

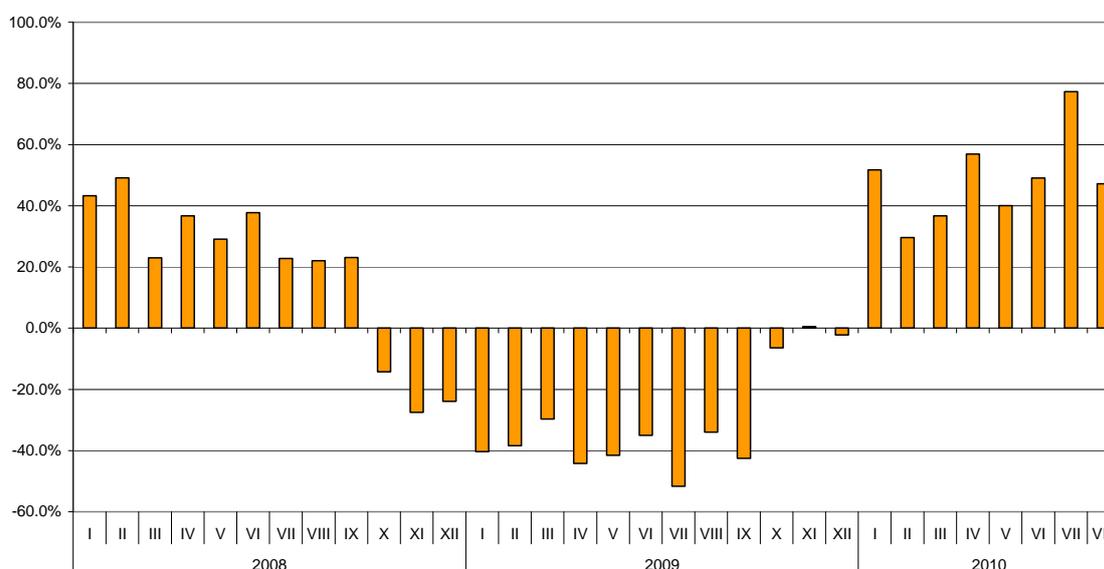


## BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - AUGUST 2010 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

During the period January - August 2010 the Bulgarian exports to third countries increased by 48.4% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 7.5 billion leva (Table 1.1 and 1.2). The main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, Serbia, Russia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Singapore, China, and the USA that formed over 54% of the total exports to non EU countries (Table 2). The exported goods to China increased by 254.8% and those to Serbia by 74.3%. The exports to Turkey and Russia reported growth by 64.9% and 53.9% respectively, to Singapore by 33.8% and to The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia by 28.6%. The exports to Peru, Republic of Korea, India and Iran increased notably. Fall was reported on the exports to United Arab Emirates, Indonesia, Kazakhstan and Egypt.

In August 2010 the exports to third countries increased by 47.2% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and were over 1 billion leva.

**Nominal growth of exports to non EU countries for the period 2008 - 2010  
(compared to the same month of the previous year)**

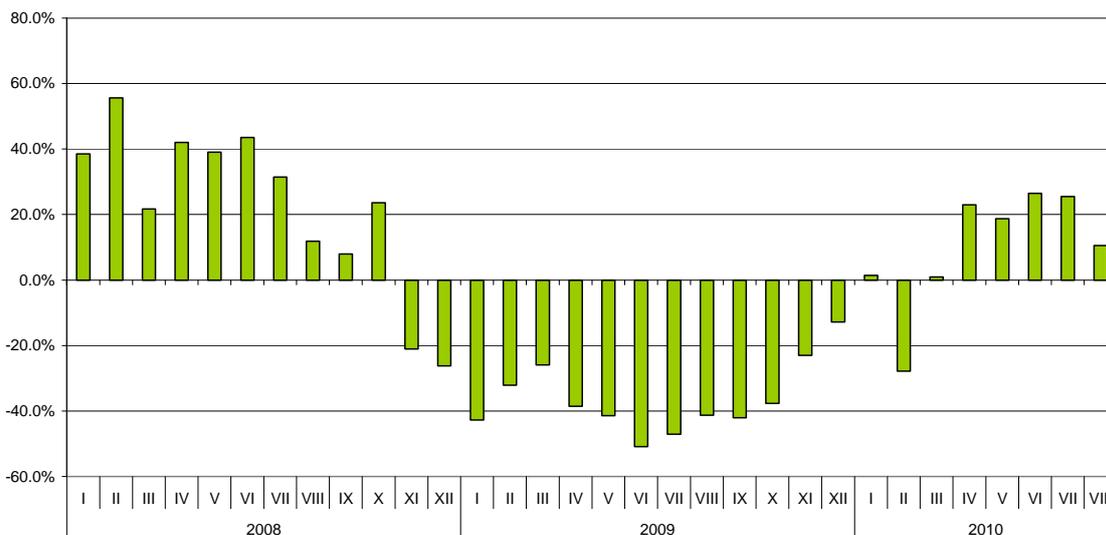




Bulgarian **imports from third** countries for the first eight months of 2010 increased by 10.2% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and **amounted to 9.7 billion levs** (Tables 1.1 and 1.2). The most notable growth was reported on the imports from Israel, Egypt, Albania and Peru (Table 2). The imports from Serbia increased by 50.5% and from Republic of Macedonia by 42.5%. The largest decrease was observed in the imports from South Africa and Norway.

**In August 2010 the Bulgarian imports from third countries increased by 10.6%** compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and **amounted to 1.2 billion levs**.

**Nominal growth of imports from non EU countries for the period 2008 - 2010**  
(compared to the same month of the previous year)



**The foreign trade balance** of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries for the period January - August 2010 was negative and amounted to 2.3 billion levs (Table 1.1). In August 2010 the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria was negative and amounted to 169.5 million levs.



The **exports** of Bulgaria to **third countries**, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, increased in the most of the sections in the first eight months of 2010 compared to the corresponding period of 2009 (Table 3). The largest growth was recorded in the sections “Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)”<sup>1</sup> and “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material”<sup>2</sup>. A fall was observed only in exports of one section - “Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”.

On **imports** from **third countries** the largest growth was reported in section “Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)”<sup>1</sup> and the most notable fall was in section “Food and live animals”.

### *Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU - total*

During the period January - August 2010 **the total value of exported goods** was for **19.2 billion levs** and compared to the corresponding period of 2009 the exports increased by 32.2% (Table 1.1 and 1.2).

In August 2010 **the exports amounted to 2.8 billion levs** and increased by 47.6% compared to the corresponding period of 2009.

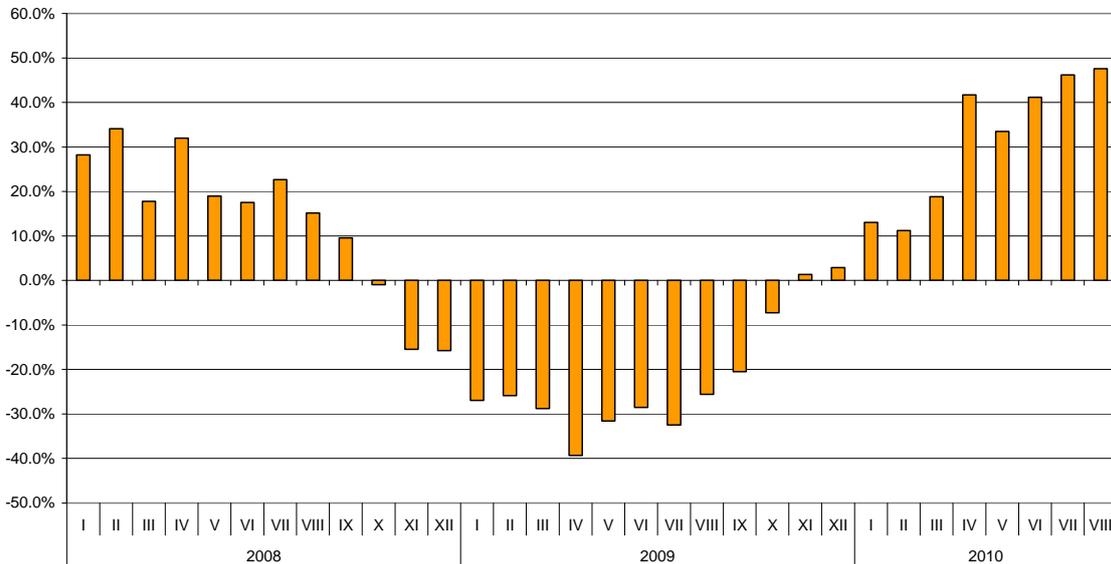
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<sup>1</sup> The section includes the following divisions: raw hides, skins and furskins; oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits; crude rubber; cork and wood; pulp and waste paper; textile fibres and their wastes; crude fertilizers and crude minerals; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.

<sup>2</sup> 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.



**Nominal growth of exports for the period 2008 - 2010  
(compared to the same month of the previous year)**



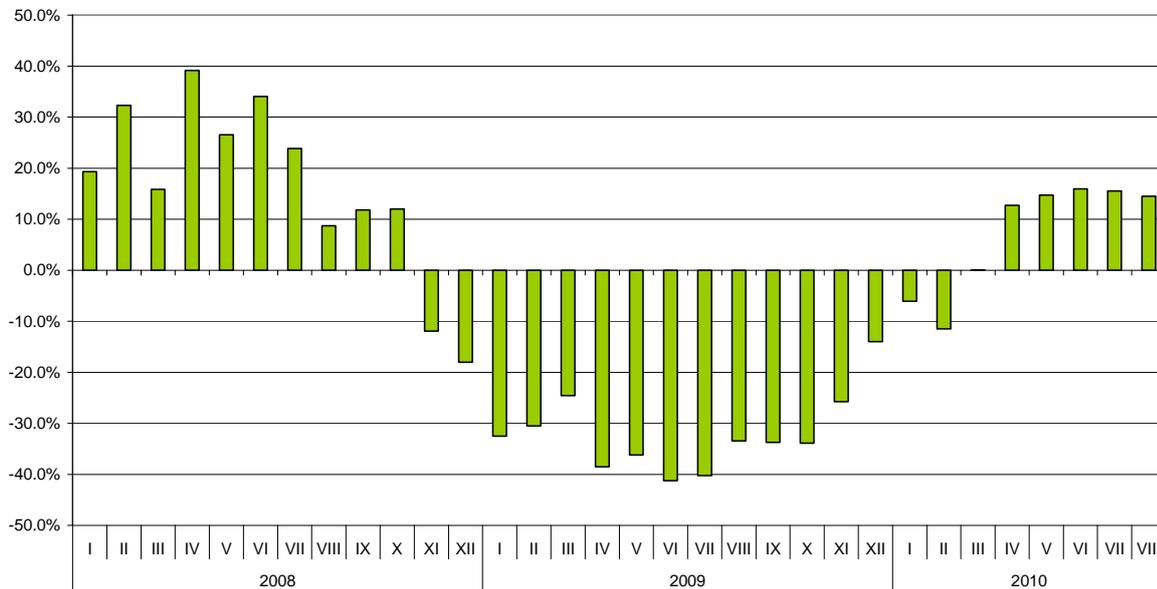
**The total imported goods** for the period January - August 2010 were **for 23.2 billion levs (at CIF prices) or by 7.3% more** than in the corresponding period of the previous year (Table 1.1 and 1.2).

In August 2010 the total imports increased by 14.5% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to almost 3 billion levs. For the first time the total imports at FOB prices were less than the total exports.

According to the preliminary aggregated data the imports from EU were less than the exports for second consecutive month.



**Nominal growth of imports for the period 2008 - 2010  
(compared to the same month of the previous year)**



**The total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative in the period January - August 2010 and amounted to 4 billion levs which was over 3 billion levs less than the balance for the first eight months of 2009 (Table 1.1 and 1.2). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the negative balance for the period January - August 2010 amounted to 2.6 billion levs.**

**In August 2010 the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative and amounted to 122.9 million levs while at FOB/FOB prices was positive and amounted to 51.4.**

## ANNEX

Table 1.1

### EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY- AUGUST 2009 AND 2010<sup>1</sup> BY MONTHS

(Million Levs)

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB <sup>2</sup>			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB <sup>2</sup>		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2009	1592.0	1113.0	479.0	2402.5	1423.7	978.8	2246.0	1348.8	897.2	-810.5	-310.7	-499.8	-654.0	-235.8	-418.2
II.2009	1761.9	1221.6	540.3	2591.2	1530.8	1060.4	2435.9	1450.3	985.6	-829.3	-309.2	-520.1	-674.0	-228.7	-445.3
III.2009	1844.9	1172.8	672.1	2942.5	1769.0	1173.5	2777.2	1678.6	1098.6	-1097.6	-596.2	-501.4	-932.3	-505.8	-426.5
I - III.2009	5198.8	3507.4	1691.4	7936.2	4723.5	3212.7	7459.1	4477.7	2981.4	-2737.4	-1216.1	-1521.3	-2260.3	-970.3	-1290.0
IV.2009	1628.8	1000.5	628.3	2709.2	1570.4	1138.8	2551.2	1490.9	1060.3	-1080.4	-569.9	-510.5	-922.4	-490.4	-432.0
V.2009	1771.5	1126.6	644.9	2797.8	1645.2	1152.6	2630.8	1560.4	1070.4	-1026.3	-518.6	-507.7	-859.3	-433.8	-425.5
VI.2009	1955.0	1205.9	749.1	2799.7	1735.3	1064.4	2632.6	1644.9	987.7	-844.7	-529.4	-315.3	-677.6	-439.0	-238.6
IV - VI.2009	5355.3	3333.0	2022.3	8306.7	4950.9	3355.8	7814.6	4696.2	3118.4	-2951.4	-1617.9	-1333.5	-2459.3	-1363.2	-1096.1
I - VI.2009	10554.1	6840.4	3713.7	16242.9	9674.4	6568.5	15273.7	9173.9	6099.8	-5688.8	-2834.0	-2854.8	-4719.6	-2333.5	-2386.1
VII.2009	2012.9	1425.3	587.6	2803.8	1664.1	1139.7	2640.0	1577.7	1062.3	-790.9	-238.8	-552.1	-627.1	-152.4	-474.7
VIII.2009	1920.4	1195.0	725.4	2582.8	1463.9	1118.9	2423.3	1388.6	1034.7	-662.4	-268.9	-393.5	-502.9	-193.6	-309.3
I - VIII.2009	14487.4	9460.7	5026.7	21629.5	12802.4	8827.1	20337.0	12140.2	8196.8	-7142.1	-3341.7	-3800.4	-5849.6	-2679.5	-3170.1
I.2010	1799.3	1072.5	726.8	2256.4	1264.0	992.4	2122.8	1198.5	924.3	-457.1	-191.5	-265.6	-323.5	-126.0	-197.5
II.2010	1959.5	1259.4	700.1	2293.5	1528.0	765.5	2151.3	1438.6	712.7	-334.0	-268.6	-65.4	-191.8	-179.2	-12.6
III.2010	2192.0	1273.0	919.0	2943.4	1758.8	1184.6	2774.0	1673.9	1100.1	-751.4	-485.8	-265.6	-582.0	-400.9	-181.1
I - III.2010	5950.8	3604.9	2345.9	7493.3	4550.8	2942.5	7048.1	4311.0	2737.1	-1542.5	-945.9	-596.6	-1097.3	-706.1	-391.2
IV.2010	2307.7	1322.1	985.6	3054.3	1654.3	1400.0	2876.2	1573.8	1302.4	-746.6	-332.2	-414.4	-568.5	-251.7	-316.8
V.2010	2364.8	1461.5	903.3	3209.6	1841.7	1367.9	3012.6	1744.9	1267.7	-844.8	-380.2	-464.6	-647.8	-283.4	-364.4
VI.2010	2759.0	1642.4	1116.6	3246.0	1899.9	1346.1	3048.2	1801.8	1246.4	-487.0	-257.5	-229.5	-289.2	-159.4	-129.8
IV - VI.2010	7431.5	4426.0	3005.5	9509.9	5395.9	4114.0	8937.0	5120.5	3816.5	-2078.4	-969.9	-1108.5	-1505.5	-694.5	-811.0
I - VI.2010	13382.3	8030.9	5351.4	17003.2	9946.7	7056.5	15985.1	9431.5	6553.6	-3620.9	-1915.8	-1705.1	-2602.8	-1400.6	-1202.2
VII.2010	2942.5	1900.7	1041.8	3239.3	1809.4	1429.9	3031.6	1713.8	1317.8	-296.8	91.3	-388.1	-89.1	186.9	-276.0
VIII.2010	2834.1	1766.6	1067.5	2957.0	1720.0	1237.0	2782.7	1634.0	1148.7	-122.9	46.6	-169.5	51.4	132.6	-81.2
I - VIII.2010	19158.9	11698.2	7460.7	23199.5	13476.1	9723.4	21799.4	12779.3	9020.1	-4040.6	-1777.9	-2262.7	-2640.5	-1081.1	-1559.4

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 8.10.2010.

<sup>2</sup> By recalculated data of BNB for the transport costs.



Table 1.2

**GROWTH OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - AUGUST 2010<sup>1</sup> COMPARED TO THE SAME MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR**

(Per cent)

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I	13.0	-3.6	51.7	-6.1	-11.2	1.4	-5.5	-11.1	3.0
II	11.2	3.1	29.6	-11.5	-0.2	-27.8	-11.7	-0.8	-27.7
III	18.8	8.5	36.7	0.0	-0.6	0.9	-0.1	-0.3	0.1
I - III	14.5	2.8	38.7	-5.6	-3.7	-8.4	-5.5	-3.7	-8.2
IV	41.7	32.1	56.9	12.7	5.3	22.9	12.7	5.6	22.8
V	33.5	29.7	40.1	14.7	11.9	18.7	14.5	11.8	18.4
VI	41.1	36.2	49.1	15.9	9.5	26.5	15.8	9.5	26.2
IV - VI	38.8	32.8	48.6	14.5	9.0	22.6	14.4	9.0	22.4
I - VI	26.8	17.4	44.1	4.7	2.8	7.4	4.7	2.8	7.4
VII	46.2	33.4	77.3	15.5	8.7	25.5	14.8	8.6	24.1
VIII	47.6	47.8	47.2	14.5	17.5	10.6	14.8	17.7	11.0
I - VIII	32.2	23.7	48.4	7.3	5.3	10.2	7.2	5.3	10.0



Table 2

**EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE WITH MAIN NON EU PARTNER COUNTRIES<sup>1</sup>**  
**FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - AUGUST 2009 AND 2010<sup>2</sup>**

(Million Levs)

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2009	2010	Growth - %	2009	2010	Growth - %	2009	2010
<b>Total – third countries</b>	<b>5026.7</b>	<b>7460.7</b>	<b>48.4</b>	<b>8827.1</b>	<b>9723.4</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>-3800.4</b>	<b>-2262.7</b>
Albania	75.0	78.6	4.8	4.8	13.5	181.3	70.2	65.1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	33.9	40.3	18.9	6.4	9.0	40.6	27.5	31.3
Brazil	16.6	34.8	109.6	193.1	99.0	-48.7	-176.5	-64.2
Canada	34.0	34.4	1.2	61.6	51.4	-16.6	-27.6	-17.0
China	71.9	255.1	254.8	618.5	608.4	-1.6	-546.6	-353.3
Croatia	95.3	127.2	33.5	50.7	35.8	-29.4	44.6	91.4
Egypt	146.5	140.6	-4.0	25.9	85.8	231.3	120.6	54.8
Georgia	110.5	161.7	46.3	296.2	216.5	-26.9	-185.7	-54.8
India	22.0	54.4	147.3	54.7	61.3	12.1	-32.7	-6.9
Indonesia	22.3	19.7	-11.7	23.0	20.4	-11.3	-0.7	-0.7
Iran	33.1	75.6	128.4	9.1	7.8	-14.3	24.0	67.8
Israel	55.8	55.6	-0.4	37.3	141.8	280.2	18.5	-86.2
Japan	20.4	22.5	10.3	95.5	82.1	-14.0	-75.1	-59.6
Kazakhstan	23.0	20.8	-9.6	5.1	4.5	-11.8	17.9	16.3
Republic of Korea	24.8	105.7	326.2	67.4	67.1	-0.4	-42.6	38.6
Norway	27.9	28.9	3.6	33.8	8.5	-74.9	-5.9	20.4
Peru	0.8	7.6	850.0	178.1	300.0	68.4	-177.3	-292.4
Russian Federation	344.5	530.1	53.9	2998.9	3676.7	22.6	-2654.4	-3146.6
Serbia	389.1	678.1	74.3	168.8	254.1	50.5	220.3	424.0
Singapore	264.2	353.5	33.8	13.0	8.2	-36.9	251.2	345.3
South Africa	5.4	8.7	61.1	66.2	12.5	-81.1	-60.8	-3.8
Switzerland	108.3	121.6	12.3	195.0	210.6	8.0	-86.7	-89.0
Syria	72.4	109.2	50.8	46.2	41.7	-9.7	26.2	67.5
Taiwan	13.2	24.8	87.9	56.5	77.6	37.3	-43.3	-52.8
The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	293.7	377.7	28.6	220.6	314.3	42.5	73.1	63.4
Turkey	987.1	1627.4	64.9	1190.7	1308.0	9.9	-203.6	319.4
Ukraine	124.9	158.4	26.8	1122.3	982.1	-12.5	-997.4	-823.7
United Arab Emirates	78.2	49.0	-37.3	15.6	19.2	23.1	62.6	29.8
USA	245.8	242.3	-1.4	207.0	172.9	-16.5	38.8	69.4
Viet Nam	13.3	28.1	111.3	60.5	45.5	-24.8	-47.2	-17.4

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Data are preliminary as of 8.10.2010.



Table 3

**EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE WITH NON EU COUNTRIES BY SECTIONS OF SITC, rev.4**  
**FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY- AUGUST 2009 AND 2010<sup>1</sup>**

(Million Levs)

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2009	2010	Growth - %	2009	2010	Growth - %	2009	2010
<b>Total – third countries</b>	<b>5026.7</b>	<b>7460.7</b>	<b>48.4</b>	<b>8827.1</b>	<b>9723.4</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>-3800.4</b>	<b>-2262.7</b>
Food and live animals	362.3	450.7	24.4	450.2	365.3	-18.9	-87.9	85.4
Beverages and tobacco	170.8	236.3	38.3	94.0	100.8	7.2	76.8	135.5
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	385.6	726.5	88.4	1109.0	1392.7	25.6	-723.4	-666.2
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1217.6	1866.8	53.3	3739.9	4347.2	16.2	-2522.3	-2480.4
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	27.2	25.2	-7.4	31.7	28.5	-10.1	-4.5	-3.3
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	658.8	920.1	39.7	478.2	545.6	14.1	180.6	374.5
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1088.7	1707.8	56.9	1273.3	1370.8	7.7	-184.6	337.0
Machinery and transport equipment	689.9	872.2	26.4	1219.7	1152.3	-5.5	-529.8	-280.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	413.3	641.3	55.2	424.1	409.3	-3.5	-10.8	232.0
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	12.5	13.8	10.4	7.0	10.9	55.7	5.5	2.9

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 8.10.2010.