



Quarterly Economic Indicators

Q4 2021 vs Q4 2020

Summary

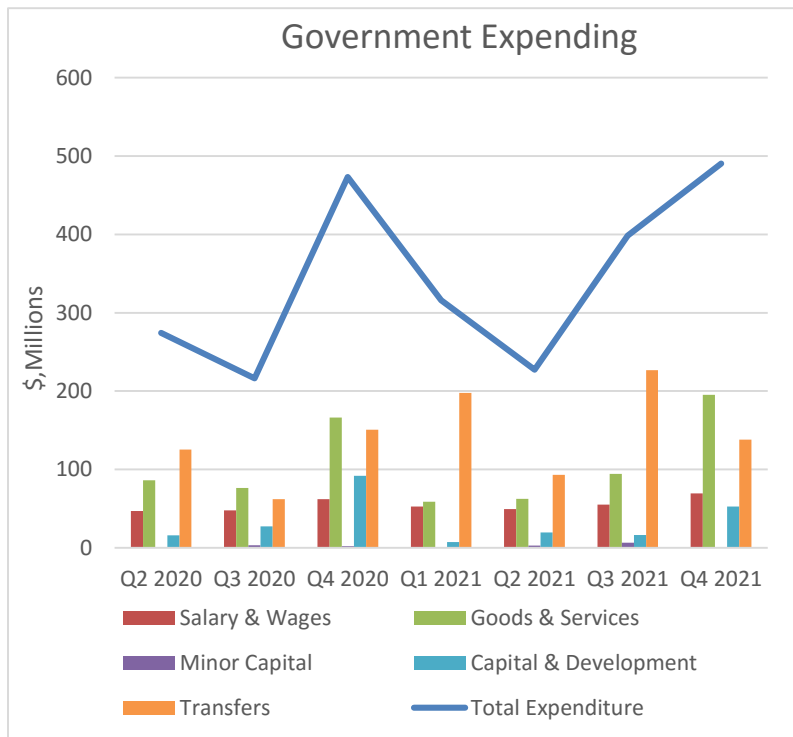
- Total Government Expenditure increased by 4% in Q4 2021 compared to Q4 2020 and also an increase 23% in Q4 compared to Q3 2021. Spending on Goods and Service doubled in the last quarter while Capital and Development increased threefold.
- Domestic revenue was decrease 12% in Q4 compared to the same period last year. This contributed by decreased of Fees and charges by 67% due to EDTL and Bee TL becoming public enterprises in 2021 so they no longer contribute to domestic revenue. However Tax Revenue and domestic income from Autonomous Agencies and RAEO show the positive growth when compared to last year.
- Total imports increased by 52% in Q4 2021 compared same period last year; imports related to construction increased 26%, consumption imports have not change since last year.
- The coffee export rebounded also significantly increase 101% in Q4 compare to same period in 2021, due to the easing of lockdown restrictions and harvesting later in the year.
- Credit slightly increase by 6% in Q4 2021 to Q4 2020 and the interest rate was decrease by 0.2% in Q4 2021 compare to same period in last year.

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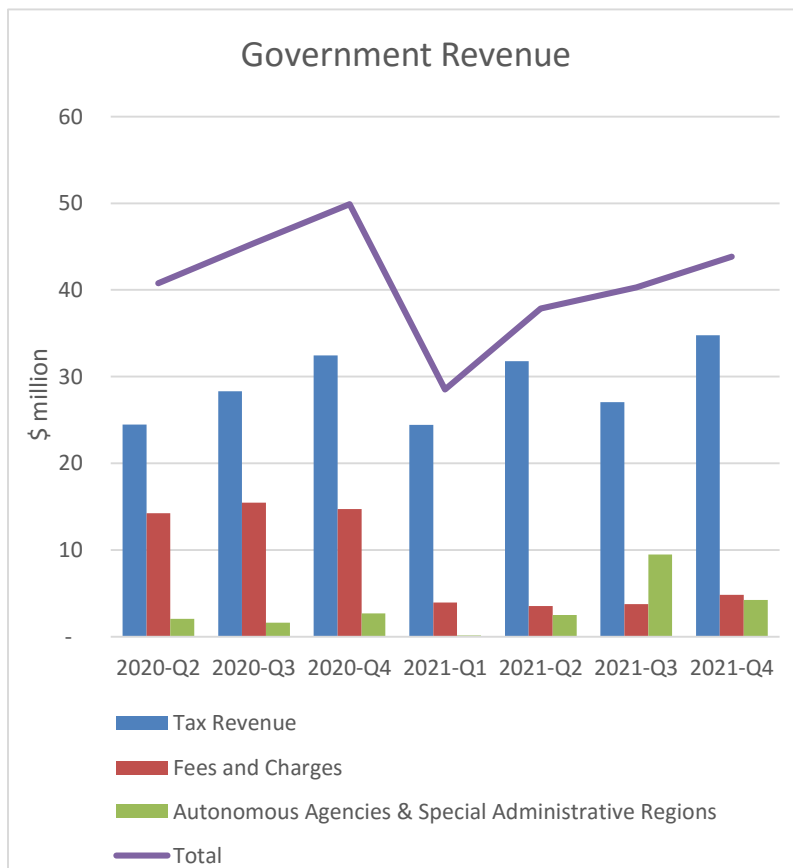
Government Expending



Source: DNPE, Ministry of Finance, January 2022

- The total Government Expenditure was increase to 4% in Q4 2021 compare to Q4 2020 and 23% when you compare to Q3 2021.
- The spending for salary and wages was low increase compare to others appropriation category about 11% in Q4 2021 compare to Q4 2020.
- Spending on Capital Development increased threefold compared to Q3 but this was still around half the level of investment seen in Q4 2021 compared Q4 2020.
- Spending on transfer are second item were increase in Q4 2021 compare to Q4 2020.

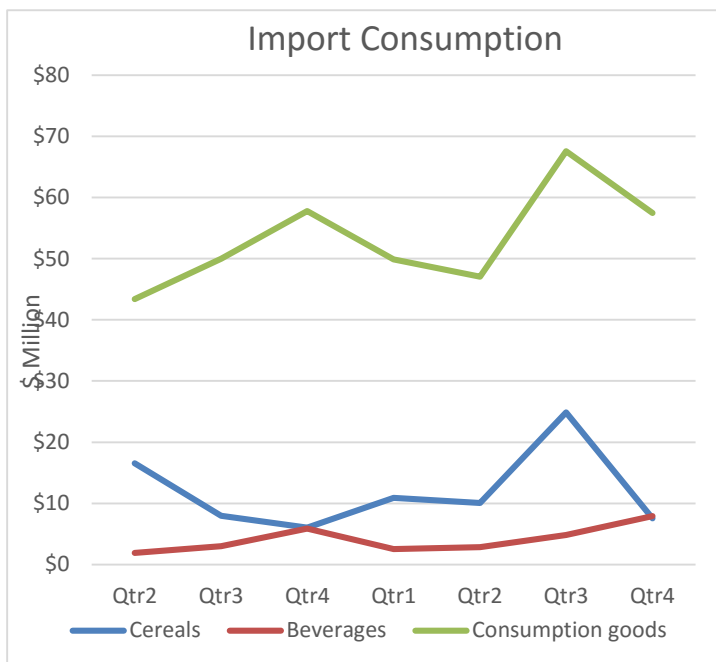
Government Revenue



Source: DNPE, Ministry of Finance, January 2022

- The total domestic revenue decreased 12% in Q4 2021 compare to Q4 2020. The decreased of the revenue mainly contribute by Fees and Charge. However, it was increase by 9% in Q4 2021 compare to Q3 2021.
- Fees and charges in in Q4 2021 a large decreased about 67% compare to Q4 2020, this is because EDLT and Bee TL became public enterprises at the start of 2021 and now their revenues do not count towards domestic revenue.
- Autonomous Agencies and Special Administrative Region in Q4 2021 increase to 57% compare to Q4 2020.

Imports: Consumption



Source: DG Estatsitics, Ministry of Finance, January 2022

- Consumption good imports were unchanged between Q4 2021 and Q3 2020, but decreased 15% compare to Q3 2021.
- Cereal imports increase by 25% in Q4 2021 compared to Q4 2020. However it show decrease by 70% between Q4 2021 compare to Q3 in 2021. This could be due to government policy to support domestic production.
- Beverages increase 35% in Q4 2021 compare to Q4 2020. It also significantly increase by 64% in 2021 compare to Q3 in same year.

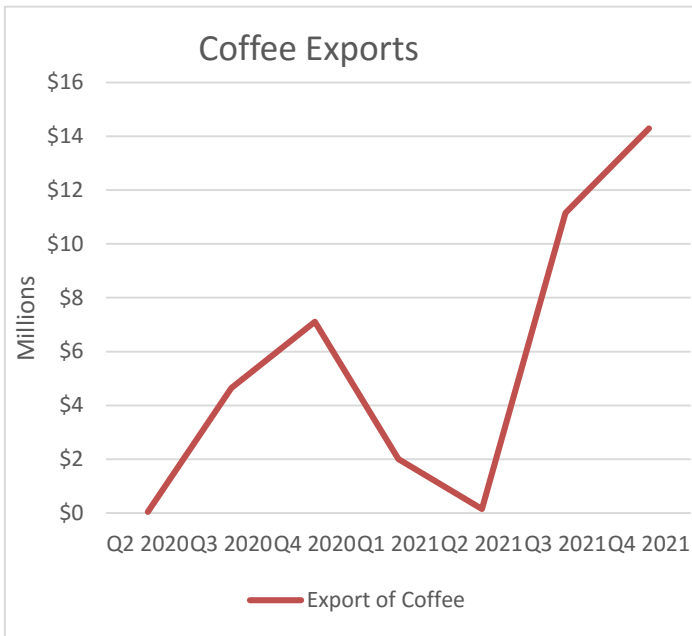
Imports: Construction



Source: General Directorate of Statistics, Ministry of Finance, January 2022

- Total imports for Q4 2021 increased by 26% compare to the Q4 2020. Also slight increase of 3% compare to second quarter in same year
- Imports relating to Investment and Construction increased YoY, specifically:
 - Merchandise imports increased 25%
 - Capital Good imports increased by 26%
 - Machinery imports significantly increased 44%
 - Cement imports increased 24%

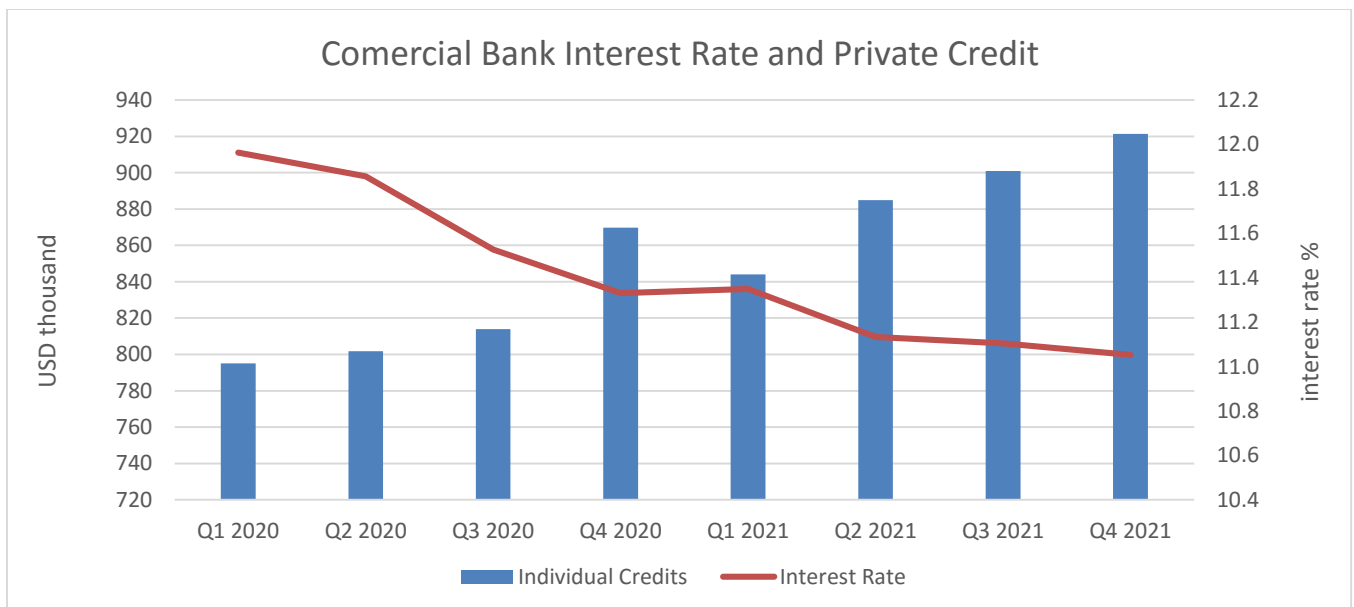
Exports



- Coffee exports more than doubled in Q4 2021 compared to Q4 2020. It also show the positive growth (nearly one third) in Q4 2021 compared to Q3 2021. Coffee exports are recovering following the removal of Covid-19 lockdowns. Coffee harvesting is later in the year so tends to have higher exports later in the year.

Source: General Directorate of Statistics, Ministry of Finance,
January 2022

Financial Sector



Source; Central Bank of Timor-Leste, February 2022

- Commercial banks credit increased by 6% in Q4 2021 compare to Q4 2020. It also increase 2% in Q4 2021 compare to Q3 2021.
- The average interest rate of commercial bank saw a small decrease of around 0.2% in Q4 2021 compared to same period in 2020. There was no change between Q4 and Q3 2021.