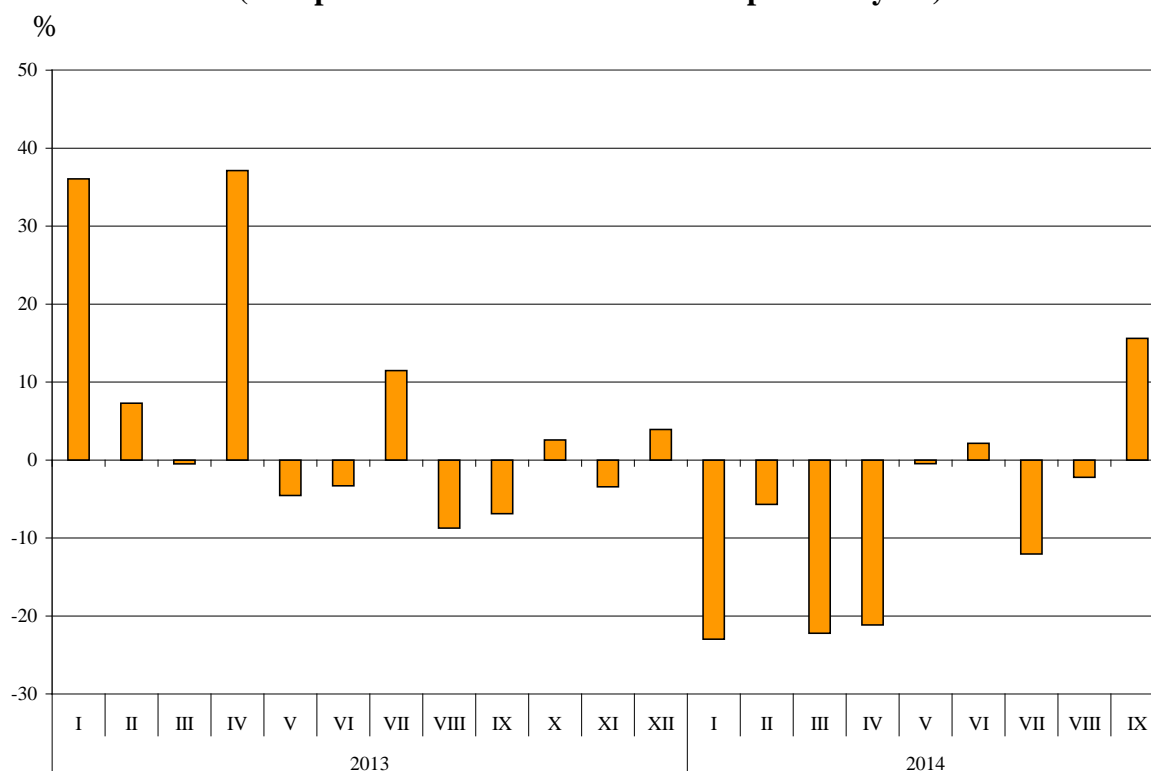


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2014 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - September 2014** Bulgarian **exports to third countries** decreased by 8.0% compared to the corresponding period of 2013 and amounted to 11.9 Billion BGN (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, Singapore, Russian Federation, China, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia which accounted for 53.2% of the exports to non EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

In September 2014 exports to third countries increased by 15.6% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.5 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 nine months of 2014 decreased by 2.9% compared to the corresponding period of 2013 and added up to 14.8 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).

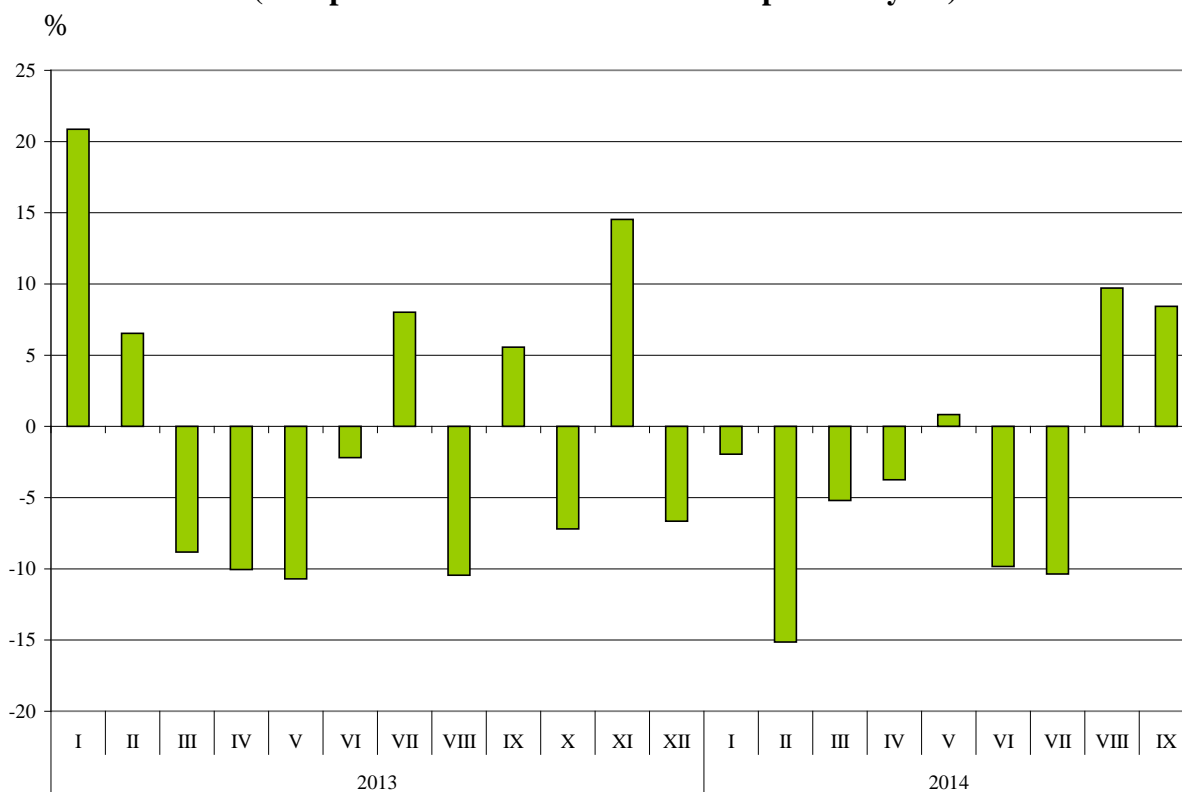
In September 2014 Bulgarian imports from **third countries** increased by 8.4% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.9 Billion BGN.

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 - September 2014 was negative and added up to 2 841.3 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 2 142.4 Million BGN.

In September 2014 the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was negative and amounted to 386.9 Million BGN.

In the first nine 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 (16.4%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable falls were reported in sections "Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)"³ (29.9%) and "Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials" (16.6%).

¹ Value changes at current prices.

² The section includes following divisions: Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lightning fixtures and fittings, Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings, Travel goods, handbags and similar containers, Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, Footwear, Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks, Miscellaneous manufactured articles, 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.



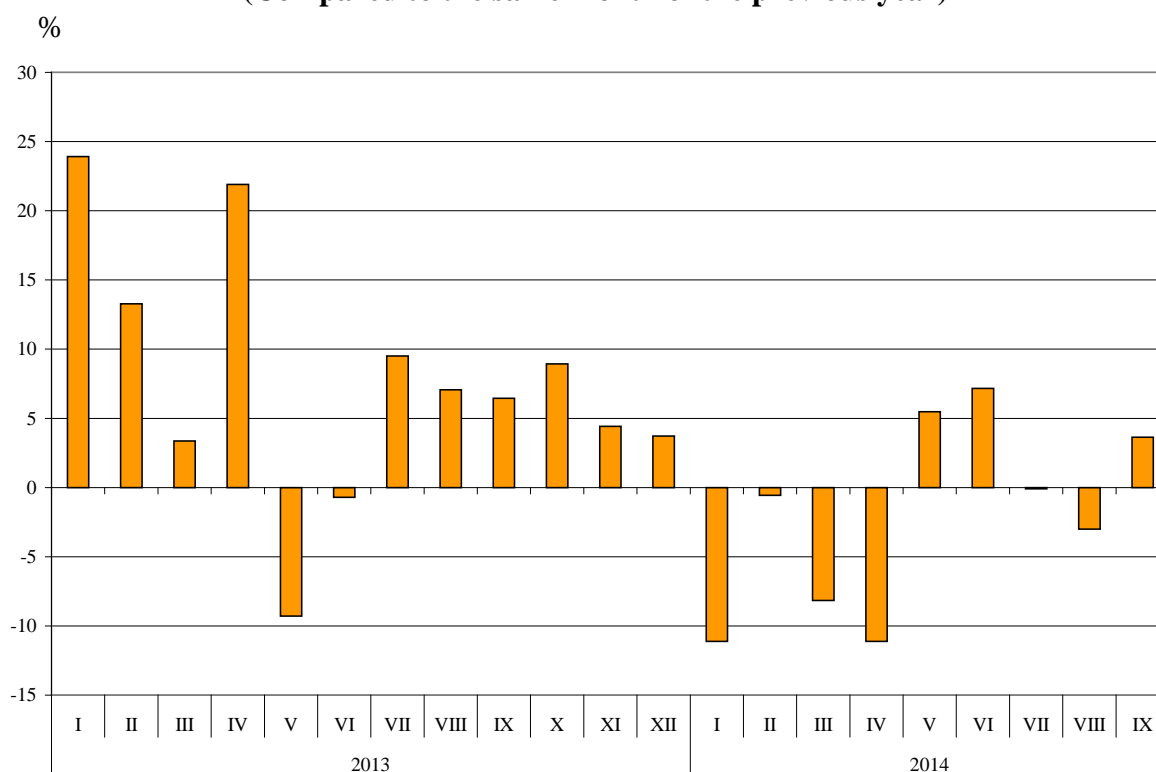
In imports from third countries the largest growth was reported in section “Beverages and tobacco” (21.8%) while the most notable fall was observed in section “Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials” (15.6%).

Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU - total

In the period January - September 2014 the value of **all exported goods** from Bulgaria amounted to 31.8 Billion BGN and compared to the corresponding period of 2013 the exports decreased by 2.1% (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In September 2014 the total exports added up to 3.9 Billion BGN and increased by 3.6% 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)**



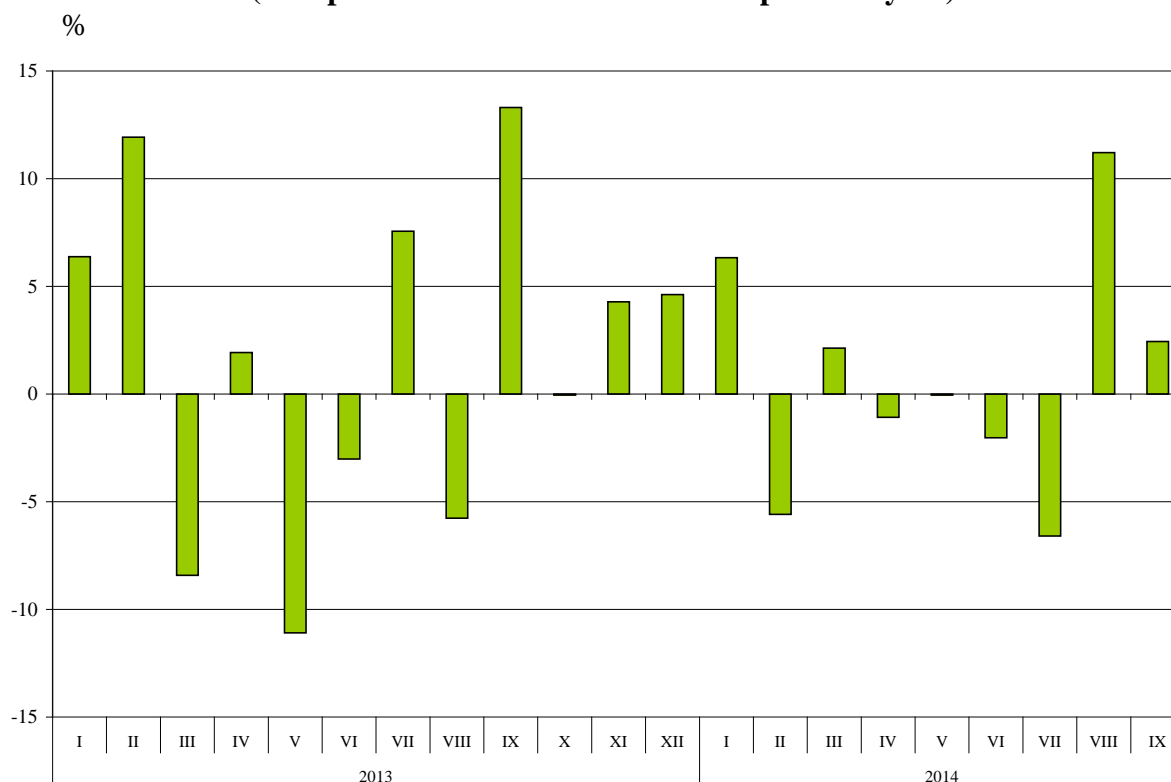
The total value of **all the goods imported** in the country **in the period January - September 2014** amounted to 37.7 Billion BGN (at CIF prices), or by 0.5 % more than corresponding period of 2013 (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In September 2014 the total imports increased by 2.4% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and added up to 4.7 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 - September 2014 and amounted to 5 827.0 Million BGN which was 870.1 Million BGN more than the balance in the first nine 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 - September 2014 the total foreign trade balance was also negative and amounted to 4 181.7 Million BGN.

In September 2014 the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative and added up to 765.2 Million BGN. The trade balance at FOB/FOB prices was also negative and amounted to 532.0 Million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period January - September 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
VIII.2013	3917.0	2384.8	1532.2	3878.3	2191.6	1686.7	3706.1	2104.4	1601.7	38.7	193.2	-154.5	210.9	280.4	-69.5
IX.2013	3779.0	2448.4	1330.6	4570.1	2794.8	1775.3	4364.9	2679.9	1685.0	-791.1	-346.4	-444.7	-585.9	-231.5	-354.4
VII - IX.2013	11688.4	7271.2	4417.2	13118.4	7837.3	5281.1	12535.4	7519.7	5015.7	-1430.0	-566.1	-863.9	-847.0	-248.5	-598.5
I - IX.2013	32503.7	19526.1	12977.6	37460.6	22244.9	15215.7	35826.7	21352.9	14473.8	-4956.9	-2718.8	-2238.1	-3323.0	-1826.8	-1496.2
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	3988.9	2621.7	1367.2	4362.0	2731.3	1630.7	4175.3	2622.8	1552.5	-373.1	-109.6	-263.5	-186.4	-1.1	-185.3
VIII.2014	3799.1	2300.7	1498.4	4312.9	2462.4	1850.5	4117.1	2359.8	1757.3	-513.8	-161.7	-352.1	-318.0	-59.1	-258.9
IX.2014	3916.5	2378.3	1538.2	4681.7	2756.6	1925.1	4448.5	2618.7	1829.8	-765.2	-378.3	-386.9	-532.0	-240.4	-291.6
VII - IX.2014	11704.5	7300.7	4403.8	13356.6	7950.3	5406.3	12740.9	7601.3	5139.6	-1652.1	-649.6	-1002.5	-1036.4	-300.6	-735.8
I - IX.2014	31829.1	19895.8	11933.3	37656.1	22881.5	14774.6	36010.8	21935.1	14075.7	-5827.0	-2985.7	-2841.3	-4181.7	-2039.3	-2142.4

¹ Data are preliminary as of 10-th of November 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 for the period January - September 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	-6.6	-4.2	-10.4	-6.5	-4.1	-10.2
VIII	-3.0	-3.5	-2.2	11.2	12.4	9.7	11.1	12.1	9.7
IX	3.6	-2.9	15.6	2.4	-1.4	8.4	1.9	-2.3	8.6
VII - IX	0.1	0.4	-0.3	1.8	1.4	2.4	1.6	1.1	2.5
I - IX	-2.1	1.9	-8.0	0.5	2.9	-2.9	0.5	2.7	-2.8

¹ Data are preliminary as of 10-th of November 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 - September 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	12977.6	11933.3	-8.0	15215.7	14774.6	-2.9	-2238.1	-2841.3
of which:								
Albania	95.1	80.1	-15.8	23.6	23.3	-1.3	71.5	56.8
Bosnia and Herzegovina	59.5	57.8	-2.9	41.5	53.1	28.0	18.0	4.7
Brazil	18.3	19.6	7.1	72.1	74.1	2.8	-53.8	-54.5
Canada	124.8	52.1	-58.3	23.6	32.6	38.1	101.2	19.5
China	869.0	748.3	-13.9	1111.1	1251.7	12.7	-242.1	-503.4
Egypt	262.2	291.4	11.1	78.3	220.5	181.6	183.9	70.9
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	503.9	505.4	0.3	394.0	388.3	-1.4	109.9	117.1
Georgia	272.6	283.0	3.8	333.9	337.0	0.9	-61.3	-54.0
Gibraltar	745.5	247.3	-66.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	745.5	247.3
India	43.0	65.3	51.9	171.4	158.4	-7.6	-128.4	-93.1
Indonesia	38.5	43.0	11.7	42.0	47.5	13.1	-3.5	-4.5
Iran, Islamic Republic of	19.4	88.7	357.2	2.3	16.8	630.4	17.1	71.9
Israel	139.7	172.6	23.6	71.5	104.0	45.5	68.2	68.6
Japan	42.1	41.6	-1.2	95.3	124.0	30.1	-53.2	-82.4
Kazakhstan	39.2	42.5	8.4	60.1	56.8	-5.5	-20.9	-14.3
Korea, Republic of	139.2	126.6	-9.1	131.8	124.3	-5.7	7.4	2.3
Libya	190.7	193.8	1.6	6.2	133.2	2048.4	184.5	60.6
Morocco	107.5	114.1	6.1	30.1	58.7	95.0	77.4	55.4
Namibia	202.8	97.0	-52.2	0.4	0.0	x	202.4	97.0
Norway	51.7	51.5	-0.4	23.0	26.4	14.8	28.7	25.1
Peru	11.2	5.4	-51.8	11.7	32.7	179.5	-0.5	-27.3
Russian Federation	838.6	751.1	-10.4	7109.3	5907.5	-16.9	-6270.7	-5156.4
Serbia	548.7	498.9	-9.1	364.9	452.1	23.9	183.8	46.8
Singapore	301.6	881.7	192.3	18.8	28.1	49.5	282.8	853.6
South Africa	279.4	62.2	-77.7	42.5	31.7	-25.4	236.9	30.5
Switzerland	224.5	184.3	-17.9	300.7	255.3	-15.1	-76.2	-71.0
Syrian Arab Republic	94.3	121.5	28.8	25.2	31.0	23.0	69.1	90.5
Taiwan	35.9	28.8	-19.8	96.1	130.2	35.5	-60.2	-101.4
Turkey	3066.0	2959.6	-3.5	2154.8	2162.2	0.3	911.2	797.4
Ukraine	611.5	216.0	-64.7	823.9	831.3	0.9	-212.4	-615.3
United Arab Emirates	243.9	385.3	58.0	64.9	61.1	-5.9	179.0	324.2
United States	436.2	435.1	-0.3	269.1	440.5	63.7	167.1	-5.4
Viet-Nam	23.1	24.7	6.9	45.2	67.4	49.1	-22.1	-42.7

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 10-th of November 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 - September 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	12977.6	11933.3	-8.0	15215.7	14774.6	-2.9	-2238.1	-2841.3
Food and live animals	1190.6	1056.0	-11.3	449.8	435.2	-3.2	740.8	620.8
Beverages and tobacco	457.6	407.7	-10.9	124.4	151.5	21.8	333.2	256.2
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1336.1	936.4	-29.9	1327.6	1239.1	-6.7	8.5	-302.7
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	3866.4	3225.7	-16.6	7475.6	6306.4	-15.6	-3609.2	-3080.7
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	50.4	55.4	9.9	32.4	31.5	-2.8	18.0	23.9
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	1237.7	1321.1	6.7	1125.6	1135.7	0.9	112.1	185.4
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2435.9	2427.6	-0.3	2262.6	2588.4	14.4	173.3	-160.8
Machinery and transport equipment	1658.0	1664.0	0.4	1790.0	2150.7	20.2	-132.0	-486.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	697.1	811.1	16.4	606.5	708.6	16.8	90.6	102.5
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	47.8	28.3	-40.8	21.2	27.5	29.7	26.6	0.8

¹ Data are preliminary as of 10-th of November 2014.

² Non EU excluding Croatia.