

**Foreign trade with non-EU countries:  
preliminary estimates**

*December 2013*

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in December 2013. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in December 2013 will be disseminated on coming 18 February.

In December 2013, exports to non-EU countries increased by 2.1% and imports increased by 0.5% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a surplus of 3,425 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 3,167 million euro surplus in the same month of 2012.

In December 2013, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports increased by 7.1% and imports increased by 6.8% compared with November 2013. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 0.5% increase in outgoing flows and a 2.0% decrease in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In 2013 exports to non-EU countries increased by 1.3% and imports decreased by 9.5% compared with 2012. The trade balance registered a surplus of 20,009 million euro compared to the deficit of 827 million euro in 2012. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 70,062 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 63,369 million euro surplus in 2012.

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

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euro		Percentage changes		Millions of euro	Percentage changes	
	Dec. 2013	Jan.-Dec. 13	<u>Dec. 13</u> <u>Dec. 12</u>	<u>Jan.-Dec. 13</u> <u>Jan.-Dec. 12</u>	Dec. 2013	<u>Dec. 13</u> <u>Nov. 13</u>	<u>Oct.-Dec. 13</u> <u>Jul.-Sep. 13</u>
Exports	15,748	180,559	2.1	1.3	15,456	7.1	0.5
Imports	12,324	160,550	0.5	-9.5	13,640	6.8	-2.0
Trade balance	3,425	20,009			1,816		

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

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Dec. 13	Jan.-Dec. 13		Dec. 13	Jan.-Dec. 13	Dec. 2013	Jan.-Dec. 13
		Dec. 12	Jan.-Dec. 12		Dec. 12	Jan.-Dec. 12		
European non-EU countries	13.4	-5.3	-3.2	10.9	24.0	5.1	-111	7,119
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.6	3.2	8.2	4.8	22.2	9.5	-1,200	-9,259
<i>Switzerland</i>	5.9	-14.2	-10.8	2.9	10.1	-4.1	755	9,883
<i>Turkey</i>	2.7	-0.6	-4.8	1.4	12.9	4.8	363	4,576
North Africa	3.5	29.2	8.6	7.1	-43.1	-29.0	370	-4,467
Other African countries	1.4	-2.6	5.1	2.2	54.3	-5.7	-142	-2,015
North America	7.6	14.6	1.8	3.8	21.2	-8.6	1,526	16,910
<i>United States</i>	6.8	17.3	1.5	3.3	24.2	-8.8	1,444	15,490
Central and South America	3.9	-14.1	-2.9	2.6	24.5	-8.9	604	5,634
Middle Eastern countries	4.9	-7.5	4.5	6.6	-27.7	-19.4	620	-44
Other Asian countries	9.2	8.7	4.1	13.1	3.3	-7.4	38	-8,777
<i>China</i>	2.3	9.2	9.5	6.6	11.1	-7.5	-854	-13,282
<i>Japan</i>	1.4	-6.5	7.0	0.8	20.0	-19.5	223	3,462
<i>India</i>	0.9	3.4	-11.1	1.0	49.2	6.0	-19	-1,001
Oceania and other territories	1.9	-5.4	0.4	0.5	14.5	-6.0	522	5,649
OPEC	5.7	4.9	6.3	10.8	-39.3	-29.3	466	-5,624
MERCOSUR	1.6	11.0	14.8	1.2	35.2	-3.9	324	2,613
DAE	3.4	6.6	5.4	1.8	8.4	-9.9	818	7,895
ASEAN	1.7	7.8	2.9	1.7	9.1	2.6	239	229
<b>Total</b>	<b>45.7</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>-9.5</b>	<b>3,425</b>	<b>20,009</b>

(a) Calculated on 2012 total foreign trade.

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

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Dec. 13	Jan.-Dec. 13		Dec. 13	Jan.-Dec. 13	Dec. 2013	Jan.-Dec. 13
		Dec. 12	Jan.-Dec. 12		Dec. 12	Jan.-Dec. 12		
<b>Consumer goods</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>-2.8</b>	<b>1,668</b>	<b>16,165</b>
- <i>consumer durables</i>	2.9	7.0	8.1	1.2	9.8	-9.8	754	8,095
- <i>consumer non durables</i>	9.7	10.8	7.5	8.7	6.6	-1.8	915	8,069
<b>Capital goods</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>4,503</b>	<b>45,350</b>
<b>Intermediate goods</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>-6.0</b>	<b>-4.5</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>1,054</b>	<b>8,547</b>
<b>Energy</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>-13.3</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>-11.9</b>	<b>-18.8</b>	<b>-3,801</b>	<b>-50,052</b>
<b>Total (except energy)</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>26.7</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>7,225</b>	<b>70,062</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>45.7</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>-9.5</b>	<b>3,425</b>	<b>20,009</b>

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