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## **MONTHLY EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS**

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

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 61,307.5 million in April 2021, increased by 99.0 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2020 and decreased by 24.3 percent compared with the previous month. (Table 1).

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

Description	Value in Million TZS		
	April 2020	March 2021	April 2021
<b>A. Total Exports (f.o.b)</b>	<b>2,220.9</b>	<b>3,505.9</b>	<b>2,470.2</b>
Domestic exports	2,220.8	3,489.5	2,238.9
Re-exports	0.1	16.3	231.3
<b>B. Total Imports (c.i.f)</b>	<b>33,026.3</b>	<b>84,474.8</b>	<b>63,777.7</b>
<b>Total International Trade (A + B)</b>	<b>35,247.2</b>	<b>87,980.7</b>	<b>66,247.9</b>
<b>Trade Deficit (A - B)</b>	<b>-30,805.4</b>	<b>-80,969.0</b>	<b>-61,307.5</b>

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

### **2. Exports Statistics**

April 2021 recorded a total exports value of TZS 2,470.2 million, increased by 11.2 percent compared to April 2020 and decreased by 29.5 percent compared to previous month. Food and live animals section contributed 76.1 percent (TZS 1,880.2 million) of the total exports in April 2021 (table 2).

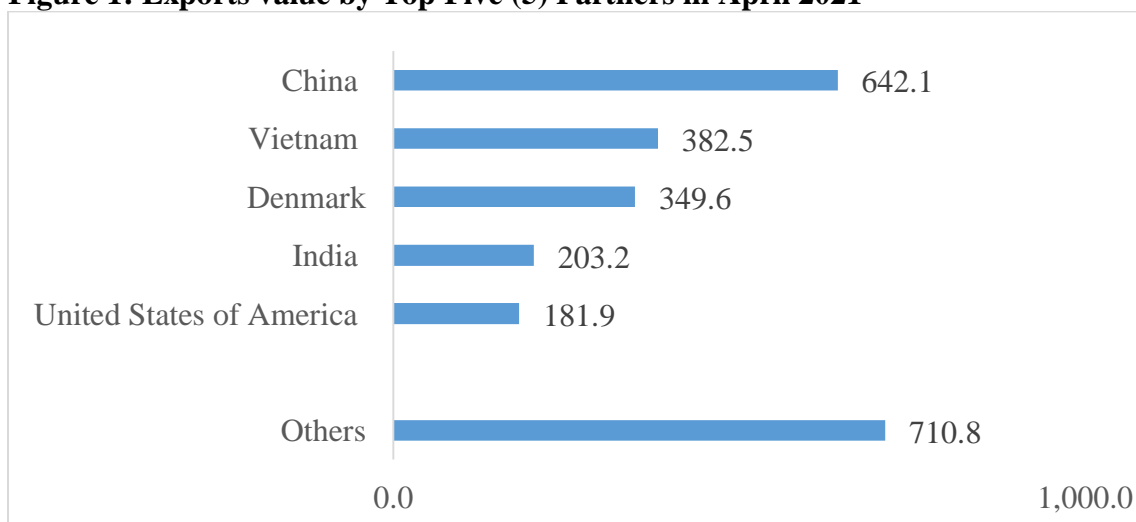
**Table 2: Total Exports of goods by S.I.T.C Section**

SITC Description	Value in Million TZS		
	April 2020	March 2021	April 2021
Food and live animals	2,140.2	2,332.7	1,880.2
Beverages and tobacco	-	-	4.8
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	28.2	232.8	228.9
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	-	-
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	-	-	121.4
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	-	365.1	78.7
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	0.6	49.1	23.5
Machinery and transport equipment	34.2	44.2	99.5
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	17.6	482.0	33.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,220.9</b>	<b>3,505.9</b>	<b>2,470.2</b>

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

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

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the April 2021 accounted 71.2 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destination was China that accounted 26.0 percent (TZS 642.1 million) of the total export in April 2021 (Figure 1).

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

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

### 4. Imports Statistics

April 2021 recorded a total import value of TZS 63,777.7 million, which increased by 93.1 percent compared to April 2020 and decreased by 24.5 percent compared to previous month.

Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials section contributed 38.2 percent (TZS 24,355.4 million) of the total value imported followed by Food and live animals (19.5 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		
	April 2020	March 2021	April 2021
Food and live animals	8,851.6	7,555.3	12,445.6
Beverages and tobacco	54.5	356.2	445.0
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	418.1	1,522.6	1,163.2
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	9,557.5	36,417.5	24,355.4
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1,633.9	4,778.3	3,488.9
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	954.9	6,474.2	1,954.3
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	4,206.9	11,583.1	6,626.3
Machinery and transport equipment	5,308.2	8,695.5	8,131.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,040.8	7,092.1	5,168.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,026.3</b>	<b>84,474.8</b>	<b>63,777.7</b>

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

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

April 2021 imported value of consumer goods was TZS 21,633.5 million which increased by 76.0 percent compared to April 2020 and decreased by 7.4 percent compared to previous month. Imports value of capital goods was TZS 12,179.7 million which increased by 88.3 compared with corresponding month of 2020 and by 1.9 percent compared to the previous month and Imported value of intermediary goods was TZS 29,964.5 million which increased by more than hundred percent compared to corresponding month of 2020 and decreased by 39.0 percent compared to previous month (Table 4).

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

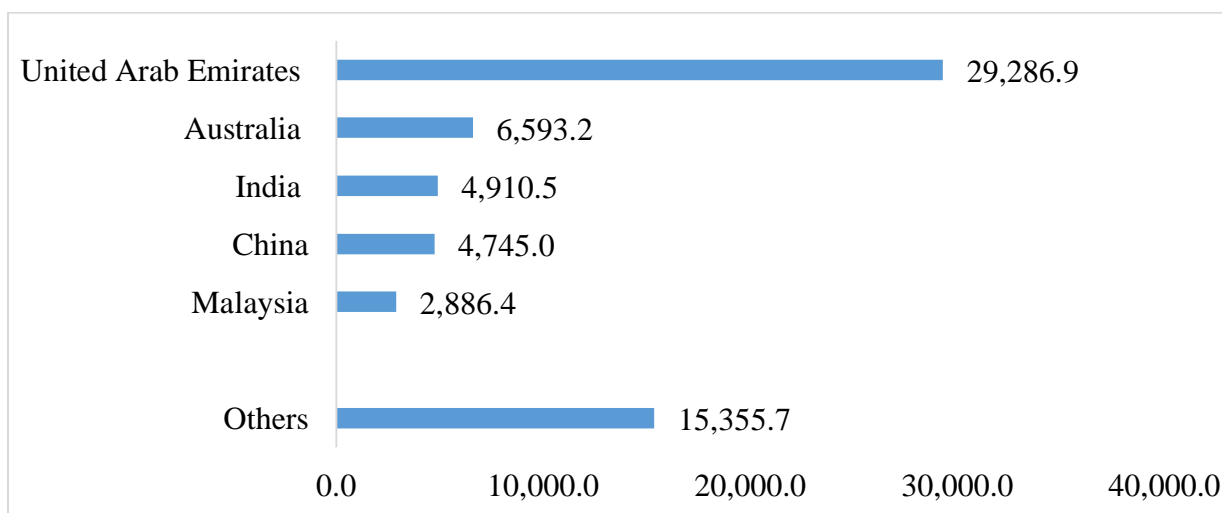
Value in Million TZS

Categories	April 2020	March 2021	April 2021
<b>Capital Goods</b>	<b>6,467.9</b>	<b>11,952.6</b>	<b>12,179.7</b>
<i>Transport Equipment</i>	1,877.5	2,996.4	4,944.0
<i>Building and Construction material</i>	1,153.6	3,409.7	4,045.2
<i>Machinery</i>	3,436.9	5,546.5	3,190.4
<b>Intermediate Goods</b>	<b>14,268.9</b>	<b>49,160.1</b>	<b>29,964.5</b>
<i>Oil</i>	9,557.5	36,417.5	24,355.4
<i>Industrial raw materials</i>	4,711.4	12,742.6	5,607.3
<b>Consumer Goods</b>	<b>12,289.4</b>	<b>23,362.2</b>	<b>21,633.5</b>
<i>Food and food stuffs</i>	8,098.6	7,815.6	12,693.6
<i>All other consumer goods</i>	4,190.8	15,546.6	8,939.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,026.3</b>	<b>84,474.8</b>	<b>63,777.7</b>

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

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

The top five trading partners for imported goods in the April 2021 contributed 75.9 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (45.9 percent, TZS 29,286.9 million) and Australia (10.3 percent, TZS 6,593.2 million).

**Figure 2: Import value by Top Five Partner in April 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

Food and live animals section **including** Cloves and other spices; seaweeds and other sea products