



BELGIUM / Foreign trade's figures

5 MONTHS 2011
(Provisory figures)

Overall developments 2010/2011

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance	Cover (%)
2010 (5 m.)	167.85	157.97	9.88	106.3 %
2011 (5 m.)	203.71	197.25	6.46	103.3 %

(In USD billions) (Average values: 5 m. 2010: USD 1 = EUR 0.7406 /
5 m. 2011: USD 1 = EUR 0.7170)

Developments in the European Union - 2010/2011

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance	Cover (%)
2010 (5 m.)	123.36	111.03	12.33	111.1 %
2011 (5 m.)	148.04	134.24	13.80	110.3 %

(In USD billions)

Geographical breakdown of the exports & imports / 5 months 2011

Exports	USD billions	Total (% of)	Imports	USD billions	Total (% of)
EUROPE	158.79	77.9	EUROPE	147.08	74.6
• European Union	148.04	72.7	• European Union	134.24	68.1
-- Euro area countries (*)	122.17	60.0	-- Euro area countries (*)	113.20	57.4
-- Other EU-countries (**)	25.87	12.7	-- Other EU-countries (**)	21.04	10.7
• Europe outside EU (***)	10.75	5.3	• Europe outside EU (***)	12.84	6.5
• Other Europ. countries	0.99	0.5	• Other Europ. countries	0.33	0.2
ASIA	21.17	10.4	ASIA	26.99	13.7
- India	5.03	2.5	- PR of China	7.92	4.0
AMERICA	14.65	7.2	AMERICA	17.23	8.7
- USA	10.31	5.1	- USA	11.08	5.6
AFRICA	5.36	2.6	AFRICA	4.84	2.5
- Nigeria	0.94	0.5	- South Africa	1.11	0.6
OCEANIA	1.20	0.6	OCEANIA	1.09	0.6
- Australia	1.05	0.5	- Australia	0.86	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	2.53	1.2	Miscellaneous	0.02	0.0
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Belgium's top 20 customers / 5 months 2011

Exports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 - Germany	36.61	26,248.1	18.0
2 - France	34.64	24,839.7	17.0
3 - Netherlands	24.46	17,535.3	12.0
4 - United Kingdom	14.07	10,084.9	6.9
5 - USA	10.31	7,393.6	5.1
6 - Italy	9.78	7,012.6	4.8
7 - Spain	5.63	4,037.0	2.8
8 - India	5.03	3,603.8	2.5
9 - PR of China	4.12	2,954.8	2.0
10 - GD of Luxembourg	3.56	2,550.9	1.7
11 - Poland	3.35	2,399.0	1.6
12 - Switzerland	3.02	2,164.2	1.5
13 - Sweden	2.98	2,138.3	1.5
14 - Turkey	2.97	2,131.8	1.5
15 - Russian Federation	2.43	1,740.8	1.2
16 - Austria	1.93	1,386.0	0.9
17 - Japan	1.82	1,303.3	0.9
18 - Hong Kong	1.73	1,237.2	0.8
19 - Czech Republic	1.73	1,237.0	0.8
20 - Israël	1.53	1,097.2	0.8

Top 20 / Evolution
(Compared with the
period "4 months 2011"):

+ 1 : Hong Kong /
Sweden / Switzerland
- 2 : Turkey
- 1 : Czech Rep.

(Total 20 countries: 84.3
% of the Belgian export)

Belgium's top 20 suppliers / 5 months 2011

Imports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 - The Netherlands	38.46	27,579.4	19.5
2 - Germany	29.41	21,086.1	14.9
3 - France	21.26	15,242.9	10.8
4 - USA	11.08	7,941.8	5.6
5 - United Kingdom	10.91	7,820.3	5.5
6 - Ireland	9.06	6,498.8	4.6
7 - PR of China	7.92	5,679.7	4.0
8 - Italy	5.67	4,062.8	2.9
9 - Russian Federation	5.58	4,001.2	2.8
10 - Japan	4.19	3,003.1	2.1
11 - Spain	3.96	2,838.0	2.0
12 - Sweden	3.95	2,834.4	2.0
13 - India	3.40	2,438.1	1.7
14 - Norway	2.68	1,918.9	1.4
15 - Switzerland	2.14	1,531.2	1.1
16 - Poland	1.94	1,387.7	1.0

Top 20 / Evolution
(Compared with the
period "4 months 2011"):

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17 - Turkey	1.89	1,357.8	1.0
18 - Czech Rep.	1.73	1,239.6	0.9
19 - Singapore	1.61	1,153.7	0.8
20 - Brazil	1.59	1,137.1	0.8

(Total 20 countries: 85.4 % of the Belgian import)

▣ Sectoral breakdown of the exports & imports / 5 months 2011

Exports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 • Chemicals & pharmaceuticals products	48.22	34,572.7	23.7
2 • Mineral products	23.07	16,541.4	11.3
3 • Machinery & mechanical appliances	22.37	16,036.6	11.0
4 • Transport equipment	19.68	14,107.1	9.7
5 • Base metals & articles thereof	18.35	13,157.8	9.0
6 • Plastics, rubber & articles thereof	17.63	12,643.4	8.7
7 • Pearls, precious stones & metals	10.65	7,636.6	5.2
8 • Prepared foodstuffs & beverages	8.42	6,038.2	4.1
9 • Textiles & textile articles	6.82	4,887.5	3.3
10 • Optical & precision instruments	4.98	3,571.4	2.4
11 • Vegetable products	4.70	3,372.8	2.3
12 • Live animals & animal products	4.19	3,001.0	2.1
13 • Paper, paperboard & articles thereof	3.46	2,483.2	1.7
14 • Miscell. manufactured articles	2.29	1,638.4	1.1
15 • Stone, cement & ceramic - Glass	2.15	1,544.6	1.1
16 • Footwear & headgear	1.88	1,344.4	0.9
17 • Non-classified articles (*)	1.83	1,315.4	0.9
18 • Wood, cork & articles thereof	1.32	949.8	0.7
19 • Fats & oils (animal/vegetable)	0.92	659.1	0.5
20 • Hides, skins, leather & furskins	0.59	426.1	0.3
21 • Arms, ammunition & accessories	0.15	108.5	0.1
22 • Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	0.03	20.9	0.0
TOTAL	203.71	146,057.0	100,0

(*) Non classified in commercial statistics

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

- 1 • Pharmaceutical products (43.66 % / - 6.08 %)
- 2 • Mineral fuels, mineral oils (94.32 % / + 52.47 %)
- 3 • Nuclear reactors, boilers & mechanical appliances (68.65 % / + 24.77 %)
- 4 • Vehicles other than railway and parts & accessories (97.36 % / + 25.08 %)
- 5 • Iron & steel (54.06 % / + 35.92 %)

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

Imports / Top 5
Principal chapter with % /

products	39.43	28,269.6	20.0
2 • Mineral products	35.12	25,183.8	17.8
3 • Machinery & mechanical appliances	24.32	17,437.8	12.3
4 • Transport equipment	20.60	14,773.5	10.4
5 • Base metals & articles thereof	16.47	11,809.1	8.3
6 • Pearls, precious stones & metals	9.68	6,940.6	4.9
7 • Plastics, rubber & articles thereof	10.60	7,597.8	5.4
8 • Prepared foodstuffs & beverages	6.20	4,445.0	3.1
9 • Vegetable products	5.87	4,207.9	3.0
10 • Textiles & textile articles	5.77	4,134.6	2.9
11 • Optical & precision instruments	4.85	3,477.1	2.5
12 • Live animals & animal products	3.55	2,548.3	1.8
13 • Paper, paperboard & articles thereof	3.55	2,547.6	1.8
14 • Miscell. manufactured articles	2.90	2,077.7	1.5
15 • Non-classified articles (*)	2.18	1,563.1	1.1
16 • Stone, cement & ceramic - Glass	1.73	1,238.5	0.9
17 • Wood, cork & articles thereof	1.38	986.7	0.7
18 • Footwear & headgear	1.27	912.6	0.6
19 • Fats & oils (animal/vegetable)	1.12	803.2	0.6
20 • Hides, skins, leather & furskins	0.53	376.6	0.3
21 • Arms, ammunition & accessories	0.07	51.3	0.0
22 • Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	0.07	48.7	0.0
TOTAL	197.25	141,431.0	100,0

(*) Non classified in commercial statistics

Variation compared with the same period in 2010:

1 • Pharmaceutical products (37.31 % / - 15.47 %)
2 • Mineral fuels, mineral oils (92.16 % / + 51.32 %)
3 • Nuclear reactors, boilers & mechanical appliances (62.46 % / + 21.32 %)
4 • Vehicles other than railway and parts & accessories (96.54 % / + 14.12 %)
5 • Iron & steel (44.40 % / + 37.18 %)