

Monthly Harmonized Trade Data Statistics for Liberia

August 2017

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Liberia's Total Imports and Exports ⁽¹⁾

	Imports (FOB) ⁽²⁾	Imports (CIF) ⁽³⁾	Exports (FOB)	Exports (CIF) ⁽⁴⁾
August 2017	\$ 74,980,114	\$ 81,775,864	\$ 35,617,495	\$ 35,617,495
July 2017	\$ 66,139,351	\$ 72,263,937	\$ 31,645,912	\$ 31,637,592
Change	↑ 13.4%	↑ 13.2%	↓ 12.6%	↓ 12.6%

Liberia's Total Imports and Exports of Strictly Commercial Nature ⁽⁵⁾

	Imports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Exports (FOB)	Exports (CIF) ⁽⁴⁾
August 2017	\$ 38,644,386	\$ 43,414,148	\$ 35,617,495	\$ 35,617,495
July 2017	\$ 33,810,189	\$ 38,045,021	\$ 31,645,912	\$ 31,637,592
Change	↑ 14.3%	↑ 14.1%	↓ 12.6%	↓ 12.6%

Essential Commodities Imports (CIF) ^(with HS Codes)

	July	August	Change
Cement (2523.2100)	\$ 23,197,326	\$ 12,679	↓ -100%
Eggs (0407)	\$ 817,293	\$ 375,546	↓ -54%
Wheat Flour (1101.0000)	\$ 2,509,520	\$ 118,381	↓ -95%
Petroleum (AGO and PMS) (2710.1921,1223)	\$ 11,673,655	\$ 10,658,590	↓ -9%
Biscuits and Wafers (1904.1000, 1905.3200)	\$ 307,481	\$ 87,646	↓ -71%
Confectionary (1704)	\$ 8,111,839	\$ 363,486	↓ -96%
Nails (7317)	\$ 10,587,943	\$ 5,677	↓ -100%
Bleach (2828.9010)	\$ 11,319,042	\$ 28,885	↓ -100%
Rice (1006)	\$ 3,739,546	\$ 6,567,726	↑ 76%
Plastics (39.17, 39.20-25, 63.05, 94.01)	\$ 292	\$ 1,782,626	↑ 610012%

Key Commodity Exports (FOB) ⁽⁶⁾

	July	August	Change
Gold	\$ 9,068	\$ 14,233,875	↑ 156868%
Diamonds	\$ 104,260	\$ 4,359,015	↑ 4081%
Iron Ore	\$ 78,290	\$ 8,378,561	↑ 10602%
Metal Scrap	\$ 10,975,892	\$ 216,000	↓ -98%
Rubber (TSR)	\$ 26,096	\$ 5,047,226	↑ 19241%
Rubber (RSS)	\$ 276,943	\$ 13,260	↓ -95%
Rubber Wood	\$ 82,264	\$ 16,233	↓ -80%
Logs / other Wood	\$ 1,469	\$ 1,857,488	↑ 126355%
Palm Oil	\$ 15,325,999	\$ 762,060	↓ -95%
Fish	\$ 1,109,121	\$ -	↓ -100%
Cocoa	\$ -	\$ 731,250	

Top 10 Source Countries for Liberia's Imports ⁽⁷⁾

Code	Country	August CIF
CN	China	\$ 26,337,854
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	\$ 11,368,245
US	United States	\$ 6,699,976
IN	India	\$ 5,735,707
TR	Turkey	\$ 2,630,233
ES	Spain	\$ 2,618,495
NL	Netherlands	\$ 2,110,291
AE	United Arab Emirates	\$ 1,987,751
BE	Belgium	\$ 1,884,584
SA	Saudi Arabia	\$ 1,649,437

Destination Countries for Liberia's Exports ⁽⁸⁾

Code	Country	August CIF
TR	Turkey	\$ 14,109,944
PL	Poland	\$ 8,378,561
US	United States	\$ 4,556,308
IL	Israel	\$ 2,434,580
SG	Singapore	\$ 1,812,015
BE	Belgium	\$ 1,488,921
AE	United Arab Emirates	\$ 542,984
MY	Malaysia	\$ 507,150
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	\$ 432,150

Regional (ECOWAS) Trade

	Value	% of Total
Share of Imports from ECOWAS (CIF)	\$ 11,334,998	13.86%
Share of Exports to ECOWAS (FOB)	\$ -	0.00%

Top Importers with Key Products Imported

Company Name	Key Imports	CIF
SUPPLYING WEST AFRICA TRADERS INC.SAYC	RICE 25KG 600,00BAGS	\$ 5,544,325
	WHITE CRYSTAL SUGAR 50KG(BAG)	\$ 393,390
	JASMINE RICE UNCLE SAM	\$ 120,290
	JASMINE RICE BAGS	\$ 120,290
	TOTAL	\$ 6,178,295
TOTAL LIBERIA INC.CORPORATIONU.N. DRIVE,	AGO	\$ 1,491,500
	PMS	\$ 1,028,040
	TOTAL	\$ 2,519,540
MONROVIA OIL TRADING CORP. (M.O.T.CPST B	PMS	\$ 1,244,880
	AGO	\$ 695,627
	TOTAL	\$ 1,940,507
DURA PLAST (LIB.) INC.GARDNERSVILLE, IRON	HDPE 25KGS PER BAG GRADE	\$ 983,652
	S-PVC RESIN K-65	\$ 314,150
	HDPE 25KGS PER BAG GRADE TAIISO	\$ 302,243
	HDPE 25KGS X700 BAGS	\$ 289,870
	TOTAL	\$ 1,889,915
CHINA HENAN INTERNATIONAL(CHICO)ELWA C	2017 PAVER CH#BH0243	\$ 320,453
	2017 EXCAVATOR CH#1161	\$ 210,387
	2017 EXCAVATOR CH#1160	\$ 210,387
	2017 EXCAVATOR CH#1102	\$ 210,387
	2017 EXCAVATOR CH#1162	\$ 210,387
	2017 EXCAVATOR CH#1108	\$ 210,387
	2017 EXCAVATOR CH#1159	\$ 210,387
	TOTAL	\$ 1,582,773
NATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY & WELFARE15TH	IMAGING EQUIPMENT	\$ 807,290
	MEDICAL IMAGING	\$ 501,717
	ANTI BACTERIAL	\$ 191,804
	TOTAL	\$ 1,500,810

Top Exporters and Key Products Exported

Company Name	Key Exports	FOB
AVESORO	INDUSTRIAL GOLD	\$ 10,431,290
	TOTAL	\$ 10,431,290
ARCELOR MITTAL LIB. LTD14 STREET TUBMAN	DIRECT SHIPPED ORE	\$ 8,378,561
	TOTAL	\$ 8,378,561
FIRESTONE LIBERIA INCHARBELMARGIBILIBEF	PROCESSED BLOCK RUBBER(79X20)	\$ 2,391,106
	PROCESSED RUBBER WOOD(1X20)	\$ 16,233
	PROCESSED BLOCK RUBBER(71X20)	\$ 2,148,969
	TOTAL	\$ 4,556,308
MNG GOLD	INDUSTRIAL GOLD	\$ 3,678,654
	TOTAL	\$ 3,678,654
Alpha Logging and Wood Processing Inc, Monrovia	Logs	\$ 1,812,015
	TOTAL	\$ 1,812,015
WEST AFRICA DIAMONDS INC.	DIAMONDS	\$ 1,296,353
	TOTAL	\$ 1,296,353
AFRIC DIAM COMPANY INC.	DIAMONDS	\$ 1,138,227
	TOTAL	\$ 1,138,227
MANO PALM OIL INDUSTRIES LIMITEDBUSHRO	CRUDE PALM OIL24X20 516MTS	\$ 327,660
	CRUDE PALM OIL (30X20 645 MT)	\$ 432,150
	TOTAL	\$ 759,810
GLOBAL DIAMOND COMPANY INC.	DIAMONDS	\$ 758,102
	TOTAL	\$ 758,102
ROYAL COMPANY	DIAMONDS	\$ 666,333
	TOTAL	\$ 666,333

Notes

- (1) Liberia's Total Imports include imports registered as Household Consumption (SAD_PRC 4). It excludes re-imports, temporary imports and bonded imports. It also does not include imports registered as Household Consumption by International Organizations and by or on behalf of (Representatives of) Foreign Governments (as per National_DSC in ASYCUDA);
Total Exports does not include re-exports, even if the initial import took place multiple years ago.
- (2) Import FOB values differ slightly from CBL Balance of Payments, as CBL applies a different technique to derive FOB import values using the Asycuda CIF and the FOB/CIF ratio.
- (3) Out of Liberia's Total Imports (CIF), 0.3 Million was imported on behalf of GoL by non-residents, which is excluded in CBL reporting for BOP purposes. (Exact figure = 301116.6)
- (4) Due to export data entry issues, CIF export values do not (fully) capture Insurance and Freight values. Exports also do not include Goods Procured in Port by Carriers, as reported by CBL for BOP purposes.
- (5) Strictly Commercial Imports and Exports are classified by National_DSC as "Common Regime" and include only those imports and exports which are not subject to special exemptions and waivers.
- (6) Source for Gold and Diamond Exports: Ministry of Lands, Mines and Energy;
Iron Ore exports pending further review by LRA
Export HS codes are the following:

Gold	HS Code: 7108
Diamonds	HS Code: 7102
Iron Ore	HS Code: 2601
Metal Scrap	HS Code: 73030090
Rubber (TSR)	HS Code: 4001.2200
Rubber (RSS)	HS Code: 4001.2100
Rubber Wood	HS Code: 4412.3900
Logs / other Wood	HS Code: 4407.1900, 4002.1900
Palm Oil	HS Code: 1511.1010
Fish	HS Code: 03
Cocoa	HS Code: 1801
- (7) Source Country does not refer to country of origin, but country of sourcing the import
- (8) Destination of Gold and Diamond exports is preliminary or not included and pending review by MLME

Data for August 2017 is preliminary and pending potential further data corrections by stakeholders.

