

Foreign trade with non-EU countries: preliminary estimates

November 2013

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in November 2013. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in November 2013 will be disseminated on coming 16 January.

In November 2013, exports to non-EU countries decreased by 6.7% and imports decreased by 12.3% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a surplus of 2,380 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 1,726 million euro surplus in the same month of 2012.

In November 2013, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports decreased by 5.1% and imports decreased by 3.9% compared with October 2013. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 0.6% decrease in outgoing flows and a 2.6% decrease in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January-November 2013 exports to non-EU countries increased by 1.2% and imports decreased by 10.3% compared with the same period of 2012. The trade balance registered a surplus of 16,586 million euro compared to the deficit of 2,339 million euro in the same period of 2012. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 62,837 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 55,772 million euro surplus in January-November 2012.

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

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euro		Percentage changes		Millions of euro	Percentage changes	
	Nov. 2013	Jan.-Nov. 13	<u>Nov. 13</u> Nov. 12	<u>Jan.-Nov. 13</u> Jan.-Nov. 12	Nov. 2013	<u>Nov. 13</u> Oct. 13	<u>Sep.-Nov. 13</u> Jun.-Aug. 13
Exports	14,536	164,811	-6.7	1.2	14,394	-5.1	-0.6
Imports	12,156	148,225	-12.3	-10.3	12,659	-3.9	-2.6
Trade balance	2,380	16,586			1,735		

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

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 13		Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 13	Nov. 2013	Jan.-Nov. 13
		Nov. 12	Jan.-Nov. 12		Nov. 12	Jan.-Nov. 12		
European non-EU countries	13.5	-12.9	-3.0	10.9	3.0	3.5	568	7,233
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.6	-1.6	8.6	4.8	11.4	8.2	-674	-8,058
<i>Switzerland</i>	5.9	-27.2	-10.5	2.9	-19.4	-5.1	798	9,130
<i>Turkey</i>	2.7	-1.6	-5.1	1.4	8.7	4.1	359	4,214
North Africa	3.5	-5.0	6.6	7.1	-45.9	-27.8	-18	-4,836
Other African countries	1.4	9.5	5.9	2.2	1.6	-8.9	-133	-1,873
North America	7.6	2.3	0.8	3.8	12.2	-10.6	1,355	15,385
<i>United States</i>	6.9	2.3	0.2	3.3	9.4	-10.8	1,290	14,047
Central and South America	3.9	-11.2	-1.7	2.6	-12.2	-11.0	500	5,031
Middle Eastern countries	4.9	-3.7	5.9	6.6	-18.5	-18.8	-36	-662
Other Asian countries	9.2	-5.0	3.6	13.1	-11.7	-8.1	-258	-8,815
<i>China</i>	2.3	-3.4	9.5	6.6	-9.5	-8.7	-774	-12,428
<i>Japan</i>	1.5	-3.4	8.3	0.8	-5.4	-21.8	274	3,239
<i>India</i>	0.9	-14.4	-12.5	1.0	4.2	3.4	-60	-982
Oceania and other territories	1.9	-16.8	0.9	0.5	-13.7	-7.3	403	5,122
OPEC	5.7	-0.4	6.4	10.9	-43.6	-28.5	73	-6,088
MERCOSUR	1.6	9.9	15.2	1.2	10.3	-6.2	226	2,289
DAE	3.4	0.4	5.3	1.8	-15.7	-11.2	712	7,078
ASEAN	1.7	-15.9	2.3	1.7	-1.2	2.1	25	-11
Total	45.9	-6.7	1.2	46.8	-12.3	-10.3	2,380	16,586

(a) Calculated on 2012 total foreign trade.

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

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 13		Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 13	Nov. 2013	Jan.-Nov. 13
		Nov. 12	Jan.-Nov. 12		Nov. 12	Jan.-Nov. 12		
Consumer goods	12.7	-0.7	7.4	10.0	-8.3	-3.5	1,715	14,498
- <i>consumer durables</i>	2.9	-7.2	8.2	1.2	-7.9	-11.0	783	7,342
- <i>consumer non durables</i>	9.7	1.6	7.2	8.8	-8.4	-2.4	932	7,156
Capital goods	16.7	-2.6	4.0	5.8	-8.9	-2.0	3,729	40,846
Intermediate goods	13.2	-14.4	-4.4	11.0	-0.4	-4.5	660	7,493
Energy	3.5	-21.1	-14.2	20.0	-21.8	-19.3	-3,724	-46,252
Total (except energy)	42.5	-5.7	2.4	26.8	-5.3	-3.6	6,104	62,837
TOTAL	45.9	-6.7	1.2	46.8	-12.3	-10.3	2,380	16,586

(a) Calculated on 2012 total foreign trade.

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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