



Press release

FIRST HALF OF 2016: +1% FOR THE EXPORT OF THE AUTOMOTIVE COMPONENTS INDUSTRY, WITH A POSITIVE BALANCE OF TRADE (€3.1 BILLION)

Export towards EU countries accounting for 71.3%, with Germany as first country of destination, and Japan as leading nation in Asia

Turin, 4th October 2016 - In the first half of 2016, the export of the Motor Vehicle Components sector has reached €10.4 billion, growing by 1% on January-June 2015. In the same period, a higher increase has been recorded in imports (+3.9%), to attain €7.3 billion and this has brought a positive balance of trade (€3.1 billion), resulted, however, in decrease by 5.4% on the first six months of 2015.

The result of export derives from a first quarter practically aligned to January-March 2015 (export at -0.02% and import at +7.4%), followed by a second quarter improving (export at +1.9% and import at +0.6% on April-June 2015).

Exports of the Components sector represented 5% of the whole domestic export (4.8% in January-December 2015) - aligned, on its turn, in this half year, to the same period of 2015 - whereas imports represented around 4%; these shares could increase to 5.1% and 4.4%, respectively, excluding energy from the trade flow total.

On the contrary, the year 2015 had closed at 3.3% as for the Components sector export reaching a value of €19.9 billion, with a positive sign for the trade balance by €5.9 billion (-21.6%).

"In the first six months of 2016, face to the component sector's export increase, though quite contained, the production of this industry has showed a slight decline (-1.7%)¹ - in the same period - that can be attributed to a physiologic adjustment after the notable growth obtained in 2015 (+10.7%) - commented Giuseppe Barile, President of the ANFIA Components Group. After all, and according to those preliminary data issued by ANFIA, the domestic car production indicated a consolidation of the rhythms of growth recorded last year, with an increase by 8% in the first seven months of 2016 on the same period in 2015 that, actually, had been already in growth by 64% on January-July 2014. At the same time, the car market went on along its recovery path, both in Italy (+17.4% in the first eight months of 2016) and Europe (+7.8% in January-August 2016).

Both orders and turnover² of the Components industry have maintained, anyhow, a positive trend in the period January-Mai 2016, rising 6.2% and 6.7%, respectively.

¹ Source: Istat index - Updated on 5th August 2016 (data amended due to calendar effects)

² Source: Istat index - Updated on 5th August 2016. Raw data

After 2015, that had been in growth by 15.4%, and despite a 4.1% decline as for foreign orders, orders have accelerated on the domestic and foreign markets, in the first five months of 2016.

The turnover, after a growth by 13.4% in 2015, determined by both the internal and the foreign component part, keeping a positive trend on the two fronts, also in the first months of 2016.

The Components industry has been maintaining a key role in the domestic sector - added Giuseppe Barile. Actually, it is worldwide recognized for its capacity of constantly innovate and satisfy OEMs requirements at international level. Export data always confirm this technological know-how both in processes and products”.

Always speaking of the first half of 2016, the components export towards EU countries amounted to **€7.4 billion (+4.6%)** and it accounted for **71.3%** of the whole export of this sector (2015: 68.7%), with a trade surplus of **€2.1 billion (+4.6%** on the balance of the first half of 2015). Exports towards extra-EU countries totaled amounted to **around €3 billion (-7.1%)** and produced a positive balance of **€957 million (€1.2 billion in January-June 2015)**.

The export by country of destination continued to be led by Germany with more than **€2 billion (-0.6%)** and a share of **19.5%** on the total; here are the following countries: **France (share: 11.5%), Spain (8.4%), Poland (7%), UK (7%)** - these last three nations overtaking USA in comparison with last year - **USA (5.7%), Turkey (5.7%), Austria (2.4%)** - overtaking **Brazil (2.3%),** and finally **Hungary (2.3%)**.

Italian enterprises exported components towards the **NAFTA** area for a value of **€772 million, decreasing by 26%,** with a positive balance of **€330 million (€506 million in the first six months of 2015)**. The export value went down by **28.8%** towards USA, down by **2.6%** towards Canada and down by **18.9%** towards Mexico.

Italy exported components towards the **Mercosur** area for over **€277 million, decelerating by 25%** after the recovery of **10.8%** in 2015. The balance of the first six months 2016 was positive and amounting to around **€221 million**.

The first Asian market was **Japan** - third extra-EU after USA and Brazil - that, with its **€174 million exported, was in growth by 18%** on January-June 2015 with a positive balance by **€60 million,** and surpassed China (**€157 million exported, in acceleration by 5.3%,** with a negative balance of **€397 million**). To follow: **India (€81.3 million, -17.9%,** with a negative balance of **18.8 million)** and **South Korea (€76.5 million, -19.8%,** with a positive balance of **€4.8 million)**.

The classification of components by macro-classes indicates a total **mechanical parts** (including accessories and glasses) of **65.9%** of the export value, with **€6.8 billion (+1.8%** on the first half year in 2015) and a positive balance by **€2.8 billion (€2.9 billion in January-June 2015)**.



To follow: the sector of *engines* - for a value of €2 billion (-3.4%), weighing **19.2% on the total export** of the components industry, with a positive balance of €592 million - and the sector of *electric components and there-related products*, for a value of **8.9% of the export**, equal to €921 million, that presented, however, a negative balance, as well as *tires, tubes and plastic materials*, and finally *sound reproducing apparatuses*.

For the comprehensive import-export file of the components sector (first half of 2016), please click on ANFIA website at the following link:

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Born in March 1912, over these one hundred years, ANFIA mission has always been to represent the interests of its associate members and ensure effective communication between the Italian motor vehicle industries on the one hand, and the Public Administration and Italian political bodies on the other, with regard to all technical, economic, fiscal, legal, statistical and quality-related issues referred to the automotive sector.

The Association is structured in three product-based Groups, each one chaired by a President.

Components: motor vehicle parts and components manufacturers; Car Coachbuilders and Designers: companies working in the sector of design, engineering and style of motor vehicles and/or parts and components for the automotive sector; Motor vehicles: motor vehicles manufacturers in general, including trucks, trailers, camper vans, special means of transport and/or intended for special use, such as fitting and specific equipment mounted on motor vehicles.

Methodological note on ANFIA processing

ANFIA processes goods codes (by combine nomenclature 8C) extracted from the "Foreign Trade" data warehouse of ISTAT, including also some items relating to the automotive sector, and that are classified, according to tables ATECO 2007, as economic activities, not included in this specification, namely:

CL29 Motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers and in the sub-groups here under:

CL291 Motor vehicles

CL292 Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers

CL293 Parts and accessories for motor vehicles and their engine

ANFIA processing includes also the following:

- tires (ISTAT classification: CG22 Rubber items and plastic materials)
- air-conditioners for motor vehicles, fuel pumps, equipment for engine filters and intake filters (ISTAT: CK28 Machinery and Equipment NCA)
- accumulators, headlamps for motor cycles and motor vehicles (ISTAT: CJ27 Electric equipment and Non-electric equipment for domestic use)
- sound reproducing equipment, telescopic whipping antennas frusta (ISTAT: CI26 Computers and electronic & optical products; electro-medical equipment; apparatuses for measuring and watches)
- glasses, mirrors for motor vehicles (ISTAT: CG23 Other products for manufacturing non-metallic minerals)
- locks, gaskets and ironmongery for motor vehicles, injection pumps (ISTAT: CH25 Metal products, excluding machinery /equipment)
- axles and parts for trailers (ISTAT: CL292 Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semitrailers)
- engines (ISTAT: CL291 Motor vehicles).

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