

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

Commodity Group	Value	% Share
<b>Total</b>	<b>304.59</b>	<b>100.00</b>
Copper and Articles Thereof	291.14	95.58
Inorganic Chemicals; Organic or Inorganic Compounds of Precious Metals, of Rare-Earth, of Radio-Active Elements or of Isotopes	8.87	2.91
Pulp of Wood or of Other Fibrous Cellulosic Material; Recovered (Waste and Scrap) Paper or Paperboard	2.49	0.82
Fertilizers	2.10	0.69

**Notes:**

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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Table 3. Value of Imports by Commodity Group,  
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Commodity Group	Value	% Share
<b>Total</b>	<b>92.71</b>	<b>100.00</b>
Ores, Slag and Ash	67.38	72.68
Mineral Fuels, Mineral Oils and Products of their Distillation; Bituminous Substances; Mineral Waxes	16.48	17.78
Cereals	2.91	3.13
Salt, Sulphur, Earths and Stone; Plastering Materials, Lime and Cement	1.61	1.74
Nuclear Reactors, Boilers, Machinery and Mechanical Appliances; Parts Thereof	1.36	1.47
Inorganic Chemicals; Organic or Inorganic Compounds of Precious Metals, of Rare-Earth, of Radio-Active Elements or of Isotopes	1.30	1.41
Others	1.66	1.80

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# Fact Sheet

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

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



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Eastern Visayas recorded a 34.30 percent increase in total trade from USD 295.84 million in March 2020 to USD 397.30 million in March 2021.

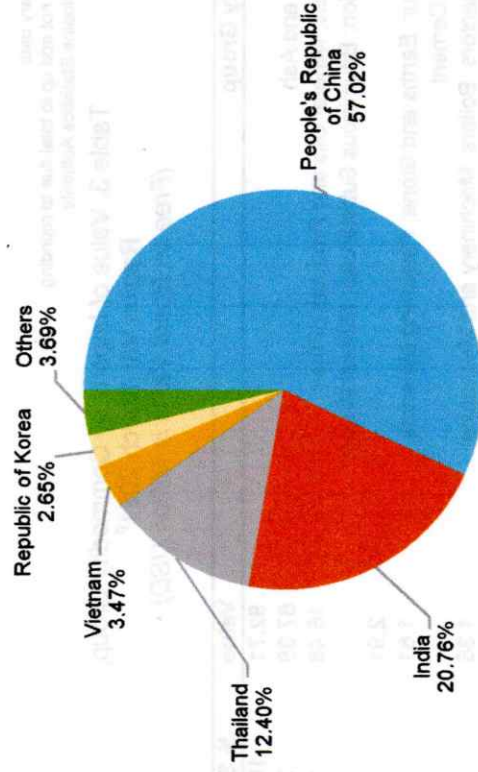
Exports increased by 6.51 percent from USD 285.96 million in March 2020 to USD 304.59 million in March 2021. Imports soared nine-folds from USD 9.88 million in March 2020 to USD 92.71 million in March 2021.

Despite the upsurge in import, however, Balance of Trade in Goods (BoT-G) still declined by 23.26 percent. It dropped from USD 276.08 million in March 2020 to USD 211.88 million in March 2021 (Table 1).

The total volume of the region's exports in March 2021 was 106.16 million kilograms with a total value of USD 304.59 million. The bulk (95.58%) of the region's export in March 2021 was the commodity group of copper and articles thereof worth USD 291.14 million. More than half or 57.02 percent of the region's export in March 2021 went to People's Republic of China valued at USD 173.68 million.

The region's total volume of imports in March 2021 had a gross weight of 194.34 million kilograms which amounted to USD 92.71 million. Ores, slag and ash was the main commodity group imported by the region. This contributed USD 67.38 million or 72.68 percent of the region's total value of import. The major importer in March 2021 was Indonesia which supplied more than half (52.82%) or USD 48.97 million of the region's total value of import.

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



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	March-20	March-21	% Change
Total Trade	295.84	397.30	34.30
Exports	285.96	304.59	6.51
Imports	9.88	92.71	838.54
Balance of Trade in Goods	276.08	211.88	-23.26

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