Statistics specification: Import and export of return goods by CN categories

Title of statistics

Import and export of return goods by CN categories

Collector

Finnish Customs

Description

These statistics describe the return of goods imported in Finland i.e. their export back to the sending country, and the return of goods exported from Finland i.e. their import back in Finland.

Data content

Return goods are goods which have been returned to the seller in the same condition as when imported in / exported from the country. Return goods are not included in the trade statistics material but recorded to statistics separately.

These statistics specify the import/export value of goods by the CN categories.

Data collecting method

Statistical data on return goods are collected through the Intrastat system on the EU Member States and through customs declarations on countries not in the EU.

Applied classifications

The compilation of statistics on commodities is based on the Combined Nomenclature CN of the EU. Export statistics are compiled by the countries of destination according to the FOB ("free on board") value and import statistics by the countries of origin according to the CIF ("cost, insurance, and freight") value.

Updating frequency

Annually

Completion or publication date

These statistics are not published any more (since 2005). Data on years succeeding 2004 are accessible at special request only at the Statistics of the Finnish Customs.

Time series

Information on return goods exists since 1981. Information is available in an electronic form on CD-Rom from 2002 to 2004. Earlier data are available in print in the archives.

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