

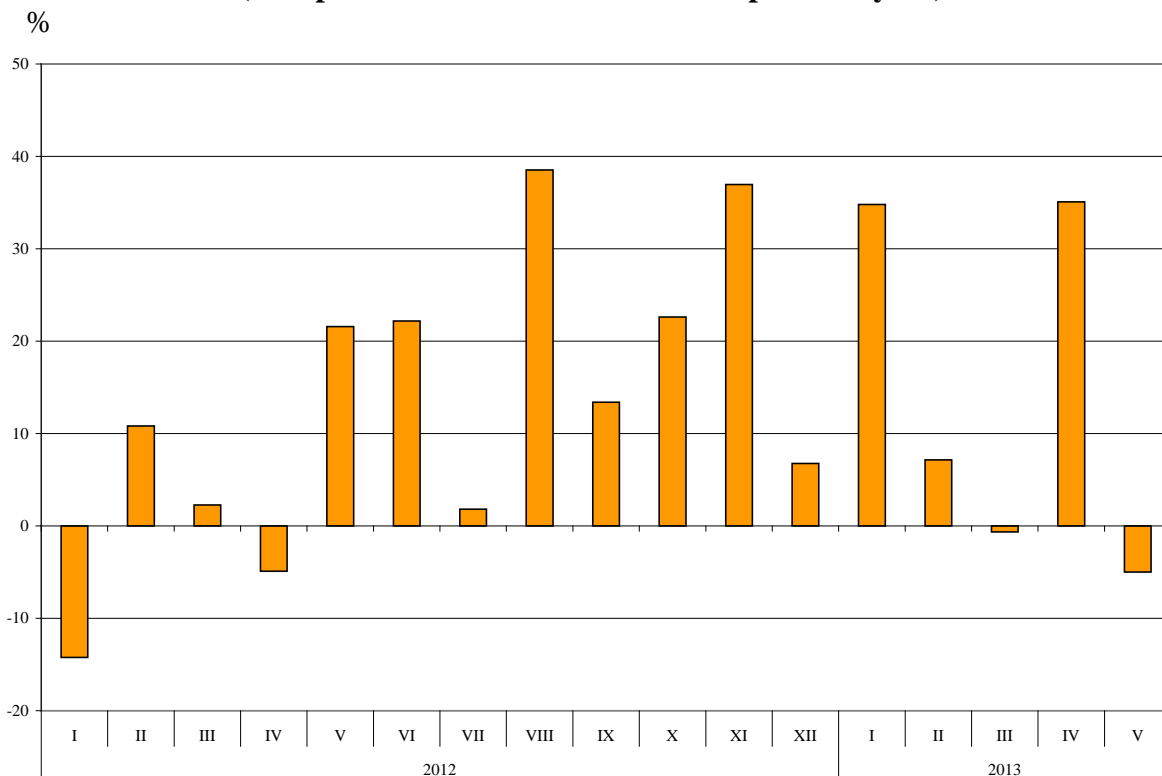


## BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - MAY 2013 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - May 2013** the Bulgarian **exports to third countries** increased by 12.8% compared to the corresponding period of 2012 and amounted to 7.2 Billion Levs (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, Gibraltar, China, Russian Federation, Ukraine and Serbia which accounted for 53.2% of the exports to non EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

**In May 2013** the **exports to third countries** decreased by 5.0% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.4 Billion Levs.

**Figure 1. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of exports of Bulgaria to non EU countries  
for the period 2012 - 2013  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



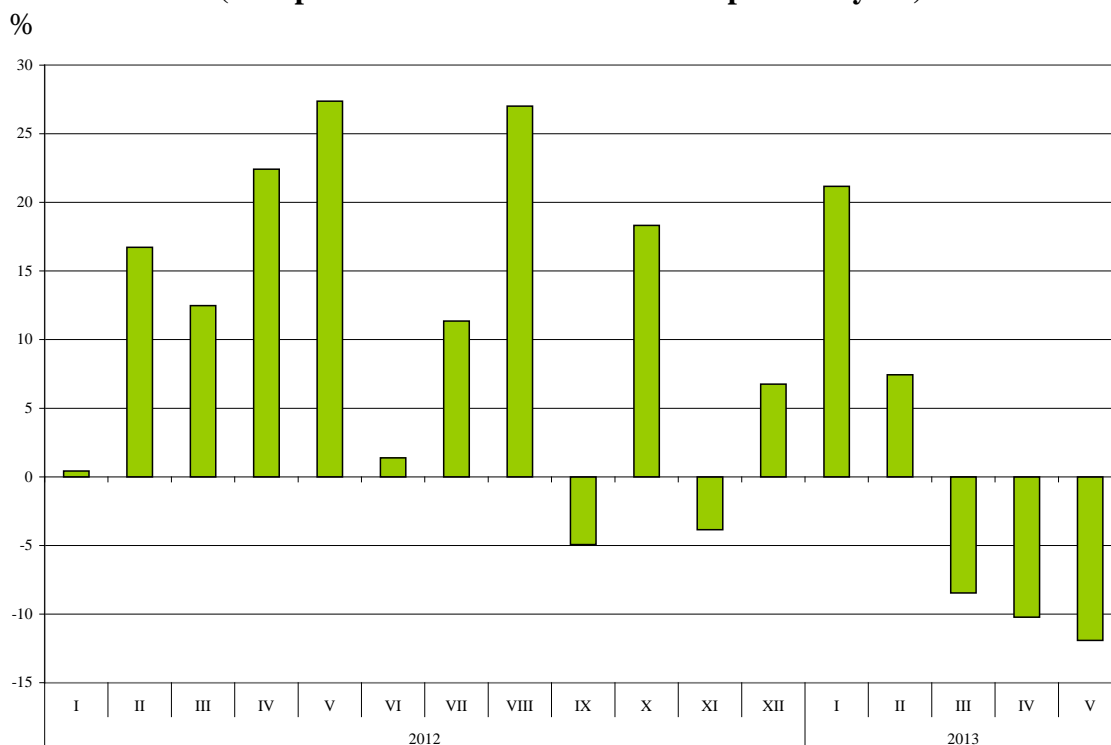
**Bulgarian imports from third countries in the first five months of 2013** decreased by 2.1% compared to the corresponding period of 2012 and added up to 8.3 Billion Levs (at CIF prices) (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Russian Federation, Turkey, China, Ukraine and Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (Annex, Table 3).

**In May 2013** the Bulgarian imports from third countries decreased by 11.9% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.8 Billion Levs.

<sup>1</sup> Value changes at current prices.



**Figure 2. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of imports of Bulgaria to non EU countries for the period 2012 - 2013 (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 - May 2013 was negative and added up to 1 132.9 Million Levs (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 758.9 Million Levs.

**In May 2013** the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was negative and amounted to 337.0 Million Levs.

In the first five months of 2013 compared to the corresponding period of 2012 largest growths in the exports of Bulgaria to third countries distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification** were recorded in the sections “Food and live animals” (83.5%) and “Machinery and transport equipment” (36.3%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable fall was reported in section “Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes” (17.8%).

In imports from third countries the largest growth was reported in section “Chemical and related products n.e.c.” (33.4%) while the most notable fall was observed in section “Machinery and transport equipment” (19.5%).

<sup>1</sup> Value changes at current prices.

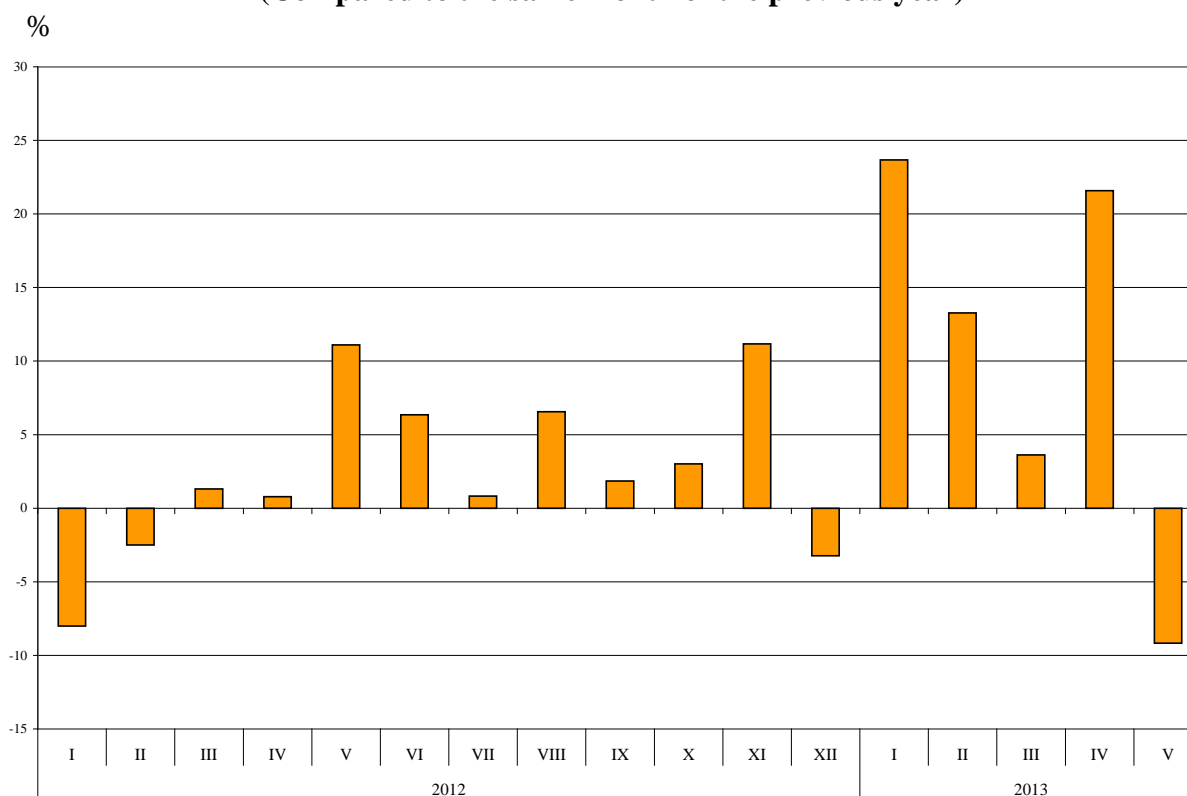


## Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU - total

**In the period January - May 2013** the value of **all exported goods** from Bulgaria amounted to 17.4 Billion Levs and compared to the corresponding period of the previous year the exports increased by 9.6% (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

**In May 2013** the total exports added up to 3.3 Billion Levs and decreased by 9.2% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

**Figure 3. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of exports of Bulgaria for the period 2012 - 2013  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



The total value of **all the goods imported** in the country **in the period January - May 2013** amounted to 20.2 Billion Levs (at CIF prices), or by 0.7% less than the corresponding period of the previous year (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

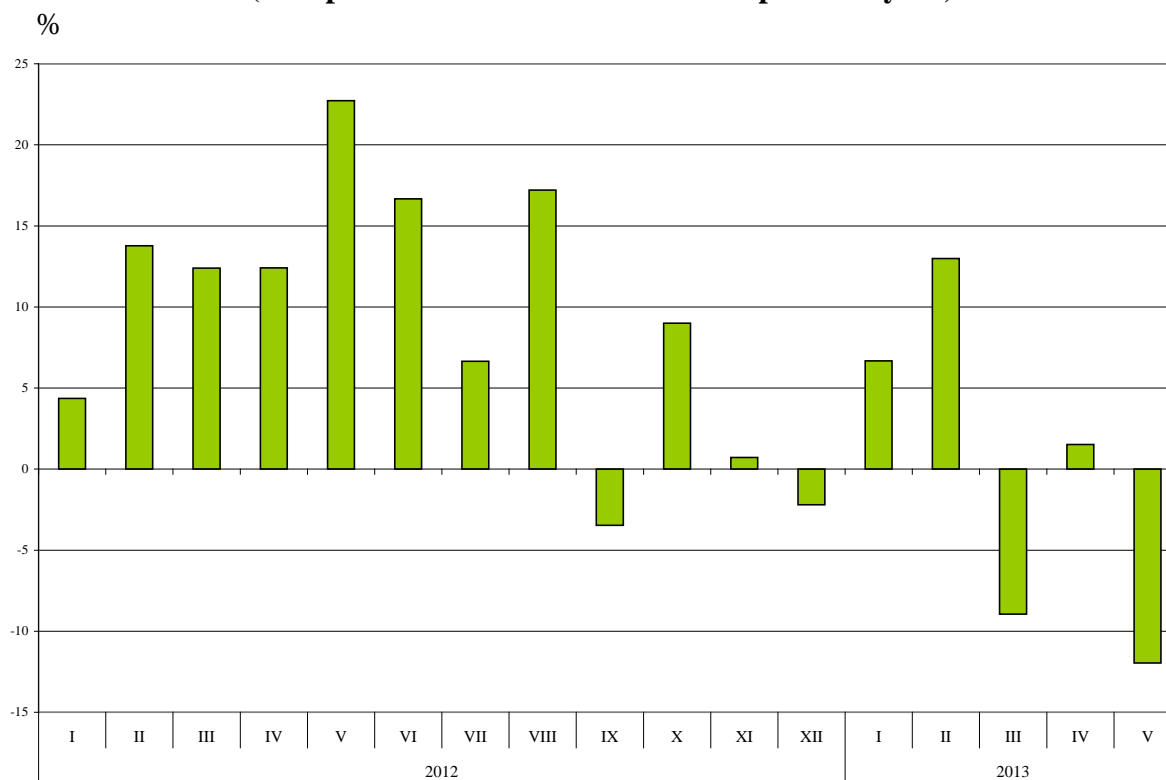
**In May 2013** the total imports decreased by 12.0% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and added up to 4.1 Billion Levs.

<sup>1</sup> Value changes at current prices.



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**Figure 4. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of imports of Bulgaria for the period 2012 - 2013  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



The **total foreign trade balance** (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative in the period January - May 2013 and amounted to 2 808.9 Million Levs which was 1 656.9 Million Levs less than the balance in the first five months of 2012 (Annex, Table 1 and 2). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) in the period January - May 2013 the total foreign trade balance was also negative and amounted to 1 938.9 Million Levs.

In May 2013 the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative and added up to 811.2 Million Levs. The trade balance at FOB/FOB prices was also negative and amounted to 611.8 Million Levs.

<sup>1</sup> Value changes at current prices.

## Annex

Table 1

### Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria for the period January - May 2012<sup>1</sup> and 2013<sup>1</sup> by months

(Million Levs)

Months/Periods	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.2012	2810.1	1724.6	1085.5	3499.3	2127.3	1372.0	3354.5	2041.5	1313.0	-689.2	-402.7	-286.5	-544.4	-316.9	-227.5
II.2012	2861.9	1649.4	1212.5	3604.8	2122.8	1482.0	3456.0	2041.1	1414.9	-742.9	-473.4	-269.5	-594.1	-391.7	-202.4
III.2012	3363.5	2041.0	1322.5	4240.5	2566.2	1674.3	4066.6	2465.8	1600.8	-877.0	-525.2	-351.8	-703.1	-424.8	-278.3
<b>I - III.2012</b>	<b>9035.5</b>	<b>5415.0</b>	<b>3620.5</b>	<b>11344.6</b>	<b>6816.3</b>	<b>4528.3</b>	<b>10877.1</b>	<b>6548.4</b>	<b>4328.7</b>	<b>-2309.1</b>	<b>-1401.3</b>	<b>-907.8</b>	<b>-1841.6</b>	<b>-1133.4</b>	<b>-708.2</b>
IV.2012	3169.1	1939.0	1230.1	4288.6	2343.3	1945.3	4106.9	2253.8	1853.1	-1119.5	-404.3	-715.2	-937.8	-314.8	-623.0
V.2012	3647.9	2137.3	1510.6	4685.1	2673.1	2012.0	4488.4	2567.2	1921.2	-1037.2	-535.8	-501.4	-840.5	-429.9	-410.6
<b>I - V.2012</b>	<b>15852.5</b>	<b>9491.3</b>	<b>6361.2</b>	<b>20318.3</b>	<b>11832.7</b>	<b>8485.6</b>	<b>19472.4</b>	<b>11369.4</b>	<b>8103.0</b>	<b>-4465.8</b>	<b>-2341.4</b>	<b>-2124.4</b>	<b>-3619.9</b>	<b>-1878.1</b>	<b>-1741.8</b>
I.2013	3475.4	2012.1	1463.3	3732.8	2070.3	1662.5	3571.0	1989.1	1581.9	-257.4	-58.2	-199.2	-95.6	23.0	-118.6
II.2013	3241.6	1942.5	1299.1	4073.0	2480.8	1592.2	3897.5	2379.5	1518.0	-831.4	-538.3	-293.1	-655.9	-437.0	-218.9
III.2013	3485.2	2171.3	1313.9	3861.0	2328.3	1532.7	3704.8	2239.2	1465.6	-375.8	-157.0	-218.8	-219.6	-67.9	-151.7
<b>I - III.2013</b>	<b>10202.2</b>	<b>6125.9</b>	<b>4076.3</b>	<b>11666.8</b>	<b>6879.4</b>	<b>4787.4</b>	<b>11173.3</b>	<b>6607.8</b>	<b>4565.5</b>	<b>-1464.6</b>	<b>-753.5</b>	<b>-711.1</b>	<b>-971.1</b>	<b>-481.9</b>	<b>-489.2</b>
IV.2013	3857.7	2196.2	1661.5	4390.8	2644.5	1746.3	4213.7	2537.8	1675.9	-533.1	-448.3	-84.8	-356.0	-341.6	-14.4
V.2013	3313.5	1878.2	1435.3	4124.7	2352.4	1772.3	3925.3	2234.7	1690.6	-811.2	-474.2	-337.0	-611.8	-356.5	-255.3
<b>I - V.2013</b>	<b>17373.4</b>	<b>10200.3</b>	<b>7173.1</b>	<b>20182.3</b>	<b>11876.3</b>	<b>8306.0</b>	<b>19312.3</b>	<b>11380.3</b>	<b>7932.0</b>	<b>-2808.9</b>	<b>-1676.0</b>	<b>-1132.9</b>	<b>-1938.9</b>	<b>-1180.0</b>	<b>-758.9</b>

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 10.07.2013.

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

Table 2

### Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria for the period January - May 2013<sup>1</sup> compared to the same period of the previous year

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I	23.7	16.7	34.8	6.7	-2.7	21.2	6.5	-2.6	20.5
II	13.3	17.8	7.1	13.0	16.9	7.4	12.8	16.6	7.3
III	3.6	6.4	-0.7	-8.9	-9.3	-8.5	-8.9	-9.2	-8.4
<b>I - III</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>5.5</b>
IV	21.7	13.3	35.1	2.4	12.9	-10.2	2.6	12.6	-9.6
V	-9.2	-12.1	-5.0	-12.0	-12.0	-11.9	-12.5	-13.0	-12.0
<b>I - V</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>-2.1</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-2.1</b>

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Table 3

**Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with main non EU partner countries<sup>1</sup> for the period January - May 2012<sup>2</sup> and 2013<sup>2</sup>**

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2012	2013	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2012	2013	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2012	2013
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
<b>Third countries -total</b>	<b>6361.2</b>	<b>7173.1</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>8485.6</b>	<b>8306.0</b>	<b>-2.1</b>	<b>-2124.4</b>	<b>-1132.9</b>
of which:								
Albania	38.7	42.4	9.6	16.6	13.3	-19.9	22.1	29.1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	27.5	30.2	9.8	11.2	21.0	87.5	16.3	9.2
Brazil	58.3	8.7	-85.1	130.5	33.1	-74.6	-72.2	-24.4
Canada	95.2	94.1	-1.2	12.8	12.9	0.8	82.4	81.2
China	463.4	441.2	-4.8	715.0	600.3	-16.0	-251.6	-159.1
Croatia	56.0	40.1	-28.4	21.2	27.9	31.6	34.8	12.2
Egypt	102.1	156.2	53.0	44.8	35.7	-20.3	57.3	120.5
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	327.7	268.5	-18.1	198.0	233.5	17.9	129.7	35.0
Georgia	184.7	151.8	-17.8	158.0	229.6	45.3	26.7	-77.8
Gibraltar	574.6	605.0	5.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	574.6	605.0
India	25.0	21.8	-12.8	58.2	96.0	64.9	-33.2	-74.2
Indonesia	13.4	17.0	26.9	15.4	21.9	42.2	-2.0	-4.9
Iran, Islamic Republic of	14.4	9.7	-32.6	6.9	1.9	-72.5	7.5	7.8
Israel	117.8	41.6	-64.7	53.0	46.7	-11.9	64.8	-5.1
Japan	15.9	20.5	28.9	56.0	50.8	-9.3	-40.1	-30.3
Kazakhstan	22.1	25.0	13.1	28.8	37.5	30.2	-6.7	-12.5
Korea, Republic of	109.3	87.9	-19.6	94.1	68.9	-26.8	15.2	19.0
Namibia	178.2	129.8	-27.2	0.0	0.4	0.0	178.2	129.4
Norway	24.2	25.7	6.2	4.9	12.1	146.9	19.3	13.6
Peru	1.8	9.2	411.1	83.8	6.2	-92.6	-82.0	3.0
Russian Federation	409.7	438.6	7.1	4164.8	3837.8	-7.9	-3755.1	-3399.2
Serbia	362.5	302.4	-16.6	187.1	192.1	2.7	175.4	110.3
Singapore	5.5	6.7	21.8	12.0	12.4	3.3	-6.5	-5.7
South Africa	41.4	217.6	425.6	30.0	21.6	-28.0	11.4	196.0
Switzerland	113.9	126.9	11.4	157.4	178.0	13.1	-43.5	-51.1
Syrian Arab Republic	22.9	42.0	83.4	26.7	18.9	-29.2	-3.8	23.1
Taiwan	19.6	23.0	17.3	62.2	53.1	-14.6	-42.6	-30.1
Turkey	1405.7	1693.8	20.5	904.0	1103.0	22.0	501.7	590.8
Ukraine	101.9	334.2	228.0	522.7	424.3	-18.8	-420.8	-90.1
United Arab Emirates	160.6	89.4	-44.3	61.0	42.8	-29.8	99.6	46.6
United States	179.6	272.2	51.6	141.1	142.1	0.7	38.5	130.1
Viet-Nam	8.0	11.6	45.0	25.9	25.0	-3.5	-17.9	-13.4

<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 10.07.2013.



**Table 4**

**Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with non EU countries by sections of SITC, rev. 4 for the period January - May 2012<sup>1</sup> and 2013<sup>1</sup>**

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2012	2013	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2012	2013	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2012	2013
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million `Levs	
<b>Third countries -total</b>	<b>6361.2</b>	<b>7173.1</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>8485.6</b>	<b>8306.0</b>	<b>-2.1</b>	<b>-2124.4</b>	<b>-1132.9</b>
Food and live animals	334.9	614.7	83.5	196.0	260.9	33.1	138.9	353.8
Beverages and tobacco	217.6	256.7	18.0	63.4	77.2	21.8	154.2	179.5
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	832.1	824.5	-0.9	735.6	803.4	9.2	96.5	21.1
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1755.7	2045.1	16.5	4265.6	3929.1	-7.9	-2509.9	-1884.0
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	33.1	27.2	-17.8	23.7	20.6	-13.1	9.4	6.6
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	720.2	715.3	-0.7	476.2	635.1	33.4	244.0	80.2
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1392.6	1365.9	-1.9	1173.7	1247.8	6.3	218.9	118.1
Machinery and transport equipment	674.4	918.9	36.3	1249.7	1005.6	-19.5	-575.3	-86.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	378.7	378.3	-0.1	294.5	314.3	6.7	84.2	64.0
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	21.9	26.5	21.0	7.2	12.0	66.7	14.7	14.5

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