

International Trade in Goods: September 2024

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For the month of September 2024, provisional figures for registered trade in goods in Malta are showing a deficit of €301.1 million as opposed to a deficit of €270.8 million in the corresponding month of 2023.



Total Trade in Goods: September 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 €301.1 million during September, compared to a deficit of €270.8 million in the corresponding month of 2023. Imports amounted to €750.4 million, while exports totalled €449.3 million, representing increases in both imports and exports of €91.3 million and €60.9 million, respectively, over the same month of the previous year (Table 1). The increase in imports was mainly due to Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€120.3 million), and Miscellaneous transactions and commodities (€12.1 million), partly offset by decreases in Food (€24.6 million), and Machinery and transport equipment (€18.6 million). On the exports side, the main increases were registered in Miscellaneous manufactured articles (€44.4 million), and Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€43.8 million), partly offset by a decrease in Machinery and transport equipment (€20.7 million) (Table 3).

Total Trade in Goods: January-September 2024

During the first nine months of the year, the deficit narrowed by €100.5 million when compared to the corresponding period of 2023, reaching €3,292.6 million. Imports stood at €6,923.5 million whereas exports reached €3,631.0 million, representing increases of €283.0 million and €383.5 million, respectively (Table 1). Higher imports were mainly recorded in Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€542.1 million), partly offset by a decrease in Machinery and transport equipment (€218.7 million). On the exports side, the main increase was registered in Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€327.9 million) (Table 3).

Chart 1. International Trade in Goods: Quarterly



Goods were imported mainly from the European Union (56.4 per cent) and Asia (21.3 per cent). Similarly, exports were mostly directed to the European Union (35.7 per cent) and Asia (11.3 per cent). The highest increase in imports was recorded from Italy (€167.6 million), while imports from Germany registered the largest drop (€242.2 million). Exports to the United States of America registered the highest increase (€139.7 million), while those to Germany experienced the largest decrease (€65.0 million) (Table 4).

Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹: September 2024

In September, the deficit of trade in goods excluding specific chapters amounted to €139.5 million, compared to a deficit of €183.9 million recorded in the same month of 2023. Imports and exports amounted to €428.6 million and €289.1 million, respectively, thus representing a decrease of 5.0 per cent in imports and an increase of 8.2 per cent in exports over the corresponding month of the previous year (Table 1).

Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹: January-September 2024

During the first nine months of 2024, the deficit of trade in goods excluding specific chapters narrowed by €0.5 million when compared to the same period of 2023, reaching €1,921.8 million. Both imports and exports decreased by 0.3 per cent and 0.5 per cent, amounting to €4,070.5 million and €2,148.7 million, respectively (Table 1).

Chart 2. Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹ - Quarterly

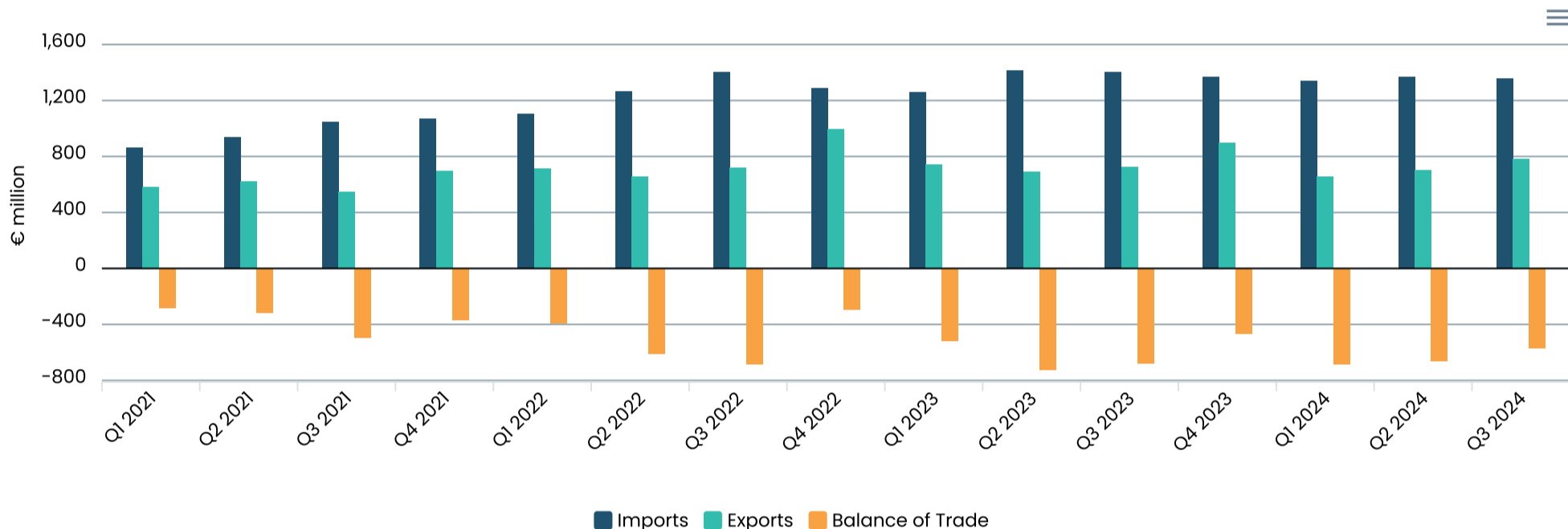


Chart 3. Percentage change of Trade in Goods

Over the corresponding month of the previous year



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

September 2024

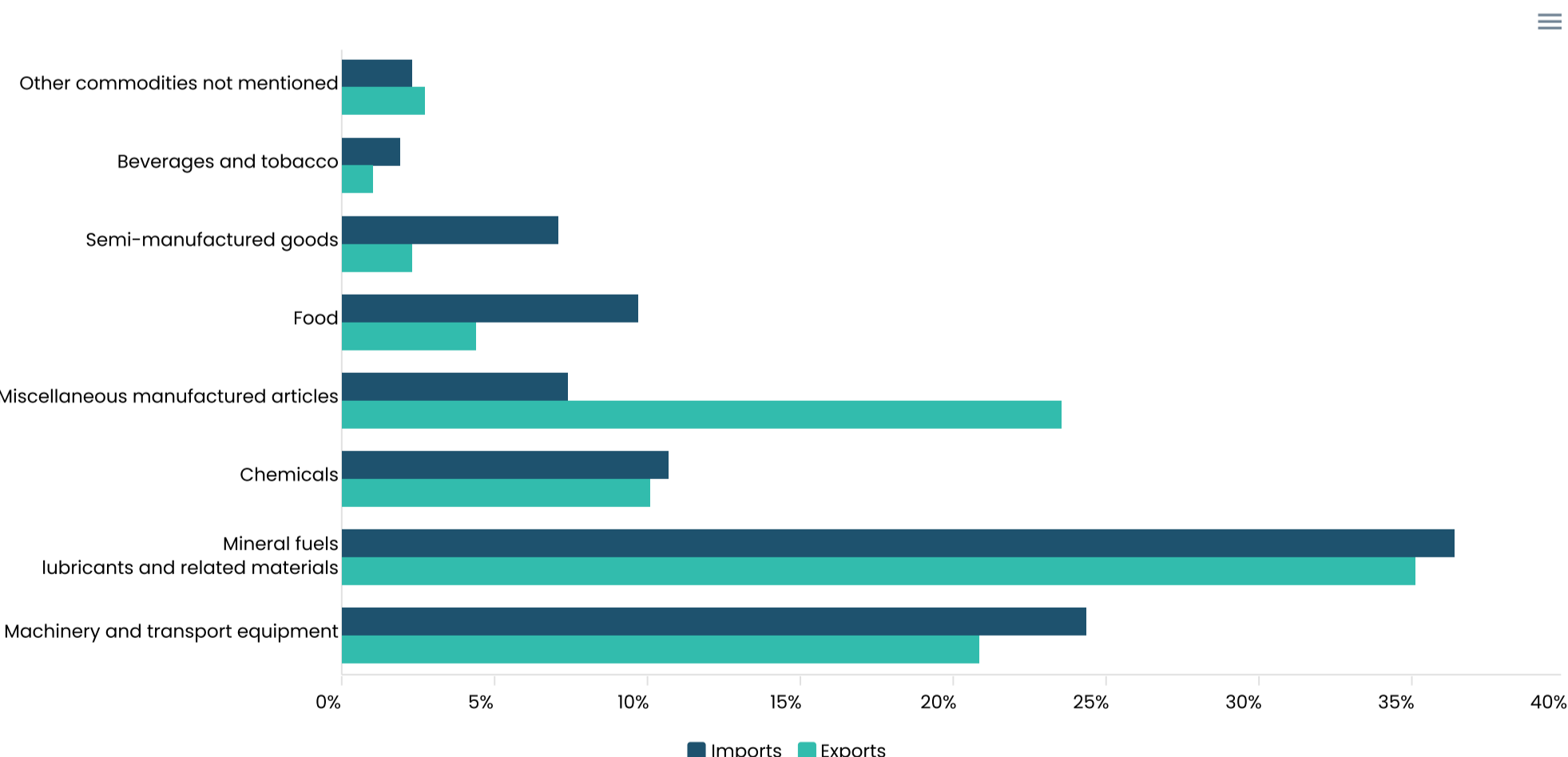
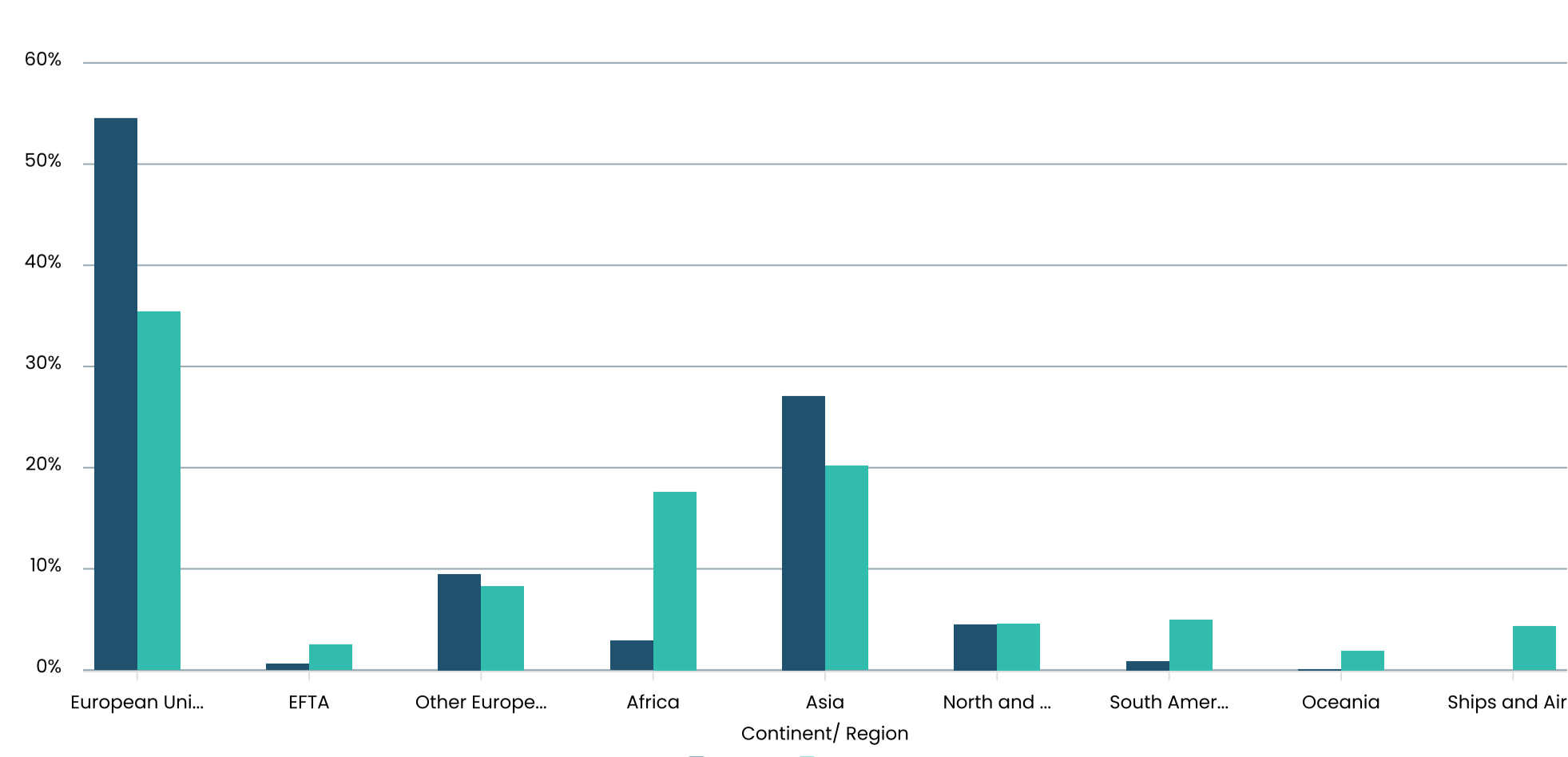


Chart 5. Percentage distribution of Trade in Goods excluding specific chapters¹ by continent/region

September 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	September			January-September		
				2023 ^P	2024 ^P	percentage change ¹	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	percentage change ¹
Imports	9,600.5	8,730.8	-9.1	659.2	750.4	13.8	6,640.5	6,923.5	4.3
Imports excluding specific chapters ²	5,068.9	5,452.0	7.6	451.1	428.6	-5.0	4,082.1	4,070.5	-0.3
Exports	4,721.1	4,589.3	-2.8	388.4	449.3	15.7	3,247.5	3,631.0	11.8
Exports excluding specific chapters ²	3,082.4	3,060.8	-0.7	267.2	289.1	8.2	2,159.7	2,148.7	-0.5
Balance of Trade	-4,879.3	-4,141.5	15.1	-270.8	-301.1	-11.2	-3,393.1	-3,292.6	3.0
Balance of Trade excluding specific chapters ²	-1,986.5	-2,391.3	-20.4	-183.9	-139.5	24.2	-1,922.4	-1,921.8	0.0

^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	September		January-September	
			2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Imports	9,600.5	8,730.8	659.2	750.4	6,640.5	6,923.5
Industrial supplies	2,264.7	2,373.3	196.4	225.4	1,753.8	1,927.9
Primary	196.1	204.9	26.6	8.8	164.2	92.7
Semi-finished	1,926.5	1,988.8	156.8	197.0	1,444.0	1,682.2
Finished	142.1	179.6	13.0	19.6	145.5	152.9
Capital goods and others	2,743.5	2,134.1	122.5	104.4	1,765.7	1,475.9
Consumer goods	1,996.1	2,211.5	186.6	185.1	1,648.5	1,714.8
Food and beverages	713.2	805.9	72.6	70.8	595.9	615.2
Durable goods	728.4	805.2	60.4	56.6	595.5	580.3
Others	554.6	600.4	53.5	57.7	457.1	519.3
Fuels and lubricants	2,596.3	2,012.0	153.7	235.5	1,472.6	1,805.0
Exports	4,721.1	4,589.3	388.4	449.3	3,247.5	3,631.0
Industrial supplies	1,648.1	1,706.8	144.4	154.1	1,249.0	1,246.8
Primary	31.2	31.0	1.3	1.3	22.3	29.8
Semi-finished	1,535.3	1,582.7	133.2	147.8	1,153.6	1,138.4
Finished	81.6	93.1	9.8	5.1	73.0	78.6
Capital goods and others	375.2	377.5	26.6	41.3	302.7	387.2
Consumer goods	1,160.8	1,117.7	103.2	95.9	729.0	762.0
Food and beverages	406.4	335.5	19.7	22.5	134.2	124.5
Durable goods	236.9	230.6	20.1	23.8	176.6	197.0
Others	517.5	551.6	63.3	49.6	418.1	440.5
Fuels and lubricants	1,537.0	1,387.2	114.2	158.0	966.9	1,235.0
Balance of Trade	-4,879.3	-4,141.5	-270.8	-301.1	-3,393.1	-3,292.6

^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	Q2 ^P	Q3 ^P
Imports	1,838.0	2,346.0	2,456.6	2,090.2	2,058.0	2,234.5	2,631.0
Industrial supplies	511.0	617.4	625.4	619.5	629.5	592.7	705.8
Primary	19.9	60.7	83.6	40.6	24.0	17.6	51.1
Semi-finished	456.7	499.6	487.7	544.7	529.1	540.7	612.5
Finished	34.4	57.1	54.0	34.1	76.4	34.4	42.2
Capital goods and others	346.3	702.4	717.0	368.4	361.5	518.5	595.9
Consumer goods	512.7	567.1	568.7	563.0	559.0	592.2	563.6
Food and beverages	176.9	197.9	221.0	210.0	183.4	214.2	217.6
Durable goods	188.9	215.3	191.2	209.7	199.4	207.4	173.5
Others	146.9	153.9	156.4	143.2	176.2	170.5	172.6
Fuels and lubricants	468.0	459.0	545.6	539.4	508.1	531.2	765.8
Exports	1,094.2	1,023.9	1,129.4	1,341.8	1,183.8	1,138.8	1,308.4
Industrial supplies	403.7	413.6	431.7	457.9	408.4	396.2	442.2
Primary	8.5	9.0	4.9	8.7	6.1	16.6	7.1
Semi-finished	374.1	376.7	402.8	429.1	366.8	356.4	415.2
Finished	21.1	27.9	24.0	20.1	35.5	23.2	19.9
Capital goods and others	88.1	81.7	132.9	74.8	200.5	96.0	90.6
Consumer goods	267.6	224.1	237.3	388.8	238.3	247.9	275.7
Food and beverages	59.1	29.4	45.7	201.3	33.3	32.5	58.7
Durable goods	62.3	55.7	58.6	54.0	66.5	64.3	66.1
Others	146.2	139.0	133.0	133.4	138.4	151.1	150.9
Fuels and lubricants	334.9	304.5	327.5	420.3	336.6	398.6	499.8
Balance of Trade	-743.8	-1,322.1	-1,327.2	-748.4	-874.3	-1,095.7	-1,322.6

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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	September		January-September	
			2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Imports	9,600.5	8,730.8	659.2	750.4	6,640.5	6,923.5
Food	813.1	923.4	97.4	72.8	699.2	642.8
Beverages and tobacco	137.2	146.5	11.5	13.9	112.9	110.2
Crude materials	47.0	44.1	3.1	3.2	29.7	31.7
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	2,597.2	2,071.6	153.7	274.0	1,484.7	2,026.8
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	17.0	15.1	1.4	1.3	11.2	12.0
Chemicals	932.0	871.9	74.3	80.6	641.6	737.3
Semi-manufactured goods	674.6	667.2	51.0	53.4	520.9	471.8
Machinery and transport equipment	3,607.4	3,157.7	201.5	182.8	2,516.7	2,298.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	770.4	829.7	64.9	55.8	620.6	577.2
Miscellaneous transactions and commodities	4.5	3.7	0.4	12.5	3.0	15.9
Exports	4,721.1	4,589.3	388.4	449.3	3,247.5	3,631.0
Food	388.1	316.4	18.6	19.6	118.3	112.0
Beverages and tobacco	36.2	48.3	4.6	4.3	36.7	34.0
Crude materials	31.0	28.7	1.4	1.3	20.0	21.3
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1,537.0	1,393.3	114.2	158.0	966.9	1,294.7
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	3.2	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.5
Chemicals	572.3	529.1	56.9	45.3	385.9	424.9
Semi-manufactured goods	169.9	149.0	16.7	10.4	115.6	121.8
Machinery and transport equipment	1,283.7	1,407.1	114.6	93.9	1,068.6	1,042.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	696.2	714.0	61.4	105.9	533.3	561.9
Miscellaneous transactions and commodities	3.7	3.0	-	10.5	2.0	17.3
Balance of Trade	-4,879.3	-4,141.5	-270.8	-301.1	-3,393.1	-3,292.6
Food	-425.1	-607.0	-78.8	-53.2	-580.9	-530.7
Beverages and tobacco	-101.0	-98.2	-6.9	-9.6	-76.2	-76.1
Crude materials	-16.0	-15.4	-1.8	-1.9	-9.8	-10.4
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-1,060.2	-678.2	-39.5	-116.0	-517.8	-732.1
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	-13.8	-14.7	-1.3	-1.2	-11.0	-11.5
Chemicals	-359.7	-342.8	-17.4	-35.3	-255.7	-312.4
Semi-manufactured goods	-504.8	-518.2	-34.3	-43.0	-405.3	-350.0
Machinery and transport equipment	-2,323.7	-1,750.6	-86.8	-88.9	-1,448.1	-1,255.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	-74.2	-115.7	-3.5	50.0	-87.3	-15.2
Miscellaneous transactions and commodities	-0.9	-0.6	-0.4	-2.0	-1.0	1.5

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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	September						January-September					
	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	403.9	164.4	-239.5	491.5	157.4	-334.2	4,534.6	1,421.3	-3,113.3	4,684.9	1,542.8	-3,142.0
<i>of which:</i>												
European Union	301.3	149.9	-151.4	433.5	126.0	-307.6	3,695.0	1,262.1	-2,432.9	3,903.8	1,296.4	-2,607.4
<i>of which:</i>												
Euro area	286.0	119.8	-166.2	390.3	101.1	-289.2	3,533.8	1,045.8	-2,488.0	3,519.6	1,072.6	-2,447.1
<i>of which:</i>												
Italy	120.4	14.4	-106.0	181.2	14.8	-166.4	1,325.2	121.6	-1,203.6	1,492.8	122.9	-1,369.9
Spain	21.3	5.0	-16.3	75.3	3.4	-72.0	395.7	40.2	-355.5	471.6	28.6	-443.1
France	33.5	6.0	-27.6	38.9	5.5	-33.5	542.9	48.0	-494.9	500.0	57.4	-442.6
Germany	40.4	77.6	37.2	26.3	56.0	29.7	574.8	640.6	65.8	332.6	575.6	243.0
Netherlands	23.8	3.5	-20.2	23.4	3.0	-20.4	254.6	34.1	-220.5	241.8	58.4	-183.4
Croatia (Hrvatska)	12.0	0.4	-11.6	11.7	0.2	-11.5	64.6	59.5	-5.1	66.8	2.4	-64.4
EFTA Countries	6.6	2.7	-3.9	2.4	7.3	4.9	57.4	42.0	-15.5	46.7	54.4	7.7
<i>of which:</i>												
Switzerland	6.2	2.3	-3.9	1.8	6.9	5.1	53.6	23.7	-29.9	44.7	32.2	-12.4
Other European Countries	96.0	11.8	-84.2	55.6	24.1	-31.5	782.2	117.3	-664.9	734.4	192.1	-542.3
<i>of which:</i>												
United Kingdom	40.9	10.0	-30.9	31.2	11.9	-19.3	426.8	83.4	-343.3	387.6	101.7	-285.9
Turkey	52.7	0.9	-51.8	18.0	11.2	-6.7	214.3	20.5	-193.9	278.5	41.2	-237.2
Africa	24.4	39.8	15.4	14.5	63.8	49.3	231.5	272.8	41.3	242.5	339.8	97.4
<i>of which:</i>												
Tunisia	1.8	3.0	1.3	5.8	2.1	-3.7	47.6	26.5	-21.0	79.2	22.6	-56.6
Asia	151.7	57.2	-94.4	174.2	58.6	-115.6	1,272.9	462.4	-810.5	1,475.8	409.5	-1,066.2
<i>of which:</i>												
Saudi Arabia	0.8	9.7	9.0	37.5	3.8	-33.7	18.7	23.4	4.7	111.3	25.3	-86.0
China	28.9	9.4	-19.5	29.4	1.8	-27.6	281.0	29.1	-251.9	289.7	19.5	-270.2
India	22.9	2.6	-20.3	24.4	1.5	-22.8	170.7	30.9	-139.8	231.8	20.5	-211.4
Kazakhstan	23.9	-	-23.9	16.3	-	-16.3	72.8	0.1	-72.7	133.0	4.7	-128.2
United Arab Emirates	1.8	2.2	0.4	14.1	3.2	-10.9	18.9	22.9	4.0	38.9	30.4	-8.5
North and Central America	75.0	12.9	-62.1	64.5	14.0	-50.5	562.4	126.3	-436.1	433.3	272.3	-161.0
<i>of which:</i>												
Trinidad & Tobago	25.0	-	-25.0	25.1	-	-25.1	94.6	-	-94.6	126.6	0.0	-126.6
United States Of America	12.6	10.1	-2.4	21.1	10.8	-10.3	196.4	94.0	-102.4	197.2	233.7	36.4
South America	3.6	0.8	-2.8	5.2	14.5	9.3	19.3	30.7	11.4	45.6	31.1	-14.5
Oceania	0.6	2.8	2.2	0.4	5.5	5.1	19.8	24.7	4.9	41.5	33.3	-8.2
Ships and Aircraft Stores	-	110.5	110.5	-	135.4	135.4	-	909.2	909.2	-	1,002.0	1,002.0
Grand Total	659.2	388.4	-270.8	750.4	449.3	-301.1	6,640.5	3,247.5	-3,393.1	6,923.5	3,631.0	-3,292.6

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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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
European Union				
Austria	2,723	2,144	22,050	22,351
Belgium	9,511	8,152	92,069	91,085
Bulgaria	1,753	712	12,602	28,904
Croatia (Hrvatska)	11,988	11,687	64,558	66,799
Cyprus	1,430	634	8,716	7,629
Czech Republic (Czechia)	1,313	1,486	18,773	14,057
Denmark	1,982	2,481	25,031	104,841
Estonia (Eesti)	372	203	14,173	2,367
Finland (Suomi)	875	1,359	8,047	8,654
France	33,545	38,943	542,908	499,963
Germany	40,411	26,339	574,832	332,617
Greece	7,570	10,198	107,201	162,096
Hungary (Magyarország)	1,425	956	15,566	10,230
Ireland	6,858	5,731	81,642	65,724
Italy	120,424	181,203	1,325,211	1,492,806
Latvia (Latvija)	987	794	4,889	4,886
Lithuania (Lietuva)	249	309	3,152	3,402
Luxembourg	430	174	1,805	3,574
Netherlands	23,764	23,429	254,605	241,821
Northern Ireland ¹	83	177	1,231	1,338
Poland (Polska)	3,002	3,907	34,656	56,836
Portugal	1,389	2,470	14,056	17,769
Romania	1,321	10,833	21,902	21,593
Slovakia (Slovensko)	280	173	5,880	4,005
Slovenia (Slovenija)	1,839	970	12,337	20,440
Spain	21,330	75,348	395,678	471,646
Stores & Provisions - Intra Community Trade	-	-	-	-
Sweden	4,444	22,735	31,407	146,345
Total European Union	301,300	433,547	3,694,978	3,903,779
Total Euro Area	285,975	390,260	3,533,809	3,519,635

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
European Free Trade Area (EFTA)				
Iceland	9	173	51	194
Liechtenstein	7	19	17	53
Norway	352	380	3,716	1,795
Switzerland	6,193	1,819	53,643	44,655
Total European Free Trade Area	6,560	2,391	57,426	46,697
Other European Countries				
Albania (Shqipëria)	163	301	2,432	3,251
Andorra	-	0	7	3
Armenia (Hayastan)	6	0	26	33
Azerbaijan	703	5,117	112,313	52,791
Belarus	0	0	23	22
Bosnia - Herzegovina	17	58	393	298
Faroe Islands (Far Oer)	-	-	1,568	-
Georgia (Sakartvelo)	0	0	14,736	1,664
Gibraltar	0	2	55	31
Kosovo	21	59	283	470
Moldova	3	-	9	4
Montenegro (Crna Gora)	60	26	385	327
Republic of Northern Macedonia	63	82	628	874
Russian Federation	299	7	850	91
San Marino	20	2	955	500
Serbia	376	438	2,632	4,035
Turkey	52,659	17,962	214,318	278,482
Ukraine	772	338	3,742	3,853
United Kingdom	40,883	31,187	426,789	387,637
Vatican City	1	1	11	9
Total Other European Countries	96,047	55,581	782,153	734,375
Africa				
Algeria	361	4,441	78,578	72,592
Angola	-	-	1	-
Benin	-	-	0	0

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€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Botswana	-	-	-	0
Bouvet Island	-	-	-	-
British Indian Ocean Territory	-	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	-	0	0	1
Burundi	-	-	0	-
Cameroon	0	80	202	133
Cape Verde	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic	-	-	-	-
Ceuta	-	-	-	5
Chad	-	-	-	-
Comoros	-	-	-	-
Congo	-	-	0	-
Congo Democratic Republic (Ex-Zaire)	3	0	3	0
Cote D'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)	-	0	0	46
Djibouti	-	-	-	-
Egypt	1,594	1,906	21,221	26,667
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	-
Eritrea	-	-	-	-
Ethiopia	10	6	12	7
Eswatini (Swaziland)	3	-	15	6
Gabon	-	-	109	78
Gambia	0	-	0	0
Ghana	0	0	10	7
Guinea	-	0	1	6
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	-
Kenya	17	195	397	560
Lesotho	-	-	110	-
Liberia	-	-	-	1
Libya	18,489	4	67,070	29,308
Madagascar	3	0	10	11
Malawi	-	-	293	111
Mali	0	-	0	0
Mauritania	-	60	0	145
Mauritius	25	26	2,890	2,538
Melilla	-	-	-	-
Morocco	1,632	1,127	10,533	6,658
Mozambique	-	-	-	-

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Namibia	-	142	-	286
Niger	-	-	0	0
Nigeria	1	2	16	93
Rwanda	-	-	0	-
Sao Tome & Principe	-	-	-	-
Senegal	3	-	130	112
Seychelles	-	105	215	21,605
Sierra Leone	-	-	0	-
Somalia	-	-	-	-
South Africa	452	570	1,883	2,111
South Sudan	-	-	-	-
St. Helena	-	-	-	-
Sudan	-	-	0	-
Tanzania	0	-	71	114
Togo	-	-	81	0
Tunisia	1,755	5,810	47,559	79,215
Uganda	0	0	11	0
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-
Zambia	0	-	0	0
Zimbabwe	45	39	104	52
Total Africa	24,393	14,516	231,529	242,469
Asia				
Afghanistan	-	-	1	0
Bahrain	0	36	202	438
Bangladesh	169	362	2,824	2,428
Bhutan	-	-	-	-
Brunei (Darussalam)	-	-	0	1
Cambodia	205	146	1,984	1,625
China	28,901	29,354	280,995	289,697
East Timor	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	1,864	1,361	13,737	20,140
India	22,936	24,366	170,672	231,842
Indonesia	2,066	1,124	36,288	10,061
Iran (Islamic Republic)	0	-	72	69
Iraq	0	824	0	14,200
Israel	465	8,413	86,816	108,319
Japan	8,467	5,563	86,836	67,777

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Jordan	24	293	777	1,822
Kazakhstan	23,883	16,319	72,842	132,969
Kuwait	2	4	13	15
Kyrgyz Republic	1,321	-	2,279	460
Laos	-	0	0	1
Lebanon	308	285	1,901	2,380
Macao	-	1	3	4
Malaysia	3,733	946	27,433	20,051
Maldives	-	-	3	0
Mongolia	-	-	1	-
Myanmar	18	17	207	112
Nepal	1	1	27	15
North Korea	-	-	-	-
Oman	0	1,068	2,602	12,572
Pakistan	401	532	3,615	3,483
Palestine	0	-	78	2
Philippines	2,407	3,725	23,993	26,171
Qatar	3	9	1,868	737
Saudi Arabia	790	37,490	18,702	111,312
Singapore	3,172	2,684	30,264	33,727
South Korea	19,447	8,591	152,889	121,391
Sri Lanka	41	28	1,046	3,690
Syria	-	-	17	4
Taiwan	8,966	8,995	81,668	124,459
Tajikistan	-	-	-	-
Thailand	2,143	2,231	20,925	22,325
Turkmenistan	16,500	2,724	101,924	43,725
United Arab Emirates	1,772	14,133	18,878	38,906
Uzbekistan	-	-	174	592
Vietnam	1,674	2,604	28,359	28,260
Yemen Arab Republic	-	-	-	-
Total Asia	151,679	174,229	1,272,915	1,475,782
North and Central America				
Anguilla	-	-	-	-
Antigua & Barbuda	-	-	0	0
Aruba	-	-	-	-
Bahamas	-	-	30,700	-

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Barbados	25	-	25	0
Belize	-	-	-	0
Bermuda	0	-	0	1
Bonaire, St. Eustatius & Saba	-	-	-	-
Canada	929	6,933	77,340	17,546
Cayman Islands	36,000	-	36,000	61,351
Costa Rica	241	467	3,120	3,947
Cuba	-	-	44	16
Curacao	0	0	0	0
Dominica	-	-	0	-
Dominican Republic	0	50	432	595
El Salvador	0	-	1	3
Greenland	-	-	-	-
Grenada	-	-	-	-
Guatemala	-	0	21	15
Haiti	-	0	-	0
Honduras	-	2	36	5
Jamaica	5	-	9	0
Mexico	207	6,282	1,929	15,046
Montserrat	-	-	-	-
Nicaragua	-	-	-	18
Panama	-	0	21	1
Sint Maarten	-	-	-	0
St. Barthelemy	-	-	-	-
St. Kitts & Nevis	-	4,498	35,000	9,498
St. Lucia	-	-	-	0
St. Pierre & Miquelon	-	-	-	-
St. Vincent	-	-	-	-
Trinidad & Tobago	25,012	25,141	94,630	126,593
Turks & Caicos Islands	-	-	-	-
United States Of America	12,556	21,141	196,423	197,221
Virgin Islands (American)	-	-	-	-
Virgin Islands Tortola (British)	-	-	86,665	1,440
Total North and Central America	74,975	64,515	562,396	433,295
South America				
Argentina	13	100	927	533
Bolivia	1	-	1	0

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Brazil	2,823	2,710	10,788	35,414
Chile	68	219	1,556	1,573
Colombia	6	1,498	204	1,736
Ecuador	602	564	5,110	5,644
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	-	-	-	-
Guyana	-	-	8	4
Paraguay	0	-	53	30
Peru	29	123	146	245
Surinam	-	-	11	-
Uruguay	77	-	535	425
Venezuela	0	11	4	14
Total South America	3,619	5,225	19,341	45,617
Oceania				
American Samoa	1	-	2	-
Antarctica	-	-	-	-
Australia	446	183	3,255	9,304
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-
Cocos Island	-	-	-	-
Cook Island	-	-	-	-
Fiji	0	-	0	0
French Southern Territories	-	-	-	-
Guam	-	-	-	0
Heard & Mcdonald Islands	-	-	-	-
Kiribati	-	-	-	-
Mariana Islands (Northern)	-	-	-	-
Marshall Island	-	-	14,557	30,525
Micronesia	-	-	-	-
Nauru	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	-	-	0	0
New Zealand	153	236	1,942	1,690
Niue	-	-	-	-
Norfolk Island	-	-	-	-
Palau	-	-	-	-
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-
Pitcairn	-	-	-	-
Samoa	-	0	-	0
Solomon Islands	-	-	-	-

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
South Georgia & The South Sandwich	-	-	-	-
Tahiti French Polynesia	-	13	53	13
Tokelau	-	-	-	-
Tonga	-	-	-	-
Tuvalu	-	-	-	-
United States Minor Outlying Islands	-	-	-	-
Vanuatu	0	0	0	1
Wallis & Futuna	-	-	-	-
Total Oceania	601	432	19,809	41,534
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	659,174	750,437	6,640,546	6,923,549

^P Provisional¹ 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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
European Union				
Austria	2,527	858	22,455	16,754
Belgium	2,418	1,959	14,559	18,511
Bulgaria	1,377	487	6,307	6,231
Croatia (Hrvatska)	386	199	59,484	2,376
Cyprus	24	528	13,404	23,169
Czech Republic (Czechia)	1,952	1,246	14,903	15,040
Denmark	281	340	2,535	5,516
Estonia (Eesti)	176	29	684	1,802
Finland (Suomi)	788	346	5,411	5,056
France	5,968	5,476	47,996	57,378
Germany	77,627	56,030	640,607	575,594
Greece	1,891	9,705	10,308	122,909
Hungary (Magyarország)	2,670	2,714	30,937	30,097
Ireland	433	274	3,219	2,880
Italy	14,433	14,772	121,566	122,863
Latvia (Latvija)	136	13	660	1,432
Lithuania (Lietuva)	334	1,243	3,406	7,464
Luxembourg	19	47	262	399
Netherlands	3,547	3,045	34,056	58,410
Northern Ireland ¹	-	-	2	0
Poland (Polska)	3,725	5,194	33,002	39,659
Portugal	2,162	2,600	16,263	19,590
Romania	4,948	1,613	15,902	15,276
Slovakia (Slovensko)	1,291	112	8,998	4,748
Slovenia (Slovenija)	607	511	2,289	2,664
Spain	5,034	3,355	40,176	28,569
Stores & Provisions - Intra Community Trade	13,785	12,135	99,907	99,481
Sweden	1,345	1,129	12,769	12,520
Total European Union	149,884	125,959	1,262,069	1,296,389

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Total Euro Area	119,801	101,101	1,045,804	1,072,568
European Free Trade Area (EFTA)				
Iceland	74	109	14,247	841
Liechtenstein	-	24	-	24
Norway	287	204	3,965	21,291
Switzerland	2,305	6,943	23,748	32,217
Total European Free Trade Area (EFTA)	2,667	7,280	41,960	54,373
Other European Countries				
Albania (Shqiperia)	76	81	851	3,280
Andorra	0	0	2	1
Armenia (Hayastan)	-	21	9	21
Azerbaijan	1	-	21	14
Belarus	-	-	-	-
Bosnia - Herzegovina	-	-	133	313
Faroe Islands (Far Oer)	2	-	2	-
Georgia (Sakartvelo)	88	39	738	1,936
Gibraltar	4	1	7,147	28,093
Kosovo	22	3	80	87
Moldova	-	-	40	132
Montenegro (Crna Gora)	1	-	59	10,161
Republic of Northern Macedonia	10	205	216	867
Russian Federation	-	-	197	14
San Marino	-	-	-	-
Serbia	273	43	1,684	1,771
Turkey	851	11,218	20,459	41,249
Ukraine	481	649	2,198	2,414
United Kingdom	10,017	11,870	83,442	101,713
Vatican City	-	-	-	2
Total Other European Countries	11,826	24,130	117,277	192,069
Africa				

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Algeria	5	815	7,757	5,638
Angola	69	216	3,162	7,614
Benin	-	-	74	135
Botswana	-	-	288	197
Bouvet Island	-	-	-	-
British Indian Ocean Territory	-	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	-	-	69	107
Burundi	-	-	4,804	8,835
Cameroon	534	104	1,558	1,714
Cape Verde	314	201	1,889	1,023
Central African Republic	-	-	217	231
Ceuta	-	-	-	9
Chad	-	-	2,050	3,059
Comoros	-	-	-	-
Congo	113	-	575	961
Congo Democratic Republic (Ex-Zaire)	9,242	144	15,909	2,454
Cote D'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)	-	-	8	-
Djibouti	192	431	1,362	1,570
Egypt	1,691	14,404	18,050	54,494
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	745
Eritrea	-	-	-	-
Ethiopia	-	-	-	1
Eswatini (Swaziland)	23	5	182	522
Gabon	-	-	45	22
Gambia	139	-	3,664	1,991
Ghana	10,637	14,704	52,514	31,903
Guinea	87	-	162	176
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	203	229
Kenya	416	779	2,683	4,545
Lesotho	-	-	541	1,288
Liberia	-	-	903	1,091
Libya	4,151	2,583	39,081	40,397
Madagascar	1	-	3,552	-
Malawi	-	-	-	7,333
Mali	682	681	877	939
Mauritania	-	-	66	132

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Mauritius	288	323	893	9,609
Melilla	-	-	-	-
Morocco	371	2,654	8,415	29,948
Mozambique	-	-	-	10,598
Namibia	-	13	1,507	29
Niger	-	-	152	24
Nigeria	5,333	4,395	25,867	16,449
Rwanda	-	758	2,911	2,573
Sao Tome & Principe	-	-	43	-
Senegal	663	136	2,053	2,472
Seychelles	8	-	71	174
Sierra Leone	41	4,512	8,847	6,095
Somalia	137	267	553	1,707
South Africa	862	731	4,691	7,707
South Sudan	739	3,059	4,244	8,019
St. Helena	-	-	-	-
Sudan	-	-	12,108	8,005
Tanzania	-	9,765	2,895	25,988
Togo	-	-	2	306
Tunisia	3,011	2,147	26,547	22,608
Uganda	31	5	8,784	8,158
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-
Zambia	-	-	6	-
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-
Total Africa	39,779	63,831	272,834	339,826
Asia				
Afghanistan	-	-	-	-
Bahrain	377	470	2,921	2,825
Bangladesh	319	4	1,181	1,758
Bhutan	-	-	-	-
Brunei (Darussalam)	-	-	59	-
Cambodia	0	-	58	-
China	9,449	1,799	29,077	19,521
East Timor	-	-	0	18
Hong Kong	10,384	9,368	110,666	74,785

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
India	2,629	1,525	30,906	20,479
Indonesia	-	19	89	156
Iran (Islamic Republic)	-	-	-	124
Iraq	449	581	1,114	2,135
Israel	293	653	3,140	6,355
Japan	1,765	3,900	46,821	35,593
Jordan	114	114	2,038	2,111
Kazakhstan	-	-	145	4,748
Kuwait	39	1,676	571	2,086
Kyrgyz Republic	-	-	1,375	1,216
Laos	-	-	-	31
Lebanon	23	66	25,398	556
Macao	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	85	1,314	5,943	10,602
Maldives	-	1	157	118
Mongolia	-	3,456	3,310	7,206
Myanmar	-	-	-	0
Nepal	2	-	2	-
North Korea	-	-	-	-
Oman	195	407	1,003	2,217
Pakistan	258	173	828	1,025
Palestine	-	-	44	91
Philippines	692	4,504	2,789	5,441
Qatar	4,453	1,133	6,685	3,518
Saudi Arabia	9,740	3,825	23,447	25,330
Singapore	10,282	15,647	102,076	117,985
South Korea	679	1,677	22,642	14,216
Sri Lanka	35	52	586	313
Syria	-	-	31	-
Taiwan	89	94	5,509	6,078
Tajikistan	-	-	-	-
Thailand	584	416	3,735	2,670
Turkmenistan	-	3	-	15
United Arab Emirates	2,171	3,237	22,896	30,415
Uzbekistan	-	-	113	8
Vietnam	482	989	2,079	3,299

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Yemen Arab Republic	1,642	1,536	2,969	4,488
Total Asia	57,232	58,640	462,405	409,532
North and Central America				
Anguilla	-	-	-	-
Antigua & Barbuda	-	-	11	0
Aruba	-	-	-	-
Bahamas	546	5	573	5
Barbados	-	-	464	-
Belize	-	-	71	79
Bermuda	-	-	-	7
Bonaire, St. Eustatius & Saba	-	-	-	-
Canada	1,640	2,218	16,417	24,628
Cayman Islands	-	-	31	200
Costa Rica	69	0	238	188
Cuba	37	38	422	332
Curacao	-	-	-	2,967
Dominica	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	6	98	542	687
El Salvador	-	-	-	-
Greenland	-	-	-	-
Grenada	-	-	468	37
Guatemala	-	2	15	2
Haiti	-	25	392	25
Honduras	-	-	3,069	-
Jamaica	12	6	52	6
Mexico	453	829	9,528	8,500
Montserrat	-	-	-	-
Nicaragua	-	-	-	-
Panama	-	-	24	109
Sint Maarten	-	-	-	867
St. Barthelemy	-	-	-	-
St. Kitts & Nevis	-	-	-	-
St. Lucia	-	-	-	-
St. Pierre & Miquelon	-	-	-	-
St. Vincent	-	-	-	-

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Trinidad & Tobago	-	-	-	33
Turks & Caicos Islands	-	-	-	3
United States Of America	10,133	10,799	93,979	233,665
Virgin Islands (American)	-	-	-	-
Virgin Islands Tortola (British)	-	-	-	-
Total North and Central America	12,896	14,020	126,296	272,343
South America				
Argentina	177	14,118	25,820	25,793
Bolivia	-	-	-	-
Brazil	147	372	1,890	1,750
Chile	277	24	1,211	2,377
Colombia	23	1	258	501
Ecuador	-	-	1	184
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	-	-	-	-
Guyana	-	-	201	470
Paraguay	-	-	1,089	17
Peru	4	-	4	29
Surinam	-	-	-	-
Uruguay	-	-	3	-
Venezuela	194	-	232	-
Total South America	821	14,515	30,709	31,122
Oceania				
American Samoa	-	-	-	-
Antarctica	-	-	-	-
Australia	2,480	5,510	23,441	31,582
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-
Cocos Island	-	-	-	-
Cook Island	-	-	-	-
Fiji	-	-	67	-
French Southern Territories	-	-	-	-
Guam	-	-	25	-
Heard & McDonald Islands	-	-	-	-
Kiribati	246	-	246	-
Mariana Islands (Northern)	-	-	-	-
Marshall Island	-	-	-	-

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

€ 000

Region/Country	September		January-September	
	2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Micronesia	-	-	-	-
Nauru	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	1	-	1	-
New Zealand	44	3	927	1,078
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	2,772	5,512	24,707	33,286
Ships and Aircrafts Stores				
Countries and Territories Not Specified - External Trade	-	-	-	-
Countries not specified for Commercial or Military Reasons - Exte	-	-	-	-
High Seas	-	-	-	-
Stores and Provisions - Extra Community Trade	110,498	135,404	909,225	1,002,026
Total Ships and Aircrafts Stores	110,498	135,404	909,225	1,002,026
Grand Total	388,375	449,292	3,247,482	3,630,965

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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

Continent/Region	September						January-September					
	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	
Europe	301.8	150.7	-151.1	276.7	133.8	-142.9	2,846.5	1216.4	-1,630.1	2,737.7	1,201.3	
European Union	253.8	136.3	-117.5	233.5	102.5	-131.1	2,381.3	1,075.7	-1,305.7	2,293.6	1,018.1	
Euro area	238.7	117.4	-121.3	215.5	86.6	-128.9	2,236.8	942.9	-1,293.9	2,143.3	871.6	
EFTA countries	6.1	2.7	-3.4	2.4	7.3	4.9	46.6	40.3	-6.3	32.1	37.1	
Other European countries	41.9	11.7	-30.2	40.8	24.0	-16.7	418.6	100.4	-318.2	412.1	146.0	
Africa	24.2	39.8	15.5	12.4	51.0	38.6	116.0	272.3	156.4	77.7	289.2	
Asia	109.6	52.8	-56.9	116.0	58.5	-57.5	1,005.4	453.3	-552.1	1,093.9	407.9	
North and Central America	11.2	12.8	1.6	19.3	13.4	-5.9	89.7	121.2	31.5	130.9	135.3	
South America	3.6	0.8	-2.8	3.7	14.5	10.8	19.3	30.7	11.4	24.9	31.1	
Oceania	0.6	2.8	2.2	0.4	5.5	5.1	5.2	24.6	19.4	5.4	33.3	
Ships and Aircraft Stores	-	7.6	7.6	-	12.5	12.5	-	41.1	41.1	-	50.6	
Grand Total	451.1	267.2	-183.9	428.6	289.1	-139.5	4,082.1	2,159.7	-1,922.4	4,070.5	2,148.7	

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¹ Data excluding chapters 27, 88 and 89. Refer to methodological note 8.

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

€ million

**Balance of
Trade**

-1,536.4

-1,275.5

-1,271.7

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

€ million

Trade chapter	Chapter description	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
Imports					
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	153.7	274.0	1,484.7	2,026.8
85	Electrical machinery etc.	88.5	72.4	771.1	823.6
30	Pharmaceutical products	36.8	40.5	289.7	358.9
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	35.6	39.5	380.4	379.7
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	48.9	34.9	627.0	599.9
87	Vehicles (excluding trains) and parts thereof	25.2	24.6	302.4	278.8
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	16.8	16.6	173.7	156.7
48	Paper and paperboard articles	12.5	15.1	120.6	107.2
71	Pearls, precious stones/metals and imitation jewellery	2.6	14.6	21.8	34.9
03	Fish and crustaceans, etc.	34.7	13.2	164.2	79.1
88	Aircraft/spacecraft and parts thereof	5.6	13.0	446.8	226.3
73	Articles of iron or steel	7.1	10.8	97.3	84.7
29	Organic chemicals	3.9	9.9	60.2	97.3
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	8.9	9.7	86.5	84.2
61	Knitted clothing	6.9	8.5	72.2	76.0
Exports					
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	114.2	158.0	966.9	1,294.7
85	Electrical machinery etc.	96.7	80.5	840.8	757.6
49	Printed books, newspapers	27.1	64.8	235.7	234.2
30	Pharmaceutical products	43.2	38.4	282.2	323.9
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	12.3	15.1	116.8	118.5
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	10.2	12.2	77.6	86.2
95	Toys, games and sports requisites	7.9	10.9	78.3	87.1
71	Pearls, precious stones/metals and imitation jewellery	0.7	10.6	5.0	21.2
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	11.1	10.2	49.4	55.9
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	8.0	6.3	59.9	59.7
40	Rubber and articles of rubber	12.4	6.3	70.2	61.1
99	Special classifications	4.3	5.2	30.1	36.0
19	Preparations of cereals	5.8	5.1	15.8	18.9
03	Fish and crustaceans, etc.	0.9	3.8	46.3	24.0
64	Footwear, gaiters etc.and parts	2.1	3.3	30.1	33.4

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Notes:

- Table 6 is based on the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1998. Refer to methodological note 13.
- Figures for Chapter 27 include 'Industrial supplies, primary' and 'Industrial supplies, processed'.
- Totals may not add up due to rounding.
- 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	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
01	Live animals	84	3	252	226
02	Meat and edible offal	7,833	8,378	70,562	76,571
03	Fish and crustaceans, etc.	34,660	13,186	164,155	79,132
04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs	7,183	6,754	57,986	63,606
05	Products of animal origin	238	35	345	169
06	Live trees and plants	657	697	5,175	5,170
07	Edible vegetables	3,084	3,489	24,479	27,390
08	Edible fruit and nuts	5,258	6,520	39,817	47,967
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	1,214	1,238	10,579	10,385
10	Cereals	1,308	572	26,548	28,831
11	Milling industry products	1,779	835	12,908	10,418
12	Oil seeds, oleaginous fruits	541	941	6,896	7,683
13	Lac, gums, resins, etc.	167	23	1,223	1,377
14	Vegetable plaiting products	3	3	16	19
15	Animal/vegetable fats/oil	2,064	1,788	15,894	16,371
16	Preparations of meat/fish	6,728	5,673	54,188	53,535
17	Sugars and sugar confectionary	3,294	1,818	16,951	19,767
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	2,273	2,646	17,746	18,027
19	Preparations of cereals	9,475	7,824	73,961	74,841
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	4,297	3,529	33,653	37,943
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	5,317	5,186	51,925	52,130
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	8,928	9,708	86,453	84,239
23	Food residues and waste	3,292	4,303	36,511	34,394
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	3,192	4,727	29,669	29,125
25	Salt/sulphur/earths/plastering materials and cement	3,513	4,105	40,887	43,346
26	Ores, slag and ash	0	0	45	40
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	153,683	273,976	1,484,681	2,026,814
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	1,025	761	6,576	7,404
29	Organic chemicals	3,893	9,928	60,248	97,300
30	Pharmaceutical products	36,812	40,494	289,717	358,898

Table 6a. Total Imports by period and trade chapter

€ 000

Trade chapter	Chapter description	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
31	Fertilisers	135	136	1,751	1,500
32	Tanning/dyeing extracts and paints	8,361	6,309	57,682	52,825
33	Essential oils and toilet preparations	6,619	6,226	55,885	59,017
34	Soap, etc, lubricants, waxes, dental preparations	2,698	2,839	26,727	28,047
35	Albuminoidal substances	960	861	6,860	6,999
36	Explosives/pyrotechnic	5	9	255	99
37	Photographic/cinema	100	112	1,312	1,611
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	3,499	2,904	31,679	35,473
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	16,784	16,570	173,720	156,702
40	Rubber and articles of rubber	3,230	1,979	29,011	22,890
41	Raw hides and skins (excluding furskins) and leather	10	6	76	85
42	Articles of leather; saddlery	1,825	1,929	26,775	18,052
43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	30	19	83	75
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	2,147	2,001	24,222	22,964
45	Cork and articles of cork	12	9	159	160
46	Manufactures of straw, etc.	30	15	355	403
47	Pulp of wood, etc.; paper waste	1	0	202	169
48	Paper and paperboard articles	12,503	15,096	120,551	107,209
49	Printed books, newspapers	3,073	1,424	17,667	21,668
50	Silk	14	29	106	176
51	Woven fabric of wool/fine animal hair	1	2	358	80
52	Cotton	22	111	415	381
53	Other vegetable textile fibres	24	27	286	185
54	Man-made filaments	471	880	7,062	4,748
55	Man-made staple fibres	104	54	1,094	1,025
56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens	381	369	4,464	4,095
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	179	243	2,111	3,081
58	Special woven fabrics	126	116	1,212	874
59	Impregnated/coated/laminated textile fabrics	233	160	1,832	1,739
60	Knitted/crocheted fabrics	31	60	587	555

Table 6a. Total Imports by period and trade chapter

€ 000

Trade chapter	Chapter description	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
61	Knitted clothing	6,855	8,536	72,183	75,966
62	Woven clothing	6,117	5,281	59,479	48,862
63	Made up textile articles	1,640	1,587	14,321	17,108
64	Footwear, gaiters etc.and parts	4,568	4,902	54,886	50,803
65	Headgear and parts thereof	257	247	2,724	3,718
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas and parts	67	79	1,989	2,149
67	Prepared feathers/down articles	137	63	1,236	1,253
68	Articles of stone/plaster/cement etc.	2,567	1,466	20,309	18,299
69	Ceramic products	3,069	2,613	30,595	29,126
70	Glass and glassware	1,791	2,088	22,955	18,786
71	Pearls, precious stones/metals and imitation jewellery	2,567	14,642	21,794	34,915
72	Iron and steel	5,555	4,765	43,778	38,081
73	Articles of iron or steel	7,117	10,827	97,257	84,679
74	Copper and articles thereof	2,124	2,223	16,490	19,065
75	Nickel and articles thereof	101	89	963	974
76	Aluminium and articles thereof	3,296	2,469	39,384	30,986
78	Lead and articles thereof	25	11	45	98
79	Zinc and articles thereof	141	114	960	610
80	Tin and articles thereof	0	2	58	61
81	Other base metals/cermets and articles thereof	66	124	820	977
82	Tools, implements/cutlery etc., parts	1,321	798	10,470	9,351
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	1,329	1,420	14,007	16,970
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	35,608	39,524	380,402	379,704
85	Electrical machinery etc.	88,480	72,428	771,112	823,580
86	Railway locomotives, etc., parts	85	14	1,003	511
87	Vehicles (excluding trains) and parts thereof	25,230	24,627	302,378	278,784
88	Aircraft/spacecraft and parts thereof	5,589	12,959	446,798	226,293
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	48,850	34,930	627,010	599,903
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	10,858	7,508	99,252	77,597
91	Clocks and watches/parts	2,119	1,615	14,069	20,095

Table 6a. Total Imports by period and trade chapter

€ 000

Trade chapter	Chapter description	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
92	Musical instruments and parts thereof	151	105	1,141	1,076
93	Arms and ammunition and parts thereof	250	127	2,047	2,500
94	Furniture; bedding, etc.	10,017	7,920	106,516	95,808
95	Toys, games and sports requisites	3,654	3,025	26,261	26,690
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,493	1,289	15,595	14,399
97	Works of art, collector's pieces and antiques	610	312	5,536	4,165
98	Complete industrial plant	-	-	-	3,347
99	Special classifications	72	71	179	261
Total		659,174	750,437	6,640,546	6,923,549

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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	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
01	Live animals	6	1	468	222
02	Meat and edible offal	12	17	315	225
03	Fish and crustaceans, etc.	940	3,834	46,329	24,003
04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs	466	53	939	1,247
05	Products of animal origin	-	-	17	-
06	Live trees and plants	-	-	-	1
07	Edible vegetables	3	0	442	65
08	Edible fruit and nuts	21	2	41	68
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	0	-	90	1
10	Cereals	7	6	2,395	8,644
11	Milling industry products	1,042	772	2,181	2,844
12	Oil seeds, oleaginous fruits	36	2	84	111
13	Lac, gums, resins, etc.	1	3	37	171
14	Vegetable plaiting products	-	-	-	-
15	Animal/vegetable fats/oil	43	122	252	478
16	Preparations of meat/fish	12	4	37	130
17	Sugars and sugar confectionary	0	83	8	252
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	215	63	514	224
19	Preparations of cereals	5,753	5,101	15,837	18,940
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	2	50	121	150
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	11,133	10,227	49,443	55,921
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	673	885	7,369	8,191
23	Food residues and waste	14	61	1,222	1,449
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	1,406	193	12,131	5,250
25	Salt/sulphur/earths/plastering materials and cement	6	12	88	89
26	Ores, slag and ash	-	-	4	-
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	114,173	157,986	966,881	1,294,748
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	263	16	1,279	722
29	Organic chemicals	3,022	913	54,969	37,675
30	Pharmaceutical products	43,186	38,370	282,200	323,901

Table 6b. Total Exports by period and trade chapter

€ 000

Trade chapter	Chapter description	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
31	Fertilisers	-	-	0	-
32	Tanning/dyeing extracts and paints	63	148	574	693
33	Essential oils and toilet preparations	3,502	1,291	15,894	13,549
34	Soap, etc, lubricants, waxes, dental preparations	140	13	440	528
35	Albuminoidal substances	39	31	470	499
36	Explosives/pyrotechnic	-	2	-	8
37	Photographic/cinema	44	34	626	469
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	1,729	1,497	7,304	22,279
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	8,025	6,309	59,920	59,696
40	Rubber and articles of rubber	12,403	6,286	70,247	61,102
41	Raw hides and skins (excluding furskins) and leather	21	-	57	29
42	Articles of leather; saddlery	187	190	7,521	2,676
43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	0	-	0	4
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	14	98	176	420
45	Cork and articles of cork	-	-	9	1
46	Manufactures of straw, etc.	0	1	6	5
47	Pulp of wood, etc.; paper waste	170	335	1,995	2,822
48	Paper and paperboard articles	171	124	6,346	6,369
49	Printed books, newspapers	27,137	64,759	235,705	234,218
50	Silk	0	36	2	261
51	Woven fabric of wool/fine animal hair	-	-	348	182
52	Cotton	-	32	-	56
53	Other vegetable textile fibres	-	-	71	4
54	Man-made filaments	155	519	4,769	3,601
55	Man-made staple fibres	-	-	148	10
56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens	13	4	77	84
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	841	45	856	807
58	Special woven fabrics	-	-	84	1
59	Impregnated/coated/laminated textile fabrics	0	0	59	139
60	Knitted/crocheted fabrics	2,260	1,917	19,323	18,352

Table 6b. Total Exports by period and trade chapter

€ 000

Trade chapter	Chapter description	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
61	Knitted clothing	1,246	1,697	19,755	17,592
62	Woven clothing	377	365	3,663	3,438
63	Made up textile articles	121	64	1,287	607
64	Footwear, gaiters etc.and parts	2,077	3,293	30,056	33,384
65	Headgear and parts thereof	13	9	177	95
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas and parts	0	-	5	5
67	Prepared feathers/down articles	0	0	3	35
68	Articles of stone/plaster/cement etc.	0	4	88	23
69	Ceramic products	2	21	54	80
70	Glass and glassware	260	284	3,902	2,884
71	Pearls, precious stones/metals and imitation jewellery	653	10,579	4,954	21,167
72	Iron and steel	610	346	12,767	16,755
73	Articles of iron or steel	219	510	4,189	21,882
74	Copper and articles thereof	329	560	4,167	2,522
75	Nickel and articles thereof	-	-	1	1
76	Aluminium and articles thereof	351	371	2,913	3,187
78	Lead and articles thereof	1	2	82	22
79	Zinc and articles thereof	-	-	5	9
80	Tin and articles thereof	-	-	25	-
81	Other base metals/cermets and articles thereof	-	-	5	2
82	Tools, implements/cutlery etc., parts	39	87	945	675
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	26	67	507	458
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	12,335	15,121	116,850	118,490
85	Electrical machinery etc.	96,679	80,545	840,770	757,572
86	Railway locomotives, etc., parts	-	-	275	64
87	Vehicles (excluding trains) and parts thereof	973	1,242	6,326	7,396
88	Aircraft/spacecraft and parts thereof	6,651	1,703	45,673	164,051
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	384	493	75,248	23,455
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	10,196	12,204	77,587	86,221
91	Clocks and watches/parts	438	609	3,164	7,414

Table 6b. Total Exports by period and trade chapter

€ 000

Trade chapter	Chapter description	September		January-September	
		2023 ^P	2024 ^P	2023 ^P	2024 ^P
92	Musical instruments and parts thereof	3	20	31	33
93	Arms and ammunition and parts thereof	-	4	23	30
94	Furniture; bedding, etc.	241	59	1,383	1,406
95	Toys, games and sports requisites	7,886	10,864	78,260	87,074
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	97	17	430	250
97	Works of art, collector's pieces and antiques	2,489	486	3,081	2,109
98	Complete industrial plant	-	-	-	-
99	Special classifications	4,333	5,217	30,112	35,989
Total		388,375	449,292	3,247,482	3,630,965

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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:

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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](#).

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