

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB: - ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNALTRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2020.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during May, 2020 amounted to Rs. 223,536 million (provisional) as against Rs. 157,412 million (provisional) in April, 2020 and Rs. 305,303 million during May, 2019 showing an increase of 42.01% over April, 2020 but a decrease of 26.78% over May, 2019.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in May, 2020 were \$ 1,396 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 957 million (provisional) in April, 2020 showing an increase of 45.87% but decreased by 33.40% as compared to \$ 2,096 million in May 2019.

3. Exports during July – May, 2019 - 2020 totaled Rs. 3,106,723 million (provisional) as against Rs. 2,863,885 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 8.48%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – May, 2019 - 2020 totaled \$ 19,801 million (provisional) against \$ 21,256 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 6.85%.

5. Main commodities of exports during May, 2020 were Knitwear (Rs. 28,962 million), Bed wear (Rs. 23,380 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 21,708 million), Rice others (Rs. 20,079 million), Cotton cloth (Rs. 15,731 million), Basmati rice (Rs. 13,128 million), Cotton Yarn (Rs. 8,324 million), Towels (Rs.6,668 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.5,537 million) and Fish & Fish Preparation (Rs. 4,554 million).

6. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities exported during May, 2020 over April, 2020 and May, 2019 is given below: -

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May, 2020 over	
		April, 2020	May, 2019
1	Knitwear	90.87	-27.40
2	Bed wear	85.14	-14.49
3	Readymade garments	115.01	-40.97
4	Rice others	-7.31	-5.21
5	Cotton cloth	77.00	-35.64
6	Basmati Rice	-12.55	15.84
7	Cotton yarn	30.56	-46.48
8	Towels	121.28	-36.92
9	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	60.05	-35.22
10	Fish & Fish Preparation	-0.22	-46.31

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7. Imports into Pakistan during May, 2020 amounted to Rs. 458,272 million (provisional) as against Rs. 526,880 million (provisional) in April, 2020 and Rs. 730,962 million during May 2019 showing a decrease of 13.02% over April, 2020 and of 37.31% over May 2019.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in May, 2020 were \$ 2,863 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,204 million (provisional) in April, 2020 showing a decrease of 10.64% and by 42.93% as compared to \$ 5,017 million in May 2019.

9. Imports during July – May, 2019 - 2020 totaled Rs. 6,421,012 million (provisional) as against Rs. 6,767,523 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 5.12%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July – May, 2019 - 2020 totaled \$ 40,866 million (provisional) as against \$ 50,410 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 18.93%.

11. Main commodities of imports during May, 2020 were Electrical machinery and apparatus (Rs. 31,412 million), Iron and Steel (Rs. 23,205 million), Palm Oil (Rs. 21,591 million), Petroleum products (Rs. 20,813 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.20,339 million), Iron and steel Scrap (Rs. 19,435 million) Plastic Materials (Rs. 18,991 million), Mobile phones (Rs.17,778 million), Natural gas, liquefied (Rs. 17,285 million) and Raw cotton (Rs. 16,535 million).

12. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities imported during May, 2020 over April, 2020 and May, 2019 is given below: -

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May, 2020 over	
		April, 2020	May, 2019
1	Electrical machinery and apparatus	13.54	42.87
2	Iron and steel	45.61	-19.48
3	Palm oil	-30.82	-11.10
4	Petroleum products	-63.17	-71.61
5	Power generating machinery	147.19	-3.26
6	Iron and steel scrap	12.34	11.13
7	Plastic Materials	-20.57	-38.93
8	Mobile phones	127.04	85.42
9	Natural gas, liquefied	-30.57	-64.73
10	Raw cotton	-14.57	0.08

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in May, 2020 was (-) 234,736 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,467 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July – May, 2019 -2020 were (-) 3,314,289 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 21,065 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of May, 2020 and July – May, 2019-2020 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.