

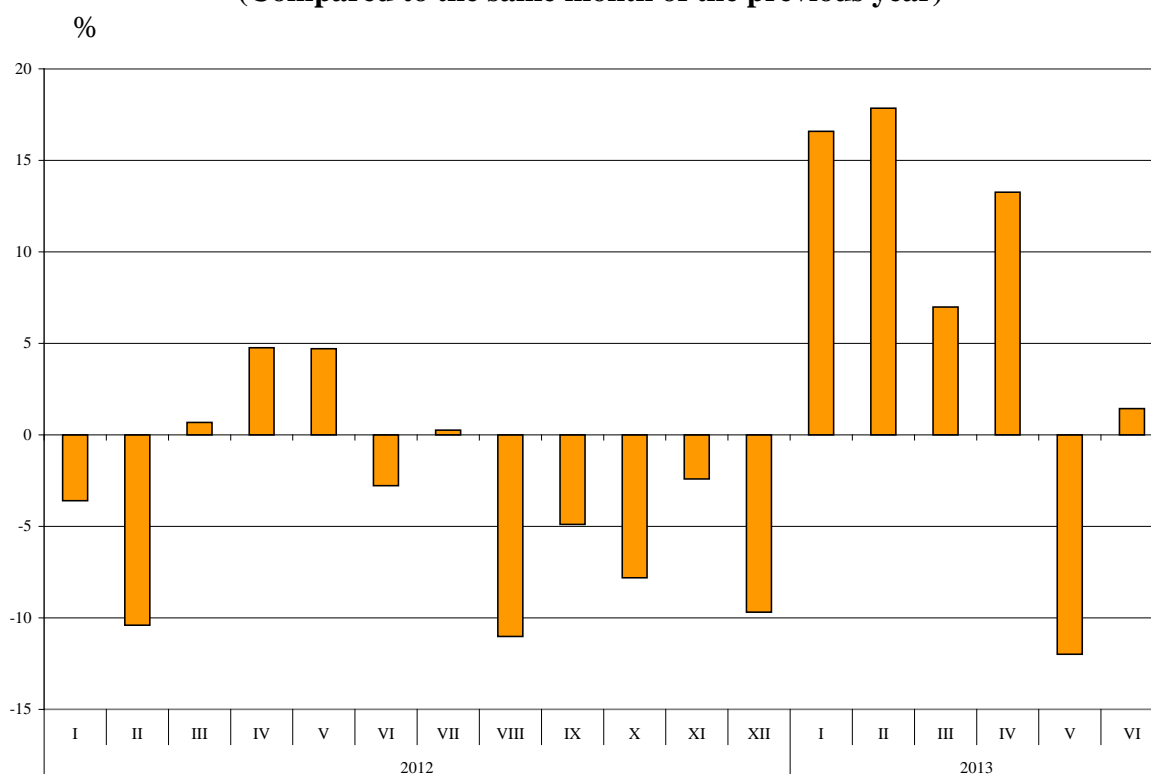


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - JUNE 2013 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - June 2013** the Bulgarian **exports to the EU** increased by 6.5% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 12.3 Billion Levs (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Italy, Romania, Greece and France which accounted for 69.5% of the exports to the EU Member States (Annex, Table 3).

In **June 2013** the exports to the EU increased by 1.4% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2.0 Billion Levs.

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



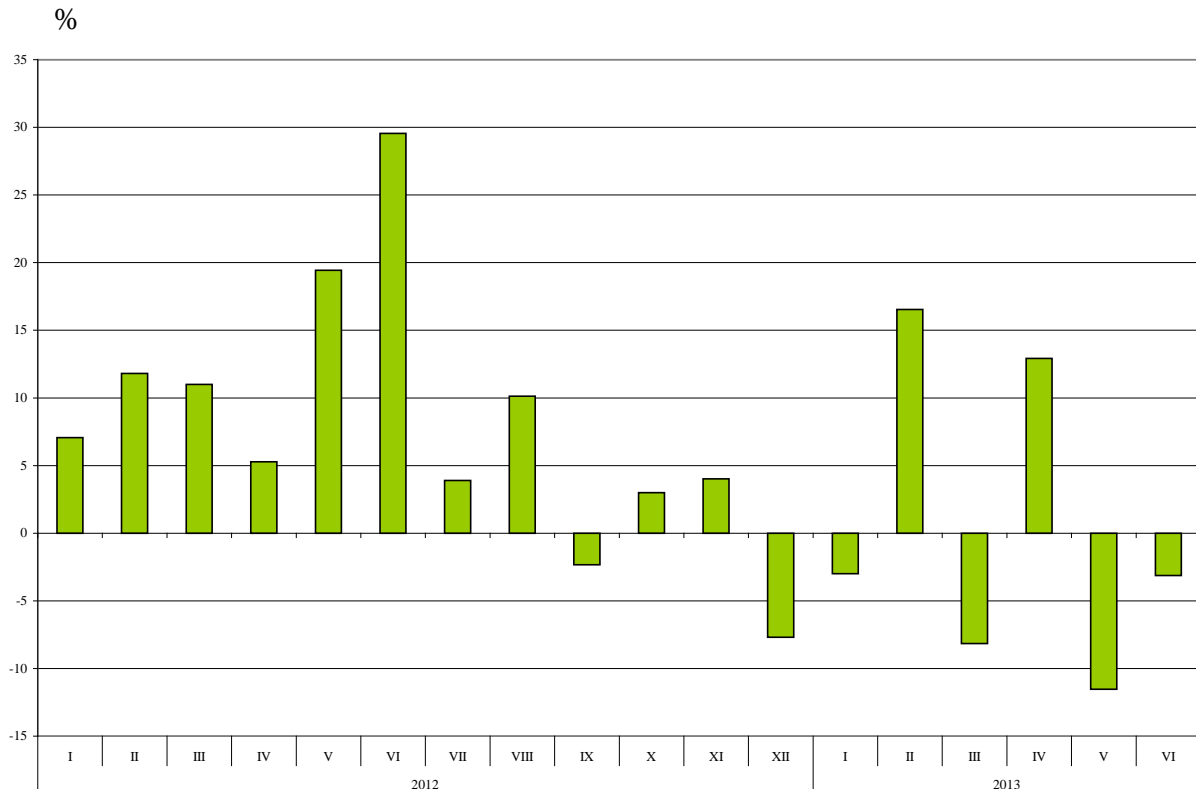
Bulgarian **imports from the EU** in the period January - June 2013 decreased by 6.8 Million Levs compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and added up to 14.4 Billion Levs at CIF prices (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Germany, Italy, Romania, Greece and Spain (Annex, Table 3).

In **June 2013** the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States decreased by 3.1% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2.6 Billion Levs at CIF prices.

¹ Value changes at current prices.



**Figure 2. Nominal value¹ change of imports of Bulgaria from EU 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 EU** in the period January – June 2013 was negative and added up to 2 178.5 Million Levs (Annex, Table 1). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the trade balance was also negative and amounted to 1 519.9 Million Levs.

In the first six months of **2013** compared to the corresponding period of the previous year the largest growth (26.2%) **in the exports** of Bulgaria **to EU** distributed according to the Standard International Trade Classification (Annex, Table 4) was recorded in the section “Beverages and tobacco”. The most notable fall (8.4%) was recorded in section “Food and live animals”.

In imports from EU the largest increase (9.1%) was reported in section “Chemical and related products n.e.c.” while the most notable fall (6.7%) was observed in the section “Machinery and transport equipment”.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

Table 1

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

(Million Levs)

Months/Periods	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.2012	2810.3	1724.6	1085.7	3501.3	2127.5	1373.8	3330.7	2027.2	1303.5	-691.0	-402.9	-288.1	-520.4	-302.6	-217.8
II.2012	2862.9	1649.4	1213.5	3603.3	2122.8	1480.5	3433.5	2030.1	1403.4	-740.4	-473.4	-267.0	-570.6	-380.7	-189.9
III.2012	3363.6	2041.0	1322.6	4207.2	2535.5	1671.7	4008.0	2421.3	1586.7	-843.6	-494.5	-349.1	-644.4	-380.3	-264.1
I - III.2012	9036.8	5415.0	3621.8	11311.8	6785.8	4526.0	10772.2	6478.6	4293.6	-2275.0	-1370.8	-904.2	-1735.4	-1063.6	-671.8
IV.2012	3171.8	1939.0	1232.8	4277.3	2343.6	1933.7	4068.0	2241.4	1826.6	-1105.5	-404.6	-700.9	-896.2	-302.4	-593.8
V.2012	3647.7	2137.2	1510.5	4646.8	2673.1	1973.7	4420.4	2551.0	1869.4	-999.1	-535.9	-463.2	-772.7	-413.8	-358.9
VI.2012	3462.2	2009.8	1452.4	4372.3	2636.6	1735.7	4158.3	2511.2	1647.1	-910.1	-626.8	-283.3	-696.1	-501.4	-194.7
IV - VI.2012	10281.7	6086.0	4195.7	13296.4	7653.3	5643.1	12646.7	7303.6	5343.1	-3014.7	-1567.3	-1447.4	-2365.0	-1217.6	-1147.4
I - VI.2012	19318.5	11501.0	7817.5	24608.2	14439.1	10169.1	23418.9	13782.2	9636.7	-5289.7	-2938.1	-2351.6	-4100.4	-2281.2	-1819.2
I.2013	3474.0	2010.7	1463.3	3726.5	2064.0	1662.5	3540.4	1970.9	1569.5	-252.5	-53.3	-199.2	-66.4	39.8	-106.2
II.2013	3242.9	1943.8	1299.1	4066.1	2473.9	1592.2	3859.2	2354.1	1505.1	-823.2	-530.1	-293.1	-616.3	-410.3	-206.0
III.2013	3497.5	2183.6	1313.9	3861.5	2328.8	1532.7	3682.3	2228.0	1454.3	-364.0	-145.2	-218.8	-184.8	-44.4	-140.4
I - III.2013	10214.4	6138.1	4076.3	11654.1	6866.7	4787.4	11081.9	6553.0	4528.9	-1439.7	-728.6	-711.1	-867.5	-414.9	-452.6
IV.2013	3857.7	2196.2	1661.5	4392.8	2646.5	1746.3	4184.5	2522.8	1661.7	-535.1	-450.3	-84.8	-326.8	-326.6	-0.2
V.2013	3316.2	1880.9	1435.3	4137.2	2364.9	1772.3	3938.3	2259.8	1678.5	-821.0	-484.0	-337.0	-622.1	-378.9	-243.2
VI.2013	3443.1	2038.6	1404.5	4251.4	2554.2	1697.2	4045.4	2438.1	1607.3	-808.3	-515.6	-292.7	-602.3	-399.5	-202.8
IV - VI.2013	10617.0	6115.7	4501.3	12781.4	7565.6	5215.8	12168.2	7220.7	4947.5	-2164.4	-1449.9	-714.5	-1551.2	-1105.0	-446.2
I - VI.2013	20831.4	12253.8	8577.6	24435.5	14432.3	10003.2	23250.1	13773.7	9476.4	-3604.1	-2178.5	-1425.6	-2418.7	-1519.9	-898.8

¹ Data are preliminary as of 10.09.2013.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.



Table 2

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

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I	23.6	16.6	34.8	6.4	-3.0	21.0	6.3	-2.8	20.4
II	13.3	17.8	7.1	12.8	16.5	7.5	12.4	16.0	7.2
III	4.0	7.0	-0.7	-8.2	-8.2	-8.3	-8.1	-8.0	-8.3
I - III	13.0	13.4	12.5	3.0	1.2	5.8	2.9	1.1	5.5
IV	21.6	13.3	34.8	2.7	12.9	-9.7	2.9	12.6	-9.0
V	-9.1	-12.0	-5.0	-11.0	-11.5	-10.2	-10.9	-11.4	-10.2
VI	-0.6	1.4	-3.3	-2.8	-3.1	-2.2	-2.7	-2.9	-2.4
IV - VI	3.3	0.5	7.3	-3.9	-1.1	-7.6	-3.8	-1.1	-7.4
I - VI	7.8	6.5	9.7	-0.7	0.0	-1.6	-0.7	-0.1	-1.7

¹Data are preliminary as of 10.09.2013.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹ of Bulgaria for the period January - June 2012 and 2013²

Countries and groups of 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 Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	19318.5	20831.4	7.8	24608.2	24435.5	-0.7	-5289.7	-3604.1
EU	11501.0	12253.8	6.5	14439.1	14432.3	0.0	-2938.1	-2178.5
Austria	364.0	364.0	0.0	733.0	677.5	-7.6	-369.0	-313.5
Belgium	742.8	581.2	-21.8	413.7	440.6	6.5	329.1	140.6
Cyprus	73.0	63.6	-12.9	113.0	34.4	-69.6	-40.0	29.2
Czech Republic	227.4	232.0	2.0	445.6	517.2	16.1	-218.2	-285.2
Denmark	86.6	102.3	18.1	89.0	75.4	-15.3	-2.4	26.9
Estonia	10.6	20.9	97.2	5.5	13.3	141.8	5.1	7.6
Finland	30.4	29.7	-2.3	63.4	42.9	-32.3	-33.0	-13.2
France	820.9	884.1	7.7	712.9	728.7	2.2	108.0	155.4
Germany	2062.0	2638.4	28.0	2861.2	2580.0	-9.8	-799.2	58.4
Greece	1420.6	1468.7	3.4	1403.7	1332.0	-5.1	16.9	136.7
Hungary	237.4	255.5	7.6	678.2	738.3	8.9	-440.8	-482.8
Ireland	14.8	18.4	24.3	79.1	86.0	8.7	-64.3	-67.6
Italy	1745.9	2021.9	15.8	1608.9	1847.7	14.8	137.0	174.2
Latvia	24.5	24.3	-0.8	15.8	12.9	-18.4	8.7	11.4
Lithuania	27.6	39.8	44.2	39.0	39.9	2.3	-11.4	-0.1
Luxembourg	3.0	3.9	30.0	17.5	36.2	106.9	-14.5	-32.3
Malta	8.8	21.9	148.9	4.6	6.3	37.0	4.2	15.6
Netherlands	352.0	459.0	30.4	787.8	630.1	-20.0	-435.8	-171.1
Poland	321.6	384.3	19.5	469.2	653.0	39.2	-147.6	-268.7
Portugal	156.3	126.3	-19.2	88.5	43.9	-50.4	67.8	82.4
Romania	1445.1	1503.3	4.0	1615.0	1657.3	2.6	-169.9	-154.0
Slovakia	113.2	147.1	29.9	306.2	297.4	-2.9	-193.0	-150.3
Slovenia	249.7	70.7	-71.7	152.6	158.9	4.1	97.1	-88.2
Spain	452.3	267.1	-40.9	1257.0	1275.7	1.5	-804.7	-1008.6
Sweden	92.7	107.2	15.6	126.0	141.1	12.0	-33.3	-33.9
United Kingdom	391.7	396.2	1.1	335.3	349.7	4.3	56.4	46.5
Not specified	26.1	22.0	-15.7	17.4	15.9	-8.6	8.7	6.1

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.

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Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹ of Bulgaria for the period January - June 2012 and 2013²

(Continued)

Countries and groups of 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 Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Non EU countries	7817.5	8577.6	9.7	10169.1	10003.2	-1.6	-2351.6	-1425.6
CIS³	848.4	1080.3	27.3	5769.9	5292.5	-8.3	-4921.5	-4212.2
of which:								
Kazakhstan	26.6	29.5	10.9	33.6	43.1	28.3	-7.0	-13.6
Russian Federation	512.4	528.8	3.2	5056.7	4672.5	-7.6	-4544.3	-4143.7
Ukraine	148.0	357.3	141.4	624.7	497.1	-20.4	-476.7	-139.8
OECD⁴	2617.3	2962.2	13.2	1810.9	2197.6	21.4	806.4	764.6
of which:								
Canada	119.1	108.8	-8.6	52.7	15.8	-70.0	66.4	93.0
Israel	123.8	88.6	-28.4	59.2	52.7	-11.0	64.6	35.9
Japan	21.3	26.5	24.4	66.3	61.0	-8.0	-45.0	-34.5
Korea, Republic of	132.1	103.2	-21.9	109.1	83.3	-23.6	23.0	19.9
Turkey	1721.9	2081.0	20.9	1115.6	1410.9	26.5	606.3	670.1
United States	277.1	311.9	12.6	178.5	170.7	-4.4	98.6	141.2
EFTA⁵	176.4	189.0	7.1	196.1	228.0	16.3	-19.7	-39.0
of which:								
Norway	28.7	30.6	6.6	6.0	16.4	173.3	22.7	14.2
Switzerland	141.1	149.3	5.8	189.7	211.4	11.4	-48.6	-62.1

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³ CIS includes: Azerbaijan; Armenia; Belarus; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyz, Republic; Moldova, Republic of; Russian Federation; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan; Uzbekistan and Ukraine.

⁴ OECD includes: Australia; Virgin Islands (US); United States; Iceland; Canada; Mexico; New Zealand; Norway; Korea, Republic of; Turkey; Switzerland; Japan; Israel and Chile.

⁵ EFTA includes: Norway; Switzerland; Iceland and Liechtenstein.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹ of Bulgaria for the period January - June 2012 and 2013²

(Continued and end)

Countries and groups of 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 Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Countries not included in the upper groups								
Albania	46.4	50.3	8.4	19.4	15.9	-18.0	27.0	34.4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	32.9	37.1	12.8	13.0	26.4	103.1	19.9	10.7
Brazil	59.1	11.2	-81.0	131.7	40.1	-69.6	-72.6	-28.9
China	544.7	517.1	-5.1	843.2	747.6	-11.3	-298.5	-230.5
Croatia	63.8	46.6	-27.0	28.0	32.5	16.1	35.8	14.1
Egypt	121.0	183.5	51.7	48.4	38.3	-20.9	72.6	145.2
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	394.6	326.8	-17.2	235.0	275.2	17.1	159.6	51.6
Georgia	219.4	176.9	-19.4	164.4	237.2	44.3	55.0	-60.3
India	29.8	27.3	-8.4	72.2	110.9	53.6	-42.4	-83.6
Indonesia	14.5	18.6	28.3	19.7	26.3	33.5	-5.2	-7.7
Iran, Islamic Republic of	16.7	11.9	-28.7	7.1	2.0	-71.8	9.6	9.9
Peru	2.3	9.9	330.4	85.5	6.3	-92.6	-83.2	3.6
Serbia	451.2	355.9	-21.1	230.5	233.9	1.5	220.7	122.0
Singapore	6.6	8.9	34.8	14.4	13.9	-3.5	-7.8	-5.0
South Africa	80.8	220.8	173.3	36.1	26.1	-27.7	44.7	194.7
Syrian Arab Republic	26.0	54.3	108.8	30.7	20.2	-34.2	-4.7	34.1
Taiwan	24.2	26.1	7.9	72.7	61.8	-15.0	-48.5	-35.7
United Arab Emirates	166.0	129.1	-22.2	76.0	49.3	-35.1	90.0	79.8
Viet Nam	11.0	14.6	32.7	30.1	29.2	-3.0	-19.1	-14.6

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Table 4
Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by sections of SITC, rev.4 for the period January - June 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 Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	19318.5	20831.4	7.8	24608.2	24435.5	-0.7	-5289.7	-3604.1
of which EU	11501.0	12253.8	6.5	14439.1	14432.3	0.0	-2938.1	-2178.5
Food and live animals	1690.8	1870.3	10.6	1671.1	1749.4	4.7	19.7	120.9
of which EU	1274.4	1167.7	-8.4	1438.5	1437.1	-0.1	-164.1	-269.4
Beverages and tobacco	424.2	499.2	17.7	305.6	310.4	1.6	118.6	188.8
of which EU	153.1	193.2	26.2	228.0	220.1	-3.5	-74.9	-26.9
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1731.1	1823.1	5.3	2384.7	2329.0	-2.3	-653.6	-505.9
of which EU	734.4	828.9	12.9	1513.1	1436.0	-5.1	-778.7	-607.1
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	2873.1	3116.7	8.5	5974.4	5754.8	-3.7	-3101.3	-2638.1
of which EU	693.0	658.7	-4.9	823.6	889.8	8.0	-130.6	-231.1
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	149.0	144.2	-3.2	107.7	105.5	-2.0	41.3	38.7
of which EU	110.0	112.4	2.2	77.9	82.9	6.4	32.1	29.5
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	1643.8	1759.6	7.0	2682.0	3020.1	12.6	-1038.2	-1260.5
of which EU	738.8	917.5	24.2	2089.5	2279.7	9.1	-1350.7	-1362.2
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	4723.9	4917.9	4.1	3863.2	3960.9	2.5	860.7	957.0
of which EU	3034.8	3288.2	8.3	2432.2	2470.1	1.6	602.6	818.1
Machinery and transport equipment	3227.2	3861.1	19.6	6107.1	5572.2	-8.8	-2879.9	-1711.1
of which EU	2383.9	2749.9	15.4	4691.4	4376.2	-6.7	-2307.5	-1626.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2812.9	2787.0	-0.9	1453.7	1517.0	4.4	1359.2	1270.0
of which EU	2364.6	2318.7	-1.9	1094.6	1138.4	4.0	1270.0	1180.3
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	42.5	52.3	23.1	58.7	116.2	98.0	-16.2	-63.9
of which EU	14.0	18.6	32.9	50.3	102.0	102.8	-36.3	-83.4

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