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COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF GREECE : August 2026
(Provisional Data)

The total value of imports, in August 2026, amounted to 6,466.7 million euros in comparison with 5,492.4 million euros in August 2025, recording an increase of 17.7%. The corresponding value excluding oil products, in August 2026, recorded an increase of 161.3 million euros or 3.7% and the corresponding value excluding oil products and ships, in August 2026, recorded an increase of 214.5 million euros or 4.9%, in comparison with August 2025 (Table 1).

The total value of exports, in August 2026, amounted to 4,261.1 million euros in comparison with 3,363.7 million euros in August 2025, recording an increase of 26.7%. The corresponding value excluding oil products, in August 2026, recorded an increase of 296.5 million euros or 12.5% and the corresponding value excluding oil products and ships, in August 2026, recorded an increase of 298.5 million euros or 12.6%, in comparison with August 2025 (Table 1).

The deficit of the trade balance, in August 2026, amounted to 2,205.6 million euros in comparison with 2,128.7 million euros in August 2025, recording an increase of 3.6%. The corresponding value of deficit excluding oil products, in August 2026, recorded a decrease of 135.2 million euros or 6.6% and the corresponding value excluding oil products and ships, in August 2026, recorded a decrease of 84.0 million euros or 4.2%, in comparison with August 2025 (Table 1).

The total value of imports, for the 8-month period from January to August 2026, amounted to 58,292.9 million euros in comparison with 53,878.5 million euros for the corresponding period of the year 2025, recording an increase of 8.2%. The corresponding value excluding oil products recorded an increase of 858.8 million euros or 2.0% and the corresponding value excluding oil products and ships recorded an increase of 971.1 million euros or 2.3%, in comparison with the period from January to August 2025 (Table 2).

The total value of exports, for the 8-month period from January to August 2026, amounted to 37,109.5 million euros in comparison with 31,861.3 million euros for the corresponding period of the year 2025, recording an increase of 16.5%. The corresponding value excluding oil products recorded an increase of 1,862.6 million euros or 7.6% and the corresponding value excluding oil products and ships recorded an increase of 1,827.2 million euros or 7.5%, in comparison with the period from January to August 2025 (Table 2).

The deficit of the trade balance, for the 8-month period from January to August 2026 amounted to 21,183.4 million euros in comparison with 22,017.2 million euros for the corresponding period of the year 2025, recording a decrease of 3.8%. The corresponding deficit excluding oil products recorded a decrease of 1,003.8 million euros or 5.3% and the corresponding deficit excluding oil products and ships recorded a decrease of 856.1 million euros or 4.6% (Table 2).

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 to the Independent Authority of Public Revenue. 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.

⁽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-EU transactions (Intrastat declaration). The aim is to reduce the burden on enterprises. The statistical exemption threshold, is specified and released by the Hellenic Statistical Authority on a yearly basis.

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Table 1. Trade Balance : August 2024 - 2026

Million euros					
	August			Changes %	
	2024	2025 ⁽¹⁾	2026 ⁽¹⁾	2025/2024	2026/2025
A. Imports					
I. Total Imports	6,306.4	5,492.4	6,466.7	-12.9	17.7
II. Excluding the value of ships	6,292.4	5,429.0	6,456.5	-13.7	18.9
III. Excluding the value of oil products and including the value of ships	4,593.4	4,409.8	4,571.1	-4.0	3.7
IV. Excluding the value of oil products and ships	4,579.4	4,346.4	4,560.9	-5.1	4.9
B. Exports					
I. Total Exports	3,683.6	3,363.7	4,261.1	-8.7	26.7
II. Excluding the value of ships	3,674.3	3,352.4	4,251.8	-8.8	26.8
III. Excluding the value of oil products and including the value of ships	2,545.9	2,371.9	2,668.4	-6.8	12.5
IV. Excluding the value of oil products and ships	2,536.6	2,360.6	2,659.1	-6.9	12.6
C. Trade Balance (=B.I-A.I)	-2,622.8	-2,128.7	-2,205.6	-18.8	3.6
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-2,618.1	-2,076.6	-2,204.7	-20.7	6.2
E. Trade Balance excluding the value of oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-2,047.5	-2,037.9	-1,902.7	-0.5	-6.6
F. Trade Balance excluding the value of oil products and ships (=B.IV - A.IV)	-2,042.8	-1,985.8	-1,901.8	-2.8	-4.2

Table 2. Trade Balance : January - August 2024 - 2026

Million euros					
	January - August			Changes %	
	2024	2025 ⁽¹⁾	2026 ⁽¹⁾	2025/2024	2026/2025
A. Imports					
I. Total	56,208.7	53,878.5	58,292.9	-4.1	8.2
II. Excluding the value of ships	55,947.1	53,438.4	57,965.1	-4.5	8.5
III. Excluding the value of oil products and including the value of ships	42,045.6	43,414.6	44,273.4	3.3	2.0
IV. Excluding the value of oil products and ships	41,784.0	42,974.5	43,945.6	2.8	2.3
B. Exports					
I. Total	33,763.2	31,861.3	37,109.5	-5.6	16.5
II. Excluding the value of ships	33,618.4	31,765.0	36,977.8	-5.5	16.4
III. Excluding the value of oil products and including the value of ships	23,652.8	24,520.2	26,382.8	3.7	7.6
IV. Excluding the value of oil products and ships	23,508.0	24,423.9	26,251.1	3.9	7.5
C. Trade Balance (=B.I-A.I)	-22,445.5	-22,017.2	-21,183.4	-1.9	-3.8
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-22,328.7	-21,673.4	-20,987.3	-2.9	-3.2
E. Trade Balance excluding the value of oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-18,392.8	-18,894.4	-17,890.6	2.7	-5.3
F. Trade Balance excluding the value of oil products and ships (=B.IV - A.IV)	-18,276.0	-18,550.6	-17,694.5	1.5	-4.6

⁽¹⁾ Provisional data.

Diagram 1. Imports, Exports, August 2024 - 2026 (values in million €)

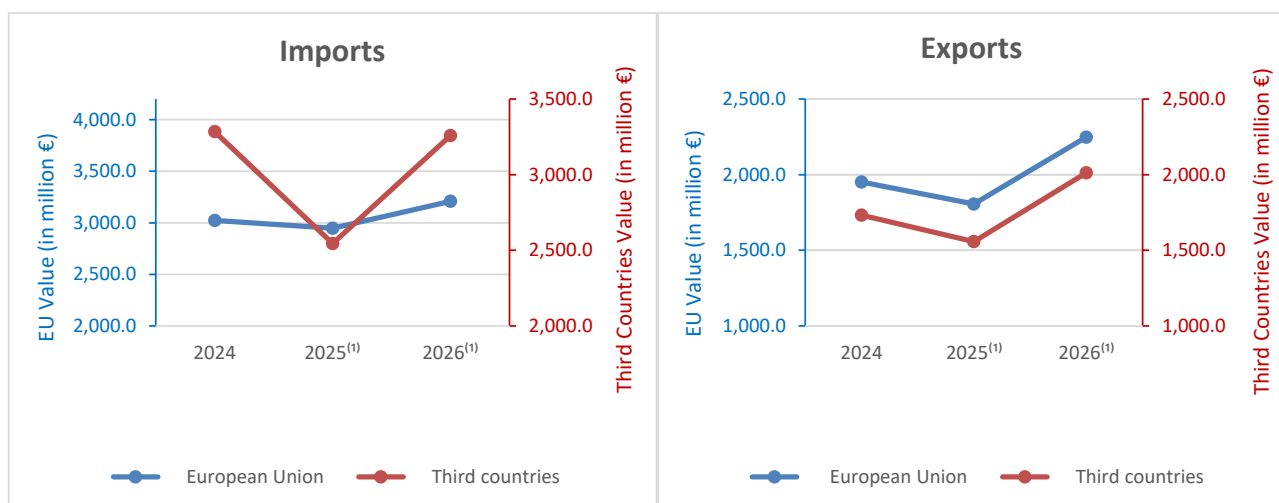


Diagram 2. Imports, Exports excluding oil products, August 2024 - 2026 (values in million €)

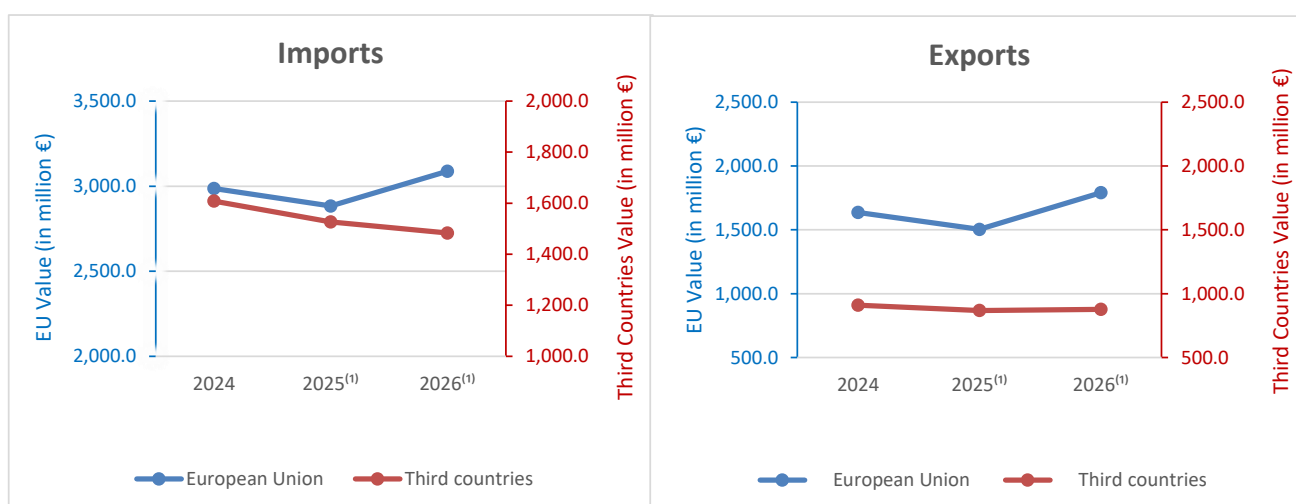
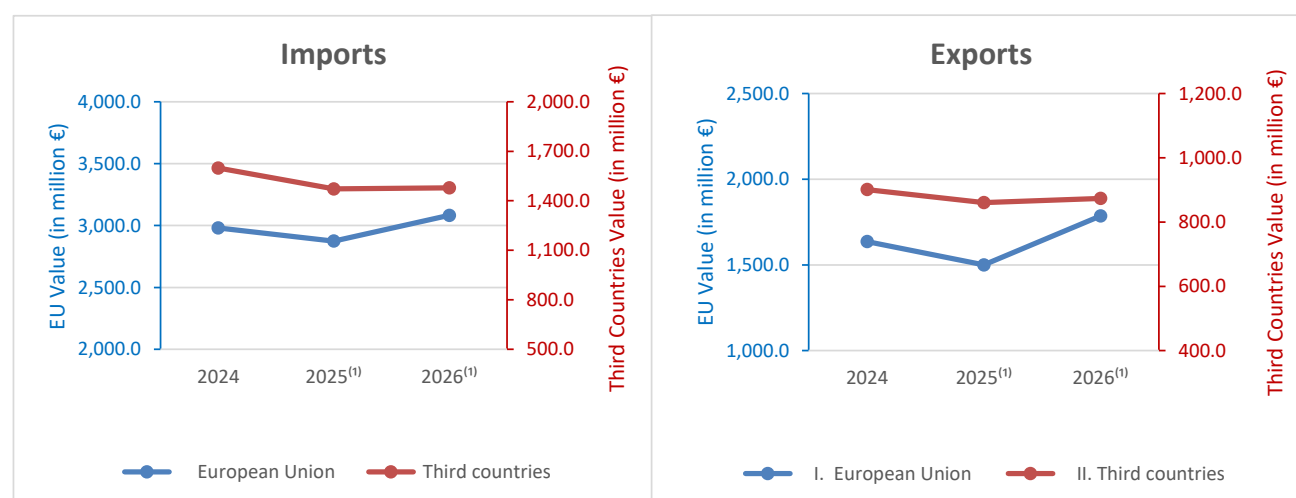


Diagram 3. Imports, Exports excluding oil products and ships, August 2024 - 2026 (values in million €)



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Diagram 4. Imports, Exports, January - August 2024 - 2026 (values in million €)

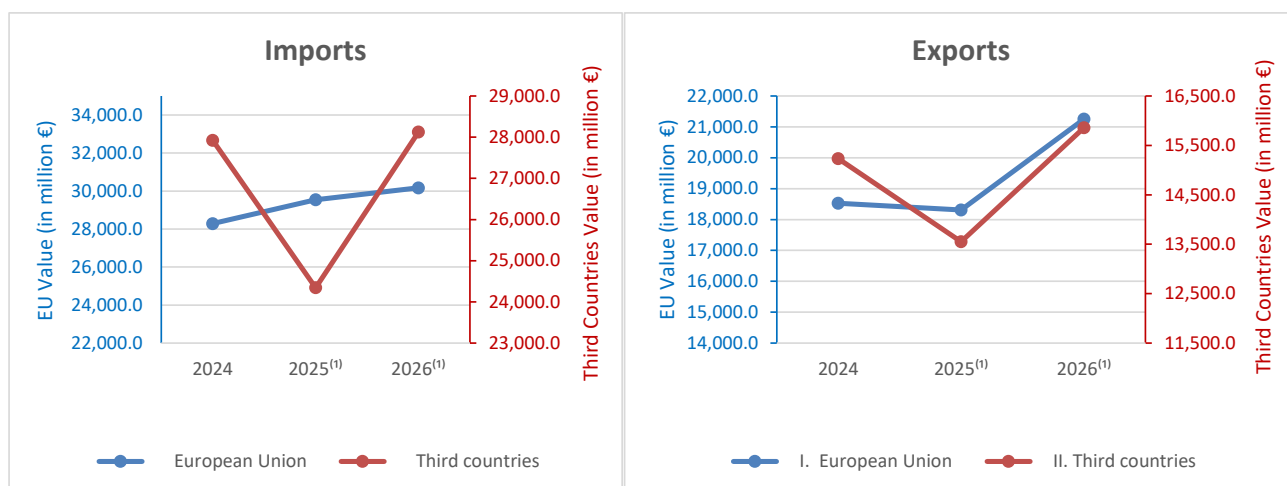


Diagram 5. Imports, Exports excluding oil products, January - August 2024 - 2026 (values in million €)

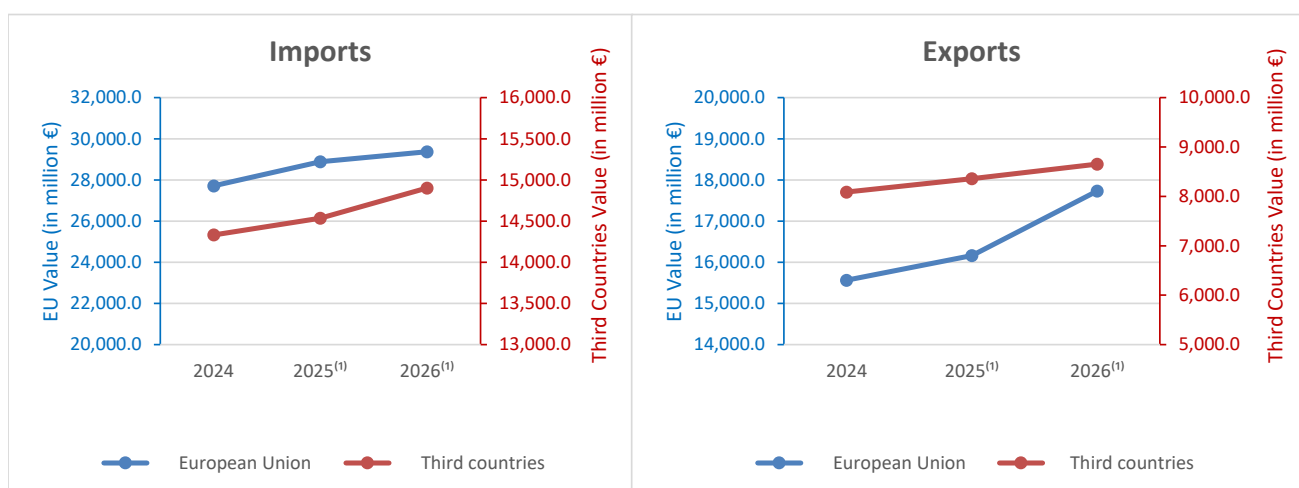
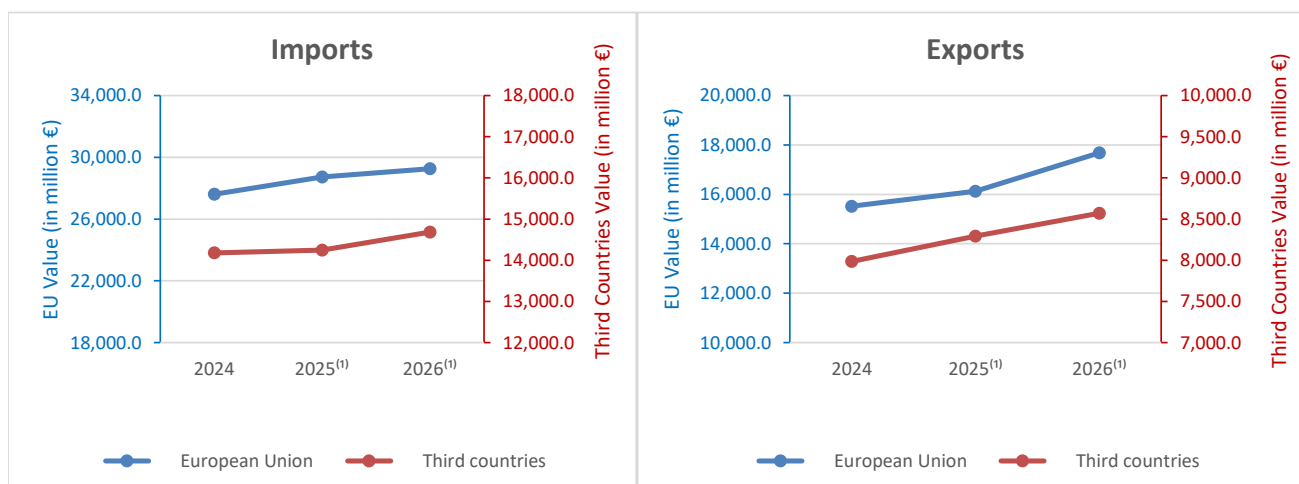


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Table 3. Imports and Exports by SITC sections (Standard International Trade Classification), August 2026⁽¹⁾

Imports (in million €)

	August 2026		January-August 2026	
	E.U.	Third countries	E.U.	Third countries
Total	3,208.6	3,258.1	30,168.8	28,124.1
0. Food and live animals	627.6	174.0	5039.4	1646.8
1. Beverages and tobacco	69.2	24.1	537.6	220.6
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	67.4	81.8	712.3	959.8
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	200.0	1785.2	1099.7	13328.7
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	17.4	20.9	146.2	153.2
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	638.4	177.4	6651.4	1734.3
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	336.9	283.5	3633.2	3299.0
7. Machinery and transport equipment	786.6	482.2	7993.0	4765.0
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	464.8	228.7	4349.4	1991.3
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	0.3	0.1	6.5	25.5

Exports (in million €)

	August 2026		January-August 2026	
	E.U.	Third countries	E.U.	Third countries
Total	2,248.6	2,012.4	21,251.2	15,858.3
0. Food and live animals	500.4	201.7	4,846.3	1,849.8
1. Beverages and tobacco	50.8	49.0	554.1	478.8
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	46.6	68.1	490.8	848.8
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	588.8	1,143.6	4,271.5	7,338.4
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	29.8	10.5	445.7	124.2
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	245.6	114.0	3,138.0	1,249.9
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	326.9	200.0	3,466.8	1,874.1
7. Machinery and transport equipment	300.7	146.6	2,300.9	1,280.7
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	154.2	72.8	1,696.1	757.0
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	4.9	6.2	41.1	56.5

Diagram 7. Imports E.U. & Third countries by SITC sections, Jan. - Aug. 2026, (million €)

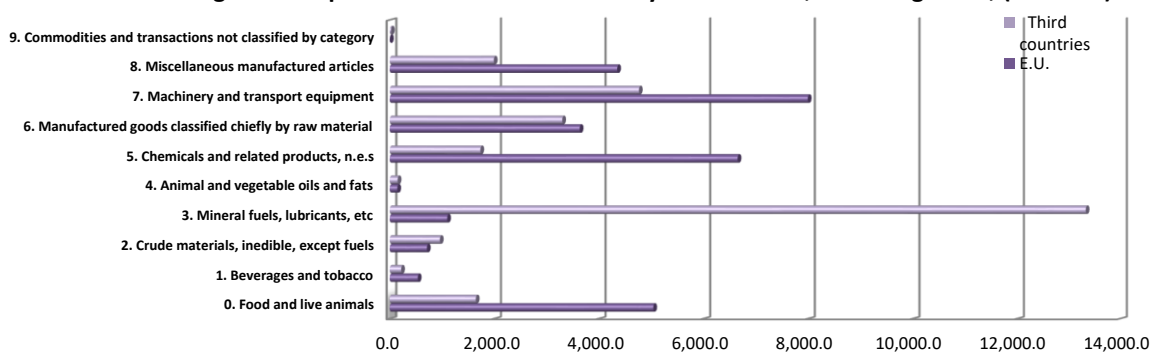
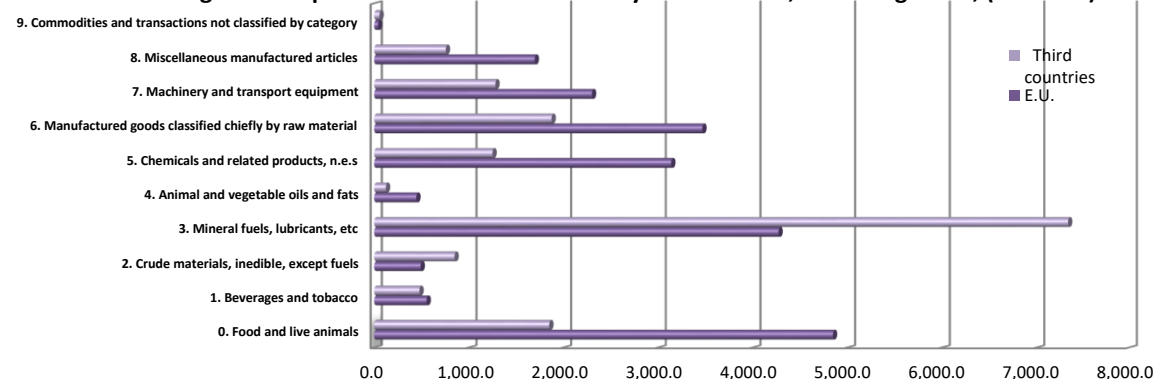


Diagram 8. Exports E.U. & Third countries by SITC sections, Jan. - Aug. 2026, (million €)



(1) Provisional data.

Wherever necessary, the data have been rounded up, thus, a slight difference may occur between the sum of the figures and their total.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Commercial Transactions	The Commercial Transactions are recorded on a monthly basis aiming at monitoring the total value of imports, exports and their changes. This recording does not include the imports and exports of services.
Legal Framework	The survey is conducted for Intra-EU trade and for trade with third countries in accordance with Regulations (EU) 2019/2152 and (EU) 2020/1197.
Reference Period	August 2026
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	INTRASTAT is the system for collecting Intra-EU statistical data (among the EU countries). It was implemented on January 1st, 1993. Import is considered every import of goods from a country of the EU. Export is considered every export of goods to a country of the EU. Extra-EU trade 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 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 2026 are the following: • Intra-EU Imports: € 250,000.00 (95.7% coverage) • Intra-EU Exports: € 90,000.00 (98.7% 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 Independent Authority of Public Revenue. ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION: Intrastat declarations are submitted electronically via the following links: http://eurostat.statistics.gr or www.statistics.gr. Extra-EU trade: 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) and by Automated Export System (AES). All the transactions with third countries are registered. At the end of each month Customs Authorities transmit to the Hellenic Statistical Authority an electronic file with the customs data of statistical relevance of the previous reference 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. IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF SHIPS AND AIRCRAFTS: In accordance with EU Regulations entered into force in 2010 (Regulations (EU) 2010/96, 2010/113) and in accordance with Regulations (EU) 2019/2152 and (EU) 2020/1197 entered into force in 2022, the EU Member States are obliged to record the transactions of special goods and movements and more specifically of vessels and aircrafts in line with the principle of economic ownership. "Economic ownership" means the right of a taxable person to claim the benefits associated with the use of a vessel or aircraft in the course of an economic activity by virtue of accepting the associated risks. For the compilation of statistics on imports and exports of ships are used Intrastat statistical survey data, data from administrative sources (Customs, Ministry of Marine and Island Policy), as well as data from national and international commercial databases based on the estimation model of the Bank of Greece for the Greek shipping (see Press Release on Balance of Payments published by the Bank of Greece on 20.11.2018). The compilation of statistics on imports and exports of aircrafts is based on Intrastat statistical survey data and data from administrative sources (Customs, Hellenic Civil Aviation Authority). Classification of goods: The goods are classified in compliance with the 8-digit Combined Nomenclature Code (CN8) 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 "Statistics / International Trade in Goods". The full set of data that were presented in the previous version of this Announcement are published at the link: