

JANUARY 2011 TRADE GAP IS \$46.3 BILLION

U.S. international trade in goods and services

The U.S. monthly international trade deficit increased in January 2011, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau. The deficit increased from \$40.3 billion (revised) in December to \$46.3 billion in January, as imports increased more than exports. The previously published December deficit was \$40.6 billion.



Exports

Exports of goods and services increased \$4.4 billion in January to \$167.7 billion, mostly reflecting an increase in goods exports. Services exports also increased.

- The increase in goods exports was more than accounted for by increases in *industrial supplies and materials* and *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines*. Decreases in *consumer goods* and *capital goods* were partly offsetting.
- The increase in services exports was mostly accounted for by increases in *other private services* (which includes items such as business, professional, and technical services, insurance services, and financial services) and *travel*.

Imports

Imports of goods and services increased \$10.5 billion in January to \$214.1 billion, mostly reflecting an increase in goods imports. Services imports also increased.

- The increase in goods imports was mostly accounted for by increases in *industrial supplies and materials*; *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines*; and *capital goods*.
- The increase in services imports was mostly accounted for by increases in *other transportation* (which includes freight and port services), *passenger fares*, and *other private services*.

Goods by geographic area (not seasonally adjusted)

- The goods deficit with China increased from \$20.7 billion in December to \$23.3 billion in January. Exports decreased \$2.0 billion to \$8.1 billion, while imports increased \$0.5 billion to \$31.4 billion.
- The goods deficit with the European Union decreased from \$6.6 billion in December to \$5.6 billion in January. Exports decreased \$1.9 billion to \$20.3 billion, while imports decreased \$2.9 billion to \$25.9 billion.
- The goods deficit with Japan decreased from \$5.9 billion in December to \$5.0 billion in January. Exports decreased \$0.5 billion to \$5.0 billion, while imports decreased \$1.4 billion to \$10.0 billion.
- The goods surplus with Brazil increased from \$0.7 billion in December to \$1.0 billion in January. Exports increased \$0.2 billion to \$3.2 billion, while imports decreased \$0.1 billion to \$2.2 billion.

BEA statistics—including GDP, personal income, the balance of payments, foreign direct investment, the input-output accounts, and economic statistics for states, local areas, and industries—are available on the BEA Web site: www.bea.gov. E-mail alerts are also available.

NOTE: This and more information is provided in the March 10 press release issued by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services: January 2011. The next release is April 12, 2011.

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