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## Trade Figures for Sep. 2022



## Highlights

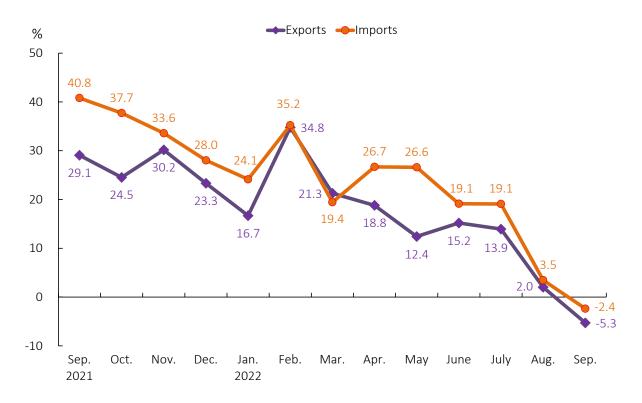
For Sep. 2022, total exports contracted 5.3% year on year to US\$ 37.53 billion; total imports fell 2.4% from a year earlier to US\$ 32.51 billion. The trade balance of this month was favorable, amounting to US\$ 5.02 billion.

Table 1 Trade Performance for Sep. 2022

Units: US\$ million, %

	Se	p.	Jan Sep.		
	Amount	Annual Change Rate	Amount	Annual Change Rate	
Exports	37,532	-5.3	367,763	13.5	
Imports	32,511	-2.4	327,062	18.0	
Trade Balance	5,021	-20.6	40,701	-13.3	

Figure 1 Annual Change Rate



### **Major Trading Commodities**

#### Exports

In Sep. 2022, compared with the same month of last year, exports of parts of electronic product grew by 2.4%. However, exports of information, communication and audio-video products, base metals and articles of base metal, machinery, plastics & rubber and articles thereof declined 4.4%, 26.6%, 3.9%, and 25.2%, respectively.

Table 2 Exports of Leading Export Commodities

Units: US\$ million, %

	Sep.			Jan Sep.			
	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Exports	Annual Change Rate	
Parts of Electronic Product	16,986	45.3	2.4	152,048	41.3	21.4	
Information, Communication and Audio-video Products	5,174	13.8	-4.4	47,604	12.9	8.3	
Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal	2,490	6.6	-26.6	28,922	7.9	11.1	
Machinery	2,116	5.6	-3.9	21,815	5.9	7.4	
Plastics & Rubber and Articles Thereof	1,747	4.7	-25.2	20,682	5.6	-5.8	

#### Imports

In Sep. 2022, compared with the same month of last year, imports of mineral products as well as information, communication and audio-video products grew by 52.9% and 2.0%, respectively. However, imports of parts of electronic product, machinery, and chemicals declined 9.8%, 16.0%, and 21.3%, respectively.

Table 3 Imports of Leading Import Commodities

Units: US\$ million, %

	Sep.			Jan Sep.			
	Amount	As % of	Annual	Amount	As % of	Annual	
	Amount	All Imports	Change Rate		All Imports	Change Rate	
Mineral Products	7,837	24.1	52.9	64,359	19.7	62.5	
Petroleum	3,364	10.3	112.6	24,466	7.5	72.1	
Parts of Electronic	7 206	22.7	-9.8	77,186	23.6	16.0	
Product	7,396	22.7	-9.6	//,100	23.0	10.0	
Machinery	3,417	10.5	-16.0	35,009	10.7	8.1	
Information,							
Communication and	2,666	8.2	2.0	21,399	6.5	12.0	
Audio-video Products							
Chemicals	2,198	6.8	-21.3	28,165	8.6	14.5	

### **Major Trading Partners**

#### Exports

In Sep. 2022, compared with the same month of last year, exports to ASEAN grew by 5.5%. However, exports to Mainland China & Hong Kong, Japan, the U.S.A., and Europe declined 13.3%, 0.7%, 2.1%, and 5.2%, respectively.

Table 4 Exports to Key Trading Partners

Units: US\$ million,  $\,\%$ 

	Sep.			Jan Sep.			
	Amount	As % of	Annual	Amount	As % of	Annual	
		All Exports	Change Rate		All Exports	Change Rate	
Mainland China &	15,167	40.4	-13.3	143,369	39.0	3.6	
Hong Kong	13,107	40.4	-13.3	143,303		3.0	
ASEAN	5,990	16.0	5.5	62,166	16.9	20.8	
Japan	2,581	6.9	-0.7	24,933	6.8	17.4	
U.S.A.	5,863	15.6	-2.1	57,101	15.5	21.5	
Europe	3,031	8.1	-5.2	31,165	8.5	13.3	

#### Imports

In Sep. 2022, compared with the same month of last year, imports from the U.S.A., and the Middle East grew by 14.9% and 54.3%, respectively. However, imports from Mainland China & Hong Kong, ASEAN, Japan, and Europe declined 11.9%, 7.7%, 18.5%, and 17.1%, respectively.

Table 5 Imports from Key Trading Partners

Units: US\$ million, %

	Sep.			Jan Sep.			
	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate	Amount	As % of All Imports	Annual Change Rate	
Mainland China & Hong Kong	6,577	20.2	-11.9	66,572	20.4	8.8	
ASEAN	3,946	12.1	-7.7	41,229	12.6	19.5	
Japan	3,793	11.7	-18.5	41,647	12.7	0.6	
U.S.A.	3,727	11.5	14.9	34,501	10.5	18.0	
Europe	3,477	10.7	-17.1	37,390	11.4	9.8	
Middle East	3,147	9.7	54.3	27,876	8.5	60.0	