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## SAMOA BUREAU OF STATISTICS

### Merchandise Trade March 2019

#### **Highlights of the month**

March 2019 compared with February 2019

#### **Exports<sup>1</sup>**

- The total value of merchandise exports increased 56.5 percent (to \$11.6 million) in March 2019.
- Large increases recorded in March were exports of:
  - ‘Fish, crustaceans and molluscs’ (up \$1.4 million) reflecting higher value of fish
  - ‘Mineral fuel’ exports (up \$1.4 million) reflecting higher value of value of distillate fuel
- American Samoa became the top export market in March, accounting for 28.3 percent of total exports value.
- Exports to the Oceanic region had the largest increase in value, reflecting a huge increase in the value of exports to American Samoa (up \$2.0 million). Other significant increases were
  - USA (up \$1.1 million) and Australia (up \$659 thousand).

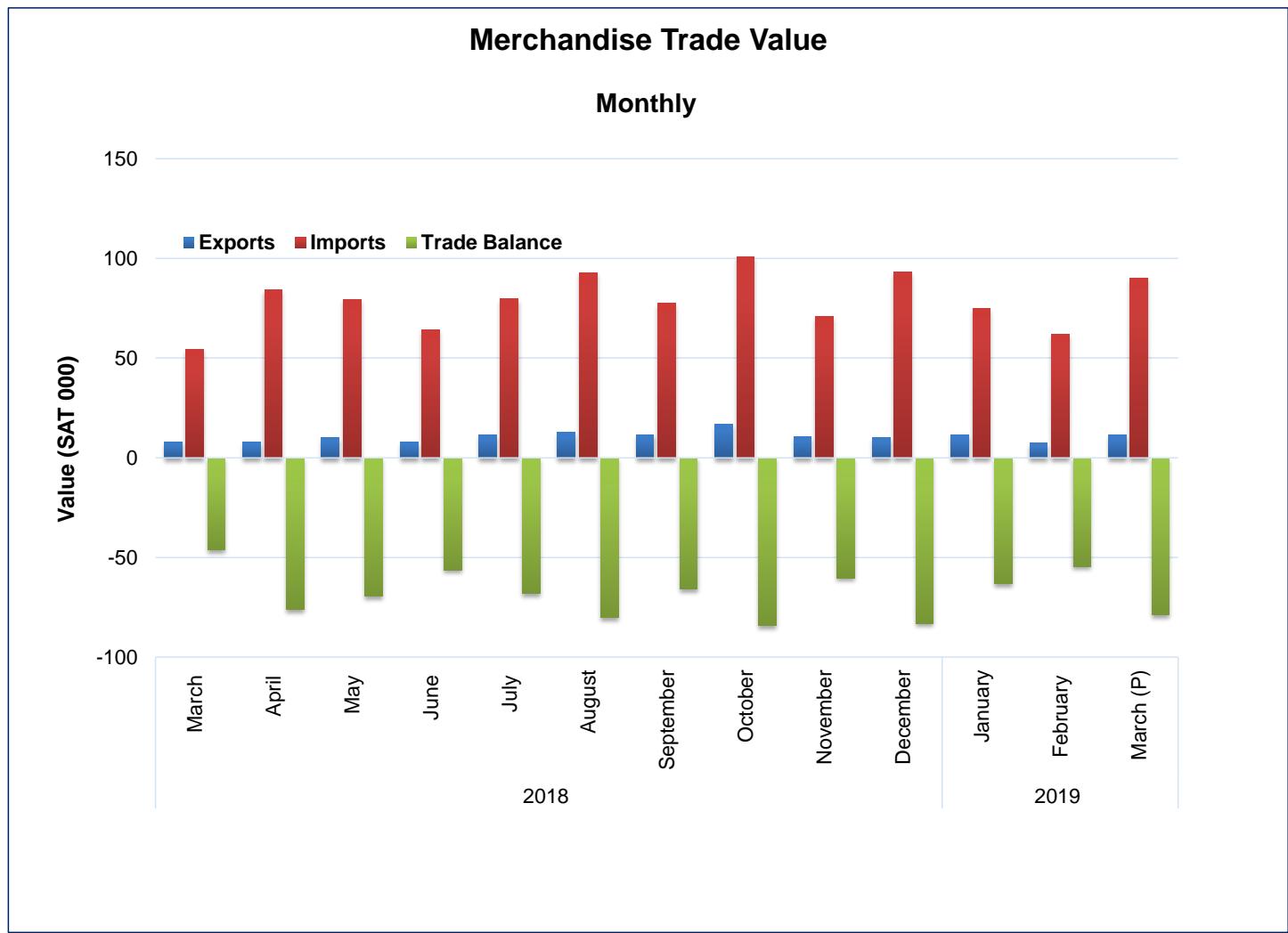
#### **Imports**

- The total value of merchandise imports increased 46.0 percent (to \$90.3) million in March 2019.
- Imports of ‘Electrical machinery and equipment’ had the largest increase (up \$6.7 million). Other significant increases were imports of
  - ‘Iron and steel’ (up \$2.9 million), ‘vehicles, parts and accessories’ (up \$2.8 million), ‘mineral fuels’ (up \$2.3 million) and ‘meat and edible offal’ (up \$2.2 million)
- New Zealand maintained the leading source market for imports in March 2019, accounting for 26.6 percent of total imports value.
- Imports from the Asian region recorded the largest increase in March 2019, reflecting a huge increase in the value of imports from China (up \$10.1 million). Other significant increases recorded were imports from
  - New Zealand (up 6.6 million), USA (up \$2.3 million) and Australia (up \$2.2 million)

#### **Trade Balance**

- The total value of imports (\$90.3 million) exceeded that of exports (\$11.6 million), resulting in a trade deficit of \$78.7 million.

<sup>1</sup> Includes re-export commodities



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-SAD) 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)

The April 2019 Merchandise trade report is expected to be available on June 13<sup>th</sup> 2019.

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**Table 1: Overseas Merchandise Trade  
Values (000 tala) <sup>(1)(2)</sup>**

Period		Exports	Imports	Trade Balance
<b>Annual</b>				
	2011	153,111	805,752	-652,641
	2012	176,428	791,974	-615,546
	2013	144,103	851,292	-707,189
	2014	117,400	895,326	-777,926
	2015	136,018	855,390	-719,372
	2016	143,755	899,005	-755,250
	2017	112,215	900,997	-788,782
	2018 (P)	119,204	939,443	-820,239
<b>Quarter</b>				
<b>2016</b>	March	28,256	220,835	-192,579
	June	35,098	226,981	-191,883
	September	44,936	224,418	-179,482
	December	35,466	226,772	-191,306
<b>2017</b>	March	25,871	210,126	-184,255
	June	31,138	210,684	-179,546
	September	30,834	235,475	-204,641
	December	24,372	244,712	-220,340
<b>2018</b>	March	20,050	197,020	-176,969
	June	25,858	227,652	-201,794
	September	36,021	250,123	-214,103
	December	37,276	264,649	-227,373
<b>2019</b>	March (P)	30,683	226,898	-196,215
<b>Month</b>				
<b>2017</b>	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
<b>2018</b>	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	11,542	79,733	-68,191
	August	12,833	92,981	-80,147
	September	11,645	77,409	-65,764
	October	16,842	100,917	-84,074
	November	10,460	70,701	-60,241
	December	9,973	93,031	-83,058
<b>2019</b>	January	11,694	74,815	-63,122
	February	7,402	61,818	-54,415
	March (P)	11,587	90,266	-78,678

<sup>1</sup> Exports are valued fob (free on board – the value of goods at Samoa ports before export, in Samoan tala) and include re-exports, while imports are valued cif (cost, including insurance and freight to Samoa, in Samoan tala). All values are in Samoan tala.

<sup>2</sup> Figures are calculated on rounded data

#### Symbols

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**Source:** Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

**Table 2: Exports by main Commodities**

Values (000 tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

HS Code	Commodity			Quarter				Month			% Change		
		Annual		2018				2019	2018	2019	Mar19 /Feb19	Mar19 / Mar18	
		2017	2018	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar(P)	Mar	Feb	Mar(P)		
3	Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	33,259	33,836	5,944	5,549	14,487	7,856	9,678	2,551	1,685	3,123	85.3	22.4
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	32,617	30,663	5,848	7,727	7,776	9,312	7,108	1,609	1,451	2,883	98.7	79.2
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit and nuts	4,352	10,258	1,139	1,974	3,013	4,132	5,449	597	1,493	2,290	53.4	283.5
7	Vegetables	10,863	7,386	1,414	1,967	1,850	2,155	1,718	592	683	499	-27.0	-15.8
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	5,316	7,341	1,622	1,811	1,699	2,209	919	555	284	596	109.7	7.4
2	Meat and edible offal	706	4,846	575	348	375	351	177	363	80	33	-59.0	-90.9
39	Plastics and articles	1,112	3,677	24	866	540	2,247	337	6	9	262	2747.9	4646.5
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	8,816	3,273	360	852	1,384	677	1,040	169	201	342	70.6	102.7
15	Fats and oils	2,190	2,268	44	529	1,147	548	1,180	23	386	383	-0.9	1578.1
8	Fruit and nuts	1,904	1,960	518	554	364	524	601	220	246	249	1.3	13.2
23	Food wastes	896	1,309	344	285	120	561	16	121	15	0	-100.0	-100.0
19	Cereal preparations	896	1,113	210	160	190	553	346	157	16	25	52.0	-84.4
18	Cocoa	638	908	58	553	69	226	24	36	8	10	25.5	-71.1
24	Tobacco	462	699	115	192	153	238	238	74	105	44	-57.7	-40.1
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	532	505	20	125	147	213	382	2	30	204	590.1	10874.8
12	Oil seeds	177	477	131	129	84	134	42	1	1	41	5783.0	5783.0
4	Dairy	160	477	82	114	245	3,235	37	61	22	13	-40.0	-78.0
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	55	470	128	192	131	19	2	122	1	1	-4.7	-99.1
64	Footwear	333	464	1	116	45	301	110	0	2	107	5009.1	116743.5
16	Meat and fish preparation	598	451	167	80	169	35	99	148	48	30	-36.4	-79.5
72-73	Iron and steel and articles	1,130	692	89	187	235	182	273	72	109	164	49.9	125.8
44	Wood and articles of wood	203	429	45	150	84	150	24	24	1	24	3139.5	-3.1
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	206	390	80	98	138	74	30	56	15	14	-6.6	-75.1
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	138	357	35	44	162	116	92	1	16	50	212.8	7621.5
62	Apparel and clothing accessories	217	314	23	44	175	73	23	14	16	6	-64.6	-58.7
38	Chemical products n.e.s.	244	311	164	70	14	63	5	129	3	2	-17.4	-98.4
94	Furniture, furnishings and light fittings	148	301	20	130	62	89	54	7	7	35	396.0	396.5
25	Mineral substances	306	291	23	58	40	170	29	23	28	0	-99.1	-98.9
34	Soaps and polishes	78	270	12	32	35	192	15	9	7	7	-8.0	-30.9
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	75	235	51	34	76	79	26	39	0	26	35770.8	-33.6
17	Sugar	56	152	45	30	39	38	10	41	5	5	-5.3	-87.8
10	Cereals	67	143	21	29	65	28	9	17	4	5	11.1	-72.4
...	Others	3,462	2,937	698	829	908	496	592	246	426	114	-73.1	-53.4
<b>01-98</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>20,050</b>	<b>25,858</b>	<b>36,021</b>	<b>37,276</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>8,085</b>	<b>7,402</b>	<b>11,587</b>	<b>56.5</b>	<b>43.3</b>

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2 Figures are calculated on rounded data

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**Source** Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

**Table 3: Exports (value) by major items, SITC<sup>(3)</sup>**

Values (000 tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

SITC Section	Annual			Quarter				Month			% change	
				2018			2019	2018	2019	Mar(P)	Mar19 / Feb19	Mar19 / Mar18
	2016	2017	2018	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar(P)	Mar	Feb	Mar(P)	
Food & Live Animal	60,826	54,898	63,598	10,660	11,857	21,232	19,849	18,610	4,987	4,693	6,342	35.1
Beverages & Tobacco	4,532	5,683	8,012	1,737	1,983	1,852	2,439	1,156	629	389	640	64.6
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	1,993	2,081	1,017	258	274	174	311	228	80	100	111	10.1
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	30,888	32,613	30,656	5,848	7,727	7,776	9,305	7,104	1,609	1,451	2,883	98.7
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	2,242	1,398	1,580	17	425	721	416	3	16	2	1	-64.1
Chemicals & Related Products	249	1,447	1,649	320	268	587	475	1,257	212	395	449	13.8
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	975	2,548	2,904	555	891	836	623	211	204	88	120	36.7
Machinery & Transport Equipment	40,685	9,475	4,212	416	1,030	1,695	1,070	1,520	172	246	602	144.2
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	1,366	2,072	5,577	239	1,401	1,149	2,787	593	176	39	441	1026.7
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>	<b>143,755</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>20,050</b>	<b>25,858</b>	<b>36,021</b>	<b>37,276</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>8,085</b>	<b>7,402</b>	<b>11,587</b>	<b>56.5</b>
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3 SITC: Standard International Trade Classification

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Data source: Ministry for Revenue and establishment surveys

**Table 4: Exports by Region, by main Countries of Destination**

Values (in '000 Tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter				Month				% Change	
				2018			2019	2018	2019			Mar19 / Feb19	Mar19 / Mar18
	2016	2017	2018(P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar(P)	Mar	Jan	Feb	Mar(P)	
<b>Region</b>													
Africa	18	32	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0!
America	9,597	7,597	11,549	1,158	4,117	3,360	2,914	7,050	474	1,577	1,914	3,559	86.0
Asia	17,707	13,781	19,118	3,506	4,268	4,993	6,351	3,989	1,555	2,008	781	1,200	53.6
Europe	978	635	977	315	217	229	217	332	210	228	0	104	52938.3
Oceania	115,455	90,170	87,474	14,986	17,256	27,439	27,793	19,312	5,846	7,881	4,707	6,724	42.8
Other	0	0	84	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0!
<b>Top Countries</b>													
New Zealand	17,181	22,076	21,101	4,286	4,770	5,272	6,773	4,623	1,529	1,675	1,632	1,316	-19.4
Australia	51,623	24,051	12,850	1,573	3,391	3,255	4,631	2,592	497	982	475	1,135	138.6
American Samoa	37,060	29,876	31,779	5,261	4,821	13,510	8,188	8,494	1,785	3,922	1,296	3,276	152.9
Fiji	4,575	4,496	4,234	767	849	1,561	1,056	832	170	441	220	171	-22.2
Tokelau	4,236	9,159	16,439	2,814	3,136	3,500	6,989	2,543	1,686	767	1,046	730	-30.2
China	2,050	1,281	1,446	75	238	390	742	293	0	164	64	65	0.4
Taiwan	7,576	6,038	8,716	1,380	2,133	2,443	2,761	945	362	623	122	200	63.5
Japan	4,238	4,028	3,995	1,333	1,087	978	597	969	1,029	138	394	437	10.9
Singapore	1,619	978	1,571	425	231	434	481	398	26	241	40	118	196.8
USA	9,592	6,253	11,214	1,126	4,036	3,258	2,794	6,001	443	1,266	1,836	2,899	57.9
Other countries	4,005	3,979	5,860	1,011	1,166	1,420	2,264	2,994	558	1,474	277	1,243	348.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>143,755</b>	<b>112,215</b>	<b>119,204</b>	<b>20,050</b>	<b>25,858</b>	<b>36,021</b>	<b>37,276</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>8,085</b>	<b>11,694</b>	<b>7,402</b>	<b>11,587</b>	<b>56.5</b>
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**Table 5: Imports by main Commodities**

Values (000 tala) <sup>(1)(2)</sup>

HS Code	Commodity	Annual		Quarter				Month			% Change		
				2018			2019	2018	2019	Mar(P)	Mar19 / Feb19	Mar19 / Mar18	
		2017	2018	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar(P)	Mar	Feb	Mar(P)		
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	144,208	178,467	31,425	47,600	55,532	43,910	48,549	825	14,885	17,217	15.7 1986.1	
87	Vehicles, parts and accessories	58,733	68,629	13,829	17,125	16,665	21,009	17,185	2,918	3,702	6,534	76.5 123.9	
2	Meat and edible meat offal	68,225	65,488	14,150	14,925	16,401	20,012	10,990	4,856	2,395	4,568	90.7 -5.9	
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	65,998	55,480	15,718	14,929	11,928	12,906	19,375	5,439	3,386	10,095	198.1 85.6	
84	Mechanical machinery and equipment	49,175	50,752	10,553	12,138	15,713	12,348	9,417	3,723	2,504	3,563	42.3 -4.3	
44	Wood and articles of wood	30,278	31,139	4,738	7,643	8,023	10,735	6,266	2,231	2,418	2,969	22.8 33.1	
19	Cereal preparations	26,319	29,884	6,830	7,434	6,944	8,677	7,080	2,220	2,017	2,941	45.8 32.4	
4	Dairy	27,564	29,274	6,836	6,959	7,379	8,100	6,802	2,279	2,233	2,118	-5.1 -7.1	
39	Plastics and articles	28,833	29,232	6,103	6,297	7,797	9,034	6,439	2,112	1,686	2,698	60.0 27.8	
16	Meat and fish preparation	19,171	24,251	5,194	5,158	6,233	7,666	4,481	1,805	849	1,904	124.3 5.5	
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	17,167	18,298	3,698	3,897	5,232	5,470	3,609	1,475	1,401	994	-29.0 -32.6	
48	Paper products	14,883	16,865	3,741	4,253	4,534	4,337	4,080	1,285	969	1,245	28.5 -3.2	
10	Cereals	10,446	16,613	3,002	4,038	4,103	5,470	2,895	906	875	1,313	50.0 44.9	
25	Mineral substances	15,517	16,378	4,691	3,564	2,949	5,173	4,815	1,481	1,536	1,671	8.8 12.9	
34	Soaps and polishes	11,577	15,141	3,426	3,920	3,898	3,897	2,558	1,044	901	980	8.8 -6.1	
72-73	Iron and steel	57,000	46,784	8,423	11,379	12,864	14,118	15,404	2,260	3,843	6,767	76.1 199.4	
11	Milling industry products	13,700	14,247	3,421	3,530	3,858	3,437	3,205	955	1,237	1,052	-15.0 10.2	
17	Sugar	16,780	14,117	3,198	4,066	2,914	3,940	2,390	877	865	974	12.6 11.1	
30	Pharmaceutical products	12,455	13,930	4,184	2,460	3,001	4,286	2,280	997	620	743	19.8 -25.5	
94	Furniture	15,559	13,486	2,629	3,157	4,596	3,103	3,737	722	1,337	1,573	17.6 117.9	
38	Chemical products n.e.c.	9,983	10,618	2,277	2,955	3,077	2,308	2,122	515	789	729	-7.6 41.8	
96	Miscellaneous manufactured products	10,331	10,225	2,474	1,521	2,607	3,624	3,582	844	780	1,568	101.1 85.7	
40	Rubber	8,585	9,802	2,221	2,976	2,286	2,320	1,721	666	289	829	187.2 24.6	
90	Optical, medical, and measuring equipment	9,492	9,316	1,563	2,115	2,099	3,539	2,742	360	770	780	1.3 116.6	
7	Vegetables	9,909	9,249	2,211	2,332	2,455	2,252	2,264	1,036	917	656	-28.5 -36.7	
33	Essential oils and cosmetic preparations	8,590	9,226	1,836	1,903	2,708	2,779	1,752	532	748	584	-22.0 9.7	
22	Beverages	9,432	8,870	2,108	1,940	2,179	2,643	1,133	664	302	452	49.3 -32.0	
62	Apparel not knitted and crocheted	7,787	8,585	1,434	1,651	2,226	3,275	1,953	507	286	561	96.4 10.7	
15	Fats and oils	8,201	8,495	1,653	2,213	2,323	2,307	1,661	431	500	571	14.3 32.6	
32	Dyes, tannin, and paint	7,390	7,440	1,661	1,702	1,725	2,352	2,508	420	532	1,377	158.6 227.7	
76	Aluminium	8,161	7,411	2,223	1,304	2,222	1,663	2,511	716	567	1,324	133.6 85.0	
20	Vegetable, fruit, and nut preparations	4,750	6,562	1,148	1,316	2,113	1,985	1,490	408	509	626	22.8 53.3	
68	Stone	6,669	6,397	1,099	1,389	939	2,969	1,624	198	357	712	99.5 260.2	
70	Glass and glassware	7,786	6,083	1,243	1,059	1,147	2,633	1,488	249	331	745	125.1 199.4	
55	Man-made staple fibres	5,091	5,251	1,309	1,154	1,299	1,490	1,868	652	733	700	-4.5 7.2	
3	Fish	3,693	5,137	1,046	1,307	1,535	1,248	1,300	274	211	484	129.9 76.9	
69	Ceramic products	3,709	4,673	950	632	1,654	1,437	1,727	269	415	478	15.1 77.9	
23	Food wastes	4,571	4,655	1,009	1,246	1,156	1,244	1,081	409	315	361	14.3 -11.9	
63	Made up textile articles	3,428	3,985	922	821	1,029	1,212	564	286	76	184	142.6 -35.6	
8	Fruits and nuts	3,886	3,974	846	932	1,167	1,029	722	379	173	309	78.5 -18.5	
82	Metal tools and cutlery	3,495	3,861	819	642	1,336	1,064	897	248	391	261	-33.3 5.1	
95	Toys and games	3,310	3,710	599	922	838	1,351	432	384	107	166	55.1 -56.7	
83	Miscellaneous metal articles	3,262	3,695	557	1,171	933	1,034	678	115	231	246	6.7 114.0	
61	Knitted and crocheted apparel	2,833	3,583	659	647	1,085	1,192	938	273	216	502	132.9 84.2	
9	Coffee, tea, and spices	2,255	3,130	803	596	744	987	580	195	67	348	418.2 79.0	
24	Tobacco	2,555	2,751	1,195	756	429	371	559	672	297	166	-44.3 -75.3	
64	Footwear	2,850	2,685	572	725	736	652	431	325	93	234	152.9 -27.8	
37	Photographic equipment	1,188	2,396	367	1,033	430	566	719	153	139	240	72.1 56.9	
49	Books and newspapers	15,560	2,229	524	551	549	605	392	127	124	116	-6.9 -9.1	
28	Inorganic chemicals and compounds	1,613	1,822	483	420	479	439	364	146	108	140	29.8 -4.2	
18	Cocoa	1,331	1,596	269	397	437	493	146	163	41	62	52.8 -61.7	
52	Cotton	1,097	1,093	228	306	250	309	355	158	52	158	207.3 0.5	
...	Others	14,616	12,482	2,922	2,547	3,364	3,649	3,034	1,107	692	1,679	142.7 51.7	
<b>01-98 Total</b>		<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>197,020</b>	<b>227,652</b>	<b>250,123</b>	<b>264,649</b>	<b>226,898</b>	<b>54,288</b>	<b>61,818</b>	<b>90,266</b>	<b>46.0</b>	<b>66.3</b>

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**Table 6: Imports (value) by major items, SITC(3)**

Values (000 tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

SITC Section				Quarter				Month			% change		
				2018			2019	2018	2019		Mar19 / Feb19	Mar19 / Mar18	
	2016	2017	2018	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar(P)	Mar	Feb	Mar(P)		
Food & Live Animal	235,810	232,794	249,568	54,434	58,856	63,638	72,640	49,630	18,451	14,360	18,908	31.7	2.5
Beverages & Tobacco	12,568	11,548	11,226	3,197	2,571	2,530	2,928	1,615	1,290	595	559	-6.1	-56.6
Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	21,317	24,438	31,810	3,685	8,384	9,624	10,117	7,055	1,954	2,997	2,794	-6.8	43.0
Mineral fuels, Lubricants & Related Materials	122,284	143,389	173,370	31,254	46,306	52,854	42,956	45,377	756	13,680	16,018	17.1	2018.1
Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	5,654	5,766	6,144	1,129	1,631	1,574	1,810	1,254	230	289	471	62.7	104.9
Chemicals & Related Products	67,573	62,072	70,209	16,255	15,467	18,540	19,948	14,426	4,567	4,769	5,702	19.6	24.8
Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	144,926	148,194	139,555	30,287	31,857	34,990	42,421	40,546	9,260	10,622	16,741	57.6	80.8
Machinery & Transport Equipment	190,595	178,973	175,742	40,213	44,296	44,786	46,448	46,207	12,143	9,533	20,465	114.7	68.5
Miscellaneous Manufactured Goods & Articles	98,260	93,809	81,783	16,559	18,277	21,585	25,362	20,783	5,631	4,972	8,609	73.1	52.9
Commodities & Transactions Not Classified Elsewhere In The SITC	18	13	35	7	7	2	18	4	5	0	0	#DIV/0!	-93.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>899,005</b>	<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>197,020</b>	<b>227,652</b>	<b>250,123</b>	<b>264,649</b>	<b>226,898</b>	<b>54,288</b>	<b>61,818</b>	<b>90,266</b>	<b>46.0</b>	<b>66.3</b>

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**Table 7: Imports by Region, by main Countries of Exports**

Values (in '000 Tala)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

Region/Country	Annual			Quarter				Month			% Change		
				2018			2019	2018	2019	Mar19 / Feb19	Mar19 / Mar18		
	2016	2017	2018(P)	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar(P)	Mar	Feb	Mar(P)		
<b>Region</b>													
Africa	17	47	195	32	6	137	20	14	0	11	0	-100.0 #DIV/0!	
America	95,957	103,318	95,229	22,272	18,610	25,110	29,237	14,817	7,363	3,408	5,572	63.5 -50.2	
Asia	381,432	383,539	427,408	84,099	103,291	115,411	124,606	115,666	15,544	29,595	47,816	61.6 -11.1	
Europe	12,921	25,772	8,257	1,134	3,771	2,485	867	3,778	165	1,456	1,361	-6.5 252.0	
Oceania	408,679	388,321	408,355	89,482	101,973	106,981	109,918	92,623	31,217	27,347	35,516	29.9 -1.0	
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	#DIV/0! 0.0	
<b>Top Countries</b>													
New Zealand	239,876	237,966	255,627	53,638	65,784	67,170	69,035	58,979	20,755	17,430	24,028	37.9 15.8	
Australia	95,104	94,593	93,040	22,705	22,506	24,200	23,629	20,226	6,596	4,783	6,972	45.8 5.7	
Fiji	67,542	52,437	53,839	12,462	12,700	13,041	15,636	12,301	3,599	4,815	4,165	-13.5 15.7	
United States of America	92,621	100,314	92,867	21,503	18,159	24,884	28,321	14,303	7,205	3,150	5,473	73.8 -24.0	
China	107,063	81,607	84,772	16,931	15,440	22,120	30,281	30,374	4,395	5,988	16,128	169.3 266.9	
Hong Kong	20,285	33,544	45,888	7,708	9,225	12,327	16,629	13,141	3,381	2,815	5,281	87.6 56.2	
Indonesia	13,998	10,407	12,325	3,087	2,443	2,835	3,960	3,055	1,067	1,212	1,181	-2.6 10.7	
Japan	44,649	38,474	39,987	5,611	12,660	10,947	10,770	7,551	1,763	1,672	3,269	95.6 85.5	
Malaysia	19,466	7,476	7,022	1,604	1,862	1,379	2,177	1,685	249	533	622	16.6 149.5	
Philippines	2,282	1,137	850	105	134	164	448	662	59	41	599	1,348.6 914.6	
Singapore	130,711	149,180	173,563	32,490	45,982	53,038	42,053	44,569	1,184	13,832	15,380	11.2 1,199.5	
Thailand	24,274	21,893	26,839	5,197	7,684	5,463	8,496	7,662	1,354	2,164	2,708	25.2 100.0	
India	3,161	2,433	5,732	2,069	1,308	856	1,498	1,229	403	195	347	78.2 -13.9	
Korea Democratic People's	3,996	3,338	4,843	662	1,332	1,063	1,786	965	449	0	606	#DIV/0! 35.0	
Korea Republic	1,437	17,088	18,106	7,056	2,974	3,133	4,943	2,526	948	820	824	0.5 -13.0	
Papua New Guinea	823	664	346	72	11	120	143	285	1	6	22	273.5 1,505.9	
Tonga	2,248	187	489	3	102	146	238	58	0	4	38	758.9 #DIV/0!	
Taiwan, Province of China	4,932	1,371	2,433	564	670	915	283	982	136	104	551	430.7 304.3	
Viet Nam	4,560	11,894	3,408	663	809	723	1,214	956	156	157	80	-49.0 -48.8	
Other countries	19,976	34,995	17,466	2,891	5,867	5,601	3,106	5,389	588	2,097	1,990	-5.1 238.5	
<b>Total</b>	<b>899,005</b>	<b>900,997</b>	<b>939,443</b>	<b>197,020</b>	<b>227,652</b>	<b>250,123</b>	<b>264,649</b>	<b>226,898</b>	<b>54,288</b>	<b>61,818</b>	<b>90266</b>	<b>46.0</b>	<b>66.3</b>

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