

MERCHANDISE TRADE VOLUME

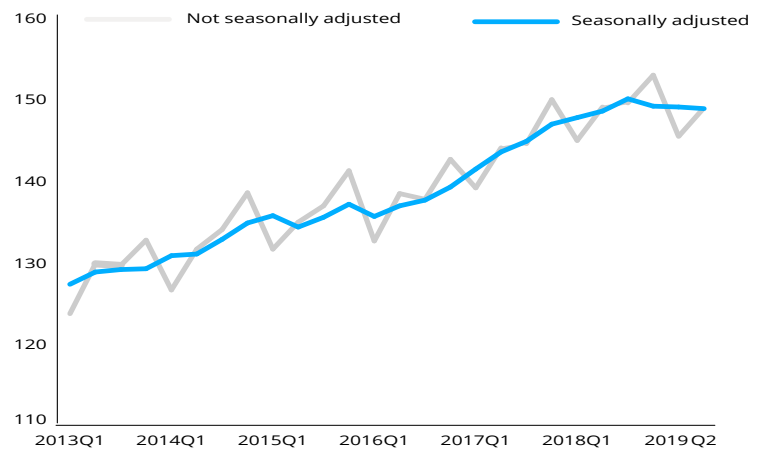
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-0.2%

World merchandise trade volumes decreased **0.2%** in the second quarter of 2019 over the previous quarter, in seasonal adjusted terms.

1. Average of exports and imports.
Source: WTO-UNCTAD

Indices, 2005=100



South and Central America and Europe reported the weakest performance of all regions in exports and imports in 2019Q2. North America's exports continued on a positive trend during 2019Q2, while imports decreased by **0.6%**. Asia's exports and imports rebounded after a weak 2019Q1.

Quarter-over-quarter growth, %, seasonally adjusted

	Exports				Imports			
	2018Q3	2018Q4	2019Q1	2019Q2	2018Q3	2018Q4	2019Q1	2019Q2
World	1.0	-0.5	-0.1	-0.2	1.2	-0.8	0.0	-0.1
North America	-0.8	-0.5	0.9	0.8	1.5	1.2	-0.8	-0.6
South & Central America ¹	3.2	1.5	-1.2	-2.8	2.3	-3.2	0.4	-1.2
Europe	0.3	-0.4	1.0	-1.2	-0.7	0.1	1.3	-1.5
Asia	1.5	-0.3	-1.1	0.6	2.7	-3.0	-1.0	1.7
Other ²	2.7	-1.6	-1.1	0.5	1.8	0.6	0.3	1.4

1. Includes the Caribbean

2. Comprise of Africa, Middle East and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)

Source: WTO-UNCTAD

Data can be retrieved in [WTO Data](#) by selecting "Merchandise export volume indices, seasonally adjusted - quarterly" and "Merchandise import volume indices, seasonally adjusted - quarterly"

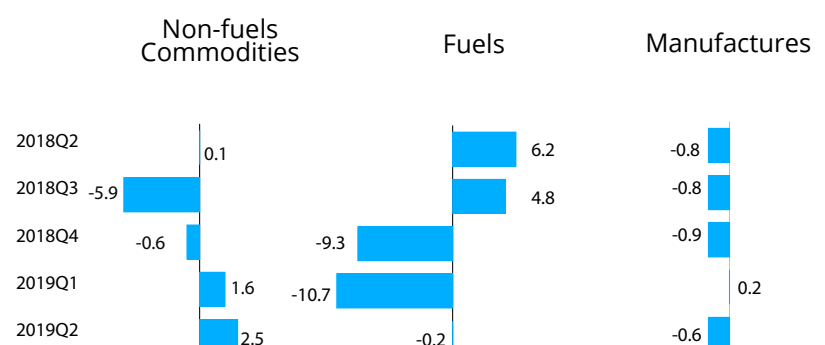
MERCHANDISE TRADE PRICES & VALUES

Fuel prices decreased slightly in 2019Q2 (**-0.2%**) after two quarters of marked reductions. Non-fuels commodities increased by **2.5%**, growing for the second consecutive quarter. Manufacture prices dipped by **0.6%**.

Data can be retrieved in [WTO Data](#) by selecting "Export and Import prices of manufacturing goods - Monthly"

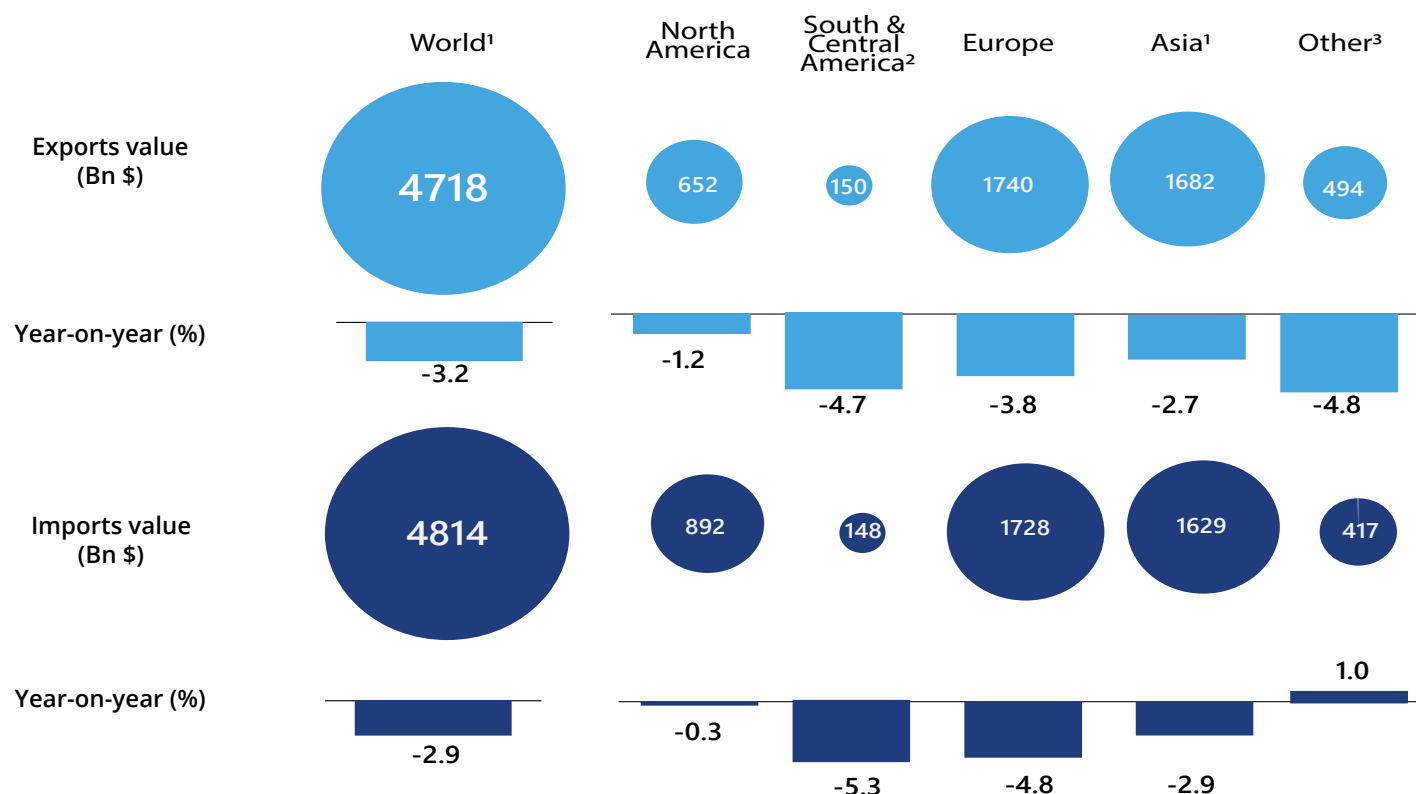
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Quarter-over-quarter growth, %



SECOND QUARTER 2019 MERCHANDISE TRADE

In value terms, world exports and imports decreased at about **3.2%** and **2.9%** in year-on-year terms. All regions saw their exports declined during 2019Q2. Imports decreased for all regions except for “Other” which reported a combined rise of **1.0%**.



1. Includes significant re-exports or imports for re-exports.

2. Includes the Caribbean

3. Comprise of Africa, Middle East and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)

Source: WTO

Data can be retrieved in [WTO Data](#) by selecting “Total merchandise exports - quarterly” and “Total merchandise imports - quarterly”

NOTES

Annualized short-term statistics may differ from the annual statistics disseminated through WTO’s online databases, publications or press releases. Data for the latest period are provisional.

1. The publication is updated with the same frequency as the data release.

Q1 Around the 20th of June

Q2 Around the 20th of September

Q3 Around the 20th of December

Q4 end-March / early April, along with the release of annual data.

2. For more information on the methodology, please refer to the [metadata](#).

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