

BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2011 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

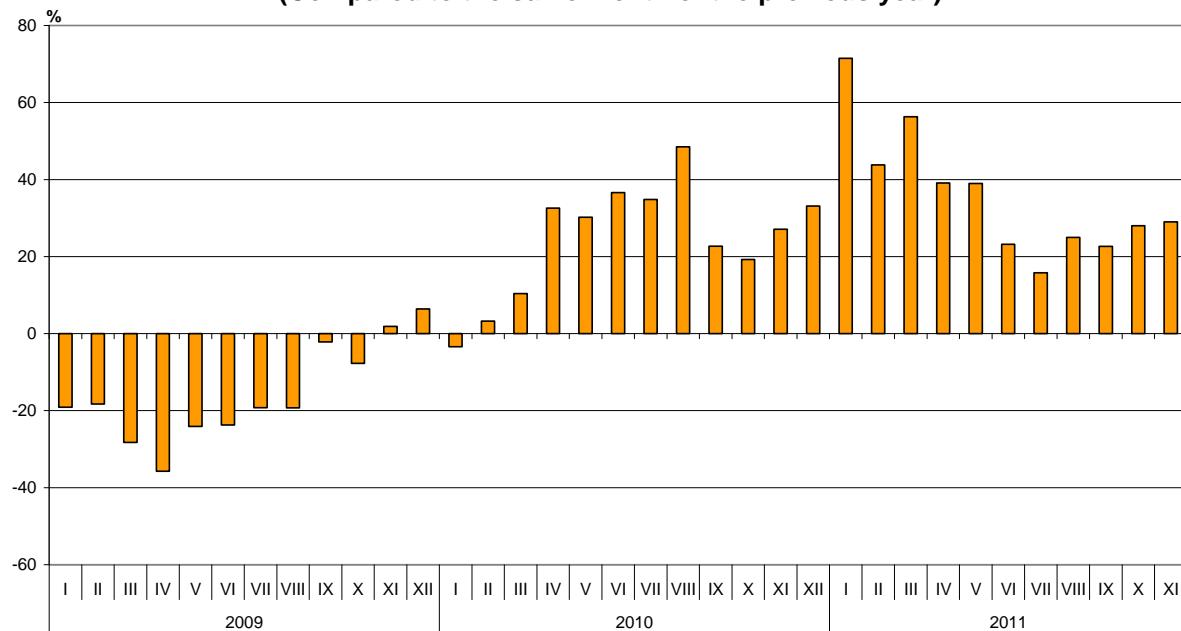
In the period **January - November 2011** the Bulgarian **exports** to the EU increased by 33.3% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 22.6 billion levs (Table 1.1 and 1.2). The main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Romania, Italy, Greece and Belgium, that formed 66.8 % of the total exports to the EU Member states (Table 2). The most significant growths were observed in the exports to Malta, Denmark and Portugal. Falls were registered in the exports to Slovenia and Luxembourg.

In **November 2011** the exports to the EU increased by 29.1% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and exceeded 2.2 billion levs.

Figure 1. Nominal growth of exports to EU for the period

2009 - 2011

(Compared to the same month of the previous year)

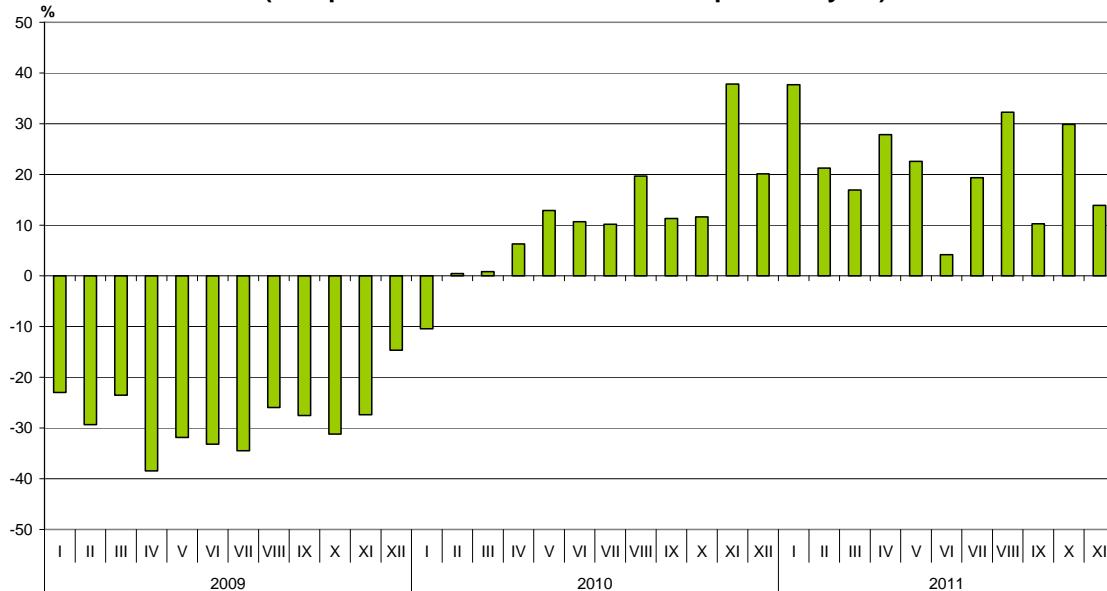


Bulgarian **imports** from the EU in the period **January - November 2011** increased by 20.7% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 24.1 billion levs at CIF prices (Tables 1.1 and 1.2). The most significant growths were reported on the imports from Cyprus and Spain (Table 2). Decreases were observed in the imports from Malta, Finland, Portugal and Denmark.

In **November 2011** the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States increased by 13.9% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and exceeded 2.6 billion levs at CIF prices.



**Figure 2. Nominal growth of imports from EU for the period
2009 - 2011**
(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 2011 was negative and amounted to 1 440.1 million levs (Table 1.1). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the trade balance was also negative and reached 329.2 million levs.

The **exports** of Bulgaria to the **EU** distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, increased in all sections in the first eleven months of 2011 compared to the corresponding period of the previous year (Table 3). The largest growths were recorded in the sections "Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)"¹, "Chemical and related products", and „Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”².

The largest growths **on imports** from EU were reported in sections "Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)" and „Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”. Falls were reported in section "Mineral fuels, lubricant and related materials".

¹ 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.

² The section includes the following divisions: animal oils and fats; fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated; animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes of animal or vegetable origin; inedible mixtures or preparations of animal or vegetable fats or oils, n.e.s.



Table 1.1

Exports, Imports and trade balance for the period January-November 2010 and 2011¹ by months

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB ²			(Million Levs)		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2010	1785.6	1075.1	710.5	2270.3	1275.0	995.3	2162.3	1215.4	946.9	-484.7	-199.9	-284.8	-376.7	-140.3	-236.4			
II.2010	1952.7	1264.3	688.4	2303.4	1537.9	765.5	2194.3	1463.3	731.0	-350.7	-273.6	-77.1	-241.6	-199.0	-42.6			
III.2010	2194.7	1294.7	900.0	2976.3	1784.1	1192.2	2838.1	1705.3	1132.8	-781.6	-489.4	-292.2	-643.4	-410.6	-232.8			
I - III.2010	5933.0	3634.1	2298.9	7550.0	4597.0	2953.0	7194.7	4384.0	2810.7	-1617.0	-962.9	-654.1	-1261.7	-749.9	-511.8			
IV.2010	2296.7	1326.8	969.9	3129.3	1669.2	1460.1	2978.8	1595.2	1383.6	-832.6	-342.4	-490.2	-682.1	-268.4	-413.7			
V.2010	2370.0	1467.1	902.9	3215.3	1857.6	1357.7	3062.8	1774.7	1288.1	-845.3	-390.5	-454.8	-692.8	-307.6	-385.2			
VI.2010	2764.1	1647.6	1116.5	3263.1	1920.4	1342.7	3105.0	1833.0	1272.0	-499.0	-272.8	-226.2	-340.9	-185.4	-155.5			
IV-VI.2010	7430.8	4441.5	2989.3	9607.7	5447.2	4160.5	9146.6	5202.9	3943.7	-2176.9	-1005.7	-1171.2	-1715.8	-761.4	-954.4			
I - VI.2010	13363.8	8075.6	5288.2	17157.7	10044.2	7113.5	16341.3	9586.9	6754.4	-3793.9	-1968.6	-1825.3	-2977.5	-1511.3	-1466.2			
VII.2010	2989.2	1921.9	1067.3	3281.6	1833.5	1448.1	3119.6	1749.4	1370.2	-292.4	88.4	-380.8	-130.4	172.5	-302.9			
VIII.2010	2841.6	1774.1	1067.5	3010.8	1751.8	1259.0	2870.3	1672.1	1198.2	-169.2	22.3	-191.5	-28.7	102.0	-130.7			
IX.2010	2805.7	1683.6	1122.1	3191.7	1919.3	1272.4	3041.3	1834.3	1207.0	-386.0	-235.7	-150.3	-235.6	-150.7	-84.9			
VII-IX.2010	8636.5	5379.6	3256.9	9484.1	5504.6	3979.5	9031.2	5255.8	3775.4	-847.6	-125.0	-722.6	-394.7	123.8	-518.5			
I-IX.2010	22000.3	13455.2	8545.1	26641.8	15548.8	11093.0	25372.5	14842.7	10529.8	-4641.5	-2093.6	-2547.9	-3372.2	-1387.5	-1984.7			
X.2010	2857.0	1777.3	1079.7	3441.5	2054.9	1386.6	3273.1	1958.4	1314.7	-584.5	-277.6	-306.9	-416.1	-181.1	-235.0			
XI.2010	2848.8	1749.5	1099.3	3923.1	2346.3	1576.8	3734.7	2240.4	1494.3	-1074.3	-596.8	-477.5	-885.9	-490.9	-395.0			
I-XI.2010	27706.1	16982.0	10724.1	34006.4	19950.0	14056.4	32380.3	19041.5	13338.8	-6300.3	-2968.0	-3332.3	-4674.2	-2059.5	-2614.7			
I.2011	3109.2	1843.5	1265.7	3115.4	1755.5	1359.9	2966.8	1677.7	1289.1	-6.2	88.0	-94.2	142.4	165.8	-23.4			
II.2011	2914.5	1818.2	1096.3	3133.8	1864.7	1269.1	2987.2	1782.8	1204.4	-219.3	-46.5	-172.8	-72.7	35.4	-108.1			
III.2011	3319.8	2023.8	1296.0	3578.7	2086.1	1492.6	3409.2	1992.3	1416.9	-258.9	-62.3	-196.6	-89.4	31.5	-120.9			
I - III.2011	9343.5	5685.5	3658.0	9827.9	5706.3	4121.6	9363.2	5452.8	3910.4	-484.4	-20.8	-463.6	-19.7	232.7	-252.4			
IV.2011	3140.7	1846.1	1294.6	3727.4	2134.2	1593.2	3541.0	2032.7	1508.3	-586.7	-288.1	-298.6	-400.3	-186.6	-213.7			
V.2011	3247.1	2038.7	1208.4	3862.7	2277.2	1585.5	3677.4	2175.5	1501.9	-615.6	-238.5	-377.1	-430.3	-136.8	-293.5			
VI.2011	3122.9	2029.6	1093.3	3718.7	2000.5	1718.2	3536.5	1910.5	1626.0	-595.8	29.1	-624.9	-413.6	119.1	-532.7			
IV - VI.2011	9510.7	5914.4	3596.3	11308.8	6411.9	4896.9	10754.9	6118.7	4636.2	-1798.1	-497.5	-1300.6	-1244.2	-204.3	-1039.9			
I - VI.2011	18854.2	11599.9	7254.3	21136.7	12118.2	9018.5	20118.1	11571.5	8546.6	-2282.5	-518.3	-1764.2	-1263.9	28.4	-1292.3			
VII.2011	3608.5	2225.9	1382.6	3712.8	2188.6	1524.2	3534.2	2091.3	1442.9	-104.3	37.3	-141.6	74.3	134.6	-60.3			
VIII.2011	3436.0	2217.4	1218.6	3796.9	2316.8	1480.1	3610.1	2202.9	1407.2	-360.9	-99.4	-261.5	-174.1	14.5	-188.6			
IX.2011	3349.3	2065.2	1284.1	3906.5	2116.6	1789.9	3712.2	2021.1	1691.1	-557.2	-51.4	-505.8	-362.9	44.1	-407.0			
VII-IX.2011	10393.8	6508.5	3885.3	11416.2	6622.0	4794.2	10856.5	6315.3	4541.2	-1022.4	-113.5	-908.9	-462.7	193.2	-655.9			
I-IX.2011	29248.0	18108.4	11139.6	32552.9	18740.2	13812.7	30974.6	17886.8	13087.8	-3304.9	-631.8	-2673.1	-1726.6	221.6	-1948.2			
X.2011	3531.8	2275.1	1256.7	4283.2	2669.1	1614.1	4070.4	2542.3	1528.1	-751.4	-394.0	-357.4	-538.6	-267.2	-271.4			
XI-2011	3430.5	2257.8	1172.7	4365.9	2672.1	1693.8	4145.6	2541.4	1604.2	-935.4	-414.3	-521.1	-715.1	-283.6	-431.5			
I-XI.2011	36210.3	22641.3	13569.0	41202.0	24081.4	17120.6	39190.6	22970.5	16220.1	-4991.7	-1440.1	-3551.6	-2980.3	-329.2	-2651.1			

¹ Data are preliminary as of 08.02.2012.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.



Table 1.2

Growth of exports and imports for the period January-November 2011¹ compared to the same month of the previous year

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I	74.1	71.5	78.1	37.2	37.7	36.6	37.2	38.0	36.1
II	49.3	43.8	59.3	36.1	21.2	65.8	36.1	21.8	64.8
III	51.3	56.3	44.0	20.2	16.9	25.2	20.1	16.8	25.1
I - III	57.5	56.4	59.1	30.2	24.1	39.6	30.1	24.4	39.1
IV	36.7	39.1	33.5	19.1	27.9	9.1	18.9	27.4	9.0
V	37.0	39.0	33.8	20.1	22.6	16.8	20.1	22.6	16.6
VI	13.0	23.2	-2.1	14.0	4.2	28.0	13.9	4.2	27.8
IV - VI	28.0	33.2	20.3	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.6	17.6	17.6
I-VI	41.1	43.6	37.2	23.2	20.6	26.8	23.1	20.7	26.5
VII	20.7	15.8	29.5	13.1	19.4	5.3	13.3	19.5	5.3
VIII	20.9	25.0	14.2	26.1	32.3	17.6	25.8	31.7	17.4
IX	19.4	22.7	14.4	22.4	10.3	40.7	22.1	10.2	40.1
VII-IX	20.3	21.0	19.3	20.4	20.3	20.5	20.2	20.2	20.3
I-IX	32.9	34.6	30.4	22.2	20.5	24.5	22.1	20.5	24.3
X	23.6	28.0	16.4	24.5	29.9	16.4	24.4	29.8	16.2
XI	20.4	29.1	6.7	11.3	13.9	7.4	11.0	13.4	7.4
I-XI	30.7	33.3	26.5	21.2	20.7	21.8	21.0	20.6	21.6

¹ Data are preliminary as of 08.02.2012.



Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main trade partners¹
for the period January-November 2010 and 2011²

Countries and groups of countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	27706.1	36210.3	30.7	34006.4	41202.0	21.2	-6300.3	-4991.7
EU	16982.0	22641.3	33.3	19950.0	24081.4	20.7	-2968.0	-1440.1
Austria	530.0	715.5	35.0	1190.9	1369.2	15.0	-660.9	-653.7
Belgium	1051.4	1828.7	73.9	648.1	719.0	10.9	403.3	1109.7
Cyprus	83.0	110.6	33.3	50.1	131.1	161.7	32.9	-20.5
Czech Republic	261.6	392.4	50.0	652.0	706.2	8.3	-390.4	-313.8
Denmark	102.0	261.0	155.9	168.9	157.6	-6.7	-66.9	103.4
Estonia	19.0	21.9	15.3	6.6	9.8	48.5	12.4	12.1
Finland	47.7	66.1	38.6	168.3	110.7	-34.2	-120.6	-44.6
France	1115.9	1534.3	37.5	1113.5	1362.0	22.3	2.4	172.3
Germany	2957.4	4412.6	49.2	3964.8	4469.6	12.7	-1007.4	-57.0
Greece	2222.3	2454.1	10.4	2006.9	2355.4	17.4	215.4	98.7
Hungary	355.9	469.4	31.9	1071.1	1267.3	18.3	-715.2	-797.9
Ireland	15.7	27.3	73.9	95.4	138.7	45.4	-79.7	-111.4
Italy	2740.0	3013.6	10.0	2485.5	2957.9	19.0	254.5	55.7
Latvia	29.4	39.4	34.0	21.6	23.6	9.3	7.8	15.8
Lithuania	42.3	46.8	10.6	51.6	74.7	44.8	-9.3	-27.9
Luxembourg	39.6	35.4	-10.6	24.5	26.1	6.5	15.1	9.3
Malta	11.1	60.2	442.3	49.8	24.6	-50.6	-38.7	35.6
Netherlands	423.2	641.2	51.5	948.4	1014.3	6.9	-525.2	-373.1
Poland	479.5	677.3	41.3	708.2	786.5	11.1	-228.7	-109.2
Portugal	75.1	152.9	103.6	104.9	92.0	-12.3	-29.8	60.9
Romania	2527.2	3425.1	35.5	2357.5	2820.7	19.6	169.7	604.4
Slovakia	192.0	203.6	6.0	376.4	494.6	31.4	-184.4	-291.0
Slovenia	224.8	169.8	-24.5	266.5	285.7	7.2	-41.7	-115.9
Spain	747.0	993.5	33.0	663.2	1716.0	158.7	83.8	-722.5
Sweden	138.6	192.3	38.7	174.1	259.7	49.2	-35.5	-67.4
United Kingdom	538.1	677.6	25.9	552.1	676.9	22.6	-14.0	0.7
Not specified	12.2	18.7	53.3	29.1	31.5	8.2	-16.9	-12.8
Non EU countries	10724.1	13569.0	26.5	14056.4	17120.6	21.8	-3332.3	-3551.6
CIS	1668.2	2149.8	28.9	7294.2	9670.6	32.6	-5626.0	-7520.8
of which:								
Georgia	246.0	400.5	62.8	305.9	344.1	12.5	-59.9	56.4
Kazakhstan	37.2	38.8	4.3	11.2	127.1	1034.8	26.0	-88.3
Russian Fed.	803.0	952.2	18.6	5484.8	7350.0	34.0	-4681.8	-6397.8
Ukraine	360.0	511.3	42.0	1396.7	1699.4	21.7	-1036.7	-1188.1
OECD³	3200.7	4309.4	34.6	2736.6	3146.4	15.0	464.1	1163.0
of which:								
Canada	48.1	140.6	192.3	55.6	59.6	7.2	-7.5	81.0
Japan	29.6	41.7	40.9	114.8	125.7	9.5	-85.2	-84.0
Korea, Rep. of	181.1	165.4	-8.7	108.4	211.1	94.7	72.7	-45.7
Turkey	2309.5	3113.9	34.8	1868.0	2001.2	7.1	441.5	1112.7
USA	357.2	466.4	30.6	242.8	364.0	49.9	114.4	102.4



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EFTA								
of which:								
Norway	41.9	65.4	56.1	15.2	22.8	50.0	26.7	42.6
Switzerland	177.4	224.0	26.3	304.3	332.9	9.4	-126.9	-108.9
Countries not included								
in the upper groups:								
Albania	104.8	92.0	-12.2	21.3	31.4	47.4	83.5	60.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	54.7	74.5	36.2	11.9	13.4	12.6	42.8	61.1
Brazil	45.2	53.3	17.9	144.0	177.2	23.1	-98.8	-123.9
China	341.0	481.3	41.1	872.2	1186.9	36.1	-531.2	-705.6
Croatia	151.8	154.9	2.0	64.8	50.9	-21.5	87.0	104.0
Egypt	188.4	316.1	67.8	145.1	132.8	-8.5	43.3	183.3
India	67.6	119.7	77.1	88.7	111.7	25.9	-21.1	8.0
Indonesia	25.3	21.8	-13.8	30.6	34.7	13.4	-5.3	-12.9
Iran	100.1	104.5	4.4	9.7	5.1	-47.4	90.4	99.4
Israel	139.8	98.9	-29.3	179.6	340.6	89.6	-39.8	-241.7
Peru	8.4	3.8	-54.8	328.7	125.4	-61.8	-320.3	-121.6
Serbia	984.9	861.2	-12.6	363.0	455.9	25.6	621.9	405.3
Singapore	358.6	74.1	-79.3	12.8	27.0	110.9	345.8	47.1
South Africa	12.8	129.2	909.4	19.5	35.9	84.1	-6.7	93.3
Syria	148.7	55.8	-62.5	54.7	72.0	31.6	94.0	-16.2
Taiwan	35.3	39.3	11.3	104.5	104.9	0.4	-69.2	-65.6
The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	580.6	810.6	39.6	460.4	461.0	0.1	120.2	349.6
United Arab Emirates	60.6	65.1	7.4	33.7	66.8	98.2	26.9	-1.7
Viet-Nam	37.8	20.4	-46.0	53.2	32.3	-39.3	-15.4	-11.9

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 08.02.2012.

³ Excluding EU countries.



Table 3

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Exports, imports and trade balance by sections of SITC, rev. 4
for the period January-November 2010 and 2011¹

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth -%	2010	2011	Growth -%	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	27706.1	36210.3	30.7	34006.4	41202.0	21.2	-6300.3	-4991.7
of which EU	16982.0	22641.3	33.3	19950.0	24081.4	20.7	-2968.0	-1440.1
Food and live animals	2976.3	3499.9	17.6	2579.9	3143.0	21.8	396.4	356.9
of which EU	2250.4	2693.9	19.7	2068.8	2566.2	24.0	181.6	127.7
Beverages and tobacco	612.8	711.6	16.1	456.9	510.1	11.6	155.9	201.5
of which EU	260.1	300.5	15.5	317.9	370.6	16.6	-57.8	-70.1
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	2397.0	3584.7	49.5	2871.7	3671.1	27.8	-474.7	-86.4
of which EU	1400.4	2155.6	53.9	1009.6	2155.6	113.5	390.8	0.0
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	3698.9	4966.2	34.3	7613.5	9580.9	25.8	-3914.6	-4614.7
of which EU	944.3	1136.3	20.3	1165.2	1140.4	-2.1	-220.9	-4.1
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	181.0	267.8	48.0	155.1	197.9	27.6	25.9	69.9
of which EU	137.1	205.1	49.6	114.3	157.7	38.0	22.8	47.4
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	2209.2	2868.9	29.9	4044.2	4777.7	18.1	-1835.0	-1908.8
of which EU	880.6	1344.4	52.7	3256.7	3717.5	14.1	-2376.1	-2373.1
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	6482.9	9004.2	38.9	5801.4	7112.2	22.6	681.5	1892.0
of which EU	4061.0	5981.5	47.3	3801.0	4471.1	17.6	260.0	1510.4
Machinery and transport equipment	4615.0	6115.6	32.5	7864.1	9405.2	19.6	-3249.1	-3289.6
of which EU	3358.4	4497.6	33.9	6200.5	7352.7	18.6	-2842.1	-2855.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4507.1	5144.6	14.1	2524.2	2685.8	6.4	1982.9	2458.8
of which EU	3679.7	4309.1	17.1	1941.4	2063.7	6.3	1738.3	2245.4
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	25.9	46.8	80.7	95.4	118.1	23.8	-69.5	-71.3
of which EU	10.0	17.3	73.0	74.6	85.9	15.1	-64.6	-68.6

¹ Data are preliminary as of 08.02.2012.