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OVERSEAS MERCHANDISE TRADE December 2020 quarter

Highlights of the quarter

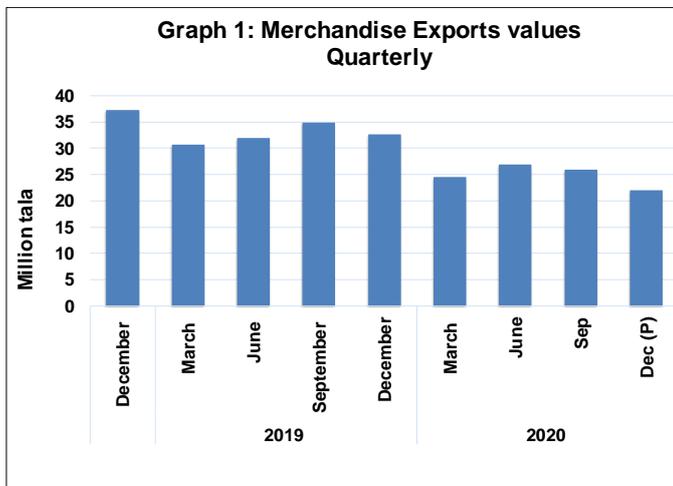
(December 2020 quarter compared with September 2020 quarter)

- Exports value decreased 15.5 percent to \$21.97 million.
- Imports value edged up 14.7 percent to \$238.72 million
- In December 2020 quarter, the trade deficit expanded 17.7 percent to \$216.78 million

Overview

Value of Merchandise Exports

Total exports stood at \$21.97 million, reducing 15.5 percent and 32.8 percent when compared to the preceding quarter and December 2019 quarter respectively. (See Graph 1 and Table 1).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

In comparison to the four quarters ending December 2019, total value of exports in the four quarters ending December 2020 edged down 23.6 percent.

Exports of Main Commodities

In December 2020 quarter, **Fish** exports continued as the top exported commodity valued at \$7.7 million despite reductions of 25.0 percent and 39.7 percent when compared to September 2020 quarter and December 2019 quarter respectively.

Vegetables exports followed with a total value of \$2.5 million, decreasing 7.4 percent when compared to the previous quarter despite a 37.9 percent increase over the corresponding quarter of 2019 (mainly taro).

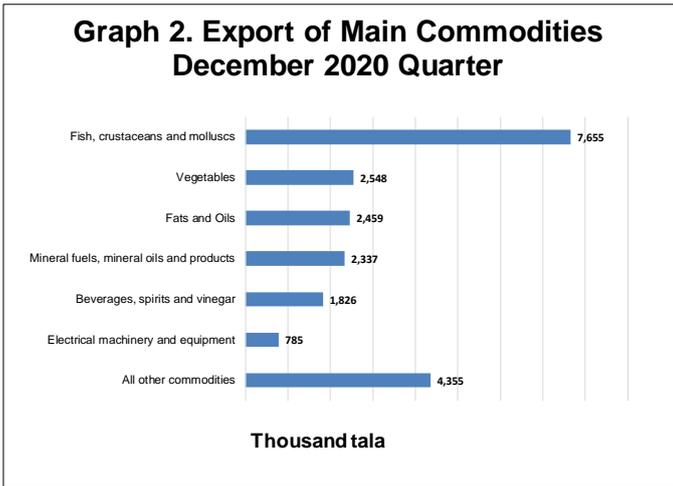
Fats and oils exports went up 4.5 percent to \$2.5 million from the previous quarter, reflecting an increase in refined coconut oil exports. In comparison with the corresponding quarter of 2019, the fats and oils exports were 33.9 percent higher.

Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products exports were valued at \$2.3 million. This value was 9.0 percent and 70.6 percent lower than the previous quarter and the same quarter last year respectively.

Beverages, spirits and vinegar exports recorded a total value of \$1.8 million, increasing 44.4 percent from the previous quarter, mainly driven by beer exports. In comparison with December 2019 quarter, the value of beverages, spirit and vinegar edged up 31.0 percent.

Electrical machinery and equipment exports declined 59.3 percent to \$0.79 million from the previous quarter and 15.5 percent lower when compared to the same quarter last year.

All other commodities with less than 3.0 percent share of total merchandise exports value had a combined total of \$4.4 million. (See Graph 2 and Table 2).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

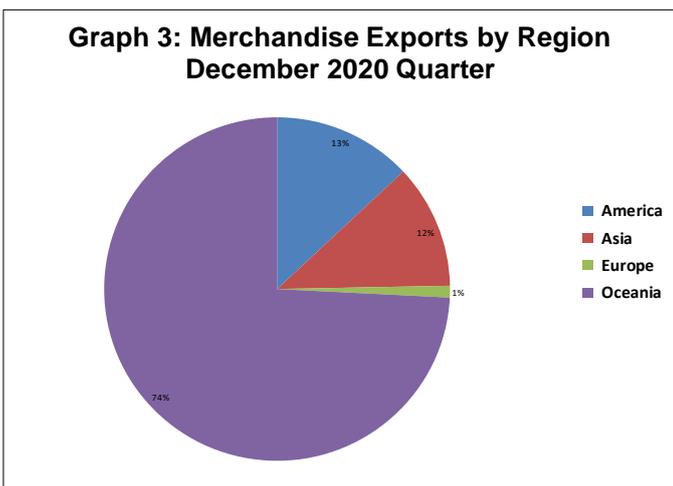
Merchandise Exports by Region

Oceania documented the largest share of total merchandise exports value with 74.2 percent, despite the decreases of 23.3 percent and 29.1 percent from the preceding quarter and the same quarter last year in that order.

America recorded a 13.0 percent share, increasing 12.6 percent from the September 2020 quarter but 3.8 percent lower when compared to December 2019 quarter.

Asia had a total share of 11.7 percent, increasing 23.6 percent from the previous quarter but 59.6 percent lower from the corresponding quarter of 2019.

Europe recorded a total share of 1.1 percent, increasing 78.9 percent from September 2020 quarter but 11.2 percent lower when compared with December 2019 quarter. (See Graph 3 and Table 4)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Exports by main Countries of Destination

Exports to **American Samoa** maintained its position as the leading country of destination for merchandise exports in the December 2020 quarter with a total value of \$8.7 million, accounting for 39.8 percent of total merchandise exports value. On the other hand, this value was 17.3 percent and 21.1 percent lower when compared to the previous quarter and the December quarter 2019 respectively.

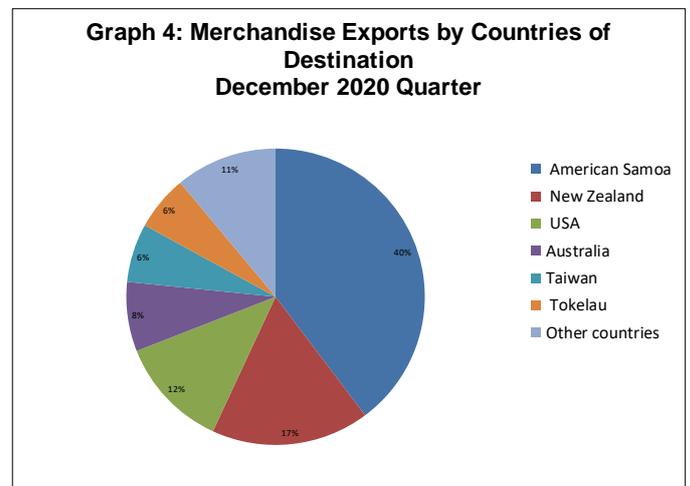
Exports to **New Zealand** followed next with a total value of \$3.8 million, reflecting 17.1 percent of total merchandise exports value. This value was 26.9 percent and 22.7 percent lower than that of September 2020 quarter and December 2019 quarter respectively.

Exports to **USA**, valued at \$2.7 million, represented 12.1 percent of total merchandise exports value, increased 3.5 percent from September 2020 quarter despite a decrease of 7.2 percent when compared to December 2019 quarter.

Exports to **Australia** had a total value of \$1.7 million, contributing 7.6 percent of total merchandise exports value, gaining 38.2 percent from the previous quarter but 25.3 percent lower from the corresponding quarter of 2019.

Exports to **Taiwan** and **Tokelau** represented 6.4 percent (\$1.4 million) and 6.0 percent (\$1.3 million) of total merchandise exports value respectively. Exports to 'other countries' had a combined export share of 11.0 percent.

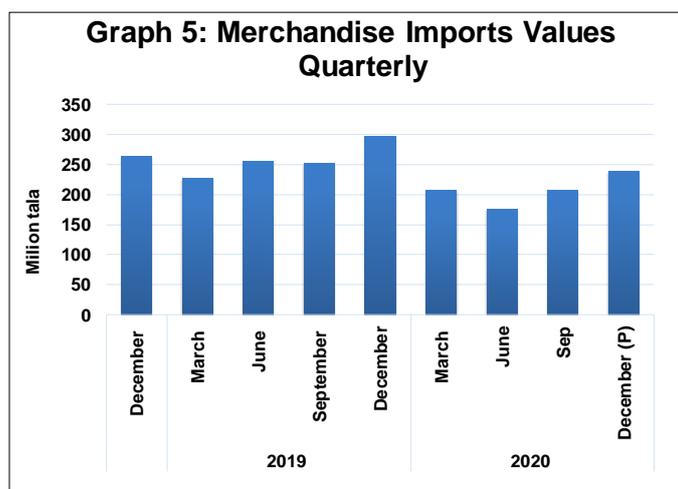
(See Graph 4 and Table 4).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Value of Merchandise Imports

In December 2020 quarter, merchandise imports were valued at \$238.7 million. This value was 14.7 percent higher than the previous quarter but 19.7 percent lower when compared to the December 2019 quarter. (See Graph 5 and Table 5).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending December 2020 recorded a 19.7 percent decrease in the total value of merchandise imports when compared with the four quarters ending December 2019.

Import of Main Commodities

Mineral fuels, mineral oils and product remained as the top imported commodity in the December 2020 quarter, valued at \$27.8 million (11.6 percent of total merchandise imports value). This value was 6.1 percent higher than the previous quarter but 47.4 percent lower when compared to December 2019 quarter.

Mechanical machinery and equipment increased 37.4 percent to \$20.5 million from the previous quarter, accounting for 8.6 percent of total merchandise imports value. In comparison with the same quarter of 2019, the total value increased 9.4 percent.

Vehicles, parts and accessories imports reported a total value of \$18.3 million (7.7 percent of total merchandise imports value), increasing 15.4 percent from the previous quarter but 30.4 percent lower when compared with the corresponding quarter of 2019.

Meat and edible meat offal were valued at \$16.6 million (6.9 percent of total merchandise imports value). This value was 0.6 percent higher than the

September 2020 quarter but 20.5 percent lower when compared to the same quarter last year.

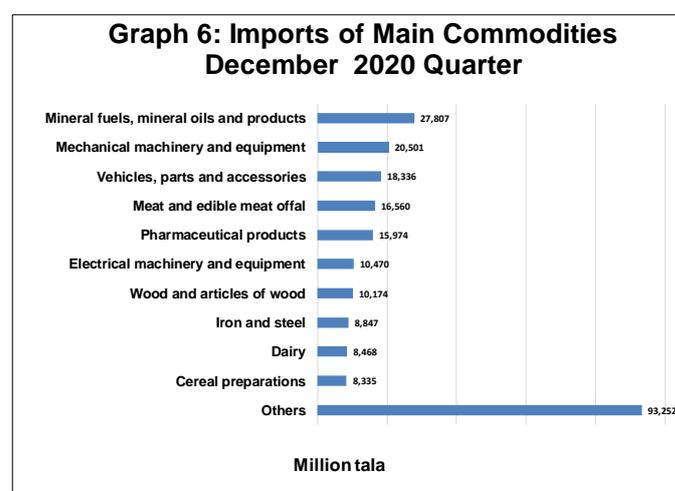
Pharmaceutical products increased \$12.5 million to \$16.0 million from the preceding quarter, accounting for 6.7 percent of total merchandise imports value. When compared to December 2019 quarter, total value of pharmaceutical products edged up \$13.0 million.

Electrical machinery and equipment imports had a total value of \$10.5 million (4.4 percent of total merchandise imports value), decreasing 6.7 percent from the previous quarter and 52.0 percent when compared to December 2019 quarter.

Wood and articles of wood imports had a total value of \$10.2 million, contributing 4.3 percent of total merchandise imports value, increasing 15.8 percent over the previous quarter but 14.3 percent lower compared to the December 2019 quarter.

Iron and steel imports declined 14.4 percent to \$8.8 million from the preceding quarter, accounting for 3.7 percent of total merchandise imports value. In comparison with the December 2019 quarter, its total value also declined 40.2 percent.

Imports of **Dairy** and **Cereal preparations** recorded a total of \$8.5 million and \$8.3 million respectively (3.5 percent each of total merchandise import trade). All 'other commodities' accounting for less than 3.0 percent share of total merchandise imports value had a combined total of \$93.25 million. (See Graph 6 and Table 5).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Imports by Region

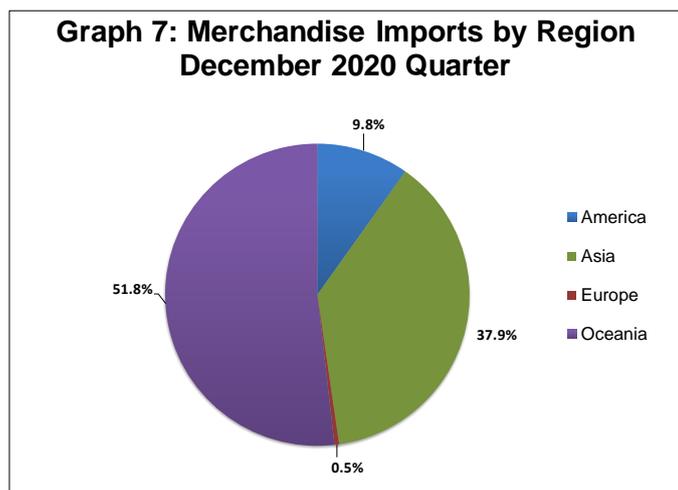
Oceania region remained as the main source for Samoa's imports with a total merchandise imports value of 51.8 percent, increasing 10.1 percent from

the preceding quarter but 2.0 percent lower when compared to the same period last year.

Asia recorded a total share of 37.9 percent of total merchandise imports value, increasing 24.0 percent from the previous month but 35.0 percent less than the corresponding quarter of 2019.

America had a total share of 9.8 percent, gaining 7.5 percent from the preceding quarter but decreasing 22.8 percent from the December 2019 quarter.

Europe recorded a total share of 0.5 percent, increasing 7.4 percent from the previous quarter despite a 20.5 percent decrease when compared to the same quarter last year. (See Graph 7 and Table 7).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Imports by major source markets

Imports from **New Zealand** remained as the leading country for merchandise imports in the December 2020 quarter, accounting for 29.2 percent (\$69.8 million) of total merchandise imports value, increasing 4.9 percent over the previous quarter but 8.8 percent lower compared to the December 2019 quarter.

Imports from **Australia** accounted for 13.7 percent of total merchandise imports value, increasing 54.4 percent and 26.9 percent over the previous quarter and the same quarter of 2019 respectively.

Imports from **Singapore** represented 11.9 percent of total merchandise imports value, increasing 8.9 percent from the previous quarter but 44.4 percent lower than the corresponding quarter of 2019.

Imports from **USA** accounted for 9.7 percent of total merchandise imports value, increasing 5.9 percent from the September 2020 quarter but declining 21.1 percent from the same quarter of 2019.

Imports from **China** accounted for 6.6 percent of total merchandise imports value, declining 18.7

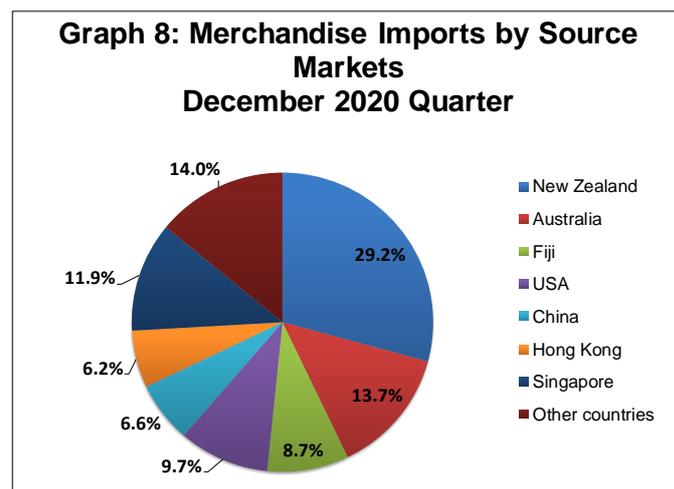
percent and 50.5 percent from the September 2020 quarter and December 2019 quarter in that order.

Imports from **Hong Kong** represented 6.2 percent of total merchandise import value, increasing 40.1 percent over the previous quarter but 6.6 percent lower than that of December 2019 quarter.

Imports from **Japan** recorded a 5.0 percent of total merchandise import value, increasing \$6.2 million over the preceding month despite a \$1.2 million drop over the same quarter last year.

Imports from **Thailand** and **South Korea** recorded 3.6 percent and 3.0 percent of total merchandise import value respectively. All 'other countries' accounted for less than 3.0 percent share of total merchandise imports value had a combined share of 2.5 percent.

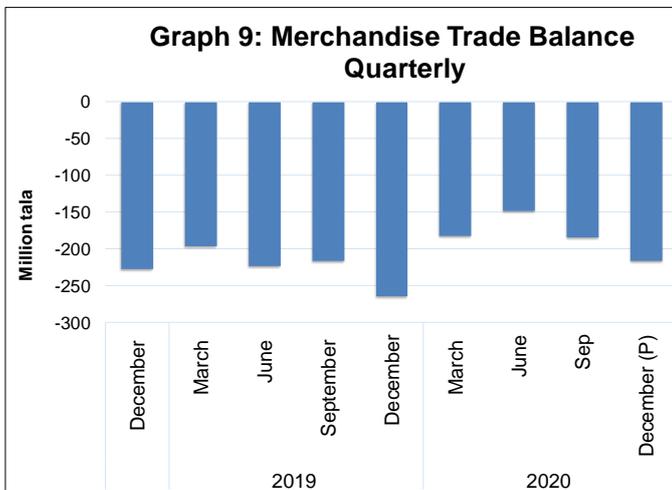
(See Graph 8 and Table 8).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Trade Balance

In the December 2020 quarter, total value of merchandise imports (\$238.72 million) was more than the value of merchandise exports (\$21.97 million), reflecting a trade deficit of \$216.8 million. (See Graph 9 and Table 1).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached tables provide the user with more detailed information.

The March 2021 quarter merchandise trade report is expected to be available on June 25th 2021

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Technical Notes

The main source of imports and exports data comes from the administrative document, a completed customs form (Single Administrative data) 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)

Definitions

December 2020 quarter: (October, November, December 2020)

Capital goods: are produced assets that are used repeatedly or continuously, for longer than one year, in industrial production processes. Examples are machinery, trucks, and aircraft.

cif: is the cost of goods, including insurance and freight to Samoa.

Consumption goods: are goods used (without further transformation in industrial production processes) by households, government, or non-profit institutions serving households.

Exports (domestic): are goods of domestic origin exported from Samoa to another country. Exports in this release are valued fob and are shown in Samoan tala.

fob: is free on board (the value of goods at Samoa ports before export).

Imports: are goods imported into Samoa. Imports in this release are valued at cif and are shown in Samoan tala.

Intermediate goods: are goods used up, or transformed in, industrial production processes.

Merchandise trade: covers exports or imports of goods that alter the nation's stock of material resources.

Provisional: statistics for the latest three months are provisional, to allow late data and amendments to be included.

Re-exports: are exports of foreign goods which were previously recorded as Samoa's imports.

Trade balance: is calculated by deducting imports (cif) from exports (fob). These two

valuations are not entirely comparable, because the cif valuation includes insurance and freight to Samoa, while the fob valuation excludes insurance and freight from Samoa.

Trade deficit: occurs when the value of imports is more than the value of exports.

Trade surplus: occurs when the value of exports is more than the value of imports.

Table 1: Overseas Merchandise Trade				
Values (000 tala) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾				
Period	Exports	Imports	Trade Balance	
Annual				
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	
2020 (P)	99,339	828,652	-729,313	
Quarter				
2016	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
2017	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
2018	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
2019	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
2020	March	24,478	206,424	-181,945
	June	26,894	175,367	-148,472
	September	26,002	208,137	-184,134
	December (P)	21,965	238,725	-216,779

Table 2: Exports by main Commodities
Values (000 tala) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

HS Code	Commodity	Quarter														
		Annual			2018				2019				2020			
		2018	2019 (P)	2020 (P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep (P)	Dec (P)
3	Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	33,836	46,415	32,774	5,944	5,549	14,487	7,856	9,678	8,580	15,466	12,690	6,454	8,461	10,204	7,655
7	Vegetables	7,386	7,915	8,841	1,414	1,967	1,850	2,155	1,718	2,080	2,270	1,847	1,453	2,089	2,751	2,548
15	Fats and oils	2,268	4,740	9,117	44	529	1,147	548	1,180	1,346	468	1,836	786	3,520	2,352	2,459
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	30,663	32,165	14,149	5,848	7,727	7,776	9,312	7,108	7,572	9,525	7,959	6,986	2,258	2,567	2,337
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	7,341	5,238	5,080	1,622	1,811	1,699	2,209	919	1,500	1,425	1,394	1,148	841	1,265	1,826
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	3,273	4,879	8,627	360	852	1,384	677	1,040	1,937	973	929	1,237	4,677	1,929	785
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	10,258	12,237	2,677	1,139	1,974	3,013	4,132	5,449	5,134	833	821	1,260	541	285	591
24	Tobacco	699	1,337	2,399	115	192	153	238	238	110	293	696	786	301	722	590
8	Fruit and nuts	1,960	2,024	2,385	518	554	364	524	601	513	306	603	578	455	773	579
72-73	Iron and steel and articles	692	845	864	89	187	235	182	273	148	171	253	196	219	174	274
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	390	481	774	80	98	138	74	30	257	145	49	296	169	35	274
12	Oil seeds	477	950	812	131	129	84	134	42	87	327	494	110	242	212	249
94	Furniture, furnishings and light fittings	301	554	970	20	130	62	89	54	154	118	228	116	397	216	241
18	Cocoa	908	587	763	58	553	69	226	24	152	224	187	172	88	318	185
4	Dairy	477	308	1,044	82	114	245	3,235	37	70	75	126	110	496	263	175
64	Footwear	464	216	315	1	116	45	301	110	0	105	1	94	0	103	118
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	470	68	347	128	192	131	19	2	14	15	36	117	41	84	106
44	Wood and articles of wood	429	371	846	45	150	84	150	24	181	36	130	198	241	308	99
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	235	84	217	51	34	76	79	26	29	26	3	25	31	64	97
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	357	623	571	35	44	162	116	92	86	257	188	167	158	152	94
23	Food wastes	1,309	166	326	344	285	120	561	16	79	18	54	161	20	52	92
2	Meat and edible offal	4,846	583	280	575	348	375	351	177	127	94	186	76	57	65	83
25	Mineral substances	291	325	468	23	58	40	170	29	139	85	72	44	77	268	78
16	Meat and fish preparation	451	376	427	167	80	169	35	99	59	67	152	118	182	54	73
38	Chemical products n.e.s.	311	730	133	164	70	14	63	5	414	217	93	41	6	33	53
19	Cereal preparations	1,113	741	409	210	160	190	553	346	110	94	191	286	35	40	48
34	Soaps and polishes	270	1,020	154	12	32	35	192	15	20	491	493	54	28	36	36
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	505	808	402	20	125	147	213	382	47	39	340	261	54	51	36
39	Plastics and articles	3,677	1,005	1,181	24	866	540	2,247	337	533	112	23	751	383	39	8
10	Cereals	143	105	170	21	29	65	28	9	23	23	51	49	109	7	4
62	Apparel and clothing accessories	314	454	26	23	44	175	73	23	124	194	112	3	0	22	1
17	Sugar	152	61	27	45	30	39	38	10	20	17	13	9	13	5	0
...	Others	2,937	1,688	1,765	698	829	908	496	592	319	329	448	338	703	553	171
01-98	Total	119,204	130,098	99,339	20,050	25,858	36,021	37,276	30,683	31,965	34,841	32,698	24,478	26,893	26,002	21,965

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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 3: Exports (value) by major items, SITC⁽³⁾
Values (000 tala) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

SITC Section	Quarter														
	Annual			2018				2019				2020			
	2018	2019	2020 (P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep (P)	Dec (P)
Food & Live Animal	63,598	73,254	51,302	10,660	11,857	21,232	19,849	18,610	17,285	19,941	17,418	11,092	12,803	14,993	12,414
Beverages & Tobacco	8,012	6,563	7,732	1,737	1,983	1,852	2,439	1,156	1,610	1,707	2,089	1,934	1,143	2,225	2,430
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	1,017	881	1,542	258	274	174	311	228	298	116	239	228	413	434	468
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	30,656	32,159	14,145	5,848	7,727	7,776	9,305	7,104	7,572	9,524	7,959	6,984	2,258	2,567	2,337
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	1,580	2,110	7,170	17	425	721	416	3	398	198	1,511	708	8	10	1,757
Chemicals & Related Products	1,649	4,021	1,790	320	268	587	475	1,257	1,072	840	852	226	3,627	2,487	868
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	2,904	2,625	2,376	555	891	836	623	211	792	572	1,050	565	886	645	280
Machinery & Transport Equipment	4,212	6,066	10,339	416	1,030	1,695	1,070	1,520	2,081	1,271	1,194	1,671	4,898	2,150	899
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	5,577	2,369	2,930	239	1,401	1,149	2,787	593	858	671	246	1,071	858	490	513
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	0	49	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	0	-	1	-
Total	119,204	130,098	99,340	20,050	25,858	36,021	37,276	30,683	31,965	34,841	32,608	24,478	26,894	26,002	21,965

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

Values (in '000 Tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter											
	2018	2019	2020 (P)	2018				2019				2020			
				Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec (P)
Region															
Africa	1	10	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	8	0	0	0	0
America	11,549	16,829	11,200	1,158	4,117	3,360	2,914	7,050	4,139	2,669	2,972	2,175	3,630	2,537	2,857
Asia	19,118	22,115	12,335	3,506	4,268	4,993	6,351	3,989	4,913	6,857	6,356	3,912	3,780	2,076	2,567
Europe	977	1,055	1,911	315	217	229	217	332	218	234	272	1,270	264	135	242
Oceania	87,474	90,087	73,893	14,986	17,256	27,439	27,793	19,312	22,694	25,081	23,000	17,121	19,218	21,254	16,300
Other	84	0	0	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Top Countries															
American Samoa	31,779	40,423	33,011	5,261	4,821	13,510	8,188	8,494	7,757	13,100	11,072	6,408	7,306	10,563	8,733
New Zealand	21,101	20,762	17,447	4,286	4,770	5,272	6,773	4,623	5,684	5,582	4,873	4,149	4,385	5,149	3,764
USA	11,214	15,127	10,868	1,126	4,036	3,258	2,794	6,001	3,687	2,563	2,876	2,076	3,546	2,577	2,668
Australia	12,850	10,663	8,253	1,573	3,391	3,255	4,631	2,592	3,511	2,338	2,223	2,182	3,208	1,202	1,661
Taiwan	8,716	8,152	5,576	1,380	2,133	2,443	2,761	945	1,665	2,836	2,706	1,680	916	1,574	1,406
Tokelau	16,439	11,301	9,234	2,814	3,136	3,500	6,989	2,543	2,918	2,594	3,245	2,688	3,145	2,088	1,313
Japan	3,995	5,640	5,258	1,333	1,087	978	597	969	545	2,098	2,028	816	2,506	1,312	624
Singapore	1,571	2,064	300	425	231	434	481	398	591	625	450	42	31	30	196
China	1,446	1,767	1,070	75	238	390	742	293	428	440	606	656	192	128	94
Fiji	4,234	3,323	780	767	849	1,561	1,056	832	699	879	913	585	10	99	86
Other countries	5,860	10,875	7,543	1,011	1,166	1,420	2,264	2,994	4,478	1,785	1,617	3,195	1,648	1,280	1,420
Total	119,204	130,097	99,339	20,050	25,858	36,021	37,276	30,683	31,965	34,841	32,608	24,478	26,893	26,002	21,965

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Table 5: Imports by main Commodities

Values (000 tala) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

HS Code	Commodity	Quarter														
		Annual			2018				2019				2020			
		2018	2019 (P)	2020 (P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep (P)	Dec (P)
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	178,467	182,429	115,734	31,425	47,600	55,532	43,910	48,549	35,552	45,460	52,868	40,676	21,040	26,211	27,807
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	50,752	65,448	59,284	10,553	12,138	15,713	12,348	9,417	14,648	22,637	18,746	12,244	11,614	14,925	20,501
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	68,629	94,809	58,714	13,829	17,125	16,665	21,009	17,185	30,484	20,790	26,350	13,809	10,679	15,891	18,336
2	Meat and edible meat offal	65,488	69,433	63,639	14,150	14,925	16,401	20,012	10,990	17,500	20,117	20,825	15,733	14,890	16,455	16,560
30	Pharmaceutical products	13,930	12,875	23,951	4,184	2,460	3,001	4,286	2,280	3,421	4,126	3,048	2,213	2,287	3,477	15,974
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	55,480	69,003	48,157	15,718	14,929	11,928	12,906	19,375	15,846	11,958	21,824	15,463	11,000	11,223	10,470
44	Wood and articles of wood	31,139	34,940	27,508	4,738	7,643	8,023	10,735	6,266	8,673	8,132	11,869	3,652	4,899	8,783	10,174
72-73	Iron and steel	46,784	54,211	34,321	8,423	11,379	12,864	14,118	15,404	11,851	12,163	14,794	10,739	4,400	10,335	8,847
4	Dairy	29,274	31,626	31,146	6,836	6,959	7,379	8,100	6,802	8,535	7,533	8,756	6,912	7,822	7,945	8,468
19	Cereal preparations	29,884	29,417	28,933	6,830	7,434	6,944	8,677	7,080	7,065	6,820	8,453	6,305	7,668	6,624	8,335
16	Meat and fish preparation	24,251	19,612	21,966	5,194	5,158	6,233	7,666	4,481	3,852	4,674	6,605	5,551	5,510	5,225	5,681
39	Plastics and articles	29,232	29,660	20,445	6,103	6,297	7,797	9,034	6,439	7,858	6,986	8,377	4,829	5,064	4,952	5,600
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	18,298	18,038	16,435	3,698	3,897	5,232	5,470	3,609	4,287	5,016	5,127	3,987	3,673	3,728	5,046
25	Mineral substances	16,378	18,956	17,015	4,691	3,564	2,949	5,173	4,815	4,311	3,543	6,287	2,755	3,025	6,350	4,885
48	Paper products	16,865	17,234	16,573	3,741	4,253	4,534	4,337	4,080	4,449	4,144	4,561	3,727	3,388	4,606	4,853
34	Soaps and polishes	15,141	12,662	14,613	3,426	3,920	3,898	3,897	2,558	2,972	3,377	3,756	3,407	3,934	3,506	3,767
11	Milling industry products	14,247	15,459	13,998	3,421	3,530	3,858	3,437	3,205	3,777	4,136	4,341	2,779	3,509	3,978	3,732
90	Optical, medical, and measuring equipm	9,316	9,520	16,496	1,563	2,115	2,099	3,539	2,742	2,066	1,303	3,410	2,803	8,531	1,771	3,392
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	10,225	10,569	10,620	2,474	1,521	2,607	3,624	3,582	2,465	2,087	2,435	2,333	2,831	2,366	3,090
17	Sugar	14,117	13,049	13,303	3,198	4,066	2,914	3,940	2,390	3,357	3,341	3,960	2,046	3,874	4,365	3,017
10	Cereals	16,613	11,484	15,182	3,002	4,038	4,103	5,470	2,895	1,995	3,346	3,248	3,502	2,683	6,270	2,727
76	Aluminium	7,411	10,060	7,170	2,223	1,304	2,222	1,663	2,511	3,117	1,378	3,054	1,963	1,125	1,613	2,468
32	Dyes, tannin, and paint	7,440	9,913	6,843	1,661	1,702	1,725	2,352	2,508	2,437	2,366	2,602	1,518	1,318	1,653	2,354
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	9,226	9,391	9,262	1,836	1,903	2,708	2,779	1,752	2,268	2,850	2,521	1,557	2,525	2,827	2,353
38	Chemical products n.e.c.	10,618	9,952	8,579	2,277	2,955	3,077	2,308	2,122	2,631	2,538	2,660	2,032	2,214	2,147	2,187
40	Rubber	9,802	7,967	7,725	2,221	2,976	2,286	2,320	1,721	2,198	1,852	2,197	1,503	2,137	1,903	2,182
7	Vegetables	9,249	9,474	8,151	2,211	2,332	2,455	2,252	2,264	2,510	2,163	2,537	2,124	1,873	2,000	2,155
20	Vegetable, fruit, and nut preparations	6,562	7,978	6,890	1,148	1,316	2,113	1,985	1,490	1,721	2,500	2,267	1,818	1,474	1,520	2,078
68	Stone	6,397	6,916	5,656	1,099	1,389	939	2,969	1,624	1,689	1,540	2,063	2,147	644	905	1,959
94	Furniture	13,486	17,788	9,572	2,629	3,157	4,596	3,103	3,737	5,631	3,491	4,929	2,484	1,749	3,389	1,950
62	Apparel not knitted and crocheted	8,585	12,034	5,297	1,434	1,651	2,226	3,275	1,953	2,805	3,618	3,658	1,060	845	1,465	1,927
15	Fats and oils	8,495	8,136	8,304	1,653	2,213	2,323	2,307	1,661	2,050	2,435	1,990	1,621	2,535	2,231	1,917
3	Fish	5,137	5,949	5,574	1,046	1,307	1,535	1,248	1,300	1,048	1,521	2,081	1,404	1,242	1,073	1,856
49	Books and newspapers	2,229	3,380	5,654	524	551	549	605	392	693	1,652	643	3,146	416	292	1,799
22	Beverages	8,870	7,400	4,958	2,108	1,940	2,179	2,643	1,133	2,079	2,208	1,980	1,156	1,211	1,011	1,580
69	Ceramic products	4,673	5,931	5,332	950	632	1,654	1,437	1,727	1,158	1,468	1,578	1,938	572	1,268	1,555
23	Food wastes	4,655	4,750	5,250	1,009	1,246	1,156	1,244	1,081	1,229	1,056	1,384	1,215	1,311	1,274	1,450
95	Toys and games	3,710	8,846	3,164	599	922	838	1,351	432	6,179	907	1,328	419	494	865	1,386
70	Glass and glassware	6,083	7,104	4,862	1,243	1,059	1,147	2,633	1,488	2,279	1,027	2,310	864	1,338	1,421	1,238
83	Miscellaneous metal articles	3,695	4,342	2,924	557	1,171	933	1,034	678	1,290	1,294	1,080	740	540	567	1,078
61	Knitted and crocheted apparel	3,583	4,342	2,997	659	647	1,085	1,192	938	1,393	846	1,165	1,023	228	755	991
8	Fruits and nuts	3,974	3,723	3,252	846	932	1,167	1,029	722	820	961	1,219	660	628	974	990
55	Man-made staple fibres	5,251	7,168	3,272	1,309	1,154	1,299	1,490	1,868	1,364	1,692	2,243	1,091	499	767	915
64	Footwear	2,685	2,424	2,475	572	725	736	652	431	526	830	637	506	493	629	848
63	Made up textile articles	3,985	5,262	2,732	922	821	1,029	1,212	564	2,245	991	1,462	621	562	748	801
24	Tobacco	2,751	3,120	2,597	1,195	756	429	371	559	1,004	1,031	526	959	605	234	799
9	Coffee, tea, and spices	3,130	2,164	2,349	803	596	744	987	580	436	612	536	540	429	658	722
82	Metal tools and cutlery	3,861	3,567	2,655	819	642	1,336	1,064	897	842	854	973	506	572	974	603
37	Photographic equipment	2,396	2,332	1,962	367	1,033	430	566	719	807	343	463	508	459	468	528
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	1,822	2,521	1,749	483	420	479	439	364	531	499	1,128	511	449	332	457
18	Cocoa	1,596	1,198	1,167	269	397	437	493	146	334	340	378	243	240	236	449
52	Cotton	1,093	817	934	228	306	250	309	355	107	246	110	600	42	63	229
...	Others	12,482	14,930	11,310	2,922	2,547	3,364	3,649	3,034	5,305	2,768	3,823	2,482	2,281	2,890	3,658
01-98	Total	939,443	1,031,313	828,651	197,020	227,652	250,123	264,649	226,898	255,687	251,566	297,161	206,424	175,366	208,137	238,724

1 Imports are valued cif (cost, including insurance and freight to Samoa, in Samoan tala). All values are in Samoan tala.

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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)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter											
				2018				2019				2020			
	2018	2019 (P)	2020 (P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep (P)	Dec (P)
Food & Live Animal	249,568	246,220	239,225	54,434	58,856	63,638	72,640	49,630	59,256	64,850	72,483	55,446	57,112	62,915	63,752
Beverages & Tobacco	11,226	10,100	7,260	3,197	2,571	2,530	2,928	1,615	3,013	3,050	2,422	1,992	2,021	1,103	2,144
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	31,810	35,063	26,188	3,685	8,384	9,624	10,117	7,055	10,068	7,696	10,244	3,611	5,111	8,732	8,736
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	173,370	175,246	112,034	31,254	46,306	52,854	42,956	45,377	32,563	44,806	52,499	39,806	19,635	25,249	27,344
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	6,144	5,940	6,489	1,129	1,631	1,574	1,810	1,254	1,432	1,854	1,399	1,139	2,059	1,731	1,560
Chemicals & Related Products	70,209	69,884	75,048	16,255	15,467	18,540	19,948	14,426	17,496	18,994	18,967	13,886	15,345	16,356	29,461
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	139,555	159,098	118,935	30,287	31,857	34,990	42,421	40,546	39,243	33,494	45,815	30,437	20,214	33,588	34,696
Machinery & Transport Equipment	175,742	230,974	171,299	40,213	44,296	44,786	46,448	46,207	62,158	55,595	67,015	41,971	36,586	42,261	50,481
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	81,783	98,777	72,101	16,559	18,277	21,585	25,362	20,783	30,455	21,225	26,313	18,131	17,269	16,188	20,513
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	35	11	71	7	7	2	18	4	2	2	4	4	15	13	38
Total	939,443	1,031,313	828,651	197,020	227,652	250,123	264,649	226,898	255,687	251,566	297,161	206,424	175,366	208,137	238,724

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Table 7 IMPORTS CLASSIFIED BY BEC³
Values (000 tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Economic Category	ANNUAL			QUARTER												
	2018	2019 (P)	2020 (P)	2018				2019				2020				
				Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep (P)	Dec (P)	
1* Food and Beverage																
11* Primary																
111* Mainly for industry	1,389	1,479	5,609	350	308	360	370	266	273	276	664	2,035	1,139	1,379	1,056	
112* Mainly for household consumption	29,299	28,827	27,195	6,762	7,118	7,492	7,928	6,613	6,892	6,772	8,551	6,443	6,964	6,531	7,257	
12* Processed																
121* Mainly for industry	32,508	33,951	32,650	7,432	8,748	8,158	8,170	6,461	9,164	8,821	9,505	5,787	8,497	9,641	8,725	
122* Mainly for household consumption	195,096	188,871	176,910	41,822	44,521	49,898	58,854	37,327	44,846	51,299	55,399	41,613	41,869	45,810	47,619	
2* Industrial Supplies Not Elsewhere specified																
21* Primary	10,452	12,055	7,309	1,501	2,097	4,406	2,448	4,469	4,218	2,100	1,268	1,498	2,180	1,805	1,826	
22* Processed	202,543	234,117	193,760	41,218	47,833	50,774	62,719	55,131	58,278	53,068	67,641	45,582	33,378	49,530	65,270	
3* Fuels and Lubricants																
31* Primary	2,151	2,154	893	204	745	606	597	450	660	560	484	206	-	245	442	
32* Processed																
321* Motor spirit	76,487	57,274	39,090	15,062	22,358	26,917	12,149	17,650	10,757	13,199	15,669	12,051	7,714	8,766	10,559	
322* Other	94,224	114,425	70,802	15,851	23,157	25,291	29,925	27,058	20,409	30,835	36,124	27,227	11,639	15,938	15,998	
Capital Goods (Except Transport Equipment) and parts and Accessories 4* thereof																
41* Capital goods (except transport equipmet)	77,145	99,670	81,197	18,823	18,555	20,542	19,226	22,493	19,928	24,940	32,309	15,874	24,575	17,639	23,108	
42* Parts and accessories	25,139	27,332	24,148	6,242	6,767	5,573	6,557	5,735	8,727	6,931	5,940	8,737	4,041	5,562	5,818	
5* Transport Equipment and Parts and Accessories thereof																
51* Passenger motor cars	26,272	38,803	23,453	5,005	6,679	5,907	8,681	6,462	9,818	10,405	12,118	5,044	4,896	6,273	7,240	
521* Industrial	37,022	49,927	29,917	7,507	9,100	9,366	11,049	9,429	19,144	9,158	12,196	7,920	4,674	7,820	9,503	
522* Non-industrial	1,170	1,656	1,440	278	254	296	342	118	983	229	326	122	497	282	539	
53* Parts and accessories	15,350	15,852	14,160	3,710	3,506	4,374	3,761	3,392	4,047	3,567	4,846	3,350	3,411	4,017	3,382	
6* Consumer Goods Not Elsewhere Specified																
61* Durable	17,249	19,990	16,811	3,722	4,311	5,211	4,004	3,226	5,388	4,868	6,509	3,791	2,606	5,618	4,796	
62* Semi-durable	39,304	50,939	29,693	8,127	8,522	10,594	12,061	9,582	17,758	10,011	13,589	6,535	6,420	7,313	9,425	
63* Non-durable	56,624	53,660	52,816	13,398	13,071	14,355	15,801	11,035	14,258	14,527	13,841	12,166	10,837	13,963	15,849	
7* Goods Not Elsewhere Specified	19	327	798	5	3	5	6	3	141	1	182	442	28	15	313	
TOTAL IMPORTS	939,443	1,031,313	828,651	197,020	227,652	250,123	264,649	226,898	255,687	251,566	297,161	206,424	175,366	208,137	238,724	
of which																
Capital goods ⁴	114,167	149,597	111,113	26,330	27,655	29,907	30,276	31,922	39,072	34,099	44,505	23,794	29,249	25,459	32,611	
Intermediate goods ⁵	383,756	441,366	349,331	76,509	93,160	99,541	114,546	102,961	105,775	106,157	126,473	94,422	64,286	88,107	102,516	
Consumption goods ⁶	338,741	343,945	304,865	74,108	77,797	87,846	98,990	67,900	90,125	87,706	98,215	70,671	69,193	79,517	85,485	

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3 SITC: Standard International Trade Classification

4 Capital Goods: sum of categories 41* and 521*

5 Intermediate Goods: sum of categories 111*, 121*, 21*, 22*, 31*, 322*, 42* and 53*

6 Consumption Goods: sum of categories 112*, 122*, 522*, 61*, 62* and 63*

* The asterisk follows each reference to a BEC classification as a device to avoid confusion with the numbered sections, divisions and groups of the

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Table 8: Imports by Region, by main Countries of Exports
Values (in '000 Tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter											
	2018	2019 (P)	2020 (P)	2018				2019				2020			
				Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep (P)	Dec (P)
Region															
Africa	195	41	153	32	6	137	20	14	13	14	1	128	20	2	2
America	95,229	93,527	87,590	22,272	18,610	25,110	29,237	14,817	23,889	24,466	30,356	21,273	21,099	21,787	23,431
Asia	427,408	489,645	328,372	84,099	103,291	115,411	124,606	115,666	118,254	2,712	139,211	97,992	66,918	72,990	90,472
Europe	8,257	10,952	3,809	1,134	3,771	2,485	867	3,778	3,002	2,712	1,460	1,445	123	1,080	1,161
Oceania	408,355	437,147	408,729	89,482	101,973	106,981	109,918	92,623	110,530	107,860	126,134	85,587	87,206	112,276	123,660
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Top Countries															
New Zealand	255,627	270,086	237,309	53,638	65,784	67,170	69,035	58,979	67,945	66,967	76,195	51,679	49,333	66,527	69,771
Australia	93,040	93,043	93,847	22,705	22,506	24,200	23,629	20,226	24,614	22,525	25,678	18,864	21,278	21,109	32,595
Fiji	53,839	66,895	68,282	12,462	12,700	13,041	15,636	12,301	16,430	16,715	21,449	12,478	16,283	18,663	20,859
USA	92,867	90,688	87,320	21,503	18,159	24,884	28,321	14,303	22,877	24,007	29,502	21,512	20,570	21,968	23,270
China	84,772	127,719	68,204	16,931	15,440	22,120	30,281	30,374	46,946	18,765	31,635	20,082	13,209	19,259	15,654
Hong Kong	45,888	50,131	44,732	7,708	9,225	12,327	16,629	13,141	10,356	10,832	15,801	9,636	9,796	10,539	14,761
Indonesia	12,325	11,160	8,205	3,087	2,443	2,835	3,960	3,055	2,595	2,779	2,731	1,830	2,785	2,104	1,486
Japan	39,987	40,280	36,584	5,611	12,660	10,947	10,770	7,551	7,610	12,028	13,091	9,051	10,002	5,678	11,853
Malaysia	7,022	9,788	6,395	1,604	1,862	1,379	2,177	1,685	3,020	2,084	3,000	2,838	1,147	1,393	1,017
Philippines	850	1,990	485	105	134	164	448	662	460	518	350	134	89	191	71
Singapore	173,563	174,133	118,465	32,490	45,982	53,038	42,053	44,569	32,651	46,023	50,890	43,310	20,833	26,010	28,313
Thailand	26,839	28,481	23,200	5,197	7,684	5,463	8,496	7,662	5,424	5,816	9,578	5,266	4,077	5,348	8,509
India	5,732	12,268	1,649	2,069	1,308	856	1,498	1,229	1,237	8,062	1,740	220	165	266	998
Korea Democratic People's	4,843	4,783	3,423	662	1,332	1,063	1,786	965	370	409	3,039	1,167	972	1,068	215
Korea Republic	18,106	19,583	17,092	7,056	2,974	3,133	4,943	2,526	5,471	6,186	5,400	3,664	2,237	4,126	7,065
Papua New Guinea	346	580	195	72	11	120	143	285	167	34	95	10	92	94	0
Tonga	489	296	843	3	102	146	238	58	38	140	59	565	45	92	141
Taiwan, Province of China	2,433	4,551	2,061	564	670	915	283	982	273	1,583	1,713	555	371	609	526
Viet Nam	3,408	5,035	2,540	663	809	723	1,214	956	1,385	1,203	1,490	970	939	630	0
Other countries	17,466	19,824	7,821	2,891	5,867	5,601	3,106	5,389	5,820	4,889	3,726	2,592	1,144	2,463	1,621
Total	939,443	1,031,313	828,651	197,020	227,652	250,123	264,649	226,898	255,687	251,566	297,161	206,424	175,366	208,136	238,724

1 Imports are valued cif (cost, including insurance and freight to Samoa, in Samoan tala). All values are in Samoan tala.

2 Figures are calculated

Symbols

P Provisional figures

0 Insignificant/nil value

Source Samoa Bureau of Statistics

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