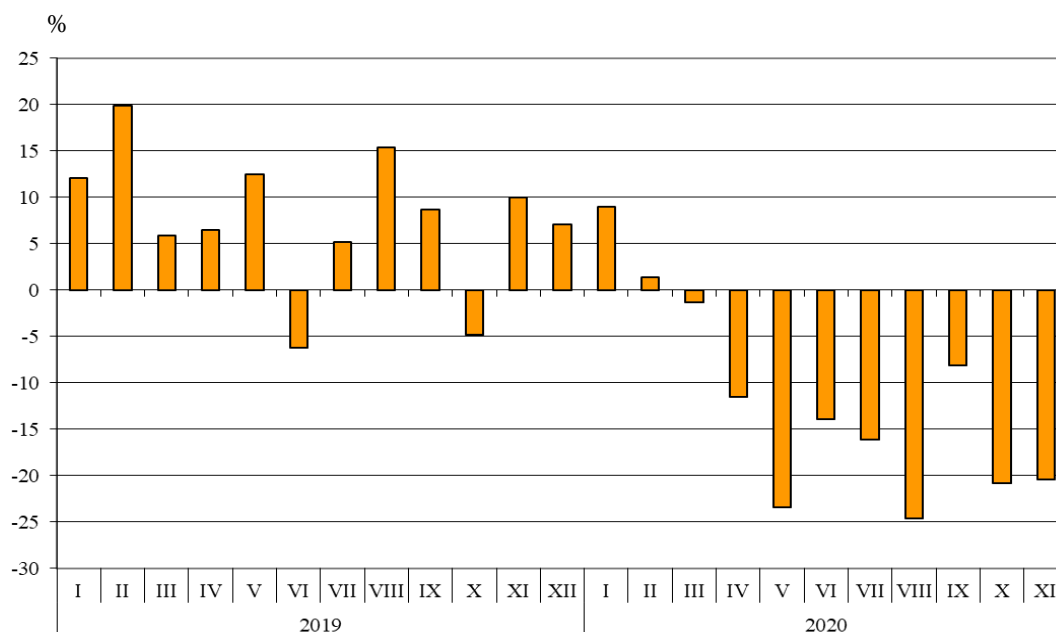


TRADE IN GOODS OF BULGARIA WITH THIRD COUNTRIES IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - NOVEMBER 2020 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period January - November 2020 the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries decreased by 12.3% in comparison with the same period of 2019 and added up to 16 958.2 Million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, China, the United Kingdom, the United States, Serbia, the Republic of North Macedonia and the Russian Federation, which accounted for 54.9% of the exports to non EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

In November 2020 the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries dropped by 20.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 1 555.8 Million BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value¹ change of exports of goods from Bulgaria to non EU countries
in the period 2019 - 2020
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



In the period January - November 2020 in the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the most notable growth compared to the same period of 2019 was recorded in section ‘Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes’ (40.4%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable fall was reported in sections ‘Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials’ (59.0%) and “Beverages and tobacco” (26.9 %).

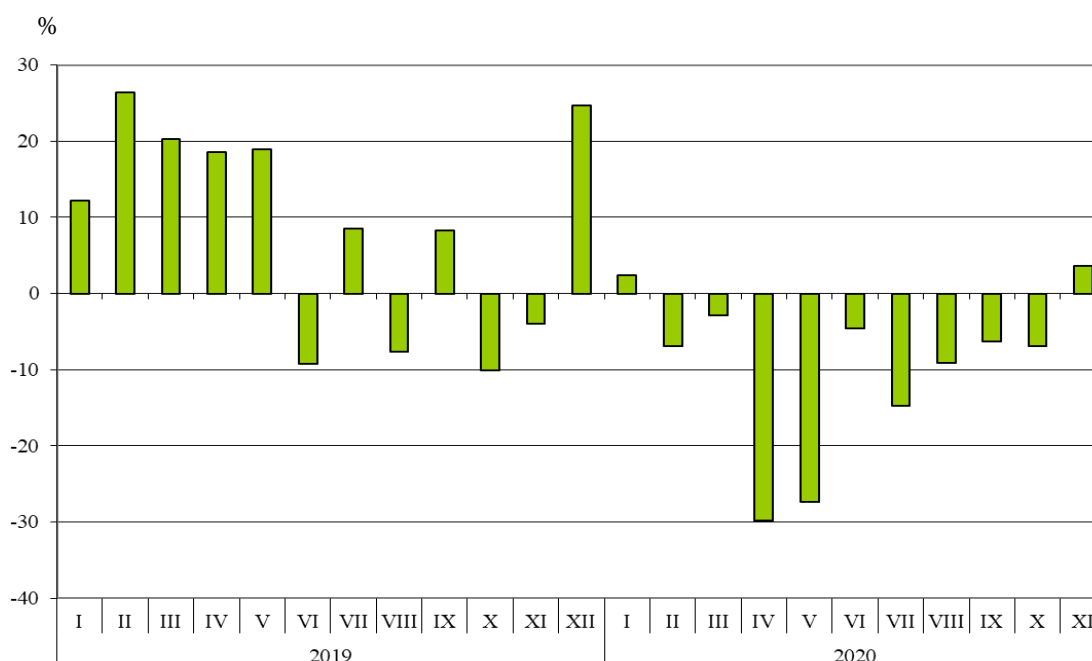
¹ Value changes at current prices.

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Imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries in the period January - November 2020 decreased by 9.6% in comparison with the same period of 2019 and added up to 21 133.1 Million BGN (at CIF prices)¹ (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Turkey, the Russian Federation, China, Serbia and Ukraine (Annex, Table 3).

In **November 2020** the imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries grew by 3.6% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2 149.3 Million BGN.

Figure 2. Nominal value² change of imports of goods to Bulgaria from non EU countries in the period 2019 - 2020 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)



In the period **January - November 2020** in the imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the largest growth compared to the same period of 2019 was recorded in the sections ‘Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)’³ (94.2%) and ‘Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes’ (81.5%) (Annex, Table 4). The most notable fall was observed in sector ‘Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials’ (50.6%).

The foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries in the period **January - November 2020** was negative and added up to 4 174.9 Million BGN (Annex, Table 1).

¹ Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB

(http://bnb.bg/Statistics/StExternalSector/StForeignTrade/StFTImports/index.htm?toLang=_EN).

² Value changes at current prices.

³ 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.

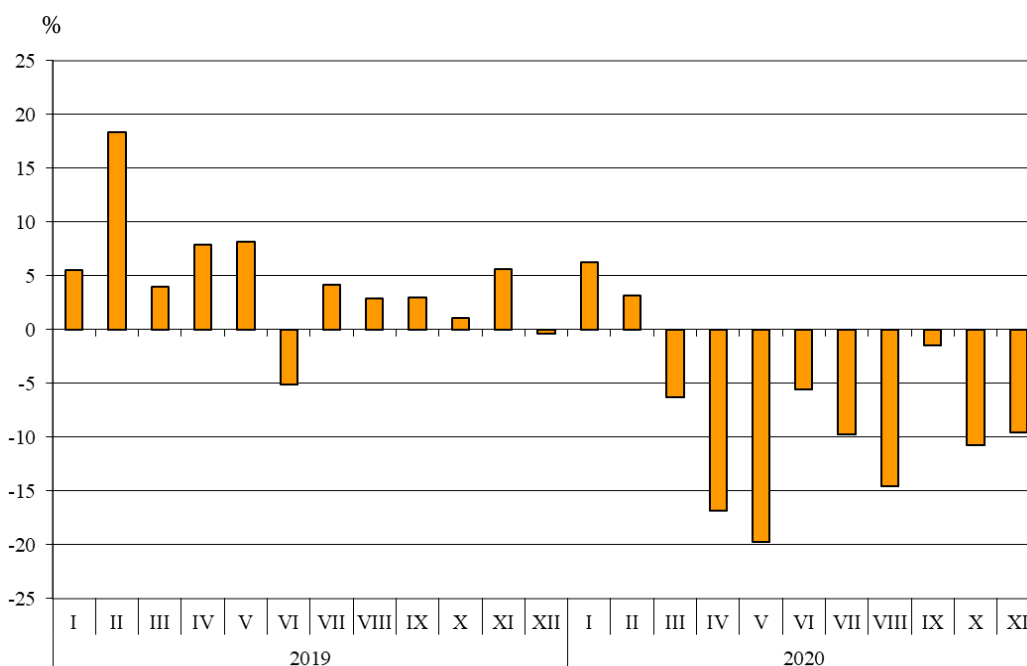
In **November 2020** the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with third countries was also negative and amounted to 593.5 Million BGN.

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

In the period **January - November 2020** the total value of **all the goods exported** from Bulgaria amounted to 50 011.9 Million BGN which is 7.8% less than the same period of 2019 (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

In **November 2020** the total exports of goods added up to 4 847.4 Million BGN and decreased by 9.6% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

Figure 3. Nominal value¹ change of exports of goods from Bulgaria in the period 2019 - 2020 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)

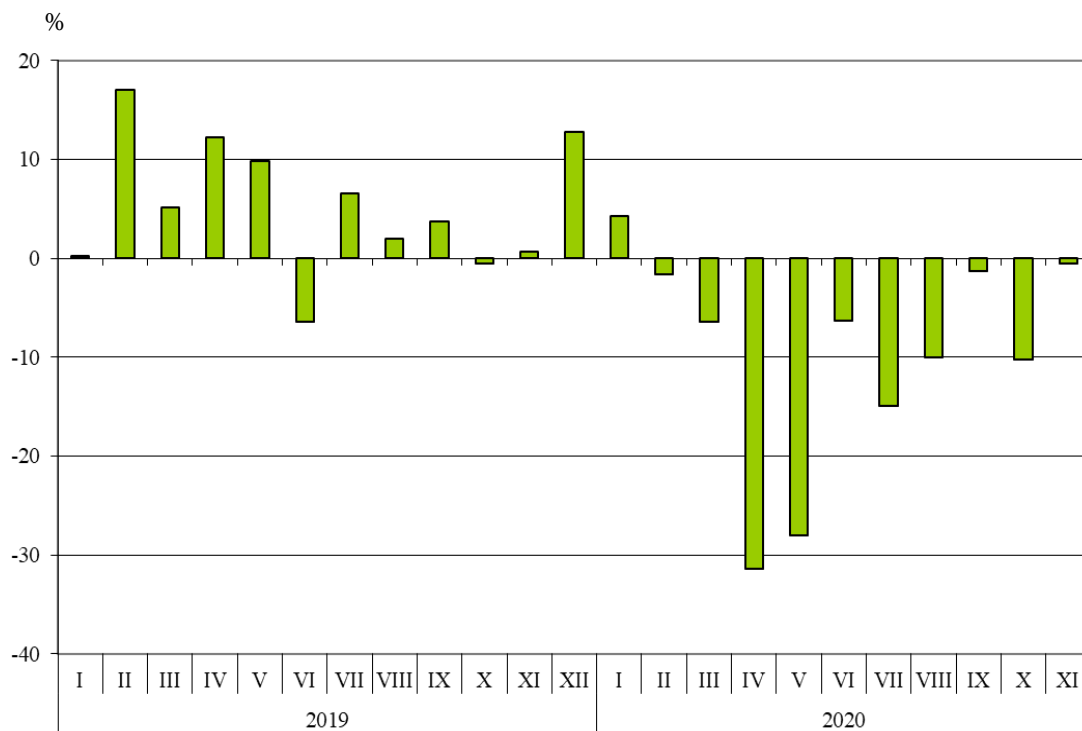


The total value of **all the goods imported** in the country in the period **January - November 2020** amounted to 54 484.0 Million BGN (at CIF prices), or by 9.9% less than the same period of 2019 (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

In **November 2020** the total imports of goods decreased by 0.5% compared to the same month of the previous year and added up to 5 677.0 Million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

**Figure 4. Nominal value¹ change of imports of goods to Bulgaria in the period 2019 - 2020
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



The **total foreign trade balance** (exports FOB - import CIF) was negative in the period **January - November 2020** and amounted to 4 472.1 Million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

In **November 2020** the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - import CIF) was also negative and added up to 829.6 Million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period
January - November 2019 and 2020¹ by months

(Million BGN)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴
I.2019	4694.9	3062.4	1632.5	5065.6	2933.6	2132.0	-370.7	128.8	-499.5
II.2019	4698.3	3050.3	1648.0	5341.8	3164.6	2177.2	-643.5	-114.3	-529.2
III.2019	4809.0	3166.4	1642.6	5379.6	3515.8	1863.8	-570.6	-349.4	-221.2
I - III.2019	14202.2	9279.1	4923.1	15787.0	9614.0	6173.0	-1584.8	-334.9	-1249.9
IV.2019	4675.9	3044.0	1631.9	5578.2	3394.0	2184.2	-902.3	-350.0	-552.3
V.2019	4756.7	3082.0	1674.7	5661.0	3427.8	2233.2	-904.3	-345.8	-558.5
VI.2019	4639.8	2956.4	1683.4	5146.0	3208.2	1937.8	-506.2	-251.8	-254.4
IV - VI.2019	14072.4	9082.4	4990.0	16385.2	10030.0	6355.2	-2312.8	-947.6	-1365.2
I - VI.2019	28274.6	18361.5	9913.1	32172.2	19644.0	12528.2	-3897.6	-1282.5	-2615.1
VII.2019	5358.2	3500.8	1857.4	5968.2	3676.0	2292.2	-610.0	-175.2	-434.8
VIII.2019	4845.2	3061.7	1783.5	5081.0	3158.6	1922.4	-235.8	-96.9	-138.9
IX.2019	4920.0	3108.5	1811.5	5365.8	3184.7	2181.1	-445.8	-76.2	-369.6
VII - IX.2019	15123.4	9671.0	5452.4	16415.0	10019.3	6395.7	-1291.6	-348.3	-943.3
I - IX.2019	43398.0	28032.5	15365.5	48587.2	29663.3	18923.9	-5189.2	-1630.8	-3558.4
X.2019	5502.4	3496.0	2006.4	6195.9	3817.4	2378.5	-693.5	-321.4	-372.1
XI.2019	5361.8	3406.0	1955.8	5706.8	3631.8	2075.0	-345.0	-225.8	-119.2
I - XI.2019	54262.2	34934.5	19327.7	60489.9	37112.5	23377.4	-6227.7	-2178.0	-4049.7
I.2020	4989.3	3209.8	1779.5	5282.5	3100.0	2182.5	-293.2	109.8	-403.0
II.2020	4848.4	3177.1	1671.3	5256.9	3229.8	2027.1	-408.5	-52.7	-355.8
III.2020	4505.5	2884.4	1621.1	5036.3	3225.3	1811.0	-530.8	-340.9	-189.9
I - III.2020	14343.2	9271.3	5071.9	15575.7	9555.1	6020.6	-1232.5	-283.8	-948.7
IV.2020	3889.5	2445.2	1444.3	3828.0	2295.9	1532.1	61.5	149.3	-87.8
V.2020	3816.1	2532.9	1283.2	4072.0	2449.0	1623.0	-255.9	83.9	-339.8
VI.2020	4380.8	2932.5	1448.3	4822.6	2972.7	1849.9	-441.8	-40.2	-401.6
IV - VI.2020	12086.4	7910.6	4175.8	12722.6	7717.6	5005.0	-636.2	193.0	-829.2
I - VI.2020	26429.6	17181.9	9247.7	28298.3	17272.7	11025.6	-1868.7	-90.8	-1777.9
VII.2020	4835.1	3277.1	1558.0	5076.2	3121.4	1954.8	-241.1	155.7	-396.8
VIII.2020	4141.6	2796.9	1344.7	4571.7	2825.3	1746.4	-430.1	-28.4	-401.7
IX.2020	4848.5	3184.3	1664.2	5298.7	3256.4	2042.3	-450.2	-72.1	-378.1
VII - IX.2020	13825.2	9258.3	4566.9	14946.6	9203.1	5743.5	-1121.4	55.2	-1176.6
I - IX.2020	40254.8	26440.2	13814.6	43244.9	26475.8	16769.1	-2990.1	-35.6	-2954.5
X.2020	4909.7	3321.9	1587.8	5562.1	3347.4	2214.7	-652.4	-25.5	-626.9
XI.2020	4847.4	3291.6	1555.8	5677.0	3527.7	2149.3	-829.6	-236.1	-593.5
I - XI.2020	50011.9	33053.7	16958.2	54484.0	33350.9	21133.1	-4472.1	-297.2	-4174.9

¹ Data are preliminary as of 13-th January 2021.

² Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB

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³ EU excluding the United Kingdom.

⁴ Non EU including the United Kingdom.

Table 2

Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria in the period January - November 2020¹ compared to the same period of the previous year

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF		
	Total	EU ²	Non EU ³	Total	EU ²	Non EU ³
I	6.3	4.8	9.0	4.3	5.7	2.4
II	3.2	4.2	1.4	-1.6	2.1	-6.9
III	-6.3	-8.9	-1.3	-6.4	-8.3	-2.8
I - III	1.0	-0.1	3.0	-1.3	-0.6	-2.5
IV	-16.8	-19.7	-11.5	-31.4	-32.4	-29.9
V	-19.8	-17.8	-23.4	-28.1	-28.6	-27.3
VI	-5.6	-0.8	-14.0	-6.3	-7.3	-4.5
IV - VI	-14.1	-12.9	-16.3	-22.4	-23.1	-21.2
I - VI	-6.5	-6.4	-6.7	-12.0	-12.1	-12.0
VII	-9.8	-6.4	-16.1	-14.9	-15.1	-14.7
VIII	-14.5	-8.6	-24.6	-10.0	-10.6	-9.2
IX	-1.5	2.4	-8.1	-1.3	2.3	-6.4
VII - IX	-8.6	-4.3	-16.2	-8.9	-8.1	-10.2
I - IX	-7.2	-5.7	-10.1	-11.0	-10.7	-11.4
X	-10.8	-5.0	-20.9	-10.2	-12.3	-6.9
XI	-9.6	-3.4	-20.5	-0.5	-2.9	3.6
I - XI	-7.8	-5.4	-12.3	-9.9	-10.1	-9.6

¹ Data are preliminary as of 13-th January 2021.

² EU excluding the United Kingdom.

³ Non EU including the United Kingdom.

Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with main non EU partner countries¹ in the period
January - November 2019 and 2020²

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2019	2020	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2019	2020	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2019	2020
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries³-total	19327.7	16958.2	-12.3	23377.4	21133.1	-9.6	-4049.7	-4174.9
of which:								
Albania	155.7	158.3	1.7	49.0	67.0	36.7	106.7	91.3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	114.7	144.5	26.0	46.4	38.3	-17.5	68.3	106.2
Brazil	58.2	75.4	29.6	48.6	184.2	279.0	9.6	-108.8
Canada	192.2	219.1	14.0	87.8	280.7	219.7	104.4	-61.6
China	1406.7	1586.3	12.8	2748.2	2699.4	-1.8	-1341.5	-1113.1
Egypt	647.8	294.7	-54.5	1297.2	629.7	-51.5	-649.4	-335.0
Georgia	271.5	237.6	-12.5	570.6	778.1	36.4	-299.1	-540.5
Gibraltar	247.1	199.0	-19.5	6.3	0.1	-98.4	240.8	198.9
India	200.0	197.8	-1.1	308.8	259.7	-15.9	-108.8	-61.9
Indonesia	118.4	64.6	-45.4	262.4	225.2	-14.2	-144.0	-160.6
Iran, Islamic Republic of	109.4	175.8	60.7	61.2	36.4	-40.5	48.2	139.4
Israel	253.4	182.9	-27.8	85.2	115.6	35.7	168.2	67.3
Japan	91.1	89.3	-2.0	256.9	259.0	0.8	-165.8	-169.7
Kazakhstan	60.6	58.7	-3.1	4.8	22.9	377.1	55.8	35.8
Korea, Republic of	249.4	128.3	-48.6	273.4	241.3	-11.7	-24.0	-113.0
Libya	123.5	202.9	64.3	0.0	0.0	x	123.5	202.9
Morocco	109.9	155.7	41.7	196.3	96.8	-50.7	-86.4	58.9
Namibia	203.5	277.7	36.5	0.0	0.0	x	203.5	277.7
Norway	79.1	85.3	7.8	41.0	42.2	2.9	38.1	43.1
Peru	26.4	12.4	-53.0	42.9	525.4	1124.7	-16.5	-513.0
Republic of North Macedonia	754.6	782.8	3.7	592.7	528.1	-10.9	161.9	254.7
Russian Federation	971.7	768.5	-20.9	5903.0	3378.9	-42.8	-4931.3	-2610.4
Serbia	1074.1	884.3	-17.7	1128.1	1091.6	-3.2	-54.0	-207.3
Singapore	181.9	36.1	-80.2	73.6	58.0	-21.2	108.3	-21.9
South Africa	183.2	195.5	6.7	89.9	53.5	-40.5	93.3	142.0
Switzerland	351.3	324.8	-7.5	471.0	440.0	-6.6	-119.7	-115.2
Syrian Arab Republic	49.3	5.1	-89.7	0.4	0.7	75.0	48.9	4.4
Taiwan	51.6	72.6	40.7	189.6	173.4	-8.5	-138.0	-100.8
Tunisia	493.4	224.2	-54.6	37.5	28.8	-23.2	455.9	195.4
Turkey	3880.4	3131.9	-19.3	3891.3	3819.5	-1.8	-10.9	-687.6
Ukraine	634.1	407.1	-35.8	978.1	1039.5	6.3	-344.0	-632.4
United Arab Emirates	202.2	122.5	-39.4	60.4	51.4	-14.9	141.8	71.1
United Kingdom	1277.2	1194.1	-6.5	837.2	678.3	-19.0	440.0	515.8
United States	1014.9	966.9	-4.7	578.7	681.4	17.7	436.2	285.5
Viet-Nam	75.4	65.1	-13.7	121.8	113.1	-7.1	-46.4	-48.0

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 13-th January 2021.

³ Non EU including the United Kingdom.

'x' - not applicable.

'0' - less than half of unit employed.

Table 4

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with non EU countries by sections of SITC, rev.4 in the period January - November 2019 and 2020¹

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2019	2020	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2019	2020	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2019	2020
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries² -total	19327.7	16958.2	-12.3	23377.4	21133.1	-9.6	-4049.7	-4174.9
Food and live animals	2138.9	2102.9	-1.7	1016.5	1039.1	2.2	1122.4	1063.8
Beverages and tobacco	267.7	195.7	-26.9	269.8	225.4	-16.5	-2.1	-29.7
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1370.9	1372.6	0.1	2342.3	4547.6	94.2	-971.4	-3175.0
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	3515.7	1440.9	-59.0	6725.9	3321.5	-50.6	-3210.2	-1880.6
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	252.5	354.6	40.4	89.2	161.9	81.5	163.3	192.7
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	2472.9	2288.6	-7.5	2225.3	2023.2	-9.1	247.6	265.4
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3664.0	3944.7	7.7	4576.0	4180.4	-8.6	-912.0	-235.7
Machinery and transport equipment	3248.3	2954.6	-9.0	4345.7	4026.3	-7.3	-1097.4	-1071.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2349.2	2245.9	-4.4	1741.5	1561.6	-10.3	607.7	684.3
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	47.6	57.7	21.2	45.2	46.1	2.0	2.4	11.6

¹ Data are preliminary as of 13-th January 2021.

² Non EU including the United Kingdom.