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#### COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF GREECE: June 2011

( Provisional Data )

The total value of imports-arrivals, excluding oil products, in June 2011 amounted to 2978,3 million euros (4272,5 million dollars) in comparison with 3368,6 million euros (4100,2 million dollars) in June 2010, recording a drop, in euros, of **11,6%** (Table 1).

The total value of exports-dispatches, excluding oil products, in June 2011 amounted to 1345,6 million euros (1942,1 million dollars) in comparison with 1286,3 million euros (1575,1 million dollars) in June 2010, recording an increase, in euros, of **4,6%** (Table 1).

The deficit of the trade balance, excluding oil products, in June 2011 amounted to 1632,7 million euros (2330,4 million dollars) in comparison with 2082,3 million euros (2525,1 million dollars) in June 2010, recording a drop, in euros, of **21,6%** (Table 1).

The total value of imports-arrivals, excluding oil products, for the 6-month period from January to June 2011 amounted to 16502,6 million euros (23096,2 million dollars) in comparison with 19407,2 million euros (25707,8 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2010 recording a drop, in euros, of **15,0%** (Table 5).

The total value of exports-dispatches, excluding oil products, for the 6-month period from January to June 2011 amounted to 7671,1 million euros (10812,5 million dollars) in comparison with 6871,8 million euros (9117,2 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2010, recording an increase, in euros, of **11,6%** (Table 5).

The deficit of the Trade Balance, excluding oil products, for the 6-month period from January to June 2011 amounted to 8831,5 million euros (12283,7 million dollars) in comparison with 12535,4 million euros (16590,6 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2010, recording a drop, in euros, of **29,5%** (Table 5).

Since the value of ships has an important effect on the total value of imports, the above data are presented in Table 1 excluding the value of ships.

For comparability of the external trade statistics including oil products, and following the intergration of the audited "incomplete customs declarations" concerning oil products, the cumulative data for the 4-month period from January to April for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011 are provided in Table 9.

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Table 1. Trade Balance: June 2009, 2010 and 2011 (1)

Million euros

		June			ges %
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Including the value of ships	4.690,1	4.405,0	3.322,7	-6,1	
II. Excluding the value of ships	4.042,9	3.911,7	3.097,0	-3,2	
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	4.123,7	3.368,6	2.978,3	-18,3	-11,6
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Including the value of ships	1.382,5	1.426,9	1.956,8	3,2	
II. Excluding the value of ships	1.378,0	1.424,0	1.948,9	3,3	
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1.219,3	1.286,3	1.345,6	5,5	4,6
C. Trade Balance including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	-3.307,6	-2.978,1	-1.365,9	-10,0	
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-2.664,9	-2.487,7	-1.148,1	-6,6	
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-2.904,4	-2.082,3	-1.632,7	-28,3	-21,6

**USD\*\*** million

		June			es %
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Including the value of ships	6.555,0	5.361,4	4.766,5	-18,2	
II. Excluding the value of ships	5.650,4	4.761,0	4.442,7	-15,7	
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	5.763,4	4.100,2	4.272,5	-28,9	4,2
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Including the value of ships	1.943,6	1.747,4	2.824,1	-10,1	
II. Excluding the value of ships	1.937,2	1.743,9	2.812,7	-10,0	
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1.714,2	1.575,1	1.942,1	-8,1	23,3
C. Trade Balance including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	-4.611,4	-3.614,0	-1.942,4	-21,6	
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-3.713,2	-3.017,1	-1.630,0	-18,7	
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-4.049,2	-2.525,1	-2.330,4	-37,6	-7,7

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional data..

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Table 2. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, June 2009 - 2011 (1)

		June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	2.594,1	2.062,3	2.008,0	-20,5	-2,6
II. Third countries	1.529,6	1.306,3	970,3	-14,6	-25,7
Total	4.123,7	3.368,6	2.978,3	-18,3	-11,6

#### Imports-Arrivals (USD\*\* million)

		June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	3.625,6	2.510,2	2.880,6	-30,8	14,8
II. Third countries	2.137,8	1.590,0	1.391,9	-25,6	-12,5
Total	5.763,4	4.100,2	4.272,5	-28,9	4,2

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

		June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	850,6	841,6	886,1	-1,1	5,3
II. Third countries	368,7	444,7	459,5	20,6	3,3
Total	1.219,3	1.286,3	1.345,6	5,5	4,6

#### **Exports-Dispatches (USD\*\*million)**

		June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	1.195,8	1.030,6	1.278,9	-13,8	24,1
II. Third countries	518,4	544,5	663,2	5,0	21,8
Total	1.714,2	1.575,1	1.942,1	-8,1	23,3

Provisional data

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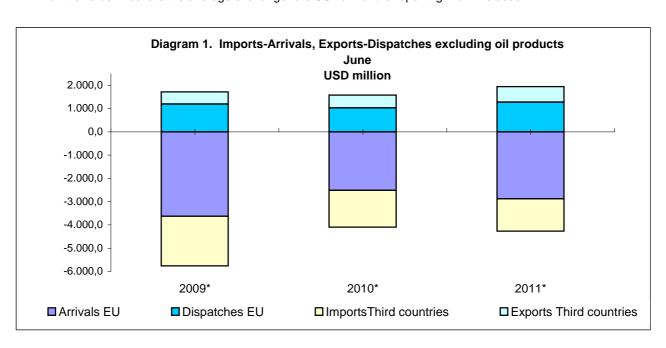


Table 3. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products, June 2009 - 2011 (1)

		June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	
I. European Union	2.603,5	2.074,3	2.059,2	-20,3	
II. Third countries	1.439,3	1.837,4	1.037,8	27,7	
Total	4.042,8	3.911,7	3.097,0	-3,2	

#### Imports-Arrivals \*\* (USD\*\*\* million)

		June		Changes %
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009
I. European Union	3.638,8	2.524,7	2.954,0	-30,6
II. Third countries	2.011,6	2.236,3	1.488,7	11,2
Total	5.650,4	4.761,0	4.442,7	-15,7

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

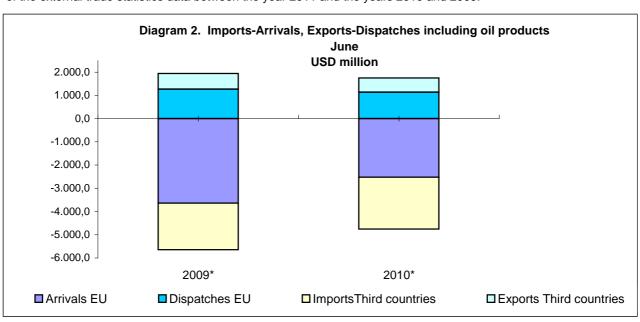
		June		Changes %
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009
I. European Union	901,6	925,9	927,5	2,7
II. Third countries	480,8	501,1	1.029,3	4,2
Total	1.382,4	1.427,0	1.956,8	3,2

#### **Exports-Dispatches (USD\*\*\* million)**

		June		Changes %
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009
I. European Union	1.267,6	1.133,8	1.338,6	-10,6
II. Third countries	676,0	613,6	1.485,5	-9,2
Total	1.943,6	1.747,4	2.824,1	-10,1

Provisional data

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Table 4: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, June 2009 - 2011

		June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	2.590,2	2.061,6	2.006,1	-20,4	-2,7
II. Third countries	886,2	813,8	746,5	-8,2	-8,3
Total	3.476,4	2.875,4	2.752,6	-17,3	-4,3

#### Imports-Arrivals (USD\*\* million)

	June			Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	3.620,2	2.509,2	2.877,8	-30,7	14,7
II. Third countries	1.238,5	990,5	1.070,9	-20,0	8,1
Total	4.858,7	3.499,7	3.948,7	-28,0	12,8

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

		June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	848,2	841,2	885,7	-0,8	5,3
II. Third countries	366,6	442,2	452,2	20,6	2,3
Total	1.214,8	1.283,4	1.337,9	5,6	4,2

#### Exports-Dispatches (USD\*\* million)

		June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	1.192,4	1.030,1	1.278,2	-13,6	24,1
II. Third countries	515,4	541,5	652,6	5,1	20,5
Total	1.707,8	1.571,6	1.930,8	-8,0	22,9

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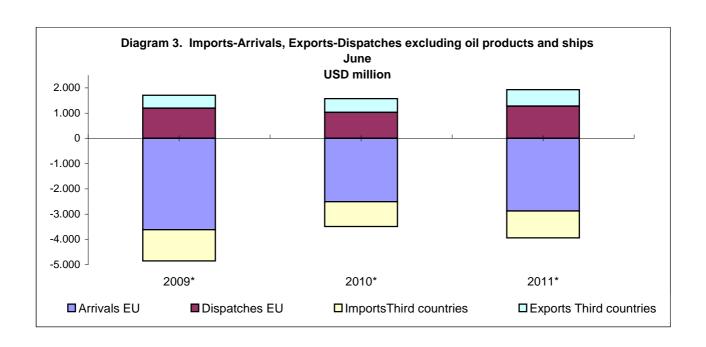


Table 5. Trade Balance : January - June 2009, 2010 και 2011 (1)

Million euros

	J	anuary -June	)	Chang	es %
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Including the value of ships	24.855,1	24.933,2	21.384,2	0,3	
II. Excluding the value of ships	22.418,5	23.126,2	20.617,5	3,2	
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	21.177,3	19.407,2	16.502,6	-8,4	-15,0
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Including the value of ships	7.354,1	7.500,0	10.530,7	2,0	
II. Excluding the value of ships	7.317,0	7.438,3	10.493,5	1,7	
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	6.738,1	6.871,8	7.671,1	2,0	11,6
C. Trade Balance including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	-17.501,0	-17.433,2	-10.853,5	-0,4	
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-15.101,5	-15.687,9	-10.124,0	3,9	
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-14.439,2	-12.535,4	-8.831,5	-13,2	-29,5

USD\*\* million

	J	anuary -June	<b>)</b>	Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Including the value of ships	33.016,9	32.999,2	29.870,1	-0,1	
II. Excluding the value of ships	29.762,4	30.622,9	28.804,3	2,9	
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	28.143,2	25.707,8	23.096,2	-8,7	-10,2
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Including the value of ships	9.835,1	9.942,7	14.877,7	1,1	
II. Excluding the value of ships	9.785,7	9.859,7	14.824,8	0,8	
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	9.009,9	9.117,2	10.812,5	1,2	18,6
C. Trade Balance including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	-23.181,8	-23.056,5	-14.992,4	-0,5	
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-19.976,7	-20.763,2	-13.979,5	3,9	
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-19.133,3	-16.590,6	-12.283,7	-13,3	-26,0

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Table 6. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, January-June 2009-2011

	January -June			Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	13.490,5	12.382,0	11.187,2	-8,2	-9,6
II. Third countries	7.686,7	7.025,2	5.315,4	-8,6	-24,3
Total	21.177,2	19.407,2	16.502,6	-8,4	-15,0

#### Imports-Arrivals (USD\*\* million)

	January -June		Changes %		
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	17.922,9	16.401,7	15.667,4	-8,5	-4,5
II. Third countries	10.220,3	9.306,1	7.428,7	-8,9	-20,2
Total	28.143,2	25.707,8	23.096,1	-8,7	-10,2

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

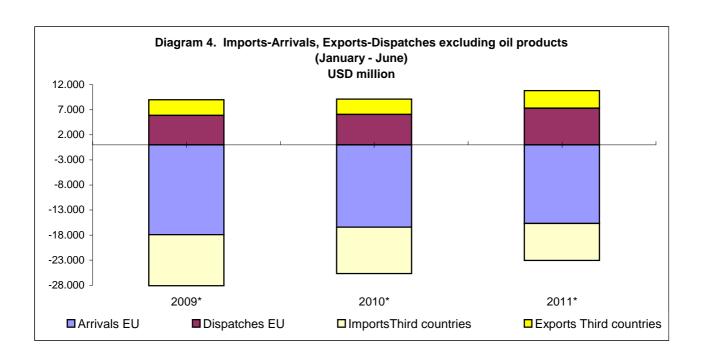
	January -June		Changes %			
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010	
I. European Union	4.391,1	4.576,6	5.184,7	4,2	13,3	
II. Third countries	2.347,0	2.295,2	2.486,4	-2,2	8,3	
Total	6.738,1	6.871,8	7.671,1	2,0	11,6	

#### **Exports-Dispatches (USD\*\* million)**

	January -June		Changes %		
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
I. European Union	5.871,9	6.076,1	7.302,9	3,5	20,2
II. Third countries	3.138,0	3.041,1	3.509,6	-3,1	15,4
Total	9.009,9	9.117,2	10.812,5	1,2	18,6

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	Ja	nuary - June		Changes %
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009
I. European Union	13.586,1	12.541,8	11.432,9	-7,7
II. Third countries	8.832,4	10.584,4	9.184,5	19,8
Total	22.418,5	23.126,2	20.617,4	3,2

#### Imports-Arrivals \*\* (USD\*\*\* million)

	January - June			Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	
I. European Union	18.049,7	16.613,2	16.013,3	-8,0	
II. Third countries	11.712,7	14.009,7	12.791,0	19,6	
Total	29.762,4	30.622,9	28.804,3	2,9	

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

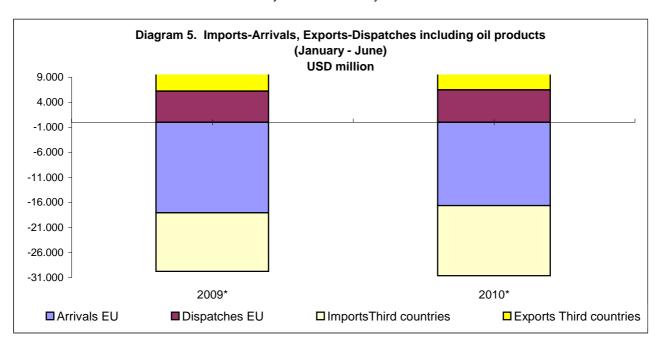
	January - June			Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	
I. European Union	4.652,8	4.883,6	5.477,6	5,0	
II. Third countries	2.701,3	2.616,4	5.053,1	-3,1	
Total	7.354,1	7.500,0	10.530,7	2,0	

#### **Exports-Dispatches (USD\*\*\* million)**

	Jar	nuary - June		Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	
I. European Union	6.221,1	6.474,9	7.717,3	4,1	
II. Third countries	3.614,1	3.467,8	7.160,4	-4,0	
Total	9.835,2	9.942,7	14.877,7	1,1	

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Table 8: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, January- June 2009 - 2011

	January -June			Changes %		
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010	
I. European Union	13.470,2	12.369,5	11.172,6	-8,2	-9,7	
II. Third countries	5.270,5	5.230,7	4.563,2	-0,8	-12,8	
Total	18.740,7	17.600,2	15.735,8	-6,1	-10,6	

#### Imports-Arrivals (USD\*\* million)

	January -June			Changes %		
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010	
I. European Union	17.895,9	16.385,0	15.647,0	-8,4	-4,5	
II. Third countries	6.992,8	6.946,5	6.383,4	-0,7	-8,1	
Total	24.888,7	23.331,5	22.030,4	-6,3	-5,6	

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

	January -June			Changes %		
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010	
I. European Union	4.382,5	4.574,9	5.181,2	4,4	13,3	
II. Third countries	2.318,6	2.235,2	2.452,7	-3,6	9,7	
Total	6.701,1	6.810,1	7.633,9	1,6	12,1	

#### **Exports-Dispatches (USD\*\*million)**

	January -June			Changes %		
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010	
I. European Union	5.860,4	6.073,9	7.298,0	3,6	20,2	
II. Third countries	3.100,2	2.960,3	3.461,6	-4,5	16,9	
Total	8.960,6	9.034,2	10.759,6	0,8	19,1	

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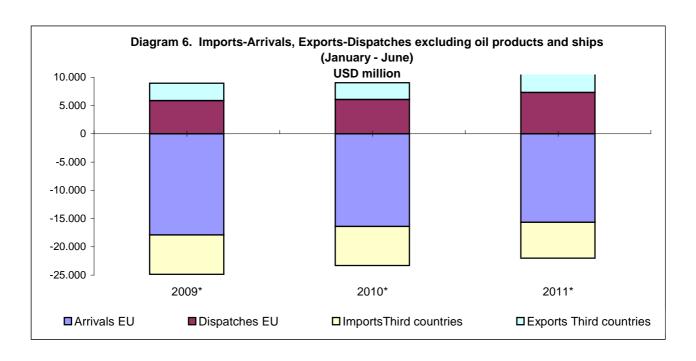


Table 9. Trade Balance : January - April 2009, 2010 και 2011 <sup>(1)</sup>

Million euros

	January - April			Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Including the value of ships	16.231,5	16.647,1	14.771,4	2,6	-11,3
II. Excluding the value of ships	14.818,1	15.549,7	14.276,0	4,9	-8,2
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	13.677,9	13.112,9	10.792,0	-4,1	-17,7
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Including the value of ships	4.631,4	4.769,5	6.502,7	3,0	36,3
II. Excluding the value of ships	4.600,9	4.717,5	6.483,4	2,5	37,4
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	4.259,1	4.424,5	4.960,7	3,9	12,1
C. Trade Balance including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	-11.600,1	-11.877,6	-8.268,7	2,4	-30,4
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-10.217,2	-10.832,2	-7.792,6	6,0	-28,1
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-9.418,8	-8.688,4	-5.831,3	-7,8	-32,9

**USD\*\*** million

	January - April			Changes %	
	2009*	2010*	2011*	2010/2009	2011/2010
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Including the value of ships	21.108,7	22.775,3	20.396,8	7,9	-10,4
II. Excluding the value of ships	19.270,5	21.270,5	19.720,2	10,4	-7,3
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	17.785,8	17.942,2	14.914,9	0,9	-16,9
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Including the value of ships	6.056,7	6.552,2	9.072,8	8,2	38,5
II. Excluding the value of ships	6.016,5	6.481,2	9.045,7	7,7	39,6
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	5.571,2	6.078,6	6.906,4	9,1	13,6
C. Trade Balance including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	-15.052,0	-16.223,1	-11.324,0	7,8	-30,2
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-13.254,0	-14.789,3	-10.674,5	11,6	-27,8
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-12.214,6	-11.863,6	-8.008,5	-2,9	-32,5

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

# of Greece

Commercial The Commercial Transactions of Greece are recorded on a monthly basis aiming at Transactions monitoring the total value of Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches as well as the changes on a percentage basis of the above-mentioned categories. Concequently, there are not included in them, the transactions of services and the non-registered transactions, which these two latter categories of transactions, along with the commercial transactions are taken into account in the compilation of the tables of the National Accounts.

#### Legal Framework

The survey is conducted in compliance with the following Regulations of the European Union:

- Regulation 638/2004, as it was amended by the Regulation 222/2009, as far as the intra EU trade (INTRASTAT) is concerned.
- Regulation 471/2009, as far as the trade with Third Countries (Extrastat) is concerned.

#### Reference Period Month

## Results

Availability of 40 days after the end of the reference month (estimations) and 56 days after the end of the reference month (provisional).

**Definitions INTRASTAT** is the system for collecting Intra EU statistical data (among the countries of the EU). 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 statistical data (with 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 inventory statistical survey. The parties responsible for providing information through the Intrastat System are the enterprises which have intra EU transactions and they have exceeded the statistical thresholds, which are in effect for each year. The statistical thresholds are readjusted by the Hellenic Statistical Authority, every year. The percentage of coverage ranges between 97 and 99%.

The thresholds of adjustment for 2011 are the following:

€ 130,000.00 (98% coverage) Arrivals:

Dispatches: € 90,000.00 (98% coverage)

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION: From 2003 onwards, the Intrastat form can be submitted electronically at the following links: http://eurostat.statistics.gr or www.statistics.gr. Nowadays, 80-85% of the forms is submitted electronically.

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

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).

The statistics of imports and exports for oil products are calculated according to the data derived from the customs declarations. The status of the audited incomplete customs declarations, for the years 2009 and 2010, has been integrated in the compilation of the external trade statistics. The corresponding declarations for the year 2011 have not been integrated yet, since they have not been finalized entirely, having as a result the lack of comparability of the external trade statistics data between the year 2011 and the years 2010 and 2009. However, the data for the period January-April for the years 2011, 2010, 2009 are comparable.

#### 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" click on (INTRASTAT) or trade with non EU Member countries.