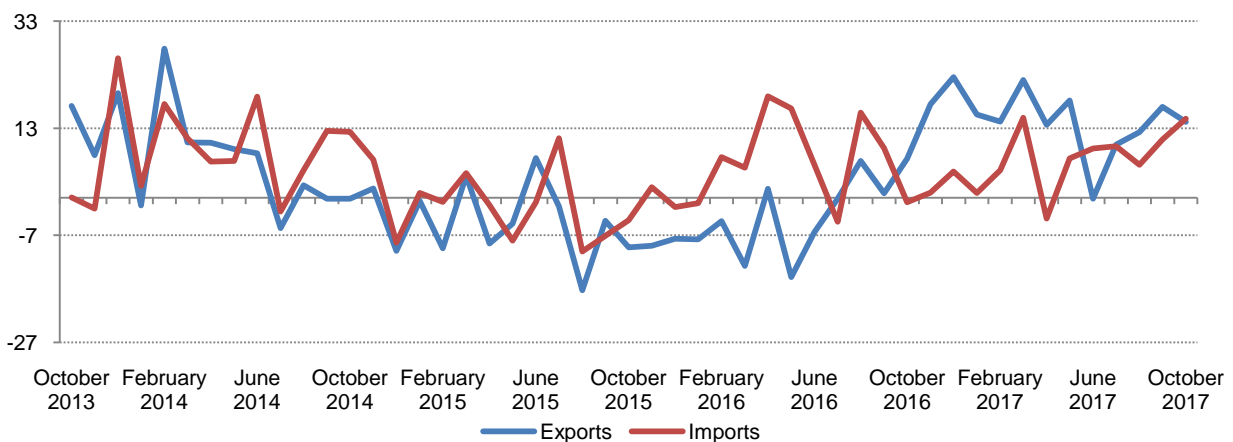


Foreign Trade in Goods

October 2017

Tirana, November 17, 2017: On October 2017 the value of exports was 25 billion lekë, increasing by 14.2 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 2.8 % compared with September 2017. The value of imports in October 2017, was 57 billion lekë, increasing by 14.8 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 7.2 % compared with September 2017. This month the trade deficit is 32 billion lekë signing an increase by 15.2 % compared with October 2016 and decreased by 10.7 % compared with September 2017.

Fig.1 Annual change in Foreign Trade (%)

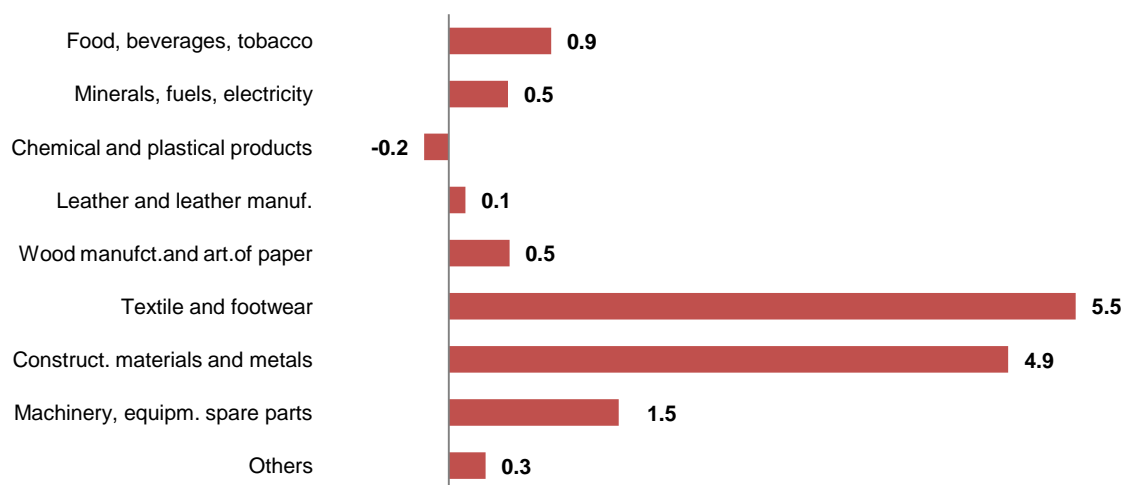


In the first ten months of 2017, the value of exports was 226 billion lekë, increasing by 13.4 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was 510 billion lekë, increasing by 7.7 %. Trade deficit was 285 billion lekë, increasing by 3.5 % compared with the same period of 2016.

The influence of the main groups in the annual change in exports:

In annual increase of exports by 14.2 % this month a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Textile and footwear” with +5.5 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals” with +4.9 percentage point, “Machinery, equipment, spare parts” with +1.5 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the group: “Chemical and plastical products” with -0.2 percentage point.

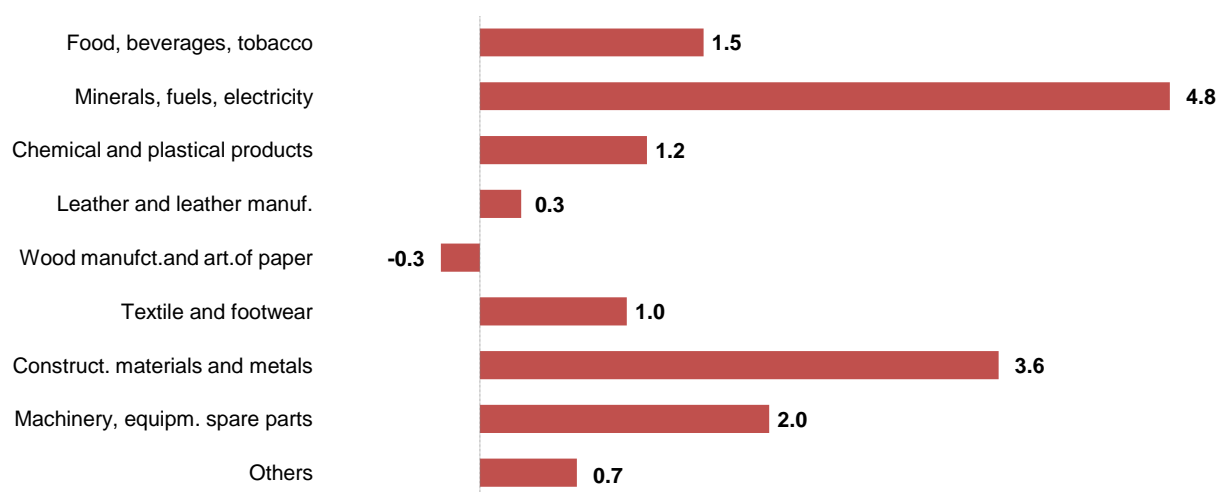
Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports , October 2017



In the first ten months of 2017, exports are increased by 13.4 % compared with previous year. As ten months all groups affected positivity in annual increase of exports, who the groups that influenced more in annual increase of exports, are: “Construction materials and metals” with +5.1 percentage point, “Textile and footwear” with +4.3 percentage point, “Food, beverage, tobacco” with +1.8 percentage point. In the annual change in exports, no group affected negatively.

The influence of the main groups in the annual change in imports:

In annual increase of imports by 14.8 % in October 2017 a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with +4.8 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals” with +3.6 percentage point, “Machinery, equipment, spare parts” with +2.0 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the group: “Wood manufactured and article of paper” with -0.3 percentage point.

Fig.3 Contribution of groups in annual change of imports, October 2017

As ten months, imports are increased by 7.7 % compared with ten months 2016. As ten months all groups affected positivity in annual increase of imports, who the groups that influenced more in annual increase of imports, are: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with +2.3 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with +1.2 percentage point, "Chemical and plastical products" with +1.2 percentage point.

The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

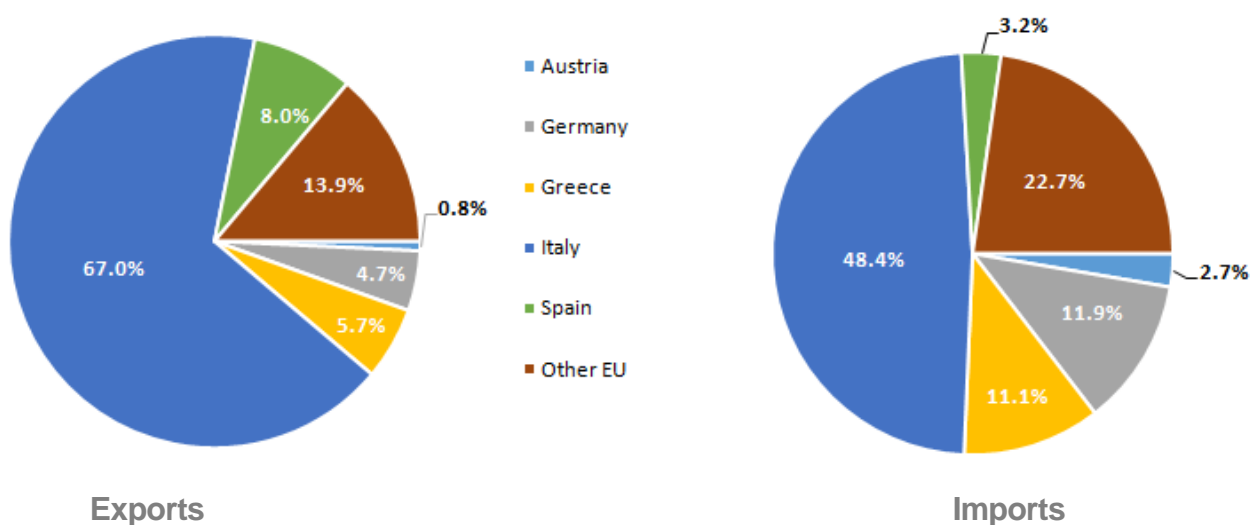
In October 2017, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to October 2016 are: Italy with (7.5 %), Kosovo with (38.0 %) and Spain with (81.0 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: China with (-21.6 %), Bulgaria with (-10.4 %) and Turkey with (-63.6 %).

In the first ten months of 2017, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to the same period of 2016 are: Italy with (8.7 %), Kosovo with (30.0 %) and Greece with (6.7 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Netherlands with (-5.4 %), Switzerland with (-50.3 %) and Croatia with (-13.9 %).

In October 2017, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to October 2016 are: Italy with (10.3 %), Turkey with (10.4 %) and Germany with (3.3 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: China with (-0.6 %), Greece with (-4.2 %) and Spain with (-15.6 %).

In the first ten months of 2017, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to the same period of 2016 are: Italy with (5.6 %), Greece with (11.0 %) and Turkey with (11.3 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Germany with (-7.3 %), China with (-5.0 %) and France with (-7.9 %).

Fig.4 Foreign Trade in Goods by several EU countries, October 2017



Trade with the EU countries is 65.8 % of total trade. In October 2017, exports to EU countries occupied 78.0 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 60.5 % of total import. The main trade partners remain Italy (36.2 %), Turkey (6.4 %), Germany (6.1 %) and Greece (6.0 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first ten months of 2017 is 65.8 % of total trade. In the first ten months of 2017, exports to EU countries occupied 76.9 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 61.0 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (36.3 %), Greece (7.0 %), Germany (7.0 %) and China (6.3 %).

Tab. 1 Flow of goods (billion ALL)

Years	Months	Exports	Annual Change (%)	Imports	Annual Change (%)	Trade Balance	Percentage of cover
2000		37	-23.5	157	-1.5	-120	23.6
2001		44	19.1	190	21.0	-146	23.2
2002		47	7.7	210	10.6	-163	22.6
2003		54	14.7	226	7.4	-172	24.1
2004		62	14.0	236	4.5	-174	26.3
2005		66	6.0	262	11.1	-196	25.1
2006		77	17.6	299	14.1	-222	25.9
2007		97	25.5	376	25.8	-279	25.8
2008		113	15.8	440	16.9	-327	25.6
2009		105	-7.2	429	-2.5	-324	24.4
2010		162	54.6	478	11.4	-316	33.8
2011		197	21.9	544	13.9	-347	36.2
2012		213	8.2	528	-2.9	-315	40.3
2013		246	15.7	517	-2.1	-271	47.6
2014		256	3.8	552	6.7	-296	46.3
2015		243	-4.9	545	-1.4	-302	44.7
2016		243	0.1	579	6.4	-336	42.0
2015	01 - 15	18	-0.6	35	0.9	-17	50.4
	02 - 15	18	-9.4	39	-0.8	-21	47.3
	03 - 15	22	4.1	44	4.6	-22	49.9
	04 - 15	21	-8.5	44	-1.4	-23	47.6
	05 - 15	24	-4.8	44	-8.0	-20	54.3
	06 - 15	24	7.4	49	-0.8	-25	49.3
	07 - 15	23	-1.6	52	11.1	-29	43.0
	08 - 15	15	-17.3	40	-10.0	-25	38.3
	09 - 15	20	-4.3	44	-7.1	-24	46.3
	10 - 15	20	-9.3	50	-4.2	-30	40.2
	January – October 2015	206	-4.3	442	-1.7	-236	46.5
2016	01 - 16	16	-7.8	35	-1.0	-19	47.0
	02 - 16	18	-4.4	42	7.6	-24	42.0
	03 - 16	19	-12.7	47	5.6	-28	41.2
	04 - 16	21	1.7	52	19.0	-31	40.7
	05 - 16	21	-14.8	52	16.7	-31	39.6
	06 - 16	23	-6.4	52	6.2	-29	43.5
	07 - 16	23	-0.2	50	-4.5	-27	44.9
	08 - 16	16	6.9	47	15.9	-31	35.3
	09 - 16	21	0.9	48	9.3	-27	42.8
	10 - 16	22	7.3	50	-0.8	-28	43.5
	January – October 2016	199	-3.5	474	7.1	-275	41.9
2017	01 - 17	19	15.5	35	0.9	-16	53.8
	02 - 17	20	14.2	44	5.1	-24	45.7
	03 - 17	24	22.0	54	14.9	-30	43.8
	04 - 17	24	13.7	50	-3.9	-26	48.1
	05 - 17	24	18.2	56	7.4	-32	43.6
	06 - 17	23	-0.1	57	9.2	-34	39.7
	07 - 17	25	9.9	55	9.6	-30	45.1
	08 - 17	18	12.3	49	6.2	-31	37.4
	09 - 17	24	17.0	53	10.9	-29	45.1
	10 - 17	25	14.2	57	14.8	-32	43.3
	January – October 2017	226	13.4	510	7.7	-284	44.2

Tab.2 Foreign trade in goods by partner countries (million ALL)

	Exports				Imports			
	Oct-16	Oct-17	Jan-Oct 2016	Jan-Oct 2017	Oct-16	Oct-17	Jan-Oct 2016	Jan-Oct 2017
EU countries	16,717	19,319	157,502	173,396	31,664	34,600	297,137	311,125
Austria	112	146	941	1,330	388	922	5,608	5,615
United Kingdom	15	23	376	344	380	545	3,402	4,364
Germany	776	909	6,763	9,055	3,991	4,124	45,405	42,097
Greece	961	1,103	9,164	9,779	4,009	3,839	37,688	41,819
Italy	12,034	12,939	110,784	120,417	15,191	16,757	138,755	146,481
Spain	853	1,543	5,687	12,487	1,297	1,094	10,526	11,261
Croatia	43	89	804	692	494	521	3,453	3,704
Others of EU	1,923	2,568	22,983	19,292	5,914	6,799	52,299	55,784
China	745	584	4,945	7,288	4,266	4,243	41,300	39,242
Kosovo	1,449	2,000	13,518	17,576	471	785	4,664	6,944
Macedonia	670	747	5,252	7,167	704	875	6,304	7,183
Russia	9	3	61	89	762	1,153	8,938	9,501
USA	187	277	1,355	2,367	819	674	9,005	7,350
Turkey	394	143	1,660	1,792	4,608	5,089	37,480	41,726
Ukraine	45	37	199	418	195	351	2,899	2,742
Switzerland	61	9	1,949	969	567	1,432	5,863	10,070
Others	1,405	1,641	12,351	14,453	5,768	7,982	60,375	74,438
Total	21,681	24,761	198,792	225,516	49,825	57,185	473,965	510,321

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

Group of goods	Exports				Imports			
	Oct-16	Oct-17	Jan-Oct 2016	Jan-Oct 2017	Oct-16	Oct-17	Jan-Oct 2016	Jan-Oct 2017
Total	21,681	24,761	198,792	225,516	49,825	57,185	473,965	510,321
Food, beverages, tobacco	3,443	3,639	20,427	24,031	7,863	8,634	82,740	87,931
Minerals, fuels, electricity	3,197	3,311	35,968	36,152	4,744	7,123	41,037	51,744
Chemical and plastical products	436	389	3,635	3,969	6,949	7,525	66,401	71,970
Leather and leather manuf,	216	249	2,214	2,476	1,579	1,722	14,306	15,513
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	699	815	6,259	6,603	2,216	2,080	19,160	19,536
Textile and footwear	8,920	10,121	89,252	97,774	8,075	8,581	65,185	71,022
Construct, materials and metals	3,069	4,141	25,849	36,053	5,170	6,958	63,090	64,428
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	1,095	1,421	9,340	12,244	11,244	12,242	104,910	108,341
Others	605	676	5,847	6,213	1,986	2,319	17,135	19,836

Tab.4 Progressive data of exports by group of goods and main partners (million ALL)

Group of goods	Italy		Kosovo		Spain		Greece	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
Total	110,784	120,417	13,518	17,576	5,687	12,487	9,164	9,779
Food, beverages, tobacco	6,653	6,687	2,025	2,264	695	641	1,954	1,633
Minerals, fuels, electricity	7,021	6,248	2,761	4,391	2,067	9,365	361	267
Chemical and plastical products	1,077	1,134	1,060	1,032	1	13	351	466
Leather and leather manuf,	1,987	1,853	0	6	6	77	52	41
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	4,626	4,663	277	352	5	5	733	871
Textile and footwear	70,510	76,244	75	105	2,377	2,139	3,866	4,462
Construct, materials and metals	10,310	13,345	5,753	7,838	499	238	1,414	1,332
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	6,151	7,401	528	597	24	2	101	384
Others	2,449	2,843	1,040	992	13	7	331	324

Tab. 5 Progressive data of exports by group of goods and main partners (million ALL)

Group of goods	Italy		Germany		Greece		Turkey	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
Total	138,755	146,481	45,405	42,097	37,688	41,819	37,480	41,726
Food, beverages, tobacco	14,264	15,066	3,708	3,509	11,778	11,548	4,411	4,750
Minerals, fuels, electricity	16,124	13,593	431	720	5,260	6,365	913	1,392
Chemical and plastical products	13,855	15,391	5,576	6,393	6,339	6,663	5,346	5,998
Leather and leather manuf,	11,187	12,025	3	9	121	67	311	302
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	5,265	5,333	719	715	2,326	2,719	2,626	2,828
Textile and footwear	32,682	35,249	2,194	2,177	2,986	3,256	12,194	13,045
Construct, materials and metals	13,871	16,493	12,501	5,407	5,464	7,710	4,980	5,072
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	26,931	28,343	18,823	21,465	2,189	2,025	5,065	6,409
Others	4,577	4,989	1,450	1,702	1,225	1,465	1,634	1,930

Definitions

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

The FOB (free on board) value of exports of goods is the value of the goods at the exporter's customs frontier,

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,

The cost, insurance and freight (CIF) price is the price of a good delivered at the frontier of the importing country, or the price of a service delivered to resident, before the payment of any import duties or other taxes on imports or trade and transport margins within the country,

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Explanation of Symbols

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