

Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by countries in January – November 2020

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**+51.0 bn
balance in PLN**

Foreign trade turnover¹ in the January – November period of 2020 in exports at current prices amounted to PLN 960.8 bn, while in imports - PLN 909.8 bn. The positive balance reached the level of PLN 51.0 bn, while in the same period of 2019 year amounted to PLN 5.6 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of 2019 exports increased by 1.5%, while imports decreased by 3.3%.

Foreign trade turnover expressed in US dollars and in EUR

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 245.7 bn, while imports amounted to USD 232.7 bn (a decrease in exports of 0.6% and in imports of 5.3%). The positive balance reached the level of USD 13.0 bn, while in the same period of 2019 year amounted to USD 1.4 bn.

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 217.1 bn, while imports amounted to EUR 205.8 bn (an decrease in exports of 1.4% and in imports of 6.0%). The positive balance reached the EUR 11.4 bn, EUR 1.3 bn in the same period of 2019.

Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by groups of countries²

Poland has the largest share in total exports with the developed countries – 86.3% (of which EU 73.9%) and in imports – 64.8% (of which EU 55.1%), in comparison with 86.9% (of which EU 74.2%) and 65.9% (of which EU 56.0%) in the corresponding period in 2019 year. However, the smallest share was observed with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, which in total exports was at the same level and amounted to 6.0%, and in imports 6.2%, in comparison with 7.7% in the January – November 2019 period.

The negative balance was recorded with the developing countries – minus PLN 189.9 bn (minus USD 48.6 bn, minus EUR 42.9 bn). The positive balance was obtained in turnover with the developed countries PLN 239.7 bn (USD 61.3 bn, EUR 54.1 bn), of which with the EU countries the balance of PLN 208.4 bn (USD 53.3 bn, EUR 47.0 bn) and with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe PLN 1.2 bn (USD 0.3 bn, EUR 0.2 bn).

Note. Due to the rounding of data, in some cases sums of components may slightly differ from the amount given in the item "total".

¹ Collection of data on foreign trade turnover is open. Data published formerly is updated according to new customs documentation and INTRASTAT declarations.

² The structure and dynamics of the European Union for January - November 2019 are given in real condition, it means that data for EU was reduced by value of trade turnover of the United Kingdom.

Table 1. Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by groups of countries

SPECIFICATION	I - XI 2020						2019	2020
	bn	bn	bn	I - XI 2019 = 100			I - XI	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Exports	960.8	245.7	217.1	101.5	99.4	98.6	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	829.3	212.1	187.4	100.8	98.7	97.9	86.9	86.3
of which EU	710.1	181.7	160.5	101.2	99.1	98.3	74.2	73.9
of which euro-zone	556,2	142,3	125.7	102.0	99.9	99.1	57.6	57.9
Developing countries	73.8	18.9	16.7	110.3	108.0	107.1	7.1	7.7
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	57.6	14.7	13.0	101.5	99.4	98.6	6.0	6.0
Imports (country of origin)³	909.8	232.7	205.8	96.7	94.7	94.0	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	589.6	150.8	133.4	95.2	93.2	92.5	65.9	64.8
of which EU	501.7	128.3	113.5	95.3	93.3	92.6	56.0	55.1
of which euro-zone	415.5	106.3	94.0	95.5	93.5	92.8	46.3	45.7
Developing countries	263.7	67.4	59.6	106.1	103.9	103.0	26.4	29.0
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	56.5	14.5	12.8	77.6	76.1	75.7	7.7	6.2
Balance	51.0	13.0	11.4	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	239.7	61.3	54.1	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	208.4	53.3	47.0	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	140.7	36.0	31.7	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-189.9	-48.6	-42.9	.	.	.	.	.
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	1.2	0.3	0.2	.	.	.	.	.

Foreign trade turnover by major countries

After eleven months of 2020 year among the main trade partners of Poland there was a decrease in exports to almost all countries, except Germany and Sweden and an increase in imports – from China, South Korea and the Netherlands.

The turnover with the top ten of Polish trade partners in exports accounted for 65.7% (66.0% in the same period of the last year), while in total imports – 64.1% (in comparison with 63.8% in January – November 2019).

The share of Germany in exports increased in comparison with the corresponding period of the last year by 1.1 pp and amounted to 28.8%, while in imports decreased by 0.2 pp and accounted for 21.8%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 78.2 bn (USD 20.0 bn, EUR 17.6 bn) in comparison with PLN 55.1 bn (USD 14.4 bn, EUR 12.8 bn) in the same period of 2019.

³ Country of origin is the country where the commodity was produced or processed and in this form entered the Polish customs zone.

Table 2. Foreign trade turnover by major countries

SPECIFICATION	I - XI 2020						2019	2020
	bn	bn	bn	I - XI 2019 = 100			I - XI	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
EXPORTS								
1. Germany	276.4	70.7	62.4	105.4	103.2	102.3	27.7	28.8
2. Czechia	56.2	14.4	12.7	96.3	94.4	93.7	6.2	5.8
3. United Kingdom	55.0	14.1	12.4	96.7	94.8	94.1	6.0	5.7
4. France	54.0	13.8	12.2	97.2	95.3	94.5	5.9	5.6
5. Italy	42.0	10.8	9.5	97.7	95.9	94.9	4.5	4.4
6. Netherlands	40.8	10.4	9.2	98.4	96.3	95.6	4.4	4.2
7. Russia	28.8	7.4	6.5	98.2	96.2	95.4	3.1	3.0
8. Sweden	28.0	7.2	6.3	105.2	103.1	102.2	2.8	2.9
9. United States	27.3	7.0	6.2	102.3	99.6	99.3	2.8	2.8
10. Spain	24.5	6.3	5.5	100.7	98.9	97.9	2.6	2.5
IMPORTS (country of origin)								
1. Germany	198.2	50.7	44.8	95.7	93.7	93.0	22,0	21,8
2. China	131.5	33.6	29.7	113.1	110.8	109.7	12,4	14,5
3. Italy	45.1	11.5	10.2	95.2	93.3	92.6	5,0	5.0
4. Russia	41.2	10.6	9.4	72.9	71.5	71.1	6.0	4.5
5. Netherlands	35.7	9.1	8.1	101.1	98.7	98.1	3.8	3.9
6. France	31.3	8.0	7.1	91.1	89.2	88.7	3.7	3.4
7. Czechia	29.1	7.5	6.6	92.5	90.8	90.1	3.3	3.2
8. United States	28.2	7.2	6.4	94.7	92.5	92.2	3.2	3.1
9. South Korea	21.8	5.6	4.9	110.5	108.0	107.3	2.1	2.4
10. Belgium	20.9	5.3	4.7	95.3	93.1	92.7	2.3	2.3

Imports from the United Kingdom after eleven months of 2020 year amounted to PLN 19.1 bn, USD 4.9 bn and EUR 4.3 bn

Imports by country of consignment – total and groups of counties

The highest turnover in imports by country of consignment Poland recorded with the developed countries - PLN 674.6 bn, of which with the EU – PLN 613.0 bn, compared to PLN 694.2 bn, of which with the EU - PLN 627.2 bn in the same period of 2019.

Table 3. Imports by country of consignment – total and groups of counties

SPECIFICATION	I - XI 2020						2019	2020
	bn	bn	bn	I - XI 2019 = 100			I - XI	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Imports (country of consignment) ⁴	909.8	232.7	205.8	96.7	94.7	94.0	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	674.6	172.5	152.6	97.2	95.1	94.5	73.8	74.1
of which EU	613.0	156.8	138.6	97.7	95.7	95.0	66.7	67.4
of which euro-zone	518.5	132.6	117.3	98.2	96.1	95.4	56.1	57.0
Developing countries	175.4	44.8	39.6	103.4	101.2	100.4	18.0	19.3
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	59.8	15.3	13.6	77.6	76.1	75.7	8.2	6.6
Balance	51.0	13.0	11.4	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	154.7	39.6	34.9	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	97.1	24.9	21.9	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	37.7	9.7	8.4	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-101.6	-26.0	-22.9	.	.	.	.	.
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	-2.1	-0.6	-0.5	.	.	.	.	.

Imports by country of consignment – countries

The share of Germany in imports by country of consignment in comparison with imports by country of origin was higher by 5.6 pp, accordingly the share of the Netherlands was higher by 2.2 pp, Belgium by 1.4 pp, Czechia by 0.7 pp and France by 0.4 pp.

Table 4. Imports by country of consignment – countries

SPECIFICATION	I - XI 2020						2019	2020
	bn	bn	bn	I - XI 2019 = 100			I - XI	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
IMPORTS (country of consignment)								
1. Germany	249.6	63.9	56.4	97.9	95.9	95.1	27.1	27.4
2. China	85.6	21.9	19.3	113.6	111.2	110.2	8.0	9.4
3. Netherlands	55.4	14.1	12.5	105.3	102.9	102.2	5.6	6.1
4. Italy	44.9	11.5	10.2	94.4	92.6	91.8	5.1	4.9
5. Russia	43.0	11.0	9.8	72.9	71.5	71.1	6.3	4.7
6. Czechia	35.2	9.0	8.0	93.7	91.9	91.2	4.0	3.9
7. France	34.6	8.9	7.8	91.3	89.5	88.9	4.0	3.8
8. Belgium	33.9	8.7	7.7	97.0	94.9	94.3	3.7	3.7
9. Spain	22.1	5.7	5.0	100.6	98.5	97.8	2.3	2.4
10. Slovakia	21.8	5.6	4.9	98.3	96.3	95.5	2.4	2.4

Imports from China according by country of consignment in comparison with imports by country of origin was lower by 5.1 pp

⁴ Country of consignment is the country from which the goods were introduced into the Polish territory irrespective of their origin.

After eleven months of 2020 year trade turnover in goods according to the SITC nomenclature compared to the same period of 2019 year, recorded a decrease in half of commodity sectors. In exports the largest increase concerned animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 24.4%), beverages and tobacco (by 18.7%), food and live animals (by 8.3%), chemicals and related products (by 7.8%) and miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 4.6%), while a decrease was reported among others in mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 29.0%), crude materials inedible, except fuels (by 2,1%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 1.7%) and machinery and transport equipment (by 0.5%).

In imports the largest increase was recorded in animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 23.2%), beverages and tobacco (by 16.9%), food and live animals (by 6.6%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 5.7%) and chemicals and related products (by 5.2%), while a decrease was observed among others in commodities and transaction not classified elsewhere in the SITC (by 39.4%), mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 31.1%), crude minerals inedible, except fuels (by 6.5%), machinery and transport equipment (by 4.8%) and in manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 3.6%).

Chart 1. Composition of exports by sections according to SITC nomenclature in I - XI 2020

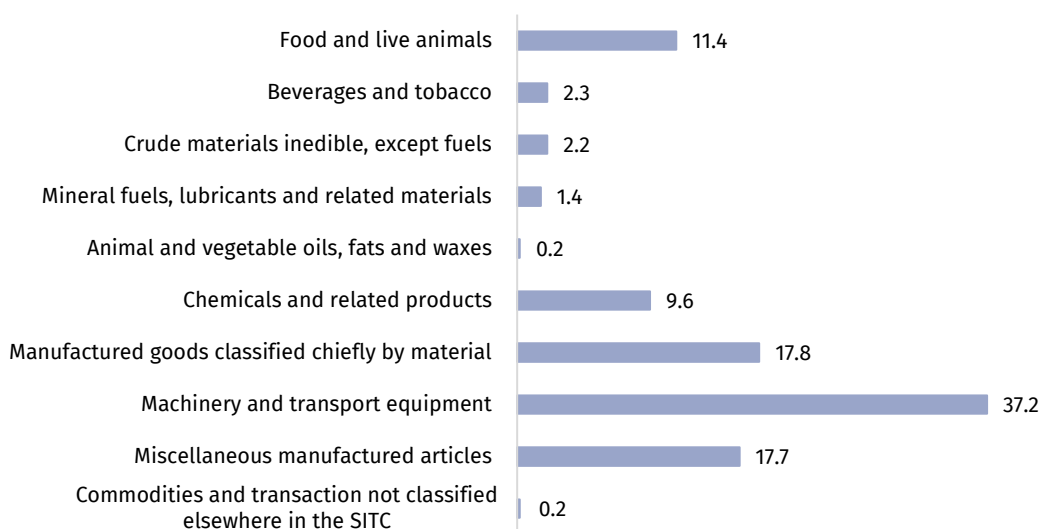
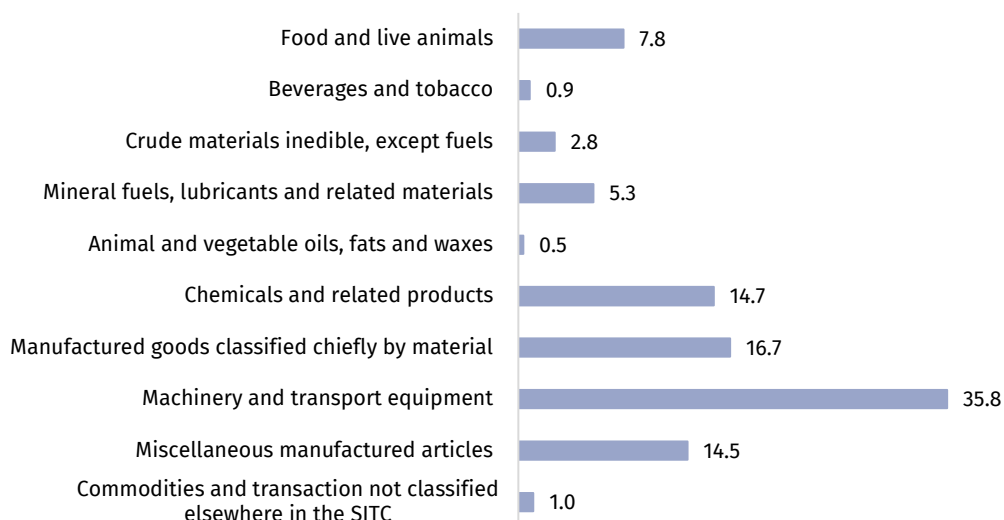


Chart 2. Composition of imports by sections according to SITC nomenclature in I - XI 2020



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