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Trade Figures for Dec. 2021



Highlights

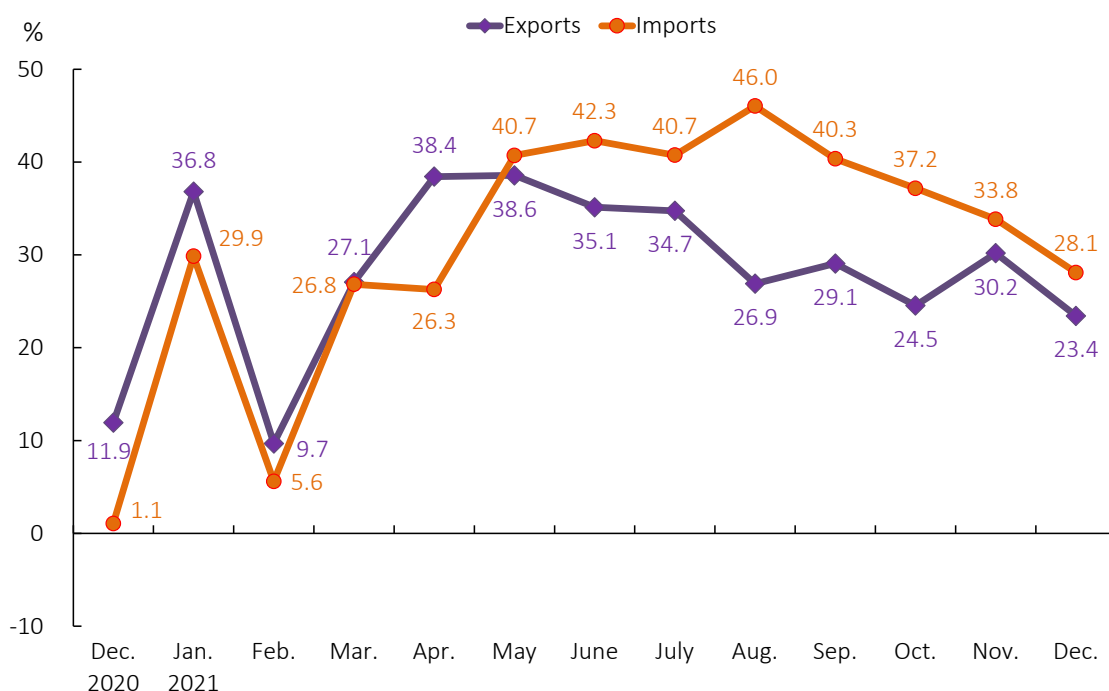
For Dec. 2021, total exports expanded 23.4% year on year to US\$ 40.72 billion; total imports rose by 28.1% from a year earlier to US\$ 34.95 billion. The trade balance of this month was favorable, amounting to US\$ 5.77 billion. In 2021, total exports expanded 29.4% and total imports rose by 33.2% compared with 2020. The trade balance of this year was favorable, amounting to US\$ 65.28 billion.

Table 1 Trade Performance for Dec. 2021

Units: US\$ million, %

	Dec.		Jan. - Dec.	
	Amount	Annual Change Rate	Amount	Annual Change Rate
Exports	40,718	23.4	446,448	29.4
Imports	34,951	28.1	381,167	33.2
Trade Balance	5,767	1.1	65,281	10.7

Figure 1 Annual Change Rate



Major Trading Commodities

● Exports

In Dec. 2021, compared with the same month of the previous 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 27.5%, 22.4%, 28.5%, 18.2%, and 12.2%, respectively.

Table 2 Exports of Leading Export Commodities

Units: US\$ million, %

	Dec.			Jan. - Dec.		
	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate
Parts of Electronic Product	16,264	39.9	27.5	172,005	38.5	26.9
Information, Communication and Audio-video Products	5,830	14.3	22.4	61,348	13.7	24.8
Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal	3,115	7.6	28.5	36,819	8.2	44.5
Plastics & Rubber and Articles Thereof	2,535	6.2	18.2	29,870	6.7	40.5
Machinery	2,471	6.1	12.2	27,835	6.2	27.0

● Imports

In Dec. 2021, compared with the same month of the previous year, imports of parts of electronic product, mineral products, machinery, chemicals, information, communication and audio-video products grew by 25.0%, 114.3%, 5.3%, 20.5%, and 18.1%, respectively.

Table 3 Imports of Leading Import Commodities

Units: US\$ million, %

	Dec.			Jan. - Dec.		
	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate
Parts of Electronic Product	8,089	23.1	25.0	91,303	24.0	31.3
Mineral Products	5,767	16.5	114.3	56,891	14.9	68.4
Petroleum	2,072	5.9	150.7	19,840	5.2	58.7
Machinery	4,119	11.8	5.3	44,358	11.6	33.1
Chemicals	2,935	8.4	20.5	33,610	8.8	26.8
Information, Communication and Audio-video Products	2,400	6.9	18.1	26,480	6.9	26.8

Major Trading Partners

● Exports

In Dec. 2021, compared with the same month of the previous year, exports to Mainland China & Hong Kong, ASEAN, Japan, the U.S.A., and Europe grew by 16.2%, 23.8%, 35.8%, 29.0%, and 22.1%, respectively.

Table 4 Exports to Key Trading Partners

Units: US\$ million, %

	Dec.			Jan. - Dec.		
	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate
Mainland China & Hong Kong	17,093	42.0	16.2	188,906	42.3	24.8
ASEAN	6,423	15.8	23.8	70,245	15.7	32.0
Japan	2,754	6.8	35.8	29,212	6.5	24.8
U.S.A.	5,830	14.3	29.0	65,697	14.7	30.0
Europe	3,528	8.7	22.1	38,493	8.6	36.8

● Imports

In Dec. 2021, compared with the same month of the previous year, imports from Mainland China & Hong Kong, ASEAN, Japan, the U.S.A., Europe, and the Middle East grew by 20.6%, 24.5%, 14.0%, 24.5%, 15.0%, and 134.1%, respectively.

Table 5 Imports from Key Trading Partners

Units: US\$ million, %

	Dec.			Jan. - Dec.		
	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate
Mainland China & Hong Kong	7,681	22.0	20.6	84,171	22.1	29.9
ASEAN	4,015	11.5	24.5	47,182	12.4	31.4
Japan	4,998	14.3	14.0	56,146	14.7	22.3
U.S.A.	3,691	10.6	24.5	39,079	10.3	20.2
Europe	4,679	13.4	15.0	47,236	12.4	28.4
Middle East	2,669	7.6	134.1	25,142	6.6	59.0