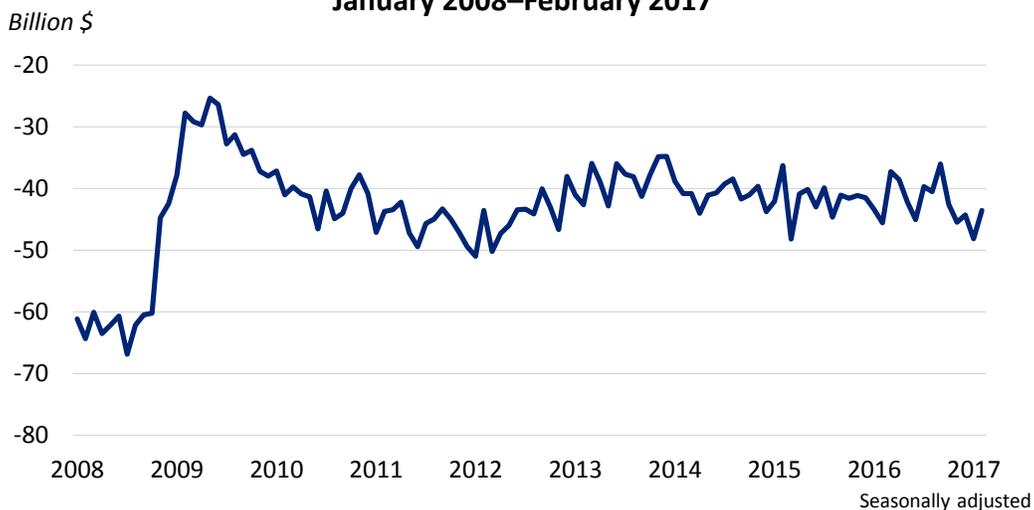


## February 2017 Trade Gap is \$43.6 Billion

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

The U.S. monthly international trade deficit decreased in February 2017 according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau. The deficit decreased from \$48.2 billion in January (revised) to \$43.6 billion in February, as exports increased and imports decreased. The previously published January deficit was \$48.5 billion. The goods deficit decreased \$4.6 billion in February to \$65.0 billion. The services surplus increased less than \$0.1 billion in February to \$21.4 billion.

**Balance on Goods and Services Trade  
January 2008–February 2017**



### Exports

Exports of goods and services increased \$0.4 billion, or 0.2 percent, in February to \$192.9 billion. Exports of goods increased \$0.4 billion and exports of services increased less than \$0.1 billion.

- The increase in exports of goods mostly reflected increases in *consumer goods* (\$0.7 billion), in *other goods* (\$0.5 billion), and in *industrial supplies and materials* (\$0.4 billion). Decreases in *foods, feeds, and beverages* (\$0.7 billion) and in *capital goods* (\$0.6 billion) were partly offsetting.
- The increase in exports of services reflected nearly offsetting changes of \$0.1 billion or less in all categories.

### Imports

Imports of goods and services decreased \$4.3 billion, or 1.8 percent, in February to \$236.4 billion.

Imports of goods decreased \$4.2 billion and imports of services decreased less than \$0.1 billion.

- The decrease in imports of goods mostly reflected decreases in *consumer goods* (\$3.1 billion) and in *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines* (\$2.6 billion). An increase in *industrial supplies and materials* (\$1.4 billion) was partly offsetting.
- The decrease in imports of services reflected nearly offsetting changes of \$0.1 billion or less in all categories.

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: February 2017](#).