

# BURKINA FASO



## Intra-Africa trade and tariff profile



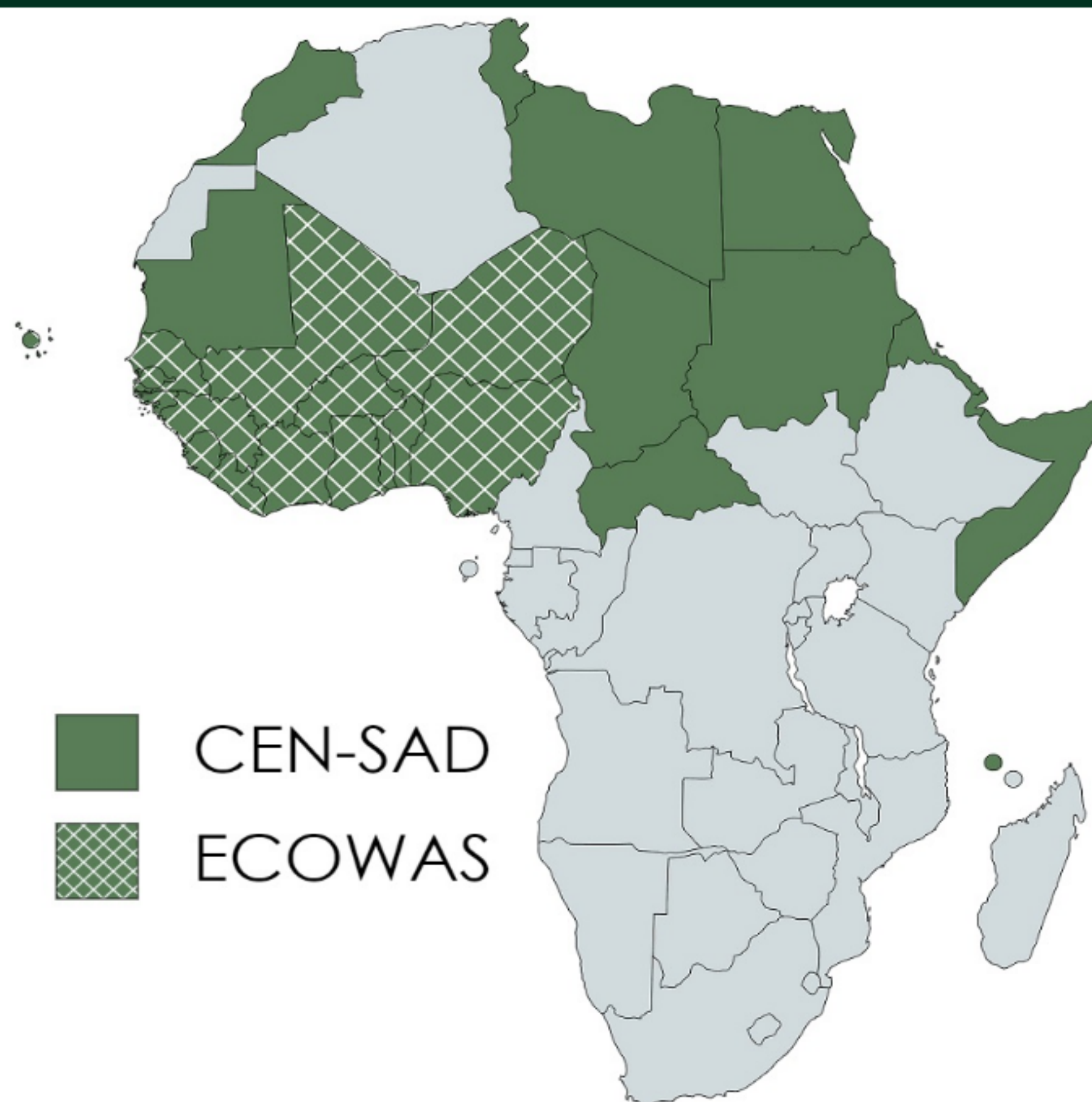
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### Regional Economic Communities

Burkina Faso is a member of both the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and the Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD)

CEN-SAD currently has 24 member states aspiring to the establishment of an Economic Union which includes the free movement of goods. Although CEN-SAD was revived in 2013 with a revision of the CEN-SAD Treaty there is still no free trade agreement in place.

All 15 ECOWAS countries 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). In 2017 Mauritania and ECOWAS signed an Association Agreement for the re-admission of Mauritania to the REC by 2019; Morocco's application to join ECOWAS has been granted 'in principle', but is awaiting final approval and Tunisia has recently obtained ECOWAS observer status.



### EXPORTS

13%

of Burkina Faso's total exports are intra-Africa



Unwrought Zinc (45%)



Other oil seeds (9%)



Gold (7%)



Coconuts; Brazil nuts (5%)

### IMPORTS

26%

of Burkina Faso's total imports are intra-Africa



Petroleum oils (31%)



Cement (10%)



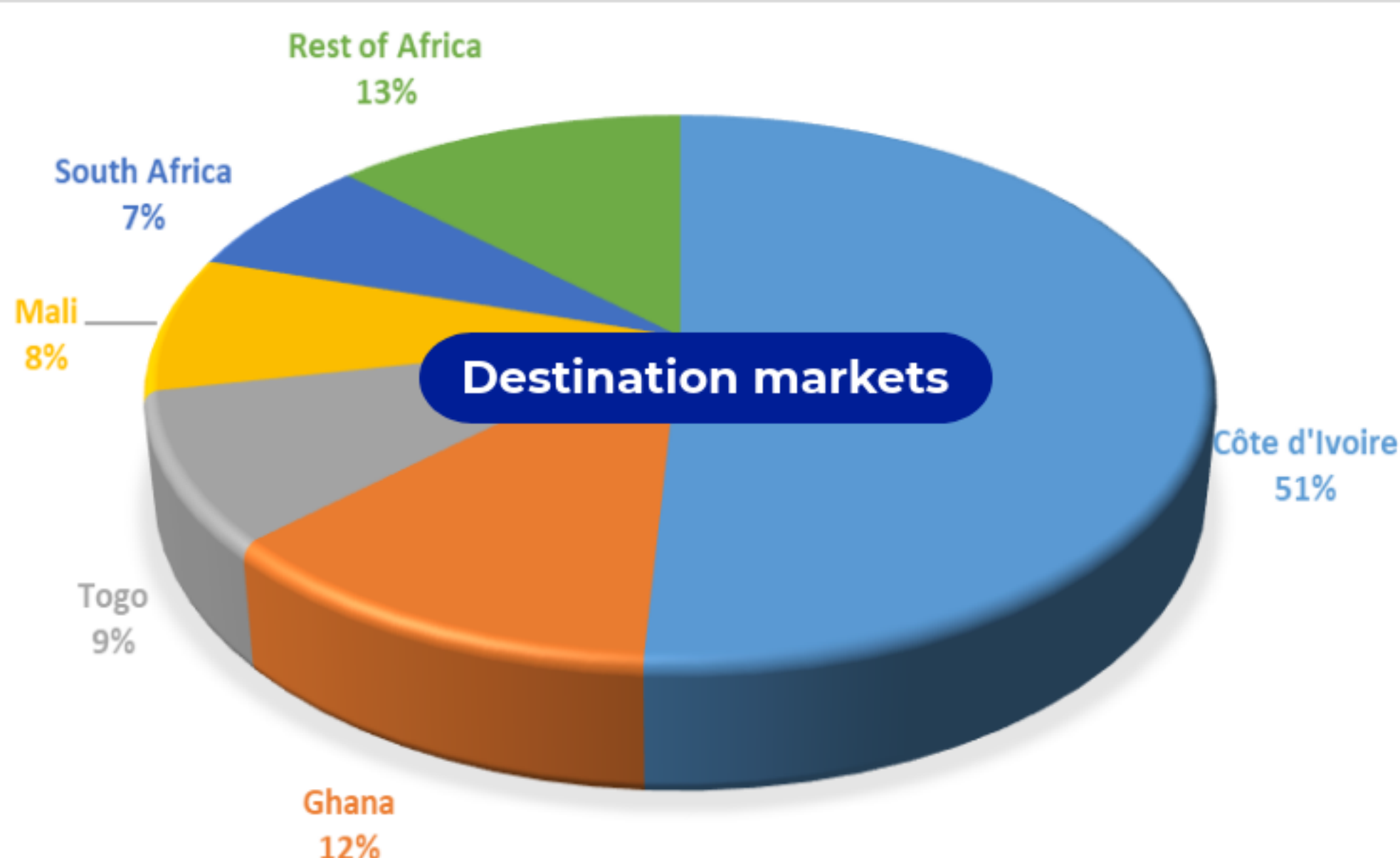
Mineral and chemical fertilizers (7%)



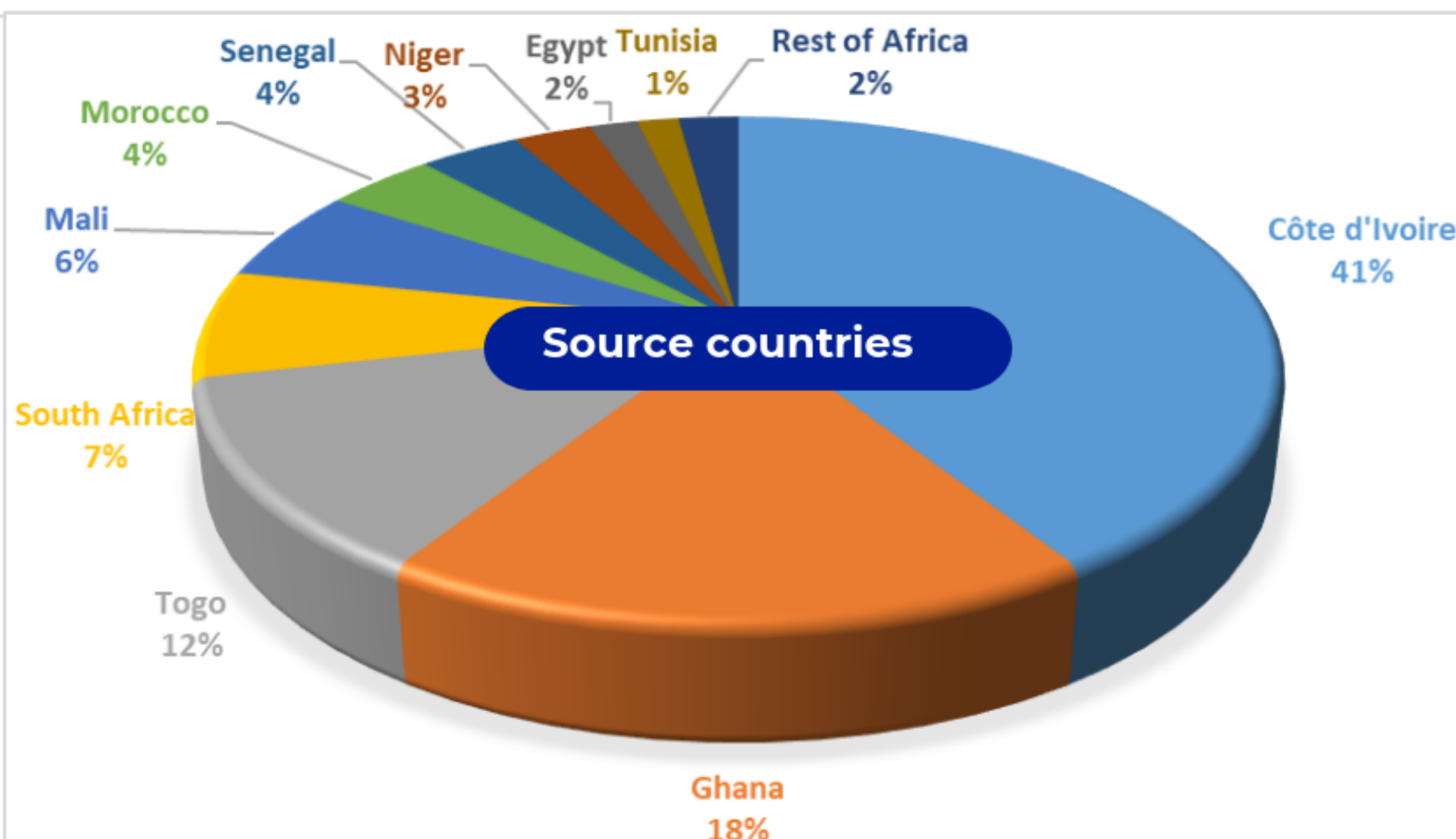
Electrical energy (6%)

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### Destination markets



### Source countries





A CET is currently being implemented in ECOWAS and all goods imported into Burkina Faso from other ECOWAS member states enter duty-free. However, imports from countries that are members of CEN-SAD are subject to duties, unless they are also members of ECOWAS.

African imports from outside ECOWAS are levied MFN applied duties

#### High simple average MFN applied duties

**Wheat & Maize flour**  
**Oils (soya-bean, ground-nut, palm, sunflower-seed, coconut)**  
**Sugar confectionery**  
**Cigars & Tobacco**

#### Duty free imports include

**Farming and gardening tools (HS82, HS83, HS84)**  
**Fertilizers (HS31)**  
**Printed books (HS49)**

### Highest ad valorem import duties



Wheat (35%)



Sugar confectionary (35%)



Maize flour (35%)



Cigar & Tobacco (35%)



Oils (soya-bean, ground-nut, palm, sunflower-seed, coconut) (35%)



Chewing gum (35%)

#### Burkina Faso imports from Africa excluding ECOWAS countries

	2017 (US\$ millions)	%Share	Average tariff	Max tariff
<b>All products</b>	<b>73</b>		<b>12%</b>	<b>13%</b>
Parts suitable for use machinery of heading 8425 to 8430, n.e.s.	9	13%	5%	5%
Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons	9	12%	10%	20%
Machinery for sorting, screening, separating, washing, crushing, grinding, mixing or kneading ...	6	8%	5%	5%
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excluding crude)	5	7%	9%	10%
Pumps for liquids, whether or not fitted with a measuring device (excluding ceramic pumps)	4	5%	6%	10%
Structures and parts of structures "e.g., bridges and bridge-sections, lock-gates, towers, ...	2	3%	9%	20%
Bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel, hot-rolled, in irregularly wound coils	2	2%	5%	5%
Machinery, plant or laboratory equipment whether or not electrically heated (excluding furnaces)	1	2%	8%	20%
Machines and mechanical appliances having individual functions, nes ...	1	2%	5%	5%
Petroleum gas and other gaseous hydrocarbons	1	2%	4%	5%
<b>Other products</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>44%</b>		

There is limited trade between Burkina Faso and African countries that are not ECOWAS members.

Burkina Faso should take advantages of the opportunities arising from the AfCFTA.

Source: ITC TradeMap (2018) and WTO Tariff Database (2018)