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1.0 Accessing the Trade Tools

- To access the Trade Tools from the MCCI Home Page, move your cursor to OUR SERVICES on the main menu and click on Trade Tools.

- This will take you to the Trade Tools main page that describes the information available and allows you to access all the functionalities offered, namely Trade Statistics, Customs Duties and Taxes and a list of Other Useful Resources.

- Alternatively, you can use the Quick Access Bar on the Home Page to get direct access to Trade Statistics, Customs Duties and Taxes and other trade-related information such as Trade Agreements and Guide to Import & Export as shown in the screenshot below.
2.0 Trade Statistics

- Clicking on Trade Statistics on the menu will take you to the platform where you can choose from the three tools we offer for analysis of import and export figures.

2.1 Trade Statistics

2.1.1 Available Data: Imports, Total Exports, Domestic Exports and Re-Exports

- The online database of Trade Statistics provides information on the following:
  a) Imports into Mauritius
  b) Total Exports from Mauritius
  c) Domestic Exports from Mauritius - Domestic Exports are defined as exports of goods that are produced locally or that have undergone substantial transformation in Mauritius.
d) **Re-Exports** from Mauritius - Re-Exports include goods that are imported into Mauritius and are re-exported to other countries from the Freeport Zone.

Thus, Total Exports is the sum of Domestic Exports and Re-Exports. It is worth noting that the online search database provides data for the last 16 years, i.e. from 2000 to 2015 and that all data disseminated on the website emanates from *Statistics Mauritius*.

### 2.1.2 Finding and Downloading the Required Statistics

- To choose the variable that is of interest to you, click on the radio button next to it.

Example: If you want to find Re-Exports from Mauritius, click on the radio button here.

- You must also choose the time period for which you wish to download the data. Data can be downloaded for time periods of 1 year up to a maximum of 5 years.

Click, Hold and Slide the ⬇️ buttons along the timeline to choose the required time period.

To find data for 1 year only (e.g. 2013), both ⬇️ buttons should be collapsed to the year of interest.

- The next step involves specifying the **Country** or **Region** from which Mauritius imports or to which Mauritius exports.
Lastly, you need to specify the product for which you wish to download the trade statistics.

This is done by specifying the:

a) **HS Code** of the product - HS Code stands for Harmonised System Code which is used by Customs to classify products. For detailed information on HS Codes, you may wish to visit the World Customs Organisation (WCO) website on this [link](#).

b) **OR Description** of the product

After choosing all required fields, click on the Search button.

Note: If you want to find results for all **HS Codes**, make sure the field “Please Enter your HS Code” is cleared before clicking on Search.

Example: The screenshot below shows the variables that need to be chosen if one wants to search for Total Imports of Air Compressors for the period 2013-2014.
The results will appear as follows at the bottom of the page:

- Detailed results show the imports of the product by country in ascending order of value in Mauritian Rupees.

Only the total for each HS Code is displayed on the screen. For more details, click on the + button.

Total Imports of air compressors for 2014.

Detailed data that appears after clicking on the + button.
To print or download the full set of data, you should ensure that you have expanded all the results by clicking on the + button on the left of the page. Then, click on the Export to Excel or Print buttons which are highlighted in the figure below.
2.2 Comparison Tool

- This tool enables you to compare trade statistics, in terms of value and quantity, by country or by region for a period of 5 years.

- In order to use the Comparison Tool, you have to know the HS Code of the product of interest at 8-digit level.

2.2.1 Required Inputs

- The required inputs are summarised in the screenshots below:

1. Choose a maximum of 5 countries or 1 region for which you would like to run the comparison.
2. Enter the 8-digit HS Code of the product.
3. Click on the VIEW button.
2.2.2 Interpreting the Results

- To view the results, you have to scroll to the bottom of the page. The first graph shows a comparison by value whilst the second graph displays the comparison by quantity.

![Comparison by Value](image1)

- Clicking on this icon gives you several options to download or print the graph.

![Comparison by Quantity](image2)

- Positioning the cursor on a data point for a specific year provides detailed figures for all countries.

- A table with the figures used to plot the graphs can also be exported to excel or printed.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HS Code</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Unit</th>
<th>Quantity</th>
<th>FOB(Rs)</th>
<th>Country</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>160413</td>
<td>TUNAS, SHIPPED A AND ARTHICISHED, WHOLE OR PARCELS BUT NOT IN VEG. OILS</td>
<td>2010</td>
<td>Kg</td>
<td>3256</td>
<td>4,269,497</td>
<td>Belgium</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>160413</td>
<td>TUNAS, SHIPPED A AND ARTHICISHED, WHOLE OR PARCELS BUT NOT IN VEG. OILS</td>
<td>2011</td>
<td>Kg</td>
<td>4258.92</td>
<td>6,156,436</td>
<td>Belgium</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>160413</td>
<td>TUNAS, SHIPPED A AND ARTHICISHED, WHOLE OR PARCELS BUT NOT IN VEG. OILS</td>
<td>2012</td>
<td>Kg</td>
<td>5364.25</td>
<td>7,934,228</td>
<td>Belgium</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>160413</td>
<td>TUNAS, SHIPPED A AND ARTHICISHED, WHOLE OR PARCELS BUT NOT IN VEG. OILS</td>
<td>2013</td>
<td>Kg</td>
<td>6121.58</td>
<td>9,390,164</td>
<td>Belgium</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>160413</td>
<td>TUNAS, SHIPPED A AND ARTHICISHED, WHOLE OR PARCELS BUT NOT IN VEG. OILS</td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>Kg</td>
<td>677,320</td>
<td>9,390,164</td>
<td>Belgium</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- The table is useful if one wants to know the units in which the quantity variable is measured. It should be noted that the units vary with the HS Code.
2.3 Market Share

- The Market Share tool allows you to calculate your share of imports or exports for a particular product and for markets of your choice.

2.3.1 Required Inputs

- The inputs required by the user are described in the figures below.

Click on the appropriate radio button to choose the variable of interest to you.

1. Select the country or region for which you wish to know your market share.

2. Enter the 8-digit HS Code of your product or type a keyword and choose from the dropdown list available.

3. Select the time period for which you want to calculate your market share (only last 3-5 years available).

Enter your company values (in Mauritian Rupees) for each year here.

Click View to get the required results.
If a company exports Men's Trousers and Shorts of Synthetic Fibre (HS Code: 61034310) manufactured in Mauritius to the United States and wishes to calculate its market share of exports to the US for the last 3 years, the inputs on the screen would be as follows:

2.3.2 Interpreting the Results
- Clicking on the VIEW button will display the results as percentages and in the form of a graph:

The value of company’s exports for each year should be entered here.

Clicking on this icon gives you several options to download or print the graph.

Positioning the cursor on a data point for a specific year provides the exact market share.
3.0 Customs Duties and Taxes

- Our online database is built using data provided by the Customs Department of the Mauritius Revenue Authority.

- It allows the user to determine the Customs Duty, Excise Duty and VAT applied on specific products at import into Mauritius.

- While every effort has been made to ensure that the information in this database is accurate, the MCCI does not hold itself liable for any consequences, legal or otherwise, arising out of the use of any such information. Only the latest official version of the law is authoritative.

3.1 Searching for Duties and Taxes

- The screenshot below describes the inputs that you need to enter.

Enter your HS Code at 4, 6 or 8-digit level or enter a product description.

Note that if you choose to use HS Code, you need to clear the Description field before proceeding. The same applies if you choose to use Description. Click on the Search button to view the results.

- If you are not familiar with HS Codes, the Need Help? functionality can be useful.

Clicking on “Need Help?” will open a new window that groups the Chapters in which different products are categorised. For example, as shown below, live animals and animal products are classified in Section 1 which encompasses Chapters 1 to 5.
For instance, clicking on Section 1 will lead to the screen below which shows the Chapter level breakdown:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Chapters : Sections / Chapters</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>CHAPTERS:</strong> Live animals; animal products.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Chapter</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For example, if you wish to know the HS Code of a product categorised under “Fish and Crustaceans”, click here.
This will display the HS Codes at 8-digit level as shown below. Upon choosing the HS Code that is of interest to you, you will be redirected to the Customs Duties and Taxes Home Page.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HSCode</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Unit</th>
<th>Custom Duty</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>03011100</td>
<td>Freshwater</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03011100</td>
<td>Other</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03011200</td>
<td>Trout (Salmo trutta, Oncorhynchus mykiss, Oncorhynchus clarki, Oncorhynchus aguabonita, Oncorhynchus gairdneri, Oncorhynchus keta and Oncorhynchus chrysopterus)</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03011200</td>
<td>Eels (Anguilla spp.)</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03011200</td>
<td>Carp (Cypinnus carpio, Carassius carassius, Ophiophagus lineatus, Hypophthalmichthys spp., Oreina spp., Melobesia lineata)</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03011200</td>
<td>Atlantic and Pacific yellowtails (Thunnus albacares, Thunnus orientalis)</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03011200</td>
<td>Southern mackerel (Thynnus macarellus)</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03011200</td>
<td>Other</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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<td>Trout (Salmo trutta, Oncorhynchus mykiss, Oncorhynchus clarki, Oncorhynchus aguabonita, Oncorhynchus gairdneri, Oncorhynchus keta and Oncorhynchus chrysopterus)</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03011200</td>
<td>Pacific salmon (Oncorhynchus nerka, Oncorhynchus gorbuscha, Oncorhynchus keta, Oncorhynchus tschentscheri, Oncorhynchus</td>
<td>kg</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For example, choosing 03011100 in the above list will lead to the screen shown below. Click on the Search button to view the final results. Remember to clear the Description field before proceeding.

Click here to view the duties and taxes applicable at import in Mauritius.

Clear this field before clicking on Search.
4.0 Other Useful Resources

- A number of resources that facilitate global market analysis as well as research on standards, tariffs and trade agreements have been developed by international bodies such as the International Trade Centre. These resources are described in detail on our [website](http://www.mcci.org).

- The table below lists the links to the user guides of the tools that may be of interest to the business community. Please note that you may have to register using your email address in order to access the data.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Tool</th>
<th>Link to User Guide</th>
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