

Foreign trade with non-EU countries: preliminary estimates

September 2013

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in September 2013. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in September 2013 will be disseminated on coming 15 November.

In September 2013, exports to non-EU countries increased by 1.0% and imports decreased by 5.7% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a surplus of 318 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 633 million euro deficit in the same month of 2012.

In September 2013, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports increased by 1.2% and imports increased by 0.4% compared with August 2013. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 1.8% decrease in outgoing flows and a 2.1% increase in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January-September 2013 exports to non-EU countries increased by 2.1% and imports decreased by 10.1% compared with the same period of 2012. The trade balance registered a surplus of 11,381 million euro compared to the deficit of 5,175 million euro in the same period of 2012. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 49,356 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 42,817 million euro surplus in January-September 2012.

Table 1 - Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries – September 2013

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euro		Percentage changes		Millions of euro	Percentage changes	
	Sep. 2013	Jan.-Sep. 13	<u>Sep. 13</u> <u>Sep. 12</u>	<u>Jan.-Sep. 13</u> <u>Jan.-Sep. 12</u>	Sep. 2013	<u>Sep. 13</u> <u>Aug. 13</u>	<u>Jul.-Sep. 13</u> <u>Apr.-Jun. 13</u>
Exports	13,900	133,554	1.0	2.1	15,113	1.2	-1.8
Imports	13,582	122,173	-5.7	-10.1	13,568	0.4	2.1
Trade balance	318	11,381			1,545		

Table 2 - Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries - September 2013

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Sep. 13	Jan.-Sep. 13		Sep. 13	Jan.-Sep. 13	Sep. 2013	Jan.-Sep. 13
		Sep. 12	Jan.-Sep. 12		Sep. 12	Jan.-Sep. 12		
European non-EU countries	13.5	-1.8	-1.3	11.0	-1.9	4.6	640	5,697
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.6	13.1	10.5	4.9	-15.5	9.9	-585	-6,850
<i>Switzerland</i>	5.9	-17.1	-7.6	2.9	3.0	-3.5	610	7,473
<i>Turkey</i>	2.7	10.5	-5.6	1.4	19.9	7.6	494	3,458
North Africa	3.5	5.3	7.8	7.1	-43.5	-23.9	-119	-5,005
Other African countries	1.4	5.4	5.6	2.2	4.9	-16.4	-298	-1,247
North America	7.6	0.2	-0.7	3.8	10.0	-13.2	1,094	12,251
<i>United States</i>	6.9	0.5	-1.4	3.4	8.4	-12.4	1,078	11,082
Central and South America	3.9	-9.6	-1.2	2.6	2.2	-10.7	236	3,937
Middle Eastern countries	4.9	5.2	8.0	6.6	-9.4	-19.9	-427	-388
Other Asian countries	9.3	7.7	4.0	13.1	4.5	-7.8	-1,237	-8,076
<i>China</i>	2.3	18.6	10.6	6.5	3.9	-8.5	-1,449	-10,577
<i>Japan</i>	1.5	-4.1	10.1	0.8	-3.2	-24.9	233	2,612
<i>India</i>	0.9	-2.2	-10.8	1.0	19.5	4.4	-141	-772
Oceania and other territories	1.9	-5.2	8.1	0.5	1.1	-7.3	430	4,213
OPEC	5.7	10.9	8.3	10.9	-33.2	-27.0	-393	-5,868
MERCOSUR	1.6	16.9	16.8	1.2	9.9	-6.6	110	1,790
DAE	3.4	6.3	4.4	1.8	8.4	-11.4	559	5,549
ASEAN	1.7	-1.0	2.7	1.7	11.9	3.3	-32	-197
Total	46.0	1.0	2.1	46.9	-5.7	-10.1	318	11,381

(a) Calculated on 2012 total foreign trade.

Table 3 - Exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings – September 2013

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Sep. 13	Jan.-Sep. 13		Sep. 13	Jan.-Sep. 13	Sep. 2013	Jan.-Sep. 13
		Sep. 12	Jan.-Sep. 12		Sep. 12	Jan.-Sep. 12		
Consumer goods	12.7	3.5	8.0	10.0	5.6	-2.8	922	10,620
- <i>consumer durables</i>	2.9	3.1	9.7	1.2	5.1	-12.1	520	5,701
- <i>consumer non durables</i>	9.8	3.6	7.5	8.8	5.7	-1.5	402	4,919
Capital goods	16.7	9.3	4.9	5.7	18.5	-2.0	3,211	33,310
Intermediate goods	13.2	-8.7	-2.6	11.1	3.3	-3.6	12	5,426
Energy	3.5	-8.6	-14.5	20.1	-22.5	-19.8	-3,827	-37,975
Total (except energy)	42.6	1.8	3.5	26.8	7.0	-3.0	4,145	49,356
TOTAL	46.0	1.0	2.1	46.9	-5.7	-10.1	318	11,381

(a) Calculated on 2012 total foreign trade.

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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