

Monthly External Merchandise Trade Statistics - April 2022

1. Balance of Visible Trade

Balance of Visible Trade showed a deficit of Rs 14,483 million in April 2022, lower by 12.7 % compared to the previous month and higher by 72.9 % compared to the corresponding month of 2021.

Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Value: Rs Mn

	2021	2022	
	Apr ¹	Mar ²	Apr ²
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	5,878	8,812	8,478
Domestic exports	3,908	5,732	5,043
Re-exports	1,036	1,777	1,926
Ship's Stores and Bunkers	934	1,303	1,509
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	14,254	25,408	22,961
Total International Trade (A + B)	20,132	34,220	31,439
Trade Deficit (A - B)	-8,376	-16,596	-14,483

¹ Revised figures

² Provisional

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

C.I.F value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2021	2022	
	Apr ¹	Mar ²	Apr ²
0 - Food and live animals	2,831	4,355	3,883
1 - Beverages and tobacco	271	545	320
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	314	596	543
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	2,021	6,162	6,411
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	311	441	93
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1,719	2,243	1,713
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,250	3,625	3,319
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	3,119	5,331	4,281
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,377	2,053	2,223
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	41	57	175
TOTAL	14,254	25,408	22,961

¹ Revised figures

² Provisional

In April 2022, total imports decreased by 9.6 % compared to March 2022 and increased by 61.1 % compared to April 2021.

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

F.O.B value: Rs Mn

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	2021	2022	
	Apr ¹	Mar ²	Apr ²
0 - Food and live animals	1,718	2,661	2,450
1 - Beverages and tobacco	48	91	99
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	194	247	219
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	15	-
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	54	36	21
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	276	320	352
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	783	1,199	1,260
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	159	255	281
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,712	2,682	2,256
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	-	3	31
Exports exclusive of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	4,944	7,509	6,969
Estimates of Ship's Stores and Bunkers	934	1,303	1,509
TOTAL	5,878	8,812	8,478

¹ Revised figures ² Provisional - Nil or Negligible

In April 2022, total exports decreased by 3.8% compared to March 2022 and increased by 44.2 % compared to April 2021.

4. Main trading partners in April 2022

Value: Rs Mn

Exports ¹ (F.O.B)				Imports (C.I.F)			
Country	2021	2022		Country	2021	2022	
	Apr ²	Mar ³	Apr ³		Apr ²	Mar ³	Apr ³
United Kingdom	421	618	792	Oman	70	1,798	4,097
Madagascar	417	665	714	China	2,002	4,089	3,200
United States	452	622	659	India	1,473	1,660	2,478
South Africa	751	1,237	650	U.A.E	1,617	1,604	1,875
France	435	659	600	South Africa	1,451	4,087	1,773
Viet Nam	112	306	451	France	941	1,135	1,580
Other	2,356	3,402	3,103	Other	6,700	11,035	7,958
Total	4,944	7,509	6,969	Total	14,254	25,408	22,961

¹ Excluding Ship's Stores and Bunkers ² Revised figures ³ Provisional

In April 2022, United Kingdom (11.4%), Madagascar (10.2%), United States (9.5%), South Africa (9.3%), France (8.6%) and Viet Nam (6.5%) were our major exports destinations while our imports were mainly from Oman (17.8%), China (13.9%), India (10.8%), U.A.E (8.2%), South Africa (7.7%) and France (6.9%).

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