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Introduction

This report presents an analytical overview of the developments in foreign trade of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in goods for November 2019, the month with the most recent data available, with the help of summary tables and charts. It includes time series data for the main indicators covering the past 13 months to observe the latest trends and also provides comparisons with the same month of the previous year, November 2018, under various classifications to trace the changes in exports and imports from different perspectives.

Because of the important role that oil exports play in the Saudi economy, total exports are divided into oil exports and non-oil exports and analyzed separately. Non-oil exports as well as imports are further broken down under various classifications, such as sections, groups of countries, partner countries, transportation means, and customs ports. In addition to the summary tables presented throughout the report, tables with detail data are made available in the attached annex in spreadsheet format that could be downloaded from [GASTAT website](#).



The data, which are collected from the Saudi Customs and the Ministry of Energy, Industry, and Mineral Resources, go through a comprehensive process at GaStat before summarized into tables and charts in this report, as expressed in the Methodology section. It is worth mentioning that the statistics presented in this report are preliminary, and they might be modified in the next issues of the report in case there is an update to the information. Sometimes, differences in aggregates or percentages occur as a result of rounding numbers.

GaStat is pleased to thank all those who contributed to this work including all concerned parties, as their cooperation has greatly influenced the release of this bulletin. For comments or suggestions, kindly send them via e-mail to info@stats.gov.sa as they may improve the content of the bulletin and further develop future bulletins.



Methodology

1. Data sources

The report of "Merchandise Exports and Imports of The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia" depends on administrative records of Saudi Arabia's foreign trade in goods, provided to GaStat by concerned governmental entities in order to use them in calculating the foreign trade statistics and indicators and release them in this report. Administrative records mean data and information that are registered and updated by governmental entities concerned with exports and imports of goods, and result from the operation of official electronic registration and documentation of these entities.

GaStat's statistics on merchandise exports and imports are currently built upon the records from the following two governmental entities:

- The Ministry of Energy, Industry, and Mineral Resources: The data source for oil exports.
- Saudi Customs: The data source for non-oil merchandise exports and imports.

2. Objectives

1. Supporting decision and policy makers, reserachers, and those who are concerned with up-to-date and comprehensive statistics and indicators that are related to Saudi Arabia's merchandise exports and imports.
2. Following up with the changes in the movement of exports and imports between Saudi Arabia and major partner countries within two different periods of time.
3. Identifying the amount of trade surplus or deficit between Saudi Arabia and other countries.
4. Identifying key goods imported from or exported to each partner country.
5. Developing important economic indicators for the components of national accounts and balance of payments.
6. Contributing to the creation of a commercial policy to protect and encourage local goods and industries competing with imported ones.

3. Concepts and Definitions

3.1 Exports (Total):

Exports consist of exports of domestic goods (national exports) and exports of foreign goods (re-exports). Valuation is on Free-on-Board (FOB) basis.

3.2 National Exports:

Exports of all goods fully produced or manufactured in the country or undergone some modifications that lead to a change in their shapes and values.

3.3 Re-exports:

Refers to the sale of previously imported goods abroad without any clear modifications on them.





3.4 Oil Exports:

Exports of goods classified in Chapter 27 (mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral waxes) of the Harmonized System (HS).

3.5 Non-oil Exports:

Total exports minus exports of goods classified in Chapter 27 (mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral waxes) of the Harmonized System (HS).

3.6 Imports:

Refer to all goods entering the country after passing through the customs procedures to meet its local needs. Valuation is on Cost, Insurance, and Freight (CIF) basis.

3.7. Indicators

Indicator	Description
Trade Volume	The sum of exports and imports.
Trade Balance	Exports minus imports.
Monthly change	Change from the previous month.
Annual change	Change from the same month of the previous year.



4. Coverage

Spatial coverage:

The statistics on merchandise exports and imports cover all goods (oil and non-oil exports as well as imports) passing through customs ports in Saudi Arabia.

Temporal coverage:

The statistics on merchandise exports and imports are collected from administrative records on a monthly basis according to the Gregorian calendar.

5. Used statistical classification:

Saudi Arabia's exports and imports are classified according to the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding Systems (2017), also known as the Harmonized System (HS), which is maintained by the World Customs Organization (WCO). The HS allows countries to classify traded products in an internationally standardized system of product names and codes.

6. Obtaining Data :

The records received from Saudi Customs and the Ministry of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources are saved in the databases of GaStat and are audited and reviewed in accordance with the scientific statistical methods and quality standards recognized in coordination with the entity issuing the data.



7. Preparation and review of results:

After reviewing the collected administrative records in the previous steps, the results are calculated, extracted, uploaded, and stored in the database. Then, the final review is carried out by specialists in foreign trade statistics using modern techniques and software designed for auditing purposes.

8. Data Dissemination:

First: Preparation of Results Designed for Publishing:

At this stage, GaStat coordinates, organizes, and reviews the data contained in the report. Tables, charts, and indicators are then prepared. Finally, the metadata and the methodology are added to the report, which is prepared in both Arabic and English.

Second: Preparation of Media materials and the announcement of bulletin release date:

After GaStat publishes the release date of the report on its official website at the beginning of the Gregorian calendar year, it prepares special media materials to announce its release through all media in addition to its various platforms on the social media sites. The announcement is made on the predetermined day of publishing. The publishing starts from the official website in different formats to ensure that it spreads and reaches all customers and those interested in merchandise exports and imports of Saudi Arabia; the report and the attached data file are published on the Statistical Library on the website.

Third: Communicating with clients and providing them with the bulletin:

GaStat believes in the importance of communicating with the clients. Therefore, once the report of Merchandise Exports and Imports of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is released, it immediately communicates with the clients and provides them with the report. It also receives questions and queries from clients about the report and its results through various communication channels where clients can request data as well. Requests and enquiries are received through:

- GaStat official website: www.stats.gov.sa
- GaStat official e-mail: info@stats.gov.sa
- Client support's e-mail: cs@stats.gov.sa
- Official visits to GaStat head office in Riyadh or to one of its branches in Saudi Arabia
- Official letters
- Statistical helpline (920020081)





9. Applied quality procedures:

The results of the report of Merchandise Exports and Imports of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is subject to many technical quality procedures to ensure the quality of the data. These include;

1. Reviewing the data constructed from administrative records, verifying their comprehensiveness, and communicating with data providers if clarifications are needed on concerned data.
2. Verifying outputs' logic by comparing them with historical figures as well as their conformity with the actuality of the merchandise exports and imports of Saudi Arabia.
3. Publishing the results according to the predetermined publication dates.

10. Users and benefits of the report:

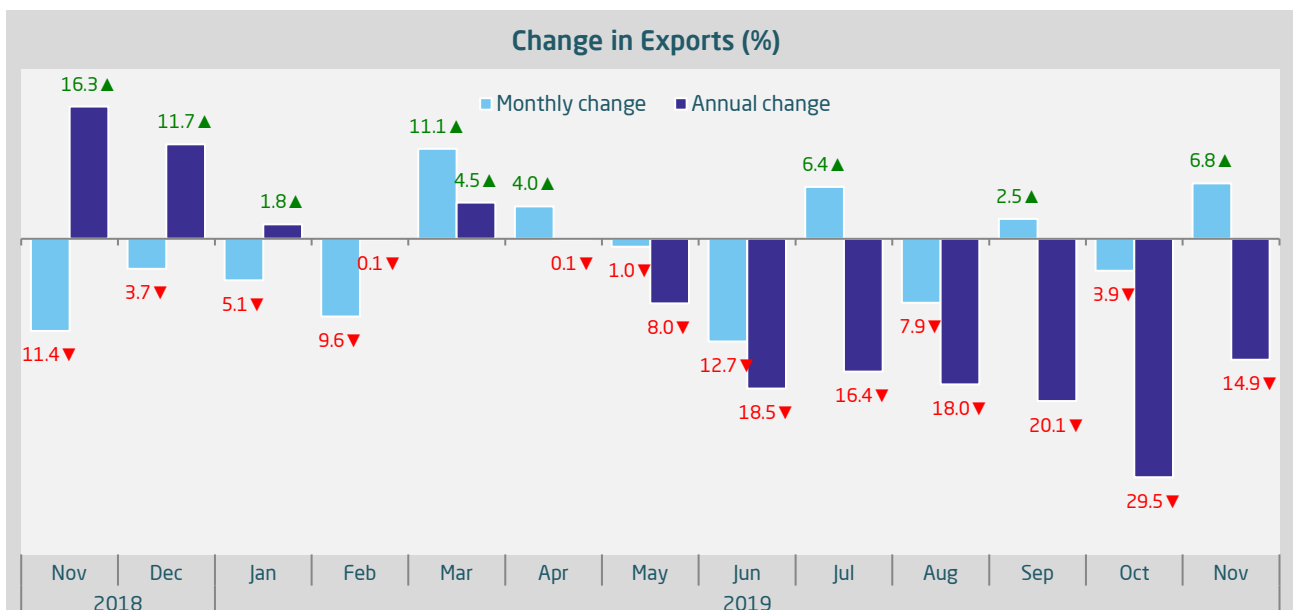
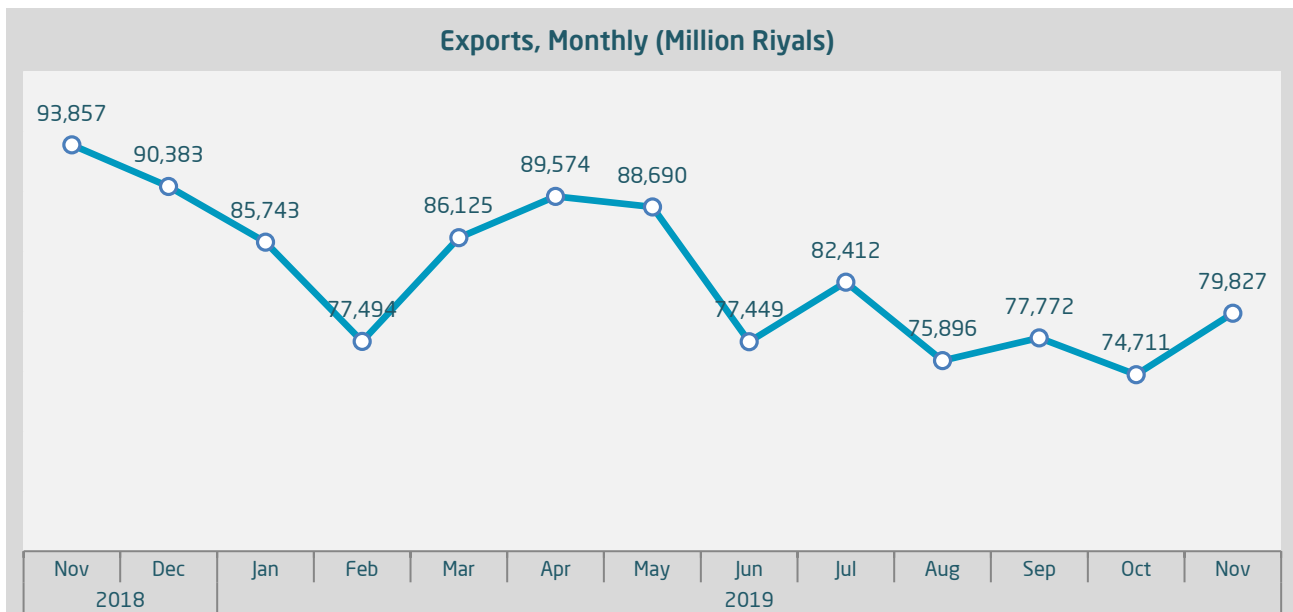
The report of Merchandise Exports and Imports of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia benefits all governmental sectors related to the development work in Saudi Arabia. The most important beneficiaries of the report are the Ministry of Economy and Planning, the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency, and the National Accounts Statistics Department of GaStat as well as international and regional organizations, researchers and planners concerned with merchandise exports and imports. Data and indicators of merchandise exports and imports are among the most important statistical products that contribute to the formulation of trade policy, which supports and protects local goods from competitive imported goods. Moreover, the report contributes to identifying the amount of surplus or deficit in the balance of trade between Saudi Arabia and other countries, and building economic indicators that are important for the components of the national accounts and the balance of payments, which all support decision-making in this field.





1. Merchandise Exports

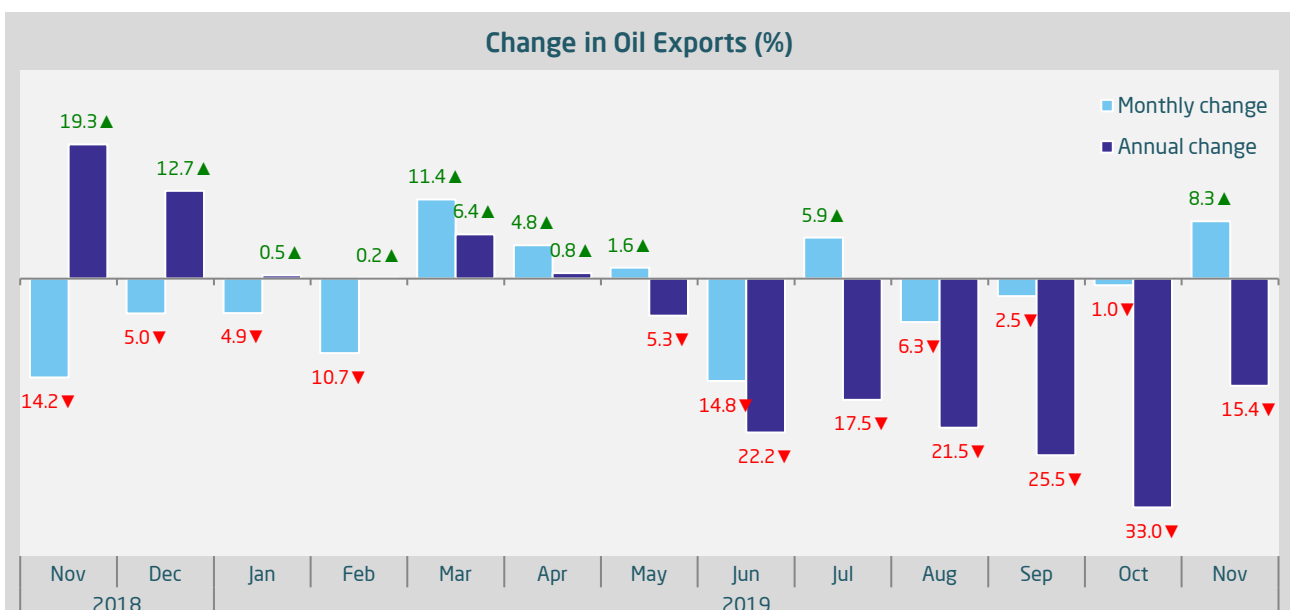
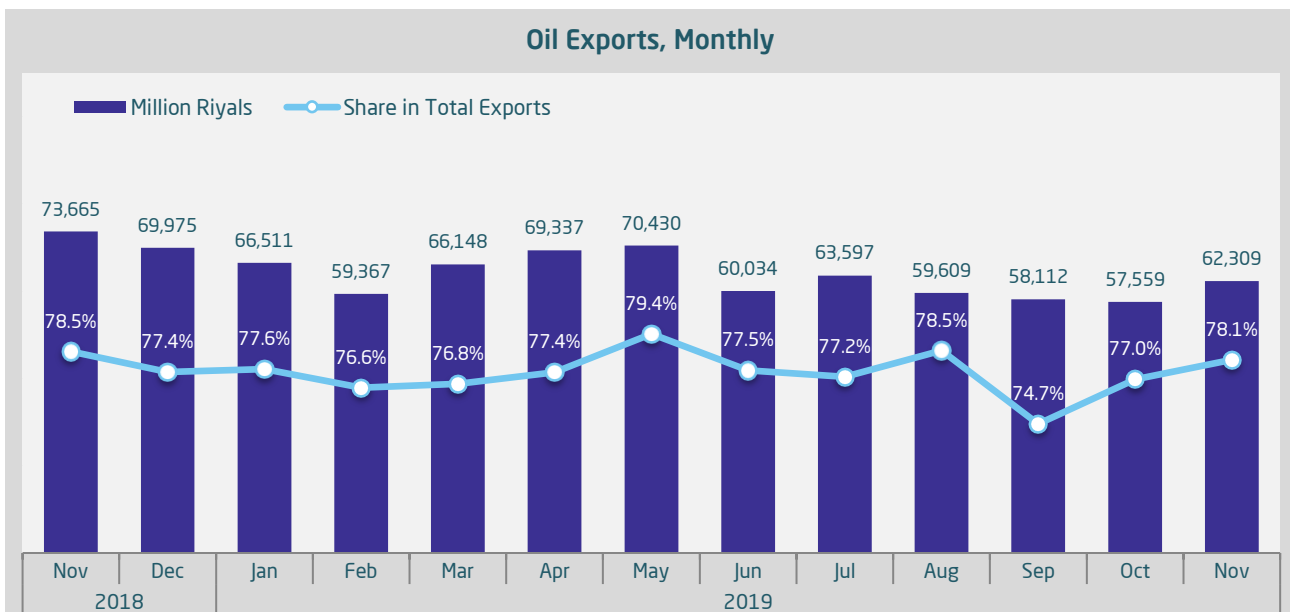
Total merchandise exports of Saudi Arabia amounted to 79 billion 827 million riyals in November 2019 compared to 93 billion 857 million riyals in November 2018, corresponding to a decrease of 14 billion 30 million riyals or 14.9% over that period. Merchandise exports in November 2019 were, however, higher than those in the preceding month (October 2019) by 5 billion 115 million riyals or 6.8%.





1.1. Oil Exports

Oil exports of Saudi Arabia valued at 62 billion 309 million riyals in November 2019 compared to 73 billion 665 million riyals in November 2018, corresponding to a decrease of 11 billion 356 million riyals or 15.4% over that period. The share of oil exports in total merchandise exports also decreased from 78.5% in November 2018 to 78.1% in November. Compared to the previous month (October 2019), the value of oil exports increased by 4 billion 750 million riyals or 8.3% in November 2019.





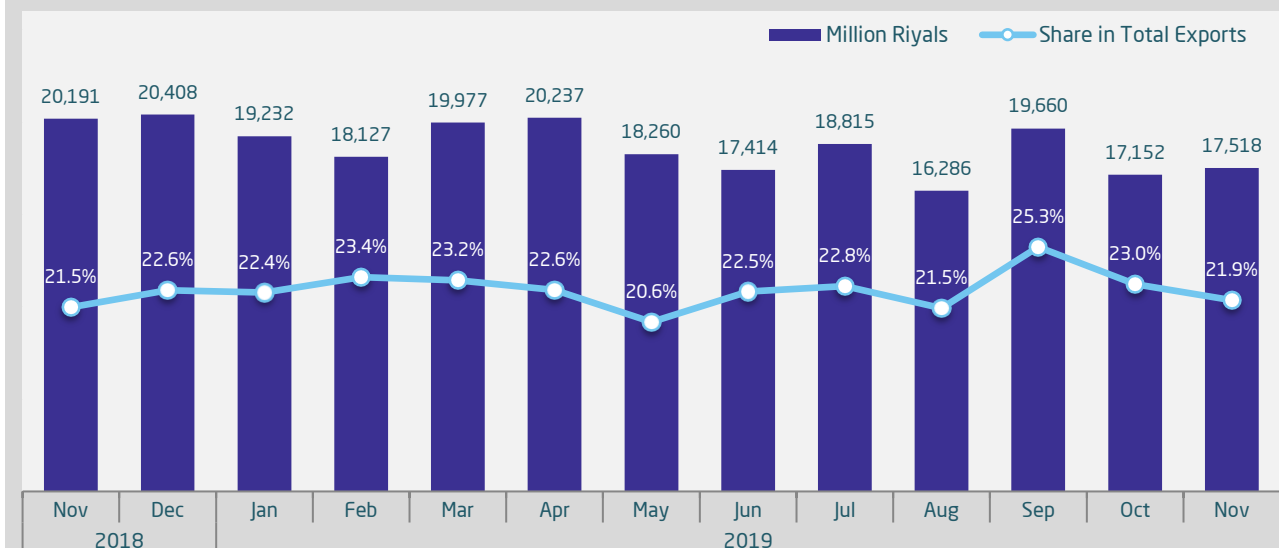
1.2. Non-oil Merchandise Exports

1.2.1. Developments in Non-oil Exports

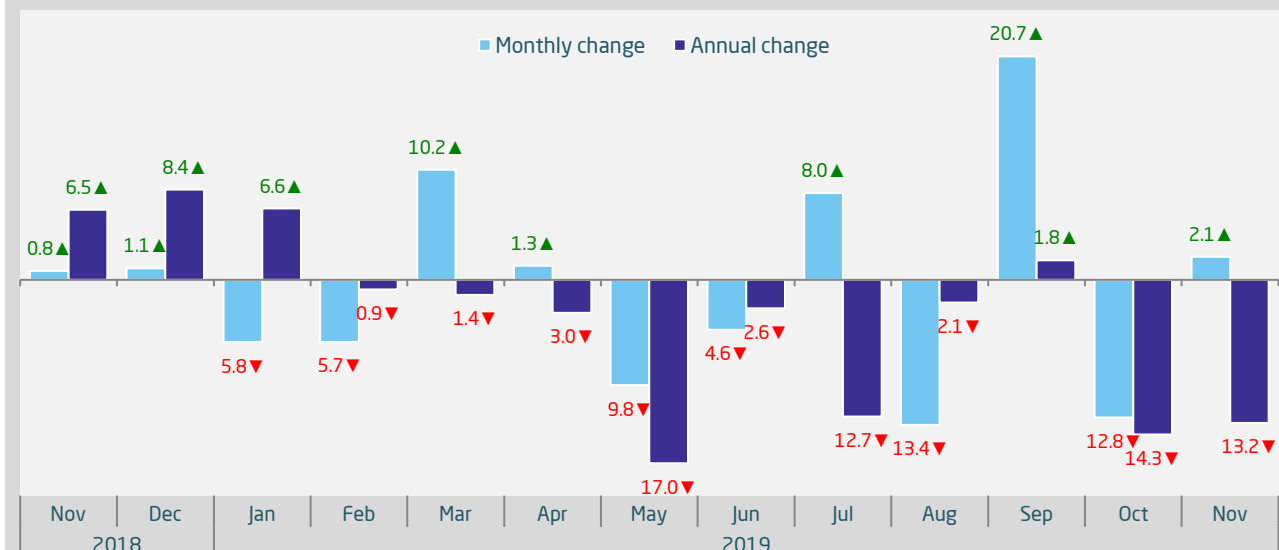
Non-oil exports of Saudi Arabia amounted to 17 billion 518 million riyals in November 2019 compared to 20 billion 191 million riyals in November 2018, corresponding to a decrease of 2 billion 674 million riyals or 13.2% over that period. The share of non-oil exports in total merchandise exports, however, increased from 21.5% in November 2018 to 21.9% in November 2019.

Compared to the previous month (October 2019), the value of non-oil exports increased by 365 million riyals or 2.1% in November 2019.

Non-oil Exports, Monthly



Change in Non-oil Exports (%)



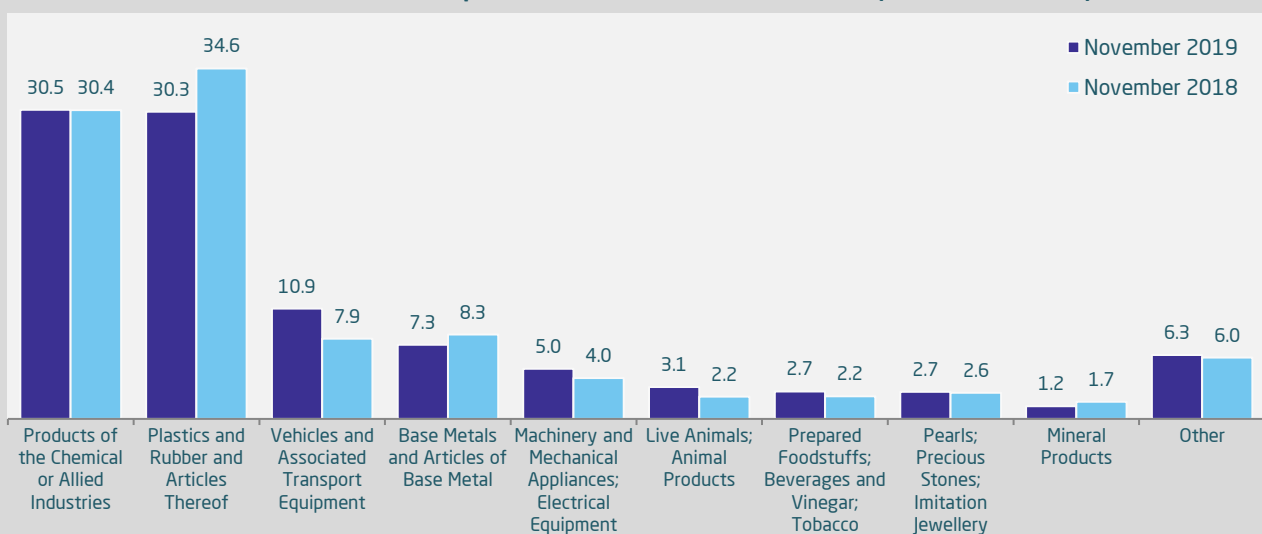


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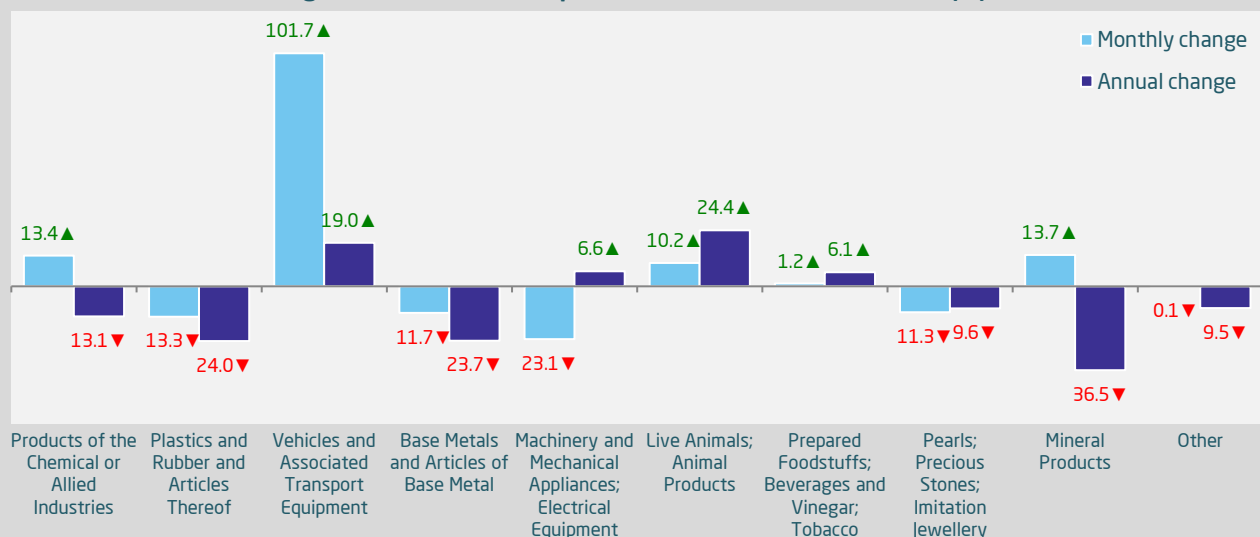
Main Non-oil Export Products (Million Riyals)

Exported Products (by section of the Harmonized System)	November 2018	November 2019		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
1 Products of the Chemical or Allied Industries	6,147	5,340	807▼	13.1▼
2 Plastics and Rubber and Articles Thereof	6,978	5,307	1,671▼	24.0▼
3 Vehicles and Associated Transport Equipment	1,600	1,904	305▲	19.0▲
4 Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal	1,678	1,280	399▼	23.7▼
5 Machinery and Mechanical Appliances; Electrical Equipment	815	869	54▲	6.6▲
6 Live Animals; Animal Products	441	549	108▲	24.4▲
7 Prepared Foodstuffs; Beverages and Vinegar; Tobacco	449	477	28▲	6.1▲
8 Pearls; Precious Stones; Imitation Jewellery	519	469	50▼	9.6▼
9 Mineral Products	342	217	125▼	36.5▼
10 Other	1,221	1,106	116▼	9.5▼
Total	20,191	17,518	2,674▼	13.2▼

Main Non-oil Export Products in November 2019 (Share in total, %)



Change in Main Non-oil Export Products, November 2019 (%)





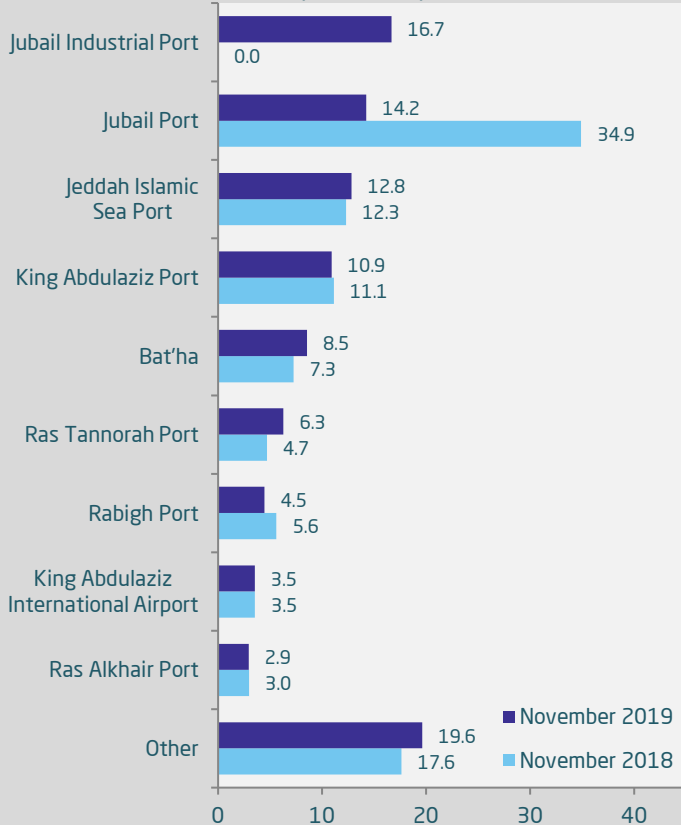
1.2.3. Non-oil Exports by Mode of Transport and Customs Port

Non-oil Exports by Mode of Transport and Customs Port (Million Riyals)

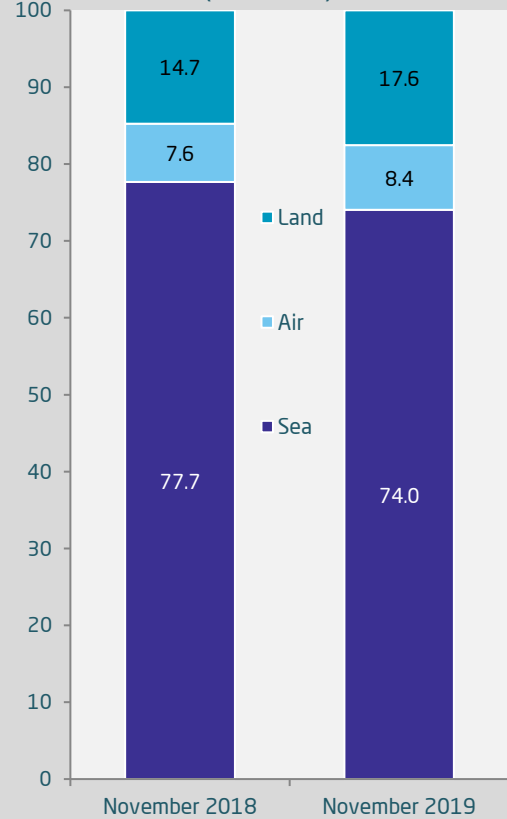
Mode of Transport and Customs Port	November 2018	November 2019		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
Sea	15,685	12,972	2,714 ▼	17.3 ▼
Jubail Industrial Port	0	2,921	2,921 ▲	-
Jubail Port	7,046	2,495	4,551 ▼	64.6 ▼
Jeddah Islamic Sea Port	2,482	2,247	235 ▼	9.5 ▼
Other Seaports	6,157	5,309	848 ▼	13.8 ▼
Air	1,530	1,471	58 ▼	3.8 ▼
King Abdulaziz International Airport	715	617	98 ▼	13.7 ▼
King Khalid International Airport	365	423	58 ▲	16.0 ▲
Wadea Airport (Najran)	241	263	22 ▲	9.3 ▲
Other Airports	209	167	41 ▼	19.9 ▼
Land	2,976	3,075	98 ▲	3.3 ▲
Bat'ha	1,465	1,495	30 ▲	2.0 ▲
Haditha	396	433	38 ▲	9.5 ▲
King Fahad Bridge	330	380	51 ▲	15.3 ▲
Other Land Ports	786	766	19 ▼	2.5 ▼
Total	20,191	17,518	2,674 ▼	13.2 ▼



Non-oil Exports by Customs Port
(% of total)



Non-oil Exports by Mode of Transport
(% of total)



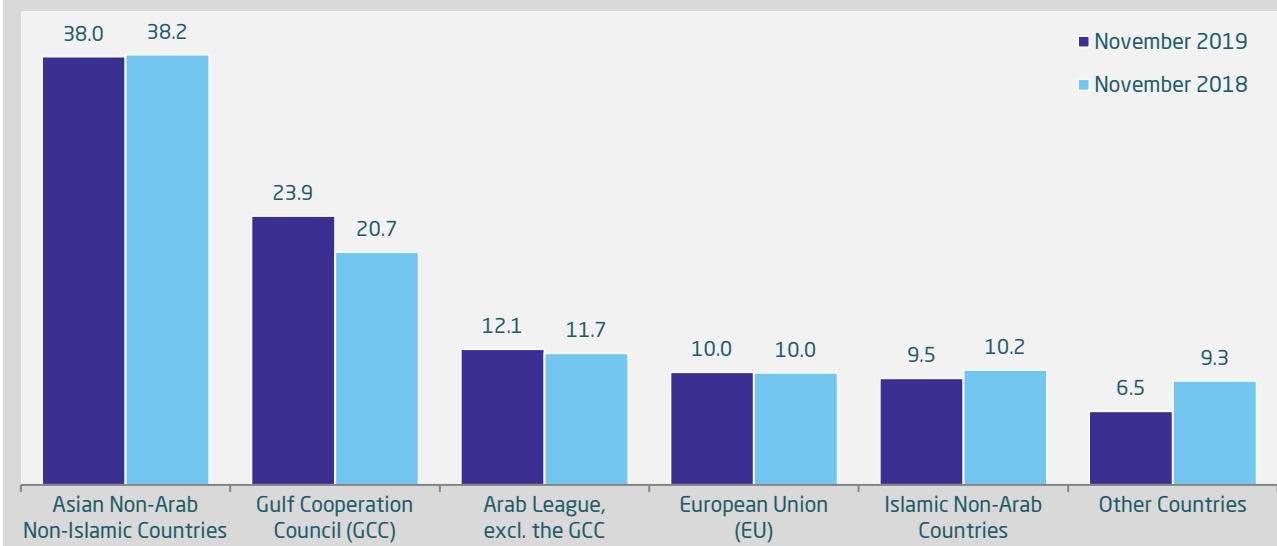


1.2.4. Non-oil Exports by Group of Countries

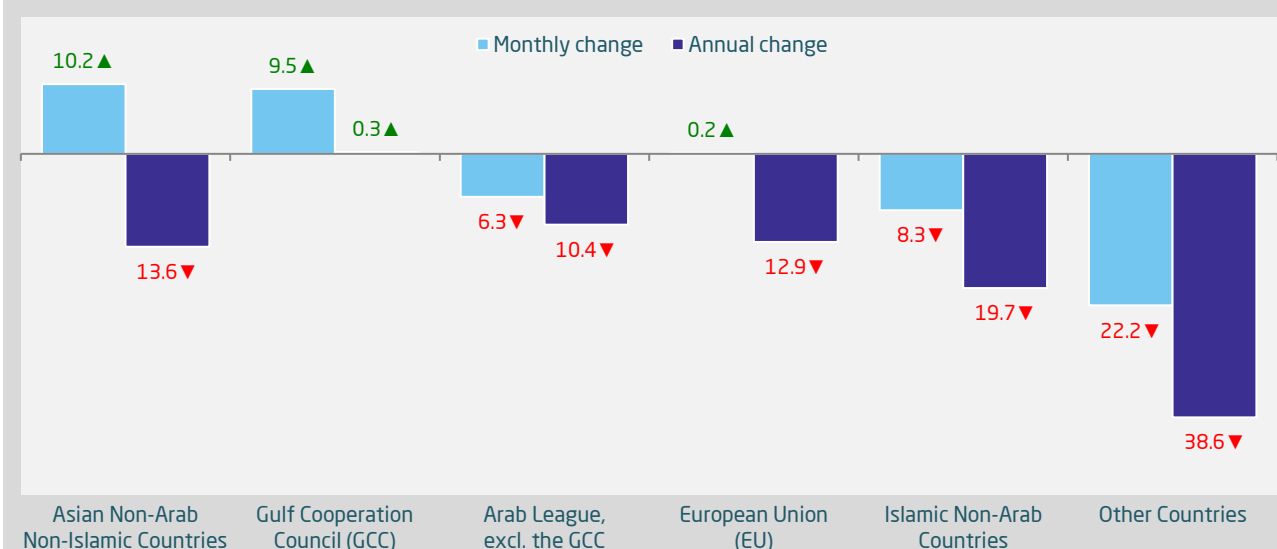
Non-oil Exports by Group of Countries (Million Riyals)

Groups of Countries	November 2018	November 2019		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
1 Asian Non-Arab Non-Islamic Countries	7,713	6,661	1,052 ▼	13.6 ▼
2 Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC)	4,173	4,184	11 ▲	0.3 ▲
3 Arab League, excl. the GCC	2,359	2,114	245 ▼	10.4 ▼
4 European Union (EU)	2,013	1,753	260 ▼	12.9 ▼
5 Islamic Non-Arab Countries	2,065	1,659	406 ▼	19.7 ▼
6 Other Countries	1,868	1,147	721 ▼	38.6 ▼
Total	20,191	17,518	2,674 ▼	13.2 ▼

Non-oil Exports by Group of Countries, November 2019 (Share in total, %)



Change in Non-oil Exports by Group of Countries, November 2019 (%)



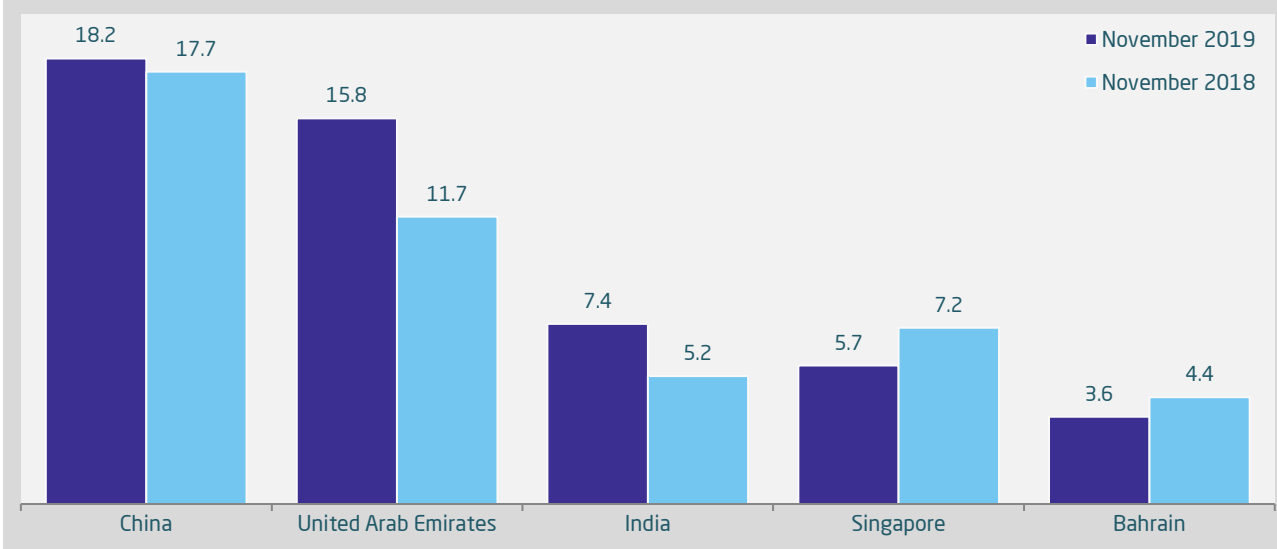


1.2.5. Top 5 Partner Countries for Non-oil Exports

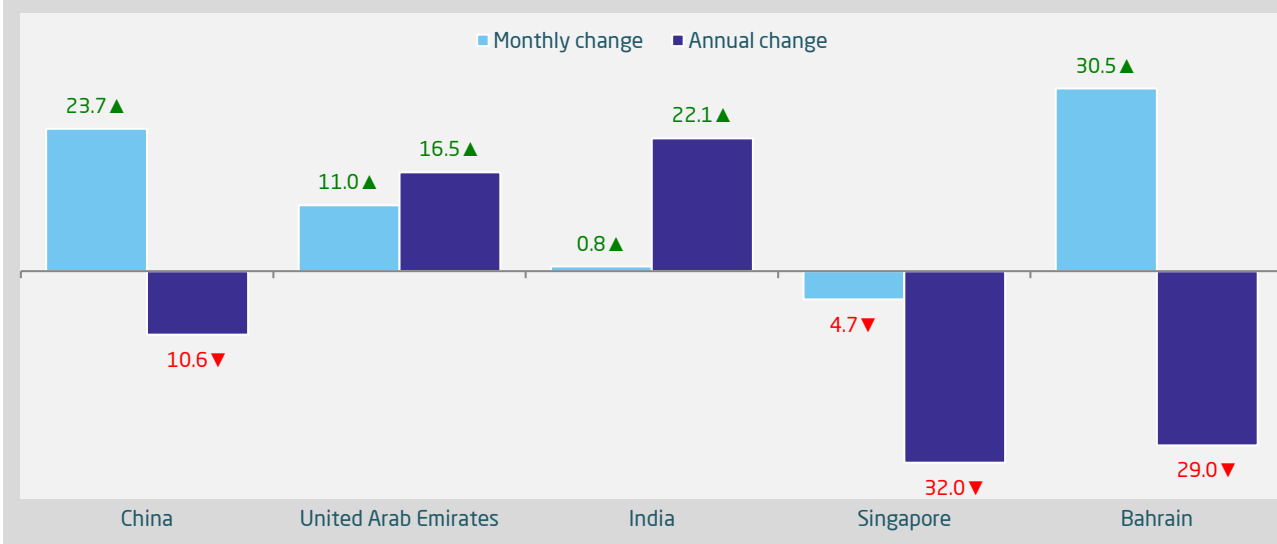
Top 5 Partner Countries for Non-oil Exports (Million Riyals)

Countries	November 2018	November 2019		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
1 China	3,568	3,191	377 ▼	10.6 ▼
2 United Arab Emirates	2,371	2,763	392 ▲	16.5 ▲
3 India	1,056	1,290	234 ▲	22.1 ▲
4 Singapore	1,456	991	466 ▼	32.0 ▼
5 Bahrain	880	625	256 ▼	29.0 ▼
Total	9,332	8,860	473 ▼	5.1 ▼
Share of the top 5 countries in total non-oil exports (%)	46.2	50.6		

Top 5 Partner Countries for Non-oil Exports, November 2019 (Share in total, %)



Change in Non-oil Exports to Top 5 Countries, November 2019 (%)



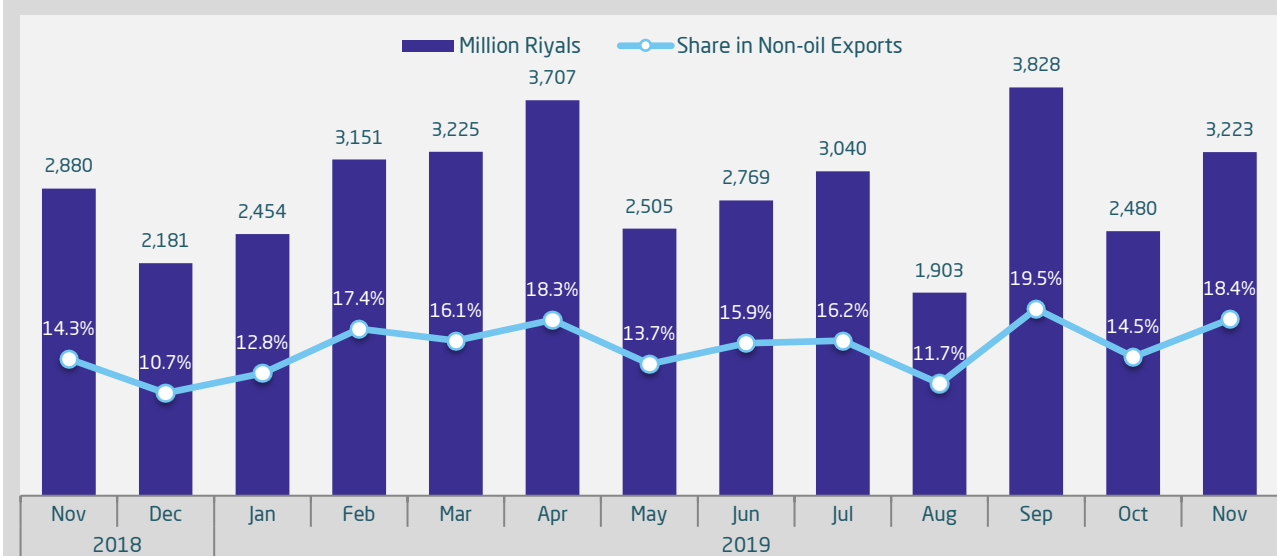


1.2.6. Re-exports

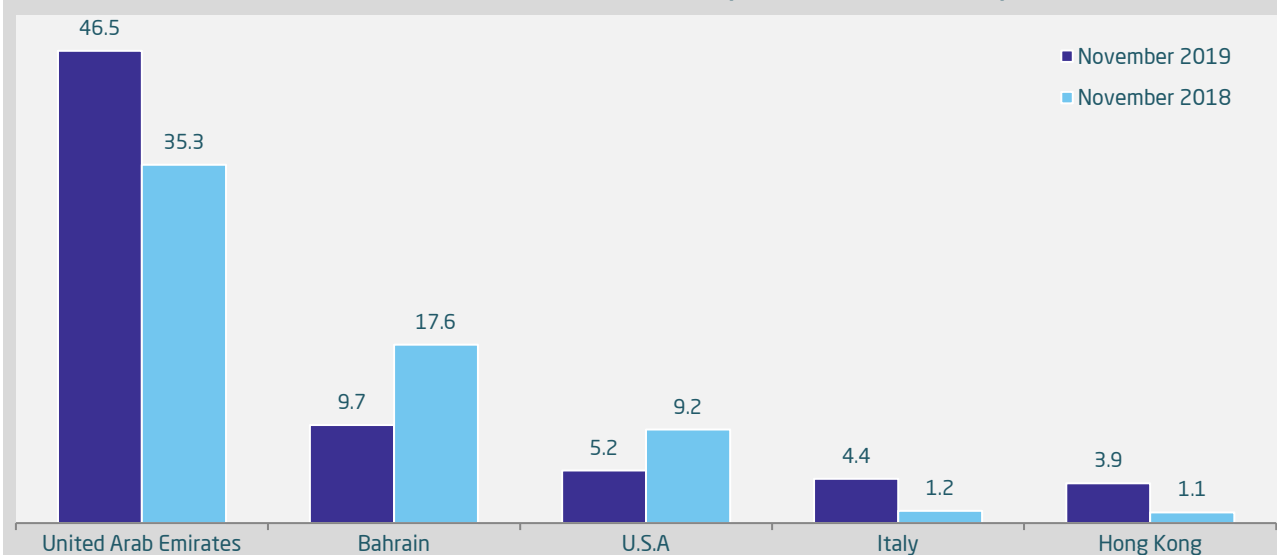
Products re-exported by Saudi Arabia amounted to 3 billion 223 million riyals in November 2019 compared to 2 billion 880 million riyals in November 2018, up by 342 million riyals or 11.9% over that period.

United Arab Emirates was the main destination for the re-exports, accounting for 46.5% of the total re-exports of the Kingdom in November 2019, followed by Bahrain with a share of

Re-exports, Monthly (Million Riyals)



Main Partner Countries for Re-exports (% of total re-exports)





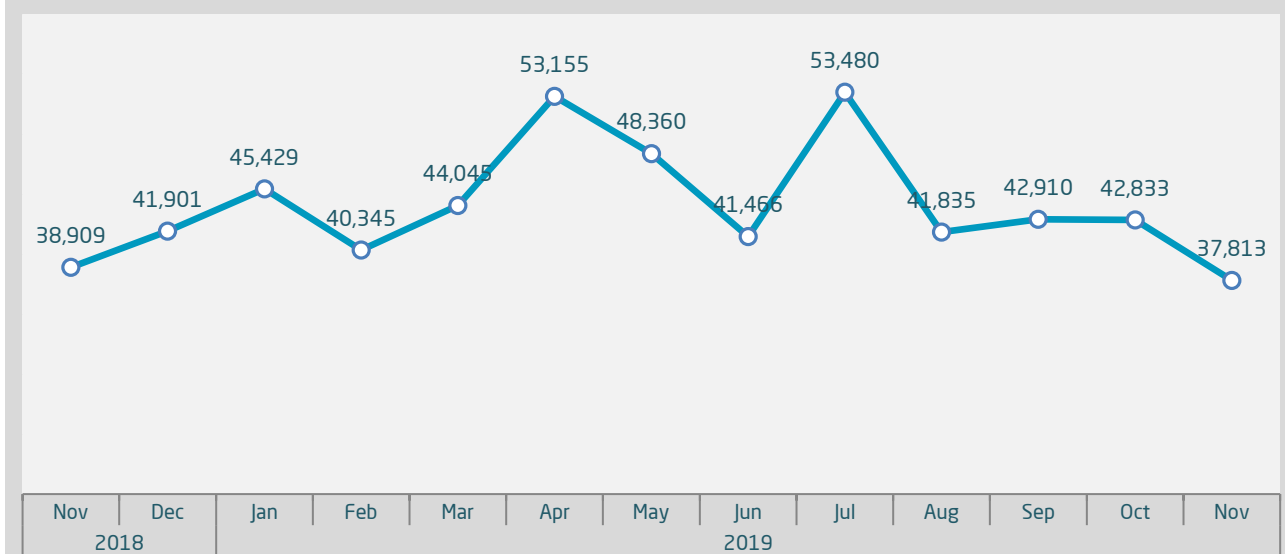
2. Merchandise Imports

2.1. Developments in Imports

Total merchandise imports of Saudi Arabia amounted to 37 billion 813 million riyals in November 2019 compared to 38 billion 909 million riyals in November 2018, corresponding to a decrease of 1 billion 96 million riyals or 2.8% over that period.

Merchandise imports in November 2019 were also lower than those in the preceding month (October 2019) by 5 billion 20 million riyals or 11.7%.

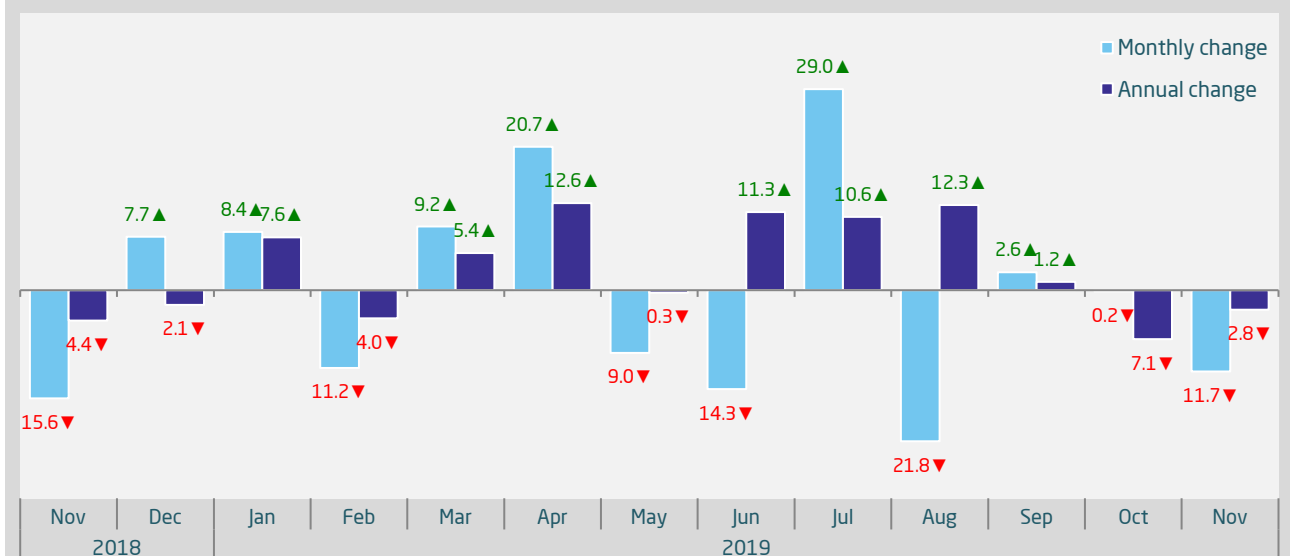
Imports, Monthly (Million Riyals)



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Change in Imports (%)

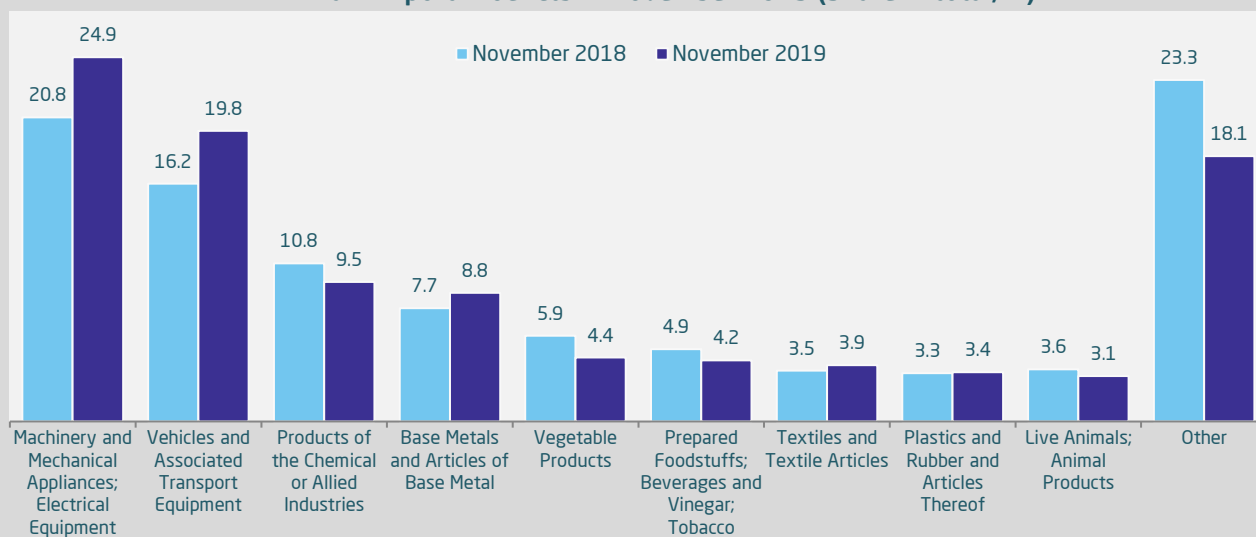




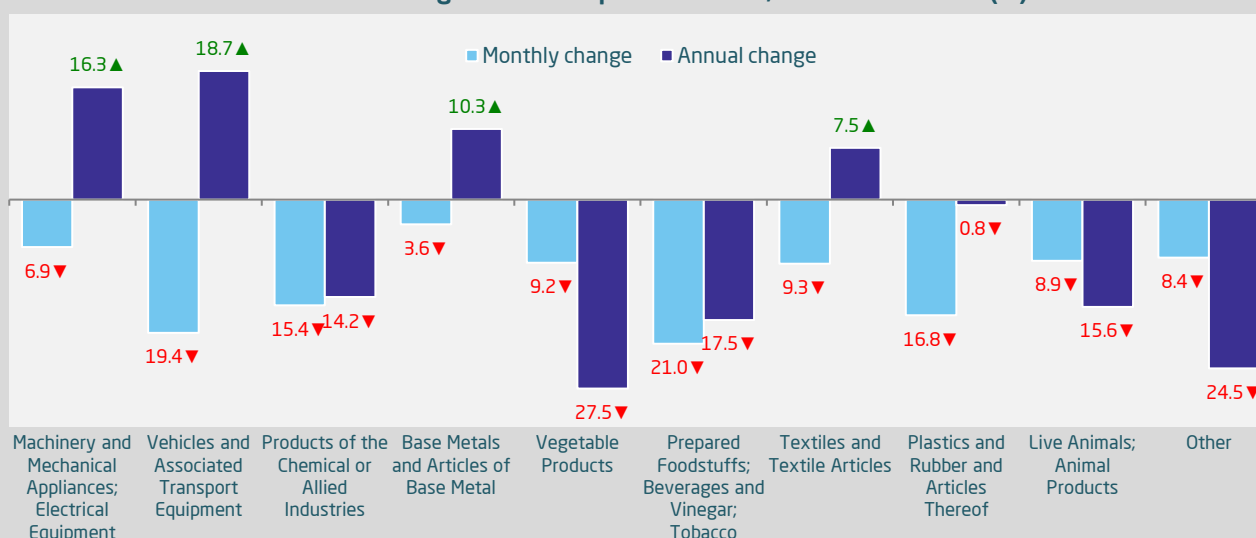
2.2. Imports by Section

Main Import Products (Million Riyals)					
Imported Products (by section of the Harmonized System)		November 2018	November 2019		
			Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
1	Machinery and Mechanical Appliances; Electrical Equipment	8,079	9,399	1,320▲	16.3▲
2	Vehicles and Associated Transport Equipment	6,322	7,505	1,183▲	18.7▲
3	Products of the Chemical or Allied Industries	4,202	3,606	596▼	14.2▼
4	Base Metals and Articles of Base Metal	3,011	3,320	309▲	10.3▲
5	Vegetable Products	2,277	1,651	626▼	27.5▼
6	Prepared Foodstuffs; Beverages and Vinegar; Tobacco	1,919	1,583	336▼	17.5▼
7	Textiles and Textile Articles	1,355	1,456	102▲	7.5▲
8	Plastics and Rubber and Articles Thereof	1,283	1,273	10▼	0.8▼
9	Live Animals; Animal Products	1,388	1,172	217▼	15.6▼
10	Other	9,074	6,848	2,225▼	24.5▼
Total		38,909	37,813	1,096▼	2.8▼

Main Import Products in November 2019 (Share in total, %)

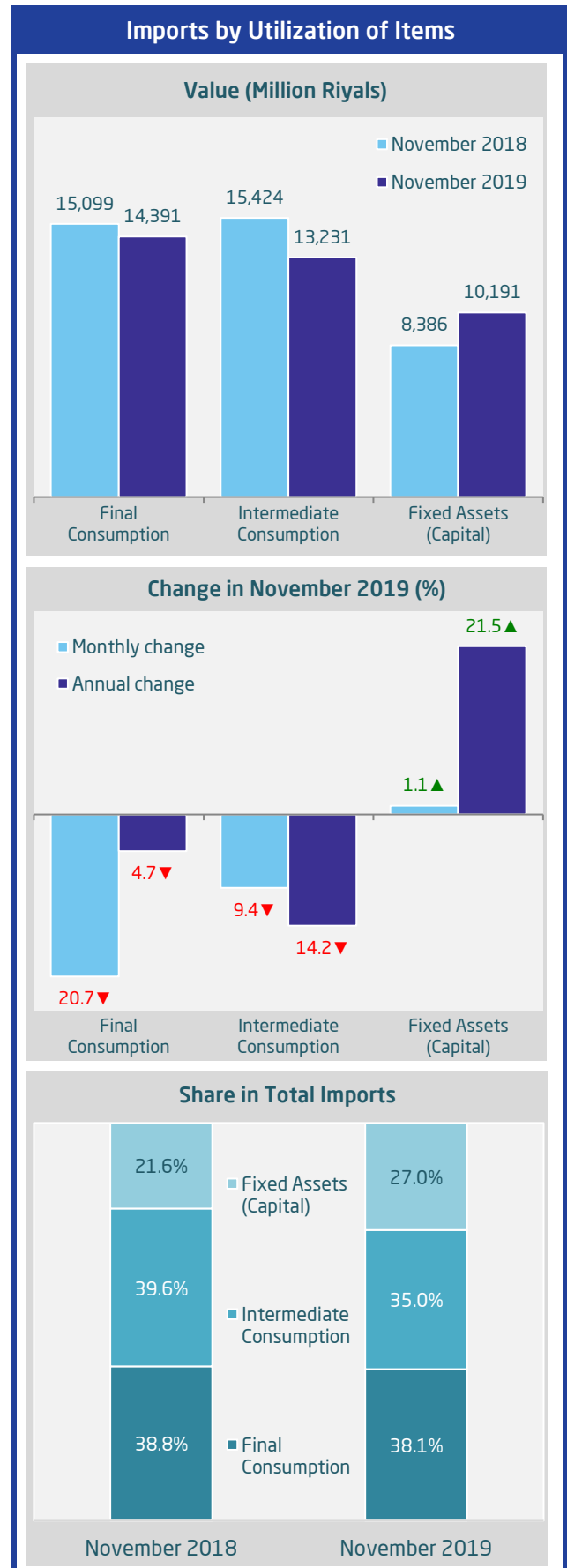
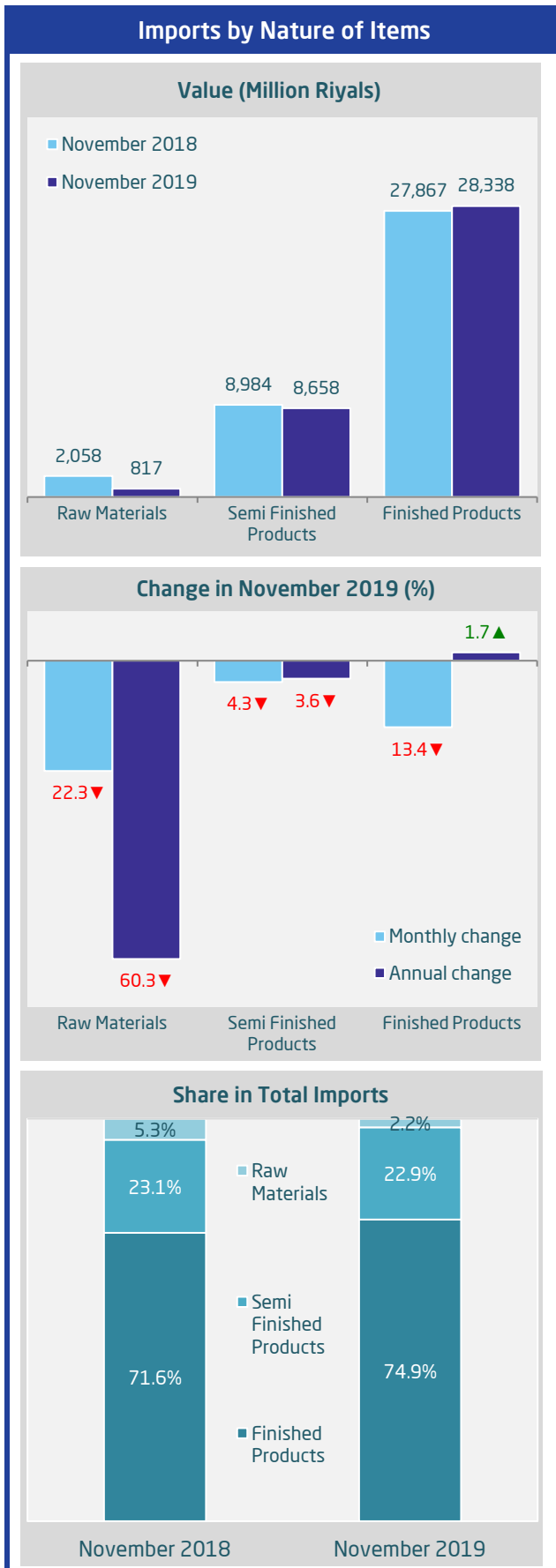


Change in Main Import Products, November 2019 (%)





2.3. Imports by Nature and Utilization of Items





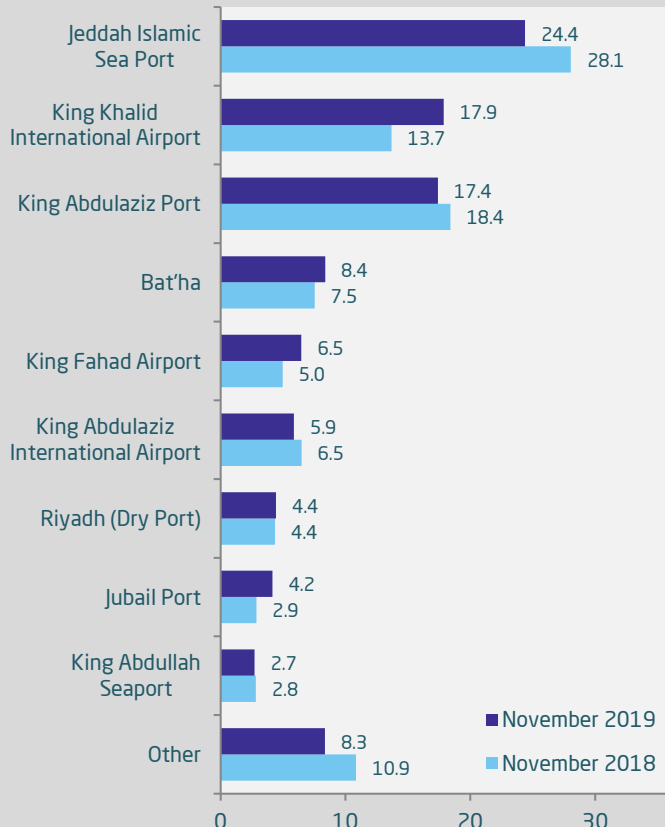
2.4. Imports by Mode of Transport and Customs Port

Imports by Mode of Transport and Customs Port (Million Riyals)

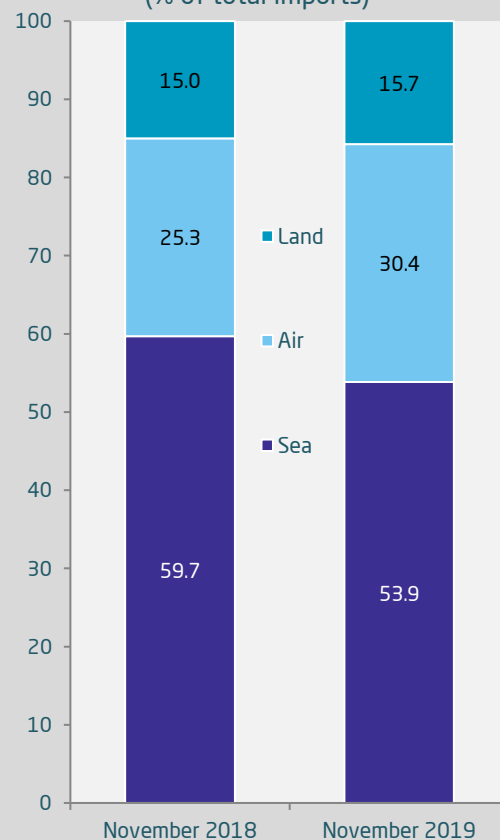
Mode of Transport and Customs Port	November 2018	November 2019		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
Sea	23,228	20,367	2,861 ▼	12.3 ▼
Jeddah Islamic Sea Port	10,916	9,217	1,698 ▼	15.6 ▼
King Abdulaziz Port	7,156	6,581	575 ▼	8.0 ▼
Jubail Port	1,113	1,571	458 ▲	41.2 ▲
Other Seaports	4,043	2,997	1,046 ▼	25.9 ▼
Air	9,845	11,491	1,645 ▲	16.7 ▲
King Khalid International Airport	5,324	6,753	1,429 ▲	26.8 ▲
King Fahad Airport	1,932	2,444	512 ▲	26.5 ▲
King Abdulaziz International Airport	2,520	2,222	298 ▼	11.8 ▼
Other Airports	70	72	2 ▲	2.8 ▲
Land	5,835	5,955	120 ▲	2.1 ▲
Bat'ha	2,934	3,166	232 ▲	7.9 ▲
Riyadh (Dry Port)	1,693	1,678	15 ▼	0.9 ▼
King Fahad Bridge	703	524	179 ▼	25.5 ▼
Other Land Ports	506	588	82 ▲	16.2 ▲
Total	38,909	37,813	1,096 ▼	2.8 ▼



Imports by Customs Port
(% of total imports)



Imports by Mode of Transport
(% of total imports)

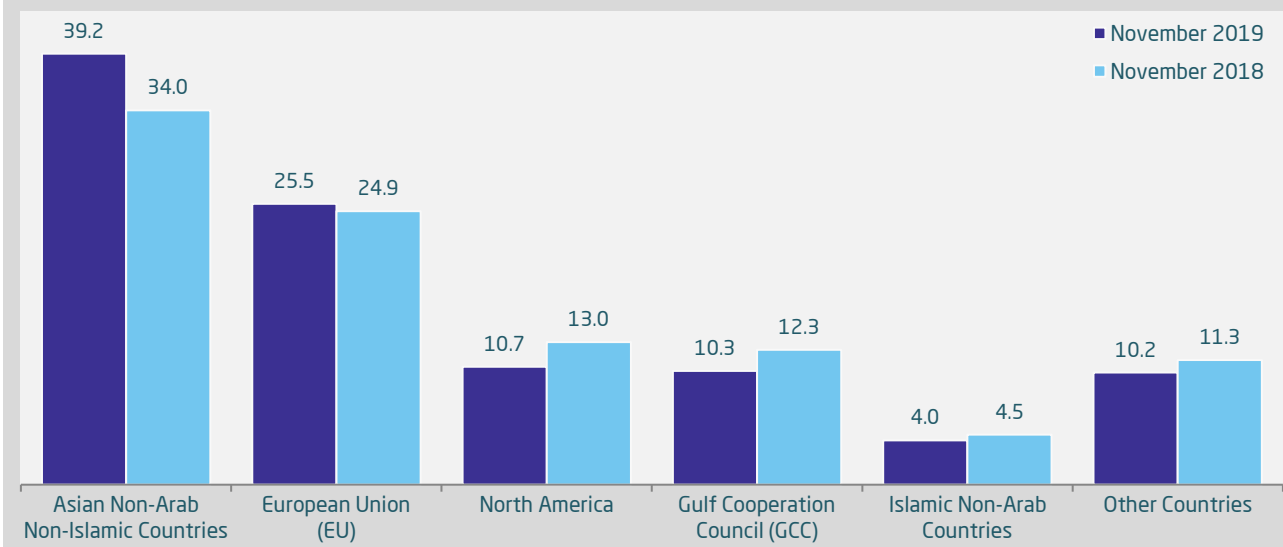




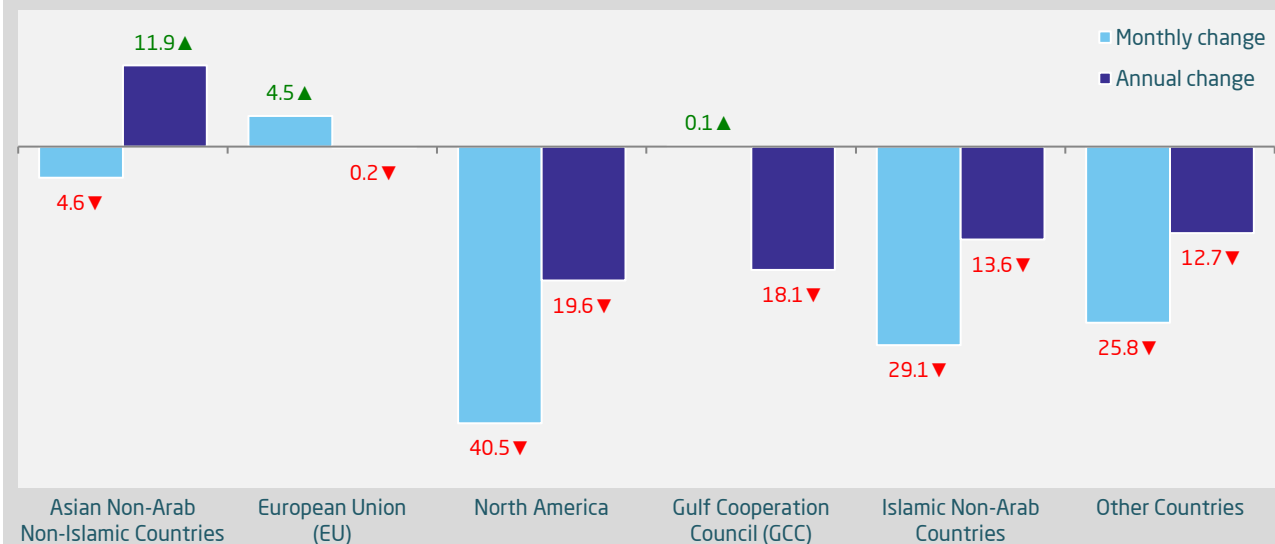
2.5. Imports by Group of Countries

Imports by Group of Countries (Million Riyals)					
Groups of Countries		November 2018	November 2019		
			Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
1	Asian Non-Arab Non-Islamic Countries	13,242	14,816	1,574▲	11.9▲
2	European Union (EU)	9,672	9,656	16▼	0.2▼
3	North America	5,046	4,055	991▼	19.6▼
4	Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC)	4,771	3,907	863▼	18.1▼
5	Islamic Non-Arab Countries	1,769	1,528	241▼	13.6▼
6	Other Countries	4,409	3,850	559▼	12.7▼
Total		38,909	37,813	1,096▼	2.8▼

Imports by Group of Countries, November 2019 (Share in total, %)



Change in Imports by Group of Countries, November 2019 (%)

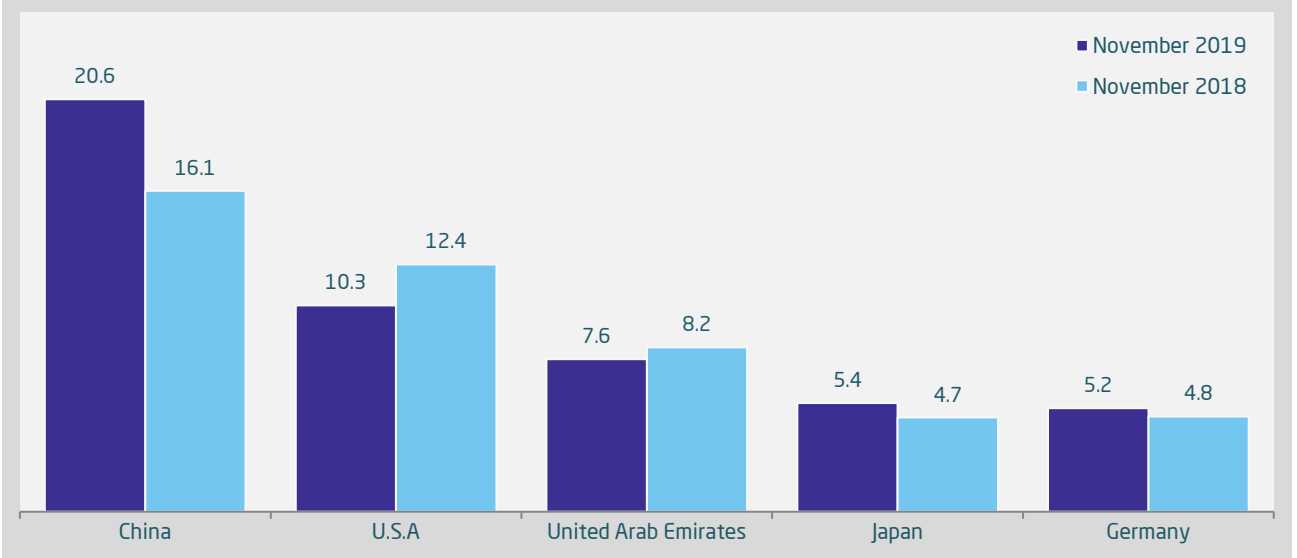




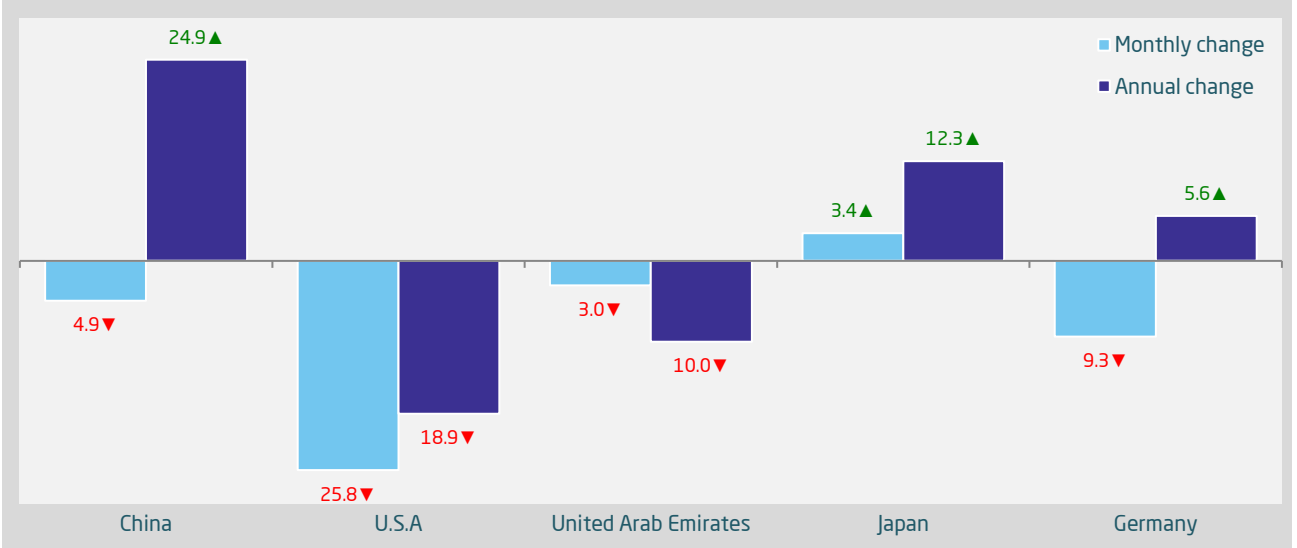
2.6. Top 5 Partner Countries for Imports

Top 5 Partner Countries for Imports (Million Riyals)					
Countries		November 2018	November 2019		
			Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
1	China	6,246	7,799	1,553▲	24.9▲
2	U.S.A	4,814	3,905	909▼	18.9▼
3	United Arab Emirates	3,202	2,882	319▼	10.0▼
4	Japan	1,833	2,059	226▲	12.3▲
5	Germany	1,855	1,958	103▲	5.6▲
Total		17,949	18,603	653▲	3.6▲
Share of the top 5 countries in total imports (%)		46.1	49.2		

Top 5 Partner Countries for Imports, November 2019 (Share in total, %)



Change in Imports from Top 5 Countries, November 2019 (%)





3. Trade Volume and Trade Balance

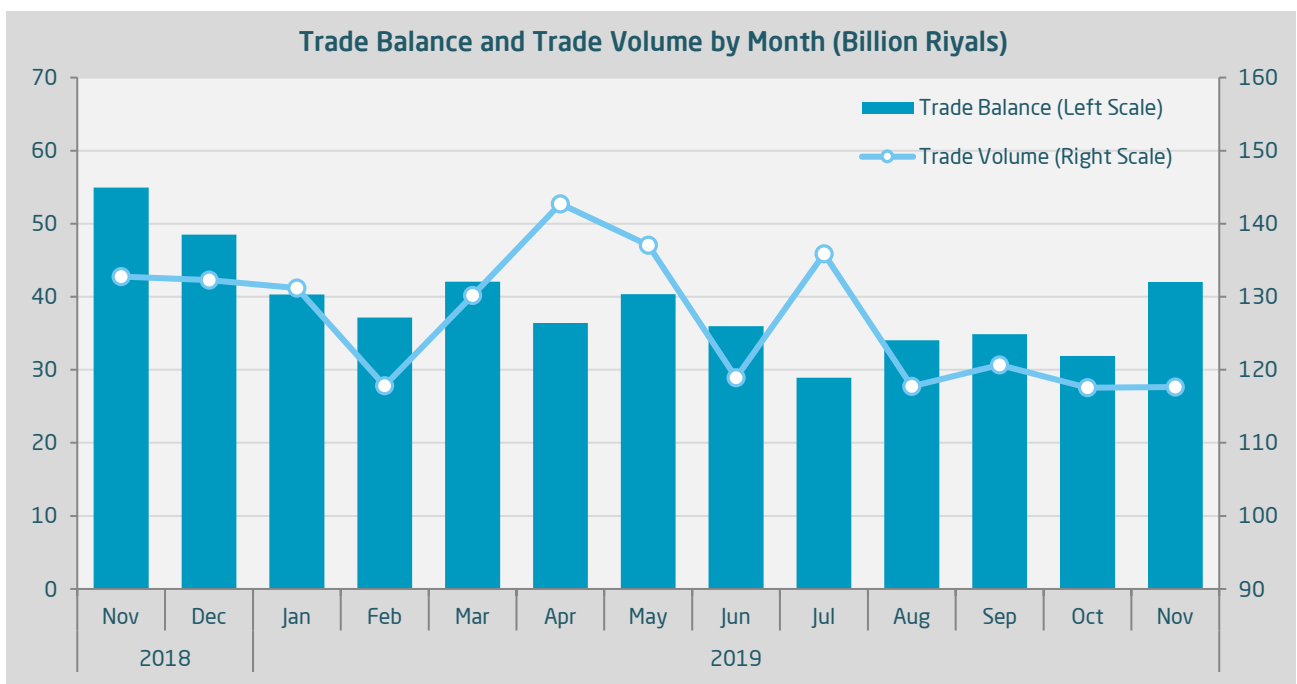
Merchandise trade volume of Saudi Arabia amounted to 117 billion 640 million riyals in November 2019 compared to 132 billion 766 million riyals in November 2018, corresponding to a decrease of 15 billion 126 million riyals or 11.4%. On the other hand, the Kingdom recorded a surplus of 42 billion 14 million riyals in its merchandise trade in November 2019, down by 12 billion 934 million riyals from the surplus of 54 billion 948 million riyals registered in November 2018.

Exports, Imports, Trade Volume, and Trade Balance, Monthly (Million Riyals)

Year	Month	Merchandise Exports	Merchandise Imports	Trade Volume	Trade Balance
2018	November	93,857	38,909	132,766	54,948
	December	90,383	41,901	132,284	48,482
2019	January	85,743	45,429	131,172	40,315
	February	77,494	40,345	117,839	37,150
	March	86,125	44,045	130,170	42,080
	April	89,574	53,155	142,729	36,419
	May	88,690	48,360	137,050	40,330
	June	77,449	41,466	118,915	35,983
	July	82,412	53,480	135,891	28,932
	August	75,896	41,835	117,731	34,061
	September	77,772	42,910	120,682	34,862
	October	74,711	42,833	117,544	31,878
	November	79,827	37,813	117,640	42,014



Trade Balance and Trade Volume by Month (Billion Riyals)





4. Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Monthly

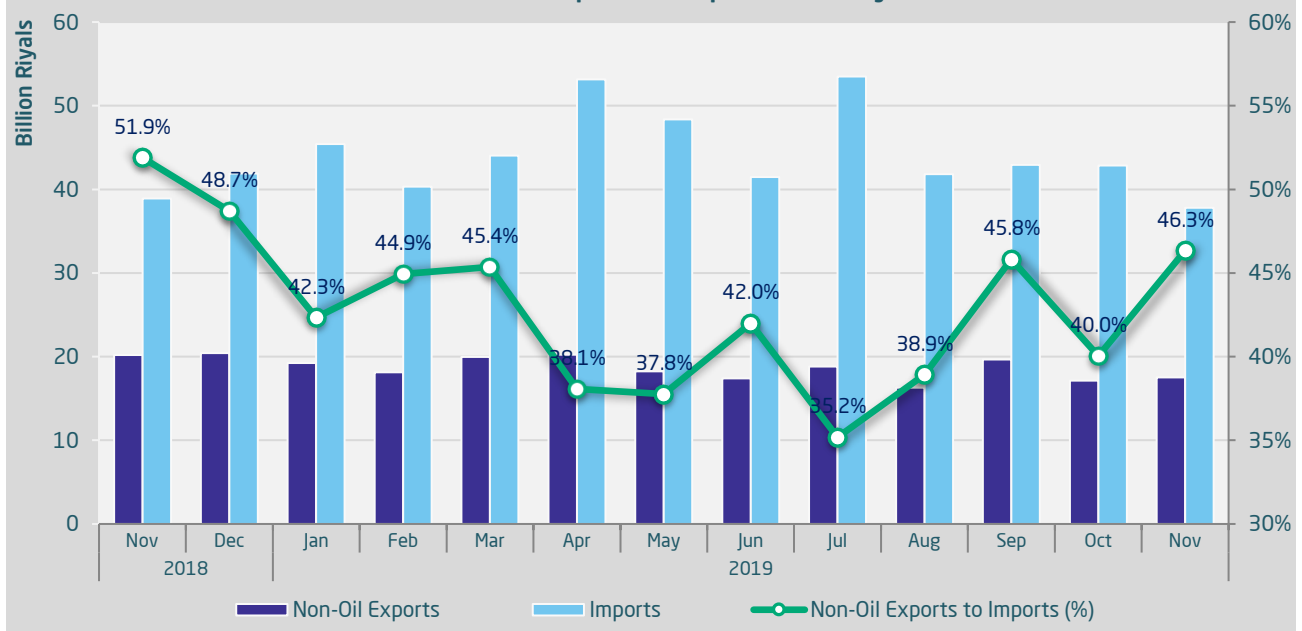
Non-oil exports decreased from 20 billion 191 million riyals in November 2018 to 17 billion 518 million riyals in November 2019 while imports decreased from 38 billion 909 million riyals to 37 billion 813 million riyals over the same period. Accordingly, the ratio of non-oil exports to imports decreased to 46.3% in November 2019 from 51.9% in November 2018 as a result of a larger decrease in non-oil exports (13.2%) than in imports (2.8%) over that

Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Monthly

Year	Month	Non-oil Merchandise Exports		Merchandise Imports		Non-oil Exports to Imports (%)
		Million Riyals	Annual Change (%)	Million Riyals	Annual Change (%)	
2018	November	20,191	6.5▲	38,909	4.4▼	51.9
	December	20,408	8.4▲	41,901	2.1▼	48.7
2019	January	19,232	6.6▲	45,429	7.6▲	42.3
	February	18,127	0.9▼	40,345	4.0▼	44.9
	March	19,977	1.4▼	44,045	5.4▲	45.4
	April	20,237	3.0▼	53,155	12.6▲	38.1
	May	18,260	17.0▼	48,360	0.3▼	37.8
	June	17,414	2.6▼	41,466	11.3▲	42.0
	July	18,815	12.7▼	53,480	10.6▲	35.2
	August	16,286	2.1▼	41,835	12.3▲	38.9
	September	19,660	1.8▲	42,910	1.2▲	45.8
	October	17,152	14.3▼	42,833	7.1▼	40.0
	November	17,518	13.2▼	37,813	2.8▼	46.3



Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Monthly

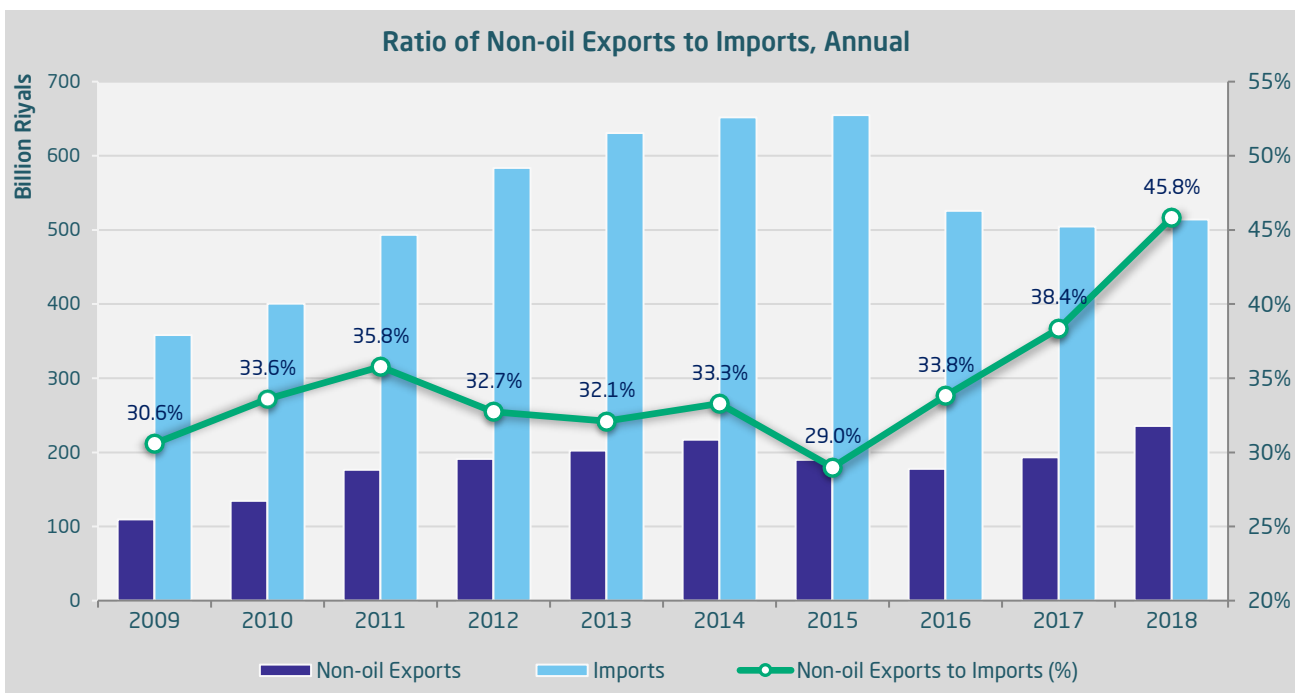




5. Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Annual

Non-oil exports increased from 193 billion 479 million riyals in 2017 to 235 billion 458 million riyals in 2018 while imports increased from 504 billion 447 million riyals to 513 billion 993 million riyals over the same period. Accordingly, the ratio of non-oil exports to imports increased to 45.8% in 2018 from 38.4% in the previous year as a result of a higher increase in non-oil exports (21.7%) than in imports (1.9%) over the previous year.

Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Annual					
Year	Non-oil Merchandise Exports		Merchandise Imports		Non-oil Exports to Imports (%)
	Million Riyals	Annual Change (%)	Million Riyals	Annual Change (%)	
2009	109,619	9.9▼	358,290	17.0▼	30.6
2010	134,610	22.8▲	400,736	11.8▲	33.6
2011	176,568	31.2▲	493,449	23.1▲	35.8
2012	190,952	8.1▲	583,473	18.2▲	32.7
2013	202,443	6.0▲	630,582	8.1▲	32.1
2014	217,030	7.2▲	651,876	3.4▲	33.3
2015	189,901	12.5▼	655,033	0.5▲	29.0
2016	177,694	6.4▼	525,636	19.8▼	33.8
2017	193,479	8.9▲	504,447	4.0▼	38.4
2018	235,458	21.7▲	513,993	1.9▲	45.8





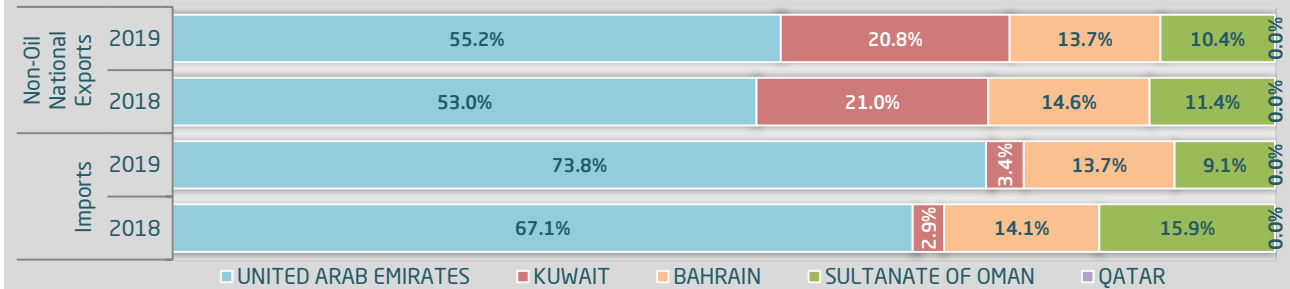
6. Trade between Saudi Arabia and GCC Countries

Non-oil exports of Saudi Arabia of national origin to the GCC countries amounted to 2 billion 291 million riyals in November 2019 compared to 2 billion 557 million riyals in November 2018, with a decrease of 266 million riyals or 10.4% over that period. Saudi Arabia's imports of goods from the GCC countries amounted to 3 billion 907 million riyals in November 2019 compared to 4 billion 771 million riyals in November 2018, down by 863 million riyals or 18.1% over that period.

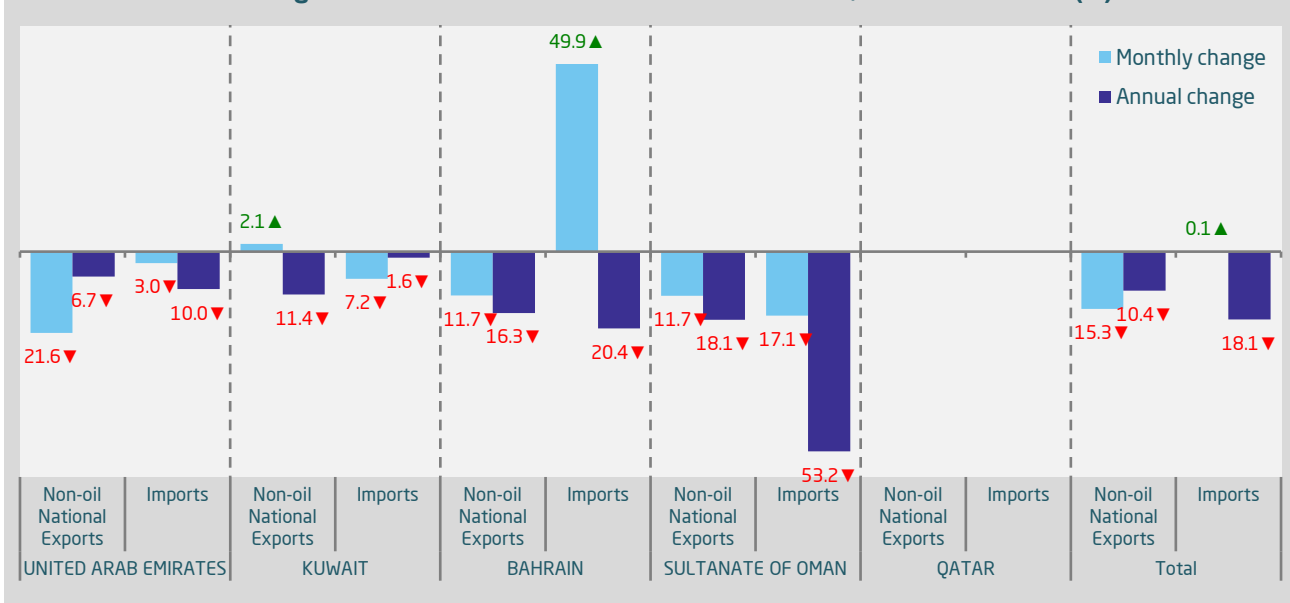
Saudi Arabia's Trade with GCC Countries in November (Million Riyals)

Partner Country	Non-oil Merchandise Exports						Merchandise Imports		Non-oil Trade Balance	
	National Exports		Re-exports		Total		2018	2019	2018	2019
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019				
United Arab Emirates	1,355	1,264	1,017	1,499	2,371	2,763	3,202	2,882	-831	-119
Kuwait	537	476	65	58	603	534	136	134	466	400
Bahrain	375	313	506	311	880	625	672	535	208	90
Sultanate Of Oman	291	238	28	24	319	262	760	356	-441	-94
Qatar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2,557	2,291	1,616	1,893	4,173	4,184	4,771	3,907	-597	277

Distribution of Saudi Arabia's Trade with GCC Countries in November (Share in Total, %)



Change in Saudi Arabia's Trade with GCC Countries, November 2019 (%)





Appendix

1- Exports and Imports of Saudi Arabia by Section

Merchandise Exports and Imports by Section* (Million Riyals)

Section	Description	Exports		Imports	
		November 2018	November 2019	November 2018	November 2019
1	Live animals; animal products	441.5	549.2	1,388.3	1,171.7
2	Vegetable products	133.6	126.5	2,277.0	1,650.8
3	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes	78.9	63.6	239.6	192.2
4	Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	449.1	476.6	1,919.0	1,583.1
5	Mineral products	74,006.9	62,525.9	2,046.0	1,124.8
6	Products of the chemical or allied industries	6,146.9	5,340.0	4,201.8	3,605.8
7	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof	6,978.4	5,307.0	1,283.0	1,272.9
8	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silk-worm gut)	25.3	23.7	126.9	153.4
9	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork and articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basket ware and wickerwork	29.4	24.6	358.5	278.6
10	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; recovered (waste and scrap) paper or paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof	254.2	208.3	503.6	465.2
11	Textiles and textile articles	159.1	140.3	1,354.5	1,456.3
12	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	5.3	18.6	245.3	215.6
13	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass and glassware	191.9	147.2	567.1	457.6
14	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin	519.3	469.2	1,087.2	1,108.7
15	Base metals and articles of base metal	1,678.5	1,279.9	3,010.7	3,319.9
16	Machinery and mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles	815.2	868.9	8,079.3	9,399.5
17	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment	1,599.6	1,904.1	6,321.6	7,504.5
18	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; clocks and watches; musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof	111.9	136.2	1,207.4	1,108.8
19	Arms and ammunition; parts and accessories thereof	0.7	10.0	1,152.9	208.8
20	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	209.0	175.6	941.5	1,013.1
21	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	22.1	31.0	597.6	521.4
	Total	93,856.7	79,826.7	38,908.8	37,812.8

* Sections of the Harmonized System (HS)





2- Non-oil Exports of Saudi Arabia by Country

Non-oil Exports by Country (Million Riyals) ¹			
#	Country	November 2018	November 2019
1	CHINA	3,568.2	3,191.3
2	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	2,371.4	2,763.1
3	INDIA	1,055.9	1,289.8
4	SINGAPORE	1,456.3	990.8
5	BAHRAIN	880.4	624.7
6	KUWAIT	602.6	534.1
7	BELGIUM	594.9	477.5
8	TURKEY	470.8	466.1
9	JORDAN	430.5	445.2
10	MALAYSIA	558.0	408.0
11	U.S.A	625.0	406.8
12	EGYPT	545.5	401.6
13	IRAQ	175.3	301.7
14	REPUBLIC OF YEMEN	286.5	291.6
15	ITALY	248.4	278.3
16	SULTANATE OF OMAN	319.0	262.2
17	SOUTH KOREA	431.1	260.0
18	BANGLADESH	239.5	246.3
19	PAKISTAN	296.5	229.5
20	NETHERLANDS	288.8	214.3
21	SPAIN	188.9	205.8
22	SUDAN	204.1	200.5
23	ALGERIA	230.1	182.6
24	THAILAND	191.4	180.0
25	TAIWAN	247.2	178.2
26	BRAZIL	130.9	174.9
27	VIETNAM	196.2	174.8
28	JAPAN	423.2	162.5
29	HONG KONG	75.6	160.6
30	UNITED KINGDOM	236.7	153.4
31	INDONESIA	290.7	144.8
32	SOUTH AFRICA	177.5	126.9
33	MOROCCO	113.5	98.1
34	GERMANY	70.9	96.1
35	EUROPEAN UNION, N.E.S	0.2	83.9
36	AUSTRALIA	100.6	81.3
37	KENYA	90.8	70.3

Non-oil Exports by Country (Million Riyals)			
#	Country	November 2018	November 2019
38	FRANCE	77.9	68.4
39	NIGERIA	53.4	65.9
40	TUNISIA	81.5	59.5
41	POLAND	134.6	55.7
42	LEBANON	142.8	48.5
43	NEW ZEALAND	47.7	37.9
44	TANZANIA	42.1	33.0
45	MYANMAR	28.6	30.8
46	LIBYA	75.0	29.7
47	DJIBOUTI	48.8	26.0
48	SWITZERLAND	309.0	25.8
49	GREECE	84.2	23.6
50	ETHIOPIA	14.7	22.2
51	GHANA	33.9	20.1
52	SRI LANKA	16.6	18.9
53	COTE D'IVOIRE	37.4	18.1
54	SWEDEN	23.9	16.7
55	CANADA	45.8	15.4
56	AFGHANISTAN	0.1	15.1
57	UGANDA	6.9	15.1
58	RUSSIAN FEDERATION	17.7	14.8
59	SENEGAL	10.3	14.3
60	SLOVENIA	3.8	13.9
61	PHILIPPINES	18.1	13.7
62	CONGO, THE DEMOCRATIC I	14.8	13.2
63	ANGOLA	9.5	13.0
64	PERU	77.1	11.3
65	ESTONIA	5.5	11.0
66	MAURITANIA	5.8	10.9
67	TOGO	15.4	10.6
68	PORTUGAL	21.6	10.5
69	SOMALIA	12.9	10.3
70	ARGENTINA	2.9	10.1
71	DENMARK	8.1	9.2
72	MOZAMBIQUE	7.3	9.1
73	MEXICO	15.1	8.8
74	UKRAINE	20.3	8.8



(1) Country ranking is based on November 2019. "0.0" indicates a value less than 50 thousands while a dash (-) indicates nil.



Non-oil Exports by Country (Million Riyals)

#	Country	November 2018	November 2019
75	GUATEMALA	15.8	8.4
76	COLOMBIA	9.7	8.0
77	PALESTINE	4.3	7.6
78	HUNGARY	2.6	7.2
79	CAMEROON	3.1	5.1
80	LUXEMBOURG	1.1	5.0
81	ROMANIA	0.8	5.0
82	NEPAL	1.1	4.5
83	CZECH REPUBLIC	3.4	3.7
84	GEORGIA	0.4	3.7
85	AUSTRIA	0.2	3.2
86	GUINEA-BISSAU	0.7	2.7
87	AZERBAIJAN	0.3	2.6
88	MALAWI	-	2.5
89	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	2.5	2.4
90	ECUADOR	20.3	2.2
91	LITHUANIA	0.9	2.2
92	PARAGUAY	4.1	2.0
93	NICARAGUA	0.9	1.9
94	IRELAND	2.1	1.9
95	CROATIA	0.3	1.9
96	MALDIVES	0.3	1.8
97	MADAGASCAR	2.0	1.7
98	CHILE	3.0	1.6
99	URUGUAY	1.1	1.6
100	CYPRUS	3.5	1.5
101	MAURITIUS	5.0	1.4
102	GUINEA	3.3	1.4
103	EL SALVADOR	2.6	1.3
104	CAMBODIA	3.0	1.3
105	ERITREA	0.9	1.2
106	ZAMBIA	0.6	1.1
107	SLOVAKIA	1.9	1.1
108	FINLAND	5.5	1.1
109	CONGO	2.6	1.1
110	MAYOTTE	-	0.9
111	CUBA	4.1	0.9
112	SEYCHELLES	-	0.8
113	NORWAY	1.8	0.8

Non-oil Exports by Country (Million Riyals)

#	Country	November 2018	November 2019
114	BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA	0.6	0.8
115	BULGARIA	2.0	0.6
116	REUNION	-	0.6
117	RWANDA	3.2	0.6
118	WESTERN SAHARA	-	0.5
119	GAMBIA	0.5	0.4
120	CHAD	0.8	0.4
121	COSTA RICA	2.3	0.4
122	SIERRA LEONE	3.0	0.4
123	NIGER	0.0	0.3
124	MALTA	0.5	0.3
125	NAMIBIA	0.4	0.3
126	DOMINICA	2.9	0.3
127	BENIN	1.3	0.3
128	EQUATORIAL GUINEA	2.4	0.2
129	COMOROS	0.5	0.2
130	LESOTHO	-	0.1
131	LATVIA	0.1	0.1
132	BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	0.0	0.1
133	ALBANIA	0.5	0.1
134	GABON	0.5	0.1
135	PANAMA	0.3	0.1
136	BARBADOS	-	0.1
137	MALI	0.4	0.1
138	MONGOLIA	-	0.1
	OTHER COUNTRIES	69.0	6.9
	TOTAL	20,191.5	17,517.6





3- Imports of Saudi Arabia by Country

Imports by Country (Million Riyals) ²			
#	Country	November 2018	November 2019
1	CHINA	6,246.3	7,799.1
2	U.S.A	4,813.7	3,904.7
3	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	3,201.9	2,882.5
4	JAPAN	1,832.7	2,058.6
5	GERMANY	1,854.7	1,958.0
6	INDIA	1,402.6	1,714.0
7	ITALY	1,326.6	1,451.0
8	NETHERLANDS	459.3	1,324.0
9	SOUTH KOREA	1,584.5	1,265.3
10	FRANCE	1,319.2	1,059.8
11	UNITED KINGDOM	784.8	811.7
12	THAILAND	603.2	731.3
13	EGYPT	491.5	695.4
14	BAHRAIN	672.4	535.0
15	TURKEY	789.9	523.7
16	SWITZERLAND	619.7	507.6
17	INDONESIA	458.8	489.8
18	SPAIN	834.6	468.4
19	BRAZIL	651.0	429.8
20	VIETNAM	348.0	360.0
21	SULTANATE OF OMAN	760.0	355.8
22	BELGIUM	290.1	313.0
23	GREECE	483.7	301.0
24	SOUTH AFRICA	80.0	294.7
25	POLAND	297.1	294.4
26	MEXICO	211.5	289.4
27	TAIWAN	265.2	286.6
28	ARGENTINA	176.5	285.2
29	SWEDEN	400.1	255.1
30	HONG KONG	76.2	246.9
31	MALAYSIA	274.3	245.7
32	AUSTRIA	197.8	225.7
33	JORDAN	258.4	220.0
34	AUSTRALIA	265.5	213.5
35	IRELAND	328.8	190.3
36	SINGAPORE	729.0	173.4
37	ROMANIA	125.0	155.3

Imports by Country (Million Riyals)			
#	Country	November 2018	November 2019
38	CANADA	232.4	150.6
39	DENMARK	221.9	148.1
40	CZECH REPUBLIC	135.1	146.3
41	PAKISTAN	113.1	136.5
42	KUWAIT	136.2	134.1
43	NEW ZEALAND	101.2	128.1
44	HUNGARY	62.6	116.0
45	BANGLADESH	106.5	109.7
46	RUSSIAN FEDERATION	324.2	103.0
47	EUROPEAN UNION, N.E.S	76.2	100.3
48	FINLAND	120.9	92.5
49	CONGO, THE DEMOCRATIC I	179.3	85.2
50	PHILIPPINES	73.4	80.5
51	SLOVAKIA	76.9	73.9
52	LEBANON	76.8	70.4
53	PORTUGAL	55.2	53.7
54	ETHIOPIA	71.6	51.5
55	SYRIA	50.8	48.7
56	REPUBLIC OF YEMEN	49.1	44.0
57	UKRAINE	316.1	43.0
58	MOROCCO	44.3	40.5
59	NORWAY	48.3	39.3
60	PARAGUAY	1.9	35.3
61	SRI LANKA	31.9	34.3
62	SUDAN	140.5	28.4
63	KENYA	25.0	27.3
64	GUATEMALA	25.6	26.7
65	CAMBODIA	12.2	25.1
66	ECUADOR	46.4	24.8
67	MALTA	21.1	23.0
68	MYANMAR	9.3	22.0
69	BULGARIA	39.5	21.8
70	ESTONIA	63.1	18.9
71	SLOVENIA	9.7	17.3
72	SERBIA	11.1	14.7
73	PALESTINE	8.2	14.0
74	LITHUANIA	14.4	12.6



(2) Country ranking is based on November 2019. "0.0" indicates a value less than 50 thousands while a dash (-) indicates nil.



Imports by Country (Million Riyals)

#	Country	November 2018	November 2019
75	ZAMBIA	6.1	11.8
76	GEORGIA	0.2	11.2
77	PUERTO RICO	10.8	10.9
78	TUNISIA	30.9	10.8
79	COSTA RICA	10.1	10.1
80	LUXEMBOURG	11.0	9.9
81	CHILE	30.8	7.6
82	UZBEKISTAN	12.9	7.5
83	BELARUS	3.7	6.2
84	CYPRUS	5.2	5.5
85	DOMINICA	5.4	4.8
86	LATVIA	9.1	4.5
87	CROATIA	48.4	4.2
88	URUGUAY	0.5	4.1
89	NIGERIA	2.7	3.8
90	COLOMBIA	4.9	2.7
91	AFGHANISTAN	2.8	2.7
92	UGANDA	2.4	2.4
93	BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA	3.8	2.3
94	PERU	1.7	2.2
95	TANZANIA	1.1	1.9
96	HONDURAS	0.5	1.8
97	KAZAKHSTAN	0.2	1.6
98	ALGERIA	2.9	1.5
99	GABON	0.3	1.5
100	GHANA	1.8	1.4
101	SAN MARINO	1.9	1.4
102	MADAGASCAR	0.4	1.3
103	MOLDOVA	0.9	1.3
104	MAURITIUS	0.5	1.2
105	MAURITANIA	3.1	1.1
106	RWANDA	0.7	1.0
107	SOMALIA	1.1	1.0
108	EL SALVADOR	0.1	0.8
109	CAMEROON	1.2	0.8
110	DJIBOUTI	3.0	0.8
111	NORTH KOREA	1.7	0.8
112	NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	0.9	0.6
113	MACEDONIA	0.9	0.6

Imports by Country (Million Riyals)

#	Country	November 2018	November 2019
114	PANAMA	0.0	0.6
115	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	1.0	0.5
116	AZERBAIJAN	0.2	0.5
117	IRAQ	5.7	0.5
118	MALDIVES	0.4	0.4
119	MOZAMBIQUE	0.4	0.4
120	FIJI	0.3	0.4
121	NICARAGUA	0.7	0.4
122	NAMIBIA	0.3	0.4
123	BERMUDA	-	0.3
124	ZIMBABWE	0.7	0.3
125	ALBANIA	2.4	0.3
126	LAOS	19.6	0.3
127	BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	0.0	0.3
128	MONGOLIA	0.2	0.3
129	VIRGIN ISLANDS BRITISH	-	0.2
130	KYRGYZSTAN	0.3	0.2
131	MALAWI	0.1	0.1
132	COTE D'IVOIRE	0.3	0.1
133	BOLIVIA	0.0	0.1
134	ICELAND	0.1	0.1
135	TURKMENISTAN	0.0	0.1
136	LIECHTENSTEIN	0.0	0.1
137	MONACO	0.1	0.1
138	CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUB	-	0.1
139	BURUNDI	0.0	0.1
140	BENIN	-	0.1
141	HAITI	0.1	0.1
142	SWAZILAND	0.0	0.1
143	TURKS& CAICOS ISLANDS	-	0.1
OTHER COUNTRIES		3.4	0.3
TOTAL		38,908.8	37,812.8





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