



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



# Formal External Trade in Goods

## April 2022

May 2022

## Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods April 2022

### Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 230.35 million in April 2022, an increase of 3.53 per cent compared to the previous month of March 2022. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit increased by 43.61 per cent on the deficit of April 2021.

**Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods**

FLOW	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		April2022/Mar2022	April2022/April2021
	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>		
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>108.74</b>	<b>176.58</b>	<b>140.84</b>	<b>28.78</b>	<b>30.67</b>	<b>27.51</b>	<b>-20.24%</b>	<b>29.52%</b>
Domestic exports	70.61	98.81	96.28	18.68	17.16	18.80	-2.56%	36.36%
Re-exports	38.14	77.78	44.56	10.09	13.51	8.70	-42.70%	16.86%
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>269.14</b>	<b>399.09</b>	<b>371.20</b>	<b>71.22</b>	<b>69.33</b>	<b>72.49</b>	<b>-6.99%</b>	<b>37.92%</b>
<b>Total External Trade (A+B)</b>	<b>377.89</b>	<b>575.67</b>	<b>512.04</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-11.05%</b>	<b>35.50%</b>
<b>Trade Balance (A-B)</b>	<b>-160.40</b>	<b>-222.50</b>	<b>-230.35</b>				<b>3.53%</b>	<b>43.61%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised,  
<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

### Exports

In April 2022 domestic exports values decreased by 2.56 per cent compared to March 2022 and increased by 36.36 per cent compared to April 2021. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in April 2022 by SITC sections.

**Table 2. Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2022**

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		April2022/Mar2022	April2022/April2021
	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	28.33	24.64	21.85	40.12	24.93	22.69	-11.31%	-22.87%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.07	0.04	0.03	0.10	0.05	0.03	-39.64%	-60.21%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	11.51	18.76	18.61	16.30	18.99	19.33	-0.80%	61.69%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.05	0.11	0.03	0.08	0.11	0.03	-74.91%	-50.47%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.05	0.57	0.11	0.07	0.58	0.11	0.00%	112.88%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.41	1.25	1.07	0.59	1.26	1.11	-13.91%	159.31%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3.29	8.64	9.50	4.66	8.75	9.87	9.93%	188.59%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	3.16	0.94	0.78	4.48	0.95	0.81	-16.68%	-75.27%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1.18	2.12	2.74	1.67	2.15	2.84	29.14%	132.40%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s.	22.55	41.74	41.56	31.94	42.24	43.17	-0.42%	84.30%
<b>Total Domestic Exports</b>	<b>70.61</b>	<b>98.81</b>	<b>96.28</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-2.56%</b>	<b>36.36%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised,  
<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Imports

In April 2022, total imports values decreased by 6.99 per cent compared to March 2022 and increased by 37.92 per cent compared to April 2021.

**Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2022**

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		April2022/Mar2022	April2022/April2021
	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	37.47	53.72	47.58	13.92	13.46	12.82	-11.41%	27.00%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	2.27	5.10	15.40	0.84	1.28	4.15	201.96%	578.32%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	10.79	10.98	10.01	4.01	2.75	2.70	-8.84%	-7.28%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	28.57	57.77	48.64	10.61	14.48	13.10	-15.80%	70.26%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	16.06	23.24	15.11	5.97	5.82	4.07	-34.99%	-5.89%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	31.14	45.79	44.05	11.57	11.47	11.87	-3.79%	41.49%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	43.85	62.32	60.94	16.29	15.62	16.42	-2.22%	38.99%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	57.94	62.61	60.57	21.53	15.69	16.32	-3.25%	4.54%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	18.38	35.67	26.77	6.83	8.94	7.21	-24.96%	45.68%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	22.69	41.90	42.12	8.43	10.50	11.35	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>269.14</b>	<b>399.09</b>	<b>371.20</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-6.99%</b>	<b>37.92%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Re-exports

In April 2022, re-exports values decreased by 42.70 per cent compared to March 2022 and increased by 16.86 per cent compared to April 2021.

**Table 4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in April 2022**

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		April2022/Mar2022	April2022/April2021
	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	13.25	12.53	12.64	34.74	16.11	28.37	0.87%	-4.57%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.50	25.43	1.01	1.31	32.70	2.26	-96.04%	101.58%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	2.08	2.12	1.93	5.45	2.73	4.33	-8.99%	-7.21%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	8.72	16.55	13.49	22.87	21.28	30.27	-18.50%	54.68%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	3.34	6.51	3.62	8.76	8.37	8.12	-44.39%	8.38%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1.65	1.74	2.64	4.32	2.23	5.92	51.91%	60.24%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2.67	5.55	3.17	6.99	7.13	7.12	-42.80%	18.98%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	3.36	3.26	3.46	8.80	4.19	7.75	5.97%	2.93%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2.58	4.09	2.60	6.75	5.26	5.84	-36.41%	1.02%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Total Re-exports</b>	<b>38.14</b>	<b>77.78</b>	<b>44.56</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-42.70%</b>	<b>16.86%</b>

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<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Trading Partners

Table 5. Main Trading Partner Countries in April 2022 - Exports

Rank	Country	Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		April2022/Mar2022	April2022/April2021
		April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>		
1	United Arab Emirates	28.21	49.69	51.94	39.95	50.29	53.95	4.52%	84.13%
2	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	8.39	12.91	10.90	11.88	13.07	11.33	-15.56%	30.03%
3	Singapore	1.54	3.51	3.84	2.17	3.56	3.99	9.38%	150.29%
4	Pakistan	3.25	3.78	3.37	4.60	3.82	3.50	-10.86%	3.61%
5	Hong Kong	2.52	1.99	2.59	3.57	2.02	2.69	30.06%	2.90%
6	Uganda	0.62	1.05	2.12	0.87	1.06	2.20	102.87%	243.35%
7	United Kingdom	3.08	2.53	1.92	4.37	2.56	2.00	-23.86%	-37.59%
8	China	2.09	1.16	1.70	2.97	1.18	1.76	45.82%	-19.04%
9	Kenya	0.85	3.35	1.54	1.20	3.39	1.60	-53.97%	82.19%
10	Italy	0.04	2.87	1.48	0.05	2.90	1.54	0.00%	3918.94%
Rest of the World		20.03	15.97	14.87	28.37	16.16	15.45	-6.88%	-25.76%
Total		70.61	98.81	96.28	100.00	100.00	100.00	-2.56%	36.36%

Note: (R) – Revised

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Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in April 2022–Re-exports

Rank	Country	Re-Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		April2022/Mar2022	April2022/April2021
		April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>		
1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	37.21	53.49	42.92	97.58	68.77	96.32	-19.76%	15.35%
2	Ethiopia	0.06	0.40	0.43	0.15	0.51	0.96	8.26%	-64.77%
3	Uganda	0.16	0.00	0.41	0.43	0.00	0.92	0.00	4.27%
4	United Arab Emirates	0.08	0.43	0.31	0.20	0.56	0.69	-28.81%	-34.56%
5	Tanzania, United Republic Of	0.21	0.65	0.10	0.55	0.84	0.23	0.00%	429.54%
6	Belgium	0.01	0.04	0.10	0.02	0.06	0.22	122.19%	-75.02%
7	Turkey	0.00	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.11	0.19	-2.23%	-100.00%
8	United States	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.12	0.06	0.15	0.00%	85.57%
9	Greece	0.00	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.08	0.13	-5.52%	-100.00%
10	Zambia	0.00	0.06	0.03	0.00	0.07	0.06	0.00%	-100.00%
Rest of the World		0.36	22.51	0.05	0.94	28.94	0.12	-99.76%	-85.10%
Total		38.14	77.78	44.56	100.00	100.00	100.00	-42.70%	16.86%

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**Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in April 2022**

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		April2022/Mar2022	April2022/April2021
		April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April(R)	Mar <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>		
1	China	51.72	72.43	73.43	19.22	18.15	19.78	1.38%	41.97%
2	Kenya	24.38	33.94	66.34	9.06	8.50	17.87	95.46%	172.17%
3	India	31.65	37.36	32.44	11.76	9.36	8.74	-13.17%	2.49%
4	United Arab Emirates	19.80	27.44	29.41	7.36	6.88	7.92	7.15%	48.54%
5	Tanzania, United Republic Of	27.28	60.03	24.86	10.13	15.04	6.70	-58.59%	-8.86%
6	South Africa	16.16	5.53	13.20	6.00	1.39	3.55	138.71%	-18.34%
7	Saudi Arabia	5.50	12.85	9.80	2.04	3.22	2.64	-23.72%	78.36%
9	United States	4.09	8.50	9.33	1.52	2.13	2.51	9.71%	128.03%
10	Egypt	3.05	5.16	8.06	1.13	1.29	2.17	56.22%	164.41%
11	Burkina Faso	0.00	0.00	7.17	0.00	0.00	1.93	0.00%	959987.53%
<b>Rest of the World</b>		85.52	135.84	97.15	31.77	34.04	26.17	-28.48%	13.60%
<b>Total</b>		<b>269.14</b>	<b>399.09</b>	<b>371.20</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-6.99%</b>	<b>37.92%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

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

Via/Year	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2021	2022		2021	2022		2021		2022
	April (R)	March <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April (R)	March <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>	April (R)	March <sup>1</sup>	April <sup>1</sup>
<b>Air</b>	52.87	68.12	73.98	26.05	45.76	45.25	0.08	0.96	1.08
<b>Land</b>	216.27	330.97	297.22	44.55	53.05	51.03	38.06	76.82	43.48
<b>Total</b>	<b>269.14</b>	<b>399.09</b>	<b>371.20</b>	<b>70.61</b>	<b>98.81</b>	<b>96.28</b>	<b>38.14</b>	<b>77.78</b>	<b>44.56</b>

**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

Mar: March