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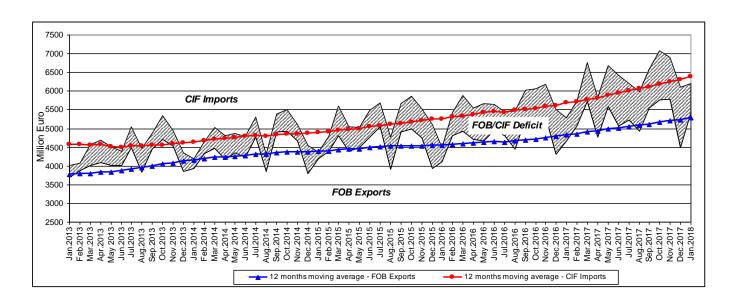


Domain: International trade with goods

In January 2018, the exports and imports increased by 15.9% and by 17.3%, respectively, compared to January 2017

- In January 2018, the FOB exports amounted to 5422.9 million euro and the CIF imports amounted to 6197.9 million euro.
- In January 2018, the FOB-CIF commercial deficit was of 775.0 million euro, 169.8 million euro more than in the January 2017.
- Compared to December 2017, the exports increased by 20.7% and the imports increased by
 1.5% in January 2018.

Exports, imports and FOB/CIF balance during January 2013 – January 2018

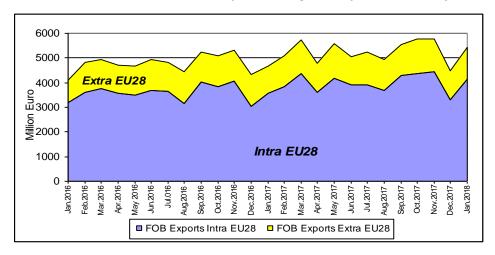


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In January 2018, the Intra-EU28 trade of goods amounted to 4146.2 million euro for dispatches and to 4589.7 million euro for arrivals, representing 76.5% of total exports and 74.1% of total imports.

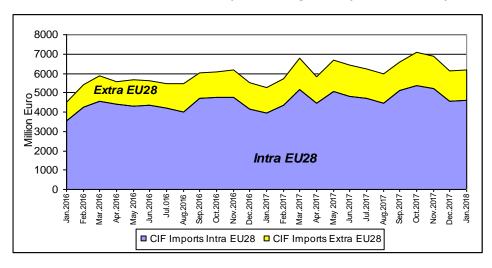
In January 2018, the Extra-EU28 trade of goods amounted to 1276.7 million euro for exports and to 1608.2million euro for imports, representing 23.5% of total exports and 25.9% of total imports.

INTRA – EU28 and EXTRA – EU28 exports during January 2016 – January 2018



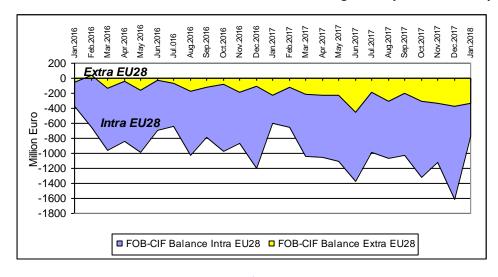
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INTRA - EU28 and EXTRA - EU28 imports during January 2016 - January 2018



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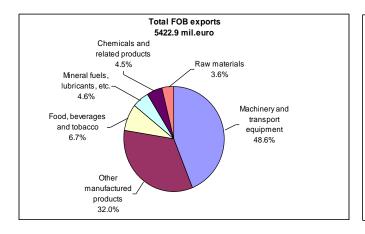
FOB-CIF balance for INTRA - EU28 and EXTRA - EU28 during January 2016 - January 2018

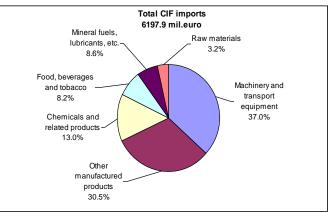


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In January 2018, important weights in the structure of exports and imports are represented by the following groups of goods: machinery and transport equipment (48.6% for export and 37.0% for import) and other manufactured goods*) (32.0% for export and 30.5% for import, respectively).

The international trade structure, by product groups, in January 2018





Graph data in .xls format.

Additional information:

FOB/CIF trade balance is calculated on the basis of the FOB export value and CIF import value as difference between them. The negative balance of the trade balance is called deficit and the positive one is called excedent.

FOB price (Free on Board) represents the price at the border of the exporting country, which includes the value of the commodity, all transport expenditures to the shipping point as well as all the fees for the commodity to be loaded on board.

CIF price (Cost, Insurance, Freight) represents **the price at the border of the importing country**, including both components of FOB price and the cost of insurance as well as the cost of the international transport.

For a correct interpretation of the indicators, kindly see the Methodological Notes.

The statistical data on exports (FOB), imports (CIF) and FOB-CIF balance, in both euro and lei, can be accessed in the Annex in .xls format related to the press release.

Details regarding the international trade of goods for December and the year 2017 will be given in the Statistical Bulletin of International Trade no.12/2017, date of issue March 21, 2018.

Details regarding the international trade of goods for January 2018 will be given in the Statistical Bulletin of International Trade no.1/2018, date of issue April 23, 2018.

The next press release on the international trade of goods, for February and the period 1.I-28.II 2018, will appear on April 10, 2018.

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For international comparison, kindly see the Eurostat press release which will appear on Monday, March 19, 2018 (http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat).

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^{*)} Manufactured goods mainly grouped by the raw material (iron, steel, rubber, metal, etc.) and other manufactured goods (clothes and accessories, footwear, etc.)