

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

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**+8.8 bn  
balance in PLN**

Foreign trade turnover<sup>1</sup> in January – February 2021 in exports at current prices amounted to PLN 185.6 bn, while in imports - PLN 176.8 bn. The positive balance reached the level of PLN 8.8 bn, while in the same period of 2020 year amounted to PLN 4.3 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of 2020 exports increased by 7.2%, while imports by 4.7%.

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

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 50.0 bn, while imports amounted to USD 47.6 bn (an increase in exports of 10.5% and in imports of 7.9%). The positive balance reached the level of USD 2.4 bn, while in the same period of 2020 year amounted to USD 1.1 bn.

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 41.1 bn, while imports amounted to EUR 39.2 bn (an increase in exports of 1.0% and a decreased in imports of 1.4%). The positive balance reached the EUR 2.0 bn, EUR 1.0 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 – 86.6% (of which EU 75.3%) and in imports – 62.7% (of which EU 54.4%), in comparison with 87.0% (of which EU 74.8%) and 64.9% (of which EU 55.1%) 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 5.2%, and in imports – 7.0%, in comparison with 5.6% and 7.5% in the January - February 2020 period.

The negative balance was recorded with the developing countries – minus PLN 38.3 bn (minus USD 10.3 bn, minus EUR 8.5 bn) and with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe minus PLN 2.7 bn (minus USD 0.7 bn, minus EUR 0.6 bn). The positive balance was obtained in turnover with the developed countries PLN 49.9 bn (USD 13.4 bn, EUR 11.0 bn), of which with the EU countries the balance of PLN 43.6 bn (USD 11.8 bn, EUR 9.7 bn).

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

<sup>1</sup> 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 - II 2021						2020	2021
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I - II 2020 = 100			I - II	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
<b>Exports</b>	<b>185.6</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>107.2</b>	<b>110.5</b>	<b>101.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Developed countries	160.6	43.3	35.6	106.6	109.9	100.4	87.0	86.6
of which EU	139.8	37.7	31.0	108.0	111.3	101.7	74.8	75.3
of which euro-zone	110.8	29.9	24.6	110.0	113.4	103.6	58.2	59.7
Developing countries	15.2	4.1	3.4	118.8	122.4	111.9	7.4	8.2
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	9.7	2.6	2.2	100.5	103.5	94.6	5.6	5.2
<b>Imports (country of origin)<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>176.8</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>39.2</b>	<b>104.7</b>	<b>107.9</b>	<b>98.6</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Developed countries	110.8	29.8	24.5	101.1	104.2	95.2	64.9	62.7
of which EU	96.2	25.9	21.3	103.5	106.6	97.4	55.1	54.4
of which euro-zone	79.8	21.5	17.7	104.0	107.2	97.9	45.4	45.1
Developing countries	53.5	14.4	11.9	115.1	118.6	108.4	27.6	30.3
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	12.5	3.4	2.8	98.4	101.4	92.7	7.5	7.0
<b>Balance</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.0</b>	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	49.9	13.4	11.0	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	43.6	11.8	9.7	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	31.1	8.4	6.9	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-38.3	-10.3	-8.5	.	.	.	.	.
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	-2.7	-0.7	-0.6	.	.	.	.	.

### Foreign trade turnover by major countries

In January – February 2021 among the main trade partners of Poland there was a decrease in exports to United Kingdom and Czechia and in imports – from United States, Russia, South Korea and France.

The turnover with the top ten of Polish trade partners in exports accounted for 65.6% (65.8% in the same period of the last year), while in total imports – 64.9% (in comparison with 64,5% in January - February 2020) .

The share of Germany in exports increased in comparison with the corresponding period of the last year by 2.0 pp and amounted to 29.0%, while in imports decreased by 0.5 pp and accounted for 21.2%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 16.4 bn (USD 4.4 bn, EUR 3.6 bn) in comparison with PLN 10.2 bn (USD 2.7 bn, EUR 2.4 bn) in the same period of 2020.

<sup>2</sup> 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 2021						2020	2021
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I - II 2020 = 100			I - II	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
<b>EXPORTS</b>								
1. Germany	53.9	14.5	11.9	113.5	117.0	106.9	27.0	29.0
2. France	11.5	3.1	2.5	104.5	107.7	98.4	6.6	6.2
3. Czechia	10.3	2.8	2.3	97.0	100.0	91.4	6.1	5.5
4. Italy	9.1	2.5	2.0	112.6	116.0	106.0	4.6	4.9
5. United Kingdom	8.9	2.4	2.0	87.8	90.4	82.6	5.9	4.8
6. Netherlands	8.1	2.2	1.8	107.5	110.8	101.3	4.4	4.4
7. Sweden	5.3	1.4	1.2	109.3	112.7	102.9	2.9	2.9
8. Spain	5.0	1.3	1.1	103.4	106.6	97.4	2.7	2.7
9. Russia	5.0	1.3	1.1	106.2	109.4	100.0	2.8	2.7
10. United States	4.7	1.3	1.0	100.9	104.0	95.0	2.8	2.5
<b>IMPORTS (country of origin)</b>								
1. Germany	37,5	10,1	8,3	103,2	106,4	97,2	21,7	21,2
2. China	26,9	7,3	6,0	121,1	124,9	114,1	13,3	15,2
3. Italy	9,2	2,5	2,0	111,3	114,7	104,8	4,8	5,2
4. Russia	9,2	2,5	2,0	91,3	94,1	86,0	6,3	5,2
5. Netherlands	7,1	1,9	1,6	117,6	121,2	110,7	3,2	4,0
6. France	6,0	1,6	1,3	97,7	100,7	92,0	3,6	3,4
7. Czechia	5,7	1,5	1,3	101,7	104,9	95,8	3,3	3,2
8. United States	4,8	1,3	1,1	79,8	82,2	75,2	3,6	2,7
9. South Korea	4,4	1,2	1,0	97,5	100,5	91,9	2,5	2,5
10. Belgium	4,1	1,1	0,9	112,3	115,7	105,7	2,2	2,3

Imports from the United Kingdom in January - February of 2021 amounted to PLN 2.4 bn, USD 0.6 bn and EUR 0.5 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 128.0 bn, of which with the EU – PLN 119.3 bn, compared to PLN 124.7 bn, of which with the EU - PLN 113.0 bn in the same period of 2020.

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

SPECIFICATION	I - II 2021						2020	2021
	bn	bn	bn	I - II 2020 = 100			I - II	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
<b>Imports</b> (country of consignment) <sup>3</sup>	<b>176.8</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>39.2</b>	<b>104.7</b>	<b>107.9</b>	<b>98.6</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Developed countries	128.0	34.5	28.4	102.6	105.8	96.7	73.9	72.4
of which EU	119.3	32.1	26.4	105.6	108.8	99.5	66.9	67.5
of which euro-zone	100.8	27.2	22.3	106.2	109.4	100.0	56.2	57.0
Developing countries	35.7	9.6	7.9	118.4	122.0	111.5	17.8	20.2
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	13.2	3.5	2.9	94.1	96.9	88.6	8.3	7.4
<b>Balance</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.0</b>	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	32.7	8.8	7.2	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	20.5	5.5	4.5	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	10.0	2.7	2.2	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-20.4	-5.5	-4.5	.	.	.	.	.
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	-3.4	-0.9	-0.8	.	.	.	.	.

**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 5.7 pp, accordingly the share of the Netherlands was higher by 2.3 pp, Belgium by 1.5 pp, Czechia by 0.8 pp and France by 0.5 pp.

**Table 4. Imports by country of consignment – countries**

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	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
<b>IMPORTS (country of consignment)</b>								
1. Germany	47.6	12.8	10.5	103.7	106.9	97.7	27.1	26.9
2. China	17.9	4.8	4.0	120.5	124.2	113.5	8.9	10.1
3. Netherlands	11.2	3.0	2.5	119.3	123.0	112.4	5.1	6.3
4. Russia	9.5	2.6	2.1	87.9	90.6	82.8	6.8	5.4
5. Italy	9.1	2.5	2.0	111.2	114.6	104.7	4.8	5.2
6. Czechia	7.0	1.9	1.6	103.9	107.1	97.9	4.0	4.0
7. France	6.8	1.8	1.5	98.3	101.2	92.5	4.1	3.9
8. Belgium	6.7	1.8	1.5	113.3	116.8	106.7	3.5	3.8
9. Slovakia	4.6	1.2	1.0	117.5	121.1	110.7	2.2	2.6
10. Spain	4.2	1.1	0.9	102.7	105.8	96.7	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

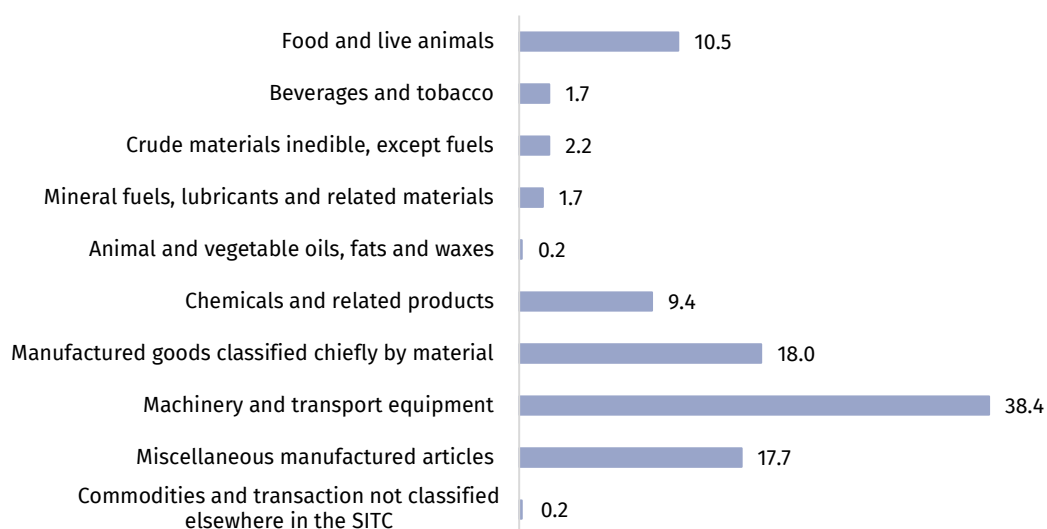
<sup>3</sup> Country of consignment is the country from which the goods were introduced into the Polish territory irrespective of their origin.

In January - February 2021 trade turnover in goods according to the SITC nomenclature compared to the same period of 2020 year, reported an increase in most commodity sections both in imports and in exports.

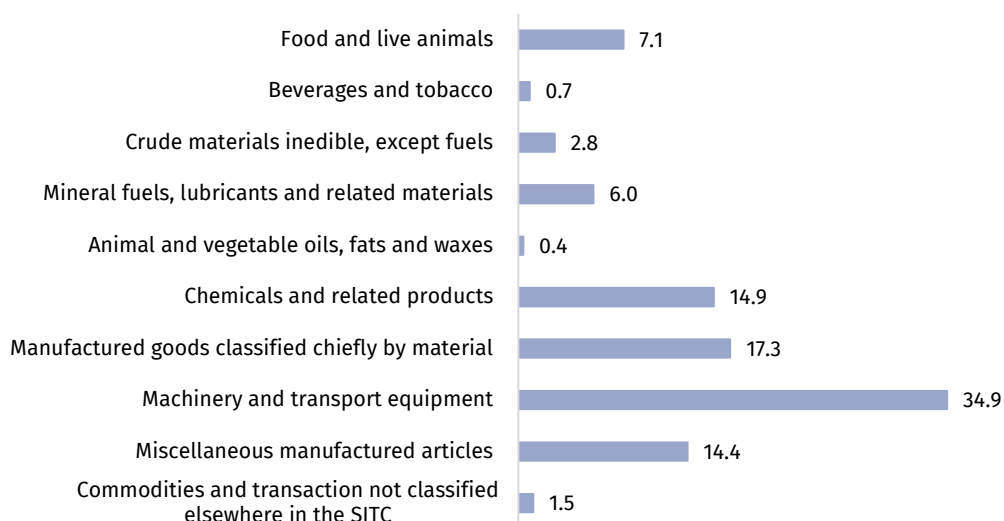
In exports the largest increase concerned animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 37.2%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 11.6%), chemicals and related products (by 9.3%), crude materials inedible, except fuels (by 8.9%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 8.7%), machinery and transport equipment (by 7.0%) and food and live animals (by 3.2%), while a decrease was reported among others in mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 14.9%) and beverages and tobacco (by 1.9%).

In imports the largest increase was recorded among others in chemicals and related products (by 12.3%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 10.8%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 9.1%), crude minerals inedible, except fuels (by 3.9%), beverages and tobacco (by 2.7%) and in machinery and transport equipment (by 1.0%), while a decrease was observed in mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 12.3%).

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



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



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