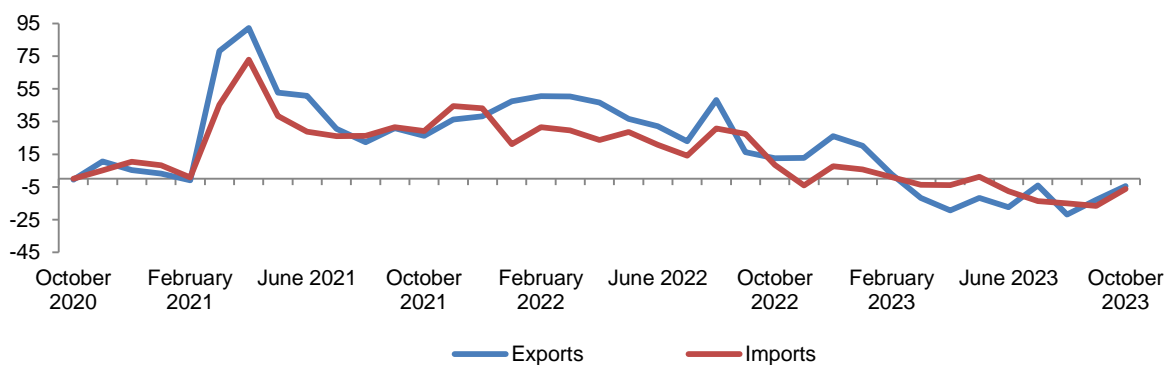


# Foreign Trade in Goods

## October 2023

**Tirana, November 17, 2023:** On October 2023 the value of exports was ALL 37 billion, decreasing by -4.3 % compared with the same period of previous year and increasing by 8.8 % compared with september 2023. The value of imports was ALL 78 billion, decreasing by -6.3 % compared with the same period of previous year and increasing by 6.5 % compared with September 2023. This month the trade deficit is ALL 42 billion, decreasing by -7.9 % compared with October 2022 and increasing by 4.5 % compared with September 2023.

Fig.1 Annual change in Foring Trade (%)

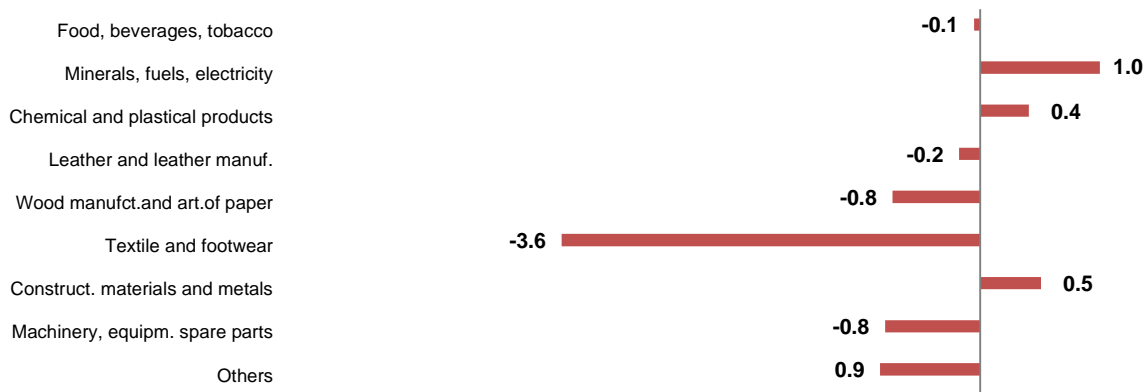


In the first ten months of 2023, the value of exports was ALL 370 billion, decreasing by -8.6 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was ALL 728 billion, decreasing by -6.4 % compared with previous year. Trade deficit was ALL 358 billion, decreasing by -4.2 % compared with the same period of 2022.

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

In annual decrease of exports by -4.3 % this month, a contribution was given by the groups “Textile and footwear” with -3.6 percentage point, “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with -0.8 percentage point, “Wood manufactories and article of paper” with -0.8 percentage point, ect. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with +1.0 percentage point, “Constructions materials and metals” with +0.5 percentage point and “Chemical and plastical products” with +0.4 percentage point.

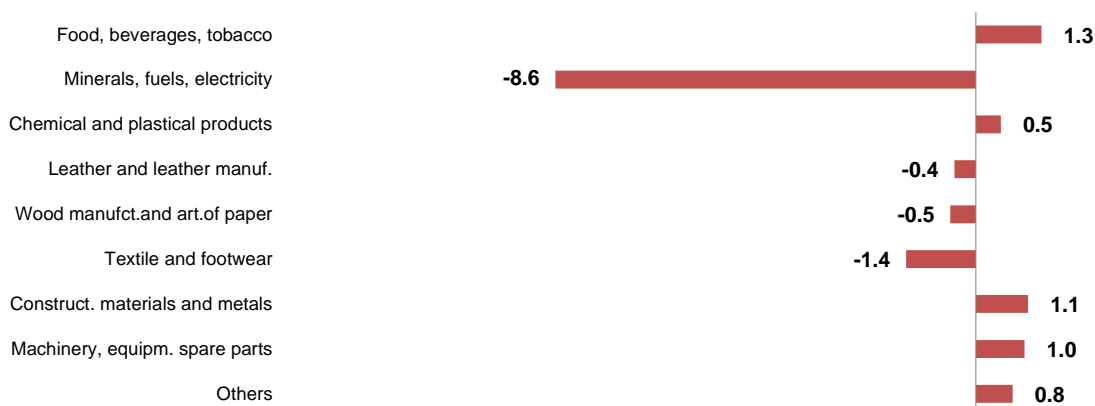
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**Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports, October 2023**

Exports during the ten months of 2023 are decreased by -8.6 % 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 -6.4 percentage point, “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with -1.2 percentage point, “Textile and footwear” with -1.2 percentage point, ect. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +1.3 percentage point, “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with +0.3 percentage point, ect.

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

In annual decrease of imports by -6.3 %, this month has mainly affected the group: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with -8.6 percentage point, “Textile and footwear” with -1.4 percentage point, “Wood manufactories and article of paper” with -0.5 percentage point, ect. While a positive contribution was given by the group: “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +1.3 percentage, “Constructions materials and metals” with +1.1 percentage point, “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with +1.0 percentage point, ect.

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

In the first ten months of 2023, imports are decreased by -6.4 % compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected negativity in annual decrease of imports, are: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with -6.3 percentage point and “Constructions materials and metals” with -1.6 percentage point, “Textile and footwear” with -0.7 percentage point, ect. While a positive contribution was given by the group: “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with +3.3 percentage point.

### **The performance of trade in goods by partner countries**

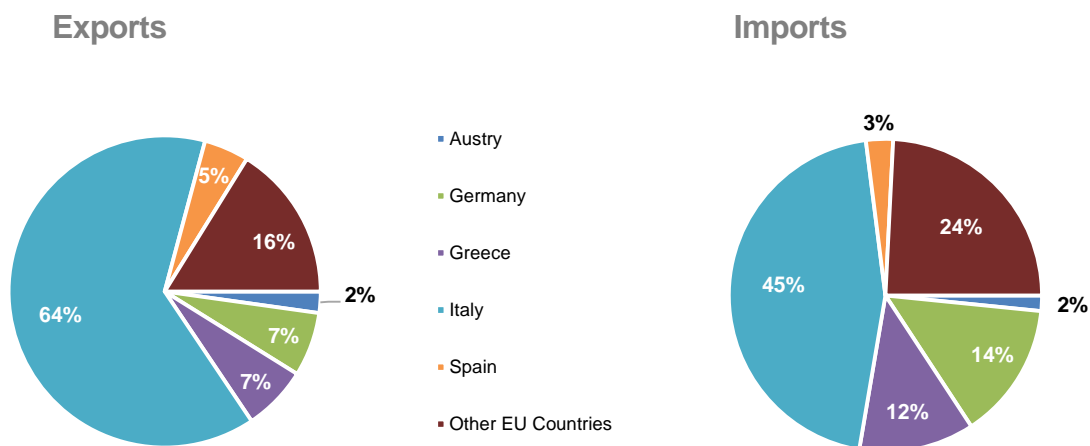
In October 2023, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of exports, compared to October 2022 are: Italy (4.2 %), Germany (26.2 %), Spain (40.0 %) . While, country with which has had a increase of imports is: Kosovo (12.9 %), Greece (0.7 %), Turkey (202.9 %).

In the first ten months of 2023, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of exports, compared to the same period of 2022 are: Italy (9.4 %), Germany (30.7 %), Spain (6.2 %), ect. While, countries with which has had a increase of exports are: Kosovo (12.1 %), Greece (15.5 %), Macedonia (3.4 %), ect.

In October 2023, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of imports, compared to October 2022 are: Italy (3.3 %), Turkey (18.0 %), Greece (26.7 %), ect. While, countries with which has had a increase of imports are: China (13.7 %), Germany (15.5 %), SHBA (5.9 %), ect.

In the first ten months of 2023, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of imports, compared to the same period of 2022 are: Italy (4.0 %), Turkey (25.3 %), Greece (25.2 %), ect. While, countries with which has had a increase of imports are: China (26.0 %), Germany (5.0 %), USA (28.9 %), ect.

**Fig.4 Foreign Trade in Goods by several EU countries, October 2023**



Trade with the EU countries is 57.4 % of total trade. In October 2023, exports to EU countries occupied 71.7 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 50.7 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (30.2 %), China (8.1 %), Turkey (8.0 %), and Germany (6.4 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first ten months of 2023 is 58.4 % of total trade. In this period, the share of exports to EU countries was 72.8 % of total export and share of imports from EU countries was 51.1 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (29.5 %), China (7.8 %), Turkey (6.8 %) and Greece (6.6 %).

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
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
	08 - 20	19	-3.4	48	-6.7	-29	40.2
	09 - 20	25	1.3	52	0.5	-27	48.2
	10 - 20	27	-0.5	59	0.1	-32	45.3
	Jan.-Oct.20	222	-12.2	488	-9.7	-267	45.4
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
	08 - 21	24	22.5	61	26.2	-37	39.0
	09 - 21	25	1.3	52	0.5	-27	48.2
	10 - 21	34	26.3	77	29.2	-43	44.3
	Jan.-Oct.21	292	31.7	616	26.2	-324	47.4
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
	08 - 22	35	48.1	80	30.8	-44	44.2
	09 - 22	39	52.5	88	67.6	-49	43.8
	10 - 22	38	12.5	83	8.6	-45	45.9
	Jan.-Oct.22	404	38.6	778	26.4	-374	52.0
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
	08 - 23	27	-21.9	68	-15.0	-40	40.6
	09 - 23	34	-12.8	73	-16.6	-40	45.8
	10 - 23	37	-4.3	78	-6.3	-42	46.8
	Jan.-Oct.23	370	-8.6	728	-6.4	-358	50.8

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

	Exports				Imports			
	October 2022	October 2023	Jan.-Oct. 2022	Jan.-Oct.2023	October 2022	October 2023	Jan.-Oct. 2022	Jan.-Oct.2023
<b>EU countries</b>	<b>29,380</b>	<b>26,215</b>	<b>298,917</b>	<b>269,118</b>	<b>43,819</b>	<b>39,584</b>	<b>406,061</b>	<b>371,970</b>
Austria	491	580	4,309	3,815	502	632	5,650	6,868
Germany	2,363	1,744	28,409	19,691	4,850	5,604	48,626	51,063
Greece	1,752	1,763	21,330	24,636	6,445	4,722	63,572	47,533
Italy	17,407	16,669	178,139	161,317	18,550	17,938	169,548	162,809
Spain	2,035	1,221	16,871	15,832	1,741	1,107	13,605	11,385
Croatia	308	231	6,173	4,008	853	1,044	8,346	7,664
Others of EU	5,024	4,006	43,685	39,818	10,878	8,537	96,715	84,648
United Kingdom	260	168	1,810	6,155	573	790	6,269	7,103
China	390	1,097	8,292	7,900	7,219	8,207	62,054	78,164
Kosovo	3,126	3,530	30,953	34,694	1,504	1,022	13,288	9,553
North Macedonia	1,236	1,092	13,890	14,367	955	1,104	12,873	11,521
Russia	18	-	43	8	1,120	241	9,601	3,718
USA	800	450	12,066	3,682	1,287	1,363	11,223	14,470
Turkey	442	1,338	5,250	4,427	9,541	7,826	94,345	70,513
Ukraine	15	6	460	1,051	285	573	3,485	3,512
Switzerland	96	166	2,645	3,961	593	966	6,348	11,546
Others	2,448	2,489	30,127	24,440	16,394	16,380	152,924	146,228
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,211</b>	<b>36,551</b>	<b>404,452</b>	<b>369,803</b>	<b>83,290</b>	<b>78,056</b>	<b>778,470</b>	<b>728,298</b>

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

Group of goods	Exports				Imports			
	October 2022	October 2023	Jan.-Oct. 2022	Jan.-Oct.2023	October 2022	October 2023	Jan.-Oct. 2022	Jan.-Oct.2023
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,211</b>	<b>36,551</b>	<b>404,452</b>	<b>369,803</b>	<b>83,290</b>	<b>78,056</b>	<b>778,470</b>	<b>728,298</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	4,592	4,571	41,178	46,340	11,862	12,978	125,282	121,596
Minerals, fuels, electricity	6,388	6,784	86,893	81,837	15,767	8,636	134,603	85,651
Chemical and plastical products	1,332	1,494	15,228	13,188	9,845	10,268	96,801	96,053
Leather and leather manuf,	260	190	2,369	2,268	1,609	1,245	14,370	11,775
Wood manufct,and art, of paper	1,262	971	11,807	9,440	2,940	2,507	29,318	24,953
Textile and footwear	12,170	10,782	111,678	106,813	10,017	8,834	84,380	78,803
Construct, materials and metals	7,266	7,467	92,559	66,536	11,257	12,144	115,136	102,678
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	3,729	3,413	32,325	33,377	16,942	17,768	150,393	176,341
Others	1,211	879	10,417	10,003	3,050	3,676	28,187	30,447

**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
<b>Total</b>	<b>178,139</b>	<b>161,317</b>	<b>30,953</b>	<b>34,694</b>	<b>21,330</b>	<b>24,636</b>	<b>28,409</b>	<b>19,691</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	9,388	12,789	4,475	5,496	3,304	3,926	1,464	1,703
Minerals, fuels, electricity	17,688	8,978	4,702	6,928	3,245	8,012	16,130	6,447
Chemical and plastical products	4,137	5,060	3,428	3,444	3,042	908	53	43
Leather and leather manuf.	2,170	2,095	12	8	33	54	11	11
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	7,123	5,477	1,243	1,025	1,723	1,483	267	107
Textile and footwear	87,296	82,996	148	185	4,689	5,831	6,809	8,154
Construct, materials and metals	28,977	21,318	14,116	14,369	4,495	3,474	1,047	1,327
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	16,455	18,043	1,503	1,853	116	128	2,215	1,629
Others	4,906	4,561	1326,6	1,387	683	821	413	270

**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
<b>Total</b>	<b>169,548</b>	<b>162,809</b>	<b>62,054</b>	<b>78,164</b>	<b>94,345</b>	<b>70,513</b>	<b>48,626</b>	<b>51,063</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	23,833	24,204	1,235	1,549	5,229	4,950	4,884	4,803
Minerals, fuels, electricity	3,585	5,713	6	36	8,393	8,239	771	821
Chemical and plastical products	20,857	19,718	6,187	6,956	10,400	9,916	10,194	9,817
Leather and leather manuf.	11,336	9,486	793	754	468	277	36	98
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	6,397	5,653	1,034	1,703	4,978	3,835	1,030	765
Textile and footwear	41,013	36,153	10,427	11,164	15,745	11,862	1,817	2,156
Construct, materials and metals	22,119	20,913	7,176	11,537	34,960	17,618	1,857	1,702
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	33,984	33,965	29,204	38,403	9,896	10,319	26,339	29,082
Others	6,425	7,004	5,992	6,062	4,276	3,496	1,700	1,819

# 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.

Combined Nomenclature (CN) is a goods nomenclature used by international trade in goods statistics and for customs tariffs.

Member State of European Union: Belgium, Germany, France, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Denmark, Ireland, Greece, Spain, Portugal, Austria, Finland, Sweden, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Croatia.

## 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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