

THE USVI'S UNITED STATES & FOREIGN REGIONS SELECTED IMPORTS REVIEW

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JANUARY TO DECEMBER

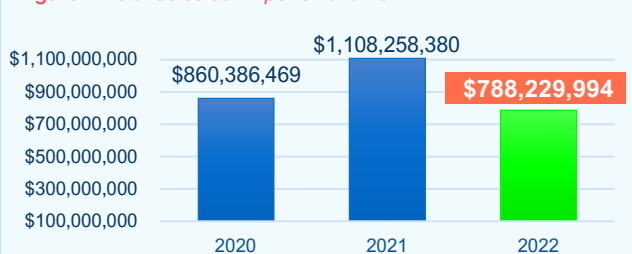


The "Selected Imports Review" is an annual analysis of the goods imported to the U.S. Virgin Islands (USVI) from both the United States and foreign countries. This report provides in-depth data on frequently imported items such as clothing, footwear, and gasoline. It includes graphs and tables that illustrate the variations in imports from both regions to the USVI.

U.S. & FOREIGN IMPORTED PRODUCTS TO THE USVI: JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2022

The total of 2022 selected imports of goods summed to \$788.2 million in value compared to \$1.1 billion in 2021. That dollar amount reflects a 28.9% decrease in value from 2021. However, caution should be taken when interpreting data on selected goods imports because **Crude Oil values for 2022 are not yet available**.

Figure 1: Total Selected Imports 2020-2022



Among the USVI's top selected imports of goods, those benefiting from the strongest growth in value were T-shirts (up 331.1% from 2021, Gasoline (up 106.8%), Clothing (up 158.8%), Jewelry (up (141.7%), and Watches (up 120.1%) as shown in Table 1 and Figure 2.

Year-over-year declines in value in import purchases were for Handkerchiefs down 67.5%. Portland Cement decreased by 48.5%, Propane by 39.6%, and Cleaning Supplies by 42.6%.

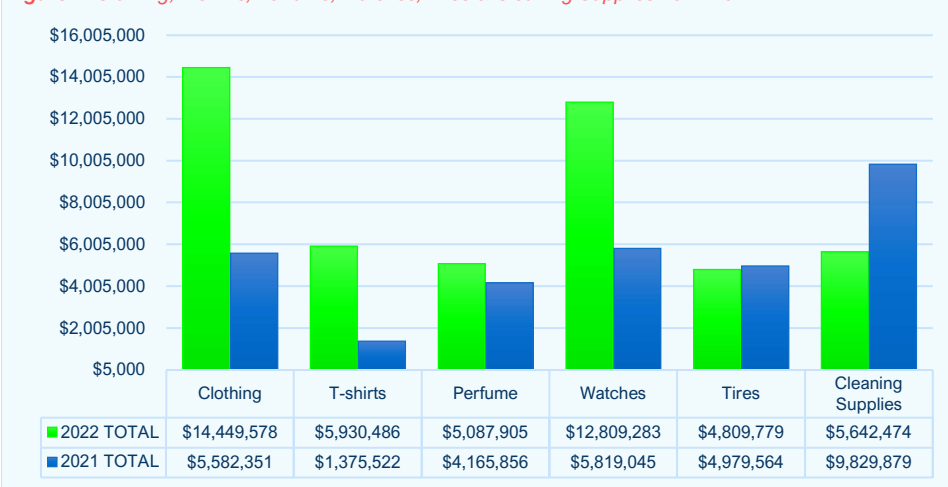
For selected imports shown in this report, the U.S. is by far the top source of goods, making up 98% and totaling \$770,787,000 in 2022, with the remaining 2% coming from foreign regions totaling \$17,442,994. From foreign areas, the highest import comes from Asia. The next biggest exporters of goods to the USVI are South-Central America and Europe in 2022.

Table 1: 2021 -2022 Selected Imports categorized by Regions (United States and Foreign)

Apparel	U.S.	Foreign	2022 TOTAL	2021 TOTAL	% Chg.
Clothing	\$14,297,000	\$152,578	\$14,449,578	\$5,582,351	158.8
Footwear	\$6,188,000	\$0	\$6,188,000	\$5,158,520	20.0
Handbag Items	\$393,000	\$16,625	\$409,625	\$242,794	68.7
Handkerchiefs	\$13,000	\$0	\$13,000	\$40,000	-67.5
Hat & Headgear	\$498,000	\$21,368	\$519,368	\$265,183	95.9
T-shirts	\$5,903,000	\$27,486	\$5,930,486	\$1,375,522	331.1
Tourist Items	U.S.	Foreign	2022 TOTAL	2021 TOTAL	% Chg.
Cameras	\$136,000	\$0	\$136,000	\$83,000	63.9
China	\$1,446,000	\$0	\$1,446,000	\$1,101,000	31.3
Cigarettes	\$2,504,000	\$0	\$2,504,000	\$3,492,000	-28.3
Crystal	\$176,000	\$0	\$176,000	\$121,227	45.2
Jewelry	\$399,748,000	\$9,603,528	\$409,351,528	\$169,345,903	141.7
Leather	\$3,572,000	\$97,133	\$3,669,133	\$2,318,961	58.2
Linen	\$1,478,000	\$61,522	\$1,539,522	\$1,021,679	50.7
Make-up	\$852,000	\$0	\$852,000	\$1,029,815	-17.3
Perfume	\$5,080,000	\$7,905	\$5,087,905	\$4,165,856	22.1
Watches	\$12,239,000	\$570,283	\$12,809,283	\$5,819,045	120.1
Industrial Items	U.S.	Foreign	2022 TOTAL	2021 TOTAL	% Chg.
Crude Petroleum	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$704,626,718	N/A
Gasoline	\$268,374,000	\$6,052,916	\$274,426,916	\$132,698,000	106.8
Paint Varnish	\$7,252,000	\$0	\$7,252,000	\$6,031,455	20.2
Portland Cement	\$786,000	\$118,275	\$904,275	\$1,756,550	-48.5
Propane	\$26,852,000	\$0	\$26,852,000	\$44,456,000	-39.6
Tires	\$4,238,000	\$571,779	\$4,809,779	\$4,979,564	-3.4
Household Items	U.S.	Foreign	2022 TOTAL	2021 TOTAL	% Chg.
Bath Supplies	\$80,000	\$0	\$80,000	\$54,000	48.1
Bed Linen	\$730,000	\$37,027	\$767,027	\$973,362	-21.2
Carpeting	\$831,000	\$0	\$831,000	\$462,854	79.5
Cleaning Supplies	\$5,630,000	\$12,474	\$5,642,474	\$9,829,879	-42.6
Curtains & Drapes	\$466,000	\$73,830	\$539,830	\$331,731	62.7
Insecticides	\$330,000	\$0	\$330,000	\$126,000	161.9
Toilet Paper	\$695,000	\$18,265	\$713,265	\$769,411	-7.3
Total	\$770,787,000	\$17,442,994	\$788,229,994	\$1,108,258,380	-28.9

Please Note: Crude petroleum data is not currently available.

Figure 2: Clothing, T-shirts, Perfume, Watches, Tires & Cleaning Supplies 2021-2022



2020-2022 TOTAL IMPORTS TO THE USVI:

The total import value of all items, including items not listed in this report, to the US Virgin Islands in 2022 totaled \$4.9 billion, a 32.4% increase compared to 2021, as shown in Figure 3.

Figure 3: Total Imports 2020-2022

