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Formal External Trade in Goods

April 2018

June 2018

Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods April 2018

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 127.77 million in April 2018, a decrease of 22.61 per cent compared to the previous month of March 2018. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit decreased by 5.62 percent compare to the deficit of April 2017.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

	2017	2018		2017	2018		April2018/Mar2018	April2018/April2017
	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹		
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	53.97	80.09	80.87	22.18	24.62	27.93	0.97%	49.85%
Domestic exports	35.88	49.34	54.06	14.74	15.17	18.67	9.56%	50.69%
Re-exports	18.09	30.75	26.81	7.44	9.45	9.26	-12.81%	48.17%
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	189.34	245.20	208.64	77.82	75.38	72.07	-14.91%	10.19%
Total External Trade (A+B)	243.31	325.29	289.51	100.00	100.00	100.00	-11.00%	18.99%
Trade Balance (A-B)	-135.38	-165.11	-127.77				-22.61%	-5.62%

Note: (R) – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In April2018, domestic export values increased by 9.56per cent compared to March 2018 and increased by 50.69 per cent compared to April 2017. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in April 2018 by SITC sections.

Table2. Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2018

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		April2018/Mar2018	April2018/April2017
	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	19.74	25.18	22.03	55.02	51.02	40.76	-12.47%	11.63%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.09	0.01	0.01	-31.91%	-85.75%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	9.03	11.73	16.80	25.16	23.77	31.08	43.27%	86.17%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.09	0.03	0.06	142.91%	0.17%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.05	0.00	0.01	0.13	0.00	0.02	0.00%	0.00%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.14	0.31	0.19	0.38	0.63	0.34	-40.07%	36.92%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2.10	1.50	1.71	5.85	3.04	3.16	13.85%	-18.73%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.30	0.49	1.05	0.82	0.98	1.94	116.13%	254.90%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.64	0.89	0.94	1.78	1.81	1.73	4.91%	46.92%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	3.83	9.23	11.21	10.68	18.70	20.74	21.49%	192.68%
Total Domestic Exports	35.88	49.34	54.06	100.00	100.00	100.00	9.56%	50.69%

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Imports

In April 2018, total imports values decreased by 14.91percent compared to March 2018 but increased by 10.19 percent compared to April 2017.Table 3 shows imported goods in value of imports in April 2018 by SITC sections.

Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2018

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		April2018/Mar2018	April2018/April2017
	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	31.17	26.53	33.37	16.46	10.82	15.99	25.76%	7.04%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	1.99	2.88	3.17	1.05	1.17	1.52	10.29%	59.54%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	5.29	4.56	6.14	2.79	1.86	2.94	34.51%	16.11%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	32.06	46.64	36.77	16.93	19.02	17.62	-21.16%	14.68%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	7.68	8.89	11.86	4.06	3.63	5.68	33.35%	54.29%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	26.88	26.06	26.05	14.20	10.63	12.49	-0.04%	-3.09%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	26.68	36.70	27.61	14.09	14.97	13.23	-24.77%	3.47%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	41.46	69.25	51.10	21.90	28.24	24.49	-26.21%	23.25%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	16.12	22.72	11.99	8.52	9.26	5.75	-47.22%	-25.65%
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	189.34	245.20	208.64	100.00	100.00	100.00	-14.91%	10.19%

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Re-exports

In March2018, re-exports values decreased by 12.81percent compared to March2018 but increased by 48.17 percent compared to April 2017.Table 4 shows re-exported goods in value of re-exports in April 2018 by SITC sections.

Table4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2018

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		April2018/Mar2018	April2018/April2017
	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	4.68	6.55	4.92	25.89	21.30	18.35	-24.90%	5.02%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.32	0.48	0.37	1.76	1.57	1.38	-23.11%	16.62%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1.32	1.10	1.03	7.31	3.59	3.85	-6.48%	-21.89%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	8.27	14.32	13.27	45.72	46.56	49.50	-7.31%	60.44%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1.82	3.40	2.99	10.09	11.07	11.17	-12.07%	64.04%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.78	1.09	0.96	4.29	3.54	3.60	-11.41%	24.07%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.22	0.44	0.79	1.22	1.44	2.95	78.62%	258.52%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.44	2.57	1.79	2.45	8.34	6.67	-30.32%	303.44%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.23	0.77	0.67	1.27	2.51	2.48	-13.74%	189.53%
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	18.09	30.75	26.81	100.00	100.00	100.00	-12.81%	48.17%

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Trading Partners

Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in April 2018 - 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	
		2017	2018		2017	2018		April2018/ Mar2018	April2018/ April2017			2017	2018		2017	2018		April2018 /Mar2018	April2018/ April2017
		April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹					April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹		
1	Kenya	8.15	10.30	11.09	22.70	20.87	22.47	7.69%	36.14%	1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	17.30	24.29	20.39	95.63	78.99	76.07	-16.03%	17.86%
2	United Arab Emirates	3.91	4.87	5.98	10.90	9.87	12.12	22.79%	52.92%	2	United Arab Emirates	0.00	1.59	1.04	0.02	5.18	3.88	-34.80%	0.00%
3	Uganda	7.46	4.25	5.03	20.79	8.62	10.19	18.25%	-32.59%	3	Burundi	0.11	1.33	1.01	0.59	4.32	3.78	-23.86%	851.08%
4	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	3.81	5.30	4.96	10.63	10.74	10.05	-6.44%	30.04%	4	Qatar	0.00	0.47	0.71	0.00	1.53	2.66	0.00%	0.00%
5	Switzerland	4.52	5.15	4.30	12.60	10.44	8.72	0.00%	-4.85%	5	Uganda	0.37	0.33	0.33	2.06	1.09	1.21	-2.50%	0.00%
6	Kazakhstan	0.09	4.51	4.03	0.24	9.13	8.18	-10.47%	4510.22%	6	United Kingdom	0.00	0.02	0.17	0.00	0.07	0.64	691.97%	0.00%
7	India	0.54	0.13	3.35	1.51	0.26	6.79	2552.29%	517.67%	7	Ethiopia	0.00	0.09	0.16	0.00	0.28	0.60	88.82%	0.00%
8	Germany	0.52	1.41	2.98	1.46	2.86	6.04	111.00%	468.75%	8	Niger	0.00	0.01	0.12	0.00	0.04	0.46	814.21%	0.00%
9	Belgium	0.58	1.49	2.57	1.62	3.01	5.20	72.60%	341.77%	9	Turkey	0.00	0.08	0.09	0.00	0.25	0.34	19.28%	0.00%
10	Singapore	0.93	3.08	2.38	2.58	6.23	4.82	0.00%	157.07%	10	Kenya	0.06	0.00	0.04	0.33	0.00	0.17	0.00%	0.00%
Rest of the World		5.37	8.87	7.39	14.96	17.97	14.98	-16.62%	37.76%	Rest of the World		0.25	2.53	2.73	1.35	8.24	10.19	7.77%	1014.64%
Total		35.88	49.34	54.06	100.00	100.00	100.00	9.56%	37.54%	Total		18.09	30.75	26.81	100.00	100.00	100.00	-12.81%	48.17%

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Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in April 2018

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/decrease	
		2017	2018		2017	2018		April2018/Mar2018	April2018/April2017
		April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹		
1	China	49.30	41.68	46.89	26.04	17.00	22.47	12.49%	-4.90%
2	United Arab Emirates	37.14	21.99	25.47	19.62	8.97	12.21	15.81%	-31.43%
3	India	19.78	30.99	18.93	10.44	12.64	9.07	-38.90%	-4.27%
4	Uganda	18.83	18.48	18.05	9.94	7.54	8.65	-2.32%	-4.13%
5	Kenya	12.41	11.55	14.32	6.56	4.71	6.86	24.03%	15.39%
6	Germany	9.87	7.58	10.09	5.22	3.09	4.83	33.08%	2.14%
7	Saudi Arabia	13.69	4.07	9.92	7.23	1.66	4.76	143.60%	-27.49%
9	Tanzania, United Republic Of	9.96	7.86	8.17	5.26	3.20	3.92	3.99%	-18.01%
10	Japan	6.93	4.32	7.29	3.66	1.76	3.50	68.85%	5.20%
11	Sweden	0.80	10.40	6.94	0.42	4.24	3.33	-33.27%	763.63%
Rest of the World		10.62	86.29	42.57	5.61	35.19	20.41	-50.66%	300.72%
Total		189.34	245.20	208.64	100.00	100.00	100.00	-14.91%	10.19%

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

Mode/Period	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2017	2018		2017	2018		2017	2018	
	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹	April (R)	Mar ¹	April ¹
Air	21.17	25.31	20.91	6.52	11.92	15.46	0.07	3.18	4.09
Land	168.17	219.89	187.73	29.36	37.42	38.60	18.03	27.57	22.71
Total	189.34	245.20	208.64	35.88	49.34	54.06	18.09	30.75	26.81

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Acronyms used:

c.i.f: Cost, Insurance and Freight

f.o.b: Free On Board

Mar: March

n.e.s: Not Elsewhere Specified

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

US \$: United States Dollar