

# Eritrea Merchandise Trade Statistics Profile - 2013



## SUMMARY STATISTICS

Value US\$ Millions	
Total Exports 2013	26.37
Imports 2013	458.27
Total Intra-Exports 2013	5.55
Intra-Imports 2013	12.90

Trade Ratios	
Trade to GDP, 2013	14.07%
Intra-COMESA Trade to Total Trade, 2013	3.81%

**Table 1: Eritrea's Trade with COMESA, Values in US\$ (Millions)**

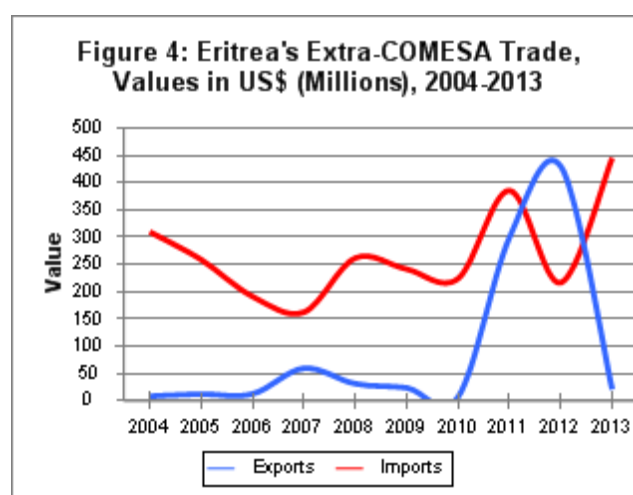
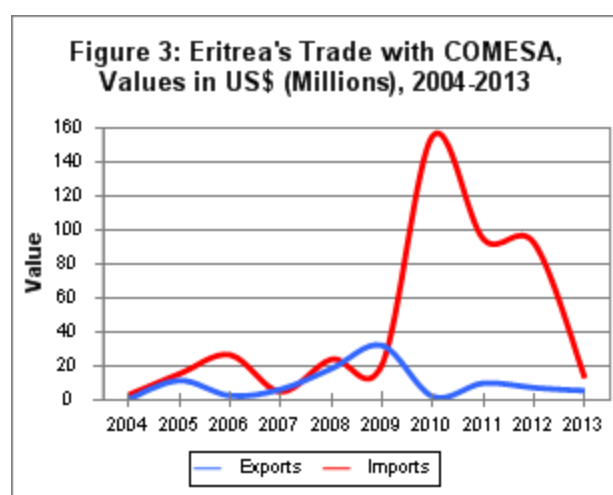
Flow	Year									
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Exports	0.64	11.59	2.63	6.35	3.64	30.24	2.14	10.02	7.29	4.50
Re-exports	-	-	-	-	14.95	1.89	-	-	-	1.05
Total Exports	0.64	11.59	2.63	6.35	18.60	32.13	2.14	10.02	7.29	5.55
Imports	3.24	15.51	26.62	4.89	24.09	21.09	155.54	94.65	92.25	12.90
Trade Balance	-2.60	-3.92	-23.99	1.46	-5.50	11.04	-153.40	-84.63	-84.96	-7.35

**Table 2: Eritrea's Extra-COMESA Trade, Values in US\$ (Millions)**

Flow	Year									
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Exports	8.62	12.20	12.62	59.61	13.07	12.03	7.19	299.39	429.83	19.40
Re-exports	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.23	11.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.42
Total Exports	8.62	12.20	12.62	59.61	31.30	23.87	7.19	299.39	429.83	20.82
Imports	309.68	258.83	191.31	162.46	261.77	241.35	224.00	385.59	216.48	445.37
Trade Balance	-301.05	-246.63	-178.68	-102.86	-230.47	-217.48	-216.81	-86.20	213.34	-424.55

**Table 3: Eritrea's Global Trade, Values in US\$ (Millions)**

Flow	Year									
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Exports	9.26	23.79	15.25	65.95	16.72	42.27	9.33	309.41	437.12	23.90
Re-exports	-	-	-	-	33.18	13.73	-	-	-	2.48
Total Exports	9.26	23.79	15.25	65.95	49.90	56.00	9.33	309.41	437.12	26.37
Imports	312.92	274.34	217.92	167.35	285.86	262.44	379.54	480.24	308.73	458.27
Trade Balance	-303.65	-250.55	-202.67	-101.40	-235.97	-206.44	-370.22	-170.83	128.39	-431.90



Source: COMSTAT Database

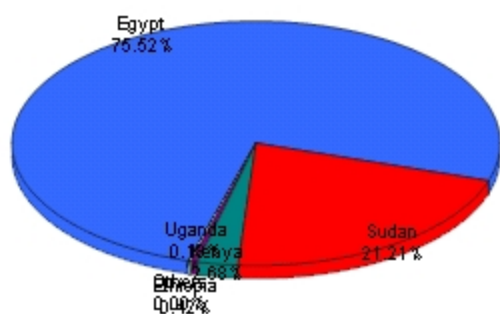
**Table 4: Eritrea's Top COMESA Domestic Export Trading Partners, 2007 - 2013 Value US\$ Millions**

Partner		Year						
		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1	Egypt	-	0.20	0.01	1.80	1.23	3.53	4.19
2	Sudan	6.17	9.86	1.76	0.04	0.33	0.07	1.18
3	Kenya	0.01	5.22	28.74	0.02	8.29	3.42	0.15
4	Ethiopia	0.01	0.00	-	-	-	-	0.02
5	Uganda	0.01	0.24	0.71	0.16	0.08	0.18	0.01
6	Rwanda	0.07	0.00	-	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00
7	Zambia	0.02	0.01	-	0.01	0.03	0.08	0.00
8	Swaziland	-	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
9		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10		-	-	-	-	-	-	-

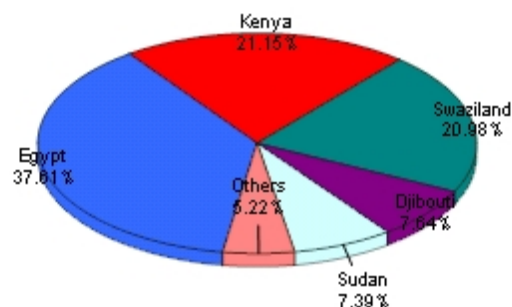
**Table 5: Eritrea's Top COMESA Import Trading Partners, 2007 - 2013 Value US\$ Millions**

Partner		Year						
		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1	Egypt	-	5.85	11.68	63.66	67.46	63.26	4.85
2	Kenya	4.84	3.70	6.05	5.29	4.46	3.44	2.73
3	Swaziland	-	0.07	0.40	1.10	1.23	-	2.71
4	Djibouti	-	0.78	1.25	0.09	0.00	-	0.99
5	Sudan	0.02	13.67	1.62	85.16	20.73	25.37	0.95
6	Zambia	0.00	0.00	0.02	-	-	-	0.40
7	Uganda	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.41	0.18	0.18
8	Mauritius	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.09
9	Libya	-	0.00	0.00	-	-	-	0.00
10	Zimbabwe	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	-	0.00

**Figure 5: Eritrea's Top COMESA Export Markets, 2013**



**Figure 6: Eritrea's Top COMESA Import Markets, 2013**



Source: COMSTAT Database

**Table 6: Eritrea's Top Extra-COMESA Export Trading Partners, 2008 - 2013 Value US\$ Millions**

Partner		Year					
		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1	United Arab Emirates	0.98	5.57	-	-	-	13.37
2	Italy	3.30	11.05	3.41	4.05	-	2.69
3	China	2.17	0.91	0.95	0.78	1.39	1.87
4	Saudi Arabia	0.72	1.86	-	-	-	1.18
5	France	0.94	0.58	0.21	0.81	-	0.30
6	Spain	0.01	-	-	-	0.08	0.19
7	Hong Kong	0.16	0.22	-	-	-	0.18
8	Sweden	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.16
9	Guinea	0.06	-	-	-	-	0.15
10	Netherlands	0.77	0.08	-	-	0.00	0.14

**Table 7: Eritrea's Top Extra-COMESA Import Trading Partners, 2008 - 2013 Value US\$ Millions**

Partner		Year					
		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1	China	23.40	28.39	42.68	162.97	48.18	141.82
2	United Arab Emirates	22.42	23.26	-	-	-	65.76
3	Italy	32.64	34.04	27.53	37.69	-	43.50
4	Germany	5.50	9.36	27.21	33.91	29.63	25.74
5	Saudi Arabia	9.75	23.40	-	-	-	20.33
6	Malaysia	3.68	1.00	2.06	5.79	5.38	15.79
7	India	30.14	4.48	-	-	26.16	14.93
8	South Africa	5.37	7.71	30.61	14.29	23.69	13.47
9	Japan	6.81	4.76	1.90	1.00	1.11	12.99
10	United States of America	18.26	8.90	2.22	3.98	4.87	10.67

Source: COMSTAT Database

**Table 8: Eritrea's top Export Products to COMESA, 2013 Value US\$ Millions**

No	Hs	Product description	Value, US\$ Millions	% of Total Exports to COMESA
1	010619	Live mammals, n.e.s.	3.69	66.42%
2	843041	Boring/sinking mach. (excl. of 8430.10-8430.40), self-propelled	0.88	15.86%
3	841440	Air compressors mounted on a wheeled chassis for towing	0.14	2.60%
4	030379	Fish, n.e.s., frozen (excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes)	0.11	1.92%
5	841720	Bakery ovens, incl. biscuit ovens, non-elec.	0.10	1.86%
6	030339	Flat fish (excl. of 0303.31-0303.33) [see list of conventions for species included], frozen (excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes)	0.09	1.54%
7	420330	Belts & bandoliers, of leather/composition leather	0.06	1.14%
8	030219	Salmonidae (excl. of 0302.11 & 0302.12; excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes), fresh/chilled	0.05	0.90%
9	030199	Live fish, n.e.s.	0.05	0.82%
10	030269	Fish, n.e.s., fresh/chilled (excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes)	0.05	0.81%
		Other Products	0.34	6.13%
		Total Export	5.55	100.00%

**Table 9: Eritrea's top 10 Import Products from COMESA, 2013 Value US\$ Millions**

No	Hs	Product description	Value, US\$ Millions	% of Total Exports to COMESA
1	283719	Cyanides & cyanide oxides (excl. of sodium)	1.54	11.97%
2	392010	Plates, sheets, film, foil & strip, of polymers of ethylene, non-cellular & not reinf./laminated/supported/simplely combined with oth. mats. (excl. s...	1.08	8.40%
3	284130	Sodium dichromate	0.79	6.09%
4	090240	Tea, black (fermented) & partly fermented tea, whether or not flavoured, in immediate packings of a content >3kg	0.76	5.88%
5	870190	Tractors n.e.s. in 87.01 (excl. of 87.09)	0.72	5.59%
6	520100	Cotton, not carded/combed	0.53	4.13%
7	732591	Grinding balls & sim. cast arts. for mills, of iron/steel	0.50	3.85%
8	282739	Chlorides of inorganic acids & metals (excl. of 2827.10-2827.36)	0.48	3.74%
9	271390	Residues of petroleum oils/oils obt. from bituminous mins., other than petroleum coke/petroleum bitumen	0.42	3.29%
10	730441	Tubes, pipes & hollow profiles (excl. of 7304.10-7304.39), seamless, of circular cross-section, of stainless steel, cold-drawn/cold-rolled (cold-r...	0.41	3.17%
		Other Products	5.66	43.90%
		Total Import	12.90	100.00%

Source: COMSTAT Database

**Table 10: Eritrea's top 10 Extra-COMESA Export Products, 2013 Value US\$ Millions**

No	Hs	Product description	Value, US\$ Millions	% of Total Exports to third Countries
1	710812	Gold (incl. gold plated with platinum), in unwrought forms (excl. powder)	7.23	34.71%
2	710813	Gold (incl. gold plated with platinum), non-monetary, in semi-manufactured forms	5.45	26.15%
3	410390	Raw hides & skins, n.e.s. in Ch.41 (fresh/salted/dried/limed/pickled/othw. presvd. but not tanned/parchment-dressed/furth. prepd.) [see complete...	1.33	6.40%
4	620520	Men's/boys' shirts (excl. knitted or crocheted), of cotton	1.27	6.10%
5	843049	Boring/sinking mach. (excl. of 8430.10-8430.40), other than self-propelled	0.89	4.27%
6	410190	Bovine (incl. buffalo)/equine hides & skins (excl. of 4101.20 & 4101.50), incl. butts, bends & bellies (fresh/salted/dried/limed/pickled/othw. presv...	0.84	4.05%
7	520299	Cotton waste other than yarn waste (incl. thread waste) & garnetted stock	0.65	3.14%
8	520300	Cotton, carded/combed	0.59	2.83%
9	380630	Ester gums	0.29	1.41%
10	130190	Natural gums (excl. gum Arabic), resins, gum-resins & oleoresins (e.g., balsams)	0.28	1.34%
		Other Products	2.00	9.59%
		Total Export	20.82	100.00%

**Table 11: Eritrea's Top 10 Extra-COMESA Import Products, 2013 Value US\$ Millions**

No	Hs	Product description	Value, US\$ Millions	% of Total Imports from third Countries
1	870410	Dumpers designed for off-highway use	38.28	8.60%
2	110100	Wheat/meslin flour	20.43	4.59%
3	843143	Parts suit. for use solely/princ. with the boring/sinking mach. of 8430.41/8430.49	18.75	4.21%
4	870590	Special purp. motor vehicles, other than those princ. designed for the tpt. of persons/gds. (e.g., breakdown lorries...mobile radiological units), n.e. ...	18.63	4.18%
5	870130	Track-laying tractors	15.95	3.58%
6	870190	Tractors n.e.s. in 87.01 (excl. of 87.09)	15.77	3.54%
7	870899	Parts & accessories of the motor vehicles of 87.01-87.05, n.e.s. in 87.06-87.08	13.12	2.95%
8	151190	Palm oil, other than crude, & fractions thereof, whether or not ref. but not chemically modified	12.25	2.75%
9	401110	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber, of a kind used on motor cars (incl. station wagons & racing cars)	11.73	2.63%
10	170111	Cane sugar, raw, in solid form, not cont. added flavouring/colouring matter	9.70	2.18%
		Other Products	270.76	60.79%
		Total Import	445.37	100.00%

Source: COMSTAT Database

Table 12: Eritrea's Top Intra-COMESA Exports by Country of Destination, 2013 Value US\$ Millions

No	Hs	Product description	Value, US\$ Millions	Country of Destination
1	010619	Live mammals, n.e.s.	3.69	Egypt
2	843041	Boring/sinking mach. (excl. of 8430.10-8430.40), self-propelled	0.88	Sudan
3	841440	Air compressors mounted on a wheeled chassis for towing	0.14	Sudan
4	030379	Fish, n.e.s., frozen (excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes)	0.11	Egypt
5	841720	Bakery ovens, incl. biscuit ovens, non-elec.	0.10	Kenya
6	030339	Flat fish (excl. of 0303.31-0303.33) [see list of conventions for species included], frozen (excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes)	0.09	Egypt
7	420330	Belts & bandoliers, of leather/composition leather	0.06	Sudan
8	030219	Salmonidae (excl. of 0302.11 & 0302.12; excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes), fresh/chilled	0.05	Egypt
9	030199	Live fish, n.e.s.	0.05	Egypt
10	030269	Fish, n.e.s., fresh/chilled (excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes)	0.05	Egypt
11	392410	Tableware & kitchenware, of plastics	0.04	Sudan
12	030311	Sockeye salmon (red salmon) ( <i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i> ), frozen (excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes)	0.04	Egypt
13	030751	Octopus ( <i>Octopus</i> spp.), live/fresh/chilled	0.04	Egypt
14	870332	Vehicles princ. designed for the tpt. of persons (excl. of 87.02 & 8703.10-8703.24), with C-I int. comb. piston engine (diesel/semi-diesel), of a cyl...	0.02	Ethiopia
15	220850	Gin & Geneva	0.02	Sudan
16	030211	Trout ( <i>Salmo trutta</i> , <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss/clarki/aguabonita/gilae/apache/chrysogaster</i> ), fresh/chilled (excl...	0.02	Egypt
17	030721	Scallops, incl. queen scallops (genera <i>Pecten/Chlamys/Placopecten</i> ), live/fresh/chilled	0.02	Egypt
18	030731	Mussels ( <i>Mytilus</i> spp., <i>Perna</i> spp.), live/fresh/chilled	0.02	Egypt
19	940310	Metal furniture of a kind used in offices	0.02	Sudan
20	030240	Herrings ( <i>Clupea harengus/pallasii</i> ), fresh/chilled (excl. fillets/oth. fish meat of 03.04/livers & roes)	0.02	Egypt

Source: COMSTAT Database

Table 13: Eritrea's Top Intra-COMESA Imports by Country of Origin, 2013 Value US\$ Millions

No	Hs	Product description	Value, US\$ Millions	Country of Origin
1	283719	Cyanides & cyanide oxides (excl. of sodium)	1.54	Swaziland
2	392010	Plates, sheets, film, foil & strip, of polymers of ethylene, non-cellular & not reinf./laminated/supported/simply combined with oth. mats. (excl. s...	1.08	Egypt
3	284130	Sodium dichromate	0.79	Swaziland
4	090240	Tea, black (fermented) & partly fermented tea, whether or not flavoured, in immediate packings of a content >3kg	0.76	Kenya
5	870190	Tractors n.e.s. in 87.01 (excl. of 87.09)	0.72	Djibouti
6	732591	Grinding balls & sim. cast arts. for mills, of iron/steel	0.50	Egypt
7	282739	Chlorides of inorganic acids & metals (excl. of 2827.10-2827.36)	0.48	Egypt
8	271390	Residues of petroleum oils/oils obt. from bituminous mins., other than petroleum coke/petroleum bitumen	0.42	Egypt
9	730441	Tubes, pipes & hollow profiles (excl. of 7304.10-7304.39), seamless, of circular cross-section, of stainless steel, cold-drawn/cold-rolled (cold-r...	0.41	Sudan
10	310230	Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	0.40	Egypt
11	520100	Cotton, not carded/combed	0.40	Zambia
12	300450	Medicaments cont. vitamins/oth. prods. of 29.36 (excl. of 3004.10-3004.40), put up in measured doses/forms/packings for RS	0.40	Egypt
13	240391	Homogenised/reconstituted tobacco	0.36	Kenya
14	845929	Drilling machines other than way-type unit head machines, op. by removing metal, other than numerically controlled	0.27	Swaziland
15	271019	Petroleum oils & oils obt. from bituminous mins. (excl. crude) & preps. other than light oils & preps. [see complete text #14]	0.27	Egypt
16	090230	Tea, black (fermented) & partly fermented tea, whether or not flavoured, in immediate packings of a content not >3kg	0.27	Kenya
17	220830	Whiskies	0.26	Djibouti
18	380630	Ester gums	0.26	Sudan
19	820719	Rock drilling/earth boring tools other than those with working parts of cermets, incl. parts, for hand tools, whether or not power-operated/for ...	0.26	Kenya
20	392059	Plates, sheets, film, foil & strip, of acrylic polymers other than poly (methyl methacrylate), non-cellular & not reinf./laminated/supported/sim...	0.21	Kenya

Source: COMSTAT Database



Table 14: Eritrea's Top Extra-COMESA Exports by Country of Destination, 2013 Value US\$ Millions

No	Hs	Product description	Value, US\$ Millions	Country of Destination
1	710812	Gold (incl. gold plated with platinum), in unwrought forms (excl. powder)	7.23	United Arab Emirates
2	710813	Gold (incl. gold plated with platinum), non-monetary, in semi-manufactured forms	5.45	United Arab Emirates
3	410390	Raw hides & skins, n.e.s. in Ch.41 (fresh/salted/dried/limed/pickled/othw. presvd. but not tanned/parchment-dressed/furth. prepd.) [see complete...	1.20	China
4	620520	Men's/boys' shirts (excl. knitted or crocheted), of cotton	0.97	Italy
5	843049	Boring/sinking mach. (excl. of 8430.10-8430.40), other than self-propelled	0.89	Saudi Arabia
6	520299	Cotton waste other than yarn waste (incl. thread waste) & garnetted stock	0.65	Italy
7	520300	Cotton, carded/combed	0.59	Italy
8	380630	Ester gums	0.29	France
9	410190	Bovine (incl. buffalo)/equine hides & skins (excl. of 4101.20 & 4101.50), incl. butts, bends & bellies (fresh/salted/dried/limed/pickled/othw. presv...	0.29	China
10	130190	Natural gums (excl. gum Arabic), resins, gum-resins & oleoresins (e.g., balsams)	0.28	United Arab Emirates
11	410190	Bovine (incl. buffalo)/equine hides & skins (excl. of 4101.20 & 4101.50), incl. butts, bends & bellies (fresh/salted/dried/limed/pickled/othw. presv...	0.19	Spain
12	410190	Bovine (incl. buffalo)/equine hides & skins (excl. of 4101.20 & 4101.50), incl. butts, bends & bellies (fresh/salted/dried/limed/pickled/othw. presv...	0.18	Hong Kong
13	090412	Pepper (genus Piper), crushed/ground	0.17	Saudi Arabia
14	410229	Raw skins of sheep/lambs (excl. of 4102.10 & 4102.21), fresh/salted/dried.../othw. presvd. but not tanned/parchment-dressed.....	0.16	China
15	870899	Parts & accessories of the motor vehicles of 87.01-87.05, n.e.s. in 87.06-87.08	0.16	Italy
16	870600	Chassis fitted with engines, for the motor vehicles of 87.01-87.05	0.15	Guinea
17	842123	Oil/petrol-filters for int. comb. engines	0.14	Sweden
18	410621	Tanned/crust hides & skins of goats/kids, without wool/hair on, in the wet state (incl. wet-blue) whether or not split but not furth. prepd.	0.11	China
19	410190	Bovine (incl. buffalo)/equine hides & skins (excl. of 4101.20 & 4101.50), incl. butts, bends & bellies (fresh/salted/dried/limed/pickled/othw. presv...	0.11	Italy
20	620520	Men's/boys' shirts (excl. knitted or crocheted), of cotton	0.11	Turkey

Source: COMSTAT Database

Table 15: Eritrea's Top Extra-COMESA Imports by Country of Origin, 2013 Value US\$ Millions

No	Hs	Product description	Value, US\$ Millions	Country of Origin
1	870410	Dumpers designed for off-highway use	18.32	China
2	870590	Special purp. motor vehicles, other than those princ. designed for the tpt. of persons/gds. (e.g., breakdown lorries...mobile radiological units), n.e. ...	17.74	China
3	870130	Track-laying tractors	15.89	China
4	870190	Tractors n.e.s. in 87.01 (excl. of 87.09)	15.51	China
5	110100	Wheat/meslin flour	11.97	Germany
6	151190	Palm oil, other than crude, & fractions thereof, whether or not ref. but not chemically modified	11.37	Malaysia
7	170111	Cane sugar, raw, in solid form, not cont. added flavouring/colouring matter	9.36	Republic of Thailand
8	843143	Parts suit. for use solely/princ. with the boring/sinking mach. of 8430.41/8430.49	7.58	Italy
9	870899	Parts & accessories of the motor vehicles of 87.01-87.05, n.e.s. in 87.06-87.08	6.87	China
10	860900	Containers (incl. conts. for the tpt. of fluids) specially designed & equipped for carriage by one/more modes of tpt.	5.71	China
11	271019	Petroleum oils & oils obt. from bituminous mins. (excl. crude) & preps. other than light oils & preps. [see complete text #14]	5.69	United Arab Emirates
12	401110	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber, of a kind used on motor cars (incl. station wagons & racing cars)	5.48	United Arab Emirates
13	842612	Mobile lifting frames on tyres & straddle carriers	5.47	Germany
14	880390	Parts of gds. of 88.01/88.02, n.e.s. in 88.03	5.12	United Arab Emirates
15	870410	Dumpers designed for off-highway use	5.08	United States of America
16	847170	Storage units (of auto. data processing machines)	5.06	China
17	110100	Wheat/meslin flour	4.80	India
18	843143	Parts suit. for use solely/princ. with the boring/sinking mach. of 8430.41/8430.49	4.79	China
19	870410	Dumpers designed for off-highway use	4.76	Japan
20	721310	Bars & rods, hot-rolled, in irregularly wound coils, of iron/non-alloy steel, cont. indentations/ribs/grooves/oth. deformations produced during the...	4.52	Italy

Source: COMSTAT Database