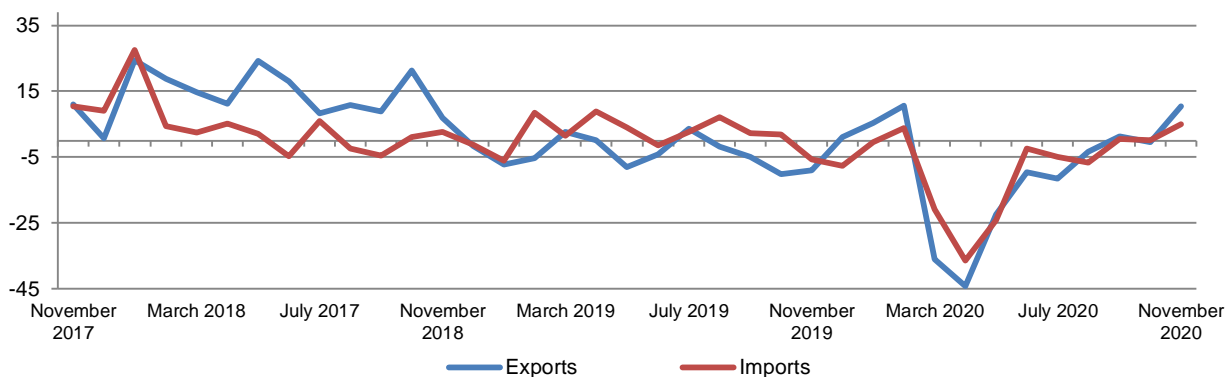


Foreign Trade in Goods

November 2020

Tirana, December 17, 2020: On November 2020 the value of exports was ALL 27 billion, increasing by 10.5% compared with the same period of previous year and by 1.7 % compared with October 2020. The value of imports was ALL 56 billion, increasing by 5.0 % compared with the same period of previous year and decreasing 6.3 % compared with October 2020. This month the trade deficit is ALL 28 billion, increasing by 0.2 % compared with November 2019 and decreasing by 12.9 compared with October 2020.

Fig.1 Annual change in Foreign Trade (%), November 2020



In the first eleven months of 2020, the value of exports was ALL 249 billion, decreasing by 10.1 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was ALL 544 billion, decreasing by 8.4 % compared with previous year. Trade deficit was ALL 295 billion, decreasing by 6.9 % compared with the same period of 2019.

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

In annual increase of exports by 10.5 % this month, a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Machinery, equipment spare parts" with +4.3 percentage point, "Construction materials and metals" with +3.5 percentage point, "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with +2.4 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the groups: "Textile and footwear" with -1.4 percentage point, "Leather and leather manufactories" with -0.3 percentage point, "Chemical and plastical products" with -0.1 percentage point.

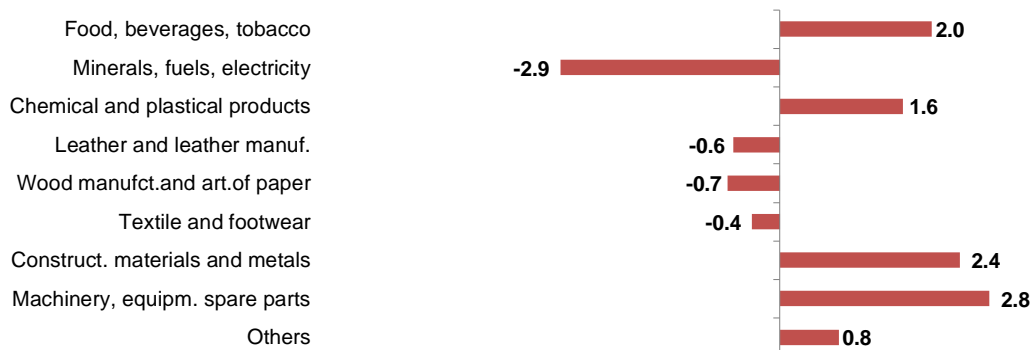
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Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports, November 2020

Exports during the first eleven months of 2020 are decreased by -10.1 % compared with the same period of previous year. The main groups that influenced more in annual decrease of exports are: “Textile and footwear” with -5.8 percentage point, “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with -3.2 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals” with -1.8 percentage point. While a positive contribution was given by the group: “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +1.2 percentage point and “Machinery, equipment spare parts” with +0.3 percentage point.

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

In annual increase of imports by 5.0%, this month has mainly affected the groups: “Machinery, equipment spare parts” with +2.8 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals” with +2.4 percentage point, “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +2.0 percentage point. While, a negative contribution was given by the groups: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with -2.9 percentage point, “Wood manufactories and article of paper” with -0.7 percentage point, “Leather and leather manufactories” with -0.6 percentage point.

Fig.3 Contribution of groups in annual change of imports , November 2020

In the first eleven months of 2020, imports are decreased by 8.4 % compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected in annual decrease of imports, are: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with - 3.9 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with -2.0 percentage point, "Machinery, equipment spare parts" with -1.1 percentage point. While a positive contribution was given by the group: "Food, beverages, tobacco" with +0.2 percentage point and "Chemical and plastical products" with +0.1 percentage point.

The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

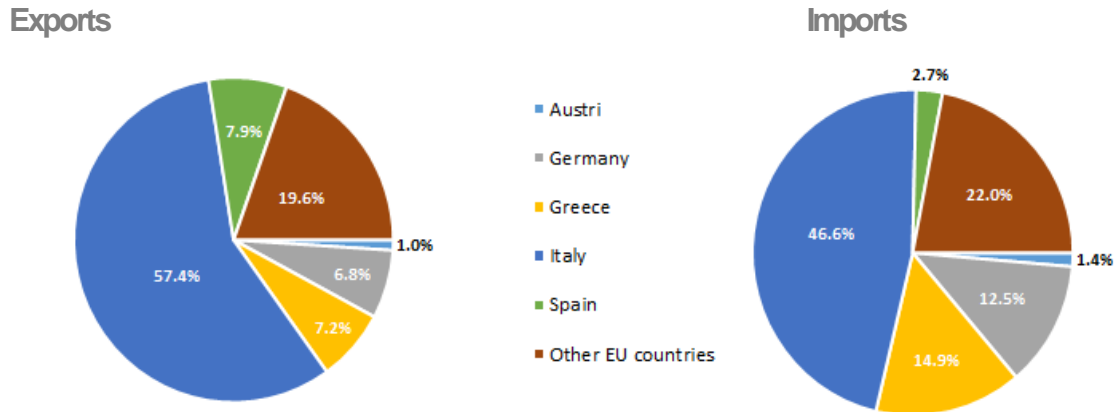
In November 2020, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to November 2019 are: Italy (0.2 %), Kosovo (16.7 %) and Greece (32.4 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Spain (35.5 %), Hungary (45.2 %), and Sweden (48,5 %).

In the first eleven months of 2020, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to the same period of 2019 are: Germany (14.6 %), Greece (3.1 %) and North Macedonia (1.9 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Italy (15.0 %), Kosovo (14.7 %) and Spain (25.5 %).

In November 2020, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to November 2019 are: Italy (9.1 %), China (10.7 %) and Greece (29.6 %). While countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: Turkey (16.0 %), Germany (4.3 %) and France (15.6 %).

In the first eleven months of 2020, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to the same period of 2019 are: Germany (0.3 %), Serbia (36.9 %) and Russia (20.1 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: Italy (9.7 %), Turkey (5.9 %) and Greece (3.1 %).

Fig.4 Foreign Trade in Goods by several EU countries, November 2020



Trade with the EU countries is 64.2 % of total trade. In November 2020, exports to EU countries occupied 75.4 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 58.6 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (32.6 %), Greece (7.6 %), China (6.4 %) and Turkey (6.7 %),

Trade with the EU countries, in the first eleven months of 2020 is 63.3 % of total trade. In this period, the share of exports to EU countries was 75.3 % of total export and share of imports from EU countries was 57.9 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (31.5 %), Greece (7.7 %), Germany (7.2 %) and Turkey (6.8 %).

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	44.7	44.7	44.7	44.7	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
2018	01 - 18	24	24.5	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	2.1	-27	53.1
	06 - 18	27	18.1	54	-4.6	-28	49.2
	07 - 18	27	8.2	58	6.0	-31	46.0
	08 - 18	20	10.8	48	-2.3	-28	42.4
	09 - 18	26	8.9	51	-4.4	-25	51.4
	10 - 18	30	21.3	58	1.2	-28	51.7
	11 - 18	27	7.0	56	2.7	-29	48.4
	January – November 18	289	15.1	581	2.8	-293	49.7
2019	01 - 19	22	-7.3	42	-6.2	-20	51.9
	02 - 19	23	-5.3	50	8.5	-27	45.4
	03 - 19	28	2.7	56	1.4	-28	49.6
	04 - 19	27	0.1	57	8.9	-30	46.7
	05 - 19	28	-8.0	59	4.0	-31	47.0
	06 - 19	26	-4.1	53	-1.4	-28	47.9
	07 - 19	28	3.7	60	2.7	-32	46.4
	08 - 19	20	-1.8	52	7.1	-32	38.8
	09 - 19	25	-4.9	52	2.3	-27	47.8
	10 - 19	27	-10.2	59	1.8	-32	45.6
	11 - 19	25	-9.0	53	-5.6	-28	46.7
	January – November 19	277	-4.1	594	2.1	-317	46.6
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
	11 - 20	27	10.5	56	5.0	-28	49.1
	January – November20	249	-10.1	544	-8.4	-295	45.8

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

	Exports				Imports			
	November2019	November2020	Jan.- Nov2019	Jan.- Nov 2020	November2019	November2020	Jan.- Nov2019	Jan.- Nov 2020
EU countries	19,323	20,625	211,321	187,258	30,949	32,612	342,286	314,780
Austria	134	211	1,683	1,510	544	444	6,300	5,220
Germany	1,199	1,407	13,186	15,106	4,248	4,065	41,756	41,891
Greece	1,126	1,490	11,772	12,133	3,744	4,851	50,417	48,874
Italy	11,822	11,842	133,709	113,659	13,942	15,212	151,088	136,365
Spain	2,528	1,630	20,590	15,346	926	865	10,322	8,917
Croatia	105	295	1,028	1,664	693	406	6,440	5,692
Others of EU	2,410	3,751	29,352	27,840	6,851	6,769	75,963	67,822
United Kingdom	65	36	678	699	422	429	5,096	4,605
China	523	531	5,864	4,390	5,092	5,639	54,468	48,725
Kosovo	2,287	2,669	27,607	23,563	509	741	7,133	7,442
North Macedonia	776	889	7,838	7,991	716	796	7,835	8,143
Russia	-	0	75	13	575	937	10,488	12,600
USA	222	299	3,413	2,908	649	791	11,140	8,288
Turkey	170	302	1,916	2,447	6,226	5,229	54,831	51,621
Ukraine	29	13	157	356	185	314	2,749	3,756
Switzerland	64	19	844	619	1,514	561	14,395	9,252
Others	1,287	1,956	17,178	18,597	6,139	7,584	83,173	74,555
Total	24,744	27,340	276,889	248,841	52,977	55,633	593,594	543,767

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

Group of goods	Exports				Imports			
	November2019	November2020	Jan.- Nov 2019	Jan.- Nov 2020	November2019	November2020	Jan.- Nov 2019	Jan.- Nov 2020
Total	24,744	27,340	276,889	248,841	52,977	55,633	593,594	543,767
Food, beverages, tobacco	3,422	3,872	32,498	35,794	8,340	9,413	100,100	101,055
Minerals, fuels, electricity	4,167	4,771	45,583	36,600	5,940	4,391	71,108	47,895
Chemical and plastical products	629	613	7,173	6,822	7,115	7,983	80,937	81,557
Leather and leather manuf,	230	145	2,283	1,691	1,477	1,148	16,081	11,670
Wood manufct, and art, of paper	896	944	8,854	7,898	2,482	2,111	23,927	21,654
Textile and footwear	9,654	9,313	110,309	94,375	7,906	7,710	80,302	68,305
Construct, materials and metals	3,314	4,175	42,122	37,157	5,603	6,871	72,977	71,059
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	1,682	2,739	19,767	20,651	11,839	13,316	125,455	118,992
Others	749	768	8,302	7,852	2,276	2,692	22,708	21,579

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

Group of goods	Italy		Kosovo		Spain		Germany	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
Total	133,709	113,659	27,607	23,563	20,590	15,346	13,186	15,106
Food, beverages, tobacco	7,943	8,845	3,288	3,577	1,189	1,237	1,579	1,705
Minerals, fuels, electricity	4,867	1,121	6,489	4,501	16,835	12,760	829	1,361
Chemical and plastical products	1,910	1,856	2,009	2,014	49	102	68	57
Leather and leather manuf,	1,922	1,479	5	9	204	71	12	29
Wood manufct,and art, of paper	5,906	4,846	820	701	4	3	166	330
Textile and footwear	85,741	71,004	107	131	2,102	998	7,019	8,132
Construct, materials and metals	12,569	11,646	12,599	10,541	195	124	1,352	1,043
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	9,362	9,546	687	693	8	29	1,422	1,790
Others	3,489	3,316	1,603	1,396	5	22	739	658

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

Group of goods	Italy		Turkey		Greece		China	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
Total	151,088	136,365	54,831	51,621	50,417	48,874	54,468	48,725
Food, beverages, tobacco	17,732	18,002	4,987	4,863	14,418	14,558	725	713
Minerals, fuels, electricity	7,443	5,624	5,149	3,349	10,873	8,690	7	7
Chemical and plastical products	16,971	17,416	7,404	7,674	7,029	7,164	5,142	5,082
Leather and leather manuf,	12,770	9,460	249	279	28	32	712	512
Wood manufct,and art, of paper	6,409	5,283	3,101	2,753	3,270	3,328	973	769
Textile and footwear	37,807	30,209	16,416	14,574	3,381	3,420	10,756	9,189
Construct, materials and metals	17,429	16,301	9,561	8,686	7,586	7,612	8,520	5,790
Machinery, equipm, spare parts	29,545	29,420	6,064	7,214	2,444	2,648	22,325	21,727
Others	4,982	4,649	1,901	2,230	1,388	1,423	5,308	4,936

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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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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