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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 ${ }^{1}$

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 ${ }^{2}$ 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.

[^0]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.

Fiji contributed 5.4 percent ( $\$ 10.9$ million) of total value, decreasing 14.4 percent from the December 2014 quarter but increasing 13.7 percent from the March 2014 quarter.
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 ( $\$ 202.7$ million) 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 $31^{\text {st }} 2015$.


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Table 1
Merchandise Trade Summary
Amount in thousand tala

| Period |  | EXPORTS (fob) |  |  | Imports (cif) <br> (b) | Trade Balance <br> (a-b) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total <br> (a) | Domestic Exports | Re-Exports |  |  |
|  | 11 | 153,111 | 112,779 | 40,332 | 805,752 | -652,641 |
|  | 12 | 176,428 | 122,729 | 53,699 | 791,974 | -615,546 |
|  | 13 | 144,103 | 100,126 | 43,977 | 851,292 | -707,189 |
|  | 14 | 117,400 | 74,372 | 43,028 | 895,326 | -777,926 |
| Three months ended |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 12 | 42,368 | 26,300 | 16,068 | 190,218 | -147,850 |
|  | 12 | 53,274 | 36,684 | 16,590 | 197,636 | -144,362 |
|  | c 12 | 34,947 | 23,950 | 10,997 | 196,596 | -161,649 |
|  | r 13 | 28,360 | 20,795 | 7,565 | 176,841 | -148,482 |
|  | 13 | 30,184 | 19,660 | 10,524 | 209,695 | -179,511 |
|  | 13 | 48,134 | 33,103 | 15,032 | 240,506 | -192,372 |
|  | 13 | 37,425 | 26,569 | 10,856 | 224,250 | -186,825 |
|  | r 14 | 23,289 | 14,632 | 8,656 | 201,821 | -178,532 |
|  | 14 | 26,333 | 14,923 | 11,410 | 218,223 | -191,890 |
|  | 14 | 38,656 | 25,009 | 13,646 | 246,873 | -208,217 |
|  | 14 | 29,123 | 19,808 | 9,315 | 228,409 | -199,286 |
|  | 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.
b. Imports are valued cif (cost, including insurance and freight to Samoa)

All values are in Samoan tala.
(P) : Provisional figures

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Data source: Samoa Customs Service and PPS establisment survey
Notes: HS - Samoa Customs Tariff (HS2012 applies to June 2012 and later data. HS2007 is used for earlier data.)
Re-exports of fuel for Airlines and shipping vessels has only become available from January 2010
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| Table 2. | Exports of main commodities ${ }^{(1)}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amount in thousand tala (SAT, 000) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commodity | Annual |  |  | Quarterly |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2014 |  |  |  | 2015 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 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 |
| Total | 176,428 | 144,103 | 117,400 | 23,289 | 26,333 | 38,656 | 29,123 | 24,003 | 100.0 |

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2. Includes re-exports of fuel for airlines and shipping vessels

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| Section | Section description | Annual |  |  | Quarter |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2015 |  |  |
|  |  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | March | June | Sep | Dec | March (P) | \% of Total |  |
| । | Animals and animal products | 18,189 | 11,442 | 5,842 | 231 | 833 | 2,041 | 2,737 |  | 1,631 | 6.8 |
| \\| | Vegetable products | 2,511 | 3,836 | 4,357 | 683 | 627 | 1,361 | 1,686 |  | 1,554 | 6.5 |
| III | Animal or vegetable fats | 8,829 | 1,486 | 4,017 | 725 | 1,031 | 863 | 1,397 |  | 1,097 | 4.6 |
| IV | Prepared foodstuff, beverages and tobacco | 16,000 | 19,083 | 12,410 | 2,363 | 2,945 | 2,993 | 4,109 |  | 2,508 | 10.4 |
| V | Mineral products | 40,563 | 35,466 | 39,434 | 8,143 | 10,749 | 11,950 | 8,591 |  | 7,696 | 32.1 |
| VI | Chemical products | 397 | 906 | 130 | 9 | 74 | 12 | 36 |  | 42 | 0.2 |
| VII | Plastics and rubber | 193 | 454 | 153 | 44 | 1 | 10 | 98 |  | 112 | 0.5 |
| VIII | Hides and skins | 91 | 5 | 0 | - | - | - | 0 |  | 0 | 0.0 |
| IX | Wood and wood products | 66 | 112 | 179 | 85 | 45 | 19 | 31 |  | 13 | 0.1 |
| X | Wood pulp products | 13 | 368 | 49 | 20 | 6 | 7 | 15 |  | 9 | 0.0 |
| XI | Texiles and textile ariciles | 346 | 664 | 219 | 151 | 37 | 17 | 14 |  | 37 | 0.2 |
| 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 |  | 113 | 0.5 |
| XV | Base metals and ariciles of base metal | 2,164 | 1,749 | 1,135 | 353 | 154 | 220 | 407 |  | 118 | 0.5 |
| XVI | Machinery, mechanical and electrical appliances | 84,068 | 66,270 | 46,082 | 8,612 | 9,329 | 18,531 | 9,609 |  | 8,985 | 37.4 |
| XVII | Transportation equipment | 418 | 985 | 1,904 | 1,800 | 9 | 13 | 83 |  | 49 | 0.2 |
| XVIII | Instruments - measuring, musical | 20 | 458 | 652 | 12 | 357 | 94 | 189 |  | 2 | 0.0 |
| XIX | Arms and ammunition | 2 | $\cdot$ | - | $\cdot$ | - | - | - |  | 0 | 0.0 |
| XX | Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 29 | 172 | 298 | 5 | 2 | 263 | 28 |  | 19 | 0.1 |
| XXI | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - | - | 0 |  | 0 | 0.0 |
| XXII | Others | 13 | 27 | 103 | 45 | 8 | 9 | 42 |  | 9 | 0.0 |
|  | Total Exports | 176,428 | 144,103 | 117,400 | 23,289 | 26,333 | 38,656 | 29,123 |  | 24,003 | 100.0 |

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Data source: Samoa Customs Service and PPS establisment survey

Table 4. TOTAL EXPORTS BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES

Amount in thousand (SAT 000) fob

| Country of Destination | Annual |  | Quarter |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2015 |  |
|  | 2013 | 2014 | March | June | Sept | Dec | March (P) | $\begin{gathered} \% \text { of } \\ \text { Total } \end{gathered}$ |
| 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 |
| 0ther countries | 5,555 | 3,462 | 2,150 | 70 | 606 | 636 | 842 | 3.5 |
| Total Exports | 144,103 | 117,400 | 23,289 | 26,333 | 38,656 | 29,123 | 24,003 | 100.0 |

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| HS Sections |  | Annual |  |  | Quarter |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2014 | 2015 |  |
|  |  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | March | June | Sept | Dec | March (P) | $\begin{gathered} \% \text { of } \\ \text { Total } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 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 | 5,887 | 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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| Category | Capital goods |  |  | Intermediate goods |  |  | Consumption goods | Other categoies |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 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 | $\begin{gathered} 111,1212,311, \\ 312,314,322, \\ 42,53 \end{gathered}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 111,1212,31 \\ 322,42,53 \end{gathered}\right.$ | 122, 522, 52, 6 | 51 | 321 | 7 | $1-7$ |
| Period |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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 | 1,721 | 5,717 | - | 27,621 | 27,621 | 19,436 | 1,892 | 14,565 | 2 | 69,232 |
| November | 3,154 | 2,838 | 5,992 | - | 27,455 | 27,455 | 22,469 | 1,085 | 17,973 | 25 | 75,000 |
| December | 4,969 | 3,123 | 8,093 | - | 33,004 | 33,004 | 26,652 | 1,894 | 14,533 | 1 | 84,176 |
| 2015 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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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& \text { - = Magnitude is Zero } \\
& 0=\text { Negligible } \\
& \text { Totals may be slightly different due to roundings }
\end{aligned}
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| Country of Export | Annual |  | Quarter |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2015 |  |
|  | 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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All values are in Samoan tala.
Notes: 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: Samoa Customs Service and PPS establisment survey


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Includes re-export commodities
    ${ }^{2}$ Re-exports of fuel for airlines and shipping vessels

