

Foreign Trade

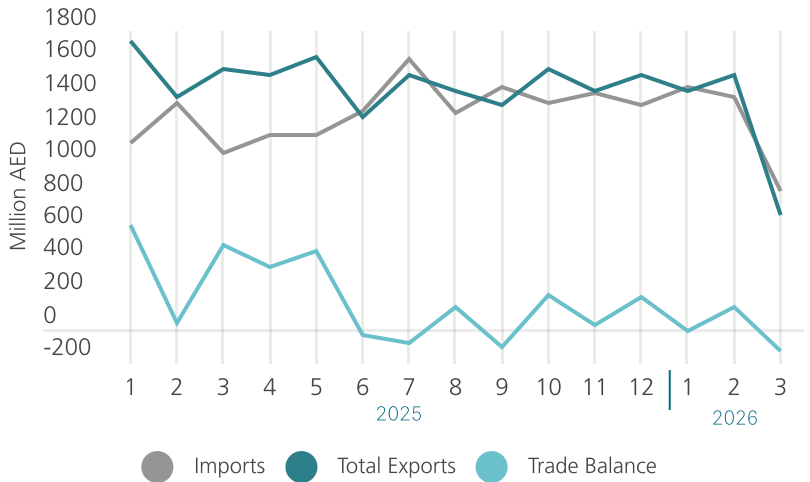
First Quarter 2026



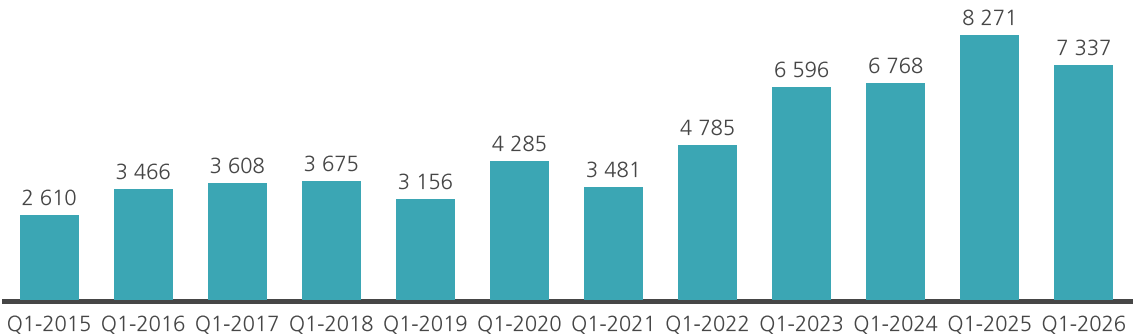
A quarterly bulletin issued by Ras Al Khaimah Center for Statistics, contains foreign trade data received from the Customs Department in Ras Al Khaimah, which includes trade movement data made through the emirate's ports.

Main Points

- **7 337** million dirahms
Size of total trade in Ras Al Khaimah in the first quarter of 2026.
- **49.7%**
Share of total exports in total trade.
- **50.3%**
Share of imports in total trade.
- **11.3%**
decrease in the trade size compared with the same quarter in 2025.
- **22.6%**
decrease in total exports compared with the same quarter in 2025.



International Trade for the first quarters through Ras Al Khaimah ports 2015–2026 (million AED)



Introduction

Foreign trade Statistics are important statistics, they enable the production of a wide group of statistical indicators that show movement of goods that entered or exited from emirates ports (Marine, land, and air). The department of customs in Ras Al Khaimah is the main source of the data, as it monitors the trade movement through 12 custom centers in the emirate.

The data in the report, covers all the trade movement through the emirate's ports to the outside world; it does not include trade transactions of Ras Al Khaimah done through the ports in other emirates.

The center has adopted the general trade system in producing trade data based on international recommendations to adopt this system to produce the data.

The center extends its sincere thanks to the customs department in Ras Al Khaimah for its full collaboration with the center in providing the data to produce the foreign trade statistics.

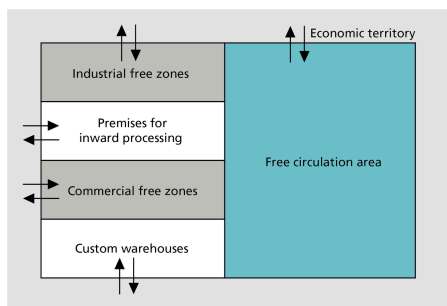
Notes

- The data in the report is preliminary data.
- Any difference in totals is because of rounding.
- "0" = the value is less than one million dirham.
- "-" = The value equals zero.

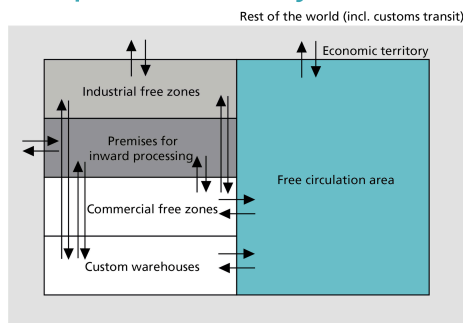
Concepts and Terminology

- **The economic territory:** is the area under the effective economic control of a single Government in which it gets things done effectively.
- **The General trade system and the Special trade system:** The general trade system is in use when the statistical territory in a country coincides with the economic territory. While the special trade system is in use when the statistical territory comprises only a particular part of the economic territory.

General trade System



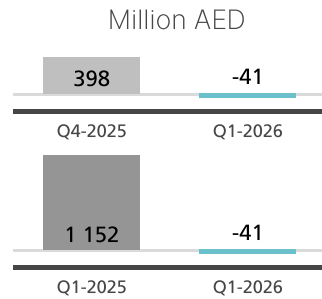
Special trade system



Trade Balance & Imports

Trade Balance

The trade balance recorded a deficit of approximately 41 million dirhams in the first quarter of 2026, compared to a surplus of 398 million dirhams in the fourth quarter of 2025, reflecting a decline of 110.4%. Compared with the same quarter of the previous year (Q1 2025), which recorded a surplus of 1152 million dirhams, the trade balance declined by approximately 103.6%.



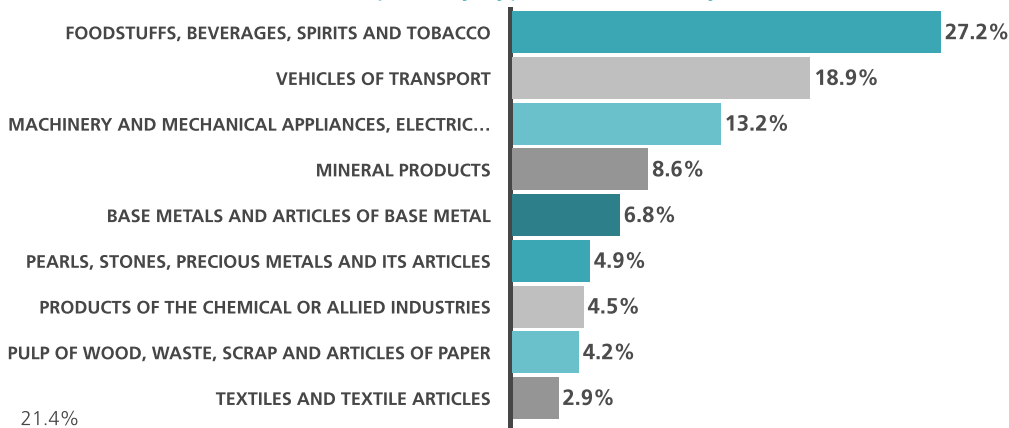
Imports

The total imports amounted to 3689 million dirhams in the first quarter of 2026, compared with 4143 million dirhams in the previous quarter (fourth quarter of 2025), reflecting a decrease of about 10.9%. Compared with the same quarter of the previous year, the data showed an increase of approximately 3.6%.

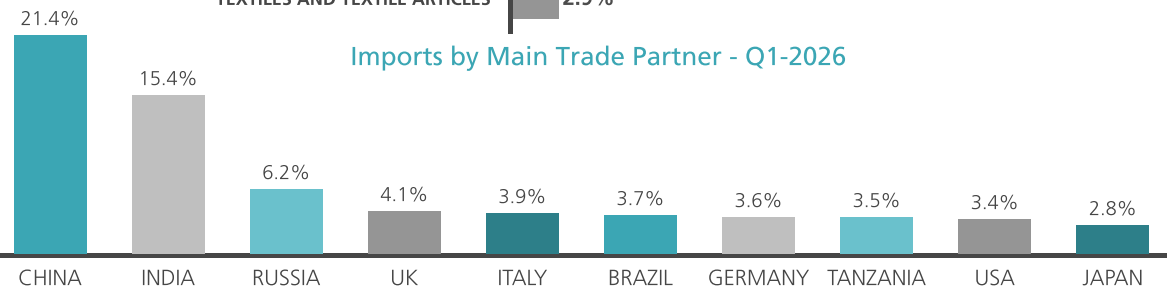
As for the country of origin, around 21.4% of the imports were from China, about 15.4% from India, and 6.2% from Russia.

In terms of imported goods, the data showed that imports of foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and tobacco ranked first with a value of around 1005 million dirhams, followed by vehicles of transport with about 697 million dirhams and machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment, and parts thereof with about 485 million dirhams.

Imports By Type of Commodity - Q1-2026



Imports by Main Trade Partner - Q1-2026



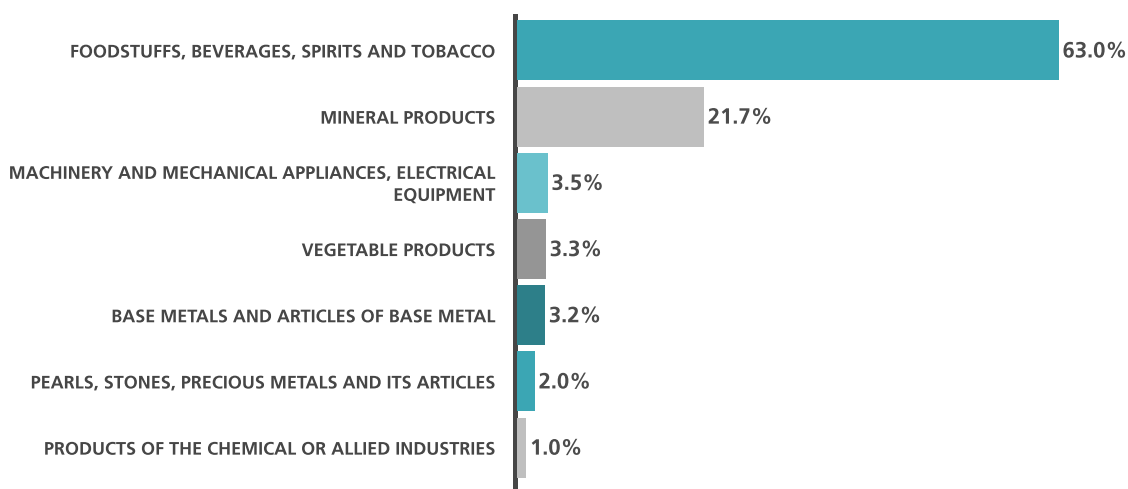
Exports

In comparison with the previous quarter, exports decreased by about 14.8% in the first quarter of 2026, reaching around 2979 million dirhams. Compared with the same quarter of the previous year (2025), exports decreased by about 19.8%, where total exports amounted to 3715 million dirhams.

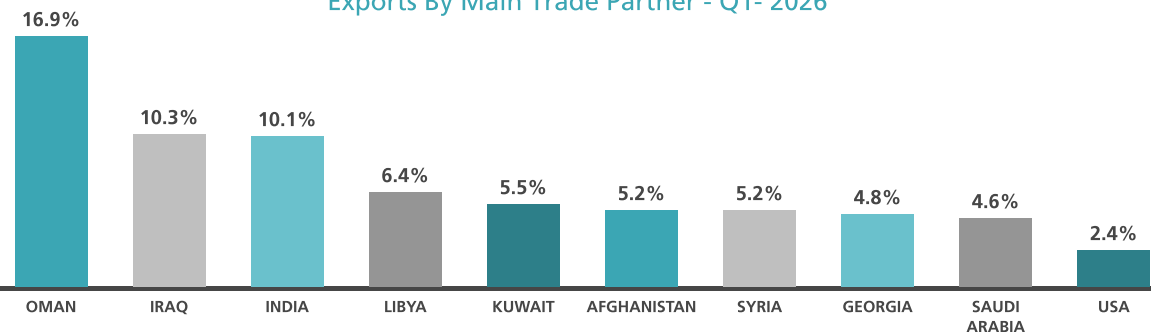
The data showed that most exports were concentrated in the foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and tobacco products group, with a value of around 1878 million dirhams, followed by mineral products with total exports of around 646 million dirhams.

Based on the destination, exports to Oman accounted for about 16.9% of total exports during the first quarter of 2026, followed by Iraq at 10.3% and India at approximately 10.1%.

Exports By Type of Commodity - Q1- 2026



Exports By Main Trade Partner - Q1- 2026



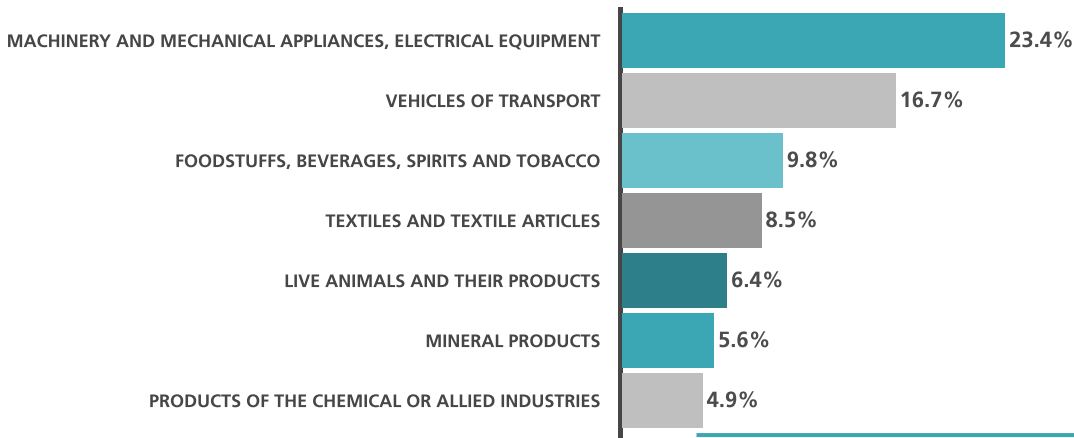
Re-exports

In the first quarter of 2026, total re-exports amounted to around 668 million dirhams, decreasing by about 35.9% compared with the previous quarter (fourth quarter of 2025), which recorded approximately 1043 million dirhams. Compared with the same quarter of the previous year (2025), re-exports declined by about 32.9%, when they had amounted to approximately 997 million dirhams.

The data indicated that re-exports of machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment, and parts thereof ranked first, amounting to around 156 million dirhams, followed by vehicles of transport at about 112 million dirhams.

In terms of trade partners, Oman accounted for the largest share of re-exports at around 55% of the total, followed by Iraq at approximately 9%, and Turkmenistan at about 6% of total re-exports.

Re-exports By Type of Commodity - Q1- 2026



Notes

- **Data source:** data of customs transactions from the Customs Department in Ras Al Khaimah.
- **Methodology of the data production:** The data was produced based on the General System of Foreign Trade.
- **Coverage:** The data contains all the transactions of importing, exporting, and re-exporting, done through the customs ports of Ras Al Khaimah, therefore, the data in this report does not include the foreign trade data of the emirate of Ras Al Khaimah done through other emirates.
- **Manuals and classifications used:**
 - The Harmonized System
 - International Merchandise Trade Statistics.

Tables

in million AED

International Trade through Ras Al Khaimah Ports by Country Groups - Q1-2026

COUNTRY	IMPORTS	EXPORTS	RE-EXPORTS
Gcc	113.1	881.8	406.2
Other Arab Countries	107.8	752.1	132.8
Non-Arab Asian Countries	1 870.8	982.4	72.1
African - non - Arab Countries	296.5	123.9	25.6
European Countries	960.3	141.8	23.4
American Countries	305.6	85.5	7.4
Oceanic Countries	34.9	11.5	0.6
Other Countries not classified	0.0	0.3	0.2
Total	3 688.9	2 979.3	668.3

International Trade through Ras Al Khaimah Ports by Sections of H.S - Q1-2026

SECTION	IMPORTS	EXPORTS	RE-EXPORTS
Live animals and their products	68.9	1.8	42.7
Vegetable products	54.5	97.4	30.0
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and waxes	2.4	2.0	0.9
Foodstuffs, beverages, spirits and tobacco	1 004.6	1 877.9	65.7
Mineral products	316.6	646.0	37.8
Products of the chemical or allied industries	166.9	30.2	33.1
Plastics, rubber and articles thereof	73.0	10.9	22.7
Articles of leather and animal gut, travel goods	1.2	0.0	1.4
Articles of wood, cork, basket ware and wickerwork	6.7	0.4	1.4
Pulp of wood, paper waste, scrap and articles of paper	153.4	0.3	19.0
Textiles and textile articles	108.7	1.1	57.0
Footwear, umbrellas, articles of feather and hair	1.3	0.0	22.9
Articles of stone, mica, ceramic products and glass	26.9	26.7	9.4
Pearls, stones, precious metals and its articles	181.0	59.6	0.6
Base metals and articles of base metal	252.4	96.6	25.7
Machinery & mechanical appliances, electrical equipment	485.5	104.7	156.3
Vehicles of Transport	697.2	12.5	111.7
Photographic, medical, musical instruments and parts	54.4	6.7	12.8
Arms and ammunition; parts & accessories	0.0	-	-
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	33.4	4.4	16.8
Pieces and antiques 'works of art, collectors	-	0.2	0.6
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