

SA Trade Statistics for January 2016 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January 2016 (Preliminary)	R 71 502 285 054	R 89 373 532 571	R -17 871 247 517
December 2015 (Revised)	R 88 076 379 000	R 80 517 700 998	R 7 558 678 002
R Increase/Decrease	R -16 574 093 946	R 8 855 831 573	
% Growth	-18.8%	11.0%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to January 2016 (Preliminary)	R 71 502 285 054	R 89 373 532 571	R -17 871 247 517
January to January 2015 (Revised)	R 67 819 974 700	R 91 246 149 027	R -23 426 174 327
R Increase/Decrease	R 3 682 310 354	R -1 872 616 456	
% Growth	5.4%	-2.1%	

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 4:	Prepared Foodstuffs decreased by	R 1 077 million	(-26%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products decreased by	R 1 488 million	(-25%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones decreased by	R 6 563 million	(-37%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics decreased by	R 970 million	(-12%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 3 195 million	(-34%)

IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 2 271 million	(-17%)
Section 15:	Base Metals increased by	R 1 274 million	(31%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics increased by	R 3 403 million	(16%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 1 070 million	(-11%)
Section 23:	Equipment Components increased by	R 3 973 million	(129%)

International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January 2016 (Preliminary)	R 61 309 638 411	R 86 797 969 523	R -25 488 331 112
December 2015 (Revised)	R 77 625 787 689	R 78 311 097 855	R -685 310 166
R Increase/Decrease	R -16 316 149 278	R 8 486 871 668	
% Growth	-21.0%	10.8%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to January 2016 (Preliminary)	R 61 309 638 411	R 86 797 969 523	R -25 488 331 112
January to January 2015 (Revised)	R 58 504 190 215	R 88 995 231 754	R -30 491 041 539
R Increase/Decrease	R 2 805 448 196	R -2 197 262 231	
% Growth	4.8%	-2.5%	

BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January 2016 (Preliminary)	R 10 192 646 643	R 2 575 563 048	R 7 617 083 595
December 2015 (Revised)	R 10 450 591 311	R 2 206 603 143	R 8 243 988 168
R Increase/Decrease	R -257 944 668	R 368 959 905	
% Growth	-2.5%	16.7%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to January 2016 (Preliminary)	R 10 192 646 643	R 2 575 563 048	R 7 617 083 595
January to January 2015 (Revised)	R 9 315 784 485	R 2 250 917 273	R 7 064 867 212
R Increase/Decrease	R 876 862 158	R 324 645 775	
% Growth	9.4%	14.4%	

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	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	21 410.9	23 536.4	-9.0%	-16.0	9 563.3	9 738.5	-1.8%	-4.1
AMERICA	5 675.8	8 527.4	-33.4%	7.3	9 262.6	10 421.4	-11.1%	-2.1
ASIA	22 338.8	26 888.8	-16.9%	-287.7	40 086.6	33 587.2	19.4%	-5.2
EUROPE	16 905.9	20 059.2	-15.7%	-397.0	29 473.6	25 721.0	14.6%	-6.7
OCEANIA	654.2	1 026.8	-36.3%	-0.7	939.1	977.6	-3.9%	-13.6
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	4 237.1	7 659.7	-44.7%	-	48.3	72.1	-33.0%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	279.7	378.1	-26.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	71 502.3	88 076.4	-18.8%	-694.1	89 373.5	80 517.7	11.0%	-31.8

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		January 2016	December 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	January 2016	December 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 140.1	1 423.0	-19.9%	-0.3	1 127.3	1 148.2	-1.8%	-2.1
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 810.2	4 423.2	-13.9%	11.3	2 374.9	2 106.5	12.7%	-0.0
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	286.7	308.2	-7.0%	-0.1	609.8	775.2	-21.3%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 141.8	4 218.6	-25.5%	5.0	2 505.3	2 829.8	-11.5%	-0.7
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	16 691.8	16 825.1	-0.8%	-547.3	10 896.5	13 167.8	-17.2%	-0.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 494.0	5 981.9	-24.9%	19.3	8 995.5	8 967.6	0.3%	-1.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 515.1	1 783.5	-15.0%	-3.0	3 925.1	3 123.2	25.7%	-1.5
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	315.3	439.2	-28.2%	-	395.3	328.6	20.3%	0.1
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	383.9	530.3	-27.6%	-0.4	558.6	288.4	93.7%	-0.2
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	1 921.0	2 137.4	-10.1%	-0.0	1 459.3	1 305.3	11.8%	-0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	980.8	1 459.0	-32.8%	0.3	3 732.7	2 739.0	36.3%	-0.9
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	134.1	236.4	-43.3%	-0.0	1 400.6	831.8	68.4%	0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	485.1	452.7	7.2%	-0.1	1 265.8	854.1	48.2%	-0.0
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	11 379.1	17 942.1	-36.6%	2.0	732.9	411.6	78.1%	-1.9
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 255.4	9 992.7	2.6%	-11.9	5 449.7	4 175.7	30.5%	9.4
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	6 972.3	7 941.8	-12.2%	-1.4	24 063.5	20 660.5	16.5%	-14.5
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	6 066.8	9 262.0	-34.5%	-167.6	8 762.2	9 832.4	-10.9%	-15.8
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	614.5	832.3	-26.2%	-0.0	2 251.8	2 470.9	-8.9%	0.5
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	516.3	732.4	-29.5%	0.0	1 681.2	1 298.6	29.5%	-1.3
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	40.6	52.1	-22.2%	-	48.6	43.6	11.4%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	357.5	1 102.4	-67.6%	-	92.7	88.1	5.2%	0.0
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	0.2	56.5%	-	7 044.1	3 070.6	129.4%	-1.2
Total		71 502.3	88 076.4	-18.8%	-694.1	89 373.5	80 517.7	11.0%	-31.8

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AMERICA	5 675.8	6 797.2	-16.5%	9 262.6	9 826.4	-5.7%
ASIA	22 338.8	20 054.8	11.4%	40 086.6	41 414.3	-3.2%
EUROPE	16 905.9	16 375.6	3.2%	29 473.6	26 468.9	11.4%
OCEANIA	654.2	864.3	-24.3%	939.1	1 358.7	-30.9%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	4 237.1	3 372.8	25.6%	48.3	150.0	-67.8%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	279.7	640.2	-56.3%	-	-	0.0%
Total	71 502.3	67 820.0	5.4%	89 373.5	91 246.1	-2.1%

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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 810.2	3 278.2	16.2%	2 374.9	1 339.7	77.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	286.7	172.4	66.3%	609.8	337.6	80.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 141.8	2 813.6	11.7%	2 505.3	2 546.8	-1.6%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	16 691.8	17 783.5	-6.1%	10 896.5	18 799.0	-42.0%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 494.0	4 820.0	-6.8%	8 995.5	8 537.2	5.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 515.1	1 227.6	23.4%	3 925.1	4 071.9	-3.6%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	315.3	304.3	3.6%	395.3	366.5	7.9%
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	383.9	329.3	16.6%	558.6	475.8	17.4%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	1 921.0	1 280.7	50.0%	1 459.3	1 294.9	12.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	980.8	797.5	23.0%	3 732.7	3 056.4	22.1%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	134.1	132.4	1.3%	1 400.6	1 069.5	31.0%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	485.1	321.8	50.7%	1 265.8	1 095.9	15.5%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	11 379.1	10 455.9	8.8%	732.9	637.7	14.9%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 255.4	9 338.8	9.8%	5 449.7	5 274.8	3.3%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	6 972.3	6 126.0	13.8%	24 063.5	21 727.5	10.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	6 066.8	6 587.3	-7.9%	8 762.2	10 001.9	-12.4%
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XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	516.3	455.5	13.3%	1 681.2	1 348.6	24.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	40.6	31.5	28.7%	48.6	17.5	177.7%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	357.5	90.5	294.9%	92.7	78.0	18.8%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	3.9	-93.8%	7 044.1	6 128.6	14.9%
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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 237.6	3 761.3	-13.9%	11.3	2 327.0	2 069.2	12.5%	-0.0
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	204.5	201.3	1.6%	-0.1	608.5	774.6	-21.4%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 796.4	2 851.9	-37.0%	5.2	2 040.1	2 397.9	-14.9%	-0.4
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	14 809.7	14 987.4	-1.2%	-531.3	10 855.3	13 122.0	-17.3%	-0.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	3 697.6	4 996.9	-26.0%	19.3	8 449.2	8 261.7	2.3%	-1.0
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X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	1 677.7	1 867.0	-10.1%	-0.0	1 436.9	1 262.1	13.8%	-0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	623.9	992.1	-37.1%	0.3	3 402.6	2 420.9	40.6%	-0.9
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	32.9	77.0	-57.3%	-	1 383.3	815.4	69.6%	0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	365.7	330.4	10.7%	-0.1	1 254.5	846.0	48.3%	-0.0
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	10 546.8	17 924.1	-41.2%	2.0	361.1	374.3	-3.5%	-1.9
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9 697.1	9 403.6	3.1%	-10.6	5 397.7	4 103.1	31.6%	9.4
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XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	332.9	464.2	-28.3%	-0.0	1 656.1	1 286.1	28.8%	-1.3
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	38.0	51.7	-26.6%	-	48.6	43.6	11.5%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	352.9	1 088.6	-67.6%	-	88.7	84.0	5.5%	0.0
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IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 796.4	1 736.6	3.4%	2 040.1	2 182.1	-6.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	14 809.7	16 211.8	-8.6%	10 855.3	18 747.9	-42.1%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	3 697.6	3 949.6	-6.4%	8 449.2	8 042.6	5.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 146.5	855.8	34.0%	3 896.5	4 042.4	-3.6%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	269.9	259.4	4.1%	379.0	335.2	13.1%
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	273.3	231.9	17.8%	471.4	412.4	14.3%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	1 677.7	1 025.1	63.7%	1 436.9	1 271.8	13.0%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	623.9	460.0	35.6%	3 402.6	2 791.9	21.9%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	32.9	35.1	-6.4%	1 383.3	1 061.6	30.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	365.7	209.6	74.5%	1 254.5	1 087.9	15.3%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	10 546.8	10 078.1	4.7%	361.1	347.5	3.9%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9 697.1	8 759.7	10.7%	5 397.7	5 160.1	4.6%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	5 662.5	4 871.5	16.2%	23 800.3	21 536.2	10.5%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	5 149.5	5 388.9	-4.4%	8 682.4	9 974.1	-13.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	510.7	413.8	23.4%	2 246.1	1 968.3	14.1%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	332.9	262.4	26.9%	1 656.1	1 338.2	23.8%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	38.0	31.2	21.7%	48.6	17.4	178.6%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	352.9	85.7	311.7%	88.7	72.7	22.1%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	3.9	-93.8%	7 044.1	6 128.6	14.9%
Total		61 309.6	58 504.2	4.8%	86 798.0	88 995.2	-2.5%

Preliminary BLNS Monthly Statement

METHODOLOGY COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES. ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS A RESULT OF AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION IN RESPECT OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS	Monthly export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of goods. The figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month to and from South Africa. Cursory checks of the figures are made prior to the publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January 2016 / December 2015 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	January 2016	December 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	January 2016	December 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	10 192.6	10 450.6	-2.5%	-18.0	2 575.6	2 206.6	16.7%	-1.2
Total	10 192.6	10 450.6	-2.5%	-18.0	2 575.6	2 206.6	16.7%	-1.2

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		January 2016	December 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	January 2016	December 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	256.7	355.5	-27.8%	-0.0	158.7	197.4	-19.6%	-0.6
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	572.5	661.9	-13.5%	-	47.9	37.3	28.4%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	82.2	106.9	-23.1%	-	1.3	0.6	109.4%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 345.3	1 366.7	-1.6%	-0.2	465.2	431.8	7.7%	-0.3
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 882.1	1 837.6	2.4%	-16.1	41.2	45.8	-10.1%	-0.0
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	796.4	985.0	-19.1%	-0.0	546.4	705.9	-22.6%	-0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	368.6	453.7	-18.7%	-0.1	28.6	20.5	39.2%	-0.0
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	45.3	61.8	-26.7%	-	16.3	14.1	15.1%	-
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	110.6	123.6	-10.5%	-0.4	87.3	74.1	17.7%	-0.2
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	243.3	270.5	-10.0%	-0.0	22.4	43.2	-48.1%	-0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	356.9	467.0	-23.6%	-	330.1	318.1	3.8%	-
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	101.2	159.4	-36.5%	-0.0	17.3	16.4	5.3%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	119.4	122.3	-2.4%	0.0	11.3	8.2	38.8%	-0.0
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	832.3	17.9	4542.2%	-	371.7	37.3	896.7%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	558.3	589.1	-5.2%	-1.2	51.9	72.6	-28.5%	-
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	1 309.8	1 369.0	-4.3%	-0.1	263.2	104.9	150.8%	-0.0
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	917.3	1 062.0	-13.6%	-0.0	79.9	57.1	39.8%	-0.0
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	103.7	158.4	-34.5%	-0.0	5.7	4.5	27.0%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	183.4	268.2	-31.6%	0.0	25.2	12.5	101.2%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	2.6	0.4	497.7%	-	0.0	0.1	-69.3%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4.6	13.8	-66.5%	-	4.0	4.0	-1.7%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.0	-100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		10 192.6	10 450.6	-2.5%	-18.0	2 575.6	2 206.6	16.7%	-1.2

Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement

<p>METHODOLOGY CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR</p>	<p>Export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of goods. The figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month from and to South Africa. Cursory checks of the figures are made prior to publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.</p>
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	January to January 2016 / January to January 2015					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to January 2016	January to January 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to January 2016	January to January 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	10 192.6	9 315.8	9.4%	2 575.6	2 250.9	14.4%
Total	10 192.6	9 315.8	9.4%	2 575.6	2 250.9	14.4%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(cha pter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to January 2016	January to January 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to January 2016	January to January 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	256.7	243.6	5.4%	158.7	228.9	-30.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	572.5	456.3	25.5%	47.9	38.7	23.7%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	82.2	59.0	39.2%	1.3	0.8	60.3%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 345.3	1 077.0	24.9%	465.2	364.8	27.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 882.1	1 571.7	19.7%	41.2	51.1	-19.4%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	796.4	870.4	-8.5%	546.4	494.5	10.5%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	368.6	371.9	-0.9%	28.6	29.5	-3.0%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	45.3	44.9	1.1%	16.3	31.3	-48.0%
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	110.6	97.3	13.7%	87.3	63.4	37.7%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	243.3	255.7	-4.8%	22.4	23.1	-2.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	356.9	337.5	5.7%	330.1	264.5	24.8%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	101.2	97.3	4.0%	17.3	8.0	117.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	119.4	112.2	6.4%	11.3	8.0	41.7%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	832.3	377.8	120.3%	371.7	290.2	28.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	558.3	579.1	-3.6%	51.9	114.6	-54.7%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	1 309.8	1 254.4	4.4%	263.2	191.3	37.5%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	917.3	1 198.4	-23.5%	79.9	27.8	187.3%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	103.7	113.1	-8.3%	5.7	4.7	22.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	183.4	193.1	-5.0%	25.2	10.3	143.2%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	2.6	0.3	725.9%	0.0	0.1	-70.5%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4.6	4.8	-4.0%	4.0	5.4	-26.1%
Total		10 192.6	9 315.8	9.4%	2 575.6	2 250.9	14.4%