

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

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**+8.2 bn
balance in PLN**

Foreign trade turnover¹ in January – September 2021 in exports at current prices amounted to PLN 942.9 bn, while in imports - PLN 934.7 bn. The positive balance reached the level of PLN 8.2 bn, while in the same period of 2020 year amounted to PLN 29.9 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of 2020 exports increased by 24.4%, while imports by 28.4%.

Foreign trade turnover expressed in US dollars and in EUR

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 248.6 bn, while imports amounted to USD 246.4 bn (an increase in exports of 28.8% and in imports of 32.8%). The positive balance reached the level of USD 2.2 bn, while in the same period of 2020 year amounted to USD 7.5 bn.

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 207.4 bn, while imports amounted to EUR 205.6 bn (an increase in exports of 20.3% and in imports of 24.1%). The positive balance reached EUR 1.8 bn, while EUR 6.7 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 – 63.4% (of which EU 54.8%), in comparison with 86.4% (of which EU 73.9%) and 65.3% (of which EU 55.5%) 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 5.7%, and in imports – 7.6%, in comparison with 6.0% and 6.3% in the January – September 2020 period.

The negative balance was recorded with the developing countries – minus PLN 195.1 bn (minus USD 51.4 bn, minus EUR 42.9 bn) and with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe minus PLN 17.8 bn (minus USD 4.7 bn, minus EUR 3.9 bn). The positive balance was obtained in turnover with the developed countries PLN 221.2 bn (USD 58.3 bn, EUR 48.6 bn), of which with the EU countries the balance of PLN 193.0 bn (USD 50.9 bn, EUR 42.4 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.

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

SPECIFICATION	I - IX 2021						2020	2021
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I - IX 2020 = 100			I - IX	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Exports	942.9	248.6	207.4	124.4	128.8	120.3	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	813.4	214.5	178.9	124.2	128.6	120.1	86.4	86.3
of which EU	704.8	185.9	155.1	125.8	130.2	121.6	73.9	74.8
of which euro-zone	555.7	146.5	122.3	127.0	131.4	122.7	57.8	58.9
Developing countries	75.8	20.0	16.7	132.0	136.8	127.7	7.6	8.0
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	53.6	14.1	11.8	118.1	122.2	114.2	6.0	5.7
Imports (country of origin)²	934.7	246.4	205.6	128.4	132.8	124.1	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	592.3	156.2	130.3	124.7	129.0	120.4	65.3	63.4
of which EU	511.9	135.0	112.6	126.6	131.0	122.3	55.5	54.8
of which euro-zone	425.2	112.1	93.5	127.1	131.6	122.8	45.9	45.5
Developing countries	271.0	71.4	59.6	130.8	135.3	126.5	28.4	29.0
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	71.5	18.8	15.7	156.9	161.8	151.1	6.3	7.6
Balance	8.2	2.2	1.8	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	221.2	58.3	48.6	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	193.0	50.9	42.4	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	130.5	34.4	28.7	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-195.1	-51.4	-42.9	.	.	.	.	.
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	-17.8	-4.7	-3.9	.	.	.	.	.

Foreign trade turnover by major countries

After three quarters 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% (65.8% in the same period of the last year), while in total imports – 64.6% (in comparison with 64.2% in January – September 2020).

The share of Germany in exports was at the same level in comparison with the corresponding period of the last year and amounted to 28.7% and in imports decreased by 0.6 pp and accounted for 21.2%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 72.7 bn (USD 19.1 bn, EUR 16.0 bn) in comparison with PLN 58.6 bn (USD 14.9 bn, EUR 13.3 bn) in the same period of 2020.

² 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 – IX 2021						2020	2021
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I – IX 2020 = 100			I - IX	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
EXPORTS								
1. Germany	270.8	71.4	59.6	124.7	129.1	120.6	28.7	28.7
2. Czechia	55.8	14.7	12.3	124.2	128.5	120.0	5.9	5.9
3. France	54.4	14.4	12.0	128.1	132.5	123.7	5.6	5.8
4. United Kingdom	47.7	12.6	10.5	110.5	114.1	106.7	5.7	5.1
5. Italy	43.9	11.6	9.7	136.7	141.2	132.0	4.2	4.7
6. Netherlands	39.6	10.5	8.7	120.5	124.7	116.5	4.3	4.2
7. Russia	26.3	6.9	5.8	116.3	120.4	112.5	3.0	2.8
8. Sweden	25.8	6.8	5.7	118.0	122.1	114.1	2.9	2.7
9. United States	25.1	6.6	5.5	111.8	116.3	108.3	3.0	2.7
10. Spain	23.8	6.3	5.2	127.3	131.4	122.8	2.5	2.5
IMPORTS (country of origin)								
1. Germany	198.1	52.3	43.6	124.9	129.2	120.7	21.8	21.2
2. China	133.9	35.3	29.5	130.4	134.9	126.3	14.1	14.3
3. Russia	51.2	13.5	11.3	152.1	156.8	146.3	4.6	5.5
4. Italy	47.6	12.6	10.5	131.1	135.5	126.6	5.0	5.1
5. Netherlands	38.4	10.1	8.4	133.2	138.3	128.9	4.0	4.1
6. France	31.9	8.4	7.0	126.7	131.2	122.3	3.5	3.4
7. Czechia	29.8	7.9	6.6	126.9	131.0	122.4	3.2	3.2
8. United States	26.9	7.1	5.9	114.9	119.2	110.9	3.2	2.9
9. Belgium	24.2	6.4	5.3	140.7	145.9	136.0	2.4	2.6
10. South Korea	21.8	5.8	4.8	125.2	129.7	120.9	2.4	2.3

Imports from the United Kingdom in January - September of 2021 amounted to PLN 15.2 bn, USD 4.0 bn and EUR 3.3 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 674.8 bn, of which with the EU – PLN 623.9 bn, compared to PLN 542.5 bn, of which with the EU - PLN 492.5 bn in the same period of 2020.

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

SPECIFICATION	I – IX 2021						2020	2021
	bn	bn	bn	I - IX 2020 = 100			I - IX	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Imports (country of consignment) ³	934.7	246.4	205.6	128.4	132.8	124.1	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	674.8	177.9	148.4	124.4	128.7	120.2	74.5	72.2
of which EU	623.9	164.5	137.3	126.7	131.1	122.4	67.7	66.7
of which euro-zone	529.1	139.5	116.4	127.2	131.6	122.9	57.1	56.6
Developing countries	187.0	49.2	41.1	136.3	140.9	131.7	18.9	20.0
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	73.0	19.2	16.0	151.6	156.2	145.9	6.6	7.8
Balance	8.2	2.2	1.8	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	138.7	36.5	30.5	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	81.0	21.3	17.8	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	26.6	7.0	5.9	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-111.2	-29.2	-24.4	.	.	.	.	.
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	-19.3	-5.1	-4.3	.	.	.	.	.

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 5.3 pp, accordingly the share of the Netherlands was higher by 2.3 pp, Belgium by 1.3 pp, Czechia by 0.6 pp and France by 0.4 pp.

Table 4. Imports by country of consignment – countries

SPECIFICATION	I – IX 2021						2020	2021
	bn	bn	bn	I - IX 2020 = 100			I - IX	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
IMPORTS (country of consignment)								
1. Germany	248.2	65.5	54.6	124.2	128.5	120.0	27.4	26.5
2. China	89.8	23.7	19.8	134.6	139.3	130.3	9.2	9.6
3. Netherlands	60.0	15.8	13.2	134.2	139.2	129.8	6.2	6.4
4. Russia	51.3	13.5	11.3	146.9	151.3	141.2	4.8	5.5
5. Italy	47.8	12.6	10.5	132.8	137.3	128.2	4.9	5.1
6. Belgium	36.2	9.5	8.0	132.1	136.8	127.6	3.8	3.9
7. France	35.9	9.5	7.9	128.9	133.4	124.4	3.8	3.8
8. Czechia	35.2	9.3	7.7	124.0	128.1	119.7	3.9	3.8
9. Slovakia	22.8	6.0	5.0	133.5	138.2	129.0	2.4	2.4
10. Spain	22.6	6.0	5.0	128.4	133.1	124.1	2.4	2.4

Imports from China according by country of consignment in comparison with imports by country of origin was lower by 4.7 pp

³ Country of consignment is the country from which the goods were introduced into the Polish territory irrespective of their origin.

After nine 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 49.6%), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 43.2%), crude materials inedible, except fuels (by 36.7%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 28.6%), machinery and transport equipment (by 26.8%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 23.9%), chemicals and related products (by 22.5%), food and live animals (by 12.1%), commodities and transaction not classified elsewhere in the SITC (by 7.7%) and beverages and tobacco (by 0.7 %).

In imports an increase was recorded in commodities and transaction not classified elsewhere in the SITC (by 131.7%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 38.9%), mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 38.2%), crude materials inedible, except fuels (by 37.5%), chemicals and related products (by 29.8%), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 29.4%), machinery and transport equipment (by 25.7%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 22.4%), food and live animals (by 7.7%) and beverages and tobacco (by 4.7%).

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

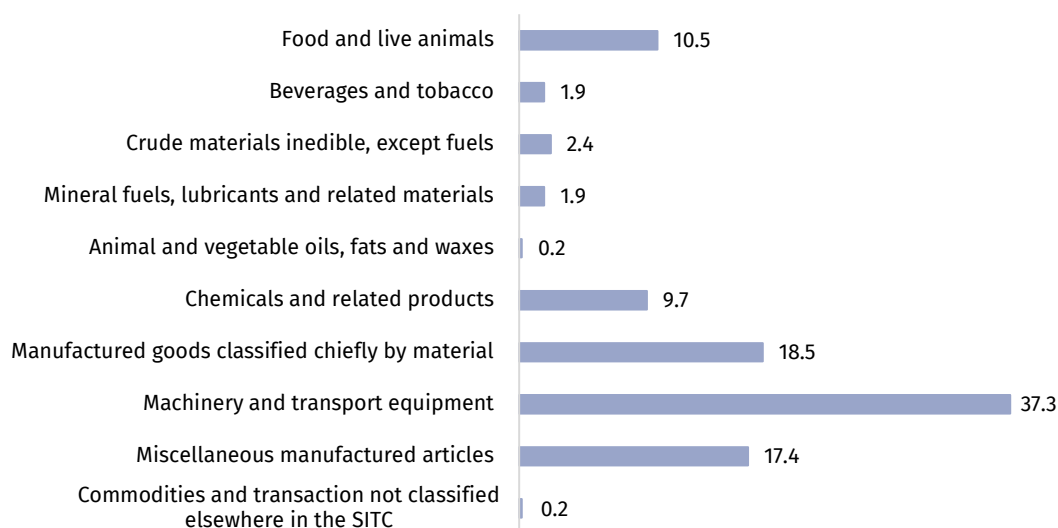
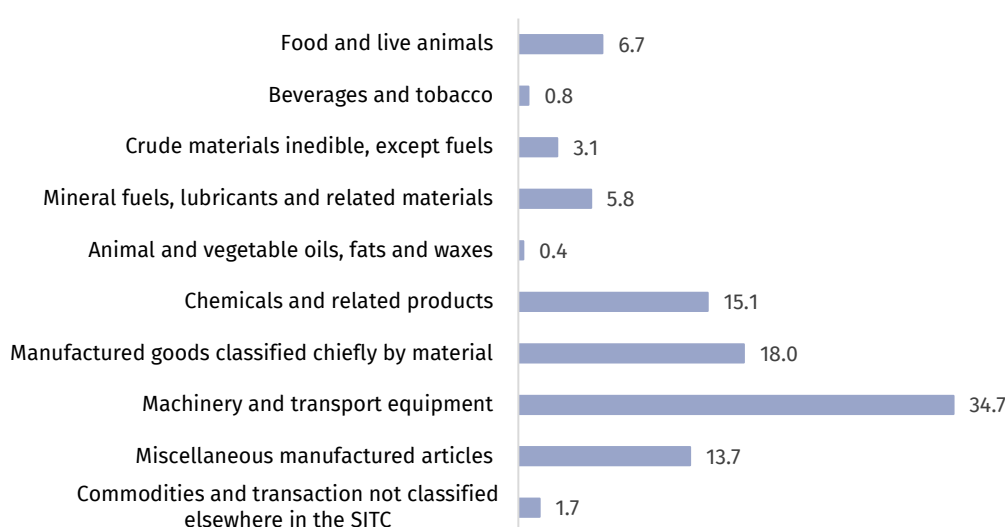


Chart 2. Composition of imports by sections according to SITC nomenclature in I - IX 2021



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