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

Section	Year	Import(Euro)	Export(Euro)
<b>Animals &amp; animal products</b>	1996	41,747,540	70,272,640
	1997	48,600,410	81,391,580
	1998	56,337,520	59,093,260
	1999	53,976,720	75,525,010
	2000	64,514,380	110,896,500
	2001	63,620,800	93,019,690
	2002	53,914,110	81,103,490
	2003	53,580,050	78,649,420
<b>Vegetable products</b>	1996	33,229,960	28,712,170
	1997	45,194,030	31,416,920
	1998	43,389,570	23,868,650
	1999	34,724,940	27,259,950
	2000	30,347,820	30,537,660
	2001	22,752,300	34,077,650
	2002	20,420,160	33,663,030
	2003	18,642,630	25,796,640
<b>Animal or vegetable fats</b>	1996	3,043,390	4,866,300
	1997	4,046,640	5,866,270
	1998	2,630,820	7,494,170
	1999	5,839,660	4,016,220
	2000	7,417,340	5,276,080
	2001	8,280,920	6,083,770
	2002	7,791,260	9,130,830
	2003	9,074,690	7,769,130
<b>Prepared foodstuffs</b>	1996	37,673,610	294,882,620
	1997	44,863,400	504,189,960
	1998	35,762,220	363,417,030
	1999	28,125,020	364,574,620
	2000	35,238,280	422,531,400
	2001	32,756,820	405,387,040
	2002	38,679,360	367,337,870
	2003	39,902,300	286,930,040
<b>Mineral products</b>	1996	13,573,850	89,638,050
	1997	4,862,200	144,860,310
	1998	11,870,940	84,102,920
	1999	3,474,250	199,604,980
	2000	9,246,830	190,611,400
	2001	18,713,110	203,447,270
	2002	195,272,660	267,632,940

	2003	116,639,420	177,977,930
<b>Chemical products</b>	1996	389,354,440	925,729,150
	1997	604,064,360	1,034,878,220
	1998	855,109,400	838,112,310
	1999	1,300,825,460	1,129,575,490
	2000	1,455,480,810	1,248,165,100
	2001	1,784,055,540	1,319,134,140
	2002	2,063,319,400	1,467,872,430
	2003	3,351,341,570	1,430,876,320
<b>Plastics &amp; rubber</b>	1996	131,431,970	382,898,140
	1997	115,385,100	460,765,770
	1998	157,498,290	352,327,440
	1999	145,136,200	420,981,050
	2000	210,104,900	512,375,480
	2001	206,680,090	485,628,200
	2002	194,813,520	492,881,350
	2003	180,100,530	463,813,080
<b>Hides &amp; skins</b>	1996	3,585,040	91,076,870
	1997	4,862,240	62,907,210
	1998	5,703,860	39,993,420
	1999	4,484,040	39,894,320
	2000	7,282,440	57,206,250
	2001	7,632,470	50,339,110
	2002	7,437,650	43,974,220
	2003	10,524,010	35,308,520
<b>Wood &amp; wood products</b>	1996	45,357,830	16,744,440
	1997	44,127,620	25,620,830
	1998	30,720,620	16,184,730
	1999	31,880,850	23,759,130
	2000	33,549,340	24,637,310
	2001	27,869,790	20,113,590
	2002	21,365,840	15,638,240
	2003	18,853,810	11,928,730
<b>Wood pulp products</b>	1996	117,189,370	261,875,530
	1997	114,307,130	291,319,360
	1998	113,243,830	207,860,590
	1999	133,142,230	231,188,290
	2000	132,735,620	295,800,620
	2001	118,486,470	266,776,630
	2002	134,129,630	269,316,110
	2003	95,834,280	273,583,810
<b>Textiles &amp; textile articles</b>	1996	84,381,470	284,985,990
	1997	109,987,380	296,367,910
	1998	85,262,640	158,644,910
	1999	90,461,520	172,268,540
	2000	113,357,320	220,277,520
	2001	95,680,750	196,998,860
	2002	72,191,790	185,152,770
	2003	48,363,700	167,409,670
<b>Footwear, headgear</b>	1996	5,702,620	45,473,960
	1997	3,518,770	41,710,190
	1998	4,727,090	20,170,880
	1999	5,197,000	16,799,530
	2000	5,036,680	24,975,760
	2001	20,172,710	24,627,260
	2002	11,423,760	19,542,410
	2003	8,357,080	17,676,910
<b>Articles of stone, plaster,</b>	1996	6,816,940	298,174,840
	1997	8,860,290	281,530,210
	1998	17,033,810	192,232,270
	1999	21,566,510	188,858,070

<b>cement, asbestos</b>	2000	15,030,830	206,847,720
	2001	15,396,310	181,803,690
	2002	11,763,640	163,013,140
	2003	9,000,410	142,521,660
<b>Pearls, (semi-)precious stones, metals</b>	1996	198,993,840	391,876,720
	1997	168,452,160	246,628,570
	1998	426,176,850	129,839,350
	1999	112,152,200	161,952,230
	2000	78,229,920	205,657,430
	2001	124,785,950	196,620,630
	2002	94,566,300	170,941,040
<b>Base metals &amp; articles thereof</b>	2003	27,192,700	114,096,910
	1996	84,138,600	629,154,570
	1997	100,972,450	777,995,030
	1998	101,606,520	548,772,320
	1999	90,151,890	517,454,460
	2000	105,575,420	679,193,380
	2001	111,300,660	678,046,280
<b>Machinery &amp; mechanical appliances</b>	2002	117,239,280	711,201,020
	2003	105,712,400	750,099,180
	1996	5,208,146,840	4,008,355,780
	1997	6,612,417,380	4,545,764,600
	1998	8,570,907,940	4,410,570,650
	1999	8,359,271,560	5,088,723,980
	2000	11,405,045,730	6,961,448,360
<b>Transportation equipment</b>	2001	8,947,634,000	7,008,001,110
	2002	8,995,650,980	6,273,879,310
	2003	8,035,144,460	5,981,809,140
	1996	66,577,360	512,542,230
	1997	102,363,260	618,016,650
	1998	137,014,680	523,900,050
	1999	164,767,170	553,334,610
<b>Instruments - measuring, musical</b>	2000	223,833,260	686,570,130
	2001	107,946,870	683,552,200
	2002	137,048,690	881,913,940
	2003	415,720,660	1,365,351,720
	1996	159,551,500	388,447,860
	1997	208,322,750	479,548,320
	1998	258,685,440	393,514,030
<b>Arms &amp; ammunition</b>	1999	273,746,540	433,526,290
	2000	389,656,490	568,758,280
	2001	398,189,960	610,316,590
	2002	406,468,200	766,652,800
	2003	441,462,790	852,279,650
	1996	37,630	4,292,810
	1997	952,620	13,129,210
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	1998	1,966,120	8,887,470
	1999	215,560	7,504,870
	2000	1,050,770	11,068,600
	2001	796,150	15,481,680
	2002	1,322,760	7,907,620
	2003	312,470	7,300,500
	1996	33,043,690	183,863,680
	1997	32,908,960	196,740,330
	1998	26,556,980	128,172,410
	1999	24,140,290	151,838,560
	2000	25,309,070	193,184,710
	2001	26,226,850	162,449,680
	2002	27,302,050	150,207,010
	2003	22,338,470	123,717,420
	1996	8,444,550	12,453,850

Works of art	1997	10,815,620	20,191,410
	1998	8,337,500	8,001,990
	1999	6,474,400	19,887,600
	2000	3,227,250	11,427,250
	2001	9,236,010	11,976,320
	2002	3,300,430	9,524,020
	2003	2,672,710	7,346,760
Other	1996	36,152,520	37,156,860
	1997	46,917,100	30,077,140
	1998	63,614,890	55,307,220
	1999	49,165,180	87,616,360
	2000	57,322,320	110,739,300
	2001	72,726,200	160,795,450
	2002	74,491,720	360,250,010
	2003	64,251,300	64,901,220

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Agriculture and Fisheries

### Quantitative Restrictions and Related Measures

#### ● 970057- Import ban on chewing gum [2001-08-27]

Singapore is probably the only country in the world where import of chewing gum is prohibited for public safety reasons.

### Sanitary and phytosanitary measures

#### ● 040054-Singapore- Live bovines, bovine products and derivatives [2004-12-20]

Import restrictions to beef, beef products and by products due to BSE.

- General statement on BSE to all Third Countries on 17/03/2004 in reaction on the statement of the USA. 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 derivated 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).