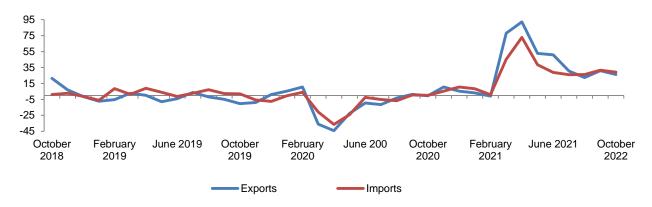


# **Foreign Trade in Goods**

### October 2021

**Tirana, November 19, 2021:** On October 2021 the value of exports was ALL 34 billion, increasing by 26.3 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 2.5 % compared with September 2021. The value of imports was ALL 77 billion, increasing by 29.2 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 11.2 % compared with September 2021. This month the trade deficit is ALL 43 billion, increasing by 31.6 % compared with October 2020 and by 19.1 % compared with September 2021.

Fig. 1 Annual change in Foring Trade (%)

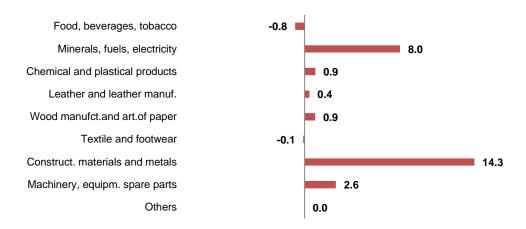


In ten months of 2021, the value of exports was ALL 300 billion, increasing by 35.2 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was ALL 632 billion, increasing by 29.5 % compared with previous year. Trade deficit was ALL 333 billion, increasing by 24.8 % compared with the same period of 2020.

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

In annual increase of exports by 26.3 % this month, a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Construction materials and metals" with +14.3 percentage point, "Mineral, fuels, electricity" with +8.0 percentage point and "Machinery, equipment spare parts" with +2.6 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the groups: "Food, beverages, tobacco" with -0.8 percentage point and "Textile and footware" with -0.1 percentage point.

Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports October 2021

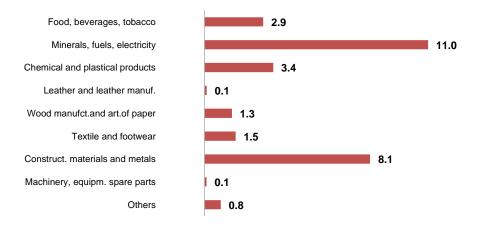


Exports during ten months of 2021 are increased by 35.2 % compared with the same period of previous year. The main groups that influenced more in annual increase of exports are: "Construction materials and metals" with +14.3 percentage point, "Mineral, fuels, electricity" with +11.2 percentage point and "Textile and footwear" with +3.0 percentage point.

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

In annual increase of imports by 29.2 %, this month has mainly affected the groups: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with +11.0 percentage point, "Construction materials and metals" with +8.1 percentage point and "Chemical and plastical products" with 3.4 percentage point.

Fig.3 Contribution of groups in annual change of imports, October 2021



In ten months of 2021, imports are increased by 29.5 % compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected positivity in annual increase of imports, are: "Machinery, equipment spare parts" with +6.8 percentage point, "Mineral, fuels, electricity" with +5.4 percentage point and "Construction materials and metals" with +5.1 percentage point.

## The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

In October 2021, countries with which Albania had the highest increase of exports, compared to October 2020 are: Italy (15.2 %), Kosovo (22.7 %) and Spain (103.5 %). While, the countries with a decrease of exports are: Germany (10.0 %) and United Kingdom (5.1 %).

In ten months of 2021, countries with which Albania had the highest increase of exports, compared to the same period of 2020 are: Italy (23.1 %), Kosovo (48.2 %) and Spain (45.0 %). While, the countries with a decrease of exports are: Ukraine (20.2 %) and Russia (31.9 %).

In October 2021, countries with which Albania had the highest increase of imports, compared to October 2020 are: Italy (19.2 %), Turkey (45.8 %) and Greece (26.1 %). While, the countries with a decrease of exports are: Switzerland (34.5 %) Austria (16.2 %) and Germany (5.2 %).

In the first ten months of 2021, countries with which Albania had the highest increase of imports, compared to the same period of 2020 are: Italy (28.4 %), Turkey (45.4 %) and China (23.7 %). While, countries with a decrease of imports are: Switzerland (7.6 %) and Ukraine (19.2 %) and Russia (2.4 %).

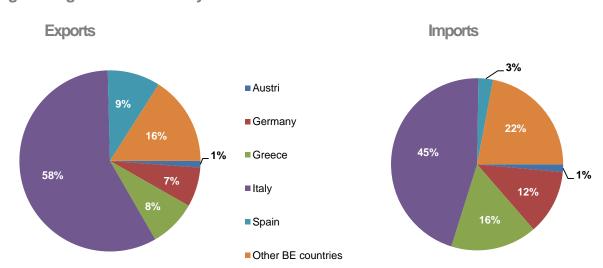


Fig. 4 ForeignTrade in Goods by several EU countries October 2021

Trade with the EU countries is 60.0 % of total trade. In October 2021, exports to EU countries occuped 73.5 % of total export and imports from EU countries occuped 54.1 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (30.1 %), Greece (8.0 %) Turkey (7.2 %), and Germany (6.1 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first ten months of 2021 is 60.5 % of total trade. In this period, the share of exports to EU countries was 72.2 % of total export and share of imports from EU countries was 54.9 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (30.1 %), Turkey (7.7 %), Greece (7.2 %) and Germany (6.6 %).

**Tab. 1 Flow of goods (billion ALL)** 

Years	Months	Exports (mld lekë)	Annual Change (%)	Imports (mld lekë)	Annual Change (%)	Trade Balance (mld lekë)	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
2018	10 - 18	30	21.3	58	1.2	-28	51.7
	January – October 18	262	16.0	525	2.8	-264	49.8
2019	10 - 19	27	-10.2	59	1.8	-32	45.6
	January – October 19	252	-3.6	541	2.9	-288	46.6
2020	10 - 20	27	-0.5	59	0.1	-32	45.3
	January – October 20	222	-12.2	488	-9.7	-267	45.4
2021	10 - 21	34	26.3	77	29.2	-43	44.3
	January – October 21	300	35.2	632	29.5	-333	47.4

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

			Exports		Imports				
	October 2020	October 2021	JanOctober 2020	JanOctober 2021	October 2020	October 2021	JanOctober 2020	JanOctober 2021	
EU countries	20,110	24,950	166,633	216,178	35,976	41,475	282,168	347,285	
Austria	185	297	1,298	2,146	732	613	4,776	5,609	
Germany	1,954	1,758	13,699	16,290	5,314	5,036	37,826	45,458	
Greece	1,342	2,107	10,642	17,607	5,333	6,726	44,023	49,492	
Italy	12,567	14,475	101,817	125,355	15,792	18,821	121,153	155,556	
Spain	1,155	2,350	13,716	19,883	1,123	1,135	8,051	9,367	
Croatia	194	237	1,369	2,226	501	603	5,286	6,344	
Others of EU	2,713	3,725	24,090	32,671	7,181	8,541	61,053	75,459	
United Kingdom	129	122	663	739	490	818	4,177	5,308	
China	469	963	3,859	7,259	5,226	5,639	43,089	53,290	
Kosovo	2,957	3,627	20,895	30,963	819	1,317	6,702	10,633	
North Macedonia	906	1,194	7,103	10,390	818	1,312	7,347	9,742	
Russia	-	1	13	9	750	766	11,663	11,387	
USA	320	366	2,609	3,664	930	1,075	7,497	13,107	
Turkey	240	350	2,145	4,586	5,249	7,651	46,392	67,436	
Ukraine	18	20	343	274	214	207	3,442	2,783	
Switzerland	50	108	601	2,071	1,159	759	8,691	8,032	
Others	1,689	2,260	16,641	23,429	7,751	15,691	66,970	103,351	
Total	26,888	33,962	221,504	299,561	59,382	76,709	488,138	632,355	

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

Group of goods			Exports					
	October 2020	October 2021	Jan, - October 2020	Jan, - October 2021	October 2020	October 2021	Jan, - October 2020	Jan, - October 2021
Total	26,888	33,962	221,504	299,561	59,382	76,709	488,138	632,355
Food. beverages. tobacco	4,385	4,171	31,923	35,896	9,657	11,364	91,643	105,482
Minerals. fuels. electricity	3,459	5,623	31,828	56,595	4,842	11,352	43,505	69,858
Chemical and plastical products	721	964	6,209	8,515	8,532	10,531	73,574	92,695
Leather and leather manuf.	122	231	1,546	2,020	1,338	1,401	10,522	12,014
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	842	1,082	6,955	7,786	2,194	2,990	19,543	22,996
Textile and footwear	9,856	9,825	85,062	91,780	8,340	9,245	60,595	73,325
Construct. materials and metals	4,517	8,368	32,983	64,722	6,956	11,776	64,190	89,239
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	2,083	2,792	17,912	23,607	15,120	15,177	105,677	138,968
Others	904	905	7,085	8,640	2,403	2,873	18,889	27,780

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

	Italy		Kosovo		Spain		Greqi	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
Total	101,817	125,355	20,895	30,963	13,716	19,883	10,642	17,607
Food. beverages. tobacco	7,739	9,085	3,166	3,711	1,084	1,241	2,685	3,159
Minerals. fuels. electricity	1,013	1,489	3,822	6,971	11,544	17,895	819	6,215
Chemical and plastical products	1,672	2,488	1,813	2,603	102	21	473	627
Leather and leather manuf.	1,345	1,512	5	14	71	2	10	13
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	4,227	5,033	641	742	3	67	1,093	1,166
Textile and footwear	63,973	72,004	106	142	746	453	4,141	4,028
Construct. materials and metals	10,305	18,023	9,441	14,336	118	179	1,062	1,882
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	8,586	11,693	609	1,237	26	20	52	76
Others	2,957	4,028	1,291	1,208	22	4	307	442

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

	Italy		Turkey		China		Greece	
Group of goods	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
Total	121,153	155,556	46,392	67,436	43,089	53,290	44,023	49,492
Food. beverages. tobacco	16,261	19,924	4,396	5,629	638	816	13,374	13,525
Minerals. fuels. electricity	5,164	8,844	3,070	4,278	7	11	7,760	8,512
Chemical and plastical products	15,628	19,370	6,991	8,933	4,525	7,304	6,447	7,736
Leather and leather manuf.	8,467	9,820	259	352	467	604	28	28
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	4,763	5,351	2,437	2,853	683	607	3,027	3,335
Textile and footwear	26,610	34,577	12,890	15,504	8,196	9,602	3,106	2,818
Construct. materials and metals	14,305	20,467	8,067	17,174	5,205	4,525	6,695	9,220
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	25,911	31,636	6,325	8,737	19,083	24,696	2,382	2,819
Others	4,045	5,566	1,956	3,975	4,287	5,125	1,203	1,498

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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