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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 July 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, July 2012

The total value of non-oil merchandise trade in July 2012 was AED 11,741 million, with imports of AED 9,420 million (80.2% of total), non-oil exports of AED 1,059 million (9.0% of total) and re-exports at AED 1,262 million (10.7% of total).

The July 2012 total increased by AED 1,255 million (12.0%) compared with June 2012, with imports increasing by AED 1,385 million (17.2%) and re-exports by AED 63 million (5.2%), while non-oil exports decreased by AED 193 million (-15.4%) over the period.

A year on year comparison (July 2011 to July 2012) shows an increase of AED 202 million (1.8%) in total trade, with non-oil exports increasing by AED 651 million (>100%) and re-exports by AED 225 million (21.7%), while the value of imports decreased AED 674 million (-6.7%) over the same period.

Non-oil merchandise trade, July 2012

Value in million AED

	July 2011	June 2012	July 2012	Change (%)	
				July 2011 to July 2012	June 2012 to July 2012
Imports	10,094	8,035	9,420	-6.7	17.2
Non-oil exports	408	1,253	1,059	>100	-15.4
Re-exports	1,037	1,199	1,262	21.7	5.2
Total	11,538	10,486	11,741	1.8	12.0

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

Non-oil merchandise trade from June 2012 to July 2012

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

- The value of total imports increased 17.2%, with increases of AED 1,079 million (30.8%) in “Machinery and transport equipment” and AED 145 million (6.5%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material”.
- The value of non-oil exports decreased 15.4%, with a decreases of AED 286 million (-42.8%) in “Chemicals and related products” being partially offset by an increase of AED 96 million (>100%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”.
- The value of re-exports increased 5.2%, with increases of AED 79 million (9.9%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”, AED 26 million (16.0%) in “Miscellaneous manufactured items” being partially offset by a decrease of AED 43 million (-42.1%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material”.

Non-oil merchandise trade from July 2011 to July 2012

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

- The value of imports decreased by 6.7%, with a decrease of AED 465 million (-16.4%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material” and AED 152 million (-3.2%) in “Machinery and transport equipment” being partially offset by an increase of AED 171 million (28.1%) in “Chemicals and related products”.
- The value of non-oil exports increased by over 100%, with increases of AED 321 million (>100%) in “Chemicals and related products”, AED 209 million (76.4%) in “Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material” and AED 98 million (>100%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”.
- The value of re-exports increased by 21.7%, primarily due to an increase of AED 247 million (38.7%) in “Machinery and transport equipment”.

Non-oil merchandise trade by country, July 2012

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

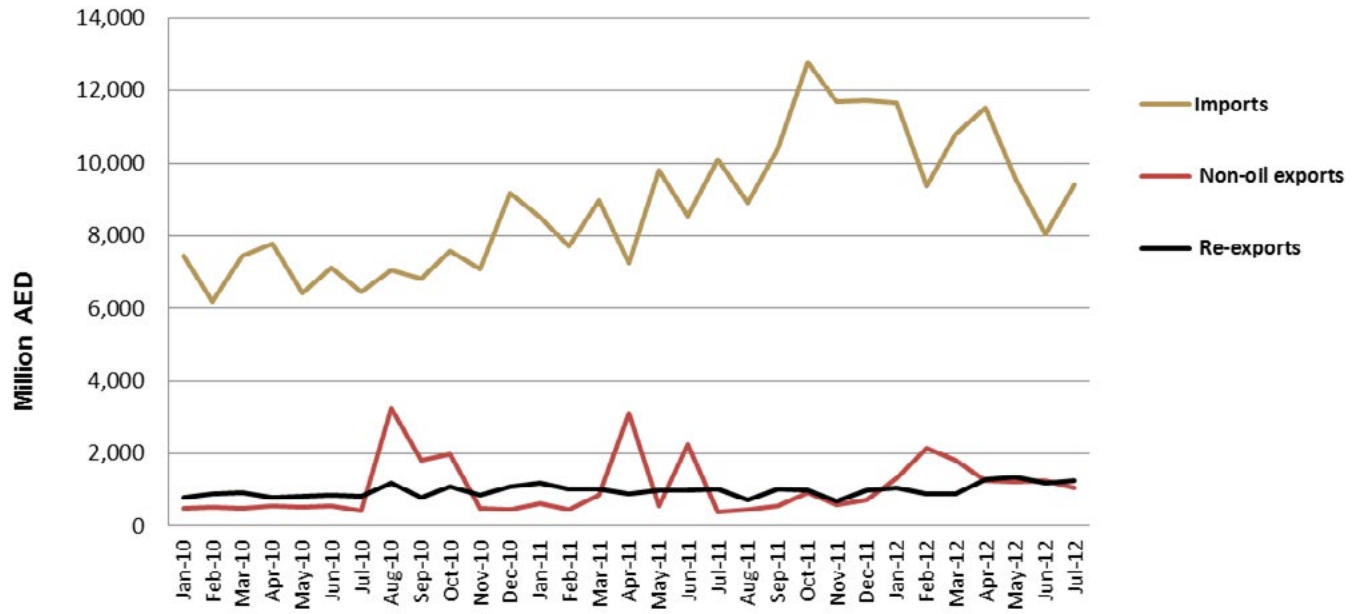
- The three main countries of origin for imports were Saudi Arabia (AED 1,050 million), Italy (AED 1,025 million) and USA (AED 1,020 million). These three countries represented 32.9% of total imports.
- For non-oil exports, the top three countries of destination were Saudi Arabia (AED 390 million), China (AED 105 million) and Azerbaijan (AED 83 million). These three countries represented 54.6% of total non-oil exports.
- The three main countries of destination for re-exports were Bahrain (AED 343 million), Saudi Arabia (AED 278 million) and Qatar (AED 160 million). These three countries represented 61.9% of total re-exports.

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

Figure 1 shows the monthly historical series for imports, non-oil exports and re-exports from January 2010 to July 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 July 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), July 2012

Value in million AED

Commodities	July 2011	June 2012	July 2012	Change (%) *	
				July 2011 to July 2012	June 2012 to July 2012
Imports					
Machinery and transport equipment	4,737	3,506	4,585	-3.2	30.8
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2,843	2,233	2,378	-16.4	6.5
Chemicals and related products	608	736	779	28.1	5.8
Food and live animals	607	604	643	6.0	6.4
Miscellaneous manufactured items	483	355	449	-7.0	26.4
Other	816	601	586	-28.1	-2.4
Total imports	10,094	8,035	9,420	-6.7	17.2
Non-oil exports					
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	274	476	483	76.4	1.5
Chemicals and related products	61	668	382	>100	-42.8
Machinery and transport equipment	17	18	114	>100	>100
Food and live animals	11	28	28	>100	1.8
Miscellaneous manufactured items	18	12	22	26.1	81.0
Other	28	51	29	3.7	-42.7
Total non-oil exports	408	1,253	1,059	>100	-15.4
Re-exports					
Machinery and transport equipment	637	804	883	38.7	9.9
Miscellaneous manufactured items	218	161	187	-14.2	16.0
Chemicals and related products	56	74	63	13.5	-14.7
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	64	102	59	-7.4	-42.1
Commodities not classified elsewhere	54	46	57	6.9	25.2
Other	9	12	12	35.6	-1.4
Total re-exports	1,037	1,199	1,262	21.7	5.2

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

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

Value in million AED

Commodities	July 2011	June 2012	July 2012	Change (%) *	
				July 2011 to July 2012	June 2012 to July 2012
Imports					
Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified	4,072	3,286	3,555	-12.7	8.2
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	2,373	2,059	2,800	18.0	36.0
Transport equipment and parts	2,412	1,408	1,679	-30.4	19.2
Consumer goods not elsewhere specified	543	604	635	16.9	5.0
Food and Beverages	572	565	566	-1.1	0.2
Other	122	112	186	53.0	65.7
Total imports	10,094	8,035	9,420	-6.7	17.2
Non-oil exports					
Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified	322	1,138	848	>100	-25.5
Transport equipment and parts	4	8	90	>100	>100
Consumer goods not elsewhere specified	42	29	40	-4.5	36.1
Food and Beverages	29	63	49	68.2	-23.5
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	9	11	30	>100	>100
Other	3	2	3	-4.0	39.9
Total non-oil exports	408	1,253	1,059	>100	-15.4
Re-exports					
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	399	518	561	40.6	8.3
Consumer goods not elsewhere specified	386	305	311	-19.5	1.9
Transport equipment and parts	162	242	302	87.3	25.1
Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified	81	123	77	-5.0	-37.5
Other	9	11	10	16.8	-5.5
Total re-exports	1,037	1,199	1,262	21.7	5.2

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

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

Value in million AED

Country	July 2011	June 2012	July 2012	Change (%) *	
				July 2011 to July 2012	June 2012 to July 2012
Imports					
Saudi Arabia	1,099	1,040	1,050	-4.5	1.0
Italy	889	642	1,025	15.3	59.6
USA	941	791	1,020	8.4	28.9
South Korea	854	812	981	14.8	20.9
Japan	734	577	837	14.1	45.1
Other	5,576	4,173	4,507	-19.2	8.0
Total imports	10,094	8,035	9,420	-6.7	17.2
Exports					
Saudi Arabia	193	392	390	>100	-0.5
China	12	313	105	>100	-66.6
Azerbaijan	-	1	83	>100	>100
Qatar	39	67	77	97.6	15.4
Oman	26	47	63	>100	35.9
Other	138	433	340	>100	-21.4
Total non-oil exports	408	1,253	1,059	>100	-15.4
Re-exports					
Bahrain	293	320	343	17.2	7.0
Saudi Arabia	169	256	278	64.5	8.6
Qatar	140	170	160	14.0	-6.1
Kuwait	103	143	152	47.5	6.2
India	42	34	43	2.7	26.8
Other	290	275	286	-1.3	3.9
Total re-exports	1,037	1,199	1,262	21.7	5.2

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	10,094	408	1,037	11,539
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
July	9,420	1,059	1,262	11,741

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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>

