

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

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

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during December, 2023 amounted to Rs.799,588 million (provisional) as against Rs. 734,541 million in November, 2023 and Rs. 517,240 million during December, 2022 showing an increase of 8.86% over November, 2023 and increased by 54.59% over December, 2022.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in December, 2023 were \$ 2,822 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2, 573 million in November, 2023 showing an increase of 9.68% and increased by 22.64% as compared to \$ 2,301 million in December, 2022.

3. Exports during July – December, 2023 FY2023-24 totaled Rs. 4,300,752 million (provisional) as against Rs.3,177,893 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 35.33%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – December, 2023 FY2023-24 totaled \$ 14,991 million (provisional) against \$ 14,244 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 5.24%.

5. Main commodities of exports during December, 2023 were Rice Others (Rs.124,040 million), Knitwear (Rs. 103,898 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 84,569 million), Bed wear (Rs. 64,119 million), Cotton Cloth (Rs. 40,678 million), Cotton Yarn (Rs.26,984 million), Towels (Rs.24,814 million), Rice basmati (Rs.22,888 million), Madeup articles (excl.towels & bedwear.) (Rs.16,991 million) and Meat and meat preparations (Rs.12,472 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in December, 2023 over	
		November, 2023	December, 2022
1	Rice others	24.99	337.06
2	Knitwear	3.11	31.27
3	Readymade garments	3.18	17.91
4	Bed wear	9.23	36.87
5	Cotton cloth	3.58	11.26
6	Cotton Yarn	10.26	125.04
7	Towels	16.56	34.33
8	Rice Basmati	31.32	94.92
9	Madeup articles (excl.towels & bedwear.)	2.01	6.07
10	Meat and meat preparations	1.31	77.52

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7. Imports into Pakistan during December, 2023 amounted to Rs. 1,317,463 million (provisional) as against Rs. 1,295,968 million in November, 2023 and Rs. 1,156,237 million during December, 2022 showing an increase of 1.66% over November, 2023 and increased by 13.94% over December, 2022.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in December, 2023 were \$ 4,650 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,539 million in November, 2023 showing an increase of 2.45% but decreased by 9.60% as compared to \$ 5,144 million in December, 2022.

9. Imports during July – December, 2023 FY2023-24 totaled Rs. 7,533,700 million (provisional) as against Rs. 6,962,865 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 8.20%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July – December, 2023 FY2023-24 totaled \$ 26,266 million (provisional) as against \$ 31,209 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 15.84%.

11. Main commodities of imports during December, 2023 were Petroleum crude (Rs. 158,260 million), Petroleum products (Rs.150,888 million), Natural gas, liquified (Rs.109,516 million), Electric machinery & apparatus (Rs.63,667 million), Palm oil (Rs. 60,316 million), Plastic Materials (Rs. 52,218 million), Mobile phones (Rs.49,887 million), Iron & steel (Rs.41,654 million), Iron and steel scrap (Rs.30,426 million) and Motor cars (ckd/skd) (Rs.29,543 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in December, 2023 over	
		November, 2023	December, 2022
1	Petroleum crude	-2.00	40.02
2	Petroleum products	5.82	3.30
3	Natural Gas Liquified	32.40	33.53
4	Electrical machinery & apparatus	39.34	253.70
5	Palm oil	0.15	-24.94
6	Plastic Materials	5.26	6.67
7	Mobile phones	19.22	207.03
8	Iron & Steel	-28.21	5.22
9	Iron and steel scrap	-6.39	34.48
10	Motor cars (ckd/skd)	43.81	236.31

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in December, 2023 was (-)517,875 million in terms of Rupees and (-)1,828 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - December, 2023 FY2023-24 were (-)3,232,948 million in terms of Rupees and (-)11,275 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of December, 2023 and July – December, 2023 FY2023-24 along-with the data of previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.