

GREECE
Elemental mercury imports and exports
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Comments:

Period	Exporting partner countries		Target country: Greece				Importing partner countries			
			Reported exports to target country		Reported imports from partner country (on left)		Reported exports to partner country (on right)		Reported imports from target country	
Year	Country name	Kg mercury	Value (\$US)	Kg mercury	Value (\$US)	Kg mercury	Value (\$US)	Kg mercury	Value (\$US)	Country name
1995	Areas, nes			6	461					
1995	Germany	699	4000	562	4782					
1995	Israel			20	1838					
1995	Italy			687	3906					
1995	Netherlands	500	4720	500	4743					
1995	Spain	4000	17325	988	11203					
1995	United Kingdom			50	1277					
1996	Austria	0	2833							
1996	Germany	398	12625	3187	29483					
1996	Israel			10	503					
1996	Netherlands	97	1641							
1996	Spain	2000	9608	292	14699					
1996	United Kingdom			9	1299					
1996	USA	234	3083							
1997	Germany	656	9227	5125	46160			36847	15550	Azerbaijan
1997	Netherlands	425	1538	207	1765					
1997	Spain			199	3295					
1998	Austria	97	1214					3437	16170	Pakistan
1998	Germany	3000	40000	3000	28060					
1998	Netherlands			500	4183					
1998	Spain	378	1938	378	2202					
1998	United Kingdom			50	1458					
1999	Austria	97	1083	50	1268					
1999	France			2000	8517					
1999	Germany	578	6531	687	4067					
1999	Netherlands	1250	9666	1375	11370					
1999	USA			9	543					
2000	Austria	0	937	50	1109			34	916	Albania
2000	France			4	572			0	3000	Romania
2000	Germany	199	16481	37	3636					
2000	Netherlands			20281	27941					

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2000	Russian Federation			343	1850					
2000	Spain	171	805	222	1614					
2001	Austria	97	884	50	1053					
2001	Germany	97	8057	125285	89196					
2001	Spain	207	915							
2002	Areas, nes			34	835					
2002	Austria			50	1169					
2002	Germany	199	8190							
2002	Netherlands	97	944							
2002	Spain	207	1095	207	1260					
2003	Areas, nes			14	452			8	7801	Romania
2003	Austria			50	1344					
2003	Italy			11000	11446					
2003	Spain	273	1784	136	1022					
2003	United Arab Emirates			191	8749					
2003	United Kingdom			218	3429					
2004	Areas, nes			14	450			2	1835	Romania
2004	Germany	199	13000							
2004	Spain	652	6698	171	1929					
2004	USA	347	4524							

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Explanation of table entries -

The purpose of the table above is to summarize all of the basic statistics for imports and exports of elemental mercury to and from the "target" country during 1995-2005. On the date of 11 April 2006, when these statistics were retrieved from the Comtrade database, the database was thought to be quite incomplete for the year 2005, mostly complete for the year 2004, and quite complete for previous years.

The six columns on the left side of this table present mercury flows from other countries into the target country. These six columns include four columns with details of the mercury import flows into the target country – two columns for reported mercury quantity, and two columns for reported mercury value. The rationale for presenting these four columns is quite simple. For a variety of reasons, the trade flow of mercury between the partner country (second column on the left) and the target country may have been recorded (and reported to Comtrade) by the partner country, by the target country, or by both countries. Regardless of which country or countries submitted trade statistics to the Comtrade database, and regardless of the details of the statistics submitted, all statistics concerning mercury flows into the target country are included in the left side of this table.

The five columns on the right side of this table list mercury flows from the target country into other countries. These five columns include four columns with details of the mercury export flows from the target country to each partner country (far right column) – two columns for reported mercury quantity, and two columns for reported mercury value. As described above, different countries may have submitted different sets of trade statistics to Comtrade. Regardless of which country or countries submitted trade statistics to the Comtrade database, and regardless of the details of the statistics submitted, all statistics concerning mercury flows leaving the target country are included in the right side of this table.

It is therefore possible that statistics submitted by some trade partners are not the same as those submitted by the target country. If the discrepancies are large, it could be useful for the reporting agencies of the partner country and the target country to compare their records in order to better understand the details of the mercury trade between their two countries. In the interest of improving its own understanding of global mercury trade and statistical challenges, UNEP Chemicals would be pleased to receive explanations of any such discrepancies investigated by the reporting agencies, as appropriate.