

## **Bureau of Trade Services**

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# Brief on 2014 Import

#### **Import**

With the cessation of the civil unrest, Liberia's import basket has grown increasingly over the years. Liberia is gradually developing its productive capacities. Liberia currently imports 99% of its needs. Import volume of US\$447,129,999.00 was recorded in 2014 and the figure is expected to rise in 2015 due to increasing need of dependence on imports, either to support industrial activities or consumption.

#### The major imports to Liberia are:

- Petroleum Products
- Rice
- Vehicles
- Vegetables
- Vegetable Oil
- Machineries
- Pharmaceutical Products
- Building Materials
- Spare Parts
- Chemicals & Allied Industrial Products

Liberia's major import trading partners are United States, Cote D'Ivoire, China, India, Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, Japan, United Kingdom and South Africa. Given its import trading partners, Liberia will continuously seek good relationship with its import trading partners and will effort to join the multilateral trading system.

#### Liberia's Top Ten Import Partners In 2014

NO.	COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	ABBREVIATION	TOTAL VALUE (CIF)
1.	United States Of America	US	447,129,999.00
2.	Cote D'ivoire	CI	348,810,793.00
3.	China	СН	219,935,713.00
4.	India	IN	172,454,065.00
5.	Germany	DE	75,443,854.00
6.	Belgium	BE	71,114,598.00
7.	Switzerland	СН	68,251,643.00
8.	Japan	JP	55,827,267.00
9.	United Kingdom	UK	50,497,074.00
10	South Africa	SA	50,089,754.65

### Materials that were imported from Major Import Partners in 2014

NO.	COUNTRY	COMMODITIES	
1.	United States	Rubber, African Food, Cassava Flour, Etc.	
2.	China	Iron Ore And Timber	
3.	France	Iron Ore, Timber And Cocoa Beans	
4.	Ghana	Used Equipment, Fishing Tools, Used Engine, Etc.	
5.	Poland	Iron Ore, & Used Machine	
6.	Cote D'ivoire	Petroleum Products, Cam Wood, Cocoa Beans, Etc.	
7.	Germany	Iron Ore	
8.	Sierra Leone	Scrap Metals	
9.	Nigeria	Used Equipment And Engine	
10	Israel	Diamonds	