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This analysis provides a comprehensive overview of the information submitted by the 27 Member States of the European Union (EU) and five candidate countries (Figure 1) in their 2010 annual reports to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). It describes their trade in species listed in the Appendices to CITES and the Annexes of the Wildlife Trade Regulations, which enforce CITES in the EU.

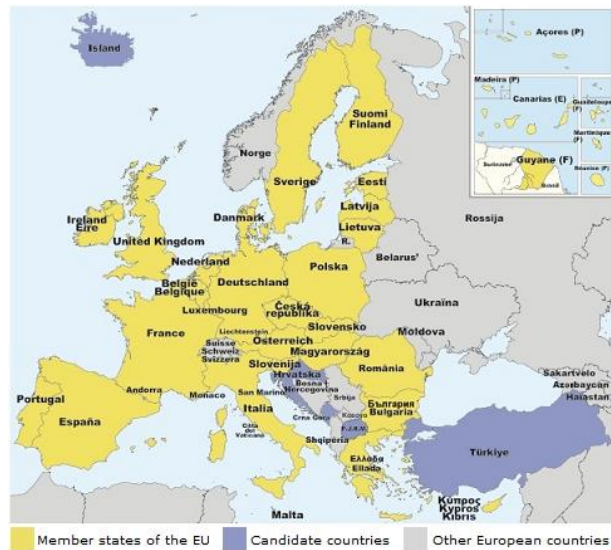


Figure 1: EU Member States and candidate countries in 2010 © European Commission

During 2010, the relevant Wildlife Trade Regulations were Council Regulation (EU) No 338/97, (EC) No 407/2009 and (EC) No 709/2010, and Implementing Regulation (EC) No 865/2006 amended by (EC) No 100/2008.

Data on trade between EU Member States, trade in artificially propagated Appendix II plants, and re-exports of manufactured articles were excluded from the analysis. Trade recorded as a seizure/confiscation (source 'I') was also excluded, as reporting is inconsistent and incomplete within the CITES Trade Database. Where appropriate, conversion factors were applied to terms and units to facilitate analysis (see Annex C).

Throughout the text, certain country names have been abbreviated; a key to these abbreviations is provided in Annex D.

A. Annual reports included

The 2010 data used for the analysis were taken from the CITES Trade Database on the 24th of April 2012, following the submission of CITES annual reports by Member States and their key trading partners.

This analysis only includes data from three of the five candidate countries: Croatia, Montenegro and Turkey. Annual reports had not yet been received from FYR Macedonia or Iceland at the time of analysis.

Table 1 lists the 76 non-EU CITES Parties and dependent territories (including the candidate countries) that had submitted their annual reports for 2010 at the time of the analysis.

Table 1: Third-party CITES annual reports for 2010 available at the time of analysis (24th April 2012).

Countries and Territories	Basis of reporting	Countries and Territories	Basis of reporting
Algeria	--	Monaco	Permits issued
Argentina	--	Mongolia	Permits issued
Armenia	Permits issued	Montenegro	--
Aruba (NL)	--	Morocco	Permits issued
Bangladesh	--	Mozambique*	--
Benin*	--	Myanmar	--
Botswana	--	Namibia	--
Burkina Faso*	--	New Zealand	Permits issued
Cape Verde*	Permits issued	Niger	--
Central African Republic*	--		Permits issued/ Actual trade
China	--	Norway	--
Colombia	Permits issued	Oman	--
Congo*	Actual trade	Paraguay	Permits issued
Costa Rica	--	Peru	--
Croatia	Actual trade	Qatar	Permits issued
Cuba	--	Saint Kitts and Nevis	--
Dominican Republic	--	San Marino	--
Ecuador	--	Senegal*	Permits issued
El Salvador	Permits issued	Singapore	Permits issued
Ethiopia*	--	South Africa	--
Fiji	--	Sudan*	--
Gabon*	--	Suriname	Permits issued
Georgia	--	Tanzania*	Actual trade
Ghana	--	Thailand	--
Guinea*	--	Togo*	--
	Permits issued/ Actual trade	Trinidad and Tobago	--
Guyana	--	Turkey	Permits issued
Hong Kong	--	United Arab Emirates	--
India	--	United States	Actual trade
Indonesia*	Actual trade	Uruguay	Permits issued
Jamaica*	Permits issued		Permits issued/ Actual trade
Japan \diamond	Actual trade	Uzbekistan	--
Jordan*	--	Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	Permits issued
Kenya	Permits issued	Viet Nam	Permits issued
Korea, Republic of	Permits issued	Zambia	Permits issued
Kuwait	Permits issued	Zimbabwe	--
Libya	Permits issued		
Macau	Permits issued		
Madagascar	Permits issued		
Malaysia	--		
Mali*	Permits issued		
Mexico	--		
Moldova	--		

Key: *reporting exports only; \diamond includes introductions from the sea; '--'not specified