

## TRADE GAP NARROWS IN JANUARY 2007

*U.S. international trade in goods and services*

The U.S. monthly goods and services deficit narrowed in January 2007, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau. The deficit decreased from \$61.5 billion (revised) in December to \$59.1 billion in January, as exports increased and imports decreased. The December deficit was slightly higher than its previously published value of \$61.2 billion.



### Exports

Exports of goods and services increased \$1.4 billion in January to \$126.7 billion, reflecting an increase in goods exports. Services exports decreased slightly.

- The increase in goods exports reflected increases in *capital goods* and *consumer goods*, which were partly offset by decreases in *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines* and *other goods*.
- The decrease in services exports reflected decreases in *transfers under U.S. military sales contracts* and *other transportation*, which were partly offset by an increase in *other private services*.

### Imports

Imports of goods and services decreased \$1.0 billion in January to \$185.8 billion, reflecting a decrease in goods imports. Services imports increased slightly.

- The decrease in goods imports mostly reflected decreases in *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines* and *consumer goods*, which were partly offset by an increase in *capital goods*.
- The increase in services imports was mostly accounted for by an increase in *other private services*. Several other services increased a small amount.

### Goods by geographic area (not seasonally adjusted)

- The goods deficit with China increased from \$19.0 billion in December to \$21.3 billion in January. Exports decreased \$0.8 billion to \$4.4 billion, while imports increased \$1.4 billion to \$25.6 billion.
- The goods deficit with Canada increased from \$5.6 billion in December to \$6.9 billion in January. Exports decreased \$0.5 billion to \$17.7 billion, while imports increased \$0.8 billion to \$24.6 billion.
- The goods deficit with Mexico decreased from \$5.0 billion in December to \$4.6 billion in January. Exports increased \$0.7 billion to \$10.7 billion, while imports increased \$0.2 billion to \$15.3 billion.

BEA data—including GDP, personal income, the balance of payments, foreign direct investment, the input-output accounts, and economic data for states, local areas, and industries—are available on the BEA Web site: [www.bea.gov](http://www.bea.gov). [E-mail alerts](#) are also available.

NOTE: This and more information is provided in the March 9 press release issued by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services: January 2007. The next release is April 13, 2007.