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## Introduction

This publication presents statistics on the value of non-oil foreign merchandise trade, which entered or exited the territory of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi through the ports of Abu Dhabi (comprising air, sea and road ports) in (Jan-May) and May 2019-2020. It should be noted that foreign trade data presented in this publication do not cover non-oil exports and imports through ports of the other Emirates in the UAE.

The data have been sourced from the Abu Dhabi Department of Finance – Customs Administration, and the scope of the statistics therefore is restricted to the trade flows recorded at ports under the jurisdiction of the Customs Administration. The publication highlights the relative importance of each individual component of imports, non-oil exports and re-exports.

The data are presented according to the Broad Economic Categories (BEC), the Harmonized System (HS) chapters and by country for total imports, non-oil exports and re-exports.

The Explanatory Notes section at the end of this publication defines the key terms and technical concepts used in the compilation of non-oil foreign merchandise trade statistics. Readers are encouraged to refer to that section while reading the statistics and information outlined in the publication.

## Key points

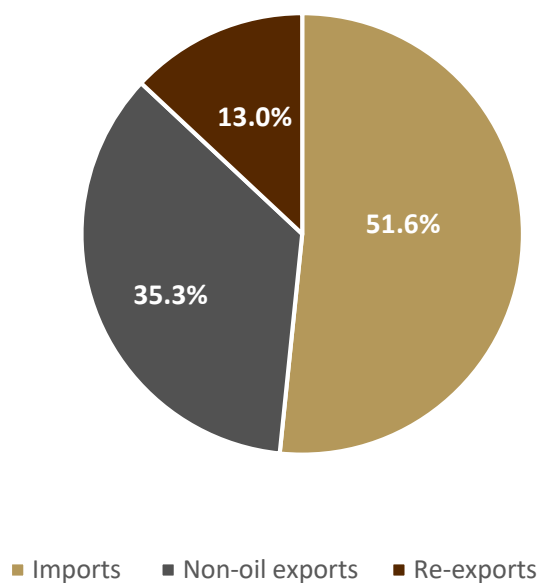
### Monthly non-oil foreign merchandise trade, in (Jan-May) and May 2019-2020

The value of non-oil foreign merchandise trade through Abu Dhabi ports decreased by 9.5% from AED 88.6 billion in (Jan-May) 2019 to AED 80.2 billion in the same period of 2020. This was the result of a 31.3% decrease in re-exports from AED 21.5 billion to AED 14.8 billion, and a 7.2% decrease in non-oil exports from AED 25.0 billion to AED 23.2 billion, while the imports increased by 0.4% in the same period.

Total trade decreased by 18.7% in May 2020 compared with May 2019, due to a decrease in re-exports, imports, and non-oil exports by 58.2%, 7.8%, and 1.6% respectively in the same period.

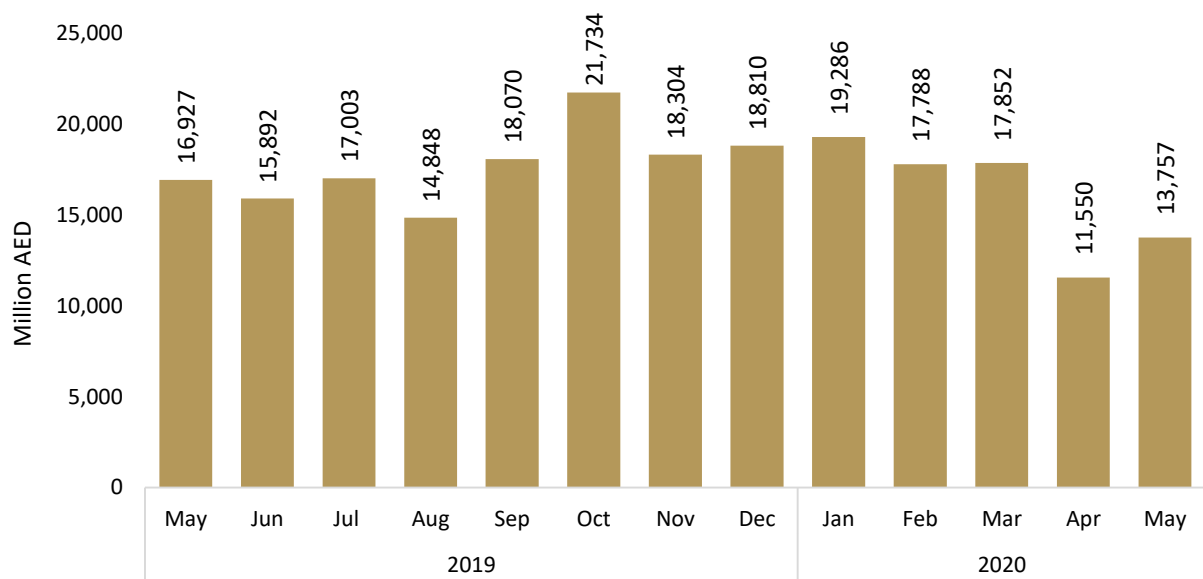
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**Figure1:** Percentage contribution to the value of non-oil foreign merchandise trade, May 2020



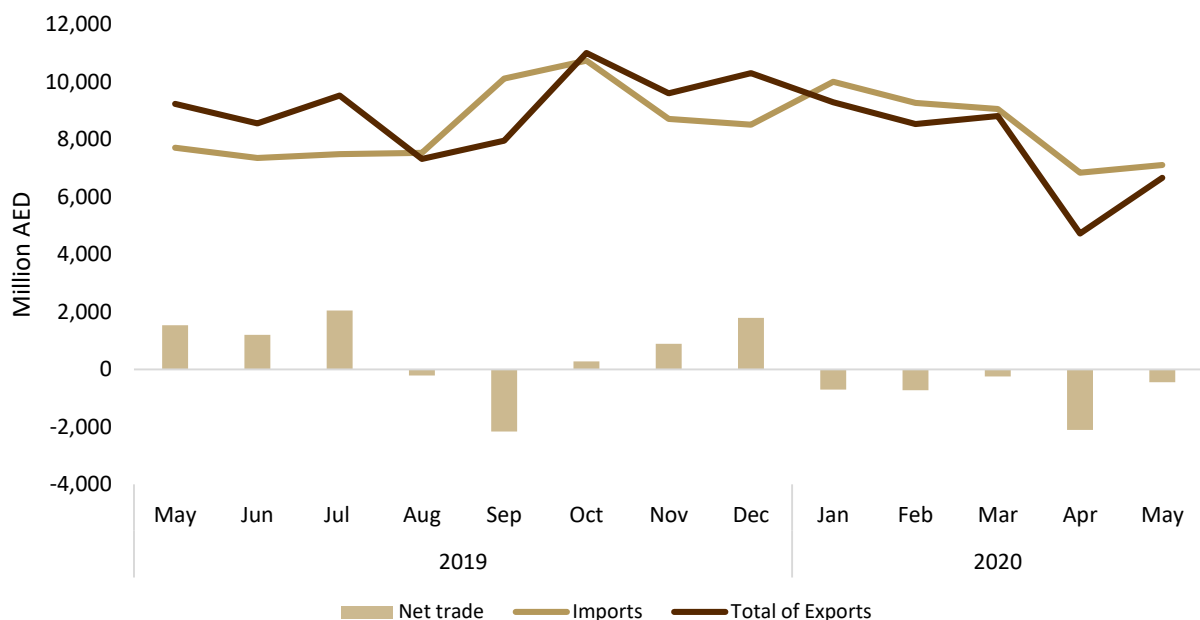
Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration

**Figure 2: The value of non-oil foreign merchandise trade by months, May 2019- May 2020**



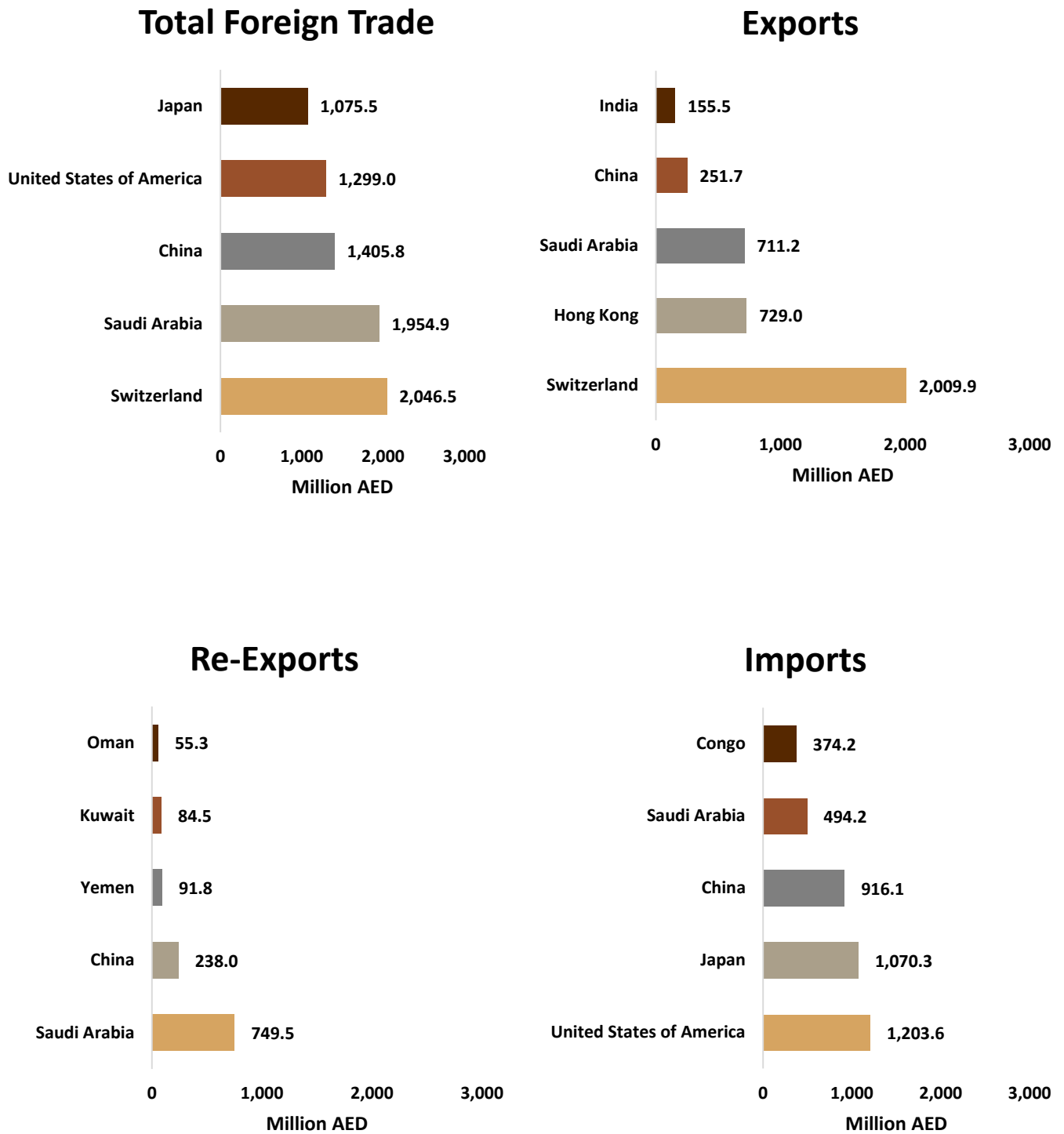
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**Figure 3: Non-oil Net trade by months, May 2019- May 2020**



Source: Statistics Centre Abu Dhabi (SCAD)  
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**Figure 4: Top trade partners of non-oil foreign merchandise trade- May 2020**



Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration

## Statistical Tables

**Table 1: Non-oil foreign merchandise trade (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Foreign trade type	May		Change (%)	(Jan-May)		Change (%)
	2019	2020		2019	2020	
Imports	7,700	7,102	-7.8	42,091	42,240	0.4
Non-oil exports	4,943	4,863	-1.6	24,994	23,200	-7.2
Re-exports	4,284	1,792	-58.2	21,535	14,793	-31.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,927</b>	<b>13,757</b>	<b>-18.7</b>	<b>88,620</b>	<b>80,232</b>	<b>-9.5</b>

Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration  
The data for 2020 are preliminary

**Table 2: Non-oil exports by Broad Economic Category (BEC), (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Commodities	May		Change (%)	(Jan-May)		Change (%)
	2019	2020		2019	2020	
Food and beverages	508.84	347.88	-31.6	2,800.71	2,604.14	-7.0
Industrial supplies n.e.s.	3,722.19	4,265.17	14.6	19,450.59	18,286.48	-6.0
Fuels and lubricants	25.09	8.78	-65.0	132.15	91.15	-31.0
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	306.63	35.71	-88.4	924.73	534.23	-42.2
Transport equipment, and parts	56.31	20.88	-62.9	299.98	290.43	-3.2
Consumer goods n.e.s.	323.40	184.33	-43.0	1,382.10	1,385.15	0.2
Goods n.e.s.	0.35	0.06	-81.9	3.42	7.93	132.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,943</b>	<b>4,863</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>24,994</b>	<b>23,200</b>	<b>-7.2</b>

Source: Statistics Centre Abu Dhabi (SCAD)  
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**Table 3: Re-exports by Broad Economic Category (BEC), (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Commodities	May		Change (%)	(Jan-May)		Change (%)
	2019	2020		2019	2020	
Food and beverages	297.74	244.16	-18.0	1,350.37	1,398.89	3.6
Industrial supplies n.e.s.	439.75	121.54	-72.4	2,265.31	1,566.47	-30.8
Fuels and lubricants	4.69	1.12	-76.1	28.39	24.14	-15.0
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	791.35	335.52	-57.6	3,914.67	2,372.22	-39.4
Transport equipment, and parts	2,024.74	938.50	-53.6	10,338.97	6,901.07	-33.3
Consumer goods n.e.s.	709.22	149.70	-78.9	3,554.58	2,479.51	-30.2
Goods n.e.s.	16.22	1.16	-92.9	83.15	50.94	-38.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,284</b>	<b>1,792</b>	<b>-58.2</b>	<b>21,535</b>	<b>14,793</b>	<b>-31.3</b>

Source: Statistics Centre Abu Dhabi (SCAD)

The data for 2020 are preliminary

**Table 4: Imports by Broad Economic Category (BEC), (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Commodities	May		Change (%)	(Jan-May)		Change (%)
	2019	2020		2019	2020	
Food and beverages	541.66	691.89	27.7	2,665.87	2,942.80	10.4
Industrial supplies n.e.s.	3,918.46	2,408.13	-38.5	18,482.60	16,769.43	-9.3
Fuels and lubricants	55.93	24.66	-55.9	240.87	204.39	-15.1
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	1,136.12	1,794.28	57.9	5,869.75	9,828.47	67.4
Transport equipment, and parts	1,554.98	1,695.18	9.0	9,671.07	9,564.67	-1.1
Consumer goods n.e.s.	480.05	486.76	1.4	5,096.03	2,888.44	-43.3
Goods n.e.s.	13.28	1.49	-88.7	65.18	41.40	-36.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>7,102</b>	<b>-7.8</b>	<b>42,091</b>	<b>42,240</b>	<b>0.4</b>

Source: Statistics Centre Abu Dhabi (SCAD)

The data for 2020 are preliminary



**Table 5: Non-oil exports by Harmonized System Classification, (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,943</b>	<b>4,863</b>	<b>24,994</b>	<b>23,200</b>
Live animals	6.88	4.42	48.39	29.46
Meat and edible offal	50.88	16.40	206.59	124.92
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	12.96	4.24	75.56	43.70
Dairy produce, birds eggs and honey	104.71	64.39	581.98	473.03
Products of animal origin, n.e.s.	-	-	0.04	-
Live trees, plants; bulbs, roots and cut flowers	-	-	4.26	0.06
Edible vegetables and roots	20.13	28.46	123.04	163.65
Edible fruit, nuts	6.79	7.82	57.86	64.08
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	1.42	1.42	11.65	11.26
Cereals	1.80	4.92	24.17	19.70
Products of the milling industry	7.00	8.24	57.15	72.88
Oil seeds; grains, seeds and fruits	3.54	0.77	17.09	8.56
Lac; gums, resins and other vegetable saps	0.53	0.17	1.77	2.67
Vegetable plaiting materials	-	0.10	-	0.13
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	29.50	20.36	185.71	171.25
Preparations of meat, of fish or of crustaceans	61.58	41.79	325.75	241.58
Sugars and sugar confectionery	8.87	4.32	45.21	44.69
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	49.49	21.49	239.19	229.21
Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk	50.19	50.59	275.60	381.81
Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	33.71	20.18	158.96	143.65
Miscellaneous edible preparations	44.24	36.63	303.14	306.79
Beverages, spirits and vinegar	16.32	10.98	72.56	67.85
Residues and waste from the food industries	10.93	10.43	52.63	65.66
Tobacco and manufactured substitutes	0.69	-	1.42	0.62
Salt; sulfur; earths and stone	4.44	3.19	27.89	24.06
Ores, slag and ash	0.93	0.99	4.23	2.64
Mineral fuels and mineral oils	24.85	9.06	128.47	94.65

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Inorganic chemicals	3.94	0.84	22.85	13.93
Organic chemicals	2.78	1.47	13.68	10.51
Pharmaceutical products	31.96	21.47	87.92	132.51
Fertilizers	3.95	-	25.18	5.76
Tanning extracts; dyes and paints	53.98	7.88	257.79	182.27
Essential oils; perfumery and cosmetics	128.54	21.45	562.99	417.02
Soap, washing preparations, waxes and candles	53.09	61.99	325.52	353.00
Modified starches and glues	3.89	0.78	20.28	15.22
Explosives; pyrotechnic products and matches	0.05	-	0.40	0.01
Photographic or cinematographic goods	0.13	0.24	0.41	0.66
Miscellaneous chemical products	33.24	9.32	136.71	128.77
Plastics and articles thereof	689.08	695.57	4,732.45	4,709.75
Rubber and articles thereof	8.11	0.85	38.20	26.68
Raw hides and skins and leather	-	-	0.58	-
Articles of leather; saddlery; travel goods and handbags	0.57	-	1.61	0.16
Furskins and artificial fur	-	-	-	-
Wood, articles of wood and charcoal	6.16	0.72	27.87	31.49
Cork and articles of cork	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.39
Manufactures of straw, basketware and wickerwork	0.29	0.02	1.44	0.76
Pulp of wood; waste and scrap of paper	0.04	0.04	0.12	0.26
Paper; articles of paper pulp and paperboard	116.95	80.25	460.84	605.64
Printed books, newspapers and pictures	6.51	74.56	53.24	215.92
Silk	-	-	0.10	-
Wool, animal hair and woven fabric	-	-	-	-
Cotton	0.06	-	0.25	0.19
Other vegetable textile fibers and paper yarn	-	-	-	-
Man-made filaments	0.54	-	4.39	0.37
Man-made staple fibers	2.84	-	8.42	1.36
Wadding, felt; twine, cordage, ropes and cables	1.76	0.50	7.16	6.98
Carpets and textile floor coverings	27.70	2.77	96.44	83.78

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Woven fabrics; textile fabrics; lace and , tapestries	0.08	-	0.24	0.02
Coated, covered or laminated textile fabrics	0.54	0.14	3.01	1.86
Knitted or crocheted fabrics	-	-	-	-
Clothing, knitted or crocheted	0.65	0.03	2.30	2.26
Clothing not knitted or crocheted	1.33	0.12	5.40	3.43
Other textile articles and worn clothing	8.68	1.39	30.72	21.81
Footwear, gaiters and parts	0.01	-	2.91	0.57
Headgear and parts thereof	-	-	0.09	0.05
Umbrellas, walking sticks, whips and riding-crops	-	-	0.10	0.13
Feathers, down and articles thereof; artificial flowers	0.01	-	0.29	0.07
Articles of stone, plaster, cement and asbestos	20.93	3.63	102.11	65.97
Ceramic products	36.09	6.71	104.17	112.40
Glass and glassware	43.38	4.64	189.78	100.01
Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, imitation jewelry	1,127.94	2,813.84	5,998.12	6,270.94
Iron and steel	260.51	105.51	1,118.73	1,240.77
Articles of iron or steel	254.33	152.37	1,405.32	1,272.64
Copper and articles thereof	462.93	148.72	2,217.39	1,766.06
Nickel and articles thereof	0.06	-	0.47	0.26
Aluminum and articles thereof	581.58	199.63	2,234.01	1,566.78
Lead and articles thereof	0.62	-	2.55	0.77
Zinc and articles thereof	1.67	0.08	4.65	7.09
Tin and articles thereof	0.02	0.18	0.09	0.30
Other base metals and articles thereof	0.25	0.01	8.63	0.16
Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks	1.40	0.19	5.88	2.53
Miscellaneous articles of base metal	17.83	9.34	129.94	68.71
Boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; nuclear reactors	216.56	16.62	653.88	276.58
Electrical machinery; sound and television recorders	68.35	19.88	312.58	240.50
Locomotives, rolling-stock, railway track fixtures and fittings	0.12	-	3.12	6.93
Vehicles other than railway or tramway rolling stock	26.39	18.27	178.55	148.90

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof	22.51	2.49	102.09	121.89
Ships, boats and floating structures	6.38	1.30	59.84	18.94
Optical, photographic, cinematographic and medical instruments	19.23	0.90	35.91	37.50
Clocks and watches and parts thereof	0.01	-	0.04	0.25
Musical instruments; parts and accessories	-	-	-	-
Furniture; bedding, mattresses, cushions; lamps, prefabricated buildings	32.95	4.58	157.18	107.80
Toys, games and sports requisites and parts	0.03	-	0.21	0.31
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.39	0.01	2.60	0.80
Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	0.05	-	0.16	0.04
Special classification provisions	0.35	0.06	3.42	1.55

Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration  
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**Table 6: Re-exports by Harmonized System Classification, (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,284</b>	<b>1,792</b>	<b>21,535</b>	<b>14,793</b>
Live animals	1.39	0.29	5.15	2.26
Meat and edible offal	5.89	4.26	75.58	43.11
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	3.91	1.39	21.07	15.24
Dairy produce, birds eggs and honey	28.97	31.86	116.75	122.74
Products of animal origin, n.e.s.	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.29
Live trees, plants; bulbs, roots and cut flowers	0.16	0.09	1.21	0.68
Edible vegetables and roots	20.20	25.63	105.28	153.07
Edible fruit, nuts	134.10	130.84	527.28	649.25
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	16.93	17.00	101.93	129.32
Cereals	3.26	1.07	12.74	5.18
Products of the milling industry	0.49	0.32	4.77	2.25
Oil seeds; grains, seeds and fruits	1.50	0.85	9.51	17.29
Lac; gums, resins and other vegetable saps	0.44	0.14	5.81	2.76
Vegetable plaiting materials	0.14	0.07	0.39	0.68
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	1.28	0.38	4.70	1.92
Preparations of meat, of fish or of crustaceans	0.89	0.05	3.45	2.72
Sugars and sugar confectionery	13.84	5.81	56.43	53.83
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	32.17	16.53	139.11	100.80
Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk	6.09	3.67	23.57	22.68
Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	10.67	1.86	46.59	23.53
Miscellaneous edible preparations	8.49	2.63	51.34	29.54
Beverages, spirits and vinegar	11.80	0.85	63.77	42.32
Residues and waste from the food industries	3.05	0.39	11.35	7.30
Tobacco and manufactured substitutes	8.96	-	36.54	21.82
Salt; sulfur; earths and stone	2.73	2.10	14.00	10.42
Ores, slag and ash	0.70	0.10	2.12	1.03
Mineral fuels and mineral oils	5.37	0.90	25.57	22.56

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Inorganic chemicals	11.65	8.62	38.52	29.70
Organic chemicals	14.84	2.14	75.81	43.39
Pharmaceutical products	47.16	44.63	172.19	287.58
Fertilizers	-	-	1.93	0.87
Tanning extracts; dyes and paints	5.60	1.48	32.01	23.74
Essential oils; perfumery and cosmetics	211.40	71.86	940.84	864.14
Soap, washing preparations, waxes and candles	20.68	8.31	87.57	71.84
Modified starches and glues	1.33	0.13	7.25	7.63
Explosives; pyrotechnic products and matches	0.17	-	1.59	0.66
Photographic or cinematographic goods	0.90	0.04	4.85	3.23
Miscellaneous chemical products	13.80	3.82	66.16	79.49
Plastics and articles thereof	61.77	26.33	284.35	228.77
Rubber and articles thereof	29.00	30.83	151.11	151.24
Raw hides and skins and leather	-	0.13	0.20	0.14
Articles of leather; saddlery; travel goods and handbags	18.38	2.85	62.48	52.72
Furskins and artificial fur	-	-	-	0.03
Wood, articles of wood and charcoal	9.75	1.83	50.30	38.87
Cork and articles of cork	0.98	0.18	3.41	6.10
Manufactures of straw, basketware and wickerwork	0.91	0.03	4.82	1.49
Pulp of wood; waste and scrap of paper	0.02	-	11.27	9.08
Paper; articles of paper pulp and paperboard	12.72	1.87	64.51	42.85
Printed books, newspapers and pictures	2.15	0.03	10.53	10.25
Silk	0.01	-	0.05	-
Wool, animal hair and woven fabric	0.06	0.75	0.94	1.49
Cotton	0.11	0.02	3.00	3.57
Other vegetable textile fibers and paper yarn	0.82	1.77	3.17	2.53
Man-made filaments	2.26	3.94	8.33	9.95
Man-made staple fibers	1.88	0.03	7.17	3.62
Wadding, felt; twine, cordage, ropes and cables	1.42	0.53	8.63	4.68
Carpets and textile floor coverings	5.59	0.10	26.11	12.31

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Woven fabrics; textile fabrics; lace and , tapestries	0.76	0.02	3.22	2.25
Coated, covered or laminated textile fabrics	0.70	0.12	4.92	2.91
Knitted or crocheted fabrics	1.15	0.03	8.30	4.84
Clothing, knitted or crocheted	115.27	6.18	635.01	344.06
Clothing not knitted or crocheted	31.75	2.70	156.29	107.68
Other textile articles and worn clothing	11.18	0.84	47.51	45.94
Footwear, gaiters and parts	28.50	0.77	193.93	119.04
Headgear and parts thereof	1.40	0.44	7.16	9.24
Umbrellas, walking sticks, whips and riding-crops	0.10	-	0.40	0.27
Feathers, down and articles thereof; artificial flowers	1.14	0.02	3.38	6.12
Articles of stone, plaster, cement and asbestos	11.11	1.13	57.85	34.51
Ceramic products	2.48	6.42	23.10	21.16
Glass and glassware	8.35	0.80	69.74	26.97
Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, imitation jewelry	45.09	0.64	270.82	131.76
Iron and steel	65.24	2.74	296.84	129.65
Articles of iron or steel	81.86	20.03	538.44	336.39
Copper and articles thereof	16.75	3.18	44.47	78.90
Nickel and articles thereof	0.67	0.24	7.06	2.25
Aluminum and articles thereof	10.61	1.28	44.87	30.51
Lead and articles thereof	0.03	-	0.31	0.05
Zinc and articles thereof	1.00	1.40	6.74	7.64
Tin and articles thereof	0.35	0.35	3.85	2.38
Other base metals and articles thereof	0.05	0.01	1.95	0.73
Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks	36.97	5.33	188.13	35.32
Miscellaneous articles of base metal	15.53	3.68	61.49	59.20
Boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; nuclear reactors	507.58	305.63	3,275.19	2,885.57
Electrical machinery; sound and television recorders	357.69	120.93	1,669.68	704.90
Locomotives, rolling-stock, railway track fixtures and fittings	4.14	0.81	24.74	21.80
Vehicles other than railway or tramway rolling stock	1,610.84	795.63	7,812.68	4,938.31

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof	263.15	21.37	1,067.41	632.15
Ships, boats and floating structures	2.72	0.01	12.69	2.95
Optical, photographic, cinematographic and medical instruments	76.19	21.36	389.76	195.75
Clocks and watches and parts thereof	6.01	0.64	18.51	12.68
Musical instruments; parts and accessories	0.10	0.01	0.80	0.32
Furniture; bedding, mattresses, cushions; lamps, prefabricated buildings	62.41	3.13	281.00	201.15
Toys, games and sports requisites and parts	7.82	0.80	37.44	24.81
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	13.04	0.60	55.94	31.99
Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	68.98	-	541.83	73.68
Special classification provisions	16.22	1.16	76.90	50.86

Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration  
The data for 2020 are preliminary



**Table 7: Imports by Harmonized System Classification, (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>7,102</b>	<b>42,091</b>	<b>42,240</b>
Live animals	9.02	48.54	55.74	81.81
Meat and edible offal	86.82	77.66	342.63	311.56
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	3.42	1.69	16.18	16.70
Dairy produce, birds eggs and honey	179.97	155.16	759.55	796.99
Products of animal origin, n.e.s.	0.02	0.17	0.22	0.21
Live trees, plants; bulbs, roots and cut flowers	0.23	0.63	1.68	3.09
Edible vegetables and roots	21.58	16.97	112.06	120.37
Edible fruit, nuts	34.13	26.95	181.22	200.80
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	7.39	4.41	34.76	34.98
Cereals	11.35	135.51	209.54	407.79
Products of the milling industry	4.12	6.84	16.56	29.56
Oil seeds; grains, seeds and fruits	117.93	74.17	418.08	416.89
Lac; gums, resins and other vegetable saps	1.39	1.40	10.11	12.49
Vegetable plaiting materials	0.43	0.19	1.61	1.06
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	37.70	14.83	175.79	106.60
Preparations of meat, of fish or of crustaceans	4.27	3.83	19.42	16.92
Sugars and sugar confectionery	5.78	5.57	33.54	35.56
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	9.30	5.04	42.65	33.77
Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk	68.16	60.23	329.80	373.90
Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	35.80	34.28	214.76	176.43
Miscellaneous edible preparations	17.73	94.44	88.19	193.42
Beverages, spirits and vinegar	8.07	3.13	31.88	21.56
Residues and waste from the food industries	6.79	19.14	139.49	87.92
Tobacco and manufactured substitutes	0.02	-	0.07	0.05
Salt; sulfur; earths and stone	69.50	37.58	311.30	294.02
Ores, slag and ash	106.51	47.74	1,215.77	1,205.38
Mineral fuels and mineral oils	72.36	22.92	745.66	197.40

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Inorganic chemicals	1,119.34	49.48	3,976.67	711.11
Organic chemicals	57.69	31.81	212.25	205.83
Pharmaceutical products	229.34	180.57	912.35	978.27
Fertilizers	3.80	4.20	27.75	18.14
Tanning extracts; dyes and paints	26.98	13.57	146.43	135.32
Essential oils; perfumery and cosmetics	33.30	10.06	136.94	135.37
Soap, washing preparations, waxes and candles	79.48	46.28	396.26	440.60
Modified starches and glues	5.24	5.09	24.30	27.11
Explosives; pyrotechnic products and matches	2.06	1.21	6.58	8.68
Photographic or cinematographic goods	1.35	1.32	7.92	6.70
Miscellaneous chemical products	92.86	105.35	411.82	730.01
Plastics and articles thereof	311.76	163.83	1,502.31	1,178.25
Rubber and articles thereof	74.69	57.31	261.16	283.42
Raw hides and skins and leather	0.81	0.17	6.05	2.96
Articles of leather; saddlery; travel goods and handbags	4.74	6.83	16.94	39.78
Furskins and artificial fur	-	-	0.08	0.10
Wood, articles of wood and charcoal	11.18	9.35	72.20	53.10
Cork and articles of cork	0.04	0.05	1.09	0.52
Manufactures of straw, basketware and wickerwork	0.20	0.05	1.37	0.90
Pulp of wood; waste and scrap of paper	68.09	107.29	359.52	370.10
Paper; articles of paper pulp and paperboard	49.71	47.67	225.10	260.17
Printed books, newspapers and pictures	2.75	6.78	31.70	131.22
Silk	0.19	2.26	5.58	7.14
Wool, animal hair and woven fabric	0.11	0.18	0.70	0.91
Cotton	0.35	0.21	8.90	6.40
Other vegetable textile fibers and paper yarn	0.01	-	0.46	0.06
Man-made filaments	7.71	1.77	29.46	13.60
Man-made staple fibers	1.32	0.50	10.62	8.03
Wadding, felt; twine, cordage, ropes and cables	7.16	9.69	30.76	39.66
Carpets and textile floor coverings	4.63	0.58	17.68	10.40

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Woven fabrics; textile fabrics; lace and , tapestries	0.28	0.59	2.60	2.24
Coated, covered or laminated textile fabrics	4.34	2.22	16.77	19.94
Knitted or crocheted fabrics	0.44	0.09	2.56	1.49
Clothing, knitted or crocheted	10.97	2.44	48.88	18.09
Clothing not knitted or crocheted	23.87	26.71	90.13	100.97
Other textile articles and worn clothing	5.70	122.84	28.34	282.42
Footwear, gaiters and parts	8.88	5.86	47.19	32.38
Headgear and parts thereof	4.71	5.41	7.80	13.42
Umbrellas, walking sticks, whips and riding-crops	0.07	0.05	0.59	0.39
Feathers, down and articles thereof; artificial flowers	0.08	0.10	0.34	0.44
Articles of stone, plaster, cement and asbestos	63.33	28.41	309.21	217.24
Ceramic products	10.18	22.04	78.25	88.79
Glass and glassware	44.17	21.76	226.74	184.07
Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, imitation jewelry	103.32	167.34	793.75	2,356.38
Iron and steel	282.07	393.32	1,239.50	1,645.08
Articles of iron or steel	470.44	323.25	1,763.11	2,096.31
Copper and articles thereof	584.39	483.16	3,197.26	3,081.49
Nickel and articles thereof	16.01	13.03	63.38	75.74
Aluminum and articles thereof	49.96	35.83	199.83	206.10
Lead and articles thereof	4.89	4.93	21.96	18.02
Zinc and articles thereof	19.35	14.88	108.56	103.35
Tin and articles thereof	0.28	0.09	1.02	0.30
Other base metals and articles thereof	3.60	13.12	26.88	50.07
Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks	21.74	14.70	108.31	85.38
Miscellaneous articles of base metal	14.87	8.39	84.72	60.79
Boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; nuclear reactors	720.34	1,469.13	3,742.98	7,411.80
Electrical machinery; sound and television recorders	491.33	370.28	2,157.13	2,239.84
Locomotives, rolling-stock, railway track fixtures and fittings	8.58	4.81	21.03	27.28
Vehicles other than railway or tramway rolling stock	1,035.50	1,230.32	6,899.75	7,158.57

Commodities	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof	210.09	245.15	1,370.96	913.67
Ships, boats and floating structures	109.32	10.34	510.15	678.18
Optical, photographic, cinematographic and medical instruments	157.77	193.26	1,188.94	1,215.86
Clocks and watches and parts thereof	24.31	39.15	94.30	110.83
Musical instruments; parts and accessories	0.59	0.16	2.44	1.28
Furniture; bedding, mattresses, cushions; lamps, prefabricated buildings	34.60	41.00	139.82	165.76
Toys, games and sports requisites and parts	6.92	2.44	24.50	19.24
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	33.45	21.89	164.17	180.64
Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	0.78	0.41	2,941.45	381.54
Special classification provisions	2.29	1.00	16.85	13.13

Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration  
The data for 2020 are preliminary

**Table 8: Non-oil exports by country in (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Countries	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,943</b>	<b>4,863</b>	<b>24,994</b>	<b>23,200</b>
Saudi Arabia	2,530.19	711.24	11,429.78	7,893.84
Switzerland	0.73	2,009.87	1,207.48	3,697.04
China	225.19	251.69	1,454.71	1,757.13
Hong Kong	99.26	728.99	132.75	1,349.84
Kuwait	421.24	99.90	1,770.64	1,159.68
United States of America	314.36	71.90	1,078.26	846.22
India	132.33	155.49	1,697.52	837.40
Oman	130.82	133.10	588.74	812.50
Kingdom of Bahrain	214.21	45.01	919.03	537.35
Egypt	31.28	76.03	419.94	467.81
Jordan	120.47	51.91	546.67	441.75
Singapore	56.39	21.82	470.00	381.68
Yemen	72.38	59.23	323.87	312.28
Netherlands	52.73	81.16	466.79	279.67
Bangladesh	46.96	17.64	244.10	269.71
Malaysia	46.03	16.13	126.76	223.01
Pakistan	28.50	20.48	247.48	185.99
Turkey	33.44	20.77	128.31	164.84
Australia	21.41	24.53	108.92	151.77
Belgium	14.94	25.16	47.95	85.87
Kenya	21.89	11.36	112.55	85.48
Thailand	5.03	10.08	33.08	81.94
Iraq	14.30	11.23	66.56	78.64
Syrian Arab Republic	12.16	7.37	64.15	71.36
Spain	12.12	9.74	65.70	66.39
United Kingdom	22.88	20.00	50.23	65.90
Viet Nam	7.80	18.05	69.12	62.88
Sudan	8.65	11.37	50.41	59.84
Canada	5.52	0.85	45.66	54.99
Indonesia	2.04	18.69	28.04	45.78
Tanzania	7.38	10.92	53.31	44.66

Countries	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Algeria	19.63	24.68	49.43	43.36
Philippines	11.04	2.95	30.26	39.08
Japan	17.12	5.13	29.66	37.56
Germany	12.58	1.48	50.98	37.08
France	11.13	0.96	41.52	34.84
South Africa	38.99	1.56	132.11	31.98
Tunisia	16.40	6.77	70.74	31.43
Russian Federation	0.78	7.60	13.60	25.52
Morocco	1.84	2.18	32.12	25.17
State of Palestine	8.93	3.10	34.17	24.84
Italy	15.83	2.96	60.15	23.09
Uganda	2.30	4.33	23.95	22.93
Mexico	3.26	1.95	42.14	21.35
Taiwan	0.52	4.64	26.98	18.67
Colombia	1.92	0.68	8.90	15.45
Sri Lanka	1.82	2.64	18.39	14.36
Nepal	1.61	4.31	15.69	14.10
Lebanon	9.16	2.56	57.78	13.97
New Zealand	1.74	5.16	3.50	13.15
Ethiopia	0.57	1.47	20.80	12.01
Djibouti	26.07	0.26	43.24	8.96
Nigeria	1.45	2.18	12.38	8.28
Myanmar	0.94	0.90	4.40	7.67
Peru	-	1.11	4.87	7.49
Libya	0.11	-	0.32	4.49
Somalia	3.01	0.22	4.24	4.35
Ukraine	0.20	1.62	7.30	3.94
Brazil	3.99	0.40	15.61	3.68
Greece	3.17	0.42	7.51	3.21
Romania	-	0.54	0.93	3.09
Chile	1.12	-	3.57	3.02
Mauritius	0.12	-	1.17	2.98
Uzbekistan	-	2.59	0.01	2.74
Others	12.84	13.76	76.75	62.45

Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration  
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**Table 9: Re-exports by country, (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Countries	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,284</b>	<b>1,792</b>	<b>21,535</b>	<b>14,793</b>
Saudi Arabia	1,487.55	749.47	6,704.91	5,594.41
Kuwait	563.70	84.53	2,533.54	1,381.78
Kingdom of Bahrain	247.73	38.60	1,365.77	709.46
Yemen	120.49	91.81	619.04	510.92
Oman	83.24	55.33	400.74	373.73
China	130.01	238.03	1,257.15	298.11
Jordan	89.92	20.25	411.81	296.26
Sudan	64.18	1.50	313.17	173.63
India	34.43	0.56	321.97	143.86
Bangladesh	37.44	0.07	267.78	137.57
United States of America	25.46	23.52	49.22	99.01
Italy	1.90	0.04	7.97	94.76
Singapore	4.19	-	19.25	77.17
Germany	55.09	0.31	78.91	76.58
Ireland	0.05	-	0.32	74.45
Egypt	16.61	0.73	76.40	55.23
Iraq	23.23	3.70	125.25	54.21
Djibouti	21.29	-	113.74	41.74
Spain	0.65	-	21.21	39.95
Turkmenistan	0.68	6.02	23.94	32.74
United Kingdom	20.53	0.34	153.06	28.57
Chad	4.33	-	28.04	19.08
Malaysia	8.04	1.34	27.13	18.91
Switzerland	0.49	0.45	1.91	16.70
Belgium	0.06	0.21	14.82	15.98
Chile	4.10	1.32	11.60	13.51
Hong Kong	0.11	2.58	2.89	12.66
Uzbekistan	0.35	8.08	1.18	10.10
Netherlands	17.41	0.58	25.96	9.99
Brazil	0.02	0.16	0.10	7.82
South Korea	0.14	3.92	11.65	4.91
Lebanon	3.58	0.07	17.93	4.62

Countries	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Ethiopia	0.98	-	14.81	4.55
Canada	18.79	1.97	26.59	4.23
Australia	0.25	0.23	3.51	3.53
Libya	-	0.09	4.46	3.48
Syrian Arab Republic	2.48	1.29	14.76	3.44
France	4.85	0.60	13.34	2.95
Pakistan	0.36	0.34	3.57	2.75
Sweden	1.21	-	2.14	2.38
Eritrea	0.02	-	0.08	2.24
Poland	0.29	-	2.13	2.17
State of Palestine	1.62	0.07	11.36	2.16
Sri Lanka	0.01	-	19.13	1.70
Philippines	0.50	0.21	1.47	1.58
Nigeria	-	-	0.09	1.46
Serbia	9.60	0.02	36.38	1.41
Mexico	-	0.01	0.23	1.38
Denmark	0.04	0.03	2.90	1.36
Cameroon	0.04	-	0.05	1.30
Indonesia	0.44	0.07	1.52	1.18
Burkina Faso	-	1.00	-	1.00
Algeria	0.43	-	4.00	0.95
Tunisia	0.98	0.20	3.70	0.78
Thailand	0.36	0.01	1.25	0.74
Morocco	2.81	-	27.15	0.73
Others	1,170.63	452.04	6,332.45	4,315.41

Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration  
The data for 2020 are preliminary



**Table 10: Imports by country, (Jan-May) and May, 2019-2020**

Value in million AED

Countries	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>7,102</b>	<b>42,091</b>	<b>42,240</b>
United States of America	741.52	1,203.58	4,210.73	5,208.62
Japan	727.18	1,070.34	4,399.56	4,767.51
Saudi Arabia	1,100.42	494.24	5,275.36	4,424.78
China	393.28	916.10	2,709.67	3,662.65
United Kingdom	146.32	166.87	951.43	2,953.05
Congo	462.97	374.17	2,478.90	2,562.91
Germany	407.86	202.66	1,785.29	2,046.64
India	216.69	193.58	1,567.58	1,867.56
France	206.50	124.21	1,919.51	1,225.92
South Korea	102.24	262.72	401.02	1,108.45
Italy	225.72	179.71	945.36	1,021.23
Oman	59.07	165.87	457.64	860.33
Brazil	94.40	139.59	716.45	668.44
Thailand	92.28	37.85	542.73	646.36
Kingdom of Bahrain	155.97	65.97	1,059.37	540.47
Australia	952.98	77.54	3,310.32	502.65
Sweden	31.06	34.56	295.79	451.95
Spain	82.32	139.48	508.17	416.26
Indonesia	89.86	60.10	417.71	359.53
Egypt	63.29	30.39	292.89	344.71
Singapore	30.62	42.66	206.59	343.62
Netherlands	164.38	53.12	342.71	335.29
Turkey	43.77	47.63	197.44	296.56
Mexico	46.07	89.99	176.34	293.64
Russian Federation	77.46	104.30	2,206.11	272.94
Denmark	64.77	35.91	275.12	269.93
Ukraine	14.16	13.80	168.67	259.29
Canada	31.96	29.87	233.95	257.48
Austria	44.83	21.14	189.45	247.53
Switzerland	93.97	36.22	285.70	243.97
Kazakhstan	45.66	30.85	277.31	239.60
Guinea	29.99	0.21	107.27	238.00

Countries	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Jordan	64.92	26.57	260.88	237.25
Taiwan	28.41	32.29	136.17	196.49
Hong Kong	73.20	30.66	376.68	192.48
Sudan	6.99	8.09	36.05	166.94
Benin	-	164.96	0.01	164.96
Belgium	21.10	18.46	131.30	164.53
Malaysia	40.50	19.74	137.36	159.27
Viet Nam	65.27	5.29	159.56	148.44
Argentina	30.31	11.25	122.21	142.30
Poland	36.38	17.98	146.14	123.72
Kuwait	42.19	7.10	250.91	121.91
Ireland	22.41	33.96	82.92	107.57
South Africa	12.98	14.83	132.34	102.87
Lebanon	3.90	6.42	59.84	96.38
Norway	19.34	13.42	188.42	95.93
Finland	8.42	6.32	91.56	86.55
Slovakia	14.00	2.43	63.82	83.38
Pakistan	10.44	23.33	34.64	79.99
Romania	23.03	20.58	83.22	76.54
Hungary	2.04	6.52	24.60	74.92
New Zealand	7.08	23.51	24.70	74.74
Czechia	11.56	10.94	69.59	70.23
Chile	15.14	22.13	90.08	58.07
Zambia	25.15	15.98	85.52	48.03
Uruguay	1.13	46.25	1.19	46.25
Islamic Republic Of Iran	0.04	9.76	44.11	35.35
Greece	2.52	8.38	17.66	26.33
Serbia	1.18	0.81	10.92	25.31
Portugal	6.92	5.03	30.83	24.72
Puerto Rico	7.65	0.01	18.66	24.22
Philippines	3.70	2.35	16.67	19.01
Syrian Arab Republic	3.17	2.29	13.91	18.78
Estonia	0.58	3.09	8.46	15.60
Bulgaria	2.09	1.11	9.61	15.19
Yemen	3.03	3.17	12.40	14.98

Countries	May		Jan-May	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
State of Palestine	3.80	0.13	30.94	14.63
Luxembourg	1.40	1.60	13.95	13.98
Tunisia	6.15	2.51	16.98	13.51
Morocco	4.42	0.59	14.96	12.82
Paraguay	0.05	-	20.13	9.80
Cyprus	0.13	4.69	0.90	7.82
Kenya	0.14	2.41	4.12	5.86
Sri Lanka	0.65	0.49	4.95	5.61
Ethiopia	0.01	1.38	0.18	4.91
Slovenia	3.20	0.67	9.14	4.89
Croatia	4.17	1.72	5.46	4.42
Lithuania	1.48	2.08	4.51	4.30
Peru	0.29	0.77	3.01	3.31
Belarus	0.63	1.56	10.46	3.26
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1.82	1.48	4.11	2.96
Colombia	0.32	0.97	1.62	2.60
Gambia	-	2.36	-	2.36
Uzbekistan	1.89	0.20	2.37	1.86
Bangladesh	0.91	0.38	3.74	1.35
Latvia	0.30	0.03	1.88	1.11
Malta	0.12	0.27	0.91	1.09
Others	12.28	5.87	51.99	40.08

Source: Department of Finance – Customs Administration  
The data for 2020 are preliminary

## Explanatory notes

### Technical notes

#### Data source

Data are obtained from Department of Finance – Customs Administration. The data are processed and passed to Statistic Centre – Abu Dhabi for further editing, compilation and reclassified according to statistical classifications for foreign trade.

#### Valuation

In line with the World Customs Organization (WCO) agreement on valuation:

- Exports (including re-exports) are valued free on board (fob), which represents the value at the export border, and includes inland freight costs and packaging
- Imports are valued on the cost insurance and freight (c.i.f.) basis, which represents the value at the import border, and includes the additional cost of freight and insurance in transporting the goods internationally

#### Revision Policy

Monthly estimates of Foreign Trade are released on the following schedule: “Preliminary” estimates, based on administrative data that are incomplete or subject to further revision by the source agency, are released near the end of the second month after the end of the reference month. No further updates are incorporated into the monthly Foreign Trade until the source finalize its data four months after the end of the reference calendar year.

These revisions are necessary to incorporate definition and classification changes or to reflect the introduction of new and improved methodologies and new data.

#### New methods, definitions, techniques, systems, guidelines, classifications

Changes due to the introduction of a new method, guidelines, technique or classification system can lead to revisions after the time series data have been finalized. For instance, in 2019, the methodology for the registration of customs data of exports and re-exports was modified by the Customs Department to include all goods exported from the ports of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi regardless of the source of those goods. The non-oil exports series was revised for 2015-2020 to provide users with an updated statistical time series of Foreign Trade data.

## Notes on Tables

- Changes (levels and %) in all tables are based on unrounded numbers.
- Relative importance is calculated as the ratio between the value of the sub-group and the total value for all groups, expressed as a percentage.
- Totals in some tables may not add up due to rounding.
- The data for 2020 are preliminary.

## Symbols used

‘-’ nil or rounded to zero

‘.’ Not applicable

n.e.s. denotes ‘not elsewhere specified’

## Glossary

This publication contains certain terms specific to foreign merchandise trade and necessary when analyzing the trade statistics of Abu Dhabi Emirate. They include the following terms:

### Classifications

The non-oil foreign merchandise trade statistics are presented in accordance with the two main internationally recommended output classifications: Harmonized System (HS) and Broad Economic Categories (BEC).

If users require statistics by the detailed Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS), these are available from SCAD on request. The HS is an input classification, and is the basis on which traders record goods with Customs.

### Merchandise Trade

Foreign Merchandise Trade statistics record goods, which add to or subtract from the stock of material resources of Abu Dhabi by entering or leaving its territory. Throughout this publication, the term merchandise trade statistics refers to trade which moves through the ports of Abu Dhabi only, and do not capture inter-emirate trade activity.

### Imports

Imports are goods that enter Abu Dhabi’s customs and economic district from various parts of the world, excluding other emirates in the United Arab Emirates, and receive customs clearance. Goods are considered imports regardless of whether they enter the Emirate directly or are retrieved from customs warehouses, temporary entry areas or free zones inside the country. These goods receive customs clearance in order to become part of Abu Dhabi’s merchandise balance.

### **Re-exports**

Re-exports represent goods that are imported from abroad, enter Abu Dhabi's customs and economic district and become part of the Emirate's merchandise balance. These goods are then re-exported as they are, without any modification, outside the country.

### **Non-oil Exports**

Non-oil exports include goods that are entirely produced locally or in whose production process local resources are used. Non-oil exports through the ports of Abu Dhabi include goods that were produced in other Emirates in the United Arab Emirates. Oil is excluded from these goods. These goods leave Abu Dhabi's customs and economic district to the outside world, reducing the Emirate's non-oil merchandise trade deficit.

### **Total of Exports**

The total of exports is the total value of non-oil exports and re-exported goods.

### **Net trade**

The net trade is measured as the total value of exported goods minus the total value of imported goods. When the total exports value is greater than the value of imports, there is a trade surplus, and when imports are greater than total exports there is a trade deficit.

### **Preliminary estimates**

Estimates that have been calculated using only secondary data sources and methods. Users of this data should be aware that preliminary estimates will be revised when primary data sources become available for that time period.

### **More information**

For more information about foreign trade and other official statistics for Abu Dhabi Emirate, please visit the statistics link on the SCAD website at <http://www.scad.gov.ae>



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