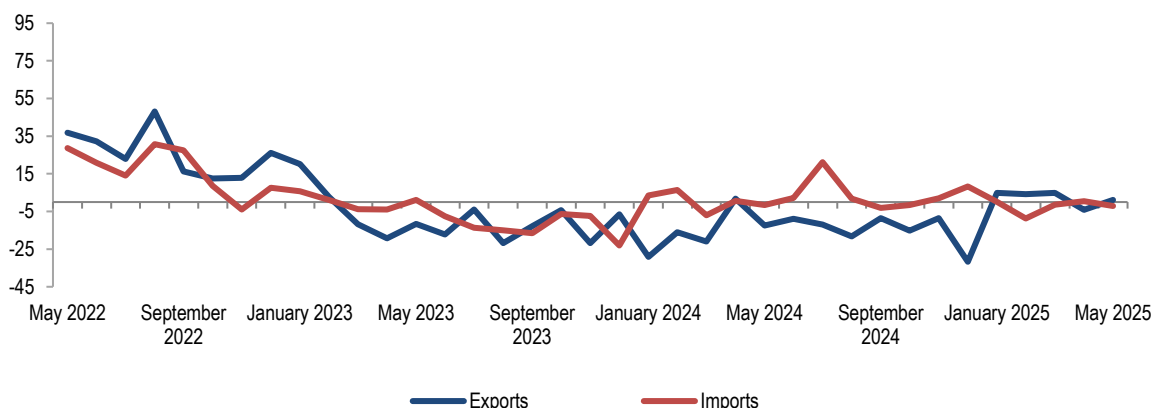


Foreign Trade in Goods

May 2025

Tirana, June 17, 2025: In May 2025 the value of exports was ALL 35 billion, increasing by 1.2 %, compared with the same period of the previous year and by 6 %, compared with April 2025. The value of imports was ALL 78 billion, decreasing by 2.1 %, compared with the same period of the previous year and increasing by 2.6 %, compared with April 2025. This month the trade deficit is ALL 42 billion, decreasing by 4,6 %, compared with May 2024 and by 0.05 %, compared with April 2025.

Fig.1 Annual change in Foring Trade (%)



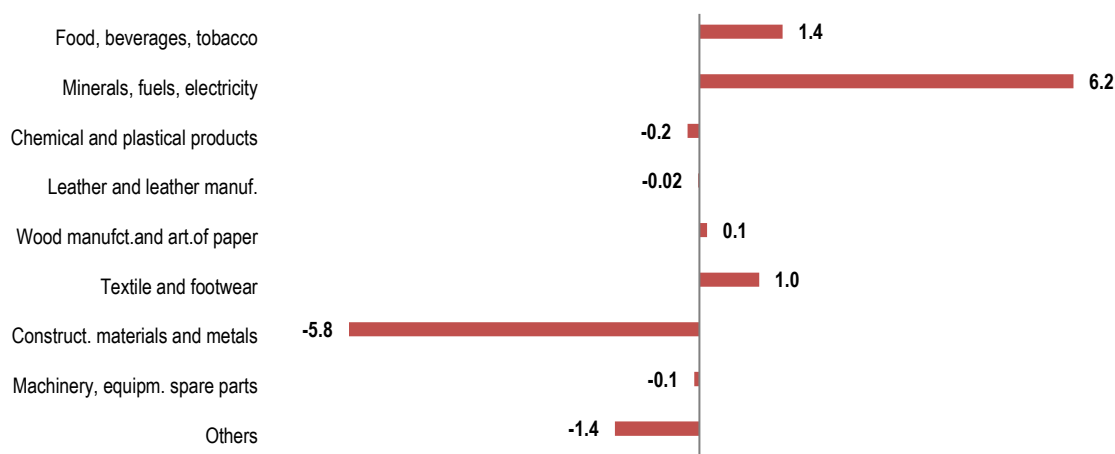
In these five months, the value of exports was ALL 168 billion, increasing by 2.1 %, compared with the previous year and the value of imports was ALL 355 billion, decreasing by 2.4 %, compared with the previous year. The trade deficit was ALL 187 billion, decreasing by 6.1 %, compared with the same period of 2024.

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

In the annual increase of exports by 1.2 % this month, a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Mineral, fuels, electricity" with +6.2 percentage points, "Food, beverages, tobacco" with +1.4 percentage points, "Textile and footwear" with +1.0 percentage points, etc. While a negative contribution was given by the group: "Constructions materials and metals" with -5.8 percentage points.

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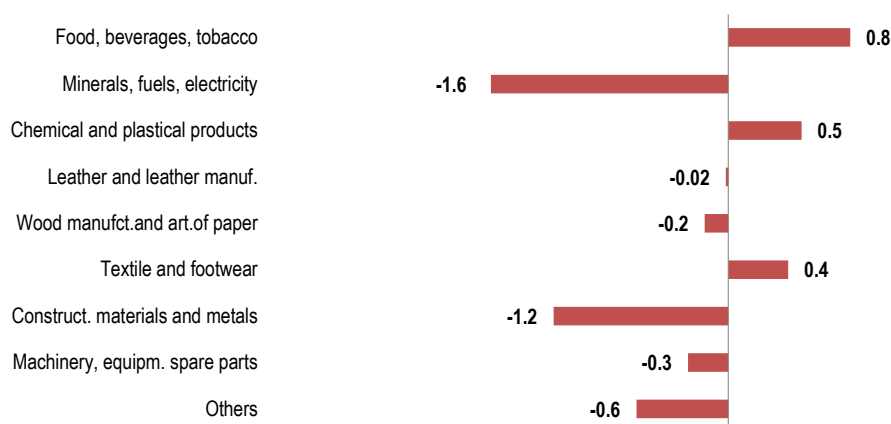
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Fig. 2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports, May 2025

Exports during these five months have increased by 2.1 %, compared with the same period of the previous year. The main groups that influenced more in annual increase of the exports are: “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +8.3 percentage points, “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +0.8 percentage points, etc. While a negative contribution was given by the groups: “Constructions materials and metals” with -6.0 percentage points, “Chemical and plastic products” with -0.7 percentage points, etc.

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

In annual decrease of imports by 2.1 %, this month has mainly affected the groups: “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with -1.6 percentage points, “Constructions materials and metals” with -1.2 percentage points. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +0.8 percentage points, “Chemical and plastic products” with +0.5 percentage points and “Textile and footwear” with +0.4 percentage points.

Fig. 3 Contribution of groups in annual change of imports, May 2025

In these five months, imports have decreased by 2.4 %, compared with the same period of the previous year. The groups affected negatively in the annual decrease of imports, are: “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with -2.7 percentage points, “Constructions materials and metals” with -0.8 percentage points. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +0.7 percentage points, “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +0.4 percentage points and “Chemical and plastic products” with +0.3 percentage points.

The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

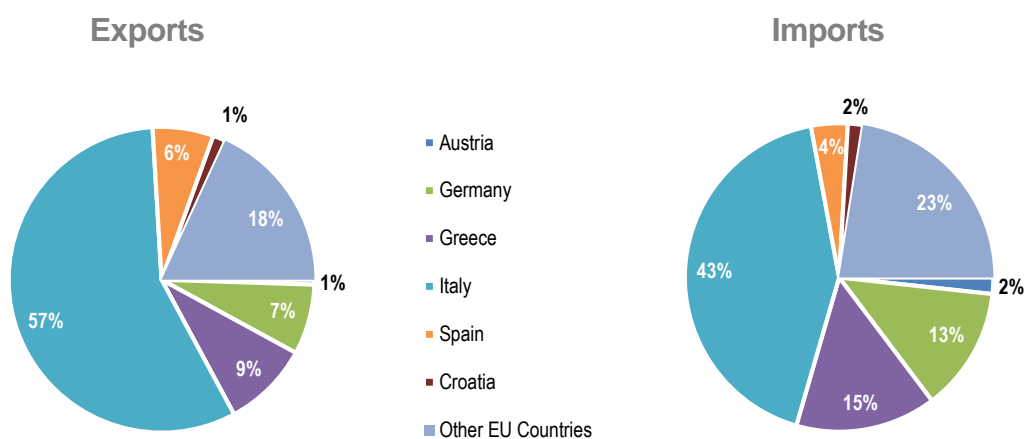
In May 2025, countries with which Albania had the highest increase of exports, compared to May 2024 are: Kosovo (51.5 %), Spain (33.7 %), Tukiye (53.2 %), etc. While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Italy (8.0 %), Greece (3.1 %), and Germany (4.3 %).

In these five months of 2025, countries with which Albania had an increase of exports, compared to the same period of 2024 are: Kosovo (74.1 %), Greece (6.6 %) and Germany (4.5 %). While countries with which has had a decrease are: Italy (11.6 %), North Macedonia (31.0 %), etc.

In May 2025, countries with which Albania had the highest decrease of imports, are: Italy (3.6 %), and Turkiye (7.5 %). While, countries with which had an increase of imports are: China (25.1 %), Greece (1.2 %) and Germany (4.0 %), etc.

In these five months of 2025, countries with which Albania had the highest decrease of imports, compared to the same period of 2024 are: Italy (1.8 %), Turkiye (19.3 %), and Germany (6.4 %). While, countries with which had an increase of imports are: China (24.0 %), Greece (2.6 %) and Spain (8.7 %).

Fig. 4 Foreign Trade in Goods by several EU countries May 2025



Trade with the EU countries is 56.9 % of total trade. In April 2025, exports to EU countries occupied 66.4 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 52.6 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (27.2 %), China (8.4 %), Greece (7.3 %) and Turkiye (7.1 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in these five months of 2025 is 57.2 % of total trade. In this period, the share of exports to EU countries was 67.2 % of total export and share of imports from EU countries was 52.5 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (27.2 %), China (8.6 %), and Greece (7.7 %) and Turkiye (7.4 %).

Tab. 1 Flow of goods (billion ALL)

Years	Months	Exports	Annual Change (%)	Imports	Annual Change (%)	Trade balance (mld lekë)	Coverage (%)
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
2022		487	32,0	950	18,7	-464	51,2
2023		440	-9,5	873	-8,2	-432	50,5
2024		373	-15,4	894	2,5	-522	41,7
2023	01 - 23	42	20,2	58	5,8	-16	72,3
	02 - 23	38	2,8	69	1,1	-31	55,2
	03 - 23	42	-11,7	81	-3,7	-38	52,3
	04 - 23	34	-19,2	75	-3,9	-41	45,4
	05 - 23	40	-11,7	81	1,2	-41	49,2
	06 - 23	38	-17,3	75	-7,5	-37	50,7
	07 - 23	38	-4,0	71	-13,6	-33	53,7
	08 - 23	27	-21,9	68	-15,0	-40	40,6
	09 - 23	34	-12,8	73	-16,6	-40	45,8
	10 - 23	37	-4,3	78	-6,3	-42	46,8
	11 - 23	33	-21,8	72	-7,4	-39	46,0
	12 - 23	38	-6,6	73	-23,1	-35	51,7
	Jan-Dec 23	440	-9,5	873	-8,2	-432	50,5
2024	01 - 24	30	-29,2	60	3,4	-30	49,5
	02 - 24	32	-16,1	74	6,4	-42	43,5
	03 - 24	33	-21,0	75	-7,0	-42	44,4
	04 - 24	35	1,8	75	0,6	-41	45,9
	05 - 24	35	-12,4	79	-1,6	-45	43,8
	06 - 24	35	-8,9	77	2,1	-42	45,3
	07 - 24	33	-12,0	85	21,1	-52	39,0
	08 - 24	22	-18,2	69	1,9	-46	32,6
	09 - 24	31	-8,5	71	-3,1	-40	43,3
	10 - 24	31	-15,2	77	-1,5	-46	40,3
	11 - 24	30	-8,5	73	2,0	-43	41,2
	12 - 24	26	-31,7	79	8,3	-53	32,6
	Jan-Dec 24	373	-15,4	894	2,5	-522	41,7
2025	01 - 25	31	4,9	60	0,1	-29	51,8
	02 - 25	34	4,3	68	-8,6	-34	49,7
	03 - 25	35	4,9	74	-1,4	-39	47,3
	04 - 25	33	-4,1	76	0,4	-43	43,8
	05 - 25	35	1,2	78	-2,1	-42	45,3
	Jan-May 25	168	2,1	355	-2,4	-187	47,3

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

	Exports				Imports			
	May 2024	May 2025	Jan.-May 2024	Jan.-May 2025	May 2024	May 2025	Jan.-May 2024	Jan.-May 2025
EU countries	23,684	23,362	118,547	112,878	41,653	40,855	189,912	186,257
Austria	211	120	1,124	721	719	701	3,099	3,050
Germany	1,814	1,736	9,265	9,680	5,108	5,312	26,308	24,612
Greece	2,215	2,147	10,066	10,729	5,959	6,032	28,592	29,345
Italy	14,451	13,300	73,341	64,854	18,053	17,396	78,959	77,531
Spain	1,126	1,506	5,540	7,804	1,330	1,570	5,538	6,019
Croatia	419	316	2,135	1,040	314	647	1,342	2,552
Others of EU	3,447	4,240	17,076	18,050	10,170	9,197	46,073	43,148
United Kingdom	119	103	648	526	981	940	4,124	3,647
China	1,349	578	4,410	3,572	7,069	8,842	33,434	41,448
Kosovo	3,855	5,840	16,495	28,724	1,152	908	4,831	4,720
North Macedonia	1,365	929	6,371	4,393	1,146	1,198	4,936	5,238
Russia	-	-	5	6	231	391	1,362	1,571
USA	278	423	1,815	1,831	1,085	1,235	8,807	7,323
Turkey	285	437	1,819	2,196	8,183	7,567	44,932	36,271
Ukraine	542	0	710	296	372	282	1,859	1,705
Switzerland	230	132	943	499	474	422	2,934	3,650
Others	3,044	3,352	12,771	13,060	16,958	15,008	66,427	63,057
Total	34,752	35,159	164,536	167,980	79,306	77,649	363,557	354,887

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

Grup of goods	Exports				Imports			
	May 2024	May 2025	Jan.-May 2024	Jan.-May 2025	May 2024	May 2025	Jan.-May 2024	Jan.-May 2025
Total	34,752	35,159	164,536	167,980	79,306	77,649	363,557	354,887
Food. beverages. tobacco	5,441	5,920	22,681	23,959	13,528	14,171	60,870	62,435
Minerals. fuels. electricity	6,582	8,733	32,377	46,035	7,504	6,254	34,375	36,762
Chemical and plastic products	1,276	1,207	6,436	5,363	9,860	10,246	48,194	49,362
Leather and leather manuf.	154	147	981	822	1,151	1,138	5,291	4,970
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	826	870	4,195	4,228	2,734	2,610	12,075	11,793
Textile and footwear	9,379	9,723	46,152	45,440	7,600	7,916	35,268	35,402
Construct. materials and metals	6,230	4,214	30,820	20,875	11,524	10,603	52,034	49,060
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	3,421	3,391	15,945	16,508	21,507	21,295	99,305	89,380
Others	1,441	955	4,950	4,752	3,898	3,414	16,145	15,723

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

Group of goods	Italy		Kosovo		Greece		Germany	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
Total	73,341	64,854	16,495	28,724	10,066	10,729	9,265	9,680
Food. beverages. tobacco	6,176	5,527	2,472	2,671	1,755	1,998	647	687
Minerals. fuels. electricity	6,243	2,339	3,704	21,403	1,165	1,272	2,935	2,179
Chemical and plastic products	2,457	1,804	1,646	1,244	404	334	16	28
Leather and leather manuf.	813	677	3	11	124	76	1	-
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	2,264	2,362	475	443	660	669	54	45
Textile and footwear	34,875	33,107	72	40	3,487	3,923	3,957	4,585
Construct. materials and metals	9,742	8,940	6,619	1,249	1,995	1,872	261	426
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	8,451	7,709	952	1,203	116	110	1,227	1,491
Others	2,322	2,388	551	461	360	475	167	240

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

Group of goods	Italy		Turkiye		China		Greece	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
Total	78,959	77,531	44,932	36,271	33,434	41,448	28,592	29,345
Food. beverages. tobacco	12,250	13,399	2,385	2,269	735	826	7,929	8,431
Minerals. fuels. electricity	1,791	3,032	6,412	3,209	6	8	4,241	4,545
Chemical and plastic products	9,782	9,766	4,906	4,939	2,714	3,448	4,908	5,287
Leather and leather manuf.	4,162	3,870	149	196	361	366	107	60
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	2,508	2,513	2,031	1,777	647	793	1,665	1,694
Textile and footwear	15,586	15,256	4,728	4,057	5,291	5,557	2,781	2,945
Construct. materials and metals	9,662	9,271	12,466	12,745	4,777	6,621	4,128	3,568
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	18,928	16,429	10,035	5,290	15,894	20,235	1,764	1,924
Others	4,290	3,996	1,821	1,789	3,010	3,595	1,070	890

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 cos, 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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