Overview:

In 2011, the value of the exports of Niger grew by 101.4 percent and reached 973.8 mln US\$ (see table 1 and graph 1). The last five years showed an average annual increase of 11.6 percent in exports, while imports registered an average annual growth of 18.8 percent (see tables 1 and 2 and graph 1). In 2011, imports went down by 16.9 percent to 1.9 bln US\$. This resulted in a trade deficit of 0.9 bln US\$ in 2011, lower than the 2010 deficit of 1.8 bln US\$ (see graph 1). By MDG regions, trade recorded deficits with Eastern Asia (-0.5 bln US\$) and Sub-Saharan Africa (-0.2 bln US\$) (see graph 2). Contrary to imports, exports were concentrated among a few partners: 4 major partners accounted for 80 percent of exports (compared to 13 major partners for imports) (see graph 3).

Graph 1: Total imports, exports and trade balance

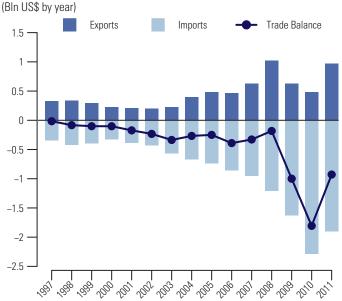


Table 1: Exports by SITC sections										
(Value in	(Value in million US\$, growth and shares in percentage)									
SITC	2011		Avg. Growth rates (%) 2007-2011 2010-2011							
Total	973.8	11.6	101.4	100.0						
0+1	114.8	-8.2	35.1	11.8						
2+4	701.3	20.7	171.6	72.0						
3	10.8	-7.3	42.7	1.1						
5	1.0	-19.1	-8.5	0.1						
6	17.5	-5.3	26.1	1.8						
7	34.6	5.8	-9.8	3.6						
8	3.6	-25.8	-17.9	0.4						
9	90.3	11.9	20.2	9.3						

Exports Profile:

In 2011, inedible crude materials (except fuels), animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (SITC sections 2+4), largely uranium or thorium ores and concentrates, accounted for the majority of exported goods (see table 2). Their exports rose by 171.6 percent in 2011 and accounted for 72.0 percent of exported goods. Other major commodity group includes food, live animals, beverages and tobacco (SITC sections 0+1) which increased by 35.1 percent and represented 11.8 percent of exports. Major partners for exports included France, Switzerland and Nigeria (see table 4). In addition to uranium or thorium ores and concentrates (HS code 2612), other major commodities for exports from 2009 to 2011 were gold (including gold plated with platinum) (HS code 7108) and live bovine animals (HS code 0102) (see table 3).

Table 2: Imports by SITC sections

(Value in million US\$, growth and shares in percentage) Avg. Growth rates (%) SITC 2011 2007-2011 2010-2011 share Total 1902.1 18.8 -16.9 100.0 0+1263.8 7.1 -16.3 13.9 2+4 121.1 9.6 22.5 6.4 3 18.3 338.7 20.2 17.8 5 201.4 13.8 41.2 10.6 22.5 14.7 6 279.7 -51.0 615.8 30.3 -18.7 32.4 7 8 81.6 14.9 -31.1 4.3

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	Table 3: Top 10 export commodities 2009 to 2011
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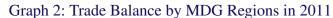
8429 Self-propelled bulldozers, angledozers, graders, levellers, scrapers.....

(Value in million US\$)								
HS		Value (million US\$)			Unit value			
code 4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2007	2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	Unit	code
All Commodities	628.0	483.5	973.8					
2612 Uranium or thorium ores and concentrates	348.6	242.8	668.8	108.8	61.61	48.9	US\$/kg	286
7108 Gold (including gold plated with platinum)	44.1	75.1	90.3					971
0102 Live bovine animals	51.3	26.9	22.1	810.4	827.48	<i>344.5</i>	US\$/unit	001
0104 Live sheep and goats	70.2	14.7	13.3					001
0703 Onions, shallots, garlic, leeks and other alliaceous vegetables	32.3	9.6	31.1	0.7	0.2	0.7	US\$/kg	054
6309 Worn clothing and other worn articles	11.2	11.0	22.3	0.5	0.5	1.0	US\$/kg	269
5208 Woven fabrics of cotton, containing 85 % or more by weight of cotton	12.7	12.9	16.0	21.1	26.5	31.2	US\$/kg	652
2710 Petroleum oils, other than crude	7.2	7.6	10.8	1.0	0.8	1.1	US\$/kg	334
0713 Dried leguminous vegetables, shelled, whether or not skinned or split	2.8	1.7	16.6	0.7	0.3	0.5	US\$/kg	054
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Graph 3: Partner concentration of trade in 2011

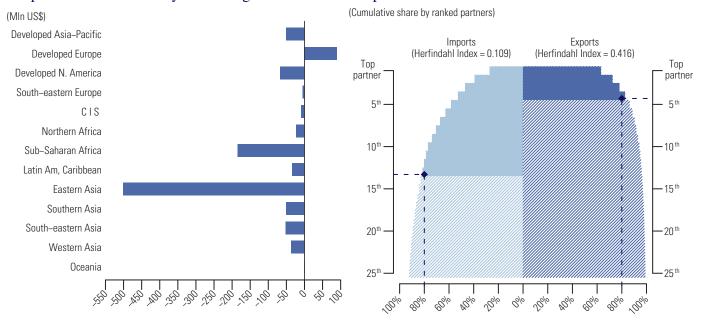


Table 4: Exports by principal countries and SITC sections in 2011

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

		Shares by SITC sections (%)								
Country	Total	0 + 1	2 + 4	3	5	6	7	8	9	Total
World	973.8	11.8	72.0	1.1	0.1	1.8	3.6	0.4	9.3	100
France	615.2	0.1	98.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.2		100
Switzerland	90.6	0.0	0.1			0.3	0.0	0.0	99.7	100
Nigeria	52.9	93.1	3.8	2.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.7		100
USA	45.8	0.1	94.0	3.2		0.0	2.1	0.5		100
Ghana	35.5	99.4	0.2			0.4	0.1	0.0		100
China	22.2	6.9	12.2		0.4	0.4	76.1	4.1		100
Japan	16.2	0.0	83.9			2.5	13.5	0.0		100
Spain	13.7	0.1	99.3		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.0		100
Netherlands	13.1	0.0	14.3			85.5	0.1	0.1		100
Côte d'Ivoire	10.5	30.9	0.0	32.4		36.3		0.4		100

Imports Profile:

In 2011, imports were composed of 32.4 percent of machinery and transport equipment (SITC section 7), 17.8 percent of mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials (SITC section 3) and 14.7 percent of manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (SITC sections 6) (see table 2). By products, top commodities for imports from 2009 to 2011 included petroleum oils, other than crude (HS code 2710), structures (excluding prefabricated buildings of heading 94.06) (HS code 7308) and motor vehicles for the transport of goods (HS code 8704) (see table 5).

(Value in million US\$)

HS		Val	ue (million US	S\$)		Uı	nit valı	ne	SITC
code	4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2007	2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	Unit	code
All Commod	lities	1627.2	2290.0	1902.1					
2710 Petroleum o	ils, other than crude	172.5	258.1	306.2	0.8	0.9	1.2	US\$/kg	334
7308 Structures (excluding prefabricated buildings of heading 94.06)	43.6	192.5	15.3	5.0	12.4	3.7	US\$/kg	691
8704 Motor vehic	les for the transport of goods	55.5	86.7	54.3					782
1006 Rice		68.0	71.6	54.9	0.4	0.5	0.3	US\$/kg	042
3004 Medicamen	ts (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06)	54.5	30.5	107.9	21.5	8.0	27.4	US\$/kg	542
2523 Portland cer	ment, aluminous cement, slag cement	49.6	59.4	63.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	US\$/kg	661
8431 Parts suitab	le for use principally with the machinery of headings 84.25	55.4	58.1	44.8	13.9	23.0	40.2	US\$/kg	723
6309 Worn clothi	ng and other worn articles	49.0	44.3	44.4	1.5	1.4	1.2	US\$/kg	269
8429 Self-propell	ed bulldozers, angledozers, graders, levellers, scrapers	53.4	37.8	37.8		58.2	53.7	thsd US\$/uni	t 723
2402 Cigars, cher	oots, cigarillos and cigarettes	32.3	38.1	46.1	10.0	9.4	10.6	US\$/kg	122