

**Government of Pakistan**  
**Pakistan Bureau of Statistics**

**SUB: - ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2019.**

**EXPORTS:**

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during January, 2019 amounted to Rs. 283,372 million (provisional) as against Rs. 287,798 million (provisional) in December, 2018 and Rs. 216,948 million during January, 2018 showing a decrease of 1.54% over December, 2018 but an increase of 30.62% over January, 2018.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in January, 2019 was \$ 2,043 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2,080 million (provisional) in December, 2018 showing a decrease of 1.78% but increased by 3.97% as compared to \$1,965 million in January, 2018.

3. Exports during July-January, 2018 - 2019 totaled Rs.1,730,534 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,379,907 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 25.41%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July-January, 2018 - 2019 totaled \$ 13,231 million (provisional) against \$ 12,941 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 2.24%.

5. Main commodities of exports during January, 2019 were Readymade garments (Rs. 35,549 million), Knitwear (Rs.34,477 million), Bed wear (Rs.26,811million), Cotton cloth (Rs.25,155 million), Rice others (Rs.24,774 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.12,013 million), Fruits (Rs.9,993 million), Towels (Rs.9,491 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bed wear) (Rs.8,669 million) and Rice Basmati (Rs.7,987 million).

6. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities exported during January, 2019 over December, 2018 and January, 2018 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in January, 2019 over	
		December, 2018	January, 2018
1.	Readymade garments	7.87	38.11
2.	Knitwear	-4.33	46.04
3.	Bed wear	0.32	34.03
4.	Cotton cloth	5.53	24.89
5.	Rice others	11.33	35.07
6.	Cotton yarn	14.57	39.85
7.	Fruits	0.53	42.29
8.	Towels	7.72	18.64
9.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	3.88	33.21
10.	Rice Basmati	6.92	39.56

## **IMPORTS**

7. Imports into Pakistan during January, 2019 amounted to Rs.624,644 million (provisional) as against Rs. 615,030 million (provisional) in December, 2018 and Rs. 614,925 million during January, 2018 showing an increase of 1.56% over December, 2018 and by 1.58% over January, 2018.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in January, 2019 was \$ 4,504 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,444 million (provisional) in December, 2018 showing an increase of 1.35% but decreased by 19.14% as compared to \$ 5,570 million in January, 2018.

9. Imports during July-January, 2018 - 2019 totaled Rs.4,234,784 million (provisional) as against Rs.3,654,290 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 15.89%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - January, 2018 - 2019 totaled \$ 32,495 million (provisional) as against \$ 34,265 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 5.17%.

11. Main commodities of imports during January, 2019 were Petroleum products (Rs.60,740 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.39,137 million), Natural Gas Liquefied (Rs. 36,661 million), Iron & steel (Rs.27,218 million), Plastic materials (Rs. 23,553 million), Palm oil (Rs. 23,469 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs. 22,449 million), Iron & steel scrap (Rs.18,074 million), Aircrafts, ships & boats (Rs.17,715 million) and Medicinal products (Rs.11,389 million),

12. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities imported during January, 2019 over December, 2018 and January, 2018 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in January, 2019 over	
		December, 2018	January, 2018
1	Petroleum products	-10.39	-2.87
2	Petroleum crude	-21.60	-5.16
3	Natural gas Liquefied	5.04	30.92
4	Iron & steel	25.46	13.63
5	Plastic Materials	6.18	-3.08
6	Palm Oil	16.97	24.18
7	Electrical machinery & apparatus	13.34	13.21
8	Iron and steel scrap	0.08	5.08
9	Aircrafts, ships & boats	286.28	-51.46
10	Medicinal products	-21.71	27.77

## **BALANCE OF TRADE:**

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in January, 2019 was (-)341,272 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 2,461 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July-January, 2019 were (-) 2,504,250 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 19,264 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of January, 2019 and July - January, 2018 - 2019 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.