

# *eurofacts Data Sheet No 5*

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**The UK does 50% more of its trade with  
the world OUTSIDE the EU than WITH the EU:**

Exports* OUTSIDE the EU-15 in 2003:	£250 bn (60 per cent)
Exports* TO the EU-15 in 2003:	£167 bn (40 per cent)

*\*comprising Goods, Services, Income & Transfers*

*Source:* estimate made by adjusting the official non-EU/EU split of 51/49 to take account of two distortions which overstate the EU figures: the Rotterdam-Antwerp Effect and the Netherlands Distortion.

Global Britain Briefing Note No 37, *World Trade in 2003...*, November 2004, [www.globalbritain.org](http://www.globalbritain.org), refers.