

Foreign Trade, Second Quarter 2020

The Central Bureau of Statistics presents the most important findings for the Foreign Trade of the 2nd quarter 2020.

Total Import

The total import, in terms of **weight**, registered a decrease of 61.8% in the second quarter of 2020 (77.7 mln kg) compared to the same period in 2019 (203.4 mln kg), while, in terms of **value**, the total import decreased by 44.3%, from Afl. 557.6 mln to Afl. 310.5 mln.

Import to the free circulation area of Aruba* (weight)

Import to the free circulation area of Aruba, in terms of weight, registered a decrease of 62.1% in the second quarter of 2020 (76.4 mln kg), compared to the same period in 2019 (201.5 mln kg). During this period all twenty-one (21) sections registered decreases in terms of weight in import to the free circulation area of Aruba.

The largest decreases are observed for the sections "Mineral products" (-106.1 mln. kg), "Food products" (-5.4 mln. kg) and "Live animals and other animal products" (-2.3 mln. kg).

Import to the free circulation area of Aruba* (value)

Import to the free circulation area of Aruba, in terms of value, registered a decrease of 42.9% in the second quarter of 2020 (Afl. 302.4 mln) compared to the same period in 2019 (Afl. 529.8 mln). All twenty-one (21) sections, registered decreases in terms of value in import to the free circulation area of Aruba.

The largest decreases are observed for the sections "Food products" (Afl. -29.0 mln), "Transport equipment" (Afl. -28.8 mln.) and "Live animals and other animal products" (Afl. -24.7 mln).

The abovementioned Import (to the free calculation area of Aruba) is the result of Import by Sea and Import by Air, which had the following effects:

1. Import to the free circulation area of Aruba* by Sea

Import by Sea to the free circulation area of Aruba, in terms of weight, registered a decrease of 62.1% in the second quarter of 2020 (76.0 mln kg) compared to the same period in 2019 (200.6 mln kg), while, in terms of value, the import by Sea decreased by 40.7% from Afl. 440.3 mln to Afl. 261.2 mln.


2. Import to the free circulation area of Aruba* by Air

Import by Air to the free circulation area of Aruba, in terms of weight, decreased by 59.0% from 0.9 mln kg in the second quarter of 2019 to 0.4 mln kg in the second quarter of 2020, while, in terms of value, the import by Air decreased by 54.0% from Afl. 89.5 mln to Afl. 41.2 mln.

Import to the free circulation area of Aruba* by Large companies**

Import by "Large companies", in terms of weight, decreased by 26.3% from 22.8 mln kg in the second quarter of 2019 to 22.8 mln kg in the second quarter of 2020, while, in terms of value, it decreased by 2.9% from Afl. 48.8 mln to Afl. 47.4 mln.

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**SECOND QUARTER 2020
FOREIGN TRADE**

IMPORT			mln. kg	% change
To Aruba by Sea	↓	76.0	-62.1	
To Aruba by Air	↓	0.4	-59.0	
To Aruba	↓	76.4	-62.1	
To the Free Zone	↓	1.3	-32.0	
Total Import	↓	77.7	-61.8	
By Large companies*	↓	16.8	-26.3	

IMPORT			mln. Afl.	% change
To Aruba by Sea	↓	261.2	-40.7	
To Aruba by Air	↓	41.2	-54.0	
To Aruba	↓	302.4	-42.9	
To the Free Zone	↓	8.1	-70.9	
Total Import	↓	310.5	-44.3	
By Large companies*	↓	47.4	-2.9	

EXPORT			mln. kg	% change
From Aruba by Sea	↓	3.3	-33.9	
From Aruba by Air	↓	0.0	-9.0	
From Aruba	↓	3.4	-33.7	
From the Free Zone	↓	0.8	-23.9	
Total Export	↓	4.2	-32.0	
By Large companies*	↓	-0.01	-	

EXPORT			mln. Afl.	% change
From Aruba by Sea	↓	7.1	-49.5	
From Aruba by Air	↓	3.3	-75.5	
From Aruba	↓	10.4	-62.3	
From the Free Zone	↓	10.6	-27.4	
Total Export	↓	21.0	-50.2	
By Large companies*	↓	-0.8	-	

The % change is determined by comparing the 2nd quarter of 2020 with the 2nd quarter of 2019.

*Large companies refers to the following companies: Valero, Arugas, Web, Elmar and Setar

* Free circulation area of Aruba: all goods entering or leaving the economic territory of Aruba, excluding the Free Zone

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Total Export

The total export, in terms of **weight**, registered a decrease of 32.0% in the second quarter of 2020 (4.2 mln kg) compared to the same period of 2019 (6.1 mln kg), while, in terms of **value**, the total export decreased by 50.2% from Afl. 42.3 mln to Afl. 21.0 mln.

Export from the free circulation area of Aruba* (weight)

Export from the free circulation area of Aruba, in terms of weight, registered a decrease of 33.7% in the second quarter of 2020 (3.4 mln kg) compared to the same period in 2019 (5.1 mln kg). Sixteen (16) of the twenty-one (21) sections, registered decreases in terms of weight in the export from the free circulation area of Aruba. The largest decreases are observed for the sections "Base metals and derivated works" (-0.9 mln. kg), "Food products" (-0.4 mln. kg) and "Chemical products" (-0.2 mln. kg). The largest increases are observed for the sections "Artificial plastic elements" (0.1 mln kg), "Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos" (0.02 mln kg) and "Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork" (0.01 mln kg).

Export from the free circulation area of Aruba* (value)

Export from the free circulation area of Aruba, in terms of value, registered a decrease of 62.3% in the second quarter of 2020 (Afl. 10.4 mln) compared to the same period in 2019 (Afl. 27.6 mln). Sixteen (16) of the twenty-one (21) sections, registered decreases in terms of value in the export from the free circulation area of Aruba. The largest decreases are observed for the sections "Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones" (Afl. -3.9 mln), "Chemical products" (Afl. -3.7 mln) and "Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment" (Afl. -2.3 mln).

The largest increases are observed for the sections "Artificial plastic elements" (Afl. 0.3 mln), "Miscellaneous manufactured articles" (Afl. 0.1 mln) and "Vegetable products" (Afl. 0.1 mln).

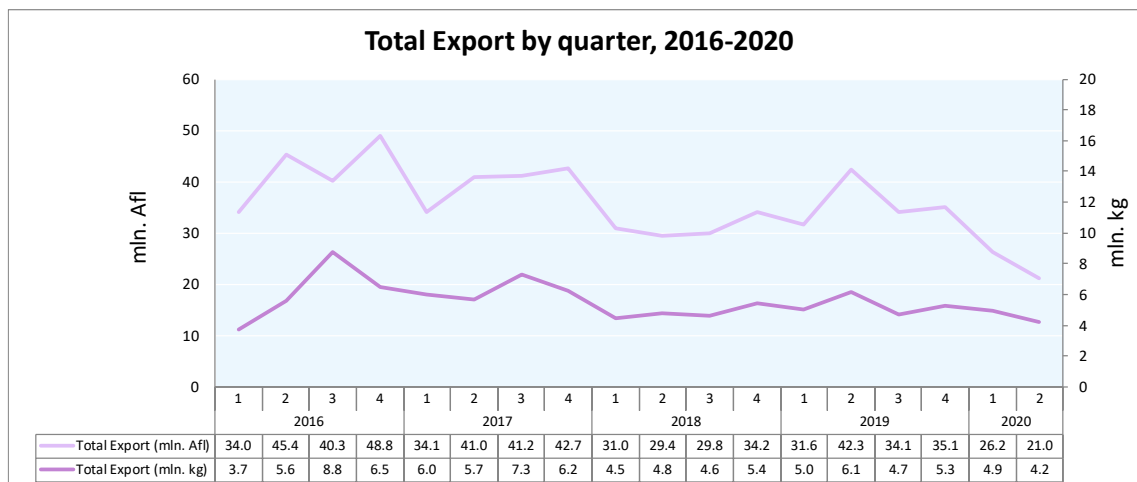
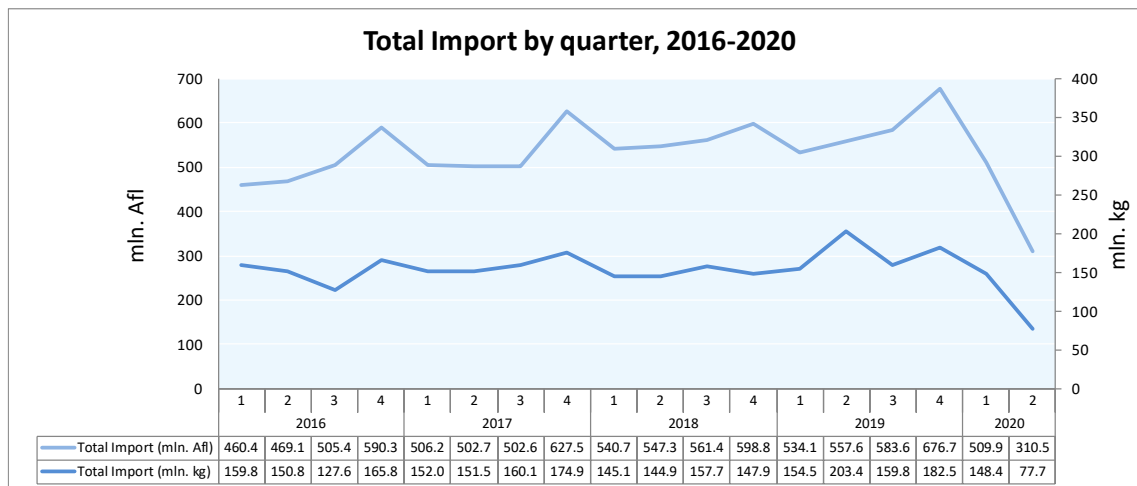


Table 1 Import by quarter, 2019-2020

in mln. kg	Qtr. 2019				2019	Qtr. 2020				2020	2nd Quarter	
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th		1st	2nd	3rd	4th		% change	in mln
To Aruba by Sea	152.1	200.6	157.4	180.5	690.7	146.4	76.0			222.4	-62.1	-124.6
To Aruba by Air	1.2	0.9	1.0	1.2	4.3	1.0	0.4			1.4	-59.0	-0.51
To Aruba	153.3	201.5	158.4	181.7	694.9	147.4	76.4			223.8	-62.1	-125.1
To the Free Zone	1.2	1.9	1.4	0.8	5.3	1.1	1.3			2.4	-32.0	-0.6
Total Import	154.5	203.4	159.8	182.5	700.3	148.4	77.7			226.1	-61.8	-125.7
By Large companies	15.4	22.8	26.3	29.0	93.5	24.4	16.8			41.2	-26.3	-6.0
By Other companies	137.9	178.7	132.2	152.7	601.5	123.0	59.6			182.5	-66.7	-119.1
To Aruba	153.3	201.5	158.4	181.7	694.9	147.4	76.4			223.8	-62.1	-125.1
in mln. Afl.												
To Aruba by Sea	413.9	440.3	473.3	534.8	1,862.2	402.3	261.2			663.5	-40.7	-179.1
To Aruba by Air	103.5	89.5	91.5	130.4	414.9	95.6	41.2			136.8	-54.0	-48.3
To Aruba	517.4	529.8	564.8	665.2	2,277.1	497.9	302.4			800.3	-42.9	-227.4
To the Free Zone	16.7	27.8	18.9	11.5	74.9	12.0	8.1			20.1	-70.9	-19.7
Total Import	534.1	557.6	583.6	676.7	2,352.0	509.9	310.5			820.4	-44.3	-247.1
By Large companies	40.4	48.8	64.4	119.2	272.9	54.3	47.4			101.7	-2.9	-1.4
By Other companies	476.9	481.0	500.3	545.9	2,004.2	443.6	255.0			698.6	-47.0	-226.0
To Aruba	517.4	529.8	564.8	665.2	2,277.1	497.9	302.4			800.3	-42.9	-227.4

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 2 Export by quarter, 2019-2020

in mln. kg	Qtr. 2019				2019	Qtr. 2020				2020	2nd Quarter	
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th		1st	2nd	3rd	4th		% change	in mln
From Aruba by Sea	4.0	5.0	3.8	3.9	16.7	4.1	3.3			7.4	-33.9	-1.7
From Aruba by Air	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0			0.1	-9.0	0.0
From Aruba	4.0	5.1	3.9	3.9	16.9	4.2	3.4			7.6	-33.7	-1.7
From the Free Zone	1.0	1.1	0.8	1.3	4.1	0.8	0.8			1.6	-23.9	-0.3
Total Export	5.0	6.1	4.7	5.3	21.1	4.9	4.2			9.1	-32.0	-2.0
By Large companies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			0.0	-	-0.01
By Other companies	4.0	5.1	3.9	3.9	16.9	4.2	3.4			7.5	-33.6	-1.7
From Aruba	4.0	5.1	3.9	3.9	16.9	4.2	3.4			7.6	-33.7	-1.7
in mln. Afl.												
From Aruba by Sea	10.0	14.0	10.4	6.4	40.8	6.8	7.1			13.9	-49.5	-6.9
From Aruba by Air	8.0	13.6	10.4	8.3	40.4	8.6	3.3			11.9	-75.5	-10.3
From Aruba	18.0	27.6	20.8	14.8	81.2	15.4	10.4			25.8	-62.3	-17.2
From the Free Zone	13.6	14.7	13.3	20.3	61.9	10.8	10.6			21.4	-27.4	-4.0
Total Export	31.6	42.3	34.1	35.1	143.1	26.2	21.0			47.2	-50.2	-21.2
By Large companies	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.5	1.3	0.1	0.0			0.1	-	-0.8
By Other companies	18.0	26.8	20.8	14.2	79.9	15.3	10.4			25.7	-61.2	-16.4
From Aruba	18.0	27.6	20.8	14.8	81.2	15.4	10.4			25.8	-62.3	-17.2

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba