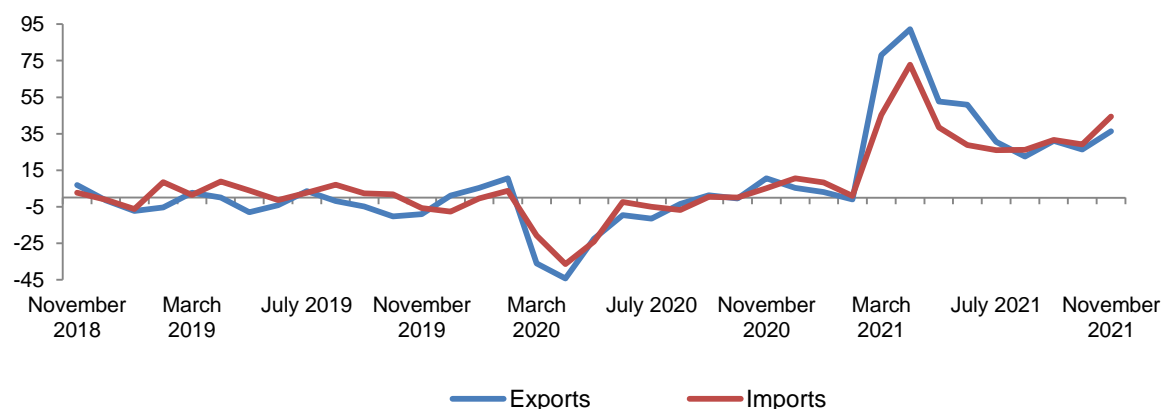


Foreign Trade in Goods

November 2021

Tirana, December 17, 2021: On November 2021 the value of exports was ALL 37 billion, increasing by 36.3 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 9.8 % compared with October 2021. The value of imports was ALL 81 billion, increasing by 44.4 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 5.0 % compared with October 2021. This month the trade deficit is ALL 43 billion, increasing by 52.2 % compared with November 2020 and by 1.1 % compared with October 2021.

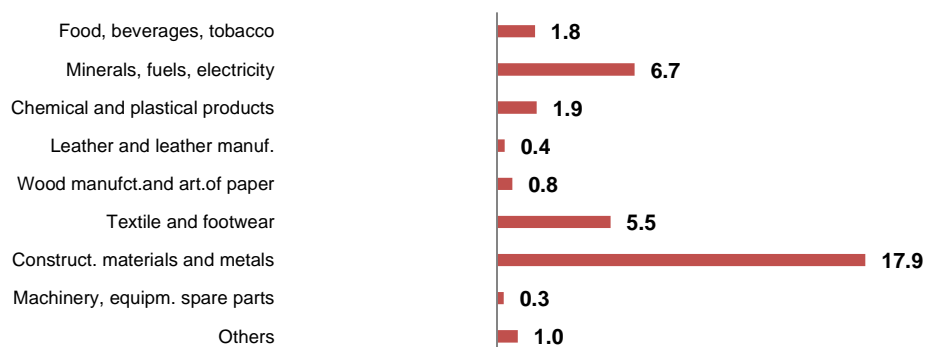
Fig.1 Annual change in Foreign Trade (%)



In eleven months of 2021, the value of exports was ALL 337 billion, increasing by 35.4 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was ALL 713 billion, increasing by 31.1 % compared with previous year. Trade deficit was ALL 376 billion, increasing by 27.4 % compared with the same period of 2020.

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

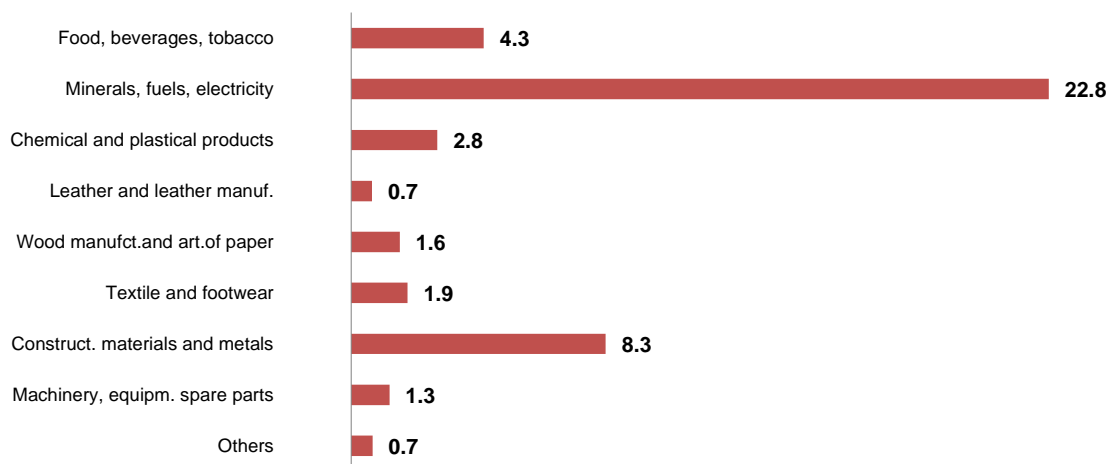
In annual increase of exports by 36.3 % this month, a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Construction materials and metals” with +17.9 percentage point, “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +6.7 percentage point and “Textile and footwear” with +5.5 percentage point.

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

Exports during eleven months of 2021 are increased by 35.4 % 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 +14.7 percentage point, “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +10.7 percentage point and “Textile and footwear” with +3.3 percentage point.

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

In annual increase of imports by 44.4 %, this month has mainly affected the groups: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with +22.8 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals” with +8.3 percentage point and “Food, beverages, tobacco” with 4.3 percentage point.

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

In eleven months of 2021, imports are increased by 31.1 % compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected positively in annual increase of imports, are: “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +7.2 percentage point, “Machinery, equipment spare parts” with +6.3 percentage point, and “Construction materials and metals” with +5.5 percentage point.

The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

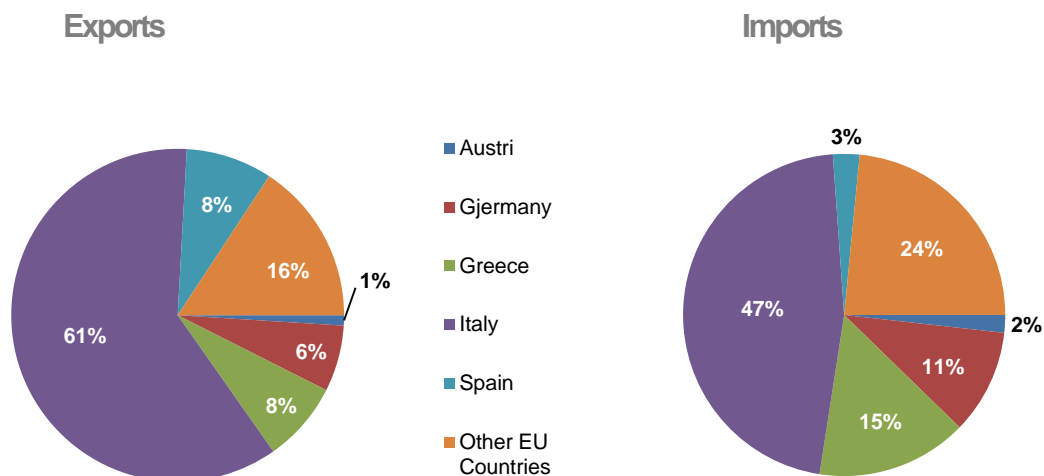
In November 2021, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to November 2020 are: Italy (34.9 %), Kosovo (51.4 %) and Spain (35.6 %).

In eleven months of 2021, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to the same period of 2020 are: Italy (24.3 %), Kosovo (48.5 %) and Spain (44.0 %). While, countries with which had a decrease of exports are: Ukraine (18.9 %) and Russia (9.6 %).

In November 2021, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to November 2020 are: Italy (28.4 %), Turkey (72.8 %) and Greece (31.1 %). While, countries with which had a decrease of exports are: China (2.2 %) and SHBA (12.9 %).

In the first eleven months of 2021, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to the same period of 2020 are: Italy (28.4 %), Turkey (48.1 %) and China (20.7 %). While, the country with which has had a decrease of imports is: Ukraine (10.1 %).

Fig.4 Foreign Trade in Goods by several EU countries November 2021



Trade with the EU countries is 58.0 % of total trade. In November 2021, exports to EU countries occupied 70.8 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 52.1 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (30.1 %), Turkey (8.0 %), Greece (7.2 %) and China (5.6 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first ten months of 2021 is 60.2 % of total trade. In this period, the share of exports to EU countries was 72.0 % of total export and share of imports from EU countries was 54.6 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (30.1 %), Turkey (7.8 %), Greece (7.2 %) and Germany (6.5 %).

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	11 - 18	27	7.0	56	2.7	-29	48.4
	January – November 18	289	15.1	581	2.8	-293	49.7
2019	11 - 19	25	-9.0	53	-5.6	-28	46.7
	January– November 19	277	-4.1	594	2.1	-317	46.6
2020	11 - 20	27	10.6	56	5.2	-28	49.1
	January – November 20	249	-10.1	544	-8.4	-295	45.8
2021	11 - 21	37	36.3	81	44.4	-43	46.3
	January – November 21	337	35.4	713	31.1	-376	47.3

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

	Exports				Imports			
	November 2020	November 2021	Jan.-November 2020	Jan.-November 2021	November 2020	November 2021	Jan.-November 2020	Jan.-November 2021
EU countries	20,633	26,403	187,266	242,581	32,684	41,915	314,852	389,212
Austria	211	263	1,509	2,409	444	745	5,220	6,355
Germany	1,408	1,696	15,107	17,986	4,067	4,422	41,893	49,886
Greece	1,490	2,061	12,133	19,668	4,866	6,379	48,890	55,870
Italy	11,843	15,979	113,661	141,334	15,217	19,533	136,370	175,089
Spain	1,630	2,209	15,346	22,092	870	1,120	8,921	10,487
Croatia	295	714	1,664	2,939	406	648	5,691	6,995
Others of EU	3,756	3,481	27,846	36,152	6,815	9,069	67,867	84,529
United Kingdom	36	105	699	844	429	538	4,606	5,846
China	531	1,114	4,390	8,373	5,639	5,517	48,729	58,807
Kosovo	2,681	4,059	23,576	35,022	741	2,011	7,443	12,644
North Macedonia	889	1,275	7,993	11,665	796	1,567	8,144	12,063
Russia	0	3	13	12	937	1,750	12,600	13,067
USA	299	765	2,908	4,429	791	689	8,288	13,796
Turkey	302	405	2,447	4,991	5,240	9,052	51,631	76,488
Ukraine	13	15	355	288	317	595	3,759	3,378
Switzerland	21	244	622	2,315	561	2,211	9,253	10,933
Others	1,957	2,918	18,598	26,347	7,619	14,673	74,590	116,640
Total	27,363	37,306	248,867	336,868	55,755	80,518	543,893	712,873

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

Group of goods	Exports				Imports			
	November 2020	November 2021	Jan.-November 2020	Jan.-November 2021	November 2020	November 2021	Jan.-November 2020	Jan.-November 2021
Total	27,363	37,306	248,867	336,868	55,755	80,518	543,893	712,873
Food. beverages. tobacco	3,877	4,383	35,800	40,278	9,435	11,856	101,078	117,337
Minerals. fuels. electricity	4,779	6,608	36,607	63,204	4,431	17,154	47,935	87,012
Chemical and plastical products	613	1,143	6,822	9,658	7,986	9,559	81,560	102,254
Leather and leather manuf.	145	250	1,691	2,270	1,148	1,532	11,670	13,546
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	944	1,149	7,898	8,935	2,111	3,002	21,654	25,998
Textile and footwear	9,319	10,826	94,381	102,607	7,711	8,743	68,306	82,068
Construct. materials and metals	4,178	9,067	37,161	73,790	6,901	11,545	71,090	100,784
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	2,741	2,833	20,654	26,440	13,335	14,038	119,011	153,006
Others	768	1,046	7,853	9,686	2,698	3,089	21,587	30,869

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

Group of goods	Italy		Kosovo		Spain		Greece	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
Total	113,661	141,334	23,576	35,022	15,346	22,092	12,133	19,668
Food. beverages. tobacco	8,845	10,363	3,580	4,207	1,237	1,401	3,173	3,453
Minerals. fuels. electricity	1,121	1,641	4,507	7,669	12,760	19,815	913	6,928
Chemical and plastical products	1,856	2,885	2,014	2,856	102	26	518	711
Leather and leather manuf.	1,479	1,755	9	15	71	2	10	14
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	4,846	5,755	701	830	3	72	1,248	1,345
Textile and footwear	71,005	80,657	131	158	998	543	4,665	4,467
Construct. materials and metals	11,646	20,698	10,545	16,489	124	208	1,199	2,159
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	9,546	13,039	693	1,456	29	20	53	85
Others	3,316	4,544	1,396	1,341	22	4	354	506

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

Group of goods	Italy		Turkey		China		Greece	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
Total	136,370	175,089	51,631	76,488	48,729	58,807	48,890	55,870
Food. beverages. tobacco	18,002	22,115	4,863	6,222	713	920	14,558	14,777
Minerals. fuels. electricity	5,624	10,984	3,349	4,519	7	11	8,704	10,906
Chemical and plastical products	17,418	21,435	7,674	9,989	5,082	7,716	7,164	8,463
Leather and leather manuf.	9,460	11,114	279	384	512	668	32	33
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	5,283	6,034	2,753	3,606	769	716	3,328	3,730
Textile and footwear	30,209	38,838	14,574	17,452	9,189	10,641	3,421	3,182
Construct. materials and metals	16,301	23,190	8,686	20,100	5,790	5,023	7,612	10,016
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	29,421	35,158	7,223	9,864	21,727	27,296	2,649	3,095
Others	4,651	6,221	2,230	4,353	4,939	5,816	1,424	1,668

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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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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