The Netherlands imported around 1,300,000 tonnes of palm oil and 1,200,000 tonnes of palm kernel meal in 2012. That palm oil was used in the production of a wide range of products and as a source of energy for transportation in the form of biodiesel.

Europe Economics was asked to estimate the scale of the downstream economic activity associated with palm oil across the EU and in individual Member States, and the induced impact of the demand created by that economic activity.

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The downstream economic activity associated with palm oil includes firms making those products; firms producing complementary raw materials (such as in agriculture); firms distributing those products, such as supermarkets; and firms supporting manufacturers using palm oil, such as those offering freight transportation or professional services.

For more information on results across the EU and how the estimates were produced, see the full report *The Economic Impacts of Palm Oil Imports in the EU.*