

# External Trade

## October, 2014

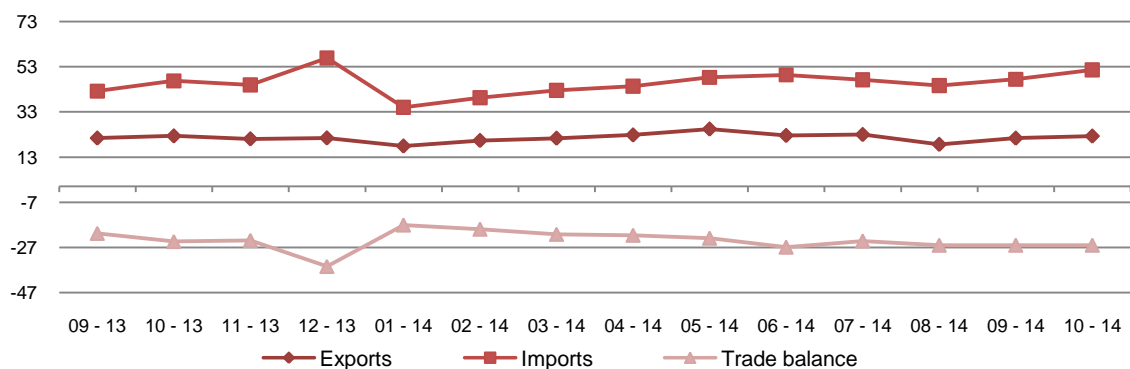
**Tirana, December 1, 2014:** On October 2014 the value of exports was 22 billion lekë, decreasing by 0.3 % comparing with October 2013 and increasing 4.2 % comparing with September 2014. The main group of goods decreasing, compare with the same period of the previous year, was: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” by 27.9 %. Exports of groups: “Machineries, equipments and spare parts” decreased by 33.7 %, “Textile and footwear” by 25.3 % and “Leather and leather manufactures” by 23.7 %, compare with the same period of the previous year.

On October 2014 the value of imports was 52 billion lekë, increasing by 10.5 % compared with October 2013 and 8.9 % compared with September 2014. The main groups of goods increasing compare with the same period of the previous year were: “Machineries, equipments and spare parts” by 41.1 %, “Chemical and plastically product” by 15.4 % and “Leather and leather manufactures” by 14.9 %. Imports of group: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” decreased by 19.4 %, compare with the same period of the previous year.

This month the trade deficit is 29 billion lekë signing an increase by 20.4 % compared with October 2013 and with 12.6 % compared with September 2014.

Trade with the EU countries is 64.8 % of total trade. The main trade partners remain Italy (39.6 %), Greece (7.3 %), China (5.2 %) and Turkey (5.0 %).

**Chart 1 Flow of goods in external trade, September 2013 – October 2014 (billion ALL)**



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Tab. 1 Flow of goods in foreign trade (million ALL)

Years	Months	Exports	Imports	Trade Balance	Percentage of cover
2000		37,037	157,109	-120,072	23.6
2001		44,096	190,155	-146,059	23.2
2002		47,490	210,368	-162,877	22.6
2003		54,487	225,983	-171,496	24.1
2004		62,121	236,072	-173,951	26.3
2005		65,818	262,191	-196,373	25.1
2006		77,405	299,147	-221,742	25.9
2007		97,171	376,194	-279,023	25.8
2008		112,572	439,894	-327,322	25.6
2009		104,515	428,839	-324,324	24.4
2010		161,548	477,768	-316,220	33.8
2011		196,897	544,004	-347,108	36.2
2012		213,030	528,490	-315,460	40.3
2013		246,391	517,312	-270,921	47.6
2012	01 - 12	13,464	37,055	-23,591	36.3
	02 - 12	15,190	37,306	-22,116	40.7
	03 - 12	16,760	44,447	-27,687	37.7
	04 - 12	17,995	39,953	-21,958	45.0
	05 - 12	19,347	44,378	-25,031	43.6
	06 - 12	17,702	46,203	-28,501	38.3
	07 - 12	19,571	47,721	-28,150	41.0
	08 - 12	17,389	45,653	-28,264	38.1
	09 - 12	19,214	46,510	-27,296	41.3
	10 - 12	19,030	46,635	-27,605	40.8
	11 - 12	19,460	45,797	-26,337	42.5
	12 - 12	17,908	46,832	-28,924	38.2
2013	01 - 13	18,128	34,159	-16,031	53.1
	02 - 13	15,876	33,350	-17,474	47.6
	03 - 13	19,301	38,229	-18,928	50.5
	04 - 13	20,600	41,499	-20,899	49.6
	05 - 13	23,201	45,131	-21,930	51.4
	06 - 13	20,761	41,500	-20,739	50.0
	07 - 13	24,288	48,383	-24,095	50.2
	08 - 13	18,155	42,403	-24,248	42.8
	09 - 13	21,360	42,123	-20,763	50.7
	10 - 13	22,301	46,680	-24,379	47.8
	11 - 13	21,008	44,879	-23,870	46.8
	12 - 13	21,411	58,976	-37,565	36.3
2014	01 - 14	17,869	34,921	-17,052	51.2
	02 - 14	20,304	39,193	-18,890	51.8
	03 - 14	21,301	42,479	-21,178	50.1
	04 - 14	22,720	44,309	-21,589	51.3
	05 - 14	25,318	48,242	-22,924	52.5
	06 - 14	22,490	49,351	-26,861	45.6
	07 - 14	22,911	47,158	-24,247	48.6
	08 - 14	18,582	44,601	-26,020	41.7
	09 - 14	21,324	47,385	-26,061	45.0
	10 - 14	22,227	51,585	-29,358	43.1

**Tab.2 Foreign trade by countries (million ALL)**

	Imports				Exports			
	October 2013	October 2014	Jan-Oct '13	Jan-Oct '14	October 2013	October 2014	Jan-Oct '13	Jan-Oct '14
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,680</b>	<b>51,585</b>	<b>413,457</b>	<b>449,225</b>	<b>22,301</b>	<b>22,227</b>	<b>203,972</b>	<b>215,046</b>
<b>EU countries</b>	<b>29,217</b>	<b>33,622</b>	<b>267,145</b>	<b>273,499</b>	<b>17,793</b>	<b>17,612</b>	<b>157,345</b>	<b>168,264</b>
Austria	552	421	5,177	5,120	54	115	982	1,261
United Kingdom	438	519	3,178	4,455	1,199	90	1,425	333
Germany	2,748	3,143	24,156	26,754	587	485	8,625	5,930
Greece	3,717	4,723	38,166	43,985	638	692	6,419	7,417
Italy	15,238	15,683	138,908	131,443	10,803	13,575	93,801	113,270
Spain	957	635	6,794	6,942	1,422	1,098	21,675	14,605
Croatia	331	728	5,048	5,370	43	51	315	278
Others of EU	5,235	7,770	45,718	49,430	3,046	1,507	24,103	25,171
China	3,681	3,717	27,760	31,877	475	109	9,487	7,558
Kosovo	528	524	4,992	5,003	1,547	1,879	14,104	14,237
Macedonia	768	833	7,126	6,752	351	622	3,801	4,600
Russia	646	1,115	7,524	9,978	4	162	187	251
USA	1,625	819	9,569	11,929	117	80	936	1,091
Turkey	2,982	3,152	26,228	31,200	970	559	5,623	8,578
Ukraine	544	46	3,810	2,912	2	-	20	19
Switzerland	1,309	1,328	5,700	14,804	311	99	3,941	1,345
Others	5,380	6,429	53,604	61,271	729	1,106	8,528	9,103

**Tab. 3 Foreign trade by group of goods (million ALL)**

Group of goods	Imports				Exports			
	October 2013	October 2014	Jan-Oct '13	Jan-Oct '14	October 2013	October 2014	Jan-Oct '13	Jan-Oct '14
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,680</b>	<b>51,585</b>	<b>413,457</b>	<b>449,225</b>	<b>22,301</b>	<b>22,227</b>	<b>203,972</b>	<b>215,046</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	7,468	8,628	76,278	77,471	1,990	2,406	11,799	13,278
Minerals, fuels, electricity	8,780	7,080	74,451	75,936	8,623	6,215	83,975	73,385
Chemical and plastical products	6,052	6,983	57,017	60,651	257	281	2,431	2,839
Leather and leather manuf.	1,038	1,193	8,939	11,628	272	336	2,757	2,641
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	2,001	2,144	16,826	18,715	923	1,013	6,288	7,567
Textile and footwear	5,304	5,848	43,220	51,512	5,825	7,300	57,707	72,445
Construct. materials and metals	6,305	7,005	52,051	57,174	3,392	3,279	28,501	31,167
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	8,289	11,692	72,883	82,433	673	899	7,098	7,378
Others	1,443	1,011	11,792	13,705	345	497	3,416	4,347

**Tab. 4 Exports of group of goods and main partners, January – October 2014 (million ALL)**

Group of goods	Italy	Spain	Kosovo	Turkey	Others
<b>Total</b>	<b>113,270</b>	<b>14,605</b>	<b>14,237</b>	<b>8,578</b>	<b>64,356</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	4,778	396	1,272	320	6,512
Minerals, fuels, electricity	22,746	12,444	5,151	1,039	32,005
Chemical and plastical products	912	8	732	149	1,036
Leather and leather manuf.	2,180	43	4	126	288
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	5,446	6	391	57	1,667
Textile and footwear	60,465	912	75	27	10,966
Construct. materials and metals	9,614	780	5,695	6,748	8,331
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	4,984	1	463	64	1,866
Others	2,143	15	453	49	1,686

**Tab. 5 Imports of group of goods and main partners, January – October 2014 (million ALL)**

Group of goods	Italy	Greece	China	Turkey	Others
<b>Total</b>	<b>131,443</b>	<b>43,985</b>	<b>31,877</b>	<b>31,200</b>	<b>210,720</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	12,355	11,553	446	3,724	49,393
Minerals, fuels, electricity	22,290	12,433	9	592	40,613
Chemical and plastical products	12,052	6,125	2,966	4,928	34,581
Leather and leather manuf.	9,647	58	517	120	1,287
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	6,773	2,429	949	2,446	6,118
Textile and footwear	28,506	1,961	6,306	8,293	6,446
Construct. materials and metals	14,025	6,345	7,452	5,920	23,433
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	22,431	2,209	10,685	3,791	43,317
Others	3,365	873	2,548	1,387	5,532

# DEFINITIONS

Exports are goods destined to a third country, placed under customs export or outward processing arrangements or re-exported following inward processing.

F.O.B. (Free on board): Delivery term, indicating that the price of the goods includes transport and handling costs to an agreed port of loading.

Imports are goods arrived from a third country and are directly placed, or are left in warehouse, under customs procedure of release for free circulation, inward processing or processing under customs control.

C.I.F. (Cost, Insurance, Freight): Delivery term indicating that the price of the goods includes insurance and freight to an agreed port of destination.

Harmonized system ( HS) The Harmonized System (HS) is a goods nomenclature used by foreign trade statistics and for customs tariffs.

The HS comprises about 5,000 separate groups of goods, identified by a 4-digit code (heading) or a 6-digit code (subheading) in 21 sections and 96 chapters.

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