**Intrastat** is the data collection system for compiling statistics on international trade in goods between the European Union (EU) Member States.


The Intrastat system can be characterised as follows:

- data are directly collected from intra-EU trade operators once a month;
- it is closely interlinked with the VAT system relating to intra-EU trade to ensure the completeness and quality of the statistical data; and
- a system of thresholds is established to simplify data provision and reduce the overall burden on traders, particularly small ones.

**Further information**


**Statistical data**

- International trade in goods