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Formal External Trade in Goods

April 2017

June 2017

Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods April 2017

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 66.19 million in April 2017, a decrease of 35.25 per cent when compared to the previous month of March. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit decreased by 46.16 per cent compared to the deficit of April 2016.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016	2017		2016	2017		April2017/March2017	April2017/April2016
	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹		
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	47.60	60.61	58.96	21.82	27.13	32.02	-2.73%	23.87%
Domestic exports	28.20	42.60	41.26	12.93	19.06	22.41	-3.14%	46.31%
Re-exports	19.40	18.02	17.70	8.89	8.06	9.61	-1.78%	-8.76%
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	170.55	162.84	125.15	78.18	72.87	67.98	-23.15%	-26.62%
Total External Trade (A+B)	218.14	223.45	184.11	100.00	100.00	100.00	-17.61%	-15.60%
Trade Balance (A-B)	-122.95	-102.23	-66.19				-35.25%	-46.16%

Source: NISR

Note: (R) – Revised,
¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In April 2017, domestic exports values decreased by 3.14 per cent when compared to March 2017 and increased by 46.31 per cent compared to April 2016. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in April 2017 by SITC sections.

Table 2. Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2017

SITC Section/Description	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016	2017		2016	2017		April2017/March2017	April2017/April2016
	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	12.52	15.91	19.72	44.41	37.34	47.84	24.08%	57.62%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.08	0.11	0.03	0.27	0.25	0.08	-69.55%	-57.55%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	6.91	12.37	9.03	24.49	29.04	21.87	-27.03%	30.66%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.00	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.05	0.08	72.23%	1252.86%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.00	0.03	0.05	0.00	0.06	0.11	75.20%	236690.43%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.14	0.28	0.14	0.49	0.65	0.33	-50.81%	-2.15%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.82	2.31	2.10	2.89	5.42	5.09	-9.06%	157.25%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.42	0.82	0.30	1.49	1.93	0.72	-64.12%	-29.66%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1.78	0.62	0.64	6.30	1.46	1.54	2.64%	-64.15%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	5.54	10.14	9.22	19.64	23.80	22.34	-9.07%	66.42%
Total Domestic Exports	28.20	42.60	41.26	100.00	100.00	100.00	-3.14%	46.31%

Source: NISR

Note: (R) – Revised,
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Imports

In April 2017, total imports values decreased by 23.15 per cent when compared to March 2017 and also decreased by 26.62 per cent vis-a-vis April 2016.

Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2017

SITC Section/Description	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016	2017		2016	2017		April2017/March2017	Apr2017/Apr2016
	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	17.38	33.69	20.34	10.56	20.69	16.26	-39.62%	17.08%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	2.06	2.84	1.62	1.25	1.74	1.30	-42.85%	-21.44%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	7.29	5.63	3.57	4.43	3.46	2.85	-36.65%	-51.07%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1.65	3.45	2.39	1.00	2.12	1.91	-30.87%	44.70%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	2.97	3.83	5.72	1.80	2.35	4.57	49.14%	92.77%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	29.12	20.67	21.19	17.69	12.69	16.93	2.49%	-27.25%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	30.24	30.04	23.64	18.37	18.45	18.89	-21.31%	-21.82%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	64.63	46.60	33.74	39.26	28.62	26.96	-27.59%	-47.79%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	15.21	16.08	12.95	9.24	9.88	10.34	-19.51%	-14.90%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%
Total Imports	170.55	162.84	125.15	100.00	100.00	100.00	-23.15%	-26.62%

Source: NISR

Note: (R) – Revised

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Re-exports

In April 2017, re-exports values decreased by 1.78 per cent when compared to March 2017 and also decreased by 8.76 per cent when compared to April 2016.

Table 4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2017

SITC Section/Description	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016	2017		2016	2017		April2017/March2017	Apr2017/Apr2016
	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	2.32	3.79	4.40	11.95	21.03	24.86	16.10%	89.76%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.22	0.33	0.28	1.15	1.86	1.58	-16.47%	25.02%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	0.06	1.13	1.06	0.32	6.30	5.97	-6.87%	1585.61%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	11.41	9.10	8.27	58.82	50.48	46.73	-9.07%	-27.52%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1.85	2.19	1.82	9.53	12.14	10.31	-16.60%	-1.31%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.30	0.47	0.77	1.52	2.62	4.38	64.26%	162.48%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.42	0.15	0.16	2.18	0.83	0.90	6.16%	-62.53%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	2.44	0.36	0.70	12.56	2.00	3.95	93.78%	-71.28%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.37	0.49	0.23	1.93	2.71	1.30	-53.03%	-38.68%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%
Total Re-exports	19.40	18.02	17.70	100.00	100.00	100.00	-1.78%	-8.76%

Source: NISR

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Trading Partners

Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in April 2017 - Exports and Re-exports

Rank	Country	Exports (f.o.b.)								Rank	Country	Re-Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/decrease				Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/decrease	
		2016	2017		2016	2017		April2017/ March2017	April2017/ April2016			2016	2017		2016	2017		April2017/ March2017	April2017/ April2016
		April (R)	March ¹	April ¹	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹					April (R)	March ¹	April ¹					
1	United Arab Emirates	6.096	10.847	11.135	21.62	25.46	26.99	2.65%	82.67%	1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	11.26	17.20	16.69	58.05	95.44	94.31	-2.94%	48.23%
2	Kenya	8.152	8.661	8.145	28.91	20.33	19.74	-5.96%	-0.08%	2	Uganda	0.18	0.24	0.53	0.91	1.35	2.97	116.42%	198.35%
3	Uganda	0.889	2.389	7.458	3.15	5.61	18.08	212.23%	738.78%	3	Tanzania, United Republic Of	1.10	0.13	0.16	5.66	0.70	0.91	27.21%	-85.31%
4	Switzerland	1.938	6.022	3.893	6.87	14.14	9.43	-35.36%	100.90%	4	Burundi	1.60	0.33	0.13	8.27	1.83	0.73	-60.87%	-91.98%
5	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	3.196	4.684	3.812	11.33	11.00	9.24	-18.62%	19.27%	5	Sudan	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00%	0.00%
6	United States	1.132	1.885	1.328	4.01	4.43	3.22	-29.59%	17.29%	6	Germany	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.22	0.00%	35409.73%
7	Hong Kong	1.421	0.677	1.116	5.04	1.59	2.70	0.00%	0.00%	7	Zimbabwe	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.00%	0.00%
8	Singapore	1.284	1.338	0.925	4.55	3.14	2.24	-30.82%	-27.95%	8	Kenya	2.67	0.00	0.01	13.75	0.01	0.08	589.10%	-99.50%
9	Belgium	0.581	1.205	0.581	2.06	2.83	1.41	-51.79%	0.00%	9	Armenia	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.00%	0.00%
10	India	0.005	0.140	0.542	0.02	0.33	1.31	288.15%	10069.67%	10	Switzerland	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.06	0.03	-38.71%	0.00%
	Rest of the World	3.51	4.75	2.33	12.43	11.16	5.64	-51.07%	-33.69%		Rest of the World	2.59	0.46	0.33	13.36	2.56	1.86	-28.74%	-87.30%
	Total	28.20	42.60	41.26	100.00	100.00	100.00	-3.15%	46.31%		Total	19.40	18.02	17.70	100.00	100.00	100.00	-1.78%	-8.76%

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Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in April 2017

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/decrease	
		2016	2017		2016	2017		April2017/March2017	April2017/April2016
		April (R)	March ¹	April ¹	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹		
1	China	29.56	37.06	23.95	17.33	22.76	19.13	-35.39%	-18.99%
2	Uganda	14.93	18.29	13.13	8.75	11.23	10.49	-28.22%	-12.05%
3	India	20.17	7.76	12.00	11.83	4.77	9.59	54.55%	-40.52%
4	Kenya	12.19	10.44	8.73	7.15	6.41	6.97	-16.42%	-28.40%
5	United Arab Emirates	7.55	17.46	5.87	4.43	10.72	4.69	-66.37%	-22.24%
6	Tanzania, United Republic Of	7.13	8.14	5.09	4.18	5.00	4.07	-37.46%	-28.53%
7	United States	4.82	2.79	4.98	2.83	1.72	3.98	78.39%	3.43%
9	Germany	6.63	6.63	4.11	3.89	4.07	3.29	-37.93%	-37.96%
10	Russian Federation	6.13	2.94	3.75	3.59	1.80	3.00	27.70%	-38.81%
11	Turkey	10.06	3.27	3.69	5.90	2.01	2.95	13.03%	-63.31%
Rest of the World		51.39	48.05	39.85	30.13	29.51	31.84	-17.08%	-22.46%
Total		170.55	162.84	125.15	100.00	100.00	100.00	-23.15%	-26.62%

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¹Preliminary figures**Table 8. Trade in Goods by Mode of Transport (Values in us \$ Million)**

Via/Year	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2016	2017		2016	2017		2016	2017	
	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹	April (R)	March ¹	April ¹
<i>Air</i>	32.56	23.28	21.21	7.03	12.88	11.90	5.06	0.08	0.03
<i>Land</i>	138.94	139.56	103.94	21.17	29.71	29.36	14.33	17.94	17.67
Total	171.50	162.84	125.15	28.20	42.60	41.26	19.40	18.02	17.70

Source: NISR

Acronyms used:

c.i.f: Cost, Insurance and Freight

f.o.b: Free On Board

S.I.T.C: Standard International Trade Classification

n.e.s: Not Elsewhere Specified