

Foreign trade with non-EU countries

September 2015

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in September 2015. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in September 2015 will be disseminated on coming 17 November.

In September 2015, exports to non-EU countries decreased by 2.2% and imports decreased by 1.6% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a surplus of 1,429 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 1,533 million euro surplus in the same month of 2014.

In September 2015, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports increased by 5.2% and imports increased by 1.5% compared with August 2015. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 4.2% decrease in outgoing flows and a 5.4% decrease in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January-September 2015 exports to non-EU countries increased by 4.7% and imports increased by 0.4% compared with the same period of 2014. The trade balance registered a surplus of 21,704 million euro compared to the surplus of 16,056 million euro in the same period of 2014. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 44,964 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 47,013 million euro surplus in January-September 2014.

Table 1. Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries – September 2015

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	Millions of euros		Percentage changes		Millions of euros	Percentage changes	
	Sep. 2015	Jan.-Sep. 15	Sep. 15 Sep. 14	Jan.-Sep. 15 Jan.-Sep. 14	Sep. 2015	Sep. 15 Aug. 15	Jul.-Sep. 15 Apr.-Jun. 15
Exports	14,733	137,980	-2.2	4.7	15,183	5.2	-4.2
Imports	13,304	116,276	-1.6	0.4	12,567	1.5	-5.4
Trade balance	1,429	21,704			2,616		

Table 2. Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries - September 2015

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS ^(b)			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of euros	
		Sep. 15	Jan.-Sep. 15		Sep. 15	Jan.-Sep. 15	Sep. 2015	Jan.-Sep. 15
		Sep. 14	Jan.-Sep. 14		Sep. 14	Jan.-Sep. 14		
European non-EU countries	11.8	-10.8	-4.7	11.3	-4.4	-4.6	434	4,025
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.4	-24.4	-28.4	4.6	-8.5	-15.3	-491	-5,472
<i>Switzerland</i>	4.8	-7.5	2.6	3.0	-1.0	4.8	621	6,132
<i>Turkey</i>	2.5	-4.9	6.6	1.6	21.6	15.4	164	2,645
North Africa	3.5	-24.5	-6.7	3.9	-26.9	-11.3	55	598
Other African countries	1.6	-15.6	-0.7	2.1	-19.0	-7.0	-123	-1,429
North America	8.3	17.0	24.1	4.2	9.8	7.3	1,791	17,765
<i>United States</i>	7.5	18.2	24.5	3.5	22.0	17.1	1,577	16,140
Central and South America	3.5	-4.2	2.2	2.7	6.1	-1.7	245	3,183
Middle Eastern countries	5.0	6.1	10.4	4.7	-0.1	-9.2	322	4,186
Other Asian countries	9.8	4.7	3.2	13.5	4.7	10.9	-1,756	-10,691
<i>China</i>	2.6	-9.2	-0.7	7.1	3.2	13.0	-1,953	-13,670
<i>Japan</i>	1.3	0.4	-0.4	0.8	13.1	14.9	163	1,750
<i>India</i>	0.8	20.5	13.3	1.2	0.3	2.4	-169	-689
Oceania and other territories	1.8	-19.2	2.1	0.5	-0.6	3.4	460	4,067
OPEC	5.7	-17.5	1.6	5.8	-16.3	-11.3	269	2,835
MERCOSUR	1.7	-16.6	-9.4	1.3	5.2	6.6	-0	724
DAE	3.8	8.2	3.6	1.8	19.1	17.2	577	6,045
ASEAN	1.8	-0.3	-2.0	1.9	11.4	11.9	-126	-776
TOTAL	45.3	-2.2	4.7	42.9	-1.6	0.4	1,429	21,704

(a) Calculated on 2014 total foreign trade.

Table 3. Exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings – September 2015

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of euros	
		Sep. 15	Jan.-Sep. 15		Sep. 15	Jan.-Sep. 15	Sep. 2015	Jan.-Sep. 15
		Sep. 14	Jan.-Sep. 14		Sep. 14	Jan.-Sep. 14		
Consumer goods	13.4	0.6	5.4	11.0	7.5	11.2	749	8,528
- <i>consumer durables</i>	3.1	5.0	6.1	1.3	5.9	19.7	538	5,323
- <i>consumer non durables</i>	10.3	-0.5	5.3	9.7	7.7	10.2	211	3,205
Capital goods	17.4	-2.1	5.5	6.4	9.4	16.6	3,446	33,957
Intermediate goods	11.9	-1.5	5.4	11.7	5.9	8.9	-336	2,479
Energy	2.5	-20.7	-8.8	13.8	-22.9	-21.8	-2,430	-23,261
Total (except energy)	42.8	-1.1	5.5	29.0	7.3	11.4	3,859	44,964
TOTAL	45.3	-2.2	4.7	42.9	-1.6	0.4	1,429	21,704

(a) Calculated on 2014 total foreign trade.

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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