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Trade Figures for Aug. 2021



Highlights

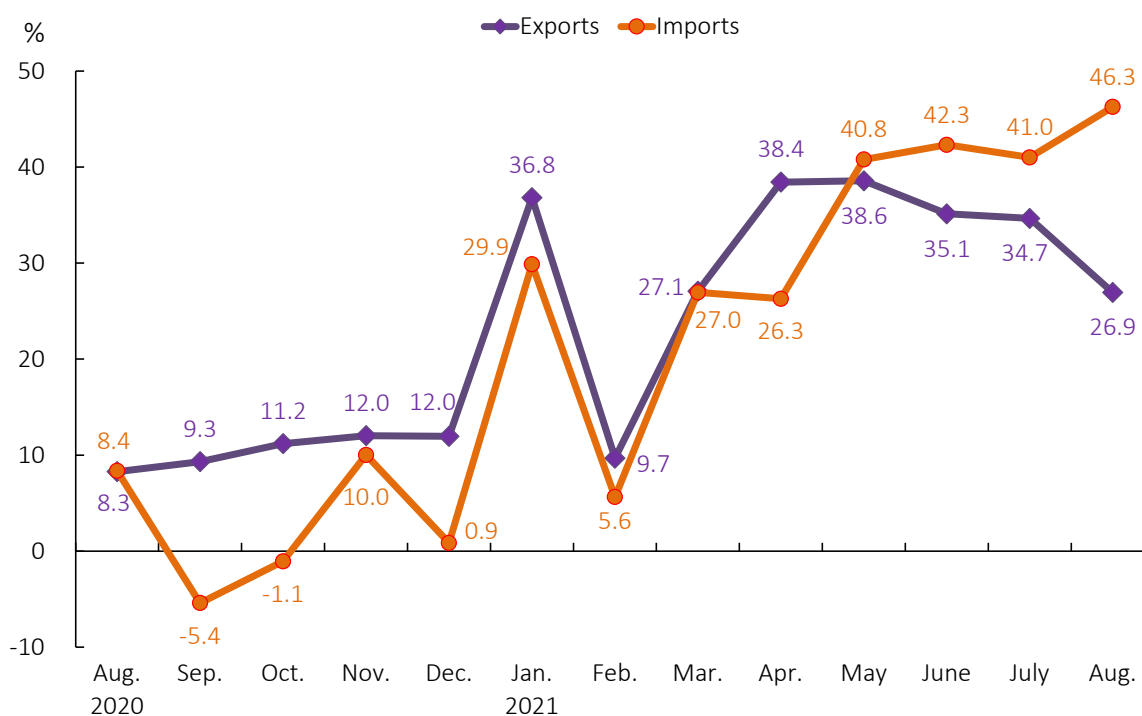
For Aug. 2021, total exports expanded 26.9% year on year to US\$ 39.55 billion; total imports rose by 46.3% from a year earlier to US\$ 36.08 billion. The trade balance of this month was favorable, amounting to US\$ 3.48 billion.

Table 1 Trade Performance for Aug. 2021

Units: US\$ million, %

	Aug.		Jan. - Aug.	
	Amount	Annual Change Rate	Amount	Annual Change Rate
Exports	39,552	26.9	284,419	30.9
Imports	36,076	46.3	243,205	32.5
Trade Balance	3,476	-46.5	41,214	22.0

Figure 1 Annual Change Rate



Major Trading Commodities

● Exports

In Aug. 2021, compared with the same month of last year, exports of parts of electronic product, information, communication and audio-video products, base metals and articles of base metal, plastics & rubber and articles thereof, machinery grew by 21.9%, 17.2%, 50.3%, 42.7%, and 39.6%, respectively.

Table 2 Exports of Leading Export Commodities

Units: US\$ million, %

	Aug.			Jan. - Aug.		
	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate
Parts of Electronic Product	15,217	38.5	21.9	108,650	38.2	29.1
Information, Communication and Audio-video Products	5,396	13.6	17.2	38,535	13.5	26.0
Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal	3,245	8.2	50.3	22,635	8.0	38.6
Plastics & Rubber and Articles Thereof	2,586	6.5	42.7	19,627	6.9	47.9
Machinery	2,513	6.4	39.6	18,106	6.4	28.5

● Imports

In Aug. 2021, compared with the same month of last year, imports of parts of electronic product, mineral products, machinery, base metals and articles of base metal, and chemicals grew by 36.2%, 101.7%, 64.8%, 76.2%, and 43.0%, respectively.

Table 3 Imports of Leading Import Commodities

Units: US\$ million, %

	Aug.			Jan. - Aug.		
	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate
Parts of Electronic Product	8,543	23.7	36.2	58,336	24.0	32.8
Mineral Products	5,437	15.1	101.7	34,055	14.0	46.7
Petroleum	2,028	5.6	86.3	12,590	5.2	37.6
Machinery	4,422	12.3	64.8	28,273	11.6	38.5
Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal	3,180	8.8	76.2	18,890	7.8	43.3
Chemicals	3,091	8.6	43.0	21,768	9.0	24.8

Major Trading Partners

● Exports

In Aug. 2021, compared with the same month of last year, exports to Mainland China & Hong Kong, ASEAN, Japan, the U.S.A., and Europe grew by 16.1%, 32.2%, 39.4%, 28.9%, and 40.7%, respectively.

Table 4 Exports to Key Trading Partners

Units: US\$ million, %

	Aug.			Jan. - Aug.		
	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate
Mainland China & Hong Kong	16,774	42.4	16.1	120,978	42.5	28.9
ASEAN	6,079	15.4	32.2	45,780	16.1	35.5
Japan	2,514	6.4	39.4	18,639	6.6	21.7
U.S.A.	5,993	15.2	28.9	41,026	14.4	28.3
Europe	3,446	8.7	40.7	24,327	8.6	35.0

● Imports

In Aug. 2021, compared with the same month of last year, imports from Mainland China & Hong Kong, ASEAN, Japan, the U.S.A., Europe, and the Middle East grew by 32.8%, 42.4%, 47.9%, 38.0%, 30.4%, and 80.6%, respectively.

Table 5 Imports from Key Trading Partners

Units: US\$ million, %

	Aug.			Jan. - Aug.		
	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate
Mainland China & Hong Kong	7,527	20.9	32.8	53,702	22.1	31.7
ASEAN	4,469	12.4	42.4	30,204	12.4	28.0
Japan	5,410	15.0	47.9	36,799	15.1	24.2
U.S.A.	3,708	10.3	38.0	25,889	10.6	22.9
Europe	4,279	11.9	30.4	29,775	12.2	32.2
Middle East	2,340	6.5	80.6	15,231	6.3	34.8