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# Formal External Trade in Goods

## November 2016

January 2017

## Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods

### November 2016

#### Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 86.40 million in November 2016, an increase of 14.79 per cent compared to the previous month of October 2016. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit decreased by 22.88 per cent on the deficit of November 2015.

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

	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2015	2016		2015	2016		Nov2016/ Oct2016	Nov2016/ Nov2015
	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>		
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>40.14</b>	<b>50.88</b>	<b>55.92</b>	<b>20.87</b>	<b>28.74</b>	<b>28.21</b>	<b>9.90%</b>	<b>39.30%</b>
Domestic exports	28.86	37.27	36.90	15.01	21.05	18.62	-0.99%	27.86%
Re-exports	11.28	13.61	19.02	5.87	7.69	9.59	39.73%	68.58%
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>152.17</b>	<b>126.14</b>	<b>142.31</b>	<b>79.13</b>	<b>71.26</b>	<b>71.79</b>	<b>12.82%</b>	<b>-6.48%</b>
<b>Total External Trade (A+B)</b>	<b>192.31</b>	<b>177.02</b>	<b>198.23</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>11.98%</b>	<b>3.08%</b>
<b>Trade Balance (A-B)</b>	<b>-112.03</b>	<b>-75.26</b>	<b>-86.40</b>				<b>14.79%</b>	<b>-22.88%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised,

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

#### Exports

In November 2016, domestic exports values decreased by 0.99 per cent compared to October 2016 and increased by 27.86 per cent compared to November 2015. Table 2 shows the ten most exported goods in value of exports.

**Table 2. Top 10 Most Exported Goods**

HS Code	Description	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2015	2016		2015	2016		Nov2016/ Oct2016	Nov2016/ Nov2015
		Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>		
71081200	Other unwrought gold (incl. gold plated with platinum), non-monetary	1.28	9.47	7.88	4.43	25.42	21.36	-16.80%	516.82%
09024000	Other black tea (fermented) and other partly fermented tea, in immediate packings of a content exceeding 3 kg	3.99	3.68	7.62	13.82	9.86	20.65	107.30%	91.09%
09011100	Coffee, not roasted, not decaffeinated	6.82	9.22	6.40	23.62	24.73	17.35	-30.55%	-6.10%
26090000	Tin ores and concentrates.	2.10	3.52	3.58	7.29	9.45	9.69	1.50%	70.00%
26159000	Niobium, vanadium ores, tantalum and concentrates	3.54	3.86	2.13	12.27	10.36	5.77	-44.85%	-39.88%
11010000	Wheat or meslin flour.	1.28	1.02	2.02	4.44	2.73	5.49	98.87%	57.83%
26110000	Tungsten ores and concentrates.	0.71	1.00	0.96	2.46	2.67	2.61	-3.06%	36.14%
12119020	Pyrethrum	0.51	0.05	0.48	1.77	0.14	1.29	789.02%	-6.92%
01029090	Live bovine animals, other than purebred breeding	0.41	0.47	0.46	1.43	1.27	1.24	-3.31%	0.00%
09023000	Black tea (fermented) and partly fermented tea, in immediate packings of a content not exceeding 3 kg	1.93	0.23	0.45	6.67	0.63	1.22	92.55%	0.00%
<b>Other Goods</b>		<b>6.29</b>	<b>4.75</b>	<b>4.92</b>	<b>21.80</b>	<b>12.73</b>	<b>13.34</b>	<b>3.71%</b>	<b>-21.75%</b>
<b>Total Domestic Exports</b>		<b>28.86</b>	<b>37.27</b>	<b>36.90</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-0.99%</b>	<b>27.86%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised,

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Imports

In November 2016, total imports values increased by 12.82 per cent compared to October 2016 and also decreased by 6.48 per cent compared to November 2015.

**Table 3. Top 10 Most Imported Goods**

HS Code	Description	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2015	2016		2015	2016		Nov2016/ Oct2016	Nov2016/ Nov2015
		Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>		
48191000	Cartons, boxes and cases of corrugated paper or paperboard	0.31	0.43	11.01	0.21	0.28	7.23	2471.53%	3398.84%
30049000	Other medicaments in measured doses for retail sale	4.73	5.53	5.11	3.11	3.63	3.36	-7.62%	8.01%
85171200	Telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless	5.31	4.21	4.35	3.49	2.76	2.86	3.47%	-17.99%
17019990	Other sugar, not containing added flavouring or colouring matter	1.15	2.40	3.73	0.75	1.58	2.45	55.75%	225.16%
25232900	Other portland cement	6.77	6.87	3.64	4.45	4.51	2.39	-47.07%	-46.31%
10019990	Other wheat and meslin	4.38	4.33	3.09	2.88	2.84	2.03	-28.50%	-29.38%
90189000	Other instruments and appliances for medical, surgical... sciences	1.04	2.66	2.84	0.69	1.75	1.87	6.79%	172.13%
84212100	For filtering or purifying water	0.03	0.25	2.63	0.02	0.17	1.73	932.62%	9062.62%
15119010	Palm oil and its fractions	0.43	1.87	2.01	0.28	1.23	1.32	7.35%	370.73%
87032390	Other vehicles, piston engine, cylinder >1500 =<3000cc	1.71	1.93	1.94	1.13	1.27	1.28	0.74%	13.24%
<b>Other Goods</b>		<b>126.30</b>	<b>95.68</b>	<b>101.96</b>	<b>83.00</b>	<b>75.85</b>	<b>71.65</b>	<b>6.57%</b>	<b>-19.27%</b>
<b>Total Imports</b>		<b>152.17</b>	<b>126.14</b>	<b>142.31</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>12.82%</b>	<b>-6.48%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Re-exports

In November 2016, re-exports values increased by 39.73 per cent compared to October 2016 and also increased by 68.58 per cent compared to November 2015.

**Table 4. Top 10 Most Re-exported Goods by HS Codes**

HS Code	Description	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2015	2016		2015	2016		Nov2016/ /Oct2016	Nov2016/ Nov2015
		Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>		
27101220	Motor Spirit (gasoline) premium	2.22	3.36	4.56	19.68	24.69	23.98	35.69%	105.42%
27101931	Gas oil (automotive, light, amber for high speed engines)	1.85	2.38	4.19	16.41	17.51	22.01	0.00%	126.08%
27101921	Kerosene type Jet Fuel	0.00	1.74	1.56	0.00	12.75	8.23	0.00%	0.00%
10064000	Broken rice	0.97	0.49	1.15	8.62	3.56	6.03	136.17%	17.89%
15119090	Other palm oil (excl. crude) and its fractions	0.68	0.50	1.08	6.00	3.66	5.70	117.52%	60.11%
15162000	Vegetable fats and oils and their fractions	1.06	1.05	0.82	9.37	7.68	4.31	-21.65%	-22.53%
10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	0.65	0.18	0.42	5.75	1.30	2.22	137.68%	0.00%
63090010	Footwear	0.00	0.23	0.34	0.00	1.69	1.81	49.37%	0.00%
84264100	Derricks, cranes, etc, self-propelled on tyres	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.00	0.00	1.61	0.00%	0.00%
84749000	Parts of machinery of 84.74	0.00	0.00	0.29	0.00	0.00	1.54	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Other Goods</b>		<b>3.85</b>	<b>3.69</b>	<b>4.29</b>	<b>34.17</b>	<b>27.14</b>	<b>22.58</b>	<b>16.21%</b>	<b>11.36%</b>
<b>Total Re-exports</b>		<b>11.28</b>	<b>13.61</b>	<b>19.02</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>39.73%</b>	<b>68.58%</b>

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Table 5. Summary by SITC Revision 4

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million				Shares in percentages (%)			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	Flow	2015	2016		2015	2016		Nov2016/Oct2016	Nov2016/Nov2015
		Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>		
0-Food and live animals	Exports	16.83	15.91	18.22	58.33	42.69	49.38	14.53%	8.24%
	Imports	21.35	21.66	25.06	14.03	17.17	17.61	15.71%	17.36%
	Re-exports	2.95	1.73	2.69	26.16	12.71	14.15	55.48%	-8.83%
1-Beverages and tobacco	Exports	0.16	0.01	0.04	0.54	0.03	0.10	213.47%	-75.59%
	Imports	1.98	1.78	2.12	1.30	1.412	1.49	18.81%	6.77%
	Re-exports	0.12	0.11	0.32	1.10	0.83	1.68	184.65%	158.82%
2-Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	Exports	8.33	9.39	7.90	28.85	25.20	21.40	-15.92%	-5.18%
	Imports	6.13	4.09	4.06	4.03	3.24	2.85	-0.70%	-33.68%
	Re-exports	0.04	0.37	0.73	0.38	2.71	3.85	98.84%	1593.30%
3-Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	Exports	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.13	0.07	0.04	-39.76%	-58.89%
	Imports	3.97	2.50	2.95	2.61	1.98	2.07	17.78%	-25.72%
	Re-exports	4.07	7.48	10.31	36.11	54.95	54.21	37.85%	153.11%
4-Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	Exports	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00%	-100.00%
	Imports	5.93	5.60	4.69	3.90	4.44	3.30	-16.23%	-20.92%
	Re-exports	2.28	1.54	2.24	20.20	11.34	11.76	44.92%	-1.82%
5-Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	Exports	0.10	0.17	0.32	0.33	0.45	0.87	92.99%	232.37%
	Imports	17.36	17.98	17.80	11.41	14.25	12.51	-0.97%	2.57%
	Re-exports	0.38	0.41	0.52	3.41	3.03	2.73	25.91%	35.35%
6-Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	Exports	0.72	1.18	1.12	2.51	3.17	3.05	-4.82%	55.08%
	Imports	33.59	26.77	34.24	22.07	21.23	24.06	27.90%	1.96%
	Re-exports	0.42	0.29	0.40	3.74	2.14	2.11	38.09%	-4.75%
7-Machinery and transport equipment	Exports	0.61	0.49	0.72	2.10	1.31	1.94	46.70%	17.85%
	Imports	49.06	32.96	37.09	32.24	26.13	26.06	12.54%	-24.40%
	Re-exports	0.46	1.51	1.47	4.10	11.11	7.73	-2.72%	218.29%
8-Miscellaneous manufactured articles	Exports	0.79	0.62	0.69	2.73	1.67	1.86	10.45%	-12.99%
	Imports	12.80	12.80	14.30	8.41	10.15	10.05	11.69%	11.70%
	Re-exports	0.54	0.16	0.34	4.82	1.178	1.77	109.38%	-38.20%
9-Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	Exports	1.28	9.47	7.88	4.43	25.42	21.36	-16.80%	516.82%
	Imports	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%
	Re-exports	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>Exports</b>	<b>28.86</b>	<b>37.27</b>	<b>36.90</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-0.99%</b>	<b>27.86%</b>
	<b>Imports</b>	<b>152.17</b>	<b>126.14</b>	<b>142.31</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>12.82%</b>	<b>-6.48%</b>
	<b>Re-exports</b>	<b>11.28</b>	<b>13.61</b>	<b>19.02</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>39.73%</b>	<b>68.58%</b>

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<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Trading Partners

Table 6. Main trading partner countries in November 2016 - 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	
		2015	2016		2015	2016		Nov2016/ Oct2016	Nov2016/ Nov2015			2015	2016		2015	2016		Nov2016/ Oct2016	Nov2016/ Nov2015
		Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>					Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>		
1	Kenya	7.21	4.68	8.69	24.99	12.57	23.55	85.55%	20.51%	1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	10.41	7.94	14.21	92.33	58.38	74.74	78.89%	36.47%
2	United Arab Emirates	1.47	9.85	8.43	5.10	26.43	22.85	-14.40%	473.14%	2	Burundi	0.18	2.79	2.37	1.57	20.51	12.46	-15.16%	1238.12%
3	Switzerland	4.76	6.09	5.30	16.50	16.35	14.35	-13.05%	11.21%	3	Kenya	0.24	0.94	0.86	2.09	6.92	4.51	0.00%	0.00%
4	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	3.84	3.11	3.91	13.32	8.34	10.60	25.84%	1.72%	4	Belgium	0.02	0.53	0.53	0.19	3.88	2.77	0.00%	0.00%
5	United States	1.56	2.75	2.35	5.41	7.39	6.38	-14.53%	50.75%	5	Uganda	0.10	0.53	0.40	0.92	3.91	2.10	0.00%	0.00%
6	Malaysia	0.58	0.81	1.13	2.01	2.16	3.05	39.91%	93.81%	6	Tanzania, United Republic Of	0.00	0.02	0.37	0.00	0.12	1.92	0.00%	0.00%
7	Singapore	1.35	1.82	1.04	4.67	4.88	2.82	-42.77%	-22.77%	7	Ethiopia	0.00	0.30	0.13	0.00	2.18	0.70	0.00%	0.00%
8	Belgium	1.31	0.96	0.92	4.54	2.57	2.50	-3.92%	-29.58%	8	United Arab Emirates	0.02	0.09	0.07	0.17	0.67	0.35	0.00%	0.00%
9	Hong Kong	0.81	1.61	0.84	2.82	4.33	2.27	-48.17%	2.73%	9	Turkey	0.00	0.05	0.04	0.00	0.37	0.21	0.00%	0.00%
10	United Kingdom	1.09	0.66	0.54	3.76	1.77	1.48	-17.32%	-49.85%	10	Greece	0.00	0.04	0.02	0.00	0.26	0.10	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Rest of the World</b>		4.87	4.92	3.75	16.87	13.21	10.15	-23.91%	-23.07%	<b>Rest of the World</b>		0.31	0.38	0.03	2.73	2.79	0.13	-93.26%	-91.69%
<b>Total</b>		<b>28.86</b>	<b>37.27</b>	<b>36.90</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-0.99%</b>	<b>27.86%</b>			<b>11.28</b>	<b>13.61</b>	<b>19.02</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>39.73%</b>	<b>68.58%</b>

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<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

**Table 7. Main imports partner countries in November 2016**

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/decrease	
		2015	2016		2015	2016		Nov2016/Oct2016	Nov2016/Nov2015
		Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>	Nov (R)	Oct <sup>1</sup>	Nov <sup>1</sup>		
1	Uganda	19.16	16.01	26.70	12.59	12.69	18.76	66.74%	39.32%
2	China	27.20	21.55	24.98	17.87	17.09	17.55	15.89%	-8.17%
3	Kenya	12.60	10.05	10.94	8.28	7.96	7.69	8.90%	-13.16%
4	Tanzania, United Republic Of	7.91	8.91	9.05	5.20	7.07	6.36	1.55%	14.44%
5	United Arab Emirates	10.55	9.35	7.47	6.94	7.41	5.25	-20.18%	-29.27%
6	India	13.37	9.11	7.26	8.78	7.22	5.10	-20.29%	-45.69%
7	Japan	3.56	4.20	4.14	2.34	3.33	2.91	-1.30%	16.30%
8	Zambia	0.94	3.15	4.02	0.62	2.50	2.83	27.66%	329.68%
9	Italy	2.08	0.87	3.78	1.37	0.69	2.66	332.66%	81.97%
10	Russian Federation	5.27	6.31	3.71	3.46	5.00	2.61	-41.23%	-29.61%
<b>Rest of the World</b>		49.53	36.63	40.27	32.55	29.04	28.30	9.94%	-18.71%
<b>Total</b>		<b>152.17</b>	<b>126.14</b>	<b>142.31</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>12.82%</b>	<b>-6.48%</b>

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**Acronyms used:**

c.i.f: Cost, Insurance and Freight

f.o.b: Free On Board

H.S: Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System

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

n.e.s: Not Elsewhere Specified

Oct: October

Nov: November