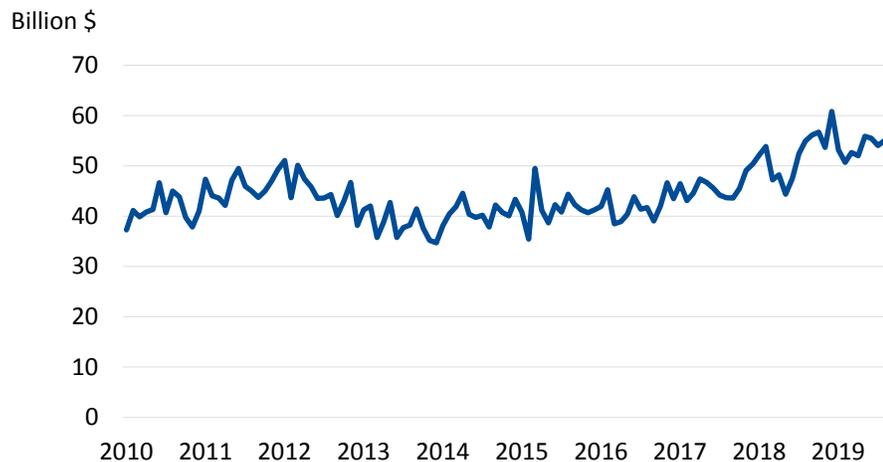


September 2019 Trade Gap is \$52.5 Billion

U.S. international trade in goods and services

The U.S. monthly international trade deficit decreased in September 2019 according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau. The deficit decreased from \$55.0 billion in August (revised) to \$52.5 billion in September, as imports decreased more than exports. The previously published August deficit was \$54.9 billion. The goods deficit decreased \$2.7 billion in September to \$71.7 billion. The services surplus decreased \$0.1 billion in September to \$19.3 billion.

Monthly Goods and Services Trade Deficit January 2010–September 2019



U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
 U.S. Census Bureau

Seasonally adjusted

Exports

Exports of goods and services decreased \$1.8 billion, or 0.9 percent, in September to \$206.0 billion. Exports of goods decreased \$1.8 billion and exports of services decreased \$0.1 billion.

- The decrease in exports of goods mostly reflected decreases in *foods, feeds, and beverages* (\$1.5 billion) and in *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines* (\$1.0 billion). An increase in *capital goods* (\$0.8 billion) partly offset the decreases.
- The decrease in exports of services mostly reflected a decrease in *travel* (\$0.1 billion).

Imports

Imports of goods and services decreased \$4.4 billion, or 1.7 percent, in September to \$258.4 billion. Imports of goods decreased \$4.5 billion and imports of services increased \$0.1 billion.

- The decrease in imports of goods mostly reflected decreases in *consumer goods* (\$2.5 billion), in *capital goods* (\$1.1 billion), and in *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines* (\$1.1 billion).
- The increase in imports of services reflected small (less than \$50 million) changes in all major service 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, September 2019](#).