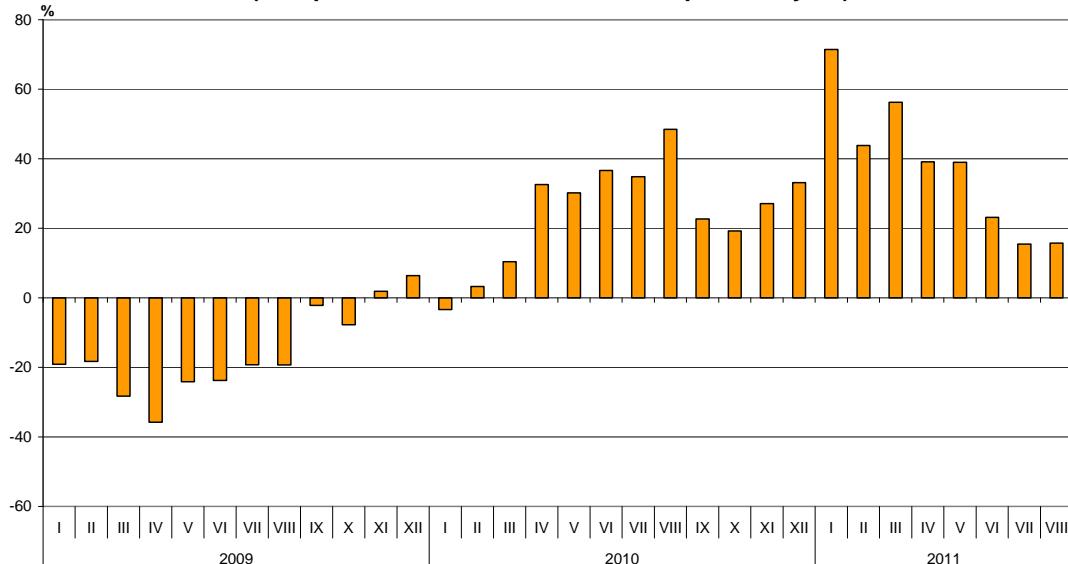


BULGARIAN TRADE WITH EU FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - AUGUST 2011 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

In the period **January - August 2011** the Bulgarian **exports** to the EU increased by 34.8% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 15.9 billion levs (Table 1.1 and 1.2). The main trade partners of Bulgaria were Germany, Romania, Italy, Greece and Belgium, that formed 67.0 % of the total exports to the EU Member states (Table 2). The most significant growths were observed in the exports to Malta and Denmark. Falls were registered in the exports to Slovenia and Slovakia.

In **August 2011** the exports to the EU increased by 15.7% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and exceeded 2.0 billion levs.

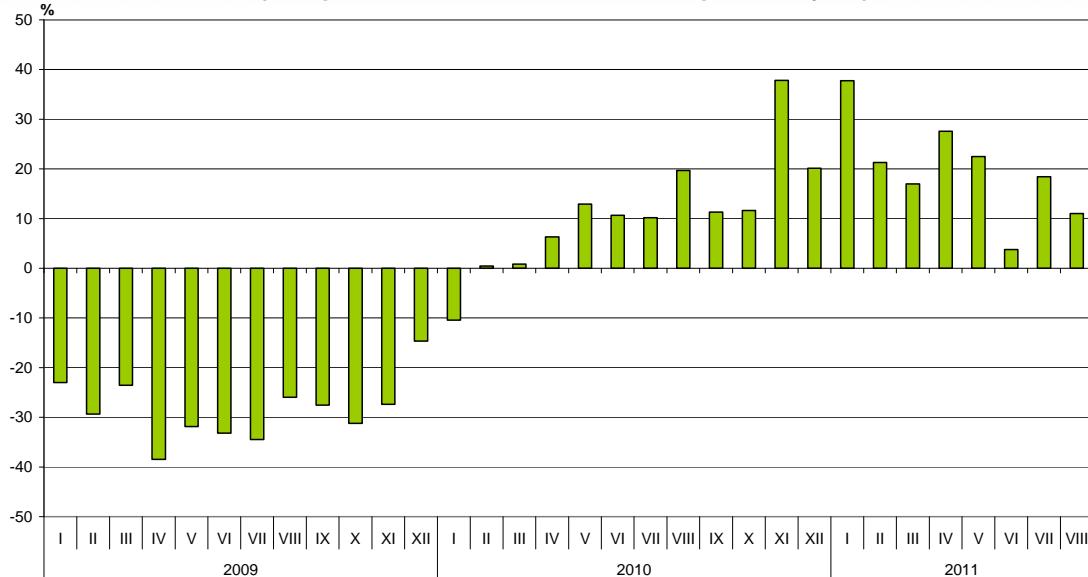
**Figure 1. Nominal growth of exports to EU for the period
2009 - 2011
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)**



Bulgarian **imports** from the EU in the period **January - August 2011** increased by 19.0% compared to the corresponding period of the previous year and amounted to 16.2 billion levs at CIF prices (Tables 1.1 and 1.2). The most significant growths were reported on the imports from Cyprus and Latvia (Table 2). Decreases were observed in the imports from Portugal, Finland and Denmark.

In **August 2011** the Bulgarian imports from the EU Member States increased by 11.0% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year and exceeded 1.9 billion levs at CIF prices.

**Figure 2. Nominal growth of imports from EU for the period
2009 - 2011**
(Compared to the same month of the previous year)



The **foreign trade balance** of Bulgaria (export FOB - import CIF) with **EU** in the period January - August 2011 was negative and amounted to 352.2 million levs (Table 1.1). At FOB/FOB prices (after elimination of transport and insurance costs on imports) the trade balance was positive and amounted to 377.5 million levs.

The **exports** of Bulgaria to the **EU** distributed according to the **Standard International Trade Classification**, increased in all sections in the first eight months of 2011 compared to the corresponding period of the previous year (Table 3). The largest growths were recorded in the sections, “Chemical and related products”, “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”¹ and „Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes”²

The largest growths **on imports** from EU were reported in sections „Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes” and “Crude materials, inedible (except fuels)”. Falls were reported in section “Mineral fuels, lubricant and related materials”.

¹ The section includes following divisions: raw hides, skins and furskins; oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits; crude rubber; cork and wood; pulp and waste paper; textile fibres and their wastes; crude fertilizers and crude minerals; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.

² The section includes the following divisions: animal oils and fats; fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated; animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes of animal or vegetable origin; inedible mixtures or preparations of animal or vegetable fats or oils, n.e.s.



ANNEX

Table 1.1

Exports, imports and trade balance for the period January - August 2010 and 2011¹ by months

(Million Levs)

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB ²			Trade balance - FOB/CIF			Trade balance - FOB/FOB ²		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I.2010	1785.6	1075.1	710.5	2270.3	1275.0	995.3	2162.3	1215.4	946.9	-484.7	-199.9	-284.8	-376.7	-140.3	-236.4
II.2010	1952.7	1264.3	688.4	2303.4	1537.9	765.5	2194.3	1463.3	731.0	-350.7	-273.6	-77.1	-241.6	-199.0	-42.6
III.2010	2194.7	1294.7	900.0	2976.3	1784.1	1192.2	2838.1	1705.3	1132.8	-781.6	-489.4	-292.2	-643.4	-410.6	-232.8
I - III.2010	5933.0	3634.1	2298.9	7550.0	4597.0	2953.0	7194.7	4384.0	2810.7	-1617.0	-962.9	-654.1	-1261.7	-749.9	-511.8
IV.2010	2296.7	1326.8	969.9	3129.3	1669.2	1460.1	2978.8	1595.2	1383.6	-832.6	-342.4	-490.2	-682.1	-268.4	-413.7
V.2010	2370.0	1467.1	902.9	3215.3	1857.6	1357.7	3062.8	1774.7	1288.1	-845.3	-390.5	-454.8	-692.8	-307.6	-385.2
VI.2010	2764.1	1647.6	1116.5	3263.1	1920.4	1342.7	3105.0	1833.0	1272.0	-499.0	-272.8	-226.2	-340.9	-185.4	-155.5
IV-VI.2010	7430.8	4441.5	2989.3	9607.7	5447.2	4160.5	9146.6	5202.9	3943.7	-2176.9	-1005.7	-1171.2	-1715.8	-761.4	-954.4
I - VI.2010	13363.8	8075.6	5288.2	17157.7	10044.2	7113.5	16341.3	9586.9	6754.4	-3793.9	-1968.6	-1825.3	-2977.5	-1511.3	-1466.2
VII.2010	2989.2	1921.9	1067.3	3281.6	1833.5	1448.1	3119.6	1749.4	1370.2	-292.4	88.4	-380.8	-130.4	172.5	-302.9
VIII.2010	2841.6	1774.1	1067.5	3010.8	1751.8	1259.0	2870.3	1672.1	1198.2	-169.2	22.3	-191.5	-28.7	102.0	-130.7
I-VIII.2010	19194.6	11771.6	7423.0	23450.1	13629.5	9820.6	22331.2	13008.4	9322.8	-4255.5	-1857.9	-2397.6	-3136.6	-1236.8	-1899.8
I.2011	3109.1	1843.4	1265.7	3115.9	1756.0	1359.9	2967.3	1678.2	1289.1	-6.8	87.4	-94.2	141.8	165.2	-23.4
II.2011	2914.4	1818.1	1096.3	3134.5	1865.4	1269.1	2987.8	1783.4	1204.4	-220.1	-47.3	-172.8	-73.4	34.7	-108.1
III.2011	3318.9	2022.9	1296.0	3579.3	2086.7	1492.6	3409.7	1992.8	1416.9	-260.4	-63.8	-196.6	-90.8	30.1	-120.9
I - III.2011	9342.4	5684.4	3658.0	9829.7	5708.1	4121.6	9364.8	5454.4	3910.4	-487.3	-23.7	-463.6	-22.4	230.0	-252.4
IV.2011	3140.2	1845.6	1294.6	3722.4	2129.2	1593.2	3536.3	2028.0	1508.3	-582.2	-283.6	-298.6	-396.1	-182.4	-213.7
V.2011	3247.3	2038.9	1208.4	3860.7	2275.2	1585.5	3675.5	2173.6	1501.9	-613.4	-236.3	-377.1	-428.2	-134.7	-293.5
VI.2011	3121.6	2028.3	1093.3	3711.0	1992.8	1718.2	3529.1	1903.1	1626.0	-589.4	35.5	-624.9	-407.5	125.2	-532.7
IV - VI.2011	9509.1	5912.8	3596.3	11294.1	6397.2	4896.9	10740.9	6104.7	4636.2	-1785.0	-484.4	-1300.6	-1231.8	-191.9	-1039.9
I - VI.2011	18851.5	11597.2	7254.3	21123.8	12105.3	9018.5	20105.7	11559.1	8546.6	-2272.3	-508.1	-1764.2	-1254.2	38.1	-1292.3
VII.2011	3601.5	2218.9	1382.6	3695.4	2171.2	1524.2	3517.7	2074.8	1442.9	-93.9	47.7	-141.6	83.8	144.1	-60.3
VIII.2011	3271.8	2053.2	1218.6	3425.1	1945.0	1480.1	3265.1	1857.9	1407.2	-153.3	108.2	-261.5	6.7	195.3	-188.6
I-VIII.2011	25724.8	15869.3	9855.5	28244.3	16221.5	12022.8	26888.5	15491.8	11396.7	-2519.5	-352.2	-2167.3	-1163.7	377.5	-1541.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.11.2011.

² By data of BNB for the transport costs.



Table 1.2

Growth of exports and imports for the period January - August 2011¹ compared to the same month of the previous year

Months	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Imports - FOB		
	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU	Total	EU	Non EU
I	74.1	71.5	78.1	37.2	37.7	36.6	37.2	38.1	36.1
II	49.2	43.8	59.3	36.1	21.3	65.8	36.2	21.9	64.8
III	51.2	56.2	44.0	20.3	17.0	25.2	20.1	16.9	25.1
I - III	57.5	56.4	59.1	30.2	24.2	39.6	30.2	24.4	39.1
IV	36.7	39.1	33.5	19.0	27.6	9.1	18.7	27.1	9.0
V	37.0	39.0	33.8	20.1	22.5	16.8	20.0	22.5	16.6
VI	12.9	23.1	-2.1	13.7	3.8	28.0	13.7	3.8	27.8
IV - VI	28.0	33.1	20.3	17.6	17.4	17.7	17.4	17.3	17.6
I-VI	41.1	43.6	37.2	23.1	20.5	26.8	23.0	20.6	26.5
VII	20.5	15.5	29.5	12.6	18.4	5.3	12.8	18.6	5.3
VIII	15.1	15.7	14.2	13.8	11.0	17.6	13.8	11.1	17.4
I-VIII	34.0	34.8	32.8	20.4	19.0	22.4	20.4	19.1	22.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.11.2011.



Table 2

Exports, imports and trade balance by groups of countries and main trade partners¹
for the period January-August 2010 and 2011²

Countries and groups of countries	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	19194.6	25724.8	34.0	23450.1	28244.3	20.4	-4255.5	-2519.5
EU	11771.6	15869.3	34.8	13629.5	16221.5	19.0	-1857.9	-352.2
Austria	341.0	509.7	49.5	842.1	931.3	10.6	-501.1	-421.6
Belgium	849.4	1417.4	66.9	475.5	525.2	10.5	373.9	892.2
Cyprus	51.0	71.6	40.4	31.7	67.8	113.9	19.3	3.8
Czech Republic	175.9	273.2	55.3	441.8	464.7	5.2	-265.9	-191.5
Denmark	66.3	186.2	180.8	121.9	113.0	-7.3	-55.6	73.2
Estonia	11.9	15.8	32.8	4.9	6.0	22.4	7.0	9.8
Finland	29.5	40.0	35.6	109.3	76.5	-30.0	-79.8	-36.5
France	762.3	1086.5	42.5	758.2	898.5	18.5	4.1	188.0
Germany	1985.8	3124.9	57.4	2733.0	3176.0	16.2	-747.2	-51.1
Greece	1596.1	1709.1	7.1	1340.2	1720.7	28.4	255.9	-11.6
Hungary	237.8	352.8	48.4	737.5	890.1	20.7	-499.7	537.3
Ireland	11.2	18.0	60.7	66.4	100.2	50.9	-55.2	-82.2
Italy	1995.1	2042.7	2.4	1665.0	2017.3	21.2	330.1	25.4
Latvia	19.8	25.0	26.3	11.4	19.9	74.6	8.4	5.1
Lithuania	30.0	32.8	9.3	33.9	45.3	33.6	-3.9	-12.5
Luxembourg	26.2	29.6	13.0	15.8	19.0	20.3	10.4	10.6
Malta	6.8	55.8	720.6	11.8	19.8	67.8	-5.0	36.0
Netherlands	281.6	440.6	56.5	636.0	712.8	12.1	-354.4	-272.2
Poland	314.0	504.0	60.5	481.8	526.9	9.4	-167.8	-22.9
Portugal	54.0	93.5	73.1	91.9	62.5	-32.0	-37.9	31.0
Romania	1638.0	2339.0	42.8	1625.3	1996.8	22.9	12.7	342.2
Slovakia	144.4	142.0	-1.7	239.7	344.8	43.8	-95.3	-202.8
Slovenia	165.0	138.9	-15.8	173.5	202.6	16.8	-8.5	-63.7
Spain	510.7	585.0	14.5	496.5	623.1	25.5	14.2	-38.1
Sweden	90.8	141.5	55.8	109.1	177.8	63.0	-18.3	-36.3
United Kingdom	368.9	484.0	31.2	355.6	459.3	29.2	13.3	24.7
Not specified	8.1	9.7	19.8	19.7	23.6	19.8	-11.6	-13.9
Non EU countries	7423.0	9855.5	32.8	9820.6	12022.8	22.4	-2397.6	-2167.3
CIS	1013.6	1458.0	43.8	5015.0	6762.5	34.8	-4001.4	-5304.5
of which:								
Georgia	161.5	263.1	62.9	226.0	264.4	17.0	-64.5	-1.3
Kazakhstan	20.8	25.6	23.1	4.5	111.3	2373.3	16.3	-85.7
Russian Fed.	526.4	642.7	22.1	3741.3	5118.4	36.8	-3214.9	-4475.7
Ukraine	157.6	355.7	125.7	982.4	1178.5	20.0	-824.8	-822.8
OECD³	2201.1	3193.6	45.1	1937.8	2293.1	18.3	263.3	900.5
of which:								
Canada	34.2	79.7	133.0	50.1	53.7	7.2	-15.9	26.0
Japan	21.8	30.6	40.4	82.2	88.7	7.9	-60.4	-58.1
Korea, Rep. of	105.2	126.8	20.5	67.1	143.1	113.3	38.1	-16.3
Turkey	1612.8	2359.2	46.3	1324.7	1471.6	11.1	288.1	887.6
USA	239.6	335.2	39.9	172.7	257.7	49.2	66.9	77.5



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of which:								
Norway	28.6	43.3	51.4	8.5	16.7	96.5	20.1	26.6
Switzerland	119.5	158.1	32.3	210.3	240.6	14.4	-90.8	-82.5
Countries not included in the upper groups:								
Albania	77.6	61.1	-21.3	13.5	22.6	67.4	64.1	38.5
Bosnia and Herzegovina	39.7	53.1	33.8	9.0	8.9	-1.1	30.7	44.2
Brazil	34.5	44.1	27.8	99.0	100.0	1.0	-64.5	-55.9
China	251.8	364.6	44.8	607.7	807.6	32.9	-355.9	-443.0
Croatia	126.3	135.0	6.9	35.8	37.5	4.7	90.5	97.5
Egypt	140.0	191.7	36.9	85.8	119.8	39.6	54.2	71.9
India	53.7	107.3	99.8	61.3	81.4	32.8	-7.6	25.9
Indonesia	19.7	15.5	-21.3	20.4	26.8	31.4	-0.7	-11.3
Iran	74.0	66.8	-9.7	7.8	4.2	-46.2	66.2	62.6
Israel	54.8	57.5	4.9	141.5	219.7	55.3	-86.7	-162.2
Peru	7.6	3.1	-59.2	308.6	42.5	-86.2	-301.0	-39.4
Serbia	680.4	645.4	-5.1	255.5	320.4	25.4	424.9	325.0
Singapore	353.5	69.6	-80.3	8.2	18.0	119.5	345.3	51.6
South Africa	8.4	122.1	1353.6	12.8	25.2	96.9	-4.4	96.9
Syria	109.0	13.5	-87.6	41.8	49.9	19.4	67.2	-36.4
Taiwan	24.6	30.4	23.6	77.6	74.5	-4.0	-53.0	-44.1
The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	380.0	593.3	56.1	316.8	337.0	6.4	63.2	256.3
United Arab Emirates	48.7	41.1	-15.6	19.2	61.1	218.2	29.5	-20.0
Viet-Nam	28.1	14.5	-48.4	45.5	22.0	-51.6	-17.4	-7.5

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 09.11.2011.

³ Excluding EU countries.



Table 3

Exports, imports and trade balance by sections of SITC, rev. 4
for the period January - August 2010 and 2011¹

Sections by SITC	Exports - FOB			Imports - CIF			Trade balance - FOB/CIF	
	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011	Growth - %	2010	2011
	Million Levs			Million Levs			Million Levs	
Total	19194.6	25724.8	34.0	23450.1	28244.3	20.4	-4255.5	-2519.5
of which EU	11771.6	15869.3	34.8	13629.5	16221.5	19.0	-1857.9	-352.2
Food and live animals	1862.7	2264.8	21.6	1776.2	2131.6	20.0	86.5	133.2
of which EU	1408.7	1760.0	24.9	1411.0	1744.7	23.6	-2.3	15.3
Beverages and tobacco	403.2	475.6	18.0	330.0	338.6	2.6	73.2	137.0
of which EU	169.0	201.3	19.1	229.2	249.7	8.9	-60.2	-48.4
Crude materials, inedible (except fuel)	1670.8	2532.8	51.6	2138.8	2045.4	-4.4	-468.0	487.4
of which EU	956.6	1485.3	55.3	713.3	957.8	34.3	243.3	527.5
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	2596.5	3628.0	39.7	5203.3	6687.2	28.5	-2606.8	-3059.2
of which EU	719.8	743.0	3.2	791.3	780.3	-1.4	-71.5	-37.3
Animals and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	106.7	165.6	55.2	100.4	137.8	37.3	6.3	27.8
of which EU	81.6	124.6	52.7	71.9	107.7	49.8	9.7	16.9
Chemical and related products n.e.c.	1514.6	2033.5	34.3	2804.1	3444.9	22.9	-1289.5	-1411.4
of which EU	602.5	963.6	59.9	2259.5	2683.0	18.7	-1657.0	-1719.4
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	4608.3	6602.8	43.3	3944.1	5004.7	26.9	664.2	1598.1
of which EU	2907.1	4332.1	49.0	2573.1	3121.1	21.3	334.0	1211.0
Machinery and transport equipment	3179.1	4267.2	34.2	5362.1	6492.8	21.1	-2183.0	-2225.6
of which EU	2318.7	3124.5	34.8	4209.9	5077.0	20.6	-1891.2	-1952.5
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	3233.7	3727.0	15.3	1728.4	1885.6	9.1	1505.3	1841.4
of which EU	2601.1	3121.2	20.0	1318.4	1441.3	9.3	1282.7	1679.9
Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	19.0	27.5	44.7	62.7	75.7	20.7	-43.7	-48.2
of which EU	6.5	13.7	110.8	51.9	58.9	13.5	-45.4	-45.2

¹ Data are preliminary as of 09.11.2011.