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**THE QUARTERLY REPORT OF  
EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS  
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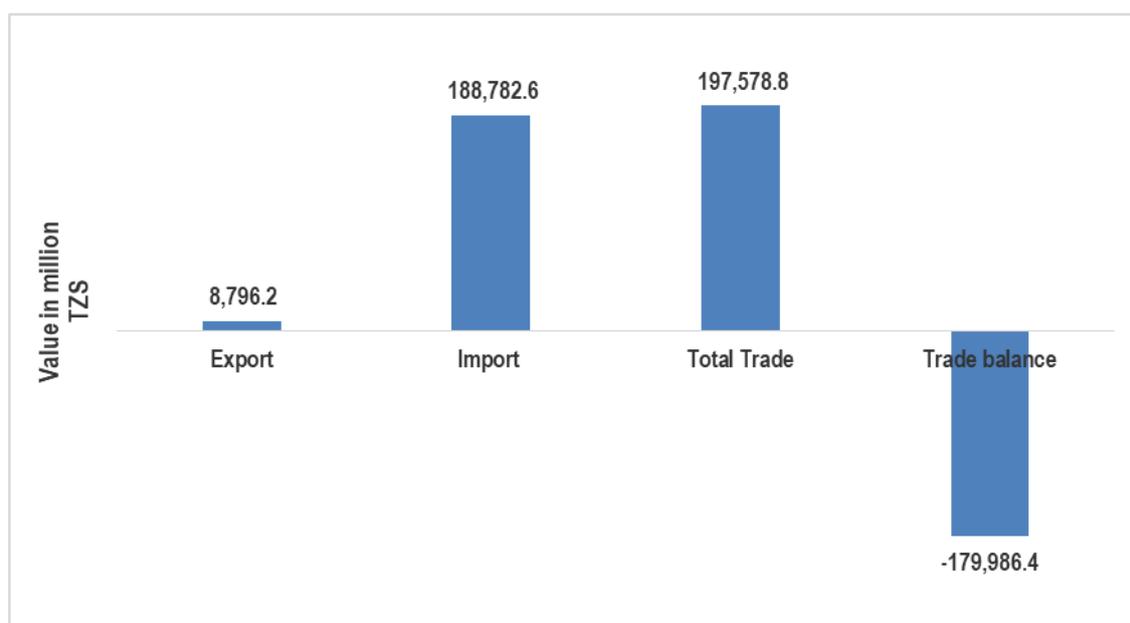
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**1. External Trade Performance.**

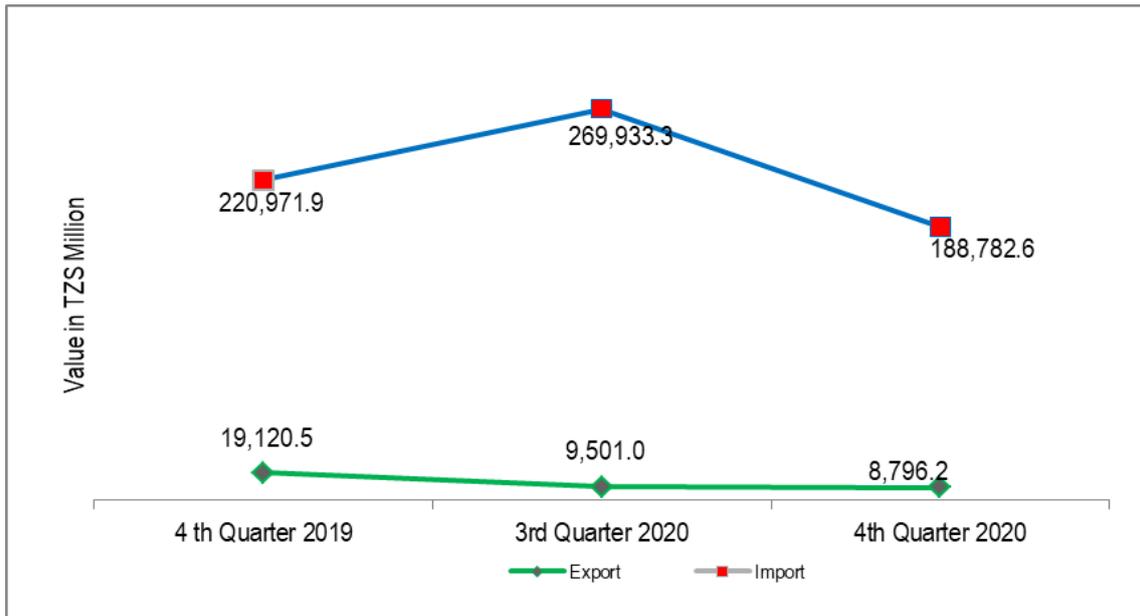
Total trade for the fourth quarter, 2020 reached to TZS 197,578.8 million; in which exports value worth TZS 8,796.2 million (domestic export contributes TZS 6,436.2 million and re-export contributes 2,360.0 TZS million) and import worth TZS 188,782.6 million. The trade balance showed a deficit of TZS 179,986.4 Million (Table 1; figure 1).

**Figure 1: Trade Performance for the Q4, 2020**



The trend indicates that, total exports decreased by 54.0 percent compared with corresponding quarter of 2019 and by 7.4 percent compared with previous quarter. The decreasing of export value is due to low exportation of cloves in this season. Imports value decreased by 14.6 percent and 30.1 compared with corresponding quarter of 2019 and previous quarter respectively (Figure 2).

**Figure 2: Trend Performance of Export and Import, Q4, 2019 – Q3 and Q4, 2020**



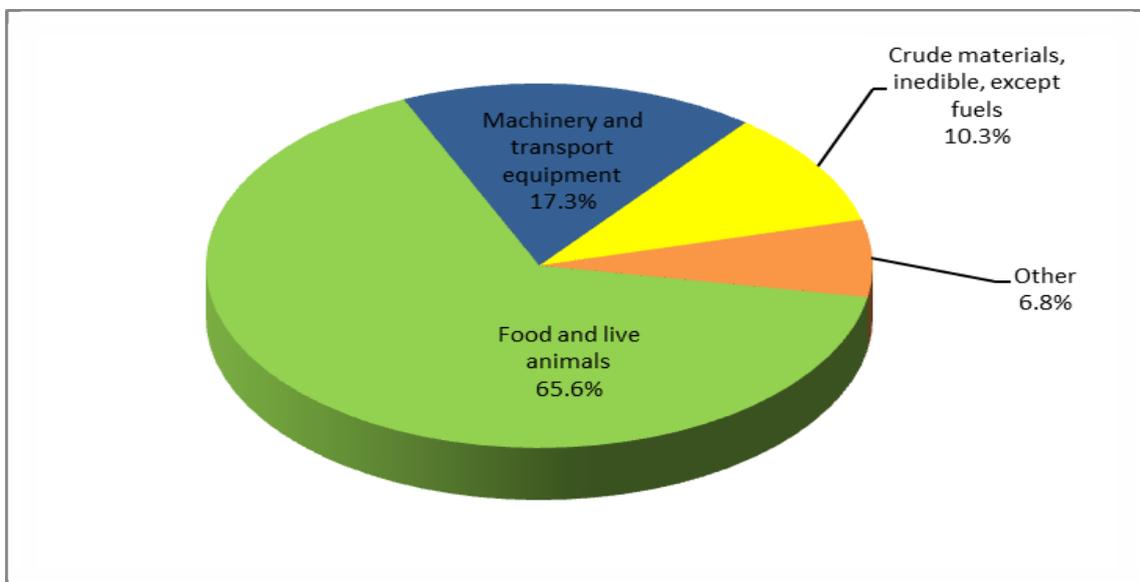
## 2. Exports Statistics

### 2.1. Exports by SITC section

The value of exports includes ‘Export of goods for direct home use, Re-export after outright importation, Re-export after temporary import of goods on hire purchase and re-export after customers warehousing procedure.

In the fourth quarter of 2020, food and live animals section contributed 65.6 percent of the total exports followed by Machinery and transport equipment (17.3 percent) and crude materials, inedible, except fuels (10.3 percent) (Figure 3 and table 2).

**Figure 3: Percentage Distribution of Exports by SITC Section, Q4 2020**

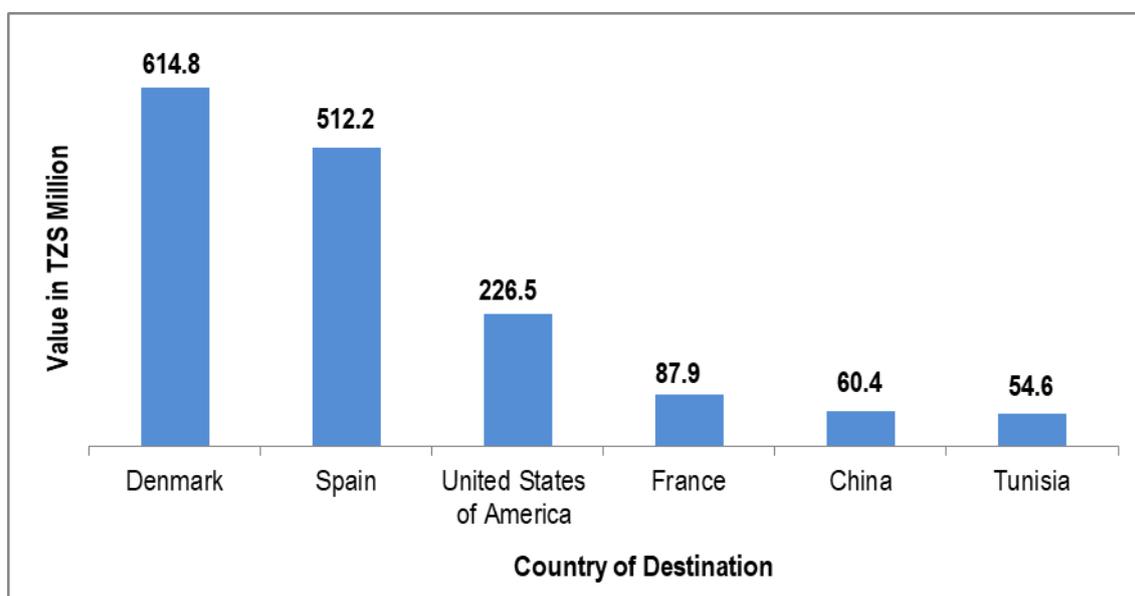


## 2.2. Exports of Main Cash Crops

A total of 1,838.0 tons, valued at TZS 1,556.3 Millions of Seaweeds were exported in the fourth quarter of 2020, showing a decreasing value by 31.4 percent compared with the corresponding quarter of 2019 and by 46.6 percent compared with the previous quarter (Figure 5 and table 3).

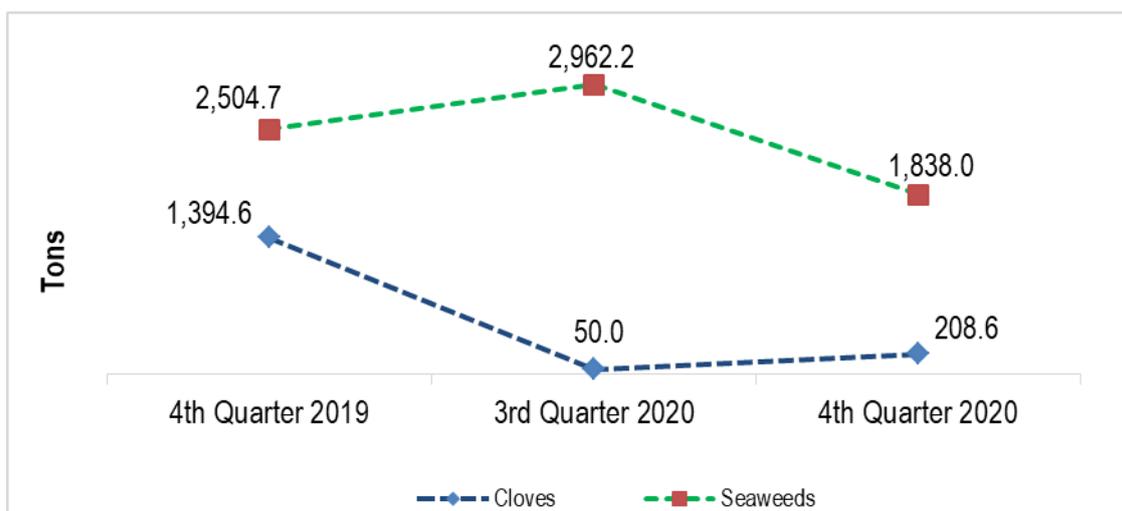
Exports of Seaweeds that contributed 17.7 percent of the total export value was exported to Denmark, Spain, United States of America, France, China, and Tunisia as shown in figure 4.

**Figure 4: Exports of Seaweeds by Countries of Destination, Q4, 2020**



A total of 208.6 tons, valued at TZS 2,319.9 Millions of Cloves were exported in the fourth quarter of 2020, the value has decreased six times compared with corresponding quarter of 2019 and increased by 74.4 percent compared with the previous quarter (figure 5 and table 3). Exports of Cloves that contributed 26.4 percent of the total value were exported to India.

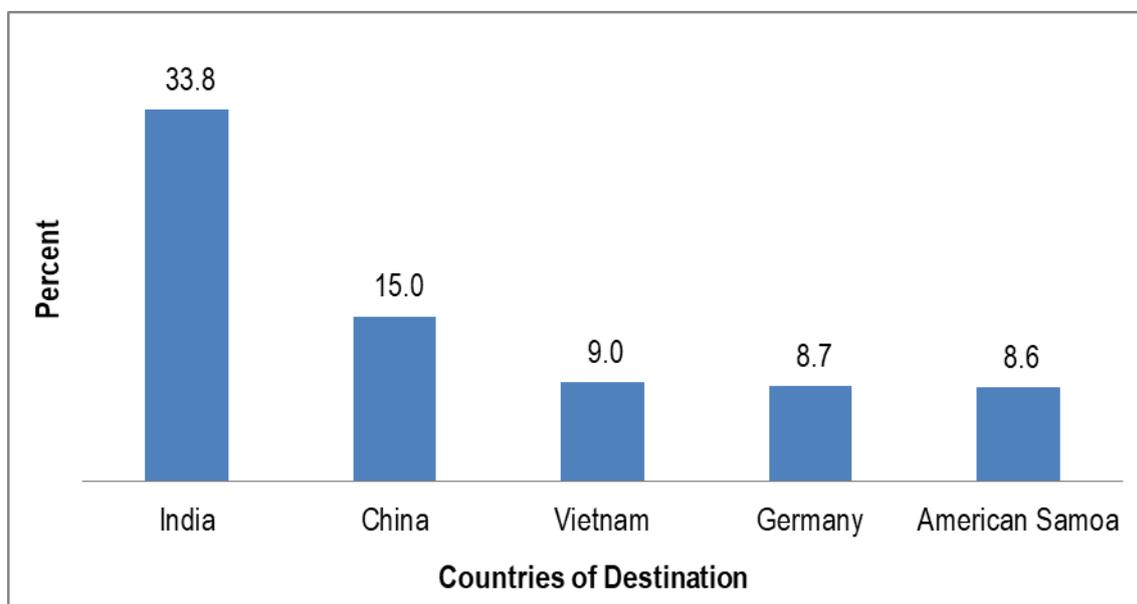
**Figure 5 : Trend of Exported cloves and Seaweeds, Q4, 2019 – Q3 and Q4, 2020**



### 2.3. Exports by Top Five Countries of Destination

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the fourth quarter of 2020 were India, China, Vietnam, Germany and American Samoa with a total value of TZS 6,606.7 million that accounted 75.1 percent of the total value of exported goods (Figure 6).

**Figure 6: Distribution of Exports Value by Top five Countries of Destination, Q4, 2020**



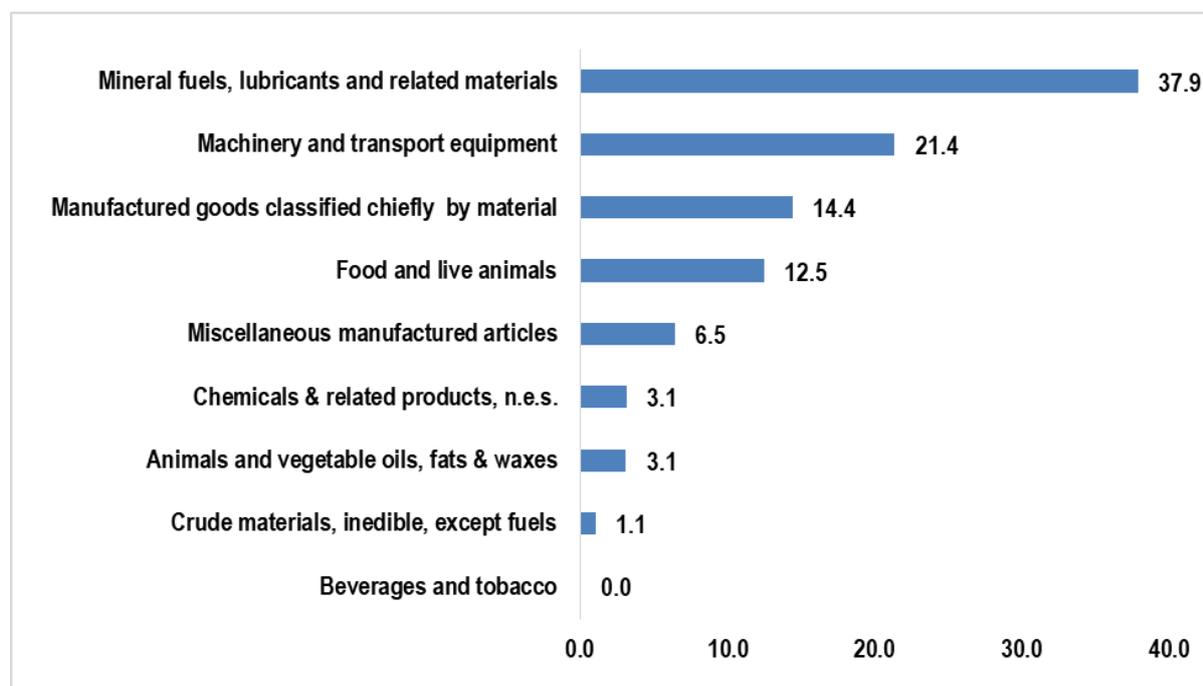
### 3. Imports Statistics

The value of imports includes ‘Importation for direct home use (duty and tax fully paid)’, ‘Importation by, or solely for use in Zanzibar’ and other importation procedure (Excludes all transfer goods).

### 3.1. Imports by SITC Section

In the fourth quarter of 2020, Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials contributed 37.9 percent and Machinery and transport equipment contributed about 21.4 percent of the total import, the performance of other categories are as shown in figure 8 and table 7.

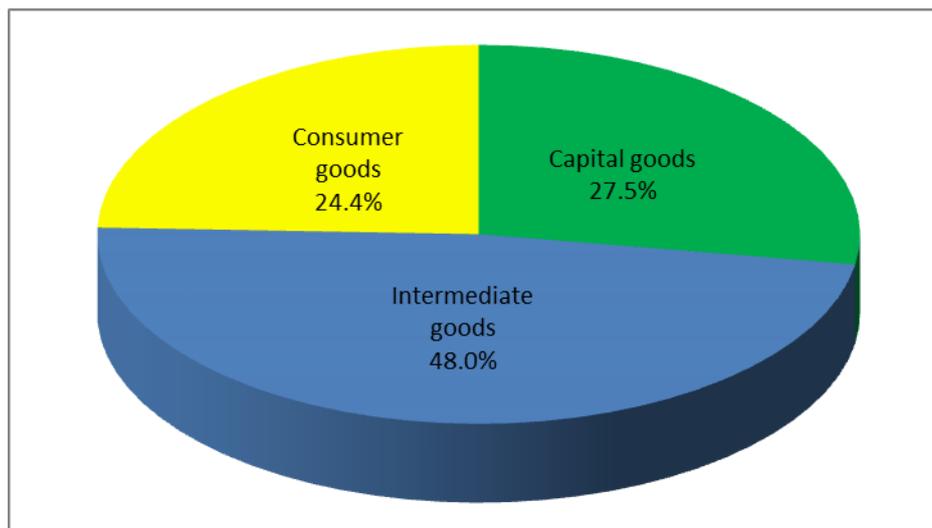
**Figure 7: Percentage Distributions of Imports by SITC Section, Q3, 2020.**



### 3.2. Import by Categories

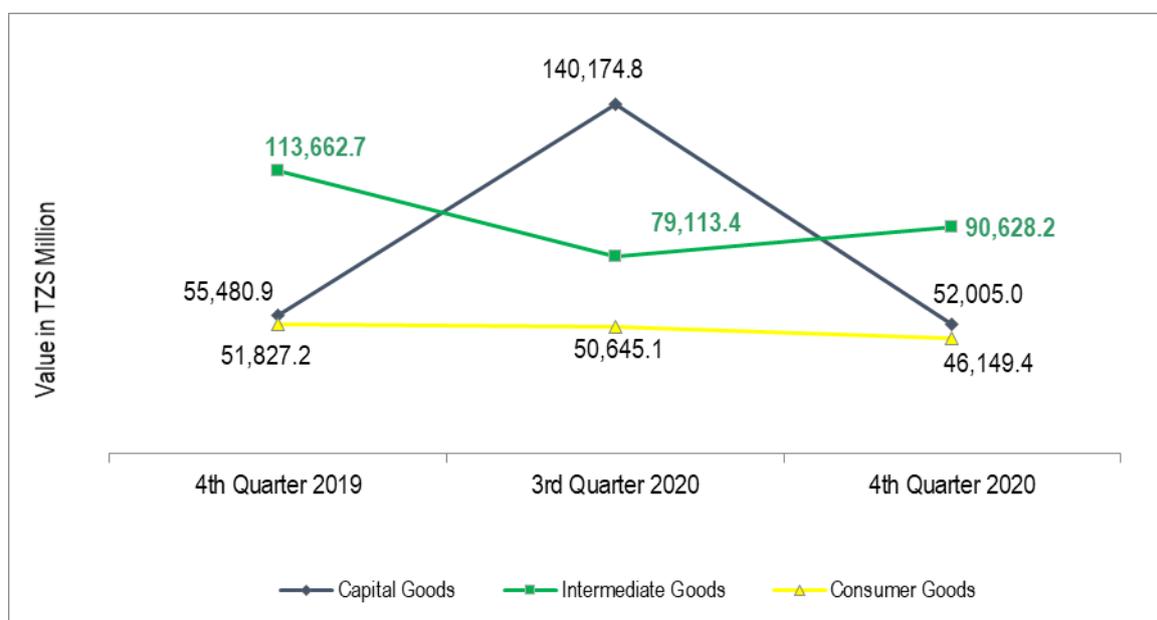
In the fourth quarter, import of intermediate goods reached to TZS 90,628.2 million of total import (48.0 percent) while capital goods reached to TZS 52,005.0 million (27.5 percent) and import of consumer goods for the fourth quarter of 2020 reached to TZS 46,149.4 million (24.4 percent) (Figure 8 and table 7).

**Figure 8: Percent Distribution of Import Value by Categories, Q3, 2020.**



The Imported value of consumer goods for the fourth quarter was lower by 11.0 percent and 8.9 percent than the corresponding and previous quarter respectively. Imports of capital goods decreased by 6.3 percent compared with corresponding quarter and by 62.9 percent compared to the previous quarter. Import of intermediary goods was lower by 20.3 percent and higher by 14.6 percent than the corresponding quarter and previous quarter respectively (Figure 9 and Table 7).

**Figure 9: Import by Categories, Q4, 2019 – Q3 and Q4, 2020.**



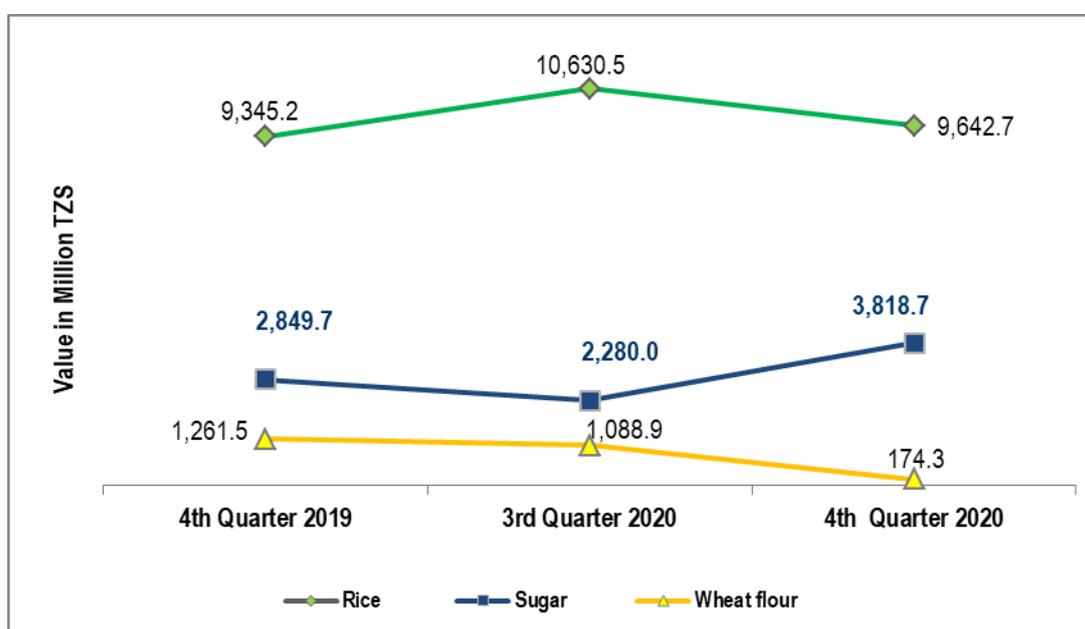
### 3.3. Imports of Basic Food

Rice, Sugar and Wheat flour are the main food consumed in Zanzibar. These foods imported from different markets worldwide. Import of rice for the fourth quarter of 2020 amounted to

19,831.4 tons, worth TZS 9,642.7 Million while import of sugar is about 8,673.8 tons (TZS 3,818.7 Million) and imported wheat flour is about 360.0 tons (TZS 174.3 Million).

Trend shows that imported value of rice increased by 3.2 percent compared to corresponding quarter and decreased by 9.3 percent compared with the previous quarter, imported value of sugar increased by 34.0 percent and 67.5 percent compared with corresponding and previous quarter respectively; and imported value of wheat flour decreased by 86.2 and 84.0 percent compared with corresponding and the previous quarter of 2020 respectively. (Figure 10 and Table 8).

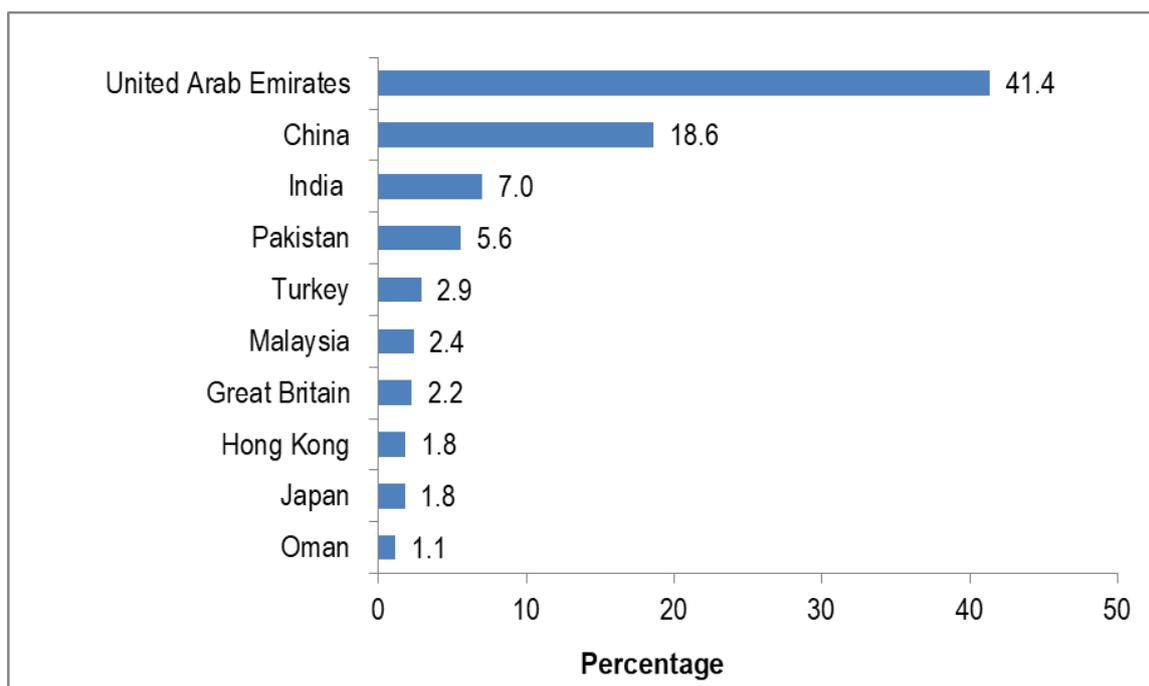
**Figure 10: Imports of Rice, Sugar and Wheat Flour, Q4, 2019 – Q3 and Q4, 2020**



### 3.4. Imports by Country of Origin

The top ten trading partners for imported goods in the fourth quarter of 2020 contributed a value of TZS 160,443.9 million, equivalent to 85.0 percent of the total import. United Arab Emirates was the top by accounting 41.4 percent of the value of the imported goods. (Figure 11 and table 9).

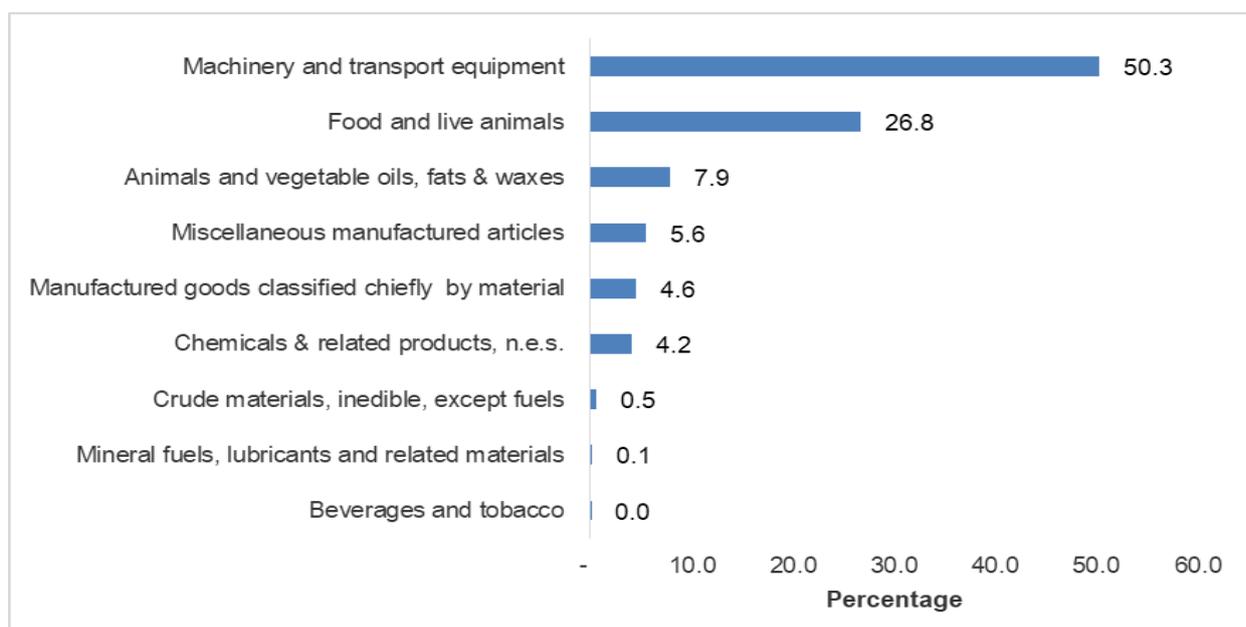
**Figure 11: Distribution of TOP Ten Imports by Countries of Origin Q3, 2020**



#### 4. Transferred goods

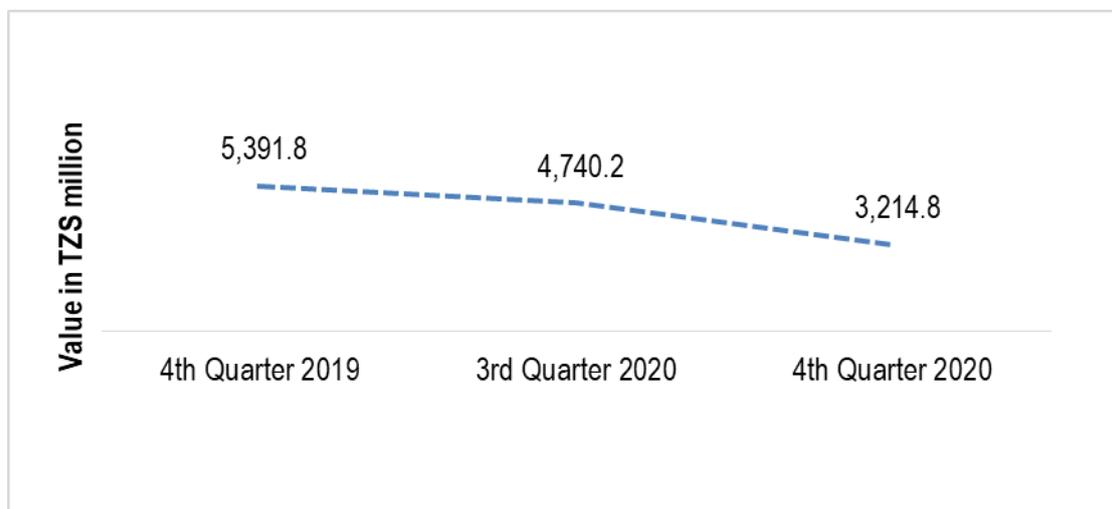
A total of goods worth TZS 3,214.8 Million transferred to Tanzania Mainland from Zanzibar in the fourth quarter of 2020. Figure 13 shows that 50.3 percent (TZS 1,617.7 Million) of the total value of transferred goods were machinery and transport equipment; while 26.8 percent (TZS 860.5 Million) were Food and live animals; the performance of other transferred goods are as shown in figure 12 and Table 10.

**Figure 12: Percentage Distribution of Transferred Goods from Zanzibar to Tanzania Mainland by SITC Section, Q3, 2020**



The trend shows that value of transferred goods to Tanzania Mainland from Zanzibar decreased by 40.4 percent compared with the corresponding quarter and by 32.2 percent compared with previous quarter of 2020. (Figure 13 and Table 10).

**Figure 13: Transferred Goods from Zanzibar to Tanzania Mainland, Q4, 2019 – Q3 and Q4, 2020**



## 5. Annex Table

**Table 1: Total Trade Value and Balance of Trade, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

Description	Value in Million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3rd Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
Exports	19,120.5	9,501.0	8,796.2
<i>Domestics export</i>	18,713.8	6,398.3	6,436.2
<i>Re-export</i>	406.7	3,102.7	2,360.0
Imports	220,971.9	269,933.3	188,782.6
Total Trade Value	240,092.4	279,434.3	197,578.8
Balance Trade	-201,851.4	-260,432.3	-179,986.4
<b><i>Mean Exchange Rate (USD)</i></b>	<b><i>2,289.1</i></b>	<b><i>2,297.6</i></b>	<b><i>2,297.7</i></b>

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

**Table 2: Exports by SITC Section, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

SITC Section	Value in million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3rd Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
Food and live animals	18,160.4	5,367.0	5,766.0
Beverages and tobacco	64.5	55.2	24.5
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	110.1	2,972.8	907.3
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	-	-
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1.0	-	-
Chemicals & related products, not elsewhere specified.	99.7	410.6	301.2
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	87.1	186.9	175.0
Machinery and transport equipment	536.7	261.0	1,521.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	61.0	247.3	100.6
Other	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,120.5</b>	<b>9,501.0</b>	<b>8,796.2</b>

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

**Table 3: Quantity and Value of Exported Main Cash Crops, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

Quarters	Value in Million TZS			
	Cloves		Seaweeds	
	Tons	Value	Tons	Value
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	1,394.6	14,417.9	2,504.7	2,268.9
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020	50.0	594.4	2,962.2	2,916.4
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020	208.6	2,319.9	1,838.0	1,556.3

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) Headquarters Dar-es- salaam

**Table 4: Exports by Countries of Destination, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

	Value in million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
China	456.0	733.9	1,321.3
Comoros	180.0	167.2	89.4
Denmark	1,164.3	1,607.2	614.8
France	665.0	439.0	96.8
Germany	76.1	26.4	764.5
Great Britain	1.8	0.5	2.5
Hong Kong	245.1	22.0	13.5
India	10,772.2	758.7	2,973.5
Indonesia	-	407.6	-
Kenya	160.1	18.5	450.6
Mozambique	2.1	-	-
Netherlands	40.4	45.9	34.1
Oman	73.3	-	32.3
Pakistan	102.5	11.8	-
Singapore	3,632.2	-	-
South Africa	5.9	14.3	0.9
Spain	191.6	131.7	439.0
United Arab Emirates	68.8	260.0	13.4
United States of America	481.6	655.5	265.8
Vietnam	613.4	764.0	791.0
Other	188.1	3,436.8	892.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,120.5</b>	<b>9,501.0</b>	<b>8,796.2</b>

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) Headquarters Dar-es- salaam

**Table 5: Value of Exports by Section, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

Section Description	Value in Million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
Live animals; animal's products.	758.6	801.1	828.7
Vegetable products	16,745.6	3,527.6	4,705.8
Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes	1.0	-	-
Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	722.6	1,093.6	921.2
Mineral products	-	-	3.1
Products of the chemical or allied industries	49.5	410.6	301.2
Plastic & articles thereof, rubber and articles thereof	83.0	34.1	23.7
Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silk-worm gut)	4.0	22.7	8.0
Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork and articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basket ware and wickerwork	5.7	-	8.0
Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; recovered (waste and scrap) paper or paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof	1.6	0.4	0.1
Textiles & textiles articles	53.4	3,122.5	177.9
Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	13.0	-	0.2
Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass and glassware	20.7	-	11.4
Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelers; coin	0.1	-	-
Base metal & articles of base metal	98.1	88.4	255.1
Machinery and mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles	238.9	258.3	1,513.6
Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment	297.8	3.7	7.6
Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; clocks and watches; musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof	3.6	105.6	0.5
Arms and ammunition; parts and accessories thereof.	-	-	-
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	23.4	32.5	30.2
Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,120.5</b>	<b>9,501.0</b>	<b>8,796.2</b>

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) Headquarters Dar-es- salaam

**Table 6: Imports by SITC Section, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

SITC Section	Value in million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
Food and live animals	24,023.9	19,013.6	23,552.7
Beverages and tobacco	324.4	45.7	50.6
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	2,821.7	3,110.3	2,004.0
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	90,250.8	59,223.6	71,588.4
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	7,991.1	7,964.0	5,870.6
Chemicals & related products, not elsewhere specified	6,684.2	12,121.5	5,927.0
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	23,958.7	32,646.5	27,244.5
Machinery and transport equipment	48,427.8	119,039.5	40,363.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	16,489.2	16,768.6	12,181.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>220,971.9</b>	<b>269,933.3</b>	<b>188,782.6</b>

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) Headquarters Dar-es- salaam

**Table 7: Import by Categories, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

Categories	Value in Million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
<b>Capital Goods</b>	<b>55,480.9</b>	<b>140,174.8</b>	<b>52,005.0</b>
<i>Transport Equipment</i>	32,432.8	6,697.3	10,032.7
<i>Building and Construction material</i>	6,781.0	76,081.8	11,716.4
<i>Machinery</i>	16,267.1	57,395.6	30,255.8
<b>Intermediate Goods</b>	<b>113,662.7</b>	<b>79,113.4</b>	<b>90,628.2</b>
<i>Oil</i>	91,500.5	38,249.9	71,588.4
<i>Industrial raw materials</i>	22,162.2	40,842.3	19,039.0
<b>Consumer Goods</b>	<b>51,827.2</b>	<b>50,645.1</b>	<b>46,149.4</b>
<i>Food and food stuffs</i>	22,862.8	17,876.5	23,223.2
<i>All other consumer goods</i>	28,964.4	32,768.6	22,926.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>220,970.8</b>	<b>269,933.3</b>	<b>188,782.6</b>

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

**Table 8: Imports of Basic Food, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

Year	Value in Million TZS					
	Rice		Sugar		Wheat flour	
	Tons	Value	Tons	Value	Tons	Value
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019</b>	20,565.4	9,345.2	6,193.0	2,849.7	2,847.0	1,261.5
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020</b>	22,363.8	10,630.5	6,496.0	2,280.0	2,247.5	1,088.9
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020</b>	19,831.4	9,642.7	8,673.8	3,818.7	360.0	174.3

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)-Zanzibar

**Table 9: Imports by Countries of Origin, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

Country	Value in Million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
United Arab Emirates	99,541.5	68,780.1	78,102.8
China	20,369.3	135,699.1	35,159.3
India	12,768.4	8,621.3	13,276.8
Spain	5,658.2	3,359.8	2,154.3
Japan	6,906.8	2,048.2	3,412.2
Pakistan	6,117.7	8,386.7	10,560.1
Swaziland	12.3	9.9	-
Singapore	1,812.7	769.6	309.5
South Africa	1,942.4	1,322.6	589.1
Malaysia	5,163.4	5,589.8	4,533.2
Turkey	2,861.9	2,661.1	5,506.3
Brazil	3,378.8	203.7	456.5
Vietnam	904.9	103.9	71.8
Indonesia	2,203.0	2,443.6	1,521.5
Great Britain	1,930.0	2,216.4	4,240.6
Hong Kong	3,952.8	2,211.1	3,483.0
United States of America	1,694.2	968.9	1,358.5
Netherlands Antilles	3.9	132.3	-
Thailand	760.4	578.6	633.0
Netherlands	1,056.4	882.4	885.3
Italy	804.3	533.9	1,454.4
Oman	3,511.4	5,037.4	2,169.5
Other	37,617.5	17,372.9	18,904.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>220,971.9</b>	<b>269,933.3</b>	<b>188,782.6</b>

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) Headquarters Dar-es- salaam

**Table 10: Transfer of Imported Goods from Zanzibar to Tanzania Mainland, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

SITC Section	Value in Million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
Food and live animals	2,068.5	1,544.9	860.5
Beverages and tobacco	0.0	0.6	0.1
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	8.4	23.8	17.4
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	13.4	2.7	4.3
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	422.9	471.2	254.4
Chemicals & related products, not elsewhere specified	802.1	372.9	133.8
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	242.7	228.7	147.5
Machinery and transport equipment	1,727.1	1,807.3	1,617.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	106.8	288.2	179.1
Other	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,391.8</b>	<b>4,740.2</b>	<b>3,214.8</b>

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**Table 11: Imports by Section, Q4, 2019 – Q3 & Q4, 2020**

Section Description	Value in Million TZS		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020
Live animals; animal's products.	2,634.6	6,203.8	1,814.1
Vegetable products	16,597.5	10,601.4	15,806.9
Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes	8,082.3	4,258.7	5,878.3
Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	5,296.7	2,619.4	6,046.7
Mineral products	96,255.4	43,812.9	75,165.6
Products of the chemical or allied industries	6,053.3	28,923.4	5,431.3
Plastic & articles thereof, rubber and articles thereof	6,784.6	5,593.6	3,148.4
Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut(other than silk-worm gut)	128.0	3,838.9	124.1
Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork and articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basket ware and wickerwork	330.7	1,647.2	1,155.2
Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; recovered (waste and scrap) paper or paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof	1,842.7	596.8	2,793.3
Textiles & textiles articles	10,105.8	10,671.0	13,320.7
Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	2,314.9	4,615.5	1,218.3
Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass and glassware	2,616.2	8,355.9	2,295.3
Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelers; coin	50.9	34.2	44.9
Base metal & articles of base metal	4,798.5	69,429.7	9,878.4
Machinery and mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles	16,267.1	57,395.6	30,255.8
Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment	32,432.8	6,697.3	10,032.7
Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; clocks and watches; musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof	3,950.8	1,173.7	1,354.1
Arms and ammunition; parts and accessories thereof.	-	-	-
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4,427.4	3,464.2	3,018.1
Works of art, collectors' pieces & antiques	1.6	-	0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>220,971.9</b>	<b>269,933.3</b>	<b>188,782.6</b>

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