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## **SAMOA BUREAU OF STATISTICS**

## MERCHANDISE TRADE March 2015 quarter

#### **Key findings**

For the March 2015 quarter compared with the December 2014 quarter:

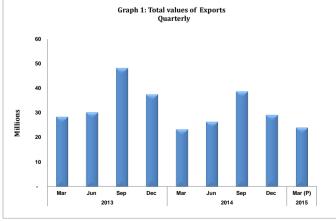
- Exports value fell 17.6 percent to \$24 million.
- Imports value fell 11.3 percent to \$202.6 million
- Trade deficit fell 10.3 percent to \$178.7 million

#### **Overview**

### Value of Exports

The total value of exports in the March 2015 quarter decreased 17.6 percent (\$5.1 million) to \$24 million from the December 2014 quarter. Mainly responsible for the fall in exports value were lower values of beer exports (down \$1.5 million) and fish exports (down \$1.0 million). In comparison with the March 2014 quarter, the current value of exports increased 3.1 percent.

At \$24.0 million, domestic exports were valued at \$15.4 million and re-exports were valued at \$8.5 million. (See table 1 and graph 1)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending March 2015 showed a decrease of 15 percent in the total value of exports compared to the four quarters ending March 2014.

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

Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets for vehicles exports continued to be the largest share of all commodities exported in the March 2015 quarter despite the decrease in its value, contributing 36.9 percent of total exports (\$8.8 million). This value was 7.0 percent lower than the December 2014 quarter but 4.2 higher than the corresponding quarter of 2014.

Exports of petroleum oils<sup>2</sup> other than crude oil followed with a total of \$7.7 million (32.1 percent of total exports), decreasing 10.4 percent and 5.5 percent from the December 2014 quarter and the March 2014 quarter respectively.

Fish exports was third, representing 6.8 percent (\$1.6 million) of total value, decreasing 38.9 percent from the December 2014 quarter, mainly driven by lower value of exports to New Zealand. In comparison with the March quarter 2014, the current value of fish exports was seven times higher.

Beer exports was fourth with a total of \$1.3 million (5.4 percent of total exports) which decreased by 53.3 percent from the December 2014 quarter. The fall was mainly due to lower values of beer exported to American Samoa. In comparison with the March 2014 quarter, the current value of beer exports increased 39.2 percent.

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

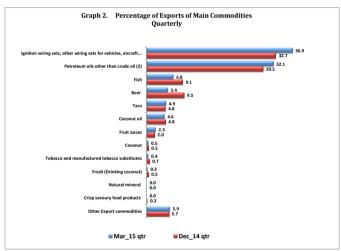
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes re-export commodities

Taro exports accounted for 4.9 percent, decreasing 14.6 percent from the December 2014 quarter but four times higher than its value in the March 2014 quarter.

Coconut oil exports accounted for 4.6 percent, decreasing 21.4 percent from the December 2014 quarter but 75.4 percent higher than the March 2014 quarter.

Fruit juices exports accounted for 2.3 percent of total value, decreasing 7.8 percent and 49.4 percent from the December 2014 quarter and the March 2014 quarter respectively.

Coconut, tobacco and fresh drinking coconut exports accounted for 0.5 percent, 0.4 percent and 0.3 percent respectively. Relatively lower shares were recorded for mineral water and crisp savoury food products while other commodities accounted for 5.9 percent share. (See table 2 and graph 2)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

#### **Country of Destination for Exports**

Australia maintained the largest export market in the March 2015 quarter with its value decreasing to \$13.5 million (56.2 percent of all exports) from \$15.7 million in the December 2014 quarter. In comparison with the March 2014 quarter, the current value of exports to Australia increased 4.0 percent.

New Zealand followed with a total of \$4.3 million (18.0 percent of total). This value was 28 percent lower than the December 2014 quarter but 60.6 percent higher than the March 2014 quarter.

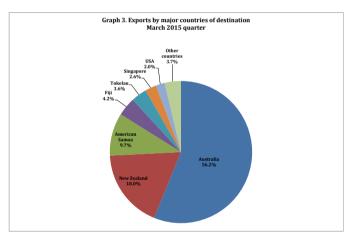
American Samoa was third with a total of \$2.3 million (9.7 percent of total), decreasing 35.6

percent from the December 2014 quarter but twice its value in the March 2014 quarter. The fall over the December 2014 quarter was mainly due to lower values of beer and fish exports.

Exports to Fiji contributed 4.2 percent (\$1.0 million) of total exports, decreasing 19.1 percent from the December 2014 quarter but 76.3 percent higher when compared with the March 2014 quarter.

Exports to Tokelau represented 3.6 percent (\$859 thousand) of the total exports, decreasing 10.8 percent from the December 2014 quarter but rose 12.3 percent when compared to the March 2014 quarter.

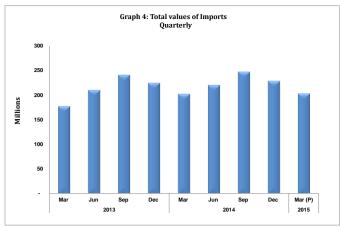
Exports to Singapore and USA accounted for 2.6 percent and 2.0 percent respectively while other countries of destination accounted for less than 1 percent each with a combined total of 3.7 percent. (See table 4 and graph 3)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

#### Value of Imports

The total value of imports for the March 2015 quarter decreased 11.3 percent (\$25.5 million) when compared to the December 2014 quarter. Largely responsible for the decrease was lower values of mineral products (down \$27.2 million) imported. In comparison with the March 2014 quarter, the current value of imports increased by a slight 0.4 percent (\$842 thousand). (See table 1 and graph 4)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The four quarters ending March 2015 showed an increase of 2.3 percent (\$19.9 million) in the total value of imports compared to the four quarters ending March 2014.

### **Composition of Imports**

Mineral products maintained the largest share of all commodity groups imported in the March 2015 quarter, despite the decrease in its value, contributing 12.6 percent (\$25.5 million) of total imports. This value was 51.5 percent and 61.8 percent lower than the December 2014 and the March 2014 quarter respectively.

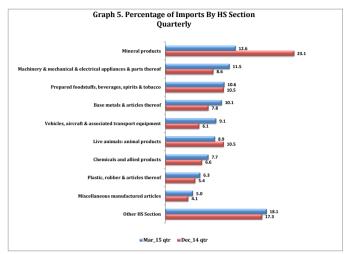
Imports of machinery and mechanical, electrical appliances and parts thereof accounted for 11.5 percent (\$23.3 million) of total value, increasing 18.5 percent from the December 2014 quarter and 14.9 percent from the March 2014 quarter. Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco imports accounted for 10.6 percent of total value (\$21.5 million), decreasing 10.4 percent from the December 2014 quarter but 13.7 percent higher than corresponding quarter of 2014.

Base metals & articles thereof imports accounted for 10.1 percent (\$20.5 million) of total value, increasing 15.8 percent from the December 2014 quarter and 45.5 percent from the March 2014 quarter.

Imports of vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment contributed 9.1 percent (\$18.5 million) of total value, increasing 32.6 percent from the December 2014 quarter and twice its vale in the March 2014 quarter.

Imports of live animals and animal products, chemicals and allied products and plastic, rubber & articles thereof accounted for 8.9 percent, 7.7

percent and 6.3 percent respectively while miscellaneous manufactured articles accounted for 5.0 percent. The remaining HS Sections accounted for less than 5 percent each with a combined total of 18.1percent. (See table 5 and graph 5)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

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

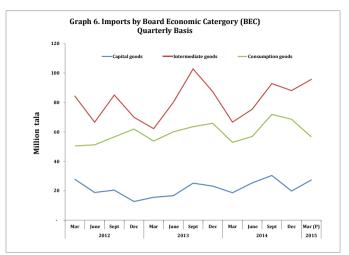
Imports of capital goods contributed 13.4 percent (\$27.3 million) of total imports, increasing 37.9 percent from the December 2014 quarter and 46.4 percent from the March 2014 quarter. At \$27.3 million, machinery and plant goods were valued at \$14 million, increasing 15.6 percent from the December 2014 quarter while transport equipments were valued at \$13.3 million which increased by 73 percent from the December 2014 quarter.

Imports of intermediate goods also increased contributing 47.2 percent of total imports, mainly driven by higher values of processed industrial supplies (up \$8.0 million). In comparison with the March 2014 quarter, the current value of intermediate goods increased 43.5 percent.

Consumption goods imports recorded a total value of \$56.6 million, decreasing 17.4 percent from the December 2014 quarter but increased 7.0 percent when compared with the March 2014 quarter. The decrease was mainly due to lower values of food and beverages, processed, mainly for home consumption (down \$6.1 million).

In other categories of goods, passenger motor cars imports, petrol & avgas imports and military & other goods fell 24.3 percent, 58.7

percent and 78.6 percent respectively from the December 2014 quarter. (See table 6 and graph 6)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

## **Major Source Markets of Imports**

By major source markets of imports, New Zealand continued to be the leading source market of imports in the March 2015 quarter with its value increasing to \$62.6 million (30.9 percent of all imports) from \$59.5 million in the December 2014 quarter. When compared to the March 2014 quarter, the current value increased 20.6 percent.

Imports from China had a total value of \$32.0 million (15.8 percent of total imports), increasing 28.6 percent from the December 2014 quarter and twice its value in the March 2014 quarter.

Singapore contributed 12.1 percent of total imports (\$24.6 million). This value was 50.9 percent and 61.8 percent lower than the December 2014 quarter and the March 2014 quarter respectively.

Australia contributed 10.3 percent (\$20.8 million) of total imports, decreasing 3.9 percent from the December 2014 but rose 22.6 percent when compared with the March 2014 quarter.

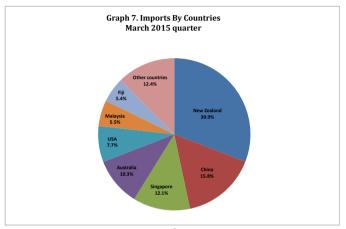
USA represented 7.7 percent (\$15.5 million) of total imports, decreasing 36.0 percent from the December 2014 and 26.1 percent from the March 2014 quarter.

Malaysia represented 5.5 percent of total value imports (\$11.2 million). This value was four times higher than the December 2014 quarter and 5 times higher than the March 2014 quarter.

The increase was led by the import of a cruise ship valued at \$8.7 million.

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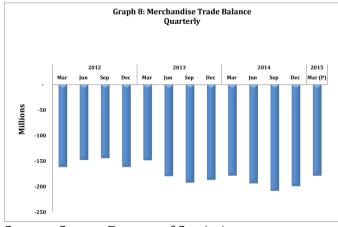
Other countries accounted for less than 5 percent each with a combined total of 12.4 percent. (See table 7 graph 7).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

#### **Merchandise Trade Balance**

In the March 2015 quarter, the value of imports (\$202.7million) exceeded that of exports (\$24.0 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$178.7 million. This value was 10.3 percent lower than the December 2014 quarter and a slight 0.1 percent higher than the March 2014 quarter. (See table 1 and graph 8)



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached tables provide the user with more detailed information.

#### **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)

The June 2015 quarter Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on August 31st 2015.

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# Merchandise Trade Summary Amount in thousand tala

]	Period	Total	EXPORTS (fob)  Total Domestic Re-Exports			
	Period			Re-Exports	Imports (cif)	Trade Balance
		(a)	Exports		(b)	(a-b)
	2011	153,111	112,779	40,332	805,752	-652,641
	2012	176,428	122,729	53,699	791,974	-615,546
	2013	144,103	100,126	43,977	851,292	-707,189
	2014	117,400	74,372	43,028	895,326	-777,926
Three r	nonths ended					
	Jun 12	42,368	26,300	16,068	190,218	-147,850
	Sep 12	53,274	36,684	16,590	197,636	-144,362
	Dec 12	34,947	23,950	10,997	196,596	-161,649
1	Mar 13	28,360	20,795	7,565	176,841	-148,482
	Jun 13	30,184	19,660	10,524	209,695	-179,511
	Sep 13	48,134	33,103	15,032	240,506	-192,372
	Dec 13	37,425	26,569	10,856	224,250	-186,825
	Mar 14	23,289	14,632	8,656	201,821	-178,532
	Jun 14	26,333	14,923	11,410	218,223	-191,890
	Sep 14	38,656	25,009	13,646	246,873	-208,217
	Dec 14	29,123	19,808	9,315	228,409	-199,286
	ar 15 (P)	24,003	15,442	8,562	202,664	-178,660
Monthly						
2014	January	5,419	2,492	2,927	75,214	-69,794
	February	7,475	4,206	3,269	76,368	-68,893
	March	10,394	7,934	2,460	50,239	-39,845
	April	9,975	6,229	3,746	79,223	-69,248
	May	7,969	4,251	3,717	69,952	-61,983
	June	8,389	4,443	3,946	69,048	-60,659
	July	12,955	8,869	4,086	88,435	-75,480
	August	12,732	7,798	4,934	93,123	-80,391
	September	12,968	8,343	4,626	65,314	-52,346
	October	11,855	8,594	3,261	69,232	-57,378
	November	6,473	3,768	2,705	75,000	-68,527
	December	10,795	7,446	3,349	84,176	-73,381
2015	January (P)	6,858	3,642	3,216	70,658	-63,801
	February (P)	7,532	4,478	3,054	60,788	-53,256
	March (P)	9,614	7,322	2,292	71,217	-61,603

a. Exports are valued fob (free on board – the value of goods at Samoa ports before export) and include re-exports.

All values are in Samoan tala.

(P): Provisional figures

Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Data source: Samoa Customs Service and PPS establisment survey

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

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

		Annual		Quarterly							
					2014			201	5		
Commodity	2012	2013	2014	March	June	Sept	Dec	March (P)	% of Total		
Ignition wiring sets, other wiring sets for vehicles, aircraft	81,923	64,527	44,631	8,495	9,259	17,363	9,515	8,848	36.9		
Petroleum oils other than crude oil (2)	40,542	34,524	39,402	8,141	10,746	11,928	8,588	7,695	32.1		
Fish	18,189	10,740	5,762	229	832	2,039	2,662	1,627	6.8		
Coconut oil	7,800	1,414	3,457	624	581	859	1,393	1,095	4.6		
Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	6,871	1,552	846	163	232	235	215	106	0.4		
Fruit Juices	1,612	3,494	3,386	1,086	953	751	596	549	2.3		
Beer	5,979	11,394	5,820	929	559	1,562	2,770	1,293	5.4		
Coconut	813	1,762	1,046	162	178	565	141	110	0.5		
Desiccated	541	26	10	10	-	-	-	-	-		
Taro	861	1,427	2,475	301	203	585	1,385	1,183	4.9		
Crisp savoury food products	325	231	108	0	24	25	58	10	0.0		
Fresh (Drinking coconut)	219	182	718	183	195	198	143	64	0.3		
Natural mineral	195	513	227	58	159	-	10	12	0.0		
Others	10,558	12,318	9,512	2,908	2,414	2,544	1,646	1,412	5.9		
<u>Total</u>	176,428	144,103	117,400	23,289	26,333	38,656	29,123	24,003	100.0		

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

					Quarter						
			Annual		2014				2015		
Section	Section description	2012	2013	2014	March	June	Sep	Dec	March (P)	% of Total	
I	Animals and animal products	18,189	11,442	5,842	231	833	2,041	2,737	1,63	1 6.8	
II	Vegetable products	2,511	3,836	4,357	683	627	1,361	1,686	1,55		
Ш	Animal or vegetable fats	8,829	1,486	4,017	725	1,031	863	1,397	1,09		
IV	Prepared foodstuff, beverages and tobacco	16,000	19,083	12,410	2,363	2,945	2,993	4,109	2,50	8 10.4	
٧	Mineral products	40,563	35,466	39,434	8,143	10,749	11,950	8,591	7,69	6 32.1	
VI	Chemical products	397	906	130	9	74	12	36	4	2 <b>0.2</b>	
VII	Plastics and rubber	193	454	153	44	1	10	98	11	2 0.5	
VIII	Hides and skins	91	5	0	-	-	-	0		0. <b>0</b>	
IX	Wood and wood products	66	112	179	85	45	19	31	1	3 <b>0.1</b>	
Χ	Wood pulp products	13	368	49	20	6	7	15		9 <b>0.0</b>	
XI	Textiles and textile articles	346	664	219	151	37	17	14	3	7 <b>0.2</b>	
XII	Footwear, headgear, etc	459	491	430	7	125	252	46		8 0.0	
XIII	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, glass, etc	12	17	1	0	0	0	0		1 0.0	
XIV	Pearls, precious or semi-precious stones and metals	2,044	114	4	0	-	-	4	11	3 <b>0.5</b>	
XV	Base metals and articles of base metal	2,164	1,749	1,135	353	154	220	407	11	8 <b>0.5</b>	
XVI	Machinery, mechanical and electrical appliances	84,068	66,270	46,082	8,612	9,329	18,531	9,609	8,98	5 <b>37.4</b>	
XVII	Transportation equipment	418	985	1,904	1,800	9	13	83	4	9 <b>0.2</b>	
XVIII	Instruments - measuring, musical	20	458	652	12	357	94	189		2 0.0	
XIX	Arms and ammunition	2	-	-	-	-	-	-		0.0	
XX	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	29	172	298	5	2	263	28	1	9 <b>0.1</b>	
XXI	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	0	0	0	-	-	-	0		0.0	
XXII	Others	13	27	103	45	8	9	42		9 0.0	
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# TOTAL EXPORTS BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES Amount in thousand (SAT 000) fob

			Quarter								
	Anr	ıual		<b>20</b> 1	2015						
Country of Destination	2013	2014	March	June	Sept	Dec	March (P)	% of Total			
Australia	81,995	67,965	12,965	14,739	24,583	15,679	13,489	56.2			
New Zealand	19,800	22,418	2,696	6,382	7,326	6,015	4,328	18.0			
United States of America	4,177	4,441	1,907	1,440	624	470	490	2.0			
American Samoa	13,051	7,348	997	1,166	1,558	3,627	2,335	9.7			
Singapore	2,871	4,097	942	873	1,971	310	612	2.6			
Tokelau	10,377	3,123	765	739	656	964	859	3.6			
Fiji	3,497	3,551	573	667	1,061	1,249	1,011	4.2			
Tonga	190	126		96	2	28	0	0.0			
Japan	717	325	101	55	98	70	-	0.0			
French Polynesia	368	268	46	103	44	75	37	0.2			
New Caledonia	151	9	3	2	2	2	-	0.0			
United Kingdom	1,355	268	142	-	125	-	-	0.0			
Other countries	5,555	3,462	2,150	70	606	636	842	3.5			
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# IMPORTS BY HS SECTIONS Amount in thousand tala

							Quai	rter		
			Annual				2014			
	HS Sections	2012	2013	2014	March	June	Sept	Dec	March (P)	% of Total
I	Live animals: animal products	85,477	89,406	87,522	17,980	21,415	24,188	23,938	18,057	8.9
II	Vegetable products	37,772	43,266	36,897	7,302	9,135	10,287	10,173	8,404	4.1
III	Animal or vegetable oils & fats	6,748	6,048	6,592	1,781	1,416	1,667	1,728	2,676	1.3
IV	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco	87,022	94,163	86,967	18,873	19,183	24,971	23,940	21,454	10.6
V	Mineral products	194,931	203,589	233,158	66,769	58,075	55,633	52,681	25,530	12.6
VI	Chemicals and allied products	43,372	46,152	53,754	11,336	12,413	14,916	15,090	15,699	7.7
VII	Plastic, rubber & articles thereof	36,085	44,338	44,800	9,949	10,805	11,724	12,322	12,717	6.3
VIII	Raw hides, skins, leather articles & travel goods	420	498	862	145	114	350	252	265	0.1
IX	Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material	28,434	33,232	30,635	5,881	7,120	9,067	8,567	5,886	2.9
X	Wood pulp, paper & paperboard & articles thereof	24,169	20,271	17,501	4,510	3,496	4,528	4,967	4,034	2.0
XI	Textiles & textile articles	14,592	17,002	20,567	4,388	3,759	6,219	6,201	4,692	2.3
XII	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas & parts thereof	2,333	3,303	3,178	554	489	1,101	1,035	509	0.3
XIII	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass & ceremic products	17,186	16,362	15,497	3,328	2,428	4,603	5,138	4,917	2.4
XIV	Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones & metals	2,420	522	1,841	41	1,514	117	168	51	0.0
XV	Base metals & articles thereof	54,690	65,465	63,211	14,106	14,997	16,390	17,718	20,526	10.1
XVI	Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof	99,888	97,728	100,300	20,322	25,316	34,958	19,705	23,342	11.5
XVII	Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment	32,999	37,995	49,648	7,646	13,914	14,144	13,944	18,490	9.1
XVIII	Photographic & optical, medical & surgical goods & clocks/watches	9,875	12,074	9,792	2,260	2,582	3,628	1,323	5,287	2.6
XIX	Arms and ammunition, parts & accessories thereof	114	184	109	29	31	22	27	19	0.0
XX	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	13,391	19,534	32,400	4,601	9,989	8,347	9,463	10,092	5.0
XXI	Works of art, collectors pieces & antiques	6	160	17	6	6	3	3	3	0.0
XXII	Others	49	0	78	15	27	10	27	13	0.0
	Total	791,974	851,292	895,326	201,821	218,223	246,873	228,409	202,664	100

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## Imports by Board Economic Catergory (BEC) Amount in thousand tala

	Capital goods				Intermediate g	oods	Consumption goods	Other categoies				
Category	Machinery and plant	Transport equipment	Total	Crude oil	Other	Total		Passenger motor cars	Petrol and avgas	Military and other goods	All mechandis e imports	
BEC codes	41	521	41, 521	313	111, 121 2, 311, 312, 314, 322, 42, 53	111, 121 2, 31, 322, 42, 53	122, 522, 52, 6	51	321	7	1-7	
Period				l .	!	!					!	
2010	68,913	60,436	129,349	-	298,864	298,864	202,808	21,252	133,422	668	786,362	
2011	106,171	24,579	130,750	-	279,530	279,530	213,131	13,589	164,886	3,866	805,752	
2012	62,983	16,641	79,624	-	305,818	305,818	220,228	10,187	173,970	2,147	791,974	
2013	62,839	17,656	80,495	-	332,487	332,487	243,193	14,712	180,045	359	850,933	
2014	69,510	24,640	94,150	-	322,891	322,891	250,220	18,974	207,558	1,533	895,326	
Quartely				-								
2013 Mar	11,741	3,811	15,552	-	62,197	62,197	53,787	2,595	42,701	8	176,833	
June	11,589	5,060	16,649	-	80,184	80,184	60,032	3,985	48,615	230	209,465	
Sept	21,151	3,989	25,139	_	102,801	102,801	63,537	3,879	45,048	101	240,405	
Dec	18,358	4,796	23,154	-	87,305	87,305	65,838	4,253	43,680	20	224,230	
2014 Mar	15,356	3,298	18,654	-	66,623	66,623	52,922	2,817	60,801	3	201,821	
June	19,835	5,492	25,328	_	75,378	75,378	56,839	6,970	52,217	1,491	218,223	
Sept	22,200	8,167	30,366	-	92,810	92,810	71,902	4,315	47,469	10	246,873	
Dec	12,119	7,682	19,801	-	88,080	88,080	68,557	4,872	47,071	28	228,409	
2015 Mar (P)	14,012	13,294	27,306	-	95,630	95,630	56,606	3,690	19,425	6	202,664	
Monthly												
2014												
January	4,535	697	5,232	-	24,411	24,411	20,277	757	24,535	2	75,214	
February	4,381	1,697	6,078	-	19,089	19,089	14,359	803	36,038	1	76,368	
March	6,440	904	7,344	-	23,123	23,123	18,286	1,257	229	0	50,239	
April	11,400	3,534	14,935	-	21,545	21,545	20,874	4,134	17,728	7	79,223	
May	4,830	1,052	5,882	-	26,085	26,085	17,290	1,702	17,520	1,473	69,952	
June	3,605	906	4,511	-	27,748	27,748	18,675	1,134	16,968	11	69,048	
July	9,833	4,824	14,658	-	31,403	31,403	20,284	1,076	21,010	5	88,435	
August	7,519	2,487	10,006	-	34,514	34,514	29,794	1,805	16,999	6	93,123	
September	4,847	856	5,703	-	26,892	26,892	21,824	1,435	9,460	-	65,314	
October	3,996 3,154	1,721	5,717 5,002	-	27,621	27,621 27,455	19,436	1,892	14,565 17,073	2	69,232	
November December	3,154 4,969	2,838 3,123	5,992 8,093	-	27,455 33,004	27,455 33,004	22,469 26,652	1,085 1,894	17,973 14,533	25 1	75,000 84,176	
2015	4,309	5,125	0,033	-	33,004	33,004	20,032	1,034	14,000	ı	04,170	
January (P)	3,001	10,304	13,305	_	26,736	26,736	16,265	1,058	13,294		70,658	
February (P)	5,732	1,723	7,456		33,766	33,766	18,698	830	33	6	60,788	
March (P)	5,280	1,266	6,546	-	35,127	35,127	21,643	1,802	6,098	1	71,217	

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

(P): Provisional figures

Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Datacsource: Samoa Custom Services and PPS establishment survey

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

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#### **TOTAL IMPORTS BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES**

#### Amount in thousand (SAT 000) cif

			Quarter									
	Annua	I		201	2015	i						
Country of Export	2013	2014	March	June	Sept	Dec	March (P)	% of Total				
Singapore	193,942	218,448	64,298	54,597	49,485	50,069	24,593	12.1				
New Zealand	254,361	250,392	51,856	54,186	84,841	59,509	62,560	30.9				
China, Peoples Republic of	69,325	93,819	14,596	34,164	20,130	24,928	32,046	15.8				
United States of America	105,248	90,139	20,986	22,784	22,112	24,257	15,514	7.7				
Australia	61,611	79,086	16,970	16,677	23,793	21,646	20,810	10.3				
Fiji	48,843	48,140	9,553	11,478	14,426	12,683	10,859	5.4				
Japan	31,275	32,724	5,056	7,497	11,741	8,430	8,856	4.4				
Thailand	19,974	20,249	4,719	3,849	4,454	7,227	4,929	2.4				
Malaysia	13,274	9,993	2,367	2,991	1,490	3,146	11,219	5.5				
Indonesia	13,420	13,445	3,389	2,617	3,271	4,168	4,123	2.0				
Hong Kong	14,711	12,474	2,617	2,130	2,517	5,210	2,363	1.2				
Korea Democratic People's	1,713	2,505	435	1,044	170	856	689	0.3				
Viet Nam	1,774	2,222	437	582	0	1,203	248	0.1				
Papua New Guinea	2,395	1,362	297	474	408	183	208	0.1				
India	3,364	2,975	808	435	784	949	400	0.2				
Taiwan, Province of China	2,258	2,567	544	332	330	1,361	368	0.2				
Korea Republic of	2,289	1,845	693	364	251	537	268	0.1				
Tonga	954	1,143	156	233	312	441	169	0.1				
Philippines	2,404	848	460	50	307	32	293	0.1				
Other countries	8,158	10,949	1,585	1,739	6,050	1,575	2,150	1.1				
Total Imports	851,292	895,326	201,821	218,223	246,873	228,409	202,664	100.0				

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