

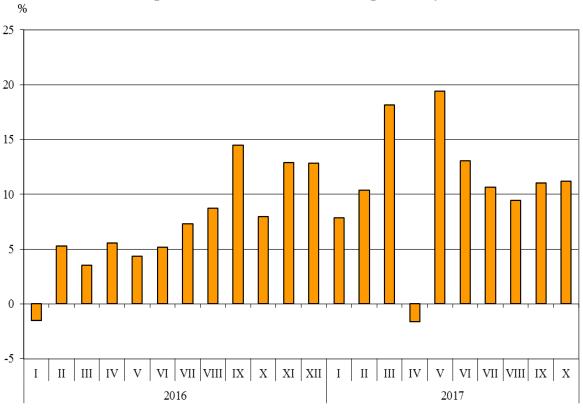


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - OCTOBER 2017 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - October 2017** Bulgarian **exports to the EU** increased by 10.9% compared to the same period of 2016 and added up to 28 769.3 Million BGN (Annex, Table 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Italy, Romania, Greece, France and Belgium which accounted for 67.5% of the exports to the EU Member States (Annex, Table 3).

In October **2017** the exports to the EU grew by 11.2% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 3 226.5 Million BGN.

Figure 1. Nominal value¹ change of exports of Bulgaria to EU in the period 2016 - 2017 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)



In the period **January - October 2017** compared to the corresponding period of the previous year the largest growths in the exports of Bulgaria to the EU distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification** (Annex, Table 4) were recorded in the sections 'Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material' (25.5%) and 'Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes' (22.9%). The most notable fall was recorded in section 'Beverages and tobacco' (11.6%).

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¹ Value changes at current prices.

²The 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.

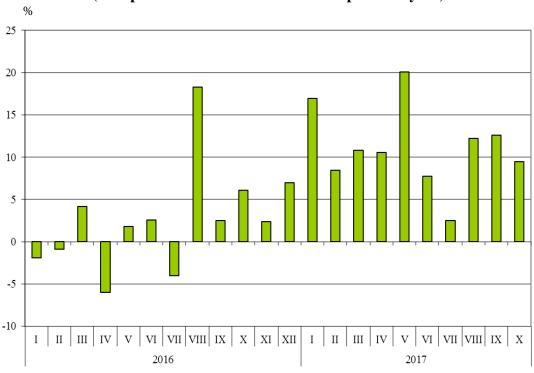




Bulgarian imports from the EU in the period January - October 2017 increased by 10.9% compared to the same period of 2016 and added up to 30 838.7 Million BGN at CIF prices (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Germany, Italy, Romania, Spain and Greece (Annex, Table 3).

In October 2017 the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States grew by 9.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 3 560.6 Million BGN.

Figure 2. Nominal value¹ change of imports of Bulgaria from EU in the period 2016 - 2017 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)



In the period January - October 2017 compared to the corresponding period of 2016 the largest growths in the imports from the EU distributed according to the Standard International Trade Classification were reported in the sections 'Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)' (42.9%) and 'Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials' (41.0%) while the largest fall was observed in section 'Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes' (2.5%).

The foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with the EU in the period January -October 2017 was negative and added up to 2 069.4 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 183.5 Million BGN.

¹Value changes at current prices.

² 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.



Annex

Table 1 Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2016 and 2017¹ by months

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Months/Periods		Exports -	FOB		Imports -	· CIF	Imports -		Imports - FOB ²		Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB ²		
Months/Perious	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	
I.2016	3411.3	2261.2	1150.1	3501.5	2267.8	1233.7	3271.4	2121.9	1149.5	-90.2	-6.6	-83.6	139.9	139.3	0.6	
II.2016	3471.9	2286.8	1185.1	3850.2	2601.3	1248.9	3613.4	2453.9	1159.5	-378.3	-314.5	-63.8	-141.5	-167.1	25.6	
III.2016	3665.4	2507.8	1157.6	4237.1	3005.8	1231.3	3971.8	2825.6	1146.2	-571.7	-498.0	-73.7	-306.4	-317.8	11.4	
I - III.2016	10548.6	7055.8	3492.8	11588.8	7874.9	3713.9	10856.6	7401.4	3455.2	-1040.2	-819.1	-221.1	-308.0	-345.6	37.6	
IV.2016	3744.0	2537.4	1206.6	4021.8	2694.4	1327.4	3782.7	2547.3	1235.4	-277.8	-157.0	-120.8	-38.7	-9.9	-28.8	
V.2016	3618.9	2397.6	1221.3	4096.9	2629.0	1467.9	3844.0	2481.4	1362.6	-478.0	-231.4	-246.6	-225.1	-83.8	-141.3	
VI.2016	4068.4	2695.3	1373.1	4318.7	2902.4	1416.3	4050.8	2733.3	1317.5	-250.3	-207.1	-43.2	17.6	-38.0	55.6	
IV - VI.2016	11431.3	7630.3	3801.0	12437.4	8225.8	4211.6	11677.5	7762.0	3915.5	-1006.1	-595.5	-410.6	-246.2	-131.7	-114.5	
I - VI.2016	21979.9	14686.1	7293.8	24026.2	16100.7	7925.5	22534.1	15163.4	7370.7	-2046.3	-1414.6	-631.7	-554.2	-477.3	-76.9	
VII.2016	4192.5	2821.3	1371.2	4344.2	2924.1	1420.1	4062.8	2746.7	1316.1	-151.7	-102.8	-48.9	129.7	74.6	55.1	
VIII.2016	4024.8	2679.7	1345.1	4442.1	2787.3	1654.8	4140.6	2613.3	1527.3	-417.3	-107.6	-309.7	-115.8	66.4	-182.2	
IX.2016	4170.7	2843.7	1327.0	4180.3	2742.0	1438.3	3917.9	2587.1	1330.8	-9.6	101.7	-111.3	252.8	256.6	-3.8	
VII - IX.2016	12388.0	8344.7	4043.3	12966.6	8453.4	4513.2	12121.3	7947.1	4174.2	-578.6	-108.7	-469.9	266.7	397.6	-130.9	
I - IX.2016	34367.9	23030.8	11337.1	36992.8	24554.1	12438.7	34655.4	23110.5	11544.9	-2624.9	-1523.3	-1101.6	-287.5	-79.7	-207.8	
X.2016	4303.9	2901.8	1402.1	4831.3	3252.1	1579.2	4517.7	3042.3	1475.4	-527.4	-350.3	-177.1	-213.8	-140.5	-73.3	
I - X.2016	38671.8	25932.6	12739.2	41824.1	27806.2	14017.9	39173.1	26152.8	13020.3	-3152.3	-1873.6	-1278.7	-501.3	-220.2	-281.1	

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12-th January 2018. ² By data of BNB for the transport costs.





Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2016 and 2017¹ by months

(Continued and end)

(Million BGN)

Table 1

(Continued and the															
Months/Periods		Exports -	FOB		Imports -	· CIF		Imports -	FOB ²	Trade l	oalance - F	OB/CIF	Trade l	balance - Fo	OB/FOB ²
Monuis/Perious	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	\mathbf{EU}	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2017	3750.5	2438.4	1312.1	4229.8	2652.0	1577.8	3944.2	2480.4	1463.8	-479.3	-213.6	-265.7	-193.7	-42.0	-151.7
II.2017	4044.5	2524.3	1520.2	4428.3	2820.2	1608.1	4134.9	2646.6	1488.3	-383.8	-295.9	-87.9	-90.4	-122.3	31.9
III.2017	4373.6	2962.3	1411.3	5306.0	3329.7	1976.3	4973.5	3135.8	1837.7	-932.4	-367.4	-565.0	-599.9	-173.5	-426.4
I - III.2017	12168.6	7925.0	4243.6	13964.1	8801.9	5162.2	13052.6	8262.8	4789.8	-1795.5	-876.9	-918.6	-884.0	-337.8	-546.2
IV.2017	3906.5	2496.4	1410.1	4684.7	2978.0	1706.7	4385.8	2792.5	1593.3	-778.2	-481.6	-296.6	-479.3	-296.1	-183.2
V.2017	4458.5	2862.4	1596.1	4938.8	3156.6	1782.2	4628.3	2968.5	1659.8	-480.3	-294.2	-186.1	-169.8	-106.1	-63.7
VI.2017	4619.5	3047.0	1572.5	4906.4	3127.5	1778.9	4598.3	2942.7	1655.6	-286.9	-80.5	-206.4	21.2	104.3	-83.1
IV - VI.2017	12984.5	8405.8	4578.7	14529.9	9262.1	5267.8	13612.4	8703.7	4908.7	-1545.4	-856.3	-689.1	-627.9	-297.9	-330.0
I - VI.2017	25153.1	16330.8	8822.3	28494.0	18064.0	10430.0	26665.0	16966.5	9698.5	-3340.9	-1733.2	-1607.7	-1511.9	-635.7	-876.2
VII.2017	4604.1	3121.8	1482.3	4703.6	2997.8	1705.8	4414.7	2823.1	1591.6	-99.5	124.0	-223.5	189.4	298.7	-109.3
VIII.2017	4322.5	2933.3	1389.2	4925.3	3128.4	1796.9	4589.1	2918.8	1670.3	-602.8	-195.1	-407.7	-266.6	14.5	-281.1
IX.2017	4506.1	3156.9	1349.2	4707.2	3087.9	1619.3	4401.1	2907.2	1493.9	-201.1	69.0	-270.1	105.0	249.7	-144.7
VII - IX.2017	13432.7	9212.0	4220.7	14336.1	9214.1	5122.0	13404.9	8649.1	4755.8	-903.4	-2.1	-901.3	27.8	562.9	-535.1
I - IX.2017	38585.8	25542.8	13043.0	42830.1	27278.1	15552.0	40069.9	25615.6	14454.3	-4244.3	-1735.3	-2509.0	-1484.1	-72.8	-1411.3
X.2017	4945.9	3226.5	1719.4	5452.9	3560.6	1892.3	5090.6	3337.2	1753.4	-507.0	-334.1	-172.9	-144.7	-110.7	-34.0
I - X.2017	43531.7	28769.3	14762.4	48283.0	30838.7	17444.3	45160.5	28952.8	16207.7	-4751.3	-2069.4	-2681.9	-1628.8	-183.5	-1445.3

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Table 2 Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2017¹ compared to the same period of the previous year

(Per cent)

Months/Dovieds		Exports -	FOB		Imports -	· CIF	Imports - FOB			
Months/Periods	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	
I	9.9	7.8	14.1	20.8	16.9	27.9	20.6	16.9	27.3	
II	16.5	10.4	28.3	15.0	8.4	28.8	14.4	7.9	28.4	
III	19.3	18.1	21.9	25.2	10.8	60.5	25.2	11.0	60.3	
I - III	15.4	12.3	21.5	20.5	11.8	39.0	20.2	11.6	38.6	
IV	4.3	-1.6	16.9	16.5	10.5	28.6	15.9	9.6	29.0	
V	23.2	19.4	30.7	20.5	20.1	21.4	20.4	19.6	21.8	
VI	13.5	13.0	14.5	13.6	7.8	25.6	13.5	7.7	25.7	
IV - VI	13.6	10.2	20.5	16.8	12.6	25.1	16.6	12.1	25.4	
I - VI	14.4	11.2	21.0	18.6	12.2	31.6	18.3	11.9	31.6	
VII	9.8	10.7	8.1	8.3	2.5	20.1	8.7	2.8	20.9	
VIII	7.4	9.5	3.3	10.9	12.2	8.6	10.8	11.7	9.4	
IX	8.0	11.0	1.7	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.3	12.4	12.3	
VII - IX	8.4	10.4	4.4	10.6	9.0	13.5	10.6	8.8	13.9	
I - IX	12.3	10.9	15.0	15.8	11.1	25.0	15.6	10.8	25.2	
X	14.9	11.2	22.6	12.9	9.5	19.8	12.7	9.7	18.8	
I - X	12.6	10.9	15.9	15.4	10.9	24.4	15.3	10.7	24.5	

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12-th January 2018.





Table 3 Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries 1 of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2016 and 2017^2

	Ex	xports - F	ОВ]	Imports - (CIF	Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
Countries and groups of -	2016	2017	Change compared	2016	2017	Change compared	2016	2017	
countries	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN		
Total	38671.8	43531.7	12.6	41824.1	48283.0	15.4	-3152.3	-4751.3	
EU	25932.6	28769.3	10.9	27806.2	30838.7	10.9	-1873.6	-2069.4	
Austria	751.7	809.6	7.7	1176.9	1166.5	-0.9	-425.2	-356.9	
Belgium	990.6	1654.6	67.0	992.2	1033.3	4.1	-1.6	621.3	
Croatia	178.4	189.1	6.0	103.7	127.1	22.6	74.7	62.0	
Cyprus	130.2	127.8	-1.8	47.4	170.2	259.1	82.8	-42.4	
Czech Republic	636.7	874.3	37.3	881.3	1074.0	21.9	-244.6	-199.7	
Denmark	232.0	263.7	13.7	198.0	220.7	11.5	34.0	43.0	
Estonia	35.4	39.8	12.4	24.4	34.9	43.0	11.0	4.9	
Finland	62.6	71.6	14.4	110.8	100.3	-9.5	-48.2	-28.7	
France	1761.5	1786.2	1.4	1327.7	1391.8	4.8	433.8	394.4	
Germany	5227.7	5933.0	13.5	5538.3	5953.8	7.5	-310.6	-20.8	
Greece	2616.6	2770.4	5.9	1990.6	2122.0	6.6	626.0	648.4	
Hungary	635.3	748.4	17.8	1579.6	1680.9	6.4	-944.3	-932.5	
Ireland	53.6	76.6	42.9	152.3	180.5	18.5	-98.7	-103.9	
Italy	3616.6	3664.2	1.3	3319.7	3536.0	6.5	296.9	128.2	
Latvia	43.9	48.0	9.3	54.3	61.4	13.1	-10.4	-13.4	
Lithuania	88.8	114.8	29.3	82.9	75.3	-9.2	5.9	39.5	
Luxembourg	9.7	15.0	54.6	144.1	161.7	12.2	-134.4	-146.7	
Malta	66.8	30.4	-54.5	28.8	71.7	149.0	38.0	-41.3	
Netherlands	1039.2	1076.2	3.6	1493.9	1734.5	16.1	-454.7	-658.3	
Poland	933.8	1021.1	9.3	1658.1	1762.3	6.3	-724.3	-741.2	
Portugal	174.7	207.6	18.8	79.4	87.1	9.7	95.3	120.5	
Romania	3429.4	3604.6	5.1	2849.5	3420.1	20.0	579.9	184.5	
Slovakia	270.5	333.1	23.1	559.3	623.5	11.5	-288.8	-290.4	
Slovenia	335.0	343.9	2.7	323.5	361.0	11.6	11.5	-17.1	
Spain	1067.1	1263.5	18.4	1658.6	2466.0	48.7	-591.5	-1202.5	
Sweden	286.7	359.7	25.5	265.4	316.7	19.3	21.3	43.0	
United Kingdom	954.6	1061.0	11.1	1019.1	782.2	-23.2	-64.5	278.8	
Not specified	303.5	281.1	-7.4	146.4	123.2	-15.8	157.1	157.9	

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 January 2018.





Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2016 and 2017²

(Continued)

	E	Exports - F	OB]	(mports - 0	CIF	Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
Countries and groups of	2016 2017 Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %		2016	2017	Change compared	2016	2017	
Countries and groups of countries			period of the previous	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN	
Non EU countries	12739.2	14762.4	15.9	14017.9	17444.3	24.4	-1278.7	-2681.9
CIS^3	1061.8	1782.7	67.9	4564.5	5664.0	24.1	-3502.7	-3881.3
of which:								
Kazakhstan	28.3	36.4	28.6	27.1	23.7	-12.5	1.2	12.7
Russian Federation	626.6	1280.2	104.3	3749.8	4735.6	26.3	-3123.2	-3455.4
Ukraine	203.9	220.4	8.1	647.7	730.6	12.8	-443.8	-510.2
OECD ⁴	4341.7	4678.0	7.7	3850.0	4437.5	15.3	491.7	240.5
of which:								
Canada	80.2	66.5	-17.1	77.0	103.6	34.5	3.2	-37.1
Israel	128.3	124.4	-3.0	84.0	83.7	-0.4	44.3	40.7
Japan	65.6	64.6	-1.5	158.3	169.1	6.8	-92.7	-104.5
Korea, Republic of	100.8	69.5	-31.1	187.9	187.3	-0.3	-87.1	-117.8
Turkey	2997.4	3388.3	13.0	2574.1	3053.6	18.6	423.3	334.7
United States	565.5	566.9	0.2	344.9	380.6	10.4	220.6	186.3
EFTA ⁵	287.8	281.1	-2.3	359.1	383.2	6.7	-71.3	-102.1
of which:								
Norway	58.5	55.0	-6.0	39.4	55.5	40.9	19.1	-0.5
Switzerland	226.8	223.7	-1.4	316.7	325.0	2.6	-89.9	-101.3

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³ CIS includes: Azerbaijan; Armenia; Belarus; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyz Republic; Moldova, Republic of; Russian Federation; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan; Uzbekistan and Ukraine.

⁴ OECD includes: Australia; Virgin Islands (US); United States; Iceland; Canada; Mexico; New Zealand; Norway; Korea, Republic of; Turkey; Switzerland; Japan; Israel and Chile.

⁵ EFTA includes: Norway; Switzerland; Iceland and Liechtenstein.





Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries of Bulgaria in the period January - October 2016 and 2017²

(Continued and end)

	I	Exports - I	FOB		Imports -	CIF	Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
Countries and groups of	2016	2017	Change compared	2016	2017	Change compared	2016	2017	
countries and groups of	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million BGN		
Countries not included									
in the upper groups									
Albania	98.2	121.8	24.0	23.7	27.9	17.7	74.5	93.9	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	109.4	110.8	1.3	70.2	65.6	-6.6	39.2	45.2	
Brazil	45.5	42.9	-5.7	42.0	31.4	-25.2	3.5	11.5	
China	634.1	1037.5	63.6	1711.1	1829.7	6.9	-1077.0	-792.2	
Egypt	372.4	517.7	39.0	535.1	878.5	64.2	-162.7	-360.8	
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	635.7	658.0	3.5	417.0	516.2	23.8	218.7	141.8	
Georgia	262.5	231.6	-11.8	215.9	495.9	129.7	46.6	-264.3	
India	123.2	175.0	42.0	187.4	227.1	21.2	-64.2	-52.1	
Indonesia	55.8	38.1	-31.7	57.4	78.1	36.1	-1.6	-40.0	
Iran, Islamic Republic of	107.2	92.6	-13.6	41.3	94.9	129.8	65.9	-2.3	
Peru	11.7	16.7	42.7	36.7	29.8	-18.8	-25.0	-13.1	
Serbia	611.1	752.5	23.1	618.5	965.0	56.0	-7.4	-212.5	
Singapore	301.5	273.0	-9.5	41.2	53.6	30.1	260.3	219.4	
South Africa	99.3	102.2	2.9	32.0	55.8	74.4	67.3	46.4	
Syrian Arab Republic	29.9	34.5	15.4	1.6	0.3	-81.3	28.3	34.2	
Taiwan	42.9	41.4	-3.5	174.9	166.0	-5.1	-132.0	-124.6	
United Arab Emirates	322.9	277.8	-14.0	34.4	46.0	33.7	288.5	231.8	
Viet Nam	153.8	39.0	-74.6	68.2	71.7	5.1	85.6	-32.7	

¹ Partner country:

⁻ In case of exports (or dispatches) is the country (or Member State) of final destination of the goods.

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Table 4

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by sections of SITC, rev. 4 in the period January - October 2016 and 2017^1

	E	xports - F	ОВ	In	iports - C	Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
	2016	2017	Change	2016	2017	Change compared	2016	2017
Sections by SITC	Million BGN		to the same period of the previous year - %	Million	Million BGN		Million BGN	
Total	38671.8	43531.7	12.6	41824.1	48283.0	15.4	-3152.3	-4751.3
of which EU	25932.6	28769.3	10.9	27806.2	30838.7	10.9	-1873.6	-2069.4
Food and live animals	4380.5	4578.8	4.5	3392.0	3804.9	12.2	988.5	773.9
of which EU	3105.2	3399.2	9.5	2707.4	3114.2	15.0	397.8	285.0
Beverages and tobacco	644.0	609.6	-5.3	648.4	651.3	0.4	-4.4	-41.7
of which EU	300.6	265.6	-11.6	521.2	508.9	-2.4	-220.6	-243.3
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	2656.5	2700.4	1.7	2872.0	4276.5	48.9	-215.5	-1576.1
of which EU	1838.4	1811.4	-1.5	1692.3	2419.1	42.9	146.1	-607.7
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	3410.2	3431.9	0.6	5086.9	6729.4	32.3	-1676.7	-3297.5
of which EU	982.7	1178.9	20.0	1022.4	1441.7	41.0	-39.7	-262.8
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	382.3	462.7	21.0	146.6	162.2	10.6	235.7	300.5
of which EU	254.7	313.0	22.9	107.8	105.1	-2.5	146.9	207.9
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	3877.3	4351.3	12.2	6348.2	7012.1	10.5	-2470.9	-2660.8
of which EU	2572.6	2826.1	9.9	4987.6	5469.9	9.7	-2415.0	-2643.8
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	7812.7	10457.1	33.8	7697.1	8419.5	9.4	115.6	2037.6
of which EU	5431.7	6818.4	25.5	4915.5	4882.0	-0.7	516.2	1936.4
Machinery and transport equipment	8436.5	9386.1	11.3	11615.7	12870.1	10.8	-3179.2	-3484.0
of which EU	6166.7	6914.0	12.1	8990.4	9842.0	9.5	-2823.7	-2928.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	6965.6	7435.6	6.7	3770.5	4096.5	8.6	3195.1	3339.1
of which EU	5207.1	5151.5	-1.1	2653.1	2824.8	6.5	2554.0	2326.7
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	106.2	118.2	11.3	246.7	260.5	5.6	-140.5	-142.3
of which EU	72.9	91.2	25.1	208.5	231.0	10.8	-135.6	-139.8

¹ Data are preliminary as of 12-th January 2018.