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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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Director

Table 1: Export, Import and Trade deficits.

(Billion Taka)

Period	Export			Import			Trade deficits		
	Total	Goods	Services	Total	Goods	Services	Total	Goods	Services
2003-04	496.68	437.09	59.59	733.76	630.36	103.40	-237.08	-193.27	-43.81
2004-05	607.89	532.83	75.06	894.82	769.95	124.87	-286.93	-237.12	-49.81
2005-06	781.64	691.95	89.69	1117.74	962.34	155.40	-336.10	-270.39	-65.71
2006-07	945.31	850.31	95.00	1303.46	1118.66	184.8	-358.14	-268.35	-89.8
2007-08									
Feb.08	92.50	84.89	7.61	138.26	120.78	17.48	-45.78	-35.89	-9.87
Mar.08	103.64	86.15	17.49	156.59	134.58	22.01	-52.95	-48.42	-4.52
Apr.08	92.56	84.34	8.22	177.28	154.68	22.60	-84.72	-70.30	-14.38
May.08	101.91	87.72	14.19	173.01	152.58	20.43	-71.10	-64.86	-6.24
June.08	118.50	99.64	18.86	179.20	156.16	23.04	-60.70	-56.52	-4.18

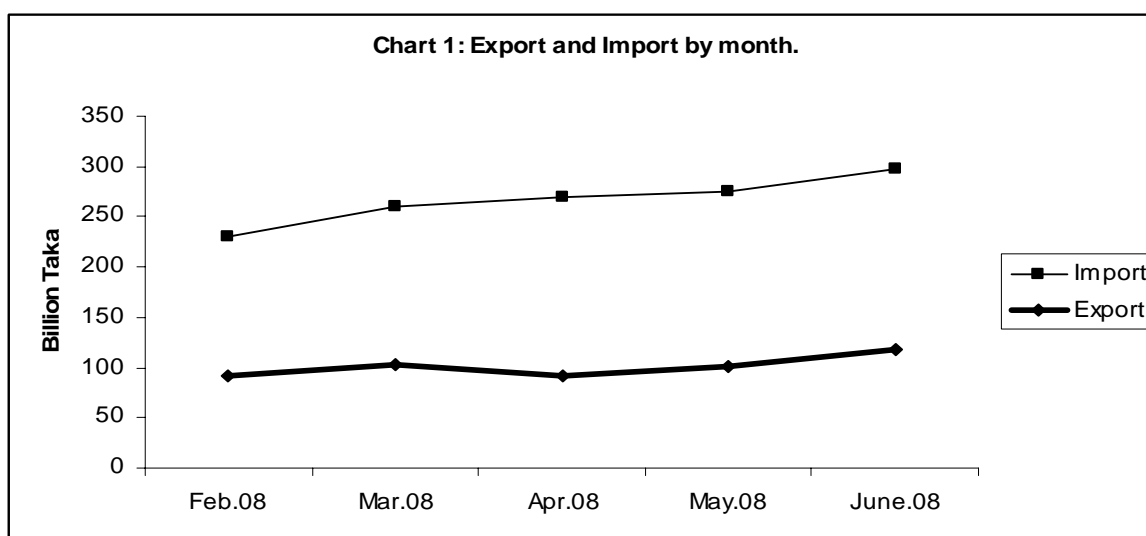


Table 2: Export, Import and Trade deficits

(Million U.S. \$)

Period	Export			Import			Trade deficits		
	Total	Goods	Serv.	Total	Goods	Serv.	Total	Goods	Serv.
2003-04	8427.0	7416.0	1011.0	12449.9	10695.0	1754.9	-4022.9	-3279	-743.9
2004-05	9902.1	8679.4	1222.7	14576.1	12542.0	2034.1	-4674	-3862.6	-811.4
2005-06	11652.0	10315.0	1337.0	16662.8	14346.2	2316.6	-5010.8	-4031.2	-979.6
2006-07	13785.9	12400.5	1385.4	19009.2	16314.2	2695.0	-5223.3	-3913.7	-1309.6
2007-08									
Feb.08	1349.0	1238.0	111.0	2016.4	1761.4	255.0	-667.4	-523.4	-144.0
Mar.08	1511.2	1256.2	255.0	2283.4	1962.4	321.0	-772.2	-706.2	-66.0
Apr.08	1349.9	1229.9	120.0	2585.5	2255.5	330.0	-1235.6	-1355.6	-210.0
May.08	1486.6	1279.6	207.0	2523.9	2225.9	298.0	-1037.3	-946.3	-91.0
June.08	1727.9	1452.9	275.0	2613.1	2277.1	336.0	-885.2	-824.2	-61.0

Table 3: Monthly merchandise exports (2 digit HS code)

Million Taka

HS	Commodities	2007-08	Percent
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Chapter		May	June	change from prior month
1	Live animals	-	-	-
2	Meat and edible meat offal	2.85	-	-
3	Fishes, crustacean and other aquatic	2851.85	2728.31	-4.33
4	Dairy produces edible product of animal origin.	0.17	0.08	-52.94
5	Products of animal origin	30.28	19.17	-36.69
6	Live tree and other plants etc.	162.41	195.29	20.25
7	Edible vegetables, roots as tubers	318.21	440.33	38.38
8	Edible fruits and nuts citrus fruits	84.43	146.69	73.74
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	55.5	238.58	329.87
10	Cereals	30	131.11	337.03
11	Product of milling industry : malt etc.	2.19	-	-
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	1.36	1.28	-5.88
13	Lac, gum resin veg sap/ extract	-	-	-
14	Vegetable plaiting materials	0.66	0.5	-24.24
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils	24.31	94	286.67
16	Prepared of meat or fish etc.	11.68	17.93	53.51
17	Sugar and sugar confectionery	3.6	0.27	-92.50
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	0.36	-	-
19	Prepared of cereals, flour, starch etc.	130.17	189.23	45.37
20	Prepared of vegetable fruits, nuts, etc.	35.18	71.22	102.44
21	Misc. edible preparations	3.27	5.62	71.87
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	15.24	12.72	-16.54
23	Residues & waste from the food industry	27.36	52.88	93.27
24	Tobacco mfg tobacco substitutes	70.75	208.92	195.29
25	Salt, sulphur, etc. and plastering metals stone cement	9.29	15	61.46
26	Ores, slag and ash	12.78	20.13	57.51
27	Mineral, fuels/oils etc.	1581.93	1692.47	6.99
28	Inorganic. chem.: compounds of specious metals etc.	368.26	491.58	33.49
29	Organic chemicals	1.31	1.23	-6.11
30	Pharmaceutical products	223.94	225.15	0.54
31	Fertilizers	457.68	1235.3	169.90
32	Tanning/dyeing ext; dye pigments etc.	1.95	3.06	56.92
33	Essential Oils, perfumery/toilet pre.	12.33	1.12	-90.92
34	Soap, orga. Surface-active agents etc.	15.18	1.96	-87.088274

Table 3: Monthly merchandise exports (2 digit HS code)

Million Taka

HS Chapter	Commodities	2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		May	June	
35	Albuminoidal subst. starches, glues etc.	7.5	2.89	-61.47
36	Explosives pyrotechnic products etc.	30	-	-
37	Photographic/cinematographic goods	12.94	-	-
38	Miscellaneous chem. products	2.49	1.91	-23.29
39	Plastics and articles thereof	429.03	359.64	-16.17
40	Rubber and articles thereof	12.93	17.86	38.13
41	Raw hides & skins, leather	1708.87	1554.86	-9.01
42	Art of saddlery & harness etc.	54.71	80.1	46.41
43	Fur skins & artificial fur. Mfg.	-	-	-
44	Wood & art. of wood; wood charcoal	21.7	15	-30.88
45	Cork and articles of cork	-	-	-
46	Manufactures of straw etc.	39.87	28.43	-28.69
47	Pulp/ wood/fibrous cellulose materials etc.	-	1.64	-
48	Paper & paper board; art. P. pulp etc.	112.37	103.57	-7.83
49	Printed books, news papers, pictures etc.	460.58	132.12	-71.31
50	Silk	-	-	-
51	Wool, fine/coarse animal hair etc.	1.93	-	-
52	Cotton	325.33	449.43	38.15
53	Other veg. tex. fibres, paper/yarn etc.	2674.7	2178.93	-18.54
54	Man-made filaments	119.92	86.15	-28.16
55	Man-made staple fibres	191.92	161.42	-15.89
56	Wadding felts nonwovens, speci. yarn etc.	237.67	269.78	13.51
57	Carpet other text. floor coverings	42.01	42.16	0.36
58	Special woven fab; tufted tex.fabrics etc.	625.03	641.82	2.69
59	Impregnated, coated, tex fab. etc.	39.93	44.19	10.67
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	91.8	114.42	24.64
61	Art. of aprl. Cloth acsor. knit/crocht.	36816.35	41466.7	12.63
62	Art. of aprl. cloth acsor. n-knit/ crocht	30306.3	36886.04	21.71
63	Other made up tex. articles etc.	2752.74	2474.47	-10.11
64	Footwear, gaiter & like etc.	934.49	1216.07	30.13
65	Headgear and parts thereof	568.45	526.33	-7.41
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walk sticks etc.	-	0.03	-
67	Prepared feathers & down/articles etc.	1.21	1.71	41.32

Table 3: Monthly merchandise exports (2 digit HS code)

Million Taka

HS Chapter	Commodities	2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		May	June	
68	Art of stone, plastic, cement etc.	5.62	11.92	112.10
69	Ceramic products	221.46	225.47	1.81
70	Glass and glassware	27.61	37.79	36.87
71	Natural/culture pearls & precious stones etc.	36.08	31.43	-12.89
72	Iron or steel	260.09	255.64	-1.71
73	Articles of iron or steel	24.89	57.65	131.62
74	Copper and articles thereof	389.46	173.31	-55.50
76	Aluminum and article thereof	0.92	2.07	125.00
78	Lead and articles thereof	46.91	0.54	-98.85
79	Zinc and articles thereof	3.23	0.28	-91.33
80	Tin and articles thereof	-	-	-
81	Other base metals, cermets etc.	3.03	-	-
82	Tools, implements, cutlery etc.	9.96	6.25	-37.25
83	Miscellaneous art of base metal.	2.42	7.24	199.17
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers etc.	396.4	172.48	-56.49
85	Electrical mach. & equipment, parts etc.	206.58	274.11	32.69
86	Rail/tramway locomotives etc.	2.48	2.11	-14.92
87	Vehicles, other than rail/tram way's & parts etc.	581.4	785.09	35.03
88	Aircraft, space craft and parts.	0.48	137.59	28564.58
89	Ships, boats & floating structures	15.85	17.75	11.99
90	Optical, photograph, cinematgph. Medical inst. etc.	107.07	160.54	49.94
91	Clocks & watches & parts.	1.46	4.31	195.21
92	Musical /instruments and parts etc.	0.03	0.28	833.33
93	Arms, & ammunition and parts & accessories	-	0.33	-
94	Furniture, bedding, mattresses etc.	50.82	47.45	-6.63
95	Toys, games & sports requisites & parts etc.	93.73	78.82	-15.91
96	Miscellaneous mfg. articles	63.51	48.29	-23.96
97	Works/ art, collectors & antiques	0.66	1.06	60.61
98	Miscellaneous national provisions	-	-	-
	Total	87720.2	99637.6	13.59

Table 4: Monthly Export of major commodities (4 digits)

HS Code	Commodities	Million Taka	
		2007-08	Percent

		May	June	change from prior month
0303	Fish frozen	329.71	223.95	-32.08
0304	Fish fillet, other fish meal	7.91	0.42	-94.69
0305	Fish dried	28.01	39.4	40.66
0306	Shrimps & prawns frozen	2389.98	2323.8	-2.77
0307	Molluscs	22.64	18.22	-19.52
0506	Bone and horn- cores	1.74	1.82	4.60
0709	Veg. fresh, chilled other	274.18	399.05	45.54
0902	Tea	17.76	45.42	155.74
1006	Rice	29.93	120.27	301.84
2401	Un-manufactured tobacco	69.26	184.42	166.27
2710	Naphtha	1496.73	1612.45	7.73
30,033,004	Pharmaceutical product	221	479.67	117.05
3901-3926	Plastic & articles thereof	429.03	359.64	-16.17
4102	Raw hides & skin of sheep's or lambs	-	-	-
4103	Raw hides and skin other	5.88	5.68	-3.40
4104	Tanned or crust hides and skin of bobbin	803.25	696.04	-13.35
4105	Tanned or crust skins of sheep or lambs	17.78	18.7	5.17
4106	Tanned or crust hides and skins or other animals	152.11	119.43	-21.48
4107	Leather hole hides and skins or crusting	651.82	624.92	-4.13
4113	Leather further prepared after tanning or crusting including parchment-dressed leather of other animals	71.13	88.37	24.24
4202	Trunks, suit-case, vanity-cases, brief cases, and other	50.67	68.11	34.42
4602	Basket work, wicker work, and other articles	39.75	28.43	-28.48
5303	Jute and other textile bast fibres, raw or retted	893.34	523.74	-41.37
5307	Jute yarn	1327.5	1496.05	12.70
5310	Woven fabrics and jutes or of other textile bast fibres	423.72	357.14	-15.71
5607	Jute twine, cordage, roofs and cables	71.92	123.39	71.57
6101-6117	Readymade garments men's women's and girls knitted and crocheted	36816.35	41466.7	12.63
6201-6217	Readymade garments men's women's and girls not knitted and crocheted	30306.3	36886.04	21.71
6305	Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods	521.46	440.33	-15.56
6401-6406	Foot ware with outer soles and uppers of rubber or of plastics and other	934.49	1141.38	22.14
6505	Heads and other headgear, knitted or crocheted	557.95	520.21	-6.76
	Total	78963.3	90413.2	14.50

Table 5: Monthly Merchandise import (2 digit HS Code)

Million Taka

HS	Commodities	2007-08	Percent
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Chapter		May	June	change from prior month
1	Live animals	39.82	60.21	51.21
2	Meat and edible meat offal	0.67	3.99	495.52
3	Fishes, crustacean and other aquatic	21.95	13.8	-37.13
4	Dairy produces edible product of animal origin.	594.22	744.51	25.29
5	Products of animal origin	59.5	98.45	65.46
6	Live tree and other plants etc.	2.11	0.98	-53.55
7	Edible vegetables, roots as tubers	1580.25	1778.37	12.54
8	Edible fruits and nuts citrus fruits	477.4	365.79	-23.38
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	186.79	246.25	31.83
10	Cereals	3789.88	4446.85	17.33
11	Product of milling industry: malt etc.	56.98	71.7	25.83
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	72.7	83.04	14.22
13	Lac, gums, resins , veg. saps & extra	11.59	20.58	77.57
14	Veg. plaiting materials	-	1.38	-
15	Animal or veg. fats and oils	10792.1	15121.86	40.12
16	Preparations of meat or fish etc.	0.06	9.39	15550.00
17	Sugar and sugar confectionery	6944.28	6055.52	-12.80
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparation	5.21	8.3	59.31
19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch etc.	251.04	275.65	9.80
20	Preparations of veg. fruits, nuts, etc.	32.54	22.14	-31.96
21	Misc. edible preparations	146.14	137.85	-5.67
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	78.04	79.52	1.90
23	Residues & waste from the food indus.	394.99	509.46	28.98
24	Tobacco mfg tobacco substitutes	115.23	226.29	96.38
25	Salt, sulphur, etc. and plastering metals stone cement	3554.69	2776.32	-21.90
26	Ores, slag and ash	649.85	108.24	-83.34
27	Mineral, fuels/oils etc.	12503.72	18181.8	45.41
28	Inorganic. Chem.: compounds of specious metals etc.	1487.45	1583.88	6.48
29	Organic Chemicals	2183.73	1920.68	-12.05
30	Pharmaceutical products	835	843.9	1.07
31	Fertilizers	5471.82	5265.21	-3.78
32	Tanning/dyeing ext; dye pigments etc.	1867.81	1722.92	-7.76

Table 5: Monthly Merchandise import (2 digit HS Code)

HS Chapter	Commodities	Million Taka		Percent change from prior month
		2007-08		
		May	June	
33	Essential Oils, perfumery/toilet pre.	212.17	215.27	1.46
34	Soap, orga. Surface-active agents etc.	523.1	464.52	-11.20
35	Albuminoidal subst. starches, glues etc.	167.03	222	32.91
36	Explosives pyrotechnic products etc.	-	1.3	-
37	Photographic/cinematographic goods	76.42	102.57	34.22
38	Miscellaneous chem. products	1270.39	1379.14	8.56
39	Plastics and articles thereof	4472.9	4881.92	9.14
40	Rubber and articles thereof	755.75	775.59	2.63
41	Raw hides & skins, leather	374.47	170.72	-54.41
42	Art of saddlery & harness etc.	78.38	69.63	-11.16
43	Fur skins & artificial fur. Mfg.	5.16	0.74	-85.66
44	Wood & art. of wood; wood charcoal	240.82	167.39	-30.49
45	Cork and articles of cork	0.78	0.12	-84.62
46	Manufactures of straw etc.	0.09	0.02	-77.78
47	Pulp/ wood/fibrous cellulosic materials etc.	400.22	643.73	60.84
48	Paper & paper board; art. Paper pulps etc.	2302.23	2432.9	5.68
49	Printed Book, News paper & picture	247.08	297.88	20.56
50	Silk	69.08	73.72	6.72
51	Wool, fine/coarse animal hair etc.	569.94	362.1	-36.47
52	Cotton	24870.36	21949.73	-11.74
53	Other veg. tex. fibres, paper/yarn etc.	25.8	25.46	-1.32
54	Man-made filaments	3328.36	2854.65	-14.23
55	Man-made staple fibres	6576.22	5582.2	-15.12
56	Wadding felts non-wovens, special yarn etc.	135.74	101.16	-25.48
57	Carpet other text. floor coverings	14.45	10.32	-28.58
58	Special woven fab; tufted tex. fabrics etc.	533.19	538.48	0.99
59	Impregnated, coated, tex fab. etc.	302.28	257.11	-14.94
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	1071.71	978.29	-8.72
61	Art. of aprl. cloth acsor. Knit /crocheted	54.03	70.63	30.72
62	Art. of aprl. cloth acsor. n-knit/ crocheted	3365.57	3156.94	-6.20
63	Other made up tex. articles etc.	119.35	230.74	93.33
64	Footwear, gaiter & like etc.	339.34	310.89	-8.38
65	Headgear and parts thereof	27.91	14.1	-49.48

Table 5: Monthly Merchandise import (2 digit HS Code)

HS Chapter	Commodities	Million Taka		
		2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		May	June	
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walk sticks etc.	37.68	34.68	-7.96
67	Prepared feathers & down/articles etc.	13.23	34.31	159.33
68	Art of stone, plastic, cement etc.	88.06	165.6	88.05
69	Ceramic products	172	146.38	-14.90
70	Glass and glassware	186.65	207.34	11.08
71	Natural/culture pearls & precious stones etc/	132.59	117.44	-11.43
72	Iron or steel	7257.88	5785.78	-20.28
73	Articles of iron or steel	635.34	812.84	27.94
74	Copper and articles thereof	494.8	458.65	-7.31
75	Nickel and articles thereof	18.23	15.51	-14.92
76	Aluminum and article thereof	631.19	684.02	8.37
78	Lead and articles thereof	105.3	74.54	-29.21
79	Zinc and articles thereof	475.41	258.17	-45.70
80	Tin and articles thereof	0.05	0.02	-60.00
81	Other base metals, cermets etc.	5.32	5.73	7.71
82	Tools, implements, cutlery etc.	150.93	91.79	-39.18
83	Miscellaneous art of base metal.	160.79	146.97	-8.60
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers etc.	12198.25	12126.55	-0.59
85	Electrical mach. & equipment, parts etc.	10017.71	9290.19	-7.26
86	Rail/tramway locomotives etc.	3.61	75.65	1995.57
87	Vehicles, other than rail/tram way's & parts etc.	3481.92	3818.49	9.67
88	Aircraft, space craft and parts.	204.27	133.74	-34.53
89	Ships, boats & floating structures	7582.25	8388.51	10.63
90	Optical, photgph. Cinematgph. Medical inst. etc.	783.47	1168.13	49.10
91	Clocks & watches & parts.	22.81	23.2	1.71
92	Musical /instruments and parts etc.	4.44	2.71	-38.96
93	Arms, & ammunition and parts & accessories	-	0.59	-
94	Furniture, bedding, mattresses etc.	170.19	166.42	-2.22
95	Toys, games & sports requisites & parts etc.	77.69	68.64	-11.65
96	Miscellaneous mfg. articles	732.78	728.91	-0.53
97	Works/ art, collectors & antiques	1.02	3.05	199.02
98	Miscellaneous national provisions	0.11	-	-
	Total	152584	156161	2.34

Table 6: Monthly import of major commodities (4 digits)

HS Code	Commodities	Million Taka		
		2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		May	June	
0401	Milk & cream	1.46	1.72	17.81
0703	Onion & Garlic	159.1	84.64	-46.80
0713	Dried leguminous veg.	1405.64	1684.19	19.82
0804	Dates	37.22	29.91	-19.64
0806	Grapes	20.15	59.91	197.32
0808	Apples	139.89	68.66	-50.92
0904	Pepper	-	14.1	-
1001	Wheat	2355.14	3388.73	43.89
1006	Rice	1434.71	1053.99	-26.54
1108	Starches	51.83	67.65	30.52
1201-1212	Oil seeds	72.7	83.04	14.22
1507	Soyabean oil	170.54	4826.43	2730.09
1511	Palm Oil	9496.2	9892.64	4.17
1701	Sugar	6888.86	5980.04	-13.19
2401	Un-manufactured tobacco	114.92	210.08	82.81
2523	Cement	2492.33	1665.64	-33.17
2709	Petroleum oil crude	2059.26	-	-
2710	Petroleum product	10190.27	17706.95	73.76
2801-2851	In organic Chemicals	1487.19	1583.83	6.50
2901-2942	Organic Chemicals	2183.82	1920.7	-12.05
3101-3105	Fertilizers	5471.82	5265.21	-3.78
3201-3215	Tanning & dyeing	1867.81	1722.95	-7.76
3801-3825	Chemical product	1270.39	1379.14	8.56
3901-3926	Plastic & articles thereof	4472.9	4881.92	9.14
4801-4823	Paper & paper board	2302.23	2432.9	5.68
5201-5203	Raw cotton	9263.27	8709.8	-5.97
5205-5207	Cotton yarn	3966	3598.28	-9.27
5208-5212	Cotton fabric	11568.33	9559.58	-17.36
5402-5406	Synthetic yarn	1021.83	920.91	-9.88
5407-5408	Synthetic fabric	1884.94	1544.9	-18.04
5504-5507	Staple fibre	238.76	92.19	-61.39
5509-5511	Yarn of staple fibre	2810.15	2341.4	-16.68
5512-5516	Fabric of staple fibre	2288.55	2142.89	-6.36
7201-7229	Iron & steel	7257.88	5785.78	-20.28
7301-7326	Article of iron & steel	635.34	812.84	27.94
7601-7616	Aluminum & article thereof	631.19	684.02	8.37
8402-8485	Machinery & parts	12177.66	12102.36	-0.62
8501-8548	Electrical goods	10017.71	9290.19	-7.26
8607-8609	Rail, tramway, locomotive	3.61	75.65	1995.57
8701-8716	Vehicle	3481.92	3818.49	9.67
8902,8903,8908	Ships, boat, floating structure	7582.24	8388.5	10.63
9001-9033	Optical, Photo, Cinema etc.	783.47	1168.13	49.10
	Total	131759	137041	4.01