

Foreign trade with non-EU countries: preliminary estimates

October 2011

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in October 2011. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in October 2011 will be disseminated on coming 19 December.

In October 2011, exports to non-EU countries increased by 8.4% and imports by 1.9% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a deficit of 808 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 1,647 million euro deficit in the same month of 2010.

In October 2011, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports decreased by 5.1% and imports increased by 0.2% compared with September 2011. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 1.5% increase in outgoing flows and a 0.5% decrease in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January-October 2011 exports to non-EU countries increased by 15.7% and imports by 16.4% compared with the same period of 2010. The trade balance registered a deficit of 22,364 million euro compared to the deficit of 18,556 million euro in the same period of 2010. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 28,107 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 24,173 million euro surplus in January-October 2010.

Table 1- Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries – October 2011

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euro		Percentage changes		Millions of euro	Percentage changes	
	Oct. 2011	Jan.-Oct. 11	<u>Oct. 11</u> Oct. 10	<u>Jan.-Oct. 11</u> Jan.-Oct. 10	Oct. 2011	<u>Oct. 11</u> Sep. 11	<u>Ago.-Oct. 11</u> May-Jul. 11
Exports	14,402	135,743	8.4	15.7	13,586	-5.1	1.5
Imports	15,210	158,107	1.9	16.4	15,456	0.2	-0.5
Trade balance	-808	-22,364			-1,869		

Table 2 - Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries. - October 2011

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS (b)			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Oct. 11	Jan.-Oct. 11		Oct. 11	Jan.-Oct. 11	Oct. 2011	Jan.-Oct. 11
		Oct. 10	Jan.-Oct. 10		Oct. 10	Jan.-Oct. 10		
European non-EU countries	12.0	17.5	24.8	10.3	16.7	20.7	791	3,732
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.3	-0.6	19.6	4.0	46.1	30.1	-926	-7,327
<i>Switzerland</i>	4.7	36.3	30.9	2.8	1.8	10.6	1,045	7,316
<i>Turkey</i>	2.4	13.3	22.7	1.4	7.4	19.8	319	2,888
North Africa	4.0	-33.9	-18.3	6.8	-48.5	-27.0	-223	-5,949
Other African countries	1.3	13.3	13.3	1.5	80.0	80.1	-538	-4,178
North America	6.7	6.8	12.3	3.4	6.9	18.3	1,077	8,967
<i>United States</i>	6.0	7.4	12.1	3.0	7.3	19.3	1,013	8,098
Central and South America	3.3	8.4	29.2	2.7	16.9	28.0	150	1,248
Middle Eastern countries	4.8	15.4	16.0	5.7	48.2	42.1	-1,176	-9,521
Other Asian countries	9.0	14.8	16.6	14.2	-16.6	13.5	-1,247	-19,821
<i>China</i>	2.6	16.7	18.3	7.8	-27.4	7.8	-1,381	-17,148
<i>Japan</i>	1.2	16.6	18.9	1.2	-8.5	-0.9	133	298
<i>India</i>	1.0	8.1	18.2	1.0	15.7	29.2	-131	-1,034
Oceania and other territories	1.6	2.0	14.8	0.5	34.7	23.9	357	3,157
OPEC	5.3	-8.7	-0.8	9.5	-2.9	0.1	-1,358	-14,150
MERCOSUR	1.5	10.0	22.3	1.3	36.3	29.1	-9	-176
DAE	3.1	14.1	17.5	2.1	-17.7	13.1	411	2,689
ASEAN	1.4	17.7	21.6	1.6	24.6	25.1	-97	-1,329
Total	42.7	8.4	15.7	45.2	1.9	16.4	-808	-22,364

(a) Calculated on 2010 total foreign trade.

Table 3 - Exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings - October, 2011

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Oct. 11	Jan.-Oct. 11		Oct. 11	Jan.-Oct. 11	Oct. 2011	Jan.-Oct. 11
		Oct. 10	Jan.-Oct. 10		Oct. 10	Jan.-Oct. 10		
Consumer goods	11.8	10.3	14.7	10.1	6.6	10.4	1,018	3,209
- consumer durables	2.8	-2.3	10.1	1.4	-0.7	-4.5	536	4,281
- consumer non durables	9.0	14.6	16.1	8.7	7.8	12.8	483	-1,072
Capital goods	16.0	3.8	15.5	5.9	-21.8	7.1	3,371	31,174
Intermediate goods	12.3	12.4	14.8	12.4	-5.0	22.0	137	-6,275
Energy	2.6	9.1	26.1	16.8	14.8	19.2	-5,335	-50,471
Total (except energy)	40.1	8.4	15.0	28.4	-5.3	14.7	4,526	28,107
TOTAL	42.7	8.4	15.7	45.2	1.9	16.4	-808	-22,364

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For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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