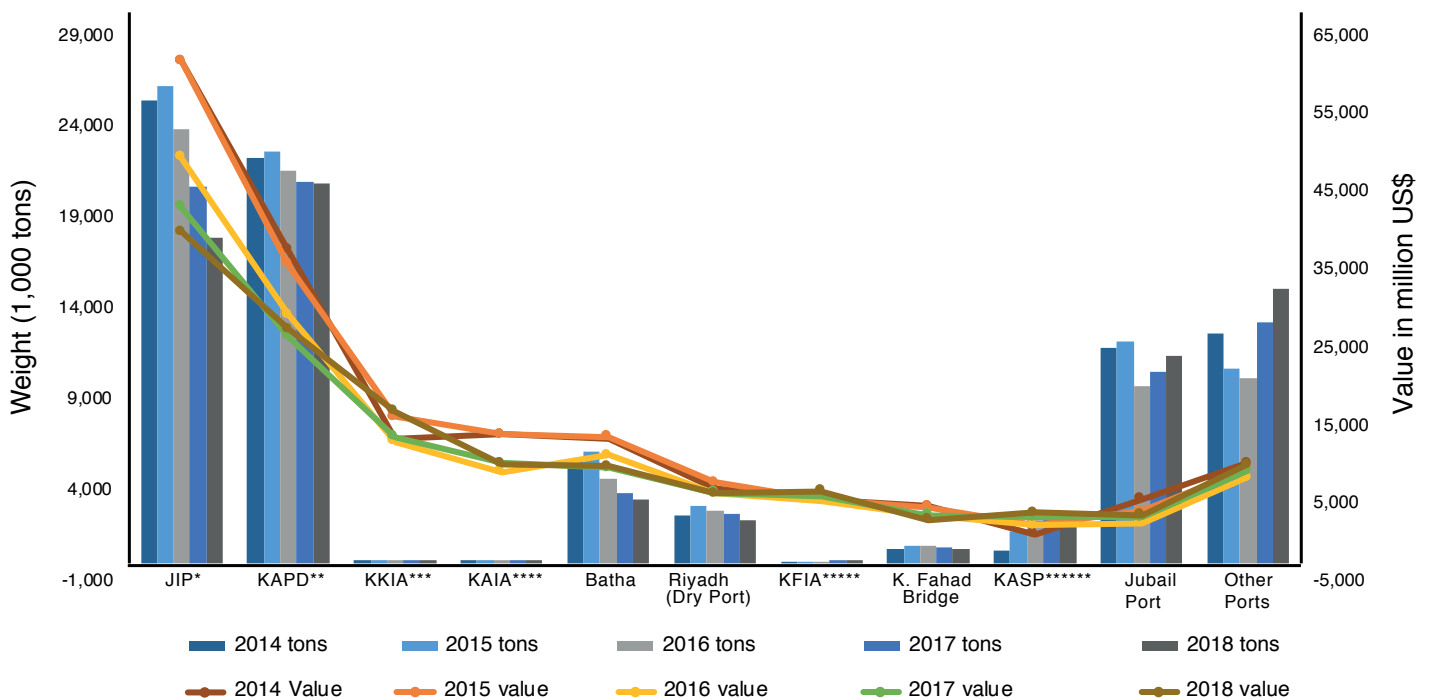


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Saudi Arabia Imports by Major Customs Ports (2014 – 2018)

Figure 1. KSA imports (in value and tonnage) by major customs ports.



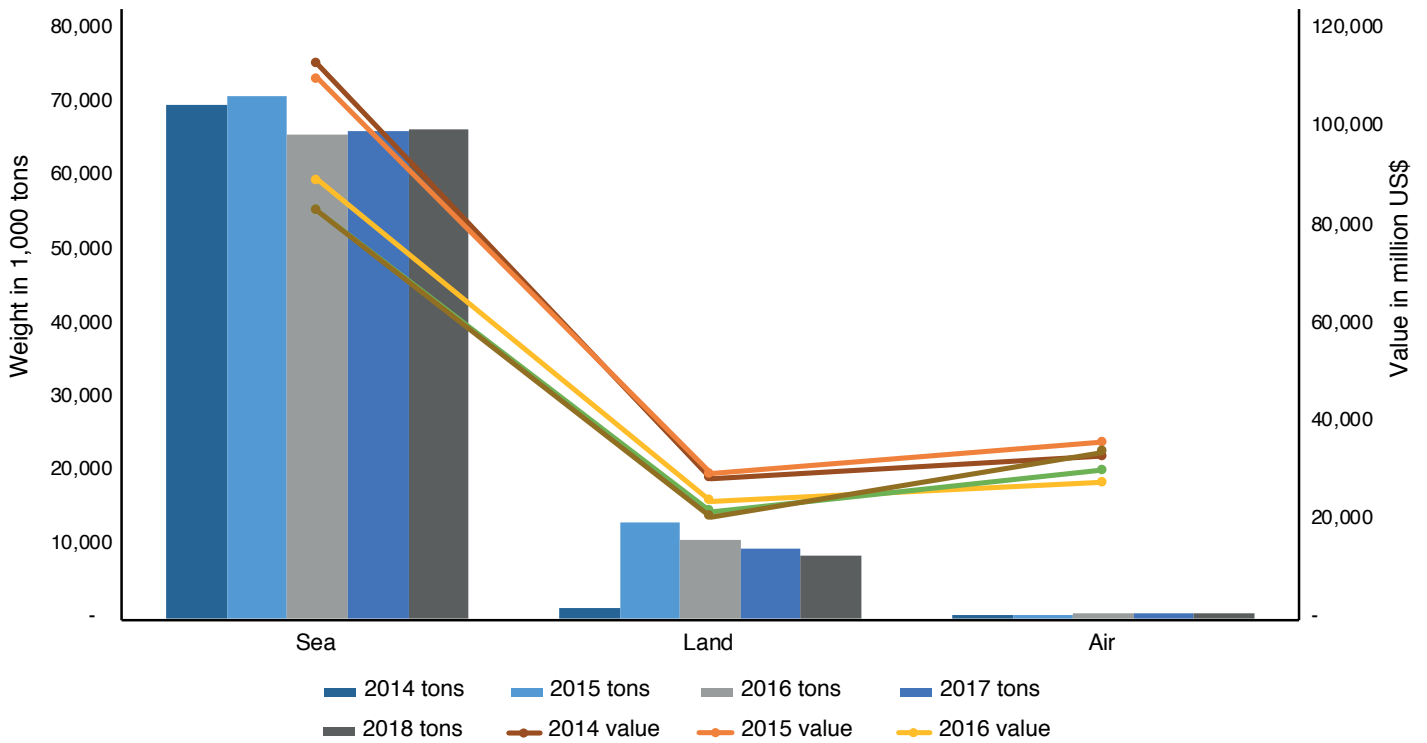
*Jeddah Islamic Port, **King Abdulaziz Port in Dammam, ***King Khalid Int'l Airport, ****King Abdulaziz Int'l Airport, *****King Fahad Int'l Airport, *****King Abdullah Seaport

Source: General Authority for Statistics (GaStat).

- Saudi Arabia's top three import destinations are the Jeddah Islamic Port, the King Abdulaziz Port in Dammam and the King Khalid International Airport with 29%, 20% and 12% of the total value of imports in 2018, respectively. The total value of imports in these destinations is US\$84 billion.
- The amount of goods imported into Saudi Arabia fell from 82.5 billion tons in 2014 to 75.2 billion tons in 2018.
- An estimated 50% of imports into Saudi Arabia come through the Jeddah Islamic Port and the King Abdulaziz Port in Dammam.
- 88% of imports, in tons, are made by sea; however, high-value-added goods tend to move by air. Saudi Arabia's imports by air accounted for 24% of the total value while making up less than 1% of the tons transported in 2018.

- Currently, the majority of land imports come via road freight transport, which suggests that Saudi Arabia has an opportunity to utilize the upcoming 628 km GCC Rail Network in order to increase the flow of goods in the country. Additionally, the potential 'Landbridge' connection between the east and west ports of the country could support further ease of flow to the hinterland.

Figure 2. Imports (in value and tonnage) by transport mode.



Source: General Authority for Statistics (GaStat).

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