🇩🇯 Djibouti: trade brief

Customs figures for 2025 and 2026 to date; products for 2024; long-run totals. Prepared 2026-11-15.

Djibouti exported **$5.4B** of goods and imported **$4.6B** in 2025, a trade surplus of **$778M**. Its largest export market was Ethiopia (86.8% of exports) and its largest supplier was China (21.9% of imports).

#119
largest exporter of 202 economies, and #143 importer
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87%
of exports go to 🇪🇹 Ethiopia, the largest market

93%
of exports go to just three markets, out of 85

+778M
trade surplus: exports pay for 117% of imports

+40.4%
change in exports on 2024: $3.9B then, $5.4B in 2025

22%
of imports come from 🇨🇳 China, the largest supplier

Djibouti in 2025 and 2026: the latest figures

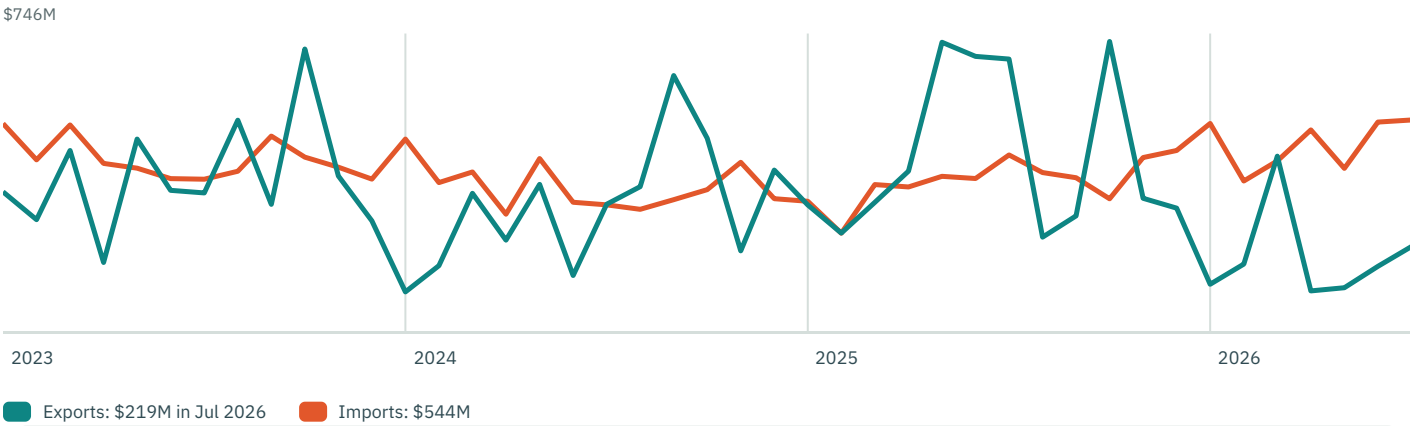
Monthly customs figures in US dollars from the IMF's trade-by-partner database. The newest month is Jul 2026.

$5.4B
Exports, 2025 **+40.4%** on 2024

$4.6B
Imports, 2025 **+3.5%** on 2024

$1.4B
Exports, Jan–Jul 2026 **−61.1%** on the same months of 2025

$3.4B
Imports, Jan–Jul 2026 **+30.8%** on the same months of 2025



Period	Exports	Imports	Balance
2026 (Jan–Jul)	$1.4B	$3.4B	−2.0B
2025	$5.4B	$4.6B	+778M
2024	$3.9B	$4.5B	−626M
2023	$4.8B	$5.3B	−536M
2022	$4.6B	$5.1B	−506M

Largest export markets in 2025 and 2026 so far

Export market	2025	Change on 2024	Share	Jan–Jul 2026	Change on Jan–Jul 2025
Ethiopia †	$4.7B	+47.3%	86.8%	$653M	−78.5%
France †	$211M	+0.1%	3.9%	$123M	+0.1%
United Arab Emirates †	$150M	+0.0%	2.8%	$88M	+0.0%
United States †	$79M	+19.6%	1.5%	$171M	+193.4%
Somalia, Fed. Rep. †	$58M	+44.4%	1.1%	$94M	+149.2%
Yemen, Rep. †	$56M	+17.6%	1.0%	$79M	+114.7%
Nigeria †	$48M	+6.8%	0.9%	$26M	−10.5%
China †	$20M	+3.5%	0.4%	$40M	+310.8%
Oman †	$15M	+44.3%	0.3%	$24M	+149.4%
Canada †	$13M	−33.4%	0.2%	$6M	−16.8%

Largest suppliers in 2025 and 2026 so far

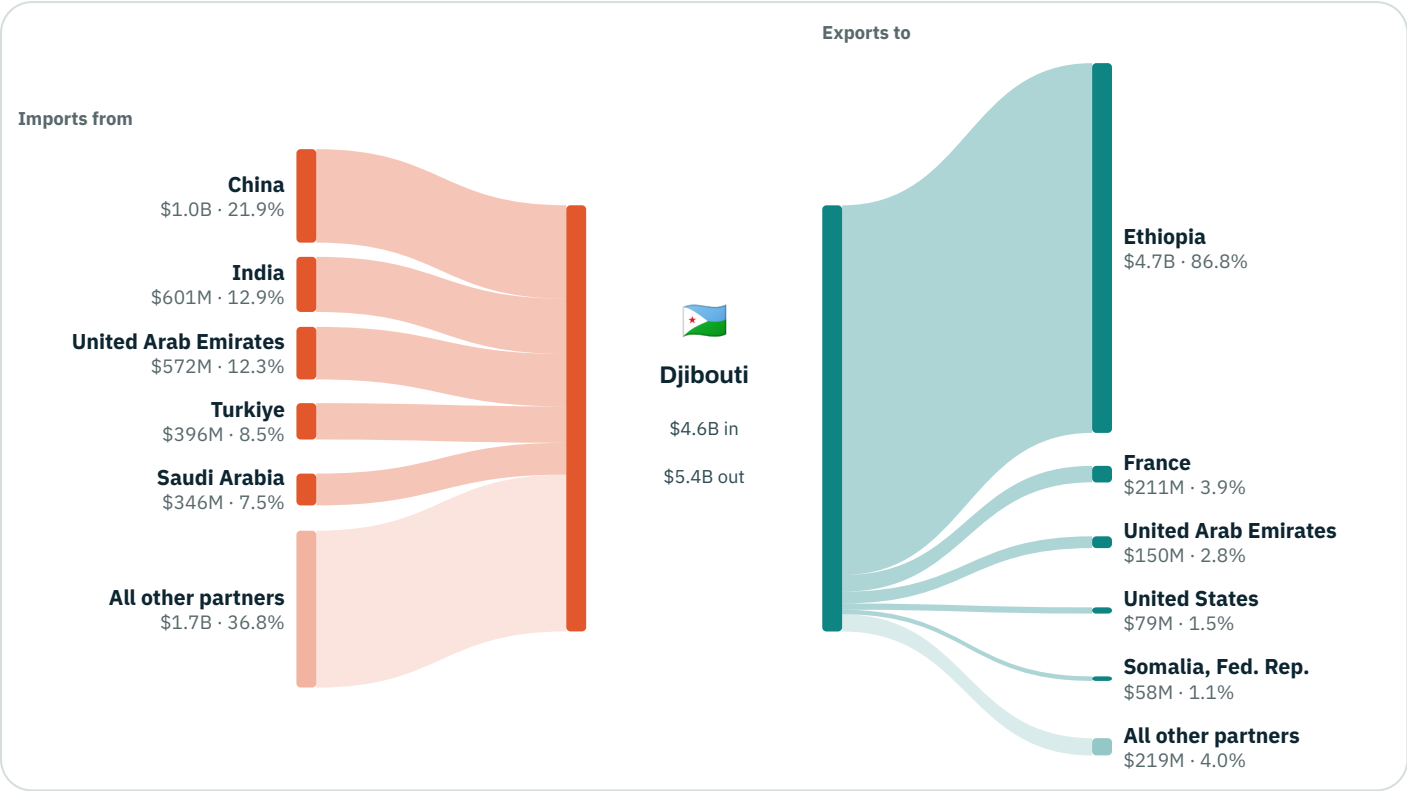
Supplier	2025	Change on 2024	Share	Jan–Jul 2026	Change on Jan–Jul 2025
China †	$1.0B	+26.7%	21.9%	$763M	+37.8%
India †	$601M	−3.4%	13.0%	$322M	−2.0%
United Arab Emirates †	$572M	+25.4%	12.3%	$396M	+33.9%
Turkiye †	$396M	+0.2%	8.5%	$324M	+31.4%
Saudi Arabia †	$346M	−20.4%	7.5%	$351M	+59.5%
Indonesia †	$240M	+19.1%	5.2%	$190M	+34.0%
Japan †	$219M	−15.8%	4.7%	$160M	+2.9%
Oman †	$140M	−19.5%	3.0%	$94M	+29.3%
Ethiopia †	$130M	+24.3%	2.8%	$89M	+33.3%
Egypt †	$124M	−39.6%	2.7%	$39M	−57.7%

† Djibouti had not yet reported this flow, so the IMF derived it from the partner's own records. Treat these as provisional.

Source: International Monetary Fund, International Trade in Goods by partner country, retrieved 2026-11-15. The IMF collects each economy's national customs figures and converts them to US dollars at the average exchange rate of the month the goods moved. Imports include freight and insurance; exports do not. The product and partner sections further down use BACI's reconciled figures for 2024, which can differ noticeably for the same year, so compare like with like.

Where Djibouti's goods come from, and where they go

The five largest suppliers and the five largest markets in 2025. Ribbon width is in proportion to value within each side.



What Djibouti exports, 2024

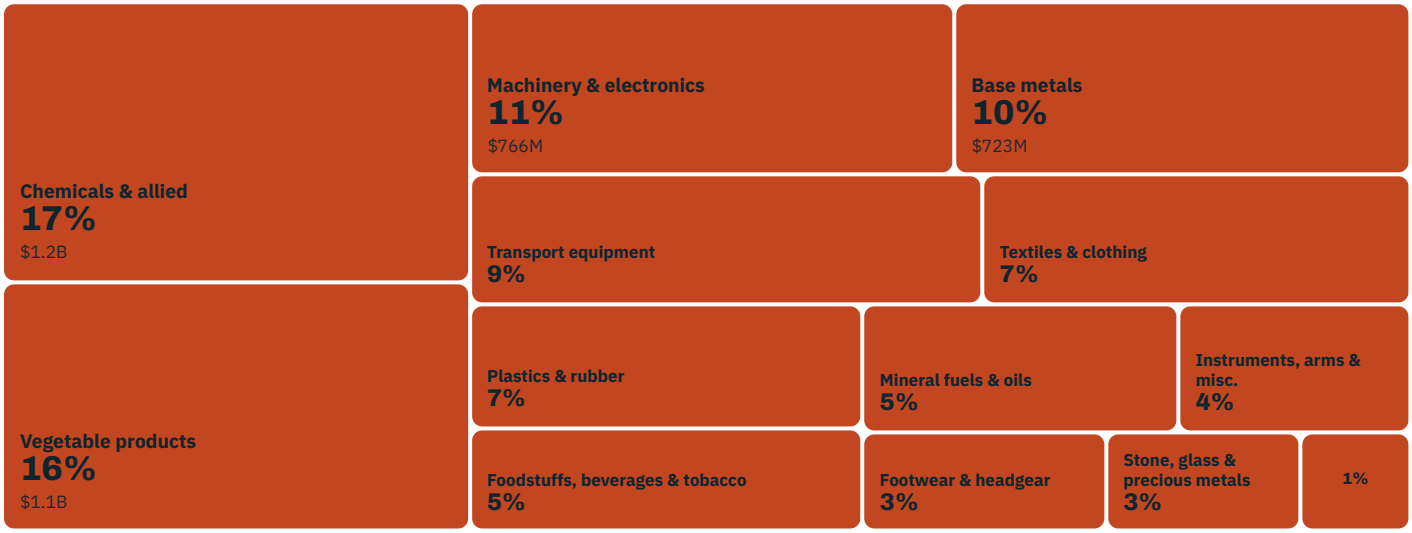


Reconciled figures (BACI): exports of $193M on that basis. 2024 is the newest year with product detail for every economy.

Largest export products

Product	2024	Share
Sheep; live `0104.10`	$82M	42.5%
Bromides; of sodium or of potassium `2827.51`	$33M	16.9%
Coffee; not roasted or decaffeinated `0901.11`	$11M	5.7%
Oil seeds; sesamum seeds, whether or not broken `1207.40`	$8M	4.2%
Mammals; live, camels and other camelids (Camelidae) `0106.13`	$8M	4.2%
Bovine animals; live, other than cattle and buffalo `0102.90`	$8M	4.0%
Cattle; live, other than pure-bred breeding animals `0102.29`	$6M	3.1%
Waste and scrap of lead-acid accumulators; spent... `8549.11`	$5M	2.4%

What Djibouti imports, 2024



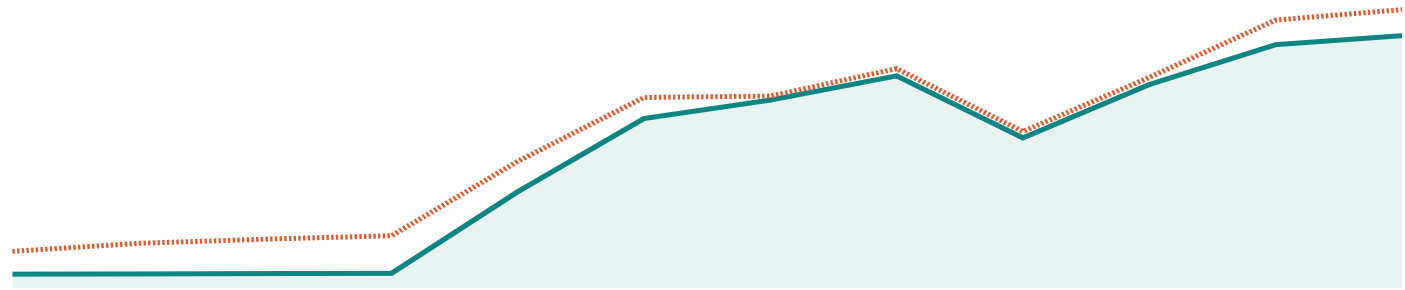
Reconciled figures (BACI): imports of $6.9B on that basis.

Largest import products

Product	2024	Share
Fertilizers, mineral or chemical; containing the two... `3105.59`	$820M	11.9%
Vegetable oils; palm oil and its fractions, other than... `1511.90`	$505M	7.3%
Petroleum oils and oils from bituminous minerals, not... `2710.00`	$335M	4.9%
Vegetable oils; sunflower seed or safflower oil and their... `1512.19`	$229M	3.3%
Sugars; sucrose, chemically pure, in solid form, not... `1701.99`	$193M	2.8%
Vehicles; with only compression-ignition internal... `8704.23`	$171M	2.5%
Footwear; n.e.c. in heading no. 6402, (other than just... `6402.99`	$139M	2.0%
Vehicles; with only electric motor for propulsion `8703.80`	$113M	1.6%

Djibouti's trade over the long run

Merchandise exports and imports, World Bank series, current US dollars.



Exports Imports 2012–2023

Sources and method

- **2024 products:** BACI (CEPII), which reconciles what exporters and importers each reported to UN Comtrade, six-digit HS, current US dollars.
- **Totals and partners, latest year and current year:** International Monetary Fund, International Trade in Goods by partner country: each economy's own monthly customs figures, converted to US dollars at the average exchange rate of each month. Values marked † were derived by the IMF from partners' records because the economy had not yet reported.
- **Long-run totals:** World Bank, merchandise exports and imports, current US dollars.
- The two sources use different methods and can give different totals for the same year. Compare like with like.
- Product classification: Harmonized System, © World Customs Organization.

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