

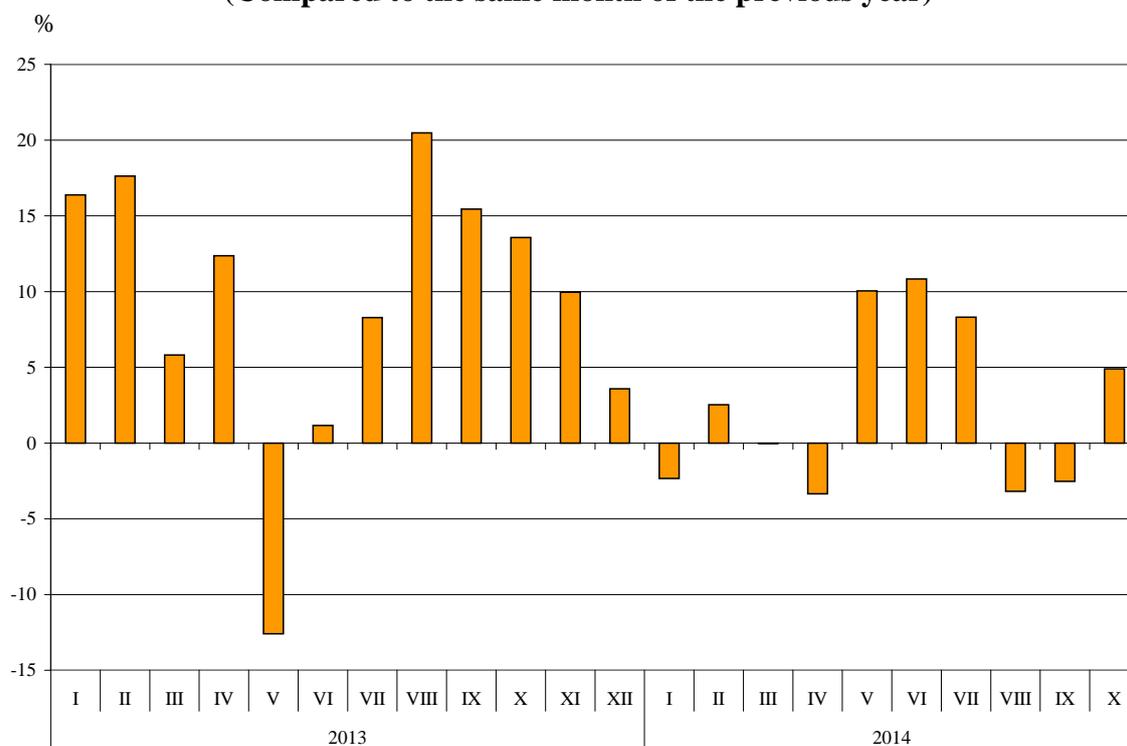


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - OCTOBER 2014 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - October 2014** Bulgarian **exports to the EU** increased by 2.4% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 22.4 Billion BGN (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Italy, Romania, Greece, France and Belgium which accounted for 71.1% of the exports to the EU Member States (Annex, Table 3).

In **October 2014** the exports to the EU increased by 4.9% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2.5 Billion BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value¹ change of exports of Bulgaria to EU in the period 2013 - 2014
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



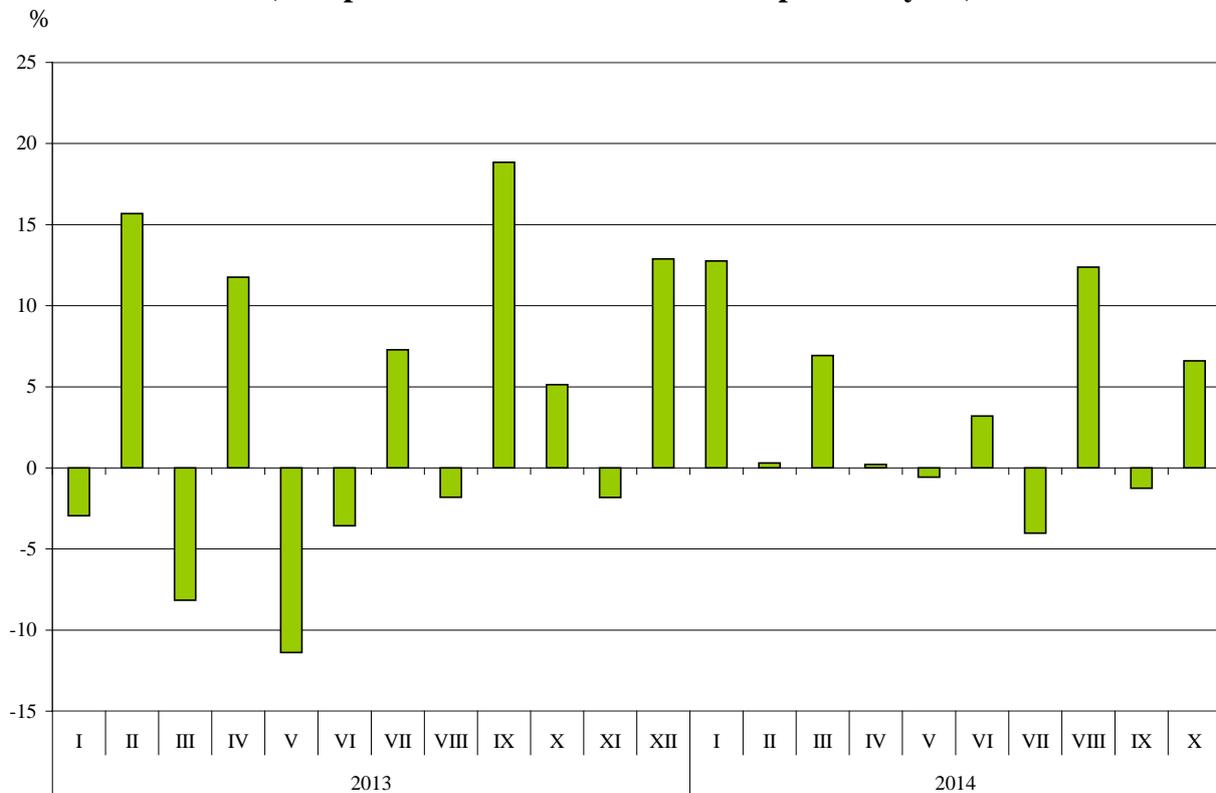
Bulgarian **imports from the EU** in the period January - October 2014 increased by 3.2% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and added up to 25.8 Billion BGN at CIF prices (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Germany, Italy, Romania, Greece and Spain (Annex, Table 3).

In **October 2014** the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States increased by 6.6% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2.9 Billion BGN at CIF prices.

¹ Value changes at current prices.



**Figure 2. Nominal value¹ change of imports of Bulgaria from EU in the period 2013 - 2014
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



The **foreign trade balance** of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) **with the EU** in the period January - October 2014 was negative and added up to 3 382.0 Million BGN (Annex, Table 1). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the trade balance was also negative and amounted to 2 338.3 Million BGN.

In the first ten months of **2014** compared to the corresponding period of the previous year the largest growth (12.2%) **in the exports** of Bulgaria **to the EU** distributed according to the Standard International Trade Classification (Annex, Table 4) was recorded in the section 'Chemical and related products n.e.c.'. The most notable fall was recorded in sections "Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials" (21.5%) and 'Beverages and tobacco' (19.0%).

In **imports from the EU** the largest growth (8.7%) was reported in section 'Chemical and related products n.e.c.' while the most notable fall (16.2%) was observed in section 'Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes'.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2013 and 2014¹ by months

Table 1

(Million BGN)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB ²		
	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴	Total	EU ³	Non EU ⁴
I.2013	3482.5	2018.0	1464.5	3724.5	2067.5	1657.0	3558.7	1985.8	1572.9	-242.0	-49.5	-192.5	-76.2	32.2	-108.4
II.2013	3243.0	1952.2	1290.8	4033.2	2458.5	1574.7	3852.1	2355.5	1496.6	-790.2	-506.3	-283.9	-609.1	-403.3	-205.8
III.2013	3476.6	2172.7	1303.9	3852.9	2333.5	1519.4	3693.4	2244.7	1448.7	-376.3	-160.8	-215.5	-216.8	-72.0	-144.8
I - III.2013	10202.1	6142.9	4059.2	11610.6	6859.5	4751.1	11104.2	6586.0	4518.2	-1408.5	-716.6	-691.9	-902.1	-443.1	-459.0
IV.2013	3866.5	2191.7	1674.8	4359.9	2624.7	1735.2	4177.8	2518.1	1659.7	-493.4	-433.0	-60.4	-311.3	-326.4	15.1
V.2013	3308.9	1879.3	1429.6	4131.5	2374.3	1757.2	3952.8	2281.3	1671.5	-822.6	-495.0	-327.6	-643.9	-402.0	-241.9
VI.2013	3437.8	2041.0	1396.8	4240.2	2549.1	1691.1	4056.5	2447.8	1608.7	-802.4	-508.1	-294.3	-618.7	-406.8	-211.9
IV - VI.2013	10613.2	6112.0	4501.2	12731.6	7548.1	5183.5	12187.1	7247.2	4939.9	-2118.4	-1436.1	-682.3	-1573.9	-1135.2	-438.7
I - VI.2013	20815.3	12254.9	8560.4	24342.2	14407.6	9934.6	23291.3	13833.2	9458.1	-3526.9	-2152.7	-1374.2	-2476.0	-1578.3	-897.7
VII.2013	3992.4	2438.0	1554.4	4670.0	2850.9	1819.1	4464.4	2735.4	1729.0	-677.6	-412.9	-264.7	-472.0	-297.4	-174.6
VIII.2013	3917.0	2384.8	1532.2	3878.3	2191.6	1686.7	3706.1	2104.4	1601.7	38.7	193.2	-154.5	210.9	280.4	-69.5
IX.2013	3779.0	2448.4	1330.6	4570.1	2794.8	1775.3	4364.9	2679.9	1685.0	-791.1	-346.4	-444.7	-585.9	-231.5	-354.4
VII - IX.2013	11688.4	7271.2	4417.2	13118.4	7837.3	5281.1	12535.4	7519.7	5015.7	-1430.0	-566.1	-863.9	-847.0	-248.5	-598.5
I - IX.2013	32503.7	19526.1	12977.6	37460.6	22244.9	15215.7	35826.7	21352.9	14473.8	-4956.9	-2718.8	-2238.1	-3323.0	-1826.8	-1496.2
X.2013	3962.7	2392.2	1570.5	4535.5	2764.9	1770.6	4329.4	2650.8	1678.6	-572.8	-372.7	-200.1	-366.7	-258.6	-108.1
I - X.2013	36466.4	21918.3	14548.1	41996.1	25009.8	16986.3	40156.1	24003.7	16152.4	-5529.7	-3091.5	-2438.2	-3689.7	-2085.4	-1604.3
I.2014	3098.4	1970.7	1127.7	3956.1	2331.4	1624.7	3784.0	2237.1	1546.9	-857.7	-360.7	-497.0	-685.6	-266.4	-419.2
II.2014	3227.2	2001.6	1225.6	3802.4	2465.8	1336.6	3642.6	2366.5	1276.1	-575.2	-464.2	-111.0	-415.4	-364.9	-50.5
III.2014	3195.4	2172.2	1023.2	3936.1	2495.2	1440.9	3780.0	2399.6	1380.4	-740.7	-323.0	-417.7	-584.6	-227.4	-357.2
I - III.2014	9521.0	6144.5	3376.5	11694.6	7292.4	4402.2	11206.6	7003.2	4203.4	-2173.6	-1147.9	-1025.7	-1685.6	-858.7	-826.9
IV.2014	3448.3	2118.2	1330.1	4303.0	2630.4	1672.6	4121.4	2525.4	1596.0	-854.7	-512.2	-342.5	-673.1	-407.2	-265.9
V.2014	3501.1	2068.1	1433.0	4133.9	2360.9	1773.0	3954.4	2267.0	1687.4	-632.8	-292.8	-340.0	-453.3	-198.9	-254.4
VI.2014	3695.7	2262.0	1433.7	4157.0	2630.6	1526.4	3977.9	2522.6	1455.3	-461.3	-368.6	-92.7	-282.2	-260.6	-21.6
IV - VI.2014	10645.1	6448.3	4196.8	12593.9	7621.9	4972.0	12053.7	7315.0	4738.7	-1948.8	-1173.6	-775.2	-1408.6	-866.7	-541.9
I - VI.2014	20166.1	12592.8	7573.3	24288.5	14914.3	9374.2	23260.3	14318.2	8942.1	-4122.4	-2321.5	-1800.9	-3094.2	-1725.4	-1368.8
VII.2014	4013.6	2640.7	1372.9	4369.1	2736.3	1632.8	4182.0	2627.5	1554.5	-355.5	-95.6	-259.9	-168.4	13.2	-181.6
VIII.2014	3806.5	2308.9	1497.6	4313.3	2462.8	1850.5	4117.5	2360.2	1757.3	-506.8	-153.9	-352.9	-311.0	-51.3	-259.7
IX.2014	3924.8	2386.5	1538.3	4684.8	2759.6	1925.2	4475.4	2645.5	1829.9	-760.0	-373.1	-386.9	-550.6	-259.0	-291.6
VII - IX.2014	11744.9	7336.1	4408.8	13367.2	7958.7	5408.5	12774.9	7633.2	5141.7	-1622.3	-622.6	-999.7	-1030.0	-297.1	-732.9
I - IX.2014	31911.0	19928.9	11982.1	37655.7	22873.0	14782.7	36035.2	21951.4	14083.8	-5744.7	-2944.1	-2800.6	-4124.2	-2022.5	-2101.7
X.2014	4041.0	2509.4	1531.6	4670.4	2947.3	1723.1	4465.1	2825.2	1639.9	-629.4	-437.9	-191.5	-424.1	-315.8	-108.3
I - X.2014	35952.0	22438.3	13513.7	42326.1	25820.3	16505.8	40500.3	24776.6	15723.7	-6374.1	-3382.0	-2992.1	-4548.3	-2338.3	-2210.0

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12-th January of 2015.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.

³ EU including Croatia also for the periods prior 1-st of July 2013.

⁴ Non EU excluding Croatia also for the periods prior 1-st of July 2013.



Table 2

**Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria for the period January - October 2014¹
compared to the same period of the previous year**

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU ²	Non EU ³	Total	EU ²	Non EU ³	Total	EU ²	Non EU ³
I	-11.0	-2.3	-23.0	6.2	12.8	-1.9	6.3	12.7	-1.7
II	-0.5	2.5	-5.1	-5.7	0.3	-15.1	-5.4	0.5	-14.7
III	-8.1	0.0	-21.5	2.2	6.9	-5.2	2.3	6.9	-4.7
I - III	-6.7	0.0	-16.8	0.7	6.3	-7.3	0.9	6.3	-7.0
IV	-10.8	-3.4	-20.6	-1.3	0.2	-3.6	-1.3	0.3	-3.8
V	5.8	10.0	0.2	0.1	-0.6	0.9	0.0	-0.6	1.0
VI	7.5	10.8	2.6	-2.0	3.2	-9.7	-1.9	3.1	-9.5
IV - VI	0.3	5.5	-6.8	-1.1	1.0	-4.1	-1.1	0.9	-4.1
I - VI	-3.1	2.8	-11.5	-0.2	3.5	-5.6	-0.1	3.5	-5.5
VII	0.5	8.3	-11.7	-6.4	-4.0	-10.2	-6.3	-3.9	-10.1
VIII	-2.8	-3.2	-2.3	11.2	12.4	9.7	11.1	12.2	9.7
IX	3.9	-2.5	15.6	2.5	-1.3	8.4	2.5	-1.3	8.6
VII - IX	0.5	0.9	-0.2	1.9	1.5	2.4	1.9	1.5	2.5
I - IX	-1.8	2.1	-7.7	0.5	2.8	-2.8	0.6	2.8	-2.7
X	2.0	4.9	-2.5	3.0	6.6	-2.7	3.1	6.6	-2.3
I - X	-1.4	2.4	-7.1	0.8	3.2	-2.8	0.9	3.2	-2.7

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12-th January 2015.

² EU including Croatia also for the periods prior 1-st of July 2013.

³ Non EU excluding Croatia also for the periods prior 1-st of July 2013.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹ of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2013 and 2014²

Countries and groups of 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	
Total	36466.4	35952.0	-1.4	41996.1	42326.1	0.8	-5529.7	-6374.1
EU³	21918.3	22438.3	2.4	25009.8	25820.3	3.2	-3091.5	-3382.0
Austria	658.6	639.9	-2.8	1162.6	1198.8	3.1	-504.0	-558.9
Belgium	906.6	1472.2	62.4	784.9	871.1	11.0	121.7	601.1
Croatia	81.6	153.3	87.9	62.8	74.7	18.9	18.8	78.6
Cyprus	115.7	155.8	34.7	72.5	45.6	-37.1	43.2	110.2
Czech Republic	461.4	506.8	9.8	859.5	968.4	12.7	-398.1	-461.6
Denmark	173.6	170.6	-1.7	147.0	174.5	18.7	26.6	-3.9
Estonia	31.5	32.1	1.9	18.0	33.0	83.3	13.5	-0.9
Finland	60.4	125.5	107.8	71.6	79.2	10.6	-11.2	46.3
France	1563.0	1564.1	0.1	1235.0	1280.1	3.7	328.0	284.0
Germany	4628.7	4386.0	-5.2	4469.1	4976.6	11.4	159.6	-590.6
Greece	2558.0	2379.2	-7.0	2332.3	2102.7	-9.8	225.7	276.5
Hungary	459.5	498.0	8.4	1252.5	1405.6	12.2	-793.0	-907.6
Ireland	42.9	61.4	43.1	136.0	129.9	-4.5	-93.1	-68.5
Italy	3196.2	3261.3	2.0	3112.1	2965.1	-4.7	84.1	296.2
Latvia	39.3	40.9	4.1	18.4	16.9	-8.2	20.9	24.0
Lithuania	68.7	77.4	12.7	66.6	66.4	-0.3	2.1	11.0
Luxembourg	5.5	4.7	-14.5	77.6	123.0	58.5	-72.1	-118.3
Malta	38.5	60.8	57.9	10.6	136.6	1188.7	27.9	-75.8
Netherlands	803.1	805.5	0.3	1092.6	1142.7	4.6	-289.5	-337.2
Poland	661.0	721.0	9.1	1151.4	1179.5	2.4	-490.4	-458.5
Portugal	232.1	139.3	-40.0	92.5	79.2	-14.4	139.6	60.1
Romania	2870.9	2894.3	0.8	2770.9	2908.2	5.0	100.0	-13.9
Slovakia	277.4	262.1	-5.5	534.2	488.6	-8.5	-256.8	-226.5
Slovenia	163.6	190.8	16.6	277.1	275.8	-0.5	-113.5	-85.0
Spain	822.1	734.7	-10.6	2309.2	2067.7	-10.5	-1487.1	-1333.0
Sweden	178.8	234.5	31.2	237.2	251.1	5.9	-58.4	-16.6
United Kingdom	748.8	797.1	6.5	623.8	736.0	18.0	125.0	61.1
Not specified	70.8	69.0	-2.5	31.8	43.3	36.2	39.0	25.7

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 of January 2015.

³ EU including Croatia.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹ of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2013 and 2014²

(Continued)

Countries and groups of 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	
Non EU countries³	14548.1	13513.7	-7.1	16986.3	16505.8	-2.8	-2438.2	-2992.1
CIS⁴	2016.8	1527.1	-24.3	9127.3	7774.9	-14.8	-7110.5	-6247.8
of which:								
Kazakhstan	43.9	53.1	21.0	70.7	62.6	-11.5	-26.8	-9.5
Russian Federation	942.5	861.0	-8.6	7949.2	6644.6	-16.4	-7006.7	-5783.6
Ukraine	743.7	271.9	-63.4	919.9	906.8	-1.4	-176.2	-634.9
OECD⁵	4732.3	4576.5	-3.3	3664.6	3682.5	0.5	1067.7	894.0
of which:								
Canada	132.7	63.0	-52.5	25.9	39.6	52.9	106.8	23.4
Israel	162.6	167.1	2.8	79.0	109.6	38.7	83.6	57.5
Japan	47.1	46.3	-1.7	108.3	138.6	28.0	-61.2	-92.3
Korea, Republic of	172.8	131.2	-24.1	146.9	136.7	-6.9	25.9	-5.5
Turkey	3317.4	3304.9	-0.4	2394.5	2389.2	-0.2	922.9	915.7
United States	482.0	496.8	3.1	306.7	486.0	58.5	175.3	10.8
EFTA⁶	325.3	269.2	-17.2	357.5	314.6	-12.0	-32.2	-45.4
of which:								
Norway	57.7	59.4	2.9	26.0	29.0	11.5	31.7	30.4
Switzerland	256.7	206.7	-19.5	331.0	284.4	-14.1	-74.3	-77.7

¹ Partner country:

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- In case of imports (or arrivals) is the country (or Member State) of consignment of the goods.

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³ Non EU excluding Croatia.

⁴ CIS includes: Azerbaijan; Armenia; Belarus; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyz, Republic; Moldova, Republic of; Russian Federation; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan; Uzbekistan and Ukraine.

⁵ OECD includes: Australia; Virgin Islands (US); United States; Iceland; Canada; Mexico; New Zealand; Norway; Korea, Republic of; Turkey; Switzerland; Japan; Israel and Chile.

⁶ EFTA includes: Norway; Switzerland; Iceland and Liechtenstein.

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹ of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2013 and 2014²

(Continued and end)

Countries and groups of 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	
Countries not included in the upper groups								
Albania	103.4	94.7	-8.4	28.0	27.6	-1.4	75.4	67.1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	65.7	66.8	1.7	43.9	64.7	47.4	21.8	2.1
Brazil	19.5	23.9	22.6	81.7	86.9	6.4	-62.2	-63.0
China	996.6	851.3	-14.6	1269.4	1407.4	10.9	-272.8	-556.1
Egypt	305.2	308.8	1.2	85.6	227.4	165.7	219.6	81.4
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	570.7	585.3	2.6	442.4	441.8	-0.1	128.3	143.5
Georgia	299.7	312.5	4.3	377.2	380.6	0.9	-77.5	-68.1
India	49.3	77.8	57.8	194.9	179.1	-8.1	-145.6	-101.3
Indonesia	43.4	48.3	11.3	46.8	53.5	14.3	-3.4	-5.2
Iran, Islamic Republic of	22.3	112.8	405.8	2.7	17.6	551.9	19.6	95.2
Peru	11.4	6.4	-43.9	14.9	36.6	145.6	-3.5	-30.2
Serbia	619.2	583.7	-5.7	410.9	506.5	23.3	208.3	77.2
Singapore	438.7	972.3	121.6	21.4	31.1	45.3	417.3	941.2
South Africa	281.6	75.6	-73.2	45.3	33.3	-26.5	236.3	42.3
Syrian Arab Republic	106.9	151.5	41.7	27.9	31.0	11.1	79.0	120.5
Taiwan	38.7	32.3	-16.5	108.4	149.4	37.8	-69.7	-117.1
United Arab Emirates	354.3	424.3	19.8	70.7	71.5	1.1	283.6	352.8
Viet Nam	25.7	28.1	9.3	50.8	73.4	44.5	-25.1	-45.3

¹ Partner country:

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- 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 of January 2015


Table 4
**Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by sections of SITC, rev. 4 in the period
 January - October 2013 and 2014¹**

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	
Total	36466.4	35952.0	-1.4	41996.1	42326.1	0.8	-5529.7	-6374.1
of which EU²	21918.3	22438.3	2.4	25009.8	25820.3	3.2	-3091.5	-3382.0
Food and live animals	4181.1	3728.5	-10.8	2993.2	3010.4	0.6	1187.9	718.1
of which EU	2778.2	2501.5	-10.0	2494.0	2516.8	0.9	284.2	-15.3
Beverages and tobacco	798.1	711.1	-10.9	554.5	539.9	-2.6	243.6	171.2
of which EU	296.0	239.8	-19.0	408.6	372.5	-8.8	-112.6	-132.7
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	3075.9	2612.0	-15.1	3980.2	3546.6	-10.9	-904.3	-934.6
of which EU	1647.0	1569.0	-4.7	2524.2	2155.3	-14.6	-877.2	-586.3
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	5595.2	4675.1	-16.4	9809.5	8624.9	-12.1	-4214.3	-3949.8
of which EU	1270.2	997.6	-21.5	1496.1	1570.0	4.9	-225.9	-572.4
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	312.3	343.0	9.8	181.7	157.8	-13.2	130.6	185.2
of which EU	241.4	254.5	5.4	145.3	121.8	-16.2	96.1	132.7
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	2956.8	3278.5	10.9	5117.6	5471.0	6.9	-2160.8	-2192.5
of which EU	1572.4	1763.5	12.2	3878.4	4214.3	8.7	-2306.0	-2450.8
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	8130.2	8149.1	0.2	6783.1	7281.2	7.3	1347.1	867.9
of which EU	5406.5	5443.2	0.7	4248.9	4360.2	2.6	1157.6	1083.0
Machinery and transport equipment	6493.6	7003.2	7.8	9627.5	10458.6	8.6	-3133.9	-3455.4
of which EU	4633.3	5155.5	11.3	7580.7	8097.9	6.8	-2947.4	-2942.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4835.0	5360.7	10.9	2748.3	3014.6	9.7	2086.7	2346.1
of which EU	4037.3	4454.2	10.3	2057.0	2220.5	7.9	1980.3	2233.7
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	88.2	90.8	2.9	200.5	221.1	10.3	-112.3	-130.3
of which EU	36.0	59.5	65.3	176.6	191.0	8.2	-140.6	-131.5

¹ Data are preliminary as 12-th of January 2015.

² EU including Croatia.