



U.S. Trade with sub-Saharan Africa, January-March 2014

For the first quarter of 2014, U.S. total trade (exports plus imports) with sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) totaled \$11.9 billion, a decrease of 27 percent compared to the same period in 2013. While U.S. exports to the world grew by 2.6 percent, U.S. exports to SSA (mostly composed of machinery) decreased by 18 percent, amounting to \$5.3 billion and representing only 1.3 percent of total U.S. exports to the world. The top five African destinations for U.S. products were South Africa, Nigeria, Angola, Ethiopia, and Togo. Exports to Ethiopia increased by 503 percent (increase in U.S. exports of aircraft) and to Togo by 226 percent (increase in U.S. exports of mineral fuel).

In January-March 2014, U.S. imports from SSA decreased by 34 percent, falling to \$6.7 billion and representing only 1.2 percent of total U.S. imports from the world. This decrease was mostly due to a 53 percent decrease in U.S. mineral fuel and oil importsⁱ from SSA. U.S. imports from SSA originated, for the most part, from South Africa, Nigeria, Angola, Côte d'Ivoire, and Chad. U.S. imports decreased (mostly oil) from Nigeria by 66.5 percent and from Angola by 44 percent. However, U.S. imports (mostly cocoa) from Cote d'Ivoire increased by 54 percent.

AGOA imports totaled \$3.4 billion, 51 percent less than the previous year, mainly due to a 57 percent decrease in petroleum product imports.ⁱⁱ Petroleum products continued to account for the largest portion of AGOA imports with a 74 percent share of overall AGOA imports. With these fuel products excluded, AGOA imports - almost exclusively dominated by raw materials - were \$890 million, decreasing by 25 percent as compared to January-March 2013. AGOA imports of agricultural products decreased by 24 percent and imports of transportation equipment decreased by 57 percent. However, imports of minerals and metals increased by 12 percent, imports of chemical and related products increased by 6 percent, and imports of textiles and apparel increased by 12 percent. Finally, the top five AGOA beneficiary countries were Angola, Nigeria, South Africa, Chad, and Gabon. Other leading AGOA beneficiaries included Kenya, Lesotho, and Mauritius.

ⁱ Increasingly higher gasoline prices are pushing for a reduction of foreign oil imports and an increase of domestic oil and gas production.

ⁱⁱ AGOA imports are imports for consumption, while all other import figures are general imports. Imports for consumption include only those goods as they enter the U.S. economy for consumption. General imports include all goods as they cross the U.S. border, including those destined for bonded warehouses or foreign trade zones.

U.S. TRADE WITH SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

U.S. EXPORTS (\$MILLIONS F.A.S.)

COUNTRY	January-December 2013	January-March 2013	January-March 2014
Angola	1,450.13	320.56	402.39
Benin	607.42	162.87	205.49
Botswana	82.12	20.73	6.66
Burkina Faso	77.49	13.54	15.50
Burundi	16.74	9.95	1.07
Cameroon	331.40	80.69	52.01
Cape Verde	9.13	3.95	1.39
Central African Republic	4.10	2.31	1.41
Chad	40.88	10.15	10.37
Comoros	3.54	0.38	0.23
Congo	225.23	57.17	39.52
Congo, Dem. Rep.	169.39	36.50	31.44
Côte d'Ivoire	168.45	46.81	42.89
Djibouti	169.65	50.20	23.64
Equatorial Guinea	755.67	570.45	116.16
Eritrea	11.11	0.70	0.55
Ethiopia	678.09	41.62	251.01
Gabon	236.79	63.51	60.96
Gambia	35.40	6.77	10.79
Ghana	1,067.48	329.33	214.65
Guinea	79.53	25.61	14.60
Guinea-Bissau	6.43	4.09	0.42
Kenya	651.41	115.39	99.23
Lesotho	0.64	0.08	0.94
Liberia	173.23	42.34	47.84
Madagascar	64.07	15.25	8.97
Malawi	54.21	6.98	24.77
Mali	49.92	17.59	17.04
Mauritania	245.24	36.08	26.41
Mauritius	42.04	8.38	6.66
Mozambique	306.39	64.13	81.82
Namibia	206.65	33.86	86.26
Niger	46.17	6.82	12.31
Nigeria	6,474.50	1,421.49	1,338.20
Rwanda	25.20	3.79	5.19
São Tomé and Príncipe	2.00	0.95	0.08
Senegal	230.43	38.70	50.77
Seychelles	12.19	3.28	3.73
Sierra Leone	82.51	14.89	18.54
Somalia	15.05	1.29	17.87
South Africa	7,202.72	2,450.06	1,524.88

Swaziland	22.94	4.76	6.20
Tanzania	420.19	87.31	56.66
Togo	956.15	64.26	209.24
Uganda	125.13	47.32	24.15
Zambia	141.31	26.90	40.32
Zimbabwe	23,954.54	18.07	14.79
TOTAL	47,909.08	6,391.13	5,261.62

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Census

U.S. IMPORTS
(SMILLIONS CUSTOMS VALUE)

COUNTRY	January-December 2013	January-March 2013	January-March 2014
Angola	8,745.03	2127.79	1187.87
Benin	3.13	0.91	2.03
Botswana	283.39	52.66	54.05
Burkina Faso	6.11	0.35	0.36
Burundi	4.30	1.60	2.43
Cameroon	366.99	98.10	56.86
Cape Verde	2.36	0.03	0.20
Central African Republic	2.79	2.21	0.20
Chad	2,459.15	495.62	442.59
Comoros	2.84	0.66	0.11
Congo	1,166.56	236.29	84.05
Congo, Dem. Rep.	75.63	9.64	31.17
Côte d'Ivoire	1,002.09	367.43	565.81
Djibouti	3.95	0.88	0.78
Equatorial Guinea	898.00	162.54	43.68
Eritrea	0.09	0.05	0.08
Ethiopia	193.57	28.71	46.96
Gabon	1,110.99	33.53	243.40
Gambia	1.69	0.06	0.10
Ghana	366.19	76.48	71.99
Guinea	98.97	31.82	25.59
Guinea-Bissau	3.22	0.05	0.04
Kenya	450.83	97.14	121.80
Lesotho	358.87	75.40	120.37
Liberia	96.53	23.02	16.43
Madagascar	179.79	44.43	49.53
Malawi	73.13	12.27	11.93
Mali	3.69	0.43	0.42
Mauritania	130.69	0.15	31.39
Mauritius	338.46	82.82	88.37
Mozambique	76.07	0.60	10.67

Niger	2.33	0.62	0.68
Nigeria	11,723.94	3832.14	1285.27
Rwanda	24.45	8.52	6.24
São Tomé and Príncipe	0.25	0.04	0.04
Senegal	16.98	2.92	5.47
Seychelles	5.76	2.61	1.93
Sierra Leone	41.55	4.54	12.58
Somalia	1.19	0.37	0.14
South Africa	8,480.18	2077.36	1914.64
Sudan	10.24	1.31	1.73
Swaziland	58.94	12.44	14.52
Tanzania	70.32	23.63	25.72
Togo	7.72	1.38	3.53
Uganda	47.01	7.96	8.23
Zambia	37.35	11.26	10.86
Zimbabwe	13.89	1.33	8.47
TOTAL	39,309.84	10,085.13	6,687.9

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Census