

## September 2024



# Monthly Cement Dispatches Saudi Cement Sector | August 2024

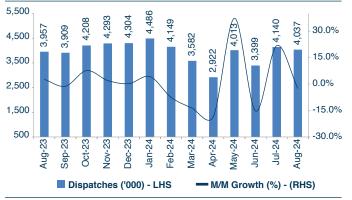
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### **Cement Dispatches for August 2024**

Local cement sales show a 2% Y/Y growth in August-24, and 0.6% Y/Y increase during 8M-24. However, the inventory level reached the highest since inception at 44.8MT: Domestic cement dispatches for the month of August-24 stood at 4.04mn tonnes, posting a 2.0% Y/Y increase from August-23 level of 3.96mn tonnes. Dispatches dropped by 2.5% M/M. Total export dispatches stood at 615K tonnes compared to 620K tonnes in August-23, recording a decrease of 0.8% on Y/Y basis. Clinker inventories stood at 44.76mn tonnes in August-24; showing an increase by 13.2% Y/Y and by 0.7% M/M, recording another new high. In 8M-24, local cement sales has slightly grown by 0.6% Y/Y, reaching to 30.73mn tonnes, compared to 30.54mn tonnes in 8M-23. Meanwhile, Cement and Clinker export sales in 8M-24 reached 4.25mn tonnes, a decrease of 25.1% from the 5.67mn tonnes recorded of 8M-23. Sales/clinker production ratio stood at 98% during August-24, where Riyadh Cement registered the highest ratio at 226%.

Figure 1: Change in Cement Dispatches (Domestic Sales)



Source: Yamama Cement, AlJazira Capital Research

Domestic cement dispatches increased by 2.0% Y/Y, but declined by 2.5% on monthly basis in August 2024.

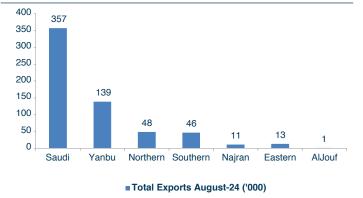


Figure 3: Utilization Rate (TTM)

Source: Yamama Cement, AlJazira Capital Research

The total utilization rate (TTM) of the cement sector in Saudi Arabia stood at 72.7%, a decrease by 6.1bps M/M, and a decrease by 291.6bps compared to August-23.





Source: Yamama Cement, AlJazira Capital Research

Cement and clinker exports has reached 615K tonnes in August-24 compared to 620K tonnes in August-23, recording a 0.8% decrease on Y/Y basis. **Saudi cement** and **Yanbu Cement** recorded the highest export sales at 357KT and 139KT, respectively.



Figure 4: Change in Clinker Inventories ('000)

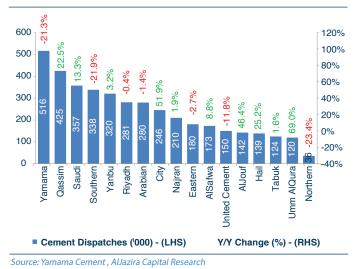
At the end of August-24, clinker inventories stood at 44.76mn tonnes, recording an increase of 13.2% Y/Y and 0.7% M/M.



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### Figure 5: Cement and Clinker Dispatches for August-24 (Domestic Sales)

**Umm Al-Qura Cement** and **City Cement** recorded the highest increases in dispatches by 69.0% Y/Y and 51.9% Y/Y, respectively. On the other hand, **Northern Cement** and **Southern Cement** recorded the largest declines of 23.4% Y/Y



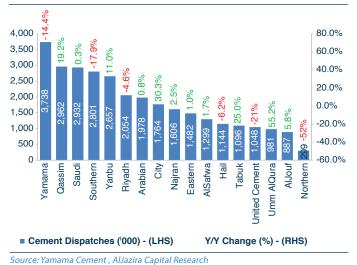
### Figure 7: Sales / Clinker Production for August-24

Source: Yamama Cement , AlJazira Capital Research

and 21.9% Y/Y, respectively.

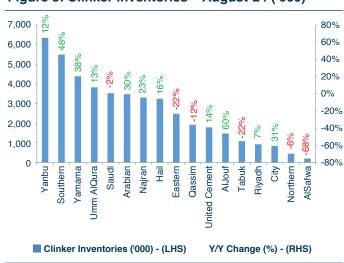
**Riyadh Cement** and **AlJouf Cement** showed the highest sales/ clinker production ratios of 213% and 168%, respectively. On the other hand, **Northern Cement** and **Umm Al-Qura Cement** recorded the lowest sales/clinker production ratios of 54% and 65%, respectively.

## Figure 6: Cement and Clinker Dispatches for 8M-24 (Domestic Sales)



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For 8M-24, **Umm Al-Qura Cement** and **City Cement** recorded the highest increase in dispatches by 55% Y/Y and 30.3% Y/Y, respectively. Meanwhile, **Northern Cement** and **United Cement** posted declines of 51.7% Y/Y and 20.5% Y/Y, respectively.



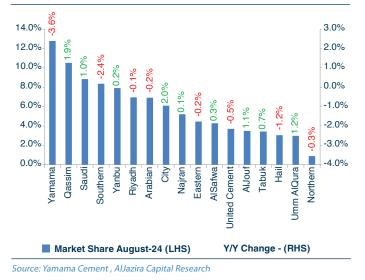
### Figure 8: Clinker Inventories – August-24 ('000)

Source: Yamama Cement , AlJazira Capital Research

Inventory levels of **AlSafwa Cement** and **Eastern Cement** declined by 68% Y/Y, 22% Y/Y respectively. On the other hand, **AlJouf Cement** and **Southern Cement** both posted the highest increase in their inventory levels of 60% Y/Y and 48%, respectively.

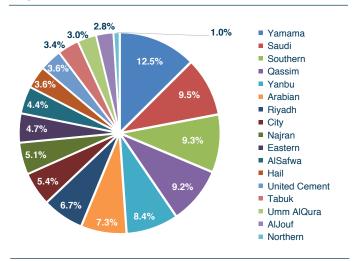






### Figure 9: Market Share – August -24 (Domestic Sales)

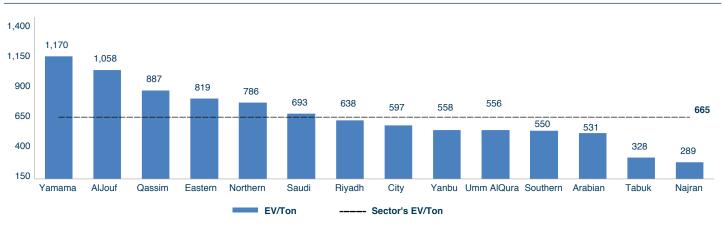
Yamama Cement and Qassim Cement recorded the highest market share in August-24 of 12.8% and 10.5%, respectively. Meanwhile, Northern Cement bottomed the list with market share of 0.9%, followed by Umm Al-Qura with a market share of 3.0%. Yamama Cement's market share decreased by 359.4pbs Y/Y while Qassim Cement's market share increased by 186.6bps Y/Y.



#### Source: Yamama Cement , AlJazira Capital Research

Figure 10: Market Share TTM

On a TTM basis, **Yamama cement** and **Saudi Cement** recorded the highest market share of 12.5% and 9.5%, respectively. Followed by **Southern Cement** with a market share of 9.3%.



#### Figure 11: EV / Tonne

Source: Bloomberg, Yamama Cement , AlJazira Capital Research

Yamama Cement recorded the highest EV/Ton of SAR 1,170, followed by AlJouf Cement with an EV/Ton of SAR 1,058. Meanwhile, Najran Cement and Tabuk Cement both recorded the lowest EV/Ton of SAR 289 and 328, respectively.





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