



BELGIUM / Foreign trade's figures

12 MONTHS 2011
(Provisory figures)

Overall developments 2010/2011

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance	Cover (%)
2010 (12 m.)	408.49	393.02	15.47	103.9 %
2011 (12 m.)	478.43	465.77	12.66	102.7 %

(In USD billions) (Average values: 12 m. 2010: USD 1 = EUR 0.7548 / 12 m. 2011: USD 1 = EUR 0.7178)

Developments in the European Union - 2010/2011

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance	Cover (%)
2010 (12 m.)	298.30	272.31	25.99	109.5 %
2011 (12 m.)	345.20	317.44	27.76	108.7 %

(In USD billions)

Geographical breakdown of the exports & imports / 12 months 2011

Exports	USD billions	Total (% of)	Imports	USD billions	Total (% of)
EUROPE	371.38	77.6	EUROPE	347.00	74.5
• European Union	345.20	72.2	• European Union	317.44	68.2
-- Euro area countries (*)	284.15	59.4	-- Euro area countries (*)	266.04	57.1
-- Other EU-countries (**)	61.05	12.8	-- Other EU-countries (**)	51.39	11.0
• Europe outside EU (***)	26.18	5.5	• Europe outside EU (***)	29.57	6.3
• Other Europ. countries	2.12	0.4	• Other Europ. countries	0.77	0.2
ASIA	49.70	10.4	ASIA	63.73	13.7
- India	11.10	2.3	- PR of China	20.17	4.3
AMERICA	34.85	7.3	AMERICA	41.30	8.9
- USA	24.27	5.1	- USA	26.41	5.7
AFRICA	13.67	2.9	AFRICA	11.19	2.4
- South Africa	2.28	0.5	- South Africa	2.63	0.6
OCEANIA	2.76	0.6	OCEANIA	2.50	0.5
- Australia	2.39	0.5	- Australia	1.91	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	6.07	1.3	Miscellaneous	0.04	0.0
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Belgium's top 20 customers / 12 months 2011

Exports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	Total (%)
1 - Germany	91.27	62,515.7	18.2
2 - France	78.60	56,419.9	16.4
3 - Netherlands	58.19	41,765.9	12.2
4 - United Kingdom	33.37	23,953.6	7.0
5 - USA	24.27	17,421.2	5.1
6 - Italy	21.44	15,392.8	4.5
7 - Spain	12.73	9,138.2	2.7
8 - India	11.10	7,968.0	2.3
9 - PR of China	10.23	7,341.1	2.1
10 - GD of Luxembourg	8.66	6,217.5	1.8
11 - Poland	7.74	5,556.2	1.6
12 - Switzerland	7.40	5,314.9	1.5
13 - Sweden	6.79	4,871.7	1.4
14 - Turkey	6.55	4,702.2	1.4
15 - Russian Federation	6.51	4,676.2	1.4
16 - Japan	4.71	3,379.5	1.0
17 - Austria	4.58	3,288.1	1.0
18 - Czech Republic	3.98	2,856.2	0.8
19 - Brazil	3.54	2,537.7	0.7
20 - Hong Kong	3.44	2,471.6	0.7

*Top 20 / Evolution
(Compared with the
period "11 months
2011"):*

+ 1 : Turkey
- 1 : Russian Federation

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

Belgium's top 20 suppliers / 12 months 2011

Imports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	Total (%)
1 - Netherlands	91.75	65,859.8	19.7
2 - Germany	68.77	49,365.5	14.8
3 - France	49.54	35,560.6	10.6
4 - United Kingdom	27.72	19,895.6	6.0
5 - USA	26.41	18,954.2	5.7
6 - Ireland	20.75	14,894.7	4.5
7 - PR of China	20.17	14,480.2	4.3
8 - Italy	13.55	9,726.7	2.9
9 - Russian Federation	12.40	8,903.3	2.7
10 - Japan	9.17	6,579.6	2.0
11 - Spain	9.11	6,538.9	2.0
12 - Sweden	9.05	6,494.7	1.9
13 - India	7.44	5,338.4	1.6
14 - Norway	6.32	4,533.5	1.4
15 - Switzerland	5.13	3,684.6	1.1
16 - Poland	4.42	3,173.5	0.9
17 - Turkey	4.32	3,100.1	0.9

*Top 20 / Evolution
(Compared with the
period "11 months
2011"):*

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18 - Czech Republic	4.05	2,907.1	0.9
19 - Singapore	4.03	2,893.0	0.9
20 - Brazil	3.75	2,690.6	0.8

(Total 20 countries: 85.6 % of the Belgian import)

▣ Sectoral breakdown of the exports & imports / 12 months 2011

Exports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR millions	Total (%)
1 • Chemicals & pharmaceuticals products	111.36	79,934.1	23.3
2 • Mineral products	54.67	39,240.9	11.4
3 • Machinery & mechanical appliances	53.17	38,164.2	11.1
4 • Transport equipment	45.68	32,787.8	9.5
5 • Base metals & articles thereof	42.15	30,257.0	8.8
6 • Plastics, rubber & articles thereof	40.16	28,827.3	8.4
7 • Pearls, precious stones & metals	26.11	18,742.0	5.5
8 • Prepared foodstuffs & beverages	20.84	14,962.4	4.4
9 • Textiles & textile articles	16.22	11,640.3	3.4
10 • Optical & precision instruments	11.71	8,408.3	2.4
11 • Vegetable products	10.70	7,680.7	2.2
12 • Live animals & animal products	10.08	7,235.2	2.1
13 • Paper, paperboard & articles thereof	8.36	6,001.3	1.7
14 • Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5.49	3,942.2	1.1
15 • Non-classified articles (*)	5.02	3,606.4	1.1
16 • Stone, cement & ceramic - Glass	5.02	3,601.9	1.0
17 • Footwear & headgear	4.48	3,215.7	0.9
18 • Wood, cork & articles thereof	2.94	2,108.0	0.6
19 • Fats & oils (animal or vegetable)	2.25	1,617.7	0.5
20 • Hides, skins, leather & furskins	1.55	1,110.0	0.3
21 • Arms, ammunition & accessories	0.37	268.0	0.1
22 • Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	0.09	62.8	0.0
TOTAL	478.43	343,414.2	100,0

(*) Non classified in commercial statistics

Exports / Top 5
Principal chapter with % / Variation compared with the same period last year

- 1 • Pharmaceutical products (43.09 % / - 7.17 %)
- 2 • Mineral fuels, mineral oils (94.62 % / + 35.98 %)
- 3 • Nuclear reactors & mechanical appliances (67.97 % / + 17.63 %)
- 4 • Vehicles other than railway and parts & accessories (96.93 % / + 16.03 %)
- 5 • Iron & steel (53.55 % / + 20.72 %)

Imports / Ranking	USD billions	EUR	Total (%)
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1 • Chemicals & pharmaceutical products	91.00	65,318.3	19.5
2 • Mineral products	82.82	59,448.3	17.8
3 • Machinery & mechanical appliances	58.88	42,261.4	12.6
4 • Transport equipment	47.53	34,115.0	10.2
5 • Base metals & articles thereof	37.66	27,033.3	8.1
6 • Plastics, rubber & articles thereof	24.81	17,809.3	5.3
7 • Pearls, precious stones & metals	23.97	17,208.9	5.1
8 • Prepared foodstuffs & beverages	15.87	11,391.3	3.4
9 • Textiles & textile articles	13.76	9,877.3	3.0
10 • Vegetable products	13.67	9,813.6	2.9
11 • Optical & precision instruments	11.67	8,373.9	2.5
12 • Live animals & animal products	8.69	6,236.9	1.9
13 • Paper, paperboard & articles thereof	8.63	6,193.2	1.9
14 • Miscellaneous manufactured articles	6.97	5,002.8	1.5
15 • Non-classified articles (*)	5.34	3,833.2	1.1
16 • Stone, cement & ceramic - Glass	4.06	2,911.0	0.9
17 • Wood, cork & articles thereof	3.23	2,319.1	0.7
18 • Fats & oils (animal or vegetable)	2.83	2,031.0	0.6
19 • Footwear, headgear & umbrella's	2.75	1,975.6	0.6
20 • Hides, skins, leather & furskins	1.35	965.6	0.3
21 • Arms, ammunition & accessories	0.16	112.3	0.0
22 • Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	0.13	96.5	0.0
TOTAL	465.77	334,327.7	100,0

(*) Non classified in commercial statistics

Imports / Top 5
Principal chapter with % / Variation compared with the same period last year

1 • Pharmaceutical products (37.27 % / - 17.34 %)
2 • Mineral fuels, mineral oils (92.30 % / + 34.48 %)
3 • Nuclear reactors & mechanical appliances (62.75 % / + 15.48 %)
4 • Vehicles other than railway and parts & accessories (95.53 % / + 7.69 %)
5 • Iron & steel (44.40 % / + 28.52 %)