

Foreign trade with non-EU countries

October 2016

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in October 2016. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in October 2016 will be disseminated on coming 16 December.

In October 2016 exports to non-EU countries decreased by 2.3% and imports decreased by 5.5% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a surplus of 3,848 million euro compared with a 3,529 million euro surplus in the same month of 2015.

In October 2016, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports decreased by 1.1% and imports decreased by 3.6% compared with September 2016. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data of outgoing flows showed a 1.2% increase in outgoing flows and a 1.4% increase in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January-October 2016 exports to non-EU countries decreased by 2.4% and imports decreased by 7.7% compared with the same period of 2015. The trade balance registered a surplus of 30,227 million euro compared to the surplus of 24,029 million euro in the same period of 2015. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 50,985 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 50,755 million euro surplus in January-October 2015.

TABLE 1. EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE WITH NON-EU COUNTRIES. October 2016

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED			
	Millions of euros		Percentage changes		Millions of euros		Percentage changes	
	Oct.2016	Jan.-Oct.16	<u>Oct.16</u> Oct.15	<u>Jan.-Oct.16</u> Jan.-Oct.15	Oct.2016	<u>Oct.16</u> Sep.16	<u>Aug.-Oct.16</u> May-Jul. 16	
Exports	15,841	150,089	-2.3	-2.4	15,259	-1.1	1.2	
Imports	11,993	119,862	-5.5	-7.7	12,199	3.6	1.4	
Trade balance	3,848	30,227			3,060			

TABLE 2. EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE WITH NON-EU COUNTRIES. October 2016

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS (b)			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of euros	
		Oct.16 Oct.15	Jan.-Oct.16 Jan.-Oct.15		Oct.16 Oct.15	Jan.-Oct.16 Jan.-Oct.15	Oct.2016	Jan.-Oct.16
European non-EU countries	10.8	-8.4	-3.3	10.5	-7.3	-11.1	695	6,620
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	1.7	-12.3	-7.1	3.9	-18.7	-29.9	-342	-3,336
<i>Switzerland</i>	4.7	-2.9	-1.8	2.9	-12.2	-2.1	799	6,875
<i>Turkey</i>	2.4	-16.5	-5.7	1.8	21.7	10.1	37	1,877
North Africa	3.2	-11.0	-6.4	3.1	-0.4	-15.9	207	1,816
Other African countries	1.4	-9.0	-18.2	2.1	-18.4	-20.7	-128	-1,185
North America	9.6	-2.3	0.3	4.2	2.3	-3.6	2,011	20,396
<i>United States</i>	8.7	-1.8	0.4	3.8	0.1	-3.6	1,805	18,504
Central and South America	3.3	8.2	-8.6	2.6	1.9	-6.4	436	3,060
Middle Eastern countries	5.2	-2.7	-7.5	4.1	-10.1	-16.2	647	5,307
Other Asian countries	9.8	2.5	2.0	14.3	-4.9	-0.6	-637	-10,955
<i>China</i>	2.5	9.5	4.2	7.6	-8.0	-3.0	-1,157	-14,274
<i>Japan</i>	1.3	7.5	9.4	0.8	9.1	29.8	201	1,581
<i>India</i>	0.8	-8.7	-3.7	1.1	27.4	4.6	-95	-941
Oceania and other territories	1.8	12.6	9.0	0.5	-13.9	-2.9	616	5,167
OPEC	5.5	1.7	-9.5	4.9	10.6	-4.3	378	1,982
MERCOSUR	1.4	-3.7	-18.1	1.3	5.3	0.3	-21	-131
ASEAN	1.7	11.4	2.7	2.1	-1.4	1.9	-11	-852
TOTAL	45.2	-2.3	-2.4	41.3	-5.5	-7.7	3,848	30,227

(a) Calculated on 2015 total foreign trade.

TABLE 3. EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND TRADE BALANCE BY MAIN INDUSTRIAL GROUPINGS. October 2016

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of euros	
		Oct.16 Oct.15	Jan.-Oct.16 Jan.-Oct.15		Oct.16 Oct.15	Jan.-Oct.16 Jan.-Oct.15	Oct.2016	Jan.-Oct.16
Consumer goods	13.6	-0.6	1.6	11.6	-4.6	-1.0	1,705	11,118
- consumer durables	3.1	-12.3	-5.0	1.4	-3.8	-1.6	696	5,670
- consumer non durables	10.5	3.3	3.6	10.1	-4.7	-0.9	1,009	5,449
Capital goods	17.6	-1.3	-1.8	7.2	2.4	4.7	3,654	35,126
Intermediate goods	11.9	-1.6	-1.9	11.8	-9.8	-5.5	767	4,741
Energy	2.1	-26.1	-35.4	10.8	-7.0	-25.2	-2,278	-20,758
Total (except energy)	43.1	-1.2	-0.8	30.6	-5.0	-1.4	6,126	50,985
TOTAL	45.2	-2.3	-2.4	41.3	-5.5	-7.7	3,848	30,227

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For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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