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Foreign trade January to May 2020: decrease in imports (-14.3%) and exports (-12.9%)

Vienna, 2020-08-07 – The lockdown in Austria and numerous other countries due to COVID-19 was reflected in the Austrian International Trade in Goods Statistics (ITGS) with sharp falls in both trade flows in May (imports: -24.8%, exports: -25.5%). In the period January to May 2020, total imports amounted to €58.08 bn and total exports added up to €57.00 bn, according to preliminary results by Statistics Austria. Compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, Austrian imports decreased by 14.3% and Austrian exports declined by 12.9%. The global ITGS balance showed a deficit of €1.08 bn. Working-day adjusted, the rates of decrease were 13.5% for imports and 12.0% for exports.

For more detailed information please refer to the [German version](#). Visualisations of the foreign trade data for 2019 are available in the [ITGS-Atlas](#), the interactive tree maps on [imports](#) as well as [exports](#) and a [bar diagram](#).