

BILATERAL TRADE BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND AFGHANISTAN DURING 2013-2016

Bilateral Trade data reported by the Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP)

It can be observed from the below table & graphs that the volume of export from Pakistan to Afghanistan is about 50% of the total bilateral trade between the two neighboring countries and the same has been slightly increased in the fiscal year 2014-15 in comparison to the volume of exports in the year 2013-14. Whereas imports from Afghanistan have been slightly decreased over the same period of time.

The closure of 2015-16 is awaited but semi-annual closing shows a positive balance of exports to Pakistan.

Import / Export of Pakistan From Afghanistan (VALUE IN '000. \$)				
FISCAL YEAR	EXPORT	IMPORT	BALANCE	Source of Data
JULY-JUNE 2013-2014	1,873,257	359,184	1,514,072	
JULY-JUNE 2014-2015	1,961,429	322,614	1,638,814	www.tdap.gov.pk
JULY-FEBRUARY 2015-2016	962,030	N/A	N/A	

Table (1)

Bilateral Trade data reported by the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI)

Exports to Afghanistan from Pakistan have been slightly decreased while the imports have increased in the calendar year 2014 as compared with 2013.

Import / Export of Pakistan from Afghanistan (VALUE IN MILLION OF \$)				
CALENDAR YEAR	EXPORT	IMPORT	BALANCE	Source of Data
2013	1998.11	307.60	1690.51	www.fossi.org.nk
2014	1879.14	392.17	1486.97	www.fpcci.org.pk

Table (2)

Bilateral Trade data reported by the Central Statistics Organization, Afghanistan (CSO)

The below statistics reveals that there is a slight decrease in the fiscal year 2014-15 and then a rise in the fiscal year 2015-16 in Afghani exports to Pakistan. However the imports were decreased by around 25% in 2014-15 as compared to the fiscal year 2013-14.

It is promising to note though that semi-annual closing of 2015-16 shows promising figures for both Pakistan and Afghanistan, however trade balance is positively in favor of Pakistan.



Import / Export of Afghanistan From Pakistan VALUE IN \$				
FISCAL YEAR	EXPORT	IMPORT	BALANCE	Source of Data
JULY-JUNE 2013-2014	198,351,743	1,742,288,956	(1,527,640,550)	
JULY-JUNE 2014-2015	188,424,057	1,327,931,045	(1,327,931,045)	www.cso.gov.af/en
JULY-FEBRUARY 2015-2016	226,568,660	1,346,407,628	(1,119,838,968.00)	

Table (3)

A disclaimer: The trade date is presented as acquired from the sources.

Major Exports & Imports of Pakistan to / from Afghanistan:

- The main items of exports to Afghanistan are rice, wheat, petroleum products, animal and vegetable fats and oil, vegetables, dairy products, construction and allied material, articles of plastics, fruits, paper & paperboard, toiletries, cork and wood manufacturers, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, PVC pipes, electricity cables, electrical machines.
- The main items of imports from Afghanistan include vegetables, fruits, raw cotton, carpets and rugs, hides, skins etc.
- Afghanistan is also an untapped market for services, whereby surge in demand for audit firms, IT solutions providers, consultants has been seen lately.



PAK-AFGHAN TRANSIT TRADE DURING 2009-2015

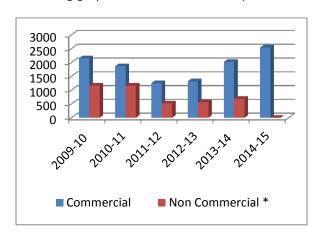
Afghan transit trade through Pakistan has increased from US \$ 1352 million in 2010-11 to US \$ 2717 million in 2013-14. Despite of decline in non-commercial transit trade, the curve of commercial transit trade seemed positive. The details of transit trade during the last few years are given in the table below:-

(Value in US\$ Million)

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Period	Commercial	Non Commercial *	Total
FY 2009-10	2,157	1,165	3,322
FY 2010-11	1,871	11,65	3036
FY 2011-12	1,256.33	525	1,781.3
FY 2012-13	1,319.9	564.5	1884.4
FY 2013-14	2028.6	688.5	2717.1
FY 2014-15	2550		

Table (4)

Following graphs show the relationships between Commercial and Noncommercial figures:



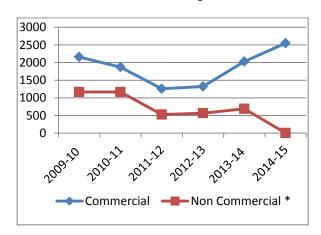


Fig (1) Fig (2)



Further information related to the no. of containers per year in transit trade is mentioned below:

Period	Commercial Cargo (No of Containers)
2009-10	75288
2010-11	56203
2011-12	27924
2012-13	27401
2013-14	36274
2014-15	49507



Table (5) Fig (3)