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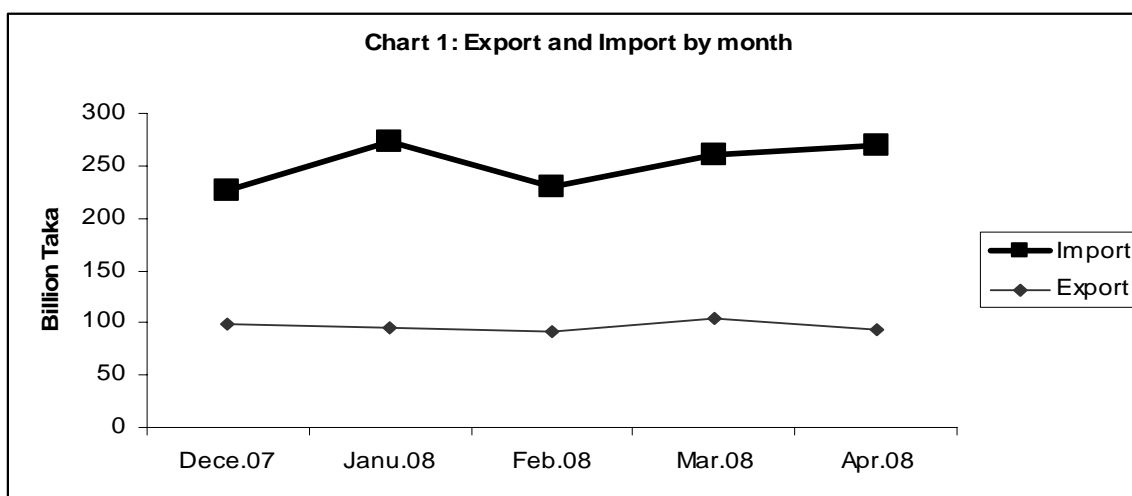
## **Foreign Trade Statistics**



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**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
<b><u>2007-08</u></b>									
Dece.07	98.07	90.16	7.91	128.34	113.06	15.28	-30.27	-22.90	-7.37
Janu.08	94.68	86.48	8.20	179.14	156.23	22.91	-84.46	-69.75	-14.71
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

**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
<b><u>2007-08</u></b>									
Dec.07	1430.0	1314.7	115.3	1871.4	1648.6	222.8	-441.4	-333.9	-107.5
Janu.08	1381.0	1261.0	120.0	2612.0	2278.0	334.0	-1231	-1017.0	-214.0
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

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

HS Chapter	Commodities	Million Taka		
		2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		Mar.	Apr.	
1	Live animals	1.2	-	-
2	Meat and edible meat offal	2.87	4.65	62.02
3	Fishes, crustacean and other aquatic	2584.09	4404.65	70.45
4	Dairy produces edible product of animal origin.	0.21	4.38	1985.71
5	Products of animal origin	34.29	24.66	-28.08
6	Live tree and other plants etc.	458.79	186.71	-59.30
7	Edible vegetables, roots as tubers	305.91	281.65	-7.93
8	Edible fruits and nuts citrus fruits	100.37	90.12	-10.21
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	72.57	92.34	27.24
10	Cereals	42.98	38.16	-11.21
11	Product of milling industry : malt etc.	0.72	0.67	-6.94
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	7.66	0.14	-98.17
13	Lac, gum resin veg sap/ extract	-	-	-
14	Vegetable plaiting materials	0.81	0.16	-80.25
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils	13.77	12.52	-9.08
16	Prepared of meat or fish etc.	-	22.71	-
17	Sugar and sugar confectionery	-	1.64	-
19	Prepared of cereals, flour, starch etc.	139.95	131.53	-6.02
20	Prepared of vegetable fruits, nuts, etc.	69.43	63.78	-8.14
21	Misc. edible preparations	8.03	2.13	-73.47
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	9.79	15.23	55.57
23	Residues & waste from the food industry	23.96	8.85	-63.06
24	Tobacco mfg tobacco substitutes	58.35	38.43	-34.14
25	Salt, sulphur, etc. and plastering metals stone cement	6.15	18.01	192.85
26	Ores, slag and ash	-	-	-
27	Mineral, fuels/oils etc.	1296.57	1370.82	5.73
28	Inorganic. chem.: compounds of specious metals etc.	3.43	780.2	22646.36
29	Organic chemicals	1.21	0.05	-95.87
30	Pharmaceutical products	241.81	211.7	-12.45
31	Fertilizers	-	-	-
32	Tanning/dyeing ext; dye pigments etc.	2.17	3.4	56.68
33	Essential Oils, perfumery/toilet pre.	1	1.79	79.00
34	Soap, orga. Surface-active agents etc.	18.72	9.26	-50.53

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HS Chapter	Commodities	2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		Mar.	Apr.	
35	Albuminoidal subst. starches, glues etc.	13.73	7.91	-42.39
36	Explosives pyrotechnic products etc.	18.22	19.59	7.52
37	Photographic/cinematographic goods	20.75	19.4	-6.51
38	Miscellaneous chem. products	3.57	0.07	-98.04
39	Plastics and articles thereof	356.16	366.29	2.84
40	Rubber and articles thereof	11.08	11.34	2.35
41	Raw hides & skins, leather	1811.73	1653.49	-8.73
42	Art of saddlery & harness etc.	39.18	43.14	10.11
43	Fur skins & artificial fur. Mfg.	-	-	-
44	Wood & art. of wood; wood charcoal	13.78	20.2	46.59
45	Cork and articles of cork	-	-	-
46	Manufactures of straw etc.	27.62	26.04	-5.72
47	Pulp/ wood/fibrous cellulose materials etc.	1.16	-	-
48	Paper & paper board; art. P. pulp etc.	105.81	127.63	20.62
49	Printed books, news papers, pictures etc.	354.63	763.92	115.41
50	Silk	0.11	-	-
51	Wool, fine/coarse animal hair etc.	-	0.15	-
52	Cotton	454.49	395.39	-13.00
53	Other veg. tex. fibres, paper/yarn etc.	3189.39	3437.63	7.78
54	Man-made filaments	96.71	149.47	54.55
55	Man-made staple fibres	199.54	181	-9.29
56	Wadding felts nonwovens, speci. yarn etc.	254.85	332.45	30.45
57	Carpet other text. floor coverings	27.16	74.16	173.05
58	Special woven fab; tufted tex.fabrics etc.	611.36	745.23	21.90
59	Impregnated, coated, tex fab. etc.	40.99	44.52	8.61
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	87.48	113.94	30.25
61	Art. of aprl. Cloth acsor. knit/crocht.	30458.51	32856.59	7.87
62	Art. of aprl. cloth acsor. n-knit/ crocht	32926.59	28487.08	-13.48
63	Other made up tex. articles etc.	3321.53	3363.16	1.25
64	Footwear, gaiter & like etc.	889.35	773.37	-13.04
65	Headgear and parts thereof	465.97	517.67	11.10
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walk sticks etc.	-	-	-
67	Prepared feathers & down/articles etc.	4.95	4.54	-8.28

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

Million Taka

HS Chapter	Commodities	2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		Mar.	Apr.	
68	Art of stone, plastic, cement etc.	34.99	15.57	-55.50
69	Ceramic products	206.75	228.3	10.42
70	Glass and glassware	11.4	13.1	14.91
71	Natural/culture pearls & precious stones etc.	342.92	55.86	-83.71
72	Iron or steel	414.45	124.02	-70.08
73	Articles of iron or steel	45.46	38.04	-16.32
74	Copper and articles thereof	392.67	291.85	-25.68
76	Aluminum and article thereof	0.03	0.42	1300.00
78	Lead and articles thereof	68.91	98.41	42.81
79	Zinc and articles thereof	3.19	2.08	-34.80
80	Tin and articles thereof	0.16	1.6	900.00
81	Other base metals, cermets etc.	-	-	-
82	Tools, implements, cutlery etc.	28.13	2.34	-91.68
83	Miscellaneous art of base metal.	6.05	0.58	-90.41
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers etc.	2208.6	199.5	-90.97
85	Electrical mach. & equipment, parts etc.	438.31	217.3	-50.42
86	Rail/tramway locomotives etc.	1.43	1.49	4.20
87	Vehicles, other than rail/tram way's & parts etc.	370.58	385.92	4.14
88	Aircraft, space craft and parts.	2.05	1.78	-13.17
89	Ships, boats & floating structures	17.52	15.38	-12.21
90	Optical, photograph, cinematgph. Medical inst. etc.	89.62	99.11	10.59
91	Clocks & watches & parts.	1.31	-	-
92	Musical /instruments and parts etc.	0.06	-	-
93	Arms, & ammunition and parts & accessories	-	0.13	-
94	Furniture, bedding, mattresses etc.	23.15	24.1	4.10
95	Toys, games & sports requisites & parts etc.	70.25	88.76	26.35
96	Miscellaneous mfg. articles	61.99	84.94	37.02
97	Works/ art, collectors & antiques	0.81	0.39	-51.85
98	Miscellaneous national provisions	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>86154</b>	<b>84346.68</b>	<b>-2.09</b>

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

HS Code	Commodities	Million Taka		
		2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		Mar.	Apr.	
0303	Fish frozen	392.89	351.12	-10.63
0304	Fish fillet, other fish meal	21.76	7.91	-63.65
0305	Fish dried	33.85	27.44	-18.94
0306	Shrimps & prawns frozen	2022.8	3950.67	95.31
0307	Molluscs	15.33	20.17	31.57
0506	Bone and horn- cores	1.09	1.09	0.00
0709	Veg. fresh, chilled other	192.29	230.93	20.09
0902	Tea	63.52	30.01	-52.76
1006	Rice	42.98	38.16	-11.21
2401	Un-manufactured tobacco	53.13	22.37	-57.90
2710	Naphtha	1281.1	1295.86	1.15
3003,3004	Pharmaceutical product	238.97	195.82	-18.06
3901-3926	Plastic & articles thereof	356.16	366.29	2.84
4102	Raw hides & skin of sheep's or lambs	-	-	-
4103	Raw hides and skin other	11.03	12.82	16.23
4104	Tanned or crust hides and skin of bobbin	857.88	742	-13.51
4105	Tanned or crust skins of sheep or lambs	36.82	3.7	-89.95
4106	Tanned or crust hides and skins or other animals	214.74	172.61	-19.62
4107	Leather hole hides and skins or crusting	615.25	631.59	2.66
4113	Leather further prepared after tanning or crusting including parchment-dressed leather of other animals	68.72	82.6	20.20
4202	Trunks, suit-case, vanity-cases, brief cases, and other	33.89	41.32	21.92
4602	Basket work, wicker work, and other articles	27.3	26.04	-4.62
5303	Jute and other textile bast fibres, raw or retted	1273.34	1357.49	6.61
5307	Jute yarn	1384.18	1552.96	12.19
5310	Woven fabrics and jutes or of other textile bast fibres	503.86	517.35	2.68
5607	Jute twine, cordage, roofs and cables	66.25	103.93	56.88
6101-6117	Readymade garments men's women's and girls knitted and crocheted	30458.51	32856.59	7.87
6201-6217	Readymade garments men's women's and girls not knitted and crocheted	32925.59	28487.08	-13.48
6305	Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods	890.25	657.56	-26.14
6401-6406	Foot ware with outer soles and uppers of rubber or of plastics and other	889.35	773.37	-13.04
6505	Heads and other headgear, knitted or crocheted	460.12	505.95	9.96
	<b>Total</b>	<b>75433</b>	<b>75062.8</b>	<b>-0.49</b>

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

Million Taka

HS Chapter	Commodities	2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		Mar.	Apr.	
1	Live animals	4.16	20.18	385.10
2	Meat and edible meat offal	0.83	27.25	3183.13
3	Fishes, crustacean and other aquatic	66.4	28.57	-56.97
4	Dairy produces edible product of animal origin.	1026.51	1008.04	-1.80
5	Products of animal origin	184.47	177.19	-3.95
6	Live tree and other plants etc.	1.05	0.84	-20.00
7	Edible vegetables, roots as tubers	2712.88	2797.54	3.12
8	Edible fruits and nuts citrus fruits	323.52	514.47	59.02
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	127.55	141.13	10.65
10	Cereals	5978.77	3506.66	-41.35
11	Product of milling industry: malt etc.	190.55	154.9	-18.71
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	117.33	4087.77	3383.99
13	Lac, gums, resins , veg. saps & extra	21.23	18.36	-13.52
14	Veg. plaiting materials	-	1.17	-
15	Animal or veg. fats and oils	9766.09	11231.27	15.00
16	Preparations of meat or fish etc.	3.08	2.81	-8.77
17	Sugar and sugar confectionery	2046.74	4944.36	141.57
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparation	10.58	45.09	326.18
19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch etc.	297.35	434.61	46.16
20	Preparations of veg. fruits, nuts, etc.	29.94	32.75	9.39
21	Misc. edible preparations	188.9	157.46	-16.64
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	60.38	61.59	2.00
23	Residues & waste from the food indus.	601.43	943.53	56.88
24	Tobacco mfg tobacco substitutes	73.73	73.75	0.03
25	Salt, sulphur, etc. and plastering metals stone cement	3065.6	3313.45	8.08
26	Ores, slag and ash	119.2	124	4.03
27	Mineral, fuels/oils etc.	11430.38	8232.6	-27.98
28	Inorganic. Chem.: compounds of specious metals etc.	2616.62	1917.42	-26.72
29	Organic Chemicals	1938.83	2091.4	7.87
30	Pharmaceutical products	703.76	1045.01	48.49
31	Fertilizers	3805.65	2524.16	-33.67
32	Tanning/dyeing ext; dye pigments etc.	1525.77	1717.05	12.54

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

HS Chapter	Commodities	2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		Mar.	Apr.	
33	Essential Oils, perfumery/toilet pre.	252.54	269.02	6.53
34	Soap, orga. Surface-active agents etc.	481.71	571.25	18.59
35	Albuminoidal subst. starches, glues etc.	215.29	222.85	3.51
36	Explosives pyrotechnic products etc.	0.84	1.81	115.48
37	Photographic/cinematographic goods	120	128.41	7.01
38	Miscellaneous chem. products	1280.46	1370.26	7.01
39	Plastics and articles thereof	4286.45	5443.81	27.00
40	Rubber and articles thereof	763.17	774.49	1.48
41	Raw hides & skins, leather	373.46	206.37	-44.74
42	Art of saddlery & harness etc.	32.4	60.6	87.04
43	Fur skins & artificial fur. Mfg.	0.04	0.41	925.00
44	Wood & art. of wood; wood charcoal	336.79	460.02	36.59
45	Cork and articles of cork	1.74	2.69	54.60
46	Manufactures of straw etc.	0.1	0.09	-10.00
47	Pulp/ wood/fibrous cellulosic materials etc.	397.63	391.59	-1.52
48	Paper & paper board; art. Paper pulps etc.	2241.83	2098.48	-6.39
49	Printed Book, News paper & picture	207.25	294.38	42.04
50	Silk	60.94	78.22	28.36
51	Wool, fine/coarse animal hair etc.	326.52	568.51	74.11
52	Cotton	23649.43	26271.69	11.09
53	Other veg. tex. fibres, paper/yarn etc.	10.19	24.01	135.62
54	Man-made filaments	2434.67	3260.48	33.92
55	Man-made staple fibres	4625.16	5917.06	27.93
56	Wadding felts non-wovens, special yarn etc.	79.28	150.69	90.07
57	Carpet other text. floor coverings	21.13	9.64	-54.38
58	Special woven fab; tufted tex. fabrics etc.	275.95	452.31	63.91
59	Impregnated, coated, tex fab. etc.	241.54	274.16	13.51
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	846.07	1144.76	35.30
61	Art. of aprl. cloth acsor. Knit /crocheted	36.19	33.77	-6.69
62	Art. of aprl. cloth acsor. n-knit/ crocheted	2644.44	3990.78	50.91
63	Other made up tex. articles etc.	84.1	65.27	-22.39
64	Footwear, gaiter & like etc.	287.03	301.22	4.94
65	Headgear and parts thereof	27.85	17.23	-38.13

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

HS Chapter	Commodities	2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		Mar.	Apr.	
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walk sticks etc.	14.65	27.61	88.46
67	Prepared feathers & down/articles etc.	13.97	58.11	315.96
68	Art of stone, plastic, cement etc.	127.28	155.92	22.50
69	Ceramic products	134.75	124.35	-7.72
70	Glass and glassware	180.71	187.7	3.87
71	Natural/culture pearls & precious stones etc/	25.34	76.96	203.71
72	Iron or steel	4540.02	4716.09	3.88
73	Articles of iron or steel	784.57	885.91	12.92
74	Copper and articles thereof	224.32	492.41	119.51
75	Nickel and articles thereof	11.07	32.28	191.60
76	Aluminum and article thereof	546.38	664.38	21.60
78	Lead and articles thereof	113.33	64.81	-42.81
79	Zinc and articles thereof	530.96	410.28	-22.73
80	Tin and articles thereof	5.18	4.8	-7.34
81	Other base metals, cermets etc.	4.22	12.53	196.92
82	Tools, implements, cutlery etc.	104.94	82.95	-20.95
83	Miscellaneous art of base metal.	160.23	140.24	-12.48
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers etc.	10389.53	12861.19	23.79
85	Electrical mach. & equipment, parts etc.	7739.53	10686.93	38.08
86	Rail/tramway locomotives etc.	43.85	471.99	976.37
87	Vehicles, other than rail/tram way's & parts etc.	3563.4	4730.51	32.75
88	Aircraft, space craft and parts.	294.11	52.87	-82.02
89	Ships, boats & floating structures	7484.31	9075.55	21.26
90	Optical, photgph. Cinematgph. Medical inst. etc.	888.91	995.47	11.99
91	Clocks & watches & parts.	22.3	44.28	98.57
92	Musical /instruments and parts etc.	4.44	2.24	-49.55
93	Arms, & ammunition and parts & accessories	46.55	196.24	321.57
94	Furniture, bedding, mattresses etc.	199.34	296.75	48.87
95	Toys, games & sports requisites & parts etc.	40.08	81.5	103.34
96	Miscellaneous mfg. articles	660.28	820.32	24.24
97	Works/ art, collectors & antiques	-	17.47	-
98	Miscellaneous national provisions	-	0.21	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>134580</b>	<b>154693.4</b>	<b>14.95</b>

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

HS Code	Commodities	Million Taka		
		2007-08		Percent change from prior month
		Mar.	Apr.	
0401	Milk & cream	0.2	0.92	360
0703	Onion & Garlic	199.45	285.32	43.05
0713	Dried leguminous veg.	2512.27	2510.71	-0.06
0804	Dates	13.91	25.02	79.87
0806	Grapes	19.23	34.5	79.41
0808	Apples	101.74	226.73	122.85
0904	Pepper	5.46	5.37	-1.65
1001	Wheat	646.66	943.92	45.97
1006	Rice	5328.18	2562.41	-51.91
1108	Starches	174.73	145.7	-16.61
1201-1212	Oil seeds	117.33	4087.97	3384.16
1507	Soyabean oil	1075.87	2305.44	114.29
1511	Palm Oil	8413.79	8595.93	2.16
1701	Sugar	1988.64	4880.08	145.40
2401	Un-manufactured tobacco	71.74	59.11	-17.61
2523	Cement	2377.37	2910.56	22.43
2709	Petroleum oil crude	2485.18	-	-
2710	Petroleum product	8581.95	7805.41	-9.05
2801-2851	In organic Chemicals	2616.61	1916.41	-26.76
2901-2942	Organic Chemicals	1938.83	2091.43	7.87
3101-3105	Fertilizers	3805.65	2524.16	-33.67
3201-3215	Tanning & dyeing	1525.77	1717.14	12.54
3801-3825	Chemical product	1280.46	1370.26	7.01
3901-3926	Plastic & articles thereof	4286.45	5543.81	29.33
4801-4823	Paper & paper board	2241.83	2098.48	-6.39
5201-5203	Raw cotton	10891.02	10555.43	-3.08
5205-5207	Cotton yarn	4293.68	4666.63	8.69
5208-5212	Cotton fabric	8384.36	10980.81	30.97
5402-5406	Synthetic yarn	1029.05	1032.95	0.38
5407-5408	Synthetic fabric	1119.59	1886.85	68.53
5504-5507	Staple fibre	232.58	125.1	-46.21
5509-5511	Yarn of staple fibre	1706.4	2127.97	24.71
5512-5516	Fabric of staple fibre	1568.35	2577.06	64.32
7201-7229	Iron & steel	4540.02	4716.09	3.88
7301-7326	Article of iron & steel	784.57	885.91	12.92
7601-7616	Aluminum & article thereof	546.38	664.38	21.60
8402-8485	Machinery & parts	10366.32	12829.63	23.76
8501-8548	Electrical goods	7739.53	10688.97	38.11
8607-8609	Rail, tramway, locomotive	43.85	132.56	202.30
8701-8716	Vehicle	3563.4	4730.51	32.75
8902,8903,8903	Ships, boat, floating structure	7461.33	9075.24	21.63
9001-9033	Optical, Photo, Cinema etc.	888.91	997.47	12.21
	<b>Total</b>	<b>116969</b>	<b>133320.3</b>	<b>13.98</b>