

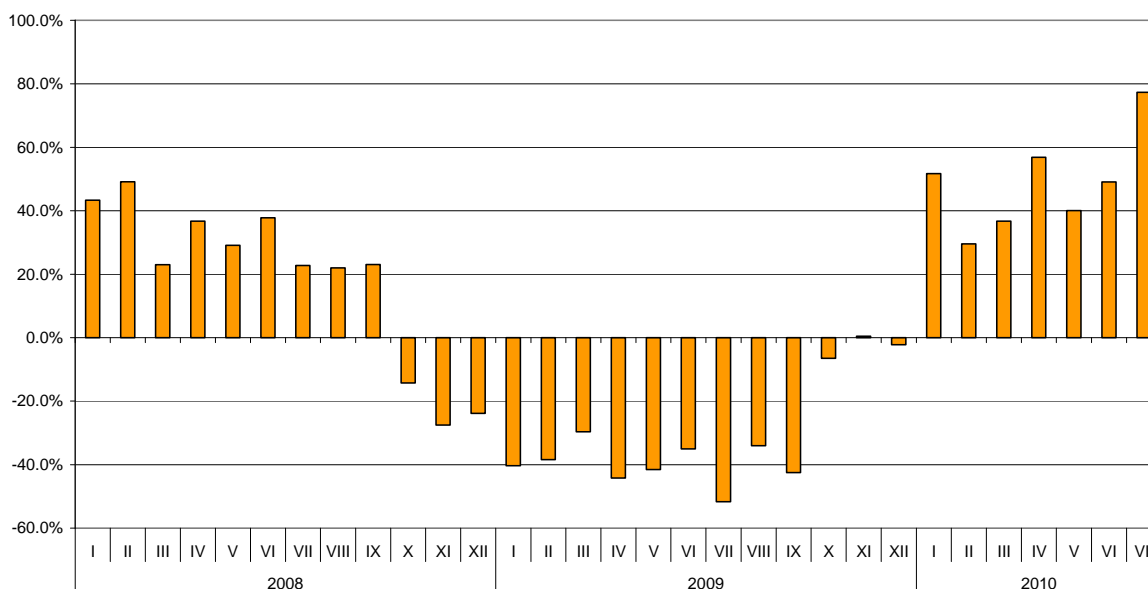


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES FOR JANUARY - JULY 2010 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

During the period January - July 2010 the Bulgarian exports to third countries increased by 48.6% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 6.4 billion leva (Table 1.1 and 1.2). The main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, Serbia, Russia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Singapore, China, and the USA that formed over 54% of the total exports to non EU countries (Table 2). The Exported goods to China increased by 252.3% and those to Turkey by 68.3%. The exports to Serbia and Russia reported growth by 62.9% and 57.4% respectively, to Singapore by 35.7% and to The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia by 22.5%. The exports to Peru, Republic of Korea, Syria and India increased notably. Fall was reported on the exports to United Arab Emirates, Indonesia, Kazakhstan and the USA.

In July 2010 the exports to third countries increased by 77.3% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1 billion leva.

**Nominal growth of exports to non EU countries for the period 2008 - 2010
(compared to the same month of the previous year)**

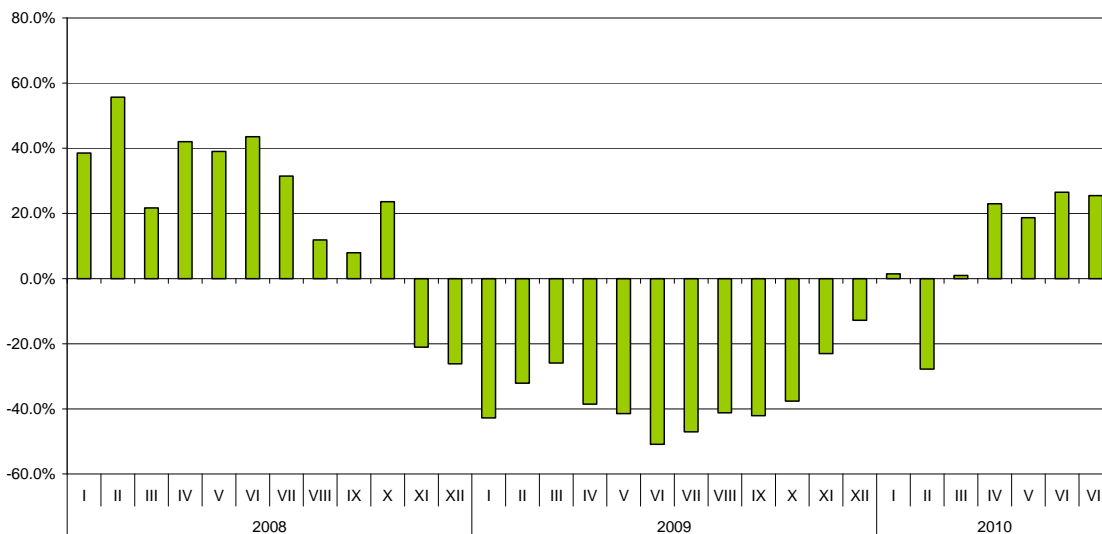




Bulgarian **imports from third** countries for the first seven months of 2010 increased by 10.1% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and **amounted to 8.5 billion levs** (Tables 1.1 and 1.2). The most notable growth was reported on the imports from Albania, Egypt, Israel and Peru (Table 2). The imports from Serbia increased by 55.3% and from Republic of Macedonia by 45.1%. The largest decrease was observed in the imports from South Africa and Norway.

In July 2010 the Bulgarian imports from third countries increased by 25.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and **amounted to 1.4 billion levs**.

Nominal growth of imports from non EU countries for the period 2008 - 2010
(compared to the same month of the previous year)



The trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with **third countries** for the period January - July 2010 was negative and amounted to 2.1 billion levs (Table 1.1).

In July 2010 the trade balance of Bulgaria was negative and amounted to 388.1 million levs.



The **exports** of Bulgaria to **third countries**, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, increased in the most of the sections in the first seven months of 2010 compared to the corresponding period of 2009 (Table 3). The largest growth was recorded in the sections “Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)”¹ and “Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials”. A fall was observed only in exports of one section - “Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”.

On **imports** from **third countries** the largest growth was reported in section “Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)”¹ and the most notable fall was in section “Food and live animals”.

Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU - total

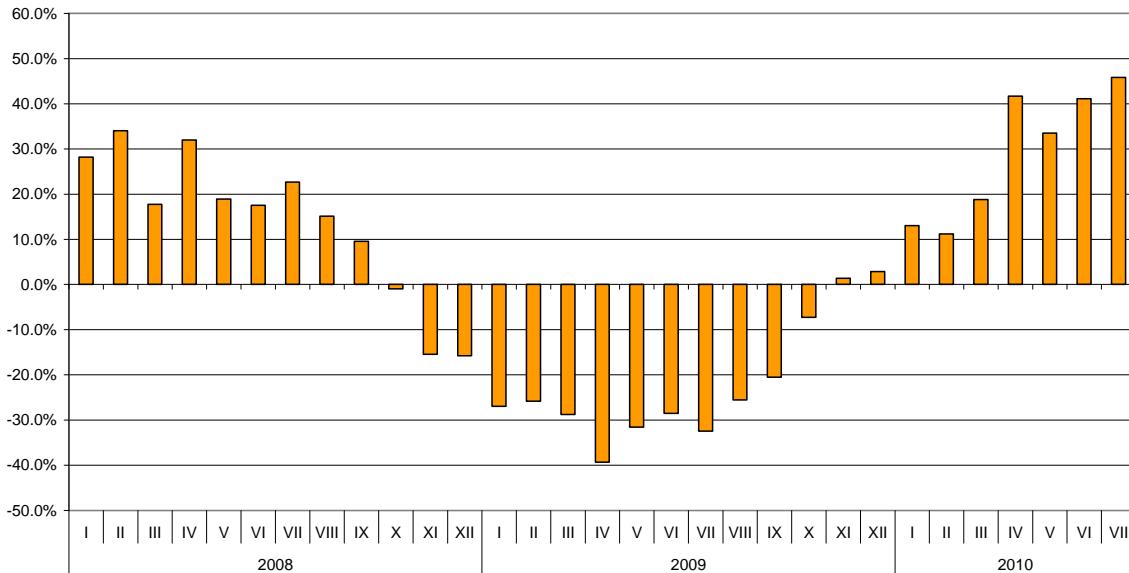
During the period January - July 2010 **the total exported goods** were for **16.3 billion levs** and compared to the corresponding period of 2009 the exports increased by 29.9% (Table 1.1 and 1.2).

In July 2010 **the exports amounted to 2.9 billion levs** and increased by 45.9% compared to the corresponding period of 2009.

¹ The section includes the following divisions: raw hides, skins and furskins; oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits; crude rubber; cork and wood; pulp and waste paper; textile fibres and their wastes; crude fertilizers and crude minerals; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.



**Nominal growth of exports for the period 2008 - 2010
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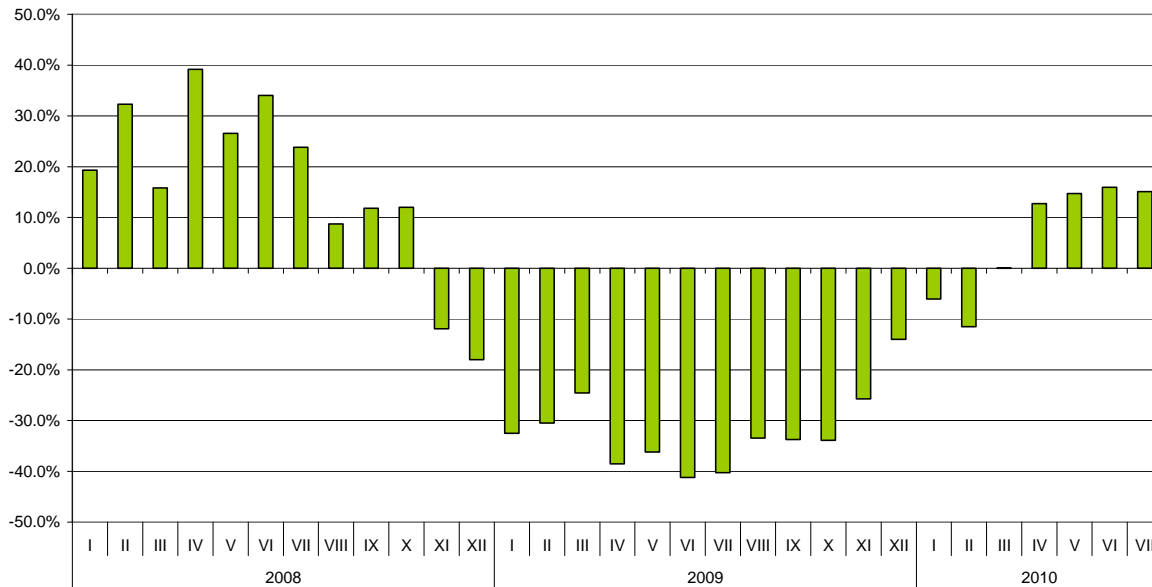


The total imported goods for the period January - July 2010 were **for 20.2 billion levs (at CIF prices)** or **by 6.2% more** than in the corresponding period of the previous year (Table 1.1 and 1.2). The tendency the total imports as well as the imports from EU and third countries to exceed the exports continued during the first seven months of 2010. The exception was the imports from EU in July. According to the aggregated preliminary data the exports exceeded imports from EU with 96.9 million levs.

In July 2010 the total imports increased by 15.1% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 3.2 billion levs.



**Nominal growth of imports for the period 2008 - 2010
(compared to the same month of the previous year)**



Foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative in the period January - July 2010 and amounted to 3.9 billion leva which was over 2.5 billion leva less than the balance for the first seven months of 2009 (Table 1.1 and 1.2). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the negative balance for the period January - July 2010 amounted to 2.7 billion leva.

In July 2010 the foreign trade balance amounted to -89.2 million leva.

ANNEX

Table 1.1

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - JULY 2009 AND 2010¹ BY MONTHS

(Million
Levs)

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB ²		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2009	1592.0	1113.0	479.0	2402.5	1423.7	978.8	2246.0	1348.8	897.2	-810.5	-310.7	-499.8	-654.0	-235.8	-418.2
II.2009	1761.9	1221.6	540.3	2591.2	1530.8	1060.4	2435.9	1450.3	985.6	-829.3	-309.2	-520.1	-674.0	-228.7	-445.3
III.2009	1844.9	1172.8	672.1	2942.5	1769.0	1173.5	2777.2	1678.6	1098.6	-1097.6	-596.2	-501.4	-932.3	-505.8	-426.5
I - III.2009	5198.8	3507.4	1691.4	7936.2	4723.5	3212.7	7459.1	4477.7	2981.4	-2737.4	-1216.1	-1521.3	-2260.3	-970.3	-1290.0
IV.2009	1628.8	1000.5	628.3	2709.2	1570.4	1138.8	2551.2	1490.9	1060.3	-1080.4	-569.9	-510.5	-922.4	-490.4	-432.0
V.2009	1771.5	1126.6	644.9	2797.8	1645.2	1152.6	2630.8	1560.4	1070.4	-1026.3	-518.6	-507.7	-859.3	-433.8	-425.5
VI.2009	1955.0	1205.9	749.1	2799.7	1735.3	1064.4	2632.6	1644.9	987.7	-844.7	-529.4	-315.3	-677.6	-439.0	-238.6
IV - VI.2009	5355.3	3333.0	2022.3	8306.7	4950.9	3355.8	7814.6	4696.2	3118.4	-2951.4	-1617.9	-1333.5	-2459.3	1363.2	-1096.1
I - VI.2009	10554.1	6840.4	3713.7	16242.9	9674.4	6568.5	15273.7	9173.9	6099.8	-5688.8	-2834.0	-2854.8	-4719.6	2333.5	-2386.1
VII.2009	2012.9	1425.3	587.6	2803.8	1664.1	1139.7	2640.0	1577.7	1062.3	-790.9	-238.8	-552.1	-627.1	-152.4	-474.7
I - VII.2009	12567.0	8265.7	4301.3	19046.7	11338.5	7708.2	17913.7	10751.6	7162.1	-6479.7	-3072.8	-3406.9	-5346.7	2485.9	-2860.8
I.2010	1799.3	1072.5	726.8	2256.4	1264.0	992.4	2122.8	1198.5	924.3	-457.1	-191.5	-265.6	-323.5	-126.0	-197.5
II.2010	1959.5	1259.4	700.1	2293.5	1528.0	765.5	2151.3	1438.6	712.7	-334.0	-268.6	-65.4	-191.8	-179.2	-12.6
III.2010	2192.0	1273.0	919.0	2943.4	1758.8	1184.6	2774.0	1673.9	1100.1	-751.4	-485.8	-265.6	-582.0	-400.9	-181.1
I - III.2010	5950.8	3604.9	2345.9	7493.3	4550.8	2942.5	7048.1	4311.0	2737.1	-1542.5	-945.9	-596.6	-1097.3	-706.1	-391.2
IV.2010	2307.7	1322.1	985.6	3054.3	1654.3	1400.0	2876.2	1573.8	1302.4	-746.6	-332.2	-414.4	-568.5	-251.7	-316.8
V.2010	2364.8	1461.5	903.3	3209.6	1841.7	1367.9	3012.6	1744.9	1267.7	-844.8	-380.2	-464.6	-647.8	-283.4	-364.4
VI.2010	2759.0	1642.4	1116.6	3246.0	1899.9	1346.1	3048.2	1801.8	1246.4	-487.0	-257.5	-229.5	-289.2	-159.4	-129.8
IV - VI.2010	7431.5	4426.0	3005.5	9509.9	5395.9	4114.0	8937.0	5120.5	3816.5	-2078.4	-969.9	-1108.5	-1505.5	-694.5	-811.0
I - VI.2010	13382.3	8030.9	5351.4	17003.2	9946.7	7056.5	15985.1	9431.5	6553.6	-3620.9	-1915.8	-1705.1	-2602.8	1400.6	-1202.2
VII.2010	2936.0	1894.2	1041.8	3227.2	1797.3	1429.9	3025.2	1707.4	1317.8	-291.2	96.9	-388.1	-89.2	186.8	-276.0
I - VII.2010	16318.3	9925.1	6393.2	20230.4	11744.0	8486.4	19010.3	11138.9	7871.4	-3912.1	-1818.9	-2093.2	-2692.0	1213.8	-1478.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 8.09.2010.

² By recalculated data of BNB for the transport costs.



Table 1.2

GROWTH OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - JULY 2010¹ COMPARED TO THE SAME MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR

(Per cent)

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I	13.0	-3.6	51.7	-6.1	-11.2	1.4	-5.5	-11.1	3.0
II	11.2	3.1	29.6	-11.5	-0.2	-27.8	-11.7	-0.8	-27.7
III	18.8	8.5	36.7	0.0	-0.6	0.9	-0.1	-0.3	0.1
I - III	14.5	2.8	38.7	-5.6	-3.7	-8.4	-5.5	-3.7	-8.2
IV	41.7	32.1	56.9	12.7	5.3	22.9	12.7	5.6	22.8
V	33.5	29.7	40.1	14.7	11.9	18.7	14.5	11.8	18.4
VI	41.1	36.2	49.1	15.9	9.5	26.5	15.8	9.5	26.2
IV - VI	38.8	32.8	48.6	14.5	9.0	22.6	14.4	9.0	22.4
I - VI	26.8	17.4	44.1	4.7	2.8	7.4	4.7	2.8	7.4
VII	45.9	32.9	77.3	15.1	8.0	25.5	14.6	8.2	24.1
I - VII	29.9	20.1	48.6	6.2	3.6	10.1	6.1	3.6	9.9



Table2

EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE WITH MAIN NON EU PARTNER COUNTRIES¹
FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - JULY 2009 AND 2010²

(Million Levs)

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2009	2010	Growth - %	2009	2010	Growth - %	2009	2010
Total	4301.3	6393.2	48.6	7708.2	8486.4	10.1	-3406.9	-2093.2
Albania	63.0	66.0	4.8	3.0	11.7	290.0	60.0	54.3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	28.6	35.9	25.5	5.4	7.7	42.6	23.2	28.2
Brazil	15.5	30.5	96.8	148.3	80.5	-45.7	-132.8	-50.0
Canada	29.8	29.8	0.0	59.5	50.1	-15.8	-29.7	-20.3
China	65.6	231.1	252.3	551.1	517.4	-6.1	-485.5	-286.3
Croatia	82.5	120.0	45.5	43.7	28.9	-33.9	38.8	91.1
Egypt	120.3	127.4	5.9	21.3	80.0	275.6	99.0	47.4
Georgia	89.1	132.9	49.2	265.1	173.6	-34.5	-176.0	-40.7
India	19.6	51.0	160.2	49.3	52.2	5.9	-29.7	-1.2
Indonesia	20.0	15.1	-24.5	20.4	16.7	-18.1	-0.4	-1.6
Iran	31.5	56.6	79.7	7.9	6.5	-17.7	23.6	50.1
Israel	24.5	36.3	48.2	34.4	124.0	260.5	-9.9	-87.7
Japan	18.4	19.7	7.1	89.0	74.6	-16.2	-70.6	-54.9
Kazakhstan	19.3	17.9	-7.3	5.0	3.6	-28.0	14.3	14.3
Republic of Korea	22.7	66.3	192.1	59.3	56.9	-4.0	-36.6	9.4
Norway	25.1	26.6	6.0	33.0	7.6	-77.0	-7.9	19.0
Peru	0.6	7.2	1100.0	137.9	295.5	114.3	-137.3	-288.3
Russian Federation	284.6	448.1	57.4	2550.9	3192.9	25.2	-2266.3	-2744.8
Serbia	344.6	561.3	62.9	143.1	222.3	55.3	201.5	339.0
Singapore	222.3	301.7	35.7	12.2	7.3	-40.2	210.1	294.4
South Africa	5.0	7.6	52.0	64.0	9.0	-85.9	-59.0	-1.4
Switzerland	92.8	102.4	10.3	173.0	184.2	6.5	-80.2	-81.8
Syria	40.1	107.8	168.8	33.1	34.6	4.5	7.0	73.2
Taiwan	11.9	21.0	76.5	49.7	66.8	34.4	-37.8	-45.8
The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	253.2	310.2	22.5	186.3	270.3	45.1	66.9	39.9
Turkey	829.3	1395.9	68.3	1046.4	1095.5	4.7	-217.1	300.4
Ukraine	91.5	128.7	40.7	1028.2	864.5	-15.9	-936.7	-735.8
United Arab Emirates	75.4	45.6	-39.5	14.7	17.6	19.7	60.7	28.0
USA	225.1	223.3	-0.8	187.4	149.9	-20.0	37.7	73.4
Viet Nam	11.5	14.1	22.6	59.1	43.6	-26.2	-47.6	-29.5

¹ Partner country:

- In case of exports (or dispatches) is the country (or Member State) of final destination of the goods
- In case of imports (or arrivals) is the country (or Member State) of consignment of the goods.

² Data are preliminary as of 8.09.2010.



Table 3

**EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE WITH NON EU COUNTRIES BY SECTIONS OF SITC, rev.4
FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY- JULY 2009 AND 2010¹**

(Million Levs)

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2009	2010	Growth - %	2009	2010	Growth - %	2009	2010
Total	4301.3	6393.2	48.6	7708.2	8486.4	10.1	-3406.9	-2093.2
Food and live animals	327.1	342.5	4.7	421.4	325.2	-22.8	-94.3	17.3
Beverages and tobacco	145.2	206.1	41.9	76.0	83.9	10.4	69.2	122.2
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	311.9	644.4	106.6	930.0	1234.2	32.7	-618.1	-589.8
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1021.5	1617.5	58.3	3267.7	3796.6	16.2	-2246.2	-2179.1
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	24.2	20.8	-14.0	27.9	24.2	-13.3	-3.7	-3.4
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	584.9	782.9	33.9	408.2	461.4	13.0	176.7	321.5
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	929.0	1459.8	57.1	1124.6	1184.3	5.3	-195.6	275.5
Machinery and transport equipment	589.2	758.6	28.8	1071.8	1016.2	-5.2	-482.6	-257.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	357.0	547.7	53.4	374.4	351.5	-6.1	-17.4	196.2
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	11.3	12.9	14.2	6.2	8.9	43.5	5.1	4.0

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