

# Guidelines of the Trade Statistics

(Special Trade System is adopted before 2016)

2020/01

Item	Description
Source of Data	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Records of Customs import/export and re-import/re-export declarations.</li> <li>Fish catch and sale in overseas : Provided by the Fisheries Agency, Council of Agriculture, Executive Yuan.</li> </ol>
Coverage	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Imports:  <p>Goods are included in trade statistics by entering the economic territory of the Republic of China( Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu ),except for the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Goods moved between free circulation area, bonded areas ( bonded factories, science-based industrial parks, export processing zones, agricultural biotechnology parks ) or free trade zones;</li> <li>Goods entered and stored in bonded warehouses, logistics centers;</li> <li>Goods entered and stored in non-processing, non-manufacturing enterprises of free trade zones;</li> <li>Goods for official or personal use by the organizations and personnel that are entitled to diplomatic privileges;</li> <li>Duty-free personal effects carried by inward passengers;</li> <li>Materials used solely on ships, aircraft and other means of transport engaged in international trade;</li> <li>Temporarily admitted goods, such as exhibition goods, costumes and paraphernalia of entertainment troupes, containers; goods for experiments, repair or maintenance, etc., that will be withdrawn in the same state within a statutory period of time;</li> <li>Goods under lease ( duration less than one year ) ;</li> <li>Compensation or replacement goods;</li> <li>Relief goods;</li> <li>Official and private documents;</li> <li>Issued banknotes, and securities in circulation;</li> <li>Overseas fish catch by fishing vessels of the Republic of China;</li> <li>Seized or returned goods;</li> <li>ATA carnet goods.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Re-imports : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exported domestic goods returned for any reason.</li> <li>Domestic goods re-imported after outward processing without changing country of origin.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Exports:  <p>Goods are included in trade statistics by leaving the economic territory of</p> </li> </ol>

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	<p>the Republic of China ( Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu ) , fish catch and sale in overseas, and bunker oil sold at domestic ports are also included, except for the following :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Goods moved between domestic tax area, bonded areas ( bonded factories, science-based industrial parks, export processing zones, agricultural biotechnology parks ) or free trade zones;</li> <li>(2) Goods entered and stored in the bonded warehouses, logistics centers for temporary storage and withdrawn subsequently;</li> <li>(3) Goods entered and stored in the non-processing, non-manufacturing enterprises of free trade zones for temporary storage and withdrawn subsequently;</li> <li>(4) Goods for official or personal use by the organizations and personnel that are entitled to diplomatic privileges;</li> <li>(5) Goods dispatched to the government representatives stationed overseas for official or personal use;</li> <li>(6) Personal effects carried by outward passengers for their own use;</li> <li>(7) Materials used solely on ships, aircraft and other means of transport engaged in international trade;</li> <li>(8) Temporarily admitted goods, such as exhibition goods, costumes and paraphernalia of entertainment troupes, containers; goods for experiments, repair or maintenance, etc., which will be returned within a statutory period of time;</li> <li>(9) Goods under lease ( duration less than one year ) ;</li> <li>(10) Goods for compensation or replacement;</li> <li>(11) Relief goods;</li> <li>(12) Official and private documents;</li> <li>(13) Issued banknotes, and securities in circulation;</li> <li>(14) ATA carnet goods.</li> </ol> <p>4. Re-exports :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Foreign goods returned for any reason.</li> <li>(2) Foreign goods re-exported after inward processing without changing country of origin.</li> </ol>
Time of Recording	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Records of Customs declarations : The date of completion of scrutiny.</li> <li>2. Fish catch and sale in overseas : The month of the data received from the Fisheries Agency, Council of Agriculture.</li> </ol>
Commodity Classification	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Goods are classified according to the <i>Customs Import Tariff and Import and Export Commodities classification of the Republic of China</i>. Any addition or deletion for the code of commodity classification will be effective on</li> </ol>

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	<p>announcement by the Bureau of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Economic Affairs.</p> <p>2. Tariff quota goods will be included in trade statistics in accordance with their respective commodity classification code instead of those in Chapter 98 specializing for tariff quota.</p> <p>3. For statistical purposes, the goods in a single import/export declaration which C.I.F./F.O.B. less than NTD 50,000 will be all treated as miscellaneous goods, and classified as a specific commodity classification code “9899.00.00.00-6”, and same as the goods for some certain specific uses as well.</p>
Valuation	<p>1. Imports, Re-imports: on a C.I.F. basis</p> <p>2. Exports, Re-exports: on a F.O.B. basis</p>
Value Unit	<p>1. NTD: thousand or hundred million</p> <p>2. USD: thousand</p>
Exchange Rate ( for statistics use only )	<p>1. Before 2014 : Imports, Re-imports / Exports, Re-exports: The selling/ buying rates from NTD to USD.</p> <p>2. From 2014 : The same exchange rate from NTD to USD applied to either imports/re-imports or exports/re-exports, which is the midpoint between selling and buying rates.</p> <p>3. Please refer to Reference/Applied Exchange Rate of US dollar for the details.</p>
Units of Measurement	<p>1. Units of measurement are shown by their abbreviations on the list of “Units of Measurement”</p> <p>2. The weight such as KGM and TNE, represents net weight.</p> <p>3. Please refer to Reference /Units of Measurement for the details.</p>
Country/Area	<p>1. Imports: country/area of origin</p> <p>2. Re-imports: country/area of seller ( before 2014 ) country/area of origin ( from 2014 )</p> <p>3. Exports: country /area of last known destination</p> <p>4. Re-exports: country/area of last known destination</p>
Data Dissemination Timetable	<p>1. Please refer to Guide/Release Schedule/Calendar of Data Release for the details.</p> <p>2. The Calendar of Data Release will be updated in Dec.</p>
Period of Data Release	Monthly

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Notes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. From 2006, the total value of exports includes exports and re-exports, the total value of imports includes imports and re-imports.</li> <li>2. From 2014, the basis of compiling the country/area of re-import and the currency exchange rate from NTD to USD are amended.</li> <li>3. Due to rounding, individual figures may not add up exactly to the total.</li> </ol>