



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



Formal External Trade in Goods

August 2022

September 2022

Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods August 2022

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 304.66 million in August 2022, an increase of 0.40 per cent compared to the previous month of July 2022. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit increased by 69.77 per cent on the deficit of August 2021.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

FLOW	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/Decrease	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		Aug2022/July2022	Aug2022/Aug2021
	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹		
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	133.16	169.94	188.83	29.87	26.42	27.67	11.12%	41.80%
Domestic exports	93.95	107.38	125.12	21.07	16.69	18.34	16.52%	33.18%
Re-exports	39.21	62.56	63.71	8.80	9.72	9.34	1.85%	62.47%
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	312.62	473.39	493.49	70.13	73.58	72.33	4.25%	57.86%
Total External Trade (A+B)	445.78	643.32	682.32	100.00	100.00	100.00	6.06%	53.06%
Trade Balance (A-B)	-179.46	-303.45	-304.66				0.40%	69.77%

Note: (R) – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In August 2022 domestic exports values increased by 16.52 per cent compared to July 2022 and by 33.18 per cent compared to August 2021. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in August 2022 by SITC sections.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		Aug2022/July2022	Aug2022/Aug2021
	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	27.62	32.63	31.20	29.40	30.39	24.94	-4.38%	12.97%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.03	0.05	0.45	0.03	0.05	0.36	798.19%	1496.08%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	16.16	17.34	18.98	17.20	16.15	15.17	9.46%	17.43%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.04	0.09	0.07	0.04	0.08	0.06	-13.61%	90.95%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.20	1.44	0.98	0.21	1.34	0.78	-31.92%	399.78%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.98	0.48	1.24	1.05	0.45	0.99	156.86%	25.97%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	5.97	10.76	13.99	6.35	10.02	11.18	30.03%	134.52%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	1.14	0.26	1.17	1.21	0.25	0.94	343.96%	2.83%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1.97	2.91	2.69	2.09	2.71	2.15	-7.57%	36.83%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	39.85	41.42	54.34	42.41	38.57	43.43	31.20%	36.38%
Total Domestic Exports	93.95	107.38	125.12	100.00	100.00	100.00	16.52%	33.18%

Note: (R) – Revised,

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Imports

In August 2022, total imports values increased by 4.25 per cent compared to July 2022 and by 57.86 per cent compared to August 2021.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		Aug2022/July2022	Aug2022/Aug2021
	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	41.61	65.30	64.70	13.31	13.80	13.11	-0.92%	55.51%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	2.12	5.76	5.86	0.68	1.22	1.19	1.79%	176.64%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	8.76	14.60	7.85	2.80	3.09	1.59	-46.28%	-10.41%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	39.55	83.63	95.42	12.65	17.67	19.34	14.10%	141.27%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	13.67	17.85	15.60	4.37	3.77	3.16	-12.64%	14.09%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	42.68	70.65	49.76	13.65	14.92	10.08	-29.57%	16.57%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	53.39	75.37	71.10	17.08	15.92	14.41	-5.66%	33.18%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	49.11	44.98	95.10	15.71	9.50	19.27	111.44%	93.65%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	21.92	52.24	31.74	7.01	11.04	6.43	-39.23%	44.79%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	39.82	43.00	56.36	12.74	9.08	11.42	31.08%	41.56%
Total Imports	312.62	473.39	493.49	100.00	100.00	100.00	4.25%	57.86%

Note: (R) – Revised

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Re-exports

In August 2022, re-exports values increased by 1.85 per cent compared to July 2022 and increased by 62.47 per cent compared to August 2021.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		Aug2022/July2022	Aug2022/Aug2021
	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	10.91	15.74	15.97	27.82	25.16	25.07	1.48%	46.42%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.60	2.19	1.30	1.54	3.50	2.04	-40.63%	115.52%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	2.21	1.70	1.85	5.65	2.72	2.90	8.80%	-16.42%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	10.97	24.21	22.20	27.97	38.71	34.85	-8.29%	102.41%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	5.89	9.03	4.65	15.02	14.43	7.30	-48.49%	-21.03%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1.11	1.02	1.73	2.83	1.63	2.72	69.48%	55.90%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3.65	4.05	6.24	9.31	6.47	9.80	54.24%	71.04%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	2.08	2.26	3.99	5.29	3.61	6.26	76.61%	92.05%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1.79	2.36	2.52	4.56	3.77	3.95	6.65%	40.94%
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	39.21	62.56	63.71	100.00	100.00	100.00	1.85%	62.47%

Note: (R) – Revised

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Trading Partners

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

Rank	Country	Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		Aug2022/July2022	Aug2022/Aug2021
		Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹		
1	United Arab Emirates	48.69	47.82	63.84	51.83	44.53	51.02	33.50%	31.11%
2	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	12.02	11.48	15.00	12.79	10.69	11.99	30.59%	24.78%
3	United Kingdom	2.01	5.18	5.21	2.14	4.83	4.16	0.50%	159.00%
4	South Sudan	1.57	2.07	3.68	1.67	1.92	2.95	78.33%	134.71%
5	China	2.50	1.69	3.60	2.67	1.57	2.88	113.52%	43.93%
6	Hong Kong	2.13	3.21	3.58	2.26	2.99	2.86	11.56%	68.21%
7	Uganda	2.34	3.50	3.15	2.49	3.25	2.52	-9.95%	34.41%
8	Pakistan	4.24	3.25	3.04	4.52	3.03	2.43	-6.56%	-28.35%
9	Belgium	0.67	2.10	2.92	0.72	1.96	2.33	38.68%	333.76%
10	Singapore	1.20	3.64	2.69	1.28	3.39	2.15	0.00%	124.48%
Rest of the World		16.57	23.44	18.41	17.63	21.83	14.71	-21.47%	11.11%
Total		93.95	107.38	125.12	100.00	100.00	100.00	16.52%	33.18%

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

Rank	Country	Re-Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		Aug2022/July2022	Aug2022/Aug2021
		Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹		
1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	37.03	57.55	59.17	94.43	92.00	92.88	2.83%	59.80%
2	Ethiopia	0.50	1.30	1.47	1.27	2.07	2.31	13.39%	194.92%
3	Tanzania, United Republic Of	0.04	0.78	0.96	0.11	1.25	1.51	22.46%	2192.20%
4	United Arab Emirates	0.62	1.20	0.85	1.57	1.92	1.34	-28.98%	38.30%
5	Uganda	0.26	0.67	0.34	0.67	1.08	0.53	-49.55%	28.64%
6	Turkey	0.04	0.09	0.17	0.10	0.14	0.26	94.33%	348.58%
7	Greece	0.00	0.11	0.16	0.00	0.17	0.25	49.46%	0.00%
8	Burundi	0.00	0.08	0.11	0.00	0.13	0.18	43.77%	0.00%
9	United States	0.02	0.16	0.10	0.05	0.26	0.15	-39.43%	407.19%
10	Belgium	0.02	0.05	0.08	0.04	0.08	0.13	62.13%	416.41%
Rest of the World		0.69	0.57	0.29	1.76	0.91	0.46	-48.13%	-57.35%
Total		39.21	62.56	63.71	100.00	100.00	100.00	1.85%	62.47%

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Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in August 2022

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		Aug2022/July2022	Aug2022/Aug2021
		Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹		
1	China	60.25	104.51	107.49	19.27	22.08	21.78	2.86%	78.42%
2	Tanzania, United Republic Of	58.50	56.64	62.29	18.71	11.96	12.62	9.98%	6.49%
3	United Arab Emirates	26.93	35.85	45.57	8.61	7.57	9.24	27.11%	69.25%
4	India	18.30	38.80	39.82	5.85	8.20	8.07	2.62%	117.61%
5	Kenya	23.24	51.15	35.25	7.43	10.81	7.14	-31.09%	51.68%
6	Saudi Arabia	9.54	12.21	16.17	3.05	2.58	3.28	32.42%	69.46%
7	Bahrain	0.70	1.93	10.53	0.22	0.41	2.13	444.14%	1414.62%
9	Japan	7.46	4.37	10.00	2.39	0.92	2.03	129.10%	34.13%
10	Switzerland	6.19	6.66	9.49	1.98	1.41	1.92	42.42%	53.15%
11	Belgium	7.57	8.77	9.19	2.42	1.85	1.86	4.72%	21.43%
Rest of the World		93.96	152.49	147.69	30.05	32.21	29.93	-3.15%	57.19%
Total		312.62	473.39	493.49	100.00	100.00	100.00	4.25%	57.86%

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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	
	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹	Aug (R)	July ¹	Aug ¹
Air	70.05	74.24	82.43	42.63	43.28	56.03	1.46	4.55	3.09
Land	242.57	399.15	411.06	51.32	64.10	69.09	37.75	58.01	60.62
Total	312.62	473.39	493.49	93.95	107.38	125.12	39.21	62.56	63.71

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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

Aug: August