

Monthly Harmonized Trade Data Statistics for Liberia

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Liberia's Total Imports and Exports ⁽¹⁾

| | Imports (FOB) ⁽²⁾ | Imports (CIF) ⁽³⁾ | Exports (FOB) | Exports (CIF) ⁽⁴⁾ |
|---------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| February 2017 | \$ 94,601,419 | \$ 99,939,841 | \$ 24,833,484 | \$ 24,833,484 |
| January 2017 | \$ 77,466,222 | \$ 84,366,490 | \$ 34,244,641 | \$ 34,244,641 |
| Change | ↑ 22.1% | ↑ 18.5% | ↓ -27.5% | ↓ -27.5% |

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

| | Imports (FOB) | Imports (CIF) | Exports (FOB) | Exports (CIF) ⁽⁴⁾ |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| February 2017 | \$ 58,895,868 | \$ 62,907,458 | \$ 24,833,484 | \$ 24,833,484 |
| January 2017 | \$ 43,246,171 | \$ 48,030,399 | \$ 34,244,641 | \$ 34,244,641 |
| Change | ↑ 36.2% | ↑ 31.0% | ↓ -27.5% | ↓ -27.5% |

Essential Commodities Imports (CIF) (with HS Codes)

| | January | February | Change |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------|
| Cement (2523.2100) | \$ 13,453 | \$ 4,531 | ↓ -66% |
| Eggs (0407) | \$ 388,279 | \$ 433,492 | ↑ 12% |
| Wheat Flour (1101.0000) | \$ 252,938 | \$ 9,452 | ↓ -96% |
| Petroleum (AGO and PMS) (2710.1921,1223) | \$ 12,437,696 | \$ 30,089,916 | ↑ 142% |
| Biscuits and Wafers (1904.1000, 1905.3200) | \$ 172,102 | \$ 105,782 | ↓ -39% |
| Confectionary (1704) | \$ 65,662 | \$ 189,552 | ↑ 189% |
| Nails (7317) | \$ 137,575 | \$ 52,431 | ↓ -62% |
| Bleach (2828.9010) | \$ 14,130 | \$ 25 | ↓ -100% |
| Rice (1006) | \$ 1,219,143 | \$ 14,881,831 | ↑ 1121% |
| Plastics (39.17, 39.20-25, 63.05, 94.01) | \$ 1,086,887 | \$ 1,629,334 | ↑ 50% |

Key Commodity Exports (FOB) ⁽⁶⁾

| | January | February | Change |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|----------|
| Gold | \$ 16,608,371 | \$ 10,337,363 | ↓ -38% |
| Diamonds | \$ 1,794,825 | \$ 3,746,476 | ↑ 109% |
| Iron Ore | \$ 5,505,309 | \$ 7,460,167 | ↑ 36% |
| Metal Scrap | \$ 135,000 | \$ 67,500 | ↓ -50% |
| Rubber (TSR) | \$ 9,913,437 | \$ 2,530,018 | ↓ -74% |
| Rubber (RSS) | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Rubber Wood | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Logs / other Wood | \$ 7,763 | \$ 254,579 | ↑ 3180% |
| Palm Oil | \$ 275 | \$ 238,340 | ↑ 86569% |
| Fish | \$ 17,246 | \$ 19,881 | ↑ 15% |
| Cocoa | \$ 255,000 | \$ 150,000 | ↓ -41% |

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

| Code | Country | February CIF |
|------|----------------------|---------------|
| CI | Côte d'Ivoire | \$ 30,329,096 |
| IN | India | \$ 18,037,994 |
| CN | China | \$ 10,542,612 |
| US | United States | \$ 6,317,555 |
| ID | Indonesia | \$ 5,260,276 |
| GB | United Kingdom | \$ 4,289,543 |
| TR | Turkey | \$ 2,913,970 |
| BE | Belgium | \$ 2,684,820 |
| AE | United Arab Emirates | \$ 2,377,651 |
| LB | Lebanon | \$ 1,761,302 |

Destination Countries for Liberia's Exports ⁽⁸⁾

| Code | Country | February CIF |
|------|----------------------|---------------|
| TR | Turkey | \$ 10,056,371 |
| PL | Poland | \$ 7,460,167 |
| IL | Israel | \$ 3,195,119 |
| US | United States | \$ 2,097,687 |
| BE | Belgium | \$ 543,564 |
| AE | United Arab Emirates | \$ 348,492 |
| CM | Cameroon | \$ 235,200 |
| BD | Bangladesh | \$ 229,054 |
| MY | Malaysia | \$ 220,500 |

Regional (ECOWAS) Trade

| | Value | % of Total |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Share of Imports from ECOWAS (CIF) | \$ 30,522,440 | 30.54% |
| Share of Exports to ECOWAS (FOB) | \$ 14,060,433 | 56.62% |

Top Importers with Key Products Imported

| Company Name | Key Imports | CIF |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------|
| WEST OIL INVESTMENT (LIB) INC.PST BUSHRC | AGO | \$ 17,341,595 |
| | PMS | \$ 3,204,750 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 20,546,345 |
| UNITED COMMODITIES INC.SAYON TOWN BRU | INDIAN LONG GRAIN PARBOILED RICE | \$ 12,970,000 |
| | THAI PARBOILED RICE(12X20') | \$ 348,000 |
| | THAI PARBOILED RICE(16X20') | \$ 232,000 |
| | CHINESE ROUND GRAIN WHITE RICE | \$ 147,500 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 13,697,500 |
| FOUANI BROTHERS CORPORATIONVAI TOWNM | RBD PALMOLIEN (COOKING OIL) | \$ 4,561,248 |
| | HDPE PLASTIC RAW MATERIAL | \$ 152,276 |
| | WHITE CRYSTAL SUGAR | \$ 141,804 |
| | ROX ENERGY DRINK | \$ 133,935 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 4,989,264 |
| TOTAL LIBERIA INC.CORPORATIONU.N. DRIVE, | AGO | \$ 1,809,282 |
| | PMS | \$ 1,290,000 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 3,099,282 |
| MONROVIA OIL TRADING CORP. (M.O.T.CPST B | PMS | \$ 1,560,450 |
| | AGO | \$ 534,432 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 2,094,882 |
| DURA PLAST (LIB.) INC.GARDNERSVILLE, IRON | LLPDPE GRADE:118WJ | \$ 829,650 |
| | HDPE (HIGH DENSITY POLYETHYLEN | \$ 824,918 |
| | LLDPE X 4620 BGS | \$ 195,397 |
| | FLAT BED AXLE TRAILERS | \$ 39,794 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 1,889,759 |
| AMINATA & SONS, INC.AMINATA HOUSEMECHIL | AGO | \$ 1,169,873 |
| | PMS | \$ 513,545 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 1,683,417 |
| SINOHYDRO CORPORATION LIBERIA12 BROAD | BITUMEN PENETRATION GRADE | \$ 1,340,700 |

Top Exporters and Key Products Exported

| Company Name | Key Exports | FOB |
|---|---------------------|--------------|
| ARCELOR MITTAL LIB. LTD14 STREET TUBMAN | DIRECT SHIPPED ORE | \$ 7,460,167 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 7,460,167 |
| MNG GOLD | INDUSTRIAL GOLD | \$ 7,298,587 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 7,298,587 |
| AUREYS GOLD | INDUSTRIAL GOLD | \$ 2,757,784 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 2,757,784 |
| FIRESTONE LIBERIA INCHARBELMARGIBILIBEF | BLOCK RUBBER(49X20) | \$ 2,091,137 |
| | BLOCKRUBBER(5X20) | \$ 213,381 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 2,304,518 |
| WEST AFRICA DIAMONDS INC. | DIAMONDS | \$ 1,358,242 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 1,358,242 |
| LEE YAM DIAMONDS MANUFACTURERS INC. | DIAMONDS | \$ 1,096,446 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 1,096,446 |
| GOLDEN MASS TRADING INC. | DIAMONDS | \$ 535,953 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 535,953 |
| ROYAL COMPANY | DIAMONDS | \$ 498,693 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 498,693 |
| AFRIC DIAM COMPANY INC. | DIAMONDS | \$ 241,738 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 241,738 |

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), 5,71 Million was imported on behalf of GoL by non-residents, which is excluded in CBL reporting for BOP purposes. (Exact figure = 5711994,72)
- (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:

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|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 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 February 2017 is preliminary and pending potential further data corrections by stakeholders.

