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Statistics update

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS

Vanuatu National Statistics Office (VNSO) from 2020 is giving its International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) an improved form and more information with an intent to satisfy user demands. The new and improved IMTS includes trade classified using the internationally recommended:

- Harmonised System (HS);
- Standard International Trade Classification (SITC); and
- Broad Economic Category (BEC).

It contains data on imports, exports and re-exports by:

- Principal imports, exports and re-exports;
- Major trading partners; and
- Major regions Vanuatu trades with.

A table has been included on the mode of transport used for trading.

A valuable addition to the list of IMTS tables is the retained imports that have been used to calculate the:

- Consumption goods;
- Intermediate goods; and
- Investment goods.

The new set of tables will allow better comparison of Vanuatu IMTS regionally and internationally.

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JANUARY 2021 – PROVISIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

January 2021 compared to January 2020

Merchandise Export

The total value of merchandise exports decreased by 37 percent or (VT 157 million) from VT 429 million to VT 272 million in January 2021. Domestic export earnings (excluding re-exports) for January 2021 stood at VT 260 million, decreased by 12 percent or VT 36 million over January 2020. (Refer to Table 1&3). This decrease was due to reductions in two main export categories:

- ◆ (HS Section IV 16-24) - prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco
- ◆ (HS Section I - 01-05) - live animals: animal products

Merchandise Import

The total value of merchandise imports decreased by 24 per cent or (VT 732 million) to VT 2,363 million in January 2021 compared to VT 3,095 million in January 2020. (Refer to Table 1&2). This monthly decrease was due to reductions in three main import categories:

- ◆ (HS Section XVI 84-85) - vehicles aircraft & associated transport equipment
- ◆ (HS Section XVII 86-89) - machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof and base metals & articles thereof

Trade Balance

The total value of merchandise import stood at (VT 2,363 million) exceeded that of export by VT 272 million resulting in a deficit balance at (VT 2,092 million) in January 2021.

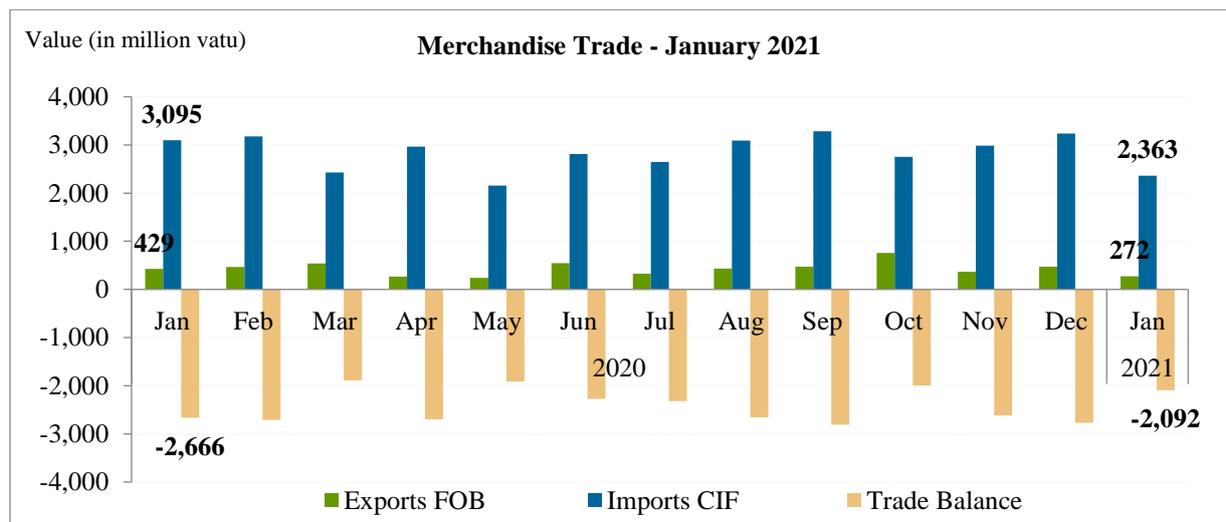


Figure 1: Terms of trade –All items

EXPORT

Main commodities: The main export commodity group that recorded decreases in January 2021 were: re-exported goods and other products representing respectively 91 and 86 percent of exported goods. However, kava exports recorded a significant increase at 55 percent, representing 67 percent share to total exports. The bulk of kava were exported to Kiribati, USA and Fiji. Other products comprised mainly of other frozen fish and scrap metal, while fuels, alcoholic drinks, tobacco and cigarettes made up the total to re-export in January 2021. *(Refer to Table 6)*

Main export market destination in January 2021, led by Fiji accounted for 16 percent share of total merchandise exports value, followed by New Caledonia, China and Australia, at 12, 11 and 9 percent shares respectively of total exports. According to changes in value between countries, New Zealand and China recorded falls in export value 94 and 67 percent respectively during the month, reflecting reductions in kava, coffee, food supplements, sandalwood logs and noni juice over the same period of the previous year. *(Refer to Table 8)*. The Asia region recorded a significant decrease by 63 percent or (VT 626 million) to the export value compared to January 2020. *(Refer to Table 9)*.

Mode of transport in January 2021, “Sea” recorded largest share of total exports accounted for 77 percent and 19 percent recorded for “Air” respectively. *(Refer to Table 10)*.

IMPORT

Main commodities which reflected decreases in January 2021 were: motor vehicles for transport of goods and passengers, almost 90 per cent or (VT 86 million), followed by Telephone sets, including telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks and Articles of iron or steel at 52 and 44 percent respectively compared to January 2020. *(Refer to Table 7)*.

Major source markets registered top four countries: Singapore (22) percent, Australia (20) percent, Fiji (16) percent and New Caledonia (12) percent, consequently accounting for 70 percent share to total imports value in January 2021. *(Refer to Table 8)*. The main origin of imports by region recorded Asia leading shares at 57 percent followed by Oceania 38 percent to total imports in January 2021. *(Refer to Table 9)*.

Mode of Transport shares to total imports registered 79 per cent by “Sea” and 9 per cent by “Air” in January 2021. *(Refer to Table 10)*

End use categories of retained imports (BEC) comprised of consumption goods at 33 percent or (VT 786 million), intermediated goods at 30 percent or (VT 703 million) and capital goods at 17 percent or (VT 392 million) to total retained imports in January 2021. *(Refer to Table 14)*

ATTACHMENTS

Appendix 1: Tables

Appendix 2: Explanatory notes

Appendix 3: HS Sections and Chapters

Appendix 1 IMTS Tables

Table No	Table title	Status
1	Balance of trade - all items	Included
2	Imports by HS	Included
3	Exports by HS	Included
4	Re-exports by HS	Included. Data on re-exports are available from August 2017. Prior to that they were included with exports.
5	Total exports by HS	Included
6	Principal exports	Included
7	Principal imports	Included
8	Balance of trade by major partner countries	Included
9	Trade by region	Included
10	Trade by mode of transport	Included
11	Trade by preferential trade agreements	Not included. This table will be compiled as soon as data on goods subject to preferences are made available from the source.
12	Exports by SITC	Included
13	Imports by SITC	Included
14	Retained imports classified by BEC	Included

Table 1	BALANCE OF TRADE - ALL ITEMS					
	[VT Million]					
		Exports FOB			Imports CIF	Trade Balance
Periods		Exports	Re-exports	Total		Surplus(+) / Deficit(-)
ANNUALLY						
2017		5,916	447	6,363	42,622	-36,259
2018		4,841	1,920	6,761	43,002	-36,241
2019		5,222	1,186	6,408	40,950	-34,542
2020 (P)		4,650	657	5,308	34,620	-28,655
2021(P) YTD		260	11	272	2,363	-2,092
MONTHLY						
2020	January	296	132	429	3,095	-2,666
	February	331	132	464	3,174	-2,711
	March	345	191	536	2,427	-1,891
	April	225	45	270	2,964	-2,694
	May	223	20	243	2,159	-1,916
	June	504	40	544	2,814	-2,270
	July	311	16	327	2,645	-2,318
	August	414	19	432	3,088	-2,656
	September	463	10	472	3,282	-2,810
	October	735	20	755	2,751	-1,996
	November	350	14	364	2,982	-2,618
	December	453	18	472	3,239	-2,767
2021	January	260	11	272	2,363	-2,092
<i>Notes:</i>	<i>Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.</i>					
<i>Data on re-exports are available from August 2017. Prior to that they were included with exports.</i>						
<i>Data source: Customs and Enterprises (P) Provisional</i>						

Table 2													
IMPORTS BY HS													
[VT Million]													
HS Sections		I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	
		Live animals: animal products	Vegetable products	Animal or vegetable oils & fats	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco	Mineral products	Chemicals and allied products	Plastic, rubber & articles thereof	Raw hides, skins, leather articles & travel goods	Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material	Wood pulp, paper & paperboard & articles thereof	Textiles & textile articles	
HS Chapters		01 -05	06 -14	15	16 - 24	25 - 27	28 - 38	39 - 40	41 - 43	44 - 46	47 - 49	50 - 63	
Periods													
ANNUALLY													
2017		1,622	2,524	250	5,400	7,997	2,216	1,347	106	429	718	1,197	
2018		1,727	2,227	232	5,392	11,031	2,025	1,194	119	244	637	1,145	
2019		1,682	2,274	224	5,440	9,988	2,036	1,151	124	322	758	1,024	
2020 (P)		1,530	2,153	223	5,313	6,474	2,032	1,170	86	654	788	953	
2021 (P)	YTD	86	145	29	337	489	119	78	6	48	60	52	
MONTHLY													
2020	January	83	140	20	381	507	158	109	11	40	97	84	
	February	148	114	8	344	1,183	229	68	10	53	49	78	
	March	162	114	9	532	411	198	74	2	45	34	31	
	April	160	141	12	371	1,155	113	88	4	31	54	33	
	May	66	116	15	330	255	149	107	6	58	57	97	
	June	140	226	16	473	373	168	104	9	91	51	134	
	July	102	187	18	501	300	170	75	4	58	44	41	
	August	101	242	35	428	484	221	130	11	65	40	83	
	September	137	211	23	424	633	165	116	5	45	179	49	
	October	103	221	23	420	294	130	101	11	68	62	130	
	November	119	211	15	530	542	167	91	5	63	50	81	
	December	209	231	29	579	338	165	109	9	38	70	111	
2021	January	86	145	29	337	489	119	78	6	48	60	52	
Notes:	Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.								p - provisional		r - revised		n/a - not available
	Data source: Customs and Enterprises											continued over...	

IMPORTS BY HS (continued)													
[VT Million]													
HS Sections		XII	XIII	XIV	XV	XVI	XVII	XVIII	XIX	XX	XXI	XXII	Total
		Footwear, headgear, umbrellas & parts thereof	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass & ceramic products	Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones & metals	Base metals & articles thereof	Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof	Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment	Photographic & optical, medical & surgical goods & clocks/watches & musical instruments	Arms and ammunition, parts & accessories thereof	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	Works of art, collectors pieces & antiques	Others	
HS Chapters		64 - 67	68 - 70	71	72 - 83	84 - 85	86 - 89	90 - 92	93	94 - 96	97	98-99	
Periods													
ANNUALLY													
2017		283	720	100	2,904	7,155	6,058	394	14	1,187	2	0	42,622
2018		288	389	126	2,444	6,299	5,906	494	4	1,075	3	0	43,002
2019		308	305	92	2,372	5,720	5,058	1,021	1	975	5	72	40,950
2020 (P)		238	270	44	2,328	5,186	3,213	574	0	970	6	413	34,620
2021 (P)	YTD	21	18	2	134	373	221	61	0	59	0	26	2,363
MONTHLY													
2020	January	17	33	2	248	548	398	38	0	143	1	37	3,095
	February	16	19	1	162	301	205	45	0	81	0	59	3,174
	March	11	18	4	114	261	284	25	0	58	1	39	2,427
	April	15	15	3	148	273	227	42	0	60	2	17	2,964
	May	5	30	2	271	319	162	16	0	63	0	35	2,159
	June	22	21	3	179	444	195	54	0	84	0	27	2,814
	July	14	20	14	177	512	285	23	0	76	0	25	2,645
	August	36	35	2	238	574	229	18	0	97	1	18	3,088
	September	14	22	2	245	483	267	161	0	67	0	35	3,282
	October	27	21	3	204	439	327	58	0	85	0	24	2,751
	November	20	14	6	143	405	319	76	0	73	0	55	2,982
	December	41	21	3	198	628	315	19	0	84	0	41	3,239
2021	January	21	18	2	134	373	221	61		59	0	26	2,363
Notes:	Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.												
	Data source: Customs and Enterprises												

Table 3

EXPORTS BY HS

HS Sections		[VT Million]										
		I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
		Live animals: animal products	Vegetable products	Animal or vegetable oils & fats	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco	Mineral products	Chemicals and allied products	Plastic, rubber & articles thereof	Raw hides, skins, leather articles & travel goods	Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material	Wood pulp, paper & paperboard & articles thereof	Textiles & textile articles
HS Chapters	01 -05	06 -14	15	16 - 24	25 - 27	28 - 38	39 - 40	41 - 43	44 - 46	47 - 49	50 - 63	
Periods												
ANNUALLY												
2017		282	3,116	857	286	19	70	2	15	411	63	1
2018		117	2,989	464	437	1	50	7	5	177	14	6
2019		177	3,262	313	569	4	21	4	2	100	17	1
2020 (P)		333	3,020	177	491	67	36	4	0	9	50	3
2021 (P)	YTD	14	190	16	7	0	1	0	0	25	2	0
MONTHLY												
2020	January	41	120	0	116	0	3	0	0	1	1	0
	February	27	234	9	15	0	1	0	0	2	1	0
	March	34	268	15	8	2	5	0	0	0	1	1
	April	22	168	8	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	1
	May	15	176	3	9	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
	June	7	449	3	30	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	July	47	217	8	20	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
	August	21	313	15	49	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
	September	22	233	0	186	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
	October	34	296	54	31	60	1	0	0	0	1	0
	November	28	189	38	12	0	16	0	0	2	41	0
	December	33	358	21	11	0	3	2	0	0	1	0
2021	January	14	190	16	7	-	1	0		25	2	0
Notes:		Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.										
		Includes reexports up to July 2017				(P) Provisional						
		Data source: Customs and Enterprises										continued over...

Table 3													EXPORTS BY HS(continued)																					
HS Sections													[VT Million]																					
													XII		XIII		XIV		XV		XVI		XVII		XVIII		XIX		XX		XXI		XXII	
													Footwear, headgear, umbrellas & parts thereof	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass & ceramic products	Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones & metals	Base metals & articles thereof	Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof	Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment	Photographic & optical, medical goods & clocks/watches & musical instruments	Arms and ammunition, parts & accessories thereof	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	Works of art, collectors pieces & antiques	Others	Total										
HS Chapters		64 - 67		68 - 70		71		72 - 83		84 - 85		86 - 89		90 - 92		93		94 - 96		97		99												
Periods																																		
ANNUALLY																																		
2017		0	0	0	61	568	78	9	0	9	1	68	5,916																					
2018		0	1	0	131	287	27	19	0	7	2	100	4,841																					
2019		0	2	0	116	411	25	29	1	18	0	150	5,222																					
2020 (P)		0	0	1	55	164	118	27	0	16	2	78	4,650																					
2021 (P)		YTD	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	260																					
MONTHLY																																		
2020 January		0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	296																					
February		0	0	0	9	7	2	12	0	0	0	11	331																					
March		0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	345																					
April		0	0	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	10	225																					
May		0	0	0	7	3	1	2	0	6	0	0	223																					
June		0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	4	0	4	504																					
July		0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	9	311																					
August		0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	414																					
September		0	0	0	12	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	463																					
October		0	0	1	4	131	111	5	0	0	0	6	735																					
November		0	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	1	1	12	350																					
December		0	0	0	7	1	0	7	0	5	0	2	453																					
2021 January				0	3	0	0	0		-	0	2	260																					
Notes: Classification																																		
		Includes reexports up to July 2017																																
		Data source: Customs and Enterprises																																

Table 4		RE-EXPORTS BY HS										
		[VT Million]										
HS Section		I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
		Live animals: animal products	Vegetable products	Animal or vegetable oils & fats	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco	Mineral products	Chemicals and allied products	Plastic, rubber & articles thereof	Raw hides, skins, leather articles & travel goods	Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material	Wood pulp, paper & paperboard & articles thereof	Textiles & textile articles
HS Chapters		01 -05	06 -14	15	16 - 24	25 - 27	28 - 38	39 - 40	41 - 43	44 - 46	47 - 49	50 - 63
Periods												
ANNUALLY												
2017	From August	0	0	0	129	261	17	0	1	0	0	0
2018		0	1	0	566	680	128	0	7	0	0	1
2019		0	0	0	312	608	59	0	5	1	0	5
2020 (P)		0	0	0	169	284	39	0	6	0	0	5
2021 (P)	YTD	0	0	0	0	1	11	0	0	0	0	0
MONTHLY												
2020	January	0	0	0	37	64	8		1	0	0	0
	February	0	0	0	46	55	10		1	0	0	1
	March	0	0	0	58	62	10		2	0	0	3
	April	0	0	0	12	22	6		0	0	0	0
	May	0	0	0	1	13	1		0	0	0	0
	June	0	0	0	12	12	4		1	0	0	1
	July	0	0	0	0	6	0		0	0	0	0
	August	0	0	0	1	7	0		0	0	0	0
	September	0	0	0	0	10	0		0	0	0	0
	October	0	0	0	1	15	0		0	0	0	0
	November	0	0	0	0	13	0		0	0	0	0
	December	0	0	0	0	5	0		0	0	0	0
2021	January	0	0	0	0	1	11	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Notes:</i>		<i>Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.</i>										
		<i>Data source: Customs and Enterprises</i>										
		<i>Data on re-exports are available from August 2017. Prior to that they were included with exports.</i>										
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Table 4		RE-EXPORTS BY HS (Continued)											
HS Section		[VT Million]											
		XII	XIII	XIV	XV	XVI	XVII	XVIII	XIX	XX	XXI	XXII	
		Footwear, headgear, umbrellas & parts thereof	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass & ceramic products	Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones & metals	Base metals & articles thereof	Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof	Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment	Photographic & optical, medical & surgical goods & clocks/watches & musical instruments	Arms and ammunition, parts & accessories thereof	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	Works of art, collectors pieces & antiques	Others	Total
HS Chapters	64 - 67	68 - 70	71	72 - 83	84 - 85	86 - 89	90 - 92	93	94 - 96	97	99		
Periods													
ANNUALLY													
2017	From August	4	0	9	0	2	11	13	0	1	0	0	447
2018		20	5	76	1	33	321	75	0	5	1	0	1,920
2019		13	2	24	0	2	111	43	0	2	0	0	1,186
2020 (P)		9	0	16	0	1	80	44	0	2	0	0	657
2021 (P)	YTD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
MONTHLY													
2020	January	1	0	0	0	0	20	2	0	0	0	0	132
	February	3	0	0	0	0	14	1	0	1	0	0	132
	March	5	0	4	0	0	25	20	0	1	0	0	191
	April	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	45
	May	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	20
	June	1	0	6	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	40
	July	0	0	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	16
	August	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	19
	September	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
	October	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	20
	November	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
	December	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	18
													0
2021	January	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
<i>Notes:</i>		<i>Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.</i>											
		<i>Data source: Customs and Enterprises</i>											
		<i>Data on re-exports are available from August 2017. Prior to that they were included with exports.</i>											
		<i>(P) Provisional</i>											

Table 5		TOTAL EXPORTS BY HS										
HS Sections		[VT Million]										
		I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
		Live animals: animal products	Vegetable products	Animal or vegetable oils & fats	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco	Mineral products	Chemicals and allied products	Plastic, rubber & articles thereof	Raw hides, skins, leather articles & travel goods	Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material	Wood pulp, paper & paperboard & articles thereof	Textiles & textile articles
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Periods												
ANNUALLY												
2017		282	3,116	857	415	280	87	2	16	411	63	1
2018		117	2,989	464	1,003	682	178	7	12	177	14	6
2019		177	3,262	313	881	612	80	4	7	100	17	6
2020 (P)		333	3,020	177	660	351	75	4	6	9	50	8
2021 (P)	YTD	14	190	16	7	1	12	0	0	25	2	0
MONTHLY												
2020	January	41	120	0	153	64	10	0	1	1	1	0
	February	27	234	9	61	55	11	0	1	2	1	1
	March	34	268	15	66	64	15	0	2	0	1	4
	April	22	168	8	15	26	7	0	0	0	0	1
	May	15	176	3	10	13	1	2	0	0	1	0
	June	7	449	3	42	12	5	0	1	0	0	1
	July	47	217	8	20	7	0	0	0	0	1	0
	August	21	313	15	50	7	4	0	0	3	0	0
	September	22	233	0	187	10	1	0	0	1	1	0
	October	34	296	54	32	75	1	0	0	0	1	0
	November	28	189	38	13	13	16	0	0	2	41	0
	December	33	358	21	11	5	3	2	0	0	1	0
2021	January	14	190	16	7	1	12	0	0	25	2	0
Notes:	Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.											
	Includes reexports up to July 2017											
	Data source: Customs and Enterprises											
	Data on re-exports are available from August 2017. Prior to that they were included with exports.											
	(P) Provisional											

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Table 5		TOTAL EXPORTS BY HS (Continued)											Total
HS Sections		[VT Million]											
		XII	XIII	XIV	XV	XVI	XVII	XVIII	XIX	XX	XXI	XXII	
		Footwear, headgear, umbrellas & parts thereof	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass & ceramic products	Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones & metals	Base metals & articles thereof	Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof	Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment	Photographic & optical, medical & surgical goods & clocks/watches & musical instruments	Arms and ammunition, parts & accessories thereof	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	Works of art, collectors pieces & antiques	Others	
HS Chapters		64 - 67	68 - 70	71	72 - 83	84 - 85	86 - 89	90 - 92	93	94 - 96	97	99	
Periods													
ANNUALLY													
	2017	4	0	9	61	570	89	22	0	10	1	68	6,363
	2018	20	6	76	132	320	348	94	0	12	3	100	6,761
	2019	13	4	24	116	413	136	72	1	20	0	150	6,408
	2020 (P)	9	1	17	55	166	198	71	0	19	2	78	5,308
	2021 (P) YTD	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	272
MONTHLY													
	2020 January	1	0	0	2	0	20	2	0	1	0	11	429
	February	3	0	0	9	7	16	14	0	1	0	11	464
	March	5	0	4	2	3	25	20	0	1	0	5	536
	April	0	0	2	5	0	3	2	0	0	0	10	270
	May	0	0	3	7	3	1	4	0	6	0	0	243
	June	1	0	6	0	5	0	4	0	4	0	4	544
	July	0	0	1	3	4	8	0	0	0	0	9	327
	August	0	0	0	3	0	11	0	0	0	0	5	432
	September	0	0	0	12	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	472
	October	0	0	1	4	131	114	5	0	0	0	6	755
	November	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	1	1	12	364
	December	0	0	0	7	1	0	20	0	5	0	2	472
	2021 January	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	272
Notes:		Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.											
		Includes reexports up to July 2017											
		Data source: Customs and Enterprises											
		Data on re-exports are available from August 2017. Prior to that they were included with exports.											
		(P) Provisional											

Table 6 PRINCIPAL EXPORTS																		
[VT Million]																		
	ANNUALLY					MONTHLY												
	YTD					2020												
	2017	2018	2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
A. Exports																		
Alcoholic Drinks	42	91	157	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beef fresh, chilled, frozen and preserved	178	65	96	85	7	16	8	17	0	7	0	0	8	8	8	13	0	7
Cocoa	164	193	270	175	6	25	14	0	0	8	30	11	45	4	24	7	8	6
Coconut Meal	65	40	51	28	1	0	1	8	3	0	0	1	3	1	4	4	3	1
Coconut oil	814	402	284	166	16	0	9	15	8	0	0	8	15	0	54	35	21	16
Coffee, all types	1	33	16	23	4	1	12	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	2	4
Copra	1,811	424	265	336	0	0	23	98	0	76	10	62	14	0	10	43	0	0
Cowhides	12	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fish: Tuna	0	0	4	191	0	25	19	17	22	7	7	21	14	14	25	0	20	0
Kava	1,277	2,513	2,970	2,601	183	117	198	170	168	97	435	153	297	232	286	144	305	183
Ornamental fish	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	411	177	100	9	25	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	2	0	25
Shell buttons	5	0	16	0	0													0
Vanilla	0	1	0	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Other products	1,083	897	993	1,030	16	111	46	20	23	26	20	53	13	201	325	102	90	16
Total exports	5,916	4,841	5,222	4,650	260	296	331	345	225	223	504	311	414	463	735	350	453	260
B. Re-exports					0													
Alcoholic Drinks	93	408	230	126	0	26	34	45	8	1	10	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Tobacco and cigarettes	29	125	64	34	0	9	9	10	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fuel	261	680	608	284	11	64	55	62	22	13	12	6	7	10	15	13	5	11
Other products	64	707	284	213	0	34	34	74	12	6	17	9	11	0	4	0	13	0
Total re-exports	447	1,920	1,186	657	11	132	132	191	45	20	40	16	19	10	20	14	18	11
Total exports and re-exports	6,363	6,761	6,408	5,308	272	429	464	536	270	243	544	327	432	472	755	364	472	272
<i>Notes:</i>	Data source: Customs and Enterprises Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12. Includes reexports up to July 2017																	

Table 7	PRINCIPAL IMPORTS																		
	[VT Million]																		
	Commodity	ANNUALLY				YTD	MONTHLY												2021 (p)
		2017	2018	2019	2020 (P)		2020	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	
Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates	69	56	75	114	0	9	11	13	18	2	10	1	10	10	12	12	7	-	
Meat and edible offal of poultry	864	890	972	898	64	37	79	104	95	45	83	82	56	77	44	59	138	64	
Milk and Cream	331	287	281	308	16	23	36	20	37	14	32	12	23	22	27	20	41	16	
Rice	1,512	1,184	1,237	1,163	79	85	42	23	46	51	146	115	167	124	131	106	128	79	
Wheat or meslin flour	473	405	543	579	41	25	35	47	69	22	51	41	47	58	55	66	62	41	
Alcoholic drinks	994	673	947	682	49	72	65	93	57	47	47	32	47	42	47	60	73	49	
Bread, pastry, cakes, biscuits and other bakers' wares	808	651	745	727	64	29	48	76	84	40	68	61	55	57	52	87	70	64	
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes, of tobacco or of tobacco substitutes	599	352	731	626	61	50	48	48	56	27	51	69	46	36	76	71	48	61	
Non-alcoholic drinks including mineral water	271	168	172	153	9	13	17	18	4	15	13	15	13	11	3	16	16	9	
Other prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood	297	255	357	426	11	23	26	37	7	56	54	48	11	49	30	54	30	11	
Pasta, whether cooked or stuffed or otherwise prepared, such as spaghetti, macaroni, noodles, lasagne, gnocchi, ravioli, cannelloni; couscous	225	193	215	237	2	15	18	25	22	11	13	29	15	19	23	22	25	2	
Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	196	222	236	254	16	29	18	29	16	16	14	25	19	14	18	20	35	16	
Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of	155	152	152	166	8	25	11	14	7	4	9	14	8	16	20	16	21	8	
Prepared or preserved fish	613	634	674	825	51	31	13	50	33	41	115	97	122	99	40	59	125	51	
Sugar	155	168	128	197	6	9	9	27	12	11	18	21	27	16	20	15	12	6	
Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled,	31	19	64	440	23	21	43	30	25	31	69	45	36	31	40	45	24	23	
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	238	227	253	221	4	37	27	4	20	11	29	4	27	25	18	4	15	4	
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals	6,584	4,461	8,797	5,467	416	374	1,101	337	1,073	227	293	263	371	539	202	498	190	416	
Portland cement, aluminous cement, slag cement,	929	489	687	712	66	81	50	68	60	15	40	23	78	68	69	36	125	66	
Medicaments	694	554	677	682	37	37	118	88	36	30	66	61	79	58	42	31	35	37	
Perfumes, make-up preparations and preparations for the	295	233	265	256	17	23	23	22	17	34	17	14	17	15	23	26	23	17	
Articles for the conveyance or packing of goods; stoppers,	278	215	261	232	21	17	12	17	29	15	29	16	39	19	18	8	15	21	
New pneumatic tires, of rubber	164	143	157	150	13	20	8	6	10	17	11	8	17	20	12	13	8	13	
Tubes, pipes and hoses, and fittings therefor (for example,	206	147	141	175	6	16	8	7	15	9	12	14	16	17	5	23	33	6	
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	565	483	493	375	29	38	51	15	7	16	58	13	26	14	59	25	50	29	
Notes:	Classification used: HSI7 from January 2017. ¹ Data source: Customs and Enterprises (P) Provisional																		

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Table 7	PRINCIPAL IMPORTS (Continued)																			
	[VT Million]																			
	Commodity	ANNUALLY				YTD	MONTHLY													2021 (p)
		2017	2018	2019	2020 (P)		2020 (P)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Other made up textile articles; sets; worn clothing and footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	374	323	266	365	15	32	18	12	21	55	47	16	42	24	48	21	30	15		
Aluminium and articles thereof	292	237	224	230	14	37	12	10	10	25	25	10	20	32	14	17	18	14		
Articles of iron or steel	1,465	1,082	1,158	1,031	65	116	93	28	59	109	86	81	125	103	68	69	94	65		
Iron and steel	661	425	596	612	35	67	28	57	46	91	29	54	57	60	47	27	48	35		
Automatic data processing machines; magnetic or optical readers, machines for transcribing data onto data media in coded form and machines for processing such data.	353	360	496	467	0	26	12	25	8	42	33	35	69	30	61	51	75	0		
Centrifuges, including centrifugal dryers; filtering or purifying machinery and apparatus, for liquids or gases	221	177	155	180	6	30	22	11	4	10	19	28	14	16	9	7	9	6		
Electric generating sets and rotary converters	225	155	262	173	23	6	4	20	2	5	8	16	16	16	18	4	58	23		
Insulated wire, cable and other insulated electric conductors, whether or not fitted with connectors; optical fibre cables, made up of individually sheathed fibres, whether or not assembled with electric conductors or fitted with connectors	305	151	143	130	3	11	8	12	13	16	7	8	15	9	6	10	15	3		
Other furniture and parts thereof	279	263	218	188	13	31	24	14	6	11	25	18	12	7	8	10	20	13		
Refrigerators, freezers and other refrigerating or freezing equipment, electric or other; heat pumps other than air conditioning machines	164	116	141	203	12	26	24	11	13	20	14	5	15	8	37	14	15	12		
Self-propelled bulldozers, angledozers, graders, levellers, scrapers, mechanical shovels, excavators, shovel loaders, tamping machines and road rollers	338	280	256	172	13	24	7	0	22	4	18	14	2	3	35	18	24	13		
Spark-ignition reciprocating or rotary internal combustion piston engines and compression-ignition internal combustion piston engines (diesel or semi-diesel engines)	159	124	165	159	2	6	2	6	1	7	84	8	14	2	7	10	12	2		
Telephone sets, including telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks	1,305	1,076	829	741	153	100	41	28	30	27	60	94	62	108	57	58	75	153		
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	2,770	1,525	2,998	1,348	116	176	93	131	103	109	95	71	99	145	112	81	133	116		
Motor vehicles for the transport of passengers	1,776	1,158	1,303	1,046	67	92	72	88	61	30	64	188	61	60	56	175	99	67		
Parts of aircraft	135	28	28	12	3	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	4	3	0	2	3		
Yachts and other vessels for pleasure or sports; rowing boats and canoes	96	72	42	59	4	5	3	6	1	1	0	0	0	3	33	4	2	4		
Printed books, brochures, leaflets and similar printed matter	118	123	230	132	13	34	5	4	2	4	15	2	8	2	3	26	25	13		
Toilet paper and similar paper	107	93	101	104	13	12	4	5	15	16	10	10	5	5	8	8	6	13		
Personal and household effects	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	-		
Other Imports	13,693	21,752	11,824	10,992	665	1,109	770	728	678	765	805	848	1,046	1,177	1,011	963	1,091	665		
TOTAL IMPORTS	42,622	43,002	40,950	34,620	2,363	3,095	3,174	2,427	2,964	2,159	2,814	2,645	3,088	3,282	2,751	2,982	3,239	2,363		
Notes:	Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Data source: Customs and Enterprises (P) Provisional																			

Table 8		BALANCE OF TRADE BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES																	
		[VT Million]																	
COUNTRY		ANNUALLY					MONTHLY												
		2017	2018	2019	2020 (P)	YTD 2020	2020	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Australia	Exports	602	1,195	1,052	520	24	71	89	89	40	15	18	13	18	21	33	84	27	24
	Imports	8,707	9,638	8,239	6,969	480	586	664	592	498	406	637	464	688	675	517	399	844	480
	Balance	-8,105	-8,443	-7,186	-6,449	-456	-515	-575	-503	-458	-390	-619	-451	-669	-653	-483	-315	-817	-456
China, People's Republic of	Exports	378	293	541	933	31	85	1	27	55	32	31	31	86	196	308	51	30	31
	Imports	5,645	4,305	4,619	4,194	369	529	215	136	173	224	348	463	523	444	407	309	423	369
	Balance	-5,267	-4,012	-4,079	-3,261	-338	-444	-213	-109	-118	-192	-316	-433	-437	-249	-99	-257	-393	-338
Fiji	Exports	341	815	1,098	825	43	26	73	56	54	21	179	38	48	84	107	64	75	43
	Imports	4,092	3,528	3,639	3,609	175	216	266	304	240	342	316	329	293	316	270	391	326	175
	Balance	-3,751	-2,713	-2,541	-2,784	-132	-190	-193	-248	-186	-321	-137	-291	-245	-232	-163	-328	-251	-132
France	Exports	3	30	127	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
	Imports	1,028	950	835	767	30	96	82	60	66	42	89	32	34	32	74	84	76	30
	Balance	-1,025	-920	-709	-763	-30	-96	-82	-60	-66	-42	-85	-32	-34	-32	-74	-84	-76	-30
Hong Kong	Exports	84	83	19	49	1	13	1	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	3	6	1
	Imports	1,313	1,137	993	964	60	169	105	25	9	49	81	48	45	112	99	103	119	60
	Balance	-1,229	-1,054	-974	-914	-59	-156	-104	-25	-9	-49	-81	-22	-45	-112	-99	-100	-112	-59
India	Exports	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
	Imports	302	315	327	264	19	21	19	29	4	15	29	45	32	19	25	12	15	19
	Balance	-302	-315	-299	-264	-19	-21	-19	-29	-4	-15	-29	-45	-32	-19	-25	-12	-15	-19
Indonesia	Exports	4	15	7	19	5	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
	Imports	501	467	616	510	26	40	31	24	49	49	28	56	34	33	61	70	36	26
	Balance	-497	-452	-609	-492	-21	-40	-31	-24	-49	-49	-9	-56	-34	-33	-61	-70	-36	-21
Japan	Exports	147	145	41	49	0	16	0	9	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	8	0	-
	Imports	2,058	2,867	2,385	1,506	76	128	101	112	133	60	133	47	70	236	127	154	205	76
	Balance	-1,911	-2,722	-2,344	-1,457	-76	-112	-101	-103	-133	-60	-133	-47	-62	-228	-127	-146	-205	-76
Korea, Republic of	Exports	4	0	20	17	0	0	5	0	0	2	0	2	0	4	0	4	0	-
	Imports	780	638	618	571	23	77	53	48	37	30	64	21	56	42	27	52	65	23
	Balance	-776	-638	-598	-555	-23	-77	-48	-48	-37	-28	-64	-19	-56	-37	-27	-48	-65	-23
Malaysia	Exports	766	525	366	205	4	25	14	0	0	8	11	18	58	0	56	7	8	4
	Imports	232	271	286	342	46	26	18	22	17	11	17	48	19	52	38	34	41	46
	Balance	534	254	80	-137	-42	-1	-4	-22	-17	-3	-6	-30	40	-52	19	-27	-33	-42
Netherlands	Exports	9	3	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	3	0	0	0	3	0	-
	Imports	95	62	68	61	3	3	10	2	15	0	1	3	5	2	2	10	7	3
	Balance	-86	-59	-64	-52	-3	-3	-10	-2	-15	1	1	0	-5	-2	-2	-7	-7	-3

Notes: Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.

Data source: Customs and Enterprises

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Table 8		BALANCE OF TRADE BY MAJOR PARTNER COUNTRIES (Continued)																			
		[VT Million]																			
COUNTRY		ANNUALLY				YTD	MONTHLY														2021 (P)
		2017	2018	2019	2020 (P)		2020	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	
New Caledonia	Exports	464	450	528	559	33	9	27	35	27	44	60	52	95	37	75	24	73	33		
	Imports	662	728	448	357	32	27	27	26	20	48	32	32	23	31	49	21	21	32		
	Balance	-198	-278	80	202	1	-18	0	9	8	-3	27	20	72	6	26	3	51	1		
New Zealand	Exports	239	129	192	228	3	13	20	19	20	10	43	0	5	8	25	15	52	3		
	Imports	4,152	3,943	3,830	4,018	195	324	281	377	276	327	313	283	363	296	394	378	406	195		
	Balance	-3,913	-3,814	-3,638	-3,790	-192	-311	-260	-358	-256	-318	-270	-283	-358	-288	-370	-363	-354	-192		
Papua New Guinea	Exports	296	101	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-		
	Imports	165	193	170	250	19	2	4	43	9	10	22	22	32	31	29	18	27	19		
	Balance	131	-92	-168	-250	-19	-2	-4	-43	-9	-10	-22	-22	-32	-31	-29	-18	-27	19		
Philippines	Exports	1,715	239	245	291	0	0	23	98	0	64	0	62	0	0	1	43	0	-		
	Imports	78	135	91	89	5	9	0	3	4	2	3	2	7	13	15	26	4	5		
	Balance	1,637	104	154	202	-5	-9	22	94	-4	62	-3	61	-7	-13	-14	17	-4	5		
Singapore	Exports	48	16	12	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	-		
	Imports	7,325	9,201	9,794	6,283	527	481	1,092	369	1,191	313	393	432	470	546	256	542	199	527		
	Balance	-7,277	-9,185	-9,781	-6,279	-527	-480	-1,092	-369	-1,191	-313	-393	-429	-470	-546	-256	-542	-198	527		
Solomon Islands	Exports	61	22	16	18	8	0	8	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8		
	Imports	208	232	193	210	5	13	3	16	12	8	22	44	21	7	7	13	43	5		
	Balance	-147	-210	-178	-192	3	-13	5	-15	-12	0	-22	-44	-21	-7	-7	-13	-42	3		
Thailand	Exports	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-		
	Imports	1,657	1,563	1,355	1,183	79	101	46	82	59	80	97	94	138	127	78	188	93	79		
	Balance	-1,657	-1,563	-1,353	-1,183	-79	-101	-46	-82	-59	-80	-97	-94	-138	-127	-78	-188	-93	79		
United Kingdom	Exports	10	55	9	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-		
	Imports	141	78	44	31	2	3	3	7	1	1	3	2	2	3	2	3	2	2		
	Balance	-131	-23	-35	-29	-2	-1	-3	-7	-1	-1	-3	-2	-2	-3	-2	-3	-2	2		
United States of America	Exports	352	817	448	523	12	53	34	57	0	0	136	6	66	50	24	25	71	12		
	Imports	647	818	645	473	38	76	32	32	14	30	43	30	47	23	35	39	74	38		
	Balance	-295	-1	-197	50	-26	-23	3	25	-14	-30	93	-24	20	28	-11	-13	-3	26		
All others	Exports	840	1,827	1,652	1,053	108	115	168	144	74	38	42	72	49	63	126	34	130	108		
	Imports	2,834	1,932	1,756	1,970	155	168	125	117	138	114	144	149	188	241	238	135	213	155		
	Balance	-1,994	-105	-104	-917	-46	-53	43	28	-65	-76	-102	-78	-140	-178	-112	-102	-83	46		
TOTAL	Exports	6,363	6,761	6,408	5,308	272	429	464	536	270	243	544	327	432	472	755	364	472	272		
	Imports	42,622	43,001	40,950	34,620	2,363	3,095	3,174	2,427	2,964	2,159	2,814	2,645	3,088	3,282	2,751	2,982	3,239	2,363		
	Balance	-36,259	-36,240	-34,542	-29,312	-2,092	-2,666	-2,711	-1,891	-2,694	-1,916	-2,270	-2,318	-2,656	-2,810	-1,996	-2,618	-2,767	-2,092		
Notes:		Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12. Data source: Customs and Enterprises (P) Provisional																			

Table 9		TRADE BY REGION																		
		[VT Million]																		
REGION		ANNUALLY				YTD	MONTHLY													2021
							2020													
		2017	2018	2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	
Africa	Exports	0	2	37	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-		
	Imports	32	32	80	14	1	3	1	0	1	6	1	0	2	0	0	0	0		
	Balance	-32	-30	-43	-13	-1	-3	-1	-0	-1	-6	-1	-0	-2	-0	-0	1	-0	-1	
The Americas	Exports	352	820	447	529	12	53	36	57	-	-	136	10	66	50	24	25	71		
	Imports	727	884	689	516	41	76	34	34	20	39	43	32	48	31	37	43	78		
	Balance	-375	-65	-242	12	-29	-23	1	23	-20	-39	93	-22	18	19	-13	-18	-7	-29	
Asia	Exports	3,340	1,462	1,444	1,730	52	140	53	149	59	118	71	143	166	212	401	145	73		
	Imports	21,500	22,120	22,211	17,051	1,339	1,672	1,753	924	1,754	874	1,312	1,316	1,520	1,729	1,257	1,581	1,359		
	Balance	-18,160	-20,658	-20,767	-15,321	-1,287	-1,531	-1,700	-775	-1,694	-756	-1,241	-1,173	-1,354	-1,518	-855	-1,436	-1,286	-1,287	
Europe	Exports	54	115	181	24	0	2	-	-	4	2	5	4	-	3	0	4	0		
	Imports	2,326	1,652	1,340	1,499	73	172	137	97	133	98	112	118	93	110	163	134	132		
	Balance	-2,272	-1,537	-1,159	-1,475	-73	-170	-137	-97	-129	-97	-107	-114	-93	-107	-163	-130	-132	-73	
Oceania	Exports	2,617	3,627	3,703	2,813	207	213	339	235	200	116	304	168	200	207	328	189	315		
	Imports	18,033	18,312	16,626	15,527	906	1,172	1,249	1,372	1,056	1,141	1,343	1,173	1,423	1,411	1,295	1,224	1,669		
	Balance	-15,416	-14,684	-12,923	-12,715	-699	-959	-910	-1,137	-856	-1,025	-1,039	-1,005	-1,223	-1,204	-966	-1,035	-1,354	-699	
Various	Exports	20,359	735	596	212	1	21	37	95	7	7	28	2	1	0	1	0	13		
	Imports	11,501	0	5	13	3	1	-	0	0	0	3	5	2	-	-	-	1		
	Balance	8,858	735	591	199	-2	20	37	95	6	7	25	-3	-1	0	1	0	12		
TOTAL	Exports	6,363	6,761	6,408	5,308	272	429	464	536	270	243	544	327	432	472	755	364	472		
	Imports	42,622	43,002	40,950	34,620	2,363	3,095	3,174	2,427	2,964	2,159	2,814	2,645	3,088	3,282	2,751	2,982	3,239		
	Balance	-36,259	-36,241	-34,542	-29,312	-2,092	-2,666	-2,711	-1,891	-2,694	-1,916	-2,270	-2,318	-2,656	-2,810	-1,996	-2,618	-2,767	-2,092	
of which the PICTs	Exports	1,776	2,303	2,458	2,065	180	129	229	127	140	91	243	155	177	178	270	90	236		
	Imports	5,174	8,544	4,558	4,541	231	262	304	402	282	408	393	427	373	441	383	447	419		
	Balance	-3,398	-6,242	-2,099	-2,476	-50	-133	-75	-276	-142	-317	-150	-272	-196	-263	-113	-357	-182	-50	

Notes: Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.

Data source: Customs and Enterprises (P) provisional (YTD)

Table 10		TRADE BY MODE OF TRANSPORT						
		[VT Million]						
Category		1	2	3	4			
		Air	Water	Land	Not elsewhere classified			
			2.1	3.2	4.2	4.4		
			Sea	Road	Postal consignments, mail or courier shipments	Others	Total	
Period								
ANNUALLY								
2017	Exports	889	4,979	0	47		5,915	
	Imports	4,164	38,414	0	44	0	42,622	
2018	Exports	1,300	5,460	0	0	0	6,761	
	Imports	4,181	38,777	0	43	0	43,001	
2019	Exports	1,163	5,245	0	0	0	6,408	
	Imports	568	40,373	0	9	0	40,950	
2020 (P)	Exports	988	3,726	0	0	593	5,308	
	Imports	2,422	27,971	0	27	4,200	34,620	
2021 YTD	Exports	52	209	0	11	0	272	
	Imports	203	1,855	0	2	303	2,363	
MONTHLY								
2020								
January	Exports	118	242	0	0	68	429	
	Imports	312	2,276	0	5	502	3,095	
February	Exports	104	228	0	0	132	464	
	Imports	280	2,452	0	4	439	3,174	
March	Exports	101	244	0	0	191	536	
	Imports	256	1,693	0	2	476	2,427	
April	Exports	22	203	0	0	45	270	
	Imports	54	2,484	0	0	426	2,964	
May	Exports	28	195	0	0	20	243	
	Imports	56	1,818	0	0	285	2,159	
June	Exports	151	353	0	0	40	544	
	Imports	191	2,297	0	1	325	2,814	
July	Exports	81	230	0	0	16	327	
	Imports	157	2,266	0	3	219	2,645	
August	Exports	65	349	0	0	19	432	
	Imports	183	2,639	0	3	263	3,088	
September	Exports	64	399	0	0	10	472	
	Imports	203	2,758	0	1	320	3,282	
October	Exports	51	684	0	0	20	755	
	Imports	322	2,130	0	2	297	2,751	
November	Exports	106	244	0	0	14	364	
	Imports	214	2,421	0	3	344	2,982	
December	Exports	99	354	0	0	18	472	
	Imports	195	2,738	0	3	303	3,239	
2021 (P)								
January	Exports	52	209	0	11	0	272	
	Imports	203	1,855	-	2	303	2,363	
Notes:		Classification used: HS17 from January 2017. Prior to that HS12.						
		Data source: Customs and Enterprises						
		(P) Provisional						

Table 12												EXPORTS BY SITC											
												[VT Million]											
SITC Section		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9												
Economic Category		Food and live animals	Beverages and tobacco	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	Chemicals and related products, not elsewhere specified	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	Machinery and transport equipment	Miscellaneous manufactured goods	Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in SITC	Total Exports											
Periods																							
ANNUALLY																							
	2017	741	48	3,529	264	857	53	69	634	100	68	6,363											
	2018	527	650	3,111	681	464	178	161	659	228	101	6,761											
	2019	1,072	397	3,133	551	294	76	69	532	220	62	6,408											
	2020	908	163	3,061	286	177	75	13	364	234	27	5,308											
YTD	2021 (P)	29	1	210	11	16	2	1	0	2	2	272											
MONTHLY																							
	2020 January	162	35	119	64	0	10	1	20	9	8	429											
	February	58	43	230	55	9	11	1	23	29	3	464											
	March	47	55	271	62	15	15	1	28	38	5	536											
	April	26	11	176	22	8	7	1	3	14	1	270											
	May	24	1	177	13	3	1	5	4	15	-	243											
	June	39	12	447	12	3	5	0	5	17	3	544											
	July	69	0	218	7	8	0	0	12	11	-	327											
	August	73	1	316	7	15	4	0	11	3	2	432											
	September	210	0	244	10	0	1	0	5	2	0	472											
	October	63	4	357	15	54	1	2	245	12	1	755											
	November	41	0	191	13	38	16	1	7	54	2	364											
	December	96	0	313	5	21	4	2	1	29	0	472											
	2021 (P) January	29	1	210	11	16	2	1	0	2	2	272											

Notes: Classification used SITC Rev 4

(P) Provisional

YTD- Year to Date

Data source: Customs and Enterprises

Data on re-exports are available from August 2017. Prior to that they were included with exports.

Table 13												
IMPORTS BY SITC												
[VT Million]												
SITC Sections	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Economic Category	Food and live animals	Beverages and tobacco	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	Chemicals and related products, not elsewhere specified	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	Machinery and transport equipment	Miscellaneous manufactured goods	Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in SITC		Total Exports
Periods												
ANNUALLY												
	2017	8,084	1,874	314	6,944	165	2,582	6,221	12,842	3,593	3	42,622
	2018	8,171	1,781	2,049	8,547	148	2,376	4,986	11,588	3,329	27	43,002
	2019	8,207	1,848	277	8,317	147	2,308	4,901	10,761	3,232	953	40,950
	2020 (P)	7,573	1,463	637	5,702	133	2,295	4,802	8,340	3,565	109	34,620
YTD	2021 (P)	454	118	37	420	13	134	340	591	252	6	2,363
MONTHLY												
	2020 January	481	135	36	414	7	180	521	941	368	13	3,095
	February	476	130	56	1,128	5	239	316	508	305	9	3,174
	March	647	159	42	341	6	201	267	543	201	19	2,427
	April	561	117	28	1,094	5	132	331	502	194	0	2,964
	May	421	89	42	238	11	181	501	475	196	5	2,159
	June	724	111	99	328	7	193	382	625	337	7	2,814
	July	673	116	62	268	15	180	324	791	199	17	2,645
	August	667	107	65	400	28	252	475	793	297	4	3,088
	September	695	90	34	564	9	196	450	751	480	12	3,282
	October	618	125	56	220	18	152	478	758	316	10	2,751
	November	712	147	71	501	8	194	295	718	328	7	2,982
	December	897	137	46	205	13	196	463	933	345	4	3,239
	2021 January	454	118	37	420	13	134	340	591	252	6	2,363

Notes: Classij Classification used: SITC Rev 4

YTD- Year to Date

Data source: Customs and Enterprises

(P) Provisional

Table 14	Economic Category	RETAINED IMPORTS CLASSIFIED BY BEC					
		[VT Million]					
		ANNUALLY				YTD	MONTHLY
		2017	2018	2019	2020 (P)	2021 (P)	Jan
1*	FOOD AND BEVERAGE						
	11* Primary						
	111* Mainly for Industry	24	25	23	34	3	3
	112* Mainly for Household consumption	525	579	611	477	21	21
	12* Processed					0	
	121* Mainly for industry	772	767	808	867	70	70
	122* Mainly for household consumption	7,444	6,983	6,891		412	412
2*	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES NOT					0	
	21* Primary	269	2,039	200	166	11	11
	22* Processed	7,900	6,266	6,141	5,764	418	418
3*	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS					0	
	31* Primary	16	15	16	16	0	0
	32* Processed				5,467	416	416
	321* motor spirit	6,322	4,507	4,941		0	0
	322* other	236	249	253	221	5	5
4*	CAPITAL GOODS (EXCEPT					0	
	AND PARTS AND ACCESSORIES					0	
	41* Capital goods (except transport	4,655	4,664	4,577	4,050	239	239
	42* Parts and accessories	1,911	1,178	1,204	1,012	149	149
5*	TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT AND					0	
	51* Passenger motor cars	958	724	617	842	41	41
	52* Other					0	
	521* Industrial	4,459	2,607	2,082	1,966	153	153
	522* Non-Industrial	272	228	212	179	12	12
	53* Parts and accessories	973	792	790	691	47	47
6*	CONSUMER GOODS NOT					0	
	61* Durable	818	766	815	696	46	46
	62* Semi-Durable	1,850	1,636	1,554	1,351	83	83
	63* Non-Durable	2,766	2,547	2,677	2,719	212	212
7*	GOODS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED	3	0	102	1,272	26	26
	TOTAL RETAINED IMPORTS	42,174	36,572	34,515	27,790	2,363	2,363
	<i>and 521*</i>	<i>9,114</i>	<i>7,271</i>	<i>6,659</i>	<i>6,016</i>	<i>392</i>	<i>392</i>
	2 Intermediate Goods: sum of categories	12,102	11,332	9,435	8,770	703	703
	3 Consumption Goods: sum of categories	13,675	12,739	12,761	5,423	786	786
Note:	Classification used: BEC Rev 4						
	Data source: Customs and Enterprises						
	The BEC serves as a means for converting						
	1 Capital Goods: sum of categories 41*						
	2 Intermediate Goods: sum of categories						
	3 Consumption Goods: sum of categories						
	4 This table is compiled on an annual basis						
	* The asterisk follows each reference to a						
	Monthly data from 2021						

Appendix 2: Explanatory Notes

Balance of trade	<p>Balance of trade of goods is the net sum of exports and imports of goods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Surplus denotes a positive trade balance which indicates that the value of exports has exceeded the value of imports. ○ Deficit denotes negative trade balance which indicates that the value of imports has exceeded the value of exports.
BEC	Broad Economic Category: a classification that groups commodities according to its end use.
CIF	Cost, insurance and freight: includes the transaction value of the goods, insurance and freight to deliver the goods from the border of the exporting country to the border of the importing country.
FOB	Free on board: includes the transaction value of the goods and the value of services performed to deliver goods to the border of the exporting country.
HS	Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System: is a classification of exports and imports of goods. The latest version is ‘2017’ and the custodian of it is the World Customs Organisation (WCO). Vanuatu uses the Vanuatu Harmonized System based off the WCOs HS17. Vanuatu HS is closely aligned to the Pacific HS2017. For HS Sections and Chapters refer to Appendix 3.
IMTS	International merchandise trade statistics: records all goods, which add to or subtract from the stock of material resources of a country by entering (imports) or leaving (exports) its economic territory.
International merchandise trade	<p>International merchandise trade: is the exchange of goods across international borders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Exports refer to goods from Vanuatu purchased by another country. ○ Imports refer to goods purchased by Vanuatu from another country. ○ Re-importation refers to the <i>importation</i> of goods into Vanuatu, which it had previously exported. ○ Re-exportation is the <i>importation</i> and then <i>exportation</i> of the same goods by Vanuatu without any transformation/value added.
Merchandise	Merchandise: refers to goods that are traded i.e. bought and sold.
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification: is used mostly for analytical purpose.
na	Not available.
p	Provisional: data may be subject to change.
r	Revision: data have been changed.

Appendix 3: HS Sections and Chapters

Sections	Chapters	Titles
I		Live animals; animal products
	1	Live animals
	2	Meat and edible meat offal
	3	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates
	4	Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included
	5	Products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included
II		Vegetable products
	6	Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage
	7	Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers
	8	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons
	9	Coffee, tea, maté and spices
	10	Cereals
	11	Products of the milling industry; malt; starches; inulin; wheat gluten
	12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit; industrial or medicinal plants; straw and fodder
	13	Lac; gums, resins and other vegetable saps and extracts
	14	Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products not elsewhere specified or included
III		Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes
	15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes
IV		Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes
	16	Preparations of meat, of fish or of crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates
	17	Sugars and sugar confectionery
	18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations
	19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastrycooks' products
	20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants
	21	Miscellaneous edible preparations
	22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar
	23	Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal fodder
	24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes
V		Mineral products
	25	Salt; sulphur; earths and stone; plastering materials, lime and cement
	26	Ores, slag and ash
	27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral waxes
VI		Products of the chemical or allied industries

Sections	Chapters	Titles
	28	Inorganic chemicals; organic or inorganic compounds of precious metals, of rare-earth metals, of radioactive elements or of isotopes
	29	Organic chemicals
	30	Pharmaceutical products
	31	Fertilisers
	32	Tanning or dyeing extracts; tannins and their derivatives; dyes, pigments and other colouring matter; paints and varnishes; putty and other mastics; inks.
	33	Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet preparations.
	34	Soap, organic surface-active agents, washing preparations, lubricating preparations, artificial waxes, prepared waxes, polishing or scouring preparations, candles and similar articles, modelling pastes, "dental waxes" and dental preparations with a basis of plaster
	35	Albuminoidal substances; modified starches; glues; enzymes
	36	Explosives; pyrotechnic products; matches; pyrophoric alloys; certain combustible preparations
	37	Photographic or cinematographic goods
	38	Miscellaneous chemical products
VII		Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof
	39	Plastics and articles thereof
	40	Rubber and articles thereof
VIII		Raw hides and skins, leather, furskins and articles thereof; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silk-worm gut)
	41	Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather
	42	Articles of leather; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silk-worm gut)
	43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof
IX		Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork and articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basketware and wickerwork
	44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal
	45	Cork and articles of cork
	46	Manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basketware and wickerwork
X		Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; recovered (waste and scrap) paper or paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof
	47	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; recovered (waste and scrap) paper or paperboard
	48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard
	49	Printed books, newspapers, pictures and other products of the printing industry; manuscripts, typescripts and plans
XI		Textiles and textile articles
	50	Silk
	51	Wool, fine or coarse animal hair; horsehair yarn and woven fabric
	52	Cotton
	53	Other vegetable textile fibres; paper yarn and woven fabrics of paper yarn

Sections	Chapters	Titles
	54	Man-made filaments
	55	Man-made staple fibres
	56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens; special yarns; twine, cordage, ropes and cables and articles thereof
	57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings
	58	Special woven fabrics; tufted textile fabrics; lace; tapestries; trimmings; embroidery
	59	Impregnated, coated, covered or laminated textile fabrics; textile articles of a kind suitable for industrial use
	60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics
	61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted
	62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted.
	63	Other made up textile articles; sets; worn clothing and worn textile articles; rags
XII		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
	64	Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles
	65	Headgear and parts thereof
	66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof
	67	Prepared feathers and down and articles made of feathers or of down; artificial flowers; articles of human hair
XIII		Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass and glassware
	68	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials
	69	Ceramic products
	70	Glass and glassware
XIV		Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin
	71	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin
XV		Base metals and articles of base metal
	72	Iron and steel
	73	Articles of iron or steel
	74	Copper and articles thereof
	75	Nickel and articles thereof
	76	Aluminium and articles thereof
	77	(Reserved for possible future use in the Harmonized System)
	78	Lead and articles thereof
	79	Zinc and articles thereof
	80	Tin and articles thereof
	81	Other base metals; cermets; articles thereof
	82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof of base metal
	83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal

Sections	Chapters	Titles
XVI		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
	84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof
	85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles
XVII		Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment
	86	Railway or tramway locomotives, rolling-stock and parts thereof; railway or tramway track fixtures and fittings and parts thereof; mechanical (including electro-mechanical) traffic signalling equipment of all kinds
	87	Vehicles other than railway or tramway rolling-stock, and parts and accessories thereof
	88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof
	89	Ships, boats and floating structures
XVIII		Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; clocks and watches; musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof
	90	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; parts and accessories thereof
	91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof
	92	Musical instruments; parts and accessories of such articles
XIX		Arms and ammunition; parts and accessories thereof
	93	Arms and ammunition; parts and accessories thereof
XX		Miscellaneous manufactured articles
	94	Furniture; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings; lamps and lighting fittings, not elsewhere specified or included; illuminated signs, illuminated name-plates and the like; prefabricated buildings
	95	Toys, games and sports requisites; parts and accessories thereof
	96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles
XXI		Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques
	97	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques
		Commodities not specified according to kind
		List of commodities and transactions not classified according to kind in chapters 1 to 97
	99	Commodities not specified according to kind