

External trade in goods of Montenegro January - March 2019 ^(p)

The total external trade in goods of Montenegro for period January – March 2019 according to preliminary results is 617.5 million EUR, indicating the growth of 3.5% in comparison with the same period for previous year.

The value of **exports of goods** was 93.7 million EUR, and **import** was 523.8 million EUR. Compared with the same period of 2018, exports decreased 0.6%, and imports increased 4.3%.

The **coverage of import by export** was 17.9% and it was lower compared to the coverage for the same period of previous year (18.8%).

In the **structure of exports**, in accordance with the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC), the most present products were **Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material** (Section 6), in amount of 25.9 million EUR (consisted of: Non-ferrous metals – 16.8 million EUR, Iron and steel – 6.3 million EUR and other).

In the **structure of imports**, in accordance with the SITC, the most present products were **Machinery and transport equipment** (Section 7) with 126 million EUR (consisted of: Road vehicles – 42 million EUR, Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances– 22 million EUR and other).

Main trading partners in exports on an individual basis were: Serbia (22 million EUR), Hungary (12.4 million EUR) and Bosnia and Herzegovina (9.1 million EUR).

Main trading partners in imports on an individual basis were: Serbia (93.2 million EUR), Germany (50.6 million EUR) and China (48.7 million EUR). The highest external trade was with CEFTA parties and the EU member states.

Chart 1. Total external trade in goods by months, in millions EUR

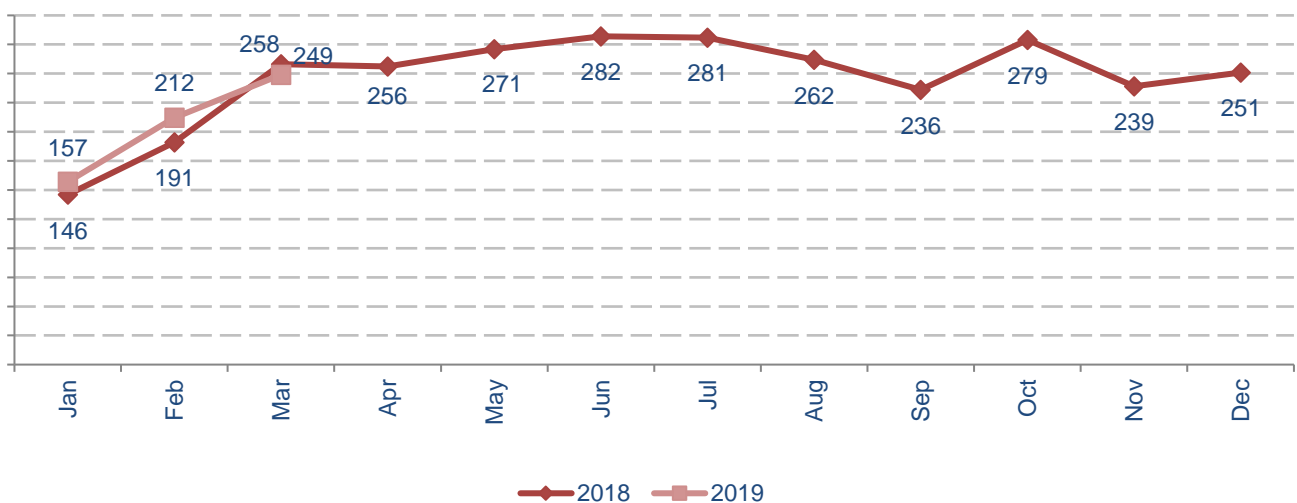


Table 1. External trade in goods of Montenegro by months

PERIOD	thous. EUR		
	IMPORT	EXPORT	TRADE BALANCE
2018			
January	120 542	25 918	-94 623
February	161 508	29 952	-131 556
March	220 005	38 318	-181 686
April	220 808	35 276	-185 532
May	240 774	30 302	-210 472
June	241 694	40 138	-201 555
July	250 941	30 271	-220 671
August	228 822	33 296	-195 526
September	205 730	30 508	-175 222
October	245 749	33 325	-212 424
November	200 470	37 943	-162 527
December	216 538	34 860	-181 678
2019			
January	128 802	28 221	-100 582
February	179 759	32 031	-147 728
	215 253	33 408	-181 845

Table 2. External trade in goods of Montenegro by the continents and selected countries

TRADING PARTNERS	EXPORT				IMPORT				TRADE BALANCE	
	Jan-Mar 2018		Jan-Mar 2019		Jan-Mar 2018		Jan-Mar 2019		Jan-Mar 2018	Jan-Mar 2019
	%	In thous.EUR	%	In thous.EUR	%	In thous.EUR	%	In thous.EUR	In thous.EUR	In thous.EUR
WORLD	100.0	94 189	100.0	93 660	100.0	502 055	100.0	523 814	-407 866	-430 154
Europe	91.7	86 342	96.0	89 960	79.4	398 402	82.8	433 719	-312 060	-343 759
EU	44.5	41 956	48.6	45 528	47.8	240 202	47.6	249 202	-198 246	-203 673
CEFTA	36.1	33 992	40.7	38 084	26.4	132 360	27.1	141 926	-98 368	-103 842
Africa	0.7	636	0.0	4	0.3	1 639	0.3	1 381	-1 002	-1 376
Asia	7.1	6 656	3.3	3 123	18.6	93 514	14.5	75 785	-86 858	-72 662
America	0.2	165	0.6	542	1.7	8 461	2.3	11 894	-8 296	-11 351
Oceania	0.4	390	0.0	30	0.0	40	0.2	1 034	350	-1 004
USA	0.1	123	0.5	456	0.8	4 235	1.3	6 713	-4 112	-6 257
China	6.8	6 392	2.6	2 409	14.0	70 426	9.3	48 691	-64 034	-46 281
Russia	0.4	410	0.4	354	0.2	1 004	0.2	1 294	-593	-940
Switzerland	2.3	2 179	2.9	2 696	1.2	6 182	1.8	9 267	-4 004	-6 571
Japan	0.0	40	0.1	118	0.8	4 209	0.9	4 620	-4 169	-4 502
Turkey	7.1	6 691	2.5	2 315	3.0	15 297	5.4	28 188	-8 606	-25 873
Brazil	0.0	0	0.0	17	0.3	1 416	0.3	1 790	-1 416	-1 774

Table 3. External trade in goods by EU member states and CEFTA parties

TRADING PARTNERS	EXPORT				IMPORT				TRADE BALANCE		
	%	In thous.EUR			%	In thous.EUR			In thous.EUR		
		2018	2018 Jan-Mar	2019 Jan-Mar		2018	2018 Jan-Mar	2019 Jan-Mar	2018	2018 Jan-Mar	2019 Jan-Mar
WORLD	100.0	400 107	94 189	93 660	100.0	2 553 580	502 055	523 814	-2 153 473	-407 866	-430 154
European Union	44.9	179 578	41 956	45 528	48.3	1 232 481	240 202	249 202	-1 052 903	-198 246	-203 673
Austria	2.1	8 544	695	663	1.7	44 637	7 336	8 046	-36 093	-6 641	-7 382
Belgium	0.2	902	207	53	0.5	11 984	2 590	4 929	-11 082	-2 383	-4 876
Bulgaria	0.8	3 066	1 135	818	0.6	14 298	2 335	2 869	-11 232	-1 200	-2 051
Czech Republic	4.4	17 415	3 545	7 461	1.3	33 394	7 009	7 934	-15 978	-3 465	-474
Denmark	0.9	3 503	2 938	658	0.3	6 716	1 079	3 576	-3 213	1 859	-2 918
Estonia	0.0	1	0	0	0.0	574	131	110	-573	-131	-109
Finland	0.1	278	3	255	0.1	3 181	457	1 702	-2 903	-454	-1 447
France	1.0	3 849	680	773	2.0	52 107	11 743	13 259	-48 258	-11 063	-12 486
Greece	1.1	4 274	52	1 055	6.4	164 472	24 547	22 638	-160 199	-24 495	-21 583
Netherlands	0.6	2 571	264	295	1.6	40 270	9 697	9 958	-37 699	-9 433	-9 664
Ireland	0.0	4	2	0	0.2	4 668	1 083	1 375	-4 664	-1 082	-1 375
Italy	3.5	13 866	3 347	3 491	7.4	189 977	36 606	36 818	-176 112	-33 258	-33 327
Cyprus	0.2	798	42	16	0.1	1 434	30	210	-636	12	-194
Latvia	0.0	15	2	0	0.0	372	54	135	-357	-52	-135
Lithuania	0.0	78	0	13	0.0	883	231	148	-805	-231	-135
Luxembourg	0.0	38	3	3	0.0	628	167	178	-590	-163	-176
Hungary	11.5	46 145	11 017	12 397	0.8	19 261	4 053	3 757	26 884	6 964	8 640
Malta	0.0	40	19	19	0.0	392	29	1	-351	-11	18
Germany	3.2	12 999	2 978	5 100	9.2	234 584	43 206	50 621	-221 585	-40 228	-45 521
Poland	4.4	17 540	3 928	3 269	1.8	45 383	8 585	9 385	-27 844	-4 656	-6 116
Portugal	0.0	6	0	1	0.2	4 156	658	789	-4 150	-658	-788
Croatia	0.9	3 657	662	567	6.0	152 898	30 721	30 128	-149 241	-30 059	-29 561
Romania	0.1	550	188	152	1.6	42 126	9 994	8 335	-41 577	-9 806	-8 182
Slovakia	0.0	15	6	1	0.3	8 454	1 731	1 546	-8 440	-1 725	-1 545
Slovenia	7.0	28 168	6 951	5 304	2.2	56 901	10 130	12 383	-28 733	-3 179	-7 079
Spain	0.1	532	3	110	1.7	44 334	8 965	9 001	-43 801	-8 963	-8 891
Sweden	0.9	3 466	917	1 239	1.0	24 526	12 401	3 204	-21 059	-11 484	-1 965
United Kingdom	1.8	7 259	2 373	1 815	1.2	29 871	4 634	6 168	-22 612	-2 261	-4 352
CEFTA	40.2	160 786	33 992	38 084	28.5	728 368	132 360	141 926	-567 582	-98 368	-103 842
Albania	3.2	12 925	2 372	2 574	1.7	42 921	7 996	8 778	-29 996	-5 624	-6 204
Bosnia and Herzegovina	7.7	30 906	6 608	9 128	6.1	155 563	31 659	32 843	-124 657	-25 052	-23 715
Moldova	0.0	1	0	0	0.0	369	78	256	-368	-78	-256
Macedonia	1.7	6 818	1 146	922	1.2	31 181	5 303	5 772	-24 363	-4 156	-4 850
Serbia	23.3	93 079	21 290	22 042	19.3	492 031	86 587	93 228	-398 952	-65 297	-71 186
Kosovo	4.3	17 057	2 577	3 419	0.2	6 304	738	1 049	10 753	1 839	2 370
Other countries	14.9	59 744	18 241	10 047	23.2	592 732	129 492	132 687	-532 988	-111 251	-122 640

Table 4. Export of Montenegro by SITC sections

BREAKDOWN BY SITC SECTIONS	2018	Index	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Index
	In thous. EUR	<u>2018</u> 2017	2018	2019	<u>Jan-Mar 19</u> Jan-Mar 18
0-9 TOTAL	400 107	107.7	94 189	93 660	99.4
0 Food and live animals	23 680	89.7	3 963	3 862	97.5
00 Live animals	54	84.3	13	32	239.7
01 Meat and meat preparations	10 796	97.0	2 042	2 276	111.5
02 Dairy products and eggs	235	71.0	81	8	9.4
03 Fish and preparations	55	69.9	15	1	4.7
04 Cereal and cereal products	605	9.8	118	88	74.7
05 Vegetables and fruit	8 922	166.7	804	435	54.1
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	70	79.6	6	15	257.9
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	2 023	86.3	728	421	57.8
08 Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	492	133.1	129	474	300 ¹
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	428	87.5	28	113	300 ¹
1 Beverages and tobacco	21 672	105.5	3 217	2 854	88.7
11 Beverages	19 794	100.3	3 085	2 170	70.3
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	1 877	228.4	132	685	300 ¹
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	81 329	79.2	21 085	18 021	85.5
21 Hides, skins and fur skins, raw	3 108	84.2	791	456	57.6
22 Oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
23 Crude rubber	5	0.0	1	3	300 ¹
24 Cork and wood	27 079	93.7	4 055	4 673	115.2
25 Pulp and waste paper	1 343	105.7	291	270	92.6
26 Textile fibers and their wastes	47	300 ¹	3	4	136.6
27 Crude fertilizers, and crude minerals	813	58.0	198	323	163.0
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	48 197	72.0	15 594	12 206	78.3
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	735	138.3	152	86	56.9
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	81 979	178.3	22 762	25 320	111.2
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	4 400	93.9	1 156	1 410	122.0
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	26 180	145.2	2 325	2 679	115.2
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	1	131.7	0	0	0.0
35 Electric current	51 399	220.8	19 281	21 231	110.1
4 Animal oils and fats	568	96.8	76	83	109.2
41 Animal oils and fats	409	100.5	72	55	76.7
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils	107	81.4	2	15	300 ¹
43 Animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed	52	107.4	3	14	300 ¹
5 Chemicals	29 578	168.3	5 481	6 397	116.7
51 Organic chemicals	32	159.4	8	0	2.3
52 Inorganic chemicals	1 233	181.1	179	296	165.6
53 Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials	86	54.5	5	10	200.1
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	21 269	181.3	4 007	4 713	117.6
55 Essential oils, perfume materials, toilet prep.	2 466	138.9	1 085	729	67.2
56 Fertilizers (other than those of group 272)	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
57 Plastics in primary forms	143	75.6	44	27	61.2
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	652	117.7	123	195	158.9
59 Chemicals and products n.e.s.	3 696	149.9	31	427	300 ¹

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BREAKDOWN BY SITC SECTIONS	2018	Index 2018	Jan-Mar 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Index Jan-Mar 19
	In thous. EUR	2017	In thous. EUR		Jan-Mar 18
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	107 193	103.1	27 869	25 921	93.0
61 Leather, leather manufactures and dressed fur skins	74	30.6	11	0	0.0
62 Rubber manufactures	70	99.5	21	33	153.4
63 Cork and wood manufactures	1 999	112.6	496	437	88.1
64 Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp	358	36.1	92	82	89.7
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	284	229.5	77	26	33.2
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures	3 926	91.5	827	701	84.8
67 Iron and steel	18 870	105.7	5 833	6 308	108.1
68 Non-ferrous metals	73 975	102.8	19 047	16 804	88.2
69 Manufactures of metals	7 637	113.7	1 465	1 532	104.6
7 Machinery and transport equipment	35 112	84.3	7 472	8 408	112.5
71 Power-generating machinery and equipment	382	112.3	68	44	65.1
72 Machinery specialized for particular industries	2 531	142.5	830	263	31.8
73 Metalworking machinery	257	74.4	23	103	300 ¹
74 General industrial machinery and equipment	11 506	94.9	2 881	3 200	111.1
75 Office machines and data-processing machines	553	111.9	135	65	47.7
76 Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	1 378	123.6	181	698	300 ¹
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances	4 883	108.1	1 560	841	53.9
78 Road vehicles	9 593	207.7	1 544	3 079	199.4
79 Other transport equipment	4 029	24.7	250	115	45.9
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	12 897	107.5	2 263	2 792	123.4
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary equipment	263	98.3	118	69	58.9
82 Furniture, and parts thereof	766	82.7	207	121	58.6
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	41	111.2	12	46	300 ¹
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1 343	156.6	264	365	138.0
85 Footwear	540	154.7	100	103	102.9
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments	617	85.6	85	164	194.4
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods	2 584	300 ¹	8	3	41.8
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	6 741	77.6	1 470	1 921	130.6
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC	6 100	0.0	0	0	0.0

¹Calculated index is higher than 300.0.

Table 5. Import of Montenegro by SITC sections

BREAKDOWN BY SITC SECTIONS	2018	Index 2018 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Index Jan-Mar 19 Jan-Mar 18
	In thous. EUR		In thous. EUR		
0-9 TOTAL	2 553 580	110.9	502 055	523 814	104.3
0 Food and live animals	443 299	104.1	83 112	88 624	106.6
00 Live animals	24 348	108.5	5 198	5 470	105.2
01 Meat and meat preparations	108 473	105.2	20 524	21 859	106.5
02 Dairy products and eggs	52 482	100.7	9 027	9 114	101.0
03 Fish and preparations	19 041	103.1	2 297	3 176	138.3
04 Cereal and cereal products	63 648	109.0	11 876	13 161	110.8
05 Vegetables and fruit	69 455	102.2	14 452	14 455	100.0
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	10 554	87.7	1 781	1 841	103.4
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	35 154	99.6	6 476	7 076	109.3
08 Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	18 943	111.8	4 133	4 038	97.7
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparat.	41 201	105.3	7 350	8 435	114.8
1 Beverages and tobacco	74 999	93.9	12 063	14 103	116.9
11 Beverages	64 905	101.0	10 757	11 745	109.2
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	10 094	64.4	1 306	2 358	180.5
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	50 209	118.6	10 698	11 026	103.1
21 Hides, skins and fur skins, raw	0	0.0	0	1	0.0
22 Oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits	2 460	169.2	518	292	56.3
23 Crude rubber	117	170.9	15	13	84.0
24 Cork and wood	5 098	106.1	679	1 079	159.0
25 Pulp and waste paper	8	66.7	0	11	300 ¹
26 Textile fibers and their wastes	498	131.2	34	132	300 ¹
27 Crude fertilizers, and crude minerals	3 621	120.6	649	650	100.2
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	30 738	123.5	6 886	6 452	93.7
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	7 668	99.1	1 918	2 398	125.0
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	273 437	106.9	40 768	48 926	120.0
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	715	103.4	189	232	122.7
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	224 697	131.0	33 987	31 255	92.0
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	11 026	113.0	2 063	2 148	104.1
35 Electric current	37 000	50.1	4 529	15 291	300 ¹
4 Animal oils and fats	14 034	100.6	2 437	1 638	67.2
41 Animal oils and fats	766	102.1	114	182	160.0
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils	13 169	101.5	2 306	1 434	62.2
43 Animal or vegetable fats and oils, processed	100	45.7	17	23	133.9
5 Chemicals	251 127	110.2	52 280	59 226	113.3
51 Organic chemicals	2 479	111.4	587	506	86.1
52 Inorganic chemicals	3 951	107.3	861	766	88.9
53 Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials	26 651	108.7	4 475	6 104	136.4
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	86 582	113.7	19 167	24 463	127.6
55 Essential oils, perfume materials, toilet prep.	53 159	104.1	10 192	10 783	105.8
56 Fertilizers (other than those of group 272)	2 246	99.9	940	1 048	111.5
57 Plastics in primary forms	3 992	104.7	963	742	77.0
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	37 489	117.3	7 956	8 007	100.6
59 Chemicals and products n.e.s.	34 578	107.3	7 140	6 807	95.3

Table 5. Import of Montenegro by SITC sections

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BREAKDOWN BY SITC SECTIONS	2018	Index 2018 2017	Jan-Mar 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Index Jan-Mar 19 Jan-Mar 18
	In thous. EUR		In thous. EUR		
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	462 097	112.8	88 470	97 212	109.9
61 Leather, leather manufactures and dressed fur skins	262	82.4	55	41	74.2
62 Rubber manufactures	22 096	103.5	4 286	4 637	108.2
63 Cork and wood manufactures	27 957	111.1	5 187	6 047	116.6
64 Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp	35 977	109.9	7 036	7 505	106.7
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	21 511	101.2	3 977	4 047	101.8
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures	124 272	115.1	23 089	29 079	125.9
67 Iron and steel	85 796	126.5	17 946	16 591	92.4
68 Non-ferrous metals	20 559	118.2	4 491	4 961	110.5
69 Manufactures of metals	123 667	107.0	22 402	24 303	108.5
7 Machinery and transport equipment	638 085	115.5	146 299	126 037	86.2
71 Power-generating machinery and equipment	50 128	300 ¹	24 335	2 876	11.8
72 Machinery specialized for particular industries	49 108	96.1	10 300	13 695	133.0
73 Metalworking machinery	3 623	88.7	462	721	156.1
74 General industrial machinery and equipment	94 453	100.7	19 256	20 556	106.8
75 Office machines and data-processing machines	25 900	113.9	6 424	4 896	76.2
76 Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	71 703	97.7	15 092	16 664	110.4
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances	124 289	97.3	28 822	22 095	76.7
78 Road vehicles	187 195	115.0	40 401	42 003	104.0
79 Other transport equipment	31 685	300 ¹	1 208	2 530	209.5
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	342 536	115.9	65 926	77 022	116.8
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary equipment	21 781	103.3	4 538	4 311	95.0
82 Furniture, and parts thereof	61 494	115.9	9 989	12 575	125.9
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	8 690	110.6	2 013	2 554	126.9
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	78 279	106.8	17 262	18 120	105.0
85 Footwear	35 725	94.7	10 819	10 482	96.9
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments	25 223	139.1	3 120	5 904	189.2
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods	11 472	192.3	1 133	1 187	104.8
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	99 872	127.4	17 051	21 888	128.4
9 Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC	3 757	300¹	2	1	67.7

¹Calculated index is higher than 300.0.

METHODOLOGICAL EXPLANATIONS

External trade statistics represents an important source which is needed for economic policy makers, as well as for decision makers. It serves as the basic source of information for compilation balance of payments, national accounts statistics, for preparation multilateral and bilateral negotiations, as well as for enterprises for market research and business analysis.

Data collection on external trade is based on recommendations UN and EU statistics contained in the following publications:

- International merchandise Trade Statistics, Concept and Definitions, UN
- Statistics on the Trade of Goods, User Guide, EUROSTAT

It is harmonized with regulations of COMMUNITY LEGISLATION applicable to the STATISTICS RELATING TO THE TRADE OF GOODS, related to EXTRASTAT:

- Regulation(EC) No. 471/2009 of the European Parliament and Council
- Commission Regulation (EC) No. 92/2010
- Commission Regulation (EC) No. 113/2010

Data source

Data source for external trade of Montenegro is customs declarations on export and import of goods. Customs declaration is a document applied in customs procedure. It contains data important for the very customs procedure, but also for needs of statistics and other users. MONSTAT takes over the data in electronic form from Customs Administration of Montenegro with monthly periodicity, and further processes and publishes the results.

Since 2002 under customs procedure when using tariffs of products, Combined Nomenclature harmonized with EU Combined Nomenclature is used. It is published in the Official Gazette of Montenegro for the current year.

External trade coverage

Export covers the goods leaving the statistical territory of Montenegro in accordance with the following customs procedures:

- a) Export
- b) Outward processing
- c) Re-export of goods that was in the procedure of inward processing and manufacture of goods under customs control.

Import covers all goods entering the statistical territory of Montenegro in accordance with the following customs procedures:

- a) Import for free trade
- b) Inward processing
- c) Manufacture of goods under customs control.

Classification of export-import is performed in accordance with Nomenclature for External Trade Statistics which is based on Standard International Trade Classification (SITC), rev. 4. The code of every product classified by SITC has the following structure: one digit means sector, two digits – section, three digit – group, four digit – subgroup, and five digit – position, i.e. product.

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