

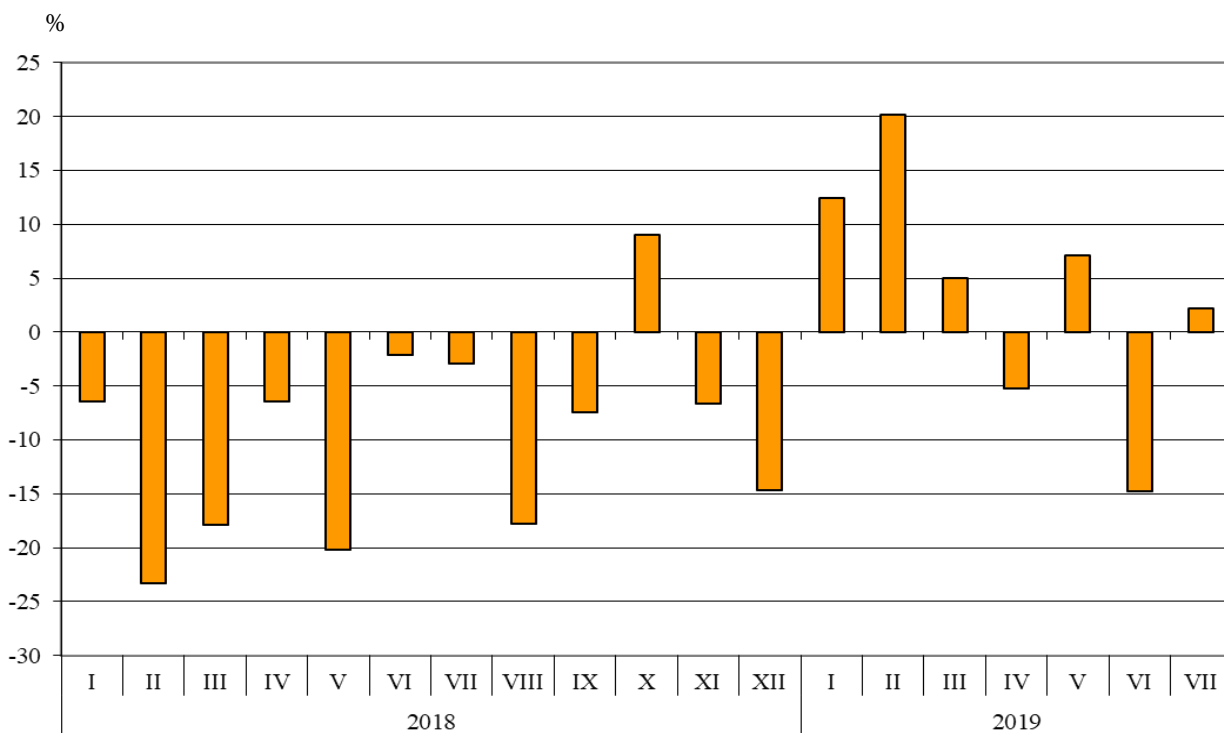


TRADE IN GOODS OF BULGARIA WITH THIRD COUNTRIES IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - JULY 2019 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period January - July 2019 the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries increased by 3.0% in comparison with the same period of the previous year and added up to 10 510.3 Million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, China, Serbia, the Russian Federation, the United States and the Republic of North Macedonia which accounted for 50.3% of the exports to non EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

In July 2019 the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries increased by 2.2% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1 682.9 Million BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value¹ change of exports of goods of Bulgaria to non EU countries
in the period 2018 - 2019
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



In the period January - July 2019 in the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the most notable growths compared to the same period of the previous year were recorded in sections 'Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials' (30.4%) and 'Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes' (24.0%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable fall was reported in section 'Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material'² (16.8%).

¹ Value changes at current prices.

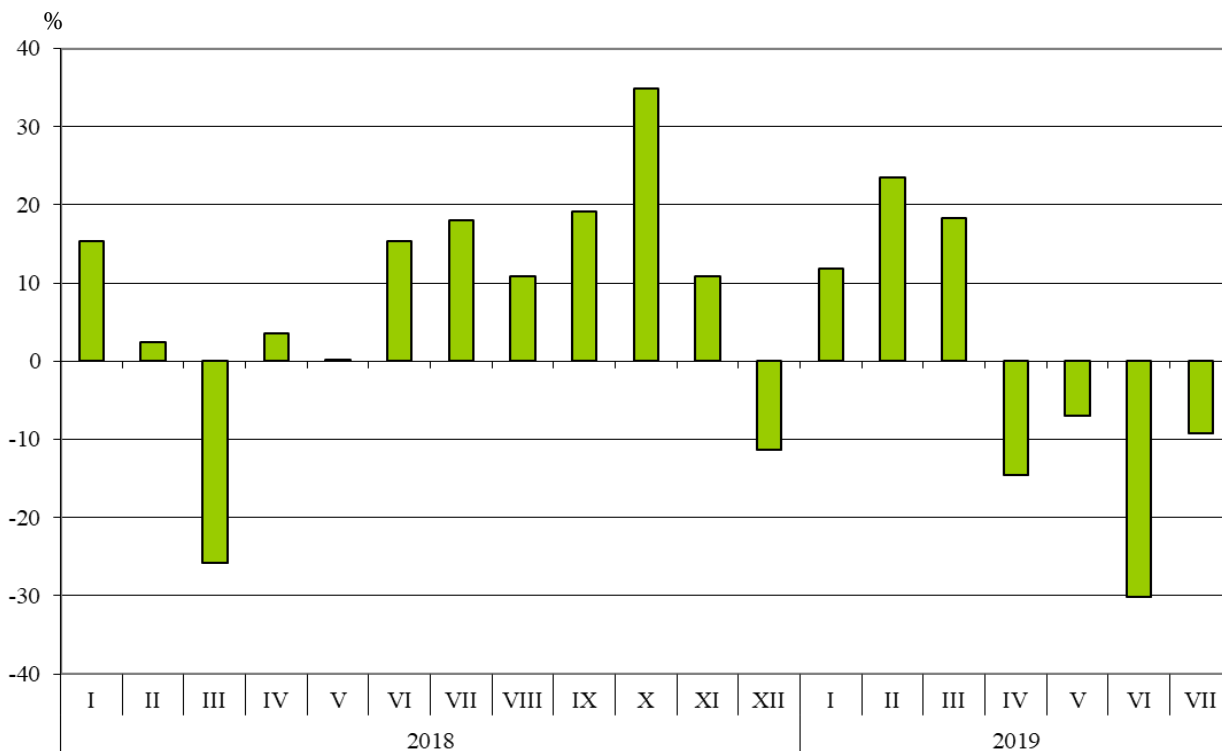
² The section includes the following divisions: leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s., and dressed furskins; rubber manufactures, n.e.s.; cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture); paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard; textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products; non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.; iron and steel; non-ferrous metals.



Imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries in the period January - July 2019 decreased by 2.6% in comparison with same period of 2018 and added up to 12 265.3 Million BGN (at CIF prices)¹ (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from the Russian Federation, Turkey, China and Serbia (Annex, Table 3).

In **July 2019** the imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries decreased by 9.3% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1 843.6 Million BGN.

Figure 2. Nominal value² change of imports of goods of Bulgaria from non EU countries in the period 2018 - 2019 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)



In the period January - July 2019 in the imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the largest growths compared to the same period of the previous year were recorded in the section ‘Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes’ (27.9%) and ‘Food and live animals’ (24.0%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable fall was observed in sector ‘Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials’ (19.4%).

The foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries in the period January - July 2019 was negative and added up to 1 755.0 Million BGN (Annex, Table 1).

In July 2019 the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was negative and amounted to 160.7 Million BGN.

¹ Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB (<http://bnb.bg/Statistics/StExternalSector/StForeignTrade/StFTImports/index.htm?toLang= EN&toLang= EN>).

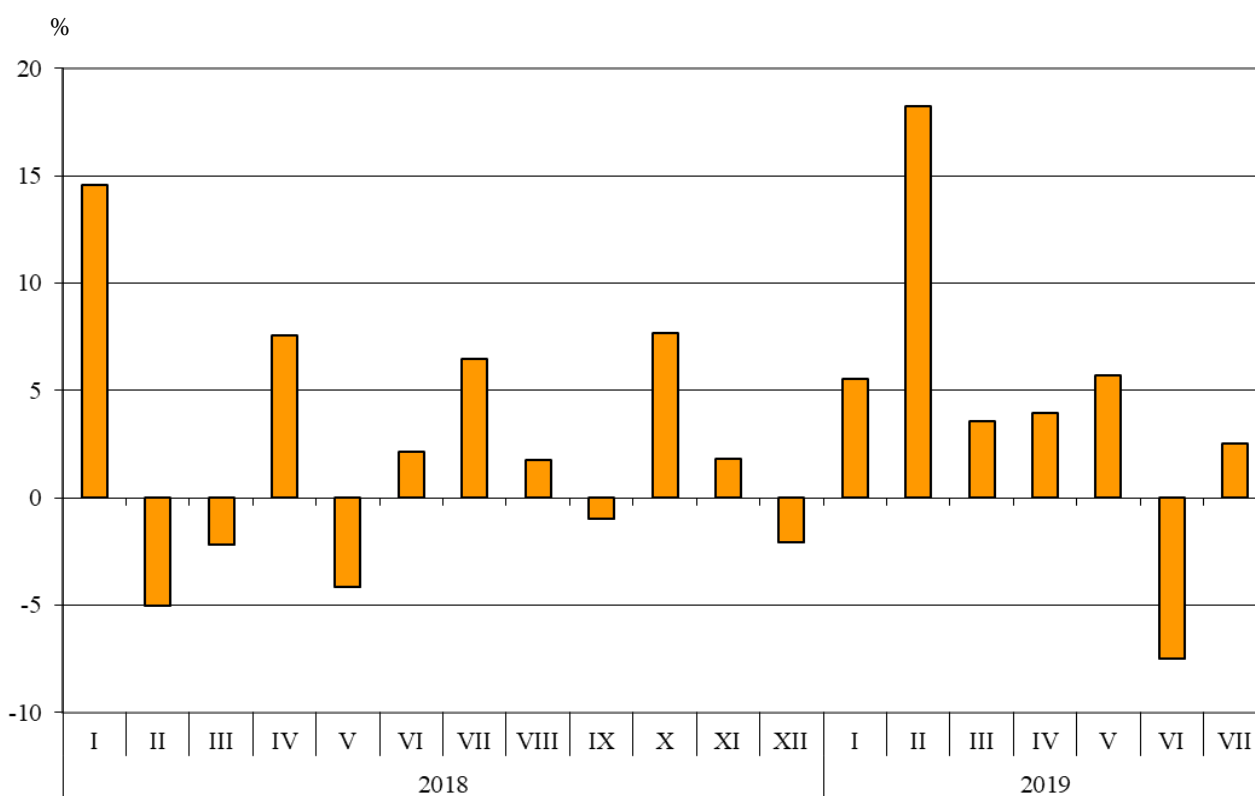
² Value changes at current prices.

Trade in goods of Bulgaria with third countries and EU - total

In the period January - July 2019 the total value of **all the goods exported** from Bulgaria amounted to 33 130.4 Million BGN which is 4.2% more than the same period of the previous year (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

In **July 2019** the total exports of goods added up to 5 273.4 Million BGN and increased by 2.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

**Figure 3. Nominal value¹ change of exports of goods of Bulgaria in the period 2018 - 2019
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



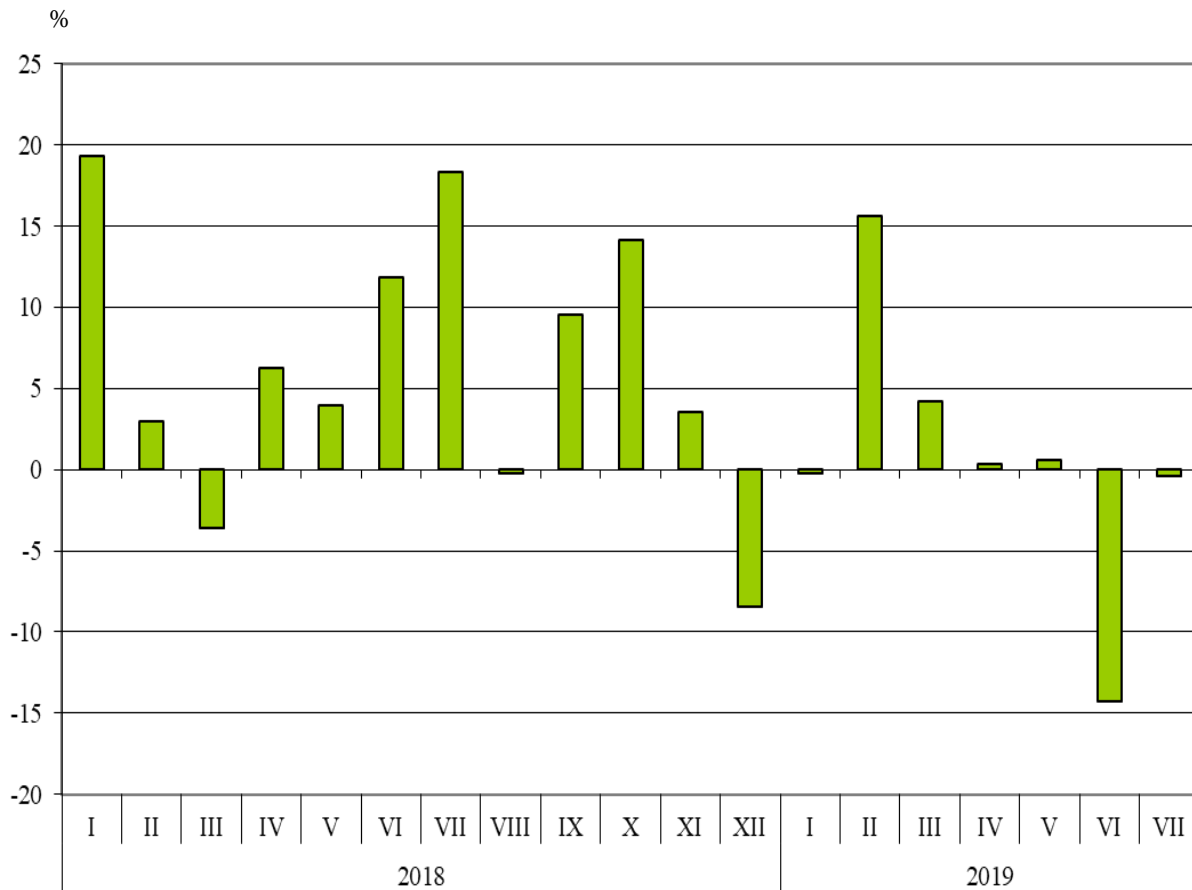
The total value of **all the goods imported** in the country in the period **January - July 2019** amounted to 36 100.6 Million BGN (at CIF prices), or by 0.4% more than the same period of 2018 (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

In **July 2019** the total imports of goods decreased by 0.4% compared to the same month of the previous year and added up to 5 576.9 Million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.



**Figure 4. Nominal value¹ change of imports of goods of Bulgaria in the period 2018 - 2019
(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 2019 and amounted to 2 970.2 Million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

In July 2019 the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative and added up to 303.5 Million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period January - July 2018 and 2019¹ by months

(Million BGN)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports – CIF ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2018	4450.6	3097.2	1353.4	5050.9	3226.3	1824.6	-600.3	-129.1	-471.2
II.2018	3968.6	2700.2	1268.4	4563.5	2914.8	1648.7	-594.9	-214.6	-380.3
III.2018	4625.4	3183.5	1441.9	5116.9	3648.2	1468.7	-491.5	-464.7	-26.8
I - III.2018	13044.6	8980.9	4063.7	14731.3	9789.3	4942.0	-1686.7	-808.4	-878.3
IV.2018	4333.8	2899.2	1434.6	4967.6	3209.0	1758.6	-633.8	-309.8	-324.0
V.2018	4396.2	3023.8	1372.4	5154.5	3359.0	1795.5	-758.3	-335.2	-423.1
VI.2018	4888.9	3202.4	1686.5	5496.2	3437.8	2058.4	-607.3	-235.4	-371.9
IV - VI.2018	13618.9	9125.4	4493.5	15618.3	10005.8	5612.5	-1999.4	-880.4	-1119.0
I - VI.2018	26663.5	18106.3	8557.2	30349.6	19795.1	10554.5	-3686.1	-1688.8	-1997.3
VII.2018	5142.7	3496.2	1646.5	5598.6	3566.6	2032.0	-455.9	-70.4	-385.5
I - VII.2018	31806.2	21602.5	10203.7	35948.2	23361.7	12586.5	-4142.0	-1759.2	-2382.8
I.2019	4697.5	3175.1	1522.4	5038.9	2998.9	2040.0	-341.4	176.2	-517.6
II.2019	4693.5	3169.6	1523.9	5277.1	3242.1	2035.0	-583.6	-72.5	-511.1
III.2019	4791.1	3277.4	1513.7	5330.5	3593.7	1736.8	-539.4	-316.3	-223.1
I - III.2019	14182.1	9622.1	4560.0	15646.5	9834.7	5811.8	-1464.4	-212.6	-1251.8
IV.2019	4504.5	3144.5	1360.0	4983.5	3480.3	1503.2	-479.0	-335.8	-143.2
V.2019	4647.2	3177.2	1470.0	5184.2	3514.5	1669.7	-537.0	-337.3	-199.7
VI.2019	4523.2	3085.8	1437.4	4709.5	3272.5	1437.0	-186.3	-186.7	0.4
IV - VI.2019	13674.9	9407.5	4267.4	14877.2	10267.3	4609.9	-1202.3	-859.8	-342.5
I - VI.2019	27857.0	19029.6	8827.4	30523.7	20102.0	10421.7	-2666.7	-1072.4	-1594.3
VII.2019	5273.4	3590.5	1682.9	5576.9	3733.3	1843.6	-303.5	-142.8	-160.7
I - VII.2019	33130.4	22620.1	10510.3	36100.6	23835.3	12265.3	-2970.2	-1215.2	-1755.0

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12-th September 2019.

² Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB (<http://bnb.bg/Statistics/StExternalSector/StForeignTrade/StFTImports/index.htm?toLang= EN>).



Table 2

**Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria in the period January - July 2019¹
compared to the same period of the previous year**

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I	5.5	2.5	12.5	-0.2	-7.0	11.8
II	18.3	17.4	20.1	15.6	11.2	23.4
III	3.6	2.9	5.0	4.2	-1.5	18.3
I - III	8.7	7.1	12.2	6.2	0.5	17.6
IV	3.9	8.5	-5.2	0.3	8.5	-14.5
V	5.7	5.1	7.1	0.6	4.6	-7.0
VI	-7.5	-3.6	-14.8	-14.3	-4.8	-30.2
IV - VI	0.4	3.1	-5.0	-4.7	2.6	-17.9
I - VI	4.5	5.1	3.2	0.6	1.6	-1.3
VII	2.5	2.7	2.2	-0.4	4.7	-9.3
I - VII	4.2	4.7	3.0	0.4	2.0	-2.6

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12-th September 2019.

Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with main non EU partner countries¹ in the period
January - July 2018 and 2019²

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2018	2019	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2018	2019	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2018	2019
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries -total	10203.7	10510.3	3.0	12586.5	12265.3	-2.6	-2382.8	-1755.0
of which:								
Albania	95.0	95.3	0.3	15.4	23.9	55.2	79.6	71.4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	73.4	71.0	-3.3	23.7	29.8	25.7	49.7	41.2
Brazil	45.2	39.4	-12.8	35.5	30.5	-14.1	9.7	8.9
Canada	71.7	63.2	-11.9	81.0	48.1	-40.6	-9.3	15.1
China	765.8	844.2	10.2	1480.4	1690.2	14.2	-714.6	-846.0
Egypt	284.6	358.4	25.9	349.7	537.0	53.6	-65.1	-178.6
Georgia	186.5	164.5	-11.8	401.4	320.5	-20.2	-214.9	-156.0
Gibraltar	108.2	106.6	-1.5	0.0	0.0	x	108.2	106.6
India	121.7	131.2	7.8	218.4	206.3	-5.5	-96.7	-75.1
Indonesia	33.9	38.5	13.6	101.5	231.7	128.3	-67.6	-193.2
Iran, Islamic Republic of	32.0	57.5	79.7	37.1	43.1	16.2	-5.1	14.4
Israel	91.9	155.5	69.2	51.0	59.5	16.7	40.9	96.0
Japan	49.6	48.7	-1.8	150.2	143.0	-4.8	-100.6	-94.3
Kazakhstan	26.3	34.0	29.3	5.2	2.7	-48.1	21.1	31.3
Korea, Republic of	92.5	79.9	-13.6	178.8	169.8	-5.0	-86.3	-89.9
Libya	55.0	75.3	36.9	5.1	0.0	x	49.9	75.3
Morocco	84.0	65.3	-22.3	147.0	115.3	-21.6	-63.0	-50.0
Namibia	151.0	175.8	16.4	0.0	0.0	x	151.0	175.8
Norway	51.9	46.6	-10.2	24.8	26.2	5.6	27.1	20.4
Peru	13.7	8.9	-35.0	44.2	8.3	-81.2	-30.5	0.6
Republic of North Macedonia	477.3	464.1	-2.8	372.4	291.6	-21.7	104.9	172.5
Russian Federation	464.4	543.2	17.0	3282.1	2522.2	-23.2	-2817.7	-1979.0
Serbia	558.6	668.1	19.6	715.2	675.0	-5.6	-156.6	-6.9
Singapore	301.4	124.5	-58.7	44.9	41.6	-7.3	256.5	82.9
South Africa	85.8	132.2	54.1	40.5	67.9	67.7	45.3	64.3
Switzerland	186.4	203.1	9.0	252.8	275.3	8.9	-66.4	-72.2
Syrian Arab Republic	19.7	18.9	-4.1	0.3	0.1	-66.7	19.4	18.8
Taiwan	50.5	27.8	-45.0	124.4	107.9	-13.3	-73.9	-80.1
Turkey	2424.8	2225.6	-8.2	2173.7	2467.8	13.5	251.1	-242.2
Ukraine	218.0	362.6	66.3	538.9	632.4	17.4	-320.9	-269.8
United Arab Emirates	124.0	116.1	-6.4	30.7	39.0	27.0	93.3	77.1
United States	616.8	537.9	-12.8	312.3	353.7	13.3	304.5	184.2
Viet-Nam	35.6	36.5	2.5	52.5	67.7	29.0	-16.9	-31.2

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 12-th September 2019.

'x' - category not applicable.

'0' - figure less than half of 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 2018 and 2019¹

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2018	2019	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2018	2019	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2018	2019
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries -total	10203.7	10510.3	3.0	12586.5	12265.3	-2.6	-2382.8	1755.0
Food and live animals	797.6	962.2	20.6	481.8	597.4	24.0	315.8	364.8
Beverages and tobacco	158.8	158.2	-0.4	122.8	142.2	15.8	36.0	16.0
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	697.2	761.9	9.3	1387.7	1321.6	-4.8	-690.5	-559.7
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1569.4	2046.8	30.4	3397.1	2737.0	-19.4	-1827.7	-690.2
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	135.5	168.0	24.0	47.6	60.9	27.9	87.9	107.1
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	1220.1	1380.0	13.1	1197.2	1308.4	9.3	22.9	71.6
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2450.5	2038.6	-16.8	2668.2	2778.1	4.1	-217.7	-739.5
Machinery and transport equipment	1787.5	1820.3	1.8	2378.4	2324.5	-2.3	-590.9	-504.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1367.0	1148.6	-16.0	883.0	971.7	10.0	484.0	176.9
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	20.1	25.7	27.9	22.7	23.5	3.5	-2.6	2.2

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