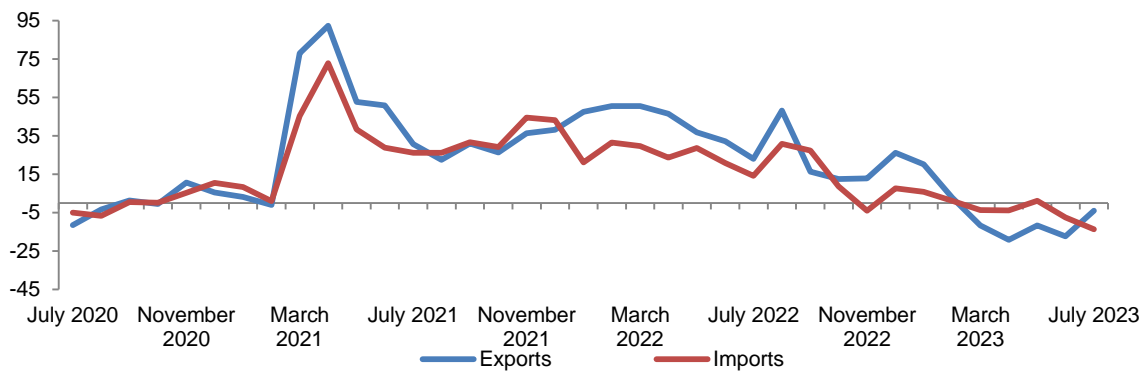


Foreign Trade in Goods

July 2023

Tirana, August 16, 2023: On July 2023 the value of exports was ALL 38 billion, decreasing by -4.0 %, compared with the same period of previous year and by -0.6 %, compared with June 2023. The value of imports was ALL 71 billion, decreasing by -13.6 %, compared with the same period of previous year and by -6.0 %, compared with June 2023. This month the trade deficit is ALL 33 billion, decreasing by -22.6 %, compared with July 2022 and by -11.6 %, compared with June 2023.

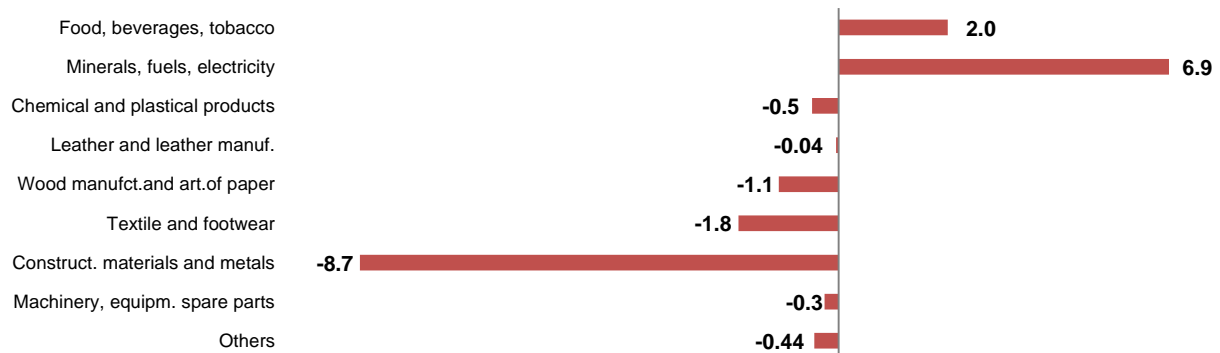
Fig.1 Annual change in Foreign Trade (%)



In the first seven months of 2023, the value of exports was ALL 272 billion, decreasing by -7.0 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was ALL 509 billion, decreasing by -3.5 %, compared with previous year. Trade deficit was ALL 237 billion, increasing by 0.8 %, compared with the same period of 2022.

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

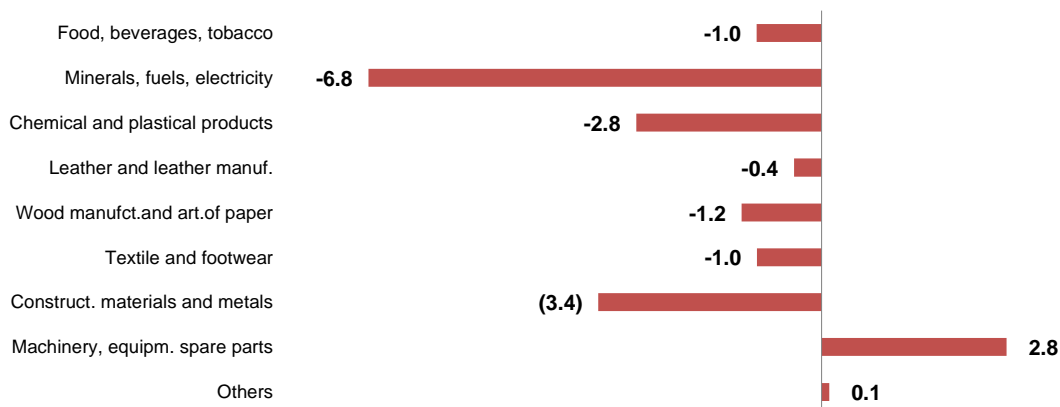
In annual decrease of exports by -4.0 % this month, a contribution was given by the groups: “Constructions materials and metals” with -8.7 percentage point, “Textile and footwear” with -1.8 percentage point, “Wood manufacturing and article of paper” with -1.1 percentage point, etc. While a positive contribution was given by the group: Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +6.9 percentage point and “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +2.0 percentage point.

Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports July 2023

Exports during the seven months of 2023 are decreased by -7.0 % compared with the same period of previous year. The main groups that influenced more in annual decrease of exports are: “Constructions materials and metals” with -7.0 percentage point, “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with -1.0 percentage point, “Chemical and plastical products” with -0.9 percentage point, etc. While a positive contribution was given by the group: “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +2.1 percentage point, “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with +0.6 percentage point, etc.

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

In annual decrease of imports by -13.6 %, this month has mainly affected the group: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with -6.8 percentage point, “Constructions materials and metals” with -3.4 percentage point, “Chemical and plastical products” with -2.8 percentage, etc. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with +2.8 percentage point, etc.

Fig.3 Contribution of groups in annual change of imports , July 2023

In the first seven months of 2023, imports are decreased by 3.5 % compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected negatively in annual increase of imports, are: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with -4.8 percentage point and "Constructions materials and metals" with -1.3 percentage point, "Food, beverages, tobacco" with -0.6 percentage point, etc. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Machinery, equipment and spare parts" with +4.1 percentage point, "Chemical and plastic products" with +0.1 percentage point, etc.

The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

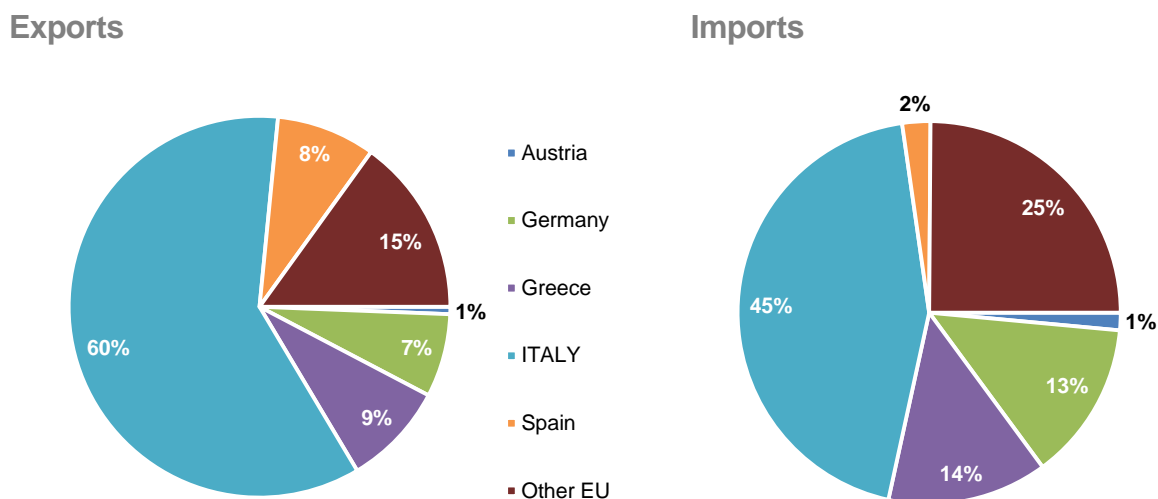
In July 2023, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of exports, compared to July 2022 are: Italy (10.6 %), Austria (78.4 %) USA (63.4 %). While, country with which has had a increase of imports is: Kosovo (24.3 %), Greece (12.2 %), United Kingdom (1632.8 %).

In the first seven months of 2023, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of exports, compared to the same period of 2022 are: Italy (10.6 %), Germany (23.8 %), China (32.7 %), etc. While, countries with which has had a increase of exports are: Kosovo (7.7 %), Greece (15.6 %), Spain (57.9 %), etc.

In July 2023, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of imports, compared to July 2022 are: Italy (7.4 %), Turkey (16.3 %), Greece (29.8 %), etc. While, countries with which has had a increase of imports are: China (10.1 %), Germany (6.5 %), USA (28.2 %), etc.

In the first seven months of 2023, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of imports, compared to the same period of 2022 are: Turkey (18.2 %), Greece (14.9 %), Italy (4.3 %), etc. While, countries with which has had a increase of imports are: China (34.5 %), Switzerland (79.5 %), USA (45.6 %), etc.

Fig.4 Foreign Trade in Goods by several EU countries July 2023



Trade with the EU countries is 59.2 % of total trade. In July 2023, exports to EU countries occupied 75.6 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 50.9 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (31.2 %), China (7.8 %), Germany (6.6 %), and Greece (6.5 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first seven months of 2023 is 59.5 % of total trade. In this period, the share of exports to EU countries was 73.8 % of total export and share of imports from EU countries was 51.8 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (30.4 %), China (7.6 %), Turkey (6.8 %) and Greece (6.7 %).

Tab. 1 Flow of goods (billion ALL)

Years	Months	Exports	Annual	Imports	Annual	Trade Balance	Percentage of
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
2017		273	12.1	626	8.1	-353	43.6
2018		310	13.7	641	2.4	-331	48.4
2019		299	-3.8	649	1.2	-350	46.0
2020		272	-9.0	605	-6.8	-333	44.9
2021		369	35.6	801	32.3	-432	46.1
2022		487	32.0	950	18.7	-464	51.2
2020	01 - 20	23	5.3	42	-0.4	-19	54.9
	02 - 20	25	10.6	52	3.9	-27	48.3
	03 - 20	18	-36.0	44	-20.8	-27	40.1
	04 - 20	15	-44.2	36	-36.4	-21	41.0
	05 - 20	22	-22.5	45	-24.2	-23	48.1
	06 - 20	23	-9.6	52	-2.4	-29	44.3
	07 - 20	25	-11.5	57	-5.0	-32	43.3
	Jan.-July20	150	-16.7	328	-13.1	-178	45.7
2021	01 - 21	24	3.1	45	8.4	-22	52.3
	02 - 21	25	-0.9	52	0.9	-27	47.4
	03 - 21	32	78.1	64	45.3	-33	49.2
	04 - 21	29	92.3	63	72.9	-34	45.6
	05 - 21	33	52.7	62	38.4	-29	53.0
	06 - 21	35	50.8	67	28.9	-32	51.9
	07 - 21	32	30.6	72	26.1	-39	44.8
	Jan.-July21	209	39.2	426	29.8	-217	49.0
2022	01 - 22	35	47.5	55	21.1	-20	63.6
	02 - 22	37	50.5	69	31.5	-31	54.3
	03 - 22	48	50.4	84	29.7	-36	57.1
	04 - 22	42	46.6	78	23.7	-36	54.0
	05 - 22	45	36.8	80	28.6	-35	56.4
	06 - 22	46	32.2	81	20.8	-35	56.8
	07 - 22	39	23.0	82	14.1	-42	48.3
	Jan.-July22	293	40.1	528	23.9	-235	55.4
2023	01 - 23	42	20.2	58	5.8	-16	72.3
	02 - 23	38	2.8	69	1.1	-31	55.2
	03 - 23	42	-11.7	81	-3.7	-38	52.3
	04 - 23	34	-19.2	75	-3.9	-41	45.4
	05 - 23	40	-11.7	81	1.2	-41	49.2
	06 - 23	38	-17.3	75	-7.5	-37	50.7
	07 - 23	38	-4.0	71	-13.6	-33	53.7
	Jan.-July23	272	-7.0	509	-3.5	-237	53.4

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

	Exports				Imports			
	July 2022	July 2023	January-July 2022	January-July 2023	July 2022	July 2023	January-July 2022	January-July 2023
EU countries	30,816	27,339	216,316	200,910	44,866	38,273	280,350	263,753
Austria	788	170	2,875	2,357	583	770	3,888	4,407
Germany	1,737	1,923	20,235	14,810	4,930	5,251	32,597	35,472
Greece	2,126	2,386	16,054	18,558	6,593	4,625	39,901	33,955
Italy	18,321	16,374	134,015	119,763	18,837	17,442	122,916	117,592
Spain	1,773	2,285	7,473	11,800	1,830	1,218	8,759	7,621
Croatia	401	273	4,757	3,379	1,246	881	5,268	4,340
Others of EU	5,669	3,928	30,907	30,242	10,847	8,086	67,021	60,366
United Kingdom	149	2,574	1,282	3,426	748	629	4,434	4,850
China	316	607	7,287	4,902	7,097	7,812	40,593	54,596
Kosovo	2,740	3,404	22,085	23,779	1,502	987	9,070	6,398
North Macedonia	1,073	1,097	10,060	11,197	981	1,055	8,685	7,833
Russia	-	-	12	8	639	243	6,325	2,825
USA	720	264	6,016	2,499	1,142	1,465	7,104	10,345
Turkey	253	233	3,696	2,454	7,124	5,964	62,168	50,878
Ukraine	85	26	358	1,020	302	468	2,344	2,450
Switzerland	75	526	2,341	3,540	782	515	4,546	8,158
Others	3,233	1,808	23,069	18,426	16,483	13,147	102,082	97,186
Total	39,461	37,877	292,523	272,163	81,666	70,558	527,701	509,272

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

Group of goods	Exports				Imports			
	July 2022	July 2023	January-July 2022	January-July 2023	July 2022	July 2023	January-July 2022	January-July 2023
Total	39.461	37.877	292.523	272.163	81.666	70.558	527.701	509.272
Food. beverages. tobacco	4,000	4,787	29,347	35,394	14,001	13,206	85,546	82,471
Minerals. fuels. electricity	6,979	9,689	63,597	60,618	13,488	7,929	82,887	57,576
Chemical and plastic products	1,466	1,277	11,742	9,106	10,902	8,628	67,890	68,517
Leather and leather manuf.	203	185	1,733	1,751	1,521	1,185	10,545	8,888
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	1,309	879	8,103	6,848	3,310	2,330	20,491	17,661
Textile and footwear	12,162	11,440	80,568	79,543	8,688	7,897	58,821	56,312
Construct. materials and metals	8,751	5,303	67,796	47,249	10,866	8,127	79,087	72,338
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	3,379	3,278	22,404	24,204	15,967	18,237	102,978	124,692
Others	1,214	1,038	7,231	7,450	2,924	3,018	19,456	20,817

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

Group of goods	Italy		Kosovo		Greece		Germany	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
Total	134,015	119,763	22,085	23,779	16,054	18,558	20,235	14,810
Food. beverages. tobacco	6,482	9,347	3,291	4,034	2,256	2,796	901	1,121
Minerals. fuels. electricity	16,857	5,896	3,328	4,653	2,051	6,489	11,566	5,532
Chemical and plastic products	2,824	3,576	2,520	2,385	2,792	676	35	31
Leather and leather manuf.	1,597	1,661	9	7	24	15	9	3
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	4,953	4,091	791	667	1,229	1,089	216	75
Textile and footwear	63,037	62,269	107	141	3,436	4,162	5,009	5,987
Construct. materials and metals	22,710	16,249	10,043	9,470	3,673	2,612	775	852
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	11,963	13,249	1,119	1,401	94	77	1,463	1,003
Others	3,591	3,425	876	1,021	498	642	261	206

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

Group of goods	Italy		China		Turkey		Germany	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
Total	122,916	117,592	40,593	54,596	62,168	50,878	32,597	35,472
Food. beverages. tobacco	16,392	16,139	847	1,118	3,761	3,541	3,363	3,425
Minerals. fuels. electricity	2,874	3,948	4	28	4,081	7,188	550	540
Chemical and plastic products	15,324	14,519	4,274	4,617	6,999	6,993	7,598	6,847
Leather and leather manuf.	8,424	7,266	521	470	294	192	31	55
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	4,536	4,097	649	1,094	3,243	2,882	710	547
Textile and footwear	30,159	26,840	6,329	7,019	10,555	8,478	1,321	1,595
Construct. materials and metals	16,069	15,838	4,667	7,525	23,133	11,938	1,039	1,100
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	24,472	23,894	19,283	28,713	7,129	7,338	16,829	20,058
Others	4,665	5,052	4,018	4,010	2,974	2,329	1,156	1,306

Methodology

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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Monthly revisions

The data made available for the last month have an effect also on the revision of the previous months, because with the arrival of data for the last month there are also updated data for previous months as a result of administrative resource updates.

Explanation of Symbols

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