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### COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF GREECE : August 2016

( Provisional Data )

The total value of imports-arrivals, in August 2016 amounted to 3110,9 million euros (3477,4 million dollars) in comparison with 2988,3 million euros (3318,8 million dollars) in August 2015, recording an increase, in euros, of **4,1%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 517,0 million euros or 27,1% (Table 1)<sup>(1)</sup>.

The total value of exports-dispatches, in August 2016 amounted to 1912,9 million euros (2151,2 million dollars) in comparison with 1914,6 million euros (2139,0 million dollars) in August 2015, recording a drop, in euros, of **0,1%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 20,7 million euros or 1,7% (Table 1).

The deficit of the trade balance, in August 2016 amounted to 1198,0 million euros (1326,2 million dollars) in comparison with 1073,7 million euros (1179,8 million dollars) in August 2015, recording an increase, in euros, of **11,6%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 496,3 million euros or 73,6% (Table 1).

The total value of imports-arrivals, for the 8-month period from January to August 2016 amounted to 28340,1 million euros (31536,1 million dollars) in comparison with 28328,9 million euros (31403,0 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2015, presenting no significant change. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 2215,8 million euros or **10,6%** (Table 5).

The total value of exports-dispatches, for the 8-month period from January to August 2016 amounted to 16179,6 million euros (18106,3 million dollars) in comparison with 17270,0 million euros (19264,4 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2015, recording a drop, in euros, of **6,3%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded a drop of 64,5 million euros or 0,5% (Table 5).

The deficit of the Trade Balance, for the 8-month period from January to August 2016 amounted to 12160,5 million euros (13429,8 million dollars) in comparison with 11058,9 million euros (12138,6 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2015, recording an increase, in euros, of **10,0%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 2280,3 million euros or 26,0% (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 <sup>(1)</sup>), 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.

<sup>(1)</sup> 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.

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**Table 1. Trade Balance : August 2014 - 2016<sup>(1)</sup>**

*Million euros*

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
<b>A. Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	3.303,5	2.988,3	3.110,9	-9,5	4,1
II. Excluding the value of ships	3.302,1	2.953,3	3.049,9	-10,6	3,3
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	2.057,0	1.905,8	2.422,8	-7,4	27,1
<b>B. Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	2.070,8	1.914,6	1.912,9	-7,5	-0,1
II. Excluding the value of ships	2.062,5	1.890,8	1.908,5	-8,3	0,9
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1.143,3	1.231,7	1.252,4	7,7	1,7
<b>C. Trade Balance</b> including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	<b>-1.232,7</b>	<b>-1.073,7</b>	<b>-1.198,0</b>	<b>-12,9</b>	<b>11,6</b>
<b>D. Trade Balance</b> excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	<b>-1.239,6</b>	<b>-1.062,5</b>	<b>-1.141,4</b>	<b>-14,3</b>	<b>7,4</b>
<b>E. Trade Balance</b> excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	<b>-913,7</b>	<b>-674,1</b>	<b>-1.170,4</b>	<b>-26,2</b>	<b>73,6</b>

*USD<sup>(3)</sup> million*

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
<b>A. Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	4.386,0	3.318,8	3.477,4	-24,3	4,8
II. Excluding the value of ships	4.384,2	3.280,0	3.409,2	-25,2	3,9
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	2.731,1	2.116,6	2.708,3	-22,5	28,0
<b>B. Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	2.765,8	2.139,0	2.151,2	-22,7	0,6
II. Excluding the value of ships	2.754,7	2.112,4	2.146,3	-23,3	1,6
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1.527,1	1.376,1	1.408,4	-9,9	2,3
<b>C. Trade Balance</b> including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	<b>-1.620,2</b>	<b>-1.179,8</b>	<b>-1.326,2</b>	<b>-27,2</b>	<b>12,4</b>
<b>D. Trade Balance</b> excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	<b>-1.629,5</b>	<b>-1.167,6</b>	<b>-1.262,9</b>	<b>-28,3</b>	<b>8,2</b>
<b>E. Trade Balance</b> excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	<b>-1.204,0</b>	<b>-740,5</b>	<b>-1.299,9</b>	<b>-38,5</b>	<b>75,5</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional data..

<sup>(2)</sup> The data of the Intra EU trade have been adjusted to the total trade with EU countries. The "incomplete customs declarations" for the corresponding month have been incorporated in the data on trade with third countries.

**Table 2. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products, August 2014 - 2016<sup>(1)</sup>**

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	1.566,6	1.418,8	1.729,1	-9,4	21,9
II. Third countries	1.736,9	1.569,5	1.381,8	-9,6	-12,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.303,5</b>	<b>2.988,3</b>	<b>3.110,9</b>	<b>-9,5</b>	<b>4,1</b>

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	2.079,9	1.575,7	1.932,8	-24,2	22,7
II. Third countries	2.306,1	1.743,1	1.544,6	-24,4	-11,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.386,0</b>	<b>3.318,8</b>	<b>3.477,4</b>	<b>-24,3</b>	<b>4,8</b>

**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	920,0	1.003,3	996,8	9,1	-0,6
II. Third countries	1.150,8	911,3	916,1	-20,8	0,5
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.070,8</b>	<b>1.914,6</b>	<b>1.912,9</b>	<b>-7,5</b>	<b>-0,1</b>

**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	1.228,8	1.120,9	1.121,0	-8,8	0,0
II. Third countries	1.537,0	1.018,1	1.030,2	-33,8	1,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.765,8</b>	<b>2.139,0</b>	<b>2.151,2</b>	<b>-22,7</b>	<b>0,6</b>

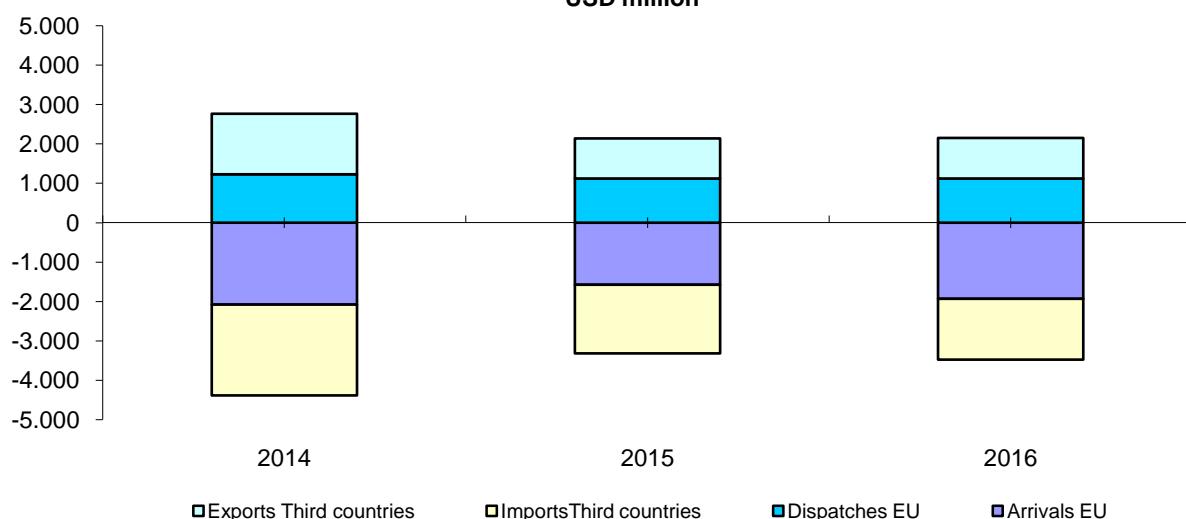
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<sup>(3)</sup> The value in dollars of imports and exports is based on the average exchange rate USD / € of the reporting month in the relevant year.

**Diagram 1. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products**

August  
USD million



**Table 3. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, August 2014 - 2016<sup>(1)</sup>**

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	1.503,8	1.350,3	1.640,9	-10,2	21,5
II. Third countries	553,2	555,5	781,9	0,4	40,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.057,0</b>	<b>1.905,8</b>	<b>2.422,8</b>	<b>-7,4</b>	<b>27,1</b>

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	1.996,6	1.499,6	1.834,3	-24,9	22,3
II. Third countries	734,5	617,0	874,0	-16,0	41,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.731,1</b>	<b>2.116,6</b>	<b>2.708,3</b>	<b>-22,5</b>	<b>28,0</b>

**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	715,7	808,7	841,3	13,0	4,0
II. Third countries	427,6	423,0	411,1	-1,1	-2,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.143,3</b>	<b>1.231,7</b>	<b>1.252,4</b>	<b>7,7</b>	<b>1,7</b>

**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

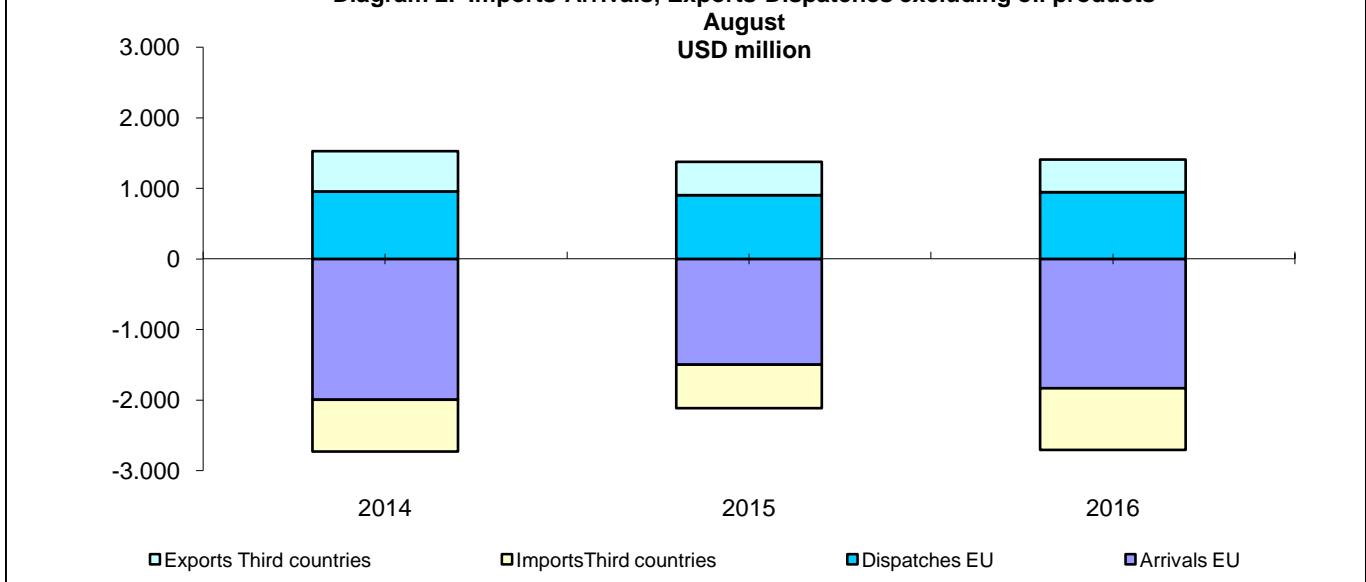
	August		Changes %		
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	955,9	903,5	946,1	-5,5	4,7
II. Third countries	571,2	472,6	462,3	-17,3	-2,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.527,1</b>	<b>1.376,1</b>	<b>1.408,4</b>	<b>-9,9</b>	<b>2,3</b>

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**Diagram 2. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products**



**Table 4: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, August 2014 - 2016<sup>(1)</sup>**

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

		August		Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	1.502,8	1.349,5	1.640,2	-10,2	21,5
II. Third countries	552,9	521,3	721,6	-5,7	38,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.055,7</b>	<b>1.870,8</b>	<b>2.361,8</b>	<b>-9,0</b>	<b>26,2</b>

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

		August		Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	1.995,2	1.498,8	1.833,5	-24,9	22,3
II. Third countries	734,0	579,0	806,6	-21,1	39,3
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.729,2</b>	<b>2.077,8</b>	<b>2.640,1</b>	<b>-23,9</b>	<b>27,1</b>

**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

		August		Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	715,4	807,2	840,9	12,8	4,2
II. Third countries	419,6	400,8	407,1	-4,5	1,6
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.135,0</b>	<b>1.208,0</b>	<b>1.248,0</b>	<b>6,4</b>	<b>3,3</b>

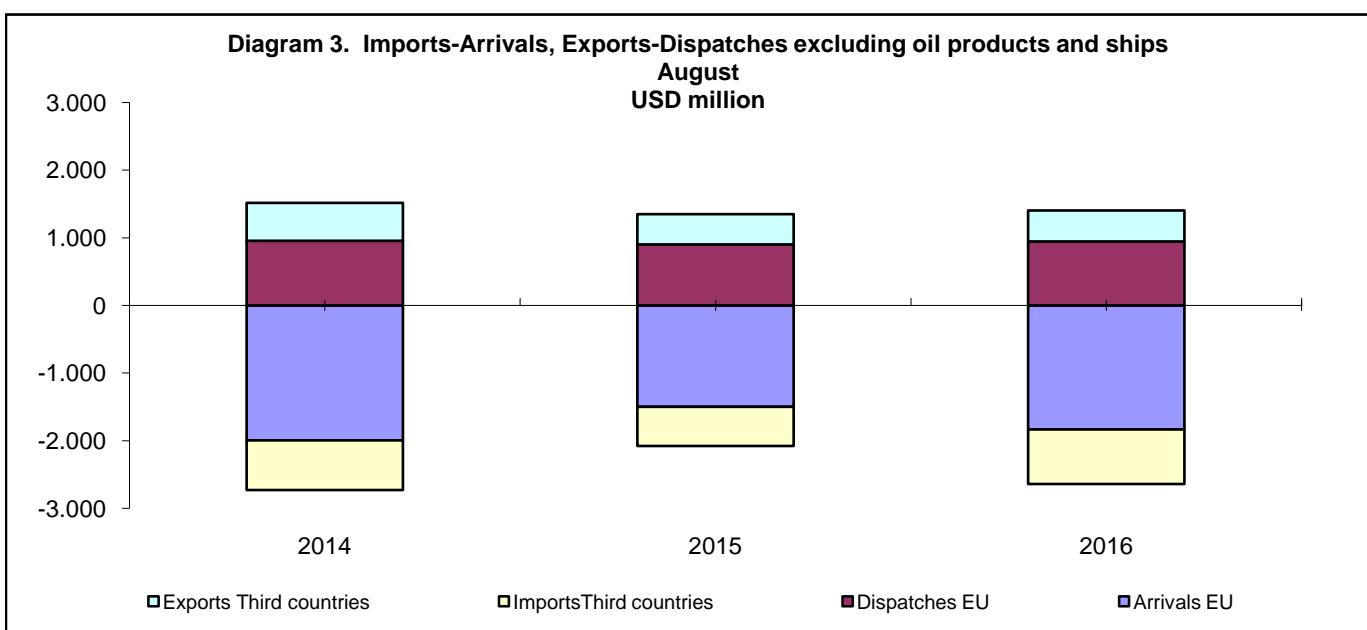
**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

		August		Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	955,5	901,8	945,7	-5,6	4,9
II. Third countries	560,4	447,7	457,8	-20,1	2,3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.515,9</b>	<b>1.349,5</b>	<b>1.403,5</b>	<b>-11,0</b>	<b>4,0</b>

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<sup>(3)</sup> The value in dollars of imports and exports is based on the average exchange rate USD / € of the reporting month in the relevant year.



**Table 5. Trade Balance : January - August 2014 - 2016**

<i>Million euros</i>	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
<b>A. Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	31.732,8	28.328,9	28.340,1	-10,7	0,0
II. Excluding the value of ships	30.092,7	27.755,3	26.906,1	-7,8	-3,1
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	21.299,8	20.883,4	23.099,2	-2,0	10,6
<b>B. Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	17.743,3	17.270,0	16.179,6	-2,7	-6,3
II. Excluding the value of ships	17.699,7	17.159,7	16.085,8	-3,1	-6,3
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	10.747,7	12.116,2	12.051,7	12,7	-0,5
<b>C. Trade Balance</b> including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	<b>-13.989,5</b>	<b>-11.058,9</b>	<b>-12.160,5</b>	<b>-20,9</b>	<b>10,0</b>
<b>D. Trade Balance</b> excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	<b>-12.393,0</b>	<b>-10.595,6</b>	<b>-10.820,3</b>	<b>-14,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>E. Trade Balance</b> excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	<b>-10.552,1</b>	<b>-8.767,2</b>	<b>-11.047,5</b>	<b>-16,9</b>	<b>26,0</b>
 <i>USD<sup>(3)</sup> million</i>					
	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
<b>A. Imports-Arrivals<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	43.156,3	31.403,0	31.536,1	-27,2	0,4
II. Excluding the value of ships	40.917,9	30.774,6	29.930,6	-24,8	-2,7
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	28.978,4	23.164,2	25.704,2	-20,1	11,0
<b>B. Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	24.265,2	19.264,4	18.106,3	-20,6	-6,0
II. Excluding the value of ships	24.205,6	19.141,6	18.000,7	-20,9	-6,0
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	14.705,2	13.518,8	13.482,8	-8,1	-0,3
<b>C. Trade Balance</b> including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	<b>-18.891,1</b>	<b>-12.138,6</b>	<b>-13.429,8</b>	<b>-35,7</b>	<b>10,6</b>
<b>D. Trade Balance</b> excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	<b>-16.712,3</b>	<b>-11.633,0</b>	<b>-11.929,9</b>	<b>-30,4</b>	<b>2,6</b>
<b>E. Trade Balance</b> excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	<b>-14.273,2</b>	<b>-9.645,4</b>	<b>-12.221,4</b>	<b>-32,4</b>	<b>26,7</b>

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**Table 6. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products, January-August 2014-2016**

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	January - August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	14.849,0	14.884,1	15.674,8	0,2	5,3
II. Third countries	16.883,8	13.444,8	12.665,3	-20,4	-5,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>31.732,8</b>	<b>28.328,9</b>	<b>28.340,1</b>	<b>-10,7</b>	<b>0,0</b>

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

	January - August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	20.197,0	16.514,2	17.438,8	-18,2	5,6
II. Third countries	22.959,3	14.888,8	14.097,3	-35,2	-5,3
<b>Total</b>	<b>43.156,3</b>	<b>31.403,0</b>	<b>31.536,1</b>	<b>-27,2</b>	<b>0,4</b>

**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	January - August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	8.516,6	9.457,3	9.393,5	11,0	-0,7
II. Third countries	9.226,7	7.812,7	6.786,1	-15,3	-13,1
<b>Total</b>	<b>17.743,3</b>	<b>17.270,0</b>	<b>16.179,6</b>	<b>-2,7</b>	<b>-6,3</b>

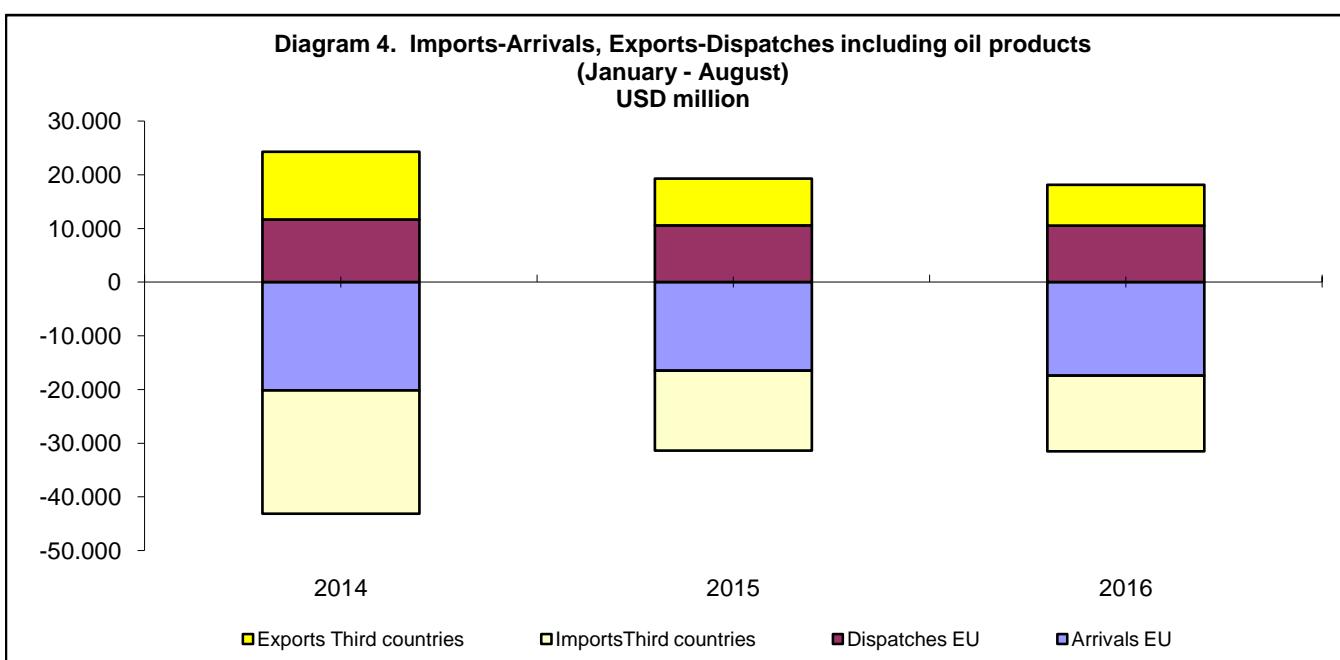
**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

	January - August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	11.650,6	10.551,7	10.509,6	-9,4	-0,4
II. Third countries	12.614,6	8.712,7	7.596,7	-30,9	-12,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>24.265,2</b>	<b>19.264,4</b>	<b>18.106,3</b>	<b>-20,6</b>	<b>-6,0</b>

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**Table 7. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, January-August 2014-2016**

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	14.249,8	14.330,6	15.286,8	0,6	6,7
II. Third countries	7.050,0	6.552,8	7.812,4	-7,1	19,2
Total	<b>21.299,8</b>	<b>20.883,4</b>	<b>23.099,2</b>	<b>-2,0</b>	<b>10,6</b>

**Imports-Arrivals<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	19.381,6	15.902,8	17.005,9	-17,9	6,9
II. Third countries	9.596,8	7.261,4	8.698,3	-24,3	19,8
Total	<b>28.978,4</b>	<b>23.164,2</b>	<b>25.704,2</b>	<b>-20,1</b>	<b>11,0</b>

**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	7.011,3	8.059,4	8.294,4	14,9	2,9
II. Third countries	3.736,4	4.056,8	3.757,3	8,6	-7,4
Total	<b>10.747,7</b>	<b>12.116,2</b>	<b>12.051,7</b>	<b>12,7</b>	<b>-0,5</b>

**Exports-Dispatches<sup>(2)</sup> (USD<sup>(3)</sup> million)**

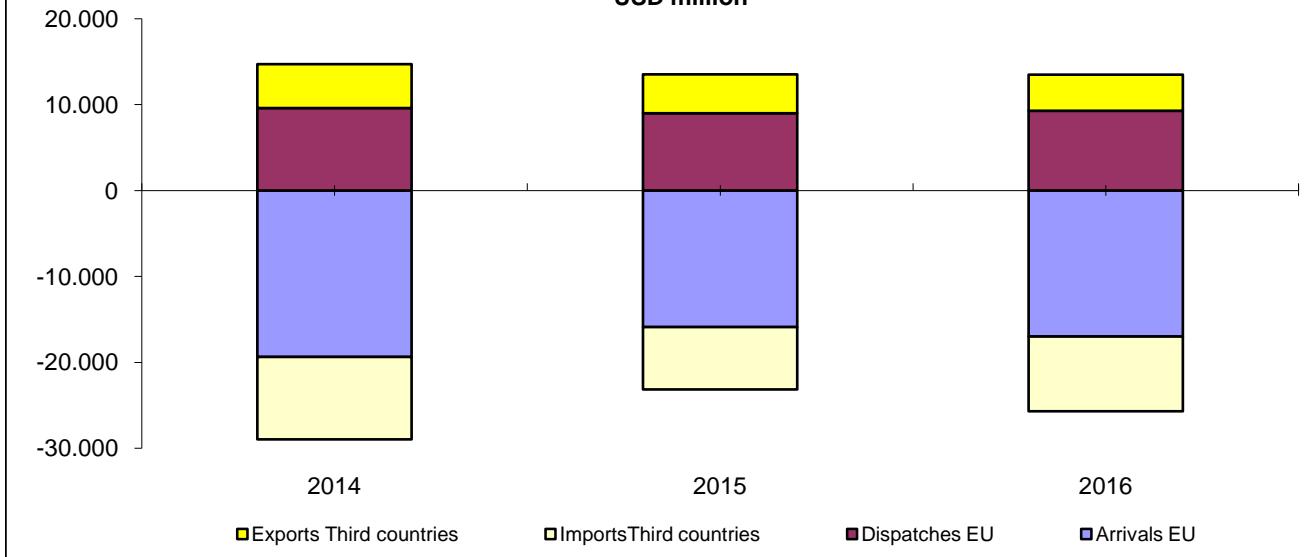
	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	9.594,7	8.993,6	9.278,1	-6,3	3,2
II. Third countries	5.110,5	4.525,2	4.204,7	-11,5	-7,1
Total	<b>14.705,2</b>	<b>13.518,8</b>	<b>13.482,8</b>	<b>-8,1</b>	<b>-0,3</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional data..

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<sup>(3)</sup> The value in dollars of imports and exports is based on the average exchange rate USD / € of the reporting month in the relevant year.

**Diagram 5. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products  
(January - August)  
USD million**



**Table 8: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, January- August 2014 - 2016**

**Imports-Arrivals <sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	14.229,7	14.301,5	15.265,6	0,5	6,7
II. Third countries	5.430,0	6.008,2	6.399,5	10,6	6,5
<b>Total</b>	<b>19.659,7</b>	<b>20.309,7</b>	<b>21.665,1</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>6,7</b>

**Imports-Arrivals <sup>(2)</sup> (USD <sup>(3)</sup> million)**

	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	19.354,2	15.870,8	16.982,3	-18,0	7,0
II. Third countries	7.385,9	6.664,9	7.116,5	-9,8	6,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>26.740,1</b>	<b>22.535,7</b>	<b>24.098,8</b>	<b>-15,7</b>	<b>6,9</b>

**Exports-Dispatches <sup>(2)</sup> (€ million)**

	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	7.003,6	8.037,5	8.287,6	14,8	3,1
II. Third countries	3.700,5	3.968,4	3.670,3	7,2	-7,5
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.704,1</b>	<b>12.005,9</b>	<b>11.957,9</b>	<b>12,2</b>	<b>-0,4</b>

**Exports-Dispatches <sup>(2)</sup> (USD <sup>(3)</sup> million)**

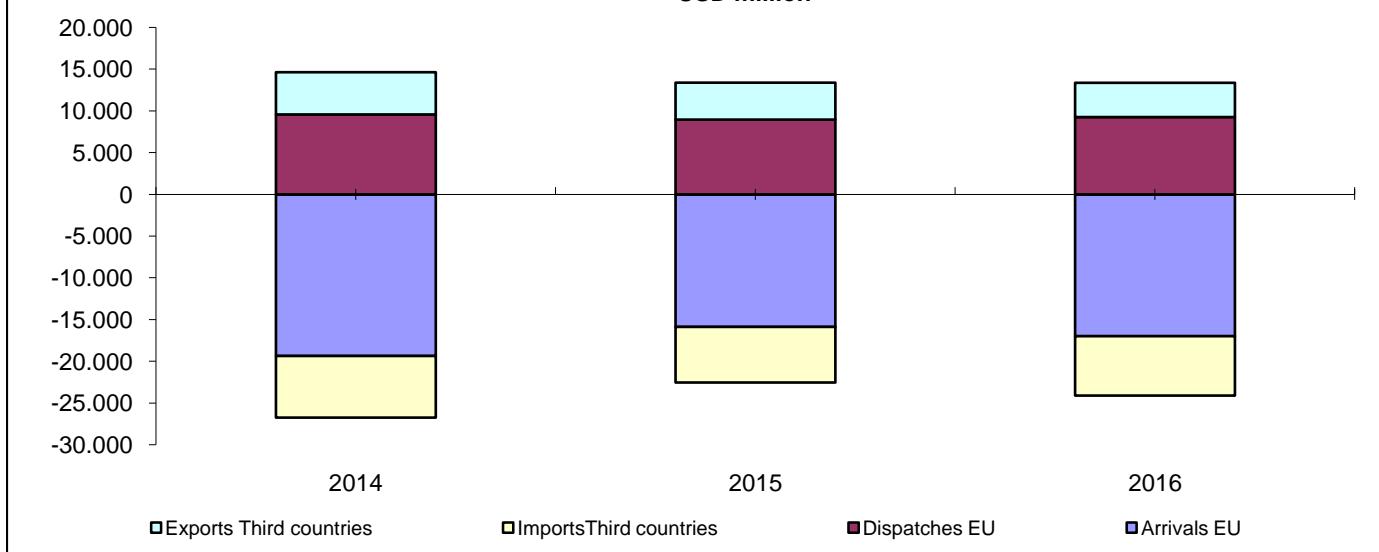
	January -August			Changes %	
	2014	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015/2014	2016/2015
I. European Union	9.584,1	8.968,9	9.270,6	-6,4	3,4
II. Third countries	5.061,5	4.427,1	4.106,6	-12,5	-7,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>14.645,6</b>	<b>13.396,0</b>	<b>13.377,2</b>	<b>-8,5</b>	<b>-0,1</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional data..

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<sup>(3)</sup> The value in dollars of imports and exports is based on the average exchange rate USD / € of the reporting month in the relevant year.

**Diagram 6. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships  
(January - August)  
USD million**



**Table 9. Imports - Arrivals and Exports - Dispatches by SITC sections (Standard International Trade Classification) including oil products, August 2016<sup>(1)</sup> and January-August 2016<sup>(1)</sup>**

**Imports - Arrivals (in million €)**

	August 2016		January-August 2016	
	European Union	Third countries	European Union	Third countries
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.729,1</b>	<b>1.381,8</b>	<b>15.674,8</b>	<b>12.665,3</b>
0. Food and live animals	363,3	76,9	2.785,4	683,8
1. Beverages and tobacco	36,2	9,9	341,3	82,6
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	28,6	43,1	318,9	393,6
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	118,7	609,7	589,0	4.953,9
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	10,7	6,2	99,5	60,3
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	371,9	99,2	3.686,6	918,0
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	183,5	162,9	1.992,4	1.512,4
7. Machinery and transport equipment	327,4	224,8	3.546,0	2.998,4
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	288,0	148,9	2.294,2	1.051,6
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	0,9	0,2	21,6	10,8

**Exports - Dispatches (in million €)**

	August 2016		January-August 2016	
	European Union	Third countries	European Union	Third countries
<b>Total</b>	<b>996,8</b>	<b>916,1</b>	<b>9.393,5</b>	<b>6.786,1</b>
0. Food and live animals	257,8	81,5	2.156,1	628,1
1. Beverages and tobacco	28,3	23,6	303,1	183,8
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	20,4	34,8	213,4	339,0
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	161,8	508,0	1.128,0	3.042,0
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	29,3	6,6	371,1	68,6
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	114,8	45,0	1.300,7	481,1
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	159,9	106,9	1.624,9	992,0
7. Machinery and transport equipment	98,9	58,2	1.140,5	603,6
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	102,4	35,8	962,7	299,6
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	23,3	15,7	193,0	148,3

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional data.

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**Table 10. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2014-2016**

Year and Month	Imports - Arrivals <sup>(2)</sup>			Exports - Dispatches <sup>(2)</sup>		
	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
2014: 1	3.808,3	7,3	-8,4	2.135,9	1,4	-2,2
2	4.105,6	7,8	3,1	2.066,5	-3,3	-1,8
3	4.126,4	0,5	11,1	2.161,4	4,6	2,5
4	3.668,2	-11,1	-6,8	2.053,2	-5,0	-17,9
5	4.027,4	9,8	4,1	2.272,3	10,7	-7,1
6	4.224,4	4,9	10,1	2.485,2	9,4	12,7
7	4.469,0	5,8	13,1	2.498,2	0,5	1,1
8	3.303,5	-26,1	-15,9	2.070,8	-17,1	-4,9
9	4.364,0	32,1	7,9	2.303,8	11,3	-6,8
10	4.292,1	-1,6	1,9	2.528,5	9,8	7,7
11	3.904,2	-9,0	2,3	2.342,3	-7,4	7,9
12	4.034,4	3,3	13,7	2.201,7	-6,0	4,5
Total year	48.327,6		2,8	27.119,7		-0,6
2015 <sup>(1)</sup> : 1	3.143,3	-22,1	-17,5	1.871,0	-15,0	-12,4
2	3.491,2	11,1	-15,0	2.047,1	9,4	-0,9
3	4.373,6	25,3	6,0	2.365,1	15,5	9,4
4	3.884,2	-11,2	5,9	2.185,7	-7,6	6,5
5	3.649,7	-6,0	-9,4	2.308,5	5,6	1,6
6	3.758,5	3,0	-11,0	2.249,1	-2,6	-9,5
7	3.040,2	-19,1	-32,0	2.328,9	3,5	-6,8
8	2.988,3	-1,7	-9,5	1.914,6	-17,8	-7,5
9	3.568,9	19,4	-18,2	2.027,1	5,9	-12,0
10	4.315,4	20,9	0,5	2.238,1	10,4	-11,5
11	3.661,5	-15,2	-6,2	2.126,6	-5,0	-9,2
12	3.728,6	1,8	-7,6	2.231,9	5,0	1,4
Total year	43.603,3		-9,8	25.893,7		-4,5
2016 <sup>(1)</sup> : 1	2.939,0	-21,2	-6,5	1.716,5	-23,1	-8,3
2	3.592,5	22,2	2,9	1.910,4	11,3	-6,7
3	3.682,6	2,5	-15,8	2.097,3	9,8	-11,3
4	4.214,7	14,4	8,5	2.117,9	1,0	-3,1
5	3.554,9	-15,7	-2,6	2.042,2	-3,6	-11,5
6	3.631,4	2,1	-3,4	2.126,0	4,1	-5,5
7	3.614,2	-0,5	18,9	2.256,4	6,1	-3,1
8	3.110,9	-13,9	4,1	1.912,9	-15,2	-0,1

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**Table 11. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2014-2016 excluding oil products**

Year and Month	Imports - Arrivals(2)			Exports - Dispatches(2)		
	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
2014: 1	2.355,4	1,9	-3,1	1.277,3	-4,1	-3,9
2	2.787,9	18,4	17,7	1.280,9	0,3	-3,8
3	3.000,2	7,6	20,2	1.352,1	5,6	-4,9
4	2.557,9	-14,7	-3,0	1.338,9	-1,0	-11,5
5	2.614,2	2,2	9,3	1.428,1	6,7	3,4
6	3.034,2	16,1	15,2	1.389,9	-2,7	0,2
7	2.893,0	-4,7	10,9	1.537,2	10,6	3,6
8	2.057,0	-28,9	-11,8	1.143,3	-25,6	-4,4
9	2.851,0	38,6	14,8	1.436,7	25,7	-0,6
10	2.744,0	-3,8	4,4	1.613,7	12,3	4,3
11	2.762,6	0,7	2,0	1.538,1	-4,7	2,6
12	2.781,6	0,7	20,3	1.568,9	2,0	17,8
Total year	32.439,0		8,0	16.905,0		0,2
2015 <sup>(1)</sup> : 1	2.441,0	-12,2	3,6	1.390,1	-11,4	8,8
2	2.600,0	6,5	-6,7	1.444,7	3,9	12,8
3	3.087,5	18,8	2,9	1.641,5	13,6	21,4
4	2.787,0	-9,7	9,0	1.567,8	-4,5	17,1
5	2.814,0	1,0	7,6	1.524,8	-2,7	6,8
6	2.985,3	6,1	-1,6	1.653,9	8,5	19,0
7	2.262,8	-24,2	-21,8	1.661,7	0,5	8,1
8	1.905,8	-15,8	-7,4	1.231,7	-25,9	7,7
9	2.774,5	45,6	-2,7	1.479,7	20,1	3,0
10	3.577,7	29,0	30,4	1.596,4	7,9	-1,1
11	2.737,2	-23,5	-0,9	1.495,0	-6,4	-2,8
12	2.750,6	0,5	-1,1	1.691,9	13,2	7,8
Total year	32.723,3		0,9	18.379,3		8,7
2016 <sup>(1)</sup> : 1	2.419,2	-12,0	-0,9	1.330,5	-21,4	-4,3
2	2.963,1	22,5	14,0	1.501,4	12,8	3,9
3	3.048,3	2,9	-1,3	1.638,6	9,1	-0,2
4	3.557,3	16,7	27,6	1.613,5	-1,5	2,9
5	2.840,0	-20,2	0,9	1.436,7	-11,0	-5,8
6	2.964,4	4,4	-0,7	1.596,9	11,2	-3,4
7	2.884,1	-2,7	27,5	1.681,7	5,3	1,2
8	2.422,8	-16,0	27,1	1.252,4	-25,5	1,7

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

<b>Commercial Transactions of Greece</b>	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 referring to services are not included, while they are taken into account for the compilation of the National Accounts tables, along with the commercial transactions.
<b>Legal Framework</b>	The survey is conducted in compliance with the requirements laid down in the following E.U. Regulations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Intra - EU TRADE:</b> Regulation 638/2004, as it was amended by Regulations 222/2009, 1093/2013 and 659/2014.</li><li>• <b>Extra - EU TRADE:</b> Regulation 471/2009</li></ul>
<b>Reference Period</b>	August 2016
<b>Availability of Results</b>	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.
<b>Definitions</b>	<b>INTRASTAT</b> is the system for collecting Intra EU statistical data (among the EU countries). It was implemented on January 1st, 1993. <b>Arrival</b> is considered every import of goods from a country of the EU. <b>Dispatch</b> is considered every export of goods to a country of the EU.  <b>EXTRASTAT</b> is the system for collecting external trade data with third countries (countries outside the EU). <b>Import</b> is considered every import of goods from a third country (outside the EU). <b>Export</b> is considered every export of goods to a third country (outside the EU).
<b>Methodology</b>	<b>INTRASTAT:</b> It is an exhaustive 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 2016 are the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Arrivals: € 150,000.00 (95,0% coverage)</li><li>• Dispatches: € 90,000.00 (98,0% coverage)</li></ul> 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.
	<b>ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION:</b> Intrastat declarations are submitted electronically via the following links: <a href="http://eurostat.statistics.gr">http://eurostat.statistics.gr</a> or <a href="http://www.statistics.gr">www.statistics.gr</a> .
	<b>EXTRASTAT:</b> 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.
	<b>Classification of goods:</b> The goods are classified in compliance with the 8-digit Combined Nomenclature Code (CN/8) and the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC).
<b>References</b>	More information concerning the survey on Commercial Transactions is available on the website of the Hellenic Statistical Authority ( <a href="http://www.statistics.gr">www.statistics.gr</a> ) under the link "Statistical Themes / Trade - Services / Imports-Exports / External Trade"