



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



Formal External Trade in Goods

July 2021

August 2021

Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods July 2021

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 226.36 million in July 2021, an increase of 18.28 per cent compared to the previous month of June. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit increased by 82.72 per cent on the deficit of July 2020.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

| FLOW | Value: US \$ Million | | | Shares in percentage | | | Percentage Increase/Decrease | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | | July2021/ June2021 | July2021/ July2020 |
| | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | | |
| A. Total Exports (f.o.b) | 147.17 | 143.15 | 116.95 | 35.19 | 29.97 | 25.41 | -18.31% | -20.54% |
| Domestic exports | 121.60 | 101.30 | 78.96 | 29.08 | 21.21 | 17.16 | -22.05% | -35.06% |
| Re-exports | 25.57 | 41.85 | 37.99 | 6.11 | 8.76 | 8.25 | -9.24% | 48.55% |
| B. Total Imports (c.i.f) | 271.06 | 334.54 | 343.31 | 64.81 | 70.03 | 74.59 | 2.62% | 26.66% |
| Total External Trade (A+B) | 418.23 | 477.70 | 460.26 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | -3.65% | 10.05% |
| Trade Balance (A-B) | -123.88 | -191.39 | -226.36 | | | | 18.28% | 82.72% |

Note: (R) – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In July 2021, domestic exports values decreased by 22.05 per cent compared to June 2021 and by 35.06 per cent compared to July 2020. Table 2 shows exported goods in value of exports in July 2021 by SITC sections.

Table2.Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in July 2021

| SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION | Value: US \$ Million | | | Shares in percentage | | | Percentage Increase/Decrease | |
|---|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | | July2021/ June2021 | July2021/ July2020 |
| | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | | |
| 0 - Food and live animals | 19.58 | 34.95 | 28.52 | 16.10 | 34.50 | 36.12 | -18.39% | 45.64% |
| 1 - Beverages and tobacco | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.11 | 247.54% | 3959.76% |
| 2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 8.45 | 15.35 | 7.32 | 6.95 | 15.15 | 9.27 | -52.30% | -13.32% |
| 3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.08 | 0.01 | -94.84% | -94.43% |
| 4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes | 0.12 | 0.19 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.18 | 0.13 | -43.98% | -12.78% |
| 5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s. | 0.40 | 3.21 | 0.64 | 0.33 | 3.17 | 0.81 | -80.14% | 58.04% |
| 6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | 3.65 | 5.77 | 6.64 | 3.00 | 5.70 | 8.40 | 14.92% | 81.85% |
| 7 - Machinery and transport equipment | 0.99 | 0.99 | 4.09 | 0.81 | 0.98 | 5.18 | 314.25% | 313.30% |
| 8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 2.00 | 1.83 | 2.25 | 1.64 | 1.81 | 2.85 | 22.89% | 12.92% |
| 9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s | 86.33 | 38.90 | 29.30 | 70.99 | 38.40 | 37.11 | -24.69% | -66.06% |
| Total Domestic Exports | 121.60 | 101.30 | 78.96 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | -22.05% | -35.06% |

Note: (R) – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Imports

In July 2021, total imports values increased by 2.62 per cent compared to June 2021 and by 26.66 per cent compared to July 2020.

Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in July 2021

| SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION | Value: US \$ Million | | | Shares in percentage | | | Percentage Increase/Decrease | |
|---|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | | July2021/ June2021 | July2021/ July2020 |
| | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | | |
| 0 - Food and live animals | 24.27 | 47.37 | 54.06 | 8.95 | 14.16 | 15.75 | 14.12% | 122.77% |
| 1 - Beverages and tobacco | 0.83 | 1.82 | 2.02 | 0.30 | 0.54 | 0.59 | 11.00% | 144.64% |
| 2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 5.87 | 6.59 | 8.55 | 2.17 | 1.97 | 2.49 | 29.78% | 45.54% |
| 3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | 9.87 | 41.38 | 44.73 | 3.64 | 12.37 | 13.03 | 8.09% | 353.19% |
| 4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes | 6.46 | 11.29 | 20.52 | 2.38 | 3.37 | 5.98 | 81.73% | 217.66% |
| 5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s. | 28.86 | 38.26 | 39.10 | 10.65 | 11.44 | 11.39 | 2.21% | 35.49% |
| 6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | 46.59 | 63.32 | 56.65 | 17.19 | 18.93 | 16.50 | -10.53% | 21.60% |
| 7 - Machinery and transport equipment | 47.94 | 58.57 | 70.56 | 17.69 | 17.51 | 20.55 | 20.47% | 47.18% |
| 8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 16.64 | 29.58 | 23.50 | 6.14 | 8.84 | 6.85 | -20.54% | 41.28% |
| 9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s. | 83.74 | 36.36 | 23.62 | 30.89 | 10.87 | 6.88 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total Imports | 271.06 | 334.54 | 343.31 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 2.62% | 26.66% |

Note: (R) – Revised

¹Preliminary figures

Re-exports

In July 2021, re-exports values decreased by 9.24 per cent compared to June 2021 and increased by 48.55 per cent compared to July 2020.

Table 4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Section in July 2021

| SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION | Value: US \$ Million | | | Shares in percentage | | | Percentage Increase/Decrease | |
|---|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | | July2021/ June2021 | July2021/ July2020 |
| | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | | |
| 0 - Food and live animals | 7.71 | 15.48 | 12.53 | 30.15 | 37.00 | 32.99 | -19.07% | 62.52% |
| 1 - Beverages and tobacco | 0.36 | 0.45 | 0.90 | 1.41 | 1.06 | 2.38 | 103.09% | 151.35% |
| 2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 1.60 | 1.79 | 1.74 | 6.26 | 4.29 | 4.57 | -3.27% | 8.46% |
| 3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | 6.28 | 9.97 | 9.67 | 24.57 | 23.83 | 25.45 | -3.05% | 53.88% |
| 4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes | 3.33 | 5.02 | 3.78 | 13.04 | 12.00 | 9.95 | -24.72% | 13.43% |
| 5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s. | 1.35 | 1.08 | 1.17 | 5.27 | 2.58 | 3.07 | 8.21% | -13.49% |
| 6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | 1.76 | 2.82 | 3.85 | 6.88 | 6.74 | 10.14 | 36.39% | 118.76% |
| 7 - Machinery and transport equipment | 1.62 | 2.69 | 2.57 | 6.32 | 6.43 | 6.75 | -4.66% | 58.65% |
| 8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 1.35 | 2.54 | 1.79 | 5.29 | 6.07 | 4.71 | -29.51% | 32.27% |
| 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 | 25.57 | 41.85 | 37.99 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | -9.24% | 48.55% |

Note: (R) – Revised

¹Preliminary figures

Trading Partners

Table 5. Main Trading Partner Countries in July 2021 - Exports

| Rank | Country | Exports (f.o.b.) | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | Value: US \$ Million | | | Shares in percentage | | | Percentage Increase/Decrease | |
| | | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | | July2021/June2021 | July2021/July2020 |
| | | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | | |
| 1 | United Arab Emirates | 61.11 | 47.08 | 32.66 | 50.26 | 46.48 | 41.36 | -30.64% | -46.56% |
| 2 | Congo, The Democratic Republic Of | 8.71 | 10.19 | 10.56 | 7.16 | 10.05 | 13.37 | 3.66% | 21.24% |
| 3 | United Kingdom | 2.35 | 2.02 | 5.45 | 1.94 | 2.00 | 6.90 | 169.50% | 131.41% |
| 4 | United States | 1.39 | 8.19 | 3.62 | 1.15 | 8.09 | 4.59 | -55.79% | 159.90% |
| 5 | Pakistan | 1.70 | 3.33 | 3.58 | 1.40 | 3.28 | 4.54 | 7.69% | 110.63% |
| 6 | Uganda | 2.21 | 1.56 | 2.46 | 1.81 | 1.54 | 3.12 | 57.67% | 11.70% |
| 7 | Switzerland | 1.54 | 2.95 | 2.19 | 1.27 | 2.91 | 2.77 | -25.74% | 41.88% |
| 8 | Hong Kong | 0.56 | 2.95 | 1.89 | 0.46 | 2.91 | 2.39 | -35.98% | 239.00% |
| 9 | Central African Republic | 0.00 | 0.03 | 1.75 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 2.22 | 4925.01% | 0.00% |
| 10 | Kenya | 0.45 | 1.34 | 1.54 | 0.37 | 1.33 | 1.95 | 0.00% | 246.26% |
| Rest of the World | | 41.58 | 21.66 | 13.26 | 34.20 | 21.38 | 16.79 | -38.78% | -68.11% |
| Total | | 121.60 | 101.30 | 78.96 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | -22.05% | -35.06% |

Note: (R) – Revised

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Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in July 2021–Re-exports

| Rank | Country | Re-Exports (f.o.b.) | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | Value: US \$ Million | | | Shares in percentage | | | Percentage Increase/Decrease | |
| | | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | | July2021/June2021 | July2021/July2020 |
| | | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | | |
| 1 | Congo, The Democratic Republic Of | 24.82 | 39.63 | 35.58 | 97.06 | 94.70 | 93.67 | -10.22% | 43.36% |
| 2 | Ethiopia | 0.07 | 0.72 | 0.66 | 0.28 | 1.72 | 1.73 | -8.77% | 820.63% |
| 3 | Tanzania, United Republic Of | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.49 | 0.24 | 0.24 | 1.28 | 375.00% | 680.50% |
| 4 | Uganda | 0.21 | 0.35 | 0.37 | 0.82 | 0.85 | 0.97 | 4.13% | 76.42% |
| 5 | United Kingdom | 0.02 | 0.25 | 0.34 | 0.09 | 0.60 | 0.89 | 34.75% | 1346.17% |
| 6 | United Arab Emirates | 0.12 | 0.36 | 0.24 | 0.48 | 0.87 | 0.63 | -34.16% | 96.21% |
| 7 | United States | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.08 | 0.25 | 0.07 | 0.20 | 176.01% | 19.79% |
| 8 | Zambia | 0.03 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.00% | 38.30% |
| 9 | Belgium | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.11 | 32.03% | 1388.76% |
| 10 | South Sudan | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.04 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.10 | -40.51% | 0.00% |
| Rest of the World | | 0.16 | 0.30 | 0.11 | 0.64 | 0.72 | 0.29 | -63.68% | -33.12% |
| Total | | 25.57 | 41.85 | 37.99 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | -9.24% | 48.55% |

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Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in July 2021

| Rank | Country | Imports (c.i.f.) | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | Value: US \$ Million | | | Shares in percentage | | | Percentage Increase/Decrease | |
| | | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | | July2021/June2021 | July2021/July2020 |
| | | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | | |
| 1 | China | 47.60 | 74.43 | 76.94 | 17.56 | 22.25 | 22.41 | 3.37% | 61.64% |
| 2 | Tanzania, United Republic Of | 26.34 | 28.33 | 47.85 | 9.72 | 8.47 | 13.94 | 68.90% | 81.67% |
| 3 | India | 21.30 | 21.23 | 30.67 | 7.86 | 6.35 | 8.93 | 44.49% | 43.98% |
| 4 | Kenya | 19.08 | 20.26 | 23.90 | 7.04 | 6.06 | 6.96 | 17.97% | 25.25% |
| 5 | United Arab Emirates | 14.90 | 27.17 | 23.01 | 5.50 | 8.12 | 6.70 | -15.32% | 54.42% |
| 6 | Germany | 9.40 | 16.97 | 11.46 | 3.47 | 5.07 | 3.34 | -32.47% | 21.92% |
| 7 | South Africa | 2.99 | 17.85 | 10.66 | 1.10 | 5.34 | 3.11 | -40.27% | 256.84% |
| 9 | Switzerland | 9.88 | 9.06 | 8.85 | 3.64 | 2.71 | 2.58 | -2.35% | -10.44% |
| 10 | Saudi Arabia | 3.48 | 4.70 | 7.80 | 1.28 | 1.41 | 2.27 | 65.71% | 124.09% |
| 11 | Turkey | 5.87 | 5.60 | 7.11 | 2.16 | 1.67 | 2.07 | 26.91% | 21.21% |
| Rest of the World | | 110.22 | 108.93 | 95.06 | 40.66 | 32.56 | 27.69 | -12.73% | -13.75% |
| Total | | 271.06 | 334.54 | 343.31 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 2.62% | 26.66% |

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

| Via/Year | Imports | | | Exports | | | Re-exports | | |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | | 2020 | 2021 | |
| | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ | July (R) | June ¹ | July ¹ |
| Air | 112.02 | 67.53 | 62.00 | 88.85 | 41.74 | 34.59 | 0.19 | 1.56 | 1.15 |
| Land | 159.04 | 267.01 | 281.32 | 32.75 | 59.57 | 44.37 | 25.38 | 40.29 | 36.84 |
| Total | 271.06 | 334.54 | 343.31 | 121.60 | 101.30 | 78.96 | 25.57 | 41.85 | 37.99 |

Note: (R) – Revised

¹Preliminary figures

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