🇸🇾 Syria: trade brief

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

Syria exported **$5.4B** of goods and imported **$7.7B** in 2025, a trade deficit of **$2.3B**. Its largest export market was Iraq (27.2% of exports) and its largest supplier was China (9.2% of imports).

#120
largest exporter of 202 economies, and #126 importer
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27%
of exports go to 🇮🇶 Iraq, the largest market

57%
of exports go to just three markets, out of 35

−2.3B
trade deficit: exports pay for 70% of imports

+53.9%
change in exports on 2024: $3.5B then, $5.4B in 2025

9%
of imports come from 🇨🇳 China, the largest supplier

Syria in 2025 and 2026: the latest figures

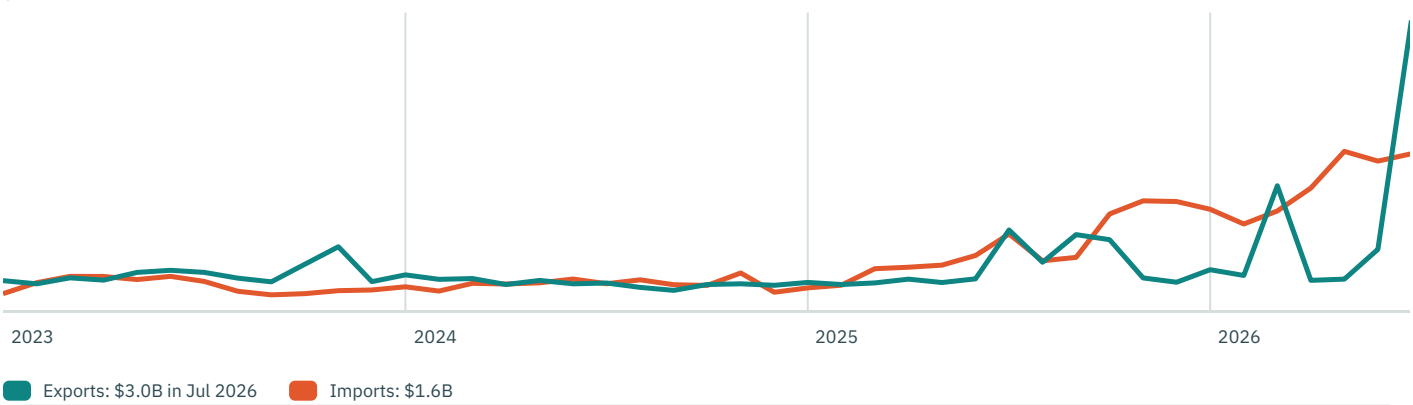
Monthly customs figures in US dollars from the IMF's trade-by-partner database. The newest month is Jul 2026.

$5.4B
Exports, 2025 **+53.9%** on 2024

$7.7B
Imports, 2025 **+126.5%** on 2024

$6.5B
Exports, Jan–Jul 2026 **+141.9%** on the same months of 2025

$9.2B
Imports, Jan–Jul 2026 **+181.8%** on the same months of 2025



Period	Exports	Imports	Balance
2026 (Jan–Jul)	$6.5B	$9.2B	−2.7B
2025	$5.4B	$7.7B	−2.3B
2024	$3.5B	$3.4B	+101M
2023	$4.6B	$3.2B	+1.4B
2022	$3.0B	$3.8B	−738M

Largest export markets in 2025 and 2026 so far

Export market	2025	Change on 2024	Share	Jan–Jul 2026	Change on Jan–Jul 2025
Iraq †	$1.5B	+59.8%	28.0%	$1.8B	+155.8%
Lebanon †	$1.1B	+59.8%	21.4%	$1.4B	+155.8%
Saudi Arabia †	$481M	+12.6%	9.2%	$348M	+23.8%
Egypt †	$471M	+59.8%	9.0%	$589M	+155.8%
Kuwait †	$281M	+59.8%	5.4%	$352M	+155.8%
United Arab Emirates †	$278M	+59.8%	5.3%	$348M	+155.8%
Jordan †	$276M	+59.8%	5.3%	$346M	+155.8%
Yemen, Rep. †	$146M	+59.8%	2.8%	$183M	+155.8%
Turkiye †	$134M	+59.8%	2.6%	$168M	+155.8%
Russia †	$87M	+59.8%	1.7%	$109M	+155.8%

Largest suppliers in 2025 and 2026 so far

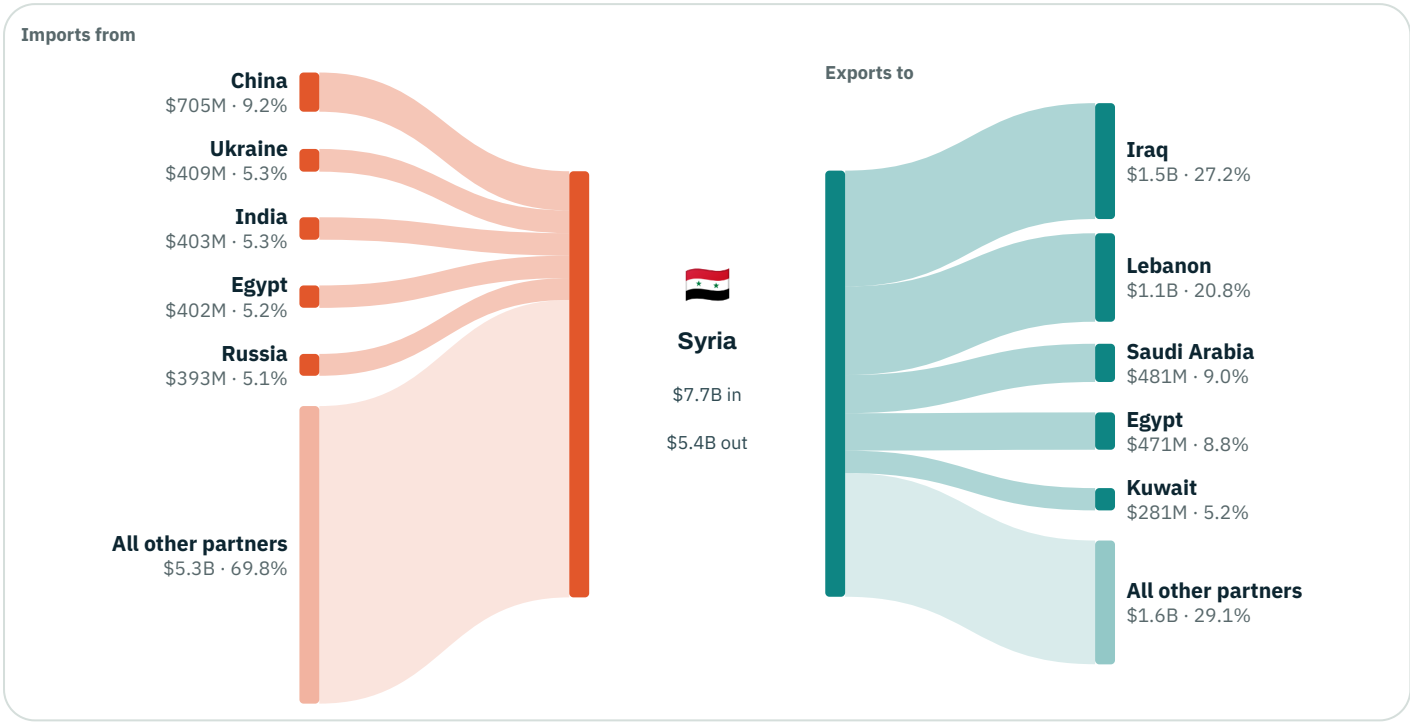
Supplier	2025	Change on 2024	Share	Jan–Jul 2026	Change on Jan–Jul 2025
China †	$705M	+129.0%	18.8%	$848M	+182.5%
Ukraine †	$409M	+129.0%	10.9%	$492M	+182.5%
India †	$403M	+129.0%	10.7%	$485M	+182.5%
Egypt †	$402M	+129.0%	10.7%	$484M	+182.5%
Russia †	$393M	+129.0%	10.5%	$473M	+182.5%
Iran †	$267M	+129.0%	7.1%	$321M	+182.5%
Lebanon †	$217M	+129.0%	5.8%	$261M	+182.5%
United Arab Emirates †	$211M	+129.0%	5.6%	$254M	+182.5%
Netherlands †	$95M	+128.9%	2.5%	$115M	+182.5%
South Korea †	$94M	+129.0%	2.5%	$113M	+182.5%

† Syria 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 Syria'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 Syria exports, 2024

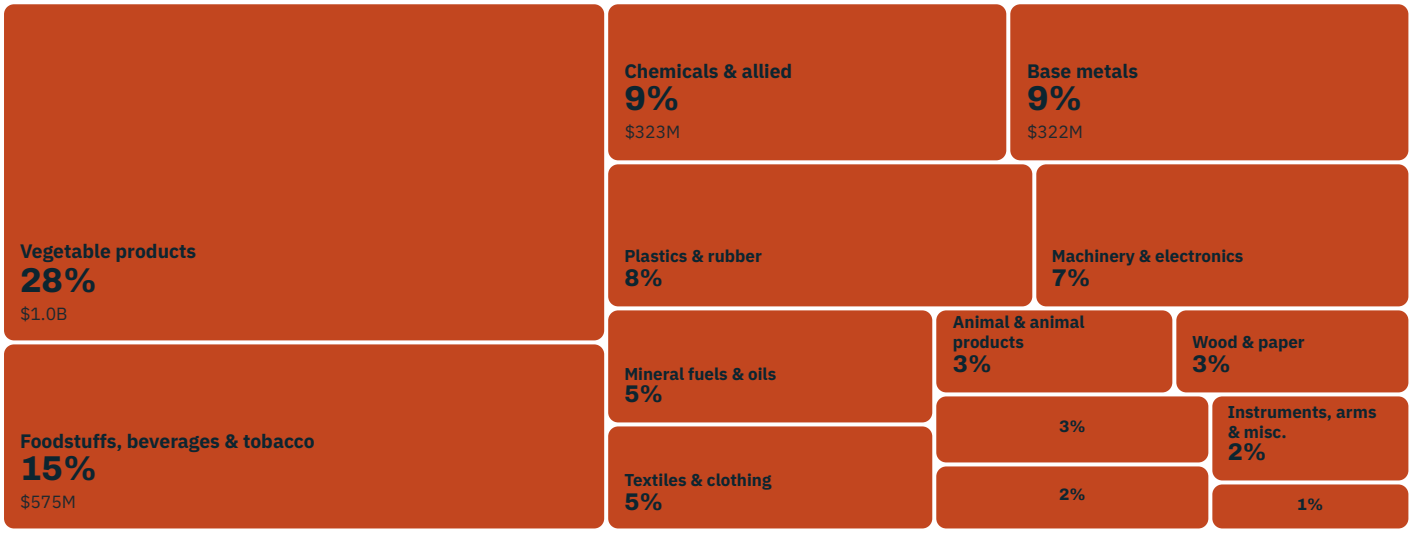


Reconciled figures (BACI): exports of $979M on that basis. 2024 is the newest year with product detail for every economy.

Largest export products

Product	2024	Share
Vegetable oils; olive oil and its fractions, extra virgin... 1509.20	$208M	21.3%
Natural calcium phosphates, natural aluminium calcium... 2510.10	$75M	7.7%
Vegetable oils; olive oil and its fractions, virgin olive... 1509.30	$71M	7.3%
Cotton; not carded or combed 5201.00	$52M	5.3%
Spices; n.e.c. in heading no. 0910 0910.99	$37M	3.8%
Nuts, edible; pistachios, fresh or dried, shelled 0802.52	$33M	3.4%
Vegetables and mixed vegetables; n.e.c. in heading no.... 0711.90	$27M	2.8%
Vegetable oils; olive oil and its fractions, virgin olive... 1509.40	$26M	2.7%

What Syria imports, 2024



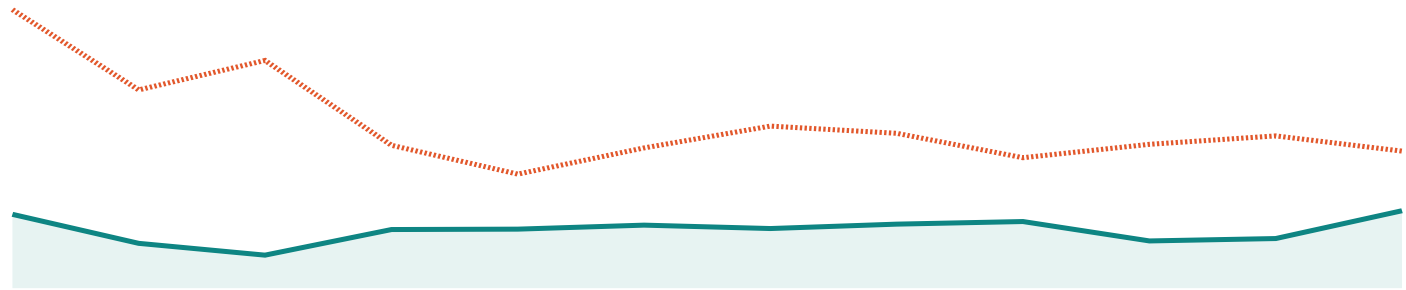
Reconciled figures (BACI): imports of $3.8B on that basis.

Largest import products

Product	2024	Share
Cereals; rice, semi-milled or wholly milled, whether or... 1006.30	$132M	3.5%
Vegetable oils; sunflower seed or safflower oil and their... 1512.19	$114M	3.0%
Wheat or meslin flour 1101.00	$104M	2.8%
Petroleum oils and oils from bituminous minerals, not... 2710.00	$94M	2.5%
Dog or cat food; (not put up for retail sale), used in... 2309.90	$91M	2.4%
Sugars; sucrose, chemically pure, in solid form, not... 1701.99	$82M	2.2%
Cement; portland, other than white, whether or not... 2523.29	$72M	1.9%
Iron or non-alloy steel; bars and rods, hot-rolled... 7214.20	$71M	1.9%

Syria'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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