SA Trade Statistics for March 2021 (Including BELN)

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| March 2021 (Preliminary) | R 168285810049 | R 115517168380 | R 52768641669 |
| February 2021 (Revised) | R 130516399203 | R 99291972970 | R 31224426233 |


| R Increase/Decrease | R 37769410846 | R 16225195410 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $28.9 \%$ | $16.3 \%$ |

## CUMULATIVE FIGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| January to March 2021 (Preliminary) | R 409126802274 | R 312494046224 | R 96632756050 |
| January to March 2020 (Revised) | R 324908325184 | R 293241243233 | R 31667081951 |


| R Increase/Decrease | R 84218477090 | R 19252802991 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $\%$ Growth | $25.9 \%$ | $6.6 \%$ |

## COMMENTS

## Month on month increase/decrease

Section 2:
Section 5:
Section 6:
Section 14:
Section 17:
Vegetable products increased by
R 2614 million
(43\%)
Mineral products increased by
Chemical products increased by
R 7282 million

Precious metals \& stones increased by
R 2493 million (31\%)

Vehicles \& transport equipments increased by
R 13058 million
R 4580 million (32\%)

## IMPORTS

Section 5:
Section 6:
Section 16:
Section 17:
Section 23:

Mineral products decreased by $\quad$ R 2410 million (-14\%)
Chemical products increased by
Machinery \& electronics increased by
Vehicles \& transport equipments increased by
Original equipment components increased by

R 4806 million (46\%)
R 4131 million (20\%)
R 2065 million (30\%)
R 1538 million (15\%)

International Trade (Excluding BELN)

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| March 2021 (Preliminary) | R 154192375643 | R 111326199742 | R 42866175901 |
| February 2021 (Revised) | R 119199898658 | R 95736193488 | R 23463705170 |


| R Increase/Decrease | R 34992476985 | R 15590006254 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $29.4 \%$ | $16.3 \%$ |

## CUMULATIVE FIGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| January to March 2021 (Preliminary) | R 373609425960 | R 301158388268 | R 72451037692 |
| January to March 2020 (Revised) | R 291136568114 | R 282141390168 | R 8995177946 |


| R Increase/Decrease | R 82472857846 | R 19016998100 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $\%$ Growth | $28.3 \%$ | $6.7 \%$ |

## BELN

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| March 2021 (Preliminary) | R 14093434406 | R4 190968638 | R 9902465768 |
| February 2021 (Revised) | R 11316500545 | R3555779482 | R 7760721063 |
| R Increase/Decrease | R 2776933861 | R 635189156 |  |
| \% Growth | $24.5 \%$ | $17.9 \%$ |  |

## CUMULATIVE FIGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| January to March 2021 (Preliminary) | R 35517376314 | R 11335657956 | R 24181718358 |
| January to March 2020 (Revised) | R 33771757070 | R 11099853065 | R 22671904005 |


| R Increase/Decrease | R 1745619244 | R 235804891 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $5.2 \%$ | $2.1 \%$ |

## Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement



WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | February 2021/ March 2021 Revision |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| World Zone | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
|  | February 2021 | March 2021 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision | February 2021 | March 2021 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| AFRICA | 11316.5 | 14093.4 | 24.5\% | 3.2 | 3555.8 | 4191.0 | 17.9\% | -2.0 |
| Total | 11316.5 | 14093.4 | 24.5\% | 3.2 | 3555.8 | 4191.0 | 17.9\% | -2.0 |

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | February 2021 | March 2021 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision | February 2021 | March 2021 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| 1(1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 272.1 | 340.7 | 25.2\% |  | 280.2 | 387.1 | 38.2\% |  |
| 11 (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 711.0 | 876.1 | 23.2\% |  | 35.8 | 68.3 | 90.8\% |  |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 141.9 | 205.1 | 44.6\% | -0.7 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 226.0\% |  |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 1295.2 | 1548.2 | 19.5\% | -0.1 | 537.7 | 575.7 | 7.1\% |  |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 1521.9 | 1868.3 | 22.8\% | 8.1 | 87.8 | 95.1 | 8.3\% | 0.0 |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 1128.5 | 1315.1 | 16.5\% | -0.1 | 657.9 | 816.6 | 24.1\% |  |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 520.6 | 603.2 | 15.9\% | -0.6 | 62.6 | 71.0 | 13.4\% |  |
| 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 silkwormgut). | 45.9 | 56.9 | 24.0\% |  | 10.2 | 10.1 | -0.5\% |  |
| 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. | 170.8 | 200.1 | 17.2\% | -2.9 | 146.5 | 189.4 | 29.3\% | 0.0 |
| 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. | 242.3 | 270.7 | 11.7\% | -0.0 | 18.4 | 21.3 | 15.9\% | 0.0 |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 659.6 | 726.4 | 10.1\% | -0.0 | 573.6 | 650.4 | 13.4\% | -0.8 |
| 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. | 165.9 | 196.0 | 18.2\% | -0.0 | 7.4 | 13.3 | 79.7\% |  |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 170.3 | 192.8 | 13.2\% | 0.0 | 7.6 | 9.4 | 25.0\% |  |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 7.6 | 770.2 | 10039.3\% |  | 657.3 | 694.4 | 5.6\% |  |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 903.3 | 1029.6 | 14.0\% | 0.2 | 61.6 | 90.6 | 47.2\% | 0.2 |
| 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. | 1787.7 | 2070.3 | 15.8\% | 0.1 | 362.7 | 392.6 | 8.2\% | -0.5 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 1068.8 | 1287.0 | 20.4\% | -0.8 | 26.8 | 83.4 | 211.5\% |  |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 205.7 | 195.6 | -4.9\% | 0.0 | 10.1 | 8.0 | -20.3\% | -0.9 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 292.8 | 335.1 | 14.5\% | 0.0 | 9.4 | 10.1 | 7.6\% | -0.0 |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 0.4 | 0.9 | 112.7\% | -0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -71.1\% |  |
| XXII (99) | Other unclassified goods. | 4.4 | 5.0 | 15.3\% |  | 1.9 | 2.4 | 27.8\% |  |
| Total |  | 11316.5 | 14093.4 | 24.5\% | 3.2 | 3555.8 | 4191.0 | 17.9\% | -2.0 |


| METHODOLOGY |
| :--- | :--- |
| CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE |
| CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR |$\quad$| Export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and |
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| 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. |

WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | January to March 2020 / January to March 2021 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| World Zone | January to <br> March 2020 | January to <br> March 2021 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to <br> March 2020 | January to <br> March 2021 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| AFRICA | 33771.8 | 35517.4 | 5.2\% | 11099.9 | 11335.7 | 2.1\% |
| Total | 33771.8 | 35517.4 | 5.2\% | 11099.9 | 11335.7 | 2.1\% |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | January to <br> March 2020 | January to <br> March 2021 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to <br> March 2020 | January to <br> March 2021 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 901.9 | 889.0 | -1.4\% | 1065.1 | 919.1 | -13.7\% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 2189.5 | 2264.6 | 3.4\% | 142.9 | 149.4 | 4.5\% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 383.4 | 476.2 | 24.2\% | 1.3 | 3.5 | 180.9\% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 4057.7 | 4079.3 | 0.5\% | 1673.6 | 1522.2 | -9.0\% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 6205.1 | 4905.8 | -20.9\% | 219.5 | 237.6 | 8.3\% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 3324.6 | 3476.4 | 4.6\% | 1983.0 | 2051.1 | 3.4\% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 1435.0 | 1543.4 | 7.5\% | 156.8 | 176.7 | 12.6\% |
| 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 silkwormgut). | 114.4 | 148.1 | 29.5\% | 19.9 | 26.1 | 31.3\% |
| 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. | 437.4 | 503.8 | 15.2\% | 388.6 | 488.5 | 25.7\% |
| 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. | 789.6 | 720.8 | -8.7\% | 55.0 | 60.3 | 9.6\% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1578.2 | 1843.3 | 16.8\% | 1686.9 | 1719.3 | 1.9\% |
| 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. | 425.3 | 469.8 | 10.5\% | 28.8 | 24.9 | -13.7\% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 443.8 | 486.5 | 9.6\% | 23.0 | 25.2 | 9.5\% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 520.4 | 1250.1 | 140.2\% | 1927.1 | 2199.4 | 14.1\% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 2080.1 | 2566.4 | 23.4\% | 370.1 | 202.2 | -45.4\% |
| 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. | 4646.1 | 5211.7 | 12.2\% | 1126.4 | 1099.7 | -2.4\% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 2968.9 | 3268.9 | 10.1\% | 170.1 | 369.8 | 117.5\% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 440.8 | 549.7 | 24.7\% | 23.1 | 26.8 | 15.8\% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 809.2 | 836.1 | 3.3\% | 32.6 | 25.9 | -20.6\% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 5.7 | 1.5 | -72.6\% | 0.1 | 0.1 | -34.8\% |
| XXII (99) | Other unclassified goods. | 14.7 | 12.7 | -13.3\% | 6.0 | 8.0 | 33.8\% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components. |  | 13.1 | Infinity |  |  | 0.0\% |
| Total |  | 33771.8 | 35517.4 | 5.2\% | 11099.9 | 11335.7 | 2.1\% |

