



UK-Croatia trade statistics

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1 UK trade with Croatia

1.1 Trade in goods

Table 1 shows the UK's trade in goods with Croatia in value terms and as a percentage of the UK's total trade in goods from 1993:

Table 1
UK trade in goods with Croatia

\$million

	Imports	Exports	Balance	As % of UK total	
				Imports	Exports
1993	46	64	18	0.0%	0.0%
1994	63	218	154	0.0%	0.1%
1995	58	365	307	0.0%	0.2%
1996	57	211	153	0.0%	0.1%
1997	59	176	117	0.0%	0.1%
1998	71	175	105	0.0%	0.1%
1999	67	128	61	0.0%	0.0%
2000	64	112	49	0.0%	0.0%
2001	76	127	51	0.0%	0.0%
2002	105	142	37	0.0%	0.1%
2003	82	228	146	0.0%	0.1%
2004	100	231	132	0.0%	0.1%
2005	98	207	110	0.0%	0.1%
2006	121	262	141	0.0%	0.1%
2007	149	314	165	0.0%	0.1%
2008	161	383	222	0.0%	0.1%
2009	121	317	196	0.0%	0.1%
2010	143	240	97	0.0%	0.1%
2011	165	223	58	0.0%	0.0%

Sources: IMF, *DOTS* via ESDS



The chart and table above show that Croatia is a relatively small trading partner for the UK. The UK has had a trade in goods surplus with Croatia over the whole period. Croatia had become a relatively more important export market for the UK since 2000.¹ However, since 2008 (following the global economic crisis) Croatia has become a declining market for UK goods exports.

1.2 Trade in goods and services

From the (67) countries that can be identified from the *Pink Book*, in 2011, Croatia was the 60th most important destination for UK goods (£153 million or 0.1% of all UK goods exports) and the 59th most important destination for UK services (£103 million or 0.1% of all UK services exports).

Croatia was the 62nd most important source of goods for the UK (£106 million or less than 0.1% of all UK goods imports) and the 47th most important source of services (£232 million or 0.2% of all UK services imports). The UK had a trade surplus of £47 million in goods with Croatia and a trade deficit of £129 million in services.²

Tables 2a and 2b below show that, between 2001 and 2011, UK goods and services exports to Croatia rose by 110% while imports from Croatia rose by 210%:

Table 2a

UK trade with Croatia

£millions

	Exports			Imports			Balance	
	2001	2011	% change 2001 to 2011	2001	2011	% change 2001 to 2011	2001	2011
Goods	87	153	76%	53	106	100%	34	47
Services	35	103	194%	56	232	314%	-21	-129
Goods and services	122	256	110%	109	338	210%	13	-82

Table 2b

UK trade with Croatia

% of total UK trade

	Exports			Imports		
	2001	2011	Percentage point change 2001 to 2011	2001	2011	Percentage point change 2001 to 2011
Goods	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Services	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%
Goods and services	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%

Source: NS, *The Pink Book 2012*, 2012

Over the period, Croatia has become a relatively more important trading partner for the UK:

- UK exports of goods and services to Croatia in 2011 accounted for 0.01 of a percentage point more of total UK exports of goods and services than in 2001;
- UK imports of goods and services from Croatia in 2011 also accounted for 0.03 of a percentage point more of total UK imports of goods and services than in 2001

¹ Source: IMF, DOTS via ESDS 19 October 2012

² ONS, *The Pink Book 2012*, 2012

1.3 UK sector (goods) trade with Croatia

Estimates of the UK's trade in goods by sector are available from HMRC's uktradeinfo.com from 1999. Not all data is identifiable as some data is suppressed:³

HMRC aim to publish as much of the collected, detailed trade data as possible. However, we are obliged to protect sensitive business and national interests through preventing disclosure where there is a clear requirement to do so. Consequently some sensitive information is suppressed in OTS publications, predominantly at the request of businesses with the majority of trade.

Data is available at an 8-digit commodity code level but it is not yet possible for us to download the entire 8-digit data set from uktradeinfo.com for a single country - only at a 4-digit level.

The appended tables 3a and 3b show the largest trade sectors (4-digit level) by value, of goods between the UK and Croatia in 2011. The largest sector of UK goods exports, by value, to Croatia in 2011 was "medicaments etc" (£13.6 million or 9% of all UK exports of goods to Croatia in 2011). The largest sector of imports by value from Croatia was "electrical transformers etc" (£15.4 million or 15% of all UK goods imports from Croatia).⁴

2 Croatia's trade with the World

2.1 Main trading partners

Table 4a below shows that in 2001, Croatia's main trading partner for the export and import of goods was Italy (accounting for 24% of Croatia's total exports and 18% of Croatia's total imports):

Table 4a

Croatia, main goods trading partners, Exports, 2001

\$million at current prices

		As % total exports
1 Italy	1,107	24%
2 Germany	690	15%
3 Bosnia and Herzegovina	561	12%
4 Slovenia	426	9%
5 Austria	268	6%
6 France	163	3%
7 Serbia and Montenegro	149	3%
8 Liberia	138	3%
9 United States	120	3%
10 Russia	84	2%
World	4,706	

Croatia, main goods trading partners, Imports, 2001

\$million at current prices

		As % total imports
1 Italy	1,657	18%
2 Germany	1,583	17%
3 Slovenia	712	8%
4 Russia	654	7%
5 Austria	631	7%
6 France	398	4%
7 United States	297	3%
8 Hungary	238	3%
9 United Kingdom	226	2%
10 Czech Republic	209	2%
World	9,147	

Source: IMF, *Direction of Trade Statistics*, via ESDS

The UK was the 11th most important destination for Croatia's goods exports and the 9th most important source of goods imports.

Between 2001 and 2011 the UK has become a relatively less important source, and less important market, for Croatian goods:

³ uktradeinfo.com

⁴ uktradeinfo.com

Table 4b

Croatia, main goods trading partners, Exports, 2011*\$million at current prices*

		As % total exports
1 Italy	2,112	16%
2 Bosnia and Herzegovina	1,637	12%
3 Germany	1,351	10%
4 Slovenia	1,104	8%
5 Austria	762	6%
6 Serbia	522	4%
7 France	381	3%
8 United States	364	3%
9 Hungary	335	3%
10 Luxembourg	331	2%
World	13,379	

Source: IMF, *Direction of Trade Statistics*, via ESDS**Croatia, main goods trading partners, Imports, 2011***\$million at current prices*

		As % total imports
1 Italy	3,712	16%
2 Germany	2,858	13%
3 Russia	1,635	7%
4 China	1,605	7%
5 Slovenia	1,412	6%
6 Austria	1,013	4%
7 Azerbaijan	790	3%
8 Bosnia and Herzegovina	759	3%
9 France	691	3%
10 Hungary	682	3%
World	22,708	

Table 4b shows that in 2011, Croatia's main trading partner for the export and import of goods remained Italy (accounting for 16% of Croatia's total exports and 16% of Croatia's total imports). The UK is now the 15th most important destination for Croatian goods exports and the 19th most important source of goods imports.

The data also shows that while the value of UK goods imports into Croatia increased by just under 400% between 2001 and 2011, Croatia's total imports of goods increased by just under 150%.

2.2 Trade in goods and services

Tables 5a and 5b below show that "manufactures" were Croatia's main goods exports in 2011, particularly "machinery and transport equipment" accounting for 61% and 28% of all Croatia's goods exports respectively. "Fuels" and "machinery and transport equipment" were Croatia's main goods imports in 2011 both accounting for 22% of total goods imports:

Table 5a

Croatia, goods exports, 2011*\$million at current prices*

Agricultural products	1,877
Food	1,392
Fuels and mining products	2,143
Fuels	1,515
Manufactures	8,147
Iron and steel	160
Chemicals	1,388
Pharmaceuticals	476
Machinery and transport equipment	3,734
Office and telecom equipment	201
Electronic data processing and office equipment	51
Telecommunications equipment	43
Integrated circuits and electronic components	107
Automotive products	187
Textiles	110
Clothing	513
Total	13,375

Source: WTO statistics database

Table 5b

Croatia, goods imports, 2011*\$million at current prices*

Agricultural products	2,743
Food	2,486
Fuels and mining products	5,547
Fuels	4,943
Manufactures	14,347
Iron and steel	907
Chemicals	3,134
Pharmaceuticals	868
Machinery and transport equipment	5,054
Office and telecom equipment	1,019
Electronic data processing and office equipment	426
Telecommunications equipment	500
Integrated circuits and electronic components	93
Automotive products	1,075
Textiles	513
Clothing	703
Total	22,708

Source: WTO statistics database

Tables 6a and 6b below show Croatia's services imports and exports by sector for 2011:

Table 6a

Croatia, commercial services exports, 2011*\$million at current prices*

Commercial services (Services excl. government services)	12,389
Transportation	1,119
Travel	9,141
Other commercial services (Commercial services - Travel & Transport)	2,130
Communications services	308
Construction	88
Insurance services	33
Financial services	68
Computer and information services	335
Royalties and license fees	24
Other business services	1,216
Personal, cultural and recreational services	57
Government services, not included elsewhere	0
Services	12,389

Source: WTO statistics database

Table 6b

Croatia, commercial services imports, 2011*\$million at current prices*

Commercial services (Services excl. government services)	3,562
Transportation	598
Travel	879
Other commercial services (Commercial services - Travel & Transport)	2,085
Communications services	167
Construction	3
Insurance services	65
Financial services	142
Computer and information services	326
Royalties and license fees	271
Other business services	1,001
Personal, cultural and recreational services	109
Government services, not included elsewhere	50
Services	3,612

Source: WTO statistics database

3 Further information:

The WTO examined Croatia's trade policy in March 2010 by carrying out a "Trade Policy Review" The full report is available for downloading on the WTO website:

www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/tpr_e/tp327_e.htm

The Croatian Government's response is also available at:

www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/tpr_e/g227_e.doc

More information on trade with Croatia is available on UKTI's website:

www.ukti.gov.uk/export/countries/europe/southerneurope/croatia.html

The BIS Trade policy pages: www.bis.gov.uk/policies/trade-policy-unit

The EC Western Balkans website: <http://ec.europa.eu/trade/creating-opportunities/bilateral-relations/regions/balkans/>

Government of Croatia Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration:

<http://commerce.nic.in/index.asp>

Table 3a

Trade in goods with Croatia, Exports 2011

Ten largest sectors

	£	as % of all UK goods exports to Croatia
3004 - Medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, put up in measured doses "incl. those in the form of transdermal administration" or in forms or packings for retail sale etc	13,637,115	9.3%
8903 - Yachts and other vessels for pleasure or sports; rowing boats and canoes	13,051,110	8.9%
2710 - Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excl. crude); preparations containing >= 70% by weight of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals, etc	5,794,453	4.0%
8411 - Turbojets, turbopropellers and other gas turbines	4,050,214	2.8%
2101 - Extracts, essences and concentrates, of coffee, these products or with a basis of coffee, tea or maté; roasted chicory and other roasted coffee substitutes, and extracts, essences and concentrates thereof	3,251,014	2.2%
8471 - Automatic data-processing machines and units thereof; magnetic or optical readers, machines for transcribing data onto data media in coded form and machines for processing such data, n.e.s.	3,049,738	2.1%
4901 - Printed books, brochures and similar printed matter, whether or not in single sheets (excl. periodicals and publications which are essentially devoted to advertising)	2,981,720	2.0%
2208 - Undenatured ethyl alcohol of an alcoholic strength of < 80%; spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages (excl. compound alcoholic preparations of a kind used for the manufacture of beverages)	2,929,556	2.0%
7225 - Flat-rolled products of alloy steel other than stainless, of a width of >= 600 mm, hot-rolled or cold-rolled "cold-reduced"	2,916,595	2.0%
3304 - Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin, incl. sunscreen or suntan preparations (excl. medicaments); manicure or pedicure preparations	2,767,117	1.9%
Total	146,613,393	

Source: uktradeinfo.com

Table 3b

Trade in goods with Croatia, Imports 2011

Ten largest sectors

	£	as % of all UK goods imports from Croatia
8504 - Electrical transformers, static converters, e.g. rectifiers, and inductors; parts thereof	15,414,033	14.8%
8544 - Insulated "incl. enamelled or anodised" wire, cable "incl. coaxial cable" and other insulated electric conductors, whether or not fitted with connectors; optical fibre cables, made up of individually sheathed fibres etc	12,517,905	12.0%
8411 - Turbojets, turbopropellers and other gas turbines	11,872,512	11.4%
7606 - Plates, sheets and strip, of aluminium, of a thickness of > 0,2 mm (excl. expanded plates, sheets and strip)	5,502,451	5.3%
3401 - Soap; organic surface-active products and preparations for use as soap, in the form of bars, cakes, moulded pieces or shapes, whether or not containing soap; organic surface-active products and preparations for washing etc	4,064,233	3.9%
1602 - Prepared or preserved meat, offal or blood (excl. sausages and similar products, and meat extracts and juices)	3,496,646	3.3%
3102 - Mineral or chemical nitrogenous fertilisers (excl. those in pellet or similar forms, or in packages with a gross weight of <= 10 kg)	3,470,471	3.3%
3305 - Preparations for use on the hair	2,827,792	2.7%
7007 - Safety glass, toughened "tempered", laminated safety glass (excl. multiple-walled insulating units of glass, glasses for spectacles and clock or watch glasses)	2,633,422	2.5%
9403 - Furniture and parts thereof, n.e.s. (excl. seats and medical, surgical, dental or veterinary furniture)	2,376,460	2.3%
Total	104,486,399	

Source: uktradeinfo.com