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# FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA – Provisional Data January – April 2023 and January – May 2023

According to provisional data, from January to April 2023, total export of the Republic of Croatia amounted to 7.6 billion euro. At the same time, total import was 13.1 billion euro. Foreign trade deficit amounted to 5.4 billion euro.

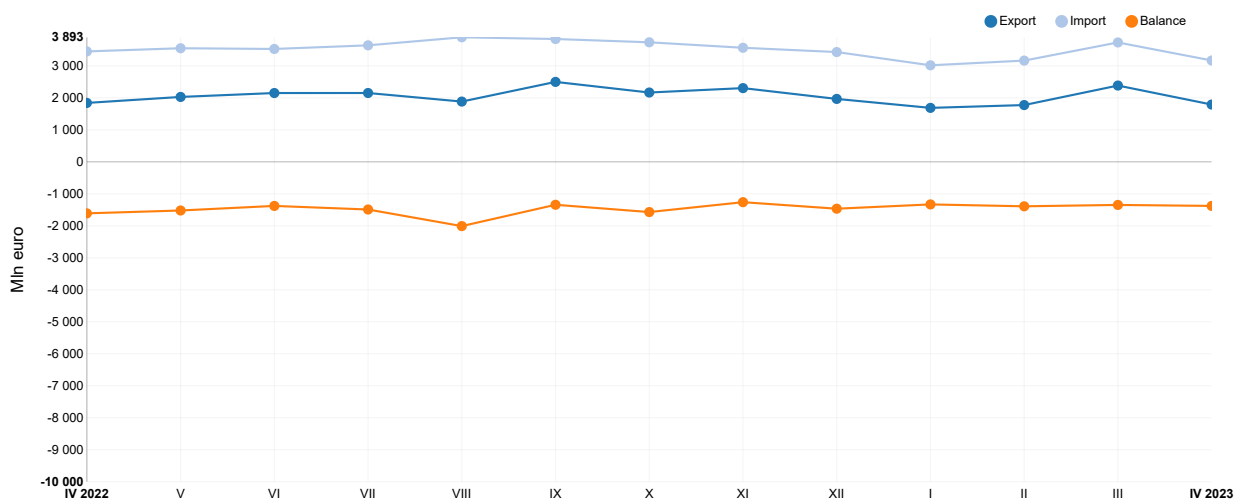
In the period from January to April 2023, coverage of import by export was 58.4%.

According to the First Results, in the period from January to May 2023, total export of the Republic of Croatia amounted to 9.6 billion euro, while total import was 16.5 billion euro. Foreign trade deficit amounted to 6.9 billion euro.

According to the First Results, coverage of import by export was 58.2% in the period from January to May 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, APRIL 2022 – APRIL 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	1 687 358	1 799 736	3 018 080	3 219 081	-1 330 721	-1 419 345	55,9
II	1 775 292	1 923 167	3 165 410	3 429 077	-1 390 118	-1 505 909	56,1
III	2 384 701	2 532 311	3 732 199	3 963 217	-1 347 499	-1 430 906	63,9
IV	1 791 053	1 947 769	3 169 029	3 446 315	-1 377 976	-1 498 546	56,5
I – IV	7 638 404	8 202 984	13 084 719	14 057 690	-5 446 315	-5 854 706	58,4

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

# 1 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO NKD 2007

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I - IV 2022	I - IV 2023	indices I - IV 2023 I - IV 2022	I - IV 2022	I - IV 2023	indices I - IV 2023 I - IV 2022
Total	6 971 021	7 638 404	109,6	12 702 811	13 084 719	103,0
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	448 461	395 547	88,2	364 298	418 816	115,0
B Mining and quarrying	371 947	337 872	90,8	1 175 782	930 025	79,1
C Manufacturing	5 715 356	6 408 235	112,1	10 493 178	11 300 244	107,7
10 Manufacture of food products	533 456	634 623	119,0	943 886	1 137 392	120,5
11 Manufacture of beverages	60 644	81 623	134,6	89 094	104 570	117,4
12 Manufacture of tobacco products	59 527	76 814	129,0	57 777	66 122	114,4
13 Manufacture of textiles	71 661	76 165	106,3	174 183	193 072	110,8
14 Manufacture of wearing apparel	238 954	319 541	133,7	439 088	552 144	125,7
15 Manufacture of leather and related products	154 080	170 223	110,5	218 741	269 464	123,2
16 Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	410 440	364 976	88,9	184 852	187 424	101,4
17 Manufacture of paper and paper products	155 482	145 148	93,4	247 884	243 064	98,1
18 Printing and reproduction of recorded media	753	641	85,0	1 525	990	64,9
19 Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	316 656	326 882	103,2	948 806	975 125	102,8
20 Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	404 160	403 693	99,9	993 117	1 012 580	102,0
21 Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	321 391	348 317	108,4	621 770	627 382	100,9
22 Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	255 475	242 658	95,0	499 169	484 080	97,0
23 Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	224 776	253 132	112,6	225 065	246 192	109,4
24 Manufacture of basic metals	371 960	319 998	86,0	1 045 792	803 948	76,9
25 Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	446 392	468 183	104,9	429 301	442 884	103,2
26 Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	187 785	196 307	104,5	607 343	662 260	109,0
27 Manufacture of electrical equipment	531 435	623 896	117,4	608 171	688 116	113,1
28 Manufacture of machinery and equipment n. e. c.	385 369	470 633	122,1	816 282	919 487	112,6
29 Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	215 610	246 659	114,4	707 581	1 042 647	147,4
30 Manufacture of other transport equipment	182 911	440 140	240,6	221 247	186 075	84,1
31 Manufacture of furniture	107 846	112 848	104,6	161 241	182 186	113,0
32 Other manufacturing	78 594	85 136	108,3	251 259	273 040	108,7
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	210 425	328 818	156,3	529 839	330 577	62,4
E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	191 970	135 703	70,7	117 857	81 038	68,8
J Information and communication	26 320	25 915	98,5	20 897	21 612	103,4
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	5	8	143,7	33	12	35,9
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	188	93	49,5	134	1 607	1) <sup>1)</sup>
Not classified	6 350	6 213	97,8	793	789	99,5

1) The index exceeds 999.

## 2 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO SITC SECTIONS

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I - IV 2022	I - IV 2023	indices I - IV 2023 I - IV 2022	I - IV 2022	I - IV 2023	indices I - IV 2023 I - IV 2022
Total	6 971 021	7 638 404	109,6	12 702 811	13 084 719	103,0
0 Food and live animals	819 619	884 788	108,0	1 137 843	1 395 487	122,6
1 Beverages and tobacco	112 490	152 627	135,7	148 203	174 035	117,4
2 Crude materials, except fuels	602 935	529 826	87,9	320 444	266 714	83,2
3 Mineral fuels and lubricants	866 793	964 030	111,2	2 667 873	2 234 507	83,8
4 Animal and vegetable oils and fats	51 932	28 096	54,1	64 652	54 960	85,0
5 Chemical products	834 536	849 065	101,7	1 754 930	1 784 350	101,7
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1 282 614	1 276 583	99,5	2 253 515	2 116 335	93,9
7 Machinery and transport equipment	1 474 470	1 932 650	131,1	2 819 526	3 343 421	118,6
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	870 494	989 642	113,7	1 422 495	1 646 828	115,8
9 Commodities and transactions, n. e. s.	48 788	24 883	51,0	112 538	67 293	59,8
Not classified	6 350	6 213	97,8	793	789	99,5

3 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO ECONOMIC CLASSIFICATION OF COUNTRIES

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I - IV 2022	I - IV 2023	indices I - IV 2023 I - IV 2022	I - IV 2022	I - IV 2023	indices I - IV 2023 I - IV 2022
<b>Total</b>	6 971 021	7 638 404	109,6	12 702 811	13 084 719	103,0
<b>EU Member States</b>	4 878 597	5 251 835	107,7	9 445 755	10 029 976	106,2
Austria	416 098	410 210	98,6	735 754	756 362	102,8
Belgium	68 960	69 739	101,1	242 939	237 721	97,9
Bulgaria	45 036	51 329	114,0	187 246	122 311	65,3
Cyprus	41 111	7 704	18,7	3 486	5 293	151,8
Czech Republic	105 475	126 189	119,6	251 297	291 617	116,0
Denmark	36 569	44 160	120,8	70 408	76 675	108,9
Estonia	6 261	9 869	157,6	4 912	5 573	113,5
Finland	10 921	15 433	141,3	19 033	22 543	118,4
France	190 767	196 052	102,8	276 190	329 175	119,2
Greece	25 881	49 649	191,8	104 387	114 138	109,3
Ireland	20 116	19 839	98,6	28 660	29 745	103,8
Italy	938 195	881 371	93,9	1 780 885	1 938 799	108,9
Latvia	9 119	7 142	78,3	7 407	5 730	77,4
Lithuania	26 374	29 937	113,5	22 781	21 649	95,0
Luxembourg	6 306	4 036	64,0	4 961	4 381	88,3
Hungary	595 810	573 546	96,3	986 500	849 336	86,1
Malta	12 638	216 911	1)	5 858	14 949	255,2
Netherlands	100 605	131 002	130,2	437 099	486 841	111,4
Germany	883 349	924 282	104,6	1 636 775	1 839 824	112,4
Poland	149 902	170 355	113,6	441 784	505 314	114,4
Portugal	27 997	27 477	98,1	17 872	20 057	112,2
Romania	117 015	115 941	99,1	154 996	163 306	105,4
Northern Ireland	1 593	597	37,4	2 604	3 582	137,6
Slovakia	72 894	93 313	128,0	279 217	270 500	96,9
Slovenia	783 895	886 393	113,1	1 432 525	1 503 201	104,9
Spain	113 020	120 924	107,0	228 028	316 748	138,9
Sweden	70 479	65 635	93,1	82 099	94 598	115,2
Not classified	2 212	2 802	126,6	51	8	15,3
<b>EFTA countries</b>	120 558	127 358	105,6	66 886	75 918	113,5
Iceland	664	1 112	167,6	13	58	430,7
Liechtenstein	7 952	7 598	95,5	11	8	70,4
Norway	25 589	16 174	63,2	6 516	7 913	121,4
Switzerland	86 353	102 474	118,7	60 345	67 939	112,6
<b>CEFTA countries</b>	1 241 743	1 379 613	111,1	866 497	885 792	102,2
Albania	26 025	29 016	111,5	18 231	11 143	61,1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	683 066	709 441	103,9	429 268	447 396	104,2
Montenegro	79 974	98 471	123,1	2 379	2 234	93,9
Kosovo	41 962	50 164	119,5	4 091	4 408	107,8
Moldova	605	548	90,5	936	1 206	128,8
North Macedonia	51 523	58 717	114,0	40 798	35 353	86,7
Serbia	358 588	433 257	120,8	370 794	384 051	103,6
<b>OPEC countries</b>	55 156	53 140	96,3	54 042	58 983	109,1
Algeria	549	2 321	422,7	15 324	16 671	108,8
Angola	1 152	1 071	93,0	-	-	-
Equatorial Guinea	32	175	545,2	-	-	-
Gabon	456	427	93,6	0	59	1)
Iraq	1 815	2 578	142,1	365	169	46,3
Iran, Islamic Republic of	2 095	1 770	84,5	1 942	1 265	65,1
Congo	147	572	389,7	-	1	-
Kuwait	3 112	2 081	66,9	1	6	892,7
Libya	1 661	1 371	82,5	2 387	-	-
Nigeria	556	7 432	1)	14 384	39 287	273,1
Saudi Arabia	19 833	16 944	85,4	5 319	596	11,2
United Arab Emirates	23 745	15 875	66,9	14 256	930	6,5
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	3	522	1)	65	-	-

<b>Other countries in Europe</b>	254 603	312 350	122,7	404 305	330 067	81,6
Belarus	4 452	3 347	75,2	1 972	273	13,8
Russian Federation	40 921	70 919	173,3	113 940	29 769	26,1
Turkey	121 861	128 093	105,1	224 731	234 428	104,3
United Kingdom	74 713	77 581	103,8	42 979	31 965	74,4
Ukraine	12 542	32 326	257,8	20 551	32 994	160,5
Other countries	113	84	74,0	132	639	483,8
<b>Other countries in Asia</b>	160 763	164 494	102,3	865 006	778 916	90,0
Azerbaijan	4 933	1 898	38,5	211 380	57 145	27,0
Bangladesh	947	259	27,3	4 908	18 347	373,8
Philippines	2 300	1 032	44,9	359	774	215,7
Hong Kong, China	2 843	3 462	121,8	1 510	862	57,1
India	5 236	4 977	95,0	56 687	123 971	218,7
Indonesia	2 602	3 659	140,6	10 519	19 158	182,1
Israel	11 398	9 123	80,0	12 576	11 842	94,2
Japan	38 253	48 427	126,6	12 480	22 104	177,1
Qatar	6 137	1 682	27,4	639	1 043	163,3
Kazakhstan	6 627	16 390	247,3	40 995	10 017	24,4
China	33 340	25 037	75,1	416 678	402 783	96,7
Korea, Republic of	3 213	4 440	138,2	38 932	23 616	60,7
Lebanon	7 645	7 364	96,3	5	45	878,4
Malaysia	793	1 082	136,5	5 482	7 219	131,7
Pakistan	120	2 633	1)	6 204	5 511	88,8
Singapore	2 826	2 094	74,1	6 636	7 185	108,3
Thailand	2 827	2 029	71,8	5 176	6 233	120,4
Taiwan, China	7 696	4 230	55,0	10 071	14 740	146,4
Viet Nam	9 934	11 449	115,2	15 658	33 296	212,6
Other countries	11 090	13 224	119,2	8 111	13 024	160,6
<b>Other countries in Africa</b>	51 336	61 935	120,6	33 327	244 789	734,5
Egypt	30 023	31 641	105,4	17 759	14 729	82,9
Ethiopia	683	919	134,6	1 517	3 258	214,8
South Africa	3 796	5 193	136,8	5 428	25 851	476,2
Morocco	9 253	14 970	161,8	2 997	4 258	142,1
Mozambique	6	30	532,7	2 870	191 000	1)
Tunisia	714	713	99,8	728	2 251	309,3
Other countries	6 862	8 469	123,4	2 029	3 441	169,6
<b>Other countries in America</b>	194 479	225 949	116,2	864 343	622 449	72,0
Argentina	2 760	770	27,9	3 684	3 438	93,3
Brazil	3 118	3 423	109,8	6 170	4 415	71,6
Canada	13 631	22 286	163,5	7 205	10 015	139,0
Mexico	1 815	2 898	159,7	7 380	5 919	80,2
United States	166 865	190 592	114,2	828 815	527 555	63,7
Other countries	6 290	5 980	95,1	11 088	71 107	641,3
<b>Countries of Oceania</b>	9 530	11 731	123,1	4 999	2 086	41,7
Australia	8 768	10 961	125,0	3 808	1 513	39,7
New Zealand	609	687	112,8	184	483	262,8
Other countries	153	83	54,2	1 008	90	8,9
<b>Not classified</b>	4 257	49 998	1)	97 651	55 744	57,1

1) The index exceeds 999.

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

Thousand euro

	I - V 2022	I - V 2023	Indices $\frac{I - V 2023}{I - V 2022}$
Export	9 006 659	9 606 402	106,7
EU Member States	6 285 277	6 598 772	105,0
Non-EU Member States	2 721 382	3 007 630	110,5
Import	16 264 308	16 494 814	101,4
EU Member States	11 983 610	12 561 794	104,8
Non-EU Member States	4 280 697	3 933 021	91,9
Balance of foreign trade in goods	-7 257 649	-6 888 412	1)
Coverage of import by export, %	55,4	58,2	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 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 Regulation (EU) 2020/1197 and 2021/1225 and the 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 American 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 Member Countries are 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

## Symbols

-	no occurrence
0	value not zero but less than 0.5 of the unit of measure used

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