

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

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

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during May,2019 amounted to Rs. 306,303 million (provisional) as against Rs. 295,541 million (provisional) in April, 2019 and Rs. 246,907 million during May, 2018 showing an increase of 3.64% over April, 2019 and of 24.06% over May,2018.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in May,2019 was \$ 2,102 million(provisional) as compared to \$ 2,094 million (provisional) in April, 2019 showing an increase of 0.38% but decreased by 1.72% as compared to \$ 2,139 million in May,2018.

3. Exports during July - May, 2018 - 2019 totaled Rs. 2,865,543 million (provisional) as against Rs. 2,331,258 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 22.92%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July–May, 2018 - 2019 totaled \$ 21,267 million (provisional) against \$ 21,330 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 0.30%.

5. Main commodities of exports during May,2019 were Knitwear (Rs. 39,914 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 36,862 million), Bed wear (Rs. 27,440 million), Cotton cloth (Rs. 24,376 million), Rice others (Rs. 20,495 million), Cotton yarn (Rs. 15,552 million), Rice Basmati (Rs.12,021 million), Towels (Rs.10,570 million), Fish & Fish preparations (Rs.8,462million) and Made-up articles (excl. towels & bed wear) (Rs.8,459 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May,2019 over	
		April, 2019	May,2018
1.	Knitwear	16.81	38.25
2.	Readymade Garments	12.87	43.33
3.	Bed wear	7.49	18.82
4.	Cotton Cloth	-3.30	10.15
5.	Rice others	1.02	32.72
6.	Cotton yarn	4.31	3.42
7.	Rice Basmati	17.30	36.76
8.	Towels	5.94	32.27
9.	Fish & Fish Preparations	9.81	39.80
10.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	4.28	22.81

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during May, 2019 amounted to Rs. 734,578 million (provisional) as against Rs. 670,895 million (provisional) in April, 2019 and Rs. 667,562 million during May, 2018 showing an increase of 9.49% over April, 2019 and by 10.04% over May,2018.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in May,2019 was \$ 5,042 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,753 million (provisional) in April, 2019 showing an increase of 6.08% but decreased by 12.80% as compared to \$ 5,782 million in May,2018.

9. Imports during July-May, 2018 - 2019 totaled Rs. 6,776,616 million (provisional) as against Rs. 6,022,785 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 12.52%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - May, 2018 - 2019 totaled \$ 50,474 million (provisional) as against \$ 55,142 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 8.47%.

11. Main commodities of imports during May,2019 were Petroleum products (Rs.73,301 million), Aircrafts, ships and boats (Rs. 64,499 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.55,264 million), Natural gas, liquified (Rs.49,003 million), Plastic materials (Rs. 31,362 million), Iron & steel (Rs. 28,819 million), Palm oil (Rs. 24,287 million), Electrical machinery and apparatus (Rs.21,726 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.21,025 million) and Iron and steel scrap (Rs.17,489 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May,2019 over	
		April, 2019	May,2018
1	Petroleum products	-0.43	-20.63
2	Aircrafts, ships and boats	3318.07	1197.77
3	Petroleum crude	-9.33	18.18
4	Natural gas Liquified	9.55	63.43
5	Plastic materials	-0.52	23.18
6	Iron and steel	17.98	30.90
7	Palm oil	12.39	32.22
8	Electrical Machinery and Apparatus	-10.16	-10.07
9	Power generating machinery	69.16	-40.17
10	Iron and steel scrap	8.64	0.31

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in May, 2019 was (-) 428,275 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 2,940 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - May, 2018 - 2019 were (-) 3,911,073 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 29,207 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the

month of May, 2019 and July - May, 2018 - 2019 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.