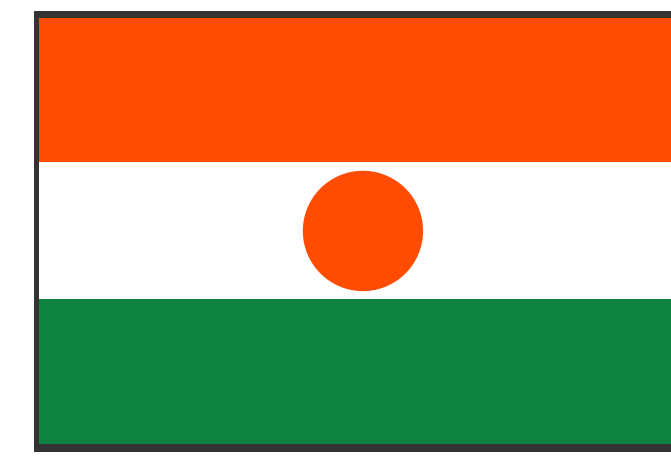


Niger

Intra-Africa trade and tariff profile 2018



Niger is part of two regional economic communities (RECs) – the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and the Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD)

CEN-SAD has 24 member states. In 2013 a revised CEN-SAD Treaty was approved but is not yet in force. Accordingly, there is currently no free trade agreement in place.

ECOWAS currently has 15 member states. All 15 are part of the ECOWAS Free Trade Area and all, but Cape Verde, are in the process of implementing the ECOWAS Common External Tariff (CET)

19% of total trade is intra-Africa

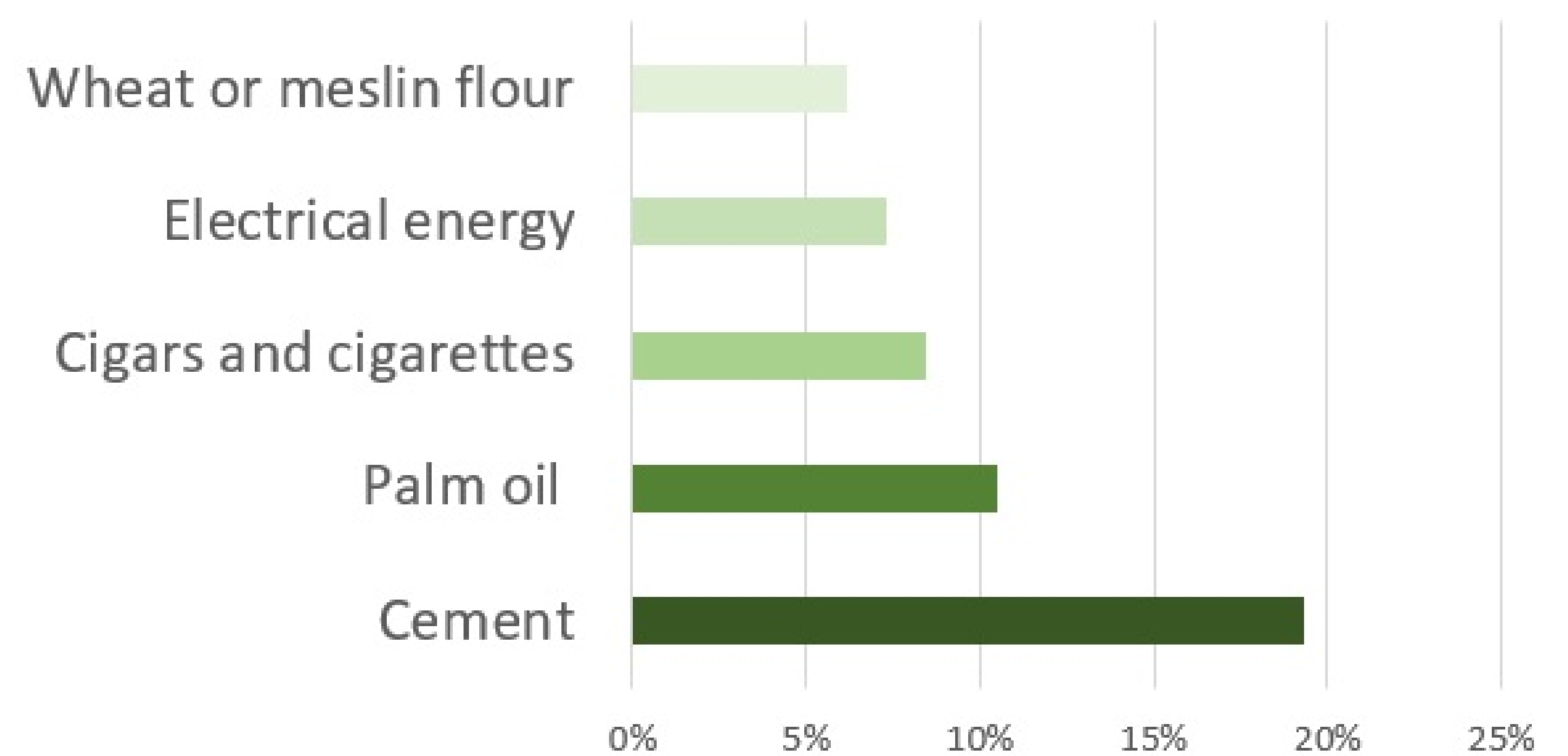
Intra-Africa exports: 19% of world exports

- Nigeria (60%)
- Mali (21%)
- Burkina Faso (9%)
- Ghana (3%)

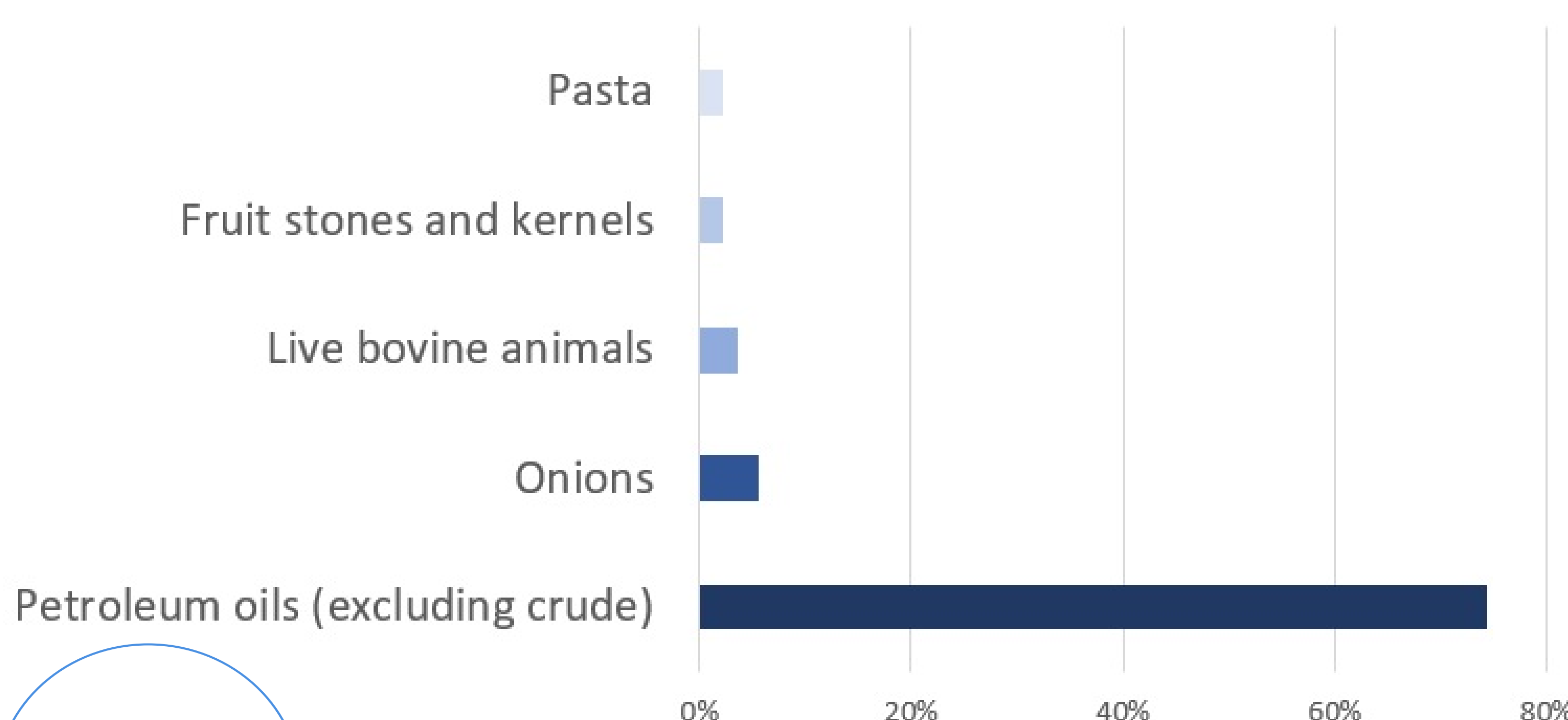
Intra-Africa imports: 19% of world imports

- Nigeria (32%)
- Ivory Coast (17%)
- Ghana (14%)
- Benin (10%)

Main intra-Africa import products



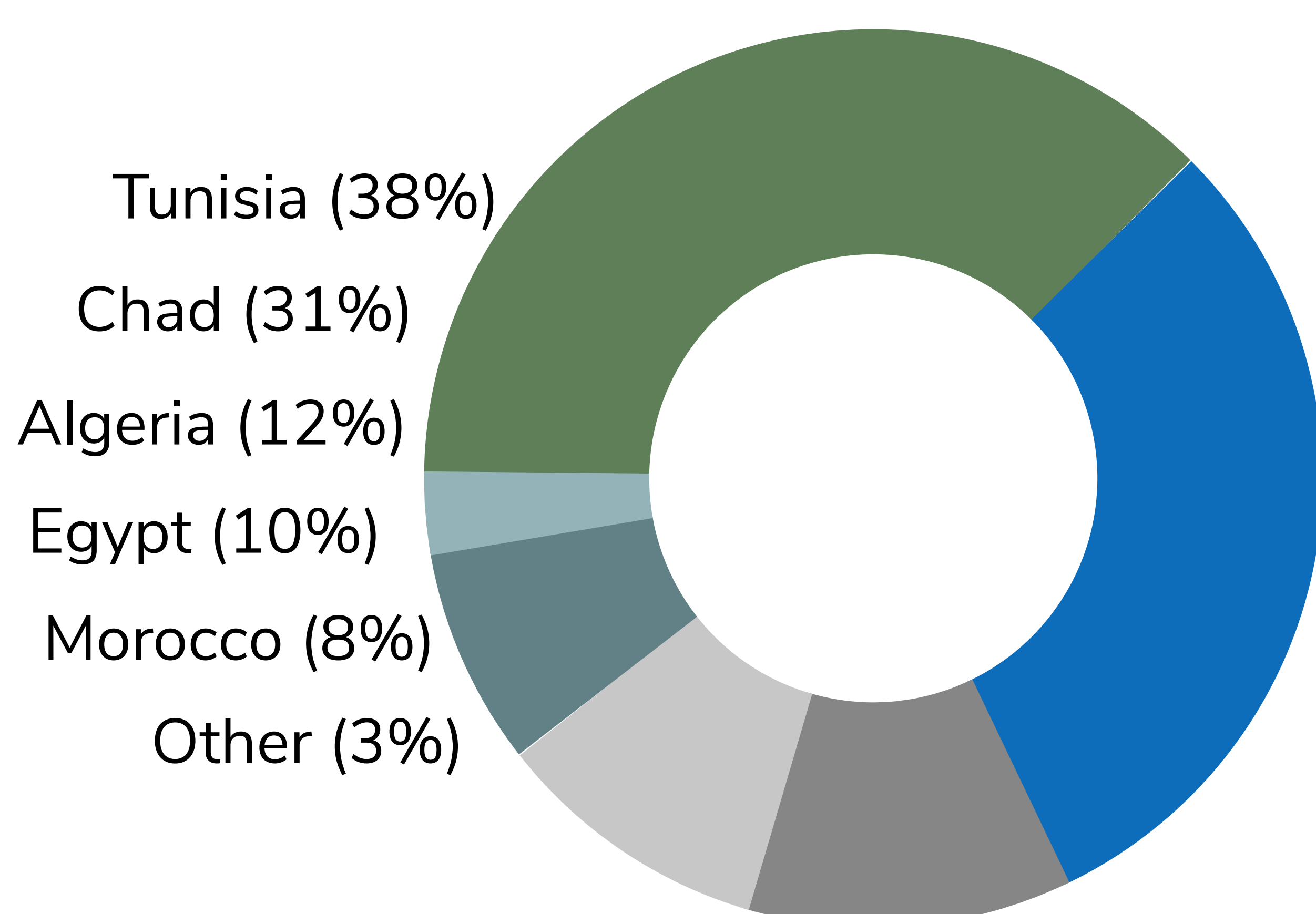
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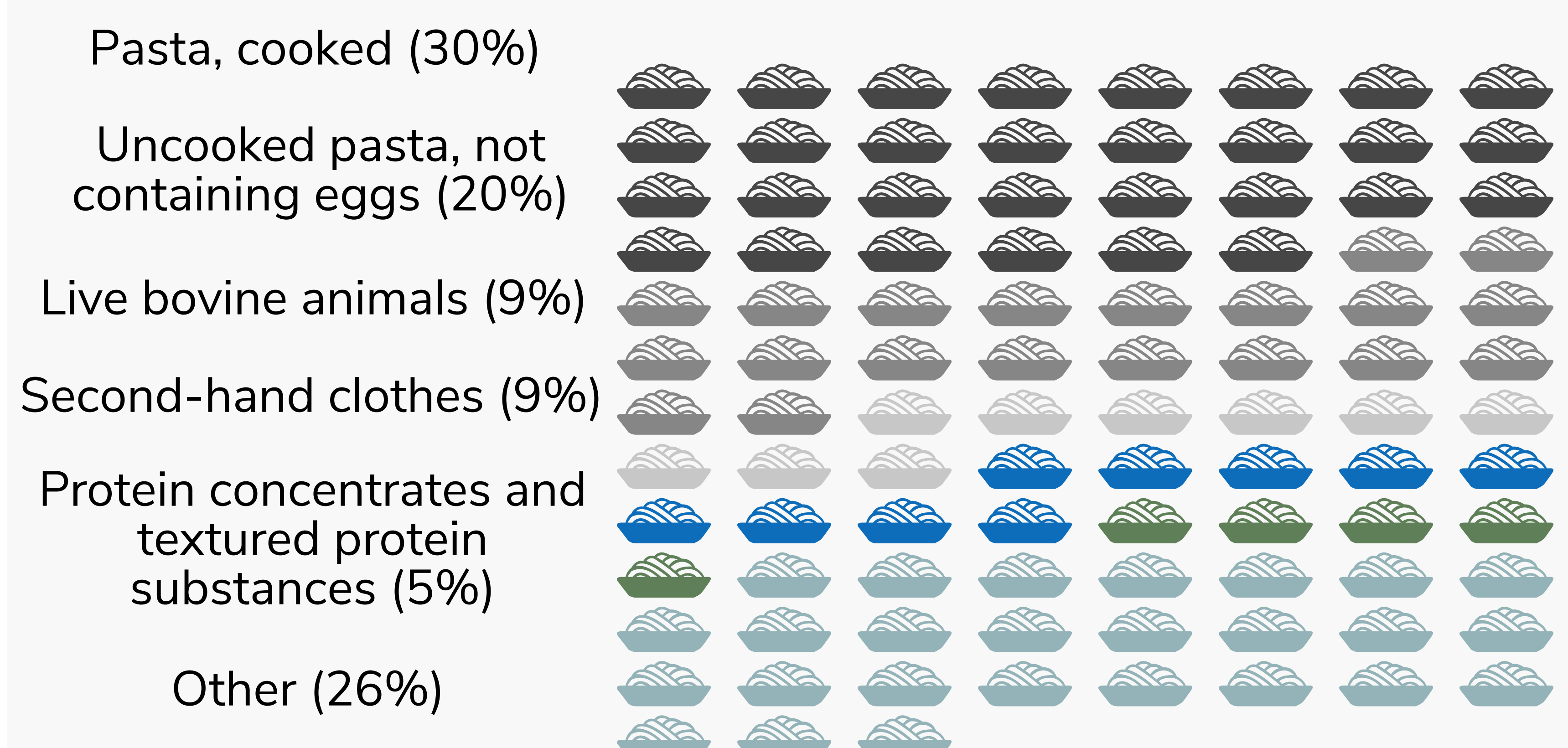
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of intra-Africa exports are to countries outside ECOWAS

Main destination markets

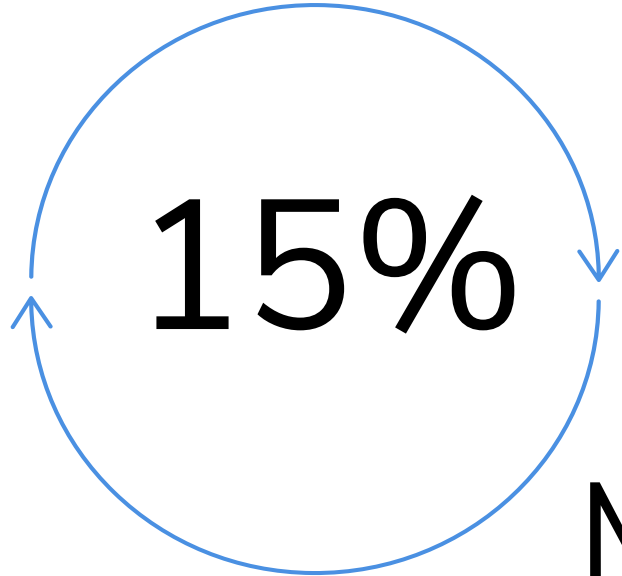


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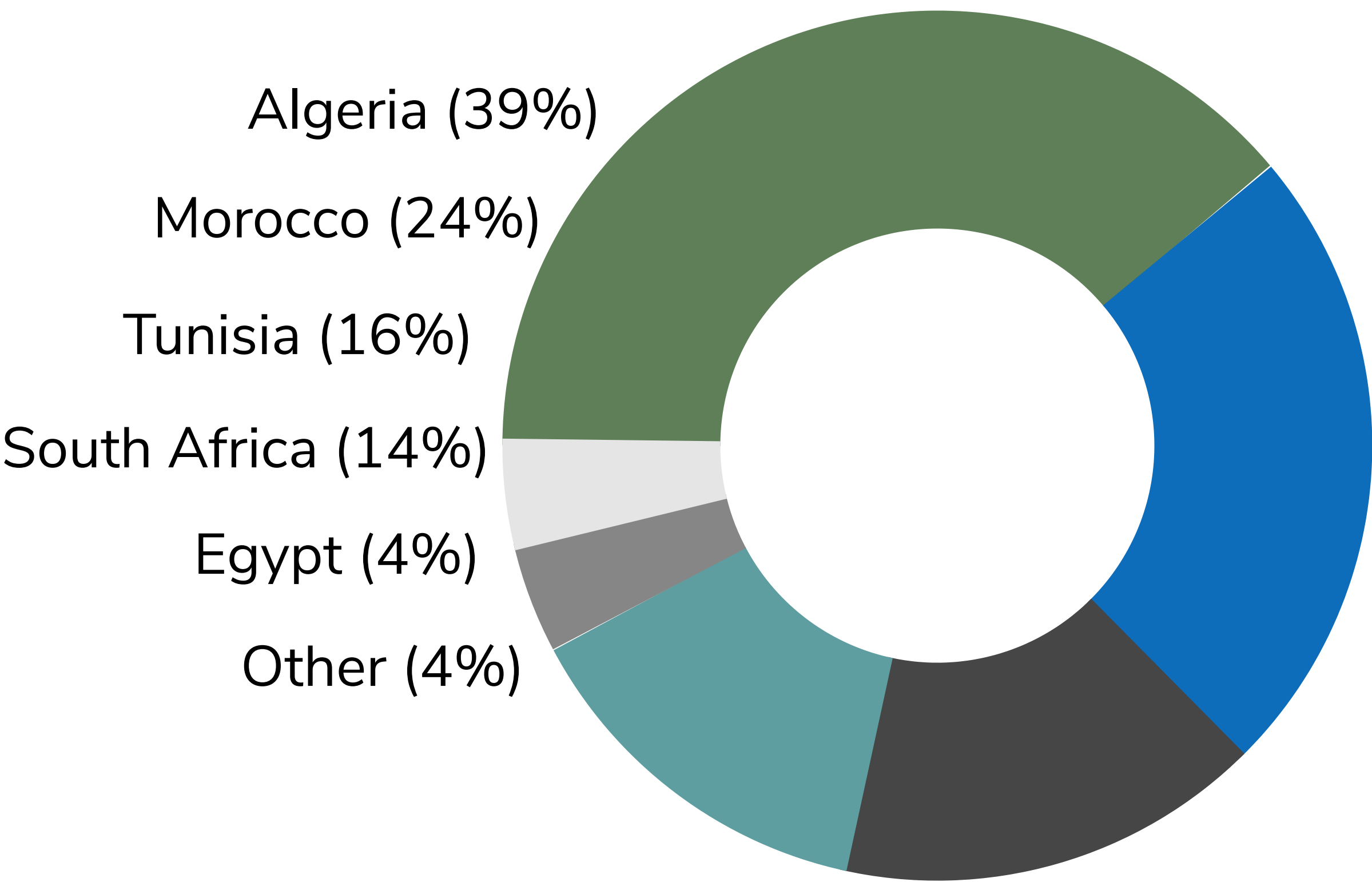
Intra-Africa tariffs

Niger subscribes to the ECOWAS ETLs enabling all qualifying goods sourced from approved producers in the other ECOWAS member states to be imported into Niger duty-free. Goods imported from CEN-SAD countries, which are not ECOWAS member states (including Egypt, Morocco, Somalia and Tunisia) and the rest of Africa are levied the MFN applied duty. The MFN applied duty of Niger is the ECOWAS CET which have five tariff bands – duty-free, 5%, 10%, 20% and 35%.



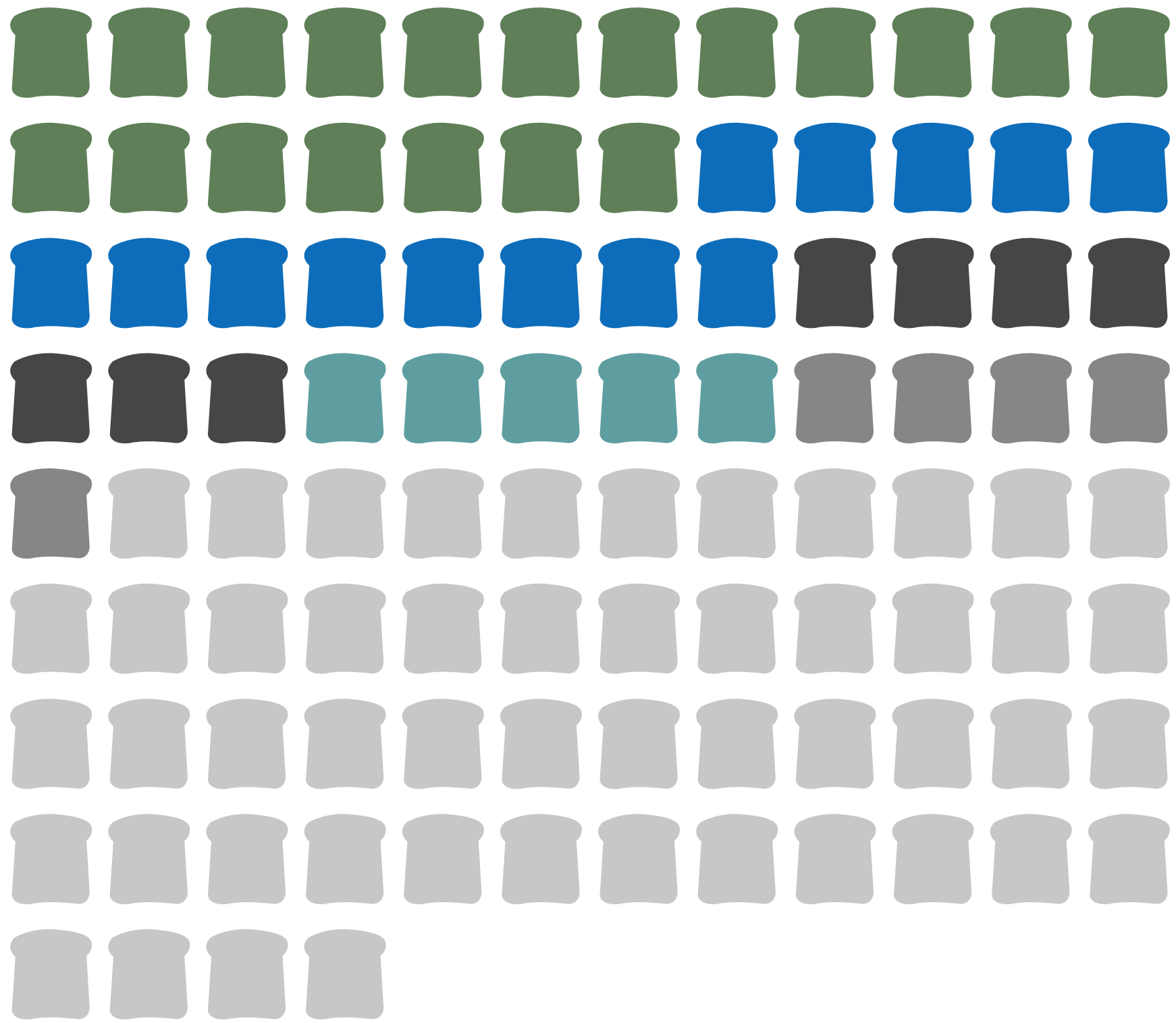
of intra-Africa imports are from countries outside ECOWAS

Main source markets



Main import products

- Wheat flour (19%)
- Uncooked pasta not containing eggs (13%)
- Towers and lattice masts, of iron or steel (7%)
- Diesel goods vehicles (5%)
- Pasta, cooked (5%)
- Other (51%)



African imports from outside ECOWAS are levied MFN applied duties (ECOWAS CET)

Of the top 20 products Niger imports from African countries outside ECOWAS, the only products imported duty-free are medicines, diagnostic reagents and completely knocked down units of diesel goods vehicles. Most imports are levied 20% import duties, including wheat flour, pasta, second-hand clothes, Portland cement and prepared sardines. 35% duties are applicable to imports of fully built diesel goods vehicles and soaps, while 5% duties are levied on imports of steel towers, protein concentrates, dates, wheat groats and meal, unsweetened milk and cream and certain medium oils.

High MFN applied duties

-  Frozen chicken cuts and edible offal (35%)
-  Fully-built diesel goods vehicles (35%)
-  Bread, pastry, cakes and biscuits (35%)
-  Soaps & surface-active agents (35%)
-  Wheat flour (20%)
-  Second-hand clothing (20%)
-  Portland cement (20%)
-  Prepared/preserved sardines (20%)
-  Cooked and uncooked pasta (20%)

- ## Low MFN applied duties
-  Diagnostic/laboratory reagents (Duty-free)
 -  Medicaments (Duty-free)
 -  Completely knocked down diesel goods vehicles (Duty-free)
 -  Unsweetened milk and cream (5%)
 -  Kerosene & light and heavy fuel oil (5%)
 -  Towers/lattice masts of iron/steel (5%)
 -  Dates (5%)
 -  Protein concentrates (5%)
 -  Groats & meal of wheat (5%)