

FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS (ECOMEX). September 2025

Exports of goods from the Basque Country were down 7.9% in September 2025

During the first nine months of 2025, exports declined by 3.6%

In September 2025, **exports of goods** from the Basque Country recorded a decrease of 7.9% in year-on-year terms, according to Eustat data. They totalled 2,379.2 million euros, compared to 2,582.8 million in the same month of the previous year. Exports of *Energy products* increased by 64.2%, while those of *Non-energy products* fell by 10.8%.

This month, there was a positive trade balance in the order of 35 million euros and the coverage rate stood at 101.5%.

Álava was the province that recorded the most negative trend (-31.5%), which affected the Basque Country as a whole. In Bizkaia, exports rose by 6.1%, and in Gipuzkoa they were up 1.4%.

Evolution of Foreign Trade of goods of the Basque Country. Thousands of euros. September 2025

	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	September			September		
	2024	2025	Increase (%)	2024	2025	Increase (%)
BASQUE COUNTRY						
TOTAL FOR THE MONTH	2,582,838	2,379,197	-7.9	2,335,636	2,343,925	0.4
ENERGETIC PRODUCTS	101,050	165,895	64.2	515,543	520,112	0.9
NON ENERGETIC PRODUCTS	2,481,789	2,213,302	-10.8	1,820,093	1,823,812	0.2
ANNUAL ACCUMULATED	23,082,750	22,258,907	-3.6	20,393,695	20,038,453	-1.7
ENERGETIC PRODUCTS	1,604,866	961,268	-40.1	5,440,352	4,249,732	-21.9
NON ENERGETIC PRODUCTS	21,477,883	21,297,639	-0.8	14,953,342	15,788,721	5.6
ARABA / ÁLAVA						
TOTAL FOR THE MONTH	858,184	587,649	-31.5	576,052	515,937	-10.4
ANNUAL ACCUMULATED	6,628,109	6,672,902	0.7	4,470,865	5,016,361	12.2
BIZKAIA						
TOTAL FOR THE MONTH	903,215	958,700	6.1	1,273,485	1,298,573	2.0
ANNUAL ACCUMULATED	9,036,770	7,999,810	-11.5	11,880,403	10,776,830	-9.3
GIPUZKOA						
TOTAL FOR THE MONTH	821,440	832,847	1.4	486,099	529,415	8.9
ANNUAL ACCUMULATED	7,417,871	7,586,195	2.3	4,042,426	4,245,262	5.0

Source: Eustat. Foreign trade statistics

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Imports of goods to the Basque Country saw a 0.4% increase, reaching a total of 2,343.9 million euros. *Energy* imports grew by 0.9%, and *non-energy* imports were up 0.2%. Imports to Álava fell by 10.4%, while imports to Bizkaia increased by 2.0% and those to Gipuzkoa rose by 8.9%.

Analysis by product (Customs Duty Group)

A more detailed look reveals that the ranking of the 969 **export groups** was topped by “*Vehicle parts and accessories*”, with 170.1 million traded and a decrease of 21.8% in respect of the same month of the previous year, followed by “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*” (163.0 million and a drop of 50.5%), “*Refined petroleum oils*” (161.2 million in exports, up 315.9%), “*Goods transport vehicles*” (72.0 million, down 48.8%) and, in fifth place, “*Iron or non-alloy steel sections*”, with 58.7 million and, in this case, a decrease of 12.9%. These five groups accounted for 26.3% of total sales in September, with a combined value of 625.1 million euros.

Ranking of monthly Exports of the Basque Country by tariff headings. Thousands of euros (p). September 2025

	2024	2025	2025 (%)	2025/2024 (%)
TOTAL EXPORTS	2.582.838	2.379.197	100.0	-7.9
Parts and accessories of motor vehicles	217.500	170.097	7.1	-21.8
Tourisms of less than 10 people	329.064	163.033	6.9	-50.5
Refined petroleum oils	38.755	161.198	6.8	315.9
Motor vehicles for goods transport	140.770	72.022	3.0	-48.8
Iron or non-alloyed profiles	67.400	58.732	2.5	-12.9
New rubber tyres	77.320	48.572	2.0	-37.2
Electrical transformers, static converters and reactance coils	26.037	47.359	2.0	81.9
Faucet articles, valves and similar organs for pipes	47.073	42.059	1.8	-10.7
Turbojet engines, propeller turbines and other combustion turbines, including their parts and components	34.650	41.635	1.7	20.2
Sheets and bands, of aluminum, of a thickness exceeding 0.2 mm	37.184	37.530	1.6	0.9
Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including the driver	13.069	36.761	1.5	181.3
Pictures, panels and support for control or distribution of electricity	24.883	33.203	1.4	33.4
Passenger cars, baggage cars, mail cars and others for railways and the like	7.036	32.749	1.4	365.4
Elevators, escalators, conveyors, etc	28.719	31.138	1.3	8.4
Other iron and steel manufacturers	26.828	29.848	1.3	11.3
Tubes and hollow profiles, without welding, of iron or steel without welding	26.242	26.930	1.1	2.6
Other cast articles of iron or steel	19.118	24.570	1.0	28.5
Transmission shafts, bearings, gear units, clutches, etc.	15.757	21.688	0.9	37.6
Soybean oil	5.111	21.310	0.9	316.9
Wine made with fresh grapes	19.616	20.951	0.9	6.8
Padlocks, locks, bolts and keys made of base metals	21.715	20.930	0.9	-3.6
Vehicle parts for rail road tracks or similar	20.521	20.403	0.9	-0.6
Connectors of electrical circuits, pins, plugs, lamp holders... for a voltage $> 0 = 1.000$ V and optical fibre connectors	18.246	20.237	0.9	10.9
Other tubes and hollow profiles of iron or steel	19.588	19.529	0.8	-0.3
Other articles of vulcanized rubber, not hardened	16.353	19.227	0.8	17.6

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Of particular note among the 25 largest customs duty groups were the year-on-year increases in exports of “*Electric transformers, static converters and inductors*” (81.9%), “*Vehicles for transporting 10 or more people, including the driver*” (181.3%), “*Railway or tramway coaches for passengers, luggage, mail, etc.*” (365.4%) and “*Soya-bean oil*” (316.9%).

Also worth highlighting, but in the opposite direction, is the decline in exports of “*New rubber tyres*”, with 48.6 million in exports and 28.7 million less than the previous year, representing a drop of 37.2%.

Ranking of monthly Exports of Álava by tariff headings. Thousands of euros (p). September 2025

	2024	2025	2025 (%)	2025/2024 (%)
TOTAL EXPORTS	858,184	587,649	100.0	-31.5
Tourisms of less than 10 people	306,155	140,220	23.9	-54.2
Motor vehicles for goods transport	140,441	71,190	12.1	-49.3
Parts and accessories of motor vehicles	49,993	34,489	5.9	-31.0
Wine made with fresh grapes	18,534	20,100	3.4	8.4
Tubes and hollow profiles, without welding, of iron or steel without welding	21,055	18,030	3.1	-14.4
New rubber tyres	50,469	17,604	3.0	-65.1
Pictures, panels and support for control or distribution of electricity	12,984	14,580	2.5	12.3
Tubes and tube fittings (for example, fittings, elbows, sleeves), of nickel	4,364	13,518	2.3	209.7
Other tubes and hollow profiles of iron or steel	12,658	12,741	2.2	0.6
Parts of aircraft with or without engines, manned or not and parts of satellites and space vehicles	14,605	12,705	2.2	-13.0

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In Álava, the three main export groups registered year-on-year decreases of over 30%, namely “Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats” (-54.2%), “Goods transport vehicles” (-49.3%) and “Vehicle parts and accessories” (-31.0%). Also of note was the drop in exports of “New rubber tyres” (-65.1%) and the increase in exports of “Nickel tubes, pipes and tube or pipe fittings (for example, couplings, elbows, sleeves)” (209.7%).

Compared to September of the previous year, the customs duty groups included in the vehicle sector saw a decline of 283.6 million, with exports falling from 547.0 million to 263.5 million, a decrease of 51.8%.

Ranking of monthly Exports of Bizkaia by tariff headings. Thousands of euros (p). September 2025

	2024	2025	2025 (%)	2025/2024 (%)
TOTAL EXPORTS	903,215	958,700	100.0	6.1
Refined petroleum oils	36,164	158,425	16.5	338.1
Parts and accessories of motor vehicles	91,523	67,078	7.0	-26.7
Turbojet engines, propeller turbines and other combustion turbines, including their parts and components	34,408	41,471	4.3	20.5
New rubber tyres	26,172	30,291	3.2	15.7
Electrical transformers, static converters and reactance coils	17,240	26,883	2.8	55.9
Sheets and bands, of aluminum, of a thickness exceeding 0.2 mm	28,249	25,546	2.7	-9.6
Soybean oil	5,111	21,310	2.2	316.9
Tourisms of less than 10 people	21,933	21,294	2.2	-2.9
Connectors of electrical circuits, pins, plugs, lamp holders... for a voltage > 0 = 1 000 V and optical fibre connectors	16,251	17,634	1.8	8.5
Bars and sections, in stainless steel	17,288	16,554	1.7	-4.2

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In **Bizkaia**, of particular note among the top ten groups were the rises in exports of “*Refined petroleum oils*” (158.4 million in exports, 122.3 million more than the previous year, representing an increase of 338.1%), “*Electric transformers, static converters and inductors*” (26.9 million in exports, up 55.9%) and “*Soya-bean oil*” (21.3 million in exports, up 316.9%). By contrast, there was a decrease in sales of “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (67.1 million in exports, 24.4 million less than the previous year, a drop of 26.7%).

Ranking of monthly Exports of Gipuzkoa by tariff headings. Thousands of euros (p). September 2025

	2024	2025	2025 (%)	2025/2024 (%)
TOTAL EXPORTS	821,440	832,847	100.0	1.4
Parts and accessories of motor vehicles	75,984	68,530	8.2	-9.8
Iron or non-alloyed profiles	65,001	55,628	6.7	-14.4
Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including the driver	12,926	34,362	4.1	165.8
Passenger cars, baggage cars, mail cars and others for railways and the like	7,036	32,749	3.9	365.4
Faucet articles, valves and similar organs for pipes	27,333	27,580	3.3	0.9
Elevators, escalators, conveyors, etc	25,888	25,794	3.1	-0.4
Padlocks, locks, bolts and keys made of base metals	19,682	19,012	2.3	-3.4
Vehicle parts for rail road tracks or similar	17,758	18,208	2.2	2.5
Electrical transformers, static converters and reactance coils	6,745	18,195	2.2	169.8
Other iron and steel manufacturers	15,036	17,389	2.1	15.6

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In **Gipuzkoa**, there were considerable increases in exports of “*Vehicles for transporting 10 or more people, including the driver*” (165.8%), with 34.4 million in exports, “*Railway or tramway coaches for passengers, luggage, mail, etc.*” (365.4%), with 32.7 million in exports, and “*Electric transformers, static converters and inductors*” (169.8%), with 18.2 million in exports. On the other hand, there was a downturn in sales of “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (7.4 million euros less than in September 2024, -9.8%) and “*Iron or non-alloy steel sections*” (55.6 million in exports, down 14.4%).

Imports of “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*” grew by 49.7%, while those of “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” fell by 55.6%

An analysis of **imports by customs duty group** reveals that the third most significant group, “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*”, representing 1.9% of the total, registered an increase of 49.7%. There was also a sharp upturn in imports of “*Biodiesel and mixtures thereof, not containing or containing less than 70% by weight of petroleum oils or oils obtained from bituminous minerals*” (143.5%), which rose from 14.5 to 35.3 million, and “*Telephone sets and other apparatus for the transmission or reception of voice, images or other data*” (341.7%). In contrast, there was a significant decrease in imports of “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (-55.6%), which fell from 92.0 to 40.9 million, and “*Internal combustion engines, diesel or semi-diesel*” (-58.9%, from 64.7 to 26.6 million).

Source/destination countries, September 2025

This month, the top positions in the export ranking were occupied by:

- **France**: received products from the Basque Country worth 366.4 million euros, with a coverage rate of 186.0%.
- **Germany**: 352.7 million euros' worth of goods were exported to this country, with a coverage rate of 108.6%.
- **Italy**: exports amounted to 163.3 million euros, with a coverage rate of 125.1%.
- **United Kingdom**: where 148.2 million euros' worth of exports were sent, achieving a coverage rate of 222.7%.
- **Netherlands**: sales to this country reached 139.7 million, with a coverage rate of 109.2%.

These five countries absorbed 49.2% of total exports; four of them belong to the EU27, which accounted for 65.9% of exports.

This month, imports primarily came from, in order: Germany (324.9 million), France (197.0 million), China (190.9 million), Italy (130.6 million) and the Netherlands (128.0 million).

In the first nine months of 2025, there was a positive trade balance of 2,220.4 million euros, with a coverage rate of 111.1%

For the first nine months as a whole, and for exports from the Basque Country, a drop of 3.6% was registered in respect of the same period of the previous year, which represented a decrease of 823.8 million euros. The total amount of exports in this period was 22,258.9 million euros.

Bizkaia exports were the largest in the Basque Country, with a total of 7,999.8 million euros, Gipuzkoa accounted for 7,586.2 million and Álava 6,672.9 million. Exports from Bizkaia registered a decrease of 11.5%, while those from Álava and Gipuzkoa were up 0.7% and 2.3%, respectively, compared to the previous year.

In terms of the type of product, in the Basque Country as whole, exports of "Non-energy products" were the most numerous, with 21,297.6 million euros, 0.8% less than in the first nine months of 2024. This mild decrease was uneven; non-energy exports from Bizkaia fell by 5.3%, while those from Álava and Gipuzkoa were up 0.6% and 2.3% on the previous year, respectively. Exports of "Energy products" saw a downturn of 40.1% in the year-on-year comparison.

The leading export group was "*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*", with 2,246.8 million traded and a rise of 21.0%. Among the 25 main customs duty groups, the greatest increases in exports were seen in "*Railway or tramway coaches for passengers, luggage, mail, etc.*" (314.4 million in exports, up 109.5%), followed by "*Railway or tramway vehicle parts*" (359.6 million in exports and a difference of 78.0%) and "*Soya-bean oil*", with 176.9 million in exports and 111.4 million more than in the same period of the previous year.

In contrast, three of the main groups posted decreases: "*Refined petroleum oils*" (-22.5% and 242.7 million less), "*New rubber tyres*" (-32.0% and 253.7 million less) and "*Vehicle parts and accessories*" (-15.1% and 268.0 million less).

Ranking of the Basque Country exports by tariff heading, annual cumulative (p). September 2025

	Code	Denomination	Thousands euros
	TOTAL EXPORTS		22,258,907
1	8703	Tourisms of less than 10 people	2,246,839
2	8708	Parts and accessories of motor vehicles	1,505,312
3	8704	Motor vehicles for goods transport	1,015,501
4	2710	Refined petroleum oils	836,198
5	4011	New rubber tyres	539,053
6	7216	Iron or non-alloyed profiles	444,654
7	8481	Faucet articles, valves and similar organs for pipes	432,808
8	7304	Tubes and hollow profiles, without welding, of iron or steel without welding	375,752
9	8607	Vehicle parts for rail road tracks or similar	359,580
10	8411	Turbojet engines, propeller turbines and other combustion turbines, including their parts and components	353,578
11	8605	Passenger cars, baggage cars, mail cars and others for railways and the like	314,399
12	8504	Electrical transformers, static converters and reactance coils	305,559
13	7606	Sheets and bands, of aluminum, of a thickness exceeding 0.2 mm	294,859
14	7326	Other iron and steel manufacturers	275,474
15	8537	Pictures, panels and support for control or distribution of electricity	256,538
16	9990	Goods not specifically covered by the customs tariff	220,772
17	8428	Elevators, escalators, conveyors, etc	217,673
18	8702	Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including the driver	206,599
19	7325	Other cast articles of iron or steel	195,695
20	7308	Construction-based sheets, rods, profiles, tubes and similars, of cast iron, iron or steel	182,916
21	7222	Bars and sections, in stainless steel	181,589
22	8483	Transmission shafts, bearings, gear units, clutches, etc.	179,339
23	1507	Soybean oil	176,907
24	8301	Padlocks, locks, bolts and keys made of base metals	175,836
25	8501	Electric motors and generators (except generator sets)	173,224

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The export ranking for the first nine months of 2025 placed Germany as the leading recipient of Basque exports, with 14.9% of total exports, amounting to 3,325.5 million euros. Just behind Germany was France, with 3,296.1 million (14.8% of the total). They were followed by the United Kingdom (1,445.9 million and 6.5%), Italy (1,352.8 million and 6.1%) and the United States (1,323.4 million and 5.9%). Between them, these five countries accounted for 48.3% of Basque exports.

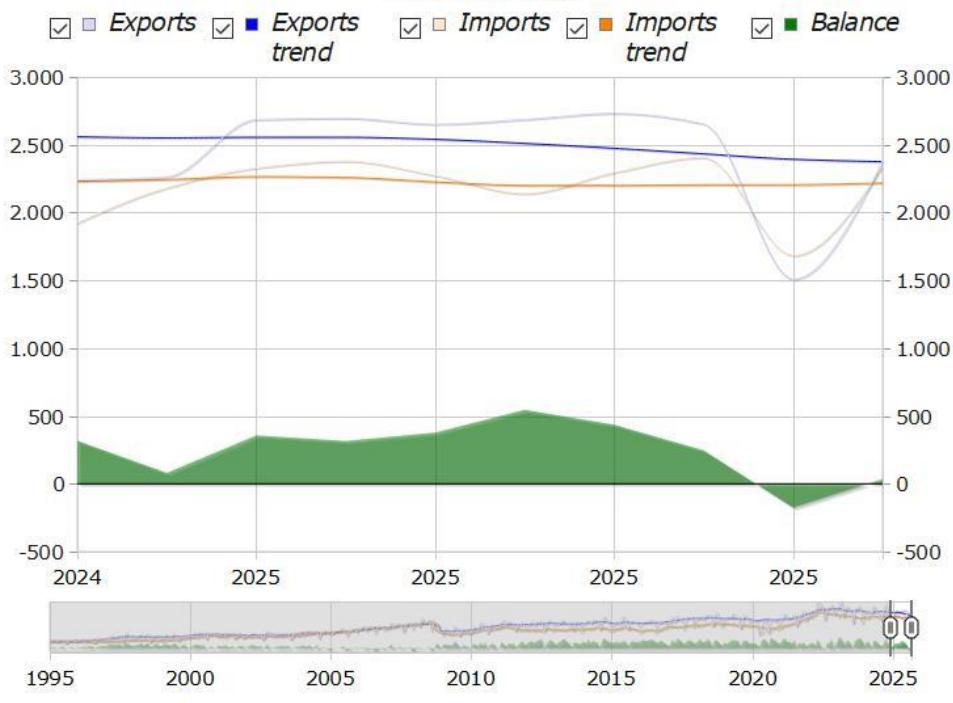
Cumulative imports for the Basque Country as a whole totalled approximately 20,038.5 million euros. The year-on-year comparison of this figure revealed that it was 355.2 million euros and 1.7% down on the equivalent for the same period of the previous year. This difference was due to the fact that Bizkaia (10,776.8 million) saw a 9.3% drop in purchases (-1,103.6 million). Meanwhile, imports rose in Álava, up 545.5 million for a total of 5,016.4 million, as well as in Gipuzkoa (up 202.8 million), with a total of 4,245.3 million.

Imports of “*Non-energy products*” were up 5.6%, but those of “*Energy products*” were down 21.9%.

Foreign trade of goods in the Basque Country from January to September 2025 had a positive balance of 2,220.4 million euros and the coverage rate reached 111.1%.

Evolution of the foreign trade of the Basque Country

Millions Euros



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