# **MONTHLY TRADE TRENDS: OCTOBER 2021-NOVEMBER 2021**



### MERCHANDISE TRADE

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Among the selected traders, the Republic of Korea reported the strongest growth in November for both exports (+32%) and imports (+44%). On the exports side, the United Kingdom showed positive year-on-year growth (+7%) in November, however this increase was smaller than the previous period (+26%) in October.

|                                       | Value, Bn\$ |        |        | Monthly year-on-year growth (%) |        |        |        |        |        |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Exports                               | Oct-21      | Nov-21 | Oct-20 | Nov-20                          | Jul-21 | Aug-21 | Sep-21 | Oct-21 | Nov-21 |
| China                                 | 300         | 326    | 11     | 21                              | 19     | 26     | 28     | 27     | 22     |
| European Union Extra-Trade            | 221         | 230    | -4     | 6                               | 14     | 19     | 9      | 5      | 10     |
| United States of America <sup>1</sup> | 165         | 156    | -7     | -8                              | 28     | 26     | 17     | 24     | 24     |
| Japan                                 | 64          | 65     | 3      | 0                               | 33     | 22     | 8      | 2      | 10     |
| United Kingdom                        | 46          | 40     | -12    | -1                              | 16     | 11     | 16     | 26     | 7      |
| Korea, Republic of                    | 56          | 60     | -4     | 4                               | 30     | 35     | 17     | 24     | 32     |
| Memorandum items                      | '           |        |        |                                 |        |        |        |        |        |
| European Union Total Trade            | 579         | 597    | 0      | 8                               | 18     | 19     | 13     | 10     | 13     |
| European Union Intra-Trade            | 358         | 367    | 3      | 9                               | 20     | 19     | 15     | 13     | 15     |
| Imports                               |             |        | -      |                                 |        |        |        |        |        |
| China                                 | 216         | 254    | 5      | 5                               | 28     | 33     | 18     | 21     | 32     |
| European Union Extra-Trade            | 227         | 239    | -9     | 1                               | 23     | 34     | 26     | 27     | 33     |
| United States of America              | 261         | 270    | 0      | 7                               | 20     | 22     | 19     | 15     | 23     |
| Japan                                 | 64          | 73     | -11    | -7                              | 24     | 40     | 33     | 18     | 32     |
| United Kingdom                        | 62          | 65     | -5     | 13                              | 13     | 3      | -5     | -3     | 1      |
| Korea, Republic of                    | 54          | 57     | -6     | -2                              | 38     | 44     | 31     | 38     | 44     |
| Memorandum items                      |             |        |        |                                 |        |        |        |        |        |
| European Union Total Trade            | 571         | 598    | -2     | 6                               | 22     | 24     | 19     | 18     | 21     |
| European Union Intra-Trade            | 344         | 359    | 2      | 9                               | 21     | 18     | 15     | 12     | 15     |

<sup>1.</sup> FAS: Free Alongside Ship.

#### TRADE IN COMMERCIAL SERVICES

China continued to report the strongest year-on-year growth of exports of trade in commercial services, +63% in November. The United States of America saw the largest growth of imports in the group of selected traders, while the European Union and Japan showed equal year-on-year growth, +4% in November.

| Selected traders                        | Value, Bn\$ |        | Monthly year-on-year growth (%) |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|---|-------------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Exports                                 | Oct-21      | Nov-21 | Oct-20                          | Nov-20 | Jul-21 | Aug-21 | Sep-21 | Oct-21 | Nov-21 |
| European Union Extra-Trade <sup>1</sup> | 107         | 106    | -9                              | -5     | 33     | 35     | 26     | 19     | 22     |
| United States of America <sup>2</sup>   | 63          | 66     | -23                             | -21    | 16     | 15     | 14     | 14     | 17     |
| China                                   | 33          | 37     | -1                              | -1     | 31     | 50     | 51     | 52     | 63     |
| United Kingdom <sup>1,2</sup>           | 35          | 35     | -11                             | -10    | 18     | 15     | 12     | 9      | 5      |
| Japan                                   | 12          | 14     | -29                             | -22    | 13     | 29     | 3      | 6      | 2      |
| India <sup>1</sup>                      | 20          | 20     | -6                              | -5     | 14     | 24     | 25     | 20     | 18     |
| Korea, Republic of                      | 10          | 11     | -12                             | -6     | 44     | 56     | 49     | 40     | 33     |
| Imports                                 |             |        |                                 |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| European Union Extra-Trade <sup>1</sup> | 84          | 84     | -14                             | -14    | 26     | 34     | 19     | 4      | 4      |
| United States of America <sup>2</sup>   | 46          | 47     | -23                             | -21    | 34     | 33     | 29     | 27     | 26     |
| China                                   | 31          | 37     | -25                             | -20    | 10     | 23     | 26     | 12     | 23     |
| United Kingdom <sup>1,2</sup>           | 19          | 19     | -26                             | -27    | 18     | 13     | 12     | 9      | 7      |
| Japan                                   | 18          | 17     | -17                             | -14    | 22     | 13     | 2      | 15     | 4      |
| India <sup>1,3</sup>                    | 12          | 13     | -12                             | -12    | 13     | 24     | 24     | 22     | 24     |
| Korea, Republic of                      | 10          | 11     | -20                             | -16    | 22     | 26     | 14     | 19     | 21     |

- Total Services
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   Seasonally adjusted
   Data do not include part of the costs for freight transport and insurance (i.e. cif/fob adjustment).

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## **NOTES**

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- 1. Data can be downloaded on our website <u>stats.wto.org</u>, by selecting the following indicators:
- Total merchandise exports monthly
- Total merchandise imports monthly
- Commercial services exports of selected economies monthly
- · Commercial services imports of selected economies monthly
- 2. The publication is updated with the same frequency as the data release around the 25th of the month.
- 3. The economies/territories shown in the publication represent a selection of our coverage of reporting economies and territories. In particular, the reporter "European Union" now reflects the current membership of 27 economies (no longer including the United Kingdom).

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