

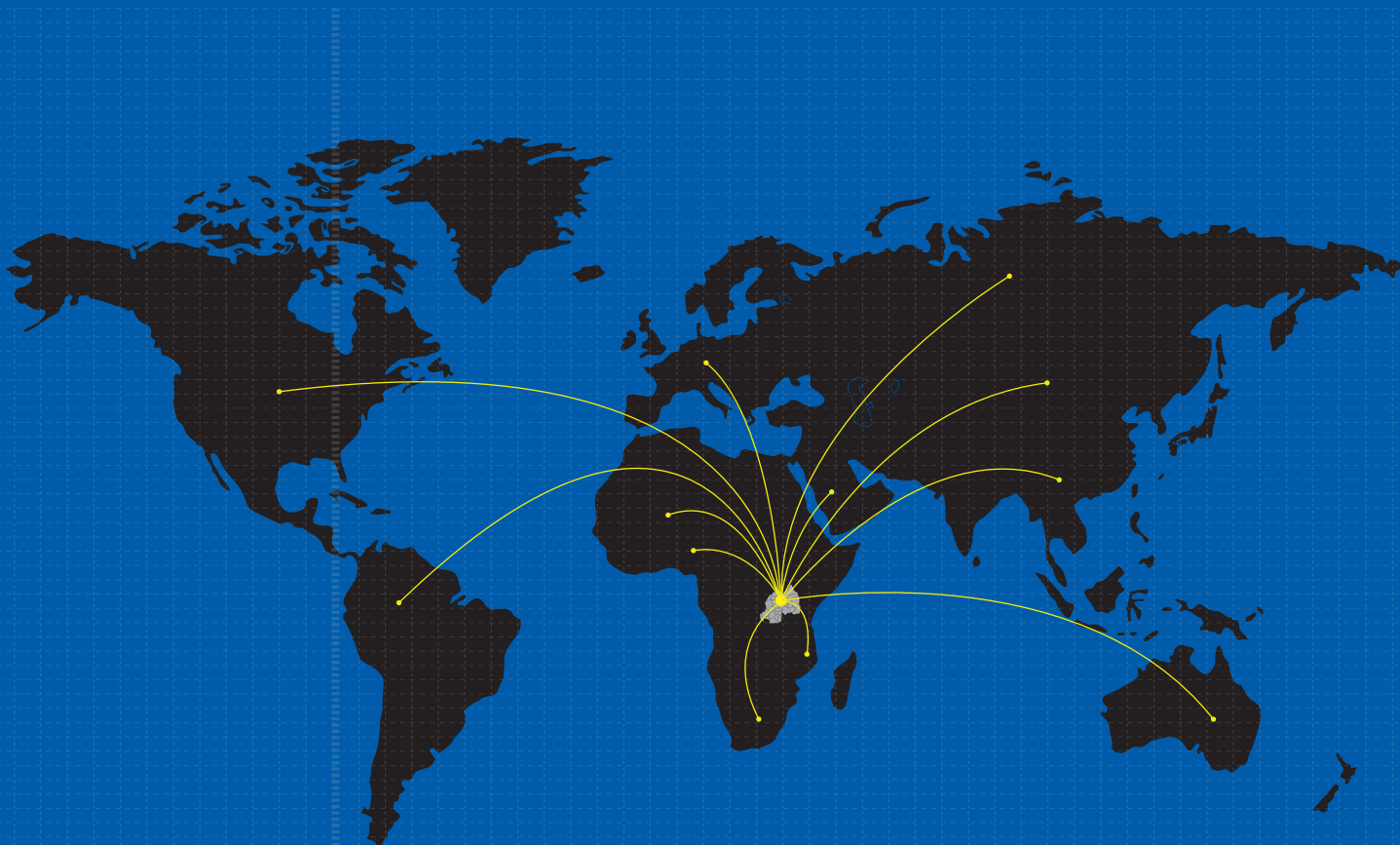


Republic
of Rwanda



Formal External Trade in Goods

March, 2025



Monthly Statistics of External Trade in Goods of March 2025

Balance of Trade

The deficit in the balance of formal trade in goods was US\$ 267.23 million in March 2025, an increase of 16.96 percent compared to the previous month of February 2025. Year-to-year, the formal trade in goods deficit decreased by 2.25 percent on the deficit of March 2024.

Table 1. Summary of Formal External Trade in Goods

FLOW	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2024	2025		2024	2025		Mar2025/Feb2025	Mar2025/Mar2024
	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹		
A. Total Exports (f.o.b)	216.65	192.28	152.95	30.66	31.36	26.69	-20.46%	-29.40%
Domestic exports	149.69	150.18	107.23	21.18	24.50	18.71	-28.60%	-28.37%
Re-exports	66.96	42.10	45.72	9.47	6.87	7.98	8.61%	-31.72%
B. Total Imports (c.i.f)	490.04	420.77	420.18	69.34	68.64	73.31	-0.14%	-14.26%
Total External Trade (A+B)	706.69	613.05	573.13	100.00	100.00	100.00	-6.51%	-18.90%
Trade Balance (A-B)	-273.38	-228.48	-267.23				16.96%	-2.25%

Note: (R) – Revised,

¹Preliminary figures

Exports

In March 2025 domestic exports value decreased by 28.60 per cent compared to February 2025 and by 28.37 per cent compared to March 2024. Table 2 shows the values of exported goods in March 2025 by SITC sections.

Table 2. Total Domestic Exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in March 2025

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2024	2025		2024	2025		Mar2025/Feb2025	Mar2025/Mar2024
	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	27.52	28.99	26.93	18.38	19.30	25.11	-7.10%	-2.15%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	0.08	0.18	1.00	0.05	0.12	0.93	440.77%	1131.20%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	21.44	19.41	22.05	14.32	12.92	20.56	13.61%	2.82%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	0.08	0.29	0.17	0.06	0.19	0.16	-42.58%	101.12%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	0.62	3.74	4.95	0.41	2.49	4.62	32.59%	702.16%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	1.93	2.22	2.32	1.29	1.48	2.17	4.44%	20.58%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	10.71	10.53	10.83	7.15	7.01	10.10	2.83%	1.11%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	1.57	0.42	1.34	1.05	0.28	1.25	221.58%	-15.00%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2.32	1.35	2.96	1.55	0.90	2.76	118.76%	27.62%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	83.42	83.06	34.69	55.73	55.31	32.35	-58.23%	-58.41%
Total Domestic Exports	149.69	150.18	107.23	100.00	100.00	100.00	-28.60%	-28.37%

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Imports

In March 2025 imports value decreased by 0.14 per cent compared to February 2025 and by 14.26 per cent compared to March 2024. Table 3 shows the value of imported goods in March 2025 by SITC sections.

Table 3. Total Imports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in March 2025

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2024	2025		2024	2025		Mar2025/Feb2025	Mar2025/Mar2024
	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	55.87	57.11	71.44	11.40	13.57	17.00	25.10%	27.88%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	7.13	11.04	9.81	1.45	2.62	2.34	-11.10%	37.63%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	12.68	10.91	9.16	2.59	2.59	2.18	-16.10%	-27.78%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	53.30	62.12	61.35	10.88	14.76	14.60	-1.25%	15.09%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	11.40	12.33	7.54	2.33	2.93	1.79	-38.85%	-33.83%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	42.07	39.45	55.40	8.58	9.38	13.19	40.43%	31.69%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	54.92	55.79	59.59	11.21	13.26	14.18	6.81%	8.51%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	107.82	93.74	88.19	22.00	22.28	20.99	-5.92%	-18.20%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	38.48	22.87	27.30	7.85	5.44	6.50	19.37%	-29.04%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	105.92	54.80	30.24	21.62	13.02	7.20	-44.81%	-71.45%
Total Imports	490.04	420.77	420.18	100.00	100.00	100.00	-0.14%	-14.26%

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Re-exports

In March 2025, re-export values have increased by 8.61 per cent compared to February 2025 and decreased by 31.72 per cent compared to March 2024.

Table 4. Total Re-exports of Goods by S.I.T.C Sections in March 2025

SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION	Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
	2024	2025		2024	2025		Mar2025/Feb2025	Mar2025/Mar2024
	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹		
0 - Food and live animals	21.01	14.40	15.24	31.38	34.21	33.34	5.85%	-27.45%
1 - Beverages and tobacco	2.87	3.74	3.36	4.29	8.88	7.36	-10.01%	17.13%
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1.04	0.91	1.31	1.56	2.17	2.86	42.88%	25.24%
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	13.76	10.69	9.14	20.55	25.39	20.00	-14.46%	-33.57%
4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	4.74	1.29	1.21	7.07	3.06	2.65	-5.82%	-74.40%
5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s.	3.49	2.60	4.90	5.22	6.17	10.71	88.57%	40.23%
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	5.21	3.62	5.18	7.79	8.59	11.33	43.22%	-0.67%
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	8.54	2.60	2.84	12.76	6.16	6.22	9.50%	-66.73%
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	6.23	2.26	2.53	9.30	5.36	5.54	12.13%	-59.33%
9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00%	-100.00%
Total Re-exports	66.96	42.10	45.72	100.00	100.00	100.00	8.61%	-31.72%

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Trading Partners

Table 5. Main Trading Partner Countries in March 2025 - Exports

		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2024	2025		2024	2025		Mar2025/Feb2025	Mar2025/Mar2024
		Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹		
1	United Arab Emirates	88.61	86.70	39.37	59.20	57.73	36.71	-0.55	-0.56
2	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	17.37	16.37	20.90	11.60	10.90	19.49	0.28	0.20
3	China	4.60	6.83	10.48	3.07	4.54	9.77	0.53	1.28
4	Luxembourg	4.87	3.90	4.17	3.25	2.60	3.89	0.07	-0.14
5	United Kingdom	2.73	3.27	3.46	1.82	2.17	3.22	0.06	0.27
6	Pakistan	2.51	2.89	3.44	1.68	1.92	3.21	0.19	0.37
7	Hong Kong	3.95	1.68	2.77	2.64	1.12	2.59	0.65	-0.30
8	United States	0.59	5.17	2.44	0.40	3.45	2.28	-0.53	3.12
9	Uganda	0.65	1.70	2.24	0.43	1.13	2.09	0.32	2.46
10	Egypt	1.27	1.74	1.48	0.85	1.16	1.38	-0.15	0.17
	Rest of the World	22.55	19.94	16.47	15.06	13.28	15.36	-0.17	-0.27
	Total	149.69	150.18	107.23	100.00	100.00	100.00	-28.60%	-28.37%

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Table 6. Main Trading Partner Countries in March 2025–Re-exports

Rank	Country	Re-Exports (f.o.b.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2024	2025		2024	2025		Mar2025/Feb2025	Mar2025/Mar2024
		Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹		
1	Congo, The Democratic Republic Of	62.70	40.08	42.57	93.64	95.21	93.12	6.22%	-32.10%
2	Ethiopia	1.54	0.79	0.76	2.30	1.89	0.70	-5.02%	-50.88%
3	Zambia	0.00	0.00	0.56	0.00	0.00	0.52	0.00%	0.00%
4	United Kingdom	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.00%	0.00%
5	United Arab Emirates	0.66	0.51	0.37	0.99	1.21	0.34	-28.26%	-44.73%
6	Kenya	0.05	0.05	0.32	0.08	0.13	0.30	501.11%	491.67%
7	Uganda	0.12	0.24	0.12	0.17	0.57	0.11	-48.95%	5.17%
8	Turkey	0.21	0.09	0.10	0.31	0.22	0.09	6.10%	-53.26%
9	Greece	0.17	0.04	0.09	0.25	0.11	0.09	103.91%	-45.91%
10	South Sudan	0.29	0.02	0.08	0.43	0.04	0.08	431.04%	-71.26%
Rest of the World		1.22	0.27	0.31	1.83	0.63	0.29	15.31%	-75.01%
Total		66.96	42.10	45.72	100.00	100.00	100.00	8.61%	-31.72%

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Table 7. Main Imports Partner Countries in March 2025

Rank	Country	Imports (c.i.f.)							
		Value: US \$ Million			Shares in percentage			Percentage Increase/Decrease	
		2024	2025		2024	2025		Mar2025/Feb2025	Mar2025/Mar2024
		Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar(R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹		
1	China	104.30	100.61	96.97	21.28	23.91	23.08	-3.62%	-7.03%
2	India	47.80	38.74	42.51	9.76	9.21	10.12	9.76%	-11.07%
3	Kenya	57.22	19.00	40.93	11.68	4.51	9.74	115.47%	-28.47%
4	Tanzania, United Republic Of	56.56	27.32	33.33	11.54	6.49	7.93	22.01%	-41.07%
5	United Arab Emirates	23.58	27.71	25.90	4.81	6.59	6.16	-6.52%	413.23%
6	United States	6.69	7.53	23.70	1.37	1.79	5.64	214.56%	254.25%
7	Uganda	17.08	16.57	18.99	3.48	3.94	4.52	14.64%	11.22%
8	Japan	7.35	14.67	9.09	1.50	3.49	2.16	-38.03%	23.72%
9	South Africa	4.18	4.05	9.05	0.85	0.96	2.15	123.25%	116.48%
10	Brazil	5.54	3.51	7.57	1.13	0.83	1.80	115.66%	36.62%
Rest of the World		159.74	161.07	112.13	32.60	38.28	26.69	-30.38%	-29.80%
Total		490.04	420.77	420.18	100.00	100.00	100.00	-0.14%	-14.26%

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

	Imports			Exports			Re-exports		
	2024		2025	2024	2025		2024	2025	
	Mar (R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar (R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹	Mar (R)	Feb ¹	Mar ¹
<i>Air</i>	151.30	82.00	79.20	86.90	87.20	39.30	2.50	1.50	1.30
<i>Land</i>	338.74	338.77	340.98	62.79	62.98	67.93	64.46	40.60	44.42
Total	490.04	420.77	420.18	149.69	150.18	107.23	66.96	42.10	45.72

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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

Feb: February

Mar: March