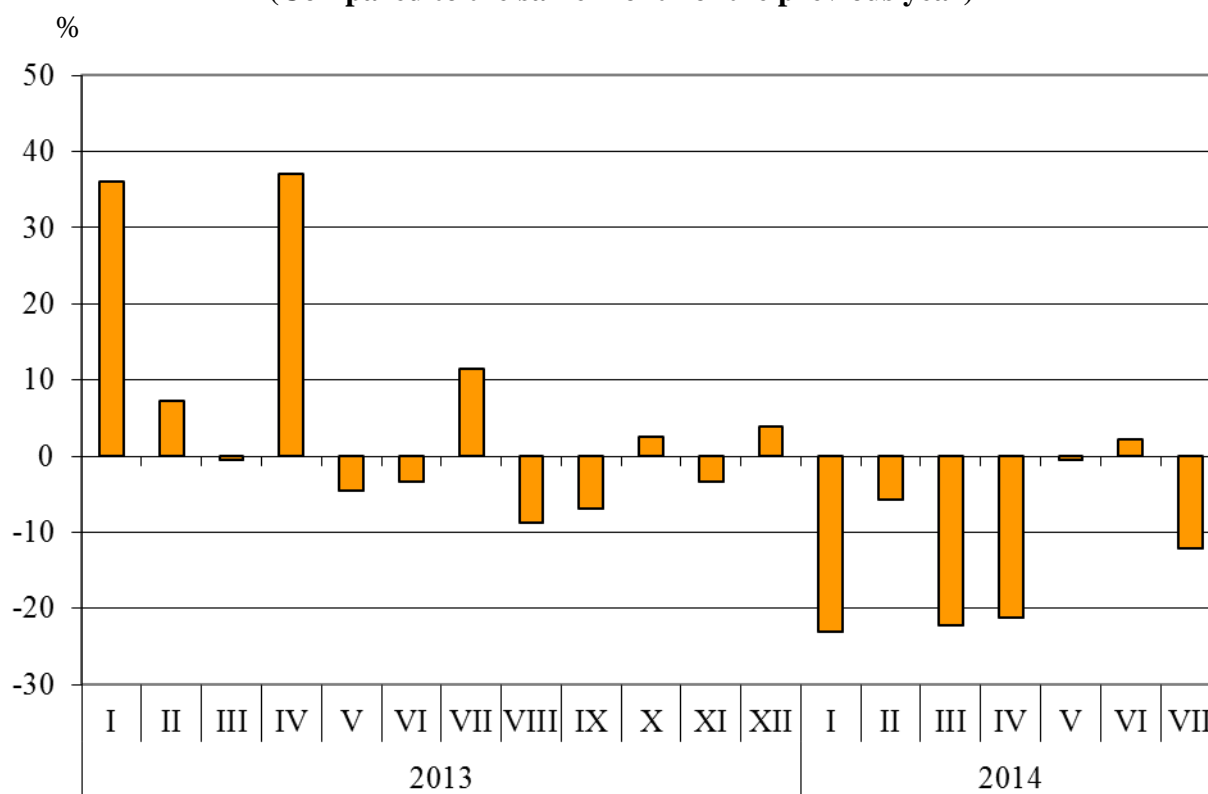


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - JULY 2014 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - July 2014** Bulgarian **exports to third countries** decreased by 12.0% compared to the corresponding period of 2013 and amounted to 8.9 Billion BGN (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, Singapore, Russian Federation, China, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia which accounted for 54.1% of the exports to non EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

In July 2014 exports to third countries decreased by 12.0% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.4 Billion BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value¹ change of exports of Bulgaria to non EU countries
in the period 2013 - 2014
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



Bulgarian imports from third countries in the first seven months of 2014 decreased by 6.4% compared to the corresponding period of 2013 and added up to 11.0 Billion BGN (at CIF prices) (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from the Russian Federation, Turkey, China and Ukraine (Annex, Table 3).

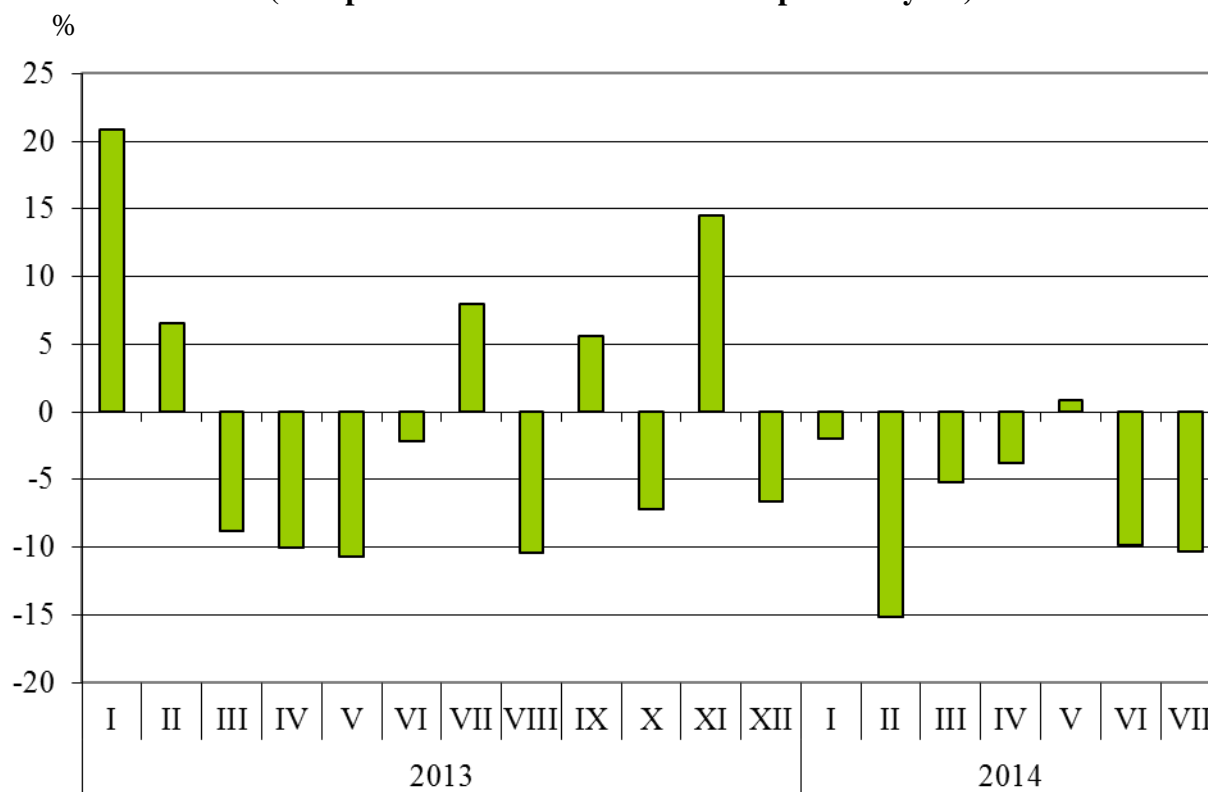
In July 2014 Bulgarian imports from third countries decreased by 10.4% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.6 Billion BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.



**Figure 2. Nominal value¹ change of imports of Bulgaria to non EU countries
in the period 2013 - 2014**

(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 - July 2014 was negative and added up to 2 102.3 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 1 591.9 Million BGN.

In July 2014 the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was negative and amounted to 263.5 Million BGN.

In the first seven months of 2014 compared to the corresponding period of 2013 in the exports of Bulgaria to third countries distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification** the largest growth was recorded in the section "Miscellaneous manufactured articles"² (15.8%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable falls were reported in sections "Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)"³ (39.3%) and "Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes" (28.6%).

In imports from third countries the largest growth was reported in section "Miscellaneous manufactured articles" (19.4%) while the most notable fall was observed in section "Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials" (18.2%).

¹ Value changes at current prices.

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 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.

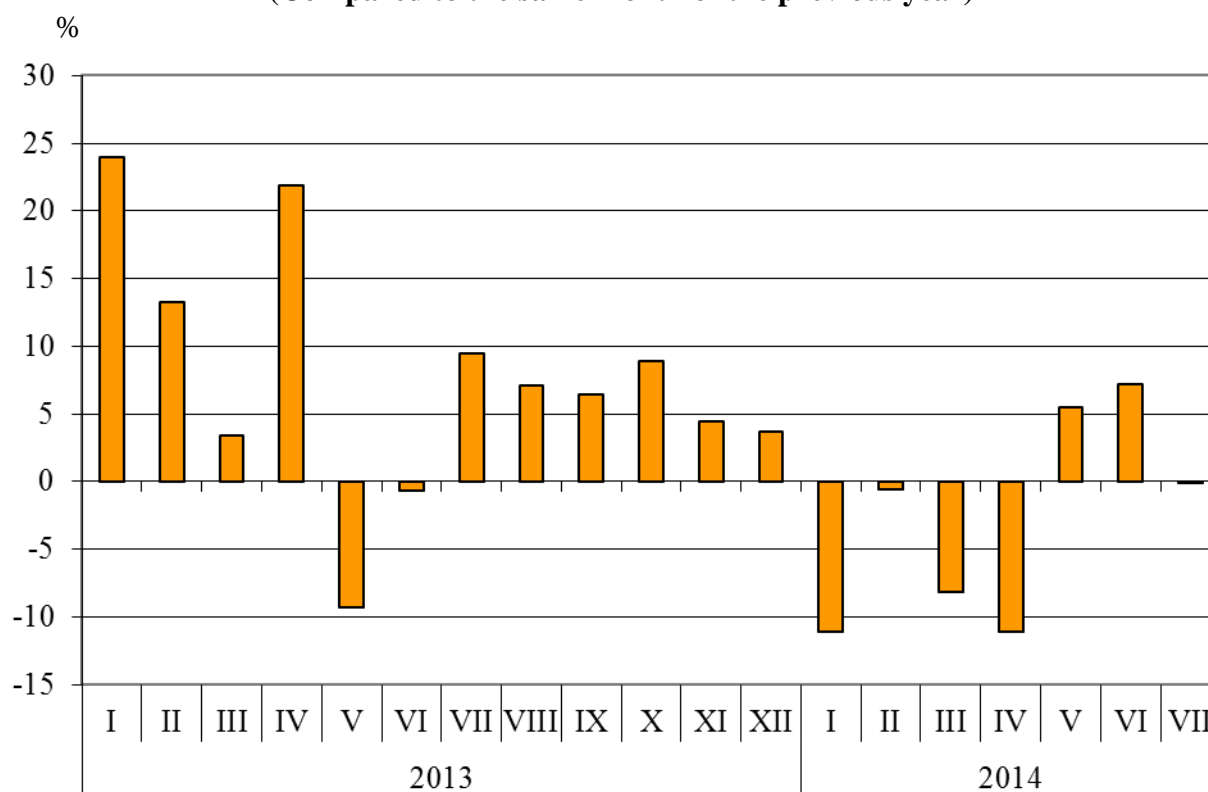


Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU – total

In the period **January - July 2014** the value of **all exported goods** from Bulgaria amounted to 24.1 Billion BGN and compared to the corresponding period of 2013 the exports decreased by 2.8% (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In **July** 2014 the total exports added up to 4.0 Billion BGN and decreased by 0.1% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

Figure 3. Nominal value¹ change of exports of Bulgaria in the period 2013 - 2014
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)



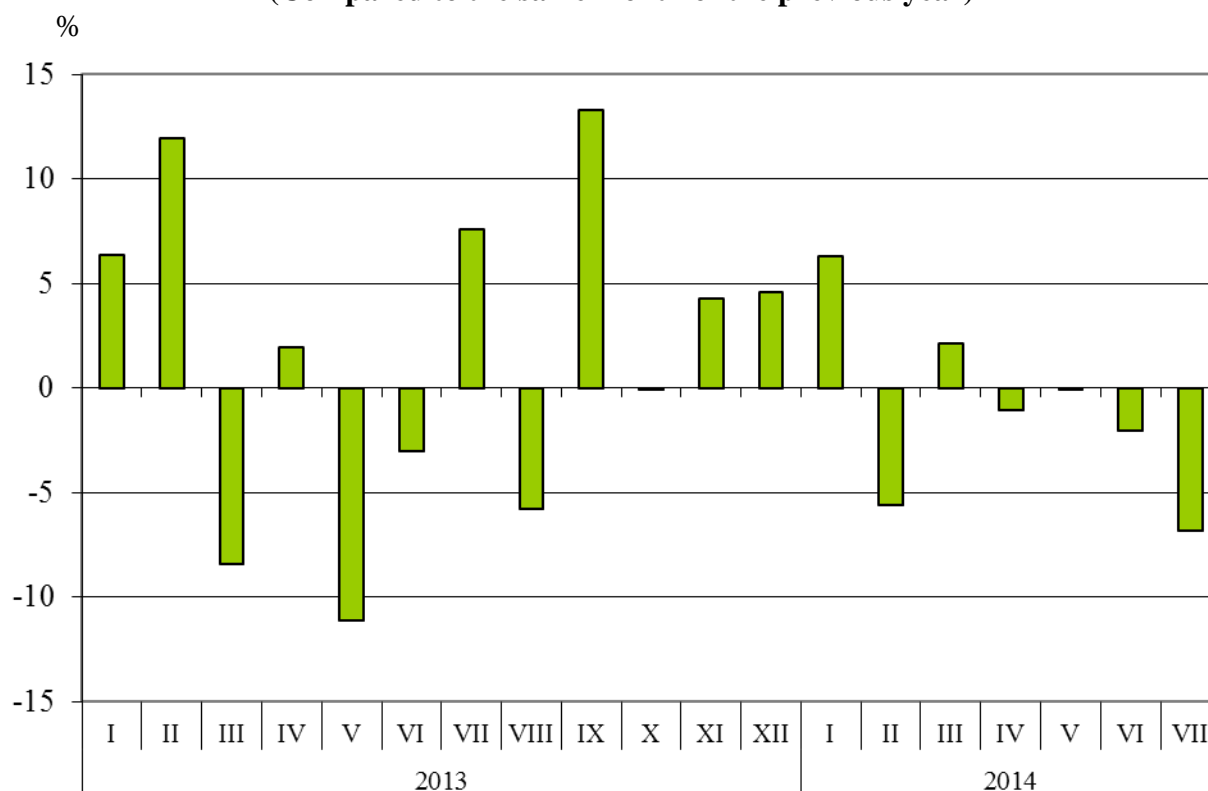
The total value of **all the goods imported** in the country in the period **January - July 2014** amounted to 28.7 Billion BGN (at CIF prices), or by 1.2 % less than corresponding period of 2013 (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In **July** 2014 the total imports decreased by 6.8% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and added up to 4.4 Billion BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.



**Figure 4. Nominal value¹ change of imports of Bulgaria in the period 2013 - 2014
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



The **total foreign trade balance** (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative in the period January - July 2014 and amounted to 4 538.2 Million BGN which was 333.7 Million BGN more than the balance in the first seven months of 2013 (Annex, Table 1 and 2). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) in the period January - July 2014 the total foreign trade balance was also negative and amounted to 3 294.3 Million BGN.

In **July** 2014 the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative and added up to 363.3 Million BGN. The trade balance at FOB/FOB prices was also negative and amounted to 149.0 Million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period January - July 2013 and 2014¹ 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.2013	3482.5	2018.0	1464.5	3724.5	2067.5	1657.0	3558.7	1985.8	1572.9	-242.0	-49.5	-192.5	-76.2	32.2	-108.4
II.2013	3243.0	1952.2	1290.8	4033.2	2458.5	1574.7	3852.1	2355.5	1496.6	-790.2	-506.3	-283.9	-609.1	-403.3	-205.8
III.2013	3476.6	2172.7	1303.9	3852.9	2333.5	1519.4	3693.4	2244.7	1448.7	-376.3	-160.8	-215.5	-216.8	-72.0	-144.8
I - III.2013	10202.1	6142.9	4059.2	11610.6	6859.5	4751.1	11104.2	6586.0	4518.2	-1408.5	-716.6	-691.9	-902.1	-443.1	-459.0
IV.2013	3866.5	2191.7	1674.8	4359.9	2624.7	1735.2	4177.8	2518.1	1659.7	-493.4	-433.0	-60.4	-311.3	-326.4	15.1
V.2013	3308.9	1879.3	1429.6	4131.5	2374.3	1757.2	3952.8	2281.3	1671.5	-822.6	-495.0	-327.6	-643.9	-402.0	-241.9
VI.2013	3437.8	2041.0	1396.8	4240.2	2549.1	1691.1	4056.5	2447.8	1608.7	-802.4	-508.1	-294.3	-618.7	-406.8	-211.9
IV - VI.2013	10613.2	6112.0	4501.2	12731.6	7548.1	5183.5	12187.1	7247.2	4939.9	-2118.4	-1436.1	-682.3	-1573.9	-1135.2	-438.7
I - VI.2013	20815.3	12254.9	8560.4	24342.2	14407.6	9934.6	23291.3	13833.2	9458.1	-3526.9	-2152.7	-1374.2	-2476.0	-1578.3	-897.7
VII.2013	3992.4	2438.0	1554.4	4670.0	2850.9	1819.1	4464.4	2735.4	1729.0	-677.6	-412.9	-264.7	-472.0	-297.4	-174.6
I - VII.2013	24807.7	14692.9	10114.8	29012.2	17258.5	11753.7	27755.7	16568.6	11187.1	-4204.5	-2565.6	-1638.9	-2948.0	-1875.7	-1072.3
I.2014	3095.3	1967.5	1127.8	3960.4	2335.7	1624.7	3788.0	2241.1	1546.9	-865.1	-368.2	-496.9	-692.7	-273.6	-419.1
II.2014	3225.0	2007.8	1217.2	3807.7	2471.4	1336.3	3647.4	2371.6	1275.8	-582.7	-463.6	-119.1	-422.4	-363.8	-58.6
III.2014	3193.0	2178.7	1014.3	3934.9	2494.5	1440.4	3778.7	2398.8	1379.9	-741.9	-315.8	-426.1	-585.7	-220.1	-365.6
I - III.2014	9513.3	6154.0	3359.3	11703.0	7301.6	4401.4	11214.1	7011.5	4202.6	-2189.7	-1147.6	-1042.1	-1700.8	-857.5	-843.3
IV.2014	3436.8	2116.1	1320.7	4312.9	2642.7	1670.2	4130.5	2536.9	1593.6	-876.1	-526.6	-349.5	-693.7	-420.8	-272.9
V.2014	3490.3	2067.4	1422.9	4129.5	2357.7	1771.8	3950.1	2264.0	1686.1	-639.2	-290.3	-348.9	-459.8	-196.6	-263.2
VI.2014	3684.2	2257.6	1426.6	4154.1	2629.2	1524.9	3975.2	2521.4	1453.8	-469.9	-371.6	-98.3	-291.0	-263.8	-27.2
IV - VI.2014	10611.3	6441.1	4170.2	12596.5	7629.6	4966.9	12055.8	7322.3	4733.5	-1985.2	-1188.5	-796.7	-1444.5	-881.2	-563.3
I - VI.2014	20124.6	12595.1	7529.5	24299.5	14931.2	9368.3	23269.9	14333.8	8936.1	-4174.9	-2336.1	-1838.8	-3145.3	-1738.7	-1406.6
VII.2014	3988.2	2621.0	1367.2	4351.5	2720.8	1630.7	4137.2	2584.7	1552.5	-363.3	-99.8	-263.5	-149.0	36.3	-185.3
I - VII.2014	24112.8	15216.1	8896.7	28651.0	17652.0	10999.0	27407.1	16918.5	10488.6	-4538.2	-2435.9	-2102.3	-3294.3	-1702.4	-1591.9

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12th of September 2014.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.

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

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



Table 2

Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria in the period January - July
2014¹ 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	-11.1	-2.5	-23.0	6.3	13.0	-1.9	6.4	12.9	-1.7
II	-0.6	2.8	-5.7	-5.6	0.5	-15.1	-5.3	0.7	-14.8
III	-8.2	0.3	-22.2	2.1	6.9	-5.2	2.3	6.9	-4.7
I - III	-6.8	0.2	-17.2	0.8	6.4	-7.4	1.0	6.5	-7.0
IV	-11.1	-3.4	-21.1	-1.1	0.7	-3.7	-1.1	0.7	-4.0
V	5.5	10.0	-0.5	0.0	-0.7	0.8	-0.1	-0.8	0.9
VI	7.2	10.6	2.1	-2.0	3.1	-9.8	-2.0	3.0	-9.6
IV - VI	0.0	5.4	-7.4	-1.1	1.1	-4.2	-1.1	1.0	-4.2
I - VI	-3.3	2.8	-12.0	-0.2	3.6	-5.7	-0.1	3.6	-5.5
VII	-0.1	7.5	-12.0	-6.8	-4.6	-10.4	-7.3	-5.5	-10.2
I - VII	-2.8	3.6	-12.0	-1.2	2.3	-6.4	-1.3	2.1	-6.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12th of September 2014.

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

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



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with main non EU partner countries¹ in the period January - July 2013 and 2014²

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2013	2014	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2013	2014	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2013	2014
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries ³ -total	10114.8	8896.7	-12.0	11753.7	10999.0	-6.4	-1638.9	-2102.3
of which:								
Albania	75.0	60.1	-19.9	18.7	18.1	-3.2	56.3	42.0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	45.3	44.9	-0.9	32.1	36.7	14.3	13.2	8.2
Brazil	13.7	16.3	19.0	48.5	59.6	22.9	-34.8	-43.3
Canada	113.5	36.4	-67.9	19.2	25.2	31.3	94.3	11.2
China	623.3	577.9	-7.3	870.1	963.1	10.7	-246.8	-385.2
Egypt	206.5	212.8	3.1	45.1	210.9	367.6	161.4	1.9
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	385.5	378.4	-1.8	310.9	294.2	-5.4	74.6	84.2
Georgia	201.5	218.3	8.3	284.6	196.0	-31.1	-83.1	22.3
Gibraltar	709.4	133.2	-81.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	709.4	133.2
India	32.1	48.6	51.4	129.4	116.0	-10.4	-97.3	-67.4
Indonesia	23.7	25.3	6.8	31.3	33.6	7.3	-7.6	-8.3
Iran, Islamic Republic of	13.3	65.7	394.0	2.1	3.7	76.2	11.2	62.0
Israel	110.4	161.2	46.0	59.1	85.2	44.2	51.3	76.0
Japan	32.1	30.3	-5.6	71.1	99.7	40.2	-39.0	-69.4
Kazakhstan	33.0	30.6	-7.3	46.3	46.7	0.9	-13.3	-16.1
Korea, Republic of	106.3	76.1	-28.4	100.3	94.1	-6.2	6.0	-18.0
Libya	152.9	111.7	-26.9	0.1	133.2	133100.0	152.8	-21.5
Morocco	97.5	104.8	7.5	27.5	37.9	37.8	70.0	66.9
Namibia	180.3	77.9	-56.8	0.4	0.0	x	179.9	77.9
Norway	39.1	34.7	-11.3	17.8	20.1	12.9	21.3	14.6
Peru	10.1	4.8	-52.5	9.0	21.8	142.2	1.1	-17.0
Russian Federation	620.1	579.4	-6.6	5514.0	4092.0	-25.8	-4893.9	-3512.6
Serbia	425.4	369.3	-13.2	276.1	348.5	26.2	149.3	20.8
Singapore	56.3	83.5	48.3	22.6	22.6	0.0	33.7	60.9
South Africa	272.0	38.1	-86.0	32.0	29.5	-7.8	240.0	8.6
Switzerland	175.6	143.7	-18.2	246.3	203.8	-17.3	-70.7	-60.1
Syrian Arab Republic	357.7	347.4	-2.9	201.3	335.7	66.8	156.4	11.7
Taiwan	29.8	21.9	-26.5	72.6	86.0	18.5	-42.8	-64.1
Turkey	2501.6	2260.7	-9.6	1621.4	1710.7	5.5	880.2	550.0
Ukraine	428.7	138.4	-67.7	609.0	708.2	16.3	-180.3	-569.8
United Arab Emirates	159.8	309.7	93.8	54.5	44.7	-18.0	105.3	265.0
United States	84.5	644.5	662.7	15.8	19.7	24.7	68.7	624.8
Viet-Nam	16.9	20.1	18.9	34.4	51.4	49.4	-17.5	-31.3

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 12th of September 2014.

³ Non EU excluding Croatia.

x - category not applicable.



Table 4

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with non EU countries by sections of SITC, rev.4 in the period January - July 2013 and 2014¹

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2013	2014	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2013	2014	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2013	2014
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries ² - total	10114.8	8896.7	-12.0	11753.7	10999.0	-6.4	-1638.9	-2102.3
Food and live animals	863.5	724.8	-16.1	371.5	340.9	-8.2	492.0	383.9
Beverages and tobacco	350.3	317.5	-9.4	110.5	126.0	14.0	239.8	191.5
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1112.8	675.3	-39.3	1055.1	1001.5	-5.1	57.7	-326.2
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	3036.6	2325.1	-23.4	5728.2	4683.4	-18.2	-2691.6	-2358.3
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	36.4	26.0	-28.6	25.9	24.4	-5.8	10.5	1.6
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	956.6	1019.0	6.5	833.1	858.4	3.0	123.5	160.6
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1884.1	1859.8	-1.3	1772.6	1781.9	0.5	111.5	77.9
Machinery and transport equipment	1291.0	1296.5	0.4	1379.7	1610.8	16.8	-88.7	-314.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	544.3	630.3	15.8	460.1	549.5	19.4	84.2	80.8
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	39.2	22.4	-42.9	17.0	22.2	30.6	22.2	0.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12th of September 2014.

² Non EU excluding Croatia.