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BALANCE OF PAYMENTS¹

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Current and Capital Account

In the period January – October 2008, the Current and Capital account deficit was EUR 6,347.2 million (18.7% of GDP²), against a deficit of EUR 4,448.7 million (15.4% of GDP) for the same period in 2007.

Current Account

The Current account for October 2008 was negative and amounted to EUR 1,064.2 million and the deficit increased by EUR 354.2 million compared to the same month in 2007 (deficit of EUR 710 million). The main factor for the increase of the current account deficit compared to October 2007 was the higher (by EUR 238.9 million) trade deficit.

The Current account deficit in the period January – October 2008 was EUR 6,588.8 million, which is an increase of EUR 1,978.5 million compared to January – October 2007 (EUR 4,610.3 million). As a percent of GDP the deficit amounted to 19.4% and was higher by 3.4 p.p. compared to January – October 2007 (16% of GDP). The main factor for the increase of the current account deficit was the higher (by EUR 1,711.5 million) trade deficit, the increase of income deficit (by EUR 512.7 million) and decrease of services balance (by EUR 17.5 million). The contribution of the item *Current Transfers, net* was positive – EUR 263.2 million.

The trade deficit³ for October 2008 (EUR 948.7 million) increased by 238.9 million compared to October 2007 (EUR 709.8 million). Over the reporting period the trade balance was negative, amounting to EUR 7,400.4 million and the deficit increased by EUR 1,711.5 million compared to January – October 2007 (a deficit of EUR 5,688.8 million). As a percent of GDP the deficit amounted to 21.8% and was higher by 2.1 p.p. compared to January – October 2007 (19.7% of GDP). The trade deficit increase was also due to the increase of crude oil and natural gas prices.

- In October 2008 **Exports (FOB)** amounted to EUR 1,276.9 million compared to EUR 1,304.9 million for the same month in 2007 and decreased by EUR 28 million (2.1%). In January – October 2008, exports amounted to EUR 13,241.3 million and increased by 18.9% (EUR

¹ The analysis is prepared based on the analytical table of the Balance of Payments in EUR. The 2007 and 2008 data are preliminary. The data for April – September 2008 are revised. With the November 2008 report revisions of the October 2008 data will be presented.

² GDP for 2007 (preliminary NSI data) – EUR 28,898 million and GDP for 2008 estimated at EUR 34,022 million.

³ Exports and imports data should be interpreted carefully due to the problems with their coverage and quality in 2007 after the introduction of the INTRASTAT system as from January 1, 2007.

2,106.8 million) compared to the same period in 2007 (EUR 11,134.5 million). The exports growth rate in January – October 2007 yoy was 11.5%.

- **Imports (FOB)** for October 2008 amounted to EUR 2,225.7 million compared to EUR 2,014.7 million for the same month in 2007 and increased by EUR 211 million (10.5%). In January – October 2008 imports (FOB) amounted to EUR 20,641.7 million and increased by 22.7% (EUR 3,818.3 million) compared to the same period in 2007 (EUR 16,823.3 million). The imports growth rate for January – October 2007 yoy was 18.4%. The difference in imports growth rates yoy for the reporting period in 2008 and for the same period in 2007 was due to the increase of crude oil and natural gas prices.

The balance on **the Services item** was positive, amounting to EUR 1,177.2 million (3.5% of GDP) against a positive balance of EUR 1,194.6 million (4.1% of GDP) for the same period in the previous year. It decreased by EUR 17.5 million compared to the same period in 2007 and this was mainly due to the decrease of the balance on item *Transportation* (by EUR 96.5 million).

- The Travel balance was positive, amounting to EUR 967.7 million (2.8% of GDP) against a positive balance amounting to EUR 985.7 million (3.4% of GDP) for the period January – October 2007.

Income balance was negative amounting to EUR 874.3 million (2.6% of GDP) compared to a negative balance of EUR 361.6 million (1.3% of GDP) for January – October 2007. The increase of the income deficit yoy (by EUR 512.7 million) was mainly due to higher payments on Direct Investments (by EUR 582.5 million).

Net Current transfers amounted to EUR 508.7 million (1.5% of GDP) against EUR 245.5 million (0.8% of GDP) for January – October 2007, and increased by EUR 263.2 million. The receipts from the European Union (EUR 485.5 million) increased by EUR 367.2 million compared to the same period in 2007 (EUR 118.3 million). The payments of current transfers towards the EU for the reporting period amounted to EUR 295 million against EUR 249.1 million for the same period in the previous year.

Capital Account

The Capital account balance amounted to EUR 241.6 million (EUR 237.8 million net capital transfers from the EU funds), compared to a positive balance of EUR 161.5 million (EUR 156.3 million net capital transfers from the EU funds) for the period January – October 2007. It was higher by EUR 80.1 million yoy.

Financial Account

The Financial account balance was positive amounting to EUR 9,946.5 million, compared to a positive balance of EUR 8,880.9 million for the same period in 2007 and was higher by EUR 1,065.6 million.

According to preliminary data in January – October 2008 ***Direct Investment Abroad*** increased by EUR 431.5 million compared to an increase of EUR 146.7 million in January – October 2007.⁴

According to preliminary data ***the Foreign Direct Investment in Bulgaria*** for the reporting period was EUR 4,867.8 million (14.3% of GDP) and was lower by EUR 496.4 million compared to the same period in 2007 (EUR 5,364.2 million, 18.6% of GDP). The direct investment covered 73.9% of the current account deficit, against 116.4% for January – October 2007. The receipts from real estate investments of nonresidents were lower by EUR 329.2 million (21.7%) compared to January – October 2007 and amounted to EUR 1188.3 million (24.4% of the direct investment for the period).

Portfolio investment – assets increased by EUR 134.3 million, compared to a decrease of EUR 80.8 million for the same period in 2007. Banks decreased their portfolio investment – assets by EUR 29.1 million against a decrease of EUR 232.8 million for the period January – October 2007. ***Portfolio investment – liabilities*** decreased by EUR 266.9 million against a decrease of EUR 346.7 million for January – October 2007. The decrease in the reporting period of 2008 was also due to maturing in September 2008 bonds.

Other investment – assets decreased by EUR 300.9 million, compared to a decrease of EUR 282.4 million for the same period in 2007. The item *Currency and Deposits* of banks decreased by EUR 275.9 million compared to a decrease of EUR 742.8 million for January – October 2007. In October 2008 only the item *Currency and Deposits* of banks increased by EUR 213.6 million. In January – October 2008 the item *Other Assets* decreased by EUR 224.6 million compared to an increase of EUR 90.2 million in the same period of the previous year. ***Other investment – liabilities*** increased by EUR 5,714.2 million for the reporting period against an increase of EUR 3,666.7 million for January – October 2007. The increase for the reporting period in 2008 was mainly due to the increase of net liabilities of *Other Sectors* (by EUR 2,248.2 million) and of deposits of nonresidents in local banks (by EUR 2,248.2 million).

The item ***Net errors and omissions*** was negative, amounting to EUR 1,413.7 million compared to a negative item amounting to EUR 1,356.8 million for the same period of 2007.

The ***Overall balance*** was positive, amounting to EUR 2,185.6 million (6.4% of GDP) compared to a positive overall balance of EUR 3,075.4 million (10.6% of GDP) for the same period in 2007.

As of end October 2008 the BNB reserve assets (excluding valuation changes) increased by EUR 2,185.6 million compared to the end of December 2007.

⁴ The difference between the investments for the two periods was mainly due to an investment made abroad in March 2008 by a Bulgarian subsidiary of a big multinational company.

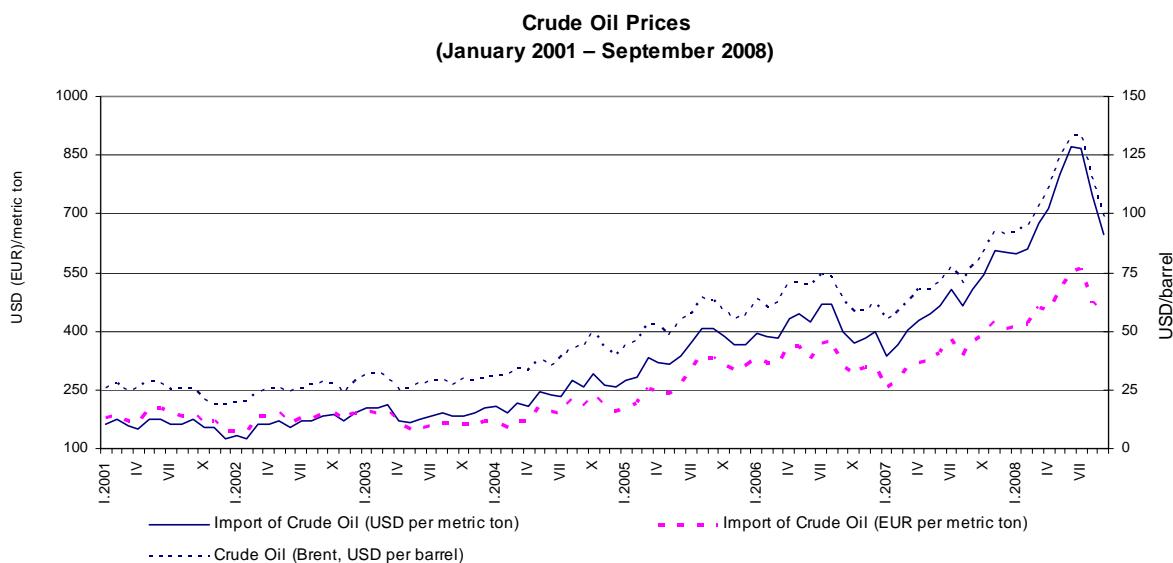
Impact of Crude Oil, Petroleum Products and Natural Gas Prices on the Trade Balance and the Current Account of the Balance of Payments¹

January – September 2008

The crude oil and natural gas amounted to 18% of total imports (CIF), and the petroleum products – respectively to 14.3% of total exports (FOB) of Bulgaria for the period January – September 2008. Therefore, the changes in their prices have an impact on the trade balance and on the balance of payments current account. The factors, which influence the changes in the payments for crude oil and natural gas imports and in the receipts from petroleum products exports for January – September 2008 yoy are: first, the price differentials for the two periods; second, the changes in their exports and imports physical volumes and third, the changes in the exchange rate USD/EUR.

• Price Changes

In September 2008 the average price of the Brent crude oil in the international markets increased by 28.4% (to 99.1 USD/barrel) compared to that for the same month in 2007 (77.1 USD/barrel)². In September 2008 the average price in USD of the country's crude oil imports increased by 28.4% compared to September 2007. For the period January – September 2008 the average price (in USD) of the Brent crude oil in the international markets increased by 65.8% compared to the same period in 2007, and the average price of the country's crude oil imports increased by 65.8%³.



Estimated in EUR in September 2008 the average price of the country's crude oil imports increased by 17.5% compared to September 2007, and in the reporting period of 2008 it increased by

¹ The text is published quarterly. With the introduction of the INTRASTAT system at the beginning of 2007 changes have occurred in the reporting of external trade of Bulgaria with the rest of the EU member states (see methodological notes). The BNB receives from the NSI detailed data on dispatches and arrivals of goods within 60 days after the close of the reporting month. As a result, the part *Impact of Crude Oil, Petroleum Products and Natural Gas Prices on the Trade Balance and the Current Account of the Balance of Payments* of the issue *Balance of Payments of Bulgaria* covers a reporting period shorter by one month than that of the balance of payments.

² Source: *Commodity Price Data, the World Bank*.

³ The changes in the price of the country's crude oil and natural gas imports and of petroleum products exports are calculated on the basis of customs declarations, received by the Customs Agency and on the basis of INTRASTAT declarations.

45.5% yoy⁴. For the period January – September 2008 the average price (in EUR) of the country's natural gas imports increased by 44.7% yoy.⁵

Estimated in EUR for September 2008 the average price of exported petroleum products increased by 11.1% yoy, and for the reporting period it increased by 40.1% yoy⁶.

• Changes in the Physical Volumes

According to data from the Customs Agency for January – September 2008 imports of crude oil to the country increased by 0.4% yoy.⁷ The natural gas imported quantities increased by 8.3% and the imported quantities of petroleum products increased by 1.8% yoy.⁸ In the reporting period the exported quantities of petroleum products increased by 3.2% yoy.

• Effects on the Trade Balance and the Current Account

Excluding the influence of the price factor on the crude oil and the petroleum products, the increase of total exports of the country (FOB) amounted to 16.8% (compared to reported 21.7%), and the increase of imports amounted to 17.7% (compared to reported 24.4%).

In September 2008 the changes in the prices of crude oil, petroleum products and natural gas led to an increase in the trade deficit and in the current account deficit of EUR 48.6 million and EUR 49.9 million respectively. For January – September 2008 the trade deficit increased by EUR 499.8 million and the current account deficit – by EUR 532.6 million.

• Balance of Crude Oil, Petroleum Products and Natural Gas

In September 2008 the balance of crude oil, petroleum products and natural gas imports, and petroleum products exports was negative amounting to EUR 183.1 million. The deficit increased by EUR 23.5 million compared to September 2007 (a deficit of EUR 159.6 million). In the reporting period of 2008 the balance was negative amounting to EUR 1,985.2 million (5.8% of GDP⁹) and the deficit increased by EUR 662.6 million compared to the same period of 2007 (a deficit of EUR 1322.5 million, 4.6% of GDP).

⁴ The differences in the reported changes in prices of crude oil in EUR and USD are due to the exchange rate changes (USD/EUR). Customs exchange rates are used for the respective period.

⁵ Data provided by the NSI.

⁶ Exports of commodity group 2710 (petroleum oil).

⁷ Including crude oil for processing.

⁸ Data on imports of crude oil and natural gas in quantities are not included due to the possibility of revealing information, which constitutes commercial secret.

⁹ GDP for 2007 (preliminary NSI data) - EUR 28,898 million and forecast GDP for 2008 - EUR 34,022 million.

DIRECT INVESTMENT
(January – October 2008)¹

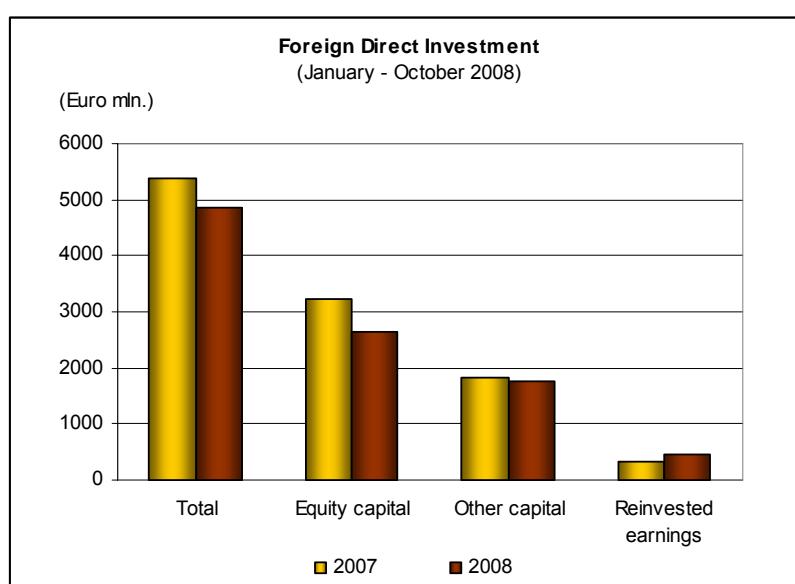
According to preliminary data, the **Foreign direct investment in Bulgaria** for January – October 2008 amounted to EUR 4,867.8 million (14.3% of GDP) compared to EUR 5,364.2 million (18.6% of GDP) attracted in January – October 2007.

	2007					2008					2008 - 2007
	I - III	IV - VI	VII - IX	X	I - X	I - III	IV - VI	VII - IX	X	I - X	
Direct investment, net	1004.9	1635.4	1927.4	642.4	5210.2	656.6	1951.8	1591.5	236.3	4436.3	-773.9
Direct investment abroad *	7.0	-95.6	-51.5	-6.6	-146.7	-402.8	-50.4	30.7	-9.0	-431.5	-284.8
Equity capital	-29.9	-76.1	-37.2	-8.3	-151.5	-390.1	-35.8	-39.9	-9.1	-474.9	-323.4
Other capital	26.3	-19.6	-17.4	1.9	-8.8	-12.8	-14.6	70.7	0.1	43.4	52.3
Reinvested earnings	10.6	0.1	3.2	-0.2	13.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-13.6
Foreign Direct Investment	997.9	1731.0	1986.3	649.0	5364.2	1059.4	2002.2	1560.8	245.4	4867.8	-496.4
Equity capital, incl.	591.5	908.4	1371.2	345.7	3216.8	508.7	1352.5	653.2	141.3	2655.6	-561.1
from privatisation	1.4	0.0	85.1	0.0	86.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-86.5
non-privatisation flows	590.2	908.4	1286.1	345.7	3130.3	508.7	1352.5	653.2	141.3	2655.6	-474.7
Other capital	323.7	735.6	495.5	262.4	1817.2	427.3	518.1	765.9	56.8	1768.1	-49.2
Reinvested earnings	82.6	87.0	119.6	40.9	330.2	123.5	131.7	141.7	47.2	444.1	113.9
Mergers and acquisitions, net	0.0	0.0	-7.4	0.0	-7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4
Receipts	0.0	0.0	1414.9	0.0	1414.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-1414.9
Payments	0.0	0.0	-1422.2	0.0	-1422.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1422.2

Source: direct investment companies, Privatisation Agency, the National Statistical Institute, the Central Depository, banks.

* For assets, a minus sign denotes an increase in holdings, and a positive figure represents a decrease.

The attracted *Equity Capital (acquisition/disposal of shares and equities in cash and contributions in kind by non-residents in/from the capital and reserves of Bulgarian enterprises and receipts/payments from/for real estate deals in the country)* for January – October 2008 amounted to EUR 2,655.6 million, which was 54.6% of the foreign direct investment. It decreased by EUR 561.1 million compared to that attracted in the same period of 2007 (EUR 3216.8 million). *The receipts from real estate investments of non-residents* amounted to EUR 1,188.3 million compared to EUR 1,517.5 million for January – October 2007.

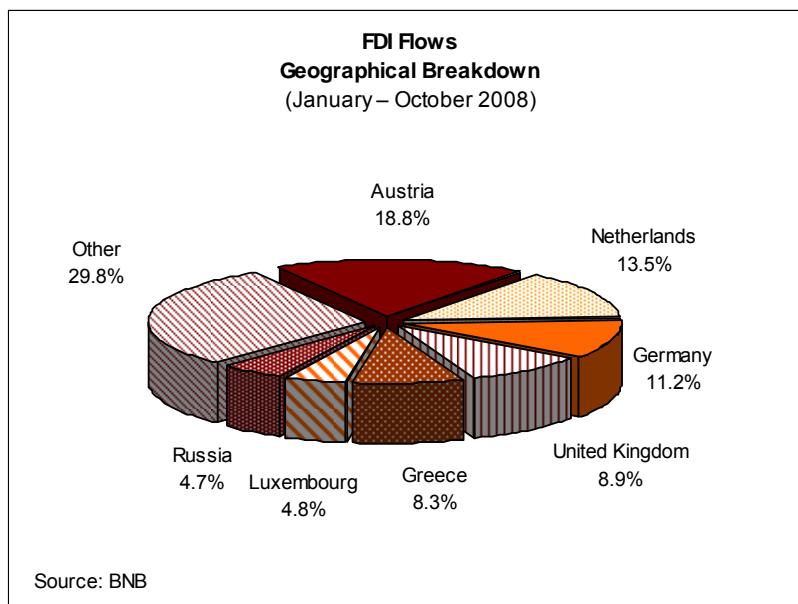


The attracted *equity capital on privatisation deals* with non-residents (that have acquired over 10% of the equity in a Bulgarian enterprise) reported in January – October 2008 did not increase, compared to an increase of EUR 86.5 million in January – October 2007. The attracted *equity capital on non-privatisation deals* totalled EUR 2,655.6 million in the reporting period, compared to EUR 3,130.3 million for the same period in 2007.

The *other capital, net (the change in the net liabilities of the direct investment enterprise to the direct investor on financial loans, suppliers' credits and debt securities)* was positive, amounting to EUR 1768.1 million in January – October 2008, compared to a *net other capital* amounting to EUR 1,817.2 million in the same period of 2007. It decreased by EUR 49.2 million compared to that attracted in the same period of 2007.

According to preliminary data, the *Reinvested Earnings*² (*the share of non-residents in the undistributed earnings/ loss of the enterprise*) in January – October 2008 are estimated at EUR 444.1 million compared to EUR 330.2 million in the same period of the previous year. They increased by EUR 113.9 million in comparison with the same period in the previous year.

By country, the largest investments in Bulgaria for the reporting period were those of Austria (18.8% of the total foreign direct investment), the Netherlands (13.5%) and Germany (11.2%).



According to preliminary data in January – October 2008 **Direct investment abroad** increased by EUR 431.5 million compared to an increase of EUR 146.7 million in January – October 2007. The equity capital invested abroad in 2008 amounted to EUR 474.9 million, compared to EUR 151.5 million in January – October 2007.³

¹ Preliminary data for 2007 and 2008. The data for April – September 2008 are revised. When comparing the data yoy it should be taken into account that the initial data on the January – October 2007 FDI, published in a BNB press release as of December 12, 2007 (www.bnbg.bg, section Statistics/Balance of Payments/Press Releases), was subsequently revised. The 2007 and 2008 data are subject to revisions with the quarterly reports to the BNB from foreign direct investment enterprises and with the annual NSI data, and for 2008 also with the quarterly NSI data.

GDP for 2007 (preliminary NSI data) - EUR 28,898 million and forecast GDP for 2008 - EUR 34,022 million.

² The 2007 and 2008 data include only banks' data on reinvested earnings.

³ The difference between the investments for the two periods was mainly due to an investment made abroad in March 2008 by a Bulgarian subsidiary of a big multinational company.

TABLES

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF BULGARIA

ANALYTICAL PRESENTATION *

	Monthly figures			Cumulated figures			January - October		
	October 07 (Euro mln.)	October 08 (Euro mln.)	Change	2007	2008 (Euro mln.)	Change	2007 (% of GDP)	2008 (% of GDP)	
Current and Capital account (A + B)	-686.8	-1058.8	-372.0	-4448.7	-6347.2	-1898.5	-15.4%	-18.7%	
A. Current Account ¹	-710.0	-1064.2	-354.2	-4610.3	-6588.8	-1978.5	-16.0%	-19.4%	
Goods: credit	1304.9	1276.9	-28.0	11134.5	13241.3	2106.8	38.5%	38.9%	
Goods: debit	-2014.7	-2225.7	-211.0	-16823.3	-20641.7	-3818.3	-58.2%	-60.7%	
<i>Balance on Goods ²</i>	<i>-709.8</i>	<i>-948.7</i>	<i>-238.9</i>	<i>-5688.8</i>	<i>-7400.4</i>	<i>-1711.5</i>	<i>-19.7%</i>	<i>-21.8%</i>	
Services: credit	276.2	324.9	48.6	4089.6	4668.8	579.1	14.2%	13.7%	
Transportation ³	96.9	111.2	14.3	1207.6	1373.2	165.5	4.2%	4.0%	
Travel ⁴	103.6	107.2	3.7	2096.8	2346.9	250.1	7.3%	6.9%	
Other services	75.7	106.4	30.6	785.2	948.7	163.5	2.7%	2.8%	
Services: debit	-311.9	-369.4	-57.5	-2895.0	-3491.6	-596.6	-10.0%	-10.3%	
Transportation ³	-107.5	-128.8	-21.3	-972.1	-1234.1	-262.0	-3.4%	-3.6%	
Travel ⁴	-117.6	-142.9	-25.3	-1111.1	-1379.2	-268.1	-3.8%	-4.1%	
Other services	-86.8	-97.7	-10.9	-811.8	-878.3	-66.5	-2.8%	-2.6%	
<i>Balance on Services</i>	<i>-35.7</i>	<i>-44.5</i>	<i>-8.9</i>	<i>1194.6</i>	<i>1177.2</i>	<i>-17.5</i>	<i>4.1%</i>	<i>3.5%</i>	
Transportation, net	-10.6	-17.6	-7.0	235.5	139.0	-96.5	0.8%	0.4%	
Travel, net	-14.0	-35.6	-21.7	985.7	967.7	-18.1	3.4%	2.8%	
Other services, net	-11.1	8.7	19.8	-26.6	70.5	97.1	-0.1%	0.2%	
<i>Balance on goods and services</i>	<i>-745.5</i>	<i>-993.3</i>	<i>-247.8</i>	<i>-4494.2</i>	<i>-6223.2</i>	<i>-1729.0</i>	<i>-15.6%</i>	<i>-18.3%</i>	
Income: credit	140.1	164.2	24.0	1262.6	1451.1	188.5	4.4%	4.3%	
Compensation of employees: credit ⁵	113.7	138.2	24.5	1017.2	1185.5	168.3	3.5%	3.5%	
Other investment income: credit	26.4	25.9	-0.5	245.4	265.5	20.1	0.8%	0.8%	
Income: debit	-123.8	-202.4	-78.7	-1624.2	-2325.3	-701.2	-5.6%	-6.8%	
Compensation of employees: debit	-3.1	-2.0	1.1	-34.7	-21.2	13.5	-0.1%	-0.1%	
Other investment income: debit	-120.7	-200.4	-79.8	-1589.5	-2304.2	-714.7	-5.5%	-6.8%	
<i>Balance on Income</i>	<i>16.4</i>	<i>-38.3</i>	<i>-54.6</i>	<i>-361.6</i>	<i>-874.3</i>	<i>-512.7</i>	<i>-1.3%</i>	<i>-2.6%</i>	
<i>Balance on goods, services and income</i>	<i>-729.1</i>	<i>-1031.5</i>	<i>-302.4</i>	<i>-4855.8</i>	<i>-7097.4</i>	<i>-2241.7</i>	<i>-16.8%</i>	<i>-20.9%</i>	
Current transfers, net	19.1	-32.7	-51.7	245.5	508.7	263.2	0.8%	1.5%	
Current transfers: credit	88.2	69.1	-19.1	704.2	1129.2	424.9	2.4%	3.3%	
Current transfers: debit	-69.1	-101.7	-32.6	-458.7	-620.5	-161.8	-1.6%	-1.8%	
B. Capital Account ^{1,6}	23.2	5.4	-17.8	161.5	241.6	80.1	0.6%	0.7%	
Capital transfers, net	23.2	5.4	-17.8	161.5	241.6	80.1	0.6%	0.7%	
<i>Total, Groups A Plus B</i>	<i>-686.8</i>	<i>-1058.8</i>	<i>-372.0</i>	<i>-4448.7</i>	<i>-6347.2</i>	<i>-1898.5</i>	<i>-15.4%</i>	<i>-18.7%</i>	
C. Financial Account ^{1,6}	965.9	471.5	-494.4	8880.9	9946.5	1065.6	30.7%	29.2%	
<i>Direct investment, net ⁷</i>	<i>642.4</i>	<i>236.3</i>	<i>-406.1</i>	<i>4436.3</i>	<i>4773.9</i>	<i>5210.2</i>	<i>18.0%</i>	<i>13.0%</i>	

	Monthly figures			Cumulated figures January - October		
	October 07	October 08 (Euro mln.)	Change	2007	2008 (Euro mln.)	Change (% of GDP)
Direct investment abroad	-6.6	-9.0	-2.4	-146.7	-431.5	-284.8 -0.5%
Direct investment in reporting economy ⁶	649.0	245.4	-403.6	5364.2	4867.8	-496.4 18.6%
Mergers and acquisitions ⁹	0.0	0.0	0.0	-7.4	0.0	7.4 0.0%
Portfolio investment assets ⁹	-16.9	136.6	153.5	80.8	-134.3	-215.2 0.3%
Portfolio investment liabilities	-58.3	-24.3	34.0	-346.7	-266.9	79.8 -1.2%
Financial derivatives, net	31.2	-18.4	-49.6	-12.4	-103.7	-91.2 0.0%
Other investment assets ^{10, 11}	-80.4	-231.2	-150.7	282.4	300.9	18.6 1.0%
Other investment liabilities ^{12, 13}	447.9	372.5	-75.4	3666.7	5714.2	2047.5 12.7%
Total, Groups A Through C	279.1	-587.3	-866.4	4432.2	3599.3	-822.9 15.3%
D. Net Errors and Omissions	-190.1	52.9	243.0	-1356.8	-1413.7	-56.9 -4.7%
OVERALL BALANCE	89.0	-534.4	-623.4	3075.4	2185.6	-889.8 10.6%
E. Reserves and Related Items						6.4%
BNB Forex Reserves ¹⁴	-89.0	534.4	623.4	-3075.4	-2185.6	889.8 -10.6%
Use of Fund credit, net	-89.0	534.4	623.4	-2820.1	-2185.6	634.5 -6.4%
Exceptional financing, net	0.0	0.0	0.0	-255.3	0.0	255.3 0.0%
						0.0 0.0%

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BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF BULGARIA

ANALYTIC PRESENTATION^a
(monthly data)

ANALYTIC PRESENTATION ^a (min EUR)	Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec. 07	Jan. 08	Feb. 08	Mar. 08	Apr. 08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	Cumulated figures January - October 2008		Twelve-month cumulated figures ending 30.X.2008		
														2007	2008	30.X.2007	30.X.2008	
Current account¹	-710.0	-752.4	-940.7	-769.7	-635.6	-507.6	-756.5	-700.6	-808.9	-470.7	-310.7	-564.2	-1064.2	-4610.3	-6588.8	-6009.8	-8281.9	
Goods, credit (FOB) Goods, debit (FOB)	1304.9	1267.9	1109.5	1114.6	1212.1	1322.0	1372.2	1320.7	1395.1	1516.3	1308.3	1403.1	1276.9	11134.5	13241.3	13159.9	15618.6	
Trade Balance ²	-2014.7	-2068.6	-1922.7	-1728.3	-1812.6	-1905.3	-2142.4	-2133.9	-2323.9	-1946.1	-2102.3	-2225.7	-16823.3	-20641.7	-20192.2	-24633.0	-24633.0	
Services, credit	276.2	251.4	284.1	262.1	262.6	279.7	297.6	469.9	636.7	788.5	778.3	568.5	324.9	4089.6	4668.8	4611.8	5204.3	
Transportation ³	96.9	87.6	89.1	90.2	93.9	104.9	103.9	130.3	175.7	208.5	199.6	154.8	111.2	1207.6	1373.2	1377.4	1549.9	
Travel ⁴	103.6	78.1	112.1	94.7	87.1	104.5	107.2	208.1	363.8	488.2	490.0	296.1	107.2	2096.8	2346.9	2272.2	2537.1	
Other services	75.7	82.8	77.2	81.7	86.5	131.5	97.1	91.8	88.6	117.6	106.4	785.2	948.7	962.3	1117.3	-1117.3		
Services, debit	-311.9	-288.7	-326.9	-358.3	-292.3	-297.9	-342.3	-372.4	-342.3	-376.0	-389.5	-368.4	-369.4	-2895.0	-3491.5	-3422.9	-4106.7	
Transportation ³	-107.5	-110.6	-103.6	-118.8	-104.1	-106.6	-117.5	-126.6	-135.3	-133.3	-135.8	-127.5	-128.8	-972.1	-1234.1	-1141.0	-1448.3	
Travel ⁴	-117.6	-112.0	-109.0	-138.0	-115.3	-117.5	-126.4	-139.4	-142.0	-132.4	-165.1	-160.1	-142.9	-1111.1	-1379.2	-1285.2	-1600.2	
Other services	-86.8	-65.7	-114.2	-101.5	-72.9	-73.8	-81.2	-76.2	-95.3	-110.3	-88.7	-80.8	-97.7	-81.8	-878.3	-1006.7	-1058.2	-1058.2
Services, net	-35.7	-36.8	-42.8	-96.2	-29.7	-18.2	-27.5	127.7	264.3	412.4	388.8	200.1	-44.5	1194.6	1177.2	1178.9	1097.6	
Goods and services, net	-745.5	-837.5	-856.0	-709.9	-630.2	-601.5	-797.7	-685.5	-661.8	-395.1	-249.0	-499.2	-993.3	-4494.2	-6223.2	-5853.4	-7916.7	
Income, credit	140.1	137.6	131.5	155.0	138.4	136.3	127.2	128.4	137.6	138.1	156.5	169.4	164.2	1282.6	1451.1	1485.7	1720.2	
Compensation of employees ⁵	113.7	106.1	106.1	119.1	118.3	113.1	105.3	106.5	111.1	106.6	128.3	139.1	138.2	1017.2	1185.5	1195.6	1397.7	
Investment income	26.4	31.5	25.4	35.9	20.1	23.3	21.9	21.9	26.5	31.5	28.2	30.3	25.9	245.4	265.5	290.2	322.5	
Direct investment	0.5	1.3	1.7	0.3	2.4	0.9	0.8	0.1	1.4	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.7	7.3	7.9	7.2	11.0	
Portfolio investment	12.9	11.6	12.0	10.6	7.9	9.5	9.3	11.2	15.1	19.7	16.6	18.4	17.4	117.2	134.8	140.8	158.3	
Other investment	12.9	18.6	11.7	25.0	9.7	13.9	11.8	10.6	10.0	11.4	11.2	7.9	135.6	122.8	156.6	153.1		
Income, debit	-123.8	-105.5	-253.3	-199.7	-129.7	-207.7	-301.8	-192.1	-367.4	-233.0	-246.8	-244.7	-202.4	-1624.2	-2325.3	-1996.9	-2684.1	
Compensation of employees	-3.1	-3.3	-1.5	-1.8	-2.6	-2.6	-3.8	-2.0	-1.6	-1.9	-1.6	-1.6	-2.0	-34.7	-21.2	-39.6	-26.0	
Investment income	-120.7	-103.9	-250.1	-197.9	-127.1	-205.1	-298.0	-190.1	-365.8	-31.1	-243.1	-200.4	-200.4	-1589.5	-2304.2	-1957.3	-2658.2	
Direct investment	-83.4	-71.5	-166.9	-83.9	-94.1	-133.5	-238.6	-150.3	-288.0	-161.1	-198.3	-176.4	-161.4	-1113.3	-1695.8	-1406.1	-1934.1	
Portfolio investment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-69.5	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-91.1	-125.7	-125.8	-91.2	
Other investment	-37.2	-32.4	-83.1	-44.5	-32.9	-71.4	-59.3	-39.6	-67.7	-49.2	-47.2	-66.5	-39.0	-350.5	-517.3	-425.3	-632.8	
Income, net	16.4	32.2	-121.9	-44.7	8.7	-71.4	-174.6	-63.7	-229.8	-94.9	-90.3	-75.3	-38.3	-361.6	-874.3	-511.1	-964.0	
Goods, services and income, net	-729.1	-805.4	-977.9	-754.5	-621.5	-673.0	-972.4	-749.2	-891.6	-490.0	-339.3	-574.5	-1031.5	-4855.8	-7097.4	-6364.5	-8880.7	
Current transfers, net	19.1	52.9	37.2	-15.2	-14.1	165.4	215.8	48.5	82.7	19.3	28.6	10.3	-32.7	245.5	508.7	354.7	598.8	
Current transfers, credit	88.2	115.3	89.1	53.9	62.5	228.0	269.4	94.7	132.3	77.8	78.0	63.6	69.1	704.2	1129.2	844.9	1333.5	
Current transfers, debit	-69.1	-62.3	-51.9	-69.1	-76.5	-62.6	-53.6	-46.1	-49.6	-58.5	-49.4	-53.3	-101.7	-458.7	-620.5	-490.2	-734.7	
Capital account^{1,6}	23.2	118.2	76.6	0.6	11.6	173.6	12.6	3.3	0.4	19.2	7.2	7.7	5.4	161.5	241.6	213.8	436.3	
Capital transfers, net	23.2	118.2	76.6	0.6	11.6	173.6	12.6	3.3	0.4	19.2	7.2	7.7	5.4	161.5	241.6	213.8	436.3	
Current and Capital account	-686.8	-634.2	-864.2	-769.2	-624.0	-334.0	-743.9	-697.3	-808.5	-451.5	-303.5	-556.4	-1058.8	-4448.7	-6347.2	-5796.0	-7845.6	
Financial account^{1,6}	965.9	1195.2	551.2	530.3	911.4	867.8	1390.0	716.5	1642.8	1096.1	1177.6	1142.5	471.5	8880.9	9946.5	10204.6	11692.9	
Direct investment	642.4	584.0	515.1	279.8	303.2	73.6	672.5	546.8	732.5	618.7	589.2	383.6	236.3	5210.2	4436.3	6271.5	5535.4	
Afford	-6.6	-15.0	-38.6	-21.8	-9.6	-37.1	-5.5	-12.6	-13.0	-13.0	-57.3	-13.6	-9.0	-146.7	-431.3	-215.2	-485.1	
Equity capital	-8.3	-12.7	-38.1	-19.9	-8.0	-36.2	-14.8	-10.1	-10.9	-17.1	-10.4	-12.5	-9.1	-151.5	-474.9	-189.9	-525.7	
Reinvested earnings	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.6	0.0	13.4	-0.4	
Other capital	1.9	-2.1	-0.3	-1.6	-9.2	-9.9	-2.5	-2.1	4.1	67.7	-1.1	0.1	-8.8	43.4	-38.8	41.0	-41.0	
In the reporting economy ⁷	649.0	599.1	553.8	301.6	312.8	445.0	697.3	559.4	745.5	631.7	531.9	397.2	245.4	5364.2	4867.8	6494.1	6020.6	
Equity capital	345.7	335.8	108.7	172.9	199.3	136.4	218.5	240.4	893.5	272.0	135.8	245.4	141.3	3216.8	2655.6	3960.8	3100.1	
Reinvested earnings	40.9	40.9	41.2	41.2	43.9	43.9	43.9	43.9	43.9	47.2	47.2	47.2	47.2	330.2	444.1	495.1	525.9	
Other capital ⁸	262.4	222.4	404.1	87.6	72.3	267.4	434.9	275.2	-192.0	312.5	348.9	104.5	56.8	1817.2	1768.1	2038.3	2394.5	
Mergers and acquisitions, net ⁹	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-7.4	0.0	-7.4	0.0	
Portfolio investment, assets ¹⁰	-16.9	-41.5	-106.5	98.8	-40.1	-45.0	-25.7	28.5	-166.3	-43.8	-27.2	-50.0	136.6	80.8	-134.3	-24.0	-282.3	
Equity securities	-10.0	-13.6	-4.1	-3.6	-12.4	-0.2	-3.6	-2.9	-1.7	7.0	-2.1	1.6	8.2	-79.8	-9.6	-151.4	-127.4	
Debt securities	-6.9	-27.9	-102.3	-24.0	-27.9	-44.3	-22.1	-31.3	-164.7	-50.8	-25.2	-51.6	128.4	160.6	-124.8	-224.8	-255.0	
Portfolio investment, liabilities	-58.3	68.3	-110.7	-2.4	18.3	-18.1	-12.3	-20.7	-71.3	-2.5	-116.5	-12.3	-10.4	-16.5	-346.7	-266.9	-309.3	-153.3
Equity securities	-2.7	-28.2	-8.7	-8.8	-8.8	-10.5	-13.0	-1.4	-10.5	-7.4	-7.4	-7.4	-7.4	-7.4	-7.4	-7.4	-3.7	

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF BULGARIA
ANALYTIC PRESENTATION*
 (monthly data)

ANALYTIC PRESENTATION*	Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec. 07	Jan. 08	Feb. 08	Mar. 08	Apr. 08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	Cumulated figures January - October 2008	Cumulated figures January - October 2007	Twelve-month cumulated figures ending	
														2008	2007	30.X.2007	30.X.2008
Debt securities	-55.6	96.5	-86.7	6.3	27.1	-7.7	-45.5	-13.8	10.3	-66.2	4.9	-108.8	-7.8	465.2	-382.2	268.4	-244.8
Financial derivatives, net	31.2	-18.4	-30.3	0.4	-10.0	-22.1	-13.1	-22.5	-15.6	2.0	-6.2	1.8	-18.4	-103.7	-46.6	-46.6	-152.4
Other investment, assets	-80.4	-344.6	-356.1	736.3	212.0	-134.0	148.6	-46.8	-733.5	361.7	-338.5	326.3	-231.2	282.4	300.9	-57.8	-39.8
Trade credits ¹¹	9.3	9.0	-13.7	9.1	-42.0	-41.7	-32.2	-32.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-152.4	-222.2	-130.0	-204.1
Loans	-36.9	-51.5	-30.0	-30.7	-24.8	-44.1	-9.5	-9.6	-53.9	-6.7	-3.3	-1.3	-10.3	-115.9	-196.2	-160.5	-261.4
Currency and deposits ¹²	-50.2	-340.6	-300.7	813.7	263.9	-49.2	189.7	-8.0	-641.9	137.1	-331.9	335.1	-213.6	640.8	494.8	318.3	-146.6
Other assets	-2.6	0.6	-13.0	-2.8	14.9	1.0	0.7	3.0	-5.5	231.2	-3.3	-7.5	-7.3	-90.2	224.6	-85.5	212.2
Other investment, liabilities	447.9	947.4	639.7	-562.6	427.9	1013.5	666.0	222.9	1805.0	228.9	962.8	597.2	372.5	3666.7	5714.2	4286.3	7301.3
Trade credits ¹³	36.4	36.1	36.1	-7.4	-7.4	-6.9	33.4	33.4	33.4	37.6	39.4	41.0	0.0	185.6	196.5	221.0	268.7
Loans	286.4	482.2	-30.9	245.5	113.5	504.6	317.0	248.1	639.1	306.6	309.3	416.9	159.6	2486.8	3260.2	2957.4	3711.5
Currency and deposits	136.3	404.5	630.9	-787.3	296.4	305.8	520.1	-78.9	1149.1	-110.4	618.7	107.2	227.6	993.1	2248.2	1120.7	3283.6
Other liabilities	-11.1	24.6	3.6	-33.4	25.4	210.0	-204.4	20.3	-16.6	-4.9	-4.6	32.2	-14.7	1.2	9.3	-12.9	37.4
Current, Capital and Financial Account	279.1	561.0	-313.0	-238.9	287.4	533.8	646.1	19.2	834.2	644.6	874.1	586.0	-587.3	4432.2	3699.3	4408.6	3847.3
Net errors and omissions	-190.1	-343.5	183.8	-92.0	-330.6	-16.8	220.8	-154.7	-436.7	-235.7	-135.1	-285.6	52.9	-1356.8	-1413.7	-1046.6	-1573.4
OVERALL BALANCE	89.0	217.5	-129.2	-330.9	-43.2	517.0	886.9	-135.5	397.6	408.9	739.0	300.4	-534.4	3075.4	2185.6	3362.0	2273.9
Reserves and related items	-89.0	-217.5	129.2	330.9	43.2	-517.0	-866.9	135.5	-397.6	-408.9	-739.0	-300.4	534.4	-3075.4	-2185.6	-3362.0	-2273.9
Official reserve assets ¹⁴	-89.0	-217.5	129.2	330.9	43.2	-517.0	-866.9	135.5	-397.6	-408.9	-739.0	-300.4	534.4	-3075.4	-2185.6	-3362.0	-2273.9
Use of fund credits and loans, net	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-282.1	-2185.6	-3086.7	-2273.9
Exceptional financing transactions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-255.3	0.0	-275.3	0.0

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BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF BULGARIA

ANALYTIC PRESENTATION*

(Quarterly data)

ANALYTIC PRESENTATION*	2006 Q3	2006 Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	2007 Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	2008 Q2	Q3	Q3 Change 2007/2006	Q3 Total	Change 2008/2007		
														Q1	Q2	Q3
Current account¹	-506.6	-1986.2	-4501.8	-1577.7	-1257.6	-1064.9	-2403.2	-6303.4	-1912.9	-2266.1	-1345.6	-558.3	-417.0	-1801.7	-335.2	-1008.5
Goods, credit (FOB)	3197.7	3087.9	12011.9	2900.0	3342.6	3587.0	3682.2	13511.9	3648.7	4088.0	4227.7	389.3	594.3	1500.0	748.7	745.4
Goods, debit (FOB)	-4532.9	-5022.0	-17574.1	-4465.1	-4959.9	-5383.7	-6060.0	-20814.7	-5446.3	-6597.5	-6372.2	-790.8	-984.1	-3240.5	-981.1	-1637.6
Trade Balance²	-1335.1	-1934.1	-5523.3	-1565.2	-1617.2	-1796.6	-2323.8	-7302.8	-1797.6	-2509.5	-2144.6	-401.5	-389.7	-1740.5	-232.4	-892.2
Services, credit	1750.4	781.5	4186.4	719.4	1201.0	1893.0	811.7	4625.1	804.4	1404.2	2135.2	142.6	30.2	438.7	85.1	203.2
Transportation³	257.6	476.8	1280.3	253.0	344.1	513.5	273.7	1384.4	289.0	410.0	562.9	36.7	16.1	124.1	36.0	65.9
Travel⁴	1050.2	264.4	2033.4	253.9	598.0	1141.3	2287.0	286.3	679.1	1274.3	91.1	29.4	123.6	32.4	81.1	49.4
Other services	2223.5	259.5	882.7	212.4	258.9	238.2	244.3	953.8	229.1	315.2	91.1	14.7	-15.2	16.7	56.3	59.9
Services, debit	-592.9	-827.2	-3295.9	-779.4	-830.2	-973.5	-927.0	-3510.1	-948.5	-1039.8	-1134.0	-44.3	-99.8	-250.6	-169.1	-209.5
Transportation³	-267.9	-1042.0	-254.9	-279.1	-330.6	-321.7	-1186.3	-329.5	-379.2	-396.6	-19.0	-144.3	-53.8	-74.6	-100.1	-160.5
Travel⁴	-357.2	-1171.4	-287.4	-321.3	-384.6	-338.5	-1332.1	-407.9	-457.7	-527.3	-51.1	-83.1	-160.7	-86.6	-73.1	-86.6
Other services	-280.3	-271.8	-1046.2	-236.8	-229.9	-266.7	-981.7	-248.2	-252.7	-279.7	2.0	5.1	-54.5	-11.4	-22.8	-21.3
Services, net	821.3	-45.7	926.9	-60.0	370.8	919.5	-15.3	1115.1	-144.0	364.5	1001.3	98.2	-69.5	188.2	-84.0	-6.3
Goods and services, net	-573.8	-1979.8	-4635.4	-1625.2	-1246.5	-877.1	-2439.0	-6187.7	-1941.6	-2145.0	-1143.3	-303.2	-459.3	-1552.4	-316.4	-898.6
Income, credit	336.6	349.2	1278.5	359.0	358.6	404.9	409.2	1531.7	429.7	393.2	464.0	68.3	60.0	253.2	70.7	34.6
Compensation of employees⁵	272.3	283.3	1023.4	286.4	290.8	326.2	325.9	1229.4	350.5	322.8	374.0	54.0	42.6	206.0	64.0	32.0
Investment income	64.4	65.9	285.1	72.5	67.8	97.4	1.6	147.3	79.2	70.4	90.0	14.3	17.4	47.2	6.7	11.3
Direct investment	0.5	0.8	3.2	-9.7	3.4	-1.6	3.6	-4.3	3.6	2.3	1.3	-2.1	2.8	-7.5	13.4	2.9
Portfolio investment	26.3	33.8	1282.1	35.3	34.3	34.6	36.5	140.7	27.0	35.7	54.8	8.3	2.7	12.5	-8.3	20.2
Other investment	37.6	31.3	123.6	47.0	30.1	45.6	43.2	165.9	48.6	32.4	33.9	8.1	12.0	42.3	1.7	23.3
Income, debit	-493.7	-522.0	-1814.8	-381.5	-452.5	-666.5	-482.6	-1983.0	-537.1	-861.3	-724.5	-172.8	-39.5	-172.8	-155.6	-58.8
Compensation of employees	-9.5	-9.1	-22.4	-5.0	-18.4	-8.2	-7.9	-39.5	-7.0	-7.4	-4.7	1.4	-1.2	-2.0	11.0	3.5
Investment income	-484.1	-512.9	-1732.4	-376.5	-434.0	-685.3	-474.7	-1943.5	-530.1	-853.9	-719.7	-174.1	-38.2	-151.1	-183.6	-61.5
Direct investment	-376.4	-413.4	-1344.2	-189.0	-325.0	-615.0	-321.8	-1351.6	-311.6	-686.9	-636.9	-138.6	-91.6	-136.6	-122.6	-20.8
Portfolio investment	-34.6	-0.1	-132.1	-93.7	-0.1	-31.9	-0.1	-125.8	-69.7	-0.4	-21.0	2.7	0.0	6.3	23.9	-0.2
Other investment	-73.2	-99.4	-316.1	-93.8	-108.1	-111.3	-152.7	-466.0	-148.8	-166.6	-162.9	-38.2	-53.3	-149.9	-55.0	-51.6
Income, net	-157.0	-172.9	-536.3	-22.5	-93.9	-261.5	-73.4	-451.3	-107.4	-468.1	-260.4	-104.5	99.5	85.0	-84.9	-374.2
Goods, services and income, net	-730.9	-2152.6	-5171.7	-1647.7	-1340.4	-1138.6	-2512.4	-6639.0	-2049.0	-2613.1	-1403.7	-407.7	-359.8	-1467.3	-401.3	-1272.8
Current transfers, net	224.3	166.4	670.0	70.0	82.7	73.0	109.2	335.6	136.1	347.0	58.2	-150.6	-57.2	-34.3	66.1	264.3
Current transfers, credit	274.2	214.2	845.8	207.9	198.1	210.0	292.6	908.6	344.3	496.3	219.4	-64.2	78.4	62.8	136.5	298.2
Current transfers, debit	-49.9	-47.8	-175.8	-137.9	-115.4	-136.3	-183.4	-573.0	-208.2	-149.3	-161.2	-86.4	-135.6	-397.1	-70.3	-23.0
Capital account^{1,6}	49.9	61.5	180.0	28.7	37.3	72.4	218.0	356.3	185.7	16.3	34.1	22.5	22.5	156.4	176.3	157.1
Capital transfers, net	49.9	61.5	180.0	28.7	37.3	72.4	218.0	356.3	185.7	16.3	34.1	22.5	22.5	156.4	176.3	157.1
Current and Capital account	-456.7	-1924.7	-4321.8	-1549.1	-1220.4	-892.5	-2185.2	-5947.2	-1727.2	-2249.8	-1311.4	-535.8	-260.5	-1625.4	-178.1	-1029.4
Financial account^{1,6}	1443.2	1958.3	6922.6	1848.7	2716.0	3350.3	2712.4	10627.4	2309.5	3749.2	3416.2	1907.1	754.0	3664.7	460.9	1033.2
Direct investment	1273.6	1732.4	5868.8	1004.9	1635.4	1927.4	1741.5	6309.3	656.6	1951.8	1591.5	653.8	9.1	440.5	348.3	316.4
Abroad	-32.5	-70.7	-136.8	7.0	-29.9	-57.5	-60.2	-202.3	-402.8	-50.4	30.7	-19.0	10.5	-63.5	-10.6	-82.2
Equity capital	-16.3	-40.3	-76.0	-1.1	-13.3	-37.2	-13.3	-59.1	-390.1	-35.8	-30.7	-39.9	-3.5	-0.0	-14.6	-3.2
Reinvested earnings	-0.3	-0.3	-1.3	10.6	0.1	3.2	-0.6	13.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	-0.2	-10.6	-0.1
Other capital	-15.8	-30.1	-59.6	26.3	-19.6	-17.4	-0.6	-11.3	-12.8	-14.6	70.7	-16	29.5	48.3	-39.0	5.0
In the reporting economy⁷	1306.1	1803.2	6005.6	997.9	1731.0	1986.3	1801.7	6516.9	1059.4	2002.2	1560.8	680.2	-1.4	511.3	61.5	271.2
Equity capital	753.3	1188.2	3258.6	591.5	908.4	1371.2	790.1	3661.2	508.7	1352.5	653.2	671.9	-386.1	402.6	-62.9	444.1
Reinvested earnings	196.3	235.4	831.9	87.0	119.6	122.7	412.0	123.5	427.3	141.7	-76.7	-112.7	-112.7	-419.9	40.9	22.1
Other capital⁸	396.5	379.5	1915.1	323.7	755.6	495.5	888.9	2443.7	518.1	765.9	138.9	509.4	528.6	103.5	217.5	270.4
Mergers and acquisitions, net⁹	0.0	0.0	0.0	-7.4	0.0	-7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4
Portfolio investment, assets¹⁰	21.5	-245.3	-264.8	-32.8	8.4	122.1	-164.8	-67.1	13.7	-163.6	-121.0	100.6	80.5	197.7	46.5	-243.2
Equity securities	-9.8	-77.3	-104.3	-16.5	-17.6	-35.7	-27.7	-97.6	-16.1	-8.1	6.5	-25.9	49.6	6.8	0.4	9.5
Debt securities	31.3	-168.1	-160.5	-16.3	26.1	-157.9	-137.1	30.4	29.8	-155.5	-127.6	126.5	30.9	190.9	46.2	-181.5
Portfolio investment, liabilities	121.1	336.5	581.6	-145.9	-18.0	-124.9	-100.7	-389.1	-22.2	-50.1	-190.3	-246.0	-437.2	-143.4	-32.1	-65.4
Equity securities	3.0	66.3	120.5	21.8	62.1	-55.0	-79.8	-27.9	-12.1	-20.2	-59.0	-40.9	-78.9	-121.3	-82.9	-82.9
Debt securities	118.1	270.1	461.1	-196.5	-45.7	-186.9	-468.9	25.7	-48.9	-48.9	-170.1	-305.0	-315.9	-93.7	-9.2	16.8

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF BULGARIA

ANALYTIC PRESENTATION*

ANALYTIC PRESENTATION*	2006		2007		2008		Change 2007/2008		Change 2008/2007		
	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3
Financial derivatives, net	-17.6	-55.5	-112.7	-18.5	-24.5	-0.6	-17.5	-61.2	-51.2	-2.4	17.0
Other investment, assets	-998.4	-515.8	-2346.0	456.2	68.5	-161.9	-781.2	-418.4	814.3	-631.7	836.5
Trade credits ¹¹	-42.8	33.4	-126.6	-90.2	-79.1	7.6	-27.4	-134.2	-125.8	-96.5	50.4
Loans	-7.2	-71.1	-128.6	-27.3	-12.6	-39.1	-102.1	-181.0	-101.6	-73.0	-31.9
Currency and deposits ¹²	-948.0	-483.3	-2097.7	631.3	148.5	-88.8	-691.6	-0.6	1028.4	-460.3	859.2
Other assets	-0.4	5.3	6.9	-57.6	11.8	-41.7	-15.0	-102.6	13.2	-1.8	220.5
Other investment, liabilities	1042.9	706.0	3235.7	584.5	1046.1	1588.1	2035.1	5253.8	858.8	2693.9	1788.9
Trade credits ¹³	37.9	53.5	322.8	-45.1	238.3	-44.0	108.6	257.9	-21.7	100.1	118.0
Loans	802.0	534.1	3575.1	351.0	745.3	1104.1	737.7	2988.1	863.6	1204.2	1032.8
Currency and deposits	198.4	162.3	514.1	275.0	30.8	55.1	1171.7	2028.5	-185.1	1590.3	615.4
Other liabilities	4.6	-44.0	23.8	3.7	-31.7	-23.1	17.0	29.4	-202.0	-200.7	22.7
Current, Capital and Financial Account	986.5	33.6	2640.9	299.6	1495.7	2557.8	527.1	4680.2	582.4	1499.5	2104.7
Net errors and omissions	-390.5	466.3	-855.3	-248.3	-651.4	-267.0	-349.9	-1516.5	-439.5	-370.6	-656.4
OVERBALANCE	596.0	499.9	1785.6	51.3	844.3	2090.8	177.3	3163.7	142.9	1128.9	1448.3
Reserves and related items	-596.0	-499.9	-1785.6	-51.3	-844.3	-2090.8	-177.3	-3163.7	-142.9	-1128.9	-1448.3
Official reserve assets ¹⁴	-568.1	-474.8	-1505.8	-31.4	-608.8	-2090.8	-177.3	-2908.4	-142.9	-1128.9	-1448.3
Use of fund credits and loans, net	-27.8	-25.1	-279.8	-19.9	-235.4	0.0	0.0	-255.3	0.0	27.8	25.1
Exceptional financing transactions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

* Analytic presentation in accordance with IMF 5-th edition of the "Balance of Payments Manual".

¹ Preliminary data. The data for April – September 2008 are revised. With the November 2008 report, balance of payments data for October 2008 are to be revised.

² Data are based on customs declarations, supplemented with NSI data and processed by the BNB, as of date of customs clearing. The data are reconciled with the NSI.

For 2008 preliminary NSI data as of 8 December 2008 which include data from the system INTRAS/TAT for the EU member states and from customs declarations for non-EU countries.

The recalculation of imports at FOB prices is based on a methodology developed by the BNB and the NSI.

³ Estimates following a methodology of the BNB and the Ministry of Economy. Data for 2007-2008 are based on preliminary NSI data on the

numbers of foreign visitors and Bulgarians, who have travelled abroad.

⁵ Estimates following a methodology of the BNB.

⁶ A minus sign denotes a capital outflow (increase in assets or decrease in liabilities).

⁷ Preliminary data. Data are provided by direct investment companies reporting to BNB, Agency for Privatization, NSI, Central Depository, banks and others.

The 2007 and 2008 data include only banks' data on reinvested earnings.

⁸ On the basis of the reports submitted to the BNB by the enterprises with financial credits received from non-residents.

Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

⁹ Mergers and acquisitions are included in this item.

¹⁰ Banks' data.

¹¹ Data on net change of trade credits/assets paid advances and receivables from suppliers), reported to the BNB are included in this item.

Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

¹² Bank for International Settlements (BIS) data are used for 2007 and January – June 2008. For July – October 2008 - data are subject to revisions.

¹³ Data on net change of trade credits/liabilities received/advances and payables to suppliers), reported to the BNB are included in this item.

Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

¹⁴ Excluding valuation changes due to the exchange rate changes. A minus sign (-) denotes an increase in the reserves, a positive sign (+) - a decrease.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF BULGARIA
STANDARD PRESENTATION*
(Monthly data)

STANDARD PRESENTATION * (min EUR)	SIX MONTHS										CUMULATED FIGURES				TWELVE-MONTH CUMULATED FIGURES			
	Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec. 07	Jan. 08	Feb. 08	Mar. 08	Apr. 08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	2007	2008	30.X.2007	30.X.2008	
Current Account¹	-710.0	-752.4	-940.7	-769.7	-635.6	-507.6	-756.5	-700.6	-808.9	-470.7	-310.7	-564.2	-1064.2	-4610.3	-6588.8	-6009.8	-8281.9	
Goods, services, and income, net credit debit	-729.1	-805.4	-977.9	-754.5	-621.5	-673.0	-972.4	-749.2	-891.6	-490.0	-339.3	-574.5	-1031.5	-485.8	-7097.4	-6364.5	-8880.7	
Transportation ³	1721.3	1656.9	1520.0	1531.7	1613.1	1738.0	1719.0	1919.1	2169.3	2442.9	2293.1	2140.9	1785.9	1648.8	1936.1	1925.7	523.1	
Goods, net ² credit debit	-2450.4	-2462.3	-2502.9	-2286.2	-2234.7	-2410.9	-2769.4	-2471.0	-3060.9	-2932.8	-2582.4	-2795.4	-21342.5	-2648.6	-25622.0	-31423.8	-24633.0	
Services, net credit	-709.8	-800.7	-813.2	-613.7	-600.5	-583.3	-770.2	-813.2	-926.1	-807.6	-637.8	-699.2	-948.7	-5688.8	-740.4	-7032.3	-9014.3	
Travel ⁴	1304.9	1267.9	1109.5	1114.6	1212.1	1322.0	1372.2	1320.7	1395.1	1516.3	1308.3	1403.1	1276.9	13241.3	13159.9	15618.6	15186.6	
Other services	-2014.7	-2068.6	-1922.7	-1728.3	-1812.6	-1905.3	-2142.4	-2133.9	-2321.0	-2323.9	-1964.1	-2102.3	-2225.7	-16823.3	-20641.7	-20192.2	-24633.0	
Transportation ³	-35.7	-36.8	-42.8	-96.2	-29.7	-18.2	-27.5	-127.7	264.3	412.4	388.8	200.1	-44.5	1194.6	1177.2	1178.9	1097.6	
Travel ⁴	276.2	251.4	284.1	262.1	262.6	279.7	297.6	469.9	636.7	788.5	787.3	568.5	324.9	4089.6	4668.8	4611.8	5204.3	
Other services	103.6	78.1	112.1	94.7	87.1	104.5	107.2	208.1	175.7	208.5	199.6	154.8	111.2	1207.6	1373.2	1377.4	1549.9	
debit	75.7	85.7	82.8	77.2	81.7	70.3	86.5	131.5	97.1	488.2	490.0	296.1	107.2	2096.8	2346.9	2272.2	2537.1	
Transportation ³	-311.9	-288.2	-326.9	-358.3	-292.3	-297.9	-325.1	-342.3	-372.4	-376.0	-389.5	-368.4	-369.4	-2895.0	-3491.6	-3432.9	-4106.7	
Travel ⁴	-107.5	-110.6	-103.6	-118.8	-104.1	-106.6	-117.5	-126.6	-135.0	-133.3	-135.8	-127.5	-128.8	-972.1	-1234.1	-1141.0	-1448.3	
Other services	-117.6	-112.0	-109.0	-138.0	-115.3	-117.6	-126.4	-139.4	-142.0	-132.4	-165.1	-160.1	-142.9	-111.1	-1379.2	-1285.2	-1600.2	
debit	-65.7	-114.2	-101.5	-72.9	-73.8	-81.2	-76.2	-95.3	-110.3	-98.7	-88.7	-80.8	-97.7	-811.8	-878.3	-1006.7	-1117.3	
Income, net credit	16.4	32.2	-121.9	-44.7	8.7	-71.4	-174.6	-63.7	-229.8	-94.9	-90.3	-75.3	-38.3	-361.6	-874.3	-511.1	-964.0	
Monetary authorities	140.1	137.6	131.5	155.0	138.4	136.3	127.2	128.4	137.6	138.1	156.5	169.4	164.2	1282.6	1451.1	1485.7	1720.2	
General government	17.1	16.2	14.6	12.8	11.4	16.1	14.3	14.9	18.1	23.9	19.6	21.4	18.5	134.0	171.0	161.3	201.8	
Banks	0.5	0.1	0.2	1.0	1.3	0.1	0.0	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.2	13.9	33.6	14.2	
Other sectors	7.6	6.3	7.0	8.5	5.6	5.4	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.7	8.1	7.2	6.6	79.8	65.9	96.0	79.2	
debit	114.9	115.0	109.7	120.7	121.3	114.8	106.6	107.3	113.4	107.6	128.8	140.8	139.0	1015.7	1200.3	1194.8	1425.0	
Monetary authorities	-123.8	-105.5	-253.3	-189.7	-129.7	-207.7	-301.8	-192.1	-367.4	-233.0	-246.8	-244.7	-202.4	-1624.2	-2325.3	-1996.9	-2684.1	
General government	-5.4	-4.6	-16.9	-71.3	-3.7	-12.4	-6.0	-5.6	-12.5	-21.3	-1.5	-9.2	-5.8	-186.4	-149.5	-205.2	-170.9	
Banks	-48.2	-48.1	-54.2	-51.0	-50.7	-60.2	-83.7	-54.7	-102.2	-63.2	-88.2	-70.5	-66.0	-411.2	-690.3	-522.3	-792.5	
Other sectors	-70.2	-52.8	-182.3	-77.4	-75.2	-135.1	-212.1	-131.8	-252.7	-148.5	-157.1	-165.0	-130.6	-1026.7	-1485.6	-1269.4	-1720.7	
Current transfers, net credit	19.1	52.9	37.2	-15.2	-14.1	165.4	215.8	48.5	82.7	19.3	28.6	10.3	-32.7	245.5	508.7	354.7	598.8	
General government	88.2	115.3	89.1	53.9	62.5	228.0	269.4	94.7	132.3	77.8	78.0	63.6	69.1	704.2	1129.2	844.9	1333.5	
Other sectors	28.3	58.0	39.7	15.5	9.7	170.2	207.9	32.9	64.0	3.1	22.4	3.2	3.4	156.5	518.3	159.1	616.0	
debit	59.9	57.3	49.4	52.3	52.8	57.8	61.6	61.8	68.3	74.7	55.6	60.4	65.7	547.7	610.9	685.8	717.6	
General government	-69.1	-62.3	-51.9	-69.1	-76.5	-62.6	-53.6	-46.1	-49.6	-58.5	-49.4	-53.3	-101.7	-48.7	-620.5	-490.2	-734.7	
Other sectors	-45.8	-36.3	-31.8	-50.1	-55.1	-39.1	-32.7	-22.1	-27.6	-23.4	-23.0	-27.0	-65.7	-284.1	-365.8	-286.6	-433.9	
Capital and financial account ^{1,3}	900.1	1095.9	757.0	861.8	966.2	524.4	535.7	855.4	1245.6	706.4	445.8	849.8	1011.3	5987.0	8002.4	7056.5	9855.3	
Capital account ^{1,5}	23.2	118.2	76.6	0.6	116	173.6	12.6	3.3	0.4	19.2	7.2	7.7	5.4	161.5	241.6	213.8	436.3	
Capital transfers, net credit	23.2	118.2	76.6	0.6	116	173.6	12.6	3.3	0.4	19.2	7.2	7.7	5.4	161.5	241.6	213.8	436.3	
General government	20.6	117.8	74.8	0.3	115	173.6	12.6	3.2	0.4	19.2	7.2	7.7	5.4	163.6	241.6	221.1	436.3	
Other sectors	2.6	0.4	1.8	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.5	5.7	2.7	
debit	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-7.3	0.0	-7.3	0.0	
General government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other sectors	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Financial account ^{1,5}	876.9	977.7	680.4	861.2	954.6	350.8	523.1	852.0	1245.2	687.2	438.6	842.1	1006.0	5805.5	7760.9	6842.6	9419.0	
Direct investment, net Abroad	642.4	584.0	515.1	279.8	303.2	73.6	672.5	546.8	732.5	618.7	589.2	383.6	236.3	5210.2	4436.3	6271.5	5535.4	
Equity	-6.6	-15.0	-38.6	-21.8	-9.6	-37.15	-24.8	-12.6	-13.0	-57.3	-13.6	-9.0	-9.0	-146.7	-431.5	-215.2	-485.1	
Other capital	-8.3	-12.7	-38.1	-19.9	-8.0	-362.2	-14.8	-10.1	-10.9	-17.1	-10.4	-12.5	-9.1	-151.5	-474.9	-189.9	-525.7	
Reinvested earnings	1.9	-2.1	-0.3	-1.9	-1.6	-9.2	-9.9	-2.5	-2.1	-4.1	-67.7	-0.1	-0.1	-8.8	43.4	-38.8	-41.0	
In reporting country ³	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.6	0.0	-0.4	
649.0	599.1	553.7	301.6	312.8	445.0	697.3	559.4	745.5	631.7	531.9	397.2	397.2	245.4	5364.2	4867.8	6494.1	6020.6	

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF BULGARIA
STANDARD PRESENTATION*
 (Monthly data)

STANDARD PRESENTATION *	(min EUR)	Twelve-month cumulated figures ending										Cumulated figures January/October	Twelve-month cumulated figures ending					
		Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec. 07	Jan. 08	Feb. 08	Mar. 08	Apr. 08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08				
Equity	345.7	335.8	108.7	172.9	199.3	136.4	218.5	240.4	893.5	272.0	135.8	245.4	141.3	2655.6	3010.1			
Other capital ⁷	262.4	222.4	404.1	87.6	72.3	267.4	434.9	275.2	-192.0	312.5	348.9	104.5	56.8	1817.2	2038.3			
Reinvested earnings	40.9	40.9	40.9	41.2	41.2	43.9	43.9	43.9	-43.9	47.2	47.2	47.2	47.2	330.2	2894.5			
Mergers and acquisitions, net ⁸	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	444.1	525.9			
Portfolio investment, net	-75.2	26.8	-217.1	96.4	-21.8	-63.2	-84.2	16.1	-145.6	-115.1	-29.7	-166.5	112.2	-265.9	-401.3			
Assets ⁹	-16.9	-41.5	-106.5	98.8	-40.1	-45.0	-25.7	28.5	-166.3	-43.8	-27.2	-50.0	136.6	80.8	-134.3	-24.0		
Equity securities	-10.0	-13.6	-4.1	-3.6	-12.4	-0.2	-3.6	-2.9	-1.7	7.0	-2.1	1.6	8.2	-79.8	-9.6	-151.4	-27.3	
Debt securities	-6.9	-27.9	-102.3	102.4	-27.7	-44.9	-22.1	31.3	-164.7	-50.8	-25.2	-51.6	128.4	160.6	-124.8	-127.4	-25.0	
Liabilities	-58.3	68.3	-110.7	-24.2	18.3	-18.1	-58.5	-12.3	20.7	-71.3	-2.5	-116.5	-24.3	-346.7	-266.9	-224.8	-309.3	
Equity securities	-2.7	-28.2	-24.0	-8.7	-8.8	-10.5	-13.0	1.4	10.4	-5.1	-7.4	-7.7	-16.5	132.0	-65.8	134.5	-118.0	
Debt securities	-55.6	96.5	-86.7	6.3	27.1	-7.7	-45.5	-13.8	10.3	-66.2	4.9	-108.8	-7.8	-47.8	-201.1	-359.2	-191.3	
Financial derivatives,net	31.2	-18.4	-30.3	0.4	-10.0	-22.1	-13.1	-22.5	-15.6	2.0	-6.2	1.8	-18.4	-12.4	-103.7	-46.6	-152.4	
Other investment	367.5	602.8	283.6	153.6	640.0	879.5	814.7	176.1	1071.5	590.5	624.3	923.5	141.3	3693.7	6015.1	3953.2	6901.5	
Assets	-80.4	-344.6	-366.1	736.3	212.0	-134.0	148.6	-46.8	-733.5	361.7	-338.5	326.3	-231.2	282.4	300.9	-57.8	-399.8	
Trade credits ¹⁰	9.3	9.0	-42.0	-42.0	-41.7	-32.2	-32.2	-32.2	-32.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-152.4	-222.2	-130.0	-204.1	
Loans	-36.9	-13.7	-51.5	-32.6	-24.8	-44.1	-9.5	-9.6	-53.9	-6.7	-3.3	-1.3	-10.3	-115.9	-196.2	-160.5	-261.4	
Currency and deposits ¹¹	-50.2	-340.6	-300.7	813.7	263.9	-49.2	189.7	-8.0	-641.9	137.1	-331.9	335.1	-213.6	640.8	494.8	318.3	-146.6	
Other assets	-2.6	0.6	-13.0	-28	14.9	1.0	0.7	3.0	-5.5	231.2	-3.3	-7.5	-7.3	-90.2	224.6	-85.5	212.2	
Liabilities	447.9	947.4	639.7	-582.6	427.9	1013.5	666.0	222.9	1805.0	228.9	962.8	597.2	372.5	3411.4	5714.2	4011.0	7301.3	
Trade credits ¹²	36.4	36.1	36.1	-7.4	-7.4	-6.9	33.4	33.4	33.4	37.6	39.4	41.0	0.0	185.6	196.5	221.0	268.7	
Loans	286.4	482.2	-30.9	245.5	113.5	504.6	317.0	248.1	639.1	306.6	309.3	416.9	159.6	231.4	3260.2	2682.1	3711.5	
Currency and deposits	136.3	404.5	630.9	-787.3	296.4	305.8	520.1	-78.9	1149.1	-110.4	618.7	107.2	227.6	993.1	2248.2	2248.2	1120.7	3283.6
Other liabilities	-11.1	24.6	3.6	-33.4	25.4	210.0	-204.4	20.3	-16.6	-4.9	-4.6	32.2	-14.7	1.2	9.3	-12.9	37.4	
BNB Reserve assets (increase:-) ¹³	-89.0	-217.5	129.2	330.9	43.2	-517.0	-866.9	135.5	-397.6	-408.9	-739.0	-300.4	534.4	-2820.1	-2185.6	-3086.7	-2273.9	
Monetary gold	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Special drawing rights	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-3.5	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-3.8	3.8	-3.9		
Reserve position in the Fund	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Foreign exchange	-86.9	-217.4	129.2	330.9	43.2	-513.5	-866.8	135.6	-397.5	-408.9	-739.0	-300.3	534.5	-2820.0	-2181.8	-3090.5	-2269.9	
Net Errors and Omissions	-190.1	-343.5	183.8	-92.0	-330.6	-16.8	220.8	-154.7	-436.7	-235.7	-135.1	-285.6	52.9	-1356.8	-1413.7	-1046.6	-1573.4	

* Standard presentation in accordance with IMF 5-th edition of the "Balance of Payments Manual".

¹ Preliminary data. The data for April – September 2008 are revised. With the November 2008 report, balance of payments data for October 2008 are to be revised.

² Data are based on customs declarations, supplemented by BNB data and processed by the NSI. The data are reconciled with the NSI.

³ For 2008 preliminary NSI data as of 8 December 2008 which include data from the system INTRASTAT for the EU member states and from customs declarations for non-EU countries.

The recalculation of imports at FOB prices is based on a methodology developed by the BNB and the NSI.

⁴ Estimates following a methodology of the BNB and the Ministry of Economy. Data for 2007/2008 are based on preliminary NSI data on the numbers of foreign visitors and Bulgarians, who have travelled abroad.

⁵ A minus sign denotes a capital outflow (increase in assets or decrease in liabilities).

⁶ Preliminary data. Data are provided by direct investment companies reporting to BNB, Agency for Privatization, NSI, Central Depository, banks and others.

⁷ The 2007 and 2008 data include only banks' data on reinvested earnings.

⁸ On the basis of the reports submitted to the BNB by the enterprises with financial credits received from non-residents.

Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

⁹ Mergers and acquisitions are included in this item.

¹⁰ Data on net change of trade credits-assets paid advances and receivables from suppliers), reported to the BNB are included in this item.

Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

¹¹ Bank for International Settlements (BIS) data are used for 2007 and January – June 2008. For July – October 2008 - data are subject to revisions.

¹² Data on net change of trade credits-advanced and payable to suppliers) reported to the BNB are included in this item.

Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

¹³ Excluding valuation changes due to the exchange rate changes. A minus sign (-) denotes an increase in the reserves, a positive sign (+) - a decrease.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS
SERVICES

		2008*										Cumulated figures January - October 2008*		Change 2008/2007				
		2007										January - October 2007		October				
	(min EUR)	Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec.07	Jan. 08	Feb.08	Mar.08	Apr.08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	Oct. 07	Oct. 08		
Services, net¹		-35.7	-36.8	-42.8	-96.2	-29.7	-18.2	-27.5	127.7	264.3	412.4	388.8	200.1	-44.5	1194.6	1177.2	-8.9	-17.5
Credit		276.2	251.4	284.1	262.1	262.6	279.7	297.6	469.9	636.7	788.5	778.3	568.5	324.9	4089.6	4668.8	48.6	579.1
Transportation ²	96.9	87.6	89.1	90.2	93.9	104.9	103.9	130.3	175.7	208.5	199.6	154.8	111.2	1207.6	1373.2	14.3	165.5	
Travel ³	103.6	78.1	112.1	94.7	87.1	104.5	107.2	208.1	363.8	488.2	490.0	296.1	107.2	2096.8	2346.9	3.7	250.1	
Other services ⁴	75.7	85.7	82.8	77.2	81.7	70.3	86.5	131.5	97.1	91.8	88.6	117.6	106.4	785.2	948.7	30.6	163.5	
Communications services	12.7	9.7	8.1	5.3	8.4	9.9	10.5	42.7	16.7	8.8	8.0	20.5	19.2	150.1	6.5	48.1		
Construction services	7.0	8.1	9.7	7.3	5.4	1.6	3.9	5.6	5.1	4.3	5.8	11.9	13.7	81.4	64.7	6.8	-16.8	
Insurance services	1.5	2.9	3.4	2.4	2.7	3.0	2.4	2.3	8.3	2.2	2.5	2.4	2.8	29.0	30.9	1.3	1.9	
Financial services	1.7	2.2	2.3	2.2	1.4	3.0	1.6	1.5	1.2	1.9	1.6	3.0	19.3	18.9	1.3	-0.4		
Computer and information services	6.8	7.7	8.9	9.2	6.7	7.4	8.7	8.4	7.4	9.1	13.7	13.6	12.6	68.6	96.7	5.9	28.1	
Royalties and license fees	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.8	1.9	0.3	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.4	6.5	6.8	0.0	0.3	
Other business services	40.6	47.9	46.3	45.2	51.5	41.8	55.4	66.8	53.2	57.0	52.3	62.7	49.2	428.7	534.9	8.5	106.2	
Personal, cultural and recreational services	4.9	6.9	3.1	4.1	5.0	3.2	3.1	2.2	4.8	7.3	4.2	4.6	5.4	47.8	43.9	0.5	-3.9	
Government services, n.i.e.	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	1.9	1.8	-0.1	-0.1	
Debit		-311.9	-288.2	-326.9	-358.3	-292.3	-297.9	-325.1	-342.3	-372.4	-376.0	-389.5	-368.4	-369.4	-2895.0	-3491.6	-57.5	-596.6
Transportation ²	-107.5	-110.6	-103.6	-118.8	-104.1	-106.6	-117.5	-126.6	-135.0	-133.3	-135.8	-127.5	-128.8	-972.1	-1234.1	-21.3	-262.0	
Travel ³	-117.6	-112.0	-109.0	-138.0	-115.3	-117.5	-126.4	-139.4	-142.0	-132.4	-165.1	-160.1	-142.9	-1379.2	-1111.1	-25.3	-268.1	
Other services ⁴	-86.8	-65.7	-114.2	-101.5	-72.9	-73.8	-81.2	-76.2	-95.3	-110.3	-88.7	-80.8	-97.7	-878.3	-811.8	-66.5		
Communications services	-6.2	-5.6	-8.8	-7.7	-6.6	-5.3	-8.4	-4.0	-10.1	-12.8	-8.4	-11.0	-4.6	-67.2	-78.9	1.6	-11.7	
Construction services	-0.8	-1.3	-0.8	-3.7	-0.6	-2.6	-0.5	-1.2	-1.1	-4.1	-8.3	-7.8	-8.7	-10.0	-38.5	-7.9	-28.5	
Insurance services	-8.4	-7.3	-6.1	-4.5	-7.0	-6.9	-5.7	-7.4	-8.7	-9.3	-6.6	-7.5	-8.0	-84.8	-71.6	0.4	13.1	
Financial services	-8.4	-2.8	-8.2	-3.0	-2.3	-2.9	-2.3	-2.8	-3.6	-2.4	-5.4	-2.5	-4.2	-3.5	-63.2	5.9	34.3	
Computer and information services	-3.0	-2.5	-5.2	-3.8	-4.3	-3.9	-3.4	-3.4	-3.9	-3.8	-4.2	-1.6	-3.5	-43.5	-35.8	-0.5	7.7	
Royalties and license fees	-3.5	-3.5	-4.7	-5.0	-6.5	-3.7	-3.3	-4.3	-5.4	-5.4	-5.7	-5.2	-5.8	-44.8	-50.4	-2.4	-5.5	
Other business services	-54.2	-40.8	-77.7	-72.0	-43.7	-46.9	-55.4	-51.1	-60.8	-70.6	-48.6	-44.4	-63.2	-475.4	-556.6	-9.0	-81.3	
Personal, cultural and recreational services	-1.8	-1.1	-2.2	-1.4	-1.2	-0.8	-1.3	-1.6	-1.0	-1.4	-0.8	-0.7	-0.9	-17.9	-11.2	0.9	6.7	
Government services, n.i.e.	-0.4	-0.8	-0.6	-0.6	-0.5	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.4	-0.7	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0	-0.5	-5.1	-6.5	0.0	-1.4

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² Estimates for the freight transportation follow a methodology of the BNB and the NSI.

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⁴ Data received from the banks and firm reports on accounts abroad.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

INCOME

	(mln EUR)										Cumulated figures January - October				Change 2008/2007		
	Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec.07	Jan. 08	Feb.08	Mar.08	Apr.08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	2007	2008*	October	Jan-Oct.
Income, net	16.4	32.2	-121.9	-44.7	8.7	-71.4	-174.6	-63.7	-229.8	-94.9	-90.3	-75.3	-38.3	-361.6	-874.3	-54.6	-512.7
Credit	140.1	137.6	131.5	155.0	138.4	136.3	127.2	128.4	137.6	138.1	156.5	169.4	164.2	1262.6	1451.1	24.0	188.5
Compensation of employees ¹	113.7	106.1	106.1	119.1	118.3	113.1	105.3	106.5	111.1	106.6	128.3	139.1	138.2	1017.2	1185.5	24.5	168.3
Investment income	26.4	31.5	25.4	35.9	20.1	23.3	21.9	26.5	31.5	28.2	30.3	25.9	245.4	265.5	-0.5	20.1	
Direct investment ²	0.5	1.3	1.7	0.3	2.4	0.9	0.8	0.1	1.4	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.7	-7.3	7.9	0.1	15.3
Dividends and distributed branch profits	0.3	1.1	0.2	0.2	2.4	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.7	3.7	5.6	0.4	1.9
Rainvested earnings and undistributed branch profits	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-13.6	0.0	-0.2	13.6
On debt (interest)	0.1	0.0	1.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.1	1.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	2.6	2.4	-0.1	-0.2
Portfolio investment ³	12.9	11.6	12.0	10.6	7.9	8.5	9.3	11.2	15.1	19.7	16.6	18.4	17.4	117.2	134.8	4.4	17.6
On equity (dividends)	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2
On debt (interest)	12.9	11.6	11.7	10.6	7.9	8.5	9.3	11.0	15.0	19.7	16.6	18.4	17.3	116.9	134.4	4.4	17.4
Other investment ⁴	12.9	18.6	11.7	25.0	9.7	13.9	11.8	10.6	10.0	11.4	11.4	7.9	7.9	135.6	122.8	-5.0	-12.7
Loans	1.5	8.3	2.3	14.8	2.3	2.8	3.4	3.8	2.6	3.9	2.3	4.7	4.3	0.8	0.8	-4.7	-8.0
Deposits and miscellaneous accounts	11.4	10.2	9.4	10.2	7.4	11.1	8.4	7.2	6.2	8.8	7.5	7.6	5.6	87.9	79.8	-5.8	-8.0
Debit	-123.8	-105.5	-253.3	-199.7	-129.7	-207.7	-301.8	-192.1	-367.4	-233.0	-246.8	-244.7	-202.4	-1624.2	-2325.3	-78.7	-701.2
Compensation of employees	-3.1	-1.5	-3.3	-1.8	-2.6	-3.8	-2.0	-1.6	-1.9	-1.9	-1.2	-1.6	-2.0	-34.7	-21.2	1.1	13.5
Investment income	-120.7	-103.9	-250.1	-197.9	-127.1	-205.1	-298.0	-190.1	-365.8	-231.1	-245.6	-243.1	-200.4	-1889.5	-2304.2	-79.8	-714.7
Direct investment ²	-83.4	-71.5	-166.9	-83.9	-94.1	-133.5	-238.6	-150.3	-298.0	-161.1	-198.3	-176.4	-161.4	-1113.3	-1695.8	-78.0	-582.5
Dividends and distributed branch profits	-20.7	-13.6	-80.1	-11.1	-16.6	-11.9	-148.5	-41.7	-184.2	-67.7	-73.1	-63.9	-87.8	-422.6	-706.5	-67.2	-283.9
Rainvested earnings and undistributed branch profits ⁵	-40.9	-40.9	-40.9	-41.2	-41.2	-43.9	-43.9	-43.9	-43.9	-47.2	-47.2	-47.2	-47.2	-330.2	-444.1	-6.3	-113.9
On debt (interest)	-21.9	-17.0	-45.9	-31.6	-36.3	-80.4	-64.7	-64.7	-69.9	-46.2	-78.0	-65.4	-26.3	-360.5	-545.1	-4.5	-184.6
Portfolio investment ³	0.0	0.0	-69.5	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-20.8	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-125.7	-91.1	0.0	34.6
On equity (dividends)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
On debt (interest)	0.0	0.0	0.0	-69.5	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-20.8	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-125.7	-91.1	0.0	34.6
Other investment ⁴	-37.2	-32.4	-83.1	-44.5	-32.9	-71.4	-59.3	-39.6	-67.7	-49.2	-47.2	-66.5	-39.0	-350.5	-517.3	-1.8	-166.8
Loans	-35.7	-31.2	-81.7	-42.8	-31.7	-69.2	-57.9	-38.9	-66.8	-46.6	-40.3	-63.8	-34.3	-336.2	-492.2	1.4	-156.1
Deposits and miscellaneous accounts	-1.5	-1.2	-1.4	-1.7	-1.2	-2.2	-1.4	-0.7	-0.9	-2.6	-6.9	-2.8	-4.7	-14.3	-25.0	-3.1	-10.8

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¹ Estimates following a methodology of the BNB.

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³ Data are provided by the banks, Central Depository, Ministry of Finance, the BNB and non-bank investment intermediaries.

⁴ Data from the firms' quarterly reports, banks' monthly reports and the BNB.

Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

⁵ The 2007 and 2008 data include only banks' data on reinvested earnings.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

CURRENT AND CAPITAL TRANSFERS

		CURRENT AND CAPITAL TRANSFERS													
		CUMULATED FIGURES JANUARY - OCTOBER 2008*													
		OCTOBER													
(mln EUR)		Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec. 07	Jan. 08	Feb. 08	Mar. 08	Apr. 08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	Cumulated figures January - October 2007
Current and Capital transfers, net		42.3	171.1	113.8	-14.6	-2.5	339.0	228.5	51.8	83.1	38.4	35.8	18.0	-27.3	407.0
Current transfers, net		19.1	52.9	37.2	-15.2	-14.1	165.4	215.8	48.5	82.7	19.3	28.6	10.3	-32.7	245.5
Credit		88.2	115.3	89.1	53.9	62.5	228.0	269.4	94.7	132.3	77.8	78.0	63.6	69.1	704.2
General government		28.3	58.0	39.7	1.5	9.7	170.2	207.9	32.9	64.0	3.1	22.4	3.2	3.4	156.5
incl. EU transfers ¹		26.6	56.3	36.2	0.1	6.5	169.0	204.9	28.6	54.0	-0.1	20.0	0.7	1.9	118.3
Other (private) ²		59.9	57.3	49.4	52.3	52.8	57.8	61.6	68.3	74.7	55.6	60.4	65.7	547.7	610.9
Workers' remittances		25.4	23.1	20.1	23.2	19.6	29.6	26.4	28.6	36.4	35.1	29.8	30.9	32.4	247.2
Other private transfers		34.5	34.2	29.3	33.2	28.2	35.2	33.2	31.8	39.5	25.8	29.5	33.2	300.5	318.8
Debit		-69.1	-62.3	-51.9	-69.1	-76.5	-62.6	-53.6	-46.1	-49.6	-58.5	-49.4	-53.3	-101.7	-458.7
General government		-45.8	-36.3	-31.8	-50.1	-55.1	-39.1	-32.7	-22.1	-27.6	-23.4	-23.0	-27.0	-65.7	-620.5
incl. EU transfers ¹		-40.8	-29.1	-26.1	-37.7	-51.7	-27.6	-29.3	-19.5	-17.9	-16.6	-19.6	-24.9	-50.2	-385.8
Other (private) ²		-23.4	-26.0	-20.1	-19.0	-21.4	-23.5	-20.8	-24.1	-22.0	-35.1	-26.5	-36.1	-174.6	-284.1
Workers' remittances		-2.1	-4.6	-1.3	-1.2	-1.8	-1.3	-1.4	-1.8	-1.2	-2.7	-1.8	-3.3	-2.8	-254.7
Other private transfers		-21.3	-21.4	-18.8	-17.8	-19.6	-22.2	-19.4	-22.3	-20.8	-32.4	-24.6	-22.9	-33.3	-12.7
Capital transfers, net		23.2	118.2	76.6	0.6	11.6	173.6	12.6	3.3	0.4	19.2	7.2	7.7	5.4	61.5
Credit		23.2	118.2	76.6	0.6	11.6	173.6	12.6	3.3	0.4	19.2	7.2	7.7	5.4	168.8
General government		20.6	117.8	74.8	0.3	11.5	173.6	12.6	3.2	0.4	19.2	7.2	7.7	5.4	163.6
incl. EU transfers ¹		20.6	117.8	74.8	0.0	11.2	173.3	12.6	3.2	0.4	18.3	6.4	7.0	5.4	241.6
Other sectors		2.6	0.4	1.8	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	63.6
Debit		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General government		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
incl. EU transfers		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other sectors		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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¹ Data provided by the Ministry of Finance and the BNB. The programmes PHARE, ISPA and SAPARD are included.

² Data provided by the banks and the BRC, AFA, Ministry of Defense.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT

		2008*										Cumulated figures January - October 2007		Change 2008/2007 October					
(mn EUR)		Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec. 07	Jan. 08	Feb. 08	Mar. 08	Apr. 08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	236.3	5210.2	4436.3	-406.1	-773.9
Direct investment		642.4	584.0	515.1	279.8	303.2	73.6	672.5	546.8	732.5	618.7	589.2	383.6						
Abroad		-6.6	-15.0	-38.6	-21.8	-9.6	-371.5	-24.8	-12.6	-13.0	-13.0	57.3	-13.6	-9.0	-146.7	-315	-2.4	-284.8	
Equity capital ¹		-8.3	-12.7	-38.1	-19.9	-8.0	-362.2	-14.8	-10.1	-10.9	-17.1	-10.4	-12.5	-9.1	-151.5	-474.9	-0.8	-323.4	
Banks		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-8.4	-1.0	0.0	7.4	
Other sectors		-8.3	-12.7	-38.1	-19.9	-8.0	-362.2	-14.8	-10.1	-10.9	-17.1	-9.4	-12.5	-9.1	-143.0	-473.9	-0.8	-330.9	
Reinvested earnings		-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	-13.6	
Banks		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other sectors		-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	-13.6	
Other capital ²		1.9	-2.1	-0.3	-1.9	-1.6	-9.2	-9.9	-2.5	-2.1	4.1	67.7	-1.1	0.1	-8.8	43.4	-1.8	52.3	
Banks		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other sectors		1.9	-2.1	-0.3	-1.9	-1.6	-9.2	-9.9	-2.5	-2.1	4.1	67.7	-1.1	0.1	-8.8	43.4	-1.8	52.3	
In the reporting economy		649.0	599.1	553.7	301.6	312.8	445.0	697.3	559.4	745.5	631.7	531.9	397.2	245.4	5364.2	4867.8	-403.6	-496.4	
Equity capital ³		345.7	335.8	108.7	172.9	199.3	136.4	218.5	240.4	893.5	272.0	135.8	245.4	141.3	3216.8	2855.6	-204.4	-561.1	
Banks		114.3	9.4	41.1	6.9	-0.2	-0.7	31.9	21.5	23.6	47.1	4.8	59.2	4.3	277.8	198.3	-110.1	-79.4	
Other sectors		231.3	326.4	67.6	166.1	199.5	137.1	186.6	218.9	870.6	224.9	131.0	186.2	137.0	2939.0	2457.3	-94.3	-481.7	
incl. Real estate		135.9	149.0	146.5	110.0	132.3	97.1	121.1	130.0	128.6	151.5	104.6	114.6	98.6	1517.5	1188.3	-37.3	-329.2	
Reinvested earnings ⁴		40.9	40.9	40.9	41.2	41.2	41.2	43.9	43.9	43.9	47.2	47.2	47.2	47.2	330.2	444.1	6.3	113.9	
Banks		40.9	40.9	40.9	41.2	41.2	41.2	43.9	43.9	43.9	47.2	47.2	47.2	47.2	330.2	444.1	6.3	113.9	
Other sectors		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other capital ²		262.4	222.4	404.1	87.6	72.3	267.4	434.9	275.2	-192.0	312.5	348.9	104.5	56.8	1817.2	1768.1	-205.6	-49.2	
Banks		71.1	71.2	215.5	2.1	2.2	0.3	2.1	2.7	45.7	2.7	3.0	3.0	3.0	156.9	66.8	-88.1	-90.1	
Other sectors		191.3	151.1	188.6	85.4	70.0	267.1	432.8	272.4	-237.7	309.8	345.9	101.6	53.8	1660.3	1701.2	-137.5	40.9	
Mergers and acquisitions, net ⁵		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-7.4	0.0	0.0	7.4	

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¹ On the basis of banks' reports and the quarterly reports of the firms with direct investments abroad.

² On the basis of the reports submitted to the BNB by the enterprises with financial and trade credits between related parties.

³ Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

⁴ Data are provided by direct investment companies reporting to BNB, Agency for Privatization, NSI, Central Depository, banks and the BNB.

⁵ The 2007 and 2008 data include only banks' data on reinvested earnings.

⁵ Mergers and acquisitions are included in this item.

		BALANCE OF PAYMENTS												PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT				
		2008/2007												2008/2007				
		2008												2007				
		Oct.	07	Nov.	07	Dec.	07	Jan.	08	Feb.	08	Mar.	08	Apr.	08	May.	08	
Portfolio investment		-75.2	26.8	-217.1	96.4	-21.8	-63.2	-84.2	16.1	-145.6	-115.1	-29.7	-166.5	112.2	-265.9	-401.3	187.5	-135.4
Assets^{1,2}		-16.9	-41.5	-106.5	98.8	-40.1	-45.0	-25.7	28.5	-166.3	-43.8	-27.2	-50.0	136.6	80.8	-134.3	153.5	-215.2
Equities securities		-10.0	-13.6	-4.1	-3.6	-12.4	-0.2	-3.6	-2.9	-1.7	7.0	-2.1	1.6	8.2	-79.8	-9.6	18.1	70.2
Debt securities		-6.9	-27.9	-102.3	102.4	-27.7	-44.9	-22.1	31.3	-164.7	-50.8	-25.2	-51.6	128.4	160.6	-124.8	135.4	-285.4
Bonds and notes		-11.9	-42.0	-37.4	40.5	-2.9	-25.0	-42.1	-23.2	-86.7	-50.8	-10.5	-41.9	69.3	92.8	-173.3	81.3	-266.1
MFIs		-0.8	1.8	11.5	52.8	13.0	-4.9	-23.0	12.0	-78.3	-4.9	-19.1	-27.1	59.7	163.3	-19.7	60.5	-183.0
Other sectors		-11.1	-43.8	-48.9	-12.3	-15.9	-20.1	-19.1	-35.2	-8.5	-45.9	8.6	-14.8	9.6	-70.5	-153.6	20.8	-83.1
Money market instruments		5.0	14.1	-64.9	61.9	-24.8	-19.9	20.0	54.5	-77.9	0.0	-14.6	-9.7	59.1	67.8	48.5	54.1	-19.3
MFIs		5.0	14.1	-65.7	61.9	-24.8	-19.9	20.0	54.5	-77.9	0.0	-14.5	-9.7	59.1	69.8	48.7	54.1	-21.1
Other sectors		0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	-2.0	-0.2	0.0	1.8
Liabilities¹		-58.3	68.3	-10.7	-2.4	18.3	-18.1	-58.5	-12.3	20.7	-71.3	-2.5	-116.5	-24.3	-346.7	-266.9	34.0	79.8
Equities securities		-2.7	-28.2	-24.0	-8.7	-8.8	-10.5	-13.0	1.4	10.4	-5.1	-7.4	-7.7	-16.5	132.0	-65.8	-13.8	-197.8
MFIs ³		9.0	-1.0	4.7	-9.8	-3.3	-3.2	-1.4	0.5	1.8	-1.7	-6.6	-3.7	-10.6	53.2	-38.1	-19.7	-91.3
Other sectors ³		-11.8	-27.2	-28.7	1.1	-5.5	-7.3	-11.6	1.0	8.6	-3.3	-0.8	-4.0	-5.9	78.8	-27.7	5.9	-106.5
Debt securities		-55.6	96.5	-86.7	6.3	27.1	-7.7	-45.5	-13.8	10.3	-66.2	4.9	-108.8	-7.8	-478.7	-201.1	47.7	277.6
Bonds and notes		10.9	96.5	-86.7	6.3	27.1	-7.7	-45.5	-13.8	10.3	-66.2	4.9	-108.8	-7.8	-299.8	-201.1	-18.7	98.7
General government ^{4,5}		11.4	-8.8	7.6	8.4	27.3	-1.5	-43.3	-13.9	1.0	-65.7	5.0	-4.0	-9.3	-278.4	-96.1	-20.7	182.3
MFIs ³		0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	5.0	0.0	-98.2	-2.8	-95.8	-2.8	-86.5	-86.5
Other sectors ³		-0.5	105.4	-94.3	-2.1	-0.2	-6.1	-2.1	0.0	9.3	-5.5	0.0	-6.6	4.3	-12.0	-9.2	2.9	2.9
Money market instruments		-66.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-179.0	0.0	66.5	179.0	0.0
Monetary authorities		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General government ^{4,5}		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MFIs ³		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other sectors ³		-66.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-179.0	0.0	66.5	179.0
Financial derivatives, net		31.2	-18.4	-30.3	0.4	-10.0	-22.1	-13.1	-22.5	-15.6	2.0	-6.2	1.8	-18.4	-12.4	-103.7	-49.6	-91.2
Assets		-3.7	-18.2	-9.4	0.1	-9.9	-21.8	-13.0	-22.6	-15.3	-1.5	-5.3	-0.6	-18.1	-73.5	-108.0	-14.5	-34.5
Liabilities		34.9	-0.3	-21.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.3	3.6	-0.9	2.4	-0.2	61.1	4.3	-35.1	-56.8

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¹ A minus sign denotes a capital outflow (increase in assets or decrease in liabilities).

² On the basis of monthly banks' reports and the quarterly reports of other investment intermediaries.

³ Due to the quarterly reporting of the non-bank investment intermediaries the data are subject to revisions.

⁴ Data from the monthly reports of the Central Depository.

⁵ The data on government debt securities, issued on the internal market, are based on quarterly reports of the primary dealers.

Due to quarterly reports of the primary dealers of government debt securities, data are subject to revisions.

⁵ For issues of government debt securities on external markets the data are from the monthly banks' reports and the Ministry of Finance.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

OTHER INVESTMENT
(STANDARD PRESENTATION)

	Other investment (mln EUR)										Cumulated figures January - October 2008*				Change 2008/2007		
	Oct. 07	Nov. 07	Dec. 07	Jan. 08	Feb. 08	Mar. 08	Apr. 08	May. 08	Jun. 08	Jul. 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	Oct. 07	Oct. 08		
Other investment, net	367.5	602.8	283.6	153.6	640.0	879.5	814.7	176.1	1071.5	590.5	624.3	923.5	141.3	3693.7	6015.1	-226.2	2321.4
Assets	-80.4	-344.6	-356.1	736.3	212.0	-134.0	148.6	-46.8	-733.5	361.7	-338.5	326.3	-231.2	282.4	300.9	-150.7	18.6
Trade credits ¹	9.3	9.1	-42.0	-42.0	-41.7	-32.2	-32.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-152.4	-222.2	-9.3	-69.9
Loans	-36.9	-13.7	-51.5	-32.6	-24.8	-44.1	-9.5	-9.6	-53.9	-6.7	-3.3	-1.3	-10.3	-115.9	-196.2	26.6	-80.3
Banks ²	-14.9	-12.6	-44.6	-35.6	-2.3	-22.7	4.6	-2.1	-36.9	-3.5	-3.9	2.6	-10.3	-38.6	-110.0	4.6	-71.4
Long-term	-12.1	-13.1	-42.6	-32.9	-0.3	-8.9	-17.1	8.8	-8.9	-3.9	-13.7	0.1	-1.3	-44.4	-77.9	10.8	-33.5
Short-term	-2.9	0.4	-2.0	-2.7	-2.1	-13.8	21.7	-10.9	-28.0	0.3	9.8	2.5	-9.0	5.9	-32.1	6.2	-37.9
Other sectors ³	-22.0	-1.0	-6.9	2.9	-22.5	-21.4	-14.2	-7.5	-17.0	-3.1	0.6	-4.0	0.0	-77.3	-86.2	22.0	8.9
Long-term	18.0	-1.0	-5.0	0.0	-4.0	-2.6	13.9	-2.5	0.0	2.6	-0.4	0.0	5.4	5.3	-18.0	-0.1	-18.0
Short-term	-39.9	0.0	-1.9	3.0	-18.4	-18.8	-28.1	-5.0	-15.3	-3.1	-2.0	-3.5	0.0	-82.7	-91.5	39.9	-8.8
Currency and deposits	-50.2	-340.6	-300.7	813.7	263.9	-49.2	189.7	-8.0	-641.9	137.1	-331.9	335.1	-213.6	640.8	494.8	-163.4	-146.0
Banks ⁴	-93.0	-364.6	-343.7	742.0	192.2	-120.9	185.9	-11.8	-645.7	139.7	-329.3	337.7	-213.6	742.8	275.9	-120.6	-466.9
Other sectors ⁵	26.5	26.5	26.5	67.5	67.5	67.5	5.4	5.4	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-133.8	218.6	-26.5	352.5
Other assets	-2.6	0.6	-13.0	-2.8	14.9	1.0	0.7	3.0	-5.5	231.2	-3.3	-7.5	-7.3	-90.2	224.6	-4.7	314.8
Liabilities	447.9	947.4	639.7	-582.6	427.9	1013.5	666.0	222.9	1805.0	228.9	962.8	597.2	372.5	3411.4	5714.2	-75.4	2302.8
Trade credits ⁶	36.4	36.1	-7.4	-7.4	-6.9	33.4	33.4	33.4	33.4	37.6	39.4	41.0	0.0	185.6	196.5	-36.4	10.8
Loans	286.4	482.2	-30.9	245.5	113.5	504.6	317.0	248.1	639.1	306.6	309.3	416.9	159.6	2231.4	3260.2	-126.8	1028.8
Monetary authorities ⁷	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-255.3	0.0	0.0	255.3
Use of fund credits and loans	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-255.3	0.0	0.0	255.3
General government ⁷	-9.8	-14.7	8.4	-33.8	-257.4	-12.6	-7.0	-18.7	20.9	0.5	-23.3	11.2	77.2	-311.7	21.1	-388.9	
Long-term	-9.8	-1.3	-44.7	8.4	-33.8	-257.4	-12.6	-7.0	-18.7	20.9	0.5	-23.3	11.2	77.2	-311.7	21.1	-388.9
Banks ²	50.8	31.0	-72.1	10.3	42.9	157.4	170.8	27.4	326.9	57.7	91.5	354.3	84.6	239.0	1323.8	33.8	1084.8
Long-term	27.7	10.5	36.3	2.7	15.8	28.7	29.4	-3.5	181.3	13.4	75.2	59.3	-18.0	463.5	584.4	-45.7	120.9
Short-term	23.1	20.5	-108.4	7.6	27.1	128.7	-58.6	30.9	145.6	44.3	16.3	295.0	102.6	-24.5	739.4	79.5	963.9
Other sectors ³	245.5	452.4	85.9	226.8	104.4	604.6	158.8	227.7	330.9	228.0	217.3	65.9	63.8	2170.6	2248.2	-181.7	77.6
Long-term	109.2	255.6	76.2	92.0	17.5	345.5	79.8	103.2	106.1	95.0	171.9	84.8	-37.9	523.5	1057.8	-147.0	534.3
Short-term	136.3	196.9	9.6	134.8	86.9	259.1	79.0	124.6	224.8	133.1	45.4	1.1	101.7	1647.1	1190.4	-34.6	-456.7
Currency and deposits ⁸	136.3	404.5	630.9	-787.3	296.4	305.8	520.1	-78.9	1149.1	-110.4	618.7	107.2	227.6	993.1	2248.2	91.3	125.1
Banks	136.3	404.5	630.9	-787.3	296.4	305.8	520.1	-78.9	1149.1	-110.4	618.7	107.2	227.6	993.1	2248.2	91.3	125.1
Other liabilities	-11.1	24.6	3.6	-33.4	25.4	210.0	-204.4	203.3	-16.6	-4.9	-4.6	32.2	-14.7	8.1	-3.6	9.3	8.1

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Due to quarterly reporting data are subject to revisions.

² Data from the monthly banks' reports.

³ Data from the quarterly reports of the firms. Due to the quarterly reporting the data are subject to revisions.

^{4,8} Source: BNB.

⁵ Bank for International Settlements (BIS) data are used for 2007 and January – June 2008. For July – October 2008 – data are subject to revisions.

⁶ Data on net change of trade credits-liabilities (received advances and payables to suppliers), reported to the BNB are included in this item.

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⁷ Source: Ministry of Finance and the BNB.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN

STANDARD PRESENTATION *		January - October 2007			January - October 2008			Change 2008/2007		
	(mln EUR)	Rest of the World	Intra EU	Extra EU	Rest of the World	Intra EU	Extra EU	Rest of the World	Intra EU	Extra EU
Current account¹	-4610.3	-2328.3	-2820.0	-6588.8	-2962.8	-3626.0	-1978.5	-634.5	-1344.1	-1308.6
Goods, services and income, net	-4855.8	-2453.9	-2401.9	-7097.4	-3386.9	-3710.5	-2241.7	-933.0	-1298.6	-1298.6
Goods and services, net	-4494.2	-2203.0	-291.1	-6223.2	-2633.4	-3589.7	-1729.0	-430.4	-1120.3	-1031.6
Trade Balance ²	-5688.8	-3021.6	-2667.2	-7400.4	-3612.8	-3787.6	-1711.5	-591.2	-2106.8	-1666.4
Goods, credit	11134.5	6867.1	4267.4	13241.3	7942.3	5299.0	2106.8	1075.1	1116	1116
Goods, debit	-16823.3	-9888.7	-6934.6	-20641.7	-11555.1	-9086.6	-3818.3	-2151.9	-146.4	-146.4
Services, net	1194.6	818.5	376.1	1177.2	979.4	197.8	-17.5	160.8	-178.3	-178.3
Services, credit	4089.6	2892.5	197.1	4668.8	3377.8	1291.0	579.1	485.2	93.9	93.9
Transportation ³	1207.6	830.2	377.4	1373.2	966.1	407.1	165.5	135.9	29.7	29.7
Travel ⁴	2096.8	1537.1	559.7	2346.9	1737.2	609.7	250.1	200.1	50.0	50.0
Other services	785.2	525.2	260.1	948.7	674.4	274.3	163.5	149.3	14.2	14.2
Services not allocated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Services, debit	-2895.0	-2074.0	-321.0	-3491.6	-2398.4	-1093.2	-596.6	-324.4	-272.2	-272.2
Transportation ³	-972.1	-594.4	-1234.1	-1234.1	-703.0	-531.1	-262.0	-108.6	-153.4	-153.4
Travel ⁴	-1111.1	-895.5	-215.5	-1379.2	-1078.4	-300.8	-268.1	-182.9	-85.2	-85.2
Other services	-811.8	-584.1	-227.7	-878.3	-617.0	-261.3	-66.5	-32.9	-33.6	-33.6
Services not allocated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Income, net	-361.6	-250.8	-110.7	-874.3	-753.5	-120.8	-512.7	-502.7	-10.0	-10.0
Income, credit	1262.6	1096.1	166.5	1451.1	1280.2	170.9	188.5	184.0	4.4	4.4
Compensation of employees ⁵	1017.2	971.5	45.7	1185.5	1103.4	82.2	168.3	131.9	36.5	36.5
Investment income	245.4	124.6	120.8	265.5	176.8	88.8	20.1	52.2	-32.0	-32.0
Income, debit	-1624.2	-1347.0	-277.2	-2325.3	-2033.7	-291.7	-701.2	-686.7	-14.5	-14.5
Compensation of employees	-34.7	-21.8	-12.9	-21.2	-13.7	-8.1	13.5	8.8	4.8	4.8
Investment income	-1589.5	-1325.2	-264.3	-2304.2	-2020.6	-283.5	-714.7	-695.4	-19.2	-19.2
Current transfers, net	245.5	125.6	119.9	508.7	424.2	84.5	263.2	298.6	-35.4	-35.4
Current transfers, credit	704.2	498.4	205.8	1129.2	899.2	229.9	424.9	400.8	24.1	24.1
Current transfers, debit	-458.7	-372.8	-85.9	-620.5	-475.1	-145.4	-161.8	-102.2	-59.6	-59.6
Capital account^{1,6}	161.5	158.5	3.0	241.6	238.2	3.3	80.1	79.7	0.4	43.2
Capital transfers, net	161.5	158.5	3.0	241.6	238.2	3.3	80.1	79.7	0.4	43.2
Capital transfers, credit	168.8	165.9	3.0	241.6	238.2	3.3	72.8	72.4	0.4	43.2
Capital transfers, debit	-7.3	-7.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.3	7.3	0.0	43.2
Financial account^{1,6}	5805.5	7303.1	-1497.5	7760.9	9215.2	-1454.3	1955.3	1912.1	43.2	43.2
Direct investment	5210.2	4743.0	467.1	4436.3	3820.0	616.3	-773.9	-923.0	149.1	149.1
Abroad	-146.7	-47.4	-99.2	-431.5	-357.5	-74.0	-284.8	-310.0	25.2	25.2
Equity capital	-151.5	-59.0	-92.5	-474.9	-424.4	-50.6	-323.4	-365.4	41.9	41.9
Reinvested earnings	13.6	-1.1	14.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	-13.6	1.1	-14.7	-14.7
Other capital	-8.8	12.6	-21.5	43.4	66.9	-23.5	52.3	54.3	-2.0	-2.0
In the reporting economy ⁷	5364.2	4651.5	712.7	4867.8	4177.5	690.3	-496.4	-474.0	-22.4	-22.4
Equity capital	3216.8	2717.0	499.8	2655.6	2168.3	487.3	-561.1	-548.7	-12.5	-12.5
Reinvested earnings	330.2	321.0	9.2	444.1	432.6	11.5	113.9	111.6	2.3	2.3
Other capital ⁸	1817.2	1613.5	203.8	1768.1	1576.6	191.5	-49.2	-36.9	-12.2	-12.2
Mergers and acquisitions, net ⁹	-7.4	139.0	-146.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4	-139.0	146.4	146.4
Portfolio investment	-265.9	-268.4	2.5	-401.3	-222.9	-178.4	-135.4	-45.5	-180.9	-180.9
Assets ¹⁰	80.8	-14.0	94.8	-134.3	-119.9	-14.5	-215.2	-215.2	-105.9	-105.9
Equities securities	-79.8	-67.9	-9.6	-11.9	-5.8	-3.7	-3.7	-3.7	8.2	8.2

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN

STANDARD PRESENTATION *		January - October 2007			January - October 2008			Change 2008/2007		
	(mln EUR)	Rest of the World	Intra EU	Extra EU	Rest of the World	Intra EU	Extra EU	Rest of the World	Intra EU	Extra EU
Debt securities	160.6	53.9	106.7	-124.8	-114.0	-10.8	-285.4	-167.9	-117.5	
Liabilities	-346.7	-254.4	-92.3	-266.9	-103.0	-163.9	79.8	151.4	-71.6	
Equities securities	132.0	-65.4	188.4	-65.8	-111.8	46.0	-197.8	-55.4	-142.4	
Debt securities	-478.7	-186.0	-280.7	-201.1	8.8	-209.9	277.6	206.8	70.8	
Financial derivatives,net	-12.4	29.7	-42.2	-103.7	-87.2	-16.5	-91.2	-116.9	25.7	
Other investment	3693.7	2798.7	895.0	6015.1	5705.2	309.9	2321.4	2906.5	-585.1	
Assets	282.4	486.3	-184.0	300.9	57.8	243.1	18.6	-408.6	427.1	
Trade credits ¹¹	-152.4	-88.6	-63.8	-222.2	-168.6	-53.7	-69.9	-80.0	10.1	
Loans	-115.9	-58.2	-57.6	-196.2	-88.3	-107.9	-80.3	-30.1	-50.2	
Currency and deposits ¹²	640.8	674.6	-33.8	494.8	301.9	192.9	-146.0	-372.8	226.7	
Other assets	-90.2	-61.5	-28.7	224.6	12.7	211.8	314.8	74.3	240.5	
Liabilities	3411.4	2332.4	1079.0	5714.2	5647.4	66.8	2302.8	315.0	-1012.2	
Trade credits ¹³	185.6	173.0	12.7	196.5	96.5	99.9	10.8	-76.4	87.3	
Loans	2231.4	2149.1	82.4	3260.2	3191.6	68.6	1028.8	1042.6	-13.8	
Currency and deposits	993.1	64.7	928.5	2248.2	2345.0	-96.8	1255.1	2280.4	-1025.3	
Other liabilities	1.2	-54.4	55.5	9.3	14.2	-4.9	8.1	68.5	-60.5	
BNB Reserve assets (increase: -) ¹⁴	-2820.1			-2185.6			634.5			
Net Errors and Omissions	-1356.8			-1413.7			-56.9			

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² Data are based on customs declarations, supplemented with NSI data and processed by the BNB, as of date of customs clearing. The data are reconciled with the NSI. For 2008 preliminary NSI data as of 8 December 2008 which include data from the system INTRASTAT for the EU member states and from customs declarations for non-EU countries.

The recalculations of imports at FOB prices is based on a methodology developed by the BNB and the NSI.

³ Estimates for freight transportation following a methodology of the BNB and the NSI.

⁴ Estimates following a methodology of the BNB and the Ministry of Economy. Data for 2007-2008 are based on preliminary NSI data on the numbers of foreign visitors and Bulgarians, who have travelled abroad.

⁵ Estimates following a methodology of the BNB.

⁶ A minus sign denotes a capital outflow (increase in assets or decrease in liabilities).

⁷ Preliminary data. Data are provided by direct investment companies reporting to BNB, Agency for Privatization, NSI, Central Depository, banks and others.

The 2007 and 2008 data include only banks' data on reinvested earnings.

⁸ On the basis of the reports submitted to the BNB by the enterprises with financial credits received from non-residents.

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⁹ Mergers and acquisitions are included in this item.

¹⁰ Banks' data.

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¹⁴ Excluding valuation changes due to the exchange rate changes. A minus sign (-) denotes an increase in the reserves, a positive sign (+) - a decrease.

EXTERNAL SECTOR INDICATORS

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2007	VIII	2008	2007	IX	2008	2007	X	2008*
Gross External Debt¹																
Gross external debt, Euro million ²	11934.9	10768.9	10640.6	12658.5	15506.9	20629.0	28854.3	25564.4	34872.6	26013.6	35579.2	26673.8				
Public Sector External Debt, Euro million ³	9698.5	7960.6	7047.9	6585.2	5197.6	4554.6	4091.6	4202.2	3952.9	4106.7	3975.8	4104.7				
Private Sector External Debt, Euro million ⁴	2236.5	2808.3	3592.7	6073.2	10309.3	16074.4	24762.7	21362.2	30919.8	21907.0	31603.4	22569.1				
Gross External Debt (% GDP) ⁵	78.6	65.0	60.1	63.8	70.9	81.7	99.8	88.5	102.5	90.0	104.6	92.3				
Public Sector External Debt (% GDP)	63.8	48.1	39.8	33.2	23.8	18.0	14.2	14.5	11.6	14.2	11.7	14.2				
Private Sector External Debt (% GDP)	14.7	17.0	20.3	30.6	47.1	63.7	85.7	73.9	90.9	75.8	92.9	78.1				
Gross External Debt (% of exports of GNFS) ⁶	147.4	126.1	112.5	111.6	119.0	127.4	159.1									
Short term debt/Gross external debt (%)	9.1	14.1	14.3	19.3	25.4	30.4	33.7	30.6	36.9	32.0	37.4	32.1				
Short term debt (% GDP)	7.2	9.1	8.6	12.3	18.0	24.8	33.7	27.1	37.9	28.8	39.2	29.7				
Gross External Debt Service¹																
Gross External Debt Service, Euro million ⁷	1684.5	1403.1	1333.4	2621.1	6028.0	4708.6	6420.7	4304.2	4488.2	5118.6	4906.6	5547.3				
Principal, Euro million	1099.4	1026.6	966.6	2271.2	5635.9	4238.0	5785.9	3863.5	4053.2	4630.9	4424.1	5011.6				
Interest, Euro million	585.1	376.6	366.8	349.8	392.1	470.6	634.8	440.8	435.0	487.7	482.5	535.7				
Public Sector Debt Service, Euro million ³	1355.6	995.6	737.2	1473.9	2429.0	1114.2	1195.8	899.0	777.9	981.3	830.2	1031.6				
Principal, Euro million	807.0	660.5	424.3	1182.9	2138.1	873.6	942.9	700.6	610.7	770.8	648.5	810.3				
Interest, Euro million	548.6	335.1	312.9	291.0	290.9	240.6	252.9	198.4	167.2	210.4	181.7	221.3				
Private Sector Debt Service, Euro million ⁴	329.0	407.6	596.2	1147.2	3599.0	3594.4	5224.9	3405.2	3710.3	4137.4	4076.4	4515.6				
Principal, Euro million	292.4	366.1	542.2	1088.4	3497.9	3364.4	4843.0	3162.9	3442.6	3860.1	3775.6	4201.2				
Interest, Euro million	36.5	41.5	53.9	58.8	101.2	23.0	381.9	242.3	267.8	277.2	300.8	314.4				
Gross External Debt service (% of GDP)	11.1	8.5	7.5	13.2	27.5	18.7	22.2	14.9	13.2	17.7	14.4	19.2				
Gross External Debt Service (% of exports of GNFS)	20.8	16.4	14.1	23.1	46.3	29.1	35.4	36.0	31.3	37.5	30.1	36.4				
Balance of Payments (year to date)¹																
(in millions Euro)																
Current Account	-855.2	-402.5	-972.3	-1306.9	-2705.7	-450.18	-6303.4	-3358.4	-4960.4	-3900.2	-5524.6	-4610.3				
Trade Balance ⁸	-1778.3	-1878.0	-2425.6	-2953.5	-4409.7	-5562.3	-7302.8	-4374.2	-5752.4	-4979.0	-6451.6	-5688.8	-6588.8			
Exports, f.o.b.	5714.2	6062.9	6668.2	7984.9	9466.3	12011.9	13511.9	8630.4	10561.3	9829.6	11964.4	11134.5	13241.3			
Exports, f.o.b. (yoy percentage change)	8.8	6.1	10.0	19.7	18.6	26.9	12.5	9.6	22.4	10.1	21.7	11.5	18.9			
Imports, f.o.b.	7492.6	7940.9	9093.8	10938.4	13876.1	17574.1	20814.7	13004.5	16313.7	14808.6	18416.0	16823.3	20641.3			
Imports, f.o.b. (yoy percentage change)	14.7	6.0	14.5	20.3	26.9	26.7	18.4	17.3	25.4	18.0	24.4	18.4	22.7			
Current and Capital Account	-855.3	-402.6	-972.5	-1143.5	-2470.2	-4321.8	-5947.2	-3249.6	-4731.9	-3761.9	-5288.4	-4448.7	-6347.2			
Capital and Financial Account	754.9	1842.8	2324.9	2458.3	4213.6	7142.6	10983.6	6253.1	8560.9	8053.3	9711.1	9042.4	10188.0			
Financial Account (in millions Euro)	755.0	1842.9	2325.1	2294.9	3978.1	6962.6	10627.4	6144.4	8332.5	7915.0	9474.9	8880.9	9946.5			
Foreign Direct Investment ⁹	903.4	980.0	1880.5	2735.9	3152.1	6005.6	6516.9	4154.1	4225.3	4715.2	4622.4	5364.2	4867.8			
FDI/ CA deficit (%)	105.6	243.5	190.3	209.3	116.5	133.4	103.4	123.7	85.2	120.9	83.7	116.4	73.9			
Portfolio Investment - Assets ¹⁰	-24.7	227.2	-69.2	-51.9	-72.5	-377.5	-128.3	-9.3	-308.1	54.1	-356.2	68.4	-238.0			
Portfolio Investment - Liabilities ¹⁰	118.8	-325.9	-121.8	-435.6	-1054.6	581.6	-389.1	-248.9	-126.0	-288.4	-242.6	-346.7	-266.9			
Other Investments - Assets ¹⁰	-116.8	331.8	228.8	-1366.7	-30.7	-2346.0	-418.4	-205.8	362.8	532.1	282.4	300.9				
Other Investments - Liabilities ¹⁰	-114.9	658.7	460.1	1897.0	1909.4	3235.7	5253.8	2586.6	4744.4	3218.7	5341.7	3666.7	5714.2			
(% of GDP)																
Current Account	-5.6	-2.4	-5.5	-6.6	-12.4	-17.8	-21.8	-11.6	-14.6	-13.5	-16.2	-19.4				
Trade Balance	-11.7	-13.7	-14.9	-20.2	-22.0	-25.3	-15.1	-16.9	-17.2	-19.0	-19.7	-21.8				
Exports, f.o.b.	37.6	36.6	37.7	40.2	43.3	47.6	46.8	29.9	31.0	34.0	35.2	38.9				
Imports, f.o.b.	49.3	47.9	51.4	55.1	63.4	69.6	72.0	45.0	48.0	51.2	54.1	58.2	60.7			
Services, net	2.2	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.0	4.3	3.6	4.1	3.5			
Travel balance	3.2	2.6	3.3	3.5	4.1	3.5	3.3	3.0	2.5	3.5	3.4	2.8				
Income balance	0.2	2.4	1.6	1.2	0.3	-2.1	-1.6	-0.8	-2.2	-1.3	-2.5	-1.3	-2.6			
Current Transfers balance	3.7	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.7	2.7	1.2	0.7	1.6	0.8	1.6	0.8	1.5			
Current and Capital Account	-5.6	-2.4	-5.5	-5.8	-11.3	-17.1	-20.6	-11.2	-13.9	-13.0	-15.5	-15.4	-18.7			

EXTERNAL SECTOR INDICATORS

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008 [*]	IX	X	2008*
Capital and Financial Account	5.0	11.1	13.1	12.4	19.3	28.3	38.0	21.6	25.2	27.9	28.5
Financial Account	5.0	11.1	13.1	11.6	18.2	27.6	36.8	21.3	24.5	27.4	27.8
FDI	5.9	5.9	10.5	13.8	14.4	23.8	22.6	14.4	12.4	16.3	13.6
Portfolio Investment - Assets	-0.2	1.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-1.5	-0.4	0.0	-0.9	0.2	-1.0
Portfolio Investment - Liabilities	0.8	-2.0	-0.7	-2.2	-4.8	2.3	-1.3	-0.9	-0.4	-1.0	-1.2
Other Investment - Assets	-0.8	2.0	1.3	-6.9	-0.1	-9.3	-1.4	-0.7	0.6	1.3	1.0
Other Investment - Liabilities	-0.8	4.0	2.6	9.6	8.7	12.8	18.2	9.0	13.9	11.1	15.7
Other indicators¹¹											
Gross External Assets (in million Euro) ¹²	6870.9	6896.1	7203.3	9482.3	10689.4	14146.7	17026.8	15084.1	19220.6	15705.5	19268.9
BNB reserve assets (in million Euro) ¹³	4061.2	4574.8	5308.6	6770.4	7370.3	8926.4	11936.6	10326.3	14377.1	11705.3	14722.0
CB foreign assets (in million Euro)	2385.3	1944.5	1535.2	2288.4	2773.2	4227.1	4026.3	3881.9	4020.8	3124.2	3724.1
Nonfinancial sector deposits abroad (in million Euro) ¹⁴	424.4	376.8	359.5	423.6	545.9	993.2	1063.8	876.0	822.8	876.0	876.0
Net External Debt (in million Euro) ¹⁵	5064.0	3872.8	3437.3	3176.1	4817.5	6482.3	11827.4	10480.3	15652.0	10308.2	16310.3
Net External Debt (% GDP)	33.3	23.4	19.4	16.0	22.0	25.7	40.9	36.3	46.0	35.7	47.9
BNB reserve assets in months of GNFS imports	5.2	5.6	5.7	6.0	5.3	5.1	5.9	5.4	6.0	6.1	6.2
BNB reserve assets/ Short term debt	373.4	301.9	348.1	277.3	187.4	142.5	122.6	132.0	111.6	140.8	110.5
BNB reserve assets (%)/ FX deposits of population ¹⁶	190.3	196.8	213.6	257.9	221.3	206.9	202.1	206.2	208.7	232.8	211.2
Nominal effective exchange rate (index June 1997=100) ¹⁷	117.1	121.6	126.8	127.9	124.1	126.4	127.5	126.5	127.6	126.8	127.5
Real effective exchange rate (index June 1997=100), e.o.p. ¹⁸	126.8	131.4	140.0	141.7	141.5	149.0	162.0	157.3	167.0	158.9	168.1

* The indicators, for the calculation of which external debt data are used, are published with the external debt data for the reporting period.

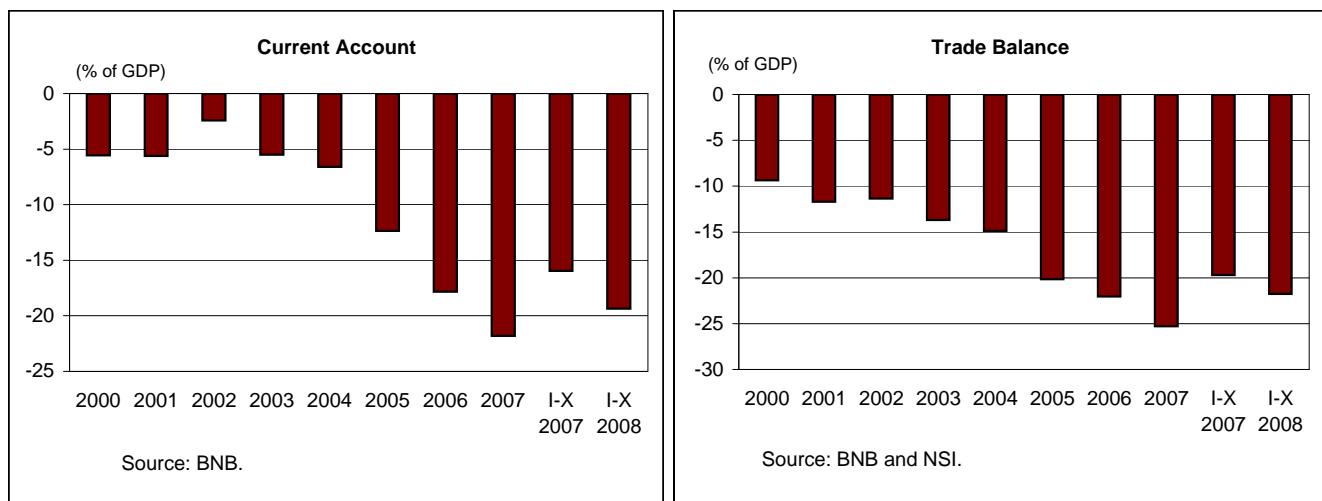
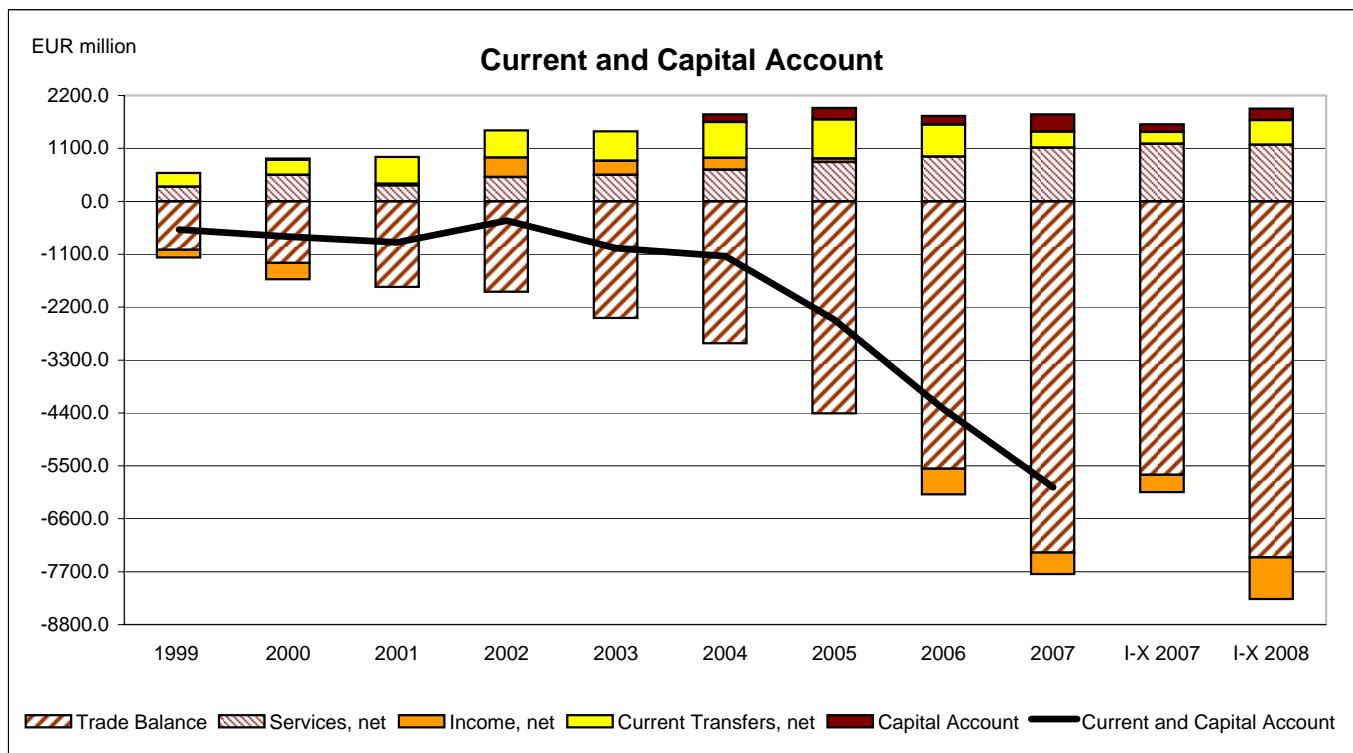
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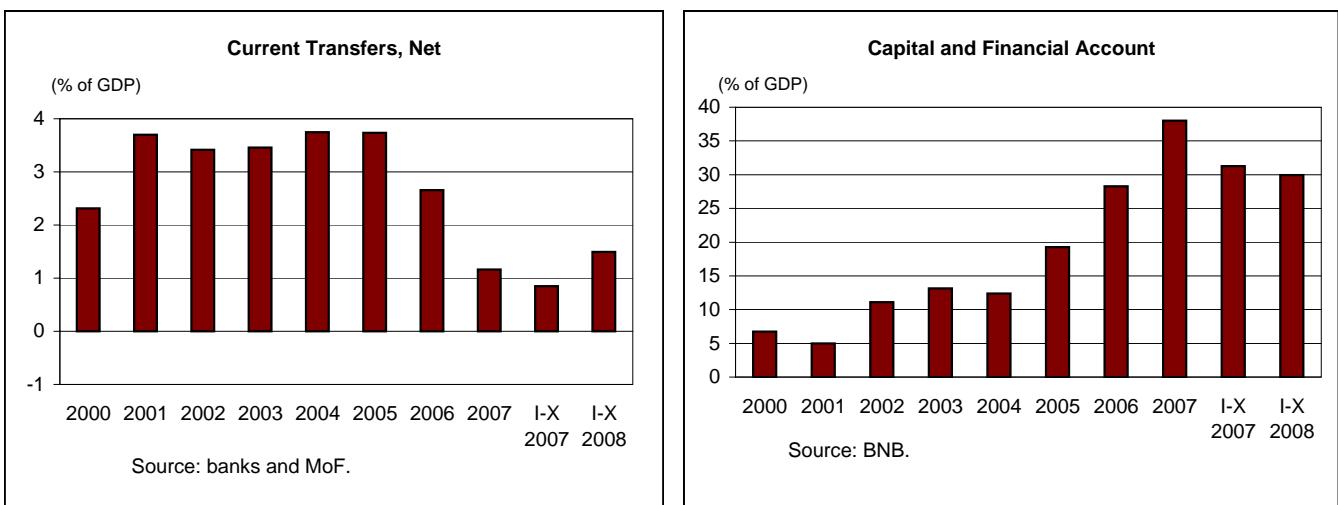
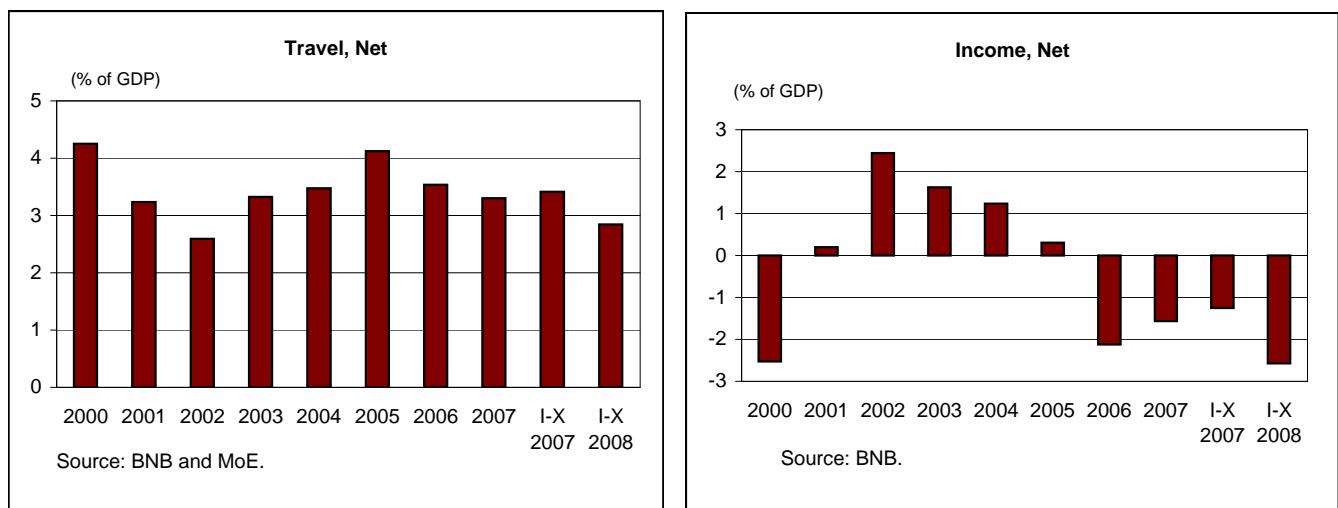
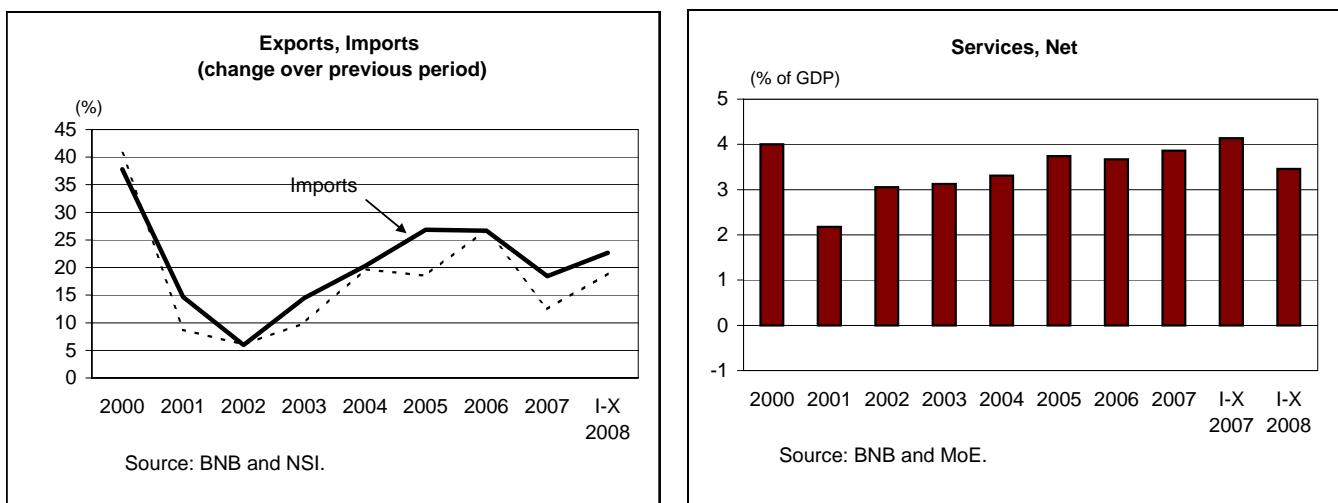
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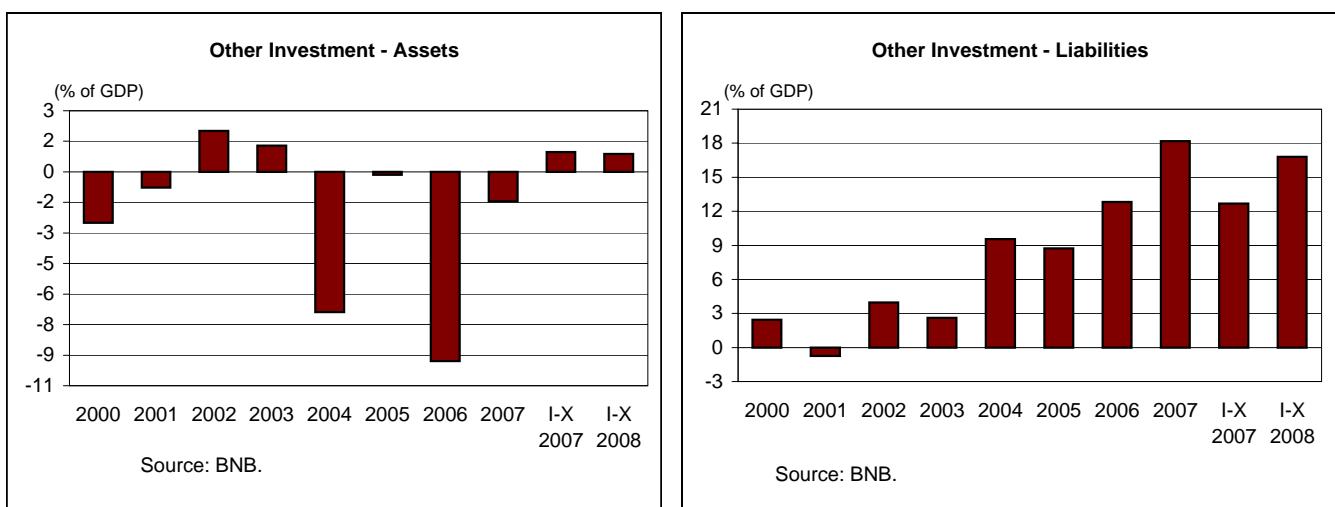
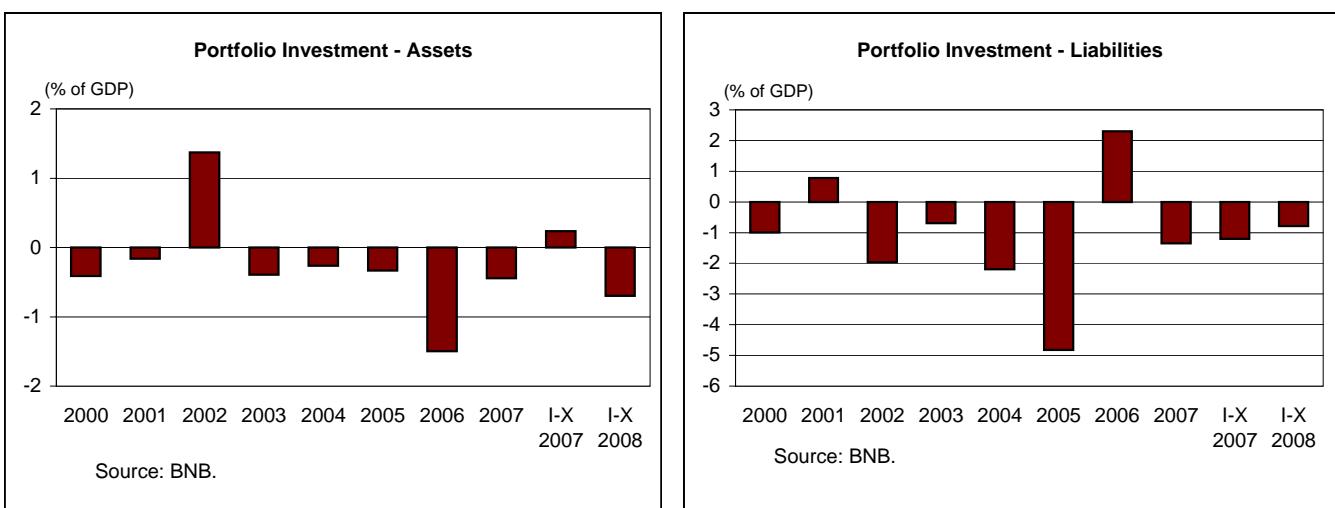
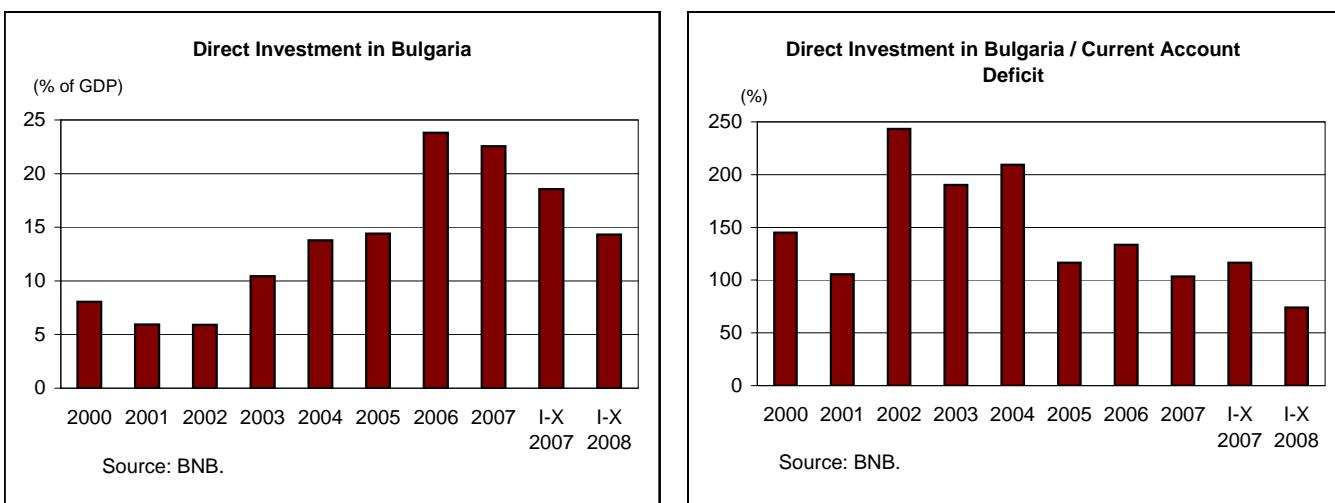
^{3/} Sources: Ministry of Finance, Bulgarian National Bank, banks, local companies.^{4/} Sources: banks, local companies.^{5/} In the calculation of the indicators in which gross domestic product (GDP) is included the following data are used: GDP for 2007 (preliminary NSI data) - Euro 28,988 million and GDP for 2008 estimated at Euro 34,022 million.^{6/} Goods and non-factor services. The indicator is calculated on an annual basis.^{7/} Actual payments. The Euro equivalent is calculated using the monthly average exchange rates of the respective foreign currencies. Payments on revolving credits are not included.^{8/} Preliminary data for 2007. For 2008 preliminary NSI data as of 8 December 2008, which include data from the system INTRASTAT for the EU member states and from customs declarations for non-EU countries.^{9/} Data are provided by direct investment companies reporting to the BNB, by the Agency for Privatization, the NSI, the Central Depository and the banks.^{10/} A negative sign (-) denotes an increase in assets and a decrease in liabilities and a positive sign (+) denotes a decrease in assets and an increase in liabilities. Including Financial Derivatives.^{11/} Data source for the monetary aggregates, banks' assets abroad and the forex deposits: Monetary Survey (October 2008).^{12/} Including BNB reserve assets, banks' assets abroad and nonfinancial sector deposits abroad.^{13/} Including monetary and non-monetary gold. Source: Issue Department.^{14/} Source: BIS International Banking Statistics. For 2008 the last published data (for June 2008) are used.^{15/} Difference between the amount of the Gross external debt and the amount of the Gross external assets.^{16/} Forex deposits of population and non-financial sector.^{17/} The index is for the reporting month.^{18/} CPI based index calculated for the reporting month.

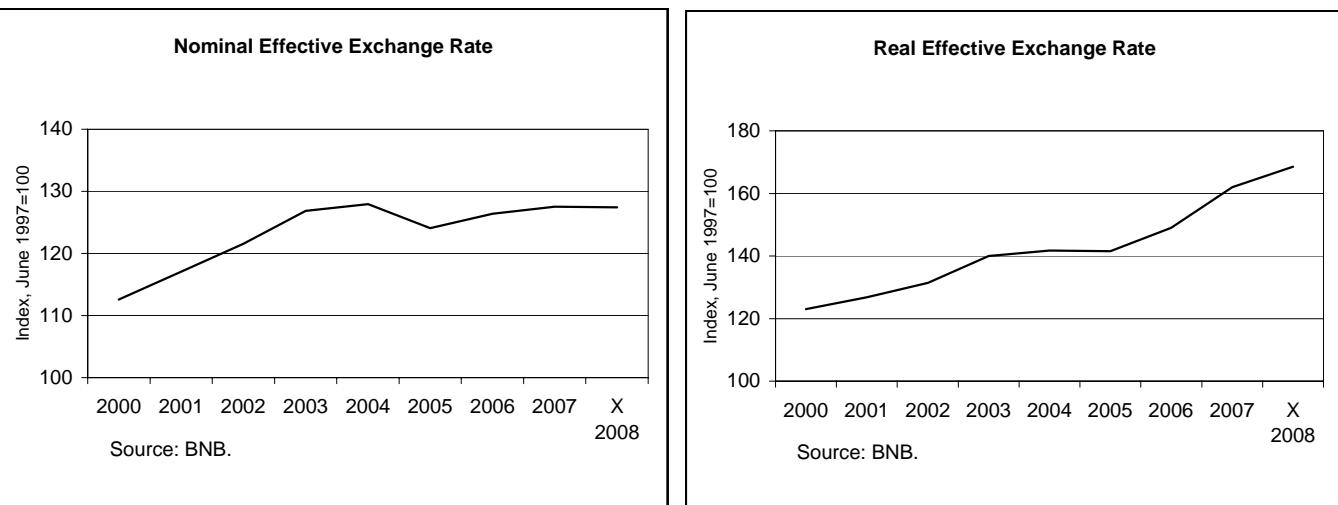
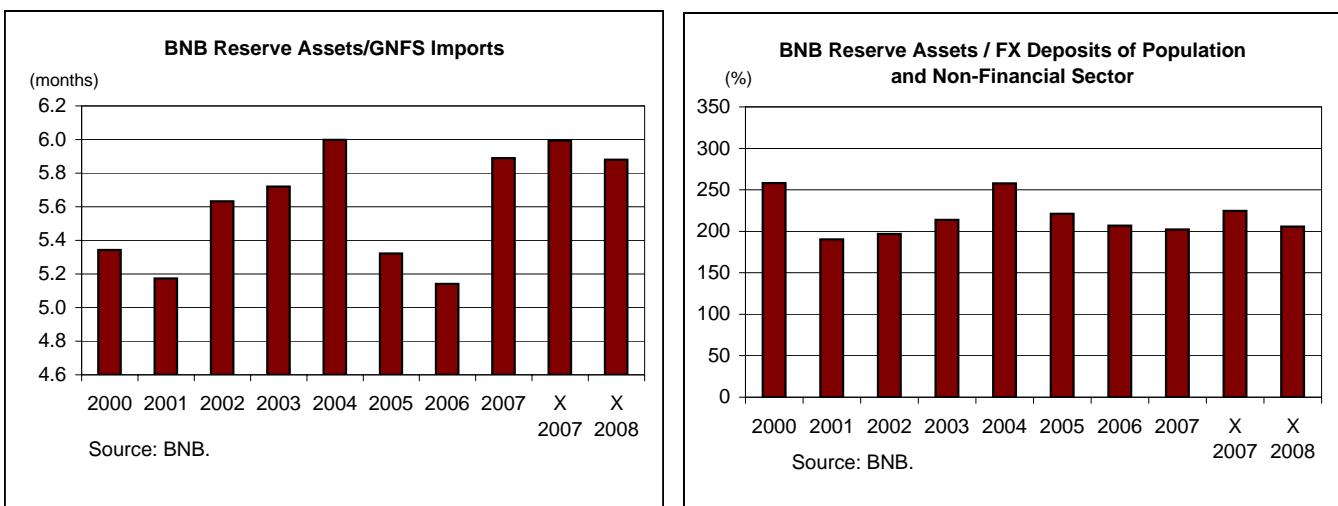
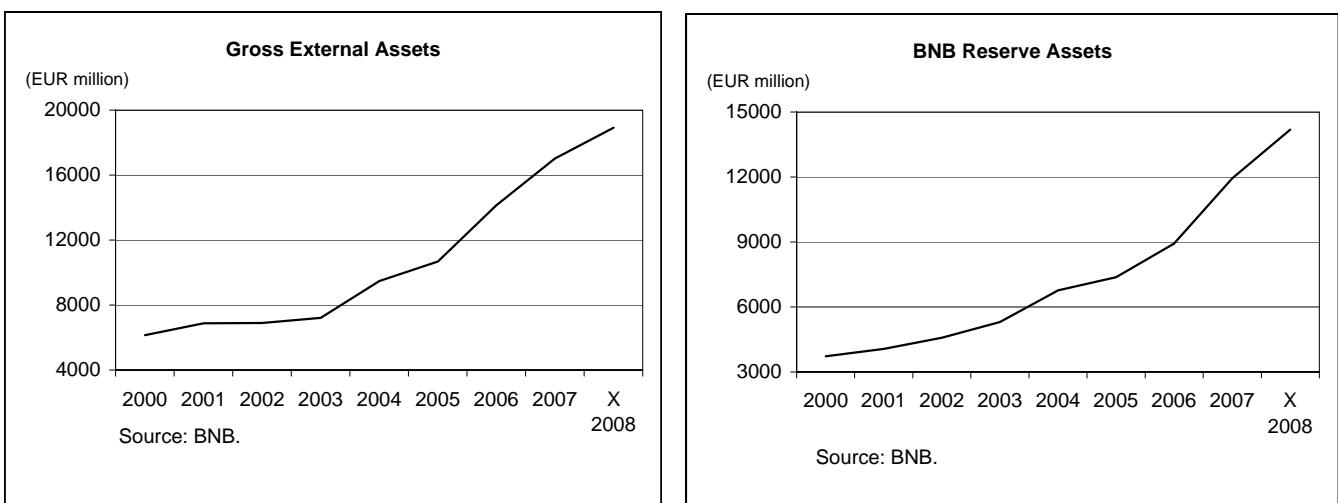
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External Sector Indicators









EXTERNAL TRADE

EXTERNAL TRADE OF BULGARIA¹

January – September 2008

Exports

In January – September 2008 the exports (FOB) amounted to EUR 11,964.4 million compared to EUR 9,829.6 million for the same period in 2007, which is an increase of EUR 2,134.7 million (21.7%).

End Use

- The main contribution to the exports growth in January – September 2008 yoy was due to groups *Petroleum Products* (an increase of EUR 527.6 million, 44.6%), *Raw Materials for the Food Industry* (an increase of EUR 465.4 million, 155.4%) and *Non-Ferrous Metals* (an increase of EUR 289.6 million, 24.1%). The exports of *Machines and Equipment* increased yoy by EUR 165.4 million (34.7%).
- The exports of the following groups decreased yoy – *Clothing and Footwear* by EUR 72.2 million (6.2%), *Textiles* by EUR 20 million (5.2%) and *Wood Products, Paper and Paperboard* – by EUR 25.8 million (10.9%).

Main Trade Partners and Regions

- Exports to the European Union increased yoy by EUR 1,023.1 million (16.8%), and their share in the total exports decreased from 62.1% in January – September 2007 to 59.6% for the same period in 2008.
- The relative share of exports to the EU-15² member countries amounted to 46.7% in January – September 2008 compared to 51% for the same period in 2007. The decrease of exports share was also on account of Italy, Germany, the UK and Belgium.
- The highest growth of exports yoy was that to Romania – an increase of EUR 353.9 million (78.2%) and to Greece – an increase of EUR 303.3 million (33.6%).
- The exports to Russia increased by EUR 137.7 million (59.4%) and to United Arab Emirates – by EUR 131 million. The exports to the USA decreased by 22.9% (EUR 53.8 million) and to Italy – by 5.5% (EUR 58 million).
- The greatest share in total exports was held by the exports to Greece (10.1% of total exports, EUR 1,206.9 million) followed by the exports to Turkey (9.6% of total exports, EUR 1,152 million).

For the purposes of consistency with the BNB statistical series on imports and exports of goods by *Main Trade Partners and Regions* the external trade statistics data are classified according to the following criteria for trade partners: imports (*CIF*) – by country of origin; exports (*FOB*) – by country of

¹ With the introduction of the INTRASTAT system at the beginning of 2007 changes have occurred in the reporting of external trade of Bulgaria with the rest of the EU member states (see methodological notes). The BNB receives from the NSI detailed data on dispatches and arrivals of goods within 60 days after the close of the reporting month. As a result, the part *External Trade of Bulgaria* of the issue *Balance of Payments of Bulgaria* covers a reporting period shorter by one month than that of the balance of payments.

² Includes the EU member countries prior to May 1, 2004.

consignment. The division of the EU member states into the groups *EU-15* and *EU – New Member States* is in accordance with the practice and requirements of EUROSTAT and the ECB.

Imports (CIF)

The imports (*CIF*) in January – September 2008 amounted to EUR 19,352.1 million compared to EUR 15,552.7 million for the same period in 2007, which is an increase of EUR 3,799.4 million (24.4%).

End Use

- The main contribution to the imports (*CIF*) growth in the period January – September 2008 yoy was due to the group *Crude Oil and Natural Gas* (an increase of EUR 1093.1 million, 45.8%). An increase in imports was registered also by the following groups – *Vehicles* (an increase of EUR 263.2 million, 26.1%), *Iron and Steel* (an increase of EUR 322.3 million, 40.6%), *Machines and Equipment* (an increase of EUR 239.8 million, 15.4%) and *Food, Drinks and Tobacco* (an increase of EUR 219.6 million, 40.2%). The imports of *Raw Materials for the Food Industry* increased yoy by EUR 113.3 million (46.2%).
- Imports of the following groups decreased yoy – *Textiles* (EUR 91.3 million, 9%), *Other Fuels* (EUR 33.4 million, 45.6%) and *Ores* (EUR 16.7 million, 2.2%).

Main Trade Partners and Regions

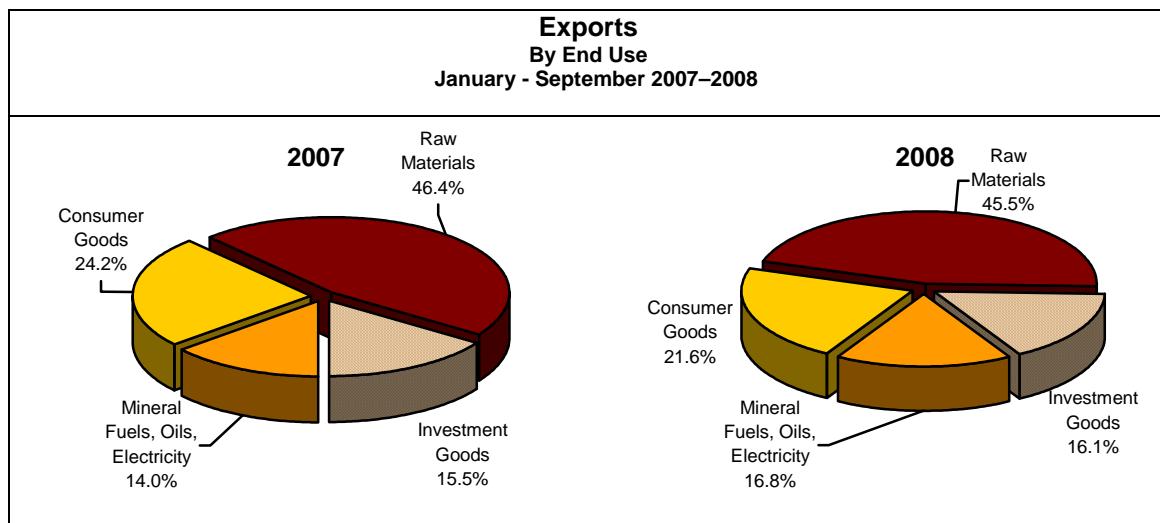
- The imports from the EU increased yoy by EUR 2084.6 million (25.9%), and their share in total imports increased from 51.7% in January – September 2007 to 52.3% for the same period in 2008.
- The share of imports from the EU-15³ decreased from 41% in January – September 2007 to 39.1% for the same period in 2008. The decrease of imports share was also on account of Italy, Germany, Greece and Spain.
- The highest yoy increase of imports was that from Russia (by EUR 910.4 million, 33.7%).
- Strongly increased also the imports from Romania (by EUR 441.4 million, 78.5%), from Germany (by EUR 371.1 million, 20.8%) and from Ukraine (by EUR 301 million, 81.5%).
- The highest share in total imports (*CIF*) was that of the imports from Russia (18.6% of total imports, EUR 3,608.7 million), followed by that from Germany (11.1% of total imports, EUR 2,155.5 million).

³ Includes the EU member countries prior to May 1, 2004.
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Contribution to the Change of Total Exports and Total Imports
(By End Use)

Exports (by End Use)	Share (%) 2007	Contribution to the Change of Total Exports (compared to the corresponding period of the previous year) (p.p.)			
		September		January – September	
		2007	2008	2007	2008
Consumer Goods	24.2	1.1	3.6	2.3	2.1
Raw Materials	46.4	3.9	5.2	6.6	9.0
Investment Goods	15.5	3.8	3.5	2.3	4.1
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	14.0	5.3	4.7	-1.1	6.4
TOTAL EXPORTS, FOB	100.0	14.2	17.0	10.1	21.7

Source: BNB, NSI.

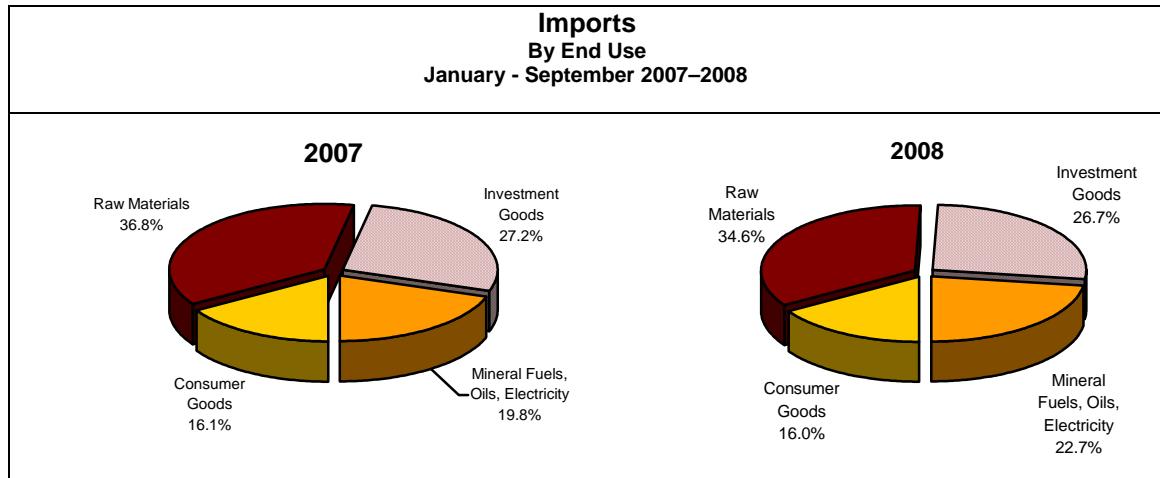


Source: BNB, NSI.

Imports (by End Use)	Share (%) 2007	Contribution to the Change of Total Imports ¹ (compared to the corresponding period of the previous year) (p.p.)			
		September		January – September	
		2007	2008	2007	2008
Consumer Goods	16.1	5.3	5.0	4.7	3.9
Raw Materials	36.8	4.6	4.2	7.0	6.2
Investment Goods	27.2	9.7	2.9	6.6	5.9
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	19.8	3.5	4.3	0.0	8.4
TOTAL IMPORTS, CIF	100.0	22.9	16.4	17.8	24.4

¹ The differences between the item Total and the listed sub-items are due to the non-classified (by the Customs Agency) imports by goods type.

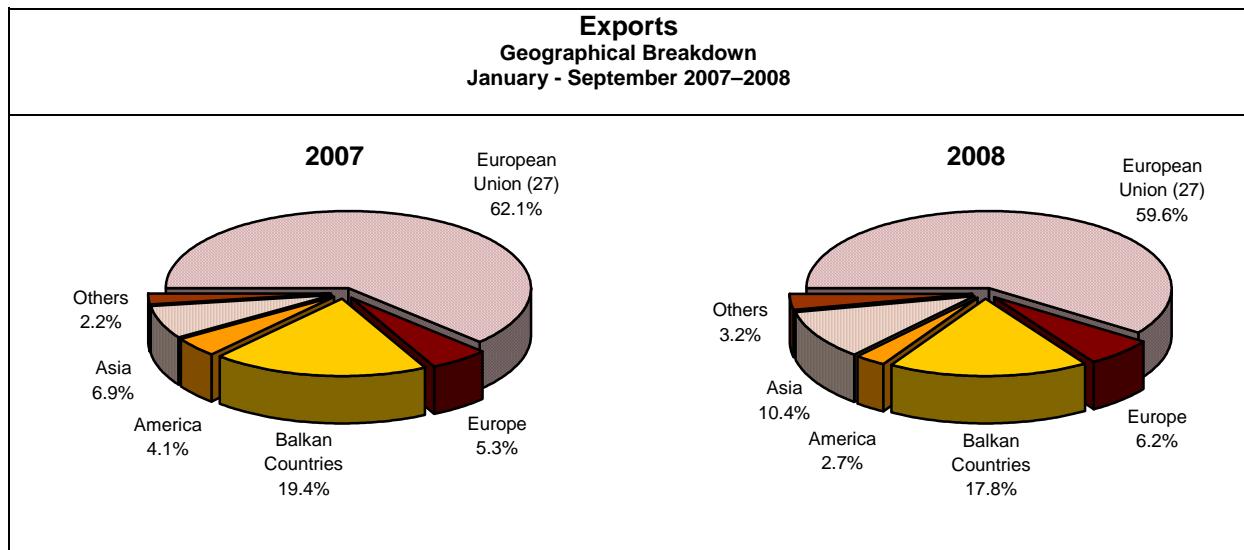
Source: BNB, NSI.



Contribution to the Change of Total Exports
(By Regions)

Exports (by Regions)	Share (%) 2007	Contribution to the Change of Total Exports (compared to the corresponding period of the previous year) (p.p.)			
		September		January – September	
		2007	2008	2007	2008
European Union (27)	62.1	6.2	8.2	7.3	10.4
European Union (15)	51.0	3.3	3.0	5.5	5.8
Italy	10.8	2.0	-1.7	1.6	-0.6
Belgium	6.6	0.5	-2.7	0.7	1.0
Germany	10.7	0.9	1.3	2.0	0.3
EU – New Member States	11.2	2.9	5.2	1.8	4.6
Romania	4.6	1.7	4.2	0.9	3.6
Poland	1.6	-0.4	1.1	0.2	0.8
Hungary	1.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.0
Europe	5.3	2.9	3.5	2.1	2.3
Russia	2.4	1.8	0.4	1.2	1.4
Ukraine	1.3	0.4	1.9	0.8	0.1
Balkan Countries	19.4	3.2	-2.2	0.9	2.2
Turkey	11.3	0.8	-2.1	1.2	0.4
Serbia	4.3	1.9	0.4	1.2	1.1
America	4.1	-0.7	1.3	0.3	-0.7
USA	2.4	-0.6	0.8	-0.4	-0.5
Asia	6.9	2.1	5.3	-0.5	5.8
Georgia	1.0	0.9	-0.9	0.5	0.6
Others	2.2	0.5	0.9	0.1	1.8
TOTAL EXPORTS, FOB	100.0	14.2	17.0	10.1	21.7

Source: BNB, NSI.

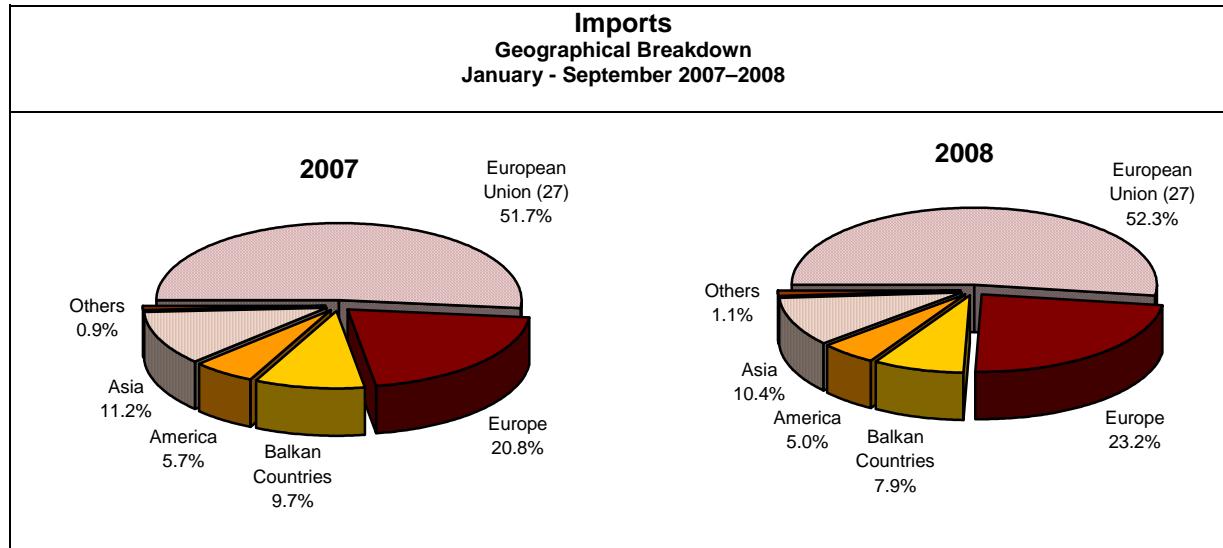


Source: BNB, NSI.

Contribution to the Change of Total Imports
(By Regions)

Imports (by Regions)	Share (%) 2007	Contribution to the Change of Total Imports (compared to the corresponding period of the previous year) (p.p.)			
		September		January – September	
		2007	2008	2007	2008
European Union (27)	51.7	12.5	18.8	10.5	13.4
European Union (15)	41.0	8.2	12.3	7.6	7.6
Germany	11.5	1.6	3.4	1.3	2.4
Italy	8.6	1.8	2.2	1.7	0.9
Greece	5.3	1.3	1.5	1.0	1.0
EU – New Member States	10.8	4.3	6.5	2.9	5.8
Romania	3.6	1.6	2.9	0.4	2.8
Czech Republic	1.6	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.9
Poland	2.1	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6
Hungary	2.0	1.3	1.1	1.2	0.8
Europe	20.8	5.6	-2.8	1.3	8.1
Russia	17.3	6.0	-3.9	1.7	5.9
Ukraine	2.4	-0.5	1.2	-0.4	1.9
Balkan Countries	9.7	4.5	-1.0	3.6	0.2
Turkey	7.1	3.9	-1.2	2.5	-0.2
Serbia	0.8	-0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1
Macedonia	1.3	0.8	0.1	0.9	0.2
America	5.7	-3.3	-2.0	-0.5	0.5
USA	1.8	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2
Asia	11.2	3.9	3.5	3.1	1.8
China	5.0	2.0	-0.7	1.9	0.0
Others	0.9	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	0.5
TOTAL IMPORTS, C/F	100.0	22.9	16.4	17.8	24.4

Source: BNB, NSI.



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TABLES

Commodity groups	January - December												February			March		
	January			December			January			February			mill. EUR			mill. EUR		
	2006	2007	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008
Consumer goods	2948.0	3250.0	302.0	10.2%	221.4	258.7	37.3	16.9%	250.0	308.6	58.6	23.4%	290.2	288.7	-1.4	-0.5%		
Food	430.8	515.0	84.3	19.6%	29.0	40.1	11.1	38.3%	35.1	45.7	10.6	30.1%	41.3	48.9	7.5	18.3%		
Tobacco	17.3	32.4	15.1	87.7%	1.5	2.2	0.8	51.4%	1.8	2.7	0.9	48.4%	2.3	0.0	-1.6%			
Beverages	90.0	110.2	20.2	22.5%	6.1	6.1	0.0	0.1%	6.6	8.1	1.6	23.6%	8.7	9.1	0.4	4.9%		
Clothing and footwear	1610.9	1522.3	-88.6	-5.5%	123.6	125.7	2.1	1.7%	133.0	144.6	11.6	8.7%	143.5	120.7	-22.8	-15.9%		
Medicines and cosmetics	180.1	288.7	108.6	60.3%	10.8	19.9	9.1	82.7%	17.2	32.8	15.6	90.3%	26.2	29.5	3.2	12.3%		
Furniture and household appliances	362.1	468.9	106.8	29.5%	31.4	36.4	5.0	15.9%	34.6	43.2	8.6	24.9%	42.7	44.2	1.5	3.5%		
Others	257.0	312.4	55.4	21.6%	18.9	28.2	9.3	49.3%	21.6	31.4	9.8	45.2%	25.4	34.0	8.7	34.2%		
Raw materials	5465.7	6105.3	639.6	11.7%	433.9	523.0	89.1	20.5%	441.7	559.5	117.9	26.7%	504.9	617.4	112.5	22.3%		
Iron and steel	885.5	1013.0	127.5	14.4%	60.6	89.0	19.5	28.0%	80.4	73.9	6.6	8.2%	82.8	79.0	-3.8	-4.6%		
Non-ferrous metals	1703.8	1641.5	-62.2	-3.7%	116.3	155.1	38.7	33.3%	118.6	174.3	55.7	47.0%	138.0	213.0	74.9	54.3%		
Chemicals	301.7	396.8	95.1	31.5%	34.4	37.6	3.1	9.0%	22.9	31.3	8.4	36.5%	39.0	43.3	4.3	10.9%		
Plastics and rubber	313.9	377.8	63.9	20.4%	25.8	31.8	6.1	23.6%	26.2	30.3	4.1	15.6%	31.3	32.4	1.0	3.2%		
Fertilizers	64.5	91.7	27.2	42.2%	1.7	5.4	3.7	220.5%	3.4	8.3	4.9	142.1%	9.1	17.2	8.1	89.7%		
Textiles	360.9	506.5	145.6	40.3%	42.1	42.8	0.7	1.6%	41.1	44.2	3.2	7.7%	46.6	41.1	-5.4	-11.7%		
Raw materials for the food industry	413.7	406.0	-7.7	-1.9%	30.2	34.6	4.5	14.9%	31.7	48.7	17.0	53.6%	27.5	58.4	30.9	112.3%		
Wood products, paper and paperboard	238.6	299.1	60.6	25.4%	17.5	19.5	2.0	11.3%	21.0	22.8	1.8	8.4%	24.4	25.0	0.6	2.4%		
Cement	19.8	16.6	-3.2	-15.9%	0.4	2.3	1.9	428.0%	1.4	0.7	-0.7	-51.4%	1.1	0.9	-0.2	-17.1%		
Raw tobacco	74.2	102.0	27.8	37.4%	10.1	16.2	6.1	60.8%	6.2	9.9	3.7	59.0%	6.8	5.4	-1.3	-19.9%		
Others	1089.2	1254.2	165.0	15.2%	85.8	88.6	2.8	3.3%	88.6	115.1	26.5	29.9%	98.2	101.7	3.5	3.5%		
Investment goods	1738.8	2160.8	421.9	24.3%	142.9	176.4	33.5	23.4%	147.6	226.6	79.0	53.5%	189.6	202.8	13.2	6.9%		
Machines and equipment	490.0	697.4	207.4	42.3%	43.2	53.5	10.3	23.9%	45.7	71.9	26.2	57.2%	59.1	67.5	8.4	14.2%		
Electrical machines	149.4	215.1	65.7	44.0%	13.6	17.3	3.7	26.9%	15.6	20.2	4.6	29.4%	16.7	17.2	0.5	3.0%		
Vehicles	260.7	172.2	-88.5	-34.2%	15.1	3.7	-11.5	-75.8%	6.9	16.6	9.7	140.3%	27.7	14.0	-13.8	-49.7%		
Spare parts and equipment	404.5	510.4	105.9	26.2%	35.6	49.2	13.6	38.2%	37.5	55.9	18.4	49.1%	42.1	48.3	6.2	14.7%		
Others	434.2	565.7	131.5	30.3%	35.4	52.8	17.4	49.2%	41.9	62.0	20.1	48.0%	43.9	55.8	11.9	27.0%		
Total non energy commodities	10152.5	11516.1	1363.5	13.4%	798.2	958.0	159.9	20.0%	839.3	1094.8	255.5	30.4%	984.7	1108.9	124.2	12.6%		
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	1859.3	1995.8	136.5	7.3%	70.9	156.5	85.6	120.7%	66.8	117.3	50.6	75.8%	140.1	213.1	73.0	52.1%		
Petroleum products	1589.2	1721.9	132.7	8.4%	57.9	140.1	82.2	141.9%	58.6	105.8	47.2	80.7%	126.4	187.0	60.7	48.0%		
Others	270.1	273.9	3.8	1.4%	13.0	16.4	3.4	26.5%	8.2	11.6	3.4	40.9%	13.7	26.1	12.3	89.8%		
Other Exports ¹⁾	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%		
TOTAL EXPORTS /FOR/	12011.9	13511.9	1500.0	12.5%	869.1	1114.6	245.5	28.2%	906.1	1212.1	306.1	33.8%	1124.8	1322.0	197.2	17.5%		

1/ Includes information on exports of goods not elsewhere classified.

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Tab.1

Commodity groups	Q II			July			August			September		
	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %
Consumer goods	777.7	843.2	65.6	8.4%	290.4	304.7	14.3	4.9%	274.7	263.9	-10.8	-3.9%
Food	116.2	146.4	30.2	26.0%	39.7	44.9	5.2	13.2%	41.5	45.2	3.7	8.8%
Tobacco	6.9	9.5	2.5	36.7%	3.4	3.0	-0.3	-10.3%	3.8	3.1	-0.7	-17.9%
Beverages	28.9	32.3	3.4	11.9%	10.0	10.9	1.0	9.7%	10.2	9.3	-0.9	-9.2%
Clothing and footwear	369.1	341.1	-28.0	-7.6%	143.7	134.4	-9.3	-6.5%	131.2	111.3	-19.9	-15.2%
Medicines and cosmetics	69.8	77.8	8.0	11.5%	25.8	26.1	0.4	1.4%	22.9	24.2	1.2	5.4%
Furniture and household appliances	114.4	141.6	27.2	23.8%	41.2	51.3	10.1	24.4%	37.1	38.7	1.6	4.3%
Others	72.4	94.6	22.2	30.7%	26.7	34.0	7.3	27.4%	27.9	32.1	4.2	15.2%
Raw materials	1544.0	1825.9	281.9	18.3%	696.1	653.8	132.3	23.5%	520.8	614.6	93.8	18.0%
Iron and steel	305.1	310.2	5.1	1.7%	84.4	98.3	13.9	16.5%	88.6	79.5	-9.1	-10.3%
Non-ferrous metals	336.6	520.6	184.0	54.7%	178.0	163.8	-14.2	-8.0%	162.1	126.5	-35.6	-22.0%
Chemicals	96.8	109.8	13.0	13.4%	35.6	32.2	-3.4	-9.6%	33.8	38.6	4.8	14.2%
Plastics and rubber	94.1	95.0	0.9	1.0%	35.3	32.9	-2.3	-6.6%	34.0	29.9	-4.1	-12.0%
Fertilizers	33.4	56.4	23.0	69.1%	0.5	33.5	33.1	7320.2%	10.4	24.0	13.6	131.0%
Textiles	136.1	131.7	-4.4	-3.2%	48.9	45.3	-3.6	-7.4%	31.8	26.3	-5.5	-17.3%
Raw materials for the food industry	99.9	184.1	84.1	84.2%	36.5	139.9	103.4	283.2%	33.2	162.6	129.4	389.9%
Wood products, paper and paperboard	77.1	72.7	-4.4	-5.7%	25.9	23.1	-2.8	-10.8%	26.9	20.0	-6.9	-25.6%
Cement	3.5	6.6	3.0	86.1%	1.4	2.0	0.6	42.2%	1.9	1.3	-0.6	-31.0%
Raw tobacco	13.5	19.7	6.2	45.7%	5.1	7.0	1.9	37.9%	3.6	10.7	7.1	198.9%
Others	347.9	319.2	-28.6	-8.2%	112.2	118.1	5.8	5.2%	94.6	95.2	0.6	0.6%
Investment goods	502.0	689.6	187.5	37.4%	181.5	237.2	55.7	30.7%	177.9	172.1	-5.8	-3.3%
Machines and equipment	159.4	245.1	85.7	53.8%	60.9	94.4	33.5	54.9%	51.4	49.1	-2.3	-4.5%
Electrical machines	54.9	59.7	4.9	8.9%	16.6	21.8	5.2	31.5%	17.7	24.4	6.7	38.0%
Vehicles	32.2	54.1	21.9	67.9%	6.3	10.8	4.5	72.2%	18.0	7.0	-10.9	-60.8%
Spare parts and equipment	123.0	143.7	20.7	16.8%	42.8	49.8	7.0	16.4%	42.0	40.8	-1.3	-3.0%
Others	132.6	186.9	54.3	41.0%	54.9	60.4	5.5	9.9%	48.8	50.8	2.0	4.1%
Total non energy commodities	2823.7	3358.7	535.0	18.9%	1035.7	1238.0	202.3	19.5%	973.3	1050.6	77.2	7.9%
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	518.9	729.3	210.4	40.5%	206.5	278.3	71.7	34.7%	172.2	257.7	85.5	49.6%
Petroleum products	448.5	625.2	176.7	39.4%	180.2	238.6	58.4	32.4%	142.7	201.5	58.9	41.3%
Others	70.5	104.1	33.7	47.8%	26.3	39.7	13.4	50.8%	29.6	56.2	26.6	90.0%
Other Exports ^{1/}	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
TOTAL EXPORTS FOB/	3342.6	4088.0	745.4	22.3%	1242.2	1516.3	274.1	22.1%	1145.6	1308.3	162.7	14.2%
											1199.2	1403.1
												203.8
												17.0%

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Commodity groups	Q III			2007			January - September			
	2007	2008	Change %	mill. EUR	share	mill. EUR	share	mill. EUR	share	Change %
Consumer goods	839,8	887,0	5,6%	2379,0	24,2%	2586,3	21,6%	207,2	8,7%	
Food	130,1	158,5	21,8%	351,8	3,6%	439,6	3,7%	87,8	25,0%	
Tobacco	10,3	9,5	-7,8%	22,8	0,2%	26,2	0,2%	3,3	14,6%	
Beverages	29,5	29,6	0,1	5,0%	79,7	0,8%	85,3	0,7%	5,6	7,0%
Clothing and footwear	393,7	358,6	-10,3%	-8,9%	1163,0	11,8%	1090,7	9,1%	-72,2	-6,2%
Medicines and cosmetics	74,1	83,4	9,3	12,6%	198,1	2,0%	243,4	2,0%	45,2	22,8%
Furniture and household appliances	120,7	149,9	29,2	24,2%	343,8	3,5%	415,4	3,5%	71,5	20,8%
Others	81,5	97,5	16,0	19,7%	219,7	2,2%	285,7	2,4%	66,0	30,0%
Raw materials	1632,2	1920,5	17,7%	4556,7	46,4%	5446,2	45,5%	889,5	19,5%	
Iron and steel	260,3	247,2	-13,1	-5,0%	798,3	8,1%	799,3	6,7%	1,0	0,1%
Non-ferrous metals	490,1	426,4	-63,7	-13,0%	1199,6	12,2%	1489,3	12,4%	289,6	24,1%
Chemicals	105,8	102,6	-3,3	-3,1%	299,0	3,0%	324,5	2,7%	25,5	8,5%
Plastics and rubber	102,0	90,3	-11,7	-11,5%	279,5	2,8%	279,8	2,3%	0,4	0,1%
Fertilizers	16,5	67,3	50,8	307,5%	64,1	0,7%	154,7	1,3%	90,6	141,4%
Textiles	118,7	104,7	-14,0	-11,8%	384,6	3,9%	364,6	3,0%	-20,0	-5,2%
Raw materials for the food industry	110,1	439,0	328,9	298,7%	299,4	3,0%	764,8	6,4%	465,4	155,4%
Wood products, paper and paperboard	97,4	71,8	-25,7	-26,3%	237,4	2,4%	211,6	1,8%	-25,8	-10,9%
Cement	4,8	4,6	-0,2	-4,3%	11,3	0,1%	15,1	0,1%	3,8	34,1%
Raw tobacco	17,4	35,4	18,0	103,5%	54,0	0,5%	86,6	0,7%	32,6	60,5%
Others	309,1	331,4	22,3	7,2%	929,5	9,5%	956,0	8,0%	26,4	2,8%
Investment goods	539,3	630,6	91,3	16,9%	1521,5	15,5%	1925,9	16,1%	404,5	26,6%
Machines and equipment	169,1	204,0	34,8	20,6%	476,5	4,8%	641,9	5,4%	165,4	34,7%
Electrical machines	52,0	67,9	15,9	30,7%	152,8	1,6%	182,3	1,5%	29,6	19,4%
Vehicles	34,5	43,6	9,1	26,4%	116,5	1,2%	132,0	1,1%	15,4	13,2%
Spare parts and equipment	128,1	146,7	18,6	14,5%	366,3	3,7%	443,7	3,7%	77,5	21,1%
Others	155,6	168,5	12,9	8,3%	409,4	4,2%	526,0	4,4%	116,6	28,5%
Total non energy commodities	3011,3	3438,1	426,7	14,2%	8457,2	86,0%	9958,4	83,2%	1501,2	17,8%
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	575,7	789,6	213,9	37,2%	1372,4	14,0%	2005,9	16,8%	633,5	46,2%
Petroleum products	490,7	651,5	160,8	32,8%	1182,0	12,0%	1709,6	14,3%	527,6	44,6%
Others	85,0	138,1	53,1	62,5%	190,4	1,9%	296,3	2,5%	105,9	55,6%
Other Exports ^{1/}	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0%	0,0	0,0%	0,0	0,0%	0,0	0,0%
TOTAL EXPORTS FOB/	3587,0	4227,7	640,6	17,9%	9829,6	100,0%	11964,4	100,0%	2134,7	21,7%

^{1/} Includes information on exports of goods not elsewhere classified.

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COMMODITY GROUPS *	January - December			January			January			February		
	mill. EUR 2006	2007 mill. EUR	Change %	2007 mill. EUR	2008 mill. EUR	Change %	2007 mill. EUR	2008 mill. EUR	Change %	2007 mill. EUR	2008 mill. EUR	Change %
Base metals and their products, including:												
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	1530.4	1354.6	-11.5%	93.2	133.1	39.9	42.8%	92.6	155.1	62.5	67.5%	
Division 72. Iron and steel	885.5	1013.0	127.5	14.4%	69.6	89.0	19.5	28.0%	80.4	73.9	-6.6	-8.2%
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	209.3	261.7	52.4	25.0%	18.4	20.1	1.7	9.2%	18.8	25.4	6.6	35.3%
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof	208.9	248.3	39.5	18.9%	20.2	20.5	0.3	1.5%	16.9	23.0	6.1	36.4%
Division 79. Zinc and articles thereof	207.0	241.4	34.4	16.6%	18.7	16.7	-2.0	-10.8%	25.3	16.5	-8.8	-34.7%
Division 78. Lead and articles thereof	69.8	132.1	62.3	89.3%	8.4	8.8	0.4	4.8%	7.5	7.9	0.4	5.5%
Mineral products and fuels, including:												
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	1859.3	1987.9	128.7	6.9%	70.6	156.0	85.4	121.0%	66.4	116.8	50.4	75.9%
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	206.1	196.1	-9.9	-4.8%	8.6	8.2	-0.4	-4.1%	12.0	30.7	18.7	156.8%
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:												
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance parts	737.1	1012.5	275.4	37.4%	65.3	80.1	14.8	22.7%	70.7	103.8	33.1	46.7%
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	560.2	748.7	188.5	33.7%	50.5	69.1	18.6	36.9%	52.4	77.1	24.8	47.3%
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	134.0	175.8	41.8	31.2%	13.5	17.4	3.9	29.2%	12.9	16.6	3.7	28.7%
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:												
Division 62. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories not knitted/crocheted	863.3	849.1	-14.1	-1.6%	72.4	73.2	0.8	1.0%	75.8	87.0	11.2	14.7%
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	584.0	618.2	34.3	5.9%	47.6	50.2	2.6	5.5%	52.9	54.5	1.6	3.0%
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, mattresses, support, cushion etc.	195.3	230.0	34.7	17.8%	17.1	18.0	1.0	5.7%	18.1	19.8	1.7	9.5%
Division 64. Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	208.1	180.0	-28.1	-13.5%	14.8	14.9	0.0	0.3%	15.5	16.0	0.5	3.2%
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:												
Division 10. Cereals	177.6	109.5	-68.1	-38.4%	10.8	4.4	-6.4	-59.1%	11.2	10.4	-0.8	-7.2%
Division 12. Oil seed oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grain, seed, fruit etc.	152.7	161.5	8.8	5.8%	12.3	19.4	7.1	57.5%	11.7	27.2	15.5	133.2%
Division 24. Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	91.5	134.4	42.9	46.9%	11.6	18.5	6.9	59.7%	8.0	12.6	4.6	56.6%
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:												
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	973.5	1302.9	329.5	33.8%	81.2	106.2	25.0	30.8%	79.7	113.3	33.5	42.0%
Division 29. Organic chemicals	256.0	309.7	53.7	21.0%	21.3	25.6	4.4	20.5%	20.9	24.4	3.5	17.0%
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	171.0	215.6	44.6	26.1%	14.4	21.8	7.4	51.7%	13.7	17.5	3.7	27.1%
Division 31. Fertilizers	98.5	188.8	90.3	91.6%	5.0	12.9	7.9	159.3%	9.9	23.7	13.8	131.1%
Division 28. Inorganic chemicals	64.5	91.7	27.2	42.2%	1.7	5.4	3.7	220.5%	3.4	8.3	4.9	142.1%
	137.2	194.4	57.2	41.7%	21.0	16.8	-4.2	-20.2%	10.1	14.9	4.8	47.5%
Wood, paper, earthenware and glass products, including												
Division 70. Glass and glassware	510.4	632.4	122.0	23.9%	41.1	45.9	4.8	11.6%	47.2	50.7	3.5	7.4%
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	143.3	184.4	41.1	28.7%	13.6	15.8	2.2	16.4%	15.6	15.8	0.3	1.6%
TOTAL EXPORTS /FOB/	12011.9	13511.9	1500.0	12.5%	869.1	1114.6	245.5	28.2%	906.1	1212.1	306.1	33.8%

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COMMODITY GROUPS*	March			Q1			April			
	2007	2008	mill. EUR	2007	2008	mill. EUR	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change
Base metals and their products, including:										
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	282.6	357.3	74.8	26.5%	762.1	958.6	196.5	25.8%	259.0	399.4
Division 72. Iron and steel	116.4	193.7	77.3	66.4%	302.2	481.8	179.7	59.5%	83.5	196.1
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	82.8	79.0	-3.8	-4.6%	232.9	241.9	9.0	3.9%	102.3	116.1
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof	24.5	28.6	4.1	16.7%	61.7	74.1	12.4	20.1%	20.7	33.7
Division 79. Zinc and articles thereof	20.9	21.7	0.7	3.5%	58.0	65.2	7.2	12.3%	18.9	21.8
Division 78. Lead and articles thereof	23.4	15.0	-8.4	-36.0%	67.4	48.2	-19.2	-28.5%	20.2	12.5
	8.4	13.6	5.2	61.9%	24.4	30.4	6.0	24.8%	8.3	12.9
										4.7
Mineral products and fuels, including:										56.3%
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	151.9	225.3	73.4	48.3%	317.3	547.8	230.5	72.6%	185.9	229.1
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	139.7	212.3	72.7	52.0%	276.7	485.1	208.5	75.3%	166.1	211.0
	7.2	8.0	0.8	11.8%	27.7	47.0	19.2	69.4%	14.1	9.7
										-4.3
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:										-30.9%
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance parts	201.3	221.1	19.9	9.9%	509.5	655.3	145.7	28.6%	167.9	224.1
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	86.8	97.4	10.6	12.3%	222.7	281.3	58.5	26.3%	77.1	97.8
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	59.7	72.1	12.4	20.7%	162.6	218.3	55.7	34.3%	55.6	76.2
	15.3	15.8	0.6	3.8%	41.6	49.8	8.2	19.7%	13.9	18.0
										4.1
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:										29.3%
Division 62. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories not knitted/crocheted	229.8	199.9	-29.9	-13.0%	638.2	633.5	-4.7	-0.7%	181.4	192.6
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	75.0	68.4	-6.6	-8.8%	223.3	228.6	5.3	2.4%	52.2	58.6
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, mattresses, support, cushion etc.	62.3	48.3	-14.0	-22.5%	162.8	153.0	-9.8	-6.0%	50.4	47.8
Division 64. Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	20.9	18.5	-2.4	-11.6%	56.0	56.3	0.2	0.4%	16.8	19.6
	15.6	13.3	-2.3	-14.9%	45.9	44.1	-1.8	-3.9%	12.8	12.2
										-0.6
										-5.1%
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:										6.2%
Division 10. Cereals	88.8	126.1	37.4	42.1%	253.1	345.5	92.3	36.5%	84.5	129.6
Division 12. Oil seed oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grain, seed, fruit etc.	5.2	29.9	24.6	470.8%	27.2	44.7	17.4	64.0%	7.4	17.5
Division 24. Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	10.6	14.5	3.9	37.0%	34.6	61.1	26.5	76.8%	15.3	25.1
	9.1	7.7	-1.4	-15.2%	28.7	38.8	10.1	35.1%	6.6	8.0
										1.4
										2.5%
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:										53.4%
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	118.5	137.5	19.1	16.1%	279.4	357.0	77.6	27.8%	110.7	141.3
Division 29. Organic chemicals	24.9	26.7	1.9	7.5%	67.0	76.8	9.8	14.6%	25.2	29.6
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	22.6	27.2	4.7	20.6%	50.7	66.5	15.8	31.2%	14.1	20.5
Division 31. Fertilizers	17.3	20.5	3.2	18.2%	32.2	57.1	24.9	77.2%	15.5	17.5
Division 28. Inorganic chemicals	9.1	17.2	8.1	89.7%	14.2	31.0	16.8	118.0%	16.8	30.3
	17.5	16.9	-0.6	-3.6%	48.6	48.5	-0.1	-0.1%	15.8	18.4
										2.6
										16.3%
Wood, paper, earthenware and glass products, including										
Division 70. Glass and glassware	52.0	54.6	2.6	5.1%	140.3	151.2	10.9	7.8%	50.4	56.0
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	14.4	16.2	1.8	12.7%	43.6	47.9	4.3	9.9%	15.3	16.7
	16.4	13.0	-3.4	-20.8%	42.8	34.5	-8.3	-19.4%	15.6	12.9
										-2.7
										-17.6%
TOTAL EXPORTS/FOB	1124.8	1322.0	197.2	17.5%	2900.0	3648.7	748.7	25.8%	1039.8	1372.2
										32.0%

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COMMODITY GROUPS *	May						June						Q II					
	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	2007	2008
Base metals and their products, including:																		
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	254.2	307.0	52.8	20.8%	304.1	322.6	18.5	6.1%	817.2	1029.0	211.8	25.9%						
Division 72. Iron and steel	78.0	139.6	61.6	78.9%	119.2	131.7	12.5	10.5%	280.7	467.4	186.7	66.5%						
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	95.5	82.2	-13.3	-14.0%	107.3	111.9	4.6	4.3%	305.1	310.2	5.1	1.7%						
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof	21.4	27.6	6.2	28.9%	21.7	32.4	10.8	49.7%	63.8	93.8	29.9	46.9%						
Division 79. Zinc and articles thereof	19.7	24.1	4.4	22.3	22.3	21.2	-1.1	4.9%	60.8	66.8	6.2	10.2%						
Division 78. Lead and articles thereof	26.8	11.9	-15.0	-55.8%	19.8	10.5	-9.2	-46.7%	66.8	34.9	-31.9	-47.8%						
	6.6	15.8	9.2	139.4%	8.0	8.4	0.4	5.2%	22.9	37.1	14.2	62.3%						
Mineral products and fuels, including:																		
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	221.5	291.4	69.9	31.6%	204.1	267.2	63.1	30.9%	611.6	787.8	176.2	28.8%						
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	169.6	262.5	92.9	54.8%	180.9	254.1	73.2	40.5%	516.6	727.6	211.1	40.9%						
	45.6	19.8	-25.8	-56.6%	16.4	4.6	-11.8	-71.8%	76.1	34.1	-41.9	-55.1%						
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:																		
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliances, parts	175.3	231.0	55.7	31.7%	197.0	285.8	88.8	45.1%	540.2	740.9	200.7	37.2%						
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	79.3	100.8	21.4	27.0%	83.8	144.4	60.6	72.4%	240.2	342.9	102.7	42.8%						
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	15.1	16.5	1.5	9.8%	16.0	16.7	0.7	4.4%	45.0	51.2	6.3	13.9%						
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:																		
Division 62. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories not knitted/crocheted	198.6	188.3	-10.3	-5.2%	235.4	210.0	-25.4	-10.8%	615.4	590.9	-24.6	-4.0%						
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	55.1	58.2	3.2	5.7%	82.1	71.1	-10.9	-13.3%	189.3	188.0	-1.4	-0.7%						
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, mattresses support, cushion etc.	55.2	46.9	-8.4	-15.2%	60.0	49.7	-10.3	-17.1%	165.6	144.4	-21.2	-12.8%						
Division 64. Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	18.4	18.7	0.3	1.6%	21.4	19.3	-2.1	-9.9%	56.5	57.5	1.0	1.7%						
	15.0	12.7	-2.3	-15.3%	18.0	14.7	-3.3	-18.4%	45.9	39.6	-6.3	-13.7%						
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:																		
Division 10. Cereals	96.8	129.4	32.6	33.6%	87.5	138.2	50.6	57.9%	268.8	397.1	128.3	47.7%						
Division 12. Oil seed oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grain, seed, fruit etc.	14.1	16.9	2.8	19.7%	5.6	16.8	11.2	199.2%	27.1	51.2	24.1	89.1%						
Division 24. Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	12.8	32.7	20.0	156.3%	9.8	26.5	16.7	170.4%	37.9	84.4	46.5	122.6%						
	6.6	8.4	1.8	27.9%	7.3	12.8	5.5	74.8%	20.5	29.2	8.7	42.6%						
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:																		
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	110.3	119.4	9.2	8.3%	107.8	114.8	7.0	6.4%	328.8	375.5	46.7	14.2%						
Division 29. Organic chemicals	28.1	27.1	-1.0	-3.4%	22.8	27.8	5.0	22.1%	76.1	84.5	8.4	11.1%						
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	18.1	15.8	-2.3	-13.0%	16.6	20.0	3.4	20.5%	48.8	56.3	7.5	15.4%						
Division 31. Fertilizers	13.4	15.4	2.0	15.1%	15.6	18.7	3.1	20.1%	44.5	51.7	7.2	16.3%						
Division 28. Inorganic chemicals	6.1	19.9	13.8	225.1%	10.4	6.3	-4.2	-40.1%	33.4	56.4	23.0	69.1%						
	18.9	17.7	-1.3	-6.6%	17.9	16.9	-1.0	-5.4%	52.6	53.0	0.4	0.7%						
Wood, paper, earthenware and glass products, including																		
Division 70. Glass and glassware	56.2	54.3	-1.9	-3.4%	54.0	56.6	2.6	4.8%	160.6	166.9	6.3	3.9%						
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	17.0	16.1	-0.9	-5.4%	13.0	17.2	4.2	32.3%	45.4	50.0	4.7	10.3%						
	16.5	13.7	-2.8	-17.1%	18.1	14.0	-4.1	-22.9%	50.2	40.5	-9.7	-19.3%						
TOTAL EXPORTS/FOB	1112.9	1320.7	207.9	18.7%	1189.9	1395.1	205.2	17.2%	3342.6	4088.0	745.4	22.2%						

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COMMODITY GROUPS *	July		August		September	
	mill. EUR 2007	2008	mill. EUR % Change	mill. EUR 2007	2008	mill. EUR % Change
Base metals and their products, including:						
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	320.5	331.5	3.4%	306.3	261.3	-45.0
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	147.2	143.9	-3.4	132.9	108.8	-24.1
Division 72. Iron and steel	84.4	98.3	13.9	16.5%	88.6	79.5
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	23.9	33.7	9.8	41.2%	25.6	27.3
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof	21.3	26.2	4.9	22.9%	20.8	21.6
Division 79. Zinc and articles thereof	22.7	9.1	-13.6	-60.1%	20.1	9.6
Division 78. Lead and articles thereof	15.0	13.9	-1.1	-7.4%	13.3	9.3
Mineral products and fuels, including:						
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	224.4	300.7	76.3	34.0%	183.1	269.4
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	205.5	277.2	71.7	34.9%	171.2	239.0
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	12.2	14.7	2.5	20.6%	4.6	5.9
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:						
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance, parts	192.4	255.7	63.4	33.0%	187.0	186.6
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance, parts	89.0	127.3	38.3	43.0%	76.4	68.8
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	61.1	77.2	16.1	26.3%	62.4	78.3
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	14.4	18.5	4.1	28.6%	14.8	16.2
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:						
Division 62. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories not knitted/crocheted	234.2	220.1	-14.1	-6.0%	201.2	175.6
Division 62. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories not knitted/crocheted	83.0	76.8	-6.3	-7.5%	80.3	66.6
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	57.4	54.1	-3.3	-5.7%	45.3	38.8
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, matters, matters support, cushion etc.	19.7	20.1	0.4	2.1%	18.3	16.9
Division 64. Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	19.5	18.6	-0.9	-4.5%	16.5	17.3
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:						
Division 10. Cereals	102.4	212.3	109.9	107.3%	97.1	243.2
Division 12. Oil seed oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grain, seed, fruit etc.	12.0	82.8	70.8	592.2%	10.1	118.4
Division 24. Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	17.4	38.0	20.6	118.6%	9.7	26.1
Division 24. Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	8.5	10.0	1.6	18.8%	7.4	13.8
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:						
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	112.9	142.0	29.1	25.8%	114.0	129.0
Division 29. Organic chemicals	30.2	30.2	0.0	0.1%	28.6	26.5
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	19.0	15.1	-3.9	-20.3%	22.2	19.9
Division 31. Fertilizers	17.4	17.0	-0.4	-2.0%	13.4	17.7
Division 28. Inorganic chemicals	0.5	33.5	33.1	7320.2%	10.4	24.0
Wood, paper, earthenware and glass products, including						
Division 70. Glass and glassware	16.4	15.7	-0.7	-4.0%	17.3	12.0
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	15.8	13.4	-2.4	-15.0%	16.9	12.2
TOTAL EXPORTS/FOB	1242.2	1516.3	274.1	22.1%	1145.6	1308.3
					162.7	14.2%
					1199.2	1403.1
						203.8
						17.0%

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COMMODITY GROUPS *	Q III			2007			January - September		
	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	share	mill. EUR	share	mill. EUR
Base metals and their products, including:									
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	920.1	864.5	-55.6	-6.0%	2499.4	25.4%	2852.1	23.8%	352.7
Division 72. Iron and steel	405.9	366.9	-39.0	-9.6%	988.8	10.1%	1316.1	11.0%	327.3
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	260.3	247.2	-13.1	-5.0%	798.3	8.1%	799.3	6.7%	1.0
Division 76. Aluminum and articles thereof	71.8	92.0	20.1	28.0%	197.4	2.0%	259.8	2.2%	62.5
Division 79. Zinc and articles thereof	63.5	68.5	5.5	8.8%	181.8	1.8%	179.7	1.7%	18.9
Division 78. Lead and articles thereof	60.0	34.2	-25.8	-43.0%	194.1	2.0%	117.3	1.0%	-76.9
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	41.6	36.6	-5.0	-12.1%	88.9	0.9%	104.1	0.9%	15.2
Mineral products and fuels, including:									
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	623.2	842.7	219.4	35.2%	1552.1	15.8%	2178.2	18.2%	626.1
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	572.9	756.6	183.7	32.1%	1366.1	13.9%	1969.3	16.5%	603.2
Division 28. Fuel oil	27.8	31.4	3.6	12.8%	131.7	1.3%	112.5	0.9%	-19.1
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:									
Division 50. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance, parts	575.0	689.9	114.9	20.0%	1624.7	16.5%	2086.0	17.4%	461.3
Division 84. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	248.6	288.5	39.9	16.0%	711.5	7.2%	912.7	7.6%	201.1
Division 85. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	188.4	247.0	58.6	31.1%	530.5	5.4%	683.0	5.7%	154.6
Division 43.6	59.5	15.9	36.4%		130.2	1.3%	160.6	1.3%	30.4
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:									
Division 62. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories not knitted/crocheted	626.9	585.9	-41.0	-6.5%	1880.5	19.1%	1810.2	15.1%	-70.3
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	231.9	205.0	-26.9	-11.6%	644.5	6.6%	621.6	5.2%	-22.9
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, mattresses, support, cushion etc.	146.8	136.7	-10.1	-6.9%	475.2	4.8%	434.1	3.6%	-41.1
Division 64. Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	56.2	56.7	0.5	0.9%	168.7	1.7%	170.5	1.4%	1.7
Division 50.0	50.0	50.7	0.7	1.4%	141.8	1.4%	134.5	1.1%	-7.4
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:									
Division 10. Cereals	315.2	698.4	383.2	121.6%	837.1	8.5%	1440.9	12.0%	603.8
Division 12. Oil seed oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grain, seed, fruit etc.	44.0	292.5	248.5	565.0%	98.3	1.0%	388.4	3.2%	290.1
Division 24. Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	33.9	87.7	53.8	158.8%	106.3	1.1%	233.2	1.9%	119.3%
Division 28. Inorganic chemicals	27.6	44.8	17.2	62.2%	76.8	0.8%	112.8	0.9%	36.0
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:									
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	340.4	387.3	46.8	13.8%	948.7	9.7%	1119.8	9.4%	171.1
Division 29. Organic chemicals	85.9	81.8	-4.1	-4.8%	229.0	2.3%	243.1	2.0%	14.1
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	63.3	49.8	-13.5	-21.3%	162.7	1.7%	172.5	1.4%	9.8
Division 31. Fertilizers	47.7	58.9	11.2	23.5%	124.3	1.3%	167.6	1.4%	43.3
Division 38. Glassware and glass products, including	16.5	67.3	50.8	307.5%	64.1	0.7%	154.7	1.3%	90.6
Division 46.4	51.3	4.9	10.6%		147.6	1.5%	152.9	1.3%	5.2
Division 44. Wood and charcoal	186.2	159.0	-27.2	-14.6%	487.0	5.0%	477.1	4.0%	-9.9
Division 70. Glass and glassware	49.3	45.2	-4.1	-8.4%	138.3	1.4%	143.1	1.2%	4.9
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	69.1	45.0	-24.1	-34.9%	162.1	1.6%	120.0	1.0%	-42.2
TOTAL EXPORTS /FOB/	3587.0	4227.7	640.6	17.9%	9829.6	100.0%	11964.4	100.0%	2134.7
									21.7%

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EXPORTS

Main trade partners and regions 2007 - 2008

COUNTRIES	January - December						January						February						March					
	mill. EUR		Change		mill. EUR		mill. EUR		mill. EUR		mill. EUR		mill. EUR		mill. EUR		mill. EUR		mill. EUR		Change			
	2006	2007	mill. EUR	%	2007	2008	mill. EUR	%	2007	2008	mill. EUR	%	2007	2008	mill. EUR	%	2007	2008	mill. EUR	%	mill. EUR	%		
EU countries - 27 incl. :	7286.6	8219.8	933.2	12.8%	582.7	708.7	125.9	21.6%	605.2	764.2	158.9	26.3%	727.5	834.6	107.1	14.7%								
EU countries - 15 incl. : 1/	6052.3	6649.5	597.3	9.9%	496.6	583.6	87.0	17.5%	517.0	617.6	100.6	19.5%	590.6	680.6	90.0	15.2%								
Greece	1072.7	1229.5	156.8	14.6%	77.5	128.4	50.9	65.6%	84.0	117.0	33.6	39.9%	111.9	131.4	19.6	-1.3%								
Germany	1162.6	1389.1	226.5	19.5%	105.4	118.7	13.3	12.7%	117.1	121.1	4.0	3.4%	125.3	120.2	-5.0	-4.0%								
Italy	1216.5	1392.2	175.7	14.4%	107.0	119.5	12.4	11.6%	107.7	128.7	20.9	19.4%	131.0	126.3	-4.7	-3.6%								
Belgium	787.3	835.6	48.3	6.1%	71.7	71.3	-0.4	-0.6%	64.5	84.5	20.0	31.1%	72.4	126.5	54.1	74.7%								
France	503.8	538.5	34.7	6.9%	44.4	44.3	-0.1	-0.2%	41.7	54.1	12.5	29.9%	47.0	68.8	21.8	46.3%								
Spain	388.1	323.3	-64.7	-16.7%	22.1	27.2	5.0	22.8%	26.7	30.8	4.0	15.1%	27.7	22.9	-4.9	-17.5%								
G. Britain	309.1	337.0	27.9	9.0%	23.3	26.9	3.6	15.3%	24.0	26.9	2.9	12.1%	27.0	35.2	8.1	30.0%								
Austria	233.4	250.5	17.1	7.3%	20.0	21.0	1.0	5.1%	20.0	22.4	2.4	12.1%	20.4	21.7	1.4	6.7%								
Netherlands	166.4	162.9	-3.5	-2.1%	11.2	12.9	1.7	15.7%	14.1	17.8	3.7	26.1%	13.5	13.0	-0.5	-4.0%								
EU - new member states incl. : 2/	1234.3	1570.2	335.9	27.1%	86.1	125.1	39.0	45.2%	88.2	146.5	58.3	66.2%	136.9	154.0	17.1	12.5%								
Romania	505.2	660.7	155.5	30.8%	29.3	54.5	25.2	85.8%	36.5	71.8	35.4	97.0%	46.7	81.3	34.6	74.0%								
Poland	177.8	222.2	44.4	25.0%	15.7	21.8	6.0	38.2%	13.9	22.3	8.5	61.0%	16.8	24.0	7.2	43.1%								
Hungary	108.2	143.5	35.3	32.6%	11.1	12.9	1.8	15.9%	9.9	10.7	0.8	7.6%	10.0	12.9	3.0	29.7%								
Non EU countries :	4725.3	5292.1	566.8	12.0%	286.4	405.9	119.5	41.7%	300.9	448.0	147.1	48.9%	397.3	487.4	90.1	22.7%								
<i>Europe incl. : 3/</i>	485.9	713.7	227.8	46.5%	56.3	43.3	-13.0	-23.0%	63.2	63.1	-0.1	-0.1%	64.2	57.0	-7.2	-11.3%								
Russia	182.9	326.7	143.9	78.7%	17.2	25.7	8.5	49.1%	19.8	38.0	18.2	92.2%	28.9	32.4	3.5	12.2%								
Ukraine	88.9	167.2	78.3	88.0%	8.2	7.5	-0.8	-9.5%	30.5	11.9	-18.5	-60.8%	13.5	12.6	-0.9	-7.0%								
Balkan countries incl. : 4/	2506.9	2666.8	160.0	6.4%	136.8	193.6	56.8	41.5%	163.5	203.6	40.2	24.6%	191.3	221.3	30.0	15.7%								
Turkey	1392.4	1544.3	151.9	10.9%	87.2	119.7	32.5	37.5%	103.7	123.9	20.2	19.5%	122.3	115.5	-6.8	-5.6%								
Serbia	464.2	629.8	165.6	35.7%	29.7	41.5	11.7	39.4%	33.5	38.4	4.9	14.6%	35.2	55.9	20.7	58.7%								
Macedonia	263.9	284.0	20.2	7.6%	12.9	22.2	9.3	72.4%	18.9	24.9	6.0	31.7%	20.1	34.2	14.1	70.1%								
Americas incl. :	505.2	543.5	38.4	7.6%	45.6	22.2	-23.4	-51.3%	26.0	41.2	15.3	58.8%	56.1	36.9	-19.2	-34.2%								
USA	341.5	315.2	-26.3	-7.7%	19.7	16.3	-3.3	-17.0%	15.2	14.3	-0.9	-5.8%	28.8	14.6	-14.2	-49.3%								
<i>Asia incl. :</i>	969.2	1068.4	99.2	10.2%	39.5	139.4	99.9	22.6%	31.7	120.0	88.3	278.9%	60.1	81.6	21.5	35.8%								
Singapore	238.7	207.8	-30.9	-12.9%	2.9	22.5	19.6	665.8%	0.4	0.2	-0.3	-61.6%	15.0	0.3	-14.8	-98.2%								
Georgia	78.2	162.8	84.6	108.2%	7.5	17.4	9.9	130.9%	7.1	20.4	13.4	188.4%	5.6	15.8	10.2	182.0%								
United Arab Emirates	62.2	13.1	-49.0	-78.8%	1.5	16.3	14.7	92.8%	0.7	38.9	38.3	55.8%	3.3	1.1	0.8	-0.3	-26.4%							
Syrian Arab Republic	28.7	72.9	44.2	153.9%	0.6	18.2	17.6	270.5%	0.5	0.6	0.2	40.2%	7.5	23.1	15.5	205.8%								
Saudi Arabia	31.7	46.5	14.8	46.8%	0.4	0.1	24.1%	0.6	1.0	0.5	86.2%	0.5	0.8	0.3	56.0%									
Other countries	258.1	299.6	41.5	16.1%	8.1	7.3	-0.8	-9.8%	16.6	20.0	3.4	20.8%	25.6	90.6	65.0	254.0%								
TOTAL EXPORTS /FOR/	12011.9	13511.9	1500.0	12.5%	869.1	1114.6	245.5	28.2%	906.1	1212.1	306.1	33.8%	1124.8	1322.0	197.2	17.5%								

1/ Includes the EU member countries prior to May 1, 2004.

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3/ Include

⁴⁴/ Includes Turkey, Serbia, Montenegro, Macedonia, Albania, Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina. The data for Serbia till January 2007 includes the data for Montenegro.

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COUNTRIES	Q1			April			May			June		
	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change
<i>EU countries - 27 incl. : 1/</i>	<i>1915.5</i>	<i>2307.5</i>	<i>20.5%</i>	<i>61.86</i>	<i>798.1</i>	<i>29.0%</i>	<i>675.8</i>	<i>758.6</i>	<i>82.8</i>	<i>12.2%</i>	<i>762.0</i>	<i>808.0</i>
EU countries - 15 incl. : 1/	1604.3	1881.8	27.6%	500.6	649.4	17.3%	148.8	29.7%	530.0	577.7	47.6	9.0%
Greece	273.4	377.3	104.0	111.4	140.6	38.0%	29.2	26.2%	98.7	121.5	22.9	23.2%
Germany	347.7	360.0	12.3	3.5%	102.8	113.0	10.2	9.9%	117.6	112.6	-5.0	-4.2%
Italy	345.8	374.4	28.7	8.3%	100.2	107.2	7.0	7.0%	121.4	102.2	-19.3	-15.9%
Belgium	208.6	282.3	73.7	35.3%	49.9	120.4	70.5	141.2%	35.2	79.6	44.4	126.0%
France	133.0	167.2	34.2	25.7%	42.4	47.2	4.8	11.3%	45.3	45.6	0.3	0.6%
Spain	76.6	80.8	4.2	5.5%	21.1	26.2	5.1	24.4%	28.2	29.0	0.8	3.0%
G. Britain	74.3	88.9	14.6	19.6%	25.0	25.7	0.7	2.9%	26.5	22.1	-4.3	-16.4%
Austria	60.3	65.1	4.8	8.0%	21.1	39.1	18.0	85.1%	21.4	34.2	12.8	59.9%
Netherlands	38.8	43.7	4.9	12.6%	13.8	16.7	2.9	21.0%	14.8	13.9	-0.9	-6.1%
EU - new member states incl. : 2/	311.2	425.7	114.4	36.8%	118.0	148.8	30.8	26.1%	145.8	180.9	35.1	24.1%
Romania	112.5	207.7	95.1	84.5%	45.3	75.2	29.9	60.0%	58.0	85.9	27.8	47.9%
Poland	46.4	68.1	21.7	46.8%	16.0	25.4	9.4	58.6%	16.9	25.5	8.6	51.1%
Hungary	31.0	36.5	5.5	17.7%	12.1	12.1	0.0	-0.4%	12.4	11.3	-1.1	-8.6%
<i>Non EU countries :</i>	<i>984.5</i>	<i>1341.2</i>	<i>356.7</i>	<i>36.2%</i>	<i>421.2</i>	<i>574.1</i>	<i>152.8</i>	<i>36.3%</i>	<i>437.0</i>	<i>562.2</i>	<i>125.1</i>	<i>28.6%</i>
<i>Europe incl. : 3/</i>	<i>183.7</i>	<i>163.4</i>	<i>-20.2</i>	<i>-11.0%</i>	<i>48.8</i>	<i>62.6</i>	<i>13.8</i>	<i>28.3%</i>	<i>47.8</i>	<i>108.2</i>	<i>60.4</i>	<i>126.3%</i>
Russia	65.9	96.1	30.2	45.8%	28.8	34.5	5.7	19.8%	23.7	28.2	4.5	19.0%
Ukraine	52.2	32.0	-20.3	-38.8%	8.2	15.2	7.0	84.8%	7.8	13.0	5.2	66.4%
<i>Balkan countries incl. : 4/</i>	<i>491.6</i>	<i>618.6</i>	<i>127.0</i>	<i>25.8%</i>	<i>221.0</i>	<i>290.4</i>	<i>69.3</i>	<i>31.4%</i>	<i>245.1</i>	<i>238.8</i>	<i>-6.4</i>	<i>-2.6%</i>
Turkey	313.1	359.1	45.9	14.7%	132.7	187.3	54.7	41.2%	132.2	135.2	2.9	2.2%
Serbia	98.4	135.7	37.3	37.9%	46.8	65.2	18.4	35.3%	72.1	57.1	-15.0	-20.8%
Macedonia	51.9	81.3	29.4	56.7%	19.6	23.9	4.3	21.9%	20.2	24.5	4.3	21.3%
<i>Americas incl. :</i>	<i>127.7</i>	<i>100.3</i>	<i>-27.4</i>	<i>-21.4%</i>	<i>50.7</i>	<i>46.6</i>	<i>-4.2</i>	<i>-8.3%</i>	<i>38.0</i>	<i>43.4</i>	<i>5.3</i>	<i>14.1%</i>
USA	63.7	45.3	-18.4	-28.9%	34.7	16.1	-18.6	-53.5%	14.8	16.6	1.8	12.5%
<i>Asia incl. :</i>	<i>131.3</i>	<i>341.0</i>	<i>209.7</i>	<i>159.7%</i>	<i>82.2</i>	<i>135.1</i>	<i>52.9</i>	<i>64.4%</i>	<i>81.7</i>	<i>145.7</i>	<i>63.9</i>	<i>78.2%</i>
Singapore	18.4	22.9	4.5	24.7%	12.2	21.2	9.0	73.9%	29.2	14.0	-15.3	-52.2%
Georgia	20.2	53.7	33.4	165.2%	12.7	24.2	11.6	91.2%	8.3	25.2	16.9	204.3%
United Arab Emirates	3.3	56.0	52.7	158.6%	1.1	24.0	22.8	1998.5%	9.9	1.6	0.7	73.5%
Syrian Arab Republic	8.6	41.9	33.3	385.2%	14.2	11.9	2.3	-16.0%	0.9	2.0	1.1	30.4%
Saudi Arabia	1.4	2.2	0.8	60.0%	0.6	19.0	18.4	3177.4%	0.6	42.5	41.9	6376.8%
<i>Other countries</i>	<i>50.2</i>	<i>117.9</i>	<i>67.7</i>	<i>134.8%</i>	<i>18.5</i>	<i>39.5</i>	<i>21.0</i>	<i>113.3%</i>	<i>24.3</i>	<i>26.1</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>7.5%</i>
TOTAL EXPORTS /FOB/	2900.0	3648.7	748.7	25.8%	1039.8	1372.2	332.4	32.0%	1112.9	1320.7	207.9	18.7%

1/ Includes the EU member countries prior to May 1, 2004.

2/ Following Eurostat classification. Includes the new EU member countries accepted after May 1, 2004 and January 1, 2007.

3/ Includes Russia, Ukraine, Switzerland, Gibraltar (GB), Moldova, Belarus, Norway, Lichtenstein, San Marino, Iceland and Monaco.

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COUNTRIES	Q II			July			August			September						
	mill. EUR		Change %	mill. EUR		Change %	mill. EUR		Change %	mill. EUR		Change %				
	2007	2008		2007	2008		2007	2008		2007	2008					
EU countries - 27 incl.:	2056.4	2364.7	15.0%	735.9	896.4	160.5	684.8	748.8	63.9	9.3%	714.2	812.5	98.3	13.8%		
EU countries - 15 incl.: 1/	1664.4	1856.4	101.9	11.5%	611.8	680.5	68.6	11.2%	560.5	538.0	-2.0	-0.4%	569.2	605.3	36.1	6.3%
Greece	331.4	406.2	74.8	22.6%	110.1	142.5	32.4	29.4%	90.2	136.1	45.9	50.8%	98.5	144.7	46.2	47.0%
Germany	354.9	347.8	-7.1	-2.0%	116.8	124.3	7.5	6.4%	117.7	122.4	4.7	4.0	113.2	128.4	15.3	13.5%
Italy	359.1	328.6	-30.5	-8.5%	129.1	117.7	-11.4	-8.8%	100.9	76.5	-24.4	-24.2%	127.6	107.2	-20.3	-15.9%
Belgium	169.4	275.5	106.0	62.6%	91.0	87.2	-3.8	-4.1%	105.1	57.7	-47.4	-45.1%	74.8	42.8	-32.0	-42.7%
France	139.4	145.4	6.0	4.3%	46.5	72.6	26.1	56.2%	38.4	43.5	5.1	13.2%	42.8	50.2	7.4	17.3%
Spain	74.5	80.2	5.7	7.7%	35.0	45.4	10.4	29.6%	32.5	37.5	5.1	15.6%	33.0	32.4	-0.6	-1.8%
G. Britain	81.2	77.7	-3.6	-4.4%	30.8	30.3	-0.5	-1.6%	27.4	26.0	-1.5	-5.3%	29.5	27.7	-1.8	-6.1%
Austria	66.5	102.6	36.1	54.3%	22.0	24.2	2.2	10.2%	18.7	24.4	5.7	30.5%	21.0	32.3	11.3	53.9%
Netherlands	41.6	45.4	3.9	9.3%	14.0	20.1	6.1	43.6%	14.8	18.2	3.4	22.8%	14.0	21.4	7.4	52.8%
EU - new member states incl.: 2/	392.0	508.4	116.4	29.7%	124.1	216.0	91.9	74.0%	124.3	190.3	66.0	53.1%	145.0	207.2	62.2	42.9%
Romania	159.4	250.1	90.7	56.9%	55.1	127.3	72.2	131.1%	57.6	103.5	45.9	79.7%	67.9	117.9	50.0	73.6%
Poland	52.5	77.4	24.8	47.3%	18.4	28.7	10.3	55.8%	19.4	25.6	6.2	31.8%	17.9	30.7	12.8	71.6%
Hungary	39.0	35.1	-3.9	-10.0%	14.9	12.8	-2.0	-13.8%	11.6	13.4	1.8	15.1%	11.4	14.1	2.7	23.5%
Non EU countries :	1286.2	1723.3	437.0	34.0%	506.3	619.9	113.6	22.4%	460.7	559.5	98.8	21.4%	485.1	590.6	105.5	21.8%
Europe incl. : 3/	157.0	301.4	144.4	92.0%	54.1	92.4	38.3	70.7%	54.3	71.2	16.8	31.0%	74.5	116.9	42.4	56.8%
Russia	78.5	140.2	61.7	78.7%	24.2	62.4	38.2	157.8%	27.4	30.0	2.5	9.3%	35.9	40.9	5.0	13.8%
Ukraine	36.0	43.5	7.5	20.8%	16.7	15.3	-1.4	-8.5%	10.9	13.4	2.5	22.6%	10.4	33.3	22.8	219.0%
Balkan countries incl. : 4/	688.9	784.4	95.6	13.9%	247.3	280.6	33.3	13.5%	242.9	234.1	-8.7	-3.6%	238.7	212.0	-26.7	-11.2%
Turkey	390.2	467.8	77.6	19.9%	140.0	125.8	-14.2	-10.1%	148.9	103.0	-45.9	-30.8%	121.6	96.3	-25.3	-20.8%
Serbia	165.2	184.5	19.3	11.7%	56.0	80.0	24.0	42.8%	48.4	69.1	20.7	42.7%	56.3	61.0	4.7	8.3%
Macedonia	63.3	80.4	17.1	27.0%	21.5	35.3	13.8	64.4%	26.8	32.3	5.6	20.9%	48.2	29.8	-18.4	-38.3%
Americas incl. :	143.9	108.9	-35.0	-24.3%	43.5	48.0	4.5	10.3%	49.3	18.8	-30.5	-61.8%	35.8	51.5	15.7	43.9%
USA	81.2	44.8	-36.3	-44.7%	33.0	40.5	7.5	22.8%	28.6	12.4	-16.2	-56.7%	28.3	38.0	9.6	34.0%
Asia incl. :	231.3	419.5	188.3	81.4%	107.8	137.4	29.6	27.4%	101.2	178.7	77.5	76.5%	103.8	167.6	63.8	61.5%
Singapore	59.8	81.0	21.2	35.5%	42.2	31.7	-10.4	-24.7%	21.0	0.2	-20.8	-99.0%	21.9	30.1	8.2	37.5%
Georgia	33.1	71.9	38.8	117.0%	19.2	18.1	-1.1	-5.5%	12.4	7.9	-4.6	-36.7%	16.7	5.3	-11.4	-68.2%
United Arab Emirates	5.1	48.7	43.6	860.6%	0.8	3.7	2.9	373.7%	0.9	2.6	1.7	195.1%	1.0	31.1	30.1	2902.6%
Syrian Arab Republic	16.0	17.9	1.9	11.7%	0.9	19.7	18.8	2124.3%	0.4	45.0	44.6	10103.6%	0.9	9.6	8.6	941.2%
Saudi Arabia	1.8	62.3	60.5	3398.1%	3.3	19.5	16.1	482.5%	4.0	22.4	18.4	463.7%	10.5	4.8	-5.7	-54.0%
Other countries	65.2	109.0	43.9	67.3%	53.6	61.5	8.0	14.8%	13.1	56.7	43.6	334.4%	32.3	42.6	10.3	32.0%
TOTAL EXPORTS/FOB/	3342.6	4088.0	745.4	22.3%	1242.2	1516.3	274.1	22.1%	1145.6	1308.3	162.7	142%	1199.2	1403.1	203.8	17.0%

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EXPORTS
Main trade partners and regions
2007 - 2008

Tab.3

COUNTRIES	Q III			2007			January - September		
	mill. EUR	2008	Change	mill. EUR	share	mill. EUR	share	mill. EUR	Change
EU countries - 27 incl. :	2134.9	2457.7	322.8	15.1%	6106.8	62.1%	7129.9	59.6%	1023.1
EU countries - 15 incl. : 1/	1741.5	1844.2	102.7	5.9%	5010.2	51.0%	5582.4	46.7%	572.2
Greece	298.9	423.4	124.5	41.7%	903.6	9.2%	1206.9	10.1%	303.3
Germany	347.6	375.1	27.5	7.9%	1050.2	10.7%	1082.9	9.1%	32.7
Italy	357.5	301.4	-56.2	-15.7%	1062.4	10.8%	1004.4	8.4%	-58.0
Belgium	270.9	187.7	-83.2	-30.7%	648.9	6.6%	745.4	6.2%	96.5
France	127.0	166.4	38.6	30.2%	400.2	4.1%	478.9	4.0%	78.8
Spain	100.5	115.3	14.8	14.8%	251.6	2.6%	276.4	2.3%	24.8
G.Britain	87.8	84.1	-3.7	-4.3%	243.4	2.5%	250.7	2.1%	7.3
Austria	61.7	80.9	19.2	31.2%	188.4	1.9%	248.6	2.1%	60.1
Netherlands	42.8	59.7	16.9	39.4%	123.2	1.3%	148.8	1.2%	25.6
EU - new member states incl. : 2/	393.4	613.4	220.1	55.9%	1096.6	11.2%	1547.5	12.9%	450.9
Romania	180.6	348.7	168.1	93.1%	452.6	4.6%	806.5	6.7%	353.9
Poland	55.7	85.0	29.2	52.5%	154.6	1.6%	230.4	1.9%	75.8
Hungary	37.9	40.3	2.4	6.3%	107.9	1.1%	111.9	0.9%	4.0
Non EU countries :	1452.1	1770.0	317.9	21.9%	3722.8	37.9%	4834.5	40.4%	1111.6
Europe incl. : 3/	182.9	280.4	97.5	53.3%	523.6	5.3%	745.2	6.2%	221.6
Russia	87.6	133.3	45.7	52.2%	232.0	2.4%	369.6	3.1%	137.7
Ukraine	38.1	62.0	23.9	62.7%	126.3	1.3%	137.4	1.1%	11.1
Balkan countries incl.: 4/	728.9	726.7	-2.2	-0.3%	1909.4	19.4%	2129.7	17.8%	220.4
Turkey	410.5	325.1	-85.4	-20.8%	1113.8	11.3%	1152.0	9.6%	38.1
Serbia	160.8	210.1	49.4	30.7%	424.4	4.3%	530.3	4.4%	105.9
Macedonia	96.5	97.4	1.0	1.0%	211.7	2.2%	259.1	2.2%	47.5
Americas incl. :	128.5	118.3	-10.3	-8.0%	400.1	41.1%	327.4	2.7%	-72.7
USA	89.9	90.9	0.9	1.0%	234.8	2.4%	181.0	1.5%	-53.8
Asia incl. :	312.9	483.8	170.9	54.6%	675.4	6.9%	1244.3	10.4%	568.9
Singapore	85.1	62.0	-23.1	-27.1%	163.2	1.7%	165.9	1.4%	2.7
Georgia	48.3	31.3	-17.0	-35.2%	101.6	1.0%	156.8	1.3%	53.2
United Arab Emirates	2.7	37.4	34.7	1290.0%	11.1	0.1%	142.0	1.2%	131.0
Syrian Arab Republic	2.2	74.3	72.1	3209.0%	26.9	0.3%	134.1	1.1%	107.2
Saudi Arabia	17.8	46.7	28.9	162.5%	21.0	0.2%	111.2	0.9%	90.2
Other countries	98.9	160.8	61.9	62.6%	214.3	2.2%	387.7	3.2%	173.5
TOTAL EXPORTS/FOB	3587.0	4227.7	640.6	17.9%	9829.6	100.0%	11964.4	100.0%	2134.7
									21.7%

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IMPORTS
End-Use
2007-2008

Tab.4

Commodity groups	January - December				January				February				March				
	mill. EUR	2007	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	2007	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	2007	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	2007	mill. EUR	Change %	
Consumer goods					252.4	268.0	15.6	6.2%	264.6	326.4	61.8	23.3%	288.1	346.2	58.0	20.1%	
Food, drinks and tobacco	2736.6	3585.7	849.2	31.0%	212.0	66.2%	47.8	68.5	20.7	43.2%	53.5	75.4	21.8	40.8%	61.7	81.4	19.7
Furniture and household appliances	602.2	864.0	261.8	43.5%	62.6	53.6	-9.0	-14.4%	60.2	65.4	6.1	10.2%	60.1	76.6	16.6	27.5%	
Medicines and cosmetics	527.5	622.0	94.4	17.9%	48.1	50.9	2.8	5.8%	56.1	55.7	-0.5	-0.8%	53.8	55.0	1.3	2.3%	
Clothing and footwear	178.9	281.1	102.2	57.1%	21.6	19.7	-1.8	-8.6%	21.0	30.0	9.0	42.7%	27.2	35.9	8.7	31.9%	
Automobiles	567.3	485.5	-81.8	-14.4%	36.8	36.4	-0.5	-1.3%	34.9	49.9	15.0	42.9%	38.4	45.8	7.5	19.5%	
Others	389.3	549.8	160.5	41.2%	35.5	39.0	3.5	9.9%	38.8	49.0	10.3	26.6%	47.0	51.4	4.4	9.3%	
Raw materials					585.2	640.8	55.6	9.5%	571.3	701.0	129.7	22.7%	669.7	696.2	26.5	40.0%	
Ores	997.8	1118.4	120.6	12.1%	110.1	106.0	-4.2	-3.8%	50.2	106.2	55.9	111.3%	75.7	80.0	4.3	5.7%	
Iron and steel	802.1	1072.2	270.1	33.7%	82.7	98.4	15.7	19.0%	76.3	98.7	22.4	29.3%	92.5	97.7	5.2	5.6%	
Non-ferrous metals	412.5	519.0	106.5	25.8%	25.8	47.8	22.1	85.8%	54.0	58.3	4.2	7.8%	73.6	46.0	-27.6	-37.5%	
Textiles	1412.4	1389.1	-23.3	-1.6%	107.3	105.1	-2.2	-2.0%	97.6	98.1	0.5	0.5%	112.8	98.8	-14.0	-12.4%	
Wood products, paper and paperboard	343.4	452.3	108.9	31.7%	33.4	35.3	1.9	5.6%	33.7	36.9	3.2	9.6%	36.9	39.7	2.8	7.5%	
Chemicals	322.6	348.2	25.5	7.9%	24.9	31.4	6.4	25.8%	34.1	37.1	3.0	8.6%	38.0	36.7	-1.3	-3.4%	
Plastics and rubber	844.8	1005.0	160.2	19.0%	66.0	67.0	1.0	1.5%	74.6	80.6	6.0	8.0%	79.5	88.6	9.1	11.4%	
Raw materials for the food industry	289.7	355.7	66.0	22.8%	17.5	32.9	15.4	88.0%	34.2	45.3	11.1	32.4%	31.8	47.7	15.9	49.9%	
Raw skins	105.1	104.3	-0.8	-0.7%	7.1	6.3	-0.8	-11.2%	5.4	4.8	-0.6	-10.7%	7.2	5.7	-1.5	-21.2%	
Raw tobacco	19.9	40.3	20.4	102.4%	0.7	3.1	2.5	369.5%	1.0	2.4	1.4	142.1%	1.8	7.8	6.0	337.2%	
Others	1198.4	1499.7	301.3	25.1%	109.6	107.4	-2.2	-2.0%	109.9	132.4	22.5	20.5%	119.8	147.5	27.7	23.1%	
Investment goods					414.6	458.8	44.2	10.7%	383.9	534.6	150.8	39.3%	469.5	540.4	70.9	15.1%	
Machines and equipment	1626.6	2121.5	494.9	30.4%	167.6	168.9	1.3	0.8%	140.6	169.5	29.0	20.6%	160.6	167.9	7.3	4.6%	
Electrical machines	595.5	814.7	219.2	36.8%	60.0	62.5	6.5	11.6%	55.3	80.4	121.3	40.9	51.0%	65.7	68.9	3.1	4.7%
Vehicles	1354.6	1460.1	105.5	7.8%	79.8	94.1	14.3	18.0%	80.4	121.3	40.9	51.0%	125.6	139.1	13.5	10.8%	
Spare parts and equipment	610.0	717.8	107.9	17.7%	57.5	56.4	-1.1	-1.9%	53.8	65.3	11.5	21.3%	55.3	61.6	6.3	11.3%	
Others	658.6	954.5	295.9	44.9%	53.8	76.9	23.2	43.1%	53.8	95.1	41.3	76.7%	62.3	103.0	40.7	65.4%	
Total non energy commodities					1367.6	115.4	9.2%	219.7	1562.0	342.3	28.1%	1427.3	1552.8	155.5	10.9%		
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	4041.3	4261.4	65.6%	273.2	451.2	178.0	65.1%	221.3	342.2	120.9	54.6%	294.2	416.8	122.6	41.7%		
Fuels	3752.7	225.6	6.4%	428.4	406.3	157.9	63.3%	184.6	294.3	109.7	59.4%	257.9	369.2	111.3	43.2%		
Crude oil and Natural gas	3192.2	3336.2	144.0	4.5%	227.9	379.0	151.1	66.3%	143.2	257.3	114.1	79.7%	222.1	336.4	114.3	51.5%	
Coal	275.8	318.2	42.4	15.4%	15.4	23.2	7.9	51.0%	30.6	32.1	1.5	4.8%	25.5	32.1	6.6	25.7%	
Others	59.1	98.3	39.1	66.2%	5.2	4.1	-1.1	-21.4%	10.8	4.9	-5.9	-54.5%	10.3	0.8	-9.5	-92.6%	
Others	514.1	549.9	35.8	7.0%	24.8	44.9	20.1	81.2%	36.7	47.9	11.2	30.5%	36.3	47.5	11.2	31.0%	
Oils	514.1	549.9	35.8	7.0%	24.8	44.9	20.1	81.2%	36.7	47.9	11.2	30.5%	36.3	47.5	11.2	31.0%	
Other Imports ^{1/}	107.3	0.0	-107.3	-100.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	-31.2%	0.0	0.0	-20.4%	0.0	0.0	0.0	-19.7%		
TOTAL IMPORTS /CIF/	18479.3	21861.2	3381.9	18.3%	1525.4	1818.7	293.4	19.2%	1441.0	1904.1	463.1	32.1%	1721.5	1999.6	278.0	16.2%	

^{1/} Includes information on imports of goods in Chapter 99 "Customs alleviations" of the Customs Tariff and imports of goods not elsewhere classified.

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Commodity groups	Q1			April			May			June					
	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	2007	2008	Change %	mill. EUR	2007	2008	mill. EUR	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change %	
Consumer goods				135,4	16,8%		371,8	43,0%	287,2	347,7	60,4	21,0%	278,1	368,7	
Food, drinks and tobacco	805,1	940,5	259,9	111,9	371,8	43,0%	64,6	88,7	24,1	37,2%	63,0	96,7	33,7	53,5%	
Furniture and household appliances	163,1	225,3	62,2	38,2%	93,2	35,0	60,2%	77,6	16,6	27,2%	76,9	8,1	11,8%	65,8	
Medicines and cosmetics	182,9	196,6	13,7	7,5%	61,0	77,6	54,6	68,7	50,7	54,6	3,9	49,5	59,6	10,2	
Clothing and footwear	158,0	161,6	3,6	2,3%	43,9	62,3	18,4	41,8%	10,1	44,7%	20,0	25,4	26,9%	7,5%	
Automobiles	69,8	85,6	15,8	22,6%	22,7	32,8	16,3	48,4%	38,6	44,6	6,0	15,4%	42,0	7,8%	
Others	110,1	132,1	22,0	20,0%	33,6	49,8	15,5	38,2%	44,5	57,5	13,0	29,3%	43,0	56,5	
Raw materials				211,8	11,6%		559,1	773,2	214,1	38,3%	634,1	767,4	133,3	21,0%	
Ores	236,1	292,1	56,0	23,7%	29,5	64,1	34,6	117,1%	44,3	102,4	58,1	131,1%	119,2	87,8	
Iron and steel	251,6	294,9	43,3	17,2%	77,8	121,7	43,9	56,5%	99,1	113,0	14,0	14,1%	91,8	154,2	
Non-ferrous metals	153,4	152,1	-1,3	-0,9%	52,0	83,5	31,4	60,4%	28,5	58,2	29,7	104,2%	29,9	75,5	
Textiles	317,7	302,1	-15,6	-4,9%	118,6	115,0	-3,6	-3,0%	143,7	121,5	-22,2	-15,5%	137,6	120,2	
Wood products, paper and paperboard	104,0	111,9	7,9	7,6%	35,0	41,9	6,9	19,8%	40,6	40,2	-0,4	-0,9%	38,0	40,8	
Chemicals	97,1	105,1	8,1	8,3%	28,7	36,2	7,6	26,4%	28,0	27,6	-0,4	-1,4%	27,7	33,7	
Plastics and rubber	220,1	236,2	16,1	7,3%	76,4	98,5	22,1	29,0%	86,7	89,7	3,0	3,4%	80,6	95,9	
Raw materials for the food industry	83,6	126,0	42,4	50,7%	17,7	37,8	20,2	114,0%	16,9	36,0	19,1	113,1%	24,1	30,8	
Raw skins	19,8	16,9	-2,9	-14,7%	9,1	10,0	1,0	10,5%	12,3	10,2	-2,1	-17,0%	11,8	10,1	
Raw tobacco	3,5	13,4	9,9	266,8%	2,3	6,8	4,5	191,8%	2,1	27,3	25,2	184,7%	2,2	4,8	
Others	339,4	387,3	48,0	14,1%	112,0	157,6	45,5	40,6%	131,9	141,3	9,4	7,1%	125,0	181,1	
Investment goods				126,0	1533,9		423,1	618,6	195,5	46,2%	514,9	570,7	55,8	10,8%	
Machines and equipment	468,8	506,3	37,6	8,0%	137,6	205,1	67,5	49,0%	208,4	191,2	-17,3	-8,3%	190,3	261,8	
Electrical machines	177,0	214,7	37,7	21,3%	52,2	68,7	16,5	31,5%	58,0	65,9	7,9	13,6%	57,0	82,5	
Vehicles	285,7	354,4	68,8	24,1%	111,2	152,3	41,1	36,9%	128,0	152,5	24,5	19,1%	118,3	156,6	
Spare parts and equipment	166,7	183,3	16,7	10,0%	48,3	66,9	18,6	38,5%	57,1	69,9	12,8	22,5%	59,1	71,2	
Others	169,9	275,1	105,2	61,9%	73,7	125,6	51,8	70,3%	63,4	91,3	27,9	44,0%	62,8	109,1	
Total non energy commodities		3899,2	4512,3	613,1	15,7%		1242,1	1763,6	521,5	42,0%	1436,2	1685,7	249,6	17,4%	
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	788,7	1210,1	421,4	53,4%	376,4	487,4	111,0	29,5%	335,4	555,7	220,3	65,7%	363,6	556,8	
Fuels		690,9	1069,8	378,9	54,8%		426,3	83,2	24,3%	302,5	481,6	179,1	59,2%	326,8	483,8
Crude oil and Natural gas	593,1	972,7	379,5	64,0%	313,2	369,8	56,7	18,1%	272,1	441,3	169,2	62,2%	273,8	441,3	
Coal	71,5	87,4	15,9	22,2%	21,8	50,3	28,5	130,8%	23,1	36,4	13,3	57,4%	39,1	37,9	
Others	26,3	9,8	-16,5	-52,9%	8,0	6,1	-1,9	-24,1%	7,3	4,0	-3,4	-46,1%	13,8	4,7	
Others		97,8	140,3	42,5	43,5%		33,4	61,1	27,7	83,1%	32,9	74,1	41,2	125,3%	
Oils	97,8	140,3	42,5	43,5%	33,4	61,1	27,7	83,1%	32,9	74,1	41,2	125,3%	36,8	72,9	
Other Imports ^{1/}	0,0	0,0	0,0	-24,3%	0,0	0,0	0,0	76,6%	0,0	0,0	0,0	63,2%	0,0	46,9%	
TOTAL IMPORTS /CIF/	4687,9	5722,5	1034,6	22,1%	1618,5	2250,9	632,4	39,1%	1771,6	2241,5	469,9	26,5%	1817,0	2441,5	
														34,4%	

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Commodity groups	Q II			July			August			September		
	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change
Consumer goods					294,0	369,0	75,0	25,5%	284,9	317,7	32,8	11,5%
Food, drinks and tobacco	825,3	1088,1	262,8	31,8%	90,8	114,6	26,2	40,5%	65,5	76,9	11,4	17,4%
Furniture and household appliances	185,8	278,6	92,8	49,9%	82,1	14,1	21,8%	20,7%	65,8	68,3	2,5	3,7%
Medicines and cosmetics	195,5	238,2	42,7	21,8%	68,0	10,1	19,0%	48,8	55,7	6,9	14,1%	47,1
Clothing and footwear	57,6	80,7	23,1	40,1%	18,8	4,2	22,5%	23,3	30,5	7,2	30,9%	32,1
Automobiles	114,2	144,2	30,0	26,3%	43,2	11,7	27,1%	39,1	36,5	-2,6	-6,7%	36,9
Others	128,0	169,9	41,9	32,7%	46,1	8,7	18,8%	42,4	49,9	7,5	17,6%	44,6
Raw materials					156,3	189,2	32,3%	21,8%	167,5	709,8	33,3	4,9%
Ores	193,1	254,3	61,2	31,7%	90,5	-0,5	-0,6%	-0,5%	134,3	72,2	-62,2	-46,3%
Iron and steel	268,7	389,0	120,3	44,8%	96,3	152,1	55,8	57,9%	91,3	170,8	79,5	87,1%
Non-ferrous metals	110,4	217,1	106,8	96,7%	48,7	81,0	32,3	66,3%	32,2	46,8	14,6	45,5%
Textiles	399,9	356,7	-43,2	-10,8%	125,3	106,1	-19,3	-15,4%	77,8	61,7	-16,1	-20,7%
Wood products, paper and paperboard	113,5	122,9	9,4	8,3%	43,3	5,1	13,4%	37,6	41,1	3,5	9,3%	36,2
Chemicals	84,4	97,6	13,2	15,6%	27,5	33,1	5,6	20,4%	27,6	26,2	-1,4	-5,0%
Plastics and rubber	243,7	284,1	40,4	16,6%	89,2	108,4	19,2	21,6%	86,6	102,9	16,3	18,8%
Raw materials for the food industry	58,6	104,7	46,0	78,5%	27,6	44,2	16,6	60,2%	37,4	35,1	-2,3	-6,2%
Raw skins	33,1	30,3	-2,9	-8,7%	10,8	8,6	-2,2	-20,3%	5,4	3,5	-1,9	-35,9%
Raw tobacco	6,7	38,9	32,2	482,3%	4,9	4,6	-0,3	-5,6%	15,3	4,0	-11,3	-74,0%
Others	368,9	479,9	111,0	30,1%	129,9	167,9	37,9	29,2%	130,8	145,5	14,7	11,2%
Investment goods					521,2	650,2	128,9	24,7%	470,2	500,0	29,8	6,3%
Machines and equipment	536,4	658,1	121,7	22,7%	177,6	229,4	51,7	29,1%	159,1	172,5	13,4	8,4%
Electrical machines	167,3	217,1	49,8	29,8%	66,8	69,1	2,3	3,4%	66,5	64,8	-1,7	-2,5%
Vehicles	357,5	461,3	103,8	29,0%	121,9	186,5	64,5	52,9%	118,2	129,4	11,2	9,4%
Spare parts and equipment	164,5	208,0	43,5	26,5%	56,8	69,5	12,8	22,5%	55,2	58,8	3,7	6,7%
Others	199,9	326,0	126,1	63,1%	98,0	95,7	-2,3	-2,4%	71,2	74,4	3,3	4,6%
Total non energy commodities	4131,7	5334,0	1202,3	29,1%	1504,0	1858,3	354,3	23,6%	1431,5	1527,5	96,0	6,7%
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	1075,4	1599,9	524,5	48,8%	432,9	584,1	151,1	34,9%	393,5	519,3	125,9	32,0%
Fuels	972,3	1391,8	419,4	31,1%	377,4	508,4	131,0	34,7%	339,1	463,4	124,2	36,6%
Crude oil and Natural gas	859,1	1252,4	393,3	45,8%	330,8	469,9	139,1	42,1%	300,8	412,6	111,8	37,2%
Coal	84,1	124,6	40,6	48,2%	36,1	33,7	-2,5	-6,8%	33,5	43,6	10,2	30,4%
Others	29,2	14,7	-14,4	-49,5%	10,5	4,9	-5,6	-53,4%	4,9	7,1	2,3	46,4%
Others	103,0	208,1	105,1	102,0%	55,5	75,6	20,1	36,2%	54,4	56,0	1,6	3,0%
Oils												
Other Imports ^{1/}	0,0	0,0	0,0	61,5%	0,0	0,0	0,0	-21,8%	0,0	0,0	0,0	-19,7%
TOTAL IMPORTS /CIF/	5207,1	6933,9	1726,9	33,2%	1937,0	2442,4	505,4	26,1%	1825,0	221,8	12,2%	1895,7
												310,7
												16,4%

^{1/} Includes information on imports of goods in Chapter 99 "Customs alleviations" of the Customs Tariff and imports of goods not elsewhere classified.
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End-Use
2007 - 2008

Tab.4

Commodity groups	Q III			2007			January - September 2008			
	mill. EUR	2008	Change %	mill. EUR	share	mill. EUR	share	mill. EUR	Change %	
Consumer goods										
Food, drinks and tobacco	874.4	1077.3	20.2%	2504.8	16.1%	3105.9	16.0%	601.1	24.0%	
Furniture and household appliances	197.6	262.3	32.7%	546.5	3.5%	766.1	4.0%	219.6	40.2%	
Medicines and cosmetics	201.2	242.5	21.4	20.6%	579.6	3.7%	677.3	3.5%	97.7	16.9%
Clothing and footwear	149.1	170.3	21.2	14.2%	451.2	2.9%	508.4	2.6%	57.2	12.7%
Automobiles	74.2	103.8	29.6	39.9%	201.6	1.3%	270.0	1.4%	68.5	34.0%
Others	119.2	135.7	16.5	13.8%	343.5	2.2%	411.9	2.1%	68.4	19.9%
Non-ferrous metals	133.1	162.8	29.7	22.3%	382.4	2.5%	472.2	2.4%	89.7	23.5%
Raw materials										
Ores	2020.1	2282.5	262.4	13.0%	5727.1	36.8%	6695.8	34.6%	968.7	16.9%
Iron and steel	333.1	199.1	-134.0	-40.2%	762.3	4.9%	745.6	3.9%	-16.7	-2.2%
Textiles	432.6	432.6	158.7	58.0%	794.1	5.1%	1116.4	5.8%	322.3	40.6%
Wood products, paper and paperboard	112.0	131.9	19.9	17.7%	329.5	2.1%	366.7	1.9%	37.2	11.3%
Chemicals	79.0	92.4	13.4	16.9%	260.5	1.7%	295.1	1.5%	34.6	13.3%
Plastics and rubber	265.1	321.7	56.6	21.3%	728.9	4.7%	842.0	4.4%	113.1	15.5%
Raw materials for the food industry	103.2	128.1	24.9	24.1%	245.3	1.6%	358.7	1.9%	113.3	46.2%
Raw skins	22.9	18.7	-4.2	-18.4%	75.8	0.5%	65.8	0.3%	-10.0	-13.2%
Raw tobacco	23.1	11.1	-12.0	-51.9%	33.3	0.2%	63.4	0.3%	30.1	90.5%
Others	389.6	487.2	97.6	25.0%	1097.9	7.1%	1354.5	7.0%	256.6	23.4%
Investment goods										
Machines and equipment	1542.3	1756.6	214.3	13.9%	4235.8	27.2%	5161.0	26.7%	925.2	21.8%
Electrical machines	636.3	80.5	14.5%	1561.0	10.0%	1800.8	9.3%	239.8	15.4%	
Vehicles	194.9	207.0	12.1	6.2%	539.2	3.5%	638.8	3.3%	99.6	18.5%
Spare parts and equipment	365.0	455.6	90.6	24.8%	1008.2	6.5%	1271.4	6.6%	263.2	26.1%
Others	169.0	204.2	35.2	20.8%	500.2	3.2%	595.6	3.1%	95.4	19.1%
Total non energy commodities	4436.8	5116.4	679.6	15.3%	12467.8	80.2%	14962.8	77.3%	2495.0	20.0%
Mineral fuels, oils and electricity	1220.9	1579.3	358.4	29.4%	3084.9	19.8%	4389.3	22.7%	1304.3	42.3%
Fuels	1052.2	1389.0	336.7	32.0%	2715.5	17.5%	3850.5	19.9%	1135.1	41.8%
Crude oil and Natural gas	935.4	1255.7	320.3	34.2%	2387.6	15.4%	3480.8	18.0%	1093.1	45.8%
Coal	99.0	118.0	18.9	19.1%	254.6	1.6%	330.0	1.7%	75.4	29.6%
Others	17.8	15.3	-2.5	-13.9%	73.3	0.5%	39.8	0.2%	-33.4	-45.6%
Others	168.6	190.3	21.6	12.8%	369.4	2.4%	538.7	2.8%	169.3	45.8%
Oils	168.6	190.3	21.6	12.8%	369.4	2.4%	538.7	2.8%	169.3	45.8%
Other Imports ^{1/}	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	10.8%
TOTAL IMPORTS /CIF/	5657.7	6695.7	1037.9	18.3%	15552.7	100.0%	19352.1	100.0%	3799.4	24.4%

^{1/} Includes information on imports of goods in Chapter 99 "Customs alleviations" of the Customs Tariff and imports of goods not elsewhere classified.
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Tab.5

COMMODITY GROUPS *	January			January			February		
	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	mill. EUR	Change %	
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:									
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance, parts	5677.5	693.7	1296.2	22.8%	487.8	517.9	30.1	6.2%	451.7
Division 87. Vehicles other than railway tramway rolling-stock, parts & accessories	1992.2	2560.0	567.8	28.5%	198.6	193.2	-5.4	-2.7%	174.6
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	1879.4	1985.5	106.1	5.6%	127.2	132.3	5.2	4.1%	123.7
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	1310.0	1772.6	462.5	35.3%	131.7	137.7	6.0	4.6%	126.2
Division 25. Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	227.5	242.2	14.7	6.4%	20.2	21.0	0.8	3.7%	17.7
Mineral products and fuels, including:									
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	5151.0	5535.9	384.9	7.5%	394.2	569.0	174.8	44.4%	281.1
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	4031.4	4348.1	316.7	7.9%	278.5	454.0	175.5	63.0%	227.0
Division 25. Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	997.8	1118.4	120.6	12.1%	110.1	106.0	-4.2	-3.8%	50.2
Base metals and their products, including:									
Division 72. Iron and steel	1916.9	2523.7	606.8	31.7%	173.3	213.6	40.2	23.2%	197.6
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	802.1	1072.2	270.1	33.7%	82.7	98.4	15.7	19.0%	76.3
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	244.2	331.2	87.0	35.6%	24.3	35.2	10.9	45.1%	42.2
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof	359.9	479.0	119.0	33.1%	29.0	37.0	8.0	27.5%	33.6
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:									
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	1995.9	2357.9	362.0	18.1%	162.8	176.5	13.8	8.4%	191.7
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	700.4	817.6	117.2	16.7%	54.4	54.8	0.4	0.7%	59.3
Division 40. Rubber and articles thereof	395.3	461.5	66.2	16.7%	36.5	39.4	2.9	8.0%	45.0
Division 38. Miscellaneous chemical products	170.0	218.7	48.7	28.7%	13.6	14.7	1.1	7.7%	17.6
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:	1994.1	2201.1	206.9	10.4%	159.0	161.5	2.5	1.6%	150.7
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, mattresses, supports, cushion etc.	168.1	237.6	69.4	41.3%	13.9	17.2	3.3	24.0%	15.4
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	221.3	235.3	14.0	6.3%	22.1	16.9	-5.2	-23.5%	19.9
Division 51. Wool, fine/coarse animals hair horsehair	191.6	193.8	2.2	1.1%	12.5	16.9	4.4	35.0%	13.5
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:									
Division 02. Meat and edible meat offal	901.7	1317.0	415.3	46.1%	75.6	112.3	36.7	48.6%	98.9
Division 48. Paper & paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper/paperboard	131.6	175.1	43.5	33.1%	9.3	15.7	6.4	68.1%	10.9
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	128.8	190.0	61.1	47.5%	13.5	13.2	-0.3	-2.2%	14.6
Other Imports ^{1/}	107.3	0.0	-107.3	-100.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0
TOTAL IMPORTS /CIF/	18479.3	21861.2	3381.9	18.3%	1525.4	1818.7	293.4	19.2%	1441.0
(-)Freight	905.2	1046.5			75.4	90.5			66.6
TOTAL IMPORTS /FOB/	17574.1	20814.7	3240.5	18.4%	1450.0	1728.3	278.3	19.2%	1812.6

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COMMODITY GROUPS *	March			Q1			April		
	2007	2008	mill. EUR	2007	2008	mill. EUR	2007	2008	mill. EUR
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:									
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance, parts	539.5	622.4	82.9	15.4%	1478.9	1754.3	275.4	18.6%	494.2
Division 87. Vehicles other than railway tramway rolling-stock, parts & accessories	195.0	204.7	9.7	5.0%	568.3	598.8	30.5	5.4%	170.2
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	154.1	188.7	34.6	22.4%	404.9	505.7	100.8	24.9%	151.8
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	138.0	146.3	8.3	6.0%	396.0	448.4	52.4	13.2%	117.0
	24.3	24.6	0.2	0.9%	62.3	68.4	6.1	9.7%	17.0
									29.5
									12.4
									73.1%
Mineral products and fuels, including:									
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	375.8	517.0	141.2	37.6%	1051.1	1591	498.0	47.4%	412.2
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	294.8	418.1	123.3	41.8%	800.3	1217.3	417.0	52.1%	378.3
Division 25. Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	75.7	80.0	4.3	5.7%	236.1	292.1	56.0	23.7%	29.5
	5.2	18.9	13.6	262.0%	14.7	39.6	25.0	170.3%	4.4
									21.6
									17.2
									387.2%
Base metals and their products, including:									
Division 72. Iron and steel	239.6	222.0	-17.6	-7.4%	610.5	676.6	66.1	10.8%	197.2
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	92.5	97.7	5.2	5.6%	251.6	294.9	43.3	17.2%	77.8
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	55.5	26.9	-28.6	-51.5%	122.0	109.7	-12.3	-10.1%	36.4
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof	35.8	41.0	5.2	14.4%	98.5	127.0	28.5	28.9%	33.5
	34.2	32.2	-2.0	-5.8%	82.3	83.2	0.9	1.1%	30.1
									33.7
									3.5
									11.8%
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:									
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	202.9	220.7	17.8	8.8%	557.4	604.3	46.9	8.4%	180.6
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	65.8	70.1	4.3	6.5%	179.4	188.4	9.0	5.0%	62.1
Division 40. Rubber and articles thereof	40.8	42.1	1.3	3.2%	122.3	119.7	-2.6	-2.1%	32.0
Division 38. Miscellaneous chemical products	17.0	21.3	4.3	25.1%	48.3	56.3	8.0	16.7%	16.7
	23.1	22.7	-0.4	-1.9%	57.0	61.8	4.8	8.4%	15.1
									20.7
									5.6
									37.0%
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:									
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, mattresses support, cushion etc.	178.5	181.6	3.1	1.8%	488.2	511.5	23.3	4.8%	179.6
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	17.2	21.6	4.4	25.3%	46.5	58.6	12.1	25.9%	17.1
Division 51. Wool, fine/coarse animals hair horsehair	21.6	19.9	-1.8	-8.1%	63.6	56.4	-7.2	-11.4%	18.8
	15.7	14.6	-1.0	-6.6%	41.8	47.4	5.6	13.4%	18.4
									19.4
									1.0
									5.4%
									37.0%
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:									
Division 02. Meat and edible neat oil fat	109.3	153.3	44.0	40.2%	283.8	399.6	115.8	40.8%	90.4
Division 48. Paper & paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper/paperboard	12.8	18.8	6.1	47.5%	33.0	51.3	18.3	55.5%	12.1
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	25.3	27.0	1.7	6.9%	72.6	79.4	6.8	9.4%	25.7
	16.2	18.9	2.7	16.7%	44.4	48.3	3.9	8.9%	14.1
									17.6
									3.5
									25.0%
Other Imports ^{1/}									
TOTAL IMPORTS/CIF/	1721.5	1999.6	2780	16.2%	4687.9	5722.5	1034.6	22.1%	1618.5
(-) Freight	80.8	94.2			222.8	276.2			77.0
TOTAL IMPORTS/FOB/	1640.8	1905.3	2644.6	16.1%	5446.3	981.1	22.0%	1541.5	2142.4
									600.9
									39.0%

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COMMODITY GROUPS *	Q II											
	May			June								
	mill. EUR	Change	mill. EUR	mill. EUR	Change	mill. EUR						
	2007	2008	%	2007	2008	%						
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:												
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance, parts	598.5	651.0	62.5	10.6%	556.2	769.6	213.4	38.4%	1629.0	2124.1	495.2	30.4%
Division 87. Vehicles other than railway tramway rolling-stock, parts & accessories	244.8	226.9	-17.9	-7.3%	225.4	304.5	79.1	35.1%	640.5	774.2	133.7	20.9%
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	167.1	195.2	28.1	16.8%	168.6	206.8	38.2	22.6%	487.6	604.3	116.8	23.9%
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	132.6	154.3	21.7	16.4%	130.4	168.8	38.4	29.4%	380.0	480.4	100.4	26.4%
Division 20.3. 24.0	20.3	3.7	18.2%	18.1	26.8	8.7	48.1%	55.4	80.3	24.9	44.8%	
Mineral products and fuels, including:												
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	387.3	676.0	288.7	74.6%	493.3	678.7	185.3	37.6%	1292.8	1928.4	635.5	49.2%
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	337.3	558.4	221.1	65.5%	366.7	559.5	192.9	52.6%	1082.3	1605.9	523.7	48.4%
Division 25. Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	44.3	102.4	58.1	131.1%	119.2	87.8	-31.4	-26.4%	193.1	254.3	61.2	31.7%
Base metals and their products, including:												
Division 72. Iron and steel	205.7	251.0	45.3	22.0%	199.6	319.5	119.9	60.1%	602.5	863.6	261.1	43.3%
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	99.1	113.0	14.0	14.1%	91.8	154.2	62.3	67.9%	268.7	389.0	120.3	44.8%
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	13.1	43.2	30.1	230.2%	10.7	62.3	51.6	482.6%	60.2	171.4	111.2	184.6%
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof	36.5	41.6	5.1	14.1%	40.6	47.0	6.4	15.8%	110.5	133.8	23.3	21.1%
Division 35.5	35.5	28.1	-7.4	-20.9%	34.8	29.2	-5.6	-16.1%	100.5	90.9	-9.5	-9.5%
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:												
Division 199. 210.5	11.4	5.7%	189.2	235.9	46.6	24.6%	568.9	683.4	114.5	20.1%		
Division 74.3	74.3	75.1	0.8	1.1%	69.5	78.5	9.0	13.0%	205.8	233.4	27.5	13.4%
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	37.0	39.1	2.1	5.7%	37.0	42.5	5.5	14.7%	106.0	126.3	20.3	19.2%
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	15.5	17.6	2.1	13.7%	13.9	20.4	6.5	46.8%	46.0	59.7	13.7	29.8%
Division 40. Rubber and articles thereof	13.8	13.8	0.0	0.1%	11.9	17.8	6.0	50.3%	40.8	52.4	11.6	28.4%
Division 38. Miscellaneous chemical products												
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:												
Division 209.7	202.1	-7.6	-3.6%	201.0	197.2	-3.8	-1.9%	590.3	600.2	9.9	1.7%	
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, mattresses support, cushion etc.	19.2	22.6	3.4	17.7%	20.3	24.1	3.8	18.9%	56.5	68.4	11.9	21.1%
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	20.5	18.5	-2.0	-9.8%	19.0	17.8	-1.1	-6.1%	58.3	56.3	-2.1	-3.5%
Division 51. Wool, fine/coarse animals hair horsehair	22.6	20.7	-1.9	-8.3%	21.7	21.7	0.0	0.1%	62.7	61.8	-0.8	-1.4%
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:												
Division 96.1	162.6	66.5	69.2%	98.6	148.1	49.6	50.3%	285.0	465.3	180.3	63.3%	
Division 02. Meat and edible neat offal	14.0	21.1	7.1	50.5%	13.8	27.2	13.4	97.4%	39.9	68.6	28.8	72.1%
Wood, paper, earthenware and glass products, including												
Division 85.3	88.3	3.0	3.5%	79.0	92.5	13.5	17.1%	238.6	269.0	30.4	12.7%	
Division 48. Paper & paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper/paperboard	29.7	30.2	0.5	1.8%	28.0	31.8	3.8	13.7%	83.4	93.5	10.1	12.1%
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	16.5	18.8	2.3	14.1%	15.0	18.3	3.3	22.1%	45.6	54.8	9.2	20.1%
Other Imports^{1/}	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	
TOTAL IMPORTS/CIF/	1771.6	2241.5	469.9	26.5%	1817.0	2441.5	624.5	34.4%	5207.1	6933.9	1726.9	33.2%
(-) Freight	81.8	107.6			88.5	120.3			247.2	336.4		
TOTAL IMPORTS/FOB/	1639.8	2133.9	444.1	26.3%	1728.5	2321.2	592.7	34.3%	4959.9	6597.5	1637.6	33.0%

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COMMODITY GROUPS *	July		August		September			
	mill. EUR 2007	2008 mill. EUR	Change % 2007	mill. EUR 2008	Change % 2007	mill. EUR 2008 mill. EUR	Change % 2007	
Machines, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:								
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance, parts	587.3	733.4	146.2 24.9%	539.2 566.2	27.0 5.0%	620.7 694.8	74.1 74.1	
Division 87. Vehicles other than railway tramway rolling-stock, parts & accessories	214.1	272.5	58.4 27.3%	192.3 24.8%	204.0 160.7	250.5 4.0	271.2 187.6	20.6 21.5
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	170.6	212.8	42.2 -0.5%	156.7 139.9	143.1 143.1	166.1 2.3%	187.6 137.9	12.9% 17.7
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	139.4	148.5	9.1 45.5%	139.9 20.1	21.9 1.8	19.4 9.0%	139.7 25.9	28.8% 6.4
Mineral products and fuels, including:								
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	441.5	587.5	146.0 33.1%	397.0 134.3	522.0 72.2	315.0 -62.2	398.2 46.3%	197.6% 108.3
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	90.5	90.0	-0.5 -0.6%	149.9%	6.7	18.5 25.3	276.0% 18.5	-65.9%
Division 25. Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	6.0	20.9	14.9 249.9%	6.7	25.3	6.7	12.2 6.7	82.1%
Base metals and their products, including:								
Division 72. Iron and steel	231.2	330.3	99.1 55.8	42.8% 57.9%	197.8 91.3	291.0 170.8	93.1 79.5	47.1% 87.1%
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	32.7	62.2	29.5 54.7	90.1% 8.5	13.2 39.0	29.0 41.6	15.8 2.6	119.6% 6.6%
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	46.3	35.5	1.9 5.8%	18.3% 33.9	33.9 28.6	-5.2 -5.2	38.4 -15.5%	25.0 32.3
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof								-1.3
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:								
Division 20. Plastics and rubber, including:	202.0	251.6	49.7 16.4	24.6% 22.4%	199.0 68.9	219.3 80.0	20.3 11.1	10.2% 16.1%
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	73.3	89.7	16.4 44.8	21.5% 7.9	36.0 36.0	40.9 40.9	4.8 4.8	80.7 13.4%
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products								-27.2%
Division 40. Rubber and articles thereof	18.7	22.1	3.4 16.6	18.1% 18.3%	20.2 12.7	25.6 13.7	5.5 0.9	27.1% 7.5%
Division 38. Miscellaneous chemical products								-29.0%
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:	192.5	182.2	-10.3 21.4	-5.4% 24.4%	139.4 13.7%	137.5 23.0	-1.9 5.6	-1.3% 32.1%
Division 94. Furniture; bedding, mattresses support, cushion etc.								-22.4%
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	18.7	18.3	-0.4 -5.0	-2.3% -23.2%	13.3 10.9	14.1 9.2	0.9 -1.7	8.7 -15.2%
Division 51. Wool, fine/coarse animals hair horsehair	21.3	16.4	2.6 16.6	18.3% 12.7	13.7 13.7	0.9 0.9	10.8 7.5%	20.0% 12.0
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:								
Division 02. Meat and edible neat oil/fat	105.6	154.1	48.5 13.3	45.9% 22.3	132.1 68.2%	127.4 16.1	-4.7 20.1	-3.6% 4.0
Division 48. Paper & paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper/paperboard								-24.7%
Division 44. Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	80.4	92.4	12.0 16.3	15.0% 32.3	79.4 13.4%	86.0 15.1	6.7 18.4	8.4% 3.2
<i>Other Imports</i> ^{1/}	0.0	0.0	0.0% 4.8	0.0% 17.6%	0.0 26.2	0.0 29.3	0.0 3.2	0.0% 12.1%
TOTAL IMPORTS/CIF/	1937.0	2442.4	505.4 92.3	26.1% 118.5	1825.0 90.2	2046.8 100.8	221.8 91.6	12.2% 104.1
(-) Freight								
TOTAL IMPORTS/FOB/	1844.7	2323.9	479.2 1844.7	26.0% 2323.9	1734.9 1946.1	1946.1 211.2	12.2% 12.2%	298.2 1804.1

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COMMODITY GROUPS *	Q III			January - September		
	2007	2008	Change	2007	2008	Change
Machinery, transport facilities, appliances and tools, including:						
<i>I747.1</i> 1994.4	247.3	142%	4835.0	31.2%	5872.9	30.3%
Division 84. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance, parts	656.9	747.8	90.8	13.8%	1865.7	12.0%
Division 87. Vehicles, other than railway tramway rolling-stock, parts & accessories	493.3	561.1	67.7	13.7%	1388.9	8.9%
Division 85. Electrical machines, equipment parts thereof; sound recorders etc.	417.2	469.3	52.1	12.5%	1193.2	7.7%
Division 90. Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring checking, precision, apparatus etc.	59.6	77.0	17.4	29.1%	177.3	1.1%
Mineral products and fuels, including:						
<i>I589.3</i> 1843.7	254.4	16.0%	3933.2	25.3%	5321.2	27.5%
Division 27. Mineral Fuels, oils & products of their distillation; etc.	1236.7	1586.2	349.5	28.3%	3119.3	20.1%
Division 26. Ores, Slag and ash	333.1	199.1	-134.0	-40.2%	762.3	4.9%
Division 25. Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	19.4	58.4	39.0	200.9%	51.6	0.3%
Base metals and their products, including:						
<i>I630.3</i> 885.9	255.6	40.5%	1843.4	11.9%	2426.1	12.5%
Division 72. Iron and steel	273.8	432.6	158.7	58.0%	794.1	5.1%
Division 74. Copper and articles thereof	68.2	138.5	70.3	103.0%	250.5	1.6%
Division 73. Articles of iron and steel	123.7	145.9	22.2	17.9%	332.7	2.1%
Division 76. Aluminium and articles thereof	99.7	95.1	-4.6	-4.6%	282.5	1.8%
Chemical products, plastics and rubber, including:						
<i>I595.3</i> 723.3	128.1	21.5%	1721.6	11.1%	2011.0	10.4%
Division 39. Plastics and articles thereof	213.8	253.4	39.5	18.5%	509.1	3.9%
Division 30. Pharmaceutical products	107.8	129.2	21.4	19.9%	336.1	2.2%
Division 40. Rubber and articles thereof	58.9	77.6	18.7	31.8%	153.2	1.0%
Division 38. Miscellaneous chemical products	37.6	44.1	6.5	17.4%	135.5	0.9%
Textile and leather materials, clothing, footwear and other consumer goods, including:	500.7	526.2	25.5	5.1%	1579.2	10.2%
Division 94. Furniture, bedding, mattresses, support, cushion etc.	57.3	73.4	16.1	28.2%	160.3	1.0%
Division 61. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	52.0	56.0	4.0	7.7%	174.0	1.1%
Division 51. Wool, fine/coarse animals hair horsehair	44.2	38.1	-6.2	-14.0%	148.7	1.0%
Animal and vegetable products, food, drinks and tobacco products, including:						
<i>I357.1</i> 444.8	87.6	24.5%	925.9	6.0%	1309.6	6.8%
Division 02. Meat and edible meat offal	48.2	70.1	21.8	45.3%	121.1	0.8%
Division 48. Paper & paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper charcoal	46.8	58.6	11.9	25.4%	136.7	0.9%
Other Imports¹	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
TOTAL IMPORTS /CIF/	5657.7	6695.7	1037.9	18.3%	15552.7	100.0%
(- Freight)					744.1	936.1
TOTAL IMPORTS /FOB/	5383.7	6372.2	988.6	18.4%	14808.6	100.0%

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COUNTRIES *	January - December						January						February						March					
	mill. EUR		Change		mill. EUR		Change		mill. EUR		Change		mill. EUR		Change		mill. EUR		Change		mill. EUR			
	2006	2007	mill. EUR	%	2007	2008	mill. EUR	%	2007	2008	mill. EUR	%	2007	2008	mill. EUR	%	2007	2008	mill. EUR	%	2007	%		
EU countries - 27 incl. :^{1/}	9442.2	11336.1	1893.9	20.1%	782.4	829.1	46.7	6.0%	815.3	983.8	168.5	20.7%	935.1	1061.5	126.4	13.5%								
EU countries - 15 incl. : ^{1/}	7621.3	8883.1	1261.8	16.6%	629.7	624.4	-5.3	-0.8%	636.0	734.0	98.0	15.4%	743.9	802.2	58.3	7.8%								
Germany	2301.8	2503.4	201.6	8.8%	174.9	178.2	3.3	1.9%	181.6	213.8	32.2	17.7%	197.3	231.7	34.4	17.4%								
Italy	1626.3	1872.3	246.0	15.1%	129.3	122.7	-6.6	-5.1%	127.0	134.0	7.1	5.6%	150.1	162.5	12.4	8.2%								
Greece	967.1	1125.8	158.7	16.4%	74.5	77.8	3.3	4.4%	84.4	95.9	9.7	11.5%	100.3	102.7	2.4	2.4%								
France	758.6	820.4	61.8	8.1%	52.6	56.2	3.5	6.7%	53.3	74.3	21.0	39.3%	67.7	86.2	18.7	27.7%								
Austria	396.4	541.5	145.1	36.6%	40.8	37.5	-3.3	-8.1%	39.6	44.1	4.5	11.3%	42.2	48.2	6.1	14.4%								
Netherlands	235.9	377.9	142.0	60.2%	30.8	25.7	-5.1	-16.5%	25.6	33.8	8.2	32.0%	34.3	37.0	2.7	7.9%								
Spain	322.8	397.2	74.4	23.0%	32.7	29.9	-2.8	-8.6%	28.7	30.1	1.4	4.9%	33.9	31.7	-2.2	-6.5%								
G. Britain	351.7	366.8	15.1	4.3%	24.1	29.7	5.6	23.0%	30.1	37.7	7.6	25.3%	32.7	33.2	0.5	1.5%								
Belgium	214.3	321.1	106.7	49.8%	27.9	23.9	-4.0	-14.3%	25.5	21.7	-3.7	-14.6%	28.3	26.0	-2.2	-7.9%								
EU - new member states incl. : ^{2/}	1820.9	2452.9	632.1	34.7%	152.7	204.7	52.0	34.1%	179.3	249.8	70.5	39.3%	191.2	259.3	68.1	35.6%								
Romania	698.0	844.0	146.0	20.9%	34.8	72.9	38.1	105.7%	63.4	89.8	26.4	41.6%	64.1	105.7	41.6	65.0%								
Hungary	236.8	457.6	220.8	93.3%	33.6	37.6	4.0	11.9%	32.8	37.8	5.0	15.4%	33.2	39.8	6.7	20.1%								
Poland	361.8	461.4	99.6	27.5%	35.2	31.8	-3.4	-9.6%	34.3	66.7	32.4	94.3%	38.2	49.2	11.0	28.9%								
Czech Republic	272.8	373.1	100.3	36.8%	26.5	40.6	14.2	53.5%	26.9	30.8	3.9	14.5%	25.0	34.9	9.9	39.4%								
Non EU countries :	9037.2	10525.1	1488.0	16.5%	743.0	989.7	246.7	33.2%	625.7	920.3	294.7	47.1%	786.4	938.1	151.7	19.3%								
Europe incl. :^{3/}	4040.4	4488.6	483.9	12.1%	304.3	473.5	169.1	55.6%	213.3	378.8	165.5	77.6%	306.3	457.9	151.6	49.5%								
Russia	3175.1	3737.4	562.3	17.7%	244.4	394.7	150.3	61.5%	163.3	294.2	130.8	80.1%	250.7	367.1	116.4	46.4%								
Ukraine	579.1	501.7	-77.4	-13.4%	43.1	59.8	16.6	38.6%	35.3	53.1	17.8	50.5%	38.4	61.7	23.2	60.2%								
Balkan countries incl. :^{4/}	1474.5	2062.4	587.9	39.9%	139.9	138.1	-1.8	-1.3%	145.7	152.6	6.9	4.7%	154.0	164.8	10.9	7.1%								
Turkey	1104.9	1505.7	400.9	36.3%	102.0	95.9	-6.1	-6.0%	94.3	110.0	15.7	16.7%	113.0	114.8	1.8	1.6%								
Macedonia	139.2	277.5	138.3	99.4%	16.4	23.4	7.0	42.7%	27.3	21.4	-6.0	-21.8%	20.2	26.3	6.1	30.0%								
Serbia	168.0	173.9	5.9	3.5%	9.5	12.8	3.3	34.9%	13.9	14.5	0.6	-4.2%	15.9	16.0	0.2	1.0%								
Croatia	41.6	65.8	24.2	58.2%	6.5	5.4	-1.1	-17.5%	7.1	4.4	-2.7	-37.6%	3.9	5.3	1.3	33.3%								
Americas incl. :	1384.1	1322.9	-61.2	-4.4%	114.2	126.8	12.6	11.0%	63.7	121.6	57.9	90.8%	102.5	89.4	-13.0	-12.7%								
Chile	322.3	411.5	89.3	27.7%	47.9	33.2	-14.7	-30.1%	0.2	24.4	24.2	11871.2%	34.8	35.9	1.1	3.2%								
USA	372.2	377.7	5.4	1.5%	29.7	37.8	8.1	27.2%	24.3	36.6	12.3	50.4%	28.0	35.5	7.6	27.1%								
Asia incl. :	1918.5	2454.2	535.7	27.9%	174.9	225.4	50.6	28.9%	189.4	235.7	46.3	24.4%	212.1	198.9	-13.2	-6.2%								
China	770.4	1140.7	370.3	48.1%	82.7	102.6	19.9	24.1%	77.4	89.6	12.2	15.8%	83.9	87.4	3.5	4.2%								
Kazakhstan	241.8	125.7	-116.1	-48.0%	10.2	16.6	6.5	63.4%	33.0	16.7	-16.2	-49.2%	38.6	1.0	-37.6	-97.3%								
Japan	247.8	282.9	35.1	14.2%	21.2	22.7	1.5	6.9%	19.2	45.9	26.7	139.4%	23.1	27.0	3.9	16.8%								
Other countries	255.3	196.9	-58.4	-22.9%	9.7	25.8	16.2	167.4%	13.5	31.6	18.1	133.7%	11.6	27.0	15.4	132.3%								
TOTAL IMPORTS/CIF/	18479.3	21861.2	3381.9	18.3%	1525.4	1818.7	293.4	19.2%	1441.0	1904.1	463.1	32.1%	1721.5	1999.6	278.0	16.2%								

* By country of origin.

1/ Includes the EU member countries prior to May 1, 2004.

2/ Following Eurostat classification. Includes the new EU member countries accepted after May 1, 2004 and January 1, 2007.

3/ Includes Russia, Ukraine, Switzerland, Gibraltar (GB), Moldova, Belarus, Norway, Lichtenstein, San Marino, Iceland and Monaco.

4/ Includes Turkey, Serbia, Montenegro, Macedonia, Albania, Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina. The data for Serbia till January 2007 includes the data for Montenegro.

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COUNTRIES *	Q1		April		May		June	
	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	Change %	mill. EUR	Change %
EU countries - 27 incl. :^{1/}	2532.8	2874.4	341.6	13.5%	845.3	1174.0	328.8	38.9%
EU countries - 15 incl. : ^{1/}	2009.6	2160.5	151.0	7.5%	672.9	883.0	210.2	31.2%
Germany	553.8	623.7	69.9	12.6%	179.6	243.7	64.1	35.7%
Italy	406.4	419.2	12.8	3.2%	151.7	181.8	30.1	19.9%
Greece	274.4	259.3	15.3	5.9%	79.9	102.6	22.7	26.4%
France	173.4	216.6	43.2	24.9%	78.7	91.6	12.9	16.3%
Austria	122.6	129.8	7.2	5.9%	40.9	62.5	21.6	52.7%
Netherlands	90.7	96.5	5.8	6.4%	25.6	39.4	13.8	53.9%
Spain	95.2	91.6	-3.6	-3.8%	29.8	43.4	13.6	45.5%
G. Britain	87.0	100.6	13.7	15.7%	29.3	38.2	8.9	30.3%
Belgium	81.6	71.6	-9.9	-12.2%	22.1	32.5	10.4	47.3%
EU - new member states incl. : ^{2/}	523.2	713.8	190.6	36.4%	172.4	291.0	118.6	68.8%
Romania	162.2	268.4	106.1	65.4%	58.9	115.4	56.4	95.7%
Hungary	99.5	115.2	15.7	15.8%	31.7	47.2	15.5	49.0%
Poland	107.7	147.8	40.0	37.2%	33.5	52.5	19.0	56.9%
Czech Republic	78.4	106.3	27.9	35.6%	26.4	44.9	18.5	70.2%
<i>Non EU countries :</i>	2155.1	2848.1	693.0	32.2%	773.3	1076.9	303.7	39.3%
<i>Europe incl. :^{3/}</i>	823.9	130.2	486.3	59.0%	385.4	505.6	120.1	31.2%
Russia	658.5	1056.0	397.6	60.4%	339.4	408.9	69.5	20.5%
Ukraine	116.8	174.5	57.7	49.4%	31.0	66.8	35.9	115.9%
<i>Balkan countries incl. :^{4/}</i>	439.6	453.5	16.0	3.6%	150.8	24.2	16.1%	184.2
Turkey	309.4	320.8	11.4	3.7%	110.5	120.7	10.2	9.2%
Macedonia	63.9	71.0	7.1	11.1%	19.7	30.9	11.2	56.8%
Serbia	39.3	43.3	4.1	10.3%	14.8	16.3	1.5	9.8%
Croatia	17.6	15.1	-2.5	-14.2%	4.7	5.3	0.6	11.7%
<i>Americas incl. :</i>	280.4	337.8	57.4	20.5%	43.8	126.3	82.5	188.1%
Chile	82.9	93.5	10.7	12.9%	0.2	51.3	51.1	251.50.9%
USA	82.0	109.9	27.9	34.1%	23.1	56.5	33.4	144.7%
<i>Asia incl. :</i>	576.4	660.0	83.6	14.5%	179.9	248.1	68.2	37.9%
China	243.9	279.6	35.7	14.6%	68.4	98.0	29.5	43.2%
Kazakhstan	81.8	34.4	-47.4	-57.9%	25.5	17.1	-8.4	-33.0%
Japan	63.5	95.6	32.1	50.5%	19.7	26.3	6.6	33.8%
<i>Other countries</i>	34.8	84.5	49.7	142.6%	13.3	22.0	8.7	65.0%
TOTAL IMPORTS/CIF/	4687.9	5722.5	1034.6	22.1%	1618.5	2250.9	632.4	39.1%
							1771.6	2241.5
							469.9	26.5%
							1817.0	2441.5
								34.4%

* By country of origin.

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2/ Following Eurostat classification. Includes the new EU member countries accepted after May 1, 2004 and January 1, 2007.

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COUNTRIES *	Q II			July			August			September						
	mill. EUR		Change %	mill. EUR		Change %	mill. EUR		Change %	mill. EUR		Change %				
	2007	2008		2007	2008		2007	2008		2007	2008					
EU countries - 27 incl. : ¹⁾	2725.2	3606.0	32.3%	995.1	1300.0	30.6%	844.6	1045.9	23.8%	946.1	1302.2	356.1	37.6%			
EU countries - 15 incl. : ¹⁾	2181.6	2705.3	523.7	24.0%	798.4	965.3	166.9	655.5	768.7	113.2	17.3%	726.0	959.7	233.6	32.2%	
Germany	596.9	754.4	157.4	26.4%	210.6	270.9	60.2	28.6%	210.8	19.8	9.4%	212.2	275.9	63.7	30.0%	
Italy	550.9	550.8	48.8	9.7%	172.0	194.3	22.3	13.0%	106.1	121.1	14.3%	144.7	187.1	42.5	29.4%	
Greece	265.5	340.1	74.5	28.1%	104.7	130.1	25.4	24.2%	88.8	99.2	10.4	11.7%	102.5	131.1	28.6	27.9%
France	202.1	257.5	55.4	27.4%	82.0	67.0	-15.0	-18.3%	51.7	61.3	9.6	18.5%	54.3	63.9	9.6	17.6%
Austria	136.6	206.8	70.3	51.5%	46.9	90.7	43.8	93.4%	40.3	67.9	27.6	68.4%	44.6	86.1	41.4	92.9%
Netherlands	84.9	125.8	40.9	48.2%	30.5	50.4	19.9	65.3%	32.3	52.0	19.7	60.8%	32.4	60.0	27.7	85.4%
Spain	93.2	110.7	17.5	18.8%	40.6	35.2	-5.4	-13.3%	31.0	31.8	0.7	2.4%	28.3	33.5	5.2	18.4%
G. Britain	94.0	110.6	16.6	17.7%	28.0	31.8	3.8	13.8%	28.6	27.1	-1.6	-5.5%	33.6	29.9	-3.6	-10.9%
Belgium	77.0	105.0	27.9	36.2%	25.7	40.3	14.5	56.3%	25.3	32.3	6.9	27.4%	26.1	40.4	14.3	54.7%
EU -new member states incl. : ²⁾	543.7	900.8	357.1	65.7%	196.8	334.7	137.9	70.1%	189.1	277.2	88.1	46.6%	220.0	342.5	122.5	55.7%
Romania	178.3	370.4	192.1	107.7%	77.8	132.4	54.6	70.1%	68.6	101.8	33.2	48.4%	75.3	130.8	55.5	73.6%
Hungary	102.9	148.7	45.8	44.5%	33.4	63.2	29.8	89.3%	37.3	53.9	16.7	44.7%	40.3	61.9	21.6	53.5%
Poland	106.1	138.7	32.5	30.7%	36.7	43.9	7.3	19.8%	35.5	40.3	4.8	13.6%	40.4	46.1	5.7	14.1%
Czech Republic	90.8	140.6	49.8	54.8%	23.4	52.6	29.2	125.1%	24.4	41.9	17.5	71.6%	38.3	53.6	15.3	39.9%
Non EU countries :	2481.8	3327.9	846.1	34.1%	941.8	1142.4	200.6	21.3%	980.4	1000.9	20.5	2.1%	949.6	904.3	-45.3	-4.8%
Europe incl. : ³⁾	1139.4	1635.9	516.5	45.3%	429.9	617.1	187.2	43.5%	412.1	531.0	118.9	28.8%	432.9	379.6	-53.3	-12.3%
Russia	972.0	1352.9	380.9	39.2%	507.5	507.5	148.8	41.5%	339.6	396.4	56.8	16.7%	369.5	295.9	-73.6	-19.9%
Ukraine	110.5	223.1	112.6	101.9%	49.5	90.9	41.3	83.4%	51.2	117.2	66.0	128.9%	41.4	64.8	23.4	56.5%
Balkan countries incl. : ⁴⁾	507.1	542.7	35.6	7.0%	187.7	190.8	3.1	1.6%	175.8	167.5	-8.3	-4.7%	194.3	175.4	-18.9	-9.7%
Turkey	376.3	383.9	7.6	2.0%	141.6	131.3	-10.3	-7.3%	128.1	115.2	-12.9	-10.1%	145.0	122.4	-22.6	-15.6%
Macedonia	65.3	84.0	18.7	28.6%	24.5	49.4	20.1%	24.8	27.5	2.7	11.0%	24.7	26.4	1.7	6.9%	
Serbia	44.6	50.0	5.4	12.2%	12.5	19.1	6.6	52.3%	14.1	17.6	3.5	25.1%	15.8	19.2	3.5	22.2%
Croatia	14.8	18.2	3.4	23.3%	6.7	8.1	1.4	21.4%	5.3	4.8	-0.5	-8.8%	5.3	6.0	0.7	12.6%
Americas incl. :	225.9	353.5	127.6	56.5%	122.2	131.5	9.3	7.6%	172.2	93.9	-78.3	-45.5%	92.4	55.3	-37.1	-40.1%
Chile	55.0	148.8	93.8	170.5%	50.1	49.4	-0.7	-1.4%	86.4	16.5	-69.9	-80.9%	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-43.6%
USA	85.3	120.1	34.8	40.8%	38.2	20.4	-17.8	-46.7%	41.2	24.2	-17.0	-41.2%	28.9	31.2	2.3	7.9%
Asia incl. :	554.5	703.4	148.9	26.9%	186.5	184.9	-1.5	-0.8%	204.2	188.7	-15.5	-7.6%	218.5	284.3	65.8	30.1%
China	240.7	280.7	40.0	16.6%	90.1	75.1	-15.0	-16.7%	108.8	64.1	-44.7	-41.1%	99.0	86.2	-12.8	-12.9%
Kazakhstan	26.6	76.3	49.7	186.3%	1.2	17.2	16.0	137.2%	1.5	48.2	46.7	3105.0%	12.2	121.6	109.4	893.2%
Japan	60.9	74.0	13.1	21.4%	19.0	10.6	-8.4	-44.0%	19.2	11.5	-7.7	-40.1%	20.0	14.5	-5.5	-27.4%
Other countries	54.9	72.3	17.5	31.8%	15.5	18.1	2.5	16.3%	16.1	19.9	3.8	23.5%	11.6	9.6	-1.9	-16.8%
TOTAL IMPORTS (CIF/	5207.1	6933.9	1726.9	33.2%	1937.0	2442.4	505.4	26.1%	1825.0	2046.8	221.8	12.2%	1895.7	2206.4	310.7	16.4%

* By country of origin.

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^a Includes the EU member countries prior to May 1, 2004.

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3/ Includes Russia, Ukraine, Switzerland, Gibraltar (GB), Moldova, Belarus, Norway, Lichtenstein, San Marino, Iceland and Monaco.

4/ Include

Sources:

Source: D 2000: S 111: 111-112.

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COUNTRIES *	Q III			2007			January - September		
	2007	2008	mill. EUR	Change	mill. EUR	%	2008	mill. EUR	%
<i>EU countries - 27 incl. :</i>									
EU countries - 15 incl. : ^{1/}	2785.8	3648.1	862.2	30.9%	8043.9	51.7%	10128.4	52.3%	2084.6
Germany	2179.9	2693.6	513.7	23.6%	6371.1	41.0%	7559.4	39.1%	1188.4
Italy	633.7	777.4	143.7	22.7%	1784.4	11.5%	2155.5	11.1%	371.1
Greece	422.7	502.8	80.0	18.9%	1331.1	8.6%	1472.7	7.6%	141.7
France	188.0	192.1	4.1	2.2%	563.5	3.6%	666.3	3.4%	102.7
Austria	131.9	244.7	112.8	85.6%	391.0	2.5%	581.3	3.0%	190.3
Netherlands	95.2	162.4	67.2	70.6%	270.8	1.7%	384.7	2.0%	113.9
Spain	99.9	100.5	0.5	0.5%	288.4	1.9%	302.8	1.6%	14.4
G. Britain	90.2	88.8	-1.4	-1.5%	271.2	1.7%	300.1	1.6%	28.9
Belgium	77.2	113.0	35.7	46.3%	235.8	1.5%	289.5	1.5%	53.7
EU - new member states incl. : ^{2/}									
Romania	605.9	954.4	348.5	57.5%	1672.8	10.8%	2569.0	13.3%	896.2
Hungary	221.8	365.0	143.2	64.6%	562.3	3.6%	1003.7	5.2%	441.4
Poland	112.5	130.2	17.8	15.8%	312.4	2.0%	424.9	2.3%	129.5
Czech Republic	86.1	148.0	62.0	72.0%	255.3	1.6%	394.9	2.0%	139.7
<i>Non EU countries :</i>									
Europe incl. :^{3/}	1275.0	1527.7	252.8	19.8%	3238.3	20.8%	4493.9	23.2%	1255.6
Russia	1067.9	1199.8	132.0	12.4%	2698.3	17.3%	3608.7	18.6%	910.4
Ukraine	142.1	272.8	130.7	92.0%	369.4	2.4%	670.4	3.5%	301.0
<i>Balkan countries incl. :^{4/}</i>									
Turkey	557.8	533.7	-24.1	-4.3%	1504.5	9.7%	1532.0	7.9%	27.5
Macedonia	414.7	368.9	-45.8	-11.0%	1100.3	7.1%	1073.5	5.5%	-26.8
Serbia	73.9	83.2	9.3	12.7%	203.1	1.3%	238.3	1.2%	35.1
Croatia	42.4	56.0	13.6	32.0%	126.2	0.8%	149.3	0.8%	23.1
<i>Americas incl. :</i>									
Chile	386.7	280.7	-106.0	-27.4%	893.1	5.7%	972.1	5.0%	79.0
USA	136.8	66.1	-70.7	-51.7%	274.7	1.8%	308.4	1.6%	33.7
<i>Asia incl. :</i>									
China	609.2	657.9	48.7	8.0%	1740.1	11.2%	2121.3	10.4%	281.2
Kazakhstan	15.0	187.0	172.1	1150.0%	123.4	0.8%	297.7	1.5%	174.3
Japan	58.2	36.7	-21.5	-37.0%	182.7	1.2%	206.2	1.1%	23.6
<i>Other countries</i>									
TOTAL IMPORTS /CFE/	5657.7	6695.7	1037.9	18.3%	15552.7	100.0%	19352.1	100.0%	3799.4

* By country of origin.

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METHODOLOGICAL NOTES ON THE COMPILATION OF THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OF BULGARIA

The Bulgarian National Bank is in charge of the compilation of the balance of payments of the country. The legal basis for the balance of payments compilation in Bulgaria is provided for in Article 42 of the Law on the Bulgarian National Bank. Data for the purposes of the BOP compilation are collected on the basis of Article 42 of the Law on the Bulgarian National Bank as well as on the basis of the Foreign Exchange Law. These data are processed by the "Balance of Payments and External Debt" Division within the Statistics Directorate of the BNB. At present, the Bulgarian National Bank compiles and publishes analytic presentation as well as standard presentation of the balance of payments in accordance with the *Fifth Edition* of the "***Balance of Payments Manual***" (IMF, 1993), the "***Balance of Payments Textbook***" (IMF, 1996), and the "***Guideline of The European Central Bank***" (ECB/2004/15)¹.

The balance of payments' methodology is conceptually related to that of the *System of National Accounts (SNA)*. The items of the balance of payments correspond closely to the relevant categories of the rest of the world account in the SNA.

There is a close relationship between the *International Investment Position* and the balance of payments as well. The BOP financial account measures an economy's transactions in external financial assets and liabilities, which affect the stock of external financial assets and liabilities measured in the international investment position.

I. ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND CONVENTIONS

The basic convention applied in the construction of Bulgaria's balance of payments is the implementation of the double entry system. Under credit, with a positive sign, are recorded: exports of goods and services, income receivable, offsets to non-refundable real and financial resources received (transfers), increases in financial liabilities, decreases in financial assets. Under debit, with a negative sign, are recorded: imports of goods and services, income payable, offsets to non-refundable real and financial resources provided, increases in financial assets, decreases in financial liabilities.

The time of recording of the balance of payments transactions is the time of change of ownership.

Transaction valuations are based on market prices. If the actual market prices are not available, the average market prices are used as approximation.

Valuation changes of the country's external assets and liabilities are not included in the balance of payments.

The units of account for the balance of payments of Bulgaria are the EUR, the BG lev and the US dollar. The conversion into the unit of account is made using the exchange rate at the time of transaction. If not available, or inapplicable for other practical reasons, the average exchange rate for the reporting period is used.

¹ Guideline of The European Central Bank on the Statistical Reporting Requirements of The European Central Bank in the Field of Balance of Payments Statistics, The International Reserves Template and International Investment Position Statistics (ECB/2004/15)

II. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS COMPONENTS

The balance of payments components are compiled using basically the *International Transactions Reporting System* (ITRS), which includes (i) banks' reports, and (ii) reports by enterprises which have bank accounts abroad, pertaining to the residents' international transactions. These reports cover all components of the balance of payments table. In addition, the data on certain BOP components collected by the ITRS is substituted for data from other sources: (i) direct investment enterprise survey, (ii) administrative records, (iii) reports by enterprises having financial loans borrowed from and lent to non-residents and (iv) enterprise reports regarding their assets and liabilities (different from financial loans) with non-residents.

In the analytic presentation the balance of payments components are classified in the following main categories:

A. Current Account

The Current Account comprises the acquisition and provision of **goods and services**, **income**, and **current transfers** between the country and the rest of the world. The flows recorded on the credit side represent that part of the gross domestic product, which is provided to the rest of the world (exports of goods and services), as well as the provision of factors of production expressed by income receivable – compensation of employees and investment income (interest, dividends, etc.). Recorded are also offsets for non-refundable real and financial resources received (transfers).

The flows on the debit side represent the gross product created in the rest of the world and acquired by the domestic economy (imports of goods and services), as well as the acquisition of factors of production expressed by income payable. Recorded are also offsets to non-refundable real and financial resources provided.

- The Goods component of the BOP Current Account covers movable goods for which changes of ownership between residents and non-residents occur. The data on imports and exports FOB (Free on board) is based on customs declarations, as the codes used in them are after the Harmonised System for Description and Coding of Commodities of the World Customs Organisation, introduced in 1988 and supplemented in 1992. With the January 2006 data the Bulgarian National Bank and the National Statistics Institute jointly apply developed by them methodology for compilation of imports at FOB prices and receipts and payments regarding the freight transportation.² The methodology is based on the analysis of the CIF-FOB correlations for the imports of goods depending on the different imports delivery categories, as well as on the different mode of transportation and nationality of the carrier.

The geographical breakdown of the Goods item of the BOP is based on the following principles:

For the intra EU trade in goods:

- In case of exports (or dispatches) is the country (or Member State) of final destination of the goods
- In case of imports (or arrivals) is the country (or Member State) of consignment of the goods.

For the trade with third countries (outside EU)

²The 2002 – 2005 data are based on this methodology for compilation of imports at FOB prices and receipts and payments regarding the freight transportation.

- In case of exports – partner country is the country of final destination of the goods
- In case of imports - partner country is the country of origin of the goods.

Sources: The source of data as from the beginning of 2003 until the end of 2006 was the Customs Agency and for preceding years - the Information services (at the Informational Computing Center Directorate). The Bulgarian National Bank and the National Statistical Institute received the exports and imports data, supplemented it with other information and processed it further. With the introduction of the system INTRASTAT (introduced with the Law on Statistics of Intercommunity Merchandise Trade, GG. N51 of 2006) with the January 2007 data changes in the way of reporting of the external trade of Bulgaria with the rest of the EU member states took place.

The introduction of the system INTRASTAT led to changes in the deadlines for receiving and processing of the data. The information on exports (dispatches) and imports (arrivals) of goods are reported by the INTRASTAT operators (the firms obliged to report) to the National Revenue Agency within 10 days after the close of the reporting month. These data are sent to the National Statistical Institute for further processing. The NSI reports to EUROSTAT aggregated monthly data (without breakdowns by trade partners and by type of goods) within 42 days after the close of the reporting month. The detailed intra trade data on dispatches and arrivals of goods are reported to EUROSTAT within 70 days after the close of the reporting month.

The BNB receives aggregated data from the NSI (without breakdowns by trade partners and by type of goods) on the country trade with the other EU member states within 35 days after the close of the reporting month, and these data are supplemented by the data of the Customs Agency on trade with third countries. Before that with the publication of the report on the balance of payments for the reporting month only aggregated data on exports and imports are published. The BNB receives from the NSI within 60 days after the close of the reporting month detailed data on dispatches and arrivals of goods.

As a result of these changes the schedule for external trade data reporting by the BNB is the following:

- Preliminary aggregated data (without breakdowns by trade partners and by type of goods) for the reporting month are published within 42 days after the close of the reporting month in the balance of payments table.
- Preliminary detailed data (with breakdowns by trade partners and by type of goods) for the reporting month are distributed to users not earlier than 73 days after the close of the reporting month.

The published series of data on exports and imports of the country on the web site of the BNB are updated not earlier than 73 days after the close of the reporting month.

In accordance with the common methodology, before publishing the data, the BNB and the NSI have to agree upon the data.

- The Services component comprises *transportation, travel, and other services*.

The Bulgarian National Bank derives the data on *freight transportation* from foreign trade data and the data on *passenger transportation* from travel data on the basis of estimates.

With the January 2006 data the BNB introduced a new methodology for compilation of receipts and payments regarding the freight transportation. The freight transportation receipts are set up on the basis of estimated receipts of resident carriers related to the country exports of goods. The payments are calculated as an estimation of the payments made by residents on behalf of non-resident carriers related to the country imports of goods. The receipts and payments are estimated according to mode of transportation and nationality of the carrier. With the introduction of the system INTRASTAT with the January 2007 data changes in the way of compilation of receipts and payments regarding the freight transportation of Bulgaria with the rest of the EU member states took place. Due to the delay in receiving the detailed data on trade of Bulgaria with the rest of the EU member states from the NSI, as of the date of publication of the preliminary balance of payments report for the corresponding month (42 days after the close of the reporting period) the preliminary compilation of receipts and payments of freight transportation is based on data for preceding years. These estimates are subject to revisions after receiving the preliminary detailed data (with breakdown by trade partners and by type of goods) on trade with the rest of the EU member states for the reporting month.

Travel covers goods and services, including those related to health and education, acquired by travellers for business and personal purposes. The data on travel is based on data from the Ministry of Internal Affairs on the number of travellers crossing the borders and on estimates of *per capita* expenditures, the latter based on the methodology for estimation of the receipts and expenditures from travel services – “*Methodology For Estimation of the Receipts and Expenditures from Travel in the Bulgarian Balance of Payments*” (Bulgarian National Bank, Ministry of Trade and Tourism, 18 November 1999). The 2007 data for the number of foreigners who visited the country are based on information from the border police and NSI estimates. The BNB has been undertaking *Border Survey among Traveling Bulgarians and Foreigners* in order to update the methodology for estimation of the item *Travel* after the end of the survey.

Other services item covers receipts and payments related to services other than transportation and travel (communication, construction, financial, leasing, insurance, cultural, sport and recreational services, etc.).

The *main sources* of information on this item are the banks' reports and the reports of enterprises having accounts abroad.

- *Income* consists of two categories: (i) compensation of employees, and (ii) investment income. Compensation of employees covers wages, salaries and other benefits paid to non-resident workers in the country or received by resident workers abroad. The compensation of employees comprises also income due to illegal employment. The BNB estimates this flow in accordance with the *Methodology for Estimation of Flows due to Illegal Employment (14 March 2006)*.³ Investment income covers receipts and payments of income associated with external financial assets and liabilities. Included are receipts and payments on direct investment, portfolio investment, other investment, and receipts on reserve assets.

The *main sources* of information on the *Income* component are the banks' reports and the reports of enterprises, the Ministry of Finance, and the Bulgarian National Bank.

³ The data as from April 2001 are based on this methodology.

- *Transfers* are all real resources and financial items provided without a quid-pro-quo from one economy to another. *Current transfers* directly affect the level of disposable income of the economy, and the consumption of goods and services. That is, current transfers reduce the income and consumption potential of the donor and increase the income and consumption potential of the recipient. Included in the *Current transfers* are the EU pre-acquisition grants, other grants, gifts, inheritances, prizes won from lotteries, pensions, current taxes, social security contributions, etc. *Sources:* The Bulgarian National Bank receives information on current transfers from the Ministry of Finance, the Bulgarian Red Cross, the Agency for Foreign Aid, and from the reporting system of banks on transactions between residents and non-residents .

B. Capital Account

The *Capital Account* consists of two categories: (i) *capital transfers* and (ii) *acquisition or disposal of non-produced, non-financial assets*. If in kind, a capital transfer consists of (i) a transfer of ownership of fixed assets, or (ii) forgiveness of a liability by a creditor when no counterpart is received in return. If in cash, a transfer is a *capital transfer* when it is linked to, or conditional on, the acquisition or disposal of fixed assets (for example, an investment grant).

Sources: The Bulgarian National Bank receives information on the capital account from the Ministry of Finance (for capital transfers from the EU funds), from the quarterly reports of the enterprises in the non-financial sector, the monthly reports of the notaries and others.

C. Financial Account

The *Financial Account* comprises all transactions (actual and imputed) in the external financial assets and liabilities of an economy. The external assets and liabilities are primarily classified according to type of investment. Included in *Financial Account* are (i) *direct investment*, (ii) *portfolio investment* and (iii) *other investment*.

- *Direct investment* covers direct investment abroad, direct investment in reporting economy and mergers and acquisitions. *Direct investment* is a category of international investment in which a resident of one economy – a direct investor – acquires a lasting interest (at least 10% of the ordinary shares or the voting power) in an enterprise resident in another economy – a direct investment enterprise. The direct investment includes both the initial transaction, through which the relationship between the direct investor and the direct investment enterprise is established, and all subsequent transactions between them. The direct investment covers transactions relating to changes in the direct investor's share in the equity capital of the direct investment enterprise, inter-company debt transactions as well as the share of the direct investor in the undistributed earnings/loss of the direct investment enterprise. Direct investment is reported on a directional basis: direct investment abroad – as an asset, and direct investment in the reporting country – as a liability.

- The subitem *Mergers and Acquisitions* shows the transactions related to mergers and acquisitions. The purpose of its inclusion was to eliminate the influence of such deals over the reported foreign direct investment data. The international practice shows that these transactions have hardly any real impact on the production capacities and employment and the conclusions drawn from the interpretation of foreign direct investment data in which data on mergers and acquisitions are included might be misleading about investment flows, developments, branch and geographical

structure. ("European Central Bank, Eurostat, Foreign Direct Investment Task Force Report", March 2004, para.332)

Sources: The Bulgarian National Bank receives monthly data on direct investments in the country from the Privatisation Agency, from the Central Depository, from the reporting system of banks on transactions between residents and non-residents , from notaries and registry offices; quarterly data from the Financial Supervision Commission , from the direct investment enterprises, from the National Statistical Institute, from the Banking Supervision Department of the BNB, from the insurance companies and pension insurance companies; annual data from the NSI on foreign direct investment stock in enterprises from the non-financial sector..

For data on direct investments abroad the Bulgarian National Bank uses the information from FDI declaration forms, from quarterly reports of non-financial sector enterprises and from the reporting system of banks on transactions between residents and non-residents ..

- *Portfolio investment* includes *portfolio investment, assets and portfolio investment, liabilities.*

Portfolio investment covers transactions in shares and equity if the investor's share in the capital is less than 10%, transactions in bonds, notes, money market and other tradable securities.

The *main source* of information on the liabilities side of the *Portfolio investment* is the data provided by the Ministry of Finance, the Bulgarian National Bank, banks, enterprises holding bank accounts abroad, and the Central Depository. Data on the assets side of the *Portfolio investment* is provided by banks (which give information about their and their clients' portfolio investments), the Bulgarian National Bank and the Ministry of Finance.

- *Other investment* covers trade credits, loans, currency deposits, and other assets and liabilities.

According to the balance of payments conventions trade credit arise from the direct extension of credit from a supplier to a buyer, i.e this is a credit extended by a trade partner without issue of a tradable security.

The main source of information on trade credits-assets and liabilities are the quarterly reports of enterprises on their assets/liabilities to non-residents.

Loans item includes received and paid principals on short- and long-term loans between residents and non-residents if no issue of a tradable security is involved with these loans.

Transactions concerning disbursements and repayments of principals on IMF loans and disbursements on loans on BOP support are not included in the item *Loans*. They are recorded in the relative items of group *E. Reserves and Related Items*.

Data on the item *Loans* is received by the Ministry of Finance, the Bulgarian National Bank, the banks and directly by the enterprises that have lent to or borrowed from abroad. The latter report quarterly data to the BNB because of which the monthly data on *Loans, Other sectors* (assets and liabilities) is revised each quarter.

The *Currency and Deposits* component presents on the assets side the changes in the residents' currency deposits held abroad, and on the liabilities side – the changes in the liabilities of

the resident banks to non-residents in domestic and foreign currency. Following the basic accounting principle and conventions set in the “*Balance of Payments Manual*” (IMF, 1993), when compiling that item the Bulgarian National Bank excludes any changes therein due to exchange rate changes.

Items *Other assets* and *Other liabilities* includes all transactions on miscellaneous accounts receivable and payable not included elsewhere and transactions in arrears.

D. Net errors and omissions

The *Net errors and omissions* component is an offsetting item. This component exists in the BOP presentation because the compilation system used by the Bulgarian National Bank is not a closed one but is a combination of different sources of information. Unlike other statistical reports, such as for example the monetary statistics, the collecting of the data necessary for the balance of payments compilation could not be restricted to the accounting records of the banks as the only source of information,

The fluctuations in the *Net errors and omissions*, both in sign and in size, are mainly due to: (i) revisions of export and import data, (ii) the development of the methodology for compilation of certain balance of payments' components and (iii) the existence of objective obstacles to the collection of data on certain balance of payments' items.

E. Reserves and related items

- *Reserve assets* include those external assets that are readily available to and controlled by the central bank (government) for direct financing of balance of payments imbalances. The reserve assets comprise monetary gold, SDRs, reserve position in the Fund, foreign exchange assets (consisting of currency and deposits and securities), and other claims. The entries under this category pertain to transactions in the BNB's external holdings which are administered by the Issue Department. The data on reserve assets changes included in the BOP table exclude valuation changes, due to exchange rate and market price changes.

This group in the analytic presentation of the balance of payments includes also *Use of Fund credit* and the item *Exceptional Financing*. The exceptional financing comprises the BOP support as well as deferred/rescheduled payments and payments on arrears, resulting from balance of payments difficulties. In accordance with the methodology for accounting the exceptional financing transactions (“*Balance of Payments Manual*”, Fifth Edition (IMF, 1993), p. 454), the principal repayments on the BOP support credits are included in the *Financial Account – Other investment – Liabilities – Loans – General Government*.

III. PERIODICITY, FREQUENCY AND TIMELINESS OF THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PUBLICATIONS

The Bulgarian National Bank compiles and publishes the balance of payments of the country on a monthly basis. The schedule of the Bulgarian National Bank is to publish the data within six weeks (42 calendar days) after the close of the reference period.

IV. DATA REVISION POLICY

Revisions to published BOP estimates are a common feature of many balance of payments compilation systems. They are in compliance with the ECB Timetable for Exchange of Balance of Payments, International Investment Position and Reserve Assets Statistics within the ESCB (which includes a data revision timetable). With the revisions publication, the users are timely acquainted with the revised data on the corresponding items.⁴ The policy on revisions pursued by the Bulgarian National Bank is based on the following principles:

- (i) With the report for the first month of the quarter the monthly data for the whole current year are revised. With the reports for the second and the third month of the quarter, only data for the previous month are revised.
- (ii) When on-going changes are made due to additional information collected, as well as resulting from elimination of errors, the Bulgarian National Bank timely informs the users through the monthly press releases as well as through the notes at the end of the balance of payments table.
- (iii) When significant revisions are made due to changes in the methodology for reporting of certain BOP components or other reasons, the Bulgarian National Bank publishes in advance information on the changes to facilitate the users of the data.

V. DATA DISSEMINATION

The Bulgarian National Bank disseminates the monthly balance of payments data on its web site – <http://www.bnbg.bg>.

The data is published also in the *Bulgarian National Bank Monthly Bulletin*.

Data on the balance of payments of the country is included in the semi-annual and in the annual official reports of the Bulgarian National Bank.

Data are simultaneously released to all interested parties.

VI. CONTACTS

If you have any questions on the methodology applied by the Bulgarian National Bank or on the balance of payments data published, please do not hesitate to send them to Mr. Emil Dimitrov, director of the Statistics Directorate , via e-mail at Dimitrov.E@bnbank.org, and Mrs. Liliana El Haddad, head of the Balance of Payments and External Debt Division , via e-mail at Elhaddad.L@bnbank.org, or by mail to the following address:

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⁴ The annual data on foreign direct investment in the country are revised 15 months after the close of the reporting period (after the annual NSI data on the nonfinancial sector are received in the BNB).

**External Sector Statistics, Compiled by
Balance of Payments and External Debt Division and Disseminated through the BNB web-
site (<http://www.bnb.bg>), by Items:** *

Statistics

Macroeconomic Indicators

External Sector Indicators

External Sector

Exchange Rates

- Real Effective Exchange Rates
 - Deflator – Consumer Price Index
 - Monthly Data
 - Quarterly Data
 - Annual Data
 - Deflator – Unit Labor Cost Index
 - Quarterly Data
 - Methodological Notes

Balance of Payments

- Press Release
- Issue *Balance of Payments of Bulgaria* (January – October 2008)
- Search by Period and Currency – Analytical Presentation
- Search by Period and Currency – Standard Presentation
- Methodology of the Balance of Payments Statistics
 - Standard and Analytical Concepts
 - Methodological Notes
 - Methodology
 - for Compilation of Imports at FOB Prices and Receipts and Payments
Regarding the Freight Transportation for the Balance of Payments*
 - Methodology
 - for Estimation of Flows due to Unofficial Employment*
- Contacts

Foreign Trade

- Exports
 - Data in Euro (1995 – 2008)
 - Search by period:

* As of December 15, 2008

- End-Use
 - Main Trading Partners and Regions
- Main Trade Regions by End-Use
- Annual Data 1995 – 2007
 - Quarterly Data 1995 – 2008
- Currency Structure
- Annual Data 1999 – 2006
 - Quarterly Data 1999 – 2006
- Imports
- Data in Euro (1995 – 2008)
- Search by period:
- End-Use
 - Main Trading Partners and Regions
- Main Trade Regions by End-Use
- Annual Data 1995 – 2007
 - Quarterly Data 1995 – 2008
- Currency Structure
- Annual Data 1999 – 2006
 - Quarterly Data 1999 – 2006
- Methodological Notes
- ***Message about Foreign Trade (16 January 2007)***
 - ***Announcement (as of 18 May 2007)***
- About the coverage and quality of the data on imports and exports*

International Investments Position

- Annual Data 1999 – 2007
- Quarterly Data 2004 – 2008
- Methodological Notes

Direct Investment

- Direct Investments
 - 2008
 - Foreign Direct Investment in Bulgaria
- Flows Data:**
- Annual Data
 - FDI flows by investment type: 1996 – 2007
 - FDI flows by geographical region: 1996 – 2007
 - FDI flows by industry: 1998 – 2007
 - Quarterly Data
 - FDI flows by investment type: 1996 – 2008
 - FDI flows by geographical region: 1996 – 2008
 - FDI flows by industry: 1998 – 2008
 - Monthly Data

- FDI flows by investment type: 1996 – 2008

Stock Data:

- Annual Data

- FDI stock by investment type: 1999 – 2007
- FDI stock by geographical region: 1999 – 2007
- FDI stock by industry: 1999 – 2007

- Quarterly Data

- FDI stock by investment type: 2004 – 2008

Methodological Notes

- Direct Investment of Bulgaria Abroad

Flows Data:

- Annual Data

- FDI flows by investment type: 1997 – 2007
- FDI flows by geographical region: 1999 – 2007
- FDI flows by industry: 2001 – 2007

- Quarterly Data

- FDI flows by investment type: 1998 – 2008
- FDI flows by geographical region: 2001 – 2008
- FDI flows by industry: 2001 – 2008

- Monthly Data

- FDI flows by investment type: 1998 – 2008

Stock Data:

- Annual Data

- FDI stock by investment type: 1999 – 2007
- FDI stock by geographical region: 1999 – 2007

- Quarterly Data

- FDI stock by investment type: 2004 – 2008

Gross External Debt

- Press Release
- Issue *Gross External Debt of Bulgaria* (September 2008)
- *Gross External Debt Stock*

By Sectors*

- 1999 – 2008 (monthly data in EUR million)
- Geographical Breakdown of the External Debt of *Other Sectors*: March 2004 – September 2008 – (quarterly data in EUR million)
- Branch Structure of the External Debt of *Other Sectors*: March 2004 – September 2008 – (quarterly data in EUR million)

By Instruments*

- 1999 – 2008 (monthly data in EUR million)

By Creditors*

- 2004 – 2008 (quarterly data in EUR million)

*Back data are to be published.

▪ *Gross External Debt Service*

By Sectors

- 1999 – 2008 (monthly data in EUR million)

▪ *Gross External Debt Disbursements*

By Sectors

- 1999 – 2008 (monthly data in EUR million)

▪ *Currency Structure of the Gross External Debt*

- 2004 – 2008 (quarterly data)

▪ Methodological notes

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Template on International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity

- Part I. Official Reserve Assets and Other Foreign Currency Assets
- Part II. Predetermined short-term net drains on Foreign Currency Assets (nominal value)
- Part III. Contingent short-term net drains on Foreign Currency Assets (nominal value)
- Part IV. Memo Items
- Methodological notes