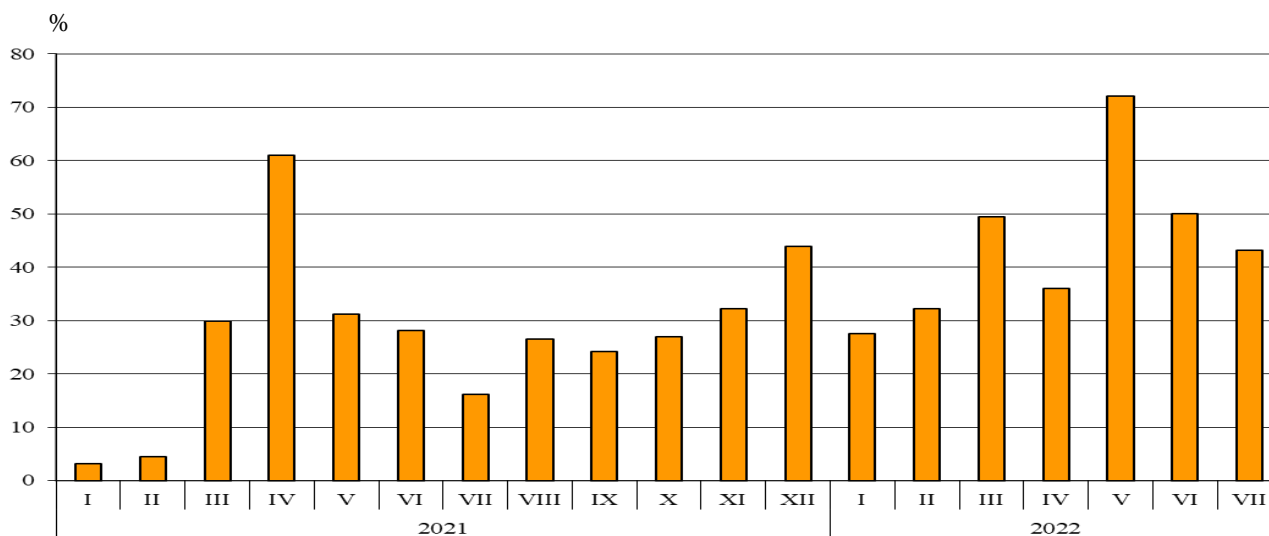


TRADE IN GOODS OF BULGARIA WITH EU IN THE PERIOD JANUARY - JULY 2022 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - July 2022**, the exports of goods from Bulgaria to the EU increased by 44.4% in comparison with the same period of 2021 and added up to 36 518.8 million BGN (Annex, Tables 1 and 2). Main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Romania, Italy, Greece, France and Spain, which accounted for 67.4% of the exports to the EU Member States (Annex, Table 3).

In **July 2022**, the exports to the EU grew by 43.2% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 5 484.2 million BGN.

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



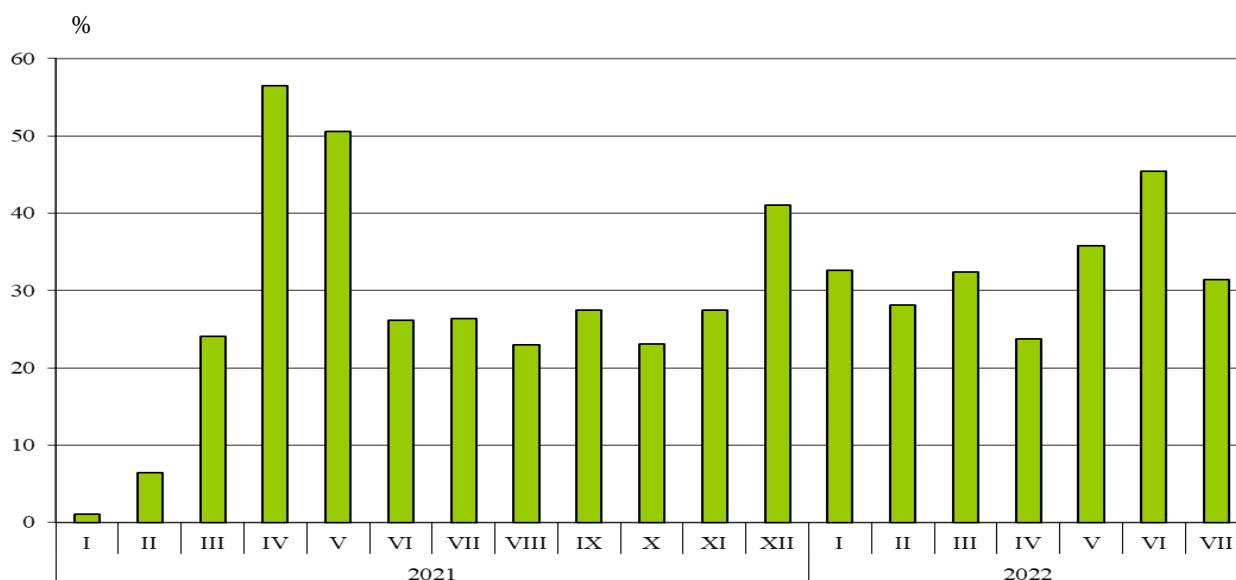
In the period **January - July 2022**, in the exports of goods from Bulgaria to the EU, distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, the most notable growth compared to the same period of 2021 was recorded in sections ‘Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials’ (301.9%) and ‘Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes’ (171.3%) (Annex, Table 4). A fall was reported in the section ‘Beverages and tobacco’ (15.4%).

¹ Value changes at current prices.

Imports of goods to Bulgaria from the EU in the period January - July 2022 increased by 32.9% in comparison with the same period of 2021 and added up to 33 948.0 million BGN (at CIF prices)¹ (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 **July 2022**, Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States grew by 31.4% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and amounted to 5 189.8 million BGN.

Figure 2. Nominal value² 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 - July 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’ (179.6%).

The **foreign trade balance of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with the EU in the period January - July 2022** was positive and added up to 2 570.8 million BGN (Annex, Table 1).

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.



Annex

Table 1

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria in the period
January - July 2021 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	4761.6	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
I - III.2021	15642.8	10375.1	5267.7	17171.6	10561.0	6610.6	-1528.8	-185.9	-1342.9
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
IV - VI.2021	16795.1	11085.6	5709.5	18561.3	11038.1	7523.2	-1766.2	47.5	-1813.7
I - VI.2021	32437.9	21460.7	10977.2	35732.9	21599.1	14133.8	-3295.0	-138.4	-3156.6
VII.2021	5861.3	3830.2	2031.1	6353.2	3949.7	2403.5	-491.9	-119.5	-372.4
I - VII.2021	38299.2	25290.9	13008.3	42086.1	25548.8	16537.3	-3786.9	-257.9	-3529.0
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
I - III.2022	21294.3	14210.1	7084.2	24341.0	13843.0	10498.0	-3046.7	367.1	-3413.8
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
IV - VI.2022	24927.9	16824.5	8103.4	27558.1	14915.2	12642.9	-2630.2	1909.3	-4539.5
I - VI.2022	46222.2	31034.6	15187.6	51899.1	28758.2	23140.9	-5676.9	2276.4	-7953.3
VII.2022	8068.8	5484.2	2584.6	9745.3	5189.8	4555.5	-1676.5	294.4	-1970.9
I - VII.2022	54291.0	36518.8	17772.2	61644.4	33948.0	27696.4	-7353.4	2570.8	-9924.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of October 12, 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 - July 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	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
I - III	36.1	37.0	34.5	41.8	31.1	58.8
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
IV - VI	48.4	51.8	41.9	48.5	35.1	68.1
I - VI	42.5	44.6	38.4	45.2	33.1	63.7
VII	37.7	43.2	27.3	53.4	31.4	89.5
I - VII	41.8	44.4	36.6	46.5	32.9	67.5

¹ Data are preliminary as of October 12, 2022.

Table 3
Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹
of Bulgaria in the period January - July 2021 and 2022²

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	
Total	38299.2	54291.0	41.8	42086.1	61644.4	46.5	-3786.9	-7353.4
EU	25290.9	36518.8	44.4	25548.8	33948.0	32.9	-257.9	2570.8
Austria	757.3	1024.7	35.3	1041.6	1317.6	26.5	-284.3	-292.9
Belgium	1213.9	1320.1	8.7	803.0	1114.5	38.8	410.9	205.6
Croatia	372.2	504.0	35.4	272.6	153.4	-43.7	99.6	350.6
Cyprus	149.2	240.3	61.1	117.7	63.9	-45.7	31.5	176.4
Czechia	835.9	962.3	15.1	1092.8	1340.7	22.7	-256.9	-378.4
Denmark	290.9	563.6	93.7	193.6	236.3	22.1	97.3	327.3
Estonia	35.3	63.7	80.5	57.5	47.8	-16.9	-22.2	15.9
Finland	83.1	123.4	48.5	94.3	113.7	20.6	-11.2	9.7
France	1408.7	1865.3	32.4	1166.7	1369.0	17.3	242.0	496.3
Germany	6001.5	7802.9	30.0	5258.9	6397.7	21.7	742.6	1405.2
Greece	2491.0	3637.9	46.0	2082.9	3624.9	74.0	408.1	13.0
Hungary	699.2	988.5	41.4	1624.9	1965.9	21.0	-925.7	-977.4
Ireland	70.8	116.1	64.0	283.1	266.3	-5.9	-212.3	-150.2
Italy	2936.1	4373.9	49.0	2825.9	3633.8	28.6	110.2	740.1
Latvia	40.6	47.9	18.0	33.9	75.6	123.0	6.7	-27.7
Lithuania	95.2	133.8	40.5	96.4	128.7	33.5	-1.2	5.1
Luxembourg	31.2	163.4	423.7	61.2	123.5	101.8	-30.0	39.9
Malta	26.4	20.6	-22.0	13.6	22.3	64.0	12.8	-1.7
Netherlands	989.7	1409.5	42.4	1772.0	2673.2	50.9	-782.3	-1263.7
Poland	955.5	1233.0	29.0	1512.3	1982.5	31.1	-556.8	-749.5
Portugal	147.5	163.3	10.7	117.9	138.7	17.6	29.6	24.6
Romania	3667.0	5353.1	46.0	3010.4	4537.6	50.7	656.6	815.5
Slovakia	300.0	504.2	68.1	554.9	640.7	15.5	-254.9	-136.5
Slovenia	220.4	751.8	241.1	314.9	442.4	40.5	-94.5	309.4
Spain	1032.3	1597.4	54.7	828.6	1091.1	31.7	203.7	506.3
Sweden	308.1	377.1	22.4	260.5	368.0	41.3	47.6	9.1
Not specified	131.9	1177.0	792.3	56.7	78.2	37.9	75.2	1098.8

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 October 12, 2022.

Table 3

**Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹
of Bulgaria in the period January - July 2021 and 2022²**

(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	
Non EU countries	13008.3	17772.2	36.6	16537.3	27696.4	67.5	-3529.0	-9924.2
CIS³	710.9	827.6	16.4	3148.3	7634.8	142.5	-2437.4	-6807.2
of which:								
Kazakhstan	33.9	39.6	16.8	2.9	16.9	482.8	31.0	22.7
Russian Federation	471.7	485.7	3.0	2972.4	7085.4	138.4	-2500.7	-6599.7
OECD⁴	5154.5	6500.9	26.1	5575.9	7852.3	40.8	-421.4	-1351.4
of which:								
Canada	74.9	104.1	39.0	210.4	125.2	-40.5	-135.5	-21.1
Chile	17.6	18.5	5.1	438.2	175.3	-60.0	-420.6	-156.8
Israel	216.1	435.7	101.6	232.4	69.7	-70.0	-16.3	366.0
Japan	60.3	80.6	33.7	222.5	243.9	9.6	-162.2	-163.3
Korea, Republic of	179.0	149.6	-16.4	154.9	221.3	42.9	24.1	-71.7
Turkey	2472.6	3259.7	31.8	3076.0	5351.6	74.0	-603.4	-2091.9
United Kingdom ⁵	716.5	861.1	20.2	327.6	415.4	26.8	388.9	445.7
United States	910.5	1059.7	16.4	272.0	710.7	161.3	638.5	349.0
EFTA⁶	332.3	394.2	18.6	351.9	404.1	14.8	-19.6	-9.9
of which:								
Norway	61.3	62.8	2.4	32.5	42.8	31.7	28.8	20.0
Switzerland	268.6	325.5	21.2	315.2	356.4	13.1	-46.6	-30.9

¹ Partner country:

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² Data are preliminary as of October 12, 2022.

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

⁴ 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.

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

⁶ EFTA includes: Norway; Switzerland; Iceland and Liechtenstein.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main partner countries¹
of Bulgaria in the period January - July 2021 and 2022²

(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	
Countries not included in the upper groups								
Albania	120.1	149.3	24.3	41.9	64.9	54.9	78.2	84.4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	106.3	114.7	7.9	30.9	27.9	-9.7	75.4	86.8
Brazil	52.4	156.9	199.4	219.0	336.3	53.6	-166.6	-179.4
China	1298.4	733.7	-43.5	2214.2	3436.6	55.2	-915.8	-2702.9
Egypt	325.5	632.3	94.3	256.6	272.2	6.1	68.9	360.1
Georgia	197.0	286.8	45.6	368.2	609.0	65.4	-171.2	-322.2
India	145.4	289.0	98.8	224.2	317.6	41.7	-78.8	-28.6
Indonesia	55.6	29.5	-46.9	37.0	210.3	468.4	18.6	-180.8
Iran, Islamic Republic of	103.9	147.3	41.8	50.0	105.5	111.0	53.9	41.8
Peru	5.0	13.9	178.0	438.3	331.7	-24.3	-433.3	-317.8
Republic of North Macedonia	549.4	891.7	62.3	404.8	524.6	29.6	144.6	367.1
Serbia	743.9	1317.4	77.1	799.8	1030.0	28.8	-55.9	287.4
Singapore	41.5	27.1	-34.7	48.9	61.8	26.4	-7.4	-34.7
South Africa	42.3	254.0	500.5	56.7	45.4	-19.9	-14.4	208.6
Syrian Arab Republic	3.8	3.5	-7.9	3.7	8.2	121.6	0.1	-4.7
Taiwan	40.9	44.5	8.8	193.3	288.3	49.1	-152.4	-243.8
Tunisia	268.7	309.2	15.1	21.2	59.8	182.1	247.5	249.4
Ukraine	430.3	954.8	121.9	855.7	1916.8	124.0	-425.4	-962.0
United Arab Emirates	92.6	126.5	36.6	43.8	46.2	5.5	48.8	80.3
Viet Nam	60.8	51.8	-14.8	114.9	182.8	59.1	-54.1	-131.0

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 October 12, 2022.



Table 4

Exports, imports and trade balance of Bulgaria by sections of SITC, rev. 4
in the period January - July 2021 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	
Total	38299.2	54291.0	41.8	42086.1	61644.4	46.5	-3786.9	-7353.4
of which: EU	25290.9	36518.8	44.4	25548.8	33948.0	32.9	-257.9	2570.8
Food and live animals	4152.1	5993.9	44.4	3176.1	4030.8	26.9	976.0	1963.1
of which: EU	2543.7	3347.3	31.6	2427.3	3041.2	25.3	116.4	306.1
Beverages and tobacco	375.3	362.3	-3.5	709.8	833.8	17.5	-334.5	-471.5
of which: EU	267.4	226.3	-15.4	535.5	646.2	20.7	-268.1	-419.9
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	2943.4	3126.7	6.2	4088.2	5876.0	43.7	-1144.8	-2749.3
of which: EU	1752.1	1895.4	8.2	912.6	1246.8	36.6	839.5	648.6
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1895.1	6717.4	254.5	4301.8	10293.3	139.3	-2406.7	-3575.9
of which: EU	666.5	2678.8	301.9	1264.9	2650.5	109.5	-598.4	28.3
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	823.5	1982.4	140.7	247.2	842.0	240.6	576.3	1140.4
of which: EU	575.5	1561.6	171.3	150.2	419.9	179.6	425.3	1141.7
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	4369.8	6368.4	45.7	6590.2	9126.8	38.5	-2220.4	-2758.4
of which: EU	2763.6	4226.8	52.9	5026.7	6575.0	30.8	-2263.1	-2348.2
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	9174.5	12095.3	31.8	7198.6	10417.4	44.7	1975.9	1677.9
of which: EU	6019.9	9348.7	55.3	3854.2	5240.2	36.0	2165.7	4108.5
Machinery and transport equipment	9069.1	10638.2	17.3	11938.2	15662.9	31.2	-2869.1	-5024.7
of which: EU	6890.8	7980.9	15.8	8798.4	11097.2	26.1	-1907.6	-3116.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5350.6	6963.5	30.1	3519.9	4499.3	27.8	1830.7	2464.2
of which: EU	3714.2	5228.6	40.8	2301.3	2978.7	29.4	1412.9	2249.9
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	145.8	42.9	-70.6	316.1	62.1	-80.4	-170.3	-19.2
of which: EU	97.2	24.4	-74.9	277.7	52.3	-81.2	-180.5	-27.9

¹ Data are preliminary as of October 12, 2022.