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## **MONTHLY EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS**

**JANUARY 2020**

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

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 55,289.8 million in January 2020, lower by 22 percent then the previous month and higher by 9.9 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2019.

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

Description	Value in Million TZS		
	Jan 2019	Dec 2019	Jan 2020
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>1,230.2</b>	<b>15,295.7</b>	<b>19,031.7</b>
Domestic exports	961.5	15,270.1	19,024.1
Re-exports	268.7	25.5	7.6
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>51,522.5</b>	<b>86,203.5</b>	<b>74,321.5</b>
<b>Total International Trade (A + B)</b>	<b>52,752.7</b>	<b>101,499.1</b>	<b>93,353.2</b>
<b>Trade Deficit (A - B)</b>	<b>-50,292.3</b>	<b>-70,907.8</b>	<b>-55,289.8</b>

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

### **2. Exports Statistics**

In January 2020, total exports increased by 24.4 percent compared to previous month and by more than hundred percent compared to January 2019. In January 2020, food and live animals section contributed 98.3 percent of the total exports (table 2).

**Table 2: Total Exports of goods by S.I.T.C section**

*Value in Million TZS*

<b>SITC DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>Jan 2019</b>	<b>Dec 2019</b>	<b>Jan 2020</b>
Food and live animals	1,149.8	15,161.3	18,705.4
Beverages and tobacco	-	3.0	27.0
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	28.0	38.0	85.6
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	-	-
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	-	-	-
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	9.8	3.0	-
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	6.9	28.6	159.2
Machinery and transport equipment	30.9	52.5	16.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4.8	9.2	38.2
Other commodities & transactions (not elsewhere specify)	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,230.2</b>	<b>15,295.7</b>	<b>19,031.7</b>

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

### 3. Exports by Top Ten Partner in January 2020

The top ten trading partners for exported goods in the January 2020 accounted 98.3 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destinations were India (65.2 percent) and Singapore (19.0 percent).

**Table 3: Exports value by Top Ten Partner in January 2020**

*Value in Million TZS*

<b>Country</b>	<b>Jan 2019</b>	<b>Dec 2019</b>	<b>Jan 2020</b>
India	12.0	10,729.3	12,401.3
Singapore	-	3,632.2	3,608.5
Denmark	446.7	-	564.6
Pakistan	-	102.5	546.5
Vietnam	52.9	-	530.1
USA	233.7	207.9	380.5
France	73.3	159.5	241.7
China	26.1	138.4	150.1
Malaysia	-	5.0	142.8
Malawi	-	-	132.9
Others	385.5	321.0	332.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,230.2</b>	<b>15,295.7</b>	<b>19,031.7</b>

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

### 4. Imports Statistics

In January 2020, total imports decreased by 13.8 percent compared to December 2019 and increased by 44.3 percent compared to January 2019. In January 2020, mineral fuels, lubricants

and related materials section contributed 28.1 percent of the total imports followed by food and live animals (25.6 percent) and Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (21.5 percent). The performance of other sections is 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>		
	Jan 2019	Dec 2019	Jan 2020
Food and live animals	5,130.2	5,694.8	19,044.3
Beverages and tobacco	62.0	74.9	59.4
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	232.3	575.7	560.5
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	29,608.7	32,027.8	20,851.2
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	925.7	2,308.0	3,118.4
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	1,644.9	1,622.0	2,773.6
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	4,822.4	6,812.7	15,955.6
Machinery and transport equipment	6,469.6	29,740.0	6,361.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,626.7	7,347.5	5,597.4
Other commodities & transactions (not elsewhere specify)	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,522.5</b>	<b>86,203.5</b>	<b>74,321.5</b>

## 5. Imports by Top Ten Partner in January 2020

The top ten trading partners for imported goods in the January 2020 contributed 89.9 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (31.3 percent), China (16. 7 percent), and Pakistan (15.3 percent).

**Table 5: Import value by Top Ten Partner in January 2020**

Country	<i>Value in Million TZS</i>		
	Jan 2019	Dec 2019	Jan 2020
United Arab Emirates	31,710.7	35,259.2	23,267.9
China	6,403.2	6,950.0	12,405.0
Pakistan	3,771.7	1,823.4	11,354.1
Russian Federation	180.6	-	5,662.2
India	1,345.8	6,323.0	4,654.5
Vietnam	11.2	455.6	2,471.9
South Africa	176.1	639.8	2,300.0
Malaysia	294.6	1,468.6	2,106.7
Turkey	1,051.0	838.2	1,291.4
Oman	43.0	1,313.2	1,291.3
Others	6,534.7	31,132.6	7,516.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,522.5</b>	<b>86,203.5</b>	<b>74,321.5</b>

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**Note:** - means Nil

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