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# International Merchandise Trade March 2025

# Highlights of the month

March 2025 compared with February 2025

### Merchandise Exports<sup>1</sup>

- In March 2025, the total value of exports rose by 22.2% (or \$1.0 million) to \$5.5 million. This increase was driven by higher exports and re-exports of:
  - Mineral fuels, mineral oil products (up \$0.1 million)
  - Animal or vegetable fats and oils products (up \$1.1 million)
  - Beverages, spirits, and vinegar products (up \$0.07 million)
  - Fruits and nuts, edible products (up \$ 0.2 million)
- Exports to the America region totaled \$1.5 million, showing the largest increase of \$1.1 million in the reviewed period. This was largely attributed to the increase in coconut oil and taro exports to the United States, among other items.
- Exports to the United States, valued at \$1.5 million (an increase of \$1.4 million), American Samoa at \$0.5 million (an increase of \$0.2 million), and Singapore at \$0.5 million (an increase of \$0.3 million), recorded the largest increases in March 2025. These increases were driven by higher exports and re-exports of petroleum products, coconut oil, beer, and other items.

# Merchandise Imports

- The total value of imports in March 2025 increased by 4.9% (or \$4.9 million) to \$103.9 million. This was driven by higher imports of:
  - Mineral fuels and mineral oils products (up \$3.5 million)
  - Electrical machinery and equipment products (up \$1.2 million)
  - Preparations of cereal, flour, pastrycooks' products (up \$1.9 million)
  - Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery, and products (up \$0.7 million)
- Imports from the Oceania region, valued at \$48.4 million, recorded the largest increase in March 2025 (up \$7.9 million). This was mainly due to higher imports of petroleum products, plywood, cereal products, and other items.
- Imports from Singapore at \$27.1 million (up \$4.1 million), New Zealand at \$29.1 million (up \$3.6 million), and Fiji at \$10.1 million (up \$2.4 million) recorded the largest increases in the reviewed month. These increases were primarily driven by higher imports of petroleum products, transformers, nuclear reactors, and other items.

#### Trade Balance

In March 2025, total imports of \$103.9 million exceeded exports of \$5.5 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$98.5 million. The trade deficit was 4.1% higher compared to the previous month and 25.3% higher than the same month last year.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes re-exports commodities



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# **Fefa'ataua'iga o Oloa** Mati 2025

# <u>Oto'otoga o le Masina</u>

Masina o Mati 2025 faatusa ia Fepuari 2025

# 'Oloa 'auina atu i fafo<sup>2</sup>

- I le masina o Mati 2025, o le tau aofai o oloa auina atu i fafo na si'itia i le 22.2% (poo le \$1.0 miliona) i le \$5.5 miliona. O lenei si'itaga na mafua mai i oloa e pei o:
  - Suāu'u (si'itia \$0.1 miliona)
  - Oloa gaosia I ga'o o manu ma laau (si'itia i le \$1.1 miliona)
  - Vaiinu, ava malosi ma isi oloa (si'itia i le \$0.07 miliona)
  - Fua/l'o o laau'aina (si'itia i le \$0.2 miliona)
- O oloa auina atu i le itulagi o Amerika e \$1.5 miliona lona tau aofai, faamauina ai le si'itia maualuga I le \$1.1 milion pe'ā faatusa i le masina ua mavae, mafua mai i oloa na auina atu i Amerika e pei o suāu'u popo ma talo.
- O oloa auina atu i Amerika e \$1.5 miliona le tau aofai (si'itia i le \$1.4 miliona), Amerika Samoa e \$0.5 miliona le tau aofai (si'itia i le \$0.2 milion) ma Sigapoa e \$0.5 miliona le tau aofai (si'itia i le \$0.3 miliona), na faamauina le si'itia i le masina o Mati 2025, ma e mafua mai lea si'itaga i oloa auina atu i fafo e pei o oloa tau suāu'u, 'ava malosi, suāu'u popo ma isi oloa.

### 'Oloa 'auina mai

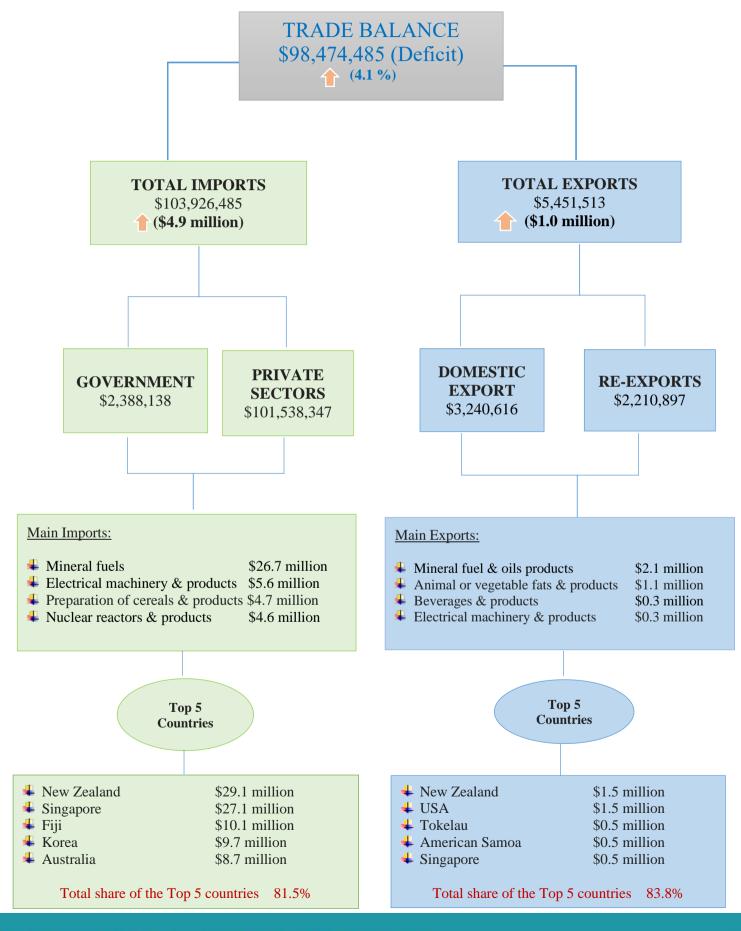
- O le tau aofai o oloa auina mai fafo i le masina o Mati 2025 e \$103.9 miliona, na si'itia maualuga i le 4.9% (poo le \$4.9 miliona). O lenei si'itia na mafua mai i oloa e pei o:
  - Suāu'u (si'itia i le \$3.5 miliona)
  - Masini mo auaunaga tau eletise ma isi (si'itia i le \$1.2 miliona)
  - Oloa gaosia i falaoamata ma isi (si'itia i le \$1.9 miliona)
  - Masini tetele fa'aogaina ai le eletise ma isi mea faigaluega (si'itia i le \$0.7 miliona)
- O oloa na auina mai i le itulagi o Oseania e \$48.4 miliona lona tau aofai, faamauina ai le si'itia maualuga i le \$7.9 miliona pe'a faatusa i le masina ua te'a. O lenei si'itia na mafua mai i oloa e pei o suāu'u, masini tau eletise ma isi oloa.
- O oloa auina mai i Sigapoa e \$27.1 miliona (si'itia i le \$4.1 miliona), Niu Sila e \$29.1 miliona (si'itia i le \$3.6 miliona) ma
  Fiti e \$10.1 miliona (si'itia i le \$2.4 miliona), na faamauina le si'itia maualuga pea faatusa i le masina ua mavae. O nei oloa e aofia ai suāu'u, masini faaoga ai le eletise ma isi oloa.

# Paleni o Fefa'ataua'iga

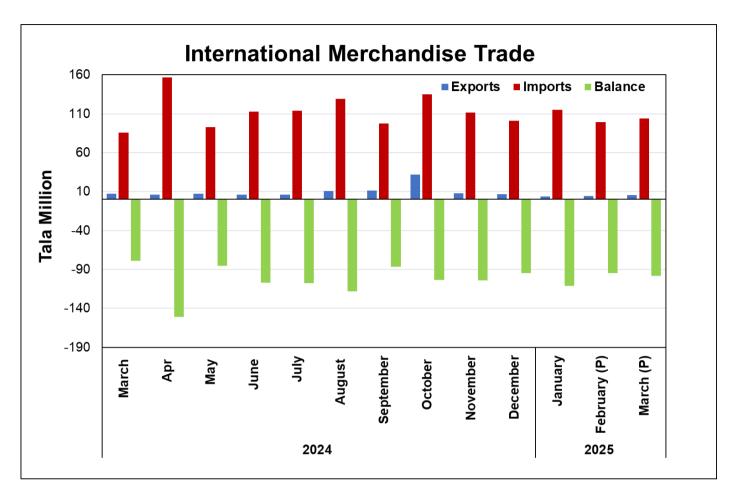
O le tau aofai o oloa na auina mai fafo e \$103.9 miliona, sa faamauina le sili atu i oloa na auina atu i fafo e \$5.5 miliona, faamauina ai le paleni o fefa'atauaiga o oloa ia Mati 2025 i lona eseesega e \$98.5 miliona. O lenei paleni na faamauina le si'itia i le 4.1% pe'ā faatusa i le masina ua tuana'i, ae 25.3% pe'ā faatusa i le masina lava lea i le tausaga ua mavae.

<sup>2</sup> Aofia ai ma oloa mai i fafo toe auina (faatau) atu I fafo









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 April 2025 Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on June 16, 2025.

