

Monthly Harmonized Trade Data Statistics for Liberia

September 2017

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Liberia's Total Imports and Exports ⁽¹⁾

	Imports (FOB) ⁽²⁾	Imports (CIF) ⁽³⁾	Exports (FOB)	Exports (CIF) ⁽⁴⁾
September 2017	\$ 71,685,081	\$ 78,352,032	\$ 32,278,899	\$ 32,278,899
August 2017	\$ 74,980,114	\$ 81,775,864	\$ 35,617,495	\$ 35,617,495
Change	↑ -4.4%	↑ -4.2%	↓ -9.4%	↓ -9.4%

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

	Imports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Exports (FOB)	Exports (CIF) ⁽⁴⁾
September 2017	\$ 33,701,780	\$ 37,416,504	\$ 32,278,899	\$ 32,278,899
August 2017	\$ 38,644,386	\$ 43,414,148	\$ 35,617,495	\$ 35,617,495
Change	↓ -12.8%	↓ -13.8%	↑ -9.4%	↑ -9.4%

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

	August	September	Change
Cement (2523.2100)	\$ 12,679	\$ 6,541	↓ -48%
Eggs (0407)	\$ 375,546	\$ 524,585	↑ 40%
Wheat Flour (1101.0000)	\$ 118,381	\$ 36,304	↓ -69%
Petroleum (AGO and PMS) (2710.1921,1223)	\$ 10,658,590	\$ 10,327,371	↓ -3%
Biscuits and Wafers (1904.1000, 1905.3200)	\$ 87,646	\$ 63,154	↓ -28%
Confectionary (1704)	\$ 363,486	\$ 185,050	↓ -49%
Nails (7317)	\$ 5,677	\$ 106,693	↑ 1779%
Bleach (2828.9010)	\$ 28,885	\$ 577	↓ -98%
Rice (1006)	\$ 6,567,726	\$ 8,201,674	↑ 25%
Plastics (39.17, 39.20-25, 63.05, 94.01)	\$ 1,782,626	\$ 1,559,628	↓ -13%

Key Commodity Exports (FOB) ⁽⁶⁾

	August	September	Change
Gold	\$ 14,233,875	\$ 15,689,879	↑ 10%
Diamonds	\$ 4,359,015	\$ 295,708	↓ -93%
Iron Ore	\$ 8,378,561	\$ 5,093,493	↓ -39%
Metal Scrap	\$ 216,000	\$ 67,500	↓ -69%
Rubber (TSR)	\$ 5,047,226	\$ 9,495,638	↑ 88%
Rubber (RSS)	\$ 13,260	\$ 13,260	→ 0%
Rubber Wood	\$ 16,233	\$ -	↓ -100%
Logs / other Wood	\$ 1,857,488	\$ 705,229	↓ -62%
Palm Oil	\$ 762,060	\$ 912,315	↑ 20%
Fish	\$ -	\$ -	
Cocoa	\$ 731,250	\$ -	↓ -100%

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

Code	Country	September CIF
US	United States	\$ 16,379,178
NL	Netherlands	\$ 15,542,819
CN	China	\$ 13,652,972
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	\$ 11,257,856
IN	India	\$ 6,217,121
ID	Indonesia	\$ 4,091,861
BE	Belgium	\$ 3,267,210
AE	United Arab Emirates	\$ 2,422,423
TR	Turkey	\$ 1,821,540
GH	Ghana	\$ 1,708,244

Destination Countries for Liberia's Exports ⁽⁸⁾

Code	Country	September CIF
TR	Turkey	\$ 15,648,397
US	United States	\$ 5,358,516
PL	Poland	\$ 5,093,493
BE	Belgium	\$ 3,830,400
BD	Bangladesh	\$ 700,000
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	\$ 593,400
CM	Cameroon	\$ 309,600
SG	Singapore	\$ 155,500
BE	Belgium	\$ 123,835

Regional (ECOWAS) Trade

	Value	% of Total
Share of Imports from ECOWAS (CIF)	\$ 12,109,894	15.46%
Share of Exports to ECOWAS (FOB)	\$ -	0.00%

Top Importers with Key Products Imported

Company Name	Key Imports	CIF
UNITED COMMODITIES INC.SAYON TOWN BRU	BULK RICE	\$ 6,770,409
	BULK LONG GRAIN RICE	\$ 580,154
	5,400 BAGS WHITE CRYSTAL SUGAR	\$ 114,750
	5,800 BAGS ONIONS MEDINE	\$ 11,600
	TOTAL	\$ 7,476,914
FOUANI BROTHERS CORPORATIONVAI TOWNM	RBD PALM OLEIN (COOKING OIL)	\$ 3,649,835
	CONTAINER REACH STACKER(COMP)	\$ 156,784
	GOLDEN CREAM OF WHEAT	\$ 84,589
	LUCKY CARE TOOTHPASTE	\$ 77,622
	TOTAL	\$ 3,968,830
TOTAL LIBERIA INC.CORPORATIONU.N. DRIVE,	AGO	\$ 2,223,905
	PMS	\$ 1,243,320
	TOTAL	\$ 3,467,225
ARCELOR MITTAL LIB. LTD14 STREET TUBMAN	2017 NEW CAT 390F VIN#:10034 & SPA	\$ 882,000
	2017 CAT DOZER VIN#:04593	\$ 802,500
	ENGINE COMPLETE/GEARBOX,ETC	\$ 245,759
	MOTORISED PLATEROLL,ETC	\$ 118,798
	TOTAL	\$ 2,049,056
NATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY & WELFARE15TH	MEDICAL IMAGING EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,586,662
	Anti -Bacteria Finishes Materials	\$ 150,434
	CERAMIC FLOOR TILES	\$ 97,756
	ANTI BACTERIAL	\$ 80,155
	TOTAL	\$ 1,915,007
MINISTRY OF JUSTICEOTHERSCAMP JOHNSO	MILITARY EQUIPMENT & ACCESSORI	\$ 1,870,065
	TOTAL	\$ 1,870,065
SETHI FERRO FABRIK INCGARDNESVILLEOLD	USED DG GENERATOR (ENGINE&ALT	\$ 1,191,243
	MEDIUM FREQUENCY INDUCTION ME	\$ 723,665
	SEAMLESS STEEL GAS&ACETYLENE	\$ 17,469

Top Exporters and Key Products Exported

Company Name	Key Exports	FOB
MNG GOLD	INDUSTRIAL GOLD	\$ 8,431,777
	TOTAL	\$ 8,431,777
AVESORO	INDUSTRIAL GOLD	\$ 7,216,620
	TOTAL	\$ 7,216,620
FIRESTONE LIBERIA INCORPORATEDHARBELM	PROCESSED BLOCK RUBBER(78X20)	\$ 2,402,093
	PROCESSED BLOCK RUBBER(96X20)	\$ 2,956,423
	TOTAL	\$ 5,358,516
ARCELOR MITTAL LIB. LTD14 STREET TUBMAN	DIRECT SHIPPED ORE	\$ 5,093,493
	TOTAL	\$ 5,093,493
LIBERIAN AGRICULTURAL COMPANY#1 COMPC	PROCESSED CRUMB RUBBER 20X20C	\$ 3,830,400
	TOTAL	\$ 3,830,400
MANO PALM OIL INDUSTRIES LIMITEDBUSHRO	CRUDE PALM OIL (46X20 CONT, 989 M	\$ 593,400
	CRUDE PALM OIL (24X20 CONT, 516 M	\$ 309,600
	TOTAL	\$ 903,000
ALMA WOODDUPORT ROADMONTSERRADOMC	ROUND LOGS - 200x40 CONTAINERS	\$ 700,000
	TOTAL	\$ 700,000
NIMBA RUBBER INC.SACLEPEA CITY MAHOLD	UNPROCESSED RUBBER-5x20" CONT	\$ 155,500
	TOTAL	\$ 155,500
LEE YAM DIAMOND MANUFACTURERS INC.	DIAMONDS	\$ 132,861
	TOTAL	\$ 132,861
DIAMEX LIBERIA INC.	DIAMONDS	\$ 123,835
	TOTAL	\$ 123,835
MORRIS AMERICAN RUBBER COMPANY INC.RA	UNPROCESSED RUBBER-8x20" CONT	\$ 123,200

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), 1 Million was imported on behalf of GoL by non-residents, which is excluded in CBL reporting for BOP purposes. (Exact figure = 997005.59)
- (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 September 2017 is preliminary and pending potential further data corrections by stakeholders.

