

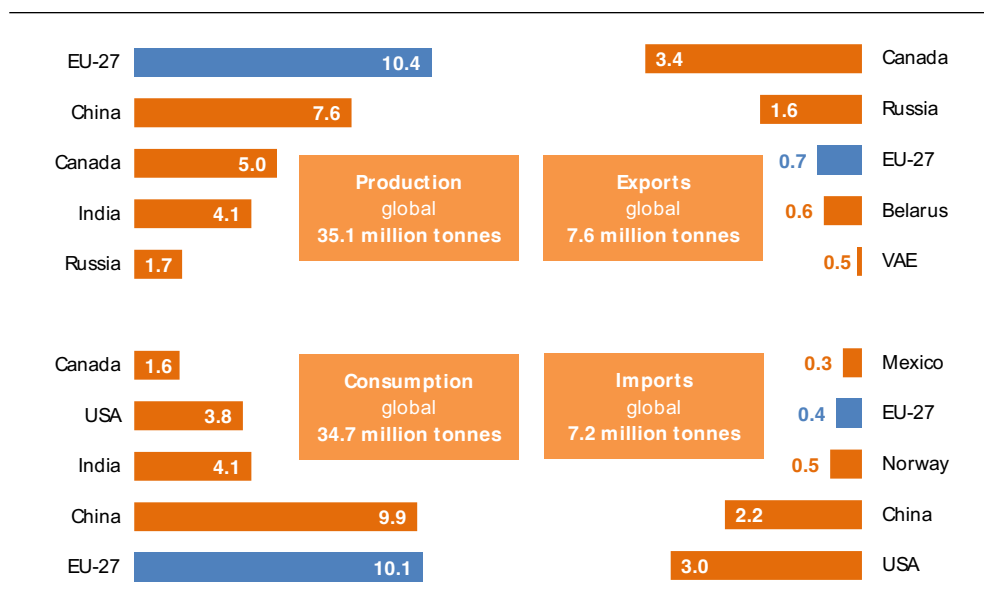
EU remains leading rapeseed oil producer

Berlin, 17 December 2025. – The EU remains the world's largest producer and consumer of rapeseed oil. China follows, unable to meet its demand entirely from domestic production and therefore having to rely on imports. However, imports have become more difficult due to the trade dispute with Canada.

The US Department of Agriculture (USDA) estimates global rapeseed oil output in the 2025/26 crop year at approximately 35.1 million tonnes, which represents an increase of around 1.4 million tonnes compared with the previous season. The EU is the largest consumer at just under 10.1 million tonnes, followed by China at 9.9 million tonnes and India at 4.1 million tonnes. The US is the largest rapeseed oil importer with imports amounting to 3.0 million tonnes, partly for biofuel production. While EU member states are virtually self-sufficient, China has to import 2.2 million tonnes.

While the US has settled its trade dispute with Canada, the largest global rapeseed oil exporter, as part of its biofuels policy, China's trade conflict with Canada continues. In March 2025, China imposed import duties of 100 per cent on Canadian rapeseed oil imports in response to duties Canada had imposed on imports of electric vehicles from China in the summer of 2024. For this reason, China has had to import rapeseed oil from other countries, which has led to appreciable changes in trade flows.

World market for rapeseed oil
Global supply balance, 2025/26 forecast, in million tonnes



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