

Foreign trade – preliminary results in October and detailed data in the first nine months of 2023

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Slovakia's foreign trade is in surplus for the ninthconsecutive month, in October it amounted to EUR 548 million

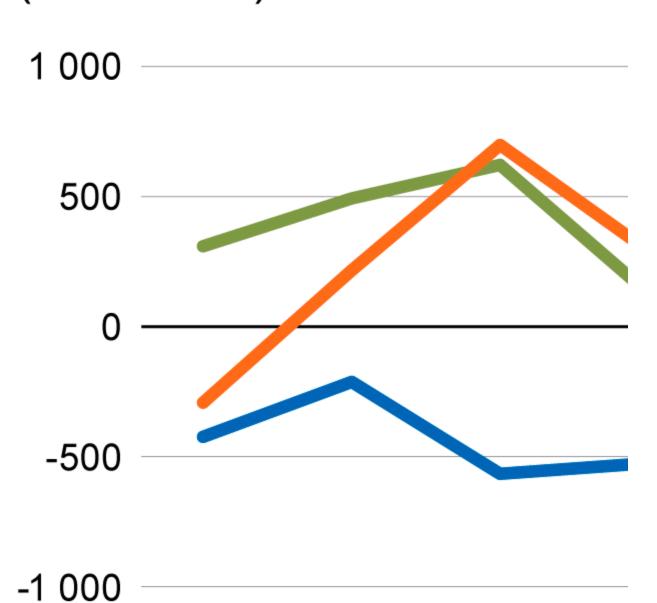
The positive development of the trade balance was mainly affected by a lower deficit in trade with energy commodities and higher surplus in trade with market products, which include products from sectors such as metal processing, metallurgy, and rubber.

In October, the value of both, exports and imports, was the highest since March of this year. According to preliminary results, goods in the amount¹⁾ of EUR 9.9 billion were exported from Slovakia. Exports thus returned to a year-on-year growth after September's slight decline, currently by 2.9%. Imports of goods decreased by 1% to EUR 9.3 billion. Imports were lower compared to the same period last year for the fourth consecutive month and were mainly affected by a decrease in the value of imports of energy commodities. The balance of foreign trade was positive in the amount of EUR 548.1 million, which was a better result by more than EUR 369 million compared to the same period last year.



Monthly foreign trade in the years 2021 to 2

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*data for 2021 and 2022 are definitive, for 2023 preliminary