



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



# Formal External Trade in Goods

## September 2022

October 2022

## Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods

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#### Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 362.24 million in September 2022, an increase of 18.90 per cent compared to the previous month of August 2022. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit increased by 63.97 per cent on the deficit of September 2021.

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

FLOW	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage change	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		Sept2022 /Aug2022	Sept2022 /Sept2021
	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>		
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>131.69</b>	<b>188.83</b>	<b>171.68</b>	<b>27.19</b>	<b>27.67</b>	<b>24.33</b>	<b>-9.08%</b>	<b>30.36%</b>
Domestic exports	92.30	125.12	110.18	19.06	18.34	15.62	-11.94%	19.37%
Re-exports	39.39	63.71	61.50	8.13	9.34	8.72	-3.48%	56.13%
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>352.60</b>	<b>493.49</b>	<b>533.91</b>	<b>72.81</b>	<b>72.33</b>	<b>75.67</b>	<b>8.19%</b>	<b>51.42%</b>
<b>Total External Trade (A+B)</b>	<b>484.29</b>	<b>682.32</b>	<b>705.59</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>3.41%</b>	<b>45.69%</b>
<b>Trade Balance (A-B)</b>	<b>-220.91</b>	<b>-304.66</b>	<b>-362.24</b>				<b>18.90%</b>	<b>63.97%</b>

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

#### Exports

In September 2022 domestic exports values decreased by 11.94 per cent compared to August 2022 but increased by 19.37 per cent compared to September 2021. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in September 2022 by SITC sections.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage change	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		Sept2022 /Aug2022	Sept2022 /Sept2021
	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	27.48	31.20	32.06	29.77	24.94	29.10	2.76%	16.69%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.06	0.45	0.03	0.06	0.36	0.03	-93.29%	-46.15%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	20.16	18.98	13.96	21.84	15.17	12.67	-26.43%	-30.72%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.07	6.15%	53.08%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.16	0.98	0.48	0.18	0.78	0.44	-51.10%	192.95%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1.10	1.24	1.07	1.19	0.99	0.97	-13.77%	-2.42%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	7.07	13.99	9.40	7.66	11.18	8.53	-32.84%	32.91%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.87	1.17	1.67	0.94	0.94	1.52	42.80%	92.86%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2.00	2.69	2.58	2.17	2.15	2.34	-3.98%	29.21%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	33.37	54.34	48.85	36.15	43.43	44.34	-10.11%	46.41%
<b>Total Domestic Exports</b>	<b>92.30</b>	<b>125.12</b>	<b>110.18</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-11.94%</b>	<b>19.37%</b>

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

## Imports

In September 2022, total imports values increased by 8.19 per cent compared to August 2022 and by 51.42 per cent compared to September 2021.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage change	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		Sept2022 /Aug2022	Sept2022 /Sept2021
	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	37.76	64.70	65.90	10.71	13.11	12.34	1.86%	74.55%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	4.08	5.86	8.36	1.16	1.19	1.57	42.57%	105.04%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	13.79	7.85	11.95	3.91	1.59	2.24	52.28%	-13.37%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	45.59	95.42	87.95	12.93	19.34	16.47	-7.83%	92.90%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	15.54	15.60	25.10	4.41	3.16	4.70	60.95%	61.50%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	41.45	49.76	49.11	11.76	10.08	9.20	-1.30%	18.49%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	56.93	71.10	78.15	16.15	14.41	14.64	9.92%	37.28%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	73.10	95.10	100.99	20.73	19.27	18.91	6.20%	38.16%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	29.30	31.74	51.32	8.31	6.43	9.61	61.67%	75.16%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	35.07	56.36	55.08	9.95	11.42	10.32	-2.27%	57.07%
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>352.60</b>	<b>493.49</b>	<b>533.91</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>8.19%</b>	<b>51.42%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Re-exports

In September 2022, re-exports values decreased by 3.48 per cent compared to August 2022 and increased by 56.13 per cent compared to September 2021.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage change	
	2021	2022		2021	2022		Sept2022 /Aug2022	Sept2022 /Sept2021
	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	11.05	16.00	16.75	28.07	25.12	27.23	4.65%	51.50%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.81	2.01	1.96	2.06	3.15	3.18	-2.49%	141.23%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1.89	1.85	3.99	4.81	2.90	6.49	115.67%	110.82%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	9.98	22.20	17.47	25.35	34.85	28.41	-21.33%	74.95%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	5.21	4.65	6.35	13.23	7.30	10.32	36.49%	21.76%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1.97	1.74	1.85	4.99	2.73	3.01	6.45%	-5.96%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	4.08	6.56	5.57	10.37	10.30	9.05	-15.18%	36.32%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	2.53	6.14	5.38	6.42	9.64	8.75	-12.42%	112.94%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1.86	2.55	2.19	4.71	4.00	3.56	-14.22%	17.93%
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>39.39</b>	<b>63.71</b>	<b>61.50</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-3.48%</b>	<b>56.13%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Trading Partners

Table 5: Main Trading Partner Countries in September 2022 - Exports

Rank	Country	Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage change	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		Sept2022 /Aug2022	Sept2022 /Sept2021
		Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>		
1	United Arab Emirates	41.67	63.84	52.33	45.14	51.02	47.50	-18.02%	25.60%
2	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	11.38	15.00	14.35	12.32	11.99	13.02	-4.32%	26.14%
3	United Kingdom	3.25	5.21	5.22	3.53	4.16	4.74	0.18%	60.38%
4	Hong Kong	5.11	3.58	4.00	5.53	2.86	3.63	11.92%	-21.59%
5	Ethiopia	0.00	2.44	3.90	0.00	1.95	3.54	59.62%	0.00%
6	Switzerland	1.01	0.77	2.71	1.09	0.61	2.46	253.94%	169.58%
7	China	2.94	3.60	2.66	3.19	2.88	2.41	-26.27%	-9.69%
8	Pakistan	1.56	3.04	2.42	1.69	2.43	2.20	-20.37%	55.29%
9	South Sudan	0.23	3.68	2.21	0.25	2.95	2.00	-40.15%	861.81%
10	Congo	0.83	2.60	1.90	0.90	2.08	1.73	-26.76%	128.78%
	<b>Rest of the World</b>	24.33	21.36	18.48	26.36	17.07	16.77	-13.48%	-24.04%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>92.30</b>	<b>125.12</b>	<b>110.18</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-11.94%</b>	<b>19.37%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

Table 6: Main Trading Partner Countries in September 2022–Re-exports

Rank	Country	Re-Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage change	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		Sept2022 /Aug2022	Sept2022 /Sept2021
		Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>		
1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	38.21	59.17	55.64	97.01	90.48	90.48	-5.97%	45.62%
2	Kenya	0.00	0.03	2.28	0.00	3.71	3.71	7212.71%	0.00%
3	Ethiopia	0.00	1.47	1.23	0.00	2.00	2.00	-16.50%	0.00%
4	Tanzania, United Republic Of	0.48	0.96	0.87	1.23	1.41	1.41	-9.46%	79.82%
5	United Arab Emirates	0.00	0.85	0.37	0.00	0.61	0.61	-56.08%	82090.68%
6	Uganda	0.46	0.34	0.32	1.16	0.52	0.52	-6.23%	-30.06%
7	United Kingdom	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.21	0.21	0.00%	0.00%
8	Turkey	0.00	0.17	0.12	0.00	0.20	0.20	-25.99%	0.00%
9	South Sudan	0.05	0.08	0.09	0.12	0.15	0.15	14.75%	89.47%
10	Greece	0.00	0.16	0.07	0.00	0.11	0.11	-57.35%	0.00%
	<b>Rest of the World</b>	0.19	0.48	0.37	0.48	0.75	0.60	-22.31%	95.40%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>39.39</b>	<b>63.71</b>	<b>61.50</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-3.48%</b>	<b>56.13%</b>

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

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2021	2022		2021	2022		Sept2022/Aug2022	Sept2022/Sept2021
		Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>		
1	China	50.95	107.49	107.06	55.20	21.78	20.05	-0.40%	110.11%
2	Kenya	28.28	35.25	65.69	30.64	7.14	12.30	86.37%	132.27%
3	United Arab Emirates	26.67	45.57	59.25	28.90	9.24	11.10	30.01%	122.16%
4	Tanzania, United Republic Of	66.02	62.29	53.06	71.53	12.62	9.94	-14.82%	-19.64%
5	India	31.45	39.82	38.68	34.07	8.07	7.24	-2.86%	23.00%
6	South Africa	5.14	8.71	23.58	5.57	1.77	4.42	170.63%	358.67%
7	Indonesia	11.04	6.26	15.51	11.96	1.27	2.91	147.69%	40.49%
9	Oman	3.90	2.13	13.46	4.22	0.43	2.52	531.30%	245.41%
10	Saudi Arabia	8.59	16.17	12.53	9.30	3.28	2.35	-22.51%	45.92%
11	Korea, Republic Of	3.04	4.25	12.14	3.29	0.86	2.27	185.77%	299.52%
	<b>Rest of the World</b>	117.52	165.53	132.94	127.32	33.54	24.90	-19.69%	13.13%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>352.60</b>	<b>493.49</b>	<b>533.91</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>8.19%</b>	<b>51.42%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures**Table 7: Trade in Goods by Mode of Transport (Values in US \$ Million)**

Via/Year	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2021	2022		2021	2022		2021	2022	
	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Aug (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>	Sept (R)	Aug <sup>1</sup>	Sept <sup>1</sup>
<i>Air</i>	67.34	82.43	84.30	37.55	56.03	51.69	0.04	3.09	2.44
<i>Land</i>	285.26	411.06	449.61	54.75	69.09	58.49	39.35	60.62	59.06
<b>Total</b>	<b>352.60</b>	<b>493.49</b>	<b>533.91</b>	<b>92.30</b>	<b>125.12</b>	<b>110.18</b>	<b>39.39</b>	<b>63.71</b>	<b>61.50</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures**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

Sept: September