

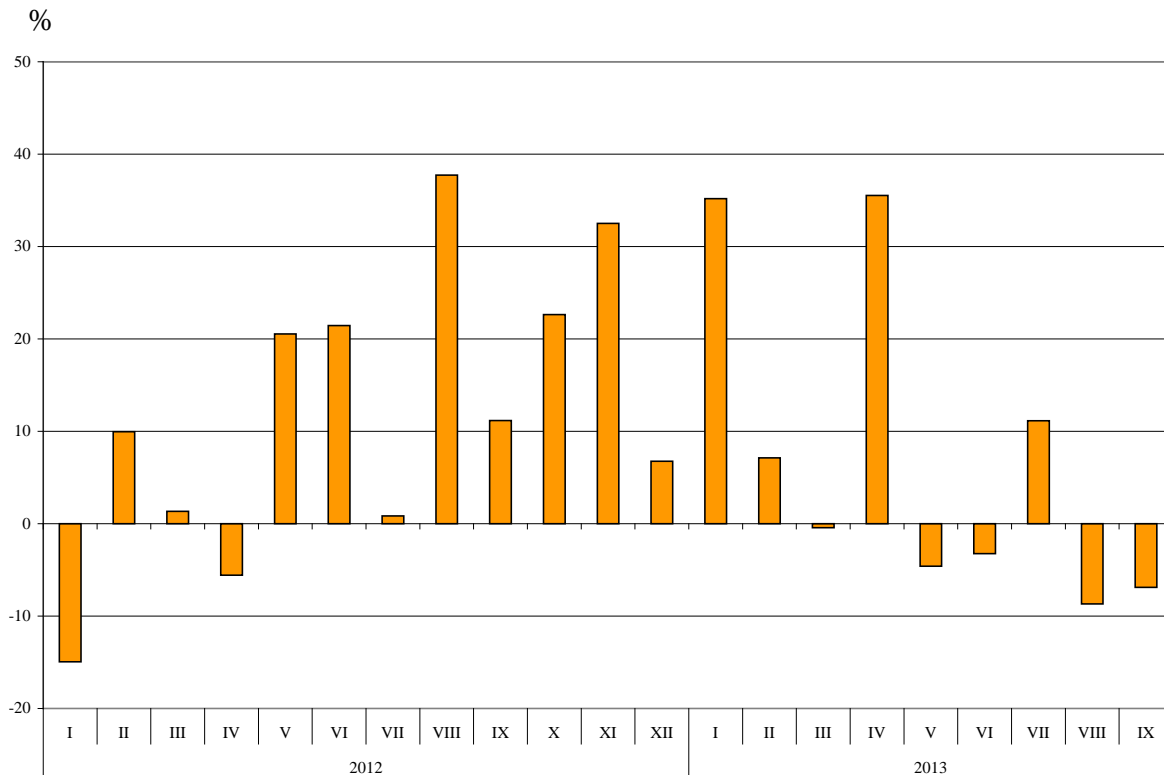


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2013 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - September 2013** the Bulgarian **exports to third countries** increased by 5.6% compared to the corresponding period of 2012 and amounted to 12.9 Billion BGN (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, China, Russian Federation, Gibraltar, Ukraine and Serbia which accounted for 51.5% of the exports to non EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

In September 2013 the exports to third countries decreased by 6.9% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.3 Billion BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value¹ change of exports of Bulgaria to non EU countries
for the period 2012 - 2013
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



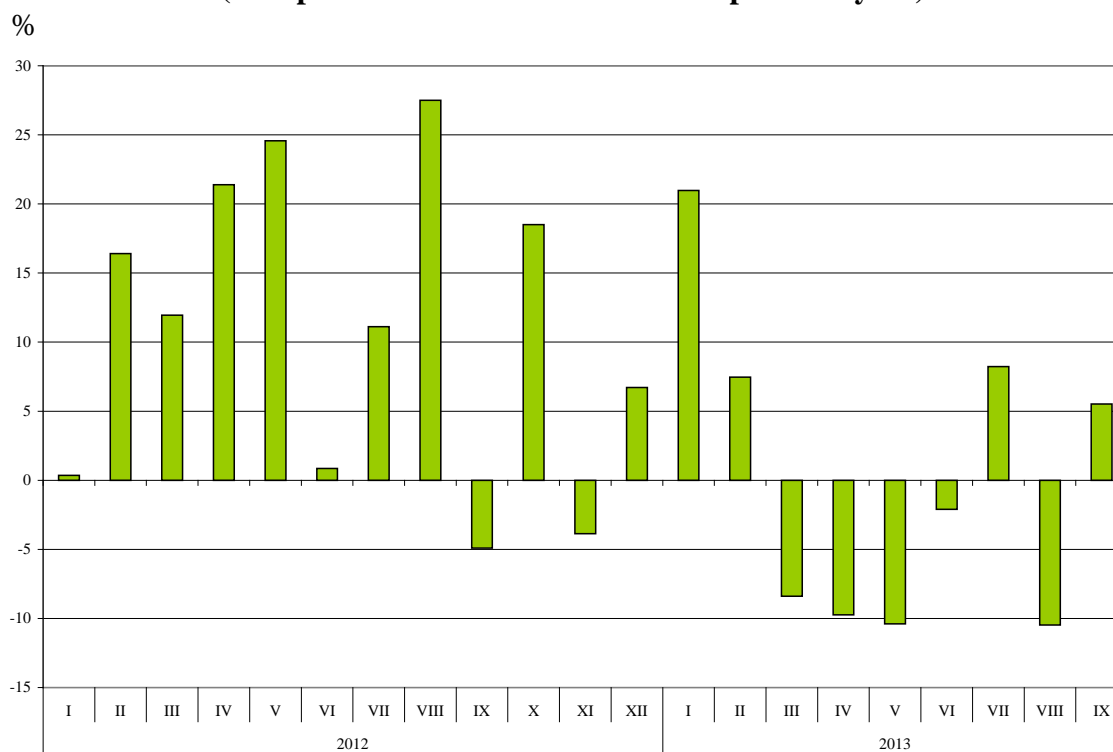
Bulgarian imports from third countries in the first nine months of 2013 decreased by 0.9% compared to the corresponding period of 2012 and added up to 15.3 Billion BGN (at CIF prices) (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Russian Federation, Turkey, China and Ukraine (Annex, Table 3).

In September 2013 the Bulgarian imports from third countries increased by 5.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.8 Billion BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.



Figure 2. Nominal value¹ change of imports of Bulgaria to non EU countries for the period 2012 - 2013 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)



The foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries in the period January - September 2013 was negative and added up to 2 309.4 Million BGN (Annex, Table 1). The trade balance at FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) was also negative and amounted to 1 495.2 Million BGN.

In September 2013 the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was negative and amounted to 443.9 Million BGN.

In the first nine months of 2013 compared to the corresponding period of 2012 largest growths in the exports of Bulgaria to third countries distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification** were recorded in the sections “Food and live animals” (70.6%) and “Machinery and transport equipment” (24.3%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable fall was reported in section “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”² (9.2%).

In imports from third countries the largest growth was reported in section “Food and live animals” (33.5%) while the most notable fall was observed in section “Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes” (31.6%).

¹ Value changes at current prices.

² The section includes 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.

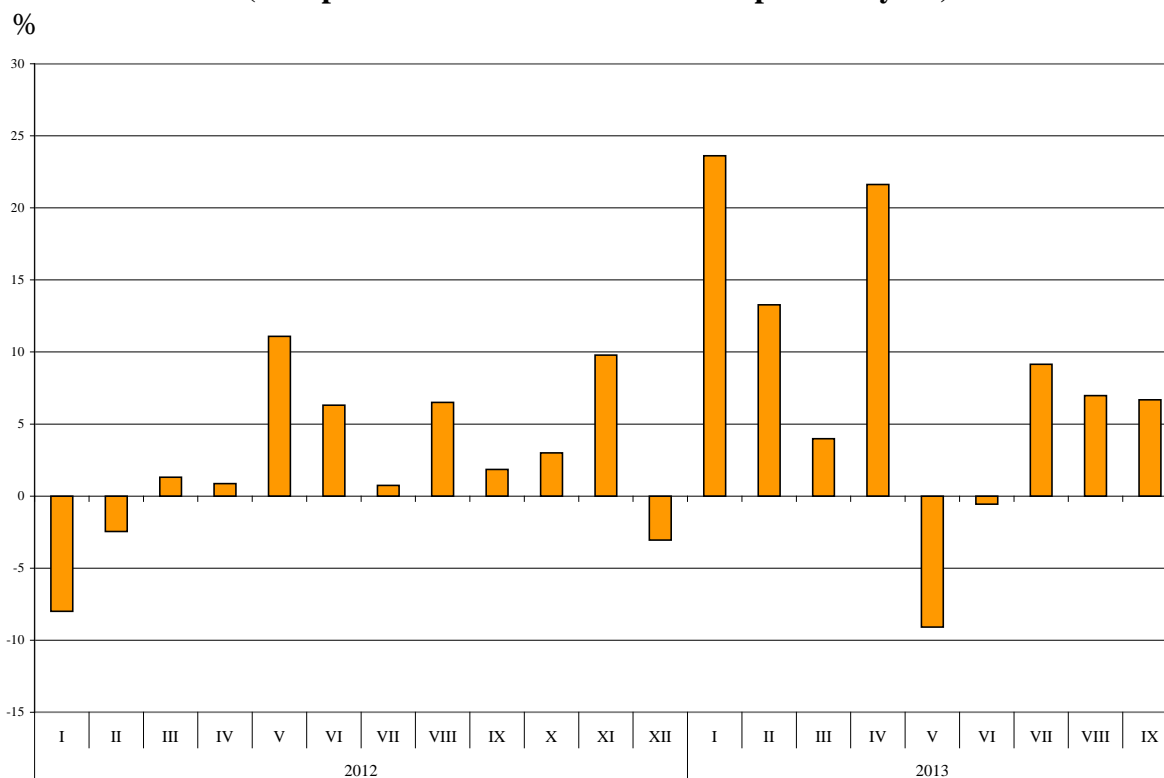


Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU - total

In the period January - September 2013 the value of **all exported goods** from Bulgaria amounted to 32.5 Billion BGN and compared to the corresponding period of the previous year the exports increased by 7.8% (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In September 2013 the total exports added up to 3.8 Billion BGN and increased by 6.7% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

Figure 3. Nominal value¹ change of exports of Bulgaria for the period 2012 - 2013
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)



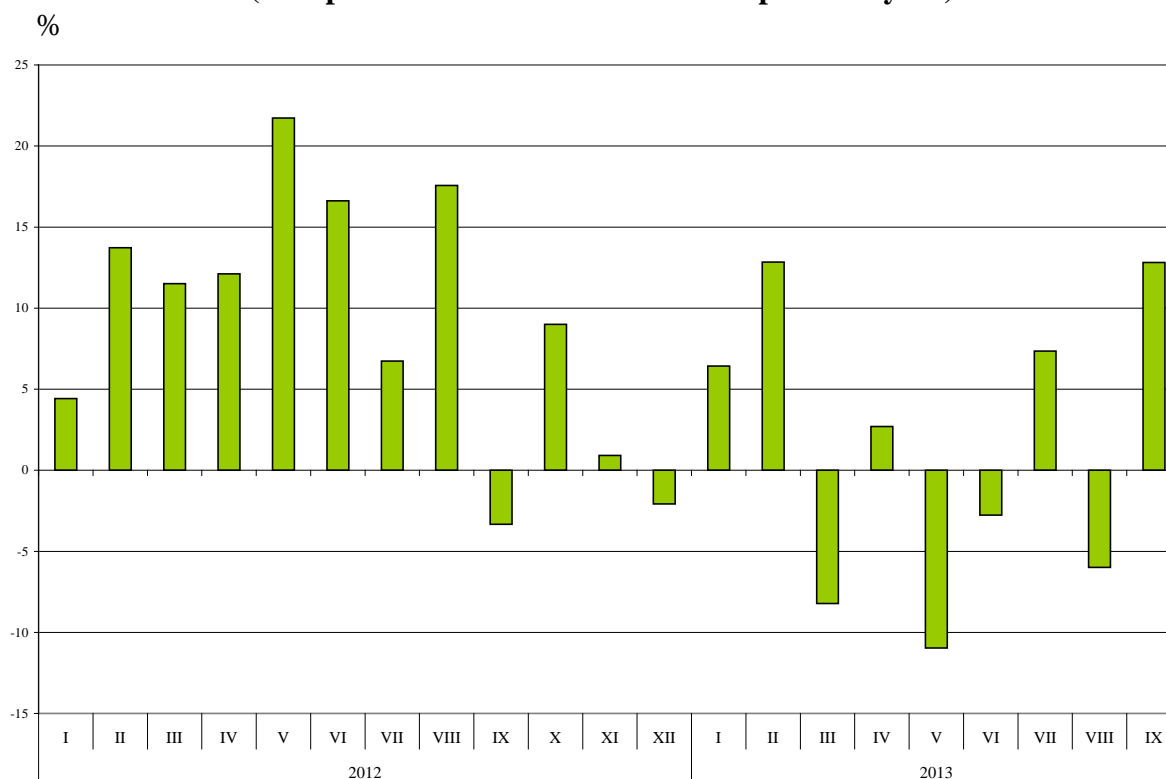
The total value of **all the goods imported in** the country **in the period January - September 2013** amounted to 37.5 Billion BGN (at CIF prices), or by 1.1% more than the corresponding period of the previous year (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In September 2013 the total imports increased by 12.8% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and added up to 4.6 Billion BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.



**Figure 4. Nominal value¹ change of imports of Bulgaria for the period 2012 - 2013
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



The **total foreign trade balance** (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative in the period January - September 2013 and amounted to 5 004.2 Million BGN which was 1 921.7 Million BGN less than the balance in the first nine months of 2012 (Annex, Table 1 and 2). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) in the period January - September 2013 the total foreign trade balance was also negative and amounted to 3 160.3 Million BGN.

In September 2013 the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative and added up to 763.3 Million BGN. The trade balance at FOB/FOB prices was also negative and amounted to 527.2 Million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria for the period January - September 2012 and 2013¹ by months

(Million BGN)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB ²		
	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴
I.2012	2810.3	1733.9	1076.4	3501.3	2130.3	1371.0	3330.7	2029.9	1300.8	-691.0	-396.4	-294.6	-520.4	-296.0	-224.4
II.2012	2862.9	1659.7	1203.2	3603.3	2125.2	1478.1	3433.5	2032.3	1401.2	-740.4	-465.5	-274.9	-570.6	-372.6	-198.0
III.2012	3363.6	2053.3	1310.3	4207.2	2540.7	1666.5	4008.0	2426.2	1581.8	-843.6	-487.4	-356.2	-644.4	-372.9	-271.5
I - III.2012	9036.8	5446.9	3589.9	11311.8	6796.2	4515.6	10772.2	6488.4	4283.8	-2275.0	-1349.3	-925.7	-1735.4	-1041.5	-693.9
IV.2012	3171.8	1950.5	1221.3	4277.3	2348.4	1928.9	4068.0	2245.9	1822.1	-1105.5	-397.9	-707.6	-896.2	-295.4	-600.8
V.2012	3647.7	2149.9	1497.8	4646.8	2679.1	1967.7	4420.4	2556.6	1863.8	-999.1	-529.2	-469.9	-772.7	-406.7	-366.0
VI.2012	3462.2	2017.5	1444.7	4372.3	2643.4	1728.9	4158.3	2517.6	1640.7	-910.1	-625.9	-284.2	-696.1	-500.1	-196.0
IV - VI.2012	10281.7	6117.9	4163.8	13296.4	7670.9	5625.5	12646.7	7320.1	5326.6	-3014.7	-1553.0	-1461.7	-2365.0	-1202.2	-1162.8
I - VI.2012	19318.5	11564.8	7753.7	24608.2	14467.1	10141.1	23418.9	13808.5	9610.4	-5289.7	-2902.3	-2387.4	-4100.4	-2243.7	-1856.7
VII.2012	3645.9	2251.4	1394.5	4341.6	2657.5	1684.1	4134.1	2536.4	1597.7	-695.7	-406.1	-289.6	-488.2	-285.0	-203.2
VIII.2012	3658.4	1979.5	1678.9	4115.4	2232.0	1883.4	3913.7	2134.6	1779.1	-457.0	-252.5	-204.5	-255.3	-155.1	-100.2
IX.2012	3549.9	2120.9	1429.0	4033.4	2351.8	1681.6	3836.8	2248.9	1587.9	-483.5	-230.9	-252.6	-286.9	-128.0	-158.9
VII - IX.2012	10854.2	6351.8	4502.4	12490.4	7241.3	5249.1	11884.6	6919.9	4964.7	-1636.2	-889.5	-746.7	-1030.4	-568.1	-462.3
I - IX.2012	30172.7	17916.6	12256.1	37098.6	21708.4	15390.2	35303.5	20728.4	14575.1	-6925.9	-3791.8	-3134.1	-5130.8	-2811.8	-2319.0
I.2013	3474.0	2018.8	1455.2	3726.5	2067.9	1658.6	3540.4	1974.6	1565.8	-252.5	-49.1	-203.4	-66.4	44.2	-110.6
II.2013	3242.9	1954.0	1288.9	4066.1	2477.6	1588.5	3859.2	2357.5	1501.7	-823.2	-523.6	-299.6	-616.3	-403.5	-212.8
III.2013	3497.5	2192.8	1304.7	3861.5	2334.8	1526.7	3682.3	2233.6	1448.7	-364.0	-142.0	-222.0	-184.8	-40.8	-144.0
I-III.2013	10214.4	6165.6	4048.8	11654.1	6880.3	4773.8	11081.9	6565.7	4516.2	-1439.7	-714.7	-725.0	-867.5	-400.1	-467.4
IV.2013	3857.7	2202.4	1655.3	4392.8	2651.7	1741.1	4184.5	2527.7	1656.8	-535.1	-449.3	-85.8	-326.8	-325.3	-1.5
V.2013	3316.2	1887.3	1428.9	4137.2	2374.0	1763.2	3938.3	2268.3	1670.0	-821.0	-486.7	-334.3	-622.1	-381.0	-241.1
VI.2013	3443.1	2045.2	1397.9	4251.4	2558.8	1692.6	4045.4	2442.4	1603.0	-808.3	-513.6	-294.7	-602.3	-397.2	-205.1
IV - VI.2013	10617.0	6134.9	4482.1	12781.4	7584.5	5196.9	12168.2	7238.4	4929.8	-2164.4	-1449.6	-714.8	-1551.2	-1103.5	-447.7
I - VI.2013	20831.4	12300.5	8530.9	24435.5	14464.8	9970.7	23250.1	13804.1	9446.0	-3604.1	-2164.3	-1439.8	-2418.7	-1503.6	-915.1
VII.2013	3979.2	2429.3	1549.9	4660.8	2838.1	1822.7	4429.8	2706.1	1723.7	-681.6	-408.8	-272.8	-450.6	-276.8	-173.8
VIII.2013	3913.5	2380.3	1533.2	3868.7	2182.6	1686.1	3677.3	2084.4	1592.9	44.8	197.7	-152.9	236.2	295.9	-59.7
IX.2013	3787.0	2456.4	1330.6	4550.3	2775.8	1774.5	4314.2	2637.0	1677.2	-763.3	-319.4	-443.9	-527.2	-180.6	-346.6
VII - IX.2013	11679.7	7266.0	4413.7	13079.8	7796.5	5283.3	12421.3	7427.5	4993.8	-1400.1	-530.5	-869.6	-741.6	-161.5	-580.1
I - IX.2013	32511.1	19566.5	12944.6	37515.3	22261.3	15254.0	35671.4	21231.6	14439.8	-5004.2	-2694.8	-2309.4	-3160.3	-1665.1	-1495.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 11.11.2013.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.

³ EU including Croatia also for the periods prior 1st of July 2013.

⁴ Non EU excluding Croatia also for the periods prior 1st of July 2013.



Table 2

Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria for the period January - September
2013¹ compared to the same period of the previous year

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU ²	Non EU ³	Total	EU ²	Non EU ³	Total	EU ²	Non EU ³
I	23.6	16.4	35.2	6.4	-2.9	21.0	6.3	-2.7	20.4
II	13.3	17.7	7.1	12.8	16.6	7.5	12.4	16.0	7.2
III	4.0	6.8	-0.4	-8.2	-8.1	-8.4	-8.1	-7.9	-8.4
I - III	13.0	13.2	12.8	3.0	1.2	5.7	2.9	1.2	5.4
IV	21.6	12.9	35.5	2.7	12.9	-9.7	2.9	12.5	-9.1
V	-9.1	-12.2	-4.6	-11.0	-11.4	-10.4	-10.9	-11.3	-10.4
VI	-0.6	1.4	-3.2	-2.8	-3.2	-2.1	-2.7	-3.0	-2.3
IV - VI	3.3	0.3	7.6	-3.9	-1.1	-7.6	-3.8	-1.1	-7.4
I - VI	7.8	6.4	10.0	-0.7	0.0	-1.7	-0.7	0.0	-1.7
VII	9.1	7.9	11.1	7.4	6.8	8.2	7.2	6.7	7.9
VIII	7.0	20.2	-8.7	-6.0	-2.2	-10.5	-6.0	-2.4	-10.5
IX	6.7	15.8	-6.9	12.8	18.0	5.5	12.4	17.3	5.6
VII - IX	7.6	14.4	-2.0	4.7	7.7	0.7	4.5	7.3	0.6
I - IX	7.8	9.2	5.6	1.1	2.5	-0.9	1.0	2.4	-0.9

¹ Data are preliminary as of 11.11.2013.

² EU including Croatia also for the periods prior 1st of July 2013.

³ Non EU excluding Croatia also for the periods prior 1st of July 2013.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with main non EU partner countries¹
for the period January - September 2012 and 2013²

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2012	2013	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2012	2013	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2012	2013
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries³-total	12256.1	12944.6	5.6	15390.2	15254.0	-0.9	-3134.1	-2309.4
of which:								
Albania	72.6	95.1	31.0	27.4	23.6	-13.9	45.2	71.5
Bosnia and Herzegovina	52.3	59.3	13.4	25.3	41.5	64.0	27.0	17.8
Brazil	63.6	18.3	-71.2	201.7	72.1	-64.3	-138.1	-53.8
Canada	166.6	124.4	-25.3	63.1	23.6	-62.6	103.5	100.8
China	913.3	862.0	-5.6	1176.1	1111.3	-5.5	-262.8	-249.3
Egypt	175.9	262.0	48.9	72.3	78.4	8.4	103.6	183.6
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	588.0	502.8	-14.5	362.0	407.0	12.4	226.0	95.8
Georgia	371.8	272.7	-26.7	234.1	330.3	41.1	137.7	-57.6
Gibraltar	933.3	745.5	-20.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	933.3	745.5
India	51.2	42.8	-16.4	109.4	171.6	56.9	-58.2	-128.8
Indonesia	22.4	38.4	71.4	36.3	42.0	15.7	-13.9	-3.6
Iran, Islamic Republic of	30.0	19.4	-35.3	7.3	2.3	-68.5	22.7	17.1
Israel	141.0	139.6	-1.0	88.5	71.6	-19.1	52.5	68.0
Japan	36.3	42.0	15.7	95.7	95.3	-0.4	-59.4	-53.3
Kazakhstan	47.3	39.0	-17.5	56.2	61.2	8.9	-8.9	-22.2
Korea, Republic of	187.0	139.2	-25.6	142.7	131.9	-7.6	44.3	7.3
Namibia	300.0	202.8	-32.4	0.0	0.4	0.0	300.0	202.4
Norway	44.7	51.6	15.4	9.8	23.0	134.7	34.9	28.6
Peru	3.7	11.2	202.7	159.0	11.8	-92.6	-155.3	-0.6
Russian Federation	817.8	840.4	2.8	7691.8	7111.3	-7.5	-6874.0	-6270.9
Serbia	683.9	547.5	-19.9	366.0	366.1	0.0	317.9	181.4
Singapore	87.9	301.7	243.2	21.6	18.8	-13.0	66.3	282.9
South Africa	88.9	279.5	214.4	52.5	42.5	-19.0	36.4	237.0
Switzerland	227.7	225.0	-1.2	292.0	301.3	3.2	-64.3	-76.3
Syrian Arab Republic	33.8	94.3	179.0	61.1	25.3	-58.6	-27.3	69.0
Taiwan	37.3	36.0	-3.5	99.2	96.1	-3.1	-61.9	-60.1
Turkey	2876.9	3064.5	6.5	1707.7	2172.4	27.2	1169.2	892.1
Ukraine	361.0	611.8	69.5	965.5	824.6	-14.6	-604.5	-212.8
United Arab Emirates	182.5	243.5	33.4	94.6	64.9	-31.4	87.9	178.6
United States	536.5	435.5	-18.8	258.3	269.7	4.4	278.2	165.8
Viet-Nam	17.4	22.8	31.0	44.5	45.2	1.6	-27.1	-22.4

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 11.11.2013.

³ Non EU excluding Croatia.



Table 4

**Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with non EU countries
by sections of SITC, rev.4 for the period January - September 2012 and 2013¹**

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2012	2013	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2012	2013	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2012	2013
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries² -total	12256.1	12944.6	5.6	15390.2	15254.0	-0.9	-3134.1	-2309.4
Food and live animals	684.3	1167.4	70.6	337.6	450.7	33.5	346.7	716.7
Beverages and tobacco	411.3	456.7	11.0	121.5	124.4	2.4	289.8	332.3
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1462.8	1327.9	-9.2	1332.8	1357.9	1.9	130.0	-30.0
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	3619.6	3866.0	6.8	7842.4	7479.1	-4.6	-4222.8	-3613.1
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	54.6	50.4	-7.7	47.5	32.5	-31.6	7.1	17.9
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	1335.9	1241.8	-7.0	982.0	1129.8	15.1	353.9	112.0
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2625.9	2431.6	-7.4	2106.8	2263.4	7.4	519.1	168.2
Machinery and transport equipment	1335.8	1660.8	24.3	2066.3	1792.8	-13.2	-730.5	-132.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	678.8	694.9	2.4	542.0	603.9	11.4	136.8	91.0
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	47.1	47.1	0.0	11.3	19.5	72.6	35.8	27.6

¹ Data are preliminary as of 11.11.2013.

² Non EU excluding Croatia.