

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

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After eleven months we note increase in both exports and imports with the corresponding period of the 2017 year

**↑ 106.4**

Index of exports in PLN – previous year = 100

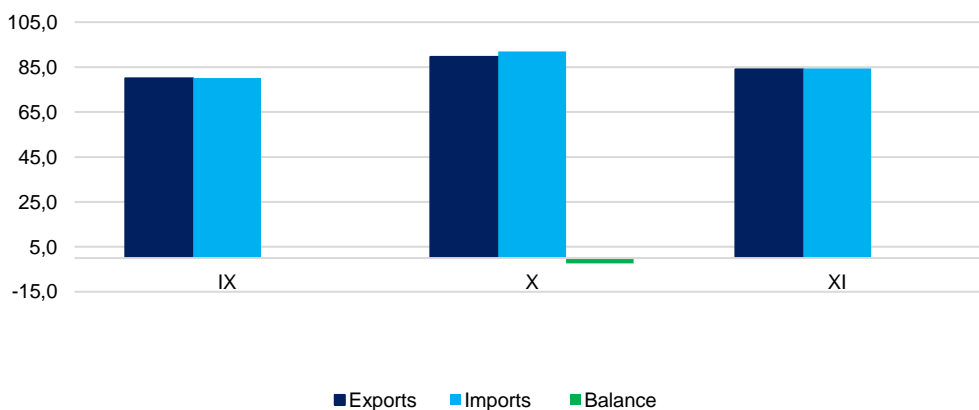
**Foreign trade turnover<sup>1</sup> in January – November 2018 according to exports at current prices amounted to PLN 868.3 bn, while imports amounted to PLN 881,4 bn. The negative balance reached the level of PLN 13.1 bn, while in the same period 2017 it was positive and amounted to PLN 8.1 bn. In comparison to the corresponding period of the 2017, exports increased by 6.4%, and imports by 9.1%.**

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

Exports expressed in USD amounted to 242.8 bn USD while imports amounted to USD 246.4 bn (an increase in exports of 14.0% and in imports of 16.8%). The negative balance reached the level of USD 3.6 bn (in the corresponding period of the 2017, the positive balance amounted to USD 2.1 bn).

Exports expressed in EUR amounted to 204.3 bn while imports amounted to EUR 207.4 bn (an increase in exports of 7.1% and in imports of 9.7%). The negative balance reached the level of EUR 3.1 bn compared to positive balance EUR 1.9 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 – 87.0% (of which EU 80.4), and imports – 65.6% (of which EU 58.4%), as against 86.8% (of which EU 80.1%) and 67.8% (of which EU 60.4%) 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

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

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

exports amounted to 5.8%, and in imports – 9.1%, as against 5.7% and 7.8% in January – November 2017.

The negative balances were recorded with developing countries – minus PLN 161.2bn (minus USD 45.0 bn, minus EUR 37.9 bn) and with countries Central and Eastern Europe – minus PLN 29.7 bn (minus USD 8.2 bn, minus EUR 7.0 bn). The positive balances were obtained in turnover with developed countries PLN 177.9 bn (USD 49.7 bn, EUR 41.9 bn), of which EU countries a balance of PLN 183.2 bn (USD 51.2 bn, EUR 43.1 bn).

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

SPECIFICATION	I – XI 2018						2017	2018
	bn PLN	bn USD	bn EUR	I – XI 2017 = 100			I – XI structure in %	
				PLN	USD	EUR		
<b>Exports</b>	<b>868.3</b>	<b>242.8</b>	<b>204.3</b>	<b>106.4</b>	<b>114.0</b>	<b>107.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Developed countries	755.9	211.4	177.9	106.8	114.4	107.4	86.8	87.0
of which EU	698.4	195.3	164.3	106.8	114.4	107.5	80.1	80.4
of which euro-zone	500.8	140.0	117.8	107.4	115.1	108.1	57.1	57.7
Developing countries	62.1	17.3	14.6	101.3	108.4	101.9	7.5	7.2
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	50.4	14.1	11.8	107.5	114.6	107.9	5.7	5.8
<b>Imports (country of origin)<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>881.4</b>	<b>246.4</b>	<b>207.4</b>	<b>109.1</b>	<b>116.8</b>	<b>109.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Developed countries	578.0	161.7	136.0	105.6	113.2	106.2	67.8	65.6
of which EU	515.2	144.1	121.2	105.6	113.2	106.2	60.4	58.4
of which euro-zone	411.7	115.2	96.9	105.6	113.2	106.3	48.3	46.7
Developing countries	223.3	62.3	52.5	112.9	120.7	113.5	24.4	25.3
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	80.1	22.3	18.8	127.6	136.6	128.4	7.8	9.1
<b>Balance</b>	<b>-13.1</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>-3.1</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
Developed countries	177.9	49.7	41.9	X	X	X	X	X
of which EU	183.2	51.2	43.1	X	X	X	X	X
of which euro-zone	89.1	24.8	20.9	X	X	X	X	X
Developing countries	-161.2	-45.0	-37.9	X	X	X	X	X
Count. of Cent. and East. Europe	-29.7	-8.2	-7.0	X	X	X	X	X

### Foreign trade turnover by major countries

In January – November 2018 among the main trade partners of Poland there was an increase in exports to the United States, Germany, Russia, Netherlands, Hungary, France, Czech Republic, Sweden and United Kingdom, and imports – from all countries from the main trade partners of Poland.

Among our main trade partners in exports we recorded a decrease in turnover for Italy

<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.

The turnover with the top ten of Polish trade partners in exports in January – November 2018 accounted for 66.7% (66.4% in the same period 2017), while total imports – 64.8% (against 65.5% after eleven months of the 2017).

The share of Germany in exports increased in comparison with the corresponding period of last year by 0.6 pp and amounted to 28.1%, and imports has decreased by 0.7 pp and accounted for 22.4%. The positive balance amounted to PLN 47.2 bn (USD 13.1 bn, EUR 11.1 bn) against PLN 37.5 bn (USD 9.8 bn, EUR 8.8 bn) in the same period of 2017.

**Table 2. Foreign trade turnover by major countries**

SPECIFICATION	I – XI 2018						2017	2018
	bn	bn	bn	I – XI 2017 = 100			I – XI	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
<b>EXPORTS</b>								
1. Germany	244.4	68.3	57.5	108.9	116.6	109.6	27.5	28.1
2. Czech Republic	55.4	15.5	13.0	105.1	112.6	105.8	6.5	6.4
3. United Kingdom	54.0	15.1	12.7	102.8	110.0	103.4	6.4	6.2
4. France	48.3	13.5	11.4	105.2	113.0	106.0	5.6	5.6
5. Italy	40.1	11.2	9.4	99.5	106.8	100.1	4.9	4.6
6. Netherlands	38.8	10.9	9.1	108.3	116.3	109.0	4.4	4.5
7. Russia	26.5	7.4	6.2	108.8	115.8	109.2	3.0	3.0
8. Sweden	24.0	6.7	5.7	104.8	112.3	105.5	2.8	2.8
9. United States	24.0	6.7	5.6	111.3	119.1	111.9	2.6	2.8
10. Hungary	23.3	6.5	5.5	107.0	114.5	107.6	2.7	2.7
<b>IMPORTS (country of origin)</b>								
1. Germany	197.2	55.2	46.4	105.5	113.0	106.2	23.1	22.4
2. China	102.7	28.6	24.1	107.6	114.8	108.2	11.8	11.6
3. Russia	64.6	18.0	15.2	128.6	137.7	129.4	6.2	7.3
4. Italy	44.4	12.4	10.5	103.9	111.5	104.6	5.3	5.0
5. France	32.3	9.0	7.6	102.7	110.2	103.4	3.9	3.7
6. Netherlands	32.2	9.0	7.6	104.2	111.8	104.9	3.8	3.7
7. Czech Republic	29.7	8.3	7.0	102.0	109.6	102.8	3.6	3.4
8. United States	24.9	7.0	5.9	109.2	117.4	109.9	2.8	2.8
9. Belgium	22.1	6.2	5.2	106.0	113.7	106.7	2.6	2.5
10. United Kingdom	21.4	6.0	5.0	110.0	117.5	110.6	2.4	2.4

The share of Russia in imports increased by 1.1 pp compared to the same period of 2017 and it was 7.3%

#### Imports by country of consignment in total and by groups of countries

The highest turnover in imports by country of consignment Poland recorded with the developed countries - PLN 653.4 bn, of which the EU – PLN 614.0 bn, compared to PLN 618.2 bn, of which the EU - PLN 580.6 bn in the same period of 2017.

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

SPECIFICATION	I – XI 2018						2017	2018
	bn	bn	bn	I – XI 2017 = 100			I – XI	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
<b>Imports (country of consignment)<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>881.4</b>	<b>246.4</b>	<b>207.4</b>	<b>109.1</b>	<b>116.8</b>	<b>109.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Developed countries	653.4	182.8	153.8	105.7	113.2	106.3	76.5	74.1
of which EU	614.0	171.7	144.5	105.7	113.3	106.4	71.9	69.7
of which euro-zone	497.3	139.1	117.0	105.6	113.1	106.2	58.3	56.4
Developing countries	143.7	40.1	33.8	114.7	122.6	115.3	15.5	16.3
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	84.3	23.5	19.8	130.9	140.1	131.7	8.0	9.6
<b>Balance</b>	<b>-13.1</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>-3.1</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
Developed countries	102.5	28.6	24.1	X	X	X	X	X
of which EU	84.4	23.6	19.8	X	X	X	X	X
of which euro-zone	3.5	0.9	0.8	X	X	X	X	X
Developing countries	-81.6	-22.8	-19.2	X	X	X	X	X
Countries of Cent. and East. Europe	-33.9	-9.4	-8.0	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 4.9 pp, accordingly the share of the Netherlands was higher by 1.9 pp, Belgium by 1.3 pp, Czech Republic by 0.5 pp and Russia by 0.3 pp.

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

SPECIFICATION	I – XI 2018						2017	2018
	bn	bn	bn	I – XI 2017 = 100			I – XI	
	PLN	USD	EUR	PLN	USD	EUR	structure in %	
<b>IMPORTS (country of consignment)</b>								
1. Germany	240.7	67.3	56.6	106.1	113.6	106.7	28.1	27.3
2. Russia	67.3	18.8	15.8	132.3	141.6	133.1	6.3	7.6
3. China	64.2	17.9	15.1	111.8	119.6	112.5	7.1	7.3
4. Netherlands	49.2	13.8	11.6	101.8	109.2	102.5	6.0	5.6
5. Italy	44.6	12.5	10.5	103.1	110.6	103.7	5.4	5.1
6. France	34.8	9.8	8.2	103.7	111.4	104.5	4.2	4.0
7. Czech Republic	34.6	9.7	8.1	106.3	114.0	107.0	4.0	3.9
8. Belgium	33.6	9.4	7.9	110.9	118.8	111.6	3.8	3.8
9. United Kingdom	23.1	6.4	5.4	103.9	111.0	104.5	2.7	2.6
10. Sweden	20.9	5.9	4.9	109.1	117.0	109.8	2.4	2.4

The share of imports from China according by country of consignment to the share of the country of origin was lower by 4.3 pp

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

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