

# Iceland

Imports: CIF, by origin

Exports: FOB, by last known destination

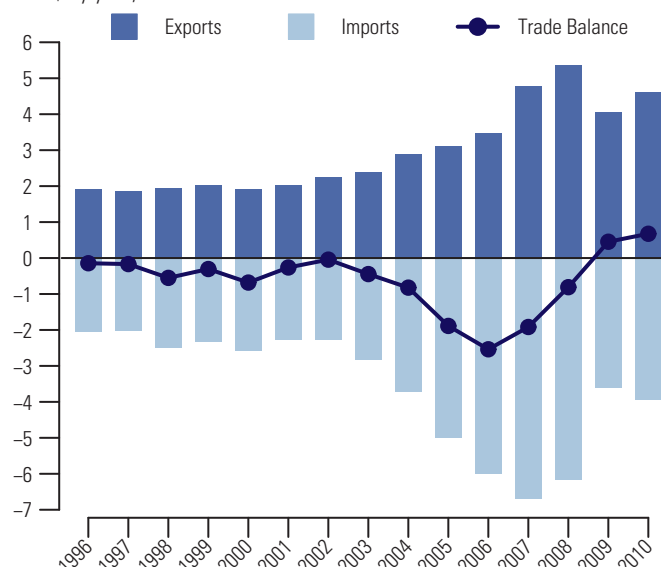
Trade System: Special

## Overview:

After several years of continuous growth marked by a peak of 5.4 bln US\$ in 2008, Iceland's exports decreased sharply in 2009 by 24.2 percent but bounced back in 2010 by 13.4 percent to 4.6 bln US\$, still well below its 2008 level (see table 1 and graph 1). Imports exhibited a similar pattern with an increase of 8.9 percent and reached 3.9 bln US\$ in 2010 (see table 2 and graph 1). This resulted in a trade surplus of 674.5 mln US\$ (see graph 1). By MDG regions, large deficits were recorded with Latin America and the Caribbean (-491.6 mln US\$), Eastern Asia (-211.7 mln US\$) and Developed North America (-147.5 mln US\$) (see graph 2). By partners, exports were more concentrated than imports: 10 major partners accounted for 80 percent of exports compared to 15 major partners for imports (see graph 3).

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

(Bln US\$ by year)



## Exports Profile:

In 2010, manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (SITC section 6) accounted for 45.8 percent of total exports (see table 1). Other major commodity groups included food, live animals, beverages and tobacco (SITC sections 0+1) and machinery and transport equipment (SITC section 7) respectively with 39.8 and 4.9 percent of exported goods. Top markets for exports were the Netherlands, Germany and United Kingdom (see table 4). Exports to the Netherlands and Germany were largely manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (SITC section 6) while 80.7 percent of exports to the United Kingdom were food, live animals, beverages and tobacco (SITC sections 0+1). From 2008 to 2010, top products for exports were unwrought aluminium (HS code 7601), fish fillets and other fish meat (whether or not minced) (HS code 0304) and fish, dried, salted or in brine (HS code 0305) (see table 3).

**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	4599.9	7.4	13.4	100.0
0+1	1829.6	0.6	8.7	39.8
2+4	127.1	9.5	0.0	2.8
3	47.3	-12.4	17.6	1.0
5	145.3	11.1	31.2	3.2
6	2106.9	23.1	32.6	45.8
7	225.5	-10.4	-44.5	4.9
8	99.7	-1.6	25.9	2.2
9	18.6	-7.8	-12.0	0.4

**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	3925.4	-10.0	8.9	100.0
0+1	409.2	0.9	3.4	10.4
2+4	618.2	16.0	21.9	15.7
3	511.6	-0.9	14.2	13.0
5	396.1	-1.4	6.6	10.1
6	462.1	-14.5	12.2	11.8
7	1067.1	-20.6	1.0	27.2
8	457.3	-11.6	11.8	11.7
9	3.7	-10.7	-11.3	0.1

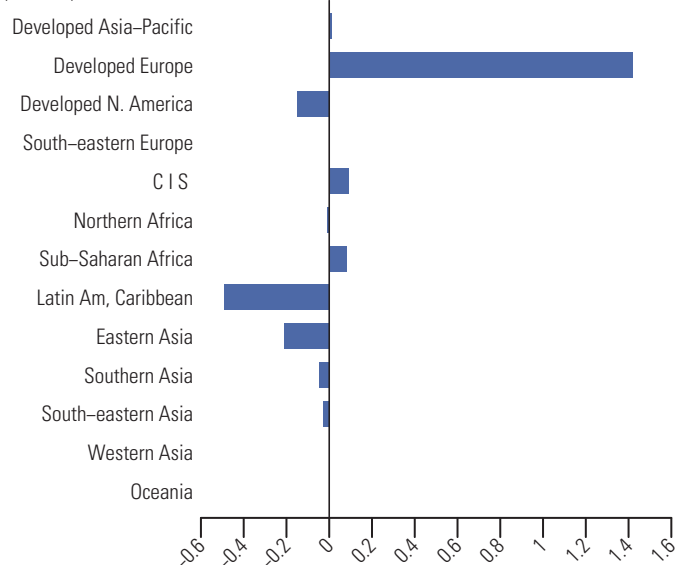
**Table 3: Top 10 export commodities 2008 to 2010**

(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	Unit	
	All Commodities.....	5355.4	4057.0	4599.9					
7601	Unwrought aluminium.....	2088.2	1382.4	1825.0	2.7	1.7	2.2	US\$/kg	684
0304	Fish fillets and other fish meat (whether or not minced).....	736.3	639.8	677.0	4.3	3.9	4.1	US\$/kg	034
0305	Fish, dried, salted or in brine.....	428.4	376.4	371.8	6.7	5.1	5.3	US\$/kg	035
0303	Fish, frozen, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading 03.04.....	255.1	225.6	344.3	2.0	2.0	1.8	US\$/kg	034
8802	Other aircraft (for example, helicopters, aeroplanes); spacecraft.....	329.6	182.9	59.1	41.2			mln US\$/unit	792
7202	Ferro-alloys.....	134.8	145.1	166.9	1.3	1.2	1.4	US\$/kg	671
2301	Flours, meals and pellets, of meat or meat offal.....	155.8	135.6	115.8	1.1	1.2	1.7	US\$/kg	081
0302	Fish, fresh or chilled, excluding fish fillets.....	163.7	132.6	100.0	2.3	2.2	2.6	US\$/kg	034
0306	Crustaceans, whether in shell or not.....	125.0	101.6	120.5	7.9	7.3	7.4	US\$/kg	036
3004	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06).....	90.2	77.1	118.9	128.5	131.0	133.0	US\$/kg	542

Graph 2: Trade Balance by MDG Regions in 2010

(Bln US\$)



Graph 3: Partner concentration of trade in 2010

(Cumulative share by ranked partners)

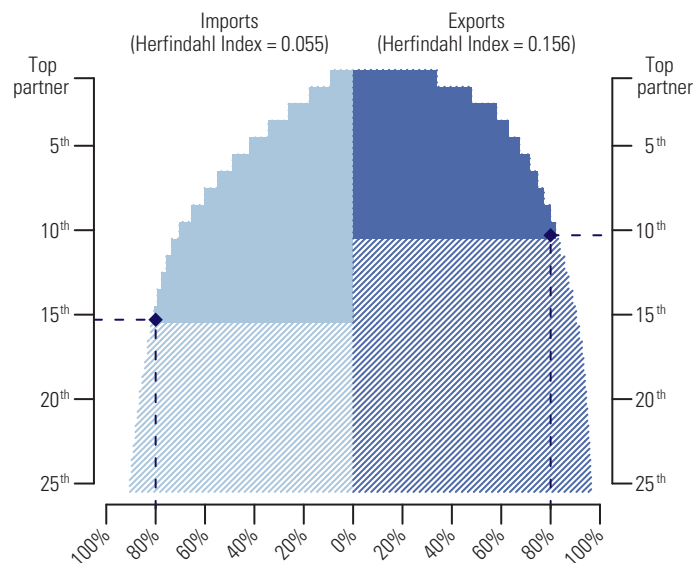


Table 4: Exports by principal countries and SITC sections in 2010

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

Country	Total	Shares by SITC sections (%)									Total
		0 + 1	2 + 4	3	5	6	7	8	9		
World.....	4599.9	39.8	2.8	1.0	3.2	45.8	4.9	2.2	0.4	100	
Netherlands.....	1563.8	7.3	0.4	0.1	1.2	88.1	1.9	0.9	0.2	100	
Germany.....	642.1	13.6	0.6	0.2	4.5	77.8	2.6	0.3	0.5	100	
United Kingdom.....	465.0	80.7	5.8	2.2	0.3	7.7	1.9	1.0	0.4	100	
Spain.....	218.1	80.1	2.7	0.1	14.4	1.1	1.5	0.1	0.0	100	
USA.....	210.1	50.3	1.3	1.0	1.3	3.8	14.4	27.5	0.3	100	
Norway.....	195.1	48.5	20.1	2.8	0.2	5.1	19.0	2.6	1.5	100	
France.....	144.6	81.9	1.3	0.2	7.0	8.0	1.1	0.3	0.1	100	
Denmark.....	119.2	49.7	8.8	8.8	18.8	1.7	7.5	2.3	2.5	100	
Japan.....	117.2	81.7	1.4	0.1	0.1	14.5	0.9	1.2	0.0	100	
Russian Federation.....	94.6	92.9	0.1	3.7	0.0	1.4	1.4	0.4	...	100	

**Imports Profile:**

Machinery and transport equipment (SITC section 7) accounted for 27.2 percent of imports in 2010 (see table 2). Other major commodity groups for imports were inedible crude materials (except fuels), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (SITC sections 2+4) and mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (SITC section 3) respectively accounting for 15.7 and 13.0 percent of imports. In addition to artificial corundum, whether or not chemically defined (HS code 2818), other major imported goods over the period from 2008 to 2010 were petroleum oils, other than crude (HS code 2710) and carbon electrodes, carbon brushes, lamp carbons, battery carbons (HS code 8545) (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	Unit	
All Commodities.....		6165.9	3604.0	3925.4					
2818 Artificial corundum, whether or not chemically defined.....		699.2	425.1	515.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	US\$/kg	285
2710 Petroleum oils, other than crude.....		692.5	401.0	461.7	0.9	0.5	0.7	US\$/kg	334
8545 Carbon electrodes, carbon brushes, lamp carbons, battery carbons.....		379.6	320.4	307.6	0.9	0.7	0.7	US\$/kg	778
8703 Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport.....		255.2	70.0	69.3	22.3		16.7	thsd US\$/unit	781
3004 Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06).....		137.8	113.7	113.2	172.1	165.0	143.0	US\$/kg	542
8802 Other aircraft (for example, helicopters, aeroplanes); spacecraft.....		178.8	104.3	32.1	9.4			mIn US\$/unit	792
8471 Automatic data processing machines and units thereof.....		76.3	45.8	59.2					752
0306 Crustaceans, whether in shell or not.....		56.1	45.9	57.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	US\$/kg	036
8517 Electrical apparatus for line telephony or line telegraphy.....		63.5	38.5	38.5					764
9403 Other furniture and parts thereof.....		78.4	23.2	21.9					821