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# **Foreign Trade in Goods**

## January 2022

**Tirana, February 17, 2022:** On January 2022 the value of exports was ALL 35 billion, increasing by 47.5 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 9.7 % compared with December 2021. The value of imports was ALL 55 billion, increasing by 21.1 % compared with the same period of previous year and decreasing by 37.4 % compared with December 2021. This month the trade deficit is ALL 20 billion, decreasing by 7.7 % compared with January 2021 and by 64.2 % compared with December 2021.

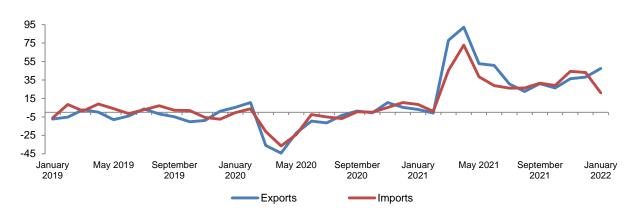
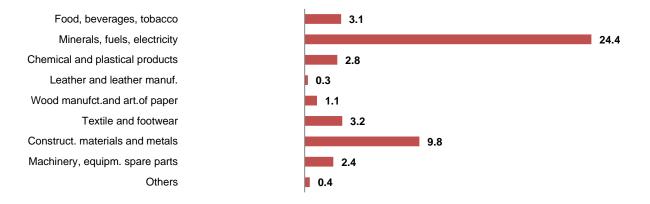


Fig.1 Annual change in Foring Trade (%)

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

In annual increase of exports by 47.5 % this month, a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Mineral, fuels, electricity" with +24.4 percentage point, "Construction materials and metals" with +9.8 percentage point and "Textile and footwear" with +3.2 percentage point.

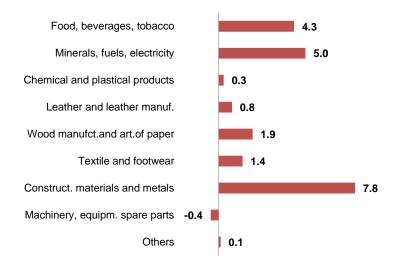
## Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports January 2022



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

In annual increase of imports by 21.1 %, this month has mainly affected the groups: "Construction materials and metals" with +7.8 percentage point, "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with +5.0 percentage point, and ""Food, beverages, tabacco" with +4.3 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the group: "Machinery, equipment and spare parts" with -0.4 percentage point.

## Fig.3 Contribution of groups in annual change of imports, January 2022

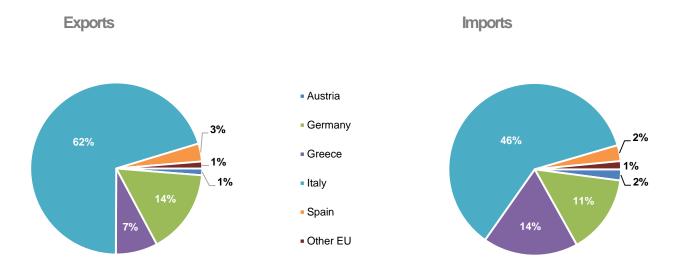


## The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

In January 2022, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to January 2021 are: Italy (38.0 %), Germany (3.4 times %) and Kosovo (103.8 %). While, countries with which had a decrease of exports are: Spain (67.3 %) USA (5.7 %) and Turkey (35.2 %).

In January 2022, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to January 2021 are: Italy (21.5 %), Turkey (59.3 %) and Greece (4.2 %). While, countries with which had a decrease of exports are: China (6.8 %), Switzerland (54.7 %), Russia (23.0 %) and Kosovo (3.5 %).

Fig.4 ForeignTrade in Goods by several EU countries January 2022



Trade with the EU countries is 61.9 % of total trade. In January 2022, exports to EU countries occuped 75.7 % of total export and imports from EU countries occuped 53.1 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (33.3 %), Turkey (8.2 %), Germany (7.8 %) and Greece (6.5 %).

# 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	-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		
2021		369	35.6	801	32.3	-432	46.1		
2018	01 - 18	24	24.5	45	27.5	-21	52.5		
2019	01 - 19	22	-7.3	42	-6.2	-20	51.9		
2020	01 - 20	23	5.3	42	-0.4	-19	54.9		
2021	01 - 21	24	3.1	45	8.4	-22	52.3		
2022	01 - 22	35	47.5	55	21.1	-20	63.6		

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

	Expo	orts	Imports			
	January 2021	January 2022	January 2021	January 2022		
EU countries	19,238	26,501	24,556	29,221		
Austria	131	295	394	462		
Germany	1,087	3,724	3,128	3,298		
Greece	1,119	1,844	3,809	3,969		
Italy	11,902	16,425	11,118	13,509		
Spain	2,415	790	476	661		
Croatia	290	306	277	341		
Others of EU	2,294	3,117	5,353	6,980		
United Kingdom	49	106	263	374		
China	704	739	4,888	4,555		
Kosovo	1,344	2,740	539	520		
North Macedonia	413	1,445	555	602		
Russia		2	698	537		
USA	467	440	771	792		
Turkey	575	373	4,383	6,982		
Ukraine	20	24	153	929		
Switzerland	21	113	1,490	675		
Others	906	2,524	7,125	9,828		
Total	23,736	35,006	45,420	55,015		

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

Group of goods	E	xports	Imports		
	January 2021	January 2022	January 2021	January 2022	
Total	23,736	35,006	45,420	55,015	
Food. beverages. tobacco	2,596	3,333	7,126	9,084	
Minerals. fuels. electricity	3,574	9,367	5,963	8,217	
Chemical and plastical products	621	1,280	6,004	6,139	
Leather and leather manuf.	143	207	701	1,049	
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	618	868	1,457	2,340	
Textile and footwear	9,299	10,059	5,883	6,507	
Construct. materials and metals	4,250	6,569	6,056	9,595	
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	2,009	2,590	10,534	10,332	
Others	626	733	1,696	1,751	

		Italy		Kosovo		Germany		Greece	
Group of goods	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	
Total	11,902	16,425	1,344	2,740	1,087	3,724	1,119	1,844	
Food. beverages. tobacco	823	965	235	273	129	162	304	324	
Minerals. fuels. electricity	169	2,196	186	966	165	2,441	38	443	
Chemical and plastical products	177	303	125	337	2	3	53	64	
Leather and leather manuf.	130	191	0	1	4	0	1	3	
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	399	546	55	54	22	17	74	143	
Textile and footwear	7,400	7,783	12	6	543	686	482	452	
Construct. materials and metals	1,477	2,692	528	916	35	251	132	369	
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	959	1,333	134	116	172	142	9	9	
Others	368	417	69	71	16	23	26	38	

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

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

	lta	Italy		Turkey		China		Greece	
Group of goods	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	
Total	11,118	13,509	4,383	6,982	4,888	4,555	3,809	3,969	
Food. beverages. tobacco	1,387	1,704	407	393	88	114	996	1,173	
Minerals. fuels. electricity	763	1,366	83	185	0	0	883	720	
Chemical and plastical products	1,485	1,323	393	697	574	448	457	410	
Leather and leather manuf.	588	865	21	28	29	49	3	2	
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	320	435	225	384	98	84	212	290	
Textile and footwear	2,706	3,251	1,248	1,171	801	791	255	265	
Construct. materials and metals	1,314	1,850	1,185	3,262	514	433	704	793	
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	2,292	2,346	607	647	2,314	2,229	171	217	
Others	263	370	214	215	469	406	128	99	

# 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.

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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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