

Foreign Trade, Third Quarter 2021

The Central Bureau of Statistics presents the most important findings for the Foreign Trade of the 3rd quarter 2021.

Total Import

The total import, in terms of **weight**, registered a decrease of 20.4% in the third quarter of 2021 (116.5 mln kg) compared to the same period in 2020 (146.2 mln kg), while, in terms of **value**, the total import increased by 39.0%, from Afl. 422.7 mln to Afl. 587.6 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 22.0% in the third quarter of 2021 (113.3 mln kg), compared to the same period in 2020 (145.3 mln kg). During this period, six (6) of the 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" (-44.7 mln. kg), "Chemical products" (-0.7 mln. kg), and "Machinery & electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)" (-0.4 mln. kg).

The largest increases are observed for the sections "Food products" (4.0 mln. kg), "Miscellaneous manufactured articles" (3.4 mln. kg) and "Vegetable products" (2.1 mln. kg).

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

Import to the free circulation area of Aruba, in terms of value, registered an increase of 34.0% in the third quarter of 2021 (Afl. 549.0 mln) compared to the same period in 2020 (Afl. 409.8 mln). During this period, nineteen (19) of the twenty-one (21) sections registered increases in terms of value in import to the free circulation area of Aruba.

The largest increases are observed for the sections "Live animals and other animal products" (Afl. 24.5 mln), "Food products" (Afl. 22.9 mln.), "Miscellaneous manufactured articles" (Afl. 19.7 mln). Decreases are observed for the sections "Machinery & electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)" (Afl. -21.5 mln) and "Arms and ammunition" (Afl. -0.3 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 developments:

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 22.4% in the third quarter of 2021 (112.4 mln kg) compared to the same period in 2020 (144.8 mln kg), while, in terms of value, the import by Sea increased by 30.6% from Afl. 350.8 mln to Afl. 458.3 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, increased by 81.3% from 0.52 mln kg in the third quarter of 2020 to 0.95 mln kg in the third quarter of 2021, while, in terms of value, the import by Air increased by 53.9% from Afl. 59.0 mln to Afl. 90.8 mln.

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

Import by "Large companies", in terms of weight, increased by 16.3% from 21.7 mln kg in the third quarter of 2020 to 25.3 mln kg in the third quarter of 2021, while, in terms of value, it decreased by 16.4% from Afl. 52.2 mln to Afl. 43.6 mln.

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

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



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IMPORT	mln. kg	% change
To Aruba by Sea	↓ -32.4	-22.4
To Aruba by Air	↑ 0.4	81.3
To Aruba	↓ -32.0	-22.0
To the Free Zone	↑ 2.2	246.2
Total Import	↓ -29.8	-20.4
By Large companies*	↑ 3.5	16.3

IMPORT	mln. Afl.	% change
To Aruba by Sea	↑ 107.5	30.6
To Aruba by Air	↑ 31.8	53.9
To Aruba	↑ 139.2	34.0
To the Free Zone	↑ 25.7	199.3
Total Import	↑ 164.9	39.0
By Large companies*	↓ -8.6	-16.4

EXPORT	mln. kg	% change
From Aruba by Sea	↑ 4.5	124.9
From Aruba by Air	↑ 0.01	57.1
From Aruba	↑ 4.5	124.4
From the Free Zone	↑ 0.9	67.3
Total Export	↑ 5.4	108.7
By Large companies*	↓ -0.02	-100.0

EXPORT	mln. Afl.	% change
From Aruba by Sea	↓ -0.2	-2.0
From Aruba by Air	↓ -4.5	-42.4
From Aruba	↓ -4.7	-24.6
From the Free Zone	↑ 14.0	82.0
Total Export	↑ 9.3	25.6
By Large companies*	↓ -0.02	-97.5

The % change is determined by comparing the 3rd quarter of 2020 with the 3rd quarter of 2021

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

Total Export

The total export, in terms of **weight**, registered an increase of 108.7% in the third quarter of 2021 (10.3 mln kg) compared to the same period of 2020 (5.0 mln kg), while, in terms of **value**, the total export increased by 25.6% from Afl. 36.1 mln to Afl. 45.4 mln.

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

Export from the free circulation area of Aruba, in terms of weight, registered an increase of 124.4% in the third quarter of 2021 (8.1 mln kg) compared to the same period in 2020 (3.6 mln kg). Twelve (12) of the twenty-one (21) sections, registered increases in terms of weight in the export from the free circulation area of Aruba. The largest increases are observed for the sections "Base metals and derivated works" (3.2 mln. kg), "Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos" (0.8 mln. kg) and "Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork" (0.5 mln. kg).

The largest decreases are observed for the sections "Food products" (-0.1 mln kg) and "Works of art, collectors pieces and antiques" (-0.1 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 24.6% in the third quarter of 2021 (Afl. 14.4 mln) compared to the same period in 2020 (Afl. 19.1 mln). Seven (7) 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. -2.6 mln), "Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment" (Afl. -1.4 mln) and "Footwear, headgear and umbrellas" (Afl. -1.0 mln).

The largest increases are observed for the sections "Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos" (Afl. 0.2 mln) and "Textile fibers and articles" (Afl. 0.2 mln).

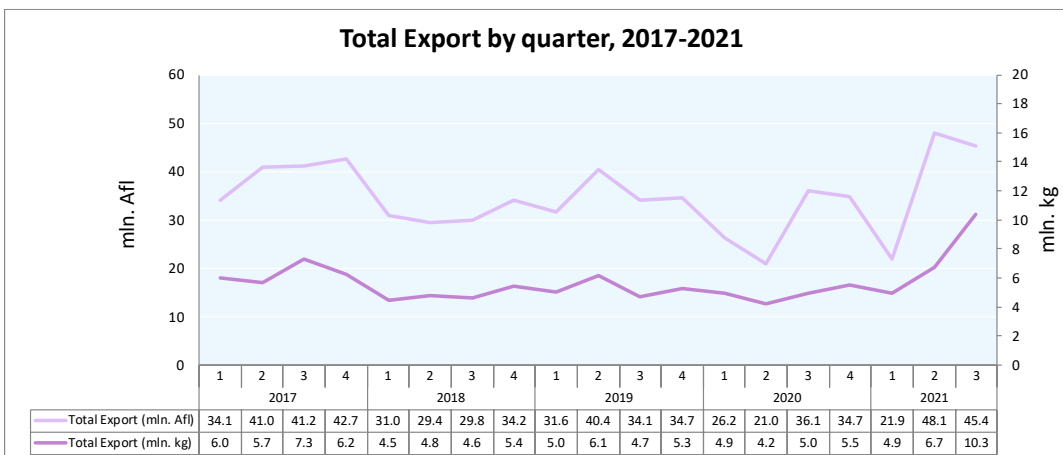
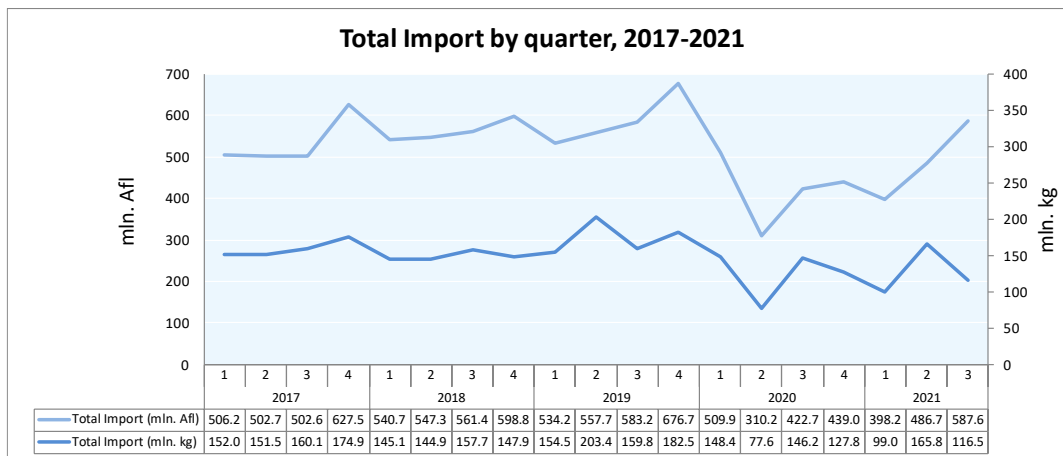


Table 1 Import by quarter, 2020-2021

in mln. kg	Qtr. 2020					Qtr. 2021					3rd Quarter 2020 - 2021	
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	2020	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	2021	% change	in mln
To Aruba by Sea	146.4	76.2	144.8	125.2	492.5	96.8	163.1	112.4	0.0	372.3	-22.4	-32.4
To Aruba by Air	1.0	0.35	0.5	0.6	2.5	0.6	0.63	1.0	0.0	2.2	81.3	0.4
To Aruba	147.4	76.5	145.3	125.8	495.1	97.4	163.8	113.3	0.0	374.5	-22.0	-32.0
To the Free Zone	1.1	1.1	0.9	2.0	5.0	1.6	2.0	3.1	0.0	6.7	246.2	2.2
Total Import	148.4	77.6	146.2	127.8	500.1	99.0	165.8	116.5	0.0	381.2	-20.4	-29.8
By Large companies	24.4	16.8	21.7	20.4	83.4	20.1	21.2	25.3	0.0	66.6	16.3	3.5
By Other companies	123.0	59.7	123.6	105.4	411.7	77.3	142.6	88.1	0.0	308.0	-28.8	-35.6
To Aruba	147.4	76.5	145.3	125.8	495.1	97.4	163.8	113.3	0.0	374.5	-22.0	-32.0
in mln. Afl.												
To Aruba by Sea	402.3	261.5	350.8	344.3	1,358.9	313.1	369.3	458.3	0.0	1,140.6	30.6	107.5
To Aruba by Air	95.6	41.2	59.0	71.6	267.4	68.7	91.7	90.8	0.0	251.1	53.9	31.8
To Aruba	497.9	302.7	409.8	415.9	1,626.3	381.8	461.0	549.0	0.0	1,391.8	34.0	139.2
To the Free Zone	12.0	7.5	12.9	23.1	55.4	16.4	25.8	38.5	0.0	80.6	199.3	25.7
Total Import	509.9	310.2	422.7	439.0	1,681.7	398.2	486.7	587.6	0.0	1,472.4	39.0	164.9
By Large companies	54.3	47.4	52.2	34.7	188.5	39.7	39.3	43.6	0.0	122.6	-16.4	-8.6
By Other companies	443.6	255.4	357.6	381.2	1,437.8	342.1	421.7	505.4	0.0	1,269.2	41.3	147.8
To Aruba	497.9	302.7	409.8	415.9	1,626.3	381.8	461.0	549.0	0.0	1,391.8	34.0	139.2

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 2 Export by quarter, 2020-2021

in mln. kg	Qtr. 2020					Qtr. 2021					3rd Quarter 2020 - 2021	
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	2020	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	2021	% change	in mln
From Aruba by Sea	4.1	3.3	3.6	4.2	15.2	3.9	4.7	8.0	0.0	16.6	124.9	-4.5
From Aruba by Air	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	57.1	0.0
From Aruba	4.2	3.4	3.6	4.3	15.4	3.9	4.7	8.1	0.0	16.7	124.4	-4.5
From the Free Zone	0.8	0.8	1.4	1.2	4.1	1.0	2.0	2.3	0.0	5.3	67.3	-0.9
Total Export	4.94	4.2	5.0	5.5	19.5	4.9	6.7	10.3	0.0	22.0	108.7	-5.4
By Large companies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	-100.0	0.0
By Other companies	4.2	3.4	3.6	4.3	15.4	3.9	4.7	8.1	0.0	16.6	125.6	-4.5
From Aruba	4.2	3.4	3.6	4.3	15.4	3.9	4.7	8.1	0.0	16.7	124.4	-4.5
in mln. Afl.												
From Aruba by Sea	6.8	7.1	8.4	8.0	30.3	6.6	9.0	8.3	0.0	23.9	-2.0	0.2
From Aruba by Air	8.6	3.3	10.7	8.5	31.0	5.2	11.1	6.1	0.0	22.4	-42.4	4.5
From Aruba	15.4	10.4	19.1	16.5	61.4	11.8	20.1	14.4	0.0	46.3	-24.6	4.7
From the Free Zone	10.8	10.6	17.0	18.2	56.6	10.1	28.0	31.0	0.0	69.1	82.0	-14.0
Total Export	26.2	21.0	36.1	34.7	118.0	21.9	48.1	45.4	0.0	115.3	25.6	-9.3
By Large companies	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	-97.5	0.0
By Other companies	15.3	10.4	19.1	16.5	61.2	11.8	19.8	14.4	0.0	45.9	-24.6	4.7
From Aruba	15.4	10.4	19.1	16.5	61.4	11.8	20.1	14.4	0.0	46.3	-24.6	4.7

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba