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### Overseas Merchandise Trade November 2020

#### **Highlights of the month**

*November 2020 compared with October 2020*

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

- ❖ The total value of merchandise exports decreased 31.8 percent (or \$2.7 million) to \$5.9 million in November 2020.
- ❖ By main commodities, the monthly decrease was due to reduction of:
  - ✓ Fish, crustaceans and molluscs' (down \$2.0 million)
  - ✓ Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products (down \$0.19 million)
  - ✓ Beverages, spirits and vinegar (down \$0.21 million)
  - ✓ Electrical machinery and equipment (down \$0.02 million)
  - ✓ Fruits and nuts (down \$0.06 million)
- ❖ Exports to American Samoa (down \$2.0 million) and Australia (down \$0.27 million) recorded largest decreases in November 2020 reflecting reductions of fish, taro, beer and nonu juice exports to name a few.
- ❖ Despite the decline, American Samoa remained the leading destination for Samoa's exports with a total share of 36.1 percent of total merchandise exports value.

#### **Merchandise Imports**

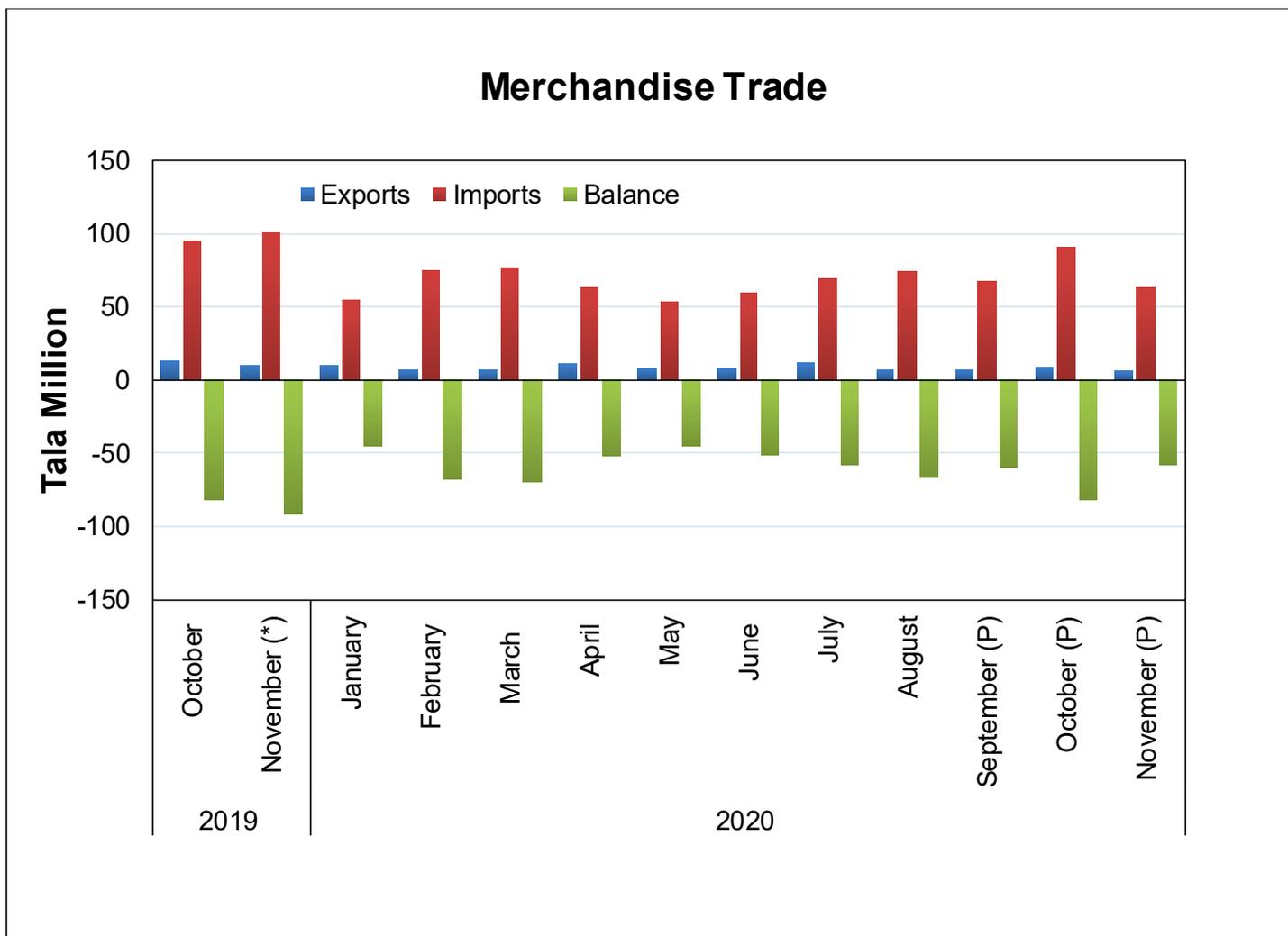
- ❖ The total value of merchandise imports decreased 29.8 percent (or \$27.0 million) to \$63.5 million in November 2020.
- ❖ By main commodities, this fall was mainly driven by:
  - ✓ Meat and edible meat offal (down \$1.8 million)
  - ✓ Wood and articles of wood (down \$1.9 million)
  - ✓ Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products (down \$11.1 million)
  - ✓ Pharmaceutical products (down \$11.3 million)
- ❖ Asia region documented the largest decrease (down by \$13.87 million), with Singapore the main driver of the current fall (down by \$11.48 million) reflecting the reduction of petroleum imports in November 2020.

#### **Trade Balance**

- The total value of merchandise imports (\$63.5 million) exceeded that of merchandise exports (\$5.9 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$57.6 million in the month of November 2020.

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



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached tables provide the user with more detailed information

**Technical Notes**

The main source of imports and exports data comes from the administrative document; a completed customs form (Single Administrative data-SAD) which is 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)

The December 2020 Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on February 15<sup>th</sup> 2021.

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**Table 1: Overseas Merchandise Trade**  
**Values (000 tala) <sup>(1)(2)</sup>**

Period		Exports	Imports	Balance
<b>Annual</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	136,018	855,390	-719,372
	2016	143,755	899,005	-755,250
	2017	112,215	900,997	-788,782
	2018	119,204	939,443	-820,239
	2019 (P)	130,098	1,031,313	-901,215
<b>Quarter</b>				
<b>2016</b>	March	28,256	220,835	-192,579
	June	35,098	226,981	-191,883
	September	44,936	224,418	-179,482
	December	35,466	226,772	-191,306
<b>2017</b>	March	25,871	210,126	-184,255
	June	31,138	210,684	-179,546
	September	30,834	235,475	-204,641
	December	24,372	244,712	-220,340
<b>2018</b>	March	20,050	197,020	-176,969
	June	25,858	227,652	-201,794
	September	36,021	250,123	-214,103
	December	37,276	264,649	-227,373
<b>2019</b>	March	30,683	226,898	-196,215
	June	31,965	255,687	-223,722
	September	34,841	251,566	-216,726
	December	32,608	297,161	-264,553
<b>2020</b>	March	24,478	206,424	-181,945
	June (P)	26,893	175,366	-148,472
	Sep (P)	26,002	210,136	-184,134
<b>Month</b>				
<b>2017</b>	January	7,690	69,698	-62,008
	February	10,181	61,294	-51,113
	March	8,000	79,134	-71,134
	April	7,589	66,272	-58,684
	May	9,191	72,040	-62,849
	June	14,358	72,371	-58,013
	July	8,952	70,292	-61,340
	August	11,450	80,356	-68,905
	September	10,432	84,827	-74,395
	October	8,390	80,446	-72,056
	November	7,482	93,942	-86,460
	December	8,501	70,324	-61,824
<b>2018</b>	January	6,181	74,546	-68,365
	February	5,784	68,186	-62,402
	March	8,085	54,288	-46,203
	April	7,988	84,084	-76,096
	May	10,060	79,576	-69,517
	June	7,810	63,992	-56,182
	July	11,542	79,733	-68,191
	August	12,833	92,981	-80,147
	September	11,645	77,409	-65,764
	October	16,842	100,917	-84,074
	November	10,460	70,701	-60,241
	December	9,973	93,031	-83,058
<b>2019</b>	January	11,694	74,815	-63,122
	February	7,402	61,818	-54,415
	March	11,587	90,266	-78,678
	April	7,659	72,648	-64,990
	May	10,122	97,409	-87,287
	June	14,184	85,630	-71,446
	July	8,991	80,521	-71,530
	August	13,508	92,458	-78,950
	September	12,342	78,587	-66,245
	October	12,998	95,510	-82,512
	November (*)	9,740	101,432	-91,692
	December	9,870	100,218	-90,348
<b>2020</b>	January	9,900	54,741	-44,841
	February	7,300	74,938	-67,637
	March	7,278	76,745	-69,467
	April	11,088	62,770	-51,682
	May	7,924	53,370	-45,446
	June	7,882	59,226	-51,344
	July	11,465	68,981	-57,516
	August	7,528	73,980	-66,452
	September (P)	7,009	67,175	-60,166
	October (P)	8,582	90,442	-81,859
	November (P)	5,856	63,476	-57,619

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**Symbols**

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Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

Notes: (\*) HS - Samoa Customs Tariff (HS2017 applies to November 2019 and later data. HS2012 is used for earlier data.)

**Table 2: Exports by main Commodities**

Values (000 tala) <sup>(1)(2)</sup>

HS Code	Commodity	Annual			Quarter				Month				
		2017	2018	2019(P)	2019		2020		2019	2020			
					Sep	Dec	Jun (P)	Sep (P)	Nov (*)	Aug	Sep (P)	Oct (P)	Nov (P)
3	Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	33,259	33,836	46,415	15,466	12,690	8,461	10,204	2,538	2,366	2,682	3,828	1,814
7	Vegetables	10,863	7,386	7,915	2,270	1,847	2,089	2,751	637	788	959	665	936
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	32,617	30,663	32,165	9,525	7,959	2,258	2,567	2,920	843	864	862	671
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	5,316	7,341	5,238	1,425	1,394	841	1,265	466	607	22	758	549
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	8,816	3,273	4,879	973	929	4,677	1,929	226	766	362	306	287
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	4,352	10,258	12,237	833	821	541	285	338	148	58	125	267
12	Oil seeds	177	477	950	327	494	242	212	173	121	61	28	182
94	Furniture, furnishings and light fittings	148	301	554	118	228	397	216	111	50	61	41	157
8	Fruit and nuts	1,904	1,960	2,024	306	603	455	773	183	412	177	212	143
24	Tobacco	462	699	1,337	293	696	301	722	214	247	189	237	125
18	Cocoa	638	908	587	224	187	88	318	1	40	10	26	120
64	Footwear	333	464	216	105	1	0	103	-	4	-	-	118
72-73	Iron and steel and articles	1,130	692	845	171	253	219	174	48	26	35	49	109
16	Meat and fish preparation	598	451	376	67	152	182	54	44	3	46	13	54
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	138	357	623	257	188	158	152	45	10	10	49	45
4	Dairy	160	477	308	75	126	496	263	61	76	100	82	44
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	75	235	84	26	3	31	64	0	6	28	54	32
34	Soaps and polishes	78	270	1,020	491	493	3,367	2,104	1	708	693	698	22
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	206	390	481	145	49	169	35	17	4	8	154	21
2	Meat and edible offal	706	4,846	583	94	186	57	65	34	8	34	38	18
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	532	505	808	39	340	54	51	267	2	32	16	18
19	Cereal preparations	896	1,113	741	94	191	35	40	11	12	14	19	15
15	Fats and oils	2,190	2,268	4,830	468	1,746	181	283	1,044	4	2	-	15
44	Wood and articles of wood	203	429	371	36	130	241	308	80	117	132	14	15
62	Apparel and clothing accessories	217	314	454	194	112	0	22	1	-	8	-	1
39	Plastics and articles	1,112	3,677	1,005	112	23	383	39	4	21	4	4	1
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	55	470	68	15	36	41	84	14	16	51	96	-
25	Mineral substances	306	291	325	85	72	77	268	46	6	25	78	-
38	Chemical products n.e.s.	244	311	730	217	93	6	33	17	14	2	53	-
23	Food wastes	896	1,309	166	18	54	20	52	49	29	-	37	-
17	Sugar	56	152	61	17	13	13	5	5	-	-	-	-
10	Cereals	67	143	105	23	51	109	7	16	-	-	-	-
...	Others	3,462	2,937	1,688	329	448	703	554	130	74	340	40	78
<b>01-98</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>130,188</b>	<b>34,841</b>	<b>32,608</b>	<b>26,894</b>	<b>26,002</b>	<b>9,740</b>	<b>7,528</b>	<b>7,009</b>	<b>8,582</b>	<b>5,856</b>

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**Table 3: Exports (value) by major items, SITC (3)**  
**Values (000 tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>**

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter						Month						
				2019				2020		2019	2020					
	2017	2018	2019 (P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec(P)	Mar	Jun (P)	Sep (P)	Nov(*)	Jul	Aug	Sep (P)	Oct (P)	Nov (P)
Food & Live Animal	54,898	63,598	73,254	18,610	17,285	19,941	17,418	11,092	12,803	14,993	4,113	6,910	3,927	4,156	5,226	3,477
Beverages & Tobacco	5,683	8,012	6,563	1,156	1,610	1,707	2,089	1,934	1,143	2,225	680	922	853	450	995	688
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	2,081	1,017	881	228	298	116	239	228	413	434	67	167	186	81	44	254
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	32,613	30,656	32,159	7,104	7,572	9,524	7,959	6,984	2,258	2,567	2,920	860	843	864	862	671
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	1,398	1,580	2,110	3	398	198	1,511	708	8	10	1,005	6	4	0	0	0
Chemicals & Related Products	1,447	1,649	4,021	1,257	1,072	840	852	226	3,627	2,487	57	1,017	739	731	770	73
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	2,548	2,904	2,625	211	792	572	1,050	565	886	645	189	357	113	175	164	68
Machinery & Transport Equipment	9,475	4,212	6,066	1,520	2,081	1,271	1,194	1,671	4,898	2,150	538	954	778	418	373	333
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	2,072	5,577	2,369	593	858	671	246	1,071	858	490	142	271	85	134	149	293
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	0	0	49	0	0	0	49	0	0	1	29	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>130,098</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>31,965</b>	<b>34,841</b>	<b>32,608</b>	<b>24,478</b>	<b>26,894</b>	<b>26,002</b>	<b>9,740</b>	<b>11,465</b>	<b>7,528</b>	<b>7,009</b>	<b>8,582</b>	<b>5,856</b>

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**Table 4: Exports by Region, by main Countries of Destination**

Values (in '000 Tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter						Month					
	2017	2018	2019 (P)	2019				2020		2019		2020			
				Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec(P)	Mar	Jun (P)	Sep (P)	Nov (*)	Aug	Sep (P)	Oct (P)	Nov (P)
	<b>Region</b>														
Africa	32	1	10	0	2	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
America	7,597	11,549	16,829	7,050	4,139	2,669	2,972	2,175	3,630	2,537	1,262	780	820	735	183
Asia	13,781	19,118	22,115	3,989	4,913	6,857	6,356	3,912	3,780	2,076	1,793	60	453	887	517
Europe	635	977	1,055	332	218	234	272	1,270	264	135	102	106	-	-	5
Oceania	90,170	87,474	90,087	19,312	22,694	25,081	23,000	17,121	19,218	21,254	6,582	6,581	5,736	6,954	5,152
Other	0	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0
	<b>Top Countries</b>														
New Zealand	22,076	21,101	20,762	4,623	5,684	5,582	4,873	4,149	4,385	5,149	1,845	1,596	1,308	1,356	1,620
Australia	24,051	12,850	10,663	2,592	3,511	2,338	2,223	2,182	3,208	1,202	590	583	275	637	368
American Samoa	29,876	31,779	40,423	8,494	7,757	13,100	11,072	6,408	7,306	10,563	2,376	2,862	2,589	4,139	2,116
Fiji	4,496	4,234	3,323	832	699	879	913	585	10	99	240	99	-	-	-
Tokelau	9,159	16,439	11,301	2,543	2,918	2,594	3,245	2,688	3,145	2,088	1,347	479	722	527	225
China	1,281	1,446	1,767	293	428	440	606	656	192	128	165	-	82	-	5
Taiwan	6,038	8,716	8,152	945	1,665	2,836	2,706	1,680	916	1,574	828	590	427	548	350
Japan	4,028	3,995	5,640	969	545	2,098	2,028	816	2,506	1,312	192	41	405	181	443
Singapore	978	1,571	2,064	398	591	625	450	42	31	30	308	23	-	33	102
USA	6,253	11,214	15,127	6,001	3,687	2,563	2,876	2,076	3,546	2,577	1,262	780	962	735	183
Other countries	3,979	5,860	10,875	2,994	4,478	1,785	1,617	3,195	1,648	1,280	587	475	239	426	443
<b>Total</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>130,097</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>31,965</b>	<b>34,841</b>	<b>32,608</b>	<b>24,478</b>	<b>26,893</b>	<b>26,002</b>	<b>9,740</b>	<b>7,528</b>	<b>7,009</b>	<b>8,582</b>	<b>5,856</b>

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Table 5: Imports by main Commodities

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HS Code	Commodity	Annual			Quarter								Month				
		2017	2018	2019 (P)	2019				2020				2019		2020		
					Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec (P)	Mar (P)	Jun (P)	Sep (P)	Nov (*)	Jul	Aug	Sep (P)	Oct (P)	Nov (P)
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	58,733	68,629	94,809	17,185	30,484	20,790	26,350	13,809	10,679	15,891	7,844	3,664	4,964	7,264	6,427	8,139
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	49,175	50,752	65,448	9,417	14,648	22,637	18,746	12,244	11,614	14,925	7,774	4,763	5,344	4,818	4,055	5,333
2	Meat and edible meat offal	68,225	65,488	69,433	10,990	17,500	20,117	20,825	15,733	14,890	16,455	5,680	5,170	5,733	5,553	6,307	4,485
4	Dairy	27,564	29,274	31,626	6,802	8,535	7,533	8,756	6,912	7,822	7,945	2,465	2,734	2,359	2,852	2,067	3,453
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	65,998	55,480	69,003	19,375	15,846	11,958	21,824	15,463	11,000	11,223	7,783	4,604	3,963	2,656	3,260	3,291
19	Cereal preparations	26,319	29,884	29,417	7,080	7,065	6,820	8,453	6,305	7,668	6,624	2,875	1,798	2,222	2,604	2,828	2,820
44	Wood and articles of wood	30,278	31,139	34,940	6,266	8,673	8,132	11,869	3,652	4,899	8,783	5,298	3,172	3,353	2,258	4,402	2,496
72-73	Iron and steel	57,000	46,784	54,211	15,404	11,851	12,163	14,794	10,739	4,400	10,335	4,503	2,583	3,255	4,497	2,987	2,159
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	144,208	178,467	182,429	48,549	35,552	45,460	52,868	40,676	21,040	26,211	20,645	7,755	17,373	1,083	13,186	2,061
11	Milling industry products	13,700	14,247	15,459	3,205	3,777	4,136	4,341	2,779	3,509	3,978	1,606	1,457	1,080	1,441	881	1,819
39	Plastics and articles	28,833	29,232	29,660	6,439	7,858	6,986	8,377	4,829	5,064	4,952	3,089	1,860	1,454	1,637	2,314	1,658
34	Soaps and polishes	11,577	15,141	12,662	2,558	2,972	3,377	3,756	3,407	3,934	3,506	1,313	1,092	1,257	1,157	932	1,461
30	Pharmaceutical products	12,455	13,930	12,875	2,280	3,421	4,126	3,048	2,213	2,287	3,477	1,024	1,111	1,682	684	12,749	1,442
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	17,167	18,298	18,038	3,609	4,287	5,016	5,127	3,987	3,673	3,728	1,518	1,192	980	1,556	1,836	1,419
16	Meat and fish preparation	19,171	24,251	19,612	4,481	3,852	4,674	6,605	5,551	5,510	5,225	2,513	1,893	1,296	2,036	2,095	1,396
25	Mineral substances	15,517	16,378	18,956	4,815	4,311	3,543	6,287	2,755	3,025	6,350	1,687	1,856	2,207	2,287	2,169	1,219
48	Paper products	14,883	16,865	17,234	4,080	4,449	4,144	4,561	3,727	3,388	4,606	1,436	1,816	716	2,074	1,382	1,166
62	Apparel not knitted and crocheted	7,787	8,585	12,034	1,953	2,805	3,618	3,658	1,060	845	1,465	1,234	337	438	689	194	1,127
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	10,331	10,225	10,569	3,582	2,465	2,087	2,435	2,333	2,831	2,366	973	486	434	1,445	670	1,013
76	Aluminium	8,161	7,411	10,060	2,511	3,117	1,378	3,054	1,963	1,125	1,613	701	665	485	463	863	1,000
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparation	8,590	9,226	9,391	1,752	2,268	2,850	2,521	1,557	2,525	2,827	1,199	1,121	809	897	728	788
32	Dyes, tannin, and paint	7,390	7,440	9,913	2,508	2,437	2,366	2,602	1,518	1,318	1,653	730	357	664	632	1,106	713
17	Sugar	16,780	14,117	13,049	2,390	3,357	3,341	3,960	2,046	3,874	4,365	1,453	1,619	1,508	1,238	1,147	701
3	Fish	3,693	5,137	5,949	1,300	1,048	1,521	2,081	1,404	1,242	1,073	571	221	298	554	492	684
55	Man-made staple fibres	5,091	5,251	7,168	1,868	1,364	1,692	2,243	1,091	499	767	535	285	257	225	81	640
40	Rubber	8,585	9,802	7,967	1,721	2,198	1,852	2,197	1,503	2,137	1,903	688	465	754	683	863	634
7	Vegetables	9,909	9,249	9,474	2,264	2,510	2,163	2,537	2,124	1,873	2,000	753	755	553	692	715	588
68	Stone	6,669	6,397	6,916	1,624	1,689	1,540	2,063	2,147	644	905	466	173	296	437	778	576
69	Ceramic products	3,709	4,673	5,931	1,727	1,158	1,468	1,578	1,938	572	1,268	587	368	325	575	634	542
94	Furniture	15,559	13,486	17,788	3,737	5,631	3,491	4,929	2,484	1,749	3,389	1,016	1,879	734	776	845	534
95	Toys and games	3,310	3,710	8,846	432	6,179	907	1,328	419	494	865	643	471	164	229	419	532
20	Vegetable, fruit, and nut preparations	4,750	6,562	7,978	1,490	1,721	2,500	2,267	1,818	1,474	1,520	739	571	364	585	761	527
22	Beverages	9,432	8,870	7,400	1,133	2,079	2,208	1,980	1,156	1,211	1,011	501	334	138	539	436	510
38	Chemical products n.e.c.	9,983	10,618	9,952	2,122	2,631	2,538	2,660	2,032	2,214	2,147	795	1,155	528	464	1,120	504
61	Knitted and crocheted apparel	2,833	3,583	4,342	938	1,393	846	1,165	1,023	228	755	389	192	153	410	224	432
64	Footwear	2,850	2,685	2,424	431	526	830	637	506	493	629	201	88	306	235	136	372
15	Fats and oils	8,201	8,495	8,136	1,661	2,050	2,435	1,990	1,621	2,535	2,231	523	1,185	346	699	900	363
23	Food wastes	4,571	4,655	4,750	1,081	1,229	1,056	1,384	1,215	1,311	1,274	445	434	318	523	564	338
90	Optical, medical, and measuring equipment	9,492	9,316	9,520	2,742	2,066	1,303	3,410	2,803	8,531	1,771	1,583	804	446	521	1,719	337
83	Miscellaneous metal articles	3,262	3,695	4,342	678	1,290	1,294	1,080	740	540	567	562	279	104	184	410	305
70	Glass and glassware	7,786	6,083	7,104	1,488	2,279	1,027	2,310	864	1,338	1,421	584	232	366	824	580	303
8	Fruits and nuts	3,866	3,974	3,723	722	820	961	1,219	660	628	974	355	343	322	309	262	299
24	Tobacco	2,555	2,751	3,120	559	1,004	1,031	526	959	605	234	243	53	181	-	219	268
63	Made up textile articles	3,428	3,985	5,262	564	2,245	991	1,462	621	562	748	488	264	246	238	262	248
37	Photographic equipment	1,188	2,396	2,332	719	807	343	463	508	459	468	163	221	113	133	129	234
10	Cereals	10,446	16,613	11,484	2,895	1,995	3,346	3,248	3,502	2,683	6,270	893	3,394	1,310	1,566	1,146	223
9	Coffee, tea, and spices	2,255	3,130	2,164	580	436	612	536	540	429	658	169	207	137	314	225	200
49	Books and newspapers	15,560	2,229	3,380	392	693	1,652	643	3,146	416	292	94	89	135	68	214	168
82	Metal tools and cutlery	3,495	3,861	3,567	897	842	854	973	506	572	974	174	308	275	392	329	138
52	Cotton	1,097	1,093	817	355	107	246	110	600	42	63	17	4	27	32	51	133
18	Cocoa	1,331	1,596	1,198	146	334	340	378	243	240	236	55	84	96	56	138	130
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	1,613	1,822	2,521	364	531	499	1,128	511	449	332	805	99	77	156	206	99
...	Others	14,616	12,482	14,930	3,034	5,305	2,768	3,823	2,482	2,281	4,889	1,049	916	1,038	2,935	999	1,456
<b>01-98</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>1,031,313</b>	<b>226,898</b>	<b>255,687</b>	<b>251,566</b>	<b>297,161</b>	<b>206,424</b>	<b>175,366</b>	<b>210,136</b>	<b>101,432</b>	<b>68,981</b>	<b>73,980</b>	<b>67,175</b>	<b>90,442</b>	<b>63,476</b>

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Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

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**Table 6: Imports (value) by major items, SITC(3)**  
**Values (000 tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>**

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter									Month				
				2019			2020			2019			2020				
	2017	2018	2019 (P)	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun (P)	Sep (P)	Nov (*)	Jul	Aug	Sep (P)	Oct (P)	Nov(P)		
Food & Live Animal	232,794	249,568	246,220	59,256	64,850	72,483	55,446	57,112	62,915	22,329	22,135	18,717	22,063	21,637	19,140		
Beverages & Tobacco	11,548	11,226	10,100	3,013	3,050	2,422	1,992	2,021	1,103	688	288	317	498	559	734		
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	24,438	31,810	35,063	10,068	7,696	10,244	3,611	5,111	8,731	4,613	3,135	3,839	1,757	3,686	2,167		
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	143,389	173,370	175,246	32,563	44,806	52,499	39,806	19,635	25,249	20,509	7,549	16,682	1,018	13,051	1,870		
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	5,766	6,144	5,940	1,432	1,854	1,399	1,139	2,059	1,730	344	986	209	535	753	310		
Chemicals & Related Products	62,072	70,209	69,884	17,496	18,994	18,967	13,886	15,345	16,356	6,850	5,886	5,697	4,773	17,545	5,811		
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	148,194	139,555	159,098	39,243	33,494	45,815	30,437	20,214	33,588	13,476	9,604	10,214	13,770	12,364	10,367		
Machinery & Transport Equipment	178,973	175,742	230,974	62,158	55,595	67,015	41,971	36,586	42,261	23,405	13,246	14,290	14,725	13,774	16,884		
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	93,809	81,783	98,777	30,455	21,225	26,313	18,131	17,269	16,188	9,219	6,148	4,012	6,028	7,042	6,187		
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	13	35	11	2	2	4	4	15	14	0	3	3	8	32	6		
<b>Total</b>	<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>1,031,313</b>	<b>255,687</b>	<b>251,566</b>	<b>297,161</b>	<b>206,424</b>	<b>175,366</b>	<b>208,136</b>	<b>101,432</b>	<b>68,981</b>	<b>73,980</b>	<b>65,175</b>	<b>90,442</b>	<b>63,476</b>		

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Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

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**Table 7: Imports by Region, by main Countries of Exports**

 Values (in '000 Tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter					Month						
	2017	2018	2019(P)	2019			2020		2019	2020					
				Jun	Sep	Dec (P)	Jun (P)	Sep (P)	Nov (*)	Jul	Aug	Sep (P)	Oct (P)	Nov (P)	
	<b>Region</b>														
Africa	47	195	41	13	14	1	20	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	
America	103,318	95,229	93,527	23,889	24,466	30,356	21,099	21,787	11,495	6,569	7,308	7,910	9,118	5,824	
Asia	383,539	427,408	489,645	118,254	116,515	139,211	66,918	72,990	43,915	21,788	31,794	19,408	33,269	19,403	
Europe	25,772	8,257	10,952	3,002	2,712	1,460	123	1,080	738	159	876	45	116	174	
Oceania	388,321	408,355	437,147	110,530	107,860	126,134	87,206	112,276	45,284	40,463	34,002	37,811	47,939	38,075	
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	<b>Top Countries</b>														
New Zealand	237,966	255,627	270,086	67,945	66,967	76,195	49,333	66,527	27,235	21,310	21,870	23,347	25,256	21,758	
Australia	94,593	93,040	93,043	24,614	22,525	25,678	21,278	21,109	9,739	7,408	6,508	7,193	17,109	7,549	
Fiji	52,437	53,839	66,895	16,430	16,715	21,449	16,283	18,663	8,063	6,167	5,355	7,141	5,540	8,541	
United States of America	100,314	92,867	90,688	22,877	24,007	29,502	20,570	21,968	11,245	6,958	7,308	7,702	9,062	5,723	
China	81,607	84,772	127,719	46,946	18,765	31,635	13,209	19,259	7,896	8,558	3,694	7,007	6,509	3,531	
Hong Kong	33,544	45,888	50,131	10,356	10,832	15,801	9,796	10,539	6,852	1,067	5,016	4,456	4,456	4,347	
Indonesia	10,407	12,325	11,160	2,595	2,779	2,731	2,785	2,104	465	1,344	456	304	528	523	
Japan	38,474	39,987	40,280	7,610	12,028	13,091	10,002	5,678	4,160	2,078	1,630	1,970	2,768	2,153	
Malaysia	7,476	7,022	9,788	3,020	2,084	3,000	1,147	1,393	849	758	190	445	380	392	
Philippines	1,137	850	1,990	460	518	350	89	191	64	121	1	69	4	5	
Singapore	149,180	173,563	174,133	32,651	46,023	50,890	20,833	26,010	16,994	8,551	16,080	1,379	12,623	1,145	
Thailand	21,893	26,839	28,481	5,424	5,816	9,578	4,077	5,348	2,223	1,665	2,612	1,071	2,780	3,530	
India	2,433	5,732	12,268	1,237	8,062	1,740	165	266	861	94	172	0	515	26	
Korea Democratic People's	3,338	4,843	4,783	370	409	3,039	972	1,068	1,383	210	158	700	215	0	
Korea Republic	17,088	18,106	19,583	5,471	6,186	5,400	2,237	4,126	2,194	435	1,783	1,908	2,483	3,478	
Papua New Guinea	664	346	580	167	34	95	92	94	36	94	0	0	0	0	
Tonga	187	489	296	38	140	59	45	92	17	63	29	0	0	130	
Taiwan, Province of China	1,371	2,433	4,551	273	1,583	1,713	371	609	254	510	1	98	6	272	
Viet Nam	11,894	3,408	5,035	1,385	1,203	1,490	939	630	522	630	0	0	0	0	
Other countries	34,995	17,466	19,824	5,820	4,889	3,726	1,144	2,463	381	961	1,117	385	208	373	
<b>Total</b>	<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>1,031,313</b>	<b>255,687</b>	<b>251,566</b>	<b>297,161</b>	<b>175,366</b>	<b>208,136</b>	<b>101,432</b>	<b>68,981</b>	<b>73,980</b>	<b>65,175</b>	<b>90,442</b>	<b>63,476</b>	

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