

# **IG Agrarstandort Schweiz (IGAS)**

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# The work of the NFU



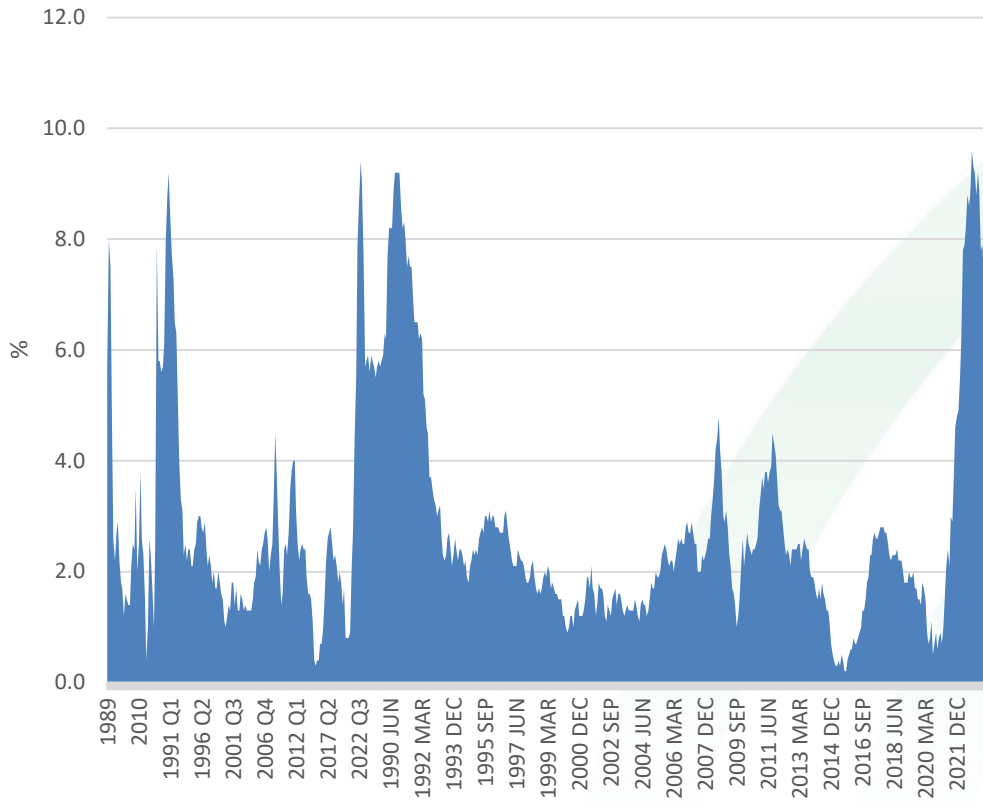
- The NFU represents more than 46,000 farming and growing businesses.
- Our purpose is to champion British agriculture and horticulture, to campaign for a stable and sustainable future for British farmers and to secure the best possible deal for our members.

# Campaigning & Influencing

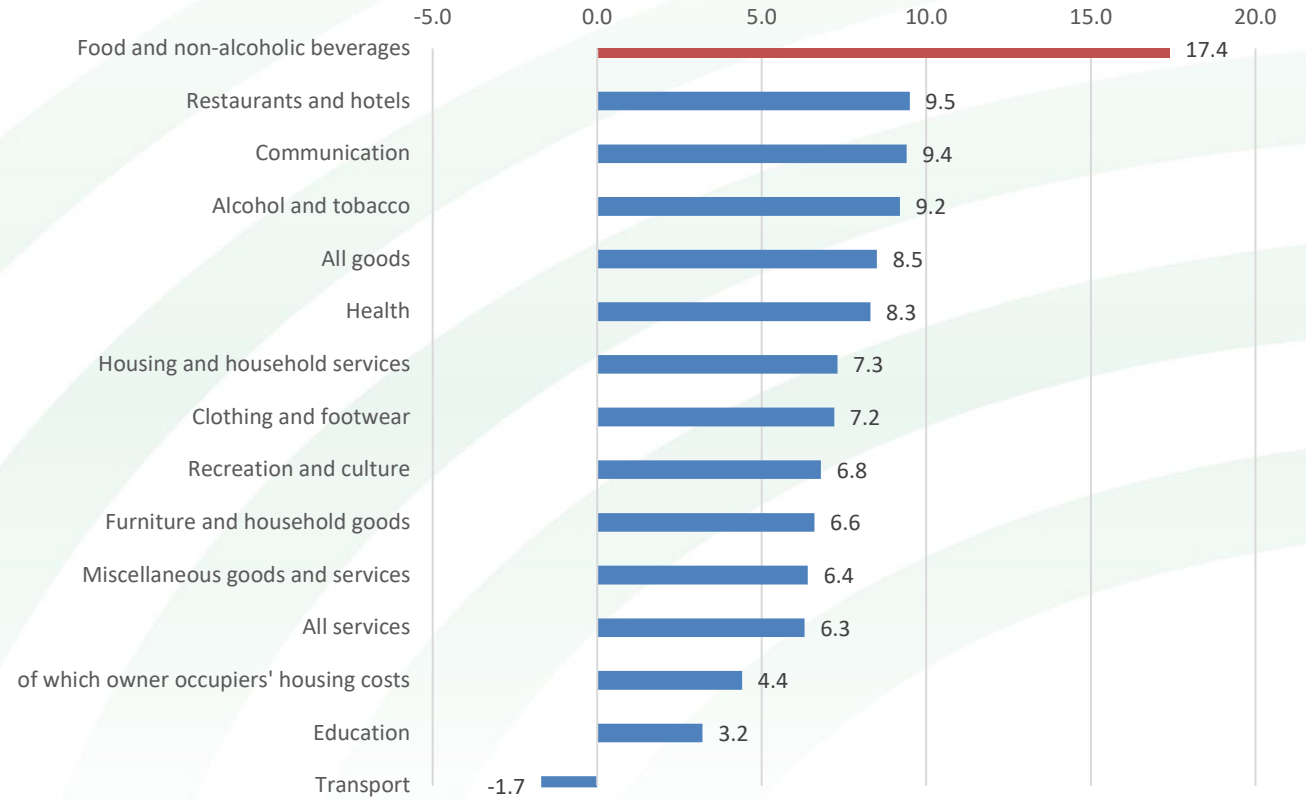


# Economic Situation - UK

Consumer Price Inflation 1989- present **6.4%**



Consumer price inflation (Divisions) (%) 12 month rate

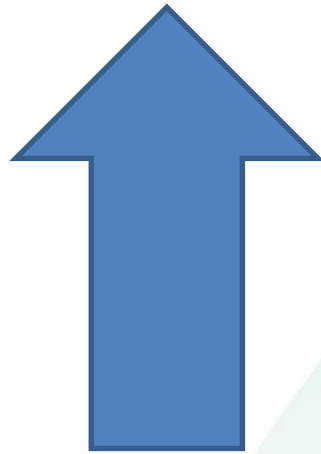


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# International Trade Trends

Value of food & live animal trade in 2022 compared to 2019



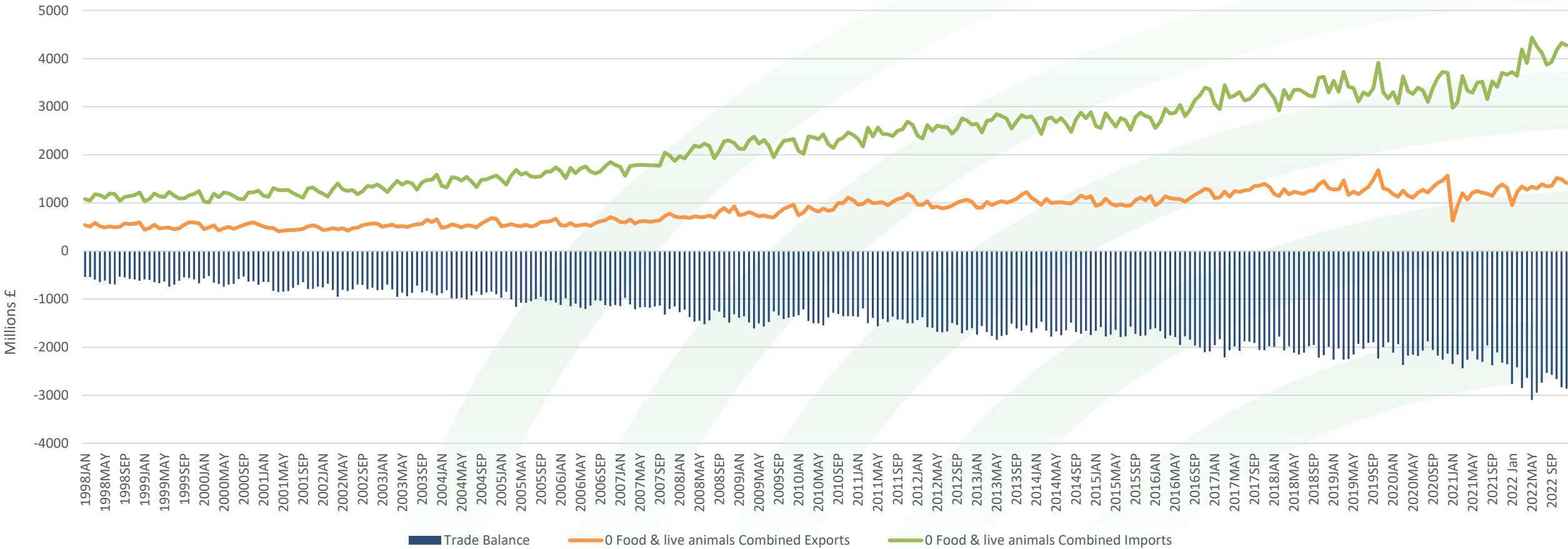
Imports up **16.3%**  
**£15.57bn**



Exports down **1.3%**  
**£47.6bn**

# Headwinds

## Balance of trade Total Agri Food Imports and Exports (current prices ONS)



# Farm to Fork Summit

- Innovation in the farming and food sectors
- Skills and sufficient labour
- New farming schemes
- Fairer supply chains
- Cutting red tape
- Sustainability
- Boosting Exports



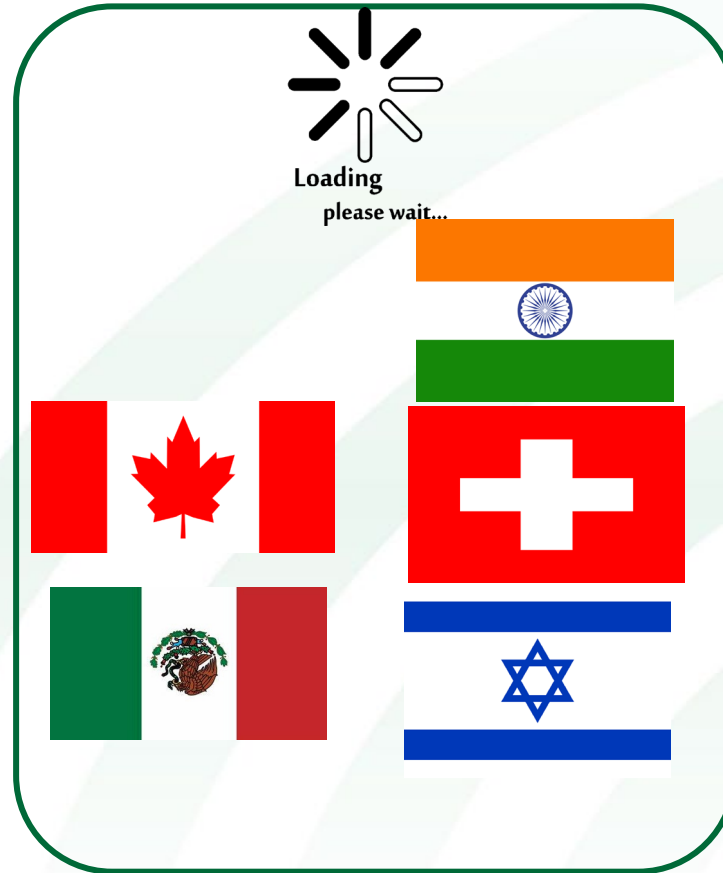
# Sustainability

- Landscape Strategy
- Integrated Water Management Strategy
- Voluntary Initiative (plant protection)
- Soil Health Action Plan
- Biodiversity – land sharing
- Net Zero by 2040
- Climate change Mitigation and Adaptation
- Air emissions
- New market opportunities
- Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanisms





# The UK's trade negotiation agenda



# Future Relationship and Partnership with Switzerland

