

ALDI EINKAUF SE & Co. oHG

CONSTITUENCY INDUSTRY, TRADE AND FINANCE

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Please state what the main activities of your organization are, both overall and those specifically linked to soy production:

→ Retailer

Please state in which regions the organization operates

→ Europe: Germany, Poland, Denmark, Portugal, Spain, The Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, France

Is the person reporting for the entire organization or a specific region? (please, state which one)

→ The entire group of companies

What is the organization's policy on soy

please provide link if available

→ Aldi Nord Einkauf SE & Co. oHG aims to use only sustainable soy feed in animal products by the end of 2025 with at least 50% from physical supply chains, either certified according to deforestation-free standards or from deforestation-free origins.

OPERATIONS RELATED TO SOY

What is your organization's annual soy footprint?

Please state direct use and indirect, in tonnes

→ 358.825,17t

Do you have a system for calculating your (direct and indirect) production, purchase, trade or use of soybeans or derivatives?

→ Yes (direct and indirect)

What is the total volume of your (direct) soy use (beans, meal, oil, hulls, lecithin, derivatives).

Please specify per category and specify the scope, where relevant (national/international, own brands/all brands, etc)

→ 17.452,264t

What is the total volume of your (indirect or embedded) soy use (beans, meal, oil, hulls, derivatives, e.g. in feed for animal products)

Please specify per category

→ 341.372,9097t

Other relevant information on this topic

→ We have participated in the Collective Soy Reporting (CSR) with other retailers to develop an approach that is standardised across our businesses to simplify this process, improve conversion factors and increase our understanding around the soy supply chain.

OPERATIONS RELATED TO RTRS SOY¹

RTRS Certified Soy uptake/used in 2022	Segregated	Mass Balance	Credits
	5.948t	810t	29.448t

Did you uptake this yourself directly or did your supplier do this? If your supplier did so, how did you specify and verify this?

→ Suppliers did uptake this. A third party verifies the claims as part of the Collective Soy Reporting. Extrapolation with help of world conversion factors for suppliers who have not responded.

What type of products do you use RTRS soy for?

(Specify supply chain options), direct and indirect.

→ RTRS soy can be used in all supply chains of soy products (direct) and animal proteins such as pork, dairy, poultry, eggs, beef, and fish and seafood (indirect).

Did your organization make any public claims related to the production, trade and uptake of RTRS soy?

Please provide link.

→ We have published a Position Statement on Deforestation on our website: [Forest Protection at ALDI Nord \(aldi-nord.de\)](#)

Other relevant information on this topic

→ n/a

TIME BOUND PLAN FOR RESPONSIBLE SOY

What date did your organization start, or does it plan to start using or supporting RTRS soy via uptakes?

(including all supply chain options)

→ All ALDI Nord countries have soy requirements for animal feed in place.

Does your organization expect to use 100% RTRS soy?

If so, by when?

→ We accept RTRS (among others) as a standard for deforestation-free soy.

What milestones has your organization defined for its responsible soy use?

Please state annual targets/strategies, including its 2023 target if applicable.

- 1. Risk assessment and roadmap development
2. Actively participate in multi-stakeholder initiatives (e.g. Retail Soy Group) to increase understanding
3. Regularly calculate footprint (CSR)
4. Engage stakeholders, e.g. suppliers

¹ Where 'soy' is mentioned this refers to all products (beans, oil, meal, hulls, lecithin, derivatives, etc.) and both direct and indirect use.

Please quantify your commitment or estimated purchase/use of Certified Responsible Soy in the table below

(tonnes)	2021			2022			2023		
	Segregated	Mass Balance	Credits	Segregated	Mass Balance	Credits	Segregated	Mass Balance	Credits
Direct use	3.643 t	-	-	-	3.103t	8t	-	-	-
Indirect use	9.999,7 t	22.539,4 t	5.472,8 t	11.438t	25.262t	27.961t	-	-	-
TOTAL	13.642,7 t	22.539,4 t	5.472,8 t	11.438t	28.365t	27.969t	-	-	-

Other relevant information on this topic

→ The soy is also certified by organic, USSAP and other labels (not only SG, MB and Credits)

MEMBERSHIP & PROMOTION

How did your organization provide information about its RTRS membership to internal and/or external audiences?

→ We promote our membership in our [sustainability report](#) which can be found on our [website](#).

How did your organization support or promote RTRS?

E.g. what internal and external activities were organized?

→ We organize an international workshop for our countries and are in close contact with our suppliers. We have participated in the RTRS Meeting Point 2022.

Did the organization proactively encourage other companies (supplier, customer, and colleague) to support or become members of the RTRS?

If so, please specify.

→ We encourage our suppliers to buy credits via RTRS.

Other relevant information on this topic

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OTHER SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Did your organization provide support towards RTRS certification for producers, such as training, in producing countries?

If so, please specify.

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Did your organization raise/contribute funds in order to support capacity building and other activities? If so, please specify which organization were supported, the nature of the activities and the amount of funds that were contributed

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Did your organization participate in RTRS working groups or courses?

If so, please specify.

→ RTRS member and engaged in Retail Soy Group and FONEI

Other relevant information on this topic

→ Aldi Nord developed a step-by-step guidance to support suppliers on how to purchase and claim credits on the RTRS online trading platform. Moreover, an international RTRS workshop for credit claiming has been organized for all ALDI Nord countries.

OTHER COMMENTS

→ ALDI Nord strives to eliminate deforestation from our high priority supply chains by 31 December 2030. In May 2022, we published an International Position Statement comprising results of our deforestation risk assessment and commodity specific milestones. The statement sets out how we aim to eliminate deforestation from our high priority supply chains by 2030.
