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## External Trade

- Exports for 2012 were €92,009m, up 1% from 2011, while Imports were €49,024m, up 1.5%. This resulted in a Trade surplus of €42,985m up marginally (0.2%) from 2011.
- *Chemicals and related products* accounted for 60% (€55,000m) of Ireland's exports in 2012 including *Medical and pharmaceutical products* (€24,447m) and *Organic chemicals* (€20,123m).
- The EU accounted for €54,262m (or 59%) of total exports in 2012, 15% destined for Great Britain and 15% to Belgium. The USA was the main destination for exports outside the EU accounting for 20% of exports. Between 2008 and 2012 exports to the BRIC countries (Brazil, Russia, India, China) grew by 8%.
- Between 2011 and 2012 imports of *Chemical and related products* decreased by 2% to €10,192m, while imports of *Food and live animals* increased by 11% to €5,549m. Nearly one-third (31%) of Ireland's imports in 2012 came from Great Britain.

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## Introduction

This chapter contains information on Ireland's Goods Exports and Imports statistics which provide data on the movement of goods between countries. The statistics are a combination of Customs-based non-EU trade statistics and data from the Intrastat Survey of Irish traders involved in trade with other EU member states.

## Long term growth

Between 1973 and 2012, exports at current prices grew from €1,104m to €92,009m while imports for the same period increased from €1,444m to €49,024m (Table 14.1). The resulting merchandise trade balance at current prices changed from a deficit of €340m in 1973 to a surplus of €42,985m in 2012.

The volume of exports is estimated to have increased by a factor of twenty between 1973 and 2012 while import volumes for the same period increased by a factor of five.

## Trade by area

Exports to the EU increased from €53,109m in 2004 to €54,262m in 2012 accounting for 59% of Ireland's goods export market. Exports to the USA increased from €16,556m in 2004 to €18,160m in 2012, accounting for 20% of total exports in 2012.

The EU was also the significant market for the imports of goods into Ireland accounting for 60% of total trade in 2012, over half of which came from Great Britain (Table 14.3). Around 13% (€6,397m) of Ireland's imports came from the USA, while imports from China were €2,860m (6%) in 2012.

## Trade by product

Between 2004 and 2012, the share of *Chemicals and related products* in Ireland's export market increased from €37,492m (or 44%) in 2004 to €55,000m (or 60%) in 2012 (Table 14.4).

Imports of *Machinery and transport equipment* were €12,486m (or 25%) in 2012 decreasing from €21,964m (or 43%) in 2004 (Table 14.5). Imports of *Chemicals and related products* increased from €7,140m (or 14%) in 2004 to €10,192m (or 21%) in 2012.

## Imports by main use

The share of imports classified as materials for further production fell from 57% in 2004 to 52% in 2012 while Consumption goods ready for use increased from 26% to 32% in the same period (Tables 14.10 and 14.11).

## Technical Notes

### Scope of trade in goods data

Ireland's trade in goods is compiled according to the 'general' system of recording international trade whereby exports and imports are recorded at the time the goods cross the territorial boundaries of a country. This differs from the Balance of Payments definition of merchandise trade which records exports and imports only when a transfer of ownership occurs, ie when payment is received.

### Valuation

For goods exports the *fob* (free on board) value is used. This is the cost of goods to the purchaser abroad up to the point where the goods are put on board the exporting vessel or aircraft or are conveyed to the land frontier.

For goods imports the *cif* value (inclusive of cost, insurance and freight to the point of entry to the State) is used. This is normally the transaction value.

### Exclusions

Certain classes of goods are excluded from the trade statistics. These include, in particular, transit trade, certain categories of temporary trade where the goods are returned to the original country without change of ownership and certain goods which are not the subject of a commercial transaction.

### Notes to the tables

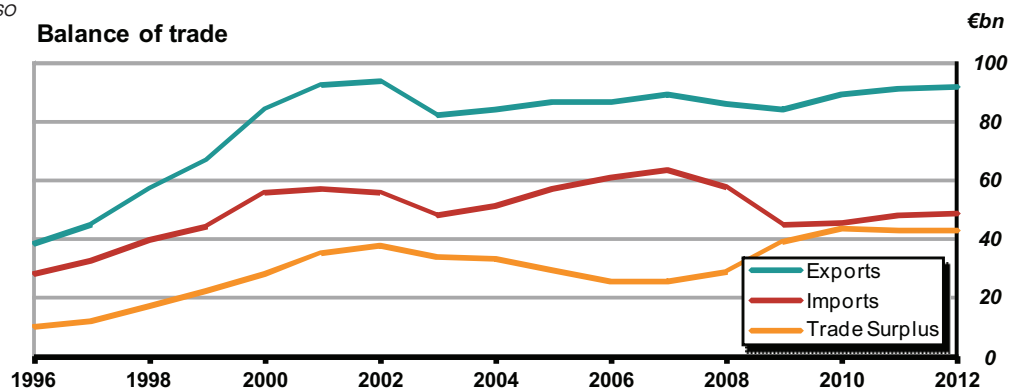
Tables 14.10 and 14.11 classify imports into main use categories - Producers' capital goods ready for use; Consumption goods ready for use; and Materials for further production. These categories provide a reclassification of imports in terms of national accounts aggregates.

Table 14.1 Goods Exports and Imports summary analysis

Year	Value			Volume index	
	Exports	Imports	Trade surplus <sup>1</sup>	Exports	Imports
	€m	€m	€m	Base year 1990=100	
1973	1,104	1,444	-340	23.9	45.1
1974	1,440	2,065	-625	25.2	44.2
1975	1,838	2,164	-326	27.2	38.3
1976	2,361	2,969	-608	28.2	44.2
1977	3,197	3,925	-727	33.2	49.9
1978	3,762	4,715	-952	36.7	57.1
1979	4,416	6,130	-1,714	39.6	65.5
1980	5,184	6,883	-1,699	42.7	62.3
1981	6,066	8,353	-2,287	43.0	63.7
1982	7,227	8,655	-1,428	46.1	61.5
1983	8,817	9,354	-537	51.7	63.5
1984	11,297	11,316	-19	61.2	70.0
1985	12,371	11,971	400	65.2	72.3
1986	11,903	10,947	956	67.6	74.4
1987	13,616	11,625	1,991	77.4	79.1
1988	15,624	12,970	2,654	82.9	82.8
1989	18,534	15,598	2,937	92.2	93.6
1990	18,204	15,832	2,372	100.0	100.0
1991	19,070	16,317	2,753	105.6	100.8
1992	21,260	16,754	4,506	121.1	105.6
1993	25,179	18,900	6,279	133.4	113.0
1994	28,891	21,945	6,946	153.2	127.9
1995	35,330	26,181	9,149	184.0	146.3
1996	38,609	28,479	10,130	202.2	160.9
1997	44,868	32,863	12,004	232.4	184.8
1998	57,322	39,715	17,607	289.2	218.3
1999	66,956	44,327	22,629	336.5	236.5
2000	83,889	55,909	27,980	401.4	275.2
2001	92,690	57,384	35,306	422.0	274.2
2002	93,675	55,628	38,047	435.1	276.6
2003	82,076	47,865	34,212	418.4	259.7
2004	84,410	51,105	33,304	446.5	283.6
2005	86,732	57,465	29,267	456.7	316.3
2006	86,772	60,857	25,915	458.0	325.2
2007	89,226	63,486	25,741	481.8	340.9
2008	86,394	57,585	28,810	484.5	300.5
2009	84,239	45,061	39,178	468.4	249.2
2010	89,193	45,764	43,429	485.5	241.3
2011	91,228	48,315	42,913	507.9	240.8
2012	92,009	49,024	42,985	479.1	231.9

<sup>1</sup> Surplus, as used here, differs from the Balance of International Payments concept of current account balance, which includes in addition, transactions relating to invisibles.

Source: CSO



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**Table 14.2 Goods Exports by country of destination**

	€m								
Country of destination	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Great Britain	13,715	13,775	13,894	15,002	14,300	12,199	12,436	12,845	13,794
Northern Ireland	1,484	1,577	1,672	1,741	1,565	1,286	1,316	1,422	1,445
Austria	372	416	423	512	393	323	312	291	331
Belgium	12,322	13,540	12,217	12,794	12,253	14,130	13,531	13,227	13,548
Luxembourg	103	186	175	163	145	140	76	56	62
Denmark	518	596	595	576	528	398	413	462	516
Finland	309	340	455	419	335	273	291	297	376
France	5,041	5,713	5,079	5,191	5,019	4,527	4,482	4,951	4,428
Germany	6,553	6,625	6,970	6,724	6,089	5,974	6,354	6,285	7,526
Greece	331	337	371	418	362	374	307	310	257
Italy	3,813	3,713	3,613	3,176	3,007	2,784	2,709	2,992	2,684
Netherlands	3,865	3,610	3,402	3,539	3,028	2,848	3,091	3,123	3,346
Portugal	342	380	422	415	422	407	425	453	380
Spain	2,448	2,980	3,261	3,281	3,590	3,276	3,359	3,049	2,767
Sweden	988	1,070	1,085	998	873	684	672	874	804
Czech Republic <sup>1</sup>	202	269	358	397	333	286	436	450	335
Hungary <sup>1</sup>	156	128	247	212	197	175	162	214	272
Poland <sup>1</sup>	273	292	417	587	747	633	592	609	676
Romania <sup>6</sup>	73	129	158	182	257	284	252	337	351
Other new accession states <sup>2</sup>	166	169	198	282	345	261	309	305	360
EU country not specified	39	76	73	56	53	54	58	8	4
<b>EU countries</b>	<b>53,109</b>	<b>55,920</b>	<b>55,085</b>	<b>56,663</b>	<b>53,841</b>	<b>51,318</b>	<b>51,583</b>	<b>52,561</b>	<b>54,262</b>
<i>of which EU-15</i>	<i>52,241</i>	<i>54,934</i>	<i>53,706</i>	<i>55,004</i>	<i>51,962</i>	<i>49,679</i>	<i>49,832</i>	<i>50,650</i>	<i>52,269</i>
Australia	736	732	804	836	746	730	775	708	724
Brazil	151	147	147	162	183	211	260	284	256
Canada	326	339	375	418	394	441	571	627	781
China, Hong Kong and Macau	1,472	1,436	1,503	1,989	2,325	2,330	2,494	2,330	2,167
India	109	131	154	168	161	158	162	204	235
Israel	306	285	226	219	199	195	251	475	554
Japan	2,333	2,233	1,980	1,738	1,708	1,702	1,754	1,743	2,101
Malaysia	448	555	953	694	1,063	819	693	385	241
Mexico	462	466	535	581	541	445	466	548	680
Nigeria	122	110	150	189	205	194	206	290	305
Norway	490	623	620	587	498	468	419	407	299
Philippines	194	329	424	709	363	118	214	89	82
Russia	213	237	284	327	344	243	373	506	603
Saudi Arabia	250	291	333	368	378	419	499	521	626
Singapore	866	724	618	504	556	479	550	545	513
South Africa	256	268	318	369	312	214	283	305	283
South Korea	588	541	500	480	485	330	357	301	356
Switzerland	2,761	3,206	2,516	3,251	2,561	2,433	3,557	3,686	5,070
Taiwan	355	329	291	240	225	250	190	192	129
Thailand	162	134	116	142	141	161	144	134	138
Turkey	300	322	369	415	402	381	430	457	454
United Arab Emirates	146	154	217	291	333	276	270	296	374
USA	16,556	15,475	16,182	15,825	16,674	18,272	20,761	21,601	18,160
Other countries <sup>3</sup>	1,267	1,483	1,797	1,776	1,546	1,529	1,797	1,970	2,497
Country unknown <sup>4</sup>	413	249	270	275	196	111	123	56	45
Unclassified estimates <sup>5</sup>	17	13	8	9	14	10	10	7	72
<b>Total</b>	<b>84,410</b>	<b>86,732</b>	<b>86,772</b>	<b>89,226</b>	<b>86,394</b>	<b>84,239</b>	<b>89,193</b>	<b>91,228</b>	<b>92,009</b>

<sup>1</sup> Joined EU on 1st May 2004

<sup>2</sup> Includes Cyprus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Slovakia and Slovenia all of which joined the EU on 1st May 2004 and Bulgaria who joined on 1st Jan 2007

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

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

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

<sup>6</sup> Joined EU on 1st January 2007

Source: CSO

Table 14.3 Goods Imports by country of origin

	€m								
Country of origin	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Great Britain	14,885	16,995	18,099	19,509	17,941	12,787	13,823	15,638	15,419
Northern Ireland	1,149	1,276	1,325	1,361	1,261	941	990	1,047	1,023
Austria	137	234	229	233	187	186	165	186	210
Belgium	945	1,061	1,212	1,260	1,321	917	1,084	1,166	955
Luxembourg	24	30	43	37	46	27	28	67	47
Denmark	763	784	654	667	1,042	795	779	605	460
Finland	255	278	277	245	332	196	190	123	116
France	2,344	1,980	2,219	2,659	2,388	2,193	1,842	1,994	1,902
Germany	3,850	4,512	5,012	5,592	4,641	3,045	3,493	3,706	3,414
Greece	40	39	51	49	33	31	29	35	24
Italy	1,125	1,254	1,563	1,448	1,344	911	780	775	772
Netherlands	1,944	2,287	2,445	2,700	2,892	2,310	2,226	2,434	2,311
Portugal	207	201	234	154	139	100	99	125	130
Spain	680	845	990	1,048	937	569	666	668	649
Sweden	521	529	666	626	483	387	341	480	361
Czech Republic <sup>1</sup>	117	180	285	281	187	120	194	251	296
Hungary <sup>1</sup>	217	177	333	330	319	254	202	111	103
Poland <sup>1</sup>	134	126	182	268	439	398	320	287	365
Romania <sup>6</sup>	55	48	60	64	56	46	106	124	126
Other new accession states <sup>2</sup>	155	164	195	195	191	136	160	186	195
EU country not specified	405	531	654	673	378	375	345	346	341
<b>EU countries</b>	<b>29,953</b>	<b>33,533</b>	<b>36,730</b>	<b>39,399</b>	<b>36,556</b>	<b>26,725</b>	<b>27,862</b>	<b>30,356</b>	<b>29,220</b>
<i>of which EU-15</i>	<i>29,276</i>	<i>32,837</i>	<i>35,675</i>	<i>38,261</i>	<i>35,364</i>	<i>25,771</i>	<i>26,880</i>	<i>29,742</i>	<i>28,135</i>
Australia	178	133	142	165	120	88	119	107	105
Brazil	233	210	190	241	214	158	166	211	516
Canada	271	285	396	345	341	386	242	257	246
China, Hong Kong and Macau	3,277	4,245	4,773	5,169	4,275	2,879	2,756	2,714	2,860
India	153	233	231	280	265	281	301	372	365
Israel	108	121	92	83	72	83	71	68	60
Japan	2,175	2,105	1,731	1,631	1,144	654	798	796	728
Malaysia	466	561	415	490	351	285	205	230	216
Mexico	150	135	150	187	212	176	231	248	272
Nigeria	1	1	1	1	0	9	0	338	675
Norway	963	1,507	1,857	1,552	1,306	869	1,291	1,165	938
Philippines	110	139	148	132	75	43	30	31	30
Russia	60	75	114	78	134	81	160	122	100
Saudi Arabia	2	4	5	50	7	5	11	6	4
Singapore	885	845	1,218	836	746	537	508	310	297
South Africa	158	160	180	166	148	103	87	135	117
South Korea	996	920	905	849	508	262	244	384	333
Switzerland	537	550	566	521	525	449	847	762	958
Taiwan	950	919	973	773	536	280	163	184	252
Thailand	353	388	498	428	375	265	239	252	296
Turkey	322	409	515	534	412	251	256	294	309
United Arab Emirates	29	29	37	58	18	15	110	18	23
USA	6,985	8,000	6,808	7,051	6,763	7,842	6,427	5,907	6,397
Other countries <sup>3</sup>	784	887	1,017	1,211	1,141	1,309	1,399	1,214	2,133
Country unknown <sup>4</sup>	105	40	90	126	294	226	431	991	620
Unclassified estimates <sup>5</sup>	902	1,030	1,079	1,129	1,046	800	809	847	951
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,105</b>	<b>57,465</b>	<b>60,857</b>	<b>63,486</b>	<b>57,585</b>	<b>45,061</b>	<b>45,764</b>	<b>48,315</b>	<b>49,024</b>

<sup>1</sup> Joined EU on 1st May 2004<sup>2</sup> Includes Cyprus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Slovakia and Slovenia all of which joined EU on 1st May 2004 and Bulgaria who joined on 1st January 2007<sup>3</sup> Other non-EU countries not listed individually<sup>4</sup> Trade for which the country of origin is unknown<sup>5</sup> Estimates not allocated by country<sup>6</sup> Joined EU on 1st January 2007

Source: CSO

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**Table 14.4 Goods Exports by SITC section and division**

€m

SITC (Rev 4)	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>0 Food and live animals</b>	<b>6,063</b>	<b>6,380</b>	<b>7,034</b>	<b>7,603</b>	<b>7,085</b>	<b>6,271</b>	<b>6,983</b>	<b>7,874</b>	<b>8,064</b>
00 Live animals other than animals of Division 03	229	259	351	299	248	296	339	357	324
01 Meat and meat preparations	2,054	2,176	2,392	2,383	2,390	2,185	2,407	2,762	2,971
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	1,056	1,107	1,195	1,477	1,442	1,114	1,431	1,777	1,636
03 Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	371	336	344	357	333	324	371	416	500
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	201	254	245	264	282	237	217	266	279
05 Vegetables and fruit	218	244	277	479	278	234	225	225	231
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	142	136	145	135	107	102	82	90	110
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	268	275	280	263	254	248	261	284	351
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)	170	175	143	142	169	163	189	212	230
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	1,354	1,418	1,663	1,805	1,583	1,368	1,462	1,485	1,431
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>1,037</b>	<b>1,103</b>	<b>1,359</b>	<b>1,408</b>	<b>1,237</b>	<b>1,079</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>1,197</b>
11 Beverages	949	1,014	1,285	1,327	1,162	1,007	1,117	1,086	1,112
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	88	90	74	80	75	72	87	92	85
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>1,077</b>	<b>1,493</b>	<b>1,539</b>	<b>1,313</b>	<b>972</b>	<b>1,444</b>	<b>1,764</b>	<b>1,730</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	85	74	93	94	70	54	98	123	111
22 Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	6	5	7	10	3	1	2	9	16
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	2	2	5	7	2	1	1	1	0
24 Cork and wood	79	72	71	93	71	67	102	108	114
25 Pulp and waste paper	36	46	51	58	60	46	60	53	52
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	112	111	106	120	115	100	118	133	145
27 Crude fertilisers and minerals, excluding coal, petroleum etc	57	67	70	51	81	81	83	148	142
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	524	609	1,015	1,012	809	530	887	1,096	1,045
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials nes	90	92	76	94	102	91	93	94	105
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>1,028</b>	<b>1,354</b>	<b>1,798</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	59	61	71	64	56	53	58	65	66
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	322	525	437	594	757	534	949	1,251	1,692
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	7	13	21	8	12	7	21	38	36
35 Electric current	12	17	33	20	7	1	-	-	3
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>55</b>
41 Animal oils and fats	19	15	15	23	36	17	23	47	46
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils	2	2	2	3	3	2	3	6	7
43 Animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes	5	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2
<b>5 Chemicals and related products</b>	<b>37,492</b>	<b>40,421</b>	<b>39,696</b>	<b>43,069</b>	<b>44,225</b>	<b>47,988</b>	<b>52,227</b>	<b>56,031</b>	<b>55,000</b>
51 Organic chemicals	14,651	17,757	17,059	19,641	17,816	17,656	19,064	19,969	20,123
52 Inorganic chemicals	158	108	116	112	116	59	89	147	192
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	63	51	52	48	62	58	166	145	160
54 Medical and pharmaceutical products	15,155	14,531	14,247	14,749	16,750	21,236	24,206	26,393	24,447
55 Essential oils; perfume materials; toilet and cleansing preparations	4,762	5,217	5,328	5,318	5,455	5,237	5,462	5,777	6,245
56 Fertilisers (other than those of Division 27)	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
57 Plastics in primary forms	191	190	209	265	247	216	266	313	303
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	211	244	251	270	261	229	304	320	323
59 Chemical materials and products nes	2,300	2,322	2,431	2,664	3,516	3,295	2,667	2,965	3,206



Table 14.4 Goods Exports by SITC section and division (continued)

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SITC (Rev 4)	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>	<b>1,817</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>1,714</b>	<b>1,818</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,243</b>	<b>1,453</b>	<b>1,658</b>	<b>1,671</b>
61 Leather; leather manufactures nes; dressed furskins	37	27	28	38	21	19	21	24	27
62 Rubber manufactures nes	88	73	61	61	52	44	51	56	65
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	224	251	263	283	216	166	198	200	218
64 Paper, paperboard and articles thereof	185	159	159	148	149	113	117	131	141
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	328	285	203	201	183	141	160	169	154
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures nes	375	361	322	316	282	219	251	227	275
67 Iron and steel	70	70	89	101	90	53	72	95	105
68 Non-ferrous metals	77	79	87	127	97	76	86	90	75
69 Manufactures of metals nes	434	450	502	544	571	412	496	666	611
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment</b>	<b>22,935</b>	<b>22,710</b>	<b>23,186</b>	<b>21,806</b>	<b>18,365</b>	<b>13,585</b>	<b>11,001</b>	<b>10,370</b>	<b>10,406</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	472	524	592	524	587	477	623	706	790
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	335	271	342	464	500	426	395	495	463
73 Metalworking machinery	84	81	87	39	45	31	27	25	28
74 General industrial machinery and equipment nes and parts nes	1,182	1,141	1,216	1,421	1,211	894	1,110	1,338	1,352
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	13,383	13,980	14,063	12,577	9,329	6,442	4,516	3,562	3,597
76 Telecommunications and sound equipment	1,496	1,460	1,384	1,414	1,318	1,001	829	708	963
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances nes and parts	5,528	4,911	5,133	4,795	4,793	3,336	3,080	2,873	2,609
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	322	239	248	326	249	271	179	195	213
79 Other transport equipment	134	102	121	245	333	708	241	468	390
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	<b>9,910</b>	<b>9,066</b>	<b>8,651</b>	<b>8,489</b>	<b>8,902</b>	<b>9,190</b>	<b>10,471</b>	<b>10,231</b>	<b>10,809</b>
81 Prefab buildings; plumbing and electrical fixtures and fittings	95	103	112	126	135	103	102	99	93
82 Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, cushions etc	96	110	146	120	102	85	95	95	98
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	14	14	12	34	14	16	26	38	28
84 Articles of apparel; clothing accessories	294	263	228	188	153	160	358	371	363
85 Footwear	31	33	28	32	28	26	51	54	54
87 Professional, scientific and controlling apparatus nes	3,796	2,703	2,308	2,109	2,806	3,009	3,260	3,380	3,615
88 Photographic apparatus; optical goods; watches and clocks	710	787	880	856	901	934	1,111	1,066	1,113
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles nes	4,873	5,053	4,937	5,025	4,764	4,857	5,467	5,127	5,444
<b>9 Commodities and transactions nec</b>	<b>2,874</b>	<b>2,671</b>	<b>2,168</b>	<b>1,905</b>	<b>1,981</b>	<b>2,464</b>	<b>2,711</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>487</b>
<b>Unclassified estimates<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>865</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>794</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>84,410</b>	<b>86,732</b>	<b>86,772</b>	<b>89,226</b>	<b>86,394</b>	<b>84,239</b>	<b>89,193</b>	<b>91,228</b>	<b>92,009</b>

<sup>1</sup> Estimates for which no commodity breakdown is available

Source: CSO

## External Trade

**Table 14.5 Goods Imports by SITC section and division**

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SITC (Rev 4)	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>0 Food and live animals</b>	<b>3,273</b>	<b>3,681</b>	<b>4,086</b>	<b>4,593</b>	<b>4,681</b>	<b>4,417</b>	<b>4,579</b>	<b>5,018</b>	<b>5,549</b>
00 Live animals other than animals of Division 03	225	246	294	284	239	186	173	200	183
01 Meat and meat preparations	481	555	613	633	688	639	656	713	781
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	340	374	410	459	479	387	435	474	540
03 Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	106	132	151	183	164	148	167	190	207
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	519	556	640	770	795	772	763	800	923
05 Vegetables and fruit	604	695	787	897	914	851	912	959	1,002
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	175	201	217	250	245	244	238	272	322
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	254	298	295	324	332	321	307	359	390
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)	333	349	381	426	444	475	531	626	802
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	237	275	298	367	381	394	397	426	398
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>842</b>
11 Beverages	638	703	727	821	754	677	725	710	754
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	58	73	78	82	82	92	96	96	89
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,103</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>678</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	3	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	0
22 Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	22	17	20	35	25	24	27	25	22
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	18	17	23	19	17	9	11	16	22
24 Cork and wood	362	395	412	416	230	122	125	107	100
25 Pulp and waste paper	21	17	17	28	25	29	41	53	51
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	20	20	18	20	17	11	14	14	13
27 Crude fertilisers and minerals, excluding coal, petroleum etc	173	216	320	283	227	140	128	192	123
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	113	128	127	154	148	113	196	179	185
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials nes	112	122	128	146	142	133	135	138	162
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>	<b>2,814</b>	<b>4,020</b>	<b>4,719</b>	<b>5,728</b>	<b>6,594</b>	<b>4,445</b>	<b>5,602</b>	<b>6,946</b>	<b>7,016</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	205	173	170	159	220	199	154	231	203
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	2,255	3,315	3,842	4,479	4,913	3,299	4,285	5,324	5,336
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	307	493	652	1,039	1,378	911	1,135	1,354	1,450
35 Electric current	47	40	56	51	83	36	27	36	28
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>249</b>
41 Animal oils and fats	5	6	7	7	9	8	10	13	14
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils	74	81	105	129	169	145	149	203	204
43 Animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed; waxes	38	43	51	24	30	24	22	32	30
<b>5 Chemicals and related products</b>	<b>7,140</b>	<b>7,419</b>	<b>7,964</b>	<b>8,127</b>	<b>8,282</b>	<b>7,372</b>	<b>8,758</b>	<b>10,415</b>	<b>10,192</b>
51 Organic chemicals	2,209	2,117	2,084	1,948	1,749	1,680	2,100	2,456	2,480
52 Inorganic chemicals	177	216	211	196	201	150	166	205	200
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	174	189	204	211	181	141	156	174	179
54 Medical and pharmaceutical products	1,970	1,995	2,235	2,397	2,867	2,849	3,464	4,387	4,127
55 Essential oils; perfume materials; toilet and cleansing preparations	901	992	1,152	1,176	1,095	965	968	1,031	1,040
56 Fertilisers (other than those of Division 27)	262	292	295	299	475	241	388	444	388
57 Plastics in primary forms	567	594	661	715	689	500	653	738	741
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	427	469	485	512	439	373	385	427	436
59 Chemical materials and products nes	453	554	637	673	586	473	479	555	600

Table 14.5 Goods Imports by SITC section and division (continued)

		€m								
SITC (Rev 4)	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>	<b>4,620</b>	<b>4,947</b>	<b>5,569</b>	<b>6,082</b>	<b>5,457</b>	<b>3,428</b>	<b>3,499</b>	<b>3,712</b>	<b>3,698</b>	
61 Leather; leather manufactures nes; dressed furskins	12	14	18	21	16	13	16	15	14	
62 Rubber manufactures nes	233	262	293	316	291	219	239	257	273	
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	314	360	384	376	282	173	170	158	155	
64 Paper, paperboard and articles thereof	770	792	820	887	906	701	727	788	846	
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	503	504	522	524	434	342	328	332	328	
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures nes	632	717	866	907	717	421	421	412	385	
67 Iron and steel	713	717	911	1,082	1,009	395	442	496	519	
68 Non-ferrous metals	448	451	532	644	548	353	403	468	443	
69 Manufactures of metals nes	996	1,130	1,224	1,325	1,252	810	754	786	735	
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment</b>	<b>21,964</b>	<b>25,002</b>	<b>25,571</b>	<b>25,379</b>	<b>20,049</b>	<b>14,292</b>	<b>12,324</b>	<b>12,426</b>	<b>12,486</b>	
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	619	777	739	704	626	737	743	771	858	
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	1,000	1,181	1,342	1,458	1,144	580	581	720	776	
73 Metalworking machinery	144	224	171	109	100	47	64	74	69	
74 General industrial machinery and equipment nes and parts nes	1,116	1,412	1,374	1,379	1,252	852	783	950	946	
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	7,854	9,195	10,452	9,277	6,749	3,678	2,701	2,693	2,635	
76 Telecommunications and sound equipment	1,678	2,026	2,129	1,978	1,762	1,275	1,129	1,058	1,193	
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances nes and parts	4,721	4,353	3,809	3,294	2,887	2,307	2,146	2,102	1,910	
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	3,292	3,797	4,102	4,575	3,228	898	1,558	1,711	1,607	
79 Other transport equipment	1,539	2,036	1,452	2,605	2,299	3,919	2,618	2,347	2,491	
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	<b>6,332</b>	<b>7,086</b>	<b>7,360</b>	<b>7,610</b>	<b>6,861</b>	<b>6,122</b>	<b>6,152</b>	<b>6,013</b>	<b>6,040</b>	
81 Prefab buildings; plumbing and electrical fixtures and fittings	271	293	321	352	269	199	170	152	150	
82 Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, cushions etc	434	506	616	664	516	334	327	290	292	
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	66	86	92	136	111	89	98	101	114	
84 Articles of apparel; clothing accessories	1,307	1,541	1,639	1,813	1,705	1,639	1,647	1,656	1,637	
85 Footwear	278	323	369	377	347	310	352	331	327	
87 Professional, scientific and controlling apparatus nes	716	877	948	944	912	917	957	953	1,008	
88 Photographic apparatus; optical goods; watches and clocks	225	260	291	283	248	185	227	221	200	
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles nes	3,035	3,202	3,084	3,041	2,753	2,450	2,373	2,310	2,312	
<b>9 Commodities and transactions nec</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>2,466</b>	<b>2,593</b>	<b>2,396</b>	<b>2,171</b>	<b>1,097</b>	<b>1,040</b>	
<b>Unclassified estimates<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,215</b>	<b>2,410</b>	<b>1,335</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>1,234</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,105</b>	<b>57,465</b>	<b>60,857</b>	<b>63,486</b>	<b>57,585</b>	<b>45,061</b>	<b>45,764</b>	<b>48,315</b>	<b>49,024</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Estimates for which no commodity breakdown is available  
Source: CSO

## External Trade

**Table 14.6 Goods Exports by commodity and principal countries**

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Country by section level of SITC	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>13,715</b>	<b>13,775</b>	<b>13,894</b>	<b>15,002</b>	<b>14,300</b>	<b>12,199</b>	<b>12,436</b>	<b>12,845</b>	<b>13,794</b>
0 Food and live animals	2,633	2,712	2,825	3,028	3,065	2,720	2,838	3,000	3,252
1 Beverages and tobacco	310	329	560	493	423	414	374	304	275
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	274	269	308	348	337	224	363	440	362
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	220	395	318	251	436	250	280	659	1,084
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	10	8	7	12	17	8	8	14	21
5 Chemicals and related products	3,501	3,516	3,413	4,468	4,681	4,535	4,956	4,958	5,258
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	564	523	553	643	579	472	550	606	645
7 Machinery and transport equipment	4,196	4,031	3,769	3,665	2,874	1,810	1,336	1,394	1,609
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,333	1,326	1,512	1,443	1,324	1,125	1,238	1,195	961
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	673	666	631	652	563	642	494	276	327
<b>Other EU</b>	<b>39,395</b>	<b>42,145</b>	<b>41,190</b>	<b>41,660</b>	<b>39,541</b>	<b>39,119</b>	<b>39,147</b>	<b>39,716</b>	<b>40,469</b>
0 Food and live animals	2,274	2,418	2,765	2,992	2,686	2,502	2,839	3,225	3,037
1 Beverages and tobacco	415	437	394	395	340	287	356	371	366
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	513	589	894	929	733	524	796	917	965
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	114	111	87	71	234	131	295	385	547
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	13	8	11	14	24	11	18	36	29
5 Chemicals and related products	19,742	22,028	20,577	21,528	22,393	25,080	24,490	25,429	26,419
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	811	797	820	894	826	601	700	780	729
7 Machinery and transport equipment	10,441	10,491	10,947	10,162	7,735	5,364	4,512	4,337	4,075
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	3,346	3,429	3,112	3,236	3,369	3,450	3,956	3,876	3,847
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	1,725	1,836	1,582	1,439	1,202	1,169	1,184	360	456
<b>USA</b>	<b>16,556</b>	<b>15,475</b>	<b>16,182</b>	<b>15,825</b>	<b>16,674</b>	<b>18,272</b>	<b>20,761</b>	<b>21,601</b>	<b>18,160</b>
0 Food and live animals	84	84	92	96	75	72	72	86	104
1 Beverages and tobacco	185	202	260	301	283	240	274	305	343
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	17	15	22	33	26	18	18	24	31
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	34	46	69	166	42	58	162	165	163
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 Chemicals and related products	9,080	9,170	10,395	10,515	10,754	11,806	14,271	16,551	12,667
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	246	261	158	107	106	69	85	113	116
7 Machinery and transport equipment	2,639	2,576	2,510	2,039	1,902	1,714	1,007	966	1,002
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	3,621	2,601	2,350	2,333	2,881	3,056	3,465	3,375	3,712
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	649	519	326	234	605	1,239	1,407	17	22

Table 14.6 Goods Exports by commodity and principal countries (continued)

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Country by section level of SITC	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>China<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>1,472</b>	<b>1,436</b>	<b>1,503</b>	<b>1,989</b>	<b>2,325</b>	<b>2,330</b>	<b>2,494</b>	<b>2,330</b>	<b>2,167</b>
0 Food and live animals	28	50	72	94	78	116	129	193	269
1 Beverages and tobacco	1	3	3	4	4	2	4	4	4
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	37	39	46	52	66	91	114	99	93
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	3
5 Chemicals and related products	159	180	331	475	525	510	804	805	575
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	13	10	19	22	20	10	12	23	21
7 Machinery and transport equipment	1,123	1,015	886	1,189	1,495	1,473	1,244	1,021	972
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	79	74	86	88	102	108	163	181	231
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	32	64	58	53	34	21	25	0	0
<b>Rest of World</b>	<b>13,272</b>	<b>13,901</b>	<b>14,003</b>	<b>14,749</b>	<b>13,555</b>	<b>12,319</b>	<b>14,354</b>	<b>14,736</b>	<b>17,419</b>
0 Food and live animals	1,045	1,114	1,280	1,393	1,181	861	1,106	1,370	1,402
1 Beverages and tobacco	126	132	142	215	187	136	196	194	209
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	149	165	223	176	151	115	154	284	279
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	31	65	88	186	120	156	289	145	4
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
5 Chemicals and related products	5,010	5,527	4,979	6,084	5,873	6,057	7,706	8,287	10,082
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	183	164	165	151	129	92	106	136	160
7 Machinery and transport equipment	4,536	4,596	5,074	4,752	4,358	3,225	2,902	2,652	2,748
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,531	1,636	1,592	1,389	1,226	1,451	1,649	1,604	2,058
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	659	501	460	403	329	226	246	62	476
<b>Total</b>	<b>84,410</b>	<b>86,732</b>	<b>86,772</b>	<b>89,226</b>	<b>86,394</b>	<b>84,239</b>	<b>89,193</b>	<b>91,228</b>	<b>92,009</b>

<sup>1</sup> China includes Hong Kong and Macau  
Source: CSO

## External Trade

**Table 14.7 Goods Imports by commodity and principal countries**

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Country by section level of SITC	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>14,885</b>	<b>16,995</b>	<b>18,099</b>	<b>19,509</b>	<b>17,941</b>	<b>12,787</b>	<b>13,823</b>	<b>15,638</b>	<b>15,419</b>
0 Food and live animals	1,570	1,697	1,871	2,073	2,162	2,038	2,077	2,221	2,366
1 Beverages and tobacco	181	192	196	216	181	163	158	176	256
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	142	174	210	212	182	125	155	166	142
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1,756	2,446	2,612	3,357	3,759	2,451	3,207	4,647	4,211
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	43	48	55	50	65	51	50	43	41
5 Chemicals and related products	1,983	2,020	2,297	2,445	2,358	1,951	1,952	2,001	1,934
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,087	2,201	2,368	2,560	2,374	1,377	1,391	1,489	1,517
7 Machinery and transport equipment	4,039	4,881	4,898	4,799	3,501	1,895	2,120	2,331	2,335
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,319	2,529	2,728	2,873	2,547	2,064	2,039	1,980	1,947
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	765	806	864	925	812	671	675	584	670
<b>Other EU</b>	<b>15,068</b>	<b>16,537</b>	<b>18,630</b>	<b>19,891</b>	<b>18,614</b>	<b>13,938</b>	<b>14,039</b>	<b>14,718</b>	<b>13,801</b>
0 Food and live animals	1,203	1,431	1,571	1,794	1,877	1,743	1,785	1,997	2,310
1 Beverages and tobacco	375	429	462	530	534	472	504	486	429
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	364	384	457	469	358	257	254	236	237
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	254	260	420	718	1,470	805	763	624	361
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	48	51	72	83	103	96	99	152	160
5 Chemicals and related products	2,592	2,943	3,135	3,308	3,410	3,066	3,570	4,278	4,099
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1,716	1,834	2,106	2,328	1,978	1,279	1,278	1,353	1,334
7 Machinery and transport equipment	6,479	6,880	7,825	7,909	6,424	4,055	3,696	3,989	3,271
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,246	1,413	1,485	1,540	1,356	1,186	1,129	1,147	1,100
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	790	912	1,097	1,212	1,106	979	960	456	500
<b>USA</b>	<b>6,985</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>6,808</b>	<b>7,051</b>	<b>6,763</b>	<b>7,842</b>	<b>6,427</b>	<b>5,907</b>	<b>6,397</b>
0 Food and live animals	159	147	182	183	156	128	208	205	165
1 Beverages and tobacco	23	27	20	21	13	12	11	10	12
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	48	69	72	57	66	39	42	44	42
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	14	16	17	69	69	13	7	187	125
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	8	12	13	6	10	5	3	4	2
5 Chemicals and related products	1,346	1,211	1,052	1,176	1,023	955	1,222	1,496	1,755
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	197	238	255	252	308	252	266	262	248
7 Machinery and transport equipment	3,494	4,597	3,665	3,898	3,593	4,712	3,419	2,898	3,235
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,553	1,556	1,380	1,218	1,005	929	779	760	773
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	142	126	153	169	519	797	470	41	42

Table 14.7 Goods Imports by commodity and principal countries (continued)

€m

Country by section level of SITC	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>China<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>3,277</b>	<b>4,245</b>	<b>4,773</b>	<b>5,169</b>	<b>4,275</b>	<b>2,879</b>	<b>2,756</b>	<b>2,714</b>	<b>2,860</b>
0 Food and live animals	8	9	9	14	14	18	23	28	26
1 Beverages and tobacco	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	37	43	57	71	38	15	17	20	17
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	1	0
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
5 Chemicals and related products	42	56	70	92	121	123	139	163	176
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	126	203	283	394	348	253	286	293	296
7 Machinery and transport equipment	2,537	3,150	3,488	3,580	2,677	1,407	1,067	1,095	1,222
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	502	747	823	968	1,009	999	1,166	1,088	1,090
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	24	35	42	49	62	63	57	25	32
<b>Rest of World</b>	<b>10,891</b>	<b>11,688</b>	<b>12,546</b>	<b>11,867</b>	<b>9,991</b>	<b>7,615</b>	<b>8,718</b>	<b>9,338</b>	<b>10,547</b>
0 Food and live animals	333	398	452	529	472	490	485	567	682
1 Beverages and tobacco	117	125	126	134	108	122	148	133	145
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	252	266	273	293	188	147	210	260	240
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	788	1,298	1,670	1,584	1,290	1,176	1,624	1,487	2,319
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	17	18	23	22	29	24	29	49	46
5 Chemicals and related products	1,177	1,188	1,410	1,106	1,371	1,277	1,875	2,476	2,228
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	495	471	558	548	449	267	277	315	305
7 Machinery and transport equipment	5,415	5,494	5,695	5,193	3,854	2,223	2,022	2,113	2,424
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	710	841	943	1,012	944	943	1,039	1,038	1,130
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere	1,588	1,588	1,396	1,446	1,286	945	1,007	900	1,030
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,105</b>	<b>57,465</b>	<b>60,857</b>	<b>63,486</b>	<b>57,585</b>	<b>45,061</b>	<b>45,764</b>	<b>48,315</b>	<b>49,024</b>

<sup>1</sup> China includes Hong Kong and Macau  
Source: CSO

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**Table 14.8 Goods Exports by industrial origin**

	€m									
Industrial origin	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Agricultural produce	4,144	4,413	4,807	5,060	4,999	4,279	4,946	5,861	5,876	
Forestry and fishing produce	450	408	415	450	404	390	472	523	620	
Industrial produce	78,836	80,876	80,524	82,456	80,042	78,488	82,994	84,168	84,624	
Unclassified exports	980	1,035	1,027	1,260	949	1,082	781	675	888	
<b>Total Exports</b>	<b>84,410</b>	<b>86,732</b>	<b>86,772</b>	<b>89,226</b>	<b>86,394</b>	<b>84,239</b>	<b>89,193</b>	<b>91,228</b>	<b>92,009</b>	

Source: CSO

**Table 14.9 Percentage distribution of Goods Exports by industrial origin**

	%									
Industrial origin	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Agricultural produce	4.9	5.1	5.5	5.7	5.8	5.1	5.5	6.4	6.4	
Forestry and fishing produce	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	
Industrial produce	93.4	93.2	92.8	92.4	92.6	93.2	93.1	92.3	92.0	
Unclassified exports	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.1	1.3	0.9	0.7	1.0	
<b>Total Exports</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	

Source: CSO

**Goods Exports by origin of produce**

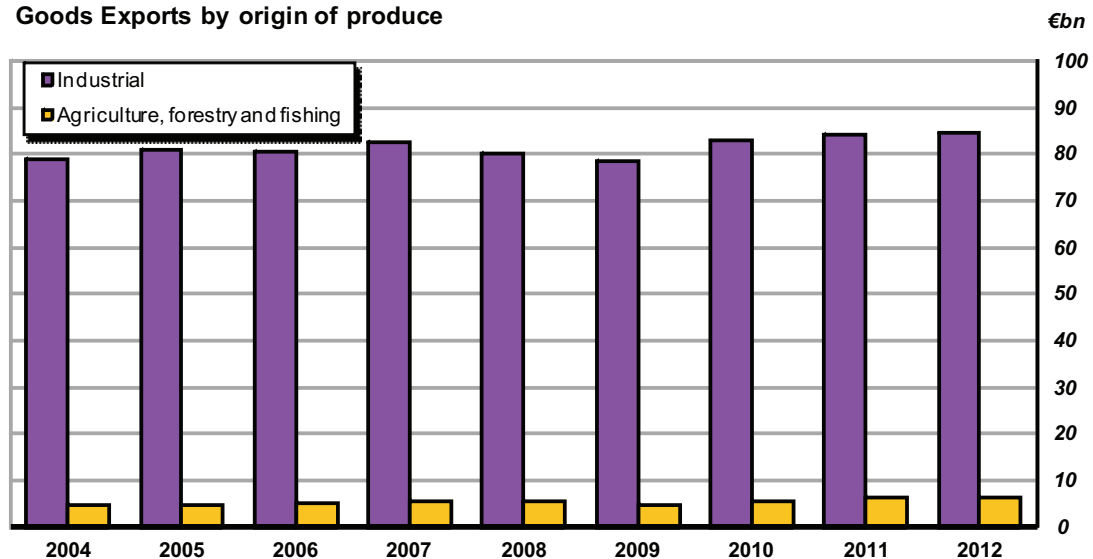




Table 14.10 Goods Imports by main use

€m									
Main use	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>Producers' capital goods ready for use</b>	<b>6,619</b>	<b>8,255</b>	<b>7,098</b>	<b>8,481</b>	<b>6,904</b>	<b>6,339</b>	<b>5,279</b>	<b>5,140</b>	<b>5,373</b>
<b>Consumption goods ready for use</b>	<b>13,195</b>	<b>14,688</b>	<b>16,011</b>	<b>17,404</b>	<b>16,395</b>	<b>13,684</b>	<b>14,813</b>	<b>15,944</b>	<b>15,916</b>
Food, drink and tobacco	3,060	3,480	3,823	4,263	4,312	4,018	4,192	4,481	4,763
Other	10,136	11,207	12,188	13,140	12,083	9,666	10,621	11,463	11,153
<b>Materials for further production</b>	<b>29,135</b>	<b>32,141</b>	<b>35,151</b>	<b>34,921</b>	<b>31,864</b>	<b>23,032</b>	<b>23,704</b>	<b>25,273</b>	<b>25,507</b>
Agriculture	1,086	1,143	1,267	1,383	1,644	1,257	1,594	1,905	1,982
Other	28,048	30,998	33,884	33,538	30,220	21,775	22,110	23,368	23,526
<b>Unclassified imports</b>	<b>2,157</b>	<b>2,381</b>	<b>2,597</b>	<b>2,680</b>	<b>2,422</b>	<b>2,006</b>	<b>1,967</b>	<b>1,958</b>	<b>2,229</b>
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>51,105</b>	<b>57,465</b>	<b>60,857</b>	<b>63,486</b>	<b>57,585</b>	<b>45,061</b>	<b>45,764</b>	<b>48,315</b>	<b>49,024</b>

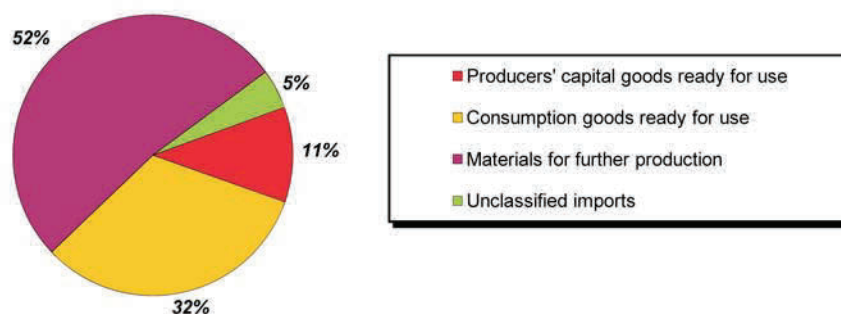
Source: CSO

Table 14.11 Percentage distribution of Goods Imports by main use

%									
Main use	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>Producers' capital goods ready for use</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>11.0</b>
<b>Consumption goods ready for use</b>	<b>25.8</b>	<b>25.6</b>	<b>26.3</b>	<b>27.4</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>30.4</b>	<b>32.4</b>	<b>33.0</b>	<b>32.5</b>
Food, drink and tobacco	6.0	6.1	6.3	6.7	7.5	8.9	9.2	9.3	9.7
Other	19.8	19.5	20.0	20.7	21.0	21.5	23.2	23.7	22.8
<b>Materials for further production</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>57.8</b>	<b>55.0</b>	<b>55.3</b>	<b>51.1</b>	<b>51.8</b>	<b>52.3</b>	<b>52.0</b>
Agriculture	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.9	2.8	3.5	3.9	4.0
Other	54.9	53.9	55.7	52.8	52.5	48.3	48.3	48.4	48.0
<b>Unclassified imports</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>4.5</b>
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: CSO

Distribution of Goods Imports by main use, 2012



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**Table 14.12 Goods Exports by area**

										€m
Area	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
<b>European Union</b>										
Great Britain	13,715	13,775	13,894	15,002	14,300	12,199	12,436	12,845	13,794	
Northern Ireland	1,484	1,577	1,672	1,741	1,565	1,286	1,316	1,422	1,445	
Other member states	37,810	40,408	39,325	39,920	37,976	37,833	37,831	38,293	39,024	
<b>Other European countries</b>										
Members of EFTA	3,298	3,875	3,192	3,875	3,085	2,916	3,992	4,109	5,393	
Other Europe	207	604	698	570	555	526	561	641	640	
<b>Other countries</b>										
NAFTA	17,344	16,280	17,092	16,824	17,610	19,157	21,798	22,776	19,621	
Other APEC	7,583	7,510	7,730	7,927	8,180	7,373	7,785	7,189	7,350	
Rest of world	2,538	2,441	2,891	3,083	2,914	2,828	3,341	3,890	4,625	
Unclassified	430	262	278	285	210	121	133	63	117	
<b>Total</b>	<b>84,410</b>	<b>86,732</b>	<b>86,772</b>	<b>89,226</b>	<b>86,394</b>	<b>84,239</b>	<b>89,193</b>	<b>91,228</b>	<b>92,009</b>	
<i>of which members of OECD</i>	<i>77,574</i>	<i>79,741</i>	<i>78,785</i>	<i>80,523</i>	<i>77,412</i>	<i>76,118</i>	<i>80,261</i>	<i>82,146</i>	<i>82,332</i>	

Source: CSO

**Table 14.13 Goods Imports by area**

										€m
Area	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
<b>European Union</b>										
Great Britain	14,885	16,995	18,099	19,509	17,941	12,787	13,823	15,638	15,419	
Northern Ireland	1,149	1,276	1,325	1,361	1,261	941	990	1,047	1,023	
Other member states	13,852	15,202	17,226	18,530	17,353	12,997	13,049	13,671	12,777	
<b>Other European countries</b>										
Members of EFTA	1,507	2,067	2,444	2,089	1,841	1,328	2,149	1,937	1,905	
Other Europe	100	503	642	573	450	285	290	333	376	
<b>Other countries</b>										
NAFTA	7,405	8,421	7,353	7,583	7,316	8,403	6,900	6,412	6,914	
Other APEC	9,650	10,581	11,233	10,884	8,559	5,621	5,471	5,410	5,525	
Rest of world	1,484	1,294	1,312	1,682	1,458	1,584	1,770	2,000	3,479	
Unclassified	1,073	1,127	1,222	1,276	1,404	1,115	1,321	1,868	1,604	
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,105</b>	<b>57,465</b>	<b>60,857</b>	<b>63,486</b>	<b>57,585</b>	<b>45,061</b>	<b>45,764</b>	<b>48,315</b>	<b>49,024</b>	
<i>of which members of OECD</i>	<i>42,372</i>	<i>47,418</i>	<i>49,612</i>	<i>52,061</i>	<i>47,724</i>	<i>37,597</i>	<i>38,159</i>	<i>40,068</i>	<i>39,296</i>	

Source: CSO



