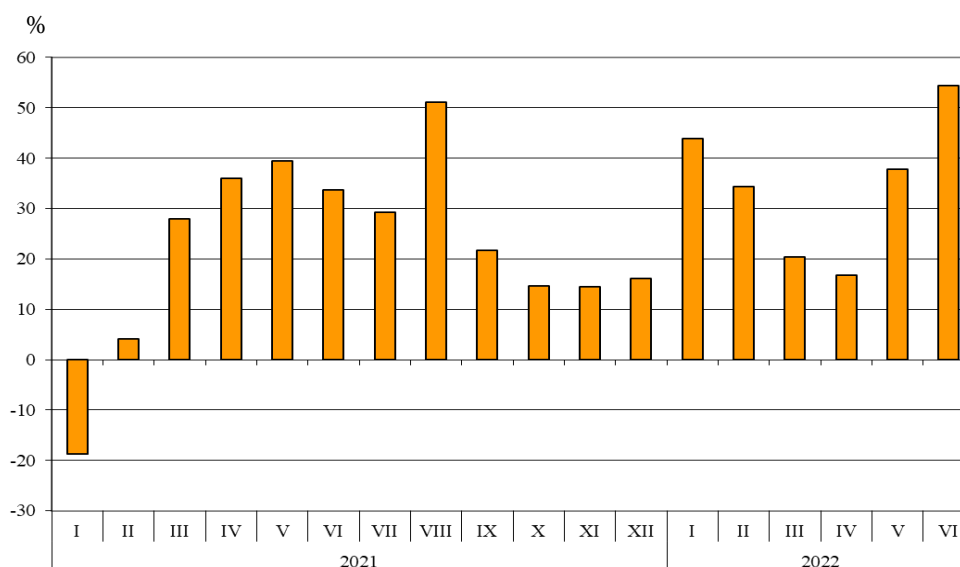


TRADE IN GOODS OF BULGARIA WITH THIRD COUNTRIES IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - JUNE 2022 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period January - June 2022, the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries increased by 33.9% in comparison with the same period of 2021 and added up to 14 697.3 million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The main trade partners of Bulgaria were Turkey, Serbia, the United States, the Republic of North Macedonia, the United Kingdom, China and Ukraine, which accounted for 50.6% of the exports to non-EU countries (Annex, Table 3).

In June 2022, the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries increased by 54.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 2 999.3 million BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value¹ change of exports of goods from Bulgaria to non-EU countries
in the period 2021 - 2022
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



In the period January - June 2022, in the exports of goods from Bulgaria to third countries, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the most notable growth compared to the same period of 2021 was recorded in the sections ‘Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials’ (214.5%) and ‘Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes’ (67.6%) (Annex, Table 4). Fall was reported in the section ‘Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material’² (13.9%).

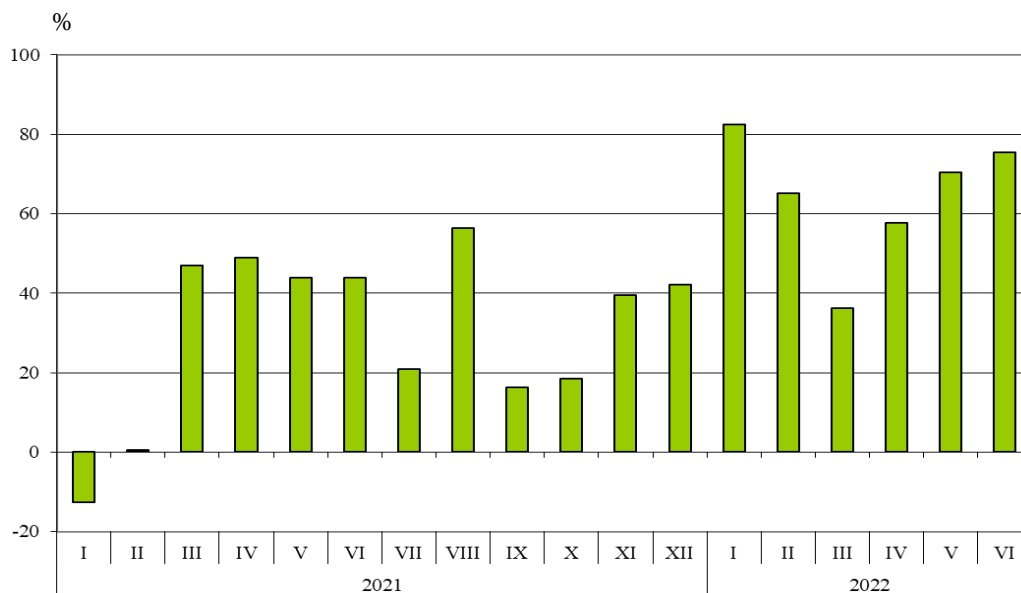
¹ Value changes at current prices.

² The section includes the following divisions: leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s., and dressed furskins; rubber manufactures, n.e.s.; cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture); paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard; textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products; non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.; iron and steel; non-ferrous metals.

Imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries in the period January - June 2022 increased by 63.6% in comparison with the same period of 2021 and added up to 23 118.9 million BGN (at CIF prices)¹ (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from the Russian Federation, Turkey, China and Ukraine (Annex, Table 3).

In **June 2022**, the imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries increased by 75.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 4 718.6 million BGN.

Figure 2. Nominal value² change of imports of goods to Bulgaria from non-EU countries in the period 2021 - 2022 (Compared to the same month of the previous year)



In the period **January - June 2022**, in the imports of goods to Bulgaria from third countries, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the largest growth compared to the same period of 2021 was recorded in the sections ‘Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes’ (293.9%) and ‘Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials’ (150.0%) (Annex, Table 4).

The foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (exports FOB - imports CIF) with third countries in the period **January - June 2022** was negative and added up to 8 421.6 million BGN (Annex, Table 1).

In **June 2022**, the foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (exports FOB - imports CIF) with third countries was also negative and amounted to 1 719.3 million BGN.

¹ Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB (<http://bnb.bg/Statistics/StExternalSector/StForeignTrade/StFTImports/index.htm?toLang= EN>).

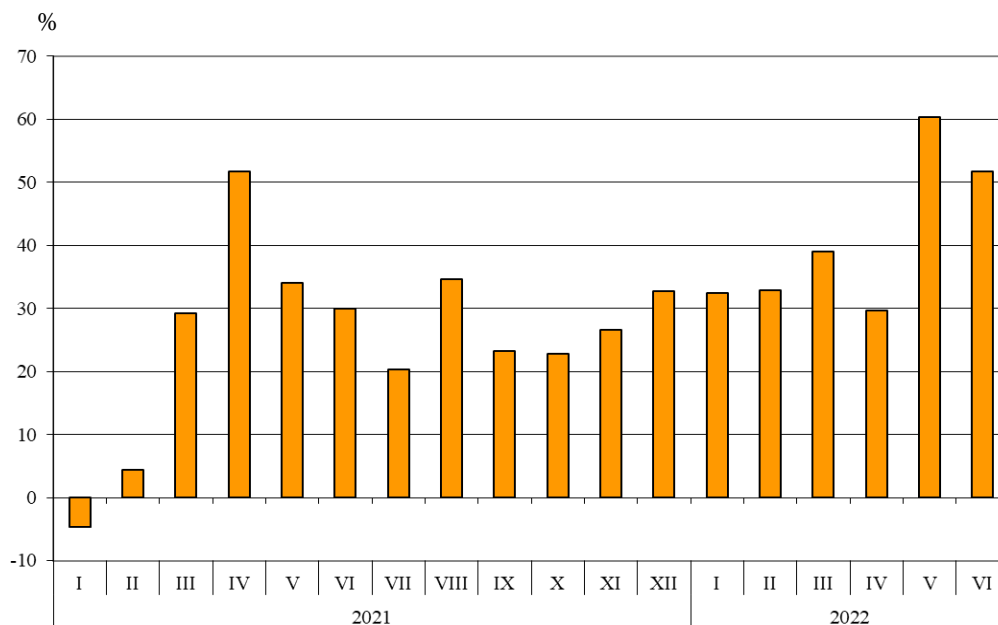
² Value changes at current prices.

Trade in goods of Bulgaria with third countries and the EU – total

In the period **January - June 2022**, the total value of **all the goods exported** from Bulgaria amounted to 45 748.5 million BGN, which is 41.0% more than the same period of 2021 (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

In **June 2022**, the **total exports** of goods added up to 8 700.4 million BGN and increased by 51.8% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

**Figure 3. Nominal value¹ change of exports of goods from Bulgaria in the period 2021 - 2022
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**

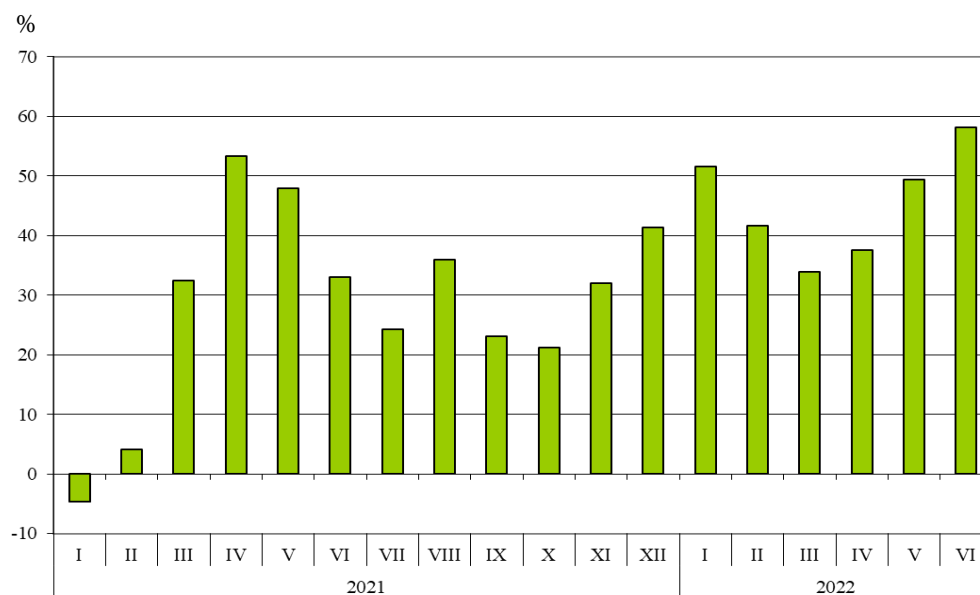


The total value of **all the goods imported** into the country in the period **January - June 2022** amounted to 51 896.7 million BGN (at CIF prices), or 45.2% more than in the same period of 2021 (Annex, Tables 1 and 2).

In **June 2022**, the **total imports** of goods increased by 58.2% compared to the same month of the previous year and added up to 10 186.8 million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.

**Figure 4. Nominal value¹ change of imports of goods to Bulgaria in the period 2021 - 2022
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



The total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - imports CIF) was negative in **the period January - June 2022** and amounted to 6 148.2 million BGN (Annex, Table 1).

In **June 2022**, the total foreign trade balance (exports FOB - imports CIF) was also negative and added up to 1 486.4 million BGN.

¹ Value changes at current prices.



Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period
January - June 2021¹ and 2022¹ by months

(Million BGN)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU
I.2021	4761.1	3310.9	1450.2	5050.6	3129.9	1920.7	-289.5	181.0	-470.5
II.2021	5062.8	3318.9	1743.9	5434.8	3436.0	1998.8	-372.0	-117.1	-254.9
III.2021	5823.2	3746.7	2076.5	6689.9	3999.0	2690.9	-866.7	-252.3	-614.4
I - III.2021	15647.1	10376.5	5270.6	17175.3	10564.9	6610.4	-1528.2	-188.4	-1339.8
IV.2021	5903.5	3937.2	1966.3	6080.1	3601.5	2478.6	-176.6	335.7	-512.3
V.2021	5152.0	3357.6	1794.4	6043.9	3687.1	2356.8	-891.9	-329.5	-562.4
VI.2021	5732.8	3791.0	1941.8	6441.1	3752.7	2688.4	-708.3	38.3	-746.6
IV - VI.2021	16788.3	11085.8	5702.5	18565.1	11041.3	7523.8	-1776.8	44.5	-1821.3
I - VI.2021	32435.4	21462.3	10973.1	35740.4	21606.2	14134.2	-3305.0	-143.9	-3161.1
I.2022	6306.0	4220.1	2085.9	7656.1	4150.8	3505.3	-1350.1	69.3	-1419.4
II.2022	6729.1	4384.8	2344.3	7700.3	4398.4	3301.9	-971.2	-13.6	-957.6
III.2022	8097.5	5598.9	2498.6	8960.1	5292.8	3667.3	-862.6	306.1	-1168.7
I - III.2022	21132.6	14203.8	6928.8	24316.5	13842.0	10474.5	-3183.9	361.8	-3545.7
IV.2022	7654.0	5358.1	2295.9	8364.5	4454.0	3910.5	-710.5	904.1	-1614.6
V.2022	8261.5	5788.2	2473.3	9028.9	5013.6	4015.3	-767.4	774.6	-1542.0
VI.2022	8700.4	5701.1	2999.3	10186.8	5468.2	4718.6	-1486.4	232.9	-1719.3
IV - VI.2022	24615.9	16847.4	7768.5	27580.2	14935.8	12644.4	-2964.3	1911.6	-4875.9
I - VI.2022	45748.5	31051.2	14697.3	51896.7	28777.8	23118.9	-6148.2	2273.4	-8421.6

¹ Data are preliminary as of August 10, 2022.

² Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB

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Table 2

**Value changes of exports and imports of Bulgaria in the period
January - June 2022¹ compared to the same period of the previous
year**

(Per cent)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF		
	Total	EU	Non-EU	Total	EU	Non-EU
I	32.4	27.5	43.8	51.6	32.6	82.5
II	32.9	32.1	34.4	41.7	28.0	65.2
III	39.1	49.4	20.3	33.9	32.4	36.3
I - III	35.1	36.9	31.5	41.6	31.0	58.5
IV	29.7	36.1	16.8	37.6	23.7	57.8
V	60.4	72.4	37.8	49.4	36.0	70.4
VI	51.8	50.4	54.5	58.2	45.7	75.5
IV - VI	46.6	52.0	36.2	48.6	35.3	68.1
I - VI	41.0	44.7	33.9	45.2	33.2	63.6

¹ Data are preliminary as of August 10, 2022.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with main non-EU partner countries¹ in the period
January - June 2021² and 2022²

Countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2021	2022	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2021	2022	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2021	2022
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries -total	10973.1	14697.3	33.9	14134.2	23118.9	63.6	-3161.1	-8421.6
of which:								
Albania	98.5	128.7	30.7	37.0	48.1	30.0	61.5	80.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	90.1	100.2	11.2	24.4	23.3	-4.5	65.7	76.9
Brazil	42.6	143.8	237.6	215.7	207.5	-3.8	-173.1	-63.7
Canada	63.3	82.0	29.5	203.9	116.7	-42.8	-140.6	-34.7
Chile	15.0	16.1	7.3	393.1	176.5	-55.1	-378.1	-160.4
China	1132.2	649.4	-42.6	1837.6	2908.6	58.3	-705.4	-2259.2
Egypt	275.5	485.3	76.2	250.0	207.0	-17.2	25.5	278.3
Georgia	136.8	254.9	86.3	348.1	524.9	50.8	-211.3	-270.0
Gibraltar	183.0	499.2	172.8	0.0	0.3	x	183.0	498.9
India	128.1	204.4	59.6	179.1	279.0	55.8	-51.0	-74.6
Indonesia	53.5	23.7	-55.7	29.3	200.6	584.6	24.2	-176.9
Iran, Islamic Republic of	84.2	132.5	57.4	41.2	88.4	114.6	43.0	44.1
Israel	150.9	381.8	153.0	222.9	56.0	-74.9	-72.0	325.8
Japan	52.1	67.1	28.8	195.0	210.6	8.0	-142.9	-143.5
Kazakhstan	29.3	29.4	0.3	2.6	11.3	334.6	26.7	18.1
Korea, Republic of	101.0	100.4	-0.6	124.6	194.6	56.2	-23.6	-94.2
Libya	163.2	218.1	33.6	2.9	13.4	362.1	160.3	204.7
Morocco	113.8	88.7	-22.1	94.4	29.6	-68.6	19.4	59.1
Namibia	108.8	112.5	3.4	0.0	0.0	x	108.8	112.5
Norway	52.1	54.7	5.0	29.9	33.5	12.0	22.2	21.2
Peru	4.3	12.1	181.4	437.4	330.6	-24.4	-433.1	-318.5
Republic of North Macedonia	464.3	744.6	60.4	327.0	451.5	38.1	137.3	293.1
Russian Federation	389.9	387.4	-0.6	2431.2	6015.5	147.4	-2041.3	-5628.1
Serbia	609.1	1093.0	79.4	666.8	873.6	31.0	-57.7	219.4
Singapore	38.5	23.5	-39.0	43.1	54.4	26.2	-4.6	-30.9
South Africa	36.7	239.2	551.8	52.9	43.2	-18.3	-16.2	196.0
Switzerland	226.8	276.2	21.8	273.2	294.5	7.8	-46.4	-18.3
Syrian Arab Republic	3.7	2.3	-37.8	3.7	3.9	5.4	0.0	-1.6
Taiwan	33.9	33.9	0.0	145.7	242.0	66.1	-111.8	-208.1
Tunisia	217.8	259.3	19.1	17.7	58.7	231.6	200.1	200.6
Turkey	2170.3	2740.3	26.3	2606.7	4560.3	74.9	-436.4	-1820.0
Ukraine	339.2	636.7	87.7	713.1	1495.5	109.7	-373.9	-858.8
United Arab Emirates	75.9	106.9	40.8	38.4	40.0	4.2	37.5	66.9
United Kingdom ³	613.7	738.2	20.3	281.1	355.6	26.5	332.6	382.6
United States	764.3	833.2	9.0	237.7	497.3	109.2	526.6	335.9
Viet Nam	50.9	38.3	-24.8	89.6	148.0	65.2	-38.7	-109.7

¹ Partner country:

- In case of exports (or dispatches) is the country (or Member State) of final destination of the goods.

- In case of imports (or arrivals) is the country (or Member State) of consignment of the goods.

² Data are preliminary as of August 10, 2022.

³ The United Kingdom includes: Northern Ireland; Great Britain; Channel Islands and Isle of Man.

'x' - not applicable.

'0' - less than half of unit employed.



Table 4

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria with non EU countries by sections of SITC, rev.4 in the period January - June 2021¹ and 2022¹

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2021	2022	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2021	2022	Change compared to the same period of the previous year - %	2021	2022
	Million BGN			Million BGN			Million BGN	
Third countries - total	10973.1	14697.3	33.9	14134.2	23118.9	63.6	-3161.1	-8421.6
Food and live animals	1299.8	2144.0	64.9	642.9	848.0	31.9	656.9	1296.0
Beverages and tobacco	93.5	108.3	15.8	143.8	153.9	7.0	-50.3	-45.6
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1064.1	1107.9	4.1	2941.8	3775.4	28.3	-1877.7	-2667.5
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1004.8	3160.3	214.5	2552.0	6381.0	150.0	-1547.2	-3220.7
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	208.3	349.1	67.6	86.9	342.3	293.9	121.4	6.8
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	1356.6	1797.7	32.5	1334.2	2088.2	56.5	22.4	-290.5
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2694.6	2320.5	-13.9	2724.9	4290.5	57.5	-30.3	-1970.0
Machinery and transport equipment	1854.2	2221.1	19.8	2650.0	3941.2	48.7	-795.8	-1720.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1355.5	1472.5	8.6	1023.8	1289.8	26.0	331.7	182.7
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	41.7	15.9	-61.9	33.9	8.6	-74.6	7.8	7.3

¹ Data are preliminary as of August 10, 2022.