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FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA – Provisional Data January – September 2023 and January – October 2023

According to provisional data, from January to September 2023, total export of the Republic of Croatia amounted to 17.0 billion euro. At the same time, total import was 29.9 billion euro. Foreign trade deficit amounted to 12.9 billion euro.

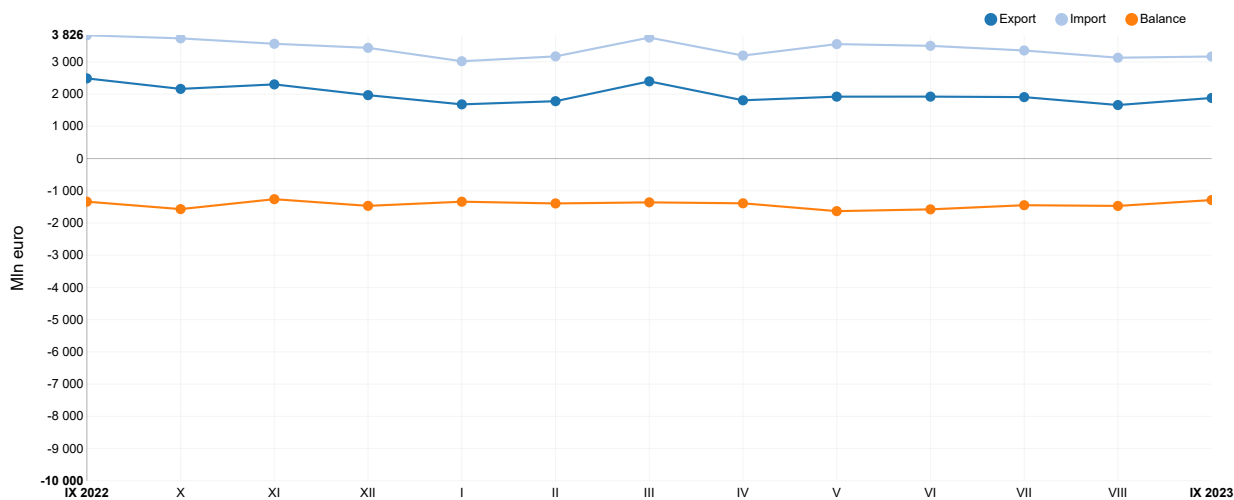
In the period from January to September 2023, coverage of import by export was 56.8%.

According to the First Results, in the period from January to October 2023, total export of the Republic of Croatia amounted to 19.0 billion euro, while total import was 33.2 billion euro. Foreign trade deficit amounted to 14.2 billion euro.

According to the First Results, coverage of import by export was 57.3% in the period from January to October 2023.

Remark: From 1 January 2023, a new currency, the euro, was introduced in the Republic of Croatia. Values for periods before 1 January 2023 have been converted into euro at a fixed exchange rate (1 euro = 7.53450 kuna) and the data for 2022 in this First Release differ from those published in the First Release VT-2023-1-2.

G-1 FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS, SEPTEMBER 2022 – SEPTEMBER 2023



1 FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

	Export		Import		Balance of foreign trade in goods		Coverage of import by export, %
	Thousand euro	Thousand US \$	Thousand euro	Thousand US \$	Thousand euro	Thousand US \$	
2022							
I	1 493 587	1 693 397	2 570 127	2 914 112	-1 076 540	-1 220 716	58,1
II	1 662 924	1 870 153	2 901 671	3 258 998	-1 238 746	-1 388 845	57,3
III	1 963 530	2 210 178	3 762 537	4 230 512	-1 799 007	-2 020 334	52,2
IV	1 850 980	2 040 464	3 468 477	3 824 503	-1 617 496	-1 784 039	53,4
V	2 035 638	2 160 223	3 561 497	3 777 599	-1 525 859	-1 617 376	57,2
VI	2 148 936	2 288 714	3 525 910	3 757 830	-1 376 974	-1 469 116	60,9
VII	2 148 407	2 253 632	3 635 546	3 813 782	-1 487 139	-1 560 150	59,1
VIII	1 879 173	1 925 049	3 882 197	3 978 264	-2 003 024	-2 053 216	48,4
IX	2 489 267	2 489 045	3 825 807	3 825 322	-1 336 540	-1 336 277	65,1
X	2 163 486	2 137 720	3 731 390	3 683 309	-1 567 904	-1 545 589	58,0
XI	2 303 006	2 283 072	3 562 787	3 533 297	-1 259 780	-1 250 225	64,6
XII	1 969 287	2 031 518	3 436 574	3 545 949	-1 467 287	-1 514 431	57,3
I – XII	24 108 220	25 383 164	41 864 518	44 143 477	-17 756 298	-18 760 313	57,6
2023							
I	1 682 667	1 794 717	3 021 124	3 222 328	-1 338 457	-1 427 611	55,7
II	1 780 560	1 928 875	3 172 480	3 436 736	-1 391 921	-1 507 861	56,1
III	2 396 980	2 545 351	3 756 067	3 988 562	-1 359 087	-1 443 211	63,8
IV	1 809 206	1 967 511	3 197 164	3 476 912	-1 387 957	-1 509 401	56,6
V	1 921 581	2 110 086	3 552 560	3 901 059	-1 630 979	-1 790 973	54,1
VI	1 922 745	2 054 067	3 498 886	3 737 725	-1 576 141	-1 683 657	55,0
VII	1 908 072	2 073 307	3 354 673	3 645 183	-1 446 601	-1 571 876	56,9
VIII	1 662 489	1 832 561	3 131 472	3 451 815	-1 468 983	-1 619 254	53,1
IX	1 880 919	2 044 183	3 168 369	3 443 379	-1 287 450	-1 399 196	59,4
I – IX	16 965 219	18 350 658	29 852 794	32 303 699	-12 887 576	-13 953 041	56,8

I FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA, EURO

1 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO NKD 2007

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I – IX 2022	I – IX 2023	indices I – IX 2023 I – IX 2022	I – IX 2022	I – IX 2023	indices I – IX 2023 I – IX 2022
Total	17 672 442	16 965 219	96,0	31 133 768	29 852 794	95,9
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1 033 184	899 932	87,1	776 512	925 588	119,2
B Mining and quarrying	1 218 231	612 981	50,3	4 075 167	2 450 487	60,1
C Manufacturing	13 943 566	14 478 915	103,8	24 392 665	25 576 317	104,9
10 Manufacture of food products	1 304 270	1 479 963	113,5	2 489 296	2 867 482	115,2
11 Manufacture of beverages	173 019	224 138	129,5	262 184	302 367	115,3
12 Manufacture of tobacco products	146 882	196 333	133,7	167 452	184 836	110,4
13 Manufacture of textiles	166 889	169 020	101,3	395 791	419 253	105,9
14 Manufacture of wearing apparel	601 805	741 147	123,2	1 092 321	1 252 052	114,6
15 Manufacture of leather and related products	347 320	362 728	104,4	524 053	597 102	113,9
16 Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	920 055	759 937	82,6	410 753	395 927	96,4
17 Manufacture of paper and paper products	363 666	320 005	88,0	616 138	562 822	91,3
18 Printing and reproduction of recorded media	1 943	1 553	79,9	3 252	2 436	74,9
19 Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	1 232 288	841 795	68,3	2 154 179	1 919 930	89,1
20 Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	891 239	932 034	104,6	2 317 198	2 183 562	94,2
21 Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	793 189	793 179	100,0	1 297 970	1 346 253	103,7
22 Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	569 482	539 198	94,7	1 121 622	1 081 780	96,4
23 Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	550 909	609 556	110,6	532 986	565 884	106,2
24 Manufacture of basic metals	818 071	693 291	84,7	2 187 747	1 739 882	79,5
25 Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	1 072 615	1 069 674	99,7	967 639	1 012 919	104,7
26 Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	455 802	430 142	94,4	1 397 159	1 482 151	106,1
27 Manufacture of electrical equipment	1 307 127	1 492 575	114,2	1 439 834	1 569 202	109,0
28 Manufacture of machinery and equipment n. e. c.	923 656	1 103 235	119,4	1 912 835	2 148 665	112,3
29 Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	470 777	560 216	119,0	1 672 772	2 255 484	134,8
30 Manufacture of other transport equipment	414 042	731 519	176,7	467 737	645 301	138,0
31 Manufacture of furniture	242 731	230 632	95,0	366 668	403 717	110,1
32 Other manufacturing	175 788	197 044	112,1	595 079	637 308	107,1
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	979 295	607 132	62,0	1 624 623	677 568	41,7
E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	389 890	269 233	69,1	207 866	159 439	76,7
J Information and communication	61 267	58 361	95,3	54 838	59 513	108,5
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	6	25	401,1	60	89	149,0
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	517	466	90,1	332	1 965	592,8
Not classified	46 486	38 173	82,1	1 706	1 829	107,2

2 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO SITC SECTIONS

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I – IX 2022	I – IX 2023	indices I – IX 2023 I – IX 2022	I – IX 2022	I – IX 2023	indices I – IX 2023 I – IX 2022
Total	17 672 442	16 965 219	96,0	31 133 768	29 852 794	95,9
0 Food and live animals	1 953 552	2 069 792	106,0	2 877 453	3 463 500	120,4
1 Beverages and tobacco	303 192	399 294	131,7	433 783	488 082	112,5
2 Crude materials, except fuels	1 349 008	1 106 652	82,0	626 991	525 276	83,8
3 Mineral fuels and lubricants	3 365 015	2 000 895	59,5	7 931 605	5 037 824	63,5
4 Animal and vegetable oils and fats	121 900	71 293	58,5	180 907	137 085	75,8
5 Chemical products	1 917 832	1 936 449	101,0	3 870 814	3 854 103	99,6
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2 932 482	2 864 797	97,7	5 039 675	4 719 644	93,6
7 Machinery and transport equipment	3 489 024	4 220 214	121,0	6 564 972	7 740 423	117,9
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2 084 844	2 207 694	105,9	3 398 648	3 757 486	110,6
9 Commodities and transactions, n. e. s.	109 108	49 965	45,8	207 215	127 541	61,6
Not classified	46 486	38 173	82,1	1 706	1 829	107,2

3 EXPORT AND IMPORT, ACCORDING TO ECONOMIC CLASSIFICATION OF COUNTRIES

Thousand euro

	Export			Import		
	I – IX 2022	I – IX 2023	indices I – IX 2023 I – IX 2022	I – IX 2022	I – IX 2023	indices I – IX 2023 I – IX 2022
Total	17 672 442	16 965 219	96,0	31 133 768	29 852 794	95,9
EU Member States	12 160 493	11 574 136	95,2	21 766 251	22 626 997	104,0
Austria	964 451	940 204	97,5	1 624 095	1 659 178	102,2
Belgium	167 678	180 353	107,6	499 806	507 128	101,5
Bulgaria	100 291	122 775	122,4	324 966	254 190	78,2
Cyprus	47 061	26 816	57,0	9 377	11 425	121,8
Czech Republic	258 308	288 106	111,5	595 657	665 221	111,7
Denmark	93 613	122 622	131,0	162 748	190 245	116,9
Estonia	13 551	18 042	133,1	12 969	14 160	109,2
Finland	35 151	28 108	80,0	47 315	52 559	111,1
France	425 335	428 428	100,7	673 104	786 007	116,8
Greece	109 154	105 615	96,8	255 233	218 053	85,4
Ireland	51 978	43 500	83,7	79 715	72 883	91,4
Italy	2 205 344	2 079 077	94,3	4 069 334	4 306 540	105,8
Latvia	18 515	15 332	82,8	13 975	13 299	95,2
Lithuania	57 221	60 878	106,4	57 386	50 637	88,2
Luxembourg	14 078	8 058	57,2	11 587	10 356	89,4
Hungary	1 911 772	1 157 903	60,6	2 334 359	1 889 944	81,0
Malta	42 546	271 861	639,0	13 010	81 842	629,1
Netherlands	231 276	276 657	119,6	1 030 462	1 156 652	112,2
Germany	2 054 605	2 108 999	102,6	3 813 439	4 201 043	110,2
Poland	372 760	424 074	113,8	1 061 550	1 155 602	108,9
Portugal	59 446	57 900	97,4	42 508	41 305	97,2
Romania	260 011	259 070	99,6	331 759	376 302	113,4
Northern Ireland	2 157	2 293	106,3	4 838	6 429	132,9
Slovakia	177 449	199 018	112,2	622 126	564 040	90,7
Slovenia	2 024 759	1 904 028	94,0	3 343 141	3 410 324	102,0
Spain	294 138	282 275	96,0	547 940	719 020	131,2
Sweden	160 953	155 836	96,8	183 739	212 538	115,7
Not classified	6 894	6 305	91,5	109	73	67,3
EFTA countries	295 376	295 457	100,0	159 516	174 647	109,5
Iceland	1 695	3 151	185,9	50	67	133,8
Liechtenstein	19 446	16 686	85,8	96	29	30,3
Norway	70 055	52 751	75,3	17 922	18 462	103,0
Switzerland	204 180	222 869	109,2	141 448	156 089	110,4
CEFTA countries	3 349 676	3 216 209	96,0	2 315 772	1 940 385	83,8
Albania	85 611	72 913	85,2	37 155	22 122	59,5
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 851 660	1 690 739	91,3	1 071 734	990 109	92,4
Montenegro	231 930	258 086	111,3	6 442	5 967	92,6
Kosovo	99 485	123 104	123,7	8 858	8 959	101,1
Moldova	3 993	2 272	56,9	4 172	7 870	188,6
North Macedonia	119 881	139 487	116,4	91 421	97 323	106,5
Serbia	957 115	929 609	97,1	1 095 991	808 035	73,7
OPEC countries	142 011	120 441	84,8	67 139	142 558	212,3
Algeria	5 101	5 260	103,1	16 110	17 141	106,4
Angola	1 967	3 682	187,2	-	-	-
Equatorial Guinea	168	332	198,3	-	-	-
Gabon	942	919	97,6	107	116	107,6
Iraq	3 218	6 146	191,0	554	236	42,6
Iran, Islamic Republic of	4 071	3 907	96,0	5 222	3 517	67,3
Congo	932	2 010	215,6	-	71 422	-
Kuwait	8 044	6 195	77,0	92	6	6,6
Libya	7 966	3 678	46,2	2 387	-	-
Nigeria	1 161	8 210	706,9	15 197	41 427	272,6
Saudi Arabia	58 040	39 868	68,7	12 462	4 502	36,1
United Arab Emirates	50 378	39 712	78,8	14 944	3 962	26,5
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	24	522	1) ¹⁾	65	229	352,7
Other countries in Europe	667 676	659 061	98,7	1 040 419	721 256	69,3

Belarus	9 788	6 872	70,2	2 631	494	18,8
Russian Federation	127 665	175 717	137,6	424 660	49 638	11,7
Turkey	254 655	235 017	92,3	473 664	506 553	106,9
United Kingdom	167 125	177 925	106,5	87 019	93 947	108,0
Ukraine	61 962	61 590	99,4	51 696	69 727	134,9
Other countries	46 481	1 939	4,2	750	898	119,7
Other countries in Asia	363 355	325 113	89,5	2 953 838	2 749 727	93,1
Azerbaijan	6 963	2 945	42,3	1 103 057	581 996	52,8
Bangladesh	1 406	1 690	120,2	17 014	45 740	268,8
Philippines	2 773	1 338	48,3	1 527	3 121	204,4
Hong Kong, China	7 731	9 124	118,0	4 128	2 129	51,6
India	13 456	12 888	95,8	128 828	204 059	158,4
Indonesia	6 799	6 149	90,4	67 688	74 791	110,5
Israel	100 008	29 970	30,0	35 413	21 813	61,6
Japan	41 690	52 113	125,0	33 365	58 199	174,4
Qatar	11 837	3 623	30,6	227 460	1 962	0,9
Kazakhstan	13 323	36 565	274,5	70 757	23 899	33,8
China	68 430	56 998	83,3	1 029 804	970 328	94,2
Korea, Republic of	7 137	11 332	158,8	76 970	54 444	70,7
Lebanon	8 910	17 858	200,4	9	90	1)
Malaysia	1 869	4 063	217,4	14 462	16 376	113,2
Pakistan	1 719	2 727	158,6	17 193	13 546	78,8
Singapore	6 235	6 817	109,3	15 421	25 419	164,8
Thailand	4 655	3 809	81,8	13 364	14 846	111,1
Taiwan, China	9 384	9 183	97,9	26 414	30 769	116,5
Viet Nam	23 629	20 811	88,1	40 029	56 228	140,5
Other countries	25 399	35 108	138,2	30 935	549 971	1)
Other countries in Africa	178 590	146 703	82,1	182 319	283 143	155,3
Egypt	77 534	70 335	90,7	143 362	35 301	24,6
Ethiopia	1 229	2 246	182,7	6 199	5 608	90,5
South Africa	9 521	9 032	94,9	11 848	32 781	276,7
Morocco	61 548	31 080	50,5	6 123	7 114	116,2
Mozambique	19	53	283,8	5 192	191 061	1)
Tunisia	5 709	9 143	160,2	4 205	5 298	126,0
Other countries	23 031	24 814	107,7	5 390	5 980	111,0
Other countries in America	476 703	543 185	113,9	2 461 148	1 076 216	43,7
Argentina	8 689	1 446	16,6	8 436	8 485	100,6
Brazil	9 631	7 265	75,4	14 085	8 660	61,5
Canada	33 517	41 663	124,3	23 895	23 664	99,0
Mexico	7 829	58 698	749,8	18 385	17 524	95,3
United States	402 508	399 681	99,3	2 339 545	809 248	34,6
Other countries	14 529	34 432	237,0	56 801	208 634	367,3
Countries of Oceania	20 457	68 132	333,1	21 277	6 441	30,3
Australia	18 211	24 918	136,8	4 906	4 979	101,5
New Zealand	2 064	1 214	58,8	1 310	1 372	104,7
Other countries	182	42 000	1)	15 061	90	0,6
Not classified	18 107	16 781	92,7	166 088	131 425	79,1

1) The index exceeds 999.

4 FIRST RESULTS OF FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

Thousand euro

	I – X 2022	I – X 2023	Indices $\frac{I - X 2023}{I - X 2022}$
Export	19 835 928	19 026 561	95,9
EU Member States	13 612 033	12 974 126	95,3
Non-EU Member States	6 223 895	6 052 434	97,2
Import	34 865 158	33 207 077	95,2
EU Member States	24 433 146	25 274 270	103,4
Non-EU Member States	10 432 012	7 932 807	76,0
Balance of foreign trade in goods	-15 029 230	-14 180 517	1)
Coverage of import by export, %	56,9	57,3	1)

1) The index is not presented.

NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

Sources and methods of data collection

The data source for statistics on trading in goods with EU Member States is the Intrastat form used by the reporting units to report on arrivals and/or dispatches on a monthly basis, that is, for each month in which goods physically enter or leave the territory of the Republic of Croatia. The reporting units are all business entities, value added tax payers whose value of trading in goods with EU Member States exceeds the exemption threshold determined for the reference year. For 2023, an exemption threshold of 400 thousand euro for arrivals and of 200 thousand euro for dispatches has been determined. In order to achieve complete harmonisation with the EU methodology and legislation, data on foreign trade in goods have been supplemented with trade value below the exemption threshold after being estimated on the basis of data on supplies and acquisitions of goods in/from EU Member States provided by the Tax Administration Office of the Republic of Croatia.

The First Results of the statistics concerning the foreign trade in goods of the Republic of Croatia are an integral part of this First Release and they contain the estimate of the trade value below the exemption threshold for the entire period they refer to.

The data source for statistics on trading in goods with third countries, that is, non-EU countries, are customs declarations on export and import of goods. The Croatian Bureau of Statistics receives the reviewed customs declarations from the Customs Administration of the Republic of Croatia in the form of data records.

Following basic methodological recommendations of the UN Statistical Office and Eurostat, the Croatian Bureau of Statistics statistically processes and disseminates collected Intrastat and Extrastat data as unique information on foreign trade in goods of the Republic of Croatia.

Legal basis

The legal basis for the conduct of the Intrastat survey is the European legislation related to statistics on trading in goods between EU Member States, the Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 as well as the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1197, the Official Statistics Act (NN, No. 25/20), the Annual Implementation Plan of Statistical Activities of the Republic of Croatia 2023 (NN, No. 35/23) and the Customs Administration Act (NN, Nos 68/13, 30/14, 115/16, 39/19 and 98/19). More detailed notes on methodology for this survey are published on the website of the Croatian Bureau of Statistics at [Državni zavod za statistiku - Intrastat \(gov.hr\)](http://Drzavni.zavod.za.statistiku.intrastat.gov.hr).

The legal basis for Extrastat is the European legislation related to statistics on trading in goods with third countries, the Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 as well as the Commission Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/1197 and 2021/1225 and the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/1704, the Act on the Implementation of the Customs Legislation of the European Union (NN, No. 40/16), the Official Statistics Act (NN, No. 25/20), the Annual Implementation Plan of Statistical Activities of the Republic of Croatia 2023 (NN, No. 35/23), the Customs Administration Act (NN, Nos 68/13, 30/14, 115/16, 39/19 and 98/19) and the Ordinance on Filling in the Single Administrative Document (NN, Nos 65/19 and 136/20).

Coverage and comparability

Statistics on foreign trade in goods include all goods exported from or imported into the country. Data on foreign trade in goods include both export and import based on gross inward and outward processing.

Statistical value of goods is the value of goods at the Croatian border. Values for export, i.e. dispatches, are shown as an FOB-type value, while values for import, i.e. arrivals, are shown as a CIF-type value.

Amounts expressed in foreign currencies are converted into euros and US dollars according to the monthly exchange rate lists determined for the reporting month. The mean exchange rate of the Croatian National Bank is used.

In certain tables, the sum total may not equal the sum of individual figures due to the rounding to thousands.

Data by type of activities have been presented according to the NKD 2007 (NN, Nos 58/07 and 72/07), which entered into force on 1 January 2008 and is based on the European classification NACE, Rev. 2, which is obligatory in EU Member States. Data are presented using a production approach by which export and import data are reported according to the manufacturing activity from which the product originates.

Goods listed under export and import are classified, for statistical needs, according to the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC, Rev. 4).

Data on export are shown by countries of destination, while two methodological criteria have been applied, by which data on import are shown by countries. In Extrastat, data on import are shown by countries of origin of goods, while, in Intrastat, data on arrivals of goods are presented by countries of dispatch.

OPEC membership is subject to frequent changes. More detailed information about OPEC member countries is published on the website <https://www.opec.org/>.

Only customs declarations containing the date of acceptance in a customs office in a particular month are processed for that month as well as Intrastat forms submitted for the reporting month. Already issued data for previous months are changed during the current year in order to classify subsequently received and/or corrected Intrastat forms and customs declarations for earlier periods.

Monthly data are corrected until final data processing for the current year is done (the middle of the next year). Monthly data are considered provisional until the final processing of the current year and dissemination of final data is done. Monthly data for 2022 in this First Release are considered final.

Data on foreign trade in goods are available in the time series published on the website of the Croatian Bureau of Statistics under [Statistics in Line; Economy – Basic Indicators](#) (data from 2000) and [Foreign Trade in Goods](#) (data from 2010).

Abbreviations

CEFTA	Central European Free Trade Agreement
CIF	cost, insurance and freight
EC	European Community
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
EU	European Union
Eurostat	Statistical Office of the European Union
FOB	free on board
mln	million
NACE	Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community
n. e. c.	not elsewhere classified
n. e. s.	not elsewhere specified
NKD 2007	National Classification of Activities, 2007 version
NN	Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia
OPEC	Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries
PSI	provider of statistical information
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification
UN	United Nations
US \$	United States dollar

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