



SARS Preliminary Trade Statistics

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
November 2011 (prelim)	R 68,456,825,872	R 76,501,550,756	R -8,044,724,884
October 2011	R 61,189,970,418	R 70,769,472,385	R -9,579,501,967
R Increase/Decrease	R 7,266,855,454	R 5,732,078,371	
% Growth	11.9%	8.1%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

January to November 2011 (Prelim)	R 643,106,199,061	R 664,370,099,971	R -21,263,900,910
January to November 2010	R 536,303,107,359	R 541,643,587,939	R -5,340,480,580
R Increase/Decrease	R 106,803,091,702	R 122,726,512,032	
% Growth	19.9%	22.7%	

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by R 584 million (-31%).
Section 5:	Mineral products increased by R 915 million (6%).
Section 6:	Products of the chemicals or allied industries increased by R1 456 million (59%).
Section 14:	Precious and semi-precious stones and metals increased by R3 706 million (26%).
Section 15:	Base metals and articles thereof increased by R1 356 million (17%).
Section 17:	Vehicles, aircraft and vessels decreased by R 438 million (-7%).

IMPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products increased by R 704 million (52%).
Section 5:	Mineral products increased by R3 077 million (21%).
Section 16:	Machinery and electrical appliances increased by R2 047 million (12%).
Section 17:	Vehicles, aircraft and vessels increased by R 402 million (5%).
Section 23:	Original equipment components decreased by R 390 million (-9%).

PRELIMINARY SA 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 ZONES AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD: World zone	Jan - Nov 2011 / Jan - Nov 2010					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	Jan - Nov 2011	Jan - Nov 2010	Percentage increase / decrease	Jan - Nov 2011	Jan - Nov 2010	Percentage increase / decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	98,851.7	82,669.2	19.6%	49,542.6	41,793.9	18.5%
Europe	165,525.1	146,991.5	12.6%	217,033.8	183,813.3	18.1%
America	73,581.1	61,872.4	18.9%	83,480.3	64,056.3	30.3%
Asia	227,944.9	179,175.6	27.2%	300,426.0	239,700.6	25.3%
Oceania	6,444.1	6,962.7	-7.4%	12,314.3	10,104.1	21.9%
Other Unclassified Goods	70,611.4	58,178.6	21.4%	1,573.1	2,175.4	-27.7%
Ships/Aircraft Stores	147.9	453.0	-67.4%			
Total	643,106.2	536,303.1	19.9%	664,370.1	541,643.6	22.7%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		Jan - Nov 2011	Jan - Nov 2010	Percentage increase / decrease	Jan - Nov 2011	Jan - Nov 2010	Percentage increase / decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products	4,597.6	4,785.6	-3.9%	6,228.2	4,559.1	36.6%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products	23,780.4	19,799.8	20.1%	12,584.2	8,563.1	47.0%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats & oils & their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal & vegetable waxes	1,573.0	1,148.1	37.0%	7,171.5	5,339.1	34.3%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits & vinegar; tobacco & manufactured tobacco substitutes	17,538.4	18,311.6	-4.2%	15,572.5	13,723.2	13.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products	160,555.8	113,092.2	42.0%	144,952.6	107,411.2	35.0%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemical or allied industries	34,015.1	28,389.0	19.8%	60,904.7	52,348.3	16.3%
VII (39-40)	Plastics & articles thereof; rubber & articles thereof	10,887.2	8,633.8	26.1%	26,146.0	22,233.2	17.6%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides & skins, leather, fur skins & articles thereof; saddlery & harness; travel goods, h&bags & similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm gut)	1,981.0	1,360.5	45.6%	2,373.4	2,124.8	11.7%
IX (44-46)	Wood & articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork & articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basketware & wickerwork	2,449.8	2,586.9	-5.3%	2,420.9	2,102.1	15.2%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste & scrap of paper or paperboard; paper & paperboard of paper or paperboard; paper & paperboard & articles thereof	11,334.2	9,794.4	15.7%	9,414.6	8,836.6	6.5%
XI (50-63)	Textiles & textile articles	4,889.3	4,092.7	19.5%	20,024.7	17,138.6	16.8%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops & parts thereof; prepared feathers & articles made therewith; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	340.5	315.9	7.8%	7,040.5	5,559.3	26.6%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass & glassware	2,110.2	1,905.8	10.7%	7,430.4	6,874.6	8.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal & articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin	164,517.3	138,217.6	19.0%	6,952.9	5,576.1	24.7%
XV (72-83)	Base metals & articles of base metal	87,620.2	84,770.4	3.4%	31,909.4	25,859.8	23.4%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery & mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders & reproducers; television image & sound recorders & reproducers, & parts & accessories of such articles	52,348.0	43,603.6	20.1%	162,369.9	137,716.5	17.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels & associated transport equipment	53,241.6	45,266.3	17.6%	71,205.1	54,568.6	30.5%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments & apparatus; clocks & watches; musical instruments; parts & accessories thereof	3,278.4	2,611.0	25.6%	17,367.4	14,806.8	17.3%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4,171.2	4,544.8	-8.2%	10,048.1	8,904.6	12.8%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collector's pieces & antiques	243.6	272.4	-10.6%	189.4	116.7	62.3%
XXII	Other unclassified goods	1,608.7	2,782.8	-42.2%	607.2	1,298.2	-53.2%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions; original equipment components/parts for motor vehicles	24.8	17.9	38.6%	41,456.6	35,982.9	15.2%
Total		643,106.2	536,303.1	19.9%	664,370.1	541,643.6	22.7%

PRELIMINARY SA MONTHLY STATEMENT

<p>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</p>	<p>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 publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.</p>
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PERIOD: World zone	November 2011 / October 2011							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	November 2011	October 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	October adjustment	November 2011	October 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	October adjustment
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	11,499.2	10,174.1	13.0%	-4.2	6,666.0	4,046.2	64.7%	-0.0
Europe	15,366.1	14,612.0	5.2%	-	24,163.4	22,234.0	8.7%	-
America	7,983.9	7,477.8	6.8%	-	8,399.0	8,235.6	2.0%	-
Asia	24,066.0	21,643.2	11.2%	-0.2	35,461.0	35,090.3	1.1%	-
Oceania	657.3	668.1	-1.6%	-	1,683.4	955.3	76.2%	-
Other Unclassified Goods	8,868.6	6,600.4	34.4%	-	128.7	208.1	-38.1%	-
Ships/Aircraft Stores	15.7	14.4	8.9%	-	-	-	-	-
Total	68,456.8	61,190.0	11.9%	-4.5	76,501.6	70,769.5	8.1%	-0.0

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		November 2011	October 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	October adjustment	November 2011	October 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	October adjustment
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products	433.3	445.2	-2.7%	-	786.0	694.4	13.2%	-
II (6-14)	Vegetable products	1,305.9	1,890.0	-30.9%	-	2,058.1	1,354.3	52.0%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats & oils & their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal & vegetable waxes	197.1	168.5	17.0%	-	894.6	533.8	67.6%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits & vinegar; tobacco & manufactured tobacco substitutes	1,801.5	1,939.3	-7.1%	0.0	1,726.7	1,873.5	-7.8%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products	17,281.0	16,365.7	5.6%	-	17,424.9	14,348.1	21.4%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemical or allied industries	3,938.6	2,482.4	58.7%	-	6,298.6	6,442.1	-2.2%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics & articles thereof; rubber & articles thereof	1,260.9	1,020.2	23.6%	-	2,907.2	2,719.1	6.9%	-
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides & skins, leather, fur skins & articles thereof; saddlery & harness; travel goods, h&bags & similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm gut)	210.4	193.4	8.8%	-	288.3	289.5	-0.4%	-
IX (44-46)	Wood & articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork & articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basketware & wickerwork	296.4	222.6	33.1%	-	298.3	269.9	10.5%	-
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste & scrap of paper or paperboard; paper & paperboard of paper or paperboard; paper & paperboard & articles thereof	1,195.3	1,034.7	15.5%	-	1,031.4	966.0	6.8%	-
XI (50-63)	Textiles & textile articles	658.4	599.9	9.8%	-	2,034.8	2,330.0	-12.7%	-
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops & parts thereof; prepared feathers & articles made therewith; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	48.8	35.8	36.4%	-	714.6	850.8	-16.0%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass & glassware	212.2	218.8	-3.0%	-	809.2	874.1	-7.4%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal & articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin	18,119.0	14,413.1	25.7%	-	669.6	705.0	-5.0%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals & articles of base metal	9,168.8	7,813.0	17.4%	-	3,964.7	3,990.5	-0.6%	-0.0
XVI (84-85)	Machinery & mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders & reproducers; television image & sound recorders & reproducers, & parts & accessories of such articles	5,663.4	5,333.4	6.2%	-	19,211.3	17,164.1	11.9%	-
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels & associated transport equipment	5,700.6	6,138.6	-7.1%	-4.5	8,142.5	7,740.7	5.2%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments & apparatus; clocks & watches; musical instruments; parts & accessories thereof	333.8	296.9	12.4%	-	1,845.1	1,808.2	2.0%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	444.9	445.3	-0.1%	-	1,327.8	1,263.2	5.1%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collector's pieces & antiques	24.2	17.0	42.4%	-	9.7	11.7	-16.5%	-
XXII	Other unclassified goods	152.4	115.4	32.0%	-	47.6	140.7	-66.1%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions; original equipment components/parts for motor vehicles	9.9	0.8	1202.9%	-	4,010.3	4,399.9	-8.9%	-
Total		68,456.8	61,190.0	11.9%	-4.5	76,501.6	70,769.5	8.1%	-0.0