

Morocco



Intra-Africa trade and tariff profile 2018



Morocco is a member of the Arab Maghreb Union (AMU), Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD), Pan-Arab Free Trade Area (PAFTA) and the Arab-Mediterranean Free Trade Area (AGADIR). Although Morocco's application to join the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) has been granted 'in principle' it is still awaiting final approval.

PAFTA is an FTA providing for liberalisation of trade in goods originating in and coming directly from 18 Arab countries including Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco, Sudan and Tunisia. The implementation of the FTA was completed in 2005.

Although the AMU Treaty calls for a gradual move towards the free circulation of goods no progress has been made and there is no free trade agreement in place. The Arab-Mediterranean Free Trade Area (AGADIR) provides for trade liberalisation among Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia and Jordan.

CEN-SAD currently has 24 member states. CEN-SAD was revived in 2013 with a revision of the CEN-SAD Treaty. The revised Treaty focuses on cooperation activities to foster peace, security and sustainable development and measures to adapt to climate change but has not yet entered into force, there is still no free trade agreement in place.

- CEN-SAD
- PAFTA
- AMU
- AGADIR

Main African trading partners (% of total intra-Africa trade)

- Algeria (21%)
- Egypt (15%)
- Tunisia (9%)
- Senegal (5%)
- Ivory Coast (5%)

5% of total trade is intra-Africa

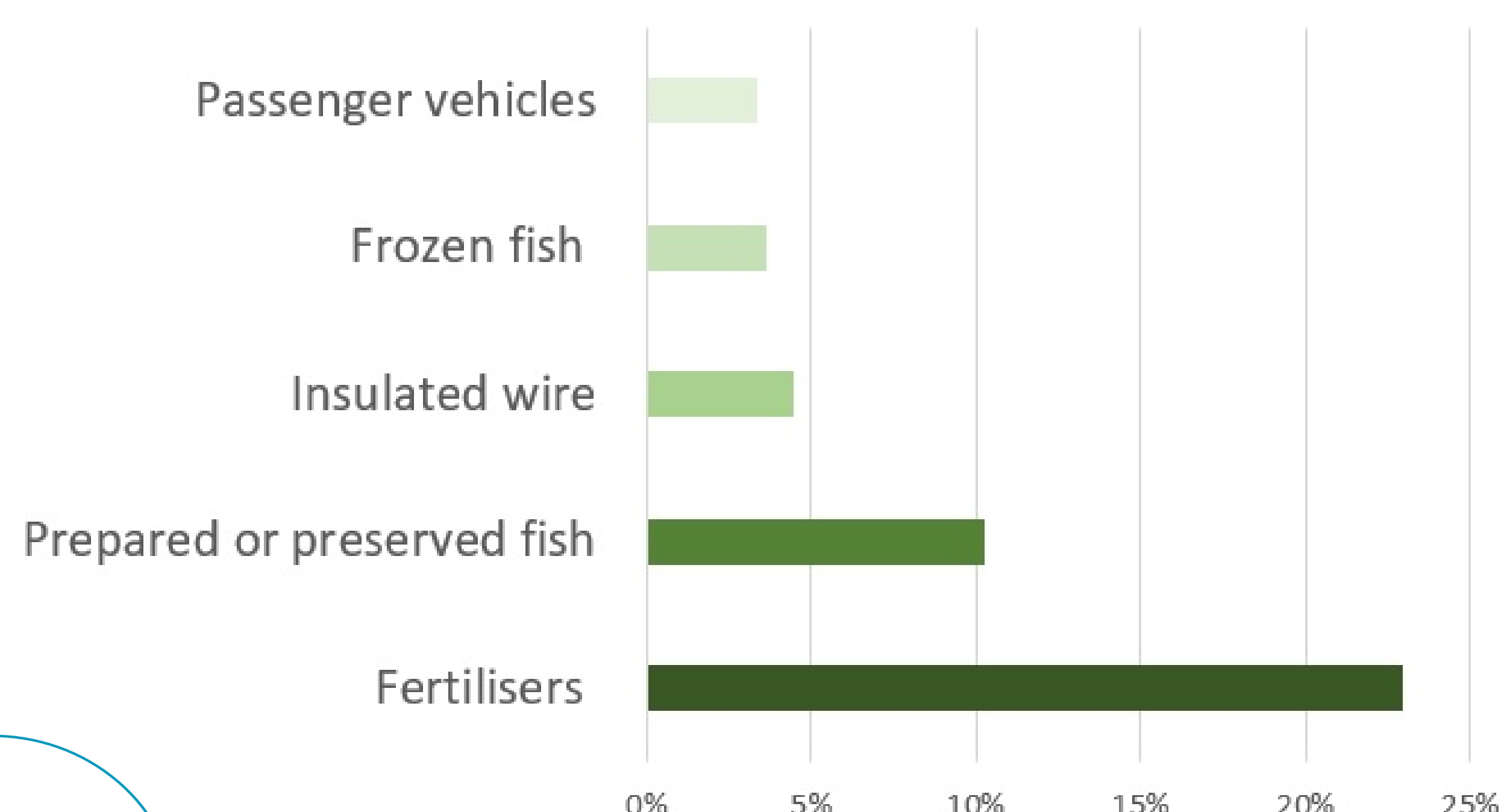
Intra-Africa exports: 8% of world exports

- Senegal (9%) ● Ivory Coast (8%)
- Mauritania (8%) ● Algeria (8%)

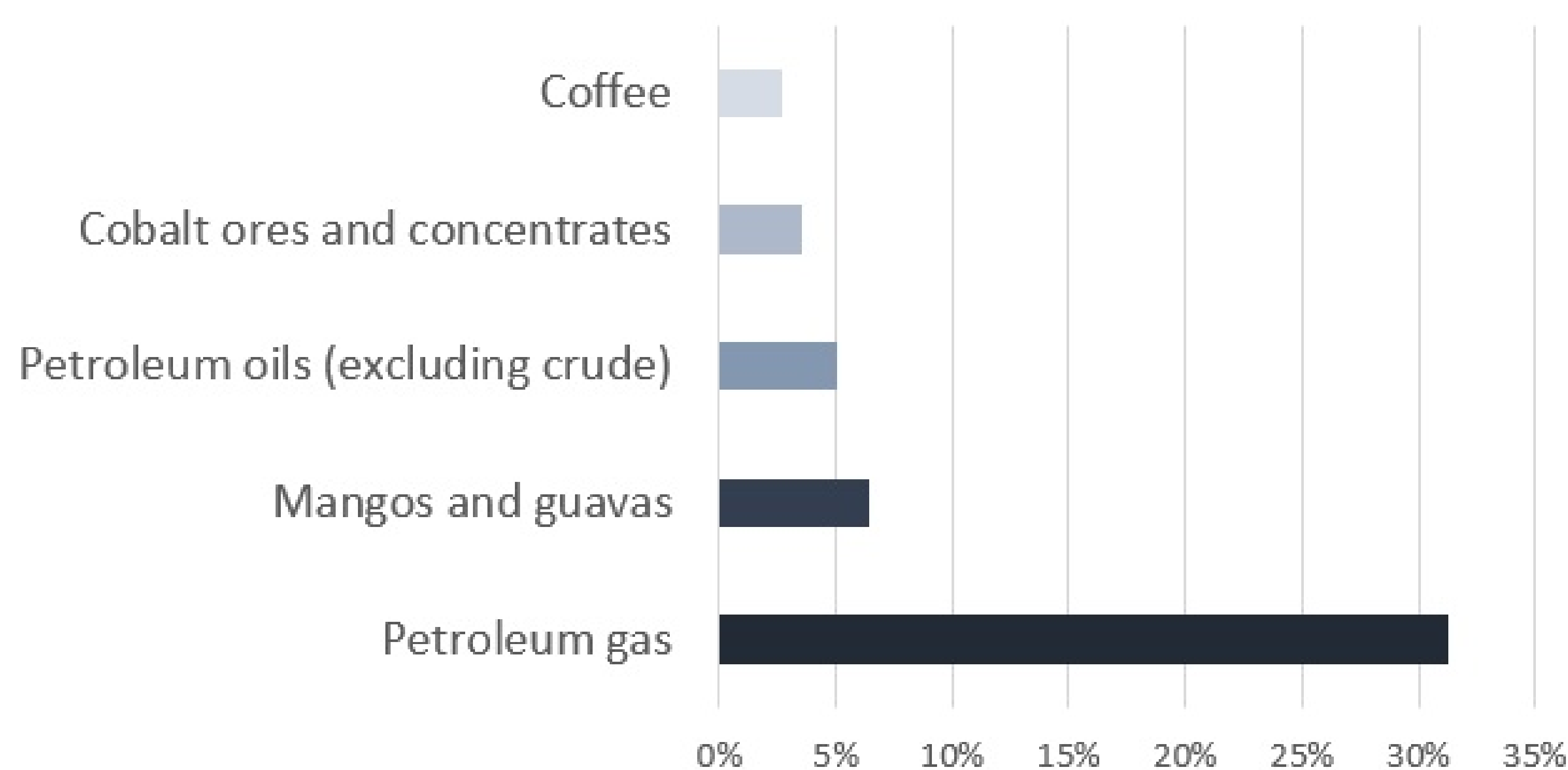
Intra-Africa imports: 4% of world imports

- Algeria (37%) ● Egypt (28%)
- Tunisia (13%) ● South Africa (4%)

Main intra-Africa export products



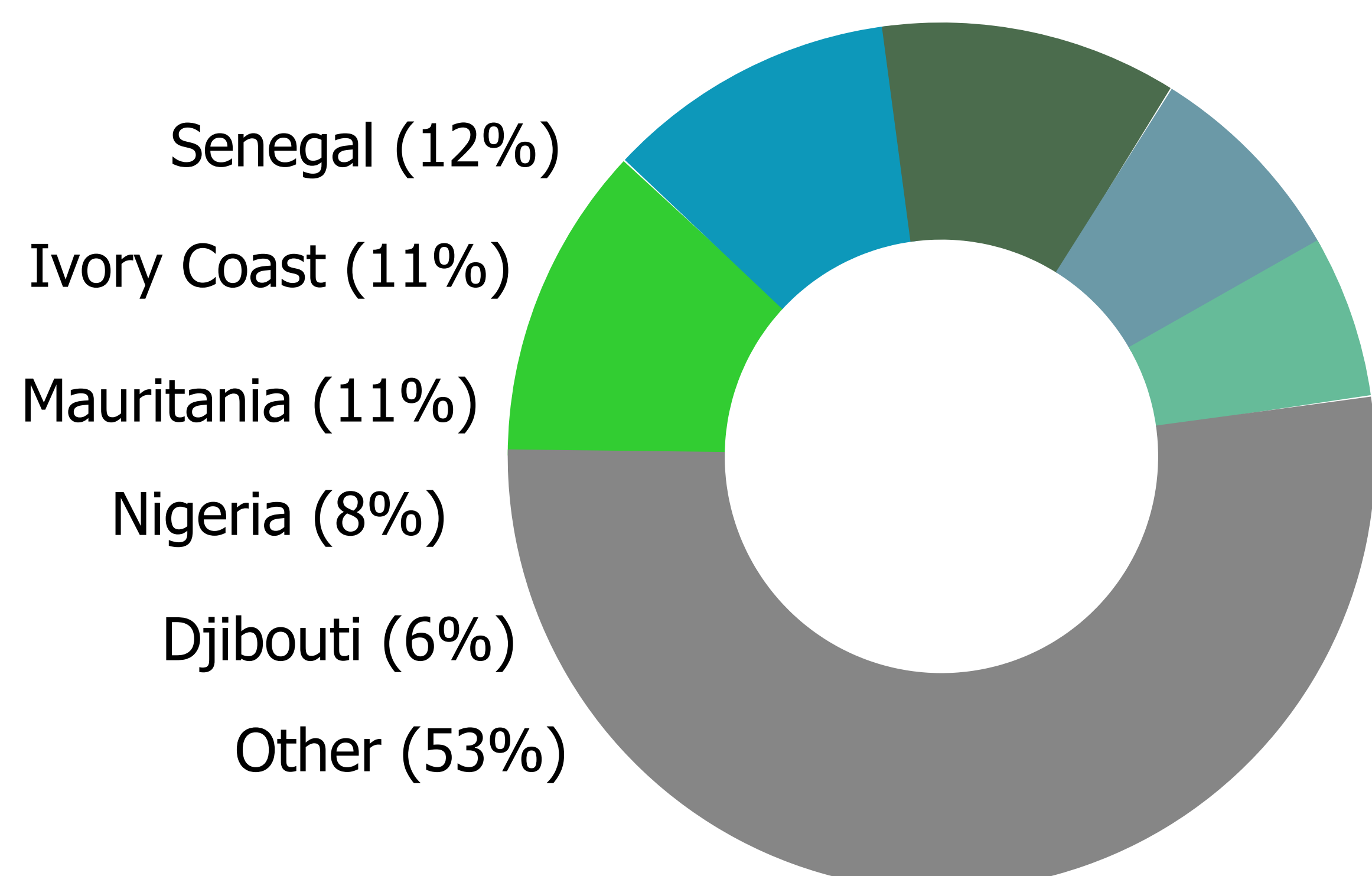
Main intra-Africa import products



78%

of intra-Africa exports are to countries outside PAFTA and AGADIR

Main destination markets



Main export products



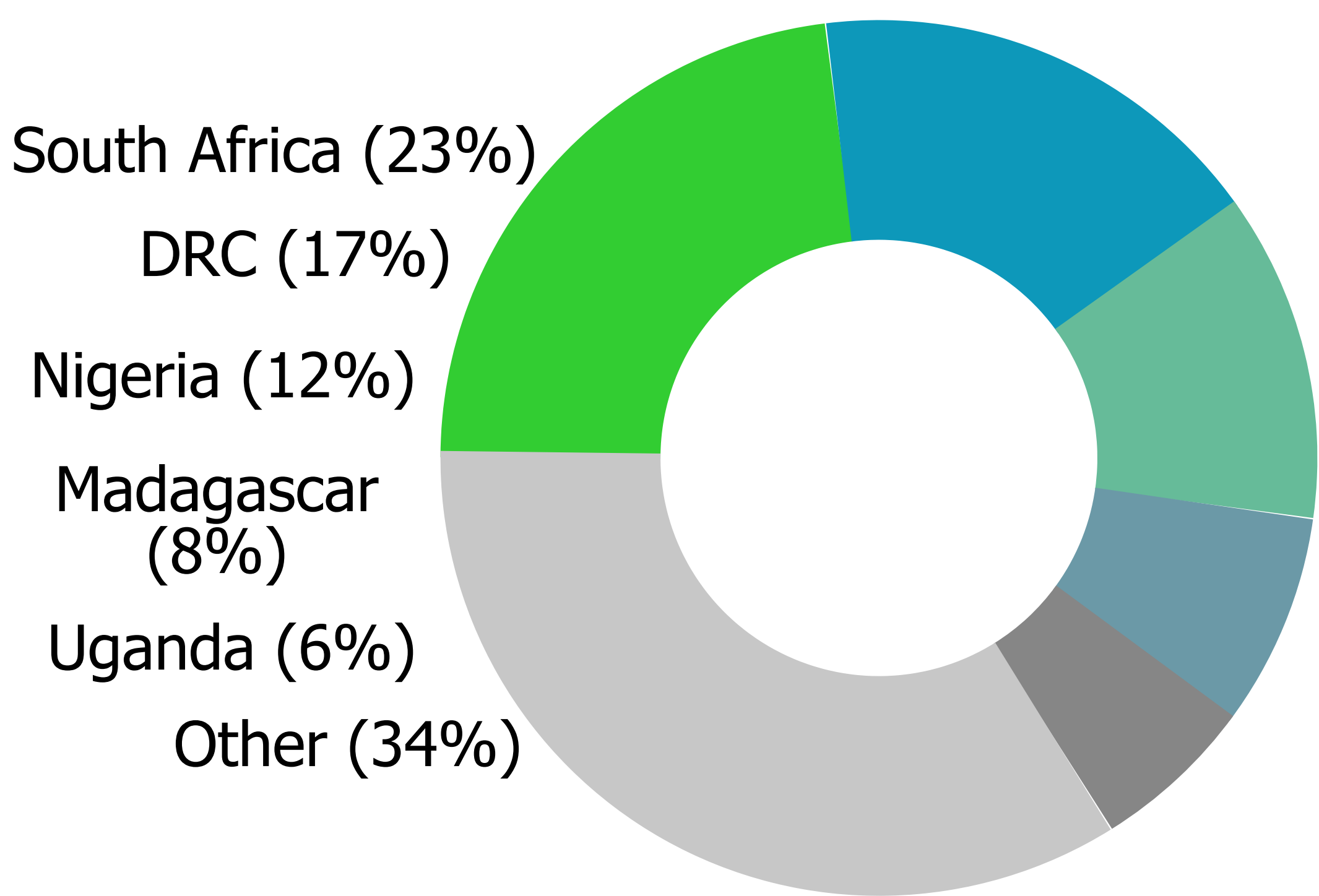
Intra-Africa tariffs

Most goods imported into Morocco from the AGADIR and PAFTA member states enter duty-free; exceptions include poultry products; yoghurt; worn clothing and new and used spark-ignition passenger vehicles with a capacity greater than 1000cc. Morocco has signed FTAs with Algeria, Egypt, Guinea, Libya, Mauritania, Senegal and Tunisia, according tariff preferences for some products. Morocco also grants unilateral preferential market access to 33 African least-developed countries for certain products. The MFN applied tariff of Morocco consists of 18 tariff bands; however, the majority of imports are levied 2.5%, 25% and 10% import duties. Only 10 tariff lines are duty-free, while wheat imports between 1 June and 31 July are levied 170% import duties and live animals, most meat and edible offal 200% import duties.

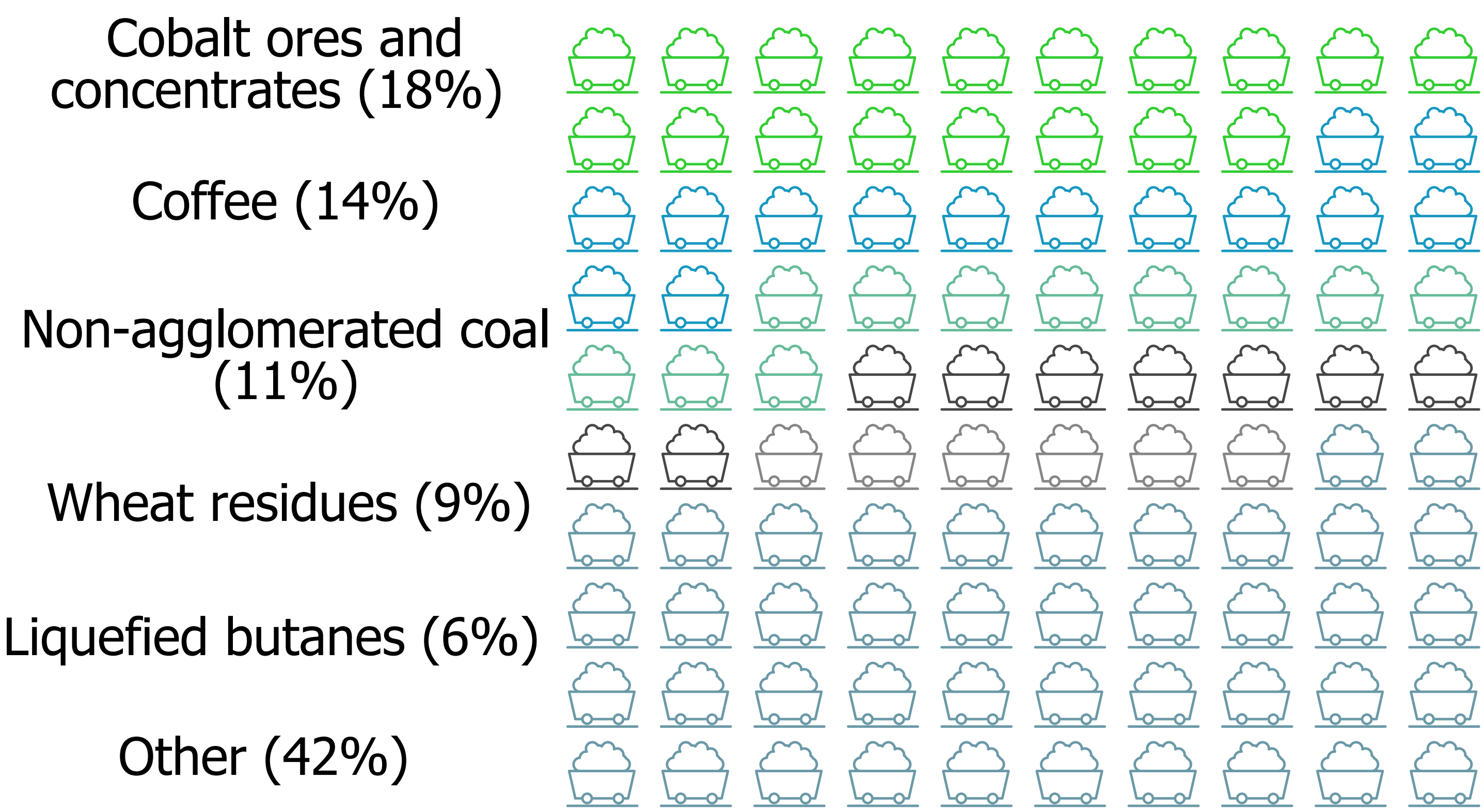
19%

of intra-Africa imports are from countries outside PAFTA and AGADIR

Main source markets



Main import products



African imports from outside PAFTA, AGADIR, FTAs and 33 African LDCs (certain products) are levied MFN applied tariffs

73% of Morocco's imports from outside PAFTA and AGADIR were products levied 2.5% import duties and 19% products levied 10% import duties. There were no duty-free imports and unshelled peanuts were the only import product levied 50% duties. Of the top 20 imports from outside PAFTA and AGADIR 13 are products levied 2.5% import duties. These include cobalt ores and concentrate, non-agglomerated coal, wheat residues, liquefied butanes and propane gas. Imports of unroasted coffee; mangos, mangosteens and guavas; pineapples and diesel tanker trucks are levied 10% import duties, while imports of partly stemmed tobacco and uncoated Kraft paper face 17.5% import duties. 40% duties are applicable to imports of canned tuna.

Highest MFN applied duties

- Meat and edible offal (200%)
- Wheat imports between 1 June and 31 July (170%)
- Products of milk and cream (100%)
- Durum wheat (70%)
- Other wheat flour (66%)
- Unshelled peanuts (50%)
- Canned tuna (40%)
- Avocadoes (40%)
- Raisins (30%)

Lowest MFN applied duties

- Diesel tanker trucks (10%)
- Mangoes, mangosteens and guavas (10%)
- Pineapples (10%)
- Unroasted coffee (10%)
- Ginger (2.5%)
- Vanilla extract (2.5%)
- Wheat residues (2.5%)
- Cobalt ores and concentrates (2.5%)
- Products of sulphur (duty-free)