



REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



Formal External Trade in Goods

July 2023

August 2023

Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods of July 2023

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 315.37 million in July 2023, an increase of 9.23 per cent compared to the previous month of June. Year-over-year, the formal trade in goods deficit increased by 1.92 per cent on the deficit of July 2022.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

FLOW	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2022	2023		2022		2023	July2023/June2023	July2023/July2022
	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹		
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	182.74	249.50	184.78	27.08	31.67	26.98	-25.94%	1.11%
Domestic exports	107.46	195.70	128.32	15.92	24.84	18.73	-34.43%	19.41%
Re-exports	75.28	53.80	56.46	11.15	6.83	8.24	4.94%	-25.01%
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	492.19	538.23	500.15	72.92	68.33	73.02	-7.08%	1.62%
Total External Trade (A+B)	674.93	787.73	684.93	100.00	100.00	100.00	-13.05%	1.48%
Trade Balance (A-B)	-309.44	-288.74	-315.37				9.23%	1.92%

Note: (R) – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In July 2023 domestic exports value decreased by 34.43 per cent compared to June 2023 but increased by 19.41 per cent compared to July 2022. Table 2 shows the values of exported goods in July 2023 by SITC sections.

Table 2. Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in July 2023

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2022	2023		2022		2023	July2023/June2023	July2023/July2022
	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	32.69	17.79	21.23	30.42	9.09	16.54	19.35%	-35.06%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.05	0.08	0.07	0.05	0.04	0.06	-13.93%	40.74%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	17.13	51.58	17.38	15.94	26.36	13.54	-66.31%	1.46%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.09	0.16	0.39	0.08	0.08	0.31	149.44%	356.98%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	1.01	1.43	0.95	0.94	0.73	0.74	-33.41%	-5.82%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	0.49	1.18	1.38	0.46	0.60	1.08	17.22%	180.29%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	10.76	11.77	8.79	10.02	6.02	6.85	-25.34%	-18.34%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	0.86	1.50	1.58	0.80	0.77	1.23	4.83%	83.83%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2.96	4.10	3.37	2.76	2.10	2.63	-17.91%	13.65%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	41.42	106.10	73.18	38.54	54.22	57.03	-31.03%	76.69%
Total Domestic Exports	107.46	195.70	128.32	100.00	100.00	100.00	-34.43%	19.41%

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Imports

In July 2023 imports value decreased by 7.08 per cent compared to June 2023 but increased by 1.62 per cent compared to July 2022. Table 2 shows the value of imported goods in July 2023 by SITC sections.

Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in July 2023

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2022	2023		2022	2023		July2023/June2023	July2023/July2022
	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	65.36	79.23	83.11	13.28	14.72	16.62	4.90%	27.15%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	28.63	8.04	8.75	5.82	1.49	1.75	8.85%	-69.44%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	8.60	9.84	14.77	1.75	1.83	2.95	50.07%	71.72%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	81.65	45.78	45.10	16.59	8.51	9.02	-1.49%	-44.77%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	17.86	18.88	17.77	3.63	3.51	3.55	-5.88%	-0.50%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	66.21	47.39	45.62	13.45	8.80	9.12	-3.72%	-31.10%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	67.74	75.01	84.64	13.76	13.94	16.92	12.84%	24.94%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	58.57	111.22	99.29	11.90	20.66	19.85	-10.73%	69.53%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	54.56	33.89	27.74	11.09	6.30	5.55	-18.14%	-49.16%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	43.00	108.96	73.37	8.74	20.24	14.67	-32.67%	70.62%
Total Imports	492.19	538.23	500.15	100.00	100.00	100.00	-7.08%	1.62%

Note: (R) – Revised

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Re-exports

In July 2023, re-export values have increased by 4.94 per cent compared to June 2023 but decreased by 25.01 per cent compared to July 2022.

Table 4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in July 2023

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2022	2023		2022	2023		July2023/June2023	July2023/July2022
	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	29.78	18.81	18.52	39.56	34.96	32.81	-1.52%	-37.80%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	1.97	2.74	3.50	2.62	5.10	6.20	27.53%	77.63%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1.70	1.63	1.66	2.26	3.03	2.94	1.81%	-2.56%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	24.21	10.91	10.77	32.16	20.28	19.07	-1.30%	-55.52%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	6.03	4.28	5.29	8.01	7.96	9.38	23.64%	-12.16%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1.03	2.83	2.54	1.37	5.26	4.50	-10.24%	146.88%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	4.20	7.79	7.36	5.57	14.48	13.04	-5.53%	75.45%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	3.96	2.58	4.42	5.25	4.80	7.84	71.29%	11.83%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2.41	2.22	2.39	3.20	4.14	4.24	7.48%	-0.89%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	-100.00%
Total Re-exports	75.28	53.80	56.46	100.00	100.00	100.00	4.94%	-25.01%

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Trading Partners

Table 5. Main Trading Partner Countries in July 2023 - Exports

		Exports (f.o.b.)							
Rank	Country	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2022	2023		2022	2023		July2023/June2023	July2023/July2022
		July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹		
1	United Arab Emirates	47.82	111.75	78.00	44.50	57.10	60.79	-30.20%	63.12%
2	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	11.49	12.91	14.06	10.70	6.60	10.95	8.90%	22.31%
3	China	1.69	9.63	7.55	1.57	4.92	5.89	-21.60%	347.41%
4	Uganda	3.55	4.43	4.18	3.30	2.26	3.25	-5.67%	17.75%
5	Hong Kong	3.21	5.64	3.55	2.98	2.88	2.77	-37.08%	10.70%
6	Pakistan	3.25	1.10	2.51	3.03	0.56	1.96	128.99%	-22.81%
7	Congo	1.59	2.30	2.12	1.48	1.18	1.66	-7.76%	33.99%
8	Burundi	0.00	1.52	1.75	0.00	0.78	1.37	15.48%	0.00%
9	United States	1.43	0.92	1.30	1.33	0.47	1.01	41.30%	-9.22%
10	Netherlands	1.56	2.06	1.25	1.45	1.05	0.97	-39.23%	-19.58%
	Rest of the World	31.88	43.44	12.05	29.67	22.20	9.39	-72.27%	-62.22%
	Total	107.46	195.70	128.32	100.00	100.00	100.00	-34.43%	19.41%

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Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in July 2023–Re-exports

		Re-Exports (f.o.b.)							
Rank	Country	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2022	2023		2022	2023		July2023/June2023	July2023/July2022
		July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹		
1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	70.27	49.67	52.42	93.35	92.31	92.86	5.55%	-25.40%
2	Burundi	0.08	0.87	1.21	0.11	1.62	2.14	38.33%	1417.25%
3	United Arab Emirates	1.20	0.86	1.00	1.60	1.60	1.77	16.08%	-16.98%
4	Ethiopia	1.30	0.52	0.75	1.72	0.98	1.34	43.77%	-41.82%
5	Qatar	0.22	0.48	0.29	0.29	0.90	0.52	-39.18%	35.98%
6	Greece	0.11	0.09	0.14	0.14	0.17	0.25	0.00%	32.45%
7	Kenya	0.08	0.03	0.09	0.10	0.05	0.17	235.90%	19.78%
8	Belgium	0.05	0.03	0.09	0.07	0.06	0.16	199.20%	79.37%
9	South Sudan	0.02	0.04	0.09	0.03	0.07	0.16	139.52%	321.89%
10	Germany	0.04	0.00	0.07	0.06	0.00	0.13		62.42%
	Rest of the World	1.91	1.21	0.29	2.54	2.24	0.52	-75.58%	-84.59%
	Total	75.28	53.80	56.46	100.00	100.00	100.00	4.94%	-25.01%

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Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in July 2023

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage					
		2022	2023		2022	2023				
		July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July2023/June2023	July2023/July2022	
1	China	104.55	105.77	86.88	138.88	196.61	153.89	-17.86%	-16.90%	
2	Tanzania, United Republic Of	77.97	55.77	64.55	103.57	103.66	114.34	15.75%	-17.20%	
3	India	38.81	59.45	49.57	51.55	110.51	87.81	-16.62%	27.74%	
4	Kenya	51.14	25.77	46.68	67.94	47.89	82.69	81.18%	-8.72%	
5	Turkey	6.07	14.28	30.36	8.07	26.55	53.78	112.59%	399.78%	
6	United Arab Emirates	35.82	17.95	22.39	47.58	33.36	39.66	0.00%	-37.49%	
7	Saudi Arabia	12.21	25.85	21.81	16.22	48.05	38.64	-15.61%	78.64%	
8	Uganda	4.13	13.74	20.67	5.49	25.53	36.61	50.47%	400.19%	
9	Cameroon	0.00	62.66	15.99	0.00	116.48	28.32	-74.48%		
10	Belgium	8.61	5.85	12.92	11.44	10.87	22.88	120.96%	50.05%	
	Rest of the World	152.87	151.14	128.31	203.07	280.93	227.27	-15.11%	-16.07%	
	Total	492.19	538.23	500.15	100.00	100.00	100.00	-7.08%	1.62%	

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Table 8. Trade in Goods by Mode of Transport (Values in US \$ Million)

	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2022	2023		2022	2023		2022	2023	
	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹	July (R)	June ¹	July ¹
<i>Air</i>	74.24	150.05	111.72	43.28	108.01	75.37	3.30	2.04	1.75
<i>Land</i>	417.95	388.18	388.43	64.18	59.84	52.95	71.98	51.76	54.71
Total	492.19	538.23	500.15	107.46	167.85	128.32	75.28	53.80	56.46

Acronyms used:

c.i.f: Cost, Insurance and Freight

f.o.b: Free On Board

S.I.T.C: Standard International Trade Classification

n.e.s: Not Elsewhere Specified