Annual External Trade Report in 2024

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Highlights

In 2024, total exports increased 9.8% year on year to US\$ 475.0 billion; total imports up 12.2% from a year earlier to US\$ 394.4 billion. The trade balance of this year was favorable, amounting to US\$80.6 billion.

Table 1	Trade Performance
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Unit: US\$ million, $\%$										nillion, %		
		2024										
	Annual		Q1		Q2		Q3		Q	4		
ltem	Amount	Change		Annual		Annual		Annual		Annual		
		Rate	Amount	0	Amount	0	Amount	0	Amount	0		
				Rate		Rate		Rate		Rate		
Exports	474,996	9.8	110,296	12.9	114,654	9.9	124,103	8.0	125,942	9.1		
Imports	394,365	12.2	91,188	2.7	97,659	12.9	100,617	14.9	104,901	18.2		
Trade Balance	80,630	-0.2	19,108	113.7	16,995	-4.7	23,486	-14.0	21,041	-21.2		

Figure 1 Annual Change Rate



Major Trading Commodities

• Exports

In 2024, compared with the previous year, exports of Parts of Electronic Product, Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal, Machinery, Plastics & Rubber and Articles Thereof, Chemicals, Mineral Products declined 0.8%, 0.7%, 0.4%, 1.9%, 0.7% and 4.6%, respectively. However, exports of Information, Communication and Audio-video Products as well as Electrical Machinery Products grew by 59.0% and 1.3%, respectively.

	1					Unit: US\$ r	nillion, %
	20	24	Annual Change Rate				
Item	Amount	As % of All Exports	2024	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Parts of Electronic Product	177,224	37.3	-0.8	-3.3	-7.8	-2.3	9.6
Electronic Integrated Circuits	165,042	34.7	-0.9	-3.5	-8.5	-2.6	10.2
Information, Communication and Audio-video Products	132,501	27.9	59.0	124.4	95.9	45.3	18.5
Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal	28,527	6.0	-0.7	-4.5	-3.4	0.8	4.5
Machinery	24,114	5.1	-0.4	-2.0	-1.3	0.5	1.0
Plastics & Rubber and Articles Thereof	19,586	4.1	-1.9	-6.2	0.6	-3.5	1.9
Chemicals	18,284	3.8	-0.7	-7.1	6.7	-5.3	3.9
Mineral Products	13,951	2.9	-4.6	-1.0	-3.4	-11.6	-1.6
Electrical Machinery Products	13,297	2.8	1.3	-5.3	0.1	4.2	6.3

• Imports

In 2024, compared with the previous year, imports of Parts of Electronic Product, Information, Communication and Audio-video Products, Chemicals, Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal, Vehicles, Aircraft, Vessels and Associated Transport Equipments, Electrical Machinery Products grew by 28.1%, 40.2%, 2.7%, 16.6%, 2.7% and 9.6%, respectively. However, imports of Mineral Products as well as Machinery declined 5.3% and 5.2%, respectively.

				Unit: US\$ r	nillion, %		
	20	24		Annual Change Rate			
Item	Amount	As % of All Imports	2024	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Parts of Electronic Product	104,298	26.4	28.1	17.5	32.6	28.9	32.6
Mineral Products	58,260	14.8	-5.3	-14.0	3.1	-2.3	-7.5
Petroleum	23,896	6.1	-4.8	-3.0	14.1	-8.2	-21.4
Machinery	35,682	9.0	-5.2	-37.6	-1.9	10.6	18.7
Information, Communication and Audio-video Products	33,523	8.5	40.2	16.8	55.2	40.6	48.4
Chemicals	29,455	7.5	2.7	-3.0	1.5	7.9	4.7
Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal	26,436	6.7	16.6	0.9	25.7	24.2	15.0
Vehicles, Aircraft, Vessels and Associated Transport Equipments	16,162	4.1	2.7	11.2	-8.0	3.7	7.6
Electrical Machinery Products	13,759	3.5	9.6	-4.4	5.1	10.0	29.2

Table 3	Imports of Leading Import Commoditie	es
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Major Trading Partners

• Exports

In 2024, compared with the previous year, exports to ASEAN as well as the U.S.A. grew by 15.1% and 46.1%, respectively. However, exports to Mainland China & Hong Kong, Japan and Europe declined 1.1%, 17.8% and 8.6%, respectively.

						Unit: US\$ n	nillion, %
	20	24		Annu	al Change	Rate	
Item	Amount	As % of All Exports	2024	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Mainland China & Hong Kong	150,611	31.7	-1.1	-0.9	-3.3	-3.6	3.4
ASEAN	87,768	18.5	15.1	33.5	12.3	0.8	17.2
Japan	25,836	5.4	-17.8	-14.4	-28.0	-11.7	-15.8
U.S.A.	111,362	23.4	46.1	57.8	63.0	58.3	15.5
Europe	38,635	8.1	-8.6	-5.9	-3.1	-18.3	-5.5

Table 4 Exports to Key Trading Partners

• Imports

In 2024, compared with the previous year, imports from Mainland China & Hong Kong, ASEAN, Japan, the U.S.A. and Korea grew by 12.4%, 20.1%, 4.8%, 13.6% and 53.8%, respectively. However, imports from Europe declined 1.3%.

						Unit: US\$ n	nillion, %	
	20	24	Annual Change Rate					
Item	Amount	As % of All Imports	2024	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Mainland China & Hong Kong	80,626	20.4	12.4	8.3	19.8	10.0	11.9	
ASEAN	49,269	12.5	20.1	6.6	22.0	26.9	25.2	
Japan	46,453	11.8	4.8	-10.6	3.5	13.3	14.6	
U.S.A.	46,455	11.8	13.6	49.3	4.8	2.4	-1.9	
Europe	46,002	11.7	-1.3	-16.5	0.3	-2.2	15.2	
Korea	43,707	11.1	53.8	26.3	47.0	68.4	67.6	

 Table 5
 Imports from Key Trading Partners