

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

**SUB: - ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNALTRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2022.**

**EXPORTS:**

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during December, 2022 amounted to Rs.519,817 million (provisional) as against Rs. 531,599 million in November, 2022 and Rs.489,639 million during December, 2021 showing a decrease of 2.22% over November, 2022 but an increase of 6.16% over December, 2021.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in December, 2022 were \$ 2,313 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2,391 million in November, 2022 showing a decrease of 3.26% and 16.32% as compared to \$ 2,764 million in December, 2021.

3. Exports during July – December, 2022 FY2022-23 totaled Rs. 3,181,072 million (provisional) as against Rs. 2,561,784 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 24.17%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – December, 2022 FY2022-23 totaled \$ 14,258 million (provisional) against \$ 15,125 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 5.73%.

5. Main commodities of exports during December, 2022 were Knitwear (Rs. 79,492 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 71,729 million), Bed wear (Rs. 46,846 million), Cotton Cloth (Rs. 36,563 million), Rice Others (Rs.28,623 million), Towels (Rs.18,472 million), Madeup articles (Excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.16,019 million), Cotton Yarn (Rs.11,991 million), Rice basmati (Rs.11,495 million) and Fruits (Rs.10,236 million).

6. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities exported during December, 2022 over November, 2022 and December, 2021 is given below: -

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in December, 2022 FY2022-23 over	
		November, 2022	December, 2021
1	Knitwear	-10.66	2.07
2	Readymade garments	-1.23	16.81
3	Bed wear	-5.28	4.32
4	Cotton cloth	7.10	9.14
5	Rice others	-18.01	-15.47
6	Towels	-10.31	9.04
7	Madeup articles (excl. towel & bedwear)	3.86	30.53
8	Cotton Yarn	25.78	-36.47
9	Rice Basmati	12.12	31.98
10	Fruits	198.14	-16.86

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## **IMPORTS**

7. Imports into Pakistan during December, 2022 amounted to Rs. 1,158,313 million (provisional) as against Rs. 1,152,054 million in November, 2022 and Rs. 1,342,938 million during December, 2021 showing an increase of 0.54% over November, 2021 but a decrease of 13.75% over December, 2021.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in December, 2022 were \$ 5,154 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 5,182 million in November, 2022 showing a decrease of 0.54% and 32.01% as compared to \$ 7,580 million in December, 2021.

9. Imports during July – December, 2022 FY2022-23 totaled Rs. 6,971,110 million (provisional) as against Rs. 6,875,212 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 1.39%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July – December, 2022 FY2022-23 totaled \$ 31,245 million (provisional) as against \$ 40,563 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 22.97%.

11. Main commodities of imports during December, 2022 were Petroleum products (Rs. 146,065 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.113,024 million), Natural gas, liquified (Rs.82,017 million), Palm oil (Rs. 80,361 million), Raw cotton (Rs.53,878 million), Plastic Materials (Rs. 48,956 million), Iron & steel (Rs.39,647 million), Wheat unmilled (Rs.33,453 million), Medicinal products (Rs.23,183 million) and Iron & steel scrap (Rs.22,651 million).

12. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities imported during December, 2022 over November, 2022 and December, 2021 is given below: -

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in December, 2022 FY2022-23 over	
		November, 2022	December, 2021
1	Petroleum products	-7.23	-8.46
2	Petroleum crude	-6.88	80.05
3	Natural Gas Liquified	15.96	-3.65
4	Palm Oil	13.63	43.24
5	Raw cotton	38.42	101.80
6	Plastic Materials	14.57	4.90
7	Iron & Steel	16.03	-19.90
8	Wheat unmilled	100.00	44.81
9	Medical products	-32.78	-86.59
10	Iron & steel scrap	-8.27	-49.24

### **BALANCE OF TRADE:**

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in December, 2022 was (-)638,496 million in terms of Rupees and (-)2,841 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - December, 2022 FY2022-23 were (-)3,790,038 million in terms of Rupees and (-)16,987 million in US dollars.

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