



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



Formal External Trade in Goods

January 2017

March 2017

Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods January 2017

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 65.54 million in January 2017, a decrease of 21.53 per cent compared to the previous month of December 2016. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit decreased by 37.05 per cent on the deficit of January 2016.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016		2017	2016		2017	Jan2017/Dec2016	Jan2017/Jan2016
	Jan (R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹	Jan (R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹		
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	39.96	57.49	55.29	21.71	28.96	28.96	-3.83%	38.37%
Domestic exports	29.71	35.36	30.94	16.14	17.81	17.81	-12.50%	4.16%
Re-exports	10.25	22.13	24.35	5.57	11.15	11.15	10.01%	137.53%
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	144.07	141.01	120.83	78.29	71.04	71.04	-14.31%	-16.13%
Total External Trade (A+B)	184.03	198.50	176.12	100.00	100.00	100.00	-11.28%	-4.30%
Trade Balance (A-B)	-104.12	-83.52	-65.54				-21.53%	-37.05%

Note: (R) – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In January 2017, domestic exports values decreased by 12.50 per cent compared to December 2016 and increased by 4.16 per cent compared to January 2016. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in January 2017 by SITC sections.

Table 2. Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in January 2017

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016		2017	2016		2017	Jan2017/Dec2016	Jan2017/Jan2016
	Jan(R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹	Jan(R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	13.85	14.34	13.39	46.61	40.54	43.26	-6.62%	-3.33%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.10	0.09	0.11	3.76%	17.03%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	6.91	9.33	6.77	23.25	26.37	21.88	-27.39%	-1.95%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.17	0.08	0.05	-45.18%	-68.86%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.10	0.02	-80.18%	-40.94%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.17	0.29	0.11	0.58	0.81	0.37	-60.46%	-33.73%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2.95	1.35	1.73	9.94	3.80	5.59	28.46%	-41.48%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	1.33	0.73	0.64	4.46	2.08	2.08	-12.53%	-51.50%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.55	0.89	0.58	1.87	2.52	1.89	-34.55%	5.27%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	3.86	8.34	7.66	12.98	23.59	24.75	-8.20%	98.59%
Total Domestic Exports	29.71	35.36	30.94	100.00	100.00	100.00	-12.50%	4.16%

Note: (R) – Revised,

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Imports

In January 2017, total imports values decreased by 14.31 per cent compared to December 2016 and also decreased by 16.13 per cent compared to January 2016.

Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in January 2017

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016		2017	2016		2017	Jan2017/Dec2016	Jan2017/Jan2016
	Jan(R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹	Jan(R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	25.35	22.59	24.89	17.60	16.02	20.60	10.18%	-1.82%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.88	2.31	1.76	0.61	1.64	1.45	-24.02%	100.49%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	4.69	4.34	2.55	3.26	3.08	2.11	-41.21%	-45.64%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1.74	1.98	2.29	1.21	1.41	1.90	15.62%	31.37%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	3.67	3.98	3.73	2.55	2.82	3.09	-6.38%	1.67%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	16.99	18.44	16.39	11.79	13.07	13.57	-11.10%	-3.50%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	28.14	31.10	25.68	19.54	22.05	21.25	-17.43%	-8.76%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	48.79	39.65	29.94	33.87	28.12	24.78	-24.50%	-39%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	13.81	16.69	13.60	9.59	11.83	11.25	-18.51%	-1.56%
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	144.07	141.01	120.83	100.00	100.00	100.00	-14.31%	-16.13%

Note: (R) – Revised
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Re-exports

In January 2017, re-exports values increased by 10.01 per cent compared to December 2016 and also increased by 137.53 per cent compared to January 2016.

Table 4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in January 2017

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016		2017	2016		2017	Jan2017/Dec2016	Jan2017/Jan2016
	Jan(R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹	Jan(R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	1.57	3.70	2.85	15.30	16.73	11.69	-23.09%	81.53%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.04	0.30	0.28	0.41	1.35	1.14	0.00%	562.26%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	0.02	0.70	0.93	0.20	3.18	3.81	0.00%	0.00%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	4.92	11.27	15.87	48.04	50.90	65.19	40.89%	222.36%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1.50	2.08	2.04	14.65	9.41	8.36	-2.24%	35.64%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.31	0.54	0.74	2.99	2.44	3.03	36.68%	140.74%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.17	0.87	0.26	1.63	3.94	1.05	0.00%	0.00%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	1.54	2.06	0.81	15.05	9.33	3.34	-60.57%	0.00%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.18	0.60	0.58	1.74	2.72	2.39	0.00%	0.00%
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	10.25	22.13	24.35	100.00	100.00	100.00	10.01%	137.53%

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Trading Partners

Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in January 2017 - 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	
		2016		2017	2016		2017	Jan2017/ Dec2016	Jan2017/ Jan2016			2016		2017	2016		2017	Jan2017/ Dec2016	Jan2017/ Jan2016
		Jan (R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹	Jan (R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹					Jan (R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹	Jan (R)	Dec ¹	Jan ¹		
1	United Arab Emirates	4.18	8.44	8.17	14.06	23.87	26.42	-3.17%	95.69%	1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	7.01	14.62	14.22	68.43	66.04	58.39	-2.73%	102.67%
2	Kenya	8.13	8.17	7.96	27.37	23.10	25.72	-2.55%	-2.14%	2	Kenya	0.75	1.21	3.09	7.31	5.48	12.68	154.66%	311.94%
3	Switzerland	3.78	5.86	4.28	12.73	16.58	13.82	-27.04%	13.09%	3	Belgium	0.02	0.88	2.47	0.16	3.98	10.14	180.59%	14926.02 %
4	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	2.68	3.77	3.49	9.02	10.66	11.29	-7.34%	30.39%	4	Burundi	0.70	4.15	2.18	6.80	18.76	8.97	-47.38%	213.19%
5	United States	2.38	1.63	1.78	8.01	4.60	5.76	9.62%	-25.05%	5	Ethiopia	0.11	0.39	1.24	1.04	1.74	5.09	220.91%	1066.99%
6	Singapore	1.34	1.14	1.00	4.50	3.22	3.23	-12.36%	-25.24%	6	United Arab Emirates	0.06	0.15	0.27	0.59	0.68	1.09	76.78%	337.96%
7	Germany	0.03	0.35	0.79	0.09	1.00	2.55	124.02%	2832.43%	7	United Kingdom	0.54	0.19	0.19	5.30	0.86	0.77	-1.91%	-65.71%
8	Belgium	0.59	0.86	0.68	1.97	2.45	2.19	-21.54%	15.78%	8	Turkey	0.04	0.08	0.13	0.40	0.36	0.52	58.56%	210.98%
9	Hong Kong	0.40	1.44	0.62	1.34	4.07	2.00	-57.02%	55.36%	9	Morocco	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.52	0.00%	0.00%
10	Uganda	3.03	0.41	0.53	10.20	1.17	1.72	29.13%	-82.39%	10	Tanzania, United Republic Of	0.92	0.01	0.12	8.94	0.03	0.49	2029.59%	-86.93%
Rest of the World		3.18	3.29	1.64	10.72	9.30	5.30	-50.11%	-48.48%	Rest of the World		0.11	0.46	0.33	1.03	2.09	1.35	-28.74%	212.05%
Total		29.71	35.36	30.94	100.00	100.00	100.00	-12.50%	4.16%	Total		10.25	22.13	24.35	100.00	100.00	100.00	10.01%	137.53%

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Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in January 2017

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/decrease	
		2016		2017	2016		2017	Jan2017/Dec2016	Jan2017/Jan2016
		Jan	Dec	Jan	Jan	Dec	Jan		
1	China	32.08	35.11	30.11	22.27	24.90	24.92	-14.26%	-6.16%
2	Uganda	13.91	18.91	13.30	9.65	13.41	11.00	-29.69%	-4.39%
3	Kenya	11.77	10.43	9.32	8.17	7.39	7.71	-10.60%	-20.79%
4	India	6.31	11.52	7.88	4.38	8.17	6.52	-31.58%	24.93%
5	Tanzania, United Republic Of	7.30	8.34	6.52	5.07	5.91	5.39	-21.84%	-10.80%
6	Zambia	2.08	4.43	4.38	1.44	3.14	3.63	-1.05%	110.88%
7	United Arab Emirates	7.70	6.45	4.32	5.35	4.57	3.58	-32.92%	-43.86%
9	Japan	3.44	4.36	3.48	2.39	3.09	2.88	-20.13%	1.32%
10	South Africa	4.65	1.66	3.37	3.22	1.18	2.79	102.59%	-27.41%
11	Russian Federation	5.92	0.73	2.63	4.11	0.52	2.17	257.54%	-55.65%
Rest of the World		48.91	39.07	35.52	33.95	27.71	29.39	-9.09%	-27.39%
Total		144.07	141.01	120.83	100.00	100.00	100.00	-14.31%	-16.13%

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

Via/Year	Imports			Exports			Re-exports				
	2016		2017	2016		2017	2016		2017		
	January(R)	December ¹	January ¹	January(R)	December ¹	January ¹	January(R)	December ¹	January ¹		
Air	18.82	24.20	16.45	Air	4.35	9.16	8.63	Air	1.56	2.88	7.63
Land	125.26	116.88	104.38	Land	25.36	26.20	22.31	Land	8.69	19.25	16.72
Total	144.07	141.09	120.83	Total	29.71	35.36	30.94	Total	10.25	22.13	24.35

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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

Dec: December

Jan: January