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FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA – Provisional Data January – August 2023 and January – September 2023

According to provisional data, from January to August 2023, total export of the Republic of Croatia amounted to 15.0 billion euro. At the same time, total import was 26.5 billion euro. Foreign trade deficit amounted to 11.5 billion euro.

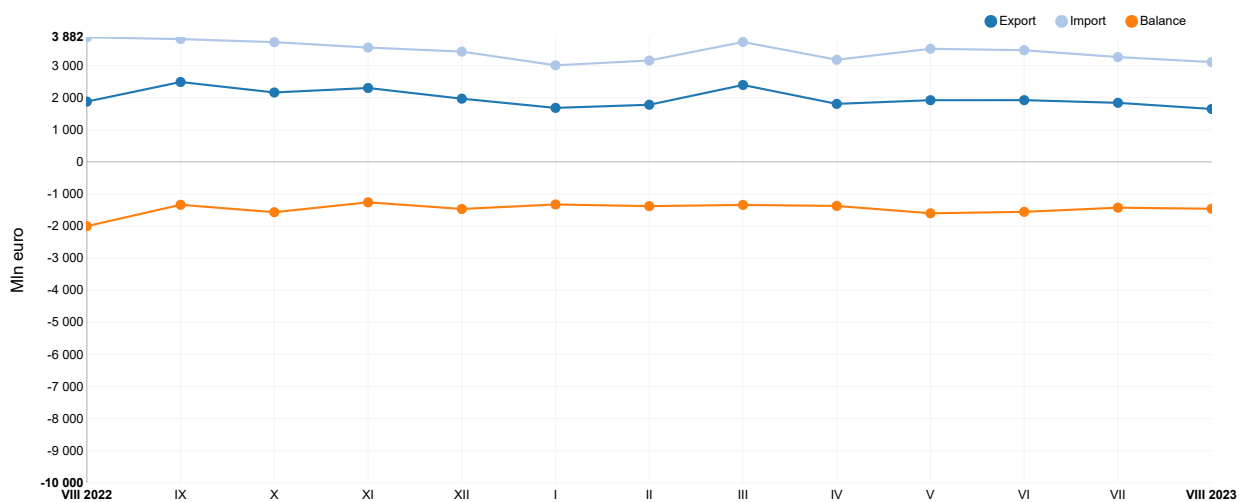
In the period from January to August 2023, coverage of import by export was 56.7%.

According to the First Results, in the period from January to September 2023, total export of the Republic of Croatia amounted to 16.9 billion euro, while total import was 29.6 billion euro. Foreign trade deficit amounted to 12.7 billion euro.

According to the First Results, coverage of import by export was 57.0% in the period from January to September 2023.

Remark: From 1 January 2023, a new currency, the euro, was introduced in the Republic of Croatia. Values for periods before 1 January 2023 have been converted into euro at a fixed exchange rate (1 euro = 7.53450 kuna) and the data for 2022 in this First Release differ from those published in the First Release VT-2023-1-2.

G-1 FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS, AUGUST 2022 – AUGUST 2023



1 FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

	Export		Import		Balance of foreign trade in goods		Coverage of import by export, %
	Thousand euro	Thousand US \$	Thousand euro	Thousand US \$	Thousand euro	Thousand US \$	
2022							
I	1 493 587	1 693 397	2 570 127	2 914 112	-1 076 540	-1 220 716	58,1
II	1 662 924	1 870 153	2 901 671	3 258 998	-1 238 746	-1 388 845	57,3
III	1 963 530	2 210 178	3 762 537	4 230 512	-1 799 007	-2 020 334	52,2
IV	1 850 980	2 040 464	3 468 477	3 824 503	-1 617 496	-1 784 039	53,4
V	2 035 638	2 160 223	3 561 497	3 777 599	-1 525 859	-1 617 376	57,2
VI	2 148 936	2 288 714	3 525 910	3 757 830	-1 376 974	-1 469 116	60,9
VII	2 148 407	2 253 632	3 635 546	3 813 782	-1 487 139	-1 560 150	59,1
VIII	1 879 173	1 925 049	3 882 197	3 978 264	-2 003 024	-2 053 216	48,4
IX	2 489 267	2 489 045	3 825 807	3 825 322	-1 336 540	-1 336 277	65,1
X	2 163 486	2 137 720	3 731 390	3 683 309	-1 567 904	-1 545 589	58,0
XI	2 303 006	2 283 072	3 562 787	3 533 297	-1 259 780	-1 250 225	64,6
XII	1 969 287	2 031 518	3 436 574	3 545 949	-1 467 287	-1 514 431	57,3
I – XII	24 108 220	25 383 164	41 864 518	44 143 477	-17 756 298	-18 760 313	57,6
2023							
I	1 683 178	1 795 262	3 009 790	3 210 239	-1 326 611	-1 414 977	55,9
II	1 779 877	1 928 135	3 158 381	3 421 462	-1 378 503	-1 493 326	56,4
III	2 396 294	2 544 623	3 736 858	3 968 163	-1 340 563	-1 423 541	64,1
IV	1 808 498	1 966 742	3 181 689	3 460 084	-1 373 191	-1 493 342	56,8
V	1 922 112	2 110 669	3 524 161	3 869 875	-1 602 050	-1 759 205	54,5
VI	1 923 633	2 055 017	3 480 394	3 717 970	-1 556 761	-1 662 953	55,3
VII	1 840 200	1 997 682	3 267 126	3 548 734	-1 426 927	-1 551 052	56,3
VIII	1 649 079	1 815 988	3 110 125	3 425 270	-1 461 046	-1 609 282	53,0
I – VIII	15 002 872	16 214 117	26 468 524	28 621 797	-11 465 651	-12 407 680	56,7

I FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA, EURO

1 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO NKD 2007

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2023	indices I – VIII 2023 I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2023	indices I – VIII 2023 I – VIII 2022
Total	15 183 175	15 002 872	98,8	27 307 961	26 468 524	96,9
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	895 559	775 117	86,6	693 323	822 539	118,6
B Mining and quarrying	909 030	566 694	62,3	3 461 610	2 272 769	65,7
C Manufacturing	12 210 036	12 774 230	104,6	21 570 912	22 569 111	104,6
10 Manufacture of food products	1 133 282	1 300 501	114,8	2 177 203	2 532 675	116,3
11 Manufacture of beverages	153 921	203 385	132,1	238 636	274 950	115,2
12 Manufacture of tobacco products	128 544	173 172	134,7	144 572	163 238	112,9
13 Manufacture of textiles	146 918	147 382	100,3	348 489	372 540	106,9
14 Manufacture of wearing apparel	514 945	645 771	125,4	928 954	1 072 764	115,5
15 Manufacture of leather and related products	302 507	317 438	104,9	455 909	525 760	115,3
16 Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	811 349	675 173	83,2	366 541	352 480	96,2
17 Manufacture of paper and paper products	322 990	284 399	88,1	539 464	502 113	93,1
18 Printing and reproduction of recorded media	1 717	1 381	80,4	2 780	2 138	76,9
19 Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	1 066 225	721 654	67,7	1 949 190	1 693 322	86,9
20 Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	782 389	807 936	103,3	2 047 817	1 942 481	94,9
21 Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	700 329	715 948	102,2	1 161 289	1 203 670	103,6
22 Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	501 835	474 897	94,6	996 685	954 506	95,8
23 Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	484 035	525 475	108,6	470 406	493 930	105,0
24 Manufacture of basic metals	733 441	615 045	83,9	1 973 146	1 553 300	78,7
25 Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	940 043	946 042	100,6	858 056	895 182	104,3
26 Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	392 138	378 501	96,5	1 214 740	1 295 169	106,6
27 Manufacture of electrical equipment	1 136 513	1 304 973	114,8	1 254 449	1 381 987	110,2
28 Manufacture of machinery and equipment n. e. c.	806 897	975 303	120,9	1 689 786	1 902 317	112,6
29 Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	413 476	491 719	118,9	1 471 024	2 023 559	137,6
30 Manufacture of other transport equipment	368 905	689 811	187,0	437 132	508 158	116,2
31 Manufacture of furniture	214 595	205 007	95,5	325 393	362 561	111,4
32 Other manufacturing	153 042	173 314	113,2	519 251	560 310	107,9
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	718 013	557 729	77,7	1 338 578	602 996	45,0
E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	357 942	246 315	68,8	194 337	146 550	75,4
J Information and communication	52 717	51 359	97,4	47 276	51 108	108,1
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	6	25	405,6	48	75	153,8
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	422	414	98,1	320	1 743	544,1
Not classified	39 450	30 989	78,6	1 557	1 634	104,9

2 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO SITC SECTIONS

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2023	indices I – VIII 2023 I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2023	indices I – VIII 2023 I – VIII 2022
Total	15 183 175	15 002 872	98,8	27 307 961	26 468 524	96,9
0 Food and live animals	1 710 391	1 827 274	106,8	2 527 663	3 061 555	121,1
1 Beverages and tobacco	267 174	356 379	133,4	384 332	436 671	113,6
2 Crude materials, except fuels	1 181 697	962 561	81,5	569 100	472 751	83,1
3 Mineral fuels and lubricants	2 636 676	1 791 662	68,0	6 822 444	4 562 084	66,9
4 Animal and vegetable oils and fats	106 009	62 026	58,5	157 178	123 553	78,6
5 Chemical products	1 690 033	1 710 830	101,2	3 437 308	3 431 362	99,8
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2 592 861	2 523 185	97,3	4 484 130	4 181 483	93,3
7 Machinery and transport equipment	3 051 374	3 757 871	123,2	5 781 336	6 797 895	117,6
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1 809 788	1 936 424	107,0	2 954 474	3 280 211	111,0
9 Commodities and transactions, n. e. s.	97 721	43 672	44,7	188 439	119 325	63,3
Not classified	39 450	30 989	78,6	1 557	1 634	104,9

3 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO ECONOMIC CLASSIFICATION OF COUNTRIES

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2023	indices I – VIII 2023 I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2022	I – VIII 2023	indices I – VIII 2023 I – VIII 2022
Total	15 183 175	15 002 872	98,8	27 307 961	26 468 524	96,9
EU Member States	10 495 993	10 204 810	97,2	19 242 257	19 938 287	103,6
Austria	845 717	834 624	98,7	1 440 107	1 470 496	102,1
Belgium	146 166	163 847	112,1	445 376	473 035	106,2
Bulgaria	88 680	108 034	121,8	295 722	227 453	76,9
Cyprus	46 117	24 419	53,0	8 260	9 811	118,8
Czech Republic	227 878	259 925	114,1	516 959	591 827	114,5
Denmark	81 850	94 405	115,3	141 051	163 769	116,1
Estonia	11 856	16 641	140,4	11 231	12 037	107,2
Finland	31 811	25 827	81,2	41 363	44 701	108,1
France	374 118	384 504	102,8	602 586	707 151	117,4
Greece	98 560	92 085	93,4	239 723	187 742	78,3
Ireland	43 760	34 987	80,0	70 009	64 947	92,8
Italy	1 926 645	1 815 643	94,2	3 593 553	3 793 737	105,6
Latvia	16 603	12 872	77,5	12 770	11 810	92,5
Lithuania	50 547	52 752	104,4	52 138	43 887	84,2
Luxembourg	12 029	7 312	60,8	10 626	9 381	88,3
Hungary	1 511 547	1 042 493	69,0	2 069 112	1 672 898	80,9
Malta	32 980	251 003	761,1	11 842	22 060	186,3
Netherlands	196 691	242 202	123,1	904 517	1 003 195	110,9
Germany	1 819 527	1 859 108	102,2	3 353 477	3 712 960	110,7
Poland	325 158	370 544	114,0	930 799	1 018 310	109,4
Portugal	52 545	52 769	100,4	38 421	37 746	98,2
Romania	229 767	229 257	99,8	299 388	331 447	110,7
Northern Ireland	2 086	2 051	98,4	4 679	6 082	130,0
Slovakia	153 229	180 893	118,1	551 128	502 830	91,2
Slovenia	1 757 980	1 670 903	95,0	2 954 103	3 021 863	102,3
Spain	263 269	236 377	89,8	483 491	616 523	127,5
Sweden	143 189	134 034	93,6	159 717	180 570	113,1
Not classified	5 686	5 301	93,2	108	19	17,4
EFTA countries	254 809	265 129	104,1	140 015	154 775	110,5
Iceland	1 633	3 051	186,9	46	63	136,0
Liechtenstein	17 118	14 993	87,6	94	29	31,2
Norway	58 956	49 355	83,7	16 004	17 050	106,5
Switzerland	177 102	197 730	111,6	123 871	137 633	111,1
CEFTA countries	2 797 290	2 826 442	101,0	1 960 171	1 727 212	88,1
Albania	74 628	62 562	83,8	32 195	20 742	64,4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 560 147	1 475 200	94,6	945 056	887 517	93,9
Montenegro	203 039	226 595	111,6	5 373	5 271	98,1
Kosovo	87 600	107 061	122,2	8 046	8 003	99,5
Moldova	3 723	2 075	55,7	3 274	6 575	200,8
North Macedonia	103 598	120 249	116,1	82 075	78 656	95,8
Serbia	764 555	832 699	108,9	884 152	720 447	81,5
OPEC countries	123 927	101 539	81,9	64 700	140 244	216,8
Algeria	3 604	4 916	136,4	15 998	17 141	107,1
Angola	1 691	3 668	217,0	-	-	-
Equatorial Guinea	129	307	237,8	-	-	-
Gabon	646	842	130,3	53	116	218,0
Iraq	2 862	6 087	212,6	554	236	42,6
Iran, Islamic Republic of	3 769	3 888	103,2	4 726	2 985	63,2
Congo	469	2 005	427,6	-	71 422	-
Kuwait	7 233	5 894	81,5	92	6	6,6
Libya	7 591	3 506	46,2	2 387	-	-
Nigeria	887	6 538	737,3	15 066	41 072	272,6
Saudi Arabia	48 171	34 399	71,4	11 010	3 543	32,2
United Arab Emirates	46 852	28 968	61,8	14 750	3 494	23,7
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	24	522	1) ¹⁾	65	229	352,7
Other countries in Europe	590 691	602 223	102,0	952 415	654 949	68,8

Belarus	9 145	5 812	63,6	2 514	437	17,4
Russian Federation	99 064	163 292	164,8	398 476	46 773	11,7
Turkey	232 427	220 625	94,9	425 750	459 042	107,8
United Kingdom	146 916	153 078	104,2	79 548	84 495	106,2
Ukraine	56 660	57 519	101,5	45 516	63 327	139,1
Other countries	46 479	1 897	4,1	610	875	143,4
Other countries in Asia	318 261	297 440	93,5	2 447 674	2 509 427	102,5
Azerbaijan	6 905	2 577	37,3	1 040 306	523 857	50,4
Bangladesh	1 353	1 541	113,9	12 459	39 531	317,3
Philippines	2 747	1 230	44,8	1 139	2 801	245,8
Hong Kong, China	6 299	7 873	125,0	3 682	1 885	51,2
India	12 386	11 805	95,3	119 422	190 756	159,7
Indonesia	5 971	5 700	95,5	37 175	64 334	173,1
Israel	75 446	28 026	37,1	33 487	19 570	58,4
Japan	40 922	51 300	125,4	30 754	54 316	176,6
Qatar	11 078	3 137	28,3	2 125	1 962	92,3
Kazakhstan	11 891	32 902	276,7	70 754	10 279	14,5
China	62 271	50 033	80,3	887 152	865 163	97,5
Korea, Republic of	6 224	10 279	165,2	71 466	44 403	62,1
Lebanon	8 907	16 278	182,7	8	90	1)
Malaysia	1 660	3 504	211,1	12 390	15 694	126,7
Pakistan	1 573	2 706	172,0	12 461	11 473	92,1
Singapore	5 872	6 500	110,7	13 576	24 910	183,5
Thailand	4 359	3 605	82,7	11 329	13 722	121,1
Taiwan, China	9 190	8 866	96,5	22 448	27 882	124,2
Viet Nam	20 991	19 907	94,8	38 187	53 693	140,6
Other countries	22 217	29 672	133,6	27 354	543 108	1)
Other countries in Africa	156 223	127 693	81,7	174 210	276 898	158,9
Egypt	64 771	60 399	93,3	138 761	31 552	22,7
Ethiopia	929	2 173	234,0	6 058	5 608	92,6
South Africa	9 197	8 116	88,2	11 068	32 096	290,0
Morocco	58 542	28 134	48,1	5 673	6 396	112,8
Mozambique	6	42	744,8	4 228	191 001	1)
Tunisia	5 464	9 041	165,5	3 521	4 455	126,5
Other countries	17 316	19 789	114,3	4 901	5 789	118,1
Other countries in America	414 224	498 367	120,3	2 152 274	943 981	43,9
Argentina	8 485	1 139	13,4	7 216	7 090	98,2
Brazil	8 521	5 201	61,0	12 121	7 850	64,8
Canada	29 372	38 599	131,4	21 904	22 220	101,4
Mexico	7 008	56 377	804,5	17 187	16 349	95,1
United States	348 707	365 906	104,9	2 065 119	716 072	34,7
Other countries	12 131	31 144	256,7	28 726	174 399	607,1
Countries of Oceania	17 408	65 621	377,0	21 066	5 467	26,0
Australia	15 232	22 580	148,2	4 773	4 033	84,5
New Zealand	2 000	1 087	54,3	1 231	1 344	109,2
Other countries	176	41 953	1)	15 061	90	0,6
Not classified	14 349	13 608	94,8	153 180	117 284	76,6

1) The index exceeds 999.

4 FIRST RESULTS OF FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

Thousand euro

	I – IX 2022	I – IX 2023	Indices I – IX 2023 I – IX 2022
Export	17 672 442	16 875 359	95,5
EU Member States	12 160 493	11 482 780	94,4
Non-EU Member States	5 511 949	5 392 579	97,8
Import	31 133 768	29 593 808	95,1
EU Member States	21 766 251	22 367 380	102,8
Non-EU Member States	9 367 517	7 226 428	77,1
Balance of foreign trade in goods	-13 461 326	-12 718 449	1)
Coverage of import by export, %	56,8	57,0	1)

1) The index is not presented.

NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

Sources and methods of data collection

The data source for statistics on trading in goods with EU Member States is the Intrastat form used by the reporting units to report on arrivals and/or dispatches on a monthly basis, that is, for each month in which goods physically enter or leave the territory of the Republic of Croatia. The reporting units are all business entities, value added tax payers whose value of trading in goods with EU Member States exceeds the exemption threshold determined for the reference year. For 2023, an exemption threshold of 400 thousand euro for arrivals and of 200 thousand euro for dispatches has been determined. In order to achieve complete harmonisation with the EU methodology and legislation, data on foreign trade in goods have been supplemented with trade value below the exemption threshold after being estimated on the basis of data on supplies and acquisitions of goods in/from EU Member States provided by the Tax Administration Office of the Republic of Croatia.

The First Results of the statistics concerning the foreign trade in goods of the Republic of Croatia are an integral part of this First Release and they contain the estimate of the trade value below the exemption threshold for the entire period they refer to.

The data source for statistics on trading in goods with third countries, that is, non-EU countries, are customs declarations on export and import of goods. The Croatian Bureau of Statistics receives the reviewed customs declarations from the Customs Administration of the Republic of Croatia in the form of data records.

Following basic methodological recommendations of the UN Statistical Office and Eurostat, the Croatian Bureau of Statistics statistically processes and disseminates collected Intrastat and Extrastat data as unique information on foreign trade in goods of the Republic of Croatia.

Legal basis

The legal basis for the conduct of the Intrastat survey is the European legislation related to statistics on trading in goods between EU Member States, the Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 as well as the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1197, the Official Statistics Act (NN, No. 25/20), the Annual Implementation Plan of Statistical Activities of the Republic of Croatia 2023 (NN, No. 35/23) and the Customs Administration Act (NN, Nos 68/13, 30/14, 115/16, 39/19 and 98/19). More detailed notes on methodology for this survey are published on the website of the Croatian Bureau of Statistics at [Državni zavod za statistiku - Intrastat \(gov.hr\)](http://Drzavni.zavod.za.statistiku.hr).

The legal basis for Extrastat is the European legislation related to statistics on trading in goods with third countries, the Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 as well as the Commission Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/1197 and 2021/1225 and the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/1704, the Act on the Implementation of the Customs Legislation of the European Union (NN, No. 40/16), the Official Statistics Act (NN, No. 25/20), the Annual Implementation Plan of Statistical Activities of the Republic of Croatia 2023 (NN, No. 35/23), the Customs Administration Act (NN, Nos 68/13, 30/14, 115/16, 39/19 and 98/19) and the Ordinance on Filling in the Single Administrative Document (NN, Nos 65/19 and 136/20).

Coverage and comparability

Statistics on foreign trade in goods include all goods exported from or imported into the country. Data on foreign trade in goods include both export and import based on gross inward and outward processing.

Statistical value of goods is the value of goods at the Croatian border. Values for export, i.e. dispatches, are shown as an FOB-type value, while values for import, i.e. arrivals, are shown as a CIF-type value.

Amounts expressed in foreign currencies are converted into euros and US dollars according to the monthly exchange rate lists determined for the reporting month. The mean exchange rate of the Croatian National Bank is used.

In certain tables, the sum total may not equal the sum of individual figures due to the rounding to thousands.

Data by type of activities have been presented according to the NKD 2007 (NN, Nos 58/07 and 72/07), which entered into force on 1 January 2008 and is based on the European classification NACE, Rev. 2, which is obligatory in EU Member States. Data are presented using a production approach by which export and import data are reported according to the manufacturing activity from which the product originates.

Goods listed under export and import are classified, for statistical needs, according to the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC, Rev. 4).

Data on export are shown by countries of destination, while two methodological criteria have been applied, by which data on import are shown by countries. In Extrastat, data on import are shown by countries of origin of goods, while, in Intrastat, data on arrivals of goods are presented by countries of dispatch.

OPEC membership is subject to frequent changes. More detailed information about OPEC member countries is published on the website <https://www.opec.org/>.

Only customs declarations containing the date of acceptance in a customs office in a particular month are processed for that month as well as Intrastat forms submitted for the reporting month. Already issued data for previous months are changed during the current year in order to classify subsequently received and/or corrected Intrastat forms and customs declarations for earlier periods.

Monthly data are corrected until final data processing for the current year is done (the middle of the next year). Monthly data are considered provisional until the final processing of the current year and dissemination of final data is done. Monthly data for 2022 in this First Release are considered final.

Data on foreign trade in goods are available in the time series published on the website of the Croatian Bureau of Statistics under [Statistics in Line; Economy – Basic Indicators](#) (data from 2000) and [Foreign Trade in Goods](#) (data from 2010).

Abbreviations

CEFTA	Central European Free Trade Agreement
CIF	cost, insurance and freight
EC	European Community
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
EU	European Union
Eurostat	Statistical Office of the European Union
FOB	free on board
mln	million
NACE	Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community
n. e. c.	not elsewhere classified
n. e. s.	not elsewhere specified
NKD 2007	National Classification of Activities, 2007 version
NN	Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia
OPEC	Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries
PSI	provider of statistical information
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification
UN	United Nations
US \$	United States dollar

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