

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

*September 2011*

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in September 2011. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in September 2011 will be disseminated on coming 15 November.

In September 2011, exports to non-EU countries increased by 18.7% and imports by 3.9% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a deficit of 1,455 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 3,083 million euro deficit in the same month of 2010.

In September 2011, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports increased by 4.9% and imports decreased by 2.8% compared with August 2011. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 2.9% increase in outgoing flows and a 2.8% decrease in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January-September 2011 exports to non-EU countries increased by 16.8% and imports by 18.7% compared with the same period of 2010. The trade balance registered a deficit of 21,976 million euro compared to the deficit of 16,791 million euro in the same period of 2010. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 23,023 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 21,239 million euro surplus in January- September 2010.

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

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euro		Percentage changes		Millions of euro	Percentage changes	
	Sep. 2011	Jan.-Sep. 11	<u>Sep. 11</u> <u>Sep. 10</u>	<u>Jan.-Sep. 11</u> <u>Jan.-Sep. 10</u>	Sep. 2011	<u>Sep. 11</u> <u>Aug. 11</u>	<u>Jul.-Sep. 11</u> <u>Apr.-Jun 11</u>
Exports	14,013	121,682	18.7	16.8	14,512	4.9	2.9
Imports	15,468	143,658	3.9	18.7	15,314	-2.8	-2.7
Trade balance	-1,455	-21,976			-802		

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

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS (b)			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Sep. 11	Jan.-Sep. 11		Sep. 11	Jan.-Sep. 11	Sep. 2011	Jan.-Sep. 11
		Sep. 10	Jan.-Sep. 10		Sep. 10	Jan.-Sep. 10		
European non-EU countries	12.1	31.8	26.1	10.3	12.8	21.4	1,223	3,053
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.3	16.1	22.9	3.6	38.3	33.3	-556	-5,659
<i>Switzerland</i>	4.7	48.5	30.8	3.2	-0.7	11.1	1,063	5,323
<i>Turkey</i>	2.4	17.9	23.5	1.4	-0.5	21.5	390	2,548
North Africa	4.0	-7.7	-15.8	6.7	-43.4	-20.9	-252	-6,217
Other African countries	1.3	37.4	13.4	1.6	117.4	80.7	-596	-3,667
North America	6.7	4.1	13.1	3.4	20.0	20.5	699	7,828
<i>United States</i>	6.0	1.3	12.7	3.0	18.7	21.6	626	7,020
Central and South America	3.3	25.3	32.0	2.7	2.8	29.3	143	1,109
Middle Eastern countries	4.8	21.8	16.1	5.7	50.2	41.7	-1,004	-8,392
Other Asian countries	9.0	13.7	16.9	14.2	-11.4	17.2	-2,005	-18,525
<i>China</i>	2.5	14.9	18.3	7.8	-19.0	12.5	-1,811	-15,654
<i>Japan</i>	1.2	29.0	18.4	1.2	2.3	0.5	93	143
<i>India</i>	1.0	3.4	19.6	1.0	14.8	31.3	-158	-905
Oceania and other territories	1.6	24.6	16.8	0.5	13.5	20.3	337	2,834
OPEC	5.3	10.0	0.4	9.4	-11.1	3.3	-1,265	-13,332
MERCOSUR	1.5	23.5	23.9	1.3	7.2	28.0	22	-154
DAE	3.0	26.8	18.5	2.1	-17.5	17.5	356	2,290
ASEAN	1.4	25.4	22.4	1.6	9.5	25.6	-214	-1,239
<b>Total</b>	<b>42.7</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>45.1</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>-1,455</b>	<b>-21,976</b>

(a) Calculated on 2010 total foreign trade.

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

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Sep. 11	Jan.-Sep. 11		Sep. 11	Jan.-Sep. 11	Sep. 2011	Jan.-Sep. 11
		Sep. 10	Jan.-Sep. 10		Sep. 10	Jan.-Sep. 10		
Consumer goods	11.8	19.3	15.8	10.1	2.1	10.4	582	2,471
- consumer durables	2.8	28.8	14.0	1.4	-10.2	-5.0	536	3,892
- consumer non durables	9.0	16.7	16.3	8.7	3.9	12.9	46	-1,420
Capital goods	16.0	14.8	17.0	5.9	-9.5	9.4	2,983	28,127
Intermediate goods	12.2	19.1	15.3	12.4	-3.6	29.3	-383	-7,575
Energy	2.6	35.6	26.9	16.7	17.9	19.6	-4,637	-44,999
Total (except energy)	40.0	17.5	16.1	28.4	-2.8	18.3	3,182	23,023
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42.7</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>45.1</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>-1,455</b>	<b>-21,976</b>

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