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VOLUME AND VALUE OF IMPORTED AND EXPORTED GOODS, SOCCSKSARGEN REGION: NOVEMBER 2019

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Merchandise Trade

SOCCSKSARGEN Region's export income in November 2019 was valued at US\$58,701,250.51, up by 10.0 percent from US\$53,355,026 in November 2018. Total volume of export goods weighed 58,701,250.51 kilograms during the month under review from 45160738.75 kilograms recorded in the same month of the previous year.

In November 2019, import expenditures more than doubled (104.3%) at US\$65,321,761.00 from US\$31,972,588.00 in the same month of 2018. Imported goods reached a total of 305,444,776 kilograms from 126,476,629 kilograms in November 2018.

Table 1: Growth Rate and Value of Imported and Exported Goods,
SOCCSKSARGEN Region: October 2018 and 2019

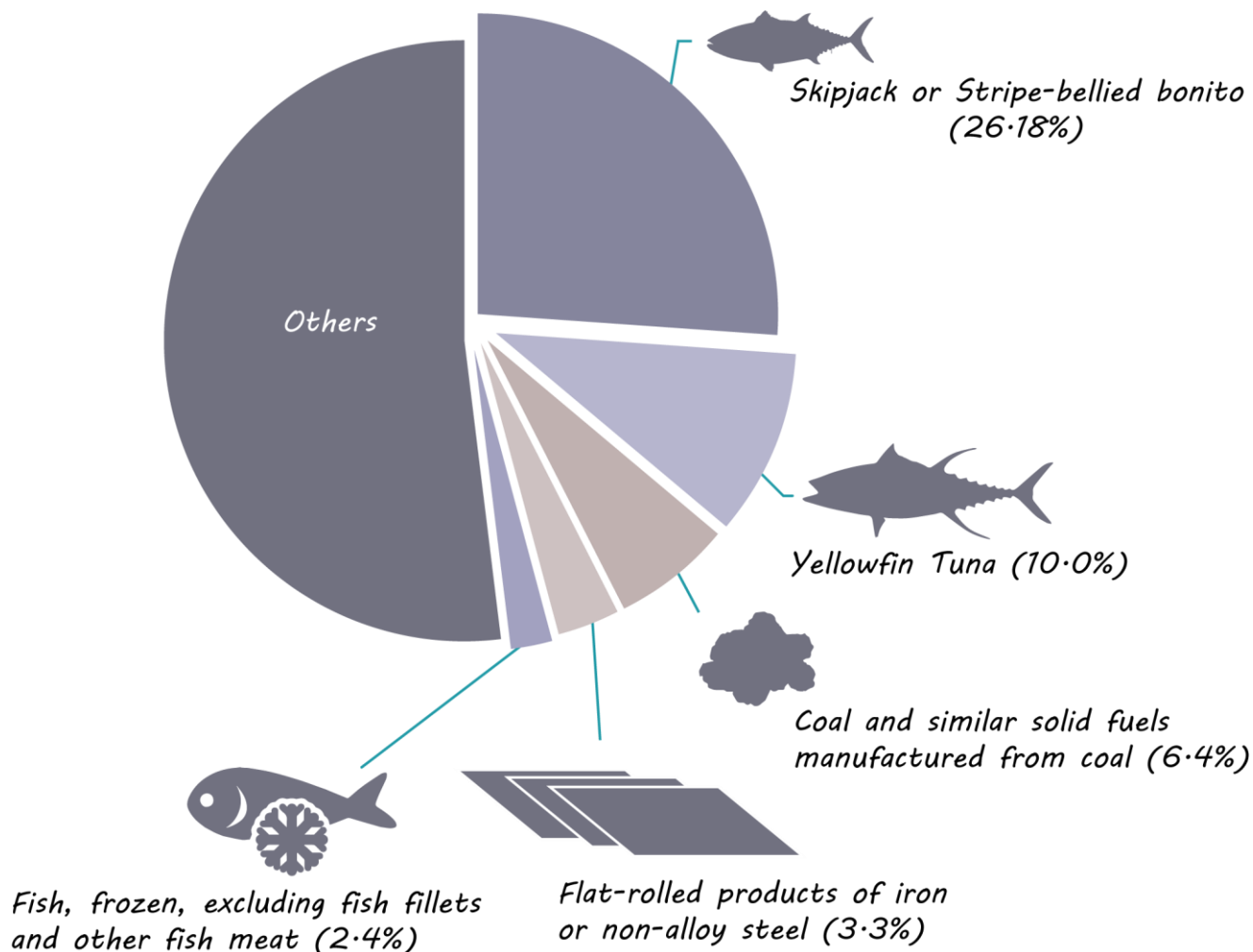
	Imports		Exports	
	November 2019	November 2018	November 2019	November 2018
Free-on-Board Value	65,321,761.00	31,972,588.00	58,701,250.51	53,355,026
Year-on-year Growth Rate	104.3		10.0	

Import Goods

In terms of Free-On-Board value, the top 5 imported commodities for the month under review comprise of *Skipjack or stripe-bellied bonito* at US\$17,098,068.00, constituting 28.2 percent; *Yellowfin Tuna (US\$6,546,274.00)*, 10.0 percent; *Coal (briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal)*, (US\$4,197,862.00), 6.4 percent; *Flat-rolled products of iron (or non-alloy steel of a width of 600 mm or more, clad, plated or coated)*, *Flat-rolled products of iron (US\$2,176,053.00)*, 3.3 percent; and *Fish (excluding fish fillets and other fish meat)*, (US\$1,546,419.00), 2.4 percent.



Figure 1: Distribution of Top Five (5) Imported Commodities Based on FOB Value, SOCCSKSARGEN Region: November 2019



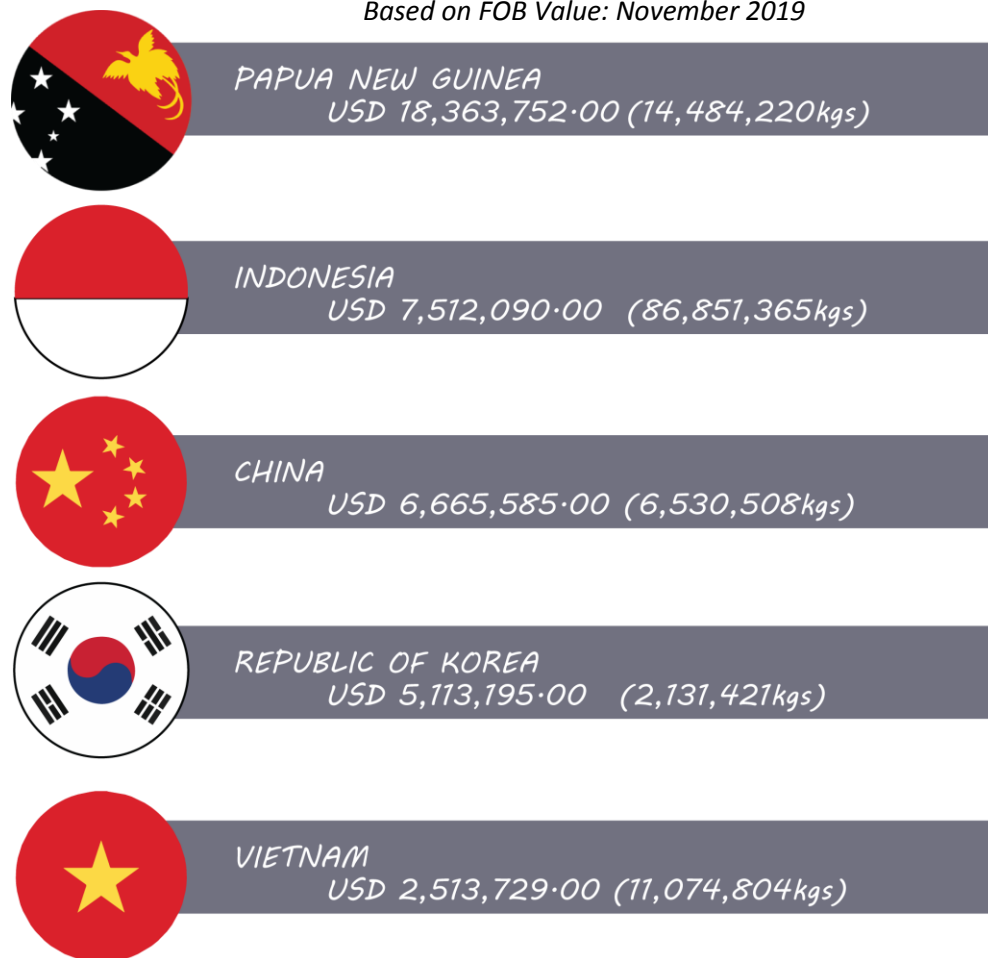
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

The top 5 imported commodities based on volume include *Coal (briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal)*, (84,984,626 kilograms); *Salt (including table salt and denatured salt)*, (15,000,000 kilograms); *Skipjack or stripe-bellied bonito*, (14,232,547 kilograms); *Pozzolan cement and blended pozzolan cement*, (8,022,500 kilograms); and *Yellowfin Tuna*, (4,417,669 kilograms).

Papua New Guinea accounted for 6.2 percent of the total value of goods imported by SOCCSKSARGEN Region at US\$18,363,752 in November 2019. It was followed by Indonesia at US\$7,512,090; China, US\$6,665,585; Korea, US\$5,113,195; and Vietnam, US\$2,513,729.

The top import goods from *Papua New Guinea* in terms of value include *Skipjack or stripe-bellied bonito* and *Yellowfin Tuna*. From *Indonesia*, *Coal, briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal*; *China*, *Prepared or preserved fish; caviar and caviar substitutes prepared from fish eggs*; *South Korea*, *Top ends of aluminum cans*; and *Vietnam*, *Pozzolan cement and blended pozzolan cement*.

Figure 2: Top Five (5) Source Countries for SOCCSKSARGEN Region's Imports,
Based on FOB Value: November 2019

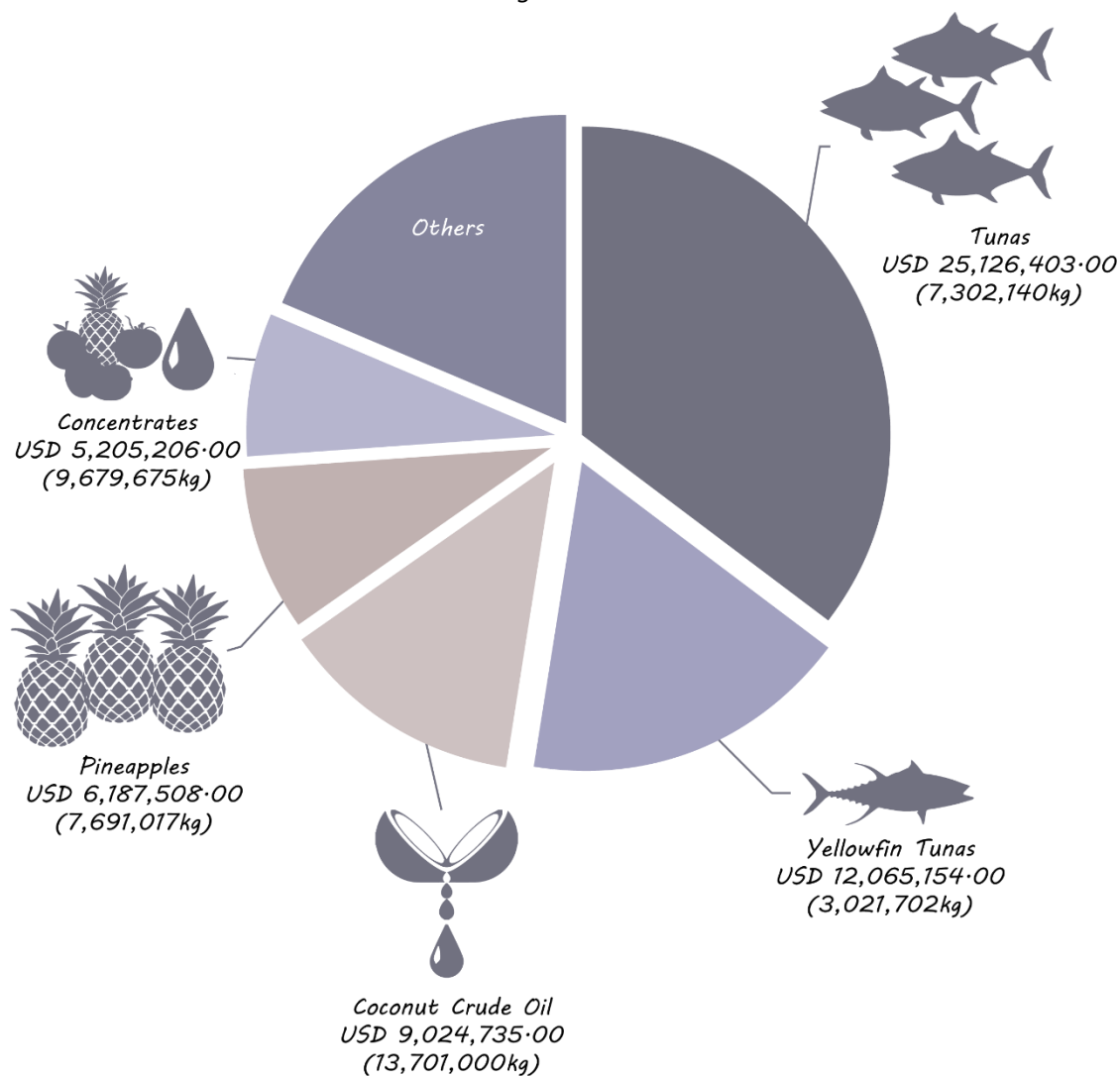


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Export Goods

The top 5 export commodities in terms of FOB value comprised of *Tunas (in airtight containers)*, *Yellowfin tuna (include frozen and excludes fish fillets)*, *Crude Oil (coconut [copra], palm kernel or babassu oil and fractions thereof, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified)*, *Pineapples and Concentrates (fruit juices, unfermented and not containing spirit, whether or not containing added sugar other sweetening matter)*. Export sales for *Tuna* was recorded at US\$25,126,403 with a gross weight of 7,302,140 kilograms. It was followed by *Yellowfin Tunas* at US\$12,065,154.00; *Crude Oil*, US\$9,024,735.00; *Pineapples*, US\$6,187,508.00; and *Concentrates*, US\$5,205,206.00.

Figure 3: Distribution of Top Five (5) Exported Commodities Based on FOB Value
SOCCKSARGEN Region: November 2019

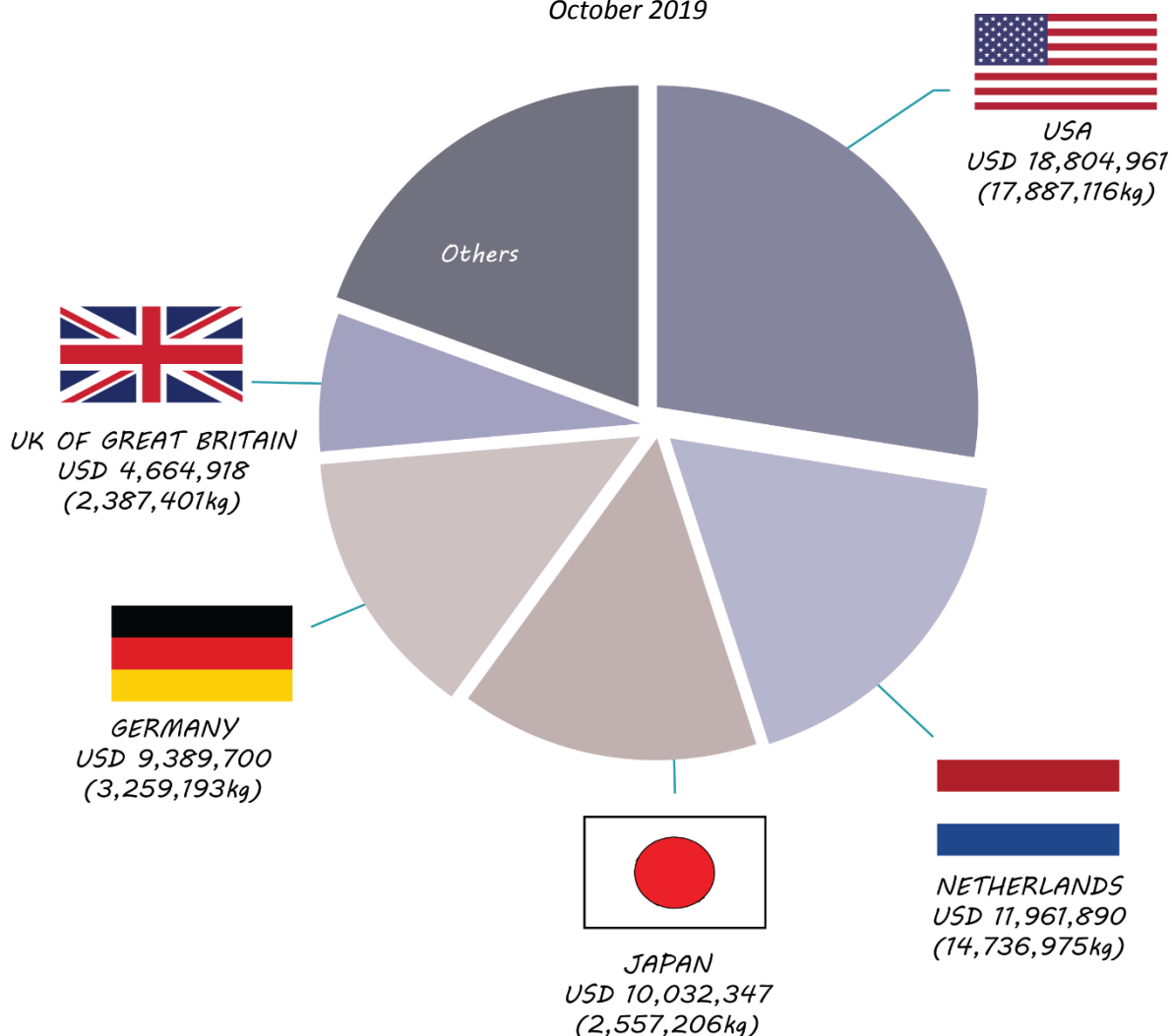


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The United States of America (USA) is the top destination of SOCCSKSARGEN Region’s export commodities at US\$18,804,961 weighing 17,887,116 kilograms. It was followed by the Netherlands at US\$11,961,890; Japan, US\$10,032,347; Germany, US\$9,389,700; and United Kingdom (UK), US\$4,664,918.

The top commodities exported to USA include Fruit and Vegetable Juices (Concentrates), Pineapples, and Coconut Concentrates. In Netherlands, Coconut Crude Oil; Japan, Tunas; Germany; Pineapples; and UK, Coconut Concentrates.

Figure 4: Top Five (5) Destination Countries for SOCCSKSARGEN Region’s Exports Based on FOB Value October 2019



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



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