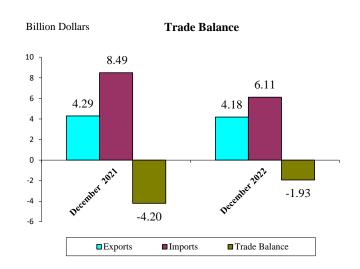


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## 54.0% a decrease in trade Balance December 2022

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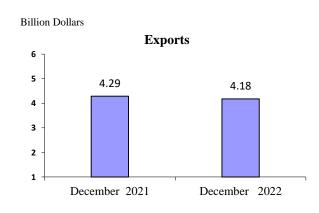
The deficit value of trade Balance reached 1.93 billion dollars during December 2022, versus 4.20 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, a decrease of 54.0 %.



The most important indicator is as follows.

## • Exports:

Exports value decreased by 2.7% as it reached 4.18 billion dollars during December 2022, versus 4.29 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, due to a decreased value of some commodities such as:

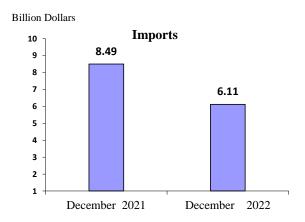


(ready-made clothes by 4.8%, petroleum products by 41.2%, crude oil by 45.1%, plastics in their primary forms by 31.4%).

While exports value of some commodities increased during December 2022, versus the same month of previous year such as (Natural and liquefied gas by 47.3%, fresh fruits by 25.7%, fertilizers by 83.3%, pasta and various food preparations by 22.9%).

## **Imports:**

Imports value decreased by 28.0 % as it reached 6.11 billion dollars during December 2022, versus 8.49 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, due to a decreased value of some commodities such as:



(Petroleum products by 7.2%, medicines and pharmaceuticals by 16.2%, plastics in their primary forms by 48.8%, wheat by 28.4%).

Imports of some commodities increased in December 2022, versus the same month of previous year such as :

(natural gas by 82.5%, wood and articles thereof by 8.5%, Pipes-tubes and fittings thereof of iron or steel by 16.2%, Seeds and seeds for sowing by 9.3%).