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Introduction

We present to you this monthly economic newsletter a monthly publication that monitors the most important statistics and special achievement in the departments of ministry of commerce and industry and most prominent monthly economic events, issued specifically to those interested in the economic affairs of the state of Kuwait in general on the ministry's website

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Transactions	Persons companies			Commercial truck company			Microenterprise company		
	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
Accredited incorporation	1803	1687	-6%	0	0	0%	48	46	-4%
Rejected incorporation requests	1810	1712	-5%	0	0	0%	79	96	22%
Companies established requests	954	1010	6%	0	0	0%	27	23	-15%
Total licenses issued	0	3057	0%	0	16	0%	0	17	0%
Total transaction	4567	7466	63%	0	16	0%	154	182	18%

Referring to the information abstained in the above table, and by analysing some of the available information, we find a decrease in the accredited incorporation request. For January 2022 compared to December 2021 in persons companies, while 1712 accredited incorporation requests were rejected. 96 microenterprise company where in increase was about 22% for Dec 2021. the total number of licenses issued was 3057 for people company, 17 for microenterprise company by referring to the total transactions above, the increase was 18% in the microenterprise companies and it increased by 63% in the personal companies.

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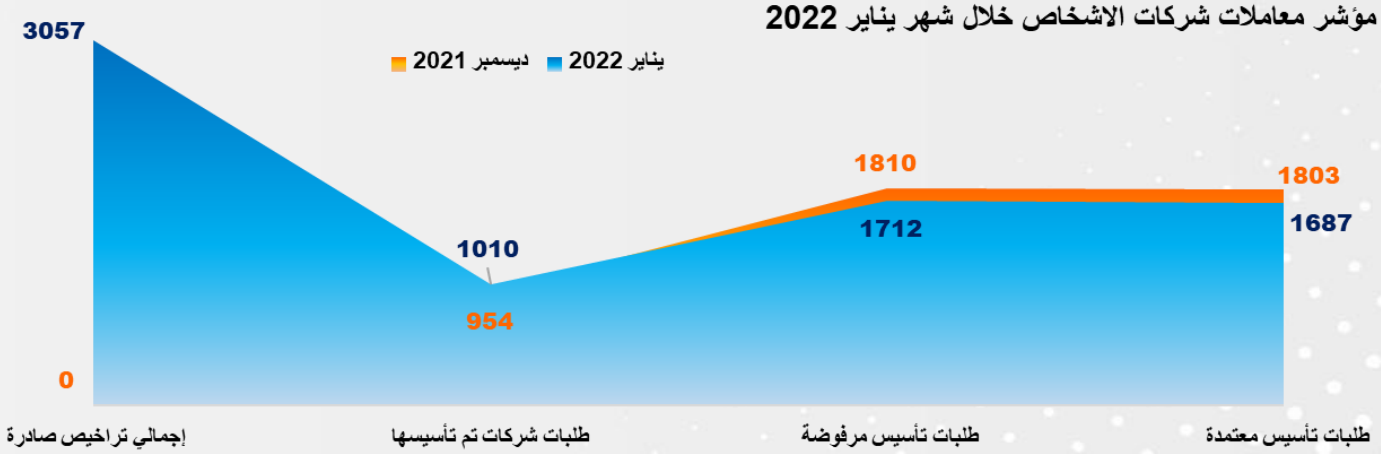

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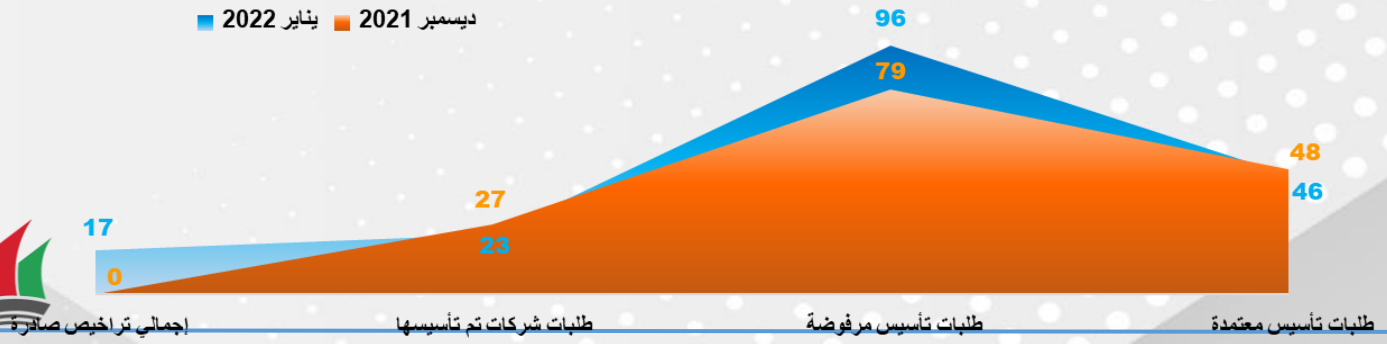
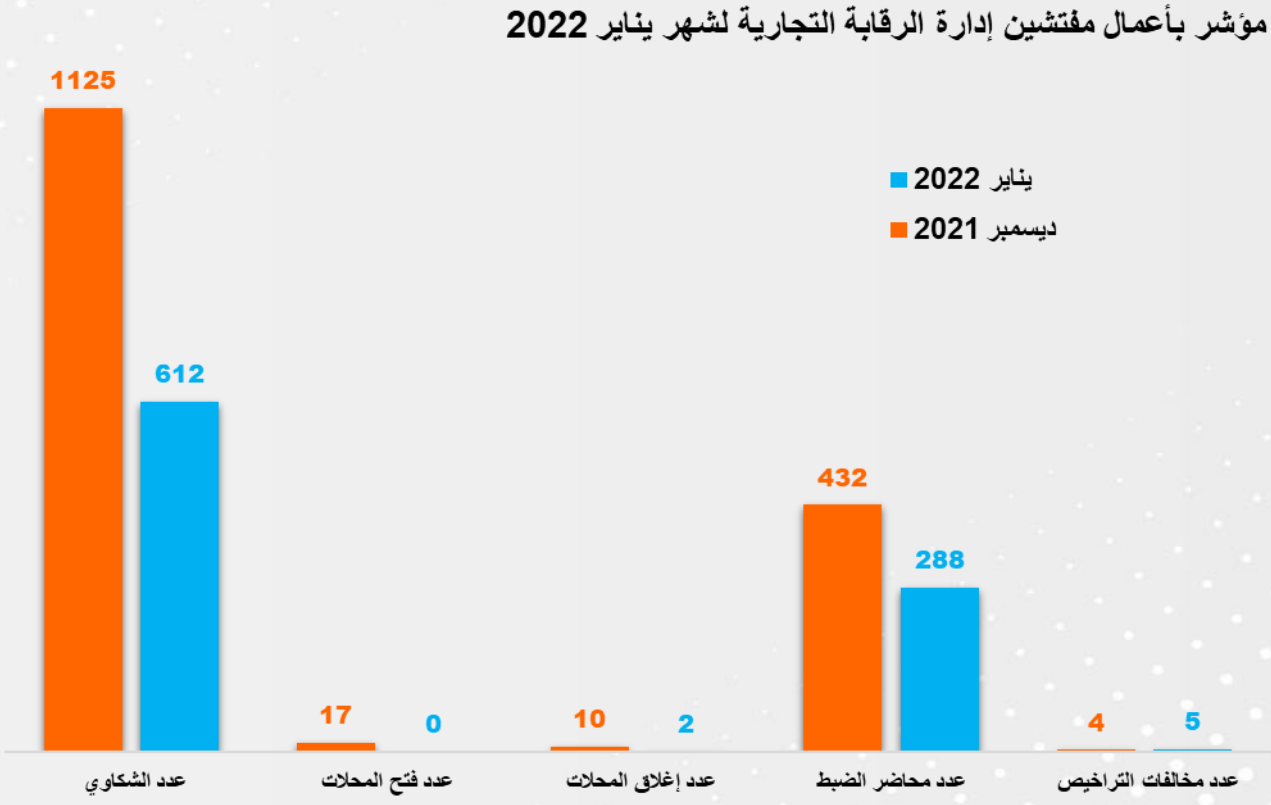


Commercial censorship department

s	The work of the inspectors	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	Number of licenses violations	4	5	25%
2	Number of arrests	432	288	-33%
3	Number of closed stores	10	2	-80%
4	Established store	17	0	-100%
5	Number of complaints	1125	612	-46%

A number of (5) licenses violations was edited in Jan 2022. at decrease rate estimated about 33% for Dec 2021, (2) stores were closed in Jan 2022 against



Anti-commercial fraud and awareness

s	Type of transaction	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	The origin country install request	1	1	0%
2	releases	0	0	0%
Total		1	1	0%

Consumer protection department

s	transaction	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	(Free) instantaneous gifts licenses	162	141	-13%
2	Seasonal offers licenses	35	25	-29%
3	Special offer license for (cooperative societies – central markets)	33	33	0%
4	Special offer license for stores	6	1	-83%
5	Discounts licenses	178	82	-54%
6	The local price linking with international foreign websites and applications	3	0	-100%
7	Liquidation license	1	0	-100%
8	Cashback offer licenses	2	1	-50%
9	Coupons license -Discount card	4	0	-100%
10	Discounts license (goods- services- crafts)	9	33	267%
Total		433	316	-27%
Summons books number		1	0	-100%
Number of vehicles required for workmanship defects		193	0	-100%

(141) transactions (free instant gift) were issued in January 2022.against (162) transactions in Dec 2021. At a lower rate estimated 13%. Also 25 licenses were issued (seasonal offers) by a percentage drop 29% transactions for Dec 2021, the (central market- cooperative societies) transactions has witnessed a special offer for January 2022 (33) transactions and the number of special offer transaction (shops) (1) transaction, a decrease estimated about 83%for December 2021, also the discount activity recorded a decrease in the number which assessed (82) transactions while the amount reached (178) for Dec 2021in a decrease rate 54% and (1) of cashback offer licenses was issued , also the (goods-service-crafts) (33)transactions with an increased estimated about 267% for a previous month Dec 2021.

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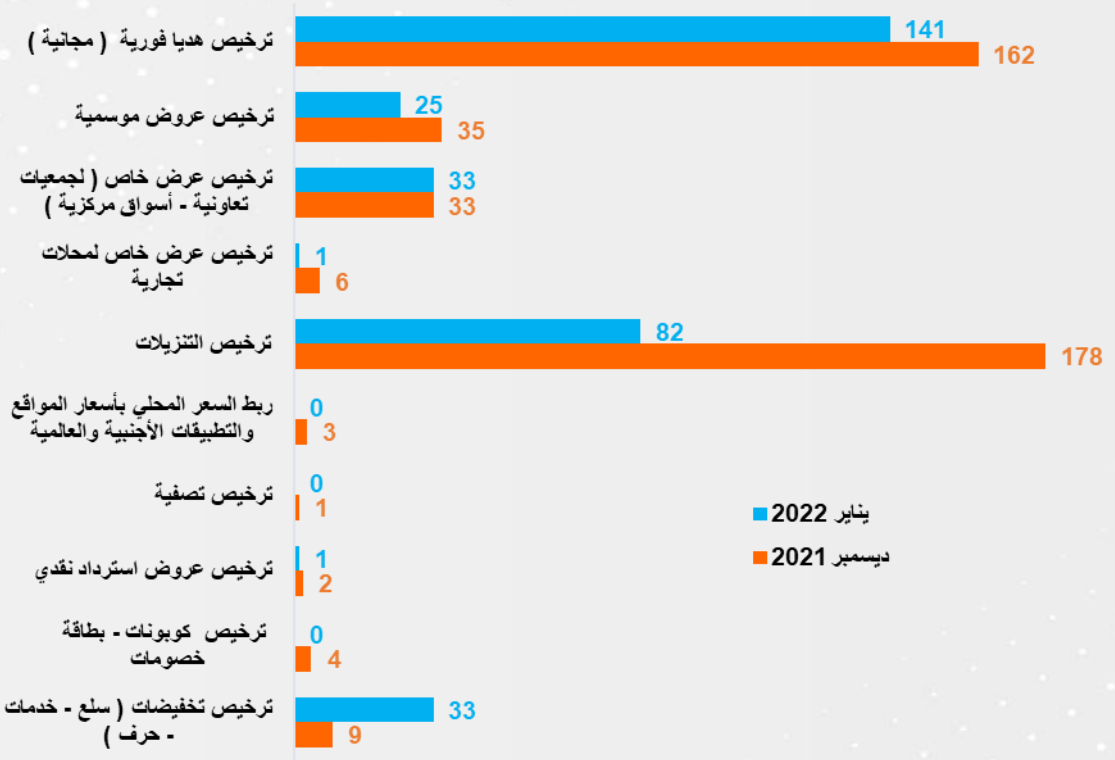
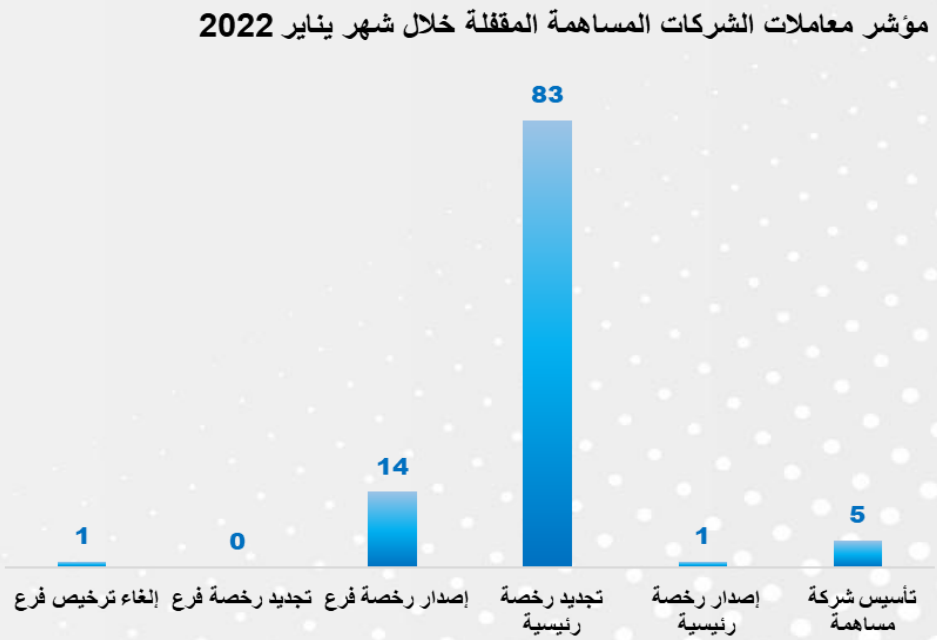


Join-stock companies department

s	Type of transaction	public join-stock companies	private join-stock companies
		Jan 2022	Jan 2022
1	Incorporation of Join-stock company	0	5
2	Issuance main license	0	1
3	Main license renewal	0	83
4	Issuance branch license	0	14
5	Branch license renewal	0	0
6	Branch license revocation	0	1
7	Replacement of lost or damaged license	0	0

By looking at the information's related to the management of join-stock, the following table is shown we find the following:

(5) joint-stock companies were established in January 2022, (1) transaction for private joint-stock companies was issued in January 2022, (83) private main licenses were renewal for the license of a privet joint-stock license in January 2022.



Follow/ Join-stock companies department

s	Transaction of controller and auditors	Jan 2022
1	Issuance of practicing license	0
2	Renewal practicing license	2
3	Replacement of lost or damaged practicing license	0
4	Registration in the auditors register	0
5	employment an external auditor	0

As for the index of transactions of controller and auditors, (2) practice licenses were renewed in January 2022.

Commercial licenses department

s	Number of establishments by sectors	normal	Legal
		Jan 2022	Jan 2022
1	food sector	24	19
2	Animal and vegetable products sector	20	6
3	Textiles and luxuries sector	43	4
4	Furniture and appliances sector	18	0
5	Media and entertainment sector	3	0
6	Security, safety and medical supplies sector	1	1
7	Equipment and Machinery Sector	6	0
8	Construction materials and equipment sector	4	0
9	Contracting sector (offices)	10	0
10	business services sector	25	0
11	Marketing, banking and hotels sector	35	2
12	Consulting professions sector (letter)	0	0
13	craft services sector	4	0
14	Repairs and handicraft sector	12	1
15	Mini Craft Strip	48	11
16	General trade activities and related services	4	0
Total		257	44

The number of commercial licenses issued reached 257 licenses during January 2022. For a different sector, the highest being (the simple craft sector, 48 licenses for natural persons) followed by (the textiles and luxuries sector) after coms 43 licenses, followed by (the marketing, banking and hotels sector) with 35 licenses in January 2022.

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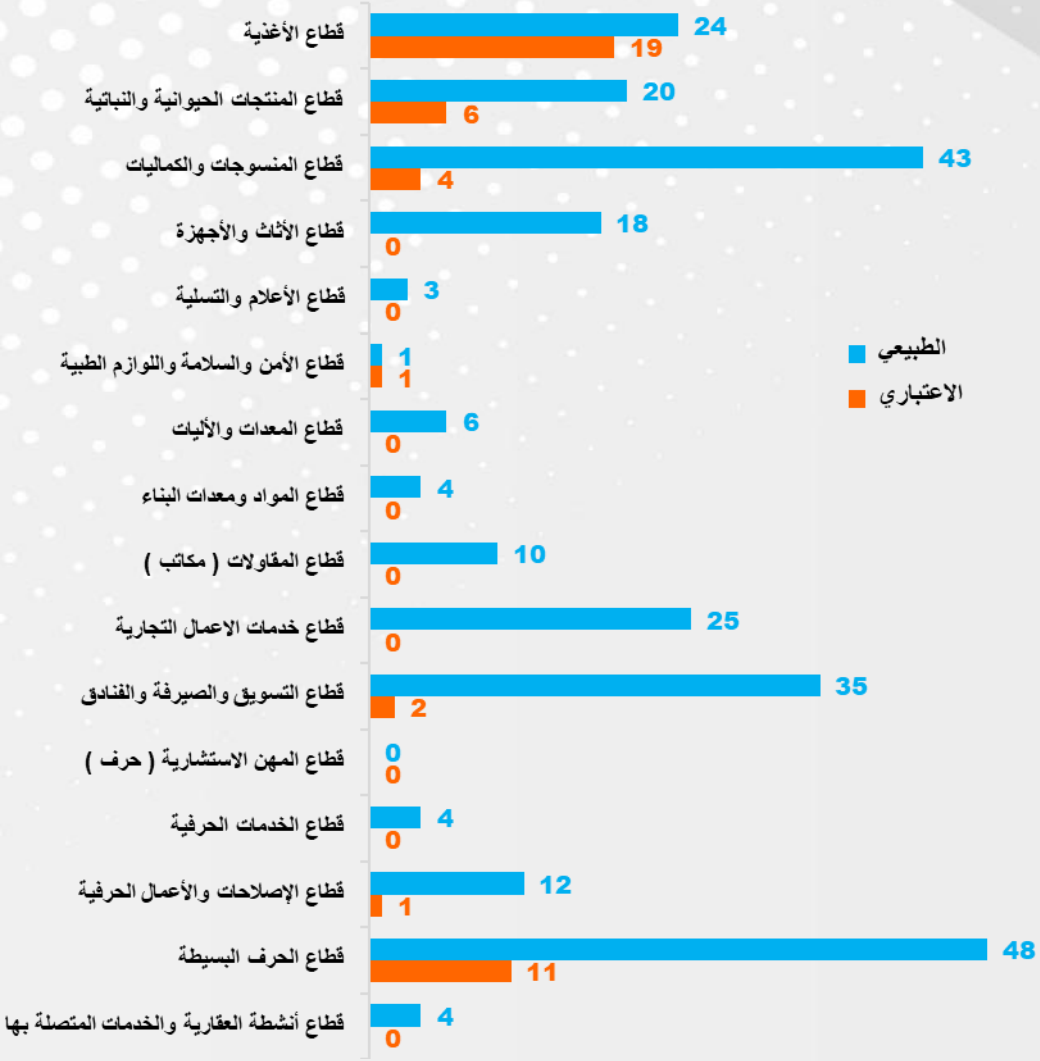
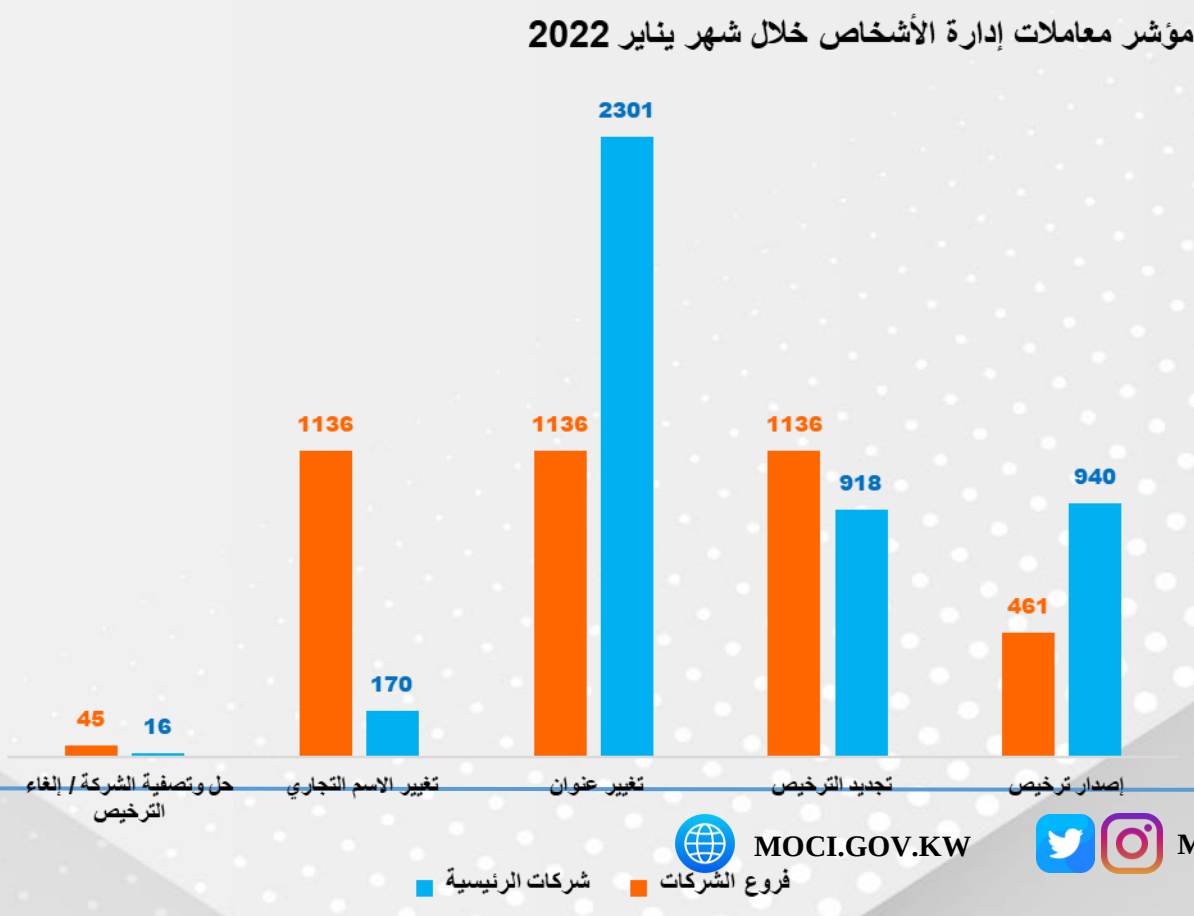


Commercial licenses department

s	Type of transaction	Main companies	Corporate branches
		Jan 2022	Jan 2022
1	Issuance of a license	940	461
2	Licenses renewal	918	1136
3	Address change	2301	1136
4	Change of business name	170	1136
5	Dissolution and liquidation of the company/ revocation of the license	16	45
6	Issuing a gulf branch	0	0
Total		4345	3914

(940) licenses were issued to the main companies and (461) licenses to the branches of companies as for the licenses renewal transactions for the main companies, they were (918) transactions, the number of transactions for the branches of companies was 1136 transactions , and there was a change of address of 2301 main companies and 1136 transactions for a branch of companies and the number of transactions for changing the trade name reached 170 transactions for companies as for dissolving and liquidating the company cancelling the license, there are 16 transactions for the main companies and 45 transactions for the month of January 2022.

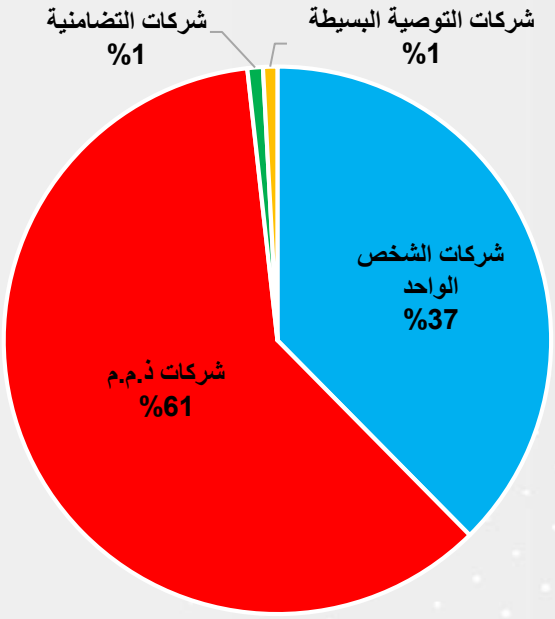


Continued/Commercial licenses department

s	Type of companies	January 2022
1	Joint-stock companies	534
2	LLC companies	861
3	Solidarity companies	13
4	Simple recommendation companies	12

As for the index of transactions of controller and auditors, (2) practice licenses were renewed in January 2022.

التوزيع النسبي لتراخيص شركات الاشخاص خلال شهر يناير 2022



Real estate department

s	transactions	Dec 2021	2022Jan	Percentage change
1	Issuance of practicing the career of land and real estate brokerage	14	18	29%
2	Renewal of practicing the career of land and real estate brokerage	44	34	-23%
3	repeal of practicing the career of land and real estate brokerage	4	5	25%
4	Holding real estate exhibitions in the state of Kuwait	0	0	0%
5	Complaints about real estate companies	0	1	0%
6	Licensing and publishing an advertisement outside Kuwait	3	0	-100%
7	Certificate whom it may concern	0	0	0%
8	Total number of violators during a month	0	1	0%
Total		65	59	-69%

The issuance of transactions for the land and real estate brokerage profession reached (18) transactions in January 2022, compared to (14) transactions for the month of December 2021.

As for practicing land brokerage it decreased by 23% compared to the previous month while 5 licenses to practice brokerage were cancelled, compared to 4 licenses for the previous month, with an increase of 25%

A number of complaints were issued against real estate companies in January 2022, while the total number of violators during January 2022 is (1).

And by looking to the total, we see that January 2022 transactions recorded 59 transactions, compared to 65 for December 2021 with a decrease of 69%.

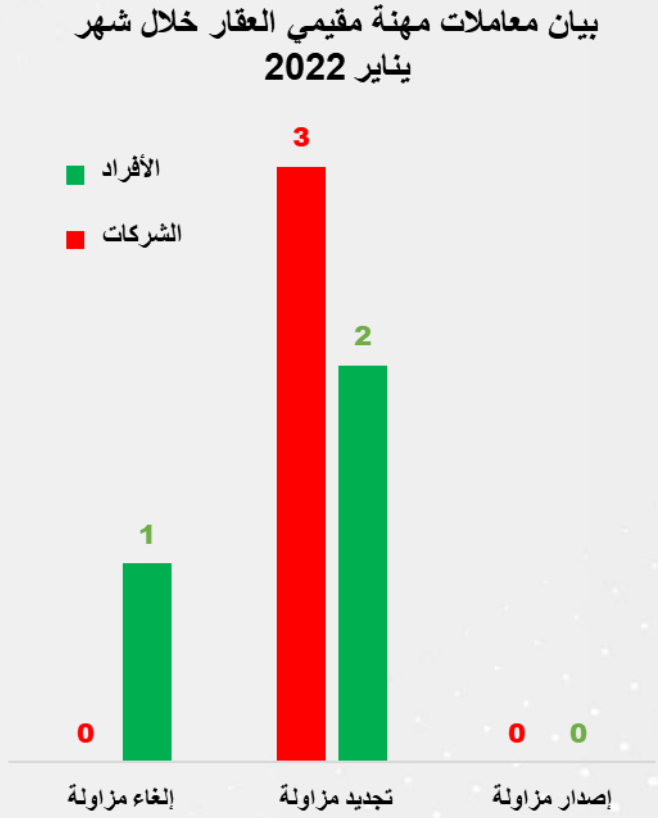
In January 2022, the number of renewal transaction of land and real estate evaluator reached 2 transactions for corporate transactions, and 1 cancellations transaction for individuals' transactions in January 2022.

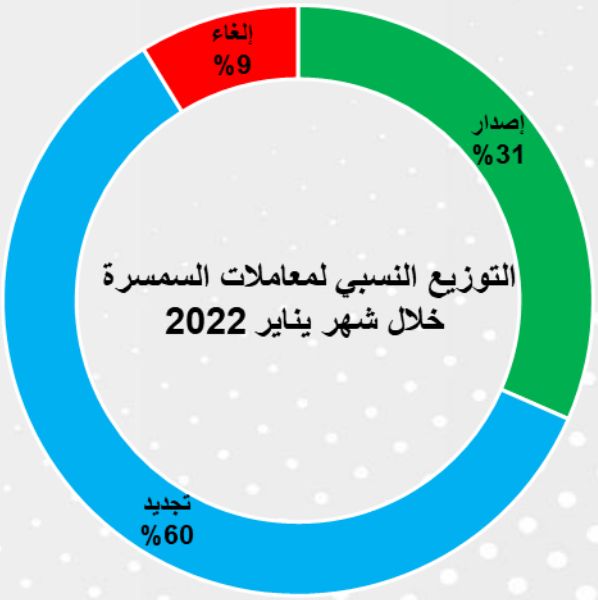
Statistics of the number of real state licenses (real estate residents)

Special in profession of real estate evaluators							
Transactions		individuals			companies		
		2021Dec	Jan 2022	Percentage change	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	Issuance of practicing	0	0	0%	1	0	-100%
2	Renewal of practicing	3	2	-33%	2	3	50%
3	repeal of practicing	0	1	0%	0	0	0%
Total		3	3	0	3	3	0

Total cumulative of the number of licensed residents in Kuwait until the end of the month	1351
Total Cumulative of licensed brokers in Kuwait at the end of the month	62

In January 2022, the number of renewal transaction of land real estate evaluator reached 2 transactions for corporate transactions, and 1 cancellation transaction for individuals' transactions in January 2022.

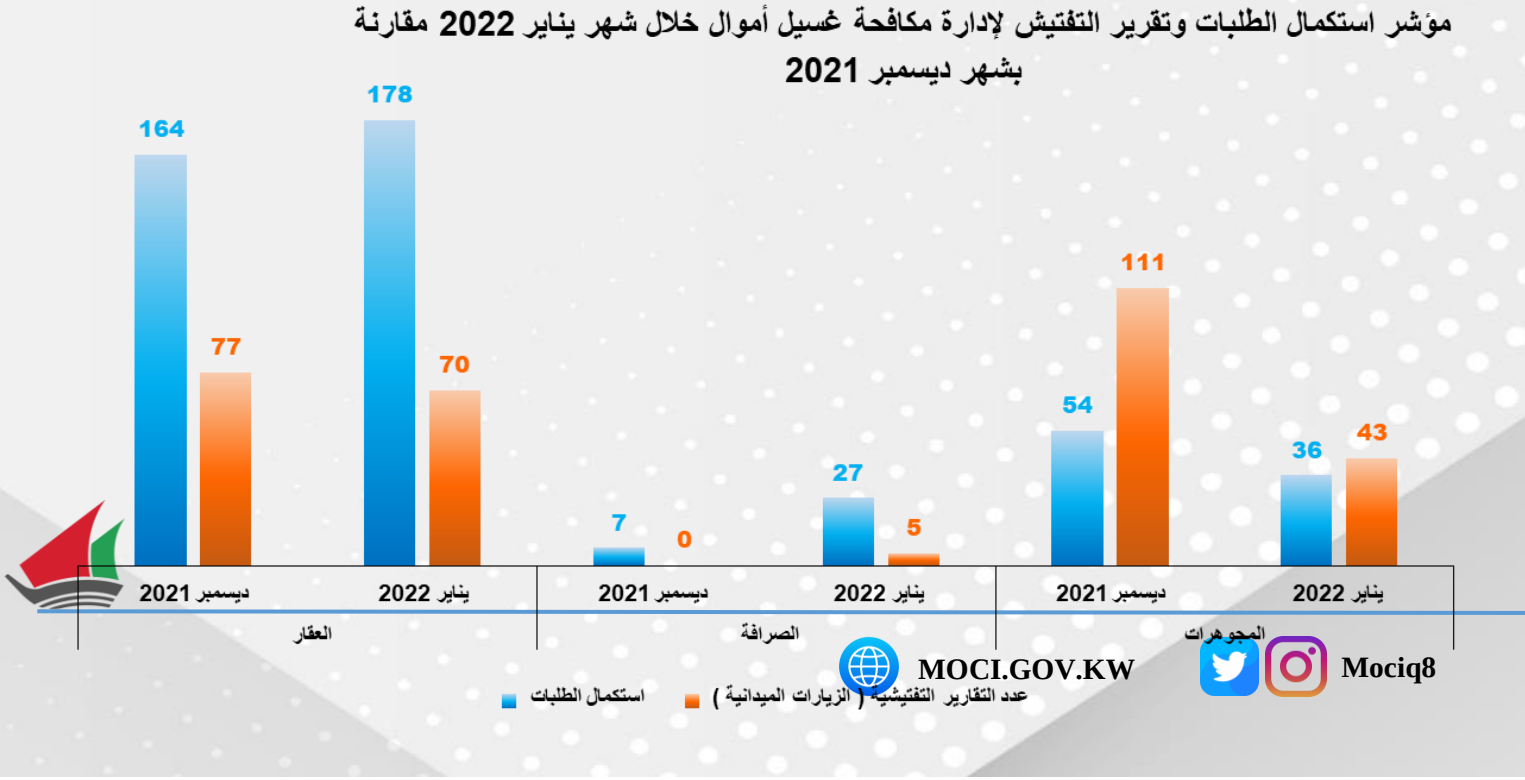




Anti-money laundering and terrorist financing

	transaction	Real estate			Exchange money			jewellery		
		Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	Complete orders	164	178	9%	7	27	286%	54	36	-33%
2	Number of inspection reports (field visits)	77	70	-9%	0	5	0%	111	43	-61%
3	Company activity suspended	2	1	-50%	0	1	0%	1	0	-100%
4	Suspension of civil id or individual number	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
5	Number of lifting cases of suspension licenses of licenses	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	2	0	-100%
6	Number of lifting cases of suspension licenses of individuals	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
7	Send an email to block websites	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	9	3	-67%
8	Send an email to un block websites	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	1	0	-100%
	Total	243	249	2%	7	33	371%	178	82	-54%

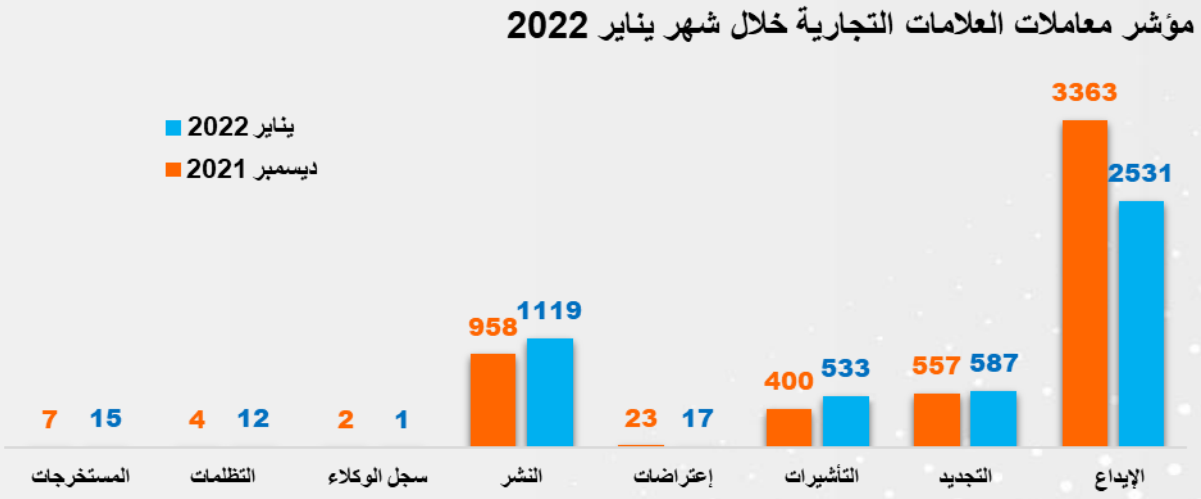
We note in the previous table that completion of applications increased by 9% in January 2022 for 178 real estate transactions, the real estate inspection reports for the month of January amounted to 70 reports, with a low variable rate of 9% compared to the previous month, and Jewellery amounted to 43 reports, with a low variable rate estimated at 61% for December 2021 we also note in item 7 of the table the number of 3 cases of blocking a website for jewellery activity in January 2022, with a decrease of 67% compared to the previous month.



Trademark and patent department

Trademark department				
s	Type of transactions	Dec 2021	January 2022	Percentage change
1	deposit	3363	2531	-25%
2	renewal	557	587	5%
3	visas	400	533	33%
4	Objections	23	17	-26%
5	publishing	958	1119	17%
6	Agent register	2	1	-50%
7	grievances	4	12	200%
8	External	7	15	114%
Total		5,314	4,815	-9%

The number of trademarks filing transactions amounted to 2531, a decrease of 25% compared to December 2021, while the number of renewed transactions increased by 5% compared to the previous month. The number of trademarks filing transactions amounted to 533 during January 2022, and increased by 33%. As for the number of objection transactions, there are 17 transaction, and the publication transactions increased from 958 in December 2021 to 1119, with an increase of 17% the number of transactions of the agent's register was 1 transaction in January 2022 and 15 extracts were extracted, with an increase of 114%.

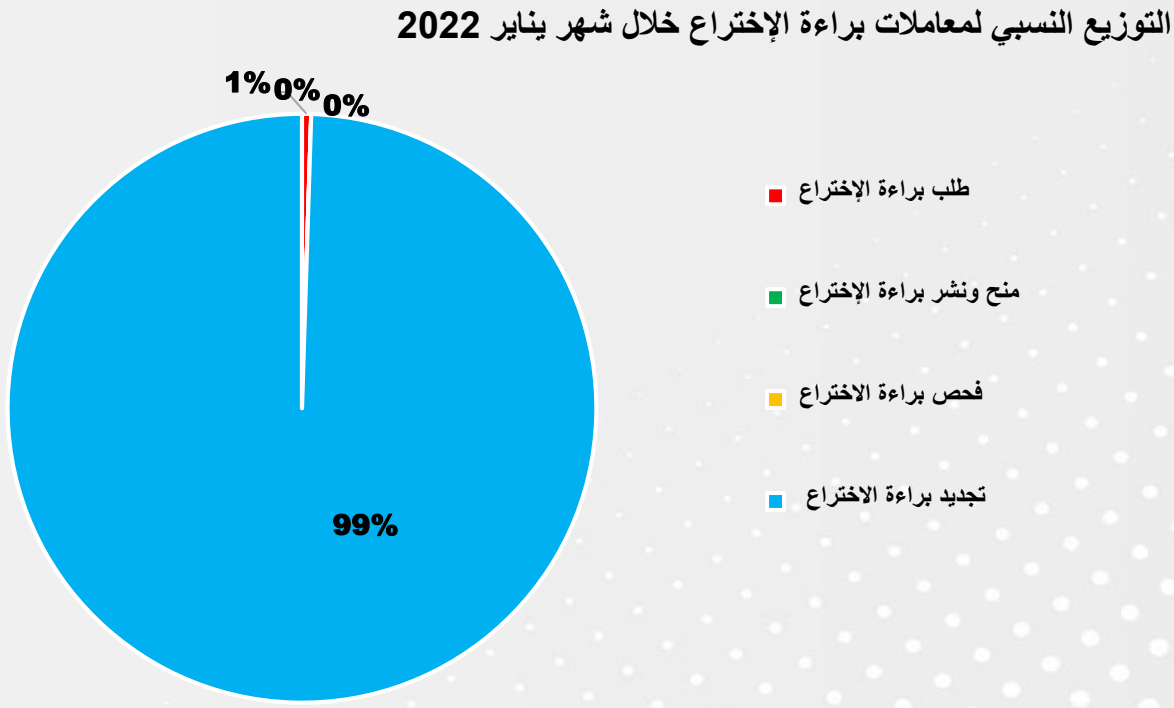


Trademark and patent department

Trademark department				
s	Type of transaction	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	Patent request	0	3	0%
2	Patent granting and publishing	0	0	0%
3	Paten examination	3	0	-100%
4	Paten renewal	1	596	59500%
Total transaction		4	599	14875%

By looking at the above table we can see the following:

An increase in total transactions by 14875% , as there is a decrease in item 3, and an increase in item 4 in patent transactions compared to December 2021.



International relations department

Kuwait export:

The total Kuwaiti exports of origin during the month of January 2022 amounted to 34 million k.d distributed over the countries of the gulf cooperation council, the Arab countries, the countries of the European continent, the African -American continent, the countries of the two continents, Asia and Australia, the countries of the two American continent , where the share of exports to the gulf cooperation council countries was about 25 one million k.d as an increase rate of about 3 million k.d, a decrease of about 17%frome the previous month, and the value of exports to the countries of the two contents Asian and Australia reached 71 thousand k.d, an increase of 51% and it is noted that an increase in the value of the total exports last month reached 51%.

The value of Kuwaiti dinars (for the closest dinar)

Non-oil exports of Kuwaiti origin

s	Countries name	Num of certificates			Export value		
		Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change	Dec2021	Jan2022	percentage change
1	Gulf cooperation council countries	1520	1863	23%	14030266	25058111	79%
2	Arab Islamic countries	473	402	-15%	4733867	5816430	23%
3	European countries	27	28	4%	3355642	2795782	-17%
4	African countries	4	0	-100%	22876	0	-100%
5	Countries of the continents Asia and Australia	1	5	400%	39727	70522	78%
6	The Americas	7	9	29%	347125	170353	-51%
Total		2032	2307	14%	22529503	33911198	51%

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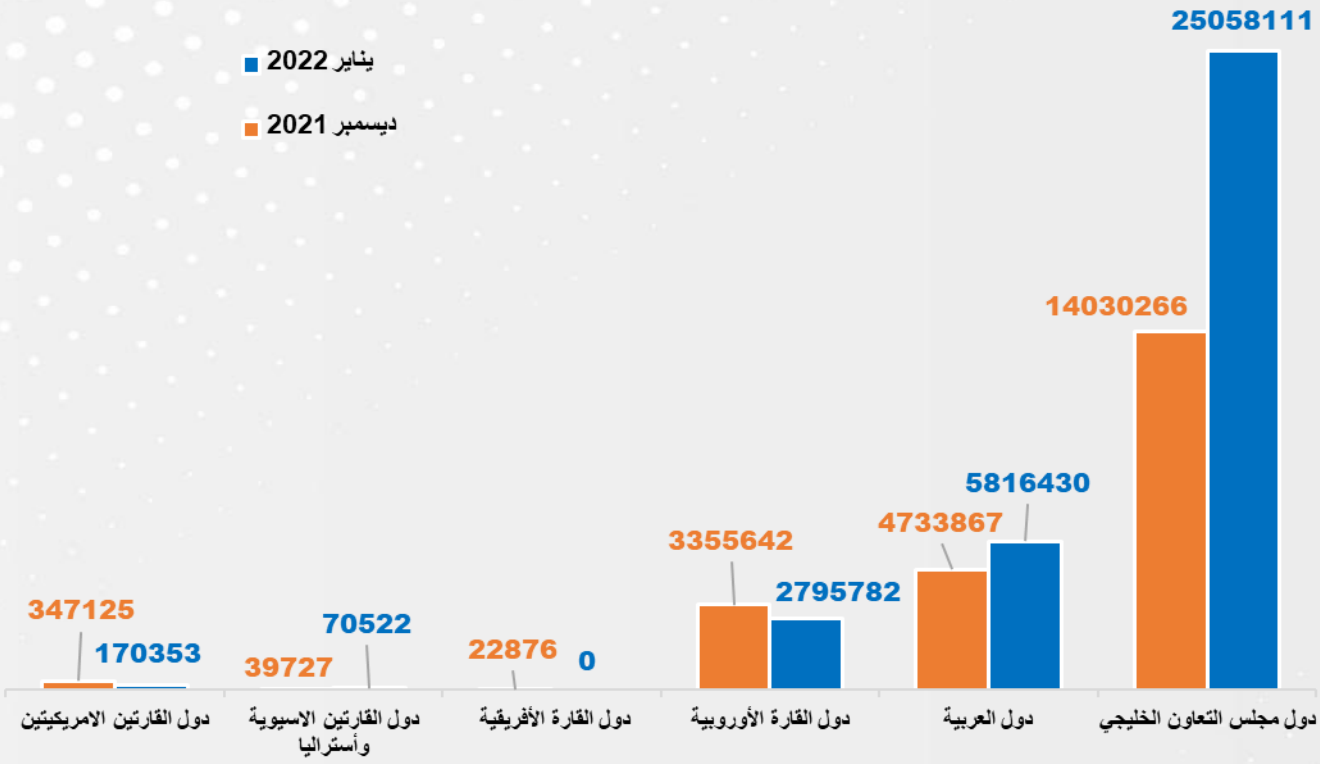

Preparing of exhibition during Jan 2022 compared to Dec 2022.

Exhibitions department				
s	Type of transaction	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	Issuance of a temporary commercial license within the state of Kuwait	16	17	6%
Total		16	17	6%

By looking at the above table, it is clear that (17) temporary commercial exhibition licenses were issued in Kuwait in January 2022 compared to 916) for the month of December 2021, with a rate of 6%.

Supply department

During the month of January 2022, the ministry provided support for many materials, estimated at 24 million k.d. thus, its support decreased by an estimated 3% compared to December 2021, as the basic materials that were spent through the ration card for this month received an estimated amount of 4 million, and its percentage is estimated at about 18% of the total support and decreased by 6% compared to December 2021. Support for milk and baby nutrients amounted to about k d 577 thousand and decreased by 15% compared to the previous month. The value of construction materials amounted to an estimated 19 million and decreased by 2% compared to December 2021.

s	Supported materials	Outgoing support		
		Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	Basic foodstuffs	4597804	4344073	-6%
2	Supporting baby milk and nutrients	677044	576921	-15%
3	Construction materials	18987316	18677376	-2%
Total		24262164	23598370	-3%

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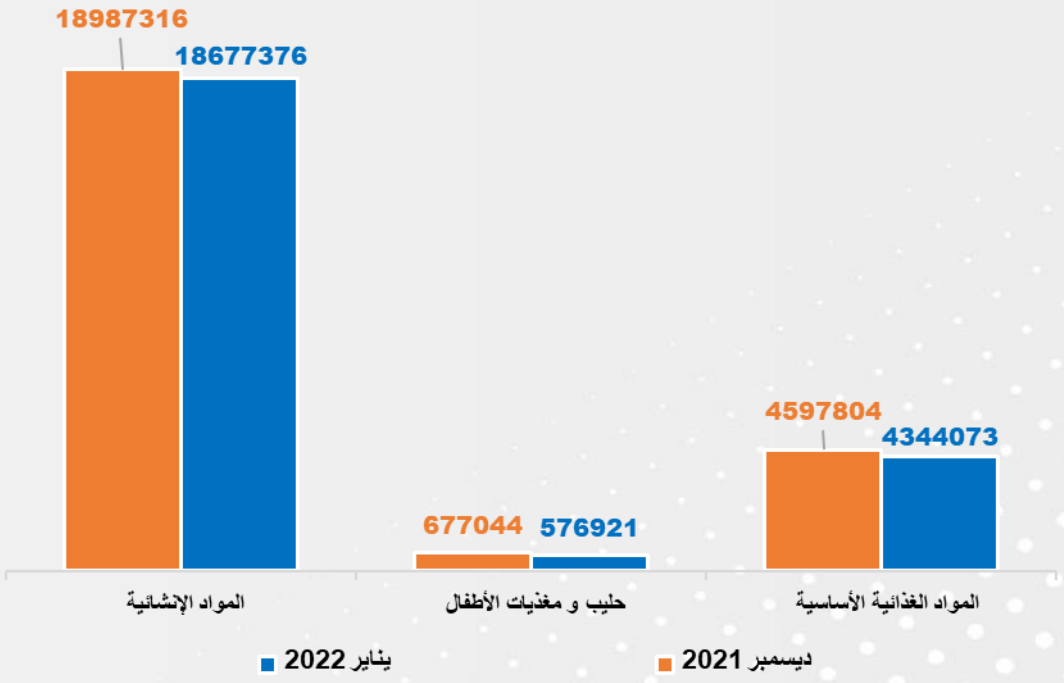

Continued/ Supply department

s	Ration card				Beneficiary individuals			
	transactions	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change	transactions	Dec2021	Jan 2022	Percentage change
1	Version / add	608	464	-24%	Version / add	7006	7318	4%
2	Renew / update	445	470	6%	Renew / update	301	315	5%
3	Cancel / delete	25	23	-8%	Cancel / delete	2794	2236	-20%

Explanation of the number of cumulative ration cards until the end of January 2022	247833
Statement of the number of individuals benefiting from cumulative catering until the end of January 2022	2140947

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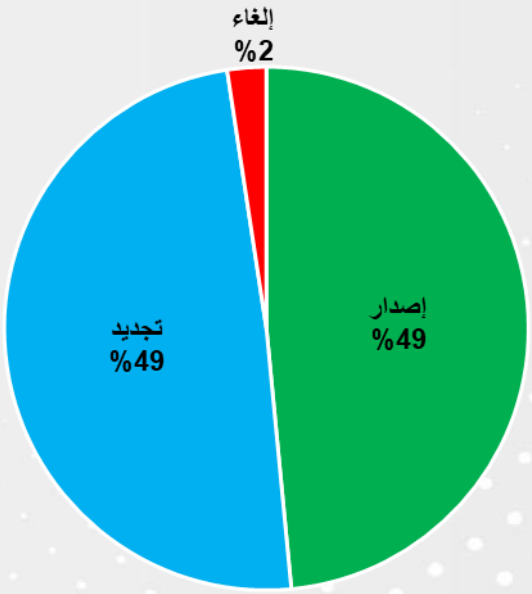

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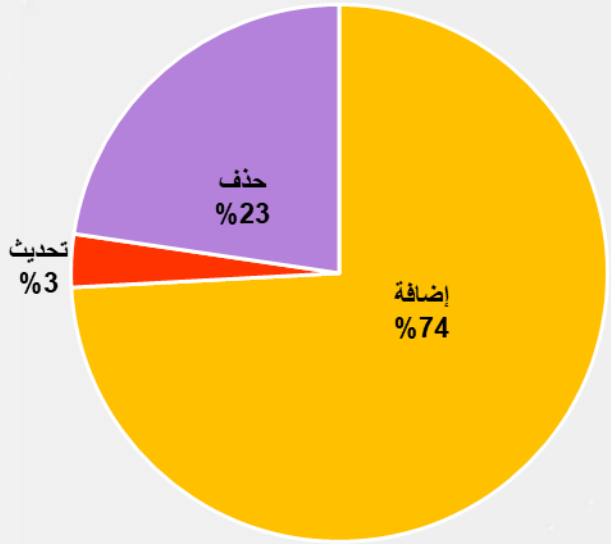

the most prominent decisions issued during January 2022:

- **Ministerial resolution no. (4) of 2022 regarding the registration of commercial names on 17/1/2022.**
- **Ministerial resolution no. (5) of 2022 regarding the naming of some construction materials supported on the date.**

Conclusion

This is the end of our report, in which we were keen to provide all possible data and statistics on most of the departments of the Ministry in a way that proves the extent of the growth of its role, and we showed the most important indicators and clarified them in graphs, and we provided our statistical analysis of the monthly indicators and attached solutions to you to contribute to facilitating the making of the most important decisions, we hope that we succeeded in this report by showing the most important aspects affecting the development of the Ministry, I hope that this report will impress you and God and the Guardian of Success.