

International Merchandise Trade

August 2025

Highlights of the month

August 2025 compared with July 2025

Merchandise Exports¹

- ❖ The total value of exports in August 2025 decreased by 14.2% (or \$1.0 million) to \$6.1 million. This was driven by lower exports and re-exports in the following categories:
 - ❖ Fats and oil products (down \$0.7 million)
 - ❖ Electrical machinery and equipment products (down \$0.5 million)
 - ❖ Fish and crustacean products (down \$0.2 million)
 - ❖ Fruit, nuts, and products (down \$0.04 million)
- ❖ Exports to the Oceania region with a total value of \$4.3 million, decreased by \$0.8 million when compared to the previous month. This decline was mainly driven by reduced electrical machinery and lower exports of fish to American Samoa.
- ❖ Exports to New Zealand, valued at \$2.3 million (a decrease of \$0.1 million), the USA at \$1.0 million (a decrease of \$0.5 million), and Tokelau at \$0.5 million (a decrease of \$0.3 million), recorded the largest decreases in August 2025. These were driven by lower exports and re-exports of coconut oil products, apparatus wires, drinking coconut, coconuts and other items.

Merchandise Imports

- ❖ In August 2025, the total value of imports increased by 1.0% (or \$1.0 million) to \$93.2 million. This increase was driven by higher imports in the following categories:
 - ❖ Mineral fuels, mineral oils, and products (up \$20.6 million)
 - ❖ Plastics and articles products (up \$1.5 million)
 - ❖ Preparations of meat, of fish, crustaceans' products (up \$0.8 million)
 - ❖ Salt products (up \$1.0 million)
- ❖ Imports from the Asia region recorded the largest increase in August 2025, rising \$20.4 million compared to the previous month, with a total value of \$45.9 million.
- ❖ Imports from Singapore totaled \$22.1 million (an increase of \$20.9 million), Korea at \$7.8 million (an increase of \$1.9 million), and Thailand at \$1.2 million (an increase of \$0.3 million), recording the largest increases in the reviewed month. Higher imports of petroleum products, plastics, and food products, such as salt and canned goods, among other products, were the main drivers of this expansion.

Trade Balance

- ❖ In August 2025, total imports of \$93.2 million exceeded exports of \$6.1 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$87.1 million. The trade deficit increased by 2.3% compared to the previous month but was 26.2% lower than the same month last year.

¹ Includes re-exports commodities





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Oto'otoga o le Masina

Masina o Aukuso 2025 faatusa ia Iulai 2025

'Oloa 'auina atu i fafo²

- ❖ I le masina o Aukuso 2025, ole tau aofai o oloa auina atu i fafo na faaititia i le 14.2% (poo le \$1.0 miliona) i le \$6.1 miliona. O lenei pa'ū na mafua mai i oloa e pei o:
 - ❖ Oloa gaosia mai I ga'o o manu ma laau (pa'ū i le \$0.7 miliona)
 - ❖ Masini tetele faaogaina ai le eletise ma isi mea faigaluega (pa'ū i le \$0.5 miliona)
 - ❖ I'a, figota ma isi (pa'ū i le \$0.2 miliona)
 - ❖ Fua/i'o o laau 'aina (pa'ū i le \$0.04 miliona)
- ❖ O oloa auina atu i le itulagi o Oseania e \$4.3 miliona lona tau aofai, faamauina ai le pa'ū maualalo e \$0.8 miliona pe'a faatusa i le masina ua mavae, mafua mai i oloa na auina atu I Amerika Samoa e pei o uaea ma i'a.
- ❖ O oloa auina atu i Niu Sila e \$2.3 miliona le tau aofai (pa'ū i le \$0.1 miliona), Amerika e \$1.0 miliona le tau aofai (pa'ū i le \$0.5 miliona) ma Tokelau e \$0.5 miliona (pa'ū i le \$0.3 miliona), na faamauina le pa'ū maualalo i le masina o Aukuso 2025, ma e mafua mai i oloa auina atu i fafo e pei o suāu'u, uaea ma isi oloa.

'Oloa 'auina mai

- ❖ I le masina o Aukuso 2025, o le tau aofai o oloa auina mai fafo na si'itia i le 1.0% (poo le \$1.0 miliona) i le \$93.2 miliona. O lenei si'itia na mafua mai i oloa o loo i vaega ua taua i lalo e pei o:
 - ❖ Suāu'u (si'itia i le \$20.6 miliona)
 - ❖ Oloa gaosia i uga (si'itia i le \$1.5 milion)
 - ❖ Oloa gaosia mai i aano o i'a ma figota (si'itia i le \$0.8 miliona)
 - ❖ Oloa tau masima ma isi (si'itia i le \$1.0 miliona)
- ❖ O oloa na auina mai i le itulagi o Asia e \$45.9 miliona lona tau aofai, faamauina ai le si'itia maualuga i le \$20.4 miliona i le masina Aukuso 2025, pea faatusa i le masina ua te'a.
- ❖ O oloa auina mai i Sigapoa e \$22.1 miliona (si'itia i le \$20.9 miliona), Korea e \$7.8 miliona (si'itia i le \$1.9 miliona), ma Thailand \$1.2 miliona (si'itia i le \$0.3 miliona), na faamauina le si'itia maualuga i le masina o Aukuso 2025. O nei oloa e aofia ai oloa gaosia mai i uga, meaai e pei o apa eleni, masima ma isi oloa.

Paleni o Fefa'ataua'iga

- ❖ I le masina o Aukuso 2025, o le tau aofai o oloa na auina mai fafo e \$93.2 miliona na sili atu nai lo o oloa na auina atu i fafo e \$6.1 miliona, faamauina ai le eseese e \$87.1 miliona o le paleni o fefa'atauaiga o oloa. O lenei paleni na faamauina le siitia i le 2.3% pe'a faatusa i le masina ua tuanai, ae 26.2% na pau maualalo ai pea faatusa masina lava lea i le tausaga ua mavae.

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



Fefa'ataua'iga o Oloa

Aukuso 2025

TRADE BALANCE
\$87,126,719.00 (Deficit)
↑ (2.3 %)

TOTAL IMPORTS

\$93,226,797.00
↑ (\$0.9 million)

GOVERNMENT

\$4,923,533.00

PRIVATE SECTORS

\$88,303,264.00

Main Imports:

✚ Mineral fuels products	\$23.1 million
✚ Vehicles; other than railway products	\$5.6 million
✚ Electrical machinery & equipment	\$5.2 million
✚ Nuclear reactors, boilers, products	\$5.2 million

Top 5 Countries

✚ New Zealand	\$28.2 million
✚ Singapore	\$22.1 million
✚ China, People Republic	\$9.0 million
✚ Korea Republic of	\$7.8 million
✚ Australia	\$6.5 million

Total share of the Top 5 countries 78.9%

TOTAL EXPORTS

\$6,100,078.00
↓ (\$1.0 million)

DOMESTIC EXPORT

\$2,102,223.00

RE-EXPORTS

\$3,997,855.00

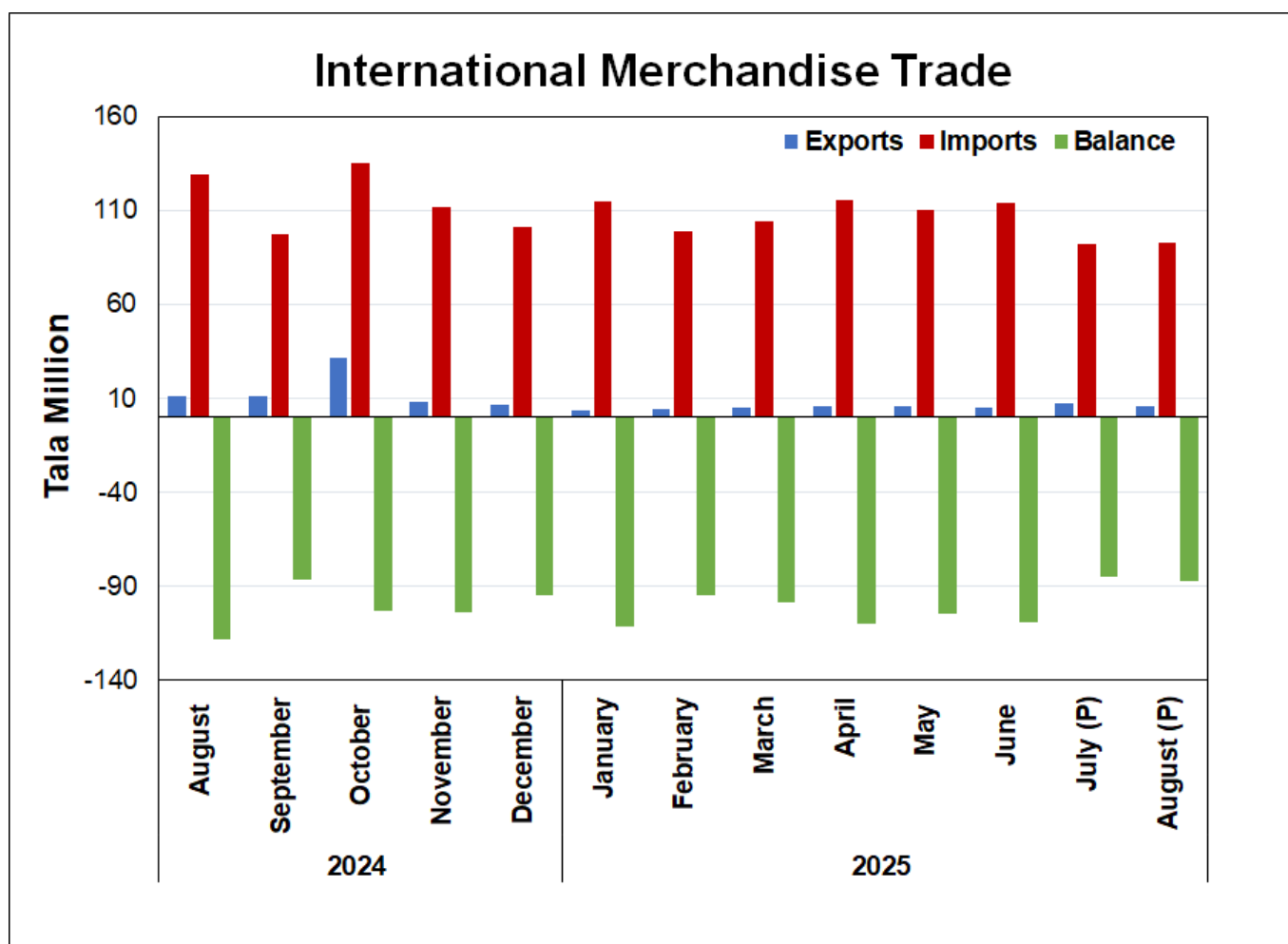
Main Exports:

✚ Mineral fuel & oils products	\$4.2 million
✚ Electrical machinery and equipment	\$0.6 million
✚ Preparations of vegetables, fruit	\$0.2 million
✚ Dairy produce, birds' eggs	\$0.2 million

Top 5 Countries

✚ New Zealand	\$2.3 million
✚ USA	\$1.0 million
✚ Tokelau	\$0.5 million
✚ China	\$0.5 million
✚ Fiji	\$0.4 million

Total share of the Top 5 countries 77.9%



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 September 2025 Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on November 13, 2025.

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