

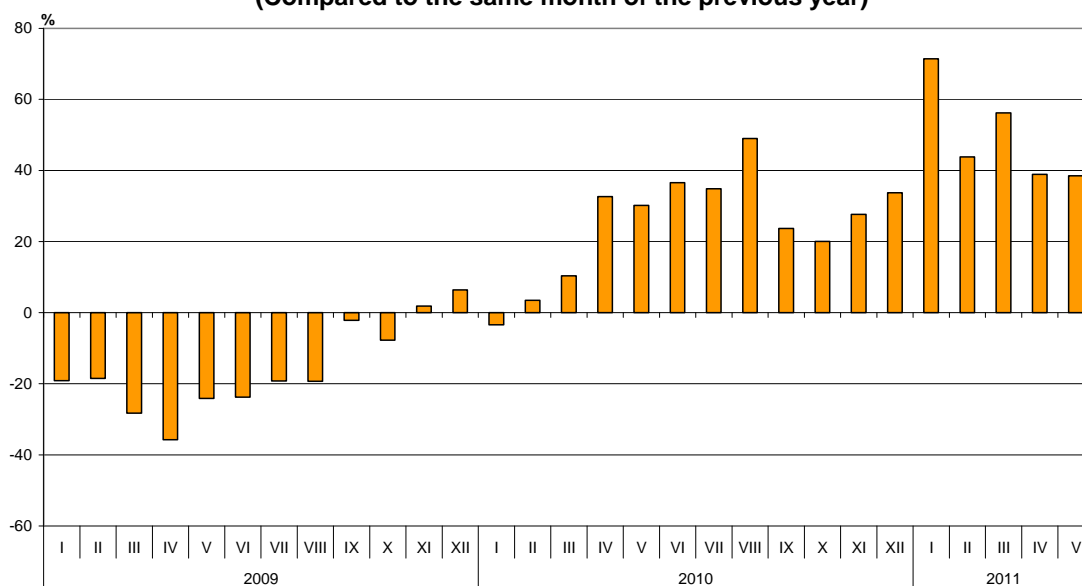


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - MAY 2011 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - May 2011** the Bulgarian **exports** to the **EU** increased by 48.7% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 9.6 billion leva (Table 1.1 and 1.2). The main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Romania, Italy, Greece and Belgium, that formed 67.2 % of the total exports to the EU Member states (Table.2). The most significant growths were observed in the exports to Malta, Portugal, Denmark and Belgium. The most notable falls were registered in the exports to Slovakia.

In **May 2011** the exports to the EU increased by 38.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and exceeded 2.0 billion leva.

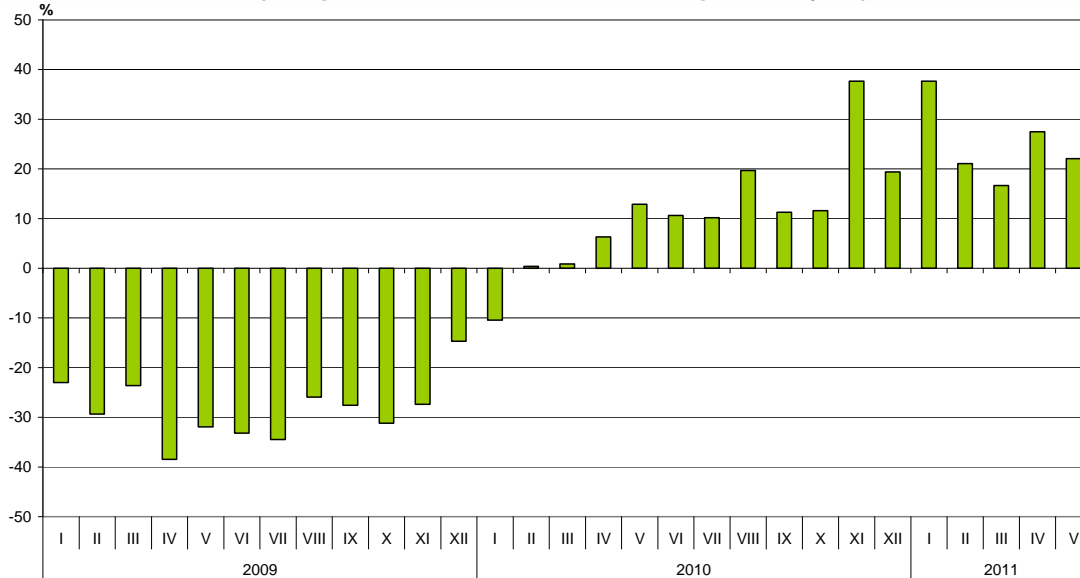
**Figure 1. Nominal growth of exports to EU for the period
2009 - 2011
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



Bulgarian **imports** from the **EU** in the period **January - May 2011** increased by 24.3% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 10.1 billion leva at CIF prices (Tables 1.1 and 1.2). The most significant growths were reported on the imports from Malta and Latvia (Table 2). The largest decreases were observed in the imports from Finland and Portugal.

In **May 2011** the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States increased by 22.1% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2.3 billion leva at CIF prices.

Figure 2. Nominal growth of imports from EU for the period
2009 - 2011
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)



The **foreign trade balance** of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with **EU** in the period January - May 2011 was negative and amounted to 532.5 million leva (Table 1.1). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the trade balance was also negative and amounted to 13.4 million leva.

The **exports** of Bulgaria to the **EU** distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, increased in all sections in the first fifth months of 2011 compared to the corresponding period of the previous year (Table 3). The largest growths were recorded in the sections, “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”¹, “Chemical and related products” and “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material”².

The largest growths on **imports** from the **EU** were reported in sections “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”, „Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”³ and the lowest - in section “Mineral fuels, lubricant and related materials”.

¹ 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.

² The section includes the following divisions: leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s. and dressed furskins; rubber manufactures, n.e.s.; cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture); paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard; textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products; non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.; iron and steel; non-ferrous metals; manufactures of metals, n.e.s.

³ The section includes the following divisions: animal oils and fats; fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated; animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes of animal or vegetable origin; inedible mixtures or preparations of animal or vegetable fats or oils, n.e.s.

ANNEX

Table 1.1

Exports, imports and trade balance for the period January - May 2010¹ and 2011¹ 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.2010	1802.0	1075.2	726.8	2267.4	1275.0	992.4	2133.2	1208.9	924.3	-465.4	-199.8	-265.6	-331.2	-133.7	-197.5
II.2010	1964.3	1264.2	700.1	2302.1	1536.6	765.5	2159.5	1446.8	712.7	-337.8	-272.4	-65.4	-195.2	-182.6	-12.6
III.2010	2213.7	1294.7	919.0	2968.8	1784.2	1184.6	2798.0	1697.9	1100.1	-755.1	-489.5	-265.6	-584.3	-403.2	-181.1
I - III.2010	5980.0	3634.1	2345.9	7538.3	4595.8	2942.5	7090.7	4353.6	2737.1	-1558.3	-961.7	-596.6	-1110.7	-719.5	-391.2
IV.2010	2313.3	1327.2	986.1	3069.1	1669.1	1400.0	2890.2	1587.8	1302.4	-755.8	-341.9	-413.9	-576.9	-260.6	-316.3
V.2010	2370.3	1467.1	903.2	3225.1	1857.2	1367.9	3027.6	1759.9	1267.7	-854.8	-390.1	-464.7	-657.3	-292.8	-364.5
I - V.2010	10663.6	6428.4	4235.2	13832.5	8122.1	5710.4	13008.5	7701.3	5307.2	-3168.9	-1693.7	-1475.2	-2344.9	-1272.9	-1072.0
I.2011	3109.1	1843.4	1265.7	3115.3	1755.4	1359.9	2924.8	1668.2	1256.6	-6.2	88.0	-94.2	184.3	175.2	9.1
II.2011	2914.4	1818.1	1096.3	3129.3	1860.2	1269.1	2943.3	1771.1	1172.2	-214.9	-42.1	-172.8	-28.9	47.0	-75.9
III.2011	3318.5	2022.5	1296.0	3574.0	2081.4	1492.6	3371.1	1978.4	1392.7	-255.5	-58.9	-196.6	-52.6	44.1	-96.7
I - III.2011	9342.0	5684.0	3658.0	9818.6	5697.0	4121.6	9239.2	5417.7	3821.5	-476.6	-13.0	-463.6	102.8	266.3	-163.5
IV.2011	3138.2	1843.6	1294.6	3721.2	2128.0	1593.2	3481.5	2001.0	1480.5	-583.0	-284.4	-298.6	-343.3	-157.4	-185.9
V.2011	3240.5	2032.1	1208.4	3852.7	2267.2	1585.5	3612.6	2154.4	1458.2	-612.2	-235.1	-377.1	-372.1	-122.3	-249.8
I - V.2011	15720.7	9559.7	6161.0	17392.5	10092.2	7300.3	16333.3	9573.1	6760.2	-1671.8	-532.5	-1139.3	-612.6	-13.4	-599.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.08.2011.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.

Table 1.2

Growth of exports and imports for the period January - May 2011¹ 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	72.5	71.4	74.1	37.4	37.7	37.0	37.1	38.0	36.0
II	48.4	43.8	56.6	35.9	21.1	65.8	36.3	22.4	64.5
III	49.9	56.2	41.0	20.4	16.7	26.0	20.5	16.5	26.6
I - III	56.2	56.4	55.9	30.2	24.0	40.1	30.3	24.4	39.6
IV	35.7	38.9	31.3	21.2	27.5	13.8	20.5	26.0	13.7
V	36.7	38.5	33.8	19.5	22.1	15.9	19.3	22.4	15.0
I - V	47.4	48.7	45.5	25.7	24.3	27.8	25.6	24.3	27.4

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.08.2011.



Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main trade partners¹
for the period January - May 2010² and 2011²

Countries and groups of countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	10663.6	15720.7	47.4	13832.5	17392.5	25.7	-3168.9	-1671.8
EU	6428.4	9559.7	48.7	8122.1	10092.2	24.3	-1693.7	-532.5
Austria	199.2	313.0	57.1	532.6	582.0	9.3	-333.4	-269.0
Belgium	394.3	860.4	118.2	259.6	312.1	20.2	134.7	548.3
Cyprus	30.2	42.2	39.7	19.7	29.9	51.8	10.5	12.3
Czech Republic	97.4	165.6	70.0	279.1	280.7	0.6	-181.7	-115.1
Denmark	38.7	84.8	119.1	76.8	69.0	-10.2	-38.1	15.8
Estonia	6.1	10.0	63.9	2.6	2.8	7.7	3.5	7.2
Finland	16.7	23.1	38.3	64.6	47.8	-26.0	-47.9	-24.7
France	431.9	613.9	42.1	471.0	573.8	21.8	-39.1	40.1
Germany	1146.2	1920.5	67.6	1553.2	1939.5	24.9	-407.0	-19.0
Greece	912.5	1021.4	11.9	755.4	1037.5	37.3	157.1	-16.1
Hungary	131.7	214.4	62.8	448.7	535.8	19.4	-317.0	-321.4
Ireland	7.7	10.9	41.6	36.5	62.0	69.9	-28.8	-51.1
Italy	1088.0	1271.7	16.9	995.1	1279.6	28.6	92.9	-7.9
Latvia	11.9	14.2	19.3	7.5	15.6	108.0	4.4	-1.4
Lithuania	18.3	20.1	9.8	18.7	25.8	38.0	-0.4	-5.7
Luxembourg	16.2	20.6	27.2	9.4	10.0	6.4	6.8	10.6
Malta	3.3	53.4	1518.2	5.2	13.7	163.5	-1.9	39.7
Netherlands	178.2	291.0	63.3	374.7	449.2	19.9	-196.5	-158.2
Poland	187.9	336.7	79.2	279.7	307.4	9.9	-91.8	29.3
Portugal	18.8	63.8	239.4	58.5	48.2	-17.6	-39.7	15.6
Romania	821.2	1353.3	64.8	998.7	1260.8	26.2	-177.5	92.5
Slovakia	86.6	82.4	-4.8	146.8	228.9	55.9	-60.2	-146.5
Slovenia	85.6	92.8	8.4	104.0	122.9	18.2	-18.4	-30.1
Spain	235.1	291.7	24.1	352.5	466.0	32.2	-117.4	-174.3
Sweden	52.1	92.2	77.0	63.4	107.3	69.2	-11.3	-15.1
United Kingdom	207.7	290.1	39.7	196.5	270.9	37.9	11.2	19.2
Not specified	4.9	5.5	12.2	11.6	13.0	12.1	-6.7	-7.5
Non EU countries	4235.2	6161.0	45.5	5710.4	7300.3	27.8	-1475.2	-1139.3
CIS	567.6	778.3	37.1	2915.6	4284.2	46.9	-2348.0	-3505.9
of which:								
Georgia	88.9	138.0	55.2	137.1	159.8	16.6	-48.2	-21.8
Kazakhstan	13.4	15.4	14.9	2.8	101.9	3539.3	10.6	-86.5
Russian Fed.	301.8	386.7	28.1	2177.7	3226.4	48.2	-1875.9	-2839.7
Ukraine	82.1	133.0	62.0	565.1	750.6	32.8	-483.0	-617.6
OECD³	1257.9	2093.7	66.4	1116.0	1263.2	13.2	141.9	830.5
of which:								
Canada	19.6	36.1	84.2	44.2	13.4	-69.7	-24.6	22.7
Japan	12.2	15.9	30.3	56.2	55.2	-1.8	-44.0	-39.3
Korea, Rep. of	38.2	66.5	74.1	33.7	84.6	151.0	4.5	-18.1
Turkey	959.6	1575.1	64.1	736.5	805.9	9.4	223.1	769.2
USA	117.8	236.6	100.8	103.4	133.9	29.5	14.4	102.7



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EFTA	89.6	129.9	45.0	131.3	159.1	21.2	-41.7	-29.2
of which:								
Norway	19.7	28.4	44.2	5.0	5.8	16.0	14.7	22.6
Switzerland	66.5	96.1	44.5	122.5	151.8	23.9	-56.0	-55.7
Countries not included								
in the upper groups:								
Albania	45.6	38.3	-16.0	8.5	14.6	71.8	37.1	23.7
Bosnia and Herzegovina	25.6	30.8	20.3	5.3	4.2	-20.8	20.3	26.6
Brazil	23.0	25.1	9.1	55.2	53.0	-4.0	-32.2	-27.9
China	169.8	238.0	40.2	343.0	485.7	41.6	-173.2	-247.7
Croatia	84.2	106.5	26.5	18.1	20.5	13.3	66.1	86.0
Egypt	102.4	113.9	11.2	12.3	27.5	123.6	90.1	86.4
India	20.1	88.8	341.8	31.3	47.8	52.7	-11.2	41.0
Indonesia	10.8	9.0	-16.7	10.7	14.3	33.6	0.1	-5.3
Iran	33.1	44.8	35.3	6.1	2.7	-55.7	27.0	42.1
Israel	22.2	35.2	58.6	76.5	131.5	71.9	-54.3	-96.3
Peru	6.7	1.9	-71.6	237.0	26.7	-88.7	-230.3	-24.8
Serbia	386.4	390.6	1.1	147.5	183.9	24.7	238.9	206.7
Singapore	181.4	66.5	-63.3	5.0	13.6	172.0	176.4	52.9
South Africa	4.6	117.1	2445.7	4.7	16.9	259.6	-0.1	100.2
Syria	68.9	9.6	-86.1	27.4	30.2	10.2	41.5	-20.6
Taiwan	14.9	18.0	20.8	38.1	44.3	16.3	-23.2	-26.3
The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	214.8	352.8	64.2	187.9	207.7	10.5	26.9	145.1
United Arab Emirates	38.8	24.1	-37.9	14.5	53.2	266.9	24.3	-29.1
Viet - Nam	6.9	10.0	44.9	35.6	14.1	-60.4	-28.7	-4.1

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 09.08.2011.**

³ **Excluding EU countries.**

Exports, imports and trade balance by sections of SITC, rev.4
for the period January - May 2010¹ and 2011¹

Table 3

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth -%	2010	2011	Growth -%	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	10663.6	15720.7	47.4	13832.5	17392.5	25.7	-3168.9	-1671.8
of which EU	6428.4	9559.7	48.7	8122.1	10092.2	24.3	-1693.7	-532.5
Food and live animals	912.1	1261.9	38.4	1079.1	1281.5	18.8	-167.0	-19.6
of which EU	702.8	966.8	37.6	841.9	1055.3	25.3	-139.1	-88.5
Beverages and tobacco	247.7	292.7	18.2	178.7	191.8	7.3	69.0	100.9
of which EU	105.2	122.4	16.3	129.1	137.7	6.7	-23.9	-15.3
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	869.3	1481.0	70.4	1237.9	1405.6	13.5	-368.6	75.4
of which EU	407.4	843.9	107.1	395.8	734.4	85.5	11.6	109.5
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1243.9	2217.2	78.2	2975.3	4129.5	38.8	-1731.4	-1912.3
of which EU	296.8	411.4	38.6	488.0	483.9	-0.8	-191.2	-72.5
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	57.3	84.2	46.9	57.8	86.8	50.2	-0.5	-2.6
of which EU	42.7	62.2	45.7	42.3	66.0	56.0	0.4	-3.8
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	880.6	1248.5	41.8	1645.2	2109.9	28.2	-764.6	-861.4
of which EU	333.7	576.5	72.8	1351.7	1673.0	23.8	-1018.0	-1096.5
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2619.6	4241.7	61.9	2352.3	3051.2	29.7	267.3	1190.5
of which EU	1613.2	2772.8	71.9	1532.8	1909.8	24.6	80.4	863.0
Machinery and transport equipment	1891.0	2647.2	40.0	3226.3	3932.1	21.9	-1335.3	-1284.9
of which EU	1396.0	1941.4	39.1	2501.7	3098.1	23.8	-1105.7	-1156.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1929.1	2230.3	15.6	1042.3	1159.2	11.2	886.8	1071.1
of which EU	1527.3	1853.4	21.4	807.5	898.3	11.2	719.8	955.1
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	13.0	16.0	23.1	37.6	44.9	19.4	-24.6	-28.9
of which EU	3.3	8.9	169.7	31.3	35.7	14.1	-28.0	-26.8

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