

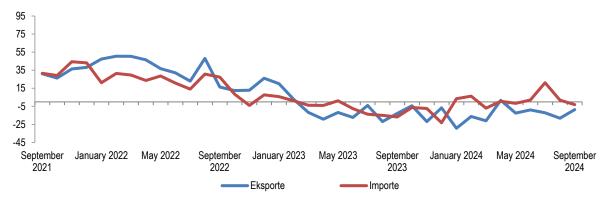


# **Foreign Trade in Goods**

# September 2024

**Tirana, October 17, 2024:** On September 2024 the value of exports was ALL 31 billion, decreasing by - 8.5 %, compared with the same period of previous year and increasing by 36.6 %, compared with August 2024. The value of imports was ALL 71 billion, decreasing by - 3.1 %, compared with the same period of previous year and increasing by 3.0 %, compared with August 2024. This month the trade deficit is ALL 40 billion, increasing by 1.5 %, compared with September 2023 and decreasing by -13.2 %, compared with August 2024.

Fig.1 Annual change in Foring Trade (%)



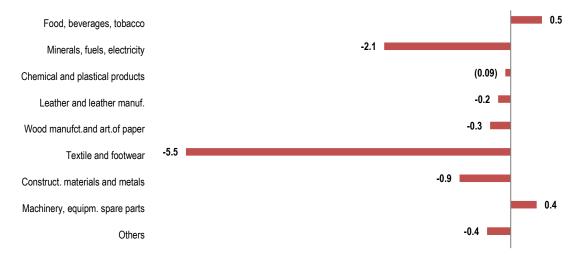
In the first nine months of 2024, the value of exports was ALL 284 billion, decreasing by -14.2 %, compared with previous year and the value of imports was ALL 666 billion, increasing by 2.4 %, compared with previous year. Trade deficit was ALL 380 billion, increasing by 19.8 %, compared with the same period of 2023.

### The influence of the main groups in the annual change in exports:

In annual decrease of exports by - 8.5 % this month, a contribution was given by the groups: "Textile and footwear" with - 5.5 percentage point, "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with - 2.1 percentage point, "Constructions materials and metals" with - 0.9 percentage point, etc. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Food, beverages, tobacco" with + 0.5 percentage point and "Machinery, equipment and spare parts" with + 0.4 percentage point.

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Exports during the nine months of 2024 are decreased by - 14.2 %, compared with the same period of previous year. The main groups that influenced more in annual decrease of exports are: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with - 6.0 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with - 5.1 percentage point, "Constructions materials and metals" with - 1.5 percentage point. While a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Chemical and plastical products" with + 0.04 percentage point.

### The influence of the main groups in the annual change in imports:

In annual decrease of imports by - 3.1 %, this month has mainly affected the group: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with - 1.4 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with - 0.9 percentage point, "Constructions materials and metals" with - 0.6 percentage point, etc. While a positive contribution was given by the group: "Machinery, equipment and spare parts" with + 0.8 percentage point, "Chemical and plastical products" with + 0.5 percentage point.

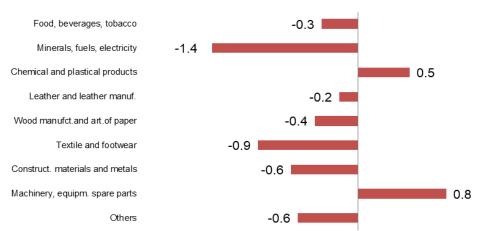


Fig. 3 Contribution of groups in annual change of imports, September 2023

In the first nine months of 2024, imports are increased by 2.4 %, compared with the same period of previous year. The groups affected negativity in annual decrease of imports, are: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with - 1.2 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with - 0.9 percentage point, "Leather and leather manuf" with - 0.3 percentage point. While a positive contribution was given by the group: "Machinery, equipment and spare parts" with + 2.7 percentage point, "Food, beverages, tobacco" with +1.3 percentage point.

## The performance of trade in goods by partner countries

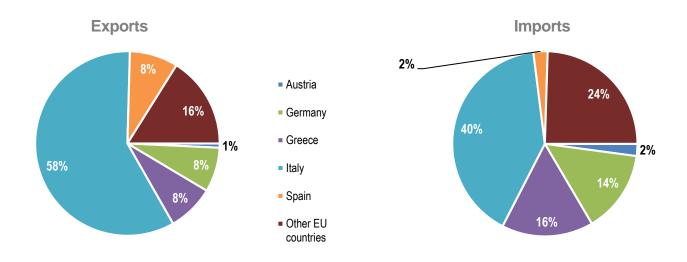
In September 2024, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of exports, compared to September 2023 are: Italy (22.4 %), Kosovo (40.0 %), Greece (7.7 %). While, country with which has had an increase of imports is: Spain (67.0 %).

In the first nine months of 2024, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of exports, compared to the same period of 2023 are: Italy (14.2 %), Kosovo (6.7 %), Greece (22.7 %), ect. While, countries with which has had an increase of exports are: China (23.4 %), USA (81.0 %) etc.

In September 2024, countries with which Albania has had the highest decrease of imports, compared to September 2023 are: Italy (9.3 %), Switzerland (20.1 %), North Macedonia (29.2 %), ect. While, countries with which has had an increase of imports are: Turkey (16.5 %), Greece (16.0 %), China (13.0 %), etc.

In the first nine months or 2024, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to the same period of 2023 are: Turkey (17.5 %), Germany (4.3 %), Greece (19.0 %), ect. While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: Italy (3.1 %), Spain (3.3 %), China (0.1 %), etc.

Fig. 4 ForeignTrade in Goods by several EU countries September 2023



Trade with the EU countries is 56.8 % of total trade. In September 2024, exports to EU countries occuped 70.5 % of total export and imports from EU countries occuped 50.9 % of total import. The main trade partners remain: Italy (26.5 %), China (9.2 %), Greece (7.3 %) and Turkey (7.1 %).

Trade with the EU countries, in the first nine months of 2024 is 57.2 % of total trade. In this period, the share of exports to EU countries was 70.9 % of total export and share of imports from EU contries was 51.4 % of total import. The main trade partners are: Italy (27.8 %), China (8.2 %), Turkey (8.1 %) and Greece (7.2 %).

**Tab. 1 Flow of goods (billion ALL)** 

Years	Months	Exports		Imports	Annual Change	Trade Balance	Percentage of
2000		37	-23.5	157	-1.5	-120	23.6
2001		44	19.1	190	21.0	-146	23.2
2002		47	7.7	210	10.6	-163	22.6
2003		54	14.7	226	7.4	-172	24.1
2004		62	14.0	236 262	4.5	-174 400	26.3
2005		66	6.0	202	11.1	-196	25.1
2006 2007		77	17.6	299 376	14.1	-222	25.9
2007		97 113	25.5 15.8	440	25.8 16.9	-279 -327	25.8 25.6
2009		105	-7.2	429	-2.5	-327 -324	25.0 24.4
2010		162	54.6	478	11.4	-316	33.8
2011		162 197	21.9	544	13.9	-316 -347	36.2
2012		213	8.2	528	-2.9	-315	40.3
2013		246	15.7	517	-2.1	-271	47.6
2014		246 256	3.8	552	6.7	-271 -296	46.
2015		243	-4.9	545	-1.4	-302	44.7
2016		243	0.1	579	6.4	-336	42.0
2017		273	12.1	626	8.1	-353	43.0
2018		310	13.7	641	2.4	-331	48.4
2019		299	-3.8	649	1.2	-350	46.0
2020		272	-9.0	605	-6.8	-333	44.
2021		369	35.6	801	32.3	-432	46.
2022		487	32.0	950	18.7	-464	51.
2020	01 - 20	23	5.3	42	-0.4	-19	54.9
	02 - 20	25	10.6	42 52	3.9	-27	48.3
	03 - 20	18	-36.0	44	-20.8	-27	40.
	04 - 20	15	-44.2	36	-36.4	-21	41.
	05 – 20	22	-22.5	45	-24.2	-23	48.
	06 – 20	23	-9.6	45 52	-2.4	-29	44.
	07 – 20	25	-11.5	57	-5.0	-29 -32	43.
	08 – 20	19	-3.4	48	-6.7	-29	40.
	09 – 20	25	1.3	52	0.5	-27 -234	48.
	JanSep.20 01 - 21	195	-13.5	429	-10.9	-234	45.4
2021	01 - 21	24	3.1	45	8.4	-22 -27	52.3
	02 - 21	25	-0.9	52	0.9	-27	47.4
	03 - 21	32	78.1	45 52 64 63	45.3	-33	49.2
	04 – 21	29	92.3	63	72.9	-34	45.0
	05 – 21	33	52.7	62	38.4	-29	53.
	06 – 21	35	50.8	67	28.9	-32	51.
	07 – 21	32	30.6	72	26.1	-39	44.
	08-21	24	22.5	61	26.2	-37	39.
	09 – 21 JanSep.21	25 195	1.3 -13.5	52	0.5 -10.9	-27 -234	48.
2022	01 - 22	35	-13.3 47.5	429	-10.9	-23 <del>4</del> -20	45.
2022	01 - 22	37	47.5 50.5	55 60	21.1 31.5	-20 -31	63. 54.
	03 - 22	48	50.4	69 84	29.7	-36	54. 57.
	04 - 22	42	46.6	78	23.7	-36	57. 54.
	05 – 22	45	36.8	80	28.6	-35 -35	56.
	06 – 22	45	32.2	81	20.8	-35 -35	56.
	07 – 22	39	23.0	82	20.6 14.1	-55 -42	48.
	08 – 22	35	48.1	80	30.8	<del>-42</del> -44	44.
	09 – 22	39	52.5	88	67.6	-49	43.
	JanSep.22	366	88.2	695	62.1	-329	52.
2023	01 - 23	42	20.2	58	5.8	-16	72
	02 - 23	38	2.8	69	1.1	-31	55
	03 - 23	42	-11.7	81	-3.7	-38	52
	04 – 23	34	-19.2	75	-3.9	-41	45
	05 – 23	40	-11.7	81	1.2	-41	49
	06 – 23	38	-17.3	75	-7.5	-37	50
	07 – 23	38	-4.0	71	-13.6	-33	53
	08 – 23	27	-21.9	68	-15.0	-40	40
	09 – 23	34	-12.8	73	-16.6	-40	45
	JanSep.23	333	-9.0	650	-6.5	-317	51
2024	01-24	30	-29.2	60	3.4	-30	49
	02-24	32	-16.1	74	6.4	-42	43
	03-24	33	-21.0	75	-7.0	-42	44
	04-24	35	1.8	75	0.6	<u>-41</u>	45
	05-24	35	-12.4	<u>79</u>	-1.6	-45	43
	06-24	35	-8.9	77	2.1	-42	45.
	07-24	33	-12.0	85	21.1	-52	39.
	08-24	22	-18.2	69	1.9	-46	32.
	09-24	31 286	-8.5 -14.2	71	-3.1	-40 -380	43.
	Jan – Sep.24	286	-14.2	666	2.4	-380	42

Tab. 2 Foreign trade in goods by partner countries (million ALL)

	Exports						Imports	
	September 2023	September 2024	JanSt. 2023	JanSt.2024	September 2023	September 2024	JanSt. 2023	JanSt.2024
EU countries	24,911	21,649	242,902	202,747	37,464	36,151	332,386	341,857
Austria	549	159	3,235	1,805	1,438	757	6,236	6,015
Germany	1,881	1,676	17,948	16,414	5,003	5,139	45,459	47,411
Greece	1,908	1,760	22,872	17,672	4,924	5,711	42,811	50,954
Italy	16,209	12,584	144,648	124,041	15,911	14,425	144,871	140,319
Spain	1,090	1,820	14,611	9,730	895	886	10,278	9,941
Croatia	195	199	3,777	3,113	1,333	494	6,620	3,788
Others of EU	3,079	3,451	35,812	29,972	7,959	8,739	76,111	83,428
United Kingdom	103	96	5,988	1,106	893	707	6,313	7,261
China	1,089	1,045	6,804	8,397	7,371	8,333	69,957	69,908
Kosovo	3,645	2,186	31,164	29,078	1,017	1,460	8,531	12,154
North Macedonia	1,028	546	13,275	9,766	1,310	928	10,418	8,937
Russia	-	-	8	7	307	412	3,477	2,861
USA	275	2,869	3,232	5,848	1,645	1,845	13,107	14,800
Turkey	438	288	3,088	3,036	5,988	6,973	62,687	73,655
Ukraine	20	219	1,045	2,720	258	213	2,939	3,143
Switzerland	144	165	3,795	1,854	1,502	1,199	10,580	6,653
Others	1,943	1,665	21,951	21,250	15,547	12,797	129,848	124,416
Total	33,596	30,728	333,252	285,811	73,302	71,019	650,242	665,644

Tab. 3 Foreign trade by group of goods (million ALL)

Group of goods		Exports	5					
	September 2023	September 2024	JanSt. 2023	JanSt. 2024	September 2023	September 2024	JanSt. 2023	JanSt. 2024
Total	33,596	30,728	333,252	285,811	73,302	71,019	650,242	665,644
Food. beverages. tobacco	3,325	3,502	41,769	38,560	12,933	12,682	108,618	117,066
Minerals. fuels. electricity	5,739	5,024	75,053	55,224	9,337	8,336	77,015	69,096
Chemical and plastical products	1,328	1,298	11,695	11,841	9,170	9,523	85,784	86,119
Leather and leather manuf.	212	140	2,078	1,511	1,050	921	10,530	8,797
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	962	846	8,469	7,445	2,558	2,262	22,446	22,259
Textile and footwear	10,646	8,810	96,031	78,996	8,536	7,847	69,969	64,015
Construct. materials and metals	6,969	6,680	59,069	54,028	9,302	8,842	90,534	92,307
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	3,453	3,599	29,964	28,217	17,123	17,726	158,574	176,189
Others	962	829	9,124	9,989	3,293	2,880	26,771	29,798

Tab. 4 Progressive data of exports by group of goods and main partners (million ALL)

	Italy		Kosovo		Greece		Germany	
Group of goods	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
Total	144,648	124,041	31,164	31,164	22,872	17,672	17,948	16,414
Food. beverages. tobacco	11,278	10,258	4,983	4,725	3,515	3,204	1,497	1,365
Minerals. fuels. electricity	7,623	10,497	6,224	6,405	7,902	2,614	6,121	4,665
Chemical and plastical products	4,471	4,381	3,093	3,164	814	729	39	43
Leather and leather manuf.	1,943	1,296	7	5	32	146	9	1
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	4,903	3,937	920	944	1,341	1,168	93	94
Textile and footwear	74,816	59,348	169	129	5,247	5,842	7,392	6,892
Construct. materials and metals	19,399	16,188	12,835	11,135	3,173	3,191	1,111	803
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	16,112	14,230	1,684	1,571	99	185	1,429	2,238
Others	4,103	3,908	1,248	1,001	750	593	257	312

Tab. 5 Progressive data of imports by group of goods and main partners (million ALL)

	Italy		CI	China		Turkey		Greece	
Group of goods	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	
Total	144,871	140,319	69,957	69,908	62,687	73,655	42,811	50,954	
Food. beverages. tobacco	21,453	23,829	1,419	1,293	4,421	4,077	13,241	14,357	
Minerals. fuels. electricity	5,045	3,630	34	17	7,761	8,567	4,360	8,329	
Chemical and plastical products	17,462	17,199	6,090	5,667	8,831	9,185	7,231	8,345	
Leather and leather manuf.	8,456	6,725	685	759	250	260	38	123	
Wood manufct. and art. of paper	5,036	4,523	1,553	1,507	3,413	3,576	3,007	3,034	
Textile and footwear	32,269	26,764	9,663	10,522	10,575	8,720	3,992	4,748	
Construct. materials and metals	18,876	16,391	10,262	9,511	15,118	21,863	6,438	6,802	
Machinery. equipm. spare parts	30,083	32,756	35,014	34,460	9,283	14,211	3,050	3,395	
Others	6,189	8,500	5,237	6,171	3,035	3,196	1,454	1,823	

Methodology

Exports are goods destined to a third country. placed under customs export or outward processing arrangements or re-exported following inward processing.

The FOB (free on board) value of exports of goods is the value of the goods at the exporter's customs frontier.

Imports are goods arrived from a third country and are directly placed. or are left in warehouse. under customs procedure of release for free circulation. inward processing or processing under customs control.

The cost. insurance and freight (CIF) price is the price of a good delivered at the frontier of the importing country. or the price of a service delivered to resident. before the payment of any import duties or other taxes on imports or trade and transport margins within the country.

Combined Nomenclature (CN) is a goods nomenclature used by international trade in goods statistics and for customs tariffs.

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#### Monthly revisions

The data made available for the last month have an effect also on the revision of the previous months. because with the arrival of data for the last month there are also updated data for previous months as a result of administrative resource updates.

#### **Explanation of Symbols**

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