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Correction Notice

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When published it was incorrectly stated that Table 3: 'Volume and Price Indices' and Table 4: 'Growth Rates for Volume and Prices Indices' in this bulletin showed Indices 2003=100.

This has now been corrected to Indices 2005=100.

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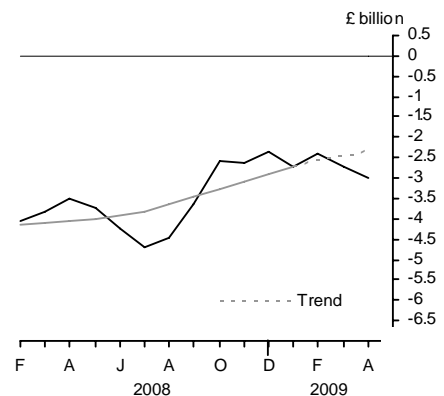
The UK's deficit on trade in goods and services was £3.0 billion in April, compared with the deficit of £2.7 billion in March.

The deficit on trade in goods was £7.0 billion, compared with the deficit of £6.5 billion in March.

Excluding oil and erratic items, the volumes of exports and imports were both three per cent higher in April than in March.

Export prices fell by two per cent compared with March, and import prices were one per cent lower.

Balance of trade



		Balance on trade in goods			Balance on trade in services	Total balance
		EU	Non-EU	World		
<i>Seasonally adjusted: £ billion</i>						
2008	Nov	-2.6	-5.2	-7.8	5.1	-2.6
	Dec	-3.0	-4.1	-7.1	4.8	-2.3
2009	Jan	-2.1	-5.5	-7.6	4.9	-2.7
	Feb	-2.9	-3.8	-6.8	4.4	-2.4
	Mar	-3.1	-3.4	-6.5	3.8	-2.7
	Apr	-2.9	-4.1	-7.0	4.0	-3.0

NOTE: Trade in services estimates are included to give a more complete picture of UK trade. These estimates have been derived from a number of sources, and some components are based on recent trends. They should be used with appropriate caution.

TRADE IN GOODS - APRIL

Value of total trade in goods

The UK's deficit on trade in goods in April is provisionally estimated at £7.0 billion, compared with £6.5 billion in March. The deficit with EU countries in April was £2.9 billion, compared with £3.1 billion in March. The deficit with non-EU countries in April was £4.1 billion, compared with £3.4 billion in March.

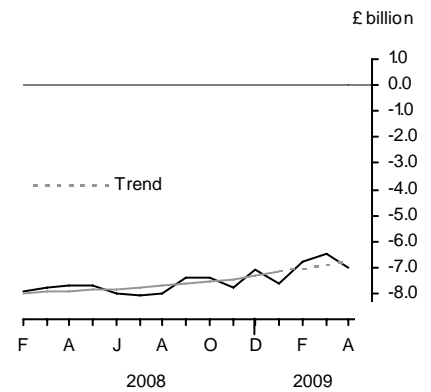
In April, total exports of goods rose by a half per cent to £18.9 billion and total imports of goods rose by two and a half per cent to £25.9 billion. Exports to EU countries rose by four per cent while exports to non-EU countries fell by three per cent. Imports from EU countries rose by one per cent and imports from non-EU countries rose by four and a half per cent.

In the three months ended April, the deficit on trade in goods narrowed by £2.3 billion to £20.2 billion. The deficit with EU countries widened by £1.3 billion to £8.9 billion, and the deficit with non-EU countries narrowed by £3.5 billion to £11.3 billion.

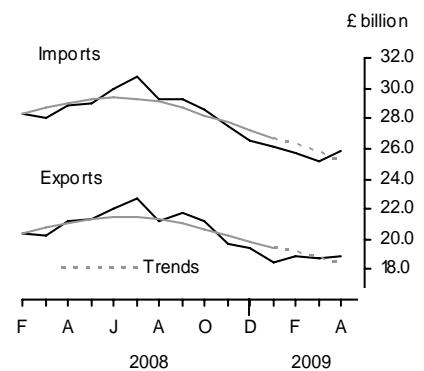
In the three months ended April, exports of goods fell by two per cent and imports of goods fell by four per cent. Exports to EU countries fell by six and a half per cent while exports to non-EU countries rose by three and a half per cent. Imports from EU countries fell by two per cent and those from non-EU countries fell by six and a half per cent.

The latest estimate of the trend suggests that the whole world goods deficit is fairly flat. The trends in the value of trade show both exports and imports falling slightly in recent months.

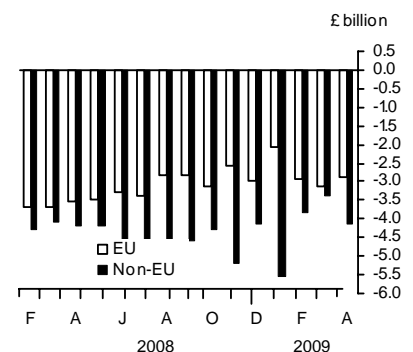
Balance on trade in goods



Value of trade in goods



Balance on trade in goods



Volume of total trade in goods (excluding oil and erratics)

Provisional estimates show that the volume of exports and imports both rose by three per cent compared with March.

In the three months ended April, exports fell by one and a half per cent and imports fell by five per cent compared with the previous three months.

Changes in trade associated with VAT MTIC fraud mean that comparisons of volume and prices (both including and excluding trade associated with VAT MTIC fraud) should be treated with a great deal of caution.

Latest estimates of volume trends show both exports and imports falling slightly in recent months.

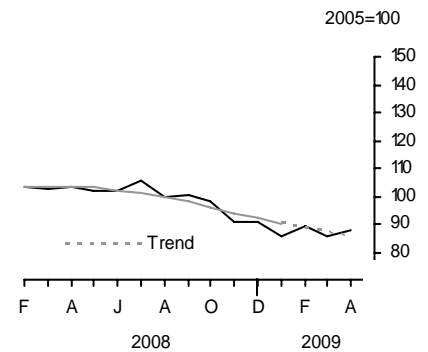
		EU		Non-EU		World	
		Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
<i>Seasonally adjusted: 2005 = 100</i>							
2008	Nov	89.6	89.8	92.1	112.1	90.6	98.5
	Dec	83.8	85.9	100.5	106.7	90.9	94.0
2009	Jan	86.7	83.1	84.6	104.8	85.8	91.6
	Feb	84.2	84.3	96.9	103.3	89.6	91.7
	Mar	77.6	82.8	96.2	95.7	85.5	87.8
	Apr	84.5	83.7	92.7	101.4	88.0	90.5

Export and import prices (trade in goods)

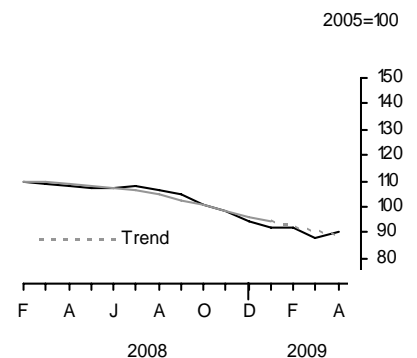
April's provisional estimates show that export prices fell by two per cent and import prices fell by one per cent compared with March.

In the three months ended April, export prices rose by one per cent and import prices rose by two per cent. This led to a decrease in terms of trade.

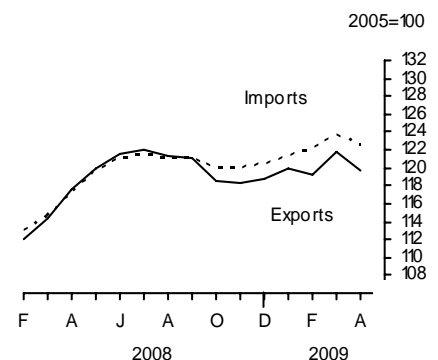
Volume of exports (goods) excluding oil and erratic items



Volume of imports (goods) excluding oil and erratic items



Export and import prices (goods)



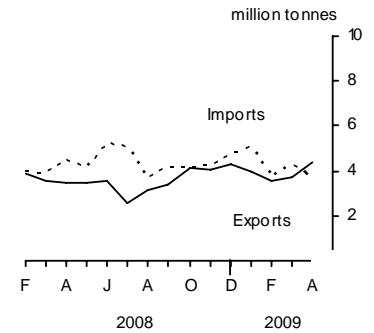
COMMODITY ANALYSIS OF TRADE IN GOODS

Trade in oil

In April, the oil account was in balance, compared with a deficit of £0.5 billion in March.

In the three months ended April, the deficit on trade in oil was £0.5 billion, compared with a deficit of £0.6 billion in the previous three months.

Trade in crude oil

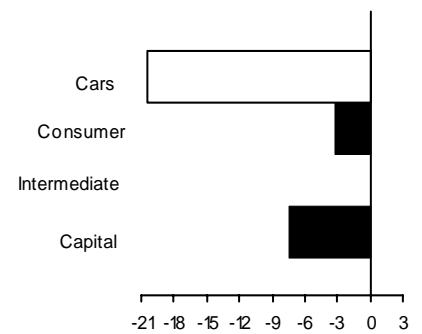


Trade in other commodities in the three months ended April 2009

For exports, all the main commodity groups showed a fall in volume, except basic materials, food, drink and tobacco, and semi manufactures. Within finished manufactures, exports of cars fell by 21 per cent, and of capital goods fell by seven and a half per cent. Exports of consumer goods other than cars fell by three and a half per cent. Exports of chemicals rose by five per cent while exports of other semi-manufactured goods fell by four and a half per cent.

Volume of exports of goods (finished manufactures)

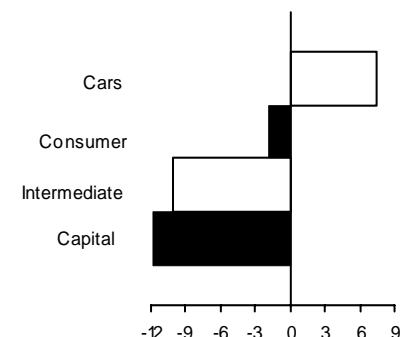
3 month percentage changes



For imports, all the main commodity groups showed a fall in volume, except food, drink and tobacco. Within finished manufactures, imports of capital goods fell by 12 per cent, and of intermediate goods fell by 10 per cent. Imports of cars rose by seven and a half per cent. Imports of chemicals rose by three per cent while imports of other semi-manufactured goods fell by seven and a half per cent.

Volume of imports of goods (finished manufactures)

3 month percentage changes



GEOGRAPHICAL ANALYSIS OF TRADE IN GOODS: in the three months ended April 2009

Exports by country

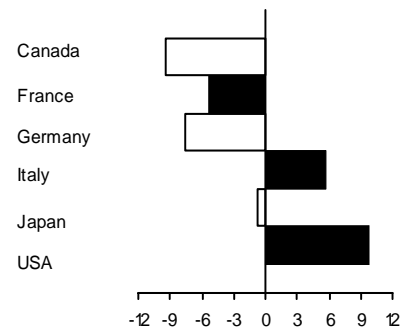
Within the G7 group of countries, exports to the USA rose by £0.8 billion, and to Italy by £0.1 billion. Exports to Germany fell by £0.5 billion, and to France by £0.2 billion. Among other countries, exports to the Netherlands fell by £0.6 billion, and to both Belgium and Luxembourg, and to the Irish Republic fell by £0.3 billion. Exports to Russia, India and to Poland all fell by £0.1 billion. Exports to China rose by £0.2 billion.

Imports by country

Within the G7 group of countries, imports from Japan fell by £0.5 billion. Imports from Germany fell by £0.2 billion, and from Canada and Italy both fell by £0.1 billion. Among our other trading partners, imports from Norway fell by £1.0 billion, and from China fell by £0.6 billion. Imports from Australia, the Netherlands and Nigeria all fell by £0.2 billion. Imports from Belgium and Luxembourg, Denmark, Singapore, Hong Kong and Russia all fell by £0.1 billion. Imports from South Africa rose by £0.3 billion. Imports from the Irish Republic, Saudi Arabia and Switzerland rose by £0.1 billion.

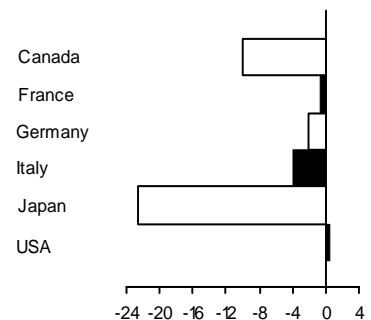
Value of exports of goods by country

3 month percentage changes



Value of imports of goods by country

3 month percentage changes



TRADE IN SERVICES – APRIL

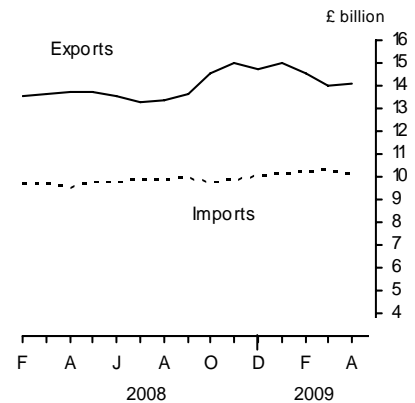
The UK's surplus on trade in services is provisionally estimated at £4.0 billion, compared with £3.8 billion in March.

In the three months ended April, the surplus on trade in services was £12.1 billion, compared with £14.8 billion in the previous three months. Exports of services fell by £2.0 billion to £42.7 billion and imports of services rose by £0.7 billion to £30.6 billion.

REVISIONS

Table 13R shows revisions to the main aggregates since the last Trade First Release of 12 May 2009. The revisions to trade in goods from January 2004 onwards form part of the annual round of National Accounts/Balance of Payments revisions to be incorporated in the National Accounts and Balance of Payments Statistical Bulletins for Q1 2009. There may be further revisions to trade in goods data in the next First Release. The revisions reflect revised data from Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs and other data suppliers, revised estimates of trading associated with VAT MTIC fraud, later survey data on trade prices and a re-assessment of seasonal factors. There have been small revisions to trade in services data from January 2009 but the majority of revisions will be included in next month's bulletin.

Value of trade in services



Background Notes

Basic quality information

1. Key Issues specific to this release

The constant price, index and prices data have been re-referenced to 2005 prices so there are revisions to volume and price data back to the beginning of published data series. For general issues regarding the interpretation of the series, please see the “Common pitfalls in interpreting series” section below.

2. Link to Summary Quality Report

A Summary Quality Report for this Statistical Bulletin and associated data can be found on the National Statistics website at:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/CCI/article.asp?ID=1723>.

3. Relevance to users

- A paper entitled *Statistics on Trade in Goods* (GSS Methodological Series No. 36) describing the basis on which trade in goods statistics are compiled and the methodology employed to derive volume and price indices is available on the National Statistics website: <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=14943>.
- The Overseas Trade Statistics (OTS) data used as inputs to the release are collected and published by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) on an International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) basis.
- The implied price deflators derived by comparing current to chained volume measures data are not the same as the price indices published in this release because the former are current weighted while the latter are base (2005) weighted.

4. Common pitfalls in interpreting series

Very few statistical revisions arise as a result of ‘errors’ in the popular sense of the word. All estimates, by definition, are subject to statistical ‘error’ but, in this context, the word refers to the uncertainty in any process or calculation that uses sampling, estimation or modelling. Most revisions reflect either the adoption of new statistical techniques or the incorporation of new information which allows the statistical error of previous estimates to be reduced. Only rarely are there avoidable ‘errors’ such as human or system failures and such mistakes are made quite clear when they are discovered and corrected.

5. VAT Missing Trader Community (MTIC) fraud

- Import figures for trade in goods include adjustments to allow for the impact of VAT

MTIC fraud. The adjustments were introduced for the first time in the UK trade May 2003 First Release published on 9 July 2003 and accompanied by an article explaining the fraud and the impact on the trade figures (<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/CCI/article.asp?ID=402>). A follow-up report was published on 17 February 2005 which summarises the work carried out to review the estimates of the impact on the trade figures (<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/CCI/article.asp?ID=1066>).

The adjustments to trade in goods relate only to part of the carousel version of VAT MTIC fraud. This fraud leads to under recording of imports as fraudsters import goods from the EU, which they then sell on before disappearing without paying VAT on that sale. The goods are eventually exported. Such exports are declared and are therefore already reflected in the UK's trade in goods statistics.

- Changes to the pattern of trading associated with MTIC fraud can make it difficult to analyse trade by commodity group and by country as changes in the impact of activity associated with this fraud affect both imports and exports. Originally, most carousel chains only involved EU member states. From 2004 in particular, some carousel chains included non-EU countries, for example, Dubai and Switzerland. However, the MTIC trade adjustments are added to the EU import estimates derived from Intrastat returns as it is this part of the trading chain that is not generally recorded. In particular, adjustments affect trade in capital goods and intermediate goods - these categories include mobile phones and computer components, which are still the most widely affected goods. International convention determines that the treatment of the impact is to adjust imports upwards by the relevant amounts of missing declarations (non-response). However, users may wish to interpret short term movements in exports and imports excluding that part of the fraudulent activity that is not included in the import estimates, and for this purpose an analysis of the export and import figures with the VAT MTIC adjustments excluded has been produced.
- The following tables show quarterly values of imports and exports of goods for both current price estimates and chained volume measures excluding the VAT MTIC fraud adjustment, and a breakdown for current price estimates into trade with the EU and non-EU separately. Also, it includes the estimated monthly data for the adjustment for trade associated with VAT MTIC fraud, and for total trade excluding the adjustment for trade associated with VAT MTIC fraud, at current prices.

Trade in goods excluding adjustments to trade associated with MTIC fraud¹

£ billion					
Quarter/ Year	MTIC fraud trade adj'ment	Current price	Current price	Chained volume measure	Chained volume measure
	Value of trade	Total exports less MTIC adj'ment	Total imports less MTIC adj'ment	Total exports less MTIC adj'ment	Total imports less MTIC adj'ment
	OFNN	BQHP	BQHQ	BQHR	BQHS
2000	2.8	185.1	218.1	187.9	216.1
2001	7.1	182.0	223.2	188.1	223.4
2002	11.5	175.0	222.7	181.2	229.8
2003	4.5	183.8	232.4	186.9	240.4
2004	2.7	188.2	249.1	191.7	259.2
2005	11.1	200.5	269.1	200.5	269.1
2006	22.4	221.3	297.6	213.9	287.5
2007	2.1	218.7	308.5	210.7	298.4
2008	2.3	248.8	341.7	211.1	292.2
2007 Q2	0.5	54.0	74.5	52.6	72.4
Q3	0.5	55.0	78.8	53.1	76.2
Q4	0.5	56.7	80.7	52.9	76.2
2008 Q1	0.5	60.2	83.9	53.8	75.5
Q2	0.7	63.7	87.1	53.5	74.0
Q3	0.7	65.0	88.5	53.7	73.7
Q4	0.4	59.9	82.2	50.1	69.0
2009 Q1	0.4	55.8	76.6	46.3	63.6
2008 Jan	0.1	20.0	27.9		
Feb	0.2	20.2	28.1		
Mar	0.2	20.1	27.9		
Apr	0.2	20.9	28.6		
May	0.3	21.0	28.7		
Jun	0.2	21.7	29.8		
Jul	0.3	22.4	30.5		
Aug	0.2	21.0	29.0		
Sep	0.2	21.6	29.0		
Oct	0.2	21.0	28.4		
Nov	0.1	19.6	27.4		
Dec	0.2	19.3	26.4		
2009 Jan	0.1	18.4	26.0		
Feb	0.1	18.8	25.5		
Mar	0.2	18.6	25.1		
Apr	0.2	18.7	25.7		

Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:

Previous 3 months
25.0 -2.1 -4.4

Same 3 months last year
-16.7 -8.3 -9.8

Percentage latest quarter compared with:

Previous quarter
- -6.8 -6.8 -7.6 -7.8

Same quarter last year
-20.0 -7.3 -8.7 -13.9 -15.8

¹ The adjustments are for the missing declarations (non response) and do not reflect the overall level of MTIC-related trade

Trade with EU and non-EU countries excluding MTIC fraud adjustments¹

£ billion				
Quarter/ Year	Current price	Current price	Current price	Current price
	Total EU exports less MTIC adj'ment	Total non-EU exports less MTIC adj'ment	Total EU imports less MTIC adj'ment	Total non-EU imports less MTIC adj'ment
	CLAQ	CLAR	CLAS	CLAT
2000	109.7	75.5	114.9	103.3
2001	107.3	74.7	119.9	103.3
2002	103.2	71.8	125.4	97.3
2003	106.8	77.0	132.9	99.5
2004	109.8	78.4	139.8	109.2
2005	116.5	84.0	147.1	122.0
2006	133.0	88.3	161.4	136.2
2007	126.6	92.2	167.7	140.8
2008	140.0	108.9	178.1	163.6
2004 Q1	26.3	18.9	33.9	25.4
Q2	26.6	19.1	34.4	26.7
Q3	28.0	20.1	34.9	28.5
Q4	28.9	20.3	36.6	28.7
2005 Q1	28.2	19.6	36.2	28.1
Q2	28.1	20.9	35.6	29.2
Q3	29.6	21.3	37.0	32.1
Q4	30.6	22.2	38.4	32.6
2006 Q1	34.3	21.9	40.4	33.9
Q2	34.5	22.8	41.0	34.1
Q3	32.5	21.6	39.9	34.2
Q4	31.7	22.0	40.0	34.1
2007 Q1	30.7	22.2	40.6	33.9
Q2	30.6	23.5	40.6	33.7
Q3	32.0	23.0	42.5	36.4
Q4	33.3	23.5	43.9	36.7
2008 Q1	34.5	25.8	45.5	38.4
Q2	36.0	27.7	46.0	41.0
Q3	36.5	28.5	45.2	43.5
Q4	32.9	27.0	41.4	40.7
2009 Q1	31.0	24.8	38.9	37.8
Percentage change, latest quarter on previous quarter:				
	-5.8	-8.1	-6.0	-7.1
Percentage change, latest quarter on same quarter last year:				
	-10.1	-3.9	-14.5	-1.6

¹ The adjustments are for the missing declarations (non response) and do not reflect the overall level of MTIC-related trade

6. **Accuracy**

- Trade in goods figures for the most recent months are provisional and subject to revision in the light of (a) late trader data, revisions to trade prices and revised estimates of trading associated with VAT MTIC fraud, and (b) revisions to seasonal adjustment factors which are re-estimated every month.
- Trade in services estimates have been derived from a number of monthly and quarterly sources. For components where no monthly data are available, estimates have been derived on the basis of recent trends. The results should be used with appropriate caution, as they are therefore likely to be less reliable than those for trade in goods. More details of the data sources, estimation methodology and reliability of the monthly estimates of trade in services were set out in *Economic Trends* (November 1996 and September 1997).

7. **Reliability**

Revisions to data provide one indication of the reliability of key indicators. The table below show summary information on the size and direction of the revisions which have been made to the data covering a five year period. A statistical test has been applied to the average revision to find out if it is statistically significantly different from zero. An asterisk (*) shows that the test is significant. An article explaining the past revisions performance for UK Trade statistics and what is being done to improve the first published estimates was published on 9 February 2005 at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/article.asp?id=1063>. The table covers estimates of UK trade first published from March 2002 (for January 2002) to February 2007 (December 2006). A spreadsheet giving these estimates and the calculations behind the averages in the table is available on the National Statistics website at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=1119>.

£million

	Value in latest period	Revisions between first publication and estimates twelve months later	
		Average over the last 5 years (mean revision)	Average over the last 5 years without regard to sign (average absolute revision)
Total trade exports (IKBH)	32976	1043*	1073
Total trade imports (IKBI)	35990	1010*	1058
Total trade balance (IKBJ)	-3014	33	377

An article analysing past revisions to quarterly balance of payments current account data was published in the May 2007 edition of *Economic & Labour Market Review*. It is available on the National Statistics website at:

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/elmr/05_07/downloads/ELMR_May07.pdf.

More information about revisions material in First Releases can be found on the National Statistics website: <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/article.asp?ID=793>.

8. Coherence

EU enlargement and country coverage. Two more countries joined the EU from 1 January 2007. These countries were Bulgaria and Romania. In addition, the coverage of EMU countries was extended to include Slovenia. In order to enable users to make long-run comparisons, data for the new definition EU and non-EU was produced from January 1998 onwards for value, and from January 1999 onwards for volume and price indices. At the same time data for the old definitions is no longer being maintained. There are additional series for country groupings on the old definitions. From January 2008, the coverage of EMU countries was extended to cover Cyprus and Malta, and from January 2009 the coverage of EMU countries has been extended to cover Slovakia. Some EU and non EU breakdowns of commodity data for Chained Volume Measures which are available from the Statbase® service may be less reliable than the current price data. Please consult Caroline Lakin on 020 7014 2020 if you are considering using them.

Data have been combined for the United States and Puerto Rico, and for Dubai, Abu Dhabi, and Sharjah (the United Arab Emirates) from January 2009 onwards. Estimates are available for the United States and Dubai separately up till the end of 2008 on request.

9. **Classifications and Definitions.** The Overseas Trade Statistics (OTS), on which the BoP trade data are based, have been compiled under the United Nations Standard International Trade Classification Revision 4 (SITC R4) from January 2007 but the data have been converted back to SITC R3 for this release and the Monthly Review of External Trade Statistics (MRETS) publication in order to help users to compare data over time. There are some discontinuities at detailed levels, particularly between capital and intermediate goods where some products are allocated from January 2007 to intermediate goods rather than capital goods as done previously. It is also possible that volume and price changes between 2006 and 2007 may be less reliable than for other periods.

Notes on tables

10. **Rounding** The sum of constituent items in tables may not always agree exactly with the totals shown due to rounding.
11. **Symbols**
- .. Not applicable
 - Nil or less than half the final digit shown.

PUBLICATION POLICY

12. Supplementary data for this Statistical Bulletin – Monthly Review of External Trade Statistics – Business Monitor MM24; and quarterly data analysed by industry according to the Standard Industrial Classification - UK Trade in Goods analysed in terms of industries - Business Monitor MQ10 are also available free of charge as PDF files on the National Statistics website (www.statistics.gov.uk/bop).
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1 VALUE OF UK TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES

Balance of Payments basis

£ million seasonally adjusted

	Total trade			Trade in goods			Oil			Trade in goods excluding oil		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	IKBH	IKBI	IKBJ	BOKG	BOKH	BOKI	ELBL	ENXO	ENXQ	ELBM	ENXP	BQKH
2006	376 382	419 586	-43 204	243 633	319 945	-76 312	23 173	25 967	-2 794	220 460	293 978	-73 518
2007	370 049	417 346	-47 297	220 858	310 612	-89 754	22 756	26 787	-4 031	198 102	283 825	-85 723
2008	417 046	461 045	-43 999	251 102	343 979	-92 877	31 844	37 276	-5 432	219 258	306 703	-87 445
2007 Q3	93 259	106 452	-13 193	55 524	79 290	-23 766	5 770	7 119	-1 349	49 754	72 171	-22 417
Q4	96 488	108 882	-12 394	57 238	81 204	-23 966	6 600	8 171	-1 571	50 638	73 033	-22 395
2008 Q1	101 167	113 352	-12 185	60 674	84 345	-23 671	7 128	8 350	-1 222	53 546	75 995	-22 449
Q2	105 348	116 787	-11 439	64 428	87 833	-23 405	8 979	10 502	-1 523	55 449	77 331	-21 882
Q3	105 922	118 730	-12 808	65 660	89 167	-23 507	9 027	10 792	-1 765	56 633	78 375	-21 742
Q4	104 609	112 176	-7 567	60 340	82 634	-22 294	6 710	7 632	-922	53 630	75 002	-21 372
2009 Q1	99 810	107 628	-7 818	56 193	77 014	-20 821	5 529	6 224	-695	50 664	70 790	-20 126
2008 Nov	34 706	37 355	-2 649	19 719	27 492	-7 773	2 271	2 460	-189	17 448	25 032	-7 584
Dec	34 176	36 517	-2 341	19 440	26 550	-7 110	1 909	2 176	-267	17 531	24 374	-6 843
2009 Jan	33 524	36 237	-2 713	18 521	26 117	-7 596	1 938	2 081	-143	16 583	24 036	-7 453
Feb	33 504	35 893	-2 389	18 928	25 682	-6 754	1 732	1 807	-75	17 196	23 875	-6 679
Mar	32 782	35 498	-2 716	18 744	25 215	-6 471	1 859	2 336	-477	16 885	22 879	-5 994
Apr	32 976	35 990	-3 014	18 863	25 866	-7 003	2 018	2 010	8	16 845	23 856	-7 011
Percentage change, latest month compared with:												
Previous month	0.6	1.4		0.6	2.6		8.6	-14.0		-0.2	4.3	
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	102 569	113 926	-11 357	61 750	85 148	-23 398	7 521	8 559	-1 038	54 229	76 589	-22 360
2009 Jan	102 406	110 109	-7 703	57 680	80 159	-22 479	6 118	6 717	-599	51 562	73 442	-21 880
2009 Apr	99 262	107 381	-8 119	56 535	76 763	-20 228	5 609	6 153	-544	50 926	70 610	-19 684
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	-3.1	-2.5		-2.0	-4.2		-8.3	-8.4		-1.2	-3.9	
Same 3 months last year	-3.2	-5.7		-8.4	-9.8		-25.4	-28.1		-6.1	-7.8	

	Erratics ¹			Trade in goods excluding erratics			Trade in goods excluding oil and erratics			Trade in services		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	BPAL	BQBB	BQKW	BPAO	BQBE	BPBM	BPBL	BQBG	BPAP	IKBB	IKBC	IKBD
2006	12 314	15 400	-3 086	231 319	304 545	-73 226	208 146	278 578	-70 432	132 749	99 641	33 108
2007	13 064	14 355	-1 291	207 794	296 257	-88 463	185 038	269 470	-84 432	149 191	106 734	42 457
2008	15 092	15 946	-854	236 010	328 033	-92 023	204 166	290 757	-86 591	165 944	117 066	48 878
2007 Q3	3 039	3 694	-655	52 485	75 596	-23 111	46 715	68 477	-21 762	37 735	27 162	10 573
Q4	3 231	3 198	33	54 007	78 006	-23 999	47 407	69 835	-22 428	39 250	27 678	11 572
2008 Q1	3 285	3 666	-381	57 389	80 679	-23 290	50 261	72 329	-22 068	40 493	29 007	11 486
Q2	3 651	3 993	-342	60 777	83 840	-23 063	51 798	73 338	-21 540	40 920	28 954	11 966
Q3	4 218	4 209	9	61 442	84 958	-23 516	52 415	74 166	-21 751	40 262	29 563	10 699
Q4	3 938	4 078	-140	56 402	78 556	-22 154	49 692	70 924	-21 232	44 269	29 542	14 727
2009 Q1	3 142	3 806	-664	53 051	73 208	-20 157	47 522	66 984	-19 462	43 617	30 614	13 003
2008 Nov	1 401	1 333	68	18 318	26 159	-7 841	16 047	23 699	-7 652	14 987	9 863	5 124
Dec	1 141	1 257	-116	18 299	25 293	-6 994	16 390	23 117	-6 727	14 736	9 967	4 769
2009 Jan	929	1 433	-504	17 592	24 684	-7 092	15 654	22 603	-6 949	15 003	10 120	4 883
Feb	999	1 177	-178	17 929	24 505	-6 576	16 197	22 698	-6 501	14 576	10 211	4 365
Mar	1 214	1 196	18	17 530	24 019	-6 489	15 671	21 683	-6 012	14 038	10 283	3 755
Apr	1 096	1 487	-391	17 767	24 379	-6 612	15 749	22 369	-6 620	14 113	10 124	3 989
Percentage change, latest month compared with:												
Previous month	-9.7	24.3		1.4	1.5		0.5	3.2		0.5	-1.5	
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	3 415	3 919	-504	58 335	81 229	-22 894	50 814	72 670	-21 856	40 819	28 778	12 041
2009 Jan	3 471	4 023	-552	54 209	76 136	-21 927	48 091	69 419	-21 328	44 726	29 950	14 776
2009 Apr	3 309	3 860	-551	53 226	72 903	-19 677	47 617	66 750	-19 133	42 727	30 618	12 109
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	-4.7	-4.1		-1.8	-4.2		-1.0	-3.8		-4.5	2.2	
Same 3 months last year	-3.1	-1.5		-8.8	-10.3		-6.3	-8.1		4.7	6.4	

¹ These are defined as ships, aircraft, precious stones and silver

¹ Earliest date for revisions to trade in goods is January 2004 and to trade in services is January 2009.

2 UK TRADE IN GOODS BY AREA

Balance of Payments basis

£ million seasonally adjusted

	EMU members ¹			Total EU (25) ²			Total EU (27) ³			Non-EU ⁴			Total		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	QAKW	QAKX	QAKY	EGAE	EGAF	EGAG	LGCK	LGDC	LGCG	LGDY	LGER	LGDT	BOKG	BOKH	BOKI
2006	136 333	158 092	-21 759	151 483	182 680	-31 197	152 357	183 749	-31 392	91 276	136 196	-44 920	243 633	319 945	-76 312
2007	114 537	149 719	-35 182	126 943	168 622	-41 679	127 813	169 799	-41 986	93 045	140 813	-47 768	220 858	310 612	-89 754
2008	126 143	157 455	-31 312	140 114	179 399	-39 285	141 119	180 363	-39 244	109 983	163 616	-53 633	251 102	343 979	-92 877
2006 Q4	28 801	35 359	-6 558	31 804	40 217	-8 413	32 028	40 518	-8 490	22 100	34 199	-12 099	54 128	74 717	-20 589
2007 Q1	27 822	36 504	-8 682	30 888	40 984	-10 096	31 100	41 246	-10 146	22 416	33 887	-11 471	53 516	75 133	-21 617
Q2	27 713	36 390	-8 677	30 701	40 855	-10 154	30 907	41 183	-10 276	23 673	33 802	-10 129	54 580	74 985	-20 405
Q3	28 926	37 880	-8 954	32 052	42 699	-10 647	32 271	42 992	-10 721	23 253	36 298	-13 045	55 524	79 290	-23 766
Q4	30 076	38 945	-8 869	33 302	44 084	-10 782	33 535	44 378	-10 843	23 703	36 826	-13 123	57 238	81 204	-23 966
2008 Q1	31 081	40 135	-9 054	34 448	45 723	-11 275	34 709	45 980	-11 271	25 965	38 365	-12 400	60 674	84 345	-23 671
Q2	32 583	40 754	-8 171	36 126	46 430	-10 304	36 407	46 686	-10 279	28 021	41 147	-13 126	64 428	87 833	-23 405
Q3	32 895	40 015	-7 120	36 589	45 606	-9 017	36 833	45 854	-9 021	28 827	43 313	-14 486	65 660	89 167	-23 507
Q4	29 584	36 551	-6 967	32 951	41 640	-8 689	33 170	41 843	-8 673	27 170	40 791	-13 621	60 340	82 634	-22 294
2009 Q1	28 029	34 672	-6 643	30 973	39 115	-8 142	31 204	39 317	-8 113	24 989	37 697	-12 708	56 193	77 014	-20 821
2007 Oct	9 794	12 600	-2 806	10 917	14 290	-3 373	10 994	14 392	-3 398	7 922	12 486	-4 564	18 916	26 878	-7 962
Nov	10 166	13 174	-3 008	11 228	14 925	-3 697	11 309	15 025	-3 716	8 208	12 540	-4 332	19 517	27 565	-8 048
Dec	10 116	13 171	-3 055	11 157	14 869	-3 712	11 232	14 961	-3 729	7 573	11 800	-4 227	18 805	26 761	-7 956
2008 Jan	10 359	13 497	-3 138	11 472	15 405	-3 933	11 561	15 492	-3 931	8 510	12 541	-4 031	20 071	28 033	-7 962
Feb	10 385	13 318	-2 933	11 502	15 161	-3 659	11 583	15 247	-3 664	8 741	13 018	-4 277	20 324	28 265	-7 941
Mar	10 337	13 320	-2 983	11 474	15 157	-3 683	11 565	15 241	-3 676	8 714	12 806	-4 092	20 279	28 047	-7 768
Apr	10 874	13 595	-2 721	12 032	15 543	-3 511	12 125	15 634	-3 509	9 022	13 202	-4 180	21 147	28 836	-7 689
May	10 634	13 403	-2 769	11 791	15 300	-3 509	11 879	15 384	-3 505	9 439	13 622	-4 183	21 318	29 006	-7 688
Jun	11 075	13 756	-2 681	12 303	15 587	-3 284	12 403	15 668	-3 265	9 560	14 323	-4 763	21 963	29 991	-8 028
Jul	10 985	13 609	-2 624	12 196	15 548	-3 352	12 279	15 655	-3 376	10 366	15 086	-4 720	22 645	30 741	-8 096
Aug	10 839	13 165	-2 326	12 062	14 906	-2 844	12 137	14 972	-2 835	9 073	14 252	-5 179	21 210	29 224	-8 014
Sep	11 071	13 241	-2 170	12 331	15 152	-2 821	12 417	15 227	-2 810	9 388	13 975	-4 587	21 805	29 202	-7 397
Oct	10 181	12 662	-2 481	11 361	14 491	-3 130	11 440	14 562	-3 122	9 741	14 030	-4 289	21 181	28 592	-7 411
Nov	10 068	12 106	-2 038	11 190	13 766	-2 576	11 260	13 833	-2 573	8 459	13 659	-5 200	19 719	27 492	-7 773
Dec	9 335	11 783	-2 448	10 400	13 383	-2 983	10 470	13 448	-2 978	8 970	13 102	-4 132	19 440	26 550	-7 110
2009 Jan	9 853	11 471	-1 618	10 847	12 930	-2 083	10 924	12 996	-2 072	7 597	13 121	-5 524	18 521	26 117	-7 596
Feb	9 283	11 676	-2 393	10 248	13 182	-2 934	10 328	13 253	-2 925	8 600	12 429	-3 829	18 928	25 682	-6 754
Mar	8 893	11 525	-2 632	9 878	13 003	-3 125	9 952	13 068	-3 116	8 792	12 147	-3 355	18 744	25 215	-6 471
Apr	9 244	11 564	-2 320	10 263	13 123	-2 860	10 326	13 190	-2 864	8 537	12 676	-4 139	18 863	25 866	-7 003
Percentage change on previous month:															
2009 Apr	3.9	0.3		3.9	0.9		3.8	0.9		-2.9	4.4		0.6	2.6	
3 months ended:															
2008 Apr	31 596	40 233	-8 637	35 008	45 861	-10 853	35 273	46 122	-10 849	26 477	39 026	-12 549	61 750	85 148	-23 398
2009 Jan	29 256	35 360	-6 104	32 437	40 079	-7 642	32 654	40 277	-7 623	25 026	39 882	-14 856	57 680	80 159	-22 479
2009 Apr	27 420	34 765	-7 345	30 389	39 308	-8 919	30 606	39 511	-8 905	25 929	37 252	-11 323	56 535	76 763	-20 228
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:															
Previous 3 months	-6.3	-1.7		-6.3	-1.9		-6.3	-1.9		3.6	-6.6		-2.0	-4.2	
Same 3 months last year	-13.2	-13.6		-13.2	-14.3		-13.2	-14.3		-2.1	-4.5		-8.4	-9.8	

1 Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Irish Republic, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Spain

[†] Earliest date for revisions to trade in goods is January 2004.

2 EMU Members plus Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and Sweden

3 EU (25) plus Bulgaria and Romania

4 Total less EU (27)

3 VOLUME AND PRICE INDICES (TRADE IN GOODS) ¹

Balance of Payments basis

Indices 2005=100

	Volume (seasonally adjusted)						Price index (not seasonally adjusted)								
	Total		Total excluding oil		Total excluding oil and erratics ²		Total			Total excluding oil			Total excluding oil & erratics ²		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Terms of trade ³	Exports	Imports	Terms of trade ³	Exports	Imports	
	BQKU	BQKV	BQKI	BQKJ	BOMA	ELAL	BQKR	BQKS	BQKT	BQKK	BQKL	BQKM	BQAK	ELBA	
2006	111.5	110.4	112.6	111.3	113.6	111.1	102.5	103.5	99.0	101.1	102.1	99.0	101.1	102.1	
2007	100.4	107.2	100.8	107.4	100.5	107.0	103.4	104.6	98.9	101.8	103.0	98.8	102.0	103.3	
2008	100.6	104.9	101.0	105.7	100.2	105.3	118.0	118.4	99.7	112.7	113.2	99.6	113.0	113.5	
2006 Q4	100.9	104.4	101.4	104.8	100.7	103.8	100.1	102.3	97.8	99.9	102.1	97.8	100.0	102.2	
2007 Q1	99.4	105.9	99.9	105.7	100.0	104.8	100.8	102.4	98.4	101.0	102.6	98.4	101.1	102.8	
Q2	100.3	104.0	100.3	104.6	99.0	104.3	102.6	104.2	98.5	101.3	103.0	98.3	101.4	103.3	
Q3	101.2	109.4	101.6	109.6	101.8	109.1	103.3	104.6	98.8	101.3	102.6	98.7	101.5	103.0	
Q4	100.7	109.5	101.5	109.7	101.3	109.9	107.0	107.3	99.7	103.5	103.7	99.8	103.9	104.1	
2008 Q1	102.3	108.3	103.7	109.9	103.6	109.6	112.4	113.0	99.5	107.7	108.3	99.4	108.1	108.8	
Q2	102.3	106.4	103.0	107.9	102.4	107.2	119.8	119.3	100.4	111.9	111.4	100.4	112.3	111.9	
Q3	102.4	106.0	103.0	107.2	101.7	106.5	121.5	121.3	100.2	113.6	113.6	100.0	113.9	114.0	
Q4	95.2	98.9	94.1	97.9	93.3	97.8	118.5	120.0	98.8	117.7	119.6	98.4	117.8	119.3	
2009 Q1	88.1	91.3	86.5	90.0	87.0	90.4	120.4	122.4	98.4	122.1	123.8	98.6	121.6	123.0	
2007 Nov	103.1	111.4	104.4	111.3	104.4	111.0	107.0	107.3	99.7	103.3	103.5	99.8	103.6	103.9	
Dec	97.8	107.0	98.5	107.9	98.3	109.1	108.6	108.7	99.9	104.6	104.7	99.9	105.0	105.1	
2008 Jan	102.5	109.5	104.1	110.7	104.4	110.6	110.6	111.6	99.1	106.4	107.3	99.2	106.8	107.7	
Feb	103.0	108.9	104.3	111.0	103.6	109.2	112.1	112.9	99.3	107.7	108.3	99.4	108.1	108.8	
Mar	101.5	106.5	102.7	107.9	102.7	108.9	114.4	114.6	99.8	109.1	109.3	99.8	109.5	109.8	
Apr	102.9	107.1	104.1	108.9	103.7	107.8	117.7	117.2	100.4	111.5	110.9	100.5	111.9	111.4	
May	101.4	105.6	102.1	107.2	101.5	106.9	120.0	119.6	100.3	112.0	111.6	100.4	112.4	112.1	
Jun	102.5	106.6	102.7	107.6	101.9	107.0	121.6	121.1	100.4	112.1	111.8	100.3	112.6	112.3	
Jul	106.3	108.8	107.9	109.0	105.7	108.1	122.1	121.4	100.6	112.5	112.0	100.4	113.0	112.6	
Aug	99.5	105.2	100.1	107.3	99.3	106.4	121.4	121.2	100.2	113.7	113.6	100.1	114.0	114.0	
Sep	101.5	103.9	101.1	105.3	100.1	105.1	121.0	121.2	99.8	114.6	115.2	99.5	114.8	115.4	
Oct	99.6	102.0	99.5	101.7	98.5	101.0	118.6	119.9	98.9	115.1	117.0	98.4	115.2	117.0	
Nov	93.5	99.0	91.9	98.3	90.6	98.5	118.2	119.9	98.6	117.5	119.6	98.2	117.5	119.2	
Dec	92.5	95.8	91.0	93.6	90.9	94.0	118.8	120.3	98.8	120.6	122.3	98.6	120.6	121.8	
2009 Jan	87.3	93.7	84.8	91.8	85.8	91.6	119.9	121.4	98.8	122.0	123.4	98.9	121.8	122.8	
Feb	89.6	91.0	88.6	90.9	89.6	91.7	119.3	122.0	97.8	121.0	123.4	98.1	120.2	122.4	
Mar	87.3	89.2	86.0	87.2	85.5	87.8	121.9	123.7	98.5	123.4	124.6	99.0	122.9	123.9	
Apr	89.4	91.0	87.8	90.9	88.0	90.5	119.7	122.4	97.8	120.4	122.8	98.0	120.2	122.3	
Percentage change, latest month compared with:															
Previous month	2.4	2.0	2.1	4.2	2.9	3.1	-1.8	-1.1		-2.4	-1.4		-2.2	-1.3	
3 months ended:															
2008 Apr	102.5	107.5	103.7	109.3	103.3	108.6	114.7	114.9	99.8	109.4	109.5	99.9	109.8	110.0	
2009 Jan	91.1	96.2	89.2	94.6	89.1	94.7	119.0	120.5	98.7	120.0	121.8	98.6	120.0	121.3	
2009 Apr	88.8	90.4	87.5	89.7	87.7	90.0	120.3	122.7	98.0	121.6	123.6	98.4	121.1	122.9	
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:															
Previous 3 months	-2.6	-6.0	-2.0	-5.2	-1.6	-5.0	1.1	1.8		1.3	1.5		0.9	1.3	
Same 3 months last year	-13.4	-15.9	-15.7	-17.9	-15.1	-17.2	4.9	6.8		11.1	12.9		10.3	11.7	

¹ These are provisional estimates subject to fluctuations when new or amended data become available. [†] Earliest date for revisions to trade in goods is January 2004.

² These are defined as ships, aircraft, precious stones and silver.

³ Export price index as a percentage of the import price index.

4 GROWTH RATES FOR VOLUME AND PRICE INDICES ¹ (TRADE IN GOODS)

Balance of Payments basis

Indices 2005=100

	Volume (seasonally adjusted)						Price index (not seasonally adjusted)					
	Total		Total excluding oil		Total excluding oil and erratics ²		Total		Total excluding oil		Total excluding oil and erratics ²	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
2002	-1.2	4.6	-0.9	5.5	-1.3	5.6	-0.1	-2.6	-0.1	-3.2	0.4	-2.9
2003	-0.2	1.9	0.1	1.4	-1.9	1.8	1.9	-0.6	1.3	-1.0	2.4	-0.9
2004	1.5	7.0	2.1	6.3	2.1	6.8	-	-0.5	-1.3	-1.4	-1.2	-1.0
2005	8.8	7.0	9.8	7.5	10.4	7.8	4.4	4.5	1.5	2.0	1.6	1.8
2006	11.5	10.4	12.6	11.3	13.6	11.1	2.5	3.5	1.1	2.1	1.1	2.1
2007	-10.0	-2.9	-10.5	-3.5	-11.5	-3.7	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.2
2008	0.2	-2.1	0.2	-1.6	-0.3	-1.6	14.1	13.2	10.7	9.9	10.8	9.9
2006 Q4	-0.5	0.3	-	0.7	-1.8	0.4	-2.7	-1.5	-1.0	0.1	-1.0	0.1
2007 Q1	-1.5	1.4	-1.5	0.9	-0.7	1.0	0.7	0.1	1.1	0.5	1.1	0.6
Q2	0.9	-1.8	0.4	-1.0	-1.0	-0.5	1.8	1.8	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5
Q3	0.9	5.2	1.3	4.8	2.8	4.6	0.7	0.4	-	-0.4	0.1	-0.3
Q4	-0.5	0.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.5	0.7	3.6	2.6	2.2	1.1	2.4	1.1
2008 Q1	1.6	-1.1	2.2	0.2	2.3	-0.3	5.0	5.3	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.5
Q2	-	-1.8	-0.7	-1.8	-1.2	-2.2	6.6	5.6	3.9	2.9	3.9	2.8
Q3	0.1	-0.4	-	-0.6	-0.7	-0.7	1.4	1.7	1.5	2.0	1.4	1.9
Q4	-7.0	-6.7	-8.6	-8.7	-8.3	-8.2	-2.5	-1.1	3.6	5.3	3.4	4.6
2009 Q1	-7.5	-7.7	-8.1	-8.1	-6.8	-7.6	1.6	2.0	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.1
Monthly:												
2007 Nov	1.8	1.3	2.7	1.3	3.3	1.2	1.6	1.4	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5
Dec	-5.1	-3.9	-5.7	-3.1	-5.8	-1.7	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.2
2008 Jan	4.8	2.3	5.7	2.6	6.2	1.4	1.8	2.7	1.7	2.5	1.7	2.5
Feb	0.5	-0.5	0.2	0.3	-0.8	-1.3	1.4	1.2	1.2	0.9	1.2	1.0
Mar	-1.5	-2.2	-1.5	-2.8	-0.9	-0.3	2.1	1.5	1.3	0.9	1.3	0.9
Apr	1.4	0.6	1.4	0.9	1.0	-1.0	2.9	2.3	2.2	1.5	2.2	1.5
May	-1.5	-1.4	-1.9	-1.6	-2.1	-0.8	2.0	2.0	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.6
Jun	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.1	1.3	1.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Jul	3.7	2.1	5.1	1.3	3.7	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3
Aug	-6.4	-3.3	-7.2	-1.6	-6.1	-1.6	-0.6	-0.2	1.1	1.4	0.9	1.2
Sep	2.0	-1.2	1.0	-1.9	0.8	-1.2	-0.3	-	0.8	1.4	0.7	1.2
Oct	-1.9	-1.8	-1.6	-3.4	-1.6	-3.9	-2.0	-1.1	0.4	1.6	0.3	1.4
Nov	-6.1	-2.9	-7.6	-3.3	-8.0	-2.5	-0.3	-	2.1	2.2	2.0	1.9
Dec	-1.1	-3.2	-1.0	-4.8	0.3	-4.6	0.5	0.3	2.6	2.3	2.6	2.2
2009 Jan	-5.6	-2.2	-6.8	-1.9	-5.6	-2.6	0.9	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.0	0.8
Feb	2.6	-2.9	4.5	-1.0	4.4	0.1	-0.5	0.5	-0.8	-	-1.3	-0.3
Mar	-2.6	-2.0	-2.9	-4.1	-4.6	-4.3	2.2	1.4	2.0	1.0	2.2	1.2
Apr	2.4	2.0	2.1	4.2	2.9	3.1	-1.8	-1.1	-2.4	-1.4	-2.2	-1.3
3 month on 3 month comparison:												
2007 Nov	-0.2	2.4	-0.4	1.6	-0.3	1.6	2.7	1.6	1.9	0.6	2.0	0.6
Dec	-0.5	-	-	0.1	-0.5	0.7	3.5	2.6	2.2	1.1	2.4	1.1
2008 Jan	-0.1	-0.4	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.9	4.4	4.0	2.7	2.2	2.8	2.3
Feb	-0.3	-1.9	0.5	-0.4	0.2	-0.3	4.6	4.7	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.5
Mar	1.6	-1.1	2.1	0.2	2.3	-0.3	5.0	5.4	4.1	4.4	4.1	4.4
Apr	1.3	-1.6	1.3	-0.6	0.9	-1.5	5.5	5.2	4.5	4.1	4.5	4.2
May	0.8	-1.9	0.7	-1.7	0.5	-1.6	6.3	5.5	4.4	3.6	4.3	3.6
Jun	-0.1	-1.7	-0.7	-1.8	-1.2	-2.1	6.6	5.5	3.8	2.9	3.9	2.9
Jul	0.9	-0.5	0.5	-1.2	-0.3	-1.2	5.7	5.0	2.5	2.1	2.6	2.1
Aug	0.8	0.4	0.6	-	-0.3	-0.6	3.7	3.5	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Sep	0.2	-0.4	0.1	-0.6	-0.7	-0.7	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.8
Oct	-3.1	-3.1	-3.8	-2.9	-3.6	-3.0	-0.7	0.1	2.0	3.1	1.8	2.8
Nov	-4.4	-4.9	-5.9	-5.7	-5.8	-5.3	-2.0	-0.7	2.6	4.3	2.3	3.7
Dec	-7.1	-6.6	-8.6	-8.7	-8.2	-8.2	-2.4	-1.0	3.6	5.3	3.4	4.7
2009 Jan	-9.1	-7.3	-11.0	-9.7	-10.3	-9.1	-1.1	-0.2	4.9	5.6	4.6	5.0
Feb	-8.6	-8.0	-9.6	-9.5	-7.9	-9.0	0.1	0.7	4.7	4.9	4.3	4.4
Mar	-7.5	-7.7	-8.1	-8.1	-6.8	-7.6	1.5	1.9	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.1
Apr	-2.6	-6.0	-2.0	-5.2	-1.6	-5.0	1.1	1.8	1.3	1.5	0.9	1.3

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² These are defined as ships, aircraft, precious stones and silver.

5 VOLUME INDICES WITH COUNTRIES INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE EU (TRADE IN GOODS)¹

Balance of Payments basis

Indices 2005=100 seasonally adjusted

	Trade in goods with EU countries ³						Trade in goods with Non-EU countries					
	Total		Total excluding oil		Total excluding oil and erratics ²		Total		Total excluding oil		Total excluding oil & erratics ²	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	LGCT	LGDL	LKUL	LKVD	SHBS	SHCO	LGEH	LGFA	LKVZ	LKWS	SHDJ	SHED
2006	120.7	113.7	122.1	113.8	123.3	114.2	98.2	106.6	99.1	108.1	99.3	106.6
2007	101.7	103.1	101.6	102.4	101.8	103.0	98.7	112.2	99.8	114.4	98.8	113.3
2008	96.6	99.8	96.0	99.3	96.0	99.9	105.6	111.2	107.2	114.7	105.8	113.5
2006 Q4	103.8	100.2	103.3	99.8	103.2	100.2	96.8	109.4	98.7	111.8	97.2	109.4
2007 Q1	101.4	101.9	101.5	101.0	101.1	101.3	96.9	110.8	97.9	112.4	98.4	110.3
Q2	99.7	100.2	99.2	99.5	99.9	99.9	100.9	108.7	101.5	111.9	97.8	111.0
Q3	103.3	104.5	102.6	104.2	102.9	104.8	98.5	115.4	100.3	117.2	100.5	115.7
Q4	102.4	105.6	103.3	105.0	103.3	105.8	98.5	113.9	99.4	116.0	98.7	116.1
2008 Q1	100.2	105.3	100.4	105.0	100.6	105.8	104.9	111.6	107.6	116.5	107.3	115.0
Q2	98.2	102.6	98.1	102.3	97.9	103.0	107.5	110.9	109.0	115.7	108.1	113.7
Q3	97.4	100.3	97.1	100.2	96.8	100.8	109.0	113.0	110.6	117.2	108.2	115.5
Q4	90.6	90.8	88.4	89.9	88.7	90.2	101.2	109.2	101.4	109.3	99.5	109.8
2009 Q1	85.4	84.2	82.9	82.9	82.8	83.4	91.8	100.1	91.2	100.1	92.6	101.3
2007 Oct	102.8	103.8	103.9	103.5	103.7	104.4	99.5	117.6	99.1	118.9	97.7	117.9
Nov	103.5	107.1	104.7	106.2	104.8	107.0	102.3	116.5	103.8	118.3	103.7	117.0
Dec	101.0	106.0	101.2	105.4	101.3	106.1	93.8	107.7	95.3	110.9	94.6	113.3
2008 Jan	101.8	107.8	102.8	107.8	102.8	108.8	103.3	111.2	105.7	114.6	106.4	113.1
Feb	100.0	104.5	99.6	104.3	99.6	105.1	106.6	114.1	109.7	120.3	108.5	115.2
Mar	98.7	103.6	98.7	102.8	99.4	103.6	104.8	109.6	107.3	114.7	107.0	116.8
Apr	100.2	104.1	100.0	103.8	99.9	104.2	106.5	110.3	109.2	116.0	108.6	113.1
May	95.6	101.6	95.1	101.0	94.7	102.0	108.8	110.4	110.9	115.9	110.3	114.3
Jun	98.9	102.2	99.3	102.1	99.2	102.7	107.1	112.0	106.9	115.3	105.3	113.6
Jul	97.8	102.3	99.1	101.7	99.2	102.2	117.2	117.0	118.9	119.5	114.2	117.4
Aug	96.3	98.7	95.6	98.7	95.0	99.5	103.6	113.2	105.8	119.6	104.8	117.2
Sep	98.0	100.0	96.5	100.2	96.1	100.7	106.1	108.8	107.1	112.6	105.6	111.9
Oct	92.4	95.0	92.3	94.4	92.8	94.8	108.8	110.8	108.5	112.3	106.0	110.6
Nov	93.1	90.7	89.7	89.7	89.6	89.8	94.3	109.5	95.0	110.6	92.1	112.1
Dec	86.3	86.8	83.2	85.6	83.8	85.9	100.6	107.3	100.8	105.0	100.5	106.7
2009 Jan	90.0	83.7	86.7	82.8	86.7	83.1	84.0	106.2	82.6	104.8	84.6	104.8
Feb	85.8	85.1	83.9	83.8	84.2	84.3	94.7	98.2	94.8	101.0	96.9	103.3
Mar	80.3	83.7	78.2	82.2	77.6	82.8	96.6	96.0	96.2	94.4	96.2	95.7
Apr	86.1	84.1	84.8	83.2	84.5	83.7	93.8	99.6	91.8	102.0	92.7	101.4
Percentage change on previous month:												
2009 Apr	7.2	0.5	8.4	1.2	8.9	1.1	-2.9	3.8	-4.6	8.1	-3.6	6.0
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	99.6	104.1	99.4	103.6	99.6	104.3	106.0	111.3	108.7	117.0	108.0	115.0
2009 Jan	89.8	87.1	86.5	86.0	86.7	86.3	93.0	107.7	92.8	106.8	92.4	107.9
2009 Apr	84.1	84.3	82.3	83.1	82.1	83.6	95.0	97.9	94.3	99.1	95.3	100.1
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	-6.4	-3.2	-4.9	-3.4	-5.3	-3.1	2.2	-9.0	1.6	-7.2	3.1	-7.2
Same 3 months last year	-15.6	-19.0	-17.2	-19.8	-17.6	-19.8	-10.3	-12.0	-13.3	-15.3	-11.8	-13.0

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² These are defined as ships, aircraft, precious stones and silver.

³ Includes trade with the Canary Islands, French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Martinique and Reunion.

6 PRICE INDICES WITH COUNTRIES INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE EU (TRADE IN GOODS)¹

Balance of Payments basis

Indices 2005=100 not seasonally adjusted

	Trade in goods with EU countries ³						Trade in goods with Non-EU countries					
	Total		Total excluding oil		Total excluding oil and erratics ²		Total		Total excluding oil		Total excluding oil & erratics ²	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	LGCR	LGDJ	LKUJ	LKVB	SHBQ	SHCM	LGEF	LGEY	LKVX	LKWQ	SHDH	SHEB
2006	102.5	102.1	100.9	101.7	101.0	101.7	102.5	105.0	101.3	102.5	101.2	102.6
2007	103.6	103.4	101.8	102.9	102.1	102.9	103.2	105.8	101.8	102.6	101.8	103.6
2008	120.4	113.2	114.7	111.5	115.1	111.5	114.5	124.9	109.8	115.3	109.8	116.3
2006 Q4	100.1	102.2	99.8	102.1	100.0	102.1	100.2	102.2	100.0	101.7	100.0	102.2
2007 Q1	100.7	101.8	100.8	101.8	101.1	101.8	101.1	102.6	101.3	103.0	101.1	103.9
Q2	102.8	103.1	101.3	102.7	101.6	102.7	102.4	105.2	101.3	102.9	101.2	103.9
Q3	103.4	103.5	101.1	102.8	101.5	102.8	103.2	105.8	101.5	101.9	101.5	103.0
Q4	107.6	105.3	103.8	104.2	104.3	104.2	106.1	109.6	103.1	102.6	103.3	103.8
2008 Q1	114.1	109.5	109.1	108.1	109.6	108.0	109.8	117.4	105.8	108.4	105.8	109.7
Q2	123.2	113.3	114.6	110.9	115.2	110.9	114.9	126.8	107.9	111.8	108.1	113.3
Q3	124.9	114.2	116.4	111.9	116.8	111.9	116.5	130.1	109.5	115.8	109.5	117.0
Q4	119.6	115.6	118.8	115.3	118.9	115.3	116.8	125.2	115.9	125.3	115.8	125.1
2009 Q1	120.5	118.1	122.5	118.5	122.3	118.3	120.0	127.2	121.5	130.9	120.4	129.7
2007 Oct	105.6	104.3	102.7	103.4	103.1	103.4	104.9	107.6	102.7	102.0	102.9	103.1
Nov	107.7	105.3	103.6	104.1	104.1	104.1	105.9	109.6	102.7	102.2	102.8	103.4
Dec	109.5	106.3	105.0	105.1	105.6	105.0	107.4	111.5	104.0	103.6	104.2	104.8
2008 Jan	111.8	108.4	107.2	107.1	107.7	107.0	108.9	115.5	105.3	107.3	105.5	108.6
Feb	113.8	109.4	109.0	108.0	109.5	108.0	109.7	117.2	105.9	108.5	105.9	109.8
Mar	116.8	110.7	111.1	109.1	111.6	109.0	110.8	119.4	106.1	109.3	106.1	110.7
Apr	120.9	112.5	114.2	110.6	114.8	110.6	113.1	122.9	107.5	110.9	107.7	112.4
May	123.5	113.5	114.7	111.0	115.3	111.0	115.2	127.3	108.1	112.1	108.2	113.6
Jun	125.2	114.0	114.9	111.1	115.5	111.1	116.4	130.2	108.1	112.5	108.3	114.0
Jul	126.1	114.1	115.7	111.3	116.4	111.3	116.4	130.7	107.9	112.8	108.1	114.5
Aug	124.6	114.2	116.3	111.9	116.7	111.9	116.6	130.1	109.7	116.0	109.7	117.1
Sep	123.9	114.4	117.1	112.5	117.4	112.5	116.6	129.6	110.9	118.7	110.8	119.5
Oct	120.3	114.3	116.5	113.3	116.7	113.3	116.0	126.6	112.9	121.8	112.7	122.1
Nov	118.8	115.0	118.1	114.8	118.2	114.8	117.1	125.7	116.3	126.0	116.2	125.7
Dec	119.6	117.4	121.8	117.9	121.8	117.8	117.3	123.4	118.6	128.2	118.6	127.6
2009 Jan	120.2	117.7	122.6	118.2	122.6	118.1	119.3	125.6	121.0	130.3	120.3	129.6
Feb	118.9	117.4	120.7	117.7	120.3	117.6	119.8	127.2	121.3	130.9	119.9	129.3
Mar	122.4	119.3	124.1	119.5	123.9	119.3	120.9	128.7	122.2	131.5	121.1	130.3
Apr	119.8	118.1	120.6	118.1	120.6	118.0	119.4	127.1	120.1	128.7	119.5	128.3
Percentage change on previous month:												
2009 Apr	-2.1	-1.0	-2.8	-1.2	-2.7	-1.1	-1.2	-1.2	-1.7	-2.1	-1.3	-1.5
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	117.2	110.9	111.4	109.2	112.0	109.2	111.2	119.8	106.5	109.6	106.6	111.0
2009 Jan	119.5	116.7	120.8	117.0	120.9	116.9	117.9	124.9	118.6	128.2	118.4	127.6
2009 Apr	120.4	118.3	121.8	118.4	121.6	118.3	120.0	127.7	121.2	130.4	120.2	129.3
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	0.7	1.3	0.8	1.3	0.6	1.2	1.8	2.2	2.2	1.7	1.5	1.3
Same 3 months last year	2.7	6.7	9.3	8.4	8.6	8.3	7.9	6.5	13.8	19.0	12.8	16.5

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³ Includes trade with the Canary Islands, French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Martinique and Reunion.

7 TRADE IN OIL¹

Balance of Payments basis

Seasonally adjusted

	Exports						Imports					
	Balance of Trade in Oil £ million	Crude oil (SITC 333)				Rest of SITC 33 £ million	Total £ million	Crude oil (SITC 333)			Rest of SITC 33 £ million	
		Total £ million	£ million	million tonnes	Avg value per tonne £			£ million	million tonnes	Avg value per tonne £		
	ENXQ	ELBL	BQNI	BOQM	BPBN	BOQN	ENXO	BQNJ	BQBH	BQAX	BQAY	
2006	-2 794	23 173	12 784	47.24	270	10 389	25 967	14 272	55.71	256	11 695	
2007	-4 031	22 756	12 634	46.94	269	10 122	26 787	13 602	52.63	258	13 185	
2008	-5 432	31 844	16 548	42.93	393	15 296	37 276	20 166	51.78	389	17 110	
2006 Q4	-798	4 945	2 613	10.50	249	2 332	5 743	2 914	12.89	226	2 829	
2007 Q1	-799	4 776	2 598	11.42	228	2 178	5 575	2 648	12.82	207	2 927	
Q2	-312	5 610	3 105	12.11	256	2 505	5 922	2 704	11.10	244	3 218	
Q3	-1 349	5 770	3 235	11.66	277	2 535	7 119	3 868	14.77	262	3 251	
Q4	-1 571	6 600	3 696	11.75	315	2 904	8 171	4 382	13.94	314	3 789	
2008 Q1	-1 222	7 128	3 967	10.80	367	3 161	8 350	4 349	12.12	359	4 001	
Q2	-1 523	8 979	4 745	10.58	448	4 234	10 502	5 978	13.84	432	4 524	
Q3	-1 765	9 027	4 193	9.07	466	4 834	10 792	6 026	12.76	472	4 766	
Q4	-922	6 710	3 643	12.48	293	3 067	7 632	3 813	13.06	292	3 819	
2009 Q1	-695	5 529	2 762	11.22	246	2 767	6 224	2 881	13.11	220	3 343	
2008 Nov	-189	2 271	1 221	4.07	300	1 050	2 460	1 197	4.25	282	1 263	
Dec	-267	1 909	1 058	4.29	247	851	2 176	1 060	4.71	225	1 116	
2009 Jan	-143	1 938	1 002	3.97	252	936	2 081	1 005	5.04	199	1 076	
Feb	-75	1 732	857	3.56	241	875	1 807	841	3.75	224	966	
Mar	-477	1 859	903	3.69	245	956	2 336	1 035	4.32	240	1 301	
Apr	8	2 018	1 123	4.36	258	895	2 010	919	3.62	254	1 091	
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	-1 038	7 521	4 183	10.90	384	3 338	8 559	4 581	12.28	373	3 978	
2009 Jan	-599	6 118	3 281	12.33	266	2 837	6 717	3 262	14.00	235	3 455	
2009 Apr	-544	5 609	2 883	11.61	248	2 726	6 153	2 795	11.69	239	3 358	
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months		-8.3	-12.1	-5.8	-6.9	-3.9	-8.4	-14.3	-16.5	1.7	-2.8	
Same 3 months last year		-25.4	-31.1	6.5	-35.4	-18.3	-28.1	-39.0	-4.8	-35.8	-15.6	

¹ Trade in petroleum and petroleum products. These figures differ from those published by the Department of Energy and Climate Change which are compiled from different sources and are on a time of shipment basis.

² The average value per tonne may reflect not only changes in price but also changes in the commodity mix.

[†] Earliest date for revisions to trade in goods is January 2004.

8 VALUE OF TRADE IN GOODS BY COMMODITY

Balance of Payments basis

£ million seasonally adjusted

	Food, beverages and tobacco (SITC 0 + 1)			Basic materials (SITC 2 + 4)			Fuels (SITC 3)		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	BOPL	BQAR	ELBE	BOPM	BQAS	ELBF	BOPN	BQAT	ELBG
2006	10 945	25 013	-14 068	4 892	7 887	-2 995	25 301	30 888	-5 587
2007	11 769	26 747	-14 978	5 523	9 561	-4 038	24 700	31 928	-7 228
2008	13 719	31 099	-17 380	6 625	11 014	-4 389	35 386	47 841	-12 455
2007 Q1	2 912	6 441	-3 529	1 312	2 193	-881	5 094	6 828	-1 734
Q2	2 881	6 546	-3 665	1 440	2 392	-952	6 105	6 892	-787
Q3	2 969	6 791	-3 822	1 286	2 495	-1 209	6 229	8 227	-1 998
Q4	3 007	6 969	-3 962	1 485	2 481	-996	7 272	9 981	-2 709
2008 Q1	3 286	7 462	-4 176	1 562	2 837	-1 275	7 739	10 695	-2 956
Q2	3 367	7 773	-4 406	1 920	2 869	-949	9 920	12 876	-2 956
Q3	3 544	7 807	-4 263	1 835	2 897	-1 062	10 040	13 562	-3 522
Q4	3 522	8 057	-4 535	1 308	2 411	-1 103	7 687	10 708	-3 021
2009 Q1	3 577	8 154	-4 577	1 180	1 966	-786	6 331	8 882	-2 551
2008 Nov	1 134	2 743	-1 609	382	812	-430	2 558	3 514	-956
Dec	1 212	2 657	-1 445	406	765	-359	2 181	3 207	-1 026
2009 Jan	1 196	2 659	-1 463	333	651	-318	2 327	3 141	-814
Feb	1 195	2 765	-1 570	415	659	-244	1 935	2 614	-679
Mar	1 186	2 730	-1 544	432	656	-224	2 069	3 127	-1 058
Apr	1 241	2 877	-1 636	494	648	-154	2 241	2 789	-548
3 months ended:									
2008 Apr	3 274	7 558	-4 284	1 730	2 766	-1 036	8 146	11 003	-2 857
2009 Jan	3 542	8 059	-4 517	1 121	2 228	-1 107	7 066	9 862	-2 796
2009 Apr	3 622	8 372	-4 750	1 341	1 963	-622	6 245	8 530	-2 285
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:									
Previous 3 months	2.3	3.9		19.6	-11.9		-11.6	-13.5	
Same 3 months last year	10.6	10.8		-22.5	-29.0		-23.3	-22.5	

	Semi-manufactures (SITC 5 + 6)			Finished manufactures (SITC 7 + 8)			Total manufactures (SITC 5 to 8)			Miscellaneous (SITC 9)		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	BOPO	BQAU	ELBH	BOPP	BQAV	ELBI	BPAN	BQBD	ELBJ	BOQL	BQAW	BQKX
2006	64 843	69 342	-4 499	136 366	184 745	-48 379	201 209	254 087	-52 878	1 286	2 070	-784
2007	68 269	74 437	-6 168	109 408	165 665	-56 257	177 677	240 102	-62 425	1 189	2 274	-1 085
2008	76 042	79 550	-3 508	117 559	171 899	-54 340	193 601	251 449	-57 848	1 771	2 576	-805
2007 Q1	16 947	18 179	-1 232	26 874	40 964	-14 090	43 821	59 143	-15 322	377	528	-151
Q2	16 933	18 412	-1 479	26 969	40 199	-13 230	43 902	58 611	-14 709	252	544	-292
Q3	17 268	19 131	-1 863	27 504	42 113	-14 609	44 772	61 244	-16 472	268	533	-265
Q4	17 121	18 715	-1 594	28 061	42 389	-14 328	45 182	61 104	-15 922	292	669	-377
2008 Q1	18 420	19 586	-1 166	29 309	43 141	-13 832	47 729	62 727	-14 998	358	624	-266
Q2	19 212	20 216	-1 004	29 595	43 502	-13 907	48 807	63 718	-14 911	414	597	-183
Q3	19 788	20 619	-831	29 939	43 734	-13 795	49 727	64 353	-14 626	514	548	-34
Q4	18 622	19 129	-507	28 716	41 522	-12 806	47 338	60 651	-13 313	485	807	-322
2009 Q1	17 893	18 813	-920	26 764	38 589	-11 825	44 657	57 402	-12 745	448	610	-162
2008 Nov	6 037	6 332	-295	9 460	13 829	-4 369	15 497	20 161	-4 664	148	262	-114
Dec	6 000	6 133	-133	9 480	13 466	-3 986	15 480	19 599	-4 119	161	322	-161
2009 Jan	5 850	6 331	-481	8 688	13 129	-4 441	14 538	19 460	-4 922	127	206	-79
Feb	6 222	6 359	-137	9 011	13 089	-4 078	15 233	19 448	-4 215	150	196	-46
Mar	5 821	6 123	-302	9 065	12 371	-3 306	14 886	18 494	-3 608	171	208	-37
Apr	6 058	6 432	-374	8 685	12 904	-4 219	14 743	19 336	-4 593	144	216	-72
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	18 491	19 975	-1 484	29 713	43 230	-13 517	48 204	63 205	-15 001	396	616	-220
2009 Jan	17 887	18 796	-909	27 628	40 424	-12 796	45 515	59 220	-13 705	436	790	-354
2009 Apr	18 101	18 914	-813	26 761	38 364	-11 603	44 862	57 278	-12 416	465	620	-155
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	1.2	0.6		-3.1	-5.1		-1.4	-3.3		6.7	-21.5	
Same 3 months last year	-2.1	-5.3		-9.9	-11.3		-6.9	-9.4		17.4	0.6	
EXCLUDING ERRATICS¹												
Previous 3 months	2.8	-1.9		-3.8	-3.9		-1.2	-3.2				
Same 3 months last year	-0.9	-5.0		-11.2	-12.1		-7.2	-9.9				

¹ These are defined as precious stones and silver in semi-manufactures, and as ships and aircraft in finished manufactures. [†] Earliest date for revisions to trade in goods is January 2004.

9 VOLUME INDICES (TRADE IN GOODS) BY COMMODITY ¹

Balance of Payments basis

Indices 2005=100 seasonally adjusted

	Food, beverages and tobacco (SITC 0 + 1)		Basic materials (SITC 2 + 4)		Fuels (SITC 3)		Semi-manufactures (SITC 5 + 6)		Finished manufactures (SITC 7 + 8)		Total manufactures (SITC 5 to 8)	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
<i>Weights²</i> (total trade = 1000)	50	84	19	24	102	93	283	224	541	569	824	792
	BPEM	BQBK	BAFB	BQBL	BAFC	BQBM	BAHA	BQBN	BAHY	ELAB	BOGT	ELAJ
2006	101	104	114	108	101	101	107	105	117	115	113	112
2007	105	106	128	122	97	108	113	111	94	105	100	107
2008	109	105	135	120	99	109	113	108	92	102	99	104
2006 Q4	105	106	129	118	95	99	112	110	95	102	101	104
2007 Q1	106	105	121	116	93	111	113	109	92	103	99	105
Q2	104	106	131	121	101	99	113	110	92	101	100	104
Q3	105	109	124	128	98	108	114	115	94	107	101	109
Q4	104	107	136	121	95	116	111	111	95	107	101	108
2008 Q1	109	109	132	130	90	106	116	112	96	106	103	108
Q2	108	108	146	125	98	101	116	111	94	105	101	106
Q3	111	104	145	122	100	104	116	111	93	104	101	106
Q4	107	101	116	103	108	123	105	99	86	94	92	96
2009 Q1	108	101	103	87	105	115	97	96	77	84	85	87
2008 Nov	103	104	101	105	110	121	102	100	85	94	91	96
Dec	109	98	105	94	109	133	99	94	84	89	89	91
2009 Jan	108	100	81	86	116	126	95	98	76	86	83	89
Feb	109	103	113	87	99	101	102	97	79	85	87	89
Mar	107	100	115	89	100	119	95	94	77	81	84	84
Apr	113	106	145	94	106	103	100	99	76	83	85	88
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	108	108	142	123	92	103	115	112	96	106	103	107
2009 Jan	107	101	96	95	112	127	99	97	82	90	88	92
2009 Apr	110	103	124	90	102	108	99	97	77	83	85	87
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	2.8	2.3	30.0	-5.3	-9.0	-15.0	0.3	-0.7	-5.3	-7.4	-2.7	-5.4
Same 3 months last year	1.9	-4.9	-12.4	-27.0	10.9	4.9	-13.9	-13.9	-19.7	-21.5	-16.9	-18.9
EXCLUDING ERRATICS³												
Previous 3 months							1.6	-1.7	-4.6	-6.4	-2.7	-5.1
Same 3 months last year							-11.5	-11.1	-20.0	-21.0	-16.7	-17.9

1 These are provisional estimates subject to fluctuations when new or amended data become available.

¹ Earliest date for revisions to trade in goods is January 2004.

2 The weights shown are in proportion to the total value of trade in 2005 and are used to combine the volume indices to calculate the totals for 2006 onwards. For 2005 and earlier, totals are calculated using the equivalent weights for the previous year (eg totals for 2005 use 2004 weights).

3 These are defined as precious stones and silver in semi-manufactures, and as ships and aircraft in finished manufactures.

10 PRICE INDICES (TRADE IN GOODS) BY COMMODITY¹

Balance of Payments Consistent basis

Indices 2005=100 not seasonally adjusted

	Food, beverages and tobacco (SITC 0 + 1)		Basic materials (SITC 2 + 4)		Fuels (SITC 3)		Semi-manufactures (SITC 5 + 6)		Finished manufactures (SITC 7 + 8)		Total manufactures (SITC 5 to 8)	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
<i>Weights²</i> <i>(total trade = 1000)</i>	50	84	19	24	102	93	283	224	541	569	824	792
	BPAI	ELAN	BPAW	ELAO	BPDU	ELAP	BQAA	ELAQ	BQAB	ELAR	BQAI	ELAY
2006	102	103	106	109	116	119	101	105	100	100	101	102
2007	106	108	110	118	119	122	102	107	101	100	101	102
2008	120	128	128	138	168	180	114	118	110	107	111	110
2006 Q4	102	104	106	113	103	107	101	106	99	100	100	101
2007 Q1	104	104	109	114	99	102	101	106	101	100	101	102
Q2	105	106	113	121	114	117	101	108	101	100	101	102
Q3	106	107	109	118	122	126	101	107	101	99	101	101
Q4	108	113	110	122	139	145	103	107	103	100	103	102
2008 Q1	114	119	122	132	156	166	107	112	106	103	107	106
Q2	120	125	135	140	194	205	112	117	109	105	110	108
Q3	121	130	134	140	196	209	115	119	111	106	112	110
Q4	124	136	121	139	128	139	120	123	115	113	117	115
2009 Q1	127	140	122	136	106	123	126	126	119	118	122	120
2008 Nov	124	136	120	137	127	139	120	122	115	113	117	115
Dec	128	138	123	143	104	115	124	125	118	116	120	118
2009 Jan	127	139	126	138	102	118	126	125	119	117	121	119
Feb	126	140	119	134	106	123	125	126	118	117	121	120
Mar	128	141	120	135	109	127	126	126	121	119	123	121
Apr	127	139	115	134	113	130	123	124	119	118	120	119
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	116	121	126	136	165	175	109	114	108	104	108	107
2009 Jan	126	138	123	139	111	124	123	124	117	115	119	117
2009 Apr	127	140	118	134	109	127	125	125	119	118	121	120
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	0.5	1.7	-4.1	-3.6	-1.5	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.7	2.3	1.7	2.3
Same 3 months last year	9.2	15.4	-6.6	-1.0	-33.6	-27.5	14.0	9.9	10.8	13.8	12.0	12.5
EXCLUDING ERRATICS³												
Previous 3 months							0.3	0.5	1.4	2.3	1.4	1.7
Same 3 months last year							11.4	7.5	10.9	12.9	11.7	11.2

1 These are provisional estimates subject to fluctuations when new or amended data become available.

¹ Earliest date for revisions to trade in goods is January 2004.

2 The weights shown are in proportion to the total value of trade in 2005 and are used to combine the volume indices to calculate the totals for 2006 onwards. For 2005 and earlier, totals are calculated using the equivalent weights for the previous year (eg totals for 2005 use 2004 weights).

3 These are defined as precious stones and silver in semi-manufactures, and as ships and aircraft in finished manufactures.

11 TRADE IN GOODS WITH SELECTED EU TRADING PARTNERS

Balance of Payments Consistent basis

£ million seasonally adjusted

	Belgium & Luxembourg			France			Germany			Irish Republic		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	CHNQ	CHNY	CHNF	ENYL	ENYP	ENYT	ENYO	ENYS	ENYW	CHNS	CHOA	CHNH
2006	15 082	18 183	-3 101	28 693	26 376	2 317	27 602	42 660	-15 058	17 480	10 770	6 710
2007	12 122	15 820	-3 698	18 103	21 896	-3 793	24 699	44 565	-19 866	17 801	11 338	6 463
2008	13 555	17 266	-3 711	18 057	23 046	-4 989	27 899	44 521	-16 622	19 011	12 252	6 759
2006 Q4	3 126	3 725	-599	5 153	5 385	-232	6 389	10 451	-4 062	4 286	2 703	1 583
2007 Q1	2 941	3 698	-757	4 543	5 470	-927	6 038	11 047	-5 009	4 303	2 782	1 521
Q2	2 896	3 584	-688	4 303	5 243	-940	5 992	11 227	-5 235	4 440	2 763	1 677
Q3	3 114	4 195	-1 081	4 522	5 545	-1 023	6 173	11 040	-4 867	4 489	2 996	1 493
Q4	3 171	4 343	-1 172	4 735	5 638	-903	6 496	11 251	-4 755	4 569	2 797	1 772
2008 Q1	3 265	4 292	-1 027	4 444	5 767	-1 323	6 933	11 580	-4 647	4 867	3 031	1 836
Q2	3 354	4 589	-1 235	4 419	6 113	-1 694	7 216	11 554	-4 338	5 044	3 106	1 938
Q3	3 594	4 404	-810	4 724	5 774	-1 050	7 076	11 237	-4 161	4 735	3 150	1 585
Q4	3 342	3 981	-639	4 470	5 392	-922	6 674	10 150	-3 476	4 365	2 965	1 400
2009 Q1	2 972	3 673	-701	4 203	5 078	-875	6 085	9 453	-3 368	4 050	3 113	937
2008 Nov	1 146	1 338	-192	1 524	1 758	-234	2 374	3 377	-1 003	1 448	968	480
Dec	892	1 241	-349	1 437	1 738	-301	2 073	3 221	-1 148	1 445	1 024	421
2009 Jan	1 152	1 222	-70	1 428	1 677	-249	2 098	3 136	-1 038	1 432	1 012	420
Feb	900	1 214	-314	1 425	1 684	-259	2 047	3 152	-1 105	1 346	1 136	210
Mar	920	1 237	-317	1 350	1 717	-367	1 940	3 165	-1 225	1 272	965	307
Apr	1 036	1 218	-182	1 381	1 738	-357	2 059	3 218	-1 159	1 378	1 024	354
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	3 209	4 357	-1 148	4 386	5 825	-1 439	7 045	11 508	-4 463	4 981	3 078	1 903
2009 Jan	3 190	3 801	-611	4 389	5 173	-784	6 545	9 734	-3 189	4 325	3 004	1 321
2009 Apr	2 856	3 669	-813	4 156	5 139	-983	6 046	9 535	-3 489	3 996	3 125	871
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	-10.5	-3.5		-5.3	-0.7		-7.6	-2.0		-7.6	4.0	
Same 3 months last year	-11.0	-15.8		-5.2	-11.8		-14.2	-17.1		-19.8	1.5	
	Italy			Netherlands			Spain			Sweden		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	CHNO	CHNW	CHOE	CHNP	CHNX	CHNE	CHNV	CHOD	CHNM	CHNA	CHND	CHVI
2006	9 494	12 775	-3 281	16 522	22 275	-5 753	12 295	12 144	151	5 246	5 985	-739
2007	9 189	13 316	-4 127	15 115	23 079	-7 964	9 979	10 489	-510	4 904	5 274	-370
2008	9 332	14 099	-4 767	19 812	25 829	-6 017	10 182	10 717	-535	5 187	6 789	-1 602
2006 Q4	2 152	3 128	-976	3 442	5 180	-1 738	2 421	2 468	-47	1 174	1 448	-274
2007 Q1	2 236	3 263	-1 027	3 324	5 358	-2 034	2 534	2 488	46	1 240	1 359	-119
Q2	2 236	3 254	-1 018	3 581	5 596	-2 015	2 420	2 478	-58	1 225	1 248	-23
Q3	2 321	3 377	-1 056	3 980	5 756	-1 776	2 516	2 727	-211	1 188	1 295	-107
Q4	2 396	3 422	-1 026	4 230	6 369	-2 139	2 509	2 796	-287	1 251	1 372	-121
2008 Q1	2 292	3 617	-1 325	4 602	6 547	-1 945	2 650	2 862	-212	1 331	1 705	-374
Q2	2 520	3 759	-1 239	5 192	6 601	-1 409	2 606	2 658	-52	1 325	1 820	-495
Q3	2 417	3 481	-1 064	5 543	6 723	-1 180	2 632	2 749	-117	1 359	1 732	-373
Q4	2 103	3 242	-1 139	4 475	5 958	-1 483	2 294	2 448	-154	1 172	1 532	-360
2009 Q1	2 155	2 975	-820	4 462	5 866	-1 404	2 290	2 304	-14	1 059	1 264	-205
2008 Nov	712	1 060	-348	1 486	1 997	-511	784	819	-35	387	510	-123
Dec	603	1 066	-463	1 528	1 949	-421	753	769	-16	363	471	-108
2009 Jan	708	980	-272	1 693	2 008	-315	747	736	11	337	385	-48
Feb	738	1 020	-282	1 371	1 950	-579	818	783	35	348	418	-70
Mar	709	975	-266	1 398	1 908	-510	725	785	-60	374	461	-87
Apr	690	988	-298	1 339	1 942	-603	761	800	-39	390	414	-24
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	2 441	3 700	-1 259	4 764	6 547	-1 783	2 639	2 790	-151	1 306	1 772	-466
2009 Jan	2 023	3 106	-1 083	4 707	5 954	-1 247	2 284	2 324	-40	1 087	1 366	-279
2009 Apr	2 137	2 983	-846	4 108	5 800	-1 692	2 304	2 368	-64	1 112	1 293	-181
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	5.6	-4.0		-12.7	-2.6		0.9	1.9		2.3	-5.3	
Same 3 months last year	-12.5	-19.4		-13.8	-11.4		-12.7	-15.1		-14.9	-27.0	

† Earliest date for revisions to trade in goods is January 2004.

12 TRADE IN GOODS WITH SELECTED NON-EU TRADING PARTNERS

Balance of Payments Consistent basis

£ million seasonally adjusted

	Canada			China			Hong Kong			Japan		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	EOBC	EOBW	EOCQ	ERDN	ERDZ	EREL	ERDG	ERDS	EREE	EOBD	EOBX	EOCR
2006	3 894	4 954	-1 060	3 264	15 237	-11 973	2 864	7 338	-4 474	4 109	7 857	-3 748
2007	3 291	5 793	-2 502	3 860	18 734	-14 874	2 726	6 939	-4 213	3 866	7 885	-4 019
2008	3 251	5 786	-2 535	5 072	23 107	-18 035	3 668	8 057	-4 389	3 897	8 512	-4 615
2006 Q4	914	1 245	-331	856	4 000	-3 144	677	1 828	-1 151	995	1 913	-918
2007 Q1	945	1 221	-276	883	4 694	-3 811	606	1 738	-1 132	953	2 057	-1 104
Q2	825	1 660	-835	922	4 444	-3 522	651	1 627	-976	981	1 920	-939
Q3	764	1 631	-867	987	4 624	-3 637	728	1 751	-1 023	956	1 957	-1 001
Q4	757	1 281	-524	1 068	4 972	-3 904	741	1 823	-1 082	976	1 951	-975
2008 Q1	673	1 262	-589	1 295	5 273	-3 978	1 105	1 918	-813	992	2 040	-1 048
Q2	811	1 535	-724	1 300	5 456	-4 156	875	1 969	-1 094	1 029	2 253	-1 224
Q3	875	1 537	-662	1 313	6 036	-4 723	854	2 116	-1 262	966	2 077	-1 111
Q4	892	1 452	-560	1 164	6 342	-5 178	834	2 054	-1 220	910	2 142	-1 232
2009 Q1	848	1 295	-447	1 181	6 077	-4 896	855	1 953	-1 098	941	1 645	-704
2008 Oct	294	513	-219	426	2 066	-1 640	265	691	-426	313	712	-399
Nov	286	496	-210	323	2 130	-1 807	292	704	-412	273	705	-432
Dec	312	443	-131	415	2 146	-1 731	277	659	-382	324	725	-401
2009 Jan	291	464	-173	317	2 240	-1 923	281	669	-388	320	588	-268
Feb	275	395	-120	406	2 106	-1 700	276	656	-380	308	543	-235
Mar	282	436	-154	458	1 731	-1 273	298	628	-330	313	514	-201
Apr	248	433	-185	405	2 077	-1 672	323	645	-322	289	507	-218
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	697	1 303	-606	1 346	5 384	-4 038	969	1 965	-996	1 000	2 206	-1 206
2009 Jan	889	1 403	-514	1 055	6 516	-5 461	850	2 032	-1 182	917	2 018	-1 101
2009 Apr	805	1 264	-459	1 269	5 914	-4 645	897	1 929	-1 032	910	1 564	-654
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	-9.4	-9.9		20.3	-9.2		5.5	-5.1		-0.8	-22.5	
Same 3 months last year	15.5	-3.0		-5.7	9.8		-7.4	-1.8		-9.0	-29.1	
	Norway			South Korea			Switzerland			USA inc Puerto Rico		
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
	EPLX	EPMX	EPNX	ERDM	ERDY	EREK	EPLV	EPMV	EPNV	J9C5	J9C6	J9C4
2006	2 125	14 453	-12 328	1 746	3 069	-1 323	4 189	4 372	-183	32 287	25 830	6 457
2007	2 697	14 316	-11 619	1 914	3 073	-1 159	3 808	4 746	-938	32 274	26 095	6 179
2008	2 847	21 599	-18 752	2 543	3 498	-955	4 654	5 253	-599	35 351	25 848	9 503
2006 Q4	530	2 908	-2 378	479	752	-273	896	1 100	-204	7 646	6 678	968
2007 Q1	563	3 249	-2 686	430	750	-320	872	1 192	-320	8 007	6 516	1 491
Q2	721	3 175	-2 454	496	718	-222	922	1 121	-199	7 988	6 521	1 467
Q3	617	3 550	-2 933	499	808	-309	1 025	1 256	-231	8 110	6 621	1 489
Q4	796	4 342	-3 546	489	797	-308	989	1 177	-188	8 169	6 437	1 732
2008 Q1	686	5 306	-4 620	525	889	-364	960	1 279	-319	8 642	6 185	2 457
Q2	698	6 034	-5 336	833	895	-62	1 352	1 268	84	9 164	6 283	2 881
Q3	687	5 497	-4 810	633	836	-203	1 147	1 363	-216	9 041	6 761	2 280
Q4	776	4 762	-3 986	552	878	-326	1 195	1 343	-148	8 504	6 619	1 885
2009 Q1	666	4 231	-3 565	437	789	-352	925	1 286	-361	8 744	7 141	1 603
2008 Oct	267	1 404	-1 137	231	332	-101	366	450	-84	3 052	2 205	847
Nov	264	1 779	-1 515	143	315	-172	379	467	-88	2 494	2 120	374
Dec	245	1 579	-1 334	178	231	-53	450	426	24	2 958	2 294	664
2009 Jan	150	1 569	-1 419	162	293	-131	251	386	-135	2 626	2 471	155
Feb	207	1 221	-1 014	152	249	-97	343	473	-130	3 231	2 289	942
Mar	309	1 441	-1 132	123	247	-124	331	427	-96	2 887	2 381	506
Apr	238	1 235	-997	202	303	-101	339	482	-143	2 751	2 250	501
3 months ended:												
2008 Apr	746	5 279	-4 533	518	902	-384	1 082	1 294	-212	8 742	6 219	2 523
2009 Jan	659	4 927	-4 268	483	839	-356	1 080	1 279	-199	8 078	6 885	1 193
2009 Apr	754	3 897	-3 143	477	799	-322	1 013	1 382	-369	8 869	6 920	1 949
Percentage change, latest 3 months compared with:												
Previous 3 months	14.4	-20.9		-1.2	-4.8		-6.2	8.1		9.8	0.5	
Same 3 months last year	1.1	-26.2		-7.9	-11.4		-6.4	6.8		1.5	11.3	

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13R SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

Balance of Payments Basis

£ million

	Trade in goods ¹			Trade in services (seasonally adjusted) ²			Trade in goods & services (seasonally adjusted)			Growth rates for volume and price indices (2005=100)			
	Value (seasonally adjusted) £ million			£ Million			£ Million			Volume excluding oil and erratics		Prices	
	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	BOKG	BOKH	BOKI	IKBB	IKBC	IKBD	IKBH	IKBI	IKBJ				
2006	-2	-2	-	-	-	-	-2	-2	-	-1.1	-0.6	-0.6	-0.2
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	1.0	-0.4	-0.3
2008	14	15	-1	-	-	-	14	15	-1	-0.1	0.1	-1.2	0.3
2006 Q3	-214	-179	-35	-	-	-	-214	-179	-35	2.0	1.0	-0.2	-0.2
Q4	228	-32	260	-	-	-	228	-32	260	1.0	1.0	0.4	-
2007 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.1	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.1
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.1	-0.5	0.1
2008 Q1	-24	404	-428	-	-	-	-24	404	-428	0.3	0.4	-0.3	-
Q2	234	336	-102	-	-	-	234	336	-102	0.2	-0.1	-0.8	0.1
Q3	42	-70	112	-	-	-	42	-70	112	-0.6	-0.3	0.1	0.2
Q4	-238	-655	417	-	-	-	-238	-655	417	-0.7	-0.5	1.6	-0.1
2009 Q1	373	56	317	1 646	1 440	206	2 019	1 496	523	1.2	0.1	0.6	-
2006 Aug	-20	-16	-4	-	-	-	-20	-16	-4	1.3	0.4	-	-
Sep	-57	-37	-20	-	-	-	-57	-37	-20	0.5	0.3	0.5	-0.1
Oct	32	-14	46	-	-	-	32	-14	46	-	0.4	0.1	-
Nov	140	57	83	-	-	-	140	57	83	1.2	0.7	-	0.1
Dec	56	-75	131	-	-	-	56	-75	131	-0.9	-1.0	-0.2	-0.1
2007 Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.4	0.4	-
Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.2	-
Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.2	-0.3	-
Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.2	-	-0.1
May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1
Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.2	-0.2	0.1
Aug	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.2	-0.5	0.1	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-0.1	-
Oct	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.2	-0.2	0.1
Nov	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-0.4	0.1
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.1	0.3	-0.1	-
2008 Jan	-31	-76	45	-	-	-	-31	-76	45	0.1	-0.3	-0.1	0.1
Feb	-38	144	-182	-	-	-	-38	144	-182	-	0.3	-	-
Mar	45	336	-291	-	-	-	45	336	-291	0.6	0.9	-0.1	-
Apr	101	125	-24	-	-	-	101	125	-24	0.4	-0.8	-0.2	-
May	27	67	-40	-	-	-	27	67	-40	-1.0	-0.2	-0.5	-
Jun	106	144	-38	-	-	-	106	144	-38	0.4	0.3	-0.3	0.1
Jul	57	41	16	-	-	-	57	41	16	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-
Aug	-128	-76	-52	-	-	-	-128	-76	-52	-0.8	-0.1	0.5	-
Sep	113	-35	148	-	-	-	113	-35	148	0.5	-0.2	0.4	-0.1
Oct	55	-174	229	-	-	-	55	-174	229	-0.3	-0.1	0.7	-
Nov	-188	-254	66	-	-	-	-188	-254	66	-0.9	-0.3	0.6	0.1
Dec	-105	-227	122	-	-	-	-105	-227	122	0.6	-	0.7	-0.2
2009 Jan	184	65	119	492	287	205	676	352	324	1.5	0.4	-0.1	-
Feb	135	55	80	772	474	298	907	529	378	-0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-
Mar	54	-64	118	382	679	-297	436	615	-179	-0.8	-0.3	0.2	-0.1
Apr	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3 month on 3 month comparison:													
2007 Nov										0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-
Dec										0.1	-	-0.6	0.1
2008 Jan										0.1	0.2	-0.7	0.2
Feb										-0.1	0.3	-0.5	0.1
Mar										0.2	0.5	-0.3	0.1
Apr										0.5	0.5	-0.3	-
May										0.5	0.4	-0.5	0.1
Jun										0.2	-0.1	-0.8	-
Jul										-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	0.1
Aug										-0.4	-0.2	-0.5	0.2
Sep										-0.6	-0.3	0.1	0.1
Oct										-0.5	-0.4	1.0	0.1
Nov										-0.6	-0.6	1.4	-
Dec										-0.7	-0.5	1.8	-
2009 Jan										-0.2	-0.3	1.7	-
Feb										0.8	-	1.3	-0.1
Mar										1.2	0.2	0.5	-0.1
Apr									

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