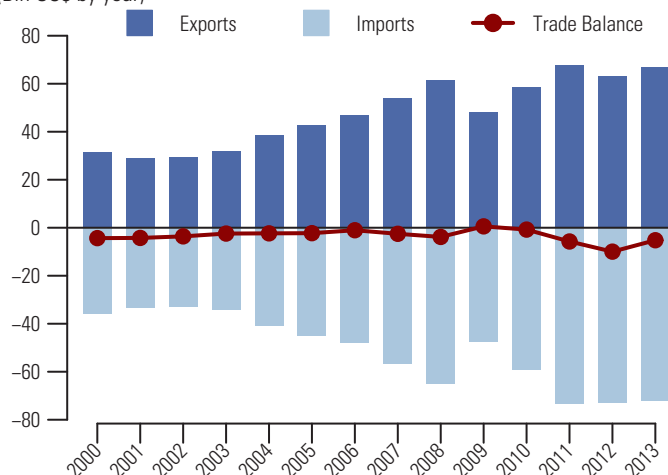


## Overview:

In 2013, the value of merchandise exports of Israel increased moderately by 5.8 percent to reach 66.8 bln US\$, while its merchandise imports decreased slightly by 1.5 percent to reach 72.0 bln US\$ (see graph 1, table 2 and table 3). The merchandise trade balance recorded a relatively small deficit of 5.2 bln US\$ (see graph 1). The largest merchandise trade balance was with MDG Developed Europe at -9.6 bln US\$ (see graph 4). Merchandise exports in Israel were diversified amongst partners; imports were also diversified. The top 18 partners accounted for 80 percent or more of exports and 14 partners accounted for 80 percent or more of imports (see graph 5). In 2012, the value of exports of services of Israel increased substantially by 12.7 percent, reaching 30.9 bln US\$, while its imports of services increased slightly by 2.5 percent and reached 21.0 bln US\$ (see graph 2). There was a moderate trade in services surplus of 9.8 bln US\$.

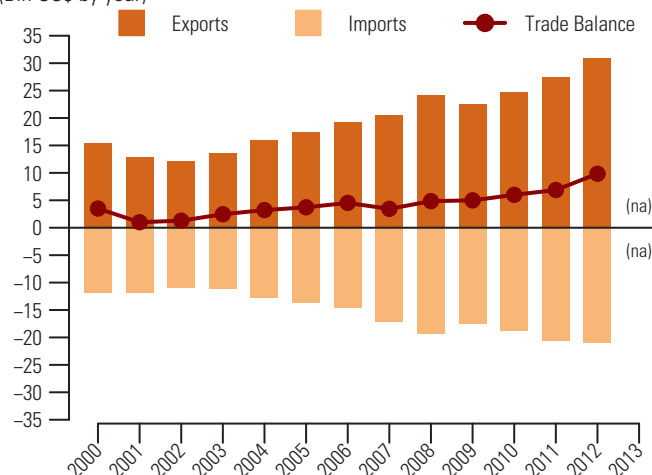
**Graph 1: Total merchandise trade, by value**

(Bln US\$ by year)



**Graph 2: Total services trade, by value**

(Bln US\$ by year)

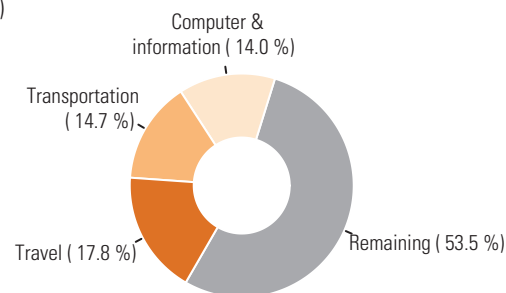


## Exports Profile:

"Goods classified chiefly by material" (SITC section 6), "chemicals" (SITC section 5) and "machinery and transport equipment" (SITC section 7) were the largest commodity groups for exports in 2013 representing respectively 33.4, 27.1 and 24.2 percent of exported goods (see table 2). From 2011 to 2013, the largest export commodity was "diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set" (HS code 7102) (see table 1). The top three destinations for merchandise exports were the United States, China, Hong Kong SAR and the United Kingdom, accounting for respectively 27.6, 7.9 and 5.5 percent of total exports. "Travel" (EBOPS code 236) accounted for the largest share of exports of services in 2012 at 5.5 bln US\$, followed by "Transportation" (EBOPS code 205) at 4.5 bln US\$ and "Computer and information services" (EBOPS code 262) at 4.3 bln US\$ (see graph 3).

**Graph 3: Exports of services by EBOPS category**

(% share in 2012)



**Table 1: Top 10 export commodities 2011 to 2013**

HS code	4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2007	Value (million US\$)			Unit value				SITC code
		2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013	Unit	
All Commodities.....		67 796.3	63 140.6	66 781.2					
7102 Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set.....		20 656.2	17 470.2	19 016.2					667
3004 Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06).....		4 891.8	4 415.3	3 284.1					542
3824 Prepared binders for foundry moulds or cores.....		3 409.4	2 203.1	4 039.9					598
8542 Electronic integrated circuits.....		1 787.1	2 828.9	4 075.4					776
3003 Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06).....		1 987.9	1 954.4	2 592.1					542
8517 Electrical apparatus for line telephony or line telegraphy.....		2 190.2	2 053.8	1 788.2					764
8803 Parts of goods of heading 88.01 or 88.02.....		1 753.6	1 576.8	1 865.3					792
3105 Mineral or chemical fertilisers.....		1 798.9	1 562.5	1 439.9	1.2	0.5		US\$/kg	562
9018 Instruments and appliances used in medical, surgical, dental or veterinary.....		1 112.7	1 204.9	1 320.9					872
9031 Measuring or checking instruments, appliances and machines.....		1 251.6	1 046.9	1 186.2					874

## Services Imports and Exports: EBOPS 2002 categories

Table 2: Merchandise exports by SITC

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

SITC	2013	Avg. Growth rates		2013 share
		2009-2013	2012-2013	
Total	66781.2	8.6	5.8	100.0
0+1	2091.4	7.0	6.0	3.1
2+4	1016.0	5.8	-7.3	1.5
3	1055.0	163.2	-1.7	1.6
5	18108.7	10.9	7.1	27.1
6	22287.8	11.4	6.5	33.4
7	16143.2	2.4	4.1	24.2
8	5426.5	7.3	-1.4	8.1
9	652.6	25.7	315.2	1.0

Table 3: Merchandise imports by SITC

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

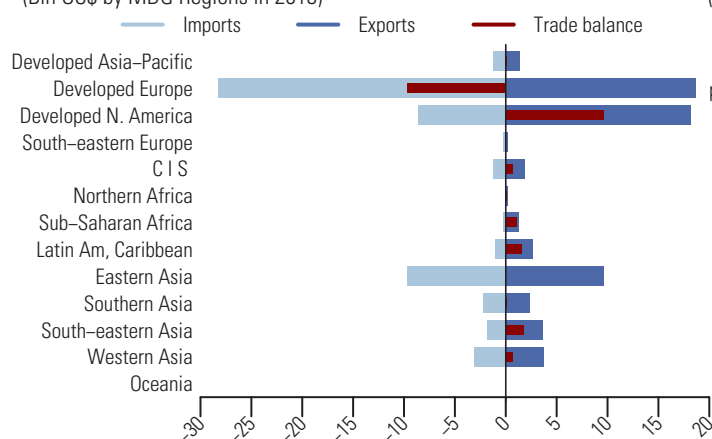
SITC	2013	Avg. Growth rates		2013 share
		2009-2013	2012-2013	
Total	71995.0	11.0	-1.5	100.0
0+1	4779.4	10.6	3.8	6.6
2+4	1585.4	9.9	0.1	2.2
3	14552.9	15.9	-9.5	20.2
5	7997.7	9.2	-3.4	11.1
6	16068.7	12.2	7.0	22.3
7	20252.4	8.8	-3.8	28.1
8	6336.8	9.2	5.1	8.8
9	421.7	5.1	-6.5	0.6

SITC Legend

SITC Code	Description
Total	All commodities
0+1	Food, animals + beverages, tobacco
2+4	Crude materials + anim. & veg. oils
3	Mineral fuels, lubricants
5	Chemicals
6	Goods classified chiefly by material
7	Machinery and transport equipment
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles
9	Not classified elsewhere in the SITC

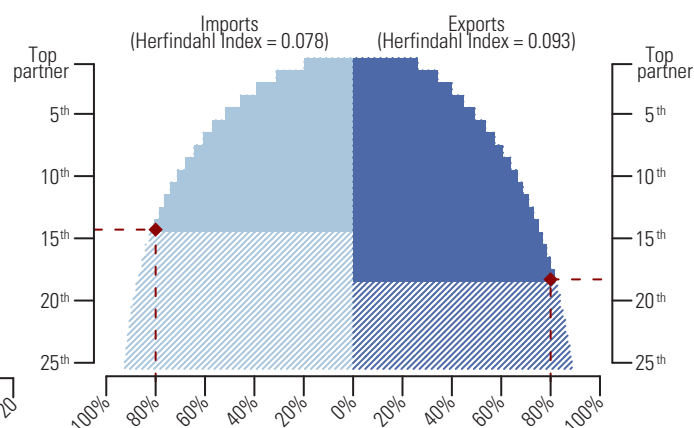
Graph 4: Merchandise trade balance

(Bln US\$ by MDG Regions in 2013)



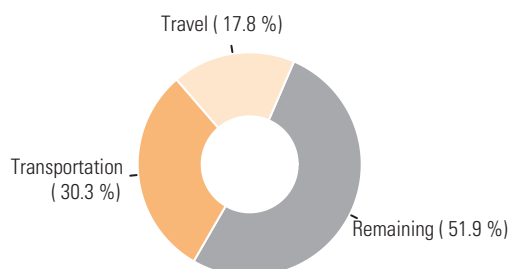
Graph 5: Partner concentration of merchandise trade

(Cumulative share by ranked partners in 2013)



Graph 6: Imports of services by EBOPS category

(% share in 2012)



## Imports Profile:

"Machinery and transport equipment" (SITC section 7), "goods classified chiefly by material" (SITC section 6) and "mineral fuels, lubricants" (SITC section 3) were the largest commodity groups for imports in 2013 representing respectively 28.1, 22.3 and 20.2 percent of imported goods (see table 3). From 2011 to 2013, the largest import commodity was "diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set" (HS code 7102) (see table 4). The top three partners for merchandise imports were Area nes, the United States and China, accounting for respectively 19.2, 12.0 and 7.5 percent of total imports. "Transportation" (EBOPS code 205) accounted for the largest share of imports of services in 2012 at 6.4 bln US\$, followed by "Travel" (EBOPS code 236) at 3.8 bln US\$ (see graph 6).

Table 4: Top 10 import commodities 2011 to 2013

HS code	4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2007	Value (million US\$)			Unit value				SITC code
		2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013	Unit	
All Commodities.....		73526.1	73112.1	71995.0					
7102 Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set.....		10773.0	8225.9	9014.2					667
2709 Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude.....		8645.7	9472.0	9062.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	US\$/kg	333
2710 Petroleum oils, other than crude.....		2985.2	4764.2	3698.8					334
8703 Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport.....		3360.1	2896.3	3220.1	14.9		14.1	thsd US\$/unit	781
8542 Electronic integrated circuits.....		1407.6	2080.2	1846.6					776
8517 Electrical apparatus for line telephony or line telegraphy.....		1841.3	1464.0	1450.9					764
2701 Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal.....		1573.3	1463.4	1157.1	0.1		0.1	US\$/kg	321
3004 Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06).....		1327.6	1321.8	1471.4					542
8471 Automatic data processing machines and units thereof.....		1307.8	1293.5	1298.3					752
8486 Machines and apparatus used for the manufacture of semiconductor devices.....		1608.9	993.4	213.4					728