Dairy imports exceed exports in every region except for Asia Pacific, Eastern Europe and Western Europe. The Middle East, Northern Africa and Japan have the largest regional net imports. The map shows territory-level imports. Territories with net imports may be part of regions with net exports.

We have shown maps of net trade. These show the flow of money out of territories on the import maps and into territories on the export maps. The goods go the opposite way.

Territory size shows the proportion of worldwide net imports of dairy produce (in US$) that are received there. Net imports are imports minus exports. When exports are larger than imports the territory is not shown.

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Jonathan S. White, 2001

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