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## Direction of Trade: Top 10 Partner Countries for Exports and Imports

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2017  
August



## Top 10 Partner Countries for Exports

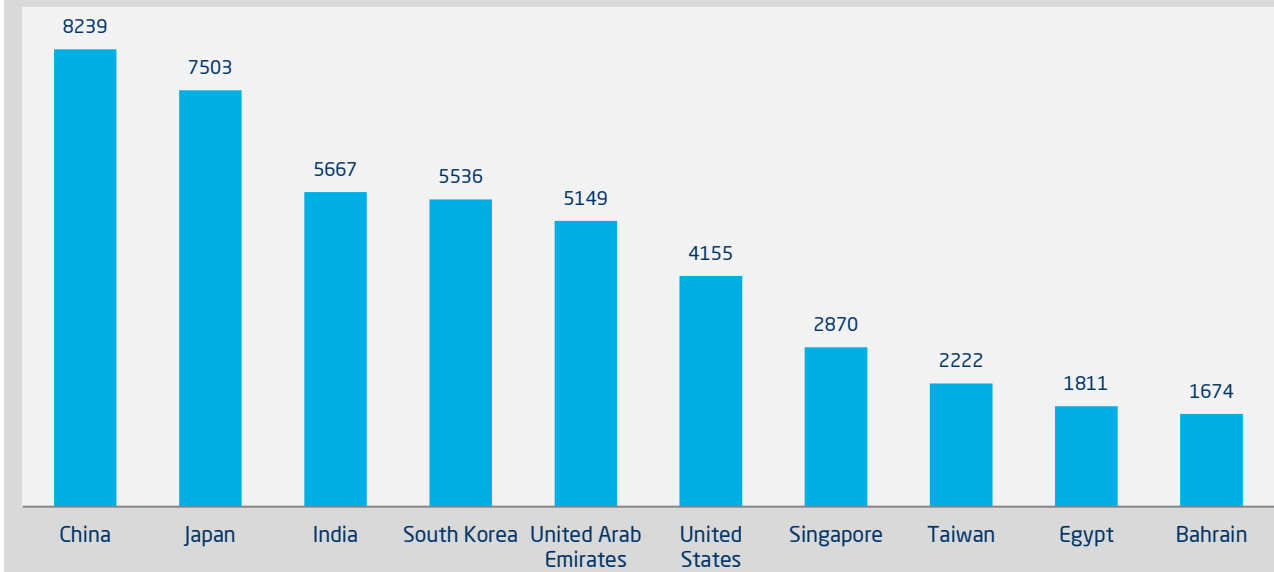
In August 2017, exports to **China** amounted to 8239 million riyals, rendering the country the main destination for exports of Saudi Arabia. **Japan and South Korea** followed next with 7503 million riyals and 5667 million riyals, respectively. **India, South Korea, United Arab Emirates, United States, Singapore, Taiwan, Egypt, Bahrain** were the other countries that ranked in the top 10 destinations. Exports of Saudi Arabia to those 10 countries amounted to 44827 million riyals, accounting for 70.2% of the total exports.

Top 10 Destinations for Exports of Saudi Arabia, August 2017 (Million Riyals)

Countries	2016						2017						
	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
China	7591	7382	7629	7540	8683	9682	7558	8176	7457	7182	6835	7329	8239
Japan	5966	5956	7768	6946	8304	9801	8425	8327	7614	7166	7182	7561	7503
India	5565	4952	6062	6051	5618	6740	5754	6410	6773	5619	5188	5422	5667
South Korea	5421	5405	5186	5315	5321	6775	6379	5726	5638	5903	5254	5841	5536
United Arab Emirates	4187	3733	4771	3915	4381	3490	3669	4871	3780	4810	4166	4673	5149
United States	5514	5206	6487	5326	8395	6570	7584	6945	7551	6074	5190	4933	4155
Singapore	2099	2634	3662	3422	2876	3123	2917	2382	2929	1909	1870	2230	2870
Taiwan	1623	1691	1687	1235	2254	1743	1852	1421	1921	1332	1946	1516	2222
Egypt	1404	921	901	845	801	866	910	1793	1933	1722	1612	1748	1811
Bahrain	1554	1543	1847	1377	1541	1801	1638	2073	1720	1914	1633	1550	1674
<b>Total</b>	<b>40923</b>	<b>39424</b>	<b>46000</b>	<b>41971</b>	<b>48173</b>	<b>50590</b>	<b>46687</b>	<b>48125</b>	<b>47317</b>	<b>43632</b>	<b>40876</b>	<b>42804</b>	<b>44827</b>
% of Total Exports	67.7	68.6	68.3	68.3	70.8	72.8	70.5	67.8	71.0	68.8	69.7	67.0	70.2

Source: GaStat

Top 10 Destinations for Exports, August 2017  
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## Top 10 Partner Countries for Imports

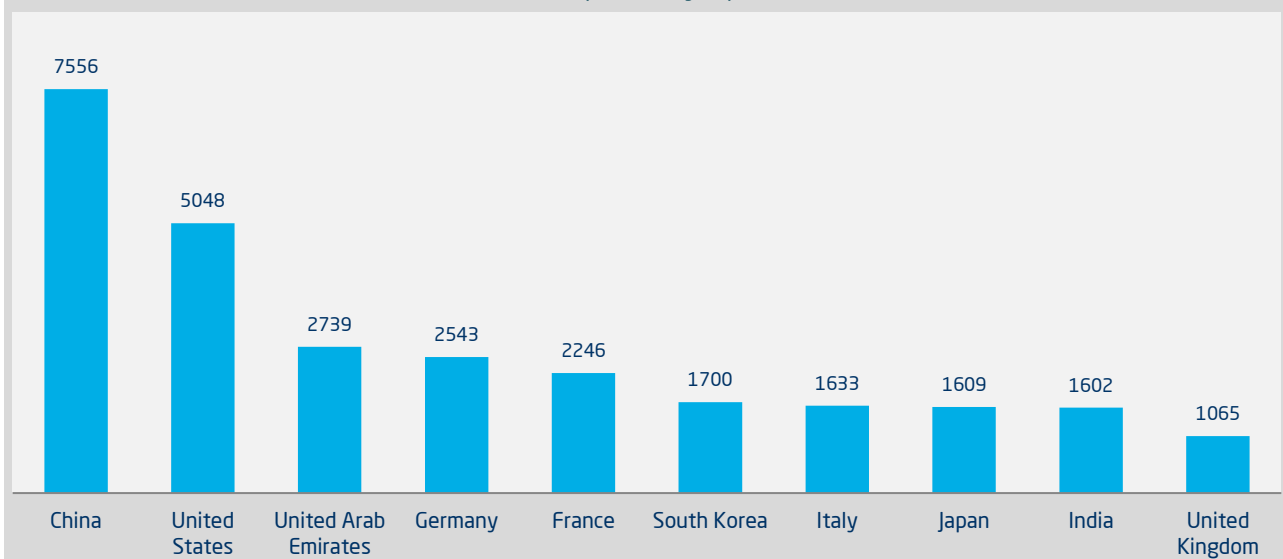
Imports from **China** amounted to 6042 million riyals in August 2017, rendering the country the main origin of imports of Saudi Arabia. The **United States** and the **United Arab Emirates** followed next with 5469 million riyals and 2620 million riyals, respectively. **South Korea, Germany, India, Japan, Italy, France, United Kingdom** were the other countries that ranked in the top 10 countries for imports. Imports of Saudi Arabia from those 10 countries amounted to 24325 million riyals, accounting for 56.3% of the total imports.

Top 10 Countries for Imports of Saudi Arabia, August 2017 (Million Riyals)

Countries	2016							2017					
	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
China	6946	4747	6121	5891	5194	6538	5571	4877	6675	7857	8562	7556	<b>6042</b>
United States	6246	6075	6087	8610	7486	6466	6723	5871	5987	5784	5236	5048	<b>5469</b>
United Arab Emirates	2788	2175	2293	2593	2255	2998	2358	2569	2700	3153	2314	2739	<b>2620</b>
South Korea	1914	1669	1549	2061	1699	1841	1299	1566	1423	1834	1692	1700	<b>1903</b>
Germany	2784	1932	2815	2656	2372	2871	2751	2662	2309	2539	2057	2543	<b>1897</b>
India	1747	1311	1687	1302	1533	1604	1644	2009	2062	1832	1385	1602	<b>1690</b>
Japan	2151	1720	2106	1810	1895	2040	1389	1918	1868	1397	1215	1609	<b>1688</b>
Italy	1659	904	1243	1402	1264	1480	1552	1274	1339	1725	1326	1633	<b>1122</b>
France	1534	880	1625	1135	2059	2229	1328	1582	1979	2070	897	2246	<b>1110</b>
United Kingdom	1040	681	1125	902	962	1183	855	1340	970	1039	617	1065	<b>784</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>28809</b>	<b>22093</b>	<b>26650</b>	<b>28360</b>	<b>26718</b>	<b>29250</b>	<b>25469</b>	<b>25666</b>	<b>27312</b>	<b>29229</b>	<b>25302</b>	<b>27741</b>	<b>24325</b>
% of Total Imports	63.9	63.2	62.2	67.0	66.1	65.0	65.0	62.1	62.4	62.6	63.9	64.2	<b>56.3</b>

Source: GaStat

Top 10 Countries for Imports, August 2017  
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## Metadata

### *Direction of Trade: Top 10 Partner Countries for Exports and Imports*

**Definition:** This indicator shows the most important 10 countries for merchandise exports and imports of Saudi Arabia.

**Selection of Countries:** The top 10 lists of countries are prepared separately for exports and imports. The 10 countries for exports (imports) are those with the highest values of exports (imports), determined by ranking all countries in descending order based on their export (import) values for the period under consideration.

### **Concepts and definitions:**

**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.

**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.

**Re-exports:** Refers to the sale of previously imported goods abroad without any clear modifications on them.

**Imports:** 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.

**Data Frequency:** Monthly





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