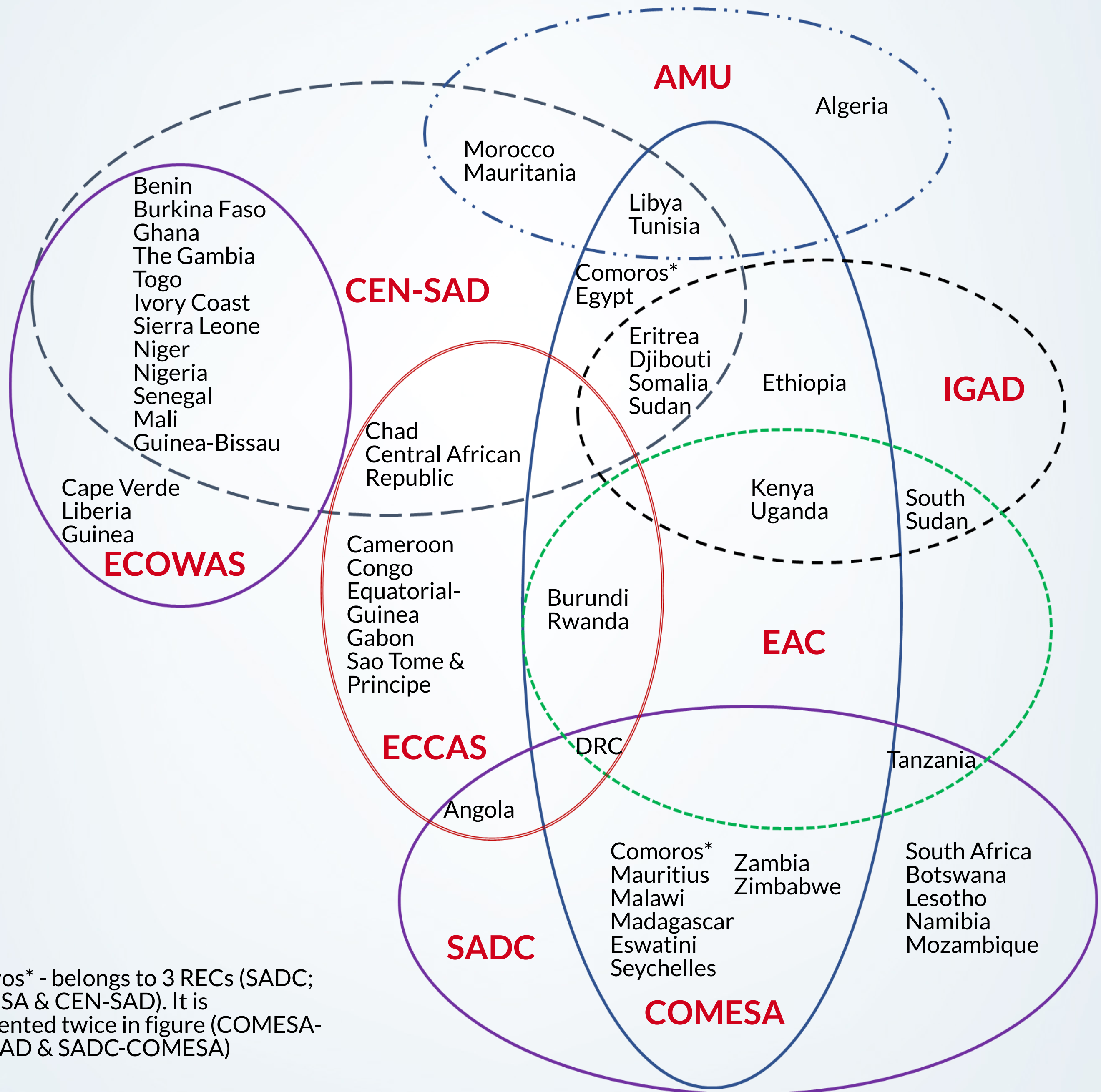


Intra- Africa trade by REC 2021 update

The African Union (AU) recognises 8 regional economic communities (RECs) which are at different levels of integration.
The REC FTAs are the building blocks of the AfCFTA



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7%

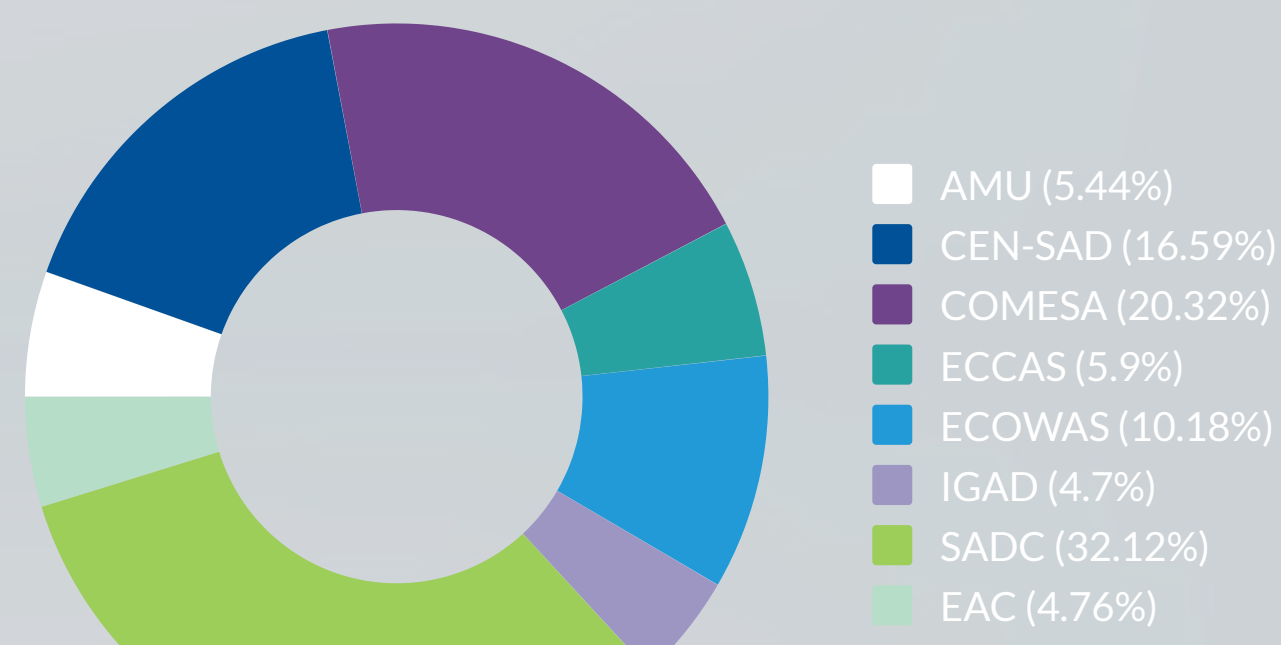
Total Intra-Africa trade (2021)

US\$71 billion 14% share of world trade

Trade performance by REC (2011 - 2020)

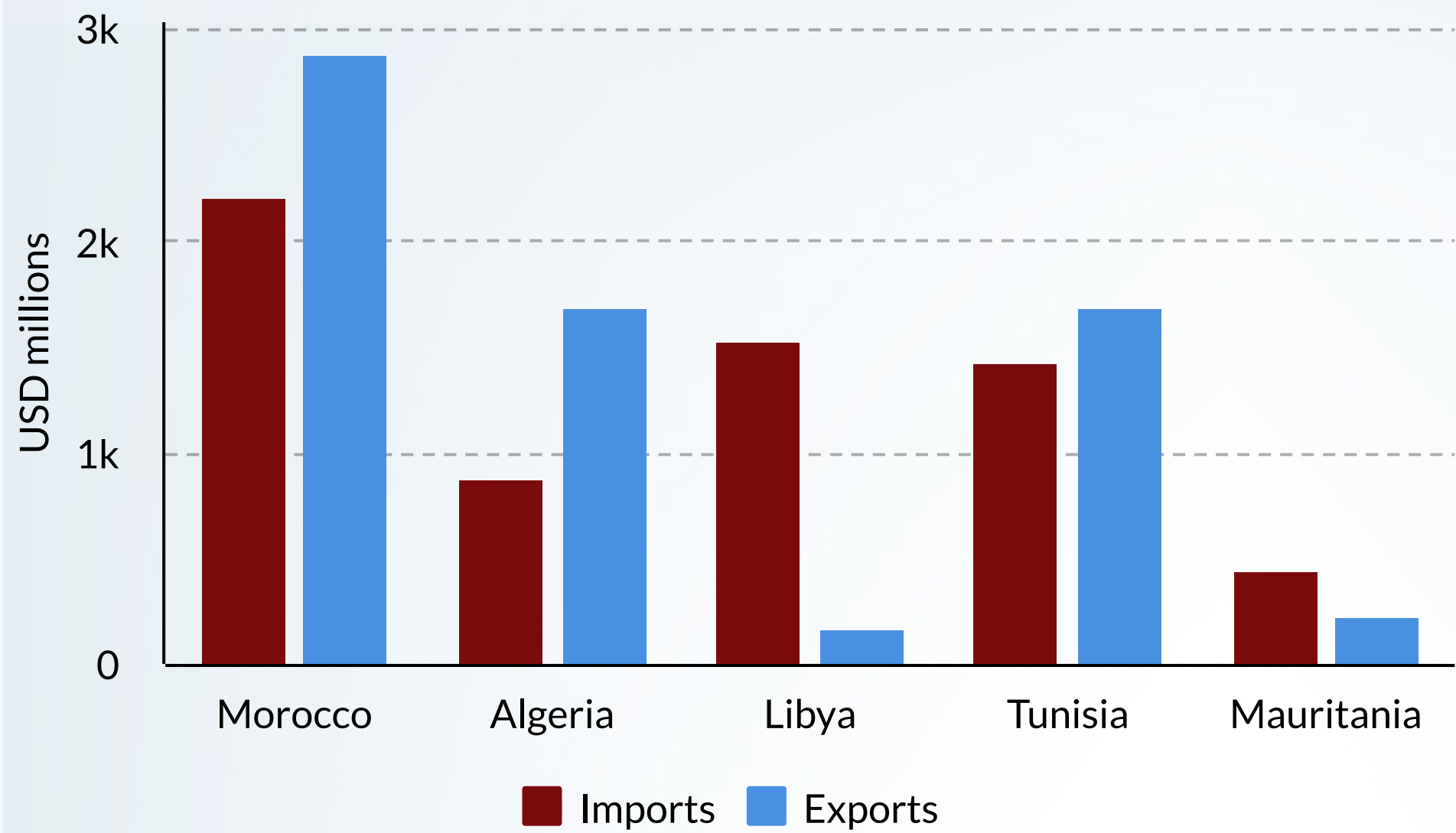


REC share of intra-Africa trade (2021)

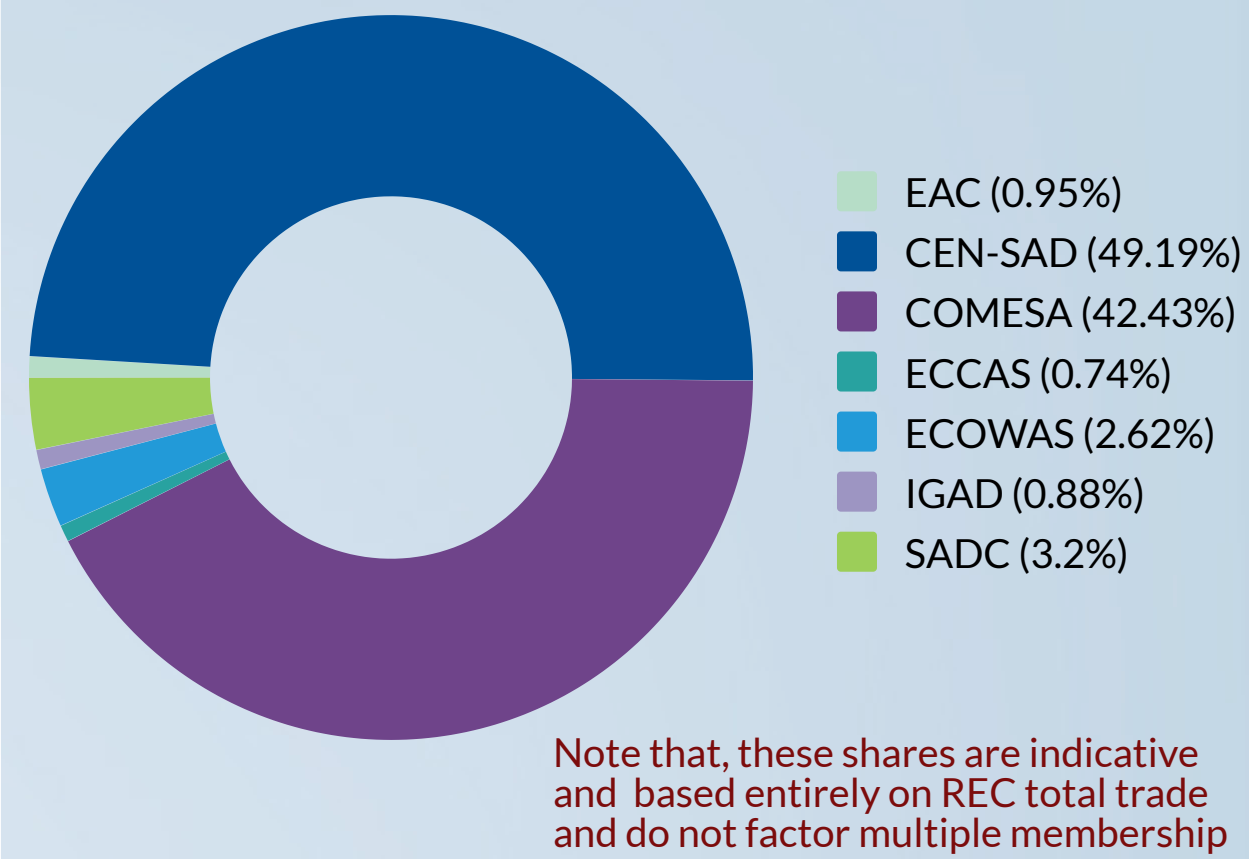


The Arab Magreb Union (AMU)

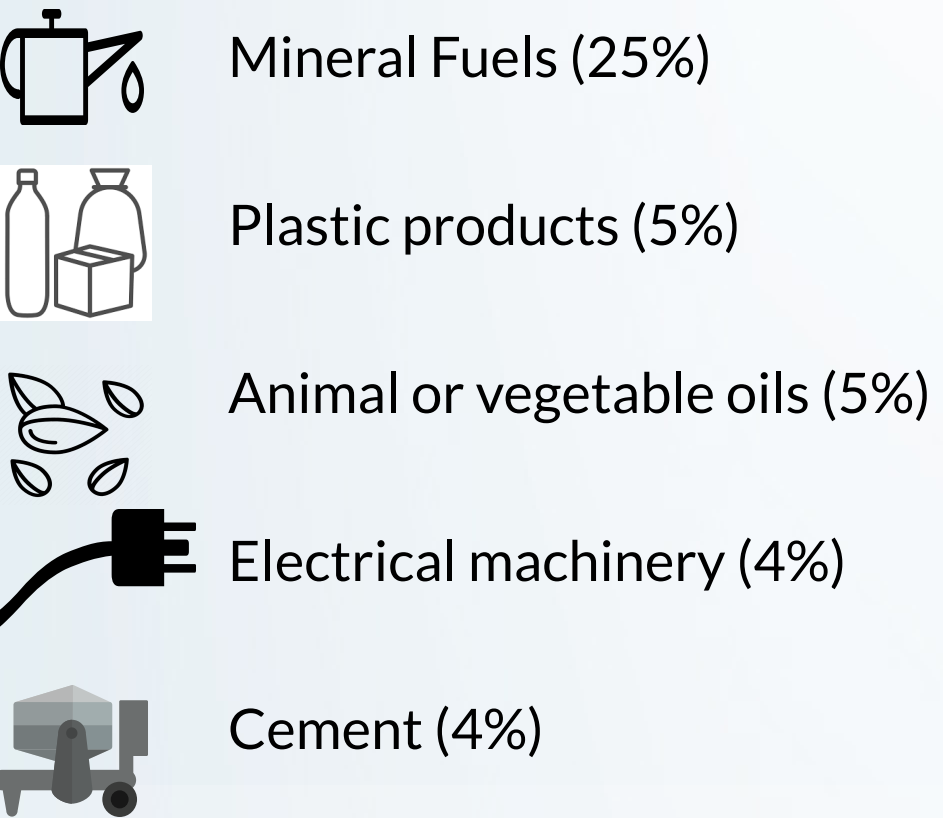
AMU Intra-Africa Trade (2021)



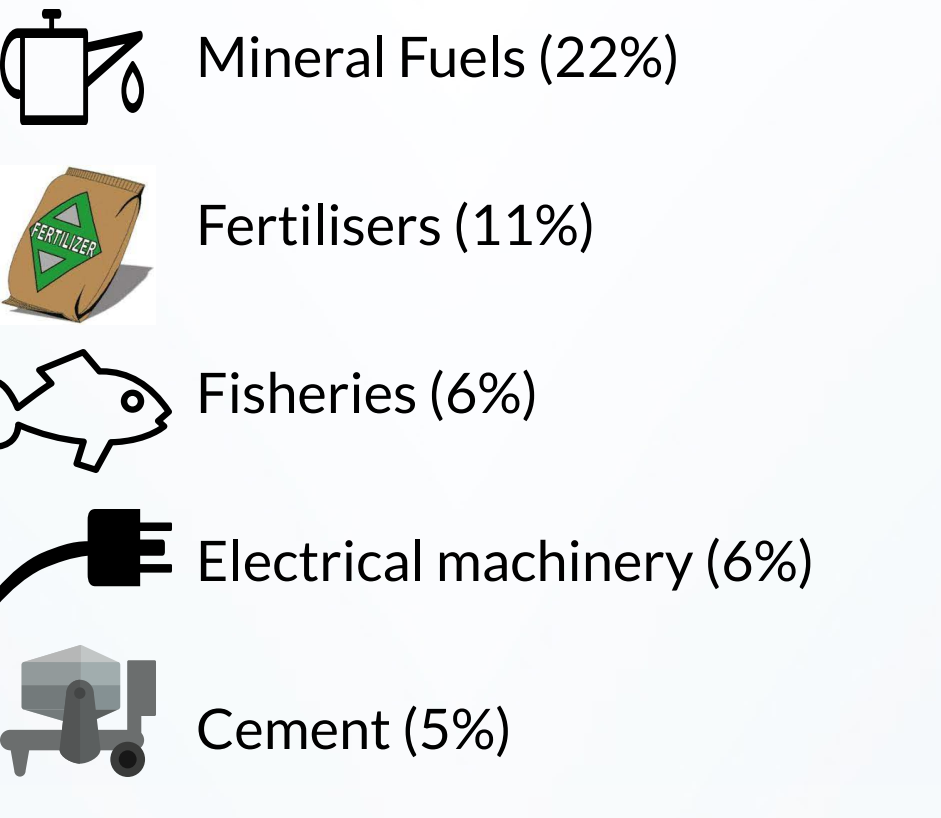
AMU share of intra-Africa trade by REC (2021)



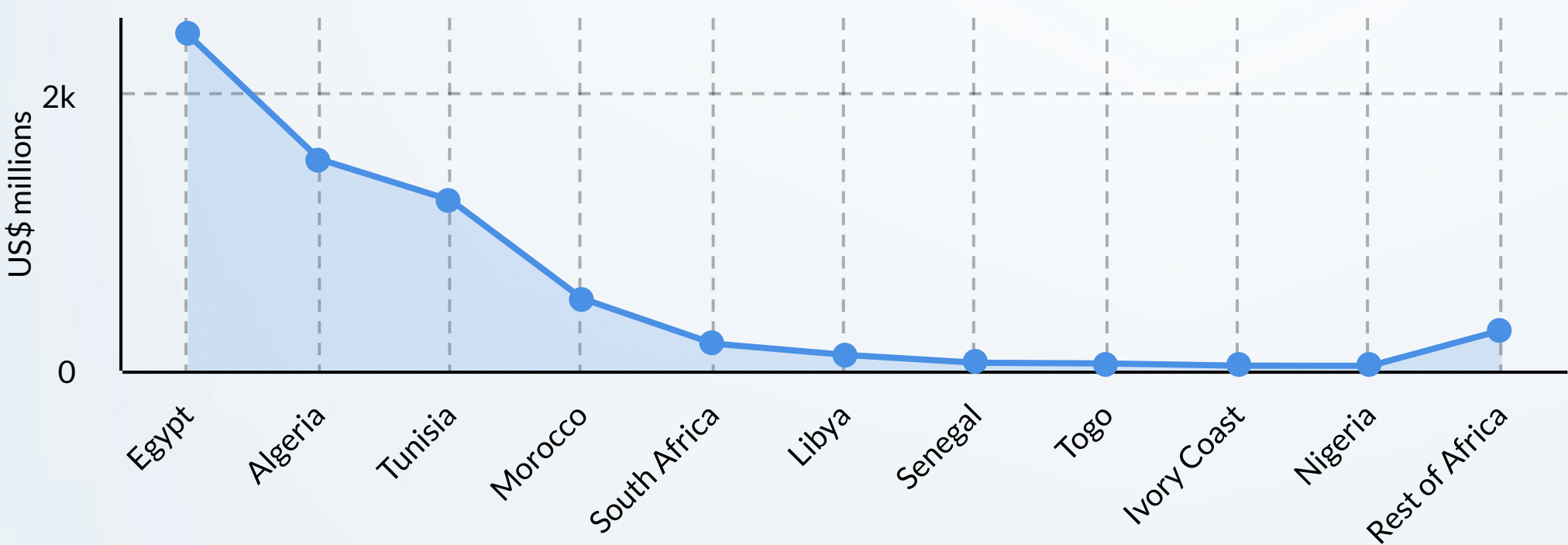
AMU Intra-Africa top import products (2021)



AMU Intra-Africa top export products (2021)



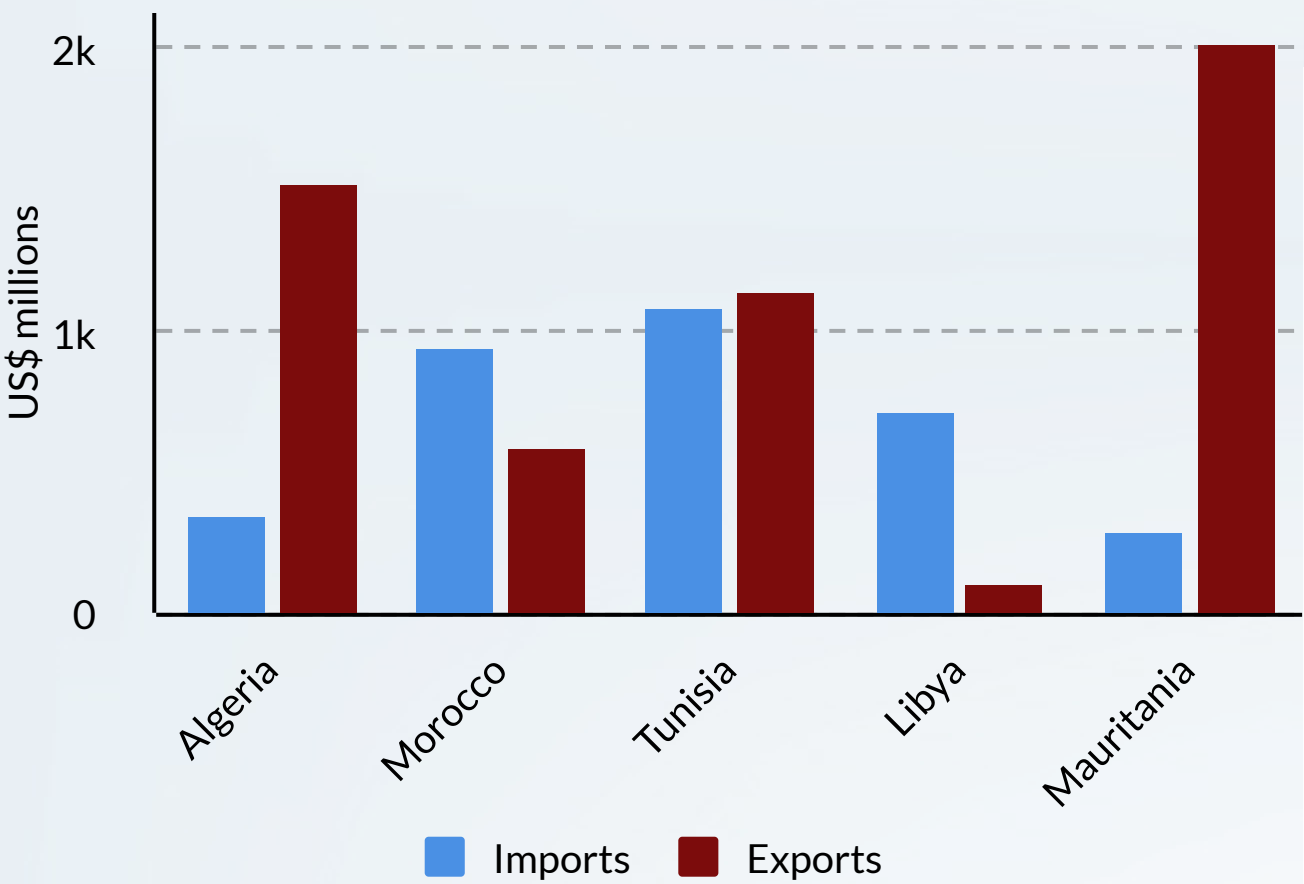
AMU Intra-Africa import sources



AMU Intra-Africa export destinations



AMU Intra-REC trade - imports and exports (2020)



26% of AMU Intra-REC trade accounts for its intra-Africa trade

Mauritania dominates exports and is the least intra-AMU importer

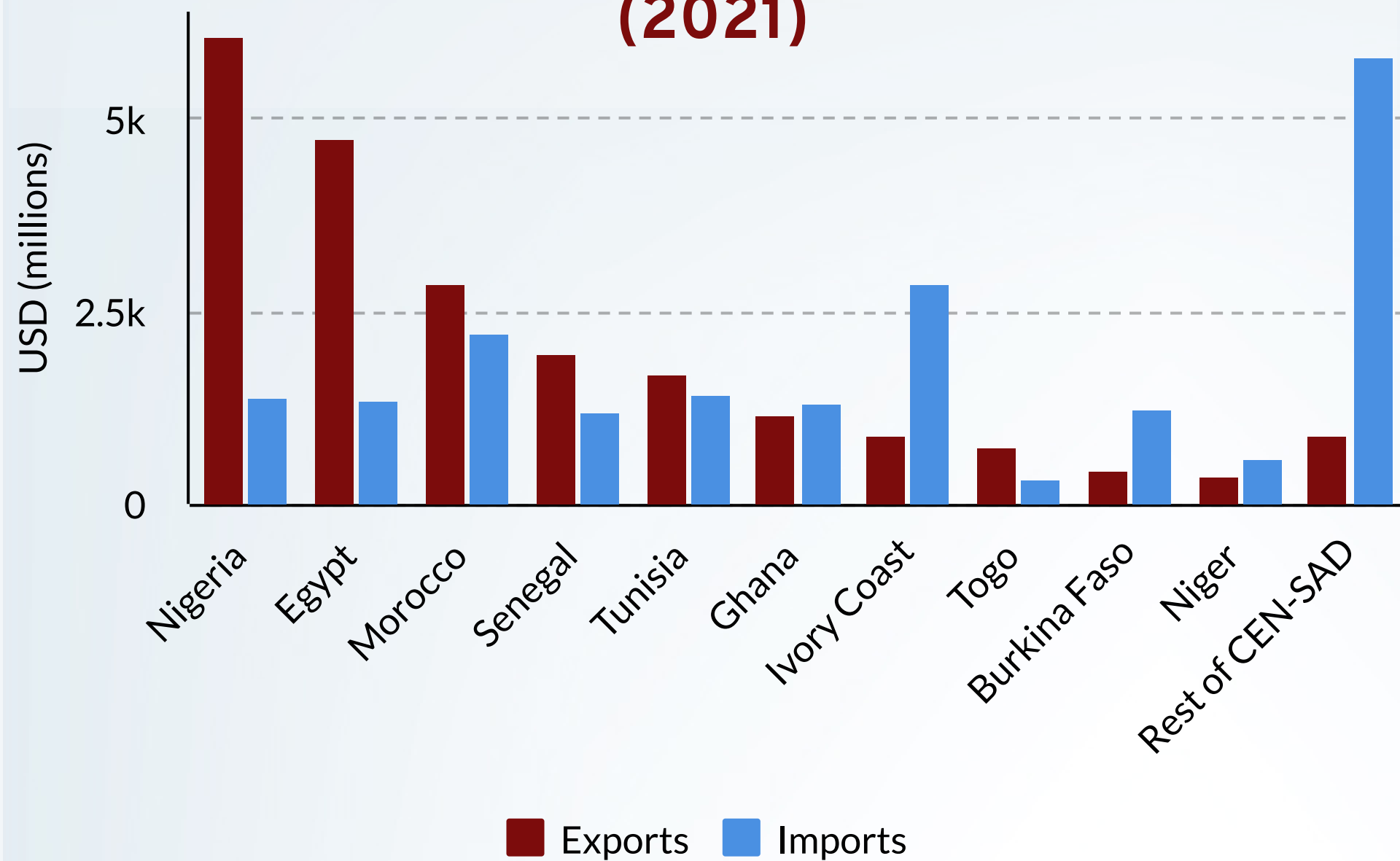
Tunisia is the top importer from the REC

Libya barely exports to other AMU members

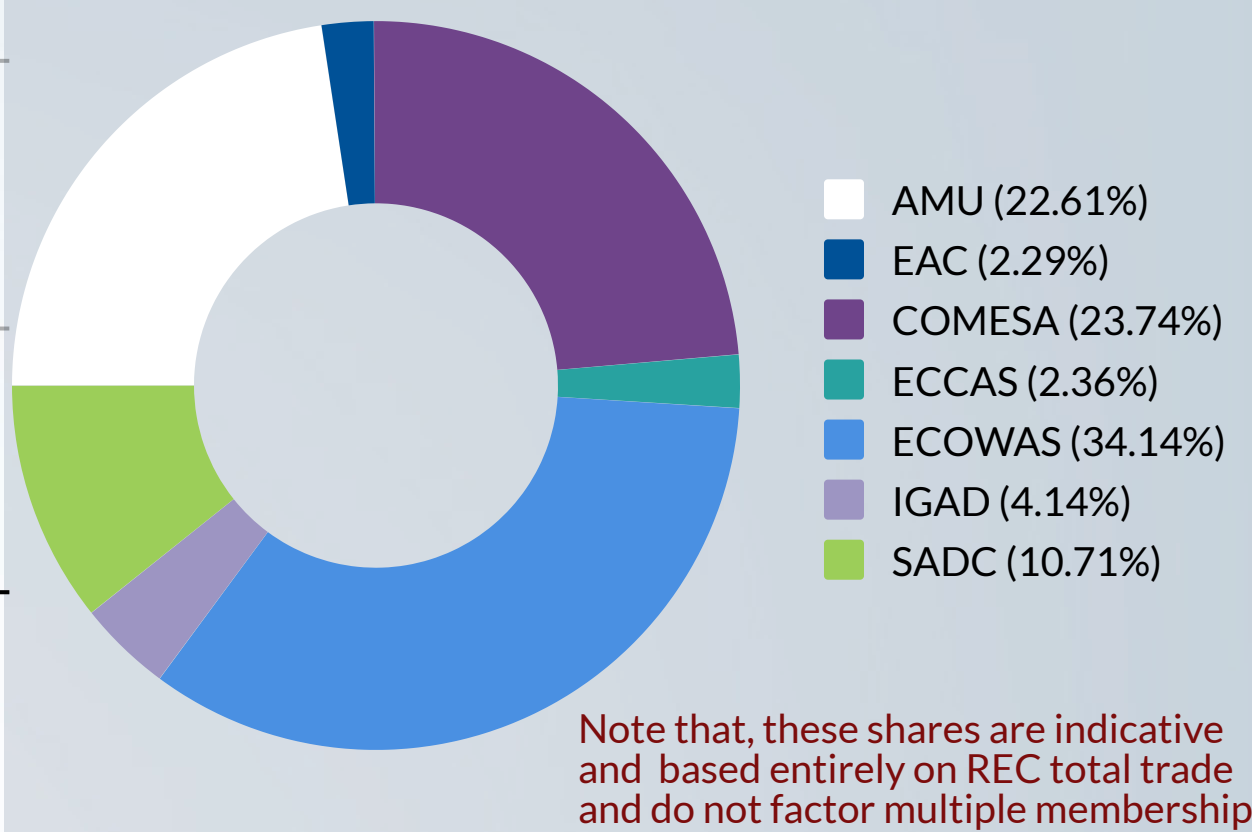
AMU does not have a free trade agreement (FTA)

The Community of Sahel Saharan States (CEN-SAD)

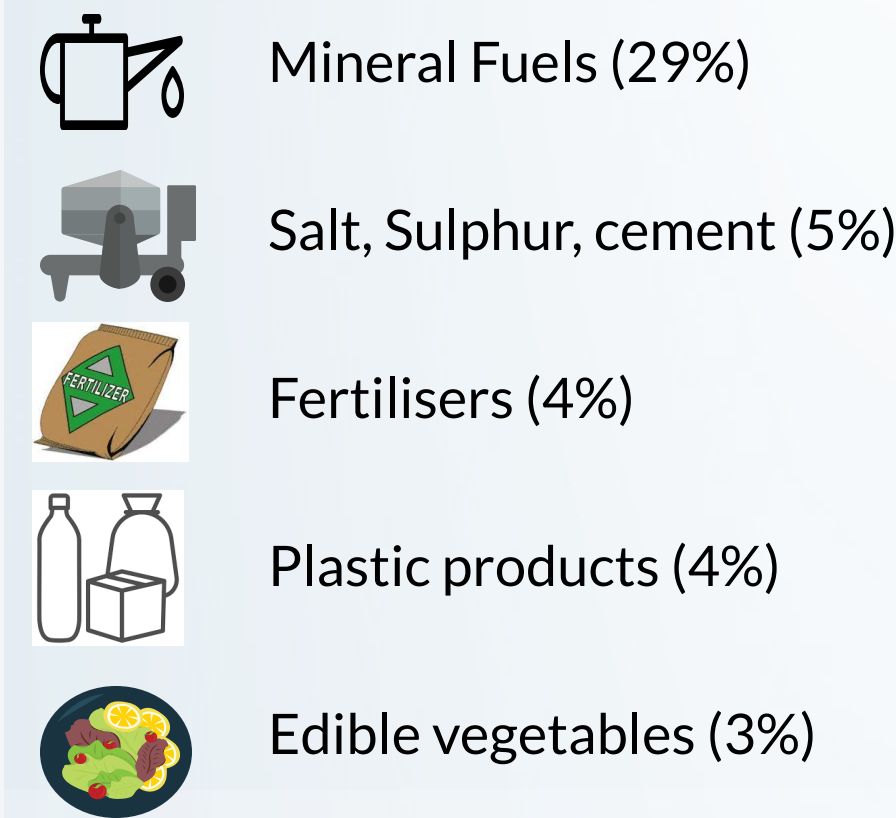
CEN-SAD Intra-Africa Trade (2021)



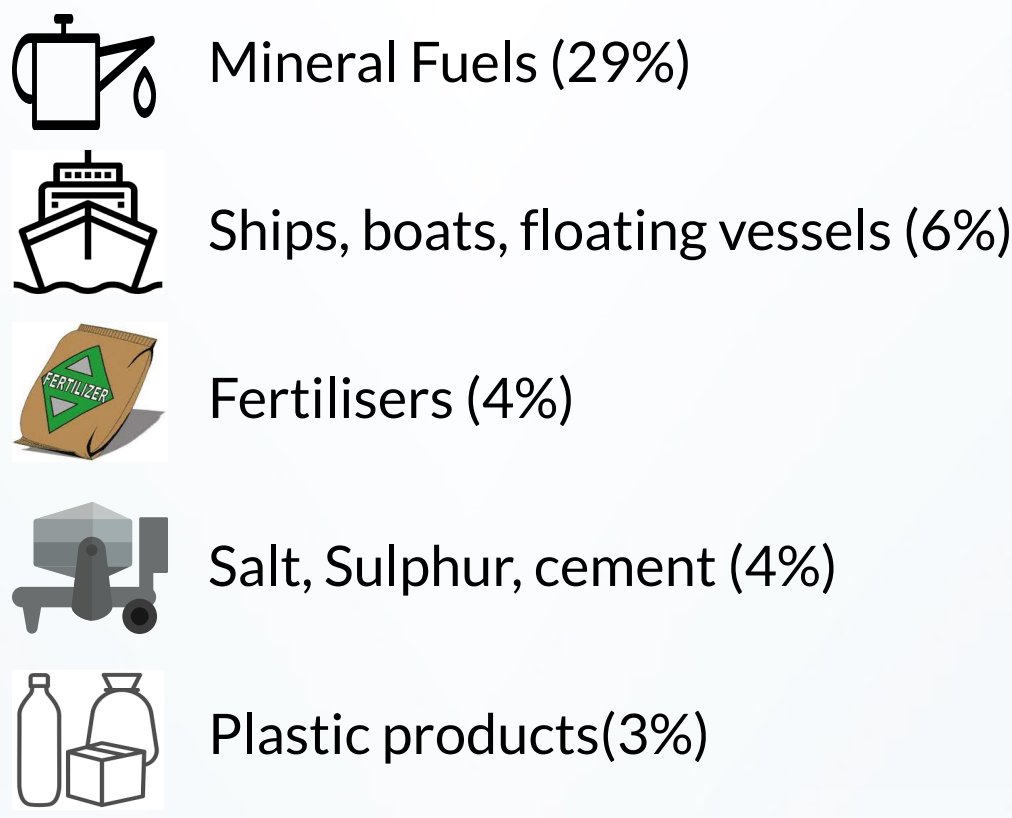
CEN-SAD share of intra-Africa trade by REC (2021)



CEN-SAD Intra-Africa top import products (2021)



CEN-SAD Intra-Africa top export products (2021)



3%

Intra-Africa total trade growth (2020-2021)

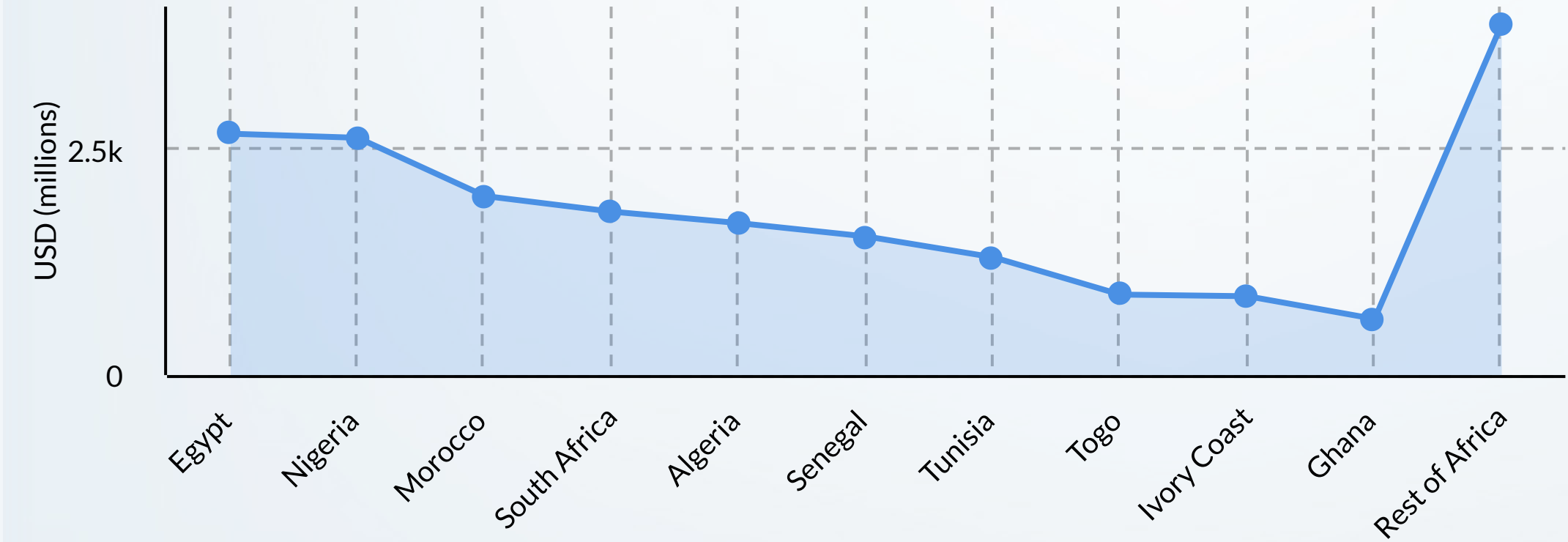
US\$42 bn

Intra-Africa total trade (2021)

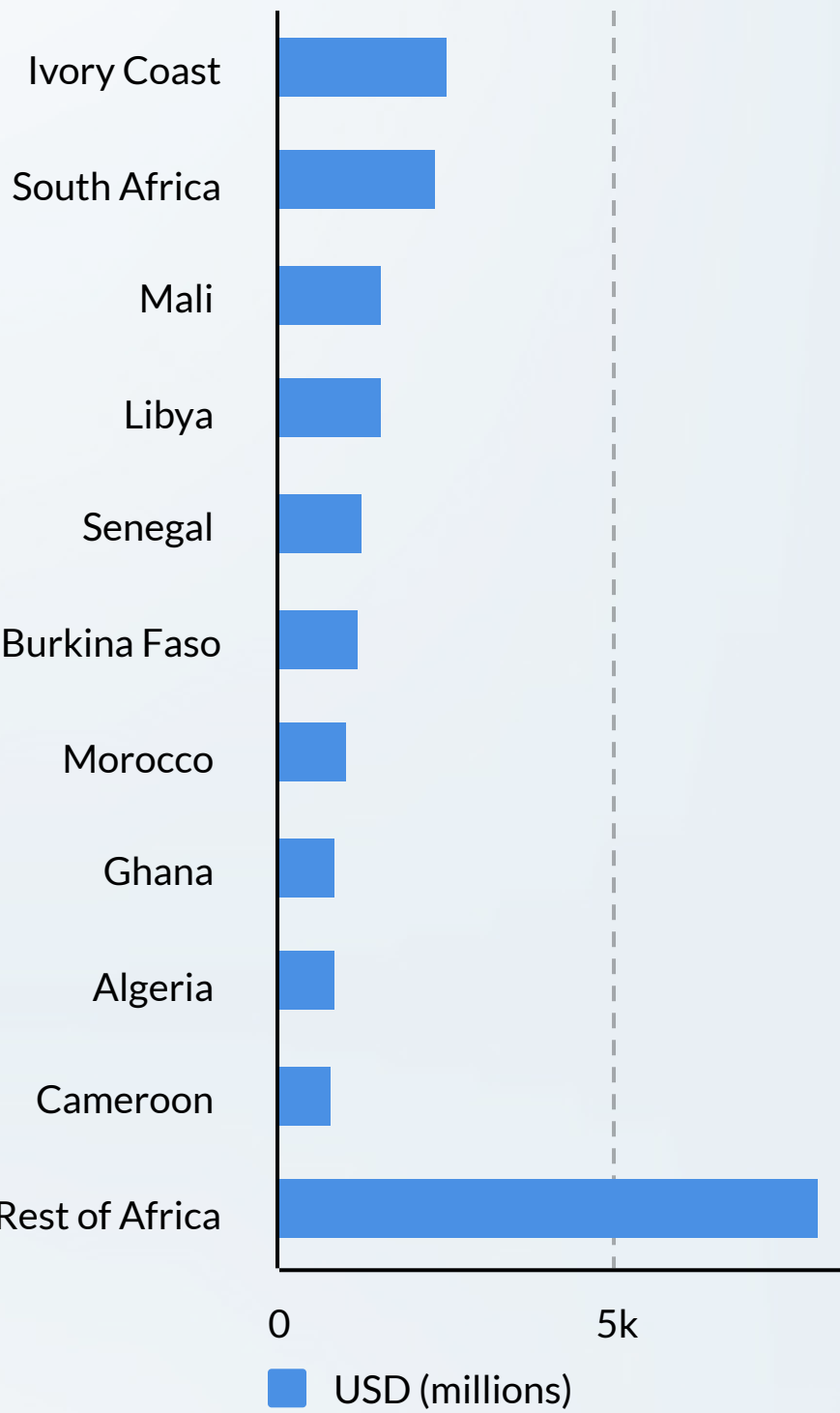
US\$14.3 bn

Intra-REC trade (2021)

CEN-SAD Intra-Africa import sources



CEN-SAD Intra-Africa export destinations



CEN-SAD Intra-REC trade - imports and exports (2021)



33% CEN-SAD Intra-REC trade accounts for its intra-Africa trade

Nigeria dominates exports while imports from Rest of CEN-SAD account for 50% of intra-REC imports

Top 5 CEN-SAD intra-REC exporters account for 75% of exports

Egypt, the second largest exporter barely imports from CEN-SAD

CEN-SAD has not yet established an FTA but its members belong to other REC FTAs

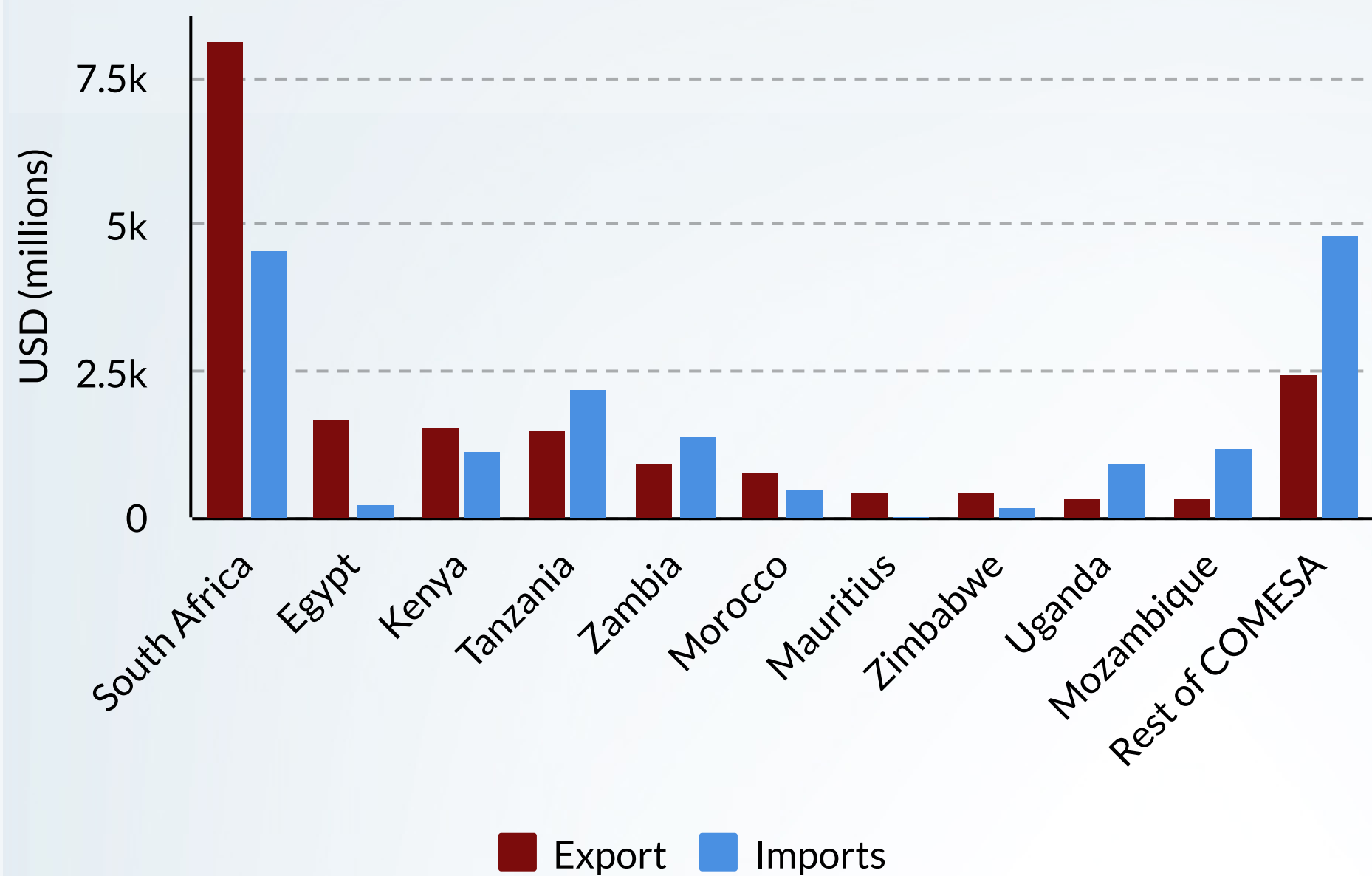


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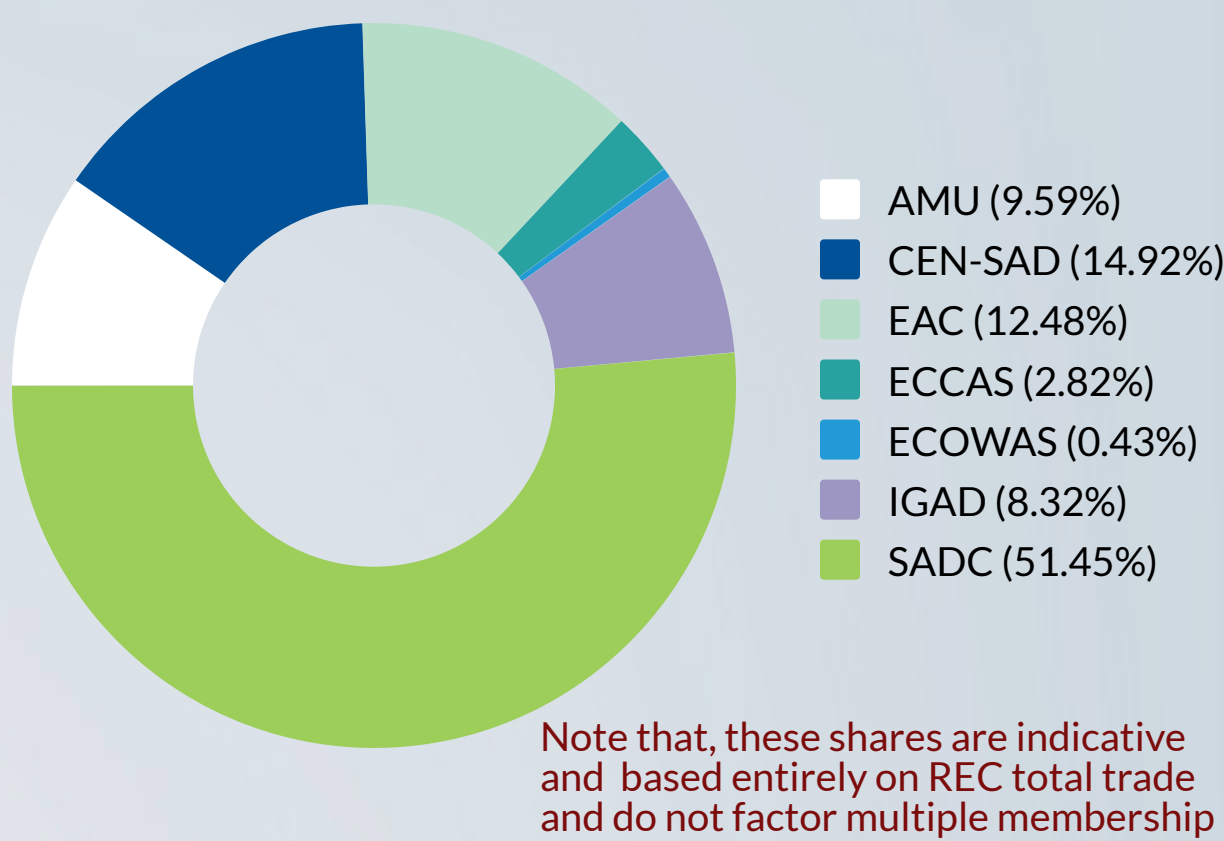


The Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)

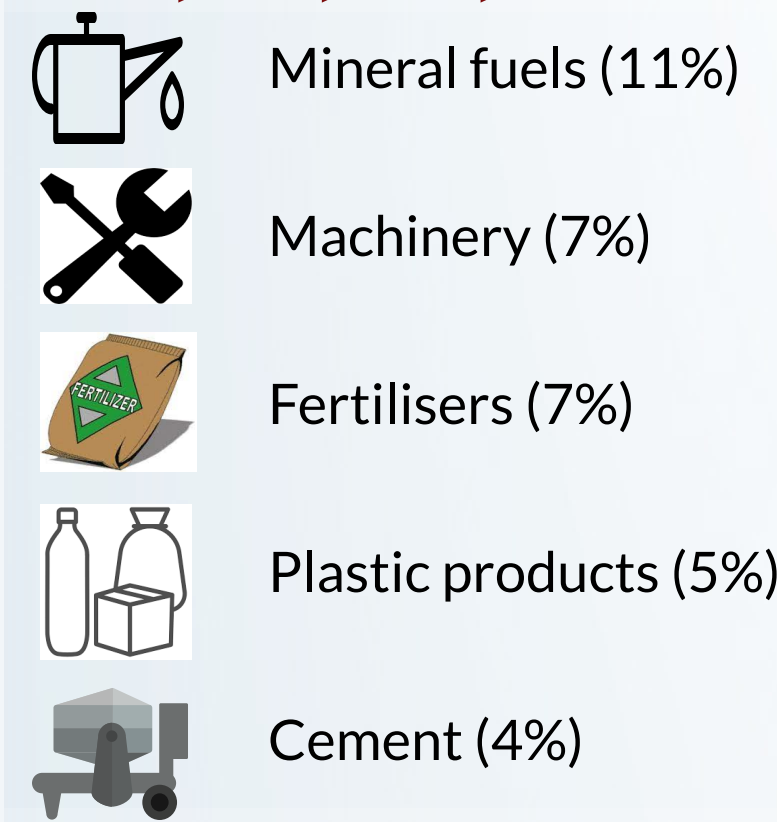
COMESA Intra-Africa Trade (2021)



COMESA share of intra-Africa trade by REC (2021)



COMESA Intra-Africa top import products (2021)



COMESA Intra-Africa top export products (2021)



6%

Intra-Africa total trade growth (2020-2021)



US\$44.2 bn

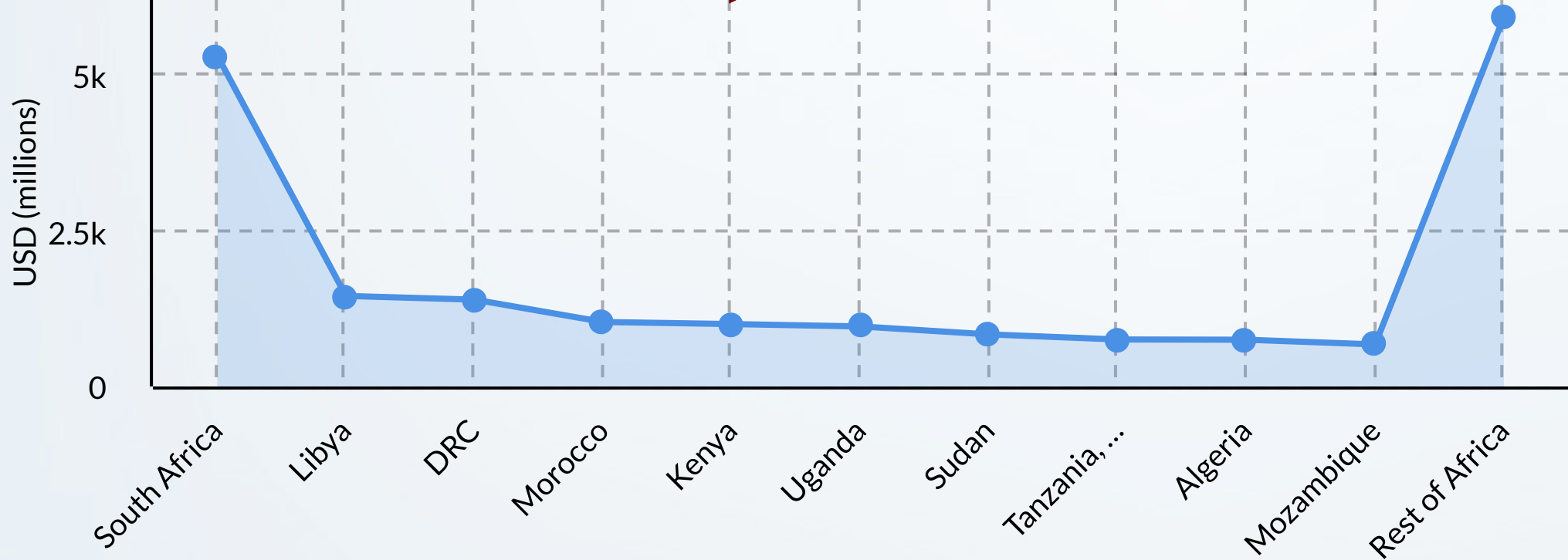
Intra-Africa total trade (2021)



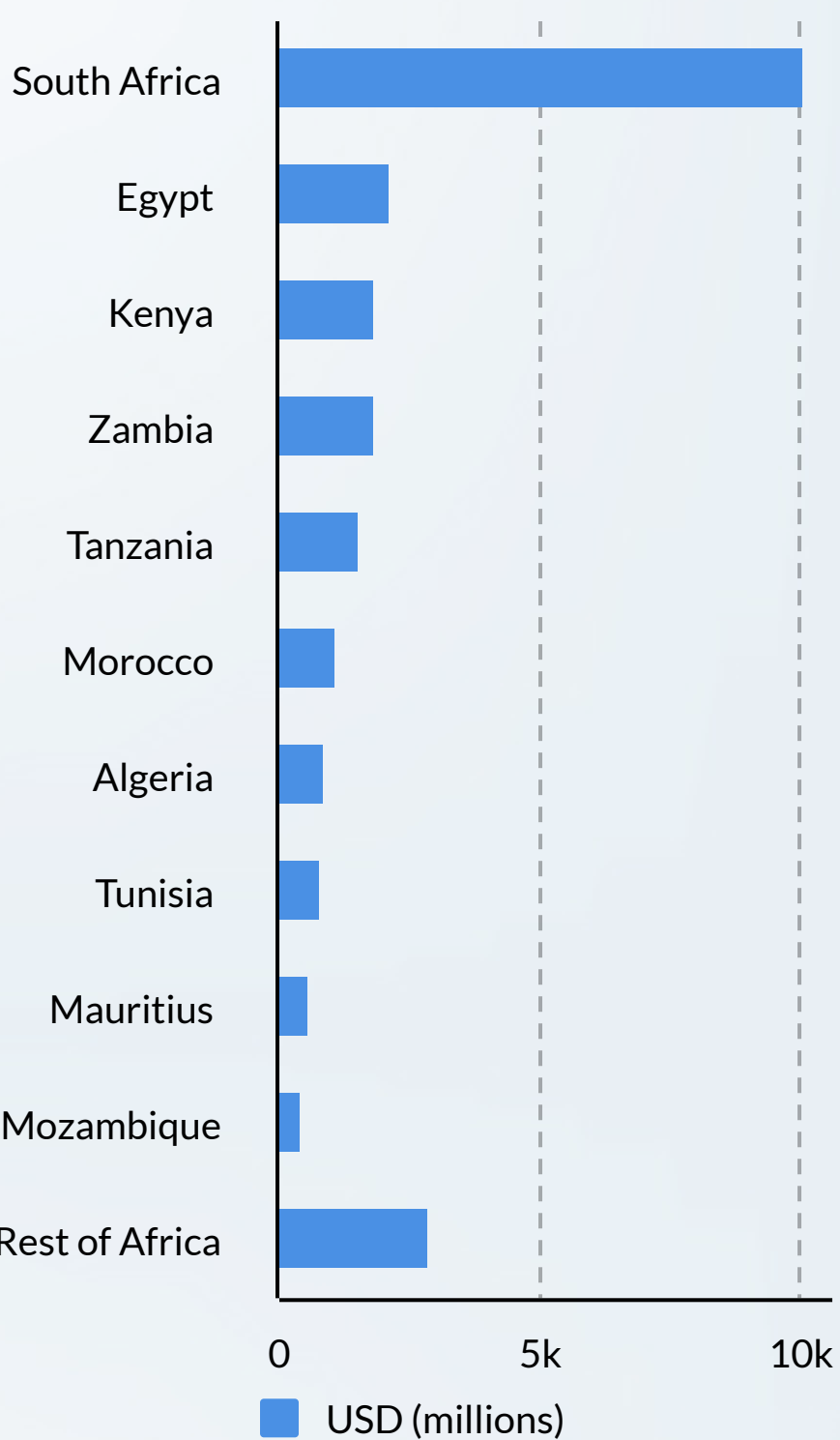
US\$9.2 bn

Intra-REC trade (2021)

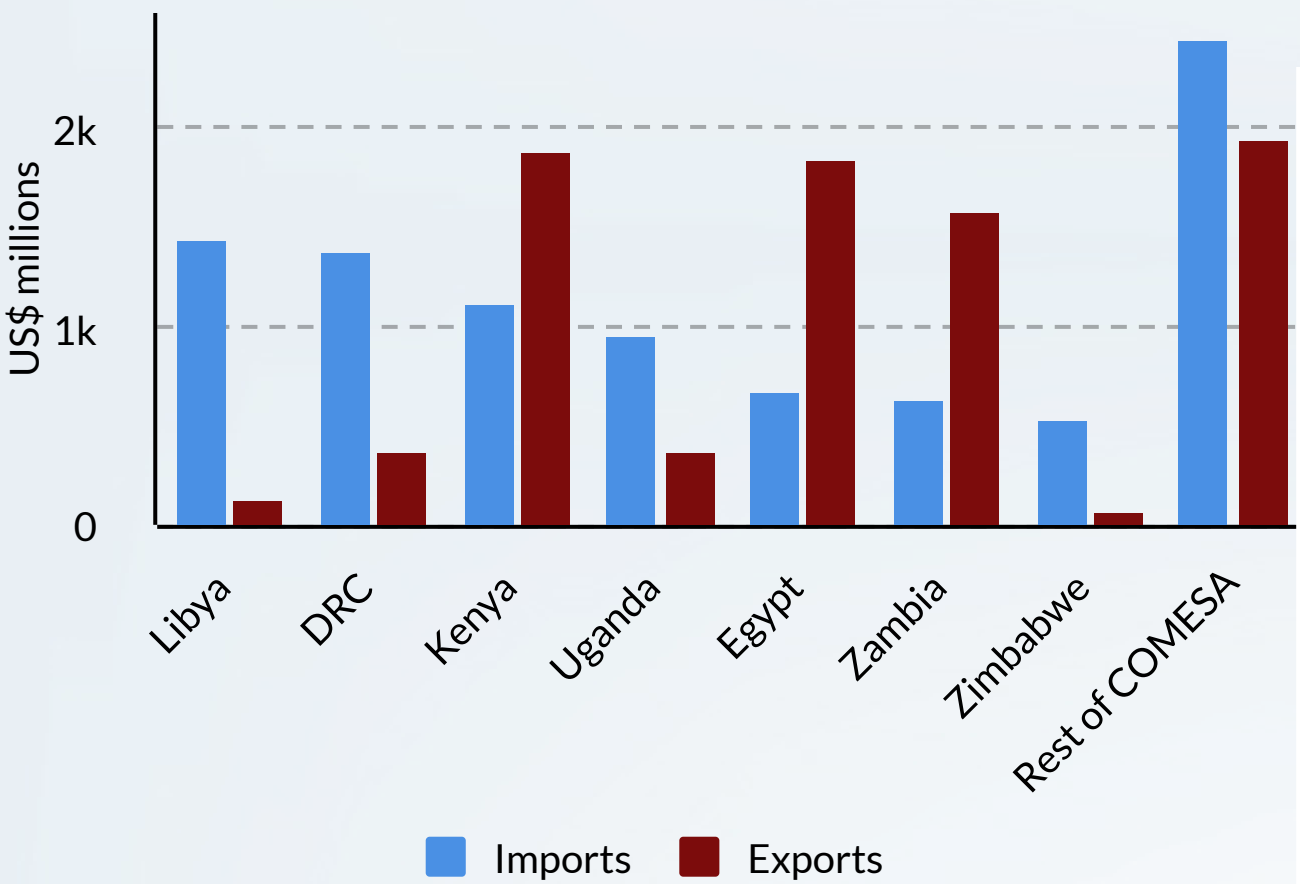
COMESA Intra-Africa import sources



COMESA Intra-Africa export destinations



COMESA Intra-REC trade - imports and exports (2021)



21% of COMESA Intra-REC trade accounts for its intra-Africa trade

Kenya, Egypt, Zambia and Uganda are the top exporters in terms of intra-REC exports

Intra-REC top importers
Libya, DRC, Kenya, Uganda, Egypt, and Zambia.

Top 6 intra-REC importers account for 73% of intra-REC imports

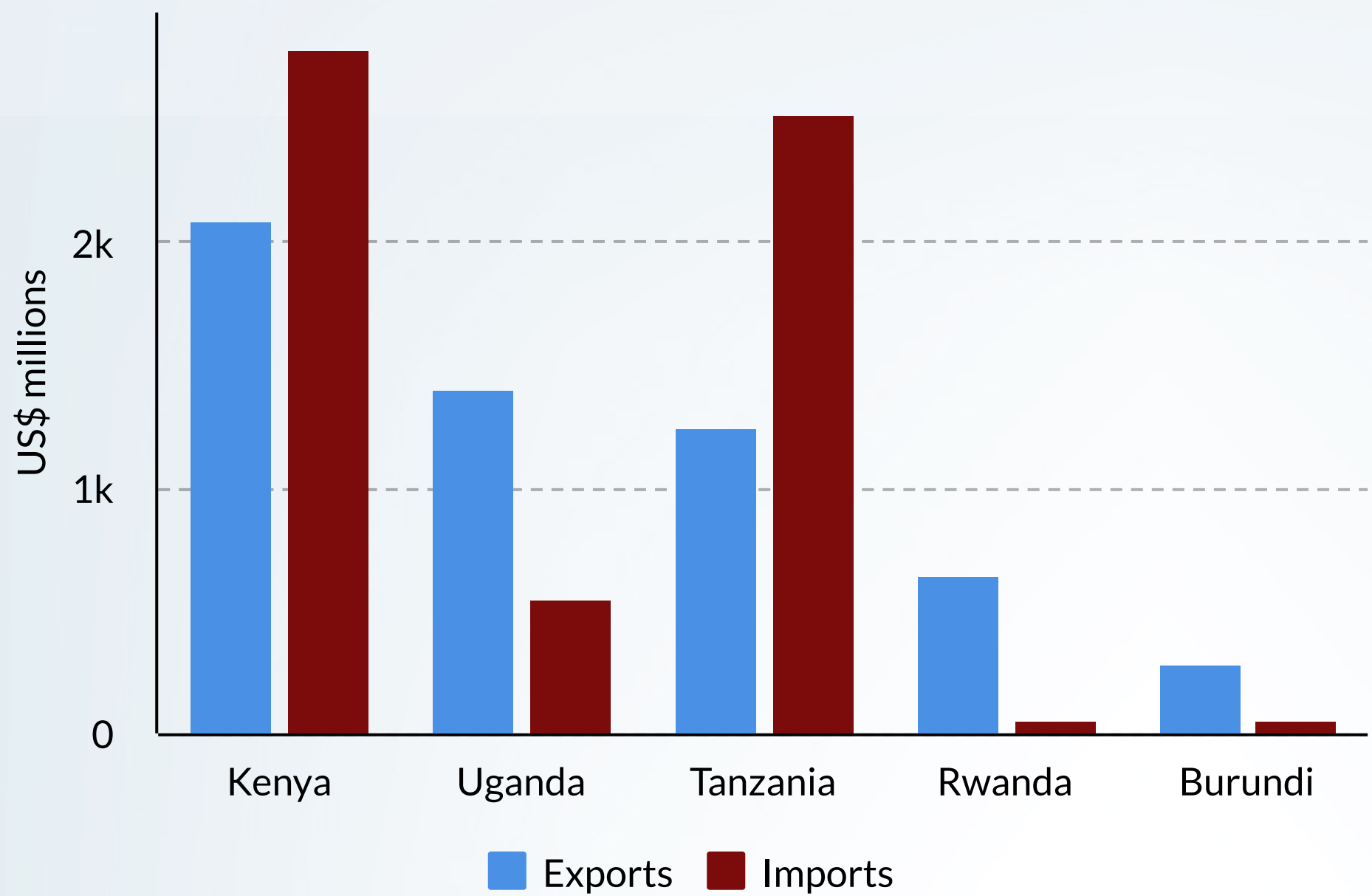


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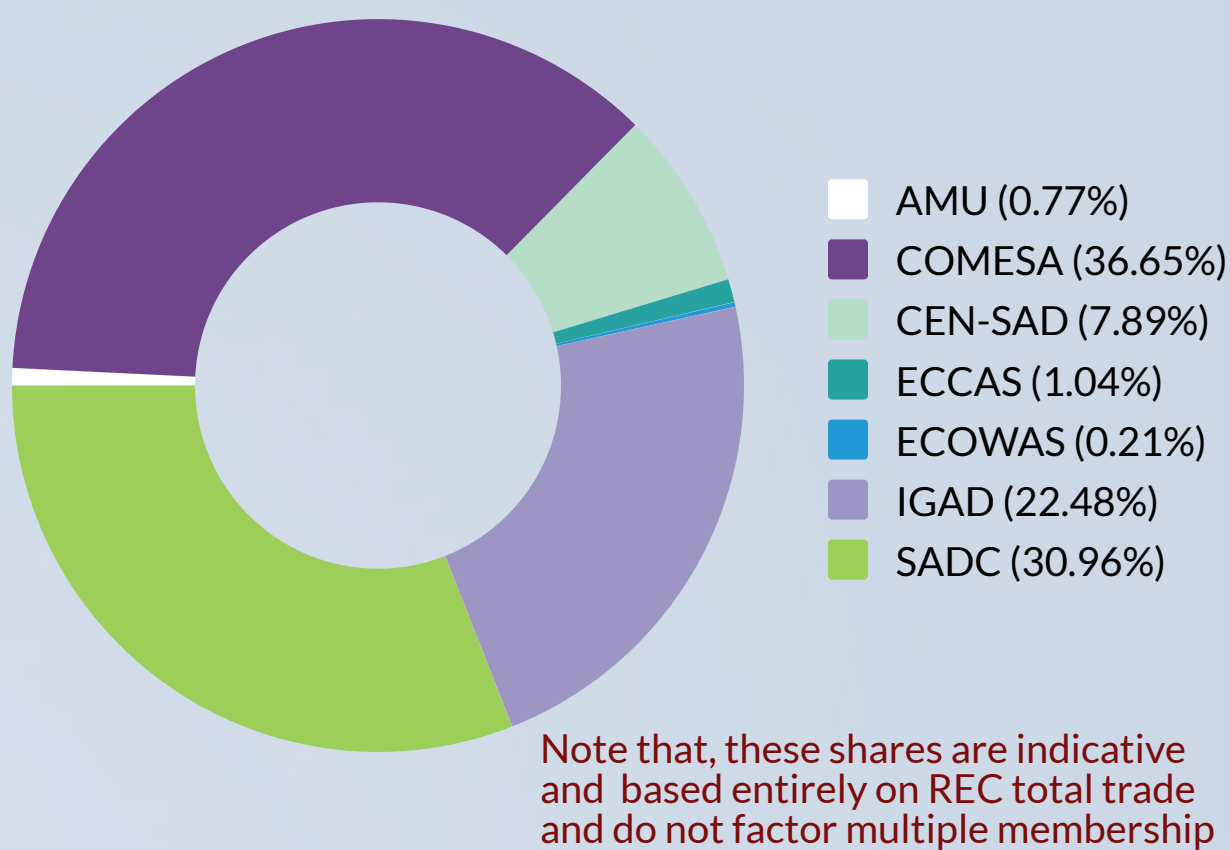


The East African Community (EAC)

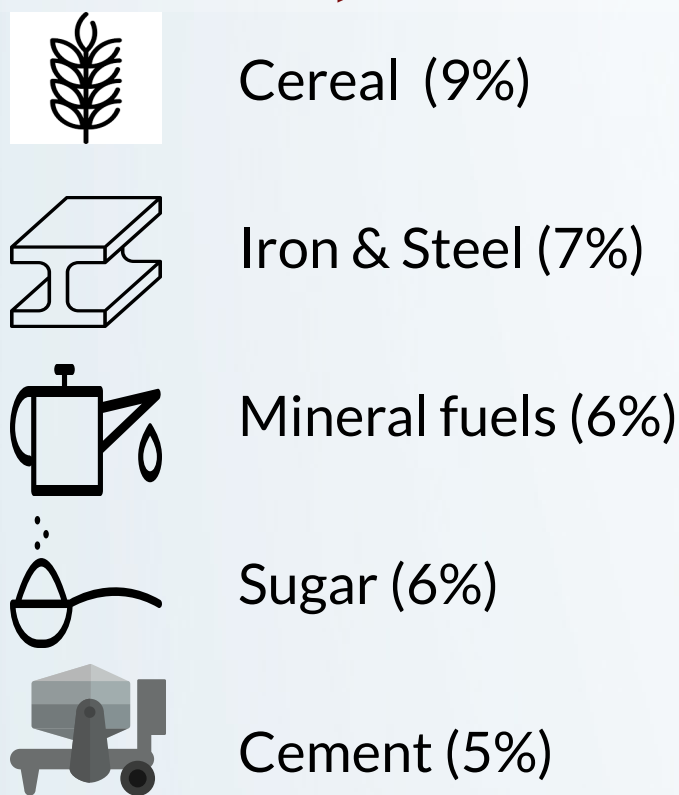
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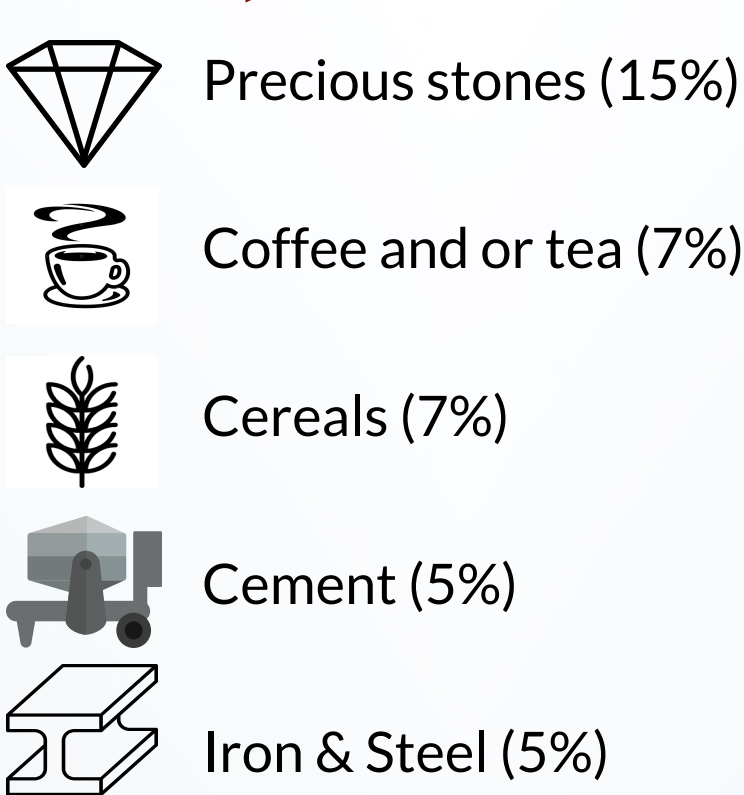
EAC share of intra-Africa trade by REC (2021)



EAC Intra-Africa top import products (2021)



EAC Intra-Africa top export products (2021)



-6%

Intra-Africa total trade growth (2020-2021)



US\$11.6 bn

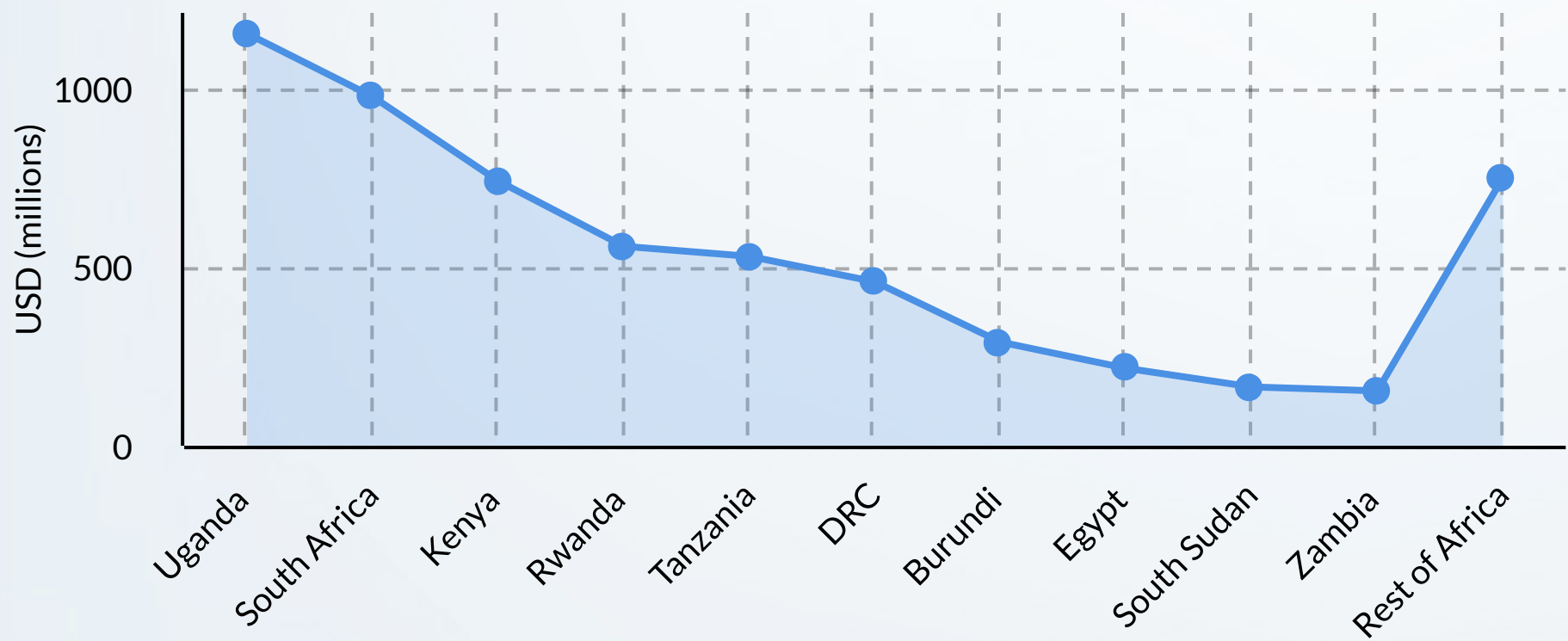
Intra-Africa total trade (2021)



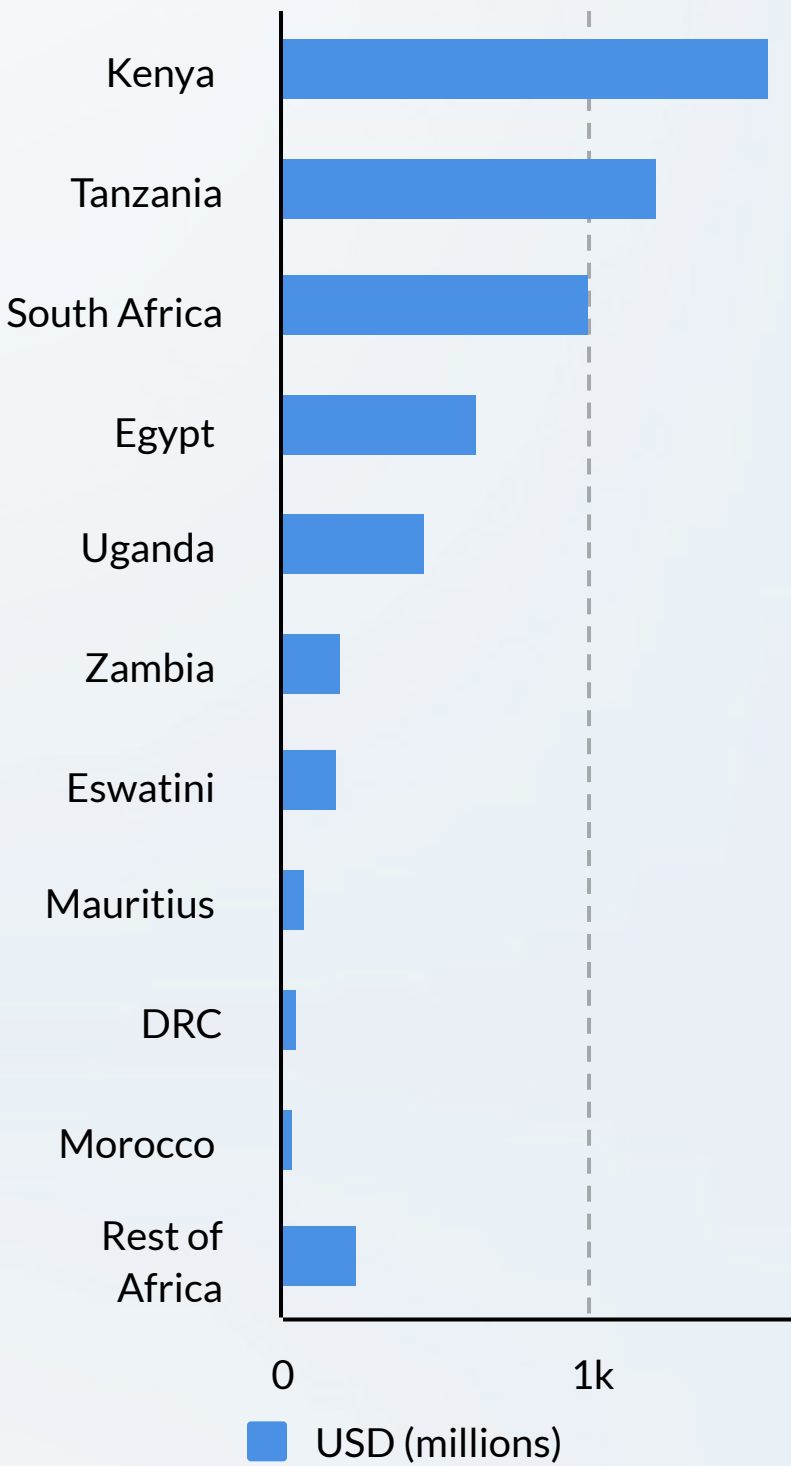
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Intra-REC trade (2021)

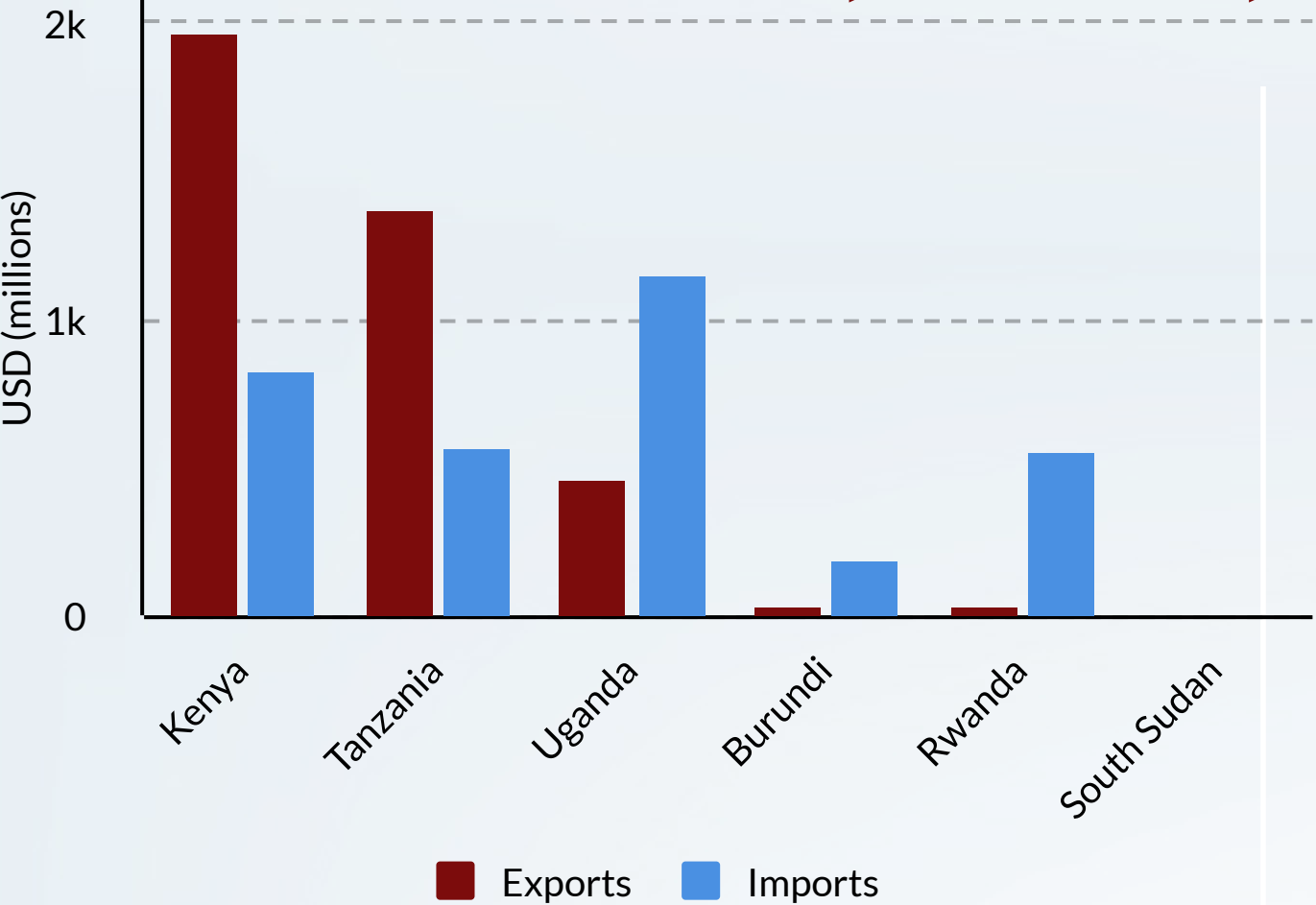
EAC Intra-Africa import sources



EAC Intra-Africa export destinations



EAC Intra-REC trade - imports and exports (2020)



33% of EAC Intra-REC trade accounts for its intra-Africa trade

Kenya dominates exports while Uganda imports the most in terms of intra-REC imports

Intra-REC exports from Rwanda and Burundi are negligible

The EAC is a customs union with a common external tariff (CET)

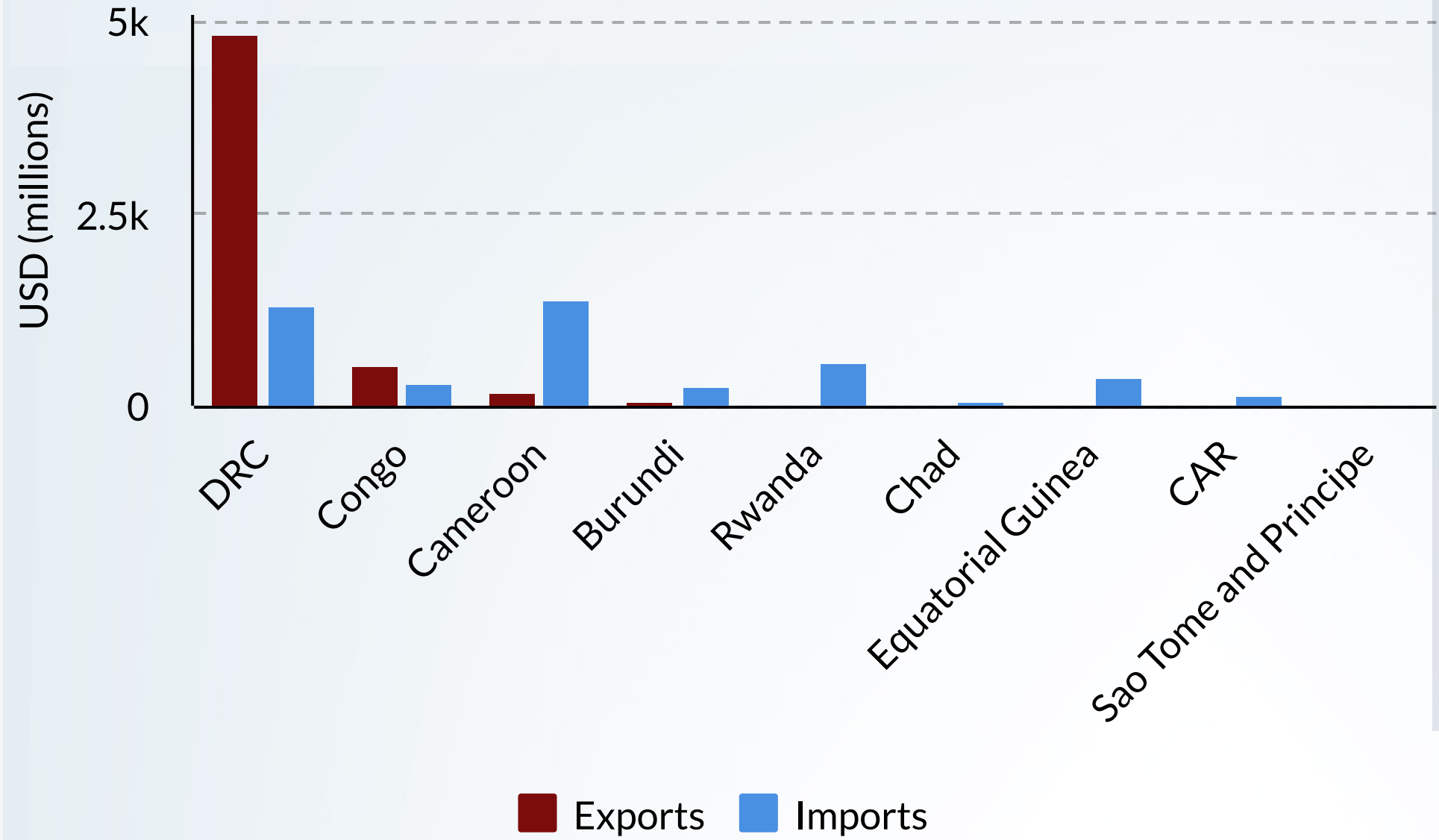


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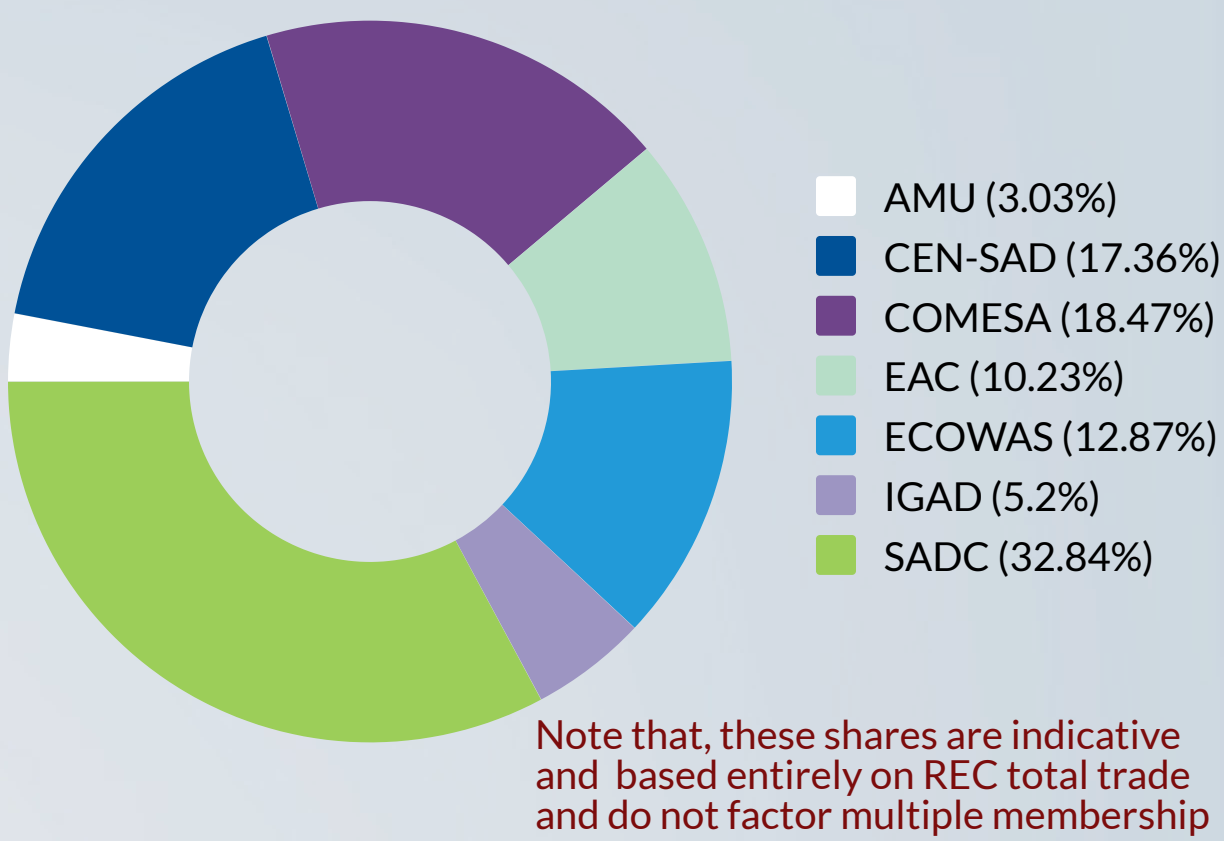


The Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)

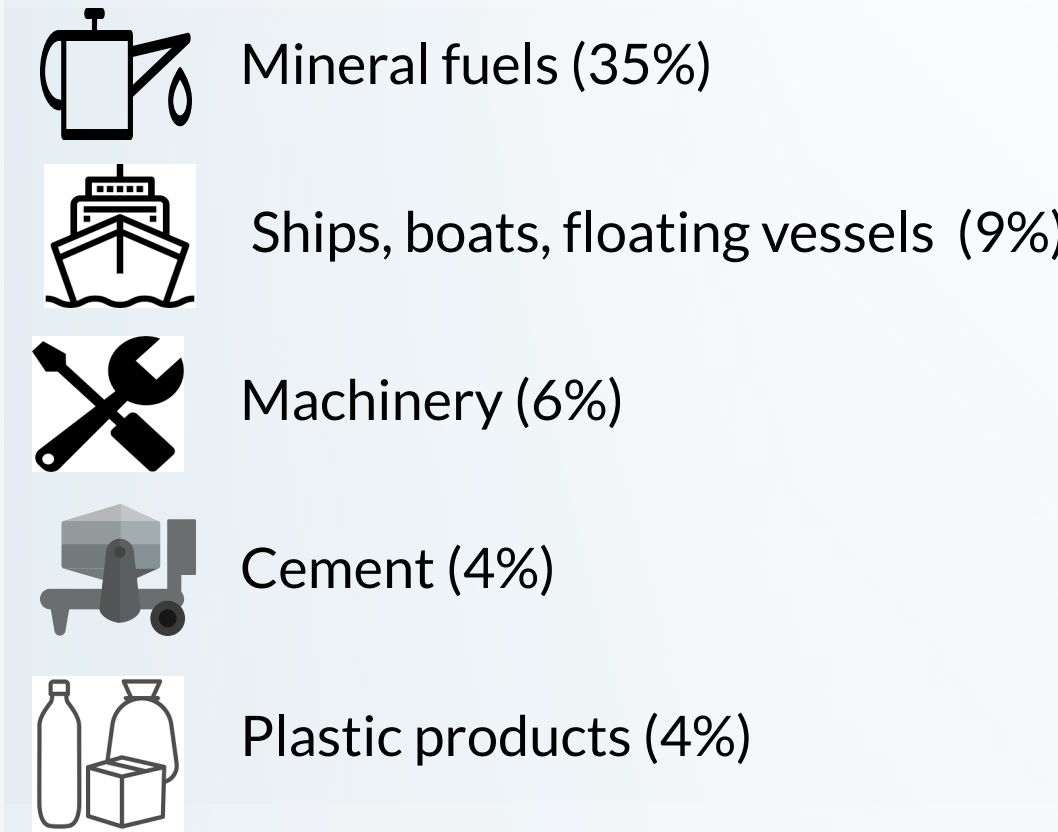
ECCAS Intra-Africa Trade (2021)



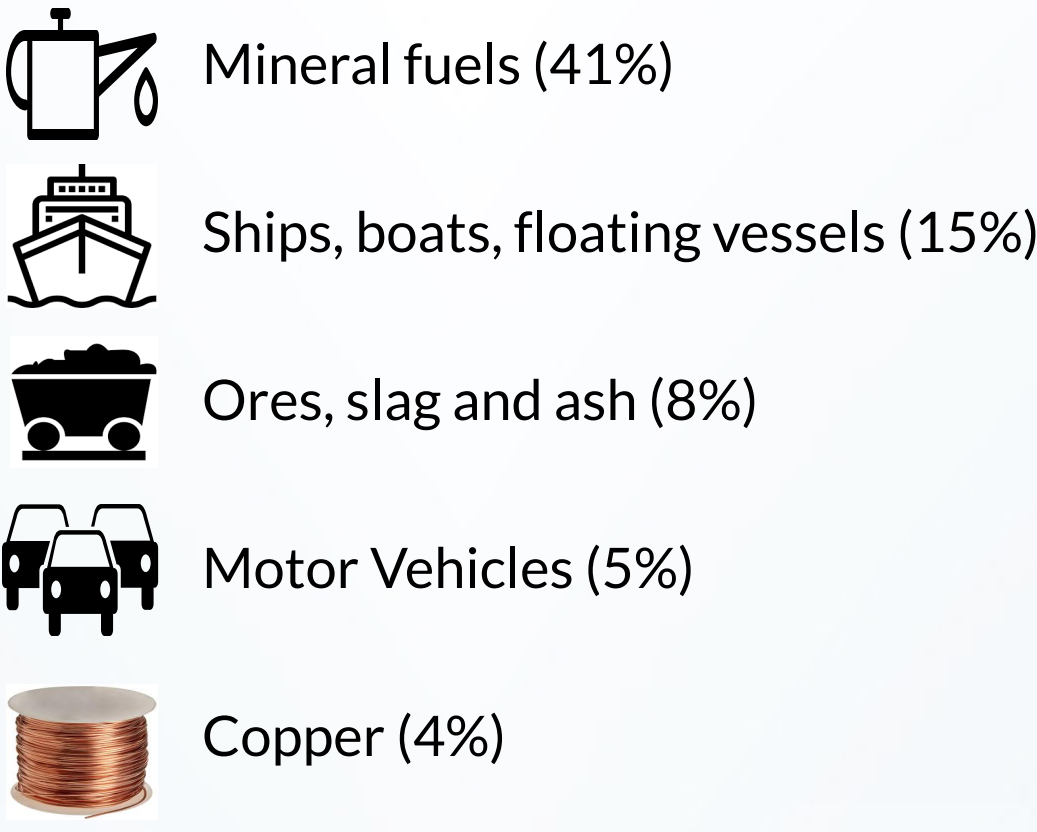
ECCAS share of intra-Africa trade by REC (2021)



ECCAS Intra-Africa top import products (2021)



ECCAS Intra-Africa top export products (2021)



-19%

Intra-Africa total trade growth (2020-2021)

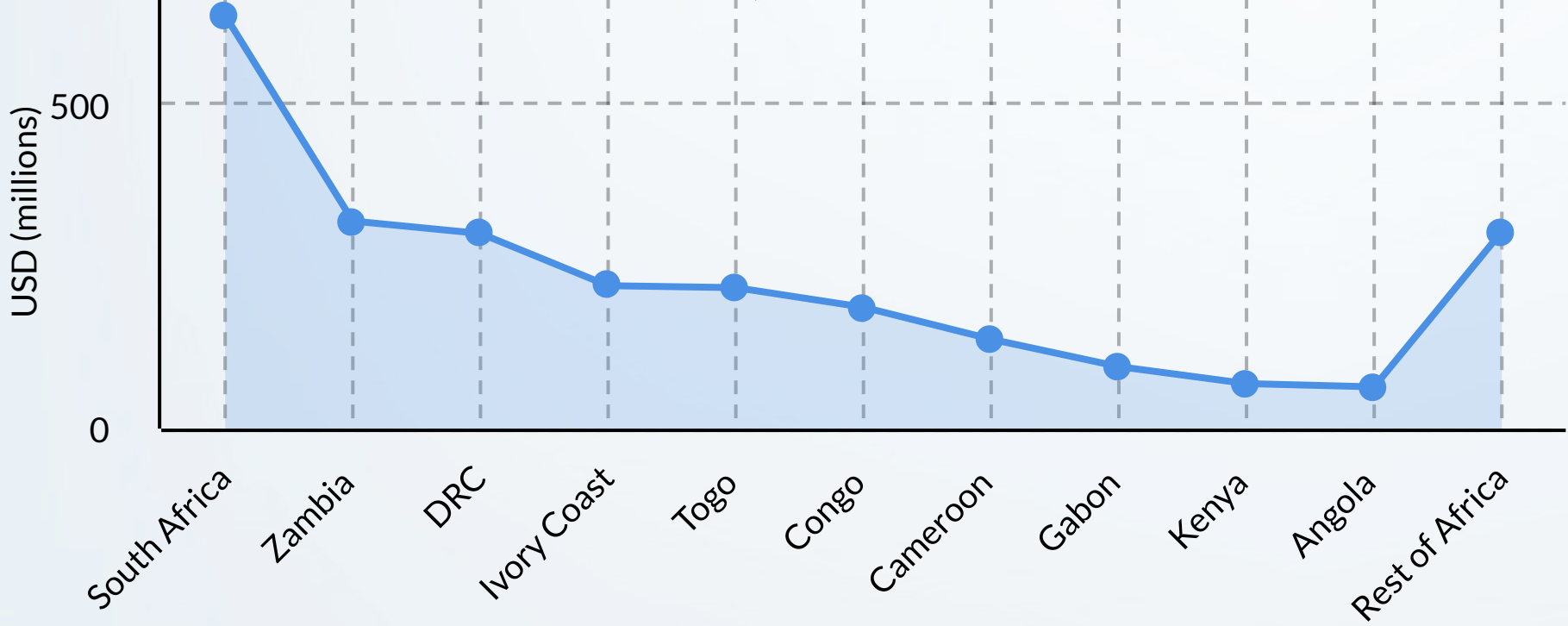
US\$10 bn

Intra-Africa total trade (2021)

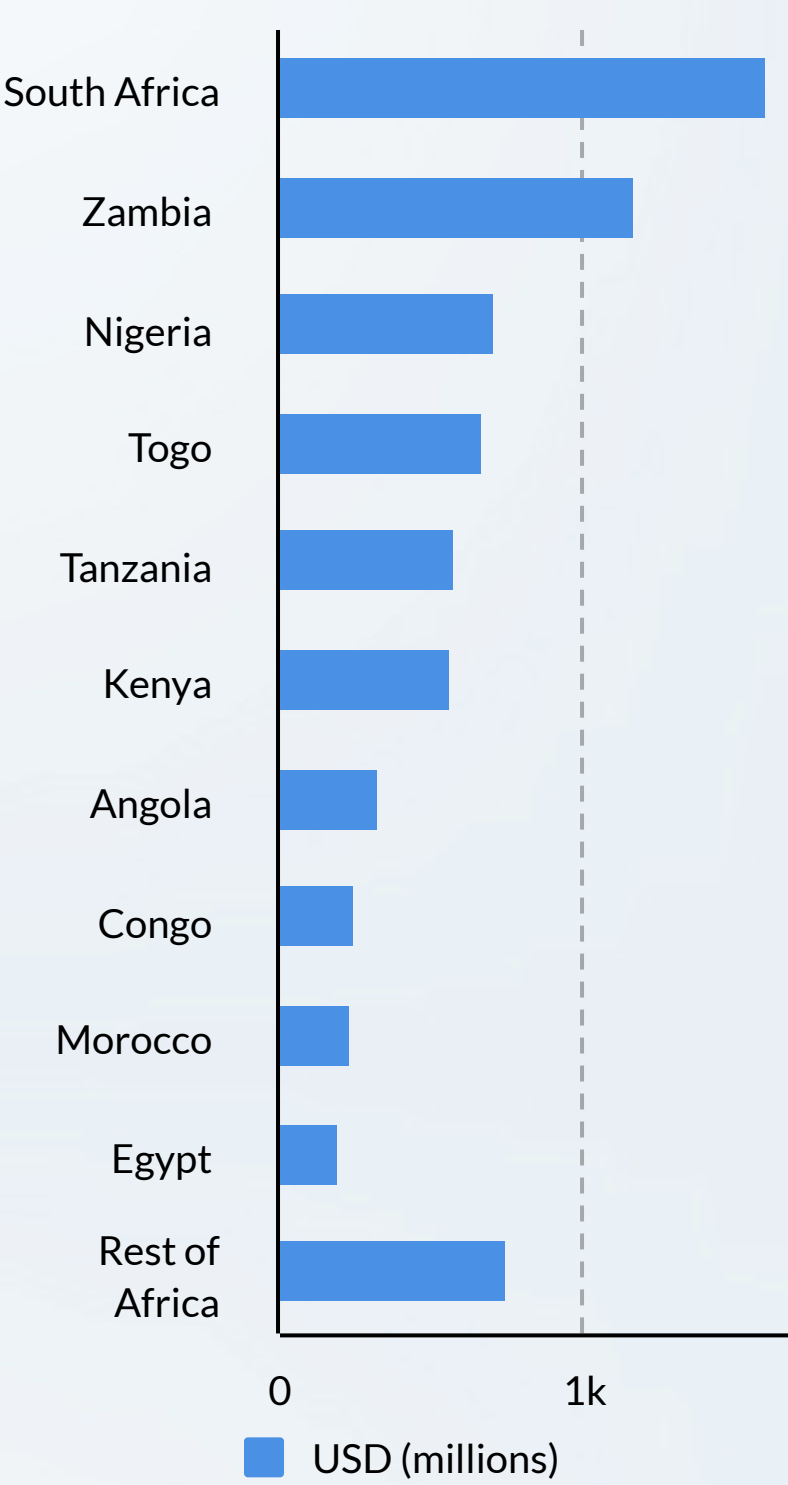
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Intra-REC trade (2021)

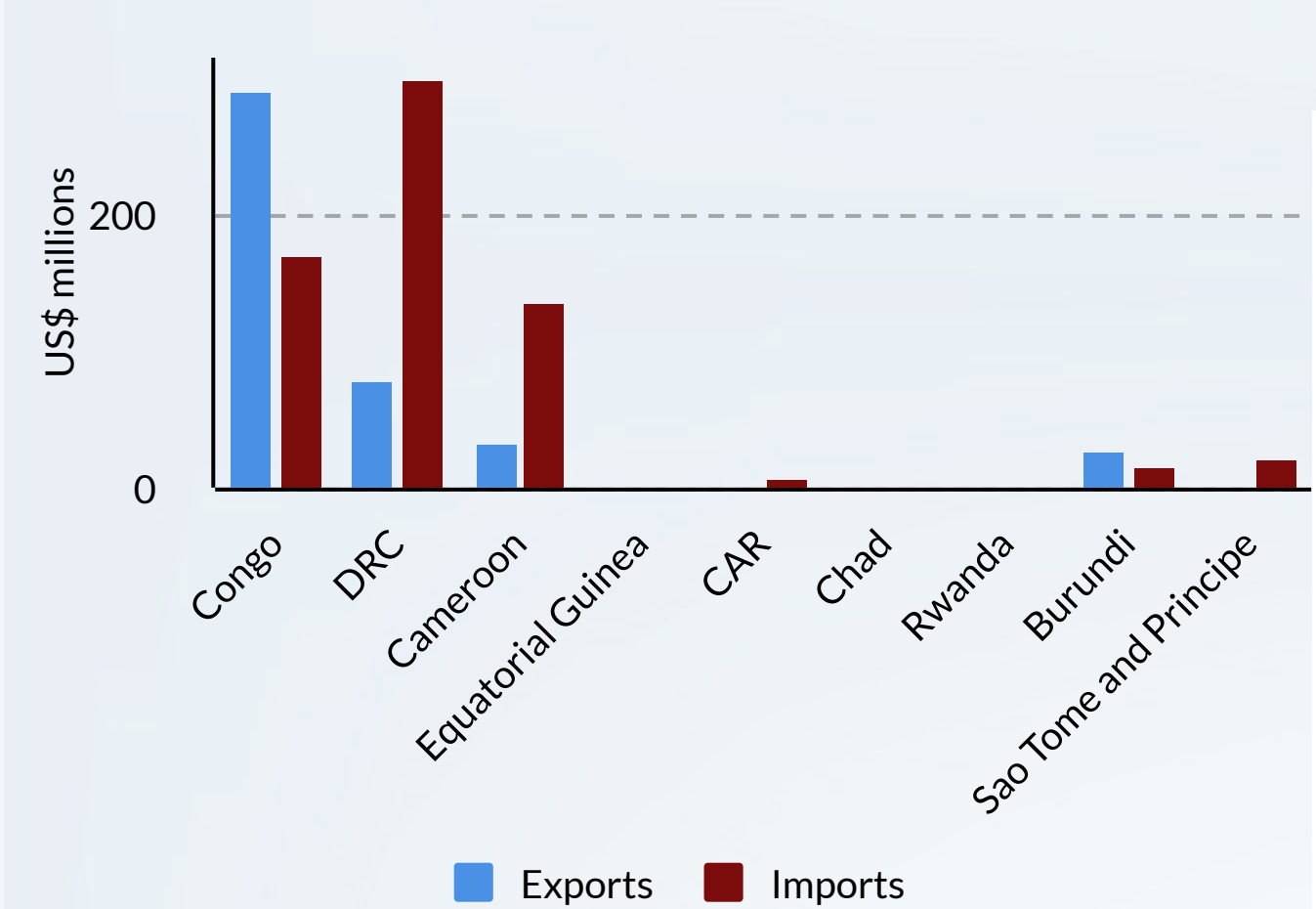
ECCAS Intra-Africa import sources



ECCAS Intra-Africa export destinations



ECCAS Intra-REC trade - imports and exports (2020)



8% of ECCAS Intra-REC trade accounts for its intra-Africa trade

Congo accounts for the bulk of intra-REC exports

In terms of intra-REC imports, the DRC is the major recipient

Chad and Rwanda barely import from ECCAS.

ECCAS has not established an FTA

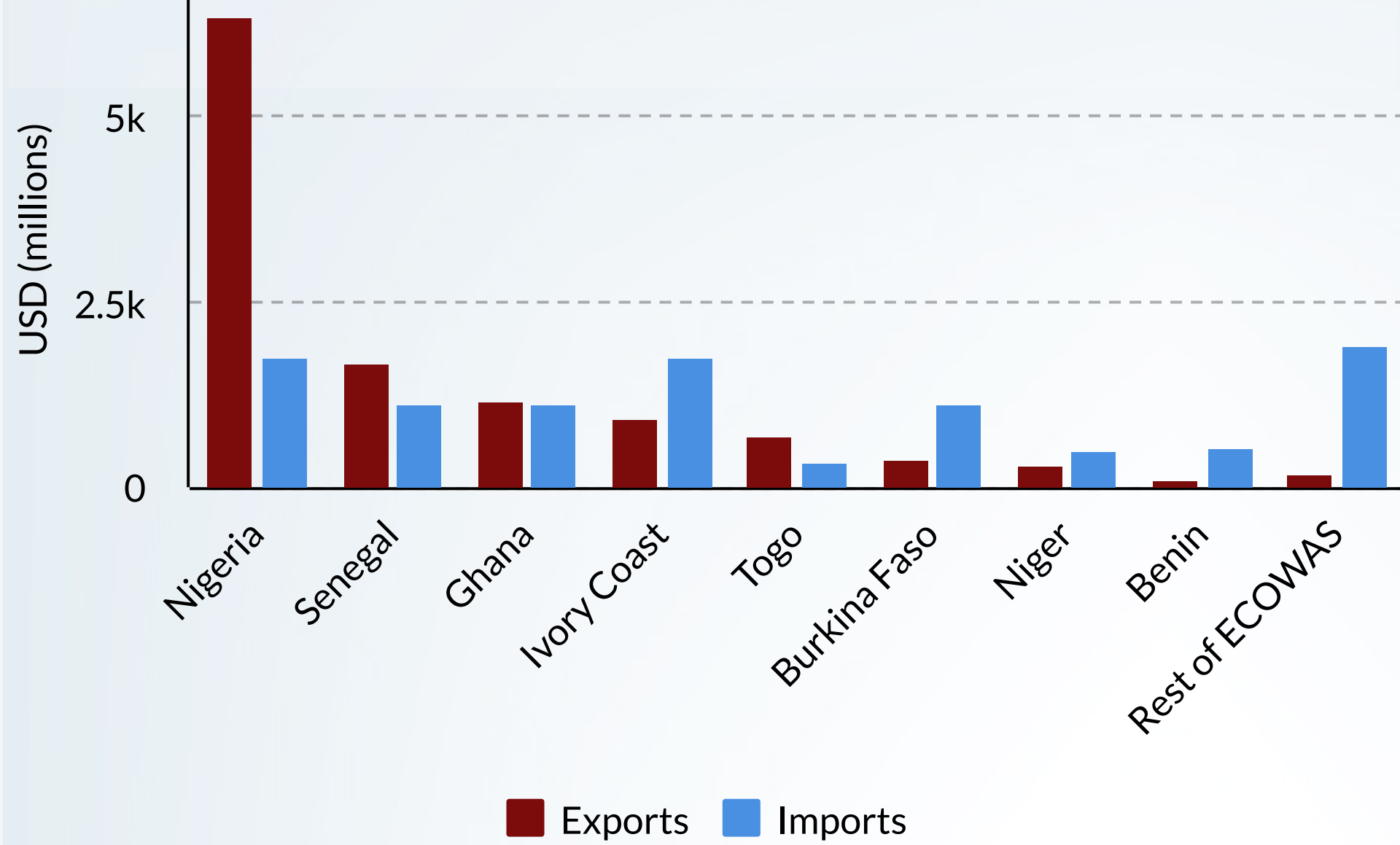


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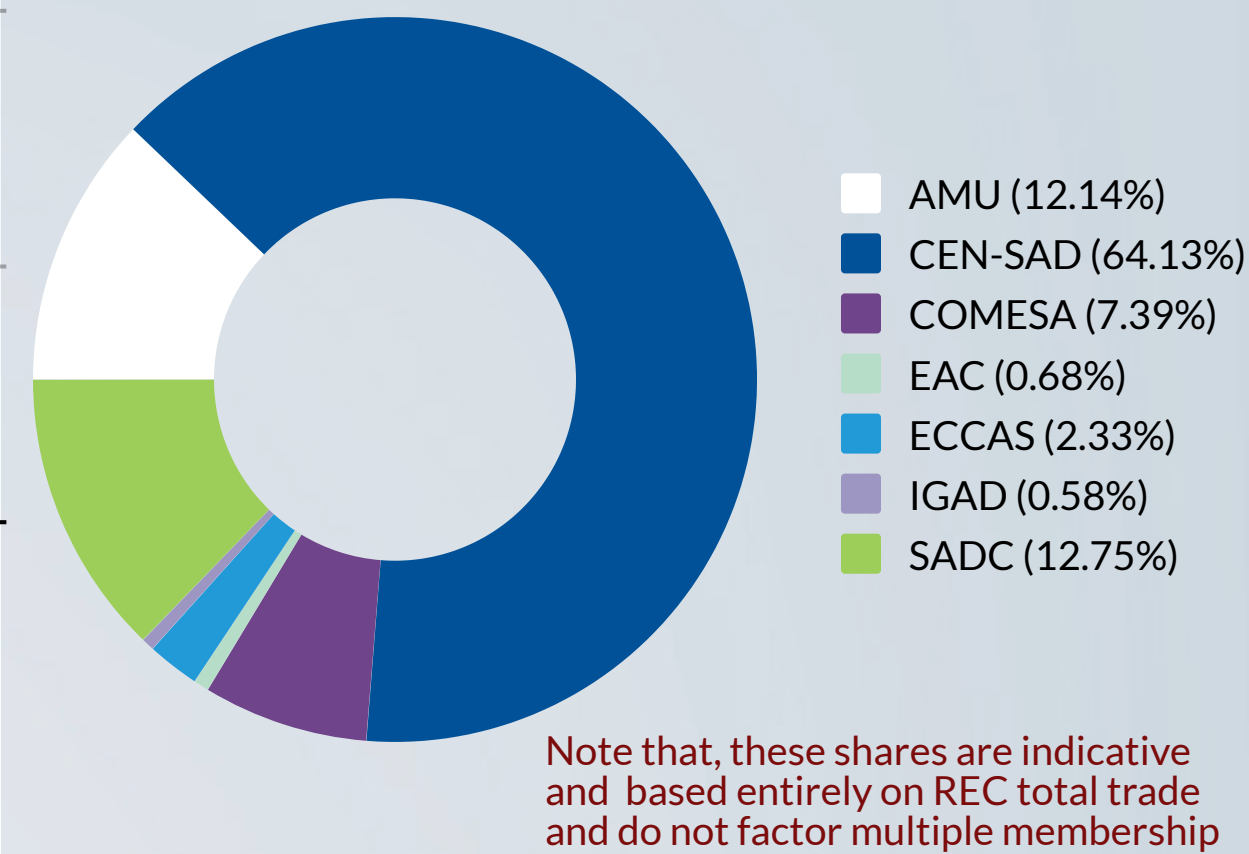


The Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)

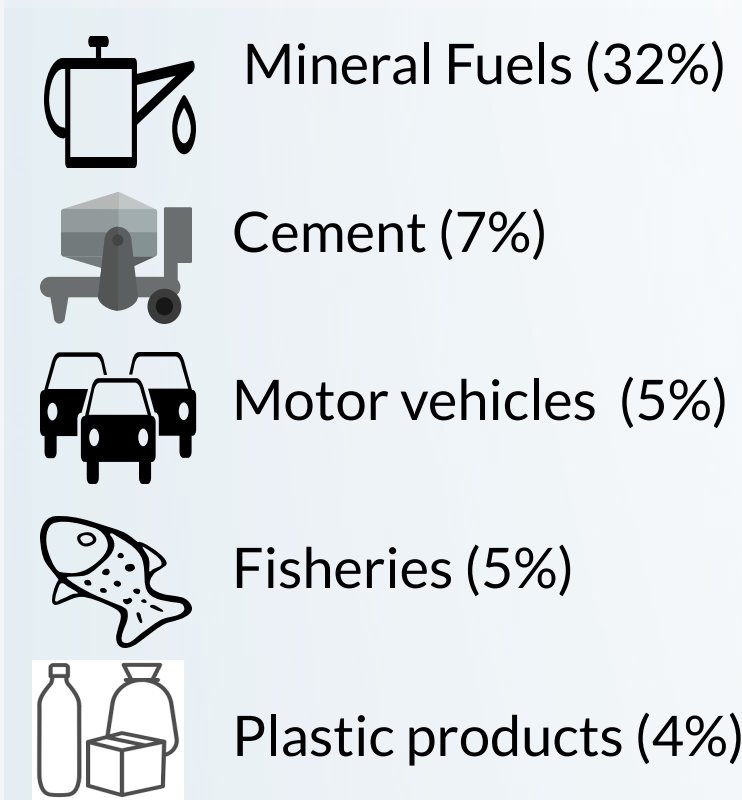
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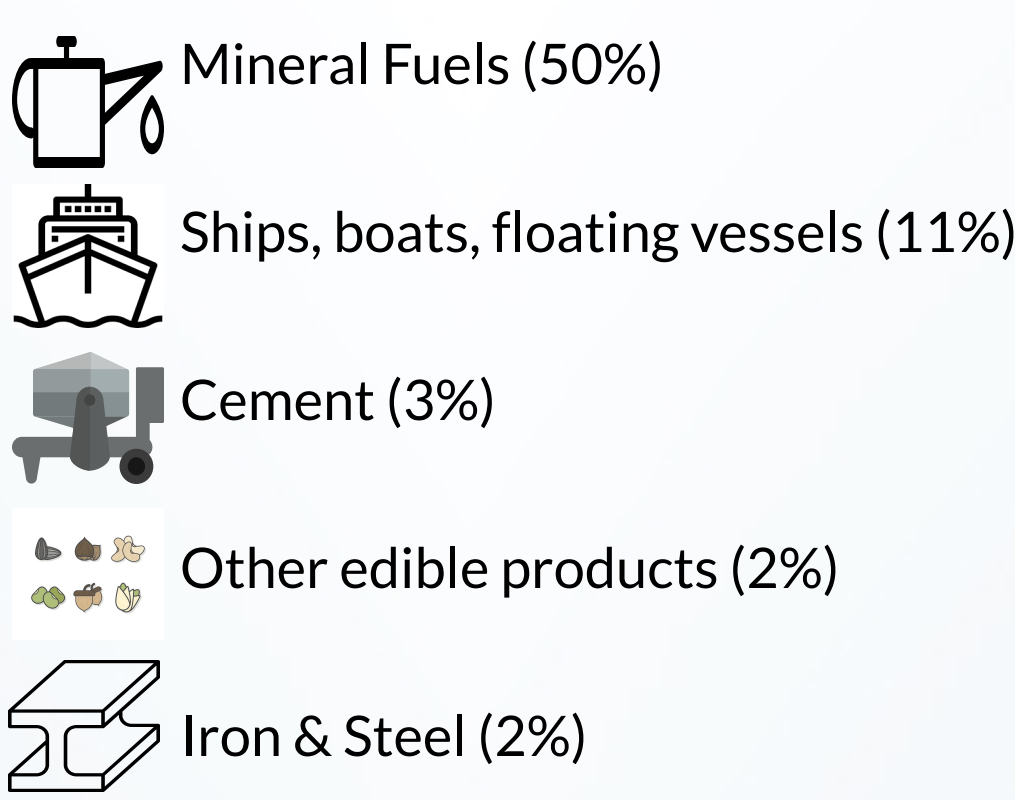
ECOWAS share of intra-Africa trade by REC (2021)



ECOWAS Intra-Africa top import products (2021)



ECOWAS Intra-Africa top export products (2021)



-8%

Intra-Africa total trade growth (2020-2021)

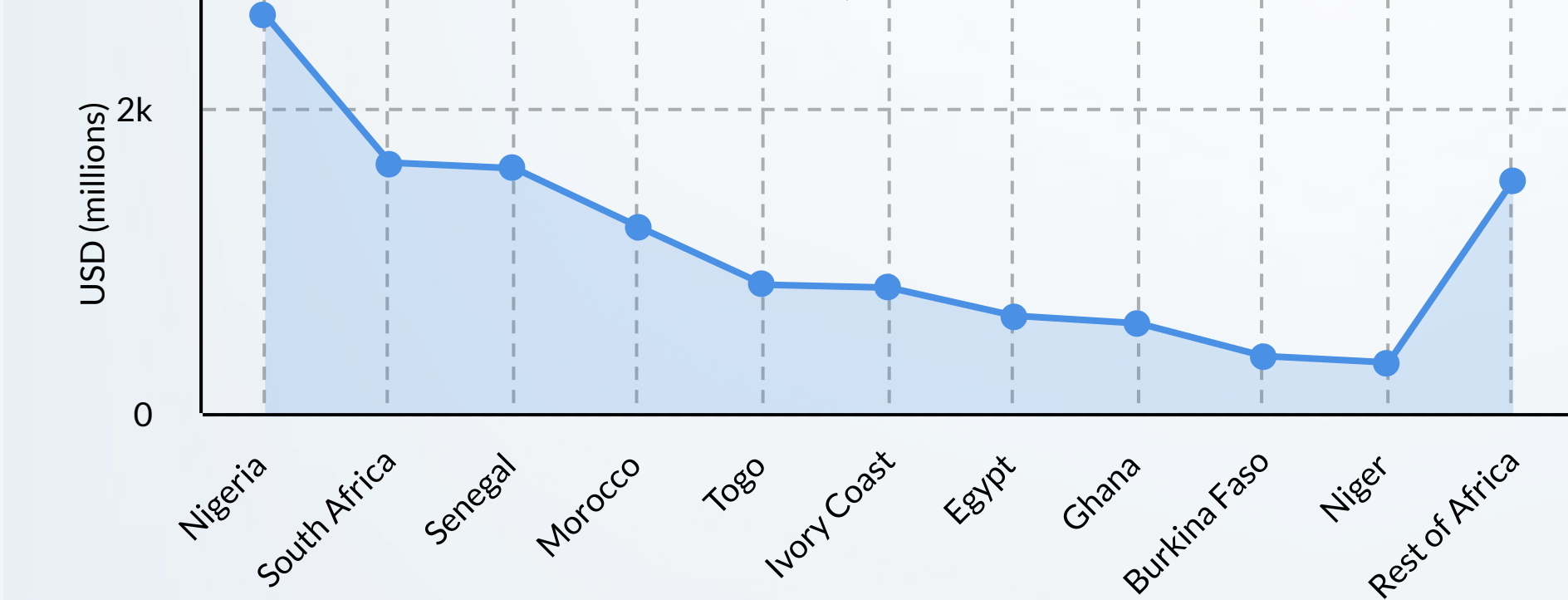
US\$24.2 bn

Intra-Africa total trade (2021)

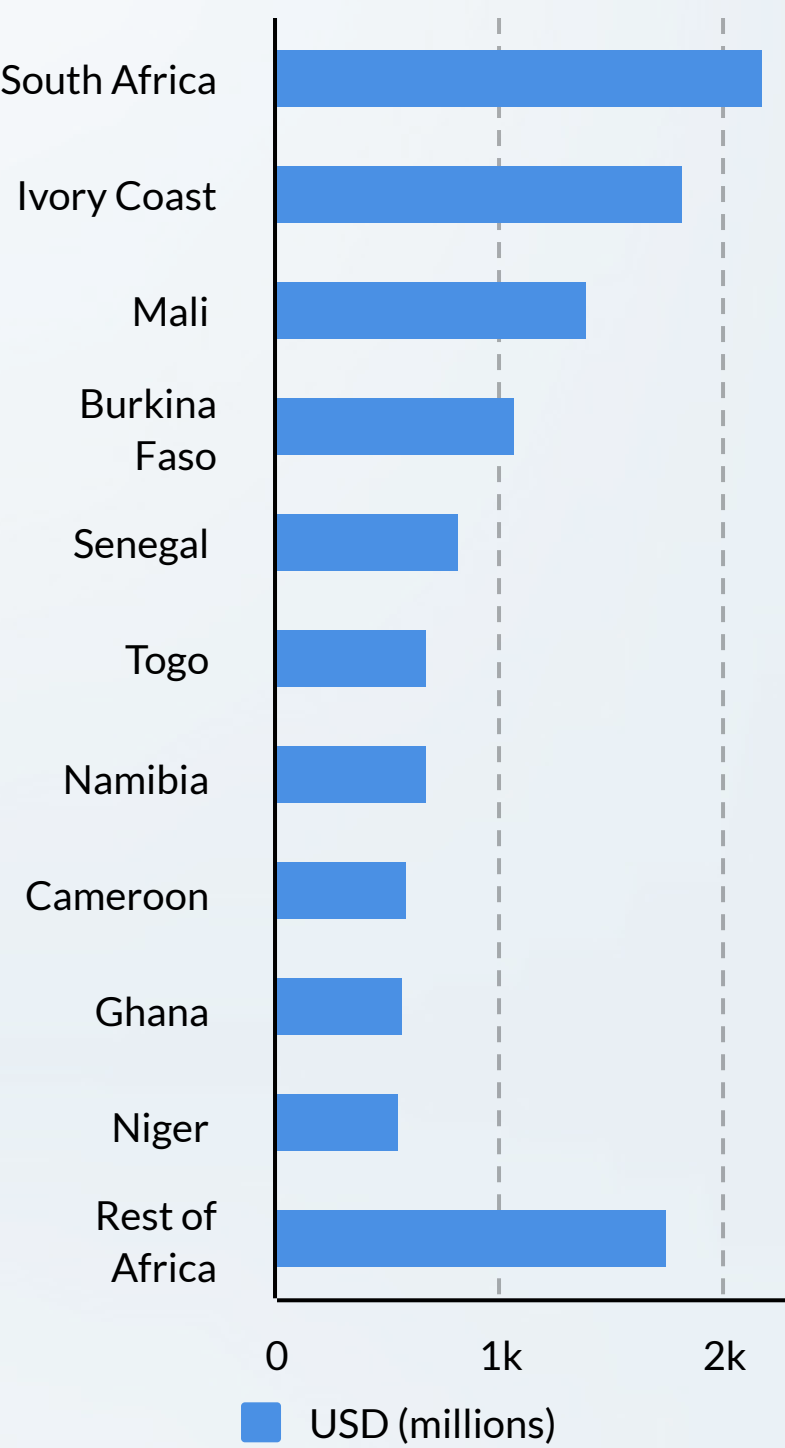
US\$8 bn

Intra-REC trade (2021)

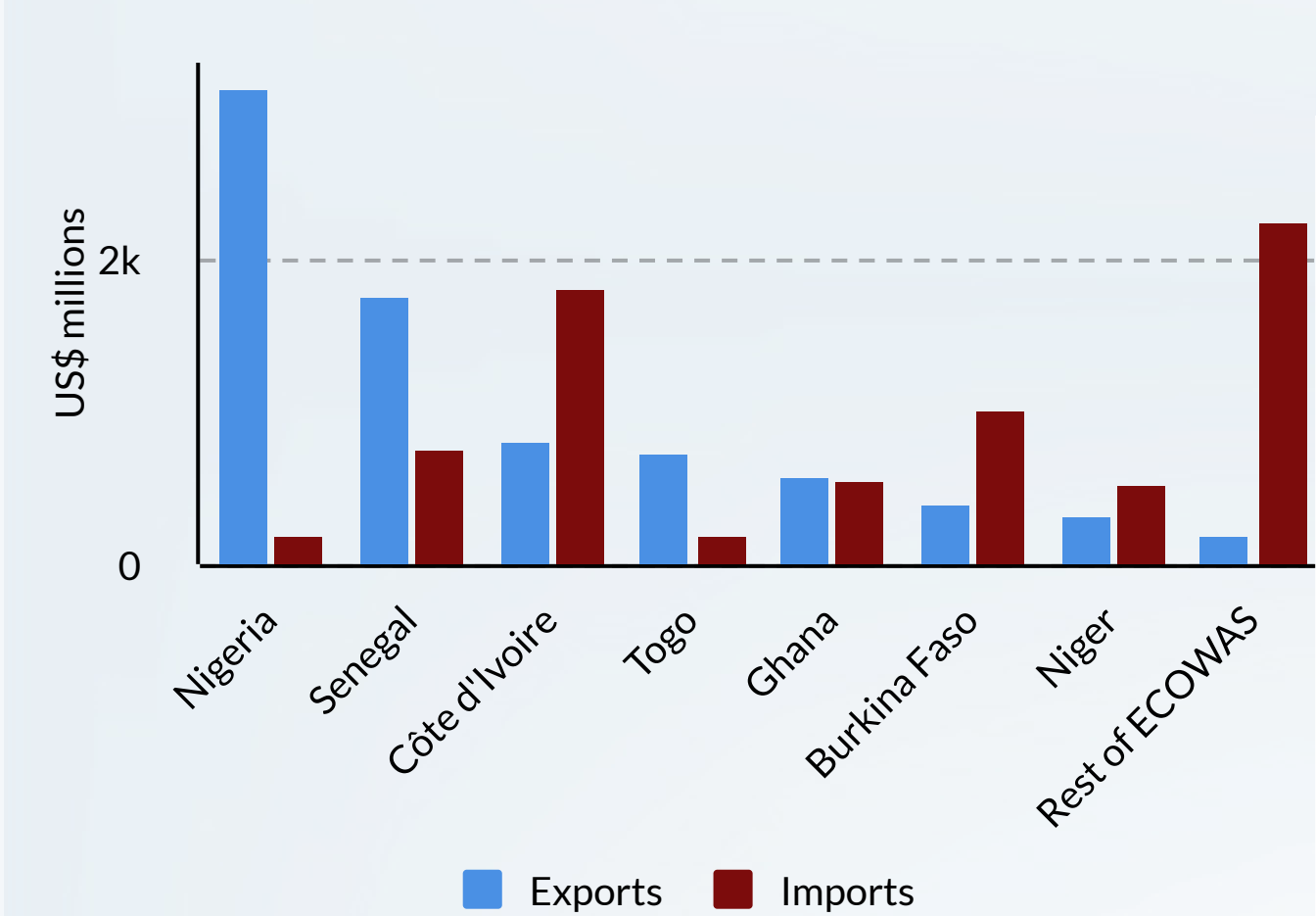
ECOWAS Intra-Africa import sources



ECOWAS Intra-Africa export destinations



ECOWAS Intra-REC trade - imports and exports (2021)



33% of ECOWAS Intra-REC trade accounts for its intra-Africa trade

97% of intra-REC exports are accounted for by the top 7 ECOWAS member states

The bulk of intra-REC imports, are accounted by the top 7 member states (67%).

Sierra Leone and Cape Verde record the lowest intra-REC trade for both imports and exports.

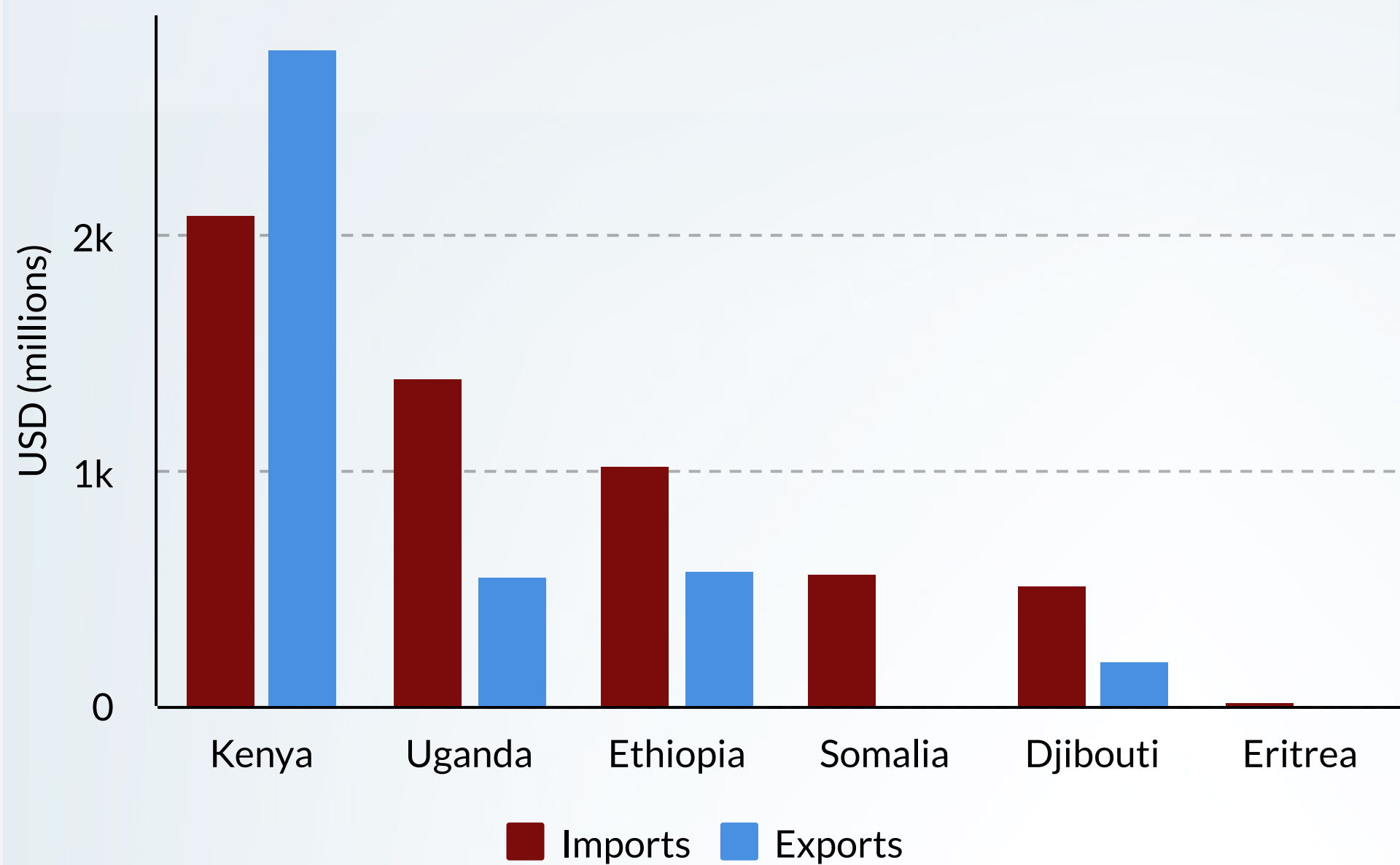


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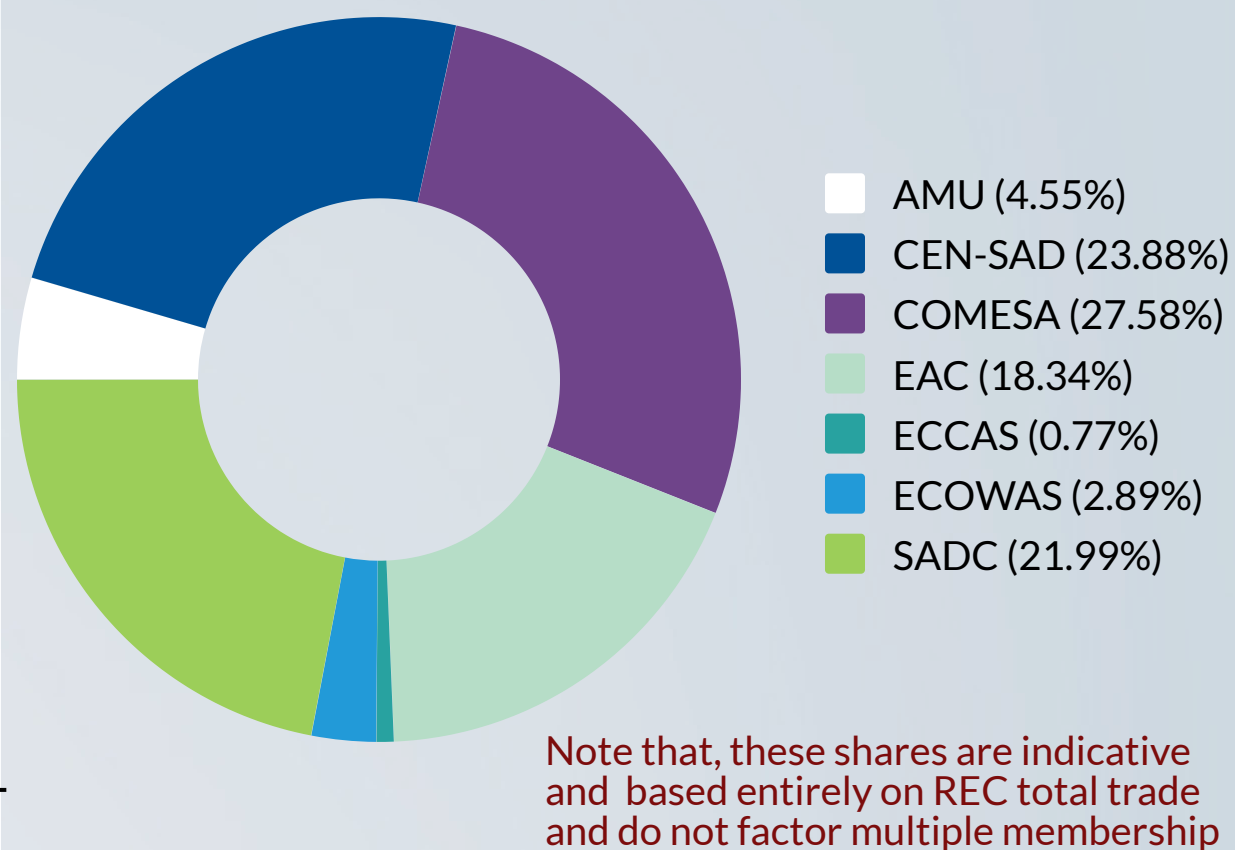


The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)

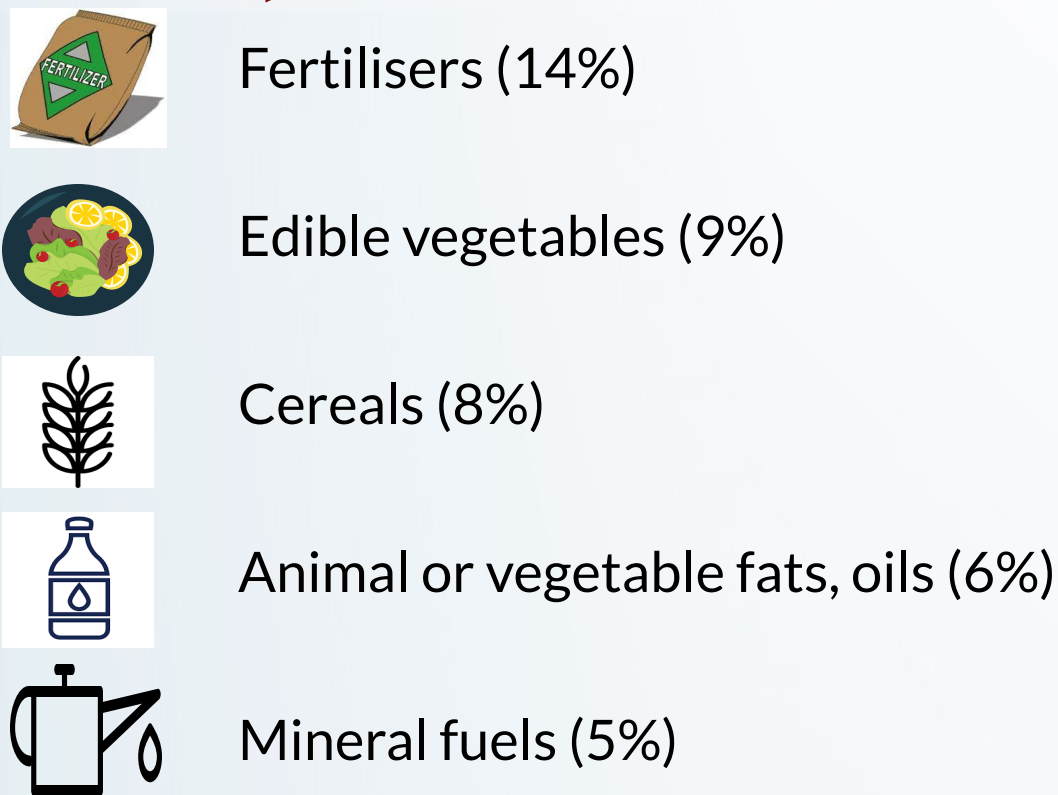
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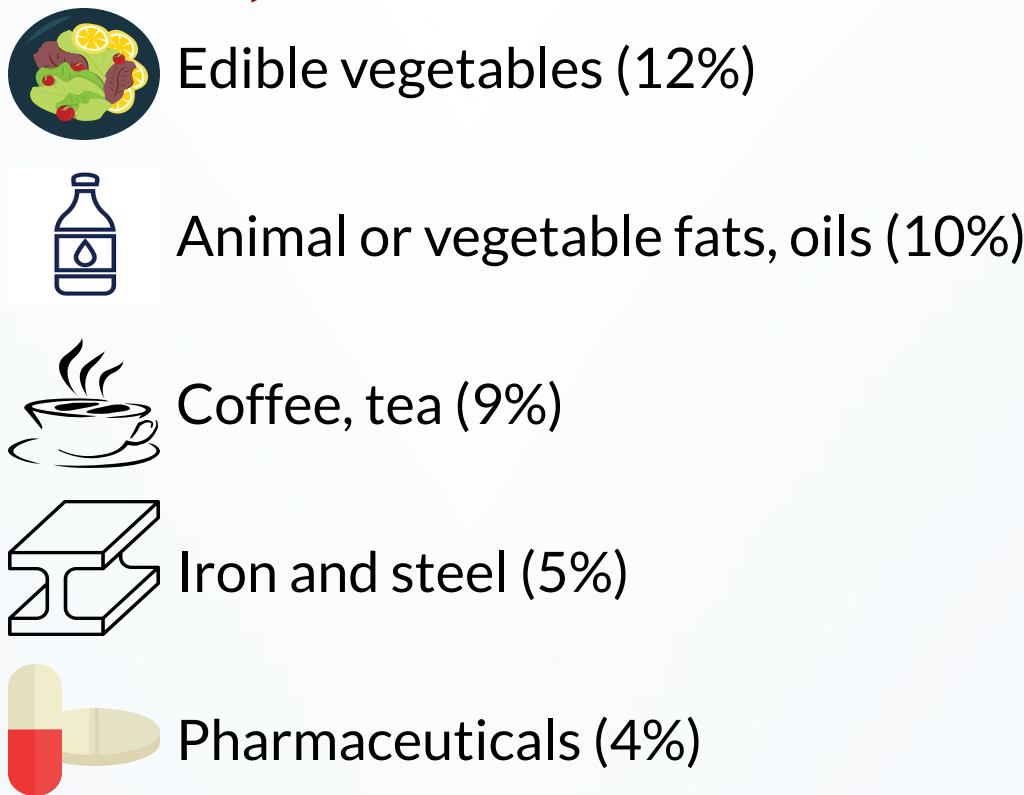
IGAD share of intra-Africa trade by REC (2021)



IGAD Intra-Africa top import products (2021)



IGAD Intra-Africa top export products (2021)



-10%

Intra-Africa total trade growth (2020-2021)



US\$9.7 bn

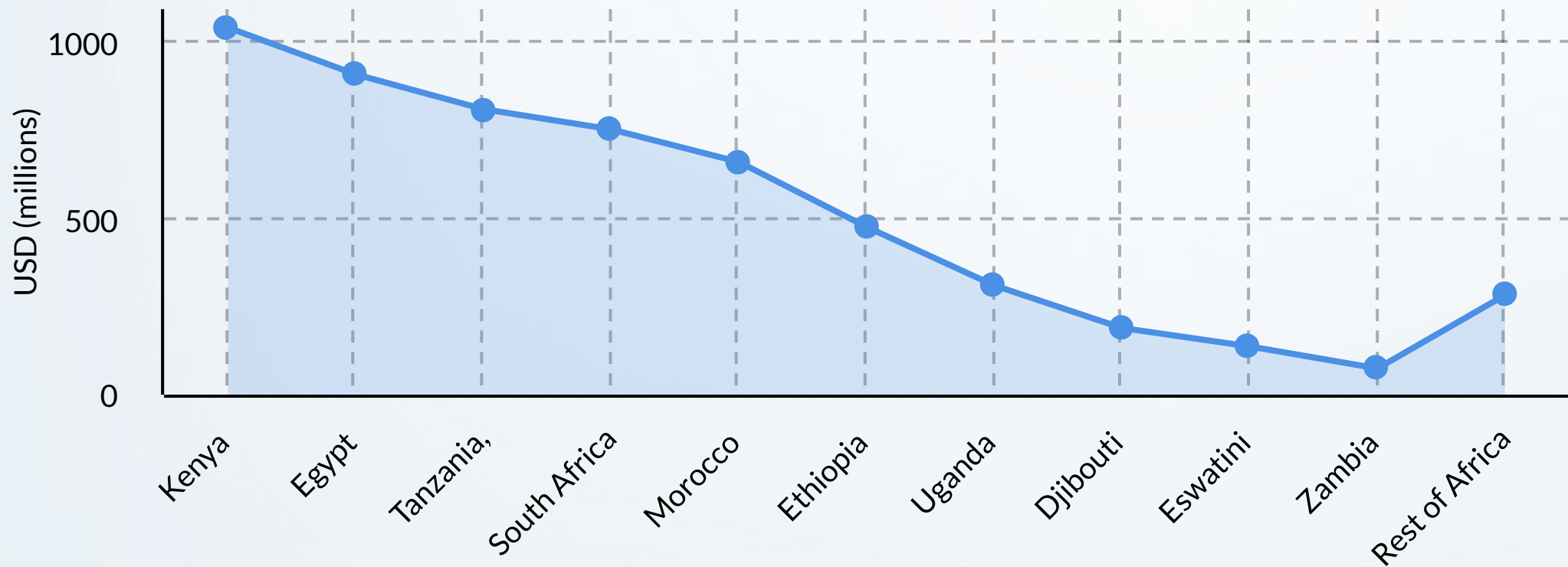
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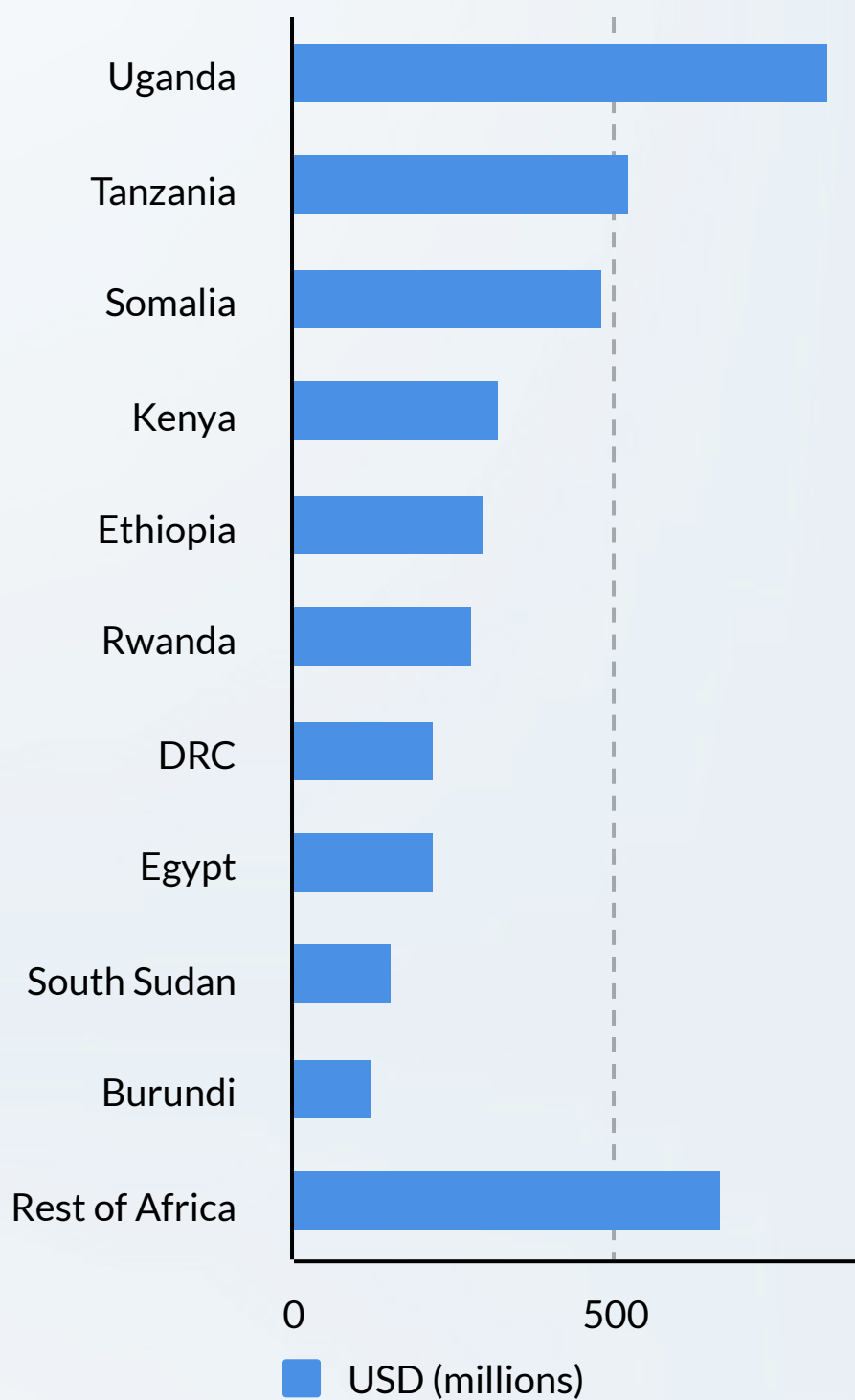
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Intra-REC trade (2021)

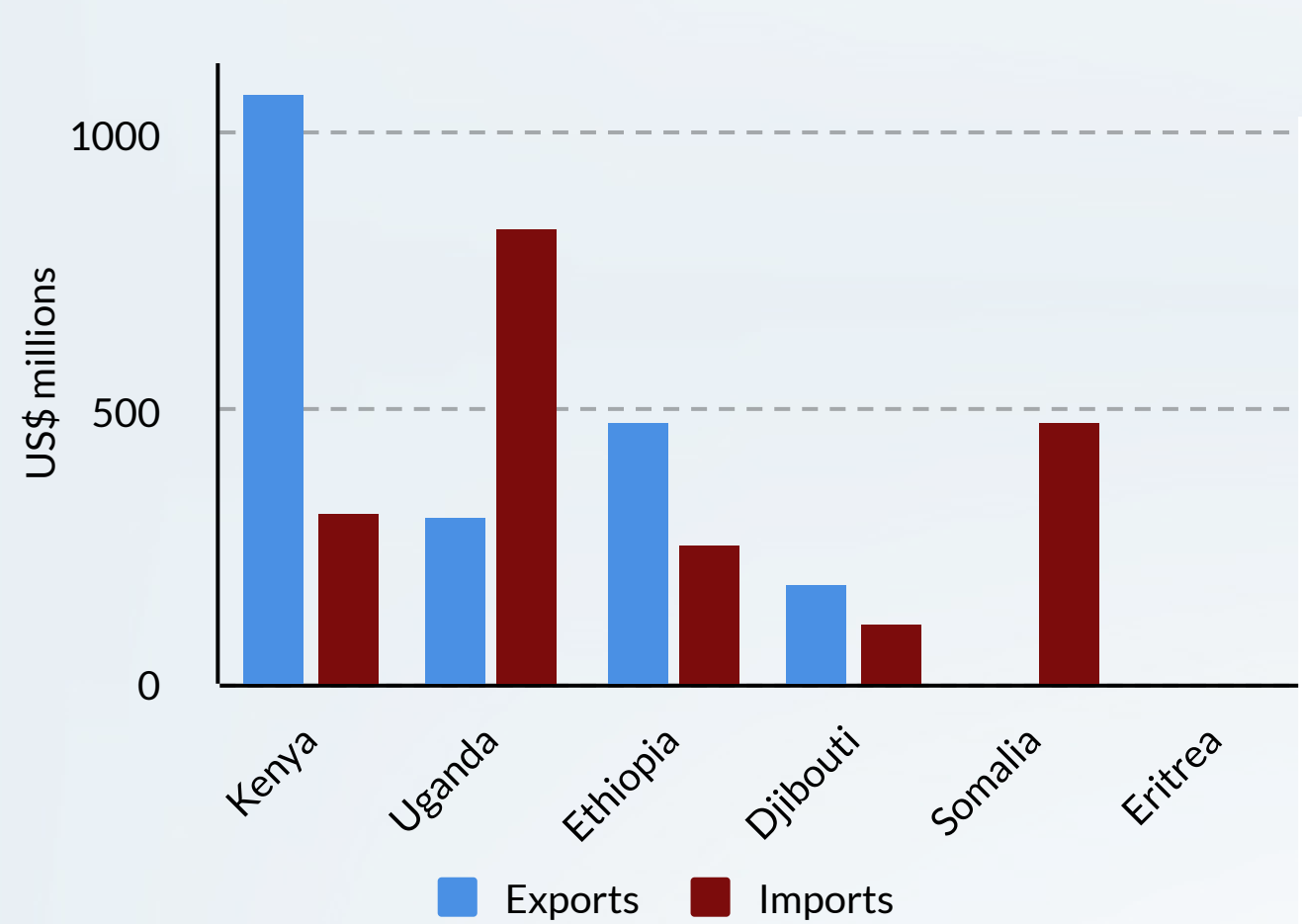
IGAD Intra-Africa import sources



IGAD Intra-Africa export destinations



IGAD Intra-REC trade - imports and exports (2020)



21% of IGAD Intra-REC trade accounts for its intra-Africa trade

Kenya dominates intra-REC trade followed by Ethiopia and Uganda

Uganda and Somalia are the major intra-REC import recipients

All IGAD member states belong to another REC.

IGAD has not yet established an FTA

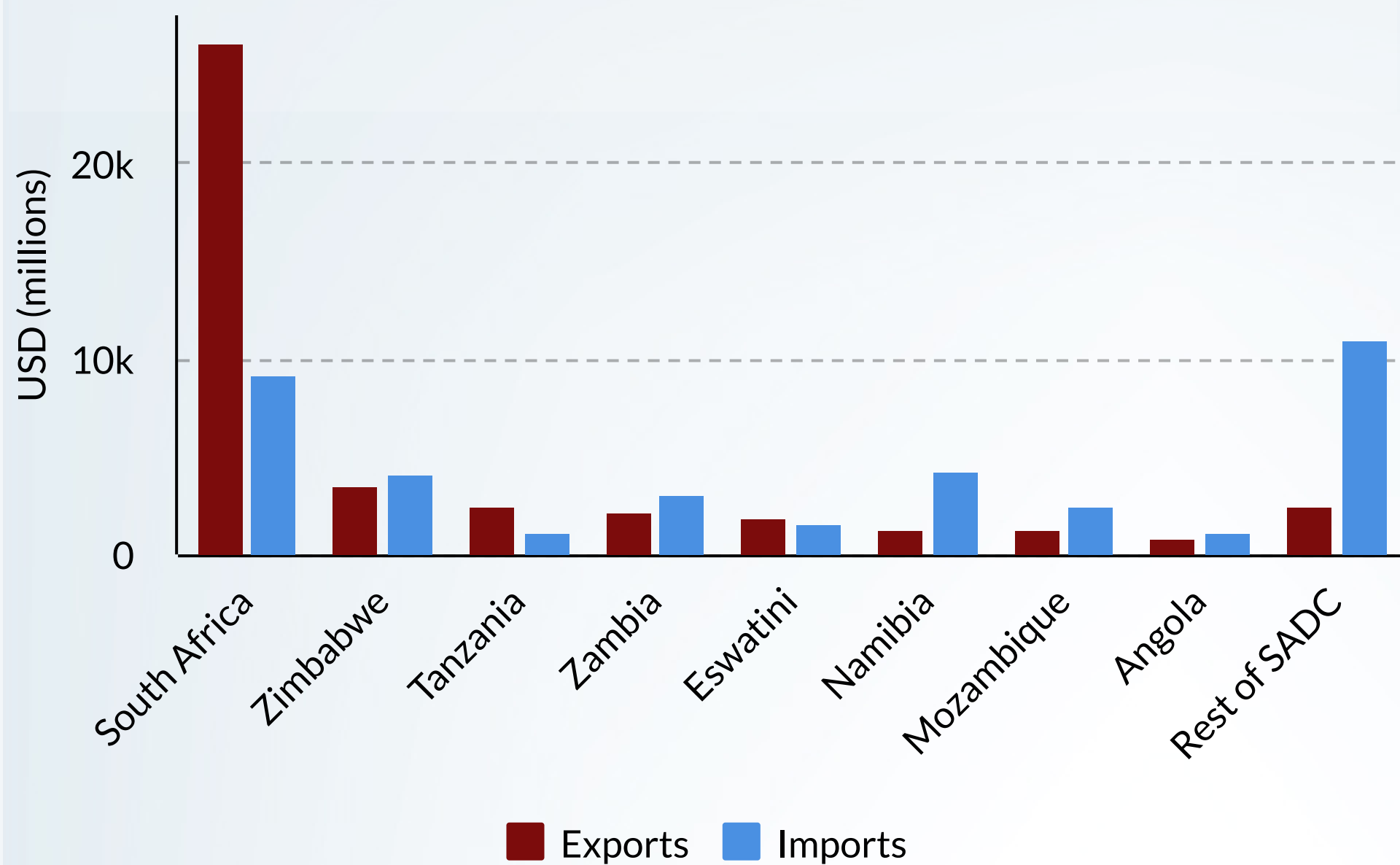


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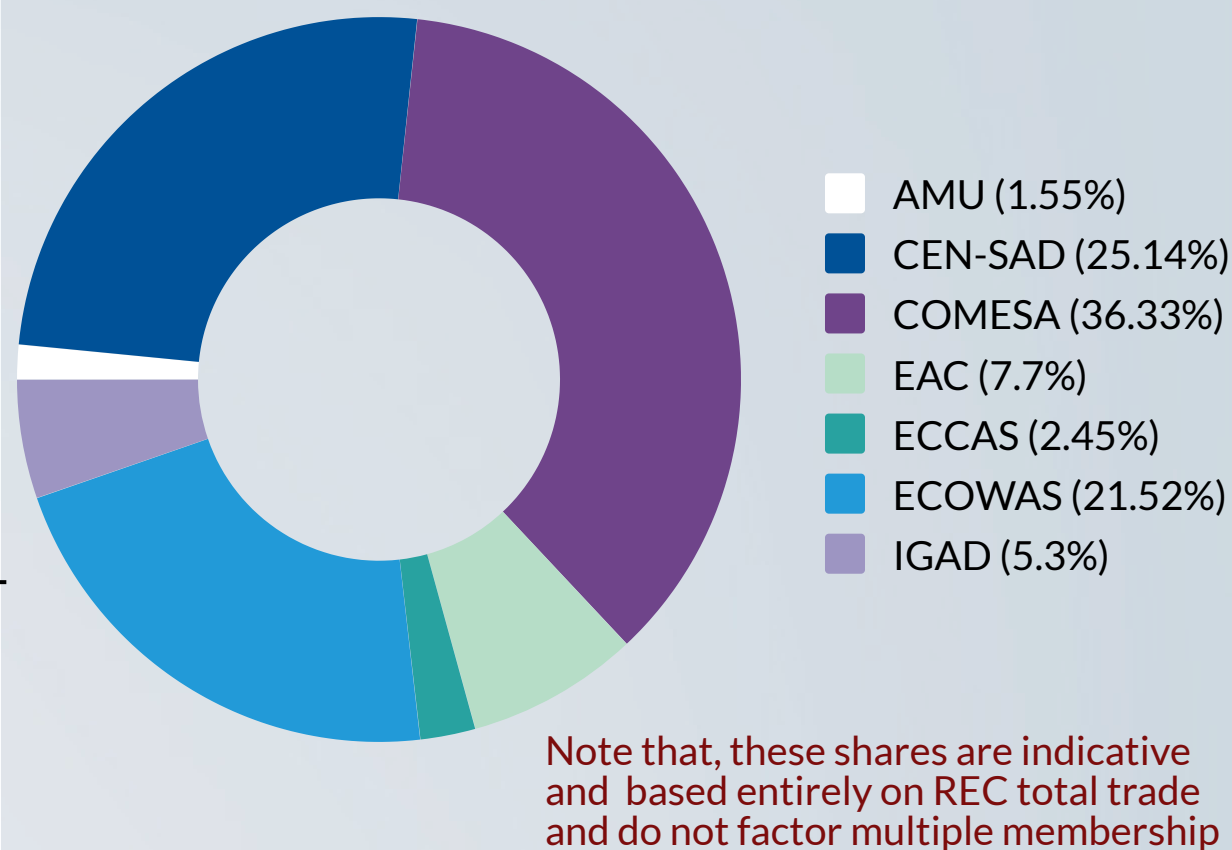


The Southern African Development Community (SADC)

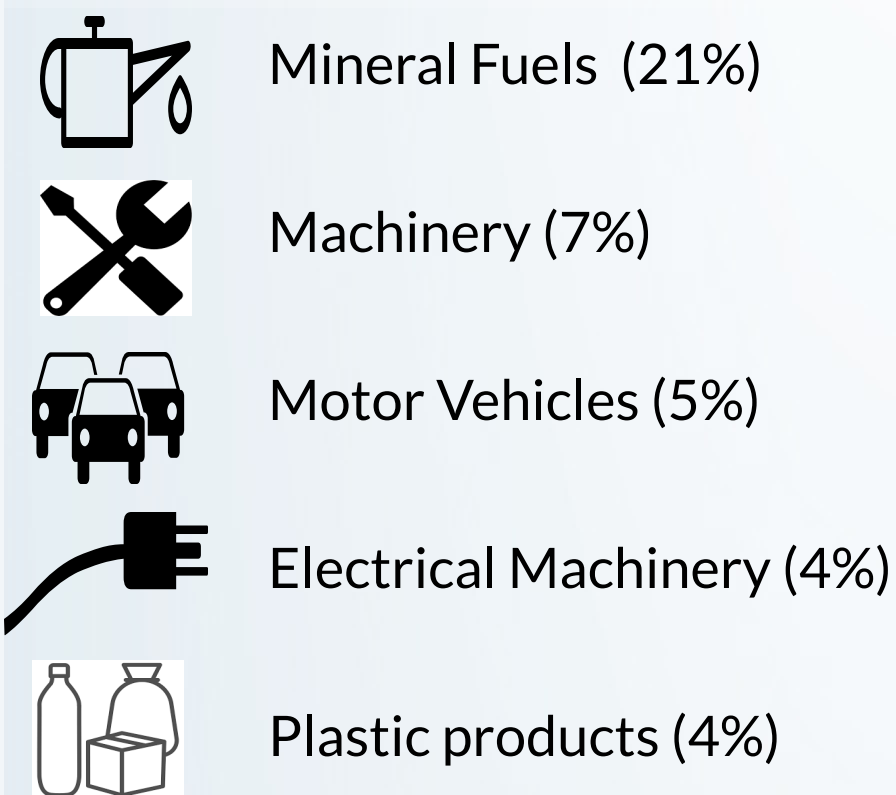
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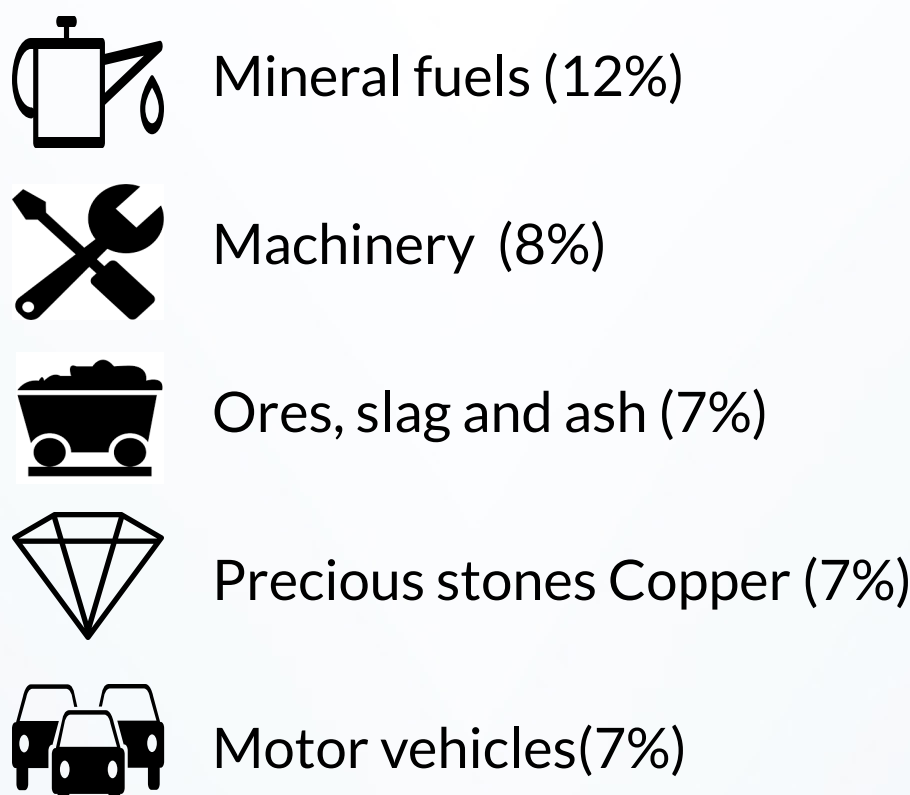
SADC share of intra-Africa trade by REC (2021)



SADC Intra-Africa top import products (2021)



SADC Intra-Africa top export products (2021)



18%

Intra-Africa total trade growth (2020-2021)



US\$68.9 bn

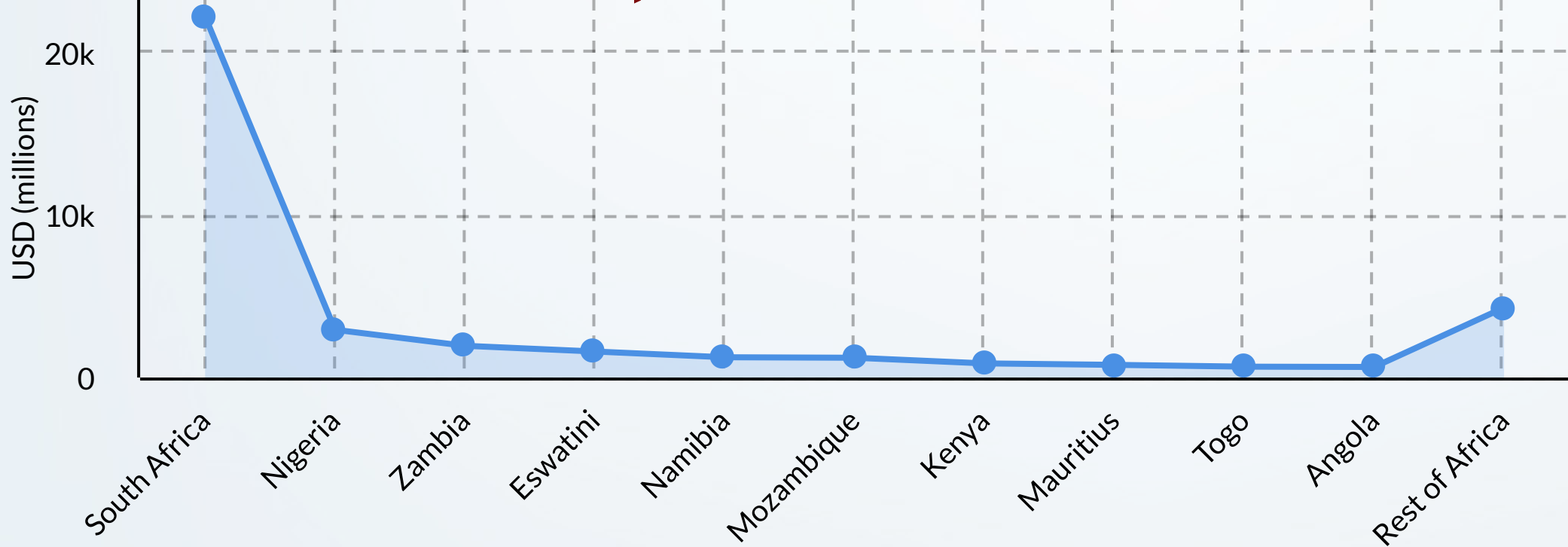
Intra-Africa total trade (2021)



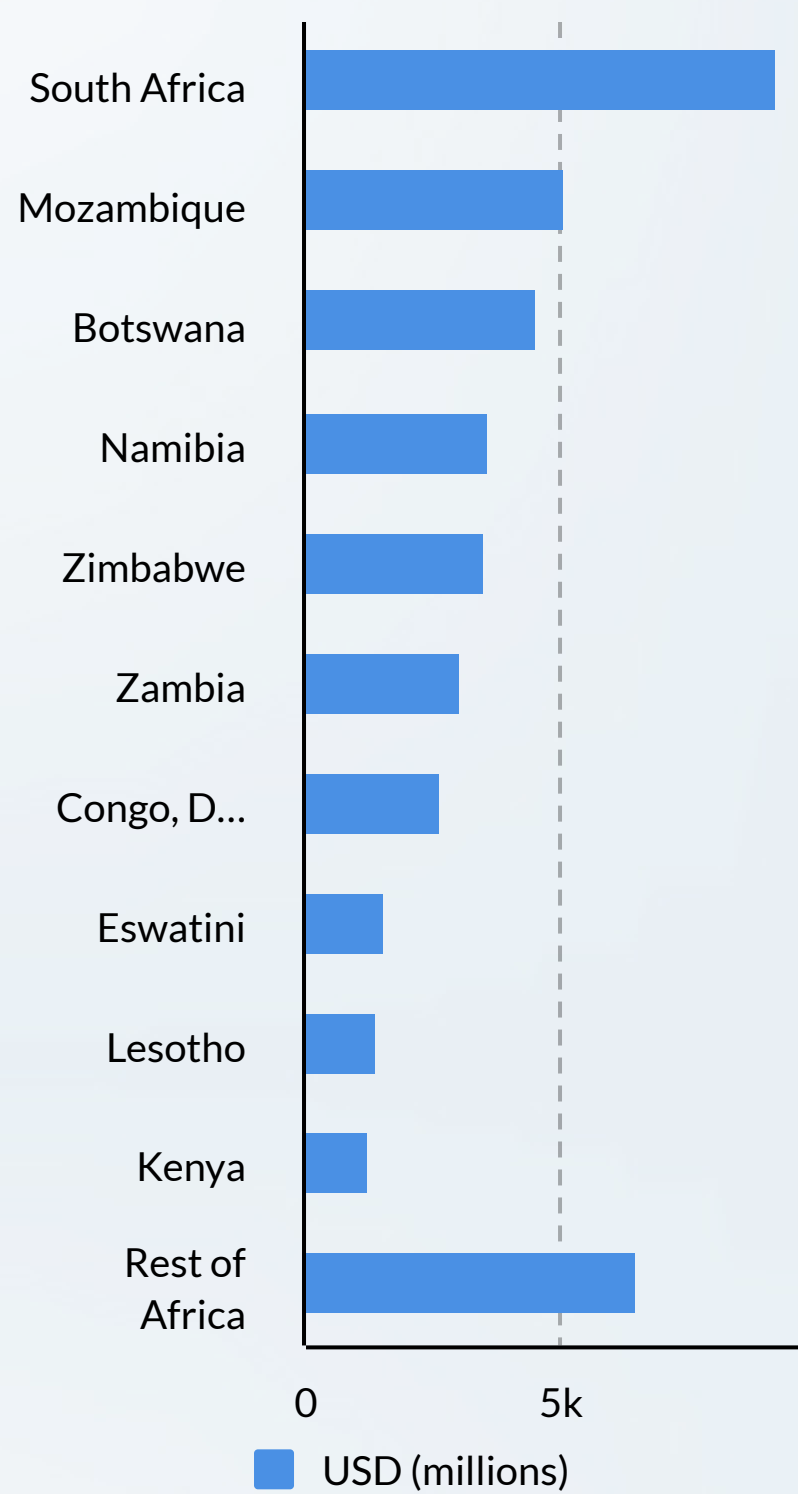
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Intra-REC trade (2021)

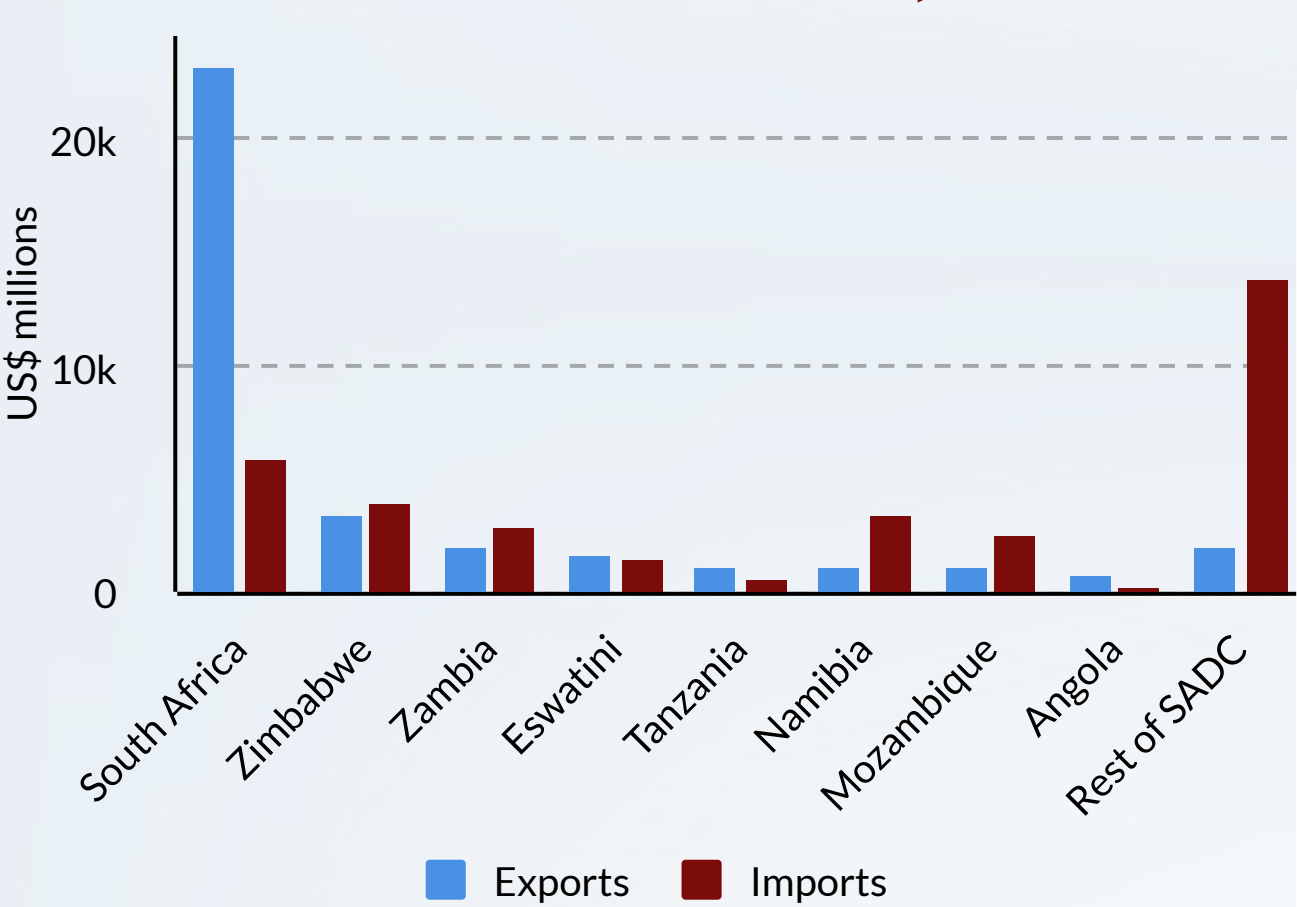
SADC Intra-Africa import sources



SADC Intra-Africa export destinations



SADC Intra-REC trade - imports and exports (2021)



54% of SADC Intra-REC trade accounts for its intra-Africa trade

South Africa, Zimbabwe and Zambia are major players for both intra-REC exports and imports

South Africa alone accounts for over 50% of intra-REC exports.

The SACU member states rely on SADC as a destination and source market in Africa



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