

# Monthly Harmonized Trade Data Statistics for Liberia

## March 2017

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### Liberia's Total Imports and Exports <sup>(1)</sup>

	Imports (FOB) <sup>(2)</sup>	Imports (CIF) <sup>(3)</sup>	Exports (FOB)	Exports (CIF) <sup>(4)</sup>
March 2017	\$ 77,004,056	\$ 83,647,456	\$ 43,103,510	\$ 43,103,510
February 2017	\$ 94,601,419	\$ 99,939,841	\$ 24,833,484	\$ 24,833,484
Change	↓ -18.6%	↓ -16.3%	↑ 73.6%	↑ 73.6%

### Liberia's Total Imports and Exports of Strictly Commercial Nature <sup>(5)</sup>

	Imports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Exports (FOB)	Exports (CIF) <sup>(4)</sup>
March 2017	\$ 44,323,317	\$ 48,930,594	\$ 43,103,510	\$ 43,103,510
February 2017	\$ 58,895,868	\$ 62,907,458	\$ 24,833,484	\$ 24,833,484
Change	↓ -24.7%	↓ -22.2%	↑ 73.6%	↑ 73.6%

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

	February	March	Change
Cement (2523.2100)	\$ 4,531	\$ 30,408	↑ 571%
Eggs (0407)	\$ 433,492	\$ 808,741	↑ 87%
Wheat Flour (1101.0000)	\$ 9,452	\$ 7,661	↓ -19%
Petroleum (AGO and PMS) (2710.1921,1223)	\$ 30,089,916	\$ 14,149,473	↓ -53%
Biscuits and Wafers (1904.1000, 1905.3200)	\$ 105,782	\$ 27,854	↓ -74%
Confectionary (1704)	\$ 189,552	\$ 160,834	↓ -15%
Nails (7317)	\$ 52,431	\$ 40,691	↓ -22%
Bleach (2828.9010)	\$ 25	\$ 24,329	↑ 97216%
Rice (1006)	\$ 14,881,831	\$ 16,867,204	↑ 13%
Plastics (39.17, 39.20-25, 63.05, 94.01)	\$ 1,629,334	\$ 1,298,571	↓ -20%

### Key Commodity Exports (FOB) <sup>(6)</sup>

	February	March	Change
Gold	\$ 10,337,363	\$ 19,328,410	↑ 87%
Diamonds	\$ 3,746,476	\$ 4,092,721	↑ 9%
Iron Ore	\$ 7,460,167	\$ 9,548,635	↑ 28%
Metal Scrap	\$ 67,500	\$ 273,375	↑ 305%
Rubber (TSR)	\$ 2,530,018	\$ 8,842,730	↑ 250%
Rubber (RSS)	\$ -	\$ -	
Rubber Wood	\$ -	\$ 9,574	
Logs / other Wood	\$ 254,579	\$ 370,777	↑ 46%
Palm Oil	\$ 238,340	\$ 385,603	↑ 62%
Fish	\$ 19,881	\$ -	↓ -100%
Cocoa	\$ 150,000	\$ 102,000	↓ -32%

### Top 10 Source Countries for Liberia's Imports <sup>(7)</sup>

Code	Country	March CIF
IN	India	\$ 21,846,394
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	\$ 13,011,000
CN	China	\$ 12,917,848
US	United States	\$ 7,283,860
TR	Turkey	\$ 3,983,344
SA	Saudi Arabia	\$ 2,136,752
TG	Togo	\$ 2,126,320
ES	Spain	\$ 1,580,110
AE	United Arab Emirates	\$ 1,569,462
DE	Germany	\$ 1,531,565

### Destination Countries for Liberia's Exports <sup>(8)</sup>

Code	Country	March CIF
TK	Tokelau	\$ 19,081,135
PL	Poland	\$ 9,548,635
US	United States	\$ 4,778,764
IL	Israel	\$ 3,966,615
BE	Belgium	\$ 3,956,506
AE	United Arab Emirates	\$ 480,150
CM	Cameroon	\$ 385,603
BD	Bangladesh	\$ 347,490
MY	Malaysia	\$ 238,140

### Regional (ECOWAS) Trade

	Value	% of Total
Share of Imports from ECOWAS (CIF)	\$ 15,487,716	18.52%
Share of Exports to ECOWAS (FOB)	\$ 23,567,853	54.68%

## Top Importers with Key Products Imported

Company Name	Key Imports	CIF
JOMANDY & SONS IMPORT AND EXPORT CORP.	IR-65.5% BROKEN PARBOILED RICE	\$ 7,800,000
	TOTAL	\$ 7,800,000
SUPPLYING WEST AFRICA TRADERS INC.SAYC	LONG GRAIN RICE AND EMPTY BAGS	\$ 5,949,687
	LONG GRAIN RICE	\$ 1,784,906
	LAUNDRY SOAP	\$ 136,120
	HOUSEHOLD SOAP, KDO	\$ 108,056
	TOTAL	\$ 7,978,770
TOTAL LIBERIA INC.CORPORATIONU.N. DRIVE,	AGO	\$ 4,110,802
	PMS	\$ 1,014,000
	TOTAL	\$ 5,124,802
MONROVIA OIL TRADING CORP. (M.O.T.CPST B	PMS	\$ 1,392,423
	AGO	\$ 899,489
	TOTAL	\$ 2,291,912
PETRO TRADE INC.CORPORATIONWATER SIDE	PMS	\$ 1,420,500
	AGO	\$ 808,605
	TOTAL	\$ 2,229,105
DURA PLAST (LIB.) INC.GARDNERSVILLE, IRON	HDPE GRADE:ffj00952	\$ 651,935
	LLDPE X 25 KGS	\$ 614,939
	LLDPE GRADE 118WJ	\$ 614,939
	PLASTIC MASTERBATCHES	\$ 74,171
	TOTAL	\$ 1,955,983
AMINATA & SONS, INC.AMINATA HOUSEMECHIL	AGO	\$ 1,157,962
	PMS	\$ 402,750
	TOTAL	\$ 1,560,712
WEST OIL INVESTMENT (LIB) INC.PST BUSHRO	AGO	\$ 798,790
	PMS	\$ 511,500
	TOTAL	\$ 1,310,290
A - Z CORPORATIONVAI TOWNBUSHROD ISLAN	FIESTA COND MILK 24x1 KG	\$ 619,220

## Top Exporters and Key Products Exported

Company Name	Key Exports	FOB
AUREYS GOLD	INDUSTRIAL GOLD	\$ 10,794,925
	TOTAL	\$ 10,794,925
ARCELOR MITTAL LIB. LTD14 STREET TUBMAN	DIRECT SHIPPED ORE	\$ 9,548,635
	TOTAL	\$ 9,548,635
MNG GOLD	INDUSTRIAL GOLD	\$ 8,286,210
	TOTAL	\$ 8,286,210
FIRESTONE LIBERIA INCHARBELMARGIBILIBEF	PROCESSED BLOCK RUBBER(45X20')	\$ 1,995,233
	PROCESSED RUBBER WOOD(16.068M	\$ 9,574
	BLOCK RUBBER(66X20')	\$ 2,773,957
	TOTAL	\$ 4,778,764
LIBERIA AGRICULTURAL COMPANY (L.A.CCORP	PROCESSED CRUMB RUBBER 200X20	\$ 3,830,400
	TOTAL	\$ 3,830,400
ROYAL COMPANY	DIAMONDS	\$ 1,179,344
	TOTAL	\$ 1,179,344
LEE YAM DIAMONDS MANUFACTURERS INC.	DIAMONDS	\$ 1,077,756
	TOTAL	\$ 1,077,756
AFRIC DIAM COMPANY INC.	DIAMONDS	\$ 928,822
	TOTAL	\$ 928,822
WEST AFRICA DIAMOND INC.	DIAMONDS	\$ 906,799

## 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), 0.61 Million was imported on behalf of GoL by non-residents, which is excluded in CBL reporting for BOP purposes. (Exact figure = 605754.89)
- (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:

<b>Gold</b>	HS Code: 7108
<b>Diamonds</b>	HS Code: 7102
<b>Iron Ore</b>	HS Code: 2601
<b>Metal Scrap</b>	HS Code: 73030090
<b>Rubber (TSR)</b>	HS Code: 4001.2200
<b>Rubber (RSS)</b>	HS Code: 4001.2100
<b>Rubber Wood</b>	HS Code: 4412.3900
<b>Logs / other Wood</b>	HS Code: 4407.1900, 4002.1900
<b>Palm Oil</b>	HS Code: 1511.1010
<b>Fish</b>	HS Code: 03
<b>Cocoa</b>	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 March 2017 is preliminary and pending potential further data corrections by stakeholders.**

