

Government of Pakistan
Statistics Division
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB:- ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2012.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during January, 2012 amounted to Rs.175,998 million (provisional) as against Rs. 165,674 million (provisional) in December, 2011 and Rs.197,669 million during January, 2011 showing an increase of 6.23% over December,2011 but a decrease of 10.96% over January, 2011.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in January, 2012 was \$ 1,953 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,854 million (provisional) in December, 2011 showing an increase of 5.34% but a decrease of exports by 15.34% as compared to \$ 2,307 million in January, 2011.

3. Exports during July-January, 2011-2012 totalled Rs.1,152,765 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,124,315 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 2.53%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July - January, 2011-2012 totalled \$ 13,155 million (provisional) as against \$ 13,122 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 0.25%.

5. Main commodities of exports during January, 2012 were Cotton cloth (Rs.16,088 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.13,845 million), Readymade garments (Rs.13,500 million), Knitwear (Rs.13,480 million), Rice others (Rs.11,714 million), Bedwear (Rs.11,171 million), Jewellery (Rs.7,652 million), Towels (Rs.4,985 million), Petroleum top nephta (Rs.4,972 million) and Plastic materials (Rs.4,424 million),.

6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during January, 2012 over December, 2011 and January, 2011 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in January, 2012 over	
		December, 2011	January, 2011
1.	Cotton cloth	-0.89	-9.07
2.	Cotton yarn	17.07	-26.80
3.	Readymade garments	5.96	5.55
4.	Knitwear	4.58	-21.33
5.	Rice others	-15.65	18.78
6.	Bedwear	0.31	-22.14
7.	Jewellery	117.76	761.71
8.	Towels	11.30	-11.94
9.	Petroleum Top Naphta	20.68	-22.58
10.	Plastic materials	36.63	31.78

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during January, 2012 amounted to Rs.328,907 million (provisional) as against Rs. 380,672 million (provisional) in December, 2011 and Rs.295,103 million during January, 2011 showing a decrease of 13.60% over December, 2011 but an increase of 11.45% over January, 2011.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in January, 2012 was \$ 3,649 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,261 million (provisional) in December, 2011 showing a decrease of 14.36% but an increase of imports by 5.95% as compared to \$ 3,444 million in January, 2011.

9. Imports during July -January, 2011-2012 totalled Rs.2,308,109 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,931,689 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 19.49%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July -January, 2011-2012 totalled \$ 26,327 million (provisional) as against \$ 22,546 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 16.77%.

11. Main commodities of imports during January, 2012 were Petroleum products (Rs.64,477 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.39,523 million), Palm oil (Rs.16,229 million), Plastic materials (Rs.11,448 million), Iron & steel (Rs.11,281 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.7,980 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.5,732 million), Mobile phones (Rs.5,390 million), Medicinal products (Rs.5,220 million) and Raw cotton (Rs.4,773 million).

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during January, 2012 over December, 2011 and January, 2011 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in January, 2012 over	
		December, 2011	January, 2011
1.	Petroleum products	-20.99	26.41
2.	Petroleum crude	13.46	17.52
3.	Palm oil	-18.53	14.60
4.	Plastic materials	5.81	-8.20
5.	Iron & Steel	15.70	38.37
6.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	-9.23	45.75
7.	Power generating machinery	-74.91	-37.80
8.	Mobile phones	19.70	8.54
9.	Medicinal products	-6.03	14.22
10.	Raw cotton	172.90	-34.63

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in January, 2012 was (-) 152,909 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,696 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - January, 2011-2012 were (-)1,155,344 million in terms of Rupees and (-)13,172 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of January, 2012 and July-January, 2011-2012 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period are enclosed.