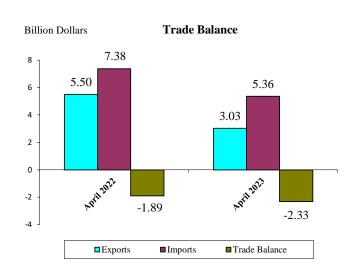


## **PRESS RELEASE**

## 23.8% an Increase in trade Balance April 2023

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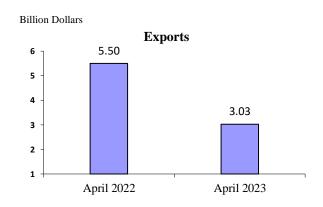
The deficit value of trade Balance reached 2.33 billion dollars during April 2023, versus 1.89 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, an Increase of 23.8 %.



The most important indicator is as follows.

## • Exports:

Exports value decreased by 44.9% as it reached 3.03 billion dollars during April 2023, versus 5.50 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, due to a decreased value of some commodities such as:

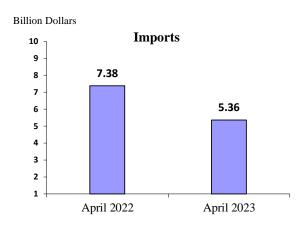


(Natural and liquefied gas by 75.6%, Fruits, fresh by 58.8%, Crude oil by 48.2%, Ready – made clothes by 34.1%).

While exports value of some commodities increased during April 2023, versus the same month of previous year such as (Rods, Bars, Angles, Wires of Iron by 568.8%, pasta and various food preparations by 35.6%, Onion, fresh by 65.8.6%, Dairy Products by 1.4%).

## **Imports:**

Imports value decreased by 27.4% as it reached 5.36 billion dollars during April 2023, versus 7.38 billion dollars for the same month of previous year, due to a decreased value of some commodities such as:



(Wheat by 1.4%, , Chemicals, Organic & Non organic by 2.1%, plastics in their primary forms by 33.6%, Raw materials of iron or steel by 52.4%).

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

(Petroleum products by 13.8%, Corn by 61.3%, Natural gas by 16.6%, Iron ores and concentrates by 5.2%).