



# International Merchandise Trade

April 2026

## Highlights of the month

April 2026 compared with March 2026

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

- ❖ In April 2026, the total value of exports reduced by 4.9% (or \$0.3 million) to \$4.9 million. This reduction was driven by lower exports and re-exports in the following sections:
  - ❖ Vegetable products (down \$0.07 million)
  - ❖ Live animals and animal products (down \$0.06 million)
  - ❖ Prepared foodstuff, beverages, spirits & tobacco products (down \$0.4 million)
  - ❖ Machinery & mechanical & electrical products (down \$0.6 million)
- ❖ The largest decreases in exports were recorded for New Zealand, at \$1.4 million (down \$0.7 million), Tokelau at \$0.4 million (down \$0.5 million), and Australia at \$0.3 million (down \$0.4 million). These declines were mainly driven by lower exports of coconuts, coconut cream, fish, beer, and waste and scrap, among others.
- ❖ As a result, exports to the Oceania region totaled \$2.8 million, a decline of \$1.8 million compared to the previous month. In comparison with the same month last year, total exports to the Oceania region were \$0.2 million lower.

### Merchandise Imports

- ❖ The total value of imports in April 2026 decreased by 25.0% (or \$26.8 million) to \$80.5 million. This decrease was driven by a reduction in the following categories:
  - ❖ Mineral products (down \$25.2 million)
  - ❖ Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco products (down \$1.9 million)
  - ❖ Textiles & textile articles products (down \$1.5 million)
  - ❖ Chemicals and allied products (down \$1.2 million)
- ❖ Imports from Singapore valued at \$0.5 million (down \$25.6 million), China at \$9.4 million (down \$4.1 million), and New Zealand at \$28.3 million (down \$1.0 million), recorded the largest decreases in the reviewed month. This was primarily due to lower importation of petroleum products, fabrics, paper products, and beverage products, among others.
- ❖ Imports from the Asia region totaled \$20.6 million in April 2026, a sharp decline of \$26.5 million from the previous month. This was mainly due to a reduction in petroleum imports, among other products.

### Trade Balance

- ❖ The total value of imports (\$80.5 million) exceeded the value of exports (\$4.9 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$75.5 million. Compared to the previous month, this trade deficit decreased by 26.0%, and it was 31.4% lower than the same month last year.

<sup>1</sup> Includes re-exports commodities

## Fefa'ataua'iga o Oloa Aperila 2026

### Oto'otoga o le Masina

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#### 'Oloa tu'uina atu i atunu'u i fafo<sup>2</sup>

- ❖ I le masina o Aperila 2026, o le tau aofai o oloa tuuina atu i atunuu i fafo na faaitiitia i le 4.9% (poo le \$0.3 miliona) i le \$4.9 miliona. O lenei pa'ū na mafua mai i oloa e pei o:
  - ❖ Fua/l'o o laau 'aina (pa'ū i le \$0.07 miliona)
  - ❖ Manu ola ma 'aano o manu fasi (pa'ū i le \$0.06 miliona)
  - ❖ Oloa gaosi, vai inu, ava malosi ma isi (pa'ū i le \$0.4 miliona)
  - ❖ Masini tetele fa'aogaina ai le eletise ma isi mea faigaluega (pa'ū i le \$0.6 miliona)
- ❖ O oloa tuuina atu i Niu Sila e \$1.4 miliona le tau aofai (pa'ū i le \$0.7 miliona), Tokelau e \$0.4 miliona le tau aofai (pa'ū i le \$0.5 miliona) ma Ausetalia e \$0.3 miliona (pa'ū i le \$0.4 miliona), na faamauina le pa'ū maualalo i le masina o Aperila 2026, mafua mai i le faaitiitia o oloa e pei o suāu'u popo, i'a, 'ava malosi, uaea tau eletise ma isi.
- ❖ O oloa auina atu i le itulagi o Oseania e \$2.8 miliona lona tau aofai, sa faamauina le pa'ū maualalo i le \$1.8 miliona pe'a faatusa i le masina ua mavae. Pe a faatusa i le masina lava lenei i le tausaga ua mavae, e \$0.2 miliona na faaititia mai ai.

#### 'Oloa 'auina mai i atunu'u i fafo

- ❖ O le tau aofai o oloa na auina mai i totonu o Samoa i le masina o Aperila 2026 na faaitiitia i le 25.0% (poo le \$26.8 miliona) i le \$80.5 miliona. O lenei pa'ū na mafua mai i oloa o loo i vaega ua taua i lalo:
  - ❖ Suāu'u (pa'ū i le \$25.2 miliona)
  - ❖ Oloa gaosi, vai inu, ava malosi ma isi oloa (pa'ū i le \$1.9 miliona)
  - ❖ Oloa tau ie (pa'ū i le \$1.5 miliona)
  - ❖ Vailaau ma isi oloa tau vailaau (pa'ū i le \$1.2 miliona)
- ❖ O oloa auina mai i Sigapoa e \$0.5 miliona (pa'ū le \$25.6 miliona), Saina e \$9.4 miliona (pa'ū i le \$4.1 miliona), ma Niu Sila e \$28.3 miliona (pa'ū i le \$1.0 miliona) na faamauina le pa'ū maualalo I le masina o Aperila 2026. O nei oloa e aofia ai suāu'u, ie mo lavalava, oloa tau pepa, 'ava malosi ma isi.
- ❖ O oloa na auina mai i le itulagi o Asia e \$20.6 miliona lona tau aofai ia Aperila 2026, na faamauina ai le pa'ū maualalo i le \$26.5 miliona mai le masina ua mavae. O lenei pa'ū na mafua mai i le faaitiitia o suāu'u na auina mai le masina o Aperila 2026.

#### Paleni o Fefa'ataua'iga

- ❖ O le tau aofai o oloa na auina mai (\$80.5 miliona) na faamauina lona sili atu i oloa na tuuina atu i fafo (\$4.9 miliona), faamauina ai le paleni o fefa'atauaiga o oloa i lona eseese e \$75.5 miliona. O lenei paleni na faamauina le faaitiitia i le 26.0% ma le 31.4% pe'a faatusa i le masina ua tuana'i ma le masina o Aperila i le tausaga ua mavae.

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

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**TRADE BALANCE**  
\$75,513,438.00 (Deficit)  
↓ (26.0 %)

**TOTAL IMPORTS**  
↓ \$80,450,337.00  
(\$26.8 million)

**TOTAL EXPORTS**  
↓ \$4,936.899.00  
(\$0.3 million)

**GOVERNMENT**  
\$3,889,249.00

**PRIVATE SECTORS**  
\$76,561,088.00

**DOMESTIC EXPORT**  
\$832,314.00

**RE-EXPORTS**  
\$4,104,585.00

Main Imports for the month:

✚ Vehicles; other and products	\$7.6 million
✚ Nuclear reactors, boilers, products	\$7.5 million
✚ Meat and edible meat offal	\$7.0 million
✚ Electrical machinery & equipment	\$5.6 million

Main Exports/Re-exports for the month:

✚ Mineral fuels products	\$2.8 million
✚ Animal or Vegetable fats & oils	\$1.0 million
✚ Vegetables & certain roots products	\$0.3 million
✚ Fruit and nuts, edible products	\$0.2 million

**Top 5 Countries**

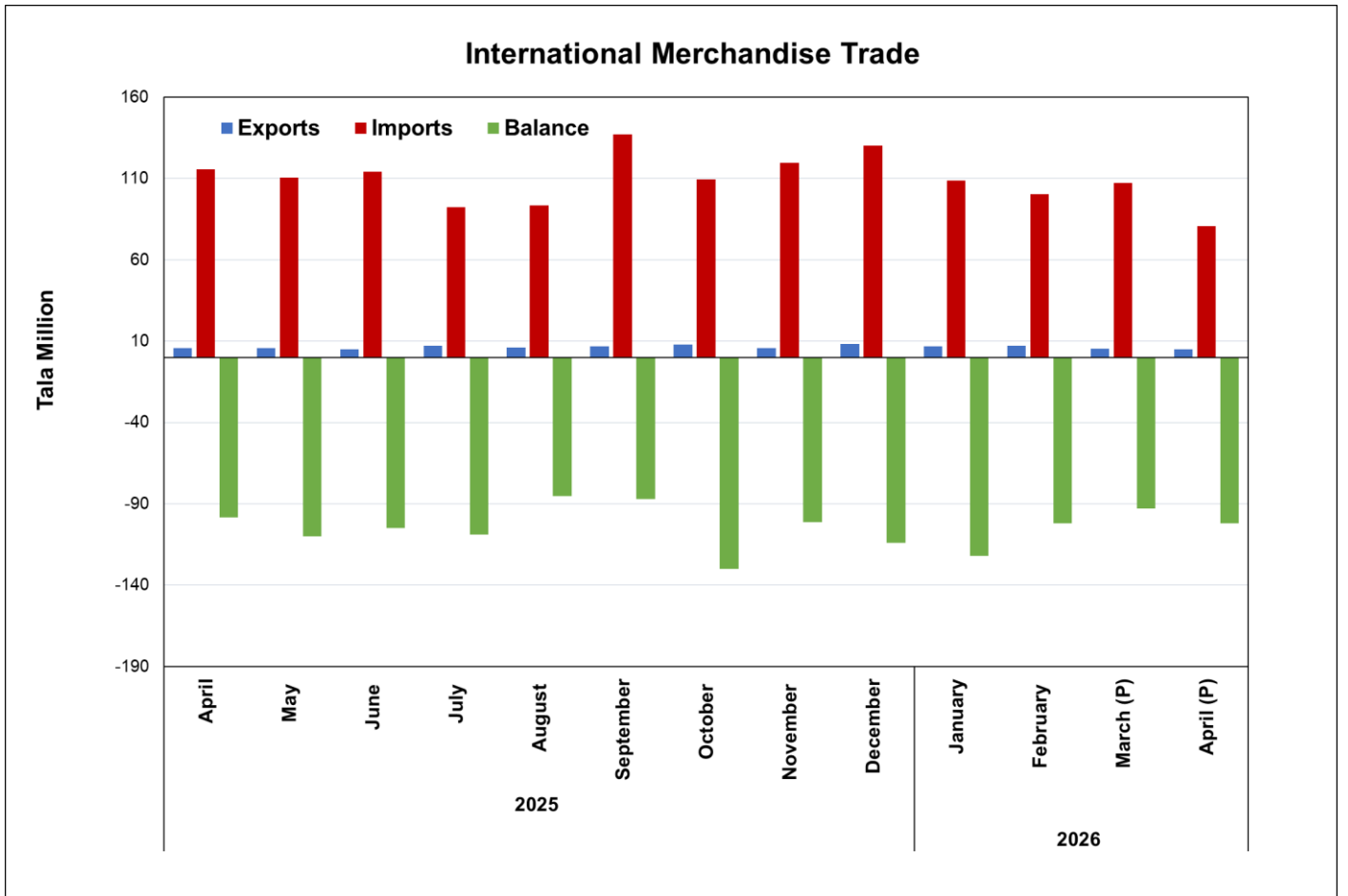
✚ New Zealand	\$28.3 million
✚ Fiji	\$12.5 million
✚ Australia	\$10.4 million
✚ China	\$9.4 million
✚ USA	\$7.1 million

Total share of the Top 5 countries 84.2%

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✚ New Zealand	\$1.4 million
✚ USA	\$1.2 million
✚ Singapore	\$0.7 million
✚ Tokelau	\$0.4 million
✚ Fiji	\$0.4 million

Total share of the Top 5 countries 83.9%



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.

## Definitions

### **Merchandise Exports**

Includes both Exports and re-exports.

- **Exports** refer to goods that are produced, manufactured, or significantly transformed within Samoa and then shipped to other countries.
- **Re-exports** refer to goods that are previously imported into Samoa and then exported again without undergoing substantial transformation. These goods may be stored, repackaged, or redistributed before being sent to another country.

### **Introduction of New Tables**

Starting January 2026, new tables have been added to provide more detailed information and enhanced data accessibility. These tables have been added in response to user requests and complement the existing tables. These new tables include:

- Tables 2 & 6: Exports and Imports by broad groups/HS sections.
- Table 4 & 8: Major exports and by agricultural products and main imports and by NCD-related items.
- Tables 10 & 11: Combined presentation of exports and imports by country and by region, reflecting trade balances.

The May 2026 Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on **July 14, 2026**.

