

BULGARIA

Was an annual report submitted by 31 May 2019?	Yes
Was the Annual Report made public?	Yes
Was a 'nil' report submitted for exports or imports in 2018?	No
Was data withheld for 'commercial sensitivity/national security-related' reasons?	Yes
What type of report was submitted?	ATT reporting template



Good practices:

Bulgaria provided clear, disaggregated data for every reported export and import in 2018.

Bulgaria provided descriptions and/or comments on all of its reported exports and imports of major conventional weapons.

In some cases, Bulgaria provided in its descriptions of reported imports and exports the number of items transferred per each described weapon-type.



Room for improvement:

Bulgaria excluded some data for 'commercial sensitivity/national security-related' reasons and did not specify where or how much information was withheld.

Bulgaria could provide comments on its exports and imports of SALW.

Transfer summary - 2018: Export Data

- Bulgaria reported exports to 35 countries in 2018. Of these, 16 were ATT States Parties, seven were Signatories, and 12 were non-members (Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, India, Iraq, Jordan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Uganda and Uzbekistan).
- Bulgaria reported the export of 43 major conventional weapons items, covering four categories. Of these, the majority were large-calibre artillery systems (53 per cent) and armoured combat vehicles (35 per cent).
- The main importers of major conventional weapons from Bulgaria were the United States (35 per cent), Saudi Arabia (28 per cent) and Poland (21 per cent).
- Bulgaria reported the export of 81,270 SALW items in 2018, covering ten sub-categories. Of these, the majority were assault rifles (71 per cent), hand-held under-barrel and mounted grenade launchers (16 per cent) and light machine guns (8 per cent).
- The main importers of SALW exports were India (49 per cent), Saudi Arabia (19 per cent) and the United States (13 per cent).

Reporting practice summary - 2018

Bulgaria's reporting remained the same in its 2018 annual report.

Bulgaria reported **Actual Numbers** of exports and imports of major conventional weapons and SALW.

Transfer summary - 2018: Import Data

- Bulgaria reported imports from 22 countries in 2018. Of these, 19 were ATT States Parties, two were Signatories, and one was a non-member (Belarus).
- Bulgaria reported the import of 114 major conventional weapons items: two armoured combat vehicles and 112 large-calibre artillery systems. Of the large-calibre artillery systems, 100 came from Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- Bulgaria reported imports of 8,235 SALW items in 2018, covering eight sub-categories. Of these, the majority were rifles and carbines (40 per cent), assault rifles (24 per cent) and revolvers and self-loading pistols (21 per cent).
- The main exporters of SALW to Bulgaria were Romania (26 per cent), Germany (12 per cent) and Austria (12 per cent).