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## **ACRONYMS**

GCMS	Ghana Customs Management System
GEPA	Ghana Export Promotion Authority
GRA	Ghana Revenue Authority
GSS	Ghana Statistical Service
q	Quarter
nes	not elsewhere specified
FOB	Free-on-Board
CIF	Cost,Insurance and Freight

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## **PREFACE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The first edition of the Quarterly Digest of International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) for the year 2016 presents statistics on Ghana's Merchandise Trade for the second quarter of the year under review.

The Quarterly Digest aims at bridging the data gap by providing monthly and quarterly import and export data to enhance the investment drive of the country.

This publication contains a wide range of current Trade Statistics of Ghana to provide users with information on imports and exports to facilitate planning and decision making. Monthly and quarterly data are presented for the previous and current year. The content of the quarterly digest includes quarterly balance of trade, imports and exports to/from ECOWAS state, world economic blocs and major trading partners. The quarterly digest will be reviewed on a continuous basis and additional data series of interest will be included as and when appropriate.

The quarterly digest can be accessed on the Ghana Statistical Service (GSS) website, [www.statsghana.gov.gh](http://www.statsghana.gov.gh). For users who have specific data needs, the Trade Statistics Section of the Service could offer the necessary assistance.

The Ghana Statistical Service wishes to express its profound gratitude to the Customs Division of the Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA) and the Ghana Community Network Service Limited (GCNet) for making available the necessary data for the compilation of the International Merchandise Trade Statistics.

We hope that users will find this digest useful.



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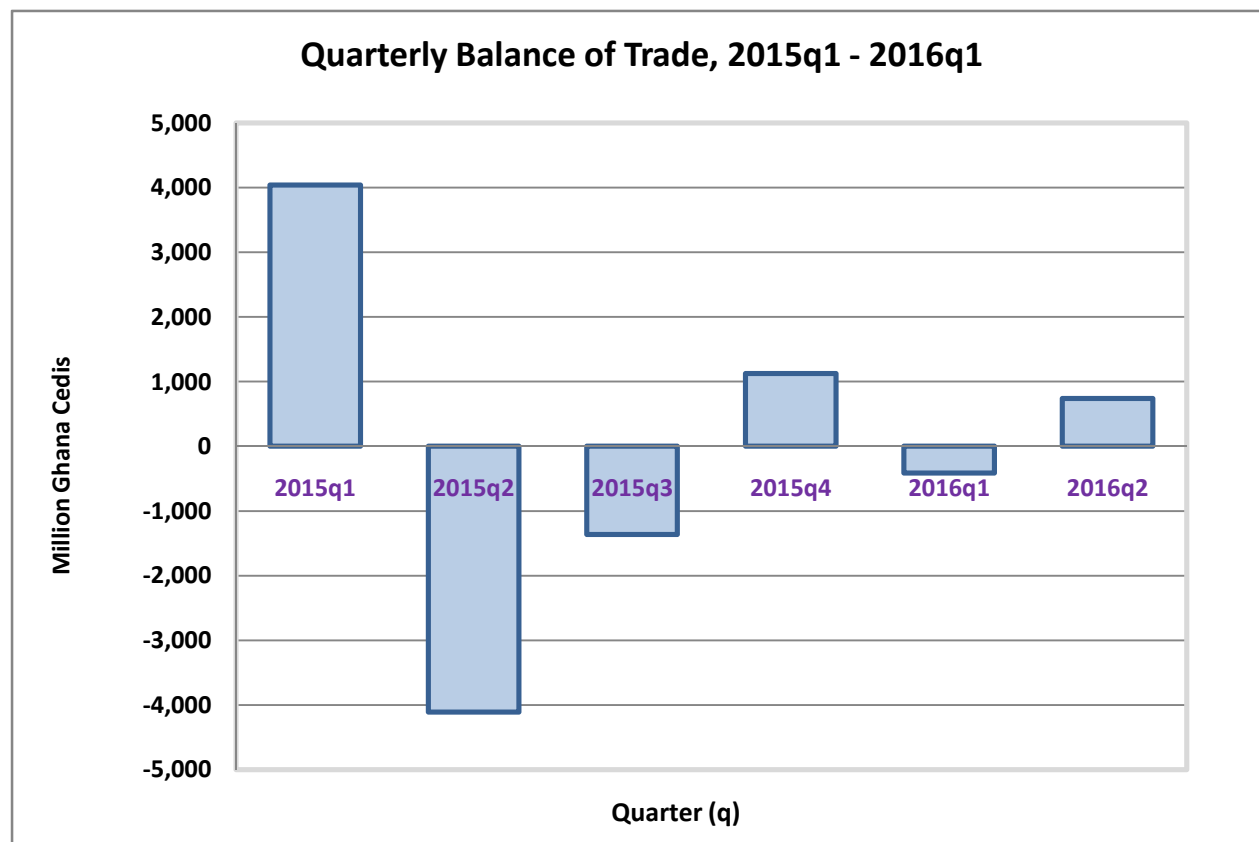
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**Table 1: Quarterly Balance of Trade, Imports and Exports, 2015 - 2016**

Year	Quarterly	Imports (CIF)		Exports (FOB)		Balance of Trade <sup>1</sup>
		VALUE GH¢ Million	VOLUME Tons	VALUE GH¢ Million	VOLUME Tons	
2015	2015q1	8,739	3,121,268	12,780	10,519,735	4,040.81
	2015q2	14,193	3,414,004	10,082	2,806,267	(4,110.60)
	2015q3	11,598	2,833,026	10,236	2,249,507	(1,361.76)
	2015q4	11,256	2,912,705	12,380	2,764,777	1,124.02
2016	2016q1	10,766	3,313,642	10,354	8,976,096	(412.66)
	2016q2	8,829	3,197,411	9,568	5,712,142	738.54

<sup>1</sup> Exports minus imports

Source: Ghana Statistical Service



**Table 2: Monthly Value of Imports and Exports, 2015 - 2016**

Year	Monthly	Imports (CIF) GH¢ million	Percentage Share (%)	Exports (CIF) GH¢ million	Percentage Share (%)
2015	Jan	3,264.5	37.4	3,026.1	23.7
	Feb	2,730.8	31.2	3,328.5	26.0
	Mar	2,743.6	31.4	6,425.3	50.3
	TOTAL (q1)	8,739.0	100.0	12,779.8	100.0
	Apr	3,781.5	26.6	3,667.3	36.4
	May	4,559.0	32.1	3,610.0	35.8
	Jun	5,852.3	41.2	2,804.8	27.8
	TOTAL (q2)	14,192.8	100.0	10,082.2	100.0
	Jul	3,359.5	29.0	3,333.6	32.6
	Aug	4,046.5	34.9	2,765.7	27.0
	Sept	4,191.8	36.1	4,136.8	40.4
	TOTAL (q3)	11,597.8	100.0	10,236.0	100.0
	Oct	3,838.2	34.1	2,559.4	20.7
	Nov	3,929.0	34.9	5,468.5	44.2
	Dec	3,488.4	31.0	4,351.6	35.2
	TOTAL (q4)	11,255.6	100.0	12,379.6	100.0
2016	Jan	4,087.0	38.0	2,816.7	27.2
	Feb	3,286.6	30.5	4,105.6	39.7
	Mar	3,392.8	31.5	3,431.6	33.1
	TOTAL (q1)	10,766.5	100.0	10,353.8	100.0
	Apr	2,740.4	31.0	3,167.3	33.1
	May	2,799.3	31.7	3,494.6	36.5
	Jun	3,289.6	37.3	2,906.0	30.4
	TOTAL (q2)	8,829.3	100.0	9,567.9	100.0

**Source:** Ghana Statistical Service

**Table 3: Quarterly Imports to ECOWAS, 2015 -2016***GH¢ Million*

ECOWAS	2015				2016	
	q1	q2	q3	q4	q1	q2
Burkina Faso	10.5	8.0	5.6	6.5	13.9	10.4
Cape Verde	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Benin	3.8	2.6	2.1	0.3	0.0	0.2
Gambia	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1
Guinea	0.4	0.0	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.1
Cote D'Ivoire	28.4	60.0	34.3	30.3	15.7	27.3
Liberia	0.6	0.6	3.7	3.8	144.2	0.5
Mali	1.6	0.8	2.7	20.0	9.4	2.2
Niger	5.9	9.9	7.2	4.9	7.6	9.1
Nigeria	22.0	564.5	44.3	95.6	21.9	21.7
Guinea Bissau	12.9	23.2	6.2	5.2	9.5	17.0
Senegal	7.8	9.5	11.9	9.6	10.4	18.5
Sierra Leone	2.8	3.3	3.0	29.8	10.0	6.1
Togo	71.0	222.6	190.7	83.1	75.6	84.0
<b>ECOWAS</b>	<b>167.8</b>	<b>905.1</b>	<b>312.0</b>	<b>290.5</b>	<b>318.2</b>	<b>197.3</b>

Source: Ghana Statistical Service

**Table 4: Quarterly Exports to ECOWAS, 2015 - 2016***GH¢ Million*

ECOWAS	2015				2016	
	q1	q2	q3	q4	q1	q2
Burkina Faso	185.5	174.8	137.4	630.8	499.9	610.1
Cape Verde	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Benin	101.1	91.6	35.9	249.2	21.0	20.4
Gambia	1.3	1.3	1.6	1.5	2.3	1.3
Guinea	4.1	6.7	5.2	16.6	6.0	6.9
Cote D'Ivoire	54.8	38.1	28.0	43.7	39.4	32.7
Liberia	1.3	13.0	3.1	5.9	6.0	7.1
Mali	340.6	254.7	769.2	83.0	280.1	463.7
Niger	41.1	133.2	49.6	73.5	59.4	65.4
Nigeria	228.5	128.1	103.3	129.3	61.8	46.1
Guinea Bissau	0.1	0.0	0.7	0.0	-	0.1
Senegal	8.8	13.8	37.7	38.2	36.4	352.6
Sierra Leone	4.3	5.2	4.4	3.8	2.4	3.4
Togo	122.5	48.9	262.7	119.1	125.8	135.5
<b>ECOWAS</b>	<b>1,094.0</b>	<b>909.6</b>	<b>1,438.8</b>	<b>1,394.6</b>	<b>1,140.5</b>	<b>1,745.5</b>

Source: Ghana Statistical Service

**Table 5: Quarterly Imports from World Economic Blocs, 2015 - 2016**

*GH¢ Million*

Economic Bloc	2015				2016	
	q1	q2	q3	q4	q1	q2
<b>Africa</b>	<b>1,304.3</b>	<b>1,861.8</b>	<b>1,190.4</b>	<b>1,131.6</b>	<b>1,024.7</b>	<b>879.8</b>
Northern Africa	598.3	241.3	214.5	207.0	202.3	284.9
ECOWAS	167.8	905.1	312.0	290.5	318.2	197.3
Central Africa	3.3	4.5	19.7	10.5	5.0	2.2
Eastern and Southern Africa	534.9	711.0	644.2	623.6	499.1	395.3
<b>Europe</b>	<b>2,445.4</b>	<b>3,602.5</b>	<b>3,128.5</b>	<b>3,712.7</b>	<b>3,556.1</b>	<b>3,271.8</b>
European Union	2,134.0	3,130.9	2,730.4	2,833.1	3,119.2	2,568.8
Rest of the world	311.4	471.5	398.1	879.6	436.9	702.9
<b>Asia</b>	<b>3,747.8</b>	<b>5,087.6</b>	<b>4,683.3</b>	<b>4,966.0</b>	<b>4,365.2</b>	<b>3,543.7</b>
Asia Occidental	365.7	1,511.2	370.4	662.5	474.8	415.4
Other Countries of Asia	3,382.1	3,576.4	4,312.9	4,303.5	3,890.4	3,128.3
<b>America</b>	<b>1,133.7</b>	<b>2,385.0</b>	<b>2,252.0</b>	<b>1,629.4</b>	<b>1,734.9</b>	<b>1,827.6</b>
Southern America	83.8	248.2	178.4	191.4	241.9	303.4
North America	991.1	2,059.3	2,027.7	1,339.9	755.8	1,073.9
Central America and Carribian	58.8	77.6	45.9	98.1	737.2	450.3
<b>Australia</b>	<b>107.9</b>	<b>146.4</b>	<b>93.2</b>	<b>73.8</b>	<b>111.0</b>	<b>132.9</b>
Australia and New Zealand	107.9	146.4	93.1	73.6	94.8	117.3
Oceania and Polar Region	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	16.2	15.7
<b>World Trade</b>	<b>8,736.2</b>	<b>14,192.8</b>	<b>11,597.8</b>	<b>11,255.6</b>	<b>10,766.5</b>	<b>8,829.3</b>

Source: Ghana Statistical tistical Service



**Table 6: Quarterly Exports to World Economic Blocs, 2015 - 2016**

*GH¢ Million*

Economic Bloc	2015				2016	
	q1	q2	q3	q4	q1	q2
<b>Africa</b>	<b>2,005.7</b>	<b>2,046.1</b>	<b>1,855.3</b>	<b>2,034.5</b>	<b>1,547.6</b>	<b>1,977.6</b>
Northern Africa	10.1	2.6	7.5	25.8	7.6	23.6
ECOWAS	1,094.0	909.6	1,438.8	1,394.6	1,140.5	1,745.5
Central Africa	18.2	28.7	12.5	12.7	13.9	8.1
Eastern and Southern Africa	883.4	1,105.3	396.5	601.4	385.5	200.5
<b>Europe</b>	<b>3,972.4</b>	<b>3,616.5</b>	<b>3,560.1</b>	<b>6,189.0</b>	<b>3,780.1</b>	<b>3,552.2</b>
European Union	2,587.5	2,160.5	2,510.7	4,644.1	2,138.6	1,304.4
Rest of the Europe	1,384.9	1,456.0	1,049.5	1,544.9	1,641.5	2,247.9
<b>Asia</b>	<b>3,561.0</b>	<b>4,571.1</b>	<b>4,750.0</b>	<b>3,796.9</b>	<b>4,355.2</b>	<b>3,803.6</b>
Asia Occidental	726.5	434.1	504.5	150.5	1,040.1	2,023.4
Other Countries of Asia	2,834.5	4,137.0	4,245.5	3,646.4	3,315.1	1,780.3
<b>America</b>	<b>305.5</b>	<b>464.0</b>	<b>120.3</b>	<b>351.2</b>	<b>711.6</b>	<b>639.1</b>
Southern America	30.5	92.2	7.2	0.1	378.5	68.7
North America	255.4	341.9	94.9	345.2	329.3	165.4
Central America and Carribean	19.6	29.9	18.3	6.0	3.8	405.0
<b>Australia</b>	<b>2,971.2</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Australia and New Zealand	2,971.2	9.9	2.3	12.5	8.0	2.0
Oceania and Polar Region	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>World Trade</b>	<b>12,779.7</b>	<b>10,082.2</b>	<b>10,236.0</b>	<b>12,379.6</b>	<b>10,353.8</b>	<b>9,567.9</b>

Source: Ghana Statistical service