

Trade and Investment Requirements for Zero Carbon

Technical Annex: Trade Analysis Methodology and Additional Tables

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Annex 1 – Methodology

This first annex outlines the methodology to create a UK Trade Carbon Footprint database, based primarily on UK customs declarations datasets for 2019.

This analysis is to determine the international transport element of the UK's trade carbon footprint. This analysis does not include the greenhouse gas emissions embodied in the products imported or exported. This also excludes the onward freight of internationally transported goods within either the UK or other countries. This analysis is restricted to the flow of goods - the impact of services imported or exported (e.g. the activities of the financial services in London) are not included.

The units of this methodology are generally kilometres (km), tonnes (t)¹ and tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions (tCO₂e). Carbon dioxide equivalent means the total greenhouse gas emissions, expressed in terms of carbon dioxide emissions.

The overall methodology is set out in four sections as follows:

1. Creation and validation of database from UK customs declarations;
2. Assessment of Carbon Intensity of Different Transport Modes;
3. Analysis of Distance of UK International Trade; and how these are used for
4. Analysis of UK Trade Carbon Footprint for the UK's imports and exports.

1. Creation and validation of database from UK customs declarations

Creation of Core Database

Green House downloaded the customs declarations tables for 2019 for the UK from the UK HM Revenue and Customs Statistics Unit website² on 20 February 2020 and imported these into a MariaDB³ database. This includes trade within the European Community⁴ (SMKM & SMKX tables) and all of the countries beyond the European Community (SMKI and SMKE tables), which are referred to in this report as the 'Rest of the World'. Whilst these are imported as separate tables (imports from within the EU; imports from outside the EU; exports to within the EU; and exports to outside of the EU) these have been brought together to consider overall imports and exports.

¹ Amount of goods is also expressed in thousands of tonnes (kt) and millions of tonnes (Mt)

² The UK HM Revenue and Customs Trade Statistics unit publish and host UK trade statistics data at <https://www.uktradeinfo.com/Statistics/Pages/DataDownloads.aspx>.

³ See maria <https://mariadb.com/DB>.

⁴ Trade within the European Community is that between the UK and the other 27 countries of the European Union.

These datasets categorise goods by commodity type. This is a hierarchical classification system for commodity codes. This has a high level of classification from 01 to 99 which form the first two digits of a nine digit code which breaks down in four different levels, to around 10,000 distinct commodity codes.⁵

The raw imported data downloaded for analysis includes that for each month of 2019 together with January 2020 (which included some early data corrections). Each of these tables is about 300MB as they contain one row per import/export declaration. Therefore running queries on them or using client view and filter functions (which essentially do the same thing but hide the SQL) are very slow. It is also unhelpful that EU and Rest of the World imports and exports are in different tables and use different column names for the same data. To resolve this import and export aggregation queries were used to create an overall imports table and an overall exports table. These combined the EU and Rest of the World records into a standardised set of column (field) names, with a reduced set of fields (relevant to this analysis) and groups records that were for the same commodity being moved by the same transport mode, imported or exported from the same country. This reduced the overall raw uktradeinfo data files into a manageable data set.

Database validation

The database created was validated in a number of separate steps. This included comparison of a data table downloaded from the UK HM Revenue and Customs trade statistics website⁶ with the results generated by the database created to house the uktradeinfo data. The total deviation of the database created was tested separately for EU and Rest of the World imports and exports separately, as follows:

	£	kg
Export test database – Total	199183473391	47557870883
Export test database - Difference (%)	1.07%	0.095%
Import test database – Total	277467405580	170133799231
Import test database - Difference (%)	0.66%	0.359%
EU-27 export test database - Total	168678178424	106701908526
EU-27 export test database - Difference (%)	-0.69%	0.000%
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The above validation showed a lower error for kg as opposed to £ value data. As it is the weight of goods traded that is used for this analysis this was not considered

⁵ See details of the classification system used for UK imports and exports at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/finding-commodity-codes-for-imports-or-exports>.

⁶ See <https://www.uktradeinfo.com/Statistics/BuildYourOwnTables/Pages/Table.aspx>.

significant. Spot checks suggest that this variation is most likely due to scheduled and unscheduled corrections to the uktradeinfo data, which have not been subsequently propagated to the database created and suppression of the value of a limited number of uktradeinfo declarations.

Goods Re-imported and Re-exported

Goods re-imported and re-exported are included in the uktradeinfo datasets but have not been separately analysed. This is where goods are shipped internationally for some kind of processing, only to be then shipped back again for sale. Examples of this include the practice of shipping of UK apples to South Africa to be waxed, before shipping them back before sold as UK produce⁷ or North Sea shrimps being shipped to and from Morocco for peeling⁸.

Potential overestimate of tonnage of trade

The amount of products is based on the mass of trade in kg based on the quantity field in the uktradeinfo product declarations. In almost every category of trade this is correct. There are a limited number of exceptions to this, including postal packages (commodity code 992099000), where no weight is given.

Underestimate of tonnage of trade

Some items recorded in the uktradeinfo data do not report the country, commodity code and/or the amount of product (tonnage). In other cases there are minor anomalies in the data, which do not report any change in tonnage. These anomalies were assessed for the four uktradeinfo datasets (EU imports, EU exports, rest of the world imports and rest of the world exports).

Analysis of the anomalies in the trade dataset identified an additional £10 billion of exports and £8 billion of imports. The most significant of these is a category called 'Transactions of Low Value' which may also relate to international mail. Other trade of significant value where no country and/or tonnage is identified includes arms industry related imports and exports. These items are not included in the analysis, as have items where the transport mode is categorised as 'mail'. Similarly vehicles that are driven in/out of the UK by their owners are not included in this analysis.

⁷ See Gould (2006) *Giant Strides*. Guardian, UK.

⁸ See Kasraoui, S (2020) *Morocco's COVID-19 Lockdown Sparks Peeled Shrimp Shortage in Belgium*. and *The Bulletin* (2017) *Belgium's 'fresh' North Sea shrimp are anything but, expert says*.

2. Assessment of Carbon Intensity of Different Transport Modes

The two main additions to the core database described above were metrics for the carbon intensities of different transport modes and the distances between countries, which are set out in this and the following section respectively. The way we have addressed the absence of reporting of transport mode for trade movements between the EU-27 and UK is then included in section 4. Together these enabled the carbon footprint of the trade movements to be determined.

There are many different references for the carbon intensity of international transport, both top-down estimates (based on overall fuel use) and bottom up estimates (based on the fuel efficiency of each vehicle travelled). But these are not always accurate, and little work has been done to correlate these with each other:

- **Top-down estimates.** The UK government reports annually the amount of kerosene in aviation and fuel oil used in shipping, based on refuelling in the UK. However, this does not give a clear value for air freight as the aviation total also includes passenger flights and some planes carry both passengers and freight. For shipping the total for freight transport is not necessarily accurate as it does not link to what is traded, or where it originates.⁹
- **Bottom-up estimates.** In theory the total fuel use for international freight transport could in theory be calculated from actual fuel efficiency figures for different transport mode, attributed to freight. However, the data for this was inconsistent, where it exists at all. For example, there is a real shortage of accurate data on the fuel efficiency of shipping, as noted by Halim et al (2018)¹⁰. Similarly, the mix of passengers and freight on many flights complicates the attribution of emissions to airfreight.

In the absence of recent and internationally recognised methodologies for the above and to ensure our methodology aligns to the government calculations of carbon emissions, we have chosen to base our analysis on the UK government's published carbon emission factors for freight transport (BEIS, 2019)¹¹, as set out in Table 4.1 of this Technical Annex. The way that we have applied different emission factors for different transport modes are set out in the sub-sections below.

⁹ The Committee on Climate Change (2011) *Review of Shipping Emissions*. notes that, "at the UK level bunker fuel estimates are likely to be imperfect, given that a significant amount of UK seaborne trade is transhipped via other EU ports where refuelling may take place: of the 180 million tonnes imported to the UK in 2006, around 30 million tonnes of this arrived via EU ports and 13 million tonnes were transhipped via non-EU ports."

¹⁰ Halim R.A., Kirstein, L., Merk, O. and Martinez, L.M., (2018) Decarbonization pathways for international maritime transport: A model-based policy impact assessment. *Sustainability*, 10(7), p.2243

¹¹ BEIS (2019), 'Greenhouse Gas Reporting: Conversion Factors 2019' (accessed May 2020).

Shipping emissions

Although the uktradeinfo datasets only define shipping as two transport modes: general shipping and containerised shipping. However, we have sub-divided the general shipping of different commodities (see Table 4.1) to reflect the significant variation in transport emissions associated with different types of shipping (e.g. an oil tanker emissions are significantly lower than is typical for container freight).¹² Therefore we have used the lower carbon intensity figures from BEIS (2019) for the shipment of bulk materials (e.g. grain, timber, chemicals, iron ore and coal), bulk liquids and oil tankers, compared to that for general, ferry and containerised freight. The product categories were reassigned from general shipping to specific categories of shipping as follows:

- Crude oil
- Bulk material shipments of the following:
 - Grains (excluding rice);
 - Other bulk foods (sugar, soya beans, animal feeds, palm kernels);
 - Fertilisers;
 - Ores, solid fuels (e.g. coal, coke), salt, earth, stone and sulphur;
 - Timber, woodchips, sawdust, and paper pulp;
 - Unprocessed fibres (wool, flax, hemp, cotton etc.); and
 - Metal & scrap metal (excluding stainless Steel & manufactured metal parts).
- Bulk shipment of liquids: principally chemicals, natural gas and liquid fuels but also some drinks (e.g. beer).
- Vehicle transport

These different greenhouse gas emission factors were applied for the average shipment size¹³ for each individual commodity type for each country source or destination. This means that in some cases all product movements might be classified as general shipments, whereas a number of the larger shipments should be categorised as bulk shipments. Overall this should improve the estimate of carbon intensity of shipping different product types, compared to applying a single factor to all of the different types of shipping (which would overestimate the carbon intensity of shipping crude oil, for example).

Aviation emissions

The BEIS carbon intensities are different for short haul and long haul airfreight. Long haul is defined as any airfreight with a distance greater than 3700km. In reality more

¹² BEIS (2019) emission factors for shipping are based on International Maritime Organisation (2009) Second IMO GHG Study 2009. This confirmed (paragraph 9.6) that these emissions calculations are based on the net weight of cargo containers.

¹³ At least 500 tonnes for bulk materials and 100 tonnes for bulk liquids.

goods may be short haul (i.e. have higher emissions) if they are not flown directly to/from the UK to the source/destination of imports/exports. For example, if flowers are flown from Ethiopia via the Netherlands and then on to the UK, the UK-Ethiopia distance would under-estimate the transport emissions. So this estimate of aviation freight emissions is likely to be conservative.

Road and Rail Emissions

The carbon intensities for generic freight movements from the BEIS (2019) dataset were used in both cases. The amount of road and rail was limited due to a limited breakdown of EU-wide customs declarations by transport mode (the countries with whom the UK has most international trade that is not flown or shipped), so overall carbon intensities were used in both cases.

Fixed Installations (e.g. Pipelines, Channel Tunnel) and Exceptions

Travel through the Channel Tunnel via road or rail is included in the overall estimate of road and rail transport (mainly with the EU-27, although this includes a limited amount of trade that then continues further, such as direct trains from London to China).¹⁴

The one mode of transport included in the uktradeinfo, but without a carbon intensity published by BEIS (2019) is for movement of goods by pipeline (and also electricity). However, as the only pipeline imports and exports are relatively short distance these have been excluded from the carbon footprint analysis.¹⁵

Goods where the mode of transport is not defined are considered to be shipping.

Accuracy of Transport Carbon Intensity Factors Used

The BEIS (2019) methodology does include the impact of different utilisation rates for vehicles/vessels of different size. However, as it is not product specific and as the customs declaration does not include the weight of packaging the carbon footprint of some commodities may be underestimated in two different ways: firstly where volume not tonnage governs freight utilisation and secondly where packaging is a significant element in the total weight of product shipped. In the case of bulk materials and liquids this will not have a significant impact. However, for heavily packaged items this could be significant.

Freight utilisation by volume. Our analysis does not consider the potentially higher emissions associated with shipping low-density products (e.g. insulation material or those with a low packing density) where the freight utilisation is determined by the space required rather than weight of the product traded.

¹⁴ Dunmore, D., Preti, A. and Routaboul, C., 2019. The “Belt and Road Initiative”: impacts on TEN-T and on the European transport system. *Journal of Shipping and Trade*, 4(1), p.10.

¹⁵ Oil and gas pipelines run from the Norwegian continental shelf to the East coast of England and from Bacton oil terminal in England to Zeebrugge in Belgium.

Packaging. Although the weight of a heavy-goods-vehicle or container is included in the BEIS (2019) metrics used, the weight of packaging around a product is not included in the weight of a customs declaration. For example, the weight of tinned products does not include the weight of the tin itself, and the shipment of a bottle of wine, will not include the weight of the glass bottle. The degree to which this underestimates the total shipped tonnage is not known.

3. Analysis of Distance of UK International Trade

Shipping Distances

The CERDI database has been used to determine the shipping distances for goods.¹⁶ This is set out for each country in Table 4.3. Anomalies are described after this table. This dataset has been correlated to the uktradeinfo data set, using the ISO3166 table from IBAN to convert Alpha-3 to Alpha-2 country codes to shipping distance for different countries.

Distance Anomalies

Most of the trade between the UK and countries outside of the EU is either shipped or air freight so using a shipping distance or the distance between capital cities (as that is the location for many countries airports, and overall errors are likely to balance) seems a reasonable assumption. One possible exception is France, where the location of trade (e.g. how much trade is from which ports/airports) is more significant) will make a greater difference due to the shorter overall difference to the UK. A more detailed analysis of trade movements between the UK and France would be useful in exploring this further.

Underestimate of distances travelled

The estimate of distance in the database are underestimates for four reasons as set out below: exclusion of overland distance from landlocked countries; exclusion of domestic element of international freight (in UK, and overseas); exclusion of overall transport impacts where goods are sold/purchased via an intermediate country; and exclusion of full transport impact of multi-stage supply chains.

Land-locked countries. We have only considered one transport mode for each import or export. As a result our estimates do not include the overland transport

¹⁶ See <https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/halshs-01288748v1> and <https://zenodo.org/record/240493#.XrKhpi-ZOL4>. The CERDI database also includes the road distances that need to be added on to the distance shipped for landlocked countries and capital-port distances for all countries, although this was not used in this analysis.

from landlocked countries to ports (e.g. exports by sea to Ethiopia will be to the port in Kenya, and not include road or rail transport onward to Ethiopia).

Domestic element of international freight. Also, the domestic element in the country imported from or exported to has not been included. The International Transport Forum (2015)¹⁷ estimates that the domestic leg of global supply chains account for around 10% of the tonne-km and around 30% of carbon emissions of international trade. They note that this is typically higher in countries that dominate the UK's trade (9% of tonne-km for China, 14% of tonne-km for India and 15% of tonne-km for the USA). The proportion of UK domestic freight that is moving goods imported or exported is also not included. Including these domestic transport impacts of international freight would significantly increase the overall trade carbon footprint – but unlike international shipping and aviation these amounts are already included in each country's reported territorial emissions of greenhouse gases.

In each case the origin country of goods is assumed to be the country from where it is shipped to the UK. This is not always the case. Two significant examples of where that is not the case were identified through the project: trade that involves sale/purchase at an intermediate country and multi-stage supply chains.

Sale/purchase of goods at an intermediate country. UK trade statistics only show where goods are sourced or sold to. If this includes transshipment (e.g. changing planes or ships en-route) this is included. However, if goods are sold or processed on route from their source or ultimate destination this is not reflected in the customs declarations, resulting in an under-reporting of the overall trade carbon footprint. Analysis of rose and mango imports to the UK identified roses and mangoes listed as originating in France and the Netherlands, whereas the trade shipments and commentary of those countries noted that most of these products exported to the UK were imported, then sold and then shipped on. In this case that is because we bought the goods from a Dutch or French firm, who sourced the goods themselves from their global supply chain, or in the case of flowers, bought them at an international flower auction in the Netherlands.

Multiple steps in global supply chains. Analysis of the supply chain for clothes (termed apparel in trade statistics) showed that the UK customs declaration is from where the garments were made, before shipping for consumption in the UK. However, research identified that typically this only accounts for one third of the total transport carbon footprint of textiles – as this should also include the journey from source material to make yarn and fabric, to the transport to where garments are made. Often these are made in different locations, far from each other. In some cases this is reflected in UK imports to be incorporated into products for subsequent exports, which blurs the boundaries between imports and exports, and reaffirms the decision taken to export both imports and exports, as both need to be decarbonised, and these are not only both linked to the UK economy and consumption patterns, but to each other.

¹⁷ The International Transport Forum (2015) The Carbon Footprint of Global Trade: Tackling Emissions from International Freight Transport.

4. Analysis of UK Trade Carbon Footprint for UK Imports and Exports

The above elements combine to form a new database that enables data to be manipulated and analysed to determine the trade transport carbon footprint for UK trade (imports and exports).

This section discusses three final aspects of this data analysis:

- Firstly, how the transport carbon footprint for trade between the UK and European Community (EU-27) was calculated;
- Secondly, how the database was used; and
- Thirdly, a recommendation for benchmarking of the results, which should help to determine the extent to which the constraints and limitations discussed above under-estimate the carbon footprint of the UK's trade.

Calculation of carbon footprint of trade between UK and the EU-27

The uktradeinfo dataset does not include the mode of transport for most trade within the European Community (i.e. between the UK and the other 27 EU countries). However, the overall trade carbon footprint for UK-EU trade was still able to be determined using additional data from the Eurostat COMEXT database. While the trade declaration for trade between the EU-27 and the UK is broken down by level 1 (i.e. 1-99) commodity code¹⁸, because of variation of how these COMEXT statistics are recorded between different EU countries it does not include all types of trade with all countries (around 20 of the 27 EU countries made significant trade declarations within COMEXT) so this dataset does not directly correlate with the individual records in the uktradeinfo dataset.

Declarations for EU country trade with the UK from COMEXT database were used to calculate average T-km modal splits (see below) using the sum of all custom declaration records for 2019 and the same direct distances to the UK used for the uktradeinfo analysis.

Total-tkm	Sea-tkm	Road-tkm	Railway-tkm	Fixed-tkm	Air-tkm
100.00%	85.67%	9.56%	0.65%	0.00%	0.34%

These modal splits were used to apportion the total EU t-km (based on direct km to UK, as used above) between the different transport modes. The same modal splits were used for imports and for exports. The same CO₂e intensities by transport mode as applied to uktradeinfo records were then applied to these resulting t-km at a total

¹⁸ See Table 4.2 of Annex 2.

EU imports and EU exports level. This most likely underestimates the overall carbon footprint as the shipping t-km distances between many countries and the UK are significantly longer than direct distances.

Therefore, for the purpose of contrasting trade of different commodity types, we have allocated 'general shipping' as the mode of transport for all EU trade, except where this is identified otherwise in the uktradeinfo dataset. Whilst this is correct for 85% of trade with the EU (the amount of tonne-km shipped – see above) this is a conservative assumption – and means that a breakdown of the carbon footprint of UK trade with the EU-27 by either commodity group or individual commodity is not possible. This use of 'general shipping' for all UK-EU trade under-estimates the emissions of trade transported by road, rail and air between the UK and EU-27 (in line with the table above). As a result some individual trade carbon footprint estimates are under-reported, and will actually have much higher carbon intensities than analysed. This assumption means that the trade carbon footprint used for assessment of individual commodity groups and commodities under-estimates the carbon footprint of UK-EU trade by a factor of 2, compared to the total calculated and reported in the overall analysis.

Overall trade analysis

This database was accessed using *Sequel Ace*. Query caching was enabled in *MariaDB*, to speed up the database queries. The database was interrogated in different ways to analyse different aspects of the UK's trade carbon footprint. This includes analysis by country and by commodity type. The overall commodity code categories (1-99) have been reduced to a shorter number of overall groups as set out in Table 4.2 of this Technical Annex and Table 1 of the main report.

Benchmarking to UK government and Committee on Climate Change estimates

This analysis of the carbon footprint of the UK's international trade is likely to be slightly lower than the actual carbon footprint as it excludes trades where no customs declaration is made, packaging (which could be significant for some goods, such as wine) and mail. However, it is also dependant on accuracy of the UK's carbon intensity figures used, which have not recently been benchmarked against actual fuel used by different transport modes (see Table 4.1 in Annex 2 below). Further work is needed to review and confirm these metrics, particularly for shipping for which there is shortage of recent information on fuel efficiency.¹⁹ However, these estimates are comparable for other recent work as noted below.

The trade carbon footprint for total shipping imports and exports (excluding

¹⁹ Halim, R.A., Kirstein, L., Merk, O. and Martinez, L.M., 2018. Decarbonization pathways for international maritime transport: A model-based policy impact assessment. *Sustainability*, 10(7), p.2243

embodied carbon) is estimated here as 14.5 MtCO₂e for imports and 6.8 MtCO₂e for exports: a total of 21.3 MtCO₂e. This appears consistent with earlier estimates by the UK's Committee on Climate Change (2011)²⁰, whose analysis was based on the UK considering itself responsible for all of the shipping emissions involved in the transfer of cargos between the UK and its trading partners, as in the range of 12-29 MtCO₂ for 2006, higher than the value for bunker fuels (then reported as around 10MtCO₂). But both this analysis and the earlier estimates by the CCC for international shipping are significantly higher than the latest figures reported as part of the UK annual greenhouse gas emission accounts. The 2018 total reported by the UK government for international shipping of 7.9 MtCO₂e (down 0.2% from 2017, and claiming a fall of 17% from 1990 levels) was based on UK bunker fuels, so better represents the fuel use of our exports than our imports.²¹

The trade carbon footprint for total airfreight imports and exports (excluding embodied carbon) is estimated here as 6.5 MtCO₂e for imports and 4.8 MtCO₂e for exports: a total of 11.3 MtCO₂e. While a separate figure for aviation freight and passenger freight is not published this appears relatively consistent with the scale of the UK's total aviation carbon footprint, which in 2018 (including both passengers and freight) was 36.7 MtCO₂e.²² This is calculated based on departing flights, with a methodology that considers bunker fuel sales for departing flights, based on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's reporting guidelines.²³

Therefore, this analysis of the carbon footprint of UK international's trade highlights the need for up-to-date and accurate estimates for international shipping, airfreight and land transport of freight by the UK government so the current emissions can be tracked and enforced, alongside the 'embodied emissions' of the goods traded.²⁴

This would support, further to the recommendations set out in the main report for Policies and a wider governance framework to address the scale and complexity of decarbonising the UK's international trade.

Final Note

If you are interested in detailed breakdowns for certain commodity codes or countries, or have a specific query regarding the database created and this analysis we maybe be able to provide additional information on request. Please feel free to contact us at info@greenhousethinktank.org.

²⁰ Committee on Climate Change (2011) Review of UK Shipping Emissions.

²¹ As reported by Committee on Climate Change (2020) Reducing UK Emissions: 2020 Progress Report to Parliament. Excludes naval vessels.

²² As reported by Committee on Climate Change (2020) Reducing UK Emissions: 2020 Progress Report to Parliament. Excludes military aviation.

²³ Thanks to details from Airport Environment Federation (aef.org.uk). See https://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/public/2006gl/pdf/2_Volume2/V2_3_Ch3_Mobile_Combustion.pdf

²⁴ This need to harmonise reporting of consumption-based carbon emissions and link this to country-level reduction targets is made by Climate Works and Sum of Us (2018) Closing Europe's Carbon Loophole in Climate Policy. However, it is important that at the same time the carbon footprint associated with the transport of trade is also reported and reduced.

Annex 2. UK Trade Analysis and Carbon Footprint Tables.

This second annex includes a wider set of tables to complement the analysis and results presented in the main Trade and Investment Requirements of Zero Carbon report.

These present more details of the overall breakdown of import and export emissions (broken down by SITC code), as well as key summary tables showing the top-ten product categories and products by carbon emissions (overall and for air freight) together with tables setting out the value, tonnage and carbon emissions for the UK's top-ten countries of goods import and export in 2019. The final tables included in section 4 of this annex complement the methodology included as Annex 2.

The tables presented in this section are as follows:

1. Overall UK Trade Analysis and Carbon Footprint Summary
2. Key Summary Tables showing highest carbon footprint product categories and products (overall and air freight only)
3. Breakdown of UK Trade Carbon Footprint, Tonnage and Value by Region and Country
4. Tables that relate to the Methodology – the carbon intensity of transport modes, grouping of commodity codes, countries and distances.

1. Overall UK Trade Analysis and Carbon Footprint Summary

This is included separately for trade with the other 27 countries in the European Community (referred to as EU) and the Rest of the World. For the Rest of the World the UK publishes more details in the trade customs declaration (including mode of transport), whereas for the EU only a modal split for tonnes and tonne-km of UK-EU trade was obtained.

1.1 Breakdown of UK Import Customs Declarations with all countries for 2019 by Commodity Type

GROUP		Tonnes	GBP-£m	Total Number of Customs Declarations
A	Food – Animal	3,568,932	£10,227m	66,256
E	Food – Plant	17,744,793	£14,197m	139,113
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	14,816,310	£22,734m	188,524
B	Biomass Fuels	9,338,708	£1,406m	2,775
F	Fossil Fuels	126,208,546	£42,843m	10,337
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	8,304,728	£4,839m	31,381
O	Ores	7,942,616	£1,270m	814
S	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores)	9,474,592	£620m	13,817
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	11,942,577	£11,086m	133,694
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	10,484,441	£59,314m	784,172
H	Manufactured – Machinery	3,671,118	£62,298m	565,162
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	23,625,476	£143,437m	925,302
V	Manufactured – Vehicles	6,743,013	£68,840m	113,065
C	Chemicals	17,159,865	£47,531m	259,933
T	Textiles	2,922,471	£33,460m	834,191
W	Wastes	8,859,215	£4,394m	18,868
Z	Other	86,293	£11,493m	18,894
TOTAL		282,893,694	£539,988m	4,106,298

1.2 Breakdown of UK Export Customs Declarations with all countries for 2019 by Commodity Type

	GROUP	Tonnes	GBP-£m	Total Number of Custom Declarations
A	Food - Animal	3,079,610	£6,199m	82,221
E	Food - Plant	5,538,827	£2,755m	121,145
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	5,513,967	£14,463m	292,997
B	Biomass Fuels	344,670	£24m	2,353
F	Fossil Fuels	78,838,786	£30,821m	20,381
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	720,359	£440m	16,099
O	Ores	34,705	£26m	726
S	Stone & Minerals (excl metal ores)	9,490,453	£446m	16,637
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	1,924,688	£4,381m	142,976
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	2,584,733	£26,755m	786,761
H	Manufactured - Machinery	2,833,365	£55,989m	824,692
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	10,460,145	£80,294m	1,145,172
V	Manufactured - Vehicles	3,569,349	£55,230m	191,241
C	Chemicals	8,879,096	£46,852m	476,008
T	Textiles	1,188,319	£12,811m	828,657
W	Wastes	16,222,019	£6,499m	42,437
Z	Other	647,839	£19,569m	23,289
TOTAL		151,870,930	£363,553m	5,013,792

1.3 Breakdown of UK Imports from EU-27 for 2019 by Commodity Type

GROUP		Total-Tonnes	Total-Tkm	GBP
A	Food – Animal	3,081,312	3,079,657,366	£7,994,019,427
B	Biomass Fuels	1,886,969	1,310,490,480	£274,329,852
C	Chemicals	12,597,587	12,662,601,297	£36,695,791,791
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	6,295,208	6,634,745,744	£7,106,909,133
E	Food – Plant	8,863,240	10,115,889,662	£7,661,339,133
F	Fossil Fuels	18,493,413	17,564,549,914	£7,291,765,632
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	5,358,306	5,791,345,129	£26,082,330,148
H	Manufactured – Machinery	2,189,051	2,358,562,347	£32,601,027,619
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	11,976,787	12,880,965,708	£18,040,055,482
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	6,617,285	6,314,702,117	£3,559,524,802
O	Ores	1,512,514	2,047,099,357	£505,139,401
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	15,927,847	16,984,768,012	£49,426,375,851
S	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores)	4,771,029	5,191,695,831	£305,299,428
T	Textiles	843,137	919,297,254	£13,338,276,055
V	Manufactured – Vehicles	5,391,845	5,869,282,690	£55,297,693,334
W	Wastes	4,529,659	4,121,770,386	£2,422,811,966
Z	Other	50,087	41,865,643	£1,710,562,586
TOTAL		110,385,275	113,889,289,228	£271,370,216,846

1.4 Breakdown of UK Exports to EU-27 for 2019 by Commodity Type

	GROUP	Total-Tonnes	Total-Tkm	GBP
A	Food – Animal	2,468,027	1,755,632,156	£4,367,088,327
B	Biomass Fuels	281,390	334,184,564	£16,787,306
C	Chemicals	6,783,498	6,557,689,185	£22,122,369,201
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	1,538,336	1,077,050,221	£2,640,914,559
E	Food – Plant	4,725,942	4,888,692,888	£2,178,034,936
F	Fossil Fuels	56,820,728	48,616,783,990	£21,878,055,862
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	1,935,389	1,729,927,562	£15,037,833,576
H	Manufactured – Machinery	1,754,894	2,040,876,753	£21,449,616,777
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	3,618,780	3,248,188,233	£7,486,801,214
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	637,447	362,419,265	£329,769,911
O	Ores	25,481	35,549,805	£17,923,880
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	7,931,074	8,553,506,457	£28,230,832,888
S	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores)	8,834,969	7,047,366,620	£276,761,142
T	Textiles	678,062	855,577,462	£9,112,440,374
V	Manufactured – Vehicles	2,044,126	2,399,878,138	£27,300,270,294
W	Wastes	4,225,785	4,979,977,220	£2,519,635,830
Z	Other	26,556	33,670,530	£871,476,948
	TOTAL	104,330,487	94,516,971,084	£165,977,432,477

1.5 Breakdown of UK International Trade by Transport Mode.

Imports/ Exports	Shipping		Road		Rail		Air		Total (all modes)
CO ₂ e emissions	Tonnes	%	Tonnes	%	Tonnes	%	Tonnes	%	
EU imports	1,253,309	40%	1,389,462	45%	24,517	1%	428,936	14%	3,096,224
Rest of World imports	13,282,657	66%	214,868	1%	68	0%	6,256,663	31%	20,039,563
Total imports	14,535,966	63%	1,604,330	7%	24,585	0.1%	6,685,599	29%	23,135,787
EU exports	1,067,634	40%	1,183,616	45%	20,885	1%	365,390	14%	2,637,525
Rest of World exports	5,704,548	54%	208,148	2%	12,262	0%	4,661,529	44%	10,586,487
Total exports	6,772,182	51%	1,391,764	11%	33,147	0.3%	5,026,919	38%	13,224,012
Grand total	21,308,148	59%	2,996,094	8%	57,732	0.2%	11,712,518	32%	36,359,799

Note. The total CO₂ emissions for (all modes) is the sum of international shipping, air, road and rail transport and goods where the mode of transport is not defined (which is assumed to be shipping, but not included in the shipping total).

1.6 Breakdown of UK Imports from Rest of the World for 2019 by Commodity Type

1.6.1 Breakdown of UK Imports from Rest of the World for 2019 by Commodity Type - Carbon Footprint

GROUP		Total -tCO ₂ e	Sea -tCO ₂ e	Road-tCO ₂ e	Rail-tCO ₂ e	Air-tCO ₂ e
A	Food - Animal	255902	81,025	4,037	0	165,786
B	Biomass Fuels	631,206	630,738	355	0	105
C	Chemicals	793,918	429,535	5,079	0	344,836
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	653,069	514,750	8,149	0	124,524
E	Food - Plant	2,416,073	1,093,772	65,790	27	1,239,862
F	Fossil Fuels	4,986,814	4,978,170	123	0	4,122
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	2,167,321	1,166,695	21,158	0	947,209
H	Manufactured - Machinery	1,030,241	313,399	10,424	0	697,666
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	628,740	465,026	13,504	0	98,236
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	436,611	211,109	3,015	0	179,969
O	Ores	579,879	578,758	97	0	379
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	2,524,766	1,225,643	43,021	2	1,219,233
S	Stone & Minerals (excl metal ores)	219,581	214,984	117	0	4,458
T	Textiles	1,482,326	411,291	27,267	25	1,024,777
V	Manufactured - Vehicles	515,369	279,081	8,107	9	185,410
W	Wastes	701,417	683,060	3,236	0	10,935
Z	Other	16,331	5,621	1,388	5	9,156
TOTAL		20,039,563	13,282,657	214,868	68	6,256,663

1.6.2 Breakdown of UK Imports from Rest of the World for 2019 by Commodity Type - Tonnes

	GROUP	Total-Tonnes	Tonnes Shipped	Tonnes by Road	Tonnes by Rail	Tonnes by Pipeline	Tonnes by Air
A	Food – Animal	482,558	411,784	9,490	0	0	14,821
B	Biomass Fuels	7,451,739	7,450,569	1,084	0	0	13
C	Chemicals	4,067,201	3,863,667	16,466	0	0	40,463
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	2,514,514	2,418,080	20,984	0	0	14,410
E	Food – Plant	8,881,552	8,430,016	138,731	101	0	146,626
F	Fossil Fuels	107,715,134	81,397,671	190	0	26,264,905	521
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	5,126,136	4,646,687	61,601	0	0	108,713
H	Manufactured – Machinery	1,482,074	1,293,999	24,675	0	0	79,575
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	2,839,521	2,430,157	39,600	0	0	10,346
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	1,687,449	1,277,833	8,639	0	0	20,818
O	Ores	6,430,104	6,425,032	50	0	0	43
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	7,673,855	7,006,513	109,004	7	0	139,479
S	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores)	4,703,565	4,702,585	220	0	0	536
T	Textiles	2,079,324	1,714,898	58,336	122	0	116,452
V	Manufactured – Vehicles	1,351,162	909,233	18,340	35	0	21,524
W	Wastes	4,329,471	4,266,071	7,898	0	0	1,330
Z	Other	36,205	29,330	1,375	20	0	1,080
	TOTAL	168,851,564	138,674,124	516,682	285	26,264,905	716,751

1.6.3 Breakdown of UK Imports from Rest of the World for 2019 by Commodity Type - Value (£)

GROUP		£ Total	£ Shipped	£ by Road	£ by Rail	£ by Pipeline	£ by Air
A	Food – Animal	£2,216,740,109	£1,782,925,831	£63,055,235	£0	£0	197,154,271
B	Biomass Fuels	£1,131,322,222	£1,130,899,643	£315,706	£0	£0	59,964
C	Chemicals	£10,702,496,351	£5,655,987,004	£743,529,908	£5,430	£0	3,949,496,237
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	£3,794,020,887	£3,218,651,146	£71,839,159	£0	£0	363,229,568
E	Food – Plant	£6,535,820,537	£5,664,528,255	£194,812,208	£188,356	£0	542,431,805
F	Fossil Fuels	£35,551,733,000	£29,228,588,139	£326,991	£0	£6,298,774,863	3,522,739
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	£33,228,782,196	£17,237,139,063	£368,968,836	£49,381	£0	10,482,432,975
H	Manufactured – Machinery	£29,456,597,461	£9,654,688,113	£726,406,672	£2,923	£0	15,261,068,457
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	£4,693,802,845	£3,760,389,374	£122,175,599	£0	£0	116,782,865
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	£1,279,470,699	£913,130,262	£14,903,369	£0	£0	110,236,753
O	Ores	£764,580,310	£704,603,280	£76,865	£0	£0	50,987,787
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	£93,780,129,848	£16,935,109,428	£1,010,912,555	£121,926	£0	73,179,743,481
S	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores)	£314,203,842	£309,785,299	£335,509	£0	£0	3,892,149
T	Textiles	£20,121,314,781	£14,353,479,426	£875,556,785	£1,315,511	£0	2,590,758,285
V	Manufactured – Vehicles	£13,298,183,892	£6,421,318,699	£251,908,542	£6,188,849	£0	2,307,145,895
W	Wastes	£1,970,755,026	£1,586,036,610	£33,426,205	£0	£0	294,544,644
Z	Other	£3,496,115,276	£256,687,775	£318,010,426	£85,472	£0	1,180,536,491
TOTAL		£262,336,069,282	£118,813,947,347	£4,796,560,570	£7,957,848	£6,298,774,863	£110,634,024,366

1.7 Breakdown of UK Exports with Rest of the World for 2019 by Commodity Type

1.7.1 Breakdown of UK Exports with Rest of the World for 2019 by Commodity Type - Carbon Footprint

GROUP		Total tCO2e	tCO2e Shipped	tCO2e - Road	tCO2e - Rail	tCO2e - Air
A	Food – Animal	757,867	112,053	3,692	0	642,122
B	Biomass Fuels	5,110	5,089	6	0	16
C	Chemicals	845,510	292,920	37,240	1	515,349
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	183,559	57,036	6,539	0	119,984
E	Food – Plant	110,642	60,082	1,643	0	48,917
F	Fossil Fuels	1,890,145	1,883,786	1,035	0	5,323
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	843,068	84,093	12,550	0	746,425
H	Manufactured – Machinery	904,969	135,789	51,194	2	717,984
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	604,995	345,991	20,883	22	238,100
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	28,167	12,435	782	0	14,950
O	Ores	1,633	1,481	44	0	108
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	1,362,192	356,958	40,632	660	963,942
S	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores)	75,689	68,639	2,054	1	4,995
T	Textiles	440,890	73,693	16,206	0	350,990
V	Manufactured – Vehicles	851,120	576,972	10,258	0	263,890
W	Wastes	1,660,337	1,635,092	3,002	11,576	10,667
Z	Other	20,595	2,438	390	0	17,767
TOTAL		10,586,487	5,704,548	208,148	12,262	4,661,529

1.7.2 Breakdown of UK Exports with Rest of the World for 2019 by Commodity Type Tonnes

GROUP		Total-Tonnes	Tonnes Shipped	Tonnes by Road	Tonnes by Rail	Tonnes by Pipeline	Tonnes by Air
A	Food – Animal	611,594	523,217	10,675	0	0	77,527
B	Biomass Fuels	63,279	63,240	16	0	0	2
C	Chemicals	2,088,027	1,941,049	88,043	9	0	58,925
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	386,352	356,728	15,676	0	0	13,946
E	Food – Plant	812,896	800,657	5,791	0	0	6,292
F	Fossil Fuels	22,018,063	22,014,997	2,399	0	0	663
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	649,354	536,458	31,851	1	0	80,660
H	Manufactured – Machinery	1,078,451	879,632	116,058	8	0	82,753
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	1,895,183	1,820,289	48,109	89	0	26,641
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	82,907	78,903	2,208	0	0	1,793
O	Ores	9,225	9,062	150	0	0	13
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	2,491,472	2,263,897	100,243	15,841	0	111,484
S	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores)	643,547	637,599	5,316	22	0	611
T	Textiles	510,259	424,523	47,006	0	0	38,712
V	Manufactured – Vehicles	1,525,223	1,468,315	22,678	1	0	31,202
W	Wastes	11,996,228	11,878,769	13,620	102,658	0	1,171
Z	Other	621,282	25,018	937	0	0	2,419
	TOTAL	47,483,343	45,722,354	510,774	118,629	0	534,813

1.7.3 Breakdown of UK Exports with Rest of the World for 2019 by Commodity Type Value (£)

GROUP		£ Total	£ Shipped	£ by Road	£ by Rail	£ by Pipeline	£ by Air
A	Food – Animal	£1,831,459,157	£932,757,608	£104,546,624	£1,247	£0	793,246,963
B	Biomass Fuels	£6,986,644	£6,863,699	£36,421	£0	£0	65,901
C	Chemicals	£24,444,215,653	£7,691,627,054	£1,349,429,219	£22,023	£0	15,403,130,164
D	Manufactured - Construction Materials	£1,740,087,002	£1,179,384,559	£92,005,148	£0	£0	468,694,592
E	Food – Plant	£576,772,807	£506,162,592	£17,995,721	£0	£0	52,393,526
F	Fossil Fuels	£8,942,902,955	£8,929,171,749	£5,588,378	£1,612	£0	8,119,871
G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods	£11,714,225,712	£2,824,205,183	£405,570,167	£18,297	£0	8,467,753,452
H	Manufactured – Machinery	£34,245,650,526	£12,228,327,062	£2,003,621,620	£335,056	£0	20,013,363,089
M	Food - Processed/Manufactured	£6,975,881,151	£6,198,046,561	£191,432,819	£215,999	£0	585,961,695
N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers	£109,757,391	£85,193,266	£3,345,781	£0	£0	21,218,320
O	Ores	£8,141,816	£7,707,551	£323,850	£0	£0	110,415
P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts	£51,620,406,345	£8,977,232,566	£1,014,702,854	£27,393,661	£0	41,600,776,010
S	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores)	£165,531,019	£155,986,336	£4,141,290	£1,079	£0	5,402,314
T	Textiles	£3,698,429,490	£1,002,022,340	£259,544,016	£0	£0	2,436,646,789
V	Manufactured – Vehicles	£27,700,435,282	£21,370,207,183	£508,020,956	£26,677	£0	5,306,655,820
W	Wastes	£3,979,052,570	£3,806,645,586	£25,052,709	£21,818,158	£0	125,448,362
Z	Other	£10,640,954,043	£731,390,159	£2,576,337,962	£0	£0	6,451,318,299
TOTAL		£188,400,889,563	£76,632,931,054	£8,561,695,535	£49,833,809	£0	£101,740,305,582

2. Key Summary Tables showing highest carbon footprint imports and exports by product type (overall and air freight only)

2.1 Top 10 Overall Commodities Imported by Carbon Footprint

Commodity type (summary, commodity code)	Carbon Footprint ktCO ₂ e
Jet fuel, kerosene type – 271019210	1194
Natural gas, liquefied – 271111000	1052
Gas oils of petroleum or bituminous minerals, (excluding biodiesel, and for undergoing chemical transformation) – 271019430	961
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude (excluding natural gas condensates) – 270900900	957
Wood pellets – 440131000	629
Non-agglomerated iron ores and concentrates (excluding roasted iron pyrites) – 260111000	529
Soya bean oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soya-bean oil – 230400000	279
Coking coal, whether or not pulverised, non-agglomerated – 270112100	242
Bituminous coal, whether or not pulverised, non-agglomerated (excl. coking) – 270112900	188
Fresh or dried guavas, mangoes and mangosteens – 80450000	163

2.2 Top 10 Overall Commodities Exported by Carbon Footprint

Commodity type (summary, commodity code)	Carbon Footprint ktCO ₂ e
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude (excl. natural gas condensates) – 270900900	1521
Motor spirit (excluding biodiesel) – 271012410	431
Recovered "waste and scrap" unbleached paper and cardboard – 470710000	394
Fresh or chilled salmon – 30214000	335
Waste and scrap of iron or steel, not fragmentised "shredded", not in bundles (not alloys etc.) – 720449900	302
Printed matter (e.g. books) - excludes advertising – 490199000	287
Motor cars and other motor vehicles – 870323190	206
Waste and scrap of iron or steel, fragmentised "shredded" (not alloys etc.) – 720449100	159
Sorted, recovered "waste and scrap" paper or paperboard -470790900	121
Waste and scrap of alloy steel (excl. stainless steel, scrap) – 720429000	113

2.3 Top 10 Air Freight Commodity Types Imported and Exported by Carbon Footprint (Air freight carbon footprint only)

Commodity Description	Import or Export	Carbon Footprint ktCO ₂ e
Fresh or chilled salmon – 30214000	Exports	334
Printed matter (e.g. books) - excluding advertising - 490199000	Exports	278
Fresh or chilled beans (Vigna and Phaseolus) - 70820000	Import	161
Fresh or dried guavas, mangoes and mangosteens - 80450000	Import	156
Printed matter (e.g. books) - excluding advertising - 490199000	Import	134
Fresh or chilled asparagus - 70920000	Import	109
Fresh cut roses and buds – 60311000	Import	103
Fresh or chilled vegetables n.e.s. - 70999900	Import	98
Machines for the reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, incl. switching and routing apparatus (excl. telephones) - 851762000	Import	85
Diesel internal combustion engine parts, n.e.s.- 840999000	Import	84

2.4 Top 10 Commodity Categories Imported and Exported by Air Freight by Carbon Footprint (Air freight carbon footprint only)

Commodity Category	Import/ Export	Carbon Footprint ktCO ₂ e
Machinery – including nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances	Import	796
Machinery – including nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances	Exports	749
Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers	Import	736
Electrical machinery and equipment and parts	Import	716
Fish and Crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic vertebrates	Exports	533
Edible fruit and nuts, peel of citrus and melons	Import	449
Printed books, newspapers, pictures etc.	Exports	376
Clothing (knitted)	Import	375
Electrical machinery and equipment and parts	Exports	371
Clothing (not knitted)	Import	317

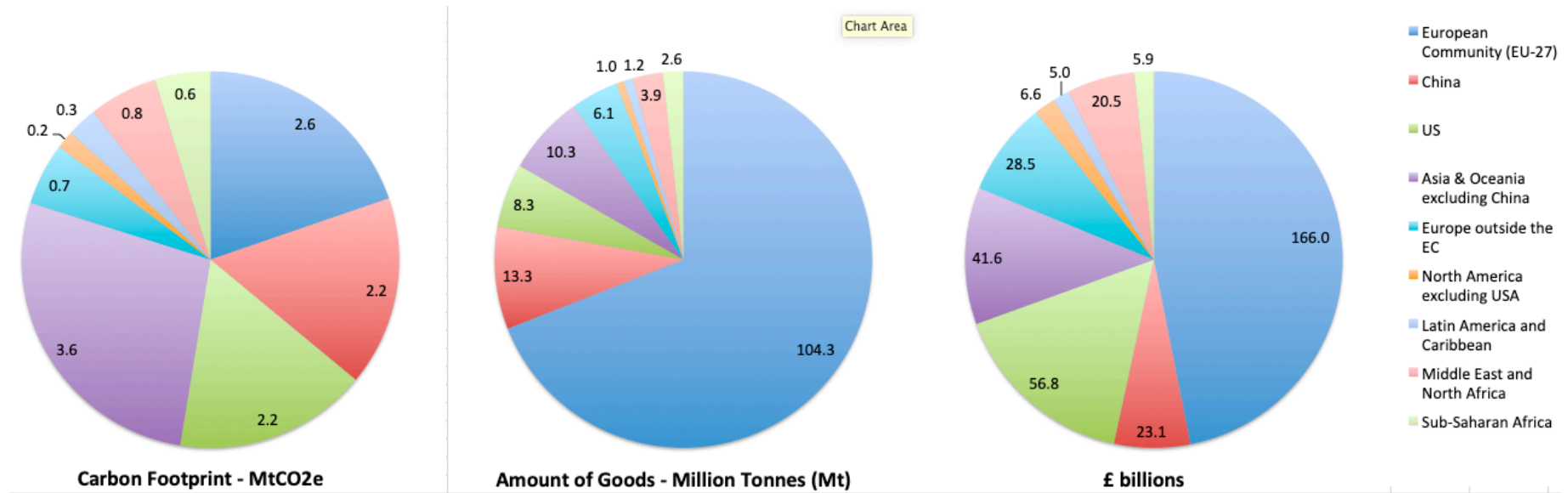
3. Breakdown of UK Trade Carbon Footprint, Tonnage and Value by Region and Country

These tables exclude customs trade that is recorded in uktradeinfo as NULL (no country given) and excludes stores and provisions.

3.1 Regional Breakdown of Imports by Carbon Footprint, Tonnage and Value



3.2 Regional Breakdown of Exports by Carbon Footprint, Tonnage and Value



3.3 Top 10 Countries of Import and Export by Carbon Footprint (Mt CO₂e)

3.3.1 Imports

No.	Country	MtCO ₂ e
1	China	4.2
2	EU (1)	3.1
	United States	3.1
3	India	1.3
4	France	1.2
5	Russia	1.1
6	Qatar	0.9
7	Brazil	0.7
8	Turkey	0.5
9	Japan	0.5
10	South Africa	0.5
	Total	23.2

Note 1. The overall value for the EU is shown as accurate breakdown of carbon emissions were not possible due to limited breakdown of transport mode in Eurostat data.

3.3.2 Exports

No.	Country	MtCO ₂ e
1	EU	2.6
2	United States	2.2
3	China	2.2
4	India	0.6
5	Australia	0.5
6	Turkey	0.4
7	Japan	0.3
8	Hong Kong	0.3
9	South Korea	0.3
10	United Arab Emirates	0.3
	Total	13.2

Note 1. The overall value for the EU is shown as accurate breakdown of carbon emissions were not possible due to limited breakdown of transport mode in Eurostat data.

3.4 Top 10 Countries of Import and Export by Tonnage (Mt)

3.4.1 Imports

No.	Country	Mt
1	France	81.0
2	Norway (1)	50.5
3	United States	25.6
4	Netherlands	18.3
5	Russia	16.0
6	China	9.2
7	Qatar	7.1
8	Canada	6.5
9	Germany	5.8
10	Algeria	5.3
	EU-27 total	110.4
	Total	279.2

Note 1. Includes fossil fuels imported via pipeline from the Norwegian Continental Shelf.

3.4.2 Exports

No.	Country	Mt
1	Netherlands	31.1
2	Irish Republic	17.8
3	Germany	15.0
4	China	13.3
5	Belgium	13.1
6	United States	8.3
7	France	6.7
8	Spain	5.8
9	Turkey	3.6
10	Poland	3.0
	EU-27 total	104.3
	Total	151.8

3.5 Top 10 Countries of Import and Export by Value (£ billions)

3.5.1 Imports

No.	Country	£ billions
1	France	235.1
2	United States	52.7
3	China	51.3
4	Switzerland	18.3
5	Norway (1)	15.2
6	Netherlands	14.0
7	Germany	12.4
8	Canada	12.2
9	Russia	11.1
10	Japan	10.2
	EU-27 total	271.4
	Total	533.7

Note 1. Includes fossil fuels imported via pipeline from the Norwegian Continental Shelf.

3.5.2 Exports

No.	Country	£ billions
1	United States	56.8
2	Germany	35.9
3	France	23.9
4	Netherlands	23.4
5	China	23.1
6	Irish Republic	21.6
7	Belgium	12.5
8	Switzerland	12.1
9	Spain	10.3
10	Italy	9.9
	EU-27 total	166.0
	Total	354.0

3.6 Overall Tonnage, Average Distance and £value of trade by Commodity Type

Commodity Code group (1-99)	Imports			Exports		
	Amount thousand tonnes	Average distance (km)	Value £ millions	Amount thousand tonnes	Average distance (km)	Value £ millions
1	46	596	531	12	1573	569
2	1530	2236	4208	1055	5775	1843
3	477	6254	2352	421	3499	1842
4	1498	1512	3090	1557	1461	1898
5	195	2202	153	186	2331	125
6	414	1468	1171	41	1351	76
7	3420	3151	3381	861	2732	451
8	4007	6593	4934	189	1090	251
9	484	10098	1362	71	3757	445
10	4873	4943	1203	3230	1558	580
11	643	1801	400	602	6069	340
12	1370	6309	809	176	1188	181
13	45	8679	201	14	5348	95
14	210	4149	52	2	4557	2
15	1920	5859	1544	667	1245	560
16	968	5180	3548	106	2107	394
17	2055	6184	1089	432	2372	415
18	648	2043	2163	207	3007	823
19	1839	2206	3610	820	4111	1847
20	3298	2038	3081	319	2826	552
21	1347	2893	3078	562	4120	2247
22	5435	3757	6476	2794	5409	8033
23	6279	7527	2408	1453	3642	1121
24	43	2330	541	11	6146	70
25	13277	1662	860	9729	1345	497
26	9368	6935	1377	90	5323	157
27	126212	4752	43903	78858	4548	30965
28	2813	2909	2062	671	2121	1302
29	4499	3750	7845	3287	2070	9317
30	370	3206	21962	263	4126	21201
31	4072	1730	860	932	5789	260
32	563	2698	1952	710	4225	2702
33	908	3342	5114	713	3477	4497
34	1275	2600	2027	1034	3984	1746
35	312	2424	774	97	3665	414
36	14	11796	33	22	4701	34
37	33	2754	423	7	4225	163
38	2373	2134	4942	1314	3733	5419

Commodity Code group (1-99)	Imports			Exports		
	Amount thousand tonnes	Average distance (km)	Value £ millions	Amount thousand tonnes	Average distance (km)	Value £ millions
39	7096	4302	14744	3557	4036	9130
40	1252	8237	4134	656	7383	1858
41	19	3498	132	159	9608	265
42	190	14195	2958	41	1935	997
43	1	13105	58	0	5522	35
44	16989	5098	5794	1080	1480	460
45	5	4388	36	1	12764	5
46	23	15822	79	1	2164	7
47	1063	5293	572	4362	12532	442
48	6335	3008	5875	1512	3550	2396
49	338	9805	1893	250	5435	2847
50	8	7715	28	1	14219	25
51	62	8268	337	58	8540	388
52	49	6830	224	10	3741	158
53	56	9414	77	2	5279	43
54	170	8179	584	38	3501	269
55	201	12084	441	51	3428	185
56	211	5538	607	51	4449	333
57	351	3775	895	67	3178	275
58	27	9432	234	9	2765	137
59	58	7971	336	40	3772	313
60	42	13174	173	21	2449	110
61	675	10202	10185	147	1898	3121
62	519	9075	9303	95	2644	3570
63	408	12470	2036	447	6430	853
64	306	11415	5412	61	2298	1922
65	22	12365	390	7	2403	185
66	25	17316	82	2	1773	16
67	23	15547	226	4	1591	34
68	2547	4638	1640	610	1947	886
69	3017	3649	1512	206	2597	463
70	1255	5432	1870	783	2481	1016
71	38	4744	69662	32	5389	33007
72	6503	3878	4663	11785	6307	5182
73	3280	7519	8801	1375	3949	4528
74	363	2506	1519	416	11019	1322
75	96	8324	1190	60	8127	1097
76	1349	4600	4009	1086	6664	2264
78	189	14970	358	235	3917	407
79	113	1615	275	38	3800	113
80	13	6601	102	1	4732	14
81	54	8642	886	37	6817	791
82	185	10027	1483	46	3826	774

Commodity Code group (1-99)	Imports			Exports		
	Amount thousand tonnes	Average distance (km)	Value £ millions	Amount thousand tonnes	Average distance (km)	Value £ millions
83	392	8974	2117	115	3501	974
84	4507	6548	65791	2938	4685	57355
85	2392	7758	48381	827	4045	22214
86	234	5181	1633	29	5766	225
87	6478	3221	58440	3475	5443	39376
88	51	6936	8447	36	4861	14500
89	38	12594	1153	41	4813	1672
90	353	5359	14927	245	2922	15547
91	19	9018	1592	4	3109	878
92	15	13892	301	3	3005	135
93	15	4555	575	6	3370	738
94	2703	9676	9284	357	3676	3333
95	618	14205	4770	134	2735	1817
96	395	5693	1856	72	1887	530
97	11	9407	3456	5	8036	9812
98	6	1082	118	0	1339	0
99	6	4803	6866	612	37	8907

Note. For names of Commodity Groups please see Table 4.2.

4. Methodology Tables

4.1 Carbon Intensity by Transport Mode

Mode of Transport	kg CO2e/tkm	Source
Shipping general (not roll-on/roll-off ferry, container or bulk)	0.013	BEIS (1)
Rail transport	0.03333	BEIS (1)
Road transport (average value taken)	0.129087	BEIS (1)
Mail	NULL	N/A
Fixed installations (e.g. pipeline)	NULL	N/A
Inland waterway transport	NULL	N/A
Shipping - Crude Oil	0.004572	BEIS (1)
Shipping - Bulk Cargo (Products/chemicals/LPG)	0.01	BEIS (1)
Sea - General Cargo & Refrigerated Cargo	0.013	BEIS (1)
Shipping – Container	0.016142	BEIS (1)
Shipping - Vehicle Transport	0.03858	BEIS (1)
Shipping - Roll-on Roll-off Ferry	0.051659	BEIS (1)
Air freight- Short Haul	2.37968	BEIS (1,2)
Air freight - Long Haul	1.13174	BEIS (1,2)
Trade undefined - assume equivalent to shipping (general)	0.013	BEIS (1)

Notes:

1. BEIS (2019), 'Greenhouse Gas Reporting: Conversion Factors 2019' (accessed May 2020). <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/greenhouse-gas-reporting-conversion-factors-2019>.
2. This includes an uplift of 2 for the radiative forcing impacts of aviation.
3. The short-haul and long-haul carbon intensities were applied for flight distances up to and greater than 3700 km respectively.

4.2 Commodity codes against Category Groups (see Section 1 of Annex 1 and Table 1 in main report)

COMMODITY CODE	Commodity	GROUP Code and Description (as used in this report)	
10000000	LIVE ANIMALS	A	Food – Animal
20000000	MEAT AND EDIBLE MEAT OFFAL	A	Food – Animal
30000000	FISH AND CRUSTACEANS, MOLLUSCS AND OTHER AQUATIC INVERTEBRATE	A	Food – Animal
40000000	DAIRY PRODUCE; BIRDS' EGGS; NATURAL HONEY; EDIBLE PRODUCTS OF	A	Food – Animal
50000000	PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INCLUDE	A,N,W,Z	Food - Animal, Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers, Wastes, Other
60000000	LIVE TREES AND OTHER PLANTS; BULBS, ROOTS AND THE LIKE; CUT F	N	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers
70000000	EDIBLE VEGETABLES AND CERTAIN ROOTS AND TUBERS	E	Food – Plant
80000000	EDIBLE FRUIT AND NUTS; PEEL OF CITRUS FRUIT OR MELONS	E	Food – Plant
90000000	COFFEE, TEA, MATVÂ AND SPICES	E	Food – Plant
100000000	CEREALS	E	Food – Plant
110000000	PRODUCTS OF THE MILLING INDUSTRY; MALT; STARCHES; INULIN; WHE	M	Food - Processed/Manufactured
120000000	OIL SEEDS AND OLEAGINOUS FRUITS; MISCELLANEOUS GRAINS, SEEDS	E	Food – Plant
130000000	LAC; GUMS, RESINS AND OTHER VEGETABLE SAPS AND EXTRACTS	E	Food – Plant
140000000	VEGETABLE PLAITING MATERIALS; VEGETABLE PRODUCTS NOT ELSEWHER	E	Food – Plant
150000000	ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS AND THEIR CLEAVAGE PRODUCTS	E	Food – Plant
160000000	PREPARATIONS OF MEAT, OF FISH OR OF CRUSTACEANS, MOLLUSCS OR	M	Food - Processed/Manufactured
170000000	SUGARS AND SUGAR CONFECTIONERY	E,M	Food - Plant, Food - Processed/Manufactured
180000000	COCOA AND COCOA PREPARATIONS	E,W,M	Food - Plant, Wastes, Food - Processed/Manufactured
190000000	PREPARATIONS OF CEREALS, FLOUR, STARCH OR MILK; PASTRYCOOKS'	M	Food - Processed/Manufactured
200000000	PREPARATIONS OF VEGETABLES, FRUIT, NUTS OR OTHER PARTS OF PLA	M	Food - Processed/Manufactured
210000000	MISCELLANEOUS EDIBLE PREPARATIONS	M	Food - Processed/Manufactured

COMMODITY CODE	Commodity	GROUP Code and Description (as used in this report)	
220000000	BEVERAGES, SPIRITS AND VINEGAR	M	Food - Processed/Manufactured
230000000	RESIDUES AND WASTE FROM THE FOOD INDUSTRIES; PREPARED ANIMAL	W	Wastes
240000000	TOBACCO AND MANUFACTURED TOBACCO SUBSTITUTES	Z	Other
250000000	SALT; SULPHUR; EARTHS AND STONE; PLASTERING MATERIALS, LIME A	S,W,D	Stone & Minerals (excludes metal ores), Wastes, Manufactured - Construction Materials
260000000	ORES, SLAG AND ASH	O,W	Ores, Wastes
270000000	MINERAL FUELS, MINERAL OILS AND PRODUCTS OF THEIR DISTILLATIO	F,W	Fossil Fuels, Wastes
280000000	INORGANIC CHEMICALS; ORGANIC OR INORGANIC COMPOUNDS OF PRECIO	C	Chemicals
290000000	ORGANIC CHEMICALS	C	Chemicals
300000000	PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS	C,W	Chemicals, Wastes
310000000	FERTILISERS	C	Chemicals
320000000	TANNING OR DYEING EXTRACTS; TANNINS AND THEIR DERIVATIVES; DY	C	Chemicals
330000000	ESSENTIAL OILS AND RESINOIDS; PERFUMERY, COSMETIC OR TOILET P	C	Chemicals
340000000	SOAP, ORGANIC SURFACE-ACTIVE AGENTS, WASHING PREPARATIONS, LU	C	Chemicals
350000000	ALBUMINOIDAL SUBSTANCES; MODIFIED STARCHES; GLUES; ENZYMES	C	Chemicals
360000000	EXPLOSIVES; PYROTECHNIC PRODUCTS; MATCHES; PYROPHORIC ALLOYS;	Z	Other
370000000	PHOTOGRAPHIC OR CINEMATOGRAPHIC GOODS	H	Manufactured - Machinery
380000000	MISCELLANEOUS CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	C,W	Chemicals, Wastes
390000000	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W,D,G	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes, Manufactured - Construction Materials, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
400000000	RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W,G	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
410000000	RAW HIDES AND SKINS (OTHER THAN FURSKINS) AND LEATHER	T,W	Textiles, Wastes

COMMODITY CODE	Commodity	GROUP Code and Description (as used in this report)	
420000000	ARTICLES OF LEATHER; SADDLERY AND HARNESS; TRAVEL GOODS, HAND	T	Textiles
430000000	FURSKINS AND ARTIFICIAL FUR; MANUFACTURES THEREOF	T	Textiles
440000000	WOOD AND ARTICLES OF WOOD; WOOD CHARCOAL	B,N,D,G,P	Biomass Fuels, Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers, Manufactured - Construction Materials, Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Materials/Parts
450000000	CORK AND ARTICLES OF CORK	N,W,G	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers, Wastes, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
460000000	MANUFACTURES OF STRAW, OF ESPARTO OR OF OTHER PLAINTING MATERI	G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods
470000000	PULP OF WOOD OR OF OTHER FIBROUS CELLULOSIC MATERIAL; RECOVER	N,W	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers, Wastes
480000000	PAPER AND PAPERBOARD; ARTICLES OF PAPER PULP, OF PAPER OR OF	P,D,G	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Manufactured - Construction Materials, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
490000000	PRINTED BOOKS, NEWSPAPERS, PICTURES AND OTHER PRODUCTS OF THE	G	Manufactured - Consumer Goods
500000000	SILK	N,W,T	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers, Wastes, Textiles
510000000	WOOL, FINE OR COARSE ANIMAL HAIR; HORSEHAIR YARN AND WOVEN FA	T,N,W	Textiles, Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers, Wastes
520000000	COTTON	N,W,T	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers, Wastes, Textiles
530000000	OTHER VEGETABLE TEXTILE FIBRES; PAPER YARN AND WOVEN FABRICS	N,W,T	Natural Fibres/Timber/Flowers, Wastes, Textiles
540000000	MAN-MADE FILAMENTS; STRIP AND THE LIKE OF MAN-MADE TEXTILE MA	T	Textiles
550000000	MAN-MADE STAPLE FIBRES	T,W	Textiles, Wastes
560000000	WADDING, FELT AND NONWOVENS; SPECIAL YARNS; TWINE, CORDAGE, R	T	Textiles
570000000	CARPETS AND OTHER TEXTILE FLOOR COVERINGS	D	Manufactured - Construction Materials
580000000	SPECIAL WOVEN FABRICS; TUFTED TEXTILE FABRICS; LACE; TAPESTRI	T	Textiles
590000000	IMPREGNATED, COATED, COVERED OR LAMINATED TEXTILE FABRICS; TE	T	Textiles

COMMODITY CODE	Commodity	GROUP Code and Description (as used in this report)	
600000000	KNITTED OR CROCHETED FABRICS	T	Textiles
610000000	ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES, KNITTED OR CROC	T	Textiles
620000000	ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES, NOT KNITTED OR	T	Textiles
630000000	OTHER MADE-UP TEXTILE ARTICLES; SETS; WORN CLOTHING AND WORN	T	Textiles
640000000	FOOTWEAR, GAITERS AND THE LIKE; PARTS OF SUCH ARTICLES	T	Textiles
650000000	HEADGEAR AND PARTS THEREOF	T	Textiles
660000000	UMBRELLAS, SUN UMBRELLAS, WALKING STICKS, SEAT-STICKS, WHIPS,	H,P	Manufactured - Machinery, Manufactured - Materials/Parts
670000000	PREPARED FEATHERS AND DOWN AND ARTICLES MADE OF FEATHERS OR O	T,G	Textiles, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
680000000	ARTICLES OF STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, MICA OR SIMILAR	D	Manufactured - Construction Materials
690000000	CERAMIC PRODUCTS	D,G	Manufactured - Construction Materials, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
700000000	GLASS AND GLASSWARE	P,W,G	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
710000000	NATURAL OR CULTURED PEARLS, PRECIOUS OR SEMI-PRECIOUS STONES,	P,W,G,Z	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes, Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Other
720000000	IRON AND STEEL	P,W	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes
730000000	ARTICLES OF IRON OR STEEL	P,D,G	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Manufactured - Construction Materials, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
740000000	COPPER AND ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes
750000000	NICKEL AND ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes
760000000	ALUMINIUM AND ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W,D,G	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes, Manufactured - Construction Materials, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
780000000	LEAD AND ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes
790000000	ZINC AND ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes
800000000	TIN AND ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes
810000000	OTHER BASE METALS; CERMETS; ARTICLES THEREOF	P,W	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Wastes

COMMODITY CODE	Commodity	GROUP Code and Description (as used in this report)	
820000000	TOOLS, IMPLEMENTS, CUTLERY, SPOONS AND FORKS, OF BASE METAL;	G,H,P	Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Machinery, Manufactured - Materials/Parts
830000000	MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES OF BASE METAL	G,P,D	Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Manufactured - Construction Materials
840000000	NUCLEAR REACTORS, BOILERS, MACHINERY AND MECHANICAL APPLIANCE	H,P	Manufactured - Machinery, Manufactured - Materials/Parts
850000000	ELECTRICAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT AND PARTS THEREOF; SOUND R	H,P,G	Manufactured - Machinery, Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
860000000	RAILWAY OR TRAMWAY LOCOMOTIVES, ROLLING STOCK AND PARTS THERE	V	Manufactured – Vehicles
870000000	VEHICLES OTHER THAN RAILWAY OR TRAMWAY ROLLING STOCK, AND PAR	V,G	Manufactured - Vehicles, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
880000000	AIRCRAFT, SPACECRAFT, AND PARTS THEREOF	V,G,H,P,Z	Manufactured - Vehicles, Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Machinery, Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Other
890000000	SHIPS, BOATS AND FLOATING STRUCTURES	V	Manufactured - Vehicles
900000000	OPTICAL, PHOTOGRAPHIC, CINEMATOGRAPHIC, MEASURING, CHECKING,	P,G,H	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Machinery
910000000	CLOCKS AND WATCHES AND PARTS THEREOF	P,G	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Manufactured - Consumer Goods
920000000	MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; PARTS AND ACCESSORIES OF SUCH ARTICLES	G,P	Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Materials/Parts
930000000	ARMS AND AMMUNITION; PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF	Z	Other
940000000	FURNITURE; BEDDING, MATTRESSES, MATTRESS SUPPORTS, CUSHIONS A	G,D,P	Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Construction Materials, Manufactured - Materials/Parts
950000000	TOYS, GAMES AND SPORTS REQUISITES; PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THER	G,P	Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Materials/Parts
960000000	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	G,P	Manufactured - Consumer Goods, Manufactured - Materials/Parts

COMMODITY CODE	Commodity	GROUP Code and Description (as used in this report)	
970000000	WORKS OF ART, COLLECTORS' PIECES AND ANTIQUES	Z	Other
988084000	INDUSTRIAL PLANT COMPONENT PARTS FALLING IN TARIFF CHAPTER 84 - MACHINERY AND MECHANICAL APPLIANCES	P	Manufactured - Materials/Parts
999088000	MIXED CONSIGNMENTS OF AIRCRAFT PARTS	P,Z	Manufactured - Materials/Parts, Other
988063000	INDUSTRIAL PLANT COMPONENT PARTS FALLING IN TARIFF CHAPTER 63	N/A	Not included
992099000	POSTAL PACKAGES NOT CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND	N/A	Not included
988063000	INDUSTRIAL PLANT COMPONENT PARTS FALLING IN TARIFF CHAPTER 63	N/A	Not included
992099000	POSTAL PACKAGES NOT CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND	N/A	Not included
993024000	SHIPS' AND AIRCRAFT'S STORES AND SUPPLIES	N/A	Not included
993124000	GOODS DELIVERED TO OFFSHORE INSTALLATIONS-CN CHAPTERS 1-24	N/A	Not included
995000000	TRANSACTIONS OF LOW VALUE NOT CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND	N/A	Not included
999087000	MIXED CONSIGNMENTS OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS	N/A	Not included
999999999	No commodity code declared	N/A	Not included

4.3 Table of Countries – including location (region) and distance from UK

Region	Country	Distance (km)	Shipping distance (km)
European Community	Austria	1515	5353
European Community	Belgian Continental Shelf	757	434
European Community	Belgium	757	434
European Community	Bulgaria	2505	5746
European Community	Canary Islands	1664	2170 (1)
European Community	Croatia	1740	5289
European Community	Cyprus	3592	6015
European Community	Cyprus Continental Shelf	3592	6015
European Community	Czech Republic	1413	834
European Community	Danish Continental Shelf	1413	1465
European Community	Denmark	813	1465
European Community	Estonia	1746	2324
European Community	Finland	1819	2366
European Community	Finnish Continental Shelf	1819	2366
European Community	France	1091	3530
European Community	French Continental Shelf	1091	3530
European Community	French Guiana	7224	7012
European Community	German Continental Shelf	1033	834
European Community	Germany	1033	834
European Community	Greece	2604	5006
European Community	Greece Continental Shelf	2604	5006
European Community	Guadeloupe	6534	6553
European Community	Guernsey	660	NULL
European Community	Hungary	1826	5353
European Community	Irish Continental Shelf	4365	734
European Community	Irish Republic	380	734
European Community	Italy	1898	3963
European Community	Latvia	1733	2120
European Community	Lithuania	1719	2058
European Community	Luxembourg	893	368
European Community	Malta	2550	4061
European Community	Martinique	6652	6630
European Community	Mayotte	8831	12897
European Community	Netherlands	677	368
European Community	Netherlands Continental Shelf	677	368
European Community	Poland	1530	1836
European Community	Portugal	1812	1654
European Community	Reunion	10156	13710
European Community	Romania	2238	5971
European Community	Slovakia	1739	5353

Region	Country	Distance (km)	Shipping distance (km)
European Community	Slovenia	1644	5353
European Community	Spain	1664	2212
European Community	Sweden	1404	1253
European Community	Swedish Continental Shelf	1404	1253
European Community	UK Continental Shelf	0	0
European Community	United Kingdom	0	0
Europe outside the EC	Albania	2336	4609
Europe outside the EC	Andorra	1475	3531
Europe outside the EC	Armenia	3905	6455
Europe outside the EC	Azerbaijan	4059	6455
Europe outside the EC	Belarus	2016	2058
Europe outside the EC	Bosnia-Herzegovina	1970	4852
Europe outside the EC	Faroe Islands	752	1494
Europe outside the EC	Georgia	3635	6638
Europe outside the EC	Gibraltar	2144	2209
Europe outside the EC	Iceland	1363	2100
Europe outside the EC	Jersey	691	NULL
Europe outside the EC	Kazakhstan	4705	6455
Europe outside the EC	Kosovo	2254	4852 (1)
Europe outside the EC	Kyrgyz, Republic	5670	11590
Europe outside the EC	Liechtenstein	1281	5353
Europe outside the EC	Macedonia	2382	4840
Europe outside the EC	Moldova, Republic of	2352	5971
Europe outside the EC	Montenegro	2161	4839
Europe outside the EC	Norway	900	1254
Europe outside the EC	Norwegian Continental Shelf	900	1254
Europe outside the EC	Russia	5614	6455
Europe outside the EC	San Marino	1702	3963
Europe outside the EC	Sao Tome and Principe	6204	8233
Europe outside the EC	Serbia	2146	4852 (1)
Europe outside the EC	Switzerland	1249	3531
Europe outside the EC	Tajikistan	5641	11590
Europe outside the EC	Turkey	3382	5569
Europe outside the EC	Turkmenistan	4904	11695
Europe outside the EC	Ukraine	2470	6145
Europe outside the EC	Uzbekistan	5036	11590
Europe outside the EC	Vatican City State	1898	3963 (1)
Asia & Oceania	Afghanistan	5814	11590
Asia & Oceania	American Samoa	15318	17923
Asia & Oceania	Antarctica	16646	16646 (1)
Asia & Oceania	Antigua and Barbuda	6476	6537
Asia & Oceania	Australia	15206	20811
Asia & Oceania	Bangladesh	8092	14719
Asia & Oceania	Bhutan	7756	14720
Asia & Oceania	Bouvet Island	12225	NULL

Region	Country	Distance (km)	Shipping distance (km)
Asia & Oceania	Brunei	11305	16591
Asia & Oceania	Cambodia	9984	16556
Asia & Oceania	China	7780	19498
Asia & Oceania	Christmas Islands	15206	15002 (1)
Asia & Oceania	Cocos Islands	11766	16017 (1)
Asia & Oceania	Cook Islands	15740	16843
Asia & Oceania	Fiji	15825	23600
Asia & Oceania	French Polynesia	14935	15946
Asia & Oceania	French Southern Territories	13447	13447 (1)
Asia & Oceania	Guam	11805	20053
Asia & Oceania	Heard Island and McDonald Islands	13956	NULL
Asia & Oceania	Hong Kong	9557	18233
Asia & Oceania	India	7663	11893
Asia & Oceania	Indonesia	11765	16017
Asia & Oceania	Japan	9200	20659
Asia & Oceania	Kiribati	13220	15929
Asia & Oceania	Laos	9159	17102
Asia & Oceania	Macao	9547	18221
Asia & Oceania	Malaysia	10583	15002
Asia & Oceania	Maldives	9007	12154
Asia & Oceania	Marshall Islands	12493	22596
Asia & Oceania	Micronesia (Federated States of)	12887	20170
Asia & Oceania	Mongolia	6781	19498
Asia & Oceania	Myanmar	8587	14552
Asia & Oceania	Nauru	13853	22404
Asia & Oceania	Nepal	7298	14720
Asia & Oceania	New Caledonia	16074	22509
Asia & Oceania	New Zealand	18401	23909
Asia & Oceania	Norfolk Island	17005	22929
Asia & Oceania	North Korea	8405	20869
Asia & Oceania	Northern Mariana Islands	11659	20218
Asia & Oceania	Pakistan	6211	11589
Asia & Oceania	Palau	12023	18880
Asia & Oceania	Papua New Guinea	13842	20248
Asia & Oceania	Philippines	10876	17866
Asia & Oceania	Pitcairn	14396	14396 (1)
Asia & Oceania	Samoa	15285	17992
Asia & Oceania	Singapore	10961	15348
Asia & Oceania	Solomon Islands	14730	21353
Asia & Oceania	South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands	12578	NULL
Asia & Oceania	South Korea	8858	20084
Asia & Oceania	Sri Lanka	8922	12717
Asia & Oceania	Taiwan	9773	18499
Asia & Oceania	Thailand	9441	17101
Asia & Oceania	Timor-Leste	13208	18134

Region	Country	Distance (km)	Shipping distance (km)
Asia & Oceania	Tonga	16151	18353
Asia & Oceania	Tuvalu	14686	23580
Asia & Oceania	Vanuatu	15492	22599
Asia & Oceania	Vietnam	10033	16662
Asia & Oceania	Wallis and Futuna	15424	18434
Latin America & Caribbean	Anguilla	6448	6609
Latin America & Caribbean	Argentina	11882	13554
Latin America & Caribbean	Aruba	7391	7591
Latin America & Caribbean	Bahamas	6742	7548
Latin America & Caribbean	Barbados	6699	6548
Latin America & Caribbean	Belize	8133	9080
Latin America & Caribbean	Bermuda	5327	5925
Latin America & Caribbean	Bolivia	9749	14464
Latin America & Caribbean	Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba	7316	7508 (1)
Latin America & Caribbean	Brazil	8967	10469
Latin America & Caribbean	British Indian Ocean Territory	9800	12154 (1)
Latin America & Caribbean	Cayman Islands	7488	8307
Latin America & Caribbean	Chile	12001	14463
Latin America & Caribbean	Colombia	8389	8278
Latin America & Caribbean	Costa Rica	8506	9028
Latin America & Caribbean	Cuba	7073	8477
Latin America & Caribbean	Curacao	7363	7508 (1)
Latin America & Caribbean	Dominica	6601	6591
Latin America & Caribbean	Dominican Republic	6840	7163
Latin America & Caribbean	Ecuador	9221	10049
Latin America & Caribbean	El Salvador	8464	10211
Latin America & Caribbean	Falklands Islands and dependencies	12986	13758
Latin America & Caribbean	Grenada	6926	6785
Latin America & Caribbean	Guatemala	8369	10471
Latin America & Caribbean	Guyana	7452	7071
Latin America & Caribbean	Haiti	6952	7419
Latin America & Caribbean	Honduras	8170	9118
Latin America & Caribbean	Jamaica	7345	7934
Latin America & Caribbean	Montserrat	6529	6598
Latin America & Caribbean	Nicaragua	8315	8819
Latin America & Caribbean	Panama	8429	8758
Latin America & Caribbean	Paraguay	10189	12244
Latin America & Caribbean	Peru	9716	10682
Latin America & Caribbean	Saint Barthelemy	6462	6621 (1)
Latin America & Caribbean	Sint Maarten (Dutch part)	6463	6621 (1)
Latin America & Caribbean	St Kitts and Nevis	6509	6621
Latin America & Caribbean	St Lucia	6717	6651
Latin America & Caribbean	St Pierre and Miquelon	3711	4361
Latin America & Caribbean	St Vincent and the Grenadines	6791	6741
Latin America & Caribbean	Suriname	7382	6975

Region	Country	Distance (km)	Shipping distance (km)
Latin America & Caribbean	Trinidad and Tobago	7032	6882
Latin America & Caribbean	Turks and Caicos Islands	6680	7287
Latin America & Caribbean	Uruguay	10965	12244
Latin America & Caribbean	Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	7750	7508
Latin America & Caribbean	Virgin Islands, British	6526	6727
Latin America & Caribbean	Virgin Islands, United States	6549	6761
Middle East & North Africa	Algeria	3068	2675
Middle East & North Africa	Bahrain	5401	12108
Middle East & North Africa	Ceuta	1664	2170 (1)
Middle East & North Africa	Egypt	4200	5901
Middle East & North Africa	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	5053	11695
Middle East & North Africa	Iraq	4365	12487
Middle East & North Africa	Israel	4031	6135
Middle East & North Africa	Jordan	4151	6705
Middle East & North Africa	Kuwait	4930	12462
Middle East & North Africa	Lebanon	3842	6066
Middle East & North Africa	Libya	3636	4237
Middle East & North Africa	Melilla	1664	2170 (1)
Middle East & North Africa	Morocco	2638	2170
Middle East & North Africa	Occupied Palestinian Territory	3976	6136
Middle East & North Africa	Oman	6134	9970
Middle East & North Africa	Qatar	5502	12039
Middle East & North Africa	Saudi Arabia	5267	7463
Middle East & North Africa	South Sudan	6205	7268 (1)
Middle East & North Africa	Sudan	5547	7269
Middle East & North Africa	Syria	3949	6049
Middle East & North Africa	Tunisia	2591	3692
Middle East & North Africa	United Arab Emirates	5837	11637
Middle East & North Africa	Yemen	6236	8929
North America	Canada	5807	5089
North America	Greenland	2572	4115
North America	Mexico	8415	11593
North America	United States	6830	9277
North America	United States Minor outlying islands	11660	NULL
Sub-Saharan Africa	Angola	7666	9733
Sub-Saharan Africa	Benin	5148	7661
Sub-Saharan Africa	Botswana	9043	13696
Sub-Saharan Africa	Burkina Faso	4800	7576
Sub-Saharan Africa	Burundi	7209	12289
Sub-Saharan Africa	Cameroon	5518	8292
Sub-Saharan Africa	Cape Verde	4799	4861
Sub-Saharan Africa	Central Africa Republic	5837	8292
Sub-Saharan Africa	Chad	4827	8292
Sub-Saharan Africa	Comoros	8627	12871
Sub-Saharan Africa	Congo	6999	9018

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Sub-Saharan Africa	Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	6999	9131
Sub-Saharan Africa	Cote D'Ivoire	5323	7004
Sub-Saharan Africa	Djibouti	6261	8760
Sub-Saharan Africa	Equatorial Guinea	6101	8460
Sub-Saharan Africa	Eritrea	5787	8638
Sub-Saharan Africa	Ethiopia	6413	8638
Sub-Saharan Africa	Gabon	6395	8478
Sub-Saharan Africa	Gambia	4775	5025
Sub-Saharan Africa	Ghana	5278	7428
Sub-Saharan Africa	Guinea	5082	5640
Sub-Saharan Africa	Guinea Bissau	5082	5284
Sub-Saharan Africa	Kenya	7202	11975
Sub-Saharan Africa	Lesotho	9920	13696
Sub-Saharan Africa	Liberia	5469	6577
Sub-Saharan Africa	Madagascar	9505	13333
Sub-Saharan Africa	Malawi	8406	12289
Sub-Saharan Africa	Mali	4204	5640
Sub-Saharan Africa	Mauritania	3873	4098
Sub-Saharan Africa	Mauritius	10185	13699
Sub-Saharan Africa	Mozambique	9015	14140
Sub-Saharan Africa	Namibia	8956	10746
Sub-Saharan Africa	Niger	4312	7661
Sub-Saharan Africa	Nigeria	5257	7795
Sub-Saharan Africa	Niue	15818	17963
Sub-Saharan Africa	Rwanda	7057	12289
Sub-Saharan Africa	Senegal	4644	4850
Sub-Saharan Africa	Seychelles	8561	11733
Sub-Saharan Africa	Sierra Leone	5269	5858
Sub-Saharan Africa	Somalia	7102	10494
Sub-Saharan Africa	South Africa	9881	13697
Sub-Saharan Africa	St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha	7936	11386
Sub-Saharan Africa	Swaziland	9692	14141
Sub-Saharan Africa	Tanzania (United Republic of)	7718	12289
Sub-Saharan Africa	Togo	5213	7575
Sub-Saharan Africa	Uganda	6812	11975
Sub-Saharan Africa	Western Sahara	3551	NULL
Sub-Saharan Africa	Zambia	8161	14141
Sub-Saharan Africa	Zimbabwe	8826	14141

Notes. Sea Distance Exceptions (from data imported from the CERDI sea distance database – see <https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/halshs-01288748v1> and <https://zenodo.org/record/240493#.XrKhpi-ZOL4>) are as follows:

- Serbia - the UKtradeinfo countries list uses Alpha2 code of XS but ISO3166 uses RS. The sea distance has been entered manually to get round this.

- South Sudan - doesn't appear in CERDI database at all, but Sudan does, so the sea distance for Sudan has been used for South Sudan as an approximation.
- Antarctic, French Southern Territories and Pitcairn – There are not listed in the sea distance database so the line of sight distance has been entered manually.
- Kosovo – is not included in the CERDI database. The sea distance for Serbia has been used as an approximation.
- Cocos Islands – have used the Indonesia Sea Distance from the CERDI database.
- Saint Barthelemy – have used the Saint Kitts and Nevis sea distance from CERDI database.
- Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, Curacao and Saba – have used Venezuela sea distance from CERDI database.
- Christmas Island – have used the Malaysia sea distance from CERDI database.
- Canary Islands – have used the Morocco sea distance from CERDI database.
- British Indian Ocean Territory – have used the Maldives sea distance from CERDI database.
- Sint Maarten – have used the Saint Kitts and Nevis sea distance from CERDI database.
- Ceuta and Melilla – have used the Morocco sea distance from CERDI database.
- Vatican City State – have used the Italy sea distance from CERDI database.