

International Trade Statistics October 2017

Exports and imports increased by 11.8% and 21.4% respectively, in nominal terms

In **October 2017**, exports and imports of goods recorded year-on-year nominal growth rates of +11.8% and +21.4% respectively (+5.7% and +8.5% in the same order, in September 2017).

Excluding *Fuels and lubricants*, exports increased by 13.0% and imports grew by 19.9% (+4.1% and +7.9% respectively, in September 2017).

The deficit of trade balance amounted to EUR 1,536 million in **October 2017**, i.e. increasing by EUR 613 million when compared with October 2016. Excluding *Fuels and lubricants*, the trade balance stood at EUR -1,066 million, corresponding to an increase of EUR 409 million in the trade deficit compared with October 2016.

In the **quarter ended in October 2017**, exports and imports of goods grew by 10.2% and 14.1% respectively, vis-àvis the quarter ended in October 2016.

# **GLOBAL RESULTS**

**In October 2017, as regards year-on-year rates of change**, exports increased by 11.8% (+5.7% in September 2017), mainly due to the 14.1% increase recorded in Intra-EU trade (+4.9% in September 2017). Imports increased by 21.4% (+8.5% in September 2017), mostly as a result of the evolution of Intra-EU imports which grew by 16.9% (+8.6% in September 2017).

**Excluding** *Fuels and lubricants*, in year-on-year terms, exports increased by 13.0% and imports grew by 19.9% in **October 2017** (+4.1% and +7.9% respectively, in September 2017).

The acceleration, both in exports and imports, partially reflected calendar effects, given that in September and October there were one less working day and one more working day, respectively, in comparison with the same months of 2016.

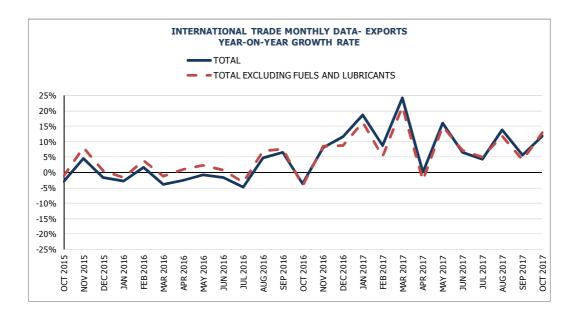
**In October 2017, vis-à-vis the preceding month**, exports increased by 4.4% mostly reflecting the evolution in exports to Extra-EU countries and imports grew by 9.0% due to the behaviour of both types of trade.

**In the quarter ended in October 2017**, exports increased by 10.2% and imports grew by 14.1% vis-à-vis the quarter ended in October 2016 (+7.5% and +11.3% respectively, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2017).

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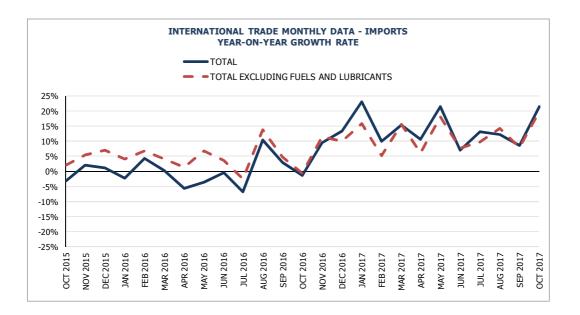
EXPORTS								
			TOTAL		TOTAL	EXCLUDING F	TOTAL QUARTER ENDED IN:	
YEAR	MONTH		GROWTH	RATE (%)		GROWTH	RATE (%)	GROWTH RATE (%)
		€ Million	Year-on- year	Month-to- month	€ Million	Year-on- year	Month-to- month	Year-on-year
2015	OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER	4,496 4,316 3,633	-3.0 4.6 -1.6	9.0 -4.0 -15.8	4,200 4,044 3,412	-1.2 8.0 0.7	9.2 -3.7 -15.6	-0.1 0.8 -0.1
	TOTAL	50,022	0.8		47,016	2.3		
2016	JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER	3,657 4,009 4,219 4,116 4,195 4,459 4,459 4,464 3,463	-2.7 1.7 -3.8 -2.6 -0.7 -1.7 -4.8 4.9 6.5 -3.6 8.0 11.6	0.7 9.6 5.3 -2.5 1.9 6.3 0.1 -22.4 26.8 -1.4 7.6 -13.0	3,440 3,816 4,037 3,919 3,960 4,175 4,195 3,211 4,144 4,022 4,385 3,713	-1.6 4.0 -1.1 1.0 2.3 0.9 -3.3 7.0 7.7 -4.2 8.4 8.8	0.8 10.9 5.8 -2.9 1.0 5.4 0.5 -23.5 29.1 -2.9 9.0 -15.3	0.3 -0.8 -1.7 -1.7 -2.4 -1.7 -2.5 -1.2 1.7 2.2 3.5 4.9
2017	JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER	4,344 4,356 5,241 4,122 4,873 4,751 4,662 3,943 4,642 4,845	18.8 8.7 24.2 0.2 16.2 6.5 4.4 13.9 5.7 11.8	7.1 0.3 20.3 -21.3 18.2 -2.5 -1.9 -15.4 17.7 4.4	3,999 4,012 4,905 3,817 4,549 4,472 4,402 3,595 4,314 4,545	16.3 5.1 21.5 -2.6 14.9 7.1 4.9 12.0 4.1 13.0	7.7 0.3 22.3 -22.2 19.2 -1.7 -1.6 -18.3 20.0 5.4	12.5 12.9 17.3 11.1 13.6 7.7 8.9 7.8 7.5 10.2





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2015	OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER	5,329 5,030 4,840	-3.3 2.1 1.1	1.7 -5.6 -3.8	4,706 4,471 4,293	2.0 5.3 7.1	1.9 -5.0 -4.0	-0.7 -0.5 -0.1	
	TOTAL	61,243	1.5		55,105	5.1			
2016	JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER	4,347 4,709 5,319 4,891 5,171 5,409 5,075 4,674	-2.2 4.4 0.3 -5.7 -3.6 -0.3 -6.7 10.3 3.0 -1.4 9.5 13.4	-10.2 8.3 13.0 -8.1 5.7 4.6 -6.2 -7.9 15.4 -2.6 4.9 -0.4	3,980 4,317 4,830 4,496 4,732 4,860 4,600 4,063 4,840 4,679 4,986 4,722	4.2 6.8 4.0 1.4 6.8 3.7 -2.6 13.8 4.8 -0.6 11.5 10.0	-7.3 8.5 11.9 -6.9 5.2 2.7 -5.4 -11.7 19.1 -3.3 6.6 -5.3	0.4 1.1 0.8 -0.5 -3.0 -3.2 -3.5 0.4 1.5 3.5 3.6 6.9	
2017	JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER	5,348 5,177 6,142 5,415 6,279 5,792 5,743 5,251 5,854 6,381	23.0 10.0 15.5 10.7 21.4 7.1 13.2 12.3 8.5 21.4	-2.6 -3.2 18.6 -11.8 16.0 -7.8 -0.8 -8.6 11.5 9.0	4,610 4,540 5,588 4,770 5,592 5,240 5,051 4,642 5,221 5,611	15.8 5.2 15.7 6.1 18.2 7.8 9.8 14.2 7.9 19.9	-2.4 -1.5 23.1 -14.6 17.2 -6.3 -3.6 -8.1 12.5 7.5	15.0 15.2 15.9 12.2 16.0 13.0 13.8 10.7 11.3 14.1	



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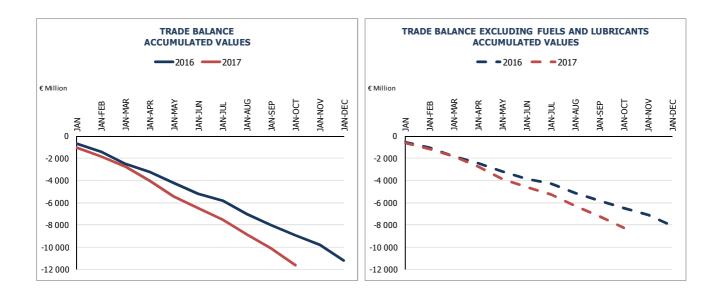
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	TRADE BALANCE								
		TOTAL			TOTAL	EXCLUDING F	TOTAL QUARTER ENDED IN:		
YEAR	MONTH		GROWTH	(10 <sup>6</sup> Eur)		GROWTH	(10 <sup>6</sup> Eur)	GROWTH (10 <sup>6</sup> Eur)	
		€ Million	Year-on- year	Month-to- month	€ Million	Year-on- year	Month-to- month	Year-on-year	
2015	OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER	-833 -715 -1,207	39 85 -112	281 118 -492	-506 -427 -881	-143 74 -263	268 79 -454	87 189 12	
	TOTAL	-11,221	-510		-8,089	-1,625			
2016	JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER	-690 -700 -1,100 -775 -977 -950 -611 -1,211 -1,001 -923 -850 -1,433	-7 -131 -185 187 165 -62 140 -278 113 -90 -135 -226	517 -10 -400 325 -202 27 339 -600 210 78 73 73 -583	-540 -501 -792 -577 -771 -685 -406 -853 -697 -657 -601 -1,009	-215 -130 -232 -24 -209 -135 -20 -284 77 -151 -174 -128	341 39 -291 215 -194 86 280 -447 156 40 56 -408	-34 -250 -323 -129 167 290 243 -200 -26 -256 -113 -451	
2017	JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER	-1,004 -821 -901 -1,293 -1,405 -1,041 -1,081 -1,308 -1,212 -1,536	-313 -121 199 -518 -429 -91 -470 -97 -211 -613	429 182 -79 -392 -113 365 -40 -227 96 -324	-610 -528 -683 -953 -1,043 -768 -649 -1,047 -907 -1,066	-70 -27 109 -376 -272 -83 -243 -194 -210 -409	399 82 -155 -270 -90 275 119 -398 140 -159	-674 -660 -236 -440 -747 -1,037 -990 -658 -778 -921	







# **BROAD ECONOMIC CATEGORIES**

In October 2017, with regard to both exports and imports, almost all economic categories recorded increases compared to the same month of 2016, with the emphasis on the increases in Industrial Supplies (corresponding to +17.1% in exports and +22.8% in imports). Fuels and lubricants should also be mentioned having recorded a slight decline (-3.4%) in exports but a steep increase in imports (+33.6%).

EXPORTS BY BEC								
		REFERE	NCE MONTH		QUARTER ENDED IN:			
BROAD ECONOMIC CATEGORIES		€ Million		GROWTH RATE	€ Million			GROWTH RATE
	ОСТ 2017	OCT 2016	GROWTH	%	ОСТ 2017	OCT 2016	GROWTH	%
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	576	516	59	11.5	1,551	1.476	75	5.1
PRIMARY PROCESSED	177 398	147 369	31 29	20.8 7.8	517 1,034	450	67 8	14.9 0.8
INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED	1,559	1.332	228	17.1	4,234	3,802	432	11.4
PRIMARY PROCESSED	1,335 113 1,446	98 1,234	15 212	15.7 17.2	325 3,909	269 3,533	56 375	20.9 10.6
FUELS AND LUBRICANTS PRIMARY PROCESSED	299 1 299	310 Ə 310	-11 Ə -11	-3.4 106.5 -3.5	975 1 974	811 1 810	164 Ə 165	20.3 -13.9 20.3
CAPITAL GOODS, AND PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF (1)	692	608	84	13.9	1,887	1,657	230	13.9
CAPITAL GOODS (1) PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	445 247	361 248	85 -1	23.5 -0.3	1,218 669	970 687	248 -18	25.5 -2.6
TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT AND PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF	777	676	101	14.9	2,163	1,839	324	17.6
PASSENGER MOTOR CARS OTHER PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	160 98 518	146 92 438	14 6 81	9.5 6.7 18.4	475 315 1,374	316 297 1,227	159 18 147	50.5 5.9 12.0
CONSUMER GOODS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED	938	886	51	5.8	2,610	2,593	17	0.6
DURABLE SEMI-DURABLE NON-DURABLE	145 509 283	114 480 293	31 29 -9	27.3 6.1 -3.2	352 1,470 788	307 1,432 854	45 38 -66	14.8 2.6 -7.8
GOODS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED	3	3	Ð	-0.3	9	9	Ð	0.5
(1) - EXCEPT TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT								

IMPORTS BY BEC								
		REFERE	NCE MONTH		QUARTER ENDED IN:			
BROAD ECONOMIC CATEGORIES		€ Million		GROWTH RATE	€ Million			GROWTH RATE
	ОСТ 2017	OCT 2016	GROWTH	%	ОСТ 2017	OCT 2016	GROWTH	%
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	832	711	121	17.0	2,420	2,273	148	6.5
PRIMARY PROCESSED	355 477	286 425	69 52	24.1 12.3	1,011 1,409	959 1,314	53 95	5.5 7.3
INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED	1,801	1,466	335	22.8	4,927	4,147	780	18.8
PRIMARY PROCESSED	198 1,604	120 1,347	78 257	65.1 19.1	519 4,408	378 3,769	140 639	37.1 17.0
FUELS AND LUBRICANTS PRIMARY PROCESSED	770 603 166	576 455 121	194 149 45	33.6 32.7 37.0	2,012 1,531 481	1,740 1,382 358	272 149 123	15.6 10.7 34.4
CAPITAL GOODS, AND PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF (1)	1,037	844	194	22.9	2,784	2,427	357	14.7
CAPITAL GOODS (1) PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	599 438	510 334	89 104	17.6 31.2	1,616 1,168	1,448 979	168 188	11.6 19.2
TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT AND PARTS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF	994	806	188	23.3	2,634	2,169	465	21.5
PASSENGER MOTOR CARS OTHER PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	396 156 442	327 141 338	68 15 104	20.8 10.8 30.9	995 486 1,154	887 388 893	107 97 261	12.1 25.0 29.2
CONSUMER GOODS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED DURABLE SEMI-DURABLE NON-DURABLE	946 160 368 418	851 153 339 359	95 7 29 59	11.2 4.9 8.4 16.5	2,706 456 1,121 1,129	2,564 415 1,061 1,089	142 42 61 40	5.6 10.1 5.7 3.7
GOODS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED (1) - EXCEPT TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	1	1	Ð	-27.0	2	3	-1	-18.8





## MAIN PARTNER COUNTRIES

In **October 2017**, having in consideration the main destination countries in 2016, compared with the same month of 2016, the emphasis was on the increases in **exports** to Spain and France (corresponding to +13.8% and +23.5% respectively).

With regard to **imports**, as far as the main partner countries in 2016 are concerned, in **October 2017**, vis-à-vis October 2016, imports from Germany and Spain presented the largest increases (corresponding to +30.6% and +11.4% respectively). Imports from Brazil were outstanding, increasing by 407.2%, mostly due to the purchase of *Agricultural products, Mineral fuels* and *Base metals*.

EXPORTS BY COUNTRIES AND ECONOMIC ZONES								
		REFERE	NCE MONTH		QUARTER ENDED IN:			
COUNTRIES AND ECONOMIC ZONES		€ Million		GROWTH RATE	€ Million		I	GROWTH RATE
	ОСТ 2017	OCT 2016	GROWTH	%	ОСТ 2017	ОСТ 2016	GROWTH	%
MAIN PARTNER COUNTRIES IN 2016:								
ES SPAIN	1,217	1,069	148	13.8	3,366	3,111	254	8.2
FR FRANCE	623	504	118	23.5	1,581	1,452	129	8.9
DE GERMANY	539	490	49	10.0	1,562	1,373	189	13.8
GB UNITED KINGDOM	342	317	25	7.8	921	841	80	9.5
US UNITED STATES	260	255	5	1.9	727	652	75	11.6
NL NETHERLANDS	200	147	53	35.9	533	441	92	20.8
Π ΠΑLΥ	150	154	-4	-2.5	395	383	12	3.2
AO ANGOLA	181	168	13	7.8	457	427	30	7.0
BE BELGIUM	103	110	-7	-6.6	286	303	-17	-5.6
MA MOROCCO	47	68	-21	-30.3	143	178	-34	-19.2
TOTAL EURO ZONE	2,971	2,603	368	14.2	8,135	7,419	716	9.6
TOTAL EUROPEAN UNION (28 MEMBERS STATES)	3,581	3,138	443	14.1	9,833	8,972	861	9.6
TOTAL EXTRA-EU	1,264	1,195	69	5.8	3,597	3,216	381	11.8

IMPORTS BY COUNTRIES AND ECONOMIC ZONES								
		REFERE	NCE MONTH		QUARTER ENDED IN:			
COUNTRIES AND ECONOMIC ZONES	€ Million G			GROWTH RATE	€ Million			GROWTH RATE
	OCT 2017	ОСТ 2016	GROWTH	%	OCT 2017	ОСТ 2016	GROWTH	%
MAIN PARTNER COUNTRIES IN 2016:								
ES SPAIN	1,995	1,791	204	11.4	5,554	5,099	454	8.9
DE GERMANY	888	680	208	30.6	2,384	1,982	402	20.3
FR FRANCE	475	427	47	11.0	1,272	1,143	128	11.2
IT ITALY	342	295	47	15.8	880	789	91	11.5
NL NETHERLANDS	343	259	84	32.4	991	781	210	26.9
GB UNITED KINGDOM	167	152	15	9.6	471	462	10	2.1
CN CHINA	193	151	42	27.9	568	470	98	21.0
BE BELGIUM	185	149	35	23.5	485	429	56	13.1
RU RUSSIA	152	75	77	102.1	396	285	112	39.2
BR BRAZIL	127	25	102	407.2	340	290	49	17.0
TOTAL EURO ZONE	4,389	3,750	639	17.0	11,998	10,630	1369	12.9
TOTAL EUROPEAN UNION (28 MEMBERS STATES)	4,839	4,139	700	16.9	13,223	11,749	1474	12.5
TOTAL EXTRA-EU	1,542	1,116	426	38.2	4,263	3,574	690	19.3

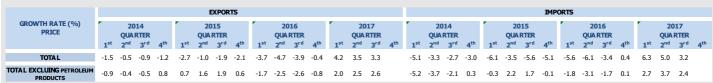




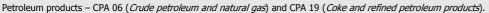
## UNIT VALUE INDICES FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN GOODS

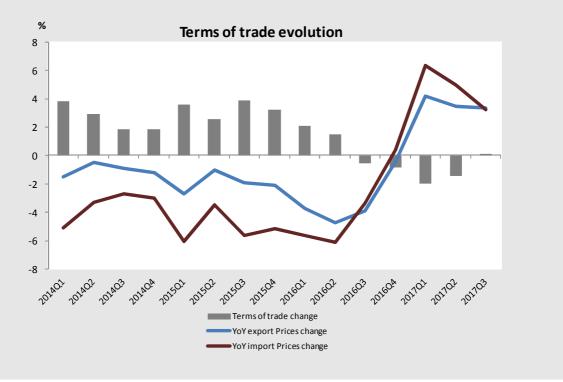
In compliance with the timetable defined for the dissemination of the Quarterly Unit Value Indices for International Trade, this press release makes available results for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2017 based on data from International Trade in Goods statistics for September 2017, on a 40 days basis (disseminated on November 9, 2017).

The results obtained from the current data show that the unit value index in both imports and exports presents a positive year-on-year rate of change. Compared with the previous quarter, there is a slight decline in the unit value index of exports and a steeper reduction with regard to imports. Contrary to the outcome of the last four quarters, data from the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2017 point to a very slight gain in terms of trade (relative price of exports in terms of imports).



NOTE:









## ABBREVIATIONS

- EU European Union
- CN Combined Nomenclature, 2015, 2016 and 2017 versions
- BEC Classification by Broad Economic Categories, third revision
- CPA Statistical classification of products by activity, version 2.1

## **CONVENTIONAL SIGNS**

ə – Value less than half the module of the unit used

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

- International Trade compiles the statistical information about the commercial trade of goods with the European Union (Intra-EU trade) and Third Countries (Extra-EU trade). In terms of Intra-EU trade statistics it includes adjustments for non-responses as well as for enterprises with transactions below the defined exemption thresholds (which exempts from providing statistical data a significant number of enterprises).
- 2. For simplification purposes, the terms associated to International Trade Statistics are narrowed to "imports" and "exports", however stating which market is being referred to (Intra-EU, Extra-EU and International Trade which includes the former two).
- 3. In this "Press Release" the following statistical data are used:

2015: Intra-EU trade - January to December definitive results (revised data on 08/09/2017);

- Extra-EU trade January to December definitive results (revised data on 08/09/2017).
- 2016: Intra-EU trade January to December provisional results;

Extra-EU trade - January to December provisional results.

2017: Intra-EU trade - January to October monthly preliminary results;

Extra-EU trade - January to October monthly preliminary results.

- 4. Due to rounding of numbers, totals might not correspond to the sum of the indicated parcels.
- 5. Month-to-month growth rate it compares the level of each variable between two consecutive months. Although being an indicator that allows an up to date follow-up of the evolution of each variable, the value of this variation rate is particularly influenced by seasonal fluctuations effects and from other specific effects in one or both compared months.
- **6.** Year-on-year growth rate it compares the level of each variable between the current period and the same period of the previous year. The evolution of this rate is less biased from seasonal fluctuations. However, it might be influenced by these types of effects when referred to a specific period of time.
- 7. Revisions: data available in this press release include regular revisions of the previous three months (according to the Revisions Policy applicable for the International Trade in Goods statistics) due to the replacement of estimations by new data from the enterprises and, in a lesser dimension, due to the corrections in data made by the reporting enterprises. The following table shows the impact of those revisions in the year-on-year growth rate (three months) disseminated in the previous press release:

YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH RATE (%) - JULY 2017 TO SEPTEMBER 2017							
	PREVIOUS PUBLICATION	CURRENT PUBLICATION					
EXPORTS	7.6	7.5					
IMPORTS	10.9	11.3					

8. The BEC nomenclature - Classification by Broad Economic Categories doesn't include the Gold for monetary use (CN 71082000) and Coins, including coins with legal tender (except medals, coins mounted in objects of personal adornment coins with character collectibles with numismatic value, waste and scrap) (CN 71189000). The sum of the various categories of the BEC may not match with total trade, due to these exclusions and also for confidentiality reasons.





#### 9. Unit value Indices for International Trade in Goods

The starting Universe corresponds to International Trade of Goods definitive results for 2014, revised definitive results for 2015 and preliminary results for 2016 to 2017.

Data used in the calculation of Quarterly Indices corresponds to International Trade data at 70 days, with the exception of the third quarter 2017, which is still the 40 day version (corresponding to the information of the previous dissemination – September 2017 – International Trade of goods.

For the purposes of calculating the Unit Value Indices, there are some exclusions in International Trade to be considered, with a low significance in total values, namely transactions with a statistical value lesser than EUR 1 000 and related according to the number of observations by enterprise/Economic Area/CN8, Chapters 98 and 99 of the CN and records with a net mass of less than 0.5 kg. However, the representativeness of the sample in each product group is guaranteed, reaching a total coverage of more than 80%.

The unit value indices are calculated at the most detailed level of information (CN8, around 9 500 level codes), and aggregated as *Paasche* indices (price) by CPA (Statistical classification of products by activity, version 2.1). They indicate the change over the same quarter of the previous year. It is also important to mention that these indices correspond to unit value indices rather than real effective price indices, thus reflecting apart from the changes in prices, also the changes in the composition and in the quality of the goods considered at the most detailed level of information.

In the future, the quarterly dissemination of these indices will occur in the International Trade Statistics regular press releases, and will include two versions of data (quarterly data at 40 and 70 days), taking into account the inclusion of the most updated data, following the bellow mentioned dissemination calendar:

REFERENCE PERIOD	VERSION	DISSEMINATION DATE
2 <sup>nd</sup> QUARTER	40 DAYS	08-09-2017
2017	70 DAYS	10-10-2017
3 <sup>rd</sup> QUARTER	40 DAYS	11-12-2017
2017	70 DAYS	09-01-2018
4 <sup>th</sup> QUARTER	40 DAYS	12-03-2018
2017	70 DAYS	09-04-2018
1 <sup>st</sup> QUARTER	40 DAYS	08-06-2018
2018	70 DAYS	10-07-2017

The quarterly indices regarding the period 2014-2017 are available in the annexed file to this press release, with data broken down by Statistical Classification of Products by Activity (CPA), including the corresponding value indices and the consequent volume indices.