

FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS (ECOMEX). December 2024

Exports fell by 5.1% in the Basque Country in 2024, to just over 30,967 million euros

In December 2024, exports were down 5.7% and imports were up 10.8%, resulting in a trade balance of 318 million

In 2024, **exports** from the Basque Country recorded a decrease of 5.1% compared to the previous year, which represented a drop of 1,678 million euros, according to EUSTAT data. Exports of “non-energy” products fell by 5.4% and those of “energy” products were down 1.4%.

Imports, on the other hand, registered a slight rise of 0.9%, after increasing by 243.4 million compared to 2023. Imports of “energy” products were up 4.0%, while those of “non-energy” products remained almost constant (-0.1%) in respect of the previous year.

With exports amounting to 30,967.4 million euros and imports totalling 27,039.9 million, foreign trade of goods in the Basque Country had a positive balance of 3,927.4 million euros in 2023 and maintained a positive coverage rate of 114.5%.

Evolution of Foreign Trade of goods of the Basque Country. Thousands of euros. 2024

| | EXPORTS | | | IMPORTS | | |
|------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| | 2023 | 2024 | Increase (%) | 2023 | 2024 | Increase (%) |
| BASQUE COUNTRY | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 32.644.944 | 30.967.367 | -5,1 | 26.796.524 | 27.039.918 | 0,9 |
| ENERGETIC PRODUCTS | 1.962.374 | 1.935.684 | -1,4 | 6.825.425 | 7.098.648 | 4,0 |
| NON ENERGETIC PRODUCTS | 30.682.570 | 29.031.683 | -5,4 | 19.971.099 | 19.941.269 | -0,1 |
| ARABA / ÁLAVA | 10.209.966 | 9.151.483 | -10,4 | 5.945.443 | 6.161.557 | 3,6 |
| BIZKAIA | 12.388.285 | 11.854.659 | -4,3 | 15.619.818 | 15.499.554 | -0,8 |
| GIPUZKOA | 10.046.693 | 9.961.226 | -0,9 | 5.231.263 | 5.378.808 | 2,8 |

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Source: Eustat. Foreign trade statistics

EXPORTS 2024

As mentioned above, the total amount of exports for this period stood at 30,967.4 million euros: the greatest contribution to this figure was made by Bizkaia, with 11,855 million (38% of the total), followed by Gipuzkoa (9,961 million) and Álava (9,151 million).

Exports from Álava posted a year-on-year decrease of 1,058 million, representing a drop of 10.4% in relative terms. Bizkaia saw a more moderate decrease (-4.3%), with 534 million less, while Gipuzkoa registered a much smaller reduction (-0.9%), with a loss of 85 million.

Products exported in 2024

The ten most exported products (customs duty groups) accounted for almost 36.8% of exports, reaching a total of 11,380.5 million euros, and only three of these maintained positive variation rates compared to 2023: “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (+2.2% and 50.4 million more than the previous year), “*Taps, valves and similar appliances for pipes*” (+3.8%, up 21.1 million) and “*Turbo-reactors, turbo-propellers and other gas turbines, and their parts and components*” (+34.5% and 104.7 million more than the previous year).

Ranking of the Basque Country exports by tariff heading (p). 2024

| | Code | Denomination | Thousands euros |
|----|------|--|-------------------|
| | | TOTAL EXPORTS | 30.967.367 |
| 1 | 8703 | Tourisms of less than 10 people | 2.753.453 |
| 2 | 8708 | Parts and accessories of motor vehicles | 2.292.011 |
| 3 | 8704 | Motor vehicles for goods transport | 1.472.265 |
| 4 | 2710 | Refined petroleum oils | 1.302.006 |
| 5 | 4011 | New rubber tyres | 1.020.592 |
| 6 | 7216 | Iron or non-alloyed profiles | 642.644 |
| 7 | 8481 | Faucet articles, valves and similar organs for pipes | 571.048 |
| 8 | 7304 | Tubes and hollow profiles, without welding, of iron or steel without welding | 524.442 |
| 9 | 8411 | Turbojet engines, propeller turbines and other combustion turbines, including their parts and components | 408.546 |
| 10 | 7326 | Other iron and steel manufacturers | 393.479 |
| 11 | 2709 | Crude rock or bituminous mineral oils | 385.808 |
| 12 | 8603 | Diesel or electric motor units for railway tracks and motorised trams | 378.339 |
| 13 | 9990 | Goods not specifically covered by the customs tariff | 375.366 |
| 14 | 8504 | Electrical transformers, static converters and reactance coils | 370.068 |
| 15 | 8537 | Pictures, panels and support for control or distribution of electricity | 315.744 |
| 16 | 7606 | Sheets and bands, of aluminum, of a thickness exceeding 0.2 mm | 315.507 |
| 17 | 7308 | Construction-based sheets, rods, profiles, tubes and similars, of cast iron, iron or steel | 305.141 |
| 18 | 8428 | Elevators, escalators, conveyors, etc. | 303.617 |
| 19 | 7402 | Copper without refining: anodes for electrolytic refined copper | 286.908 |
| 20 | 7228 | Bars and profiles, of other alloyed steels and bars for perforation | 277.531 |
| 21 | 8607 | Vehicle parts for rail road tracks or similar | 276.746 |
| 22 | 8483 | Transmission shafts, bearings, gear units clutches, etc. | 259.910 |
| 23 | 7222 | Bars and sections, in stainless steel | 246.853 |
| 24 | 8702 | Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including the driver | 244.287 |
| 25 | 7325 | Other cast articles of iron or steel | 242.302 |

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Source: Eustat. Foreign trade statistics

Among the remaining seven products, of particular note was the decline in exports of “*Goods transport vehicles*” (657.3 million less), with a decrease of 30.9%; “*New rubber tyres*” (413.6 million less and a drop of 28.8%); and “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*”, which was once again the Basque Country’s largest export category with 2,753.5 million, despite falling by 13.8% (down 441.9 million). There was also a significant decrease in exports of “*Refined petroleum oils*” (down 20.4%, with 334 million euros less than in 2023). This was not only due to the decline in prices compared to 2023, given that there was also a significant drop of 20.7% in the number of tonnes exported, which went from 2,233,529 tonnes in 2023 to 1,770,094 tonnes for the cumulative total for 2024.

Within this ranking of the 25 customs duty groups, it is worth highlighting the notable growth in exports of “*Petroleum oils or oils obtained from bituminous minerals*” (186%), which rose from 134.9 million euros and 178,981 tonnes in 2023 to 385.8 million euros and 555,900 tonnes in 2024. There was also a boost in exports of “*Unrefined copper and copper anodes for electrolytic refining*” (73.7%), with an increase of 121.7 million. In contrast, exports were down in “*Seamless tubes and hollow profiles made of iron or steel*” (-26.0% and 184.6 million less), “*Diesel and electric motor units for railway tracks and motorised trams*” (-22.2% and -107.9 million) and “*Goods not specifically covered by the customs tariff*” (-26.5% and -135.7 million).

Álava. Exports during 2024

In Álava, exports fell by 10.4% compared to the same month of the previous year.

This decrease was primarily seen in “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*” (2,582.4 million), with a drop of 11.9%, “*Goods transport vehicles*” (1,467.3 million, -31.0%) and “*Seamless tubes and hollow profiles made of iron or steel*” (-29.1%, down 177.6 million). The product that stood out among the other customs duty groups was “*New rubber tyres*” (with an increase of 13.2% and 77.1 million more than the previous year, reaching 432.7 million in exports).

Main export tariff headings in Álava. Thousands of euros (p). 2024

| | 2023 | 2024 | 2024 % | 2024 / 2023 % |
|---|-------------------|------------------|------------|---------------|
| Total | 10.209.966 | 9.151.483 | 100 | -10,4 |
| Tourisms of less than 10 people | 2.932.441 | 2.582.407 | 10,9 | -11,9 |
| Motor vehicles for goods transport | 2.125.434 | 1.467.348 | 6,2 | -31,0 |
| New rubber tyres | 584.679 | 661.736 | 2,8 | 13,2 |
| Parts and accessories of motor vehicles | 498.393 | 540.254 | 2,3 | 8,4 |
| Tubes and hollow profiles, without welding, of iron or steel without welding | 610.331 | 432.726 | 1,8 | -29,1 |
| Wine made with fresh grapes | 202.705 | 215.034 | 0,9 | 6,1 |
| Parts of aircraft with or without engines, manned or not and parts of satellites and space vehicles | 109.374 | 153.745 | 0,7 | 40,6 |
| Other tubes and hollow profiles of iron or steel | 164.488 | 147.619 | 0,6 | -10,3 |
| Pictures, panels and support for control or distribution of electricity | 76.188 | 118.207 | 0,5 | 55,2 |
| Copper waste and scrap | 71.032 | 75.580 | 0,3 | 6,4 |

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Source: Eustat. Foreign trade statistics

Bizkaia. Exports during 2024

Exports from the province of Bizkaia were down 4.3%. “*New rubber tyres*” (-58.3%, down 491.1 million), “*Refined petroleum oils*” (-20.1% with -321.3 million) and “*Goods not specifically covered by the customs tariff*” (-28.1% and -138.0 million) were among the largest customs duty groups responsible for this decline.

Main export tariff headings in Bizkaia. Thousands of euros (p). 2024

| | 2023 | 2024 | 2024 % | 2024 / 2023 % |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------|---------------|
| Total | 12.388.285 | 11.854.659 | 100 | -4,3 |
| Refined petroleum oils | 1.597.833 | 1.276.526 | 13,9 | -20,1 |
| Parts and accessories of motor vehicles | 849.283 | 832.388 | 9,1 | -2,0 |
| Turbojet engines, propeller turbines and other combustion turbines, including their parts and components | 302.201 | 404.493 | 4,4 | 33,8 |
| Crude rock or bituminous mineral oils | 134.883 | 385.808 | 4,2 | 186,0 |
| Goods not specifically covered by the customs tariff | 491.332 | 353.350 | 3,9 | -28,1 |
| New rubber tyres | 842.192 | 351.088 | 3,8 | -58,3 |
| Electrical transformers, static converters and reactance coils | 234.253 | 295.926 | 3,2 | 26,3 |
| Unrefined Copper and Copper Anodes for Electrolytic Refining | 165.168 | 286.895 | 3,1 | 73,7 |
| Sheets and bands, of aluminum, of a thickness exceeding 0,2 mm | 191.341 | 234.241 | 2,6 | 22,4 |
| Bars and profiles, of other alloyed steels and bars for perforation | 223.928 | 196.220 | 2,1 | -12,4 |

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Source: Eustat. Foreign trade statistics

In contrast, sales were up in “*Petroleum oils or oils obtained from bituminous minerals*” (186.0% with 251 million more than the previous year), “*Unrefined copper and copper anodes for electrolytic refining*” (73.7% and +121.7 million) and “*Turbo-reactors, turbo-propellers and other gas turbines, and their parts and components*” (+33.8% and +102.3 million).

Gipuzkoa. Exports during 2024

Exports from Gipuzkoa dropped by 0.9% this year, despite the notable increases seen in customs duty groups such as “*Railway or tramway coaches for passengers, luggage, mail, etc.*” (1,211.1% and 216.5 million more than the previous year). There was also significant growth in “*Vehicles for transporting 10 or more people, including the driver*” (13.8% with +29 million) and “*Lifts, Escalators, Transporters, etc.*” (13.1% and +30.7 million), among others.

Main export tariff headings in Gipuzkoa. Thousands of euros (p). 2024

| | 2023 | 2024 | 2024 % | 2024 / 2023 % |
|---|-------------------|------------------|------------|---------------|
| Total | 10.046.693 | 9.961.226 | 100 | -0,9 |
| Parts and accessories of motor vehicles | 893.939 | 919.368 | 7,8 | 2,8 |
| Iron or non-alloyed profiles | 626.235 | 608.499 | 5,1 | -2,8 |
| Faucet articles, valves and similar organs for pipes | 373.964 | 385.795 | 3,3 | 3,2 |
| Diesel or electric motor units for railway tracks and motorised trams | 486.194 | 327.653 | 2,8 | -32,6 |
| Elevators, escalators, conveyors, etc | 233.983 | 264.724 | 2,2 | 13,1 |
| Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including the driver | 209.781 | 238.778 | 2,0 | 13,8 |
| Passenger cars, baggage cars, mail cars and others for railways and the like | 17.875 | 234.355 | 2,0 | 1211,1 |
| Vehicle parts for rail road tracks or similar | 222.568 | 226.479 | 1,9 | 1,8 |
| Other iron and steel manufacturers | 230.013 | 222.457 | 1,9 | -3,3 |
| Padlocks, locks, bolts and keys made of base metals | 210.072 | 214.226 | 1,8 | 2,0 |

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Destination countries 2024

The ranking of countries to which Basque Country exports were sent this year was topped by France, with 15.7% of the total. France was followed by Germany (14.5%), the United Kingdom (7.0%), the United States (6.4%) and Italy (5.8%). Between them, these five countries accounted for 49.4% of exports, totalling 15,289.5 million euros.

In 2024, exports to France amounted to 4,855 million euros, and were primarily concentrated in customs duty groups related to the vehicle sector (22.8% of the total compared to 24.1% in 2023): “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (340.3 million), “*New rubber tyres*” (261.0 million), “*Goods transport vehicles*” (202.3 million) and “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*” (157.2 million), for a total of 999 different products. Another important sector this year was Refined and unrefined fuels, which accounted for 14.3% of the total. The Basque Country exported large amounts of “*Refined petroleum oils*” to France, worth 321.4 million euros, which represented 6.6% of Basque exports to this country. In the case of France, exports of “*Petroleum oils or oils obtained from bituminous minerals*” (7.7% of the total) increased dramatically this year to take first place in the ranking, with 371.9 million in exports.

With a total of 4,475 million euros, Germany held second place in the ranking of countries by export destination for 2024. As in the case of France, standing out among the 955 types of products received were those related to the vehicle sector (53.7% of the total compared to 58.4% the previous year): “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*” (1,112.9 million), “*Goods transport vehicles*” (518.6 million), “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (438.7 million) and “*New rubber tyres*” (176.1 million).

In 2024, the United Kingdom accounted for 7% (2,165 million euros) of total exports from the Basque Country. Of these, 21.8% belonged to the vehicle sector, compared to 26.6% the year before: “*New rubber tyres*” (97.0 million), “*Goods transport vehicles*” (96.5 million), “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*” (94.2 million), “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (93.8 million) and “*Vehicles for transporting 10 or more people, including the driver*” (67.3 million). The top positions in the ranking of exports to England were taken by “*Turbo-reactors, turbo-propellers and other gas turbines, and their parts and components*” (225.1 million), “*Refined petroleum oils*” (209.7 million) and “*Iron or non-alloy steel sections*” (184.4 million), totalling 881 different products.

IMPORTS 2024

Imports for the Basque Country as a whole amounted to 27,040 million euros. In year-on-year terms, this figure is 243.4 million euros more than that registered in 2023. Bizkaia imported goods worth 15,499.6 million euros, which is 0.8% (120.3 million euros) less than the equivalent figure for the previous year. Gipuzkoa's imports amounted to 5,378.8 million euros, representing an increase of 2.8% (147.5 million euros). Álava also saw a rise in imports (3.6%), with 216.1 million euros more than the previous year. Some 6,161.6 million euros' worth of goods were imported during this period.

Imports of “*Energy products*” were 4.0% higher than in the previous year and those of “*Non-energy products*” were down 0.1%.

Products imported in 2024

The ten products (customs duty groups) occupying the top positions in the Basque import ranking accounted for 40.1% of imports, reaching a total of 10,847 million euros. Only three of these presented negative growth rates in respect of 2023, while the rest had positive rates. “*Petroleum oils or oils obtained from bituminous minerals*” stood out with 4,960.3 million in exports [sic], which was an increase of 219.8 million compared to 2023 (4.6%). In second place this year was “*Refined petroleum oils*” (1,665.5 million), with an increase of 37.7% and 456 million euros more than the previous year. “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (974.1 million) was in third place, followed by “*Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of 600 mm or more, hot-rolled, not clad, plated or coated*” (581.9 million) and “*Internal combustion engines, diesel or semi-diesel*” (545.1 million). Of particular note

among the top 25 customs duty groups was the rise in “Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats” (up 841.8%, going from 34 million in 2023 to 320.8 million in 2024). Standing out among the products that saw a decrease were “Petroleum gas and other hydrocarbon gases” (432.2 million compared to 748.1 million in 2023) and “Electric accumulators and parts thereof” (down 49.8% on 2023).

Source countries 2024

Looking at imports by country, at the top of the list was Germany, with 4,015.7 million (14.9% of the total), followed by France (2,147.4 million and 7.9%), China (1,888.4 million and 7.0%), the United States (1,561.1 million and 5.8%), Italy (1,301.6 million and 4.8%), Brazil (1,143.9 million) and Mexico (1,115.9 million and 4.1%).

In December 2024, exports were down 5.7% and imports were up 10.8%, resulting in a trade balance of 318 million

In December 2024, **exports of goods** from the Basque Country recorded a decrease of 5.7% in year-on-year terms. They totalled 2,243 million euros compared to 2,380 million in the same month of the previous year. Exports of *energy products* fell by 84.8% and those of *non-energy products* were up 4.6%.

Bizkaia was the province that registered the largest decrease, with -23.4%, primarily due to the drop in exports of *energy products* (-85.4%). In Gipuzkoa, exports as a whole were down 2.1%, and in Álava they rose by 17.6%.

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

December 2024

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| | EXPORTS | | | IMPORTS | | |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | December | | | December | | |
| | 2023 | 2024 | Increase (%) | 2023 | 2024 | Increase (%) |
| BASQUE COUNTRY | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FOR THE MONTH | 2.380.236 | 2.243.439 | -5,7 | 1.736.773 | 1.925.043 | 10,8 |
| ENERGETIC PRODUCTS | 274.890 | 41.823 | -84,8 | 408.189 | 474.712 | 16,3 |
| NON ENERGETIC PRODUCTS | 2.105.347 | 2.201.616 | 4,6 | 1.328.584 | 1.450.332 | 9,2 |
| ANNUAL ACCUMULATED | 32.644.944 | 30.967.367 | -5,1 | 26.796.524 | 27.039.918 | 0,9 |
| ENERGETIC PRODUCTS | 1.962.374 | 1.935.684 | -1,4 | 6.825.425 | 7.098.648 | 4,0 |
| NON ENERGETIC PRODUCTS | 30.682.570 | 29.031.683 | -5,4 | 19.971.099 | 19.941.269 | -0,1 |
| ARABA / ÁLAVA | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FOR THE MONTH | 627.420 | 737.920 | 17,6 | 385.200 | 496.505 | 28,9 |
| ANNUAL ACCUMULATED | 10.209.966 | 9.151.483 | -10,4 | 5.945.443 | 6.161.557 | 3,6 |
| BIZKAIA | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FOR THE MONTH | 991.838 | 760.241 | -23,4 | 975.101 | 1.014.164 | 4,0 |
| ANNUAL ACCUMULATED | 12.388.285 | 11.854.659 | -4,3 | 15.619.818 | 15.499.554 | -0,8 |
| GIPUZKOA | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FOR THE MONTH | 760.979 | 745.278 | -2,1 | 376.471 | 414.374 | 10,1 |
| ANNUAL ACCUMULATED | 10.046.693 | 9.961.226 | -0,9 | 5.231.263 | 5.378.808 | 2,8 |

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Source: Eustat. Foreign trade statistics

Imports of goods to the Basque Country saw a 10.8% rise, reaching a total of 1,925 million euros. Energy imports increased by 16.3%, and *non-energy* imports were up 9.2%. By province, imports were up 28.9% in Álava, 10.1% in Gipuzkoa and 4.0% in Bizkaia.

Ranking of monthly Exports of the Basque Country by tariff headings. Thousands of euros (p). December 2024

| | 2023 | 2024 | 2024 (%) | 2024/2023 (%) |
|--|------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| TOTAL EXPORTS | 2.380.236 | 2.243.439 | 100,0 | -5,7 |
| Tourisms of less than 10 people | 203.504 | 248.480 | 11,1 | 22,1 |
| Parts and accessories of motor vehicles | 145.393 | 135.407 | 6,0 | -6,9 |
| Motor vehicles for goods transport | 129.158 | 103.245 | 4,6 | -20,1 |
| Iron or non-alloyed profiles | 49.855 | 54.993 | 2,5 | 10,3 |
| New rubber tyres | 83.708 | 54.885 | 2,4 | -34,4 |
| Faucet articles, valves and similar organs for pipes | 36.739 | 50.526 | 2,3 | 37,5 |
| Tubes and hollow profiles, without welding, of iron or steel without welding | 37.625 | 48.112 | 2,1 | 27,9 |
| Diesel or electric motor units for railway tracks and motorised trams | 79.162 | 43.529 | 1,9 | -45,0 |
| Electrical transformers, static converters and reactance coils | 28.042 | 36.620 | 1,6 | 30,6 |
| Pictures, panels and support for control or distribution of electricity | 17.398 | 34.714 | 1,5 | 99,5 |
| Turbojet engines, propeller turbines and other combustion turbines, including their parts and components | 26.552 | 32.171 | 1,4 | 21,2 |
| Refined petroleum oils | 220.761 | 29.322 | 1,3 | -86,7 |
| Other iron and steel manufacturers | 23.545 | 28.124 | 1,3 | 19,4 |
| Vehicle parts for rail road tracks or similar | 14.485 | 27.555 | 1,2 | 90,2 |
| Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including the driver | 17.816 | 27.130 | 1,2 | 52,3 |
| Soybean oil | 10.453 | 26.997 | 1,2 | 158,3 |
| The demas motors, motor machines and their parts: hydraulics, tyres, etc. | 5.095 | 23.116 | 1,0 | 353,7 |
| Passenger cars, baggage cars, mail cars and others for railways and the like | 17.637 | 22.727 | 1,0 | 28,9 |
| Electric motors and generators (except generator sets) | 16.152 | 21.627 | 1,0 | 33,9 |
| Machine tools for drilling, reaming, milling or threading metal by removing material, other than lathes | 22.628 | 20.863 | 0,9 | -7,8 |
| Copper without refining; anodes for electrolytic refined copper | 15.077 | 19.974 | 0,9 | 32,5 |
| Electric generating sets and rotary converters | 2.477 | 19.958 | 0,9 | 705,6 |
| Other tubes and hollow profiles of iron or steel | 12.549 | 19.709 | 0,9 | 57,0 |
| Frozen without filleting fish | 24.999 | 18.844 | 0,8 | -24,6 |
| Wine made with fresh grapes | 17.136 | 17.693 | 0,8 | 3,3 |

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Source: Eustat. Foreign trade statistics

The three main export groups, with 487 million traded, belonged to the vehicle sector, and as a whole they increased by 1.9% compared to December 2023

A more detailed analysis reveals that the ranking of export groups was led by “*Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats*” (248.9 million traded and a rise of 22.1% compared to the same month of the previous year), “*Vehicle parts and accessories*” (135.4 million in exports but down 6.9% on the same month of the previous year), “*Goods transport vehicles*” (103.2 million and down 20.1%), “*Iron or non-*

“alloy steel sections” (55.0 million and up 10.3%), “New rubber tyres” (54.9 million and a decrease of 34.4%), and “Taps, valves and similar appliances for pipes” (50.5 million and an increase of 37.5%). Also of note was the significant decline in exports of “Refined petroleum oils”, given that they fell from 220.8 million in December 2023 to 29.3 million in 2024 (-86.7%).

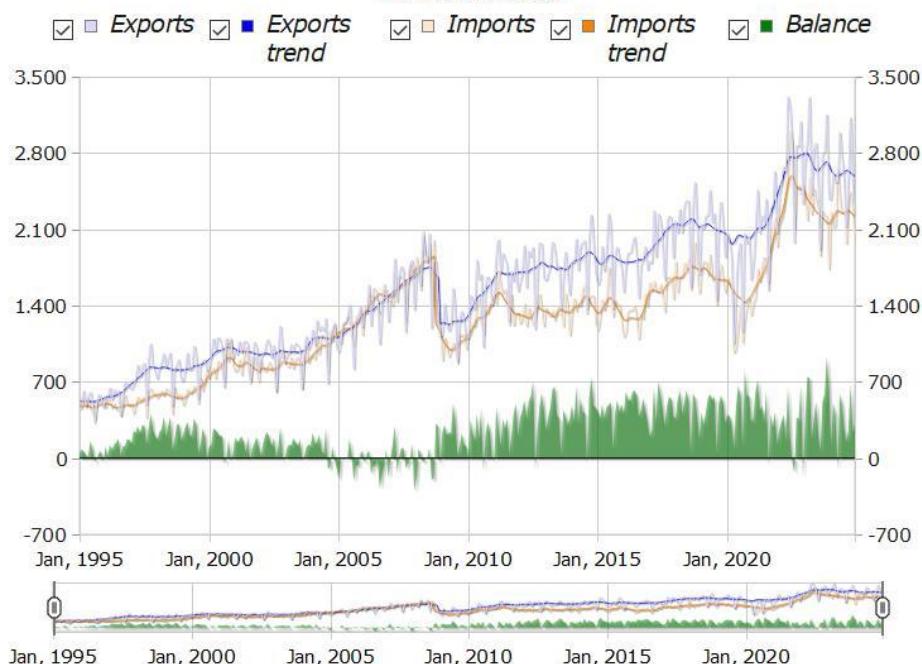
In December, Germany, France, the United States, the United Kingdom and Italy were the Basque Country’s biggest customers, absorbing 46.8% of total exports. Three of these five countries belong to the EU27, which accounted for 55.5% of exports.

An analysis of **imports** by customs duty group reveals that the most significant group, “Petroleum oils or oils obtained from bituminous minerals”, representing 18.4% of the total, registered an increase of 18.3%. There was also growth in imports of “Vehicle parts and accessories” (21.6%), “Petroleum gas and other hydrocarbon gases” (46.2%), “Soya beans, whether or not broken” (121.1%) and, above all, “Passenger cars with fewer than 10 seats” (1,369.2%), which rose from 2.5 million euros to 37 million euros.

This month, imports primarily came from, in order: Germany (300.9 million), Mexico (201.4 million), China (152.9 million), France (149.4 million), the United States (97.8 million), the Netherlands (90.8 million) and Italy (90.7 million).

Evolution of the foreign trade of the Basque Country

Millions Euros



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