



### BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - AUGUST 2015 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - August 2015** Bulgarian **exports to the EU** increased by 9.7% compared to the corresponding period of 2014 and amounted to 19.2 Billion BGN (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Italy, Romania, Greece, France and Belgium which accounted for 69.8% of the exports to the EU Member States (Annex, Table 3).

In **August** 2015 the exports to the EU increased by 6.7% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2.5 Billion BGN.

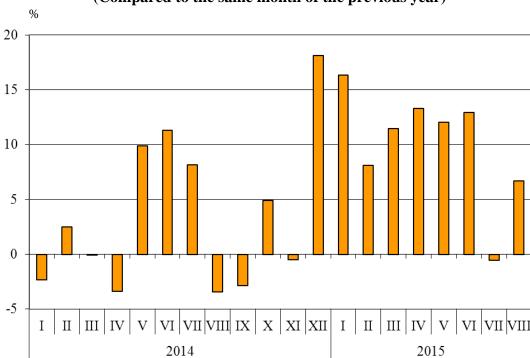


Figure 1. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of exports of Bulgaria to EU in the period 2014 - 2015 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)

Bulgarian **imports from the EU** in the period January - August 2015 increased by 6.9% compared to the same period of 2014 and added up to 21.6 Billion BGN at CIF prices (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Germany, Italy, Romania, Spain and Greece (Annex, Table 3).

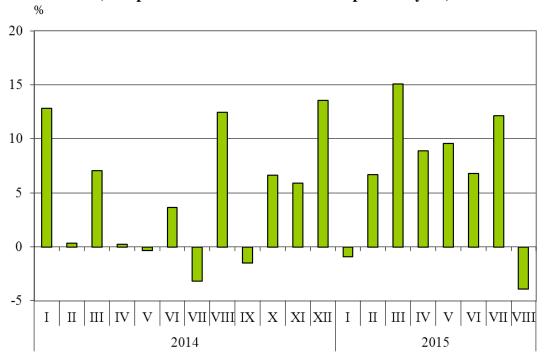
In **August** 2015 the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States decreased by 3.9% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2.4 Billion BGN at CIF prices.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Value changes at current prices.





Figure 2. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of imports of Bulgaria from EU in the period 2014 - 2015 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)



The **foreign trade balance** of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) **with** the **EU** in the period January - August 2015 was negative and added up to 2 328.9 Million BGN (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 876.2 Million BGN.

In the first eight months of **2015** compared to the same period of 2014 the largest growth **in the exports** of Bulgaria to the **EU** distributed according to the Standard International Trade Classification (Annex, Table 4) was recorded in the sections 'Chemical and related products n.e.c.' (19.6%) and 'Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials' (17.7%). Fall was recorded in section 'Beverages and tobacco' (7.1%).

In **imports from** the **EU** the largest growth was reported in the section 'Beverages and tobacco' (21.1%) while the most notable fall was observed in section 'Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials' (24.8%).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Value changes at current prices.





#### Annex

#### Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period January - August 2014 and 2015<sup>1</sup> by months

Table 1
(Million BGN)

	-	Exports - F	ОВ		Imports - (	CIF	-	Imports - F	OB <sup>2</sup>	Trac	de balance -	FOB/CIF	Trade balance - FOB/FOB <sup>2</sup>		
Months/Periods	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU
I.2014	3099.1	1970.5	1128.6	3955.8	2333.1	1622.7	3677.7	2172.5	1505.2	-856.7	-362.6	-494.1	-578.6	-202.0	-376.6
II.2014	3226.8	2001.1	1225.7	3795.4	2466.6	1328.8	3535.1	2306.6	1228.5	-568.6	-465.5	-103.1	-308.3	-305.5	-2.8
III.2014	3193.6	2171.8	1021.8	3935.8	2497.8	1438.0	3687.1	2341.3	1345.8	-742.2	-326.0	-416.2	-493.5	-169.5	-324.0
I - III.2014	9519.5	6143.4	3376.1	11687.0	7297.5	4389.5	10899.9	6820.4	4079.5	-2167.5	-1154.1	-1013.4	-1380.4	-677.0	-703.4
IV.2014	3468.6	2117.6	1351.0	4303.1	2630.3	1672.8	4017.5	2455.1	1562.4	-834.5	-512.7	-321.8	-548.9	-337.5	-211.4
V.2014	3499.0	2065.0	1434.0	4132.0	2366.2	1765.8	3856.8	2213.1	1643.7	-633.0	-301.2	-331.8	-357.8	-148.1	-209.7
VI.2014	3704.8	2271.5	1433.3	4168.0	2641.9	1526.1	3881.1	2464.1	1417.0	-463.2	-370.4	-92.8	-176.3	-192.6	16.3
IV - VI.2014	10672.4	6454.1	4218.3	12603.1	7638.4	4964.7	11755.4	7132.3	4623.1	-1930.7	-1184.3	-746.4	-1083.0	-678.2	-404.8
I - VI.2014	20191.9	12597.5	7594.4	24290.1	14935.9	9354.2	22655.3	13952.7	8702.6	-4098.2	-2338.4	-1759.8	-2463.4	-1355.2	-1108.2
VII.2014	4016.0	2636.7	1379.3	4397.0	2760.6	1636.4	4100.4	2576.8	1523.6	-381.0	-123.9	-257.1	-84.4	59.9	-144.3
VIII.2014	3801.9	2302.9	1499.0	4309.1	2465.1	1844.0	4002.5	2291.9	1710.6	-507.2	-162.2	-345.0	-200.6	11.0	-211.6
I - VIII.2014	28009.8	17537.1	10472.7	32996.2	20161.6	12834.6	30758.2	18821.4	11936.8	-4986.4	-2624.5	-2361.9	-2748.4	-1284.3	-1464.1
I.2015	3389.2	2292.5	1096.7	3776.2	2312.2	1464.0	3499.1	2147.7	1351.4	-387.0	-19.7	-367.3	-109.9	144.8	-254.7
II.2015	3419.5	2162.9	1256.6	4118.0	2631.8	1486.2	3831.2	2453.7	1377.5	-698.5	-468.9	-229.6	-411.7	-290.8	-120.9
III.2015	3921.8	2420.8	1501.0	4423.3	2873.9	1549.4	4134.3	2687.0	1447.3	-501.5	-453.1	-48.4	-212.5	-266.2	53.7
I - III.2015	10730.5	6876.2	3854.3	12317.5	7817.9	4499.6	11464.6	7288.4	4176.2	-1587.0	-941.7	-645.3	-734.1	-412.2	-321.9
IV.2015	3899.9	2399.4	1500.5	4523.0	2864.6	1658.4	4203.4	2662.5	1540.9	-623.1	-465.2	-157.9	-303.5	-263.1	-40.4
V.2015	3737.1	2313.2	1423.9	4200.3	2592.9	1607.4	3922.3	2424.4	1497.9	-463.2	-279.7	-183.5	-185.2	-111.2	-74.0
VI.2015	4027.8	2564.7	1463.1	4425.8	2821.7	1604.1	4137.0	2639.9	1497.1	-398.0	-257.0	-141.0	-109.2	-75.2	-34.0
IV - VI.2015	11664.8	7277.3	4387.5	13149.1	8279.2	4869.9	12262.7	7726.8	4535.9	-1484.3	-1001.9	-482.4	-597.9	-449.5	-148.4
I - VI.2015	22395.3	14153.5	8241.8	25466.6	16097.1	9369.5	23727.3	15015.2	8712.1	-3071.3	-1943.6	-1127.7	-1332.0	-861.7	-470.3
VII.2015	4099.8	2622.9	1476.9	4755.4	3096.4	1659.0	4420.4	2879.3	1541.1	-655.6	-473.5	-182.1	-320.6	-256.4	-64.2
VIII.2015	3763.9	2457.4	1306.5	3818.1	2369.2	1448.9	3559.7	2215.5	1344.2	-54.2	88.2	-142.4	204.2	241.9	-37.7
I - VIII.2015	30259.0	19233.8	11025.2	34040.1	21562.7	12477.4	31707.4	20110.0	11597.4	-3781.1	-2328.9	-1452.2	-1448.4	-876.2	-572.2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 9-th November 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> By data of BNB for the transport costs.



 $Table\ 2$  Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria in the period January - August 2015  $^1$  compared to the same period of the previous year

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	]	Exports - I	ЮВ		Imports -	CIF	Imports - FOB			
Months/Ferious	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU	
I	9.4	16.3	-2.8	-4.5	-0.9	-9.8	-4.9	-1.1	-10.2	
II	6.0	8.1	2.5	8.5	6.7	11.8	8.4	6.4	12.1	
III	22.8	11.5	46.9	12.4	15.1	7.7	12.1	14.8	7.5	
I - III	12.7	11.9	14.2	5.4	7.1	2.5	5.2	6.9	2.4	
IV	12.4	13.3	11.1	5.1	8.9	-0.9	4.6	8.4	-1.4	
V	6.8	12.0	-0.7	1.7	9.6	-9.0	1.7	9.5	-8.9	
VI	8.7	12.9	2.1	6.2	6.8	5.1	6.6	7.1	5.7	
IV - VI	9.3	12.8	4.0	4.3	8.4	-1.9	4.3	8.3	-1.9	
I - VI	10.9	12.4	8.5	4.8	7.8	0.2	4.7	7.6	0.1	
VII	2.1	-0.5	7.1	8.2	12.2	1.4	7.8	11.7	1.1	
VIII	-1.0	6.7	-12.8	-11.4	-3.9	-21.4	-11.1	-3.3	-21.4	
I - VIII	8.0	9.7	5.3	3.2	6.9	-2.8	3.1	6.8	-2.8	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 9-th November2015.





Table 3 Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries  $^1$  of Bulgaria in the period January - August 2014 and  $2015^2$ 

	E	xports - F	ОВ	]	Imports - (	Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
Countries and groups of	2014	2015	Change compared	2014	2015	Change compared	2014	2015
countries	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN	
Total	28009.8 30259.0		8.0	32996.2 34040.1		3.2	-4986.4	-3781.1
EU	17537.1	19233.8	9.7	20161.6	21562.7	6.9	-2624.5	-2328.9
Austria	502.7	519.5	3.3	936.2	906.1	-3.2	-433.5	-386.6
Belgium	1199.9	1174.3	-2.1	682.1	747.7	9.6	517.8	426.6
Croatia	112.5	118.4	5.2	56.6	72.4	27.9	55.9	46.0
Cyprus	121.5	231.6	90.6	34.7	51.0	47.0	86.8	180.6
Czech Republic	389.8	489.9	25.7	745.4	705.5	-5.4	-355.6	-215.6
Denmark	132.2	155.7	17.8	123.4	152.4	23.5	8.8	3.3
Estonia	23.2	23.4	0.9	23.8	13.9	-41.6	-0.6	9.5
Finland	84.6	83.4	-1.4	64.2	66.9	4.2	20.4	16.5
France	1250.0	1272.1	1.8	1014.3	1052.7	3.8	235.7	219.4
Germany	3424.5	3820.0	11.5	3876.7	4362.7	12.5	-452.2	-542.7
Greece	1850.1	1917.2	3.6	1623.7	1589.8	-2.1	226.4	327.4
Hungary	386.7	465.0	20.2	1086.8	1233.5	13.5	-700.1	-768.5
Ireland	30.4	29.4	-3.3	101.9	106.6	4.6	-71.5	-77.2
Italy	2565.5	2794.7	8.9	2366.5	2506.5	5.9	199.0	288.2
Latvia	33.4	31.5	-5.7	11.4	33.5	193.9	22.0	-2.0
Lithuania	59.8	57.4	-4.0	52.1	52.4	0.6	7.7	5.0
Luxembourg	3.5	3.4	-2.9	89.8	104.1	15.9	-86.3	-100.7
Malta	44.4	69.4	56.3	134.7	13.6	-89.9	-90.3	55.8
Netherlands	631.8	679.2	7.5	877.0	1099.6	25.4	-245.2	-420.4
Poland	555.6	642.7	15.7	934.8	1008.1	7.8	-379.2	-365.4
Portugal	107.4	113.9	6.1	68.2	68.5	0.4	39.2	45.4
Romania	2260.2	2455.2	8.6	2316.3	2286.4	-1.3	-56.1	168.8
Slovakia	208.8	232.8	11.5	372.9	468.2	25.6	-164.1	-235.4
Slovenia	141.2	214.7	52.1	216.9	225.1	3.8	-75.7	-10.4
Spain	575.9	689.4	19.7	1553.3	1745.3	12.4	-977.4	-1055.9
Sweden	185.3	190.9	3.0	190.6	198.4	4.1	-5.3	-7.5
United Kingdom	616.0	714.5	16.0	583.6	592.1	1.5	32.4	122.4
Not specified	40.2	44.2	10.0	23.7	99.7	320.7	16.5	-55.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Partner country

<sup>-</sup> In case of exports (or dispatches) is the country (or Member State) of final destination of the goods.

<sup>-</sup> In case of imports (or arrivals) is the country (or Member State) of consignment of the goods.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}$  Data are preliminary as of 9th November 2015.





Table 3

## Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries of Bulgaria in the period January - August 2014 and 2015<sup>2</sup>

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(Continued)	E	Exports - F	OB	]	(mports -		Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
Countries and groups of	2014	2015	Change compared	2014	2015	Change compared	2014	2015
Countries and groups of countries	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN	
Non EU countries	10472.7	11025.2	5.3	12834.6	12477.4	-2.8	-2361.9	-1452.2
CIS <sup>3</sup>	1146.2	1036.1	-9.6	5864.3	4891.4	-16.6	-4718.1	-3855.3
of which:								
Kazakhstan	34.8	28.5	-18.1	48.6	34.3	-29.4	-13.8	-5.8
Russian Federation	666.1	525.9	-21.0	4915.3	4142.8	-15.7	-4249.2	-3616.9
Ukraine	193.2	260.9	35.0	774.4	618.8	-20.1	-581.2	-357.9
OECD <sup>4</sup>	3626.8	3839.0	5.9	2960.5	3141.9	6.1	666.3	697.1
of which:								
Canada	42.7	56.5	32.3	28.3	36.3	28.3	14.4	20.2
Israel	152.5	111.8	-26.7	96.0	53.0	-44.8	56.5	58.8
Japan	36.3	54.3	49.6	110.6	100.4	-9.2	-74.3	-46.1
Korea, Republic of	119.3	82.9	-30.5	106.6	107.9	1.2	12.7	-25.0
Turkey	2625.5	2742.7	4.5	1909.3	1942.4	1.7	716.2	800.3
United States	382.6	488.3	27.6	412.4	325.7	-21.0	-29.8	162.6
EFTA <sup>5</sup>	206.9	206.1	-0.4	253.8	270.2	6.5	-46.9	-64.1
of which:								
Norway	40.7	44.6	9.6	24.7	21.3	-13.8	16.0	23.3
Switzerland	163.3	159.7	-2.2	228.2	246.0	7.8	-64.9	-86.3

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> CIS includes: Azerbaijan; Armenia; Belarus; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyz, Republic; Moldova, Republic of; Russian Federation; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan; Uzbekistan and Ukraine.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> EFTA includes: Norway; Switzerland; Iceland and Liechtenstein.





Table 3

## Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries $^1$ of Bulgaria in the period January - August 2014 and $2015^2$

(Continued and end)

(Continued and end)	I	Exports - I	FOB		Imports -		Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
Countries and groups of	2014	2015	Change compared	2014	2015	Change compared	2014	2015
countries and groups of	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN	
Countries not included								
in the upper groups								
Albania	69.1	78.2	13.2	20.1	23.0	14.4	49.0	55.2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	51.1	79.6	55.8	45.0	40.5	-10.0	6.1	39.1
Brazil	17.9	37.4	108.9	67.9	46.3	-31.8	-50.0	-8.9
China	706.5	758.2	7.3	1092.2	1254.4	14.9	-385.7	-496.2
Egypt	275.8	421.6	52.9	212.7	104.6	-50.8	63.1	317.0
Former Yugoslav								
Republic of Macedonia	456.3	488.0	6.9	331.7	346.9	4.6	124.6	141.1
Georgia	252.8	209.0	-17.3	303.5	332.7	9.6	-50.7	-123.7
India	56.7	73.5	29.6	138.6	183.5	32.4	-81.9	-110.0
Indonesia	35.2	37.3	6.0	38.4	44.6	16.1	-3.2	-7.3
Iran, Islamic Republic of	86.2	199.5	131.4	16.4	6.8	-58.5	69.8	192.7
Peru	5.0	4.4	-12.0	23.3	23.4	0.4	-18.3	-19.0
Serbia	460.8	539.9	17.2	410.1	474.4	15.7	50.7	65.5
Singapore	782.6	511.3	-34.7	21.5	31.9	48.4	761.1	479.4
South Africa	40.6	64.5	58.9	30.5	15.5	-49.2	10.1	49.0
Syrian Arab Republic	103.6	38.8	-62.5	27.1	14.6	-46.1	76.5	24.2
Taiwan	25.8	31.1	20.5	104.5	153.3	46.7	-78.7	-122.2
United Arab Emirates	345.7	283.1	-18.1	51.1	120.8	136.4	294.6	162.3
Viet Nam	22.2	41.4	86.5	56.8	65.6	15.5	-34.6	-24.2

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# Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by sections of SITC, rev.4 in the period January - August 2014 and $2015^1$

	E	xports - F	ОВ	In	ports - C	Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
	2014	2015	Change	2014	2015	Change compared	2014	2015
Sections by SITC	Million BGN		compared to the same period of the previous year - %	Million	Million BGN		Million BGN	
Total	28009.8	30259.0	8.0	32996.2	34040.1	3.2	-4986.4	-3781.1
of which EU	17537.1	19233.8	9.7	20161.6	21562.7	6.9	-2624.5	-2328.9
Food and live animals	2749.5	3048.6	10.9	2373.2	2570.8	8.3	376.3	477.8
of which EU	1858.6	1969.0	5.9	1989.2	2043.3	2.7	-130.6	-74.3
Beverages and tobacco	559.6	545.3	-2.6	425.9	449.4	5.5	133.7	95.9
of which EU	200.3	186.1	-7.1	285.8	346.0	21.1	-85.5	-159.9
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1982.7	2060.7	3.9	2729.1	3158.5	15.7	-746.4	-1097.8
of which EU	1171.1	1268.5	8.3	1628.1	1788.9	9.9	-457.0	-520.4
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	3676.5	3388.8	-7.8	6806.4	5544.6	-18.5	-3129.9	-2155.8
of which EU	816.0	960.2	17.7	1254.1	943.4	-24.8	-438.1	16.8
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	236.4	310.7	31.4	126.1	108.2	-14.2	110.3	202.5
of which EU	206.8	218.8	5.8	98.9	75.7	-23.5	107.9	143.1
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	2547.6	2975.3	16.8	4349.3	4814.9	10.7	-1801.7	-1839.6
of which EU	1379.0	1648.7	19.6	3351.6	3708.5	10.6	-1972.6	-2059.8
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	6452.9	6952.2	7.7	5448.6	5759.3	5.7	1004.3	1192.9
of which EU	4279.6	4784.8	11.8	3380.5	3592.6	6.3	899.1	1192.2
Machinery and transport equipment	5497.6	6259.2	13.9	8241.1	8865.3	7.6	-2743.5	-2606.1
of which EU	4044.3	4531.1	12.0	6320.9	7027.5	11.2	-2276.6	-2496.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4235.6	4635.0	9.4	2322.3	2584.5	11.3	1913.3	2050.5
of which EU	3535.6	3606.3	2.0	1702.9	1871.4	9.9	1832.7	1734.9
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	71.4	83.2	16.5	174.2	184.6	6.0	-102.8	-101.4
of which EU	45.8	60.3	31.7	149.6	165.4	10.6	-103.8	-105.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Data are preliminary as of 9th November 2015