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## **MONTHLY EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS**

**December 2020**

### **1. Balance of Trade**

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 76,513.8 million in December 2020, increased by 7.9 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2019 and by 58.5 percent compared with the previous month. (Table 1).

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

Description	Value in Million TZS		
	December 2019	November 2020	December 2020
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>15,295.7</b>	<b>1,984.2</b>	<b>3,439.8</b>
Domestic exports	15,270.1	1,229.0	2,604.8
Re-exports	25.5	755.2	835.0
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>86,203.5</b>	<b>50,251.1</b>	<b>79,953.5</b>
<b>Total International Trade (A + B)</b>	<b>101,499.1</b>	<b>52,235.3</b>	<b>83,393.3</b>
<b>Trade Deficit (A - B)</b>	<b>-70,907.8</b>	<b>-48,266.8</b>	<b>-76,513.8</b>

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

### **2. Exports Statistics**

December 2020 recorded a total exports value of 3,439.8 million, decreased by 77.5 percent compared to December 2019 and increased by 73.4 percent compared to previous month. Food and live animals section contributed 82.2 percent of the total exports in December 2020 (table 2).

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

<b>SITC DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>December 2019</b>	<b>November 2020</b>	<b>December 2020</b>
Food and live animals	15,161.3	1,102.1	2,829.0
Beverages and tobacco	3.0	19.4	4.0
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	38.0	91.0	227.4
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	-	-
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	-	-	-
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	3.0	4.3	293.7
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	28.6	7.2	15.9
Machinery and transport equipment	52.5	709.2	30.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	9.2	51.0	39.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,295.7</b>	<b>1,984.2</b>	<b>3,439.8</b>

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

### 3. Exports by Top Five Partner in December 2020

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the December 2020 accounted 87.9 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destination was India that accounted 37.3 percent of the total export in December 2020.

**Table 3: Exports value by Top Five (5) Partners in December 2020***Value in Million TZS*

<b>Country</b>	<b>December 2019</b>	<b>November 2020</b>	<b>December 2020</b>
India	10,729.3	71.1	1,282.9
China	138.4	211.2	706.5
Kenya	-	8.8	439.8
Vietnam	-	470.5	320.5
Denmark	-	-	273.4
Other	4,427.9	1,222.6	416.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,295.7</b>	<b>1,984.2</b>	<b>3,439.8</b>

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

### 4. Imports Statistics

December 2020 recorded a total import value of 79,953.5 million, which decreased by 7.3 percent compared to December 2019 and increased by 59.1 percent compared to previous month. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials section contributed 36.0 percent of the

total value imported followed by Machinery and transport equipment (24.1 percent). The performances of other sections are as shown in table 4.

**Table 4: Total Imports of goods by S.I.T.C section**

SITC DESCRIPTION	<i>Value in Million TZS</i>		
	<b>December 2019</b>	<b>November 2020</b>	<b>December 2020</b>
Food and live animals	5,694.8	7,423.4	12,280.7
Beverages and tobacco	74.9	5.6	21.0
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	575.7	1,018.0	940.6
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	32,027.8	18,571.1	28,798.8
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	2,308.0	2,954.7	2,074.8
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	1,622.0	2,768.6	1,224.6
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	6,812.7	6,964.0	11,657.3
Machinery and transport equipment	29,740.0	5,980.0	19,263.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	7,347.5	4,565.6	3,692.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>86,203.5</b>	<b>50,251.1</b>	<b>79,953.5</b>

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

## 5. Import by Categories

December 2020 imported value of consumer goods was 19,362.1 which increased by 24.6 percent compared to December 2019 and by 22.5 percent compared to previous month. Imports value of capital goods was 25,624.7 which decreased by 21.5 compared with corresponding month of 2019 and increased by more than hundred percent compared to the previous month and Imported value of intermediary goods was 34,966.7 which decreased by 8.0 percent compared to corresponding month of 2019 and increased by 33.5 percent compared to previous month (Table 6).

**Table 5: Import by Categories**

<b>Categories</b>	<b>December 2019</b>	<b>November 2020</b>	<b>December 2020</b>
<b>Capital Goods</b>	<b>32,644.8</b>	<b>8,246.8</b>	<b>25,624.7</b>
<i>Transport Equipment</i>	23,741.3	2,971.7	4,241.5
<i>Building and Construction material</i>	2,547.0	2,223.0	6,520.2
<i>Machinery</i>	6,356.5	3,052.1	14,863.0
<b>Intermediate Goods</b>	<b>38,023.9</b>	<b>26,194.8</b>	<b>34,966.7</b>
<i>Oil</i>	32,027.8	18,571.1	28,798.8
<i>Industrial raw materials</i>	5,996.0	7,622.9	6,167.9
<b>Consumer Goods</b>	<b>15,534.8</b>	<b>15,809.5</b>	<b>19,362.1</b>
<i>Food and food stuffs</i>	5,501.9	7,389.1	12,191.4
<i>All other consumer goods</i>	10,032.9	8,420.3	7,170.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>86,203.5</b>	<b>50,251.1</b>	<b>79,953.5</b>

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

## 6. Imports by Top Five Partner in December 2020

The top five trading partners for imported goods in the December 2020 contributed 72.1 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (36.3 percent) and China (18.6 percent).

**Table 5: Import value by Top Five Partner in December 2020**

<b>Country</b>	<i>Value in Million TZS</i>		
	<b>December 2019</b>	<b>November 2020</b>	<b>December 2020</b>
United Arab Emirates	35,259.2	23,056.6	29,003.9
China	6,950.0	5,474.0	14,884.4
Russian Federation	-	50.1	5,544.7
Pakistan	1,823.4	3,663.3	4,479.0
Turkey	838.2	883.0	3,744.4
Others	41,332.7	17,123.9	22,297.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>86,203.5</b>	<b>50,251.1</b>	<b>79,953.5</b>

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

**Note:** - means Nil