

Extra-UE foreign trade

October 2015

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

In October 2015, exports to non-EU countries decreased by 4.5% and imports decreased by 2.4% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a surplus of 3,529 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 3,978 million euro surplus in the same month of 2014.

In October 2015, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports decreased by 1.7% and imports decreased by 0.2% compared with September 2015. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 5.8% decrease in outgoing flows and a 5.5% decrease in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January-October 2015 exports to non-EU countries increased by 3.7% and imports increased by 0.1% compared with the same period of 2014. The trade balance registered a surplus of 24,442 million euro compared to the surplus of 19,089 million euro in the same period of 2014. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 50,877 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 53,820 million euro surplus in January-October 2014.

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

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED			
	Millions of euros		Percentage changes		Millions of euros		Percentage changes	
	Oct. 2015	Jan.-Oct. 15	$\frac{\text{Oct. 15}}{\text{Oct. 14}}$	$\frac{\text{Jan.-Oct. 15}}{\text{Jan.-Oct. 14}}$	Oct. 2015	$\frac{\text{Oct. 15}}{\text{Sep. 15}}$	$\frac{\text{Aug.-Oct. 15}}{\text{May-Jul. 15}}$	
Exports	16,249	154,103	-4.5	3.7	14,886	-1.7	-5.8	
Imports	12,720	129,661	-2.4	0.1	12,501	-0.2	-5.5	
Trade balance	3,529	24,442			2,385			

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

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS ^(b)			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of euros	
		Oct. 15	Jan.-Oct. 15		Oct. 15	Jan.-Oct. 15	Oct. 2015	Jan.-Oct. 15
		Oct. 14	Jan.-Oct. 14		Oct. 14	Jan.-Oct. 14		
European non-EU countries	11.8	-6.5	-4.9	11.5	-1.4	-5.2	820	4,422
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.4	-20.6	-27.5	4.8	-11.1	-16.6	-467	-6,508
<i>Switzerland</i>	4.8	-3.2	1.9	2.9	2.5	4.7	728	6,909
<i>Turkey</i>	2.4	-8.6	5.0	1.6	29.2	16.4	311	2,951
North Africa	3.5	-11.3	-6.8	3.8	-23.8	-12.6	330	926
Other African countries	1.6	-36.3	-5.9	2.1	63.7	-2.6	-209	-1,641
North America	8.2	3.6	21.6	4.2	-9.7	5.4	2,112	19,847
<i>United States</i>	7.5	3.3	22.0	3.5	-5.2	14.7	1,864	17,975
Central and South America	3.5	-18.7	-0.2	2.7	-17.1	-3.3	368	3,548
Middle Eastern countries	5.0	1.4	9.3	4.7	-8.2	-7.9	553	4,537
Other Asian countries	9.8	2.8	3.2	13.5	2.8	10.2	-949	-11,760
<i>China</i>	2.6	1.8	-0.5	7.0	5.1	12.6	-1,452	-15,221
<i>Japan</i>	1.3	2.4	-0.1	0.8	13.1	14.7	191	1,939
<i>India</i>	0.8	14.0	13.4	1.2	-43.3	-4.6	11	-682
Oceania and other territories	1.8	-6.2	1.1	0.5	-0.2	3.0	505	4,563
OPEC	5.7	-11.6	0.0	5.8	-23.5	-11.6	466	3,096
MERCOSUR	1.7	-33.9	-12.1	1.3	-11.7	4.4	17	746
DAE	3.8	-4.9	2.7	1.8	29.9	18.7	562	6,597
ASEAN	1.8	-7.7	-2.6	1.9	18.3	12.6	-84	-864
TOTAL	45.1	-4.5	3.7	42.9	-2.4	0.1	3,529	24,442

(a) Calculated on 2014 total foreign trade.

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

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Share (a)	Percentage Changes		Millions of euros	
		Oct. 15	Jan.-Oct. 15		Oct. 15	Jan.-Oct. 15	Oct. 2015	Jan.-Oct. 15
		Oct. 14	Jan.-Oct. 14		Oct. 14	Jan.-Oct. 14		
Consumer goods	13.4	-1.5	4.6	10.9	3.9	10.5	1,587	10,080
- <i>consumer durables</i>	3.1	6.8	6.1	1.3	8.9	18.5	843	6,153
- <i>consumer non durables</i>	10.3	-4.0	4.2	9.7	3.3	9.4	744	3,927
Capital goods	17.4	-3.5	4.6	6.4	7.1	16.0	3,844	37,592
Intermediate goods	11.9	-5.5	4.2	11.5	5.3	7.9	355	3,205
Energy	2.5	-22.5	-10.1	14.0	-21.0	-21.2	-2,257	-26,435
Total (except energy)	42.7	-3.4	4.5	28.8	5.2	10.7	5,786	50,877
TOTAL	45.1	-4.5	3.7	42.9	-2.4	0.1	3,529	24,442

(a) Calculated on 2014 total foreign trade.

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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