



## BELGIUM



### GENERAL INFORMATION:

<b>Member Trade Bloc</b>	:	EU
<b>Location</b>	:	Western Europe
<b>Capital</b>	:	Brussels
<b>Surface area</b>	:	30,280 sq km
<b>Official language</b>	:	Dutch 60%, French 40%
<b>Population</b>	:	11.4 million (2017)
<b>Port &amp; Harbors</b>	:	Antwerp (one of the world busiest ports), Brugge, Gent, Hasselt, Liege, Mons, Namur, Oostende

KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
GDP (US\$ bn):	521.1	531.9	455.4	468.1	494.7
GDP per capita (US\$)	46,785.0	47,574.2	40,528.5	41,388.3	43,582.2
Real GDP growth (% change YOY)	0.2	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.7
Goods & services exports (%GDP)	81.7	82.7	80.8	82.9	85.1
Inflation (% change YOY)	1.2	0.5	0.6	1.8	2.2
Unemployment rate (%)	8.5	8.6	8.5	7.9	7.2
Total Exports (US\$ bn)	511.5	472.2	397.7	398.0	430.0
Total Imports (US\$ bn)	488.5	452.8	371.0	372.7	406.4

**GDP - COMPOSITION :** Agriculture: 0.7%, Industry: 21.8%, and Services: 77.5

**MAJOR INDUSTRIES :** Engineering and metal products, motor vehicle assembly, transportation equipment, scientific instruments, processed food and beverages, chemicals, basic metals, textiles, glass, petroleum

### MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS OF BELGIUM (2017)

<b>Major Export Destinations</b>	:	Germany	16.6%
		France	14.9%
		Netherlands	12.0%
		<b>Pakistan</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>Major Import Sources</b>	:	Netherlands	17.2%
		Germany	13.8%
		France	9.5%
		<b>Pakistan</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

**BELGIUM'S MAIN ITEMS OF EXPORTS** : machinery and equipment, chemicals, diamonds, metals and metal products

**BELGIUM'S MAIN ITEMS OF IMPORTS** : raw materials, machinery and equipment, chemicals, raw diamonds, pharmaceuticals, foodstuffs, transportation equipment, oil products

**PAKISTAN'S TRADE WITH BELGIUM (MILLION US\$)**

YEAR	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	BALANCE OF TRADE	TOTAL EXPORT OF PAKISTAN	% SHARE IN TOTAL EXP.	TOTAL IMPORTS OF PAKISTAN	% SHARE IN TOTAL IMPORTS
2013	454.3	504.5	(50.2)	25,120.9	1.8	43,775.2	1.2
2014	476.8	426.4	50.3	24,722.2	1.9	47,544.9	0.9
2015	420.6	385.8	34.8	22,089.0	1.9	43,989.6	0.9
2016	464.3	473.1	(8.7)	20,533.8	2.3	46,998.3	1.0
2017	475.9	587.3	(111.4)	21,877.8	2.2	57,440.0	1.0

MAJOR ITEMS OF EXPORTS FROM PAKISTAN TO BELGIUM						MAJOR ITEMS OF IMPORTS IN PAKISTAN FROM BELGIUM					
Millions US\$											
Specific Commodity Description	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Specific Commodity Description	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Other made-up textile articles; sets; worn clothing and worn textile articles; rags	134.2	160.0	137.8	127.6	134.1	Pharmaceutical products	168.4	160.9	108.2	134.5	133.9
Cotton	56.6	58.9	58.0	65.3	74.2	Machinery, mechanical appliances, boilers; parts thereof	48.7	33.4	33.7	52.1	64.6
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	52.1	55.9	62.3	71.8	67.0	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral ...	32.9	1.9	25.3	2.5	64.0
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted	55.0	46.8	38.0	50.3	50.5	Iron and steel	68.1	61.1	34.9	46.5	63.4
Cereals	21.5	36.6	31.4	28.2	25.7	Commodities not elsewhere specified	31.2	25.6	42.7	81.4	56.3
% of Total Exports	70	75	78	74	74	% of Total Imports	69	66	63	67	65