

1.1. Data Availability

While the data Query section explains how to retrieve information on commodities (e.g., quantities in terms of trade value, mass or number of items exported), the Data Availability section deals with the *amount of data records collected* for a given selection, whatever type they are.

Several interfaces provide the User with data availability results, for instance the already discussed [Comtrade Explorer](#).

The Data Availability functions are activated through the links below:

Data Availability
Interactive
in Graph
Reporters
Commodities
Years
by Date of Loading

Figure 1: Data availability function in the main interface

1.1.1. Interactive

The Interactive interface is reproduced below, with a selection already carried out:

Data Availability Interactive

Step 1. Choose filter

The first option will filter combinations with trade data.

Show all possible combinations
 Show just with trade data

Step 2. Select Classification

Numbers in bracket indicate number of records

BEC (3895839) Number of records collected for the selected classification

Step 3. Select Reporter and/or Year

Numbers in bracket indicate number of records in the selection.
 * means that data were converted from other classification. See [Disclaimer](#) (reported and converted data).

Reporter: Antigua and Barbuda (4283) Year: 2000 (2214)*

Step 4. Select Trade Flow and/or Commodity and/or Partner

Numbers in indicate number of total records and value in the selection Trade value for the selection

Trade Flow: Export (541) Partner:

Commodity: 21 (19 - \$826,314.00) - Industrial supplies nes, primary

Figure 2: Data Availability Interactive interface – selection in effect

The comments in the form itself explain the role of each field. The values between parentheses are the number of records collected for the selected classification.

Clicking 'Go to Comtrade Explorer' brings up the usual reporting interface (see [above](#)) with a graph display:

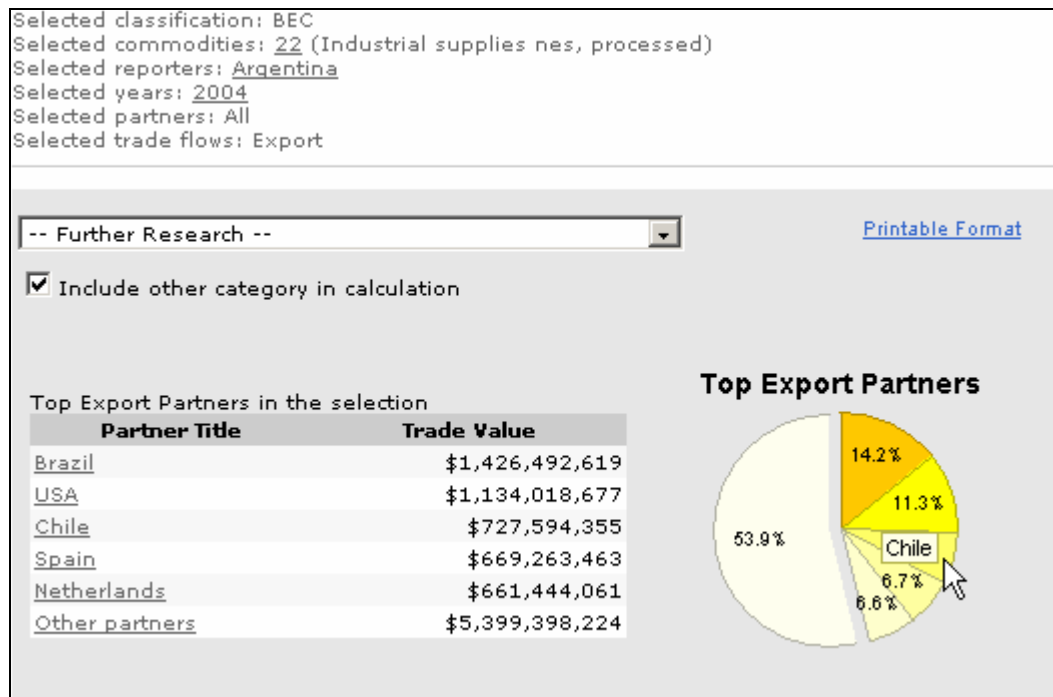


Figure 3: Comtrade Explorer for Interactive interface

1.1.2. In Graph

The 'In Graph' interface is reproduced below, with a selection already carried out:



Figure 4: 'In Graph' results

The filter part of the interface makes it possible to select the reporting country, commodity codes and years. Two bars at the top and bottom of the filter area allow the User to select a year range and a geographic entity (e.g., European Union), instead of a country and one or more years. The [Lookup](#) links brings an already met interface that makes it possible to select commodities by their names instead of their codes, or to select standard Favorites.

In this interface, the results are contained in the same form as the filter values, and displayed as a bar chart. All the classification types are used and appear with different colors. Moving the mouse cursor over a bar displays the real number of data records, like exemplified above.

Double-clicking a bar (here, the first one) details the data records selected in the familiar Basic Query report form:

Basic Query Results: [help](#)

Statistics: 296 rows returned in 0.27 seconds.
 Your access has been restricted to **Normal View**. Please contact us, if you need further information.

Quick filter

Selected classification: BEC
 Selected commodities: 12 (Food and beverages, processed)
 Selected reporters: Australia
 Selected years: 2000
 Selected partners: All
 Selected trade flows: All

Sort Order:

[Modify Selection](#) [View Graph](#) [Printable Format](#) [View Explanatory Notes](#) [SDMX Download](#)
[View Not-Available-Data](#)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...

Period	Trade Flow	Reporter	Partner	Code	Trade Value	NetWeight (kg)	Quantity Unit	Trade Quantity
2000	Export	Australia	World	<u>12</u>	\$6,803,180,919	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Japan	<u>12</u>	\$1,635,831,771	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	USA	<u>12</u>	\$1,210,823,499	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	United Kingdom	<u>12</u>	\$471,891,332	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	New Zealand	<u>12</u>	\$317,450,535	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Philippines	<u>12</u>	\$260,518,844	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Rep. of Korea	<u>12</u>	\$244,102,577	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Other Asia, nes	<u>12</u>	\$227,015,983	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Special Categories	<u>12</u>	\$204,541,425	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Singapore	<u>12</u>	\$204,165,112	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Canada	<u>12</u>	\$180,912,521	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Malaysia	<u>12</u>	\$159,866,801	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	China, Hong Kong SAR	<u>12</u>	\$155,976,470	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Saudi Arabia	<u>12</u>	\$132,198,958	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Indonesia	<u>12</u>	\$114,185,287	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Thailand	<u>12</u>	\$113,331,528	0	<u>1</u>	0
2000	Export	Australia	Netherlands	<u>12</u>	\$80,481,009	0	<u>1</u>	0

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Figure 5: the data records selected from the In Graph interface (partial)

Refer to [fig. 44](#) in the Basic Selection section for comments on this report.

1.1.3. Reporters

This function allows Users to filter the data records by Reporters (i.e. statistics provider countries) and year. The commodity classification is also used.

The Reporters interface – with country names beginning by Z – is reproduced below:

Data Availability - Reporters by Years

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A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z All

Input keywords: Search

Search Results

Number of reporters: 2

Code	Name	BEC	HS2002	HS1996	HS1992	SITC Rev.3	SITC Rev.2	SITC Rev.1
894	Zambia View Description	1998 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	2002 , 2004 , ALL	1997 , 1998 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	1995 , 1998 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	1993 , 1995 , 1998 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	1976 , 1977 , 1978 , 1979 , 1993 , 1995 , 1998 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	1966 , 1967 , 1970 , 1971 , 1972 , 1973 , 1974 , 1975 , 1976 , 1977 , 1978 , 1979 , 1993 , 1995 , 1998 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL
716	Zimbabwe View Description	1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	2004 , ALL	2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	1995 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	1990 , 1991 , 1992 , 1993 , 1994 , 1995 , 1996 , 1997 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	1984 , 1985 , 1986 , 1990 , 1991 , 1992 , 1993 , 1994 , 1995 , 1996 , 1997 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL	1984 , 1985 , 1986 , 1990 , 1991 , 1992 , 1993 , 1994 , 1995 , 1996 , 1997 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2004 , ALL

Figure 6: Reporter countries by year and classification codes

As usual, clicking an underlined year displays detailed information on the data records provided this year. The Basic Query processor is used.

Clicking View Description under a country name brings up information data on the selected country with links to other reporting interfaces, some of which we already met:

Code	Name	ISO	Valid Years
894	Abbreviation: Zambia Full Name: Zambia Description: N/A Comment: N/A Type: Reporters/Partners	ZM/ZMB	1965 - Now

Links to reporting interfaces

- Data Availability
- Explanatory Notes
- Snapshot
- ITC Country Profile
- Trade Compilation

Figure 7: Reporter interface – information on country

1.1.4. Commodities

This processor makes it possible to filter the provided data records by Commodities. Commodities are selected from a [tree-structured list](#) we already described in the Basic Selection section:

Data Availability - Commodities

Select Commodities

Search & Select the commodities to be checked for data availability

SITC Rev.1
 SITC Rev.2
 SITC Rev.3
 HS1992
 HS1996
 HS2002
 BEC

Step 1. Select Source

Commodities Search

Step 2. Select Items

Search / Select then Add

food in BEC

Search All commodities

Here are the results: Include the children

- TOTAL - All Categories
 - 1 - Food and beverages
 - 11 - Food and beverages, primary
 - 111 - Food and beverages, primary, mainly for industry
 - 112 - Food and beverages, primary, mainly for household consumption
 - 11 - Food and beverages, primary
 - 12 - Food and beverages, processed
 - 121 - Food and beverages, processed, mainly for industry
 - 122 - Food and beverages, processed, mainly for household consumption
 - 1 - Food and beverages

Selected Items

- 111 - Food and...
- 121 - Food and...

Figure 8: commodity selection – food is the main selection – two items selected

Once the nodes or leaves are selected, clicking Add stores them in the Selected Items frame.

Clicking Continue displays the query results:

Search Results: General Data Availability		
Total Available Commodities : 2 for commodity codes: 111, 121(BEC)		
Code	Name	Data Availability
111	Food and beverages, primary, mainly for industry View Description View Snapshot	1998 - 2004 172 countries with 75847 records reported.
121	Food and beverages, processed, mainly for industry View Description View Snapshot	1998 - 2004 172 countries with 80958 records reported.
		1
Search Results: Detail Data Availability		
Total Reported Reporters : 177 for commodity codes: 111, 121(BEC)		
Code	Reporter	Years
	-All Reporters-	1998 , 1999 , 2000 , 2001 , 2002 , 2003 , 2004 , ALL
8	Albania	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , 1998 , 1999 , ALL
12	Algeria	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , 1998 , 1999 , ALL
20	Andorra	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , 1998 , 1999 , ALL
660	Anguilla	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , ALL
28	Antigua and Barbuda	2000 , 1999 , ALL
32	Argentina	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , 1998 , 1999 , ALL
51	Armenia	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 1999 , ALL
533	Aruba	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , ALL
36	Australia	2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , 1998 , 1999 , ALL
40	Austria	2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , 1998 , 1999 , ALL
31	Azerbaijan	2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , 1998 , 1999 , ALL
44	Bahamas	2000 , 2001 , 1998 , 1999 , ALL
48	Bahrain	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , ALL
50	Banladesh	2004 , 2002 , 2003 , 2000 , 2001 , 1998 , ALL

Two food items selected

Figure 9: commodities – report for two selected items – Data Availability

Clicking View description brings up the Commodity List interface; clicking Snapshot leads to the Comtrade Explorer [Snapshot](#) form.

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Again, clicking a highlighted year leads to the Basic Query [reporting form](#):

Selected classification: BEC
 Selected commodities: [111](#) (Food and beverages, primary, mainly for industry), [121](#) (Food and beverages, processed, mainly for industry)
 Selected reporters: [Albania](#)
 Selected years: [1999](#)
 Selected partners: All
 Selected trade flows: All

Sort Order: Refresh

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[View Not-Available-Data](#)

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Period	Trade Flow	Reporter	Partner	Code	Trade Value	NetWeight (kg)	Quantity Unit	Trade Quantity
1999	Export	Albania	World	111	\$89,563	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	TFYR of Macedonia	111	\$50,024	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	France	111	\$13,924	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	Greece	111	\$10,371	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	Italy	111	\$9,437	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	Serbia and Montenegro	111	\$5,807	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	World	121	\$465,059	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	Serbia and Montenegro	121	\$327,353	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	TFYR of Macedonia	121	\$81,542	0	1	0
1999	Export	Albania	Croatia	121	\$56,164	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	World	111	\$22,960,303	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	Bulgaria	111	\$4,555,771	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	Greece	111	\$3,177,447	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	Italy	111	\$3,008,178	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	Romania	111	\$2,523,751	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	Egypt	111	\$2,232,014	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	Turkey	111	\$1,282,368	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	France	111	\$848,267	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	Spain	111	\$791,826	0	1	0
1999	Import	Albania	Czech Rep.	111	\$689,713	0	1	0

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Figure 10: report on specific year for selected commodities – Data Availability

1.1.5. Year

The Year processor makes it possible to get data availability information by year and country, as illustrated below:

Data Availability - Years by Reporters

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1962-1965	1966-1970	1971-1975	1976-1980	1981-1985
1986-1990	1991-1995	1996-2000	Recent Years	All Years

Year range selection

Search Results

Number of years (2004,2003,2002,2001,2000) by classifications: 33

Year	Classification	Reporters
2004 View Snapshot	SITC Rev.3	Albania , Algeria , Andorra , Azerbaijan , Argentina , Austria , Bahrain , Bangladesh , Armenia , Barbados , Belgium , Bolivia , Bosnia Herzegovina , Brazil , EU-25 , Bulgaria , Burundi , Belarus , Cambodia , Cameroon , Canada , Sri Lanka , Chile , China , Colombia , Cook Isds , Croatia , Cyprus , Czech Rep. , Denmark , Dominica , Ecuador , Estonia , Fiji , Finland , France , French Polynesia , Gabon , Georgia , Germany , Ghana , Greece , Guyana , China , Hong Kong SAR , Iceland , Indonesia , Ireland , Israel , Italy , Japan , Kazakhstan , Jordan , Kenya , Rep. of Korea , Latvia , Libya , Lithuania , Luxembourg , China , Macao SAR , Madaqascar , Malawi , Malaysia , Maldives , Malta , Mauritius , Mexico , Other Asia, nes , Rep. of Moldova , Morocco , Oman , Netherlands , Aruba , New Caledonia , New Zealand , Nicaragua , Norway , Pakistan , Panama , Paraguay , Peru , Poland , Portugal , Qatar , Romania , Russian Federation , Anquilla , Saint Lucia , Saint Vincent and the Grenadines , Senegal , Seychelles , Singapore , Slovakia , Slovenia , South Africa , Zimbabwe , Sweden , Switzerland , Syria , Toqo , Tunisia , Turkey , Turks and Caicos Isds , Uqanda , TFYR of Macedonia , United Kingdom , United Rep. of Tanzania , USA , Uruquay , Venezuela , Samoa , Yemen , Zambia , ALL
2004 View Snapshot	SITC Rev.2	Albania , Algeria , Andorra , Azerbaijan , Argentina , Austria , Bahrain , Bangladesh , Armenia , Barbados , Belgium , Bolivia , Bosnia Herzegovina , Brazil , Bulgaria , Burundi , Belarus , Cambodia , Cameroon , Canada , Sri Lanka , Chile , China , Colombia , Cook Isds , Croatia , Cyprus , Czech Rep. , Denmark , Dominica , Ecuador , Estonia , Fiji , Finland , France , French Polynesia , Gabon , Georgia , Germany , Ghana , Greece , Guyana , China , Hong Kong SAR , Iceland , Indonesia , Ireland , Israel , Italy , Japan , Kazakhstan , Jordan , Kenya , Rep. of Korea , Latvia , Libya , Lithuania , Luxembourg , China , Macao SAR , Madaqascar , Malawi , Malaysia , Maldives , Malta , Mauritius , Mexico , Other Asia, nes , Rep. of Moldova , Morocco , Oman , Netherlands , Aruba , New Caledonia , New Zealand , Nicaragua , Norway , Pakistan , Panama , Paraguay , Peru , Poland , Portugal , Qatar , Romania , Russian Federation , Anquilla , Saint Lucia , Saint Vincent and the Grenadines , Senegal , Seychelles , Singapore , Slovakia , Slovenia , South Africa , Zimbabwe , Sweden , Switzerland , Syria , Toqo , Tunisia , Turkey , Turks and Caicos Isds , Uqanda , TFYR of Macedonia , United Kingdom , United Rep. of Tanzania , USA , Uruquay , Venezuela ,

Figure 11: Year reporting for Data Availability

The following points should be noted:

- Clicking View Snapshot displays the already met Comtrade Explorer [snapshot](#).
- Clicking an underlined country brings up a [Basic Query](#) report.
- Moving the mouse cursor over a country displays the number of records collected for the current selection.

1.1.6. By Date of Loading

The 'By Date of Loading' entry makes it possible to get data availability information by record upload date, as illustrated below:

The screenshot shows the 'Recently Loaded Data' interface. At the top, there is a 'Disclaimer (reported and converted data)' and an 'RSS' link. Below this is 'Step 1. Select Selection Filter' with four dropdown menus: 'Classification: (All)', 'Reporter: (All)', 'Year: (All)', and 'Loaded: 1 month ago'. A callout box labeled 'Filter section' points to the 'Loaded' dropdown. Below the filter is 'Step 2. View Search Results' with the text 'Showing only top 50 records.' and a table of records.

Upload Date	Year	Classification	Reporters
07 Oct 2005	2004	SITC Rev.3	Kazakhstan
07 Oct 2005	2004	SITC Rev.2	Kazakhstan
07 Oct 2005	2004	SITC Rev.1	Kazakhstan
07 Oct 2005	2004	HS2002	Kazakhstan
07 Oct 2005	2004	HS1996	Kazakhstan
07 Oct 2005	2004	BEC	Kazakhstan
05 Oct 2005	2002	HS1996	Cook Isds, Montserrat
05 Oct 2005	2001	HS1996	Cook Isds, Montserrat, Mozambique, United Arab Emirates
05 Oct 2005	2000	HS1996	Tajikistan, Tonga, United Arab Emirates
05 Oct 2005	1999	HS1996	Mozambique, United Arab Emirates
04 Oct 2005	2004	SITC Rev.3	Latvia, Mexico, Slovenia, Zambia
04 Oct 2005	2004	SITC Rev.2	Latvia, Libya, Mexico, Slovenia, Zambia

Figure 12: selection by record upload date – Data Availability – ‘one month ago’

In this example, the only filter parameter is the upload date, and it is set to ‘1 month ago’. The picture below shows the possible values:

A close-up of the 'Loaded:' dropdown menu. The current selection is '1 month ago'. The dropdown list shows the following options: '(All)', '1 month ago', '6 month ago', '12 month ago', and '24 month ago'.

Figure 13: possible values for date selection

As usual, clicking an underlined country allows Users to get trade details on it.