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Non-oil Merchandise Trade

Through the Ports of Abu Dhabi Emirate

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Introduction

This report presents statistics on the value of non-oil 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 June 2012. It should be noted that the goods captured in the report do not belong entirely to the Emirate of Abu Dhabi and do not fully represent Abu Dhabi non-oil merchandise trade as some of these goods might belong to other Emirates. This report does not record Abu Dhabi trade through ports of the other Emirates.

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 report highlights the relative importance of each individual component of imports, non-oil exports and re-exports.

The data are presented according to the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC), Revision 4, the Broad Economic Categories (BEC), and by country. In addition, a monthly time series of historical data for total imports, non-oil exports and re-exports is presented.

The Explanatory Notes section at the end of this report defines the key terms and technical concepts used in the compilation of non-oil merchandise trade statistics.

Readers are encouraged to refer to that section while reading the statistics and information outlined in the report.

Key Points

Monthly non-oil merchandise trade, June 2012

The total value of non-oil merchandise trade in June 2012 was AED 10,486 million, with imports of AED 8,035 million (76.6% of total), non-oil exports of AED 1,253 million (11.9% of total) and re-exports at AED 1,199 million (11.4% of total).

The June 2012 total decreased by AED 1,666 million (-13.7%) compared with May 2012, with imports decreasing by AED 1,547 million (-16.1%) and re-exports by AED 161 million (-11.8%), while non-oil exports increased by AED 43 million (3.5%) over the period.

A year on year comparison (June 2011 to June 2012) shows a decrease of AED 1,312 million (-11.1%) in total trade, with imports decreasing by AED 505 million (-5.9%) and non-oil exports by AED 1,009 million (-44.6%), while the value of re-exports increased AED 202 million (20.3%) over the same period.

Non-oil merchandise trade, June 2012

Value in million AED

	June 2011	May 2012	June 2012	Change (%)	
				June 2011 to June 2012	May 2012 to June 2012
Imports	8,540	9,582	8,035	-5.9	-16.1
Non-oil exports	2,262	1,210	1,253	-44.6	3.5
Re-exports	997	1,360	1,199	20.3	-11.8
Total	11,798	12,152	10,486	-11.1	-13.7

Source: Abu Dhabi Department of Finance – Customs Administration
The data for 2012 are preliminary estimates, and may be revised

Non-oil merchandise trade from May 2012 to June 2012

An analysis of non-oil merchandise trade data by Standard International Trade Classification (SITC), shown in the attached Statistical Table 1 for May 2012 to June 2012, reveals the following:

- The value of total imports decreased 16.1%, with decreases of AED 1,138 million (-24.5%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”, AED 137 million (-27.7%) in “Miscellaneous manufactured items” and AED 101 million (-4.3%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material”.
- The value of non-oil exports increased 3.5%, with increases of AED 94 million (24.7%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material” being partially offset by a decrease of AED 41 million (-69.7%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”.
- The value of re-exports decreased 11.8%, with decreases of AED 114 million (-12.5%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”, AED 33 million (-24.6%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material” and AED 29 million (-15.0%) in “Miscellaneous manufactured items”.

Non-oil merchandise trade from June 2011 to June 2012

An analysis of the SITC data from June 2011 to June 2012 highlights that during the period:

- The value of imports decreased by 5.9%, with a decrease of AED 335 million (-48.5%) in “Miscellaneous manufactured items” being partially offset by increases of AED 106 million (5.0%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material” and AED 75 million (11.3%) in “Chemicals and related products”.
- The value of non-oil exports decreased by 44.6%, with a decrease of AED 1,673 million (-98.9%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”, mainly due to a floating drilling platform in the non-oil exports for June 2011. The overall decrease in non-oil exports was partially offset by an increase of AED 407 million (>100%) in “Chemicals and related products” and AED 238 million (>100%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material”.
- The value of re-exports increased by 20.3%, with increases of AED 143 million (21.7%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”, AED 35 million (51.1%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material” and AED 28 million (59.1%) in “Chemicals and related products”.

Non-oil merchandise trade by country, June 2012

An analysis of non-oil merchandise trade data by the top 5 countries for June 2012, shown in Statistical Table 3, reveals the following:

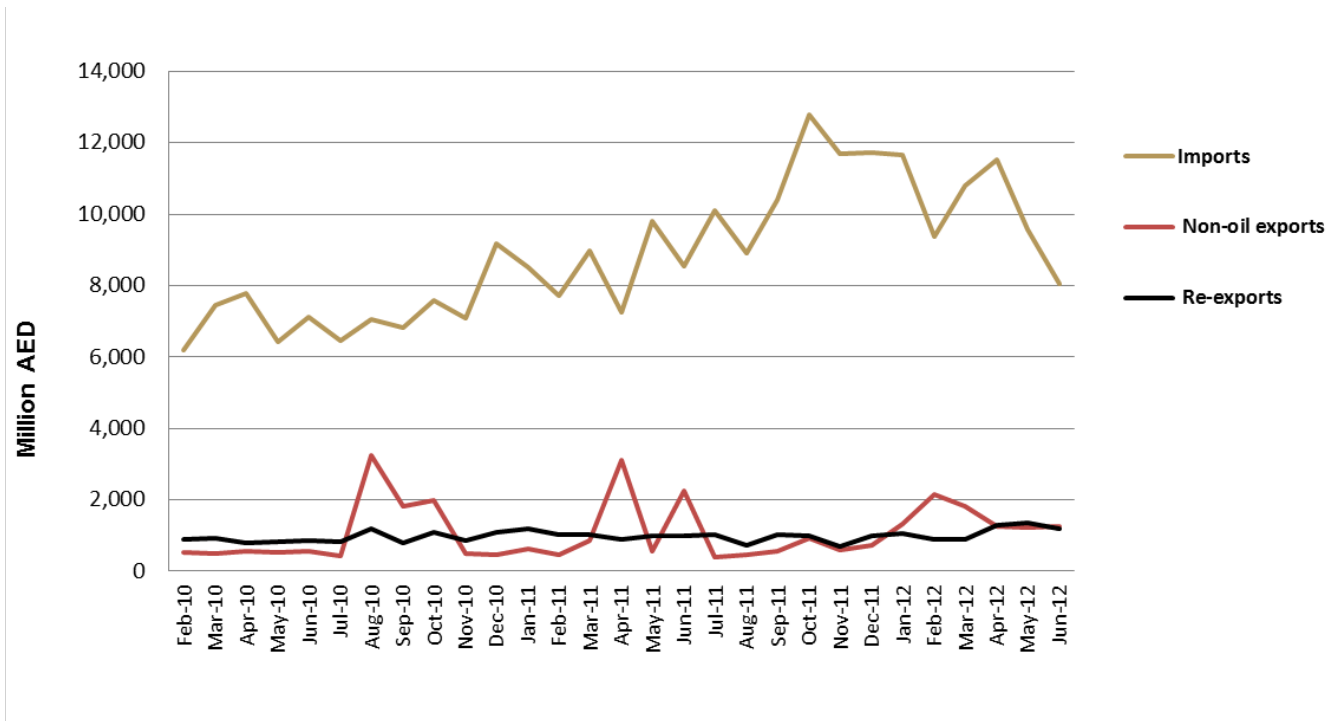
- The three main countries of origin for imports were Saudi Arabia (AED 1,040 million), South Korea (AED 812 million) and USA (AED 791 million). These three countries represented 32.9% of total imports.
- For non-oil exports, the top three countries of destination were Saudi Arabia (AED 392 million), China (AED 313 million) and Singapore (AED 135 million). These three countries represented 67.1% of total non-oil exports.
- The three main countries of destination for re-exports were Bahrain (AED 320 million), Saudi Arabia (AED 256 million) and Qatar (AED 170 million). These three countries represented 62.3% of total re-exports.

Monthly non-oil merchandise trade historical series, January 2010 to June 2012

Figure 1 shows the monthly historical series for imports, non-oil exports and re-exports from January 2010 to June 2012. The detailed data is shown in the attached Statistical Table 4.

The largest totals recorded are AED 12,777 million for imports (October 2011), AED 3,261 million for non-oil exports (August 2010) and AED 1,360 million for re-exports (May 2012).

Figure 1: Monthly non-oil merchandise trade, January 2010 to June 2012



Source: Abu Dhabi Department of Finance – Customs Administration
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Statistical Tables

Table 1: Non-oil merchandise trade by Standard International Trade Classification (SITC), June 2012

Value in million AED

Commodities	June 2011	May 2012	June 2012	Change (%) *	
				June 2011 to June 2012	May 2012 to June 2012
Imports					
Machinery and transport equipment	3,461	4,644	3,506	1.3	-24.5
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,127	2,334	2,233	5.0	-4.3
Chemicals and related products	661	751	736	11.3	-2.1
Food and live animals	612	564	604	-1.3	7.1
Miscellaneous manufactured items	690	492	355	-48.5	-27.7
Other	989	797	601	-39.3	-24.6
Total imports	8,540	9,582	8,035	-5.9	-16.1
Non-oil exports					
Chemicals and related products	261	677	668	>100	-1.4
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	238	382	476	>100	24.7
Food and live animals	19	35	28	49.1	-20.7
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	25	20	27	8.7	38.6
Machinery and transport equipment	1,691	59	18	-98.9	-69.7
Other	28	37	36	28.8	-4.1
Total non-oil exports	2,262	1,210	1,253	-44.6	3.5
Re-exports					
Machinery and transport equipment	661	918	804	21.7	-12.5
Miscellaneous manufactured items	153	190	161	5.5	-15.0
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	67	135	102	51.1	-24.6
Chemicals and related products	46	66	74	59.1	12.0
Commodities not classified elsewhere	56	43	46	-18.0	6.7
Other	13	8	12	-7.0	54.6
Total re-exports	997	1,360	1,199	20.3	-11.8

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

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* Changes in % are based on unrounded numbers

Table 2: Non-oil merchandise trade by Broad Economic Category (BEC), June 2012

Value in million AED

Commodities	June 2011	May 2012	June 2012	Change (%) *	
				June 2011 to June 2012	May 2012 to June 2012
Imports					
Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified	3,743	3,715	3,286	-12.2	-11.5
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	1,835	2,463	2,059	12.2	-16.4
Transport equipment and parts	1,638	2,059	1,408	-14.0	-31.6
Consumer goods not elsewhere specified	456	676	604	32.5	-10.7
Food and Beverages	510	526	565	10.9	7.5
Other	358	144	112	-68.7	-21.9
Total imports	8,540	9,582	8,035	-5.9	-16.1
Non-oil exports					
Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified	484	1,057	1,138	>100	7.7
Food and Beverages	52	64	63	22.5	-1.5
Consumer goods not elsewhere specified	32	26	29	-9.0	14.3
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	1,689	35	11	-99.3	-67.3
Transport equipment and parts	4	26	8	93.1	-69.7
Other	1	2	2	>100	-7.6
Total non-oil exports	2,262	1,210	1,253	-44.6	3.5
Re-exports					
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	406	585	518	27.6	-11.4
Consumer goods not elsewhere specified	336	307	305	-9.2	-0.7
Transport equipment and parts	174	321	242	39.2	-24.6
Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified	71	141	123	74.2	-12.4
Other	10	7	11	4.5	54.0
Total re-exports	997	1,360	1,199	20.3	-11.8

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

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Table 3: Non-oil merchandise trade by country, June 2012

Value in million AED

Country	June 2011	May 2012	June 2012	Change (%) *	
				June 2011 to June 2012	May 2012 to June 2012
Imports					
Saudi Arabia	1,068	1,092	1,040	-2.6	-4.8
South Korea	698	865	812	16.2	-6.2
USA	1,137	1,084	791	-30.5	-27.0
Italy	549	555	642	16.9	15.7
Japan	331	793	577	74.0	-27.3
Other	4,756	5,193	4,173	-12.3	-19.6
Total imports	8,540	9,582	8,035	-5.9	-16.1
Exports					
Saudi Arabia	211	278	392	85.6	41.3
China	61	307	313	>100	1.9
Singapore	7	144	135	>100	-5.8
Qatar	38	75	67	75.1	-11.0
India	38	57	64	70.1	13.2
Other	1,906	350	281	-85.3	-19.6
Total non-oil exports	2,262	1,210	1,253	-44.6	3.5
Re-exports					
Bahrain	288	326	320	11.3	-1.7
Saudi Arabia	166	227	256	54.1	12.7
Qatar	155	174	170	9.9	-2.3
Kuwait	89	191	143	61.8	-25.0
Jordan	36	36	51	39.8	43.0
Other	263	406	258	-1.8	-36.4
Total re-exports	997	1,360	1,199	20.3	-11.8

Source: Abu Dhabi Department of Finance – Customs Administration

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Table 4: Non-oil merchandise trade historical series

Value in million AED

Month	Imports	Non-oil Exports	Re-exports	Total Non-oil Trade
2010				
January	7,438	492	787	8,717
February	6,187	521	910	7,617
March	7,439	507	932	8,879
April	7,777	547	802	9,127
May	6,437	538	829	7,803
June	7,107	558	877	8,543
July	6,461	420	831	7,712
August	7,057	3,261	1,185	11,504
September	6,830	1,838	806	9,473
October	7,584	1,976	1,091	10,650
November	7,085	493	861	8,440
December	9,172	460	1,080	10,711
2011				
January	8,506	642	1,183	10,331
February	7,719	473	1,019	9,211
March	8,983	872	1,040	10,895
April	7,271	3,109	906	11,286
May	9,800	578	992	11,371
June	8,540	2,262	997	11,798
July	10,093	408	1,039	11,540
August	8,908	449	727	10,083
September	10,387	558	1,012	11,957
October	12,777	924	980	14,681
November	11,706	582	690	12,978
December	11,734	726	985	13,444
2012				
January	11,674	1,328	1,071	14,073
February	9,382	2,146	903	12,431
March	10,794	1,832	898	13,524
April	11,540	1,250	1,290	14,080
May	9,582	1,210	1,360	12,152
June	8,035	1,253	1,199	10,486

Source: Abu Dhabi Department of Finance – Customs Administration
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Explanatory Notes

Glossary

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

Merchandise Trade

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 report, 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 may 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.

Classifications

The non-oil merchandise trade statistics are presented in accordance with the two main internationally recommended output classifications: Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 4 (SITC) and Broad Economic Categories (BEC).

- SITC groups goods according to their level of manufacturing or processing
- BEC groups goods according to their main end use, namely capital, intermediate consumption and consumption goods

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

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 Trade Organization (WTO) 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 (cif) basis, which represents the value at the import border, and includes the additional cost of freight and insurance in transporting the goods internationally

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.

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Symbols Used

“> 100%” rate of change exceeds one hundred per cent.

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.ae>

