

FOREIGN TRADE AND GLOBAL COMMODITY PRICES

AUGUST 2026

MONTHLY REPORT



TOTAL EXPORT

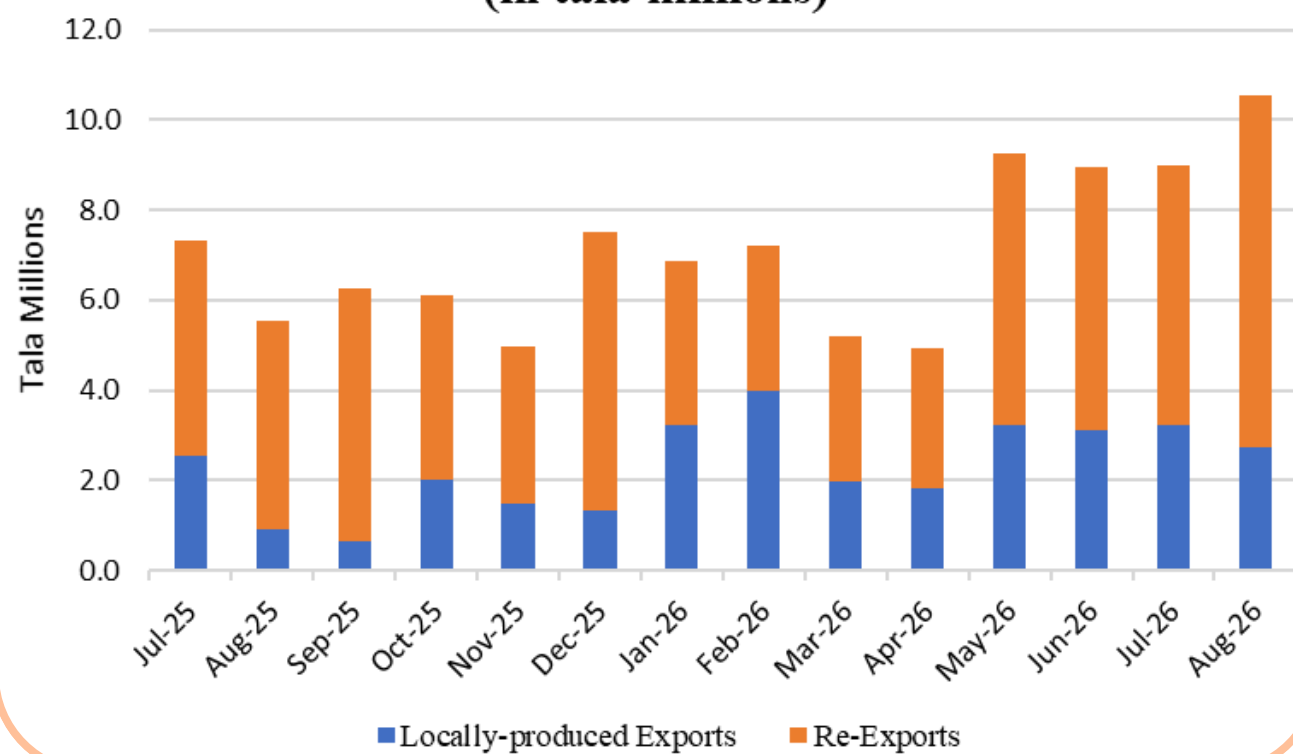
\$10.5m

MoM ^[1]

\$1.6m (17.4%)

YoY ^[2]

\$5.0m (90.5%)

Graph 1. Samoa Exports
(in tala millions)

Domestic

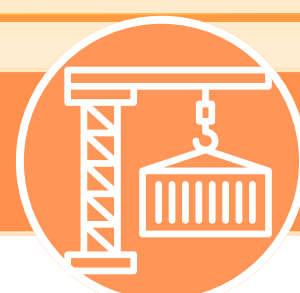
 15.4%
(\$0.5m)

Re-export

 35.9%
(\$2.1m)

Driven by:

- increased aircraft & ships refueling by \$1.7m
- despite lower domestic exports



TOTAL IMPORT

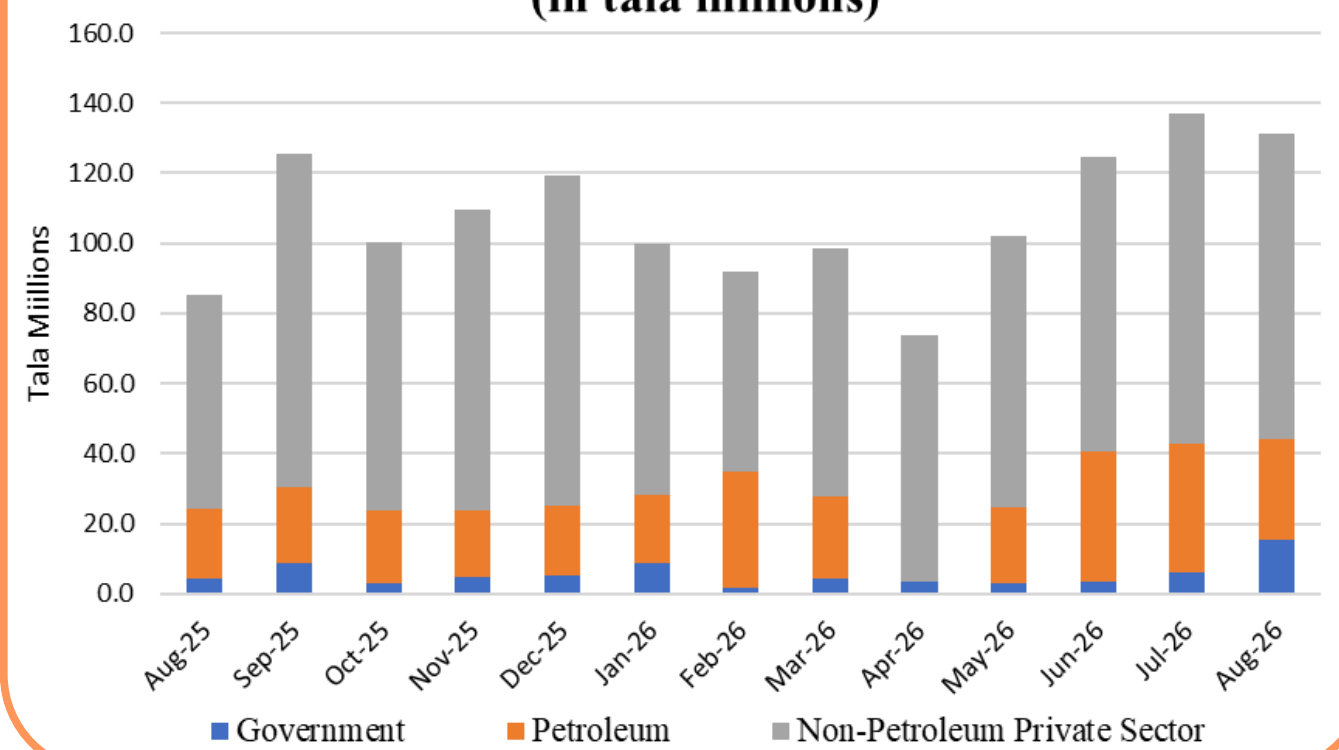
\$131.1m

MoM

\$5.8m (4.2%)

YoY

\$45.6m (53.3%)

Graph 2. Samoa Imports
(in tala millions)
Petroleum (by \$8.2m)

 Private Sector (by \$7.0m)

 Government (by \$9.4m)

Mainly:

- diesel (down by \$7.0m)
- petrol (down by \$0.8m)

Plus, decrease imports of chicken leg, flour and construction materials

GOODS TRADE DEFICIT ^[3]

\$120.5m

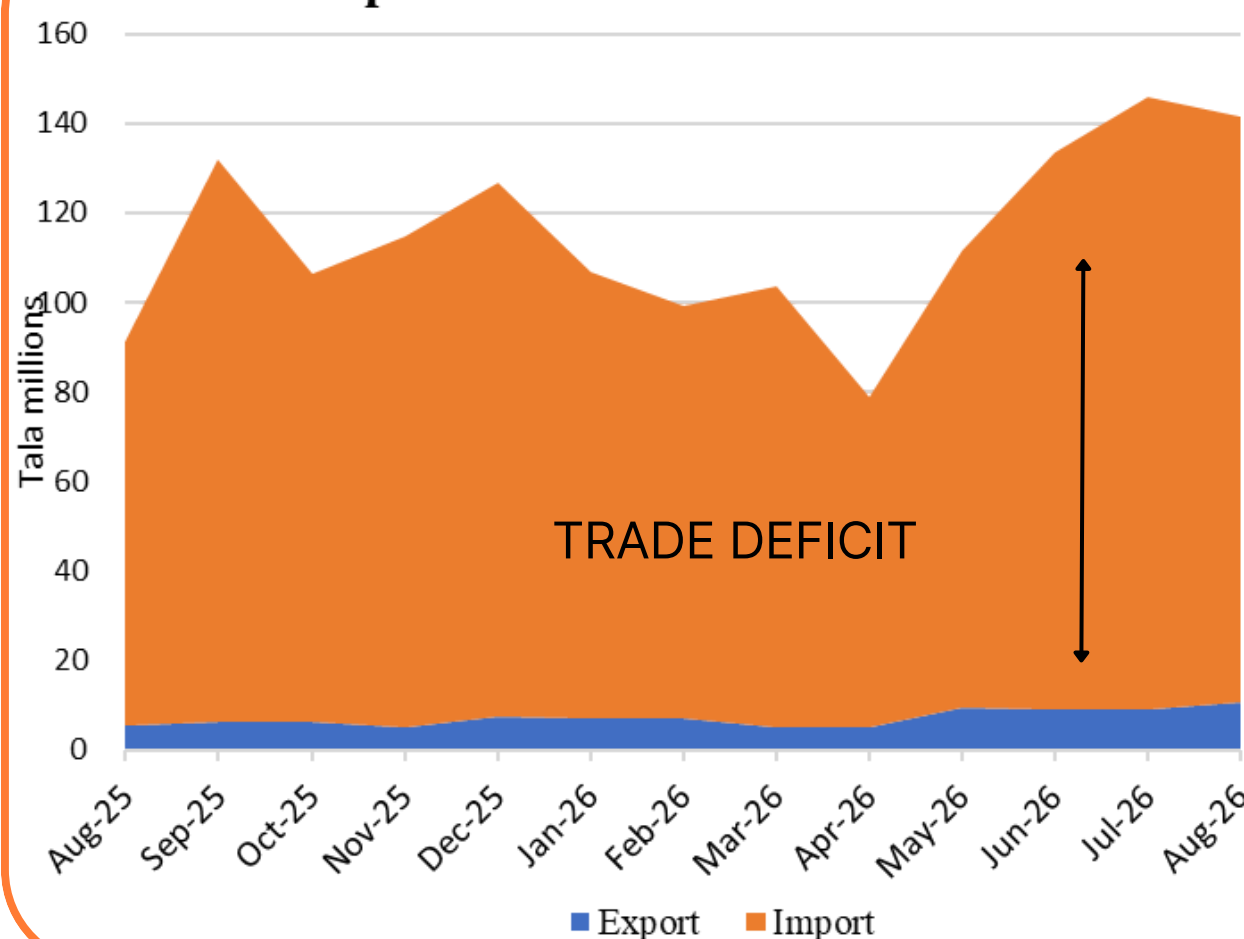
MoM

5.8%

YoY

50.8%

Graph 3. Merchandise Trade Balance

GLOBAL COMMODITY PRICES ^[4]

COCOA

6.1%



COCONUT OIL

3.7%



SUGAR

2.7%



CHICKEN

2.3%



BANANA

1.8%



RICE

0.9%



BEEF

0.4%



GLOBAL CRUDE OIL PRICES

USD \$90.90/barrel

MoM

9.0%

YoY

33.3%

- International oil prices increased in August 2026 following the breakdown of the US-Iran ceasefire agreement, disrupting oil supplies.
- Whereas seasonally higher demand for diesel, jet fuel and gasoline contributed to upward pressure on oil prices ^[5]

1. MoM = month on month - change over the previous month

2. YoY = year on year - change over the same month last year

3. Trade balance is the difference between exports of goods and imports of goods

4. Figures sourced from World Bank Pink Sheet.

5. International Energy Agency - Oil Market Report- August 2026

Table 1.	FOREIGN TRADE												
	2023	2024	2025	2026								Average level in the previous	
	Aug	Aug	Aug	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	3-years	5-years
EXPORTS (Tala Million)	10.7	11.0	5.5	6.9	7.2	5.2	4.9	9.3	8.9	9.0	10.5	9.1	8.5
Re-exports	6.6	8.6	4.6	3.6	3.2	3.2	3.1	6.0	5.8	5.7	7.8	6.6	5.4
Domestic	4.1	2.4	0.9	3.2	4.0	2.0	1.8	3.2	3.1	3.2	2.7	2.5	3.1
Fish	2.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	1.0
Coconut Oil	0.5	1.1	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.4
Taro	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.3
Beer	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3
Nonu Juice	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Others	0.8	0.9	0.5	2.0	2.3	1.7	0.3	2.9	2.1	2.5	1.9	0.7	0.9
Pacific (%)	77.3	48.4	72.1	71.1	75.6	88.7	56.4	82.1	72.7	70.9	61.7	66.0	71.7
New Zealand	18.7	16.7	36.9	47.9	42.9	40.8	28.4	46.0	44.7	36.9	26.7	24.1	25.8
Australia	15.2	13.2	6.6	9.2	4.2	11.9	5.2	4.2	6.8	7.5	7.5	11.7	11.6
Tokelau	15.9	9.5	8.8	4.0	17.7	17.9	8.6	9.3	6.4	7.6	8.9	11.4	12.4
American Samoa	24.0	4.2	5.2	1.8	5.3	8.6	2.9	4.3	3.0	2.7	2.0	11.1	15.2
Other Pacific Countries	3.5	4.8	14.5	8.2	5.5	9.5	11.3	18.3	11.8	16.2	16.7	7.6	12.2
North America (%)	5.3	12.0	15.2	18.1	18.5	2.4	24.3	2.0	8.4	6.3	6.9	10.8	8.7
USA	4.9	12.0	15.2	18.1	18.5	2.4	24.0	2.0	8.2	6.3	6.9	10.7	8.6
Europe (%)	1.2	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.5	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.4	0.4
Asia (%)	16.2	39.5	12.7	8.6	5.9	8.3	16.2	15.5	18.8	21.2	31.4	22.8	19.2
Taiwan	10.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	3.8
Singapore	0.7	36.3	5.3	8.6	3.9	5.6	14.7	14.2	16.2	18.7	13.1	14.1	15.1
Japan	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.0	1.2
Others (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
IMPORTS (Tala Million)	101.6	118.2	85.5	99.8	91.9	98.4	73.8	102.2	124.8	136.9	131.1	101.8	98.8
Government	4.5	12.5	4.5	8.9	1.7	4.3	3.6	3.1	3.4	6.0	15.4	7.2	8.1
Petroleum	20.4	26.4	19.9	19.4	33.0	23.3	0.0	21.5	37.2	37.0	28.9	22.2	24.5
Others	76.7	79.3	61.1	71.5	57.2	70.8	70.2	77.7	84.2	93.9	86.9	72.4	66.2
HS Codes: (Tala Million)													
Mineral Products	23.6	31.2	23.9	22.0	35.6	26.5	3.4	25.1	43.2	41.7	33.0	26.3	28.0
Machinery, mechanical & electrical appliances	8.7	20.8	9.5	9.0	7.0	9.7	12.1	12.8	17.3	14.2	14.1	13.0	9.2
Live animals and animal products	11.2	9.3	7.4	11.9	8.8	11.3	11.3	14.2	8.8	17.5	13.6	9.3	10.2
Prepared food stuffs; beverages and tobacco	15.4	11.9	10.7	14.5	11.0	12.2	10.4	13.4	11.9	14.5	15.7	12.7	11.8
Base metals and articles of base metals	5.9	20.8	5.5	5.6	4.3	5.8	6.2	5.8	7.6	5.3	7.3	10.7	8.2
Products of the chemical and allied industries	6.5	6.4	4.6	5.9	4.4	7.1	5.9	6.2	6.2	7.3	6.1	5.8	6.1
Pacific (%)	43.8	48.7	43.7	33.9	38.2	47.5	64.5	48.7	41.9	42.6	43.1	45.4	42.6
New Zealand	22.7	33.1	30.2	15.5	20.6	27.4	35.2	29.7	20.5	24.0	25.2	28.7	26.7
Fiji	10.0	8.5	6.4	6.9	8.1	11.6	15.5	9.4	11.8	10.8	8.3	8.3	9.1
North America (%)	6.3	7.8	6.5	8.3	5.5	7.3	9.1	9.8	5.4	9.4	6.8	6.9	9.4
USA	6.3	7.8	6.5	8.1	5.5	7.3	8.8	9.8	5.3	9.4	6.8	6.9	9.4
Europe (%)	0.0	0.1	0.1	4.1	0.1	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.4
Asia (%)	49.8	43.2	49.3	52.5	55.6	43.9	25.6	40.6	52.2	47.1	49.6	47.4	47.4
Singapore	22.6	23.0	23.7	21.9	39.1	24.2	0.6	21.9	31.9	28.2	23.0	23.1	25.6
China	10.2	8.4	9.7	15.2	8.2	12.6	11.7	10.3	11.6	8.9	9.9	9.4	7.8
Japan	3.3	2.1	1.5	3.5	1.8	1.4	4.7	1.9	2.7	4.0	2.5	2.3	1.8
Others (%)	0.1	0.1	0.4	1.2	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.1
INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES													
Oil (US\$/bbl)	86.16	80.86	68.20	66.77	71.11	103.69	120.42	107.54	85.40	83.40	90.90	78.4	80.8
Cocoa (US\$/kg)	3.46	6.88	7.60	4.97	3.59	3.24	3.40	4.16	4.40	5.61	5.95	6.0	4.5
Coconut oil (US\$/mt)	1099.1	1618.6	2742.2	2197.0	2259.1	2349.0	2331.5	2172.0	1979.0	1924.0	1853.0	1,820.0	1,667.6
Banana (US\$/kg)	1.07	1.07	1.12	1.12	1.14	1.11	1.12	1.14	1.11	1.09	1.07	1.1	1.0
Rice (US\$/mt)	635.00	589.00	375.00	408.00	409.00	381.00	403.00	440.00	494.00	467.00	471.00	533.0	486.6
Beef (US\$/kg)	4.93	6.34	6.86	7.97	8.12	8.21	8.21	7.95	7.46	7.31	7.28	6.0	5.9
Chicken (US\$/kg)	2.89	1.38	1.67	1.75	1.79	1.66	1.75	1.86	1.77	1.73	1.69	2.0	2.3
Sugar (US\$/kg)	0.36	0.36	0.38	0.38	0.39	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.37	0.38	0.4	0.4
Source: Central Bank of Samoa, Work Bank Pink Sheet (International commodity prices)													
(n/a) Not available													