

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB: - ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNALTRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2023.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during May, 2023 amounted to Rs.628,037 million (provisional) as against Rs. 608,863 million in April, 2023 and Rs.512,962 million during May, 2022 showing an increase of 3.15% over April, 2023 and by 22.43% over May, 2022.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in May, 2023 were \$ 2,200 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2,137 million in April, 2023 showing an increase of 2.95% but decreased by 16.16% as compared to \$ 2,624 million in May, 2022.

3. Exports during July – May,2022-2023 FY2022-23 totaled Rs. 6,187,511 million (provisional) as against Rs.5,066,143 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 22.13%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – May,2022-2023 FY2022-23 totaled \$ 25,380 million (provisional) against \$ 28,871 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 12.09%.

5. Main commodities of exports during May, 2023 were Knitwear (Rs. 94,969 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 76,422 million), Bed wear (Rs. 57,521 million), Cotton Cloth (Rs. 49,865 million), Rice Others (Rs.32,197 million), Cotton Yarn (Rs.28,650 million), Towels (Rs.24,975 million), Rice basmati (Rs.19,074 million), Fish & fish preparations (Rs.14,439 million) and Madeup articles (excl.towels & bedwear.) (Rs.14,367 million).

6. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities exported during May, 2023 over April, 2023 and May, 2022 is given below: -

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May, 2023 over	
		April, 2023	May, 2022
1	Knitwear	3.58	13.41
2	Readymade garments	8.40	21.53
3	Bed wear	-7.42	4.57
4	Cotton cloth	19.30	10.28
5	Rice others	-28.69	-0.12
6	Cotton Yarn	57.72	37.51
7	Towels	10.12	38.48
8	Rice Basmati	2.36	62.81
9	Fish & fish preparations	-0.74	82.62
10	Madeup articles (excl.towels & bedwear.)	0.17	4.44

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IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during May, 2023 amounted to Rs. 1,235,475 million (provisional) as against Rs. 854,112 million in April, 2023 and Rs. 1,321,609 million during May, 2022 showing an increase of 44.65% over April, 2023 but a decrease of 6.52% over May, 2022.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in May, 2023 were \$ 4,328 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2,997 million in April, 2023 showing an increase of 44.41% but decreased by 35.98% as compared to \$ 6,760 million in May, 2022.

9. Imports during July – May, 2022-2023 FY2022-23 totaled Rs. 12,327,431 million (provisional) as against Rs. 12,667,725 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 2.69%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July – May, 2022-2023 FY2022-23 totaled \$ 51,210 million (provisional) as against \$ 72,280 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 29.15%.

11. Main commodities of imports during May, 2023 were Petroleum products (Rs. 171,029 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.109,865 million), Natural gas, liquified (Rs.102,995 million), Palm oil (Rs. 83,980 million), Plastic Materials (Rs. 54,664 million), Electric machinery & apparatus (Rs.52,629 million), Iron & steel (Rs.40,305 million), Raw cotton (Rs.29,864 million), Medicinal products (Rs.24,052 million) and Pulses (leguminous vegetables) (Rs.19,730 million).

12. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities imported during May, 2023 over April, 2023 and May, 2022 is given below: -

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May, 2023 over	
		April, 2023	May, 2022
1	Petroleum products	92.02	-40.62
2	Petroleum crude	39.20	4.33
3	Natural Gas Liquified	39.75	-9.78
4	Palm oil	63.67	39.59
5	Plastic Materials	48.07	17.47
6	Electrical machinery & apparatus	57.77	81.75
7	Iron & Steel	53.55	-12.80
8	Raw Cotton	-11.34	-35.30
9	Medicinal products	18.46	39.35
10	Pulses (leguminous vegetables)	13.95	115.04

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in May, 2023 was (-)607,438 million in terms of Rupees and (-)2,128 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - May,2022-2023 FY2022-23 were (-)6,139,920 million in terms of Rupees and (-)25,830 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of May, 2023 and July – May,2022-2023 FY2022-23 along-with the data of previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.