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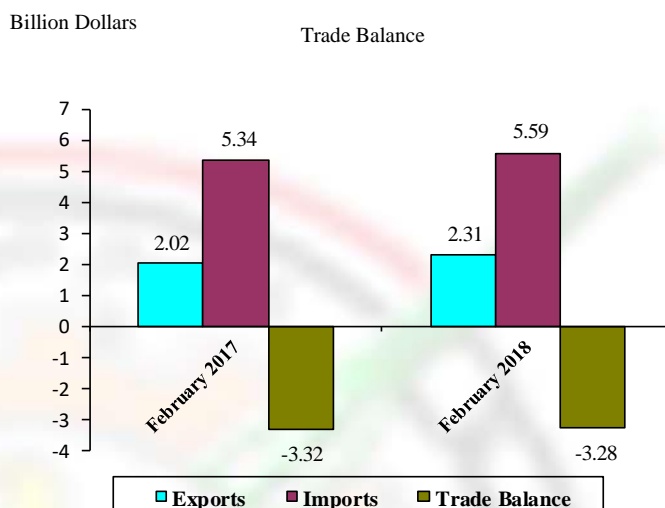
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14.0% Increase in Exports value in February 2018

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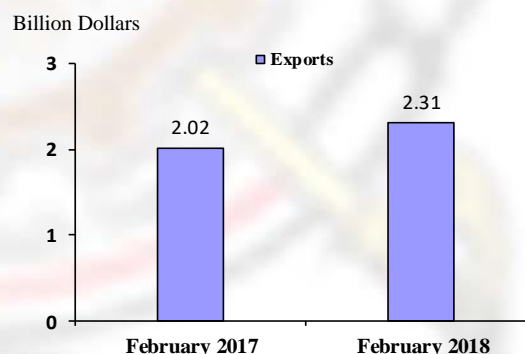
The deficit value of trade Balance reached to 3.28 billion dollars during February 2018, versus 3.32 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, with a decrease of 1.2 %.



The most important indicator is as follows.

• Exports:

Exports value increased with 14.0 % as it reached to 2.31 billion dollars during February 2018, versus 2.02 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, due to the increased value of some commodities such as

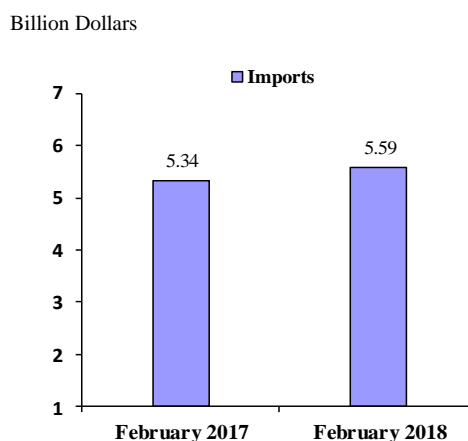


(Crude Oil by 8.7 %, Ready-made clothes by 17.7 %, Orange, fresh by 16.6 %, and plastics in primary forms "plastics" by 16.0 %,).

While the value of exports of some commodities decreased during February 2018, versus the same month of previous year such as (fertilisers by 35.8 %, Fruits, fresh by 22.4 %, Furniture by 1.8 %, Soap and Washing Prep by 34.7 %).

- **Imports:**

The value of imports Increased by 4.6 % as it reached to 5.59 billion dollars during February 2018, versus 5.34 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, due to the increased value of some commodities such as:



(Primary Forms of Iron or steel by 128.9 %, Crude oil by 141.3 %, plastics in primary forms "plastics" by 1.4 %, Motor Vehicles by 92.0 %).

Imports of some commodities decreased in February 2018, versus the same month of previous year such as (Petroleum products by 24.7 %, Pharmaceuticals and pharmaceutical preparations by 13.9 %, organic and inorganic chemicals by 14.6 %, Wheat by 17.4 %).