

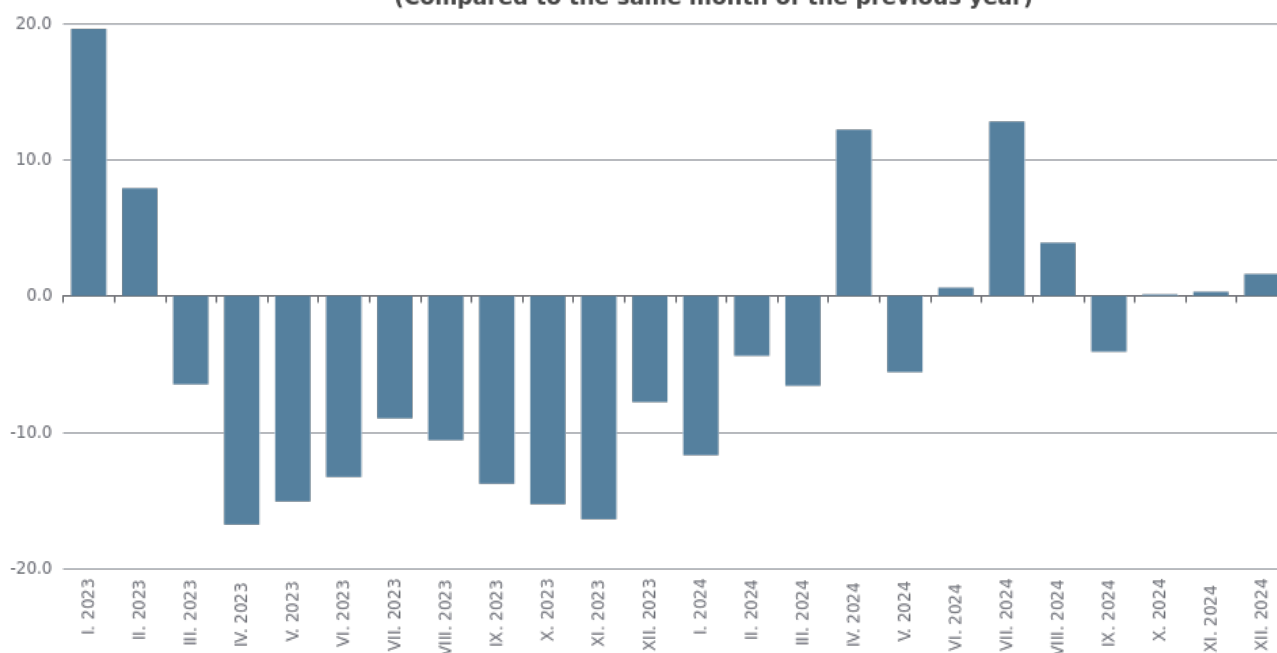


TURNOVER OF BULGARIA - 2024 - FINAL DATA

In 2024, the **goods exported from Bulgaria** amounted to 86 689.1 million BGN or 0.2% less than in 2023 (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). In comparing monthly data for 2024 with the data for the corresponding month of the previous year, the highest growth in exports was observed in July (12.8%), while the biggest fall was registered in January (11.7%).

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**Figure 1. Nominal value^[1] change of exports of goods from Bulgaria in the period 2023 - 2024
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



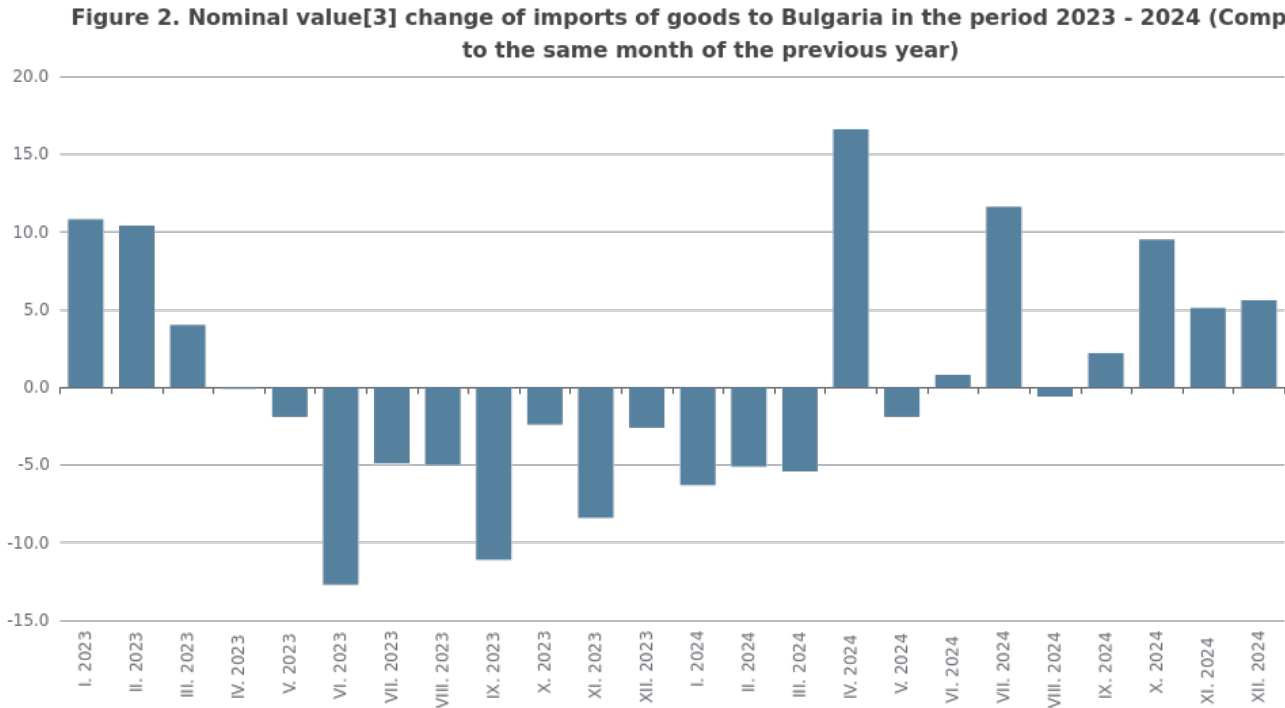
^[1] Value changes at current prices.

In the exports of goods from Bulgaria, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, in 2024 compared to 2023, the largest growth was reported in the section 'Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials' (24.4%). The biggest fall was observed in section 'Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes' (28.6%) (Annex, Table 4).

The imported goods in 2024 were for 99 553.6 million BGN (at CIF prices)^[2], which is 2.6% more than the previous year (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). Analyzing the monthly data on imports in 2024 and the corresponding ones in 2023, the biggest increase was observed in April (16.6%), while the biggest decrease was registered in January (6.3%).

^[2] Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB (http://bnb.bg/Statistics/StExternalSector/StForeignTrade/StFTImports/index.htm?toLang=_EN).

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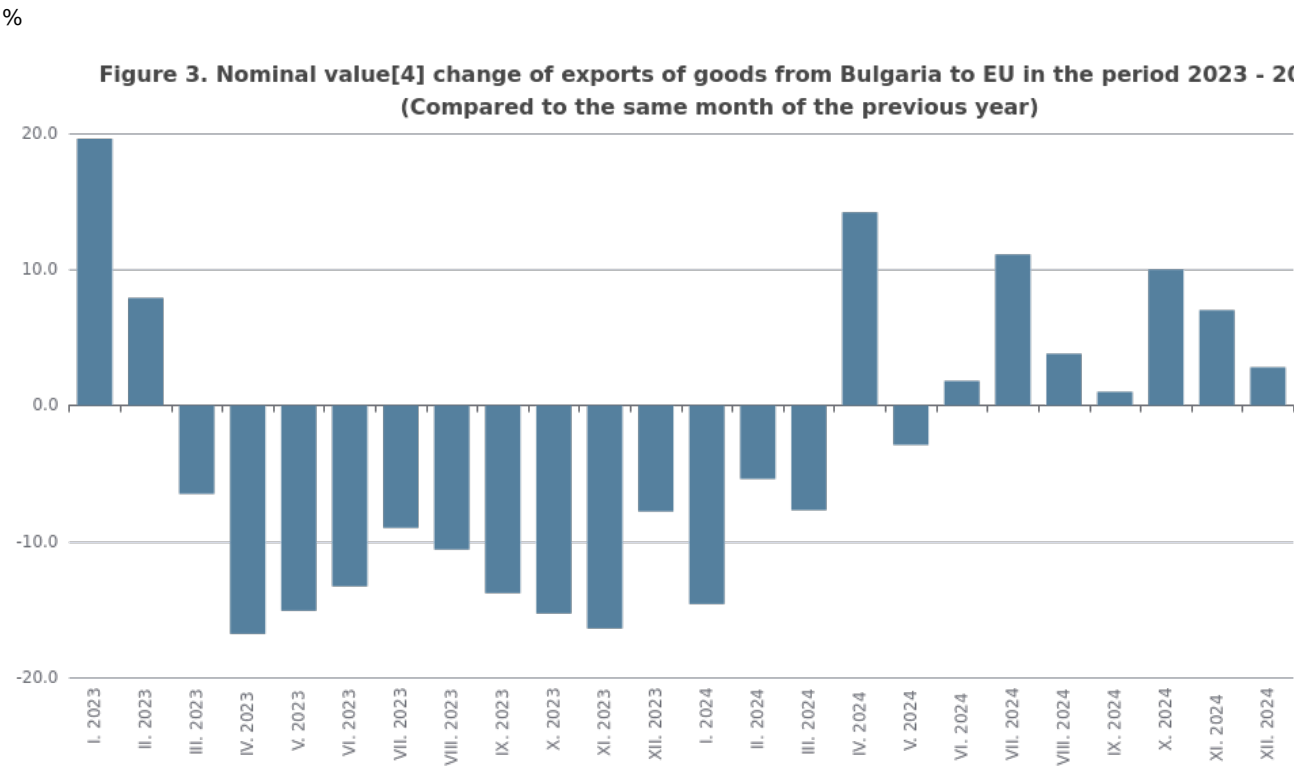
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In the imports of goods to Bulgaria, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, in 2024 compared to the previous year, the largest growth was registered in the section 'Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials' (29.3%). The biggest fall was observed in section 'Machinery and transport equipment' (7.3%) (Annex, Table 4).

Foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative in 2024 and amounted to 12 864.5 million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

Trade in goods of Bulgaria with the EU

In 2024, the **exports** of goods from Bulgaria **to the EU countries** increased by 1.5% compared to the previous year and amounted to 55 988.7 million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Romania, Italy, Greece, France and Poland, which accounted for 67.0% of the exports to the EU (Annex, Table 3).



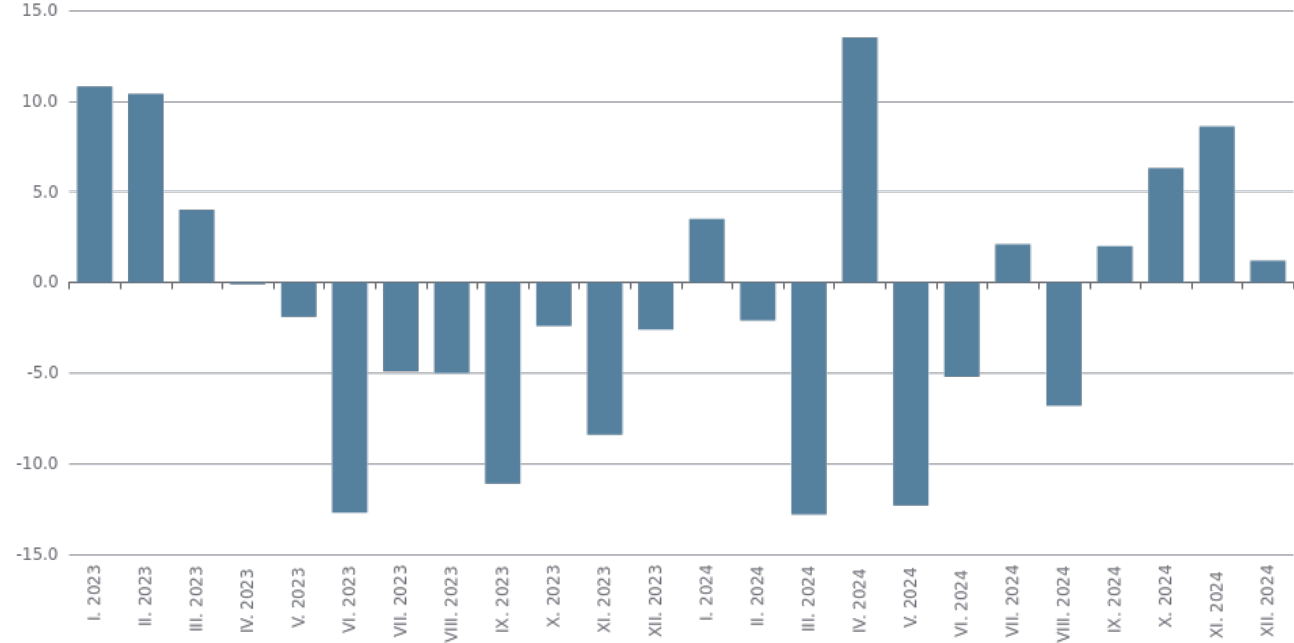
[4] Value changes at current prices.

In the exports of goods from Bulgaria to the EU, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, in 2024 compared to 2023, the largest growth was registered in section 'Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials' (128.1%). The biggest fall was observed in section 'Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes' (19.4%) (Annex, Table 4).

The **imports** of goods to Bulgaria **from the EU countries** in 2024 decreased by 0.3% compared to 2023 and amounted to 57 957.7 million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The most significant amounts were reported for the goods imported from Germany, Romania, Greece, Italy and Poland, which represent 59.4% from the imports from the EU.

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**Figure 4. Nominal value^[5] change of imports of goods to Bulgaria from EU in the period 2023 - 2024
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



^[5] Value changes at current prices.

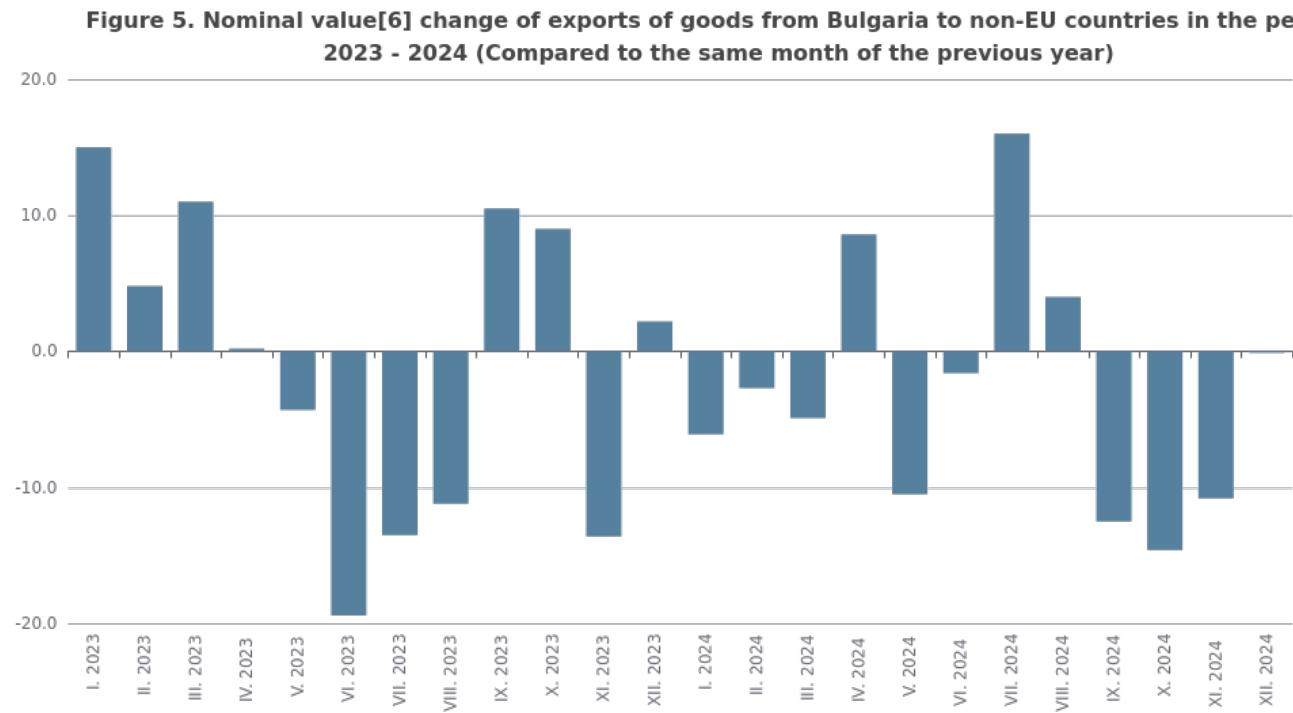
In the imports of goods from the EU, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, in 2024 compared to the previous year, the largest growth was registered in section ‘Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials’ (182.6%). The biggest fall was observed in section ‘Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material’ (13.0%) (Annex, Table 4).

Foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) of Bulgaria **with the EU countries** in 2024 was negative and amounted to 1 969.0 million BGN (Annex, Table 1).

Bulgarian trade in goods with third countries

In 2024, the **exports** of goods from Bulgaria **to third countries** decreased by 3.3% compared to the previous year and added up to 30 700.4 million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). Leading trade partners of Bulgaria were Türkiye, the United States, Serbia, the Republic of North Macedonia, China, the United Kingdom and Egypt, which accounted for 50.2% of the total exports to non-EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

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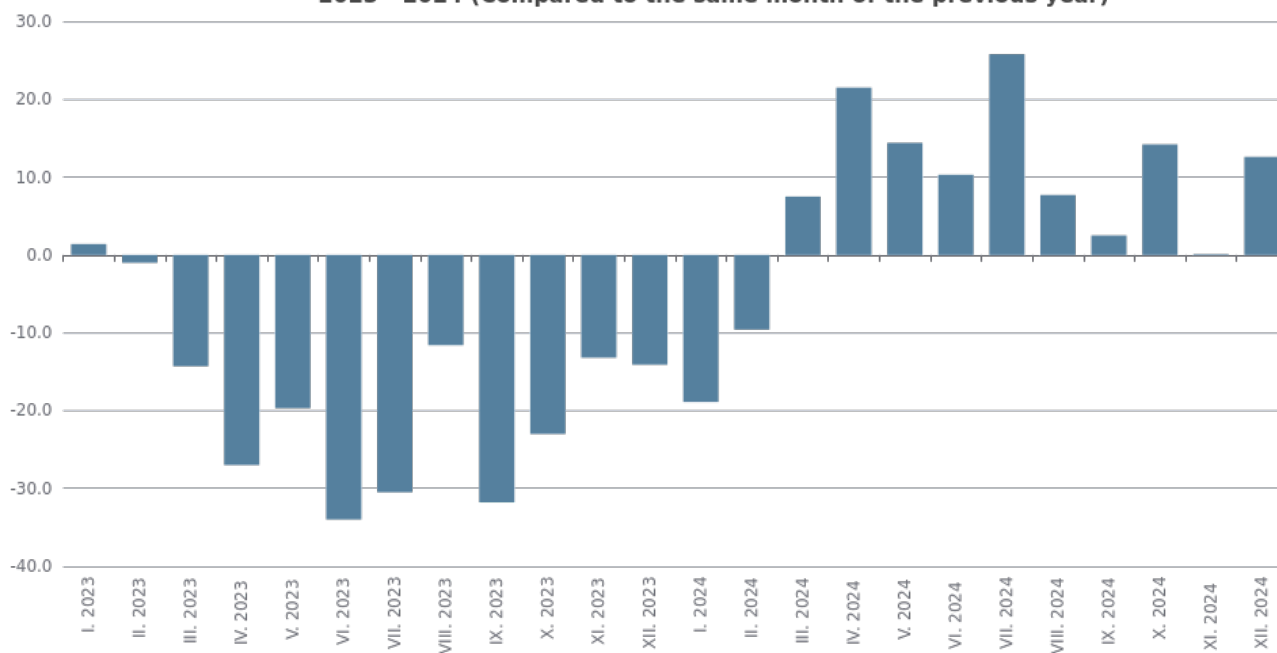


[6] Value changes at current prices.

The **imports** of goods to Bulgaria **from third countries** in 2024 increased by 6.8% compared to 2023 and amounted to 41 595.9 million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Türkiye, China, Ukraine, Kazakhstan and Serbia whose share amounted to 49.4% of the total imports from non-EU countries.

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Figure 6. Nominal value^[7] change of imports of goods to Bulgaria from non-EU countries in the period 2023 - 2024 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)



^[7] Value changes at current prices.

Foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) **with third countries** in 2024 was negative and amounted to 10 895.5 million BGN (Annex, Table 1).

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Table 1. Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in 2023 and 2024 by months - final data

									(Million BGN)
Months/Periods	Exports - FOB Total	Exports - FOB EU	Exports - FOB Non - EU	Imports - CIF[1] Total	Imports - CIF EU	Imports - CIF Non - EU	Trade balance - FOB/CIF Total	Trade balance - FOB/CIF EU	Trade balance - FOB/CIF Non - EU
I.2023	7 370.6	4 932.1	2 438.5	8 138.6	4 578.7	3 559.9	-768.0	353.4	-1 121.4
II.2023	7 126.4	4 609.7	2 516.7	8 115.4	4 846.0	3 269.4	-989.0	-236.3	-752.7
III.2023	7 970.4	5 072.6	2 897.8	8 646.9	5 487.6	3 159.3	-676.5	-415.0	-261.5
I - III.2023	22 467.4	14 614.4	7 853.0	24 900.9	14 912.3	9 988.6	-2 433.5	-297.9	-2 135.6
IV.2023	6 732.9	4 277.6	2 455.3	7 394.4	4 566.0	2 828.4	-661.5	-288.4	-373.1
V.2023	7 359.2	4 738.3	2 620.9	8 145.2	4 973.5	3 171.7	-786.0	-235.2	-550.8
VI.2023	7 314.1	4 729.1	2 585.0	7 929.2	4 851.3	3 077.9	-615.1	-122.2	-492.9
IV - VI.2023	21 406.2	13 745.0	7 661.2	23 468.8	14 390.8	9 078.0	-2 062.6	-645.8	-1 416.8
I - VI.2023	43 873.6	28 359.4	15 514.2	48 369.7	29 303.1	19 066.6	-4 496.1	-943.7	-3 552.4
VII.2023	7 317.5	4 792.5	2 525.0	7 888.6	4 754.4	3 134.2	-571.1	38.1	-609.2
VIII.2023	6 962.2	4 391.7	2 570.5	7 856.5	4 486.2	3 370.3	-894.3	-94.5	-799.8
IX.2023	7 329.5	4 578.3	2 751.2	7 926.2	4 605.7	3 320.5	-596.7	-27.4	-569.3
VII - IX.2023	21 609.2	13 762.5	7 846.7	23 671.3	13 846.3	9 825.0	-2 062.1	-83.8	-1 978.3
I - IX.2023	65 482.8	42 121.9	23 360.9	72 041.0	43 149.4	28 891.6	-6 558.2	-1 027.5	-5 530.7
X.2023	7 718.1	4 609.9	3 108.2	8 643.9	5 135.6	3 508.3	-925.8	-525.7	-400.1
XI.2023	7 239.8	4 524.2	2 715.6	8 600.9	5 080.3	3 520.6	-1 361.1	-556.1	-805.0
XII.2023	6 462.9	3 899.0	2 563.9	7 787.2	4 774.9	3 012.3	-1 324.3	-875.9	-448.4
X - XII.2023	21 420.8	13 033.1	8 387.7	25 032.0	14 990.8	10 041.2	-3 611.2	-1 957.7	-1 653.5
I - XII.2023	86 903.6	55 155.0	31 748.6	97 073.0	58 140.2	38 932.8	-10 169.4	-2 985.2	-7 184.2
I.2024	6 504.6	4 214.4	2 290.2	7 624.9	4 738.1	2 886.8	-1 120.3	-523.7	-596.6
II.2024	6 809.7	4 361.2	2 448.5	7 700.3	4 746.0	2 954.3	-890.6	-384.8	-505.8
III.2024	7 441.2	4 684.0	2 757.2	8 182.2	4 784.8	3 397.4	-741.0	-100.8	-640.2
I - III.2024	20 755.5	13 259.6	7 495.9	23 507.4	14 268.9	9 238.5	-2 751.9	-1 009.3	-1 742.6
IV.2024	7 551.4	4 886.1	2 665.3	8 621.4	5 184.0	3 437.4	-1 070.0	-297.9	-772.1
V.2024	6 947.0	4 600.6	2 346.4	7 991.2	4 363.0	3 628.2	-1 044.2	237.6	-1 281.8
VI.2024	7 359.3	4 814.5	2 544.8	7 993.4	4 597.6	3 395.8	-634.1	216.9	-851.0
IV - VI.2024	21 857.7	14 301.2	7 556.5	24 606.0	14 144.6	10 461.4	-2 748.3	156.6	-2 904.9
I - VI.2024	42 613.2	27 560.8	15 052.4	48 113.4	28 413.5	19 699.9	-5 500.2	-852.7	-4 647.5
VII.2024	8 255.3	5 326.8	2 928.5	8 800.0	4 856.0	3 944.0	-544.7	470.8	-1 015.5
VIII.2024	7 232.8	4 559.3	2 673.5	7 809.3	4 180.2	3 629.1	-576.5	379.1	-955.6
IX.2024	7 032.2	4 625.8	2 406.4	8 101.8	4 698.5	3 403.3	-1 069.6	-72.7	-996.9
VII - IX.2024	22 520.3	14 511.9	8 008.4	24 711.1	13 734.7	10 976.4	-2 190.8	777.2	-2 968.0
I - IX.2024	65 133.5	42 072.7	23 060.8	72 824.5	42 148.2	30 676.3	-7 691.0	-75.5	-7 615.5

									(Million BGN)
X.2024	7 724.0	5 069.1	2 654.9	9 464.5	5 458.6	4 005.9	-1 740.5	-389.5	-1 351.0
XI.2024	7 262.7	4 840.4	2 422.3	9 042.1	5 518.9	3 523.2	-1 779.4	-678.5	-1 100.9
XII.2024	6 568.9	4 006.5	2 562.4	8 222.5	4 832.0	3 390.5	-1 653.6	-825.5	-828.1
X - XII.2024	21 555.6	13 916.0	7 639.6	26 729.1	15 809.5	10 919.6	-5 173.5	-1 893.5	-3 280.0
I - XII.2024	86 689.1	55 988.7	30 700.4	99 553.6	57 957.7	41 595.9	-12 864.5	-1 969.0	-10 895.5

^[1] Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB (http://bnb.bg/Statistics/StExternalSector/StForeignTrade/StFTImports/index.htm?toLang=_EN).

Table 2. Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria in 2024 compared to the same period of the previous year

						(Per cent)
Months/Periods	Exports - FOB Total	Exports - FOB EU	Exports - FOB Non - EU	Imports - CIF Total	Imports - CIF EU	Imports - CIF Non - EU
I	-11.7	-14.6	-6.1	-6.3	3.5	-18.9
II	-4.4	-5.4	-2.7	-5.1	-2.1	-9.6
III	-6.6	-7.7	-4.9	-5.4	-12.8	7.5
I - III	-7.6	-9.3	-4.5	-5.6	-4.3	-7.5
IV	12.2	14.2	8.6	16.6	13.5	21.5
V	-5.6	-2.9	-10.5	-1.9	-12.3	14.4
VI	0.6	1.8	-1.6	0.8	-5.2	10.3
IV - VI	2.1	4.0	-1.4	4.8	-1.7	15.2
I - VI	-2.9	-2.8	-3.0	-0.5	-3.0	3.3
VII	12.8	11.1	16.0	11.6	2.1	25.8
VIII	3.9	3.8	4.0	-0.6	-6.8	7.7
IX	-4.1	1.0	-12.5	2.2	2.0	2.5
VII - IX	4.2	5.4	2.1	4.4	-0.8	11.7
I - IX	-0.5	-0.1	-1.3	1.1	-2.3	6.2
X	0.1	10.0	-14.6	9.5	6.3	14.2
XI	0.3	7.0	-10.8	5.1	8.6	0.1
XII	1.6	2.8	-0.1	5.6	1.2	12.6
X - XII	0.6	6.8	-8.9	6.8	5.5	8.7
I - XII	-0.2	1.5	-3.3	2.6	-0.3	6.8

Table 3. Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries[1] of Bulgaria in 2023 and 2024

Countries and territories	Exports - FOB 2023	Exports - FOB 2024	Exports - FOB change compared to the same period of the previous year	Imports - CIF 2023	Imports - CIF 2024	Imports - CIF change compared to the same period of the previous year	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2023	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2024
	Million BGN	Million BGN	%	Million BGN	Million BGN	%	Million BGN	Million BGN
Total	86 903.6	86 689.1	-0.2	97 073.0	99 553.6	2.6	-10 169.4	-12 864.5
EU	55 155.0	55 988.7	1.5	58 140.2	57 957.7	-0.3	-2 985.2	-1 969.0
Austria	1 787.4	1 328.8	-25.7	2 585.4	2 389.0	-7.6	-798.0	-1 060.2
Belgium	2 734.3	1 844.5	-32.5	2 159.9	1 935.9	-10.4	574.4	-91.4
Croatia	625.2	996.6	59.4	259.0	328.1	26.7	366.2	668.5
Cyprus	279.0	257.1	-7.8	118.4	188.6	59.3	160.6	68.5
Czechia	1 635.1	1 608.8	-1.6	2 738.6	2 400.4	-12.3	-1 103.5	-791.6
Denmark	396.2	385.2	-2.8	618.3	506.3	-18.1	-222.1	-121.1
Estonia	133.5	75.3	-43.6	189.3	391.1	106.6	-55.8	-315.8
Finland	191.0	169.2	-11.4	247.5	224.9	-9.1	-56.5	-55.7
France	2 837.9	2 833.5	-0.2	2 601.0	2 313.0	-11.1	236.9	520.5
Germany	11 834.2	12 933.5	9.3	11 991.6	11 316.6	-5.6	-157.4	1 616.9
Greece	4 784.7	5 153.4	7.7	4 245.0	5 754.6	35.6	539.7	-601.2
Hungary	1 100.8	1 151.8	4.6	3 377.4	3 333.3	-1.3	-2 276.6	-2 181.5
Ireland	259.4	251.9	-2.9	389.0	442.5	13.8	-129.6	-190.6
Italy	6 238.9	5 857.1	-6.1	6 490.7	5 618.3	-13.4	-251.8	238.8
Latvia	111.0	90.3	-18.6	86.2	86.5	0.3	24.8	3.8
Lithuania	236.0	207.3	-12.2	251.2	264.1	5.1	-15.2	-56.8
Luxembourg	29.7	29.3	-1.3	68.4	70.3	2.8	-38.7	-41.0
Malta	38.1	35.0	-8.1	27.4	19.8	-27.7	10.7	15.2
Netherlands	1 731.2	1 498.4	-13.4	3 966.3	3 649.2	-8.0	-2 235.1	-2 150.8
Poland	2 032.0	2 169.1	6.7	3 784.3	3 713.4	-1.9	-1 752.3	-1 544.3
Portugal	242.1	248.4	2.6	212.8	215.7	1.4	29.3	32.7
Romania	7 962.3	8 540.0	7.3	6 686.5	8 050.4	20.4	1 275.8	489.6
Slovakia	1 015.8	881.7	-13.2	1 166.5	1 206.8	3.5	-150.7	-325.1
Slovenia	469.9	493.8	5.1	882.4	906.3	2.7	-412.5	-412.5
Spain	2 266.6	1 633.5	-27.9	1 839.1	1 636.6	-11.0	427.5	-3.1
Sweden	788.3	705.3	-10.5	797.4	576.8	-27.7	-9.1	128.5
Not specified	3 394.4	4 609.9	35.8	360.6	419.2	16.3	3 033.8	4 190.7
Non - EU countries	31 748.6	30 700.4	-3.3	38 932.8	41 595.9	6.8	-7 184.2	-10 895.5
CIS[2]	1 923.7	1 876.9	-2.4	7 460.2	3 628.0	-51.4	-5 536.5	-1 751.1
of which:								

Countries and territories	Exports - FOB 2023	Exports - FOB 2024	Exports - FOB change compared to the same period of the previous year	Imports - CIF 2023	Imports - CIF 2024	Imports - CIF change compared to the same period of the previous year	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2023	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2024
Kazakhstan	174.7	186.5	6.8	16.2	1 994.2	12 209.9	158.5	-1 807.7
Russian Federation	979.7	726.7	-25.8	6 535.4	1 217.9	-81.4	-5 555.7	-491.2
OECD[3]	11 497.6	11 671.7	1.5	12 796.8	14 582.6	14.0	-1 299.2	-2 910.9
of which:								
Canada	320.1	325.2	1.6	314.9	347.5	10.4	5.2	-22.3
Chile	29.1	38.1	30.9	298.1	623.7	109.2	-269.0	-585.6
Israel	414.9	325.5	-21.5	245.2	136.2	-44.5	169.7	189.3
Japan	175.3	162.2	-7.5	384.0	326.9	-14.9	-208.7	-164.7
Korea, Republic of	455.1	319.7	-29.8	362.2	431.7	19.2	92.9	-112.0
Turkiye	5 071.3	5 837.8	15.1	7 957.3	8 952.1	12.5	-2 886.0	-3 114.3
United Kingdom[4]	1 629.4	1 296.1	-20.5	785.2	947.2	20.6	844.2	348.9
United States	2 230.4	2 093.6	-6.1	1 078.2	831.5	-22.9	1 152.2	1 262.1
EFTA[5]	801.0	885.6	10.6	1 096.8	1 809.0	64.9	-295.8	-923.4
of which:								
Norway	130.0	134.5	3.5	327.9	965.6	194.5	-197.9	-831.1
Switzerland	664.2	744.4	12.1	763.4	840.6	10.1	-99.2	-96.2
Countries not included								
in the upper groups								
Albania	260.8	511.2	96.0	93.7	97.7	4.3	167.1	413.5
Algeria	1 079.3	1 024.7	-5.1	131.7	80.3	-39.0	947.6	944.4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	186.5	169.4	-9.2	110.9	65.7	-40.8	75.6	103.7
Brazil	87.5	109.1	24.7	776.5	984.8	26.8	-689.0	-875.7
China	2 015.6	1 479.7	-26.6	5 257.7	5 389.1	2.5	-3 242.1	-3 909.4
Egypt	1 452.2	1 291.1	-11.1	727.3	1 794.9	146.8	724.9	-503.8
Georgia	566.4	766.9	35.4	584.0	389.0	-33.4	-17.6	377.9
India	430.3	317.2	-26.3	483.7	450.3	-6.9	-53.4	-133.1
Indonesia	538.4	173.4	-67.8	722.3	980.8	35.8	-183.9	-807.4
Iran, Islamic Republic of	243.6	263.1	8.0	110.2	119.4	8.3	133.4	143.7
Peru	52.4	27.1	-48.3	401.9	725.2	80.4	-349.5	-698.1
Republic of North Macedonia	1 727.6	1 570.6	-9.1	1 030.7	987.4	-4.2	696.9	583.2
Serbia	1 880.6	1 855.3	-1.3	2 286.0	1 984.2	-13.2	-405.4	-128.9

Countries and territories	Exports - FOB 2023	Exports - FOB 2024	Exports - FOB change compared to the same period of the previous year	Imports - CIF 2023	Imports - CIF 2024	Imports - CIF change compared to the same period of the previous year	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2023	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2024
Singapore	267.8	76.6	-71.4	71.5	41.3	-42.2	196.3	35.3
South Africa	271.1	236.8	-12.7	190.7	54.2	-71.6	80.4	182.6
Taiwan[6]	289.3	86.9	-70.0	308.1	255.6	-17.0	-18.8	-168.7
Tunisia	222.4	223.1	0.3	68.5	179.7	162.3	153.9	43.4
Ukraine	1 675.1	1 027.2	-38.7	1 979.3	2 212.8	11.8	-304.2	-1 185.6
United Arab Emirates	350.4	297.8	-15.0	101.3	168.8	66.6	249.1	129.0
Viet Nam	108.8	110.8	1.8	288.8	416.9	44.4	-180.0	-306.1

[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.

[2] CIS includes: Azerbaijan; Armenia; Belarus; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyzstan; Moldova, Republic of; Russian Federation; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.

[3] OECD includes: Australia; Virgin Islands (US); United States; Iceland; Canada; Chile; Colombia; Costa Rica; Mexico; New Zealand; Norway; Korea, Republic of; Türkiye; United Kingdom; Switzerland; Japan and Israel.

[4] The United Kingdom includes: Northern Ireland; Great Britain; Channel Islands and Isle of Man.

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

[6] Separate customs territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu.

Table 4. Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by sections of SITC, rev.4 in 2023 and 2024

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB 2023	Exports - FOB 2024	Exports - FOB change compared to the same period of the previous year	Imports - CIF 2023	Imports - CIF 2024	Imports - CIF change compared to the same period of the previous year	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2023	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2024
	Million BGN	Million BGN	%	Million BGN	Million BGN	%	Million BGN	Million BGN
Total	86 903.6	86 689.1	-0.2	97 073.0	99 553.6	2.6	-10 169.4	-12 864.5
of which EU	55 155.0	55 988.7	1.5	58 140.2	57 957.7	-0.3	-2 985.2	-1 969.0
Food and live animals	11 232.5	9 900.3	-11.9	8 370.1	8 926.4	6.6	2 862.4	973.9
of which EU	5 709.1	5 137.0	-10.0	6 301.3	6 615.3	5.0	-592.2	-1 478.3
Beverages and tobacco	751.0	748.5	-0.3	1 686.6	1 847.9	9.6	-935.6	-1 099.4
of which EU	431.9	421.0	-2.5	1 332.6	1 492.9	12.0	-900.7	-1 071.9
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	5 245.6	4 937.6	-5.9	7 436.7	8 781.4	18.1	-2 191.1	-3 843.8
of which EU	3 165.3	2 715.0	-14.2	2 145.3	2 251.7	5.0	1 020.0	463.3
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	6 746.9	8 392.1	24.4	10 787.4	13 948.5	29.3	-4 040.5	-5 556.4
of which EU	1 774.4	4 047.6	128.1	1 633.2	4 615.3	182.6	141.2	-567.7
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	1 687.3	1 205.0	-28.6	898.7	1 051.4	17.0	788.6	153.6
of which EU	779.2	628.0	-19.4	416.1	462.2	11.1	363.1	165.8
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	9 142.6	8 880.5	-2.9	13 206.8	12 487.8	-5.4	-4 064.2	-3 607.3
of which EU	5 550.5	4 875.5	-12.2	9 722.5	9 085.2	-6.6	-4 172.0	-4 209.7
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	17 560.9	18 807.5	7.1	15 417.8	14 435.5	-6.4	2 143.1	4 372.0
of which EU	12 795.3	13 545.8	5.9	8 256.4	7 183.5	-13.0	4 538.9	6 362.3
Machinery and transport equipment	20 506.9	19 701.4	-3.9	30 372.9	28 156.6	-7.3	-9 866.0	-8 455.2
of which EU	14 602.3	13 760.3	-5.8	22 235.1	20 126.1	-9.5	-7 632.8	-6 365.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	13 568.4	13 918.1	2.6	8 785.8	9 404.9	7.0	4 782.6	4 513.2
of which EU	10 292.5	10 831.2	5.2	6 009.6	5 722.1	-4.8	4 282.9	5 109.1

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB 2023	Exports - FOB 2024	Exports - FOB change compared to the same period of the previous year	Imports - CIF 2023	Imports - CIF 2024	Imports - CIF change compared to the same period of the previous year	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2023	Trade balance - FOB/CIF 2024
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	461.5	198.1	-57.1	110.2	513.2	365.7	351.3	-315.1
of which EU	54.5	27.3	-49.9	88.1	403.4	357.9	-33.6	-376.1

Methodological Notes

Legislative Framework

Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 on European business statistics (including intra-EU trade in goods).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1197 of 30 July 2020 laying down technical specifications and rules pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 of the European Parliament and of the Council on European business statistics.

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1704 of 14 July 2022 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 of the European Parliament and of the Council by further specifying the details of the statistical information to be provided by tax and customs authorities, and amending Annexes V and VI thereof (text relevant to the EEA).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1225 of 27 July 2022 laying down the rules for data exchange pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1197 regarding the member country of extra-EU export and the obligations of reporting units.

Law on Statistics of Intra-EU Trade in Goods effective from 1 July 2012, amended and supplemented, Issue 61 of 2 August 2023.

Scope and Basic Terminology

External trade in goods covers trade with third countries (Extrastat) and with EU member states (Intrastat), with detailed statistical information collected at the commodity code level (8 digits) of the Combined Nomenclature.

Imports include all goods entering the statistical territory* of the Republic of Bulgaria from other countries intended for domestic consumption, processing in the country for export after processing, as well as imports of goods processed outside the country.

Exports include all goods leaving the statistical territory of the Republic of Bulgaria intended for normal export to another country. This includes goods returned to the trading partner after processing in Bulgaria or goods exported for processing in another country with the intention of being returned to Bulgaria.

The **statistical territory of the European Union (EU)**, in the context of international trade in goods statistics, corresponds to the combined customs territories of the EU member states with one exception: unlike the customs territory, the statistical territory of Germany includes Helgoland.

Statistical volumes of imports and exports do not include imported goods placed under customs warehousing without processing, nor do exports include the re-export of these goods.

International trade statistics do not account for the transit of goods through the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria.

Main Sources of Information

Customs declaration - Single Administrative Document (SAD), which is filled out by all entities importing or exporting goods to/from third countries.

Intrastat declaration for intra-EU imports and exports to/from EU member states.

The **Customs Agency** is the institution responsible for collecting customs declarations (SAD), and the **National Revenue Agency** is responsible for Intrastat declarations.

Trade estimates are made to compensate for the impact of thresholds below which traders are exempt from submitting Intrastat declarations, as well as for those who have not responded.