

Press Release: CBS presents Foreign Trade Statistics for the fourth quarter of 2014

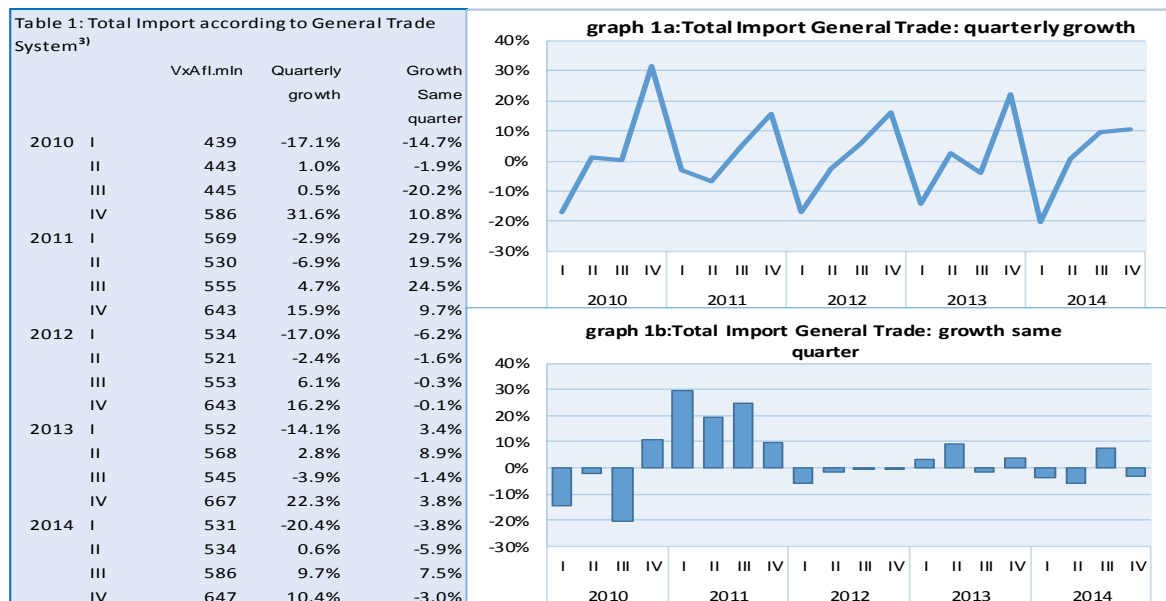
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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FOR ARUBA: FOURTH QUARTER 2014

In the fourth quarter of 2014 the following developments have been registered in the international merchandise flows of Aruba.

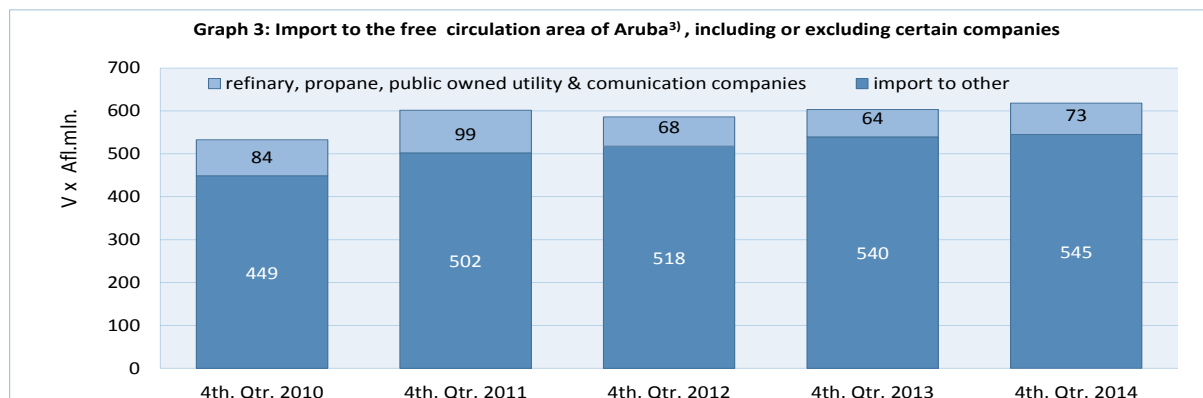
Trends in total Import³⁾

During the fourth quarter of 2014 Aruba imported a total value of Afl. 647 mln from the rest of the world. This represents a decrease of 3% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. (Table 1)



Import to the free circulation area of Aruba³⁾ presented as import to "some big companies"⁴⁾ and "import to other". Comparison between the fourth quarter of 2013 and 2014.

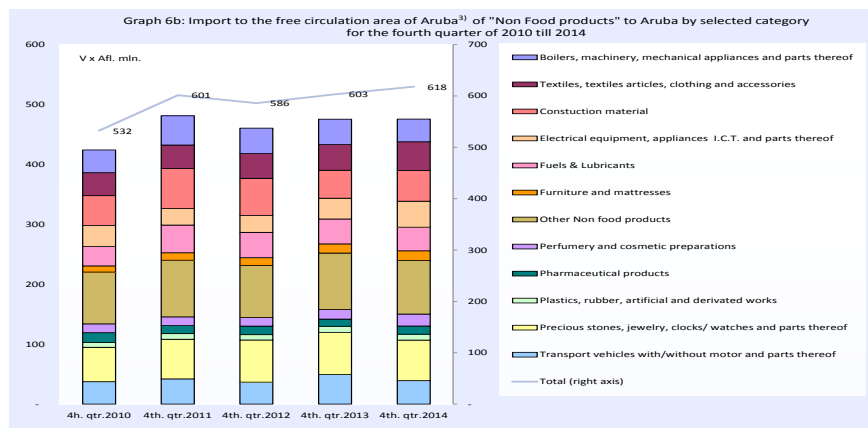
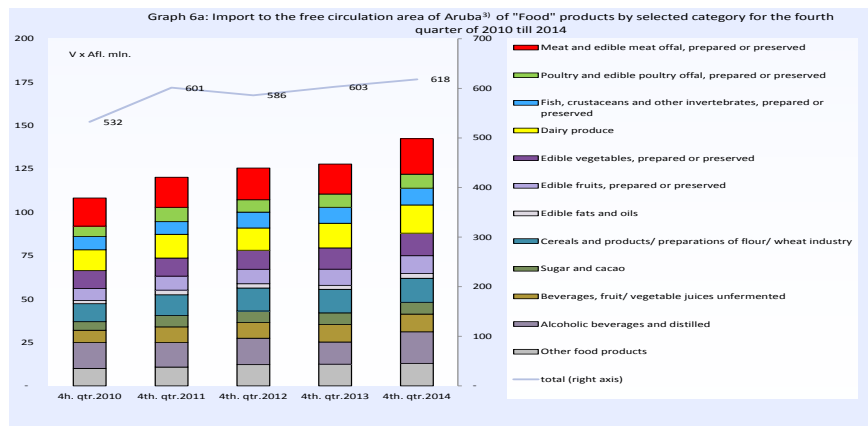
Import to "some big companies"⁴⁾ increased from 64 to 73 mln and is directly related to the import of "Apparatus for filtering or purifying liquids or gases" from 1 to 4 mln and "Electric motors and generators" from 0 to 3 mln. "Import to other" increased from 540 to 545 mln. This is mostly related to the import of "Wrist watches and other watches" from 8 to 12 mln and "Medicines for therapeutic or prophylactic uses" from 6 to 9 mln. (graph 3)



Import to the free circulation area of Aruba³⁾ segmented in "Food"¹⁾ and "Non-food"²⁾ Products. Comparison between the fourth quarter of 2013 and 2014.

For the fourth quarter of 2014 import of "Food" products increased from 128 to 142 mln. This increase is observed in the segment "Alcoholic beverages and distilled" from 13 to 18 mln and "Meat and edible meat offal, prepared or preserved" from 17 to 20 mln (graph 6a).

For the fourth quarter of 2014 the "Non-food" Products reflects no significant changes staying at 476 mln. (graph 6b)



1)The "Food" Products segment covers all edible food products and preparations thereof

2)The "Non-food" Products segment covers all of the "Non edible" products

3)Import for years 2009-2013 excluding crude oil & butane, Export for years 2009-2013 excluding "crude oil, kerosene, gasoline, gas, propane & butane"

4)"refinery (VALERO), propane (ARUGAS), public owned utility (WEB & ELMAR) & communication companies (SETAR)" refers to the companies established on Aruba

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