

## Foreign Trade

September 2010

Istat presents data on Italy's foreign trade as well as unit value and volume indices (base year 2005=100) referring to September 2010. The results of the flash estimates on extra-EU trade for September 2010 data will be disseminated on coming November 19<sup>th</sup>.

- In September 2010, compared with the same month of the previous year, trade raised by 16.4% for exports (12.8% for non EU countries and 19.0% for EU area) and by 23.9% (+31.8% for non EU and +18.3 for EU countries) for imports. The trade balance amounts to -3.2 billion Euro (table 1) compared with the -1 billion Euro registered in the same month of 2009.
- September 2010 seasonally-adjusted data, compared to August, presented an increase for exports (+3.0 %) with a higher performance for EU area (+3.4%) and a lower increase (+2.5%) for non EU countries. Imports are quite stable (+0.1%), with opposite dynamics: +1.1% for EU countries and -1.2% on extra-EU side. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data, in comparison with the previous three months, showed an increase of 4.0% in outgoing flows and of 2.9% in incoming flows.
- In the period January-September 2010, compared with the same period of the previous year, trade increased by 14.3% for exports (15.1% for non EU countries and 13.7% for EU area) and by 20.9% (26.5 for non EU and 16.6% for EU countries) for imports. The trade balance showed a deficit of 19.2 billion Euro (table 1) which increased the negative result of 4.1 billion Euro registered in the same period of the previous year.

Table 1 - Exports, imports and trade balance. September 2010

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euro		Share		Millions of euro	Share	
	Sep. 2010	Jan.-Sep. 10	Sep. 10 Sep. 09	Jan.-Sep. 10 Jan.-Sep. 09	Sep. 10	Sep. 10 Aug. 10	Jul-Sep. 10 Apr.-Jun 10
<b>TOTAL</b>							
Exports	29,999	246,224	16.4	14.3	28,932	3.0	4.0
Imports	33,186	265,448	23.9	20.9	30,954	0.1	2.9
Trade balance	-3,187	-19,224			-2,022		
<b>EU COUNTRIES</b>							
Exports	18,191	141,933	19.0	13.7	16,686	3.4	4.6
Imports	18,631	145,205	18.3	16.6	17,198	1.1	3.0
Trade balance	-440	-3,272			-512		
<b>NON-EU COUNTRIES</b>							
Exports	11,808	104,291	12.8	15.1	12,246	2.5	3.2
Imports	14,555	120,243	31.8	26.5	13,756	-1.2	2.9
Trade balance	-2,747	-15,952			-1,510		

Table 2 – Exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings. September 2010

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage changes		Share (a)	Percentage changes		Millions of euro	
		Sep. 10	Jan.-Sep. 10		Sep. 10	Jan.-Sep. 10	Sep. 2010	Jan.-Sep. 10
		Sep. 09	Jan.-Sep. 09		Sep. 09	Jan.-Sep. 09		
Consumer goods	30.2	17.4	11.6	27.7	14.6	11.0	541	4,473
- consumer durables	6.6	12.8	9.9	3.7	7.8	17.3	667	6,010
- consumer non durables	23.6	18.6	12.0	24.0	15.7	10.0	-126	-1,537
Capital goods	33.5	10.4	9.8	24.5	8.8	11.5	2,417	19,973
Intermediate goods	32.8	19.0	17.0	30.4	41.7	34.0	-2,448	-6,059
Energy	3.5	39.9	56.3	17.5	26.2	27.4	-3,698	-37,611
Total (except energy)	96.5	15.5	12.8	82.5	23.4	19.5	511	18,387
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>23.9</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>-3,187</b>	<b>-19,224</b>

(a) Calculated on 2009 total foreign trade.

Table 3 - Exports, imports and trade balance by countries. September 2010

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage changes		Share (a)	Percentage changes		Millions of euro	
		Sep. 10	Jan.-Sep. 10		Sep. 10	Jan.-Sep. 10	Sep. 2010	Jan.-Sep. 10
		Sep. 09	Jan.-Sep. 09		Sep. 09	Jan.-Sep. 09		
<b>EU countries</b>	<b>57.6</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>57.4</b>	<b>18.3</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>-440</b>	<b>-3,272</b>
EMU16:	44.1	15.9	12.9	46.3	18.5	16.2	-1,583	-8,712
<i>Austria</i>	2.4	18.6	13.3	2.4	22.9	21.8	-44	-499
<i>Belgium</i>	2.8	14.4	7.8	4.0	8.6	10.4	-543	-3,305
<i>France</i>	11.6	17.6	13.9	8.9	14.5	15.4	712	6,625
<i>Germany</i>	12.7	20.6	16.6	16.7	21.5	16.4	-1,421	-9,834
<i>Netherlands</i>	2.4	24.0	17.5	5.7	23.0	17.0	-1,087	-8,042
<i>Spain</i>	5.7	13.1	18.2	4.4	22.2	22.4	306	2,754
Poland	2.7	11.9	5.6	2.2	8.5	11.3	170	873
United Kingdom	5.1	48.4	20.5	3.3	15.0	17.9	1,054	4,936
<b>Non-EU countries</b>	<b>42.4</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>42.6</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>26.5</b>	<b>-2,747</b>	<b>-15,952</b>
European non-EU countries	11.7	26.9	16.7	11.3	5.6	11.3	556	1,481
<i>Russian Federation</i>	2.2	39.9	16.8	4.1	-2.3	4.9	-227	-3,822
<i>Switzerland</i>	4.6	25.8	15.5	3.5	19.4	12.7	372	2,788
<i>Turkey</i>	1.9	31.7	44.9	1.5	2.7	17.3	266	2,001
North Africa	4.0	11.2	13.0	6.8	36.5	17.3	-962	-8,416
Other African countries	1.6	-29.4	-2.1	1.5	-15.7	28.1	-161	-826
North America	6.6	37.8	18.3	3.6	12.6	16.2	867	7,576
<i>United States</i>	5.9	42.0	19.0	3.2	11.2	15.6	810	6,918
Central and South America	3.1	-22.8	21.3	2.5	40.7	27.4	-54	730
Middle Eastern countries	5.2	9.0	6.1	4.1	64.7	79.4	-383	-3,551
Other Asian countries	8.7	8.8	18.3	12.5	54.8	32.1	-2,861	-15,392
<i>China</i>	2.3	47.7	31.6	6.5	67.3	36.7	-2,424	-14,062
<i>Japan</i>	1.3	22.2	5.1	1.3	1.7	8.2	7	-359
<i>India</i>	0.9	22.2	22.0	1.0	49.5	26.5	-108	-473
Oceania and other territories	1.6	1.8	12.3	0.5	16.8	16.1	252	2,447
OPEC	6.1	-2.7	-1.4	8.4	46.1	35.4	-1,568	-12,204
MERCOSUR	1.2	45.8	51.3	1.3	48.6	24.0	-46	29
DAE	3.0	25.2	19.4	1.9	32.8	31.7	7	1,909
ASEAN	1.5	13.8	10.4	1.5	53.6	24.9	-240	-886
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>23.9</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>-3,187</b>	<b>-19,224</b>

(a) Calculated on 2009 total foreign trade.

Table 4 - Index unit values and volume – September 2010

	INDEXES		PERCENTAGE CHANGES			
	Unit value indexes	Volume indexes	Unit value indexes		Volume indexes	
	September 2010	September 2010	Sep. 10 Sep. 09	Jan.-Sep. 10 Jan.-Sep. 09	Sep. 10 Sep. 09	Jan.-Sep. 10 Jan.-Sep. 09
	<b>TOTAL</b>					
Exports	123.5	97.2	7.9	5.3	7.9	8.5
Imports	123.3	104.4	11.4	9.2	11.2	10.8
	<b>EU COUNTRIES</b>					
Exports	120.6	98.5	9.2	6.2	8.9	7.1
Imports	114.1	106.6	6.1	4.6	11.5	11.5
	<b>NON-EU COUNTRIES</b>					
Exports	127.6	95.5	6.0	4.3	6.4	10.4
Imports	135.0	103.2	18.1	14.1	11.6	10.9

**For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version**Date of previous release: November 15<sup>th</sup> 2010Date of next release: December 15<sup>th</sup> 2010

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