

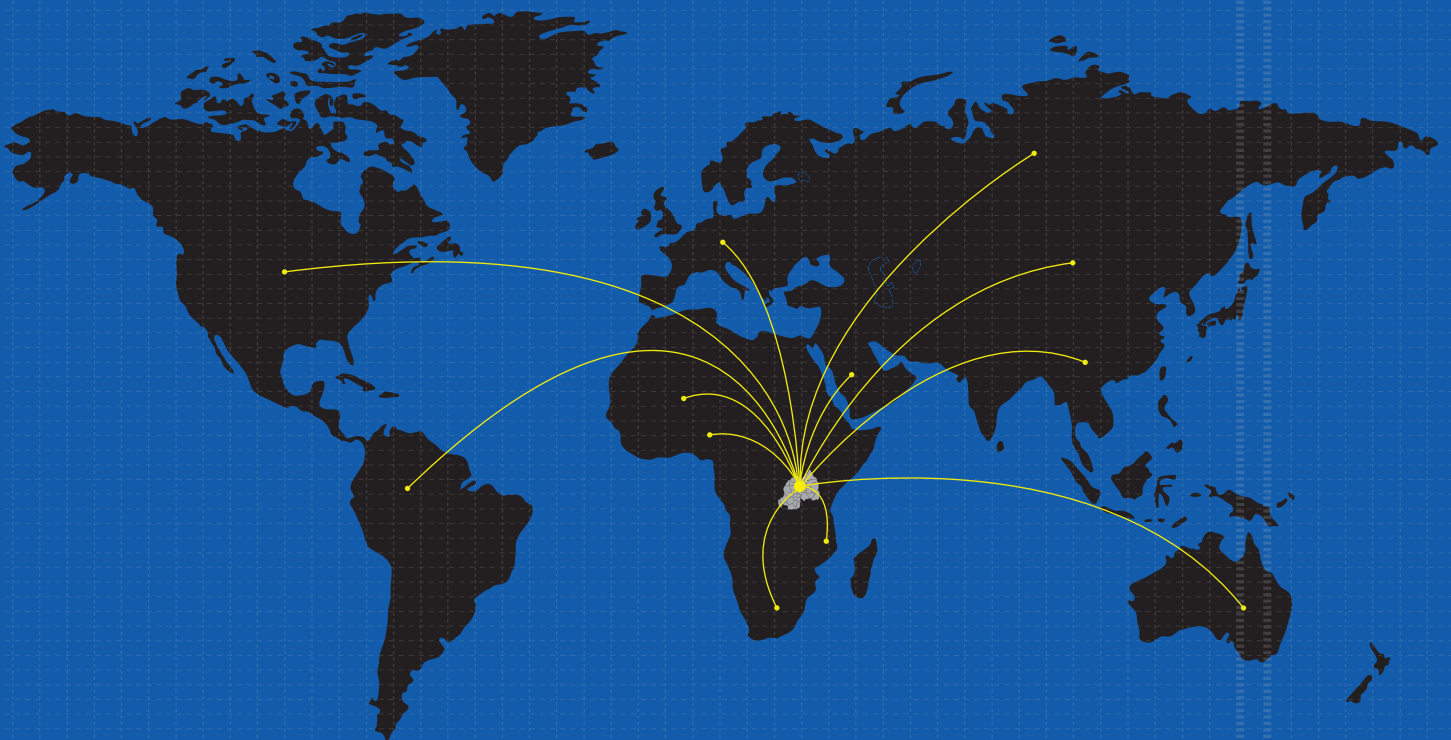


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Formal External Trade in Goods

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Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods of April 2026

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 291.88 million in April 2026; an increase of 27.77 percent compared to the previous month of March 2026. Year-to-year, the formal trade in goods deficit increased by 25.74 percent on the deficit of April 2025.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

FLOW	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2025	2026		2025	2026		Apr2026/ Mar2026	Apr2026/Apr2025
	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹		
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	148.51	226.29	224.70	28.07	33.23	30.31	-0.71%	51.30%
Domestic exports	105.42	151.84	165.86	19.92	22.30	22.37	9.23%	57.33%
Re-exports	43.10	74.45	58.84	8.14	10.93	7.94	-20.97%	36.53%
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	380.65	454.73	516.57	71.93	66.77	69.69	13.60%	35.71%
Total External Trade (A+B)	529.16	681.02	741.27	100.00	100.00	100.00	8.85%	40.08%
Trade Balance (A-B)	-232.13	-228.44	-291.88				27.77%	25.74%

Note: 1 – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In April 2026 domestic exports value increased by 9.23 per cent compared to March 2026 and by 57.33 percent compared to April 2025. Table 2 shows the values of exported goods in April 2026 by SITC sections.

Table 2. Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in April 2026

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2025	2026		2025	2026		Apr2026/Mar2026	Apr2026/Apr2025
	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	28.39	27.44	33.31	26.93	18.07	20.09	21.41%	17.35%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.76	1.00	1.08	0.72	0.66	0.65	7.71%	42.76%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	21.35	67.38	85.40	20.26	44.38	51.49	26.75%	299.93%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.25	0.17	0.30	0.24	0.11	0.18	75.87%	18.65%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	7.29	13.20	10.90	6.91	8.69	6.57	-17.38%	49.67%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1.71	17.09	3.15	1.63	11.26	1.90	-81.55%	83.99%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	12.00	15.92	15.17	11.38	10.49	9.15	-4.75%	26.40%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	1.96	0.78	0.82	1.86	0.52	0.50	4.84%	-57.93%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2.41	1.72	3.63	2.29	1.14	2.19	110.52%	50.52%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	29.30	7.12	12.08	27.79	4.69	7.29	69.68%	-58.76%
Total Domestic Exports	105.42	151.84	165.86	100.00	100.00	100.00	9.23%	57.33%

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Imports

In April 2026 imports value increased by 13.6 per cent compared to March 2026 and by 35.71 per cent compared to April 2025. Table 3 shows the value of imported goods in April 2026 by SITC sections.

Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in April 2026

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2025	2026		2025	2026		Apr2026/Mar2026	Apr2026/Apr2025
	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	71.33	77.43	98.30	18.74	17.03	19.03	26.96%	37.82%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	8.55	13.03	12.36	2.25	2.87	2.39	-5.13%	44.58%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	14.27	14.29	19.78	3.75	3.14	3.83	38.40%	38.64%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	52.08	61.97	57.00	13.68	13.63	11.03	-8.02%	9.44%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	26.59	20.25	29.45	6.99	4.45	5.70	45.42%	10.75%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	49.90	46.46	62.74	13.11	10.22	12.15	35.03%	25.74%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	54.29	77.61	90.22	14.26	17.07	17.46	16.25%	66.19%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	73.87	109.45	100.78	19.41	24.07	19.51	-7.92%	36.43%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	27.79	27.65	32.78	7.30	6.08	6.35	18.54%	17.94%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	1.99	6.59	13.16	0.52	1.45	2.55	99.60%	561.23%
Total Imports	380.65	454.73	516.57	100.00	100.00	100.00	13.60%	35.71%

Note: 1 – Revised

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Re-exports

In April 2026, re-export values have decreased by 20.97 percent compared to March 2026 and increased by 36.53 per cent compared to April 2025.

Table 4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in April 2026

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2025	2026		2025	2026		Apr2026/ Mar2026	Apr2026/ Apr2025
	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	15.77	23.77	23.19	36.59	31.93	39.41	-2.46%	47.04%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	3.67	6.77	5.34	8.51	9.09	9.08	-21.03%	45.70%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	0.96	1.10	0.93	2.22	1.48	1.58	-15.39%	-2.67%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	8.60	28.82	13.58	19.95	38.71	23.07	-52.90%	57.92%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1.78	0.65	1.41	4.13	0.87	2.40	117.61%	-20.69%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	4.13	3.51	4.40	9.58	4.71	7.48	25.50%	6.57%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	4.03	4.45	4.73	9.36	5.98	8.04	6.32%	17.37%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	2.68	3.23	3.45	6.22	4.33	5.87	7.03%	28.77%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1.48	2.15	1.70	3.43	2.89	2.89	-20.85%	15.01%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	0.01	0.00	0.10	0.02	0.00	0.17	0.00%	1443.99%
Total Re-exports	43.10	74.45	58.84	100.00	100.00	100.00	-20.97%	36.53%

Note: [®] – Revised

¹Preliminary figures

Trading Partners

Table 5. Main Trading Partner Countries in April 2026 – Exports

Rank	Country	Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2025	2026		2025	2026		Apr2026/ Mar2026	Apr2026/ Apr2025
		Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹		
1	China	10.37	48.03	47.74	9.84	31.63	28.79	-0.01	3.60
2	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	21.23	47.78	28.28	20.14	31.46	17.05	-0.41	0.33
3	United Arab Emirates	32.75	6.04	18.21	31.07	3.98	10.98	2.02	-0.44
4	Netherlands	1.53	5.59	10.20	1.45	3.68	6.15	0.82	5.68
5	United States	3.24	5.06	8.60	3.07	3.33	5.18	0.70	1.65
6	Singapore	0.45	1.04	5.49	0.42	0.69	3.31	4.26	11.25
7	India	1.00	5.00	5.32	0.95	3.29	3.21	0.06	4.31
8	United Kingdom	2.79	3.85	4.76	2.65	2.54	2.87	0.23	0.70
9	Burundi	1.43	2.27	4.11	1.36	1.49	2.48	0.81	1.87
10	Pakistan	3.24	3.44	3.27	3.08	2.27	1.97	-0.05	0.01
	Rest of the World	27.37	23.74	29.87	25.97	15.63	18.01	0.26	0.09
	Total	105.42	151.84	165.86	100.00	100.00	100.00	9.23%	57.33%

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Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in April 2026–Re-exports

Rank	Country	Re-Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2025		2026	2025		2026	Apr2026/ Mar2026	Apr2026/ Apr2025
		Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹		
1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	41.29	60.24	53.11	95.81	80.91	90.26	-11.84%	28.62%
2	Ethiopia	0.50	1.22	1.36	1.16	1.64	0.82	10.79%	171.21%
3	United Arab Emirates	0.36	0.79	0.68	0.84	1.06	0.41	-13.63%	86.95%
4	Burundi	0.08	0.72	0.64	0.19	0.96	0.38	-11.15%	669.82%
5	France	0.05	0.09	0.23	0.12	0.12	0.14	171.03%	366.16%
6	Congo	0.00	0.11	0.15	0.00	0.14	0.09	37.74%	9636.73%
7	Greece	0.06	0.15	0.13	0.13	0.20	0.08	-13.51%	126.28%
8	South Sudan	0.07	0.06	0.13	0.17	0.08	0.08	121.71%	78.04%
9	Tanzania, United Republic Of	0.03	0.25	0.10	0.07	0.33	0.06	-61.23%	214.32%
10	Turkey	0.08	0.14	0.08	0.19	0.19	0.05	-42.94%	-2.12%
	Rest of the World	0.56	10.69	2.24	1.30	14.36	1.35	-79.06%	298.41%
	Total	43.10	74.45	58.84	100.00	100.00	100.00	-20.97%	36.53%

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Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in April 2026

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2025		2026	2025		2026	Apr2026/ Mar2026	Apr2026/ Apr2025
		Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹	Apr(R)	Mar ¹	Apr ¹		
1	China	79.35	123.66	140.86	20.85	27.19	27.27	13.91%	77.53%
2	India	43.45	52.37	75.14	11.42	11.52	14.55	43.48%	72.93%
3	Tanzania, United Republic Of	42.72	34.99	58.55	11.22	7.69	11.33	67.35%	37.04%
4	Uganda	19.53	29.28	35.43	5.13	6.44	6.86	20.99%	81.39%
5	Kenya	24.56	28.74	34.56	6.45	6.32	6.69	20.28%	392.67%
6	Malaysia	6.94	17.22	19.25	1.82	3.79	3.73	11.76%	177.46%
7	United Arab Emirates	21.95	51.82	19.21	5.77	11.39	3.72	-62.92%	-12.47%
8	United States	8.00	5.37	11.39	2.10	1.18	2.21	112.06%	42.48%
9	Pakistan	5.59	8.88	10.17	1.47	1.95	1.97	14.62%	81.95%
10	Germany	6.16	5.93	9.71	1.62	1.30	1.88	63.73%	57.70%
	Rest of the World	122.40	96.48	102.29	32.16	21.22	19.80	6.03%	-16.43%
	Total	380.65	454.73	516.57	100.00	100.00	100.00	13.60%	35.71%

Note: (R) – Revised

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

	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2025		2026	2025		2026	2025		2026
	Apr (R)	1-Mar	1-Apr	Apr (R)	1-Mar	1-Apr	Apr (R)	1-Mar	1-Apr
Air	37.51	30.19	50.06	33.94	34.12	43.20	1.11	12.85	2.61
Land	343.14	424.54	466.52	71.48	117.72	122.66	41.98	61.60	56.23
Total	380.65	454.73	516.57	105.42	151.84	165.86	43.10	74.45	58.84

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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

Mar: March

Apr: April