

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

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 **3.2%**

exports increased in the same period last year (in PLN)

Foreign trade turnover¹ after two months this year according to exports at current prices amounted to PLN 169.5 bn, while imports amounted to PLN 164.2 bn. The positive balance reached the level of PLN 5.3 bn, while in the same period of 2019 year amounted to minus PLN 1.4 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of the 2019, exports increased by 3.2%, and imports decreased by 0.8%.

Foreign trade turnover expressed in US dollars and in EUR

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 44.3 bn USD while imports amounted to USD 42.9 bn (an increase in exports of 1.7% and decrease in imports of 2.3%). The positive balance reached the level of USD 1.4 bn, while in the same period 2019 year amounted to minus USD 0.4 bn.

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 39.9 bn while imports amounted to EUR 38.6 bn (an increase in exports of 4.1% and in imports it was at the same level as last year). The positive balance reached the EUR 1.3 bn and minus EUR 0.3 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 developed countries – 86.8% (of which EU 74.4%), and imports – 64.5% (of which EU 54.6%), as against 88.4% (of which EU 75.3%) and 66.2% (of which EU 56.4%) 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 amounted to 5.6%, and in imports – 7.9%, as against 5.2% and 7.6% in January – February 2019.

The negative balances were recorded with developing countries – minus PLN 32.4 bn (minus USD 8.4 bn, minus EUR 7.7 bn) and with countries Central and Eastern Europe – minus PLN 3.3 bn (minus USD 0.9 bn, minus EUR 0.7 bn). The positive balance was obtained in turnover with developed countries PLN 41.0 bn (USD 10.7 bn, EUR 9.7 bn), of which EU countries a balance of PLN 36.4 bn (USD 9.6 bn, EUR 8.6 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 – February 2019 are given in real condition, it means that data for EU was reduced by value of trade turnover United Kingdom.

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

SPECIFICATION	I – II 2020						2019	2020
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I – II 2019 = 100			I - II	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Exports	169.5	44.3	39.9	103.2	101.7	104.1	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	147.0	38.4	34.6	101.4	99.9	102.2	88.4	86.8
of which EU	126.0	33.0	29.7	102.0	100.5	102.9	75.3	74.4
of which euro-zone	98.2	25.7	23.1	102.0	100.5	102.8	58.7	57.9
Developing countries	12.9	3.4	3.0	121.5	119.7	122.5	6.4	7.6
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	9.6	2.5	2.3	112.7	111.0	113.6	5.2	5.6
Imports (country of origin)³	164.2	42.9	38.6	99.2	97.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	106.0	27.7	24.9	96.7	95.3	97.5	66.2	64.5
of which EU	89.6	23.4	21.1	96.0	94.6	96.8	56.4	54.6
of which euro-zone	74.0	19.3	17.4	96.4	94.9	97.2	46.4	45.0
Developing countries	45.3	11.8	10.7	104.3	102.8	105.2	26.2	27.6
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	12.9	3.4	3.0	102.9	101.3	103.7	7.6	7.9
Balance	5.3	1.4	1.3	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	41.0	10.7	9.7	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	36.4	9.6	8.6	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	24.2	6.4	5.7	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-32.4	-8.4	-7.7	.	.	.	.	.
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	-3.3	-0.9	-0.7	.	.	.	.	.

Foreign trade turnover by major countries

After two months this year among the main trade partners of Poland there was an increase in exports to France, Spain, Russia, Italy, Czechia and United States and imports – from South Korea, United States, Russia and China.

The turnover with the top ten of Polish trade partners in exports in January – February 2020 accounted for 65.8% (67.6% in the same period last year), while total imports – 64.7% (against 64.2% in January – February 2019) .

The share of Germany in exports decreased in comparison with the corresponding period of last year by 1.3 pp and amounted to 27.0%, and imports has decreased by 0.9 pp and accounted for 21.7%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 10.2 bn (USD 2.7 bn, EUR 2.4 bn) against PLN 9.0 bn (USD 2.4 bn, EUR 2.1 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 – II 2020						2019	2020
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I – II 2019 = 100			I - II	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
EXPORTS								
1. Germany	45.8	12.0	10.8	98.7	97.2	99.5	28.3	27.0
2. France	11.2	2.9	2.6	111.8	110.2	112.8	6.1	6.6
3. Czechia	10.3	2.7	2.4	102.3	100.7	103.1	6.1	6.1
4. United Kingdom	9.9	2.6	2.3	92.1	90.7	92.8	6.6	5.9
5. Italy	7.8	2.0	1.8	103.1	101.6	104.0	4.6	4.6
6. Netherlands	7.5	2.0	1.8	95.7	94.3	96.5	4.8	4.4
7. Sweden	4.8	1.3	1.1	98.7	97.3	99.5	3.0	2.9
8. United States	4.7	1.2	1.1	101.1	99.6	101.9	2.8	2.8
9. Russia	4.7	1.2	1.1	106.0	104.4	106.9	2.7	2.8
10. Spain	4.6	1.2	1.1	106.9	105.3	107.8	2.6	2.7
IMPORTS (country of origin)								
1. Germany	35.6	9.3	8.4	95.2	93.8	96.0	22.6	21.7
2. China	21.8	5.7	5.1	103.7	102.2	104.5	12.7	13.3
3. Russia	10.3	2.7	2.4	106.3	104.7	107.2	5.9	6.3
4. Italy	7.8	2.0	1.8	97.3	95.8	98.1	4.8	4.8
5. United States	5.9	1.6	1.4	111.4	109.8	112.3	3.2	3.6
6. France	5.9	1.6	1.4	97.5	96.0	98.3	3.7	3.6
7. Czechia	5.4	1.4	1.3	94.8	93.4	95.6	3.4	3.3
8. Netherlands	5.3	1.4	1.2	90.2	88.8	90.9	3.5	3.2
9. South Korea	4.0	1.1	1.0	121.6	119.8	122.6	2.0	2.5
10. Spain	3.9	1.0	0.9	97.3	95.9	98.1	2.4	2.4

Imports from United Kingdom after two months of this year amounted to PLN 3.6 bn, USD 1.0 bn and EUR 0.9 bn

Imports by country of consignment in total and by groups of counties

The highest turnover in imports by country of consignment Poland recorded with the developed countries - PLN 120.0 bn, of which the EU – PLN 108.5 bn, compared to PLN 122.2 bn, of which the EU - PLN 110.3 bn in the same period of 2019.

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

SPECIFICATION	I – II 2020						2019	2020
	bn	bn	bn	I – II 2019 = 100			I - II	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Imports (country of consignment) ⁴	164.2	42.9	38.6	99.2	97.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	120.0	31.4	28.2	98.2	96.8	99.0	73.8	73.1
of which EU	108.5	28.4	25.5	98.4	96.9	99.2	66.6	66.1
of which euro-zone	91.1	23.8	21.4	98.7	97.2	99.5	55.8	55.5
Developing countries	29.9	7.8	7.0	100.8	99.3	101.6	17.9	18.2
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	14.3	3.7	3.4	104.2	102.6	105.0	8.3	8.7
Balance	5.3	1.4	1.3	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	27.0	7.0	6.4	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	17.5	4.6	4.2	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	7.1	1.9	1.7	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-17.0	-4.4	-4.0	.	.	.	.	.
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	-4.7	-1.2	-1.1	.	.	.	.	.

Imports by country of consignment – by countries

The share of Netherlands in imports by country of consignment to imports by country of origin was higher by 1.9 pp, Belgium by 1.3 pp, Czechia by 0.7 pp and Russia and France by 0.5 pp.

Table 4. Imports by country of consignment – by countries

SPECIFICATION	I – II 2020						2019	2020
	bn	bn	bn	I – II 2019 = 100			I - XI	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
IMPORTS (country of consignment)								
1. Germany	44.4	11.6	10.5	97.8	96.4	98.6	27.4	27.1
2. China	14.7	3.8	3.5	103.0	101.4	103.8	8.6	8.9
3. Russia	11.2	2.9	2.6	107.7	106.1	108.6	6.3	6.8
4. Netherlands	8.4	2.2	2.0	96.6	95.1	97.4	5.3	5.1
5. Italy	7.8	2.0	1.8	99.7	98.2	100.5	4.7	4.8
6. France	6.7	1.8	1.6	102.8	101.3	103.6	3.9	4.1
7. Czechia	6.5	1.7	1.5	98.6	97.1	99.4	4.0	4.0
8. Belgium	5.8	1.5	1.4	98.3	96.9	99.1	3.5	3.5
9. United Kingdom	4.0	1.0	0.9	92.3	90.9	93.1	2.6	2.4
10. Spain	3.9	1.0	0.9	100.8	99.3	101.7	2.4	2.4

Imports from China according by country of consignment to imports by country of origin was lower by 4.4 pp, and from Germany at the same level

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

After two months 2020 year in trade turnover in goods according to the SITC nomenclature, as compared to two months 2019 year, there was an increase in most commodity sectors.

In export the largest increase concerned in beverages and tobacco (by 11.1%), chemicals and related products (by 6.5%), food and live animals and miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 5.8%), while decrease was reported in mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 14.3%).

In import the largest increase was recorded in animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 19.5%) and miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 7.7%) while decrease was observed in commodities and transaction not classified elsewhere in the SITC (by 35.3%), crude minerals inedible, except fuels (by 10.9%) and in manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 6.7%).

Chart 1. Composition of exports by sections according to SITC nomenclature in I – II 2020

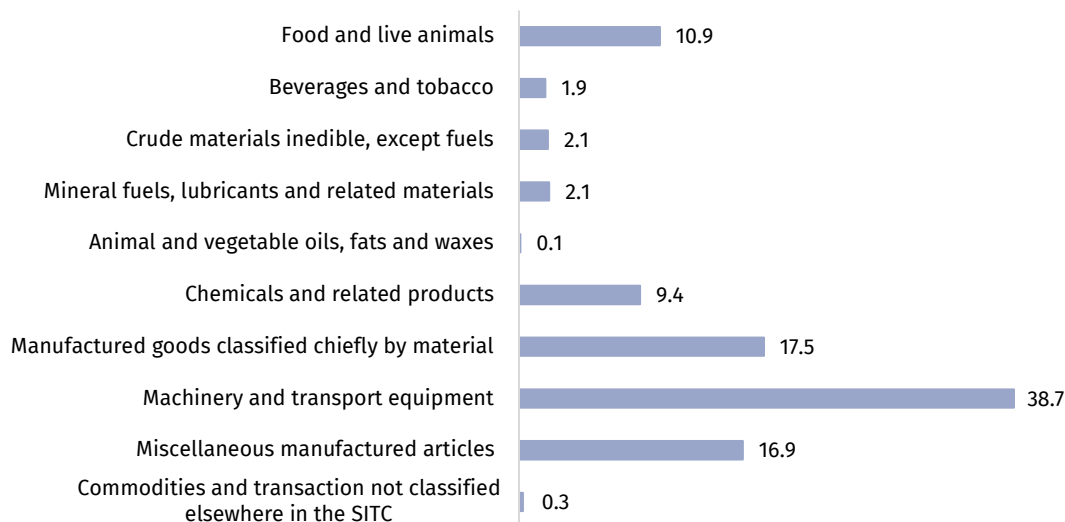
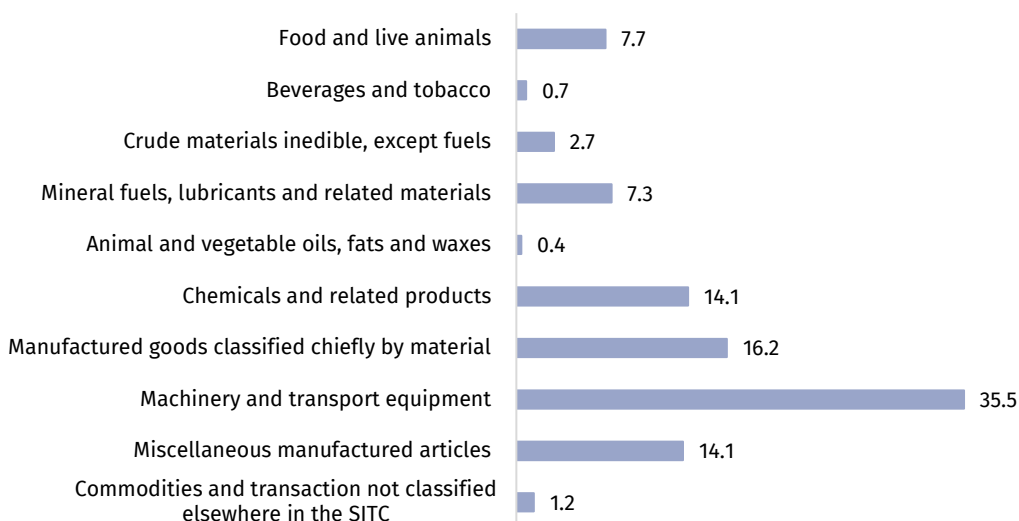


Chart 2. Composition of imports by sections according to SITC nomenclature in I – II 2020



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