

# AUSTRALIA'S IMPORTS FROM THE PACIFIC **A REVIEW**







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# ABOUT THIS REPORT

***Australia's Imports from the Pacific: A Review*** has been prepared by Pacific Trade Invest (PTI) Australia, using data provided by the Australian Government's Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF). The sources for these data include the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), United Nations (UN) Comtrade database, and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations.

The purpose of this report is to provide businesses, industry bodies and governments with valuable data to understand the Australian market and ongoing trade relationships with Pacific exporters.

This report examines Australia's select imports of the following commodities from the Pacific from 2020 to 2024:

- cassava
- cocoa beans
- (whole) coconut
- coconut oil
- (green) coffee beans
- ginger
- papaya
- prawns
- sweet potato
- taro
- tuna
- turmeric
- yam
- vanilla.

The report also examines key market data for the following Pacific commodities not currently imported by Australia:

- chillies
- lemons and limes
- mangoes, guavas and mangosteens.



# KEY INSIGHTS



The Pacific's coconut oil market share in Australia is growing substantially. In 2020, Pacific coconut oil only represented 3.7% of Australia's total import value and 3.5% of total import volume. This grew to 10.5% and 19.2%, respectively, in 2024. This growth represents a 183.7% relative value increase, and 448.5% relative volume increase over the five-year period.



The Pacific's cassava market share in Australia is also growing. In 2020, Pacific cassava accounted for 37.6% of Australia's total import value, growing to 55% by 2024. This represents a 46% relative value increase over the five-year period.



The Pacific's vanilla market share has bounced back. In 2021, Pacific vanilla accounted for 33.3% of Australia's total import value, which dipped to only 11.4% in 2022. As of 2024, Pacific vanilla imports had increased to 36.6%, with the quantity of vanilla being imported from PNG nearly doubling over the two-year time frame.



The Pacific's tuna market share in Australia represents opportunity for growth, currently representing only 0.2% of both total market import value and volume. The tuna market in Australia is large; the third-largest market in the selected commodities, after (green) coffee beans and prawns. The Pacific's entry into the market represents a substantial opportunity for future growth.

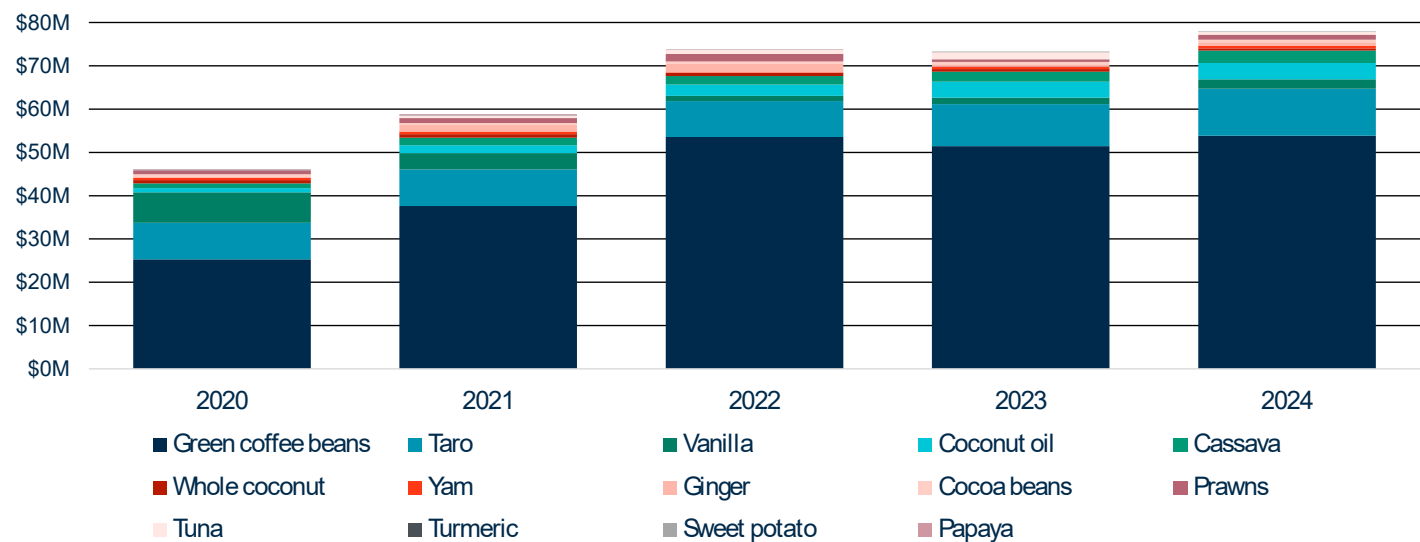


# OVERVIEW

Overall, Australian imports from the Pacific of the selected commodities saw a 1.5x increase in value between 2020 and 2024. That increase equates to a 10% compound annual growth rate (CAGR).

## VALUE (A\$M) OF AUSTRALIA'S SELECT IMPORTS FROM THE PACIFIC

Source: ABS 2025

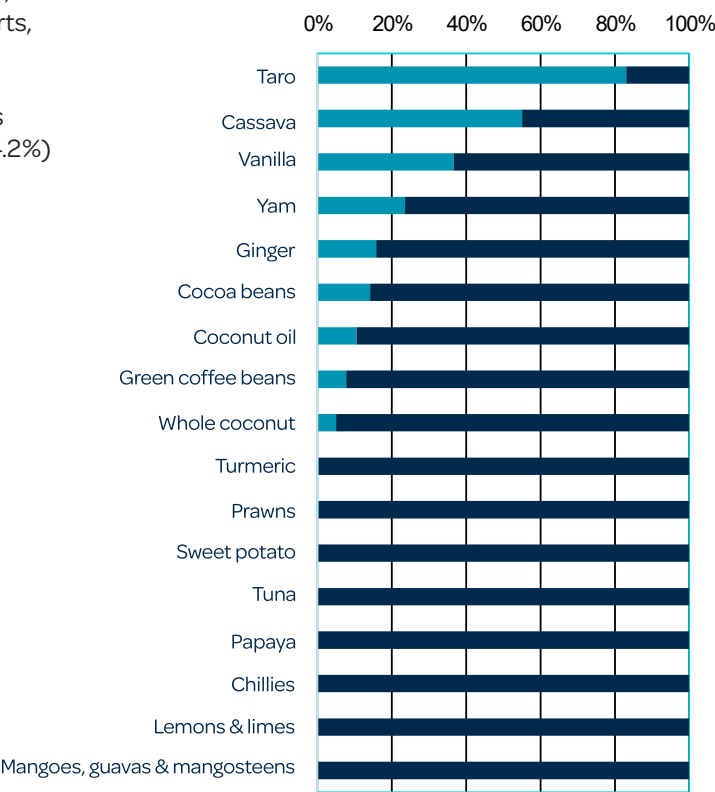


## SHARE OF IMPORTS

The Pacific was Australia's largest supplier of taro and cassava, representing 83% and 55% (by value) of Australia's total imports, respectively.

Australia also sourced a significant proportion (by value) of its vanilla (36.6%), yams (23.6%), ginger (15.8%), cocoa beans (14.2%) and coconut oil (10.5%) imports from the Pacific.

### PER CENT OF AUSTRALIA'S IMPORTS SUPPLIED BY THE PACIFIC (BY VALUE)



Source: ABS 2025

Pacific contribution

Rest of the world contribution



# CASSAVA

## FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific cassava grew by 17.4 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 46% relative increase.

**Volume** – Pacific cassava grew by 9.1 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 17% relative increase.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia was the Pacific's largest market for cassava exports.*

Australia sources the majority of its cassava from the Pacific.


In 2024, Pacific cassava represented 55% of Australia's total import value and 61.5% of total import volume.

Fiji supplied 28.5% of Australia's cassava imports (by value), while Tonga supplied 24%.

KEY	Value (\$A)		Volume (kg)			
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Fiji	536,552	937,327	1,084,590	1,202,440	1,505,732	
	352,398	447,319	484,801	507,185	521,880	
Niue	2,631	4,519	2,568	0	0	
	559	920	710	0	0	
Papua New Guinea	23,905	0	0	0	1,650	
	13,800	0	0	0	1,500	
Samoa	0	0	2,048	13,344	0	
	0	0	4,693	1,668	0	
Solomon Islands	15,000	32,786	63,312	122,295	110,183	
	13,910	25,317	42,430	90,230	82,810	
Tonga	517,978	712,701	734,838	895,767	1,286,037	
	767,632	909,181	791,616	1,020,310	1,146,185	
Vanuatu	0	48,308	88,159	34,445	0	
	15,720	40,900	11,495	0	0	
Total from the Pacific	1,096,065	1,735,640	1,975,516	2,268,290	2,903,601	
	1,148,299	1,398,457	1,365,150	1,630,888	1,752,375	
Global Total	2,912,501	3,465,843	3,742,528	4,259,385	5,276,036	
	2,193,426	2,404,081	2,251,711	2,530,009	2,849,944	
% Pacific	37.60%	50.10%	52.80%	53.30%	55.00%	
	52.40%	58.20%	60.60%	64.50%	61.50%	

Source: ABS 2025





## COCOA BEANS


Australia sources a significant proportion of its cocoa beans from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific cocoa beans represented 14.2% of Australia's total import value and 19.8% of total import volume. PNG supplied 11.5% of Australia's cocoa bean imports (by value), followed by Vanuatu, Samoa and the Solomon Islands.

### FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific cocoa beans dropped by 1.1 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 71% relative decrease.

**Volume** – Pacific cocoa beans dropped by 5.6 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 22% relative decrease.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia imported only 0.3% of the Pacific's total cocoa bean exports, while Malaysia was the region's largest importer.*



## WHOLE COCONUT

Australia sources a moderate proportion of its whole coconuts from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific whole coconuts represented 5% of Australia's total import value and 8.5% of total import volume. Samoa supplied 4.3% of Australia's whole coconut imports (by value), followed by Tonga.

### FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific whole coconuts dropped by 4.6 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 47.9% relative decrease.

**Volume** – Pacific whole coconuts dropped by 7.7 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 47.5% relative decrease.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia was the largest importer of the Pacific's coconut exports.*

KEY	Value (\$A)		COCOA BEANS		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fiji	6,208	1,700	0	0	0
	540	170	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	309,670	319,619	324,636	483,624	521,817
	75,176	81,592	62,064	76,006	85,155
Samoa	45,268	33,105	49,337	0	40,505
	3,977	4,231	6,318	0	4,000
Solomon Islands	136,395	119,194	35,054	16,498	12,779
	42,500	26,268	8,025	2,657	1,228
Vanuatu	5,416	8,753	12,403	27,947	63,162
	2,160	3,880	5,125	7,560	8,250
Total from the Pacific	502,957	482,370	421,430	528,069	638,262
	124,353	116,141	81,532	86,223	98,633
Global Total	3,297,959	2,964,288	3,398,373	3,093,347	4,508,351
	488,920	485,441	513,706	462,515	496,915
% Pacific	15.30%	16.30%	12.40%	17.10%	14.20%
	25.40%	23.90%	15.90%	18.60%	19.80%

Source: ABS 2025

KEY	Value (\$A) Volume (kg)					WHOLE COCONUT				
PARTNER	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024	
Fiji	0		3,237		0		0		0	
	0		3,609		0		0		0	
Samoa	498,348		566,455		543,991		430,850		430,478	
	568,306		564,000		590,687		425,749		414,357	
Solomon Islands	28,242		29,352		21,297		0		0	
	24,000		25,100		14,760		0		0	
Tonga	226,366		205,529		152,340		194,683		68,964	
	262,455		255,915		196,630		204,416		90,086	
Vanuatu	0		20,572		0		0		0	
	0		31,500		0		0		0	
Total from the Pacific	752,957		825,145		717,627		625,534		499,442	
	854,761		880,124		802,077		630,165		504,443	
Global Total	7,821,800		8,534,796		9,681,102		8,539,828		9,910,971	
	5,263,320		5,251,691		5,619,433		5,677,882		5,915,502	
% Pacific	9.60%		9.70%		7.40%		7.30%		5.00%	
	16.20%		16.80%		14.30%		11.10%		8.50%	

Source: ABS 2025





## COCONUT OIL

Australia sources a significant proportion of its coconut oil from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific coconut oil represented 10.5% of Australia's total import value and 19.2% of total import volume. Fiji supplied 7.2% of Australia's coconut oil imports (by value), followed by PNG, Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands.

### FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific coconut oil grew by 6.8 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 183.7% relative increase.

**Volume** – Pacific coconut oil grew by 15.7 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 448.5% relative increase.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia imported 5% of the Pacific's total coconut oil exports, which included 90% of Fiji's total coconut oil exports.*



## GREEN COFFEE

Australia sources a moderate proportion of its green coffee beans from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific green coffee beans represented 7.8% of Australia's total import value and 8% of total import volume. PNG supplied all of Australia's Pacific green coffee beans in 2024.

### FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific green coffee beans grew by 1.3 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 20% relative increase.

**Volume** – Pacific green coffee beans grew by 1.4 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 21.2% relative increase.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia imported 14% of the Pacific's total coffee exports. The largest importer of the Pacific region's green coffee beans was Germany.*

KEY

Value (\$A)  
Volume (kg)

COCONUT OIL

PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Cook Islands	0	27,313	19,680	0	0
	0	4,042	3,084	0	0
Fiji	255,143	363,495	1,237,474	2,799,638	2,587,807
	183,390	195,910	521,902	1,774,260	1,655,461
French Polynesia	1,779	0	0	0	0
	10	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	282,121	298,636	141,169	98,176	638,231
	56,340	52,090	24,514	16,740	429,620
Samoa	0	2,160	0	0	0
	0	50	0	0	0
Solomon Islands	285,089	982,640	754,903	288,993	201,352
	58,570	381,000	221,390	91,600	50,340
Tonga	1,024	0	0	0	0
	40	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	151,476	131,269	454,729	496,760	329,986
	92,954	63,800	187,800	232,020	166,500
Total from the Pacific	976,633	1,805,514	2,607,956	3,683,567	3,757,376
	391,304	696,892	958,690	2,114,620	2,301,921
Global Total	26,496,030	39,853,919	41,247,376	31,121,624	35,776,484
	11,312,751	13,227,391	11,241,155	10,620,187	11,989,692
% Pacific	3.70%	4.50%	6.30%	11.80%	10.50%
	3.50%	5.30%	8.50%	19.90%	19.20%

KEY


Value (\$A)  
Volume (kg)

GREEN COFFEE BEANS

Source: ABS 2025

Source: ABS 2025





# GINGER


Australia sources a significant proportion of its ginger from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific ginger represented 15.8% of Australia's total import value and 18.7% of total import volume. Fiji supplied all of Australia's Pacific ginger in 2024.

## FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific ginger grew by 9.6 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 154.8% relative increase.

**Volume** – Pacific ginger grew by 9.8 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 110.1% relative increase.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia was the largest single importer of the Pacific's ginger.*



# PAPAYA

Australia sourced the majority of its papayas from the Pacific up until 2023. From 2023 onwards, Australia did not import any papayas from the Pacific. In 2020, 2021 and 2022, Pacific papaya represented 97.6%, 99% and 75.2% of Australia's total import value and 99.2%, 97.2% and 97.1% of total import volume, respectively. Fiji supplied all of Australia's Pacific papaya during those years.

## FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific papaya dropped by 97.6 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 100% relative decrease.

**Volume** – Pacific papaya dropped by 99.2 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 100% relative decrease.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, the Pacific also exported papaya to New Zealand and Canada.*


KEY	Value (\$A)		GINGER		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fiji	339,758	1,513,052	2,077,266	567,687	849,868
	119,800	579,780	607,503	116,320	183,120
Vanuatu	7,709	0	2,250	16,200	0
	45	0	9	105	0
Total from the Pacific	347,467	1,513,052	2,079,516	583,887	849,868
	119,845	579,780	607,512	116,425	183,120
Global Total	5,564,351	8,259,140	7,448,210	4,110,183	5,373,425
	1,339,514	2,161,511	1,823,221	744,940	977,947
% Pacific	6.20%	18.30%	27.90%	14.20%	15.80%
	8.90%	26.80%	33.30%	15.60%	18.70%

Source: ABS 2025

KEY	Value (\$A)		PAPAYA		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fiji	132,206	158,635	18,035	0	0
	29,439	26,090	3,785	0	0
Total from the Pacific	132,206	158,635	18,035	0	0
	29,439	26,090	3,785	0	0
Global Total	135,485	160,175	23,975	1,089	0
	29,684	26,840	3,897	105	0
% Pacific	97.60%	99.00%	75.20%	0.00%	0.00%
	99.20%	97.20%	97.10%	0.00%	0.00%

Source: ABS 2025





# PRAWNS


Australia sources a small proportion of its prawns from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific prawns represented 0.2% of Australia's total import value and 0.3% of total import volume. New Caledonia supplied all of Australia's Pacific prawns in 2024.

## FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific prawns' Australian market share stayed the same.

**Volume** – Pacific prawns grew by 0.2 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 200% relative increase.

*Note: According to UN Comtrade, in 2023, Japan, the United States and France imported the most prawns from the Pacific (by value). While Japan imported prawns from PNG, the United States and France imported from New Caledonia.*



# SWEET POTATO

Australia sources a small proportion of its sweet potato from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific sweet potato represented 3.6% of Australia's total import value and 1.3% of total import volume. Tonga supplied all of Australia's Pacific sweet potato in 2024.

## FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific sweet potato dropped by 8.9 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 71.2% relative decrease.

**Volume** – Pacific sweet potato dropped by 7.7 percentage points in the Australian market, representing an 85.5% relative decrease.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia was the largest importer of the Pacific's sweet potato exports.*

KEY	Value (\$A)		PRAWNS		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
New Caledonia	899,453	1,139,327	1,794,364	595,718	1,156,497
	41,809	209,386	362,964	25,812	94,188
Total from the Pacific	899,453	1,139,327	1,794,364	595,718	1,156,497
	41,809	209,386	362,964	25,812	94,188
Global Total	396,020,772	410,831,344	578,813,390	491,333,507	496,415,634
	28,102,750	30,771,017	38,150,303	32,104,082	34,947,726
% Pacific	0.20%	0.30%	0.30%	0.10%	0.20%
	0.10%	0.70%	1.00%	0.10%	0.30%

Source: ABS 2025

KEY	Value (\$A)		SWEET POTATO		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Tonga	137,898	117,193	0	91,066	65,794
	69,876	53,720	0	33,482	14,924
Total from the Pacific	137,898	117,193	0	91,066	65,794
	69,876	53,720	0	33,482	14,924
Global Total	1,105,685	1,567,725	1,349,420	1,943,784	1,802,755
	780,614	1,298,649	926,720	1,166,259	1,143,035
% Pacific	12.50%	7.50%	0.00%	4.70%	3.60%
	9.00%	4.10%	0.00%	2.90%	1.30%

Source: ABS 2025





# TARO

FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific taro dropped by 0.1 percentage point in the Australian market, representing a 0.1% relative decrease.

**Volume** – Pacific taro dropped by 5.7 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 7.1% relative decrease.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia imported 38% of the Pacific's total taro exports, the second-largest importer after New Zealand.*

Australia sources the majority of its taro from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific taro represented 83% of Australia's total import value and 74.1% of total import volume. Fiji supplied 81.3% of Australia's taro imports (by value), followed by Tonga, Samoa and PNG.



# TUNA

FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific tuna grew by 0.2 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 100% relative increase.

**Volume** – Pacific tuna grew by 0.2 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 100% relative increase.

*Note: According to UN Comtrade, in 2023, Thailand imported a significant amount of tuna from the Pacific.*

Australia sources a small proportion of its tuna from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific tuna represented 0.2% of Australia's total import value and volume. The Solomon Islands supplied 0.1% of Australia's tuna imports (by value), followed by Fiji and Tonga.


KEY	Value (\$A) Volume (kg)		TARO			
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Fiji	8,161,587	7,575,214	7,881,243	9,429,106	10,648,760	
	2,013,408	1,954,310	2,083,384	1,700,630	1,835,922	
Niue	28,763	108,253	105,026	0	0	
	4,365	17,730	18,860	0	0	
Papua New Guinea	11,314	0	0	0	45,533	
	3,730	0	0	0	14,010	
Samoa	123,056	667,333	179,134	132,854	77,376	
	34,174	194,415	54,873	33,580	23,420	
Tonga	127,074	118,097	101,828	140,422	97,577	
	109,446	117,283	100,998	113,342	62,648	
Vanuatu	0	3,958	19,011	5,468	0	
	0	920	8,820	1,146	0	
Total from the Pacific	8,451,794	8,472,856	8,286,242	9,707,849	10,869,245	
	2,165,124	2,284,658	2,266,934	1,848,698	1,936,000	
Global Total	10,169,656	10,358,003	10,082,783	11,772,149	13,090,825	
	2,712,588	2,858,004	2,764,137	2,383,001	2,611,961	
% Pacific	83.10%	81.80%	82.20%	82.50%	83.00%	
	79.80%	79.90%	82.00%	77.60%	74.10%	

Source: ABS 2025

KEY	Value (\$A)		TUNA		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fiji	36,366	59,346	321,169	851,346	114,472
	5,828	7,989	16,396	56,560	14,129
Niue	0	0	19,495	0	0
	0	0	69	0	0
Solomon Islands	2,958	532,885	559,330	795,514	510,342
	245	72,668	76,302	94,808	60,492
Tonga	5,657	0	22,843	25,621	16,224
	460	0	1,760	5,637	3,509
Total from the Pacific	44,981	592,231	922,837	1,672,482	641,038
	6,533	80,656	94,526	157,005	78,130
Global Total	305,726,114	266,616,338	386,508,870	328,861,079	390,421,285
	43,070,563	40,065,206	50,302,123	40,134,711	48,741,456
% Pacific	0.00%	0.20%	0.20%	0.50%	0.20%
	0.00%	0.20%	0.20%	0.40%	0.20%

Source: ABS 2025





# TURMERIC


Australia sources a small proportion of its turmeric from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific turmeric represented 0.4% of Australia’s total import value and 0.2% of total import volume. Fiji supplied all of Australia’s Pacific turmeric in 2024.

## FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific turmeric market share stayed the same.

**Volume** – Pacific turmeric market share stayed the same.

*Note: According to the UN Comtrade, the United States imports a significant amount of turmeric from the Pacific.*



# YAM

Australia sources a significant proportion of its yams from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific yams represented 23.6% of Australia’s total import value and 37.1% of total import volume. Tonga supplied 23.3% of Australia’s yam imports (by value), with a smaller percentage imported from Fiji.

## FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific yams dropped by 11 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 31.7% relative decrease.

**Volume** – Pacific yams dropped by 29.5 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 44% relative decrease.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, Australia was the largest importer of the Pacific’s yam exports.*

KEY	Value (\$A)		TURMERIC		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fiji	20,816	21,868	25,295	24,201	24,074
	3,951	3,141	3,492	4,455	3,135
Total from the Pacific	20,816	21,868	25,295	24,201	24,074
	3,951	3,141	3,492	4,455	3,135
Global Total	5,660,221	4,386,346	5,073,964	5,997,143	6,070,929
	2,035,473	1,428,474	1,575,288	1,979,574	1,454,783
% Pacific	0.40%	0.50%	0.50%	0.40%	0.40%
	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%


Source: ABS 2025

Source: ABS 2025

KEY	Value (\$A)		YAM		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fiji	0	0	1,726	86,296	4,730
	0	0	492	17,796	854
Samoa	4,360	34,723	50,238	1,040	0
	1,533	9,033	10,069	80	0
Tonga	482,833	551,292	77,606	454,300	522,335
	397,595	444,494	70,115	219,265	218,800
Vanuatu	0	0	7,432	0	0
	0	0	1,400	0	0
Total from the Pacific	487,193	586,015	137,002	541,637	527,065
	399,128	453,527	82,076	237,141	219,654
Global Total	1,408,506	1,730,530	1,202,848	1,721,858	2,234,913
	598,974	809,590	325,698	476,575	591,716
% Pacific	34.60%	33.90%	11.40%	31.50%	23.60%
	66.60%	56.00%	25.20%	49.80%	37.10%

Source: ABS 2025





# VANILLA

Australia sources a significant proportion of its vanilla from the Pacific. In 2024, Pacific vanilla represented 36.6% of Australia’s total import value and 25.2% of total import volume. PNG supplied 36.5% of Australia’s vanilla imports (by value), with a small amount coming from French Polynesia.

KEY	Value (\$A)		VANILLA		
	Volume (kg)				
PARTNER	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
French Polynesia	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	9,386 8
Papua New Guinea	7,005,425 33,909	3,745,102 27,963	1,184,579 9,129	1,513,706 11,331	2,174,053 18,071
Pitcairn Islands	4,151 20	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
Tonga	25,130 42	22,876 68	0 0	0 0	0 0
Vanuatu	0 0	0 0	4,670 40	0 0	0 0
Total from the Pacific	7,034,706 33,971	3,767,978 28,031	1,189,249 9,169	1,513,706 11,331	2,183,439 18,079
Global Total	19,911,536 178,750	11,306,800 75,864	10,372,983 61,624	7,584,411 74,560	5,955,718 71,666
% Pacific	35.30% 19%	33.30% 36.90%	11.40% 14.80%	19.90% 15.10%	36.60% 25.20%

Source: ABS 2025

## FROM 2020 TO 2024

**Value** – Pacific vanilla grew by 1.3 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 3.6% relative increase.

**Volume** – Pacific vanilla grew by 6.2 percentage points in the Australian market, representing a 32.6% relative increase.

*Note: According to the FAO, in 2023, France and the United States accounted for most of the vanilla imports from the Pacific.*

## PACIFIC COMMODITIES NOT CURRENTLY EXPORTED TO AUSTRALIA



# CHILLIES

Australia did not import any chillies from the Pacific from 2020 to 2024. Australia’s main suppliers of chillies and capsicums were India (47% by value in 2024), followed by China (22%) and Mexico (5%).

According to the FAO, countries that reported importing chillies from the Pacific, included New Zealand, Canada, the United States, Gabon and Bahrain.


### COUNTRIES THAT REPORTED IMPORTING CHILLIES FROM THE PACIFIC IN 2023 (IN USD)

IMPORTER	EXPORTER								Share of Total
	Cook Islands	Fiji	French Polynesia	New Caledonia	Solomon Islands	Tokelau	Vanuatu	Grand Total in 2023	
Bahrain	0	0	0	0	0	1,000	0	1,000	1%
Canada	0	4,000	0	12,000	0	0	0	16,000	11%
Gabon	3,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,000	2%
New Zealand	0	127,000	0	0	0	0	0	127,000	85%
United States of America	0	3,000	0	0	0	0	0	3,000	2%
Grand Total	3,000	134,000	0	12,000	0	1,000	0	150,000	100%

Source: FAO 2025



PACIFIC COMMODITIES NOT CURRENTLY EXPORTED TO AUSTRALIA



### LEMONS & LIMES

Australia did not import any lemons or limes from the Pacific from 2020 to 2024. Australia's main suppliers of lemons and limes were the United States (43% by value in 2024), followed by Egypt (40%) and the European Union (5%).




According to the FAO, countries that reported importing lemons and limes from the Pacific, included New Zealand, Switzerland, Ukraine and Canada.

COUNTRIES THAT REPORTED IMPORTING LEMONS & LIMES FROM THE PACIFIC IN 2023 (USD)

	EXPORTER					
Importer	Fiji	French Polynesia	New Caledonia	Vanuatu	Grand Total	Share of Total
Canada	1,000	0	0	0	1,000	1%
New Zealand	33,000		3,000	60,000	96,000	90%
Switzerland	0	5,000	0	0	5,000	5%
Ukraine	0	5,000	0	0	5,000	5%
Grand Total	34,000	10,000	3,000	60,000	107,000	100%

Source: FAO 2025

PACIFIC COMMODITIES NOT CURRENTLY EXPORTED TO AUSTRALIA



### MANGOES, GUAVAS & MANGOSTEENS

Australia did not import any mangoes, guavas or mangosteens from the Pacific from 2020 to 2024.

Australia's main suppliers of mangoes, guavas and mangosteens were Vietnam (30% by value in 2024), followed by Thailand (20%) and India (9%).

According to the FAO, Pacific exports of mangoes, guavas and mangosteens are minimal. In 2023, the total value of all categories was less than US\$500. In 2022, Nauru was the only Pacific country to export mangoes, guavas and mangosteens, sending approximately US\$32,000 worth to the Netherlands.

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