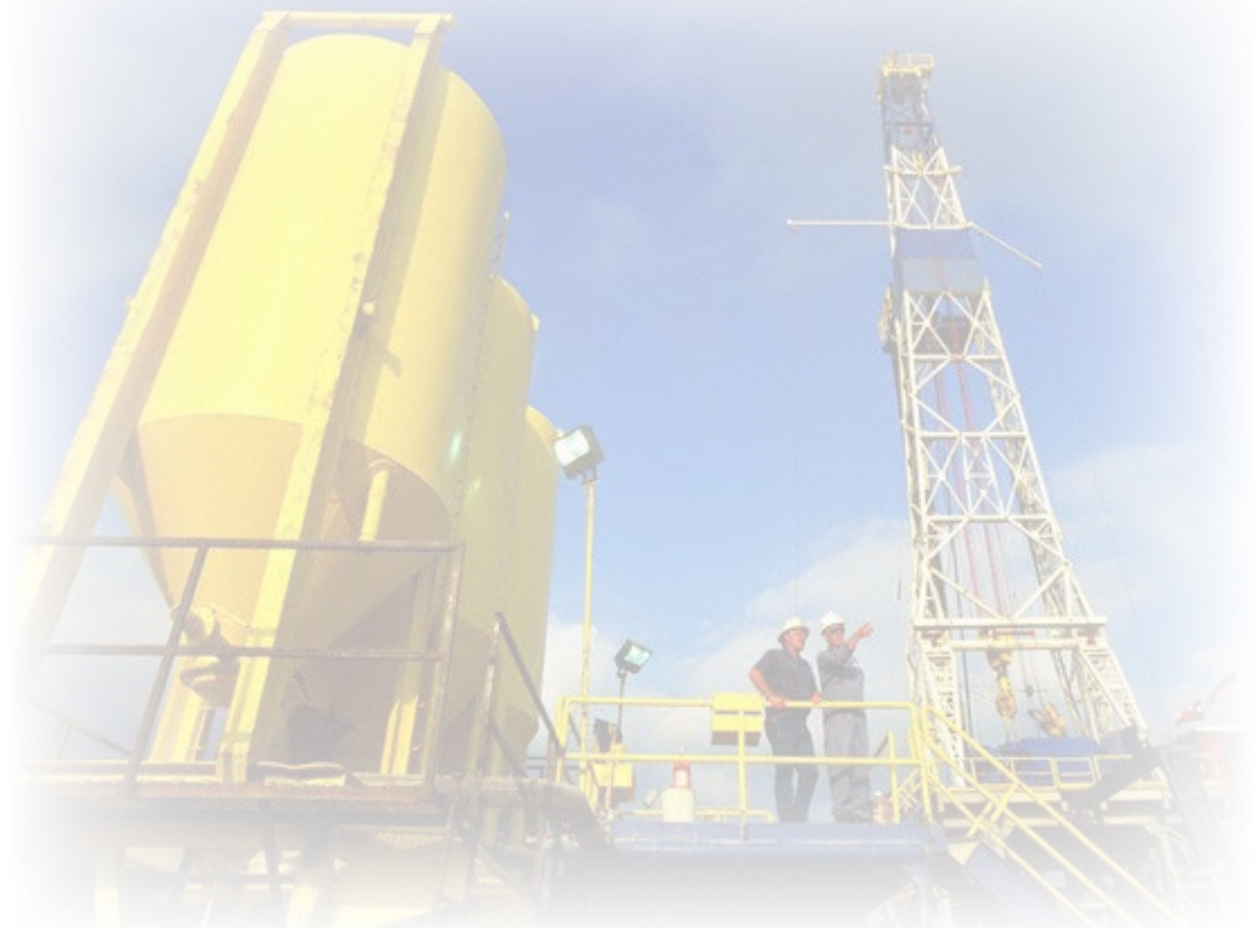


# Iran's Foreign Trade during the First 7 Months of 1386 (21 March - 22 Oct, 2007)



According to the report of I.R. of Iran's Customs Department Iran's foreign trade during the first months of 1386 (21 March - 22 Oct, 2007) is as follows:

## A. Export

According to the report of I.R. Iran's Customs Depart-

ment, 18298.2 thousand tons of non-oil goods with an approximate value of 8463.1 million dollars (6200.5 million euros) has been exported during the first 7 months of 1386, representing an increase of 9.06% in tonnage and 9.22% in value .The total non-oil export value

during the similar period in 1385 was 7748.4 million dollars (6128.9 million euros). Of the total non-oil export value, 32.3 million dollars was earned from out-going passenger and 190.4 million dollars was the share of frontier markets. The average tonnage price of ex-

ports in the said period has been 500 dollars which is as same as the previous year.

Of the total exported groups of goods, mineral fuels, minerals oils and products of their distillation enjoyed a share of 20.67% of value; claiming first in rank, followed by organic chemicals with 8.30% of value; edible fruit and nuts, peel of citrus fruit or melons with 8.20% of value; plastics and articles thereof with 6.06% of value; and iron and steel with 5.99% of value in descending order.

Chart 1 shows the main non-oil export items. Accordingly, export of "liquefied propane" with 558.2 million dollars or 6.60% of total exports, ranks first. "Pistachios" with 459.3 million dollars and 5.43%; "liquefied butanes" with 384.5 million dollars or 4.54%; and "other aromatic hydrocarbon mixtures" with 300.7 million dollars and 3.55% assume the descending ranks.

Other main figures includes, cathodes and sections of cathodes, 2.70%; flat-rolled products of iron, 2.52%; carpets of wool or fine animal hair, 2.50% other aromatic hydrocarbon mixture, 2.45%; methanol, 2.37%; and textile grade, 2.23% of total exports.

During the first 7 months of 1386, the total share of 10 items above has been 34.89% of value and 24.86% of weight of the total non-oil exports, whereas the same items in

1385 represented 30.64% of total value and 19.77% of total weight of exports.

According to the present statistics, the highest amount of Iran's total exports, 1200.8 million dollars (14.19%) and 2841.4 thousand tons (15.53%) have been sent off to the United Arab Emirates; Iraq with 1806.3 thousand tons (9.87%) and 903.8 million dollars (10.68%) ranks second, followed by China (8.29%), Japan (6.06%), India (4.83%), Italy (3.89%), Turkey (3.85%), Afghanistan (3.11%), Korea Republic (2.99%), Kuwait (2.76%). Thus the 10 country's share of Iran's total export values amounts to 60.65%.

## B. Imports

According to the statistics published by the I.R Iran's Customs Department for the first 7 months of 1386, 23056 thousand tons of various goods worth 25083.7 million dollars (18444.1 million euros) have been imported which, compared to the similar period in 1385, shows 3.83% decrease in weight and 6.61% increase in value. Average price per ton of imported goods in the said period has been 1100 dollars which, compared to the 1000 dollars of the previous year, shows 10% increase.

Chart 2 shows significant import items during the first 7 months of 1386. The great-

est value and share of the total import belong to "Gasoline", worth 1472 million dollars, 5.87%. "Ingots of iron and non-alloy steel" and "Other light oils and preparations" occupy 2nd and 3rd position with 4.48% and 1.87% share respectively.

Other important items include: "I sections of iron or non-alloy steel", 1.74%; "Bars of iron or non-alloy steel", 1.58%; "maize(corn)" 1.31%; "C.K.D parts for manufacturing motor vehicles", 1.3%; flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel", 1.15%; "Soya beans", 0.99%; "Semi-milled or wholly milled rice", 0.87%; All mentioned items constituted 21.16% of the value and 41.74% of the total weight of the imports.

During the first 7 months of 1386, the greatest share of imported goods with 5932.6 thousand tons and 5766 million dollars have been imported from United Arab Emirates, representing 25.73% share of the weight and 22.99% of value of total import.

Imports of goods from Germany stand 2nd, about 1488.5 thousand tons, 6.46% and 2889.3 million dollars, 11.52%.

In terms of value, other ranks belong to china, 8.49%; Switzerland, 5.94%; Republic Of Korea ,4.92%; UK, 4.35%; France,4.18%; Italy, 3.95%; India, 3.90%; and Japan, 2.79%; The total share

**Table 1**  
Export of non-oil goods and their main items in first 5 months

Goods	March 2007-October2007					March 2006- October 2006					% of change	
	Weight (thousand tons)	Value (million dollars)	Value (million euros)	% share of each goods		Weight (thousand tons)	Value (million dollars)	Value (million euros)	% share of each goods		Weight	value
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Liquefied propane	1086.5	558.2	409.2	5.94	6.6	851.7	386.5	305.7	5.08	4.99	27.57	44.44
Pistachios	72.6	459.3	335.2	0.4	5.43	71.9	454.9	359.5	0.43	5.87	1.01	0.95
Liquefied butanes	766.3	384.5	281.9	4.19	4.54	357.4	164.6	130.3	2.13	2.12	114.44	133.52
Other aromatic hydrocarbon mixtures	554.5	300.7	220.9	3.03	3.55	400.7	197.4	155.9	2.39	2.55	38.39	52.35
Cathodes& sections of cathodes	31.8	228.3	166.9	0.17	2.7	62.2	364.4	289.8	0.37	4.7	-48.93	-37.36
Flat-rolled products of iron	358.4	213.1	156.2	1.96	2.52	659.6	300.1	238.3	3.93	3.87	-45.66	-28.99
Carpets of wool or fine animal hair	6	211.6	154.4	0.03	2.5	8	229.5	181	0.05	2.96	-24.34	-7.81
Other petroleum gases	375.9	207.6	151	2.05	2.45	64.8	34.7	27.6	0.39	0.45	479.83	498.72
Methanol	1101.8	200.9	146.7	6.02	2.37	683.3	103.5	81.5	4.07	1.34	61.26	94.16
Textile Grade	196.6	189.1	138.7	1.07	2.23	156.1	138.9	109.4	0.93	1.79	25.94	36.1
Total	12681.2	6157.5	4508.8	69.3	72.76	10864.3	4795.7	3794.1	64.76	61.89	16.72	28.40
Others from other customs	5205.5	2082.9	1528.8	28.45	24.61	5332.6	2675.3	2115.3	31.78	34.53	-2.38	-22.14
Export from out-going passenger	29	32.3	23.6	0.16	0.38	18.7	29.4	23.2	0.11	0.38	55.56	9.86
Export from frontier markets	382.5	190.4	139.3	2.09	2.25	562	248	196.2	3.35	3.2	-31.93	-23.21
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>18298.2</b>	<b>8463.1</b>	<b>6200.5</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>16777.5</b>	<b>7748.4</b>	<b>6128.9</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>9.06</b>	<b>9.22</b>

**Table 2**  
Import of non-oil goods and their main items in first 5 months

Goods	March 2007-October2007					March 2006- October 2006					% of change	
	Weight (thousand tons)	Value (million dollars)	Value (million euros)	% share of each goods		Weight (thousand tons)	Value (million dollars)	Value (million euros)	% share of each goods		Weight	value
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Gasoline	2241.9	1472	1089.7	9.72	5.87	4416.1	3004.4	2380.4	18.42	12.77	-49.23	-51
Ingots of iron & non-alloy steel	2075	1123.5	826.8	9	4.48	1246	519.5	411.6	5.2	2.21	66.53	116.26
Other light oils & preparations	782.1	468.5	343.3	3.39	1.87	361.7	212	167	1.51	0.9	116.26	121
I sections of iron or non-alloy steel	721.2	436.9	320.7	3.13	1.74	141	78.8	63.6	0.59	0.33	411.44	454.38
Bars of iron or non-alloy steel	756.3	395.8	291.8	3.28	1.58	108.1	48.6	38.2	0.45	0.21	599.91	714.8
Maize(corn)	1417.9	329.3	242.3	6.15	1.31	1637.3	266.6	211.3	6.83	1.13	-13.41	23.52
C.K.D parts for manufacturin	29.1	326	239.3	0.13	1.3	20.7	224.6	178.8	0.09	0.95	20.63	45.10
Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy	287.9	289.6	215.3	1.25	1.15	358.7	334.1	267.5	1.5	1.42	-19.74	-13.34
Soya beans	748	247.1	183.4	3.24	0.99	438.8	125.7	99.7	1.83	0.53	70.46	96.65
Semi-milled or wholly milled rice	564.9	218.4	161.6	2.45	0.87	777.3	255.1	201.5	3.24	1.08	-27.32	-14.39
Total	16272.6	13040.3	9593.6	70.58	51.99	16803.6	12697.8	10060.9	70.09	53.97	-3.16	2.7
Goods from other customs	6783.4	12043.4	8850.5	29.42	48.01	7171.7	10830.8	8591	29.91	46.03	-5.41	11.2
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>23056</b>	<b>25083.7</b>	<b>18444.1</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>23975.3</b>	<b>23528.6</b>	<b>18651.9</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-3.83</b>	<b>6.61</b>