

Press Release: CBS presents Foreign Trade Statistics for the first quarter of 2015

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In the attached infographic you can observe a compilation of the figures of the first quarter of 2015.

The infographic frame number 1 indicates that for the first quarter of 2015 import to the free circulation area of Aruba decreased with 3.2% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. The value for this quarter to the free circulation area was Afl. 514 mln.

The infographic frame number 2 presents import of 'Food' products which increased from Afl. 124 to 125 mln. The increase is observed in the category 'Alcoholic beverages and distilled' which is number 3 for the 'Food' products. 'Non-food' products decreased from Afl. 358 to 341 mln. The category 'precious stones, jewelry' decreased from Afl. 21 to 15 mln and 'Wrist and pocket watches and parts there of' decreased from Afl. 9 to 7 mln. The category 'precious stones and jewelry...' remains as number two for the import of 'Non- food' products.

In the infographic frame number 3, import to 'some big companies' is shown to have decreased from Afl. 63 to 56 mln and is directly related to the import of 'gasoline' which decreased from Afl. 27 to 17 mln. This is due to a reduction in the price of the product regardless of increase the volume. 'Import to other' decreased from Afl. 420 to 411 mln. This decrease is related to same import mentioned in the infographic frame number two which are 'Wrist-watches, pocket-watches and other watches' and 'Articles of jewelry, base and metal plated'.

The infographic frame number 4 presents type of product and transportation .

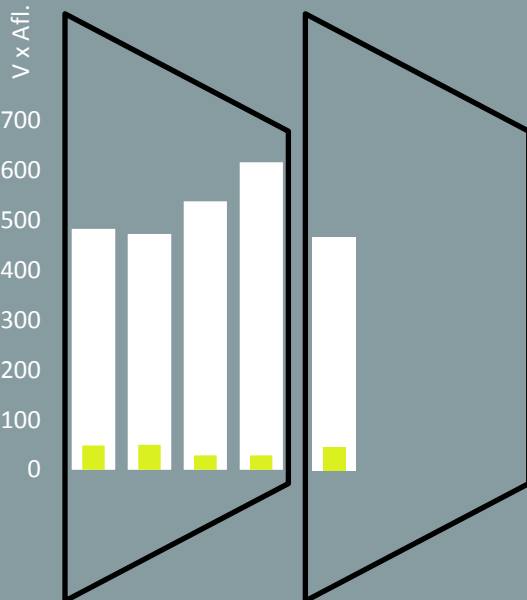
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Trends in import 2014 - Q1 2015 (excluding crude oil and butane)

2014 2015
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■ Import to the free circulation area
■ Import to the Free Zone

Q1 2015
total value of import
Afl. 514 mln.

Q1 2015 vs Q1 2014

The total value of import decreased with
3.2% ↓

The value of the import to the free circulation zone decreased with
3.3% ↓

The value of the import to the Free Zone decreased with
1.8% ↓

Import of food and non-food products Q1 2015 (Top 3 by value of import)



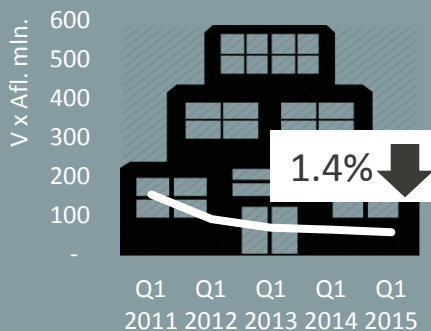
Meat and edible meat offal • **18 mln**
Dairy produce • **14 mln**
Alcoholic beverages • **13 mln**



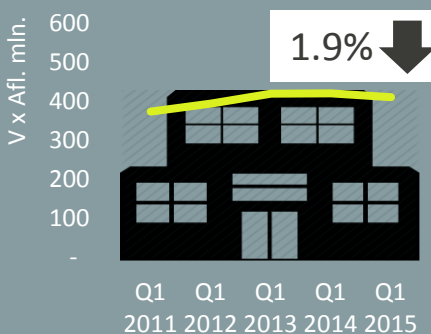
Construction materials • **40 mln**
Precious stones, jewelry,.. • **37 mln**
Textiles, textile articles,.. • **33 mln**

Import by type of company, Q1 2011 - Q1 2015

Big companies:
Propane, public owned utility & communication companies, refinery

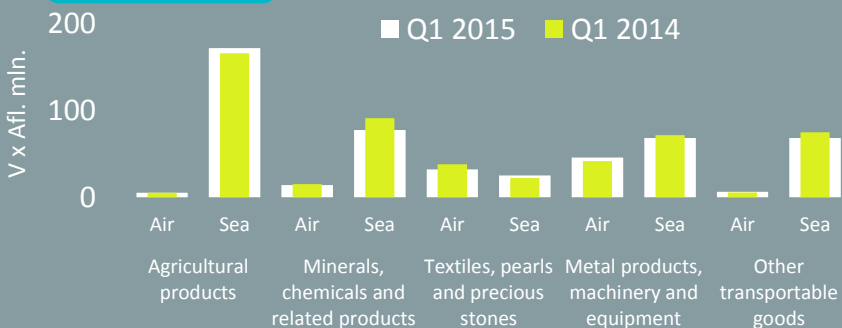


Other companies



Import by country/region, type of transportation, and type of product, Q1 2015

70% of imports was from the USA
79% by sea, **21%** by air



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