Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by countries in January - December 2021

Foreign trade turnover[[1]](#footnote-1) in January – December 2021 (based on temporary data[[2]](#footnote-2)) in exports at current prices amounted to PLN 1305.2 bn, while in imports - PLN 1308.1 bn. The negative balance reached the level of PLN 2.9 bn, while in the same period 2020 it was positive and amounted to PLN 47.2 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of 2020 exports increased by 22.8%, while imports by 28.0%.

 ⇩ -2.9 bn

balance in PLN

# **Foreign trade turnover expressed in US dollars and in EUR**

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 339.3 bn, while imports amounted to USD 339.7 bn (an increase in exports of 24.4% and in imports of 30.3%). The negative balance reached the level of USD 0.4 bn, while in the same period of 2020 year amounted to USD 12.0 bn.

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 285.8 bn, while imports amounted to EUR 286.4 bn (an increase in exports of 19.1% and in imports of 24.8%). The negative balance reached EUR 0.6 bn, while EUR 10.5 bn in the same period of 2020.

# Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by groups of countries

Poland has the largest share in total exports with the developed countries – 86.3% (of which EU 74.8%) and in imports – 62.5% (of which EU 53.8%), in comparison with 86.3% (of which EU 74.1%) and 65.1% (of which EU 55.4%) in the corresponding period in 2020 year. However, the smallest share was observed with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, which in total exports amounted to 5.8%, and in imports – 8.0%, in comparison with 6.0% and 6.1% in the January – December 2020 period.

The negative balance was recorded with the developing countries – minus PLN 281.7 bn (minus USD 73.0 bn, minus EUR 61.6 bn) and with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe minus PLN 29.7 bn (minus USD 7.6 bn, minus EUR 6.5 bn). The positive balance was obtained in turnover with the developed countries PLN 308.5 bn (USD 80.2 bn, EUR 67.6 bn), of which with the EU countries the balance of PLN 272.2 bn (USD 70.7 bn, EUR 59.6 bn).

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

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| SPECIFICATION | I - XII 2021 | 2020 | 2021 |
| bn PLN | bn USD | bn EUR | I - XII 2020 = 100 | I - XII  |
| PLN | USD | EUR | structure in % |
| **Exports** | **1305.2** | **339.3** | **285.8** | **122.8** | **124.4** | **119.1** | **100.0** | **100.0** |
| Developed countries  | 1126.7 | 292.9 | 246.7 | 122.8 | 124.4 | 119.1 | 86.3 | 86.3 |
| of which EU  | 976.2 | 253.8 | 213.8 | 124.1 | 125.7 | 120.3 | 74.1 | 74.8 |
|  of which euro-zone  | 769.7 | 200.1 | 168.6 | 124.8 | 126.4 | 121.1 | 58.1 | 59.0 |
| Developing countries  | 103.4 | 26.9 | 22.6 | 127.0 | 128.8 | 123.2 | 7.7 | 7.9 |
| Count. of Cent. and East. Europe | 75.1 | 19.5 | 16.4 | 118.3 | 119.7 | 114.7 | 6.0 | 5.8 |
| **Imports** (country of origin)[[3]](#footnote-3) | **1308.1** | **339.7** | **286.4** | **128.8** | **130.3** | **124.8** | **100.0** | **100.0** |
| Developed countries  | 818.1 | 212.7 | 179.2 | 123.8 | 125.4 | 120.0 | 65.1 | 62.5 |
| of which EU  | 704.0 | 183.1 | 154.2 | 125.1 | 126.7 | 121.2 | 55.4 | 53.8 |
|  of which euro-zone  | 584.8 | 152.1 | 128.1 | 125.3 | 126.9 | 121.4 | 46.0 | 44.7 |
| Developing countries  | 385.1 | 99.9 | 84.3 | 131.6 | 133.0 | 127.6 | 28.8 | 29.4 |
| Count. of Cent. and East. Europe | 104.8 | 27.1 | 22.9 | 169.6 | 170.9 | 163.8 | 6.1 | 8.0 |
| **Balance**  | **-2.9** | **-0.4** | **-0.6** | **.** | **.** | **.** | **.** | **.** |
| Developed countries  | 308.5 | 80.2 | 67.6 | . | . | . | . | . |
| of which EU  | 272.2 | 70.7 | 59.6 | . | . | . | . | . |
|  of which euro-zone  | 184.9 | 48.1 | 40.5 | . | . | . | . | . |
| Developing countries  | -281.7 | -73.0 | -61.6 | . | . | . | . | . |
| Count. of Cent. and East. Europe | -29.7 | -7.6 | -6.5 | . | . | . | . | . |

# **Foreign trade turnover by major countries**

After twelve months of this year among the main trade partners of Poland a decrease both in exports and imports was not observed compared to the same period of the last year.

The turnover with the top ten of Polish trade partners in exports accounted for 65.1% (66.0% in the same period of the last year), while in total imports – 65.3% (in comparison with 64.3% in January – December 2020).

The share of Germany in exports decreased in comparison with the corresponding period of the last year by 0.3 pp and amounted to 28.7% and in imports decreased by 1.0 pp and accounted for 20.9%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 100.6 bn (USD 26.2 bn, EUR 22.0 bn) in comparison with PLN 85.6 bn (USD 21.9 bn, EUR 19.2 bn) in the same period of 2020.

Table 2. Foreign trade turnover by major countries

Imports from the United Kingdom in January - December of 2021 amounted to PLN 20.9 bn, USD 5.4 bn and EUR 4.6 bn

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| SPECIFICATION  | I - XII 2021 | 2020 | 2021 |
| bn PLN | bn USD | bn EUR | I - XII 2020 = 100 | I - XII  |
| PLN | USD | EUR | structure in % |
| **EXPORTS** |
| 1. Germany  | 374.1 | 97.3 | 81.9 | 121.6 | 123.2 | 118.0 | 29.0 | 28.7 |
| 2. Czechia  | 76.9 | 20.0 | 16.8 | 123.6 | 125.2 | 119.8 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| 3. France  | 74.6 | 19.4 | 16.3 | 125.2 | 126.8 | 121.4 | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| 4. United Kingdom  | 66.4 | 17.2 | 14.5 | 109.3 | 110.5 | 105.8 | 5.7 | 5.1 |
| 5. Italy | 60.2 | 15.7 | 13.2 | 131.0 | 132.6 | 127.1 | 4.3 | 4.6 |
| 6. Netherlands | 56.2 | 14.6 | 12.3 | 124.1 | 125.6 | 120.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| 7. Russia  | 36.6 | 9.5 | 8.0 | 115.3 | 116.7 | 111.8 | 3.0 | 2.8 |
| 8. Sweden | 36.1 | 9.4 | 7.9 | 116.0 | 117.5 | 112.5 | 2.9 | 2.8 |
| 9. United States | 34.8 | 9.0 | 7.6 | 116.9 | 118.8 | 113.4 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| 10. Slovakia  | 33.1 | 8.6 | 7.3 | 124.4 | 125.9 | 120.6 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| **IMPORTS (country of origin)** |
| 1. Germany | 273.6 | 71.1 | 59.9 | 123.2 | 124.7 | 119.4 | 21.9 | 20.9 |
| 2. China | 194.3 | 50.4 | 42.5 | 132.6 | 133.9 | 128.7 | 14.4 | 14.9 |
| 3. Russia  | 77.8 | 20.1 | 17.0 | 172.7 | 173.8 | 166.5 | 4.4 | 6.0 |
| 4. Italy | 65.2 | 17.0 | 14.3 | 124.9 | 126.5 | 121.2 | 5.1 | 5.0 |
| 5. Netherlands  | 53.5 | 13.9 | 11.7 | 132.3 | 134.2 | 128.4 | 4.0 | 4.1 |
| 6. France  | 43.5 | 11.3 | 9.5 | 124.2 | 126.0 | 120.4 | 3.5 | 3.3 |
| 7. Czechia | 41.4 | 10.8 | 9.1 | 128.3 | 129.8 | 124.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| 8. United States | 40.4 | 10.5 | 8.8 | 127.3 | 128.7 | 123.0 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| 9. Belgium  | 32.3 | 8.4 | 7.1 | 139.0 | 141.2 | 134.8 | 2.3 | 2.5 |
| 10. South Korea | 29.6 | 7.7 | 6.5 | 121.7 | 123.4 | 118.0 | 2.4 | 2.3 |

# 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 934.4 bn, of which with the EU – PLN 862.7 bn, compared to PLN 756.3 bn, of which with the EU - PLN 688.2 bn in the same period of 2020.

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

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| SPECIFICATION | I - XII 2021 | 2020 | 2021 |
| bn PLN | bn USD | bn EUR | I - XII 2020 = 100 | I - XII  |
| PLN | USD | EUR | structure in % |
| **Imports** (country of consignment)[[4]](#footnote-4) | **1308.1** | **339.7** | **286.4** | **128.8** | **130.3** | **124.8** | **100.0** | **100.0** |
| Developed countries  | 934.4 | 242.9 | 204.6 | 123.5 | 125.1 | 119.8 | 74.5 | 71.4 |
| of which EU  | 862.7 | 224.3 | 188.9 | 125.4 | 127.0 | 121.5 | 67.8 | 66.0 |
|  of which euro-zone  | 731.6 | 190.2 | 160.2 | 125.5 | 127.1 | 121.7 | 57.4 | 55.9 |
| Developing countries  | 266.8 | 69.2 | 58.4 | 137.6 | 139.0 | 133.4 | 19.1 | 20.4 |
| Countries of Cent. and East. Europe | 106.8 | 27.6 | 23.4 | 164.0 | 165.2 | 158.3 | 6.4 | 8.2 |
| **Balance**  | **-2.9** | **-0.4** | **-0.6** | . | . | . | . | . |
| Developed countries  | 192.2 | 50.0 | 42.1 | . | . | . | . | . |
| of which EU  | 113.5 | 29.5 | 24.9 | . | . | . | . | . |
|  of which euro-zone  | 38.1 | 9.9 | 8.3 | . | . | . | . | . |
| Developing countries  | -163.4 | -42.3 | -35.7 | . | . | . | . | . |
| Countries of Cent. and East. Europe | -31.7 | -8.2 | -6.9 | . | . | . | . | . |

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| SPECIFICATION | I - XII 2021 | 2020 | 2021 |
| bn PLN | bn USD | bn EUR | I - XII 2020 = 100 | I - XII |
| PLN | USD | EUR | structure in % |
| **IMPORTS (country of consignment)** |
| 1. Germany  | 343,7 | 89,4 | 75,3 | 122,8 | 124,3 | 119,1 | 27,6 | 26,3 |
| 2. China  | 129,8 | 33,6 | 28,4 | 137,2 | 138,5 | 133,1 | 9,3 | 9,9 |
| 3. Netherlands  | 83,7 | 21,7 | 18,3 | 133,8 | 135,7 | 129,8 | 6,2 | 6,4 |
| 4. Russia  | 78,0 | 20,2 | 17,1 | 167,2 | 168,2 | 161,2 | 4,6 | 6,0 |
| 5. Italy | 65,4 | 17,0 | 14,3 | 125,7 | 127,2 | 121,9 | 5,1 | 5,0 |
| 6. France | 50,3 | 13,1 | 11,0 | 130,4 | 132,1 | 126,2 | 3,8 | 3,8 |
| 7. Belgium  | 49,5 | 12,9 | 10,8 | 131,1 | 133,0 | 127,2 | 3,7 | 3,8 |
| 8. Czechia | 49,0 | 12,7 | 10,7 | 125,6 | 127,1 | 121,7 | 3,8 | 3,7 |
| 9. Slovakia | 31,2 | 8,1 | 6,8 | 128,6 | 130,4 | 124,8 | 2,4 | 2,4 |
| 10. Spain  | 30,6 | 8,0 | 6,7 | 123,4 | 125,2 | 119,7 | 2,4 | 2,3 |

# **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 5.4 pp, accordingly the share of the Netherlands was higher by 2.3 pp, Belgium by 1.3 pp, France by 0.5 pp and Czechia by 0.5 pp.

Table 4. Imports by country of consignment – countries

Imports from China according by country of consignment in comparison with imports by country of origin was lower by 5.0 pp

After twelve months of 2021 trade turnover in goods according to the SITC nomenclature compared to the same period of 2020 year, reported an increase in all commodity sections both in exports and imports.

In exports the largest increase concerned mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 73.6%), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 53.5%), crude materials inedible, except fuels (by 35.0%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 28.4%), chemicals and related products (by 24.7%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 22.2%), machinery and transport equipment (by 21.2%), commodities and transaction not classified elsewhere in the SITC (by 20.7%), food and live animals (by 13.8 %) and beverages and tobacco (by 2.7 %).

In imports an increase was recorded in commodities and transaction not classified elsewhere in the SITC (by 230.0%), mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 54.4%), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 41.3%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 37.8%), crude materials inedible, except fuels (by 35.3%), chemicals and related products (by 30.4%), machinery and transport equipment (by 22.1%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 21.3%), food and live animals (by 10.5%) and beverages and tobacco (by 6.4%).

Chart 1. Composition of exports by sections according to SITC nomenclature in I - XII 2021

Chart 2. Composition of imports by sections according to SITC nomenclature in I - XII 2021

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

 Collection of data on foreign trade turnover is open. Data published formerly is updated according to new customs documentation and INTRASTAT declarations. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Final data will be available at the end of July 2022. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Country of origin is the country where the commodity was produced or processed and in this form entered the Polish customs zone. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Country of consignment is the country from which the goods were introduced into the Polish territory irrespective of their origin. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)