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SAMOA BUREAU OF STATISTICS

MERCHANDISE TRADE September 2018 quarter

Highlights of the quarter

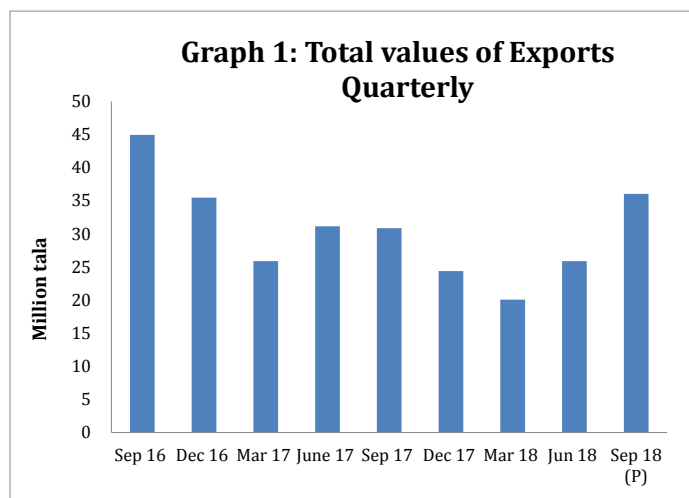
(September 2018 quarter compared with the June 2018 quarter)

- Exports value rose 39.3 percent \$36 million.
- Imports value rose 9.9 percent to \$250 million.
- There was a trade deficit of \$226 million.

Overview

Value of Exports

In the September 2018 quarter, exports were valued at \$36 million, increasing 39.3 percent from the previous quarter. Fish was the main driver for the current increase in exports (up \$8.9 million). In comparison with the corresponding quarter of 2017, the current value of exports increased 16.8 percent. (See Table 1 and Graph 1).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending September 2018 showed a 13.8 percent decrease in the total value of exports when compared with the four quarters ending September 2017.

Principal export commodities¹

In the June 2018 quarter, **Fish** exports became the top commodities exported, valued at \$14.5 million (40.2 percent of total exports value). This value was three times higher than the previous quarter and 24.9 percent higher than the corresponding quarter of 2017.

Petroleum oils² exports increased 2 percent (to \$7.7 million) from the previous quarter, accounting for 21.4 percent of total exports value. When compared with the corresponding quarter of 2017, the current value of petroleum oils exports decreased 9.9 percent.

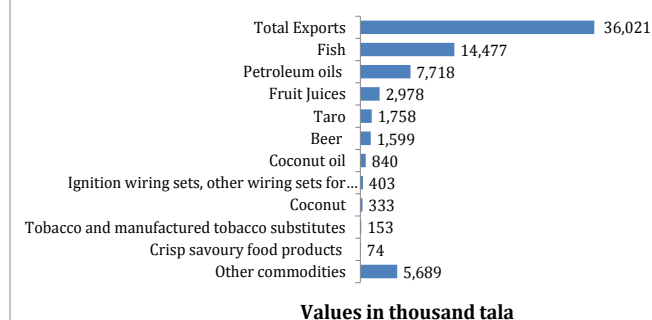
Fruit juices exports were valued at \$3.0 million; accounting for 8.3 percent of total exports value. This value was 51.5 percent higher than the previous quarter and four times higher than the corresponding quarter of 2017 with nonu juice exports the main driver for the current increase.

Exports of **coconut oil, ignition wiring sets and crisp savoury food products** were also increased, valued at \$840 thousand, \$403 thousand and \$74 thousand respectively while exports of **taro, beer, coconut and tobacco** were decreased from the previous quarter, valued at \$1.8 million, \$1.6 million, \$333 thousand and \$153 thousand respectively. Exports of all other commodities recorded a combined total of \$5.7 million. (See Table 2 and Graph 2).

¹ Includes re-export commodities

² Fuel re-exports for shipping vessels and airlines

**Graph 2. Value of Principal Exports Commodities
September 2018 Quarter**



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Country of Destination for Exports

In the September 2018 quarter, **American Samoa** remained the largest export markets, valued at \$13.5 million (37.5 percent of total exports value). This value was three times higher than the last quarter and 22.1 percent higher than the corresponding quarter of 2017.

Exports to **New Zealand** increased 10.5 percent from the previous quarter, accounting for 14.6 percent (\$5.3 million) of total exports value. When compared with the same quarter of 2017, the current value of exports to New Zealand decreased 3.4 percent.

Exports to **Tokelau** were increased to \$3.5 million from \$3.1 million in the previous quarter, accounting for 9.7 percent of total exports value. In comparison with the corresponding quarter of 2017, the current value of exports to Tokelau increased 37.5 percent.

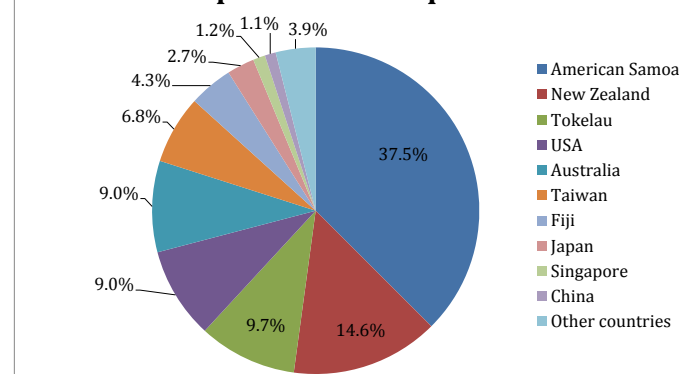
Exports to **USA** and **Australia** accounting for 9.0 percent each shares of total exports value. Exports to USA decreased 19.3 percent from the previous quarter but three times higher than the corresponding quarter of 2017. Exports to Australia decreased 4.0 and 41.7 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2017 respectively.

Exports to **Taiwan** were valued at \$2.4 million, accounting for 6.8 percent of total exports value, increasing 14.5 percent from the previous quarter and 37.6 percent higher from the same quarter of 2017.

Exports to **Fiji**, **Singapore** and **China** were also increased from the previous quarter, accounting for 4.3 percent, 1.2 percent and 1.1 percent of total export values respectively while exports to

Japan were decreased, accounting for 2.7 percent of total export values respectively. Other countries of destination for exports accounted for 3.9 percent of total exports value. (See Table 4 and Graph 3)

**Graph 3: Exports by Major Countries of Destination
September 2018 quarter**

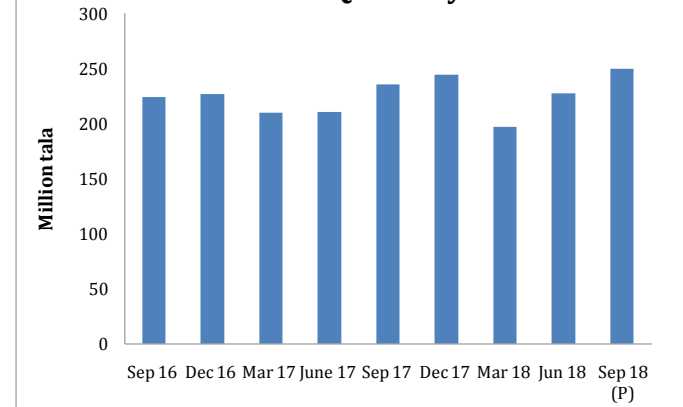


Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Value of Imports

In the September 2018 quarter, imports were valued at \$250.1 million. This value was 9.9 percent and 6.2 percent higher than the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2017 respectively. (See Table 1 and Graph 4).

**Graph 4: Total values of Imports
Quarterly**



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending September 2018 showed a 4.1 percent increase in the total value of imports when compared with the four quarters ending September 2017.

Principal Imports Commodities

In the September 2018 quarter, **mineral products** maintained the largest share of all imports commodity groups, accounting for 22.2

percent (\$55.5 million) of total imports value, increasing 16.7 percent and 68.5 percent from the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2017 respectively.

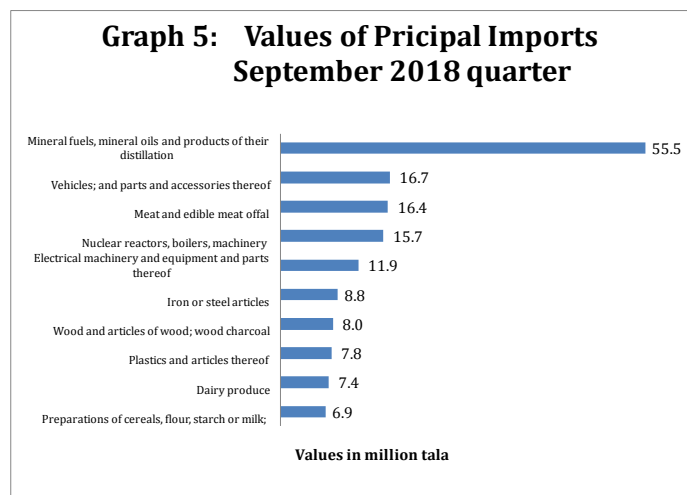
Imports of **vehicles and parts and accessories thereof** had a total value of \$16.7 million (6.7 percent of total imports value), decreasing 2.7 percent from the June 2018 quarter but 3.5 percent higher when compared with the September 2017 quarter.

Imports of **meat and edible meat offal** were valued at \$16.4 million (6.6 percent each of total imports value). This value was 9.9 percent higher than the June 2018 quarter but 14.3 percent lower when compared with the September 2017 quarter.

Imports of **nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery** were valued at \$15.7 million (6.3 percent of total imports value), increasing 29.5 percent from the previous quarter and 13.5 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2017.

Imports of **electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof** were valued at \$11.9 million (4.8 percent of total imports value), decreasing 20.1 percent from the previous quarter and 35.1 percent from the September 2017 quarter.

Imports of **iron or steel articles, wood and articles of wood, plastics and articles thereof, and dairy produce** were increased from the previous quarter, valued at \$8.8 million, \$8.0 million, \$7.8 million and \$7.4 million respectively while imports of **preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk** were valued at \$6.9 million, decreasing 6.6 percent from the previous quarter. Imports of other commodities had a combined total value of \$94.93 million. (See Table 4 and Graph 5).



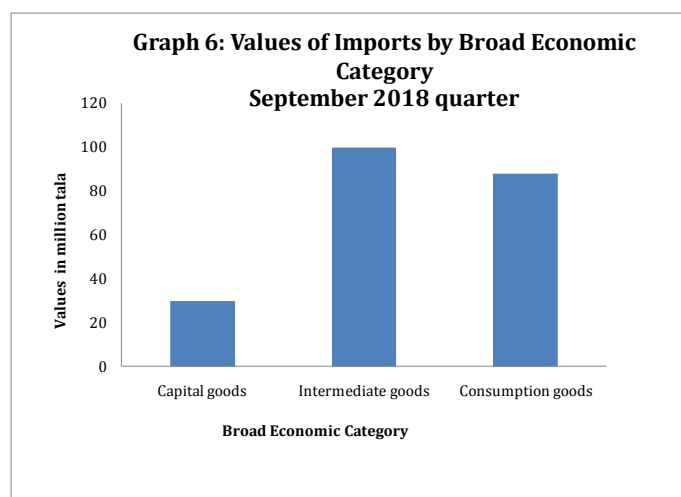
Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Imports by Broad Economic Categories

For the three main broad economic categories in the September 2018 quarter, capital goods were valued at \$29.9 million (12.0 percent of total imports value), increasing 8.1 percent from the previous quarter.

Intermediate goods were valued at \$99.5 million (39.8 percent of total imports value), increasing 6.8 percent from the previous quarter.

Consumption goods were valued at \$87.8 million (35.1 percent of total value), increasing 12.9 percent from the previous quarter. (See Table 5 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 2018 quarter, accounting for 26.9 percent of total imports value, increasing 2.1 percent from the previous quarter and 14.4 percent from the same quarter of 2017.

Imports from **Singapore** accounted for 21.2 percent of total imports value, increasing 15.3 percent from the previous quarter and 64.3 percent from the corresponding quarter of 2017.

Imports from **USA** accounted for 9.9 percent of total imports value, increasing 37.0 percent from the previous quarter but 3.9 percent lower than the same quarter of 2017.

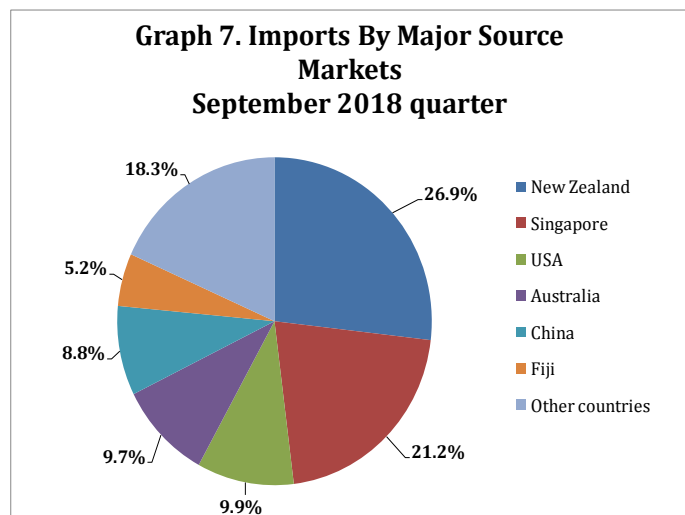
Imports from **Australia** accounted for 9.7 percent of total imports value, increasing 7.5 percent from the previous quarter but decreasing 16.0 when compared with the corresponding quarter of 2017.

Imports from **China** accounted for 8.8 percent of total imports value, increasing 43.3 percent from

the previous quarter but 17.5 percent lower than the same quarter of 2017.

Imports from **Fiji** accounted for 5.2 percent of total imports value, increasing 2.7 percent from the previous quarter but 11.3 percent lower than the corresponding quarter of 2017.

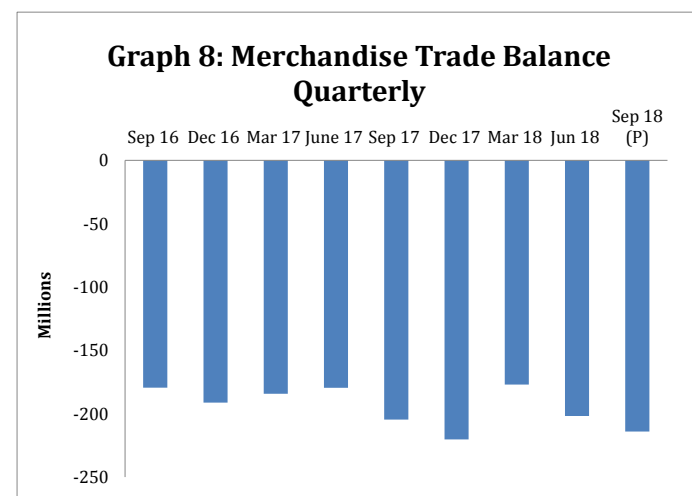
All other countries of imports accounted for less than 5.0 percent each shares of total imports had a combined total of 18.3 percent. (See Table 6 and Graph 7).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Merchandise Trade Balance

In the September 2018 quarter, the total value of imports (\$250.1 million) exceeded that of exports (\$36 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$214.1 million). (See Table 1 and Graph 8).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached tables provide the user with more detailed information.

The December 2018 quarter Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on March 27th 2019.

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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) 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

June 2018 quarter: (April, May, June 2018)

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.

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

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.

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

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

Period		EXPORTS (fob) (a)	Imports (cif) (b)	Trade Balance (a-b)
2013		144,103	851,292	-707,189
2014		117,773	895,326	-777,553
2015		136,018	855,390	-719,372
2016		143,755	899,005	-755,250
2017 (P)		112,215	900,997	-788,782
Three months ended				
Mar 15		24,003	202,664	-178,660
Jun 15		28,393	202,557	-174,164
Sept 15		44,840	222,818	-177,979
Dec 15		38,782	227,350	-188,569
Mar 16		28,256	220,835	-192,579
June 16		35,098	226,981	-191,883
Sep 16		44,936	224,418	-179,482
Dec 16		35,466	226,772	-191,306
Mar 17		25,871	210,126	-184,255
June 17		31,138	210,684	-179,546
Sep 17		30,834	235,475	-204,641
Dec 17		24,372	244,712	-220,340
Mar 18		20,050	197,020	-176,969
Jun 18		25,858	227,652	-201,794
Sep 18 (P)		36,021	250,123	-214,103
Monthly				
2016	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	14,810	72,763	-57,953
	August	13,398	68,101	-54,703
	September	16,728	83,555	-66,827
	October	13,807	67,043	-53,237
	November	11,224	76,588	-65,364
	December	10,435	83,140	-72,705
2017	January	7,690	69,698	-62,008
	February	10,181	61,294	-51,113
	March	8,000	79,134	-71,134
	April	7,589	66,272	-58,684
	May	9,191	72,040	-62,849
	June	14,358	72,371	-58,013
	July	8,952	70,292	-61,340
	August	11,450	80,356	-68,905
	September	10,432	84,827	-74,395
	October	8,390	80,446	-72,056
	November	7,482	93,942	-86,460
	December	8,501	70,324	-61,824
2018	January	6,181	74,546	-68,365
	February	5,784	68,186	-62,402
	March	8,085	54,288	-46,203
	April	7,988	84,084	-76,096
	May	10,060	79,576	-69,517
	June	7,810	63,992	-56,182
	July (P)	11,542	79,733	-68,191
	August(P)	12,833	92,981	-80,147
	September(P)	11,645	77,409	-77,409

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

All values are in Samoan tala.

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Table 2.

Exports of main commodities⁽¹⁾
Amount in thousand tala (SAT, 000)

Commodity	Annually			Quarterly												Percentage change	
				2016				2017				2018					
	2015	2016	2017(P)	March	June	Sept	Dec	Mar	June	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep (P)	% of Total	Sep18 / Jun18	Sep18 / Sep17
Fish	30,935	43,524	33,259	8,657	10,153	15,029	9,685	3,886	10,680	11,587	7,107	5,944	5,549	14,477	40.2	160.9	24.9
Ignition wiring sets, other wiring sets for vehicles, aircraft...	37,487	38,532	8,078	6,871	8,899	13,228	9,534	5,882	838	1,358	1,772	246	134	403	1.1	201.6	-70.3
Petroleum oils	34,379	30,833	32,317	5,612	7,781	9,423	8,018	7,364	8,289	8,563	8,101	5,721	7,570	7,718	21.4	2.0	-9.9
Fruit Juices	6,978	8,160	4,267	1,770	2,574	2,145	1,672	1,283	1,494	678	812	1,060	1,966	2,978	8.3	51.5	339.2
Taro	5,335	6,315	10,576	1,473	971	1,511	2,360	2,035	3,532	2,779	2,230	1,364	1,769	1,758	4.9	-0.6	-36.7
Beer	5,914	3,694	4,873	451	692	629	1,922	913	1,081	1,245	1,635	1,548	1,651	1,599	4.4	-3.2	28.4
Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	563	592	462	199	117	121	155	135	99	99	129	115	192	153	0.4	-20.2	54.2
Coconut oil	2,654	2,239	2,099	157	1,097	526	458	991	711	240	157	25	103	840	2.3	714.4	250.1
Crisp savoury food products	144	80	341	22	16	4	38	150	43	54	95	78	43	74	0.2	73.3	36.5
Coconut	251	709	1,746	125	184	188	212	421	658	179	488	467	361	333	0.9	-7.9	86.1
Other commodities	11,377	9,077	14,196	2,918	2,614	2,133	1,411	2,811	3,713	4,052	3,620	3,483	6,519	5,689	15.8	-12.7	40.4
Total Exports	136,018	143,755	112,215	28,256	35,098	44,936	35,466	25,871	31,138	30,834	26,144	20,050	25,858	36,021	100.0	39.3	16.8

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Table 3.

Exports by major country of destination
Amount in thousand tala (000)

Country of Destination	Annually		Quarterly										Percentage Change	
			2016		2017				2018					
	2016	2017(P)	Sept	Dec	Mar	June	Sept	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep(P)	% of Total	Sep18 / Jun18	Sep18 / Sep17
Australia	51,623	24,051	16,941	12,414	9,790	5,707	5,587	2,967	1,573	3,391	3,255	9.0	-4.0	-41.7
American Samoa	37,059	29,876	13,291	9,324	3,404	9,070	11,065	6,337	5,261	4,821	13,510	37.5	180.2	22.1
New Zealand	17,181	22,076	4,137	4,939	4,892	6,314	5,456	5,414	4,286	4,770	5,272	14.6	10.5	-3.4
USA	9,592	6,253	3,067	2,198	2,140	2,005	1,029	1,079	1,126	4,036	3,258	9.0	-19.3	216.8
Tokelau	4,236	9,159	872	1,012	1,565	2,599	2,546	2,449	2,814	3,136	3,500	9.7	11.6	37.5
Taiwan	7,576	6,038	2,179	2,410	1,134	1,416	1,776	1,712	1,380	2,133	2,443	6.8	14.5	37.6
Fiji	4,575	4,496	1,128	1,151	1,288	1,176	1,019	1,013	767	849	1,561	4.3	83.9	53.2
China	2,050	1,281	345	164	469	127	276	409	75	238	390	1.1	63.6	41.5
Japan	4,238	4,028	1,303	985	690	1,208	1,082	1,048	1,333	1,087	978	2.7	-9.9	-9.6
Singapore	1,619	978	823	141	122	271	290	295	425	231	434	1.2	87.8	49.9
Other countries	4,006	3,979	848	729	376	1,245	710	1,648	1,011	1,166	1,420	3.9	21.8	100.1
Total Exports	143,755	112,215	44,936	35,466	25,871	31,138	30,834	24,372	20,050	25,858	36,021	100.0	39.3	16.8

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Table 4

PRINCIPAL IMPORTS**Amount in thousand tala**

Commodities	Annually		Quarterly										Percentage Change	
			2016		2017				2018					
	2016	2017 (P)	Sep	Dec	March	June	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep(P)	% of Total	Sep18/ Jun18	Sep 18 / Sep 17
Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation	123,914	144,208	22,500	33,217	35,218	36,167	32,959	39,863	31,425	47,600	55,532	22.2	16.7	68.5
Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof	68,754	65,998	12,673	14,520	18,079	8,170	18,382	21,368	15,718	14,929	11,928	4.8	-20.1	-35.1
Meat and edible meat offal	63,065	68,225	17,083	16,524	15,737	14,605	19,130	18,752	14,150	14,925	16,401	6.6	9.9	-14.3
Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery	51,077	49,175	16,469	11,991	9,765	12,140	13,846	13,424	10,553	12,138	15,713	6.3	29.5	13.5
Vehicles; and parts and accessories thereof	63,897	58,733	20,181	17,167	15,680	9,912	16,103	17,037	13,829	17,125	16,665	6.7	-2.7	3.5
Plastics and articles thereof	43,071	28,833	13,727	8,250	5,838	6,396	9,303	7,296	6,103	6,297	7,797	3.1	23.8	-16.2
Iron or steel articles	35,226	38,253	7,408	5,810	9,896	13,647	8,691	6,018	5,060	8,257	8,791	3.5	6.5	1.1
Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	30,298	30,278	7,961	7,813	8,140	7,891	5,996	8,251	4,738	7,643	8,023	3.2	5.0	33.8
Dairy produce	25,150	27,564	6,738	6,122	7,792	5,419	7,866	6,487	6,836	6,959	7,379	3.0	6.0	-6.2
Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk;	27,436	26,319	7,322	7,272	6,464	5,652	6,544	7,659	6,830	7,434	6,944	2.8	-6.6	6.1
Other commodities	367,117	363,411	92,357	98,087	77,515	90,684	96,655	98,557	81,779	84,345	94,949	38.0	12.6	-1.8
Total Imports	899,005	900,997	224,418	226,772	210,126	210,684	235,475	244,712	197,020	227,652	250,123	100.0	9.9	6.2

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Table 5

IMPORTS CLASSIFIED BY BEC
[SAT\$(000)]

Economic Category	ANNUALLY		QUARTERLY														
	2016	2017(P)	2016				2017				2018						
			March	June	Sep	Dec	Mar	June	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep(P)				
1* Food and Beverage																	
11* Primary																	
111* Mainly for industry	4,566	1,598	1,314	867	1,611	774	589	374	360	274	350	308	360				
112* Mainly for household consumption	27,440	26,631	5,943	7,567	7,162	6,769	6,823	6,089	6,831	6,888	6,762	7,118	7,492				
12* Processed																	
121* Mainly for industry	34,606	34,591	8,150	7,642	9,320	9,493	9,439	7,997	8,619	8,536	7,432	8,748	8,158				
122* Mainly for household consumption	178,616	179,050	38,211	44,953	47,444	48,008	39,752	39,265	50,647	49,385	41,822	44,521	49,898				
2* Industrial Supplies Not Elsewhere specified																	
21* Primary	9,843	7,983	3,099	2,194	2,137	2,413	2,293	1,674	1,934	2,082	1,501	2,097	4,406				
22* Processed	211,264	227,739	56,698	52,785	51,784	49,997	49,865	60,732	60,965	56,177	41,218	47,833	50,774				
3* Fuels and Lubricants																	
31* Primary	223	508	24	65	56	79	58	36	22	392	204	745	606				
32* Processed																	
321* Motor spirit	55,974	67,913	15,821	15,906	8,867	15,380	16,027	17,555	14,647	19,684	15,062	22,358	26,917				
322* Other	64,532	74,644	16,573	17,145	13,429	17,385	19,007	18,416	17,973	19,248	15,851	23,157	25,291				
4* Capital Goods (Except Transport Equipment) and parts and Accessories thereof																	
41* Capital goods (except transport equipmet)	80,312	74,917	16,514	22,469	23,011	18,318	16,307	14,465	22,866	21,279	18,823	18,555	20,542				
42* Parts and accessories	31,407	28,542	13,302	7,280	5,029	5,796	7,036	5,931	6,998	8,577	6,242	6,767	5,573				
5* Transport Equipment and Parts and Accessories thereof																	
51* Passenger motor cars	27,135	25,136	4,905	5,500	8,768	7,962	7,149	3,118	8,392	6,477	5,005	6,679	5,907				
521* Industrial	33,500	29,168	6,611	8,907	9,976	8,006	7,646	6,343	6,034	9,144	7,507	9,100	9,366				
522* Non-industrial	2,620	1,174	424	285	331	1,581	242	247	226	458	278	254	296				
53* Parts and accessories	14,623	17,015	3,667	4,078	3,641	3,236	4,034	3,827	4,139	5,014	3,710	3,506	4,374				
6* Consumer Goods Not Elsewhere Specified																	
61* Durable	17,891	16,741	3,599	4,778	4,860	4,654	2,903	4,037	4,571	5,229	3,722	4,311	5,211				
62* Semi-durable	51,900	39,947	13,509	12,485	14,008	11,898	9,098	9,204	9,175	12,470	8,127	8,522	10,594				
63* Non-durable	52,499	47,605	12,432	12,071	12,976	15,020	11,849	11,307	11,062	13,387	13,398	13,071	14,355				
7* Goods Not Elsewhere Specified	54	97	39	2	8	5	10	64	12	11	5	3	5				
TOTAL IMPORTS	899,005	900,997	220,835	226,981	224,418	226,772	210,126	210,684	235,475	244,712	197,020	227,652	250,123				
of which																	
Capital goods	113,813	104,085	23,126	31,376	32,988	26,323	23,953	20,808	28,900	30,423	26,330	27,655	29,907				
Intermediate goods	371,063	392,619	102,827	92,057	87,007	89,172	92,319	98,988	101,012	100,300	76,509	93,160	99,541				
Consumption goods	330,966	311,148	74,118	82,139	86,781	87,929	70,667	70,150	82,512	87,819	74,108	77,797	87,846				

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*

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

HS - Samoa Customs Tariff (HS2012 applies to June 2012 and later data. HS2007 is used for earlier data.)

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Source Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Data source Customs and PPS establishment survey

Table 6

Imports by main source markets
Amount in thousand tala (000)

Country of Export	Annually		Quarterly										Percentage Change	
			2016		2017				2018					
	2016	2017(P)	Sep	Dec	Mar	June	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep(P)	% of Total	Sep18/Jun18	Sep18 / Sep17
New Zealand	239,876	237,966	59,003	62,861	56,304	56,404	58,715	66,543	53,638	65,784	67,170	26.9	2.1	14.4
Singapore	130,711	149,180	24,314	35,423	37,623	36,791	32,273	42,493	32,490	45,982	53,038	21.2	15.3	64.3
China	107,063	81,607	31,850	21,750	21,641	13,945	26,812	19,209	16,931	15,440	22,120	8.8	43.3	-17.5
Australia	95,104	94,593	22,061	25,572	19,822	25,323	28,820	20,628	22,705	22,506	24,200	9.7	7.5	-16.0
USA	92,621	100,314	24,211	23,174	20,280	22,961	25,895	31,178	21,503	18,159	24,884	9.9	37.0	-3.9
Fiji	67,542	52,437	18,271	16,034	12,083	10,827	14,696	14,831	12,462	12,700	13,041	5.2	2.7	-11.3
Japan	44,649	38,474	13,867	12,446	13,566	5,191	11,147	8,570	5,611	12,660	10,947	4.4	-13.5	-1.8
Malaysia	19,466	7,476	2,731	3,419	2,303	1,477	2,075	1,621	1,604	1,862	1,379	0.6	-26.0	-33.6
Thailand	24,274	21,893	7,575	6,569	4,429	2,310	6,066	9,088	5,197	7,684	5,463	2.2	-28.9	-9.9
Indonesia	13,998	10,407	3,506	3,192	2,633	3,072	2,071	2,631	3,087	2,443	2,835	1.1	16.1	36.9
Hong Kong	20,285	33,544	6,635	6,804	4,844	7,026	12,230	9,444	7,708	9,225	12,327	4.9	33.6	0.8
Viet Nam	4,560	11,894	871	1,312	590	9,839	804	661	663	809	723	0.3	-10.7	-10.1
Korea Democratic	3,996	3,338	1,732	204	1,605	323	668	742	662	1,332	1,063	0.4	-20.3	59.1
India	3,161	2,433	977	900	515	399	887	632	2,069	1,308	856	0.3	-34.5	-3.5
Taiwan	4,932	1,371	1,172	1,267	651	389	127	205	564	670	915	0.4	36.6	623.4
Korea Republic	1,437	17,088	119	433	6,344	3,272	3,138	4,334	7,056	2,974	3,133	1.3	5.4	-0.2
Papua New Guinea	823	664	223	192	212	93	175	184	72	11	120	0.0	1009.8	-31.4
Tonga	2,248	187	53	112	54	29	1	102	3	102	146	0.1	42.8	13592.4
Philippines	2,282	1,137	592	1,027	310	332	246	249	105	134	164	0.1	22.5	-33.5
Other countries	19,976	34,995	4,655	4,081	4,317	10,682	8,629	11,366	2,891	5,867	5,601	2.2	-4.5	-35.1
Total Imports	899,005	900,997	224,418	226,772	210,126	210,684	235,475	244,712	197,020	227,652	250,123	100.0	9.9	6.2

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