

# Bolivia (Plurinational State of)

**Imports: CIF, by origin**

**Exports: FOB, by last known destination**

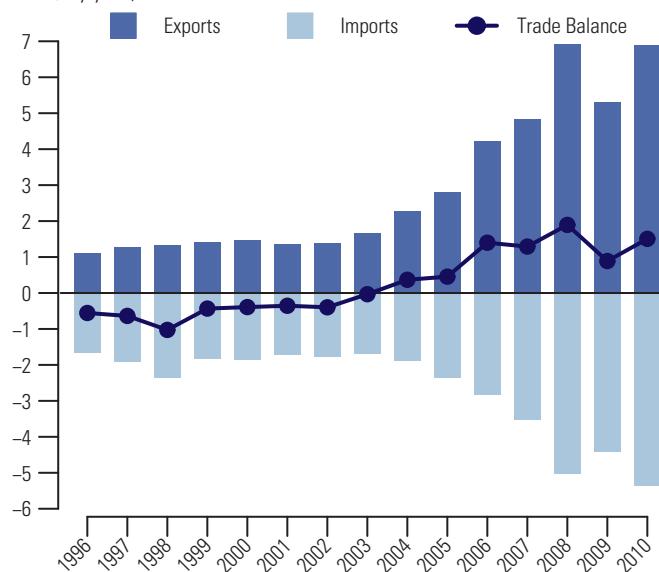
**Trade System: Special**

## Overview:

From 2006 to 2010, the Plurinational State of Bolivia's exports increased on average by 12.9 percent each year and amounted to 6.9 bln US\$ in 2010, reaching its previous level of 2008 after a significant decline in 2009 (see table 1). Imports increased on average by 17.4 percent each year and reached 5.4 bln US\$ (see table 2). This resulted in a trade surplus of 1.5 bln US\$ in 2010 (see graph 1). Trade with Latin America and the Caribbean accounted for a large part of this surplus (+1.1 bln US\$) (see graph 2). Trade also recorded surpluses with Developed Europe (+329.7 mln US\$) and Developed Asia-Pacific (+213.8 mln US\$). Trade was relatively concentrated among a few partners: 8 (respectively 9) major partners accounted for 80 percent of exports (respectively imports) (see graph 3).

## Graph 1: Total imports, exports and trade balance

(Bln US\$ by year)



**Table 1: Exports by SITC sections**

(Value in million US\$, growth and shares in percentage)

SITC	2010	Avg. Growth rates (%)		2010 share
		2006-2010	2009-2010	
Total	6872.2	12.9	29.7	100.0
0+1	663.5	13.7	0.0	9.7
2+4	2291.3	20.9	19.3	33.3
3	2972.4	9.6	43.4	43.3
5	155.3	33.4	83.0	2.3
6	526.0	23.1	80.1	7.7
7	6.2	-53.2	325.8	0.1
8	160.6	0.7	10.1	2.3
9	96.9	-7.0	-16.6	1.4

## Exports Profile:

Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (SITC section 3), inedible crude materials (except fuels), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (SITC sections 2+4) and food, live animals, beverages and tobacco (SITC sections 0+1) accounted respectively for 43.3, 33.3 and 9.7 percent of exports in 2010 (see table 1). Brazil was the top partner for Bolivia's exports. Other major partners included USA and Argentina (see table 4). From 2008 to 2010, the top three commodities for exports were petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons (HS code 2711), zinc ores and concentrates (HS code 2608) and precious metal ores and concentrates (HS code 2616) (see table 3).

**Table 2: Imports by SITC sections**

(Value in million US\$, growth and shares in percentage)

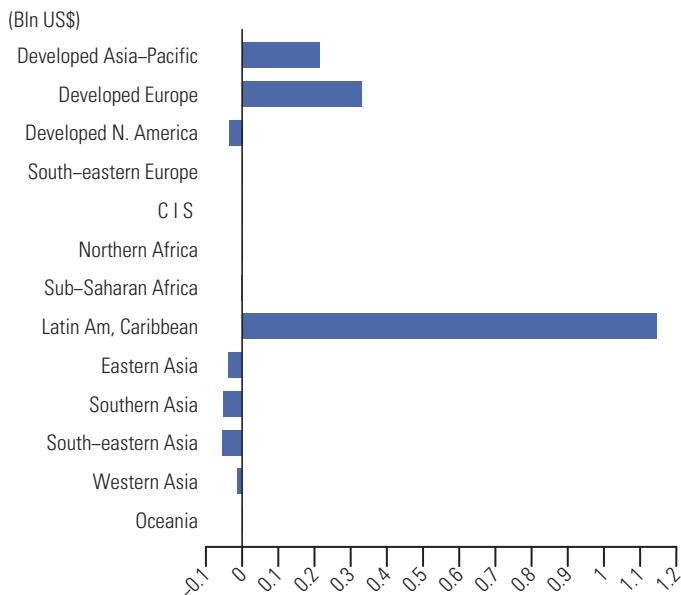
SITC	2010	Avg. Growth rates (%)		2010 share
		2006-2010	2009-2010	
Total	5366.5	17.4	21.7	100.0
0+1	409.6	17.7	7.5	7.6
2+4	60.5	-9.9	5.6	1.1
3	652.2	24.1	39.2	12.2
5	948.1	17.5	21.9	17.7
6	1043.7	16.4	21.3	19.4
7	1830.0	17.8	21.0	34.1
8	394.3	17.3	35.7	7.3
9	28.0	6.0	-53.6	0.5

**Table 3: Top 10 export commodities 2008 to 2010**

(Value in million US\$)

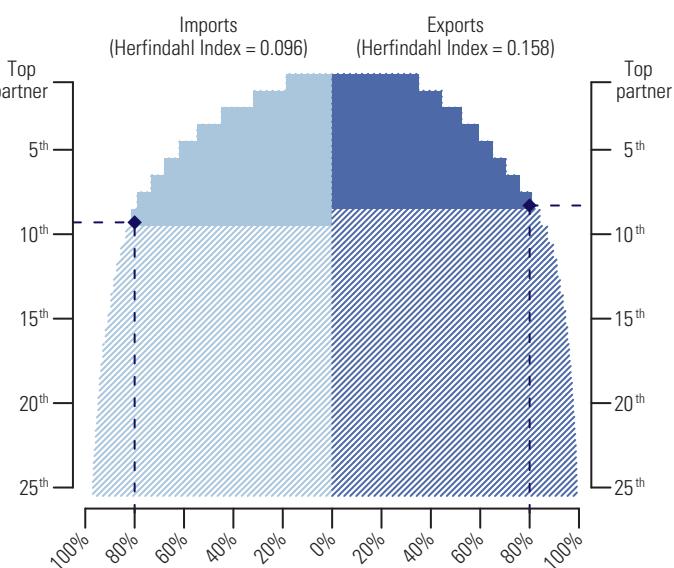
HS code	4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2007	Value (million US\$)			Unit value			SITC code
		2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	
All Commodities.....		6899.3	5296.7	6872.2				
2711 Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons.....		3159.1	1967.3	2797.8	0.3	0.3	0.3	343
2608 Zinc ores and concentrates.....		739.2	688.8	887.2	1.0	0.9	1.2	287
2616 Precious metal ores and concentrates.....		506.9	596.2	684.8	58.7	57.8	US\$/kg	289
2304 Oil-cake and other solid residues.....		270.4	326.4	308.7	0.3	0.3	0.3	081
8001 Unwrought tin.....		235.0	205.6	292.5	18.5	13.3	19.7	687
2709 Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude.....		310.1	77.5	144.2	0.8	0.4	0.6	333
1507 Soya-bean oil and its fractions.....		172.4	155.7	178.6	1.2	0.8	0.8	421
2607 Lead ores and concentrates.....		169.0	138.1	156.7	1.2	1.0	1.3	287
7108 Gold (including gold plated with platinum).....		141.5	116.2	94.1	24.3	26.3	thsd US\$/kg	971
1512 Sunflower-seed, safflower or cotton-seed oil.....		114.0	81.6	93.5	1.5	0.7	0.9	421

**Graph 2: Trade Balance by MDG Regions in 2010**



**Graph 3: Partner concentration of trade in 2010**

(Cumulative share by ranked partners)



**Table 4: Exports by principal countries and SITC sections in 2010**

(Value in million US\$, percentages of country total)

Country	Total	Shares by SITC sections (%)									
		0 + 1	2 + 4	3	5	6	7	8	9	Total	
World.....	6872.2	9.7	33.3	43.3	2.3	7.7	0.1	2.3	1.4	100	
Brazil.....	2406.8	1.2	2.0	95.7	0.2	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	100	
USA.....	647.8	9.8	7.4	24.5	9.5	36.4	0.0	12.1	0.3	100	
Argentina.....	551.0	3.8	4.3	90.3	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.0	100	
Japan.....	460.3	0.4	98.9	...	0.0	0.6	...	0.1	0.0	100	
Peru.....	395.2	29.0	65.0	1.3	2.5	1.3	0.0	0.9	0.0	100	
Belgium.....	379.1	1.4	98.5	...	0.1	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	100	
Rep. of Korea.....	367.1	0.0	99.9	...	0.0	0.1	...	0.0	...	100	
Venezuela.....	339.5	49.3	26.0	0.1	1.0	9.6	0.8	13.3	0.0	100	
Colombia.....	233.9	36.2	59.6	0.0	1.6	2.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	100	
China.....	208.1	0.2	73.7	...	0.3	25.9	...	0.0	...	100	

#### Imports Profile:

In 2010, imports of machinery and transport equipment (SITC section 7) represented 34.1 percent of imported goods (see table 2). Other major commodity groups included manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (SITC section 6) and chemicals and related products, n.e.s. (SITC section 5) respectively with 19.4 and 17.7 percent of imports. From 2008 to 2010, top imported products were petroleum oils, other than crude (HS code 2710), motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport (HS code 8703) and motor vehicles for the transport of goods (HS code 8704) (see table 5).

**Table 5: Top 10 import commodities 2008 to 2010**

(Value in million US\$)

HS code	4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2007	Value (million US\$)			Unit value			SITC code
		2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	
All Commodities.....		5006.0	4409.0	5366.5				
2710 Petroleum oils, other than crude.....		528.1	433.0	588.6	0.9	0.7	0.8	US\$/kg 334
8703 Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport.....		339.0	187.8	203.9	15.0	15.7	10.0 thsd US\$/unit	781
8704 Motor vehicles for the transport of goods.....		180.6	142.4	152.4	22.3		15.2 thsd US\$/unit	782
3808 Insecticides, rodenticides, fungicides, herbicides.....		146.0	162.4	157.4	5.3	5.2	4.5	US\$/kg 591
7214 Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel.....		152.7	134.2	139.0	1.0	0.7	0.7	US\$/kg 676
8429 Self-propelled bulldozers, angledozers, graders, levellers, scrapers.....		115.9	86.5	116.7	66.5		6.7 thsd US\$/unit	723
1101 Wheat or meslin flour.....		115.8	103.8	72.7	0.5	0.3	0.4	US\$/kg 046
8517 Electrical apparatus for line telephony or line telegraphy.....		87.5	67.9	95.2				764
8701 Tractors (other than tractors of heading 87.09).....		75.0	87.4	80.8			20.4 thsd US\$/unit	722
3004 Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06).....		61.5	64.3	84.4	22.3	21.9	25.2	US\$/kg 542