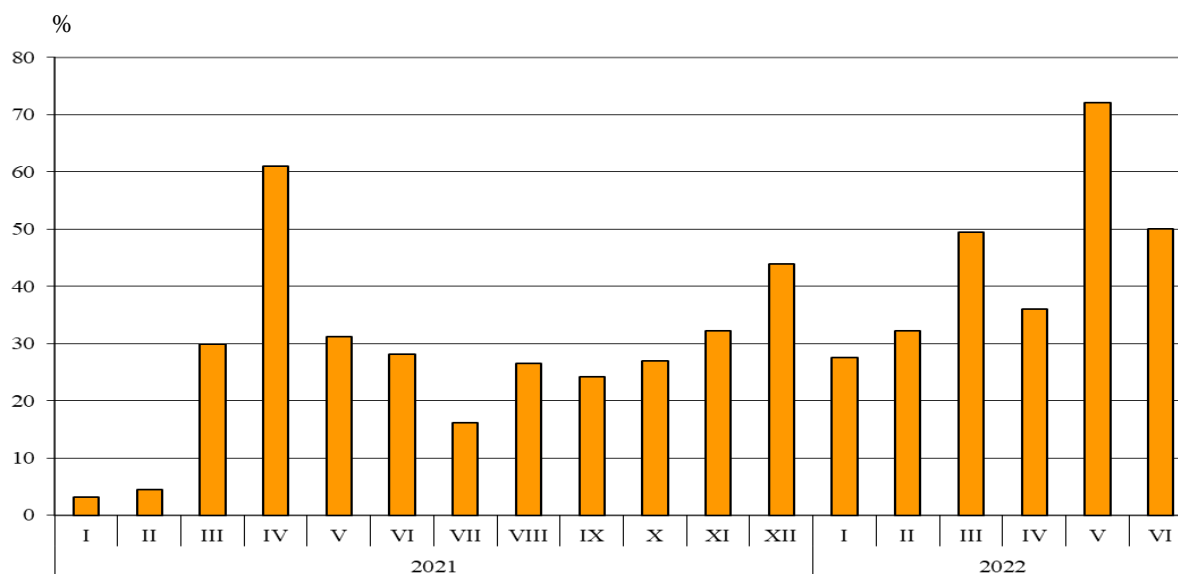


**TRADE IN GOODS OF BULGARIA WITH EU IN THE PERIOD  
JANUARY - JUNE 2022  
(PRELIMINARY DATA)**

In the period **January - June 2022**, the exports of goods from Bulgaria to the EU increased by 44.6% in comparison with the same period of 2021 and added up to 31 034.6 million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Romania, Italy, Greece, France and Spain, which accounted for 68.3% of the exports to the EU Member States (Annex, Table 3).

In **June 2022**, the exports to the EU grew by 50.1% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 5 689.6 million BGN.

**Figure 1. Nominal value<sup>1</sup> change of exports of goods from Bulgaria to EU in the period 2021 - 2022  
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



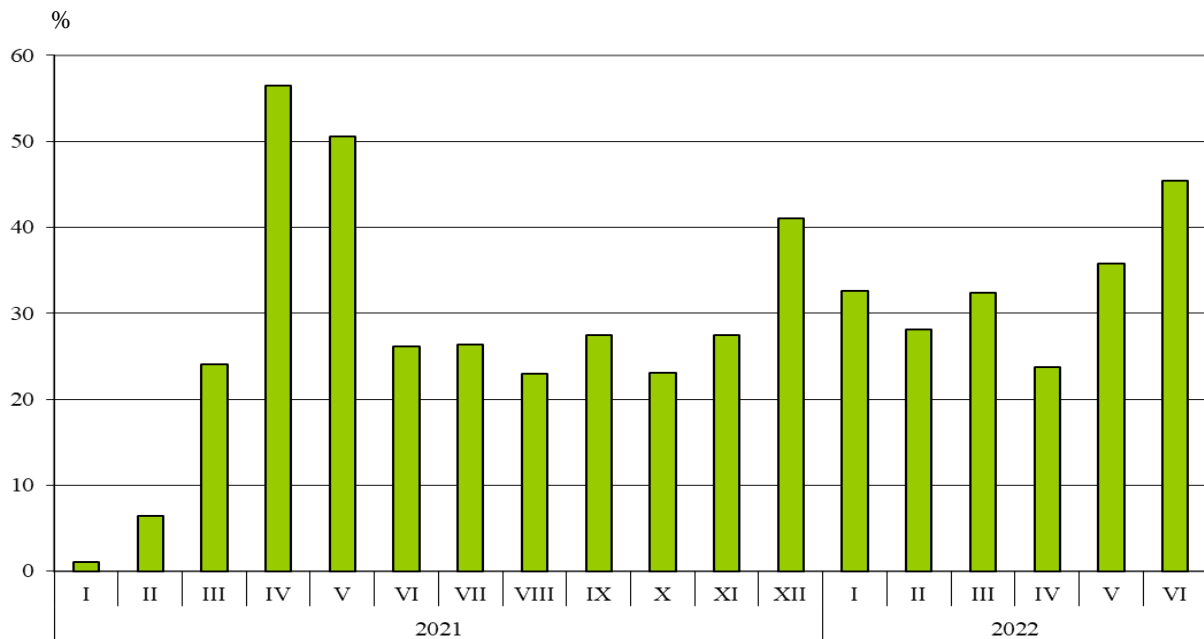
In the period **January - June 2022**, in the exports of goods from Bulgaria to the EU, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the most notable growth compared to the same period of 2021 was recorded in sections ‘Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials’ (291.3%) and ‘Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes’ (188.2%) (Annex, Table 4). Fall was reported in the section ‘Beverages and tobacco’ (17.5%).

<sup>1</sup> Value changes at current prices.

**Imports of goods to Bulgaria from the EU in the period January - June 2022** increased by 33.1% in comparison with the same period of 2021 and added up to 28 758.2 million BGN (at CIF prices)<sup>1</sup> (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). The largest amounts were reported for the goods imported from Germany, Romania, Italy, Greece and the Netherlands (Annex, Table 3).

In **June 2022**, Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States grew by 45.5% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 5 457.6 million BGN.

**Figure 2. Nominal value<sup>2</sup> change of imports of goods to Bulgaria from the EU 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 the EU Member States, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the largest growth compared to the same period of 2021 was recorded in the section ‘Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes’ (208.6%).

The **foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with the EU in the period January - June 2022** was positive and added up to 2 276.4 million BGN (Annex, Table 1).

<sup>1</sup> Imports at FOB prices are calculated by BNB

(<http://bnb.bg/Statistics/StExternalSector/StForeignTrade/StFTImports/index.htm?toLang= EN>).

<sup>2</sup> Value changes at current prices.



Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period  
January - June 2021 and 2022<sup>1</sup> by months

(Million BGN)

Months/Periods	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF <sup>2</sup>			Trade balance - FOB/CIF		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2021	4761.6	3310.9	1450.7	5050.2	3129.4	1920.8	-288.6	181.5	-470.1
II.2021	5057.2	3317.9	1739.3	5432.4	3433.6	1998.8	-375.2	-115.7	-259.5
III.2021	5824.0	3746.3	2077.7	6689.0	3998.0	2691.0	-865.0	-251.7	-613.3
<b>I - III.2021</b>	<b>15642.8</b>	<b>10375.1</b>	<b>5267.7</b>	<b>17171.6</b>	<b>10561.0</b>	<b>6610.6</b>	<b>-1528.8</b>	<b>-185.9</b>	<b>-1342.9</b>
IV.2021	5905.3	3937.1	1968.2	6078.1	3599.7	2478.4	-172.8	337.4	-510.2
V.2021	5155.3	3357.6	1797.7	6043.0	3686.5	2356.5	-887.7	-328.9	-558.8
VI.2021	5734.5	3790.9	1943.6	6440.2	3751.9	2688.3	-705.7	39.0	-744.7
<b>IV - VI.2021</b>	<b>16795.1</b>	<b>11085.6</b>	<b>5709.5</b>	<b>18561.3</b>	<b>11038.1</b>	<b>7523.2</b>	<b>-1766.2</b>	<b>47.5</b>	<b>-1813.7</b>
<b>I - VI.2021</b>	<b>32437.9</b>	<b>21460.7</b>	<b>10977.2</b>	<b>35732.9</b>	<b>21599.1</b>	<b>14133.8</b>	<b>-3295.0</b>	<b>-138.4</b>	<b>-3156.6</b>
I.2022	6334.3	4223.8	2110.5	7661.3	4150.9	3510.4	-1327.0	72.9	-1399.9
II.2022	6774.7	4387.8	2386.9	7702.4	4399.3	3303.1	-927.7	-11.5	-916.2
III.2022	8185.3	5598.5	2586.8	8977.3	5292.8	3684.5	-792.0	305.7	-1097.7
<b>I - III.2022</b>	<b>21294.3</b>	<b>14210.1</b>	<b>7084.2</b>	<b>24341.0</b>	<b>13843.0</b>	<b>10498.0</b>	<b>-3046.7</b>	<b>367.1</b>	<b>-3413.8</b>
IV.2022	7762.7	5355.0	2407.7	8363.3	4454.0	3909.3	-600.6	901.0	-1501.6
V.2022	8438.4	5779.9	2658.5	9017.4	5003.6	4013.8	-579.0	776.3	-1355.3
VI.2022	8726.8	5689.6	3037.2	10177.4	5457.6	4719.8	-1450.6	232.0	-1682.6
<b>IV - VI.2022</b>	<b>24927.9</b>	<b>16824.5</b>	<b>8103.4</b>	<b>27558.1</b>	<b>14915.2</b>	<b>12642.9</b>	<b>-2630.2</b>	<b>1909.3</b>	<b>-4539.5</b>
<b>I - VI.2022</b>	<b>46222.2</b>	<b>31034.6</b>	<b>15187.6</b>	<b>51899.1</b>	<b>28758.2</b>	<b>23140.9</b>	<b>-5676.9</b>	<b>2276.4</b>	<b>-7953.3</b>

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of September 14, 2022.

<sup>2</sup> 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 2022<sup>1</sup> 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	33.0	27.6	45.5	51.7	32.6	82.8
II	34.0	32.2	37.2	41.8	28.1	65.3
III	40.5	49.4	24.5	34.2	32.4	36.9
<b>I - III</b>	<b>36.1</b>	<b>37.0</b>	<b>34.5</b>	<b>41.8</b>	<b>31.1</b>	<b>58.8</b>
IV	31.5	36.0	22.3	37.6	23.7	57.7
V	63.7	72.1	47.9	49.2	35.7	70.3
VI	52.2	50.1	56.3	58.0	45.5	75.6
<b>IV - VI</b>	<b>48.4</b>	<b>51.8</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>48.5</b>	<b>35.1</b>	<b>68.1</b>
<b>I - VI</b>	<b>42.5</b>	<b>44.6</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>45.2</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>63.7</b>

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of September 14, 2022.



**Table 3**  
**Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries<sup>1</sup>**  
**of Bulgaria in the period January - June 2021 and 2022<sup>2</sup>**

Countries and groups of 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	
<b>Total</b>	<b>32437.9</b>	<b>46222.2</b>	<b>42.5</b>	<b>35732.9</b>	<b>51899.1</b>	<b>45.2</b>	<b>-3295.0</b>	<b>-5676.9</b>
<b>EU</b>	<b>21460.7</b>	<b>31034.6</b>	<b>44.6</b>	<b>21599.1</b>	<b>28758.2</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>-138.4</b>	<b>2276.4</b>
Austria	640.7	874.1	36.4	886.7	1116.9	26.0	-246.0	-242.8
Belgium	1143.7	869.4	-24.0	699.6	948.8	35.6	444.1	-79.4
Croatia	311.0	452.7	45.6	252.9	137.0	-45.8	58.1	315.7
Cyprus	127.5	200.8	57.5	40.2	43.4	8.0	87.3	157.4
Czechia	729.6	850.7	16.6	957.3	1139.2	19.0	-227.7	-288.5
Denmark	245.5	450.7	83.6	161.6	202.1	25.1	83.9	248.6
Estonia	29.9	54.5	82.3	50.5	40.9	-19.0	-20.6	13.6
Finland	73.2	104.7	43.0	74.4	101.7	36.7	-1.2	3.0
France	1196.6	1628.8	36.1	996.4	1182.2	18.6	200.2	446.6
Germany	5175.9	6837.1	32.1	4450.2	5412.3	21.6	725.7	1424.8
Greece	2090.6	3100.3	48.3	1769.7	3061.5	73.0	320.9	38.8
Hungary	577.1	848.5	47.0	1406.6	1673.0	18.9	-829.5	-824.5
Ireland	61.4	97.4	58.6	249.7	224.4	-10.1	-188.3	-127.0
Italy	2459.9	3704.8	50.6	2384.3	3072.4	28.9	75.6	632.4
Latvia	35.1	39.2	11.7	27.2	68.4	151.5	7.9	-29.2
Lithuania	80.0	103.4	29.3	82.4	112.7	36.8	-2.4	-9.3
Luxembourg	27.8	131.9	374.5	53.1	97.5	83.6	-25.3	34.4
Malta	24.7	16.7	-32.4	10.6	19.8	86.8	14.1	-3.1
Netherlands	812.9	1224.0	50.6	1434.1	2139.2	49.2	-621.2	-915.2
Poland	812.2	1067.6	31.4	1285.5	1692.4	31.7	-473.3	-624.8
Portugal	110.3	148.9	35.0	105.4	117.5	11.5	4.9	31.4
Romania	3037.0	4546.2	49.7	2499.7	3976.9	59.1	537.3	569.3
Slovakia	253.4	432.7	70.8	478.6	562.6	17.6	-225.2	-129.9
Slovenia	183.6	598.5	226.0	272.9	379.1	38.9	-89.3	219.4
Spain	853.2	1372.6	60.9	709.6	861.6	21.4	143.6	511.0
Sweden	267.1	329.9	23.5	214.0	306.0	43.0	53.1	23.9
Not specified	100.8	948.5	841.0	45.9	68.7	49.7	54.9	879.8

<sup>1</sup> Partner country:

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<sup>2</sup> Data are preliminary as of September 14, 2022.

Table 3

**Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries<sup>1</sup>  
of Bulgaria in the period January - June 2021 and 2022<sup>2</sup>**

(Continued)

Countries and groups of 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	
<b>Non EU countries</b>	<b>10977.2</b>	<b>15187.6</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>14133.8</b>	<b>23140.9</b>	<b>63.7</b>	<b>-3156.6</b>	<b>-7953.3</b>
<b>CIS<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>586.4</b>	<b>676.4</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>2582.3</b>	<b>6396.3</b>	<b>147.7</b>	<b>-1995.9</b>	<b>-5719.9</b>
of which:								
Kazakhstan	29.3	29.4	0.3	2.6	11.3	334.6	26.7	18.1
Russian Federation	389.9	395.6	1.5	2430.8	6012.1	147.3	-2040.9	-5616.5
<b>OECD<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>4352.6</b>	<b>5651.0</b>	<b>29.8</b>	<b>4857.4</b>	<b>6614.2</b>	<b>36.2</b>	<b>-504.8</b>	<b>-963.2</b>
of which:								
Canada	63.3	86.9	37.3	204.0	117.8	-42.3	-140.7	-30.9
Chile	15.0	17.2	14.7	393.1	172.5	-56.1	-378.1	-155.3
Israel	151.0	389.1	157.7	222.9	55.9	-74.9	-71.9	333.2
Japan	52.1	68.5	31.5	194.8	210.6	8.1	-142.7	-142.1
Korea, Republic of	102.7	108.1	5.3	124.6	194.6	56.2	-21.9	-86.5
Turkey	2169.5	2855.3	31.6	2606.7	4566.7	75.2	-437.2	-1711.4
United Kingdom <sup>5</sup>	614.0	749.8	22.1	281.1	355.5	26.5	332.9	394.3
United States	764.7	924.3	20.9	237.7	497.1	109.1	527.0	427.2
<b>EFTA<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>281.0</b>	<b>333.9</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>307.0</b>	<b>332.7</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>-26.0</b>	<b>1.2</b>
of which:								
Norway	52.1	54.8	5.2	29.9	33.5	12.0	22.2	21.3
Switzerland	226.8	274.6	21.1	273.2	294.6	7.8	-46.4	-20.0

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<sup>3</sup> CIS includes: Azerbaijan; Armenia; Belarus; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyzstan; Moldova, Republic of; Russian Federation; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan; Uzbekistan.

<sup>4</sup> OECD includes: Australia; Virgin Islands (US); United States; Iceland; Canada; Chile; Costa Rica; Mexico; New Zealand; Norway; Korea, Republic of; Turkey; United Kingdom; Switzerland; Japan; Israel.

<sup>5</sup> The United Kingdom includes: Northern Ireland; Great Britain; Channel Islands and Isle of Man.

<sup>6</sup> EFTA includes: Norway; Switzerland; Iceland and Liechtenstein.

Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries<sup>1</sup>  
of Bulgaria in the period January - June 2021 and 2022<sup>2</sup>

(Continued and end)

Countries and groups of 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	
<b>Countries not included in the upper groups</b>								
Albania	98.5	128.7	30.7	37.0	47.5	28.4	61.5	81.2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	90.1	100.3	11.3	24.4	23.3	-4.5	65.7	77.0
Brazil	42.6	151.4	255.4	215.7	211.0	-2.2	-173.1	-59.6
China	1134.8	658.1	-42.0	1837.6	2920.6	58.9	-702.8	-2262.5
Egypt	275.8	496.0	79.8	250.0	207.0	-17.2	25.8	289.0
Georgia	136.8	255.7	86.9	348.1	517.0	48.5	-211.3	-261.3
India	128.4	209.6	63.2	179.1	280.2	56.4	-50.7	-70.6
Indonesia	53.5	24.3	-54.6	29.2	200.6	587.0	24.3	-176.3
Iran, Islamic Republic of	84.2	134.2	59.4	41.2	88.4	114.6	43.0	45.8
Peru	4.3	12.9	200.0	437.4	331.5	-24.2	-433.1	-318.6
Republic of North Macedonia	459.6	764.2	66.3	327.0	448.5	37.2	132.6	315.7
Serbia	609.0	1106.1	81.6	666.8	873.3	31.0	-57.8	232.8
Singapore	38.5	23.8	-38.2	43.1	54.4	26.2	-4.6	-30.6
South Africa	36.7	243.3	562.9	52.8	43.2	-18.2	-16.1	200.1
Syrian Arab Republic	3.7	2.8	-24.3	3.7	3.9	5.4	0.0	-1.1
Taiwan	33.9	38.8	14.5	145.7	242.1	66.2	-111.8	-203.3
Tunisia	217.8	259.8	19.3	17.7	58.7	231.6	200.1	201.1
Ukraine	339.2	636.9	87.8	713.1	1495.7	109.7	-373.9	-858.8
United Arab Emirates	76.2	110.4	44.9	38.4	40.0	4.2	37.8	70.4
Viet Nam	50.9	43.6	-14.3	89.6	149.3	66.6	-38.7	-105.7

<sup>1</sup> Partner country:

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<sup>2</sup> Data are preliminary as of September 14, 2022.



Table 4

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by sections of SITC, rev. 4  
in the period January - June 2021 and 2022<sup>1</sup>

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	
<b>Total</b>	<b>32437.9</b>	<b>46222.2</b>	<b>42.5</b>	<b>35732.9</b>	<b>51899.1</b>	<b>45.2</b>	<b>-3295.0</b>	<b>-5676.9</b>
<b>of which: EU</b>	<b>21460.7</b>	<b>31034.6</b>	<b>44.6</b>	<b>21599.1</b>	<b>28758.2</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>-138.4</b>	<b>2276.4</b>
Food and live animals	3397.8	5093.6	49.9	2719.4	3443.7	26.6	678.4	1649.9
of which: EU	2097.3	2899.8	38.3	2072.9	2595.4	25.2	24.4	304.4
Beverages and tobacco	324.4	299.6	-7.6	590.6	694.0	17.5	-266.2	-394.4
of which: EU	230.9	190.4	-17.5	446.8	540.1	20.9	-215.9	-349.7
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	2579.0	2655.1	3.0	3740.4	4899.8	31.0	-1161.4	-2244.7
of which: EU	1511.9	1530.5	1.2	798.7	1120.6	40.3	713.2	409.9
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1551.8	5505.8	254.8	3562.9	8627.9	142.2	-2011.1	-3122.1
of which: EU	546.9	2139.9	291.3	1010.9	2245.9	122.2	-464.0	-106.0
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	686.6	1727.2	151.6	196.3	692.3	252.7	490.3	1034.9
of which: EU	478.2	1378.0	188.2	113.4	350.0	208.6	364.8	1028.0
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	3694.2	5478.6	48.3	5570.4	7600.4	36.4	-1876.2	-2121.8
of which: EU	2338.4	3619.5	54.8	4235.7	5511.8	30.1	-1897.3	-1892.3
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	7872.8	10436.0	32.6	5963.5	8790.8	47.4	1909.3	1645.2
of which: EU	5178.7	8037.2	55.2	3238.5	4496.3	38.8	1940.2	3540.9
Machinery and transport equipment	7717.5	9031.4	17.0	10154.6	13269.5	30.7	-2437.1	-4238.1
of which: EU	5862.7	6768.1	15.4	7504.8	9331.9	24.3	-1642.1	-2563.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4486.5	5955.9	32.8	2961.9	3827.9	29.2	1524.6	2128.0
of which: EU	3130.1	4448.1	42.1	1938.4	2521.9	30.1	1191.7	1926.2
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	127.3	39.0	-69.4	272.9	52.8	-80.7	-145.6	-13.8
of which: EU	85.6	23.1	-73.0	239.0	44.3	-81.5	-153.4	-21.2

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary as of September 14, 2022.