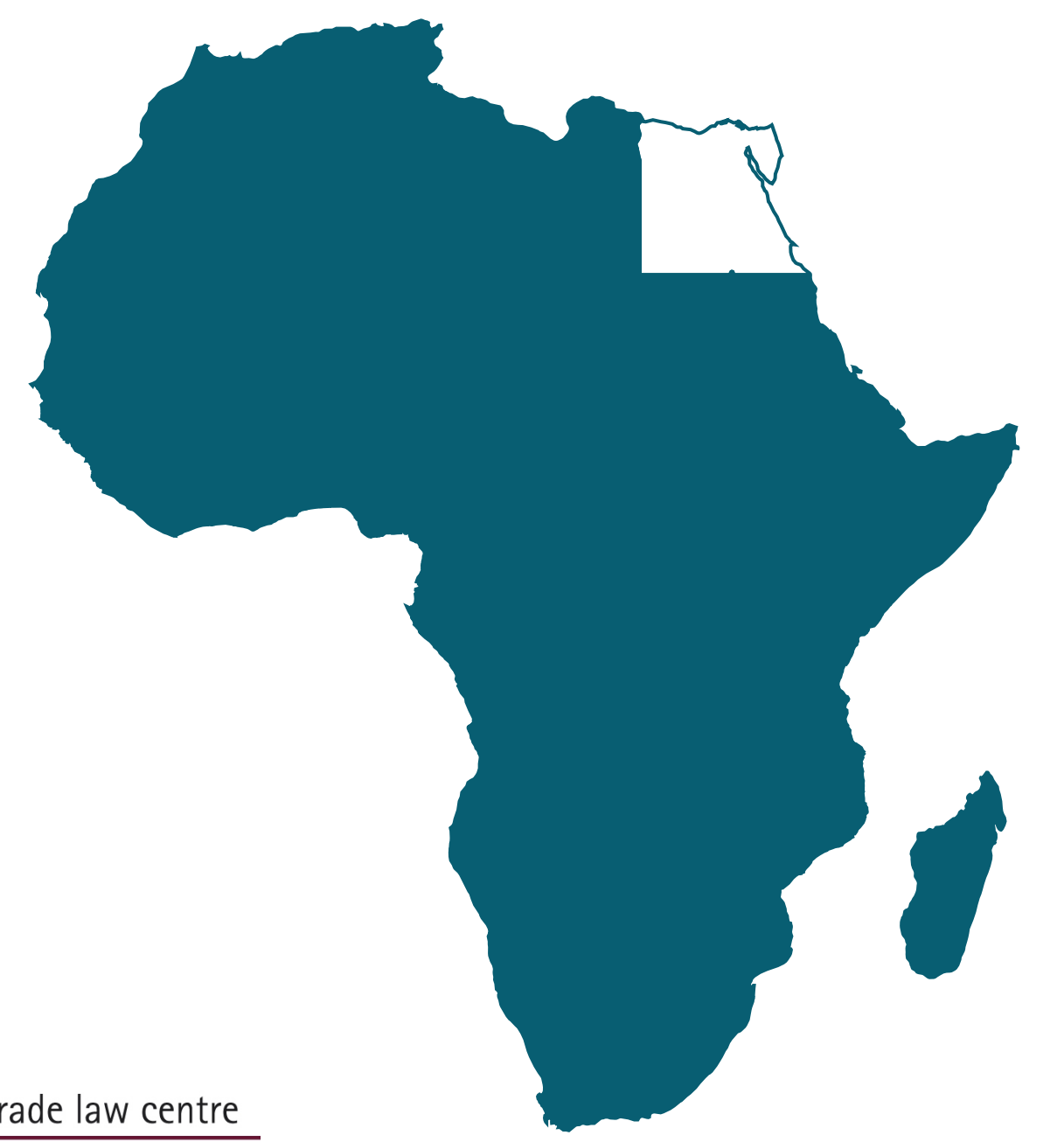


Egypt



Intra-Africa trade and tariff profile 2018



Egypt is a member of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD), Pan-Arab Free Trade Area (PAFTA) and the Arab-Mediterranean Free Trade Area (AGADIR).

COMESA has 21 member states, 16 of which are part of the COMESA FTA – the DRC, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia and Tunisia are all in the process of accession. eSwatini has preferential access to some other COMESA member states due to derogations but is exempt from reciprocating preferential access due to it being a member of SACU.

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. AGADIR provides for trade liberalisation among Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia and Jordan.

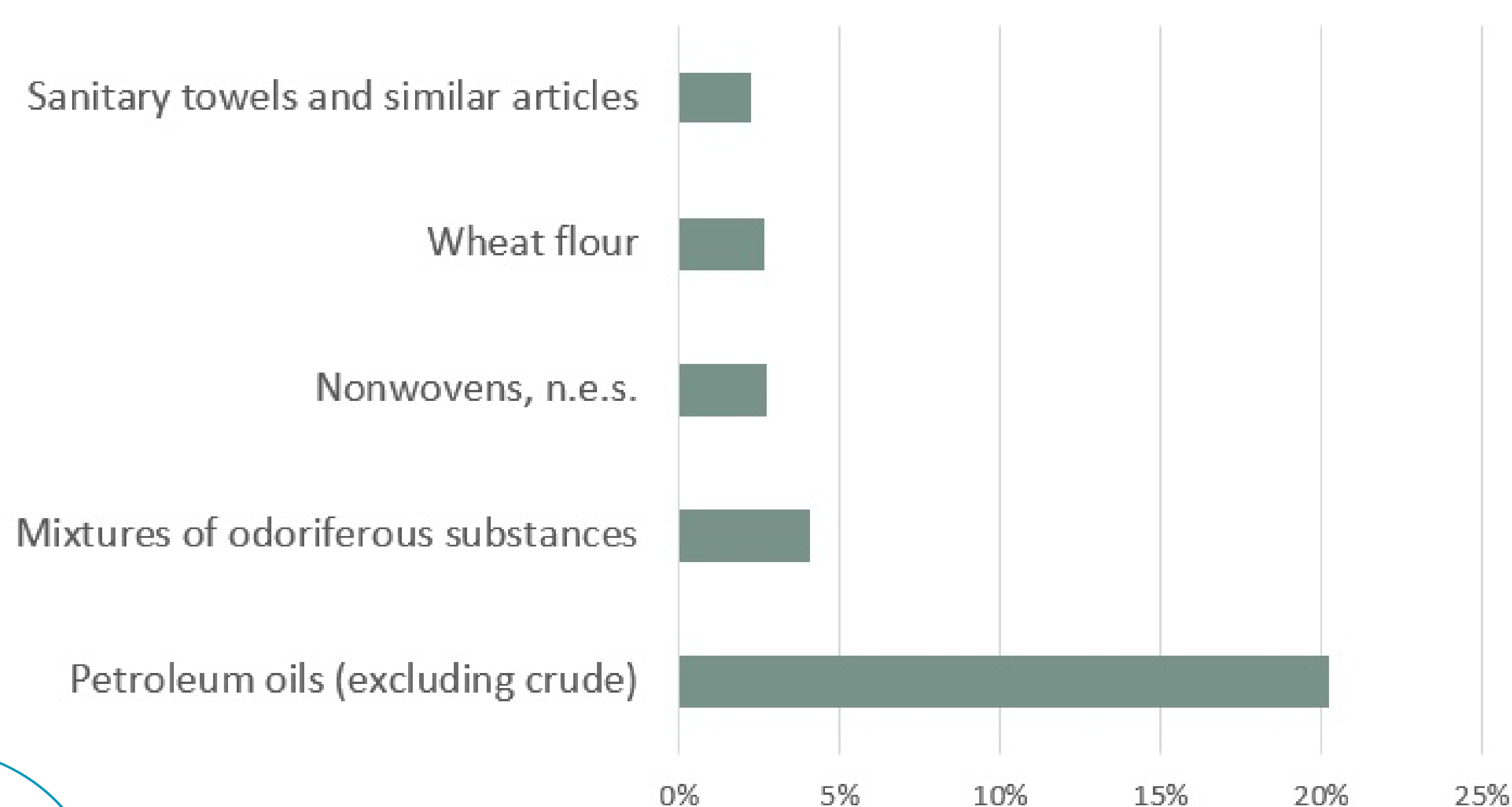
CEN-SAD currently has 24 member states. CEN-SAD was revived in 2013 with a revision of the CEN-SAD Treaty. The revised Treaty focuses on cooperation activities to foster peace, security and sustainable development and measures to adapt to climate change but has not yet entered into force, there is still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

- CEN-SAD
- COMESA
- PAFTA
- AGADIR

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

- Algeria (20%)
- Libya (10%)
- Morocco (10%)
- Kenya (9%)
- Tunisia (9%)

Main intra-Africa export products



6% of total trade is intra-Africa

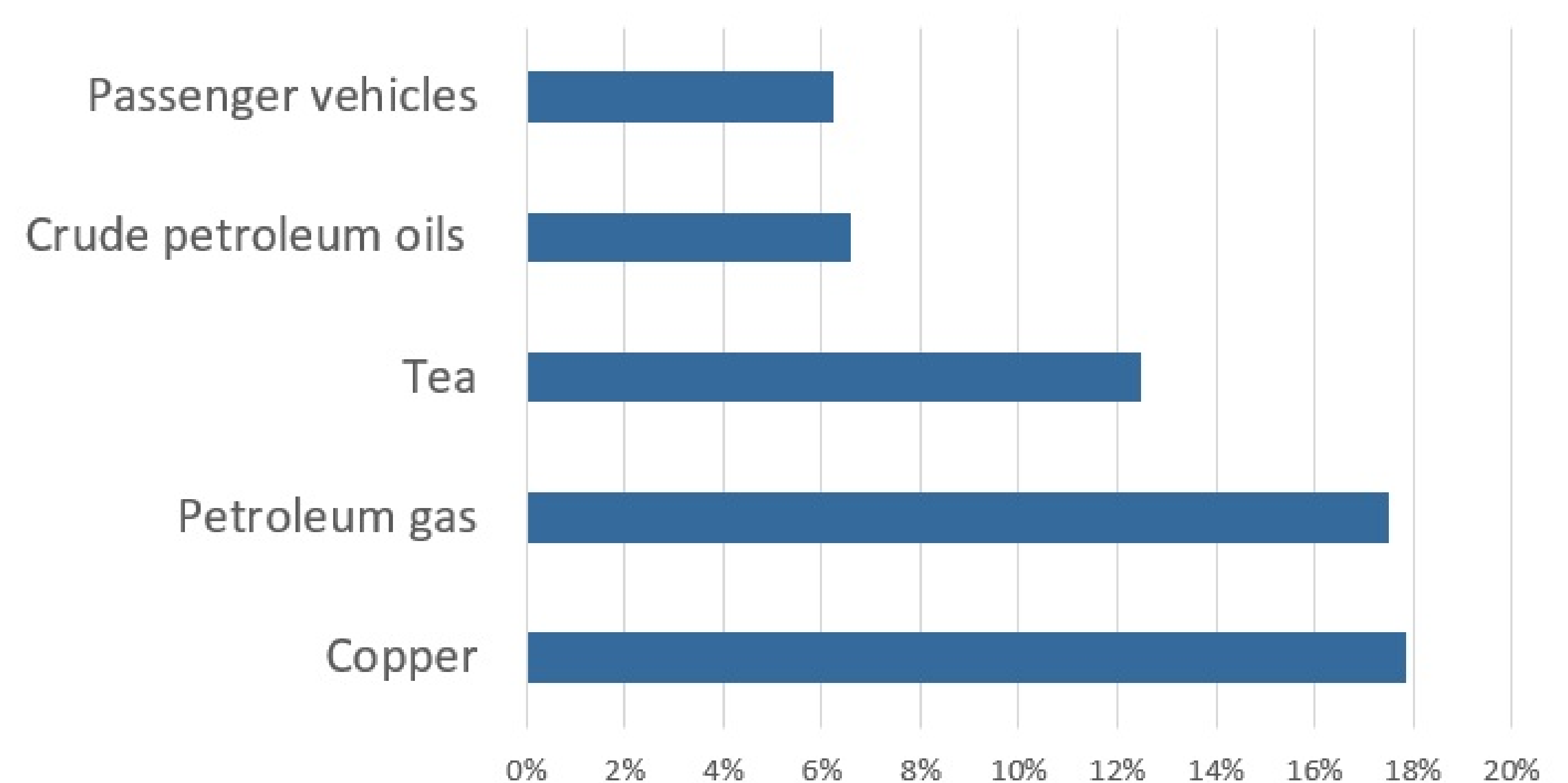
Intra-Africa exports: 16% of world exports

- Algeria (21%)
- Libya (13%)
- Morocco (11%)
- Tunisia (11%)

Intra-Africa imports: 3% of world imports

- Algeria (19%)
- Kenya (13%)
- Zambia (12%)
- Sudan (10%)

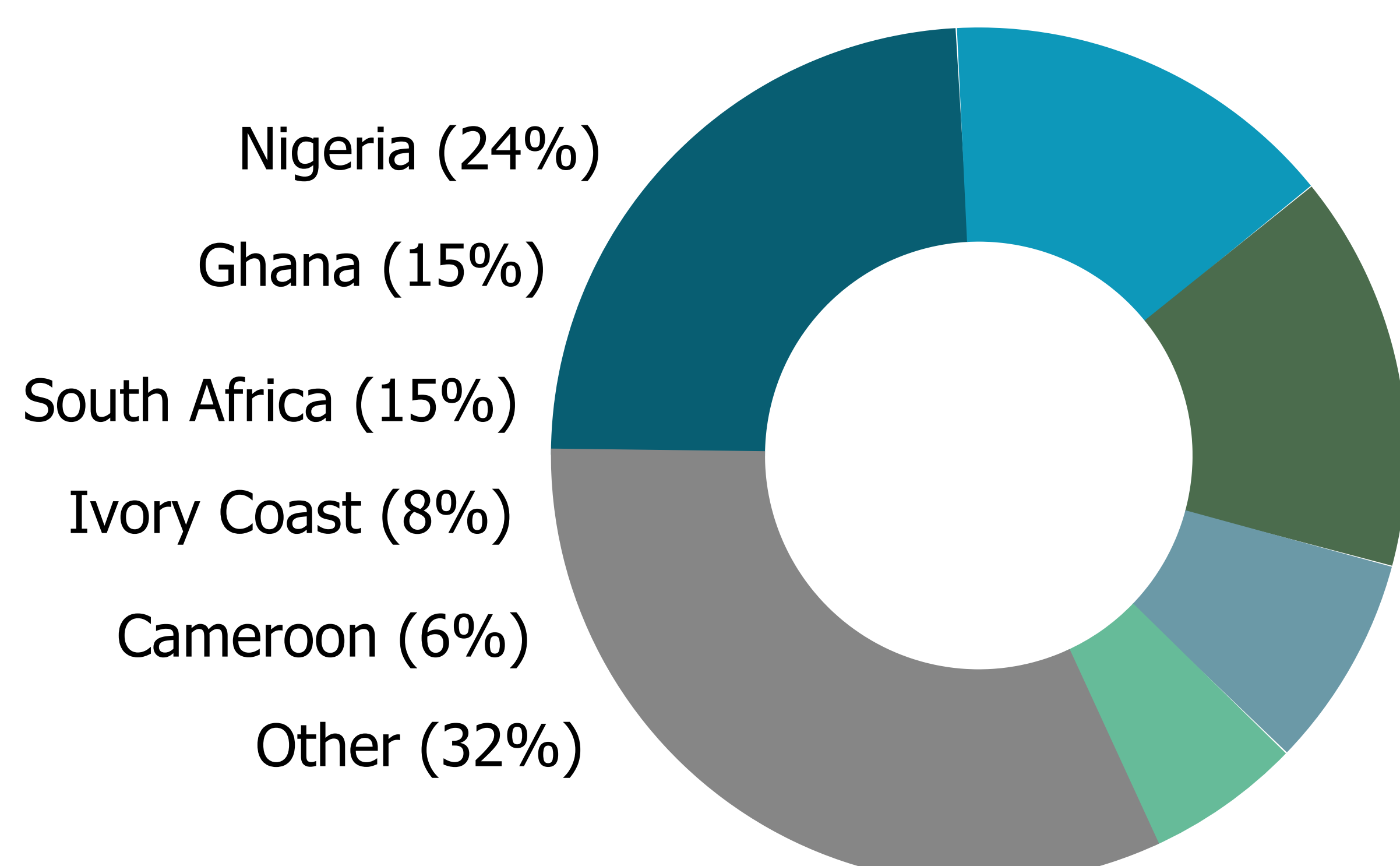
Main intra-Africa import products



16%

of intra-Africa exports are to countries outside PAFTA, AGADIR & COMESA

Main destination markets



Commodities not elsewhere specified (10%)

Mixtures of odoriferous substances (9%)

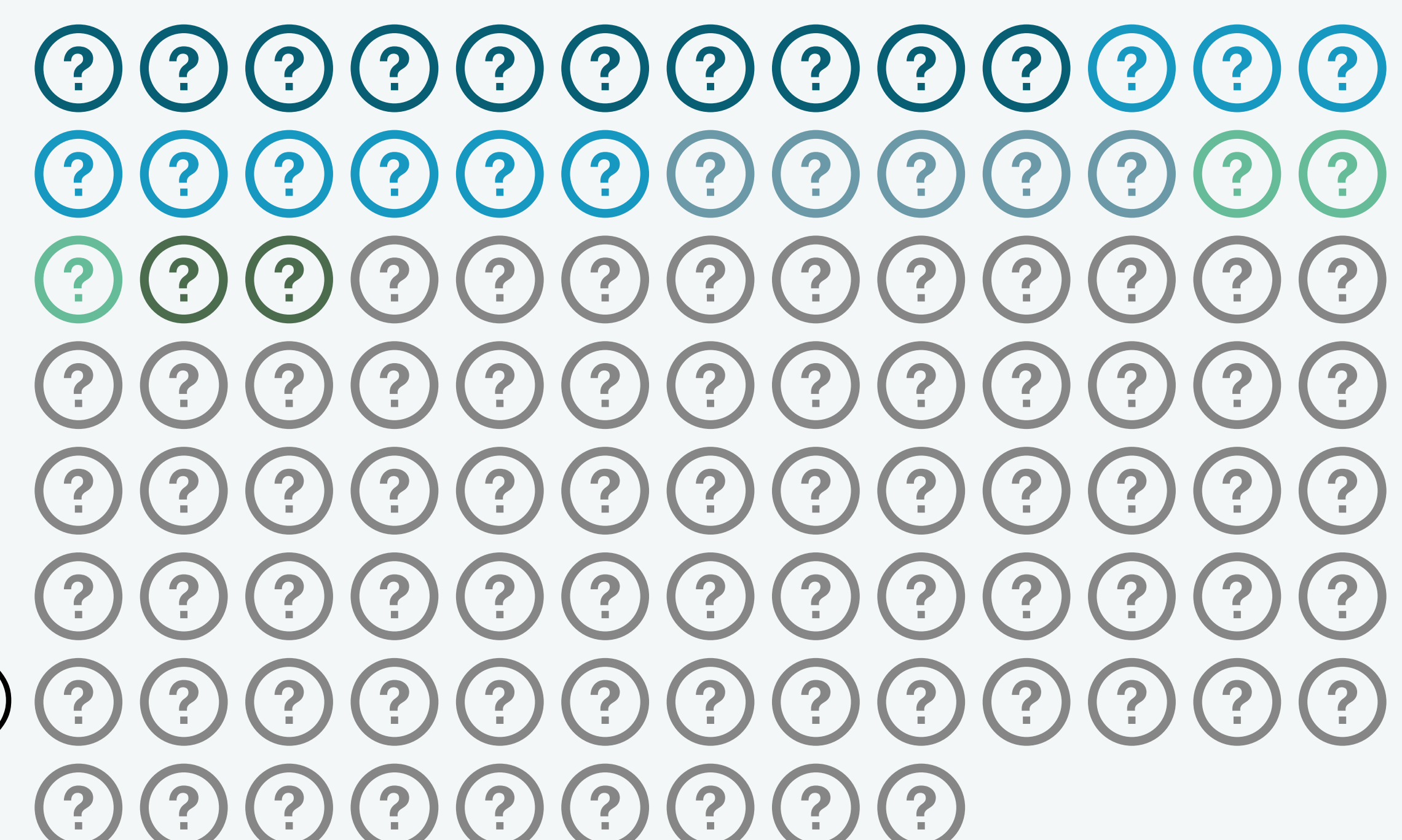
Nonwovens, n.e.s. (5%)

Non-agglomerated lignite (3%)

Reception apparatus (2%)

Other (72%)

Main export products



Intra-Africa tariffs

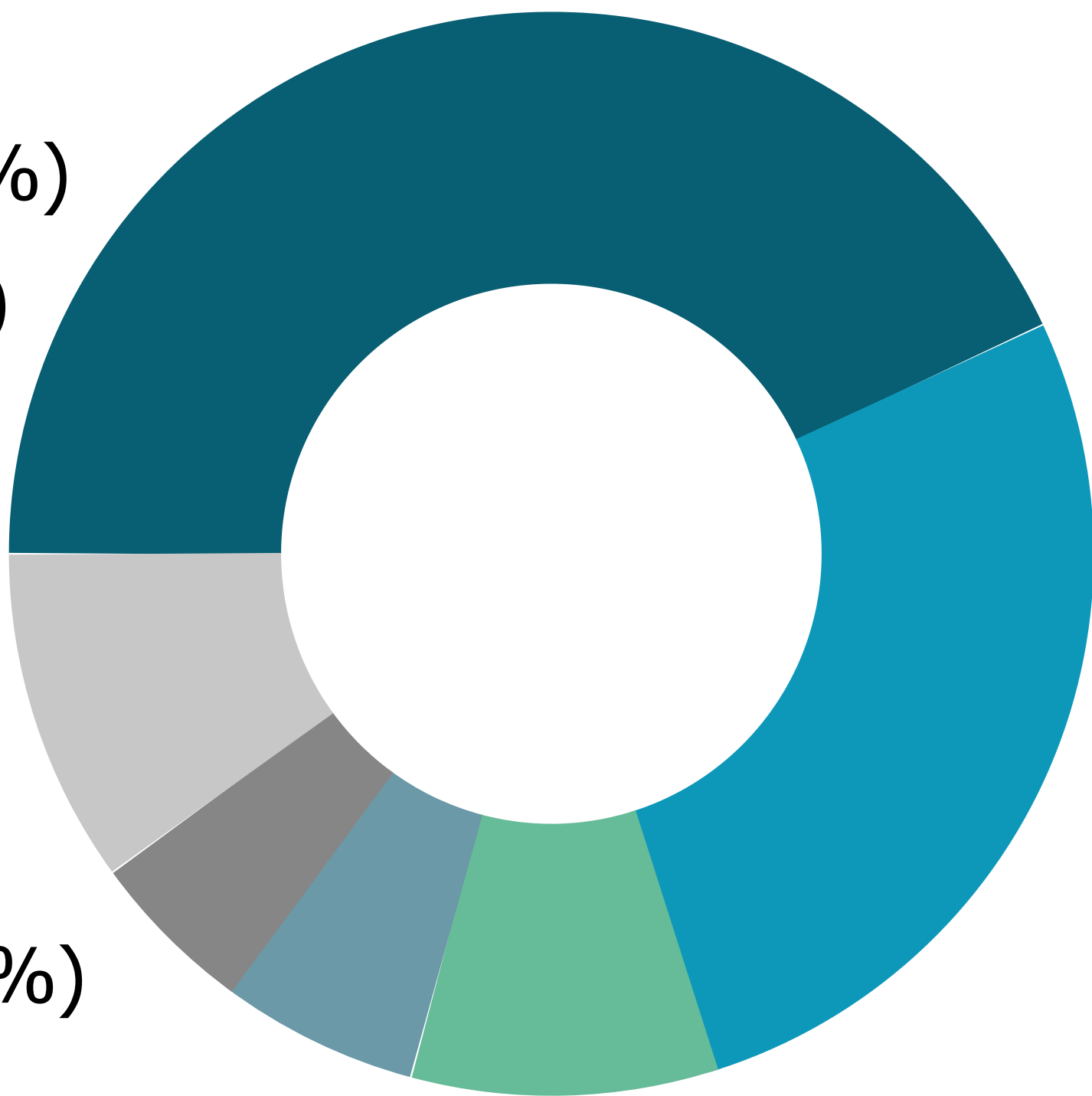
Goods imported into Egypt from AGADIR, PAFTA and COMESA FTA member states enter the Egyptian market duty-free. The DRC, eSwatini and Somalia are COMESA member states, but not COMESA FTA members. Accordingly, imports from these three countries are levied Egypt's MFN applied tariffs. Under COMESA, Egypt applies preferential tariffs for imports from Uganda, Eritrea and Ethiopia. The preferential tariff applicable to imports from Uganda and Eritrea is 20% of the MFN applied tariff, while imports from Ethiopia are levied a preferential tariff of 80% of the MFN applied tariff.

21%

of intra-Africa imports are from countries outside PAFTA, AGADIR & COMESA

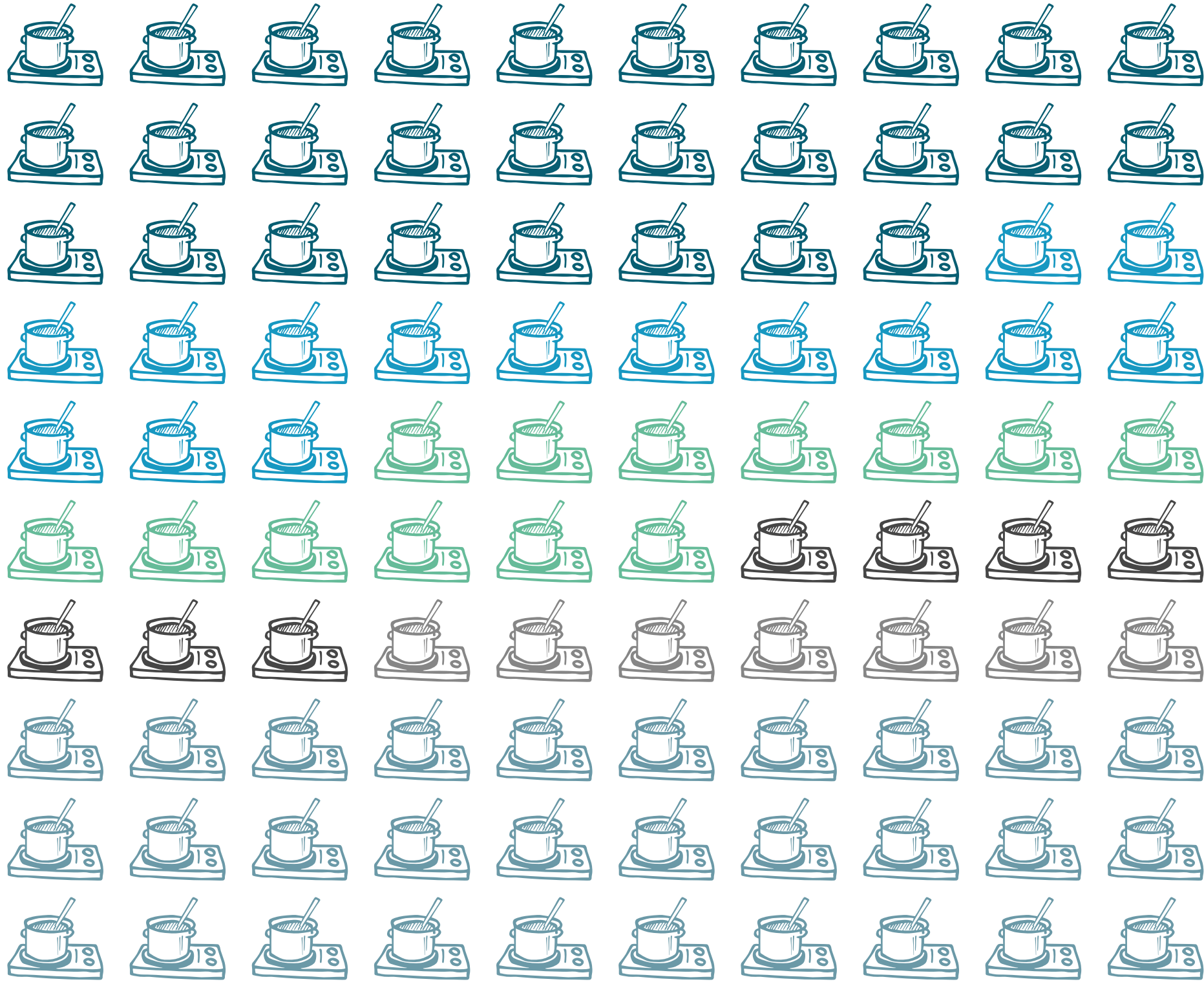
Main source markets

- South Africa (43%)
- Nigeria (27%)
- Benin (9%)
- Burkina Faso (6%)
- Equatorial Guinea (5%)
- Other (10%)



Main import products

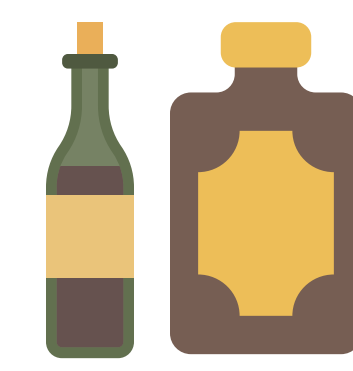


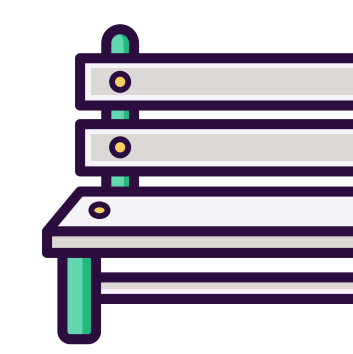
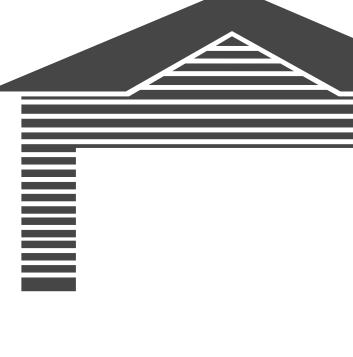
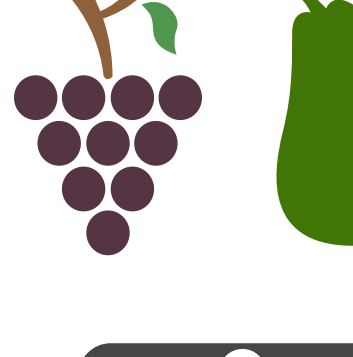



- Liquefied natural gas (28%)
- Cotton (15%)
- Coke of coal (13%)
- Non-agglomerated iron ores and concentrates (7%)
- Non-agglomerated bituminous coal (7%)
- Other (30%)



African imports from outside PAFTA, AGADIR and COMESA are levied MFN applied tariffs

48% of Egypt's imports from outside PAFTA, AGADIR and COMESA were products levied 5% import duties. 41% of imports were duty-free. Of the top 20 imports from outside PAFTA, AGADIR and COMESA 50% are duty-free, including cotton, iron ores and concentrates, sesamum seeds and frozen boneless beef. Imports of liquefied natural gas and butanes, coke of coal and tubes and pipes of refined copper and copper alloys are levied 5% import duties. 2% import duties are applicable to imports of refined copper, unsweetened cocoa powder, certain vessels (goods vessels used in territory waters and other goods and passenger vessels), whole ginger and plants used for the perfumery and pharmaceutical industry.

Highest MFN applied duties

-  Most alcoholic beverages (3000%)
-  Malt beer (1200%)
-  Most passenger and goods vehicles (135%)
-  Wooden furniture (60%)
-  Aluminium structures (60%)
-  Grapes and pears (40%)
-  Plastic lavatory seats and covers (40%)
-  Lithium cells (30%)
-  Unstemmed tobacco (9 pounds/kg)

Lowest MFN applied duties

-  Veneer sheets (5%)
-  Copper tubes and pipes (5%)
-  Liquefied natural gas (5%)
-  Black fermented tea (2%)
-  Whole ginger (2%)
-  Frozen boneless beef (Duty-free)
-  Cocoa paste (Duty-free)
-  Iron ores and concentrates (Duty-free)
-  Cotton (Duty-free)