

Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by countries in January 2018

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Indices of imports in PLN – previous year = 100

Foreign trade turnover¹ in January this year according to exports at current prices amounted to PLN 69.4 bn, while imports amounted to PLN 71.4 bn. The negative balance reached the level of PLN 2.0 bn, while the same period last year was positive and amounted to PLN 17.0 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of the 2017, exports decreased by 0.4%, and imports increased by 5.3%.

For two months is observed decline in exports while imports is still increasing

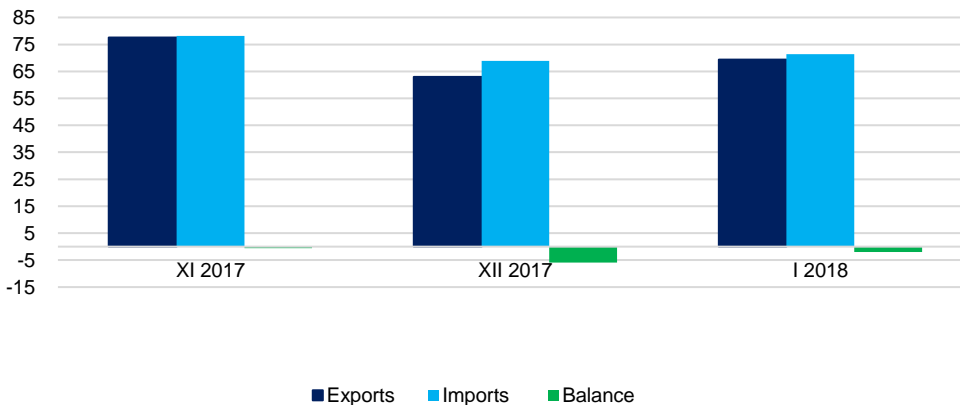
Foreign trade turnover expressed in US dollars and in EUR

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 19.6 bn USD while imports amounted to USD 20.1 bn (an increase in exports of 19.3% and in imports of 26.2%). The negative balance reached the level of USD 0.5 bn (against USD 0.4 bn in 2017).

In January in foreign trade the negative balance is observed

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 16.5 bn while imports amounted to EUR 17.0 bn (an increase in exports of 4.8% and in imports of 10.9%). The negative balance reached the level of EUR 0.5 bn compared to positive balance EUR 0.4 bn in the same period in 2017.

Chart 1. Turnover in the last three months in PLN billion



Foreign trade turnover of goods in total and by groups of countries

Poland has the largest share in total exports with developed countries - 87.4% (of which EU 80.8), and imports - 63.6% (of which EU 56.8%), as against 88.1% (of which EU 81.5%) and 66.4% (of which EU 59.2%) in the corresponding period of the previous year. However, the smallest share was observed in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, which in total exports amounted to 5.3%, and in imports - 9.3%, as against 4.6% and 8.6% in January 2017.

The high share of developed countries in trade in goods is affected by high turnover with the EU

¹ Collection of data on foreign trade turnover is open. Data published formerly is updated according to new customs documentation and INTRA-STAT declarations.

The negative balances were recorded with developing countries – minus PLN 14.3 bn (minus USD 4.0 bn, minus EUR 3.4 bn) and with countries Central and Eastern Europe – minus PLN 3.0 bn (minus USD 0.9 bn, minus EUR 0.7 bn). The positive balances were obtained in turnover with developed countries PLN 15.3 bn (USD 4.3 bn, EUR 3.6 bn), of which EU countries a balance of PLN 15.5 bn (USD 4.4 bn, EUR 3.6 bn).

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

SPECIFICATION	I 2018						2017	2018
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I 2017 = 100			I	
				PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Exports	69.4	19.6	16.5	99.6	119.3	104.8	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	60.7	17.1	14.4	98.9	118.5	104.1	88.1	87.4
of which EU	56.0	15.8	13.3	98.7	118.2	103.8	81.5	80.8
of which euro-zone	40.1	11.3	9.6	98.7	118.3	103.9	58.4	57.9
Developing countries	5.1	1.4	1.2	98.8	118.4	104.0	7.3	7.3
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	3.6	1.0	0.9	114.2	136.8	120.2	4.6	5.3
Imports (country of origin)²	71.4	20.1	17.0	105.3	126.2	110.9	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	45.4	12.8	10.8	100.9	120.9	106.2	66.4	63.6
of which EU	40.5	11.4	9.7	101.1	121.1	106.4	59.2	56.8
of which euro-zone	32.6	9.2	7.8	102.5	122.8	107.9	46.9	45.7
Developing countries	19.4	5.4	4.6	114.2	136.9	120.2	25.0	27.1
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	6.6	1.9	1.6	113.6	136.1	119.5	8.6	9.3
Balance	-2.0	-0.5	-0.5	X	X	X	X	X
Developed countries	15.3	4.3	3.6	X	X	X	X	X
of which EU	15.5	4.4	3.6	X	X	X	X	X
of which euro-zone	7.5	2.1	1.8	X	X	X	X	X
Developing countries	-14.3	-4.0	-3.4	X	X	X	X	X
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	-3.0	-0.9	-0.7	X	X	X	X	X

Foreign trade turnover by major countries

In January this year among the main trade partners of Poland there was an increase in exports from the United States, Hungary and Sweden and imports – from Russia, Spain, China, United States, Netherlands, Germany, Czech Republic and Belgium.

The turnover with the top ten of Polish trade partners in exports in January 2018 accounted for 66.9% (68.2% in the same period last year), while total imports – 65.7% (against 66.6% in January 2017) .

The share of Germany in exports decreased in comparison with the corresponding period of last year by 0.1 pp and amounted to 28.1%, and imports has decreased by 0.4 pp and accounted for 22.2%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 3.6 bn (USD 1.0 bn, EUR 0.8 bn) against PLN 4.3 bn (USD 1.0 bn, EUR 1.0 bn) in the same period of 2017.

In January with our seven main trade partners we recorded a decreased in turnover in exports

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 2018						2017	2018
	bn	bn	bn	I 2017 = 100			I	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
EXPORTS								
1. Germany	19.5	5.5	4.6	99.4	119.1	104.7	28.2	28.1
2. Czech Republic	4.5	1.3	1.1	96.3	115.3	101.3	6.7	6.4
3. United Kingdom	4.3	1.2	1.0	91.8	109.9	96.6	6.8	6.2
4. France	4.1	1.2	1.0	98.8	118.3	104.0	5.9	5.9
5. Netherlands	3.4	0.9	0.8	99.6	119.4	104.9	4.8	4.8
6. Italy	3.0	0.8	0.7	85.1	102.0	89.6	5.0	4.3
7. Sweden	2.0	0.6	0.5	103.0	123.4	108.4	2.7	2.8
8. Spain	2.0	0.6	0.5	94.4	113.1	99.4	3.0	2.8
9. United States	1.9	0.5	0.5	110.5	132.4	116.3	2.5	2.8
10. Hungary	1.9	0.5	0.5	104.8	125.6	110.3	2.6	2.8
IMPORTS (country of origin)								
1. Germany	15.9	4.5	3.8	103.7	124.3	109.2	22.6	22.2
2. China	9.2	2.6	2.2	108.4	129.9	114.1	12.5	12.9
3. Russia	5.4	1.5	1.3	110.7	132.7	116.6	7.2	7.5
4. Italy	3.1	0.9	0.7	91.9	110.1	96.8	5.0	4.4
5. Netherlands	2.7	0.8	0.6	103.9	124.5	109.4	3.9	3.8
6. France	2.6	0.7	0.6	95.9	114.9	101.0	4.0	3.6
7. Czech Republic	2.5	0.7	0.6	102.4	122.7	107.8	3.6	3.5
8. United States	2.1	0.6	0.5	105.0	125.7	110.5	2.9	2.9
9. Belgium	1.8	0.5	0.4	101.4	121.5	106.7	2.6	2.5
10. Spain	1.7	0.5	0.4	109.6	131.4	115.4	2.3	2.4

The share of Russia in imports increased by 0.3 pp compared to the same period of 2017 and it was 7.5%

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 51.6 bn, of which the EU – PLN 48.6 bn, compared to PLN 51.0 bn, of which the EU - PLN 48.1 bn in the same period of 2017.

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

SPECIFICATION	I 2018						2017	2018
	bn	bn	bn	I 2017 = 100			I	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
Imports (country of consignment) ³	71.4	20.1	17.0	105.3	126.2	110.9	100.0	100.0
Developed countries	51.6	14.6	12.3	101.3	121.4	106.7	75.2	72.3
of which EU	48.6	13.7	11.6	101.0	121.0	106.3	71.0	68.1
of which euro-zone	39.4	11.1	9.4	101.4	121.5	106.7	57.4	55.2
Developing countries	12.1	3.4	2.9	113.4	135.8	119.3	15.8	17.0
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	7.6	2.1	1.8	124.4	149.0	130.9	9.0	10.6
Balance	-2.0	-0.5	-0.5	X	X	X	X	X
Developed countries	9.1	2.5	2.1	X	X	X	X	X
of which EU	7.4	2.1	1.7	X	X	X	X	X
of which euro-zone	0.7	0.2	0.2	X	X	X	X	X
Developing countries	-7.0	-2.0	-1.7	X	X	X	X	X
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	-4.0	-1.1	-0.9	X	X	X	X	X

Imports by country of consignment – by countries

The share of Germany in imports by country of consignment to imports by country of origin was higher by 4.6 pp, accordingly the share of the Netherlands was higher by 1.9 pp, Russia by 1.3 pp and Belgium by 1.2 pp.

Table 4. Imports by country of consignment – by countries

SPECIFICATION	I 2018						2017	2018
	bn	bn	bn	I 2017 = 100			I	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
IMPORTS (country of consignment)								
1. Germany	19.1	5.4	4.6	102.3	122.6	107.7	27.6	26.8
2. Russia	6.3	1.8	1.5	127.1	152.3	133.8	7.3	8.8
3. China	5.8	1.6	1.4	109.2	130.8	114.9	7.8	8.1
4. Netherlands	4.0	1.1	1.0	98.7	118.2	103.9	6.0	5.7
5. Italy	3.0	0.9	0.7	88.9	106.5	93.5	5.1	4.3
6. Czech Republic	2.9	0.8	0.7	105.2	126.1	110.7	4.1	4.1
7. France	2.8	0.8	0.7	95.0	113.9	100.0	4.4	3.9
8. Belgium	2.6	0.7	0.6	103.9	124.5	109.4	3.8	3.7
9. Spain	1.7	0.5	0.4	107.4	128.6	113.0	2.3	2.4
10. Slovakia	1.7	0.5	0.4	95.3	114.2	100.3	2.6	2.4

Imports from China according by country of consignment to imports by country of origin was lower about 4.8 pp

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

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