



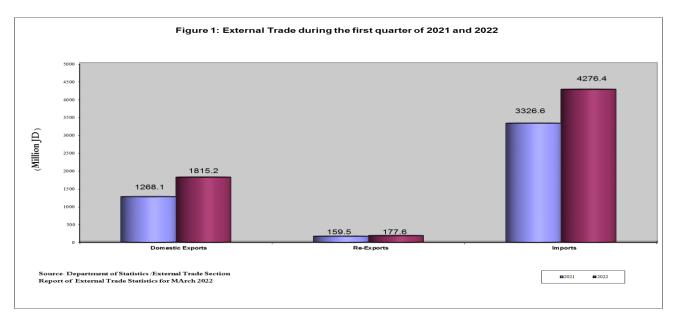
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The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

National exports Increase by 43.1% and Imports Increase by 28.6% during the first quarter of 2022 compared with the same period of 2021

The monthly report of the external trade issued by the Department of Statistics indicates that the value of total exports reached 1992.8 million JDs during the first quarter of 2022 with an increase by 39.6% compared with the same period of 2021. Meanwhile, the national exports value reached 1815.2 million JDs during the first quarter of 2022 with an increase by 43.1% compared with the same period of 2021. The value of re-exports reached 177.6 million JDs during the first quarter of 2022 with an increase by 11.3% compared with the same period of 2021. The imports value reached 4276.4 million during the first quarter of 2022 with an increase by 28.6% compared with the same period of 2021.

The deficit in the trade balance, which is calculated by deducting the value of imports from the value of total exports, has reached 2283.6 million JD; therefore, the deficit has increased during the first quarter of 2022 by 20.3% compared with the same period of 2021. The imports coverage by total exports has become 46.6% during the first quarter of 2022, while it was 42.9% for the same period of 2021, which means an increase by 3.7 percentage points.



As for commodities, the main exported items that witnessed an increase in their export value were export value of Fertilizers by 67.7%, crude potash by 163.2%, and crude phosphate by 145.1%. Meanwhile, there was a decrease in the export value of clothes and its related knitted accessories by 3.6%, pharmaceutical products by 9.6% and chemical products by 4.8%. As for imports, there was an increase in the imports value of Crude Oil and its products and mineral fuels by 49.1%, vehicles, motorcycle and their parts by 9.7%, machinery and electrical appliances and their parts by 2.8%, Plastic and its products 34.8%, Jewelry and precious metals by 107.8%. Meanwhile, there was a decrease in the Import value of machines, machinery and their parts by 2.3%.

Regarding trade with the main partners, there was an increase in the national exports to the Greater Arab Trade Zone countries by 33.5% part of which Saudi Arabia by 38.8%, the North America Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) by 5.2% part of which USA by 6.0%, the non-Arab Asian Countries by 105.7% part of which India by 109.5%, and the European Union countries by 44.2% part of which Holland by 29.2%. As for the imports, there was a noticeable increase in the imports value from the Greater Arab Trade Zone countries by 51.7% part of which KSA by 27.4%, the North America Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) by 3.6% part of which USA by 6.2%, the non-Arab Asian Countries by 30.3% part of which China by 35.0% and the European Union countries by 9.1% part of which Germany by 2.8%.

On a monthly level the value of Jordan national exports has reached 715.0 million JD during March 2022 against 466.4 million JD during the same month of 2021 representing an increase by 53.3%. The main reason behind this increase is attributed to the increase of the value of national exports of the following commodities during March 2022 compared with same month of 2021:

- 1. Nitrogenous or Chemical Fertilizers from 60.1 million JD to 71.2 million JD an increase by 18.5%.
- 2. Crude Potash from 30.2 million JD to 132.5 million JD an increase by 338.7%.
- 3. Clothes and their related accessories from 99.0 million JD to 125.1 million JD an increase by 26.4%.
- 4. Crude Phosphate from 22.0 million JD to 57.9 million JD an increase by 163.2%.

In addition, there was an increase in the value of national exports of Jewelry and precious metals, Livestock, Aluminum and its products, Electrical Equipment, machine tools, Vegetables and their products, Paper, Plastic and its products, Iron products, Cement, grains' products, Detergents, Cocoa and its products, different food products, Meat and Offal and their products, Vegetables, The residues of food industry, Mill products, Wood Paste, Furniture, Various Chemical products, Cooper and its products, Dairy products, Coffee beans and Spices. These exports constituted 84.6% of the total value of the national exports during March 2022 compared with 71.3% in the same month of 2021.

During March 2022, Data indicate a decrease in the national exports value of non-organic Chemical products by 40.4%, pharmaceutical products by 11.3% and Fruits by 40.4%.

Table 1: The most important exported and imported commodities during $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right$

The first quarter of 2021 and 2022

Value in (JD Million)

National Exports				Imports			
Commodities	*2021	*2022	Growth Average %	Commodities	*2021	*2022	Growth Average %
Clothes and their Knitted accessories	301.8	291.0	-3.6	Crude Oil and its products and mineral fuels	510.5	761.2	49.1
Fertilizers	165.5	277.6	67.7	Jewelry and Precious metals	134.8	280.1	107.8
Crude potash	101.1	266.1	163.2	Vehicles, Motorcycle and their parts	238.9	262.0	9.7
Crude Phosphate	61.2	150.0	145.1	Machines, Machinery and their parts	244.4	238.8	-2.3
Chemical Products	96.7	92.1	-4.8	Machinery, electrical appliances and their parts	181.4	186.5	2.8
Pharmaceutical products	94.6	85.5	-9.6	Plastic and its products	115.6	155.8	34.8
Other items	447.2	652.9	46.0	Other items	1901.0	2392.0	25.8
National Exports	1268.1	1815.2	43.1	Total of Imports (2)	3326.6	4276.4	28.6
Re-exports	159.5	177.6	11.3				
Sum of total Exports (1)	1427.6	1992.8	39.6	Trade Deficit (1)-(2)	-1899.0	-2283.6	20.3

 $Source: Department\ of\ Statistics\ /\ External\ Trade\ Section/\ External\ Trade\ Statistics\ Report\ during\ March\ 2022$

^{*}Preliminary figures

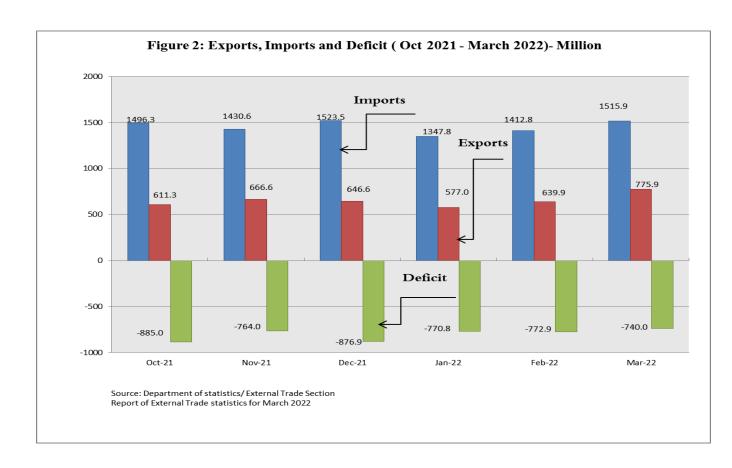
Table 2: Main Trade Partners and Economic Cartels during
The first quarter of 2021 and 2022

Value in (JD Million)

1	National Ex	ports		Imports				
Economic Cartels	*2021	*2022	Growth Average %	Economic Cartels	*2021	*2022	Growth Average %	
Greater Arab Trade Zone countries	447.0	596.9	33.5	Greater Arab Trade Zone Countries	866.7	1315.2	51.7	
Of which Saudi Arabia	130.6	181.3	38.8	Of which Saudi Arabia	499.4	636.0	27.4	
North American Free Trade Agreement Countries	357.7	376.2	5.2	North American Free Trade Agreement Countries	278.4	288.3	3.6	
Of which USA	344.3	365.1	6.0	Of which USA	245.0	260.2	6.2	
Non-Arab Asian countries	272.5	560.4	105.7	Non-Arab Asian countries	1173.5	1529.6	30.3	
Of which India	162.4	340.2	109.5	Of which China	496.1	669.8	35.0	
European Union Countries	43.7	63.0	44.2	European Union Countries	625.1	681.9	9.1	
Of which Holland	8.9	11.5	29.2	Of which Germany	141.8	145.7	2.8	
Other Economic Cartels	147.2	218.7	48.6	Other Economic Cartels	382.9	461.4	20.5	
Of which Brazil	20.7	68.7	231.9	Of which Switzerland	73.1	100.4	37.3	

Source: Department of Statistics / External Trade Section/ External Trade Statistics Report during March 2022

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