

Imports of seed for sowing by country – Calendar year 2011

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| Country | Quantity (in Metric Tonnes) | | | | Value (in USD million) | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------|
| | Field Crops | Vegetable Crops | Flower Seed | Total | Field Crops | Vegetable Crops | Flower Seed | Total |
| USA | 157,432 | 15,562 | 464 | 173,458 | 523 | 318 | 67 | 908 |
| Germany | 195,159 | 5,913 | 520 | 201,592 | 595 | 97 | 22 | 714 |
| France | 125,701 | 4,389 | 277 | 130,367 | 522 | 150 | 11 | 683 |
| Netherlands | 140,899 | 12,253 | 796 | 153,948 | 250 | 330 | 48 | 628 |
| Italy | 186,203 | 5,856 | 66 | 192,125 | 231 | 177 | 9 | 417 |
| Russian Federation | 47,221 | 3,691 | 77 | 50,989 | 312 | 70 | 5 | 387 |
| Spain | 153,174 | 6,462 | 400 | 160,036 | 185 | 195 | 4 | 384 |
| Mexico | n.a. | 1,728 | | 1,728 | 123 | 215 | | 338 |
| Ukraine | 56,495 | 463 | | 56,958 | 298 | 30 | | 328 |
| United Kingdom | 49,061 | 5,627 | 261 | 54,949 | 209 | 83 | 16 | 308 |
| China | 39,378 | 7,769 | n.a. | 47,147 | 113 | 114 | 10 | 237 |
| Canada | 50,235 | 4,050 | 888 | 55,173 | 128 | 78 | 15 | 221 |
| Japan | 40,656 | 4,793 | 175 | 45,624 | 93 | 94 | 19 | 206 |
| Belgium | 48,898 | 2,872 | 96 | 51,866 | 155 | 29 | 3 | 187 |
| Poland | 68,322 | 956 | 128 | 69,406 | 119 | 45 | 2 | 166 |
| Turkey | 21,150 | 1,844 | 2 | 22,996 | 60 | 104 | 2 | 166 |
| Romania | 48,635 | 1,540 | 421 | 50,596 | 128 | 17 | 2 | 147 |
| Hungary | 42,235 | 2,309 | 99 | 44,643 | 116 | 20 | 1 | 137 |
| Brazil | n.a. | 917 | 29 | 946 | 46 | 64 | 3 | 113 |
| Austria | 38,271 | 744 | 113 | 39,128 | 95 | 16 | 1 | 112 |
| Denmark | 55,769 | 1,057 | 26 | 56,852 | 79 | 24 | 1 | 104 |
| Korea, Republic of | 27,700 | 2,253 | 528 | 30,481 | 31 | 60 | 8 | 99 |
| Australia | 24,432 | 2,005 | 7 | 26,444 | 35 | 57 | 3 | 95 |
| Czech Republic | 15,322 | 450 | | 15,772 | 82 | 9 | | 91 |
| South Africa | 42,200 | 1,017 | | 43,217 | 60 | 29 | | 89 |
| Argentina | n.a. | 246 | | 246 | 72 | 16 | | 88 |

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| Portugal | 29,174 | 770 | | 29,944 | 50 | 31 | | 81 |
| Bulgaria | 16,960 | 1,056 | | 18,016 | 73 | 8 | | 81 |
| Morocco | 7,200 | 784 | | 7,984 | 41 | 38 | | 79 |
| Greece | 19,913 | 2,195 | | 22,108 | 47 | 27 | | 74 |
| India | n.a. | 2,023 | 5 | 2,028 | 19 | 47 | 4 | 70 |
| Slovakia | 19,866 | 59 | | 19,925 | 59 | 6 | | 65 |
| Switzerland | 8,500 | 280 | 48 | 8,828 | 45 | 15 | 2 | 62 |
| Paraguay | n.a. | 52 | | 52 | 55 | 2 | | 57 |
| Egypt | 2,200 | n.a. | | 2,200 | 19 | 35 | | 54 |
| Chile | n.a. | 262 | 8 | 270 | 24 | 22 | 1 | 47 |
| Saudi Arabia | 11,000 | 1,000 | | 12,000 | 27 | 19 | | 46 |
| Sweden | 6,424 | 865 | 489 | 7,778 | 34 | 8 | 2 | 44 |
| Serbia | 4,000 | 90 | | 4,090 | 37 | 6 | | 43 |
| Venezuela | n.a. | 132 | | 132 | 16 | 26 | | 42 |
| Pakistan | n.a. | 4,254 | | 4,254 | 18 | 23 | | 41 |
| Israel | 2,250 | 681 | | 2,931 | 12 | 29 | | 41 |
| Belarus | 4,900 | 186 | | 5,086 | 29 | 9 | | 38 |
| Colombia | n.a. | 192 | 1 | 193 | 21 | 11 | 1 | 33 |
| Ireland | 16,648 | 303 | 145 | 17,096 | 26 | 5 | 1 | 32 |
| Iran | 1,404 | 223 | | 1,627 | 18 | 13 | | 31 |
| Ecuador | n.a. | 88 | | 88 | 21 | 7 | | 28 |
| Algeria | 4,400 | 1,123 | | 5,523 | 9 | 18 | | 27 |
| Jordan | 500 | 478 | | 978 | 8 | 19 | | 27 |
| Philippines | n.a. | 743 | | 743 | 18 | 9 | | 27 |
| Finland | 4,069 | 219 | 27 | 4,315 | 14 | 10 | 1 | 25 |
| Croatia | 3,256 | 170 | | 3,426 | 19 | 6 | | 25 |

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| China, Taiwan | n.a. | 2,322 | | 2,322 | 8 | 17 | | 25 |
| China, Hong Kong | | 2,200 | 14 | 2,214 | | 24 | 1 | 25 |
| Lithuania | 4,150 | 509 | | 4,659 | 20 | 4 | | 24 |
| Kenya | 2,000 | 765 | | 2,765 | 16 | 8 | | 24 |
| Kazakhstan | 1,200 | 100 | | 1,300 | 18 | 6 | | 24 |
| Slovenia | 8,034 | 328 | | 8,362 | 16 | 6 | | 22 |
| Vietnam | 3,500 | 150 | | 3,650 | 17 | 4 | | 21 |
| Thailand | 723 | 1,000 | | 1,723 | 2 | 18 | | 20 |
| New Zealand | 472 | 416 | | 888 | 5 | 15 | | 20 |
| Uruguay | n.a. | 10 | | 10 | 18 | 2 | | 20 |
| Peru | n.a. | 105 | | 105 | 8 | 10 | | 18 |
| Moldova | 2,268 | | | 2,268 | 17 | | | 17 |
| Norway | 4,000 | 38 | | 4,038 | 9 | 7 | | 16 |
| United Arab Emirates | n.a. | 902 | | 902 | 8 | 8 | | 16 |
| Lebanon | 768 | 299 | | 1,067 | 6 | 9 | | 15 |
| Latvia | 3,755 | 396 | | 4,151 | 11 | 3 | | 14 |
| Guatemala | n.a. | 1,135 | | 1,135 | 7 | 7 | | 14 |
| Bolivia | n.a. | 22 | | 22 | 13 | 1 | | 14 |
| Syria | 252 | 160 | | 412 | 5 | 8 | | 13 |
| Uzbekistan | 725 | 256 | | 981 | 5 | 7 | | 12 |
| Luxemburg | 4,498 | | | 4,498 | 11 | | | 11 |
| Tunisia | 629 | 774 | | 1,403 | 2 | 9 | | 11 |
| Macedonia, FYR | 540 | 26 | | 566 | 5 | 5 | | 10 |
| Indonesia | n.a. | 361 | | 361 | 1 | 8 | | 9 |
| Sri Lanka | | 472 | | 472 | | 7 | | 7 |
| Senegal | 249 | 138 | | 387 | 1 | 6 | | 7 |

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| Georgia | 778 | 200 | | 978 | 4 | 2 | | 6 |
| Bosnia & Herzegovina | 769 | 197 | | 966 | 3 | 3 | | 6 |
| Costa Rica | n.a. | 188 | | 188 | 2 | 4 | | 6 |
| Panama | n.a. | 48 | | 48 | 3 | 3 | | 6 |
| Dominican Republic | | n.a. | | | | 6 | | 6 |
| Albania | 1,542 | 28 | | 1,570 | 4 | 1 | | 5 |
| Singapore | | 264 | | 264 | | 5 | | 5 |
| Honduras | | 160 | | 160 | | 5 | | 5 |
| Cyprus | 3,577 | 24 | | 3,601 | 2 | 2 | | 4 |
| Estonia | 1,833 | 65 | | 1,898 | 3 | 1 | | 4 |
| Angola | 35 | 97 | | 132 | 3 | 1 | | 4 |
| Iraq | 107 | | | 107 | 4 | | | 4 |
| Yemen | n.a. | 98 | | 98 | 2 | 2 | | 4 |
| Malaysia | | 1,432 | | 1,432 | | 3 | | 3 |
| Ethiopia | 195 | 120 | | 315 | 1 | 2 | | 3 |
| Cameroon | | 265 | | 265 | | 3 | | 3 |
| Kuwait | | 200 | | 200 | | 3 | | 3 |
| Jamaica | | 200 | | 200 | | 3 | | 3 |
| Burkina Faso | | 115 | | 115 | | 3 | | 3 |
| Tanzania | 200 | 434 | | 634 | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| Sudan | | 240 | | 240 | | 2 | | 2 |
| Ghana | | 60 | | 60 | | 2 | | 2 |
| Nicaragua | | 23 | | 23 | | 2 | | 2 |
| Iceland | 974 | | | 974 | 1 | | | 1 |
| Malta | | 160 | | 160 | | 1 | | 1 |
| Oman | | 160 | | 160 | | 1 | | 1 |

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| Mauritius | | 53 | | 53 | | 1 | | 1 |
| Haiti | | 43 | | 43 | | 1 | | 1 |
| TOTAL | 1,884,985 | 132,752 | 6,110 | 2,023,847 | 5,681 | 3,152 | 265 | 9,098 |

Notes

- Only seed imports with a value greater than USD 1 million have been reported
- Flower seed includes seed of herbaceous and non-herbaceous plants cultivated mainly for flowers
- Field crops seed includes seed of pulses, cereals, industrial crops and forages
- Vegetable crops seed includes seed of all vegetable crops
- Potato seed and mushrooms are not included



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