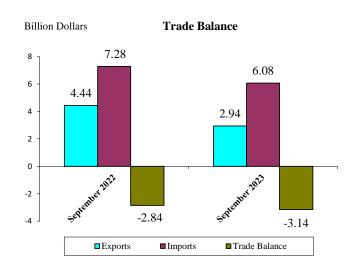


## **PRESS RELEASE**

## 10.3% Increase in the value of trade balance deficit in September 2023

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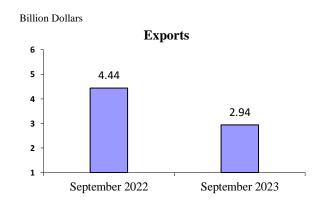
The deficit value of trade Balance reached 3.14 billion dollars during September 2023, versus 2.84 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, an increase of 10.3%.



The most important indicator is as follows.

## • Exports:

Exports value decreased by 33.7% as it reached 2.94 billion dollars during September 2023, versus 4.44 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, due to a decreased value of some commodities such as:

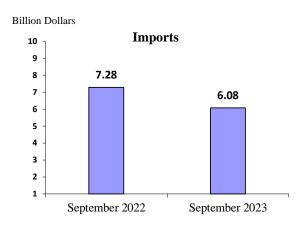


(Ready-made clothes by 11.1%, Petroleum products by 68.2%, Fertilizers by 65.9%, plastics in their primary forms by 36.5%).

While exports value of some commodities increased during September 2023, versus the same month of previous year such as (Crude Oil by 81.3%, Miscellaneous Edible Preparations by 32.4%, Rods, Bars, Angles, Wires of Iron by 157.2%, Carpets and Kelem by 42.0%).

## **Imports:**

Imports value decreased by 16.5% as it reached 6.08 billion dollars during September 2023, versus 7.28 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, due to a decreased value of some commodities such as:



(Wheat by 8.8%, Medicaments and Pharmctcl. Goods by 0.1%, plastics in their primary forms by 39.1%, Chemicals, Organic & NonOrganic by 38.0%).

Imports of some commodities increased in September 2023, versus the same month of previous year such as:

(Petroleum products by 14.9%, Primary Forms of Iron or Steel by 27.0%, liquefied natural gas by 27.2%, Motor Vehicles by 156.6%).