

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

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

**EXPORTS:**

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during April, 2023 amounted to Rs.608,863 million (provisional) as against Rs. 664,727 million in March, 2023 and Rs.534,423 million during April, 2022 showing a decrease of 8.40% over March, 2023 but increased by 13.93% over April, 2022.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in April, 2023 were \$ 2,137 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2,372 million in March, 2023 showing a decrease of 9.91% and by 26.23% as compared to \$ 2,897 million in April, 2022.

3. Exports during July – April,2022-2023 FY2022-23 totaled Rs. 5,559,474 million (provisional) as against Rs.4,553,181 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 22.10%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – April,2022-2023 FY2022-23 totaled \$ 23,181 million (provisional) against \$ 26,247 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 11.68%.

5. Main commodities of exports during April, 2023 were Knitwear (Rs. 91,685 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 70,504 million), Bed wear (Rs. 62,129 million), Rice Others (Rs.45,153 million), Cotton Cloth (Rs. 41,799 million), Towels (Rs.22,679 million), Rice basmati (Rs.18,634 million), Cotton Yarn (Rs.18,165 million), Fish & fish preparations (Rs.14,547 million) and Madeup articles (excl.towels & bedwear.) (Rs.14,344 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in April, 2023 over	
		March, 2023	April, 2022
1	Knitwear	5.06	1.83
2	Readymade garments	-8.98	8.97
3	Bed wear	12.65	20.88
4	Rice others	-7.47	36.20
5	Cotton cloth	-5.56	7.83
6	Towels	2.73	13.54
7	Rice Basmati	-4.28	26.33
8	Cotton Yarn	-4.76	0.83
9	Fish & fish preparations	-5.08	95.57
10	Madeup articles (excl.towels & bedwear.)	2.39	-6.11

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## **IMPORTS**

7. Imports into Pakistan during April, 2023 amounted to Rs. 854,112 million (provisional) as against Rs. 1,069,317 million in March, 2023 and Rs. 1,228,815 million during April, 2022 showing a decrease of 20.13% over March, 2023 and of 30.49% over April, 2022.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in April, 2023 were \$ 2,997 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,816 million in March, 2023 showing a decrease of 21.46% and by 55.01% as compared to \$ 6,661 million in April, 2022.

9. Imports during July – April, 2022-2023 FY2022-23 totaled Rs. 11,091,956 million (provisional) as against Rs. 11,346,116 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 2.24%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July – April, 2022-2023 FY2022-23 totaled \$ 46,882 million (provisional) as against \$ 65,519 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 28.45%.

11. Main commodities of imports during April, 2023 were Petroleum products (Rs. 89,071 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.78,928 million), Natural gas, liquified (Rs.73,700 million), Palm oil (Rs. 51,310 million), Plastic Materials (Rs. 36,918 million), Raw cotton (Rs.33,683 million), Electric machinery & apparatus (Rs.33,358 million), Iron & steel (Rs.26,249 million), Medicinal products (Rs.20,304 million) and Pulses (leguminous vegetables) (Rs.17,304 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in April, 2023 over	
		March, 2023	April, 2022
1	Petroleum products	-34.33	-61.73
2	Petroleum crude	-25.31	-19.81
3	Natural Gas Liquified	-12.72	3.70
4	Palm oil	-22.47	-24.37
5	Plastic Materials	-9.34	-28.54
6	Raw cotton	-19.29	-12.58
7	Electrical machinery & apparatus	5.80	23.63
8	Iron & Steel	-21.48	-25.34
9	Medicinal products	-46.02	-19.29
10	Pulses (leguminous vegetables)	-36.24	118.91

### **BALANCE OF TRADE:**

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in April, 2023 was (-)245,249 million in terms of Rupees and (-)860 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - April,2022-2023 FY2022-23 were (-)5,532,482 million in terms of Rupees and (-)23,701 million in US dollars.

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