



Our Ref: ATIC2229

[REDACTED]
{By Email}

30 November 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information on imports from China which we received on 10 November 2020. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

“FOI request - animal products imported from China

Are you able to provide information on any animal products (specifically meat) imported to the UK from China?”

APHA wrote to you seek clarification on your request which was received on the 19 November 2020 as follows:

“Please could you provide information regarding imports (specifically of animal products i.e. meat, dairy, etc) from China between the years of 2017 – present (2020).”

The information you have requested can be found in the tables below below.

2017

Commodity Group	Number of Consignments
Animal feed	2067
By-products	322
Casings	129
Enzymes	1
Fishery products	4132
Honey	734
Poultry meat and poultry meat products	363
Prepared feathers and down	7
Products of animal origin	5
Semen	3

Waxes	23
Wool grease	57

2018

Commodity Group	Number of Consignments
Animal feed	2365
By-products	257
Casings	132
Eggs other than for hatching	11
Embryos	1
Enzymes	4
Fishery products	3806
Honey	674
Leather	1
Pearls	1
Poultry meat and poultry meat products	591
Prepared feathers and down	1
Products of animal origin	16
Semen	3
Waxes	31
Wool grease	55

2019

Commodity Group	Number of Consignments
Animal feed	2451
By-products	243
Casings	139
Eggs other than for hatching	30
Embryos	1
Enzymes	5
Fishery products	4445
Honey	624
Leather	2
Pearls	1
Poultry meat and poultry meat products	619

Prepared feathers and down	1
Products of animal origin	20
Waxes	31
Wool grease	71

2020

Commodity Group	Number of Consignments
Animal feed	2294
By-products	158
Casings	118
Eggs other than for hatching	32
Embryos	1
Enzymes	4
Fishery products	3318
Gelatine	1
Honey	544
Poultry meat and poultry meat products	464
Prepared feathers and down	6
Products of animal origin	13
Waxes	26
Wool grease	76

The information that we have provided is a true reflection of the information that we have access to. We can't guarantee the accuracy of this data, as we can only rely on the information that has been input into TRACES by a third party.

TRACES (Trade Control and Expert System) is a European Commission system employed by EU member states to facilitate and record animal/animal product movements into and throughout the EU. This data was extracted from TRACES.

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below. During the current Coronavirus outbreak, our offices will be closed.

Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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