

# Textile & Clothing Exports from Pakistan to EU

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The textile and clothing trade between the European Union (EU) and Pakistan is a vital part of their bilateral economic relationship. From 2019 to 2023, Pakistan solidified its position as a significant supplier of textiles and garments to the EU market. Here's a closer look at the key trends and statistics shaping this trade.

#### Pakistan's Textile and Clothing Exports to the EU27: A Multi-Billion Dollar Industry

In 2023, Pakistan exported textiles and clothing worth \$6.23 billion to the EU27. This marked a notable recovery following fluctuations during the pandemic years. The largest categories driving these exports included:

- 1. Home Textiles: Contributed \$2.06 billion, dominating the export landscape.
- 2. Knitted Garments: Reached \$1.66 billion.
- 3. Woven Garments: Accounted for \$1.63 billion.
- 4. Cotton Yarn and Fabrics: Contributed \$715 million.

These categories collectively highlight Pakistan's diverse and robust textile industry.

# Key EU Destinations for Pakistani Textiles in 2023

Pakistani textile products were widely distributed across EU countries, with Germany, Spain, and the Netherlands being the leading importers. Here's how the top destinations fared:

# **Home Textiles Exports**

- Germany: \$373.7 million
- Netherlands: \$351.3 million
- Italy: \$290 million

# **Knitted Garments Exports**

- Spain: \$430 million
- Netherlands: \$361.4 million
- Germany: \$333.5 million

#### **Woven Garments Exports**

- **Spain**: \$432.6 million
- Netherlands: \$311.3 million
- Germany: \$304.6 million

# **Top-Exported Products**

#### **Knitted Garments**

Key products included:

- Men's and boys' suits, trousers, and jackets: \$348.3 million.
- Jerseys, pullovers, and cardigans: \$266.9 million.
- Hosiery and socks: \$209.8 million.

#### **Woven Garments**

- Men's and boys' suits and trousers led the category with \$1.29 billion.
- Women's dresses, skirts, and trousers accounted for \$193.7 million.

# The Role of Sustainability in Trade

As the EU emphasizes sustainable trade practices, Pakistan has responded by modernizing its textile sector. Investments in sustainable production techniques and compliance with global environmental standards are critical to maintaining its market share.

# Conclusion

Pakistan's textile and clothing trade with the EU is a story of resilience, growth, and opportunity. By continuing to diversify its product offerings and meeting global sustainability standards, Pakistan is well-positioned to strengthen its foothold in the lucrative EU market.

For businesses and policymakers, these insights serve as a roadmap to explore the untapped potential of this vital trade relationship.

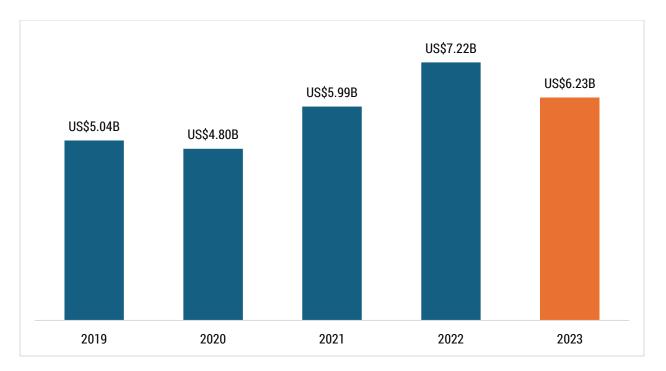


Figure 1 illustrates the monetary value (in US dollars) of Pakistani Textile and Clothing exports to EU27 between 2019 and 2023. Source: ITC

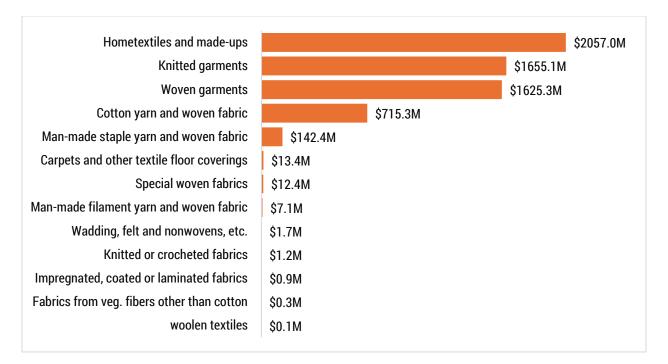


Figure 2 illustrates the monetary value (in US dollars) of different categories of Textile and Clothing exports from Pakistan to in 2023. Source: ITC

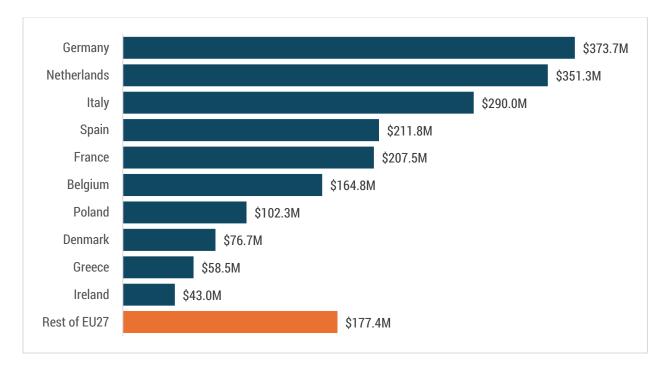


Figure 3 illustrates Pakistani home-textiles export (in US dollars) to the EU in 2023, by destination country. Source: ITC

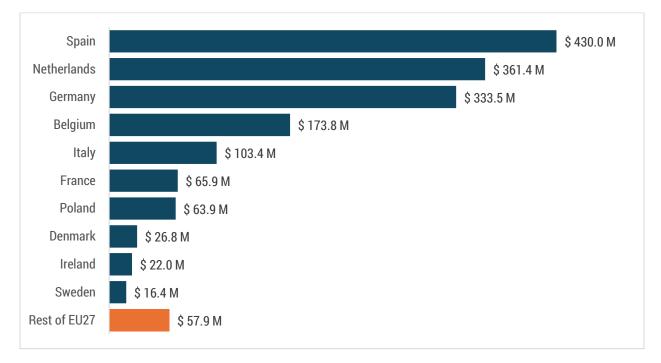


Figure 4 illustrates Pakistani knitted garment export (in US dollars) to the EU in 2023, by destination country. Source: ITC

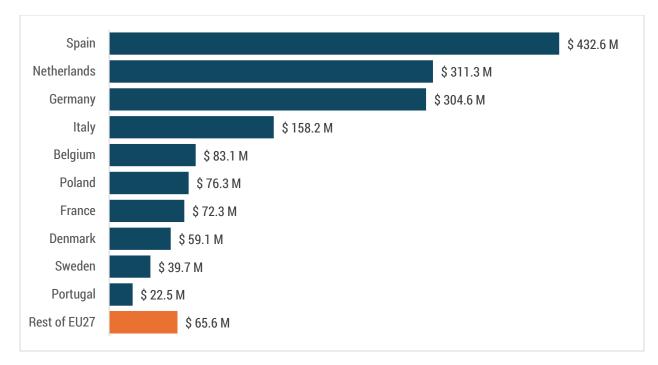


Figure 5 illustrates Pakistani woven garment export (in US dollars) to the EU in 2023, by destination country. Source: ITC



HS Code	Product label	US\$, '000
'6203	Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (excl. knitted or crocheted, wind-jackets and similar articles, separate waistcoats, tracksuits, ski suits and swimwear)	1,288,836
'6204	Women's or girls' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts, divided skirts, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (excl. knitted or crocheted, wind-jackets and similar articles, slips, petticoats and panties, tracksuits, ski suits and swimwear)	193,657
'6207	Men's or boys' singlets and other vests, underpants, briefs, nightshirts, pyjamas, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles (excl. knitted or crocheted)	56,808
'6208	Women's or girls' singlets and other vests, slips, petticoats, briefs, panties, nightdresses, pyjamas, négligés, bathrobes, dressing gowns, housecoats and similar articles (excl. knitted or crocheted, brassières, girdles, corsets and similar articles)	24,216
'6211	Tracksuits, ski suits, swimwear and other garments, n.e.s. (excl. knitted or crocheted)	14,380
'6209	Babies' garments and clothing accessories of textile materials (excl. knitted or crocheted and hats)	13,410
'6216	Gloves, mittens and mitts, of all types of textile materials (excluding knitted or crocheted and for babies)	10,111
'6201	Men's or boys' overcoats, car coats, capes, cloaks, anoraks, incl. ski jackets, windcheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles (excl. knitted or crocheted, suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers and trousers)	7,283
'6205	Men's or boys' shirts (excl. knitted or crocheted, nightshirts, singlets and other vests)	7,017
'6210	Garments made up of felt or nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated; garments of textile fabrics, rubberised or impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with plastics or other substances (excl. knitted or crocheted, and babies' garments and clothing accessories)	3,769
'6217	Made-up clothing accessories and parts of garments or clothing accessories, of all types of textile materials, n.e.s. (excl. knitted or crocheted)	2,016
'6206	Women's or girls' blouses, shirts and shirt-blouses (excl. knitted or crocheted and vests)	1,423
'6214	Shawls, scarves, mufflers, mantillas, veils and similar articles (excl. knitted or crocheted)	1,191
'6215	Ties, bow ties and cravats of textile materials (excl. knitted or crocheted)	556
'6212	Brassieres, girdles, corsets, braces, suspenders, garters and similar articles and parts thereof, of all types of textile materials, whether or not elasticated, incl. knitted or crocheted (excl. belts and corselets made entirely of rubber)	303
'6202	Women's or girls' overcoats, car coats, capes, cloaks, anoraks, incl. ski jackets, windcheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles (excl. knitted or crocheted, suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers and trousers)	244
'6213	Handkerchiefs, of which no side exceeds 60 cm (excl. knitted or crocheted)	30
TOTAL		1,625,250

Table 1 lists woven garment products exported from Pakistan to EU27 in 2023

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HS Code	Product label	US\$, '000
'6103	Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (excl. wind-jackets and similar articles, separate waistcoats, tracksuits, ski suits and swimwear)	348,354
'6110	Jerseys, pullovers, cardigans, waistcoats and similar articles, knitted or crocheted (excl. wadded waistcoats)	266,892
'6115	Pantyhose, tights, stockings, socks and other hosiery, incl. graduated compression hosiery [e.g., stockings for varicose veins] and footwear without applied soles, knitted or crocheted (excl. for babies)	209,823
'6105	Men's or boys' shirts, knitted or crocheted (excl. nightshirts, T-shirts, singlets and other vests)	189,429
'6109	T-shirts, singlets and other vests, knitted or crocheted	173,106
'6116	Gloves, mittens and mitts, knitted or crocheted (excl. for babies)	134,999
'6104	Women's or girls' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts, divided skirts, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts, knitted or crocheted (excl. wind-jackets and similar articles, slips, petticoats and panties, tracksuits, ski suits and swimwear)	125,491
'6111	Babies' garments and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted (excl. hats)	66,684
'6107	Men's or boys' underpants, briefs, nightshirts, pyjamas, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles, knitted or crocheted (excl. vests and singlets)	63,092
'6106	Women's or girls' blouses, shirts and shirt-blouses, knitted or crocheted (excl. T-shirts and vests)	30,077
'6112	Track-suits, ski-suits and swimwear, knitted or crocheted	14,663
'6108	Women's or girls' slips, petticoats, briefs, panties, nightdresses, pyjamas, négligés, bathrobes, dressing gowns, housecoats and similar articles, knitted or crocheted (excl. T- shirts, vests, brassieres, girdles, corsets and similar articles)	13,371
'6101	Men's or boys' overcoats, car coats, capes, cloaks, anoraks, incl. ski jackets, windcheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, knitted or crocheted (excl. suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, bib and brace overalls and trousers)	9,500
'6114	Special garments for professional, sporting or other purposes, n.e.s., knitted or crocheted	4,039
'6102	Women's or girls' overcoats, car coats, capes, cloaks, anoraks, incl. ski jackets, windcheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, knitted or crocheted (excl. suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts, divided skirts, trousers, bib and brace overalls)	3,623
'6117	Made-up clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted; knitted or crocheted parts of garments or of clothing accessories, n.e.s.	1,854
'6113	Garments, knitted or crocheted, rubberised or impregnated, coated or covered with plastics or other materials (excluding babies' garments and clothing accessories)	91
TOTAL		1,655,068

Table 2 lists knitted garment products exported from Pakistan to EU27 in 2023

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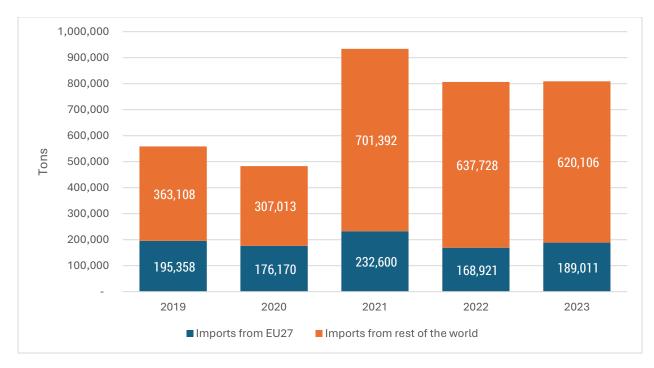


Figure 6 illustrates Pakistani imports of worn textiles (in tons) from the EU27 and rest of the world between 2019 to 2023. Source: ITC

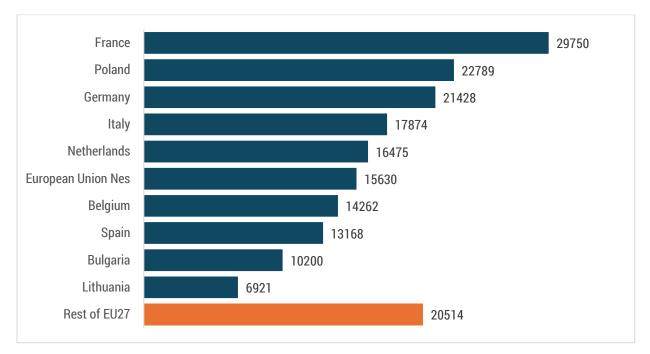


Figure 7 illustrates volume of worn clothes (in tons) exported from EU27 countries to Pakistan in 2023. Source: ITC