

Market Brief on Uganda

Location



Uganda is a landlocked country in East Africa. It is bordered to the East by Kenya, to the north by South Sudan, to the west by the democratic Republic of Congo and to the South by Tanzania. Uganda takes its name from Buganda kingdom, which encompasses a large portion of the south of the country, including the Capital Kampala.

Cities and Population

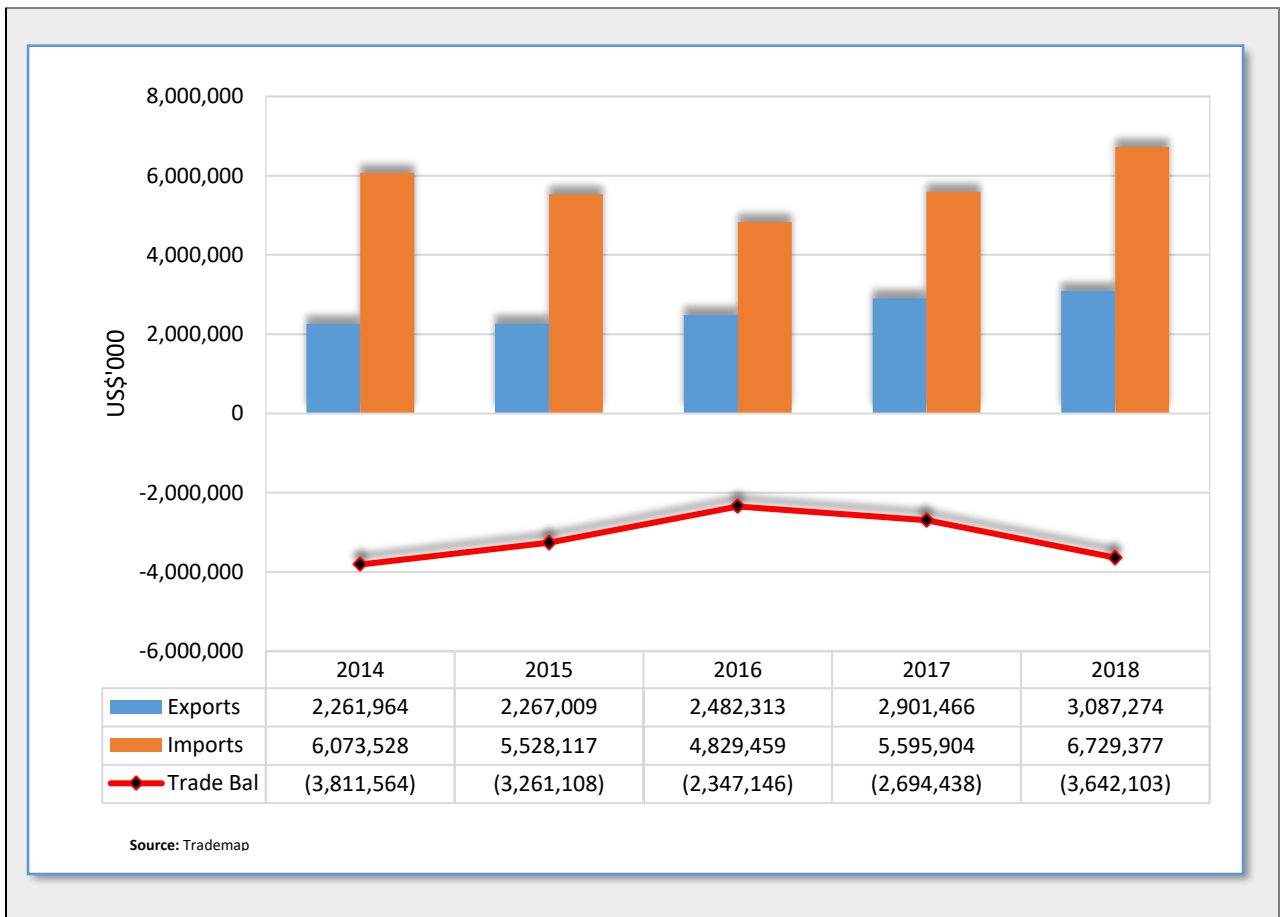
Major Cities	Population
Kampala	1,507,114
Nansana	365,857
Kira	317,428
Makindye Ssabagalo	282,664
Mbarara	195,160
Mukono	162,744
Gulu	149,802
Lugazi	114,163
Kasese	103,293
Masaka	101,557

Facts and Figures

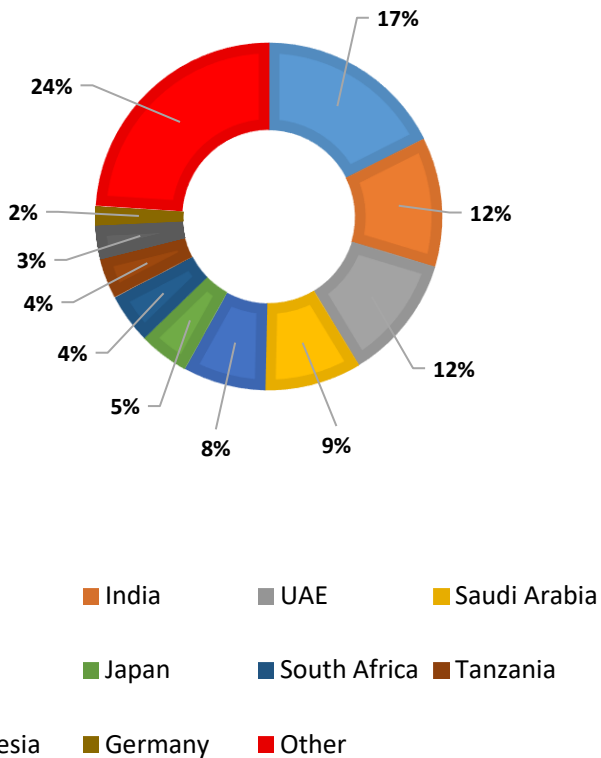


Total Population	42,862,958
Area	241 038sq.km
Time Zone	+3 hr GMT
Capital City	Kampala
Telephone Code	+256
Currency	Ugandan Shillings
Exchange Rate (14/06/19)	1 USD = 3,745.01 UGX
GDP (2018 Est)	US\$27.6 billion
GDP per capita (2018 Est)	US\$653.20
GDP Growth Rate (2017 Est)	5.5%
Ease of Doing Business (World Bank 2019 Report)	127/190
Inflation Rate (2018 Est)	5.1%
Official Language(s)	English, Swahili
Business Hours	0800am-1700pm Monday to Friday
Banking Hours	0830am-1700pm Mon to Friday; 0900am-1700pm Saturday
Literacy Rate	78.4%
Important International Participation	AU, WTO, UN, COMESA
Major Banks	Stanbic Bank, DFCU Bank, Centenary Bank, Standard Chartered Bank, Barclays Bank of Uganda, Bank of Baroda Uganda Limited, Citibank Uganda.
Telecommunication Network Operators	MTN, Airtel, Africell UT Mobile, Essar Smart Telecom

Uganda Trade with the World

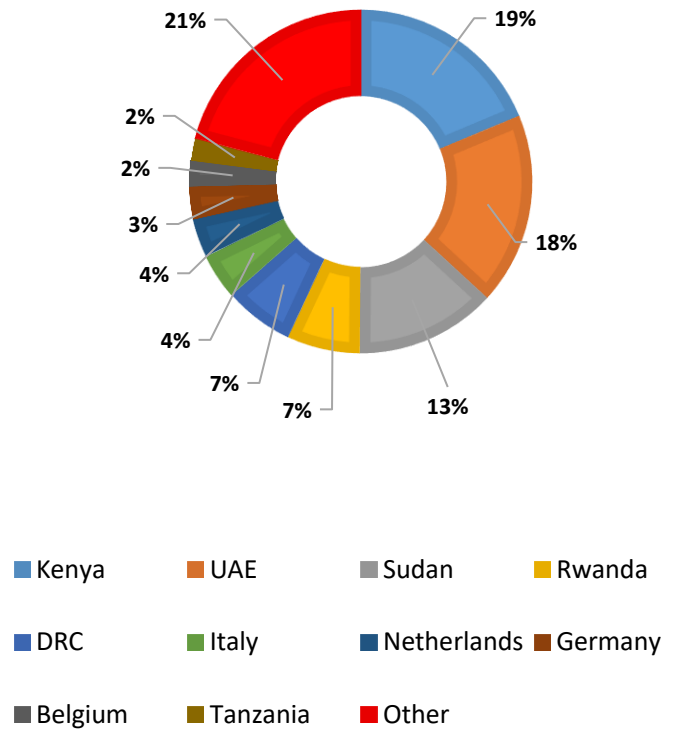


Major import sources of Uganda (2018)



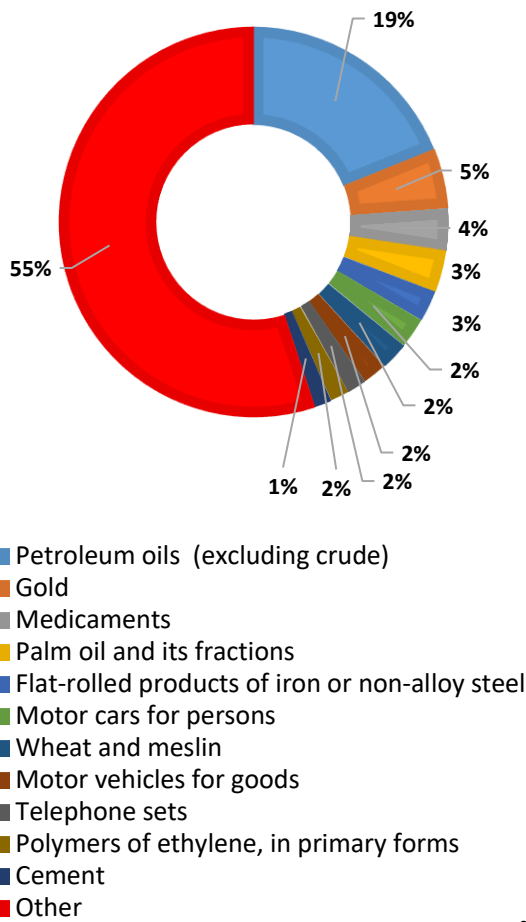
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Major export destinations of Uganda (2018)



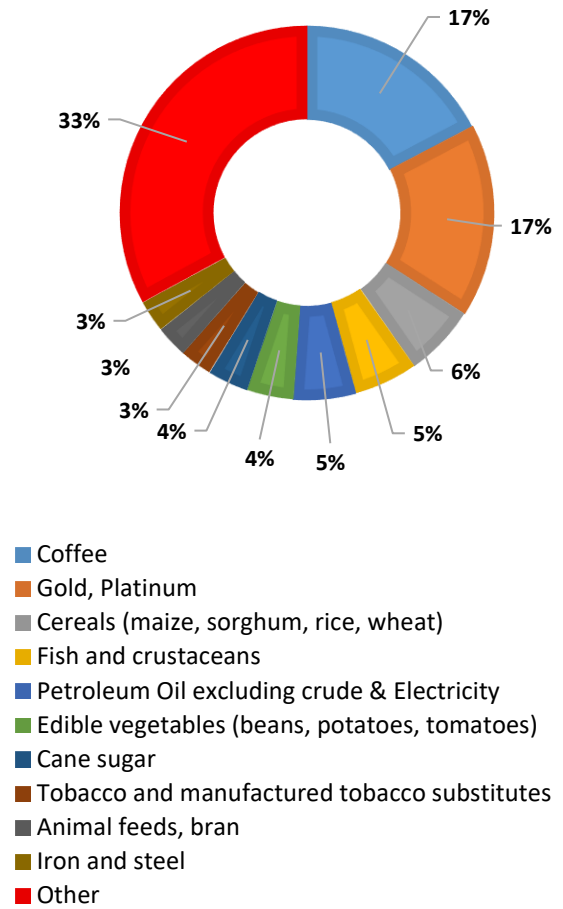
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Major import products of Uganda (2018)



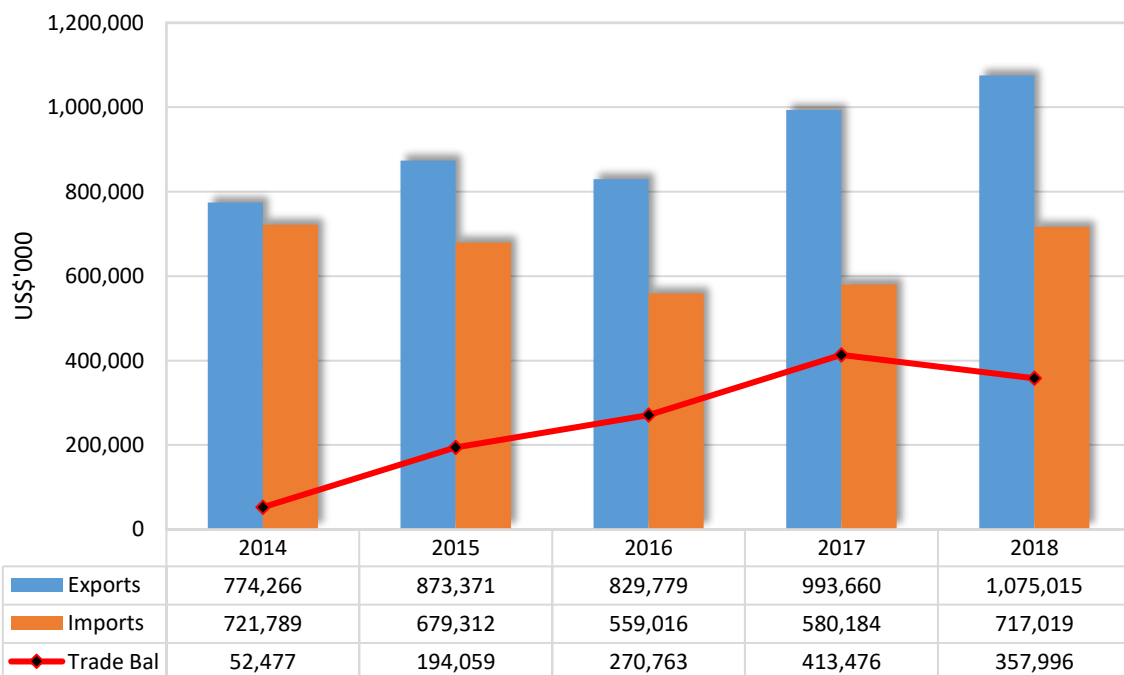
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Major Export products of Uganda (2018)



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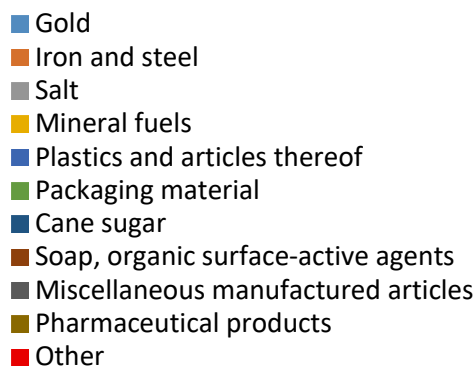
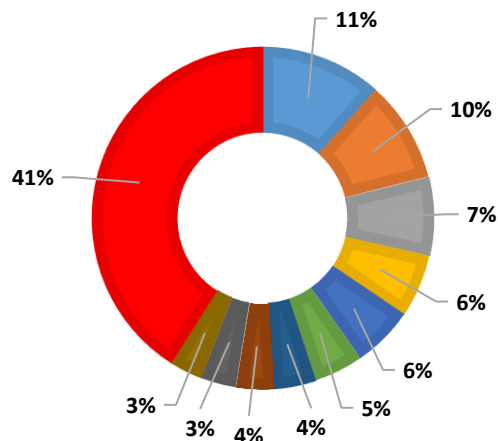
Uganda Trade with COMESA



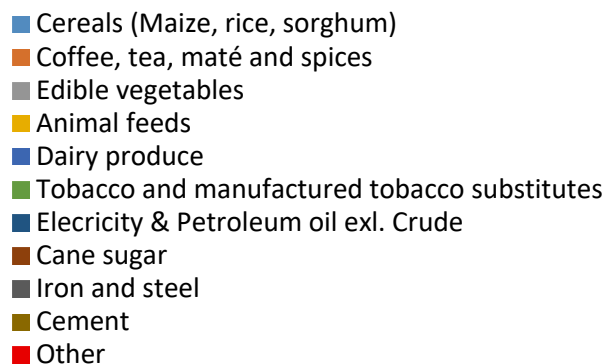
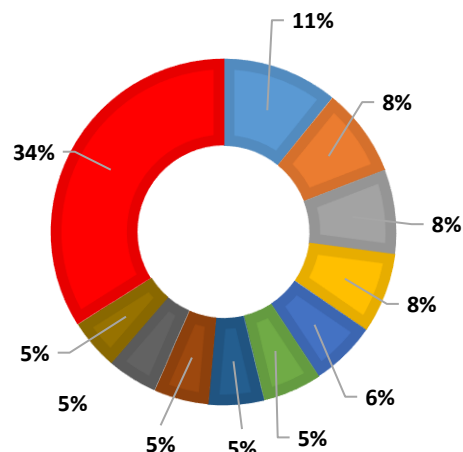
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Major import products from COMESA (2018)

Major Export products to COMESA (2018)



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COMESA Products with export potential to Uganda

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmaceutical products • Cement • Soap • Paper and paperboard, articles of pulp, paper and board • Tobacco • Structures and products of iron & steel (rods, angle, plates including door and window frames) • Machinery parts • Mixtures of odoriferous substances used food & drink • Footwear • Beer made from malt • Margarine | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemical fertilizers • Paraffin wax • Packaging materials (paper & plastic) • Baking powders • Insecticides, rodenticides, fungicides, herbicides • Disodium carbonates • Silicates of Sodium • Chewing gum • Oilcake of cotton seeds • Vegetable seeds for sowing • Ball point pens |
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Uganda Products with export potential to COMESA

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iron and steel products • Cement • Odoriferous substances • Diesel powered trucks • Maize seed • Tea • Sorghum • Shelled beans | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coffee • Milk and cream • Rice • Cereal flours • Bran • Medicaments |
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Preferential Trade Arrangements

COMESA Free Trade Area

The Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) is a regional integration grouping of African States which have agreed to promote regional integration through trade development and to develop their natural and human resources for the mutual benefit of all their peoples.

Qualifying goods originating from COMESA Member States enjoy duty free/reduced duty access to the Uganda market.