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## SAMOA BUREAU OF STATISTICS

### MERCHANDISE TRADE September 2016 quarter

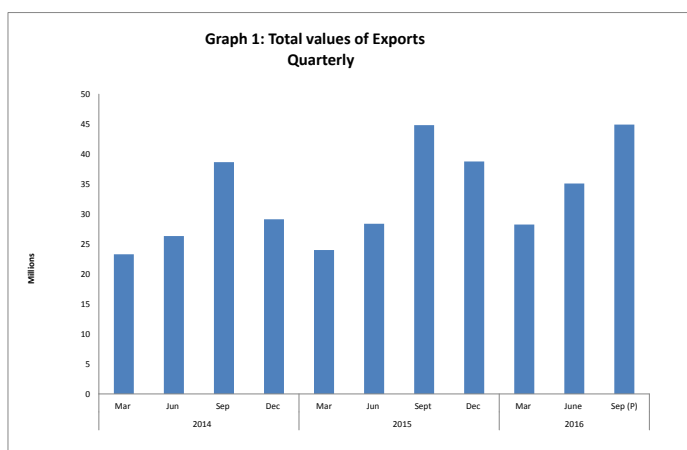
#### Highlights of the quarter

- ❖ Exports value rose 28.0 percent to \$44.9 million from the June 2016 quarter
- ❖ Imports value decreased 1.1 percent to \$224.4 million from the June 2016 quarter.
- ❖ There was a trade deficit of \$179.5 million.

#### Overview

#### Value of Exports

In the September 2016 quarter, exports were valued at \$44.9 million. This value was 28.0 percent and 0.2 percent higher than the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter (July-September) of 2015 respectively. Mainly responsible for the current increase were higher values of fish and petroleum oils exports. (See Table 1,2,3 and Graph 1).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending September 2016 showed a 16.4 percent increase in the total value of exports when compared with the four quarters ending September 2015.

#### Top export commodities<sup>1</sup>

In the September 2016 quarter, fish exports remained the top commodities exported, valued at \$15.0 million, represented 33.4 percent of total exports value. This value was 48.0 percent and 4.8 percent higher than the previous quarter and the same quarter last year respectively.

Petroleum oils<sup>2</sup> other than crude oil exports followed with its value increasing to \$9.4 million from \$7.8 million in the previous quarter, contributing 21.0 percent of total exports value. In comparison with the September 2015 quarter, the current value of petroleum oils decreased 11.1 percent.

Ignition wiring sets, other wiring sets for vehicles, aircraft exports was third valued at \$8.8 million, contributing 19.7 percent of total exports value, decreasing 0.7 percent from the previous quarter but 3.5 percent higher than the same quarter of 2015.

Fruit juices exports came fourth, valued at \$2.1 million, representing 4.8 percent of total exports value, decreasing 16.7 percent and 41.5 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2015 respectively.

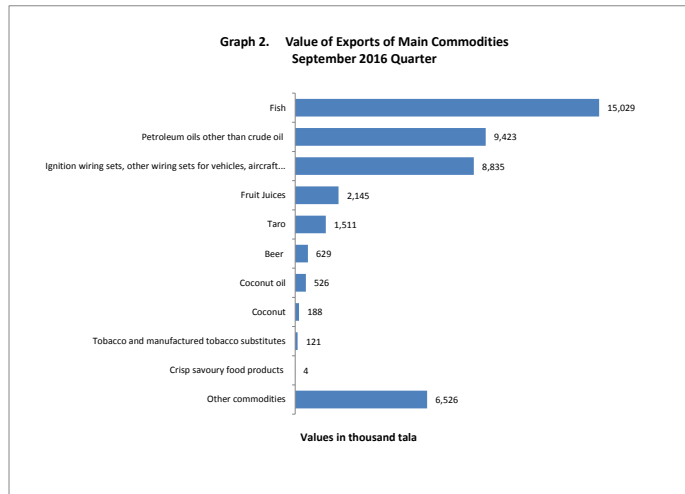
Taro exports increased 55.5 percent (to \$1.5 million) from the previous quarter, representing 3.4 percent of total exports value. In comparison with the same quarter of 2015, the current value of taro exports decreased 7.5 percent.

Beer and coconut oil exports were decreased from the previous quarter, valued at \$629 thousand and \$526 thousand respectively while tobacco and coconuts exports were increased with total values of \$188 thousand and \$121 thousand respectively. Relatively lower value recorded for crisp savoury food products while

<sup>1</sup> Includes re-exports

<sup>2</sup> Re-exports of fuel for airlines and shipping vessels

other export commodities were valued at \$6.5 million, representing 14.5 percent of total exports value. (See Table 2, 3 and graph 2).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

### Country of Destination for Exports

Australia maintained the largest export market in the September 2016 quarter with its value increasing to \$16.9 million from \$12.8 million in the previous quarter, representing 37.7 percent of total exports value. In comparison with corresponding quarter of 2015, the current value of exports to Australia increased 15.1 percent; mainly driven by machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof commodity group exports.

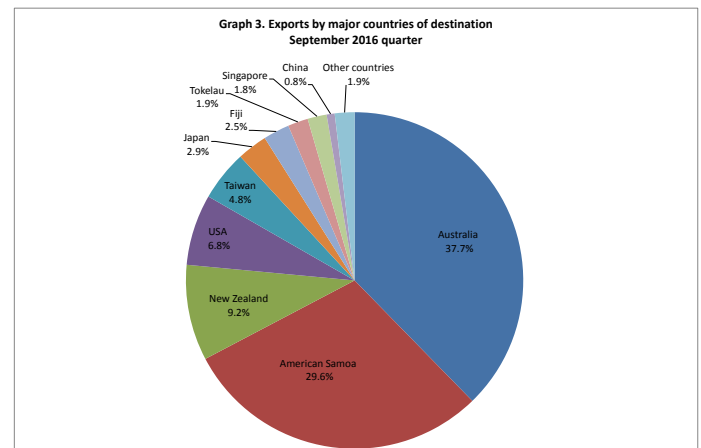
Exports to American Samoa had a total value of \$13.3 million, accounting for 29.6 percent of total exports value, increasing 65.6 percent from the previous quarter and 19.0 percent from the same quarter last year; mainly driven by live animals and animal products exports.

Exports to New Zealand were valued at \$4.1 million, accounting for 9.2 percent of total exports value, decreasing 3.7 percent from the previous quarter and 25.9 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2015.

Exports to USA increased 30.5 percent (to \$3.1 million) from the previous quarter, accounting for 6.8 percent of total exports value. In comparison with same quarter of 2015, the current value of exports to USA decreased 11.9 percent.

Exports to Taiwan, Tokelau and Singapore were also increased from the previous quarter, representing 4.8 percent, 1.9 percent and 1.8 percent of total exports value respectively. Exports to Japan, Fiji and China were decreased from the previous quarter, accounting for 2.9 percent, 2.5 percent and 0.8 percent of total

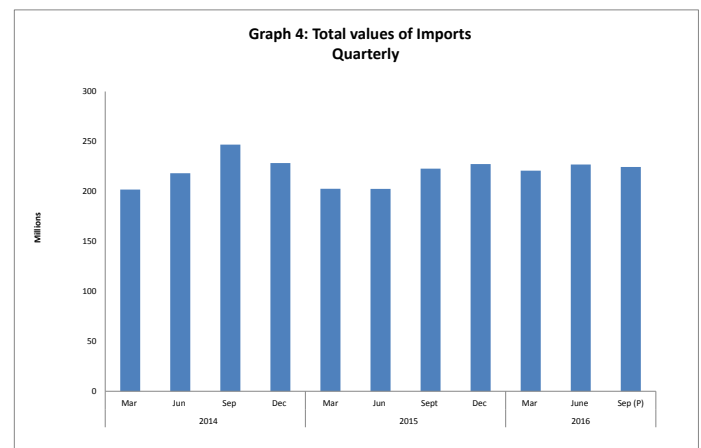
exports value respectively while other countries of destination represented 1.9 percent of total exports value. (See Table 4 and Graph 3).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

### Value of Imports

In the September 2016 quarter, imports were valued at \$224.4 million. This value was 1.1 percent lower than the previous quarter but 0.7 percent higher than the corresponding quarter (July-September) of 2015. (See Table 1 and Graph 4).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending September 2016 showed an increase of 5.0 percent in the total value of imports compared with the four quarters ending September 2015.

### Composition of Imports

Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof imports became the top commodity groups imported in the September 2016 quarter despite the decrease in its value (to \$29.1 million) from the previous quarter, accounting for 13.0 percent of total imports value. In comparison with the September 2015 quarter, the current value of machinery &

mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof increased 2.5 percent.

Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco imports recorded a total value of \$26.6 million, accounting for 11.9 percent of total imports value, increasing 12.7 percent and 10.6 percent from the previous quarter and the same quarter of 2015 respectively.

Imports of mineral products had a total value of \$25.8 million, accounting for 11.5 percent of total imports value, decreasing 32.8 percent from the previous quarter and 37.1 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2015.

Live animals; animals products imports recorded a total value of \$25.7 million, accounting for 11.5 percent of total imports value, decreasing 7.1 percent from the previous quarter but 25.0 percent higher than the same quarter of 2015.

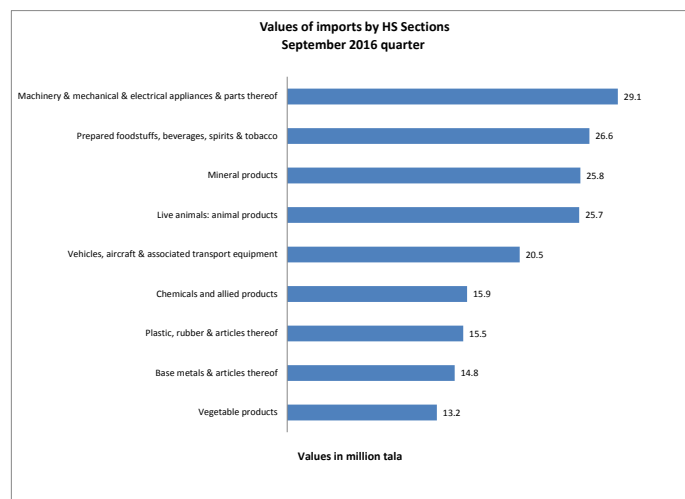
Imports of vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment had a total of value of \$20.5 million, accounting for 9.1 percent of total imports value, increasing 26.3 percent and 59.4 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2015 respectively.

Chemicals and allied products imports valued \$15.8 million, accounting for 7.1 percent of total imports value, increasing 10.8 percent and 12.0 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2015 respectively.

Plastic, rubber & articles thereof imports had a total value of \$15.5 million, representing 6.9 percent of total imports value, increasing 31.8 percent and 32.4 percent from the previous quarter and the same quarter last year respectively.

Imports of base metal and articles thereof products were valued at \$14.8 million, accounting for 6.6 percent of total imports value, decreasing 18.7 percent from the previous quarter and 3.9 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2015.

Vegetable products imports increased 27.4 percent (to \$13.2 million) from the previous quarter, accounting for 5.9 percent of total imports value while the remaining 13 HS Sections<sup>3</sup> accounted for less than 5.0 percent each with a combined total of \$37.2 million, representing 16.6 percent of total imports. (See Table 5 and Graph 5).



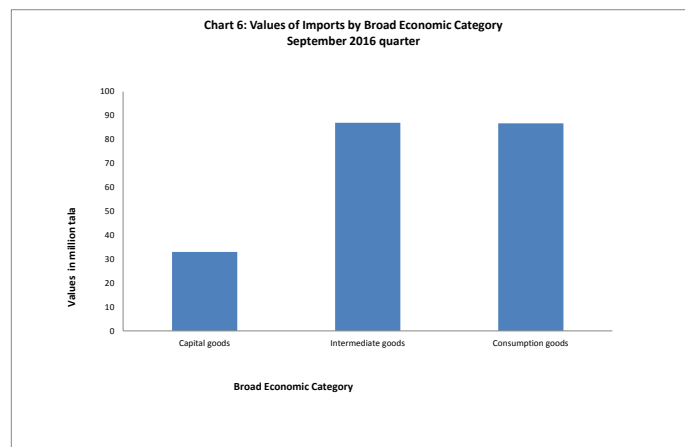
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### **Imports by Broad Economic Categories**

For the three main broad economic categories in the September 2016 quarter, capital goods were valued at \$33.0 million, accounting for 14.7 percent of total imports value, increasing 5.1 percent from the previous quarter.

Intermediate goods were valued at \$87.0 million, accounting for 38.8 percent of total imports value, decreasing 5.5 percent from the previous quarter.

Consumption goods were valued at \$86.8 million, accounting for 38.7 percent of total imports value, increasing 5.7 percent from the previous quarter. (See Table 6 and Graph 6)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

### **Major Source Markets of Imports**

New Zealand continued to be the leading source markets of imports in the September 2016 quarter, contributing 26.3 percent (\$59.0 million) of total imports value, decreasing 5.2 percent and 15.4 percent from the previous quarter and the same quarter last year respectively.

Imports from China had a total value of \$31.9 million, accounting for 14.2 percent of total

<sup>3</sup> Includes all other HS Sections that contributed less than 5 percent each to total imports value

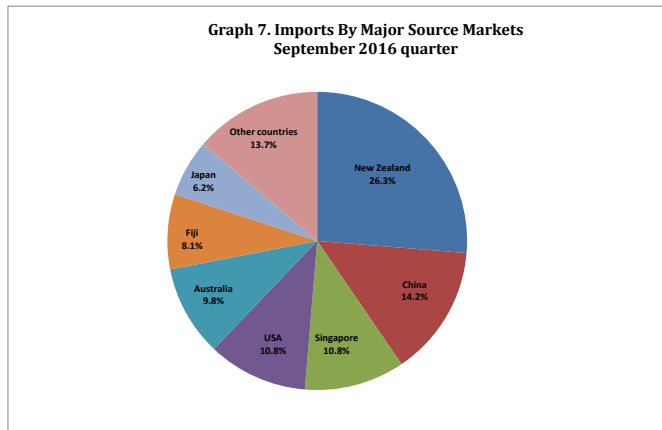
imports value, increasing 46.6 percent from the previous quarter and 32.0 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2015.

Imports from Singapore and USA accounted for 10.8 percent each of total imports value. Imports from Singapore decreased 33.7 percent and 35.9 percent from the previous quarter and the same quarter last year respectively while imports from USA declined 2.6 percent from the previous quarter but increased 20.3 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2015.

Imports from Australia decreased 11.6 percent (to \$22.1 million) from the previous quarter, accounting for 9.8 percent of total imports value. In comparison with the corresponding quarter of 2015, the current value of imports from Australia decreased 1.0 percent.

Fiji accounted for 8.1 percent (\$18.3 million) of total imports, increasing 3.3 percent from the previous quarter and 18.7 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2015.

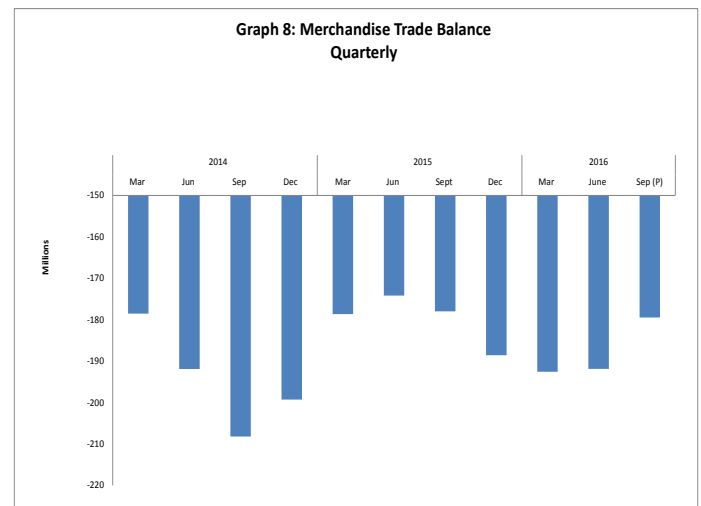
Imports from Japan accounted for 6.2 percent (\$13.9 million) of total imports, increasing 57.3 percent and 33.4 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2015 respectively. All other countries of imports accounted for less than 5.0 percent each with a combined total of 13.7 percent. (See Table 7 and Graph 7).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

### **Merchandise Trade Balance**

In the September 2016 quarter, the value of imports (\$224.4 million) exceeded that of exports (\$44.9 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$179.5 million. (See Table 1 and Graph 8).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached tables provide the user with more detailed information.

The December 2016 quarter Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on March 31<sup>st</sup> 2017.

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## **Technical Notes**

The main source of imports and exports data comes from the administrative document, a completed customs form (Single Administrative data) which is required to be filled in by importers and exporters or customs agents when clearing merchandise inward and outward through the Ministry for Revenue (Custom Department)

## **Definitions**

September 2016 quarter: (July, August, September 2016)

Capital goods: are produced assets that are used repeatedly or continuously, for longer than one year, in industrial production processes. Examples are machinery, trucks, and aircraft.

cif: is the cost of goods, including insurance and freight to Samoa.

Consumption goods: are goods used (without further transformation in industrial production processes) by households, government, or non-profit institutions serving households.

Domestic Exports: are goods of domestic origin exported from Samoa to another country. Exports in this release are valued fob and are shown in Samoan tala.

Re-exports: are exports of foreign goods which were previously recorded as Samoa's imports.

fob: is free on board (the value of goods at Samoa ports before export).

Imports: are goods imported into Samoa. Imports in this release are valued at cif and are shown in Samoan tala.

Intermediate goods: are goods used up, or transformed in, industrial production processes.

Merchandise trade: covers exports or imports of goods that alter the nation's stock of material resources.

Provisional: statistics for the latest three months are provisional, to allow late data and amendments to be included.

Trade balance: is calculated by deducting imports (cif) from exports (fob). These two valuations are not entirely comparable, because the cif valuation includes insurance and freight to Samoa, while the fob valuation excludes insurance and freight from Samoa.

Trade deficit: occurs when the value of imports is more than the value of exports.

Trade surplus: occurs when the value of exports is more than the value of imports.

**Table 1**

**Merchandise Trade Summary**  
**Amount in thousand tala**

<b>Period</b>		<b>EXPORTS (fob) (a)</b>	<b>Imports (cif) (b)</b>	<b>Trade Balance (a-b)</b>
<b>2011</b>		153,111	805,752	-652,641
<b>2012</b>		176,428	791,974	-615,546
<b>2013</b>		144,103	851,292	-707,189
<b>2014</b>		117,400	895,326	-777,926
<b>2015 (P)</b>		136,018	855,390	-719,372
<b>Three months ended</b>				
<b>2014</b>	<b>Mar</b>	23,289	201,821	-178,532
	<b>Jun</b>	26,333	218,223	-191,890
	<b>Sep</b>	38,656	246,873	-208,217
	<b>Dec</b>	29,123	228,409	-199,286
<b>2015</b>	<b>Mar</b>	24,003	202,664	-178,660
	<b>Jun</b>	28,393	202,557	-174,164
	<b>Sept</b>	44,840	222,818	-177,979
	<b>Dec</b>	38,782	227,350	-188,569
<b>2016</b>	<b>Mar</b>	28,256	220,835	-192,579
	<b>June</b>	35,098	226,981	-191,883
	<b>Sep (P)</b>	44,936	224,418	-179,482
<b>Monthly</b>				
<b>2015</b>	January	6,858	70,658	-63,801
	February	7,532	60,788	-53,256
	March	9,614	71,217	-61,603
	April	10,530	62,472	-51,942
	May	7,157	65,575	-58,418
	June	10,706	74,510	-63,803
	July	16,417	87,728	-71,312
	August	13,677	58,382	-44,704
	September	14,745	76,708	-61,963
	October	14,507	70,753	-56,246
	November	13,140	79,546	-66,407
	December	11,135	77,051	-65,916
<b>2016</b>	January	11,069	74,690	-63,622
	February	8,550	75,475	-66,925
	March	8,637	70,670	-62,033
	April	8,837	62,167	-53,330
	May	13,864	94,359	-80,495
	June	12,397	70,454	-58,057
	July (P)	14,810	72,763	-57,953
	August (P)	13,398	68,101	-54,703
	September (P)	16,728	83,555	-66,827

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b. Imports are valued cif (cost, including insurance and freight to Samoa)

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(P) : Provisional figures

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Table 2.

Exports of main commodities<sup>(1)</sup>  
Amount in thousand tala (SAT. 000)

Commodity	Annually				Quarterly							
					2015				2016			
	2012	2013	2014	2015 (P)	March	June	Sept	Dec	March	June	Sept (P)	% of Total
Fish	18,189	10,740	5,762	30,935	1,627	6,547	14,345	8,416	8,657	10,153	15,029	33.4
Ignition wiring sets, other wiring sets for vehicles, aircraft	81,923	64,527	44,631	37,487	8,848	7,667	8,536	12,436	6,871	8,899	8,835	19.7
Petroleum oils other than crude oil	40,542	34,524	39,402	34,379	7,695	7,888	10,594	8,202	5,612	7,781	9,423	21.0
Fruit Juices	1,612	3,494	3,386	6,978	549	1,023	3,667	1,740	1,770	2,574	2,145	4.8
Taro	861	1,427	2,475	5,335	1,183	1,002	1,633	1,517	1,473	971	1,511	3.4
Beer	5,979	11,394	5,820	5,914	1,293	1,036	1,276	2,309	451	692	629	1.4
Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	6,871	1,552	846	563	106	181	143	134	199	117	121	0.3
Coconut oil	7,800	1,414	3,457	2,654	1,095	960	586	14	157	1,097	526	1.2
Crisp savoury food products	325	231	108	144	10	39	81	14	22	16	4	0.0
Coconut	813	1,762	1,046	251	110	90	41	11	125	184	188	0.4
Other commodities	11,513	13,040	10,467	11,377	1,488	1,961	3,938	3,990	2,918	2,614	6,526	14.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>176,428</b>	<b>144,103</b>	<b>117,400</b>	<b>136,018</b>	<b>24,003</b>	<b>28,393</b>	<b>44,840</b>	<b>38,782</b>	<b>28,256</b>	<b>35,098</b>	<b>44,936</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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Table 3.

**Exports By HS Sections**  
**Amount in thousand tala (000)**

Section	Section description	Annually				Quarterly							
		2012	2013	2014	2015 (P)	2015				2016			
						March	June	Sep	Dec	March	June	Sept (P)	% of Total
I	Animals and animal products	18,189	11,442	5,842	31,183	1,631	6,614	14,350	8,589	8,697	10,153	15,042	33.5
II	Vegetable products	2,511	3,836	4,357	8,761	1,554	1,261	3,124	2,821	2,504	1,366	1,790	4.0
III	Animal or vegetable fats	8,829	1,486	4,017	2,794	1,097	1,092	591	15	163	1,101	531	1.2
IV	Prepared foodstuff, beverages and tobacco	16,000	19,083	12,410	16,294	2,508	2,654	6,276	4,856	3,079	3,683	3,627	8.1
V	Mineral products	40,563	35,466	39,434	34,396	7,696	7,888	10,607	8,205	5,799	7,865	9,440	21.0
VI	Chemical products	397	906	130	233	42	97	49	46	42	17	78	0.2
VII	Plastics and rubber	193	454	153	485	112	112	14	248	222	12	29	0.1
VIII	Hides and skins	91	5	0	32	-	0	10	22	7	0	1	0.0
IX	Wood and wood products	66	112	179	271	13	14	21	223	37	125	38	0.1
X	Wood pulp products	13	368	49	231	9	5	13	204	60	16	52	0.1
XI	Textiles and textile articles	346	664	219	122	37	3	39	42	43	24	69	0.2
XII	Footwear, headgear, etc	459	491	430	260	8	111	140	1	127	6	123	0.3
XIII	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, glass, etc	12	17	1	8	1	0	3	4	2	25	28	0.1
XIV	Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones and metals	2,044	114	4	672	113	233	201	126	76	252	77	0.2
XV	Base metals and articles of base metal	2,164	1,749	1,135	735	118	295	107	216	209	58	200	0.4
XVI	Machinery, mechanical and electrical appliances	84,068	66,270	46,082	38,482	8,985	7,761	8,814	12,922	7,023	10,071	13,401	29.8
XVII	Transportation equipment	418	985	1,904	385	49	187	63	87	21	131	178	0.4
XVIII	Instruments - measuring, musical	20	458	652	418	2	32	352	32	10	134	10	0.0
XIX	Arms and ammunition	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XX	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	29	172	298	163	19	2	38	104	115	25	165	0.4
XXI	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	0	0	0	3	-	-	2	1	0	-	42	0.1
XXII	Others	13	27	103	89	9	34	28	19	18	32	15	0.0
<b>Total Exports</b>		<b>176,428</b>	<b>144,103</b>	<b>117,400</b>	<b>136,018</b>	<b>24,003</b>	<b>28,393</b>	<b>44,840</b>	<b>38,782</b>	<b>28,256</b>	<b>35,098</b>	<b>44,936</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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Table 4.

**TOTAL EXPORTS BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES****Amount in thousand (SAT 000) fob**

Country of Destination	Annually			Quarterly							
				2015				2016			
	2013	2014	2015 (P)	March	June	Sep	Dec	March	June	Sept (P)	% of Total
Australia	81,995	67,965	57,224	13,489	12,410	14,713	16,612	9,412	12856	16941	37.7
American Samoa	13,051	7,348	24,943	2,335	5,325	11,165	6,118	6,418	8027	13291	29.6
New Zealand	19,800	22,418	20,293	4,328	4,621	5,580	5,763	3,809	4296	4137	9.2
USA	4,177	4,441	7,262	490	886	3,482	2,404	1,976	2351	3067	6.8
Tokelau	10,377	3,123	3,772	859	1,177	508	1,227	1,483	870	872	1.9
Taiwan	593	489	5,766	427	1,049	2,557	1,732	1,215	1772	2179	4.8
Fiji	3,497	3,551	3,944	1,011	698	1,439	797	1,116	1181	1128	2.5
China	319	16	1,904	302	131	880	591	990	550	345	0.8
Japan	717	325	5,214	-	1,318	1,878	2,019	537	1413	1303	2.9
Singapore	2,871	4,097	2,209	612	313	789	494	264	391	823	1.8
Other countries	6,707	3,628	3,488	150	464	1,848	1,026	1,037	1391	848	1.9
<b>Total Exports</b>	<b>144,103</b>	<b>117,400</b>	<b>136,018</b>	<b>24,003</b>	<b>28,393</b>	<b>44,840</b>	<b>38,782</b>	<b>28,256</b>	<b>35,098</b>	<b>44,936</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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**IMPORTS BY HS SECTIONS**  
**Amount in thousand tala**

**Table 5**

HS Sections	Annually		Quarterly							
			2015				2016			
	2014	2015 (P)	March	June	Sep	Dec	March	June	Sept (P)	% of Total
I Live animals: animal products	87,522	85,447	18,057	24,771	20,586	22,033	18,240	27,702	25,741	11.5
II Vegetable products	36,897	43,073	8,404	11,360	10,677	12,632	11,437	10,354	13,191	5.9
III Animal or vegetable oils & fats	6,592	6,701	2,676	1,491	1,398	1,136	2,094	1,959	1,745	0.8
IV Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco	86,967	95,033	21,454	23,344	24,074	26,161	24,145	23,642	26,635	11.9
V Mineral products	233,158	145,707	25,530	39,129	41,108	39,939	38,463	38,474	25,838	11.5
VI Chemicals and allied products	53,754	56,130	15,699	12,707	14,161	13,564	14,013	14,311	15,859	7.1
VII Plastic, rubber & articles thereof	44,800	55,762	12,717	13,527	11,720	17,798	13,124	11,774	15,515	6.9
VIII Raw hides, skins, leather articles & travel goods	862	972	265	294	157	256	307	144	226	0.1
IX Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material	30,635	34,974	5,886	13,266	7,187	8,635	7,875	6,678	8,030	3.6
X Wood pulp, paper & paperboard & articles thereof	17,501	17,669	4,034	4,141	4,727	4,767	4,937	3,770	4,306	1.9
XI Textiles & textile articles	20,567	22,120	4,692	4,382	6,073	6,973	5,011	4,655	6,460	2.9
XII Footwear, headgear, umbrellas & parts thereof	3,178	3,283	509	707	1,185	882	740	760	828	0.4
XIII Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass & ceramic products	15,497	18,643	4,917	3,380	5,183	5,163	3,997	4,331	4,512	2.0
XIV Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones & metals	1,841	434	51	86	180	117	57	356	114	0.1
XV Base metals & articles thereof	63,211	66,212	20,526	12,865	15,359	17,462	19,645	18,162	14,763	6.6
XVI Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof	100,300	99,057	23,342	20,843	28,432	26,441	34,432	29,746	29,142	13.0
XVII Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment	49,648	53,555	18,490	8,296	12,855	13,914	13,279	16,229	20,494	9.1
XVIII Photographic & optical, medical & surgical goods & clocks	9,792	15,536	5,287	2,317	6,155	1,776	1,383	4,144	1,982	0.9
XIX Arms and ammunition, parts & accessories thereof	109	133	19	80	1	34	116	34	11	0.0
XX Miscellaneous manufactured articles	32,400	34,828	10,092	5,541	11,576	7,619	7,521	9,705	8,994	4.0
XXI Works of art, collectors pieces & antiques	17	36	3	9	10	14	2	1	4	0.0
XXII Others	78	82	13	22	14	33	19	48	28	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>895,326</b>	<b>855,390</b>	<b>202,664</b>	<b>202,557</b>	<b>222,818</b>	<b>227,350</b>	<b>220,835</b>	<b>226,981</b>	<b>224,418</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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Table 6

**IMPORTS CLASSIFIED BY BEC**

[SAT\$(000)]

Economic Category	QUARTERLY			MONTHLY								
	2016			2016								
	March	June	Sep(P)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July(P)	Aug(P)	Sep(P)
<b>1* Food and Beverage</b>												
11* Primary												
111* Mainly for industry	1,314	867	1,611	350	470	494	96	663	108	405	594	612
112* Mainly for household consumption	5,943	7,567	7,162	1,703	2,167	2,073	2,568	2,627	2,372	2,431	2,567	2,164
12* Processed												
121* Mainly for industry	8,150	7,642	9,320	3,250	2,774	2,126	3,020	2,919	1,703	3,105	3,044	3,172
122* Mainly for household consumption	38,211	44,953	47,444	12,532	12,816	12,863	13,131	18,177	13,645	17,436	12,829	17,179
<b>2* Industrial Supplies Not Elsewhere specified</b>												
21* Primary	3,099	2,194	2,137	942	1,093	1,065	469	1,180	545	620	831	686
22* Processed	56,698	52,785	51,784	18,983	21,695	16,019	17,113	20,362	15,310	17,894	14,712	19,179
<b>3* Fuels and Lubricants</b>												
31* Primary	24	65	56	8		16	18	43	3	19	19	18
32* Processed												
321* Motor spirit	15,821	15,906	8,867	5,202	4,958	5,661	-	8,170	7,736	-	5,450	3,417
322* Other	16,573	17,145	13,429	5,211	6,252	5,111	689	7,977	8,479	869	5,634	6,926
<b>Capital Goods (Except Transport Equipment) and parts and Accessories thereof</b>												
41* Capital goods (except transport equipmet)	16,514	22,469	23,011	6,382	5,117	5,016	9,316	7,607	5,547	10,897	3,234	8,880
42* Parts and accessories	13,302	7,280	5,029	2,565	7,644	3,094	2,134	3,094	2,052	1,711	1,376	1,942
<b>Transport Equipment and Parts and Accessories thereof</b>												
51* Passenger motor cars	4,905	5,500	8,768	2,455	717	1,732	1,413	2,504	1,583	2,894	3,391	2,483
521* Industrial	6,611	8,907	9,976	3,111	326	3,175	1,730	5,054	2,123	3,083	3,394	3,500
522* Non-industrial	424	285	331	270	110	44	4	112	168	114	173	43
53* Parts and accessories	3,667	4,078	3,641	1,329	1,246	1,093	1,604	1,115	1,359	1,346	994	1,301
<b>6* Consumer Goods Not Elsewhere Specified</b>												
61* Durable	3,599	4,778	4,860	1,066	999	1,533	1,185	2,281	1,313	1,287	1,271	2,303
62* Semi-durable	13,509	12,485	14,008	5,240	3,319	4,950	3,608	5,303	3,574	4,437	4,888	4,682
63* Non-durable	12,432	12,071	12,976	4,091	3,749	4,591	4,069	5,169	2,833	4,208	3,699	5,068
<b>7* Goods Not Elsewhere Specified</b>	39	2	8	1	22	16	-	0	2	8	0	1
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS of which</b>	<b>220,835</b>	<b>226,981</b>	<b>224,418</b>	<b>74,690</b>	<b>75,475</b>	<b>70,670</b>	<b>62,167</b>	<b>94,359</b>	<b>70,454</b>	<b>72,763</b>	<b>68,101</b>	<b>83,555</b>
Capital goods	23,126	31,376	32,988	9,492	5,443	8,191	11,046	12,661	7,670	13,980	6,628	12,380
Intermediate goods	102,827	92,057	87,007	32,638	41,173	29,016	25,143	37,355	29,559	25,968	27,204	33,835
Consumption goods	74,118	82,139	86,781	24,902	23,161	26,055	24,565	33,670	23,905	29,913	25,428	31,439

**Note:**

The BEC serves as a means for converting retained import data into end use categories that are meaningful within the framework of the System of National Accounts; namely capital goods, intermediate goods and consumption goods. Except categories 321\* and 51\* which are used extensively both for industry and for household consumption and category 7\* which includes a range of commodities, the correspondence of the 16 remaining BEC basic categories with the basic classes of goods in the SNA are:

- 1 Capital Goods: sum of categories 41\* and 521\*
- 2 Intermediate Goods: sum of categories 111\*, 121\*, 21\*, 22\*, 31\*, 322\*, 42\* and 53\*
- 3 Consumption Goods: sum of categories 112\*, 122\*, 522\*, 61\*, 62\* and 63\*

\* The asterisk follows each reference to a BEC classification as a device to avoid confusion with the numbered sections, divisions and groups of the standard international trade classification, revision 4.

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Table 7

**TOTAL IMPORTS BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES****Amount in thousand (SAT 000) cif**

Country of Export	Annually			Quarterly							
				2015				2016			
	2013	2014	2015 (P)	March	June	Sep	Dec	Mar	June	Sep(P)	
New Zealand	254,361	250,392	253,903	62,560	57,304	69,752	64,287	55,774	62,239	59,003	26.3
Singapore	193,942	218,448	132,528	24,593	35,185	37,926	34,824	34,316	36,658	24,314	10.8
China	69,325	93,819	103,716	32,046	23,900	24,138	23,632	31,739	21,724	31,850	14.2
Australia	61,611	79,086	90,829	20,810	24,047	22,280	23,692	22,507	24,964	22,061	9.8
United States of America	105,248	90,139	82,683	15,514	24,409	20,120	22,640	20,370	24,866	24,211	10.8
Fiji	48,843	48,140	58,180	10,859	13,685	15,398	18,238	15,543	17,694	18,271	8.1
Japan	31,275	32,724	42,362	8,856	9,094	10,395	14,018	9,522	8,814	13,867	6.2
Malaysia	13,274	9,993	22,851	11,219	2,115	2,807	6,710	8,980	4,336	2,731	1.2
Thailand	19,974	20,249	19,355	4,929	3,025	6,005	5,396	5,502	4,628	7,575	3.4
Indonesia	13,420	13,445	14,388	4,123	3,453	2,758	4,055	3,539	3,760	3,506	1.6
Hong Kong	14,711	12,474	11,089	2,363	1,717	3,159	3,850	2,405	4,441	6,635	3.0
Viet Nam	1,774	2,222	5,890	248	559	3,036	2,047	1,194	1,183	871	0.4
Korea Democratic	1,713	2,505	1,607	689	226	519	172	959	1,102	1,732	0.8
India	3,364	2,975	1,080	400	120	209	351	866	417	977	0.4
Taiwan	2,258	2,567	3,128	368	908	1,092	759	746	1,747	1,172	0.5
Korea Republic	2,289	1,845	830	268	292	64	205	523	363	119	0.1
Papua New Guinea	2,395	1,362	1,208	208	258	412	330	257	151	223	0.1
Tonga	954	1,143	643	169	96	149	229	206	1,876	53	0.0
Philippines	2,404	848	788	293	140	166	189	102	561	592	0.3
Other countries	8,158	10,949	8,332	2,150	2,024	2,432	1,726	5,784	5,456	4,655	2.1
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>851,292</b>	<b>895,326</b>	<b>855,390</b>	<b>202,664</b>	<b>202,557</b>	<b>222,818</b>	<b>227,350</b>	<b>220,835</b>	<b>226,981</b>	<b>224,418</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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