

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

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**+8.3 bn
balance in PLN**

Foreign trade turnover¹ in January – August 2021 in exports at current prices amounted to PLN 829.5 bn, while in imports - PLN 821.2 bn. The positive balance reached the level of PLN 8.3 bn, while in the same period of 2020 year amounted to PLN 23.2 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of 2020 exports increased by 25.9%, while imports by 29.2%.

Foreign trade turnover expressed in US dollars and in EUR

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 219.4 bn, while imports amounted to USD 217.2 bn (an increase in exports of 32.1% and in imports of 35.5%). The positive balance reached the level of USD 2.2 bn, while in the same period of 2020 year amounted to USD 5.7 bn.

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 182.5 bn, while imports amounted to EUR 180.7 bn (an increase in exports of 21.8% and in imports of 24.9%). The positive balance reached EUR 1.8 bn, while EUR 5.2 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 – 86.2% (of which EU 74.7%) and in imports – 63.5% (of which EU 54.9%), in comparison with 86.3% (of which EU 73.7%) and 65.3% (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 5.7%, and in imports – 7.6%, in comparison with 6.0% and 6.4% in the January – August 2020 period.

The negative balance was recorded with the developing countries – minus PLN 169.8 bn (minus USD 44.9 bn, minus EUR 37.4 bn) and with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe minus PLN 15.4 bn (minus USD 4.1 bn, minus EUR 3.4 bn). The positive balance was obtained in turnover with the developed countries PLN 193.5 bn (USD 51.2 bn, EUR 42.6 bn), of which with the EU countries the balance of PLN 168.9 bn (USD 44.7 bn, EUR 37.2 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 - VIII 2021						2020	2021
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I - VIII 2020 = 100			I - VIII structure in %	
				PLN	USD	EUR		
Exports	829.5	219.4	182.5	125.9	132.1	121.8	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	715.1	189.2	157.4	125.8	132.0	121.7	86.3	86.2
of which EU	619.8	164.0	136.4	127.7	134.0	123.5	73.7	74.7
of which euro-zone	489.0	129.4	107.6	129.1	135.5	124.9	57.5	59.0
Developing countries	67.3	17.8	14.8	133.2	139.9	128.9	7.7	8.1
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	47.1	12.4	10.4	118.8	124.6	115.0	6.0	5.7
Imports (country of origin)²	821.2	217.2	180.7	129.2	135.5	124.9	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	521.6	138.0	114.8	125.8	131.9	121.5	65.3	63.5
of which EU	450.9	119.3	99.2	128.1	134.3	123.8	55.4	54.9
of which euro-zone	374.6	99.1	82.4	128.5	134.8	124.2	45.9	45.6
Developing countries	237.1	62.7	52.2	131.6	138.0	127.4	28.3	28.9
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	62.5	16.5	13.7	153.7	160.4	148.1	6.4	7.6
Balance	8.3	2.2	1.8	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	193.5	51.2	42.6	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	168.9	44.7	37.2	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	114.4	30.3	25.2	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-169.8	-44.9	-37.4	.	.	.	.	.
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	-15.4	-4.1	-3.4	.	.	.	.	.

Foreign trade turnover by major countries

After eight months of 2021 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 65.0% (65.6% in the same period of the last year), while in total imports – 64.6% (in comparison with 64.1% in January – August 2020).

The share of Germany in exports increased in comparison with the corresponding period of the last year by 0.2 pp and amounted to 28.8% and in imports decreased by 0.4 pp and accounted for 21.3%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 64.0 bn (USD 16.9 bn, EUR 14.1 bn) in comparison with PLN 50.5 bn (USD 12.7 bn, EUR 11.4 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 – VIII 2021						2020	2021
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I – VIII 2020 = 100			I - VIII	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
EXPORTS								
1. Germany	238.5	63.1	52.5	126.7	133.0	122.6	28.6	28.8
2. Czechia	49.1	13.0	10.8	125.5	131.6	121.3	5.9	5.9
3. France	48.2	12.8	10.6	130.7	137.0	126.3	5.6	5.8
4. United Kingdom	41.7	11.0	9.2	111.4	116.7	107.6	5.7	5.0
5. Italy	38.7	10.3	8.5	141.6	148.6	136.9	4.2	4.7
6. Netherlands	34.7	9.2	7.6	122.1	128.2	118.1	4.3	4.2
7. Russia	23.1	6.1	5.1	117.2	123.0	113.4	3.0	2.8
8. Sweden	22.7	6.0	5.0	120.2	126.3	116.3	2.9	2.7
9. United States	21.9	5.8	4.8	109.1	114.9	105.8	3.0	2.6
10. Spain	20.8	5.5	4.6	129.4	135.5	124.9	2.4	2.5
IMPORTS (country of origin)								
1. Germany	174.5	46.2	38.4	126.7	132.8	122.4	21.7	21.3
2. China	116.7	30.9	25.7	131.2	137.7	127.1	14.0	14.2
3. Russia	44.8	11.8	9.9	148.5	154.8	142.9	4.7	5.5
4. Italy	42.1	11.1	9.3	134.8	141.3	130.2	4.9	5.1
5. Netherlands	33.2	8.8	7.3	130.1	136.8	125.9	4.0	4.0
6. France	28.5	7.5	6.3	129.8	136.1	125.3	3.5	3.5
7. Czechia	26.4	7.0	5.8	131.0	137.2	126.5	3.2	3.2
8. United States	24.0	6.3	5.3	113.3	118.8	109.4	3.3	2.9
9. Belgium	21.4	5.7	4.7	141.6	148.7	137.0	2.4	2.6
10. South Korea	19.2	5.1	4.2	123.8	129.8	119.6	2.4	2.3

Imports from the United Kingdom in January - August of 2021 amounted to PLN 13.1 bn, USD 3.5 bn and EUR 2.9 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 594.0 bn, of which with the EU – PLN 549.1 bn, compared to PLN 473.0 bn, of which with the EU - PLN 428.5 bn in the same period of 2020.

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

SPECIFICATION	I - VIII 2021						2020	2021
	bn	bn	bn	I - VIII 2020 = 100			I - VIII	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Imports (country of consignment) ³	821.2	217.2	180.7	129.2	135.5	124.9	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	594.0	157.1	130.7	125.6	131.7	121.4	74.4	72.3
of which EU	549.1	145.3	120.8	128.2	134.4	123.9	67.4	66.9
of which euro-zone	465.9	123.3	102.5	128.6	134.9	124.3	57.0	56.7
Developing countries	163.2	43.1	35.9	136.7	143.4	132.3	18.8	19.9
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	64.0	16.9	14.1	148.4	154.7	142.9	6.8	7.8
Balance	8.3	2.2	1.8	.	.	.	.	.
Developed countries	121.1	32.0	26.6	.	.	.	.	.
of which EU	70.7	18.7	15.6	.	.	.	.	.
of which euro-zone	23.1	6.1	5.1	.	.	.	.	.
Developing countries	-95.9	-25.3	-21.1	.	.	.	.	.
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	-16.9	-4.5	-3.7	.	.	.	.	.

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 - VIII 2021						2020	2021
	bn	bn	bn	I - VIII 2020 = 100			I - VIII	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
IMPORTS (country of consignment)								
1. Germany	218.7	57.9	48.1	125.8	132.0	121.6	27.3	26.6
2. China	78.3	20.7	17.2	134.6	141.3	130.4	9.2	9.5
3. Netherlands	51.8	13.7	11.4	131.9	138.6	127.7	6.2	6.3
4. Russia	44.9	11.9	9.9	143.3	149.2	137.8	4.9	5.5
5. Italy	42.2	11.2	9.3	137.0	143.6	132.3	4.8	5.1
6. Belgium	31.8	8.4	7.0	132.8	139.4	128.4	3.8	3.9
7. France	31.7	8.4	7.0	129.9	136.2	125.4	3.8	3.9
8. Czechia	31.1	8.2	6.9	127.8	133.8	123.4	3.8	3.8
9. Slovakia	20.2	5.3	4.4	135.5	142.1	131.0	2.3	2.5
10. Spain	20.0	5.3	4.4	129.9	136.4	125.6	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 eight 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 43.6%), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 40.8%), crude materials inedible, except fuels (by 38.2%), machinery and transport equipment (by 30.4%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 29.0%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 25.6%), chemicals and related products (by 22.8%), food and live animals (by 11.3%), commodities and transaction not classified elsewhere in the SITC (by 2.6%) and beverages and tobacco (by 1.3 %).

In imports an increase was recorded in commodities and transaction not classified elsewhere in the SITC (by 126.6%), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (by 39.4%), crude materials inedible, except fuels (by 36.3%), mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (by 35.6%), chemicals and related products (by 29.9%), machinery and transport equipment (by 28.1%), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (by 26.0%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (by 23.5%), beverages and tobacco (by 8.6%) and food and live animals (by 6.9%).

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

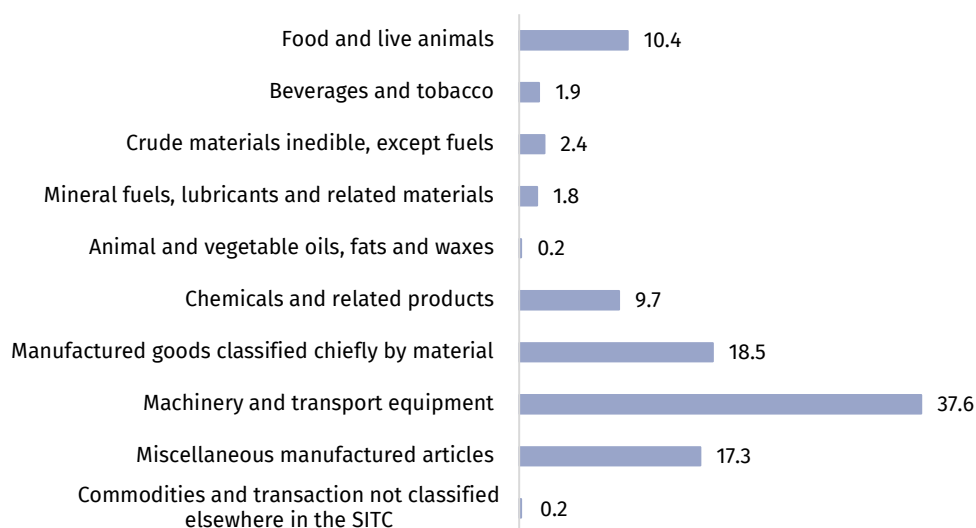
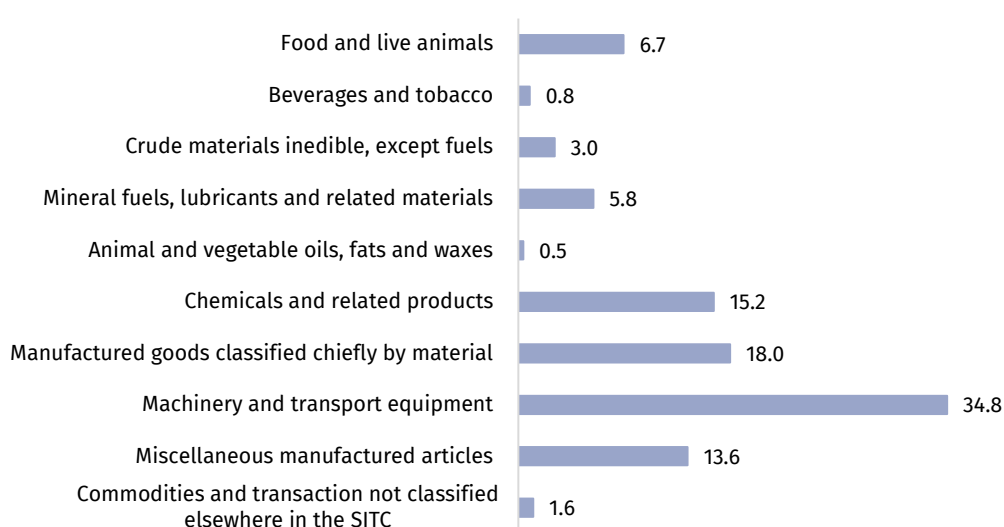


Chart 2. Composition of imports by sections according to SITC nomenclature in I - VIII 2021



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