

Kenya



Intra-Africa trade and tariff profile 2018

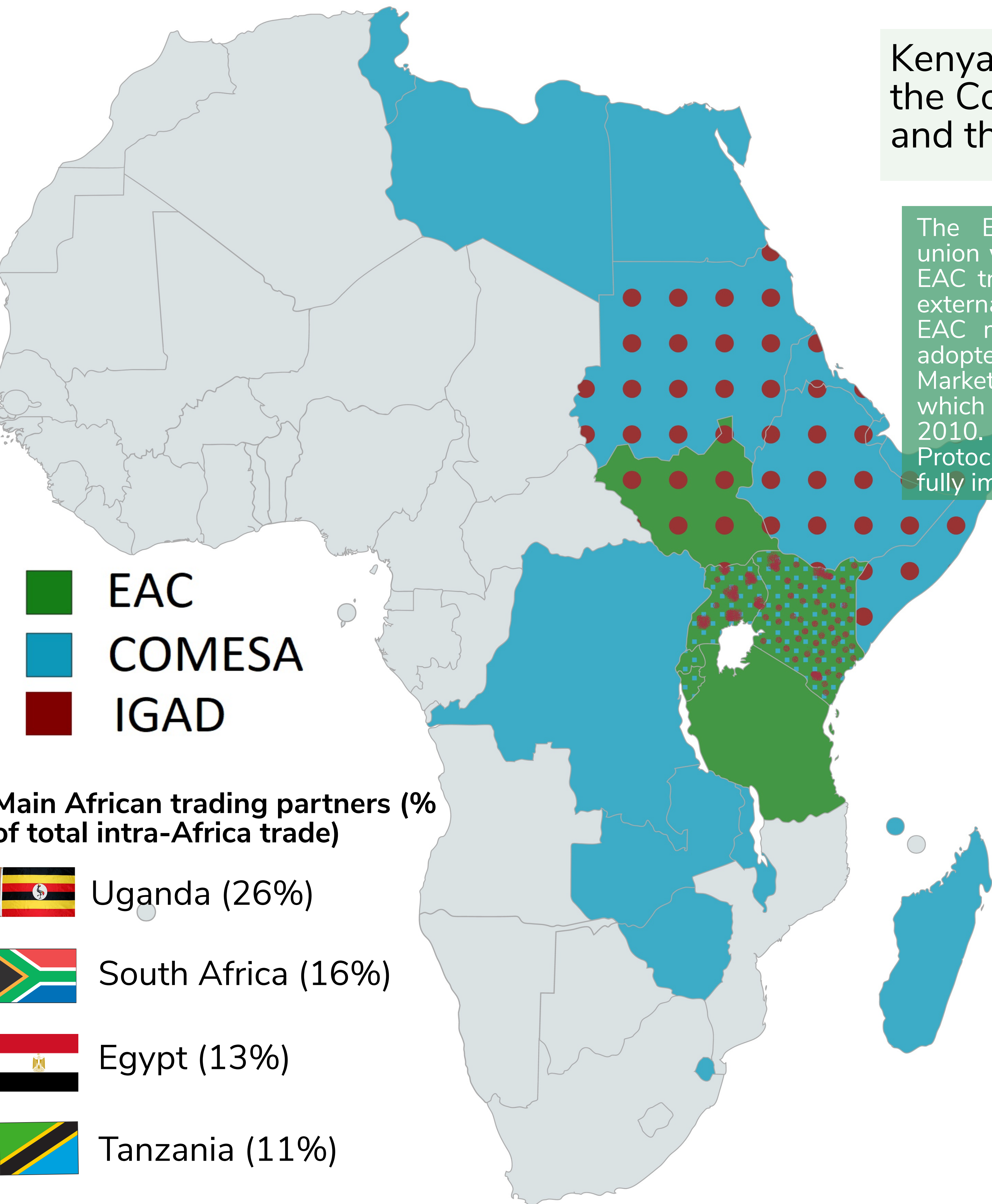


Kenya is a member of the East African Community (EAC), the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) and the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)

The EAC is a customs union with duty-free intra-EAC trade and a common external tariff (CET). The EAC member states also adopted a Common Market Protocol in 2009, which came into effect in 2010. However, the Protocol has not yet been fully implemented.

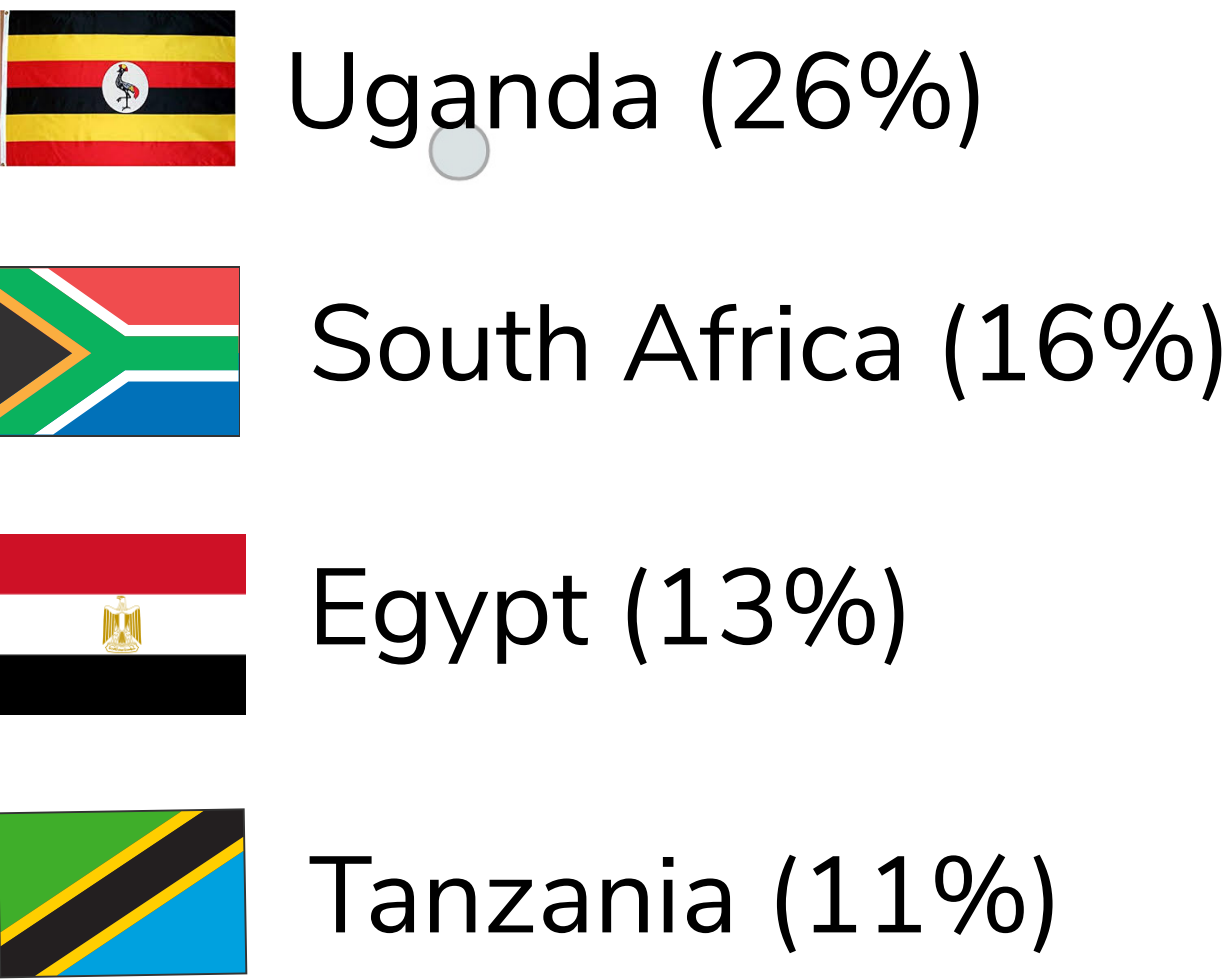
COMESA has 21 member states of which 16 are part of the COMESA FTA - Eswatini has preferential access under a derogation but is exempt from reciprocating preferences due to its membership of SACU. The DRC, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia and Tunisia are in the process of joining the FTA.

The IGAD members are Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan and Uganda. IGAD focuses on policy and programme harmonisation, peace and security, food security and sustainable development, facilitating investment, capacity building and infrastructure development. There has been no intra-IGAD tariff liberalisation.



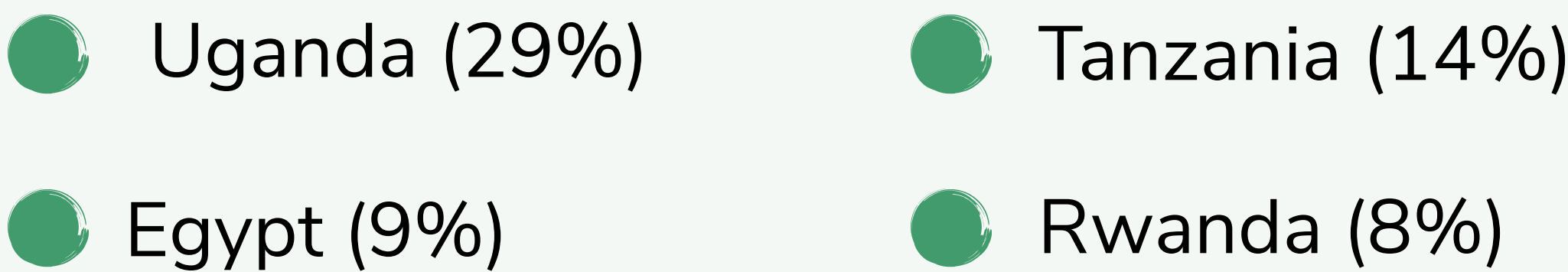
EAC
COMESA
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Main African trading partners (% of total intra-Africa trade)

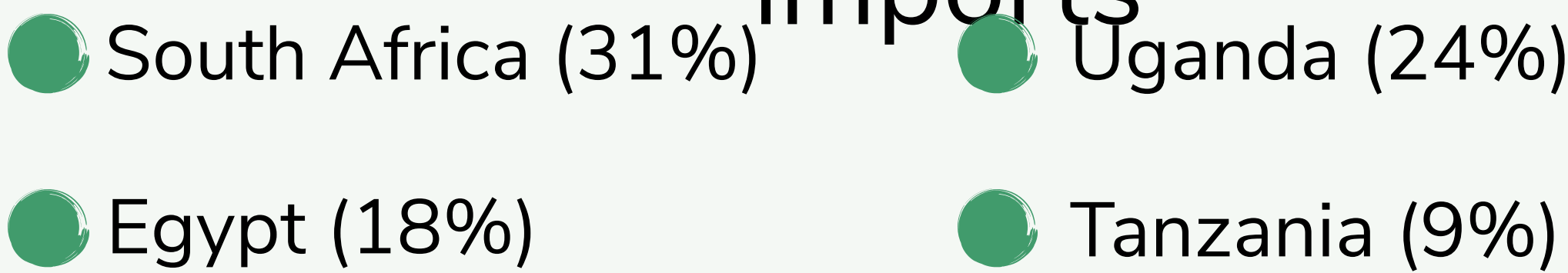


18% of total trade is intra-Africa

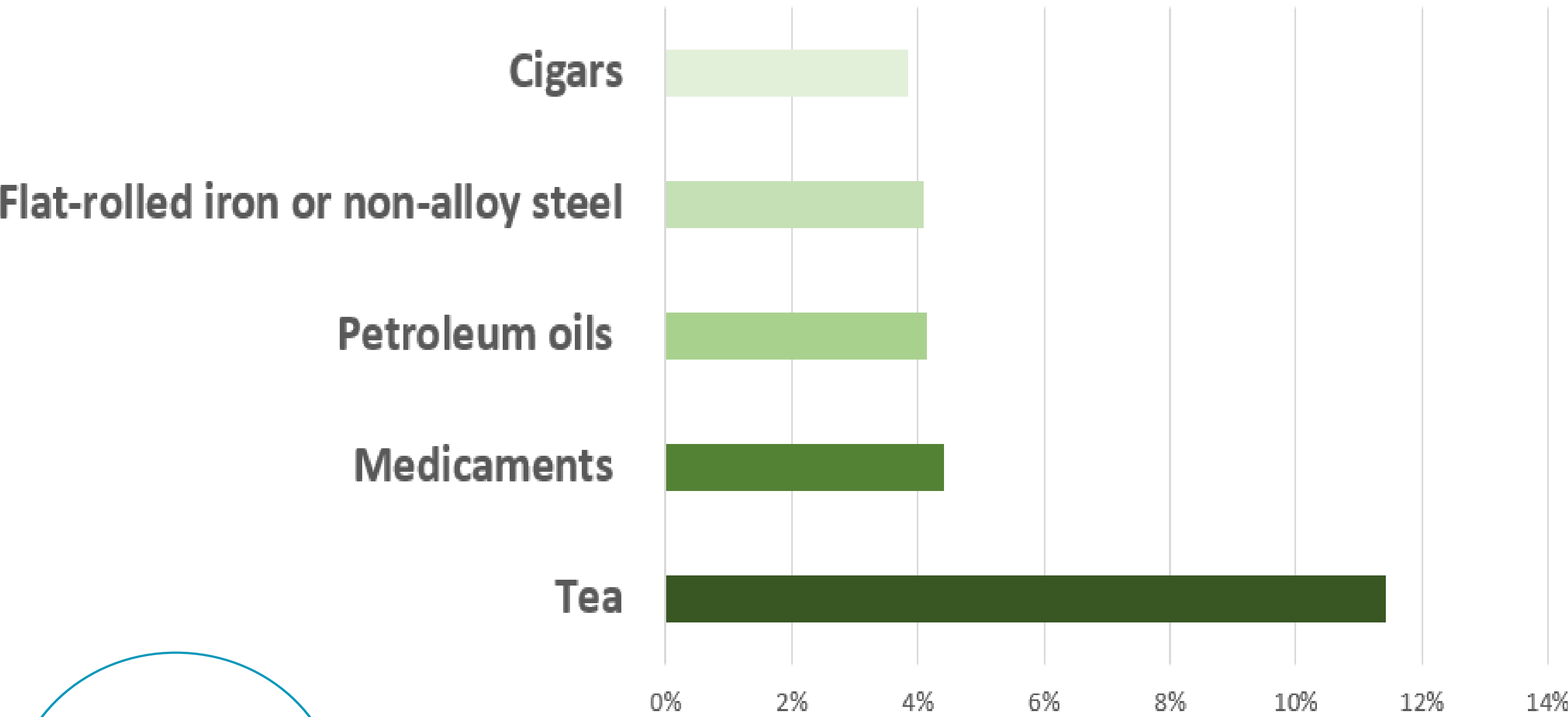
Intra-Africa exports: 35% of world exports



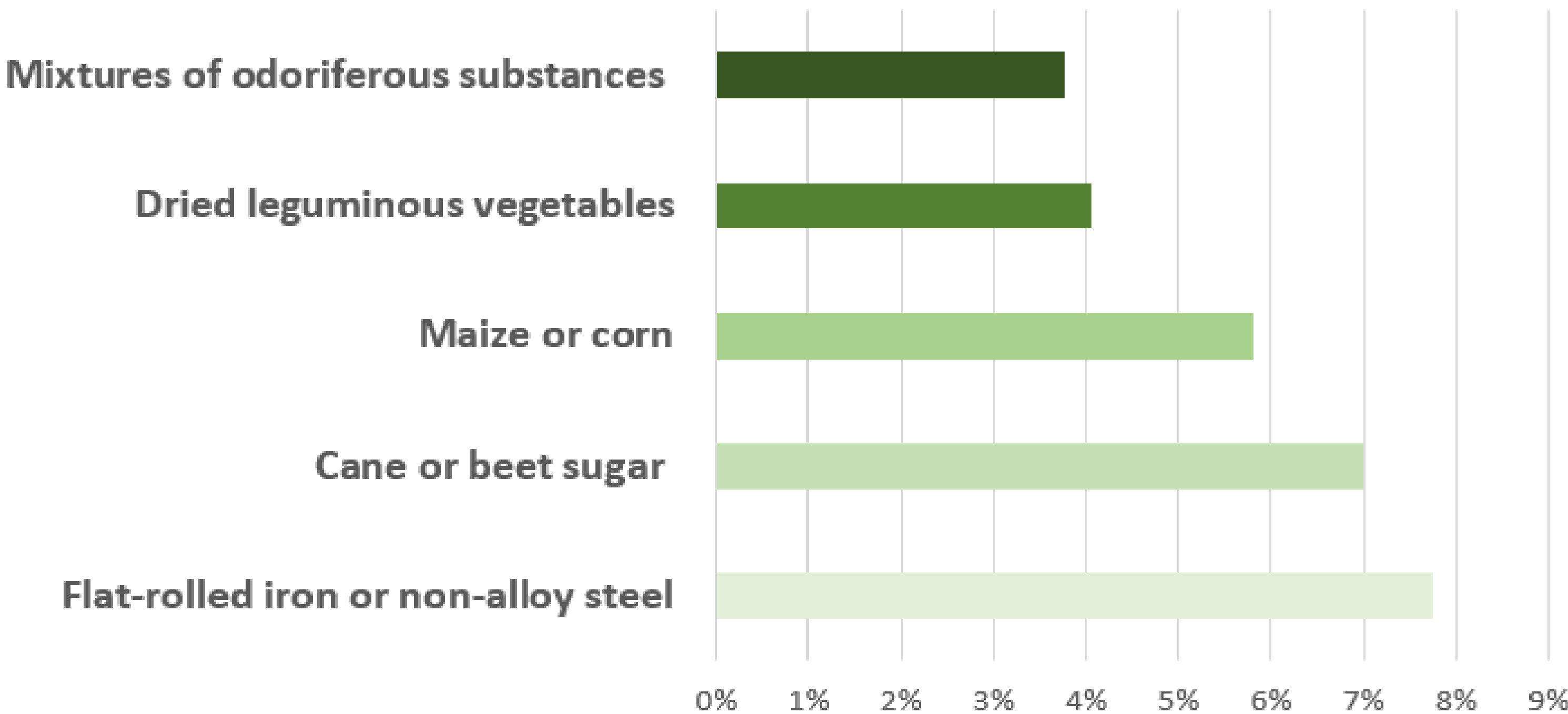
Intra-Africa imports: 12% of world imports



Main intra-Africa export products



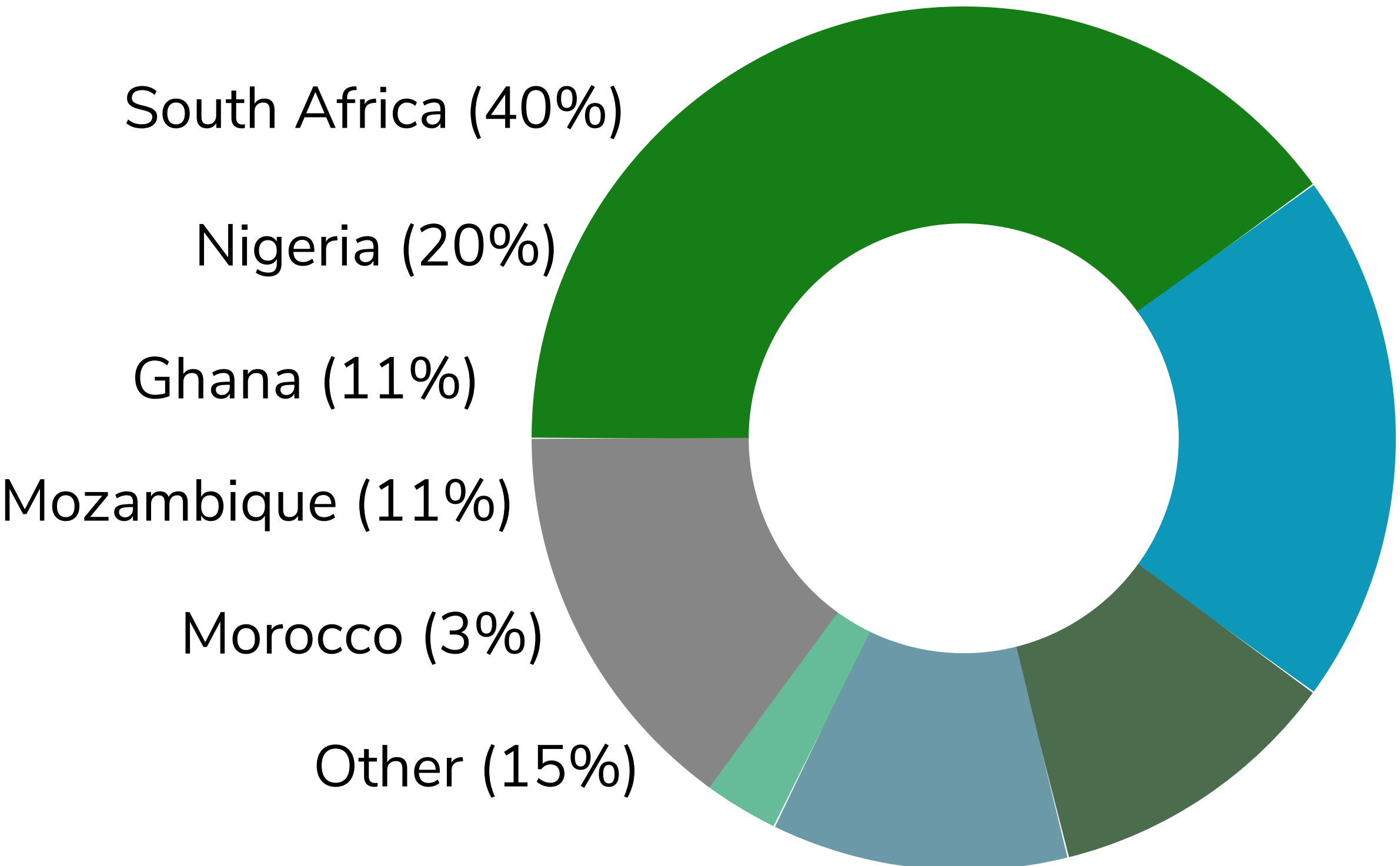
Main intra-Africa import products



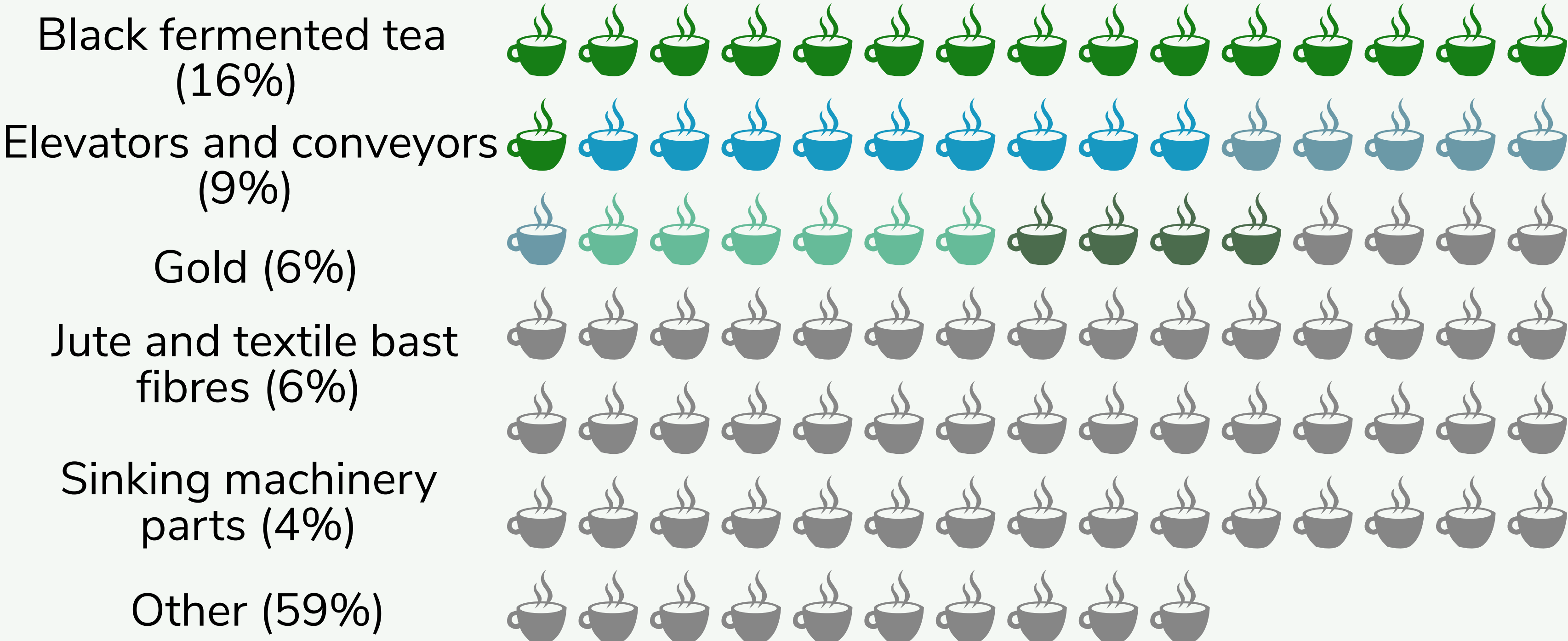
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of intra-Africa exports are to countries outside the EAC and COMESA

Main destination markets



Main export products



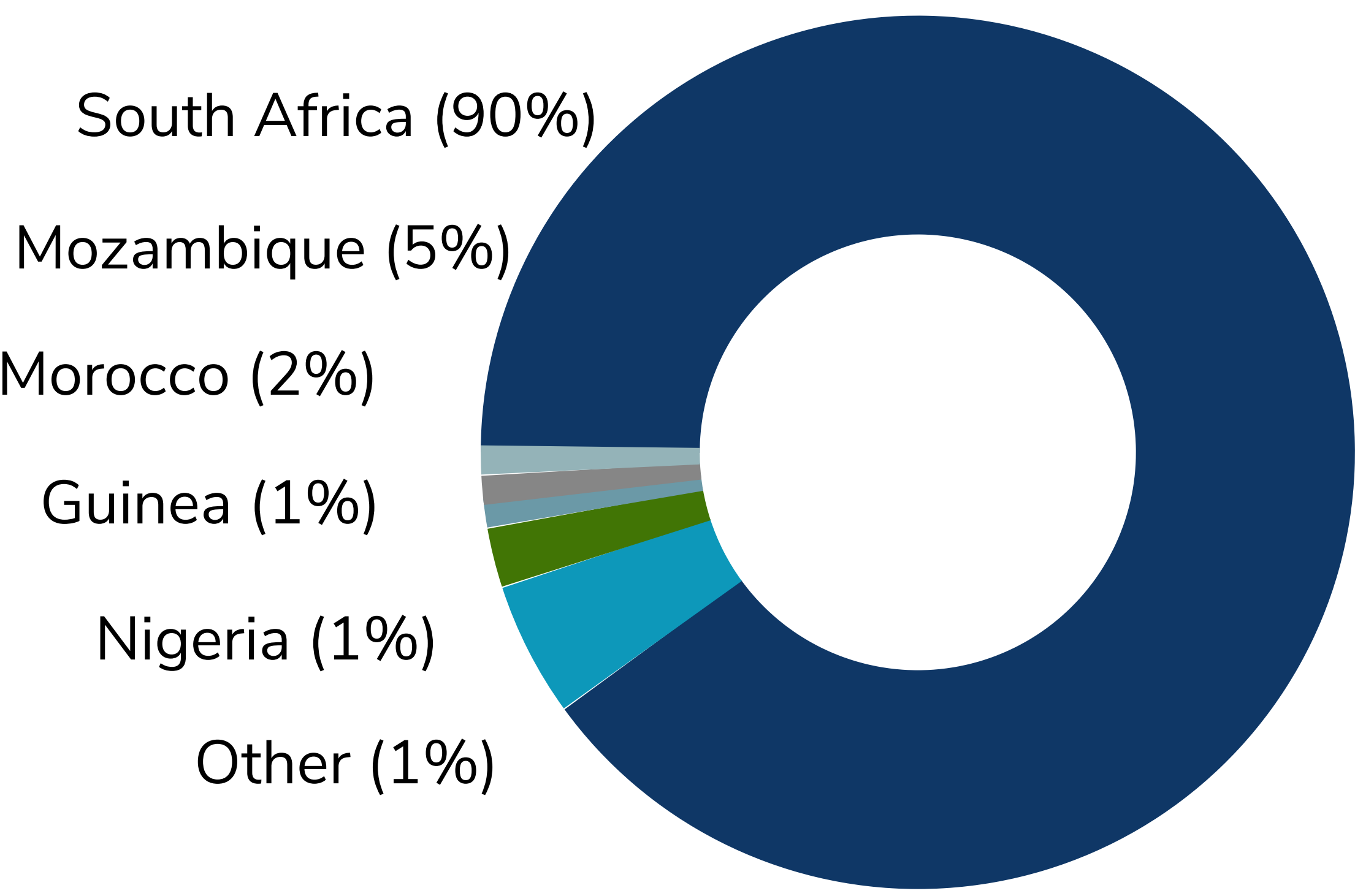
Intra-Africa tariffs

Goods imported from other EAC countries and COMESA member states (except DRC, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Eswatini, Somalia and Tunisia) enter duty free. Imports from outside EAC and COMESA are levied the MFN applied duty (i.e. EAC Common External Tariff). The EAC CET tariff bands are duty-free, 10%, 25%, 35%, 50% and 60%. EAC CET specific duties are applicable to imports of rice, sugar, second-hand clothes and products of iron or non-alloy steel.

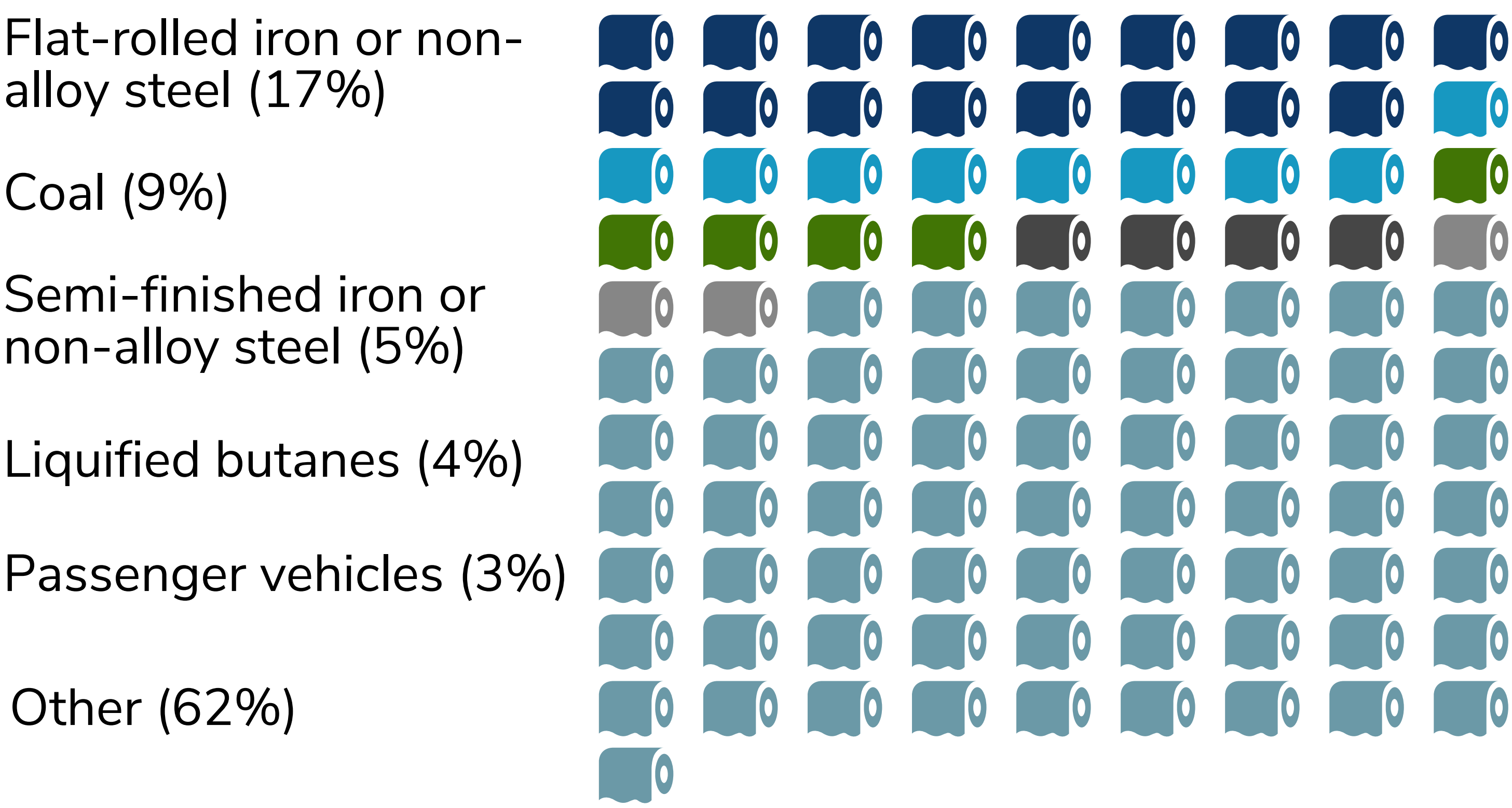
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Main source markets



Main import products



African imports from outside the EAC and COMESA are levied MFN applied duties (EAC CET)

Of the top 20 import products, 12 are duty-free - flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel; hot-rolled bars and rods; semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel containing; petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons; coal; medicaments; waste and scrap of alloy steel. Goods and passenger vehicles are either duty-free or levied 25% import duties, depending on whether unassembled (duty-free) or assembled (25%). Fresh apples and wine face a 25% import duty. Acrylic polymers and mixtures of odoriferous substances face a 10% import duty. Depending on the type of oil and preparation imported, medium oils and preparations are either imported duty-free or face duties of either 10% or 25%.

Highest MFN applied duties

-  Cane or beet sugar (100% or US\$460/MT whichever is higher)
-  Milk and cream; cheese and curd (60%)
-  Maize; wheat or meslin flour; linen (50%)
-  Rice (35% or US\$200/MT whichever is higher)
-  Worn clothing (35% or USD 0.40/kg whichever is higher)
-  Cigars; manufactured tobacco; cells and batteries (35%)
-  Angles, shapes and sections of iron or non-alloy steel (25% or USD 250/MT whichever is higher)

Lowest MFN applied duties

-  Refractory brick (duty-free)
-  Monitors and projectors (duty-free)
-  Electrical apparatus (duty-free)
-  Railway goods (duty-free)
-  Tractors (duty-free)
-  Seeds, fruit and spores for sowing (duty-free)
-  Medical, surgical, dental or veterinary sciences apparatus (duty-free)