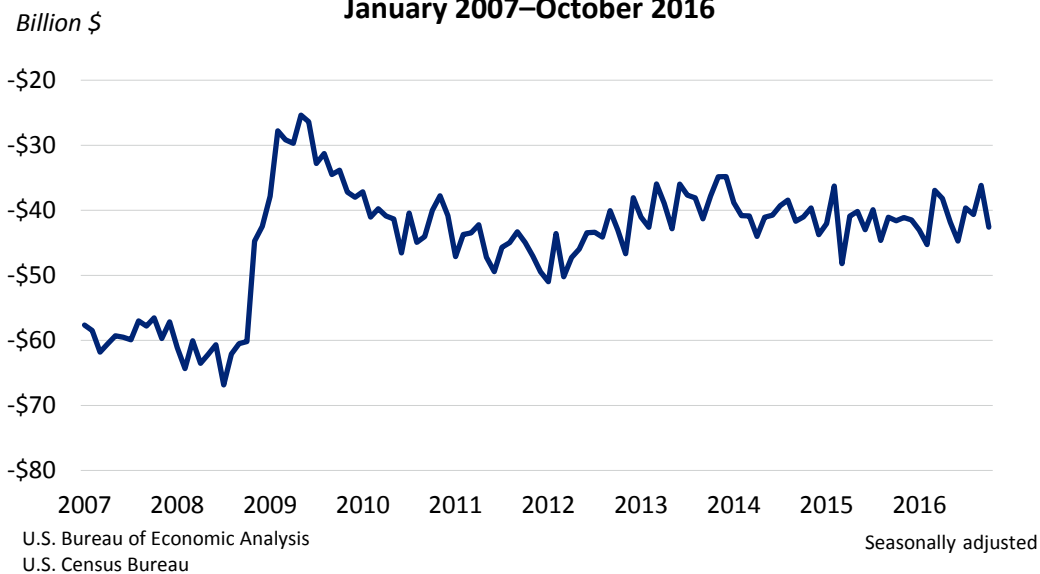


## October 2016 Trade Gap is \$42.6 Billion

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

The U.S. monthly international trade deficit increased in October 2016 according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau. The deficit increased from \$36.2 billion in September (revised) to \$42.6 billion in October, as exports decreased and imports increased. The previously published September deficit was \$36.4 billion. The goods deficit increased \$6.3 billion in October to \$63.4 billion. The services surplus decreased \$0.1 billion in October to \$20.8 billion.

**Balance on Goods and Services Trade**  
**January 2007–October 2016**



### Exports

Exports of goods and services decreased \$3.4 billion, or 1.8 percent, in October to \$186.4 billion. Exports of goods decreased \$3.5 billion and exports of services increased \$0.1 billion.

- The decrease in exports of goods reflected decreases in *foods, feeds, and beverages* (\$1.4 billion), in *industrial supplies and materials* (\$1.0 billion), and in *consumer goods* (\$0.9 billion).
- The increase in exports of services mostly reflected an increase in *transport* (\$0.1 billion), which includes freight and port services and passenger fares.

### Imports

Imports of goods and services increased \$3.0 billion, or 1.3 percent, in October to \$229.0 billion. Imports of goods increased \$2.8 billion and imports of services increased \$0.2 billion.

- The increase in imports of goods mostly reflected increases in *consumer goods* (\$2.4 billion) and in *capital goods* (\$1.1 billion). A decrease in *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines* (\$0.7 billion) partly offset the increases.
- The increase in imports of services reflected an increase in *transport* (\$0.2 billion).

For more detailed information on trade by type of good or service and with major trading partners, see [U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services: October 2016](#).