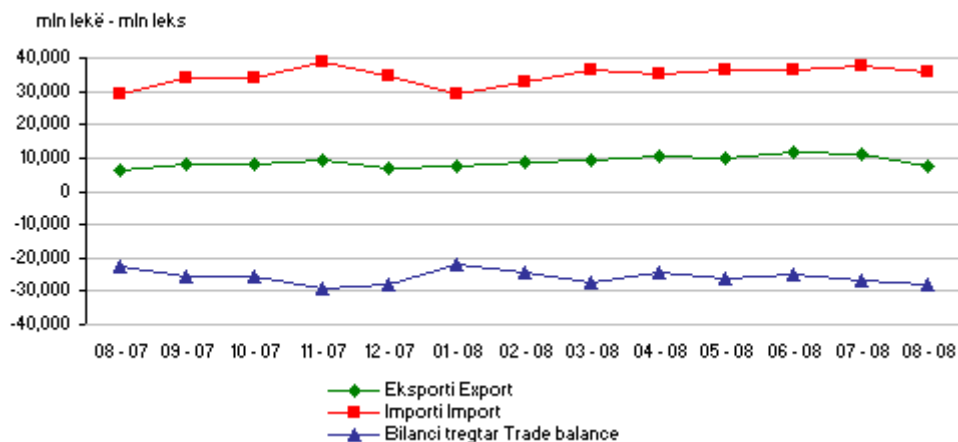


FOREIGN TRADE IN AUGUST 2008

FLOW OF GOODS IN FOREIGN TRADE(Monthly)



During August of 2008 were exported 7,741 mln lekë commodities, decreasing 29.9 percent compared with July of 2008 and increasing 18 percent compared with the August of 2007.

There were imported 35,543 mln lekë commodities increasing 21.7 percent compared with respectively month of the previous year and decreasing 5.4 percent compared with July of 2008.

This month the trade deficit is 27,802 mln lekë signing an increase of 4.8 percent compared with July of 2008 and signing an increase of 22.8 percent compared with August of 2007.

Trade with the EU countries is 57.1 percent. The main trade partners remain Italy and Greece. With Italy the export is 42.6 percent and the import 18.9 percent, while with Greece the export is 10.2 percent and the import 19

percent.

Some of the partner countries with which our export and import is increased are: in exports, Austria, China, Croatia, USA, Turkey, etc and in imports, Greece, China, Croatia, Macedonia, Switzerland, etc.

The comparison with the previous month of some group commodities shows that:

Export of group "Wood manufacture and article of paper" increased 6.2 percent, "Minerals, fuels, electricity" increased 4.1 percent, "Food, beverages, tobacco" increased 1.3 percent. While export of group "Leather and leather manufactures" decreased 69.3 percent, etc.

Import of "Food, beverages, tobacco" increased 33.2 percent, "Minerals, fuels, electricity" increased 29 percent. While import of group "Leather and leather manufactures" decreased 54.4 percent, "Textile and footwear" decreased 33.9 percent, etc.

In August 2008, the import of goods with excise is 6,347 mln lekë or 17.9 percent of the total import. During this month, the import of goods with excise is increased 21.6 percent, compared with July of 2008. Oil fuel products are the main imported goods in the group of goods with excise (71.4 percent).

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