

Trade Statistics Compilation at the Central Statistical Authority of Ethiopia

- Historical Background
 - Prior to 1997
 - Printouts from Customs
 - **Inputs for the Annual Statistical Abstract**
 - In 1997

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- What is the mandate of the Statistical Office with respect to External Trade Statistics?
 - CSA is mandated by (Statistical Act of September 18/1987) to collect, compile and disseminate any statistical information of the country
- Which other sources do you use besides Customs Declarations?
 - None
- Do you have to key-punch declarations or do all declarations come in electronic format?
 - None of these are done at CSA. Customs does the data entry from the declarations.

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- Do you get all declarations from customs, or does the customs office make a selection for you?
 - We don't receive declarations
- What system of trade is used in your country?
 - The General Trade System is used

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- What checks do you do on the data received from Customs
 - We do a number of checks: unit value checks, supplementary quantity checks, consistency checks, ..., etc,.
- How is the arrangement with customs if declarations have errors
 - There is a Service Level Agreement between CSA and Customs, so if we find errors with the data we received, we inform them of the problem, and most of the time they get corrected, but there are instances where solutions are not forthcoming.

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- Do you get together with Customs and other agencies before the official publication of the trade statistics?
 - No we don't, but whenever we receive data, before we publish them (or make them available to the public), we make sure that the figures are the same between CSA and Customs

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- Steps involved in processing trade data
 - We get data in txt format from ASYCUDA
 - We do checks, and if errors occur we go back to customs to rectify them
 - After we are satisfied with the data, we produce our tables

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- We disseminate the output by way of:
 - Publications:
 - External Merchandise Trade Statistics
 - Annual Statistical Abstract
 - Give data on request to
 - Organizations: COMESA, FAO, UNSD, ..., etc
 - Entrepreneurs
 - Researchers
 - Students

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Merchandise Trade Statistics for the Last Five Years

Million ETB

Year	Imports	Exports	Visible Trade Balance
1999	11,073	3,553	(7,520)
2000	10,370	3,959	(6,411)
2001	15,347	3,659	(11,689)
2002	13,566	3,850	(9,717)
2003	23,069	4,471	(18,598)

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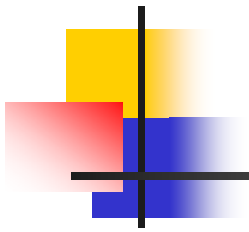
- Major Sources of Imports
 - China
 - Italy
 - Japan
 - India
 - Germany
 - United States of America

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- Major Export Destinations
 - Djibouti
 - Germany
 - Japan
 - Saudi Arabia
 - Italy
 - Somalia

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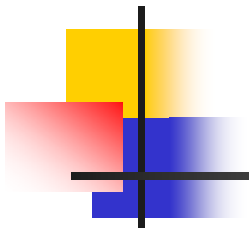
- Major Import Items (2003)
 - Cereals
 - Fuel
 - Machinery
 - Vehicles
 - Iron and Steel

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- Major Export Items (2003)
 - Coffee
 - Vegetable products
 - Oilseeds
 - Hides and Skins
 - Cotton

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Thank You !