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The following table is an overview of the tradeflow between the European Union and Oman

Section	Year	Import(Euro)	Export(Euro)
Animals & animal products	1996	11,887,220	58,986,290
	1997	17,509,170	67,001,780
	1998	21,893,930	65,495,900
	1999	1,532,690	82,016,490
	2000	10,759,350	73,075,370
	2001	20,656,390	119,765,570
	2002	22,140,900	59,512,860
	2003	27,273,410	48,428,190
Vegetable products	1996	147,530	3,164,830
	1997	131,650	3,292,560
	1998	75,720	2,928,690
	1999	125,260	4,755,150
	2000	45,720	5,976,920
	2001	43,300	5,758,670
	2002	101,780	7,794,250
	2003	9,320	7,089,700
Animal or vegetable fats	1996	0	647,860
	1997	0	1,114,010
	1998	290	829,390
	1999	0	592,920
	2000	0	929,320
	2001	101,010	842,220
	2002	122,890	870,280
	2003	0	371,620
Prepared foodstuffs	1996	717,240	23,963,000
	1997	895,110	32,156,760
	1998	225,380	31,147,870
	1999	127,300	32,784,170
	2000	78,180	36,247,290
	2001	29,400	42,535,420
	2002	1,212,650	35,343,510
	2003	506,060	32,757,650
Mineral products	1996	32,914,150	1,691,750
	1997	29,200	3,984,560
	1998	21,550	3,321,210
	1999	1,667,420	4,845,680
	2000	17,208,130	2,652,930
	2001	115,367,530	2,864,000
	2002	254,270,050	3,072,550

	2003	51,107,070	2,306,260
Chemical products	1996	1,424,510	82,576,690
	1997	2,007,390	87,074,360
	1998	5,578,500	94,885,160
	1999	4,590,500	90,512,650
	2000	6,827,890	96,613,940
	2001	5,160,950	94,556,460
	2002	6,695,270	103,007,720
	2003	4,588,970	100,265,410
Plastics & rubber	1996	43,440	22,677,500
	1997	42,150	22,529,000
	1998	186,050	29,892,280
	1999	61,920	24,145,520
	2000	58,830	29,254,340
	2001	99,970	35,114,230
	2002	466,760	33,963,760
	2003	1,399,890	32,306,820
Hides & skins	1996	900	1,030,000
	1997	6,420	1,740,640
	1998	16,030	1,098,860
	1999	10,190	861,660
	2000	171,870	1,677,840
	2001	250,660	1,980,660
	2002	277,780	1,221,730
	2003	55,570	1,195,660
Wood & wood products	1996	540	2,794,580
	1997	11,240	2,446,870
	1998	14,480	4,555,840
	1999	6,760	4,888,490
	2000	104,700	3,709,430
	2001	75,630	4,845,790
	2002	23,450	5,831,900
	2003	27,240	4,460,620
Wood pulp products	1996	35,700	13,554,920
	1997	105,210	13,225,190
	1998	187,710	14,822,300
	1999	158,160	16,210,750
	2000	244,960	16,253,370
	2001	83,650	19,209,580
	2002	201,290	21,222,130
	2003	40,840	20,169,310
Textiles & textile articles	1996	1,642,990	8,973,280
	1997	467,130	11,269,450
	1998	898,390	11,266,470
	1999	876,850	12,394,060
	2000	2,308,970	12,201,540
	2001	1,812,840	14,501,670
	2002	4,414,680	15,354,150
	2003	5,622,840	11,350,060
Footwear, headgear	1996	880	3,864,910
	1997	33,830	5,726,290
	1998	73,870	5,333,180
	1999	12,330	5,084,180
	2000	55,710	5,307,280
	2001	16,700	5,628,130
	2002	6,320	4,962,180
	2003	0	5,304,440
Articles of stone, plaster,	1996	24,190	16,495,080
	1997	19,920	18,684,280
	1998	15,380	18,876,750
	1999	59,160	23,112,890

cement, asbestos	2000	384,690	22,627,530
	2001	510,010	21,208,630
	2002	831,530	17,911,640
	2003	1,312,520	15,756,700
Pearls, (semi-)precious stones, metals	1996	6,668,520	4,028,510
	1997	22,332,720	25,932,300
	1998	8,013,860	9,412,610
	1999	9,451,620	20,016,000
	2000	17,761,080	31,125,260
	2001	20,076,620	15,985,780
	2002	15,900,430	20,115,390
	2003	6,389,680	6,877,740
Base metals & articles thereof	1996	1,310,420	53,752,260
	1997	1,070,560	190,355,720
	1998	870,850	179,249,610
	1999	832,280	54,849,080
	2000	2,385,970	55,917,820
	2001	1,614,680	92,481,290
	2002	3,777,210	75,409,150
	2003	6,677,680	110,931,930
Machinery & mechanical appliances	1996	5,467,710	236,055,200
	1997	6,738,720	267,596,120
	1998	10,537,600	482,800,340
	1999	6,804,960	339,369,400
	2000	6,973,570	265,501,370
	2001	10,932,840	453,847,850
	2002	8,337,100	481,509,270
	2003	11,549,060	402,503,390
Transportation equipment	1996	1,343,740	35,462,270
	1997	2,827,070	219,771,490
	1998	4,931,540	79,668,200
	1999	7,467,380	107,578,380
	2000	8,619,750	100,371,490
	2001	2,458,840	125,309,050
	2002	6,955,240	151,204,020
	2003	1,974,710	127,711,980
Instruments - measuring, musical	1996	2,923,960	27,613,130
	1997	13,271,660	41,078,710
	1998	4,675,080	46,037,840
	1999	4,836,970	32,552,590
	2000	4,235,590	43,588,080
	2001	6,610,720	51,195,970
	2002	8,567,780	39,793,850
	2003	4,987,060	51,263,030
Arms & ammunition	1996	30,430	2,701,440
	1997	952,300	5,537,020
	1998	1,285,330	13,655,840
	1999	5,530	1,363,110
	2000	269,800	6,161,250
	2001	3,893,620	7,465,770
	2002	55,920	12,713,760
	2003	3,602,710	7,464,320
Miscellaneous	1996	498,320	18,029,220
	1997	1,252,240	20,821,520
	1998	4,569,160	25,989,290
	1999	2,354,300	24,842,020
	2000	5,021,520	24,701,310
	2001	6,797,580	26,589,260
	2002	3,790,900	19,219,950
	2003	3,549,340	15,504,060
	1996	12,750	558,280

Works of art	1997	14,980	3,757,760
	1998	373,150	535,390
	1999	559,020	405,840
	2000	766,250	6,816,110
	2001	45,780	10,405,870
	2002	7,700	347,380
	2003	81,680	551,850
Other	1996	5,594,700	3,144,650
	1997	4,851,390	5,632,840
	1998	5,642,070	6,200,480
	1999	4,465,160	2,892,480
	2000	5,303,920	3,376,780
	2001	6,672,170	4,366,470
	2002	3,432,220	3,573,650
	2003	4,834,430	12,360,810

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Import ban on milk and dairy products from the EU are requested a BSE-free certificate .
EU countries banned: DK, FR and UK

- General statement on BSE to all Third Countries during the SPS Committee on 17/03/2004 in reaction to the USA's statement.
During the XXXI SPS Committee in October 2004 the Commission has given a general statement on BSE (Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy). Some WTO members started to lift the ban due to BSE for some EU live ruminants and ruminant derived products (e.g.: China, New Zealand, Brazil, Philippines). The EC requested other WTO members to follow the same line and to respect guidelines as set up by international organizations (OIE).