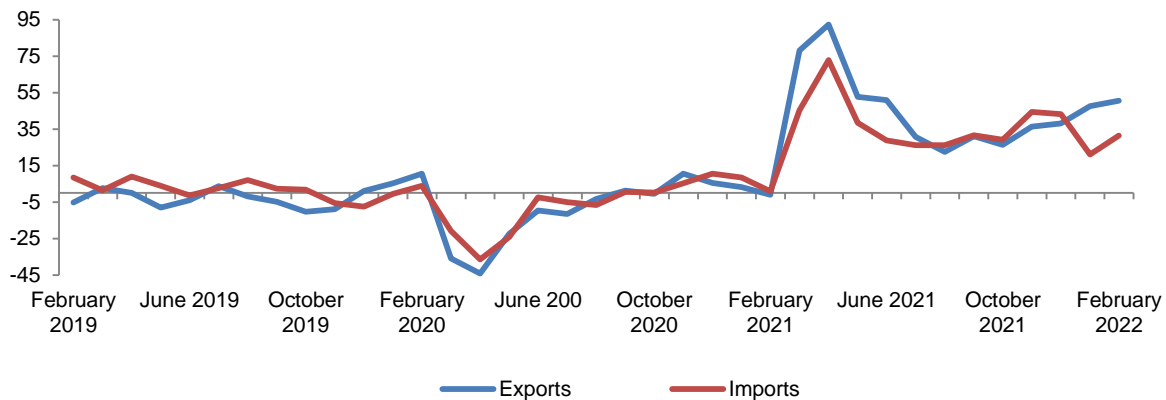


Foreign Trade in Goods

February 2022

Tirana, March 17, 2022: On February 2022 the value of exports was ALL 37 billion, increasing by 50.5 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 6.5 % compared with January 2022. The value of imports was ALL 69 billion, increasing by 31.5 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 24.9 % compared with January 2022. This month the trade deficit is ALL 31 billion, increasing by 14.3 % compared with February 2021 and by 57.0 % compared with January 2022.

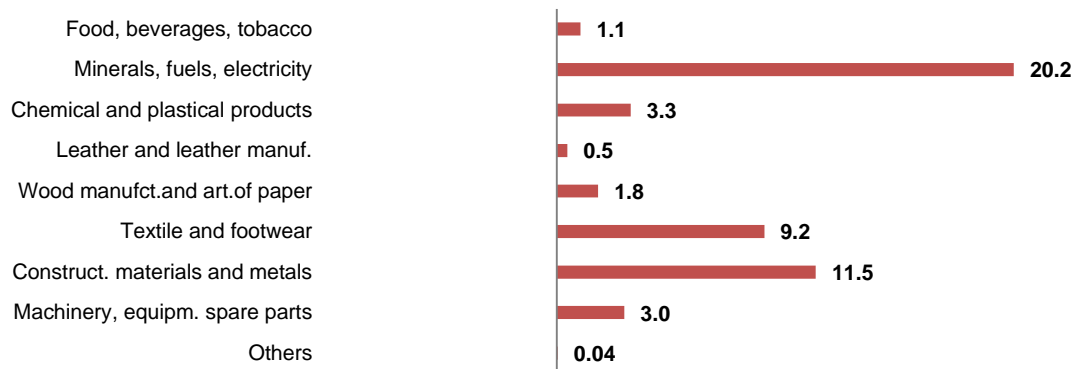
Fig.1 Annual change in Foreign Trade (%)



In the first two months of 2022, the value of exports was ALL 72 billion, increasing by 49.0 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was ALL 124 billion, increasing by 26.7 % compared with previous year. Trade deficit was ALL 51 billion, increasing by 4.6 % compared with the same period of 2021.

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

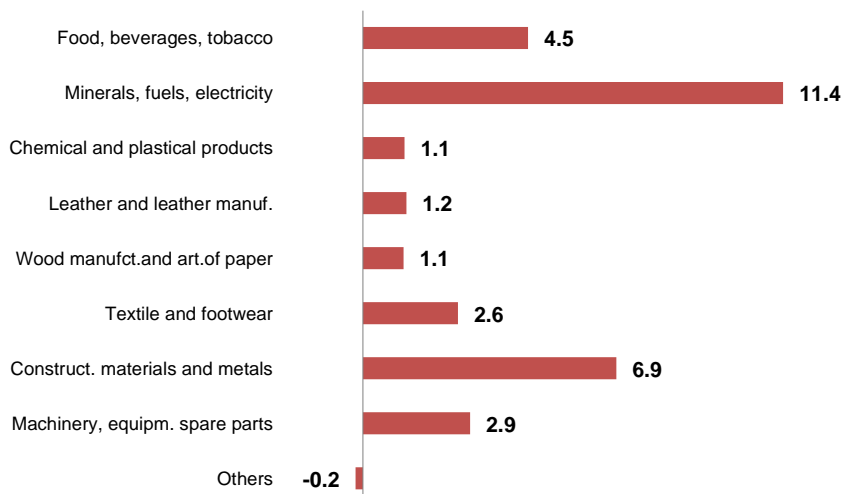
In annual increase of exports by 50.5 % this month, a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Mineral, fuels, electricity" with +20.2 percentage point, "Construction materials and metals" with +11.5 percentage point, and "Textile and footwear" with +9.2 percentage point.

Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports February 2022

Exports during the first two months of 2022 are increased by 49.0 % compared with the same period of previous year. The main groups that influenced more in annual increase of exports are: “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +22.3 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals” with +10.6 percentage point, and “Textile and footwear” with +6.3 percentage point.

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

In annual increase of imports by 31.5 %, this month has mainly affected the groups: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with +11.4 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals” with +6.9 percentage point and “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +4.5 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the group: “Others” with -0.2 percentage point.

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

In the first two months of 2022, imports are increased by 26.7 % compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected positively in annual increase of imports, are: “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +8.4 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals” with +7.3 percentage point and “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +4.4 percentage point.

The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

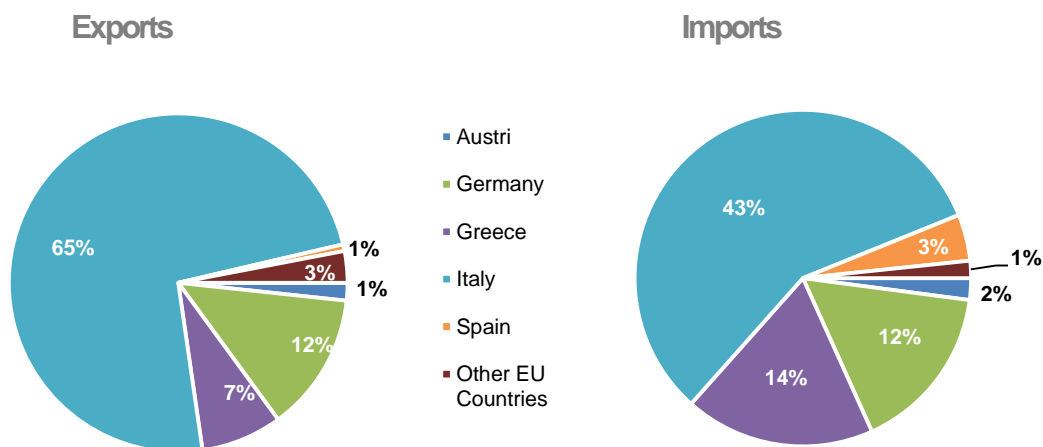
In February 2022, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to February 2021 are: Italy (57.5 %), Kosovo (57.9 %) and Germany (3.3 times) While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: USA (12.0 %), Turkey (41.9 %) and Spain (90.0 %).

In the first two months of 2022, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to the same period of 2021 are: Italy (47.4 %), Germany (3.3 times) and Kosovo (75.6 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: Spain (76.0 %), USA (8.7 %) and Turkey (38.1 %).

In February 2022, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to February 2021 are: Italy (21.0 %), Turkey (46.3 %) and Greece (26.4 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: USA (39.9 %) and Ukraine (13.3 %).

In the first two months of 2022, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to the same period of 2021 are: Italy (21.2 %), Turkey (52.1 %) and China (3.8 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: USA (25.6 %) and Switzerland (33.2 %).

Fig.4 Foreign Trade in Goods by several EU countries February 2022



Trade with the EU countries is 59.2 % of total trade. In February 2022, exports to EU countries occupied 73.0 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 52.5 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (29.2 %), Greece (8.3 %) Turkey (6.5 %), and China (6.4 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first nine months of 2022 is 60.5 % 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 55.0 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (30.2 %), Turkey (7.8 %), Greece (7.1 %) and Germany (6.7 %).

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
2021		272	-9.0	605	-6.8	-333	44.9
2019	01 – 19	22	-7.3	42	-6.2	-20	51.9
	02 – 19	23	-5.3	50	8.5	-27	45.4
	January – February 19	44	-6.3	92	1.3	-47	48.4
2020	01 – 20	23	5.3	42	-0.4	-19	54.9
	02 - 20	25	10.6	52	3.9	-27	48.3
	January – February 20	48	8.0	94	1.9	-46	51.3
2021	01 - 21	24	3.1	45	8.4	-22	52.3
	02 - 21	25	-0.9	52	0.9	-27	47.4
	January – February 21	49	1.0	98	4.3	-49	49.7
2022	01 - 22	35	47.5	55	21.1	-20	63.6
	02 - 22	37	50.5	69	31.5	-31	54.3
	January – February 22	72	49.0	124	26.7	-51	58.4

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

	Exports				Imports			
	Feb 2021	Feb 2022	Jan, - Feb 2021	Jan, - Feb 2022	Feb 2021	Feb 2022	Jan, - Feb 2021	Jan, - Feb 2022
Vendet e BE-së	18,224	27,108	37,462	53,609	30,662	38,161	55,218	67,382
Austri	164	402	295	697	409	603	804	1,065
Gjermani	973	3,161	2,060	6,885	4,243	4,685	7,371	7,984
Greqi	1,369	1,849	2,488	3,693	4,191	5,299	8,000	9,268
Itali	11,143	17,548	23,045	33,973	13,708	16,590	24,826	30,099
Spanjë	1,502	150	3,917	940	698	1,291	1,174	1,952
Kroaci	236	719	526	1,025	305	482	582	823
Të tjera të BE-së	2,837	3,279	5,131	6,395	7,108	9,212	12,461	16,192
Mbretëri e Bashkuar	26	96	75	202	389	644	651	1,017
Kinë	778	1,068	1,482	1,806	4,235	4,911	9,123	9,466
Kosovë	2,141	3,380	3,485	6,120	619	1,437	1,159	1,957
Maqedonia e Veriut	496	2,236	909	3,680	754	1,266	1,310	1,868
Rusi	-	-	-	2	684	1,714	1,382	2,251
SHBA	425	374	892	814	1,516	911	2,287	1,702
Turqi	452	263	1,027	635	5,336	7,805	9,719	14,787
Ukrainë	50	56	69	80	380	329	532	1,258
Zvicër	213	510	234	623	627	739	2,117	1,414
Të tjera	1,967	2,201	2,873	4,725	7,044	10,782	14,169	20,609
Gjithsej	24,772	37,291	48,508	72,297	52,247	68,697	97,667	123,712

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

Group of goods	Exports				Imports			
	February 2021	February 2022	Jan.-February 2021	Jan.-February 2022	February 2021	February 2022	Jan.-February 2021	Jan.-February 2022
Total	24,772	37,291	48,508	72,297	52,247	68,697	97,667	123,712
Food. beverages. tobacco	2,720	2,982	5,316	6,314	8,586	10,931	15,713	20,014
Minerals. fuels. electricity	4,654	9,663	8,228	19,030	3,901	9,857	9,864	18,074
Chemical and plastical products	700	1,510	1,320	2,790	8,595	9,188	14,599	15,327
Leather and leather manuf.	148	266	290	473	860	1,479	1,561	2,529
Wood manufact.and art. of paper	660	1,114	1,277	1,982	1,796	2,375	3,253	4,715
Textile and footwear	8,369	10,644	17,668	20,703	6,076	7,425	11,959	13,932
Construct. materials and metals	4,650	7,487	8,899	14,056	7,256	10,849	13,311	20,443
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	2,017	2,758	4,026	5,348	12,480	13,999	23,013	24,331
Others	856	867	1,483	1,599	2,698	2,595	4,393	4,346

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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		Greece	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Total	23,045	33,973	3,485	6,120	2,060	6,885	2,488	3,693
Food. beverages. tobacco	1,602	1,799	472	576	300	327	579	607
Minerals. fuels. electricity	240	4,658	909	1,667	174	4,316	369	854
Chemical and plastical products	341	662	357	723	7	6	109	136
Leather and leather manuf.	258	447	1	3	9	0	2	3
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	842	1,133	112	285	39	52	157	296
Textile and footwear	14,139	16,115	26	22	1,028	1,374	900	908
Construct. materials and metals	2,927	5,510	1,210	2,421	92	400	273	785
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	1,943	2,807	211	236	350	345	28	15
Others	752	841	188	188	61	64	71	88

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

Group of goods	Italy		Turkey		China		Greece	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Total	24,826	30,099	9,719	14,787	9,123	9,466	8,000	9,268
Food. beverages. tobacco	3,100	3,973	850	842	141	213	2,244	2,554
Minerals. fuels. electricity	1,787	1,938	177	499	0	1	1,594	1,837
Chemical and plastical products	3,204	3,359	1,187	1,593	1,017	921	1,118	1,186
Leather and leather manuf.	1,263	2,092	45	79	83	102	6	3
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	819	1,005	495	733	159	132	464	628
Textile and footwear	5,579	7,027	2,362	2,594	1,620	1,539	465	629
Construct. materials and metals	3,194	3,875	2,346	6,296	944	870	1,404	1,720
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	5,141	5,852	1,405	1,468	4,223	4,864	392	491
Others	740	977	852	685	936	824	313	219

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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