

Foreign Trade (Total and with EU countries)

December 2009

Istat presents November 2009 data on Italy's overall and EU foreign trade, as well as unit value and volume indices referring to October 2009 (base year 2005=100). The results of the survey on extra-EU trade for November 2009 data will be disseminated on coming January 26th.

- In November 2009, compared with the same month of the previous year, trade flows from and to the EU Member States declined by 8.1% for dispatches and 2.7% for arrivals. The trade balance showed a deficit of 760 million Euro (table 1) compared with a 111 million Euro surplus in the same month of 2008.
- November 2009 seasonally-adjusted data, compared to October 2009, presented increases for both flows, specifically 2.4% for dispatches and 1.7% for arrivals. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data, in comparison with the previous three months, showed a 1.1% fall in outgoing flows and a 0.8% increase in incoming flows. Overall, in the first 11 months of 2009, dispatches decreased by 24.1% compared with the same period of 2008 and arrivals by 19.8%. In the same period, the trade balance registered a sharp drop from a surplus of 10.291 million Euro, in the corresponding period of 2008, to a deficit of 271 million Euro.
- Considering overall Italian trade, in November 2009, compared to the same month of the previous year, exports declined by 9.1% and dispatches by 9.8%. The trade balance was negative for 790 million Euro (table 1) compared with a 1.118 million Euro deficit in the same month of 2008.
- In seasonally-adjusted terms, the comparison of November 2009 with October 2009 data showed a growth of 2.5% for exports and 1% for imports. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data, in comparison with the previous three months, presented a 0.1% fall in outgoing flows and a 0.8% increase in incoming flows. In the first 11 months of 2009, the overall exports declined by 22.1% compared with the same period of 2008, and arrivals by 23.5%. In the same period, the trade balance has reduced its deficit from 11.063 million Euro in the corresponding period of 2008 to 3.863 million Euro.

Exports, imports and trade balance– December 2009

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED		
	MILLIONS OF EUROS		SHARE		MILLIONS OF EUROS		SHARE
	Dec.2009	Jan-dec.09	<u>Dec.09</u> <u>Dec.08</u>	<u>Jan-dec.09</u> <u>Jan-dec.08</u>	Dec.2009	<u>Dec.09</u> <u>Nov.09</u>	<u>Oct.-Dec.09</u> <u>Jul.-Sep.09</u>
EU COUNTRIES							
Exports	13,412	165,784	1.4	-22.5	14,367	3.3	0.3
Imports	14,808	167,575	9.1	-17.8	14,772	3.0	3.0
Trade balance	-1,396	-1,791			-405		
TOTAL							
Exports	25,049	290,116	-1.9	-20.7	25,060	4.4	-0.2
Imports	25,172	294,225	-3.0	-22.0	25,090	1.6	2.4
Trade balance	-123	-4,109			-30		

Total exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings – December 2009

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES		SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES		MILLIONS OF EUROS	
		<u>Dec.09</u> <u>Dec.08</u>	<u>Jan-dec.09</u> <u>Jan-dec.08</u>		<u>Dec.09</u> <u>Dec.08</u>	<u>Jan-dec.09</u> <u>Jan-dec.08</u>	Dec.2009	Jan-dec.09
Consumer goods	27.6	-3.3	-13.2	22.8	2.8	-5.2	610	6,052
- consumer durables	6.7	-12.0	-22.2	3.1	15.9	-7.5	746	8,144
- consumer non durables	20.9	-0.5	-10.3	19.7	1.1	-4.9	-136	-2,092
Capital goods	33.9	-2.7	-21.6	23.7	1.1	-19.9	2,748	25,746
Intermediate goods	34.0	-1.3	-23.6	33.4	0.5	-29.0	334	5,455
Energy	4.6	13.1	-37.7	20.1	-18.5	-31.9	-3,816	-41,361
Total (except energy)	95.4	-2.4	-19.9	79.9	1.4	-19.5	3,692	37,252
TOTAL	100.0	-1.9	-20.7	100.0	-3.0	-22.0	-123	-4,109

(a)-Calculated on 2008 total foreign trade

Index unit values an volume – November 2009

	INDEXES		PERCENTAGE CHANGES			
	Unit value indexes	Volume indexes	Unit value indexes		Volume indexes	
	November 2009	November 2009	<u>Nov.09</u> <u>Nov.08</u>	<u>Jan-nov.09</u> <u>Jan-nov.08</u>	<u>Nov.09</u> <u>Nov.08</u>	<u>Jan-nov.09</u> <u>Jan-nov.08</u>
Exports	114.5	88.3	-1.9	-1.0	-7.2	-21.3
Imports	110.2	92.0	-9.0	-9.3	-0.5	-15.7

Exports, imports and trade balance with EU countries. - December 2009

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES		SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES		MILLIONS OF EUROS	
		Dec.09 Dec.08	Jan-dec.09 Jan-dec.08		Dec.09 Dec.08	Jan-dec.09 Jan-dec.08	Dec.2009	Jan-dec.09
UEM16:	44.1	3.7	-21.3	43.9	7.8	-18.4	-1,531	-8,263
<i>Austria</i>	2.3	-3.0	-20.8	2.3	-4.1	-20.8	-72	12
<i>Belgium</i>	2.7	-6.5	-18.1	3.8	6.2	-16.5	-318	-3,912
<i>Cyprus</i>	0.3	2.0	-32.7	0.0	351.6	-69.7	49	682
<i>Finland</i>	0.5	-17.2	-29.6	0.6	-37.7	-36.8	-27	-273
<i>France</i>	11.2	8.6	-18.0	8.6	9.4	-19.8	449	7,678
<i>Germany</i>	12.8	-2.6	-21.5	16.0	8.6	-18.7	-1,547	-12,459
<i>Greece</i>	2.1	-8.5	-21.4	0.5	14.7	-21.8	300	4,585
<i>Ireland</i>	0.4	-1.1	-35.6	0.8	37.4	4.6	-220	-2,274
<i>Luxembourg</i>	0.1	-18.2	-15.4	0.4	4.8	-34.5	-47	-584
<i>Malta</i>	0.3	29.0	-13.7	0.1	112.3	-12.2	55	783
<i>Netherlands</i>	2.3	-5.8	-17.8	5.4	1.8	-18.2	-886	-9,494
<i>Portugal</i>	1.0	138.6	8.3	0.4	-4.4	-19.4	424	2,706
<i>Slovakia</i>	0.5	6.6	-20.8	0.7	39.8	-11.3	-58	-638
<i>Slovenia</i>	1.0	10.3	-27.6	0.6	0.5	-24.0	100	1,078
<i>Spain</i>	6.5	3.0	-31.0	3.9	16.8	-14.6	267	3,848
Bulgaria	0.5	-33.1	-36.0	0.3	68.1	-1.5	-18	98
Denmark	0.7	-21.1	-31.9	0.6	-5.2	-5.5	-47	-347
Estonia	0.1	-6.1	-43.9	0.0	-50.9	-15.8	14	121
Latvia	0.1	0.8	-43.1	0.0	-12.0	-18.4	13	140
Lithuania	0.2	-47.5	-39.6	0.1	6.4	-16.9	12	247
Poland	2.6	-4.9	-18.0	1.8	30.3	-1.3	34	1,164
United Kingdom	5.3	2.4	-22.6	3.0	15.0	-18.7	319	5,637
Czech Republic	1.1	0.8	-26.6	1.1	20.2	-20.6	-75	-402
Romania	1.6	-1.8	-31.8	1.1	12.3	-14.5	10	317
Sweden	1.1	-5.2	-31.3	1.1	-6.5	-30.4	-45	-142
Hungary	1.0	-9.8	-32.1	1.0	10.4	-19.5	-105	-636
TOTAL	58.5	1.4	-22.5	54.1	9.1	-17.8	-1.396	-1.791

(a) Calculated on 2008 total foreign trade.

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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