

Foreign Trade Indices as per the Harmonized System 2008

Emirate of Dubai

Foreign Trade Indices is an indicator that reflects the development of the foreign trade movement (Imports, Exports and Re-Exports) throughout the land, sea and air ports of the emirate of Dubai, whether in terms of value, quantity or price in order to support the decision-maker and guide the foreign trade policy of the Emirate in particular and the UAE in general.

The detailed data on foreign trade Imports, Exports and Re-Exports issued by Statistics Department-Dubai World according to the value and quantity is used in facilitating the calculation and release of the foreign trade indices. The year 2003 has been adopted as the base year for comparison.

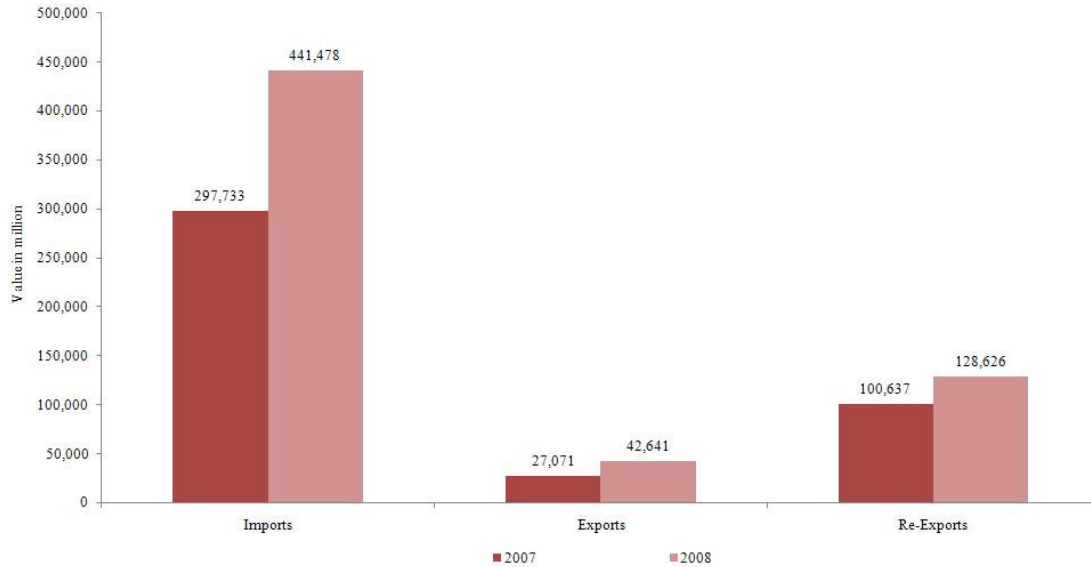
Table (1) shows the representation rate of Selected Items to calculate Foreign Trade Index for 2008

- Total Imports representation rate 93.3%
- Total Exports representation rate 41.2%
- Total Re-Exports representation rate 93.0%

Table (1): Representation Rate of Selected Items in Foreign Trade Indices

Title	Value in Million AED	
	2007	2008
Imports		
Total Value	297,733	441,478
Value of Selected Items	296,358	411,927
Representation Rate	99.5%	93.3%
Exports		
Total Value	27,071	42,641
Value of Selected Items	14,694	17,586
Representation Rate	54.3%	41.2%
Re-Exports		
Total Value	100,637	128,626
Value of Selected Items	100,124	119,639
Representation Rate	99.5%	93.0%

Chart (1): Total Value of Foreign Trade



Foreign Trade Index

The Imports index increased in 2008 by 38.99% to 378.9 as against 272.6 in 2007. The quantity index climbed by 33.74% in 2008 up to 299.02 as compared to 223.58 in 2007. In terms of the price, the index rose by 3.93% up to 126.71 in 2008 as against 121.92 in 2007.

On the other hand, the value of Exports index grew in 2008 by 19.69% to 269.68 against 225.32 in 2007, while quantity-wise in 2008 the index increased upto 215.17 by 17.66% as compared to 182.88 in 2007. In 2008 the price index went up to 125.33, from 123.21 in 2007, recorded a rise of 1.72%.

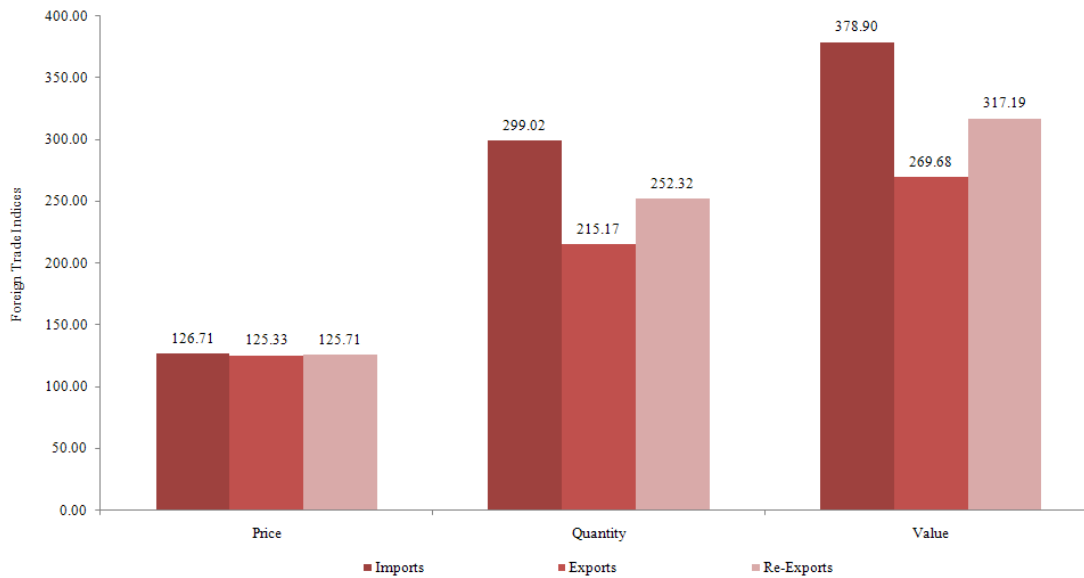
As regards the Re-Exports, index grew by 19.55% in 2008 with respect to the value, up to 317.19 against 265.33 in 2007. Quantity-wise it went up by 16.14% in 2008 to 252.32 from 217.26 in 2007. In 2008, the price index rose by 2.93% to 125.71 against 122.13 in 2007. Table (2) shows the foreign trade indices for 2007-2008.

Table (2): Foreign Trade Indices

2003 = 100

Title	2007	2008	Growth Rate (%)
General Index - Imports			
Price	121.92	126.71	3.93%
Quantity	223.58	299.02	33.74%
Value	272.60	378.90	38.99%
General Index - Exports			
Price	123.21	125.33	1.72%
Quantity	182.88	215.17	17.66%
Value	225.32	269.68	19.69%
General Index - Re-Exports			
Price	122.13	125.71	2.93%
Quantity	217.26	252.32	16.14%
Value	265.33	317.19	19.55%

Chart (2): Foreign Trade Indices



Imports

(Pearls, precious stones and metals) section have precedence on the rest of the sections according to the price index at growth rate of 0.02% and at a record of 139.91 in 2008 against 139.88 in 2007. Followed by (Animal and vegetable fats, oils and waxes) section at growth rate of 5.83% and at a record of 139.68 in 2008 against 131.99 in 2007. Then, (Base metals and articles of base metals) section at growth rate of 2.44% and at a record 136.84 in 2008 against 133.58 in 2007.

At quantity index, (Art work, collectors pieces and antiques) section have precedence on the rest of the sections at a growth rate of 72.06% and at a record of 1,080.92 in 2008 against 628.24 in 2007. Afterwards, (Base metals and articles of base metals) section at a growth rate of 81.28% and at a record of 563.56 in 2008 against 310.87 in 2007. Then, (Mineral products) section at a growth rate of 64.86% and at a record of 477.35 in 2008 against 289.55 in 2007.

As for the value index level, (Art work, collectors pieces and antiques) section have precedence on the rest of sections at a growth rate of 69.55% and at a record of 1,445.57 in 2008 against 852.61 in 2007. Afterwards, (Base metals and articles of base metals) section at a growth rate of 85.70% and at a record of 771.15 in 2008 against 415.26 in 2007. Then, (Mineral products) section at a growth rate of 58.48% and at a record of 619.26 in 2008 against 390.74 in 2007. The table (3) shows Imports Index by sections.

Table (3): Imports Foreign Trade Indices by Sections

2003 = 100

Title	Price Index		Quantity Index		Value Index	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
01- Live Animals, animals products	125.43	134.50	162.61	222.19	203.96	298.85
02- Vegetable products	122.09	131.41	213.12	308.94	260.19	405.97
03- Animal and vegetable fats, oils and waxes	131.99	139.68	152.89	347.03	201.80	484.74
04- Prepared Foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco	112.58	118.88	151.09	150.12	170.09	178.46
05- Mineral products	134.95	129.73	289.55	477.35	390.74	619.26
06- Products of chemical and allied industries	124.89	127.67	215.73	254.40	269.43	324.80
07- Plastics, rubber and articles thereof	127.63	129.21	196.49	257.38	250.78	332.58
08- Raw hides, skins, leather and articles	133.08	132.93	194.65	252.54	259.04	335.71
09- Wood and articles, cork and plating materials	126.98	130.56	238.06	153.17	302.28	199.99
10- Pulp of wood, paper products and waste paper	119.40	126.83	189.68	225.97	226.49	286.60
11- Textiles and textile articles	109.34	114.64	143.15	152.93	156.52	175.33
12- Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	106.68	111.62	187.69	209.23	200.23	233.56
13- Articles of stone, cement, asbestos, ceramics and glass	112.30	116.86	200.52	235.78	225.19	275.52
14- Pearls, precious stones and metals	139.88	139.91	250.33	393.60	350.15	550.68
15- Base metals and articles of base metals	133.58	136.84	310.87	563.56	415.26	771.15
16- Machinery, sound recorders, TV and electrical equipment	115.70	121.05	234.65	238.36	271.50	288.54
17- Vehicles, aircraft and vessels	104.16	108.01	239.89	362.80	249.86	391.87
18- Optical, medical equipments and watches	113.37	124.57	186.84	195.43	211.82	243.44
19- Arms, ammunition, parts and accessories	87.16	105.58	118.26	90.29	103.07	95.33
20- Miscellaneous manufactured articles not elsewhere classified	120.96	127.47	186.67	210.70	225.80	268.59
21- Art work, collectors pieces and antiques	135.71	133.73	628.24	1,080.92	852.61	1,445.57
Total	121.92	126.71	223.58	299.02	272.60	378.90

Exports

According to Exports price index, the highest three section record the same index at 140.00 for 2007-2008. The sections are (Pearls, precious stones and metals), (Optical, medical equipments and watches) and (Art work, collectors pieces and antiques).

As the quantity index level, (Optical, medical equipments and watches) section have precedence on the rest of sections at a growth rate of 108.36% and at a record of 5,690.15 in 2008 against 2,730.89 in 2007. Afterwards, (Art work, collectors pieces and antiques) section at a growth rate of 50.94% and at a record of 1,122.11 in 2008 against 743.39 in 2007. Then, (Footwear, headgear and umbrellas) section at a growth rate of 8.58% and at a record of 838.33 in 2008 against 772.10 in 2007.

At value index level, (Optical, medical equipments and watches) section have precedence on the rest of the sections at a growth rate of 108.36% and at a record of 7,966.21 in 2008 against 3,823.24 in 2007. Afterwards, (Art work, collectors pieces and antiques) section at a growth rate of 50.95% and at a record of 1,570.96 in 2008 against 1,040.74 in 2007. Then, (Pearls, precious stones and metals) section at a growth rate of 27.64% and at a record of 1,171.15 in 2008 against 917.52 in 2007. The table (4) shows the Exports index by sections.

Table (4): Exports Foreign Trade Indices by Sections

2003 = 100

Title	Price Index		Quantity Index		Value Index	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
01- Live Animals, animals products	104.68	111.04	180.27	186.82	188.70	207.45
02- Vegetable products	133.70	134.28	110.26	152.40	147.42	204.64
03- Animal and vegetable fats, oils and waxes	124.70	139.35	193.44	288.05	241.22	401.39
04- Prepared Foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco	122.64	129.16	255.62	267.95	313.48	346.08
05- Mineral products	135.31	138.69	309.08	433.38	418.23	601.08
06- Products of chemical and allied industries	109.27	113.40	230.21	274.97	251.56	311.81
07- Plastics, rubber and articles thereof	127.03	124.89	262.82	546.79	333.87	682.90
08- Raw hides, skins, leather and articles	93.50	102.33	175.42	90.33	164.02	92.43
09- Wood and articles, cork and plating materials	94.38	100.15	221.26	417.23	208.82	417.84
10- Pulp of wood, paper products and waste paper	126.36	127.63	350.46	447.80	442.84	571.53
11- Textiles and textile articles	114.40	112.56	77.99	68.87	89.23	77.53
12- Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	88.65	90.04	772.10	838.33	684.48	754.83
13- Articles of stone, cement, asbestos, ceramics and glass	109.38	111.17	264.92	251.94	289.78	280.09
14- Pearls, precious stones and metals	140.00	140.00	655.37	836.54	917.52	1,171.15
15- Base metals and articles of base metals	130.48	127.00	114.99	119.69	150.04	152.00
16- Machinery, sound recorders, TV and electrical equipment	116.44	123.48	275.92	271.37	321.27	335.10
17- Vehicles, aircraft and vessels	130.92	134.33	576.34	744.86	754.53	1,000.60
18- Optical, medical equipments and watches	140.00	140.00	2,730.89	5,690.15	3,823.24	7,966.21
19- Arms, ammunition, parts and accessories	-	-	-	-	-	-
20- Miscellaneous manufactured articles not elsewhere classified	95.10	95.65	456.59	526.34	434.23	503.47
21- Art work, collectors pieces and antiques	140.00	140.00	743.39	1,122.11	1,040.74	1,570.96
Total	123.21	125.33	182.88	215.17	225.32	269.68

Re-Exports

The (Pearls, precious stones and metals) section have precedence on the rest of sections according to the price index at growth rate of 4.76% and at a record of 139.41 in 2008 against 133.08 in 2007. Followed by (Animal and vegetable fats, oils and waxes) section at growth rate of 23.66% and at a record of 139.03 in 2008 against 112.43 in 2007. Then, (Vegetable products) section at growth rate of 6.21% and at a record 131.96 in 2008 against 124.25 in 2007.

At quantity index level, (Art work, collectors pieces and antiques) section have precedence on the rest of sections at a growth rate of 95.23% and at a record of 3,326.39 in 2008 against 1,703.83 in 2007. Afterwards, (Pearls, precious stones and metals) section at a growth rate of 47.97% and at a record of 530.13 in 2008 against 358.28 in 2007. Then, (Vehicles, aircraft and vessels) section at a growth rate of 46.63% and at a record of 368.01 in 2008 against 250.98 in 2007.

As for value index level, (Art work, collectors pieces and antiques) section have precedence on the rest of sections at a growth rate of 71.01% and at a record of 3,972.97 in 2008 against 2,323.29 in 2007. Afterwards, (Pearls, precious stones and metals) section at a growth rate of 55.01% and at record of 739.07 in 2008 against 476.79 in 2007. Then, (Vehicles, aircraft and vessels) section at a growth rate of 38.55% and at a record of 423.74 in 2008 against 305.85 in 2007. The table (5) shows re-export index by sections.

Table (5): Re-Exports Foreign Trade Indices by Sections

2003 = 100

Title	Price Index		Quantity Index		Value Index	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
01- Live Animals, animals products	121.90	124.01	130.95	109.45	159.63	135.72
02- Vegetable products	124.25	131.96	154.05	233.58	191.42	308.23
03- Animal and vegetable fats, oils and waxes	112.43	139.03	234.22	280.50	263.32	389.96
04- Prepared Foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco	116.97	117.89	114.65	109.34	134.11	128.89
05- Mineral products	129.50	130.23	163.54	155.20	211.78	202.11
06- Products of chemical and allied industries	117.83	118.63	138.38	153.48	163.05	182.06
07- Plastics, rubber and articles thereof	119.91	121.66	203.39	222.94	243.89	271.23
08- Raw hides, skins, leather and articles	115.09	115.08	150.37	148.60	173.06	171.01
09- Wood and articles, cork and plating materials	121.93	111.13	196.62	182.54	239.74	202.85
10- Pulp of wood, paper products and waste paper	120.45	115.09	159.29	190.76	191.86	219.54
11- Textiles and textile articles	113.27	107.39	130.26	145.35	147.55	156.09
12- Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	97.87	86.39	195.74	180.23	191.57	155.70
13- Articles of stone, cement, asbestos, ceramics and glass	99.95	119.16	147.61	98.08	147.54	116.87
14- Pearls, precious stones and metals	133.08	139.41	358.28	530.13	476.79	739.07
15- Base metals and articles of base metals	114.69	112.77	186.68	208.84	214.11	235.51
16- Machinery, sound recorders, TV and electrical equipment	117.15	116.99	205.80	141.58	241.10	165.63
17- Vehicles, aircraft and vessels	121.86	115.14	250.98	368.01	305.85	423.74
18- Optical, medical equipments and watches	116.31	124.37	170.20	147.97	197.96	184.03
19- Arms, ammunition, parts and accessories	110.28	105.14	136.29	266.85	150.30	280.57
20- Miscellaneous manufactured articles not elsewhere classified	106.05	100.43	161.66	154.62	171.43	155.28
21- Art work, collectors pieces and antiques	136.36	119.44	1,703.83	3,326.39	2,323.29	3,972.97
Total	122.13	125.71	217.26	252.32	265.33	317.19

The foreign trade statistics in the Emirate of Dubai applies the same special trade system of other emirates in UAE, which includes only Importing and Exporting merchandise after customs procedures and released. The merchandise which released and entered the country from free zones considered as (imports from free zones). Trade data based on customs declaration after being reviewed by customs authority. Moreover, foreign trade does not include any data of petroleum trade and its derivatives.