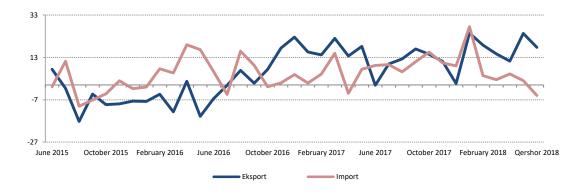


Foreign Trade in Goods

June 2018

Tirana, July 17, 2018: On June 2018 the value of exports was 27 billion lekë, increasing by 17.8 % compared with the same period of previous year and decreasing by 11.9 % compared with May 2018. The value of imports was 54 billion lekë, decreasing by 5.0 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 4.9 % compared with May 2018. This month the trade deficit is 27 billion lekë signing a decrease by 20.0 % compared with June 2017 and increase by 3.1 % compared with May 2018.

Fig.1 Annual change in Foring Trade (%)



In the first six months of 2018, the value of exports was 158 billion lekë, increasing by 18.3 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was 309 billion lekë, increasing by 4.7 %. Trade deficit was 151 billion lekë, decreasing by 6.6 % compared with the same period of 2017.

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

In annual increase of exports by 17.8 % this month a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with +8.9 percentage point, "Construction materials and metals" with +4.5 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with +1.7percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the group: "Leather and leather manufactories" with -0.1 percentage point.

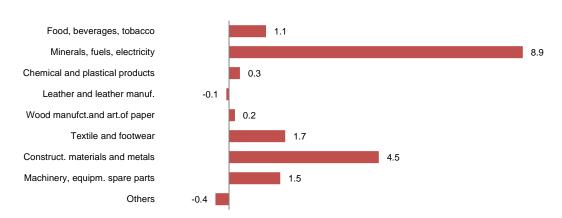


Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports, June 2018

Exports in the six five months of 2018 are increased by 18.3 % compared with the same period of previous year. All groups affected positivity in annual increase of exports, who the groups that influenced more in annual increase of imports, are: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with +5.9 percentage point, "Construction materials and metals" with +4.5 percentage point. "Textile and footwear" with +4.0 percentage point,

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

In annual decrease of imports by 1.9 % in June 2018 a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Food, beverages, tobacco" with -2.0 percentage point, "Machinery, equipment, spare parts" with -1.5 percentage point, "Construction materials and metals" with -1.0 percentage point. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Textile and footwear" with -0.8 percentage point, "Leather and leather manufactories" with +0.04 percentage point.

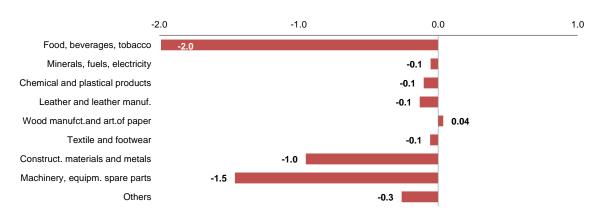


Fig.3 Contribution of groups in annual change of imports, June 2018

In the first six months of 2018, imports are increased by 4.7 % compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected positivity in annual increase of imports, are: "Machinery, equipment, spare parts" with +2.1 percentage point, "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with +1.9 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with +0.4 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the group: "Construction materials and metals" with -0.4 percentage point.

The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

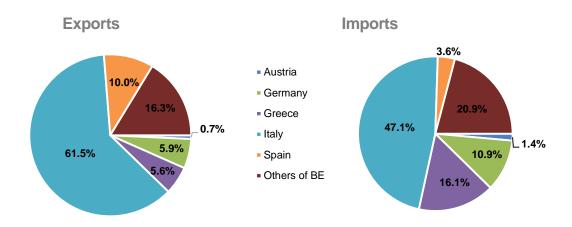
In June 2018, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to June 2017 are: Italy (1.1%), Kosovo (37.5 %) and Spain (70.9 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: China (-7.8 %), Bulgaria (-4.6 %) and Bosnia & Hercegovina (-10.6 %).

In the first six months of 2018, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to the same period of 2017 are: Italy (5.1 %), Spain (94.3 %) and Kosovo (11.8 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Turkey (-12.2 %), China (-25.0 %) and Ukraine (-53.7 %).

In June 2018, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to June 2017 are: Greece (8.9 %), Turkey (10.3 %) and China (3.7 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: Italy (-2.2 %), Germany (-24.8 %) and Spain (-10.4 %).

In the first six months of 2018, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to the same period of 2017 are: Italy (2.9 %), Greece (6.8 %) and Turkey (2.9 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Germany (-2.7 %), USA (-4.7 %) and Ukrainet (-32.5 %).

Fig.4 ForeignTrade in Goods by several EU countries, June 2018



Trade with the EU countries is 68.0 % of total trade. In June 2018, exports to EU countries occuped 76.3 % of total export and imports from EU countries occuped 63.9 % of total import. The main trade partners remain Italy (35.6 %), Greece (8.3 %), Germany (6.2 %) and China (6.1 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first five months of 2018 is 67.6 % of total trade. In the first six months of 2018, exports to EU countries occuped 77.2 % of total export and imports from EU countries occuped 62.7 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (35.6 %), Germany (7.0 %), Greece (6.8 %) and China (5.9 %).

Tab. 1 Flow of goods (billion ALL)

			Annual Change		Annual Change	Tuesda	Davaantava
Years	Months	Exports	(%)	Imports	(%)	Trade	Percentage
						Balance	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
2016	01 - 16	16	-7.8	35	-1.0	-18	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
	January – June 2016	118	-7.7	279	9.3	-162	42.1
2017	01 - 17	19	15.6	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	-31	43.6
	06 - 16	23	-0.1	57	9.2	-34	39.7
	January – June 2017	134	13.5	296	5.7	-162	45.2
2018	01 – 18	24	24.4	45	27.5	-21	52.5
	02 - 18	24	18.8	46	4.4	-22	52.0
	03 - 18	27	14.6	55	2.5	-28	49.0
	04 - 18	27	11.3	53	5.2	-26	50.9
	05 - 18	30	24.3	57	1.9	-27	53.2
	06 - 16	27	17.8	54	-5.0	-27	49.2
	January – June 2018	158	18.3	309	4.7	-151	51.1

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

		Exports		Imports					
	June-17	June-18	Jan-June 2017	Jan-June 2018	June-17	June-18	Jan-June 2017	Jan-June 2018	
EU countries	17,673	20,270	102,552	122,030	36,868	34,511	185,756	193,857	
Austria	99	148	780	915	710	494	2,815	3,303	
United Kingdom	64	70	211	432	481	575	2,673	2,933	
Germany	936	1,195	5,445	7,043	5,006	3,765	25,566	24,879	
Greece	994	1,142	5,919	6,862	5,094	5,547	24,024	25,658	
Italy	12,329	12,464	72,641	76,327	16,612	16,242	87,380	89,876	
Spain	1,183	2,022	6,514	12,656	1,379	1,236	6,334	6,513	
Croatia	105	67	412	426	617	365	2,133	2,793	
Others of EU	1,963	3,162	10,630	17,369	6,970	6,287	34,831	37,901	
China	287	265	4,493	3,369	4,103	4,256	22,258	24,002	
Kosovo	1,849	2,543	9,976	11,155	723	698	3,832	3,857	
Macedonia	667	716	3,900	4,029	805	836	4,008	4,381	
Russia	-	7	37	18	758	886	4,520	5,371	
USA	297	461	1,306	2,402	812	639	4,747	4,522	
Turkey	165	254	1,002	880	4,253	4,693	24,450	25,166	
Ukraine	30	31	271	125	192	430	1,943	1,312	
Switzerland	50	24	700	2,214	895	607	4,139	4,752	
Others	1,551	2,009	9,264	11,761	7,390	6,421	39,852	42,115	
Total	22,571	26,580	133,501	157,982	56,800	53,977	295,505	309,335	

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

	Exports							Imports					
Group of goods	June-17	June-18	Jan-June 2017	Jan-June 2018	June-17	June-18	Jan-June 2017	Jan-June 2018					
Total	22,571	26,580	133,501	157,982	56,800	53,977	295,505	309,335					
Food, beverages, tobacco	2,654	2,905	13,638	15,672	9,756	8,627	50,858	51,626					
Minerals, fuels, electricity	2,766	4,768	22,887	30,765	4,718	4,688	25,223	30,928					
Chemical and plastical products	388	462	2,276	2,779	7,840	7,782	43,413	43,380					
Leather and leather manuf,	286	267	1,511	1,517	2,005	1,930	9,622	10,056					
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	635	675	3,708	4,286	2,014	2,035	11,007	11,745					
Textile and footwear	10,268	10,652	57,886	63,286	7,969	7,936	42,772	44,031					
Construct, materials and metals	3,557	4,577	21,067	27,091	7,861	7,321	38,661	37,421					
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	1,286	1,635	6,975	8,421	12,350	11,522	62,135	68,227					
Others	732	640	3,553	4,165	2,286	2,137	11,814	11,921					

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

	Italy		S	Spain		Kosovo		Germany	
Group of goods	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	
Total	72,641	76,327	6,514	12,656	9,976	11,155	5,445	7,043	
Food, beverages, tobacco	3,179	3,781	395	557	1,524	1,444	665	658	
Minerals, fuels, electricity	4,897	1,793	5,046	10,487	2,855	2,005	693	1,306	
Chemical and plastical products	666	759	3	25	637	619	9	13	
Leather and leather manuf,	1,172	1,154	12	132	2	4	0	3	
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	2,610	2,988	3	284	171	219	52	74	
Textile and footwear	45,791	49,045	850	1,065	64	53	2,781	3,743	
Construct, materials and metals	8,375	9,661	200	92	3,842	5,849	697	346	
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	4,270	5,160	1	4	333	346	425	627	
Others	1,681	1,986	5	9	548	615	124	274	

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

	lta	Italy		Greece		Turkey		Germany	
Group of goods	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	
Total	87,380	89,876	24,024	25,658	24,450	25,166	25,566	24,879	
Food, beverages, tobacco	9,016	8,818	6,735	7,670	2,872	2,902	1,939	2,246	
Minerals, fuels, electricity	7,285	6,995	3,457	3,968	1,104	406	291	219	
Chemical and plastical products	9,316	9,114	3,987	3,851	3,717	3,830	3,747	3,870	
Leather and leather manuf,	7,536	7,737	34	40	175	157	4	110	
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	3,147	3,599	1,390	1,505	1,562	1,484	388	368	
Textile and footwear	21,861	22,445	1,903	1,925	7,630	7,841	1,251	1,456	
Construct, materials and metals	9,986	10,825	4,426	4,356	2,792	3,647	4,489	742	
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	16,106	17,288	1,227	1,424	3,463	3,687	12,547	14,900	
Others	3,126	3,056	866	921	1,135	1,212	910	969	

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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Monthly revisions

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Explanation of Symbols

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