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Provisional figures for registered trade in Malta recorded a trade deficit of €139.5 million during August 2020, compared to a deficit of €278.8 million in the corresponding month of 2019.

## International Trade in Goods: August 2020

Cut-off date:  
2 October 2020

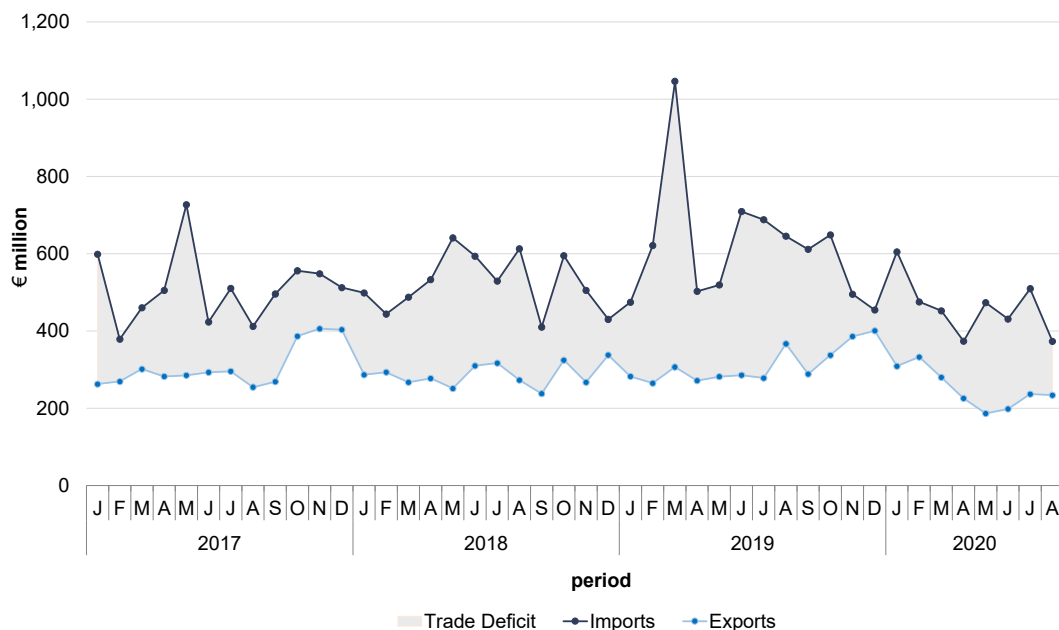
Data in this news release presents all international trade in goods registered up to the indicated cut-off date (refer to methodological notes). Provisional data for registered international trade recorded a trade deficit of €139.5 million during August, compared to a deficit of €278.8 million in the corresponding month of 2019. Both imports and exports registered decreases of €272.0 million and €132.8 million respectively when compared to the same month last year (Table 1). The decrease in the value of imports was primarily due to machinery and transport equipment (€221.4 million) and mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€51.4 million). On the exports side, the main decreases were also registered in machinery and transport equipment (€68.7 million) and in mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€51.1 million) (Table 2).

### January-August 2020

During the first eight months of this year, the trade deficit narrowed by €1,177.7 million when compared to the corresponding period of 2019, reaching €1,691.2 million. Both imports and exports decreased by €1,513.2 million and €335.5 million respectively (Table 1). Lower imports were mainly recorded in machinery and transport equipment (€1,026.8 million) and mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€392.2 million). On the exports side mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (€254.3 million) accounted for the main decrease (Table 2).

Imports from the European Union reached €1,878.3 million, or 50.9 per cent of total imports. There was a decrease of €247.1 million in imports from euro area countries when compared to the same period in 2019. Main increases and decreases in imports were registered from Canada (€123.0 million) and the United Kingdom (€951.4 million) respectively. With respect to exports, the main increase was directed to Singapore (€12.9 million), whereas Italy registered the highest decrease (€127.1 million) (Table 3) ■

Chart 1. International Trade in Goods - monthly



**Table 1. Trade in goods by period and broad economic category**

€ million

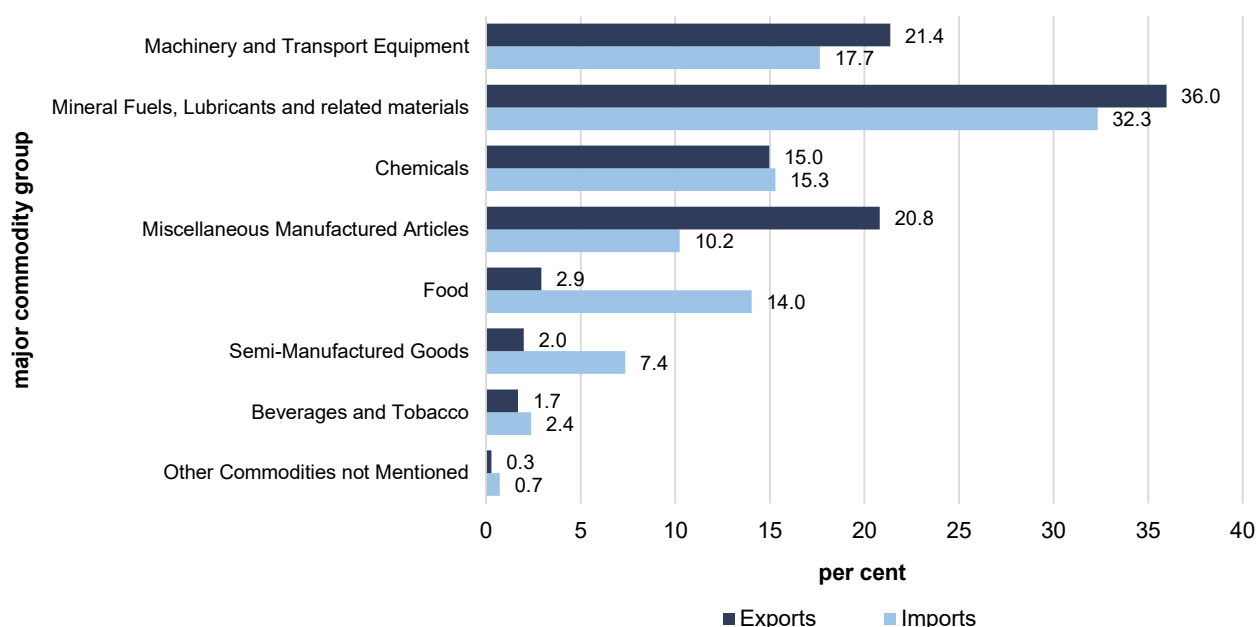
Broad economic category	2018 <sup>P</sup>	2019 <sup>P</sup>	August		January-August	
			2019 <sup>P</sup>	2020 <sup>P</sup>	2019 <sup>P</sup>	2020 <sup>P</sup>
			<b>Imports</b>	<b>6,279.2</b>	<b>7,414.9</b>	<b>645.3</b>
<b>Industrial Supplies</b>	<b>1,471.8</b>	<b>1,658.2</b>	<b>119.4</b>	<b>106.9</b>	<b>1,092.1</b>	<b>904.3</b>
Primary	125.7	116.5	5.2	10.3	67.0	59.3
Semi-Finished	1,140.7	1,337.2	107.1	91.2	868.1	772.5
Finished	205.4	204.4	7.1	5.4	157.0	72.6
<b>Capital Goods and Others</b>	<b>1,401.6</b>	<b>2,374.5</b>	<b>236.0</b>	<b>32.3</b>	<b>1,930.7</b>	<b>1,049.2</b>
<b>Consumer Goods</b>	<b>1,471.3</b>	<b>1,551.0</b>	<b>118.0</b>	<b>113.4</b>	<b>1,009.0</b>	<b>931.4</b>
Food and Beverages	546.1	558.4	44.5	39.9	364.7	312.9
Durable Goods	497.2	549.1	39.8	35.9	354.7	313.2
Others	428.0	443.6	33.8	37.7	289.7	305.3
<b>Fuels and Lubricants</b>	<b>1,934.5</b>	<b>1,831.2</b>	<b>171.9</b>	<b>120.7</b>	<b>1,174.0</b>	<b>807.6</b>
<b>Exports</b>	<b>3,440.9</b>	<b>3,748.7</b>	<b>366.6</b>	<b>233.8</b>	<b>2,336.9</b>	<b>2,001.4</b>
<i>of which:</i>						
Exports of Fuels and Lubricants	986.6	1,079.3	132.6	84.1	723.1	496.0
<b>Balance of Trade</b>	<b>-2,838.3</b>	<b>-3,666.2</b>	<b>-278.8</b>	<b>-139.5</b>	<b>-2,868.9</b>	<b>-1,691.2</b>

<sup>P</sup> Provisional

Notes:

1. Table 1 is based on the United Nations Statistical Division BEC codes (Broad Economic Categories). Figures for 'Fuels and Lubricants' refer to BEC 0031 and BEC 0032; respectively 'Fuels and lubricants, primary' and 'Fuels and lubricants, processed'.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.
3. A disaggregation by quarter is available on the excel version of this news release:  
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**Chart 2. Percentage distribution of registered trade in August 2020 by major commodity group**



Notes:

1. The commodity breakdown is in accordance with the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) Rev. 3.
2. "Other Commodities not Mentioned" includes the commodity groups "Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities", "Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats" and "Crude Materials".
3. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 2. Balance of trade in goods by period and major commodity group

€ million

Major commodity group	2018 <sup>P</sup>	2019 <sup>P</sup>	August		January-August	
			2019 <sup>P</sup>	2020 <sup>P</sup>	2019 <sup>P</sup>	2020 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Imports</b>	<b>6,279.2</b>	<b>7,414.9</b>	<b>645.3</b>	<b>373.3</b>	<b>5,205.8</b>	<b>3,692.6</b>
Food	628.7	609.6	47.9	52.4	385.2	344.1
Beverages and Tobacco	109.8	128.3	10.3	8.9	83.7	70.2
Crude Materials	27.4	36.4	3.6	1.9	25.4	20.2
Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	1,947.0	1,865.1	172.1	120.7	1,205.1	812.9
Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	9.6	9.7	0.8	0.6	6.6	6.0
Chemicals	603.1	687.7	46.1	57.1	429.2	434.8
Semi-Manufactured Goods	413.8	441.3	33.5	27.4	290.6	295.0
Machinery and Transport Equipment	2,005.0	3,054.5	287.3	65.9	2,410.7	1,383.9
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	529.5	577.8	43.4	38.2	366.8	323.0
Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities	5.2	4.6	0.3	0.2	2.5	2.4
<b>Exports</b>	<b>3,440.9</b>	<b>3,748.7</b>	<b>366.6</b>	<b>233.8</b>	<b>2,336.9</b>	<b>2,001.4</b>
Food	345.3	287.4	8.3	6.8	99.8	75.8
Beverages and Tobacco	44.6	46.9	4.9	4.0	30.1	32.9
Crude Materials	13.3	10.0	0.3	0.7	6.7	7.0
Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	1,048.6	1,109.0	135.2	84.1	750.3	496.0
Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Chemicals	387.0	523.6	38.1	35.0	291.9	298.7
Semi-Manufactured Goods	153.8	137.8	8.0	4.6	99.0	63.3
Machinery and Transport Equipment	957.1	1,025.5	118.6	49.9	689.5	616.6
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	488.8	605.8	53.2	48.7	367.5	410.1
Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities	2.5	2.6	0.0	0.0	2.1	1.0
<b>Balance of Trade</b>	<b>-2,838.3</b>	<b>-3,666.2</b>	<b>-278.8</b>	<b>-139.5</b>	<b>-2,868.9</b>	<b>-1,691.2</b>
Food	-283.4	-322.2	-39.6	-45.6	-285.4	-268.3
Beverages and Tobacco	-65.2	-81.3	-5.4	-4.9	-53.7	-37.3
Crude Materials	-14.1	-26.4	-3.3	-1.3	-18.7	-13.2
Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	-898.4	-756.1	-36.9	-36.6	-454.8	-316.9
Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	-9.6	-9.6	-0.8	-0.6	-6.6	-6.0
Chemicals	-216.1	-164.2	-8.0	-22.1	-137.3	-136.1
Semi-Manufactured Goods	-260.0	-303.4	-25.5	-22.8	-191.6	-231.7
Machinery and Transport Equipment	-1,047.9	-2,029.0	-168.7	-15.9	-1,721.2	-767.4
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	-40.7	27.9	9.7	10.4	0.7	87.1
Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities	-2.7	-1.9	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-1.4

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Notes:

1. The commodity breakdown is in accordance with the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) Rev. 3.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 3. Direction of trade in goods by period and by region/country

€ million

Region/Country	August						January-August					
	2019 <sup>P</sup>			2020 <sup>P</sup>			2019 <sup>P</sup>			2020 <sup>P</sup>		
	Arrivals/ Imports	Dispatches/ Exports	Balance of Trade	Arrivals/ Imports	Dispatches/ Exports	Balance of Trade	Arrivals/ Imports	Dispatches/ Exports	Balance of Trade	Arrivals/ Imports	Dispatches/ Exports	Balance of Trade
<b>Europe</b>	<b>486.3</b>	<b>150.4</b>	<b>-335.9</b>	<b>250.3</b>	<b>81.2</b>	<b>-169.1</b>	<b>4,007.1</b>	<b>1,182.7</b>	<b>-2,824.4</b>	<b>2,409.1</b>	<b>853.8</b>	<b>-1,555.3</b>
<i>of which:</i>												
<b>European Union</b>	<b>399.9</b>	<b>139.0</b>	<b>-260.9</b>	<b>169.8</b>	<b>76.3</b>	<b>-93.5</b>	<b>2,339.5</b>	<b>1,103.8</b>	<b>-1,235.7</b>	<b>1,878.3</b>	<b>793.2</b>	<b>-1,085.1</b>
<i>of which:</i>												
euro area	196.9	110.3	-86.6	160.6	61.8	-98.8	2,024.2	928.9	-1,095.3	1,777.1	675.0	-1,102.1
<i>of which:</i>												
Italy	86.0	34.1	-51.9	58.0	10.4	-47.7	792.5	220.0	-572.5	652.5	92.9	-559.5
France	41.5	19.1	-22.3	28.8	11.4	-17.4	324.5	198.3	-126.2	227.8	131.0	-96.8
Germany	26.9	44.7	17.9	18.1	27.0	8.9	336.8	323.3	-13.5	225.6	313.5	87.9
Netherlands	15.3	4.2	-11.1	11.5	4.0	-7.5	142.0	51.2	-90.8	107.5	37.4	-70.0
Greece	5.2	0.6	-4.5	7.7	2.9	-4.8	125.1	17.3	-107.8	59.1	7.2	-51.9
Belgium	4.9	0.4	-4.5	4.5	0.1	-4.4	68.1	3.2	-64.9	48.3	2.8	-45.5
<b>EFTA Countries</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>-8.9</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>44.6</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>-26.5</b>	<b>30.3</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>-17.6</b>
<i>of which:</i>												
Switzerland	3.0	2.0	-0.9	2.0	0.7	-1.4	27.9	15.5	-12.4	21.6	9.9	-11.8
<b>Other European Countries</b>	<b>75.3</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>-66.1</b>	<b>78.3</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>-74.3</b>	<b>1,623.0</b>	<b>60.8</b>	<b>-1,562.1</b>	<b>500.4</b>	<b>47.9</b>	<b>-452.6</b>
<i>of which:</i>												
United Kingdom*	43.6	6.1	-37.5	37.2	1.8	-35.4	1,213.1	40.9	-1,172.2	261.7	23.2	-238.6
Turkey	9.6	2.0	-7.6	27.7	1.7	-26.0	188.9	14.3	-174.6	142.8	14.9	-127.8
<b>Asia</b>	<b>103.4</b>	<b>71.0</b>	<b>-32.4</b>	<b>77.8</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>-33.3</b>	<b>673.4</b>	<b>380.0</b>	<b>-293.4</b>	<b>675.8</b>	<b>392.4</b>	<b>-283.4</b>
<i>of which:</i>												
China	24.6	5.6	-19.0	21.1	2.4	-18.7	173.0	23.0	-149.9	290.0	22.1	-267.9
India	11.2	1.2	-10.0	16.8	0.6	-16.2	106.2	10.7	-95.5	125.2	11.3	-113.8
Singapore	7.9	14.5	6.6	7.2	11.7	4.5	33.1	95.7	62.6	27.3	108.6	81.4
Israel	26.0	0.2	-25.8	7.0	0.3	-6.7	128.2	1.9	-126.3	53.5	3.7	-49.8
Saudi Arabia	0.0	0.8	0.8	6.1	4.7	-1.4	39.1	4.0	-35.1	11.9	12.5	0.6
<b>North and Central America</b>	<b>26.8</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>-14.5</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>128.9</b>	<b>131.6</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>237.2</b>	<b>98.0</b>	<b>-139.3</b>
<i>of which:</i>												
United States of America	26.1	10.7	-15.5	3.4	7.6	4.3	102.8	113.0	10.2	91.9	83.8	-8.1
Canada	0.4	1.1	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.5	21.1	11.2	-10.0	144.1	9.6	-134.5
<b>Africa</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>83.7</b>	<b>78.5</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>26.5</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>90.6</b>	<b>265.0</b>	<b>174.4</b>	<b>178.8</b>	<b>269.7</b>	<b>90.9</b>
<i>of which:</i>												
Algeria	0.0	16.9	16.9	9.1	1.0	-8.1	0.0	26.7	26.7	94.4	8.4	-86.0
<b>Australia and Oceania</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>111.3</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>-106.9</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>-8.7</b>
<b>South America</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>-1.5</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>-9.0</b>
<b>Caribbean and Bahamas Islands</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>-21.2</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-19.3</b>	<b>178.7</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>-175.8</b>	<b>165.0</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>-160.8</b>
<b>Ships and Aircraft Stores</b>	-	<b>48.0</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>71.5</b>	<b>71.5</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>351.5</b>	<b>351.4</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>374.3</b>	<b>374.3</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>645.3</b>	<b>366.6</b>	<b>-278.8</b>	<b>373.3</b>	<b>233.8</b>	<b>-139.5</b>	<b>5,205.8</b>	<b>2,336.9</b>	<b>-2,868.9</b>	<b>3,692.6</b>	<b>2,001.4</b>	<b>-1,691.2</b>

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\* For the exclusion/inclusion of the United Kingdom in the European Union computation, refer to methodological note 7 (ii).

## Notes:

1. Ranking is based according to top countries of import for the period under review.
2. Arrivals/Dispatches relate to registered transactions with EU Member States.
3. Imports/Exports relate to registered transactions with Non-EU Member States (see methodological notes for country groupings).
4. Totals may not add up due to rounding.
5. A full list of countries is available on the excel version of this news release:

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Table 4. Trade in goods by period and principal traded commodities

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Chapter number	Commodity description	August		January-August	
		2019 <sup>P</sup>	2020 <sup>P</sup>	2019 <sup>P</sup>	2020 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Main imports</b>					
02	Meat and edible offal	4,412	5,803	40,070	35,644
03	Fish and crustaceans, etc.	9,128	18,458	60,952	51,741
04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs	4,224	3,862	35,997	34,011
16	Preparations of meat/fish	4,964	4,151	35,452	33,148
19	Preparations of cereals	4,878	3,446	45,545	38,567
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	2,833	2,227	21,950	17,757
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	3,694	2,995	29,625	25,483
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	7,431	5,786	55,582	38,573
23	Food residues and waste	2,888	2,194	21,038	21,846
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	2,986	3,116	28,714	32,081
25	Salt/sulphur/earths/plastering materials and cement	3,213	2,919	26,272	27,973
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	173,378	120,727	1,208,848	812,908
29	Organic chemicals	6,009	10,835	85,902	66,040
30	Pharmaceutical products	17,384	23,978	162,252	192,810
32	Tanning/dyeing extracts and paints	5,713	5,591	33,402	37,075
33	Essential oils and toilet preparations	4,255	3,402	30,573	25,061
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	1,910	2,342	17,953	20,281
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	13,037	12,511	117,184	114,039
48	Paper and paperboard articles	10,570	6,037	68,734	79,376
61	Knitted clothing	6,985	6,503	48,059	41,571
62	Woven clothing	4,099	4,096	36,482	39,479
64	Footwear, gaiters etc.and parts	4,242	2,689	39,498	25,293
69	Ceramic products	2,202	2,207	20,233	18,607
73	Articles of iron or steel	4,764	3,754	46,700	40,322
76	Aluminium and articles thereof	1,637	2,086	16,574	14,964
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	29,110	20,384	275,516	201,469
85	Electrical machinery etc.	51,381	35,402	389,769	331,276
87	Vehicles (excluding trains) and parts thereof	16,113	9,083	130,467	103,910
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	4,966	4,862	51,554	55,017
94	Furniture; bedding, etc.	5,458	5,356	52,809	42,932
<b>Main exports</b>					
03	Fish and crustaceans, etc.	4,673	1,052	57,856	37,988
19	Preparations of cereals	412	2,369	7,498	7,696
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	2,782	3,296	31,347	27,172
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	1,637	2,197	11,330	25,059
27	Mineral fuels, oils and products	135,117	84,071	749,699	495,327
29	Organic chemicals	7,200	4,663	41,747	32,753
30	Pharmaceutical products	23,886	26,008	198,163	221,462
33	Essential oils and toilet preparations	1,628	1,414	12,858	8,560
39	Plastics and articles of plastics	7,629	5,063	56,884	56,537
40	Rubber and articles of rubber	4,163	2,386	39,996	31,898
49	Printed books, newspapers	15,862	17,110	107,871	169,620
60	Knitted/crocheted fabrics	1,754	854	15,935	14,112
61	Knitted clothing	3,688	2,139	12,901	14,741
64	Footwear, gaiters, etc. and parts	3,029	963	20,375	13,672
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances	45,576	9,087	130,671	79,213
85	Electrical machinery etc.	55,028	40,178	436,762	389,949
90	Optical/photographic/cinematographic instruments	4,901	10,502	55,619	63,611
95	Toys, games and sports requisites	15,198	13,244	100,604	101,031
99	Special classifications	3,887	1,535	22,204	8,327

<sup>P</sup> Provisional

Notes:

- Table 4 is based on the World Customs Organisations Harmonised System (HS) codes. Figures for chapter 27 include 'Industrial supplies, primary' and 'Industrial supplies, processed'.
- A full list of chapters is available on the excel version of this news release:  
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- Totals may not add up due to rounding.

## 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 for up to two (2) years after the reference period. 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:
  - a. 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 131 of 2004, and
  - b. 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.
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  - i. Up to 31 December 2014, the euro area included Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia (from 2014), Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia and Spain. From 1 January 2015, the euro area also includes Lithuania. Trade data for Lithuania is included with the euro area data as from reference month January 2015.
  - ii. The European Union includes Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia (from July 2013), Cyprus, 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 February 1, 2020, the United Kingdom is no longer part of the European Union.  
  
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. EFTA (European Free Trade Association) countries comprise Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.
8. More detailed and disaggregated data not appearing in this release is available in the excel version of this release or upon request from the NSO.
9. More information relating to this news release may be accessed at:  
Sources and Methods: [https://nso.gov.mt/en/nso/Sources\\_and\\_Methods/Unit\\_A4/International\\_Trade/Pages/External-Trade-Statistics.aspx](https://nso.gov.mt/en/nso/Sources_and_Methods/Unit_A4/International_Trade/Pages/External-Trade-Statistics.aspx)  
Statistical Concepts: <http://nso.gov.mt/metadata/concepts.aspx>  
Metadata: <http://nso.gov.mt/metadata/reports.aspx?id=7>  
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10. References to this news release are to be cited appropriately.
11. A detailed news release calendar is available on: [https://nso.gov.mt/en/News\\_Releases/Release\\_Calendar/Pages/News-Release-Calendar.aspx](https://nso.gov.mt/en/News_Releases/Release_Calendar/Pages/News-Release-Calendar.aspx)