



## Egypt

**106,437,241**

Population (2021 est.)

**\$303.1 billion**

Real GDP (2019 est.)

**43%**

Trade Contribution  
to GDP (2019)

## GEOGRAPHY

Location	Area	Border Countries	Natural Resources
North Africa	1,001,450 sq km	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Libya</li> <li>Sudan</li> <li>Gaza Strip</li> <li>Israel</li> </ul>	Petroleum, Natural Gas, Iron Ore, Phosphates, Manganese, Limestone, Gypsum, Talc, Asbestos, Lead, Rare Earth Elements, Zinc

## ECONOMY

Economic Sectors GDP Contribution	Dominant Industries
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agriculture: 11.05%</li> <li>Industry: 35.62%</li> <li>Services: 50.47%</li> </ul>	Textiles, Food Processing, Tourism, Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals, Hydrocarbons, Construction, Cement, Metals, Light Manufactures

## AFRICAN TRADE PROFILE

Total Export Value-\$4.77 billion (2019)		Top Export Destinations	Total Import Value-\$2.1 billion (2019)		Top Import Origins
Top Exported Goods	AFRICA (ALL PRODUCTS)		Top Imported Goods	AFRICA (ALL PRODUCTS)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Petroleum</li> <li>Mixtures of odoriferous substances</li> <li>Cigarettes</li> <li>Wheat Flour</li> <li>Cement</li> <li>Fertilizer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Libya</li> <li>Tunisia</li> <li>Morocco</li> <li>Algeria</li> <li>Sudan</li> <li>Kenya</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Copper</li> <li>Petroleum</li> <li>Tea</li> <li>Natural Gas</li> <li>Tobacco</li> <li>Vehicles</li> <li>Cotton</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Algeria</li> <li>Kenya</li> <li>Zambia</li> <li>Sudan</li> <li>Libya</li> </ul>	



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## NIGERIA'S OPPORTUNITIES IN EGYPT

Egypt's Major Imports of Interest to Nigeria	
Wheat	\$3.02 Billion
Motor Vehicles	\$2.55 Billion
Medicaments	\$2.2 Billion
Soya Beans	\$1.7 Billion
Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel	\$1.06 Billion

## INSIGHT

**Wheat** - In 2019, The value of Egypt's imports of wheat amounted to \$3.02 billion. None of these imports came from Africa. Nigeria reported exports worth \$73,000 in the same year.

**Vehicles** - Egypt imported motor vehicles worth \$2.55 billion in 2019. Majority of imports were passenger vehicles, tractors, and auto parts. No exports were reported by Nigeria for the year.

**Medicaments** - Egypt recorded imports of medicaments to the tune of \$2.2 Billion in 2019. Its top supplying markets are currently Switzerland, Germany and France, with no significant supply from Africa. Nigeria reported exports of \$332,000 in the same year, most of which was supplied to Africa.

**Soya Beans** - Egypt imported soya beans worth \$1.7 billion in 2019. It's top trade partner for this product are currently the United States, Argentina and Ukraine. These countries accounted for almost all its total trade of soya. Nigeria's exports of this product were \$46,000 for the year.

**Iron & Steel** - Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel imports by Egypt amounted to \$1.06 billion in 2019. Currently, Egypt's only African trade partner for this product is Libya, with majority of imports coming from Russia, Ukraine and Turkey. Nigeria reported no exports for semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel in the same year.

*There are opportunities for Nigeria, across these products in Egypt.*

## IMPORT REQUIREMENTS AND RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

Egyptian law stipulates that consignment documentation for Egyptian agencies at ports of entry are to be submitted through a new single window system called 'Nafeza' 48 hours prior to shipment arrival.

Importers of shipment into Egypt must sign into the e-portal (<https://www.nafeza.gov.eg/ar>) to submit the required shipping documents.

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- i. Commercial Invoice:** Two copies plus the original document are required
- ii. Certificate of Origin:** Two copies plus the original document are required
- iii. Packing List**
- iv. Bill of Lading:** Showing the name of the shipper, the address, and the number of bills of lading issued
- v. Pro Forma Invoice**
- vi. Letter of Credit**
- vii. Content Analysis of the Commodity:** Required for those products that may be subject to standards testing

**SEE:** Export/Imports laws and regulation at [www.nafeza.gov.eg/en](http://www.nafeza.gov.eg/en)

## STANDARDS FOR TRADE

### LABELLING/MARKING REQUIREMENTS

Finished goods that are imported for retail sale must have the product's country of origin, the producer's name and product description in Arabic, in a clearly visible position on the packaging. Special regulations exist for some items, including but not limited to foodstuffs, pharmaceuticals and textiles.

Poultry and meat products must be shipped directly from the country of origin to Egypt and sealed in packaging with details in Arabic both inside and outside. Appropriate packaging must be provided for food products. These should be clean and odorless to preserve the product and prevent damage. Production and expiration dates must be clearly displayed on the product's packaging in Arabic.

### Prohibited & Restricted Imports

- Used Passenger Vehicles
- Beef and Beef Products
- Poultry Parts
- Seed Potatoes
- Soybean Meal
- Medical Equipment and Supplies

## FOR HELP

### Nigerian Export Promotion Council (NEPC)

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