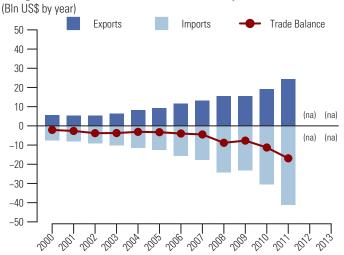
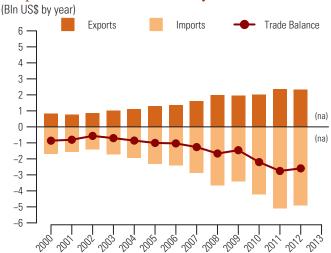
Overview:

In 2011, the value of merchandise exports of Bangladesh increased substantially by 26.4 percent to reach 24.3 bln US\$, while its merchandise imports increased substantially by 35.1 percent to reach 41.2 bln US\$ (see graph 1, table 2 and table 3). The merchandise trade balance recorded a moderate deficit of 16.9 bln US\$ (see graph 1). The largest merchandise trade balance was with MDG South-eastern Asia at -15.9 bln US\$ (see graph 4). Merchandise exports in Bangladesh were diversified amongst partners; imports were also diversified. The top 13 partners accounted for 80 percent or more of exports and 15 partners accounted for 80 percent or more of imports (see graph 5). In 2012, the value of exports of services of Bangladesh decreased slightly by 1.1 percent, reaching 2.3 bln US\$, while its imports of services decreased slightly by 3.7 percent and reached 4.9 bln US\$ (see graph 2). There was a large trade in services deficit of 2.6 bln US\$.

Graph 1: Total merchandise trade, by value



Graph 2: Total services trade, by value



Exports Profile:

"Miscellaneous manufactured articles" (SITC section 8), "goods classified chiefly by material" (SITC section 6) and "food, animals + beverages, tobacco" (SITC section 0+1) were the largest commodity groups for exports in 2011 representing respectively 81.1, 9.8 and 3.8 percent of exported goods (see table 2). From 2009 to 2011, the largest export commodity was "t-shirts, singlets and other vests, knitted or crocheted" (HS code 6109) (see table 1). The top three destinations for merchandise exports were the United States, Germany and the United Kingdom, accounting for respectively 22.9, 14.6 and 9.3 percent of total exports. "Government services, n.i.e." (EBOPS code 291) accounted for the largest share of exports of services in 2012 at 991.0 mln US\$, followed by "Transportation" (EBOPS code 205) at 376.0 mln US\$ and "Communications services" (EBOPS code 245) at 328.0 mln US\$ (see graph 3).

Graph 3: Exports of services by EBOPS category (% share in 2012)

Gov. services, n.i.e. (42.6 %)

Communication (14.1 %)

Remaining (13.0 %)

Other business

(14.0%)

Table 1: Top 10 export commodities 2009 to 2011

HS	Valu	Value (million US\$)			Unit value			SITC
code 4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2007	2009	2010	2011	2009 2	2010	2011	Unit	code
All Commodities	15558.6	19231.0	24313.7					
6109 T-shirts, singlets and other vests, knitted or crocheted		3845.5	4832.3	0.0	10.1	21.8	US\$/unit	845
6203 Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, trousers	2954.3	3523.8	4545.9	5.2	11.4	<i>25.1</i>	US\$/unit	841
6110 Jerseys, pullovers, cardigans, waist-coats and similar articles	1836.4	2073.7	2656.3	7.1	13.6	34.9	US\$/unit	845
6204 Women's or girls' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts	1299.6	1568.5	2076.1	5.6	13.3	27.6	US\$/unit	842
6205 Men's or boys' shirts	950.2	1238.9	1705.6	5.5	13.5	31.4	US\$/unit	841
6105 Men's or boys' shirts, knitted or crocheted	421.4	566.4	732.2	4.8	11.0	23.1	US\$/unit	843
6302 Bed linen, table linen, toilet linen and kitchen linen	270.0	376.6	664.1	5.7	6.1	15.2	US\$/kg	658
0306 Crustaceans, whether in shell or not	318.5	438.0	498.2	7.3	8.5	17.9	US\$/kg	036
5307 Yarn of jute or of other textile bast fibres of heading 53.03	259.9	491.4	479.4	0.8	1.3	2.1	US\$/kg	651
6103 Men's, boys' suits, jackets, trousers etc knitted or crocheted	300.8	300.7	424.2	5.4	10.8	25.2	US\$/unit	843

Source: UN Comtrade and UN ServiceTrade

Services Imports and Exports: EBOPS 2002 categories

Table 2: Merchandise exports by SITC

(Value in million US\$, growth and shares in percentage)

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SITC	2011	Avg. Grov 2007-2011		2011 share
Total	24313.7	16.6	26.4	100.0
0+1	926.2	2.0	22.7	3.8
2+4	536.0	4.3	12.7	2.2
3	280.1	7.0	-22.3	1.2
5	171.0	-0.8	44.1	0.7
6	2387.6	14.1	20.4	9.8
7	282.8	-4.2	10.0	1.2
8	19730.1	19.4	29.1	81.1
9	0.0	-72.9	-83.4	0.0

Table 3: Merchandise imports by SITC

(Value in million US\$, growth and shares in percentage)

(value in million 664, growth and charge in percentage)							
		Avg. Grov	2011				
SITC	2011	2007-2011	2010-2011	share			
Total	41 221.7	23.7	35.1	100.0			
0+1	4201.3	17.3	40.0	10.2			
2+4	7 169.8	20.4	42.3	17.4			
3	3126.4	14.1	23.5	7.6			
5	5073.0	24.5	40.2	12.3			
6	10495.3	37.2	26.5	25.5			
7	9370.1	23.2	43.0	22.7			
8	1785.2	25.2	22.1	4.3			
9	0.6	-78.3	94.7	0.0			

SITC Legend

SITC	
Code	Description
Total	All commodities
0+1	Food, animals + beverages, tobacco
2+4	Crude materials + anim. & veg. oils
3	Mineral fuels, lubricants
5	Chemicals
6	Goods classified chiefly by material
7	Machinery and transport equipment
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles
9	Not classified elsewhere in the SITC

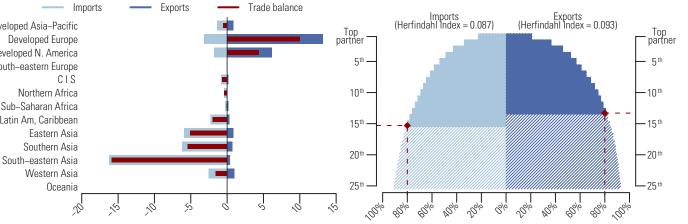
Graph 4: Merchandise trade balance

(Bln US\$ by MDG Regions in 2011)

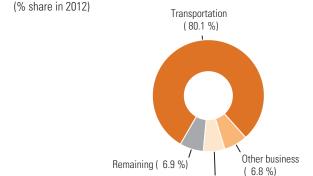
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Graph 5: Partner concentration of merchandise trade

(Cumulative share by ranked partners in 2011)



Graph 6: Imports of services by EBOPS category



Imports Profile:

"Goods classified chiefly by material" (SITC section 6), "machinery and transport equipment" (SITC section 7) and "crude materials + anim. & veg. oils" (SITC section 2+4) were the largest commodity groups for imports in 2011 representing respectively 25.5, 22.7 and 17.4 percent of imported goods (see table 3). From 2009 to 2011, the largest import commodity was petroleum oils, other than crude" (HS code 2710) (see table 4). The top three partners for merchandise imports were China, Thailand and India, accounting for respectively 13.4, 12.4 and 11.1 percent of total imports. "Transportation" (EBOPS code 205) accounted for the largest share of imports of services in 2012 at 3.9 bln US\$, followed by "Other business services" (EBOPS code 268) at 336.0 mln US\$ and "Travel" (EBOPS code 236) at 305.0 mln US\$ (see graph 6).

Table 4: Top 10 import commodities 2009 to 2011

Travel (6.2 %)

HS	•	Value (million US\$)			Unit value			SITC	
code	4-digit heading of Harmonized System 2007	2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	Unit	code
All (Commodities	23 245.0	30503.8	41 221.7					
2710 Petr	oleum oils, other than crude	2316.6	2103.9	2739.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	US\$/kg	334
5201 Cott	on, not carded or combed	1143.1	1958.8	2393.5	1.4	2.0	3.4	US\$/kg	263
1511 Paln	n oil and its fractions	1278.4	1460.1	2372.3	0.7	8.0	1.1	US\$/kg	422
5208 Wov	ven fabrics of cotton, containing 85 % or more by weight of cotton	680.9	957.5	1 486.5	5.3	7.3	9.7	US\$/kg	652
1001 Whe	eat and meslin	788.3	807.5	1004.8	0.3	0.3	0.4	US\$/kg	041
1701 Can	e or beet sugar and chemically pure sucrose, in solid form	584.0	731.5	1157.5	0.4	0.6	0.7	US\$/kg	061
5209 Wov	ven fabrics of cotton, containing 85 % or more by weight of cotton	575.7	740.9	1131.8	4.9	5.8	8.1	US\$/kg	652
5205 Cott	on yarn (other than sewing thread), containing 85 % or more	409.1	793.1	1130.9	2.7	3.8	5.1	US\$/kg	651
1507 Soya	a-bean oil and its fractions	534.0	651.7	1109.4	8.0	0.9	1.3	US\$/kg	421
2523 Port	land cement, aluminous cement, slag cement	301.4	1322.1	561.7	0.0	0.2	0.1	US\$/kg	661