



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



# Formal External Trade in Goods

## February 2017

April 2017

## Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods February 2017

### Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 75.94 million in February 2017, an increase of 15.87 per cent compared to the previous month of January. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit decreased by 28.84 per cent on the deficit of February 2016.

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

	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016	2017		2016	2017		Feb2017/Jan2017	Feb2017/Feb2016
	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>		
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>42.12</b>	<b>55.29</b>	<b>49.64</b>	<b>22.06</b>	<b>31.39</b>	<b>28.33</b>	<b>-10.22%</b>	<b>17.84%</b>
Domestic exports	27.53	30.94	30.52	14.41	17.57	17.42	-1.35%	10.89%
Re-exports	14.60	24.35	19.11	7.64	13.82	10.91	-21.51%	30.92%
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>148.84</b>	<b>120.83</b>	<b>125.57</b>	<b>77.94</b>	<b>68.61</b>	<b>71.67</b>	<b>3.93%</b>	<b>-15.63%</b>
<b>Total External Trade (A+B)</b>	<b>190.96</b>	<b>176.12</b>	<b>175.21</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-0.51%</b>	<b>-8.25%</b>
<b>Trade Balance (A-B)</b>	<b>-106.72</b>	<b>-65.54</b>	<b>-75.94</b>				<b>15.87%</b>	<b>-28.84%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised,

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

### Exports

In February 2017, domestic exports values decreased by 1.35 per cent compared to January 2017 and increased by 10.89 per cent compared to February 2016. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in February 2017 by SITC sections.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016	2017		2016	2017		Feb2017/Jan2017	Feb2017/Feb2016
	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	14.63	13.39	11.17	53.16	43.26	36.60	-16.54%	-23.65%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.08	0.03	0.03	0.28	0.11	0.10	-7.78%	-59.00%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	6.56	6.77	10.60	23.85	21.88	34.71	56.48%	61.40%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.12	0.05	0.03	-45.03%	-73.46%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	-100.00%	-100.00%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.12	0.11	0.19	0.43	0.37	0.64	71.31%	64.28%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.84	1.73	1.44	3.07	5.59	4.71	-16.77%	70.48%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.97	0.64	0.37	3.52	2.08	1.20	-42.96%	-62.16%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.53	0.58	0.29	1.94	1.89	0.95	-50.55%	-45.85%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s.	3.75	7.66	6.43	13.64	24.75	21.06	-16.07%	71.22%
<b>Total Domestic Exports</b>	<b>27.53</b>	<b>30.94</b>	<b>30.52</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-1.35%</b>	<b>10.89%</b>

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<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Imports

In February 2017, total imports values increased by 3.93 per cent compared to January 2017 and also decreased by 15.63 per cent compared to February 2016.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016	2017		2016	2017		Feb2017/Jan2017	Feb2017/Feb2016
	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	17.76	24.89	19.81	11.93	20.60	15.78	-20.41%	11.54%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	2.14	1.76	1.82	1.44	1.45	1.45	3.69%	-15.05%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	6.30	2.55	3.10	4.23	2.11	2.47	21.48%	-50.78%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	2.22	2.29	2.38	1.49	1.90	1.90	3.96%	7.34%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	3.24	3.73	4.39	2.18	3.09	3.50	17.78%	35.64%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	21.01	16.39	17.16	14.12	13.57	13.66	4.68%	-18.33%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	25.79	25.68	27.93	17.33	21.25	22.24	8.76%	8.28%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	50.34	29.94	40.06	33.83	24.78	31.90	33.82%	-20.42%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	20.03	13.60	8.92	13.46	11.25	7.10	-34.41%	-55.48%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-100.00%	0.00%
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>148.84</b>	<b>120.83</b>	<b>125.57</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>3.93%</b>	<b>-15.63%</b>

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

## Re-exports

In February 2017, re-exports values decreased by 21.51 per cent compared to January 2017 and also increased by 30.92 per cent compared to February 2016.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2016	2017		2016	2017		Feb2017/Jan2017	Feb2017/Feb2016
	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>		
0 - Food and live animals	3.02	2.85	3.06	20.72	11.69	16.00	7.38%	1.10%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.13	0.28	0.21	0.88	1.14	1.11	-22.99%	65.62%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	0.04	0.93	0.94	0.25	3.81	4.93	1.59%	2517.22%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	4.90	15.87	11.08	33.54	65.19	57.97	-30.20%	126.29%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	2.22	2.04	1.18	15.23	8.36	6.19	-41.94%	-46.82%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.24	0.74	0.69	1.62	3.03	3.63	-5.72%	194.63%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.54	0.26	0.25	3.71	1.05	1.33	-0.29%	-52.88%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	3.16	0.81	1.21	21.64	3.34	6.35	49.03%	-61.60%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.35	0.58	0.47	2.42	2.39	2.48	-18.31%	34.20%
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>14.60</b>	<b>24.35</b>	<b>19.11</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-21.51%</b>	<b>30.92%</b>

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<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Trading Partners

Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in February 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		Feb2017/ Jan2017	Feb2017/ Feb2016			2016	2017		2016	2017		Feb2017/ Jan2017	Feb2017/ Feb2016
		Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>					Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>		
1	United Arab Emirates	4.33	8.17	6.99	15.74	26.42	22.90	-14.48%	61.33%	1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	10.51	14.22	14.39	72.03	58.39	75.29	1.21%	-26.92%
2	Kenya	8.52	7.96	6.65	30.94	25.72	21.79	-16.44%	-21.91%	2	Burundi	2.29	2.18	1.20	15.72	8.97	6.27	-45.17%	91.54%
3	Hong Kong	1.30	0.62	3.64	4.74	2.00	11.92	488.71%	179.06%	3	Kenya	0.75	3.09	1.18	5.11	12.68	6.19	-61.69%	-36.95%
4	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	4.31	3.49	3.45	15.64	11.29	11.31	-1.15%	-19.82%	4	Uganda	0.00	0.10	0.91	0.00	0.42	4.75	788.10%	-100.00%
5	Switzerland	2.93	4.28	3.12	10.63	13.82	10.22	-27.08%	6.59%	5	Belgium	0.01	2.47	0.77	0.06	10.14	4.02	-68.91%	-98.94%
6	Uganda	0.74	0.53	1.29	2.68	1.72	4.23	142.14%	74.98%	6	France	0.44	0.00	0.16	2.98	0.00	0.83	0.00%	174.63%
7	United States	0.64	1.78	1.22	2.32	5.76	4.00	-31.47%	91.26%	7	Ethiopia	0.00	1.24	0.13	0.00	5.09	0.68	-89.51%	-100.00%
8	Singapore	0.71	1.00	1.15	2.59	3.23	3.77	15.25%	61.12%	8	United States	0.00	0.00	0.12	0.00	0.02	0.65	2396.28%	-100.00%
9	Belgium	1.13	0.68	1.08	4.09	2.19	3.55	59.65%	-3.88%	9	United Kingdom	0.00	0.19	0.08	0.00	0.77	0.40	-58.76%	-100.00%
10	Burundi	0.48	0.16	0.52	1.73	0.52	1.71	223.66%	9.36%	10	Turkey	0.00	0.13	0.05	0.00	0.52	0.27	-59.41%	-100.00%
<b>Rest of the World</b>		2.45	2.27	1.41	8.89	7.33	4.61	-37.99%	-42.54%	<b>Rest of the World</b>		0.60	0.46	0.33	4.11	1.90	1.72	-28.74%	82.28%
<b>Total</b>		<b>27.53</b>	<b>30.94</b>	<b>30.52</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-1.35%</b>	<b>10.89%</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>14.60</b>	<b>24.35</b>	<b>19.11</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-21.51%</b>	<b>-23.62%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

**Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in February 2017**

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/decrease	
		2016	2017		2016	2017		Feb2017/Jan2017	Feb2017/Feb2016
		Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>		
1	China	35.07	30.11	25.23	23.56	24.92	20.09	-16.20%	39.02%
2	India	8.89	7.88	13.11	5.98	6.52	10.44	66.39%	-32.17%
3	Kenya	12.16	9.32	9.32	8.17	7.71	7.42	0.01%	30.47%
4	Japan	3.22	3.48	4.14	2.17	2.88	3.30	18.85%	-22.19%
5	Belgium	4.91	2.57	3.66	3.30	2.12	2.91	42.55%	34.37%
6	Germany	8.58	2.01	2.77	5.76	1.66	2.20	37.48%	210.23%
7	Egypt	1.40	2.26	1.42	0.94	1.87	1.13	-36.82%	-1.51%
9	Denmark	0.20	0.29	1.37	0.14	0.24	1.09	370.73%	-85.18%
10	France	1.70	1.28	1.28	1.14	1.06	1.02	-0.02%	32.52%
11	Italy	1.37	1.56	1.07	0.92	1.29	0.85	-31.06%	28.11%
	<b>Rest of the World</b>	71.31	60.08	62.20	47.91	49.72	49.53	3.54%	14.65%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>148.84</b>	<b>120.83</b>	<b>125.57</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>3.93%</b>	<b>-15.63%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures**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	
	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>
<i>Air</i>	22.08	16.45	17.33	4.602	8.628	9.044	0.40	7.63	2.43
<i>Land</i>	126.77	104.38	108.30	22.923	22.313	21.480	14.20	16.72	16.68
<b>Total</b>	<b>148.85</b>	<b>120.83</b>	<b>125.63</b>	<b>27.53</b>	<b>30.94</b>	<b>30.52</b>	<b>14.60</b>	<b>24.35</b>	<b>19.11</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

Jan: January

Feb: February