

GREECE-RUSSIA AND GREECE-UKRAINE BILATERAL TRADE DATA MAY 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 Publication 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 May 2023 the value of imports of Greece from Russia was 136.8 million euros, recording a decrease of 78.8% in comparison with May 2022 when it was 645.9 million euros. The value of exports of Greece to Russia in May 2023 was 7.6 million euros, recording an increase of 38.0% in comparison with May 2022 when it was 5.5 million euros. The trade balance between Greece-Russia in May 2023 was negative and amounted to 129.2 million euros (deficit) (Table 1).

During the period January-May 2023 the value of imports of Greece from Russia was 1,369.5 million euros, recording a decrease of 51.7% in comparison with the period January-May 2022 when it was 2,837.1 million euros. The value of exports of Greece to Russia during the period January-May 2023 was 42,6 million euros, recording a decrease of 10,3% in comparison with the period January-May 2022 when it was 47,5 million euros. The trade balance between Greece-Russia during the period January-May 2023 was negative and amounted to 1,326.9 million euros (deficit) (Table 2).

МАҮ	IMPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	TRADE BALANCE (in euros)
2019	381,874,289		18,162,200		-363,712,089
2020	179,075,883	-53.1	12,979,608	-28.5	-166,096,275
2021	321,212,307	79.4	12,859,428	-0.9	-308,352,879
2022*	645,889,946	101.1	5,536,029	-56.9	-640,353,917
2023*	136,831,107	-78.8	7,642,073	38.0	-129,189,034

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

*provisional data

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

JANUARY - MAY	IMPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	TRADE BALANCE (in euros)
2019	1,667,418,422		71,741,040		-1,595,677,382
2020	1,335,147,645	-19.9	63,035,783	-12.1	-1,272,111,862
2021*	1,294,373,916	-3.1	68,978,028	9.4	-1,225,395,888
2022**	2,837,055,973	119.2	47,514,476	-31.1	-2,789,541,497
2023**	1,369,547,627	-51.7	42,622,468	-10.3	-1,326,925,159

* revised data

** 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 VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	TRADE BALANCE (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*	9,334,133,848	117.0	156,440,552	-24.3	-9,177,693,296

* provisional data

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 May 2023.

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

	2022*		MAY 2023*		
PRODUCT	IMPORTS VALUE (in euros)	QUANTITY (in kgr)	PRODUCT	IMPORTS VALUE (in euros)	QUANTITY (in kgr)
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, excl. crude	4,170,359,861	5,602,393,396	Petroleum gas and other gaseous hydrocarbons	103,996,338	205,699,882
Petroleum gas and other gaseous hydrocarbons	4,111,749,702	2,460,343,136	Unwrought aluminium	20,470,853	8,493,082
Unwrought aluminium	430,209,466	140,617,970	Wheat and meslin	3,986,299	12,388,296

*provisional data

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

2	022*		MAY 2023*		
PRODUCT	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	QUANTITY (in kgr)	PRODUCT	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	QUANTITY (in kgr)
Wire and cable -incl. co- axial cable- for electrical purposes, insulated, optical fibre cables.	30,985,278	5,158,513	Unmanufactured tobacco: tobacco refuse	974,700	173,358
Unmanufactured tobacco: tobacco refuse	18,485,582	3,554,752	Other vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen (excl. preserved by sugar, and tomatoes, mushrooms and truffles)	789,575	196,001
Lifting, handling, loading or unloading machinery, e.g. lifts, escalators, conveyors, teleferics	9,378,423	1,490,526	Olive oil and its fractions obtained from the fruit of the olive tree solely by mechanical or other physical means under conditions that do not lead to deterioration of the oil, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified	521,865	76,438

*provisional data

II. BILATERAL TRADE GREECE-UKRAINE

In May 2023 the value of imports of Greece from Ukraine was 21.4 million euros, recording an increase of 149.5% in comparison with May 2022 when it was 8.6 million euros. The value of exports of Greece to Ukraine in May 2023 was 63.3 million euros, recording an increase of 330.1% in comparison with May 2022 when it was 14.7 million euros. The trade balance between Greece-Ukraine in May 2023 was positive and amounted to 42.0 million euros (surplus) (Table 6).

During the period January-May 2023 the value of imports of Greece from Ukraine was 111.5 million euros, recording an increase of 69.0% in comparison with the period January-May 2022 when it was 66.0 million euros. The value of exports of Greece to Ukraine during the period January-May 2023 was 236.6 million euros, recording an increase of 431.2% in comparison with the period January-May 2022 when it was 44.5 million euros. The trade balance between Greece-Ukraine during the period January-May 2023 was positive and amounted to 125.0 million euros (surplus) (Table 7).

МАҮ	IMPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	EXPORTS VALUES (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	TRADE BALANCE (in euros)
2019	11,191,322		47,493,792		36,302,470
2020	10,666,764	-4.7	9,044,206	-81.0	-1,622,558
2021	11,229,921	5.3	9,966,679	10.2	-1,263,242
2022*	8,563,467	-23.7	14,725,697	47.7	6,162,230
2023*	21,367,063	149.5	63,340,657	330.1	41,973,594

*provisional data

JANUARY-MAY	IMPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	TRADE BALANCE (in euros)
2019	91,557,699		103,600,798		12,043,099
2020	79,035,238	-13.7	78,738,880	-24.0	-296,358
2021	73,139,930	-7.5	66,987,953	-14.9	-6,151,977
2022*	65,977,105	-9.8	44,536,399	-33.5	-21,440,706
2023*	111,520,580	69.0	236,566,462	431.2	125,045,882

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

*provisional data

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 VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE (%)	TRADE BALANCE (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

*provisional data

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 May 2023.

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

202	2*		ΜΑΥ	2023*	
PRODUCT	IMPORTS VALUE (in euros)	QUANTITY (in kgr)	PRODUCT	IMPORTS VALUE (in euros)	QUANTITY (in kgr)
Wheat and meslin	72,068,421	209,273,906	Maize or corn	5,315,027	21,553,958
Maize or corn	40,747,673	120,608,883	Wheat and meslin	4,324,377	16,272,467
Soya beans, whether or not broken	23,658,554	36,098,840	Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width > = 600 mm, hot-rolled, not clad, plated or coated	2,395,305	3,178,025

*provisional data

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

202	22*		MAY	2023*	
PRODUCT	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	QUANTITY (in kgr)	PRODUCT	EXPORTS VALUE (in euros)	QUANTITY (in kgr)
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, excl. crude	231,237,525	211,740,416	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, excl. crude	54,680,157	75,198,741
Citrus fruit, fresh or dried	9,820,378	15,598,773	Mineral or chemical fertilizers containing two or three of the fertilizing elements nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium. Other fertilizers	1,292,768	3,300,000
Apricots, cherries, peaches incl. nectarines, plums and sloes, fresh	9,723,082	12,958,095	Fresh strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, back, white or redcurrants, gooseberries and other edible fruits	854,289	648,016

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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 framework	The survey is conducted for trade with third countries (Extrastat) in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2152/2019 and (EU) 1197/2020.
Reference period	May 2023
Provision 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	 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).