

Food Imports Soar

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Russia's food imports jumped 24 percent in December after the country's worst drought in at least 50 years.

Imports of vegetable oils and sugar almost doubled, while grain deliveries jumped 47 percent.

Meat imports rose 7.9 percent, the Federal Customs Service said on its web site Friday.

In 2010, food imports rose 23 percent to \$3.72 billion, the service said.

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