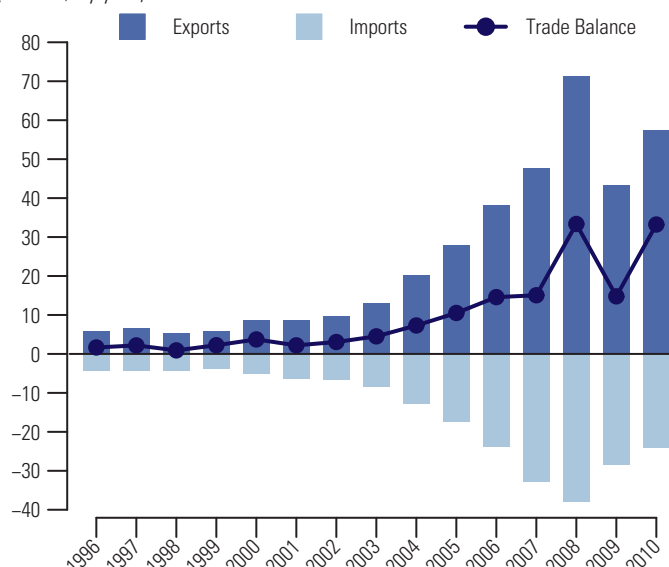


**Overview:**

After several years of continuous growth marked by a peak of 71.2 bln US\$ in 2008, the value of the exports of Kazakhstan contracted sharply in 2009 (by 39.3 percent) but bounced back in 2010 by 32.5 percent to amount to 57.2 bln US\$, still well below its 2008 level (see table 1 and graph 1). Imports, on the other hand, continued to decrease in 2010 (by 15.4 percent) to reach 24.0 bln US\$ (see table 2 and graph 1). This resulted in a trade surplus of 33.2 bln US\$, higher than the 2009 surplus of 14.8 bln US\$ (see graph 1). This surplus is largely accounted for by trade with Developed Europe (+23.3 bln US\$) (see graph 2). However, trade recorded a deficit of 1.9 bln US\$ with the Commonwealth of Independent States. By partner, trade was relatively diversified in 2010: 15 (respectively 13) 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)

**Exports Profile:**

Since 2006, exports of mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (SITC section 3) increased on average by 11.8 percent each year and accounted for more than two-thirds (71.7 percent) of exported goods in 2010 (see table 1). Other major commodity group for exports included manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (SITC section 6); it accounted for 13.0 percent of exports. In 2010, major destinations for exports were China, Italy and France; the combined value accounted for 42.2 percent of total exports (see table 4). Petroleum oils, crude (HS code 2709), the top export commodity accounted for 64.6 percent of exports in 2010 (see table 3). Other major products were refined ferro-alloys (HS code 7202) and copper and copper alloys, unwrought (HS code 7403).

**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	57 244.1	10.6	32.5	100.0
0+1	1 861.5	15.9	18.3	3.3
2+4	3 125.5	7.8	19.9	5.5
3	41 032.9	11.8	36.7	71.7
5	2 510.0	24.6	28.8	4.4
6	7 430.2	3.5	25.1	13.0
7	3 45.8	-14.7	-8.4	0.6
8	55.9	4.6	2.9	0.1
9	882.1	21.6	32.0	1.5

**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	24 023.6	0.4	-15.4	100.0
0+1	2 156.5	8.4	-4.4	9.0
2+4	423.8	-1.6	-7.5	1.8
3	2 379.6	-6.0	-16.1	9.9
5	2 857.7	8.9	0.7	11.9
6	4 345.9	-2.8	-42.2	18.1
7	9 726.6	-1.1	-7.6	40.5
8	2 084.3	8.2	8.2	8.7
9	49.3	161.3	7.0	0.2

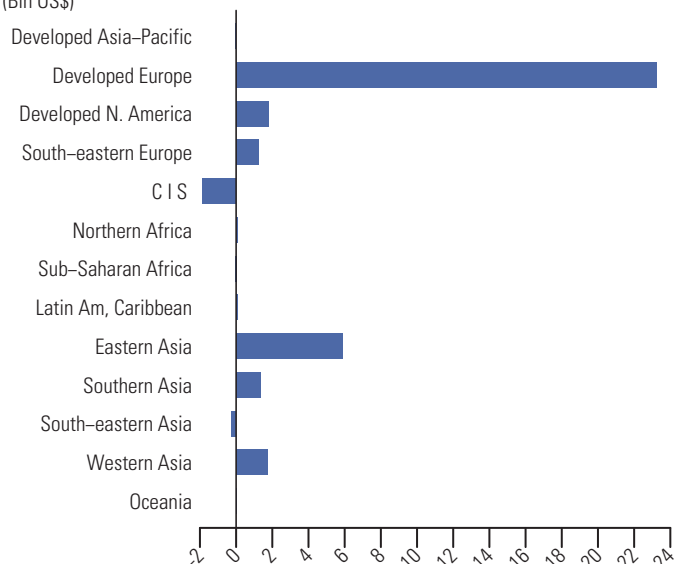
**Table 3: Top 10 export commodities 2008 to 2010**

(Value in million US\$)

HS code	4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2002	Value (million US\$)			Unit value			SITC code
		2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	
	All Commodities.....	71 172.0	43 195.8	57 244.1				
2709	Petroleum oils, crude.....	43 507.9	26 206.9	36 982.3	0.7	0.4	US\$/kg	333
7202	Ferro-alloys.....	2 959.9	1 187.8	1 825.7	2.4	1.1	US\$/kg	671
7403	Refined copper and copper alloys, unwrought.....	2 502.1	1 407.1	1 866.4	7.0	4.4	US\$/kg	682
2711	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons.....	1 978.7	1 802.2	1 677.5	0.1	0.1	US\$/kg	343
2844	Radioactive chemical elements and radioactive isotopes.....	1 303.5	1 618.7	2 093.0	98.2	78.6	US\$/kg	525
2710	Petroleum oils, other than crude.....	2 003.2	1 191.4	1 755.1	0.5	0.3	US\$/kg	334
2601	Iron ores and concentrates.....	1 279.2	936.1	1 189.7	0.1	0.1	US\$/kg	281
1001	Wheat and meslin.....	1 458.8	632.9	911.5	0.3	0.2	US\$/kg	041
7108	Gold (including gold plated with platinum).....	551.9	652.9	865.2	19.8	22.0	thsd US\$/kg	971
1101	Wheat or meslin flour.....	849.2	574.5	535.9	0.5	0.3	US\$/kg	046

Graph 2: Trade Balance by MDG Regions in 2010

(Bln US\$)



Graph 3: Partner concentration of trade in 2010

(Cumulative share by ranked partners)

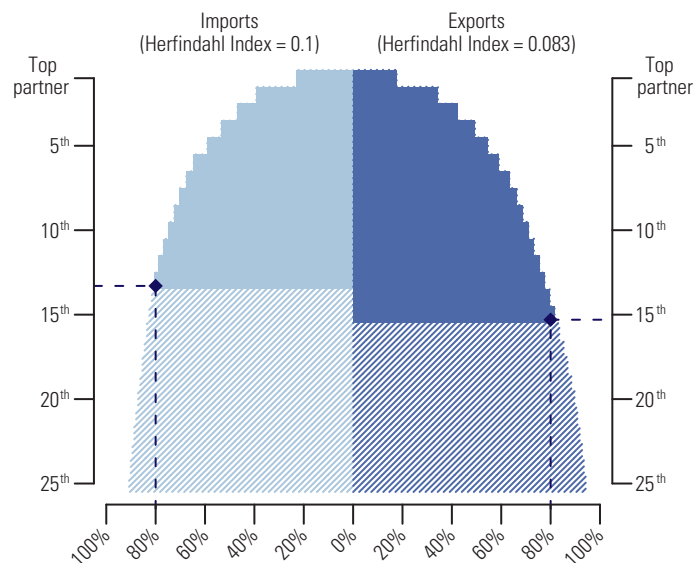


Table 4: Exports by principal countries and SITC sections in 2010

(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.....	57244.1	3.3	5.5	71.7	4.4	13.0	0.6	0.1	1.5	100	
China.....	10122.1	0.1	14.3	54.7	9.5	21.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	100	
Italy.....	9576.8	0.1	0.1	97.3	0.0	2.0	0.1	0.0	0.4	100	
France.....	4433.1	0.1	0.0	93.4	6.4	0.0	0.1	0.0	...	100	
Netherlands.....	4161.0	0.1	0.2	96.5	0.2	2.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	100	
Russian Federation.....	3006.5	1.8	38.5	28.3	8.6	19.9	2.8	0.2	0.0	100	
Austria.....	2528.7	0.0	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	...	100	
Canada.....	2439.1	0.1	0.0	87.8	12.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	100	
Germany.....	1749.7	2.6	2.0	55.8	3.3	35.9	0.2	0.1	0.2	100	
United Kingdom.....	1379.5	0.7	0.7	48.0	1.0	48.6	0.6	0.3	0.0	100	
Romania.....	1281.9	0.0	0.0	99.2	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	100	

**Imports Profile:**

In 2010, Kazakhstan imports were mostly composed of machinery and transport equipment (SITC section 7), manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (SITC section 6) and chemicals and related products, n.e.s. (SITC section 5) (see table 2). They accounted respectively for 40.5, 18.1 and 11.9 percent of imports. Top imported products over the last three years were petroleum oils, crude (HS code 2709), other tubes and pipes (for example, welded, riveted or similarly closed) (HS code 7305) and petroleum oils, other than crude (HS code 2710) (see table 5).

Table 5: Top 10 import commodities 2008 to 2010

(Value in million US\$)

HS code	4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2002	Value (million US\$)			Unit value			SITC code
		2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	
All Commodities.....		37815.4	28408.7	24023.6				
2709 Petroleum oils, crude.....		2772.9	1446.1	1340.9	0.4	0.2		333
7305 Other tubes and pipes (for example, welded, riveted or similarly closed).....		1358.5	2291.3	200.9	2.4	2.7		679
2710 Petroleum oils, other than crude.....		1563.4	779.8	472.1	0.7	0.5		334
8703 Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport.....		1228.3	771.3	403.6	7.9	6.9	thsd US\$/unit	781
3004 Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06).....		597.8	611.9	745.7	27.4	28.3	US\$/kg	542
7304 Tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, seamless, of iron (other than cast iron).....		712.2	563.6	444.0	2.4	2.8	US\$/kg	679
7308 Structures (excluding prefabricated buildings of heading 94.06).....		741.8	624.9	334.3	4.6	5.0	US\$/kg	691
8802 Other aircraft (for example, helicopters, aeroplanes); spacecraft.....		752.3	281.9	622.4	5.6	5.0	mIn US\$/unit	792
8481 Taps, cocks, valves and similar appliances for pipes, boiler shells.....		598.7	638.7	335.4	22.4	23.2	US\$/kg	747
8413 Pumps for liquids, whether or not fitted with a measuring device.....		639.8	286.8	280.1				742