

**Table 2. Value of Exports by Commodity Group,  
Region VIII: January 2021<sup>P</sup>  
(Free on Board Value in Million USD)**

Commodity Group	Value	% Share
<b>Total</b>	<b>165.35</b>	<b>100.00</b>
Copper and Articles Thereof	158.78	96.03
Animal or Vegetable Fats and Oils and their Cleavage Products:		
Prepared Edible Fats, Animal or Vegetable Waxes	3.61	2.18
Fertilizers	2.33	1.41
Ores, slag and ash	0.33	0.20
Inorganic Chemicals; Organic or Inorganic Compounds of Precious Metals, of Rare-earth, of Radio-active Elements or of Isotopes	0.31	0.19

Notes:  
P – preliminary data  
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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

**Table 3. Value of Imports by Commodity Group,  
Region VIII: January 2021<sup>P</sup>  
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Commodity Group	Value	% Share
<b>Total</b>	<b>62.76</b>	<b>100.00</b>
Ores, slag and ash	39.03	62.18
Mineral Fuels, Mineral Oils and Products of their Distillation; Bituminous Substances; Mineral Waxes	13.26	21.13
Cereals	4.47	7.13
Salt, Sulphur, Earths and Stone; Plastering Materials, Lime and Cement	2.11	3.37
Inorganic Chemicals; Organic or Inorganic Compounds of Precious Metals, of Rare-earth, of Radio-active Elements or of Isotopes	1.49	2.37
Other Vegetable Textile Fibres; Paper Yarn and Woven Fabrics of Paper Yarn	1.24	1.98
Others	1.16	1.84

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# Fact Sheet

An information sheet that showcases relevant data/indicators in Eastern Visayas

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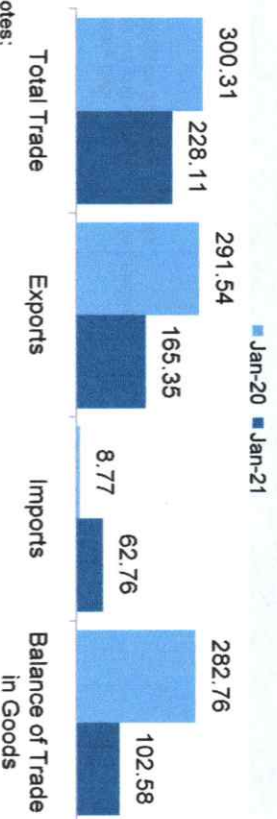
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## Highlights of Eastern Visayas' Export and Import Statistics: January 2021 (Preliminary Data)

Figure 1. Foreign Trade Statistics, Region VIII: January 2020 and January 2021<sup>P</sup> (Free on Board Value in Million USD)



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Eastern Visayas recorded a 24.04 percent decline in total trade in goods, from USD 300.31 million in January 2020 to USD 228.11 in January 2021.

Total value of exports dropped by 43.28 percent, from USD 291.54 million in January 2020 to USD 165.35 million in January 2021. On the other hand, the total value of imports soared to USD 62.76 million in January 2021, around seven fold of its USD 8.77 million value in January 2020.

Balance of Trade in goods (BoT-G), or the difference between the value of export and import, plunged by 63.72 percent from USD 282.76 million in January 2020 to USD 102.58 million in January 2021 (Table 1).

Imported goods in January 2021 had a gross weight of 181.7 million kilograms which amounted to USD 62.76 million. The commodity group of ores, slag and ash comprised the bulk or about two-thirds (62.18%) of the region's total import bill in January 2021 valued at USD 39.03 million.

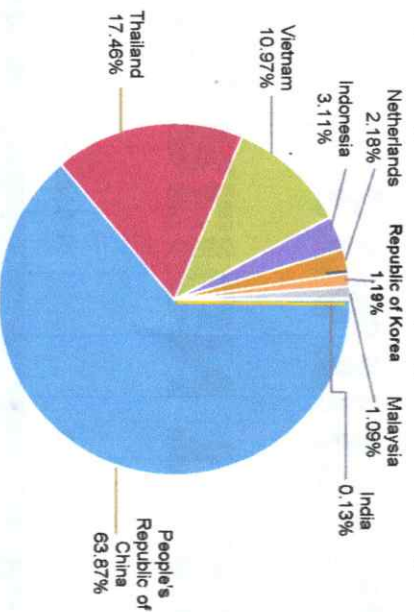
Papua New Guinea's total imports accounted for the largest share of USD 38.75 million or 61.73 percent of the region's total import in January 2021. This was followed by Singapore with USD 10.26 million

(16.35%), Vietnam with USD 4.60 million (7.33%), and Algeria with USD 2.11 million (3.36%).

Total volume of exports in January 2021 had a gross weight of 68.8 million kilograms with a total value of USD 165.35 million. The top three commodity groups exported were 1) copper and articles thereof worth USD 158.78 (96.03%); 2) animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products, prepared edible fats, animal or vegetable waxes worth USD 3.61 million (2.18%), and 3) fertilizers worth USD 2.33 million (1.41%).

The major trading partner in January 2021 was the People's Republic of China which remitted 63.87 percent or USD 105.62 million of the regional export revenues. This was followed by Thailand and Vietnam with an export value of USD 28.87 (17.46%) and USD 18.14 million (10.97%), respectively.

Figure 2. Distribution of Value of Exports by Country of Destination, Region VIII: January 2021<sup>P</sup>



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	Jan-20	Jan-21	% Change
Total Trade	300.31	228.11	-24.04
Exports	291.54	165.35	-43.28
Imports	8.77	62.76	615.39
Balance of Trade in Goods	282.76	102.58	-63.72

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