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## **External Trade**

## September, 2014

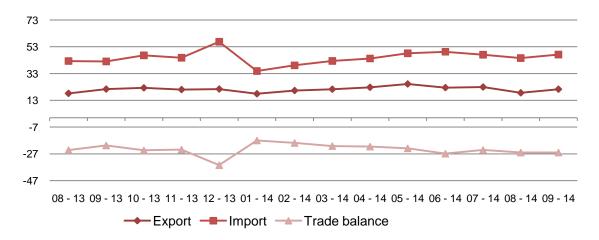
**Tirana, October 28, 2014:** On September 2014 the value of exports was 21 billion lekë, decreasing by 0.4 % comparing with September 2013 and increasing 14.5 % comparing with August 2014. The main groups of goods decreasing, compare with the same period of the previous year, were: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" by 34.5 % and "Leather and leather manufactures" by 7.7 %. The main groups of goods increasing, compare with the same period of the previous year, were: "Textile and footwear" by 27.5 % and "Machineries, equipments and spare parts" by 25.3 %.

On September 2014 the value of imports was 47 billion lekë, increasing by 12.2 % compared with September 2013 and 6.0 % compared with August 2014. The main groups of goods increasing compare with the same period of the previous year were: "Textile and footwear" by 28.0 %, "Leather and leather manufactures" by 25.8 % and "Chemical and plastically product" by 23.4 %. Import of group: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" decreased by 4.7 %, compare with the same period of the previous year.

This month the trade deficit is 26 billion lekë signing an increase by 25.2 % compared with September 2013 and decreasing 0.1 % compared with August 2014.

Trade with the EU countries is 64.8% of total trade. The main trade partners remain Italy (36.8 %), Greece (7.2 %), Turkey (7.2 %) and China (6.1 %).

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



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

Years	Months	Export	Import	Trade Balance	Percentage of cove
2000		27.027	457.400	400.070	22
2001		37,037 44,096	157,109	-120,072	23
2002		47,490	190,155 210,368	-146,059 -162,877	
2003		54,487	225,983	-102,077 -171,496	24
2004		62,121	236,072	-171,490	26
2005		65,818	262,191	-196,373	25
2006		77,405	299,147	-221,742	25
2007		97,171	376,194	-279,023	25
2008		112,572	439,894	-327,322	25
2009		104,515	428,839	-324,324	24
2010		161,548	477,768	-316,220	33
2011		196,897	544,004	-347,108	36
2012		213,030	528,490	-315,460	40
2013		246,391	517,312	-270,921	4
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2012	01 - 12	13,464	37,055	-23,591	3
	02 - 12	15,190	37,306	-22,116	4
	03 - 12	16,760	44,447	-27,687	3
	04 - 12	17,995	39,953	-21,958	4
	05 - 12	19,347	44,378	-25,031	4
	06 - 12	17,702	46,203	-28,501	3
	07 - 12	19,571	47,721	-28,150	4
	08 - 12	17,389	45,653	-28,264	3
	09 - 12	19,214	46,510	-27,296	4
	10 - 12	19,030	46,635	-27,605	4
	11 - 12	19,460	45,797	-26,337	4
	12 - 12	17,908	46,832	-28,924	3
2013	01 - 13	18,128	34,159	-16,031	5
	02 - 13	15,876	33,350	-17,474	4
	03 - 13	19,301	38,229	-18,928	5
	04 - 13	20,600	41,499	-20,899	4
	05 - 13	23,201	45,131	-21,930	5
	06 - 13	20,761	41,500	-20,739	5
	07 - 13	24,288	48,383	-24,095	5
	08 - 13	18,155	42,403	-24,248	4
	09 - 13	21,360	42,123	-20,763	5
	10 - 13	22,301	46,680	-24,379	4
	11 - 13	21,008	44,879	-23,870	4
	12 - 13	21,411	58,976	-37,565	3
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2014	01 - 14	17,869	34,921	-17,052	5
	02 - 14	20,304	39,193	-18,890	5
	03 - 14	21,301	42,479	-21,178	5
	04 - 14	22,720	44,309	-21,589	5
	05 - 14	25,318	48,235	-22,917	5
	06 - 14	22,483	49,350	-26,867	4
	07 - 14	22,911	47,152	-24,241	4
	08 - 14 09 - 14	18,582	44,598	-26,016	4

Tab.2 Foreign trade by countries (million ALL)

	September 2013	Import September 2014	Jan-Sep '13	Jan-Sep '14	September 2013	Export September 2014	Jan-Sep '13	Jan-Sep '14
Total	42,123	47,282	366,777	397,518	21,360	21,284	181,671	192,771
EU countries	25,910	28,414	237,928	239,730	16,215	16,050	139,553	150,601
Austria	394	615	4,626	4,696	92	103	928	1,146
United Kingdom	260	551	2,740	3,936	15	67	226	243
Germany	2,669	2,763	21,408	23,603	735	526	8,037	5,445
Greece	3,495	4,068	34,449	39,262	711	844	5,781	6,725
Italy	13,811	14,232	123,669	115,740	9,013	11,002	82,998	99,651
Spain	592	922	5,837	6,295	1,300	1,410	20,254	13,506
Croatia	385	309	4,717	4,642	15	21	272	227
Others of EU	4,304	4,955	40,482	41,659	4,334	2,077	21,058	23,663
China	2,505	3,583	24,079	28,125	1,226	625	9,012	7,449
Kosovo	605	644	4,464	4,479	1,363	1,467	12,557	12,356
Macedonia	780	791	6,358	5,919	399	639	3,449	3,978
Russia	1,173	1,111	6,878	8,863	2	39	182	88
USA	492	671	7,944	11,110	266	92	819	1,011
Turkey	3,125	3,470	23,246	28,032	809	1,438	4,652	8,020
Ukraine	317	144	3,266	2,866	6	-	18	19
Switzerland	1,302	1,036	4,391	13,475	281	151	3,629	1,246
Others	5,913	7,418	48,223	54,817	793	783	7,799	7,997

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

		Import				Export		
Group of goods	September 2013	September 2014	Jan-Sep '13	Jan-Sep '14	September 2013	September 2014	Jan-Sep '13	Jan-Sep '14
Total	42,123	47,282	366,777	397,518	21,360	21,284	181,671	192,771
Food, beverages, tobacco	7,994	8,474	68,810	68,814	1,216	1,339	9,809	10,871
Minerals, fuels, electricity	8,669	8,261	65,671	68,856	8,035	5,262	75,352	67,152
Chemical and plastical products	4,717	5,822	50,967	53,638	298	301	2,174	2,557
Leather and leather manuf.	736	925	7,901	10,436	336	310	2,485	2,304
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	1,742	1,968	14,825	16,571	812	838	5,365	6,553
Textile and footwear	4,330	5,542	37,915	45,655	6,226	7,937	51,882	65,127
Construct. materials and metals	5,797	6,445	45,747	50,144	3,301	3,685	25,109	27,880
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	7,199	8,562	64,594	70,713	826	1,035	6,425	6,478
Others	938	1,283	10,347	12,691	308	578	3,070	3,848

Tab. 4 Export of group of goods and main partners, January – September 2014 (million ALL)

Group of goods	Italy	Spain	Kosovo	Turkey	Others
Total	99,651	13,506	12,356	8,020	59,237
Food, beverages, tobacco	3,548	366	1,157	261	5,540
Minerals, fuels, electricity	19,258	11,512	4,230	1,039	31,113
Chemical and plastical products	834	5	661	134	923
Leather and leather manuf.	1,919	43	4	110	228
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	4,666	6	367	57	1,458
Textile and footwear	54,692	785	60	23	9,567
Construct. materials and metals	8,426	776	5,057	6,305	7,316
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	4,437	0	421	56	1,564
Others	1,871	14	399	35	1,529

Tab. 5 Import of group of goods and main partners, January - September 2014 (million ALL)

Group of goods	Italy	Greece	China	Turkey	Others
Total	115,740	39,262	28,125	28,032	186,360
Food, beverages, tobacco	10,954	10,299	406	3,392	43,762
Minerals, fuels, electricity	19,198	11,417	8	524	37,708
Chemical and plastical products	10,622	5,420	2,606	4,405	30,585
Leather and leather manuf.	8,674	47	463	107	1,145
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	5,885	2,204	832	2,216	5,434
Textile and footwear	25,381	1,786	5,488	7,345	5,655
Construct. materials and metals	11,987	5,307	6,463	5,456	20,931
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	19,991	1,949	9,458	3,317	35,998
Others	3,047	831	2,400	1,271	5,141

**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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**Explanation of Symbols** 

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