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Food & Drink Wales

# Welsh Food and Drink Annual Exports Bulletin 2019

# Highlights



WELSH FOOD AND DRINK EXPORTS WERE WORTH

£565M  
IN 2019.

A £157M INCREASE  
SINCE 2014.



THE TOP DESTINATIONS FOR EXPORTS WERE

IRELAND,



FRANCE AND THE



NETHERLANDS



FOOD AND DRINK GOODS EXPORTS INCREASED BY

£26M 

BETWEEN 2018 AND '19, AN IMPROVEMENT ON THE  
£10M INCREASE BETWEEN 2017 AND '18



THE HIGHEST VALUE EXPORT CATEGORIES IN 2019 WERE MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS

(£169M)



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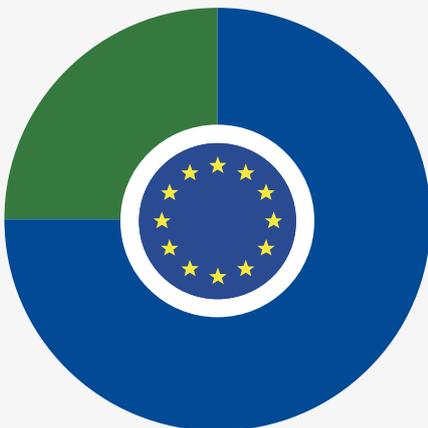
DAIRY PRODUCTS AND BIRDS' EGGS

(£132M)



75%

OF THE VALUE OF WELSH FOOD AND DRINK GOODS EXPORTS WENT TO THE EU



THE UK EXPORTED NEARLY

£24BN

WORTH OF FOOD AND DRINK IN 2019,

A 4.8% 

INCREASE FROM 2018.



WELSH EXPORTS ALSO INCREASED BY  
4.8%  
IN THE SAME PERIOD

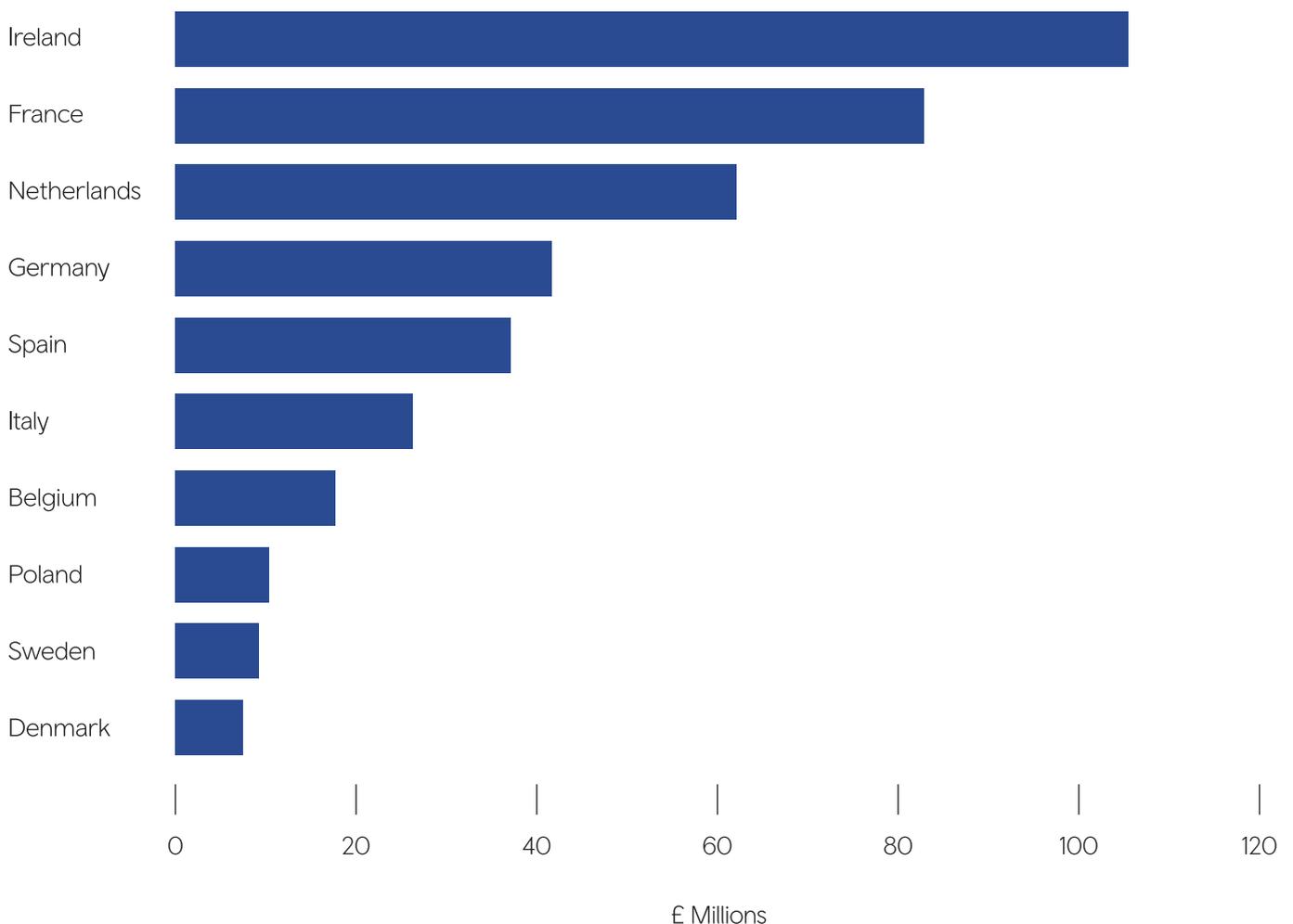
# Export destinations in the EU

Welsh exports of food and drink to countries in the EU were worth £426 million in 2019, a £32 million increase from the previous year. This represents 75% of food and drink goods exports in 2019, which is higher than the UK figure which stands at just under 60%. This shows that Welsh food and drink exports are more reliant on the EU. The Republic of Ireland continued to be the highest value destination at £105 million, making up 19% of the total figure. The other top 5 destinations for food and drink goods exports were France (£83 million), the Netherlands (£62 million), Germany (£42 million), and Spain (£37 million).

The highest value exports to EU destinations in 2019 were Meat and Meat Products (£131 million), Dairy Products and Birds Eggs (£105 million), and Cereals and Cereal Preparations (£45 million).

Across all food categories, the majority of export destinations are within the EU. Vegetables and fruit are the most dependent on EU trade, with 91% of exports (£17 million) going to destinations in the EU. Meanwhile, exports of Miscellaneous Edible Products and Preparations are the least dependent on EU exports, with only 58% of exports (£45 million) going to destinations in the EU.

## Top EU destinations for Welsh food and drink exports by value, 2019



# Export destinations outside the EU

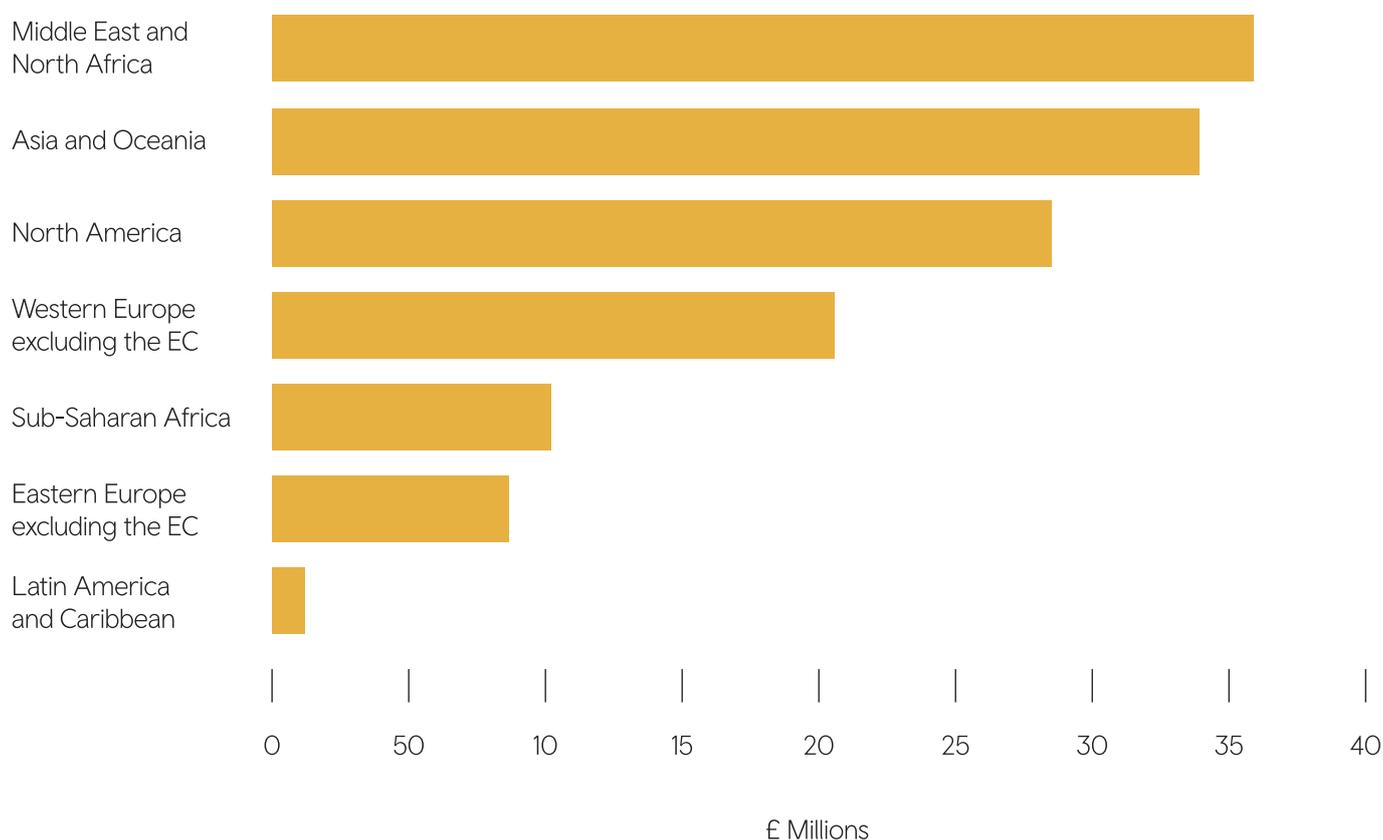
Welsh food and drink exports to destinations outside the EU were worth £139 million in 2019. This was £6 million less than in 2018, however the figure has increased by £19 million since 2017 and by £83 million since 2014. The top non-EU destinations for Welsh food and drink goods exports were the USA (£20 million), Turkey (£11 million), Australia (£9 million), Saudi Arabia (£9 million), and Canada (£8 million).

The top 3 exports to Non-EU destinations were Meat and Meat Products (£38 million),

Miscellaneous Edible Products and Preparations (£32 million), and Dairy Products & Birds Eggs (£27 million).

Between 2014 and 2019, the largest value increases in good exports to Non-EU destinations went to Turkey (+£11 million), USA (+£9 million), and Saudi Arabia (+£9 million). The largest increases between 2018 and 2019 were in Egypt (+£3 million), Jordan (+£2 million), and Russia (+£2 million).

## Value of Welsh food and drink goods exports by non-EU country group, 2019



# Beyond Brexit: Key markets for Welsh exports

## USA

The USA is an important destination for Welsh food and drink exports and is the highest value consumer market in the world. Exports to the USA were worth £20 million in 2019, up from £18 million in 2018 and £11 million in 2014. The largest value Welsh food and drink export to the USA was Miscellaneous Edible Products and Preparations. UK food and drink exports to the USA were worth £2.4 billion in 2019.



## New Zealand

Like Australia, the New Zealand market has good brand awareness of Welsh products. Welsh food and drink exports to New Zealand were worth £1 million in 2019, double the figure in 2018. Exports of animal feed were the highest value food and drink export, worth £0.9 million.



## Canada

Canada is a key route into the North American market and trade between the EU and Canada has been boosted by the CETA. Welsh food and drink goods exports to Canada were worth £8 million in 2019, a £3 million decrease from 2018. The largest value export was Cereals & Cereal Preparations, worth £5 million. UK food and drink exports to Canada were worth £346 million in 2019.



## Japan

With its ban on British red meat lifted and good opportunities for raising brand awareness, Japan is a key market for Welsh food and drink. Exports of food and drink to Japan were worth £4 million in 2019, more than double the 2017 figure. The largest exports were live animals excluding seafood (£2 million) and Dairy Products and Birds Eggs (£1 million).



## Australia

The Australian market has positive brand awareness of Welsh food and drink. Exports to Australia were worth £9 million in 2019, a £2 million increase from 2018. Miscellaneous Edible Products and Preparations were the highest value Welsh export, worth £4 million.



## Middle East

Food and drink exports to destinations in the Middle East have grown significantly since 2014. The highest value countries for Welsh food and drink exports in the Middle East were Saudi Arabia (£9 million), Jordan (£7 million), and the United Arab Emirates (£5 million).



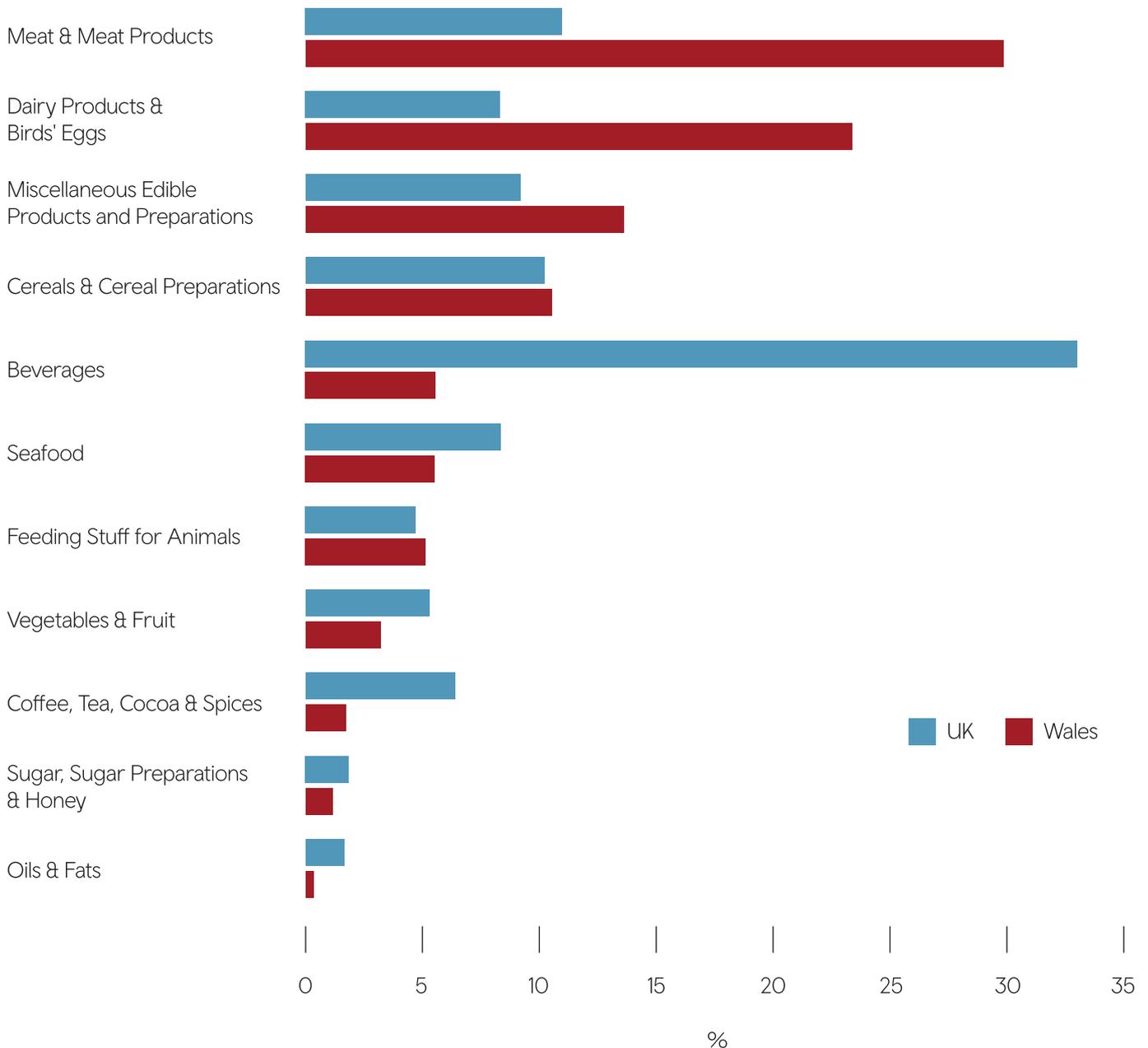
# Products exported

In 2019, the highest value Welsh food and drink goods exports were Meat and Meat Products (£169 million), Dairy Products and Birds Eggs (£132 million), and Miscellaneous Edible Products and Preparations (£77 million). The largest percent increase between 2018 and 2019 was in Beverage exports which increased by 22%, increasing from £26 million to £31 million. Exports of Cereals and Cereal Preparations saw the largest percent decrease at -28%, decreasing from £82 million to £59 million.

## Comparing UK and Wales exports

Compared to the UK, the relative contribution of individual food categories to total food and drink goods exports in Wales has a number of noticeable differences. Meat and Meat Products are the highest value food and drink export in Wales, representing 30% of total exports, while at the UK they only represent 11% of total exports. The highest value food and drink goods export at the UK level is Beverages, representing 33% of exports, while in Wales they represent only 6%.

## Proportion of food and drink exports by category, 2019 (UK and Wales)



# Annex A. Data tables

## Value of food & drink exports and total exports, Wales and the UK (£ millions), 2015–2019

| Year | Wales         |             |                  | UK            |             |               | Wales as a % of UK |             |
|------|---------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
|      | Food & Drinks | All Exports | % of Wales Total | Food & Drinks | All Exports | % of UK Total | Food & Drinks      | All Exports |
| 2015 | 404           | 13253       | 3                | 18361         | 275420      | 6.7%          | 2.2%               | 4.8%        |
| 2016 | 436           | 14630       | 3                | 20289         | 290946      | 7%            | 2.1%               | 5%          |
| 2017 | 529           | 16479       | 3.2              | 22201         | 328302      | 6.8%          | 2.4%               | 5%          |
| 2018 | 539           | 17190       | 3.1              | 22897         | 339506      | 6.7%          | 2.4%               | 5.1%        |
| 2019 | 565           | 17706       | 3.2              | 23945         | 346499      | 6.9%          | 2.4%               | 5.1%        |

Source: Welsh Government analysis of HM Revenue & Customs Regional Trade in Goods statistics

## Volume of food & drink exports and total exports, Wales and the UK (Tonnes), 2015–2019

| Year | Wales         |             |                  | UK            |             |               | Wales as a % of UK |             |
|------|---------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
|      | Food & Drinks | All Exports | % of Wales Total | Food & Drinks | All Exports | % of UK Total | Food & Drinks      | All Exports |
| 2015 | 223600        | 8525600     | 2.6%             | 14468100      | 153716000   | 9.4%          | 1.5%               | 5.5%        |
| 2016 | 203000        | 7846600     | 2.6%             | 15668200      | 154477400   | 10.1%         | 1.3%               | 5.1%        |
| 2017 | 201400        | 7515100     | 2.7%             | 13016200      | 160839100   | 8.1%          | 1.5%               | 4.7%        |
| 2018 | 228300        | 8309900     | 2.7%             | 13393300      | 160337600   | 8.4%          | 1.7%               | 5.2%        |
| 2019 | 268700        | 8581000     | 3.1%             | 15029700      | 154251500   | 9.7%          | 1.8%               | 5.6%        |

Source: Welsh Government analysis of HM Revenue & Customs Regional Trade in Goods statistics

## Value of Welsh food & drink exports by destination (£ millions), 2015–2019

| Year                            | 2015       | 2016       | 2017       | 2018       | 2019       | 2019 compared to: |               |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|
|                                 |            |            |            |            |            | 2015 % change     | 2018 % change |
| EU                              | 333        | 360        | 409        | 395        | 426        | ↑ 28%             | ↑ 8%          |
| Middle East and North Africa    | 10         | 14         | 35         | 46         | 36         | ↑ 263%            | ↓ 23%         |
| Asia and Oceania                | 19         | 20         | 25         | 33         | 34         | ↑ 82%             | ↑ 4%          |
| North America                   | 28         | 20         | 26         | 30         | 29         | ↑ 0%              | ↓ 4%          |
| Western Europe excluding the EU | 8          | 8          | 19         | 19         | 21         | ↑ 145%            | ↑ 9%          |
| Sub-Saharan Africa              | 3          | 7          | 6          | 9          | 10         | ↑ 199%            | ↑ 12%         |
| Eastern Europe excluding the EU | 2          | 6          | 7          | 6          | 9          | ↑ 380%            | ↑ 38%         |
| Latin America and the Caribbean | 1          | 1          | 1          | 2          | 1          | ↑ 116%            | ↓ 24%         |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>404</b> | <b>436</b> | <b>529</b> | <b>539</b> | <b>565</b> | <b>↑ 40</b>       | <b>↑ 5</b>    |

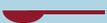
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## Percentage value of Welsh food & drink exports by destination, 2015–2019

| Year                            | 2015        | 2016        | 2017        | 2018        | 2019        |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| EU                              | 82%         | 83%         | 77%         | 73%         | 75%         |
| Middle East and North Africa    | 2%          | 3%          | 7%          | 9%          | 6%          |
| Asia and Oceania                | 5%          | 5%          | 5%          | 6%          | 6%          |
| North America                   | 7%          | 5%          | 5%          | 6%          | 5%          |
| Western Europe excluding the EU | 2%          | 2%          | 4%          | 3%          | 4%          |
| Sub-Saharan Africa              | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | 2%          | 2%          |
| Eastern Europe excluding the EU | –           | 1%          | 1%          | 1%          | 2%          |
| Latin America and the Caribbean | –           | –           | –           | –           | –           |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> |

Source: Welsh Government analysis of HM Revenue & Customs Regional Trade in Goods Statistics

## Value of Welsh food & drink exports by product (£ millions), 2015–2019

| Year   | 2015       | 2016       | 2017       | 2018       | 2019       | 2019 compared to: |               |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|
|  |            |            |            |            |            | 2015 % change     | 2018 % change |
| Meat & Meat Products                          | 94         | 122        | 147        | 142        | 169        | ↑79%              | ↑19%          |
| Dairy Products & Birds' Eggs                  | 91         | 89         | 120        | 110        | 132        | ↑46%              | ↑20%          |
| Miscellaneous Edible Products & Preparations  | 46         | 61         | 73         | 78         | 77         | ↑68%              | ↓1%           |
| Cereals and Cereal Preparation                | 61         | 56         | 67         | 82         | 59         | ↓3%               | ↓28%          |
| Seafood                                       | 25         | 27         | 32         | 31         | 31         | ↑24%              | ↑0%           |
| Beverages                                     | 39         | 32         | 29         | 26         | 31         | ↑19%              | ↑22%          |
| Feeding Stuff for Animals                   | 22         | 21         | 28         | 32         | 29         | ↑35%              | ↓10%          |
| Vegetables & Fruit                          | 6          | 7          | 8          | 16         | 18         | ↑215%             | ↑14%          |
| Coffee, Tea, Cocoa & Spices                 | 10         | 9          | 13         | 12         | 10         | ↑1%               | ↓16%          |
| Sugar, Sugar Preparations & Honey           | 10         | 9          | 8          | 9          | 7          | ↓32%              | ↓23%          |
| Oils & Fats                                 | 1          | 2          | 2          | 3          | 2          | ↑54%              | ↓23%          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>404</b> | <b>436</b> | <b>529</b> | <b>539</b> | <b>565</b> | <b>↑40%</b>       | <b>↑5%</b>    |

Source: Welsh Government analysis of HM Revenue & Custom Regional Trade Statistics

## Percentage value of Welsh food & drink exports by product, 2015–2019

| Year   |   | 2015        | 2016        | 2017        | 2018        | 2019        |
|--|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Meat & Meat Products                         |    | 23%         | 28%         | 28%         | 26%         | 30%         |
| Dairy Products & Birds' Eggs                 |    | 22%         | 20%         | 23%         | 20%         | 23%         |
| Miscellaneous Edible Products & Preparations |    | 11%         | 14%         | 14%         | 14%         | 14%         |
| Cereals and Cereal Preparation               |    | 15%         | 13%         | 13%         | 15%         | 11%         |
| Seafood                                      |    | 6%          | 6%          | 6%          | 6%          | 6%          |
| Beverages                                    |    | 10%         | 7%          | 6%          | 5%          | 6%          |
| Feeding Stuff for Animals                    |   | 5%          | 5%          | 5%          | 6%          | 5%          |
| Vegetables & Fruit                           |  | 1%          | 2%          | 1%          | 3%          | 3%          |
| Coffee, Tea, Cocoa & Spices                  |  | 2%          | 2%          | 2%          | 2%          | 2%          |
| Sugar, Sugar Preparations & Honey            |  | 2%          | 2%          | 2%          | 2%          | 1%          |
| Oils & Fats                                  |  | –           | –           | –           | –           | –           |
| <b>Total</b>                                 |   | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> |

Source: Welsh Government analysis of HM Revenue & Custom Regional Trade Statistics

## Volume of Welsh food & drink exports by product (tonnes), 2014–2018

| Year   |   | 2015           | 2016           | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2019 compared to: |               |
|--|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------|
|  |   |                |                |                |                |                | 2015 % change     | 2018 % change |
| Meat & Meat Products                         |    | 37,000         | 39,700         | 40,600         | 43,500         | 49,500         | ↑34%              | ↑14%          |
| Dairy Products & Birds' Eggs                 |    | 48,300         | 41,400         | 37,100         | 35,600         | 57,400         | ↑19%              | ↑61%          |
| Miscellaneous Edible Products & Preparations |    | 15,400         | 17,000         | 16,300         | 14,500         | 13,900         | ↓10%              | ↓4%           |
| Cereals and Cereal Preparation               |    | 24,400         | 20,500         | 25,200         | 43,700         | 60,300         | ↑147%             | ↑38%          |
| Seafood                                      |    | 8,700          | 7,300          | 9,600          | 5,500          | 7,600          | ↓13%              | ↑39%          |
| Beverages                                    |    | 41,900         | 39,100         | 36,500         | 34,500         | 42,200         | ↑1%               | ↑22%          |
| Feeding Stuff for Animals                    |  | 26,800         | 20,200         | 20,700         | 31,000         | 20,200         | ↓25%              | ↓35%          |
| Vegetables & Fruit                           |  | 4,700          | 3,900          | 3,900          | 6,700          | 8,100          | ↑75%              | ↑21%          |
| Coffee, Tea, Cocoa & Spices                  |  | 2,200          | 1,800          | 2,300          | 2,400          | 1,900          | ↓15%              | ↓21%          |
| Sugar, Sugar Preparations & Honey            |  | 13,500         | 10,800         | 8,200          | 9,900          | 6,800          | ↓50%              | ↓32%          |
| Oils & Fats                                  |  | 700            | 1,200          | 1,000          | 900            | 700            | ↑7%               | ↓19%          |
| <b>Total</b>                                 |   | <b>223,600</b> | <b>203,000</b> | <b>201,400</b> | <b>228,200</b> | <b>268,700</b> | <b>↑20%</b>       | <b>↑18%</b>   |

Source: Welsh Government analysis of HM Revenue & Custom Regional Trade Statistics

## Top 5 Welsh food & drink products by top 5 destinations (value in £ millions, volume in tonnes), 2015–2019

| Meat & Meat Products | 2015  |        | 2016  |        | 2017  |        | 2018  |        | 2019  |        |
|----------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
|                      | Value | Volume |
| France               | 26    | 7,400  | 31    | 8,500  | 32    | 7,600  | 33    | 8,400  | 39    | 9,200  |
| Ireland              | 23    | 10,100 | 25    | 10,300 | 25    | 9,600  | 24    | 8,700  | 23    | 9,400  |
| Germany              | 6     | 1,800  | 14    | 3,700  | 15    | 3,800  | 14    | 4,800  | 16    | 7,300  |
| Netherlands          | 8     | 9,900  | 9     | 4,500  | 13    | 8,400  | 12    | 10,900 | 14    | 9,700  |
| Italy                | 7     | 1,500  | 7     | 1,400  | 9     | 1,500  | 8     | 1,200  | 12    | 2,000  |

| Dairy Products and Birds' Eggs | 2015  |        | 2016  |        | 2017  |        | 2018  |        | 2019  |        |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
|                                | Value | Volume |
| Republic of Ireland            | 17    | 10,100 | 18    | 8,600  | 20    | 7,700  | 25    | 10,400 | 25    | 20,300 |
| Netherlands                    | 10    | 10,700 | 9     | 6,300  | 13    | 6,500  | 10    | 5,300  | 23    | 12,900 |
| France                         | 16    | 7,400  | 14    | 7,400  | 15    | 4,700  | 17    | 5,300  | 17    | 5,800  |
| Germany                        | 9     | 4,200  | 6     | 3,200  | 8     | 2,700  | 11    | 3,000  | 10    | 3,400  |
| Turkey                         | 1     | 200    | 1     | 200    | 6     | 600    | 6     | 600    | 8     | 600    |

| Miscellaneous Edible Products and Preparations | 2015  |        | 2016  |        | 2017  |        | 2018  |        | 2019  |        |
|--|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
|  | Value | Volume |
| USA (including Puerto Rico)                    | 4     | 200    | 7     | 400    | 8     | 200    | 12    | 300    | 11    | 300    |
| Republic of Ireland                            | 5     | 2,000  | 8     | 3,000  | 10    | 3,500  | 8     | 2,800  | 8     | 2,700  |
| Germany  | 5     | 900    | 8     | 1,600  | 9     | 1,500  | 8     | 1,400  | 8     | 1,200  |
| France   | 6     | 3,100  | 5     | 2,300  | 7     | 2,300  | 7     | 1,700  | 7     | 1,500  |
| Netherlands                                    | 5     | 900    | 5     | 1,000  | 4     | 900    | 5     | 1,300  | 5     | 1,300  |

| Cereals and Cereal Preparations | 2015  |        | 2016  |        | 2017  |        | 2018  |        | 2019  |        |
|---------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
|                                 | Value | Volume |
| Republic of Ireland             | 21    | 9,400  | 21    | 9,300  | 20    | 10,500 | 24    | 16600  | 24    | 14,900 |
| France                          | 12    | 4,800  | 10    | 3,000  | 10    | 2,700  | 10    | 2700   | 9     | 2,500  |
| Netherlands                     | 3     | 1,700  | 3     | 1,700  | 3     | 1,700  | 5     | 8400   | 5     | 13,600 |
| Canada                          | 4     | 600    | 3     | 600    | 4     | 800    | 4     | 700    | 5     | 700    |
| Spain                           | 1     | 600    | 1     | 300    | 1     | 400    | 1     | 2100   | 3     | 13,800 |

| Seafood     | 2015  |        | 2016  |        | 2017  |        | 2018  |        | 2019  |        |
|-------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
|             | Value | Volume |
| Spain       | 13    | 3,400  | 16    | 3,800  | 15    | 3,000  | 15    | 2,600  | 15    | 2,600  |
| Netherlands | 3     | 3,500  | 2     | 1,700  | 4     | 2,200  | 3     | 1,200  | 5     | 3,400  |
| France      | 3     | 900    | 3     | 800    | 4     | 2,900  | 4     | 600    | 3     | 600    |
| South Korea | 4     | 500    | 4     | 600    | 4     | 500    | 5     | 500    | 3     | 300    |
| China       | 0     | 0      | 0     | 0      | 2     | 300    | 2     | 300    | 2     | 300    |

**Value of Welsh food & drink exports by UK country / English region  
(£ millions), 2015–2019**

| Year                     | 2015          | 2016          | 2017          | 2018          | 2019          | 2019 compared to: |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
|                          |               |               |               |               |               | 2015 % change     | 2018 % change |
| Wales                    | 404           | 436           | 529           | 539           | 565           | ↑40%              | ↑5%           |
| Scotland                 | 4,747         | 5,235         | 5,726         | 5,890         | 6,269         | ↑32%              | ↑6%           |
| Northern Ireland         | 1,426         | 1,436         | 1,721         | 1,899         | 1,888         | ↑32%              | ↓1%           |
| North East               | 242           | 241           | 245           | 243           | 257           | ↑6%               | ↑5%           |
| North West               | 1,508         | 1,736         | 1,923         | 1,841         | 1,938         | ↑28%              | ↑5%           |
| Yorkshire and the Humber | 932           | 1,010         | 1,125         | 1,166         | 1,236         | ↑33%              | ↑5%           |
| East Midlands            | 855           | 927           | 951           | 993           | 1,079         | ↑26%              | ↑9%           |
| West Midlands            | 643           | 694           | 771           | 816           | 775           | ↑21%              | ↓5%           |
| East                     | 1,690         | 1,844         | 1,989         | 1,988         | 2,126         | ↑26%              | ↑7%           |
| London                   | 2,333         | 2,625         | 2,882         | 2,984         | 3,027         | ↑30%              | ↑1%           |
| South East               | 1,282         | 1,488         | 1,610         | 1,532         | 1,621         | ↑27%              | ↑6%           |
| South West               | 635           | 729           | 809           | 814           | 886           | ↑40%              | ↑9%           |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>18,363</b> | <b>20,342</b> | <b>22,280</b> | <b>22,856</b> | <b>23,945</b> | <b>↑30%</b>       | <b>↑5%</b>    |

Source: Welsh Government analysis of HM Revenue & Customs Regional Trade in Goods Statistics

## Key Quality Information

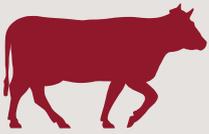
### Relevance

This bulletin contains analysis of **HMRC** (HM Revenue & Customs) Regional Trade in Goods Statistics (RTS). All figures are in British pounds at current prices, they have not been adjusted for inflation or currency exchange rates.

All data used in this briefing are for the calendar years from 1st January to 31st December. Please note that data for the most recent year are provisional and subject to revision.

**The following eleven SITC rev.4 (Standard International Trade Classification) divisions were used to give the best approximation of the whole Food & Drink Exports sector:**

**00**  
Live animals other than animals of division 03



**01**  
Meat and meat preparations  
(Divisions 00 and 01 were merged in a super-division: "Meat and meat products")



**02**  
Dairy products and birds' eggs



**03**  
Fish  
(not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof



**04**  
Cereals and cereal preparations



**05**  
Vegetables and fruit



**06**  
Sugars, sugar preparations and honey



**07**  
Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof



**08**  
Feeding stuff for animals  
(not including unmilled cereals)



**09**  
Miscellaneous edible products and preparations



**11**  
Beverages



**41**  
Animals oils and fats

**42**  
Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated

(Divisions 41 and 42 were merged in a super-division: "Oils and fats")



**NB: division 43 ("Animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes of animal or vegetable origin; inedible mixtures or preparations of animal or vegetable fats or oils, n.e.s.") was not included because it contains inedible food.**

From these 13 divisions, 11 products categories were defined, as divisions 00 and 01 were gathered together in one *Meat and meat products* category, while divisions 41 and 42 were clustered in one *Oils and fats* category.

"Non European Stores and Provisions" were included among the destination export areas to maintain consistency with what published by HMRC at national level ([www.uktradeinfo.com](http://www.uktradeinfo.com)).

### Accuracy

The data in this bulletin are the Regional Trade Statistics (RTS) published by HMRC. These statistics refer to goods that have crossed UK frontier. This means that exports from Wales to other parts of the UK are not included and there is no element included for components produced in Wales when the final product is completed in and then exported from another part of the UK. HMRC do not receive information in respect of goods that move wholly within the UK.

If a business has branches in more than one region, that business' trade is allocated to each region based on **the proportion of their total employees in that region**. This is regardless of what is being exported.