

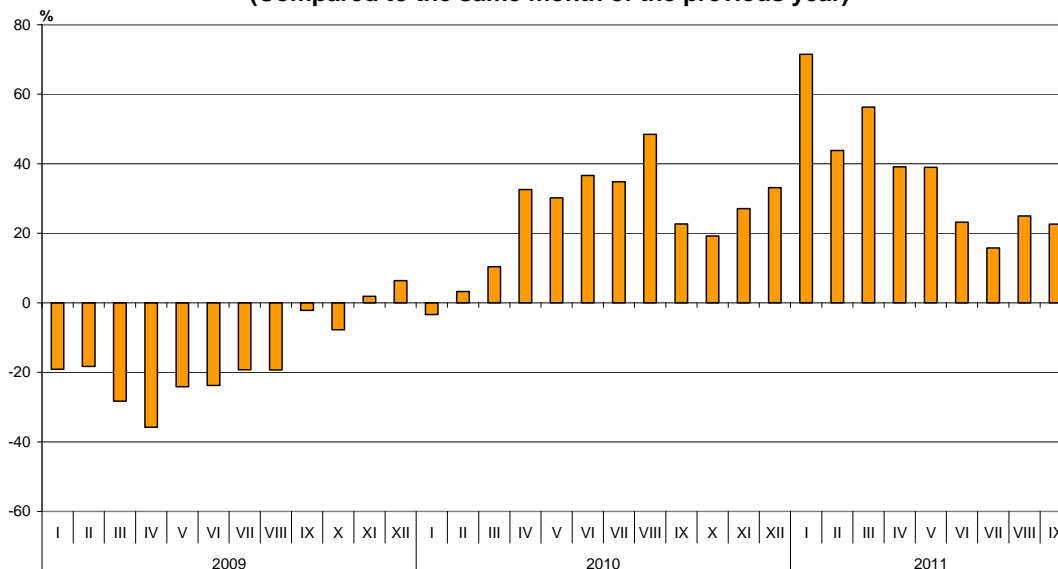


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2011 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - September 2011** the Bulgarian **exports** to the **EU** increased by 34.6% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 18.1 billion leva (Table 1.1 and 1.2). The main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Romania, Italy, Greece and Belgium, that formed 67.0 % of the total exports to the EU Member states (Table 2). The most significant growths were observed in the exports to Malta and Denmark. Falls were registered in the exports to Slovenia.

In **September 2011** the exports to the EU increased by 22.7% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and exceeded 2.0 billion leva.

**Figure 1. Nominal growth of exports to EU for the period
2009 - 2011
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**

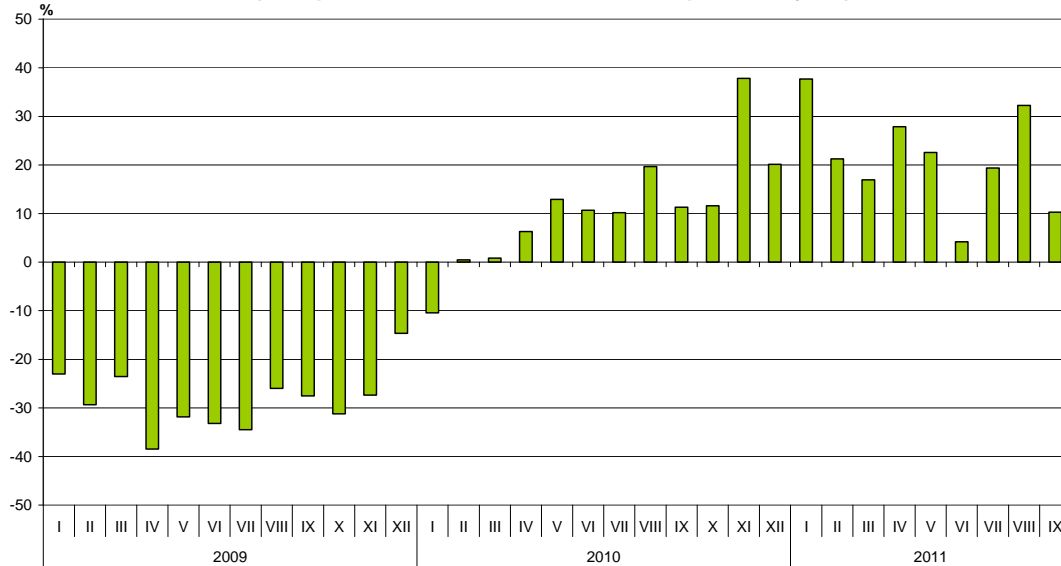


Bulgarian **imports** from the **EU** in the period **January - September 2011** increased by 20.5% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 18.7 billion leva at CIF prices (Tables 1.1 and 1.2). The most significant growths were reported on the imports from Cyprus (Table 2). Decreases were observed in the imports from Finland, Portugal and Denmark.

In **September 2011** the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States increased by 10.3% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and exceeded 2.1 billion leva at CIF prices.



Figure 2. Nominal growth of imports from EU for the period
2009 - 2011
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)



The **foreign trade balance** of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with EU in the period January - September 2011 was negative and amounted to 631.8 million leva (Table 1.1). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the trade balance was positive and amounted to 221.6 million leva.

The **exports** of Bulgaria to the EU distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, increased in all sections in the first nine months of 2011 compared to the corresponding period of the previous year (Table 3). The largest growths were recorded in the sections “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”¹, “Chemical and related products”, and „Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”²

The largest growths **on imports** from EU were reported in sections “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)” and „Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”. Falls were reported in section “Mineral fuels, lubricant and related materials”.

¹ 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.

² The section includes the following divisions: animal oils and fats; fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated; animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes of animal or vegetable origin; inedible mixtures or preparations of animal or vegetable fats or oils, n.e.s.

ANNEX

Table 1.1

Exports, imports and trade balance for the period January-September 2010 and 2011¹ by months

(Million Levs)

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB ²		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2010	1785.6	1075.1	710.5	2270.3	1275.0	995.3	2162.3	1215.4	946.9	-484.7	-199.9	-284.8	-376.7	-140.3	-236.4
II.2010	1952.7	1264.3	688.4	2303.4	1537.9	765.5	2194.3	1463.3	731.0	-350.7	-273.6	-77.1	-241.6	-199.0	-42.6
III.2010	2194.7	1294.7	900.0	2976.3	1784.1	1192.2	2838.1	1705.3	1132.8	-781.6	-489.4	-292.2	-643.4	-410.6	-232.8
I - III.2010	5933.0	3634.1	2298.9	7550.0	4597.0	2953.0	7194.7	4384.0	2810.7	-1617.0	-962.9	-654.1	-1261.7	-749.9	-511.8
IV.2010	2296.7	1326.8	969.9	3129.3	1669.2	1460.1	2978.8	1595.2	1383.6	-832.6	-342.4	-490.2	-682.1	-268.4	-413.7
V.2010	2370.0	1467.1	902.9	3215.3	1857.6	1357.7	3062.8	1774.7	1288.1	-845.3	-390.5	-454.8	-692.8	-307.6	-385.2
VI.2010	2764.1	1647.6	1116.5	3263.1	1920.4	1342.7	3105.0	1833.0	1272.0	-499.0	-272.8	-226.2	-340.9	-185.4	-155.5
IV-VI.2010	7430.8	4441.5	2989.3	9607.7	5447.2	4160.5	9146.6	5202.9	3943.7	-2176.9	-1005.7	-1171.2	-1715.8	-761.4	-954.4
I - VI.2010	13363.8	8075.6	5288.2	17157.7	10044.2	7113.5	16341.3	9586.9	6754.4	-3793.9	-1968.6	-1825.3	-2977.5	-1511.3	-1466.2
VII.2010	2989.2	1921.9	1067.3	3281.6	1833.5	1448.1	3119.6	1749.4	1370.2	-292.4	88.4	-380.8	-130.4	172.5	-302.9
VIII.2010	2841.6	1774.1	1067.5	3010.8	1751.8	1259.0	2870.3	1672.1	1198.2	-169.2	22.3	-191.5	-28.7	102.0	-130.7
IX.2010	2805.7	1683.6	1122.1	3191.7	1919.3	1272.4	3041.3	1834.3	1207.0	-386.0	-235.7	-150.3	-235.6	-150.7	-84.9
VII-IX.2010	8636.5	5379.6	3256.9	9484.1	5504.6	3979.5	9031.2	5255.8	3775.4	-847.6	-125.0	-722.6	-394.7	123.8	-518.5
I-IX.2010	22000.3	13455.2	8545.1	26641.8	15548.8	11093.0	25372.5	14842.7	10529.8	-4641.5	-2093.6	-2547.9	-3372.2	-1387.5	-1984.7
I.2011	3109.2	1843.5	1265.7	3115.4	1755.5	1359.9	2966.8	1677.7	1289.1	-6.2	88.0	-94.2	142.4	165.8	-23.4
II.2011	2914.5	1818.2	1096.3	3133.8	1864.7	1269.1	2987.2	1782.8	1204.4	-219.3	-46.5	-172.8	-72.7	35.4	-108.1
III.2011	3319.8	2023.8	1296.0	3578.7	2086.1	1492.6	3409.2	1992.3	1416.9	-258.9	-62.3	-196.6	-89.4	31.5	-120.9
I - III.2011	9343.5	5685.5	3658.0	9827.9	5706.3	4121.6	9363.2	5452.8	3910.4	-484.4	-20.8	-463.6	-19.7	232.7	-252.4
IV.2011	3140.7	1846.1	1294.6	3727.4	2134.2	1593.2	3541.0	2032.7	1508.3	-586.7	-288.1	-298.6	-400.3	-186.6	-213.7
V.2011	3247.1	2038.7	1208.4	3862.7	2277.2	1585.5	3677.4	2175.5	1501.9	-615.6	-238.5	-377.1	-430.3	-136.8	-293.5
VI.2011	3122.9	2029.6	1093.3	3718.7	2000.5	1718.2	3536.5	1910.5	1626.0	-595.8	29.1	-624.9	-413.6	119.1	-532.7
IV - VI.2011	9510.7	5914.4	3596.3	11308.8	6411.9	4896.9	10754.9	6118.7	4636.2	-1798.1	-497.5	-1300.6	-1244.2	-204.3	-1039.9
I - VI.2011	18854.2	11599.9	7254.3	21136.7	12118.2	9018.5	20118.1	11571.5	8546.6	-2282.5	-518.3	-1764.2	-1263.9	28.4	-1292.3
VII.2011	3608.5	2225.9	1382.6	3712.8	2188.6	1524.2	3534.2	2091.3	1442.9	-104.3	37.3	-141.6	74.3	134.6	-60.3
VIII.2011	3436.0	2217.4	1218.6	3796.9	2316.8	1480.1	3610.1	2202.9	1407.2	-360.9	-99.4	-261.5	-174.1	14.5	-188.6
IX.2011	3349.3	2065.2	1284.1	3906.5	2116.6	1789.9	3712.2	2021.1	1691.1	-557.2	-51.4	-505.8	-362.9	44.1	-407.0
VII-IX.2011	10393.8	6508.5	3885.3	11416.2	6622.0	4794.2	10856.5	6315.3	4541.2	-1022.4	-113.5	-908.9	-462.7	193.2	-655.9
I-IX.2011	29248.0	18108.4	11139.6	32552.9	18740.2	13812.7	30974.6	17886.8	13087.8	-3304.9	-631.8	-2673.1	-1726.6	221.6	-1948.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.12.2011.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.



Table 1.2

Growth of exports and imports for the period January-September 2011¹ compared to the same month of the previous year

(Per cent)

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I	74.1	71.5	78.1	37.2	37.7	36.6	37.2	38.0	36.1
II	49.3	43.8	59.3	36.1	21.2	65.8	36.1	21.8	64.8
III	51.3	56.3	44.0	20.2	16.9	25.2	20.1	16.8	25.1
I - III	57.5	56.4	59.1	30.2	24.1	39.6	30.1	24.4	39.1
IV	36.7	39.1	33.5	19.1	27.9	9.1	18.9	27.4	9.0
V	37.0	39.0	33.8	20.1	22.6	16.8	20.1	22.6	16.6
VI	13.0	23.2	-2.1	14.0	4.2	28.0	13.9	4.2	27.8
IV - VI	28.0	33.2	20.3	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.6	17.6	17.6
I-VI	41.1	43.6	37.2	23.2	20.6	26.8	23.1	20.7	26.5
VII	20.7	15.8	29.5	13.1	19.4	5.3	13.3	19.5	5.3
VIII	20.9	25.0	14.2	26.1	32.3	17.6	25.8	31.7	17.4
IX	19.4	22.7	14.4	22.4	10.3	40.7	22.1	10.2	40.1
VII-IX	20.3	21.0	19.3	20.4	20.3	20.5	20.2	20.2	20.3
I-IX	32.9	34.6	30.4	22.2	20.5	24.5	22.1	20.5	24.3

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.12.2011.


Table 2
Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main trade partners¹
for the period January-September 2010 and 2011²

Countries and groups of countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	22000.3	29248.0	32.9	26641.8	32552.9	22.2	-4641.5	-3304.9
EU	13455.2	18108.4	34.6	15548.8	18740.2	20.5	-2093.6	-631.8
Austria	400.8	572.3	42.8	941.4	1061.3	12.7	-540.6	-489.0
Belgium	912.9	1538.1	68.5	526.6	592.8	12.6	386.3	945.3
Cyprus	63.9	86.2	34.9	35.9	86.1	139.8	28.0	0.1
Czech Republic	203.9	310.0	52.0	508.1	541.5	6.6	-304.2	-231.5
Denmark	77.3	220.2	184.9	134.9	128.4	-4.8	-57.6	91.8
Estonia	14.1	18.0	27.7	5.5	6.8	23.6	8.6	11.2
Finland	36.1	49.1	36.0	123.3	84.9	-31.1	-87.2	-35.8
France	857.3	1257.7	46.7	856.7	1005.4	17.4	0.6	252.3
Germany	2290.6	3598.2	57.1	3115.8	3571.7	14.6	-825.2	26.5
Greece	1799.8	1959.3	8.9	1580.2	1943.9	23.0	219.6	15.4
Hungary	273.1	392.0	43.5	837.6	1004.5	19.9	-564.5	-612.5
Ireland	12.8	20.4	59.4	75.0	113.8	51.7	-62.2	-93.4
Italy	2230.3	2357.0	5.7	1899.1	2327.5	22.6	331.2	29.5
Latvia	22.2	27.5	23.9	12.5	20.8	66.4	9.7	6.7
Lithuania	33.9	36.5	7.7	39.0	52.2	33.8	-5.1	-15.7
Luxembourg	32.8	34.0	3.7	18.3	20.7	13.1	14.5	13.3
Malta	8.9	58.0	551.7	12.0	22.1	84.2	-3.1	35.9
Netherlands	321.6	494.0	53.6	740.9	806.8	8.9	-419.3	-312.8
Poland	362.2	560.8	54.8	550.5	608.1	10.5	-188.3	-47.3
Portugal	64.2	96.3	50.0	95.5	66.2	-30.7	-31.3	30.1
Romania	1932.4	2677.2	38.5	1853.8	2267.0	22.3	78.6	410.2
Slovakia	158.9	159.8	0.6	284.9	390.7	37.1	-126.0	-230.9
Slovenia	206.0	150.0	-27.2	201.3	228.0	13.3	4.7	-78.0
Spain	598.5	710.1	18.6	545.1	1028.2	88.6	53.4	-318.1
Sweden	107.1	159.2	48.6	126.7	203.9	60.9	-19.6	-44.7
United Kingdom	424.3	556.1	31.1	405.4	532.2	31.3	18.9	23.9
Not specified	9.3	10.4	11.8	22.8	24.7	8.3	-13.5	-14.3
Non EU countries	8545.1	11139.6	30.4	11093.0	13812.7	24.5	-2547.9	-2673.1
CIS	1202.2	1695.6	41.0	5696.5	7848.2	37.8	-4494.3	-6152.6
of which:								
Georgia	184.8	317.1	71.6	242.9	275.7	13.5	-58.1	41.4
Kazakhstan	26.8	29.0	8.2	6.8	112.5	1554.4	20.0	-83.5
Russian Fed.	611.3	745.2	21.9	4283.7	5987.6	39.8	-3672.4	-5242.4
Ukraine	207.6	406.3	95.7	1094.0	1364.8	24.8	-886.4	-958.5
OECD³	2539.5	3595.9	41.6	2184.3	2547.5	16.6	355.2	1048.4
of which:								
Canada	39.8	97.6	145.2	51.4	54.8	6.6	-11.6	42.8
Japan	24.5	33.9	38.4	96.8	99.4	2.7	-72.3	-65.5
Korea, Rep. of	129.0	143.6	11.3	73.8	159.0	115.4	55.2	-15.4
Turkey	1852.8	2628.5	41.9	1489.9	1634.1	9.7	362.9	994.4
USA	277.8	390.5	40.6	200.0	284.7	42.4	77.8	105.8



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of which:								
Norway	33.3	51.4	54.4	9.7	19.7	103.1	23.6	31.7
Switzerland	137.5	179.5	30.5	238.8	271.7	13.8	-101.3	-92.2
Countries not included								
in the upper groups:								
Albania	87.8	70.4	-19.8	16.0	25.7	60.6	71.8	44.7
Bosnia and Herzegovina	44.1	59.0	33.8	10.1	9.3	-7.9	34.0	49.7
Brazil	38.9	47.0	20.8	130.3	128.6	-1.3	-91.4	-81.6
China	275.4	406.2	47.5	699.7	919.9	31.5	-424.3	-513.7
Croatia	134.8	142.5	5.7	43.2	44.8	3.7	91.6	97.7
Egypt	160.1	246.1	53.7	88.6	125.3	41.4	71.5	120.8
India	56.8	111.4	96.1	74.3	90.8	22.2	-17.5	20.6
Indonesia	21.7	18.0	-17.1	24.1	29.5	22.4	-2.4	-11.5
Iran	77.4	85.2	10.1	8.6	4.3	-50.0	68.8	80.9
Israel	92.8	65.0	-30.0	170.3	261.5	53.6	-77.5	-196.5
Peru	7.8	3.6	-53.8	312.4	112.6	-64.0	-304.6	-109.0
Serbia	798.8	725.5	-9.2	294.0	360.8	22.7	504.8	364.7
Singapore	355.8	70.5	-80.2	8.7	20.9	140.2	347.1	49.6
South Africa	9.9	124.0	1152.5	15.9	29.2	83.6	-6.0	94.8
Syria	109.9	23.3	-78.8	47.0	56.0	19.1	62.9	-32.7
Taiwan	27.9	34.1	22.2	87.8	83.6	-4.8	-59.9	-49.5
The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	449.2	663.0	47.6	369.8	378.9	2.5	79.4	284.1
United Arab Emirates	53.3	46.9	-12.0	21.2	62.3	193.9	32.1	-15.4
Viet-Nam	32.3	16.3	-49.5	47.8	25.3	-47.1	-15.5	-9.0

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 09.12.2011.**

³ **Excluding EU countries.**

Exports, imports and trade balance by sections of SITC, rev. 4
for the period January-September 2010 and 2011¹

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	22000.3	29248.0	32.9	26641.8	32552.9	22.2	-4641.5	-3304.9
of which EU	13455.2	18108.4	34.6	15548.8	18740.2	20.5	-2093.6	-631.8
Food and live animals	2255.6	2712.7	20.3	2048.7	2475.9	20.9	206.9	236.8
of which EU	1695.6	2116.9	24.8	1624.2	2015.3	24.1	71.4	101.6
Beverages and tobacco	479.9	555.8	15.8	379.4	390.8	3.0	100.5	165.0
of which EU	211.8	240.0	13.3	260.5	288.3	10.7	-48.7	-48.3
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1887.5	2872.0	52.2	2318.1	2653.9	14.5	-430.6	218.1
of which EU	1058.1	1695.4	60.2	807.7	1400.4	73.4	250.4	295.0
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	2970.5	4083.4	37.5	5953.7	7782.1	30.7	-2983.2	-3698.7
of which EU	817.2	865.4	5.9	909.8	907.4	-0.3	-92.6	-42.0
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	125.3	192.1	53.3	115.8	157.2	35.8	9.5	34.9
of which EU	93.6	143.7	53.5	83.8	123.9	47.9	9.8	19.8
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	1735.4	2333.1	34.4	3211.0	3889.5	21.1	-1475.6	-1556.4
of which EU	692.6	1098.1	58.5	2586.8	3033.4	17.3	-1894.2	-1935.3
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	5234.1	7435.2	42.1	4502.0	5685.3	26.3	732.1	1749.9
of which EU	3278.6	4883.0	48.9	2930.4	3538.8	20.8	348.2	1344.2
Machinery and transport equipment	3651.2	4834.6	32.4	6057.9	7282.9	20.2	-2406.7	-2448.3
of which EU	2653.4	3535.6	33.2	4774.8	5722.6	19.9	-2121.4	-2187.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	3638.7	4193.6	15.2	1984.2	2145.6	8.1	1654.5	2048.0
of which EU	2947.0	3515.4	19.3	1511.8	1643.2	8.7	1435.2	1872.2
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	22.1	35.5	60.6	71.0	89.7	26.3	-48.9	-54.2
of which EU	7.3	14.9	104.1	59.0	66.9	13.4	-51.7	-52.0

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.12.2011.