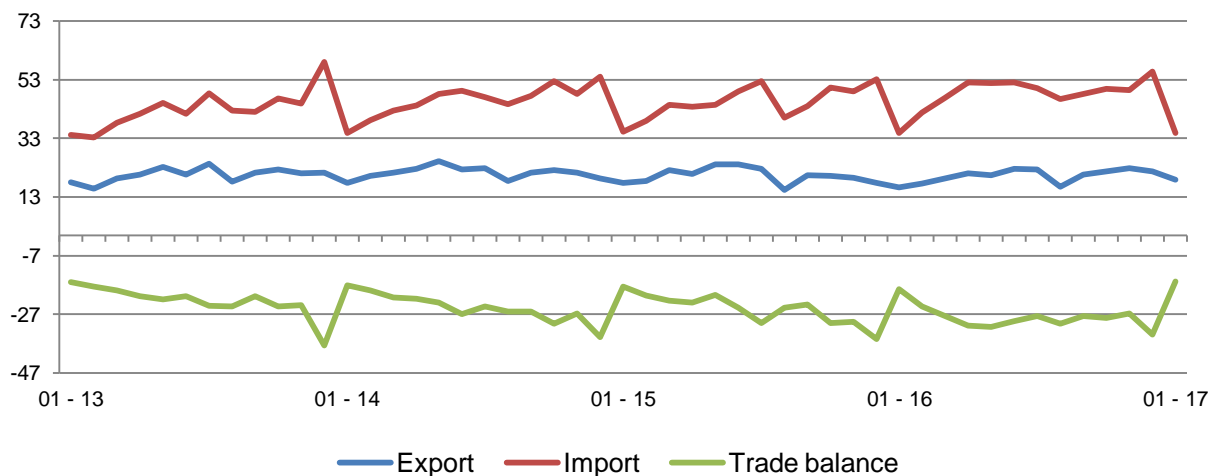


# Foreign Trade in Goods

## January, 2017

**Tirana, February 17, 2017:** On January 2017 the value of exports was 19 billion lekë, increasing by 15.5% compared with the same period of previous year and decreasing by 13.3 % compared with December 2016. The value of imports in January 2017, was 35 billion lekë, decreasing by 0.3 % compared with the same period of previous year and by 37.6 % compared with December 2016. This month the trade deficit is 16 billion lekë signing an decrease by 14.2 % compared with December 2015 and an increase by 53.2 % compared with December 2016.

Fig.1 Flow of goods, January 2013 – January 2017 (billionALL)



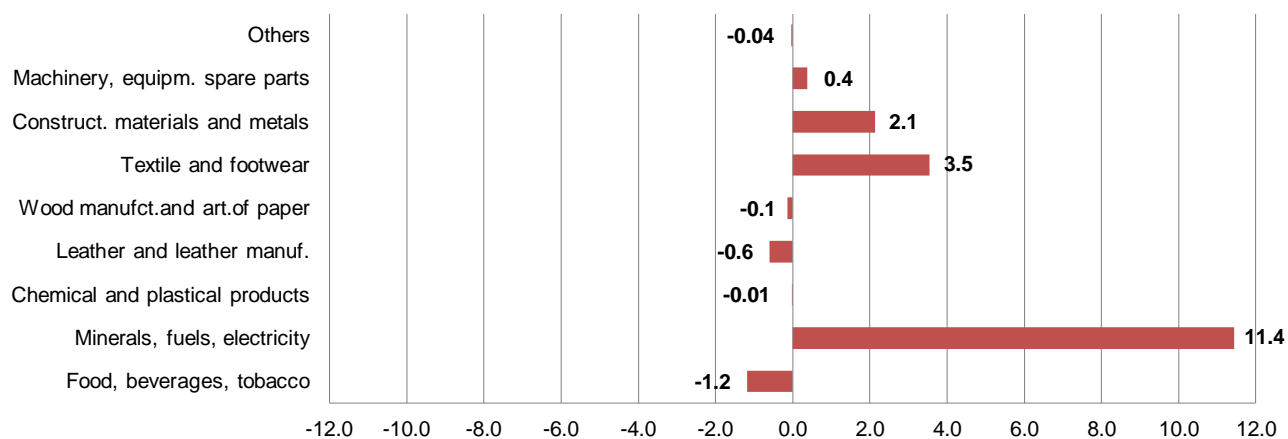
### The influence of the main groups in the annual change in exports:

In annual increase of exports by 15.5 % this month a positive contribution was given by the groups: "Minerals, fuels, electricity" with +11.4 percentage point, "Textile and footwear" with +3.5 percentage point, "Construction materials and metals" with +2.1 percentage point. While a negative contribution was given by the group: "Food, beverage, tobacco" with -1.2 percentage point, "Leather and leather manufactories" with -0.6 percentage point, "Wood manufactured and article of paper" with -0.1 percentage point

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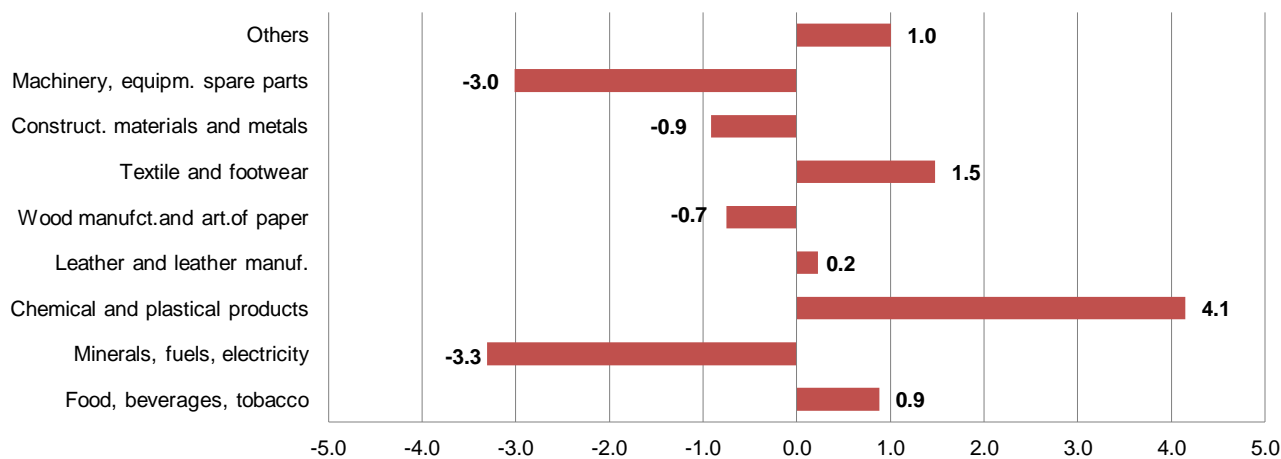
**Fig.2 Annual impact of groups in exports**



**The influence of the main groups in the annual change in imports:**

In annual decrease of imports by 0.2 % in January 2017 a negative contribution was given by the groups: “Minerals, fuels, electricity “with -3.3 percentage points“, “Machinery, equipment and spare parts” with -3.3 percentage point, “Construction materials and metals”with -0.9 percentage points. While a positive contribution was given by the group: “Chemical and plastical products” with +4.1 percentage point, “Textile and footwear” with +1.5 percentage point, “Food, beverage, tobacco” with -0.9 percentage points“.

**Fig.3 Annual impact of groups in imports**

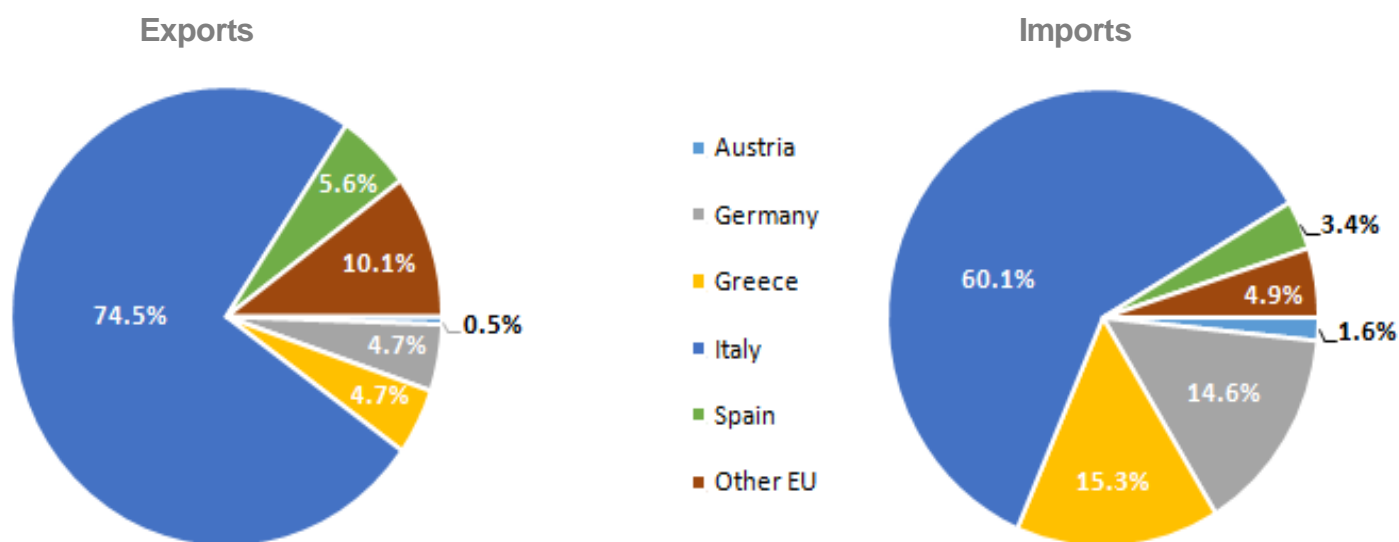


**The performance of trade in goods by partner countries**

In January 2017, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of exports, compared to January 2016 are: Italy with (13.0 %), Kosovo with (31.5 %) and Spain with (224.9 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of exports are: Hungary with (-30.2 %), Netherlands with (-1.3 %) and Austria with (-4.6 %).

In January 2017, countries with which Albania has had the highest increase of imports, compared to January 2016 are: Germany with (11.7 %), United State with (27.2 %) and Russia with (5.2 %). While, countries with which has had a decrease of imports are: Italy with (-10.0 %), China with (-1.8 %) and Turkey with (-3.6 %).

**Fig.4 Foreign Trade in Goods by several EU countries, January 2017**



Trade with the EU countries is 61.1 % of total trade. In January 2017, exports to EU countries occupied 84.4 % of total export and imports from EU countries occupied 48.6 % of total import. The main trade partners remain Italy (41.0 %), China (7.4 %), Greece (6.2 %) and Germany (6.0 %).

**Tab. 1 Flow of goods (billion ALL)**

Years	Months	Exports	Annual Change (%)	Imports	Annual Change (%)	Trade Balance	Percentage of cover
2000		37	-23.5	157	-1.5	-120	23.6
2001		44	19.1	190	21.0	-146	23.2
2002		47	7.7	210	10.6	-163	22.6
2003		54	14.7	226	7.4	-171	24.1
2004		62	14.0	236	4.5	-174	26.3
2005		66	6.0	262	11.1	-196	25.1
2006		77	17.6	299	14.1	-222	25.9
2007		97	25.5	376	25.8	-279	25.8
2008		113	15.8	440	16.9	-327	25.6
2009		105	-7.2	429	-2.5	-324	24.4
2010		162	54.6	478	11.4	-316	33.8
2011		197	21.9	544	13.9	-347	36.2
2012		213	8.2	528	-2.9	-315	40.3
2013		246	15.7	517	-2.1	-271	47.6
2014		256	3.8	552	6.7	-297	46.3
2015		243	-4.9	545	-1.4	-301	44.7
2016		243	0.1	579	6.4	-336	42.0
2014	01 - 14	18	-1.4	35	2.2	-17	51.2
	02 - 14	20	27.9	39	17.5	-19	51.8
	03 - 14	21	10.4	42	11.1	-21	50.1
	04 - 14	23	10.3	44	6.8	-22	51.3
	05 - 14	25	9.1	48	6.9	-23	52.5
	06 - 14	22	8.3	49	18.9	-27	45.6
	07 - 14	23	-5.7	47	-2.5	-24	48.6
	08 - 14	19	2.3	45	5.2	-26	41.7
	09 - 14	21	-0.2	47	12.5	-26	45.0
	10 - 14	22	-0.2	52	12.3	-30	42.5
	11 - 14	21	1.8	48	7.1	-27	44.5
	12 - 14	19	-9.9	54	-8.4	-35	35.7
2015	01 - 15	18	-0.6	35	0.9	-17	50.4
	02 - 15	18	-9.4	39	-0.8	-20	47.3
	03 - 15	22	4.1	44	4.6	-22	49.9
	04 - 15	21	-8.5	44	-1.4	-23	47.6
	05 - 15	24	-4.8	44	-8.0	-20	54.3
	06 - 15	24	7.4	49	-0.8	-25	49.3
	07 - 15	23	-1.6	52	11.1	-30	43.0
	08 - 15	15	-17.3	40	-10.0	-25	38.3
	09 - 15	20	-4.3	44	-7.1	-24	46.3
	10 - 15	20	-9.3	50	-4.2	-30	40.2
	11 - 15	19	-8.9	49	1.9	-30	39.7
	12 - 15	18	-7.6	53	-1.7	-35	33.5
2016	01 - 16	16	-7.8	35	-1.0	-18	47.0
	02 - 16	18	-4.4	42	7.6	-24	42.0
	03 - 16	19	-12.7	47	5.6	-28	41.2
	04 - 16	21	1.7	52	19.0	-31	40.7
	05 - 16	21	-14.8	52	16.7	-31	39.6
	06 - 16	23	-6.4	52	6.2	-29	43.5
	07 - 16	23	-0.2	50	-4.5	-28	44.9
	08 - 16	16	6.9	47	15.9	-30	35.3
	09 - 16	21	0.9	48	9.3	-28	42.8
	10 - 16	22	7.3	50	-0.8	-28	43.5
	11 - 16	23	17.5	50	1.0	-27	46.2
	12 - 16	22	22.6	56	4.9	-34	39.1
2017	01 - 17	19	15.5	35	-0.2	-16	54.4

**Tab.2 Foreign trade in goods by partner countries (million ALL)**

	Exports		Imports	
	January 2016	January 2017	January 2016	January 2017
<b>EU countries</b>	<b>12,142</b>	<b>15,757</b>	<b>17,528</b>	<b>16,924</b>
Austria	90	86	188	269
United Kingdom	30	38	209	314
Germany	624	735	2,216	2,475
Greece	675	735	2,597	2,591
Italy	10,383	11,737	11,309	10,176
Spain	271	879	501	583
Croatia	35	41	254	258
Others of EU	35	1,505	254	258
China	363	601	3,421	3,361
Kosovo	716	941	225	351
Macedonia	180	278	368	342
Russia	-	-	703	740
USA	97	149	662	842
Turkey	99	107	2,797	2,697
Ukraine	12	80	110	289
Switzerland	73	75	604	436
Others	2,698	689	8,460	8,811
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,380</b>	<b>18,677</b>	<b>34,879</b>	<b>34,793</b>

**Tab.3 Foreign trade by group of goods (million ALL)**

Group of goods	Exports		Imports	
	January 2016	January 2017	January 2016	January 2017
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,380</b>	<b>18,922</b>	<b>34,879</b>	<b>34,793</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	1,463	1,270	6,429	6,735
Minerals, fuels, electricity	2,048	3,922	4,542	3,389
Chemical and plastical products	247	245	3,929	5,375
Leather and leather manuf.	275	177	1,018	1,097
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	591	569	1,323	1,062
Textile and footwear	8,439	9,020	4,875	5,390
Construct. materials and metals	2,023	2,371	3,754	3,435
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	819	880	8,056	7,005
Others	475	467	954	1,303

**Tab. 4 Exports of group of goods and main partners (Jan. 2016, Jan. 2017)****(million ALL)**

Group of goods	Italy		Kosovo		Spain		Germany	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,383</b>	<b>11,737</b>	<b>716</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>879</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>735</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	682	463	144	111	45	56	98	100
Minerals, fuels, electricity	488	1,735	130	440	-	641	13	148
Chemical and plastical products	121	87	46	60	-	0	5	0
Leather and leather manuf.	254	153	-	-	-	1	-	0
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	462	444	18	17	1	1	4	12
Textile and footwear	6,609	7,020	2	8	155	172	419	422
Construct. materials and metals	964	1,056	242	201	63	7	43	4
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	563	553	43	27	2	-	33	34
Others	241	226	92	78	4	0	9	15

**Tab. 5 Imports of group of goods and main partners (Jan. 2016, Jan. 2017)****(million ALL)**

Group of goods	Italy		China		Turkey		Greece	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,309</b>	<b>10,176</b>	<b>3,421</b>	<b>3,361</b>	<b>2,797</b>	<b>2,697</b>	<b>2,597</b>	<b>2,591</b>
Food, beverages, tobacco	1,074	1,046	36	58	313	376	950	789
Minerals, fuels, electricity	1,494	1,026	1	1	30	130	286	453
Chemical and plastical products	820	1,042	304	384	412	399	400	359
Leather and leather manuf.	865	899	44	41	12	21	7	1
Wood manufct.and art. of paper	402	347	48	88	218	40	160	148
Textile and footwear	2,734	2,784	501	755	868	930	208	225
Construct. materials and metals	1,115	1,047	803	450	389	402	351	398
Machinery, equipm. spare parts	2,582	1,691	1,485	1,243	464	296	137	90
Others	224	293	201	341	92	103	98	129

# DEFINITIONS

Exports are goods destined to a third country, placed under customs export or outward processing arrangements or re-exported following inward processing.

The FOB (free on board) value of exports of goods is the value of the goods at the exporter's customs frontier.

Imports are goods arrived from a third country and are directly placed, or are left in warehouse, under customs procedure of release for free circulation, inward processing or processing under customs control.

The cost, insurance and freight (CIF) price is the price of a good delivered at the frontier of the importing country, or the price of a service delivered to resident, before the payment of any import duties or other taxes on imports or trade and transport margins within the country.

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