

Demand for rapeseed imports declined due to an improved supply situation in the EU

Berlin, 14 January 2026. – According to European Commission estimates, the rapeseed harvest in the EU-27 totalled around 20.16 million tonnes in 2025. This translates to a significant increase in supply compared to the previous year's substandard 16.77 million tonnes. With the rapeseed processing volume expected to reach around 24.68 million tonnes, it also makes the EU less dependent on imports.

Cumulative imports into the EU-27 in the first half of the crop year 2025/26 amounted to approximately 1.85 million tonnes, representing a nearly 43 per cent decline from the previous year's level of 3.23 million tonnes. Ukraine remains the leading supplier country with just over 1.06 million tonnes to date and a 57 per cent share of imports. Nevertheless, the country's shipments remain clearly below the previous year's volume of 2.02 million tonnes.

The second wave of imports from Australia will increasingly come into focus later on in the season. By January, Australia had placed 249,869 tonnes of rapeseed on the EU market, ranking second among the major countries of origin with a share of just under 14 per cent, but trailing well behind Ukraine. According to investigations conducted by Agrarmarkt Informations-Gesellschaft (mbH), deliveries remained approximately 71 per cent below the level recorded in the reference period.

Canada continued to lose market share. The country delivered 140,915 tonnes of rapeseed to date, which compares to 161,347 tonnes the previous year. Because Canadian farmers grow genetically modified varieties, the use of rapeseed oil derived from Canadian rapeseed is restricted in the EU. As a result, imports from Canada are primarily used for biofuel production.

By contrast, Moldova and Serbia ramped up their deliveries significantly compared to the first half of the crop year 2024/25, supplying 247,357 tonnes (previous year: 85,611 tonnes) and 114,171 tonnes (previous year: 44,501 tonnes), respectively. Some of the rapeseed imports declared as Moldovan are likely to be of Ukrainian origin, reflecting changes in transit and trade routes.



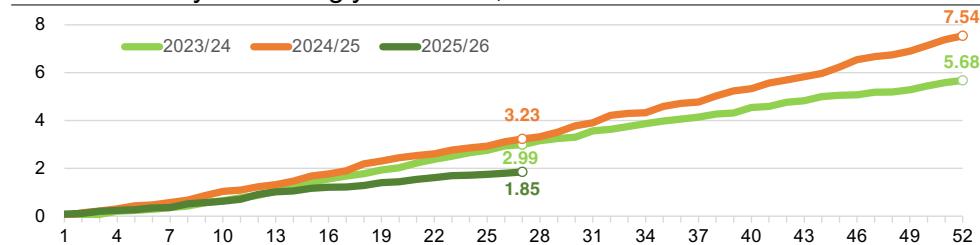
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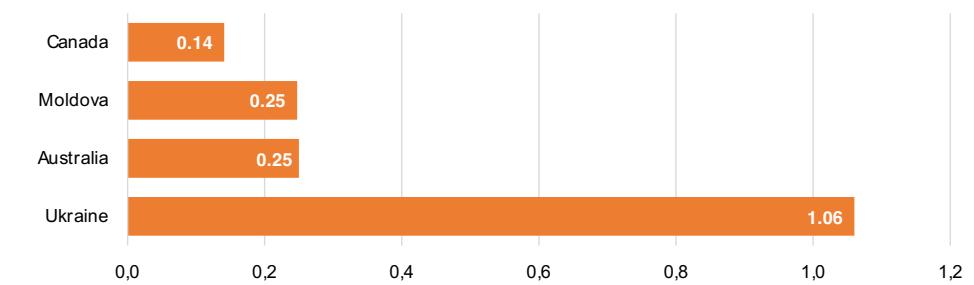
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Weekly rapeseed imports to the EU-27 by marketing year weeks, in million tonnes



EU rapeseed imports 01 July 2025 to 04 January 2026, in million tonnes



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