



BELGIUM / Foreign trade's figures

10 MONTHS 2011
(Provisory figures)

Overall developments 2010/2011

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance	Cover (%)
2010 (10 m.)	340.33	320.06	20.27	106.3 %
2011 (10 m.)	402.60	390.10	12.05	103.2 %

(In USD billions) (Average values: 10 m. 2010: USD 1 = EUR 0.7571 / 10 m. 2011: USD 1 = EUR 0.7128)

Developments in the European Union - 2010/2011

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance	Cover (%)
2010 (10 m.)	248.15	222.85	25.30	111.4 %
2011 (10 m.)	291.99	264.97	27.02	110.2 %

(In USD billions)

Geographical breakdown of the exports & imports / 10 months 2011

Exports	USD billions	Total (% of)	Imports	USD billions	Total (% of)
EUROPE	313.87	78.0	EUROPE	289.73	74.3
• European Union	291.99	72.5	• European Union	264.97	67.9
-- Euro area countries (*)	240.47	59.7	-- Euro area countries (*)	221.87	56.9
-- Other EU-countries (**)	51.52	12.8	-- Other EU-countries (**)	43.09	11.0
• Europe outside EU (***)	21.88	5.4	• Europe outside EU (***)	24.76	6.3
• Other Europ. countries	1.81	0.5	• Other Europ. countries	0.64	0.2
ASIA	41.38	10.3	ASIA	54.10	13.9
- India	9.27	2.3	- PR of China	17.04	4.4
AMERICA	28.41	7.1	AMERICA	34.49	8.8
- USA	19.60	4.9	- USA	21.96	5.6
AFRICA	11.55	2.9	AFRICA	9.60	2.5
- South Africa	1.88	0.5	- South Africa	2.25	0.6
OCEANIA	2.29	0.6	OCEANIA	2.15	0.6
- Australia	1.98	0.5	- Australia	1.67	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	5.09	1.3	Miscellaneous	0.03	0.0
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■ Belgium's top 20 customers / 10 months 2011

Exports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 - Germany	73.51	52,399.6	18.3
2 - France	66.77	47,592.3	16.6
3 - Netherlands	48.88	34,838.6	12.1
4 - United Kingdom	28.26	20,144.6	7.0
5 - USA	19.60	13,973.1	4.9
6 - Italy	18.46	13,160.9	4.6
7 - Spain	10.87	7,746.6	2.7
8 - India	9.27	6,608.2	2.3
9 - PR of China	8.53	6,080.9	2.1
10 - GD of Luxembourg	7.20	5,135.1	1.8
11 - Poland	6.49	4,624.0	1.6
12 - Switzerland	6.14	4,378.4	1.5
13 - Sweden	5.70	4,066.1	1.4
14 - Turkey	5.65	4,029.1	1.4
15 - Russian Federation	5.44	3,880.0	1.4
16 - Japan	3.90	2,783.2	1.0
17 - Austria	3.81	2,714.8	0.9
18 - Czech Republic	3.37	2,402.0	0.8
19 - Hong Kong	2.96	2,109.5	0.7
20 - Denmark	2.88	2,054.8	0.7

Top 20 / Evolution
(Compared with the
period "9 months 2011"):

+ 1 : Japan
- 1 : Austria

(Total 20 countries: 83.8
% of the Belgian export)

■ Belgium's top 20 suppliers / 10 months 2011

Imports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 - Netherlands	76.47	54,506.0	19.6
2 - Germany	57.33	40,866.8	14.7
3 - France	41.31	29,443.4	10.6
4 - United Kingdom	23.39	16,674.9	6.0
5 - USA	21.96	15,653.9	5.6
6 - Ireland	17.40	12,399.3	4.5
7 - PR of China	17.04	12,148.9	4.4
8 - Italy	11.31	8,063.7	2.9
9 - Russian Federation	10.61	7,566.0	2.7
10 - Japan	7.84	5,589.3	2.0
11 - Spain	7.58	5,401.3	1.9
12 - Sweden	7.55	5,385.1	1.9
13 - India	6.60	4,703.3	1.7
14 - Norway	5.10	3,634.1	1.3
15 - Switzerland	4.30	3,064.1	1.1
16 - Poland	3.74	2,664.3	1.0

Top 20 / Evolution
(Compared with the
period "9 months 2011"):

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17 - Turkey	3.65	2,599.6	0.9
18 - Czech Rep.	3.34	2,378.3	0.9
19 - Singapore	3.30	2,352.9	0.8
20 - Brazil	3.16	2,253.0	0.8

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

▣ Sectoral breakdown of the exports & imports / 10 months 2011

Exports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	% of the total
1 • Chemicals & pharmaceutical products	93.96	66,972.5	23.3
2 • Mineral products	46.45	33,110.9	11.5
3 • Machinery & mechanical appliances	44.07	31,414.9	10.9
4 • Transport equipment	37.95	27,051.4	9.4
5 • Base metals & articles thereof	36.03	25,681.5	8.9
6 • Plastics, rubber & articles thereof	34.32	24,461.3	8.5
7 • Pearls, precious stones & metals	21.59	15,386.7	5.4
8 • Prepared foodstuffs & beverages	17.34	12,358.3	4.3
9 • Textiles & textile articles	13.86	9,882.7	3.4
10 • Optical & precision instruments	9.73	6,934.8	2.4
11 • Vegetable products	8.89	6,340.0	2.2
12 • Live animals & animal products	8.36	5,959.6	2.1
13 • Paper, paperboard & articles thereof	7.03	5,010.5	1.7
14 • Miscell. manufactured articles	4.58	3,262.1	1.1
15 • Stone, cement & ceramic - Glass	4.23	3,016.3	1.1
16 • Non-classified articles (*)	4.21	3,000.2	1.0
17 • Footwear & headgear	3.94	2,811.7	1.0
18 • Wood, cork & articles thereof	2.50	1,780.3	0.6
19 • Fats & oils (animal/vegetable)	1.89	1,344.4	0.5
20 • Hides, skins, leather & furskins	1.31	934.6	0.3
21 • Arms, ammunition & accessories	0.29	206.6	0.1
22 • Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	0.07	49.1	0.0
TOTAL	402.60	286,970.4	100,0

(*) Non classified in commercial statistics

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

1 • Pharmaceutical products (43.29 % / - 8.79 %)
2 • Mineral fuels, mineral oils (94.63 % / + 39.89 %)
3 • Nuclear reactors, boilers & mechanical appliances (68.24 % / + 16.45 %)
4 • Vehicles other than railway and parts & accessories (97.25 % / + 15.68 %)
5 • Iron & steel (54.00 % / + 22.90 %)

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

Imports / Top 5
Principal chapter with % /

products	77.09	54,950.0	19.8
2 • Mineral products	69.25	49,364.9	17.8
3 • Machinery & mechanical appliances	48.48	34,554.3	12.4
4 • Transport equipment	38.85	27,695.0	10.0
5 • Base metals & articles thereof	32.23	22,974.9	8.3
6 • Plastics, rubber & articles thereof	21.06	15,010.3	5.4
7 • Pearls, precious stones & metals	20.53	14,632.6	5.3
8 • Prepared foodstuffs & beverages	12.95	9,232.0	3.3
9 • Textiles & textile articles	11.78	8,393.3	3.0
10 • Vegetable products	11.46	8,171.7	2.9
11 • Optical & precision instruments	9.59	6,834.2	2.5
12 • Paper, paperboard & articles thereof	7.22	5,148.2	1.9
13 • Live animals & animal products	7.15	5,099.0	1.8
14 • Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5.82	4,151.3	1.5
15 • Non-classified articles (*)	4.40	3,134.3	1.1
16 • Stone, cement & ceramic - Glass	3.42	2,437.3	0.9
17 • Wood, cork & articles thereof	2.72	1,941.9	0.7
18 • Fats & oils (animal or vegetable)	2.35	1,676.5	0.6
19 • Footwear, headgear & umbrella's	2.34	1,664.6	0.6
20 • Hides, skins, leather & furskins	1.15	818.1	0.3
21 • Arms, ammunition & accessories	0.13	93.7	0.0
22 • Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	0.12	83.0	0.0
TOTAL	390.10	278,061.1	100,0

(*) Non classified in commercial statistics

Variation compared with the same period in 2010:

1 • Pharmaceutical products (37.04 % / - 19.71 %)
2 • Mineral fuels, mineral oils (92.26 % / + 41.08 %)
3 • Nuclear reactors, boilers & mechanical appliances (62.83 % / + 15.89 %)
4 • Vehicles other than railway and parts & accessories (96.80 % / + 8.66 %)
5 • Iron & steel (44.98 % / + 32.07 %)