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Introduction

This report presents the developments in merchandise exports (non-oil) and imports of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for January 2016 as compared to the same period of the previous year, January 2015, according to the statistical methods and international standard classifications, mainly the Harmonized System (H.S).

It should be noted that the statistics presented in this report are preliminary and they may undergo some modifications in case of a data update.

Note: There might be some differences in the aggregates of numbers or percentages due to rounding.



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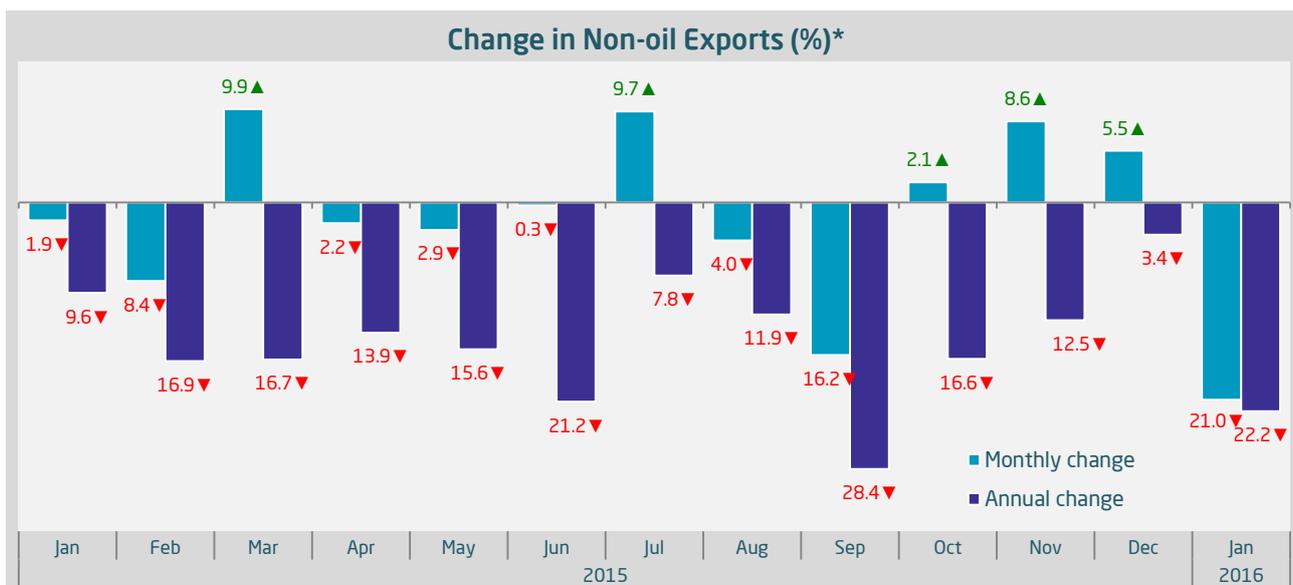
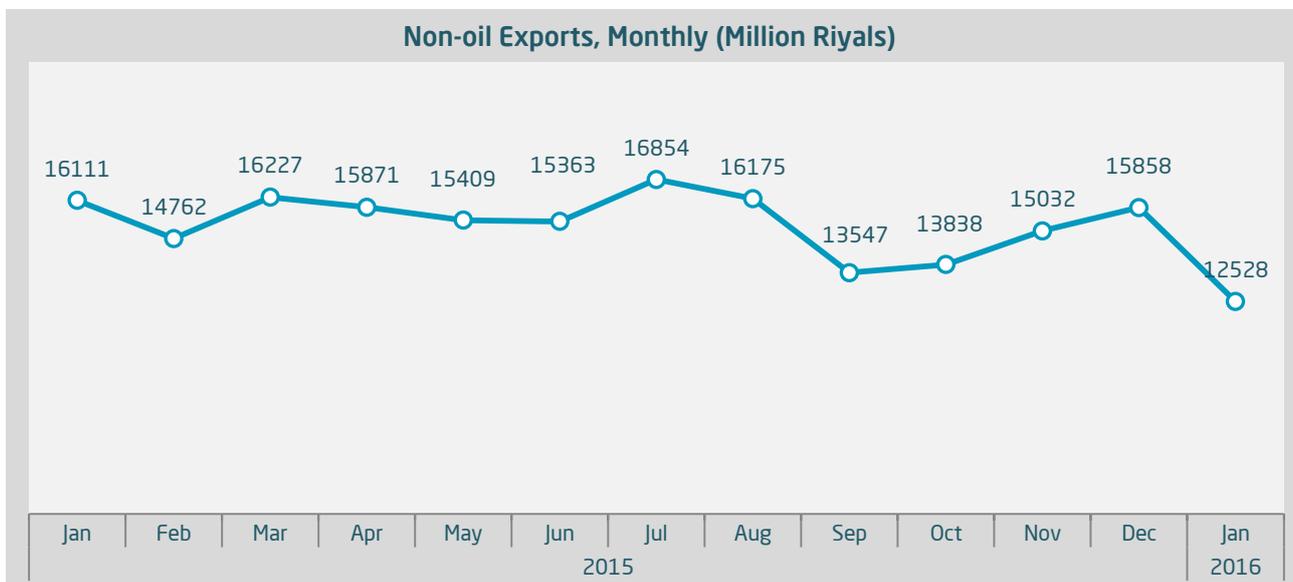


1. Non-oil Merchandise Exports

1.1. Developments in Exports

Non-oil merchandise exports of Saudi Arabia amounted to 12528 million riyals in January 2016 as compared to 16111 million riyals in the corresponding period of the previous year, down by 3583 million riyals or 22.2%.

Non-oil exports in January 2016 were also lower than those in the preceding month (December 2015) by 3330 million riyals or 21.0%.



* **Monthly change:** Change from the previous month.

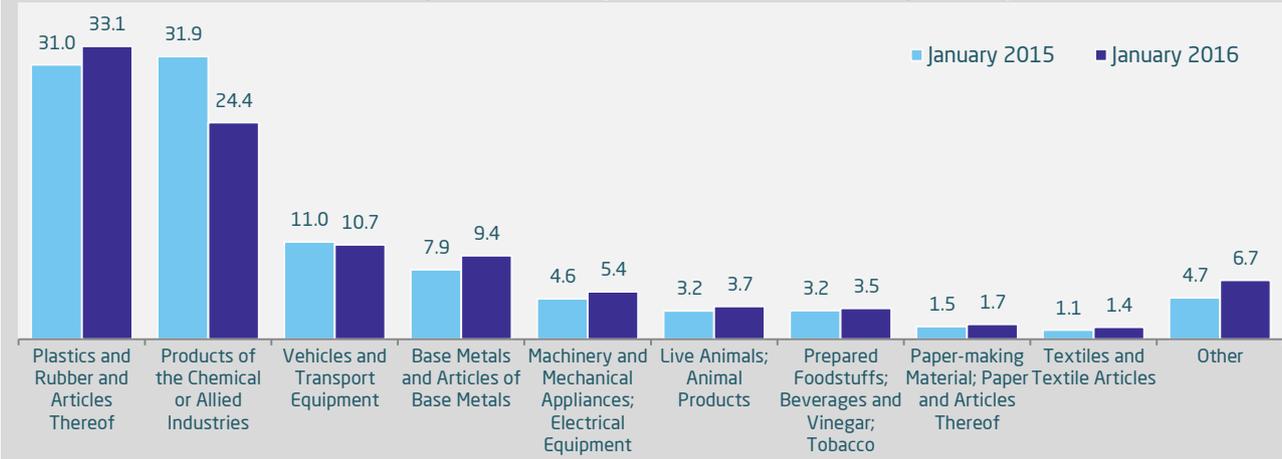
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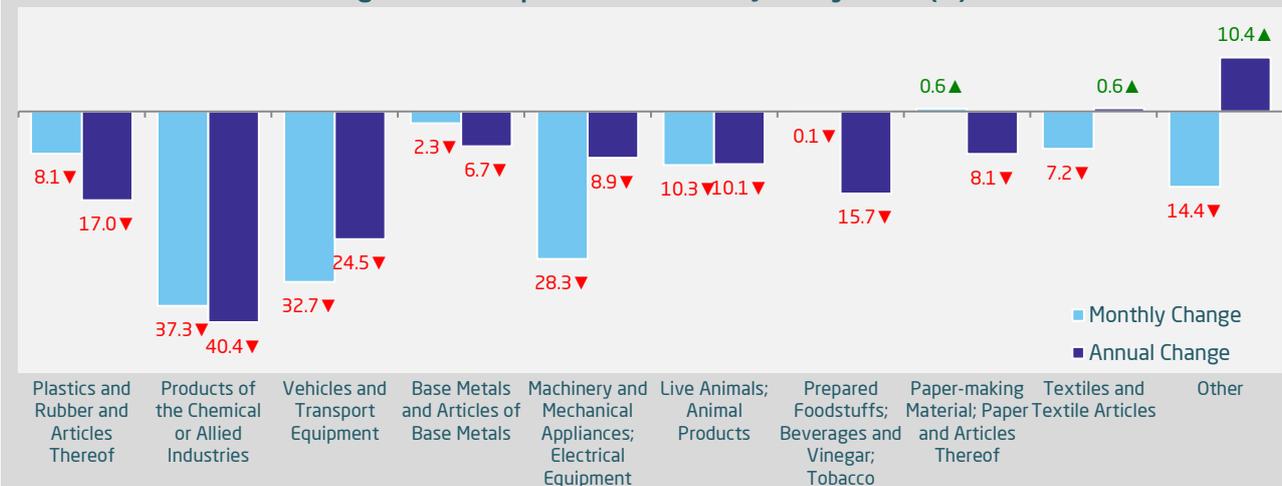
1.2. Exports by Section

Main Export Products (Million Riyals)				
Exported Products (by section of the Harmonized System)	January 2015	January 2016		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
Plastics and Rubber and Articles Thereof	4990	4141	849▼	17.0▼
Products of the Chemical or Allied Industries	5139	3062	2077▼	40.4▼
Vehicles and Transport Equipment	1771	1338	433▼	24.5▼
Base Metals and Articles of Base Metals	1268	1184	85▼	6.7▼
Machinery and Mechanical Appliances; Electrical Equipment	740	674	66▼	8.9▼
Live Animals; Animal Products	517	464	52▼	10.1▼
Prepared Foodstuffs; Beverages and Vinegar; Tobacco	524	441	82▼	15.7▼
Paper-making Material; Paper and Articles Thereof	235	215	19▼	8.1▼
Textiles and Textile Articles	171	173	1▲	0.6▲
Other Commodities	757	835	79▲	10.4▲
Total	16111	12528	3583▼	22.2▼

Main Export Products (Share in total non-oil exports, %)



Change in Main Export Commodities, January 2016 (%)





1.3. Exports by Country Group

Exports by Country Group (Million Riyals)				
Groups of Countries	January 2015	January 2016		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
Gulf Cooperation Council	4262	3687	575 ▼	13.5 ▼
Asian Non-Arab, Non-Islamic Countries	4873	3030	1842 ▼	37.8 ▼
Other Arab League Countries	2011	1716	295 ▼	14.6 ▼
European Union (EU)	1791	1606	185 ▼	10.3 ▼
Islamic Non-Arab Countries	1553	1441	111 ▼	7.2 ▼
Other Countries	1623	1048	575 ▼	35.4 ▼
Total	16111	12528	3583 ▼	22.2 ▼

Exports by Country Group (Share in total non-oil exports, %)



Change in Exports by Country Group, January 2016 (%)





1.4. Top 5 Partner Countries for Exports

Top 5 Partner Countries for Exports (Million Riyals)				
Countries	January 2015	January 2016		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
United Arab Emirates	2378	1817	561 ▼	23.6 ▼
China	1836	939	898 ▼	48.9 ▼
India	852	656	196 ▼	23.0 ▼
Bahrain	549	590	41 ▲	7.5 ▲
Turkey	505	520	15 ▲	3.0 ▲
Total	6121	4523	1598 ▼	26.1 ▼
Share of the top 5 countries in total non-oil exports (%)	37.99	36.10		

Top 5 Partner Countries for Exports (Share in total non-oil exports, %)



Change in Exports to Top 5 Countries, January 2016 (%)



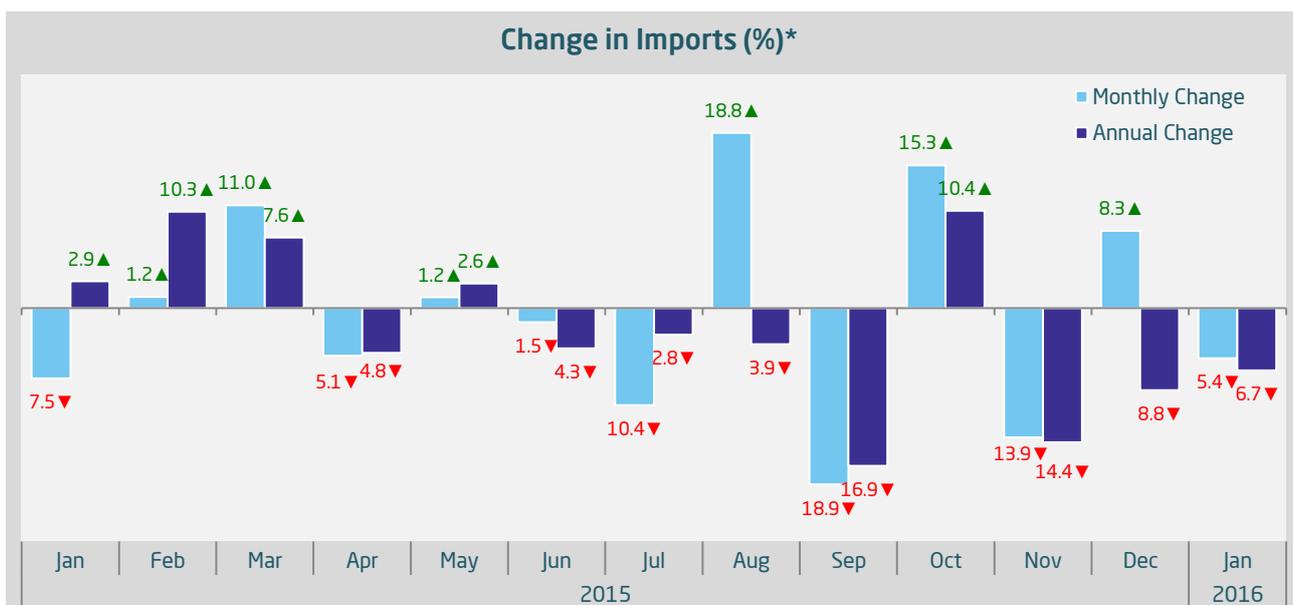
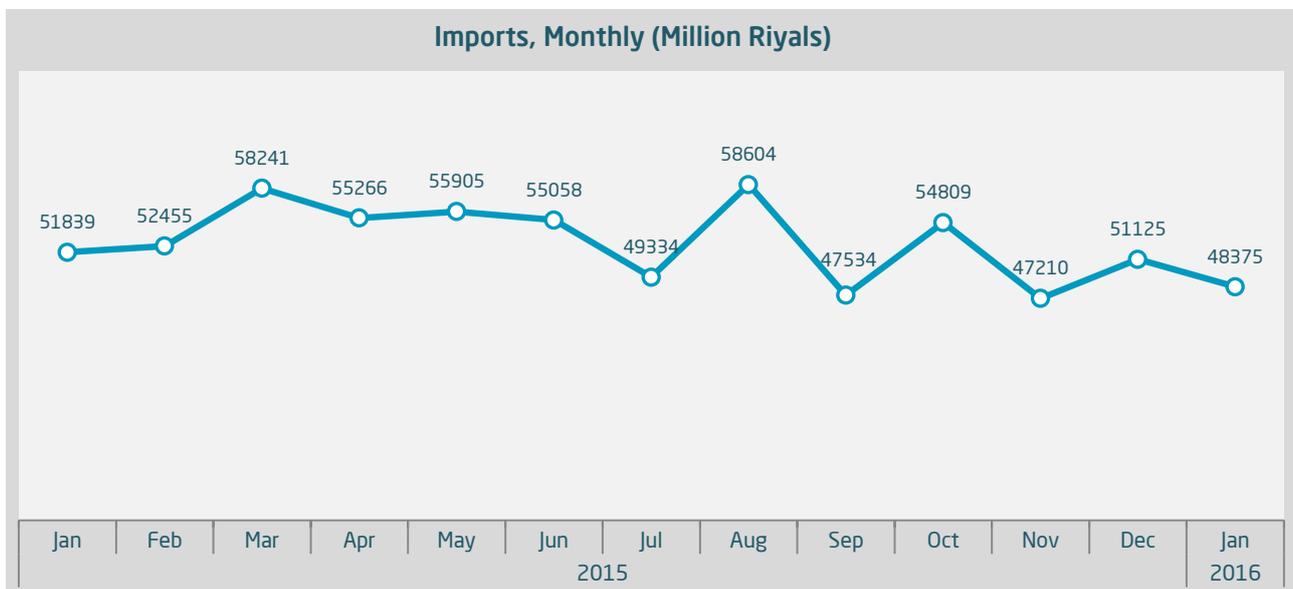


2. Merchandise Imports

2.1. Developments in Imports

Total merchandise imports of Saudi Arabia amounted to 48375 million riyals in January 2016 as compared to 51839 million riyals in the corresponding period of the previous year, down by 3464 million riyals or 6.7%.

Imports in January 2016 were also lower than those in the preceding month (December 2015) by 2750 million riyals or 5.4%.



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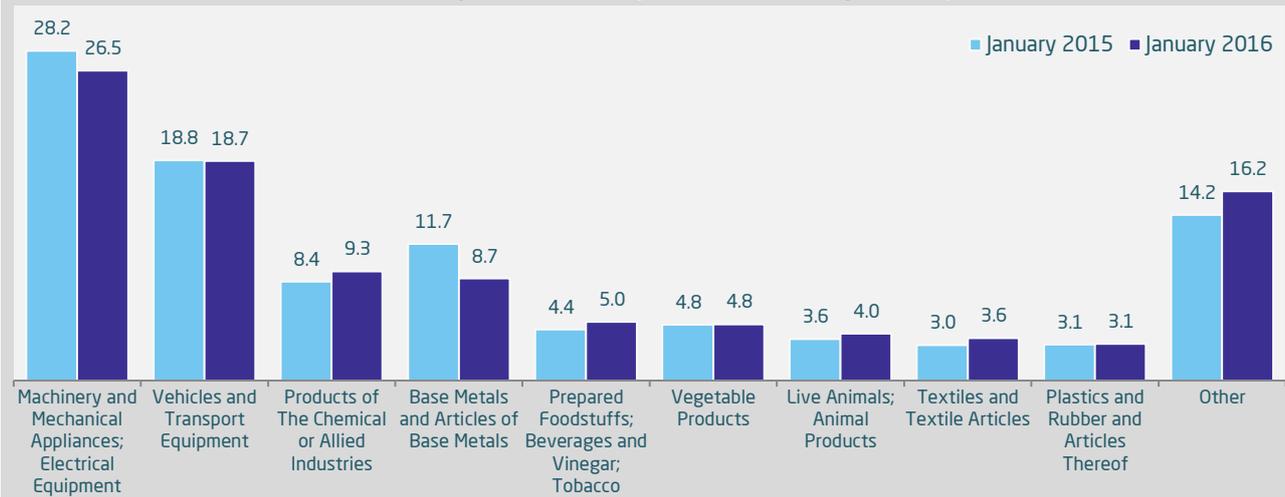
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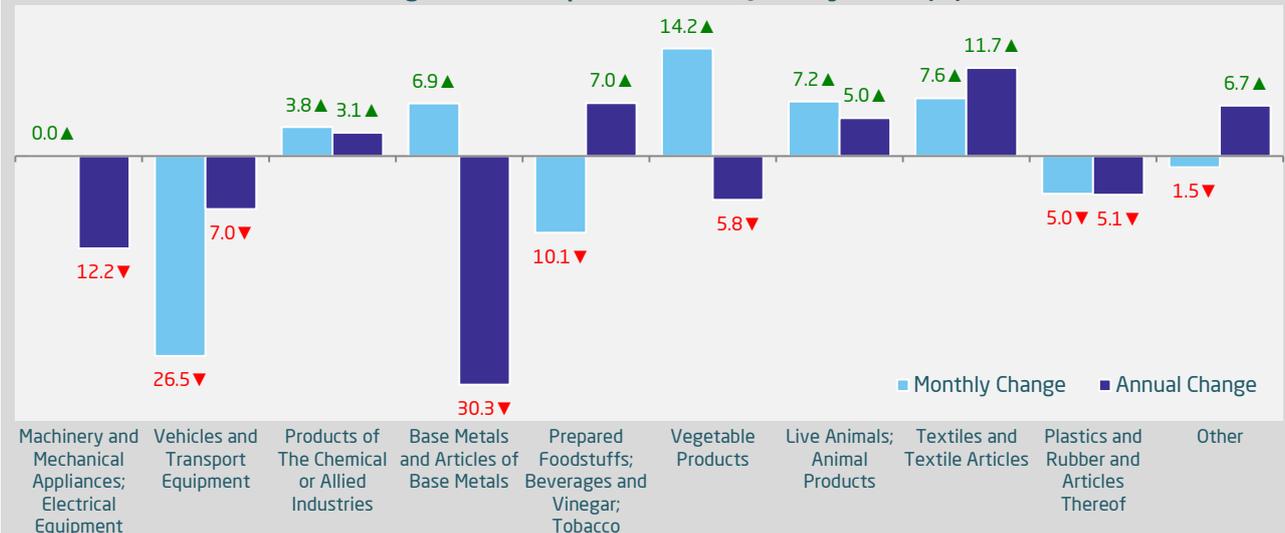
2.2. Imports by Section

Main Import Products (Million Riyals)				
Imported Products (by section of the Harmonized System)	January 2015	January 2016		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
Machinery and Mechanical Appliances; Electrical Equipment	14593	12809	1784▼	12.2▼
Vehicles and Transport Equipment	9751	9068	683▼	7.0▼
Products of The Chemical or Allied Industries	4375	4509	135▲	3.1▲
Base Metals and Articles of Base Metals	6041	4213	1828▼	30.3▼
Prepared Foodstuffs; Beverages and Vinegar; Tobacco	2262	2420	158▲	7.0▲
Vegetable Products	2469	2326	143▼	5.8▼
Live Animals; Animal Products	1842	1934	93▲	5.0▲
Textiles and Textile Articles	1572	1756	183▲	11.7▲
Plastics and Rubber and Articles Thereof	1597	1516	82▼	5.1▼
Other Commodities	7336	7825	489▲	6.7▲
Total	51839	48375	3463▼	6.7▼

Main Import Products (Share in total imports, %)

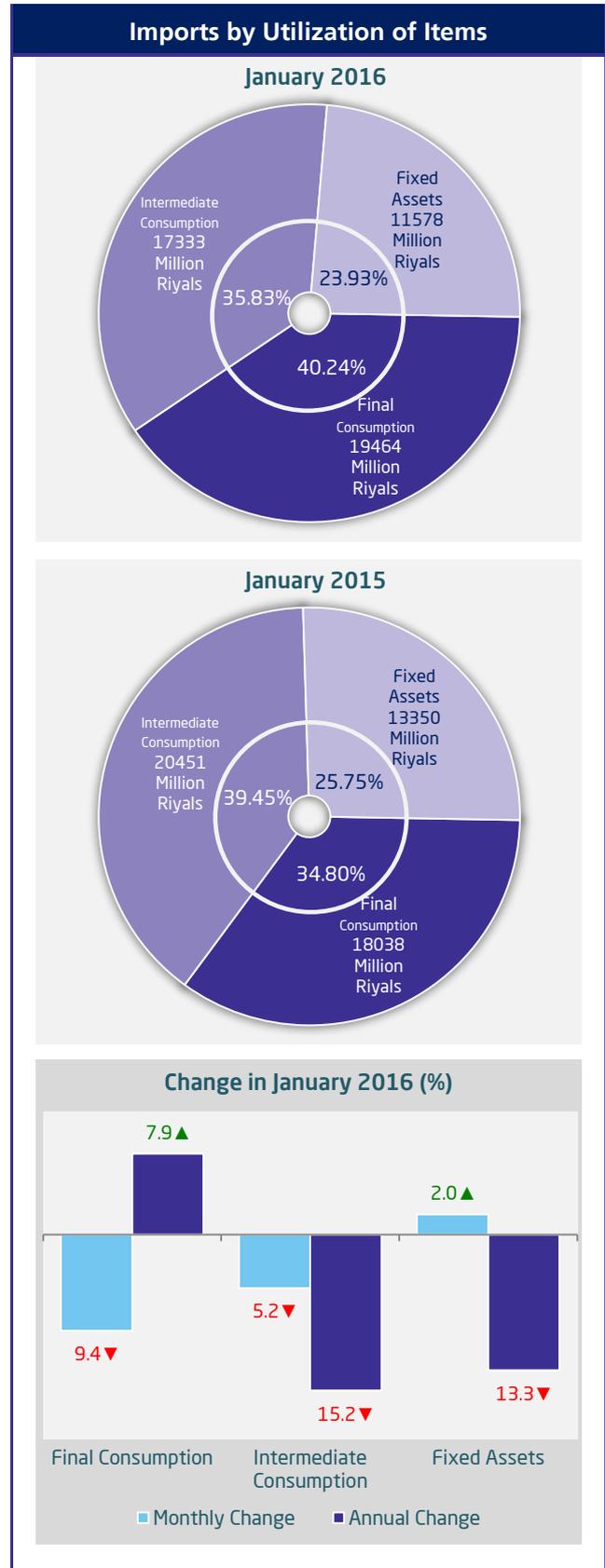
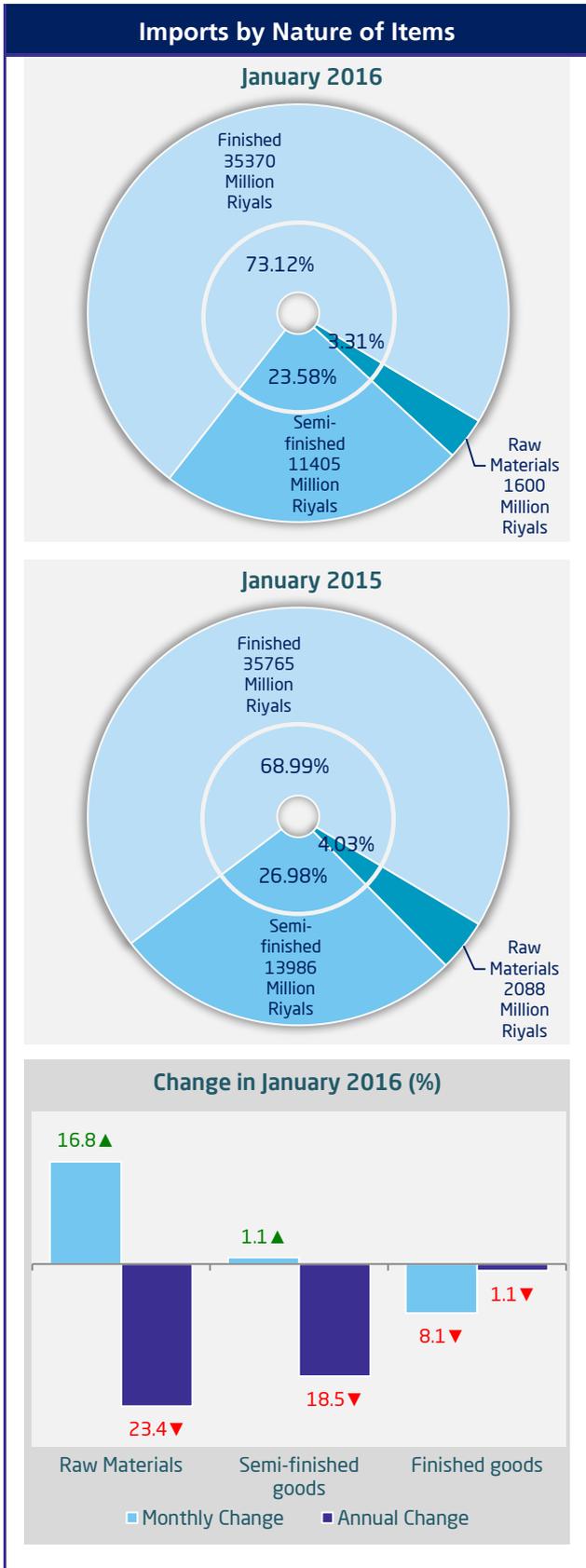


Change in Main Import Products, January 2016 (%)





2.3. Imports by Nature and Utilization of Items

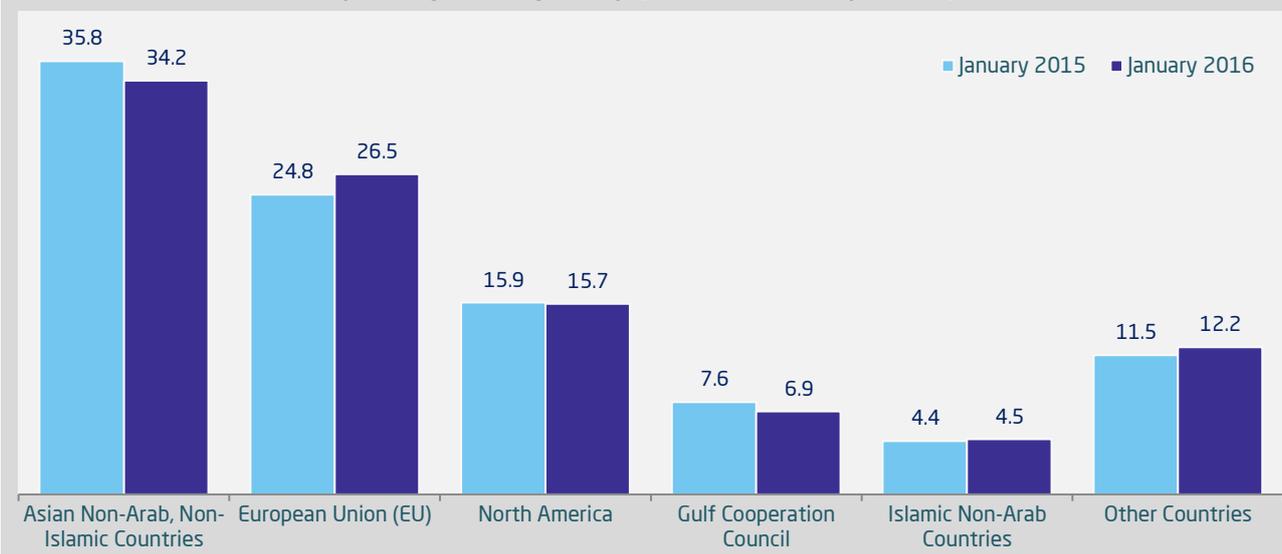




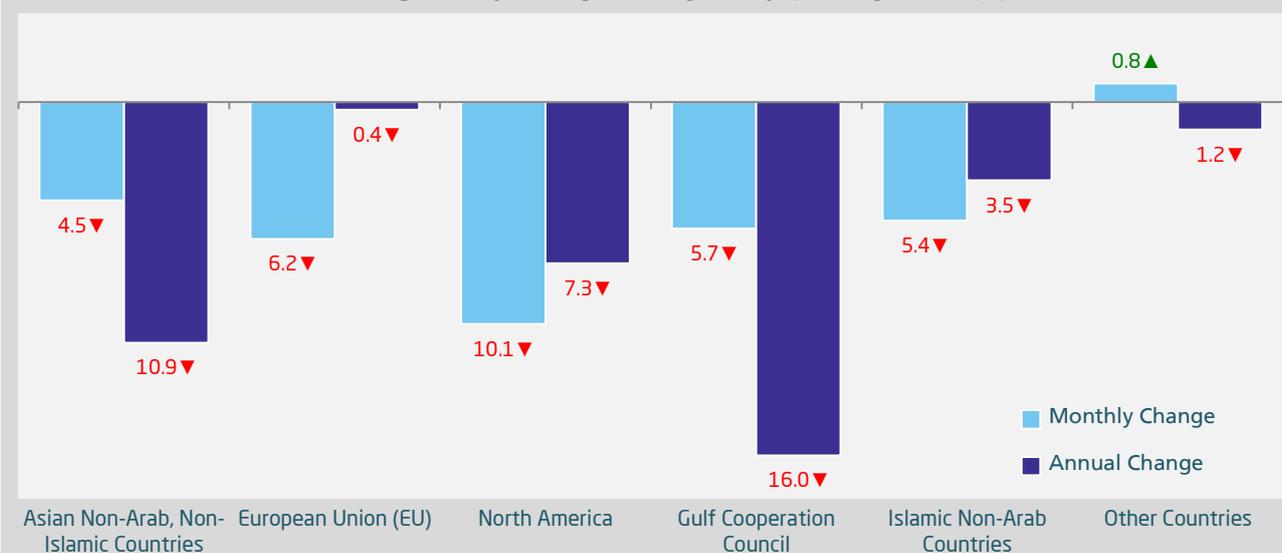
2.4. Imports by Country Group

Imports by Country Group (Million Riyals)				
Groups of Countries	January 2015	January 2016		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
Asian Non-Arab, Non-Islamic Countries	18578	16550	2028 ▼	10.9 ▼
European Union (EU)	12853	12808	46 ▼	0.4 ▼
North America	8218	7617	602 ▼	7.3 ▼
Gulf Cooperation Council	3948	3316	633 ▼	16.0 ▼
Islamic Non-Arab Countries	2279	2198	81 ▼	3.5 ▼
Other Countries	5962	5888	74 ▼	1.2 ▼
Total	51839	48375	3463 ▼	6.7 ▼

Imports by Country Group (Share in total imports, %)



Change in Imports by Country Group, January 2016 (%)

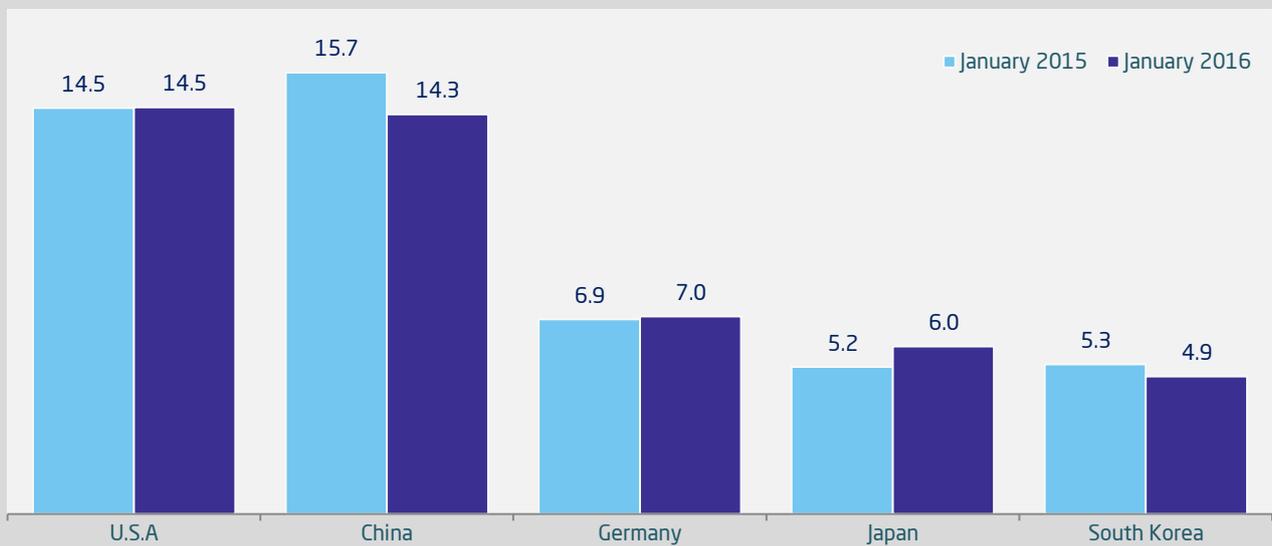




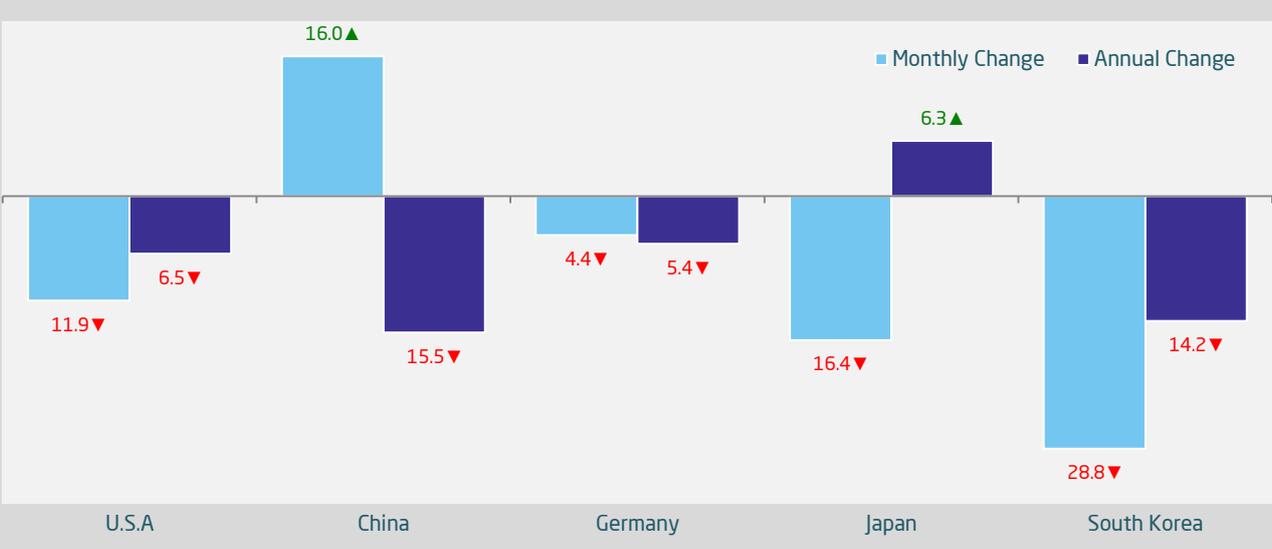
2.5. Top 5 Partner Countries for Imports

Top 5 Partner Countries for Imports (Million Riyals)				
Countries	January 2015	January 2016		
		Value	Change from previous year	Percentage Change (%)
U.S.A	7504	7014	490▼	6.5▼
China	8162	6895	1267▼	15.5▼
Germany	3599	3404	195▼	5.4▼
Japan	2719	2890	172▲	6.3▲
South Korea	2763	2371	393▼	14.2▼
Total	24746	22574	2173▼	8.8▼
Share of the top 5 countries in total imports (%)	47.74	46.66		

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



Change in Imports from Top 5 Countries, January 2016 (%)

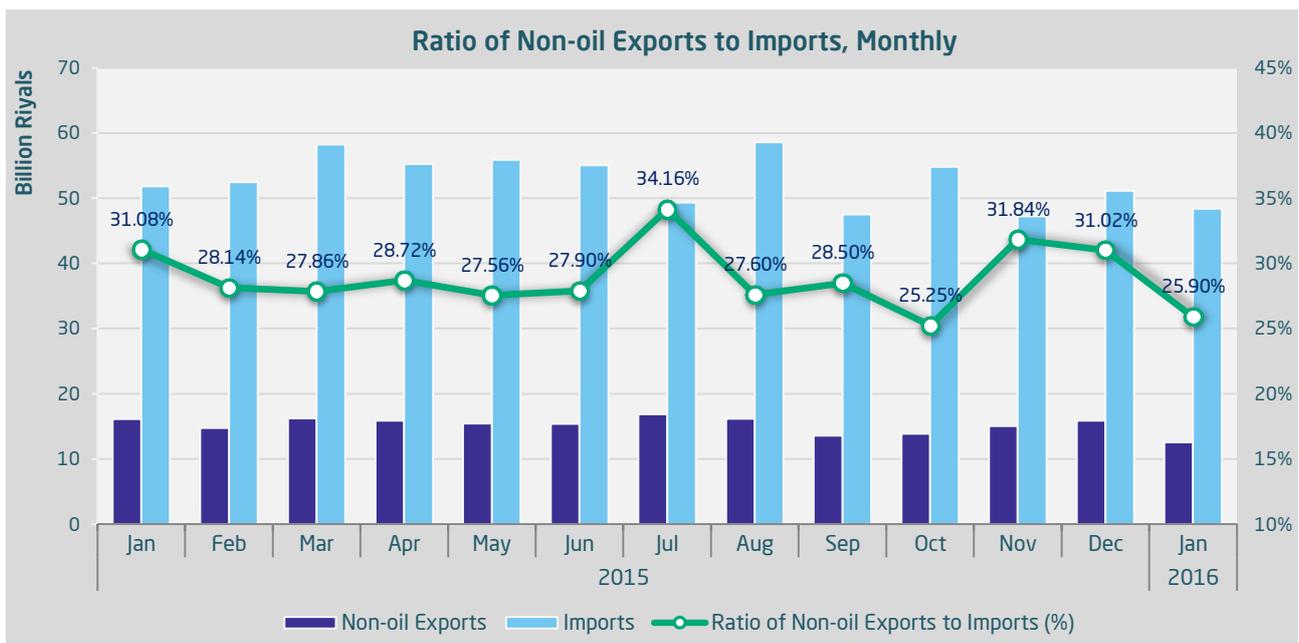




3. Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Monthly

In January 2016, non-oil exports amounted to 12528 million riyals and accounted for 25.9% of the imports. In the same period of the previous year, non-oil exports amounted to 16111 million riyals and accounted for 31.08% of the imports.

Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Monthly				
Year	Month	Non-oil Merchandise Exports	Merchandise Imports	Non-Oil Exports to Imports
		Million Riyals		(%)
2015	January	16111	51839	31.08
	February	14762	52455	28.14
	March	16227	58241	27.86
	April	15871	55266	28.72
	May	15409	55905	27.56
	June	15363	55058	27.90
	July	16854	49334	34.16
	August	16175	58604	27.60
	September	13547	47534	28.50
	October	13838	54809	25.25
	November	15032	47210	31.84
	December	15858	51125	31.02
2016	January	12528	48375	25.90

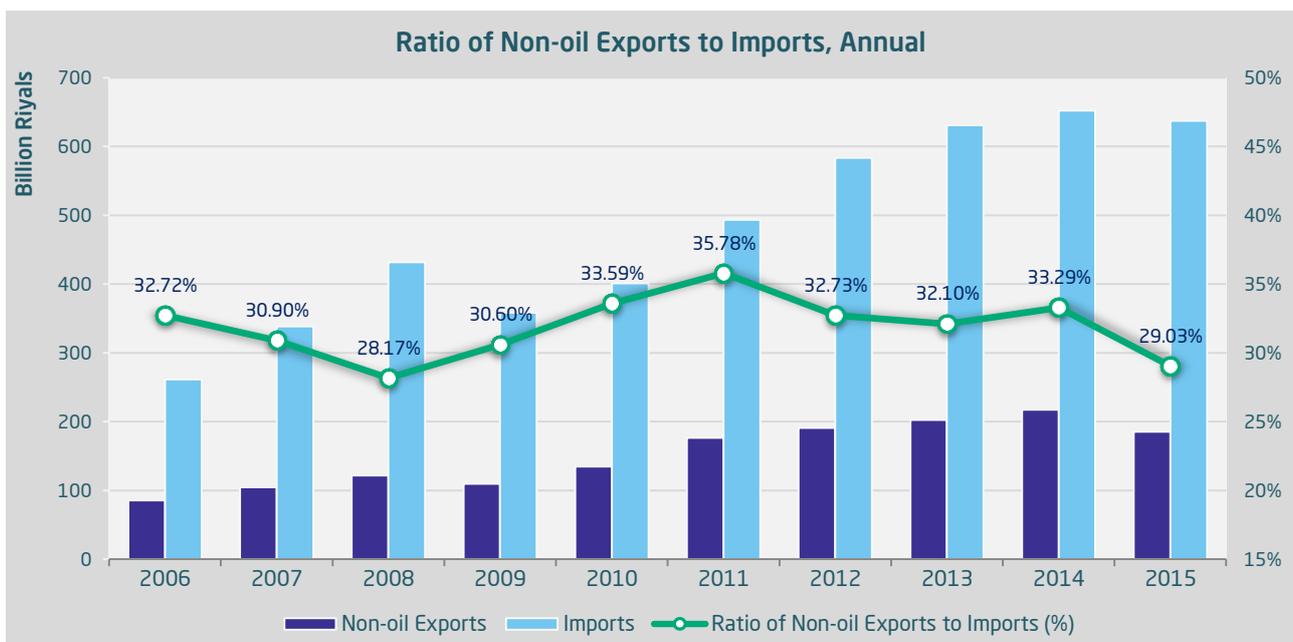




4. Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Annual

In 2015, non-oil exports amounted to 185 billion riyals and accounted for 29.0% of the imports. The previous year, non-oil exports amounted to 217 billion riyals and accounted for 33.3% of the imports.

Ratio of Non-oil Exports to Imports, Annual			
Year	Non-oil Exports	Imports	Non-Oil Exports to Imports
	Million Riyals		(%)
2006	85529	261402	32.72
2007	104468	338088	30.90
2008	121622	431753	28.17
2009	109619	358290	30.59
2010	134610	400736	33.59
2011	176568	493449	35.78
2012	190952	583473	32.73
2013	202443	630582	32.10
2014	217030	651876	33.29
2015	185047	637380	29.03





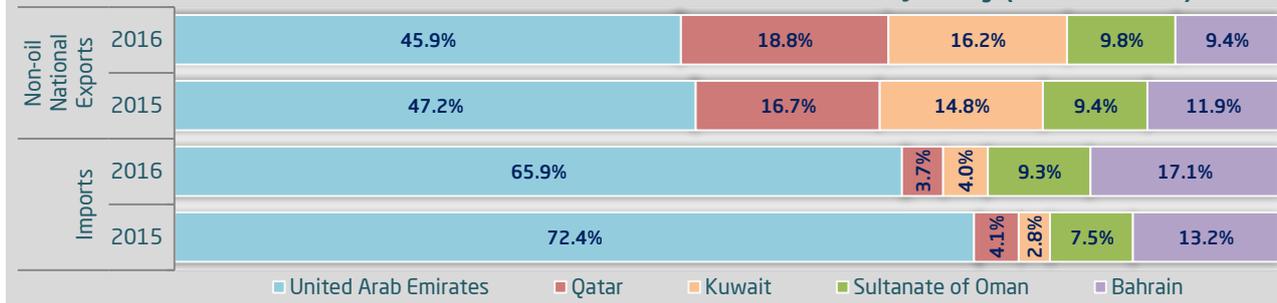
5. Trade between Saudi Arabia and GCC Countries

In January 2016, non-oil exports of Saudi Arabia of national origin to GCC countries reached 2351 million riyals as compared to 2689 million riyals in the same period of the previous year, with a decrease of 338 million riyals corresponding to 12.6%. Saudi Arabia's imports of goods originated from GCC countries amounted to 3316 million riyals in January 2016 as compared to 3948 million riyals in the same period of the previous year, with a decrease of 632 million riyals corresponding to 16.0%.

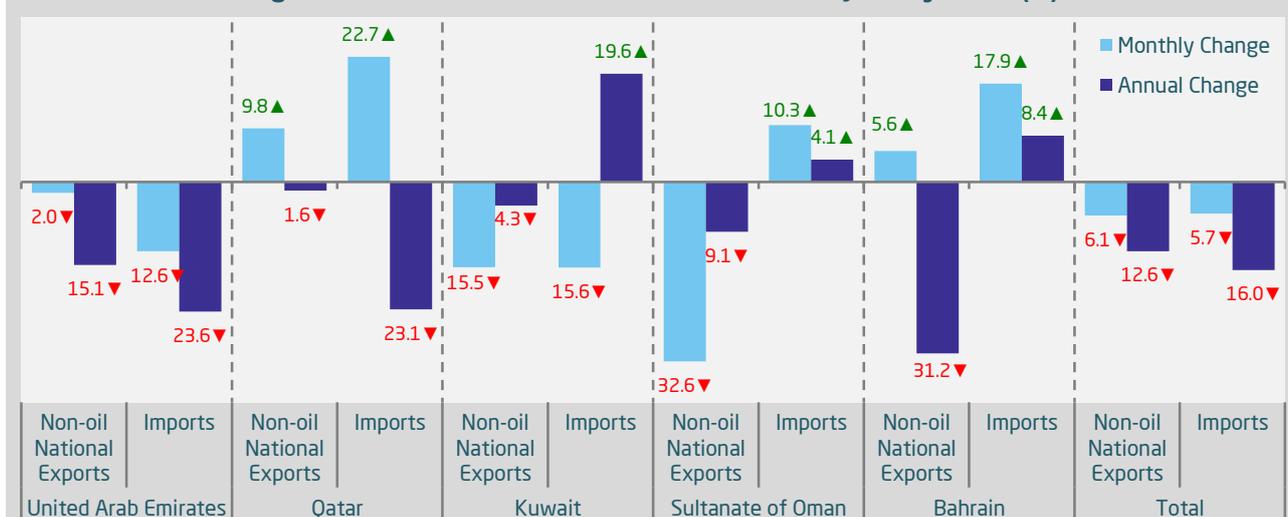
Saudi Arabia's Trade with GCC Countries in January (Million Riyals)

	Non-oil Merchandise Exports						Merchandise Imports		Non-oil Trade Balance	
	National Exports		Re-Exports		Total		2015	2016	2015	2016
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016				
United Arab Emirates	1269	1078	1109	740	2378	1818	2857	2184	-479	-366
Qatar	448	441	168	66	616	507	160	123	456	384
Kuwait	397	380	58	124	455	504	112	134	343	370
Sultanate of Oman	254	231	10	37	264	268	296	308	-32	-40
Bahrain	321	221	228	369	549	590	523	567	26	23
Total	2689	2351	1573	1336	4262	3687	3948	3316	314	371

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



Change in Saudi Arabia's Trade with GCC Countries, January 2016 (%)





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