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and imports of industrial machinery and  
equipment in December 2018**

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## **I. Introduction**

The Industrial Information Department of the Ministry of Industry has prepared a detailed report on industrial exports and imports of industrial machinery and equipment for the month of December 2018.

It should be noted that the total value of industrial exports during the year 2018 amounted about 2 billion and 548 million US dollars compared to 2 billion and 474 million US dollars during the same period of the year 2017, and 2 billion and 527 million US dollars during the same period of the year 2016. Therefore we notice an increase of 3.0% compared to the year 2017, and an increase of 0.8% compared to the year 2016. (Tables 1 and 11)

It should also be noted that the monthly average of the Lebanese industrial exports during the year 2018 amounted about 212.3 million US dollars compared to 206.1 million US dollars during the year 2017, and 210.6 million US dollars during the year 2016.

On the other hand, the total value of imports of industrial machinery and equipment during the year 2018 amounted about 266.4 million US dollars compared to 257.4 million US dollars during the same period of the year 2017, and 235.5 million US dollars during the same period of the year 2016. Therefore, we notice an increase of 3.5% compared to the year 2017, and an increase of 13.1% compared to the year 2016. (Table 17)

## **II. Industrial exports in December 2018**

The total value of industrial exports in December 2018 amounted to nearly 213.8 million US dollars, compared to 219.6 million US dollars in December 2017, and 216.3 million US dollars in December 2016, which is equivalent to a decrease of 5.8 million US dollars, with the rate of 2.6% compared to year 2017, and a decrease of 2.5 million US dollars with the rate of 1.2%, compared to year 2016. (Table 1, and Map 1, and Chart 1)

### **1. Main exported products**

Exports of **Products of the chemical industries** came first in December 2018, with a total value of 40.3 million US dollars; Turkey was on top of importers list of this product, with an import value of 5.4 million US dollars. Followed by exports of **Machinery and electrical equipment**, with a total value of 37.0 million US dollars, Syria was the largest importer of this product, with an import value of 5.3 million US dollars. Then **Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco**, with a total value of 32.0 million US dollars, Saudi Arabia topped the importers list of this product, with an import value of 4.9 million US dollars, followed by **Base metals and articles of base metal**, with a total value of 21.6 million US dollars. (For more details tables 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 15, and 16 and Maps 2, 3, and 4)

### **2. Products with increased exports value**

Statistics showed a significant increase in exports of the following products:

#### **2.1. Products of the chemical industries**

Exports of this product increased from 30.1 million US dollars in December 2017 to 40.3 million US dollars in December 2018 (Table 2 and Chart 2). The exports of this product mainly decreased to Saudi Arabia whereas it mainly increased to Italy, Spain, Iraq, Jordan, and Turkey which led to an increase in the total value of about 10.2 million US dollars. (Tables 3 and 4)

#### **2.2. Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals and articles thereof (Excluding unworked diamonds, silver and gold Ingots)**

Exports of this product increased from 12.2 million US dollars in December 2017 to 19.3 million US dollars in December 2018 (Table 2 and

Chart 2). The exports of this product mainly increased to Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates which led to an increase of the total value of about 7.2 million US dollars. (Tables 5 and 6).

### **3. Products with decreased exports value**

Statistics showed a significant decrease in exports of the following products:

#### **3.1. Base metals and articles of base metal**

Exports of this product decreased from 35.7 million US dollars in December 2017 to 21.6 million US dollars in December 2018 (Table 2 and Chart 2). The exports of this product mainly increased to Greece and Egypt whereas it mainly decreased to Turkey, Spain, Saudi Arabia and Republic of Korea which led to a fall of the total value of about 14.1 million US dollars. (Tables 7 and 8)

#### **3.2. Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco**

Exports of this product decreased from 41.6 million US dollars in December 2017 to 32.0 million US dollars in December 2018 (Table 2 and Chart 2). The exports of this product mainly decreased to Syria, Egypt, Iraq, and Qatar which led to a fall of the total value of about 9.6 million US dollars. (Tables 9 and 10)

### **4. Main export markets**

#### **4.1. Main export markets by groups of countries**

Arab countries were the main market for Lebanese industrial exports in December 2018, with a total export value of 129.8 million US dollars, with a rate of 60.7% of the total export value. European countries were the second largest export markets with a rate of 15.1% of the total export value. Followed by, Non-arab African countries with a rate of 11.2% of the total export value, and, the Non-arab Asian countries with a rate of 7.4% of the total export value. The main products exported to Arab countries are: Machinery and electrical equipment with the total value of 24.9 million US dollars, Products of the chemical industries with the total value of 22.4 million US dollars, and the Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco with the total value of 18.2 million US dollars. (Table 12 and Map 1)

#### **4.2. Main export markets by country**

Among countries importing Lebanese industrial products, United Arab Emirates ranked first with a total value of 24.0 million US dollars, with a rate of 11.2% of the total export value. Saudi Arabia came second with a total value of 21.0 million US dollars with a rate of 9.8% of the total export value. Followed by, Syria with a total value of 18.8 million US dollars with a rate of 8.8% of the total exports value. (Table 13 and Map 1)

During this month, Lebanese products were exported to 45 European countries, 42 Non-arab African countries, 29 Non-arab Asian countries, 27 American countries, 19 Arab countries, and 7 Oceanic countries. Countries that imported Lebanese goods by over 1 million US dollars are as following: 15 Arab countries, 7 European countries, 5 Non-arab African countries, 4 Non-arab Asian countries, 2 American countries, and 1 Oceanic country. (Table 14, and Map 1, and Charts 3 and 4)

### **III. Imports of industrial machinery and equipment**

The total import value of industrial machinery and equipment in December 2018 reached about 16.3 million US dollars compared to 23.2 million US dollars during the same period in 2017, and 17.9 million US dollars during the same period in 2016, a decline by 29.6% compared to year 2017, and a decline of 8.8% compared to year 2016. (Tables 17 and 18 and Chart 5)

#### **1. Imported industrial machinery and equipment by country of origin**

China ranked first on the list of countries exporting industrial machinery and equipment to Lebanon, with a total value amounting to about 3.6 million US dollars, followed by Germany, with a total value of 3.3 million US dollars, and Italy, with a total value of 2.9 million US dollars. (Table 18)

#### **2. Imported industrial machinery and equipment by country of origin and industrial activity**

In December 2018, imports of **Machines for Food Industry**, ranked first, with a total value of 2.3 million US dollars, and Italy topped the list of countries exporting of this product to Lebanon with exports value of 917 thousand US dollars, followed by **Machines for Printing and Binding**, with a total value of 1.9 million US dollars. Germany was the leading exporter of this product with an export value of 1.8 million US dollars. Followed by **Machines**

**for Paper and Cardboard industry**, with a total value of 1.0 million US dollars. (Table 19, Chart 6)

#### IV. Appendix tables

**Table 1: Industrial exports during Years 2016 – 2017 – 2018**

Month	Year 2016	Year 2017	Year 2018	Variation in % 2016/2018	Variation in % 2017/2018
January	199.5	175.9	187.0	-6.3%	6.3%
February	222.8	196.8	203.4	-8.7%	3.4%
March	211.6	223.9	238.4	12.6%	6.5%
April	231.1	210.4	227.8	-1.4%	8.3%
May	210.6	205.9	222.8	5.8%	8.2%
June	225.3	199.0	186.3	-17.4%	-6.4%
July	178.8	215.7	198.5	11.0%	-8.0%
August	232.9	227.0	212.4	-8.8%	-6.4%
September	184.3	167.6	206.2	11.9%	23.0%
October	220.0	226.7	240.0	9.1%	5.9%
November	193.7	205.1	211.4	9.1%	3.1%
December	216.3	219.6	213.8	-1.2%	-2.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,526.9</b>	<b>2,473.5</b>	<b>2,548.0</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>

*All above figures are in Millions of USD*



**Table 2: Comparison of industrial exports during December 2018 and December 2017**

Section	Goods	December 2017	December 2018	Variation 2017/2018	Variation in % 2017/2018
1	Animal products	0.51	0.56	0.04	8.6%
2	Vegetable products	5.78	4.61	-1.17	-20.3%
3	Fats and edible fats and oils	4.32	8.75	4.42	102.3%
4	Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco	41.61	31.98	-9.63	-23.1%
5	Mineral products	0.68	1.05	0.37	54.1%
6	Products of the chemical industries	30.14	40.35	10.20	33.9%
7	Plastics and rubber and articles thereof	14.86	17.66	2.80	18.8%
8	Raw hides and skins, leather, furskins and articles thereof	0.95	0.95	0.01	0.6%
9	Wood and articles of wood	0.76	0.58	-0.18	-23.9%
10	Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	10.88	10.49	-0.39	-3.6%
11	Textiles and textile articles	5.38	3.87	-1.51	-28.0%
12	Footwear, headgear, prepared feather	0.65	0.41	-0.24	-37.4%
13	Articles of stone, plaster, cement; glass and glassware	1.91	2.48	0.57	29.9%
14	Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals and articles thereof (Excluding unworked diamonds, silver and gold Ingots) <sup>1</sup>	12.18	19.35	7.16	58.8%
15	Base metals and articles of base metal	35.67	21.55	-14.11	-39.6%
16	Machinery and electrical equipment	42.50	37.01	-5.49	-12.9%
17	Transport equipment	1.22	2.14	0.92	75.7%
18	Optical, measuring, medical, and musical instruments; clocks and watches	1.36	1.27	-0.09	-6.8%
19	Arms and ammunition				
20	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	8.19	8.70	0.52	6.3%
<b>Total</b>		<b>219.56</b>	<b>213.76</b>	<b>-5.80</b>	<b>-2.6%</b>

*All above figures are in Millions of USD*

<sup>1</sup> Exports of unworked Diamonds, Silver and Gold Ingots reached this month a value of 35.4 million USD

**Table 3: Exports of Products of the chemical industries according to the main importing countries during December 2017**

Export destination Country	Saudi Arabia	United Arab Emirates	Turkey	Iraq	Qatar	Jordan	Syria	Kuwait
Value in thousands of USD	6,630	4,959	4,550	3,973	1,595	1,490	1,264	1,119

**Table 4: Exports of Products of the chemical industries according to the main importing countries during December 2018**

Export destination Country	Turkey	Italy	Iraq	United Arab Emirates	Spain	Saudi Arabia	Jordan	Syria
Value in thousands of USD	5,354	5,219	5,012	4,607	4,102	3,767	2,442	1,318

**Table 5: Exports of Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals and articles thereof (Excluding unworked diamonds, silver and gold Ingots) according to the main importing countries during December 2017**

Export destination Country	United Arab Emirates	Saudi Arabia	United States Of America	Jordan	Hong Kong	United Kingdom	Upper Volta	France
Value in thousands of USD	9,749	426	344	297	221	195	191	189

**Table 6: Exports of Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals and articles thereof (Excluding unworked diamonds, silver and gold Ingots) according to the main importing countries during December 2018**

Export destination Country	United Arab Emirates	Saudi Arabia	France	United States Of America	Thailand	Jordan	Italy	Upper Volta
Value in thousands of USD	12,219	3,864	978	864	351	229	212	182

**Table 7: Exports of Base metals and articles of base metal according to the main importing countries during December 2017**

Export destination Country	Turkey	Spain	Republic of Korea	Saudi Arabia	China	Algeria	Qatar	Greece
Value in thousands of USD	12,056	4,970	4,932	2,388	1,504	833	811	688

**Table 8: Exports of Base metals and articles of base metal according to the main importing countries during December 2018**

Export destination Country	Republic of Korea	Greece	Spain	Egypt	Nigeria	Qatar	China	India
Value in thousands of USD	3,831	3,611	1,926	1,829	1,203	1,044	915	737

**Table 9: Exports of Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco according to the main importing countries during December 2017**

Export destination Country	Saudi Arabia	Syria	Egypt	Iraq	Qatar	United States Of America	United Arab Emirates	Kuwait
Value in thousands of USD	5,614	5,163	4,382	3,423	2,944	2,689	2,397	1,504

**Table 10: Exports of Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco according to the main importing countries during December 2018**

Export destination Country	Saudi Arabia	Iraq	United States Of America	United Arab Emirates	Qatar	Egypt	Kuwait	Jordan
Value in thousands of USD	4,863	2,443	2,263	2,225	2,124	2,055	1,428	1,204

**Table 11: Industrial exports according to exported goods during year 2018**

Section	Goods	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total	Percentage of total %
1	Animal products	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.6	6.5	0.26%
2	Vegetable products	3.0	4.3	5.8	4.5	4.6	3.8	4.2	4.1	3.8	4.4	5.1	4.6	52.3	2.05%
3	Fats and edible fats and oils	2.9	2.8	4.2	7.9	3.0	3.2	4.3	3.7	4.0	5.9	5.1	8.7	55.8	2.19%
4	Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco	27.3	37.6	45.6	40.6	38.9	27.3	32.9	31.8	24.9	30.2	28.9	32.0	397.9	15.62%
5	Mineral products	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.9	1.5	0.9	1.0	10.6	0.42%
6	Products of the chemical industries	37.7	43.8	32.4	48.7	43.4	28.0	24.6	42.0	50.9	45.5	33.0	40.3	470.5	18.47%
7	Plastics and rubber and articles thereof	11.9	13.3	15.7	14.0	17.8	14.1	17.0	16.5	14.5	17.9	17.1	17.7	187.4	7.36%
8	Raw hides and skins, leather, furskins and articles thereof	0.9	1.2	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.0	11.0	0.43%
9	Wood and articles of wood	0.7	0.3	1.2	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.9	0.6	8.4	0.33%
10	Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	8.6	9.6	12.6	12.8	11.2	10.1	11.1	21.3	11.4	11.2	9.7	10.5	140.2	5.50%
11	Textiles and textile articles	3.1	4.4	6.2	4.4	5.4	3.4	4.5	3.2	4.2	4.4	5.0	3.9	52.0	2.04%
12	Footwear, headgear, prepared feather	0.4	1.3	1.4	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.4	8.8	0.34%
13	Articles of stone, plaster, cement; glass and glassware	1.3	2.1	2.6	1.8	2.0	1.2	1.8	1.7	2.0	1.9	2.6	2.5	23.6	0.93%
14	Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals and articles thereof (Excluding unworked diamonds, silver and gold Ingots)	5.3	8.3	12.3	9.1	11.8	18.8	11.6	12.3	15.6	16.0	13.4	19.3	153.7	6.03%
15	Base metals and articles of base metal	38.5	36.3	43.1	33.7	33.2	31.8	35.9	24.7	27.5	33.3	34.5	21.6	394.0	15.46%
16	Machinery and electrical equipment	33.8	28.5	40.5	35.4	37.6	30.0	36.4	37.0	34.9	54.5	43.5	37.0	449.2	17.63%
17	Transport equipment	3.5	0.9	1.7	1.7	1.1	2.6	2.1	3.3	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.1	23.9	0.94%
18	Optical, measuring, medical, musical instruments; watches	0.9	0.7	2.0	1.8	2.5	2.0	0.5	1.4	0.8	1.8	0.9	1.3	16.6	0.65%
19	Arms and ammunition		0.0				0.0							0.0	0.00%
20	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5.9	6.8	8.8	7.6	6.6	6.5	8.3	6.4	6.9	6.7	6.3	8.7	85.6	3.36%
<b>Total</b>		<b>187.0</b>	<b>203.4</b>	<b>238.4</b>	<b>227.8</b>	<b>222.8</b>	<b>186.3</b>	<b>198.5</b>	<b>212.4</b>	<b>206.2</b>	<b>240.0</b>	<b>211.4</b>	<b>213.8</b>	<b>2548.0</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

*All above figures are in Millions of USD*

**Table 12: Industrial exports according to exported goods and countries groups during December 2018**

Goods	Arab Countries	European Countries	Oceanic Countries	Non-Arab Asian countries	American Countries	Non-Arab African countries	Other*	Total
Animal products	409		4	0		144	1	558
Vegetable products	2,636	726	122	168	270	678	9	4,609
Fats and edible fats and oils	5,803	600	387	16	1,687	252		8,745
Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco	18,186	5,479	989	583	3,734	2,696	318	31,985
Mineral products	605	25		209		48	158	1,045
Products of the chemical industries	22,373	10,576	53	5,543	709	937	156	40,347
Plastics and rubber and articles thereof	14,049	832	6	514	247	1,902	112	17,662
Raw hides and skins, leather, furskins and articles thereof	580	275	0	50	6	43		955
Wood and articles of wood	448	1	0	1	36	95		580
Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	7,716	727	10	623	84	1,277	58	10,494
Textiles and textile articles	2,078	909	31	314	29	369	142	3,873
Footwear, headgear, prepared feather	283	66		1		57		407
Articles of stone, plaster, cement; glass and glassware	1,552	481	1	17	106	326		2,483
Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals and articles thereof (Excluding unworked diamonds, silver and gold Ingots)	16,471	1,322		412	928	214		19,346
Base metals and articles of base metal	5,326	6,624	33	6,592	39	2,761	178	21,554
Machinery and electrical equipment	24,920	1,743	279	607	394	8,966	105	37,015
Transport equipment	471	1,147	8	1	42	469		2,139
Optical, measuring, medical, and musical instruments; clocks and watches	715	303		75	102	59	12	1,265
Arms and ammunition								
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	5,171	508	13	188	127	2,682	14	8,703
<b>Total</b>	<b>129,793</b>	<b>32,346</b>	<b>1,936</b>	<b>15,913</b>	<b>8,540</b>	<b>23,975</b>	<b>1,262</b>	<b>213,764</b>

All the above figures are in thousands of US dollars.

\* "other" Includes exported goods to the duty free market and those that are supplied to ships and aircraft.

**Table 13: Distribution of the industrial exports according to the main importing countries during December 2018**

Export destination Country	United Arab Emirates	Saudi Arabia	Syria	Iraq	Qatar	Algeria	Egypt	Jordan
Value in thousands of USD	23,951	21,042	18,838	14,972	10,882	10,215	8,514	7,604

Export destination Country	Turkey	Italy	Spain	United States Of America	Ivory Coast	France	Nigeria	Kuwait
Value in thousands of USD	7,095	6,784	6,684	5,526	4,389	4,161	4,077	3,917

Export destination Country	Republic of Korea	Greece	Congo	Netherlands	Canada	Germany	United Kingdom	Oman
Value in thousands of USD	3,839	3,704	2,600	2,385	2,171	2,148	2,067	1,989

**Table 14: Distribution of importing countries according to countries groups and the value of exports during December 2018**

Exports Value (in million USD)	Arab Countries	European Countries	Oceania Countries	Non-Arab Asian countries	American Countries	Non-Arab African countries	Total
]0-1[	4	38	6	25	25	37	135
[1-5[	7	5	1	3	1	5	22
[5-10[	2	2		1	1		6
[10-15[	3						3
More than 15 million USD	3						3
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>169</b>

**Table 15: Distribution of the industrial exports according to product and to the main importing countries during December 2018**

<b>Animal products</b>	Qatar	Iraq	Kuwait	Nigeria	Ivory Coast	Saudi Arabia	United Arab Emirates	Ghana
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	176	119	66	55	53	25	21	12

<b>Vegetable products</b>	Saudi Arabia	Qatar	United Arab Emirates	Jordan	Ivory Coast	Tunisia	Germany	Iraq
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	507	398	379	341	320	278	267	224

<b>Fats and edible fats and oils</b>	Algeria	United States Of America	Canada	Syria	Australia	United Arab Emirates	Netherlands	Kuwait
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	4,070	925	665	603	387	291	269	231

<b>Mineral products</b>	Syria	China	Other	Iraq	Saudi Arabia	Netherlands	Guinea	United Kingdom
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	527	209	158	43	30	17	10	9

<b>Plastics and rubber and articles thereof</b>	Syria	Saudi Arabia	Algeria	Qatar	Egypt	United Arab Emirates	Morocco	Ivory Coast
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	8,409	1,051	912	848	625	486	467	411

<b>Raw hides and skins, leather, furskins and articles thereof</b>	United Arab Emirates	Oman	United Kingdom	Finland	Egypt	Italy	Turkey	Nigeria
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	283	173	79	70	40	39	37	31

<b>Wood and articles of wood</b>	United Arab Emirates	Qatar	Saudi Arabia	Syria	Jordan	Guinea	Liberia	Oman
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	118	105	66	59	50	33	30	28

<b>Paper and paperboard and articles thereof</b>	Saudi Arabia	Syria	Qatar	Jordan	Egypt	Iraq	Morocco	Bahrain
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	1,327	972	883	855	819	488	471	431

<b>Textiles and textile articles</b>	United Arab Emirates	Italy	Jordan	Saudi Arabia	Germany	Qatar	Syria	Angola
<b>Value in 1000 of USD</b>	532	474	457	349	251	241	169	150

**Table 15: (continued) Distribution of the industrial exports according to product and the main importing countries during December 2018**

Footwear, headgear, prepared feather	Saudi Arabia	United Arab Emirates	Ivory Coast	France	Poland	Bahrain	Qatar	Equatorial Guinea
Value in 1000 of USD	186	59	34	34	25	17	12	8

Articles of stone, plaster, cement; glass and glassware	Saudi Arabia	Belgium	Qatar	Oman	United Arab Emirates	Congo	Sudan	United States Of America
Value in 1000 of USD	614	379	250	135	134	128	115	100

Machinery and electrical equipment	Syria	Iraq	Algeria	Saudi Arabia	Egypt	Qatar	Nigeria	United Arab Emirates
Value in 1000 of USD	5,307	5,186	3,872	2,440	2,268	2,059	1,904	1,558

Transport equipment	France	Spain	Netherlands	Ivory Coast	Libya	Nigeria	Congo	United Arab Emirates
Value in 1000 of USD	421	382	250	188	146	125	78	75

Optical, measuring, medical, and musical instruments; clocks and watches	Iraq	United Arab Emirates	Switzerland	Italy	United States Of America	Syria	Hong Kong	Upper Volta
Value in 1000 of USD	415	166	126	118	95	83	72	39

Miscellaneous manufactured articles	Qatar	Saudi Arabia	Ivory Coast	Djibouti	Algeria	Angola	Egypt	Namibia
Value in 1000 of USD	1,389	1,244	841	829	482	436	336	308



**Table 16: Distribution of industrial exports, according to the main exported goods and main importing countries during December 2018**

Country Exported to	United Arab Emirates	Saudi Arabia	Syrian Arab Republic	Iraq	Algeria	Qatar	Egypt	Jordan	Turkey	Italy	Total	Goods' total export value	% of the Goods' total export value
Products of the chemical industries	4,607	3,767	1,318	5,012	419	1,124	317	2,442	5,354	5,219	29,579	40,347	73.3%
Machinery and electrical equipment	1,558	2,440	5,307	5,186	3,872	2,059	2,268	1,006	186	21	23,904	37,015	64.6%
Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals and articles thereof	12,219	3,864				121	32	229	19	212	16,695	19,346	86.3%
Prepared foodstuffs and tobacco	2,225	4,863	505	2,443		2,124	2,055	1,204	327	102	15,848	31,985	49.6%
Plastics and rubber and articles thereof	486	1,051	8,409	342	912	848	625	305	200	143	13,321	17,662	75.4%
Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	383	1,327	972	488	359	883	819	855	38	3	6,127	10,494	58.4%
Base metals and articles of base metal	336	446	432	326	27	1,044	1,829	363	590	389	5,783	21,554	26.8%
Fats and edible fats and oils	291	221	603	87	4,070	95		87		4	5,458	8,745	62.4%
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	77	1,244	108	178	482	1,389	336	149	45	42	4,051	8,703	46.6%
Vegetable products	379	507	203	224	34	398	16	341	168	1	2,273	4,609	49.3%
Total	22,562	19,730	17,857	14,287	10,176	10,085	8,297	6,981	6,927	6,136	123,038	200,459	61.4%
% of the total exports	10.6%	9.2%	8.4%	6.7%	4.8%	4.7%	3.9%	3.3%	3.2%	2.9%	57.6%	93.8%	

*All the above figures are in thousands of dollars*

**Table 17: Imports of industrial machinery and equipment during years 2016-2017-2018**

Month	Year 2016	Year 2017	Year 2018	Variation in % 2016/2018	Variation in % 2017/2018
January	25.3	21.0	24.0	-4.9%	14.7%
February	17.3	10.7	18.8	8.3%	75.6%
March	25.1	20.2	28.2	12.4%	39.5%
April	22.8	18.0	31.1	36.4%	72.5%
May	20.5	23.1	25.2	22.6%	9.1%
June	20.0	22.2	23.7	18.3%	6.7%
July	16.8	21.8	18.3	8.9%	-16.2%
August	19.0	27.0	27.6	44.9%	2.0%
September	16.2	30.1	13.5	-16.9%	-55.2%
October	14.5	22.4	24.5	68.2%	9.0%
November	20.0	17.6	15.3	-23.4%	-13.4%
December	17.9	23.2	16.3	-8.8%	-29.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>235.5</b>	<b>257.4</b>	<b>266.4</b>	<b>13.1%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>

*All above figures are in Millions of USD*



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**Table 18: Imports of industrial equipment and machinery according to exporting country for the year 2018**

Country	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total in Thousands of \$	%
China	3,308.2	3,149.7	3,407.3	2,695.5	3,067.3	2,830.1	4,553.5	3,423.3	3,130.6	2,506.9	2,992.3	3,571.2	<b>38,635.8</b>	14.51%
Germany	4,847.0	4,275.1	3,507.1	5,960.9	1,804.7	9,367.5	1,702.9	4,379.9	1,427.0	6,908.5	1,900.6	3,274.7	<b>49,355.9</b>	18.53%
Italy	7,383.8	4,464.2	13,144.9	14,286.6	13,087.9	5,175.6	4,080.1	4,570.5	4,100.6	5,938.6	3,549.8	2,862.5	<b>82,645.3</b>	31.03%
Turkey	1,745.2	684.8	1,599.0	1,374.8	1,261.4	957.7	982.7	1,101.3	985.7	1,068.8	2,085.8	1,355.2	<b>15,233.4</b>	5.72%
France	493.4	335.7	1,127.2	1,208.4	860.8	688.5	406.3	724.1	399.4	623.2	415.4	774.6	<b>8,056.9</b>	3.02%
United Kingdom	328.4	375.2	182.9	181.2	344.5	294.4	446.7	277.8	239.8	232.5	511.0	443.4	<b>3,857.7</b>	1.45%
Taiwan	246.8	448.0	179.4	298.4	96.9	227.9	284.4	146.3	446.8	276.6	41.5	399.2	<b>3,094.1</b>	1.16%
Netherlands	309.1	112.1	235.7	131.0	69.2	362.1	35.3	182.4	36.6	231.6	33.4	348.8	<b>2,087.2</b>	0.78%
Thailand	323.6	218.6	37.5	250.7	209.4	11.5	222.6	234.9	51.2	362.2	12.6	325.6	<b>2,260.4</b>	0.85%
Japan	44.3	89.9	319.7	350.9	48.2	142.7	164.0	81.9	139.9	146.7	130.9	301.9	<b>1,960.9</b>	0.74%
Malaysia	358.0	395.9	421.1	282.5	428.6	200.3	635.3	265.5	84.4	105.0	310.4	298.3	<b>3,785.3</b>	1.42%
Switzerland	90.3	126.7	99.3	95.5	174.7	253.3	750.5	121.8	175.7	289.8	147.5	287.5	<b>2,602.5</b>	0.98%
United States	1,434.2	661.3	505.9	650.7	1,351.9	693.0	1,094.2	3,576.8	383.5	769.7	869.8	269.8	<b>12,260.6</b>	4.60%
Korean Republic	56.2	106.8	93.0	122.7	80.4	55.8	46.8	162.5	72.7	121.4	73.9	179.8	<b>1,172.0</b>	0.44%
Spain	188.3	191.2	155.7	273.5	316.4	478.0	862.2	307.1	196.8	1,116.5	494.9	147.0	<b>4,727.6</b>	1.77%
Slovenia	24.6	1.7	1.9	3.6	7.9	0.6	1.0	0.4	2.7	0.4	135.6	179.9	<b>179.9</b>	0.07%
Belgium	75.0	29.3	70.6	179.6	177.3	34.2	179.3	29.8	30.9	23.1	45.4	131.6	<b>1,006.1</b>	0.38%
Denmark	122.0	36.5	108.1	114.6	103.4	65.6	35.9	66.7	25.9	173.8	17.6	131.1	<b>1,001.1</b>	0.38%
Austria	189.6	887.7	59.7	23.9	90.9	242.8	233.8	140.3	63.9	1,595.9	79.9	127.2	<b>3,736.6</b>	1.40%
Sweden	75.6	171.4	263.2	92.8	115.5	228.5	69.2	202.7	46.2	192.6	64.7	125.4	<b>1,647.8</b>	0.62%
India	198.6	82.9	252.3	96.8	22.6	178.6	622.3	110.8	34.2	249.6	75.1	119.8	<b>2,043.6</b>	0.77%
Ireland	0.5	22.5	4.0	1.5	6.7	14.8	1.0	0.1	0.6	8.5	108.6	92.9	<b>168.8</b>	0.06%
Greece	402.8	35.9	147.5	107.0	93.3	23.2	128.1	106.3	39.9	159.6	167.8	92.9	<b>1,504.1</b>	0.56%
Czech Republic	73.0	21.4	60.9	54.2	119.7	35.3	23.1	93.8	21.1	15.5	52.9	49.6	<b>620.2</b>	0.23%
Vietnam	0.3	100.8	58.6	33.7	8.8	62.0	62.0	11.2	66.9	11.2	130.9	47.0	<b>328.3</b>	0.12%
Hungary	32.3	16.3	5.9	160.5	25.5	5.5	32.7	41.4	5.2	17.6	15.3	39.4	<b>397.4</b>	0.15%
Syrian Arab Republic	42.2	35.4	46.7	55.9	86.8	21.0	24.3	39.1	50.8	26.9	25.2	34.4	<b>488.6</b>	0.18%
Canada	14.3	57.0	33.5	23.1	31.1	22.7	15.6	12.5	46.8	17.5	497.0	30.3	<b>801.4</b>	0.30%
Poland	288.2	264.1	598.5	342.1	162.8	562.8	24.5	87.6	868.2	39.6	30.1	30.1	<b>3,283.3</b>	1.23%
Singapore	77.6	0.8	1.7	9.3	10.7	4.7	12.8	11.9	39.1	5.9	49.7	28.3	<b>213.6</b>	0.08%
Bulgary	91.8	3.3	26.2	81.0	20.6	128.8	91.8	105.1	105.1	155.1	155.1	28.0	<b>770.6</b>	0.29%
Brazil	0.2	1.8	78.3	71.6	93.9	48.2	101.5	0.5	4.7	3.1	76.6	27.1	<b>507.3</b>	0.19%
Morocco	10.7	10.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.8	14.7	23.1	23.1	<b>56.1</b>	0.02%
Luxembourg	24.3	362.7	2.9	875.4	79.7	0.0	1.6	13.3	13.3	22.0	22.0	22.0	<b>1,414.2</b>	0.53%
Mexico	90.4	42.0	39.9	156.5	31.1	69.1	95.5	83.2	14.8	106.9	32.6	21.2	<b>783.1</b>	0.29%
Jordan	611.3	739.4	2.8	44.3	5.0	2.5	12.1	15.1	0.8	1.1	1.1	18.1	<b>98.9</b>	0.04%
Portugal	193.1	39.3	31.3	237.2	294.4	28.1	0.2	5.8	23.4	25.7	25.7	15.1	<b>1,383.2</b>	0.51%
Slovakia	42.8	24.8	22.3	8.7	0.9	7.8	0.2	53.4	78.8	12.0	0.9	14.1	<b>440.4</b>	0.17%
United Arab Emirates	42.8	24.8	22.3	50.9	210.2	30.9	53.7	0.1	5.7	12.4	50.3	8.6	<b>512.7</b>	0.19%
Finland	2.1	1.8	25.8	6.1	3.4	3.4	1.3	87.3	1.9	0.7	6.3	6.3	<b>136.8</b>	0.05%
Romania	25.3	3.1	9.9	21.8	1.4	23.8	36.8	6,616.3	1.8	7.5	0.3	6.2	<b>6,754.1</b>	2.54%
Australia	104.6	48.8	13.3	59.2	18.4	106.4	1.1	8.5	684.2	39.1	5.0	5.0	<b>1,099.7</b>	0.41%
Philippines	9.2	4.3	2.5	7.3	0.0	0.0	0.9	2.6	5.1	1.5	0.3	4.5	<b>38.2</b>	0.01%
Lithuania	12.5			7.5	1.5	1.5	1.5					2.9	<b>24.3</b>	0.01%
Indonesia			5.3	0.8	0.0	0.2	1.8	2.0	0.1	12.5	14.5		<b>39.8</b>	0.01%
Russia		6.0										2.0	<b>8.0</b>	0.00%
Cyprus	14.7	9.2	0.1		7.2	22.0	104.5	4.2	4.2			1.5	<b>163.4</b>	0.06%
Egypt	9.1	49.3	20.8	4.0	0.2	1.5	22.8	3.4	1.1	1.6	6.8	1.2	<b>121.9</b>	0.05%
Hong Kong	0.7	1.2		0.6	3.0	2.0	1.8	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.5	<b>14.0</b>	0.01%
Serbia	2.3	6.8		1.1	2.7	0.2	6.3		0.0	1.8			<b>21.2</b>	0.01%
Ethiopia												0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.00%
Kuwait					0.5	0.5		1.0		0.3		0.3	<b>2.5</b>	0.00%
Bosnia & Herzegovina		4.3	0.3			0.6		0.3		110.2		0.1	<b>115.9</b>	0.04%
Cameroon												0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.00%
Norway		0.2	752.4						50.9		1.6		<b>805.1</b>	0.30%
Estonia			386.8	0.3		0.1	6.6						<b>393.7</b>	0.15%
Iran	23.1	10.0	21.8		1.0	17.2	32.1		24.0	60.7			<b>190.0</b>	0.07%
Saudi Arabia		0.3					34.0	0.8			33.8		<b>67.1</b>	0.03%
South Africa				6.7	39.0	36.5	1.5	0.3			0.1		<b>84.1</b>	0.03%
Croatia	0.0		10.8	26.2	17.4				13.6	0.1			<b>68.0</b>	0.03%
Ecuador					37.7								<b>37.7</b>	0.01%
Cote d'Ivoire	7.0			23.9									<b>30.9</b>	0.01%
Tunisia									0.2	28.5	0.0		<b>28.7</b>	0.01%
Ukraine				7.4	0.0	15.3	1.8			3.4			<b>27.9</b>	0.01%
Pakistan						11.7		2.4		1.3			<b>15.4</b>	0.01%
Guatemala											14.9		<b>14.9</b>	0.01%
Miscellaneous								13.6					<b>13.6</b>	0.01%
Georgia		7.6					0.6						<b>8.2</b>	0.00%
Argentina												7.2	<b>7.2</b>	0.00%
Dominican Republic		4.1							2.5	0.2			<b>6.7</b>	0.00%
Montenegro			4.1			0.1					0.8		<b>5.1</b>	0.00%
New Zealand				2.0				2.3					<b>4.3</b>	0.00%
Suriname								4.0					<b>4.0</b>	0.00%
Costa Rica								0.4		2.0			<b>2.6</b>	0.00%
San Marin								2.3					<b>2.3</b>	0.00%
Lao People's Dem Republic				1.7					0.5				<b>2.2</b>	0.00%
Sierra Leone													<b>2.2</b>	0.00%
Swaziland				0.7	1.8			0.1		1.1	0.4		<b>1.9</b>	0.00%
El Salvador				1.8									<b>1.8</b>	0.00%
Madagascar				0.4	0.4				0.5				<b>1.3</b>	0.00%
Armenia				1.3									<b>1.3</b>	0.00%
New Caledonia							1.0						<b>1.0</b>	0.00%
Latvia						0.8							<b>0.8</b>	0.00%
Dominica									0.6				<b>0.6</b>	0.00%
North Korea											0.4		<b>0.4</b>	0.00%
Liechtenstein			0.2	0.3									<b>0.3</b>	0.00%
Malta													<b>0.2</b>	0.00%
Paraguay							0.1						<b>0.1</b>	0.00%
Belarus				0.1		0.0							<b>0.1</b>	0.00%
Colombia								0.0					<b>0.0</b>	0.00%
<b>Total in Thousands of \$</b>	<b>24,030.6</b>	<b>18,772.5</b>	<b>28,167.7</b>	<b>31,099.0</b>	<b>25,174.9</b>	<b>23,692.9</b>	<b>18,298.6</b>	<b>27,580.9</b>	<b>13,489.1</b>	<b>24,454.8</b>	<b>15,286.6</b>	<b>16,311.5</b>	<b>266,359.1</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

**Table 19: Imports of industrial equipment and machinery according to industrial activity<sup>2</sup> and country during December 2018**

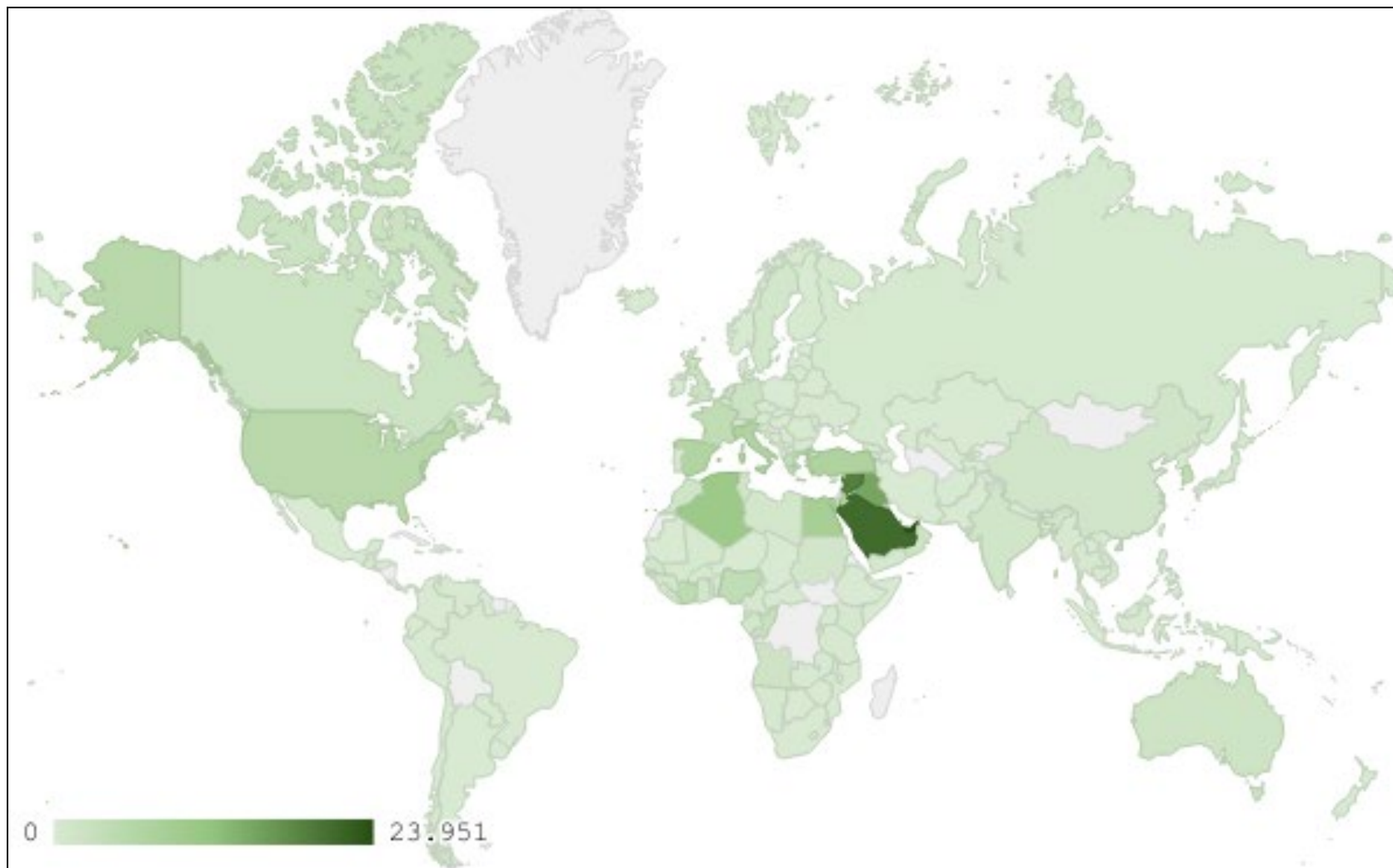
Exporting Country	Machines for Food Industry	Machines for Printing and Binding	Machines for Paper and Cardboard Industry	Machines for Metal Products Industry	Machines for the Medical Industry	Machines for Rubber and Plastics Industry	Machines Used in Packaging	Equipment for Automatic Machines Industry	Machines for Recording and Copying video Cassettes and	Machines for Clothing and Textiles Industry	Machines for Chemical Industry	Equipment for the manufacture of machinery	Machines for Leather and Shoes Industry	Machines for Building Stones Industry	Machines for Animal Feed Industry	Other	Total In Thousand of \$
China	273.4	23.4	509.0	454.5	29.7	272.8	95.2	52.6	223.0	231.8	96.7		15.9			1,293.2	3,571.2
Germany	179.4	1,848.7	27.4	113.9	325.1	4.9	11.2		0.6	31.4	1.3			1.0		730.0	3,274.7
Italy	917.1	4.0	53.1	18.7	80.6	103.6	368.9	11.3		0.9	29.1					1,275.2	2,862.5
Turkey	89.9	0.1	7.1	130.9	0.6	51.3	39.0		0.4	4.1					0.5	1,061.3	1,385.2
France	20.4				178.8	14.3				0.5						560.6	774.6
United Kingdom	351.1		2.7	0.1	5.6				0.2	2.3						81.3	443.4
Taiwan, Province of china			324.9			52.5		5.7	3.5	0.1						12.6	399.2
Netherlands	173.5					169.7										5.6	348.8
Thailand																325.6	325.6
Japan	4.9			2.7	29.1	2.4	11.7		36.6	2.6		120.1				91.8	301.9
Malaysia								132.7	1.4							164.2	298.3
Switzerland	25.6	23.9	13.5	55.1		3.8	7.0									158.6	287.5
United States Of America	54.3	0.1	15.0		18.2	3.2		0.1	3.9	6.6	0.1					168.3	269.8
Republic of Korea	2.5				21.0	40.8		11.4	17.5	1.8						84.8	179.8
Spain	14.0		17.2			2.7	20.9									92.2	147.0
Slovenia	32.0				90.5											13.0	135.6
Belgium	18.4	9.2	58.3		0.6		0.1									45.1	131.6
Denmark	3.0					3.9			1.7	3.7						118.9	131.1
Austria	1.8	0.4														125.0	127.2
Sweden	0.2			19.7	0.0		57.5									47.9	125.4
India	11.7			13.9	27.6				0.4							66.1	119.8
Ireland					0.6			104.1								3.9	108.6
Greece	7.5															85.4	92.9
Czech Republic				21.2												28.4	49.6
Viet Nam								47.0									47.0
Hungary																39.2	39.2
Syria	17.2			10.2			0.3									6.7	34.4
Canada	9.2															21.1	30.3
Poland	0.1			13.9												16.1	30.1
Singapore									26.6							1.7	28.3
Bulgaria																28.0	28.0
Brazil	25.7															1.4	27.1
Morocco								23.1									23.1
Luxembourg																22.3	22.3
Mexico	16.9				2.1											2.1	21.2
Jordan																18.1	18.1
Portugal							0.4									14.7	15.1
Slovakia																14.1	14.1
United Arab Emirates		1.5														7.1	8.6
Finland																6.3	6.3
Romania	3.8															2.4	6.2
Australia						5.0											5.0
Philippines					4.5												4.5
Lithuania	0.5									2.4							2.9
Indonesia									0.5							2.1	2.6
Russian Federation																2.0	2.0
Cyprus																1.5	1.5
Egypt																1.2	1.2
Hong Kong																0.4	0.4
Serbia	0.3																0.3
Ethiopia					0.3												0.3
Kuwait				0.3													0.3
Bosnia and Herzegovina																0.1	0.1
Cameroon																0.1	0.1
Total In Thousand of \$	2,254.5	1,911.3	1,028.2	855.1	815.1	730.7	612.0	388.0	316.2	288.2	127.2	120.1	15.9	1.0	0.5	6,847.6	16,311.5

<sup>2</sup> The machineries and equipment are classified in this table according to the industrial sectors that are used in, while heading "other" includes machineries and equipment that can be used in various sectors.

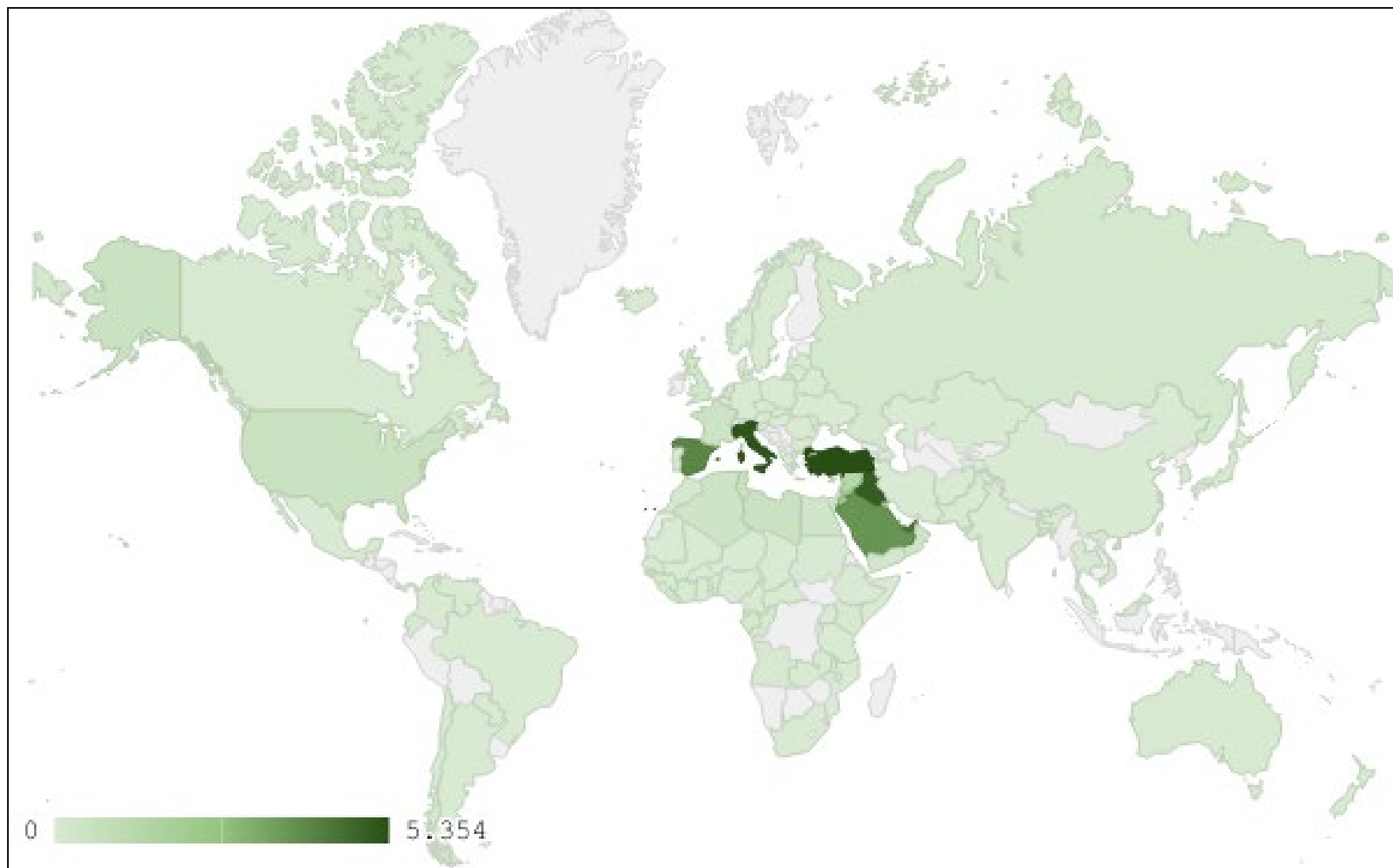
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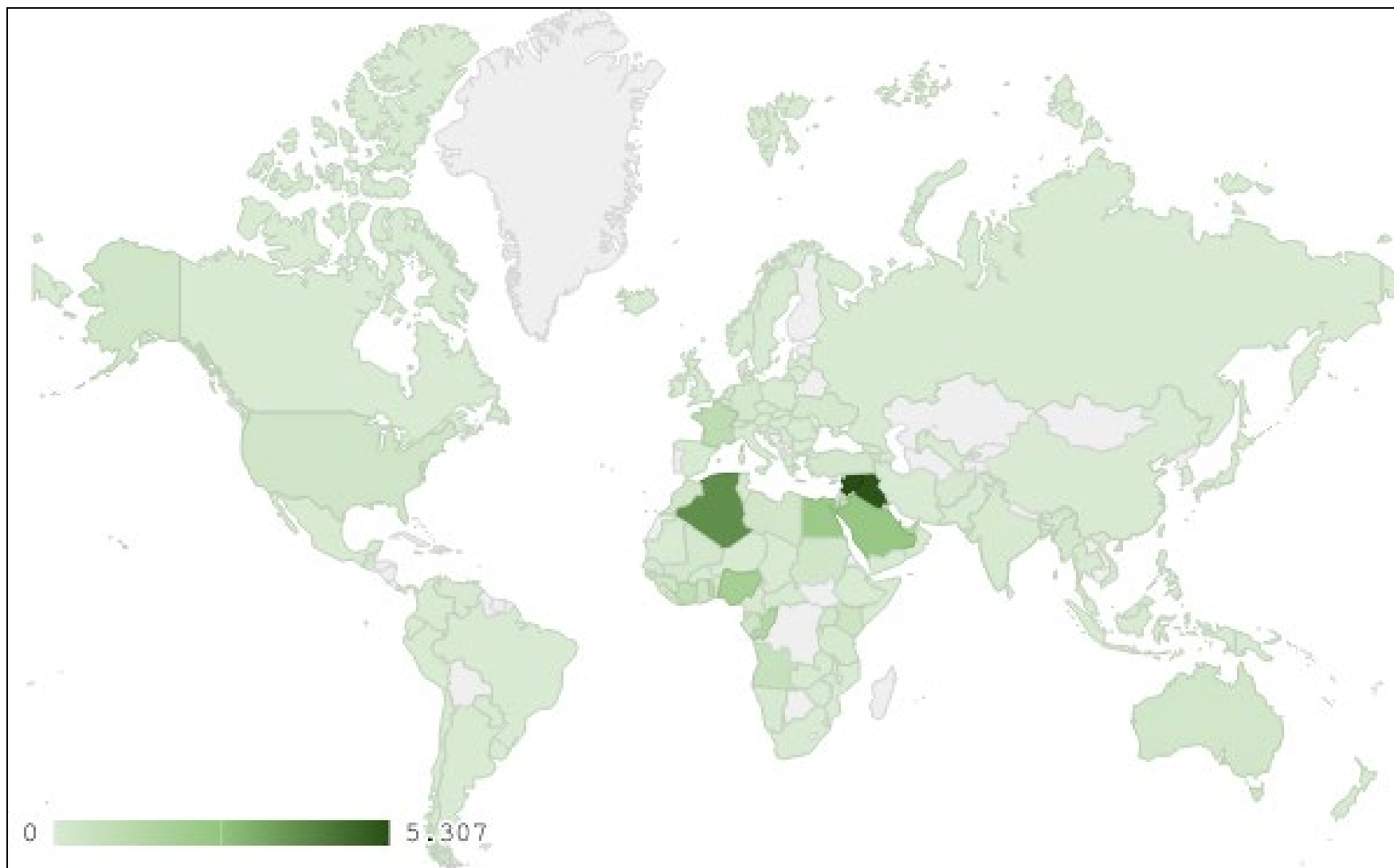
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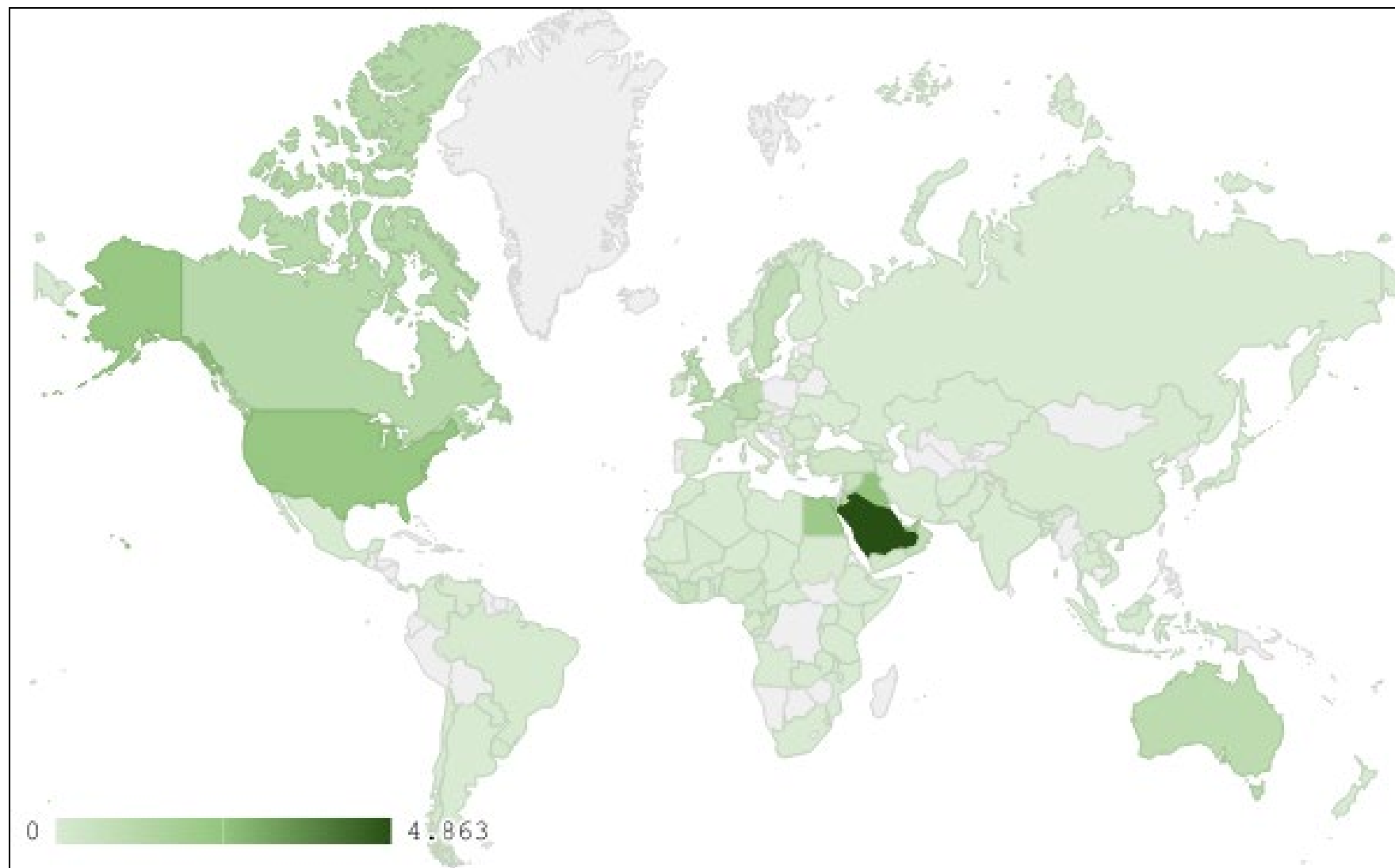
**Map 1: Distribution of industrial exports during December 2018**



**Map 2: Exports of products of the chemical industries during December 2018**



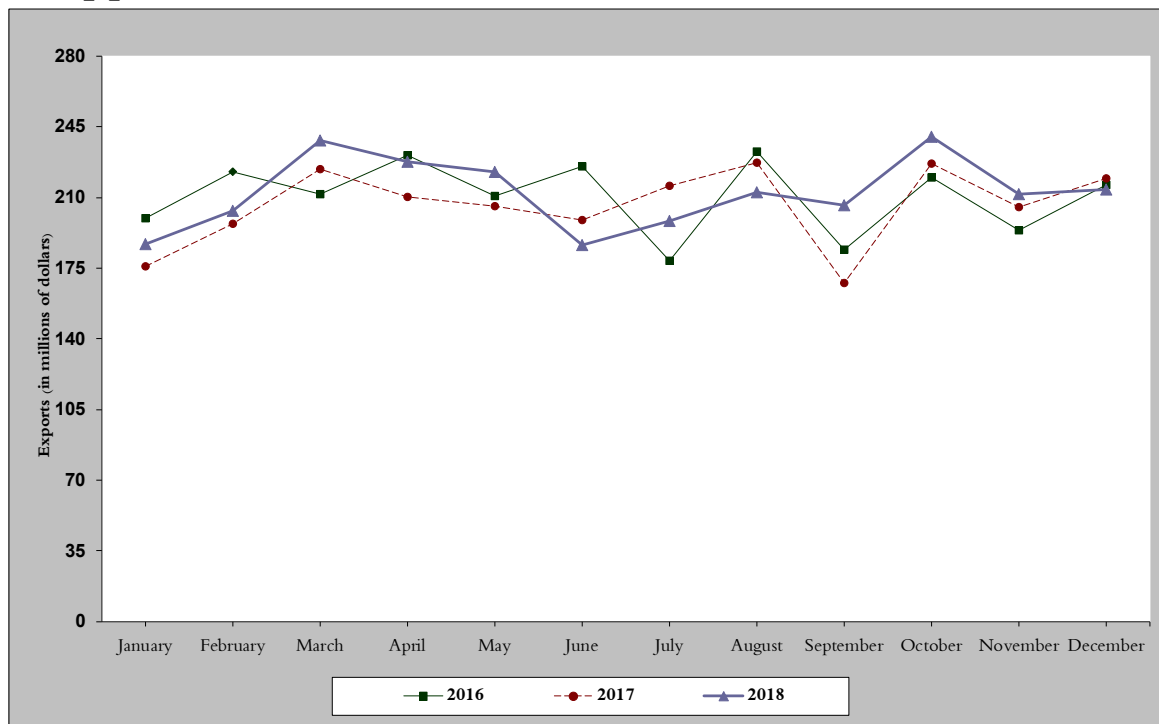
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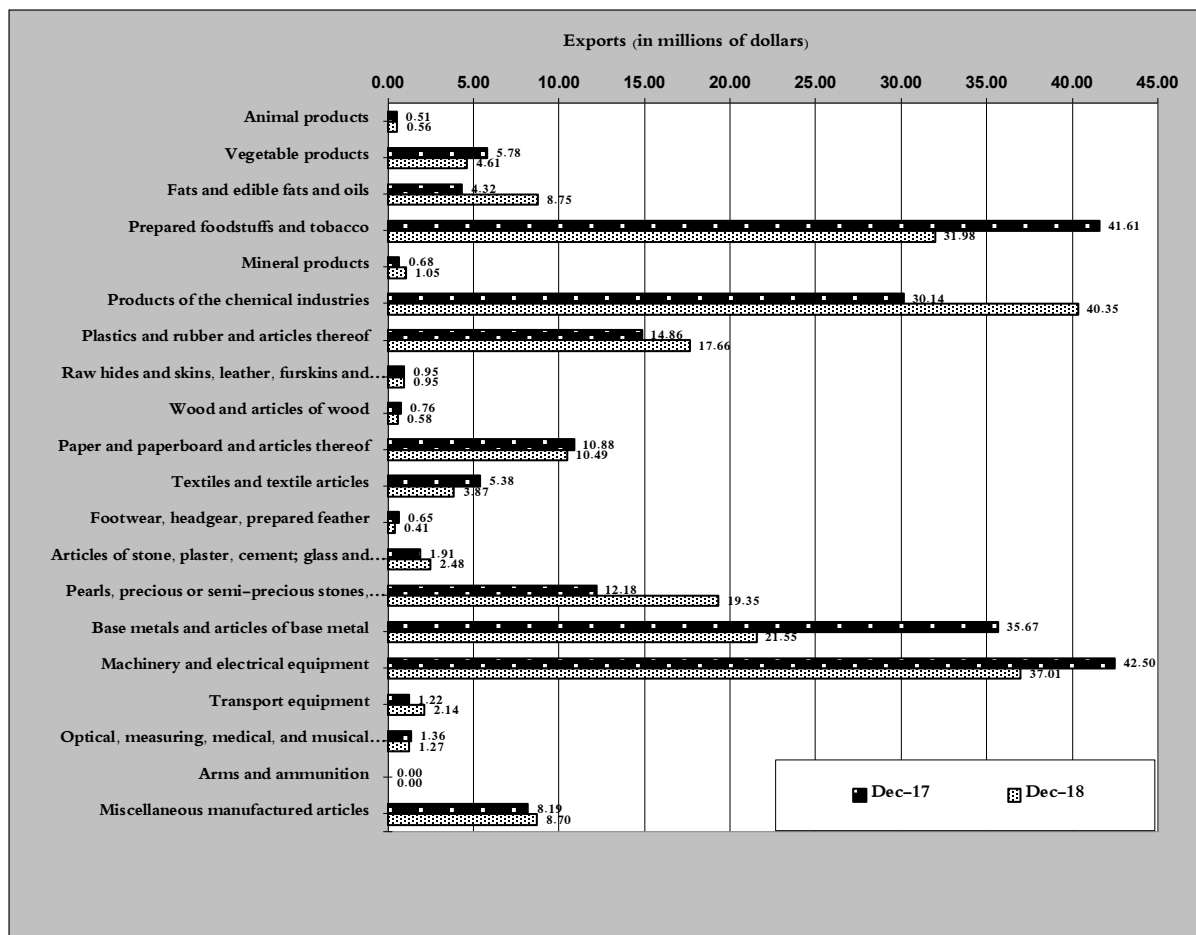
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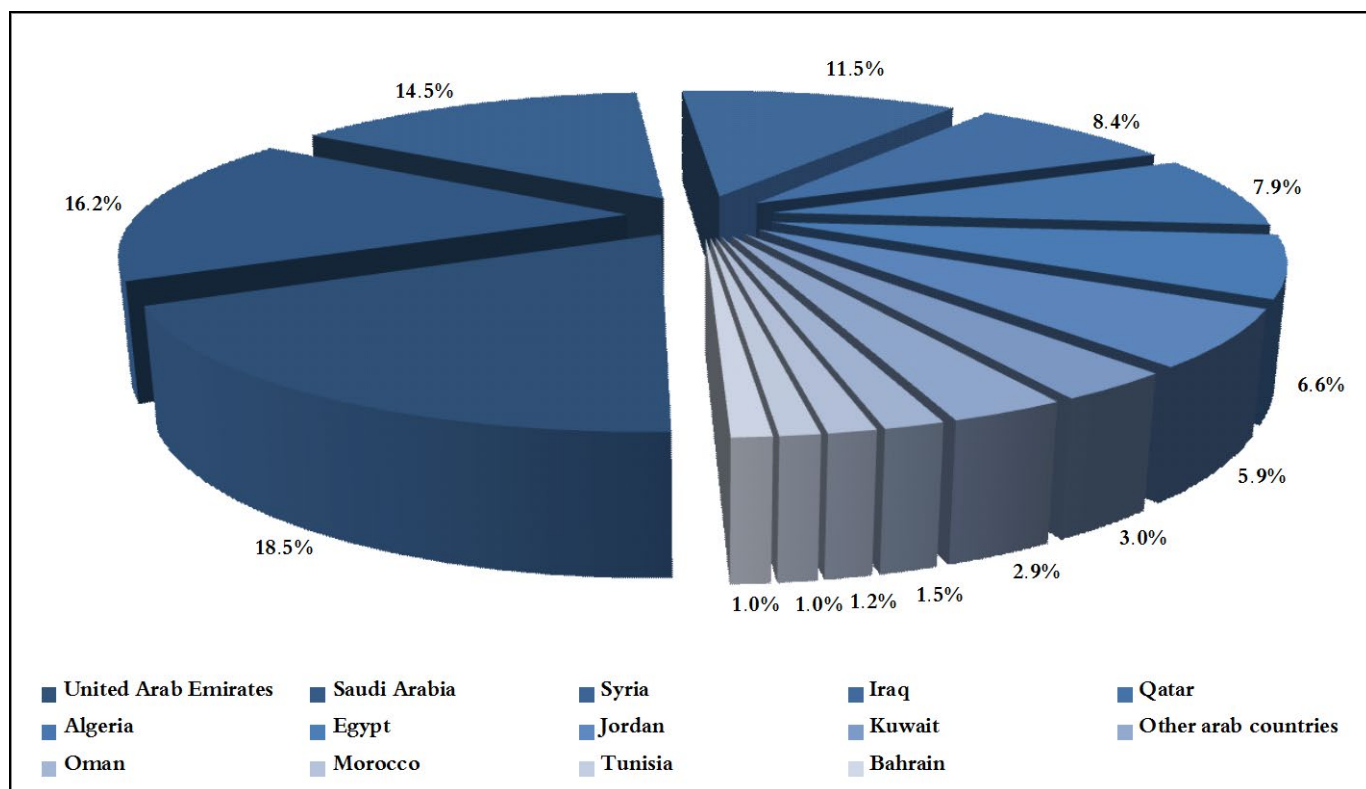
## VI. Appendix charts



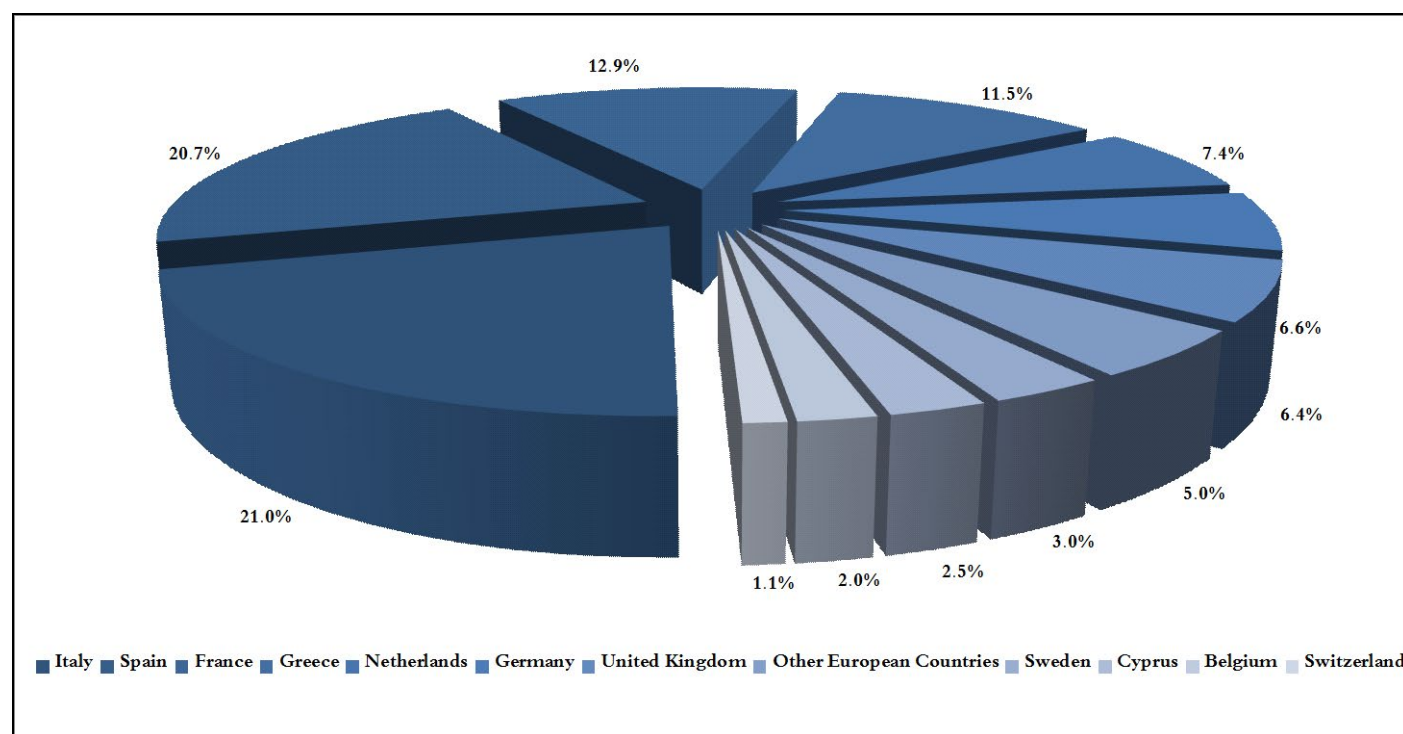
**Chart 1: Industrial exports during years 2016-2017-2018**



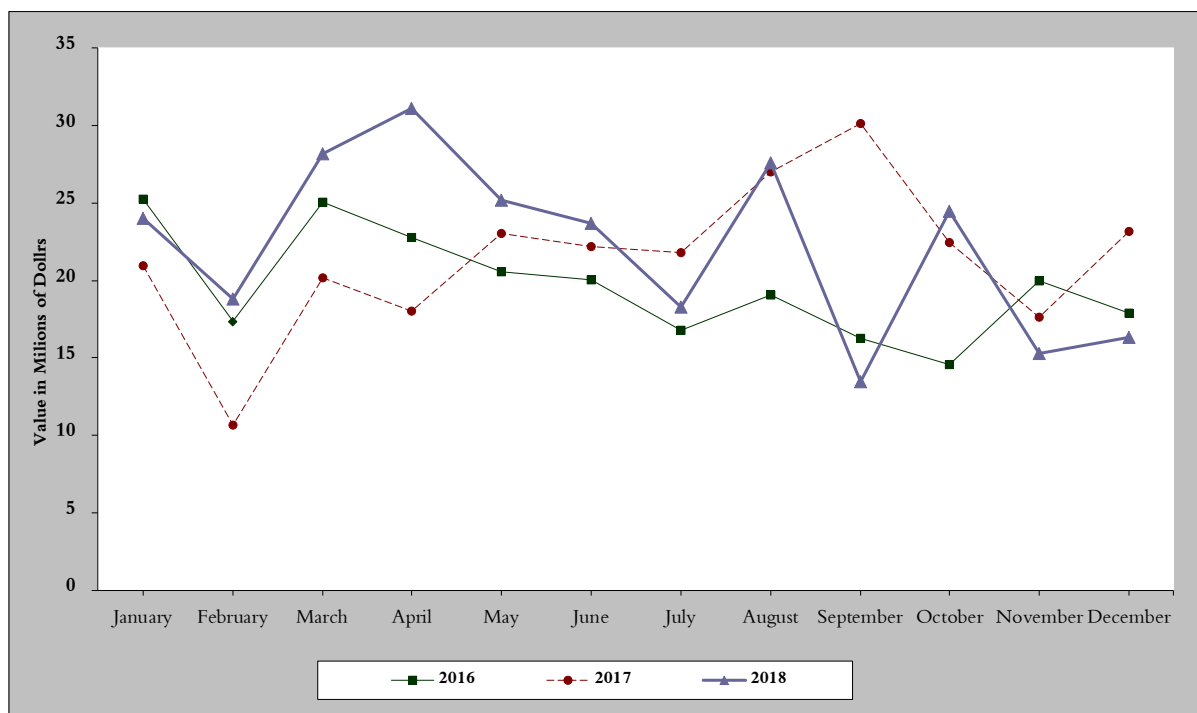
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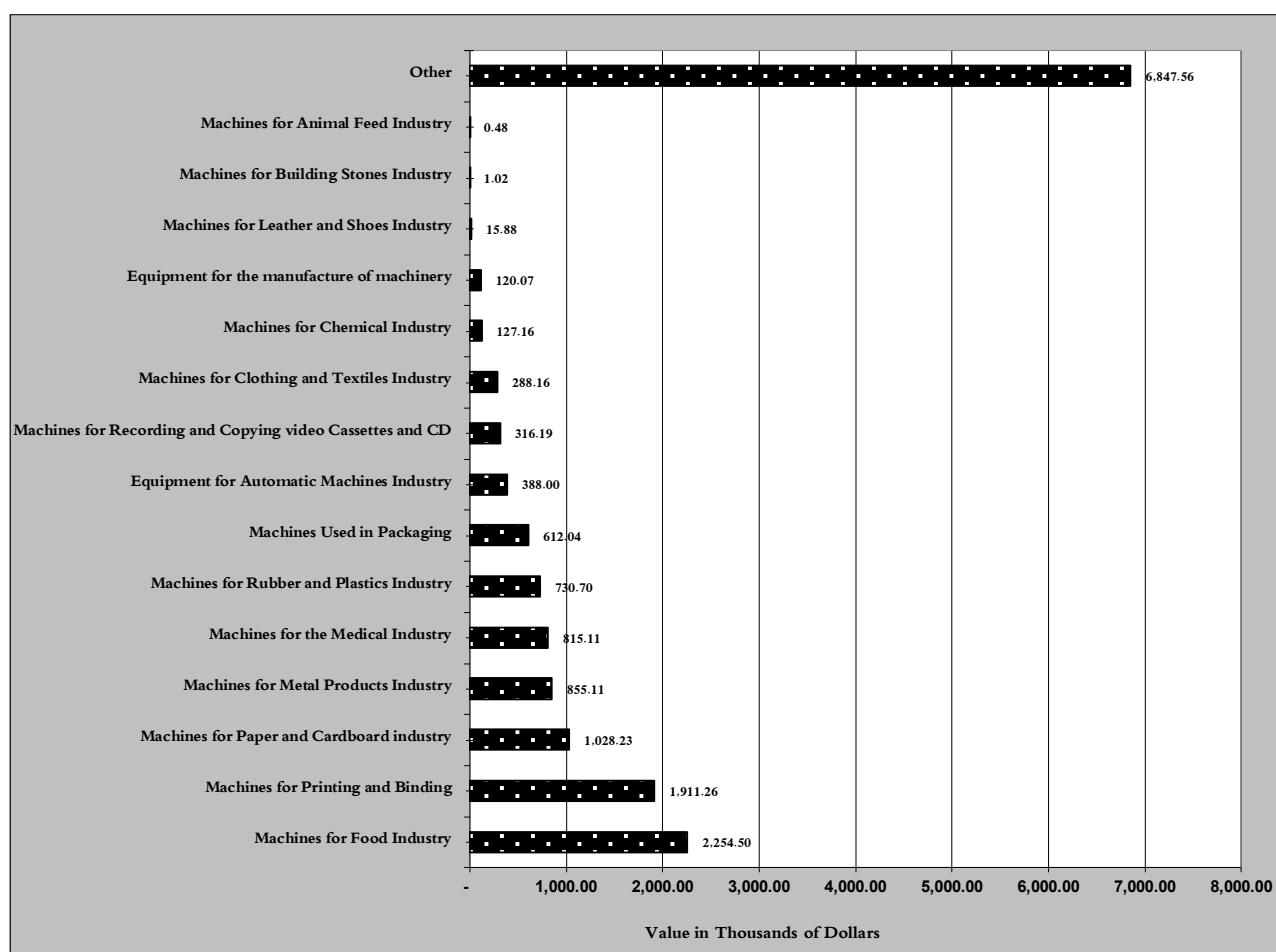
**Chart 3: Distribution of industrial exports to Arab countries during December 2018**



**Chart 4: Distribution of industrial exports to European countries during December 2018**



**Chart 5: Imports of industrial machinery and equipment during years 2016-2017-2018**



**Chart 6: Imports of industrial equipment and machinery according to industrial activity during December 2018**