

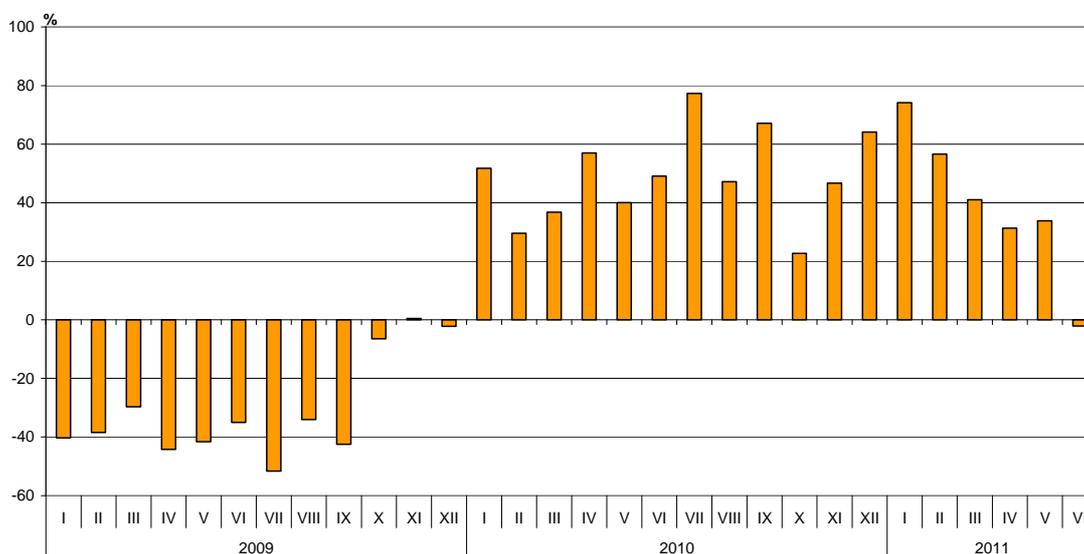


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - JUNE 2011 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period January - June 2011 the Bulgarian exports to third countries increased by 35.5% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and **exceeded 7.2 billion levs** (Table 1.1 and 1.2). The main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, Serbia, Russia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, China and USA, that formed 51.2% of the total exports to non EU countries (Table 2). The exports to South Africa, India and Canada increased significantly. Falls were reported on the exports to Syria, Singapore, Peru, United Arab Emirates, Albania and Indonesia.

In June 2011 the exports to third countries decreased by 2.1% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to **1.1 billion levs**.

**Figure 1. Nominal growth of exports to non EU countries for the period
2009 - 2011
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**

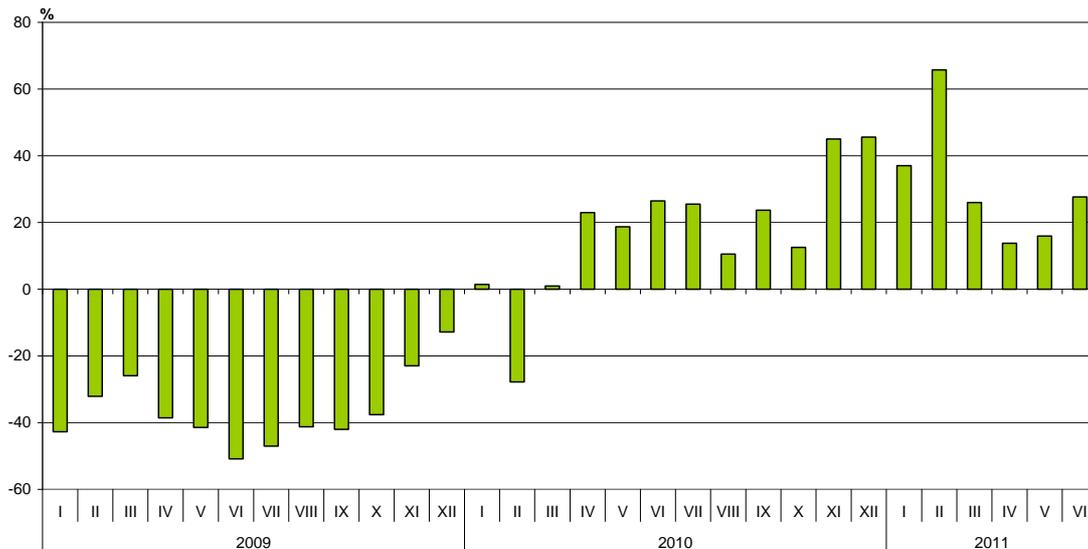




Bulgarian imports from third countries in the first sixth months of 2011 increased by 27.8% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 9.0 billion leva (at CIF prices) (Tables 1.1 and 1.2). The most significant growths were reported on the imports from Kazakhstan, United Arab Emirates, Singapore, South Africa, Republic of Korea and Egypt (Table 2). The largest decreases were observed in the imports from Peru, Canada and Viet-Nam.

In June 2011 the Bulgarian imports from third countries increased by 27.6% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and reached 1.7 billion leva.

Figure 2. Nominal growth of imports to non EU countries 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 third countries in the period January - June 2011 was negative and reached 1764.2 million leva (Table 1.1). The trade balance at FOB /FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) was also negative and amounted to 1086.9 million leva.

In June 2011 the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was negative and reached 624.9 million leva.



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 sixth months of 2011 compared to the corresponding period of the previous year (Table 3). The largest growths were recorded in the sections: “Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials”, “Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”¹, “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material”². The most notable fall was observed in section “Miscellaneous manufactured articles”³.

The largest growths in imports from third countries were reported in section “Chemical and related products” and the most significant falls were reported in section “Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)”⁴.

¹ 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.

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 the following divisions: prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lightning fixtures and fittings, n.e.s. ; 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, n.e.s.; . photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks; miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.

⁴ The section includes the following divisions: Hides, skins and furskins, raw; Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed); Cork and wood; Pulp and waste paper; Textile fibres (other than wool tops and other combed wool) and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric); Crude fertilizers, other than those of division 56, and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones); Metalliferous ores and metal scrap; Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.

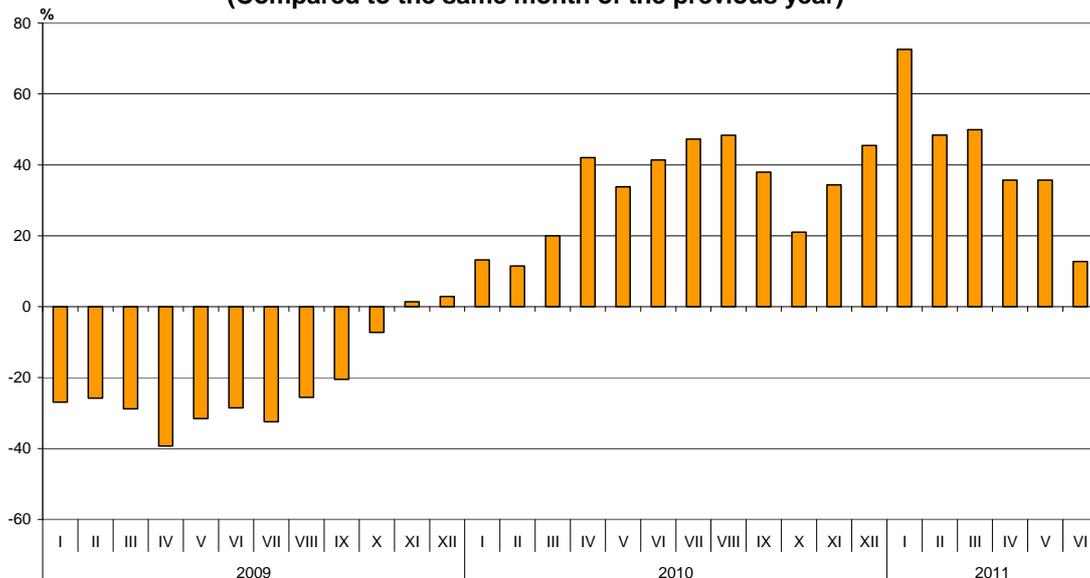


Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU - total

In the period **January - June 2011** the **total value of the exported goods amounted to 18.8 billion levs**. Compared to the corresponding period of 2010 the exports **increased by 40.3%** (Table 1.1 and 1.2).

In June 2011 the **total exports amounted to 3.1 billion levs** and increased by 12.7% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

**Figure 3. Nominal growth of exports for the period
2009 - 2011
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**

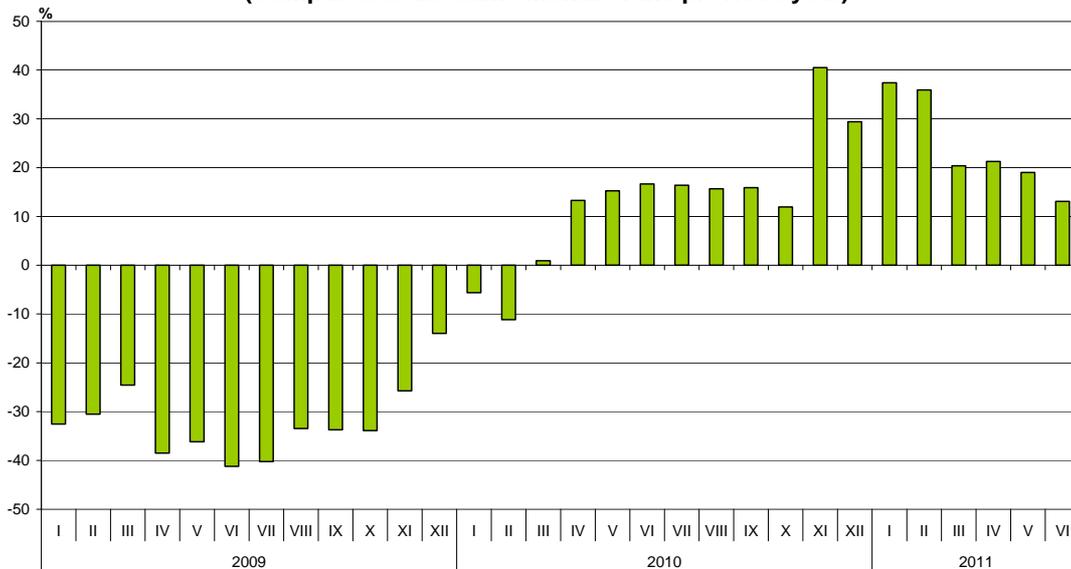


The total value of all imported goods in the period January - June 2011 was **21.1 billion levs (at CIF prices)**, or **by 23.3% more** than corresponding period of the previous year (Table 1.1 and 1.2).

In June 2011 the **total imports increased by 13.1%** compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and reached 3.7 billion levs.



Figure 4. Nominal growth of imports for the period
2009 - 2011
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)



The **total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF)** was negative in the period January – June 2011 and amounted to 2250.1 million levs which was 1421.0 million levs less than the balance in the first sixth months of 2010 (Table 1.1 and 1.2). At **FOB/FOB** prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the total foreign trade balance **was also negative** and amounted to 954.9 million levs.

In June 2011 the total foreign trade balance (**exports FOB - import CIF**) was negative and amounted to 578.3 million levs. The trade balance at FOB/FOB prices was also negative and reached to 342.3 million levs.

ANNEX

Table 1.1

Exports, imports and trade balance for the period January - June 2010¹ and 2011¹ by months

(Million Levs)

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB ²		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2010	1802.0	1075.2	726.8	2267.4	1275.0	992.4	2133.2	1208.9	924.3	-465.4	-199.8	-265.6	-331.2	-133.7	-197.5
II.2010	1964.3	1264.2	700.1	2302.1	1536.6	765.5	2159.5	1446.8	712.7	-337.8	-272.4	-65.4	-195.2	-182.6	-12.6
III.2010	2213.7	1294.7	919.0	2968.8	1784.2	1184.6	2798.0	1697.9	1100.1	-755.1	-489.5	-265.6	-584.3	-403.2	-181.1
I-III.2010	5980.0	3634.1	2345.9	7538.3	4595.8	2942.5	7090.7	4353.6	2737.1	-1558.3	-961.7	-596.6	-1110.7	-719.5	-391.2
IV.2010	2313.3	1327.2	986.1	3069.1	1669.1	1400.0	2890.2	1587.8	1302.4	-755.8	-341.9	-413.9	-576.9	-260.6	-316.3
V.2010	2370.3	1467.1	903.2	3225.1	1857.2	1367.9	3027.6	1759.9	1267.7	-854.8	-390.1	-464.7	-657.3	-292.8	-364.5
VI.2010	2763.8	1647.2	1116.6	3266.0	1919.9	1346.1	3067.2	1820.8	1246.4	-502.2	-272.7	-229.5	-303.4	-173.6	-129.8
IV-VI.2010	7447.4	4441.5	3005.9	9560.2	5446.2	4114.0	8985.0	5168.5	3816.5	-2112.8	-1004.7	-1108.1	-1537.6	-727.0	-810.6
I-VI.2010	13427.4	8075.6	5351.8	17098.5	10042.0	7056.5	16075.7	9522.1	6553.6	-3671.1	-1966.4	-1704.7	-2648.3	-1446.5	-1201.8
I.2011	3109.1	1843.4	1265.7	3115.3	1755.4	1359.9	2924.8	1668.2	1256.6	-6.2	88.0	-94.2	184.3	175.2	9.1
II.2011	2914.4	1818.1	1096.3	3129.3	1860.2	1269.1	2943.3	1771.1	1172.2	-214.9	-42.1	-172.8	-28.9	47.0	-75.9
III.2011	3318.5	2022.5	1296.0	3574.0	2081.4	1492.6	3371.1	1978.4	1392.7	-255.5	-58.9	-196.6	-52.6	44.1	-96.7
I-III.2011	9342.0	5684.0	3658.0	9818.6	5697.0	4121.6	9239.2	5417.7	3821.5	-476.6	-13.0	-463.6	102.8	266.3	-163.5
IV.2011	3138.2	1843.6	1294.6	3721.2	2128.0	1593.2	3481.5	2001.0	1480.5	-583.2	-284.4	-298.6	-343.3	-157.4	-185.9
V.2011	3240.5	2032.1	1208.4	3852.7	2267.2	1585.5	3612.6	2154.4	1458.2	-612.2	-235.1	-377.1	-372.1	-122.3	-249.8
VI.2011	3115.0	2021.7	1093.3	3693.3	1975.1	1718.2	3457.3	1876.3	1581.0	-578.3	46.6	-624.9	-342.3	145.4	-487.7
IV-VI.2011	9493.7	5897.4	3596.3	11267.2	6370.3	4896.9	10551.4	6031.7	4519.7	-1773.5	-472.9	-1300.6	-1057.7	-134.3	-923.4
I-VI.2011	18835.7	11581.4	7254.3	21085.8	12067.3	9018.5	19790.6	11449.4	8341.2	-2250.1	-485.9	-1764.2	-954.9	132.0	-1086.9

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.08.2011.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.

Table 1.2

Growth of exports and imports for the period January - June 2011¹ 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	72.5	71.4	74.1	37.4	37.7	37.0	37.1	38.0	36.0
II	48.4	43.8	56.6	35.9	21.1	65.8	36.3	22.4	64.5
III	49.9	56.2	41.0	20.4	16.7	26.0	20.5	16.5	26.6
I-III	56.2	56.4	55.9	30.2	24.0	40.1	30.3	24.4	39.6
IV	35.7	38.9	31.3	21.2	27.5	13.8	20.5	26.0	13.7
V	36.7	38.5	33.8	19.5	22.1	15.9	19.3	22.4	15.0
VI	12.7	22.7	-2.1	13.1	2.9	27.6	12.7	3.0	26.8
IV-VI	27.5	32.8	19.6	17.9	17.0	19.0	17.4	16.7	18.4
I-VI	40.3	43.4	35.5	23.3	20.2	27.8	23.1	20.2	27.3

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.08.2011.



Table 2

**Exports, imports and trade balance with main non EU partner countries¹
for the period January - June 2010² and 2011²**

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Third countries -total	5351.8	7254.3	35.5	7056.5	9018.5	27.8	-1704.7	-1764.2
Albania	57.7	43.7	-24.3	10.3	17.3	68.0	47.4	26.4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	30.0	37.7	25.7	6.3	5.1	-19.0	23.7	32.6
Brazil	26.3	36.4	38.4	67.4	59.5	-11.7	-41.1	-23.1
Canada	24.3	47.0	93.4	46.8	18.5	-60.5	-22.5	28.5
China	188.8	284.4	50.6	434.2	590.8	36.1	-245.4	-306.4
Croatia	111.1	119.2	7.3	21.8	27.0	23.9	89.3	92.2
Egypt	114.4	141.4	23.6	13.4	28.5	112.7	101.0	112.9
Georgia	111.9	169.4	51.4	161.2	212.5	31.8	-49.3	-43.1
India	47.5	93.5	96.8	41.6	59.3	42.5	5.9	34.2
Indonesia	12.6	10.1	-19.8	13.5	20.8	54.1	-0.9	-10.7
Iran	54.1	63.0	16.5	6.3	2.8	-55.6	47.8	60.2
Israel	26.8	41.5	54.9	108.3	151.1	39.5	-81.5	-109.6
Japan	15.4	18.9	22.7	64.4	65.1	1.1	-49.0	-46.2
Kazakhstan	15.8	19.0	20.3	3.2	104.2	3156.3	12.6	-85.2
Republic of Korea	54.7	83.1	51.9	44.1	111.4	152.6	10.6	-28.3
Norway	23.0	32.6	41.7	6.1	8.6	41.0	16.9	24.0
Peru	6.8	2.3	-66.2	237.1	33.7	-85.8	-230.3	-31.4
Russian Federation	376.9	468.2	24.2	2724.8	3915.6	43.7	-2347.9	-3447.4
Serbia	467.5	469.6	0.4	185.1	233.1	25.9	282.4	236.5
Singapore	228.6	68.1	-70.2	5.7	15.3	168.4	222.9	52.8
South Africa	6.4	119.1	1760.9	7.3	18.8	157.5	-0.9	100.3
Switzerland	83.1	111.6	34.3	152.1	184.8	21.5	-69.0	-73.2
Syria	104.6	10.7	-89.8	32.5	36.6	12.6	72.1	-25.9
Taiwan	17.0	22.2	30.6	50.1	53.1	6.0	-33.1	-30.9
The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	262.8	424.2	61.4	229.1	253.4	10.6	33.7	170.8
Turkey	1158.9	1811.5	56.3	911.8	1081.1	18.6	247.1	730.4
Ukraine	103.4	148.5	43.6	697.0	929.0	33.3	-593.6	-780.5
United Arab Emirates	42.8	29.2	-31.8	16.5	57.6	249.1	26.3	-28.4
USA	146.5	259.5	77.1	129.8	192.9	48.6	16.7	66.6
Viet - Nam	9.8	11.7	19.4	40.4	16.5	-59.2	-30.6	-4.8

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 09.08.2011.



Table 3

**Exports, imports and trade balance with non EU countries by sections of SITC, rev.4
for the period January - June 2010¹ 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	
Third countries -total	5351.8	7254.3	35.5	7056.5	9018.5	27.8	-1704.7	-1764.2
Food and live animals	267.4	341.8	27.8	281.8	274.7	-2.5	-14.4	67.1
Beverages and tobacco	173.5	202.6	16.8	68.1	66.7	-2.1	105.4	135.9
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	556.1	773.2	39.0	1005.6	829.1	-17.6	-449.5	-55.9
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1331.0	2078.8	56.2	3122.8	4498.2	44.0	-1791.8	-2419.4
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	18.3	27.0	47.5	19.5	24.3	24.6	-1.2	2.7
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	676.5	805.2	19.0	370.4	546.8	47.6	306.1	258.4
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1212.9	1708.5	40.9	1009.4	1410.9	39.8	203.5	297.6
Machinery and transport equipment	637.8	856.1	34.2	876.9	1036.4	18.2	-239.1	-180.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	466.9	452.3	-3.1	294.8	321.4	9.0	172.1	130.9
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	11.4	8.8	-22.8	7.2	10.0	38.9	4.2	-1.2

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