

Foreign Trade

July 2015

Istat presents data on Italy's foreign trade as well as unit value and volume indices (base year 2010=100) referring to July 2015. The results of the flash estimates on extra-EU trade for July-August 2015 will be disseminated on September 24th.

- In July 2015 seasonally-adjusted data, compared to June 2015, decreased by 0.4% for outgoing flows and by 3.7% for incoming flows. Exports increased for non EU countries (+1.0%) while decreased for EU countries (-1.5%). The fall of imports is due to a decrease for both areas: -1.7% for EU countries and -6.4% for non EU countries. During the last quarter, seasonally-adjusted data, in comparison with the previous quarter, showed a growth of 1.0% for exports and 2.7% for imports.
- In July 2015, compared with the same month of the previous year, trade increased for exports (+6.3%) and for imports (+4.2%). Outgoing flows increased by 5.7% for EU countries and by 7.0% for non EU countries. Incoming flows increased by 8.9% for EU area while decreased by 1.6% for non EU area. The trade balance in July amounted to +8.0 billion Euros (+3.0 billion Euros for EU area and +5.0 billion Euros for non EU countries).

Table 1 – Exports, imports and trade balance. July 2015

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euro		Percentage changes		Millions of euro		Percentage changes
	Jul. 2015	Jan.-Jul. 2015	Jul. 15 Jul. 14	Jan.-Jul. 15 Jan.-Jul. 14	Jul. 2015	Jul. 15 Jun. 15	May-Jul. 15 Feb.-Apr. 15
TOTAL							
Exports	41,056	247,708	6.3	5.2	34,836	-0.4	1.0
Imports	33,029	221,228	4.2	4.7	31,183	-3.7	2.7
Trade balance	8,026	26,480			3,653		
EU COUNTRIES							
Exports	22,131	135,988	5.7	4.1	19,018	-1.5	2.8
Imports	19,121	128,400	8.9	7.6	18,381	-1.7	3.1
Trade balance	3,010	7,588			637		
NON-EU COUNTRIES							
Exports	18,925	111,720	7.0	6.6	15,818	1.0	-1.2
Imports	13,908	92,829	-1.6	0.9	12,802	-6.4	2.0
Trade balance	5,016	18,892			3,016		

Table 2 – Exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings. July 2015

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage changes		Share (a)	Percentage changes		Millions of euro	
		Jul. 15	Jan.-Jul. 15		Jul. 15	Jan.-Jul. 15	Jul. 2015	Jan.-Jul. 2015
Consumer goods	31.6	6.7	6.2	28.6	4.0	7.8	3,739	14,019
- consumer durables	6.0	8.6	7.6	3.2	23.0	18.4	1,327	7,434
- consumer non	25.6	6.3	5.8	25.4	1.9	6.5	2,412	6,584
Capital goods	33.1	9.0	7.6	21.9	16.4	16.8	5,999	30,384
Intermediate goods	31.7	3.6	2.9	33.2	5.0	6.5	1,535	2,541
Energy	3.7	1.2	-5.3	16.3	-12.9	-19.8	-3,246	-20,465
Total (except energy)	96.3	6.5	5.6	83.7	7.5	9.6	11,272	46,944
Total	100.0	6.3	5.2	100.0	4.2	4.7	8,026	26,480

(a) Calculated on 2014 total foreign trade.

Table 3 – Exports, imports and trade balance by countries. July 2015

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage changes		Share (a)	Percentage changes		Millions of euro	
		Jul. 15	Jan.-Jul. 15		Jul. 15	Jan.-Jul. 15	Jul. 2015	Jan.-Jul. 2015
EU countries	54.7	5.7	4.1	57.1	8.9	7.6	3,010	7,588
EMU19:	40.3	5.4	2.8	45.3	9.1	6.9	985	-1,624
Austria	2.1	4.0	-0.2	2.4	4.5	2.6	46	-116
Belgium	3.3	42.3	13.6	4.3	23.3	17.9	-110	-1,802
France	10.6	2.5	0.1	8.6	2.6	4.9	1,272	6,585
Germany	12.6	2.2	0.3	15.4	8.3	5.0	-207	-3,427
Netherlands	2.3	-2.1	2.5	5.5	4.9	1.7	-735	-5,764
Spain	4.5	10.1	9.5	4.8	11.9	10.0	288	814
Poland	2.6	7.5	9.0	2.0	22.5	17.8	327	1,526
United Kingdom	5.3	7.6	9.5	2.8	-1.9	5.2	1,386	7,101
Czech Republic	1.2	5.5	9.3	1.4	17.9	17.7	-18	-335
Romania	1.6	3.9	5.6	1.6	5.2	9.4	95	349
Non-EU countries	45.3	7.0	6.6	42.9	-1.6	0.9	5,016	18,892
European non-EU countries	11.8	-7.4	-3.0	11.3	3.0	-4.7	858	3,212
Russian Federation	2.4	-34.7	-30.1	4.6	6.1	-16.1	-512	-4,511
Switzerland	4.8	-1.6	4.2	3.0	4.4	5.6	833	4,945
Turkey	2.5	14.9	10.9	1.6	3.3	13.1	470	2,262
North Africa	3.5	-7.2	-4.9	3.9	4.4	-8.9	104	628
Other African countries	1.6	8.7	3.6	2.1	-14.6	-2.1	-58	-1,264
North America	8.3	22.9	26.3	4.2	-11.7	7.2	2,845	14,453
United States	7.5	22.9	26.7	3.5	-2.3	17.0	2,599	13,205
Central and South America	3.5	10.6	3.5	2.7	-15.0	-2.1	668	2,578
Middle Eastern countries	5.0	21.6	13.4	4.7	-13.7	-10.4	790	3,752
Other Asian countries	9.8	7.0	3.9	13.5	5.3	11.7	-767	-7,695
China	2.6	3.8	1.3	7.1	4.8	15.2	-1,593	-10,318
Japan	1.3	-4.7	-0.5	0.8	7.0	14.8	328	1,439
India	0.8	10.6	13.2	1.2	-14.4	3.5	-6	-507
Oceania and other	1.8	11.2	8.0	0.5	2.9	2.7	576	3,228
OPEC	5.7	9.3	5.3	5.8	-4.2	-9.7	416	2,568
MERCOSUR	1.7	1.6	-9.0	1.3	8.6	6.4	147	695
DAE	3.8	14.1	4.3	1.8	19.8	17.1	1,015	4,943
ASEAN	1.8	8.3	-1.4	1.9	17.2	12.5	-21	-520
Total	100.0	6.3	5.2	100.0	4.2	4.7	8,026	26,480

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Table 4 - Index unit values and volume. July 2015

	INDEXES		PERCENTAGE CHANGES			
	Unit value indexes	Volume indexes	Unit value indexes		Volume indexes	
	Jul. 2015	Jul. 2015	Jul. 15 Jul. 14	Jan.-Jul. 15 Jan.-Jul. 14	Jul. 15 Jul. 14	Jan.-Jul. 15 Jan.-Jul. 14
TOTAL						
Exports	117.9	123.9	1.6	2.5	4.6	2.7
Imports	107.7	100.2	-3.2	-2.9	7.7	7.8
EU COUNTRIES						
Exports	115.6	117.5	1.0	1.1	4.6	2.9
Imports	109.6	103.2	1.0	0.3	7.8	7.3
NON-EU COUNTRIES						
Exports	120.8	132.5	2.4	4.1	4.6	2.4
Imports	105.2	96.4	-8.2	-6.5	7.1	7.9

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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