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In the second quarter of 2026, Rwanda’s total trade was valued at US$ 2334.96 million, representing an increase of 23.35% from the first quarter of 2026. Domestic exports were estimated at US$ 548.98 million, imports at US$ 1,606.39 million, and re-exports at US$ 179.59 million.

During this quarter, Rwanda’s total domestic exports increased by 58.65% compared to the second quarter of 2025 (US$ 548.98 million and US$ 346.04 million respectively). However, they increased by 49.65% compared to the first quarter of 2026.

Simultaneously, the country’s total imports increased by 28.78% in the second quarter of 2026 relative to the same quarter of 2025 and increased by 20.58% from the first quarter of 2026. Similarly, re-exports increased by 26.11% in the second quarter of 2026 over the same quarter of 2025 and decreased by 7.35% compared to the first quarter of 2026.

The top five export destinations were China, United Arab Emirates, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Netherlands and the United States.

TABLE: Top destinations of exports of Rwanda in Q2, 2026 (US$ million)

Year and Period	**2026Q2**
China	142.38
United Arab Emirates	107.96
Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)	89.51
Netherlands	26.50
United States	24.22

United Kingdom	14.00
Burundi	13.39
India	12.80
Thailand	12.11
Germany	10.66
Singapore	9.59
Belgium	8.91

In terms of re-exports, the top five destinations were the Democratic Republic of Congo, Kenya, Ethiopia, United Arab Emirates and Burundi. Democratic Republic of Congo accounted for 88.10% of Rwanda’s total re-exports.

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The most re-exported commodity group was “Food and live animals” (US$ 71.34 million) followed by “Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials” (US$ 40.66 million). China, Tanzania, India, Kenya and Uganda were the top five countries of origin for Rwanda’s imports measured on a CIF (Cost, Insurance, and Freight) basis.

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