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MERCHANDISE TRADE December 2015 quarter

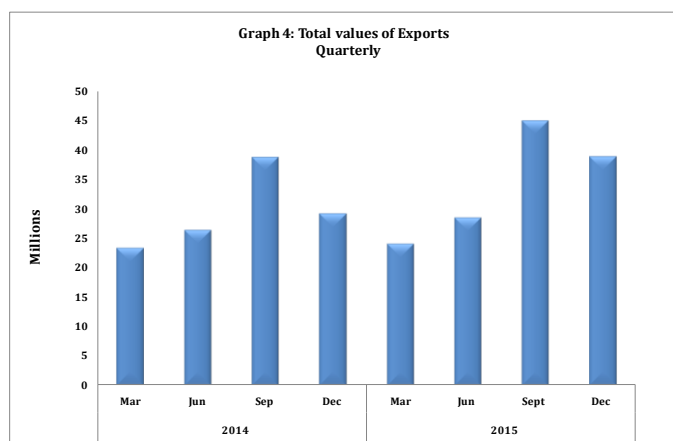
Highlights of the quarter

- Exports value fell 13.5 percent to \$38.8 million from the September 2015 quarter.
- Imports value rose 2 percent to \$227.4 million from the September 2015 quarter
- There was a trade deficit of \$188.6 million

Overview

Value of Exports

The total value of exports in the December 2015 quarter fell 13.5 percent (\$6.1 million) to \$38.8 million from the September 2015 quarter. Largely responsible for the decrease in exports was lower values of fish exports (down \$5.9 million). In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value of exports increased 33.2 percent. (See table 1 and graph 1)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending December 2015 showed a 15.9 percent increase in the total value of exports compared to the four quarters ending December 2014.

Top export commodities¹

Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets for vehicles exports became the top commodities exported during the reference quarter with its value increasing to \$12.4 million from \$8.5 million in the previous quarter, representing 32.1 percent of total exports. In comparison with December 2014 quarter, the current value increased 30.7 percent.

Fish exports followed with a 21.7 percent share of total exports (\$8.4 million). This value was 41.3 percent lower than the previous quarter but three times higher than the corresponding quarter of 2014.

Petroleum oils² other than crude oil exports was third with its value decreasing to \$8.2 million from \$10.6 million in the previous quarter, contributing 21.1 percent of total exports. In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value decreased 4.5 percent.

Beer exports was fourth, representing 6.0 percent (\$2.3million) of total exports, increasing \$1.0 million from the previous quarter but decreasing 16.7 percent when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2014.

Fruit juices exports accounted for 4.5 percent, decreasing 52.6 percent from the previous quarter but three times higher than its value in the December 2014 quarter.

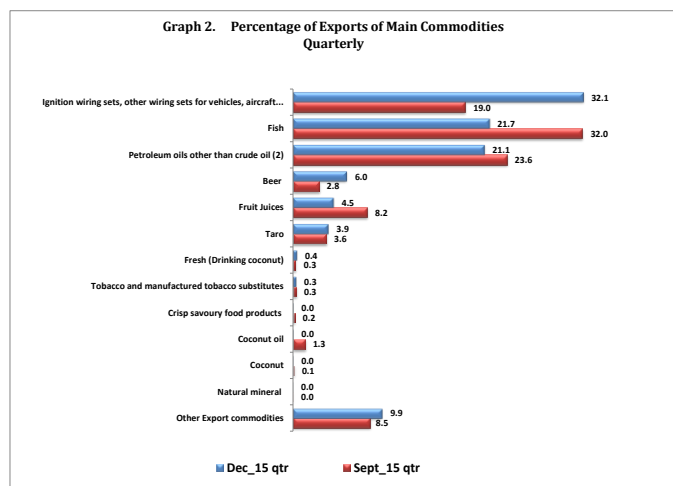
Taro exports accounted for 3.9 percent, increasing 7.1 percent from the previous quarter but 9.5 percent higher than the corresponding quarter of 2014.

Fresh drinking coconut accounted for 0.4 percent, increasing 30 percent from previous quarter while tobacco exports accounted for 0.3 percent (down 6.2 percent from previous quarter).

¹ Includes re-export commodities

² Re-exports of fuel for airlines and shipping vessels

Relatively lower shares recorded for coconut oil, crisp savoury food products, coconut and mineral water while the remaining 9.9 percent represent other export commodities. (See table 2 and graph 2)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Country of Destination for Exports

Australia maintained the largest export market in the December 2015 quarter with its value increasing to \$16.6 million (42.8 percent of total exports) from previous quarter. In comparison with corresponding quarter of 2014, the current value of exports to Australia increased 6 percent. Exports to American Samoa decreased by \$5 million (45.2 percent) to \$6.1 million from the previous quarter, accounting for 15.8 percent of total exports, driven by fish exports. In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value of exports to American Samoa increased 68.7 percent.

Exports to New Zealand accounted for 14.9 percent of total exports, increasing 3.3 percent from the previous quarter, but decreased 4.2 percent when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2014.

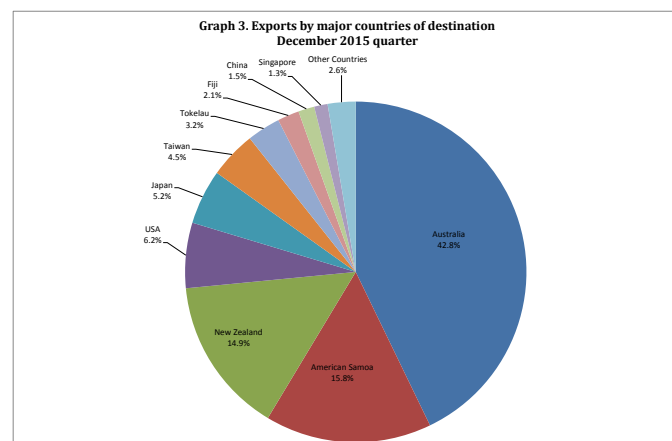
Exports to USA accounted for 6.2 percent (\$2.4 million) of total exports which decreased 31 percent from the previous quarter but five times higher than the corresponding quarter of 2014.

Exports to Japan increased 7.5 percent from previous quarter, representing 5.2 percent of total exports.

Exports to Taiwan accounted for 4.5 percent of total value, decreasing 32.3 percent from the previous quarter. Tokelau accounted for 3.2 percent of total exports, which was twice its value in the previous quarter.

Exports to Fiji, China and Singapore decreased accounting for 2.1 percent, 1.5 percent and 1.3

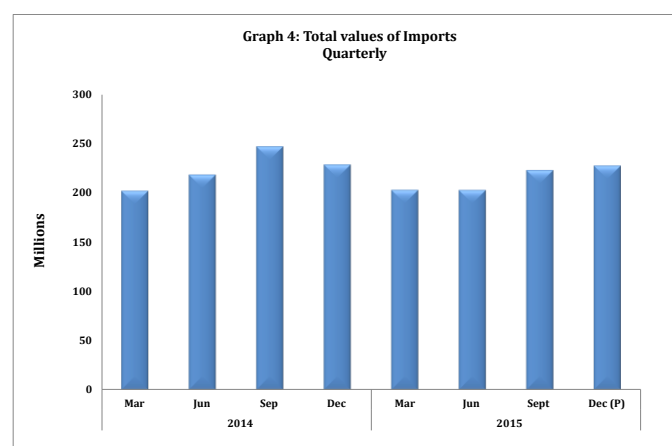
percent of total exports respectively while the remaining 2.6 percent represented other countries of destination for exports. (See table 4 and graph 3)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Value of Imports

The total value of imports during the December 2015 quarter increased 2 percent to \$227.4 million from the September 2015 quarter. In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value of imports decreased 0.5 percent. (See table 1 and graph 4)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending December 2015 showed a decrease of 4.5 percent in the total value of imports compared to the four quarters ending December 2014.

Composition of Imports

Mineral products maintained the largest share of all commodity groups imported in the December 2015 quarter despite the 2.8 percent decrease in its value from the previous quarter, contributing 17.6 percent of total imports (\$39.9 million). In comparison with the December 2014 quarter,

the current value of mineral products decreased 24.2 percent.

Imports of machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof also decreased from the previous quarter, accounting for 11.6 percent of total imports (\$26.4 million). In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value of machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof increased 34.2 percent.

Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco imports accounted for 11.5 percent of total imports (\$26.2 million), increasing 8.7 percent and 9.3 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2014 respectively.

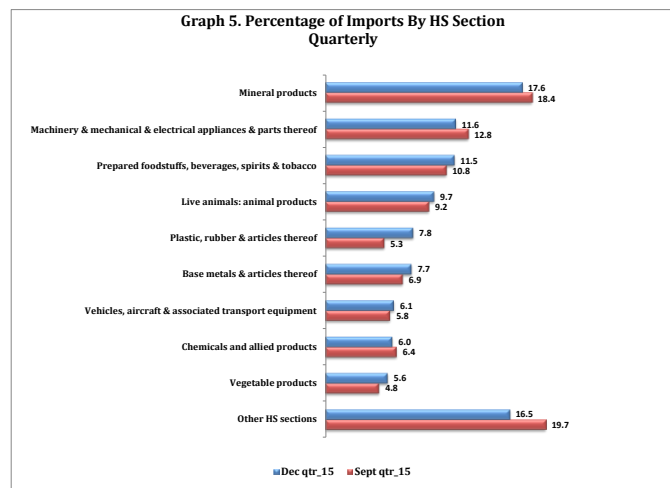
Imports of live animals and animal products accounted for 9.7 percent of total imports (\$22.0 million), increasing 7.0 percent from the previous quarter but decreasing 8.0 when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2014.

Plastic, rubber & articles thereof imports accounted for 7.8 percent of total imports, increasing 51.9 percent and 44.4 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2014 respectively.

Base metals & articles thereof imports rose 13.7 percent to \$17.5 million from the previous quarter, representing 7.7 percent of total imports. In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value of base metals & articles thereof imports decreased 1.4 percent.

Imports of vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment accounted for 6.1 percent of total imports (\$13.9 million), increasing 8.2 percent from the previous quarter but decreased 0.2 percent when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2014.

Imports of chemicals and allied products decreased 4.2 percent from the previous quarter, representing 6.0 percent (\$13.6 million) while imports of vegetable products accounting for 5.6 percent of total imports. The remaining HS Sections accounted for less than 5.0 percent each with a combined total of 16.5 percent. (See table 5 and graph 5)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Imports by Broad Economic Categories

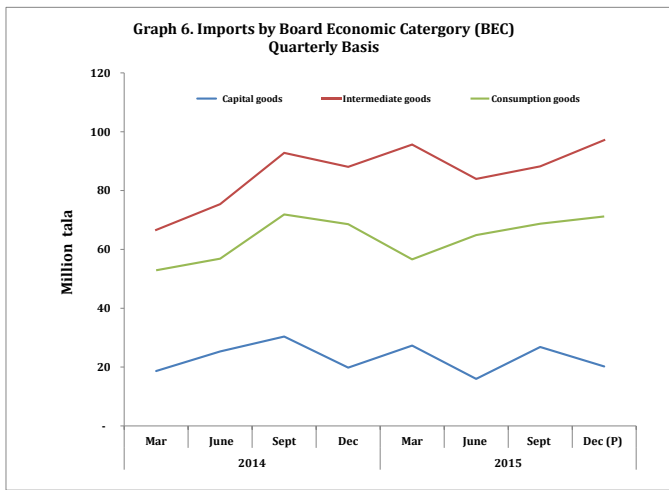
For the three main broad economic categories, intermediate and consumption goods increased in value in the December 2015 quarter, capital goods decreased.

Imports of capital goods fell 24.6 percent to \$20.2 from the previous quarter, representing 8.9 percent of total imports; driven by lower values of machinery and plant products (down \$6.2 million). In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value of capital goods increased 2.1 percent.

Imports of intermediate goods rose 10.1 percent to \$97.1 million from the previous quarter, accounting for 42.7 percent of total imports. In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value of intermediate goods increased 10.3 percent.

Imports of consumption goods rose 3.6 percent to \$71.2 from the previous quarter, contributing 31.3 percent of total imports. The increase was mainly driven by higher values of processed food and beverages for household consumption (up \$3.1 million). In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value of consumption goods increased 3.8 percent.

In other categories of goods, passenger motor cars imports increased 19.4 percent while petrol & avgas imports decreased 3.8 percent from previous quarter. (See table 6 and graph 6)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Major Source Markets of Imports

By major source markets of imports, New Zealand continued to be the leading source market of imports in the December 2015 quarter with its value decreasing to \$64.2 million (28.3 percent of all imports) from \$69.8 million in the September 2015 quarter. In comparison with the December 2014 quarter, the current value increased 8 percent.

Imports from Singapore had a total value of \$34.8 million (15.3 percent of total imports), decreasing 8.2 percent from the September 2015 quarter and 30.4 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2014.

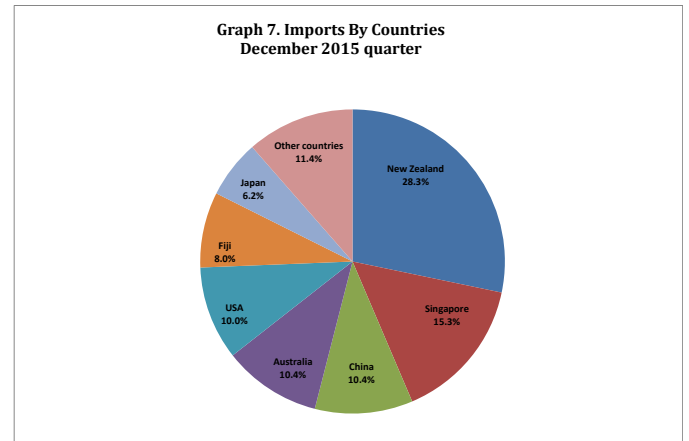
Imports from China and Australia both accounted for 10.4 percent each of total imports. Imports from China decreased 2.1 percent and 5.2 percent from the September 2015 quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2014 respectively. Imports from Australia increased 6.3 percent and 9.5 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2014 respectively.

Imports from USA accounted for 10.0 percent of total imports (\$22.6 million). This value was 12.5 percent higher than the September 2015 quarter but 6.7 percent lower than the corresponding quarter of 2014.

Imports from Fiji accounted for 8.0 percent of total imports (\$18.2 million), increasing 18.4 percent and 43.8 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2014 quarter respectively.

Imports from Japan accounted for 6.2 percent, increasing 34.9 percent from the previous quarter and 66.3 percent from the same quarter of 2014.

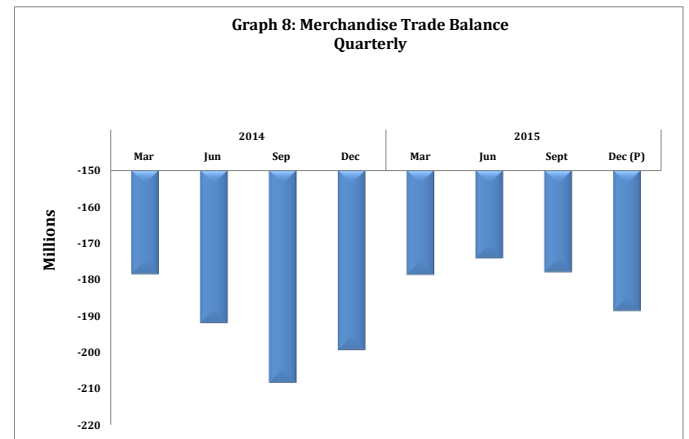
All other countries of imports accounted for less than 5.0 percent each with a combined total of 11.4 percent. (See table 7 graph 7).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Trade Balance

In the December 2015 quarter, the value of imports (\$227.4 million) exceeded that of exports (\$38.9 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$188.6 million. (See table 1 and graph 8)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached tables provide the user with more detailed information.

The March 2016 quarter Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on June 22nd 2016.

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Technical Notes

The main source of imports and exports data comes from the administrative document, a completed customs form (Single Administrative data) required to be filled in by importers and exporters or customs agents when clearing merchandise inward and outward through the Ministry for Revenue (Custom Department)

Definitions

Capital goods: are produced assets that are used repeatedly or continuously, for longer than one year, in industrial production processes. Examples are machinery, trucks, and aircraft.

cif: is the cost of goods, including insurance and freight to Samoa.

Consumption goods: are goods used (without further transformation in industrial production processes) by households, government, or non-profit institutions serving households.

Exports (including re-exports): are goods of domestic origin exported from Samoa to another country. Exports in this release are valued fob and are shown in Samoan tala.

fob: is free on board (the value of goods at Samoa ports before export).

Imports: are goods imported into Samoa. Imports in this release are valued at cif and are shown in Samoan tala.

Intermediate goods: are goods used up, or transformed in, industrial production processes.

Merchandise trade: covers exports or imports of goods that alter the nation's stock of material resources.

Provisional: statistics for the latest three months are provisional, to allow late data and amendments to be included.

Re-exports: are exports of foreign goods which were previously recorded as Samoa's imports.

Trade balance: is calculated by deducting imports (cif) from exports (fob). These two valuations are not entirely comparable, because the cif valuation includes insurance and freight to Samoa, while the fob valuation excludes insurance and freight from Samoa.

Trade deficit: occurs when the value of imports is more than the value of exports.

Trade surplus: occurs when the value of exports is more than the value of imports.

Table 1

Merchandise Trade SummaryAmount in thousand tala

Period		EXPORTS (fob) (a)	Imports (cif) (b)	Trade Balance (a-b)
2011		153,111	805,752	-652,641
2012		176,428	791,974	-615,546
2013		144,103	851,292	-707,189
2014		117,400	895,326	-777,926
2015 (P)		136,018	855,390	-719,372
Three months ended				
2014	Mar	23,289	201,821	-178,532
	Jun	26,333	218,223	-191,890
	Sep	38,656	246,873	-208,217
	Dec	29,123	228,409	-199,286
2015	Mar	24,003	202,664	-178,660
	Jun	28,393	202,557	-174,164
	Sept	44,840	222,818	-177,979
	Dec (P)	38,782	227,350	-188,569
Monthly				
2014	January	5,419	75,214	-69,794
	February	7,475	76,368	-68,893
	March	10,394	50,239	-39,845
	April	9,975	79,223	-69,248
	May	7,969	69,952	-61,983
	June	8,389	69,048	-60,659
	July	12,955	88,435	-75,480
	August	12,732	93,123	-80,391
	September	12,968	65,314	-52,346
	October	11,855	69,232	-57,378
	November	6,473	75,000	-68,527
	December	10,795	84,176	-73,381
2015	January	6,858	70,658	-63,801
	February	7,532	60,788	-53,256
	March	9,614	71,217	-61,603
	April	10,530	62,472	-51,942
	May	7,157	65,575	-58,418
	June	10,706	74,510	-63,803
	July	16,417	87,728	-71,312
	August	13,677	58,382	-44,704
	September	14,745	76,708	-61,963
	October (P)	14,507	70,753	-56,246
	November (P)	13,140	79,546	-66,407
	December (P)	11,135	77,051	-65,916

a. Exports are valued fob (free on board – the value of goods at Samoa ports before export) and include re-exports.

b. Imports are valued cif (cost, including insurance and freight to Samoa)

All values are in Samoan tala.

(P) : Provisional figures

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Data source: Samoa Customs Service and PPS establishment survey

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Table 2. **Exports of main commodities⁽¹⁾**
Amount in thousand tala (SAT, 000)

Commodity	Annual				Quarterly									
	2012	2013	2014	2015 (P)	2014				2015				% of Total	
					March	June	Sept	Dec	March	June	Sept	Dec (P)		
Fish	18,189	10,740	5,762	30,935	229	832	2,039	2,662	1,627	6,547	14,345	8,416	21.7	
Petroleum oils other than crude oil ⁽²⁾	40,542	34,524	39,402	34,379	8,141	10,746	11,928	8,588	7,695	7,888	10,594	8,202	21.1	
Ignition wiring sets, other wiring sets for vehicles, aircraft...	81,923	64,527	44,631	37,487	8,495	9,259	17,363	9,515	8,848	7,667	8,536	12,436	32.1	
Fruit Juices	1,612	3,494	3,386	6,978	1,086	953	751	596	549	1,023	3,667	1,740	4.5	
Taro	861	1,427	2,475	5,335	301	203	585	1,385	1,183	1,002	1,633	1,517	3.9	
Beer	5,979	11,394	5,820	5,914	929	559	1,562	2,770	1,293	1,036	1,276	2,309	6.0	
Coconut oil	7,800	1,414	3,457	2,654	624	581	859	1,393	1,095	960	586	14	0.0	
Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	6,871	1,552	846	563	163	232	235	215	106	181	143	134	0.3	
Fresh (Drinking coconut)	219	182	718	461	183	195	198	143	64	98	130	169	0.4	
Crisp savoury food products	325	231	108	144	0	24	25	58	10	39	81	14	0.0	
Coconut	813	1,762	1,046	251	162	178	565	141	110	90	41	11	0.0	
Natural mineral	195	513	227	13	58	159	-	10	12	1	0	0	0.0	
Desiccated	541	26	10	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Others	10,558	12,318	9,512	10,903	2,908	2,414	2,544	1,646	1,412	1,863	3,808	3,821	9.9	
Total	176,428	144,103	117,400	136,018	23,289	26,333	38,656	29,123	24,003	28,393	44,840	38,782	100.0	

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Table 3.

Exports By HS Sections
Amount in thousand tala (000)

Section	Section description	Annual				Quarter									
						2014				2015					
		2012	2013	2014	2015 (P)	March	June	Sep	Dec	March	June	Sep	Dec (P)	% of Total	
I	Animals and animal products	18,189	11,442	5,842	31,183	231	833	2,041	2,737	1,631	6614	14,350	8,589	23.3	
II	Vegetable products	2,511	3,836	4,357	8,761	683	627	1,361	1,686	1,554	1261	3,124	2,821	4.4	
III	Animal or vegetable fats	8,829	1,486	4,017	2,794	725	1,031	863	1,397	1,097	1092	591	15	3.8	
IV	Prepared foodstuff, beverages and tobacco	16,000	19,083	12,410	16,294	2,363	2,945	2,993	4,109	2,508	2654	6,276	4,856	9.3	
V	Mineral products	40,563	35,466	39,434	34,396	8,143	10,749	11,950	8,591	7,696	7888	10,607	8,205	27.8	
VI	Chemical products	397	906	130	233	9	74	12	36	42	97	49	46	0.3	
VII	Plastics and rubber	193	454	153	485	44	1	10	98	112	112	14	248	0.4	
VIII	Hides and skins	91	5	0	32	-	-	-	0	0	0	10	22	0.0	
IX	Wood and wood products	66	112	179	271	85	45	19	31	13	14	21	223	0.1	
X	Wood pulp products	13	368	49	231	20	6	7	15	9	5	13	204	0.0	
XI	Textiles and textile articles	346	664	219	122	151	37	17	14	37	3	39	42	0.0	
XII	Footwear, headgear, etc	459	491	430	260	7	125	252	46	8	111	140	1	0.4	
XIII	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, glass, etc	12	17	1	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	4	0.0	
XIV	Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones and metals	2,044	114	4	672	0	-	-	4	113	233	201	126	0.8	
XV	Base metals and articles of base metal	2,164	1,749	1,135	735	353	154	220	407	118	295	107	216	1.0	
XVI	Machinery, mechanical and electrical appliances	84,068	66,270	46,082	38,482	8,612	9,329	18,531	9,609	8,985	7761	8,814	12,922	27.3	
XVII	Transportation equipment	418	985	1,904	385	1,800	9	13	83	49	187	63	87	0.7	
XVIII	Instruments - measuring, musical	20	458	652	418	12	357	94	189	2	32	352	32	0.1	
XIX	Arms and ammunition	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0.0	
XX	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	29	172	298	163	5	2	263	28	19	2	38	104	0.0	
XXI	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	0	0	0	3	-	-	-	0	0	0	2	1	0.0	
XXII	Others	13	27	103	89	45	8	9	42	9	34	28	19	0.1	
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Table 4.

TOTAL EXPORTS BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES

Amount in thousand (SAT 000) fob

Country of Destination	Annual			Quarter								% of Total
				2014				2015				
	2013	2014	2015 (P)	March	June	Sep	Dec	March	June	Sep	Dec (P)	
Australia	81,995	67,965	57,224	12,965	14,739	24,583	15,679	13,489	12,410	14,713	16,612	42.8
American Samoa	13,051	7,348	24,943	997	1,166	1,558	3,627	2,335	5,325	11,165	6,118	15.8
New Zealand	19,800	22,418	20,293	2,696	6,382	7,326	6,015	4,328	4,621	5,580	5,763	14.9
United States of America	4,177	4,441	7,262	1,907	1,440	624	470	490	886	3,482	2,404	6.2
Japan	717	325	5,214	101	55	98	70	-	1,318	1,878	2,019	5.2
Fiji	3,497	3,551	3,944	573	667	1,061	1,249	1,011	698	1,439	797	2.1
Singapore	2,871	4,097	2,209	942	873	1,971	310	612	313	789	494	1.3
Tokelau	10,377	3,123	3,772	765	739	656	964	859	1,177	508	1,227	3.2
Taiwan	593	489	5,766	73	-	354	61	427	1,049	2,557	1,732	4.5
China	319	16	1,904	16	-	-	0	302	131	880	591	1.5
Other countries	6,707	3,628	3,488	2,253	271	425	679	150	464	1,848	1,026	2.6
Total Exports	144,103	117,400	136,018	23,289	26,333	38,656	29,123	24,003	28,393	44,840	38,782	100.0

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Table 5

IMPORTS BY HS SECTIONS

Amount in thousand tala

HS Sections	Annual		Quarter								% of Total
			2014				2015				
	2014	2015 (P)	March	June	Sept	Dec	March	June	Sep	Dec (P)	
I Live animals: animal products	87,522	85,447	17,980	21,415	24,188	23,938	18,057	24,771	20,586	22,033	9.7
II Vegetable products	36,897	43,073	7,302	9,135	10,287	10,173	8,404	11,360	10,677	12,632	5.6
III Animal or vegetable oils & fats	6,592	6,701	1,781	1,416	1,667	1,728	2,676	1,491	1,398	1,136	0.5
IV Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco	86,967	95,033	18,873	19,183	24,971	23,940	21,454	23,344	24,074	26,161	11.5
V Mineral products	233,158	145,707	66,769	58,075	55,633	52,681	25,530	39,129	41,108	39,939	17.6
VI Chemicals and allied products	53,754	56,130	11,336	12,413	14,916	15,090	15,699	12,707	14,161	13,564	6.0
VII Plastic, rubber & articles thereof	44,800	55,762	9,949	10,805	11,724	12,322	12,717	13,527	11,720	17,798	7.8
VIII Raw hides, skins, leather articles & travel goods	862	972	145	114	350	252	265	294	157	256	0.1
IX Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material	30,635	34,974	5,881	7,120	9,067	8,567	5,886	13,266	7,187	8,635	3.8
X Wood pulp, paper & paperboard & articles thereof	17,501	17,669	4,510	3,496	4,528	4,967	4,034	4,141	4,727	4,767	2.1
XI Textiles & textile articles	20,567	22,120	4,388	3,759	6,219	6,201	4,692	4,382	6,073	6,973	3.1
XII Footwear, headgear, umbrellas & parts thereof	3,178	3,283	554	489	1,101	1,035	509	707	1,185	882	0.4
XIII Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass & ceramic products	15,497	18,643	3,328	2,428	4,603	5,138	4,917	3,380	5,183	5,163	2.3
XIV Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones & metals	1,841	434	41	1,514	117	168	51	86	180	117	0.1
XV Base metals & articles thereof	63,211	66,212	14,106	14,997	16,390	17,718	20,526	12,865	15,359	17,462	7.7
XVI Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof	100,300	99,057	20,322	25,316	34,958	19,705	23,342	20,843	28,432	26,441	11.6
XVII Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment	49,648	53,555	7,646	13,914	14,144	13,944	18,490	8,296	12,855	13,914	6.1
XVIII Photographic & optical, medical & surgical goods & clocks/watches	9,792	15,536	2,260	2,582	3,628	1,323	5,287	2,317	6,155	1,776	0.8
XIX Arms and ammunition, parts & accessories thereof	109	133	29	31	22	27	19	80	1	34	0.0
XX Miscellaneous manufactured articles	32,400	34,828	4,601	9,989	8,347	9,463	10,092	5,541	11,576	7,619	3.4
XXI Works of art, collectors pieces & antiques	17	36	6	6	3	3	3	9	10	14	0.0
XXII Others	78	82	15	27	10	27	13	22	14	33	0.0
Total	895,326	855,390	201,821	218,223	246,873	228,409	202,664	202,557	222,818	227,350	100.0

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Table 6.

Imports by Board Economic Category (BEC)

Amount in thousand tala

Category	Capital goods			Intermediate goods			Consumption goods	Other categories			
	Machinery and plant	Transport equipment	Total	Crude oil	Other	Total		Passenger motor cars	Petrol and avgas	Military and other goods	All merchandise imports
BEC codes	41	521	41, 521	313	111, 121 2, 311, 312, 314, 322, 42, 53	111, 121 2, 31, 322, 42, 53	122, 522, 52, 6	51	321	7	1-7
Period											
2010	68,913	60,436	129,349	-	298,864	298,864	202,808	21,252	133,422	668	786,362
2011	106,171	24,579	130,750	-	279,530	279,530	213,131	13,589	164,886	3,866	805,752
2012	62,983	16,641	79,624	-	305,818	305,818	220,228	10,187	173,970	2,147	791,974
2013	62,839	17,656	80,495	-	332,487	332,487	243,193	14,712	180,045	359	850,933
2014	69,510	24,640	94,150	-	322,891	322,891	250,220	18,974	207,558	1,533	895,326
2015 (P)	61,379	28,931	90,310	-	364,956	364,956	261,359	18,931	119,731	102	855,390
Quartely											
2014 Mar	15,356	3,298	18,654	-	66,623	66,623	52,922	2,817	60,801	3	201,821
June	19,835	5,492	25,328	-	75,378	75,378	56,839	6,970	52,217	1,491	218,223
Sept	22,200	8,167	30,366	-	92,810	92,810	71,902	4,315	47,469	10	246,873
Dec	12,119	7,682	19,801	-	88,080	88,080	68,557	4,872	47,071	28	228,409
2015 Mar	14,012	13,294	27,306	-	95,630	95,630	56,606	3,690	19,425	6	202,664
June	12,778	3,194	15,972	-	83,964	83,964	64,846	3,887	33,816	71	202,557
Sept	20,378	6,432	26,810	-	88,221	88,221	68,718	5,174	33,893	2	222,818
Dec (P)	14,210	6,012	20,221	-	97,141	97,141	71,188	6,180	32,597	22	227,350
Monthly											
2014											
January	4,535	697	5,232	-	24,411	24,411	20,277	757	24,535	2	75,214
February	4,381	1,697	6,078	-	19,089	19,089	14,359	803	36,038	1	76,368
March	6,440	904	7,344	-	23,123	23,123	18,286	1,257	229	0	50,239
April	11,400	3,534	14,935	-	21,545	21,545	20,874	4,134	17,728	7	79,223
May	4,830	1,052	5,882	-	26,085	26,085	17,290	1,702	17,520	1,473	69,952
June	3,605	906	4,511	-	27,748	27,748	18,675	1,134	16,968	11	69,048
July	9,833	4,824	14,658	-	31,403	31,403	20,284	1,076	21,010	5	88,435
August	7,519	2,487	10,006	-	34,514	34,514	29,794	1,805	16,999	6	93,123
September	4,847	856	5,703	-	26,892	26,892	21,824	1,435	9,460	-	65,314
October	3,996	1,721	5,717	-	27,621	27,621	19,436	1,892	14,565	2	69,232
November	3,154	2,838	5,992	-	27,455	27,455	22,469	1,085	17,973	25	75,000
December	4,969	3,123	8,093	-	33,004	33,004	26,652	1,894	14,533	1	84,176
2015											
January	3,001	10,304	13,305	-	26,736	26,736	16,265	1,058	13,294	-	70,658
February	5,732	1,723	7,456	-	33,766	33,766	18,698	830	33	6	60,788
March	5,280	1,266	6,546	-	35,127	35,127	21,643	1,802	6,098	1	71,217
April	4,334	848	5,181	-	22,680	22,680	21,385	1,289	11,936	1	62,472
May	3,105	1,528	4,633	-	26,486	26,486	21,792	1,602	11,028	33	65,575
June	5,339	818	6,158	-	34,798	34,798	21,670	996	10,852	37	74,510
July	9,102	2,784	11,886	-	33,740	33,740	26,976	2,345	12,781	-	87,728
August	5,668	2,091	7,759	-	22,678	22,678	16,688	1,676	9,580	1	58,382
September	5,609	1,557	7,166	-	31,803	31,803	25,053	1,153	11,532	1	76,708
October (P)	4,977	1,629	6,606	-	30,485	30,485	19,476	2,098	12,068	20	70,753
November (P)	4,800	2,407	7,206	-	35,216	35,216	24,200	2,518	10,406	1	79,546
December (P)	4,433	1,976	6,409	-	31,440	31,440	27,513	1,564	10,124	1	77,051

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Table 7

TOTAL IMPORTS BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES

Amount in thousand (SAT 000) cif

Country of Export	Annual			Quarter									% of Total
				2014				2015					
	2013	2014	2015 (P)	March	June	Sept	Dec	March	June	Sep	Dec (P)		
New Zealand	254,361	250,392	253,903	51,856	54,186	84,841	59,509	62,560	57,304	69,752	64,287	28.3	
Singapore	193,942	218,448	132,528	64,298	54,597	49,485	50,069	24,593	35,185	37,926	34,824	15.3	
China, Peoples Republic of	69,325	93,819	103,716	14,596	34,164	20,130	24,928	32,046	23,900	24,138	23,632	10.4	
Australia	61,611	79,086	90,829	16,970	16,677	23,793	21,646	20,810	24,047	22,280	23,692	10.4	
United States of America	105,248	90,139	82,683	20,986	22,784	22,112	24,257	15,514	24,409	20,120	22,640	10.0	
Fiji	48,843	48,140	58,180	9,553	11,478	14,426	12,683	10,859	13,685	15,398	18,238	8.0	
Japan	31,275	32,724	42,362	5,056	7,497	11,741	8,430	8,856	9,094	10,395	14,018	6.2	
Thailand	19,974	20,249	19,355	4,719	3,849	4,454	7,227	4,929	3,025	6,005	5,396	2.4	
Hong Kong	14,711	12,474	11,089	2,617	2,130	2,517	5,210	2,363	1,717	3,159	3,850	1.7	
Viet Nam	1,774	2,222	5,890	437	582	0	1,203	248	559	3,036	2,047	0.9	
Malaysia	13,274	9,993	22,851	2,367	2,991	1,490	3,146	11,219	2,115	2,807	6,710	3.0	
Indonesia	13,420	13,445	14,388	3,389	2,617	3,271	4,168	4,123	3,453	2,758	4,055	1.8	
Taiwan, Province of China	2,258	2,567	3,128	544	332	330	1,361	368	908	1,092	759	0.3	
Korea Democratic People's	1,713	2,505	1,607	435	1,044	170	856	689	226	519	172	0.1	
Papua New Guinea	2,395	1,362	1,208	297	474	408	183	208	258	412	330	0.1	
India	3,364	2,975	1,080	808	435	784	949	400	120	209	351	0.2	
Philippines	2,404	848	788	460	50	307	32	293	140	166	189	0.1	
Tonga	954	1,143	643	156	233	312	441	169	96	149	229	0.1	
Korea Republic of	2,289	1,845	830	693	364	251	537	268	292	64	205	0.1	
Other countries	8,158	10,949	8,332	1,585	1,739	6,050	1,575	2,150	2,024	2,432	1,726	0.8	
Total Imports	851,292	895,326	855,390	201,821	218,223	246,873	228,409	202,664	202,557	222,818	227,350	100.0	

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