

International Trade in Goods: April 2024

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During April 2024, provisional figures for registered trade in goods in Malta are showing a deficit of €332.4 million as opposed to a deficit of €493.4 million in the corresponding month of 2023.



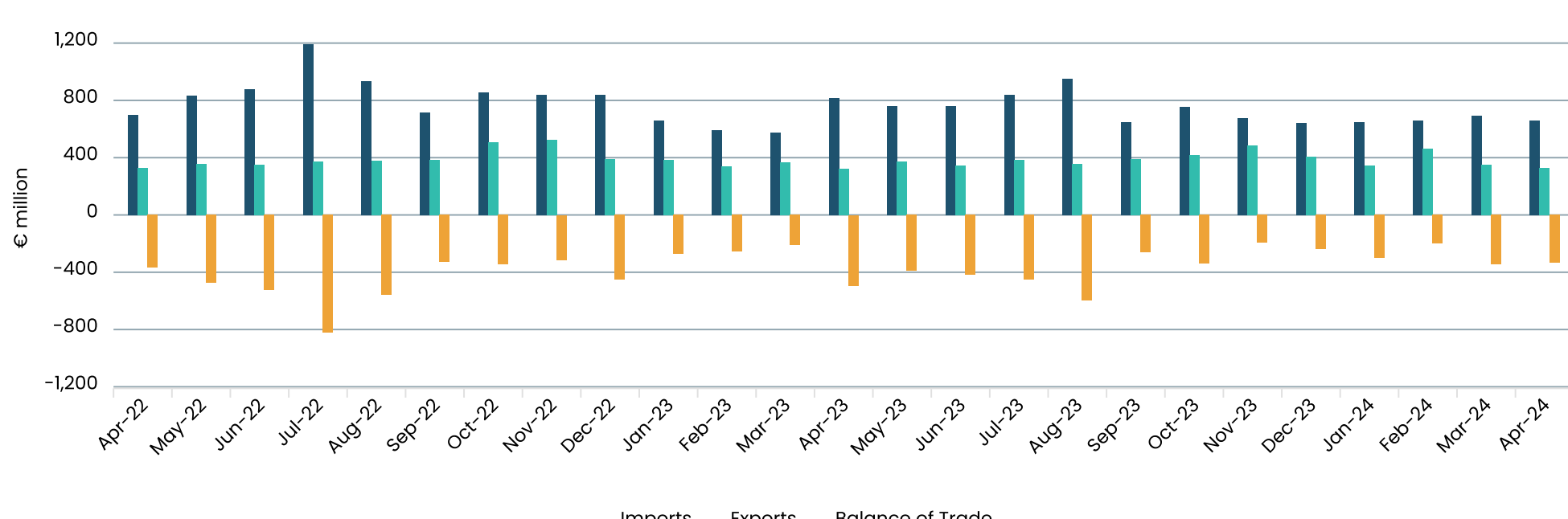
Total Trade in Goods: April 2024

Data in this news release presents all international trade in goods registered up to the indicated cut-off date. Provisional data recorded a total trade in goods deficit of €332.4 million during April, compared to a deficit of €493.4 million in the corresponding month of 2023. Imports amounted to €661.6 million, while exports totalled €329.2 million. This represents a decline of €152.0 million in imports and an increase of €9.0 million in exports over the same month of the previous year (Table 1). The main decrease in imports was primarily due to Machinery and transport equipment (€143.3 million). On the exports side, the main increase was registered in Miscellaneous manufactured articles (€19.0 million), partly offset by a decrease in Machinery and transport equipment (€8.0 million) (Table 3).

Total Trade in Goods: January-April 2024

During the first four months of the year, the deficit narrowed by €52.7 million when compared to the corresponding period of 2023, reaching €1,179.1 million. Imports stood at €2,666.7 million whereas exports reached €1,487.6 million, representing increases of €25.0 million and €77.7 million, respectively (Table 1). Higher imports were mainly recorded in Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€100.2 million), and Chemicals (€35.0 million), partly offset by decreases in Machinery and transport equipment (€63.7 million), and Semi-manufactured goods (€58.3 million). On the exports side, the main increases were registered in Machinery and transport equipment (€100.4 million), and Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€29.4 million), partly offset by decreases in Miscellaneous manufactured articles (€24.8 million), and Food (€23.7 million) (Table 3).

Chart 1. International Trade in Goods: Monthly



Goods were imported mainly from the European Union (57.4 per cent) and Asia (22.4 per cent), while exports were mostly directed to the European Union (34.5 per cent) and North and Central America (12.7 per cent). The highest increase in imports was recorded from Italy (€89.3 million), while imports from the United Kingdom registered the largest drop (€66.2 million). Exports to the United States of America registered the highest increase (€138.0 million), while those to Germany experienced the largest decrease (€14.8 million) (Table 4).

Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹: April 2024

In April, the deficit of trade in goods excluding specific chapters amounted to €196.0 million, compared to a deficit of €220.8 million recorded in the same month of 2023. Imports and exports amounted to €424.0 million and €228.0 million, respectively, thus representing a decrease of 4.3 per cent in imports and an increase of 2.6 per cent in exports over the corresponding month of the previous year (Table 1).

Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹: January-April 2024

During the first four months of 2024, the deficit of trade in goods excluding specific chapters widened by €117.3 million when compared to the same period of 2023, reaching €846.7 million. Imports increased by 2.1 per cent, while exports decreased by 8.4 per cent, reaching €1,730.5 million and €883.8 million, respectively (Table 1).

Chart 2. Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹ - Monthly

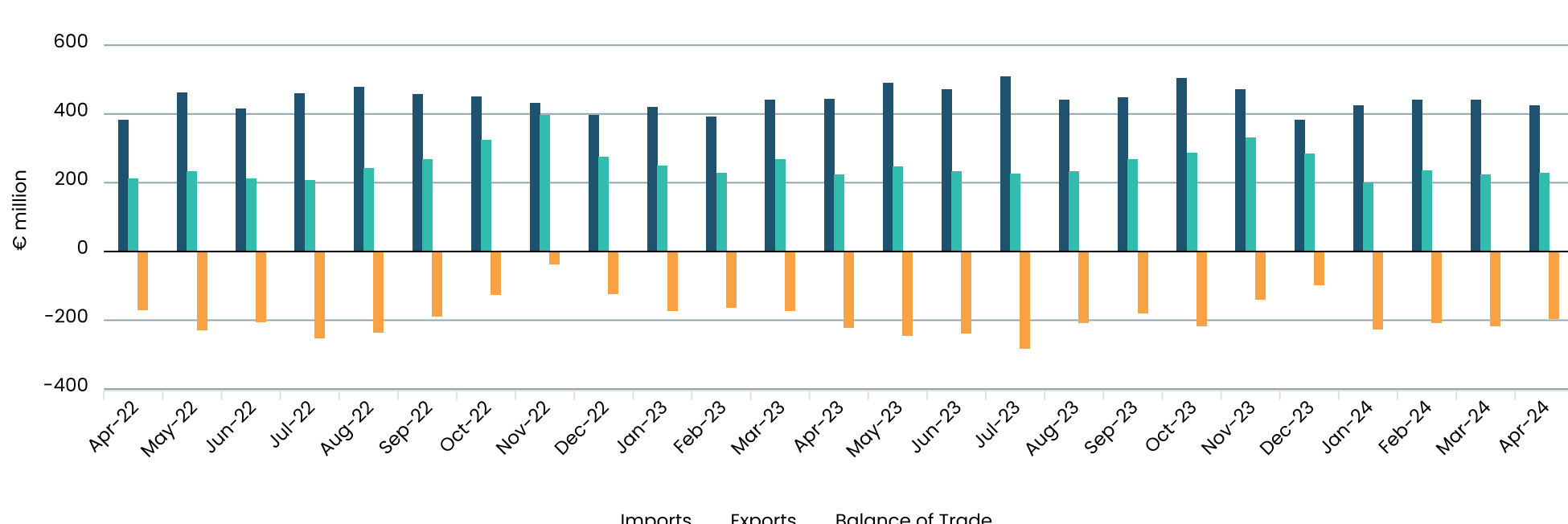


Chart 3. Percentage change of Trade in Goods

Over the corresponding month of the previous year



Chart 4. Percentage distribution of total Trade in Goods by major commodity group

April 2024

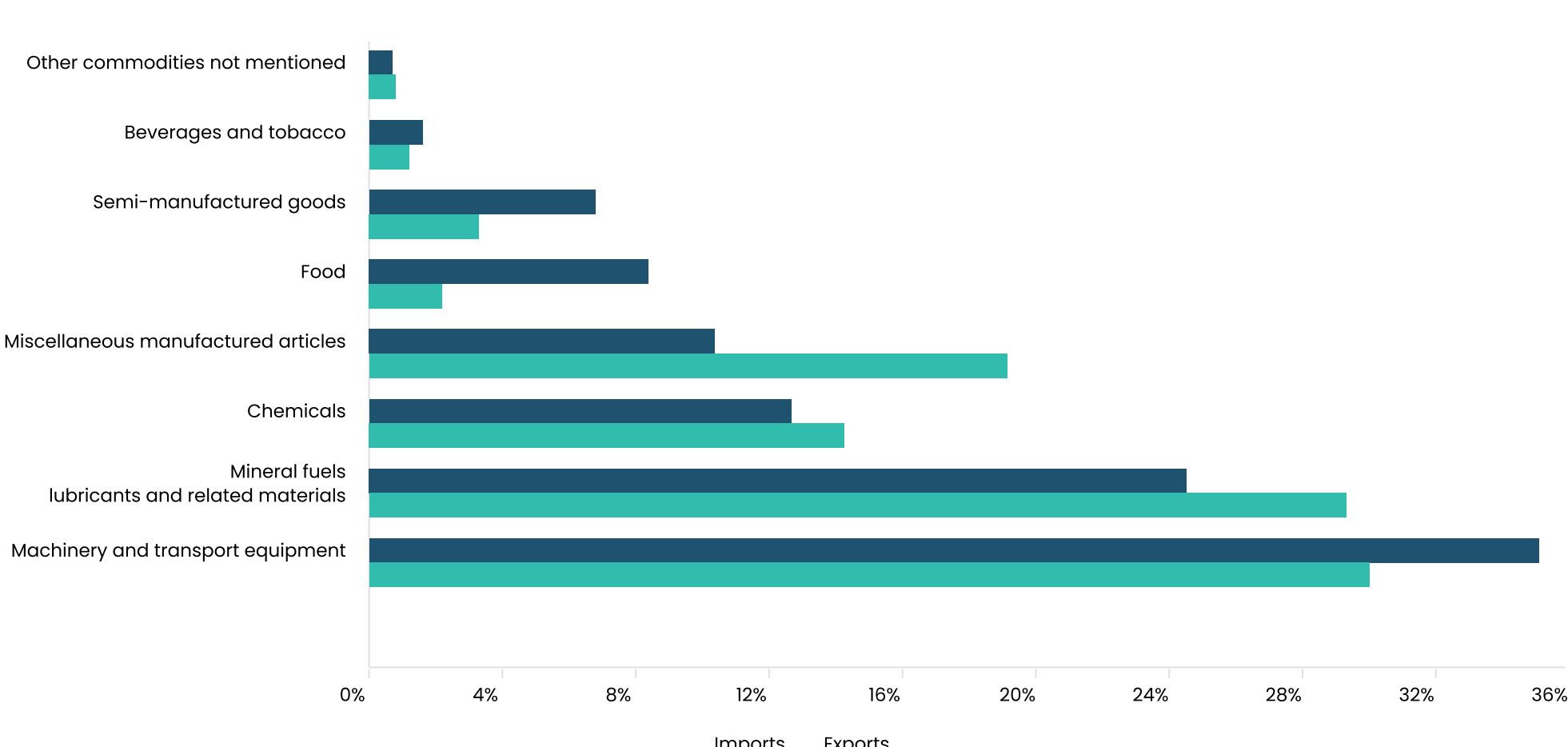
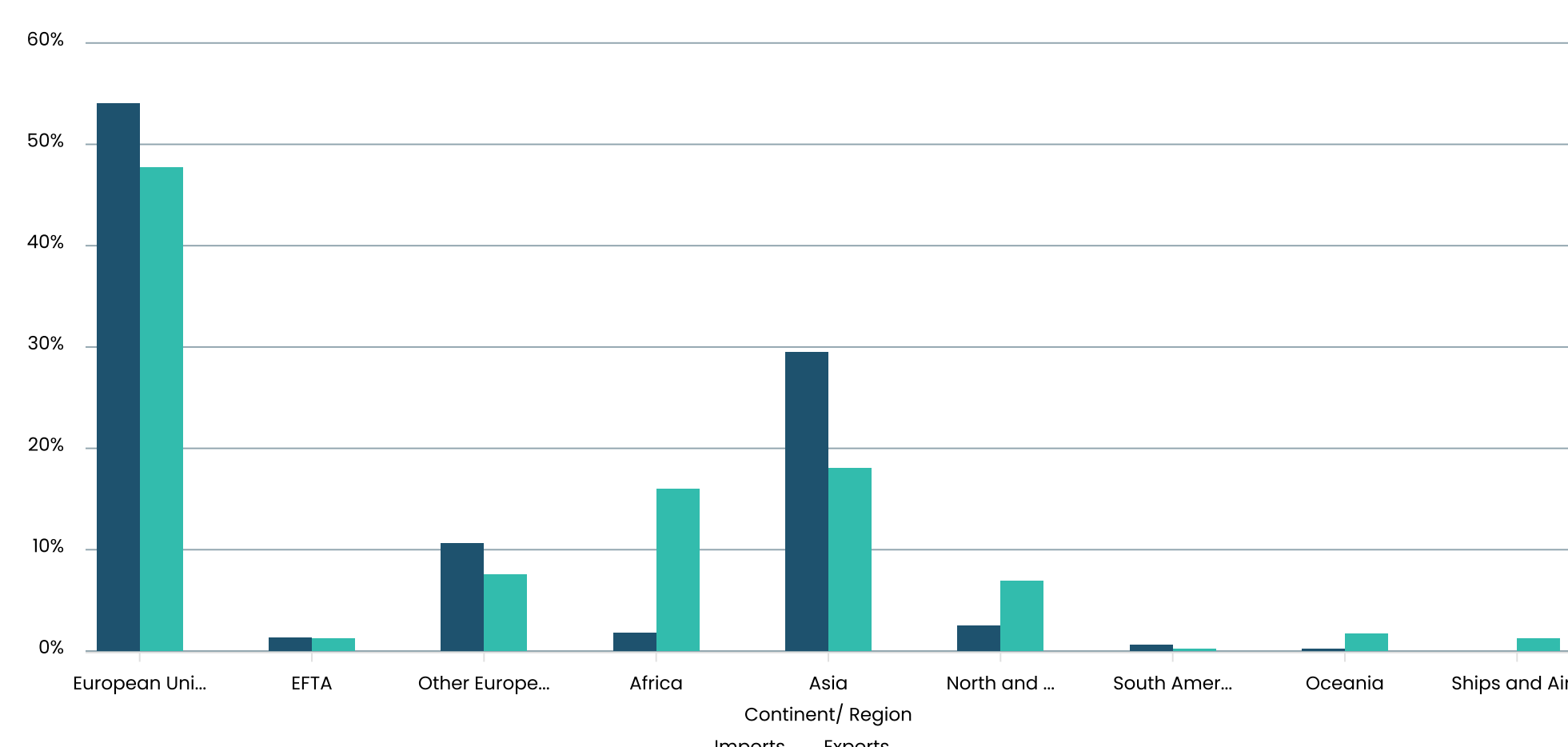


Chart 5. Percentage distribution of Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹ by continent/region

April 2024



¹ Data excluding Mineral fuels, oils and products (Chapter 27), Aircrafts/spacecrafts and parts thereof (Chapter 88) and Ships, boats and floating structures (Chapter 89). See methodological note 8.

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 1. Trade in Goods by period and trade flow

€ million

Trade flow	2022 ^P	2023 ^P	percentage change ¹	April			January-April		
				2023 ^P	2024 ^P	percentage change ¹	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	percentage change ¹
Imports	9,534.8	8,676.4	-9.0	813.5	661.6	-18.7	2,641.7	2,666.7	0.9
Imports excluding specific chapters ²	5,028.9	5,404.2	7.5	443.0	424.0	-4.3	1,694.7	1,730.5	2.1
Exports	4,684.5	4,558.2	-2.7	320.1	329.2	2.8	1,409.9	1,487.6	5.5
Exports excluding specific chapters ²	3,078.3	3,069.6	-0.3	222.2	228.0	2.6	965.3	883.8	-8.4
Balance of Trade	-4,850.4	-4,118.2	15.1	-493.4	-332.4	32.6	-1,231.8	-1,179.1	4.3
Balance of Trade excluding specific chapters ²	-1,950.6	-2,334.6	-19.7	-220.8	-196.0	11.3	-729.4	-846.7	-16.1

^P Provisional¹ For calculation of Balance of Trade percentage change refer to methodological note 12.² Data excluding chapters 27, 88 and 89. Refer to methodological note 8.

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 2. Total Trade in Goods by period and Broad Economic Category (BEC)

€ million

Broad Economic Category (BEC)	2022 ^P	2023 ^P	April		January-April	
			2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Imports	9,534.8	8,676.4	813.5	661.6	2,641.7	2,666.7
Industrial supplies	2,244.1	2,359.6	202.0	182.6	710.3	797.3
Primary	196.1	204.8	6.4	4.5	26.3	28.1
Semi-finished	1,906.4	1,976.5	177.5	167.2	631.7	683.6
Finished	141.6	178.4	18.1	11.0	52.4	85.6
Capital goods and others	2,735.4	2,121.2	294.6	144.2	637.6	494.6
Consumer goods	1,983.1	2,189.9	167.6	185.6	676.4	733.5
Food and beverages	710.2	799.5	57.6	58.7	233.4	238.8
Durable goods	721.2	796.1	63.0	64.3	249.9	259.0
Others	551.7	594.3	47.0	62.6	193.1	235.8
Fuels and lubricants	2,572.2	2,005.7	149.3	149.1	617.4	641.3
Exports	4,684.5	4,558.2	320.1	329.2	1,409.9	1,487.6
Industrial supplies	1,647.2	1,715.6	135.3	120.6	538.0	528.5
Primary	31.1	31.1	2.9	2.2	11.3	8.3
Semi-finished	1,534.5	1,591.3	125.0	111.8	498.1	478.2
Finished	81.6	93.1	7.4	6.6	28.6	41.9
Capital goods and others	341.3	377.1	23.6	26.8	111.6	227.2
Consumer goods	1,160.1	1,118.2	67.7	85.3	335.3	321.8
Food and beverages	406.4	336.4	7.9	8.5	67.0	41.6
Durable goods	236.7	230.6	15.2	25.8	77.5	92.3
Others	517.0	551.2	44.6	51.0	190.8	187.9
Fuels and lubricants	1,535.9	1,347.3	93.4	96.5	425.0	410.1
Balance of Trade	-4,850.4	-4,118.2	-493.4	-332.4	-1,231.8	-1,179.1

^P Provisional

Notes:

- Table 2 is based on the United Nations' Statistical Division Broad Economic Categories (BEC) codes. Figures for 'Fuels and Lubricants' refer to 'Fuels and Lubricants, primary' (BEC 0031) and 'Fuels and Lubricants, processed' (BEC 0032). Refer to methodological note 13.
- Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 2a. Total Trade in Goods by quarter and Broad Economic Category (BEC)

€ million

Broad Economic Category (BEC)	2023				2024
	Q1 ^P	Q2 ^P	Q3 ^P	Q4 ^P	Q1 ^P
Imports	1,828.2	2,334.2	2,440.6	2,073.4	2,005.1
Industrial supplies	508.4	614.2	622.3	614.8	614.7
Primary	19.9	60.7	83.6	40.6	23.7
Semi-finished	454.2	496.7	485.1	540.5	516.4
Finished	34.2	56.8	53.5	33.8	74.7
Capital goods and others	342.9	698.4	714.4	365.5	350.3
Consumer goods	508.8	562.6	563.1	555.3	547.9
Food and beverages	175.8	196.7	219.1	208.0	180.1
Durable goods	186.9	212.9	189.6	206.7	194.7
Others	146.1	153.0	154.5	140.7	173.2
Fuels and lubricants	468.0	459.0	540.9	537.7	492.2
Exports	1,089.8	1,033.8	1,129.2	1,305.4	1,158.4
Industrial supplies	402.6	423.3	431.6	458.1	407.9
Primary	8.5	9.0	4.9	8.8	6.1
Semi-finished	373.0	386.4	402.7	429.1	366.4
Finished	21.1	27.9	24.0	20.1	35.4
Capital goods and others	88.0	81.7	133.0	74.5	200.4
Consumer goods	267.6	224.3	237.1	389.2	236.5
Food and beverages	59.1	29.6	45.9	201.8	33.1
Durable goods	62.3	55.7	58.6	54.0	66.5
Others	146.2	139.0	132.7	133.4	136.9
Fuels and lubricants	331.6	304.5	327.5	383.7	313.6
Balance of Trade	-738.4	-1,300.5	-1,311.4	-768.0	-846.7

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Notes:

1. Table 2a is based on the United Nations' Statistical Division Broad Economic Categories (BEC) codes. Figures for 'Fuels and Lubricants' refer to 'Fuels and Lubricants, primary' (BEC 0031) and 'Fuels and Lubricants, processed' (BEC 0032). Refer to methodological note 13.

2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 3. Total Trade in Goods by period and major commodity group

€ million

Major commodity group ¹	2022 ^P	2023 ^P	April		January-April	
			2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Imports	9,534.8	8,676.4	813.5	661.6	2,641.7	2,666.7
Food	810.4	917.5	56.3	55.4	231.5	238.5
Beverages and tobacco	136.8	145.8	11.0	10.3	42.8	39.5
Crude materials	46.9	44.0	3.7	3.4	13.0	13.3
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	2,573.2	2,065.1	151.2	162.3	620.9	721.1
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	17.0	15.1	1.1	1.1	4.5	4.9
Chemicals	926.2	863.6	66.1	83.8	278.4	313.4
Semi-manufactured goods	658.8	658.3	80.8	44.7	244.4	186.1
Machinery and transport equipment	3,599.7	3,145.1	375.6	232.3	945.2	881.5
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	761.4	818.3	67.5	68.2	259.6	267.6
Miscellaneous transactions and commodities	4.5	3.7	0.2	0.1	1.4	0.7
Exports	4,684.5	4,558.2	320.1	329.2	1,409.9	1,487.6
Food	388.1	317.0	5.6	7.0	59.2	35.5
Beverages and tobacco	36.2	48.6	5.2	3.7	15.7	10.4
Crude materials	30.8	28.8	2.9	2.2	11.4	8.4
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1,535.9	1,353.4	93.4	96.5	425.0	454.4
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	3.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Chemicals	572.2	537.3	50.4	46.8	172.5	182.1
Semi-manufactured goods	168.6	148.8	11.6	10.8	50.0	45.5
Machinery and transport equipment	1,249.8	1,406.9	106.9	98.9	434.8	535.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	695.9	713.9	44.0	63.0	239.7	214.8
Miscellaneous transactions and commodities	3.7	3.0	0.2	0.2	1.5	1.1
Balance of Trade	-4,850.4	-4,118.2	-493.4	-332.4	-1,231.8	-1,179.1
Food	-422.4	-600.5	-50.7	-48.4	-172.2	-203.0
Beverages and tobacco	-100.6	-97.2	-5.8	-6.6	-27.1	-29.1
Crude materials	-16.0	-15.2	-0.8	-1.2	-1.6	-4.9
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-1,037.3	-711.7	-57.8	-65.9	-195.9	-266.7
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	-13.8	-14.7	-1.1	-1.1	-4.4	-4.9
Chemicals	-353.9	-326.2	-15.6	-36.9	-106.0	-131.3
Semi-manufactured goods	-490.2	-509.5	-69.3	-33.9	-194.4	-140.6
Machinery and transport equipment	-2,349.9	-1,738.2	-268.7	-133.3	-510.4	-346.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	-65.4	-104.4	-23.6	-5.2	-20.0	-52.7
Miscellaneous transactions and commodities	-0.9	-0.7	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4

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¹ The commodity grouping is in accordance with the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) Rev. 4. Refer to methodological note 13

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 4. Direction of total Trade in Goods by period and continent/region/country

€ million

Continent/Region/Country	April						January-April					
	2023 ^P			2024 ^P			2023 ^P			2024 ^P		
	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade
Europe	453.6	154.6	-299.1	432.3	144.2	-288.2	1,659.1	608.4	-1,050.7	1,822.9	617.0	-1,206.0
<i>of which:</i>												
European Union	376.8	127.9	-248.9	350.8	121.8	-229.0	1,337.1	523.0	-814.1	1,531.0	512.6	-1,018.5
<i>of which:</i>												
Euro area	363.9	102.5	-261.4	339.8	99.0	-240.8	1,263.5	434.4	-829.1	1,451.6	425.8	-1,025.7
<i>of which:</i>												
Italy	141.0	14.9	-126.1	162.5	11.4	-151.1	509.5	57.5	-452.0	598.8	53.7	-545.2
Spain	42.0	3.2	-38.8	53.0	2.8	-50.2	163.8	19.9	-143.9	243.4	12.1	-231.3
France	85.9	7.0	-79.0	37.2	5.8	-31.3	211.6	22.7	-188.9	169.3	20.7	-148.6
Germany	32.2	65.1	32.9	32.1	65.3	33.2	145.1	276.2	131.2	155.8	261.4	105.6
Netherlands	21.0	3.8	-17.3	23.2	4.1	-19.1	93.8	16.7	-77.0	92.9	17.1	-75.8
Belgium	7.7	1.7	-5.9	11.6	2.0	-9.5	35.0	6.3	-28.7	40.0	8.8	-31.1
EFTA Countries	4.8	3.3	-1.5	5.2	2.6	-2.5	23.3	21.8	-1.6	14.1	16.0	1.9
<i>of which:</i>												
Switzerland	4.3	3.0	-1.3	5.1	2.4	-2.7	21.5	11.0	-10.5	13.7	13.5	-0.2
Other European Countries	72.1	23.4	-48.7	76.3	19.7	-56.6	298.7	63.7	-235.0	277.8	88.4	-189.4
<i>of which:</i>												
United Kingdom	34.7	8.9	-25.9	47.2	8.5	-38.7	198.5	36.1	-162.5	132.4	40.3	-92.1
Turkey	18.4	14.4	-4.0	27.7	6.5	-21.1	68.8	25.0	-43.9	121.1	13.2	-107.9
Africa	16.7	19.7	3.0	38.1	36.6	-1.5	119.0	102.5	-16.5	95.2	103.2	8.0
<i>of which:</i>												
Tunisia	3.0	2.3	-0.6	16.1	2.9	-13.2	29.2	9.8	-19.4	47.2	11.5	-35.7
Asia	162.8	40.7	-122.1	148.0	41.0	-107.0	573.0	221.2	-351.8	597.7	170.1	-427.6
<i>of which:</i>												
Israel	18.6	0.7	-17.9	35.7	0.8	-34.9	51.4	1.4	-50.0	42.8	2.5	-40.2
China	27.6	1.9	-25.7	30.6	2.6	-28.0	122.8	9.5	-113.3	125.7	8.8	-116.9
India	17.7	3.2	-14.5	24.9	2.3	-22.6	71.8	13.3	-58.5	97.4	11.9	-85.5
Taiwan	8.8	0.5	-8.2	14.8	0.9	-13.9	35.4	2.9	-32.5	52.9	3.7	-49.1
South Korea	16.1	1.5	-14.6	12.8	4.2	-8.6	70.7	17.5	-53.2	64.1	8.8	-55.3
North and Central America	177.8	12.1	-165.7	37.0	17.2	-19.8	282.2	50.4	-231.8	136.6	188.6	52.0
<i>of which:</i>												
Trinidad & Tobago	24.9	-	-24.9	25.4	-	-25.4	24.9	-	-24.9	51.0	-	-51.0
United States Of America	66.0	8.3	-57.7	8.5	12.6	4.1	121.7	36.2	-85.5	70.2	174.2	104.0
South America	1.9	5.7	3.9	5.4	0.4	-5.1	6.2	12.4	6.1	11.4	1.9	-9.5
Oceania	0.8	1.9	1.1	0.6	3.8	3.2	2.2	8.8	6.6	2.8	15.3	12.5
Ships and Aircraft Stores	-	85.4	85.4	-	85.9	85.9	-	406.2	406.2	-	391.5	391.5
Grand Total	813.5	320.1	-493.4	661.6	329.2	-332.4	2,641.7	1,409.9	-1,231.8	2,666.7	1,487.6	-1,179.1

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Notes:

1. The selection of countries is based on the highest values of imports in the month under review.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 4a. Total imports by period and region/country

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Region/Country	April		January-April	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
European Union				
Austria	1,543	1,612	8,793	6,127
Belgium	7,674	11,555	35,021	39,961
Bulgaria	859	810	5,263	5,728
Croatia (Hrvatska)	325	1,178	5,426	15,125
Cyprus	1,426	1,160	3,557	3,413
Czech Republic (Czechia)	1,903	1,639	7,157	6,372
Denmark	3,848	2,050	11,887	10,427
Estonia (Eesti)	229	133	951	850
Finland (Suomi)	1,233	487	4,075	2,151
France	85,940	37,172	211,613	169,259
Germany	32,178	32,054	145,061	155,821
Greece	20,334	6,020	47,003	69,811
Hungary (Magyarország)	857	1,233	5,067	4,531
Ireland	5,205	4,676	17,251	36,901
Italy	140,989	162,540	509,483	598,828
Latvia (Latvija)	415	236	1,927	1,438
Lithuania (Lietuva)	142	234	1,175	1,160
Luxembourg	73	268	553	715
Netherlands	21,023	23,209	93,759	92,859
Northern Ireland ¹	176	141	728	605
Poland (Polska)	3,105	2,559	14,628	13,007
Portugal	1,548	1,752	6,000	8,369
Romania	811	867	15,109	4,925
Slovakia (Slovensko)	697	242	2,999	1,365
Slovenia (Slovenija)	940	2,235	5,050	4,033
Spain	41,992	53,027	163,847	243,387
Stores & Provisions - Intra Community Trade	-	-	-	-
Sweden	1,302	1,741	13,690	33,882
Total European Union	376,768	350,831	1,337,070	1,531,049
Total Euro Area	363,908	339,789	1,263,542	1,451,571

European Free Trade Area (EFTA)				
Iceland	0	12	25	14
Liechtenstein	0	0	5	20
Norway	419	33	1,836	353
Switzerland	4,335	5,136	21,473	13,666
Total European Free Trade Area	4,754	5,182	23,339	14,053
Other European Countries				
Albania (Shqiperia)	476	462	1,416	1,061
Andorra	-	0	6	2
Armenia (Hayastan)	-	8	8	15
Azerbaijan	12,113	0	12,179	17,448
Belarus	20	19	21	20
Bosnia - Herzegovina	166	20	298	97
Faroe Islands (Far Oer)	-	-	-	-
Georgia (Sakartvelo)	5,454	0	14,420	1,616
Gibraltar	0	5	5	8
Kosovo	58	60	117	201
Moldova	1	1	4	2
Montenegro (Crna Gora)	31	0	111	108
Republic of Northern Macedonia	52	64	228	267
Russian Federation	5	5	29	39
San Marino	152	93	457	157
Serbia	219	254	994	1,370
Turkey	18,379	27,651	68,802	121,104
Ukraine	281	451	1,076	1,946
United Kingdom	34,707	47,229	198,543	132,376
Vatican City	2	1	3	5
Total Other European Countries	72,116	76,322	298,716	277,841
Africa				
Algeria	69	5,345	43,031	18,468
Angola	-	-	-	-
Benin	-	-	0	0
Botswana	-	0	-	0
Bouvet Island	-	-	-	-
British Indian Ocean Territory	-	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	-	1	0	1
Burundi	0	-	0	-

Cameroon	0	-	200	-
Cape Verde	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic	-	-	-	-
Ceuta	-	-	-	0
Chad	-	-	-	-
Comoros	-	-	-	-
Congo	-	-	0	-
Congo Democratic Republic (Ex-Zaire)	-	-	-	-
Cote D'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)	0	46	0	46
Djibouti	-	-	-	-
Egypt	2,467	3,461	10,778	13,666
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	-
Eritrea	-	-	-	-
Ethiopia	1	0	1	0
Eswatini (Swaziland)	0	3	5	6
Gabon	-	42	-	78
Gambia	-	-	0	0
Ghana	0	0	5	4
Guinea	-	-	1	-
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	-
Kenya	30	13	68	18
Lesotho	-	-	-	-
Liberia	-	-	-	1
Libya	10,181	12,517	32,003	12,527
Madagascar	0	0	4	5
Malawi	56	-	56	52
Mali	0	-	0	0
Mauritania	-	-	0	-
Mauritius	459	3	1,519	398
Melilla	-	-	-	-
Morocco	145	160	1,287	1,719
Mozambique	-	-	-	-
Namibia	-	142	-	142
Niger	0	-	0	-
Nigeria	5	5	7	56
Rwanda	-	-	0	-
Sao Tome & Principe	-	-	-	-
Senegal	24	17	107	90
Seychelles	110	-	110	-
Sierra Leone	-	-	-	-
Somalia	-	-	-	-
South Africa	190	308	519	679

South Sudan	-	-	-	-
St. Helena	-	-	-	-
Sudan	0	-	0	-
Tanzania	0	-	0	0
Togo	0	-	81	-
Tunisia	2,981	16,066	29,181	47,230
Uganda	-	0	11	0
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-
Zambia	-	-	0	0
Zimbabwe	-	0	0	0
Total Africa	16,721	38,128	118,976	95,187
Asia				
Afghanistan	-	0	-	0
Bahrain	154	1	155	87
Bangladesh	329	387	1,295	1,199
Bhutan	-	-	-	-
Brunei (Darussalam)	-	1	-	1
Cambodia	384	378	945	736
China	27,588	30,631	122,753	125,700
East Timor	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	1,936	1,494	5,571	12,255
India	17,722	24,881	71,808	97,379
Indonesia	28,225	1,243	29,812	3,814
Iran (Islamic Republic)	0	0	14	0
Iraq	-	13	0	13,367
Israel	18,582	35,651	51,418	42,783
Japan	10,654	8,241	39,115	28,517
Jordan	0	0	117	291
Kazakhstan	2,348	1	31,995	37,527
Kuwait	2	0	5	6
Kyrgyz Republic	-	-	0	259
Laos	-	0	0	0
Lebanon	177	364	468	1,023
Macao	1	1	3	2
Malaysia	4,036	1,408	11,801	12,136
Maldives	3	0	3	0
Mongolia	-	-	1	-
Myanmar	31	17	76	36
Nepal	5	4	7	10
North Korea	-	-	-	-
Oman	-	1,053	246	7,798
Pakistan	324	246	1,317	1,066

Palestine	41	-	53	2
Philippines	2,227	2,483	12,108	10,800
Qatar	583	278	1,859	724
Saudi Arabia	191	323	14,162	28,816
Singapore	2,923	3,815	13,247	12,915
South Korea	16,120	12,755	70,705	64,113
Sri Lanka	127	53	534	3,156
Syria	0	-	0	4
Taiwan	8,766	14,831	35,363	52,867
Tajikistan	-	-	-	-
Thailand	2,667	2,087	8,394	8,765
Turkmenistan	9,517	-	27,643	11,479
United Arab Emirates	3,624	516	6,164	3,713
Uzbekistan	-	5	6	192
Vietnam	3,534	4,877	13,793	14,198
Yemen Arab Republic	-	-	-	-
Total Asia	162,818	148,040	572,953	597,735
North and Central America				
Anguilla	-	-	-	-
Antigua & Barbuda	-	-	-	0
Aruba	-	-	-	-
Bahamas	30,700	-	30,700	-
Barbados	-	-	-	0
Belize	-	-	-	-
Bermuda	-	-	0	1
Bonaire, St. Eustatius & Saba	-	-	-	-
Canada	5,637	1,865	52,703	6,767
Cayman Islands	-	1	-	1
Costa Rica	241	564	1,062	1,903
Cuba	1	-	15	16
Curacao	0	0	0	0
Dominica	-	-	0	-
Dominican Republic	0	248	301	318
El Salvador	0	-	0	2
Greenland	-	-	-	-
Grenada	-	-	-	-
Guatemala	3	0	17	7
Haiti	-	-	-	0
Honduras	-	0	26	1
Jamaica	-	-	3	0
Mexico	90	393	563	888
Montserrat	-	-	-	-

Nicaragua	-	-	-	18
Panama	0	-	6	1
Sint Maarten	-	-	-	0
St. Barthelemy	-	-	-	-
St. Kitts & Nevis	-	-	-	5,000
St. Lucia	-	-	-	-
St. Pierre & Miquelon	-	-	-	-
St. Vincent	-	-	-	-
Trinidad & Tobago	24,925	25,408	24,925	51,045
Turks & Caicos Islands	-	-	-	-
United States Of America	66,025	8,522	121,733	70,203
Virgin Islands (American)	-	-	-	-
Virgin Islands Tortola (British)	50,130	-	50,130	440
Total North and Central America	177,753	37,001	282,186	136,610
South America				
Argentina	27	85	214	280
Bolivia	0	-	0	-
Brazil	867	4,616	2,800	8,091
Chile	296	205	629	603
Colombia	100	16	110	125
Ecuador	496	474	2,124	2,127
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	-	-	-	-
Guyana	-	-	-	-
Paraguay	-	-	19	14
Peru	1	0	109	3
Surinam	-	-	-	-
Uruguay	66	50	223	176
Venezuela	-	0	0	3
Total South America	1,853	5,446	6,229	11,422
Oceania				
American Samoa	-	-	-	-
Antarctica	-	-	-	-
Australia	240	374	1,088	2,181
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-
Cocos Island	-	-	-	-
Cook Island	-	-	-	-
Fiji	-	-	0	0
French Southern Territories	-	-	-	-
Guam	-	-	-	-
Heard & Mcdonald Islands	-	-	-	-
Kiribati	-	-	-	-

Mariana Islands (Northern)	-	-	-	-
Marshall Island	-	-	-	-
Micronesia	-	-	-	-
Nauru	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	492	228	1,099	617
Niue	-	-	-	-
Norfolk Island	-	-	-	-
Palau	-	-	-	-
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-
Pitcairn	-	-	-	-
Samoa	-	-	-	-
Solomon Islands	-	-	-	-
South Georgia & The South Sandwich	-	-	-	-
Tahiti French Polynesia	27	-	41	0
Tokelau	-	-	-	-
Tonga	-	-	-	-
Tuvalu	-	-	-	-
United States Minor Outlying Islands	-	-	-	-
Vanuatu	0	-	0	0
Wallis & Futuna	-	-	-	-
Total Oceania	759	602	2,228	2,799
Ships and Aircrafts Stores				
Countries and Territories Not Specified - Ext Trade	-	-	-	-
Countries not specified for Comm or Mil Reasons - Ext Trade	-	-	-	-
High Seas	-	-	-	-
Stores and Provisions - Extra Community Trade	-	-	-	-
Total Ships and Aircrafts Stores	-	-	-	-
Grand Total	813,542	661,552	2,641,698	2,666,696

^p Provisional

¹ Northern Ireland is considered as an EU country for the purpose of Trade. See methodological note 7 (iii).

Notes:

1. Totals may not add up due to rounding.
2. Values in Table 4a are represented in thousands.

Table 4b. Total exports by period and region/country

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Region/Country	April		January-April	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
European Union				
Austria	2,867	1,744	12,464	8,916
Belgium	1,742	2,014	6,334	8,824
Bulgaria	588	581	1,973	3,172
Croatia (Hrvatska)	230	968	1,149	1,688
Cyprus	24	88	316	1,100
Czech Republic (Czechia)	1,897	852	5,660	5,949
Denmark	100	160	679	2,835
Estonia (Eesti)	300	2	327	85
Finland (Suomi)	496	407	2,088	2,505
France	6,951	5,828	22,673	20,657
Germany	65,100	65,264	276,222	261,416
Greece	459	695	3,791	21,264
Hungary (Magyarország)	4,898	2,270	18,688	13,078
Ireland	292	154	1,293	753
Italy	14,870	11,396	57,529	53,661
Latvia (Latvija)	22	3	164	928
Lithuania (Lietuva)	260	634	1,246	2,638
Luxembourg	62	36	152	191
Netherlands	3,764	4,135	16,746	17,099
Northern Ireland ¹	-	-	-	-
Poland (Polska)	4,594	4,207	15,514	16,171
Portugal	1,403	1,437	7,250	7,858
Romania	525	1,103	3,909	5,453
Slovakia (Slovensko)	336	1,101	4,089	3,320
Slovenia (Slovenija)	167	257	654	858
Spain	3,178	2,788	19,946	12,076
Stores & Provisions - Intra Community Trade	11,645	12,244	36,556	33,894
Sweden	1,096	1,422	5,537	6,178
Total European Union	127,865	121,791	522,951	512,568
Total Euro Area	102,521	98,952	434,436	425,836
European Free Trade Area (EFTA)				
Iceland	4	33	8,587	381
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-
Norway	274	218	2,167	2,129
Switzerland	3,001	2,388	11,022	13,490

Total European Free Trade Area (EFTA)	3,279	2,639	21,776	15,999
Other European Countries				
Albania (Shqiperia)	41	2,597	372	2,789
Andorra	2	-	2	1
Armenia (Hayastan)	-	-	3	-
Azerbaijan	-	-	2	-
Belarus	-	-	-	-
Bosnia - Herzegovina	71	4	111	10
Faroe Islands (Far Oer)	-	-	-	-
Georgia (Sakartvelo)	2	927	151	1,289
Gibraltar	11	0	211	27,890
Kosovo	2	2	14	72
Moldova	7	-	40	129
Montenegro (Crna Gora)	34	4	39	16
Republic of Northern Macedonia	1	90	53	266
Russian Federation	-	-	146	4
San Marino	-	-	-	-
Serbia	25	914	556	1,335
Turkey	14,354	6,521	24,952	13,220
Ukraine	21	159	994	1,130
United Kingdom	8,853	8,528	36,056	40,272
Vatican City	-	-	-	-
Total Other European Countries	23,423	19,745	63,702	88,424
Africa				
Algeria	2,865	-	4,552	4,141
Angola	-	2,142	2,849	5,738
Benin	-	76	-	76
Botswana	-	-	128	-
Bouvet Island	-	-	-	-
British Indian Ocean Territory	-	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	-	17	-	85
Burundi	-	4,547	19	4,547
Cameroon	-	147	465	723
Cape Verde	105	106	842	306
Central African Republic	-	-	100	116
Ceuta	-	2	-	9
Chad	-	51	-	51

Comoros	-	-	-	-
Congo	-	127	243	581
Congo Democratic Republic (Ex-Zaire)	-	107	6,385	340
Cote D'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)	0	-	8	-
Djibouti	226	35	226	68
Egypt	779	1,378	5,784	6,590
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	745
Eritrea	-	-	-	-
Ethiopia	-	-	-	-
Eswatini (Swaziland)	-	-	-	517
Gabon	-	-	19	0
Gambia	-	823	2,540	1,248
Ghana	1,947	823	13,963	4,810
Guinea	-	-	42	59
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	105	112
Kenya	353	270	953	1,627
Lesotho	-	-	541	682
Liberia	107	103	613	635
Libya	4,053	5,907	12,268	13,619
Madagascar	1,209	-	2,314	-
Malawi	-	-	-	-
Mali	-	218	84	218
Mauritania	52	-	66	127
Mauritius	25	5	216	267
Melilla	-	-	-	-
Morocco	876	6,971	4,401	14,282
Mozambique	-	-	-	6,969
Namibia	70	5	1,504	14
Niger	-	-	142	24
Nigeria	1,056	2,048	8,048	5,798
Rwanda	692	-	809	3
Sao Tome & Principe	-	-	43	-
Senegal	258	292	464	742
Seychelles	-	23	42	23
Sierra Leone	1,582	28	1,582	244
Somalia	-	102	-	159
South Africa	192	1,874	1,973	4,542
South Sudan	643	595	1,277	1,457
St. Helena	-	-	-	-
Sudan	-	85	6,918	85

Tanzania	260	196	1,471	909
Togo	-	131	1	261
Tunisia	2,342	2,855	9,756	11,520
Uganda	-	4,499	8,733	8,085
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-
Zambia	5	-	5	-
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-
Total Africa	19,698	36,587	102,493	103,154
Asia				
Afghanistan	-	-	-	-
Bahrain	66	199	1,220	1,397
Bangladesh	-	501	130	1,280
Bhutan	-	-	-	-
Brunei (Darussalam)	-	-	47	-
Cambodia	-	-	-	-
China	1,933	2,603	9,490	8,801
East Timor	-	-	-	18
Hong Kong	11,861	6,103	48,855	30,799
India	3,208	2,306	13,312	11,853
Indonesia	2	-	5	123
Iran (Islamic Republic)	-	-	-	101
Iraq	-	432	549	1,420
Israel	703	774	1,374	2,539
Japan	2,275	2,767	37,512	20,578
Jordan	362	447	1,122	877
Kazakhstan	-	37	69	159
Kuwait	16	87	167	332
Kyrgyz Republic	-	-	757	757
Laos	-	-	-	-
Lebanon	74	37	11,555	196
Macao	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	1,832	703	5,544	4,729
Maldives	85	-	154	27
Mongolia	-	-	3,310	20
Myanmar	-	-	-	0
Nepal	-	-	-	-
North Korea	-	-	-	-
Oman	3	572	709	968
Pakistan	2	127	390	409
Palestine	-	-	-	-

Philippines	31	33	1,471	370
Qatar	98	3	1,582	211
Saudi Arabia	471	399	3,075	3,767
Singapore	13,120	14,095	45,081	53,806
South Korea	1,474	4,197	17,547	8,798
Sri Lanka	33	22	150	121
Syria	31	-	31	-
Taiwan	546	901	2,897	3,741
Tajikistan	-	-	-	-
Thailand	142	118	929	677
Turkmenistan	-	-	-	2
United Arab Emirates	2,217	3,444	10,091	9,854
Uzbekistan	-	2	113	8
Vietnam	5	89	1,353	1,293
Yemen Arab Republic	82	-	589	84
Total Asia	40,672	40,997	221,182	170,113
North and Central America				
Anguilla	-	-	-	-
Antigua & Barbuda	-	-	11	0
Aruba	-	-	-	-
Bahamas	-	-	27	-
Barbados	-	-	-	-
Belize	-	-	35	36
Bermuda	-	-	-	6
Bonaire, St. Eustatius & Saba	-	-	-	-
Canada	2,226	3,544	7,686	10,380
Cayman Islands	-	-	2	-
Costa Rica	44	185	56	185
Cuba	99	19	385	238
Curacao	-	-	-	-
Dominica	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	71	142	260	351
El Salvador	-	-	-	-
Greenland	-	-	-	-
Grenada	-	-	-	37
Guatemala	-	-	-	-
Haiti	-	-	-	-
Honduras	-	-	-	-
Jamaica	-	-	40	-
Mexico	1,323	783	5,661	3,072

Montserrat	-	-	-	-
Nicaragua	-	-	-	-
Panama	8	-	21	98
Sint Maarten	-	-	-	-
St. Barthelemy	-	-	-	-
St. Kitts & Nevis	-	-	-	-
St. Lucia	-	-	-	-
St. Pierre & Miquelon	-	-	-	-
St. Vincent	-	-	-	-
Trinidad & Tobago	-	-	-	-
Turks & Caicos Islands	-	-	-	2
United States Of America	8,329	12,574	36,198	174,176
Virgin Islands (American)	-	-	-	-
Virgin Islands Tortola (British)	-	-	-	-
Total North and Central America	12,101	17,247	50,383	188,581
South America				
Argentina	5,518	-	11,038	3
Bolivia	-	-	-	-
Brazil	191	31	863	388
Chile	33	270	360	1,099
Colombia	-	64	105	296
Ecuador	-	-	-	91
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	-	-	-	-
Guyana	-	-	-	-
Paraguay	-	-	-	16
Peru	-	4	-	26
Surinam	-	-	-	-
Uruguay	-	-	3	-
Venezuela	-	-	-	-
Total South America	5,742	370	12,370	1,920
Oceania				
American Samoa	-	-	-	-
Antarctica	-	-	-	-
Australia	1,419	3,608	8,136	14,282
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-
Cocos Island	-	-	-	-
Cook Island	-	-	-	-
Fiji	-	-	-	-
French Southern Territories	-	-	-	-
Guam	-	-	-	-

Heard & Mcdonald Islands	-	-	-	-
Kiribati	-	-	-	-
Mariana Islands (Northern)	-	-	-	-
Marshall Island	-	-	-	-
Micronesia	-	-	-	-
Nauru	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	485	236	706	433
Niue	-	-	-	-
Norfolk Island	-	-	-	-
Palau	-	-	-	-
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-
Pitcairn	-	-	-	-
Samoa	-	-	-	-
Solomon Islands	-	-	-	622
South Georgia & The South Sandwich	-	-	-	-
Tahiti French Polynesia	-	-	-	3
Tokelau	-	-	-	-
Tonga	-	-	-	-
Tuvalu	-	-	-	-
United States Minor Outlying Islands	-	-	-	-
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-
Wallis & Futuna	-	-	-	-
Total Oceania	1,904	3,843	8,842	15,339
Ships and Aircrafts Stores				
Countries and Territories Not Specified - External Trade	-	-	-	-
Countries not specified for Commercial or Military Reasons - External Trade	-	-	-	-
High Seas	-	-	-	102
Stores and Provisions - Extra Community Trade	85,443	85,934	406,213	391,385
Total Ships and Aircrafts Stores	85,443	85,934	406,213	391,486
Grand Total	320,127	329,154	1,409,912	1,487,584

^p Provisional

¹ Northern Ireland is considered as an EU country for the purpose of Trade. See methodological note 7 (iii).

Notes:

1. Totals may not add up due to rounding.
2. Values in Table 4b are represented in thousands.

Table 5. Direction of Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹ by period and continent/region

€ million

Continent/Region	April						January-April					
	2023 ^P			2024 ^P			2023 ^P			2024 ^P		
	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade
Europe	288.3	139.2	-149.1	278.5	128.1	-150.4	1,159.6	556.7	-602.9	1,156.5	523.0	-633.5
European Union	240.2	113.3	-126.8	228.7	108.6	-120.1	962.1	474.8	-487.3	949.4	448.6	-500.8
Euro area	227.3	97.6	-129.8	217.8	95.6	-122.3	901.5	417.8	-483.7	895.5	389.0	-506.5
EFTA countries	4.7	3.2	-1.6	5.2	2.6	-2.5	18.9	21.2	2.3	14.0	15.9	1.9
Other European countries	43.4	22.7	-20.7	44.7	16.9	-27.8	178.7	60.7	-117.9	193.1	58.4	-134.7
Africa	6.5	19.7	13.1	7.6	36.4	28.8	26.8	102.4	75.6	28.4	102.2	73.8
Asia	131.7	40.3	-91.4	125.0	41.0	-84.0	462.6	218.8	-243.8	498.2	169.5	-328.7
North and Central America	14.0	11.7	-2.2	10.2	15.6	5.4	37.3	48.6	11.3	36.5	56.8	20.3
South America	1.9	5.7	3.9	2.1	0.4	-1.8	6.2	12.4	6.1	8.1	1.9	-6.2
Oceania	0.7	1.9	1.2	0.6	3.8	3.3	2.2	8.8	6.6	2.8	15.3	12.6
Ships and Aircraft Stores	-	3.7	3.7	-	2.7	2.7	-	17.7	17.7	-	15.1	15.1
Grand Total	443.0	222.2	-220.8	424.0	228.0	-196.0	1,694.7	965.3	-729.4	1,730.5	883.8	-846.7

^P Provisional¹ Data excluding chapters 27, 88 and 89. Refer to methodological note 8.

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 6. Total Trade in Goods by period and main trade chapter

€ million

Trade chapter	Chapter description	April		January-April	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Imports					
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	151.2	162.3	620.9	721.1
85	Electrical machinery etc.	80.1	90.7	319.0	363.2
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	102.1	70.7	118.5	121.7
30	Pharmaceutical products	28.9	45.3	121.7	165.8
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	46.1	41.1	166.0	182.2
87	Vehicles (excluding trains) and parts thereof	31.5	27.4	137.9	124.4
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	17.8	17.8	74.9	69.0
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	10.9	9.5	41.7	37.1
61	Knitted clothing	8.5	9.4	32.4	39.9
94	Furniture; bedding, etc.	10.4	9.2	38.0	40.3
48	Paper and paperboard articles	10.9	8.9	56.4	36.5
29	Organic chemicals	6.7	7.8	33.8	31.3
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	8.3	7.7	31.7	28.3
19	Preparations of cereals	7.4	7.2	31.5	30.9
02	Meat and edible offal	7.4	7.1	27.4	29.6
Exports					
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	93.4	96.5	425.0	454.4
85	Electrical machinery etc.	90.3	87.3	359.3	340.3
30	Pharmaceutical products	30.7	33.2	129.3	135.3
49	Printed books, newspapers	15.8	18.0	102.4	64.6
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	7.5	12.9	38.8	39.5
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	12.5	9.9	55.5	56.2
95	Toys, games and sports requisites	7.3	9.4	37.2	37.0
29	Organic chemicals	4.3	7.5	16.6	20.3
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	6.3	7.5	24.8	26.8
40	Rubber and articles of rubber	6.9	6.8	28.9	28.5
64	Footwear, gaiters etc.and parts	3.1	6.6	14.8	19.0
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	3.2	4.3	14.4	15.6
88	Aircraft/spacecraft and parts thereof	4.5	3.7	19.5	147.4
99	Special classifications	3.2	3.4	9.9	10.4
33	Essential oils and toilet preparations	1.0	3.2	4.9	6.1

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Notes:

1. Table 6 is based on the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1998. Refer to methodological note 13.
2. Figures for Chapter 27 include 'Industrial supplies, primary' and 'Industrial supplies, processed'.
3. Totals may not add up due to rounding.
4. Data shows the top 15 chapters, sorted in descending order according to imports/exports values for the month under review.

Table 6a. Total Imports by period and trade chapter

€ 000

Trade chapter	Chapter description	April		January-April	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
01	Live animals	5	8	131	169
02	Meat and edible offal	7,366	7,087	27,415	29,551
03	Fish and crustaceans, etc.	1,589	2,023	6,978	6,402
04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs	5,718	6,886	23,616	26,486
05	Products of animal origin	11	19	54	54
06	Live trees and plants	777	646	2,442	2,372
07	Edible vegetables	2,382	2,874	10,503	11,683
08	Edible fruit and nuts	3,794	4,031	16,129	18,503
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	1,195	884	4,386	4,110
10	Cereals	3,114	2,101	14,403	18,029
11	Milling industry products	1,349	766	5,218	4,382
12	Oil seeds, oleaginous fruits	685	599	3,382	2,881
13	Lac, gums, resins, etc.	45	364	158	552
14	Vegetable plaiting products	2	1	7	6
15	Animal/vegetable fats/oil	1,592	1,513	6,412	6,827
16	Preparations of meat/fish	5,152	4,423	19,593	19,137
17	Sugars and sugar confectionary	1,718	2,205	6,844	8,373
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	1,088	1,553	8,671	8,598
19	Preparations of cereals	7,382	7,198	31,539	30,918
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	3,183	3,722	13,640	15,301
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	6,331	4,983	21,674	19,297
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	8,306	7,732	31,680	28,305
23	Food residues and waste	4,067	3,982	16,473	14,684
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	2,937	3,089	12,342	12,309
25	Salt/sulphur/earths/plastering materials and cement	6,052	4,785	17,692	18,852
26	Ores, slag and ash	0	-	45	32
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	151,182	162,330	620,946	721,122
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	667	986	2,845	3,000
29	Organic chemicals	6,714	7,767	33,849	31,286
30	Pharmaceutical products	28,920	45,316	121,734	165,834
31	Fertilisers	165	68	781	686
32	Tanning/dyeing extracts and paints	7,493	4,793	24,343	22,200
33	Essential oils and toilet preparations	5,185	6,464	23,351	22,755
34	Soap, etc, lubricants, waxes, dental preparations	2,771	2,894	11,227	12,008
35	Albuminoidal substances	506	835	2,527	2,822
36	Explosives/pyrotechnic	20	12	85	29
37	Photographic/cinema	79	165	553	642
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	3,999	4,409	12,984	14,948
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	17,836	17,761	74,913	68,955
40	Rubber and articles of rubber	2,923	2,618	11,618	10,012
41	Raw hides and skins (excluding furskins) and leather	6	5	39	24
42	Articles of leather; saddlery	2,570	1,391	14,119	8,556
43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	11	2	27	19
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	2,735	1,983	9,625	8,478
45	Cork and articles of cork	17	12	76	66
46	Manufactures of straw, etc.	32	30	152	128
47	Pulp of wood, etc.; paper waste	1	1	20	47

48	Paper and paperboard articles	10,916	8,940	56,354	36,498
49	Printed books, newspapers	2,149	2,545	6,306	10,911
50	Silk	5	12	44	71
51	Woven fabric of wool/fine animal hair	11	2	174	17
52	Cotton	93	36	168	127
53	Other vegetable textile fibres	13	15	104	46
54	Man-made filaments	929	1,018	3,542	2,089
55	Man-made staple fibres	93	191	580	541
56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens	1,025	737	2,752	1,867
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	99	238	762	1,461
58	Special woven fabrics	94	98	499	449
59	Impregnated/coated/laminated textile fabrics	164	158	859	629
60	Knitted/crocheted fabrics	88	63	201	198
61	Knitted clothing	8,466	9,351	32,422	39,855
62	Woven clothing	6,981	6,775	25,366	22,193
63	Made up textile articles	1,350	1,390	5,225	7,800
64	Footwear, gaiters etc.and parts	5,992	7,084	27,046	26,265
65	Headgear and parts thereof	356	386	1,254	2,420
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas and parts	295	386	728	1,370
67	Prepared feathers/down articles	83	120	502	480
68	Articles of stone/plaster/cement etc.	1,921	2,062	7,677	8,114
69	Ceramic products	3,448	3,334	13,776	12,708
70	Glass and glassware	2,363	1,865	9,107	7,673
71	Pearls, precious stones/metals and imitation jewellery	2,238	2,647	9,389	8,544
72	Iron and steel	8,230	3,010	24,119	14,923
73	Articles of iron or steel	32,357	6,901	55,911	31,248
74	Copper and articles thereof	1,734	1,894	7,289	6,625
75	Nickel and articles thereof	82	88	338	391
76	Aluminium and articles thereof	4,340	2,573	17,295	13,825
78	Lead and articles thereof	0	28	9	80
79	Zinc and articles thereof	67	76	425	241
80	Tin and articles thereof	10	13	38	23
81	Other base metals/cermets and articles thereof	73	128	428	508
82	Tools, implements/cutlery etc., parts	1,036	930	4,054	4,326
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	1,657	2,051	5,636	7,269
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	46,086	41,133	166,016	182,212
85	Electrical machinery etc.	80,141	90,657	318,991	363,169
86	Railway locomotives, etc., parts	77	32	576	478
87	Vehicles (excluding trains) and parts thereof	31,543	27,447	137,855	124,409
88	Aircraft/spacecraft and parts thereof	117,190	4,526	207,502	93,393
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	102,133	70,720	118,529	121,709
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	10,899	9,533	41,709	37,145
91	Clocks and watches/parts	798	1,999	4,131	9,088
92	Musical instruments and parts thereof	130	88	480	529
93	Arms and ammunition and parts thereof	208	673	551	1,023
94	Furniture; bedding, etc.	10,414	9,208	38,039	40,350
95	Toys, games and sports requisites	3,105	3,158	10,369	9,678
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,938	1,276	6,903	4,888
97	Works of art, collector's pieces and antiques	450	584	2,397	1,942
98	Complete industrial plant	-	-	-	3,347
99	Special classifications	-	62	37	118
Total		813,542	661,552	2,641,698	2,666,696

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Notes:

1. The commodity breakdown is the Harmonised System (HS) Code at Chapter level.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.
3. Values in Table 6a are represented in thousands.

Table 6b. Total Exports by period and trade chapter

€ 000

Trade chapter	Chapter description	April		January-April	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
01	Live animals	145	45	249	219
02	Meat and edible offal	24	14	91	54
03	Fish and crustaceans, etc.	1,395	661	40,061	14,217
04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs	4	213	377	501
05	Products of animal origin	-	-	17	-
06	Live trees and plants	-	-	-	-
07	Edible vegetables	47	7	129	28
08	Edible fruit and nuts	5	27	17	60
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	0	0	89	0
10	Cereals	11	3	26	40
11	Milling industry products	46	119	239	331
12	Oil seeds, oleaginous fruits	-	-	48	98
13	Lac, gums, resins, etc.	-	1	8	120
14	Vegetable plaiting products	-	-	-	-
15	Animal/vegetable fats/oil	0	0	114	71
16	Preparations of meat/fish	2	2	16	103
17	Sugars and sugar confectionary	0	0	7	6
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	2	1	67	51
19	Preparations of cereals	656	928	3,280	3,169
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	6	8	61	45
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	3,168	4,269	14,410	15,578
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	908	638	3,124	2,717
23	Food residues and waste	87	707	289	1,223
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	2,377	1,363	7,056	2,331
25	Salt/sulphur/earths/plastering materials and cement	10	3	49	58
26	Ores, slag and ash	-	-	4	-
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	93,414	96,468	425,026	454,412
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	11,436	45	11,913	327
29	Organic chemicals	4,341	7,549	16,603	20,264
30	Pharmaceutical products	30,666	33,232	129,323	135,306
31	Fertilisers	-	-	0	-
32	Tanning/dyeing extracts and paints	36	11	124	369
33	Essential oils and toilet preparations	998	3,231	4,937	6,121
34	Soap, etc, lubricants, waxes, dental preparations	26	239	80	269
35	Albuminoidal substances	48	66	230	231
36	Explosives/pyrotechnic	-	4	-	6
37	Photographic/cinema	89	23	296	210
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	576	244	1,545	9,775
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	6,293	7,543	24,756	26,798
40	Rubber and articles of rubber	6,911	6,776	28,920	28,501
41	Raw hides and skins (excluding furskins) and leather	-	-	18	15
42	Articles of leather; saddlery	170	372	5,553	1,426
43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	-	-	0	3
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	1	6	115	106
45	Cork and articles of cork	-	-	9	0
46	Manufactures of straw, etc.	0	1	1	1
47	Pulp of wood, etc.; paper waste	291	242	951	1,133

48	Paper and paperboard articles	184	181	2,416	1,048
49	Printed books, newspapers	15,755	17,961	102,440	64,613
50	Silk	0	2	0	2
51	Woven fabric of wool/fine animal hair	18	-	330	-
52	Cotton	-	-	-	-
53	Other vegetable textile fibres	-	-	58	3
54	Man-made filaments	396	479	2,941	1,596
55	Man-made staple fibres	7	-	69	-
56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens	0	4	48	59
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	-	213	11	339
58	Special woven fabrics	4	0	29	0
59	Impregnated/coated/laminated textile fabrics	5	3	54	39
60	Knitted/crocheted fabrics	2,458	2,102	8,888	9,613
61	Knitted clothing	2,414	3,091	10,627	8,639
62	Woven clothing	369	558	1,852	1,727
63	Made up textile articles	70	88	358	272
64	Footwear, gaiters etc.and parts	3,055	6,638	14,779	18,988
65	Headgear and parts thereof	5	3	93	46
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas and parts	-	-	4	4
67	Prepared feathers/down articles	-	0	0	0
68	Articles of stone/plaster/cement etc.	22	0	37	7
69	Ceramic products	1	8	24	23
70	Glass and glassware	532	368	1,881	1,303
71	Pearls, precious stones/metals and imitation jewellery	186	593	3,173	2,074
72	Iron and steel	2,575	1,523	7,937	5,863
73	Articles of iron or steel	278	561	2,232	1,581
74	Copper and articles thereof	333	289	2,012	1,229
75	Nickel and articles thereof	-	1	1	1
76	Aluminium and articles thereof	226	200	1,370	795
78	Lead and articles thereof	2	-	22	3
79	Zinc and articles thereof	-	-	4	-
80	Tin and articles thereof	-	-	-	-
81	Other base metals/cermets and articles thereof	-	1	4	2
82	Tools, implements/cutlery etc., parts	155	14	482	168
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	8	29	135	158
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	12,541	9,938	55,493	56,172
85	Electrical machinery etc.	90,313	87,313	359,295	340,336
86	Railway locomotives, etc., parts	70	-	274	60
87	Vehicles (excluding trains) and parts thereof	697	825	2,544	2,983
88	Aircraft/spacecraft and parts thereof	4,468	3,651	19,451	147,385
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	54	1,055	104	1,988
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	7,548	12,911	38,795	39,465
91	Clocks and watches/parts	382	454	1,121	4,330
92	Musical instruments and parts thereof	3	-	17	10
93	Arms and ammunition and parts thereof	-	-	23	-
94	Furniture; bedding, etc.	202	205	695	756
95	Toys, games and sports requisites	7,300	9,368	37,239	36,957
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	45	25	104	101
97	Works of art, collector's pieces and antiques	26	18	304	125
98	Complete industrial plant	-	-	-	-
99	Special classifications	3,228	3,421	9,909	10,429
Total		320,127	329,154	1,409,912	1,487,584

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Notes:

1. The commodity breakdown is the Harmonised System (HS) Code at Chapter level.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.
3. Values in Table 6b are represented in thousands.

Methodological Notes

1. Figures presented in this news release are based on register data available as at the cut-off date printed on the front page of this release. These are provisional figures based on information provided by traders and customs declarations on a monthly basis. Regular revisions to monthly and annual trade data may be carried out on a regular basis or as deemed necessary. No estimations are included in these figures to compensate for late or non-response by traders or late documentation of customs declarations.

2. Data in this release are based on:

i. The Intrastat Supplementary Declaration that traders in merchandise goods must submit in respect of arrivals (imports) and dispatches (exports) of goods from and to the Member States of the European Union (EU) in compliance with Legal Notice 105 of 2008, and

ii. The Customs Declarations for imports from and exports to countries that are not Member States of the EU.

3. The Intrastat Supplementary Declaration for the collection of data on trade in goods between the Member States of the EU replaced the Customs Declaration as from 1 May 2004. The requirements of the Supplementary Declaration, which at EU level were introduced as from 1 January 1993, are similar in all the Member States of the EU.

4. As from May 2004, with the introduction of the Intrastat Supplementary Declaration as the source document for trade statistics, it was no longer possible to disaggregate total exports into domestic exports and re-exports.

5. The 'Balance of Trade' is the difference between a country's exports and imports. A country has a trade deficit if it imports more than it exports; the opposite scenario signifies a trade surplus.

6. National concepts differ from the harmonised methodology used by Eurostat, leading to differences between figures in this release and those published by Eurostat. Malta uses the "General Trade" system for dissemination purposes in line with UN recommendations. On the other hand, monthly data sent to Eurostat for both Intra-EU and Extra-EU are compiled according to the "Special Trade" methodology. A more detailed explanation of these two concepts can be found in the "Statistical Concepts" link below (refer to methodological note 13).

7. i. The euro area (Trading Partners) includes Austria, Belgium, Croatia (from January 2023), Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia (from January 2014), Lithuania (from January 2015), Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia and Spain.

ii. The EU (Trading Partners) includes Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia (from July 2013), Cyprus, Czech Republic (Czechia), Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden. As of 1 February 2020, the United Kingdom is no longer part of the EU. The transition period that was in place – during which nothing changed – ended on 31 December 2020.

For reference periods February 2020 onwards, monthly news releases having a country breakdown will carry EU data excluding the United Kingdom. Users are advised to use data with caution when making comparisons since this will result in discrepancies, unless United Kingdom information is removed from previous figures.

iii. As from 1 January 2021, following the Withdrawal Agreement (Brexit) between the United Kingdom and the EU, Northern Ireland is to be considered as part of the EU for International Trade purposes.

iv. EFTA (European Free Trade Association) countries comprise Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

8. As from the publication relating to the January 2021 reference period, the format of the news release changed. The main enhancement was the reporting of statistics which exclude specific chapters, namely Mineral fuels, oils and products (Chapter 27), Aircrafts/spacecrafts and parts thereof (Chapter 88) and Ships, boats and floating structures (Chapter 89). These are categories which are dominated by one-off transactions that could weigh heavily on the overall headline figures. Therefore, while the official figures remain those for total trade, data excluding these specific chapters is, in many cases, more suitable to analyse underlying economic trends.

9. In April 2023, the Office launched an exercise aimed at enhancing the coverage, and thus reliability, of trade in goods data. This involved using an administrative source, in particular VAT data, to crosscheck existing data. Contact was made with traders, reminding them of their legal obligation to record intra-EU trade in the Intrastat system, which is resulting in the narrowing of data gaps. To provide users with consistent time series data, whenever possible, data extending back to 2016 is being requested. This process, which is still ongoing, is likely to lead to larger revisions than usual in the short term.

10. As from the reference period January 2021, data in Table 3 is based on the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) Rev.4.

11. As from the reference period January 2021, the Caribbean and the Bahamas Islands are included under North and Central America.

12. The percentage change for the Balance of Trade between the current month (y) and the corresponding month of the previous year (x), is worked using the formula $((y-x)/abs(x))*100$. A negative percentage change in the Balance of Trade means that it has widened (deteriorated), while a positive percentage change means that the Balance of Trade has narrowed (improved).

13. More information relating to this news release may be accessed at:

[Sources and Methods](#)

[Statistical Concepts](#)

[Metadata](#)

[BEC Classification](#)

[Classifications on Economic Statistics](#)

[SITC Rev. 4](#)

[The Combined Nomenclature Classification Regulation \(EU\) 2022/1998](#)

14. Statistics in this news release should be interpreted in the context of the COVID-19 situation.

15. The data contained in this release is subject to revision. For an updated time-series which includes past data, please refer to the [Statistical Indicators for this domain](#).

16. A detailed news release calendar is available [online](#).

17. References to this news release are to be cited appropriately. For guidance on access and re-use of data please visit our [dedicated webpage](#).

18. For further assistance send your request through our [online request form](#).