



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



Formal External Trade in Goods

November 2018

December 2018

Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods November 2018

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 231.75 million in November 2018, an increase of 33.97 per cent compared to the previous month of October 2018. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit increased by 55.47 per cent on the deficit of November 2017.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

Flow	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		Nov2018/Oct2018	Nov2018/Nov2017
	Nov (R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov (R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹		
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	78.20	98.17	83.75	25.60	26.58	20.98	-14.69%	7.10%
Domestic exports	50.44	69.75	51.67	16.51	18.88	12.94	-25.92%	2.44%
Re-exports	27.76	28.43	32.09	9.09	7.70	8.04	12.88%	15.57%
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	227.27	271.16	315.50	74.40	73.42	79.02	16.36%	38.82%
Total External Trade (A+B)	305.47	369.33	399.26	100.00	100.00	100.00	8.10%	30.70%
Trade Balance (A-B)	-149.07	-172.99	-231.75				33.97%	55.47%

Note: (R) – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In November 2018, domestic exports values decreased by 25.92 per cent compared to October 2018 and increased by 2.44 per cent compared to November 2017. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in November 2018 by SITC sections.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		Nov2018/Oct2018	Nov2018/Nov2017
	Nov (R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov (R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	24.30	24.25	18.73	48.17	34.77	36.25	-22.77%	-22.92%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.01	-75.63%	-22.00%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	13.62	11.97	12.79	27.01	17.17	24.75	6.79%	-6.13%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.02	0.04	0.00	0.03	0.06	0.00	-95.06%	-87.61%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.06	0.00	0.01	0.11	0.00	0.02	1305.52%	-81.31%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.15	0.41	0.10	0.31	0.59	0.20	-75.07%	-33.74%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2.17	1.52	2.00	4.30	2.18	3.87	31.85%	-7.80%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.85	0.55	0.10	1.68	0.79	0.20	-81.22%	-87.77%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1.12	0.94	0.93	2.22	1.35	1.80	-0.86%	-17.06%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	8.14	30.05	17.00	16.14	43.09	32.90	-43.44%	108.74%
Total Domestic Exports	50.44	69.75	51.67	100.00	100.00	100.00	-25.92%	2.44%

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Imports

In November 2018, total imports values have increased by 16.36 per cent compared to October 2018 and by 38.82 per cent compared to November 2017. Table 3 shows imported goods in value of imports in November 2018 by SITC sections.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		Nov2018/Oct2018	Nov2018/Nov2017
	Nov (R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov (R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	47.29	44.06	48.46	20.81	16.25	15.36	9.99%	2.48%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	3.05	3.30	2.28	1.34	1.22	0.72	-30.84%	-25.10%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	4.28	6.89	5.24	1.88	2.54	1.66	-23.93%	22.40%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	37.01	43.74	38.65	16.28	16.13	12.25	-11.63%	4.44%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	5.13	8.67	10.09	2.26	3.20	3.20	16.33%	96.77%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	28.25	33.75	30.36	12.43	12.45	9.62	-10.04%	7.47%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	32.89	44.94	50.14	14.47	16.57	15.89	11.57%	52.44%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	51.17	62.28	108.96	22.52	22.97	34.54	74.95%	112.93%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	17.59	22.13	18.59	7.74	8.16	5.89	-16.00%	5.69%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	-100.00%
Total Imports	227.27	271.16	315.50	100.00	100.00	100.00	16.36%	38.82%

Note: (R) – Revised

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Re-exports

In November 2018, re-exports values have increased by 12.88 per cent compared to October 2018 and by 15.57 per cent compared to November 2017. Table 4 shows re-exported goods in value of re-exports in November 2018 by SITC sections.

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

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2017	2018		2017	2018		Nov2018/Oct2018	Nov2018/Nov2017
	Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	4.84	5.17	6.34	17.42	18.19	19.75	22.55%	31.06%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.42	0.61	0.31	1.52	2.15	0.96	-49.76%	-27.34%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1.34	1.39	1.24	4.83	4.90	3.87	-10.83%	-7.31%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	13.82	13.48	14.74	49.78	47.43	45.95	9.37%	6.68%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	2.81	3.81	4.14	10.11	13.39	12.90	8.72%	47.44%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.88	1.11	1.42	3.16	3.92	4.43	27.69%	61.94%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.46	0.79	1.07	1.65	2.79	3.32	34.60%	132.10%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	2.62	1.29	1.95	9.43	4.53	6.08	51.44%	-25.45%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.58	0.74	0.85	2.09	2.59	2.66	15.98%	47.21%
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	27.76	28.43	32.09	100.00	100.00	100.00	12.88%	15.57%

Note: (R) – Revised

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Trading Partners

Table 6.1 Main Trading Partner Countries in November 2018 - Exports

Rank	Country	Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2017	2018		2017	2018		Nov2018/Oct2018	Nov2018/Nov2017
		Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹		
1	United Arab Emirates	5.56	24.29	14.67	11.02	34.83	28.40	-39.60%	163.99%
2	Kenya	11.64	8.25	7.61	23.08	11.82	14.73	-7.73%	-34.64%
3	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	5.36	5.24	4.86	10.64	7.51	9.41	-7.15%	-9.37%
4	Switzerland	7.94	4.83	4.54	15.73	6.93	8.78	-6.16%	-42.83%
5	Singapore	2.73	3.99	4.22	5.41	5.73	8.17	5.65%	54.64%
6	Hong Kong	0.59	1.07	3.45	1.18	1.54	6.68	221.26%	480.82%
7	Kazakhstan	3.33	4.82	2.98	6.61	6.91	5.76	-38.27%	-10.71%
8	Belgium	1.85	2.04	1.05	3.68	2.93	2.03	-48.61%	-43.47%
9	China	0.95	0.32	1.04	1.89	0.45	2.00	228.17%	8.50%
10	United Kingdom	1.32	2.04	1.03	2.62	2.92	2.00	-49.24%	-21.70%
Rest of the World		9.15	12.86	6.22	18.15	18.43	12.04	-51.61%	-32.04%
Total		50.44	69.75	51.67	100.00	100.00	100.00	-25.92%	2.44%

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Table 6.2 Main Trading Partner Countries in November 2018 - Re-exports

Rank	Country	Re-Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2017	2018		2017	2018		Nov2018/Oct2018	Nov2018/Nov2017
		Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹		
1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	20.06	22.87	25.51	72.26	80.45	79.52	11.58%	27.19%
2	Burundi	1.14	0.43	0.76	4.11	1.51	2.37	77.60%	-33.32%
3	Belgium	1.03	0.17	0.37	3.70	0.59	1.15	120.25%	-64.26%
4	Ethiopia	0.32	0.13	0.22	1.15	0.46	0.68	66.34%	-31.62%
5	Germany	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.13	0.15	0.13	-5.44%	0.00%
6	Congo	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.14	0.12	-1.70%	0.00%
7	Hong Kong	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.00%	4.80%
8	China	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	197.26%
9	Jordan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00%	-100.00%
10	Canada	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	-100.00%	0.00%
Rest of the World		5.17	4.75	5.13	18.61	16.70	16.00	8.15%	-0.62%
Total		27.76	28.43	32.09	100.00	100.00	100.00	12.88%	15.57%

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Table 6.3. Main Trading Partner Countries in November 2018 - Imports

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2017	2018		2017	2018		Nov2018/Oct2018	Nov2018/Nov2017
		Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹		
1	China	33.70	61.74	60.47	14.83	22.77	19.17	-2.06%	79.42%
2	United Arab Emirates	29.13	24.43	27.05	12.82	9.01	8.57	10.75%	-7.12%
3	Sweden	0.10	2.43	26.26	0.04	0.89	8.32	982.21%	26725.42%
4	India	24.85	22.52	21.26	10.94	8.31	6.74	-5.59%	-14.46%
5	Uganda	18.86	21.93	19.31	8.30	8.09	6.12	-11.95%	2.41%
6	Kenya	11.95	14.74	16.48	5.26	5.44	5.22	11.79%	37.98%
7	Tanzania, United Republic Of	9.91	12.93	14.03	4.36	4.77	4.45	8.56%	41.69%
8	Russian Federation	10.49	6.36	13.33	4.61	2.35	4.23	109.61%	27.14%
9	South Africa	6.51	5.84	10.92	2.86	2.15	3.46	86.91%	67.80%
10	Switzerland	4.73	6.49	8.93	2.08	2.39	2.83	37.64%	88.54%
Rest of the World		77.05	91.76	97.46	33.90	33.84	30.89	6.22%	26.48%
Total		227.27	271.16	315.50	100.00	100.00	100.00	16.36%	38.82%

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Table 7. Trade in Goods by Mode of Transport (Values in US \$ Million)

Mode/Period	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2017	2018		2017	2018		2017	2018	
	Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov(R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹	Nov (R)	Oct ¹	Nov ¹
Air	27.51	23.42	24.02	9.97	31.85	18.51	4.18	4.18	5.02
Land	199.76	247.74	291.49	40.47	37.89	33.16	23.58	24.25	27.07
Total	227.27	271.16	315.50	50.44	69.75	51.67	27.76	28.43	32.09

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Acronyms used:

c.i.f: Cost, Insurance and Freight

f.o.b: Free On Board

n.e.s: Not Elsewhere Specified

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

US \$: United States Dollar

Oct: October

Nov: November