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## MONTHLY EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS

**MAY 2021**

### 1. Balance of Trade

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 70,520.6 million in May 2021, increased by 53.8 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2020 and by 15.0 percent compared with the previous month. Trade ratio increased from 3.9 percent in April 2021 to 4.0 percent in May 2021. (Table 1).

**Table 1: Summary of External Merchandise Trade**

Description	<i>Value in Million TZS</i>		
	May 2020	April 2021	May 2021
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>2,723.0</b>	<b>2,470.2</b>	<b>2,952.7</b>
Domestic exports	2,548.6	2,238.9	2,935.8
Re-exports	174.4	231.3	16.9
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>48,575.6</b>	<b>63,777.7</b>	<b>73,473.3</b>
<b>Total International Trade (A + B)</b>	<b>51,298.6</b>	<b>66,247.9</b>	<b>76,426.0</b>
<b>Trade Deficit (A - B)</b>	<b>-45,852.6</b>	<b>-61,307.5</b>	<b>-70,520.6</b>
<b>Trade ratio (A/B) *100</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>4.0</b>

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

### 2. Exports Statistics

May 2021 recorded a total exports value of TZS 2,952.7 million, increased by 8.4 percent compared to May 2020 and by 19.5 percent compared to previous month. Food and live animals section contributed 76.5 percent (TZS 2,259.1 million) of the total exports in May 2021 (table2).

**Table 2: Total Exports of goods by S.I.T.C Section***Value in Million TZS*

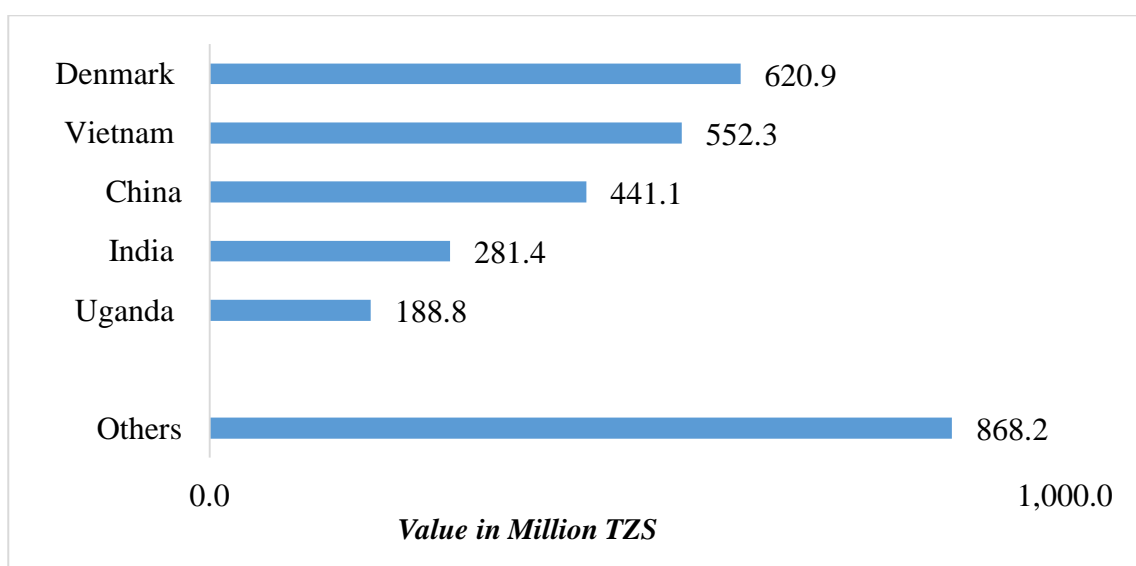
SITC Description	May 2020	April 2021	May 2021
Food and live animals	2,411.6	1,880.2	2,259.1
Beverages and tobacco	6.0	4.8	-
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	21.1	228.9	308.6
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	-	-
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	-	121.4	-
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	2.1	78.7	3.4
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	2.0	23.5	316.4
Machinery and transport equipment	271.5	99.5	45.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	8.6	33.2	19.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,723.0</b>	<b>2,470.2</b>	<b>2,952.7</b>

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

### 3. Exports by Top Five Partner in May 2021

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the May 2021 accounted 70.6 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destination was Denmark that accounted 21.0 percent (TZS 620.9 million) of the total export in May 2021(Figure 1).

**Figure 1: Exports value by Top Five (5) Partners in May 2021**



Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

### 4. Imports Statistics

May 2021 recorded a total import value of TZS 73,473.3 million, which increased by 51.3 percent compared to May 2020 and by 15.2 percent compared to previous month.

Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials section contributed 47.0 percent (TZS 34,513.4 million) of the total value imported followed by Machinery and transport equipment (16.4 percent). The performances of other sections are as shown in table 3.

**Table 3: Total Imports of goods by S.I.T.C section**

SITC DESCRIPTION	Value in Million TZS		
	May 2020	April 2021	May 2021
Food and live animals	12,464.4	12,445.6	6,672.9
Beverages and tobacco	62.6	445.0	299.2
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	455.7	1,163.2	1,016.5
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	18,294.6	24,355.4	34,513.4
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1,692.5	3,488.9	5,790.2
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	1,094.6	1,954.3	2,149.8
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3,178.6	6,626.3	5,960.1
Machinery and transport equipment	8,474.4	8,131.1	12,016.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,858.0	5,168.0	5,055.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,575.6</b>	<b>63,777.7</b>	<b>73,473.3</b>

*Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam*

## 5. Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

Imported value of consumer goods for May 2021 was TZS 15,542.7 million which decreased by 16.0 percent corresponding to May 2020 and by 28.2 percent compared to previous month.

Imports value of capital goods was TZS 15,577.5 million which increased by 45.8 with corresponding month of 2020 and by 27.9 percent compared to the previous month.

Imported value of intermediary goods was TZS 42,353.1 million which increased by more than hundred percent compared to corresponding month of 2020 and by 41.3 percent compared to previous month (Table 4).

**Table 4: Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)**

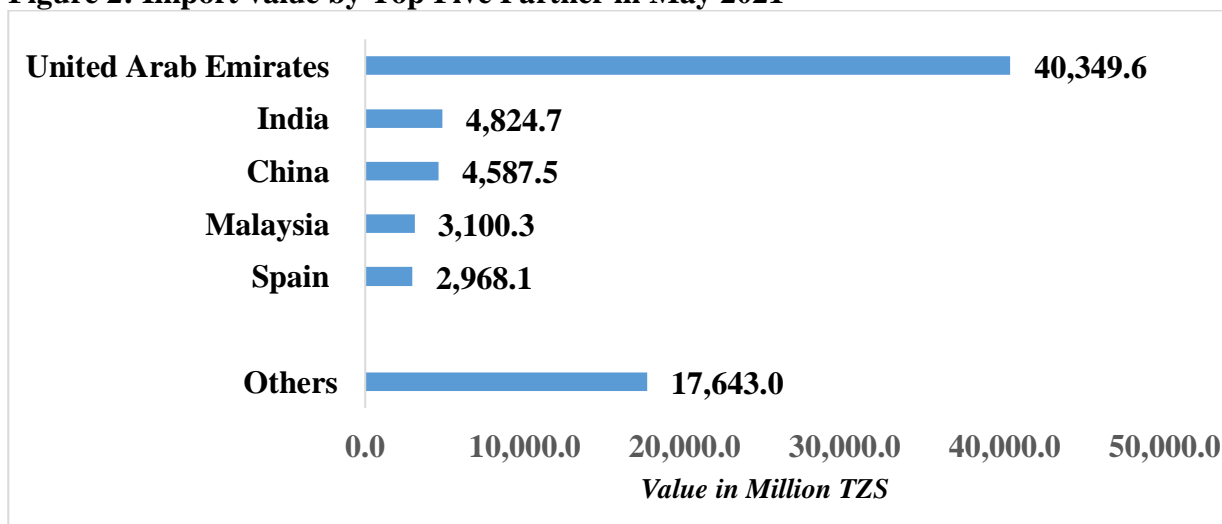
Value in Million TZS

Categories	May 2020	April 2021	May 2021
<b>Capital Goods</b>	<b>10,684.4</b>	<b>12,179.7</b>	<b>15,577.5</b>
<i>Transport Equipment</i>	515.5	4,944.0	2,926.3
<i>Building and Construction material</i>	8,834.4	4,045.2	3,604.5
<i>Machinery</i>	1,334.5	3,190.4	9,046.8
<b>Intermediate Goods</b>	<b>19,380.3</b>	<b>29,964.5</b>	<b>42,353.1</b>
<i>Oil</i>	13.3	24,355.4	34,513.4
<i>Industrial raw materials</i>	19,366.9	5,607.3	7,839.7
<b>Consumer Goods</b>	<b>18,510.9</b>	<b>21,633.5</b>	<b>15,542.7</b>
<i>Food and food stuffs</i>	10,259.0	12,693.6	6,815.1
<i>All other consumer goods</i>	8,251.9	8,939.8	8,727.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,575.6</b>	<b>63,777.7</b>	<b>73,473.3</b>

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

**6. Imports by Top Five Partner in May 2021**

The top five trading partners for imported goods in the May 2021 contributed 76.0 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (54.9 percent, TZS 40,349.6 million).

**Figure 2: Import value by Top Five Partner in May 2021**

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

**Note:**

“- “ = Means no exportation/importation at particular time

C.I. F = Includes Cost, Insurance and Freight

F.O. B = Free in Board

SITC = Standard International Trade Classification (Food and live animals section including Cloves and other spices; seaweeds and other sea products).