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COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF GREECE: May 2018

(Provisional Data)

The total value of imports-arrivals, in May 2018 amounted to 4,408.3 million euros (5,191.7 million dollars) in comparison with 4,313.8 million euros (4,755.6 million dollars) in May 2017, recording an increase, in euros, of 2.2%. The corresponding change excluding oil products in May 2018 recorded a drop of 41.1 million euros or 1.2% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships in May 2018, recorded an increase of 92.4 million euros or 2.9% (Table 1).

The total value of exports-dispatches, in May 2018 amounted to 2,941.7 million euros (3,485.4 million dollars) in comparison with 2,572.1 million euros (2,852.6 million dollars) in May 2017, recording an increase, in euros, of 14.4%. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded in May 2018 an increase of 144.6 million euros or 8.4% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships in May 2018 recorded an increase of 151.7 million euros or 8.8% (Table 1).

The deficit of the trade balance, in May 2018 amounted to 1,466.6 million euros (1,706.3 million dollars) in comparison with 1,741.7 million euros (1,903.0 million dollars) in May 2017, recording a drop, in euros, of 15.8%. The corresponding change of deficit excluding oil products in May 2018 recorded a drop of 185.7 million euros or 11.3% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships in May 2018 recorded a drop of 59.3 million euros or 4.2% (Table 1).

The total value of imports-arrivals, for the 5-month period from January to May 2018 amounted to 21,966.2 million euros (26,703.4 million dollars) in comparison with 21,882.0 million euros (23,437.9 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2017, recording an increase, in euros, of **0.4%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded a drop of 677.9 million euros or 4.0% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships recorded an increase of 1,038.9 million euros or 7.1% (Table 5).

The total value of exports-dispatches, for the 5-month period from January to May 2018 amounted to 13,414.4 million euros (16,396.4 million dollars) in comparison with 11,802.4 million euros (12,729.3 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2017, recording an increase, in euros, of 13.7%. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 997.8 million euros or 12.4% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships recorded an increase of 1,007.7 million euros or 12.6% (Table 5).

The deficit of the Trade Balance, for the 5-month period from January to May 2018 amounted to 8,551.8 million euros (10,307.0 million dollars) in comparison with 10,079.6 million euros (10,708.6 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2017, recording a drop, in euros, of 15.2%. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded a drop of 1,675.7 million euros or 19.0% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships recorded an increase of 31.2 million euros or 0.5% (Table 5).

The monthly data of Intra EU transactions, have been adjusted to the total trade transactions with EU countries, including the transactions below the statistical threshold (1), on the basis of the Recapitulative Statements of Intra-EU Deliveries and Acquisitions that are submitted by the enterprises in the Ministry of Finance. Accordingly, the provisional data from the "incomplete customs declarations" have been incorporated in the monthly data on trade with third countries and, after having been completed, they will be replaced by the final data.

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⁽¹⁾ By virtue of EU Regulations on the compilation of intra-EU trade statistics, Member States set out a "statistical exemption threshold". On the basis of the exemption threshold, the enterprises whose transactions are below the statistical threshold are exempted from the obligation to submit data on their intra-Community transactions (Intrastat declaration). The aim is to reduce the burden on enterprises. The statistical exemption threshold, valid for each year, is specified and released by ELSTAT on a yearly basis.

Table 1. Trade Balance: May 2016 - 2018

Million euros

	May			Changes %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Total Imports-Arrivals	3,562.0	4,313.8	4,408.3	21.1	2.2
II. Excluding the value of ships	3,487.6	4,081.8	4,309.8	17.0	5.6
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	2,845.7	3,365.1	3,324.0	18.3	-1.2
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	2,771.3	3,133.1	3,225.5	13.1	2.9
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Total Exports-Dispatches	2,041.0	2,572.1	2,941.7	26.0	14.4
II. Excluding the value of ships	2,028.0	2,561.6	2,938.3	26.3	14.7
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1,435.5	1,726.1	1,870.7	20.2	8.4
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	1,422.5	1,715.6	1,867.3	20.6	8.8
C. Trade Balance (=B.I-A.I)	-1,521.0	-1,741.7	-1,466.6	14.5	-15.8
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-1,459.6	-1,520.2	-1,371.5	4.2	-9.8
E. Trade Balance					
excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-1,410.2	-1,639.0	-1,453.3	16.2	-11.3
F. Trade Balance excluding oil products and the value of ships (=B.IV - A.IV)	-1,348.8	-1,417.5	-1,358.2	5.1	-4.2

USD (2) million

·	May		·	Chang	es %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Total Imports-Arrivals	4,017.1	4,755.6	5,191.7	18.4	9.2
II. Excluding the value of ships	3,933.2	4,499.8	5,075.7	14.4	12.8
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	3,209.2	3,709.6	3,914.7	15.6	5.5
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	3,125.4	3,453.9	3,798.7	10.5	10.0
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Total Exports-Dispatches	2,315.7	2,852.6	3,485.4	23.2	22.2
II. Excluding the value of ships	2,300.9	2,841.0	3,481.3	23.5	22.5
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1,628.7	1,914.4	2,216.4	17.5	15.8
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	1,613.9	1,902.8	2,212.3	17.9	16.3
C. Trade Balance (=B.I-A.I)	-1,701.4	-1,903.0	-1,706.3	11.8	-10.3
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-1,632.3	-1,658.8	-1,594.4	1.6	-3.9
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-1,580.5	-1,795.2	-1,698.3	13.6	-5.4
F. Trade Balance excluding oil products and the value of ships (=B.IV - A.IV)	-1,511.5	-1,551.1	-1,586.4	2.6	2.3

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Table 2. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products, May 2016 - 2018

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	2,030.1	2,329.9	2,395.2	14.8	2.8
II. Third countries	1,531.9	1,983.9	2,013.1	29.5	1.5
Total	3,562.0	4,313.8	4,408.3	21.1	2.2

Imports-Arrivals (USD (2) million)

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	2,289.5	2,568.5	2,820.9	12.2	9.8
II. Third countries	1,727.6	2,187.1	2,370.8	26.6	8.4
Total	4,017.1	4,755.6	5,191.7	18.4	9.2

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	1,165.0	1,350.4	1,455.4	15.9	7.8
II. Third countries	876.0	1,221.7	1,486.3	39.5	21.7
Total	2,041.0	2,572.1	2,941.7	26.0	14.4

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	1,321.7	1,497.6	1,724.4	13.3	15.1
II. Third countries	994.0	1,355.0	1,761.0	36.3	30.0
Total	2,315.7	2,852.6	3,485.4	23.2	22.2

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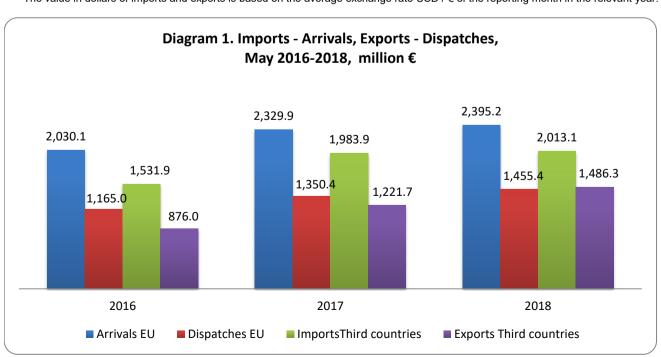


Table 3. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, May 2016 - 2018

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	1,976.3	2,248.3	2,302.4	13.8	2.4
II. Third countries	869.4	1,116.8	1,021.6	28.5	-8.5
Total	2,845.7	3,365.1	3,324.0	18.3	-1.2

Imports-Arrivals (USD (2) million)

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	2,228.8	2,478.6	2,711.6	11.2	9.4
II. Third countries	980.4	1,231.0	1,203.1	25.6	-2.3
Total	3,209.2	3,709.6	3,914.7	15.6	5.5

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	May			Char	nges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	998.9	1,145.8	1,280.4	14.7	11.7
II. Third countries	436.6	580.3	590.3	32.9	1.7
Total	1,435.5	1,726.1	1,870.7	20.2	8.4

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	1,133.3	1,270.7	1,517.0	12.1	19.4
II. Third countries	495.4	643.7	699.4	29.9	8.7
Total	1,628.7	1,914.4	2,216.4	17.5	15.8

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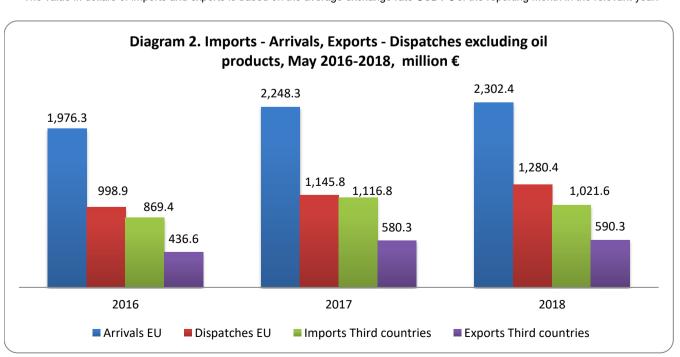


Table 4: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, May 2016 - 2018

	Мау			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	1,972.8	2,242.4	2,298.4	13.7	2.5
II. Third countries	798.5	890.7	927.1	11.5	4.1
Total	2,771.3	3,133.1	3,225.5	13.1	2.9

Imports-Arrivals (USD (2) million)

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	2,224.9	2,472.0	2,706.8	11.1	9.5
II. Third countries	900.5	981.9	1,091.9	9.0	11.2
Total	3,125.4	3,453.9	3,798.7	10.5	10.0

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	Мау			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	997.9	1,144.4	1,279.4	14.7	11.8
II. Third countries	424.6	571.2	587.9	34.5	2.9
Total	1,422.5	1,715.6	1,867.3	20.6	8.8

	May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	1,132.2	1,269.1	1,515.8	12.1	19.4
II. Third countries	481.7	633.7	696.5	31.6	9.9
Total	1,613.9	1,902.8	2,212.3	17.9	16.3

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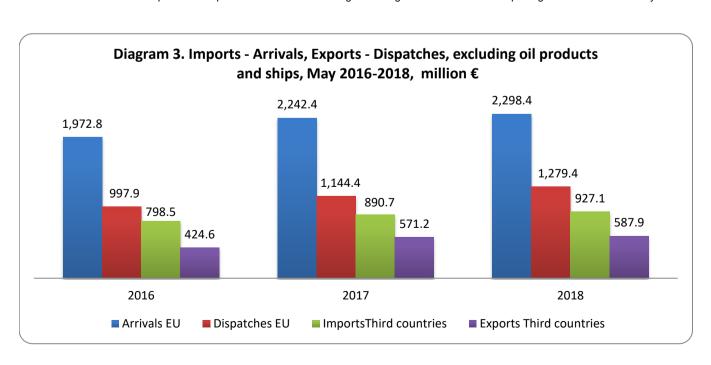


Table 5. Trade Balance : January - May 2016 - 2018

Million euros

	J	anuary - May		Changes %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Total Imports-Arrivals	17,979.8	21,882.0	21,966.2	21.7	0.4
II. Excluding the value of ships	16,763.7	19,607.7	21,408.7	17.0	9.2
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	14,831.5	16,817.5	16,139.6	13.4	-4.0
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	13,615.4	14,543.2	15,582.1	6.8	7.1
B. Exports-Dispatches					
Total Exports-Dispatches	9,881.6	11,802.4	13,414.4	19.4	13.7
II. Excluding the value of ships	9,826.6	11,752.7	13,374.7	19.6	13.8
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	7,517.0	8,020.6	9,018.4	6.7	12.4
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	7,462.1	7,970.9	8,978.6	6.8	12.6
C. Trade Balance (=B.I-A.I)	-8,098.2	-10,079.6	-8,551.8	24.5	-15.2
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-6,937.1	-7,855.0	-8,034.0	13.2	2.3
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-7,314.5	-8,796.9	-7,121.2	20.3	-19.0
F. Trade Balance excluding oil products and the value of ships (=B.IV - A.IV)	-6,153.3	-6,572.3	-6,603.5	6.8	0.5

USD (2) million

	January - May		Chang	es %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Total Imports-Arrivals	20,001.0	23,437.9	26,703.4	17.2	13.9
II. Excluding the value of ships	18,638.3	21,012.1	26,023.8	12.7	23.9
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	16,499.0	18,015.8	19,619.5	9.2	8.9
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	15,136.2	15,590.0	18,939.9	3.0	21.5
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Total Exports-Dispatches	11,052.7	12,729.3	16,396.4	15.2	28.8
II. Excluding the value of ships	10,990.5	12,675.9	16,347.6	15.3	29.0
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	8,405.0	8,649.6	11,029.0	2.9	27.5
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	8,342.6	8,596.4	10,980.3	3.0	27.7
C. Trade Balance (=B.I-A.I)	-8,948.3	-10,708.6	-10,307.0	19.7	-3.8
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-7,647.8	-8,336.2	-9,676.2	9.0	16.1
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-8,094.0	-9,366.2	-8,590.5	15.7	-8.3
F. Trade Balance excluding oil products and the value of ships (=B.IV - A.IV)	-6,793.6	-6,993.6	-7,959.6	2.9	13.8

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Table 6. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products, January-May 2016-2018

	January - May				
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	9,819.3	10,616.2	11,402.4	8.1	7.4
II. Third countries	8,160.5	11,265.8	10,563.8	38.1	-6.2
Total	17,979.8	21,882.0	21,966.2	21.7	0.4

Imports-Arrivals (USD (2) million)

	January - May		Changes %		
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	10,918.2	11,382.1	13,859.1	4.2	21.8
II. Third countries	9,082.8	12,055.8	12,844.3	32.7	6.5
Total	20,001.0	23,437.9	26,703.4	17.2	13.9

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	January - May			Changes %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	5,811.1	6,359.8	7,067.7	9.4	11.1
II. Third countries	4,070.5	5,442.6	6,346.7	33.7	16.6
Total	9,881.6	11,802.4	13,414.4	19.4	13.7

	January - May			Changes %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	6,497.4	6,858.1	8,643.8	5.6	26.0
II. Third countries	4,555.3	5,871.2	7,752.6	28.9	32.0
Total	11,052.7	12,729.3	16,396.4	15.2	28.8

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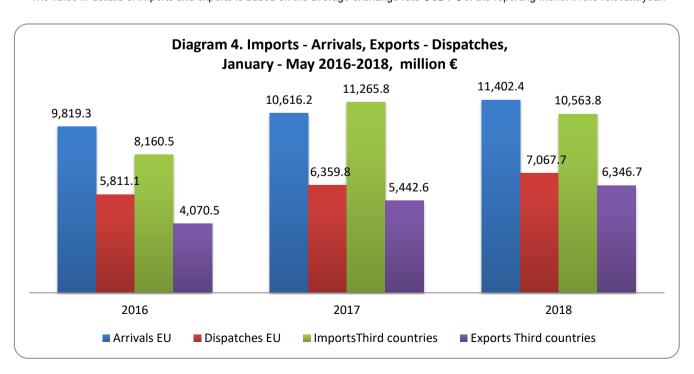


Table 7. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, January-May 2016-2018

	January - May		Changes %		
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	9,633.1	10,275.2	10,999.7	6.7	7.1
II. Third countries	5,198.4	6,542.3	5,139.9	25.9	-21.4
Total	14,831.5	16,817.5	16,139.6	13.4	-4.0

Imports-Arrivals (USD (2) million)

	January - May		Changes %		
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	10,710.3	11,016.5	13,369.9	2.9	21.4
II. Third countries	5,788.7	6,999.3	6,249.6	20.9	-10.7
Total	16,499.0	18,015.8	19,619.5	9.2	8.9

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	January - May			Changes %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	5,192.9	5,501.6	6,239.3	5.9	13.4
II. Third countries	2,324.1	2,519.0	2,779.1	8.4	10.3
Total	7,517.0	8,020.6	9,018.4	6.7	12.4

	January - May			Changes %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	5,805.1	5,931.3	7,631.0	2.2	28.7
II. Third countries	2,599.9	2,718.3	3,398.0	4.6	25.0
Total	8,405.0	8,649.6	11,029.0	2.9	27.5

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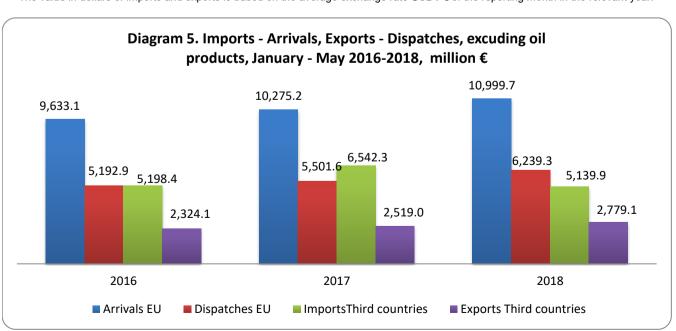


Table 8: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, January- May 2016 - 2018

	January - May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	9,616.3	10,250.3	10,969.9	6.6	7.0
II. Third countries	3,999.1	4,292.9	4,612.2	7.3	7.4
Total	13,615.4	14,543.2	15,582.1	6.8	7.1

Imports-Arrivals (USD (2) million)

	January - May			Chan	ges %
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	10,691.6	10,989.8	13,333.6	2.8	21.3
II. Third countries	4,444.6	4,600.2	5,606.3	3.5	21.9
Total	15,136.2	15,590.0	18,939.9	3.0	21.5

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	January - May			Changes %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	5,188.5	5,475.2	6,227.7	5.5	13.7
II. Third countries	2,273.6	2,495.7	2,750.9	9.8	10.2
Total	7,462.1	7,970.9	8,978.6	6.8	12.6

	January - May			Changes %	
	2016	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2017/2016	2018/2017
I. European Union	5,800.2	5,903.2	7,616.7	1.8	29.0
II. Third countries	2,542.4	2,693.2	3,363.6	5.9	24.9
Total	8,342.6	8,596.4	10,980.3	3.0	27.7

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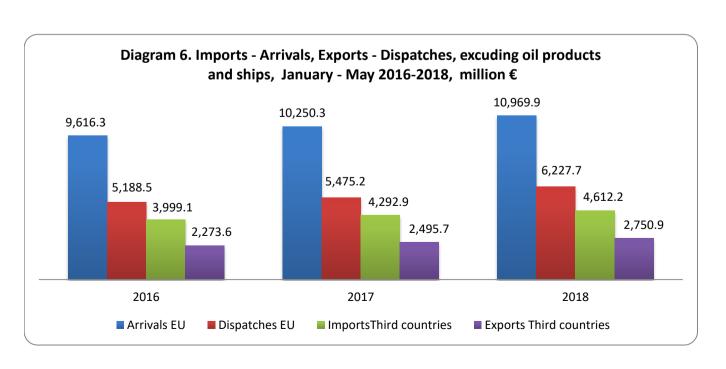


Table 9. Imports - Arrivals and Exports - Dispatches by SITC sections (Standard International Trade Classification) including oil products, May 2018⁽¹⁾

Imports - Arrivals (in million €)

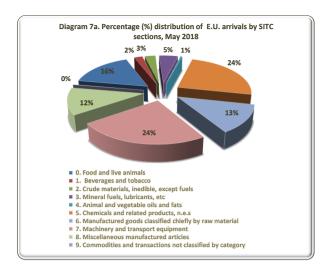
	May 2018		January-N	May 2018
	E.U.	Third countries	E.U.	Third countries
Total	2,395.2	2,013.1	11,402.4	10,563.9
0. Food and live animals	391.3	100.3	1,804.9	496.3
Beverages and tobacco	51.5	12.2	211.8	54.0
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	65.1	64.9	303.7	275.2
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	114.9	1,006.3	515.1	5,488.4
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	11.2	9.1	62.3	41.0
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	578.3	115.3	2,726.7	602.3
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	308.4	256.9	1,429.6	1,247.8
7. Machinery and transport equipment	578.3	301.1	2,730.5	1,652.8
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	294.1	146.7	1,608.3	702.5
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	2.2	0.19	9.6	3.6

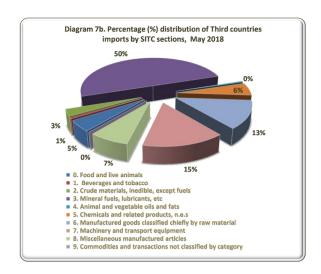
Exports - Dispatches (in million €)

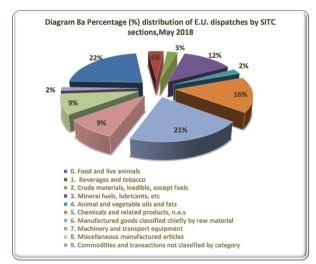
	May 2	May 2018		May 2018
	E.U.	Third countries	E.U.	Third countries
Total	1,455.4	1,486.3	7,067.7	6,346.7
0. Food and live animals	325.5	82.1	1,459.9	432.6
Beverages and tobacco	56.8	26.7	181.5	96.3
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	38.3	71.3	186.2	356.0
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	183.7	898.3	878.4	3,575.9
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	34.1	9.1	314.9	50.9
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	228.2	78.8	1,024.0	380.8
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	301.9	167.3	1,403.0	741.5
7. Machinery and transport equipment	131.9	74.7	824.4	383.9
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	131.4	55.8	668.9	219.2
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	23.6	22.1	126.5	109.5

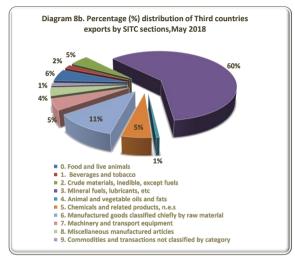
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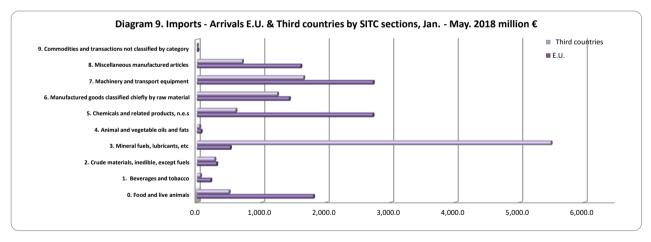
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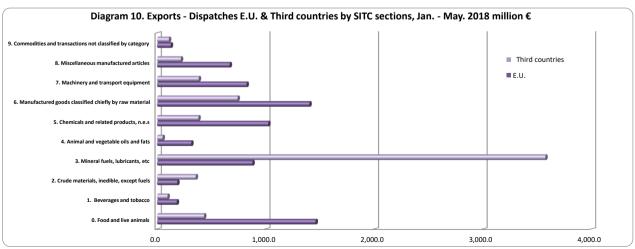


Table 10. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2016-2018

		Imports - Arrivals		Exports - Dispatches			
Year and Month	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year	
2016: 1	2,933.5	-21.0	-6.7	1,716.2	-23.2	-8.3	
2	3,593.0	22.5	2.9	1,909.7	11.3	-6.7	
3	3,672.5	2.2	-16.1	2,097.4	9.8	-11.3	
4	4,218.8	14.9	8.6	2,117.2	0.9	-3.2	
5	3,562.0	-15.6	-2.4	2,041.0	-3.6	-11.5	
6	3,641.6	2.2	-3.2	2,128.5	4.3	-5.2	
7	3,655.7	0.4	20.1	2,264.8	6.4	-2.6	
8	3,192.9	-12.7	6.8	1,947.6	-14.0	1.9	
9	3,774.5	18.2	5.7	2,377.6	22.1	17.7	
10	4,098.7	8.6	-5.0	2,293.9	-3.5	2.6	
11	3,896.7	-4.9	6.4	2,239.3	-2.4	7.9	
12	3,947.5	1.3	6.3	2,330.2	4.1	4.3	
Total year	44,187.4		1.3	25,463.5		-1.4	
2017 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	4,470.3	13.2	52.4	2,141.5	-8.1	24.8	
2	4,172.0	-6.7	16.1	2,107.8	-1.6	10.4	
3	4,778.9	14.5	30.1	2,660.2	26.2	26.8	
4	4,147.0	-13.2	-1.7	2,320.7	-12.8	9.6	
5	4,313.8	4.0	21.1	2,572.1	10.8	26.0	
6	3,912.9	-9.3	7.4	2,408.0	-6.4	13.1	
7	3,986.2	1.9	9.0	2,429.7	0.9	7.3	
8	3,701.2	-7.2	15.9	2,032.9	-16.3	4.4	
9	3,772.0	1.9	-0.1	2,424.4	19.3	2.0	
10	4,727.3	25.3	15.3	2,512.8	3.6	9.5	
11	4,076.9	-13.8	4.6	2,615.2	4.1	16.8	
12	4,247.5	4.2	7.6	2,643.6	1.1	13.5	
Total year	50,305.9		13.8	28,868.9		13.4	
2018 ⁽¹⁾ : 1	4,523.4	6.5	1.2	2,540.7	-3.9	18.6	
2	4,145.2	-8.4	-0.6	2,426.0	-4.5	15.1	
3	4,531.4	9.3	-5.2	2,899.2	19.5	9.0	
4	4,357.9	-3.8	5.1	2,606.8	-10.1	12.3	
5	4,408.3	1.2	2.2	2,941.7	12.8	14.4	

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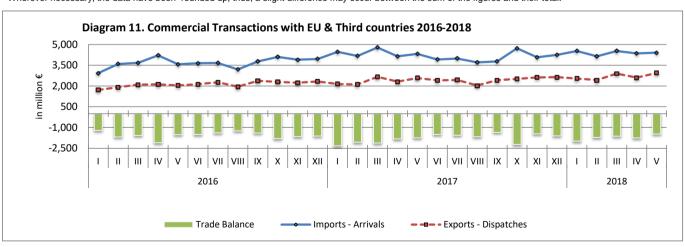
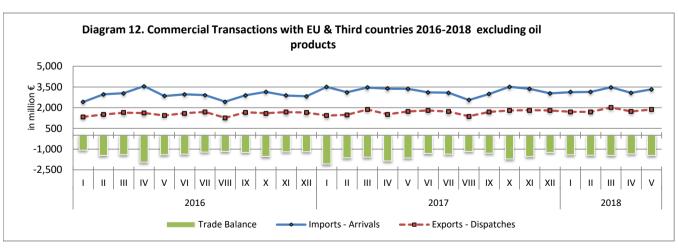


Table 11. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2016 - 2018 excluding oil products

		Imports - Arrivals		E	xports - Dispatche	es
Year and Month	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year
2016: 1	2,413.7	-12.3	-1.1	1,329.9	-21.5	-4.3
2	2,962.4	22.7	13.9	1,500.5	12.8	3.9
3	3,048.3	2.9	-1.3	1,639.0	9.2	-0.2
4	3,561.4	16.8	27.7	1,612.1	-1.6	2.8
5	2,845.7	-20.1	1.1	1,435.5	-11.0	-5.8
6	2,968.3	4.3	-0.6	1,597.9	11.3	-3.2
7	2,907.3	-2.1	28.3	1,688.3	5.7	1.8
8	2,437.7	-16.2	27.7	1,263.8	-25.1	2.9
9	2,900.6	19.0	4.4	1,664.9	31.7	13.0
10	3,138.0	8.2	-12.2	1,598.7	-4.0	0.2
11	2,879.5	-8.2	5.1	1,683.6	5.3	12.6
12	2,826.2	-1.9	2.7	1,640.5	-2.6	-3.1
Total year	34,889.2		6.6	18,654.7		1.6
2017 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	3,503.0	23.9	45.1	1,427.3	-13.0	7.3
2	3,117.9	-11.0	5.2	1,480.4	3.7	-1.3
3	3,452.5	10.7	13.3	1,863.8	25.9	13.7
4	3,379.1	-2.1	-5.1	1,522.9	-18.3	-5.5
5	3,365.1	-0.4	18.3	1,726.2	13.4	20.2
6	3,112.9	-7.5	4.9	1,791.0	3.8	12.1
7	3,079.0	-1.1	5.9	1,710.4	-4.5	1.3
8	2,545.3	-17.3	4.4	1,379.0	-19.4	9.1
9	2,987.9	17.4	3.0	1,692.2	22.7	1.6
10	3,514.8	17.6	12.0	1,800.7	6.4	12.6
11	3,358.2	-4.5	16.6	1,815.3	0.8	7.8
12	3,034.1	-9.7	7.4	1,792.9	-1.2	9.3
Total year	38,449.6		10.2	20,002.1		7.2
2018 ⁽¹⁾ : 1	3,124.1	3.0	-10.8	1,706.8	-4.8	19.6
2	3,147.1	0.7	0.9	1,696.9	-0.6	14.6
3	3,477.2	10.5	0.7	2,021.9	19.2	8.5
4	3,067.3	-11.8	-9.2	1,722.0	-14.8	13.1
5	3,323.9	8.4	-1.2	1,870.7	8.6	8.4

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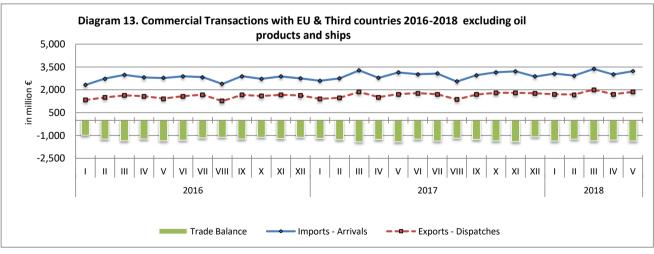


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Table 12. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2016 - 2018 excluding oil products and ships

			Imports - Arrivals		Exports - Dispatches			
Year and	Month	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year	
2016:	1	2,313.2	-12.3	-5.2	1,326.7	-21.3	-4.4	
	2	2,738.7	18.4	6.2	1,496.6	12.8	4.8	
	3	2,981.0	8.8	1.3	1,636.0	9.3	0.1	
	4	2,811.2	-5.7	5.0	1,580.3	-3.4	1.9	
	5	2,771.3	-1.4	1.0	1,422.5	-10.0	-5.0	
	6	2,884.6	4.1	-0.6	1,578.0	10.9	-3.9	
	7	2,833.4	-1.8	31.0	1,673.9	6.1	1.3	
	8	2,376.7	-16.1	26.9	1,259.3	-24.8	4.5	
	9	2,896.6	21.9	9.7	1,663.3	32.1	13.3	
	10	2,716.1	-6.2	-2.9	1,597.1	-4.0	0.3	
	11	2,876.9	5.9	5.1	1,670.5	4.6	13.8	
	12	2,747.2	-4.5	4.2	1,630.5	-2.4	-3.2	
Total y	year	32,947.1		5.8	18,534.6		1.8	
2017 ⁽¹	⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	2,593.0	-5.6	12.1	1,398.6	-14.2	5.4	
	2	2,752.3	6.1	0.5	1,479.1	5.8	-1.2	
	3	3,279.6	19.2	10.0	1,860.9	25.8	13.7	
	4	2,785.1	-15.1	-0.9	1,516.6	-18.5	-4.0	
	5	3,133.1	12.5	13.1	1,715.7	13.1	20.6	
	6	3,023.1	-3.5	4.8	1,780.6	3.8	12.8	
	7	3,067.0	1.5	8.2	1,706.5	-4.2	1.9	
	8	2,540.1	-17.2	6.9	1,364.9	-20.0	8.4	
	9	2,958.3	16.5	2.1	1,689.2	23.8	1.6	
	10	3,151.3	6.5	16.0	1,799.2	6.5	12.7	
	11	3,207.0	1.8	11.5	1,802.4	0.2	7.9	
	12	2,868.4	-10.6	4.4	1,776.4	-1.4	8.9	
Total y	year	35,358.2		7.3	19,890.0		7.3	
2018	^{(1):} 1	3,061.3	6.7	18.1	1,704.5	-4.0	21.9	
	2	2,925.2	-4.4	6.3	1,688.2	-1.0	14.1	
	3	3,366.8	15.1	2.7	2,012.9	19.2	8.2	
	4	3,003.4	-10.8	7.8	1,705.8	-15.3	12.5	
	5	3,225.5	7.4	2.9	1,867.2	9.5	8.8	

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Transactions of Greece

Commercial The Commercial Transactions of Greece are recorded on a monthly basis aiming at monitoring the total value of Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches as well as the relevant changes of the above-mentioned categories. Transactions reffering to services are not included, while they are taken into account for the compilation of the National Accounts tables, along with the commercial transactions.

Legal Framework

The survey is conducted in compliance with the requirements laid down in the following E.U. Regulations:

- Intra EU TRADE: Regulation 638/2004, as it was amended by Regulations 222/2009, 1093/2013 and
- Extrastat: Regulation 471/2009

Reference Period

May 2018

Availability of Results

38 days after the end of the reference month (provisional data). The provisional data are revised and disseminated on a monthly basis for all the previous months until the finalization of the yearly data, which takes place ten months after the end of the reference year.

Definitions

INTRASTAT is the system for collecting Intra EU statistical data (among the EU countries). It was implemented on January 1st, 1993.

Arrival is considered every import of goods from a country of the EU.

Dispatch is considered every export of goods to a country of the EU.

EXTRASTAT is the system for collecting external trade data with third countries (countries outside the EU).

Import is considered every import of goods from a third country (outside the EU).

Export is considered every export of goods to a third country (outside the EU).

Methodology

INTRASTAT: It is an exchaustive statistical survey. The parties responsible for providing statistical information through Intrastat System are the enterprises which perform intra EU trade transactions and they have exceeded the applied statistical thresholds. The statistical thresholds are readjusted each year. The statistical thresholds for 2018 are the following:

Arrivals: € 150,000.00 (95,0% coverage)

Dispatches: € 90,000.00 (98,0% coverage)

The statistical data of Intra EU-Trade include also the transactions of the enterprises, which are not obliged to submit Intrastat data since the value of their transactions is below the applied statistical threshold. In compliance with the obligations provided in the EU Regulations regarding the compilation of external trade statistics, these transactions are calculated on the basis of the Recapitulative Statements of Intra-EU Deliveries and Acquisitions that all the enterprises are obliged to submit to the Ministry of Finance.

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION: Intrastat declarations are submitted electronically via the following links: http://eurostat.statistics.gr or www.statistics.gr.

EXTRASTAT: It is a statistical survey where data are collected by administrative sources. The Customs Authorities collect the relevant statistical data on trade by filling in the Single Administrative Document (SAD). All the transactions with third countries above the amount of 1.000 euros are registered. In the beginning of each month Customs Authorities transmit to Hellenic Statistical Authority an electronic file with the customs data of statistical relevance of the previous month.

The statistical data of imports and exports of goods with the Third Countries, are derived from the data transmitted by the Customs Authorities.

The incorporation, henceforth, of the provisional data from the "incomplete customs declarations" - which concern mainly petroleum products - in the monthly data on trade with third countries; the "incomplete customs declarations" data after having been completed will be replaced by the final data.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF SHIPS: The data on imports and exports of ships from Third Countries are transmitted by the Customs Authorities and they are based on data pertaining to the registration and deregistration of ships under the Greek flag.

Classification of goods: The goods are classified in compliance with the 8-digit Combined Nomenclature Code (CN/8) and the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC).

References

More information concerning the survey on Commercial Transactions is available on the website of the Hellenic Statistical Authority (www.statistics.gr) under the link "Statistical Themes / Trade - Services / Imports-Exports / External Trade.