

Foreign trade with non-EU countries: preliminary estimates

November 2014

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in November 2014. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in November 2014 will be disseminated on coming 20 January.

In November 2014, exports to non-EU countries increased by 2.6% and imports increased by 0.1% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a surplus of 2,715 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 2,343 million euro surplus in the same month of 2013.

In November 2014, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports decreased by 1.8% and imports increased by 1.9% compared with October 2014. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 3.2% increase in outgoing flows and a 0.5% decrease in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January-November 2014 exports to non-EU countries decreased by 0.6% and imports decreased by 5.1% compared with the same period of 2013. The trade balance registered a surplus of 22,795 million euro compared to the surplus of 16,214 million euro in the same period of 2013. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 59,486 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 62,914 million euro surplus in January-November 2013.

Table 1 - Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries – November 2014

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euro		Percentage changes		Millions of euro	Percentage changes	
	Nov. 2014	Jan.-Nov. 14	Nov. 14 Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 14 Jan.-Nov. 13	Nov. 2014	Nov. 14 Oct. 14	Sep.-Nov. 14 Jun.-Aug. 14
Exports	14,877	163,741	2.6	-0.6	15,032	-1.8	3.2
Imports	12,163	140,945	0.1	-5.1	12,819	1.9	-0.5
Trade balance	2,715	22,795			2,213		

Table 2 - Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries - November 2014

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS (b)			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Nov. 14 Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 14 Jan.-Nov. 13		Nov. 14 Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 14 Jan.-Nov. 13	Nov. 2014	Jan.-Nov. 14
European non-EU countries	13.0	-5.9	-7.9	12.1	-7.1	-6.4	550	5,829
<i>Russian Fed,</i>	2.8	-23.2	-11.7	5.6	-23.6	-17.0	-527	-6,293
<i>Switzerland</i>	5.2	4.0	-7.6	2.9	21.3	-0.3	675	7,616
<i>Turkey</i>	2.6	-2.6	-4.9	1.5	10.8	2.4	285	3,641
North Africa	3.8	-4.9	-2.8	5.3	8.2	-29.9	-175	183
Other African countries	1.5	5.1	6.3	2.1	-4.9	0.6	-82	-1,593
North America	7.7	13.8	9.0	3.6	10.7	13.6	1,571	16,252
<i>United States</i>	6.9	15.0	9.9	3.2	8.3	8.0	1,541	15,661
Central and South America	3.7	3.6	-5.0	2.5	9.1	6.8	481	3,789
Middle Eastern countries	5.1	7.3	-1.9	5.6	-23.2	-18.8	433	2,419
Other Asian countries	9.5	3.2	4.3	12.8	11.5	4.0	-512	-9,080
<i>China</i>	2.5	2.2	5.9	6.4	20.5	7.9	-1,049	-13,552
<i>Japan</i>	1.5	-19.6	-11.9	0.7	27.2	6.5	133	2,416
<i>India</i>	0.8	12.9	0.6	1.1	12.7	6.8	-67	-1,217
Oceania and other territories	1.9	12.5	-2.4	0.5	21.1	-1.0	448	4,996
OPEC	6.0	3.8	-3.3	8.1	-6.7	-30.4	238	1,389
MERCOSUR	1.8	-8.1	-7.8	1.3	4.4	0.9	162	1,741
DAE	3.6	8.7	9.7	1.7	11.3	4.0	759	8,031
ASEAN	1.7	19.7	6.7	1.8	6.0	4.1	98	121
Total	46.2	2.6	-0.6	44.6	0.1	-5.1	2,715	22,795

(a) Calculated on 2013 total foreign trade.

Table 3 - Exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings – November 2014

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of Euro	
		Nov. 14 Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 14 Jan.-Nov. 13		Nov. 14 Nov. 13	Jan.-Nov. 14 Jan.-Nov. 13	Nov. 2014	Jan.-Nov. 14
Consumer goods	13.6	2.2	0.5	10.2	15.3	5.3	1,391	12,905
- <i>consumer durables</i>	3.1	6.7	-0.2	1.2	8.4	6.1	828	7,078
- <i>consumer non durables</i>	10.4	0.8	0.7	9.0	16.3	5.2	563	5,826
Capital goods	17.2	6.0	2.9	6.1	16.8	2.4	3,724	41,877
Intermediate goods	12.5	1.3	-3.6	11.0	9.9	4.2	532	4,704
Energy	3.0	-11.4	-13.2	17.2	-21.4	-19.9	-2,932	-36,691
Total (except energy)	43.2	3.5	0.3	27.3	13.5	4.2	5,647	59,486
TOTAL	46.2	2.6	-0.6	44.6	0.1	-5.1	2,715	22,795

(a) Calculated on 2013 total foreign trade.

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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