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MERCHANDISE TRADE March 2022 quarter

Highlights of the quarter

(March 2022 quarter compared with March 2021 quarter)

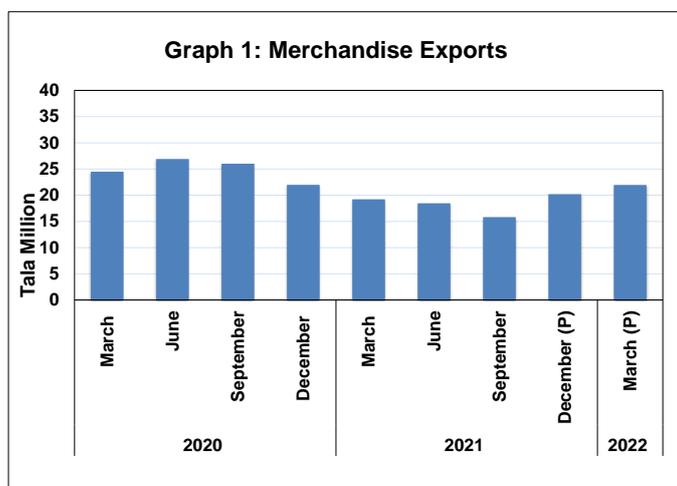
- Total merchandise exports increased 14.2 percent to \$22.0 million.
- Total merchandise imports declined 5.1 percent to \$214.1 million.
- Resulting in a trade deficit of \$192.1 million.

Overview

Value of Merchandise Exports

The total value of exports in the March 2022 quarter increased 14.2 percent (or \$2.7 million) to \$22.0 million over the same quarter last year. In comparison with the December 2021 quarter, the value of exports also increased by 8.6 percent. Largely responsible for the increase were higher values of fats and oils (coconut oil) and tobacco exports to mention a few.

(See Graph 1 and Table 1).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Total exports in the four quarters ending March 2022 decreased 18.8 percent when compared to the four quarters ending March 2021.

Exports of Main Commodities

Fats and oil became the top exported commodity in the March 2022 quarter, valued at \$7.5 million, accounting for 34.4 percent of total merchandise exports value. This was \$5.6 million higher than its exports in the March 2021 quarter, but declined by \$3.7 million when compared to the December 2021 quarter.

Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products exports followed with a total value of \$2.8 million (12.6 percent of total merchandise exports value), increasing 28.5 percent and 20.6 percent when compared to March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively.

Electrical machinery and equipment exports increased \$1.2 million (to \$2.2 million) over the same quarter last year accounting for 10.0 percent of total merchandise exports value. When compared to the December 2021 quarter, the value of electrical machinery and equipment decreased \$0.7 million.

Fish exports with a total export value of \$1.8 million accounting for 8.4 percent of total merchandise exports value, decreasing 69.0 percent and 16.0 percent when compared to March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively.

Vegetables exports recorded a total value of \$1.3 million accounting for 6.0 percent of total merchandise exports value, decreasing 39.0 percent and 18.0 percent over the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter in that order.

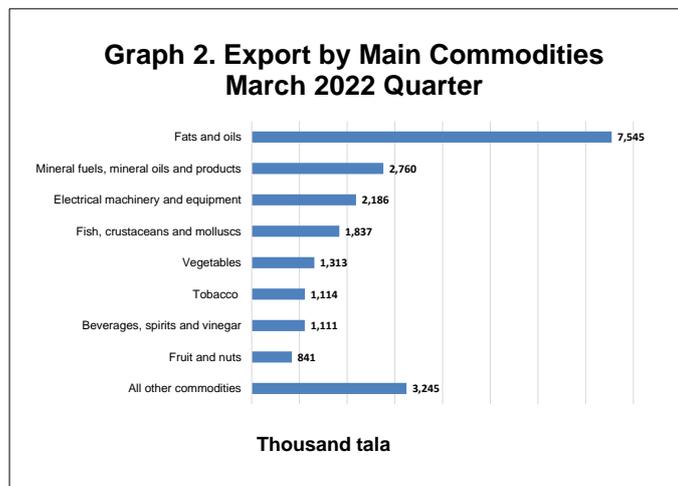
Tobacco exports were valued at \$1.1 million accounting for 5.1 percent of total merchandise exports value. This value was 59.1 percent and 37.9 percent higher than that of March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively.

Beverages, spirits and vinegar exports declined 21.1 percent (to \$1.1 million) when compared to the March 2021 quarter, accounting for 5.1 percent of total merchandise exports value. The exports of beverage, spirits and vinegar reduced by 23.1 percent when compared to the December 2021

quarter.

Fruits and nuts exports were valued at \$0.8 million or 3.8 percent of total merchandise exports value. This value was 7.9 percent and 16.7 percent lower than the same quarter last year and the previous quarter respectively.

All '**other commodities**' recorded less than 3.0 percent share each of total merchandise exports value had a combined total of \$3.2 million. (See Graph 2 and table 2.)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

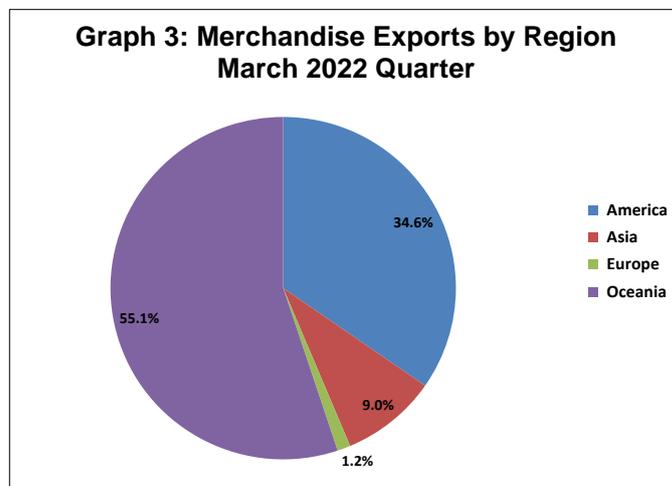
Merchandise Exports by Region

The **Oceania** region recorded the largest share of total merchandise exports value with 55.1 percent, despite the reduction of 9.4 percent and 13.6 percent when compared to the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively.

The **America** region had a total share of 34.6 percent, increasing \$5.1 million when compared to the March 2021 quarter and up \$3.6 million when compared to December 2021 quarter.

The **Asia** region recorded a total share of 9.0 percent, declining 41.7 percent and 7.5 percent over the same quarter of 2021 and the previous quarter respectively.

The **Europe** region had a total share of 1.2 percent, increasing \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million when compared to the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 in that order. (See graph 3 and table 4).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Exports by main Countries

In terms of merchandise exports by country, the **USA** had the largest share of 34.1 percent (\$7.5 million) of total merchandise exports value in the March 2022 quarter. This value was \$5.1 million and \$3.5 million higher than the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively.

Exports to **New Zealand** followed with a share of 17.7 percent (\$3.9 million) of total merchandise exports value. This was 11.3 percent higher when compared to March 2021 but 19.3 percent lower than its value in the December 2021 quarter.

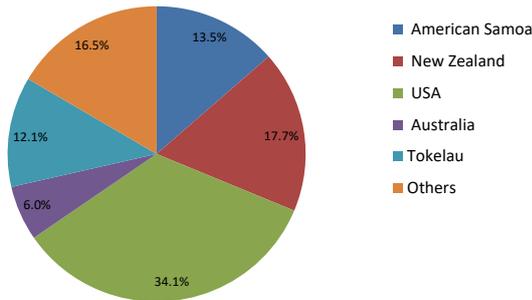
Exports to **American Samoa** recorded a total share of 13.5 percent (\$3.0 million), decreasing 44.9 percent and 16.1 percent when compared to the same quarter last year and the previous quarter respectively.

Exports to **Tokelau** stood at \$2.6 million (12.1 percent share of total merchandise exports value), increasing 95.2 percent and 64.2 percent over the corresponding quarter last year and the previous quarter in that order.

Exports to **Australia** accounted for 6.0 percent share of total merchandise exports value (\$1.3 million), decreasing 24.0 percent and 37.3 percent when compared to the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively.

All '**other countries**' of destination accounted for less than 3.0 percent share each of total merchandise exports value having a combined share of 16.5 percent. (See Graph 4 and Table 4).

**Graph 4: Merchandise Exports by main Countries
March 2022 Quarter**

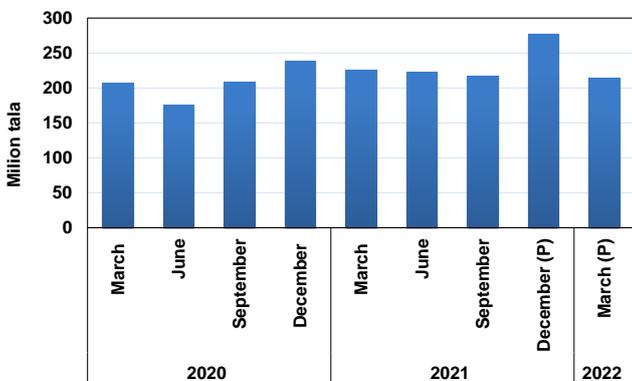


Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Value of Merchandise Imports

Merchandise imports in the March 2022 quarter were valued at \$214.1 million. This was 5.1 percent and 22.7 percent lower than the imports in the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively. (See graph 5 and table 5)

Graph 5: Merchandise Imports



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The total value of merchandise imports in the four quarters ending March 2022 was 9.7 percent lower when compared with the four quarters ending March 2021.

Import of Main Commodities

Mineral fuels, mineral oils and product remained the top commodity group imported in the March 2022 quarter with a total value of \$19.6 million, accounting for 9.2 percent of total merchandise imports value. This was 37.3 percent and 61.6 percent lower when compared to the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively.

Meat and edible meat offal imports were valued at \$19.3 million (9.0 percent of total merchandise imports value), increasing 13.6 percent over the

same quarter last year but declined by 5.3 percent when compared to the preceding quarter.

Iron and steel imports were valued at \$14.5 million (6.8 percent of total merchandise imports value), increasing 58.7 percent when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2021 quarter but fell 3.3 percent from the previous quarter.

Vehicles, parts and accessories imports decreased 18.6 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2021 (6.2 percent of total merchandise imports value). When compared to the previous quarter, vehicle parts and accessories fell 29.8 percent to \$13.3 million.

Mechanical machinery and equipment exports had a total value of \$13.0 million (6.1 percent of total merchandise imports value), decreased 3.3 percent when compared to the March 2021 quarter but up 0.4 percent when compared to the December 2021 quarter.

Cereal preparation imports reported a total value of \$9.8 million accounting for 4.6 percent of total merchandise imports value. It increased 25.7 percent and 6.9 percent over the March 2021 and December 2021 quarter respectively.

Optical, medical and measuring equipment imports were valued at \$9.5 million (4.5 percent of total merchandise imports value), increasing \$5.9 million and \$6.2 million over the same quarter last year and the previous quarter respectively.

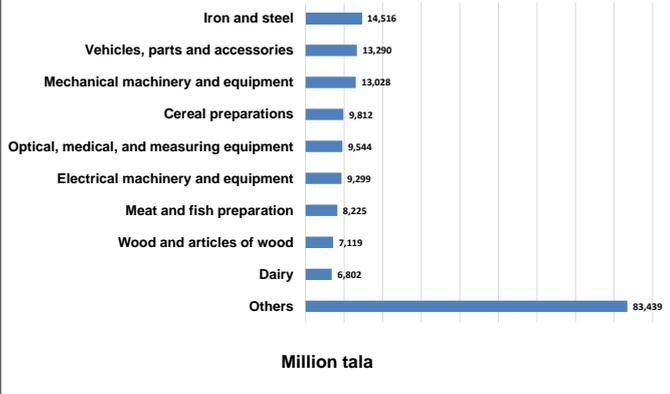
Electrical machinery and equipment imports decreased 7.9 percent when compared to the March 2021 quarter representing 4.3 percent of total merchandise imports value. This was 22.6 percent lower than its imports in the December 2021 quarter.

Meat and fish preparation imports recorded a total value of \$8.2 million (3.8 percent of total merchandise imports value). This value was 28.9 percent and 12.9 percent higher when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2021 and the previous quarter.

Wood and articles of wood and dairy imports valued \$7.1 million and \$6.8 million respectively both fell compared to their imports in the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter. All **'other commodities'** accounted for less than 3.0 percent share each of total merchandise imports value, had a combined total of \$83.4 million.

(See graph 6 and table 5)

**Graph 6: Imports by Main Commodities
March 2022 Quarter**



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Imports by Region

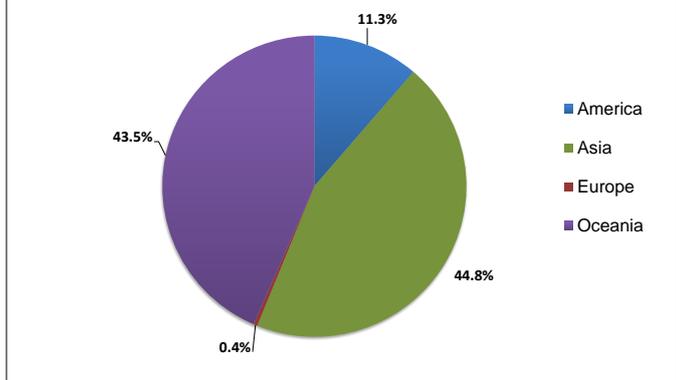
In the March 2022 quarter, imports from the **Asia** region recorded the largest share of 44.8 percent of total merchandise imports value, increasing 7.6 percent when compared to the March 2022 quarter but fell 19.4 percent from the previous quarter.

Oceania recorded a total share of 43.5 percent of total merchandise imports value, declining 17.6 percent from the March 2021 quarter and 30.4 percent from the December 2021 quarter.

America had a total share of 11.3 percent of total merchandise imports value, increasing 6.6 percent over the March 2021 quarter and 1.5 percent over the December 2021 quarter.

Europe had a total share of 0.4 percent, increasing \$0.2 million and \$0.5 million when compared to March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively. (See graph 7 and table 7)

**Graph 7: Merchandise Imports by Region
March 2022 Quarter**



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Imports by main Countries

New Zealand remained as the leading country of destination for Samoa’s exports in the March 2022 quarter with a total value of \$61.0 million, accounting for 28.5 percent of total merchandise exports value. This was 0.9 percent and 29.2 percent lower when compared to the March 2021 quarter and December 2021 quarter respectively.

Imports from **China** followed with a total share of 16.3 percent (\$35.0 million) of total merchandise imports value, increasing 67.5 percent from the March 2021 quarter and 31.1 percent from the December 2021 quarter.

Imports from **USA** recorded a 11.1 percent (\$24.0 million) share of merchandise imports value, increasing 6.5 percent when compared to the March 2021 quarter and slightly went up when compared to the December 2021 quarter.

Imports from **Singapore** stood at \$20.0 million (9.1 percent share of total merchandise imports value), decreasing 33.6 percent and 60.2 percent over the corresponding quarter last year and the previous quarter in that order.

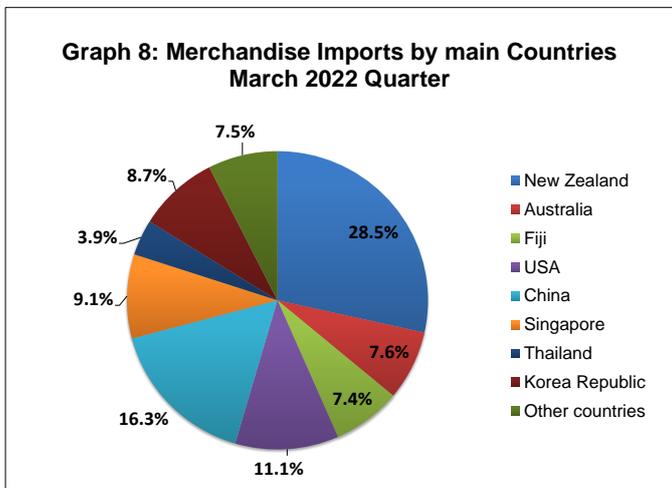
Imports from **Korea** accounted for 8.7 percent (\$19.0 million) share of total merchandise imports value. This was \$11.4 million and \$2.8 million higher when compared to the same quarter last year and the previous quarter respectively.

Imports from **Australia** recorded a share of 7.6 percent (\$16.2 million) of total merchandise imports value, declining 50.1 percent when compared to March 2021 quarter and 5.4 percent when compared to December 2021 quarter.

Imports from **Fiji** represented 7.4 percent (\$13.0 million) share of total merchandise imports value, decreasing 14.7 percent and 45.1 percent when compared to the March 2021 quarter and the previous quarter.

Imports from **Thailand** recorded a total share of 3.9 percent (\$8.3 million of total merchandise imports value), increasing 30.6 percent from the March 2021 quarter and 42.0 percent from the December 2021 quarter.

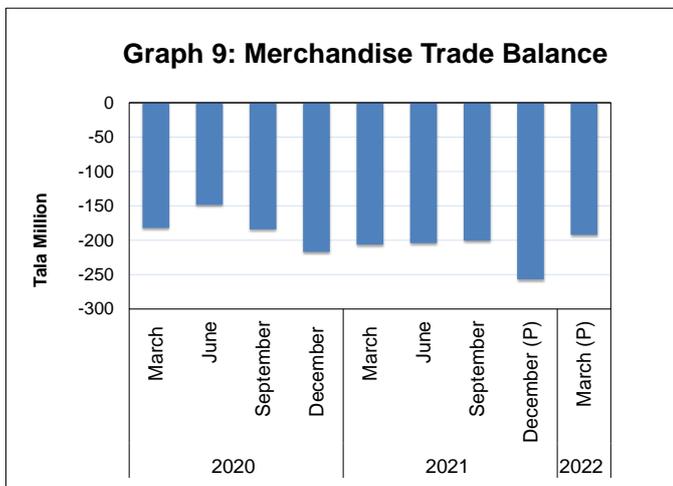
All ‘**other countries**’ contributed less than 3.0 percent share each of total merchandise imports value having a combined share of 7.5 percent. (See graph 8 and table 8)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Trade Balance

In the March 2022 quarter, the total value of merchandise imports of \$214.1 million was higher than the value of merchandise exports of \$22.0 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$192.1 million. (See graph 9 and table 1).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached tables provide the user with more detailed information.

The Merchandise trade report of June 2022 is expected to be available on September 2nd 2022.

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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 Customs and Revenue (Custom Department)

Definitions

March 2022 quarter: (January, February, March 2022)

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				
2016		143,755	899,005	-755,250
2017		112,215	900,997	-788,782
2018		119,204	939,443	-820,239
2,019		130,098	1,031,313	-901,215
2020 (P)		99,339	828,652	-729,313
2021 (P)		73,774	941,271	-867,497
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	21,965	238,724	-216,779
2021	March	19,227	225,540	-206,313
	June	18,450	222,530	-204,080
	September	15,820	216,198	-200,378
	December (P)	20,213	277,003	-256,791
2022	March (P)	21,952	214,056	-192,104

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

HS Code	Commodity	Annual			Quarter									% Change	
		2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	2020				2021				2022	Mar 22 /Dec 21	Mar22 /Mar21
					Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sept	Dec (P)	Mar (P)		
15	Fats and oils	4,740	9,117	11,377	786	3,520	2,352	2,459	1,956	2,482	3,061	3,878	7,545	94.5	285.7
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	32,165	14,149	8,011	6,986	2,258	2,567	2,337	2,148	2,184	1,389	2,289	2,760	20.6	28.5
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	4,879	8,627	7,558	1,237	4,677	1,929	785	960	934	2,756	2,907	2,186	-24.8	127.6
3	Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	46,415	32,774	12,527	6,454	8,461	10,204	7,655	5,925	3,460	954	2,188	1,837	-16.0	-69.0
7	Vegetables	7,915	8,841	7,614	1,453	2,089	2,751	2,548	2,153	2,492	1,369	1,600	1,313	-18.0	-39.0
24	Tobacco	1,337	2,399	3,057	786	301	722	590	700	748	801	808	1,114	37.9	59.1
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	5,238	5,080	5,717	1,148	841	1,265	1,826	1,407	1,385	1,481	1,444	1,111	-23.1	-21.1
8	Fruit and nuts	2,024	2,385	3,118	578	455	773	579	913	607	589	1,009	841	-16.7	-7.9
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	12,237	2,677	2,965	1,260	541	285	591	520	1,000	744	701	393	-44.0	-24.5
72-73	Iron and steel and articles	845	864	1,493	196	219	174	274	290	383	453	367	326	-11.2	12.4
25	Mineral substances	325	468	203	44	77	268	78	14	0	18	171	223	30.7	1440.5
19	Cereal preparations	741	409	645	286	35	40	48	166	195	138	146	196	34.1	18.1
12	Oil seeds	950	812	859	110	242	212	249	246	263	191	159	189	18.9	-23.2
2	Meat and edible offal	583	280	341	76	57	65	83	138	138	55	9	173	1744.0	25.2
18	Cocoa	587	763	1,287	172	88	318	185	287	243	209	549	153	-72.1	-46.6
4	Dairy	308	1,044	454	110	496	263	175	176	66	146	65	145	122.0	-17.8
39	Plastics and articles	1,005	1,181	336	751	383	39	8	84	100	52	101	123	21.7	46.7
16	Meat and fish preparation	376	427	153	118	182	54	73	42	65	22	24	106	338.9	151.3
44	Wood and articles of wood	371	846	778	198	241	308	99	239	177	316	47	97	107.4	-59.3
94	Furniture, furnishings and light fittings	554	970	539	116	397	216	241	70	204	68	197	96	-51.2	36.7
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	481	774	877	296	169	35	274	85	25	46	721	88	-87.8	3.4
34	Soaps and polishes	1,020	154	113	54	28	36	36	44	20	32	17	82	386.0	87.2
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	68	347	132	117	41	84	106	4	12	19	97	66	-32.0	1550.4
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	623	571	302	167	158	152	94	56	120	42	84	62	-26.6	11.1
62	Apparel and clothing accessories	454	26	356	3	0	22	1	11	80	254	11	61	458.6	455.8
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	84	217	206	25	31	64	97	58	69	60	19	56	197.3	-3.0
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	808	402	220	261	54	51	36	8	168	13	30	31	3.1	265.5
17	Sugar	61	27	42	9	13	5	0	3	21	9	9	28	220.3	886.5
10	Cereals	105	170	19	49	109	7	4	0	19	0	0	13	12900.0	0.0
38	Chemical products n.e.s.	730	133	61	41	6	33	53	22	2	16	21	8	-61.6	-63.5
64	Footwear	216	315	205	94	0	103	118	104	101	0	0	6	1295.3	-94.2
23	Food wastes	166	326	333	161	20	52	92	145	24	61	103	4	-96.1	-97.2
...	Others	1,688	1,765	1,875	338	703	553	171	318	663	456	438	520	18.6	63.7
01-98	Total	130,098	99,339	73,774	24,478	26,893	26,002	21,965	19,292	18,450	15,820	20,213	21,952	8.6	13.8

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

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter									% Change	
	2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	2020				2021				2022	Mar22 / Dec 21	Mar22 / Mar 21
				Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec (P)	Mar (P)		
Food & Live Animal	73,254	51,302	30,893	11,092	12,803	14,993	12,414	10,757	8,532	4,429	7,176	5,420	-24.5	-49.6
Beverages & Tobacco	6,563	7,732	8,774	1,934	1,143	2,225	2,430	2,107	2,132	2,282	2,252	2,225	-1.2	5.6
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	881	1,542	1,646	228	413	434	468	284	428	562	373	474	27.2	67.1
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	32,159	14,145	8,023	6,984	2,258	2,567	2,337	2,148	2,184	1,390	2,301	2,759	19.9	28.5
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	2,110	7,170	124	708	8	10	1,757	0	10	11	103	14	-86.3	17400.0
Chemicals & Related Products	4,021	1,790	11,855	226	3,627	2,487	868	2,152	2,586	3,250	3,867	7,787	101.4	261.8
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	2,625	2,376	2,009	565	886	645	280	516	382	570	542	601	11.0	16.5
Machinery & Transport Equipment	6,066	10,339	8,587	1,671	4,898	2,150	899	1,026	1,645	2,814	3,101	2,280	-26.5	122.2
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	2,369	2,930	1,861	1,071	858	490	513	302	550	511	498	392	-21.3	29.8
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	49	14	2	0	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	0.0	0.0
Total	130,098	99,340	73,775	24,478	26,894	26,002	21,965	19,292	18,450	15,820	20,213	21,952	8.6	13.8

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

Values (in '000 Tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter									% Change		
				2020				2021				2022	Mar 22 /Dec 21	Mar22 / Mar21	
	2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	June	Sep	Dec (P)	Mar (P)			
Region															
Africa	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
America	16,829	11,200	13,732	2,175	3,630	2,537	2,857	2,540	3,768	3,462	3,962	7,605	92.0	199.4	
Asia	22,115	12,335	7,660	3,912	3,780	2,076	2,567	3,396	1,605	1,556	2,141	1,981	-7.5	-41.7	
Europe	1,055	1,911	340	1,270	264	135	242	1	159	75	106	269	154.5	38383.5	
Oceania	90,087	73,893	51,979	17,121	19,218	21,254	16,300	13,356	12,918	10,728	14,004	12,097	-13.6	-9.4	
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-100.0	0.0	
Top Countries															
American Samoa	40,423	33,011	15,518	6,408	7,306	10,563	8,733	5,393	4,119	2,513	3,542	2,973	-16.1	-44.9	
New Zealand	20,762	17,447	17,140	4,149	4,385	5,149	3,764	3,495	4,290	4,487	4,822	3,891	-19.3	11.3	
USA	15,127	10,868	13,524	2,076	3,546	2,577	2,668	2,400	3,702	3,462	3,960	7,491	89.2	212.1	
Australia	10,663	8,253	6,403	2,182	3,208	1,202	1,661	1,738	1,238	1,309	2,106	1,321	-37.3	-24.0	
Taiwan	8,152	5,576	4,047	1,680	916	1,574	1,406	1,370	1,397	364	916	0	-100.0	-100.0	
Tokelau	11,301	9,234	5,527	2,688	3,145	2,088	1,313	1,356	1,069	1,584	1,612	2,647	64.2	95.2	
Japan	5,640	5,258	2,666	816	2,506	1,312	624	1,493	830	233	277	0	-100.0	-100.0	
Singapore	2,064	300	856	42	31	30	196	73	264	292	227	246	8.2	235.9	
China	1,767	1,070	367	656	192	128	94	40	105	118	104	54	-48.1	34.8	
Fiji	3,323	780	1,289	585	10	99	86	503	1	11	775	65	-91.6	-87.1	
Other countries	10,875	7,543	6,371	3,195	1,648	1,280	1,420	1,430	1,435	1,447	1,871	3,264	74.4	128.2	
Total	130,097	99,339	73,774	24,478	26,893	26,002	21,965	19,292	18,450	15,820	20,213	21,952	8.6	13.8	

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Table 5: Imports by main Commodities
Values (000 tala) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

HS Code	Commodity	Annual			Quarter									% Change	
		2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	2020				2021				2022	Mar22 /Dec 21	Mar22 /Mar21
					Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	June	Sep	Dec (P)			
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	182,429	115,734	152,667	40,676	21,040	26,211	27,807	31,339	26,197	43,945	51,186	19,646	-61.6	-37.3
2	Meat and edible meat offal	69,433	63,639	77,029	15,733	14,890	16,455	16,560	17,023	22,477	17,103	20,427	19,336	-5.3	13.6
72-73	Iron and steel	54,211	34,321	42,721	10,739	4,400	10,335	8,847	9,144	9,643	8,928	15,006	14,516	-3.3	58.7
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	94,809	58,714	61,689	13,809	10,679	15,891	18,336	16,327	13,662	12,780	18,920	13,290	-29.8	-18.6
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	65,448	59,284	51,178	12,244	11,614	14,925	20,501	13,476	14,182	10,545	12,975	13,028	0.4	-3.3
19	Cereal preparations	29,417	28,933	31,382	6,305	7,668	6,624	8,335	7,806	8,045	6,351	9,180	9,812	6.9	25.7
90	Optical, medical, and measuring equipm	9,520	16,496	11,967	2,803	8,531	1,771	3,392	3,643	3,056	1,876	3,392	9,544	181.4	162.0
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	69,003	48,157	47,631	15,463	11,000	11,223	10,470	10,092	12,226	13,299	12,014	9,299	-22.6	-7.9
16	Meat and fish preparation	19,612	21,966	26,062	5,551	5,510	5,225	5,681	6,379	6,700	5,695	7,288	8,225	12.9	28.9
44	Wood and articles of wood	34,940	27,508	36,298	3,652	4,899	8,783	10,174	9,552	9,117	5,283	12,345	7,119	-42.3	-25.5
4	Dairy	31,626	31,146	34,565	6,912	7,822	7,945	8,468	7,502	8,055	7,838	11,171	6,802	-39.1	-9.3
30	Pharmaceutical products	12,875	23,951	21,506	2,213	2,287	3,477	15,974	4,412	4,740	7,902	4,452	6,268	40.8	42.1
25	Mineral substances	18,956	17,015	18,697	2,755	3,025	6,350	4,885	4,069	4,774	3,314	6,540	5,918	-9.5	45.4
39	Plastics and articles	29,660	20,445	21,878	4,829	5,064	4,952	5,600	5,036	5,536	4,888	6,418	5,619	-12.5	11.6
48	Paper products	17,234	16,573	19,074	3,727	3,388	4,606	4,853	6,350	4,823	3,226	4,675	4,843	3.6	-23.7
10	Cereals	11,484	15,182	11,588	3,502	2,683	6,270	2,727	1,779	4,509	1,956	3,345	4,734	41.5	166.2
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	18,038	16,435	17,132	3,987	3,673	3,728	5,046	4,069	4,415	3,736	4,911	3,792	-22.8	-6.8
34	Soaps and polishes	12,662	14,613	14,980	3,407	3,934	3,506	3,767	2,862	4,580	3,257	4,280	2,954	-31.0	3.2
17	Sugar	13,049	13,303	18,699	2,046	3,874	4,365	3,017	3,427	4,904	4,190	6,178	2,936	-52.5	-14.3
11	Milling industry products	15,459	13,998	15,100	2,779	3,509	3,978	3,732	3,633	3,031	4,306	4,130	2,912	-29.5	-19.9
62	Apparel not knitted and crocheted	12,034	5,297	10,925	1,060	845	1,465	1,927	2,673	1,395	3,021	3,837	2,847	-25.8	6.5
7	Vegetables	9,474	8,151	9,584	2,124	1,873	2,000	2,155	2,618	2,053	2,180	2,733	2,611	-4.5	-0.3
40	Rubber	7,967	7,725	6,888	1,503	2,137	1,903	2,182	1,573	2,038	1,571	1,706	2,284	33.9	45.2
94	Furniture	17,788	9,572	14,084	2,484	1,749	3,389	1,950	4,653	1,483	4,101	3,847	2,205	-42.7	-52.6
38	Chemical products n.e.c.	9,952	8,579	8,989	2,032	2,214	2,147	2,187	2,148	1,976	3,008	1,857	2,060	10.9	-4.1
55	Man-made staple fibres	7,168	3,272	5,006	1,091	499	767	915	1,039	1,304	951	1,712	1,975	15.4	90.1
32	Dyes, tannin, and paint	9,913	6,843	8,586	1,518	1,318	1,653	2,354	2,101	2,303	1,896	2,286	1,943	-15.0	-7.5
15	Fats and oils	8,136	8,304	9,703	1,621	2,535	2,231	1,917	1,816	3,567	1,673	2,647	1,892	-28.5	4.2
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	10,569	10,620	9,385	2,333	2,831	2,366	3,090	1,824	3,155	1,636	2,770	1,889	-31.8	3.6
23	Food wastes	4,750	5,250	6,249	1,215	1,311	1,274	1,450	946	1,799	1,600	1,903	1,780	-6.5	88.1
68	Stone	6,916	5,656	5,910	2,147	644	905	1,959	1,280	1,583	841	2,206	1,724	-21.9	34.7
20	Vegetable, fruit, and nut preparations	7,978	6,890	7,912	1,818	1,474	1,520	2,078	1,180	2,368	1,743	2,621	1,686	-35.7	42.9
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	9,391	9,262	9,846	1,557	2,525	2,827	2,353	1,699	2,334	2,269	3,544	1,644	-53.6	-3.2
22	Beverages	7,400	4,958	10,710	1,156	1,211	1,011	1,580	2,077	3,277	2,408	2,948	1,566	-46.9	-24.6
76	Aluminium	10,060	7,170	6,412	1,963	1,125	1,613	2,468	2,104	1,954	989	1,365	1,265	-7.4	-39.9
63	Made up textile articles	5,262	2,732	2,989	621	562	748	801	768	642	600	979	1,224	25.0	59.3
70	Glass and glassware	7,104	4,862	5,072	864	1,338	1,421	1,238	1,416	1,432	945	1,279	1,011	-20.9	-28.6
82	Metal tools and cutlery	3,567	2,655	2,764	506	572	974	603	786	403	608	966	986	2.0	25.4
8	Fruits and nuts	3,723	3,252	4,617	660	628	974	990	1,063	950	1,260	1,345	819	-39.1	-22.9
3	Fish	5,949	5,574	3,232	1,404	1,242	1,073	1,856	747	1,025	606	855	819	-4.2	9.7
64	Footwear	2,424	2,475	4,071	506	493	629	848	712	1,124	1,136	1,099	812	-26.1	14.1
69	Ceramic products	5,931	5,332	5,504	1,938	572	1,268	1,555	1,798	1,296	554	1,855	770	-58.5	-57.2
95	Toys and games	8,846	3,164	3,469	419	494	865	1,386	631	445	615	1,778	746	-58.0	18.3
61	Knitted and crocheted apparel	4,342	2,997	4,059	1,023	228	755	991	1,040	515	1,128	1,377	743	-46.0	-28.5
49	Books and newspapers	3,380	5,654	2,478	3,146	416	292	1,799	1,004	843	312	319	564	76.9	-43.8
37	Photographic equipment	2,332	1,962	3,243	508	459	468	528	843	960	593	847	537	-36.6	-36.3
83	Miscellaneous metal articles	4,342	2,924	3,166	740	540	567	1,078	802	902	652	810	500	-38.3	-37.7
9	Coffee, tea, and spices	2,164	2,349	2,353	540	429	658	722	793	505	452	603	484	-19.8	-38.9
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	2,521	1,749	1,851	511	449	332	457	441	379	466	565	391	-30.8	-11.4
24	Tobacco	3,120	2,597	2,451	959	605	234	799	630	824	220	777	297	-61.8	-52.9
18	Cocoa	1,198	1,167	1,114	243	240	236	449	184	460	144	326	221	-32.3	20.1
52	Cotton	817	934	433	600	42	63	229	116	103	33	181	88	-51.4	-24.0
...	Others	14,930	11,310	26,373	2,482	2,281	2,890	3,658	14,116	2,461	5,569	4,227	3,080	-27.1	-78.2
01-98	Total	1,031,313	828,651	941,271	206,424	175,366	208,137	238,724	225,540	222,530	216,198	277,003	214,056	-22.7	-5.1

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Table 6: Imports (value) by major items, SITC(3)

Values (000 tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter									% Change	
	2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	2020				2021				2022	Mar22 / Dec21	Mar22 / Mar21
				Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	June	Sep (P)	Dec (P)	Mar (P)		
Food & Live Animal	246,220	239,225	269,946	55,446	57,112	62,915	63,752	59,645	71,923	60,786	77,592	67,577	-12.9	13.3
Beverages & Tobacco	10,100	7,260	12,515	1,992	2,021	1,103	2,144	2,622	3,926	2,468	3,499	1,710	-51.1	-34.8
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	35,063	26,188	35,187	3,611	5,111	8,732	8,736	8,657	9,923	4,886	11,721	8,057	-31.3	-6.9
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	175,246	112,034	149,740	39,806	19,635	25,249	27,344	30,996	24,561	43,746	50,437	18,626	-63.1	-39.9
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	5,940	6,489	8,137	1,139	2,059	1,731	1,560	1,510	3,068	1,352	2,207	1,415	-35.9	-6.3
Chemicals & Related Products	69,884	75,048	74,181	13,886	15,345	16,356	29,461	15,456	18,664	20,234	19,827	17,095	-13.8	10.6
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	159,098	118,935	132,979	30,437	20,214	33,588	34,696	33,940	32,255	24,689	42,095	38,699	-8.1	14.0
Machinery & Transport Equipment	230,974	171,299	171,926	41,971	36,586	42,261	50,481	50,390	40,882	36,833	43,821	40,042	-8.6	-20.5
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	98,777	72,101	86,619	18,131	17,269	16,188	20,513	22,318	17,313	21,189	25,800	20,813	-19.3	-6.7
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In	11	71	42	4	15	13	38	5	15	15	7	22	211.4	340.0
Total	1,031,313	828,651	941,271	206,424	175,366	208,137	238,724	225,540	222,530	216,198	277,003	214,056	-22.7	-5.1

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3 SITC: Standard International Trade Classification

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Table 8: Imports by Region, by main Countries of Exports

 Values (in '000 Tala)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter									%Change	
	2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	2020				2021				2022	Mar 22 / Dec21	Mar 22 /Mar 21
				Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	June	Sep	Dec(P)	Mar (P)		
Region														
Africa	41	153	88	128	20	2	2	0	69	0	19	1	-94.7	0.0
America	93,527	87,590	95,630	21,273	21,099	21,787	23,431	22,688	26,378	22,749	23,815	24,175	1.5	6.6
Asia	489,645	328,372	384,046	97,992	66,918	72,990	90,472	89,217	82,174	93,498	119,157	95,985	-19.4	7.6
Europe	10,952	3,809	2,366	1,445	123	1,080	1,161	692	1,160	145	369	871	135.9	25.9
Oceania	437,147	408,729	459,137	85,587	87,206	112,276	123,660	112,942	112,750	99,805	133,640	93,024	-30.4	-17.6
Other	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	-100.0	0.0
Top Countries														
New Zealand	270,086	237,309	288,208	51,679	49,333	66,527	69,771	61,506	71,522	69,134	86,045	60,945	-29.2	-0.9
Australia	93,043	93,847	82,867	18,864	21,278	21,109	32,595	32,511	22,146	11,069	17,141	16,209	-5.4	-50.1
Fiji	66,895	68,282	84,907	12,478	16,283	18,663	20,859	18,480	18,708	18,999	28,720	15,758	-45.1	-14.7
USA	90,688	87,320	94,763	21,512	20,570	21,968	23,270	22,365	26,048	22,535	23,815	23,822	0.0	6.5
China	127,719	68,204	82,782	20,082	13,209	19,259	15,654	20,890	18,827	16,379	26,686	34,990	31.1	67.5
Hong Kong	50,131	44,732	42,250	9,636	9,796	10,539	14,761	12,784	18,050	5,685	5,731	4,591	-19.9	-64.1
Indonesia	11,160	8,205	8,754	1,830	2,785	2,104	1,486	1,792	2,350	1,326	3,286	2,129	-35.2	18.8
Japan	40,280	36,584	24,137	9,051	10,002	5,678	11,853	7,816	6,151	6,246	3,924	4,539	15.7	-41.9
Malaysia	9,788	6,395	4,122	2,838	1,147	1,393	1,017	1,070	701	773	1,579	950	-39.8	-11.2
Philippines	1,990	485	511	134	89	191	71	42	96	42	331	4	-98.8	-90.4
Singapore	174,133	118,465	147,259	43,310	20,833	26,010	28,313	29,393	26,857	41,952	49,057	19,512	-60.2	-33.6
Thailand	28,481	23,200	18,972	5,266	4,077	5,348	8,509	6,336	3,100	3,706	5,830	8,277	42.0	30.6
India	12,268	1,649	2,612	220	165	266	998	1,285	177	754	396	209	-47.2	-83.7
Korea Democratic People's	4,783	3,423	1,211	1,167	972	1,068	215	321	156	0	734	1,589	116.4	395.5
Korea Republic	19,583	17,092	49,704	3,664	2,237	4,126	7,065	7,086	5,483	15,832	21,302	18,516	-13.1	161.3
Papua New Guinea	580	195	0	10	92	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Tonga	296	843	1,439	565	45	92	141	71	79	101	1,188	0	-100.0	-100.0
Taiwan, Province of China	4,551	2,061	898	555	371	609	526	176	192	237	293	105	-64.1	-40.3
Viet Nam	5,035	2,540	0	970	939	630	0	0	0	0	0	328	10,933,233.3	0.0
Other countries	19,824	7,821	5,876	2,592	1,144	2,463	1,621	1,615	1,887	1,428	946	1,583	67.3	-2.0
Total	1,031,313	828,651	941,271	206,424	175,366	208,136	238,724	225,540	222,530	216,198	277,003	214,056	-22.7	-5.1

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