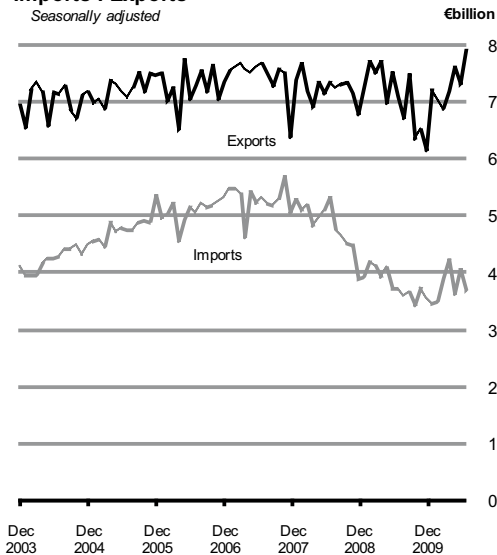




**Imports v Exports**  
*Seasonally adjusted*



## External Trade

June 2010 (Provisional details)  
July 2010 (Preliminary)

*Seasonally adjusted*  
€ million

	Imports	Exports	Surplus
<b>April 2010</b>	4,203	7,167	2,964
<b>May 2010</b>	3,623	7,589	3,966
<b>June 2010</b>	4,056	7,306	3,250
<b>July 2010</b>	3,693	7,896	4,203

### Exports increased in July

**Seasonally adjusted** exports increased by 8% between June and July while imports decreased by 9% leading to an increase in the Trade surplus of 29% to €4,203m (see *Graph and Table 2*).

On an **unadjusted** basis, the value of exports in July 2010 was up by 12% compared with July 2009, while the value of imports was down by 1% (see *Table 1*).

An analysis of **trends between January and June of 2009 and 2010** shows:

**Exports** decreased by 1% or €562m to €43,538 million:

- ◆ Computer equipment decreased by 36% or €1,226m.
- ◆ Organic chemicals decreased by 11% or €1,174m.
- ◆ Medical and pharmaceutical products increased by 13% or €1,325m.
- ◆ Exports to Belgium (€7,194m), Great Britain (€5,939m), and the USA (€9,662m) accounted for 52% of the total value of exports in the first half of 2010.

**Imports** decreased by 4% or €1,057m to €22,708 million:

- ◆ Computer equipment decreased by 46% or €982m.
- ◆ Other transport equipment (including aircraft) fell by 23% or €647m.
- ◆ Imports of Petroleum increased by 33%, Medical and pharmaceutical products by 22% and Road vehicles by 59%.
- ◆ Goods from the United States decreased by 14% or €648m, from France by 26% or €312m and from China by 21% or €310m.
- ◆ Imports from Switzerland rose by 159% or €324m and from Norway by 39% or €218m.

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**Table 1 Summary of trade**

Period	Value			Volume Index <sup>1</sup>		Price Index <sup>1</sup>		Terms of Trade <sup>2</sup>
	Imports	Exports	Trade Surplus	Base year 1990=100				
				Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	
€m	€m	€m						
1990	15,832.1	18,203.9	2,371.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1991	16,317.2	19,070.1	2,752.9	100.8	105.6	102.3	99.3	97.0
1992	16,753.9	21,260.2	4,506.4	105.6	121.1	100.2	96.6	96.4
1993	18,899.7	25,178.5	6,278.9	113.0	133.4	105.4	103.9	98.6
1994	21,945.4	28,890.9	6,945.6	127.9	153.2	108.1	103.8	96.0
1995	26,180.9	35,330.1	9,149.2	146.3	184.0	112.7	105.7	93.7
1996	28,479.5	38,608.9	10,129.6	160.9	202.2	111.4	105.1	94.3
1997	32,863.5	44,868.0	12,004.5	184.8	232.4	112.0	106.3	94.9
1998	39,715.0	57,321.8	17,606.7	218.3	289.2	114.6	109.1	95.2
1999	44,327.1	66,956.2	22,629.1	236.5	336.5	118.0	109.5	92.8
2000	55,908.8	83,888.9	27,980.1	275.2	401.4	128.0	115.0	89.9
2001	57,384.2	92,689.9	35,305.7	274.2	422.0	131.8	120.9	91.7
2002	55,628.1	93,675.2	38,047.1	276.6	435.1	126.7	118.5	93.5
2003	47,864.6	82,076.1	34,211.5	259.7	418.4	116.1	108.0	93.0
2004	51,105.4	84,409.5	33,304.1	283.6	446.5	113.5	104.0	91.7
2005	57,464.9	86,732.3	29,267.3	316.3	456.7	114.4	104.5	91.3
2006	60,857.4	86,772.0	25,914.6	325.2	458.0	117.7	104.4	88.7
2007	63,485.7	89,226.1	25,740.5	340.9	481.8	117.3	101.9	86.9
2008	57,584.8	86,394.4	28,809.6	300.5	484.5	119.7	98.0	81.9
2009	45,077.8	84,242.5	39,164.8	249.2	468.4	113.9	98.9	86.8
2008 January	5,447.9	7,119.6	1,671.7	337.4	471.1	119.9	98.2	81.9
February	5,211.2	7,309.2	2,098.0	329.3	488.2	120.1	98.4	82.0
March	4,952.3	7,053.9	2,101.5	316.9	494.8	118.4	96.4	81.5
April	4,960.9	7,271.5	2,310.6	315.9	519.0	117.6	94.2	80.1
May	4,825.8	7,298.9	2,473.1	306.2	518.2	118.5	94.4	79.7
June	4,858.1	7,191.6	2,333.5	302.4	500.2	118.1	94.5	80.0
July	5,113.5	7,281.8	2,168.3	318.1	494.0	117.1	94.7	80.9
August	4,107.2	6,486.2	2,379.0	251.7	440.1	118.6	96.4	81.2
September	4,616.3	7,456.1	2,839.8	277.3	496.9	122.1	98.6	80.8
October	4,827.0	7,573.1	2,746.1	286.9	485.3	123.8	102.5	82.8
November	4,507.3	7,594.6	3,087.3	270.6	467.9	121.6	105.8	87.0
December	4,157.2	6,758.0	2,600.8	259.5	438.0	120.4	102.1	84.8
2009 <sup>3</sup> January	3,939.9	6,928.1	2,988.2	250.4	450.0	118.8	101.7	85.6
February	4,101.5	6,908.7	2,807.3	260.3	453.3	118.5	101.5	85.7
March	4,485.3	8,129.4	3,644.0	286.9	507.5	118.6	102.6	86.6
April	3,652.6	7,644.5	3,991.9	240.7	504.7	115.0	101.6	88.4
May	3,877.3	6,876.7	2,999.4	255.9	461.9	113.9	100.6	88.3
June	3,709.0	7,612.3	3,903.3	246.3	501.6	113.6	99.6	87.6
July	3,550.5	7,072.9	3,522.4	235.7	469.2	113.1	97.9	86.6
August	3,108.3	5,965.3	2,856.9	209.4	389.9	111.4	98.0	88.0
September	3,572.3	7,703.2	4,130.9	234.5	510.9	111.6	96.3	86.3
October	3,546.2	6,595.5	3,049.3	240.1	451.6	110.1	95.1	86.4
November	3,833.3	6,815.9	2,982.6	257.0	456.7	110.4	94.8	85.9
December	3,701.6	5,990.0	2,288.5	245.7	401.0	111.5	96.8	86.9
2010 <sup>3</sup> January	3,350.9	6,951.8	3,600.9	224.0	463.2	113.1	99.1	87.7
February	3,477.6	6,504.7	3,027.2	229.2	428.3	114.7	100.3	87.5
March	4,190.4	7,645.2	3,454.8	276.6	501.6	114.5	100.7	87.9
April	4,114.5	7,326.1	3,211.6	270.8	477.5	114.8	101.3	88.2
May	3,527.7	7,377.3	3,849.6	231.7	471.1	115.1	103.4	89.9
June	4,047.3	7,732.5	3,685.1	258.2	483.8	118.4	105.5	89.1
July <sup>4</sup>	3,509.6	7,931.3	4,421.7	..	..	..	..	..

<sup>1</sup> Monthly data has been rescaled to make their average equal to the annual

<sup>2</sup> Export Price Index divided by Import Price Index

<sup>3</sup> Revised, see Background Notes

<sup>4</sup> Preliminary data based on current Intrastat response levels

.. Data not yet available

**Table 2 Seasonally adjusted<sup>1</sup> Series**

Period	Value			Volume Index		
	Imports €m	Exports €m	Trade Surplus €m	Base year 1990=100		
				Imports	Exports	
2007	January	5,499.6	7,520.9	2,021.4	353.3	469.0
	February	5,506.3	7,587.1	2,080.8	350.5	489.1
	March	5,401.6	7,672.5	2,270.9	337.9	491.5
	April	4,606.1	7,572.5	2,966.5	296.0	489.3
	May	5,423.1	7,495.9	2,072.8	343.5	480.8
	June	5,235.9	7,586.5	2,350.7	330.0	481.9
	July	5,335.5	7,663.7	2,328.2	339.1	494.1
	August	5,239.5	7,474.7	2,235.2	329.1	476.2
	September	5,208.7	7,281.3	2,072.5	327.4	473.6
	October	5,298.5	7,573.8	2,275.3	326.2	490.9
	November	5,696.5	7,498.3	1,801.8	360.8	494.4
	December	5,046.1	6,360.4	1,314.4	315.6	412.7
2008	January	5,291.4	7,365.0	2,073.6	326.7	478.8
	February	5,099.4	7,657.8	2,558.4	323.0	508.4
	March	5,202.4	7,177.7	1,975.2	332.7	505.8
	April	4,814.9	6,917.7	2,102.8	306.6	493.7
	May	4,942.3	7,334.0	2,391.8	316.7	518.0
	June	5,091.8	7,144.7	2,052.9	321.6	501.1
	July	5,317.1	7,335.7	2,018.6	329.4	498.9
	August	4,762.8	7,218.3	2,455.5	293.9	490.7
	September	4,652.7	7,307.1	2,654.4	278.2	488.3
	October	4,528.5	7,345.9	2,817.4	266.5	472.3
	November	4,502.7	7,129.9	2,627.1	269.8	441.8
	December	3,889.2	6,774.4	2,885.3	241.0	440.3
2009	January	3,901.6	7,218.6	3,317.0	249.8	469.4
	February	4,168.0	7,684.0	3,516.0	264.6	500.7
	March	4,126.7	7,507.2	3,380.5	263.9	469.7
	April	3,930.5	7,688.6	3,758.1	259.1	501.9
	May	4,085.4	6,976.7	2,891.3	270.1	460.4
	June	3,715.5	7,511.1	3,795.6	248.9	495.3
	July	3,722.6	7,059.5	3,337.0	246.4	469.5
	August	3,586.2	6,709.4	3,123.3	243.9	439.6
	September	3,633.0	7,449.4	3,816.3	236.5	497.0
	October	3,410.7	6,345.1	2,934.4	231.1	440.9
	November	3,697.9	6,505.0	2,807.1	247.6	444.7
	December	3,552.5	6,140.9	2,588.4	232.9	413.4
2010	January	3,446.2	7,202.6	3,756.4	229.7	486.7
	February	3,476.5	7,019.1	3,542.6	229.8	456.4
	March	3,886.6	6,864.2	2,977.6	252.1	452.8
	April	4,203.1	7,167.1	2,964.0	275.3	458.9
	May	3,622.6	7,589.0	3,966.4	237.9	475.8
	June	4,056.0	7,305.7	3,249.7	256.5	455.1
	July	3,693.3	7,895.8	4,202.5	..	..

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to December 2009. Accordingly all values in this table have been revised

.. Data not yet available

**Table 3 Trade classified by Commodity**

€ million

SITC (Rev 4)	Imports				Exports			
	Jun 2009	Jun 2010	Jan-Jun 2009	Jan-Jun 2010	Jun 2009	Jun 2010	Jan-Jun 2009	Jan-Jun 2010
<b>0 Food and live animals</b>	<b>376.0</b>	<b>371.0</b>	<b>2,129.9</b>	<b>2,141.5</b>	<b>531.3</b>	<b>607.8</b>	<b>3,070.5</b>	<b>3,236.5</b>
00 Live animals other than animals of Division 03	6.6	5.6	36.1	37.6	16.5	17.6	87.4	103.9
01 Meat and meat preparations	54.2	52.4	318.0	295.6	189.8	211.0	1,051.7	1,128.6
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	38.3	32.6	201.1	211.5	110.9	138.5	544.5	602.5
03 Fish, crustaceans, molluscs and preparations thereof	14.1	13.6	73.5	84.3	21.4	25.0	158.7	186.3
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	60.6	61.0	365.7	356.9	20.9	14.5	123.5	106.5
05 Vegetables and fruit	79.8	82.3	439.0	467.6	22.9	21.8	125.3	116.7
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	19.5	20.8	118.4	111.5	8.1	7.1	46.1	40.0
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	25.2	22.9	156.2	147.6	20.1	26.3	123.8	133.7
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excl unmilled cereals)	42.4	43.2	233.3	237.4	13.7	15.5	81.5	87.5
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	35.4	36.6	188.6	191.6	107.0	130.5	727.9	730.7
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>74.4</b>	<b>62.5</b>	<b>341.5</b>	<b>356.9</b>	<b>89.5</b>	<b>92.5</b>	<b>442.8</b>	<b>519.4</b>
11 Beverages	64.2	53.6	294.5	312.3	81.8	86.0	403.6	477.5
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	10.2	8.9	47.0	44.6	7.7	6.4	39.2	42.0
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	<b>49.9</b>	<b>58.7</b>	<b>305.3</b>	<b>312.5</b>	<b>78.8</b>	<b>129.7</b>	<b>438.3</b>	<b>714.2</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	3.8	8.4	20.5	42.3
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	2.9	0.7	12.1	11.4	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.4
23 Crude rubber (incl synthetic and reclaimed)	0.8	0.9	4.5	5.8	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.9
24 Cork and wood	10.4	11.8	62.8	57.9	6.5	10.4	29.8	53.1
25 Pulp and waste paper	3.7	3.6	17.3	17.6	3.4	4.9	21.7	31.8
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	1.2	1.1	6.4	6.3	8.8	10.6	47.8	58.0
27 Crude fertilisers and minerals (excl coal, petroleum and precious stones)	10.7	11.2	72.7	58.5	6.4	7.1	40.7	41.2
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	9.8	17.0	51.4	80.0	41.1	81.4	226.5	441.4
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials nes	10.4	12.3	78.0	74.8	8.6	6.5	49.7	45.1
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>	<b>325.5</b>	<b>385.5</b>	<b>2,264.6</b>	<b>2,680.7</b>	<b>56.6</b>	<b>74.4</b>	<b>320.7</b>	<b>446.1</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	3.8	4.2	110.2	60.9	5.8	5.7	35.5	37.3
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	251.8	294.7	1,574.9	2,094.1	50.5	64.3	282.5	398.2
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	68.5	84.7	552.6	514.3	0.3	4.5	1.7	10.7
35 Electric current	1.4	1.9	27.0	11.3	0.0	–	1.0	–
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>14.7</b>	<b>94.1</b>	<b>81.7</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>11.7</b>
41 Animal oils and fats	0.7	0.8	4.2	3.9	1.2	1.9	7.5	10.2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils	11.1	12.0	77.9	67.3	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.9
43 Animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes	1.7	1.9	12.0	10.6	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.6
<b>5 Chemicals and related products</b>	<b>655.2</b>	<b>697.4</b>	<b>3,797.1</b>	<b>4,303.9</b>	<b>4,376.0</b>	<b>4,463.8</b>	<b>25,681.7</b>	<b>25,969.0</b>
51 Organic chemicals	155.9	164.9	955.6	1,061.6	1,635.2	1,438.1	10,727.2	9,552.8
52 Inorganic chemicals	13.2	16.9	75.0	83.9	3.6	7.0	24.2	46.5
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	12.9	15.2	71.8	77.7	6.3	20.9	28.1	73.8
54 Medical and pharmaceutical products	267.2	265.2	1,381.2	1,684.7	1,929.5	2,132.6	10,230.7	11,555.4
55 Essential oils; perfume materials; toilet and cleansing preparations	78.0	81.4	471.5	455.6	465.7	547.2	2,757.1	2,970.0
56 Fertilisers (other than those of Division 27)	7.1	12.9	156.7	201.9	0.2	0.2	0.9	0.7
57 Plastics in primary forms	43.8	56.6	244.5	313.1	18.9	26.3	112.2	131.3
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	33.9	35.6	187.8	180.4	19.4	31.0	122.1	137.1
59 Chemical materials and products nes	43.3	48.8	253.1	244.9	297.2	260.4	1,679.1	1,501.4

**Table 3 Trade classified by Commodity - continued**

€ million

SITC (Rev 4)	Imports				Exports			
	Jun 2009	Jun 2010	Jan-Jun 2009	Jan-Jun 2010	Jun 2009	Jun 2010	Jan-Jun 2009	Jan-Jun 2010
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>	<b>279.2</b>	<b>302.4</b>	<b>1,724.4</b>	<b>1,631.6</b>	<b>99.5</b>	<b>127.5</b>	<b>610.6</b>	<b>649.5</b>
61 Leather; leather manufactures nes; dressed furskins	1.1	1.1	6.3	6.8	0.8	0.9	7.1	7.1
62 Rubber manufactures nes	18.2	19.9	108.9	116.5	3.6	3.3	22.3	23.0
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excl furniture)	13.7	14.8	85.7	76.7	13.0	18.4	81.2	96.2
64 Paper, paperboard and articles thereof	59.8	63.4	347.4	332.4	9.4	10.0	56.2	51.9
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	30.4	30.2	174.3	158.4	10.7	13.3	70.0	71.7
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures nes	34.1	33.4	206.7	189.3	17.8	24.9	107.9	115.5
67 Iron and steel	29.3	39.7	207.2	202.6	4.4	6.0	26.9	30.6
68 Non-ferrous metals	29.1	37.7	159.1	189.9	6.4	7.4	32.2	35.4
69 Manufactures of metals nes	63.5	62.2	428.8	358.9	33.3	43.2	206.8	218.1
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment</b>	<b>1,154.9</b>	<b>1,396.8</b>	<b>8,413.6</b>	<b>6,650.3</b>	<b>1,269.7</b>	<b>1,097.0</b>	<b>7,240.4</b>	<b>5,255.6</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	49.2	49.0	396.7	301.6	38.6	36.3	185.6	264.0
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	52.0	54.0	329.0	287.7	47.8	41.1	229.1	186.3
73 Metalworking machinery	3.4	5.8	23.5	23.8	2.3	2.1	14.8	13.9
74 General industrial machinery and equipment nes and parts nes	83.8	66.7	452.7	365.2	66.0	92.3	427.2	547.3
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	246.7	205.3	2,152.7	1,170.4	637.9	546.3	3,390.5	2,164.6
76 Telecommunications and sound equipment	93.9	87.0	580.7	508.2	91.1	85.2	525.4	427.4
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances nes and parts	197.2	172.4	1,206.8	1,072.6	304.5	247.9	1,743.3	1,432.5
78 Road vehicles (incl air-cushion vehicles)	61.1	110.9	500.3	796.3	64.1	16.6	141.2	93.2
79 Other transport equipment	367.6	645.7	2,771.1	2,124.4	17.4	29.2	583.3	126.4
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	<b>486.4</b>	<b>497.1</b>	<b>2,929.0</b>	<b>2,773.1</b>	<b>767.7</b>	<b>898.5</b>	<b>4,559.0</b>	<b>4,905.4</b>
81 Prefab buildings; plumbing and electrical fixtures and fittings	19.7	12.9	102.5	77.7	7.2	7.8	52.7	43.2
82 Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, cushions etc	26.5	29.1	165.3	156.0	7.6	8.7	45.2	42.6
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	8.2	9.7	43.1	43.4	1.4	1.8	8.2	7.9
84 Articles of apparel; clothing accessories	128.5	132.5	757.0	729.6	10.4	30.4	72.0	107.3
85 Footwear	24.2	28.3	144.2	167.0	1.7	3.8	11.6	16.5
87 Professional, scientific and controlling apparatus nes	78.5	81.7	471.3	460.0	227.1	293.2	1,418.2	1,545.1
88 Photographic apparatus; optical goods; watches and clocks	13.8	16.8	86.6	112.4	99.4	95.9	499.0	539.9
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles nes	187.0	186.1	1,159.1	1,027.0	413.1	456.8	2,452.1	2,603.1
<b>9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere</b>	<b>207.8</b>	<b>174.4</b>	<b>1,224.6</b>	<b>1,233.2</b>	<b>278.3</b>	<b>162.9</b>	<b>1,347.4</b>	<b>1,327.7</b>
<b>Unclassified estimates<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>86.2</b>	<b>87.0</b>	<b>541.4</b>	<b>543.1</b>	<b>63.3</b>	<b>76.4</b>	<b>379.4</b>	<b>502.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,709.0</b>	<b>4,047.3</b>	<b>23,765.6</b>	<b>22,708.4</b>	<b>7,612.3</b>	<b>7,732.5</b>	<b>44,099.7</b>	<b>43,537.6</b>

<sup>1</sup> Estimates for which a commodity classification is not available

**Table 4 Trade by Country**

€ million

Country	Imports				Exports			
	Jun 2009	Jun 2010	Jan-Jun 2009	Jan-Jun 2010	Jun 2009	Jun 2010	Jan-Jun 2009	Jan-Jun 2010
Great Britain	1,038.2	1,056.5	6,387.5	6,243.2	1,100.5	1,110.3	6,421.4	5,938.9
Northern Ireland	85.4	68.9	468.2	442.0	105.9	117.1	612.7	640.1
Austria	11.7	13.0	115.9	66.6	27.0	28.4	171.0	160.6
Belgium	79.2	85.0	461.9	495.3	1,635.7	1,134.2	7,648.8	7,193.9
Bulgaria	1.0	0.9	3.8	4.1	4.0	4.3	19.6	20.7
Cyprus	0.3	0.2	2.4	1.8	4.5	2.8	24.3	20.6
Czech Republic	9.0	15.9	58.3	89.7	24.7	38.1	139.9	158.9
Denmark	60.6	43.8	424.5	347.2	33.8	32.7	196.6	195.5
Estonia	7.2	0.4	9.2	2.0	1.5	3.1	9.9	11.7
Finland	14.4	13.3	102.0	101.4	27.8	28.5	126.8	142.3
France	250.5	154.2	1,217.8	905.9	372.5	443.8	2,460.9	2,217.5
Germany	251.2	262.2	1,542.4	1,592.7	533.4	523.0	2,932.0	2,980.5
Greece	2.3	2.1	16.1	10.1	34.0	33.2	192.8	162.7
Italy	78.4	60.5	487.1	407.3	266.9	233.2	1,497.6	1,402.8
Latvia	1.5	3.8	13.9	10.3	0.6	1.7	15.8	13.9
Lithuania	2.0	2.5	15.3	20.2	1.7	2.3	6.7	8.5
Luxembourg	2.3	2.1	14.9	13.2	14.4	6.6	71.9	46.2
Hungary	17.4	20.3	139.4	117.9	13.8	13.4	89.3	73.2
Malta	1.0	0.8	3.3	6.0	2.0	2.2	9.2	9.9
Netherlands	159.3	181.5	1,221.0	1,108.7	218.5	304.8	1,417.9	1,486.6
Poland	28.6	22.3	203.8	155.2	51.7	60.9	312.8	289.5
Portugal	8.2	6.9	50.1	43.3	31.0	45.4	188.9	195.6
Romania	3.2	5.8	21.8	21.3	18.4	21.8	104.8	140.9
Slovakia	2.1	4.6	13.1	19.8	4.4	5.1	30.8	30.1
Slovenia	0.7	0.9	5.3	4.5	4.0	2.0	14.5	16.0
Spain	41.1	44.2	293.4	306.5	310.3	274.7	1,783.5	1,719.5
Sweden	44.3	25.1	174.6	189.5	70.5	62.2	353.5	334.7
EU Country not specified	46.1	29.5	188.9	147.0	6.2	5.2	23.7	30.5
<b>Total EU</b>	<b>2,247.4</b>	<b>2,126.9</b>	<b>13,656.0</b>	<b>12,872.6</b>	<b>4,919.5</b>	<b>4,541.2</b>	<b>26,877.6</b>	<b>25,641.5</b>
<i>of which Euro-Zone<sup>1</sup></i>	<b>948.3</b>	<b>860.4</b>	<b>5,731.0</b>	<b>5,225.8</b>	<b>3,486.7</b>	<b>3,069.0</b>	<b>18,575.3</b>	<b>17,786.6</b>
Australia	6.4	9.0	37.5	50.7	58.7	84.0	297.0	412.0
Brazil	7.5	9.6	59.1	68.3	20.6	25.1	110.6	119.4
Canada	39.7	39.8	207.4	150.9	31.7	58.0	204.6	284.6
China <sup>2</sup>	206.5	229.1	1,447.8	1,138.2	195.2	245.0	1,137.1	1,193.8
India	21.2	28.1	155.7	147.9	13.7	17.1	82.3	80.6
Japan	54.6	63.3	341.1	364.7	169.0	181.2	900.0	867.1
Malaysia	18.6	18.4	120.8	87.3	74.1	56.5	384.6	327.3
Mexico	12.8	21.8	82.3	114.8	42.2	39.6	218.4	212.0
Norway	75.6	111.7	552.9	770.5	47.8	36.1	270.0	192.3
Philippines	5.7	2.1	24.4	15.1	7.9	7.1	64.6	54.5
Russia	2.6	4.3	37.6	91.5	18.3	37.4	109.9	188.4
Saudi Arabia	0.4	0.3	2.6	2.6	34.6	30.8	205.1	271.9
Singapore	27.3	44.7	245.0	324.4	33.6	55.6	208.6	226.7
South Africa	5.8	8.9	53.2	39.6	21.8	21.0	97.0	137.3
South Korea	21.7	15.4	149.1	105.8	48.1	26.8	182.7	143.6
Switzerland	42.3	75.1	204.2	528.3	160.8	361.4	1,398.3	1,781.3
Taiwan	43.8	13.4	176.6	77.5	24.2	13.1	116.2	85.5
Thailand	18.4	18.1	140.8	108.9	6.2	9.1	92.5	79.0
Turkey	20.1	20.3	121.2	122.3	45.0	38.1	188.8	220.2
USA	644.3	924.0	4,789.5	4,141.7	1,456.0	1,567.4	9,722.7	9,662.3
Other countries <sup>3</sup>	92.6	145.9	630.4	715.9	163.2	247.4	1,162.4	1,217.9
Country unknown <sup>4</sup>	28.6	33.8	114.1	203.8	19.3	12.5	64.4	60.5
Unclassified estimates <sup>5</sup>	65.1	83.2	416.3	465.4	0.9	21.2	4.2	77.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,709.0</b>	<b>4,047.3</b>	<b>23,765.6</b>	<b>22,708.4</b>	<b>7,612.3</b>	<b>7,732.5</b>	<b>44,099.7</b>	<b>43,537.6</b>

<sup>1</sup> Euro-zone members from January 2009: Austria, Belgium, Germany, Spain, Finland, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Slovenia, Malta, Cyprus and Slovakia

<sup>2</sup> China includes Hong Kong and Macao

<sup>3</sup> Other non-EU countries not listed individually

<sup>4</sup> Trade for which the country of origin or country of final destination is unknown

<sup>5</sup> Estimates not allocated by country

Table 5 Trade classified by Commodity and Principal Countries

€ million

Country by Section level of SITC (data for the latest month is preliminary)	Imports		Exports	
	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul
	2009	2010	2009	2010
<b>Great Britain &amp; Northern Ireland</b>				
0 Food and live animals	184	175	241	246
1 Beverages and tobacco	29	27	47	47
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	13	14	24	30
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	154	245	12	35
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	5	4	1	1
5 Chemicals and related products	166	150	262	477
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	126	125	54	60
7 Machinery and transport equipment	134	156	173	112
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	170	153	99	106
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	62	65	59	57
<b>Other EU</b>				
0 Food and live animals	125	116	177	209
1 Beverages and tobacco	26	26	16	18
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	15	16	22	62
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	109	19	9	22
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	9	6	1	1
5 Chemicals and related products	239	250	2,260	2,177
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	100	94	33	40
7 Machinery and transport equipment	283	276	375	332
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	96	88	274	330
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	84	67	67	115
<b>USA</b>				
0 Food and live animals	4	10	5	6
1 Beverages and tobacco	1	1	17	20
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	3	3	3	1
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0	0	0	7
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	0	0	0	0
5 Chemicals and related products	80	80	1,133	1,347
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	22	23	9	6
7 Machinery and transport equipment	360	267	120	79
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	79	71	290	333
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	67	13	55	145
<b>China <sup>1</sup></b>				
0 Food and live animals	2	2	12	11
1 Beverages and tobacco	0	0	0	1
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1	2	14	9
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0	0	0	0
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	0	0	0	0
5 Chemicals and related products	10	15	42	96
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	19	28	1	1
7 Machinery and transport equipment	106	109	114	96
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	78	107	10	19
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	5	4	1	2
<b>Japan</b>				
0 Food and live animals	0	0	0	3
1 Beverages and tobacco	0	0	0	0
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	0	0	0	0
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0	0	0	0
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	0	0	-	-
5 Chemicals and related products	24	40	51	62
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1	1	1	0
7 Machinery and transport equipment	17	26	18	8
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4	3	53	69
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	3	2	3	3
<b>Switzerland</b>				
0 Food and live animals	2	1	0	2
1 Beverages and tobacco	1	2	1	1
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	0	0	0	0
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0	0	0	0
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	-	0	-	0
5 Chemicals and related products	27	45	106	242
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1	1	1	1
7 Machinery and transport equipment	11	5	9	9
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	3	3	2	6
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	1	1	1	1
<b>Rest of World</b>				
0 Food and live animals	44	28	73	88
1 Beverages and tobacco	13	15	14	29
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	8	19	11	10
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	65	122	23	30
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	2	3	0	0
5 Chemicals and related products	27	71	356	375
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	18	19	7	8
7 Machinery and transport equipment	173	131	223	211
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	68	81	77	78
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	71	81	13	37
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,551</b>	<b>3,510</b>	<b>7,073</b>	<b>7,931</b>

<sup>1</sup> China includes Hong Kong and Macao



# Background Notes

**Introduction** The statistics are a combination of Customs-based non-EU trade statistics and estimates from the Intrastat Survey of Irish traders involved in trade with other EU member states.

**Revisions** Trade figures are subject to revision on the incorporation of late Intrastat and VAT returns, corrections made by traders to Intrastat returns already submitted and CSO consistency adjustments. In general when the preliminary results for a month are published, the results for months -1 (June 2010 in this publication), -4 (March 2010) and -8 (November 2009) are revised.

As part of an ongoing detailed examination of returns from enterprises to the various statistical inquiries, the value of international trade in goods exports is revised on a quarterly basis. These adjustments are incorporated into the published National Accounts and Balance of Payments statistics.

**Intrastat System** The Intrastat system has two components. Firstly, the Intrastat survey itself (conducted by the Revenue Commissioners), in which the larger traders make detailed monthly returns giving information on the quantity and value of all exports to or imports from EU countries.

The total number of traders required to make a detailed import return is about 7,700 while about 1,900 must make a detailed export return. The response rate in terms of number of traders in June 2010 was 80%, covering an estimated 97% of the total value of intra-EU trade. For July 2010 the respective response rates being 73% and 92%.

The second component of the Intrastat system is the regular VAT return, on which all traders are required to record the *total* value of goods imported from and exported to other EU member states. This information provides the basis for determining total EU trade for those traders below the Intrastat survey thresholds. It is also used to maintain the register of EU traders.

**Extrastat System** The statistics of trade with non-EU countries are compiled mainly from the documents supplied by importers and exporters to the Customs authorities. The document is the Single Administrative Document (SAD) used for Customs clearance purposes. The VIMA Office in Dundalk is the branch of Revenue responsible for editing and validation of the data supplied. The VIMA Office passes the edited data to the External Trade Statistics section of the Central Statistics Office (CSO).

**Estimation** The figures in this release include estimates for traders above the Intrastat thresholds who did not make detailed returns for the period and for traders below the thresholds who did not provide aggregate intra-EU trade figures on their VAT returns.

Estimates for Intrastat non-respondents are apportioned to individual commodities and countries whenever previous Intrastat returns are available. Estimates for traders below the Intrastat thresholds are assigned to partner country where possible, but not to commodity.

The estimate of imports incorporates an upward adjustment equivalent to about 1.75% of total imports, which is included in 'Unclassified estimates'. This special adjustment arises from the difficulty of comprehensively covering all EU imports through the Intrastat survey system.

The unclassified category also includes certain miscellaneous adjustments.

**Price and Volume Indices** The monthly price (unit value) index measures monthly price trends relative to the annual levels in the preceding year using value weights relating to that year's trade (Laspeyres index).

The annual index is compiled using value weights for both the current and previous year (Fisher index) to allow for change in the structure of external trade.

The monthly index series should be regarded as interim measures suitable for month-to-month comparisons within a given year. However, when the annual price index is compiled, the monthly price indices are rescaled to make their average equal to the annual index.