

Monthly Review of  
**FOREIGN TRADE**  
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**SUMMARY**  
**May, 2015**

Exports  
Imports  
Balance of Trade

(Rupees in Million)  
(U.S. Dollars in Million)

Series	May, 2015		April, 2015		% Change	
	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	May; 2015	
					Apr; 2015	
					Rs.	\$
Exports	198,389.79	1,948.74	202,250.57	1,988.69	-1.91	-2.01
Imports	379,073.75	3,723.55	385,075.87	3,786.38	-1.56	-1.66
*Balance of Trade	-180,683.96	-1,774.81	-182,825.30	-1,797.69	-1.17	-1.27
Series	May, 2015		May, 2014		% Change	
	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	May; 2015	
					May; 2014	
					Rs.	\$
Exports	198,389.79	1,948.74	208,315.81	2,112.85	-4.76	-7.77
Imports	379,073.75	3,723.55	361,817.22	3,669.74	4.77	1.47
*Balance of Trade	-180,683.96	-1,774.81	-153,501.41	-1,556.89	17.71	14.00
Series	Jul - May; 2015		Jul - May; 2014		% Change	
	Rs.	\$	Rs.	\$	Jul - May; 2015	
					Jul - May; 2014	
					Rs.	\$
Exports	2,213,443.79	21,858.66	2,384,782.49	23,091.92	-7.18	-5.34
Imports	4,199,592.05	41,457.96	4,205,291.86	40,754.56	-0.14	1.73
*Balance of Trade	-1,986,148.26	-19,599.30	-1,820,509.37	-17,662.64	9.10	10.96

Note: \*Balance of Trade does not include Re-exports & Re-imports.

## **Review of Foreign Trade May, 2015**

### **EXPORTS**

The total Exports of Pakistan during May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 198,389.79 million as against Rs. 202,250.57 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 208,315.81 million during May, 2014 showing a decrease of 1.91% over April, 2015 and by 4.76% over May, 2014.

Exports during July–May, 2015 totalled Rs. 2,213,443.79 million as against Rs. 2,384,782.49 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 7.18%.

In terms of U.S dollars, the exports during May, 2015 amounted to \$ 1,948.74 million as against \$ 1,988.69 million in April, 2015 and \$ 2,112.85 million during May, 2014 showing a decrease of 2.01% over April, 2015 by 7.77% over May, 2014.

In terms of U.S. dollars, the exports during July–May, 2015 totalled \$ 21,858.66 million as against \$ 23,091.92 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 5.34%.

### **IMPORTS**

The total Imports of Pakistan during May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 379,073.75 million as against Rs. 385,075.87 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 361,817.22 million during May, 2014 showing a decrease of 1.56% over April, 2015 but increased by 4.77% over May, 2014.

Imports during July–May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 4,199,592.05 million as against Rs. 4,205,291.86 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 0.14%.

In terms of US dollars, the imports during May, 2015 amounted to \$ 3,723.55 million as against \$ 3,786.38 million in April, 2015 and \$ 3,669.74 million during May, 2014 showing a decrease of 1.17% over April, 2015 but increased by 1.47% over May, 2014.

In term of U.S. dollars, the imports during July–May, 2015 amounted \$ 41,457.96 million as against \$ 40,754.56 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 1.73%.

Based on the above figures of exports & imports the balance of trade in May, 2015 was unfavorable for Pakistan to the tune of 180,683.96 million in rupees equal to US \$ 1,774.81 million. The balance of trade during July–May, 2015 was unfavorable to the tune of 1,986,148.26 million rupees equal to U.S. \$ 19,599.30 million.

## **I - Exports by Group/Commodities**

Exports from Pakistan during May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 198,389.79 million as against the exports of Rs. 202,250.57 million in previous month and Rs. 208,315.81 million during the corresponding month of last year showing a decrease of 1.91% over previous month and by 4.76% over the corresponding month of last year.

Exports during July–May, 2015 totaled Rs. 2,213,443.79 million as against Rs. 2,384,782.49 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 7.18%.

Comparative figure of exports by group/commodities during May, 2015 compared to April, 2015 and May, 2014 are given in table-1 and cumulative exports for the period July–May, 2015 of current financial year compared to the corresponding period of last year are given in table-2.

### **Primary Commodities**

During May, 2015 the 6 selected primary commodities contributed 12.09% of total exports in which the share of rice, fruits, vegetables & preparations thereof, fish & fish preparations, raw cotton and tobacco (unmanufactured) were 7.82%, 2.14%, 1.94%, 0.08% and 0.05% respectively.

During July–May, 2015 these 6 commodities contributed 13.97% of the total exports showing a decrease of 0.40% as against their combined share of 14.02% during the corresponding period of last year.

### **Textile Manufactures**

During May, 2015 the 9 selected commodities of Textile Manufactures contributed 55.29% of total exports in which the share of knitwear, cotton

fabrics, articles of apparel & clothing (excl. knitwear), bed-wear and cotton yarn were 11.29%, 9.77%, 9.55%, 9.07% and 7.06% respectively.

During July–May, 2015 these 9 commodities contributed 53.91% of the total exports showing an increase of 4.34% as against their combined share of 51.67% during the corresponding period of last year.

### **Other Manufactures**

During May, 2015 the 7 selected commodities of Other Manufactures contributed 8.85% of total exports in which the share of leather clothes & accessories, leather, sport goods (excl. toys), surgical instruments, footwear, and carpet, carpeting, rugs & mats were 2.34%, 2.26%, 1.58, 1.56%, 0.61% and 0.48% respectively.

During July-May, 2015 these 7 commodities contributed 9.87% of the total exports showing a decrease of 11.05% as against their combined share of 11.10% during the corresponding period of last year.

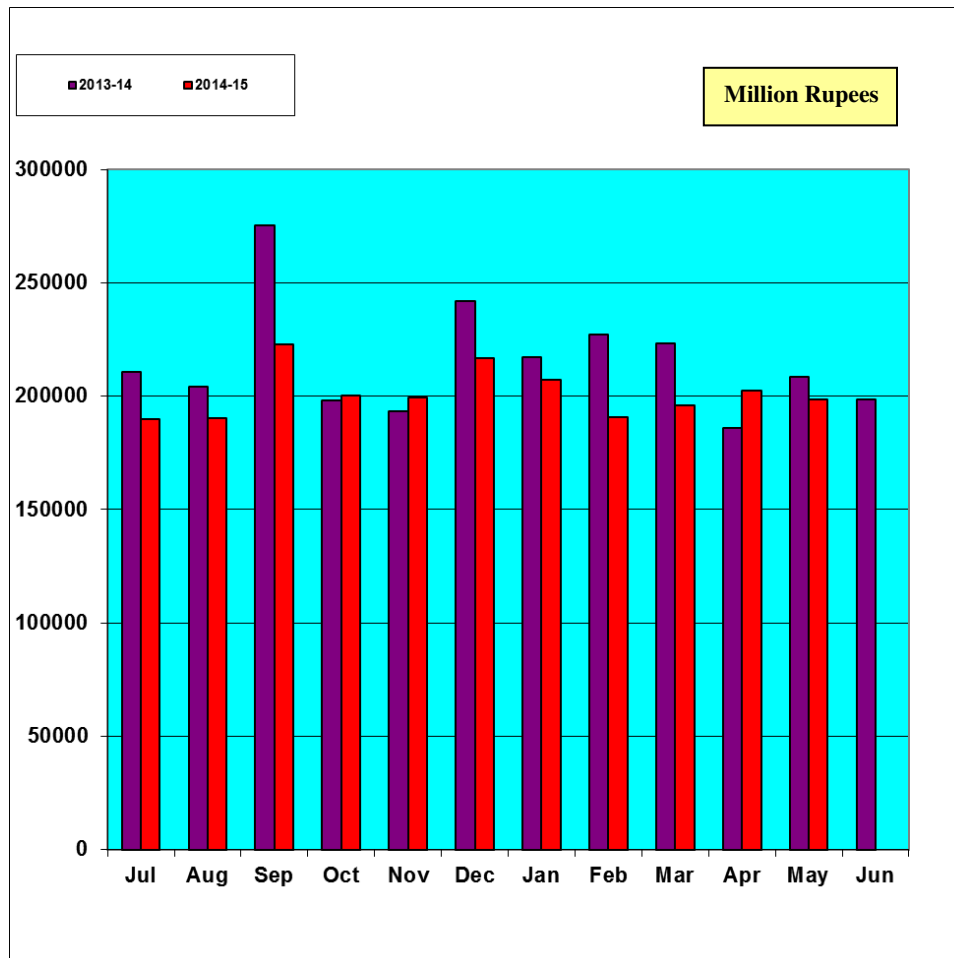
**Table - 1**  
**Monthly Exports by Major Commodities**

(Million Rs.)

Commodities	May; 2015	Apr; 2015	May; 2014	% Change	
				May; 2015	May; 2015
				Apr; 2015	May; 2014
<b>Total</b>	<b>198,389.79</b>	<b>202,250.57</b>	<b>208,315.81</b>	<b>-1.91</b>	<b>-4.76</b>
<b>A. Primary Commodities</b>	<b>23,987.90</b>	<b>28,317.09</b>	<b>24,720.57</b>	<b>-15.29</b>	<b>-2.96</b>
1 Rice	15,516.68	18,308.24	16,072.90	-15.25	-3.46
2 Fruits,vegetables & preparation thereof	4,254.42	6,194.51	3,569.16	-31.32	19.20
3 Fish & fish preparation	3,852.09	3,395.87	4,180.24	13.43	-7.85
4 Raw cotton (excl. linters)	159.37	270.70	752.22	-41.13	-78.81
5 Tobacco un-manufactured	108.93	113.10	100.14	-3.69	8.78
6 Raw wool	96.41	34.67	45.91	178.08	110.00
<b>B. Textile Manufactures</b>	<b>109,680.69</b>	<b>104,294.98</b>	<b>111,819.30</b>	<b>5.16</b>	<b>-1.91</b>
1 Knitwear	22,392.52	18,712.19	24,682.82	19.67	-9.28
2 Cotton fabrics	19,388.79	21,406.29	22,338.09	-9.42	-13.20
3 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories (excl. knitwear)	18,946.76	17,344.96	14,405.44	9.23	31.53
4 Bedwear	17,992.46	18,299.98	18,870.43	-1.68	-4.65
5 Cotton yarn	14,014.22	12,890.33	14,423.78	8.72	-2.84
6 Towels	7,529.38	7,390.78	7,200.65	1.88	4.57
7 Textile made up (excl. towels & bed wear)	6,217.77	5,121.11	6,121.25	21.41	1.58
8 Synthetic textile fabrics	2,632.04	2,442.13	3,180.39	7.78	-17.24
9 Tarpaulin & other canvas goods	566.75	687.21	596.45	-17.53	-4.98
<b>C. Other Manufactures</b>	<b>17,563.39</b>	<b>18,039.11</b>	<b>22,241.14</b>	<b>-2.64</b>	<b>-21.03</b>
1 Leather clothes & accessories	4,649.06	4,375.16	5,190.33	6.26	-10.43
2 Leather	4,474.75	4,200.65	5,943.39	6.53	-24.71
3 Sports goods (excl. toys)	3,142.91	3,809.54	3,781.14	-17.50	-16.88
4 Surgical instruments	3,089.40	3,060.13	2,496.29	0.96	23.76
5 Footwear	1,202.13	1,011.98	1,120.44	18.79	7.29
6 Carpets, carpeting, rugs & mats	952.06	985.73	1,095.93	-3.42	-13.13
7 Petroleum products	53.08	595.92	2,613.62	-91.09	-97.97
<b>Others</b>	<b>47,157.81</b>	<b>51,599.39</b>	<b>49,534.80</b>	<b>-8.61</b>	<b>-4.80</b>



## MONTHLY EXPORT FROM PAKISTAN



**Table - 2**  
**Cumulative Exports by Major Commodities**

(Million Rs.)

Commodities	Jul - May; 2015	Jul - May; 2014	% Change
			Jul - May; 2015
			Jul - May; 2014
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,213,443.79</b>	<b>2,384,782.49</b>	<b>-7.18</b>
<b>A. Primary Commodities</b>	<b>309,178.39</b>	<b>334,454.74</b>	<b>-7.56</b>
1 Rice	192,722.08	208,159.73	-7.42
2 Fruits, vegetables and preparations thereof	67,223.43	67,721.49	-0.74
3 Fish & fish preparation	32,935.05	34,670.55	-5.01
4 Raw Cotton (excl. linters)	14,851.21	21,216.80	-30.00
5 Tobacco unmanufactured	1,090.70	1,923.73	-43.30
6 Raw wool	355.92	762.44	-53.32
<b>B. Textile Manufactures</b>	<b>1,193,167.06</b>	<b>1,232,113.64</b>	<b>-3.16</b>
1 Cotton fabrics	230,519.81	265,667.30	-13.23
2 Knitwear	221,811.28	215,468.95	2.94
3 Bed-wear	195,105.40	202,334.20	-3.57
4 Articles of apparel & clothing & accessories	192,476.74	177,947.98	8.16
5 Cotton yarn	175,069.59	192,341.55	-8.98
6 Towels	74,665.77	72,533.41	2.94
7 Textile made up (excl. towels & bedwear)	60,729.43	62,293.65	-2.51
8 Synthetic textile fabrics	30,935.93	36,100.58	-14.31
9 Tarpaulin & other canvas goods	11,853.11	7,426.02	59.62
<b>C. Other Manufactures</b>	<b>218,574.12</b>	<b>264,757.90</b>	<b>-17.44</b>
1 Leather clothes & accessories	55,629.08	59,244.28	-6.10
2 Leather	45,802.51	51,394.16	-10.88
3 Petroleum Products	30,467.12	65,088.52	-53.19
4 Surgical instruments	31,901.64	32,017.74	-0.36
5 Sports goods (excl. toys)	31,247.14	33,764.02	-7.45
6 Footwear	12,191.02	11,067.78	10.15
7 Carpets, carpeting rugs & mats	11,335.61	12,181.40	-6.94
<b>Others</b>	<b>492,524.22</b>	<b>553,456.21</b>	<b>-11.01</b>

## II – Analysis of Selected Commodities of Export

### *Cotton Fabrics*

Cotton fabrics maintained its came down to second position on the exports list in its group for May, 2015 from first in the previous month. During this month its exports amounted to Rs. 19,388.79 million as against Rs. 21,406.29 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 22,338.09 million during May, 2014 showing a decrease of 9.42% over April, 2015 and by 13.20% over May, 2014.

During July–May, 2015 of current financial year 1,919,974 thousand sq. meters of cotton fabrics valued at Rs. 230,519.81 million were exported as against 2,349,093 thousand sq. meters valued at Rs. 265,667.30 million during the same period of last year showing a decrease of 18.27% in terms of quantity and in terms of value was lower by 13.23%. The average unit price of cotton fabrics increased to Rs. 120.06 per sq. meter from Rs. 113.09 per sq. meter during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 6.16%. Main buyers of cotton fabrics during July–May, 2015 of current financial year were Bangladesh (Rs. 42,013.35 million), China (Rs. 23,461.98 million), Italy (Rs. 14,532.04 million), Germany (Rs. 10,185.37 million), Turkey (Rs. 9,560.91 million), U.S.A. (Rs. 8,962.12 million), Sri Lanka (Rs. 8,287.34 million), Spain (Rs. 7,882.97 million), Egypt (Rs. 7,156.58 million) and United Kingdom (Rs. 6,580.33 million). Their total take-off accounted for 60.13% of total exports of cotton fabrics as compared to their combined share of 59.12% during the same period of last year.

Variety-wise exports of cotton fabrics during July–May, 2015 of current financial year and the corresponding period of last year are given below.

(Quantity in '000' Sq. M.)  
(Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	July - May, 2015		July - May, 2014	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>TOTAL: (COTTON FABRICS)</b>	<b>1,919,974</b>	<b>230,519.81</b>	<b>2,349,093</b>	<b>265,667.30</b>
COTTON FABRICS GREY (UNBLEACHED)	841,127	90,727.25	1,055,624	107,487.85
COTTON PRINTS	154,856	20,092.93	218,750	28,102.23
COTTON SHEETINGS (BLEACHED)	113,669	13,044.93	129,142	13,708.62
CANVAS CLOTH WATER PROOF (DYED)	355,189	42,410.63	411,792	47,439.96
DENIME	329,475	49,018.87	356,731	51,123.57
OTHER COTTON FABRICS	125,657	15,225.20	177,055	17,805.07

## ***Cotton Yarn***

Cotton yarn maintained its fifth position on the exports list in its group for May, 2015 as in the previous month. Its exports in this month amounted to Rs. 14,014.22 million as against Rs. 12,890.33 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 14,423.78 million in May, 2014 showing an increase of 8.72% over April, 2015 but decreased by 2.84% over May, 2014.

During July–May, 2015 exports of cotton yarn amounted to Rs. 175,069.59 million as against Rs. 192,341.55 million in the corresponding period of last year depicting a fall of 8.98%. In terms of quantity 602,352 thousand Kg. of cotton yarn was exported during the July–May, 2015 of current financial year as against 618,139 thousand Kg. exported during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 2.55%. The average unit price of cotton yarn for period July–May, 2015 of current financial year was Rs. 290.64 per Kg. as against Rs. 311.16 per Kg. in the same period of last year showing a decrease of 6.59%.

China (Rs. 121,540.46 million), Hong Kong (Rs. 10,369.78 million), Bangladesh (Rs. 10,264.28 million), Korea Rep. of (Rs. 4,360.92 million), Turkey (Rs. 4,249.18 million), Portugal (Rs. 3,107.15 million), Japan (Rs. 2,805.74 million), Viet Nam (Rs. 1,819.47 million), Egypt (1,689.18 million), U.S.A. (Rs. 1,562.68 million) and Italy (Rs. 1,406.89 million) and were major buyers of cotton yarn during this period. Their combined share accounted for 93.21% of total exports of cotton yarn as compared to their combined share of 93.09% during the same period of last year.

Variety-wise exports of cotton yarn in terms of quantity and value during July, 2014-May, 2015 of the current financial year and corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Quantity in '000' Kg.)

(Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	July - May, 2015		July - May, 2014	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>602,352</b>	<b>175,069.59</b>	<b>618,139</b>	<b>192,341.55</b>
COTTON YARN SINGLE COMB/UNCOMB	519,803	149,854.47	510,187	156,873.35
COTTON YARN MULTIPLE COMB/UNCOMB	82,426	25,181.28	107,802	35,420.17
OTHER COTTON YARN	123	33.84	149	48.03

## *Rice*

Rice maintained its first position on the exports list in its group during May, 2015 as in the previous month. In this month it fetched Rs. 15,516.68 million as against Rs. 18,308.24 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 16,072.90 million in May, 2014 showing a decrease of 15.25% over April, 2015 and by 3.46% over May, 2014.

During July–May, 2015 its exports amounted to Rs. 192,722.08 million as against the exports of Rs. 208,159.73 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 7.42%. Kenya was the leading buyer of rice during July–May, 2015 with its share of 11.66% in the total exports of this item. Other major buyers were United Arab Emirates (7.46%), Oman (6.76%), China (5.53%), Afghanistan (5.04%), Saudi Arabia (4.99%), and Malaysia (4.62%). These seven countries accounted for 46.06% of total exports of rice during this period.

Exports of rice to major countries during July–May, 2015 and the corresponding period of last year are given below.

(Quantity in tonnes.)  
(Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	July - May, 2015		July - May, 2014	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>3,605,951</b>	<b>192,722.09</b>	<b>3,492,213</b>	<b>208,159.74</b>
Kenya	506,906	22,474.52	473,566	21,188.76
United Arab Emirates	156,014	14,368.89	197,176	20,318.23
Oman	139,132	13,020.49	94,531	9,633.99
China	266,566	10,652.03	358,072	13,995.71
Afghanistan	250,229	9,719.47	190,951	12,798.28
Saudi Arabia	118,191	9,623.27	155,392	12,312.07
Malaysia	159,703	8,909.83	114,590	6,710.78
<b>O T H E R</b>	<b>2,009,210</b>	<b>103,953.59</b>	<b>1,907,935</b>	<b>111,201.92</b>

Unit price of rice basmati for May, 2015 was Rs. 120,700.13 per tonne as against Rs. 120,082.93 per tonne in May, 2014 showing a rise of 0.51%. Average unit price of this variety for July–May, 2015 of current financial year was Rs. 117,269.39 per tonne as against Rs. 117,705.26 per tonne for the same period of last year showing a fall of 0.37%.

Unit price of rice "Other Varieties" decreased to Rs. 42,420.38 per tonne in May, 2015 from Rs. 44,792.83 in May, 2014 showing a fall of 5.30%. The average unit price of rice "Other Varieties" for July–May, 2015 at Rs. 43,761.60 per tonne was lower by 7.58% compared to average unit price of Rs. 47,221.32 per tonne for the same period of last year.

Variety-wise exports of rice in terms of quantity and value are given below:-

(Quantity in tonnes.)  
(Value in million Rs.)

Variety/ period	Quantity	Value	Unit value
			(Rs. Per tonne)
<b>RICE BASMATI</b>			
MAY, 2015	30,494	3,680.63	120,700.13
MAY, 2014	72,573	8,714.78	120,082.93
JULY - MAY, 2015	480,153	56,307.25	117,269.39
JULY - MAY, 2014	613,655	72,230.42	117,705.26
<b>RICE OTHER VARIETIES</b>			
MAY, 2015	279,018	11,836.05	42,420.38
MAY, 2014	164,270	7,358.12	44,792.83
JULY - MAY, 2015	3,125,798	136,414.83	43,641.60
JULY - MAY, 2014	2,878,558	135,929.31	47,221.32

## *Leather*

Leather maintained its second position on the exports list in its group for May, 2015 as in the previous month. Its exports in this month amounted to Rs. 4,474.75 million as against Rs. 4,200.65 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 5,943.39 million in May, 2014 showing an increase of 6.53% over April, 2015 but decreased by 24.71% over May, 2014.

Exports of this item during July–May, 2015 totalled Rs. 45,802.51 million as against Rs. 51,394.16 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a fall of 10.88%. In terms of quantity 20,453,483 sq. meter of leather was exported during July–May, 2015 as against 26,502,267 sq. meters exported during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 22.82%.

The main buyers of leather during July–May, 2015 were Hong Kong (Rs. 10,117.39 million), Italy (Rs. 5,908.64 million), China (Rs. 5,286.84 million), India (Rs. 3,374.03 million), Viet Nam (Rs. 2,948.71 million), Korea Republic of (2,661.73), Germany (Rs. 2,203.45 million), South Africa (Rs. 1,654.35 million), Bangladesh (Rs. 1,627.25 million) and Spain (1,545.37 million) whose combined share in total exports of leather was 81.50% as against their compared share of 80.23% during the same period of last year.

Quantity and value of exports of leather during July–May, 2015 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Quantity in sq. meter.)  
(Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	July - May, 2015		July - May, 2014	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20,453,483</b>	<b>45,802.51</b>	<b>26,502,267</b>	<b>51,394.16</b>
TANED/CURST HIDE/SKIN BOVINE ANI	682,071	1,149.93	566,742	935.90
TANED/CURST DRESSED BOVINE ANI.	10,652,917	22,170.95	12,278,949	23,126.97
TANED/CURST HIDE/SKIN SHEEP/LAMB	89,519	160.58	75,966	138.12
TANED/CURST DRESSED SHEEP/LAMBS	1,568,324	3,719.16	2,319,119	4,689.91
TANED/CURST HIDE/SKIN GOAT/KIDS	58,291	112.76	56,541	99.25
TANED/CURST DRESSED OF GOAT/KIDS	4,648,367	12,070.26	7,350,461	14,429.67
LEATHER N.S.	2,753,994	6,418.87	3,854,489	7,974.35

### *Carpets, Carpeting Rugs & Mats*

Carpets, carpeting rugs and mats maintained its sixth position on exports list in its group for May, 2015 as in the previous month. Its exports in May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 952.06 million as against Rs. 985.73 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 1,095.93 million in May, 2014 showing a decrease of 3.42% over April, 2015 and by 13.13% over May, 2014.

Exports of this item for the July–May, 2015 of current financial year amounted to Rs. 11,335.61 million as against Rs. 12,181.40 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 6.94%.

In terms of quantity 2,286,385 sq. meters of carpets, carpeting rugs and mats were exported during July–May, 2015 of current financial year as against 3,052,890 sq. meters exported during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 25.11%.

The average unit price of carpets of woolen hand knotted was Rs. 5,599.01 per sq. meter during July–May, 2015 as against Rs. 4,595.73 per sq. meter in the corresponding period of last year showing a rise of 21.83%. U. S. A. (Rs. 5,509.91 million), Germany (Rs. 783.64 million), Turkey (Rs.694.28 million), Iraq (513.14 million), Japan (Rs. 434.75 million), United Kingdom (Rs. 380.83 million), Italy (Rs. 344.01 million), France (Rs. 299.02 million) and Sweden (Rs. 254.52 million), were the main buyers of carpets, carpeting rugs and mats during July–May, 2015. They together accounted for 80.89% during July–May, 2015 as compared to their share of 79.66% during the same period of last year.

Quantity and value of exports of carpets, carpeting rugs and mats during July–May, 2015 and corresponding period of last year are given below.

(Quantity in sq. meter)  
(Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	July - May, 2015		July - May, 2014	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,286,385</b>	<b>11,335.61</b>	<b>3,052,890</b>	<b>12,181.40</b>
CARPETS OF WOOL HAND KNOTTED	1,800,985	10,083.74	2,472,524	11,363.06
OTHER CARPETS,CARPETING	485,400	1,251.87	580,366	818.34



## ***Raw Cotton***

Raw Cotton maintained its fourth position on the exports list in its group for May, 2015 the same position in the previous month. Its exports in this month amounted to Rs. 159.37 million as against Rs. 270.70 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 752.22 million in May, 2014 showing a decrease of 41.13% over April, 2015 and by 78.81% over May, 2014.

Exports of this item during July–May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 14,851.21 million as against Rs. 21,216.80 million showing a decrease of 30.00% compared to the same period of last year. In terms of quantity 93,384 tonnes of raw cotton was exported during July–May, 2015 as against 113,952 tonnes exported in the same period of last year showing a decrease of 18.05%.

The main buyers of raw cotton during July–May, 2015 were Indonesia (Rs. 4,368.79 million), India (Rs. 3,736.55 million), Bangladesh (Rs. 3,470.38 million), Viet Nam (Rs. 1,554.75 million), Thailand (Rs. 924.66 million), Djibouti (96.59 million) and Philippines (23.81 million). They together account for 95.45% of total exports of raw cotton during July–May, 2015 as against their combined share of 75.22% in the corresponding period of last year.

Quantity and value data of exports of raw cotton during July–May, 2015 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Quantity in `Tonnes`.)  
(Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	July - May, 2015		July - May, 2014	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>93,384</b>	<b>14,851.21</b>	<b>113,952</b>	<b>21,216.80</b>
COTTON AMERICAN	967	159.37	7,560	1,381.65
COTTON EGYPTIAN	--	--	5,293	927.58
OTHER	92,417	14,691.84	101,099	18,907.56

(-) Indicate nil.

### ***Petroleum Products***

Petroleum products maintained its seventh position on the exports list in its group during May, 2015 as in the previous month. In this month its exports amounted to Rs. 53.08 million as against Rs. 595.92 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 2,613.62 million in May, 2014 showing a decrease of 91.09% over April, 2015 and by 97.97% over May, 2014.

Exports of this item for July–May, 2015 of current financial year stood at Rs. 30,467.12 million as against exports of Rs. 65,088.52 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 53.19%.

In terms of quantity 332,224 tons of petroleum products were exported during July–May, 2015 of current financial year as against 733,698 tones exported during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 54.72%.

The main buyers of petroleum products during July–May, 2015 were United Arab Emirates (Rs. 13,302.49 million), Afghanistan (Rs. 6,559.17 million), Korea Republic of (Rs. 1,818.18 million), and China (1,018.79 million). These four countries accounted for 74.50% of total exports of petroleum products during July–May, 2015 as against 77.93% exports during the same period of last year.

Quantity and value of exports of petroleum products during July–May, 2015 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Quantity in tonnes)  
(Value in million Rs.)

Commodity	July - May, 2015		July - May, 2014	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>332,224</b>	<b>30,467.12</b>	<b>733,698</b>	<b>65,088.52</b>
PETROLEUM TOP-NEPHTHA	259,150	23,868.59	649,389	56,393.66
OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	73,074	6,598.53	84,309	8,694.86

### **III - Direction of Exports**

Exports by Territories/Regions and Major countries during May, 2015 compared with May, 2014 are given in table 3 & 4 and cumulative Exports by Territories/Regions and Major countries for the July–May, 2015 of the current financial year compared with the same period of last year are given in table 5 & 6 respectively.

During the month of May, 2015 (28.99%) of total exports went to European Union. The share of North America during May, 2015 was 18.48% as against 16.52% in May, 2014. The share of Middle East during May, 2015 was 9.76% as against 13.12% in May, 2014. Country-wise, U.S.A. was at the top of the exports list for May, 2015 followed by Afghanistan, China, United Kingdom, Germany and United Arab Emirates. The share of these six countries in total exports of May, 2015 was 52.16% as against their share of 49.26% in May, 2014.

During July–May, 2015 the share of European Union in total exports was 28.42%. The share of North America increased to 16.44% from 15.68% during the same period of last year. The share of Middle East decreased to 11.55% from 15.09% during the same period of last year.

Country-wise, U.S.A. was at the top of the exports list for July–May, 2015 followed by China, Afghanistan, United Kingdom, Germany, and United Arab Emirates. The share of these six countries in total exports for July–May, 2015 of the current financial year was 48.90% as against 49.84% in the same period of last year.

**Table - 3****Monthly Exports by Territories/Regions**

(Million Rs.)

Territories/Regions	May, 2015		May, 2014	
	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
<b><i>T O T A L</i></b>	<b><i>198,389.79</i></b>	<b><i>100.00</i></b>	<b><i>208,315.81</i></b>	<b><i>100.00</i></b>
1 Latin & Central America	1,934.30	0.97	1,454.03	0.70
2 South America	2,495.80	1.26	2,722.74	1.31
3 North America	36,663.53	18.48	34,423.33	16.52
4 Eastern Europe	1,079.73	0.54	1,563.89	0.75
5 European Union	57,513.02	28.99	66,120.12	31.74
6 E.F.T.A	498.46	0.25	546.98	0.26
7 Other Europe	145.24	0.07	156.34	0.08
8 Middle East	19,371.86	9.76	27,321.51	13.12
Asian Countries	17,443.22	8.79	24,327.73	11.68
African Countries	1,928.64	0.97	2,993.78	1.44
9 Other Asia	66,344.60	33.44	63,052.51	30.27
10 Other Africa	10,765.67	5.43	9,476.26	4.55
11 Oceania	1,577.58	0.80	1,478.11	0.71

**Table - 4**  
**Monthly Export to Major Countries**

(Million Rs.)

Countries		May, 2015		May, 2014	
		Value	% Share	Value	% Share
<b>Total</b>		<b>198,389.79</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>208,315.81</b>	<b>100.00</b>
1	U.S.America	34,680.83	17.48	32,937.65	15.81
2	Afghanistan	20,311.69	10.24	18,053.16	8.67
3	China	17,980.79	9.06	16,651.93	7.99
4	United Kingdom	13,781.56	6.95	15,170.33	7.28
5	Germany	9,865.78	4.97	11,074.51	5.32
6	United Arab Emirates	6,858.87	3.46	8,734.17	4.19
7	Spain	6,635.33	3.34	7,500.89	3.60
8	Belgium	6,304.04	3.18	6,679.26	3.21
9	Bangladesh	5,971.63	3.01	5,719.10	2.75
10	Netherlands	5,509.83	2.78	5,237.04	2.51
11	Italy	4,760.74	2.40	7,559.84	3.63
12	Saudi Arabia	3,612.63	1.82	4,646.41	2.23
13	France	3,372.03	1.70	4,420.19	2.12
14	Kenya	3,189.21	1.61	2,379.40	1.14
15	Singapore	2,521.29	1.27	801.86	0.38
16	Korea, Republic of	2,482.94	1.25	3,911.28	1.88
17	Hong Kong S.A.Re.Chi	2,464.52	1.24	3,072.61	1.47
18	Viet Nam	2,408.39	1.21	2,141.79	1.03
19	India	2,246.33	1.13	2,945.09	1.41
20	Canada	1,981.76	1.00	1,484.95	0.71
<b>Others</b>		<b>41,449.60</b>	<b>20.89</b>	<b>47,194.36</b>	<b>22.66</b>

**Table - 5**  
**Cumulative Export by Territories/Regions**

(Million Rs.)

Territories/Regions	Jul - May; 2015		Jul - May; 2014	
	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>2,213,443.79</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>2,384,782.49</i>	<i>100.00</i>
1 Latin & Central America	16,949.63	0.77	17,666.60	0.74
2 South America	28,232.76	1.28	33,136.06	1.39
3 North America	363,942.14	16.44	373,949.68	15.68
4 Eastern Europe	27,025.58	1.22	29,212.88	1.22
5 European Union	628,979.85	28.42	637,782.23	26.74
6 E.F.T.A	5,911.36	0.27	6,260.12	0.26
7 Other Europe	1681.21	0.08	1495.99	0.06
8 Middle East	255,739.71	11.55	359,763.99	15.09
Asian Countries	231,006.80	10.44	330,859.84	13.87
African Countries	24,732.91	1.12	28,904.15	1.21
9 Other Asia	722,645.31	32.65	751,886.11	31.53
10 Other Africa	143,002.00	6.46	145,119.42	6.09
11 Oceania	19,334.24	0.87	28,509.42	1.20

**Table - 6**  
**Cumulative Export to Major Countries**

(Million Rs.)

Countries		Jul - May; 2015		Jul - May; 2014	
		Value	% Share	Value	% Share
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,213,443.79</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>2,384,782.49</b>	<b>100.00</b>
1	U.S.America	342,899.65	15.49	351,639.61	14.75
2	China	205,163.20	9.27	233,871.42	9.81
3	Afghanistan	183,188.05	8.28	175,183.82	7.35
4	United Kingdom	147,542.96	6.67	148,930.39	6.25
5	Germany	109,206.91	4.93	107,749.11	4.52
6	United Arab Emirates	94,368.28	4.26	171,121.76	7.18
7	Spain	74,607.46	3.37	65,383.73	2.74
8	Bangladesh	66,071.21	2.98	67,782.51	2.84
9	Netherlands	61,770.92	2.79	62,361.78	2.61
10	Italy	61,767.45	2.79	65,433.85	2.74
11	Belgium	57,004.86	2.58	60,639.98	2.54
12	Saudi Arabia	42,456.35	1.92	46,484.31	1.95
13	France	34,884.12	1.58	38,967.91	1.63
14	India	34,024.66	1.54	39,764.72	1.67
15	Korea, Republic of	32,110.51	1.45	41,136.56	1.72
16	Turkey	29,842.65	1.35	38,157.67	1.60
17	Kenya	28,940.13	1.31	27,581.97	1.16
18	Singapore	27,881.42	1.26	7,723.33	0.32
19	Hong Kong S.A.Re.Chi	26,948.92	1.22	34,659.89	1.45
20	Viet Nam	26,688.69	1.21	24,357.05	1.02
	<b>Others</b>	<b>526,075.40</b>	<b>23.77</b>	<b>575,851.11</b>	<b>24.15</b>

## IV - Exports by Economic Categories

Performance of export by economic categories during May, 2015 and July–May, 2015 of the current financial year compared to the same period of last year are shown in table-7.

During May, 2015 exports of primary commodities and semi-manufactured goods increased by 2.90% and 11.83% respectively, while manufactured goods decreased by 9.35% during the current month as compared to the same month of last year.

During July–May, 2015 exports of primary commodities, semi manufactures and manufactured goods were higher by 4.54%, 4.45% and 0.44%, respectively, compared to the same period of last year.

**Table - 7**  
**Exports by Economic Categories**

(Million Rs.)

Economic Category	May, 2015	May, 2014	Jul - May; 2015	Jul - May; 2014
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>198,389.79</b>	<b>208,315.81</b>	<b>2,213,443.79</b>	<b>2,384,782.49</b>
1. PRIMARY COMMODITIES.	29,647.46	28,812.36	376,919.01	360,551.54
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	14.94	13.83	17.03	15.12
2. SEMI-MANUFACTURES.	31,785.85	28,424.57	327,321.62	313,373.24
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	16.02	13.64	14.79	13.14
3. MANUFACTURED GOODS.	136,956.48	151,078.88	1,509,203.16	1,502,541.90
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	69.03	72.52	68.18	63.01



## **I – Import by Groups/Commodities**

Imports into Pakistan during May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 379,073.75 million as against the imports of Rs. 385,075.87 million in the previous month and Rs. 361,817.22 million during the corresponding month of last year showing a decrease of 1.56% over previous month but increased by 4.77% over the corresponding month of last year.

Imports during July–May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 4,199,592.05 million as against Rs. 4,205,291.86 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 0.14%.

Comparative figures of imports by groups/commodities during May, 2015, April, 2015 and May, 2014 are given in Table-8 and cumulative imports for July-May, 2015 of current financial year and the previous year are given in Table-9.

### **Food Group**

During May, 2015 the 5 selected commodities of Food Groups contributed 6.75% of total imports in which the share of palm oil, pulses and milk & milk food for infants were 3.77, 1.19% and 0.94% respectively.

During July–May, 2015 this group contributed 6.16% of total imports showing an increase of 3.73% as against their combined share of 5.93% during the corresponding period of last year.

### **Machinery & Transport Group**

During May, 2015 Machinery & Transport Group contributed 21.97% of total imports in which the share of machinery and transport equipment were 15.42% and 6.56% respectively.

During July–May, 2015 this Group contributed 21.74% of the total imports showing an increase of 13.91% as against their combined share of 19.08% during the corresponding period of last year.

**Petroleum Group**

During May, 2015 Petroleum Groups contributed 22.05% of total imports in which the share of Petroleum Products and Petroleum Crude were 17.72% and 4.33% respectively.

During July–May, 2015 this group contributed 25.76% of total imports showing a decrease of 21.80% as against their combined share of 32.95% during the corresponding period of last year.

**Textile Group**

During May, 2015 Textile Groups contributed 2.79% of total imports in which the share of synthetic & artificial silk yarn and synthetic fibre were 1.74% and 1.05% respectively.

During July–May, 2015 this group contributed 2.65% of total imports showing an increase of 11.51% as against their combined share of 2.37% during the corresponding period of last year.

**Chemical Group**

During May, 2015 the Chemical Groups contributed 17.74% of total imports in which the share of chemical (excl. fertilizer, medicines & insecticide) (13.87%), medicinal products (2.16%), fertilizer manufactured (1.30%) and insecticide (0.40%).

During July–May, 2015 Chemical group contributed 16.57% of the total imports showing an increase of 10.01% as against their combined share of 15.06% during the corresponding period of last year.

**Metal Group**

During May, 2015 the Metal Groups contributed 6.79% of total imports in which the share of iron & steel and iron & steel scrap were 4.20% and 2.59% respectively.

During July–May, 2015 this group contributed 6.24% of total imports showing an increase of 32.03% as against their combined share of 4.73% during the corresponding period of last year.

**Miscellaneous Group**

During May, 2015 the Miscellaneous Group contributed 1.90% of total imports in which the share of paper & paper product and tyres & tubes were 1.18% and 0.72% respectively.

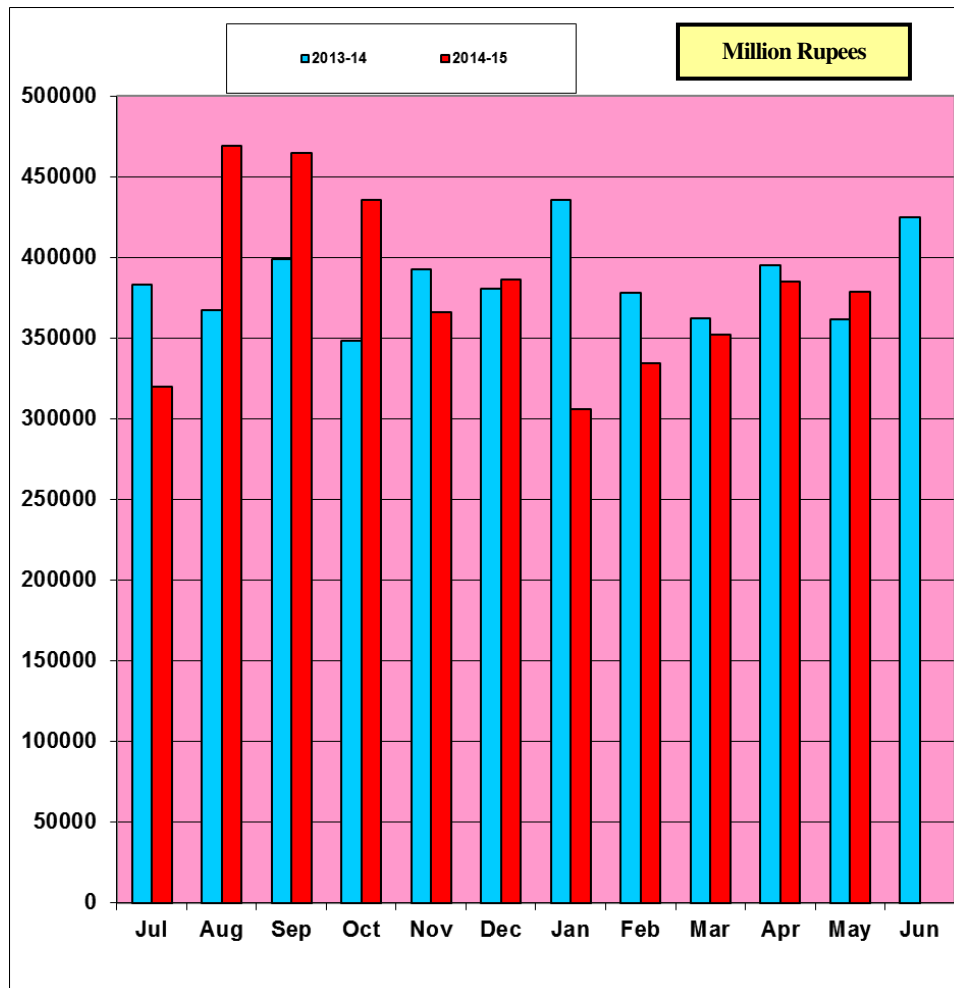
During July–May, 2015 this group contributed 1.64% of total imports showing an increase of 22.61% as against their combined share of 1.34% during the corresponding period of last year.

Table - 8

## Monthly Import by Groups/Commodities

(Million Rs.)

Commodities	May; 2015	Apr; 2015	May; 2014	% Change	
				May; 2015 Apr; 2015	May; 2015 May; 2014
<b>Total</b>	<b>379,073.75</b>	<b>385,075.87</b>	<b>361,817.22</b>	<b>-1.56</b>	<b>4.77</b>
<b>A-Food Group</b>	<b>25,594.49</b>	<b>21,295.12</b>	<b>20,656.93</b>	<b>20.19</b>	<b>23.90</b>
1 Palm oil	14,279.94	11,894.92	14,011.28	20.05	1.92
2 Pulses	4,507.20	3,823.31	2,957.02	17.89	52.42
3 Milk & milk food for infants	3,548.81	2,590.18	1,112.32	37.01	219.05
4 Tea	2,473.79	2,899.32	2,377.31	-14.68	4.06
5 Soyabean oil	784.75	87.39	199.00	797.99	294.35
<b>B-Machinery &amp; Trans. Group</b>	<b>83,296.80</b>	<b>88,780.38</b>	<b>71,022.47</b>	<b>-6.18</b>	<b>17.28</b>
1 Machinery	58,435.10	67,520.33	57,927.32	-13.46	0.88
2 Transport equipment	24,861.70	21,260.05	13,095.15	16.94	89.85
<b>C-Petroleum Group</b>	<b>83,583.02</b>	<b>98,104.88</b>	<b>117,768.19</b>	<b>-14.80</b>	<b>-29.03</b>
1 Petroleum products	67,184.10	58,844.38	69,471.83	14.17	-3.29
2 Petroleum crude	16,398.92	39,260.50	48,296.36	-58.23	-66.05
<b>D-Textile Group</b>	<b>10,589.73</b>	<b>11,228.04</b>	<b>9,723.71</b>	<b>-5.68</b>	<b>8.91</b>
1 Synthetic & artificial silk yarn	6,611.90	6,130.68	5,381.75	7.85	22.86
2 Synthetic fibre	3,977.83	5,097.36	4,341.96	-21.96	-8.39
<b>E-Chemical Group</b>	<b>67,244.40</b>	<b>66,645.14</b>	<b>57,466.66</b>	<b>0.90</b>	<b>17.01</b>
1 Chemicals (excl. 2, 3 & 4)	52,594.17	48,716.36	46,297.47	7.96	13.60
2 Fertilizer manufactured	4,944.34	9,721.34	4,671.99	-49.14	5.83
3 Medicinal products	8,198.20	6,719.85	5,017.60	22.00	63.39
4 Insecticide	1,507.69	1,487.59	1,479.60	1.35	1.90
<b>F-Metal Group</b>	<b>25,756.07</b>	<b>29,792.42</b>	<b>21,819.31</b>	<b>-13.55</b>	<b>18.04</b>
1 Iron & steel	15,932.25	20,090.49	13,905.20	-20.70	14.58
2 Iron & steel scrap	9,823.82	9,701.93	7,914.11	1.26	24.13
<b>G-Miscellaneous Group</b>	<b>7,211.30</b>	<b>6,767.09</b>	<b>5,242.22</b>	<b>6.56</b>	<b>37.56</b>
1 Paper & paper products	4,485.12	4,725.88	3,875.55	-5.09	15.73
2 Tyres & tubes	2,726.18	2,041.21	1,366.67	33.56	99.48
<b>Others</b>	<b>75,797.94</b>	<b>62,462.80</b>	<b>58,117.73</b>	<b>21.35</b>	<b>30.42</b>

**MONTHLY IMPORTS INTO PAKISTAN**

**Table - 9**  
**Cumulative Import by Groups/Commodities**

Commodities	Jul - May; 2015	Jul - May; 2014	(Million Rs.)
			% Change
			Jul - May; 2015
			Jul - May; 2014
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,199,592.05</b>	<b>4,205,291.86</b>	<b>-0.14</b>
<b>A-Food Group</b>	<b>258,505.97</b>	<b>249,543.62</b>	<b>3.59</b>
1 Palm oil	161,758.92	172,496.75	-6.22
2 Pulses	37,091.22	27,736.31	33.73
3 Tea	31,925.71	28,071.36	13.73
4 Milk & milk food for infants	23,097.21	13,032.06	77.23
5 Soya-bean oil	4,632.91	8,207.14	-43.55
<b>B-Machinery &amp; Transport Group</b>	<b>912,797.74</b>	<b>802,432.98</b>	<b>13.75</b>
1 Machinery	680,097.00	602,825.43	12.82
2 Transport equipment	232,700.74	199,607.55	16.58
<b>C-Petroleum Group</b>	<b>1,081,902.38</b>	<b>1,385,466.49</b>	<b>-21.91</b>
1 Petroleum products	702,030.70	845,453.56	-16.96
2 Petroleum crude	379,871.68	540,012.93	-29.66
<b>D-Textile Group</b>	<b>111,161.87</b>	<b>99,822.10</b>	<b>11.36</b>
1 Synthetic & artificial silk yarn	62,494.89	58,980.85	5.96
2 Synthetic fibre	48,666.98	40,841.25	19.16
<b>E-Chemical Group</b>	<b>695,809.58</b>	<b>633,340.98</b>	<b>9.86</b>
1 Chemicals (excl. 2, 3 & 4)	505,675.75	479,329.91	5.50
2 Fertilizer manufactured	87,738.95	67,426.15	30.13
3 Medicinal products	89,335.20	75,191.50	18.81
4 Insecticide	13,059.68	11,393.42	14.62
<b>F-Metal Group</b>	<b>262,244.97</b>	<b>198,898.22</b>	<b>31.85</b>
1 Iron & steel	166,608.26	129,975.70	28.18
2 Iron & steel scrap	95,636.71	68,922.52	38.76
<b>G-Miscellaneous Group</b>	<b>69,038.42</b>	<b>56,384.80</b>	<b>22.44</b>
1 Paper & paper products	44,918.90	37,297.24	20.43
2 Tyres & tubes	24,119.52	19,087.56	26.36
<b>Others</b>	<b>808,131.12</b>	<b>779,402.67</b>	<b>3.69</b>

## II – Analysis of Selected Commodities of Import

### POL

Imports of POL during May, 2015 valued at Rs. 83,583.02 million was lower by 14.80% compared to April, 2015 Rs. 98,104.88 million and by 29.03% compared to May, 2014 Rs. 117,768.19 million. Cumulative imports of POL during the period July–May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 1,081,902.38 million as against Rs. 1,385,466.49 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 21.91%.

The share of POL in total imports in May, 2015 was 22.05% as against 25.48% in April, 2015 and by 32.55% in May, 2014. During July–May, 2015 its share was 26.76% as against 32.95% in the corresponding period of last year.

Variety wise details of imports of POL during July–May, 2015 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Million Rs.)

Commodity	July - May, 2015		July - May, 2014	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>332,224</b>	<b>30,467.12</b>	<b>733,698</b>	<b>65,088.52</b>
PETROLEUM TOP-NEPHTHA	259,150	23,868.59	649,389	56,393.66
OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	73,074	6,598.53	84,309	8,694.86

***Chemicals (Excluding fertilizer, insecticides & medicines)***

Imports of chemicals during May, 2015 valued at Rs. 52,594.17 million was higher by 7.96% compared to April, 2015 Rs. 48,716.36 million and by 13.60% compared to May, 2014 Rs. 46,397.47 million. During July–May, 2015 its imports amounted to Rs. 505,675.75 million which was higher by 5.50% compared to imports of Rs. 479,329.91 million during the corresponding period of last year.

The share of chemicals in total imports in May, 2015 was 13.87% as against 12.65% in April, 2015 and 12.80% in May, 2014. During July–May, 2015 its share was 12.04% as against 11.40% in the corresponding period of last year.

Details of imports of chemicals by type during July–May, 2015 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Million Rs.)

Commodity	Jul - May, 2015	Jul - May, 2014
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>505,675.75</b>	<b>479,329.91</b>
ORGANIC CHEMICALS	168,374.72	174,036.76
INORGANIC CHEMICALS	46,569.48	39,581.62
DYING, TANNING & COLOURING	36,491.96	35,018.05
ESSENTIAL OIL, PERFUME & FLAVOUR	26,892.25	22,583.41
ARTIFICIAL RESINS, PLASTIC	166,776.62	155,851.51
OTHER CHEMICAL MATERIAL	60,570.72	52,258.56



## ***Machinery***

Imports of machinery during May, 2015 valued at Rs. 58,435.10 million was lower by 13.46% compared to April, 2015 Rs. 67,520.33 million but higher by 0.88% compared to May, 2014, Rs. 57,927.32 million. Cumulative imports of machinery during the period July–May, 2015 amounted to Rs. 680,097.00 million as against Rs. 602,825.43 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 12.82%.

The share of machinery in total imports in May, 2015 was 15.42% as against 17.53% in April, 2015 and 16.01% in May, 2014. During July–May, 2015 its share was 16.19% as against 14.33% in the corresponding period of last year.

Details of imports of machinery during July–May, 2015 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Million Rs.)		
Commodity	Jul - May, 2015	Jul - May, 2014
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>680,097.00</b>	<b>602,825.43</b>
POWER GENERATING MACH. & EQUIP.	121,414.50	101,258.81
AGRI. MACHINERY & IMPLEMENTS	6,599.45	4,487.14
TRACTORS ALL SORTS	3,049.24	2,024.63
TEXTILE AND LEATHER MACHINERY	45,664.24	60,020.18
CONSTRUCTION & MINING MACHINERY	25,424.69	25,036.88
METAL WORKING MACHINERY	6,961.16	5,829.18
OFFICE MACHINES & AUTOMATIC	36,801.88	20,115.13
EQUIPMENT FOR DISTRIBUTING ELECT	13,322.13	9,834.72
TELECOMMUNICATION APPRATUS	7,398.88	7,042.07
OTHER MACHINERY & APPRATUS	413,460.84	367,176.71

### ***Transport Equipment***

Transport equipment was Rs. 24,861.70 million was imported during May, 2015 as against its imports of Rs. 21,260.05 million in April, 2015 and Rs. 13,095.15 million in May, 2014 showing an increase of 16.94% over April, 2015 and by 89.85% over May, 2014. The imports of this item during July–May, 2015 totalled Rs. 232,700.74 million which was higher by 16.58% as compared to its imports of Rs. 199,607.55 million during the corresponding period of last year.

The share of transport equipment in total imports in May, 2015 was 6.56% as against 5.52% in April, 2015 and 3.62% in May, 2014. During July–May, 2015 its share was 5.54% as against the share of 4.75% in the corresponding period of last year.

Details of imports of transport equipment during July–May, 2015 and the corresponding period of last year are given below:-

(Million Rs.)		
Commodity	Jul - May, 2015	Jul - May, 2014
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>232,700.74</b>	<b>199,607.55</b>
PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLES	75,380.27	58,862.97
BUSES & THEIR CHASIS WITH ENGINE	5,991.41	4,429.49
LORRIES & TRUCKS INCL. SPECIAL	3,283.11	3,810.41
AIRCRAFTS	14,182.98	10,591.47
SHIPS & BOATS	59,468.75	72,547.69
RAILWAY VEHICLES	22,474.16	7,771.89
MOTORCYCLES, SCOOTERS	8,296.24	6,975.87
OTHERS	43,623.81	34,617.76

### **III - Direction of Imports**

Imports by Territories/Regions and major countries during May, 2015 and July–May, 2015 of current financial year compared with the corresponding period of last year are given in table 10, 11, 12 and 13 respectively.

During May, 2015 (10.40%) of total imports were from European Union. The share of imports of Middle East was 29.89% and North America was 5.35%. Country-wise, China was at the top of imports list during May, 2015 followed by United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Indonesia and U.S.A. The combined share of these six countries during May, 2015 was 56.13% as against their combined share of 58.29% during May, 2014. During July–May, 2015 imports from European Union 9.99%, imports from Middle East were 32.69% and from North America 4.68% of total imports during this period. Country-wise China was on the top of the imports list followed by United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Indonesia and U.S.A. during July–May, 2015. The combined share of these six countries in total imports during this period was 58.93% as against their combined share of 57.78% during the corresponding period of last year.

**Table - 10****Monthly Imports by Territories/Regions**

(Million Rs.)

Countries		May, 2015		May, 2014	
		Value	% Share	Value	% Share
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>379,073.75</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>361,817.22</b>	<b>100.00</b>
1	Latin & Central America	865.76	0.23	383.55	0.11
2	South America	6,772.09	1.79	1,543.68	0.43
3	North America	20,281.81	5.35	11,850.20	3.28
4	Eastern Europe	2,669.98	0.70	2,730.98	0.75
5	European Union	39,421.01	10.40	42,355.42	11.71
6	E.F.T.A	3,823.11	1.01	3,087.38	0.85
7	Other Europe	715.79	0.19	536.15	0.15
8	Middle East	113,320.11	29.89	131,299.58	36.29
	Asian Countries	112,406.07	29.65	130,063.98	35.95
	African Countries	914.04	0.24	1,235.60	0.34
9	Other Asia	173,623.60	45.80	154,764.61	42.77
10	Other Africa	13,924.92	3.67	8,910.53	2.46
11	Oceania	3,655.56	0.96	4,355.14	1.20

**Table - 11**  
**Monthly Imports by Major Countries**

(Million Rs.)

Countries	May, 2015		May, 2014	
	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
<i>Total</i>	<b>379,073.75</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>361,817.22</b>	<b>100.00</b>
1 China	86,902.56	22.92	68,859.80	19.03
2 United Arab Emirates	49,175.30	12.97	37,040.48	10.24
3 Saudi Arabia	24,708.60	6.52	45,467.17	12.57
4 Kuwait	18,146.35	4.79	33,433.23	9.24
5 Indonesia	17,426.67	4.60	15,491.41	4.28
6 U.S.America	16,428.06	4.33	10,604.90	2.93
7 Japan	14,681.44	3.87	11,599.98	3.21
8 India	12,109.55	3.19	11,112.13	3.07
9 Singapore	10,562.50	2.79	14,308.85	3.95
10 Thailand	10,018.52	2.64	5,051.26	1.40
11 Oman	8,375.98	2.21	9,808.17	2.71
12 Germany	8,287.77	2.19	9,936.10	2.75
13 Korea, Republic of	6,623.62	1.75	5,428.20	1.50
14 Malaysia	6,607.42	1.74	12,995.40	3.59
15 Qatar	6,321.30	1.67	1,023.83	0.28
16 United Kingdom	6,010.50	1.59	7,255.67	2.01
17 South Africa	4,379.65	1.16	3,007.15	0.83
18 Morocco	4,250.42	1.12	2,213.44	0.61
19 France	4,148.48	1.09	3,062.12	0.85
20 European Union	3,867.05	1.02	5,924.67	1.64
<b>* O T H E R S</b>	<b>60,042.02</b>	<b>15.84</b>	<b>48,193.26</b>	<b>13.32</b>

**Table – 12**  
**Cumulative Import by Territories/Regions**

(Million Rs.)

Territories/Regions	Jul - May; 2015		Jul - May; 2014	
	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,199,592.05</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>4,205,291.86</b>	<b>100.00</b>
1 Latin & Central America	6,187.35	0.15	4,855.26	0.12
2 South America	53,440.25	1.27	28,709.72	0.68
3 North America	196,483.84	4.68	184,579.42	4.39
4 Eastern Europe	82,569.74	1.97	57,420.83	1.37
5 European Union	419,462.11	9.99	441,556.35	10.50
6 E.F.T.A.	28,300.45	0.67	32,661.38	0.78
7 Other Europe	5244.88	0.12	4815.64	0.11
8 Middle East	1,372,952.30	32.69	1,626,871.57	38.69
i) Asian Countries	1,354,713.96	32.26	1,608,450.65	38.25
ii) African Countries	18,238.34	0.43	18,420.92	0.44
9 Other Asia	1,869,916.97	44.53	1,699,605.92	40.42
10 Other Africa	123,252.28	2.93	89,575.08	2.13
11 Oceania	41,781.88	0.99	34,640.69	0.82

Table - 13

## Cumulative Import from Major Countries

(Million Rs.)

Countries	Jul - May; 2015		Jul - May; 2014	
	Value	% Share	Value	% Share
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,199,592.05</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>4,205,291.86</b>	<b>100.00</b>
1 China	949,073.23	22.60	705,138.96	16.77
2 United Arab Emirates	627,721.34	14.95	675,505.86	16.06
3 Saudi Arabia	320,664.65	7.64	419,500.68	9.98
4 Kuwait	229,920.54	5.47	319,978.33	7.61
5 Indonesia	187,266.19	4.46	139,812.12	3.32
6 U.S.America	160,307.47	3.82	169,696.30	4.04
7 India	160,031.52	3.81	193,745.68	4.61
8 Japan	154,896.61	3.69	167,447.61	3.98
9 Oman	100,120.60	2.38	130,649.88	3.11
10 Germany	90,435.34	2.15	115,431.15	2.74
11 Malaysia	86,550.28	2.06	159,693.44	3.80
12 Singapore	85,216.24	2.03	95,034.40	2.26
13 Thailand	76,369.56	1.82	61,078.02	1.45
14 Korea, Republic of	61,851.36	1.47	62,417.08	1.48
15 United Kingdom	55,974.20	1.33	55,929.62	1.33
16 South Africa	44,769.65	1.07	28,688.93	0.68
17 European Union	43,352.37	1.03	41,265.31	0.98
18 Italy	39,846.47	0.95	46,206.84	1.10
19 Ukraine	38,144.50	0.91	22,773.80	0.54
20 Australia	36,877.02	0.88	30,066.65	0.71
<b>Others</b>	<b>650,202.94</b>	<b>15.48</b>	<b>565,231.23</b>	<b>13.44</b>

## IV - Imports by Economic Categories

During May, 2015 imports of consumer goods increased by 19.54%, while raw material for consumer goods decreased by 7.39%, compared to May, 2014. Import of raw materials for capital goods and capital goods during May, 2015 increased by 23.85% and 13.71% respectively, compared to the same month of last year.

During the eleven months of current financial year July–May, 2015, imports of consumer goods was higher by 3.16%, while raw material for consumer goods decreased by 10.67% compared to July–May, 2014. Imports of capital goods and raw material for capital goods during July–May, 2015 increased by 13.75% and 27.64% respectively, compared to the corresponding period of last year.

Performance of imports by economic categories is shown in table–14.

**Table - 14**  
**Imports by Economic Categories**

(Million Rs.)

Economic Category	May, 2015	May, 2014	Jul - May; 2015	Jul - May; 2014
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>379,073.75</b>	<b>361,817.22</b>	<b>4,199,592.05</b>	<b>4,205,291.86</b>
1. CONSUMER GOODS	72,550.31	60,689.45	739,372.26	716,724.79
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	19.14	16.77	17.61	17.04
2. RAW MATERIAL FOR CONSUMER GOODS	170,345.46	183,940.73	1,997,645.14	2,236,325.12
% SHARE IN TOTAL EXPORTS.	44.94	50.84	47.57	53.18
3. RAW MATERIAL FOR CAPITAL GOODS	35,781.91	28,892.14	350,913.15	274,923.68
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	9.44	7.99	8.36	6.54
4. CAPITAL GOODS	100,396.07	88,294.90	1,111,661.50	977,318.27
% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS.	26.48	24.40	26.47	23.24