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### Overseas Merchandise Trade August 2019

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

*August 2019 compared with July 2019*

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

- The total value of merchandise exports increased 50.2 percent (to \$13.5 million).
- Mainly responsible for the current increase was exports of 'Food and Live Animal' (up \$4.7 million) with 'Fish, crustaceans and molluscs' exports (up \$4.5 million) the main driver of the increase.
- As usual, Oceania had the largest share of total exports value with 71.5 percent, increasing 68.0 percent (\$3.9 million) from the previous month.
- American Samoa became the leading export market in August 2019, accounting for 43.4 percent of total merchandise exports value.

#### **Merchandise Imports**

- The total value of merchandise imports increased 14.8 percent (to \$92.5 million)
- 'Food and Live Animal' imports had the largest increase (up \$4.8 million) reflecting large increase in imports of 'Meat and edible meat offal' (up \$2.7 million).
- Asia had the largest share of total imports value with 45.9 percent. Oceania recorded the largest increase (up \$10.9 million) with New Zealand (up \$6.2 million) the main driver of the current increase and became the leading source market for imports in August 2019, accounting for 26.7 percent of total merchandise imports value.

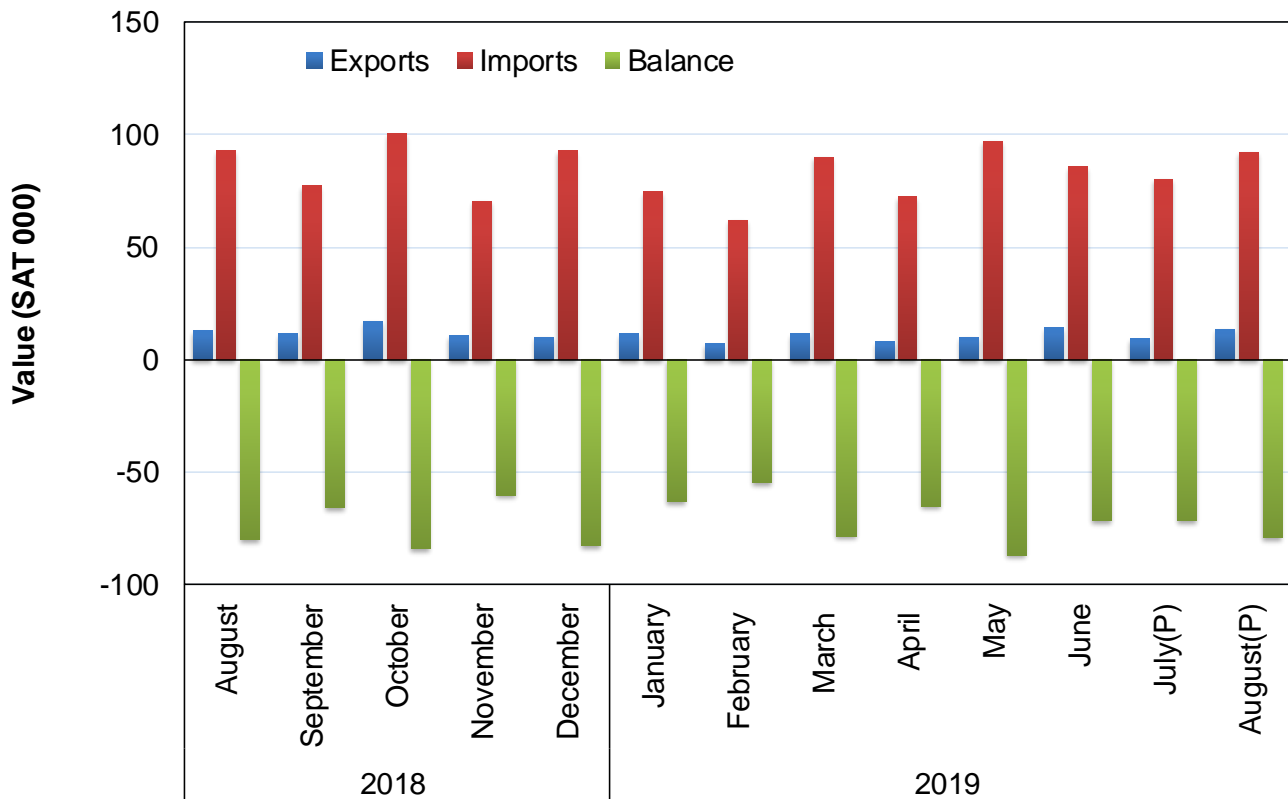
#### **Trade Balance**

- The total value of imports (\$92.5 million) exceeded that of exports (\$13.5 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$78.95 million.

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

## Merchandise Trade Value Monthly



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 September 2019 Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on November 11<sup>th</sup> 2019.

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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
<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 (P)	31,965	255,687	-223,722
<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(P)	8,991	80,521	-71,530
	August(P)	13,508	92,458	-78,950

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**Symbols**

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**Source:** Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

**Table 2: Exports by main Commodities**

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

HS Code	Commodity	Annual		Quarter						Month			% Change	
				2018				2019		2018	2019		Aug19	Aug19 /
		2017	2018	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun(P)	Aug	Jul(P)	Aug(P)	/Jul19	Aug18
3	Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	33,259	33,836	5,944	5,549	14,487	7,856	9,678	8,580	5346	2499	7,033	181.5	31.6
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	32,617	30,663	5,848	7,727	7,776	9,312	7,108	7,572	2605	3542	3,068	-13.4	17.8
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	4,352	10,258	1,139	1,974	3,013	4,132	5,449	5,134	995	393	313	-20.4	-68.5
7	Vegetables	10,863	7,386	1,414	1,967	1,850	2,155	1,718	2,080	716	731	800	9.5	11.8
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	5,316	7,341	1,622	1,811	1,699	2,209	919	1,500	477	464	580	25.1	21.7
2	Meat and edible offal	706	4,846	575	348	375	351	177	127	115	23	19	-19.7	-83.8
39	Plastics and articles	1,112	3,677	24	866	540	2,247	337	533	66	13	85	539.9	28.6
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	8,816	3,273	360	852	1,384	677	1,040	1,937	605	218	482	121.1	-20.4
15	Fats and oils	2,190	2,268	44	529	1,147	548	1,180	1,346	447	0	179	#DIV/0!	-59.8
8	Fruit and nuts	1,904	1,960	518	554	364	524	601	513	73	99	35	-64.4	-52.2
23	Food wastes	896	1,309	344	285	120	561	16	79	0	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
19	Cereal preparations	896	1,113	210	160	190	553	346	110	80	3	30	980.7	-62.2
18	Cocoa	638	908	58	553	69	226	24	152	17	67	7	-90.2	-61.7
24	Tobacco	462	699	115	192	153	238	238	110	84	42	98	134.1	16.2
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	532	505	20	125	147	213	382	47	3	25	8	-68.2	154.2
12	Oil seeds	177	477	131	129	84	134	42	87	45	1	174	14419.1	282.4
4	Dairy	160	477	82	114	245	3,235	37	70	78	21	42	101.2	-45.8
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	55	470	128	192	131	19	2	14	46	3	0	-100.0	-100.0
64	Footwear	333	464	1	116	45	301	110	0	17	0	0	-100.0	-100.0
16	Meat and fish preparation	598	451	167	80	169	35	99	59	75	25	29	17.4	-60.6
72-73	Iron and steel and articles	1,130	692	89	187	235	182	273	148	147	2	53	2415.7	-63.6
44	Wood and articles of wood	203	429	45	150	84	150	24	181	32	5	0	-100.0	-100.0
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	206	390	80	98	138	74	30	257	83	3	44	1661.3	-46.4
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	138	357	35	44	162	116	92	86	109	11	197	1751.1	80.4
62	Apparel and clothing accessories	217	314	23	44	175	73	23	124	5	8	93	1070.0	1790.5
38	Chemical products n.e.s.	244	311	164	70	14	63	5	414	4	122	26	-78.8	571.2
94	Furniture, furnishings and light fittings	148	301	20	130	62	89	54	154	2	12	43	263.0	1626.6
25	Mineral substances	306	291	23	58	40	170	29	139	21	42	0	-99.8	-99.6
34	Soaps and polishes	78	270	12	32	35	192	15	20	24	488	0	-100.0	-100.0
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	75	235	51	34	76	79	26	29	36	5	0	-95.2	-99.3
17	Sugar	56	152	45	30	39	38	10	20	15	2	9	308.3	-42.3
10	Cereals	67	143	21	29	65	28	9	23	19	7	12	86.8	-33.6
...	Others	3,462	2,937	698	829	908	496	592	319	446	116	47	-59.7	-89.5
<b>01-98</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>20,050</b>	<b>25,858</b>	<b>36,021</b>	<b>37,276</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>31,965</b>	<b>12,833</b>	<b>8,991</b>	<b>13,508</b>	<b>50.2</b>	<b>5.3</b>

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**Source** Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

**Table 3: Exports (value) by major items, SITC<sup>(3)</sup>**

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

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter						Month			% change	
				2018				2019		2018	2019		Aug19 /	Aug19 /
	2016	2017	2018	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun(P)	Aug	Jul(P)	Aug(P)	Jul19	Aug18
Food & Live Animal	60,826	54,898	63,598	10,660	11,857	21,232	19,849	18,610	17,285	7,673	3,879	8,553	120.5	11.5
Beverages & Tobacco	4,532	5,683	8,012	1,737	1,983	1,852	2,439	1,156	1,610	561	505	668	32.1	19.0
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	1,993	2,081	1,017	258	274	174	311	228	298	44	0	49	30428.6	11.0
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	30,888	32,613	30,656	5,848	7,727	7,776	9,305	7,104	7,572	2,605	3,542	3,068	-13.4	17.8
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	2,242	1,398	1,580	17	425	721	416	3	398	432	0	0	#DIV/0!	-100.0
Chemicals & Related Products	249	1,447	1,649	320	268	587	475	1,257	1,072	100	526	191	-63.7	90.7
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	975	2,548	2,904	555	891	836	623	211	792	449	230	42	-81.9	-90.7
Machinery & Transport Equipment	40,685	9,475	4,212	416	1,030	1,695	1,070	1,520	2,081	718	254	687	170.1	-4.3
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	1,366	2,072	5,577	239	1,401	1,149	2,787	593	858	250	54	250	365.6	0.1
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>	<b>143,755</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>20,050</b>	<b>25,858</b>	<b>36,021</b>	<b>37,276</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>31,965</b>	<b>12,833</b>	<b>8,991</b>	<b>13,508</b>	<b>50.2</b>	<b>5.3</b>

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3 SITC: Standard International Trade Classification

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**Source** Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

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

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

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter						Month			% Change	
				2018				2019		2018	2019		Aug19 /	Aug19 /
	2016	2017	2018(P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun(P)	Aug	Jul(P)	Aug(P)	Jul19	Aug18
<b>Region</b>														
Africa	18	32	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
America	9,597	7,597	11,549	1,158	4,117	3,360	2,914	7,050	4,139	1,379	970	1,046	7.9	-24.1
Asia	17,707	13,781	19,118	3,506	4,268	4,993	6,351	3,989	4,913	1,761	2,202	2,695	22.4	53.1
Europe	978	635	977	315	217	229	217	332	218	97	66	103	55.8	6.2
Oceania	115,455	90,170	87,474	14,986	17,256	27,439	27,793	19,312	22,694	9,596	5,753	9,663	68.0	0.7
Other	0	0	84	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
<b>Top Countries</b>														
New Zealand	17,181	22,076	21,101	4,286	4,770	5,272	6,773	4,623	5,684	1,827	1,942	1,762	-9.2	-3.5
Australia	51,623	24,051	12,850	1,573	3,391	3,255	4,631	2,592	3,511	1,014	681	870	27.6	-14.2
American Samoa	37,060	29,876	31,779	5,261	4,821	13,510	8,188	8,494	7,757	4,761	1,938	5,856	202.2	23.0
Fiji	4,575	4,496	4,234	767	849	1,561	1,056	832	699	299	295	299	1.6	0.0
Tokelau	4,236	9,159	16,439	2,814	3,136	3,500	6,989	2,543	2,918	1,602	842	790	-6.1	-50.7
China	2,050	1,281	1,446	75	238	390	742	293	428	20	1	150	14882.6	631.5
Taiwan	7,576	6,038	8,716	1,380	2,133	2,443	2,761	945	1,665	994	864	850	-1.7	-14.5
Japan	4,238	4,028	3,995	1,333	1,087	978	597	969	545	393	343	1,372	299.8	248.7
Singapore	1,619	978	1,571	425	231	434	481	398	591	79	354	139	-60.7	76.1
USA	9,592	6,253	11,214	1,126	4,036	3,258	2,794	6,001	3,687	1,331	908	1,029	13.3	-22.7
Other countries	4,005	3,979	5,860	1,011	1,166	1,420	2,264	2,994	4,478	513	823	391	-52.6	-23.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>143,755</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>20,050</b>	<b>25,858</b>	<b>36,021</b>	<b>37,276</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>31,965</b>	<b>12,833</b>	<b>8,991</b>	<b>13,508</b>	<b>50.2</b>	<b>5.3</b>

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**Table 5: Imports by main Commodities**  
**Values (000 tala) <sup>(1)(2)</sup>**

HS Code	Commodity	Annual		Quarter						Month			% Change	
				2018				2019		2018		2019	Aug19 / Jul19	Aug19 / Aug18
		2017	2018	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun(P)	Aug	Jul(P)	Aug(P)		
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	144,208	178,467	31,425	47,600	55,532	43,910	48,549	35,552	21378	23,223	20,994	-9.6	-1.8
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	58,733	68,629	13,829	17,125	16,665	21,009	17,185	30,484	3786	5,107	7,821	53.1	106.6
2	Meat and edible meat offal	68,225	65,488	14,150	14,925	16,401	20,012	10,990	17,500	6314	5,773	6,798	17.7	7.7
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	65,998	55,480	15,718	14,929	11,928	12,906	19,375	15,846	5281	4,100	3,733	-8.9	-29.3
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	49,175	50,752	10,553	12,138	15,713	12,348	9,417	14,648	7475	6,795	5,926	-12.8	-20.7
44	Wood and articles of wood	30,278	31,139	4,738	7,643	8,023	10,735	6,266	8,673	2239	2,078	3,348	61.1	49.5
19	Cereal preparations	26,319	29,884	6,830	7,434	6,944	8,677	7,080	7,065	2896	1,740	2,173	24.9	-25.0
4	Dairy	27,564	29,274	6,836	6,959	7,379	8,100	6,802	8,535	2826	2,027	2,614	29.0	-7.5
39	Plastics and articles	28,833	29,232	6,103	6,297	7,797	9,034	6,439	7,858	2770	1,708	2,568	50.4	-7.3
16	Meat and fish preparation	19,171	24,251	5,194	5,158	6,233	7,666	4,481	3,852	2148	1,266	1,469	16.1	-31.6
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	17,167	18,298	3,698	3,897	5,232	5,470	3,609	4,287	1185	1,313	1,637	24.7	38.1
48	Paper products	14,883	16,865	3,741	4,253	4,534	4,337	4,080	4,449	1940	1,344	1,260	-6.3	-35.0
10	Cereals	10,446	16,613	3,002	4,038	4,103	5,470	2,895	1,995	1700	882	1,016	15.2	-40.2
25	Mineral substances	15,517	16,378	4,691	3,564	2,949	5,173	4,815	4,311	848	862	1,280	48.5	50.9
34	Soaps and polishes	11,577	15,141	3,426	3,920	3,898	3,897	2,558	2,972	1610	914	1,069	16.9	-33.6
72-73	Iron and steel	57,000	46,784	8,423	11,379	12,864	14,118	15,404	11,851	6223	3,603	3,465	-3.8	-44.3
11	Milling industry products	13,700	14,247	3,421	3,530	3,858	3,437	3,205	3,777	1170	969	1,538	58.7	31.4
17	Sugar	16,780	14,117	3,198	4,066	2,914	3,940	2,390	3,357	987	1,318	937	-28.9	-5.0
30	Pharmaceutical products	12,455	13,930	4,184	2,460	3,001	4,286	2,280	3,421	1102	1,693	1,777	4.9	61.2
94	Furniture	15,559	13,486	2,629	3,157	4,596	3,103	3,737	5,631	1815	1,250	1,216	-2.8	-33.0
38	Chemical products n.e.c.	9,983	10,618	2,277	2,955	3,077	2,308	2,122	2,631	1263	872	981	12.6	-22.3
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	10,331	10,225	2,474	1,521	2,607	3,624	3,582	2,465	714	656	591	-9.9	-17.2
40	Rubber	8,585	9,802	2,221	2,976	2,286	2,320	1,721	2,198	828	463	617	33.3	-25.5
90	Optical, medical, and measuring equipment	9,492	9,316	1,563	2,115	2,099	3,539	2,742	2,066	545	478	338	-29.2	-37.9
7	Vegetables	9,909	9,249	2,211	2,332	2,455	2,252	2,264	2,510	931	539	855	58.6	-8.2
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	8,590	9,226	1,836	1,903	2,708	2,779	1,752	2,268	761	785	705	-10.2	-7.3
22	Beverages	9,432	8,870	2,108	1,940	2,179	2,643	1,133	2,079	898	479	776	62.1	-13.5
62	Apparel not knitted and crocheted	7,787	8,585	1,434	1,651	2,226	3,275	1,953	2,805	986	784	1,408	79.6	42.8
15	Fats and oils	8,201	8,495	1,653	2,213	2,323	2,307	1,661	2,050	1031	613	1,007	64.2	-2.3
32	Dyes, tannin, and paint	7,390	7,440	1,661	1,702	1,725	2,352	2,508	2,437	536	638	1,085	70.2	102.2
76	Aluminium	8,161	7,411	2,223	1,304	2,222	1,663	2,511	3,117	786	572	362	-36.7	-53.9
20	Vegetable, fruit, and nut preparations	4,750	6,562	1,148	1,316	2,113	1,985	1,490	1,721	812	743	1,025	38.0	26.3
68	Stone	6,669	6,397	1,099	1,389	939	2,969	1,624	1,689	329	204	809	296.2	145.7
70	Glass and glassware	7,786	6,083	1,243	1,059	1,147	2,633	1,488	2,279	347	225	617	174.1	77.6
55	Man-made staple fibres	5,091	5,251	1,309	1,154	1,299	1,490	1,868	1,364	130	294	811	176.4	525.6
3	Fish	3,693	5,137	1,046	1,307	1,535	1,248	1,300	1,048	769	181	968	434.8	25.9
69	Ceramic products	3,709	4,673	950	632	1,654	1,437	1,727	1,158	307	277	380	36.9	23.5
23	Food wastes	4,571	4,655	1,009	1,246	1,156	1,244	1,081	1,229	392	271	460	69.7	17.4
63	Made up textile articles	3,428	3,985	922	821	1,029	1,212	564	2,245	375	278	361	29.7	-4.0
8	Fruits and nuts	3,886	3,974	846	932	1,167	1,029	722	820	529	291	395	35.5	-25.4
82	Metal tools and cutlery	3,495	3,861	819	642	1,336	1,064	897	842	322	266	418	57.1	29.7
95	Toys and games	3,310	3,710	599	922	838	1,351	432	6,179	168	294	328	11.6	95.2
83	Miscellaneous metal articles	3,262	3,695	557	1,171	933	1,034	678	1,290	174	249	573	130.6	230.1
61	Knitted and crocheted apparel	2,833	3,583	659	647	1,085	1,192	938	1,393	434	246	154	-37.4	-64.5
9	Coffee, tea, and spices	2,255	3,130	803	596	744	987	580	436	155	111	201	81.2	29.3
24	Tobacco	2,555	2,751	1,195	756	429	371	559	1,004	306	244	331	35.7	8.3
64	Footwear	2,850	2,685	572	725	736	652	431	526	374	221	382	72.8	2.1
37	Photographic equipment	1,188	2,396	367	1,033	430	566	719	807	195	117	154	30.9	-21.3
49	Books and newspapers	15,560	2,229	524	551	549	605	392	693	179	153	1,357	788.1	657.2
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	1,613	1,822	483	420	479	439	364	531	37	131	162	23.6	338.2
18	Cocoa	1,331	1,596	269	397	437	493	146	334	185	152	116	-23.3	-37.1
52	Cotton	1,097	1,093	228	306	250	309	355	107	198	75	62	-16.5	-68.5
...	Others	14,616	12,482	2,922	2,547	3,364	3,649	3,034	5,305	1292	656	1,029	56.9	-20.3
<b>01-98</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>197,020</b>	<b>227,652</b>	<b>250,123</b>	<b>264,649</b>	<b>226,898</b>	<b>255,687</b>	<b>92,981</b>	<b>80,521</b>	<b>92,458</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>-0.6</b>

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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			% change	
				2018				2019		2018	2019		Aug19 /	Aug19 /
	2016	2017	2018	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun(P)	Aug	Jul(P)	Aug(P)	Jul19	Aug18
Food & Live Animal	235,810	232,794	249,568	54,434	58,856	63,638	72,640	49,630	59,256	23,376	17,733	22,519	27.0	-3.7
Beverages & Tobacco	12,568	11,548	11,226	3,197	2,571	2,530	2,928	1,615	3,013	1,163	692	1,022	47.7	-12.1
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	21,317	24,438	31,810	3,685	8,384	9,624	10,117	7,055	10,068	3,749	2,015	3,169	57.3	-15.5
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	122,284	143,389	173,370	31,254	46,306	52,854	42,956	45,377	32,563	19,080	22,912	20,784	-9.3	8.9
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	5,654	5,766	6,144	1,129	1,631	1,574	1,810	1,254	1,432	730	464	730	57.2	0.0
Chemicals & Related Products	67,573	62,072	70,209	16,255	15,467	18,540	19,948	14,426	17,496	6,822	5,729	7,164	25.1	5.0
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	144,926	148,194	139,555	30,287	31,857	34,990	42,421	40,546	39,243	13,717	9,184	11,522	25.5	-16.0
Machinery & Transport Equipment	190,595	178,973	175,742	40,213	44,296	44,786	46,448	46,207	62,158	16,653	16,049	17,550	9.4	5.4
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	98,260	93,809	81,783	16,559	18,277	21,585	25,362	20,783	30,455	7,689	5,742	7,998	39.3	4.0
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	18	13	35	7	7	2	18	4	2	2	2	0	-100.0	-100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>899,005</b>	<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>197,020</b>	<b>227,652</b>	<b>250,123</b>	<b>264,649</b>	<b>226,898</b>	<b>255,687</b>	<b>92,981</b>	<b>80,521</b>	<b>92,458</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>-0.6</b>

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3 SITC: Standard International Trade Classification

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Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys



**Table 7: Imports by Region, by main Countries of Exports**  
**Values (in '000 Tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>**

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter						Month			% Change	
				2018				2019		2018	2019		Aug19 / Jul19	Aug 19 / Aug18
	2016	2017	2018(P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun(P)	Aug	Jul(P)	Aug(P)		
<b>Region</b>														
Africa	17	47	195	32	6	137	20	14	13	1	0	14	#DIV/0!	817.3
America	95,957	103,318	95,229	22,272	18,610	25,110	29,237	14,817	23,889	9,193	7,200	8,235	14.4	-10.4
Asia	381,432	383,539	427,408	84,099	103,291	115,411	124,606	115,666	118,254	43,593	43,112	42,394	-1.7	-2.8
Europe	12,921	25,772	8,257	1,134	3,771	2,485	867	3,778	3,002	1,379	895	1,618	80.8	17.4
Oceania	408,679	388,321	408,355	89,482	101,973	106,981	109,918	92,623	110,530	38,815	29,315	40,197	37.1	3.6
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
<b>Top Countries</b>														
New Zealand	239,876	237,966	255,627	53,638	65,784	67,170	69,035	58,979	67,945	23,433	18,428	24,663	27.2	-5.0
Australia	95,104	94,593	93,040	22,705	22,506	24,200	23,629	20,226	24,614	10,012	5,887	9,077	70.1	10.3
Fiji	67,542	52,437	53,839	12,462	12,700	13,041	15,636	12,301	16,430	5,052	4,196	5,926	20.4	-14.8
United States of America	92,621	100,314	92,867	21,503	18,159	24,884	28,321	14,303	22,877	9,060	7,187	7,870	26.1	15.1
China	107,063	81,607	84,772	16,931	15,440	22,120	30,281	30,374	46,946	9,763	5,729	4,964	70.4	96.7
Hong Kong	20,285	33,544	45,888	7,708	9,225	12,327	16,629	13,141	10,356	4,592	3,245	3,731	41.5	23.1
Indonesia	13,998	10,407	12,325	3,087	2,443	2,835	3,960	3,055	2,595	1,543	726	833	112.6	85.3
Japan	44,649	38,474	39,987	5,611	12,660	10,947	10,770	7,551	7,610	4,204	4,013	3,717	4.8	13.1
Malaysia	19,466	7,476	7,022	1,604	1,862	1,379	2,177	1,685	3,020	648	330	1,042	96.2	-37.8
Philippines	2,282	1,137	850	105	134	164	448	662	460	15	130	273	-88.4	-94.5
Singapore	130,711	149,180	173,563	32,490	45,982	53,038	42,053	44,569	32,651	18,036	23,227	20,605	-22.3	-12.5
Thailand	24,274	21,893	26,839	5,197	7,684	5,463	8,496	7,662	5,424	1,951	1,147	2,113	70.1	-7.7
India	3,161	2,433	5,732	2,069	1,308	856	1,498	1,229	1,237	41	2,393	1,146	-98.3	-96.4
Korea Democratic People's	3,996	3,338	4,843	662	1,332	1,063	1,786	965	370	178	0	351	#DIV/0!	-49.3
Korea Republic	1,437	17,088	18,106	7,056	2,974	3,133	4,943	2,526	5,471	1,420	1,384	2,314	2.5	-38.6
Papua New Guinea	823	664	346	72	11	120	143	285	167	7	0	32	#DIV/0!	-77.7
Tonga	2,248	187	489	3	102	146	238	58	38	22	11	119	91.1	-81.6
Taiwan, Province of China	4,932	1,371	2,433	564	670	915	283	982	273	516	176	1,023	193.8	-49.6
Viet Nam	4,560	11,894	3,408	663	809	723	1,214	956	1,385	280	470	243	-40.5	15.2
Other countries	19,976	34,995	17,466	2,891	5,867	5,601	3,106	5,389	5,820	2,208	1,842	2,417	19.9	-8.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>899,005</b>	<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>197,020</b>	<b>227,652</b>	<b>250,123</b>	<b>264,649</b>	<b>226,898</b>	<b>255,687</b>	<b>92,981</b>	<b>80,521</b>	<b>92,458</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>-0.6</b>

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