

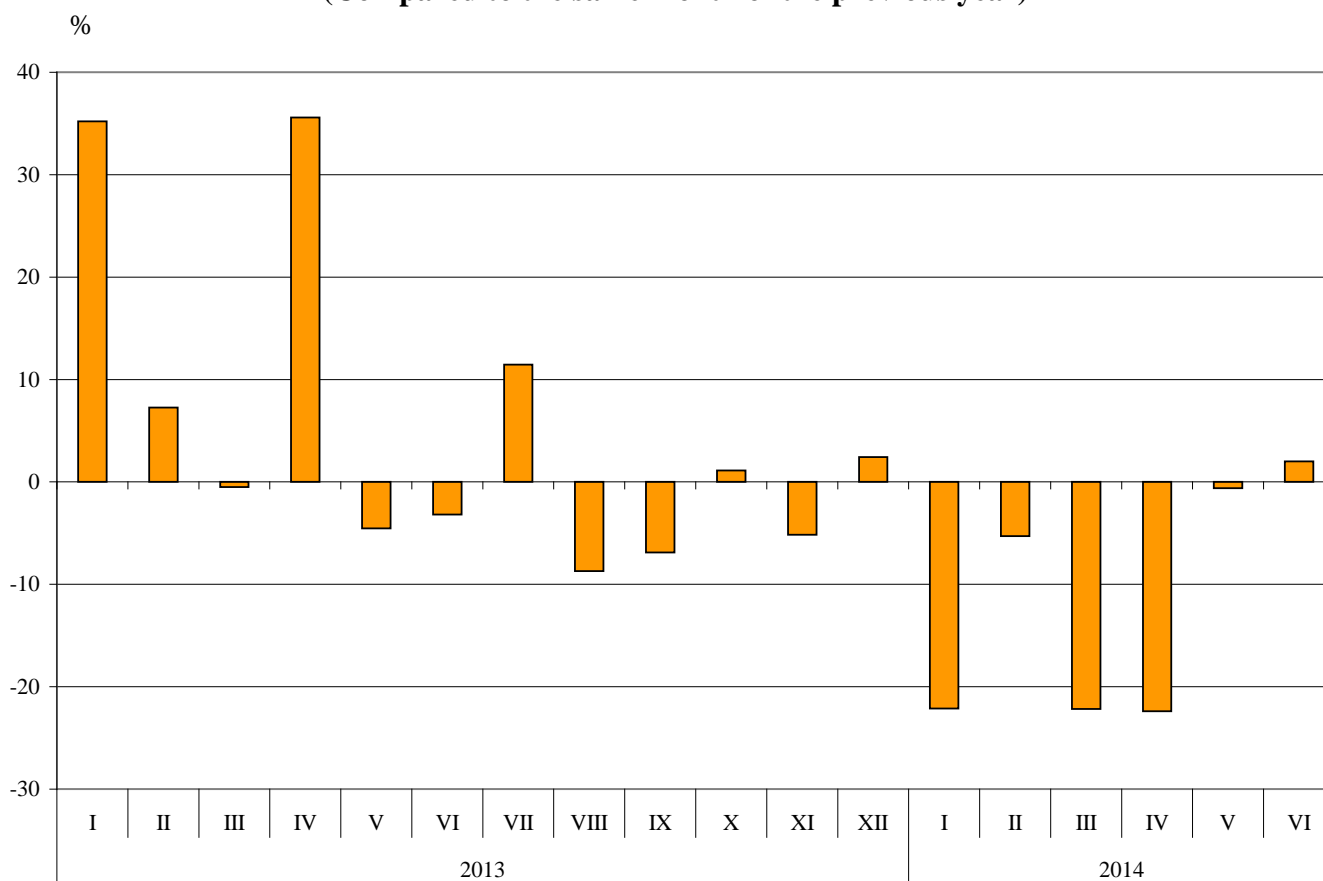


## BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - JUNE 2014 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - June 2014** Bulgarian **exports to third countries** decreased by 12.1% compared to the corresponding period of 2013 and amounted to 7.5 Billion BGN (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, Singapore, China, Russian Federation, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia which accounted for 54.9% of the exports to non EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

**In June 2014 exports to third countries** increased by 2.0% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.4 Billion BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of exports of Bulgaria to non EU countries  
for the period 2013 - 2014  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



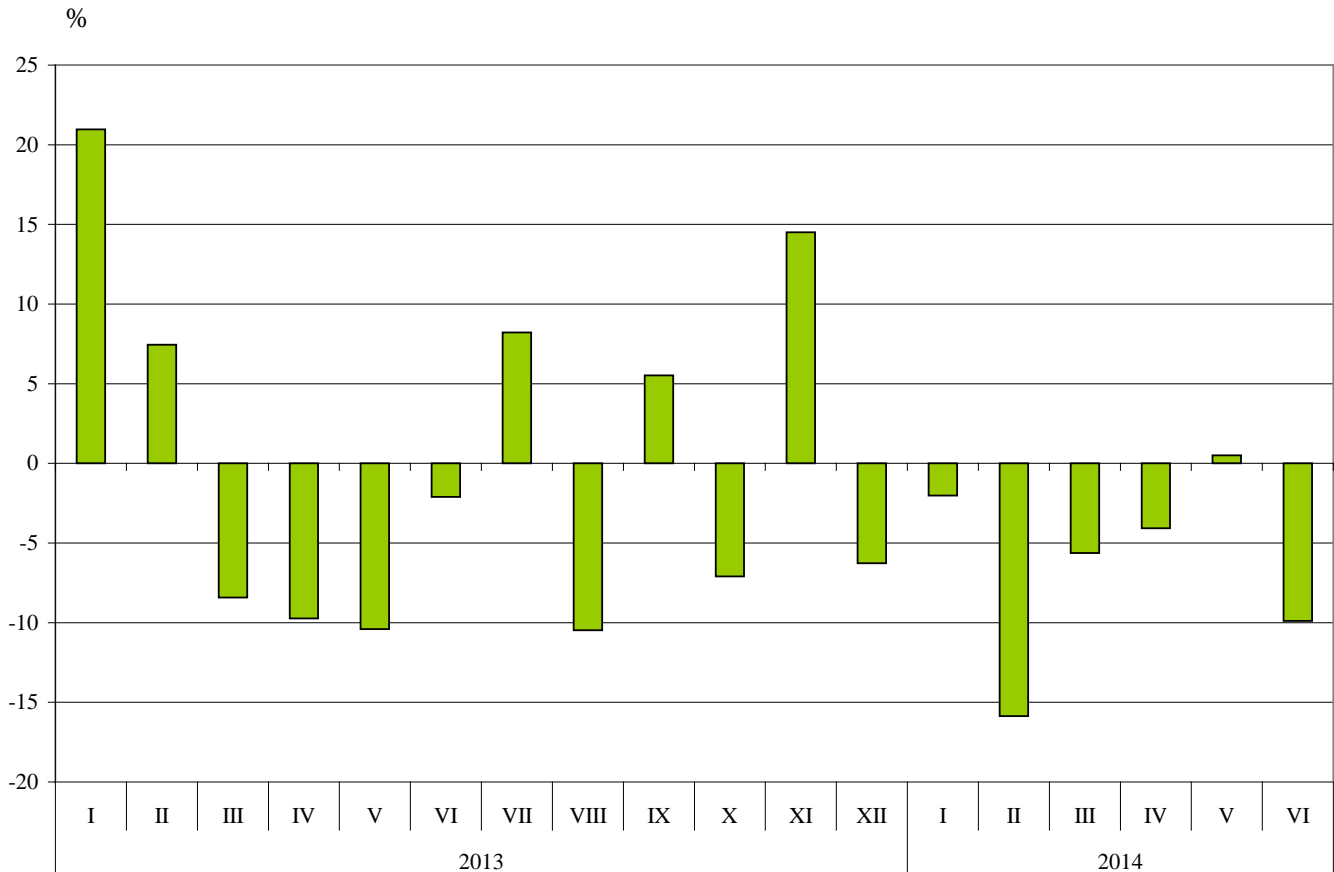
**Bulgarian imports from third countries in the first six months of 2014** decreased by 6.0% compared to the corresponding period of 2013 and added up to 9.4 Billion BGN (at CIF prices) (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from the Russian Federation, Turkey, China and Ukraine (Annex, Table 3).

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



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**In June 2014** Bulgarian imports from third countries decreased by 9.9% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.5 Billion BGN.

**Figure 2. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of imports of Bulgaria to non EU countries for the period 2013 - 2014**  
**(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 - June 2014 was negative and added up to 1 865.3 Million BGN (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 1 380.3 Million BGN.

**In June 2014** the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was negative and amounted to 98.4 Million BGN.

In the first six months of 2014 compared to the corresponding period of 2013 in the exports of Bulgaria to third countries distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification** the largest growth was recorded in the section “Miscellaneous manufactured articles.”<sup>2</sup> (7.6%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable falls were reported in sections “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”<sup>3</sup> (40.9%) and “Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes” (27.9%).

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

<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.

<sup>3</sup> 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.



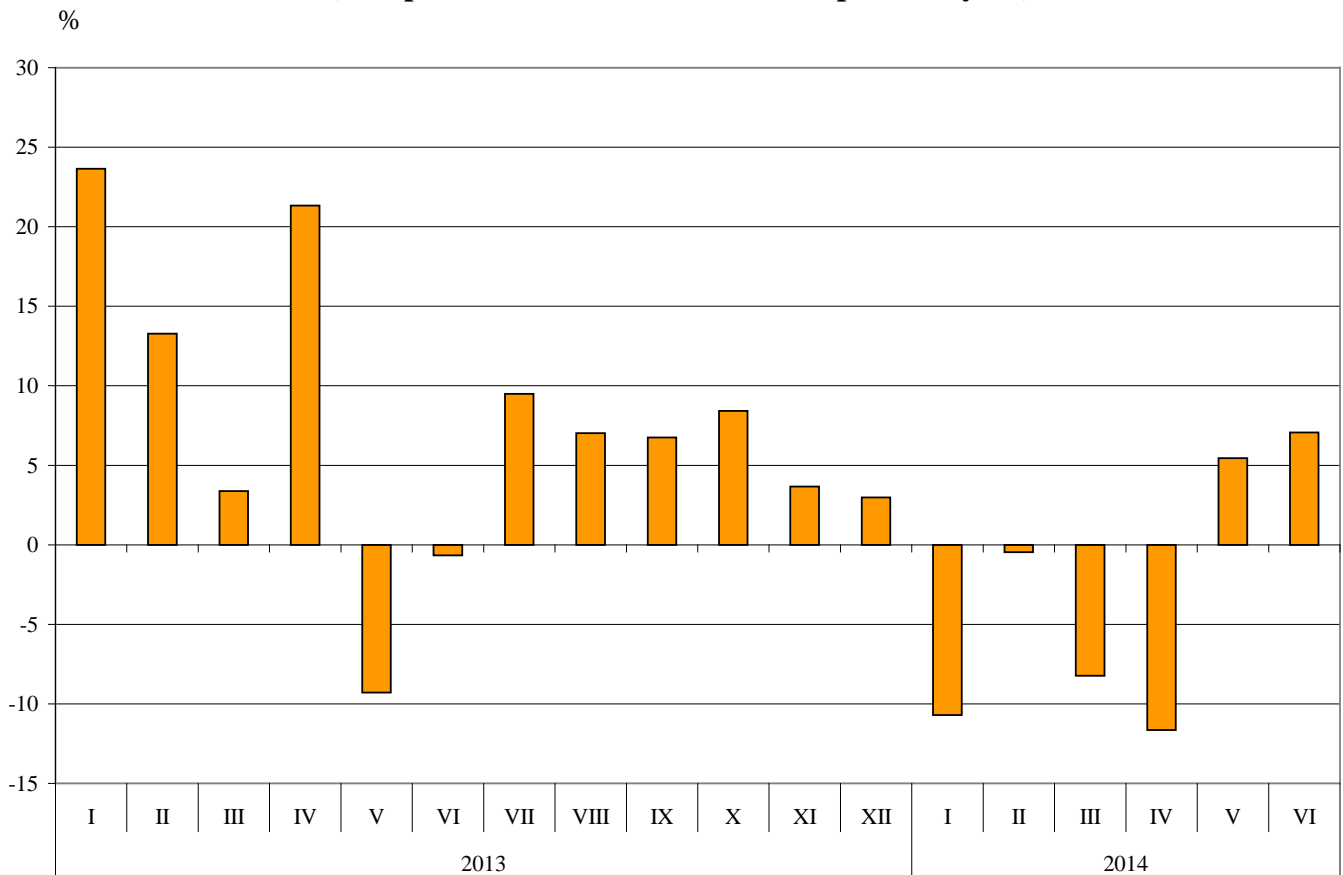
In imports from third countries the largest growth was reported in section “Miscellaneous manufactured articles” (20.9%) while the most notable fall was observed in section “Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials” (17.1%).

**Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU – total**

**In the period January - June 2014** the value of **all exported goods** from Bulgaria amounted to 20.1 Billion BGN and compared to the corresponding period of 2013 the exports decreased by 3.4% (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In **June** 2014 the total exports added up to 3.7 Billion BGN and increased by 7.1% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

**Figure 3. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of exports of Bulgaria for the period 2013 - 2014  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**

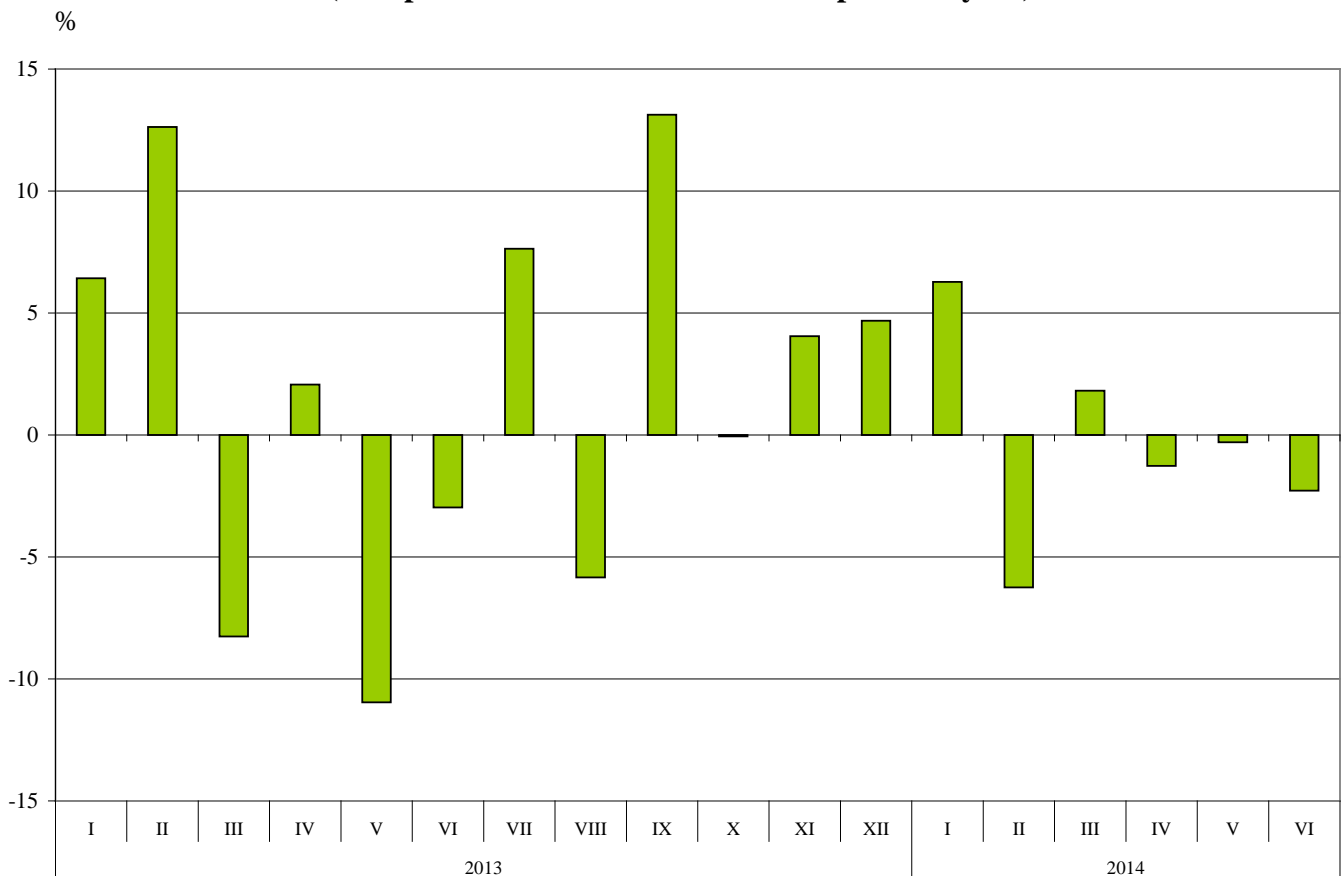


The total value of **all the goods imported** in the country **in the period January - June 2014** amounted to 24.3 Billion BGN (at CIF prices), or by 0.5 % less than corresponding period of 2013 (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

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

In **June** 2014 the total imports decreased by 2.3% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and added up to 4.1 Billion BGN.

**Figure 4. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of imports of Bulgaria for the period 2013 - 2014**  
(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 2014 and amounted to 4 182.1 Million BGN which was 583.9 Million BGN more than the balance in the first six months of 2013 (Annex, Table 1 and 2). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) in the period January - June 2014 the total foreign trade balance was also negative and amounted to 3006.2 Million BGN.

In June 2014 the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative and added up to 463.2 Million BGN. The trade balance at FOB/FOB prices was also negative and amounted to 252.8 Million BGN.

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

Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria for the period January - June 2013<sup>1</sup> and 2014<sup>1</sup> by months

(Million BGN)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB <sup>2</sup>			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB <sup>2</sup>		
	Total	EU <sup>3</sup>	Non EU <sup>4</sup>	Total	EU <sup>3</sup>	Non EU <sup>4</sup>	Total	EU <sup>3</sup>	Non EU <sup>4</sup>	Total	EU <sup>3</sup>	Non EU <sup>4</sup>	Total	EU <sup>3</sup>	Non EU <sup>4</sup>
I.2013	3474.6	2019.1	1455.5	3726.1	2067.6	1658.5	3540.1	1974.3	1565.8	-251.5	-48.5	-203.0	-65.5	44.8	-110.3
II.2013	3242.9	1952.2	1290.7	4058.3	2470.1	1588.2	3851.9	2350.6	1501.3	-815.4	-517.9	-297.5	-609.0	-398.4	-210.6
III.2013	3477.4	2173.7	1303.7	3859.9	2333.7	1526.2	3680.8	2232.6	1448.2	-382.5	-160.0	-222.5	-203.4	-58.9	-144.5
<b>I - III.2013</b>	<b>10194.9</b>	<b>6145.0</b>	<b>4049.9</b>	<b>11644.3</b>	<b>6871.4</b>	<b>4772.9</b>	<b>11072.8</b>	<b>6557.5</b>	<b>4515.3</b>	<b>-1449.4</b>	<b>-726.4</b>	<b>-723.0</b>	<b>-877.9</b>	<b>-412.5</b>	<b>-465.4</b>
IV.2013	3848.5	2192.5	1656.0	4365.8	2624.7	1741.1	4159.7	2503.1	1656.6	-517.3	-432.2	-85.1	-311.2	-310.6	-0.6
V.2013	3309.0	1879.3	1429.7	4137.6	2374.6	1763.0	3938.7	2269.0	1669.7	-828.6	-495.3	-333.3	-629.7	-389.7	-240.0
VI.2013	3439.5	2040.8	1398.7	4242.4	2549.9	1692.5	4037.1	2434.2	1602.9	-802.9	-509.1	-293.8	-597.6	-393.4	-204.2
<b>IV - VI.2013</b>	<b>10597.0</b>	<b>6112.6</b>	<b>4484.4</b>	<b>12745.8</b>	<b>7549.2</b>	<b>5196.6</b>	<b>12135.5</b>	<b>7206.3</b>	<b>4929.2</b>	<b>-2148.8</b>	<b>-1436.6</b>	<b>-712.2</b>	<b>-1538.5</b>	<b>-1093.7</b>	<b>-444.8</b>
<b>I - VI.2013</b>	<b>20791.9</b>	<b>12257.6</b>	<b>8534.3</b>	<b>24390.1</b>	<b>14420.6</b>	<b>9969.5</b>	<b>23208.3</b>	<b>13763.8</b>	<b>9444.5</b>	<b>-3598.2</b>	<b>-2163.0</b>	<b>-1435.2</b>	<b>-2416.4</b>	<b>-1506.2</b>	<b>-910.2</b>
I.2014	3102.9	1969.4	1133.5	3960.0	2335.0	1625.0	3764.0	2226.3	1537.7	-857.1	-365.6	-491.5	-661.1	-256.9	-404.2
II.2014	3227.8	2005.5	1222.3	3804.6	2468.3	1336.3	3621.0	2354.3	1266.7	-576.8	-462.8	-114.0	-393.2	-348.8	-44.4
III.2014	3191.2	2176.4	1014.8	3930.1	2489.7	1440.4	3751.6	2379.9	1371.7	-738.9	-313.3	-425.6	-560.4	-203.5	-356.9
<b>I - III.2014</b>	<b>9521.9</b>	<b>6151.3</b>	<b>3370.6</b>	<b>11694.7</b>	<b>7293.0</b>	<b>4401.7</b>	<b>11136.6</b>	<b>6960.5</b>	<b>4176.1</b>	<b>-2172.8</b>	<b>-1141.7</b>	<b>-1031.1</b>	<b>-1614.7</b>	<b>-809.2</b>	<b>-805.5</b>
IV.2014	3400.4	2115.3	1285.1	4310.5	2640.4	1670.1	4102.9	2519.0	1583.9	-910.1	-525.1	-385.0	-702.5	-403.7	-298.8
V.2014	3489.2	2068.2	1421.0	4125.2	2353.4	1771.8	3925.4	2247.4	1678.0	-636.0	-285.2	-350.8	-436.2	-179.2	-257.0
VI.2014	3682.4	2255.8	1426.6	4145.6	2620.6	1525.0	3935.2	2489.6	1445.6	-463.2	-364.8	-98.4	-252.8	-233.8	-19.0
<b>IV - VI.2014</b>	<b>10572.0</b>	<b>6439.3</b>	<b>4132.7</b>	<b>12581.3</b>	<b>7614.4</b>	<b>4966.9</b>	<b>11963.5</b>	<b>7256.0</b>	<b>4707.5</b>	<b>-2009.3</b>	<b>-1175.1</b>	<b>-834.2</b>	<b>-1391.5</b>	<b>-816.7</b>	<b>-574.8</b>
<b>I - VI.2014</b>	<b>20093.9</b>	<b>12590.6</b>	<b>7503.3</b>	<b>24276.0</b>	<b>14907.4</b>	<b>9368.6</b>	<b>23100.1</b>	<b>14216.5</b>	<b>8883.6</b>	<b>-4182.1</b>	<b>-2316.8</b>	<b>-1865.3</b>	<b>-3006.2</b>	<b>-1625.9</b>	<b>-1380.3</b>

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2014.

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

<sup>3</sup> EU including Croatia also for the periods prior 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2013.

<sup>4</sup> Non EU excluding Croatia also for the periods prior 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2013.



**Table 2**

**Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria for the period January - June 2014<sup>1</sup> compared to the same period of the previous year**

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU <sup>2</sup>	Non EU <sup>3</sup>	Total	EU <sup>2</sup>	Non EU <sup>3</sup>	Total	EU <sup>2</sup>	Non EU <sup>3</sup>
I	-10.7	-2.5	-22.1	6.3	12.9	-2.0	6.3	12.8	-1.8
II	-0.5	2.7	-5.3	-6.3	-0.1	-15.9	-6.0	0.2	-15.6
III	-8.2	0.1	-22.2	1.8	6.7	-5.6	1.9	6.6	-5.3
<b>I - III</b>	<b>-6.6</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-16.8</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>-7.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>-7.5</b>
IV	-11.6	-3.5	-22.4	-1.3	0.6	-4.1	-1.4	0.6	-4.4
V	5.4	10.1	-0.6	-0.3	-0.9	0.5	-0.3	-1.0	0.5
VI	7.1	10.5	2.0	-2.3	2.8	-9.9	-2.5	2.3	-9.8
<b>IV -VI</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>-7.8</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>-4.5</b>
<b>I - VI</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>-12.1</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>-6.0</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>-5.9</b>

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<sup>3</sup> Non EU excluding Croatia also for the periods prior 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2013.



**Table 3**

**Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with main non EU partner countries<sup>1</sup> for the period January - June 2013<sup>2</sup> and 2014<sup>2</sup>**

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2013	2014	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2013	2014	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2013	2014
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
<b>Third countries<sup>3</sup> -total</b>	<b>8534.3</b>	<b>7503.3</b>	<b>-12.1</b>	<b>9969.5</b>	<b>9368.6</b>	<b>-6.0</b>	<b>-1435.2</b>	<b>-1865.3</b>
of which:								
Albania	50.3	49.2	-2.2	15.9	15.4	-3.1	34.4	33.8
Bosnia and Herzegovina	37.3	38.1	2.1	26.4	30.6	15.9	10.9	7.5
Brazil	11.2	14.1	25.9	40.1	55.4	38.2	-28.9	-41.3
Canada	108.9	30.5	-72.0	15.8	22.9	44.9	93.1	7.6
China	517.2	502.8	-2.8	747.7	814.9	9.0	-230.5	-312.1
Egypt	183.5	183.6	0.1	38.3	204.8	434.7	145.2	-21.2
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	327.3	321.4	-1.8	275.2	245.5	-10.8	52.1	75.9
Georgia	176.9	190.1	7.5	237.2	181.9	-23.3	-60.3	8.2
Gibraltar	709.3	119.9	-83.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	709.3	119.9
India	27.4	41.9	52.9	110.9	100.9	-9.0	-83.5	-59.0
Indonesia	18.6	17.5	-5.9	26.3	26.5	0.8	-7.7	-9.0
Iran, Islamic Republic of	11.9	61.3	415.1	2.0	2.9	45.0	9.9	58.4
Israel	88.6	83.8	-5.4	52.7	72.9	38.3	35.9	10.9
Japan	26.6	24.8	-6.8	61.0	90.0	47.5	-34.4	-65.2
Kazakhstan	29.5	26.4	-10.5	43.1	41.6	-3.5	-13.6	-15.2
Korea, Republic of	103.2	59.7	-42.2	83.3	77.5	-7.0	19.9	-17.8
Libya	132.7	88.2	-33.5	0.2	85.3	42550.0	132.5	2.9
Morocco	94.0	99.7	6.1	21.3	32.5	52.6	72.7	67.2
Namibia	159.0	56.7	-64.3	0.4	0.0	-100.0	158.6	56.7
Norway	30.6	29.2	-4.6	16.4	18.5	12.8	14.2	10.7
Peru	9.9	4.6	-53.5	6.3	20.3	222.2	3.6	-15.7
Russian Federation	529.1	495.8	-6.3	4672.1	3435.8	-26.5	-4143.0	-2940.0
Serbia	357.1	306.2	-14.3	233.9	301.6	28.9	123.2	4.6
Singapore	8.9	538.7	5952.8	13.9	17.4	25.2	-5.0	521.3
South Africa	220.8	35.0	-84.1	26.1	25.2	-3.4	194.7	9.8
Switzerland	148.8	123.5	-17.0	210.8	172.8	-18.0	-62.0	-49.3
Syrian Arab Republic	54.3	80.3	47.9	20.2	20.9	3.5	34.1	59.4
Taiwan	26.1	18.2	-30.3	61.8	71.1	15.0	-35.7	-52.9
Turkey	2081.4	1953.3	-6.2	1410.7	1473.9	4.5	670.7	479.4
Ukraine	357.1	113.4	-68.2	497.1	605.1	21.7	-140.0	-491.7
United Arab Emirates	129.1	278.0	115.3	49.3	38.5	-21.9	79.8	239.5
United States	312.2	291.2	-6.7	170.7	297.5	74.3	141.5	-6.3
Viet-Nam	14.6	17.5	19.9	29.2	44.5	52.4	-14.6	-27.0

<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 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2014.

<sup>3</sup> Non EU excluding Croatia.



**Table 4**

**Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with non EU countries by sections of SITC, rev.4 for the period January - June 2013<sup>1</sup> and 2014<sup>1</sup>**

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2013	2014	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2013	2014	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2013	2014
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
<b>Third countries<sup>2</sup> - total</b>	<b>8534.3</b>	<b>7503.3</b>	<b>-12.1</b>	<b>9969.5</b>	<b>9368.6</b>	<b>-6.0</b>	<b>-1435.2</b>	<b>-1865.3</b>
Food and live animals	696.8	569.6	-18.3	311.5	295.6	-5.1	385.3	274.0
Beverages and tobacco	305.1	270.5	-11.3	89.8	104.5	16.4	215.3	166.0
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	993.1	587.1	-40.9	892.9	882.5	-1.2	100.2	-295.4
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	2457.7	1994.5	-18.8	4863.8	4031.1	-17.1	-2406.1	-2036.6
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	31.9	23.0	-27.9	22.5	20.8	-7.6	9.4	2.2
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	828.9	887.8	7.1	725.9	724.9	-0.1	103.0	162.9
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1617.4	1563.8	-3.3	1485.8	1495.2	0.6	131.6	68.6
Machinery and transport equipment	1105.3	1087.4	-1.6	1183.9	1338.1	13.0	-78.6	-250.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	464.5	499.8	7.6	379.2	458.5	20.9	85.3	41.3
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	33.6	19.8	-41.1	14.2	17.4	22.5	19.4	2.4

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<sup>2</sup> Non EU excluding Croatia.