

Monthly External Merchandise Trade Statistics - July 2019

1. Balance of Visible Trade

Balance of Visible Trade showed a deficit of Rs 10,348 million in July 2019, higher by 40.2% compared to the previous month and lower by 17.6% compared to the corresponding month of 2018.

Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Value: Rs Mn

	2018	2019	
	July ¹	June ²	July ²
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	6,723	6,876 ¹	7,061
Domestic exports	4,786	4,449	4,541
Re-exports	1,145	1,476	1,112
Ship's Stores and Bunkers	792	951 ¹	1,408
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	19,277	14,255	17,409
Total International Trade (A + B)	26,000	21,131 ¹	24,470
Trade Deficits (A - B)	-12,554	-7,379 ¹	-10,348

¹ Revised estimates

² First Estimates

2. Total Imports of goods by S.I.T.C section

C.I.F value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2018	2019	
	July ¹	June ²	July ²
0 - Food and live animals	3,831	2,718	2,725
1 - Beverages and tobacco	313	279	239
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	397	312	360
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	3,849	2,425	3,541
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	56	61	75
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1,585	1,431	1,488
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,991	2,394	2,961
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	4,668	3,271	4,348
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,473	1,318	1,603
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	114	46	69
TOTAL	19,277	14,255	17,409

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² First Estimates

In July 2019, total imports increased by 22.1% compared to June 2019 but decreased by 9.7% compared to July 2018.

3. Total Exports of goods by S.I.T.C section

F.O.B value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2018	2019	
	July ¹	June ²	July ²
0 - Food and live animals	1,848	2,302	1,918
1 - Beverages and tobacco	33	30	41
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	62	105	66
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	45	163	36
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	15	26	10
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	282	246	280
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	821	786	794
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	302	205	236
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,521	2,055	2,269
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	2	7	3
Exports exclusive of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	5,931	5,925	5,653
Estimates of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	792	951 ¹	1,408
TOTAL	6,723	6,876	7,061

¹ Revised estimates ² First estimates

In July 2019, total exports increased by 2.7% compared to previous month and by 5.0% compared to July 2018.

4. Main trading partners in July 2019

Value: Rs Mn

Exports ¹ (F.O.B)				Imports (C.I.F)			
Country	2018	2019		Country	2018	2019	
	July ²	June ³	July ³		July ²	June ³	July ³
United States	741	565	657	China	3,153	2,281	2,822
United Kingdom	645	552	589	India	3,874	2,078	2,821
France	602	509	569	South Africa	1,390	1,255	1,164
South Africa	664	546	532	France	1,495	1,117	1,085
Madagascar	340	356	366	Singapore	64	83	898
Italy	301	369	343	U.A.E	660	582	822
Other	2,638	3,028	2,597	Other	8,641	6,859	7,797
Total	5,931	5,925	5,653	Total	19,277	14,255	17,409

¹ Excluding Ship's Stores and Bunkers ² Revised estimates ³ First Estimates

United States (11.6%), United Kingdom (10.4%) and France (10.1%) were our major exports destinations in July 2019 while our imports were mainly from China (16.2%), India (16.2%) and South Africa (6.7%).

September 2019