



# The Indian Silk Export Promotion Council

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## Subject: Analysis of Silk and Silk Products Export Performance (April 2024 – February 2026)

This note presents an analysis of India's export performance for silk and silk products. The data is compiled from the Statistics of Export released by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCI&S), Kolkata, comparing the period of April 2024 to February 2025 with the corresponding period of April 2025 to February 2026. The export figures, expressed in Million US\$, are tabulated below:

**Value in Million US\$:** (Source: DGCI&S)

Commodity	April 2024 – Feb 2025 (Final)	April 2025 – Feb 2026 (Provisional)	Growth %
Raw Silk (HS 5002)	2.98	0.25	(-) 91.61
Natural Silk Yarn, Fabrics & Made-ups (HS 5004, 5005, 5006, 5007, 5801, 6302, 6303, 6304, 6307)	114.47	212.55	(+) 85.68
Silk Readymade Garments (HS 6101, 6102, 6103, 6104, 6105, 6106, 6107, 6108, 6109, 6111, 6112, 6114, 6115, 6117, 6201, 6202, 6203, 6204, 6206, 6207, 6208, 6209, 6214, 6215, 6217)	76.63	70.54	(-) 7.94
Silk Waste (HS 5003)	29.82	31.55	(+) 5.80
Silk Carpet (HS 5702, 5705)	39.03	51.45	(+) 31.82
Handloom Products of Silk (HS 6211, 62141030, 63049991, 5007)	25.68	28.44	(+) 10.74
<b>Total</b>	<b>288.61</b>	<b>394.78</b>	<b>(+) 36.78</b>

## Analysis of Exceptional Growth in Silk and Silk Products Exports (April 2025 – February 2026)

This note provides a detailed analysis of India's silk and silk products export performance, drawing from the latest statistics released by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCI&S), Kolkata. The comparison spans the period of April 2024 to February 2025 against the corresponding period of April 2025 to February 2026.

### Overall Performance Highlights:

The period of **April 2025 to February 2026** has witnessed a remarkable surge in India's total silk and silk products exports, demonstrating an **exceptional growth of 36.78%**, rising from US\$ 288.61 Million to US\$ 394.78 Million. This significant increase underscores the sector's resilience and growing global demand for Indian silk.

### Key Drivers of Growth:

The primary catalyst for this impressive growth has been the outstanding performance of **Natural Silk Yarn, Fabrics & Made-ups**. This category recorded an **extraordinary increase of 85.68%**, with exports soaring from US\$ 114.47 Million in the previous period to an impressive **US\$ 212.55 Million** in the current period. This exponential rise suggests a robust international appetite for Indian silk textiles and processed products, indicating successful market penetration and strong manufacturing capabilities in value-added silk items.

### Further contributing to the positive trajectory are:

- Silk Carpets:** This segment displayed a strong growth of **31.82%**, with exports increasing from US\$ 39.03 Million to **US\$ 51.45 Million**. This highlights the sustained demand for India's artisanal silk carpets in global markets!
- Handloom Products of Silk:** Continuing to showcase the unique craft of Indian handloom, this category registered a healthy growth of **10.74%**, moving from US\$ 25.68 Million to **US\$ 28.44 Million**. This growth points to the enduring appeal of traditional, handcrafted silk products;
- Silk Waste:** This category also saw a positive growth of **5.80%**, with exports increasing from US\$ 29.82 Million to **US\$ 31.55 Million**, indicating efficient utilization of by-products within the silk industry;

### Areas for Strategic Focus:

While overall growth is commendable, certain segments require attention:

- Raw Silk (HS 5002):** Experienced a significant decline of 91.61%, dropping from US\$ 2.98 Million to US\$ 0.25 Million. This steep reduction warrants further investigation to understand underlying factors and potential strategies for revival or value addition within India;
- Silk Readymade Garments:** Saw a modest dip of 7.94%, with exports decreasing from US\$ 76.63 Million to US\$ 70.54 Million. This segment, representing finished products, could benefit from targeted promotional efforts and adaptation to evolving fashion trends to regain momentum;

### Conclusion:

The period of April 2025 to February 2026 has been exceptionally strong for Indian silk exports, primarily driven by the stellar performance of Natural Silk Yarn, Fabrics & Made-ups, and robust growth in Silk Carpets and Handloom Products. This broad-based growth in value-added products positions India strongly in the global silk market, despite challenges in specific raw material and garment segments. This positive momentum is a testament to the hard work of our exporters and the inherent quality of Indian silk, and it provides a strong foundation for future strategic initiatives.

Submitted for first-hand information to the Members of the Council

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