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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF GREECE : March 2015**

( Provisional Data )

The total value of imports-arrivals, in March 2015 amounted to 4366,8 million euros (4718,3 million dollars) in comparison with 4052,1 million euros (5584,4 million dollars) in March 2014, recording an increase, in euros, of **7,8%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 77,3 million euros or 2,6% (Table 1).

The total value of exports-dispatches, in March 2015 amounted to 2355,6 million euros (2560,8 million dollars) in comparison with 2170,5 million euros (3009,2 million dollars) in March 2014, recording an increase, in euros, of **8,5%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 280,4 million euros or 20,7% (Table 1).

The deficit of the trade balance, in March 2015 amounted to 2011,2 million euros (2157,5 million dollars) in comparison with 1881,6 million euros (2575,2 million dollars) in March 2014, recording an increase, in euros, of **6,9%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded a drop of 203,1 million euros or 12,4% (Table 1).

The total value of imports-arrivals, for the 3-month period from January to March 2015 amounted to 10999,2 million euros (12308,6 million dollars) in comparison with 11830,5 million euros (16159,4 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2014 recording a drop, in euros, of **7,0%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 5,5 million euros or 0,1% (Table 5).

The total value of exports-dispatches, for the 3-month period from January to March 2015 amounted to 6274,1 million euros (7072,6 million dollars) in comparison with 6387,3 million euros (8776,1 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2014, recording a drop, in euros, of **1,8%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded an increase of 549,1 million euros or 14,0% (Table 5).

The deficit of the Trade Balance, for the 3-month period from January to March 2015 amounted to 4725,1 million euros (5236,0 million dollars) in comparison with 5443,2 million euros (7383,3 million dollars) for the corresponding period of the year 2014, recording a drop, in euros, of **13,2%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded a drop of 543,6 million euros or 12,9% (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 : March 2013<sup>(1)</sup>- 2015<sup>(1)</sup>**  
*Million euros*

	March		Changes %		
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
<b>A. Imports-Arrivals<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	3.711,5	4.052,1	4.366,8	9,2	7,8
II. Excluding the value of ships	3.629,8	3.557,8	4.220,6	-2,0	18,6
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	2.489,7	2.991,8	3.069,1	20,2	2,6
<b>B. Exports-Dispatches<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	2.122,9	2.170,5	2.355,6	2,2	8,5
II. Excluding the value of ships	2.118,1	2.168,9	2.347,5	2,4	8,2
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1.422,8	1.352,6	1.633,0	-4,9	20,7
<b>C. Trade Balance</b> including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	<b>-1.588,6</b>	<b>-1.881,6</b>	<b>-2.011,2</b>	<b>18,4</b>	<b>6,9</b>
<b>D. Trade Balance</b> excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	<b>-1.511,7</b>	<b>-1.388,9</b>	<b>-1.873,1</b>	<b>-8,1</b>	<b>34,9</b>
<b>E. Trade Balance</b> excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	<b>-1.066,9</b>	<b>-1.639,2</b>	<b>-1.436,1</b>	<b>53,6</b>	<b>-12,4</b>

	USD <sup>(2)</sup> million		Changes %		
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
<b>A. Imports-Arrivals<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	4.797,2	5.584,4	4.718,3	16,4	-15,5
II. Excluding the value of ships	4.691,4	4.903,3	4.560,4	4,5	-7,0
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	3.217,9	4.123,2	3.316,2	28,1	-19,6
<b>B. Exports-Dispatches<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	2.760,2	3.009,2	2.560,8	9,0	-14,9
II. Excluding the value of ships	2.754,0	3.007,0	2.552,0	9,2	-15,1
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1.850,0	1.875,2	1.775,2	1,4	-5,3
<b>C. Trade Balance</b> including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	<b>-2.037,0</b>	<b>-2.575,2</b>	<b>-2.157,5</b>	<b>26,4</b>	<b>-16,2</b>
<b>D. Trade Balance</b> excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	<b>-1.937,4</b>	<b>-1.896,3</b>	<b>-2.008,4</b>	<b>-2,1</b>	<b>5,9</b>
<b>E. Trade Balance</b> excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	<b>-1.367,9</b>	<b>-2.248,0</b>	<b>-1.541,0</b>	<b>64,3</b>	<b>-31,5</b>

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

<sup>(2)</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.

<sup>(3)</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, March 2013<sup>(1)</sup>- 2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

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

	<b>March</b>			<b>Changes %</b>	
	<b>2013<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2014<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2015<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2014/2013</b>	<b>2015/2014</b>
I. European Union	1.850,6	1.925,3	2.158,0	4,0	12,1
II. Third countries	1.860,9	2.126,8	2.208,8	14,3	3,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.711,5</b>	<b>4.052,1</b>	<b>4.366,8</b>	<b>9,2</b>	<b>7,8</b>

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

	<b>March</b>			<b>Changes %</b>	
	<b>2013<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2014<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2015<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2014/2013</b>	<b>2015/2014</b>
I. European Union	2.392,0	2.653,3	2.331,7	10,9	-12,1
II. Third countries	2.405,2	2.931,1	2.386,6	21,9	-18,6
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.797,2</b>	<b>5.584,4</b>	<b>4.718,3</b>	<b>16,4</b>	<b>-15,5</b>

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

	<b>March</b>			<b>Changes %</b>	
	<b>2013<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2014<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2015<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2014/2013</b>	<b>2015/2014</b>
I. European Union	1.030,2	1.013,6	1.219,6	-1,6	20,3
II. Third countries	1.092,7	1.156,9	1.136,0	5,9	-1,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.122,9</b>	<b>2.170,5</b>	<b>2.355,6</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>8,5</b>

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

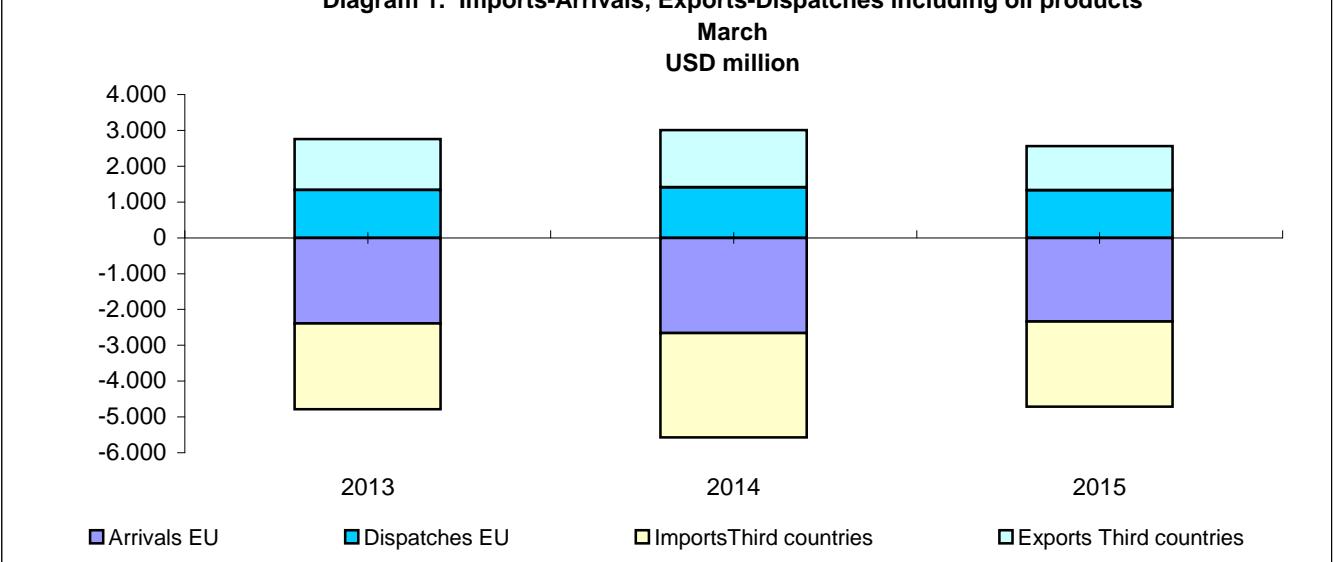
	<b>March</b>			<b>Changes %</b>	
	<b>2013<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2014<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2015<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2014/2013</b>	<b>2015/2014</b>
I. European Union	1.339,4	1.405,3	1.325,8	4,9	-5,7
II. Third countries	1.420,8	1.603,9	1.235,0	12,9	-23,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.760,2</b>	<b>3.009,2</b>	<b>2.560,8</b>	<b>9,0</b>	<b>-14,9</b>

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



**Table 3. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, March 2013<sup>(1)</sup>- 2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

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

	March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	1.760,9	1.832,2	2.080,2	4,0	13,5
II. Third countries	728,8	1.159,6	988,9	59,1	-14,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.489,7</b>	<b>2.991,8</b>	<b>3.069,1</b>	<b>20,2</b>	<b>2,6</b>

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

	March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	2.276,0	2.525,1	2.247,7	10,9	-11,0
II. Third countries	941,9	1.598,1	1.068,5	69,7	-33,1
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.217,9</b>	<b>4.123,2</b>	<b>3.316,2</b>	<b>28,1</b>	<b>-19,6</b>

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

	March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	924,4	894,0	1.077,0	-3,3	20,5
II. Third countries	498,4	458,6	556,0	-8,0	21,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.422,8</b>	<b>1.352,6</b>	<b>1.633,0</b>	<b>-4,9</b>	<b>20,7</b>

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

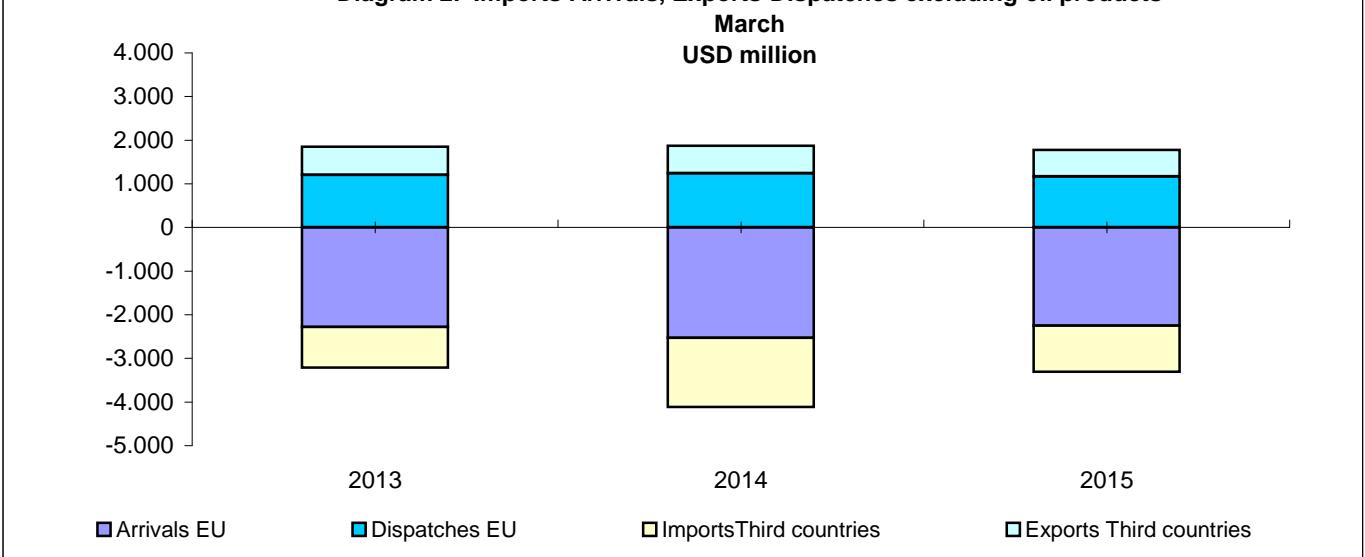
	March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	1.201,9	1.239,4	1.170,8	3,1	-5,5
II. Third countries	648,1	635,8	604,4	-1,9	-4,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.850,0</b>	<b>1.875,2</b>	<b>1.775,2</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>-5,3</b>

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



**Table 4: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, March 2013<sup>(1)</sup>- 2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

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

	March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	1.757,5	1.828,5	2.073,8	4,0	13,4
II. Third countries	650,5	669,1	849,2	2,9	26,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.408,0</b>	<b>2.497,6</b>	<b>2.923,0</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>17,0</b>

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

	March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	2.271,5	2.520,0	2.240,7	10,9	-11,1
II. Third countries	840,8	922,1	917,5	9,7	-0,5
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.112,3</b>	<b>3.442,1</b>	<b>3.158,2</b>	<b>10,6</b>	<b>-8,2</b>

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

	March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	923,3	893,5	1.076,1	-3,2	20,4
II. Third countries	494,7	457,5	548,8	-7,5	20,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.418,0</b>	<b>1.351,0</b>	<b>1.624,9</b>	<b>-4,7</b>	<b>20,3</b>

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

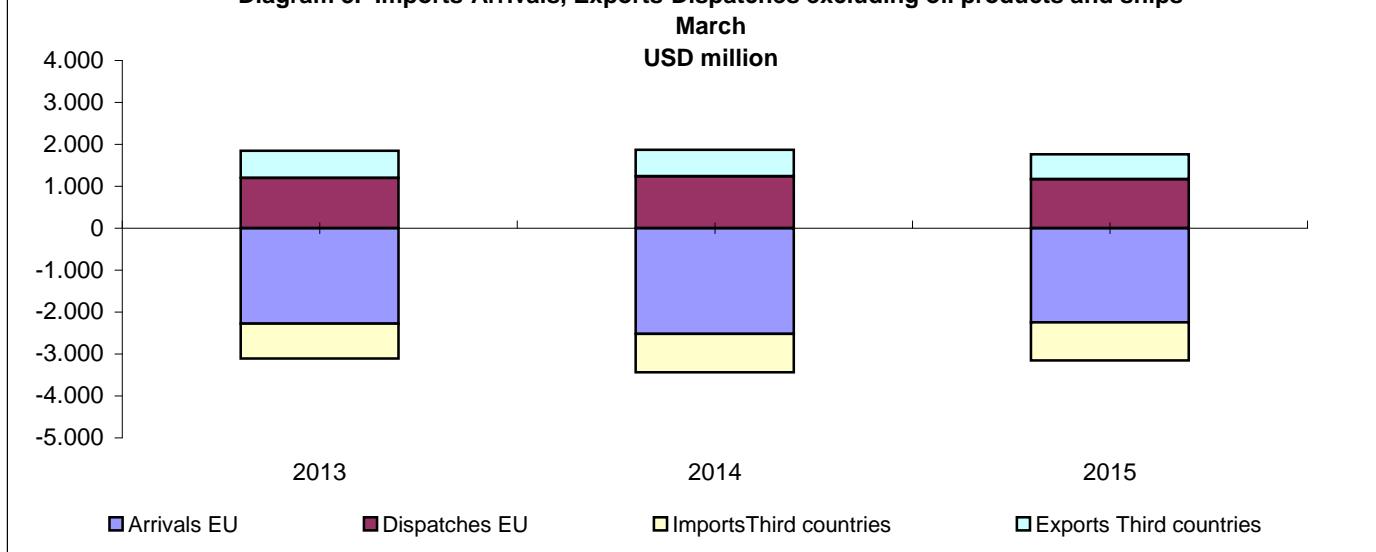
	March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	1.200,5	1.238,7	1.169,8	3,2	-5,6
II. Third countries	643,2	634,3	596,6	-1,4	-5,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.843,7</b>	<b>1.873,0</b>	<b>1.766,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>-5,7</b>

(1) Provisional data..

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

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**Diagram 3. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships**



**Table 5. Trade Balance : January - March 2013<sup>(1)</sup>- 2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

<i>Million euros</i>	<i>January -March</i>			<i>Changes %</i>	
	<i>2013<sup>(1)</sup></i>	<i>2014<sup>(1)</sup></i>	<i>2015<sup>(1)</sup></i>	<i>2014/2013</i>	<i>2015/2014</i>
<b>A. Imports-Arrivals<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	11.817,7	11.830,5	10.999,2	0,1	-7,0
II. Excluding the value of ships	11.648,2	10.806,6	10.830,5	-7,2	0,2
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	7.269,4	8.111,3	8.116,8	11,6	0,1
<b>B. Exports-Dispatches<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	6.555,7	6.387,3	6.274,1	-2,6	-1,8
II. Excluding the value of ships	6.539,6	6.370,9	6.247,2	-2,6	-1,9
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	4.086,3	3.912,5	4.461,6	-4,3	14,0
<b>C. Trade Balance</b> including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	<b>-5.262,0</b>	<b>-5.443,2</b>	<b>-4.725,1</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>-13,2</b>
<b>D. Trade Balance</b> excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	<b>-5.108,6</b>	<b>-4.435,7</b>	<b>-4.583,3</b>	<b>-13,2</b>	<b>3,3</b>
<b>E. Trade Balance</b> excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	<b>-3.183,1</b>	<b>-4.198,8</b>	<b>-3.655,2</b>	<b>31,9</b>	<b>-12,9</b>
 <i>USD<sup>(2)</sup> million</i>					
	<i>January -March</i>			<i>Changes %</i>	
	<i>2012<sup>(1)</sup></i>	<i>2013<sup>(1)</sup></i>	<i>2014<sup>(1)</sup></i>	<i>2014/2013</i>	<i>2015/2014</i>
<b>A. Imports-Arrivals<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	15.564,6	16.159,4	12.308,6	3,8	-23,8
II. Excluding the value of ships	15.342,3	14.757,5	12.125,1	-3,8	-17,8
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	9.567,0	11.083,9	9.094,0	15,9	-18,0
<b>B. Exports-Dispatches<sup>(3)</sup></b>					
I. Including the value of ships	8.684,1	8.776,1	7.072,6	1,1	-19,4
II. Excluding the value of ships	8.662,7	8.753,6	7.042,3	1,0	-19,5
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	5.409,4	5.376,2	5.033,1	-0,6	-6,4
<b>C. Trade Balance</b> including the value of ships (=B.I-A.I)	<b>-6.880,5</b>	<b>-7.383,3</b>	<b>-5.236,0</b>	<b>7,3</b>	<b>-29,1</b>
<b>D. Trade Balance</b> excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	<b>-6.679,6</b>	<b>-6.003,9</b>	<b>-5.082,8</b>	<b>-10,1</b>	<b>-15,3</b>
<b>E. Trade Balance</b> excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	<b>-4.157,6</b>	<b>-5.707,7</b>	<b>-4.060,9</b>	<b>37,3</b>	<b>-28,9</b>

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**Table 6. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products, January-March 2013<sup>(1)</sup>- 2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

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

	January - March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	5.294,0	5.397,8	5.782,6	2,0	7,1
II. Third countries	6.523,7	6.432,7	5.216,6	-1,4	-18,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.817,7</b>	<b>11.830,5</b>	<b>10.999,2</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>-7,0</b>

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

	January - March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	6.965,9	7.374,2	6.479,7	5,9	-12,1
II. Third countries	8.598,7	8.785,2	5.828,9	2,2	-33,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>15.564,6</b>	<b>16.159,4</b>	<b>12.308,6</b>	<b>3,8</b>	<b>-23,8</b>

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

	January - March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	2.942,5	2.967,2	3.398,9	0,8	14,5
II. Third countries	3.613,2	3.420,1	2.875,2	-5,3	-15,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.555,7</b>	<b>6.387,3</b>	<b>6.274,1</b>	<b>-2,6</b>	<b>-1,8</b>

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

	January - March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	3.894,9	4.077,0	3.836,1	4,7	-5,9
II. Third countries	4.789,2	4.699,1	3.236,5	-1,9	-31,1
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.684,1</b>	<b>8.776,1</b>	<b>7.072,6</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>-19,4</b>

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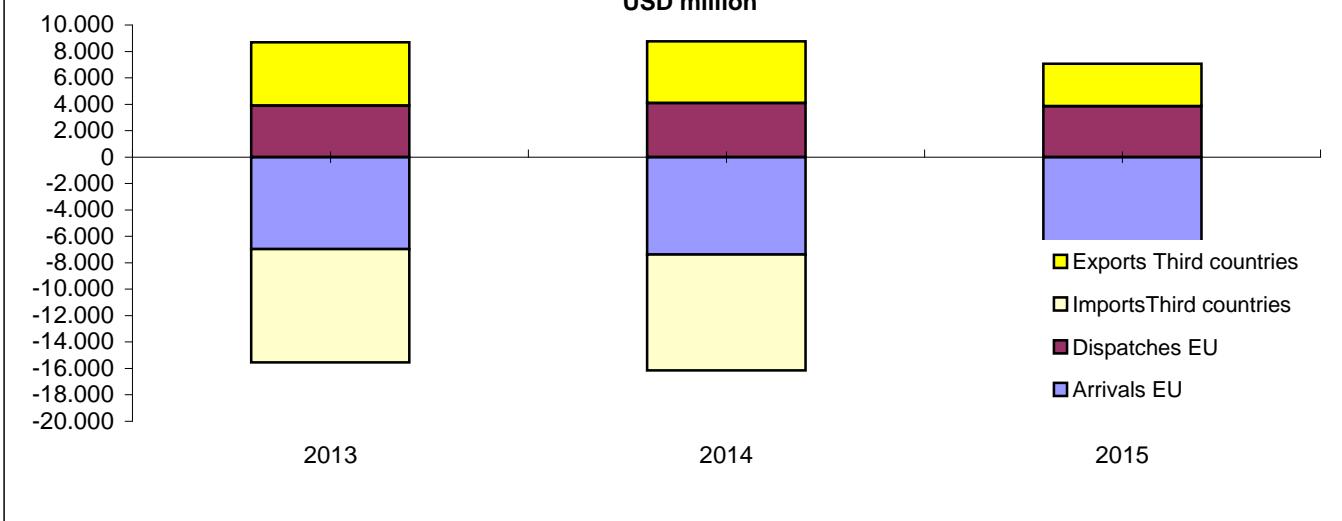
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**Diagram 4. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products**

**(January - March)**

**USD million**



**Table 7. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, January-March 2013<sup>(1)</sup>-2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

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

	January -March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	5.087,2	5.166,1	5.625,4	1,6	8,9
II. Third countries	2.182,2	2.945,2	2.491,4	35,0	-15,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>7.269,4</b>	<b>8.111,3</b>	<b>8.116,8</b>	<b>11,6</b>	<b>0,1</b>

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

	January -March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	6.694,6	7.057,5	6.305,2	5,4	-10,7
II. Third countries	2.872,4	4.026,4	2.788,8	40,2	-30,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.567,0</b>	<b>11.083,9</b>	<b>9.094,0</b>	<b>15,9</b>	<b>-18,0</b>

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

	January -March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	2.658,8	2.567,4	2.981,4	-3,4	16,1
II. Third countries	1.427,5	1.345,1	1.480,2	-5,8	10,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.086,3</b>	<b>3.912,5</b>	<b>4.461,6</b>	<b>-4,3</b>	<b>14,0</b>

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

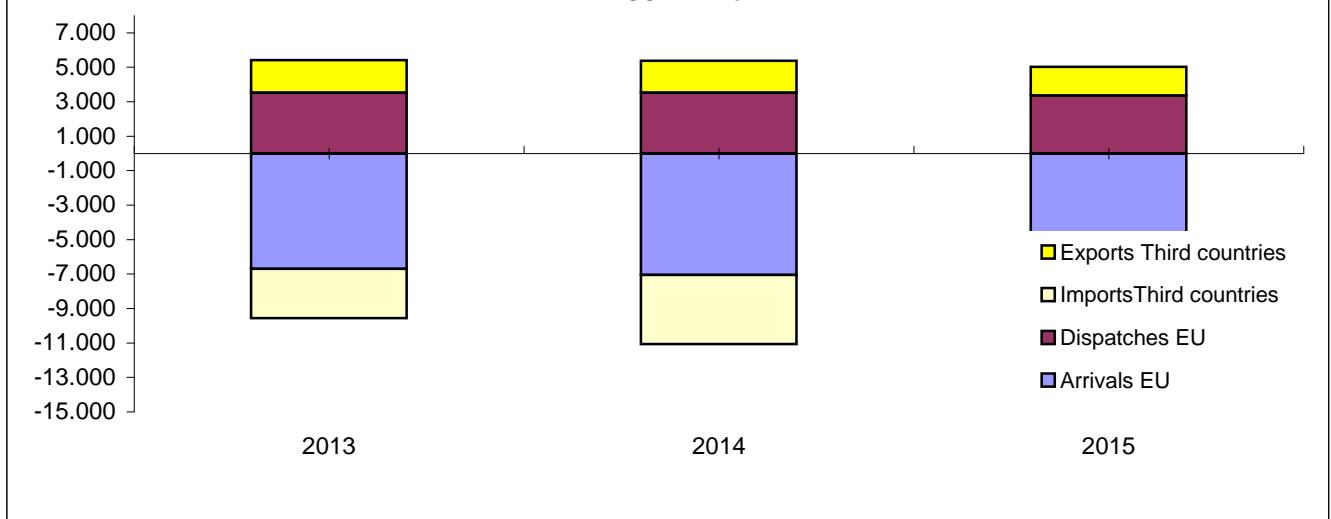
	January -March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	3.519,8	3.527,9	3.364,6	0,2	-4,6
II. Third countries	1.889,6	1.848,3	1.668,5	-2,2	-9,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.409,4</b>	<b>5.376,2</b>	<b>5.033,1</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>-6,4</b>

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

<sup>(2)</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.

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



**Table 8: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, January- March 2013<sup>(1)</sup>-2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

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

	January -March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	5.082,7	5.159,2	5.615,1	1,5	8,8
II. Third countries	2.017,2	1.928,3	2.333,0	-4,4	21,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7.099,9</b>	<b>7.087,5</b>	<b>7.948,1</b>	<b>-0,2</b>	<b>12,1</b>

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

	January -March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	6.688,7	7.048,0	6.293,8	5,4	-10,7
II. Third countries	2.655,9	2.634,0	2.616,7	-0,8	-0,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.344,6</b>	<b>9.682,0</b>	<b>8.910,5</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>-8,0</b>

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

	January -March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	2.656,7	2.563,4	2.965,6	-3,5	15,7
II. Third countries	1.413,5	1.332,7	1.469,0	-5,7	10,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.070,2</b>	<b>3.896,1</b>	<b>4.434,6</b>	<b>-4,3</b>	<b>13,8</b>

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

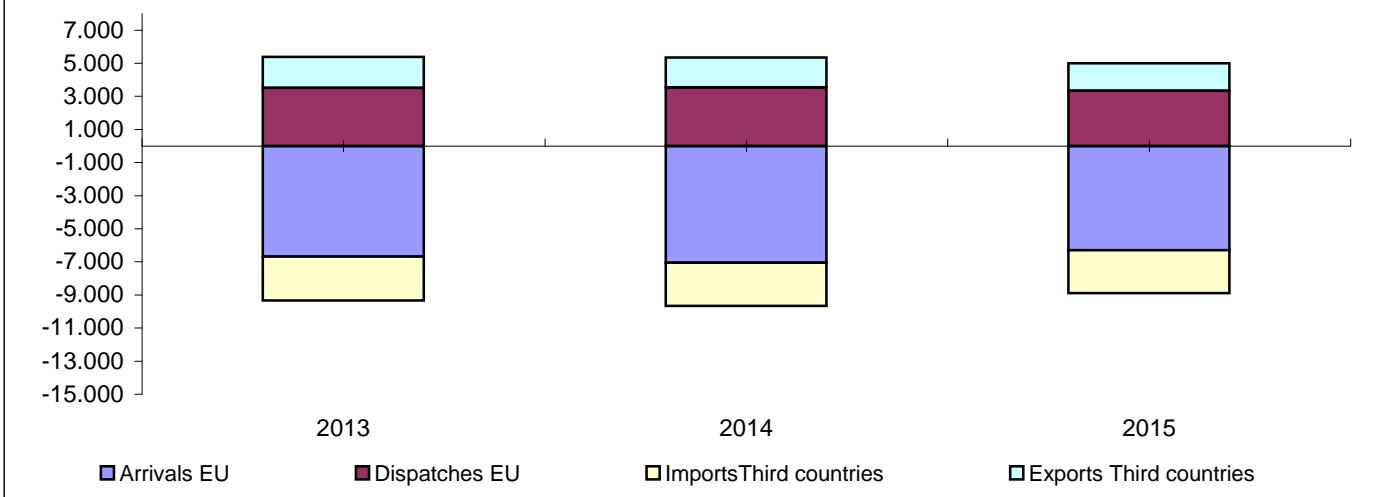
	January -March			Changes %	
	2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	2014/2013	2015/2014
I. European Union	3.517,1	3.522,5	3.346,7	0,2	-5,0
II. Third countries	1.871,0	1.831,2	1.656,1	-2,1	-9,6
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.388,1</b>	<b>5.353,7</b>	<b>5.002,8</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>-6,6</b>

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

<sup>(2)</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.

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



**Table 9. Imports - Arrivals and Exports - Dispatches by SITC sections (Standard International Trade Classification) including oil products, March 2015<sup>(1)</sup> and January-March 2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

**Imports - Arrivals (in million €)**

	March 2015		January-March 2015	
	European Union	Third countries	European Union	Third countries
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.158,0</b>	<b>2.208,8</b>	<b>5.782,6</b>	<b>5.216,7</b>
0. Food and live animals	346,3	88,9	991,9	243,6
1. Beverages and tobacco	33,6	12,0	91,1	26,1
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	58,3	54,7	139,2	165,6
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	110,9	1.236,7	243,6	2.774,5
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	10,6	6,5	30,3	21,4
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	518,2	130,0	1.417,9	343,8
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	264,8	190,5	705,1	539,4
7. Machinery and transport equipment	480,8	318,1	1.285,6	685,5
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	333,1	171,3	874,3	416,5
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	1,3	0,1	3,7	0,3

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

	March 2015		January-March 2015	
	European Union	Third countries	European Union	Third countries
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.219,6</b>	<b>1.136,1</b>	<b>3.398,9</b>	<b>2.875,2</b>
0. Food and live animals	254,1	78,9	666,5	216,8
1. Beverages and tobacco	30,3	25,3	72,7	66,4
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	38,6	48,9	110,1	165,9
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	144,3	580,6	425,8	1.396,9
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	59,1	8,9	218,4	25,1
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	182,9	66,5	474,8	171,1
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	217,7	164,8	613,3	418,7
7. Machinery and transport equipment	131,9	98,2	380,9	245,2
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	128,8	37,3	341,8	104,4
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	32,0	26,7	94,8	64,9

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

<sup>(3)</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 10. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2013<sup>(1)</sup>-2015<sup>(1)</sup>**

Year and Month	Imports - Arrivals			Exports - Dispatches		
	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
2013: 1	4.131,5	6,7	7,0	2.227,7	-8,8	16,2
	2.974,6	-3,8	7,8	2.205,1	-1,0	9,8
	3.711,5	-6,6	-28,4	2.122,9	-3,7	-5,5
	3.929,0	5,9	-0,6	2.553,2	20,3	18,4
	3.864,3	-1,6	-4,4	2.453,3	-3,9	6,3
	3.822,6	-1,1	-8,1	2.209,8	-9,9	-3,6
	3.949,9	3,3	3,6	2.485,0	12,5	12,4
	3.927,5	-0,6	-4,8	2.182,0	-12,2	-1,3
	4.043,8	3,0	8,3	2.505,2	14,8	2,2
	4.197,3	3,8	-7,6	2.349,5	-6,2	-8,8
	3.807,3	-9,3	-12,3	2.174,7	-7,4	-21,4
	3.508,1	-7,9	-9,4	2.107,5	-3,1	-13,7
Total year	46.867,5		-5,0	27.576,0		-0,1
2014: 1	3.740,7	6,6	-9,5	2.138,2	1,5	-4,0
	4.037,7	7,9	1,6	2.078,7	-2,8	-5,7
	4.052,1	0,4	9,2	2.170,5	4,4	2,2
	3.627,1	-10,5	-7,7	2.060,4	-5,1	-19,3
	3.997,4	10,2	3,4	2.281,5	10,7	-7,0
	4.209,5	5,3	10,1	2.501,6	9,6	13,2
	4.439,8	5,5	12,4	2.510,6	0,4	1,0
	3.288,1	-25,9	-16,3	2.077,7	-17,2	-4,8
	4.340,7	32,0	7,3	2.311,0	11,2	-7,8
	4.280,2	-1,4	2,0	2.538,2	9,8	8,0
	3.782,5	-11,6	-0,7	2.341,6	-7,7	7,7
	4.015,1	6,2	14,5	2.204,4	-5,9	4,6
Total year	47.810,9		2,0	27.214,3		-1,3
2015: 1	3.145,9	-21,6	-15,9	1.871,7	-15,1	-12,5
	3.486,5	10,8	-13,7	2.046,8	9,4	-1,5
	4.366,8	25,2	7,8	2.355,6	15,1	8,5

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

<sup>(3)</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.

\* Wherever necessary, the data have been rounded to the next final digit. Thus, a slight difference may be noted between the sum of the figures and their total.

**Table 11. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2013<sup>(1)</sup>-2015<sup>(1)</sup> excluding oil products**

Year and Month	Imports - Arrivals			Exports - Dispatches		
	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
2013: 1	2.418,6	-5,5	2,2	1.330,4	-3,2	5,6
2	2.361,1	-2,4	-4,8	1.333,1	0,2	0,6
3	2.489,7	5,4	-19,0	1.422,8	6,7	-8,3
4	2.628,5	5,6	7,2	1.514,3	6,4	11,4
5	2.385,8	-9,2	-15,3	1.382,3	-8,7	-7,7
6	2.620,5	9,8	-0,7	1.390,3	0,6	-8,1
7	2.606,6	-0,5	-3,6	1.485,5	6,9	-2,2
8	2.331,8	-10,5	0,2	1.198,3	-19,3	-4,5
9	2.482,0	6,4	-3,6	1.416,9	18,2	2,6
10	2.628,2	5,9	-7,4	1.549,4	9,3	-1,1
11	2.698,6	2,7	5,7	1.500,2	-3,2	-6,0
12	2.287,6	-15,2	-10,6	1.329,5	-11,4	-3,3
Total year	29.939,2		-4,6	16.852,9		-2,0
2014: 1	2.347,0	2,6	-3,0	1.277,3	-3,9	-4,0
2	2.772,6	18,1	17,4	1.282,6	0,4	-3,8
3	2.991,8	7,9	20,2	1.352,6	5,5	-4,9
4	2.547,3	-14,9	-3,1	1.338,6	-1,0	-11,6
5	2.595,8	1,9	8,8	1.431,7	7,0	3,6
6	3.018,9	16,3	15,2	1.392,4	-2,7	0,2
7	2.877,7	-4,7	10,4	1.539,2	10,5	3,6
8	2.041,8	-29,0	-12,4	1.142,9	-25,8	-4,6
9	2.827,7	38,5	13,9	1.436,1	25,7	1,4
10	2.732,6	-3,4	4,0	1.617,9	12,7	4,4
11	2.641,0	-3,4	-2,1	1.534,7	-5,1	2,3
12	2.757,6	4,4	20,5	1.564,7	2,0	17,7
Total year	32.151,8		7,4	16.910,8		0,3
2015: 1	2.440,4	-11,5	4,0	1.388,5	-11,3	8,7
2	2.607,3	6,8	-6,0	1.440,0	3,7	12,3
3	3.069,1	17,7	2,6	1.633,0	13,4	20,7

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

<sup>(3)</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.

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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>	March
<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 2015 are the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Arrivals: € 150,000.00 (94,90% coverage)</li><li>• Dispatches: € 90,000.00 (97,90% 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"