

## Foreign trade with non-EU countries: preliminary estimates

*October 2010*

Istat presents preliminary data on Italy's foreign trade with non-EU countries in October 2010. The results of the survey on total foreign trade in October 2010 will be disseminated on coming 15 December.

In October 2010, exports to non-EU countries increased by 21.9% and imports by 32.0% compared with the same month of the previous year. The trade balance showed a deficit of 1,002 million euro (Table 1) compared with a 76 million euro surplus in the same month of 2009.

In October 2010, in seasonally-adjusted terms, exports increased by 1.6% and imports increased by 3.2% compared with September 2010. Over the last three months, seasonally-adjusted data showed a 0.7% decrease in outgoing flows and a 3.0% increase in incoming flows in comparison with the previous three months.

In the period January- October 2010 exports to non-EU countries increased by 15.9% and imports by 27.1% compared with the same period of 2009. The trade balance registered a deficit of 16,953 million euro compared to the deficit of 4,383 million euro in the same period of 2009. Excluding energy, the trade balance presented a surplus of 24,154 million euro (Table 3) compared with a 29,961 million euro surplus in January- October 2009.

Table 1- Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries – October 2010

	NON SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED				SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED			
	MILLIONS OF EUROS		SHARE		MILLIONS OF EUROS		SHARE	
	Oct. 2010	Jan.-Oct. 10	$\frac{\text{Oct. 10}}{\text{Oct. 09}}$	$\frac{\text{Jan.-Oct. 10}}{\text{Jan.-Oct. 09}}$	Oct. 2010	$\frac{\text{Oct.10}}{\text{Oct.09}}$	$\frac{\text{Ago.-Oct. 10}}{\text{May-Jul. 10}}$	
Exports	13,365	117,657	21.9	15.9	12,,461	1.6	-0.7	
Imports	14,367	134,610	32.0	27.1	14.416	3.2	3.0	
Trade balance	-1,002	-16,953			-1,955			

Table 2 - Exports, imports and trade balance with non-EU countries – October 2010

COUNTRIES	EXPORTS (b)			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES		SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES		MILLIONS OF EUROS	
		Oct. 10 Oct. 09	Jan.-Oct. 10 Jan.-Oct. 09		Oct. 10 Oct. 09	Jan.-Oct. 10 Jan.-Oct. 09	Oct. 2010	Jan.-Oct. 10
European non-EU countries	11.7	28.2	17.9	11.3	6.3	10.8	826	2,307
<i>Russian Fed.</i>	2.2	41.3	19.5	4.1	-0.1	4.4	-122	-3,944
<i>Switzerland</i>	4.6	25.4	16.5	3.5	4.9	11.8	454	3,242
<i>Turkey</i>	1.9	40.6	44.4	1.5	12.3	16.8	258	2,259
North Africa	4.0	43.9	16.0	6.8	20.2	17.6	-545	-8,961
Other African countries	1.6	8.1	-0.9	1.5	38.8	29.3	-83	-910
North America	6.6	20.9	18.6	3.6	11.9	15.8	1,071	8,647
<i>United States</i>	5.9	20.3	19.1	3.2	7.6	14.7	1,003	7,922
Central and South America	3.1	41.8	23.5	2.5	54.1	29.8	208	937
Middle Eastern countries	5.2	6.3	6.1	4.1	43.6	74.8	-447	-3,998
Other Asian countries	8.7	11.6	17.6	12.5	58.5	34.8	-2,396	-17,788
<i>China</i>	2.3	33.8	31.9	6.5	85.2	41.5	-2,298	-16,360
<i>Japan</i>	1.3	9.3	5.5	1.3	2.2	7.6	47	-311
<i>India</i>	0.9	9.9	20.5	1.0	71.8	30.7	-92	-565
Oceania and other territories	1.6	18.5	13.0	0.5	8.6	15.3	366	2,813
OPEC	6.1	20.6	0.7	8.4	22.0	34.0	-960	-13,164
MERCOSUR	1.2	45.0	50.5	1.3	39.1	25.4	82	111
DAE	3.0	-0.7	17.0	1.9	34.6	32.0	180	2,089
ASEAN	1.5	-16.7	6.8	1.5	29.1	25.3	-53	-939
<b>Total</b>	<b>42.4</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>42.6</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>27.1</b>	<b>-1,002</b>	<b>-16,953</b>

(a) Calculated on revised 2009 total foreign trade.

Table 3 – Exports, imports and trade balance by Main Industrial Groupings – October 2010

MIGS	EXPORTS			IMPORTS			TRADE BALANCE	
	SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES		SHARE (a)	PERCENTAGE CHANGES		MILLIONS OF EUROS	
		Oct. 10 Oct. 09	Jan.-Oct. 10 Jan.-Oct. 09		Oct. 10 Oct. 09	Jan.-Oct. 10 Jan.-Oct. 09	Oct. 2010	Jan.-Oct. 10
<b>Consumer goods</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>19.6</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>2,087</b>
- <i>consumer durables</i>	2.7	21.4	18.4	1.5	-3.9	14.6	572	3,387
- <i>consumer non durables</i>	9.0	19.0	15.1	9.4	13.5	11.6	389	-1,300
<b>Capital goods</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>2,775</b>	<b>26,011</b>
<b>Intermediate goods</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>52.7</b>	<b>-841</b>	<b>-3,945</b>
<b>Energy</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>92.1</b>	<b>63.3</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>-3,897</b>	<b>-41,107</b>
<b>Total (except energy)</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>26.9</b>	<b>38.7</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>2,896</b>	<b>24,154</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42.4</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>42.6</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>27.1</b>	<b>-1,002</b>	<b>-16,953</b>

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