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Country	Quantity (Metric Tonnes)			Total	Value (USD Million)			Total
	Field crops	Vegetable crops	Flower seed		Field crops	Vegetable crops	Flower seed	
United States	232'340	14'616	468	247'424	873	369	70	1'312
Germany	178'954	4'148	744	183'846	590	90	20	700
France	135'980	5'908	406	142'294	540	137	10	687
Netherlands	150'340	15'398	732	166'470	263	373	49	685
Italy	206'124	5'539	130	211'793	242	170	10	422
Spain	133'898	7'201	304	141'403	176	197	1	374
Russian Federation	45'780	2'861	82	48'723	310	58	5	373
Mexico	31'123	2'098	102	33'323	133	221	1	355
United Kingdom	47'780	4'162	400	52'342	202	70	15	287
China	36'348	7'535	78	43'961	143	111	14	268
Ukraine	45'355	373		45'728	238	30		268
Japan	42'355	5'413	123	47'891	98	113	20	231
Belgium	49'550	2'726	100	52'376	195	31	2	228
Canada	51'200	2'933	624	54'757	133	75	15	223
Turkey	25'465	1'468	5	26'938	64	122	2	188
Poland	70'090	915	166	71'171	122	50	3	175
Romania	49'575	1'127	387	51'089	129	16	2	147
Hungary	45'342	1'347		46'689	125	14		139
Brazil	30'083	845	28	30'956	50	67	3	120
Australia	30'125	1'599	25	31'749	57	53	3	113
Korea, Republic of	27'700	2'605	462	30'767	31	73	7	111
Austria	38'000	555	98	38'653	97	13	1	111
Denmark	56'750	1'152	20	57'922	81	24	1	106
South Africa	71'200	1'222	10	72'432	68	32	1	101
Argentina	32'398	259		32'657	77	18		95

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Morocco	7'315	1'298		8'613	46	47		93
Czech Republic	16'554	499		17'053	83	8		91
India	18'700	1'862	69	20'631	23	52	9	84
Portugal	31'233	1'393		32'626	42	29		71
Bulgaria	19'351	1'110		20'461	62	7		69
Slovakia	21'250	394		21'644	65	4		69
Greece	15'787	1'945		17'732	45	21		66
Switzerland	8'700	282	47	9'029	46	14	2	62
Paraguay	n.a.	26		26	56	1		57
Egypt	1'700	n.a.		1'700	17	36		53
Serbia	4'554	147		4'701	44	7		51
Israel	3'250	n.a.		3'250	19	30		49
Saudi Arabia	11'000	350	1	11'351	27	19	1	47
Pakistan	n.a.	4'604		4'604	18	27		45
Sweden	6'424	667	279	7'370	34	8	3	45
Chile	n.a.	172	6	178	24	19	1	44
Belarus	4'900	234		5'134	29	11		40
Iran	1'500	254		1'754	22	14		36
Colombia	11'158	180	2	11'340	22	12	1	35
Kazakhstan	1'400	112		1'512	25	10		35
China, Taiwan	938	2'212		3'150	18	16		34
Thailand	1'654	1'813		3'467	12	21		33
New Zealand	2'344	331		2'675	15	17		32
Vietnam	3'384	980		4'364	19	12		31
Ireland	16'648	214	137	16'999	26	2	1	29

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Philippines	n.a.	581		581	18	9		27
China, Hong-Kong	989	1'647	14	2'650	2	23	1	26
Algeria	4'400	947		5'347	9	17		26
Kenya	1'361	760		2'121	17	8		25
Venezuela		130		130		23		23
Jordan	465	460		925	6	17		23
Peru	500	140		640	11	12		23
Finland	3'887	129	20	4'036	13	9	1	23
Lithuania	4'150	204		4'354	20	3		23
Uruguay	n.a.	30		30	18	3		21
Latvia	5'279	99		5'378	20	1		21
Guatemala	758	118	60	936	10	7	3	20
Croatia	9'836	229		10'065	14	6		20
Moldova	2'350	14		2'364	18	1		19
Zambia	6'914			6'914	18			18
Norway	4'000	38	22	4'060	9	7	1	17
Indonesia	20'890	214		21'104	11	5		16
Lebanon	775	452		1'227	6	9		15
United Arab Emirates	5'461	910		6'371	6	8		14
Singapore	1'577	269		1'846	7	6		13
Uzbekistan	790	255		1'045	7	6		13
Slovenia	7'793	224		8'017	8	5		13
Tunisia	787	750		1'537	5	7		12
Nicaragua	4'318	61		4'379	11	1		12
Ecuador	288	105		393	2	9		11

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Costa Rica	795	186		981	7	4		11
Luxemburg	4'498			4'498	11			11
Syria	200	80		280	4	4		8
Cyprus	21'344	67		21'411	7	1		8
Senegal	249	126		375	1	6		7
Sri Lanka	n.a.	389		389	1	6		7
Honduras	591	155		746	3	4		7
Rwanda	1'275			1'275	7			7
Panama	n.a.			0	7			7
Dominican Republic		n.a.		0		6		6
Bolivia	2'077	26		2'103	5	1		6
Malaysia	375	925		1'300	2	3		5
Albania	1'542	28		1'570	4	1		5
Sudan		174		174		4		4
Ethiopia	119	141		260	1	3		4
Zimbabwe	1'036	85		1'121	2	2		4
Estonia	1'910			1'910	4			4
Iraq	100			100	4			4
Ghana		125		125		3		3
Kuwait		197		197		3		3
Macedonia, FYR		21		21		3		3
Uganda		169		169		3		3
Bosnia & Herzegovina	790	121		911	2	1		3
Burma	1'547			1'547	3			3
Angola	35			35	3			3

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Cameroon		77		77		2		2
Yemen		109		109		2		2
Georgia	87	140		227	1	1		2
Tanzania	200	93		293	1	1		2
Dominica		9		9		1		1
El Salvador		27		27		1		1
Jamaica		84		84		1		1
Kyrgyzstan		16		16		1		1
Mali		54		54		1		1
Mauritius		72		72		1		1
Namibia		167		167		1		1
Niger		33		33		1		1
Nigeria		86		86		1		1
Oman		207		207		1		1
Madagascar	551			551	1			1
Total	2'200'488	128'039	6'151	2'334'678	6'223	3'247	279	9'749

Notes

- Only seed imports with a value greater than USD 1 million have been reported
- Flower seed includes seed of herbaceous and non-herbaceous plants cultivated mainly for flowers
- Field crops seed includes seed of pulses, cereals, industrial crops and forages
- Vegetable crops seed includes seed of all vegetable crops
- Potato seed and mushrooms are not included

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