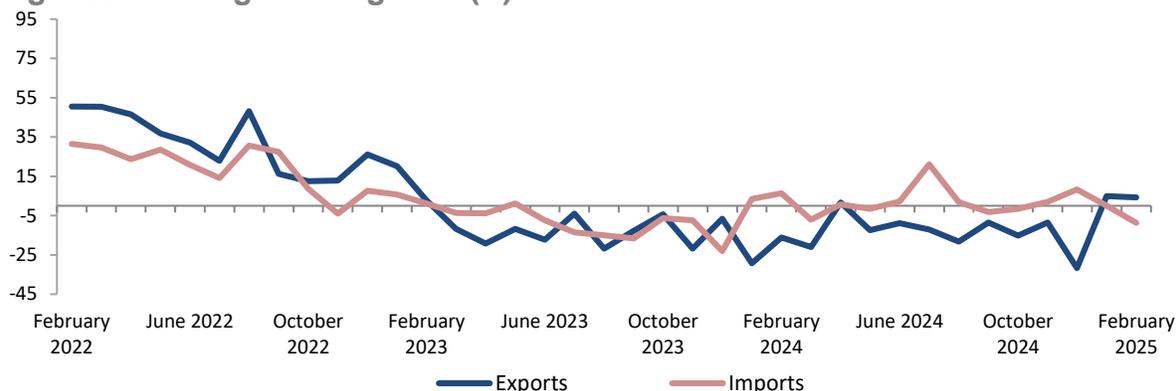


Foreign Trade in Goods

February 2025

Tirana, March 17, 2025: On February 2025 the value of exports was ALL 34 billion, increasing by 4.3 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 7.3 % compared with January 2025. The value of imports was ALL 68 billion, decreasing by 8.6 % compared with the same period of previous year and increasing by 12 % compared with January 2025. This month the trade deficit is ALL 34 billion, decreasing by 18.6 % compared with February 2024 and increasing by 17.1 % compared with January 2025.

Fig.1 Annual change in Foring Trade (%)



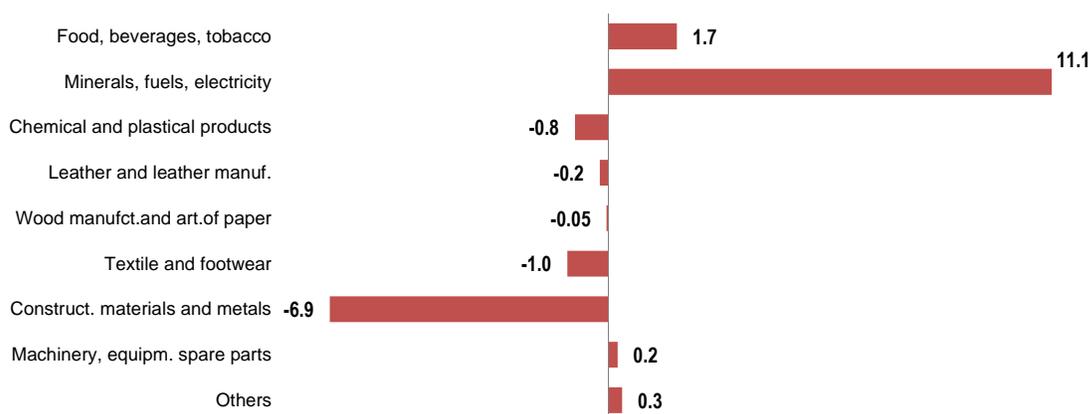
In the first two months of 2025, the value of exports was ALL 65 billion, decreasing by 4.6 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was ALL 128 billion, decreasing by 4.7 % compared with previous year. Trade deficit was ALL 63 billion, decreasing by 12.7 % compared with the same period of 2024.

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

In annual increase of exports by 4.3 % this month, a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Mineral, fuels, electricity" with +11.1 percentage point, "Food, beverages, tobacco" with +1.7 percentage point, "Machinery, equipment and spare parts" with +0.2 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the groups: "Constructions materials and metals" with -6.9 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with -1.0 percentage point and "Chemical and plastic products" with -0.8 percentage point, etc.

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Fig.2 Contribution of groups in annual change of exports February 2025

Exports during the two months of 2025 are increased by 4.6 % compared with the same period of previous year. The main groups that influenced more in annual increase of exports are: “Mineral, fuels, electricity” with +12.0 percentage point, “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +1.1 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the groups: “Constructions materials and metals” with -6.3 percentage point, “Textile and footwear” with -1.7 percentage point, and “Chemical and plastic products” with -1 percentage point.

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

In annual decrease of imports by 8.6 %, this month has mainly affected the groups: “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with -9.6 percentage point, “Wood manufct. and art. of paper” with -0.4 percentage point, “Leather and leather manuf.” with -0.2 percentage point. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: “Minerals. fuels. Electricity” with +2.0 percentage point, “Constructions materials and metals” with +0.3 percentage point, and “Textile and footwear” with +0.1 percentage point

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

In the first two months of 2025, imports are increased by 4.7 % compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected positively in annual increase of imports, are: “Minerals, fuels, electricity” with +1.9 percentage point, “Food, beverages, tobacco” with +0.7 percentage point and “Chemical and plastic products” with +0.4 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the groups: “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with -5.6 percentage point, “Constructions materials and metals” with -1.3 percentage point and “Wood manufct.and art. of paper” with -0.3 percentage point.

The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

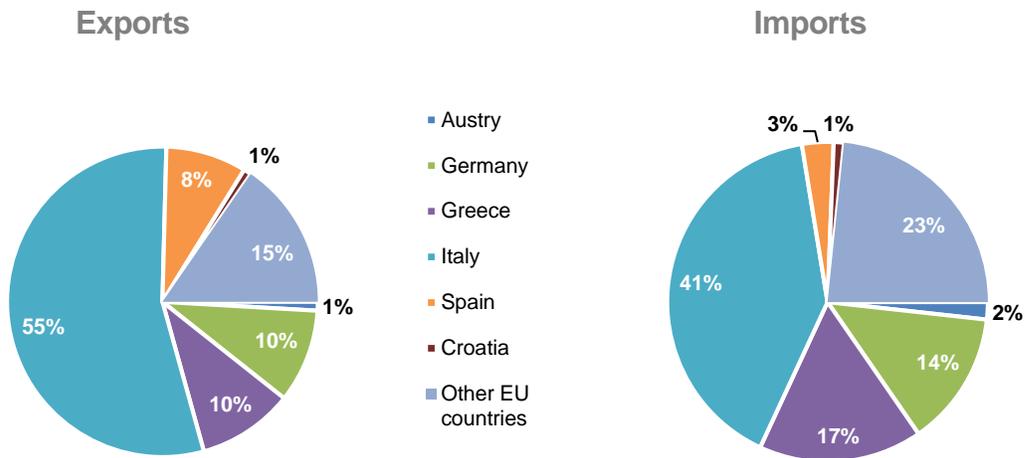
In February 2025, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to February 2024 are: Kosovo (63.7 %), Greece (10.2 %), Germany (7.5%), etc. While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Italy (14.1 %), North Macedonia (22.6 %), and Austria (0.4%).

In the first two months of 2025, countries with which Albania has had an increase of exports, compared to the same period of 2024 are: Kosovo (76.8 %), Germany (3 %) and Greece (6.3 %). While countries with which has had a decrease are: Italy (15,9 %), North Macedonia (11,0 %), etc.

In February 2025, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to February 2024 are: China (16.6 %), Greece (10 %), Spain (46.3 %), etc. While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: Italy (2.5 %), Turkey (41.2 %), Germany (12.1 %), etc.

In the first two months of 2025, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to the same period of 2024 are: Italy (1.2 %), China (31.1 %) and Greece (6.3 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: Turkey (30.4 %), Germany (7.8 %) and USA (37.1 %).

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



Trade with the EU countries is 58.9 % of total trade. In February 2025, exports to EU countries occupied 68.1 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 54.4 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (27.1 %), Greece (8.3 %), Turkiye (8 %) and China (7.5 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first two months of 2025 is 58.0 % of total trade. In this period, the share of exports to EU countries was 68.1 % of total export and share of imports from EU countries was 52.8 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (27.1 %), China (8.6 %), and Greece (8 %).

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
	Jan-Feb 25	65	4,6	128	-4,7	-63	50,7

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

	Exports				Imports			
	February 2024	February 2025	Jan.-Feb. 2024	Jan.-Feb. 2025	February 2024	February 2025	Jan.-Feb. 2024	Jan.-Feb. 2025
EU countries	23,782	22,829	46,960	44,138	37,447	36,701	66,862	67,496
Austria	210	209	462	416	748	641	1,288	1,072
Germany	2,072	2,227	4,074	4,197	5,698	5,006	10,015	9,235
Greece	2,077	2,289	3,940	4,190	5,513	6,065	10,539	11,198
Italy	14,533	12,490	29,086	24,459	15,252	14,871	27,418	27,758
Spain	1,091	1,920	2,064	3,731	798	1,168	1,604	2,024
Croatia	380	183	979	302	306	378	495	780
Others of EU	3,420	3,510	6,355	6,842	9,132	8,573	15,502	15,429
United Kingdom	139	93	242	203	726	661	1,211	1,178
China	650	799	930	1,282	5,792	6,752	11,715	15,362
Kosovo	3,259	5,337	6,138	10,851	948	802	1,660	1,686
North Macedonia	1,223	947	1,969	1,753	941	1,019	1,717	1,779
Russia	-	6	-	6	320	139	393	498
USA	362	366	749	653	1,459	1,441	4,311	2,710
Turkey	281	718	812	1,021	12,484	7,342	18,781	13,065
Ukraine	104	226	114	261	288	273	876	792
Switzerland	169	122	247	159	730	995	1,091	1,464
Others	2,189	2,089	3,792	4,457	12,769	11,391	25,484	21,759
Total	32,159	33,532	61,952	64,783	73,904	67,516	134,100	127,789

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

Grup-mallrat	Eksporte				Importe			
	February 2024	February 2025	Jan. - Feb 2024	Jan. - Feb 2025	February 2024	February 2025	Jan. - Feb 2024	Jan. - Feb 2025
Total	32,159	33,532	61,952	64,783	73,904	67,516	134,100	127,789
Food. beverages. tobacco	3,794	4,343	7,414	8,114	11,277	11,282	21,193	22,194
Minerals. fuels. electricity	5,998	9,553	11,646	19,063	6,411	7,886	12,768	15,251
Chemical and plastical products	1,279	1,012	2,437	1,829	10,442	10,420	17,607	18,180
Leather and leather manuf.	230	160	406	286	1,083	915	1,864	1,609
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	830	814	1,617	1,567	2,601	2,302	4,314	3,955
Textile and footwear	9,353	9,024	18,596	17,571	6,678	6,724	12,487	12,570
Construct. materials and metals	6,549	4,314	12,032	8,137	9,155	9,379	19,907	18,171
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	3,294	3,368	6,185	6,343	22,908	15,826	38,211	30,664
Others	833	945	1,619	1,873	3,349	2,781	5,747	5,195

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	29,086	24,459	6,138	10,851	3,940	4,190	4,074	4,197
Food. beverages. tobacco	2,521	2,294	750	860	693	794	300	324
Minerals. fuels. electricity	2,008	516	1,795	8,522	492	755	1,511	1,068
Chemical and plastical products	1,052	661	520	364	138	122	3	7
Leather and leather manuf.	348	241	1	9	44	18	0	0
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	906	878	208	163	247	243	22	18
Textile and footwear	13,961	12,775	32	10	1,434	1,372	1,629	1,932
Construct. materials and metals	4,069	3,349	2,388	421	725	701	114	153
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	3,331	2,847	237	348	36	39	437	602
Others	891	899	207	155	131	146	59	94

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

Group of goods	Italy		Turkey		China		Greece	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
Total	27,418	27,758	18,781	13,065	11,715	15,362	10,539	11,198
Food. beverages. tobacco	4,400	5,002	864	813	341	326	2,793	2,771
Minerals. fuels. electricity	230	2,106	1,601	952	3	5	1,717	2,662
Chemical and plastical products	3,566	3,320	1,896	1,779	982	1,335	2,021	1,956
Leather and leather manuf.	1,457	1,235	51	51	141	146	42	21
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	874	947	722	704	243	262	552	560
Textile and footwear	5,369	5,314	1,703	1,432	2,018	2,094	1,049	1,069
Construct. materials and metals	3,368	3,168	4,565	5,170	1,503	3,148	1,388	1,296
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	6,729	5,436	6,730	1,515	5,388	6,823	513	615
Others	1,425	1,230	650	650	1,095	1,223	464	249

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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