

# GREECE-RUSSIA AND GREECE-UKRAINE BILATERAL TRADE DATA SEPTEMBER 2023

# (Provisional data)

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT), responding to the need for the provision of specialized statistical information due to the ongoing developments linked to the war in Ukraine, announces bilateral trade data between Greece and Russian Federation (henceforth Russia) and between Greece and Ukraine.

The current Announcement is issued on a monthly basis at preannounced dates during the whole period in which the publication of bilateral trade data is warranted and relevant in order to reflect the impact on the external trade transactions of the Greek enterprises with enterprises in Russia and in Ukraine.

#### Graph 1: Imports value (in €) Greece–Russia and Greece–Ukraine







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#### I. BILATERAL TRADE GREECE-RUSSIA

In September 2023 the value of imports of Greece from Russia was 212.4 million euros, recording a decrease of 80.6% in comparison with September 2022 when it was 1,094.6 million euros. The value of exports of Greece to Russia in September 2023 was 6.4 million euros, recording a decrease of 56.9% in comparison with September 2022 when it was 14.9 million euros. The trade balance between Greece-Russia in September 2023 was negative and amounted to 206.0 million euros (deficit) (Table 1).

During the period January-September 2023 the value of imports of Greece from Russia was 2,135.1 million euros, recording a decrease of 68.8% in comparison with the period January-September 2022 when it was 6,832.5 million euros. The value of exports of Greece to Russia during the period January-September 2023 was 73.1 million euros, recording a decrease of 21.3% in comparison with the period January-September 2022 when it was 92.9 million euros. The trade balance between Greece-Russia during the period January-September 2023 was negative and amounted to 2,061.9 million euros (deficit) (Table 2).

| SEPTEMBER | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | EXPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | TRADE<br>BALANCE<br>(in euros) |
|-----------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2019      | 419,682,761                    |                                 | 20,295,504                     |                                 | -399,387,257                   |
| 2020      | 124,894,617                    | -70.2                           | 13,860,014                     | -31.7                           | -111,034,603                   |
| 2021      | 301,880,636                    | 141.7                           | 21,906,516                     | 58.1                            | -279,974,120                   |
| 2022      | 1,094,569,251                  | 262.6                           | 14,916,352                     | -31.9                           | -1,079,652,899                 |
| 2023*     | 212,381,188                    | -80.6                           | 6,426,914                      | -56.9                           | -205,954,274                   |

#### Table 1: Monthly data on bilateral trade between Greece and Russia, September 2023

\* provisional data

#### Table 2: Data on bilateral trade between Greece and Russia, January-September 2023

| JANUARY -<br>SEPTEMBER | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | EXPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | TRADE<br>BALANCE<br>(in euros) |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2019                   | 3,026,693,313                  |                                 | 155,101,419                    |                                 | -2,871,591,894                 |
| 2020                   | 2,141,852,373                  | -29.2                           | 118,800,490                    | -23.4                           | -2,023,051,883                 |
| 2021                   | 2,715,095,572                  | 26.8                            | 139,662,225                    | 17.6                            | -2,575,433,347                 |
| 2022                   | 6,832,507,051                  | 151.6                           | 92,915,361                     | -33.5                           | -6,739,591,690                 |
| 2023*                  | 2,135,055,114                  | -68.8                           | 73,108,852                     | -21.3                           | -2,061,946,262                 |

\* provisional data

In 2022, 397 Greek enterprises had imports from Russia and 404 Greek enterprises had exports to Russia. The total value of imports of Greece from Russia in 2022 was 9,334.1 million euros, recording an increase of 117.0% in comparison with the respective total value of the year 2021 when it was 4,302.4 million euros (Table 3). The total value of exports of Greece to Russia in 2022 was 156.4 million euros recording a decrease of 24.3% in comparison with the corresponding total value of the year 2021 when it was 206.6 million euros (Table 3). The trade balance between Greece and Russia in year 2022 was negative and amounted to 9,177.7 million euros (deficit) (Table 3).

#### Table 3: Annual data on bilateral trade between Greece and Russia, 2019-2022

| YEAR | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | EXPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | TRADE<br>BALANCE<br>(in euros) |
|------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2019 | 3,971,188,565                  |                                 | 208,553,849                    |                                 | -3,762,634,716                 |
| 2020 | 2,933,444,245                  | -26.1                           | 161,393,178                    | -22.6                           | -2,772,051,067                 |
| 2021 | 4,302,408,454                  | 46.7                            | 206,619,268                    | 28.0                            | -4,095,789,186                 |
| 2022 | 9,334,133,646                  | 117.0                           | 156,440,546                    | -24.3                           | -9,177,693,100                 |

The following tables 4 and 5 present the main imported and exported products of the bilateral trade between Greece-Russia for the year 2022 and September 2023.

## Table 4: Main imported products from Russia, according to the Combined Nomenclature classification (level 4)

|   | 2022                           |                      | SEPTEI   | MBER 2023*                     |                      |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| PRODUCT   | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | QUANTITY<br>(in kgr) | PRODUCT  | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | QUANTITY<br>(in kgr) |
| Petroleum oils and oils<br>obtained from<br>bituminous minerals,<br>excl. crude | 4,170,359,861                  | 5,602,393,396        | Petroleum gas and<br>other gaseous<br>hydrocarbons | 177,528,838                    | 413,277,347          |
| Petroleum gas and other gaseous hydrocarbons                                    | 4,111,749,702                  | 2,460,343,136        | Unwrought aluminium                                | 20,656,847                     | 9,150,681            |
| Unwrought aluminium   | 430,209,466                    | 140,617,970          | Wheat and meslin                                   | 5,351,812                      | 18,594,716           |

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#### Table 5: Main exported products to Russia, according to the Combined Nomenclature classification (level 4)

| 2   | 2022                           |                      | SEPTEMB   | ER 2023*                       |                      |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| PRODUCT   | EXPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | QUANTITY<br>(in kgr) | PRODUCT   | EXPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | QUANTITY<br>(in kgr) |
| Wire and cable -incl. co-<br>axial cable- for electrical<br>purposes, insulated,<br>optical fibre cables. | 30,985,278                     | 5,158,513            | Lifting, handling, loading<br>or unloading machinery  | 1,189,003                      | 179,303              |
| Unmanufactured<br>tobacco: tobacco refuse   | 18,485,582                     | 3,554,752            | Medicaments consisting of<br>mixed or unmixed<br>products for therapeutic<br>or prophylactic uses, in<br>measured doses | 544,337                        | 22,286               |
| Lifting, handling, loading<br>or unloading machinery  | 9,378,423                      | 1,490,526            | Olive oil and its fractions,<br>whether or not refined,<br>but not chemically<br>modified                               | 536,992                        | 48,809               |

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## II. BILATERAL TRADE GREECE-UKRAINE

In September 2023 the value of imports of Greece from Ukraine was 30.2 million euros, recording a decrease of 4.5% in comparison with September 2022 when it was 31.6 million euros. The value of exports of Greece to Ukraine in September 2023 was 82.6 million euros, recording an increase of 337.0% in comparison with September 2022 when it was 18.9 million euros. The trade balance between Greece-Ukraine in September 2023 was positive and amounted to 52.4 million euros (surplus) (Table 6).

During the period January-September 2023 the value of imports of Greece from Ukraine was 210.7 million euros, recording an increase of 58.8% in comparison with the period January-September 2022 when it was 132.6 million euros. The value of exports of Greece to Ukraine during the period January-September 2023 was 536.5 million euros, recording an increase of 141.0% in comparison with the period January-September 2022 when it was 222.6 million euros. The trade balance between Greece-Ukraine during the period January-September 2023 was positive and amounted to 325.8 million euros (surplus) (Table 7).

#### Table 6: Monthly data on bilateral trade between Greece and Ukraine, September 2023

| SEPTEMBER | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | EXPORTS<br>VALUES<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | TRADE<br>BALANCE<br>(in euros) |
|-----------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2019      | 13,604,408                     |                                 | 6,298,537                       |                                 | -7,305,871                     |
| 2020      | 23,242,459                     | 70.8                            | 8,299,064                       | 31.8                            | -14,943,395                    |
| 2021      | 9,442,245                      | -59.4                           | 44,698,717                      | 438.6                           | 35,256,472                     |
| 2022      | 31,619,241                     | 234.9                           | 18,910,515                      | -57.7                           | -12,708,726                    |
| 2023*     | 30,201,128                     | -4.5                            | 82,642,981                      | 337.0                           | 52,441,853                     |

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#### Table 7: Data on bilateral trade between Greece and Ukraine, January-September 2023

| JANUARY-<br>SEPTEMBER | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | EXPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | TRADE<br>BALANCE<br>(in euros) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2019                  | 138,010,397                    |                                 | 181,993,994                    |                                 | 43,983,597                     |
| 2020                  | 137,464,180                    | -0.4                            | 154,015,818                    | -15.4                           | 16,551,638                     |
| 2021                  | 129,944,959                    | -5.5                            | 234,007,536                    | 51.9                            | 104,062,577                    |
| 2022                  | 132,638,823                    | 2.1                             | 222,627,538                    | -4.9                            | 89,988,715                     |
| 2023*                 | 210,666,347                    | 58.8                            | 536,481,462                    | 141.0                           | 325,815,115                    |

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In 2022, 387 Greek enterprises had imports from Ukraine and 473 Greek enterprises had exports to Ukraine. The total value of imports of Greece from Ukraine in 2022 was 280.5 million euros, recording an increase of 41.4% in comparison with the corresponding total value in 2021 when it was 198.4 million euros (Table 8). The total value of exports of Greece to Ukraine in 2022 was 342.6 million euros recording an increase of 1.1% in comparison with the respective total value in year 2021 when it was 338.8 million euros (Table 8). The trade balance between Greece and Ukraine in 2022 was positive and amounted to 62.1 million euros (surplus) (Table 8).

#### Table 8: Annual data on bilateral trade between Greece and Ukraine, 2019-2022

| YEAR | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | EXPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | ANNUAL RATE<br>OF CHANGE<br>(%) | TRADE<br>BALANCE<br>(in euros) |
|------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2019 | 186,457,686                    |                                 | 210,833,552                    |                                 | 24,375,866                     |
| 2020 | 178,953,877                    | -4.0                            | 193,663,881                    | -8.1                            | 14,710,004                     |
| 2021 | 198,368,469                    | 10.8                            | 338,759,263                    | 74.9                            | 140,390,794                    |
| 2022 | 280,491,099                    | 41.4                            | 342,588,393                    | 1.1                             | 62,097,294                     |

The following tables 9 and 10 present the main imported and exported products of the bilateral trade between Greece–Ukraine for the year 2022 and for September 2023.

Table 9: Main imported products from Ukraine, according to the Combined Nomenclature classification (level 4)

| 202                                  | 22                             |                      | SEPTEM   | BER 2023*                      |                      |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| PRODUCT                              | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | QUANTITY<br>(in kgr) | PRODUCT  | IMPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | QUANTITY<br>(in kgr) |
| Wheat and meslin                     | 72,068,421                     | 209,273,906          | Wheat and meslin   | 9,153,918                      | 41,893,380           |
| Maize or corn                        | 40,747,673                     | 120,608,883          | Rape or colza seeds,<br>whether or not broken  | 4,242,296                      | 9,706,095            |
| Soya beans, whether or not<br>broken | 23,658,554                     | 36,098,840           | Flat-rolled products of<br>iron or non-alloy steel,<br>hot-rolled, not clad,<br>plated or coated | 4,083,219                      | 6,874,305            |

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# Table 10: Main exported products to Ukraine, according to the Combined Nomenclature classification (level 4)

| 202  | 22  |             | SEPTEM   | BER 2023*                      |                      |
|--|---|-------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| PRODUCT  | PRODUCT EXPORTS QUANTITY PRODUCT (in kgr) |             | PRODUCT  | EXPORTS<br>VALUE<br>(in euros) | QUANTITY<br>(in kgr) |
| Petroleum oils and oils<br>obtained from bituminous<br>minerals, excl. crude | 231,237,525                               | 211,740,416 | Petroleum oils and oils<br>obtained from<br>bituminous minerals,<br>excl. crude    | 73,918,424                     | 79,994,996           |
| Citrus fruit, fresh or dried   | 9,820,378                                 | 15,598,773  | Lasers, other than laser<br>diodes; other optical<br>appliances and<br>instruments | 1,408,608                      | 200                  |
| Apricots, cherries, peaches<br>incl. nectarines, plums and<br>sloes, fresh   | 9,723,082                                 | 12,958,095  | Unmanufactured<br>tobacco: tobacco<br>refuse                                       | 1,056,797                      | 180,955              |

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

- **General** The Commercial Transactions are recorded on a monthly basis aiming at monitoring the total value of imports and exports as well as their changes. This recording does not include the imports and exports of services.
- Legal frameworkThe survey is conducted for trade with third countries (Extrastat) in accordance with Regulation (EU)<br/>2152/2019 and (EU) 1197/2020.

#### Reference period September 2023

Provision of<br/>results38 days after the end of the reference month (provisional data). The provisional data are revised and<br/>disseminated on a monthly basis for all the previous months until the finalization of the yearly data,<br/>which takes place ten months after the end of the reference year.

# **Definitions 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 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 the 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.

Henceforth, the provisional data from the "incomplete customs declarations" - which concern mainly petroleum products - are incorporated 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.

**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).