



Foreign Trade and International Commodity Prices

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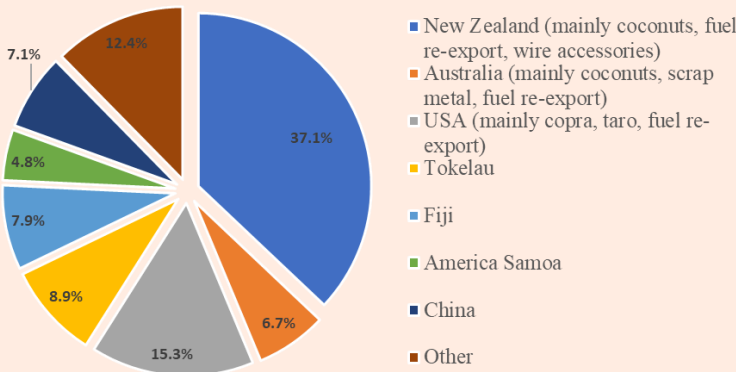
EXPORTS \$5.5M

- Export revenue in July 2025: \$7.3 million
- A \$1.8 million drop (24.5%) over the last month, mainly due to:
 - 57.0% decrease in domestically-produced exports (by \$1.0 million), mainly coconut oil and nonu juice.
 - 14.4% fall in re-exports (by \$0.8 million).
- \$5.5 million (49.8%) decline from August 2024.

Graph 1. Samoa Exports (in tala millions)



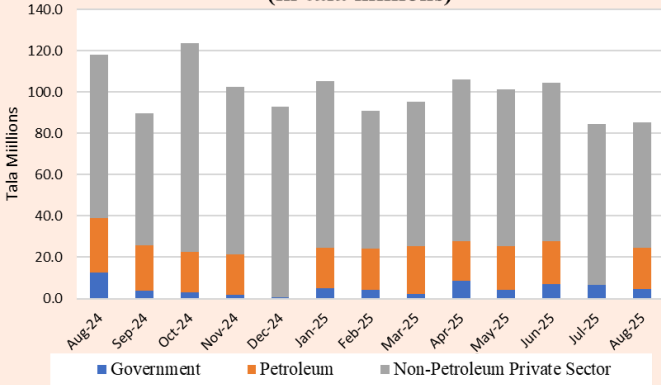
Graph 2: Exports by Country (%)



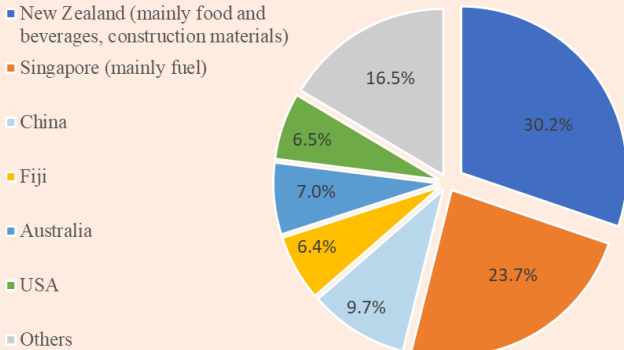
IMPORTS \$85.5M

- Import Payments in July 2025: \$84.6 million
- \$0.9 million (1.0%) decrease from the previous month, due to:
 - Notable reduction in non-petroleum private sector imports by \$16.8 million
 - Lower government imports by \$2.2 million
 - Offset by higher petroleum imports (up by \$19.9 million).
- \$32.7 million (27.7%) drop from August 2024.

Graph 3. Samoa Imports (in tala millions)



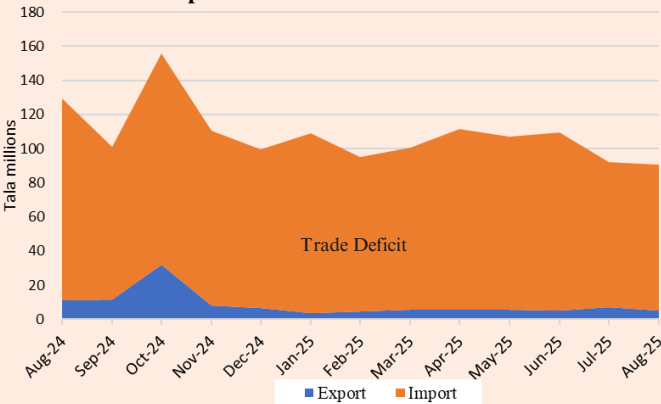
Graph 4: Imports by Country (%)



GOODS TRADE DEFICIT^[1] \$80.1M

- \$2.8 million (3.7%) higher than \$77.3 million in the previous month.
- A 25.3% decline compared to the same month of 2024.

Graph 3. Merchandise Trade Balance



GLOBAL COMMODITY PRICES^[2]

- Chicken prices declined by 5.9%
 - Strong US poultry production in July 2025, combined with increased supply in the markets in early August 2025.^[3]
- Rice prices also fell by 4.3%
 - Wholesale rice prices in Thailand declined due to lower exports and abundant supply.^[4]
- Banana prices down by 2.4%
- Sugar prices down by 0.4%
- Cocoa prices up by 3.1%
- Beef prices up by 2.0%

CRUDE OIL PRICES USD\$68.20/barrel

- 3.9% drop from USD\$70.95 per barrel last month, reflecting:
 - The OPEC's announcement to unwind production cuts by September 2025.
 - EIA's forecast for Brent crude to fall below \$60.00 per barrel by December 2025 quarter and average around \$50.00 per barrel in 2026.^[5]

[1] Trade balance is the difference between exports of goods less imports of goods.

[2] Figures sourced from World Bank Pink Sheet.

[3] United States Department of Agriculture. *Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Outlook - September 2025*.

[4] Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. *Food Price Monitoring and Analysis (Far East Asia, 11/09/2025)*.

[5] U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA). *Press Release - August, 2025*.

| Table 1. | FOREIGN TRADE | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | | | | | | | | Fiscal year | | Average level in the previous | |
| | Aug | Aug | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Jul24-Aug24 | Jul25-Aug25 | 3-years | 5-years |
| EXPORTS (Tala Million) | 10.7 | 11.0 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.1 | 7.30 | 5.51 | 17.2 | 12.8 | 10.7 | 8.9 |
| TOTAL FISCAL MONTHS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal Year up to; | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| % change | -10.1% | 22.5% | 13.5% | 7.5% | 4.4% | 3.7% | 1.6% | 0.6% | 16.5% | -45.0% | | | | |
| 3 year average | 7.7% | 24.5% | 18.9% | 18.0% | 2.9% | 14.9% | 2.0% | 5.9% | 34.3% | 36.1% | | | | |
| 5 year average | 17.0% | 7.0% | -3.3% | 6.7% | -1.3% | 3.5% | -3.3% | -7.1% | 8.9% | 6.0% | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Re-exports | 6.6 | 8.6 | 2.7 | 3.3 | 3.1 | 3.4 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 5.6 | 4.8 | 13.2 | 10.3 | 6.8 | 5.1 |
| Domestic | 4.1 | 2.4 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 3.9 |
| Fish | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| Coconut Oil | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| Taro | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| Beer | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Nonu Juice | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Others | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.9 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pacific (%) | 77.3 | 48.4 | 77.9 | 84.8 | 63.3 | 53.5 | 55.5 | 75.2 | 72.6 | 72.0 | Average | | 68.8 | 73.0 |
| New Zealand | 18.7 | 16.7 | 28.1 | 42.0 | 28.2 | 22.2 | 29.2 | 33.7 | 34.0 | 37.1 | 56.9 | 72.3 | 20.1 | 22.7 |
| Australia | 15.2 | 13.2 | 26.2 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 10.2 | 9.4 | 17.9 | 11.6 | 6.7 | 20.9 | 35.5 | 12.5 | 11.9 |
| Tokelau | 15.9 | 9.5 | 11.0 | 14.3 | 9.5 | 10.8 | 5.3 | 8.4 | 10.3 | 8.9 | 9.1 | 9.6 | 13.4 | 11.9 |
| American Samoa | 24.0 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 7.2 | 9.3 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 5.7 | 8.3 | 4.8 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 18.4 | 21.8 |
| Other Pacific Countries | 3.5 | 4.8 | 10.3 | 11.4 | 6.4 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 9.5 | 8.3 | 14.6 | 5.9 | 11.4 | 9.4 | 11.6 |
| North America (%) | 5.3 | 12.0 | 7.9 | 3.0 | 27.6 | 33.7 | 34.5 | 14.9 | 21.2 | 15.3 | 13.7 | 18.2 | 5.9 | 7.7 |
| USA | 4.9 | 12.0 | 7.9 | 3.0 | 27.6 | 33.7 | 34.5 | 14.9 | 21.2 | 15.3 | 13.3 | 18.2 | 5.8 | 7.6 |
| Europe (%) | 1.2 | 0.0 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.8 |
| Asia (%) | 16.2 | 39.5 | 10.5 | 12.1 | 9.0 | 10.2 | 9.8 | 6.9 | 6.2 | 12.8 | 29.5 | 9.5 | 24.8 | 18.5 |
| Taiwan | 10.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| Singapore | 0.7 | 36.3 | 4.9 | 4.3 | 5.4 | 2.7 | 5.2 | 1.1 | 2.5 | 5.4 | 20.3 | 3.9 | 15.1 | 18.8 |
| Japan | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| Others (%) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
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| IMPORTS (Tala Million) | 101.6 | 118.2 | 105.3 | 90.8 | 95.3 | 106.1 | 101.3 | 104.5 | 84.6 | 85.5 | 222.4 | 170.1 | 112.4 | 95.2 |
| TOTAL FISCAL MONTHS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal Year up to; | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| % change | -6.4% | 17.5% | 3.4% | 2.8% | 4.4% | 0.1% | 1.6% | 1.5% | 1166% | 531% | | | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| 3 year average | 16.7% | 18.8% | 28.3% | 23.7% | 6.0% | 31.9% | 2.8% | 21.0% | 22.8% | 22.7% | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 5 year average | 13.1% | 7.2% | 17.8% | 15.0% | 4.6% | 18.8% | 5.3% | 8.4% | 9.2% | 10.6% | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Government | 4.5 | 12.5 | 5.1 | 4.3 | 2.2 | 8.7 | 4.1 | 7.0 | 6.7 | 4.5 | 14.9 | 11.2 | 10.5 | 7.8 |
| Petroleum | 20.4 | 26.4 | 19.4 | 20.0 | 23.1 | 19.0 | 21.1 | 20.8 | 0.0 | 19.9 | 40.2 | 19.9 | 28.5 | 23.7 |
| Others | 76.7 | 79.3 | 80.8 | 66.6 | 70.0 | 78.4 | 76.1 | 76.7 | 77.9 | 61.1 | 167.4 | 139.0 | 73.4 | 63.8 |
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| HS Codes: (Tala Million) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mineral Products | 23.6 | 31.2 | 22.3 | 22.8 | 26.6 | 23.1 | 24.3 | 25.3 | 4.2 | 23.9 | 49.6 | 28.2 | 32.1 | 27.1 |
| Machinery, mechanical & electrical appliances | 8.7 | 20.8 | 14.0 | 7.7 | 9.3 | 13.1 | 12.9 | 13.5 | 13.5 | 9.5 | 36.4 | 23.0 | 9.9 | 9.0 |
| Live animals and animal products | 11.2 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 12.9 | 7.4 | 12.9 | 12.4 | 6.6 | 12.3 | 7.4 | 18.3 | 19.7 | 11.4 | 10.2 |
| Prepared food stuffs; beverages and tobacco | 15.4 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 11.2 | 13.8 | 13.1 | 12.1 | 13.4 | 12.5 | 10.7 | 28.2 | 23.3 | 13.3 | 10.9 |
| Base metals and articles of base metals | 5.9 | 20.8 | 5.7 | 7.4 | 4.7 | 5.1 | 5.8 | 9.5 | 6.4 | 5.5 | 36.4 | 11.9 | 10.4 | 7.9 |
| Products of the chemical and allied industries | 6.5 | 6.4 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 4.6 | 13.4 | 10.9 | 6.9 | 6.1 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pacific (%) | 43.8 | 48.7 | 33.7 | 40.9 | 46.6 | 40.1 | 46.5 | 44.4 | 59.9 | 43.7 | 45.6 | 51.8 | 40.6 | 42.8 |
| New Zealand | 22.7 | 33.1 | 17.3 | 25.6 | 28.0 | 26.5 | 31.9 | 29.5 | 36.7 | 30.2 | 28.5 | 33.4 | 23.1 | 26.5 |
| Fiji | 10.0 | 8.5 | 6.5 | 7.8 | 9.7 | 7.4 | 8.3 | 7.7 | 11.8 | 6.4 | 9.6 | 9.1 | 9.7 | 9.2 |
| North America (%) | 6.3 | 7.8 | 6.8 | 9.9 | 4.8 | 9.4 | 8.4 | 4.6 | 10.6 | 6.5 | 6.9 | 8.5 | 9.2 | 10.1 |
| USA | 6.3 | 7.8 | 6.8 | 9.9 | 4.8 | 9.3 | 8.4 | 4.5 | 10.5 | 6.5 | 6.8 | 8.5 | 9.1 | 10.0 |
| Europe (%) | 0.0 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Asia (%) | 49.8 | 43.2 | 56.9 | 48.9 | 47.9 | 49.5 | 44.2 | 50.1 | 27.7 | 49.3 | 47.0 | 38.5 | 49.6 | 46.5 |
| Singapore | 22.6 | 23.0 | 19.6 | 23.2 | 26.1 | 20.7 | 22.4 | 22.1 | 1.3 | 23.7 | 18.5 | 12.5 | 26.3 | 25.5 |
| China | 10.2 | 8.4 | 16.8 | 13.3 | 7.5 | 11.7 | 9.6 | 10.8 | 10.4 | 9.7 | 13.3 | 10.0 | 8.0 | 6.8 |
| Japan | 3.3 | 2.1 | 4.3 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 2.0 |
| Others (%) | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
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| INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oil (US\$/bbl) | 86.16 | 80.86 | 79.21 | 75.16 | 72.57 | 67.75 | 64.21 | 71.45 | 70.95 | 68.20 | 83.1 | 69.6 | 88.5 | 76.0 |
| Cocoa (US\$/kg) | 3.46 | 6.88 | 10.75 | 9.86 | 8.08 | 8.15 | 8.99 | 8.40 | 7.37 | 7.60 | 7.0 | 7.5 | 4.2 | 3.5 |
| Coconut oil (US\$/mt) | 1099.1 | 1618.6 | 1978.4 | 1990.0 | 2356.0 | 2483.0 | 2766.8 | 2698.8 | 2841.0 | 2845.0 | 1,546.5 | 2,843.0 | 1,367.4 | 1,315.4 |
| Banana (US\$/kg) | 1.07 | 1.07 | 1.02 | 1.03 | 1.08 | 1.12 | 1.14 | 1.16 | 1.15 | 1.12 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Rice (US\$/mt) | 635.00 | 589.00 | 478.00 | 437.00 | 425.00 | 415.00 | 431.00 | 419.00 | 392.00 | 375.00 | 589.5 | 383.5 | 551.7 | 512.6 |
| Beef (US\$/kg) | 4.93 | 6.34 | 6.46 | 6.62 | 6.77 | 6.71 | 6.62 | 6.67 | 6.72 | 6.86 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 5.7 | 5.4 |
| Chicken (US\$/kg) | 2.89 | 1.38 | 1.54 | 1.63 | 1.63 | 1.74 | 1.78 | 1.78 | 1.78 | 1.67 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 2.3 |
| Sugar (US\$/kg) | 0.36 | 0.36 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.35 | 0.37 | 0.37 | 0.38 | 0.38 | 0.38 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
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| Source: Central Bank of Samoa, Work Bank Pink Sheet (International commodity prices) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (n/a) Not available | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The spike in exports in October 2024 was driven by a one off re-export of fibre optic cables to Singapore. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |