



BELGIUM / Foreign trade's figures

1 MONTH 2011
(Provisory figures)

Overall developments 2010/2011

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance	Cover (%)
2010 (1 m.)	32.06	30.62	1.44	104.7 %
2011 (1 m.)	36.11	35.61	0.50	101.4 %

(In USD billions) (Average values: 1 m. 2010: USD 1 = EUR 0.7004 /
1 m. 2011: USD 1 = EUR 0.7489)

Developments in the European Union - 2010/2011

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance	Cover (%)
2010 (1 m.)	23.80	21.25	2.55	112.0 %
2011 (1 m.)	26.41	23.81	2.60	110.9 %

(In USD billions)

Geographical breakdown of the exports & imports / 1 month 2011

Exports	USD billions	Total (% of)	Imports	USD billions	Total (% of)
EUROPE	28.14	77.9	EUROPE	26.22	73.6
• European Union	26.41	73.1	• European Union	23.81	66.9
-- Euro area countries (*)	22.00	60.9	-- Euro area countries (*)	20.36	57.2
-- Other EU-countries (**)	4.41	12.2	-- Other EU-countries (**)	3.45	9.7
• Europe outside EU (***)	1.73	4.8	• Europe outside EU (***)	2.41	6.8
• Other Europ. countries	0.12	0.3	• Other Europ. countries	0.05	0.1
ASIA	3.60	10.0	ASIA	5.11	14.4
- India	0.90	2.5	- PR of China	1.52	4.3
AMERICA	2.85	7.9	AMERICA	3.23	9.1
- USA	2.12	5.9	- USA	2.02	5.7
AFRICA	0.86	2.4	AFRICA	0.88	2.5
- South Africa	0.17	0.5	- Algeria	0.24	0.7
OCEANIA	0.24	0.7	OCEANIA	0.16	0.5
- Australia	0.21	0.6	- Australia	0.14	0.4

(*) Austria • Cyprus • Finland • France • Germany • Greece • Ireland • Italy • Latvia • GD of Luxembourg • Malta • Netherlands • Portugal • Slovakia • Slovenia • Spain • Belgium.

(**) Bulgaria • Cyprus • Czech Rep. • Denmark • Estonia • Hungary • Latvia • Lithuania • Malta • Poland • Romania • Sweden • United Kingdom.

(***) Iceland • Norway • Russian Fed. • Switzerland • Turkey • Ukraine.

Miscellaneous	0.42	1.2	Miscellaneous	0.004	0.0
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Belgium's top 20 customers / 1 month 2011

Exports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 - Germany	6.51	4,874.5	18.0
2 - France	6.35	4,754.7	17.6
3 - Netherlands	4.53	3,390.1	12.5
4 - United Kingdom	2.40	1,799.2	6.7
5 - USA	2.12	1,590.3	5.9
6 - Italy	1.65	1,237.7	4.6
7 - Spain	1.00	751.2	2.8
8 - India	0.90	673.0	2.5
9 - PR of China	0.65	484.6	1.8
10 - GD of Luxembourg	0.62	467.5	1.7
11 - Turkey	0.54	405.3	1.5
12 - Poland	0.54	404.9	1.5
13 - Sweden	0.51	383.4	1.4
14 - Switzerland	0.49	369.0	1.4
15 - Japan	0.35	263.9	1.0
16 - Russian Federation	0.35	261.9	1.0
17 - Austria	0.32	242.0	0.9
18 - Czech Republic	0.31	228.8	0.8
19 - Israël	0.26	198.4	0.7
20 - Denmark	0.26	194.3	0.7

Top 20 / Evolution
(Compared with the
period "12 months
2010"):

+ 2 : Turkey
+ 1 : Japan
- 1 : Poland / Russian
Fed. / Sweden
New in top 20 : Denmark
/ Israël
Out of top 20 : Brazil /
Hong Kong

(Total 20 countries: 85.0
% of the Belgian export)

Belgium's top 20 suppliers / 1 month 2011

Imports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 - Netherlands	7.31	5,474.0	20.5
2 - Germany	5.06	3,786.4	14.2
3 - France	3.70	2,768.2	10.4
4 - USA	2.02	1,510.1	5.7
5 - United Kingdom	1.76	1,317.6	4.9
6 - Ireland	1.72	1,287.2	4.8
7 - PR of China	1.52	1,139.3	4.3
8 - Russian Federation	1.06	792.5	3.0
9 - Italy	0.92	688.9	2.6
10 - Japan	0.72	539.2	2.0
11 - Spain	0.72	537.0	2.0
12 - Sweden	0.66	495.9	1.9
13 - Norway	0.59	445.5	1.7
14 - India	0.57	424.9	1.6
15 - U. A. Emirates	0.36	267.6	1.0
16 - Israël	0.36	266.4	1.0

Top 20 / Evolution
(Compared with the
period "12 months
2010"):

+ 2 : Russian Fed.
+ 1 : Norway
- 5 : Singapore
- 3 : Poland
- 1 : India / Italy / Japan
New in top 20 : United
Arab Emirates / Israël
Out of top 20 : Brazil /
Czech Rep.

17 - Switzerland	0.34	255.1	1.0
18 - Turkey	0.34	251.3	0.9
19 - Poland	0.32	241.0	0.9
20 - Singapore	0.32	239.3	0.9

(Total 20 countries: 85.3 % of the Belgian import)

▣ Sectoral breakdown of the exports & imports / 1 month 2011

Exports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 • Chemicals & pharmaceutical products	8.84	6,619.4	24.5
2 • Mineral products	3.88	2,907.2	10.8
3 • Machinery & mechanical appliances	3.80	2,847.4	10.5
4 • Transport equipment	3.44	2,574.6	9.5
5 • Base metals & articles thereof	3.30	2,470.9	9.1
6 • Plastics, rubber & articles thereof	3.06	2,288.3	8.5
7 • Pearls, precious stones & metals	1.93	1,445.5	5.3
8 • Prepared foodstuffs & beverages	1.48	1,105.2	4.1
9 • Textiles & textile articles	1.28	958.2	3.5
10 • Vegetable products	0.85	636.8	2.4
11 • Optical & precision instruments	0.82	613.4	2.3
12 • Live animals & animal products	0.74	553.4	2.0
13 • Paper, paperboard & articles thereof	0.66	491.0	1.8
14 • Footwear & headgear	0.43	321.4	1.2
15 • Miscell. manufactured articles	0.39	294.4	1.1
16 • Stone, cement & ceramic - Glass	0.37	277.1	1.0
17 • Non-classified articles (*)	0.34	255.4	0.9
18 • Wood, cork & articles thereof	0.22	166.2	0.6
19 • Fats & oils (animal/vegetable)	0.15	113.2	0.4
20 • Hides, skins, leather & furskins	0.01	81.1	0.3
21 • Arms, ammunition & accessories	0.02	18.3	0.1
22 • Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	0.005	3.6	0.0
TOTAL	36.11	27,042.1	100,0

(*) Non classified in commercial statistics

Exports / Top 5
Principal chapter with % / Variation compared with the same period in 2010:

- 1 • Pharmaceutical products (44.14 % / - 14.00 %)
- 2 • Mineral fuels, mineral oils (94.24 % / + 42.11 %)
- 3 • Nuclear reactors, boilers & mechanical appliances (66.37 % / + 21.75 %)
- 4 • Vehicles other than railway and parts & accessories (97.31 % / + 40.67 %)
- 5 • Iron & steel (52.53 % / + 55.14 %)

Imports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 • Chemicals & pharmaceutical			

Imports / Top 5

products	7.11	5,326.9	20.0
2 • Mineral products	6.92	5,180.1	19.4
3 • Machinery & mechanical appliances	4.15	3,110.7	11.7
4 • Transport equipment	3.47	2,598.9	9.7
5 • Base metals & articles thereof	2.85	2,137.0	8.0
6 • Pearls, precious stones & metals	1.92	1,437.1	5.4
7 • Plastics, rubber & articles thereof	1.82	1,366.0	5.1
8 • Prepared foodstuffs & beverages	1.08	810.8	3.0
9 • Textiles & textile articles	1.08	806.2	3.0
10 • Vegetable products	0.99	743.3	2.8
11 • Optical & precision instruments	0.84	626.8	2.4
12 • Paper, paperboard & articles thereof	0.65	483.4	1.8
13 • Live animals & animal products	0.64	476.8	1.8
14 • Non-classified articles (*)	0.50	377.6	1.4
15 • Miscell. manufactured articles	0.49	368.9	1.4
16 • Stone, cement & ceramic - Glass	0.31	230.3	0.9
17 • Wood, cork & articles thereof	0.24	181.9	0.7
18 • Footwear & headgear	0.22	163.3	0.6
19 • Fats & oils (animal/vegetable)	0.20	151.5	0.6
20 • Hides, skins, leather & furskins	0.10	76.3	0.3
21 • Arms, ammunition & accessories	0.01	9.3	0.0
22 • Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	0.01	8.9	0.0
TOTAL	35.62	26,672.2	100,0

(*) Non classified in commercial statistics

Principal chapter with % / Variation compared with the same period in 2010:

- 1 • Pharmaceutical products (38.12 % / - 14.58 %)
- 2 • Mineral fuels, mineral oils (92.66 % / + 50.93 %)
- 3 • Nuclear reactors, boilers & mechanical appliances (60.83 % / + 18.67 %)
- 4 • Vehicles other than railway and parts & accessories (95.66 % / + 18.56 %)
- 5 • Iron & steel (39.96 % / + 62.96 %)