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Compilation and dissemination of Foreign Trade Statistics (FTS) is one of the core activities of Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS). Considering the importance of FTS, BBS has been compiling and publishing the FTS on annual basis since 1973-74. Since February 2007, BBS has been publishing **Monthly Advance Release** on FTS to satisfy the users' need which is an outcome of the BBS efforts towards the improvement of FTS.

This monthly release is based on the data available from National Board of Revenue (NBR) and Bangladesh Bank (BB). NBR provides export and import data on goods/ merchandise while BB provides such data on services. We are thankful to NBR and BB which have continued to help us in providing data in bringing out this publication.

Data presented in this publication are provisional and subject to revision. All these provisional data will be subsequently reviewed and revised and the revised data will be presented in the upcoming issues.

I firmly believe this Release will play a significant role as an effective market research tool to planners, policy makers, researchers, the business community and others. Comments and suggestions from users regarding any inclusion, omission or presentation of data for improvement of the Release are most welcome.

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Total Trade (Goods & Services)

In December, 2008 total exports and imports of goods and services were recorded at Tk.91.60 billion and Tk. 134.06 billion respectively resulting in a trade deficit of goods and services of Tk.42.46 billion. The exports of December, 2008 were Tk 6.73 billion lower than that of November, 2008 and the imports of December, 2008 were Tk. 63.22 billion higher than that of November, 2008.

Goods

In December, 2008, the trade deficit for goods is Tk. 32.48 billion though in November,2008 it was surplus. The exports of goods in December, 2008 have decreased 7.53% over November, 2008 and the imports of goods in December,2008 have increased 121.72% over November,08. The exports of goods in December,2008 is Tk.82.68 billion which was Tk.90.16 billion in December.,2007. The imports of goods in December,2008 is Tk.115.16 billion which was Tk.113.06 billion in December,2007.

Services

In December 2008, the trade deficit for services decreases to Tk 10.0 billion from Tk 19.3 billion in November,2008. The exports of services in December, 2008 have decreased by 32.42% over November, 2008 and the imports of services in December, 2008 have decreased by 41.85% over November, 2008. The export of services in December, 2008 is Tk.8.92 billion which was Tk.7.91 billion in December, 2007. The import of services in December, 2008 is Tk.18.9 billion which was Tk.15.28 billion in December, 2007.

Three months moving Average of exports and imports

For the three months ending in November, 2008, the moving average of exports of goods and services was Tk.87.40 billion, while the moving average of imports of goods and services was Tk.131.28 billion resulting in an average trade deficit of Tk.43.88 billion. For the three months ending in October, 2008, the average trade deficit was Tk.86.42 billion, reflecting average exports of Tk 94.01 billion and average imports of Tk 155.45 billion.

Table 1. Export, Import and Trade deficits

(Billion Taka)

Period	Export			Import			Trade deficits		
	Total	Goods	Services	Total	Goods	Services	Total	Goods	Services
2007-08	1087.06	963.79	123.27	1727.04	1496.72	230.32	-639.98	-532.93	-107.05
<u>2008-09</u>									
Aug.08	109.72	93.07	16.65	174.03	136.75	37.28	-64.31	-43.68	-20.63
Sept.08	111.20	101.04	10.16	206.59	173.84	32.75	-95.39	-72.8	-22.59
Oct.08	68.23	59.72	8.51	175.33	150.82	24.51	-107.1	-91.1	-16.0
Nov.08	102.61	89.41	13.20	84.44	51.94	32.50	18.17	37.47	-19.3
Dec.08	91.60	82.68	8.92	134.06	115.16	18.9	-42.46	-32.48	-9.98

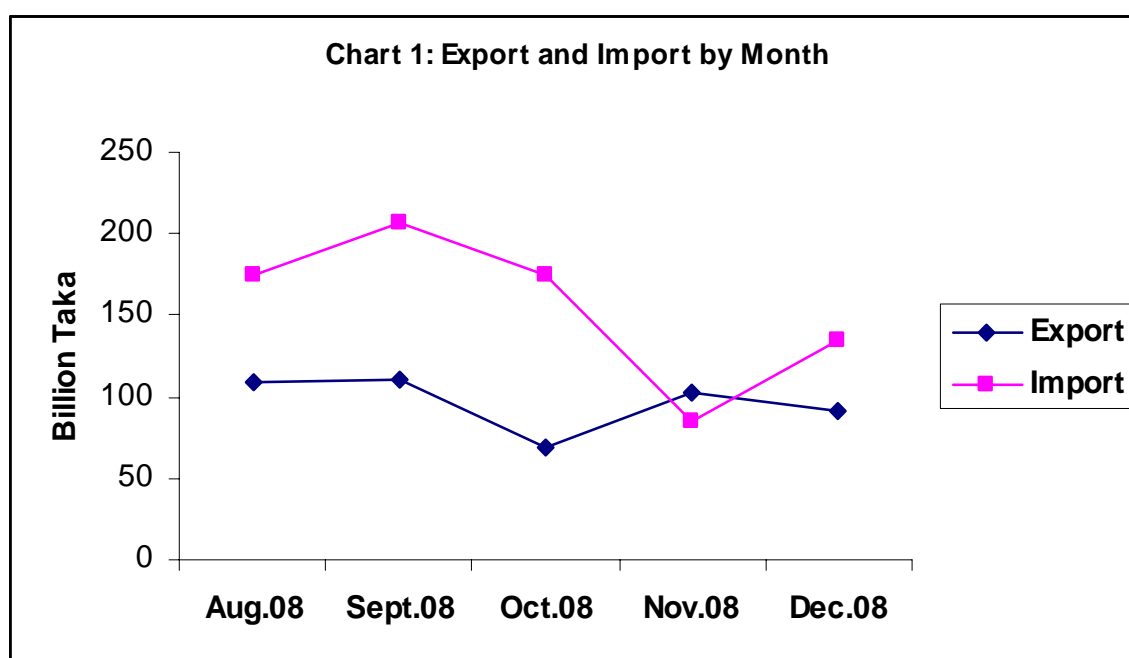


Table 2: Export, Import and Trade deficits

(Million U.S. \$)

Period	Export			Import			Trade deficits		
	Total	Goods	Service	Total	Goods	Service	Total	Goods	Service
2007-08	15864.8	14065.8	1799.0	25205.0	21843.6	3361.4	-9358.2	-7777.8	-1562.4
<u>2008-09</u>									
July.08	1648.2	1518.2	130.0	2721.1	2416.1	305.0	-1072.9	-897.9	-175.0
Aug.08	1601.2	1358.2	243.0	2539.8	1995.8	544.0	-938.6	-637.6	-301.0
Sept.08	1619.8	1471.8	148.0	3009.3	2532.3	477.0	-1389.5	-1060.5	-329.0
Oct.08	994.0	870.0	124.0	2554.0	2197.0	357.0	-1560.0	-1327.0	-233.0
Nov.08	1495.7	1303.3	192.4	1230.9	757.1	473.8	264.8	546.2	-281.4
Dec.08	1335.1	1205.1	130.0	1954.5	1678.5	276.0	-619.4	-473.4	-146.0

Table 3. Percent Change from Prior Month (Goods)

(Million Taka)

Items	2008-09		Percent Change from prior Month
	November	December	
1. Export (Commodities)	89407.00	82679.93	-7.52
of which			
a. Ready made Garments	71240.71	68999.59	-3.15
b. Made up textile article	3101.99	2785.38	-10.21
c. Vegetable textile fibre/yarn	2650.68	1612.14	-39.18
d.. Shrimps & Prawns (Frozen)	2263.99	1418.32	-37.35
e. Footwear	1006.94	959.74	-4.69
f. Raw hides, skins & leathers	1452.39	876.03	-39.68
g. Petroleum Bituminus/Coke & other residue	140.67	616.25	338.08
h. Special woven fabrics	770.59	605.53	-21.42
i. Ships boat and floating structure	12.53	418.90	3243.18
j. Hats and other head gear	429.85	407.20	-5.27
k. Others	5326.00	3980.85	-37.18
2. Import (Commodities)	51936.38	115159.16	121.73
of which			
a. Electrical Machinery	6239.53	11805.01	89.20
b. Machinery & parts	5694.08	11242.86	97.45
c. Soya bean and Palm oil	3897.26	9540.28	144.79
d. Ships boat and floating structure	-	6920.38	-
e. Raw cotton	2282.07	6082.21	166.52
f. Fertilizer	4477.40	5174.13	15.56
g. Iron and steel	2676.91	4566.78	70.60
h. Woven fabrics of cotton	1159.14	4496.50	287.92
i. Cotton fabrics 85-200-GSM	1055.60	3855.02	265.20
j. Man-made staple fibres	1302.42	3747.35	187.72
k. Others	20874.62	47728.64	106.15
3. Trade balance(1-2)	37470.62	-32479.23	-13.32



Table 4. Point to Point Percent change in External Trade (Goods)

(Million Taka)

Items	October-December			December		
	2007	2008	Change in Percent	2007	2008	Change in Percent
1. Export(Commodities)	239633	231812	-3.26	90163	82680	-8.30
2. Import (Commodities)	325998	317917	-2.48	113062	115159	1.85
3. Trade balance(1-2)	-86365	-86105	-0.30	-22899	-32479	41.84

Table 5. Top Trading Partners – Total Trade (Goods), 2007-08

(Million Taka)

Country	Exports	Imports	Total	Rank	Percent of Total Trade
USA	251465	52084	303549	1	12.23
China	8573	268890	277463	2	11.18
India	21556	206664	225526	3	9.08
Germany	149852	25338	175190	4	7.06
UK	94579	9888	104467	5	4.21
Kuwait	668	87264	87932	6	3.54
Indonesia	2173	84083	86256	7	3.47
Japan	12511	71236	83747	8	3.37
France	66126	13067	79193	9	3.19
Italy	40009	21191	61200	10	2.47

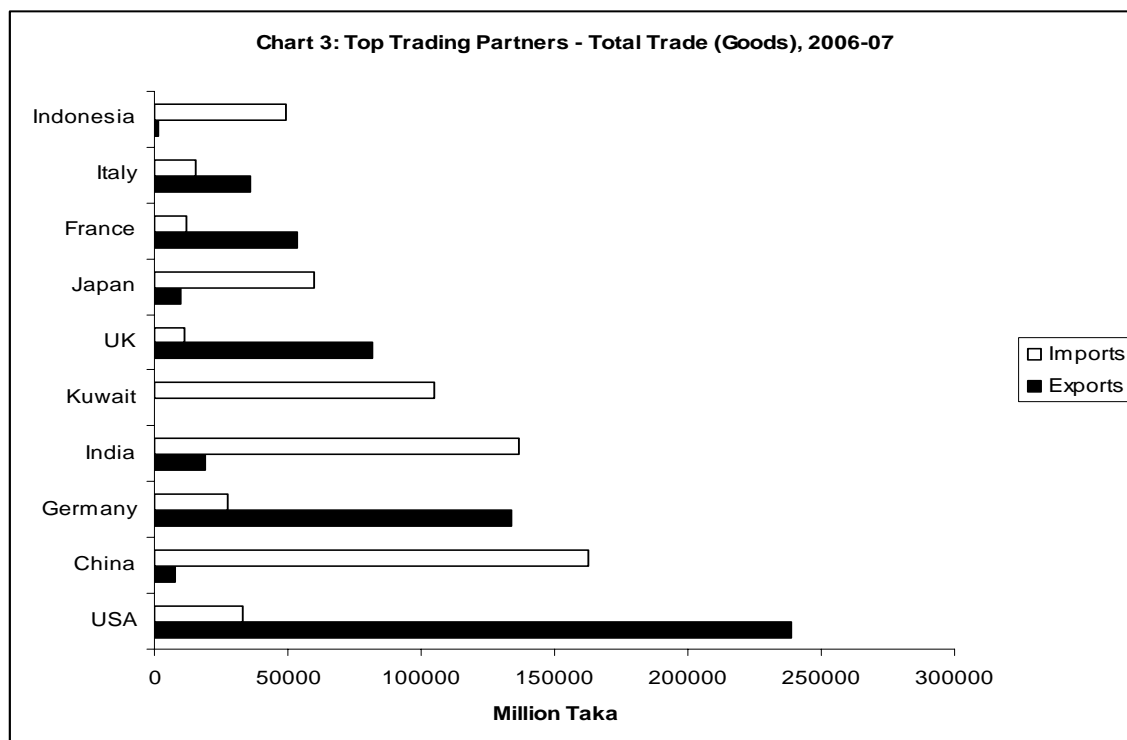
Chart 3: Top Trading Partners - Total Trade (Goods), 2006-07

Table 7. Top Trading Partners – Exports (Goods), 2007-08

(Million Taka)

Country	Export	Rank	Percent of Total Trade
<u>Top 10 Countries</u>			
USA	251465	1	25.50
Germany	149852	2	15.20
UK	94579	3	9.59
France	66126	4	6.71
Netherlands	45231	5	4.59
Spain	41153	6	4.17
Italy	40009	7	4.06
Belgium	36896	8	3.74
Canada	36771	9	3.73
India	21556	10	2.19

Table 7. Top Trading Partners – Imports (Goods), 2007-08

(Million Taka)

Country	Import	Rank	Percent of Total Trade
<u>Top 10 Countries</u>			
China	268890	1	17.97
India	206664	2	13.81
Kuwait	87264	3	5.83
Indonesia	84083	4	5.62
Japan	71236	5	4.76
Rep. of Korea	54461	6	3.64
USA	52084	7	3.48
Malaysia	48820	8	3.26
Thailand	45689	9	3.05
Uzbekistan	44196	10	2.95

Table 8. Monthly Merchandise Exports (2 digit HS code)

(Million Taka)

HS Chapter	Commodities	2008-09		Percentage change From Prior Month
		Nov.	Dec.	
1	Live animals	-	-	-
2	Meat and edible meat offal	-	-	-
3	Fishes, crustacean and other aquatic	2682.68	1826.18	-31.93
4	Dairy produces edible product of animal origin.	1.87	0.376	-79.89
5	Products of animal origin	10.9	22.44	105.87
6	Live tree and other plants etc.	205.41	159.79	-22.21
7	Edible vegetables, roots as tubers	165.95	124.52	-24.97
8	Edible fruits and nuts citrus fruits	16.97	51.6	204.07
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	100.77	69.75	-30.78
10	Cereals	40.44	16.89	-58.23
11	Product of milling industry : malt etc.	1.11	1.11	0.00
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	23.64	3.81	-83.88
13	Lac, gum resin vegetable sap/ extract	-	-	-
14	Vegetable plaiting materials	1.72	1.28	-25.58
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils	24.47	33.82	38.21
16	Prepared of meat or fish etc.	6.47	23.46	262.60
17	Sugar and sugar confectionery	3.52	1.2	-65.91
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	-	-	-
19	Prepared of cereals, flour, starch etc.	57.99	44.37	-23.49
20	Prepared of vegetable fruits, nuts, etc.	60.65	52.15	-14.01
21	Misc. edible preparations	2.58	0.62	-75.97
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	3.34	1.85	-44.61
23	Residues & waste from the food industry	14.34	19.58	36.54
24	Tobacco mfg tobacco substitutes	240.64	87.64	-63.58
25	Salt, sulphur, etc. and plastering metals stone cement	14.23	12.64	-11.17
26	Ores, slag and ash	-	-	-
27	Mineral, fuels/oils etc.	171.7	616.25	258.91
28	Inorganic. chem.: compounds of specious metals etc.	629.08	41.48	-93.41
29	Organic chemicals	10.15	-	-
30	Pharmaceutical products	208.39	184.27	-11.57
31	Fertilizers	535.25	-	-
32	Tanning/dyeing ext; dye pigments etc.	3.68	4.76	29.35
33	Essential Oils, perfumery/toilet pre.	0.26	9.09	3396.15

Table 8. Monthly Merchandise Exports (2 digit HS code)

(Million Taka)

HS Chapter	Commodities	2008-09		Percentage change From Prior Month
		Nov.	Dec.	
34	Soap, organic Surface-active agents etc.	1.17	0.61	-47.86
35	Albuminoidal substitute starches, glues etc.	11.54	3.75	-67.50
36	Explosive Pyrotechnic Products	-	6.78	-
37	Photographic/cinematographic goods	-	-	-
38	Miscellaneous chem. products	9.76	6.61	-32.27
39	Plastics and articles thereof	226.86	206.49	-8.98
40	Rubber and articles thereof	23.27	19.94	-14.31
41	Raw hides & skins, leather	1452.39	876.03	-39.68
42	Art of saddlery & harness etc.	107.59	56.56	-47.43
43	Fur skins & artificial fur. Mfg.	-	0.17	-
44	Wood & art. of wood; wood charcoal	4.72	5.37	13.77
45	Cork and articles of cork	-	-	-
46	Manufactures of straw etc.	29.37	13.37	-54.48
47	Pulp/ wood/fibrous cellulose materials etc.	-	0.32	-
48	Paper & paper board; art. P. pulp etc.	140.31	85.13	-39.33
49	Printed books, news papers, pictures etc.	23.66	12.42	-47.51
50	Silk	2.18	-	-
51	Wool, fine/coarse animal hair etc.	1.45	12.21	742.07
52	Cotton	473.08	377.2	-20.27
53	Other vegetable, textile fibres, paper/yarn etc.	2650.07	1612.14	-39.17
54	Man-made filaments	97.46	103.43	6.13
55	Man-made staple fibres	82.52	31.92	-61.32
56	Wadding felts nonwovens, special yarn etc.	307.32	214.71	-30.13
57	Carpet other text. floor coverings	25.54	12.44	-51.29
58	Special woven fabrics, tufted tex.fabrics etc.	770.59	605.53	-21.42
59	Impregnated, coated, textile fabrics etc.	36.2	53.55	47.93
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	160.21	80.9	-49.50
61	Article of apparel clothing accessories knit / crocheted	37701.71	34610.04	-8.20
62	Article of apparel clothing accessories. n-knit/	33539	34389.55	2.54
63	Other made up textile articles etc.	3101.99	2785.38	-10.21
64	Footwear, gaiter & like etc.	1006.94	959.74	-4.69
65	Headgear and parts thereof	429.85	407.2	-5.27
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walk sticks etc.	-	-	-

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(Million Taka)

HS Chapter	Commodities	2008-09		Percentage change From Prior Month
		Nov.	Dec.	
67	Prepared feathers & down/articles etc.	1.62	0.75	-53.70
68	Art of stone, plastic, cement etc.	0.01	0.15	1400.00
69	Ceramic products	173.48	181	4.33
70	Glass and glassware	13.81	18.89	36.78
71	Natural/culture pearls & precious stones etc.	4.91	-	-
72	Iron or steel	134.69	9.61	-92.87
73	Articles of iron or steel	36.85	29.68	-19.46
74	Copper and articles thereof	23.35	3.96	-83.04
76	Aluminum and article thereof	2.45	0.71	-71.02
78	Lead and articles thereof	-	-	-
79	Zinc and articles thereof	0.49	2.41	391.84
80	Tin and articles thereof	-	-	-
81	Other base metals, cermets etc.	-	-	-
82	Tools, implements, cutlery etc.	2.39	13.64	470.71
83	Miscellaneous art of base metal.	6.53	-	-
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers etc.	268.75	227.21	-15.46
85	Electrical mach. & equipment, parts etc.	216.97	91.25	-57.94
86	Rail/tramway locomotives etc.	-	4.07	-
87	Vehicles, other than rail/tram way's & parts etc.	240.74	231.69	-3.76
88	Aircraft, space craft and parts.	107.64	268.96	149.87
89	Ships, boats & floating structures	12.53	418.9	3243.18
90	Optical, photograph, cinematograph. Medical inst. etc.	110.22	97.06	-11.94
91	Clocks & watches & parts.	1.45	2.6	79.31
92	Musical /instruments and parts etc.	0.02	-	-
93	Arms, & ammunition and parts & accessories	-	-	-
94	Furniture, bedding, mattresses etc.	30.71	22.98	-25.17
95	Toys, games & sports requisites & parts etc.	51.44	56.72	10.26
96	Miscellaneous mfg. articles	50.29	35.71	-28.99
97	Works/ art, collectors & antiques	0.11	1.22	1009.09
98	Miscellaneous national provisions	-	-	-
	Total	89146.40	82679.93	59.19

Table 9. Monthly Export of major commodities (4 digits)

(Million Taka)

HS Code	Commodities	2008-09		Percent change from prior month
		Nov.	Dec.	
0303	Fish frozen	246.89	274.04	11.00
0304	Fish fillet, other fish meal	22.85	8.61	-62.32
0305	Fish dried	34.83	47.55	36.52
0306	Shrimps & prawns frozen	2263.99	1418.32	-37.35
0307	Molluscs	42.66	20.24	-52.56
0506	Bone and horn- cores	2.14	3.36	57.01
0709	Vegetable fresh, chilled other	153.7	113.59	-26.10
0902	Tea	55.64	46.02	-17.29
1006	Rice	40.44	16.89	-58.23
2401	Un-manufactured tobacco	231.37	72.01	-68.88
2710	Naphtha	140.67	151.23	7.51
3003-3004	Pharmaceutical product	202.68	182.52	-9.95
3901-3926	Plastic & articles thereof	226.87	206.49	-8.98
4102	Raw hides & skin of sheep's or lambs	-	-	
4103	Raw hides and skin other	5.63	6.34	12.61
4104	Tanned or crust hides and skin of bobbin	582.25	302.67	-48.02
4105	Tanned or crust skins of sheep or lambs	-	4.36	
4106	Tanned or crust hides and skins or other animals	150.67	102.61	-31.90
4107	Leather hole hides and skins or crusting	650.21	422.19	-35.07
4113	Leather further prepared after tanning or crusting including parchment-dressed leather of other animals	61.44	34.48	-43.88
4202	Trunks, suit-case, vanity-cases, brief cases, and other	60.77	42.76	-29.64
4602	Basket work, wicker work, and other articles	29.37	13.37	-54.48
5303	Jute and other textile bast fibres, raw or retted	1479.89	677.06	-54.25
5307	Jute yarn	1111.16	755.18	-32.04
5310	Woven fabrics and jutes or of other textile bast fibres	258.36	179.54	-30.51
5607	Jute twine, cordage, roofs and cables	122.28	112.38	-8.10
6101-6117	Readymade garments men's women's and girls knitted and crocheted	37701.71	34610.04	-8.20
6201-6217	Readymade garments men's women's and girls not knitted and crocheted	33539	34389.55	2.54
6305	Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods	903.29	600.1	-33.57
6401-6406	Foot ware with outer soles and uppers of rubber or of plastics and other	996.94	959.74	-3.73
6505	Heads and other headgear, knitted or crocheted	422.76	402.11	-4.88
	Total	81740.5	76175.4	-6.81

Table 10. Monthly Merchandise import (2 digit HS Code)**(Million Taka)**

HS Chapter	Commodities	2008-09		Percent change from prior month
		Nov.	Dec.	
1	Live animals	22.92	41.64	81.68
2	Meat and edible meat offal	1.77	1.44	-18.64
3	Fishes, crustacean and other aquatic	3.96	15.85	300.25
4	Dairy produces edible product of animal origin.	226.3	468.45	107.00
5	Products of animal origin	0.05	6.03	11960.00
6	Live tree and other plants etc.	0.46	1.31	184.78
7	Edible vegetables, roots as tubers	443.29	535.2	20.73
8	Edible fruits and nuts citrus fruits	116.84	378.19	223.68
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	151.22	159.46	5.45
10	Cereals	1577.51	3037.92	92.58
11	Product of milling industry: malt etc.	35.36	102.86	190.89
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	178.01	234.81	31.91
13	Lac, gums, resins , vegetable saps & extra	12.81	6.43	-49.80
14	Vegetable plaiting materials	4.15	2.24	-46.02
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils	3970.86	9729.2	145.01
16	Preparations of meat or fish etc.	4.32	3.85	-10.88
17	Sugar and sugar confectionery	656	921.14	40.42
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparation	3.41	2.96	-13.20
19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch etc.	52.35	102.75	96.28
20	Preparations of vegetable, fruits, nuts, etc.	18.38	27.37	48.91
21	Misc. edible preparations	54.86	107.92	96.72
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	22.15	43.86	98.01
23	Residues & waste from the food industries	130.18	442.21	239.69
24	Tobacco mfg tobacco substitutes	53.02	22.01	-58.49
25	Salt, sulphur, etc. and plastering metals stone cement	568.5	2212.55	289.19
26	Ores, slag and ash	28.98	19.71	-31.99
27	Mineral, fuels/oils etc.	2230.86	1651.68	-25.96
28	Inorganic. Chem.: compounds of specious metals etc.	422.87	868	105.26
29	Organic Chemicals	1154.08	1774.58	53.77
30	Pharmaceutical products	991.01	132.79	-86.60
31	Fertilizers	4477.4	5174.13	15.56
32	Tanning/dyeing ext; dye pigments etc.	600.6	1281.85	113.43
33	Essential Oils, perfumery/toilet pre.	158.31	227.87	43.94

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HS Chapter	Commodities	2008-09		Percent change from prior month
		Nov.	Dec.	
34	Soap, organic surface-active agents etc.	272.99	411.46	50.72
35	Albuminoidal substitute starches, glues etc.	75.01	162.37	116.46
36	Explosives pyrotechnic products etc.	0.18	46.29	25616.67
37	Photographic/cinematographic goods	41.65	79.76	91.50
38	Miscellaneous chem. products	476.1	1845.54	287.64
39	Plastics and articles thereof	1183.45	3460.69	192.42
40	Rubber and articles thereof	358.27	760.08	112.15
41	Raw hides & skins, leather	165.65	250.33	51.12
42	Art of saddlery & harness etc.	54.01	65.67	21.59
43	Fur skins & artificial fur. Mfg.	0.04	0.77	1825.00
44	Wood & art. of wood; wood charcoal	185.72	347.97	87.36
45	Cork and articles of cork	0.47	5.82	1138.30
46	Manufactures of straw etc.	0.16	0.19	18.75
47	Pulp/ wood/fibrous cellulosic materials etc.	79.43	596.54	651.03
48	Paper & paper board; art. Paper pulps etc.	802.49	1802.12	124.57
49	Printed Book, News paper & picture	65.64	164.35	150.38
50	Silk	39.39	47.27	20.01
51	Wool, fine/coarse animal hair etc.	25.42	100.13	293.90
52	Cotton	5697.79	19491.67	242.09
53	Other vegetable, textile fibres, paper/yarn etc.	0.02	40.8	203900.00
54	Man-made filaments	460.69	2251.07	388.63
55	Man-made staple fibres	1302.42	3747.35	187.72
56	Wadding felts non-wovens, special yarn etc.	49.9	63.01	26.27
57	Carpet other text. floor coverings	11.01	7.44	-32.43
58	Special woven fabrics, tufted textile fabrics etc.	162.86	318.77	95.73
59	Impregnated, coated, textile fabrics etc.	82.05	330.45	302.74
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	200.24	1118.23	458.44
61	Article of apparel clothing accessories knit /crocht.	38.93	30.3	-22.17
62	Article of apparel clothing accessories n-knit/crocht.	1129.29	3331.61	195.02
63	Other made up textile articles etc.	20.35	104.35	412.78
64	Footwear, gaiter & like etc.	151.92	225.97	48.74
65	Headgear and parts thereof	0.82	8.19	898.78
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walk sticks etc.	7.06	7.74	9.63

Table 10. Monthly Merchandise import (2 digit HS Code)**(Million Taka)**

HS Chapter	Commodities	2008-09		Percent change from prior month
		Nov.	Dec.	
67	Prepared feathers & down/articles etc.	0.78	5.57	614.10
68	Art of stone, plastic, cement etc.	30.49	111.17	264.61
69	Ceramic products	55.19	140.05	153.76
70	Glass and glassware	125.57	195.46	55.66
71	Natural/culture pearls & precious stones etc/	47.84	70.8	47.99
72	Iron or steel	2676.91	4566.78	70.60
73	Articles of iron or steel	516.52	699.03	35.33
74	Copper and articles thereof	347.85	470.34	35.21
75	Nickel and articles thereof	12.81	4.37	-65.89
76	Aluminum and article thereof	442.26	547.2	23.73
78	Lead and articles thereof	-	128.83	-
79	Zinc and articles thereof	13.14	182.05	1285.46
80	Tin and articles thereof	-	11.26	-
81	Other base metals, cermets etc.	7.49	6.39	-14.69
82	Tools, implements, cutlery etc.	65.41	71.82	9.80
83	Miscellaneous art of base metal.	83.32	115.75	38.92
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers etc.	5694.08	11242.86	97.45
85	Electrical mach. & equipment, parts etc.	6239.52	11805.01	89.20
86	Rail/tramway locomotives etc.	12.8	38.1	197.66
87	Vehicles, other than rail/tram way's & parts etc.	2097.69	3117.1	48.60
88	Aircraft, space craft and parts.	49.93	211.59	323.77
89	Ships, boats & floating structures	-	6920.38	-
90	Optical, photograph. Cinematograph Medical inst. etc.	1165.08	1325.03	13.73
91	Clocks & watches & parts.	19.72	21.05	6.74
92	Musical /instruments and parts etc.	0.82	2.13	159.76
93	Arms, & ammunition and parts & accessories	0.02	126.91	634450.00
94	Furniture, bedding, mattresses etc.	150.7	155.07	2.90
95	Toys, games & sports requisites & parts etc.	66.74	93.63	40.29
96	Miscellaneous mfg. articles	497.51	580.39	16.66
97	Works/ art, collectors & antiques	1.85	0.21	-88.65
98	Miscellaneous national provisions	0.14	-	-
	Total	51936.39	115159.16	121.73

Table11. Monthly import of major commodities (4 digits)

(Million Taka)

HS Code	Commodities	2008-09		Percent change from prior month
		Nov.	Dec.	
401	Milk & cream	0.47	0.47	0.00
703	Onion & Garlic	391.31	310.23	-20.72
713	Dried leguminous vegetable	1.38	222.08	15992.75
804	Dates	1.51	9.97	560.26
806	Grapes	13.06	32.36	147.78
808	Apples	47.69	214.38	349.53
904	Pepper	4.03	5.31	31.76
1001	Wheat	1298.06	2138.03	64.71
1006	Rice	162.19	865.74	433.78
1108	Starches	26.05	70.52	170.71
1201-1212	Oil seeds	178.01	234.81	31.91
1507	Soyabean oil	1372.76	1967.99	43.36
1511	Palm Oil	2524.5	7572.29	199.95
1701	Sugar	641.12	880.2	37.29
2401	Un-manufactured tobacco	49.95	21.8	-56.36
2523	Cement	16.02	1858.93	11503.81
2710	Petroleum product	2149.85	1240.84	-42.28
2801-2851	In organic Chemicals	421.73	868	105.82
2901-2942	Organic Chemicals	1124.08	1774.58	57.87
3101-3105	Fertilizers	4477.4	5173.94	15.56
3201-3215	Tanning & dyeing	600.6	1281.5	113.37
3801-3825	Chemical product	476.1	1845.54	287.64
3901-3926	Plastic & articles thereof	1183.45	3460.69	192.42
4801-4823	Paper & paper board	802.49	1802.12	124.57
5201-5203	Raw cotton	2308.95	8300.56	259.50
5205-5207	Cotton yarn	767.15	3110.21	305.42
5208-5212	Cotton fabric	2493.23	10041.08	302.73
5402-5406	Synthetic yarn	124.87	735.53	489.04
5407-5408	Synthetic fabric	277.36	1206.04	334.83
5504-5507	Staple fibre	43.49	59.03	35.73
5509-5511	Yarn of staple fibre	175.52	570.01	224.76
5512-5516	Fabric of staple fibre	610	2337.27	283.16
7201-7229	Iron & steel	2676.91	4566.78	70.60
7301-7326	Article of iron & steel	516.52	699.03	35.33
7601-7616	Aluminum & article thereof	442.26	547.2	23.73
8402-8485	Machinery & parts	5681.98	11238.76	97.80
8501-8548	Electrical goods	6239.52	11805.01	89.20
8607-8609	Rail, tramway, locomotive	12.8	38.1	197.66
8701-8716	Vehicle	2097.69	3117.1	48.60
#####	Ships, boat, floating structure	-	6920.38	
9001-9033	Optical, Photo, Cinema etc.	1165.08	1325.03	13.73
	Total	43597.14	100469.79	130.45