

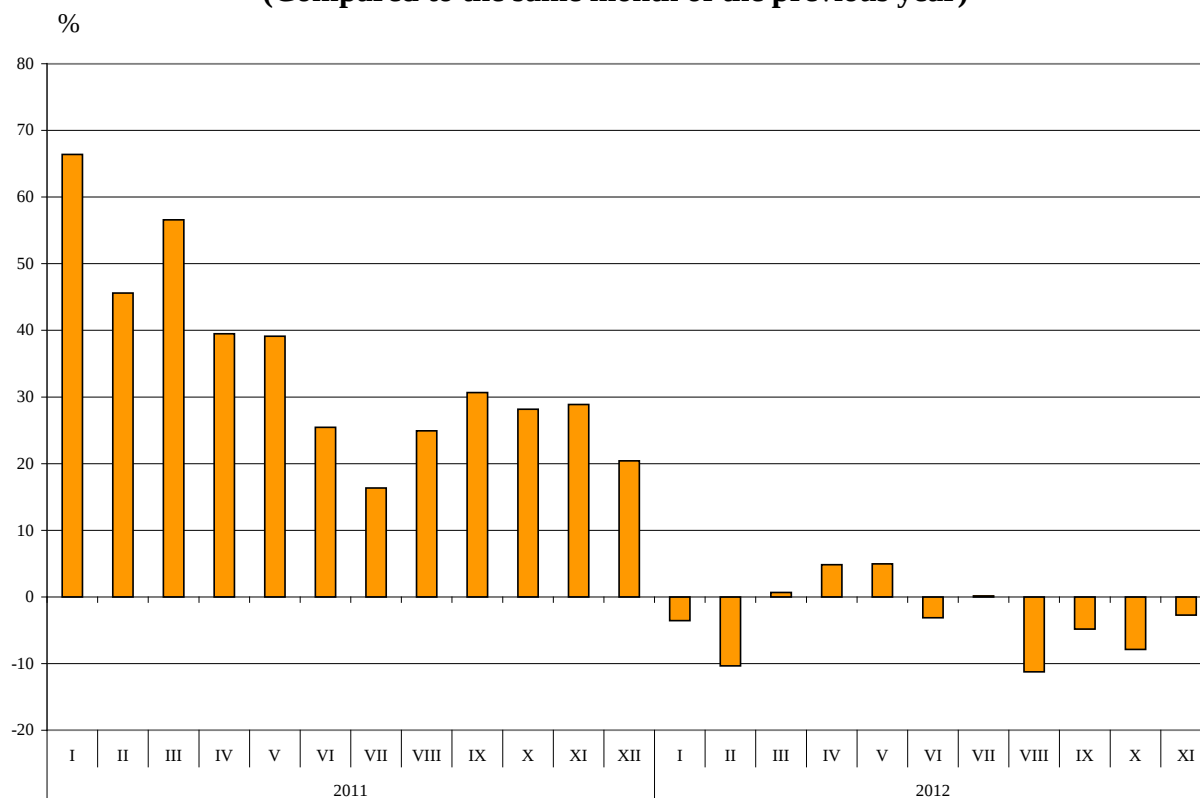


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2012 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - November 2012** the Bulgarian **exports to the EU** decreased by 3.1% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 22.1 Billion Levs (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Italy, Romania, Greece, France, Belgium and Spain which accounted for 75.5% of the exports to the EU Member States (Annex, Table 3).

In November 2012 the exports to the EU decreased by 2.7% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2.2 Billion Levs.

**Figure 1. Nominal value¹ change of exports to EU for the period 2011 – 2012
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



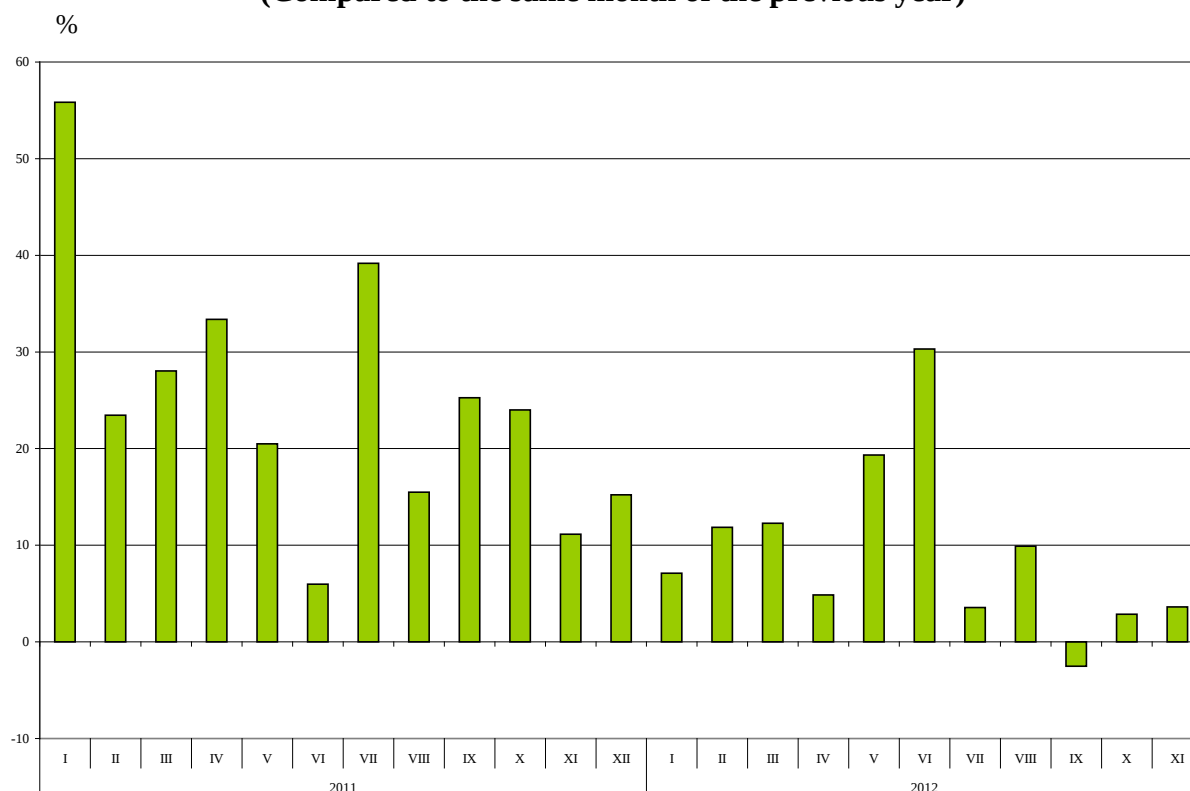
Bulgarian **imports from the EU** in the period January - November 2012 increased by 8.9% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and added up to 27.0 Billion Levs at CIF prices (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Germany, Italy, Romania, Greece and Spain (Annex, Table 3).

¹ Value changes at current prices.



In November 2012 the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States increased by 3.6% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and added up to 2.7 Billion Levs at CIF prices.

**Figure 2. Nominal value¹ change of imports from EU for the period 2011 – 2012
(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 – November 2012 was negative and added up to 4 913.4 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 3 854.5 Million Levs.

In the **first eleven months of 2012** compared to the corresponding period of the previous year the largest growth (24.2%) **in the exports** of Bulgaria **to EU** distributed according to the Standard International Trade Classification (Annex, Table 4) was recorded in the section “Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials” and the most notable fall (26.4%) - in section “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”².

In **imports from EU** the largest increase (48.4%) was reported in section “Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials” while a decrease (8.4%) was observed in section “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”.

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.

Annex

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria for the period January - November 2011 and 2012¹ by months

Table 1
(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.2011	3054.5	1789.0	1265.5	3353.1	1987.0	1366.1	3211.1	1907.9	1303.2	-298.6	-198.0	-100.6	-156.6	-118.9	-37.7
II.2011	2935.1	1840.9	1094.2	3168.3	1898.6	1269.7	3041.6	1827.9	1213.7	-233.2	-57.7	-175.5	-106.5	13.0	-119.5
III.2011	3320.2	2027.1	1293.1	3772.8	2284.2	1488.6	3613.6	2193.5	1420.1	-452.6	-257.1	-195.5	-293.4	-166.4	-127.0
I - III.2011	9309.8	5657.0	3652.8	10294.2	6169.8	4124.4	9866.3	5929.3	3937.0	-984.4	-512.8	-471.6	-556.5	-272.3	-284.2
IV.2011	3144.3	1850.8	1293.5	3815.2	2226.2	1589.0	3652.4	2137.7	1514.7	-670.9	-375.4	-295.5	-508.1	-286.9	-221.2
V.2011	3283.6	2041.0	1242.6	3817.6	2238.1	1579.5	3659.2	2153.0	1506.2	-534.0	-197.1	-336.9	-375.6	-112.0	-263.6
VI.2011	3256.6	2067.1	1189.5	3749.3	2035.1	1714.2	3591.2	1958.4	1632.8	-492.7	32.0	-524.7	-334.6	108.7	-443.3
IV- VI.2011	9684.5	5958.9	3725.6	11382.1	6499.4	4882.7	10902.8	6249.1	4653.7	-1697.6	-540.5	-1157.1	-1218.3	-290.2	-928.1
I - VI.2011	18994.3	11615.9	7378.4	21676.3	12669.2	9007.1	20769.1	12178.4	8590.7	-2682.0	-1053.3	-1628.7	-1774.8	-562.5	-1212.3
VII.2011	3618.8	2235.9	1382.9	4067.4	2551.8	1515.6	3893.6	2449.2	1444.4	-448.6	-315.9	-132.7	-274.8	-213.3	-61.5
VIII.2011	3435.1	2216.1	1219.0	3500.4	2023.3	1477.1	3357.6	1945.3	1412.3	-65.3	192.8	-258.1	77.5	270.8	-193.3
IX.2011	3485.3	2199.8	1285.5	4172.6	2404.3	1768.3	3988.7	2307.3	1681.4	-687.3	-204.5	-482.8	-503.4	-107.5	-395.9
VII - IX.2011	10539.2	6651.8	3887.4	11740.4	6979.4	4761.0	11239.9	6701.8	4538.1	-1201.2	-327.6	-873.6	-700.7	-50.0	-650.7
I - IX.2011	29533.5	18267.7	11265.8	33416.7	19648.6	13768.1	32009.0	18880.2	13128.8	-3883.2	-1380.9	-2502.3	-2475.5	-612.5	-1863.0
X.2011	3531.7	2277.9	1253.8	4162.9	2548.3	1614.6	3989.8	2449.4	1540.4	-631.2	-270.4	-360.8	-458.1	-171.5	-286.6
XI.2011	3464.0	2254.5	1209.5	4301.1	2607.5	1693.6	4116.4	2501.4	1615.0	-837.1	-353.0	-484.1	-652.4	-246.9	-405.5
X - XI.2011	6995.7	4532.4	2463.3	8464.0	5155.8	3308.2	8106.2	4950.8	3155.4	-1468.3	-623.4	-844.9	-1110.5	-418.4	-692.1
I - XI.2011	36529.2	22800.1	13729.1	41880.7	24804.4	17076.3	40115.2	23831.0	16284.2	-5351.5	-2004.3	-3347.2	-3586.0	-1030.9	-2555.1
I.2012	2813.9	1725.6	1088.3	3500.4	2128.1	1372.3	3355.5	2042.3	1313.2	-686.5	-402.5	-284.0	-541.6	-316.7	-224.9
II.2012	2863.1	1650.5	1212.6	3605.6	2123.5	1482.1	3456.8	2041.8	1415.0	-742.5	-473.0	-269.5	-593.7	-391.3	-202.4
III.2012	3363.2	2040.7	1322.5	4239.1	2564.8	1674.3	4065.2	2464.4	1600.8	-875.9	-524.1	-351.8	-702.0	-423.7	-278.3
I - III.2012	9040.2	5416.8	3623.4	11345.1	6816.4	4528.7	10877.5	6548.5	4329.0	-2304.9	-1399.6	-905.3	-1837.3	-1131.7	-705.6
IV.2012	3170.2	1940.1	1230.1	4279.6	2334.3	1945.3	4098.5	2245.3	1853.2	-1109.4	-394.2	-715.2	-928.3	-305.2	-623.1
V.2012	3653.2	2142.5	1510.7	4649.5	2670.9	1978.6	4452.8	2565.0	1887.8	-996.3	-528.4	-467.9	-799.6	-422.5	-377.1
VI.2012	3455.7	2002.3	1453.4	4389.8	2651.8	1738.0	4204.3	2543.3	1661.0	-934.1	-649.5	-284.6	-748.6	-541.0	-207.6
IV-VI.2012	10279.1	6084.9	4194.2	13318.9	7657.0	5661.9	12755.6	7353.6	5402.0	-3039.8	-1572.1	-1467.7	-2476.5	-1268.7	-1207.8
I - VI.2012	19319.3	11501.7	7817.6	24664.0	14473.4	10190.6	23633.1	13902.1	9731.0	-5344.7	-2971.7	-2373.0	-4313.8	-2400.4	-1913.4
VII.2012	3648.7	2239.3	1409.4	4330.0	2642.3	1687.7	4149.7	2536.3	1613.4	-681.3	-403.0	-278.3	-501.0	-297.0	-204.0
VIII.2012	3655.4	1966.8	1688.6	4099.8	2223.7	1876.1	3924.1	2139.1	1785.0	-444.4	-256.9	-187.5	-268.7	-172.3	-96.4
IX.2012	3551.4	2093.5	1457.9	4024.8	2343.9	1680.9	3852.4	2254.8	1597.6	-473.4	-250.4	-223.0	-301.0	-161.3	-139.7
VII - IX.2012	10855.5	6299.6	4555.9	12454.6	7209.9	5244.7	11926.2	6930.2	4996.0	-1599.1	-910.3	-688.8	-1070.7	-630.6	-440.1
I - IX.2012	30174.8	17801.3	12373.5	37118.6	21683.3	15435.3	35559.3	20832.3	14727.0	-6943.8	-3882.0	-3061.8	-5384.5	-3031.0	-2353.5
X.2012	3636.6	2098.5	1538.1	4531.6	2621.2	1910.4	4338.4	2519.6	1818.8	-895.0	-522.7	-372.3	-701.8	-421.1	-280.7
XI.2012	3849.6	2193.1	1656.5	4330.2	2701.8	1628.4	4148.7	2595.5	1553.2	-480.6	-508.7	28.1	-299.1	-402.4	103.3
X - XI.2012	7486.2	4291.6	3194.6	8861.8	5323.0	3538.8	8487.1	5115.1	3372.0	-1375.6	-1031.4	-344.2	-1000.9	-823.5	-177.4
I - XI.2012	37661.0	22092.9	15568.1	45980.4	27006.3	18974.1	44046.4	25947.4	18099.0	-8319.4	-4913.4	-3406.0	-6385.4	-3854.5	-2530.9

¹ Data are preliminary as of 08.02.2013

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.



Table 2

Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria for the period January - November 2012¹ 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	-7.9	-3.5	-14.0	4.4	7.1	0.5	4.5	7.0	0.8
II	-2.5	-10.3	10.8	13.8	11.8	16.7	13.7	11.7	16.6
III	1.3	0.7	2.3	12.4	12.3	12.5	12.5	12.4	12.7
I - III	-2.9	-4.2	-0.8	10.2	10.5	9.8	10.2	10.4	10.0
IV	0.8	4.8	-4.9	12.2	4.9	22.4	12.2	5.0	22.3
V	11.3	5.0	21.6	21.8	19.3	25.3	21.7	19.1	25.3
VI	6.1	-3.1	22.2	17.1	30.3	1.4	17.1	29.9	1.7
IV - VI	6.1	2.1	12.6	17.0	17.8	16.0	17.0	17.7	16.1
I - VI	1.7	-1.0	6.0	13.8	14.2	13.1	13.8	14.2	13.3
VII	0.8	0.2	1.9	6.5	3.5	11.4	6.6	3.6	11.7
VIII	6.4	-11.2	38.5	17.1	9.9	27.0	16.9	10.0	26.4
IX	1.9	-4.8	13.4	-3.5	-2.5	-4.9	-3.4	-2.3	-5.0
VII - IX	3.0	-5.3	17.2	6.1	3.3	10.2	6.1	3.4	10.1
I - IX	2.2	-2.6	9.8	11.1	10.4	12.1	11.1	10.3	12.2
X	3.0	-7.9	22.7	8.9	2.9	18.3	8.7	2.9	18.1
XI	11.1	-2.7	37.0	0.7	3.6	-3.8	0.8	3.8	-3.8
X - XI	7.0	-5.3	29.7	4.7	3.2	7.0	4.7	3.3	6.9
I - XI	3.1	-3.1	13.4	9.8	8.9	11.1	9.8	8.9	11.1

¹ Data are preliminary as of 08.02.2013.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by groups of countries and main trade partners¹ for the period January - November 2011 and 2012²

Countries and groups of countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2011	2012	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2011	2012	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2011	2012
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	36529.2	37661.0	3.1	41880.7	45980.4	9.8	-5351.5	-8319.4
EU	22800.1	22092.9	-3.1	24804.4	27006.3	8.9	-2004.3	-4913.4
Austria	713.2	701.5	-1.6	1374.6	1425.5	3.7	-661.4	-724.0
Belgium	1817.2	1321.5	-27.3	709.5	809.5	14.1	1107.7	512.0
Cyprus	107.7	145.7	35.3	132.2	148.9	12.6	-24.5	-3.2
Czech Republic	392.5	463.5	18.1	710.3	871.8	22.7	-317.8	-408.3
Denmark	251.8	172.7	-31.4	158.0	165.7	4.9	93.8	7.0
Estonia	21.8	20.2	-7.3	9.8	10.3	5.1	12.0	9.9
Finland	66.1	66.5	0.6	109.3	114.1	4.4	-43.2	-47.6
France	1530.3	1511.2	-1.2	1366.5	1322.0	-3.3	163.8	189.2
Germany	4321.5	3863.3	-10.6	4509.0	5087.7	12.8	-187.5	-1224.4
Greece	2529.0	2682.8	6.1	2360.7	2774.0	17.5	168.3	-91.2
Hungary	469.2	434.2	-7.5	1268.6	1385.3	9.2	-799.4	-951.1
Ireland	27.3	56.8	108.1	138.1	152.4	10.4	-110.8	-95.6
Italy	3190.4	3193.5	0.1	2965.4	3043.1	2.6	225.0	150.4
Latvia	40.6	48.4	19.2	23.9	31.2	30.5	16.7	17.2
Lithuania	46.8	63.1	34.8	75.8	84.6	11.6	-29.0	-21.5
Luxembourg	35.2	6.6	-81.3	26.1	36.3	39.1	9.1	-29.7
Malta	60.0	20.5	-65.8	24.6	89.4	263.4	35.4	-68.9
Netherlands	641.6	701.8	9.4	1019.1	1377.8	35.2	-377.5	-676.0
Poland	660.7	659.5	-0.2	787.5	988.0	25.5	-126.8	-328.5
Portugal	153.2	331.8	116.6	93.0	134.2	44.3	60.2	197.6
Romania	3431.0	3071.0	-10.5	2875.2	3015.3	4.9	555.8	55.7
Slovakia	203.7	226.4	11.1	503.8	600.7	19.2	-300.1	-374.3
Slovenia	169.6	349.6	106.1	310.5	288.6	-7.1	-140.9	61.0
Spain	993.4	1028.2	3.5	2310.0	2112.7	-8.5	-1316.6	-1084.5
Sweden	191.1	171.2	-10.4	260.0	243.9	-6.2	-68.9	-72.7
United Kingdom	673.6	730.0	8.4	651.3	659.7	1.3	22.3	70.3
Not specified	61.6	51.4	-16.6	31.6	33.6	6.3	30.0	17.8

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 08.02.2013.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by groups of countries and main trade partners¹ for the period January - November 2011² and 2012²

(Continued)

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Countries and groups of countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2011	2012	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2011	2012	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2011	2012
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Non EU countries	13729.1	15568.1	13.4	17076.3	18974.1	11.1	-3347.2	-3406.0
CIS	2194.2	2385.0	8.7	9676.0	11177.9	15.5	-7481.8	-8792.9
of which:								
Georgia	401.8	516.9	28.6	340.9	310.9	-8.8	60.9	206.0
Kazakhstan	39.2	55.7	42.1	127.1	68.1	-46.4	-87.9	-12.4
Russian Fed.	983.6	1040.7	5.8	7354.6	9473.1	28.8	-6371.0	-8432.4
Ukraine	522.0	446.3	-14.5	1703.8	1166.7	-31.5	-1181.8	-720.4
OECD ³	4325.9	5115.6	18.3	3121.4	3260.4	4.5	1204.5	1855.2
of which:								
Canada	141.9	202.5	42.7	59.2	66.1	11.7	82.7	136.4
Japan	42.0	44.9	6.9	125.8	116.4	-7.5	-83.8	-71.5
Korea, Rep. of	165.7	226.5	36.7	210.7	171.4	-18.7	-45.0	55.1
Turkey	3132.3	3558.1	13.6	1995.4	2146.0	7.5	1136.9	1412.1
USA	468.9	637.7	36.0	360.4	311.4	-13.6	108.5	326.3
EFTA	292.9	356.3	21.6	347.6	386.6	11.2	-54.7	-30.3
of which:								
Norway	57.7	58.9	2.1	18.6	14.7	-21.0	39.1	44.2
Switzerland	225.5	289.1	28.2	326.0	371.3	13.9	-100.5	-82.2

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 08.02.2013.

³ Excluding EU countries.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by groups of countries and main trade partners¹ for the period January - November 2011² and 2012²

(Continued and end)

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Countries and groups of countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2011	2012	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2011	2012	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2011	2012
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Countries not included in the upper groups								
Albania	92.0	88.9	-3.4	31.3	34.4	9.9	60.7	54.5
Bosnia and Herzegovina	74.9	63.9	-14.7	13.4	28.5	112.7	61.5	35.4
Brazil	54.5	66.3	21.7	177.2	220.2	24.3	-122.7	-153.9
China	484.1	1079.2	122.9	1186.3	1399.2	17.9	-702.2	-320.0
Croatia	157.5	146.4	-7.0	50.9	53.8	5.7	106.6	92.6
Egypt	319.3	242.7	-24.0	132.7	102.3	-22.9	186.6	140.4
FYR of Macedonia	835.8	714.4	-14.5	452.7	464.7	2.7	383.1	249.7
India	120.5	61.8	-48.7	111.6	137.5	23.2	8.9	-75.7
Indonesia	22.0	33.4	51.8	34.7	46.2	33.1	-12.7	-12.8
Iran	106.5	33.0	-69.0	5.1	8.2	60.8	101.4	24.8
Israel	98.3	158.5	61.2	337.3	108.4	-67.9	-239.0	50.1
Peru	3.9	4.9	25.6	115.8	161.0	39.0	-111.9	-156.1
Serbia	870.8	819.5	-5.9	456.2	454.8	-0.3	414.6	364.7
Singapore	74.1	92.8	25.2	27.0	26.3	-2.6	47.1	66.5
South Africa	129.4	179.2	38.5	35.9	62.1	73.0	93.5	117.1
Syria	55.9	37.1	-33.6	72.1	67.4	-6.5	-16.2	-30.3
Taiwan	39.8	46.2	16.1	104.9	118.4	12.9	-65.1	-72.2
United Arab Emirates	90.1	249.1	176.5	66.8	99.7	49.3	23.3	149.4
Viet Nam	20.5	33.7	64.4	32.3	59.0	82.7	-11.8	-25.3

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 08.02.2013.



Table 4

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by sections of SITC, rev.4
for the period January - November 2011 and 2012¹

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2011	2012	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2011	2012	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2011	2012
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	36529.2	37661.0	3.1	41880.7	45980.4	9.8	-5351.5	-8319.4
of which EU	22800.1	22092.9	-3.1	24804.4	27006.3	8.9	-2004.3	-4913.4
Food and live animals	3515.3	3829.9	8.9	3149.9	3203.5	1.7	365.4	626.4
of which EU	2699.9	2963.2	9.8	2573.6	2771.4	7.7	126.3	191.8
Beverages and tobacco	713.4	792.7	11.1	510.4	588.1	15.2	203.0	204.6
of which EU	300.6	276.0	-8.2	370.8	430.9	16.2	-70.2	-154.9
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	3656.0	3381.0	-7.5	4280.1	4162.3	-2.8	-624.1	-781.3
of which EU	2189.6	1611.7	-26.4	2794.8	2559.7	-8.4	-605.2	-948.0
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	4997.1	6190.6	23.9	9582.6	11339.0	18.3	-4585.5	-5148.4
of which EU	1140.1	1416.1	24.2	1141.3	1693.8	48.4	-1.2	-277.7
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	268.4	274.2	2.2	198.4	227.8	14.8	70.0	46.4
of which EU	205.2	208.1	1.4	158.1	164.5	4.0	47.1	43.6
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	2907.6	3141.5	8.0	4784.9	5322.6	11.2	-1877.3	-2181.1
of which EU	1345.3	1485.5	10.4	3724.7	4078.3	9.5	-2379.4	-2592.8
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	9143.0	8581.7	-6.1	7121.4	7217.2	1.3	2021.6	1364.5
of which EU	6092.6	5359.1	-12.0	4480.6	4595.1	2.6	1612.0	764.0
Machinery and transport equipment	6127.5	6263.1	2.2	9446.9	11025.9	16.7	-3319.4	-4762.8
of which EU	4497.2	4478.8	-0.4	7403.2	8506.8	14.9	-2906.0	-4028.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5153.6	5124.0	-0.6	2688.0	2785.3	3.6	2465.6	2338.7
of which EU	4312.3	4272.9	-0.9	2071.3	2112.0	2.0	2241.0	2160.9
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	47.3	82.3	74.0	118.1	108.7	-8.0	-70.8	-26.4
of which EU	17.3	21.5	24.3	86.0	93.8	9.1	-68.7	-72.3

¹ Data are preliminary as of 08.02.2013.