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## INTRODUCTION

This public release on International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) is published by the Tuvalu Central Statistics Division (TCSD). The focus of this release is to be able to provide users with trade data on a quarterly basis for planning purposes as well as progress of trade policies.

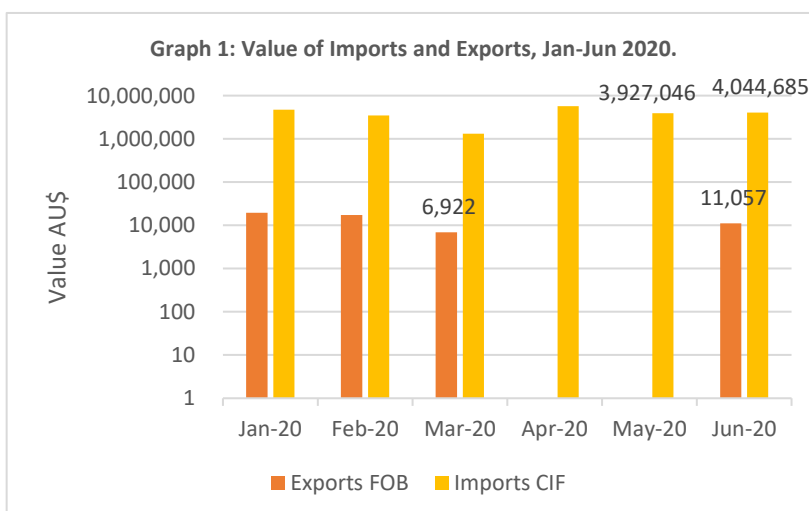
This release will outline imports and exports data in accordance to the Harmonized Coding System of Tuvalu (HS) classification by commodity and by country. The TCSD has compiled this IMTS release from data sourced from Tuvalu Customs and we will endeavour to produce this compilation on a quarterly basis.

The following IMTS release covers the period 2017 to 2019, as well as a monthly trend for January to June, 2020.

## ANALYSES

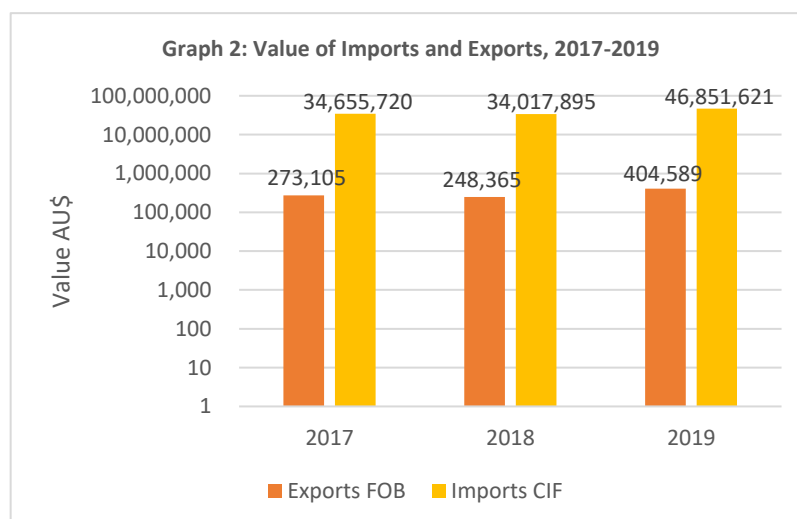
### 1. Value of Imports and Exports

**June 2020:** Total imports in June 2020 were \$4,044,685, a 3% increase from the total imports of May 2020, which were \$3,927,046. Due to the COVID 19 state of emergency lockdown, there were no export data for the months of April and May. However, prior to the lockdown, total exports for March 2020 were \$6,922. Exports picked up again in the month of June at \$11,057.



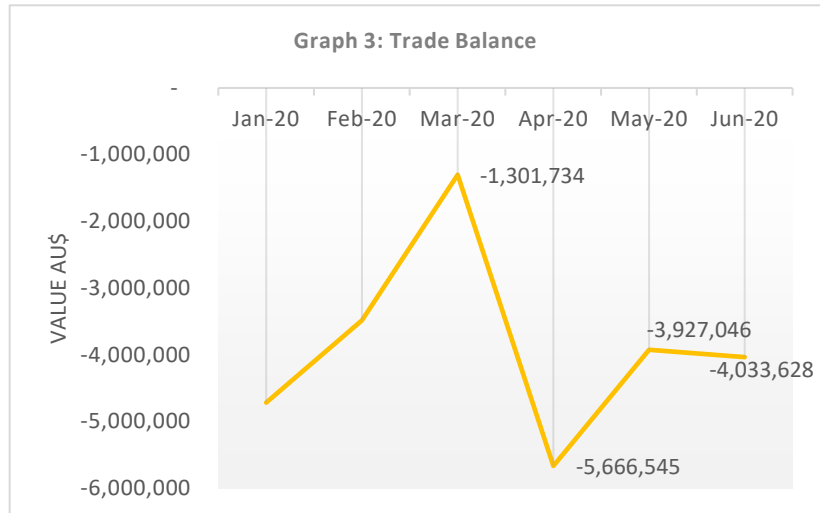
**2017-2019:** Annual IMTS for 2017 to 2019 are illustrated herewith in the graph alongside: It shows:

- In 2017, total imports of \$34,655,720 was decreased by \$637,825 or 2% from 2018. Then from 2018 to 2019, an increase of 38% in imports was recorded.
- A similar trend was seen in exports with a decrease of 9% from 2017 to 2018 (\$273,105 - \$248,365). However, from 2018 to 2019, exports increased by 63% to a total of \$404,589.

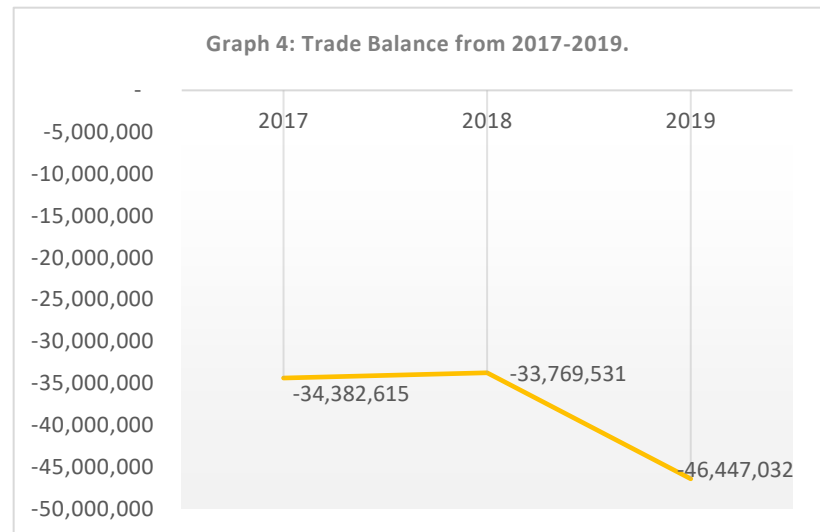


## 2. Balance of Trade

**June 2020:** A trade deficit of \$4,033,628 was recorded in June 2020, slightly higher than the deficit in May 2020 of \$3,927,046. This is an increase of 3%. From March to April 2020, there was a high trade deficit recorded due to an increase in imports in anticipation for the COVID 19 lockdown, while at the same time a decline in exports was recorded.



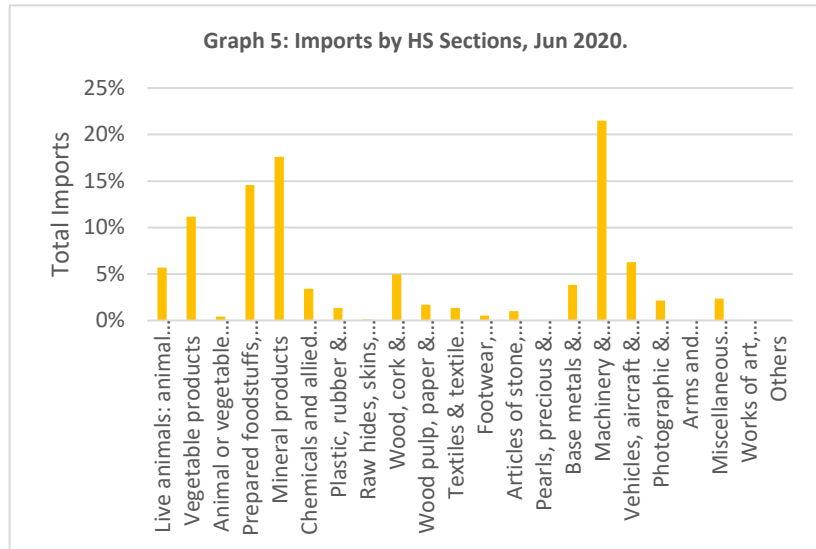
**2017-2019:** A trade deficit was recorded in 2017 of \$34,382,615, this was decreased by 2% to \$33,769,531 in 2018, and was increased by \$12,677,501 which is a total of \$46,447,032 trade deficit from 2018 to 2019. The main reason for the high deficit from 2018 to 2019 pertains to higher imports of machinery, vehicles, and prepared food products while there was a decline in exports of vehicles and base metal products for the same period.



### 3. Performance of Imports

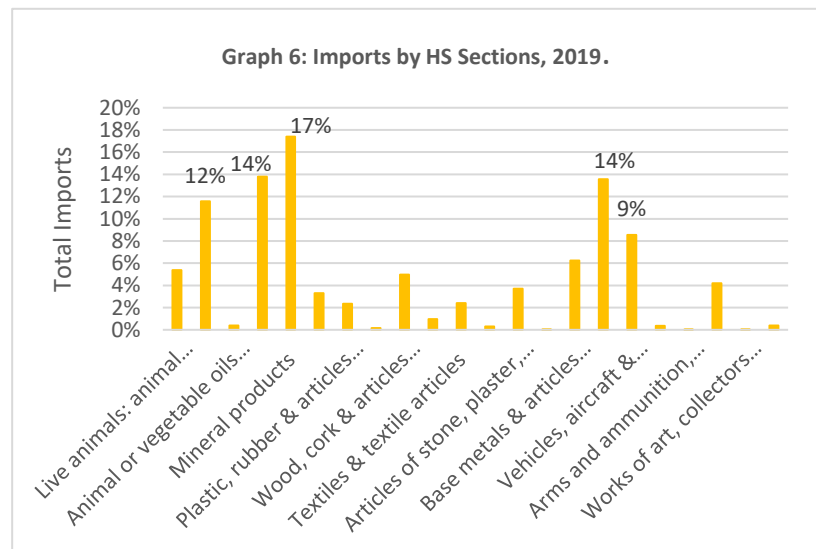
**June 2020:** The below analyses emphasize the HS sections that were accounted of 5% or more of total imports the sections noticed were;

- Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof - 21%
- Mineral products – 18%
- Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco – 15%
- Vegetable products – 11%
- Live animals: animal products – 6%
- Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment – 6%
- Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material – 5%



**2019:** Graph 6 depicts the notable influences on the total imports of 2019. And as demonstrated they are;

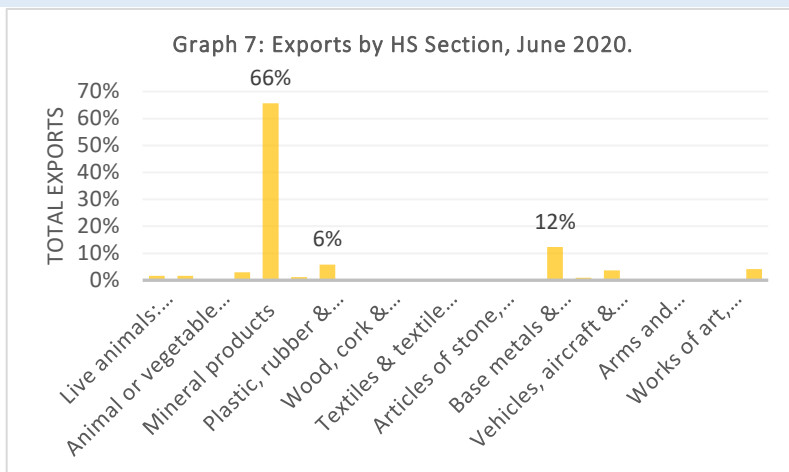
- Mineral products
- Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco
- Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof
- Vegetable products
- Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment



## 4. Performance of Exports

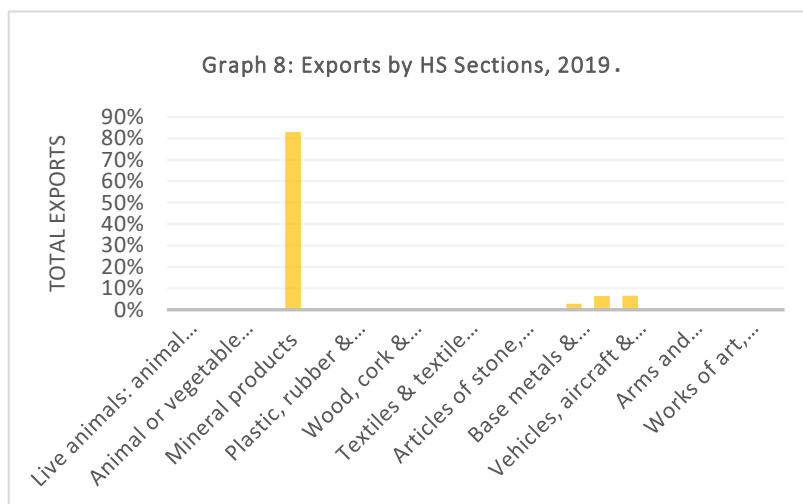
**June 2020:** HS Sections that had a significant impact on total exports from January to June 2020 are as follows;

- Mineral products
- Base metals & articles thereof
- Plastic, rubber & articles thereof



**2019:** The graph alongside depicts the following information on the key commodities of total exports in 2019;

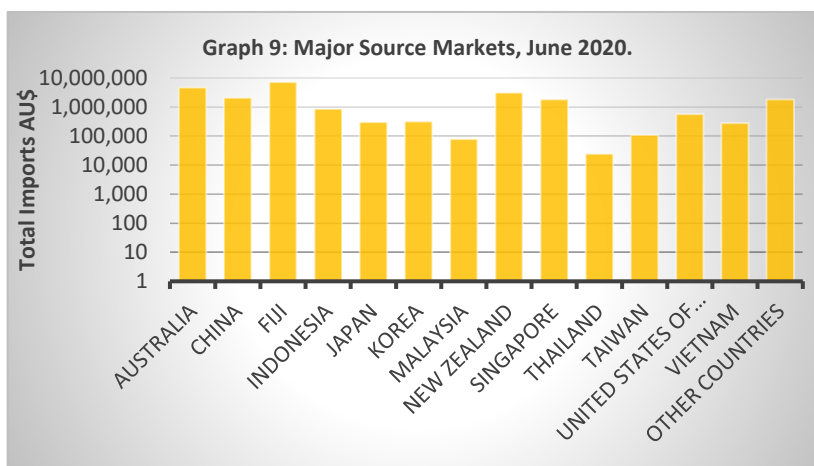
- Mineral products accounts for 83% of total exports
- Vehicles accounts for 7%
- And 6% of the total exports is for Machinery.



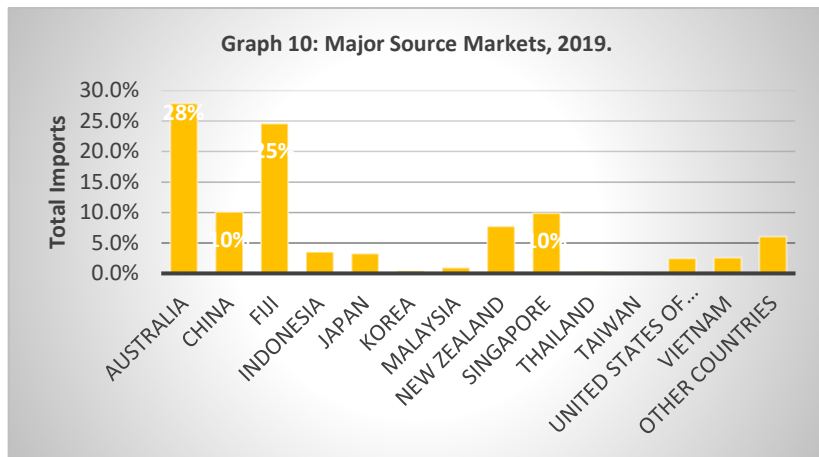
## 5. Direction of Trade

a. Major Source Markets:

**June 2020:** Tuvalu's major source markets as of June 2020 comprises of imports from Fiji worth \$7,131,983 or 31% of total imports, \$4,684,393 (20%) of total imports were from Australia, \$3,085,576 (13%) from New Zealand and \$2,081,824 or 9% from China.

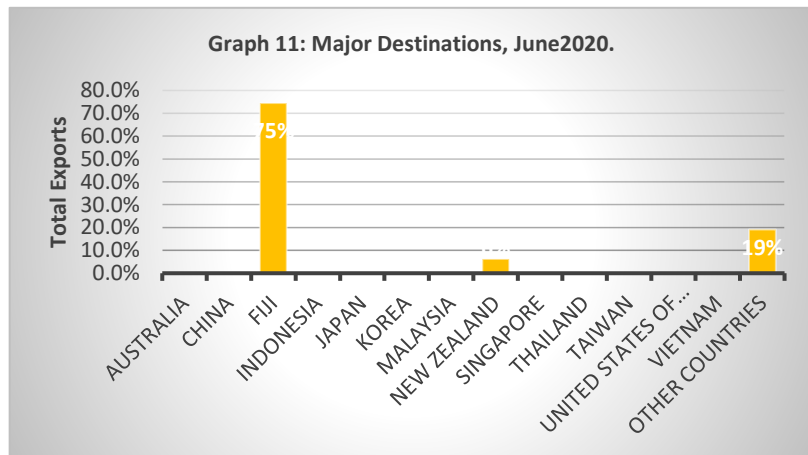


**2019:** Tuvalu's major source markets in 2019 includes Australia, Fiji, China and Singapore with an accumulative \$33,951,957 or 72% of total imports.<sup>6</sup>

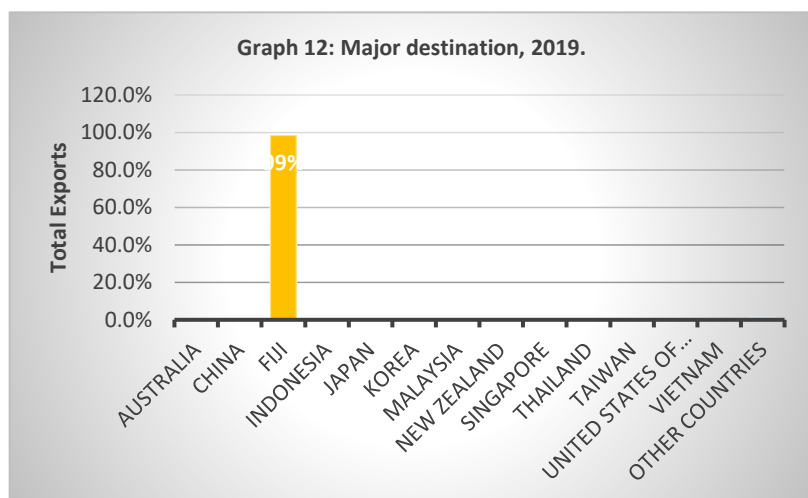


b. Major Destination:

**June 2020:** Tuvalu's major destination as of June 2020 consists of Fiji, New Zealand and Other countries that are not mentioned in the HS classification for instance Kiribati and Samoa. Exports to Fiji accounted for 75% of total exports.

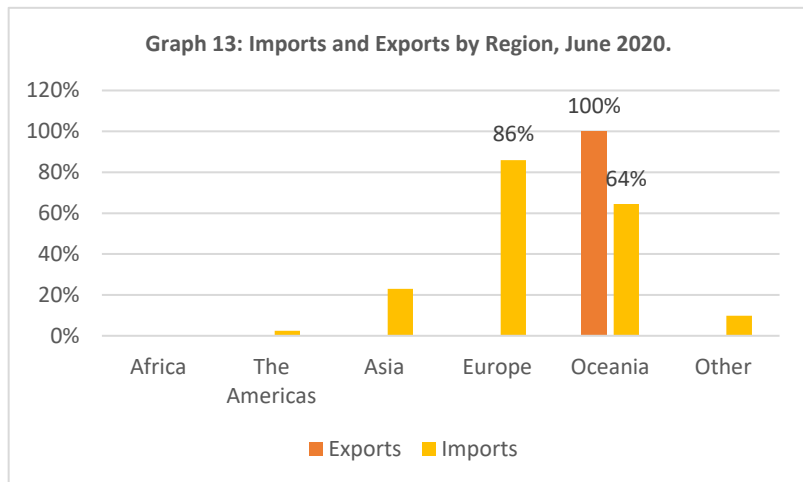


**2019:** As shown in the graph alongside, Fiji demonstrated to be the major export destination for Tuvalu in 2019 by \$398,879 or 99% of total exports.

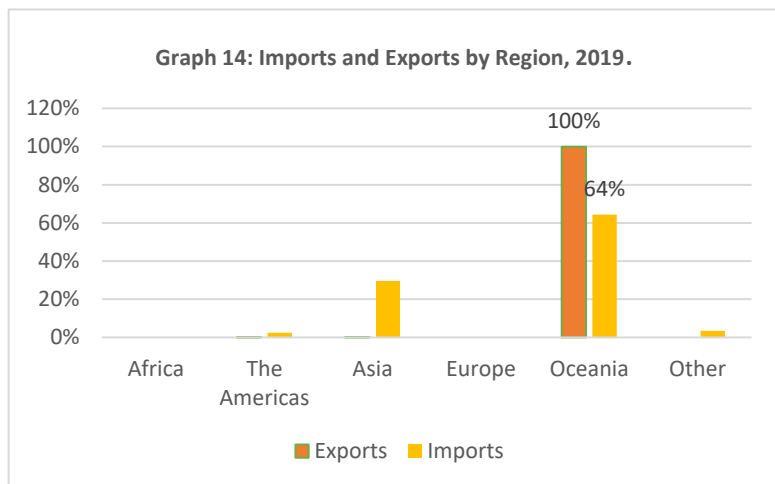


## 6. Trade by Geographical Region

**June 2020:** Trade by Region as of June 2020, as illustrated in Graph 13, demonstrates a high trade channel between Tuvalu and its neighbouring countries within the Oceania region with 100% total exports and 64% total imports. Europe also demonstrates to be a major region of imports for Tuvalu and is accounted for 86% of total imports.



**2019:** Tuvalu's main region of trade in 2019 was the Oceania - with 100% total exports to its neighbouring countries within the Oceania as well as a high 64% of commodities being imported from within its neighbouring countries.



Attached are the respective IMTS release tables;

Table 1	Balance of Trade (AU\$)
Table 2	Imports by HS (AU\$)
Table 3	Total Exports by HS (AU\$)
Table 4	Principle Exports (AU\$)
Table 5	Principle Imports (AU\$)
Table 6	Trade by Partner Countries (AU\$)
Table 7	Trade by Region (AU\$)
Table 8	Trade by Transport Mode (AU\$)

The third quarter of 2020 IMTS release is expecting at this November 2020.



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## APPENDIX TABLES

**Table 1. Balance of Trade (AU\$)**

Year / Month	Exports (FOB)			Imports CIF	Trade Balance
	Domestic	Re-exports	Total		
2017	30,131	242,974	273,105	34,655,720	<b>-34,382,615</b>
2018	52,598	195,767	248,365	34,017,895	<b>-33,769,531</b>
2019	69,132	335,457	404,589	46,851,621	<b>-46,447,032</b>
<b>Year 2020</b>					
January	-	19,532	19,532	4,737,166	<b>-4,717,634</b>
February	6,181	11,114	17,295	3,499,774	<b>-3,482,479</b>
March	1,558	5,364	6,922	1,308,656	<b>-1,301,734</b>
April	-	-	-	5,666,545	<b>-5,666,545</b>
May	-	-	-	3,927,046	<b>-3,927,046</b>
June	11,057	-	11,057	4,044,685	<b>-4,033,628</b>
<b>YTD</b>	<b>18,796</b>	<b>36,010</b>	<b>54,806</b>	<b>23,183,872</b>	<b>-23,129,066</b>

Notes:

Classification used: HS 2017 from 2017

Data source: Tuvalu Customs and Enterprises

**Table 2. Imports by HS by Year/Month, 2017-2020YTD (AU\$)**

HS Sections		Year				Year 2020					
		2017	2018	2019	2020 YTD	January	February	March	April	May	June
<b>I</b>	<b>Live animals: animal products</b>	1,690,766	1,880,861	2,516,574	1,320,704	134,857	341,196	24,081	189,264	192,263	439,044
<b>II</b>	<b>Vegetable products</b>	3,263,134	4,134,306	5,427,886	2,590,076	196,907	340,943	147,754	915,212	430,134	559,125
<b>III</b>	<b>Animal or vegetable oils &amp; fats</b>	127,547	88,321	182,355	94,670	9,511	12,142	0	30,088	9,103	33,826
<b>IV</b>	<b>Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits &amp; tobacco</b>	3,953,324	5,679,431	6,459,307	3,379,948	311,414	451,262	101,115	903,960	741,181	871,016
<b>V</b>	<b>Mineral products</b>	7,245,481	7,339,132	8,157,603	4,077,703	890,608	717,056	175,106	845,790	876,860	572,284
<b>VI</b>	<b>Chemicals and allied products</b>	1,081,140	1,392,379	1,544,162	791,524	61,070	240,789	6,936	72,161	305,620	104,949
<b>VII</b>	<b>Plastic, rubber &amp; articles thereof</b>	953,401	552,379	1,097,923	311,309	20,752	68,739	18,166	53,196	93,143	57,313
<b>VIII</b>	<b>Raw hides, skins, leather articles &amp; travel goods</b>	64,307	82,397	66,622	24,041	2,040	1,197	284	4,735	7,540	8,244
<b>IX</b>	<b>Wood, cork &amp; articles thereof &amp; plaiting material</b>	1,844,705	2,006,516	2,335,180	1,152,402	138,166	162,955	125,059	307,114	254,980	164,126
<b>X</b>	<b>Wood pulp, paper &amp; paperboard &amp; articles thereof</b>	325,117	457,012	445,197	392,910	27,787	72,010	60,935	77,227	119,448	35,504
<b>XI</b>	<b>Textiles &amp; textile articles</b>	847,800	894,855	1,129,489	314,722	74,266	37,549	3,032	123,231	22,217	54,426
<b>XII</b>	<b>Footwear, headgear, umbrellas &amp; parts thereof</b>	136,210	120,024	146,032	121,423	1,423	8,380	0	14,282	91,403	5,937
<b>XIII</b>	<b>Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass &amp; ceramic products</b>	766,298	667,557	1,740,081	233,414	46,979	82,770	5,234	38,652	37,143	22,636
<b>XIV</b>	<b>Pearls, precious &amp; semi-precious stones &amp; metals</b>	12,691	27,957	10,169	1,529	795	58	0	659	0	17
<b>XV</b>	<b>Base metals &amp; articles thereof</b>	3,029,018	1,871,727	2,920,213	886,381	56,798	280,493	135,173	150,311	168,992	94,615
<b>XVI</b>	<b>Machinery &amp; mechanical &amp; electrical appliances &amp; parts thereof</b>	4,037,316	2,743,937	6,360,807	4,981,918	2,397,483	264,041	182,973	1,570,851	183,031	383,540
<b>XVII</b>	<b>Vehicles, aircraft &amp; associated transport equipment</b>	3,036,422	2,220,383	4,005,116	1,457,980	89,779	319,471	156,898	144,476	277,825	469,531
<b>XVIII</b>	<b>Photographic &amp; optical, medical &amp; surgical goods &amp; clocks/watches &amp; musical instruments</b>	353,322	342,130	160,785	492,793	190,587	20,126	154,922	75,070	21,212	30,877
<b>XIX</b>	<b>Arms and ammunition, parts &amp; accessories thereof</b>	447	1,535	1,835	1,040	576	464	0	0	0	0
<b>XX</b>	<b>Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	1,789,431	1,370,482	1,960,015	543,857	84,641	76,348	10,989	139,255	94,949	137,675
<b>XXI</b>	<b>Works of art, collectors pieces &amp; antiques</b>	809	16	196	2,157	584	0	0	1,572	0	0
<b>XXII</b>	<b>Others</b>	97,034	144,560	184,072	11,371	144	1,786	0	9,441	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>34,655,720</b>	<b>34,017,895</b>	<b>46,851,621</b>	<b>23,183,872</b>	<b>4,737,166</b>	<b>3,499,774</b>	<b>1,308,656</b>	<b>5,666,545</b>	<b>3,927,046</b>	<b>4,044,685</b>

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Classification used: HS 2017

Data source: Tuvalu Customs Department

Table 3: Total Exports by HS by Year/Month, 2017-2020 YTD

HS Sections	Year				Year 2020					
	2017	2018	2019	2020 YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
<b>I</b> Live animals: animal products	-	-	-	900	-	900	-	-	-	-
<b>II</b> Vegetable products	-	-	-	900	-	900	-	-	-	-
<b>III</b> Animal or vegetable oils & fats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>IV</b> Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits & tobacco	18,943	1,027	50	1,640	-	1,640	-	-	-	-
<b>V</b> Mineral products	245,126	197,163	335,620	36,011	19,532	11,114	5,364	-	-	-
<b>VI</b> Chemicals and allied products	-	300	600	650	-	-	-	-	-	650
<b>VII</b> Plastic, rubber & articles thereof	10	650	-	3,178	-	-	-	-	-	3,178
<b>VIII</b> Raw hides, skins, leather articles thereof & travel goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>IX</b> Wood, cork & articles thereof & plaiting material	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>X</b> Wood pulp, paper & paperboard & articles thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XI</b> Textiles & textile articles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XII</b> Footwear, headgear, umbrellas & parts thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XIII</b> Articles of stone, plaster, cement, glass & ceramic products	-	-	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XIV</b> Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones & metals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XV</b> Base metals & articles thereof	3,850	10,610	11,664	6,738	-	352	57	-	-	6,329
<b>XVI</b> Machinery & mechanical & electrical appliances & parts thereof	2,523	4,255	26,240	501	-	100	1	-	-	400
<b>XVII</b> Vehicles, aircraft & associated transport equipment	1,013	26,615	26,445	2,000	-	-	1,500	-	-	500
<b>XVIII</b> Photographic & optical, medical & surgical goods & clocks/watches & musical instruments	5	50	800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XIX</b> Arms and ammunition, parts & accessories thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XX</b> Miscellaneous manufactured articles	-	150	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XXI</b> Works of art, collectors pieces & antiques	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>XXII</b> Others	635	7,545	2,920	2,289	-	2,289	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>273,105</b>	<b>248,365</b>	<b>404,589</b>	<b>54,807</b>	<b>19,532</b>	<b>17,295</b>	<b>6,922</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,057</b>

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Data source: Tuvalu Customs Department

**Table 4: Principal Export, 2017-2020YTD (AU\$)**

Commodity	Year				Year 2020					
	2017	2018	2019	2020 YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
<b>Ferrous waste and scrap</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Containers for compressed or liquefied gas, of iron or steel</b>	1,720	3,550	1,092	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sculptures and statuary</b>	-	-	-	57	-	-	57	-	-	-
<b>Other Exports</b>	28,411	49,048	68,040	18,739	-	6,181	1,501	-	-	11,057
<b>TOTAL excluding Re-exports</b>	30,131	52,598	69,132	18,796	-	6,181	1,558	-	-	11,057
<b>Re-exports</b>										
<b>Mineral fuel</b>	242,126	195,767	335,457	36,011	19,532	11,114	5,364	-	-	-
<b>Other re-exports</b>	848	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL Re-exports</b>	242,974	195,767	335,457	36,011	19,532	11,114	5,364	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS plus REEXPORTS</b>	273,105	248,365	404,589	54,807	19,532	17,295	6,922	-	-	11,057

Notes:

Classification used: HS 2017

Data source: Tuvalu Customs Department

Table 5: Principal Imports by Year/Month, 2017-2020YTD (AU\$)

Commodity	Year				Year 2020					
	2017	2018	2019	2020 YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Meat and edible offal, incl poultry, fresh, chilled or frozen	1,085,617	1,186,258	1,685,872	813,344	95,199	272,144	7,630	68,716	101,010	268,646
Dairy produce, eggs and honey	566,476	663,873	777,336	492,714	39,658	62,236	15,411	119,733	91,253	164,423
Edible vegetables	584,198	919,272	1,268,856	641,562	16,771	90,954	108,906	182,722	89,752	152,458
Coffee and tea	30,766	55,510	37,059	24,189	964	15,854	0	101	1,711	5,559
Rice	1,625,345	1,873,043	2,706,548	995,072	102,783	158,109	0	475,292	112,351	146,537
Wheat flour	689,031	872,511	891,564	594,798	26,550	59,000	0	182,061	117,011	210,176
Animal or vegetable fats & oils	127,547	88,321	182,355	94,670	9,511	12,142	0	30,088	9,103	33,826
Edible preparation of meat, fish, crustaceans etc	525,678	712,978	576,937	488,645	15,287	69,789	0	142,386	104,130	157,053
Cane or beet sugar	502,845	576,222	794,904	406,582	45,777	33,195	158	61,081	84,673	181,699
Pasta/noodles and couscous	211,144	178,543	283,969	202,637	7,846	39,593	0	58,237	30,584	66,378
Biscuits	559,851	692,395	747,666	676,071	45,337	49,036	1,025	209,906	227,947	142,820
Sauces	70,447	107,817	156,581	88,109	7,771	18,902	1,208	21,942	13,680	24,605
Mineral and aerated waters including sweetened or flavoured	551,401	1,231,366	1,065,756	255,632	15,381	47,161	10,184	107,972	13,326	61,608
Beer made from malt	321,195	502,284	640,833	320,180	20,796	37,087	78,386	65,684	84,559	33,668
Spirit beverage, incl wine	73,297	140,817	135,126	51,430	28,689	2,609	0	8,806	11,326	0
Cigars, cigarettes and tobacco	298,514	392,641	562,162	247,397	37,265	32,569	2,697	97,843	72,213	4,810
Earths and stone; plastering materials, lime and cement	2,449,166	1,590,874	2,003,481	924,490	38,367	171,076	170,575	31,893	327,271	185,308
Mineral fuels and oils and related products	4,778,800	5,685,099	6,123,700	3,111,850	850,348	542,605	4,530	809,121	523,431	381,815
Pharmaceutical products	191,564	117,514	413,442	27,363	389	14,166	0	11,788	271	750
Paints and varnishes	260,013	230,294	345,630	228,530	5,696	54,199	940	8,744	144,364	14,587
Tubes, pipes and hoses, and fittings therefor, of plastics	357,373	121,621	287,923	55,435	563	5,773	6,682	2,140	26,894	13,384
Wood and articles of wood	1,840,340	1,999,700	2,327,839	1,150,656	138,166	162,955	125,059	307,114	253,246	164,115
Woven fabrics of cotton	368,782	397,680	346,251	31,352	0	0	0	28,167	667	2,518
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	320,568	295,937	467,054	117,438	30,127	6,586	3,032	43,097	16,576	18,020
Other made-up textile articles and worn clothing	100,451	84,812	170,764	64,850	2,807	28,820	0	5,995	2,607	24,621
Articles of stone, plaster, cement and similar materials	449,929	464,699	1,309,604	158,216	41,663	49,447	5,234	27,690	17,616	16,565
Ceramic products	211,309	159,658	318,578	52,202	4,772	26,672	0	2,472	15,402	2,884
Glass and glassware	105,059	43,199	111,900	22,997	543	6,652	0	8,490	4,124	3,187
Boilers, Machinery and mechanical appliance and parts thereof	2,370,026	1,817,778	4,730,797	2,936,569	2,076,629	157,440	165,483	166,552	118,333	252,133
Electrical machinery and equipment, television image and sound recorders and parts thereof	1,667,290	926,158	1,630,010	2,045,349	320,854	106,601	17,489	1,404,299	64,699	131,407
Motor vehicles incl motorcycles, bicycles and tractors	2,729,817	1,797,244	3,747,984	1,138,862	62,795	300,600	156,898	144,148	269,397	205,024
Survey instruments etc	1,480	1,041	31,624	153,540	0	0	153,406	0	134	0
Furniture, bedding, refabricated buildings etc	1,084,909	330,386	644,714	193,910	43,724	11,013	5,302	38,218	67,926	27,727
Other Imports	7,545,491	7,760,350	9,326,804	4,377,228	604,135	854,791	268,419	794,048	909,460	946,375
<b>Total imports</b>	<b>34,655,720</b>	<b>34,017,895</b>	<b>46,851,621</b>	<b>23,183,872</b>	<b>4,737,166</b>	<b>3,499,774</b>	<b>1,308,656</b>	<b>5,666,545</b>	<b>3,927,046</b>	<b>4,044,685</b>

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Data source: Tuvalu Customs Department

Table 6. Trade by Partner Countries by Year/Month, 2017-2020YTD (AU\$)

COUNTRY	Trade Type	Year				Year 2020					
		2017	2018	2019	2020 YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Australia	Exports	1,000	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	6,408,038	8,490,210	13,072,507	4,684,393	425,836	594,990	184,861	1,043,613	1,237,281	1,197,812
	Balance	- 6,407,038	- 8,490,010	- 13,072,507	- 4,684,393	- 425,836	- 594,990	- 184,861	- 1,043,613	- 1,237,281	- 1,197,812
China	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	2,895,605	3,491,847	4,720,760	2,081,824	481,985	505,405	154,740	246,569	165,689	527,436
	Balance	- 2,895,605	- 3,491,847	- 4,720,760	- 2,081,824	- 481,985	- 505,405	- 154,740	- 246,569	- 165,689	- 527,436
Fiji	Exports	248,394	246,038	398,879	40,859	19,532	12,855	6,921	-	-	1,550
	Imports	10,569,795	9,265,004	11,522,390	7,131,983	692,490	1,285,570	613,863	1,744,029	1,278,223	1,517,808
	Balance	- 10,321,400	- 9,018,967	- 11,123,510	- 7,091,124	- 672,958	- 1,272,714	- 606,942	- 1,744,029	- 1,278,223	- 1,516,258
Indonesia	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	251,848	287,932	1,651,406	850,211	34,280	518,332	73,611	152,137	34,027	37,823
	Balance	- 251,848	- 287,932	- 1,651,406	- 850,211	- 34,280	- 518,332	- 73,611	- 152,137	- 34,027	- 37,823
Japan	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	1,175,699	1,339,919	1,523,234	299,029	18,870	138,312	-	16,954	58,768	66,124
	Balance	- 1,175,699	- 1,339,919	- 1,523,234	- 299,029	- 18,870	- 138,312	-	- 16,954	- 58,768	- 66,124
Korea	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	4,499,716	4,212,057	198,524	318,553	-	16,474	-	-	-	302,079
	Balance	- 4,499,716	- 4,212,057	- 198,524	- 318,553	-	- 16,474	-	-	-	- 302,079
Malaysia	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	391,362	408,962	446,719	78,317	-	2,089	-	33,073	38,831	4,324
	Balance	- 391,362	- 408,962	- 446,719	- 78,317	-	- 2,089	-	- 33,073	- 38,831	- 4,324
New Zealand	Exports	-	2,127	600	3,440	-	3,440	-	-	-	-
	Imports	4,767,472	2,307,499	3,621,025	3,085,576	2,166,920	105,197	43,848	282,592	251,286	235,733
	Balance	- 4,767,472	- 2,305,372	- 3,620,425	- 3,082,136	- 2,166,920	- 101,757	- 43,848	- 282,592	- 251,286	- 235,733
Singapore	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	340,532	1,505,169	4,636,301	1,834,367	777,752	-	-	591,935	442,758	21,922
	Balance	- 340,532	- 1,505,169	- 4,636,301	- 1,834,367	- 777,752	-	-	- 591,935	- 442,758	- 21,922
Thailand	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	111,958	152,641	151,034	24,495	18,862	5,633	-	-	-	-
	Balance	- 111,958	- 152,641	- 151,034	- 24,495	- 18,862	- 5,633	-	-	-	-
Taiwan	Exports	-	-	450	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	180,179	355,442	127,708	108,973	108,406	-	-	-	568	-
	Balance	- 180,179	- 355,442	- 127,258	- 108,973	- 108,406	-	-	-	- 568	-
USA	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	1,620,918	851,461	1,156,305	563,880	198	222,343	-	48,643	198,775	93,921
	Balance	- 1,620,918	- 851,461	- 1,156,255	- 563,880	- 198	- 222,343	-	- 48,643	- 198,775	- 93,921
Vietnam	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Imports	42,109	446,685	1,203,082	279,952	9,365	36,203	78,386	144,784	11,214	-
	Balance	- 42,109	- 446,685	- 1,203,082	- 279,952	- 9,365	- 36,203	- 78,386	- 144,784	- 11,214	-
Other	Exports	23,711	-	4,660	10,508	-	1,000	1	-	-	9,507
	Imports	1,400,488	903,069	2,820,628	1,842,318	2,202	69,226	159,347	1,362,214	209,627	39,702
	Balance	- 1,376,777	- 903,069	- 2,815,968	- 1,831,810	- 2,202	- 68,226	- 159,346	- 1,362,214	- 209,627	- 30,195
TOTAL	Exports	273,105	248,365	404,589	54,807	19,532	17,295	6,922	-	-	11,057
	Imports	34,655,720	34,017,895	46,851,621	23,183,872	4,737,166	3,499,774	1,308,656	5,666,545	3,927,046	4,044,685
	Balance	- 34,382,615	- 33,769,531	- 46,447,032	- 23,129,066	- 4,717,634	- 3,482,479	- 1,301,734	- 5,666,545	- 3,927,046	- 4,033,628

Notes:

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**Table 7: Trade by Region by Year/Month, 2017-2020 (AU\$)**

Region	Trade Type	Year				Year 2020					
		2017	2018	2019	2020 YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Africa	Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Imports	49,588	2,296	27,244	31,974	0	16,152	0	15,822	0	0
	Balance	-49,588	-2,296	-27,244	-31,974	0	-16,152	0	-15,822	0	0
The Americas	Exports	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Imports	1,621,398	851,461	1,157,342	563,880	198	222,343	0	48,643	198,775	93,921
	Balance	-1,621,398	-851,461	-1,157,292	-563,880	-198	-222,343	0	-48,643	-198,775	-93,921
Asia	Exports	0	0	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Imports	10,402,004	8,126,414	13,864,700	5,328,093	1,442,145	1,180,790	228,351	1,040,669	742,589	693,548
	Balance	-10,402,004	-8,126,414	-13,864,250	-5,328,093	-1,442,145	-1,180,790	-228,351	-1,040,669	-742,589	-693,548
Europe	Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Imports	752,151	351	71,574	47,127	0	7,049	0	0	40,078	0
	Balance	-752,151	-351	-71,574	-47,127	0	-7,049	0	0	-40,078	0
Oceania	Exports	273,105	248,365	404,089	54,807	19,532	17,295	6,922	0	0	11,057
	Imports	21,786,798	20,114,355	30,134,703	14,930,428	3,285,459	2,006,113	842,572	3,074,665	2,766,789	2,954,830
	Balance	-21,513,692	-19,865,990	-29,730,614	-14,875,621	-3,265,927	-1,988,817	-835,649	-3,074,665	-2,766,789	-2,943,773
Other	Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Imports	43,782	4,923,019	1,596,058	2,282,371	9,365	67,329	237,733	1,486,746	178,814	302,385
	Balance	-43,782	-4,923,019	-1,596,058	-2,282,371	-9,365	-67,329	-237,733	-1,486,746	-178,814	-302,385
TOTAL	Exports	273,105	248,365	404,589	54,807	19,532	17,295	6,922	0	0	11,057
	Imports	34,655,720	34,017,895	46,851,621	23,183,872	4,737,166	3,499,774	1,308,656	5,666,545	3,927,046	4,044,685
	Balance	-34,382,615	-33,769,531	-46,447,032	-23,129,066	-4,717,634	-3,482,479	-1,301,734	-5,666,545	-3,927,046	-4,033,628

Notes:

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**Table 8: Trade by Transport Mode by Year/Month, 2017-2020YTD (AU\$)**

Year / Month		Air	Sea	Road	Postal consignments, mail or courier shipments	Others	Total
<b>2017</b>	Exports	-	31,539	-	-	241,566	<b>273,105</b>
	Imports	689,882	33,965,838	-	-	-	<b>34,655,720</b>
<b>2018</b>	Exports	-	52,598	-	-	195,767	<b>248,365</b>
	Imports	850,601	33,167,294	-	-	-	<b>34,017,895</b>
<b>2019</b>	Exports	-	69,132	-	-	335,457	<b>404,589</b>
	Imports	794,882	46,056,739	-	-	-	<b>46,851,621</b>
<b>Year 2020</b>							
<b>Jan</b>	Exports	-	-	-	-	19,532	<b>19,532</b>
	Imports	18,194	4,718,972	-	-	-	<b>4,737,166</b>
<b>Feb</b>	Exports	-	6,181	-	-	11,114	<b>17,295</b>
	Imports	37,456	3,462,319	-	-	-	<b>3,499,774</b>
<b>Mar</b>	Exports	-	1,558	-	-	5,364	<b>6,922</b>
	Imports	25,129	1,283,528	-	-	-	<b>1,308,656</b>
<b>Apr</b>	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	<b>-</b>
	Imports	39,242	5,627,303	-	-	-	<b>5,666,545</b>
<b>May</b>	Exports	-	-	-	-	-	<b>-</b>
	Imports	-	3,927,046	-	-	-	<b>3,927,046</b>
<b>June</b>	Exports	-	11,057	-	-	-	<b>11,057</b>
	Imports	-	4,044,685	-	-	-	<b>4,044,685</b>
<b>2020 YTD</b>	Exports	-	<b>18,796</b>	-	-	<b>36,011</b>	<b>54,807</b>
	Imports	<b>120,021</b>	<b>23,063,852</b>	-	-	-	<b>23,183,872</b>

Notes:

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