

## SA Preliminary Trade Statistics for May 2021 (Including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2021 (Preliminary)	R 163 508 903 820	R 108 911 184 664	R 54 597 719 156
April 2021 (Revised)	R 161 134 095 264	R 109 878 376 782	R 51 255 718 482

R Increase/Decrease	R 2 374 808 556	R -967 192 118
% Growth	1.5%	-0.9%

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2021 (Preliminary)	R 733 889 952 976	R 531 295 171 240	R 202 594 781 736
January to May 2020 (Revised)	R 477 343 578 056	R 466 710 558 413	R 10 633 019 643

R Increase/Decrease	R 256 546 374 920	R 64 584 612 827
% Growth	53.7%	13.8%

### COMMENTS

#### Month on month increase/decrease

##### EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products increased by	R 2 302 million (35%)
Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 2 590 million (-7%)
Section 6:	Chemical products increased by	R 808 million (9%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones decreased by	R 2 746 million (-5%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments increased by	R 4 169 million (26%)

##### IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 1 643 million (9%)
Section 6:	Chemical products increased by	R 686 million (6%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones decreased by	R 849 million (-42%)
Section 15:	Base metals increased by	R 869 million (14%)
Section 23:	Original equipment components decreased by	R 746 million (-8%)

## Preliminary International Trade (Excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2021 (Preliminary)	R 149 823 119 662	R 105 644 872 097	R 44 178 247 565
April 2021 (Revised)	R 148 945 576 315	R 104 421 802 938	R 44 523 773 377
R Increase/Decrease	R 877 543 347	R 1 223 069 159	
% Growth	0.6%	1.2%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2021 (Preliminary)	R 672 524 319 121	R 511 233 393 422	R 161 290 925 699
January to May 2020 (Revised)	R 430 747 110 599	R 451 135 648 460	<b>R -20 388 537 861</b>
R Increase/Decrease	R 241 777 208 522	R 60 097 744 962	
% Growth	56.1%	13.3%	

## BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2021 (Preliminary)	R 13 685 784 158	R 3 266 312 567	R 10 419 471 591
April 2021 (Revised)	R 12 188 518 949	R 5 456 573 844	R 6 731 945 105
R Increase/Decrease	R 1 497 265 209	<b>R -2 190 261 277</b>	
% Growth	12.3%	<b>-40.1%</b>	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2021 (Preliminary)	R 61 365 633 855	R 20 061 777 818	R 41 303 856 037
January to May 2020 (Revised)	R 46 596 467 457	R 15 574 909 953	R 31 021 557 504
R Increase/Decrease	R 14 769 166 398	R 4 486 867 865	
% Growth	31.7%	28.8%	

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	April 2021	May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	April 2021	May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	28 952.5	32 904.1	13.6%	-55.7	13 256.2	8 076.2	-39.1%	-0.7
AMERICA	22 206.0	23 557.6	6.1%	-43.8	11 495.4	10 278.7	-10.6%	-109.7
ASIA	49 331.2	52 714.9	6.9%	-385.1	49 821.1	55 802.2	12.0%	4.1
EUROPE	49 132.2	44 461.2	-9.5%	147.4	33 365.1	32 874.5	-1.5%	-245.4
OCEANIA	1 057.7	1 444.6	36.6%	-1.9	1 383.2	1 453.7	5.1%	0.1
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	10 007.1	8 108.8	-19.0%	-	557.3	425.8	-23.6%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	447.5	317.8	-29.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>161 134.1</b>	<b>163 508.9</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>-339.1</b>	<b>109 878.4</b>	<b>108 911.2</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>	<b>-351.6</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		April 2021	May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	April 2021	May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 581.3	1 359.5	-14.0%	-0.4	1 763.1	1 570.0	-10.9%	2.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	6 625.8	8 928.1	34.7%	-0.9	2 219.7	2 206.9	-0.6%	0.0
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	415.7	446.7	7.5%	-1.5	1 222.3	759.7	-37.8%	0.1
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4 552.8	4 878.2	7.1%	-1.3	3 679.8	3 032.5	-17.6%	0.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	39 793.6	37 203.2	-6.5%	-136.8	17 856.9	19 500.2	9.2%	5.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	9 379.1	10 187.5	8.6%	61.6	12 354.3	13 040.8	5.6%	13.8
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 276.8	2 576.4	13.2%	-15.8	5 366.6	4 920.8	-8.3%	-1.0
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).	301.3	277.5	-7.9%	0.2	215.7	257.0	19.2%	-0.0
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.	669.0	746.9	11.6%	0.1	531.1	514.0	-3.2%	-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.	1 740.3	1 654.8	-4.9%	-3.3	3 388.5	3 508.9	3.6%	0.5
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 904.4	1 836.0	-3.6%	-1.2	3 627.4	3 437.7	-5.2%	0.1
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.	268.7	241.0	-10.3%	0.0	886.9	932.6	5.2%	0.0
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	597.8	637.9	6.7%	-0.1	1 420.8	1 249.9	-12.0%	0.7
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	50 214.7	47 468.8	-5.5%	-	2 034.0	1 185.2	-41.7%	-1.7
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	12 718.8	12 834.0	0.9%	-212.1	6 427.4	7 296.7	13.5%	-3.4
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.	10 088.6	10 221.1	1.3%	-14.4	22 734.7	22 211.3	-2.3%	19.0
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	16 291.5	20 460.7	25.6%	-13.1	10 075.2	9 812.4	-2.6%	-384.9
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	657.9	684.2	4.0%	-0.1	2 817.3	2 745.8	-2.5%	-2.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	610.1	653.5	7.1%	-0.3	1 419.9	1 589.6	11.9%	-0.6
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	75.4	85.4	13.4%	0.1	8.0	41.4	420.4%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	370.2	127.3	-65.6%	0.2	80.8	95.3	18.0%	0.0
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.0	-73.4%	-	9 748.1	9 002.3	-7.7%	0.7
<b>Total</b>		<b>161 134.1</b>	<b>163 508.9</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>-339.1</b>	<b>109 878.4</b>	<b>108 911.2</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>	<b>-351.6</b>

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	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to May 2020	January to May 2021	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2020	January to May 2021	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	114 248.0	145 149.5	27.0%	55 276.0	49 112.6	-11.2%
AMERICA	40 770.1	91 409.8	124.2%	46 310.3	51 958.9	12.2%
ASIA	153 512.2	234 535.6	52.8%	211 570.1	258 375.3	22.1%
EUROPE	122 671.7	209 720.3	71.0%	146 254.4	162 862.7	11.4%
OCEANIA	4 242.3	5 762.2	35.8%	6 074.7	7 301.2	20.2%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	35 641.7	45 206.7	26.8%	1 225.1	1 684.4	37.5%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	6 257.7	2 105.9	-66.3%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>477 343.6</b>	<b>733 890.0</b>	<b>53.7%</b>	<b>466 710.6</b>	<b>531 295.2</b>	<b>13.8%</b>

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	6 539.2	7 186.1	9.9%	7 517.0	7 676.3	2.1%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	32 566.9	35 943.3	10.4%	12 626.9	11 603.1	-8.1%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 628.1	1 940.9	19.2%	4 924.7	4 404.3	-10.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	20 153.0	22 554.4	11.9%	15 713.6	16 770.5	6.7%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	121 000.3	183 554.7	51.7%	77 018.1	83 994.0	9.1%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	33 216.2	45 666.3	37.5%	55 821.8	63 153.5	13.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	9 335.0	11 523.0	23.4%	20 082.3	24 630.4	22.6%
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).	1 013.4	1 388.4	37.0%	1 099.1	1 250.1	13.7%
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.	2 458.4	3 326.7	35.3%	2 029.1	2 616.0	28.9%
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.	9 332.8	8 296.6	-11.1%	12 343.3	16 267.9	31.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	6 228.6	8 778.3	40.9%	23 172.1	19 760.7	-14.7%
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.	828.0	1 255.2	51.6%	4 595.4	5 510.1	19.9%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 995.0	2 936.4	47.2%	4 925.1	6 579.3	33.6%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	100 361.2	202 308.8	101.6%	6 594.5	7 195.1	9.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	46 794.1	62 724.9	34.0%	23 952.1	32 538.3	35.8%
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.	31 354.3	48 717.1	55.4%	99 632.4	112 472.3	12.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	45 355.1	77 843.8	71.6%	35 389.5	43 385.8	22.6%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	3 368.1	3 530.7	4.8%	12 956.8	13 500.8	4.2%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 223.8	2 983.3	34.2%	6 259.8	7 573.8	21.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	337.0	372.3	10.5%	117.0	283.9	142.7%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 253.5	1 045.1	-16.6%	580.4	510.3	-12.1%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.6	13.8	768.5%	39 359.5	49 618.8	26.1%
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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	5 867.9	8 223.6	40.1%	-0.9	2 165.0	2 153.2	-0.5%	0.0
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	243.1	267.4	10.0%	-0.0	1 221.3	758.7	-37.9%	0.1
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 161.6	3 514.4	11.2%	-1.1	3 079.9	2 477.3	-19.6%	0.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	38 258.5	34 460.5	-9.9%	-126.6	17 766.4	19 408.8	9.2%	5.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	8 317.3	9 017.9	8.4%	61.7	11 760.5	12 351.9	5.0%	13.8
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 705.0	1 989.0	16.7%	-15.2	5 296.0	4 854.3	-8.3%	-0.9
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).	256.2	227.8	-11.1%	0.2	201.4	245.6	21.9%	-0.0
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.	471.9	545.3	15.6%	0.1	355.2	310.8	-12.5%	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.	1 517.5	1 401.7	-7.6%	-3.5	3 376.1	3 494.5	3.5%	0.5
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 233.0	1 243.0	0.8%	-1.0	3 102.1	2 979.4	-4.0%	0.1
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XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	440.8	472.6	7.2%	-0.1	1 411.5	1 242.2	-12.0%	0.7
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	49 517.5	47 000.8	-5.1%	-	1 325.5	841.6	-36.5%	-1.7
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	11 806.7	11 827.9	0.2%	-211.9	6 347.0	7 217.0	13.7%	-3.0
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.	8 374.9	8 154.3	-2.6%	-14.4	22 368.7	21 936.8	-1.9%	19.0
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	15 172.3	19 303.7	27.2%	-13.4	8 295.2	9 773.9	17.8%	-384.9
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	494.8	510.4	3.2%	-	2 807.2	2 739.6	-2.4%	-0.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	319.6	340.0	6.4%	-0.3	1 409.8	1 581.1	12.2%	-0.6
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	75.0	84.9	13.2%	0.1	7.9	41.4	422.5%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	365.9	116.4	-68.2%	0.2	77.1	94.3	22.4%	0.0
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.0	-73.4%	-	9 748.1	9 002.3	-7.7%	0.7
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OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	35 641.7	45 206.7	26.8%	1 225.1	1 684.4	37.5%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	6 257.7	2 105.9	-66.3%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>430 747.1</b>	<b>672 524.3</b>	<b>56.1%</b>	<b>451 135.6</b>	<b>511 233.4</b>	<b>13.3%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to May 2020	January to May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to May 2020	January to May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	5 162.4	5 635.9	9.2%	6 145.3	6 057.2	-1.4%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	29 085.9	32 216.5	10.8%	12 376.1	11 345.3	-8.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	954.8	1 113.7	16.6%	4 920.7	4 398.6	-10.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	14 186.6	15 721.6	10.8%	13 070.7	14 093.0	7.8%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	112 984.0	174 383.6	54.3%	76 681.7	83 574.6	9.0%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	28 142.1	39 960.2	42.0%	53 203.9	59 819.7	12.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	7 335.9	8 820.3	20.2%	19 886.3	24 316.7	22.3%
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).	883.8	1 145.8	29.6%	1 078.9	1 198.2	11.1%
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.	1 830.2	2 424.0	32.4%	1 451.0	1 748.4	20.5%
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.	8 235.1	7 099.9	-13.8%	12 265.0	16 180.7	31.9%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4 187.9	5 672.8	35.5%	21 244.5	17 057.9	-19.7%
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.	312.0	464.0	48.7%	4 563.7	5 470.2	19.9%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 449.0	2 127.6	46.8%	4 899.3	6 537.0	33.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	99 556.4	199 893.5	100.8%	3 104.8	3 943.6	27.0%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	44 101.4	58 242.0	32.1%	23 478.4	32 175.4	37.0%
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.	25 239.1	39 727.4	57.4%	98 374.3	110 732.2	12.6%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	41 684.5	72 299.2	73.4%	35 201.8	41 197.4	17.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	2 660.6	2 644.9	-0.6%	12 925.4	13 457.7	4.1%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 184.1	1 543.5	30.4%	6 213.5	7 529.4	21.2%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	331.3	369.9	11.6%	116.9	283.8	142.8%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 238.4	1 017.4	-17.8%	573.9	497.7	-13.3%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.6	0.7	-56.6%	39 359.5	49 618.8	26.1%
<b>Total</b>		<b>430 747.1</b>	<b>672 524.3</b>	<b>56.1%</b>	<b>451 135.6</b>	<b>511 233.4</b>	<b>13.3%</b>

# Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement

<b>METHODOLOGY</b> 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

PERIOD: World Zone	April 2021 Revision / May 2021							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	April 2021	May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	April 2021	May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	12 188.5	13 685.8	12.3%	-12.8	5 456.6	3 266.3	-40.1%	-0.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>12 188.5</b>	<b>13 685.8</b>	<b>12.3%</b>	<b>-12.8</b>	<b>5 456.6</b>	<b>3 266.3</b>	<b>-40.1%</b>	<b>-0.9</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		April 2021	May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	April 2021	May 2021	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	332.6	328.8	-1.2%	-0.1	340.2	357.0	4.9%	1.6
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	757.9	704.5	-7.0%	-0.1	54.8	53.7	-2.0%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	172.6	179.3	3.9%	-1.5	1.1	1.0	-5.2%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 391.2	1 363.8	-2.0%	-0.2	599.9	555.2	-7.4%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 535.2	2 742.7	78.7%	-10.2	90.5	91.4	1.0%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 061.9	1 169.6	10.1%	-0.1	593.8	688.9	16.0%	0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	571.8	587.4	2.7%	-0.6	70.6	66.5	-5.8%	-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).	45.1	49.7	10.4%	-0.0	14.3	11.4	-20.0%	-
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.	197.1	201.6	2.3%	0.0	175.9	203.3	15.6%	-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.	222.8	253.1	13.6%	0.3	12.4	14.5	17.2%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	671.4	593.0	-11.7%	-0.2	525.2	458.3	-12.7%	0.0
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.	171.4	150.2	-12.4%	0.0	9.7	5.3	-44.7%	-0.0
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	157.0	165.3	5.3%	0.0	9.4	7.7	-17.4%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	697.2	468.0	-32.9%	-	708.5	343.6	-51.5%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	912.2	1 006.1	10.3%	-0.2	80.5	79.8	-0.9%	-0.4
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.	1 713.6	2 066.8	20.6%	0.0	366.0	274.4	-25.0%	-0.0
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 119.1	1 157.1	3.4%	0.2	1 780.0	38.5	-97.8%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	163.1	173.8	6.6%	-0.1	10.1	6.2	-38.4%	-2.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	290.6	313.5	7.9%	-0.0	10.2	8.4	-16.9%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.3	0.5	52.7%	-	0.0	0.0	-39.4%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4.2	10.9	157.3%	-	3.7	1.0	-73.6%	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>12 188.5</b>	<b>13 685.8</b>	<b>12.3%</b>	<b>-12.8</b>	<b>5 456.6</b>	<b>3 266.3</b>	<b>-40.1%</b>	<b>-0.9</b>

# Preliminary BELN Cumulative Statement

<p><b>METHODOLOGY</b> 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:  World Zone	January to May 2020 / January to May 2021					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to May 2020	January to May 2021	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2020	January to May 2021	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	46 596.5	61 365.6	31.7%	15 574.9	20 061.8	28.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>46 596.5</b>	<b>61 365.6</b>	<b>31.7%</b>	<b>15 574.9</b>	<b>20 061.8</b>	<b>28.8%</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to May 2020	January to May 2021	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2020	January to May 2021	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 376.8	1 550.2	12.6%	1 371.7	1 619.1	18.0%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 481.0	3 726.8	7.1%	250.7	257.8	2.8%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	673.3	827.2	22.9%	4.0	5.7	42.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	5 966.4	6 832.8	14.5%	2 642.9	2 677.5	1.3%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	8 016.3	9 171.1	14.4%	336.4	419.4	24.7%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 074.1	5 706.2	12.5%	2 617.9	3 333.8	27.3%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 999.1	2 702.6	35.2%	196.0	313.7	60.1%
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).	129.6	242.6	87.2%	20.2	51.8	156.9%
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.	628.3	902.7	43.7%	578.1	867.6	50.1%
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.	1 097.7	1 196.8	9.0%	78.3	87.2	11.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 040.7	3 105.5	52.2%	1 927.6	2 702.8	40.2%
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.	515.9	791.1	53.3%	31.8	39.9	25.5%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	546.0	808.8	48.1%	25.8	42.3	64.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	804.8	2 415.3	200.1%	3 489.7	3 251.5	-6.8%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	2 692.6	4 482.9	66.5%	473.8	362.9	-23.4%
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.	6 115.2	8 989.7	47.0%	1 258.1	1 740.1	38.3%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	3 670.6	5 544.6	51.1%	187.7	2 188.4	1065.7%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	707.5	885.9	25.2%	31.4	43.1	37.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 039.7	1 439.8	38.5%	46.4	44.4	-4.1%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	5.7	2.4	-57.9%	0.1	0.1	25.1%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	15.1	27.7	83.4%	6.5	12.7	95.1%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	13.1	Infinity	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>		<b>46 596.5</b>	<b>61 365.6</b>	<b>31.7%</b>	<b>15 574.9</b>	<b>20 061.8</b>	<b>28.8%</b>