

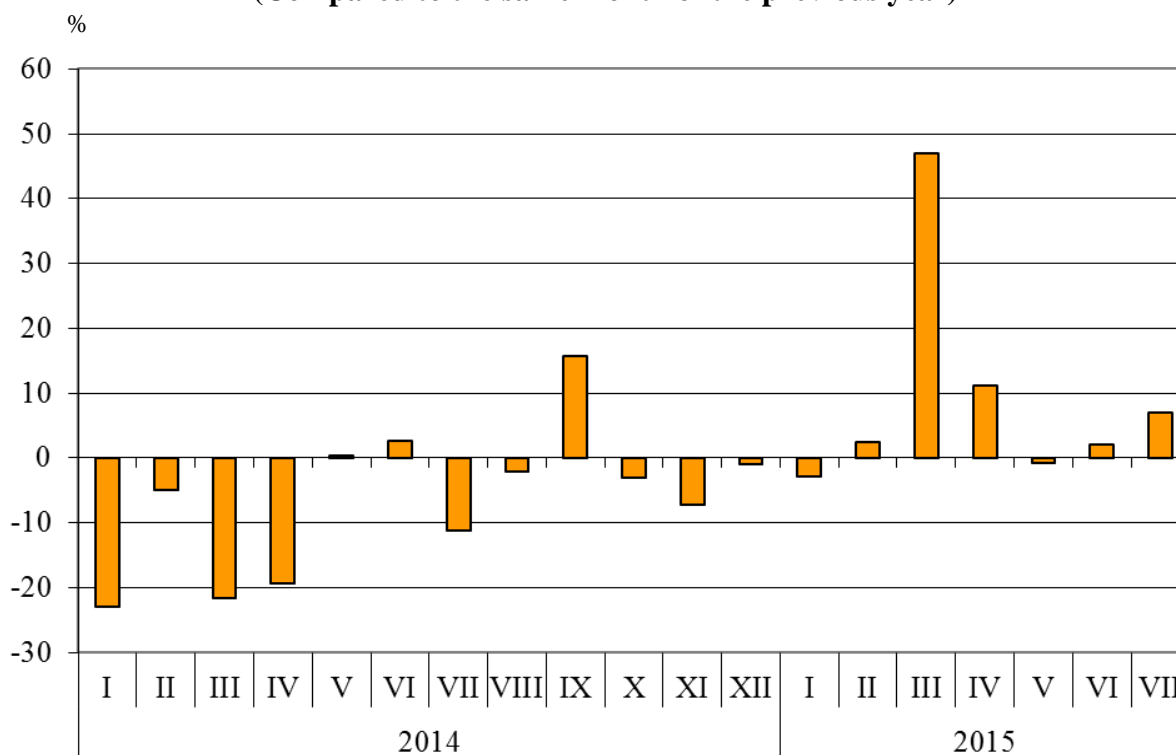


**BULGARIAN TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES IN THE PERIOD  
JANUARY - JULY 2015  
(PRELIMINARY DATA)**

In the **January - July 2015** period Bulgarian **exports to third countries** increased by 8.3% compared to the corresponding period of 2014 and amounted to 9.7 Billion BGN (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, China, Singapore, Serbia, Russian Federation, USA and Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, which accounted for 55.4% of the exports to non EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

**In July 2015 exports to third countries** increased by 7.1% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.5 Billion BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of exports of Bulgaria to non-EU countries  
in the period 2014 - 2015  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



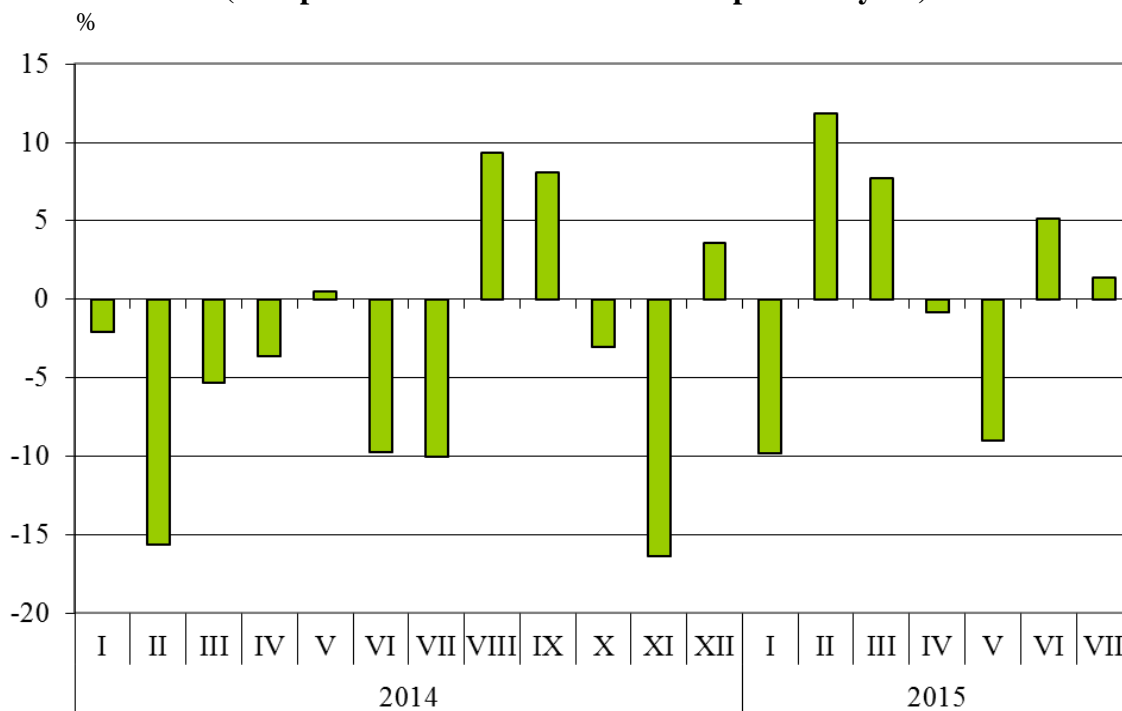
**Bulgarian imports from third countries in the first seven months of 2015** increased by 0.3% compared to the corresponding period of 2014 and added up to 11.0 Billion BGN (at CIF prices) (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from the Russian Federation, Turkey, China and Ukraine (Annex, Table 3).

**In July 2015** Bulgarian imports from third countries increased by 1.4% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1.7 Billion BGN.

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



**Figure 2. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of imports of Bulgaria to non EU countries  
 in the period 2014 - 2015  
 (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 - July 2015 was negative and added up to 1 309.8 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 534.5 Million BGN.

**In July 2015** the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was negative and amounted to 182.1 Million BGN.

In the first seven months of 2015 compared to the corresponding period of 2014 in the exports of Bulgaria to third countries distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification** the largest growth were recorded in the section 'Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes' (240.0%) and 'Miscellaneous manufactured articles'<sup>2</sup> (42.2%) (Annex, Table 4). A fall was reported in section 'Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials' (10.4%).

In imports from third countries the largest growths were reported in sections 'Food and live animals' (32.5%) and 'Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)'<sup>3</sup> (23.6%) while the most notable fall was observed in section 'Beverages and tobacco' (23.9%).

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

<sup>2</sup> The section includes the following divisions: Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lightning fixtures and fittings, 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, Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks, Miscellaneous manufactured articles, 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.

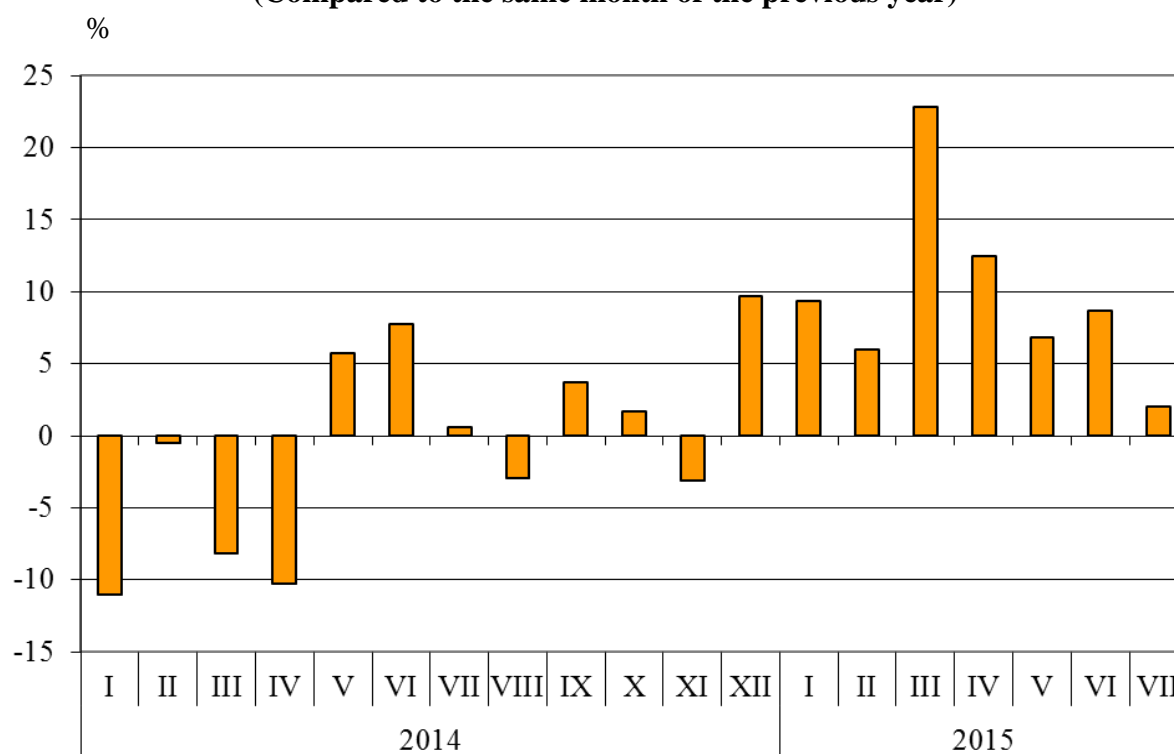


## Bulgarian trade with third countries and EU - total

In the period **January - July 2015** the value of **all exported goods** from Bulgaria amounted to 26.5 Billion BGN and compared to the corresponding period of 2014 the exports increased by 9.4% (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In July 2015 the total exports added up to 4.1 Billion BGN and increased by 2.0% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

**Figure 3. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of exports of Bulgaria in the period 2014 - 2015  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



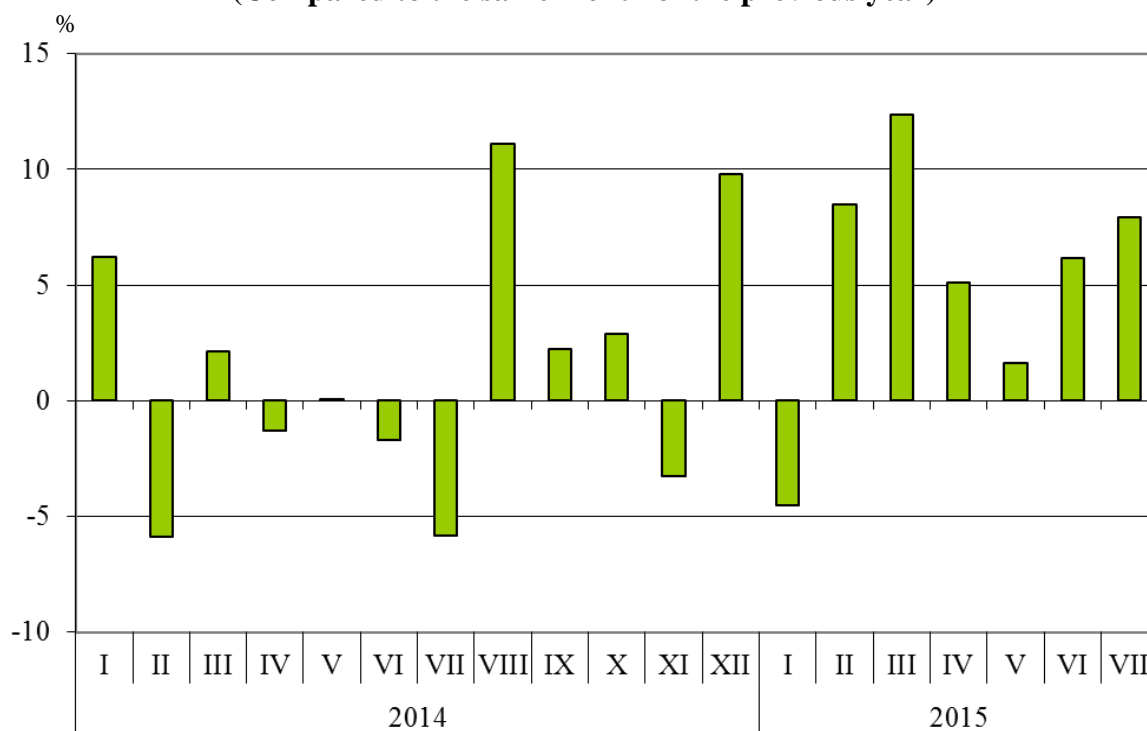
The total value of **all the goods imported** in the country **in the period January - July 2015** amounted to 30.2 Billion BGN (at CIF prices), or by 5.3% more than the corresponding period of 2014 (Annex, Table 1 and 2).

In July 2015 the total imports increased by 7.9% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and added up to 4.7 Billion BGN.

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



**Figure 4. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of imports of Bulgaria in the period 2014 - 2015  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



The **total foreign trade balance** (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative in the period January - July 2015 and amounted to 3 719.1 Million BGN which was 760.1 Million BGN less than the balance in the first seven months of 2014 (Annex, Table 1 and 2). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) in the period January - July 2015 the total foreign trade balance was also negative and amounted to 1 707.5 Million BGN.

In July 2015 the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative and added up to 647.8 Million BGN. The trade balance at FOB/FOB prices was also negative and amounted to 375.5 Million BGN.

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

Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period January - July 2014 and 2015<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	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2014	3099.1	1970.5	1128.6	3955.8	2333.1	1622.7	3677.7	2172.5	1505.2	-856.7	-362.6	-494.1	-578.6	-202.0	-376.6
II.2014	3226.8	2001.1	1225.7	3795.4	2466.6	1328.8	3535.1	2306.6	1228.5	-568.6	-465.5	-103.1	-308.3	-305.5	-2.8
III.2014	3193.6	2171.8	1021.8	3935.8	2497.8	1438.0	3687.1	2341.3	1345.8	-742.2	-326.0	-416.2	-493.5	-169.5	-324.0
<b>I - III.2014</b>	<b>9519.5</b>	<b>6143.4</b>	<b>3376.1</b>	<b>11687.0</b>	<b>7297.5</b>	<b>4389.5</b>	<b>10899.9</b>	<b>6820.4</b>	<b>4079.5</b>	<b>-2167.5</b>	<b>-1154.1</b>	<b>-1013.4</b>	<b>-1380.4</b>	<b>-677.0</b>	<b>-703.4</b>
IV.2014	3468.6	2117.6	1351.0	4303.1	2630.3	1672.8	4017.5	2455.1	1562.4	-834.5	-512.7	-321.8	-548.9	-337.5	-211.4
V.2014	3499.0	2065.0	1434.0	4132.0	2366.2	1765.8	3856.8	2213.1	1643.7	-633.0	-301.2	-331.8	-357.8	-148.1	-209.7
VI.2014	3704.8	2271.5	1433.3	4168.0	2641.9	1526.1	3881.1	2464.1	1417.0	-463.2	-370.4	-92.8	-176.3	-192.6	16.3
<b>IV - VI.2014</b>	<b>10672.4</b>	<b>6454.1</b>	<b>4218.3</b>	<b>12603.1</b>	<b>7638.4</b>	<b>4964.7</b>	<b>11755.4</b>	<b>7132.3</b>	<b>4623.1</b>	<b>-1930.7</b>	<b>-1184.3</b>	<b>-746.4</b>	<b>-1083.0</b>	<b>-678.2</b>	<b>-404.8</b>
<b>I - VI.2014</b>	<b>20191.9</b>	<b>12597.5</b>	<b>7594.4</b>	<b>24290.1</b>	<b>14935.9</b>	<b>9354.2</b>	<b>22655.3</b>	<b>13952.7</b>	<b>8702.6</b>	<b>-4098.2</b>	<b>-2338.4</b>	<b>-1759.8</b>	<b>-2463.4</b>	<b>-1355.2</b>	<b>-1108.2</b>
VII.2014	4016.0	2636.7	1379.3	4397.0	2760.6	1636.4	4100.4	2576.8	1523.6	-381.0	-123.9	-257.1	-84.4	59.9	-144.3
<b>I - VII.2014</b>	<b>24207.9</b>	<b>15234.2</b>	<b>8973.7</b>	<b>28687.1</b>	<b>17696.5</b>	<b>10990.6</b>	<b>26755.7</b>	<b>16529.5</b>	<b>10226.2</b>	<b>-4479.2</b>	<b>-2462.3</b>	<b>-2016.9</b>	<b>-2547.8</b>	<b>-1295.3</b>	<b>-1252.5</b>
I.2015	3389.2	2292.5	1096.7	3776.2	2312.2	1464.0	3499.1	2147.7	1351.4	-387.0	-19.7	-367.3	-109.9	144.8	-254.7
II.2015	3419.5	2162.9	1256.6	4118.0	2631.8	1486.2	3831.2	2453.7	1377.5	-698.5	-468.9	-229.6	-411.7	-290.8	-120.9
III.2015	3921.8	2420.8	1501.0	4423.3	2873.9	1549.4	4134.3	2687.0	1447.3	-501.5	-453.1	-48.4	-212.5	-266.2	53.7
<b>I - III.2015</b>	<b>10730.5</b>	<b>6876.2</b>	<b>3854.3</b>	<b>12317.5</b>	<b>7817.9</b>	<b>4499.6</b>	<b>11464.6</b>	<b>7288.4</b>	<b>4176.2</b>	<b>-1587.0</b>	<b>-941.7</b>	<b>-645.3</b>	<b>-734.1</b>	<b>-412.2</b>	<b>-321.9</b>
IV.2015	3899.9	2399.4	1500.5	4523.0	2864.6	1658.4	4203.4	2662.5	1540.9	-623.1	-465.2	-157.9	-303.5	-263.1	-40.4
V.2015	3737.1	2313.2	1423.9	4200.3	2592.9	1607.4	3922.3	2424.4	1497.9	-463.2	-279.7	-183.5	-185.2	-111.2	-74.0
VI.2015	4027.8	2564.7	1463.1	4425.8	2821.7	1604.1	4137.0	2639.9	1497.1	-398.0	-257.0	-141.0	-109.2	-75.2	-34.0
<b>IV - VI.2015</b>	<b>11664.8</b>	<b>7277.3</b>	<b>4387.5</b>	<b>13149.1</b>	<b>8279.2</b>	<b>4869.9</b>	<b>12262.7</b>	<b>7726.8</b>	<b>4535.9</b>	<b>-1484.3</b>	<b>-1001.9</b>	<b>-482.4</b>	<b>-597.9</b>	<b>-449.5</b>	<b>-148.4</b>
<b>I - VI.2015</b>	<b>22395.3</b>	<b>14153.5</b>	<b>8241.8</b>	<b>25466.6</b>	<b>16097.1</b>	<b>9369.5</b>	<b>23727.3</b>	<b>15015.2</b>	<b>8712.1</b>	<b>-3071.3</b>	<b>-1943.6</b>	<b>-1127.7</b>	<b>-1332.0</b>	<b>-861.7</b>	<b>-470.3</b>
VII.2015	4097.1	2620.2	1476.9	4744.9	3085.9	1659.0	4472.6	2931.5	1541.1	-647.8	-465.7	-182.1	-375.5	-311.3	-64.2
<b>I - VII.2015</b>	<b>26492.4</b>	<b>16773.7</b>	<b>9718.7</b>	<b>30211.5</b>	<b>19183.0</b>	<b>11028.5</b>	<b>28199.9</b>	<b>17946.7</b>	<b>10253.2</b>	<b>-3719.1</b>	<b>-2409.3</b>	<b>-1309.8</b>	<b>-1707.5</b>	<b>-1173.0</b>	<b>-534.5</b>

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 11-th September 2015.

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

Table 2

Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria in the period January - July 2015<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	9.4	16.3	-2.8	-4.5	-0.9	-9.8	-4.9	-1.1	-10.2
II	6.0	8.1	2.5	8.5	6.7	11.8	8.4	6.4	12.1
III	22.8	11.5	46.9	12.4	15.1	7.7	12.1	14.8	7.5
<b>I - III</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>2.4</b>
IV	12.4	13.3	11.1	5.1	8.9	-0.9	4.6	8.4	-1.4
V	6.8	12.0	-0.7	1.7	9.6	-9.0	1.7	9.5	-8.9
VI	8.7	12.9	2.1	6.2	6.8	5.1	6.6	7.1	5.7
<b>IV - VI</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>-1.9</b>
<b>I - VI</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>0.1</b>
VII	2.0	-0.6	7.1	7.9	11.8	1.4	9.1	13.8	1.1
<b>I - VII</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 11th September 2015.



**Table 3**

**Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with main non EU partner countries<sup>1</sup> in the period  
January - July 2014 and 2015<sup>2</sup>**

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2014	2015	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2014	2015	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2014	2015
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
<b>Third countries - total</b>	<b>8973.7</b>	<b>9718.7</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>10990.6</b>	<b>11028.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>-2016.9</b>	<b>-1309.8</b>
of which:								
Albania	60.0	68.2	13.7	17.8	20.5	15.2	42.2	47.7
Bosnia and Herzegovina	44.9	71.8	59.9	38.1	36.7	-3.7	6.8	35.1
Brazil	16.3	26.7	63.8	60.1	44.8	-25.5	-43.8	-18.1
Canada	36.4	50.0	37.4	25.2	34.2	35.7	11.2	15.8
China	577.9	656.7	13.6	963.8	1118.4	16.0	-385.9	-461.7
Egypt	212.9	364.9	71.4	209.1	96.6	-53.8	3.8	268.3
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	396.5	426.2	7.5	293.0	304.6	4.0	103.5	121.6
Georgia	217.8	178.4	-18.1	196.6	300.1	52.6	21.2	-121.7
Gibraltar	133.2	24.8	-81.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	133.2	24.8
India	48.5	65.3	34.6	116.2	163.8	41.0	-67.7	-98.5
Indonesia	25.3	30.6	20.9	33.6	38.0	13.1	-8.3	-7.4
Iran, Islamic Republic of	84.4	192.7	128.3	3.7	6.1	64.9	80.7	186.6
Israel	147.0	66.4	-54.8	84.8	50.3	-40.7	62.2	16.1
Japan	30.3	46.0	51.8	99.7	86.4	-13.3	-69.4	-40.4
Kazakhstan	30.5	24.5	-19.7	45.3	29.0	-36.0	-14.8	-4.5
Korea, Republic of	76.2	77.2	1.3	94.0	93.1	-1.0	-17.8	-15.9
Libya	111.7	89.9	-19.5	129.8	124.8	-3.9	-18.1	-34.9
Morocco	104.8	62.3	-40.6	38.1	94.6	148.3	66.7	-32.3
Namibia	77.9	103.3	32.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	77.9	103.3
Norway	34.7	35.8	3.2	20.1	19.8	-1.5	14.6	16.0
Peru	4.8	3.5	-27.1	21.4	14.5	-32.2	-16.6	-11.0
Russian Federation	579.7	463.2	-20.1	4093.8	3705.9	-9.5	-3514.1	-3242.7
Serbia	396.6	479.0	20.8	358.1	412.3	15.1	38.5	66.7
Singapore	644.6	488.0	-24.3	19.7	27.1	37.6	624.9	460.9
South Africa	38.5	59.8	55.3	29.5	13.7	-53.6	9.0	46.1
Switzerland	143.3	138.7	-3.2	202.9	220.9	8.9	-59.6	-82.2
Syrian Arab Republic	83.5	37.6	-55.0	22.8	14.6	-36.0	60.7	23.0
Taiwan	21.9	27.8	26.9	86.0	142.5	65.7	-64.1	-114.7
Turkey	2285.2	2434.6	6.5	1706.7	1731.7	1.5	578.5	702.9
Ukraine	138.4	241.8	74.7	707.8	547.8	-22.6	-569.4	-306.0
United Arab Emirates	310.7	255.7	-17.7	44.7	117.1	162.0	266.0	138.6
United States	348.3	439.1	26.1	335.2	287.9	-14.1	13.1	151.2
Viet-Nam	20.1	24.2	20.4	51.4	59.1	15.0	-31.3	-34.9

<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 11th September 2015.

„0” - figure less than half the unit used.



**Table 4**

**Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with non EU countries by sections of SITC, rev.4  
in the period January - July 2014 and 2015<sup>1</sup>**

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2014	2015	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2014	2015	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2014	2015
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
<b>Third countries - total</b>	<b>8973.7</b>	<b>9718.7</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>10990.6</b>	<b>11028.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>-2016.9</b>	<b>-1309.8</b>
Food and live animals	724.9	932.7	28.7	341.0	451.8	32.5	383.9	480.9
Beverages and tobacco	318.4	322.3	1.2	126.6	96.3	-23.9	191.8	226.0
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	678.6	711.8	4.9	994.2	1228.5	23.6	-315.6	-516.7
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	2390.7	2142.9	-10.4	4683.7	4109.2	-12.3	-2293.0	-1966.3
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	26.0	88.4	240.0	24.4	28.9	18.4	1.6	59.5
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	1037.7	1168.9	12.6	859.0	951.6	10.8	178.7	217.3
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1862.2	1897.0	1.9	1782.2	1906.2	7.0	80.0	-9.2
Machinery and transport equipment	1281.7	1537.1	19.9	1608.4	1631.0	1.4	-326.7	-93.9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	631.1	897.2	42.2	548.9	608.2	10.8	82.2	289.0
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	22.4	20.4	-8.9	22.2	16.8	-24.3	0.2	3.6

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of 11th September 2015.