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Statement:

Trade Statistics

Central Statistical Organization (CSO) compiles the raw data of exports and imports collected from the Customs Department. CSO has been using not only the manual of International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS): Concepts and Definitions 2010 but also Eurotrace software to improve the accuracy and quality of statistics in International Trade Statistics.

CSO uses export and import data of electricity and aviation oil as non-customs data for foreign trade statistics.

The foreign trade data is processed by using HS2017 codes to produce by commodities, by countries, by ways, by commodities group, by commodities section. Principal commodities are produced by partner countries. Moreover, unit value indexes of export and import are summarized annually for publication in the Myanmar Statistical Yearbook.

Foreign Trade statistics are produced and published in Selected Monthly Economic Indicators, Quarterly Statistics Bulletin and Myanmar Statistical Yearbook. CSO has been providing foreign trade statistics according to the needs of the United Nations Statistical Division as well as the ASEAN Statistics Division (ASEANstats). Furthermore, CSO compiled the IMTS Methodological Handbook (Myanmar) and IMTS Synthesis Report provided by the ASEANstats.

CSO provides foreign trade statistics to planners, policy makers, researchers and data users as per their requirements. CSO has conducted mirror trade analysis of the neighboring countries.

CSO has been developing indicators in business and trade statistics for National Indicators Framework. CSO wishes to participate actively in any capacity building training, forums, workshops, and relevant activities to develop and strengthen the National Statistical System.

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