



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



# Formal External Trade in Goods

## February 2018

May 2018

## Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods February 2018

### Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 166.91 million in February 2018, an increase of 22.57 per cent compared to the previous month of January 2018. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit increased by 12.71 per cent on the deficit of February 2017.

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

	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		Feb2018/Jan2018	Feb2018/Feb2017
	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>46.88</b>	<b>75.61</b>	<b>71.31</b>	<b>19.38</b>	<b>26.31</b>	<b>23.04</b>	<b>-5.68%</b>	<b>52.13%</b>
<b>Domestic exports</b>	27.55	47.81	44.95	11.39	16.64	14.52	-5.99%	63.17%
<b>Re-exports</b>	19.33	27.79	26.36	7.99	9.67	8.52	-5.16%	36.38%
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>194.97</b>	<b>211.78</b>	<b>238.22</b>	<b>80.62</b>	<b>73.69</b>	<b>76.96</b>	<b>12.49%</b>	<b>22.19%</b>
<b>Total External Trade (A+B)</b>	<b>241.84</b>	<b>287.39</b>	<b>309.53</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>7.71%</b>	<b>27.99%</b>
<b>Trade Balance (A-B)</b>	<b>-148.09</b>	<b>-136.17</b>	<b>-166.91</b>				<b>22.57%</b>	<b>12.71%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised,

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

### Exports

In February 2018, domestic exports values decreased by 5.99 per cent compared to January 2018 and increased by 63.17 per cent compared to February 2017. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in February 2018 by SITC sections.

**Table2. Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in February 2018**

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		Feb2018/Jan2018	Feb2018/Feb2017
	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	11.18	26.05	17.66	40.57	54.49	39.29	-32.22%	58.03%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.01	0.00	-51.38%	-94.09%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	10.60	11.02	14.72	38.46	23.05	32.75	33.60%	38.96%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.06	0.03	-48.81%	59.09%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.03	6497.29%	0.00%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.19	0.21	0.14	0.71	0.44	0.32	-31.85%	-26.72%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1.44	2.11	2.13	5.22	4.41	4.74	0.97%	48.05%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.37	0.55	0.16	1.33	1.16	0.37	-70.30%	-55.20%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.38	0.66	1.71	1.37	1.38	3.79	158.66%	351.26%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	3.36	7.17	8.37	12.19	15.00	18.62	16.66%	149.25%
<b>Total Domestic Exports</b>	<b>27.55</b>	<b>47.81</b>	<b>44.95</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-5.99%</b>	<b>63.17%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised,

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Imports

In February 2018, total imports values increased by 12.49 per cent compared to January 2018 and by 22.19 per cent compared to February 2017.

**Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in February 2018**

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		Feb2018/Jan2018	Feb2018/Feb2017
	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	28.56	31.66	40.04	14.65	14.95	16.81	26.48%	40.21%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	2.11	2.09	2.21	1.08	0.99	0.93	5.76%	4.92%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	4.17	5.66	4.87	2.14	2.67	2.05	-13.87%	16.87%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	37.35	44.06	33.55	19.16	20.80	14.08	-23.85%	-10.19%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	6.65	9.53	8.17	3.41	4.50	3.43	-14.25%	22.98%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	20.57	21.98	31.62	10.55	10.38	13.27	43.85%	53.76%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	31.17	33.58	35.46	15.99	15.85	14.89	5.63%	13.79%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	52.77	43.90	62.92	27.07	20.73	26.41	43.32%	19.24%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	11.63	18.11	18.25	5.96	8.55	7.66	0.77%	56.94%
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 Imports</b>	<b>194.97</b>	<b>211.78</b>	<b>238.22</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>12.49%</b>	<b>22.19%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

## Re-exports

In February 2018, re-exports values decreased by 5.16 per cent compared to January 2018 but increased by 36.38 per cent compared to February 2017.

**Table 4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in February 2018**

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		Feb2018/Jan2018	Feb2018/Feb2017
	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	3.33	5.70	5.05	17.22	20.51	19.17	-11.34%	51.82%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.23	0.59	0.57	1.19	2.11	2.16	-2.59%	148.78%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1.08	1.30	1.22	5.57	4.69	4.62	-6.74%	13.10%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	11.08	13.09	13.57	57.32	47.09	51.48	3.69%	22.49%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1.69	3.34	2.98	8.72	12.03	11.31	-10.85%	76.83%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.70	0.64	0.58	3.63	2.31	2.20	-9.78%	-17.55%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.31	0.68	0.51	1.62	2.43	1.95	-24.09%	63.89%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.43	1.32	1.16	2.24	4.76	4.41	-12.16%	168.85%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.48	1.05	0.70	2.50	3.77	2.66	-33.20%	45.13%
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>19.33</b>	<b>27.79</b>	<b>26.36</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-5.16%</b>	<b>36.38%</b>

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## Trading Partners

Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in February 2018 - 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	
		2017	2018		2017	2018		Feb2018/ Jan2018	Feb2018/ Feb2017			2017	2018		2017	2018		Feb2018/ Jan2018	Feb2018/ Feb2017
		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	Kenya	6.65	9.77	9.28	24.14	20.44	20.64	-5.06%	39.52%	1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	15.30	23.25	20.90	79.18	83.65	79.28	-10.11%	36.56%
2	Switzerland	3.30	5.91	5.95	11.99	12.35	13.24	0.80%	80.24%	2	Burundi	1.24	0.68	0.90	6.42	2.45	3.40	31.34%	-27.84%
3	United Arab Emirates	2.79	8.37	5.68	10.14	17.51	12.64	-32.13%	103.35%	3	Qatar	0.00	0.50	0.67	0.00	1.79	2.53	33.74%	375059.59%
4	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	3.45	10.27	4.61	12.53	21.48	10.26	-55.10%	33.54%	4	Sudan	0.00	0.00	0.39	0.00	0.00	1.47	0.00%	0.00%
5	Pakistan	0.00	0.00	3.61	0.02	0.00	8.03	0.00%	77605.04%	5	Uganda	0.16	0.20	0.25	0.82	0.73	0.94	22.12%	57.02%
6	Singapore	1.15	1.97	3.42	4.18	4.12	7.62	73.73%	197.48%	6	Belgium	0.77	0.33	0.17	3.97	1.17	0.66	-46.62%	-77.32%
7	United States	1.22	1.37	2.26	4.43	2.87	5.03	64.55%	84.96%	7	United Arab Emirates	0.08	0.43	0.17	0.42	1.54	0.65	-59.81%	112.12%
8	Hong Kong	3.64	0.21	2.05	13.21	0.44	4.55	881.37%	-43.74%	8	Ethiopia	0.13	0.21	0.14	0.67	0.77	0.54	-32.99%	10.39%
9	Uganda	1.29	4.32	1.87	4.69	9.04	4.16	-56.73%	44.84%	9	United Kingdom	0.08	0.02	0.14	0.40	0.06	0.51	773.24%	0.00%
10	Germany	0.28	0.42	1.51	1.01	0.89	3.35	0.00%	440.08%	10	Turkey	0.05	0.11	0.10	0.27	0.38	0.38	0.00%	93.45%
	<b>Rest of the World</b>	3.76	5.19	4.71	13.65	10.86	10.48	-9.34%	25.20%		<b>Rest of the World</b>	1.52	2.07	2.54	7.85	7.45	9.63	22.61%	67.29%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>27.55</b>	<b>47.81</b>	<b>44.95</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-5.99%</b>	<b>63.17%</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>19.33</b>	<b>27.79</b>	<b>26.36</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>-5.16%</b>	<b>36.38%</b>

Note: (R) – Revised

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**Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in February 2018**

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage increase/decrease	
		2017	2018		2017	2018		Feb2018/Jan2018	Feb2018/Feb2017
		Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>	Feb (R)	Jan <sup>1</sup>	Feb <sup>1</sup>		
1	China	32.10	39.18	41.68	16.46	18.50	17.50	6.39%	29.86%
2	India	27.55	17.34	30.99	14.13	8.19	13.01	78.67%	12.47%
3	United Arab Emirates	23.92	25.79	21.99	12.27	12.18	9.23	-14.72%	-8.07%
4	Uganda	15.29	19.04	18.48	7.84	8.99	7.76	-2.97%	20.83%
5	Kenya	11.34	12.12	11.55	5.82	5.73	4.85	-4.77%	1.78%
6	Sweden	6.50	3.00	10.40	3.33	1.42	4.36	246.56%	59.93%
7	Tanzania, United Republic Of	6.63	10.95	7.86	3.40	5.17	3.30	-28.26%	18.54%
9	Germany	7.02	3.97	7.58	3.60	1.87	3.18	90.95%	7.94%
10	France	1.46	2.00	7.42	0.75	0.95	3.11	270.42%	407.64%
11	South Africa	3.98	7.11	5.89	2.04	3.36	2.47	-17.07%	48.24%
	<b>Rest of the World</b>	71.31	60.08	62.20	36.58	28.37	26.11	3.54%	-12.78%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>194.97</b>	<b>211.78</b>	<b>238.22</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>12.49%</b>	<b>22.19%</b>

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<sup>1</sup>Preliminary figures

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

Via/Year	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2017	2018		2017	2018		2017	2018	
	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>
<b>Air</b>	17.71	24.21	33.55	6.07	8.83	11.14	2.47	3.00	3.7
<b>Land</b>	177.26	187.57	204.67	21.48	38.98	33.81	16.86	24.79	22.66
<b>Total</b>	<b>194.97</b>	<b>211.78</b>	<b>238.22</b>	<b>27.55</b>	<b>47.81</b>	<b>44.95</b>	<b>19.33</b>	<b>27.79</b>	<b>26.36</b>

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**Acronyms used:**

c.i.f: Cost, Insurance and Freight

Dec: December

f.o.b: Free On Board

Feb: February

Jan: January

n.e.s: Not Elsewhere Specified

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