

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

January 2012

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in January 2012. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in January 2012 will be disseminated on coming 16 March.

In January 2012, exports to non-EU countries increased by 4.8% and imports by 0.2% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a deficit of 5,105 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 5,584 million euro deficit in the same month of 2011.

In January 2012, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports decreased by 5% and imports increased by 2.8% compared with December 2011. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 2.6% increase in outgoing flows and a 1.3% decrease in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

Table 1- Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries – January 2012

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	MILLIONS OF EUROS	PERCENTAGE CHANGES	MILLIONS OF EUROS	PERCENTAGE CHANGES	
	January 2012	<u>January 12</u> January 11	January 2012	<u>Jan.12</u> Dec.11	<u>Nov.11-Jan. 12</u> Aug.-Oct. 11
Exports	11,264	4.8	14,036	-5.0	2.6
Imports	16,369	0.2	15,497	2.8	-1.3
Trade balance	-5,105		-1,461		

Table 2 - Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries – January 2012

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS (b)		IMPORTS		TRADE BALANCE
	SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES	SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES	MILLIONS OF EUROS January 12
		January 12 January 11		January 12 January 11	
European non-EU countries	12.0	22.0	10.3	-2.8	98
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.3	21.7	4.0	3.7	-985
<i>Switzerland</i>	4.7	33.4	2.8	0.0	812
<i>Turkey</i>	2.4	-0.5	1.4	-21.4	226
North Africa	4.0	-12.8	6.8	-12.3	-1,611
Other African countries	1.3	8.0	1.5	55.4	-747
North America	6.7	-18.5	3.4	12.4	282
<i>United States</i>	6.0	-19.1	3.0	15.2	256
Central and South America	3.3	5.8	2.7	-10.8	0
Middle Eastern countries	4.8	19.1	5.7	9.2	-813
Other Asian countries	9.0	1.6	14.2	-2.2	-2,529
<i>China</i>	2.6	-11.8	7.8	-15.8	-1,732
<i>Japan</i>	1.2	12.4	1.2	-6.2	8
<i>India</i>	1.0	-15.0	1.0	-5.8	-186
Oceania and other territories	1.6	5.4	0.5	-21.2	215
OPEC	5.3	15.5	9.5	13.5	-2,579
MERCOSUR	1.5	-3.1	1.3	-11.2	-31
DAE	3.1	0.8	2.1	-6.4	131
ASEAN	1.4	-2.6	1.6	-0.8	-184
TOTAL	42.7	4.8	45.2	0.2	-5,105

(a) Calculated on revised 2010 total foreign trade.

Table 3 – Exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings – January 2012

MIGS	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TRADE BALANCE
	SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES	SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES	MILLIONS OF EUROS January 12
		January 12 January 11		January 12 January 11	
Consumer goods	11.8	6.0	10.1	3.8	-392
- <i>consumer durables</i>	2.8	-2.5	1.4	3.7	130
- <i>consumer non durables</i>	9.0	8.1	8.7	3.8	-522
Capital goods	16.0	-8.1	5.9	-2.7	1,835
Intermediate goods	12.3	7.4	12.4	-18.5	-527
Energy	2.6	55.0	16.8	12.4	-6,022
Total (except energy)	40.1	0.7	28.4	-7.8	917
TOTAL	42.7	4.8	45.2	0.2	-5,105

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For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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