

MERCHANDISE TRADE VOLUME

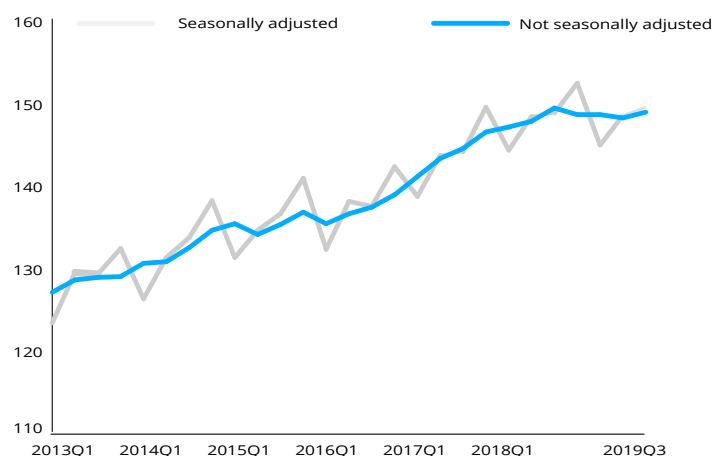
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0.5%

World merchandise trade volumes increased **0.5%** in the third quarter of 2019 over the previous quarter, in seasonal adjusted terms.

1. Average of exports and imports.
Source: WTO-UNCTAD

Indices, 2005=100

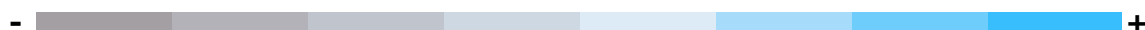


World exports increased by **0.4%**, with Asian exports contributing the most to this result (**+2.1%**). All the other regions grew below the world average. Imports increased by **0.6%**. Almost all regions grew above world average, with the exception of Asia (**0.1%**). Europe recorded a strong rebound at **1.1%**.

Quarter-over-quarter growth, %, seasonally adjusted

	Exports				Imports			
	2018Q4	2019Q1	2019Q2	2019Q3	2018Q4	2019Q1	2019Q2	2019Q3
World	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3	0.4	-0.7	0.1	-0.3	0.6
North America	-0.5	1.0	0.7	0.1	1.1	-0.7	-0.4	0.6
South & Central America	1.0	-2.0	-3.4	-2.6	-3.0	0.4	-0.4	1.2
Europe	-0.6	0.9	-1.1	-0.4	0.2	1.3	-1.9	1.1
Asia	-0.3	-0.9	0.5	2.1	-2.8	-1.0	1.4	0.1
Other ¹	-0.3	-1.6	-0.5	0.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.5

Color Key



1. Includes the Caribbean

2. Comprise of Africa, Middle East and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)

Source: WTO-UNCTAD

Data can be retrieved in [WTO Data](#) by selecting "Merchandise export volume indices, seasonally adjusted - quarterly" and "Merchandise import volume indices, seasonally adjusted - quarterly"

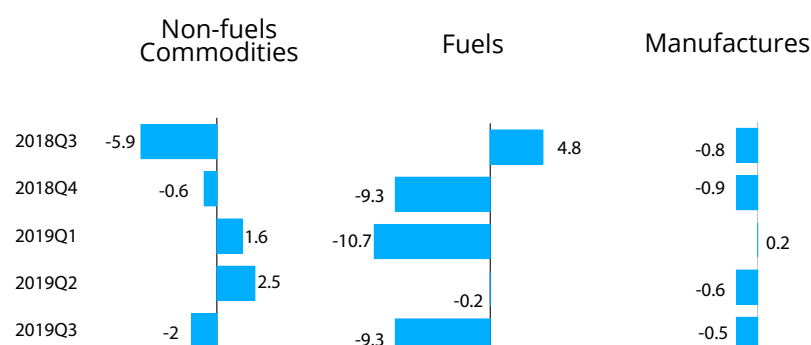
MERCHANDISE TRADE PRICES & VALUES

Prices were overall low in 2019Q3. After a slight recovery in the previous quarter, fuel prices drop by **9.3%** in 2019Q3. Non-fuel commodities decreased by 2%, whereas manufacture prices dipped by **0.5%**.

Data can be retrieved in [WTO Data](#) by selecting "Export and Import prices of manufacturing goods - Monthly"

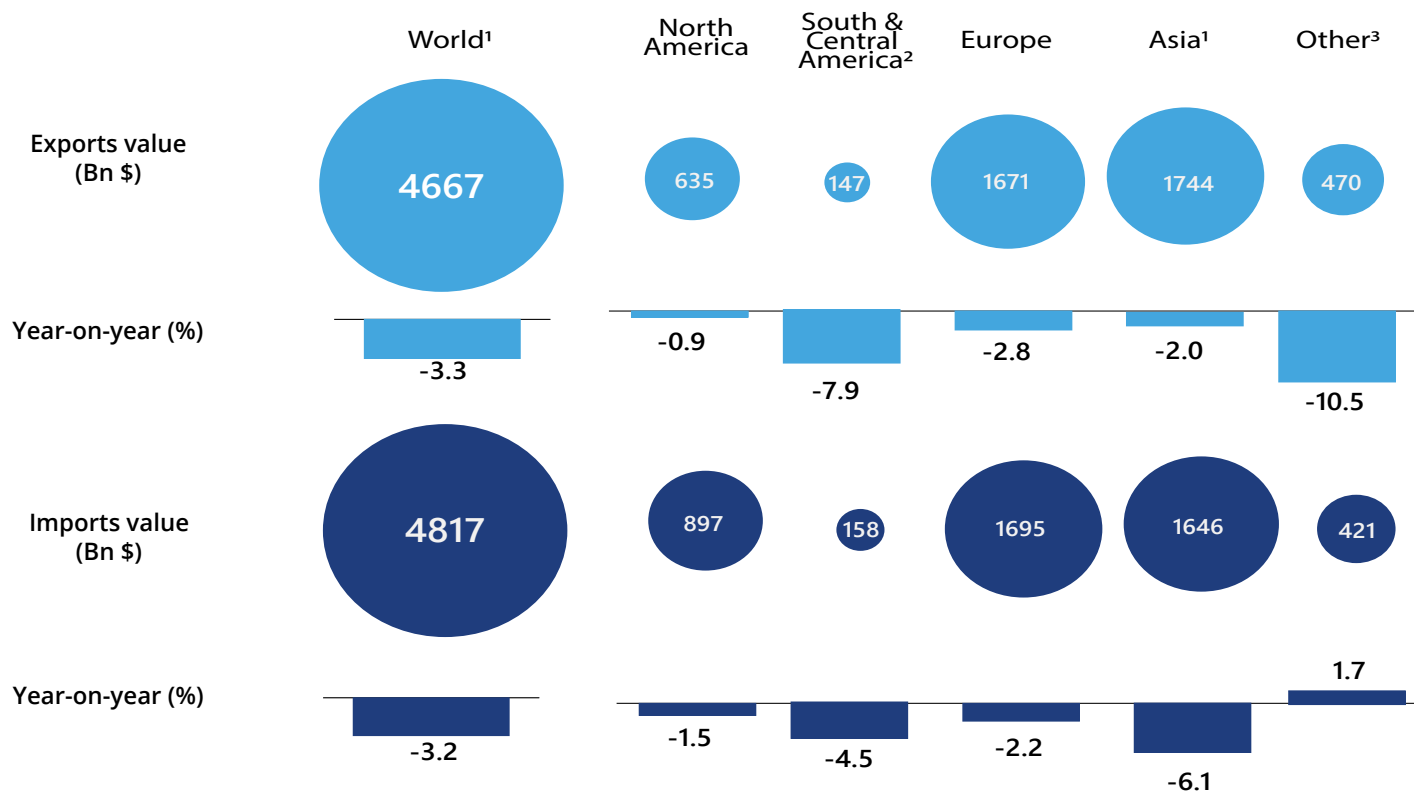
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Quarter-over-quarter growth, %



THIRD QUARTER 2019 MERCHANDISE TRADE

In value terms, world exports and imports decreased at about **3.3%** and **3.2%** in year-on-year terms. All regions saw their exports declined during 2019Q3. Imports decreased for all regions except for “Other” which reported a combined rise of **1.7%**.



1. Includes significant re-exports or imports for re-exports.

2. Includes the Caribbean

3. Comprise of Africa, Middle East and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)

Source: WTO

Data can be retrieved in [WTO Data](#) by selecting “Total merchandise exports - quarterly” and “Total merchandise imports - quarterly”

NOTES

Annualized short-term statistics may differ from the annual statistics disseminated through WTO’s online databases, publications or press releases. Data for the latest period are provisional.

1. The publication is updated with the same frequency as the data release.

Q1 Around the 20th of June

Q2 Around the 20th of September

Q3 Around the 20th of December

Q4 end-March / early April, along with the release of annual data.

2. For more information on the methodology, please refer to the [metadata](#).

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