

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

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

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during October, 2020 amounted to Rs. 342,539 million (provisional) as against Rs. 313,019 million (provisional) in September, 2020 and Rs. 314,928 million during October, 2019 showing an increase of 9.43% over September, 2020 and of 8.77% over October, 2019.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in October, 2020 were \$ 2,104 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,887 million (provisional) in September, 2020 showing an increase of 11.50% and by 4.21% as compared to \$ 2,019 million in October 2019.

3. Exports during July – October, 2020 totaled Rs. 1,254,813 million (provisional) as against Rs. 1,183,957 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 5.98%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – October, 2020 totaled \$ 7,576 million (provisional) against \$ 7,529 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 0.62%.

5. Main commodities of exports during October, 2020 were Knitwear (Rs. 52,549 million), Bed wear (Rs. 40,386 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 40,045 million), Cotton cloth (Rs. 27,321 million), Rice others (Rs. 14,879 million), Towels (Rs.12,804 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.11,099 million), Cotton Yarn (Rs. 9,744 million), Basmati rice (Rs. 7,807 million) and Fish & fish preparations (Rs. 7,090 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in October, 2020 over	
		September, 2020	October, 2019
1	Knitwear	6.88	22.69
2	Bed wear	7.13	19.28
3	Readymade garments	7.68	7.53
4	Cotton cloth	1.47	-2.34
5	Rice others	16.30	-4.98
6	Towels	7.97	14.86
7	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	6.63	17.26
8	Cotton yarn	6.17	-30.79
9	Basmati Rice	34.30	-20.22
10	Fish & fish preparations	13.91	-9.27

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7. Imports into Pakistan during October, 2020 amounted to Rs. 636,036 million (provisional) as against Rs. 712,600 million (provisional) in September, 2020 and Rs. 631,908 million during October 2019 showing a decrease of 10.74% over September, 2020 but an increase of 0.65% over October 2019.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in October, 2020 were \$ 3,907 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,297 million (provisional) in September, 2020 showing a decrease of 9.08% and by 3.58% as compared to \$ 4,052 million in October 2019.

9. Imports during July – October, 2020 totaled Rs. 2,517,363 million (provisional) as against Rs. 2,397,880 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 4.98%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July – October, 2020 totaled \$ 15,193 million (provisional) as against \$ 15,251 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 0.38%.

11. Main commodities of imports during October, 2020 were Petroleum products (Rs. 62,095 million), Natural gas, liquefied (Rs. 36,771 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.30,447 million), Plastic Materials (Rs. 30,291 million), Iron and Steel scrap (Rs. 26,008 million), Iron & steel (Rs.24,591 million), Wheat unmilled (Rs.18,614 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.14,907 million), Sugar (Rs.14,412 million) and Palm Oil (Rs. 13,668 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in October, 2020 over	
		September, 2020	October, 2019
1	Petroleum products	-0.35	0.80
2	Natural gas, liquefied	51.24	4.39
3	Petroleum crude	-26.26	-46.23
4	Plastic Materials	-3.06	26.20
5	Iron and steel scrap	-13.11	17.42
6	Iron and steel	-1.55	11.87
7	Wheat unmilled	21.60	100.00
8	Electrical machinery and apparatus	-24.94	-41.39
9	Sugar	604.05	47940.00
10	Palm oil	-63.58	-39.20

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in October,2020 was (-)293,497 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,803 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July – October, 2020 were (-)1,262,550 million in terms of Rupees and (-)7,617 million in US dollars.

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