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Overseas Merchandise Trade May 2020

Highlights of the month

May 2020 compared with April 2020

Merchandise Exports¹

- ❖ The total value of merchandise exports decreased 28.5 percent (to \$7.9 million).
- ❖ Led by 'Fish, crustaceans and molluscs' (down 1.2 million)
- ❖ Fish, crustaceans and molluscs' was the top commodity group exported in May 2020, accounting for 30.4 percent of total merchandise export value.
- ❖ Asia region reported the largest fall in exports (down \$1.9 million) as reflected by the significant decrease in exports to trading countries of Asia.
- ❖ Exports to the America region decreased by \$1.1 million, mainly led by USA.
- ❖ American Samoa was the top export market in May 2020, accounting for 32.2 percent of total merchandise exports value.

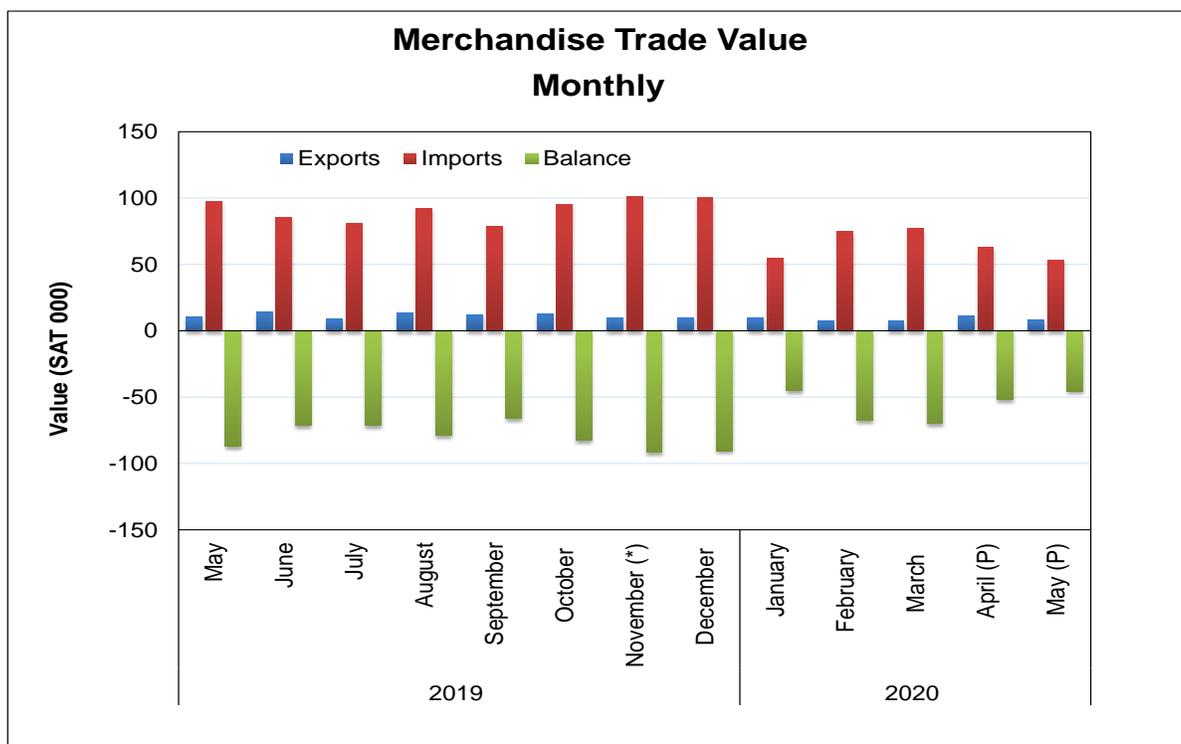
Merchandise Imports

- ❖ The total value of merchandise imports decreased 15.0 percent (to \$53.4 million)
- ❖ This fall was mainly led by:
 - ✓ 'Mineral fuels, lubricants & related materials (down \$9.5 million)
 - ✓ 'Food & Live Animals (down \$2.4 million) and
 - ✓ 'Animal & Vegetable oils, fats & Waxes (down \$0.3 million).
- ❖ Asia region recorded the largest decrease (down \$14.3 million) with Singapore the main driver of the current fall (down \$10.9 million) due to no importation of the petroleum product during the month.
- ❖ America region also decreased (down \$0.9 million) with the total merchandise import share of 15. 2 percent.
- ❖ New Zealand was the leading source market for imports in May 2020, accounting for 28.3 percent of the total merchandise import value.

Trade Balance

- The total value of imports (\$53.4 million) exceeded that of exports (\$7.9 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$45.4 million.

¹ 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 June 2020 Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on August 12th 2020.

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Table 1: Overseas Merchandise Trade
Values (000 tala) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Period		Exports	Imports	Balance
Annual				
	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
Quarter				
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 (P)	32,608	297,161	-264,553
2020	March (P)	24,478	206,424	-181,945
Month				
2017	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
2018	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
2019	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
2020	January	9,900	54,741	-44,841
	February	7,300	74,938	-67,637
	March	7,278	76,745	-69,467
	April (P)	11,088	62,770	-51,682
	May (P)	7,924	53,370	-45,446

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Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

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) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

HS Code	Commodity	Annual		Quarter			Month				% Change	
				2019		2020	2019		2020		May 20 /Apr20	May20 /May19
		2018	2019(P)	Mar	Dec (P)	Mar (P)	May	Mar	Apr (P)	May (P)		
3	Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	33,836	46,415	9,678	12,690	6,454	3,141	1,382	3,591	2,413	-32.8	-23.2
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	30,663	32,165	7,108	7,959	6,986	2,706	1,297	947	772	-18.5	-71.5
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	10,258	12,237	5,449	821	1,260	940	532	137	246	79.3	-73.8
7	Vegetables	7,386	7,915	1,718	1,847	1,453	631	600	454	1,077	137.3	70.6
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	7,341	5,238	919	1,394	1,148	458	283	7	354	4943.5	-22.7
2	Meat and edible offal	4,846	583	177	186	76	40	12	36	3	-92.2	-92.9
39	Plastics and articles	3,677	1,005	337	23	751	278	212	10	328	3231.4	18.2
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	3,273	4,879	1,040	929	1,237	695	344	2,742	518	-81.1	-25.5
15	Fats and oils	2,268	4,740	1,180	1,746	786	406	504	173	-	-100.0	-100.0
8	Fruit and nuts	1,960	2,024	601	603	578	97	241	111	183	65.4	88.2
23	Food wastes	1,309	166	16	54	161	14	152	2	17	913.7	25.6
19	Cereal preparations	1,113	741	346	191	286	38	184	26	1	-97.0	-97.9
18	Cocoa	908	587	24	187	172	16	22	16	52	230.5	218.5
24	Tobacco	699	1,337	238	696	786	42	254	49	43	-12.5	2.1
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	505	808	382	340	261	7	235	9	19	116.7	164.0
12	Oil seeds	477	950	42	494	110	8	78	85	35	-59.0	360.8
4	Dairy	477	308	37	126	110	22	53	106	201	88.8	809.0
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	470	68	2	36	117	0	114	22	-	-100.0	0.0
64	Footwear	464	216	110	1	94	0	94	-	-	0.0	-100.0
16	Meat and fish preparation	451	376	99	152	118	19	113	61	71	17.7	272.1
72-73	Iron and steel and articles	692	845	273	253	196	64	46	101	74	-26.7	15.6
44	Wood and articles of wood	429	371	24	130	198	64	56	101	118	16.8	85.6
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	390	481	30	49	296	26	67	95	53	-44.1	102.2
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	357	623	92	188	167	10	45	12	4	-66.8	-60.5
62	Apparel and clothing accessories	314	454	23	112	3	88	-	-	-	0.0	-100.0
38	Chemical products n.e.s.	311	730	5	93	41	87	17	1	1	34.2	-98.4
94	Furniture, furnishings and light fittings	301	554	54	228	116	82	71	59	149	153.9	82.0
25	Mineral substances	291	325	29	72	44	40	7	23	49	109.1	20.9
34	Soaps and polishes	270	1,020	15	493	54	9	39	1,929	735	-61.9	7914.3
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	235	84	26	3	25	24	20	4	16	276.0	-33.6
17	Sugar	152	61	10	13	9	6	3	-	3	0.0	-51.8
10	Cereals	143	105	9	51	49	6	26	21	40	89.3	546.6
...	Others	2,937	1,688	592	448	338	56	178	158	347	119.6	518.1
01-98	Total	119,204	130,098	30,683	32,608	24,478	10,122	7,278	11,088	7,924	-28.5	-21.7

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Source Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

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Table 3: Exports (value) by major items, SITC⁽³⁾

Values (000 tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter					Month					% change	
				2019				2020	2019		2020			May 20 /Apr 20	May 20 /May 19
	2017	2018	2019 (P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec(P)	Mar (P)	May	Feb	Mar	Apr (P)	May (P)		
0 Food & Live Animal	54,898	63,598	73,254	18,610	17,285	19,941	17,418	11,092	5,019	2,570	3,449	4,667	4,384	-6.1	-12.6
1 Beverages & Tobacco	5,683	8,012	6,563	1,156	1,610	1,707	2,089	1,934	500	584	537	56	397	612.1	-20.6
2 Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	2,081	1,017	881	228	298	116	239	228	109	103	48	132	141	6.6	29.5
3 Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	32,613	30,656	32,159	7,104	7,572	9,524	7,959	6,984	2,706	2,734	1,297	947	772	-18.5	-71.5
4 Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	1,398	1,580	2,110	3	398	198	1,511	708	0	4	426	0	0	0.0	0.0
5 Chemicals & Related Products	1,447	1,649	4,021	1,257	1,072	840	852	226	449	21	140	2,119	767	-63.8	70.8
6 Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	2,548	2,904	2,625	211	792	572	1,050	565	155	270	261	301	412	36.7	165.7
7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	9,475	4,212	6,066	1,520	2,081	1,271	1,194	1,671	723	485	630	2,763	550	-80.1	-23.8
8 Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	2,072	5,577	2,369	593	858	671	246	1,071	462	530	490	102	501	390.6	8.4
9 Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere	0	0	49	0	0	0	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Total	112,215	119,204	130,098	30,683	31,965	34,841	32,608	24,478	10,122	7,300	7,278	11,088	7,924	-28.5	-21.7

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

Values (in '000 Tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Region/Country	Annual				Quarter					Month					% Change		
	2016	2017	2018	2019 (P)	2019				2020	2020					May 20 /Apr 20	May 20 / May 19	
					Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep		Dec(P)	Mar (P)	May	Feb	Mar			Apr (P)
Region																	
Africa	18	32	1	10	1	0	2	0	8	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
America	9,597	7,597	11,549	16,829	2,914	7,050	4,139	2,669	2,972	2,175	1,168	275	802	1,970	841	-57.3	-28.0
Asia	17,707	13,781	19,118	22,115	6,351	3,989	4,913	6,857	6,356	3,912	2,031	1,329	1,085	2,451	537	-78.1	-73.5
Europe	978	635	977	1,055	217	332	218	234	272	1,270	116	960	115	147	103	-30.0	-11.3
Oceania	115,455	90,170	87,474	90,087	27,793	19,312	22,694	25,081	23,000	17,121	6,806	4,736	5,276	6,520	6,443	-1.2	-5.3
Other	0	0	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Top Countries																	
New Zealand	17,181	22,076	21,101	20,762	6,773	4,623	5,684	5,582	4,873	4,149	1,619	1,181	1,366	715	1,657	131.6	2.3
Australia	51,623	24,051	12,850	10,663	4,631	2,592	3,511	2,338	2,223	2,182	1,281	721	583	2,626	246	-90.6	-80.8
American Samoa	37,060	29,876	31,779	40,423	8,188	8,494	7,757	13,100	11,072	6,408	2,805	1,525	1,374	2,091	2,555	22.2	-8.9
Fiji	4,575	4,496	4,234	3,323	1,056	832	699	879	913	585	205	114	207	10	-	-100.0	-100.0
Tokelau	4,236	9,159	16,439	11,301	6,989	2,543	2,918	2,594	3,245	2,688	808	932	1,254	954	1,216	27.4	50.5
China	2,050	1,281	1,446	1,767	742	293	428	440	606	656	37	340	137	111	69	-37.9	88.5
Taiwan	7,576	6,038	8,716	8,152	2,761	945	1,665	2,836	2,706	1,680	618	790	364	635	-	-100.0	-100.0
Japan	4,238	4,028	3,995	5,640	597	969	545	2,098	2,028	816	185	191	249	1,660	430	-74.1	133.0
Singapore	1,619	978	1,571	2,064	481	398	591	625	450	42	346	5	21	26	-	-100.0	-100.0
USA	9,592	6,253	11,214	15,127	2,794	6,001	3,687	2,563	2,876	2,076	1,141	245	767	1,970	841	-57.3	-26.3
Other countries	4,005	3,979	5,860	10,875	2,264	2,994	4,478	1,785	1,617	3,195	1,078	1,255	955	290	911	214.1	-15.5
Total	143,755	112,215	119,204	130,097	37,276	30,683	31,965	34,841	32,608	24,478	10,122	7,300	7,278	11,088	7,924	-28.5	-21.7

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Table 5: Imports by main Commodities

 Values (000 tala) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

HS Code	Commodity	Annual			Quarter					Month					% Change	
		2017	2018	2019 (P)	2019				2020	2019		2020			May 20 / May 20	May 20 / May 19
					Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec (P)	Mar (P)	May	Feb	Mar	Apr (P)	May (P)		
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	144,208	178,467	182,429	48,549	35,552	45,460	52,868	40,676	1,394	21,418	17,812	14,919	4,949	-66.8	255.0
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	58,733	68,629	94,809	17,185	30,484	20,790	26,350	13,809	21,517	4,490	3,946	3,478	3,623	4.2	-83.2
2	Meat and edible meat offal	68,225	65,488	69,433	10,990	17,500	20,117	20,825	15,733	5,885	5,774	7,622	7,039	5,007	-28.9	-14.9
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	65,998	55,480	69,003	19,375	15,846	11,958	21,824	15,463	5,762	4,253	4,973	1,747	3,694	111.4	-35.9
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	49,175	50,752	65,448	9,417	14,648	22,637	18,746	12,244	5,087	3,908	5,380	2,635	3,191	21.1	-37.3
44	Wood and articles of wood	30,278	31,139	34,940	6,266	8,673	8,132	11,869	3,652	2,447	1,495	1,128	865	1,681	94.2	-31.3
19	Cereal preparations	26,319	29,884	29,417	7,080	7,065	6,820	8,453	6,305	3,054	2,021	2,486	2,727	2,147	-21.3	-29.7
4	Dairy	27,564	29,274	31,626	6,802	8,535	7,533	8,756	6,912	2,544	2,079	2,331	2,717	2,976	9.5	17.0
39	Plastics and articles	28,833	29,232	29,660	6,439	7,858	6,986	8,377	4,829	3,626	1,411	1,671	1,730	1,356	-21.6	-62.6
16	Meat and fish preparation	19,171	24,251	19,612	4,481	3,852	4,674	6,605	5,551	1,158	1,741	2,082	1,427	1,675	17.4	44.7
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	17,167	18,298	18,038	3,609	4,287	5,016	5,127	3,987	1,859	1,129	1,609	1,420	1,125	-20.7	-39.5
48	Paper products	14,883	16,865	17,234	4,080	4,449	4,144	4,561	3,727	2,012	1,342	1,166	785	1,313	67.2	-34.8
10	Cereals	10,446	16,613	11,484	2,895	1,995	3,346	3,248	3,502	1,218	1,275	1,246	592	144	-75.6	-88.2
25	Mineral substances	15,517	16,378	18,956	4,815	4,311	3,543	6,287	2,755	1,401	673	928	1,036	761	-26.5	-45.6
34	Soaps and polishes	11,577	15,141	12,662	2,558	2,972	3,377	3,756	3,407	1,363	844	1,251	1,149	1,003	-12.7	-26.4
72-73	Iron and steel	57,000	46,784	54,211	15,404	11,851	12,163	14,794	10,739	4,732	3,332	2,633	861	1,462	69.7	-69.1
11	Milling industry products	13,700	14,247	15,459	3,205	3,777	4,136	4,341	2,779	1,552	955	649	1,542	1,287	-16.5	-17.1
17	Sugar	16,780	14,117	13,049	2,390	3,357	3,341	3,960	2,046	1,226	369	780	662	1,362	105.9	11.1
30	Pharmaceutical products	12,455	13,930	12,875	2,280	3,421	4,126	3,048	2,213	1,207	627	485	606	940	55.1	-22.1
94	Furniture	15,559	13,486	17,788	3,737	5,631	3,491	4,929	2,484	2,664	1,160	385	719	354	-50.8	-86.7
38	Chemical products n.e.c.	9,983	10,618	9,952	2,122	2,631	2,538	2,660	2,032	788	514	373	345	974	182.5	23.5
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	10,331	10,225	10,569	3,582	2,465	2,087	2,435	2,333	1,057	982	690	451	1,105	144.9	4.5
40	Rubber	8,585	9,802	7,967	1,721	2,198	1,852	2,197	1,503	862	559	449	690	608	-11.9	-29.5
90	Optical, medical, and measuring equipment	9,492	9,316	9,520	2,742	2,066	1,303	3,410	2,803	645	737	594	2,764	2,891	4.6	348.3
7	Vegetables	9,909	9,249	9,474	2,264	2,510	2,163	2,537	2,124	793	766	741	457	689	50.6	-13.2
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	8,590	9,226	9,391	1,752	2,268	2,850	2,521	1,557	1,080	594	419	1,687	323	-80.9	-70.1
22	Beverages	9,432	8,870	7,400	1,133	2,079	2,208	1,980	1,156	822	305	394	422	438	3.8	-46.8
62	Apparel not knitted and crocheted	7,787	8,585	12,034	1,953	2,805	3,618	3,658	1,060	1,513	579	307	340	241	-29.3	-84.1
15	Fats and oils	8,201	8,495	8,136	1,661	2,050	2,435	1,990	1,621	764	377	639	995	800	-19.6	4.7
32	Dyes, tannin, and paint	7,390	7,440	9,913	2,508	2,437	2,366	2,602	1,518	1,166	469	736	235	516	119.4	-55.7
76	Aluminium	8,161	7,411	10,060	2,511	3,117	1,378	3,054	1,963	1,079	777	373	312	343	10.2	-68.2
20	Vegetable, fruit, and nut preparations	4,750	6,562	7,978	1,490	1,721	2,500	2,267	1,818	696	612	765	402	509	26.5	-26.9
68	Stone	6,669	6,397	6,916	1,624	1,689	1,540	2,063	2,147	735	578	765	227	116	-49.0	-84.3
70	Glass and glassware	7,786	6,083	7,104	1,488	2,279	1,027	2,310	864	695	594	193	461	514	11.4	-26.0
55	Man-made staple fibres	5,091	5,251	7,168	1,868	1,364	1,692	2,243	1,091	248	498	469	311	1	-99.8	-99.7
3	Fish	3,693	5,137	5,949	1,300	1,048	1,521	2,081	1,404	99	513	596	417	88	-78.9	-11.0
69	Ceramic products	3,709	4,673	5,931	1,727	1,158	1,468	1,578	1,938	218	859	215	172	81	-52.8	-62.8
23	Food wastes	4,571	4,655	4,750	1,081	1,229	1,056	1,384	1,215	535	512	515	467	531	13.6	-0.9
63	Made up textile articles	3,428	3,985	5,262	564	2,245	991	1,462	621	1,175	185	250	55	289	424.4	-75.4
8	Fruits and nuts	3,886	3,974	3,723	722	820	961	1,219	660	284	234	348	212	196	-7.8	-31.1
82	Metal tools and cutlery	3,495	3,861	3,567	897	842	854	973	506	364	73	158	266	67	-74.9	-81.7
95	Toys and games	3,310	3,710	8,846	432	6,179	907	1,328	419	5,329	111	179	231	118	-48.9	-97.8
83	Miscellaneous metal articles	3,262	3,695	4,342	678	1,290	1,294	1,080	740	403	168	431	101	126	24.6	-68.7
61	Knitted and crocheted apparel	2,833	3,583	4,342	938	1,393	846	1,165	1,023	303	117	801	37	106	188.2	-64.9
9	Coffee, tea, and spices	2,255	3,130	2,164	580	436	612	536	540	104	270	96	206	149	-27.6	43.2
24	Tobacco	2,555	2,751	3,120	559	1,004	1,031	526	959	256	331	628	564	31	-94.5	-87.8
64	Footwear	2,850	2,685	2,424	431	526	830	637	506	209	205	132	121	175	44.9	-16.4
37	Photographic equipment	1,188	2,396	2,332	719	807	343	463	508	276	86	258	137	99	-27.6	-64.2
49	Books and newspapers	15,560	2,229	3,380	392	693	1,652	643	3,146	155	197	2,722	28	244	760.4	57.1
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	1,613	1,822	2,521	364	531	499	1,128	511	167	93	286	191	88	-54.0	-47.4
18	Cocoa	1,331	1,596	1,198	146	334	340	378	243	136	14	147	61	58	-4.9	-57.6
52	Cotton	1,097	1,093	817	355	107	246	110	600	33	402	30	9	18	98.1	-46.0
...	Others	14,616	12,482	14,930	3,034	5,305	2,768	3,823	2,482	2,708	1,326	482	739	787	6.5	-70.9
01-98	Total	900,997	939,443	1,031,313	226,898	255,687	251,566	297,161	206,424	97,409	74,937	76,745	62,770	53,370	-15.0	-45.2

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Table 6: Imports (value) by major items, SITC(3)
Values (000 tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter					Month					% change	
				2019				2020	2019		2020			May 20	May 20 /
	2017	2018	2019 (P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec (P)	Mar (P)	May	Feb	Mar	Apr (P)	May (P)	/ Apr 20	May 19
Food & Live Animal	232,794	249,568	246,220	49,630	59,256	64,850	72,483	55,446	21,476	18,527	22,244	20,482	18,113	-11.6	-15.7
Beverages & Tobacco	11,548	11,226	10,100	1,615	3,013	3,050	2,422	1,992	1,055	633	973	980	424	-56.8	-59.9
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	24,438	31,810	35,063	7,055	10,068	7,696	10,244	3,611	2,887	1,282	1,568	1,392	1,299	-6.7	-55.0
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	143,389	173,370	175,246	45,377	32,563	44,806	52,499	39,806	898	21,415	17,387	14,183	4,650	-67.2	417.6
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	5,766	6,144	5,940	1,254	1,432	1,854	1,399	1,139	533	226	403	880	623	-29.2	16.9
Chemicals & Related Products	62,072	70,209	69,884	14,426	17,496	18,994	18,967	13,886	7,383	3,829	4,476	5,061	4,754	-6.1	-35.6
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	148,194	139,555	159,098	40,546	39,243	33,494	45,815	30,437	14,459	10,581	7,822	5,528	6,284	13.7	-56.5
Machinery & Transport Equipment	178,973	175,742	230,974	46,207	62,158	55,595	67,015	41,971	33,043	12,881	14,504	10,214	11,343	11.1	-65.7
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	93,809	81,783	98,777	20,783	30,455	21,225	26,313	18,131	15,674	5,566	7,369	4,037	5,880	45.6	-62.5
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	13	35	11	4	2	2	4	4	0	-	-	13	-	-100.0	-100.0
Total	900,997	939,443	1,031,313	226,898	255,687	251,566	297,161	206,424	97,409	74,938	76,745	62,770	53,370	-15.0	-45.2

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

 Values (in '000 Tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Region/Country	Annual				Quarter	Month					% Change	
	2016	2017	2018	2019(P)	2020	2020					May 20 /Apr 20	May 20 /May 19
					Mar (P)	May	Feb	Mar	Apr (P)	May (P)		
Region												
Africa	17	47	195	41	128	12	0	128	0	0	0.0	0.0
America	95,957	103,318	95,229	93,527	21,273	8,110	6,419	10,294	9,091	8,134	-10.5	0.3
Asia	381,432	383,539	427,408	489,645	97,992	50,197	38,986	33,484	30,550	16,256	-46.8	-67.6
Europe	12,921	25,772	8,257	10,952	1,445	479	175	937	86	23	-73.4	-95.2
Oceania	408,679	388,321	408,355	437,147	85,587	38,611	29,358	31,902	23,043	28,957	25.7	-25.0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Top Countries												
New Zealand	239,876	237,966	255,627	270,086	51,679	22,772	17,303	20,280	11,315	15,095	33.4	33.7
Australia	95,104	94,593	93,040	93,043	18,864	8,002	5,841	6,875	6,770	8,324	23.0	4.0
Fiji	67,542	52,437	53,839	66,895	12,478	7,552	4,177	4,430	4,884	5,500	12.6	27.2
United States of America	92,621	100,314	92,867	90,688	21,512	7,254	6,717	10,251	8,727	8,119	-7.0	11.9
China	107,063	81,607	84,772	127,719	20,082	32,427	8,221	3,063	3,213	3,723	15.9	88.5
Hong Kong	20,285	33,544	45,888	50,131	9,636	6,065	1,739	3,494	849	3,161	272.3	47.9
Indonesia	13,998	10,407	12,325	11,160	1,830	490	932	668	1,530	587	-61.7	19.8
Japan	44,649	38,474	39,987	40,280	9,051	3,442	1,743	1,943	4,979	1,615	-67.6	53.1
Malaysia	19,466	7,476	7,022	9,788	2,838	801	1,048	527	1,084	-	-100.0	100.0
Philippines	2,282	1,137	850	1,990	134	214	110	24	89	-	-100.0	100.0
Singapore	130,711	149,180	173,563	174,133	43,310	2,302	22,487	20,585	15,170	4,237	-72.1	84.0
Thailand	24,274	21,893	26,839	28,481	5,266	1,578	1,886	687	1,891	1,013	-46.4	35.8
India	3,161	2,433	5,732	12,268	220	19	65	26	151	15	-90.3	23.1
Korea Democratic People's	3,996	3,338	4,843	4,783	1,167	59	738	369	60	676	1,032.0	1,046.1
Korea Republic	1,437	17,088	18,106	19,583	3,664	2,172	24	1,585	66	1,229	1,765.0	43.4
Papua New Guinea	823	664	346	580	10	2	7	-	92	0	-100.0	100.0
Tonga	2,248	187	489	296	565	4	486	45	-	0	0.0	100.0
Taiwan, Province of China	4,932	1,371	2,433	4,551	555	199	238	196	322	0	-100.0	100.0
Viet Nam	4,560	11,894	3,408	5,035	970	218	554	314	939	0	-100.0	100.0
Other countries	19,976	34,995	17,466	19,824	2,592	1,836	622	1,381	643	75	-88.3	95.9
Total	899,005	900,997	939,443	1,031,313	206,424	97,409	74,937	76,745	62,770	53,370	-15.0	45.2

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