



International Merchandise Trade

May 2025

Highlights of the month

May 2025 compared with April 2025

Merchandise Exports¹

- ❖ The total value of exports in May 2025 increased by 2.2% (or \$0.1 million) to \$5.7 million. This increase was driven by higher exports and re-exports in the following categories:
 - ❖ Mineral fuels and mineral oil products (up \$0.3 million)
 - ❖ Electrical machinery and equipment (up \$0.3 million)
 - ❖ Beverages, spirits and vinegar products (up \$0.09 million)
 - ❖ Fruits, nuts and edible products (up \$0.02 million)
- ❖ Exports to the Oceania region had the largest share of 57.7% of total exports (\$3.3 million), reflecting a 10.0% (or \$0.3 million) increase when compared to the previous month.
- ❖ Exports to New Zealand at \$1.6 million (an increase of \$0.4 million), Fiji at \$0.3 million (an increase of \$0.1 million), and the United States, valued at \$1.9 million (an increase of \$0.05 million), recorded the largest increases in May 2025. The increases in exports and re-exports of petroleum products, beer, wire products for boards and panels, among others, were the main drivers of these increases.

Merchandise Imports

- ❖ In May 2025, the total value of imports declined by 4.5% (or \$5.2 million) to \$110.5 million. This reduction was driven by lower imports in the following categories:
 - ❖ Vehicles other than railway-related products (down \$2.8 million)
 - ❖ Nuclear reactors, boilers, and machinery products (down \$1.8 million)
 - ❖ Dairy products (down \$0.6 million)
 - ❖ Preparations of cereals, flour, and starch products (down \$1.0 million)
- ❖ Imports from the Asia region recorded the largest decrease in May 2025, dropping by \$8.5 million compared to the previous month, with a total value of \$48.8 million. This was primarily due to lower imports of vehicles and related products, as well as electrical machinery, meat products, and other items.
- ❖ Imports from China totaled \$10.6 million (down \$3.0 million), Korea at \$4.5 million (down \$4.3 million), and the USA at \$9.3 million (down \$1.5 million), recording the largest decreases in the reviewed month. Lower imports of vehicles and parts, excavators, and food items like chicken leg quarters, among other products, were the drivers of these reductions.

Trade Balance

- ❖ In May 2025, total imports of \$110.5 million exceeded exports of \$5.7 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$104.8 million. The trade deficit decreased by 4.8% compared to the previous month but was 22.0% higher than the same month last year.

¹ Includes re-exports commodities





Fefa'ataua'iga o Oloa Me 2025

Oto'otoga o le Masina

Masina o Me 2025 faatusa ia Aperila 2025

'Oloa 'auina atu i fafo²

- ❖ O le tau aofai o oloa auina atu i fafo i le masina o Me 2025, na si'itia i le 2.2% (poo le \$0.1 miliona) i le \$5.7 miliona. O lenei si'itaga na mafua mai i oloa oloo i vaega ua taua i lalo e pei o:
 - ❖ Suāu'u (si'itia \$0.3 miliona)
 - ❖ Masini mo auaunaga tau eletise ma isi (si'itia i le \$0.3 miliona)
 - ❖ Vaiinu, ava malosi ma isi oloa (si'itia i le \$0.09 miliona)
 - ❖ Fua/i'o o laau 'aina (si'itia i le \$0.02 miliona)
- ❖ O oloa auina atu i le itulagi o Oseania sa faamauina le tele o lona sao e 57.7% i le tau aofai o oloa auina i fafo (\$3.3 milion), faamauina ai le si'itia maua luga i le 10.0% (poo le \$0.3 milion) pea faatusa i le masina ua mavae.
- ❖ O oloa auina atu i Niu Sila e \$1.6 miliona le tau aofai (si'itia i le \$0.4 miliona), Fiti e \$0.3 miliona le tau aofai (si'itia i le \$0.1 miliona) ma Amerika e \$1.9 miliona le tau aofai (si'itia i le \$0.05 miliona) na faamauina le si'itia i le masina o Me 2025. O lenei siitaga na mafua mai i oloa e pei o suāu'u, uaea, pia ma isi oloa.

'Oloa 'auina mai

- ❖ I le masina o Me 2025, o le tau aofai o oloa auina mai fafo na pa'u maua lalo i le 4.5 % (poo le \$5.2 miliona) i le \$110.5 miliona. O lenei pa'u na mafua mai i oloa oloo i vaega ua taua i lalo e pei o:
 - ❖ Taavale, o vaega ma isi mea faaopopo (pa'u i le \$2.8 miliona)
 - ❖ Masini tetele faaogaina ai le eletise ma isi mea faigaluega (pa'u i le \$1.8 miliona)
 - ❖ Oloa gaosia mai i le susu (pa'u i le \$0.6 miliona)
 - ❖ Oloa gaosia i falaoamata ma isi (pa'u i le \$1.0 miliona)
- ❖ O oloa na auina mai i le itulagi o Asia i le masina o Me 2025 na faamauina le pa'u i le \$8.5 miliona pea faatusa i le masina ua mavae, ma lona tau aofa'i e \$48.8 miliona. O lenei faaitiitia na mafua mai i oloa e pei o taavale, masini tau eletise, oloa gaosia i aano manu fasi ma isi oloa.
- ❖ O oloa auina mai i Saina e \$10.6 miliona (pa'u i le \$3.0 miliona), Korea e \$4.5 miliona (pa'u i le \$4.3 miliona) ma Amerika e \$9.3 miliona (pa'u i le \$1.5 miliona) ma na faamauina le pa'u maua lalo i lenei masina. O nei oloa e aofia ai taavale ma ona vaega, masini tetele mo galuega, ma meaai e pei o le moa, falaoamata ma isi oloa.

Paleni o Fefa'ataua'iga

- ❖ O le tau aofai o oloa na auina mai fafo e \$110.5 miliona, ao oloa na auina atu i fafo e \$5.7 miliona, faamauina ai le eseesega e \$104.8 miliona o le paleni o fefa'atauaiga o oloa ia Me 2025. O lenei paleni na faamauina le pa'u maua lalo i le 4.8% pe'a faatusa i le masina ua tuana'i, peita'i e 22.0% na si'itia ai pe'a faatusa i le masina lava lea i le tausaga ua mavae.

² Aofia ai ma oloa mai i fafo toe auina (faatau) atu i fafo



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Me 2025

TRADE BALANCE
\$104,790,503.00 (Deficit)
↓ (4.8 %)

TOTAL IMPORTS
\$110,518,461.
↓ (\$5.2 million)

TOTAL EXPORTS
\$5,727,958
↑ (\$0.1 million)

GOVERNMENT
\$4,473,442

PRIVATE SECTORS
\$106,045,019

DOMESTIC EXPORT
\$2,303,181

RE-EXPORTS
\$3,424,777

Main Imports:

✚ Mineral fuels	\$24.5 million
✚ Meat and edible products	\$8.6 million
✚ Vehicles and other products	\$7.9 million
✚ Nuclear and other products	\$7.4 million

Main Exports:

✚ Mineral fuel & oils products	\$3.1 million
✚ Animal or vegetable fats & products	\$1.1 million
✚ Electrical machinery & products	\$0.7 million
✚ Beverage, spirits and vinegar	\$0.2 million

Top 5 Countries

✚ New Zealand	\$35.3 million
✚ Singapore	\$24.8 million
✚ China	\$10.6 million
✚ USA	\$9.3 million
✚ Fiji	\$9.2 million

Total share of the Top 5 countries 80.7%

Top 5 Countries

✚ USA	\$1.9 million
✚ New Zealand	\$1.6 million
✚ Tokelau	\$0.4 million
✚ Australia	\$0.6 million
✚ Fiji	\$0.3 million

Total share of the Top 5 countries 85.6%



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached tables provide users with more detailed information.

Technical Notes

The primary source of import and export data is the administrative document, the completed customs form (Single Administrative data - SAD). The form is required to be filled out by importers, exporters, or customs agents when clearing merchandise inward and outward through the Ministry of Customs and Revenue.

The June 2025 Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on August 13, 2025.

