

SA Preliminary Trade Statistics for August 2025 (Including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2025 (Preliminary)	R 171 328 565 827	R 167 360 532 263	R 3 968 033 564
July 2025 (Revised)	R 183 746 116 959	R 164 182 586 665	R 19 563 530 294

R Increase/Decrease	R -12 417 551 132	R 3 177 945 598
% Growth	-6.8%	1.9%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2025 (Preliminary)	R 1 344 725 091 989	R 1 242 883 455 405	R 101 841 636 584
January to August 2024 (Revised)	R 1 352 097 405 989	R 1 230 713 746 179	R 121 383 659 810

R Increase/Decrease	R -7 372 313 999	R 12 169 709 226
% Growth	-0.5%	1.0%

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 4:	Prepared foodstuff decreased by	R 1 012 million	(-12%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones decreased by	R 6 543 million	(-19%)
Section 15:	Base metals decreased by	R 3 275 million	(-22%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics decreased by	R 1 572 million	(-12%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments increased by	R 1 093 million	(4%)

IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 2 931 million	(-9%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones increased by	R 965 million	(34%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics increased by	R 2 159 million	(6%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments increased by	R 2 534 million	(17%)
Section 23:	Original equipment components increased by	R 1 461 million	(10%)

Preliminary International Trade (Excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2025 (Preliminary)	R 153 698 006 065	R 161 273 856 464	R -7 575 850 399
July 2025 (Revised)	R 166 038 946 818	R 157 892 869 217	R 8 146 077 601

R Increase/Decrease	R -12 340 940 753	R 3 380 987 247
% Growth	-7.4%	2.1%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2025 (Preliminary)	R 1 209 308 814 374	R 1 195 440 112 110	R 13 868 702 264
January to August 2024 (Revised)	R 1 218 276 605 041	R 1 186 251 442 939	R 32 025 162 102

R Increase/Decrease	R -8 967 790 666	R 9 188 669 171
% Growth	-0.7%	0.8%

BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2025 (Preliminary)	R 17 630 559 762	R 6 086 675 799	R 11 543 883 963
July 2025 (Revised)	R 17 707 170 141	R 6 289 717 448	R 11 417 452 693

R Increase/Decrease	R -76 610 379	R -203 041 649
% Growth	-0.4%	-3.2%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2025 (Preliminary)	R 135 416 277 615	R 47 443 343 295	R 87 972 934 320
January to August 2024 (Revised)	R 133 820 800 948	R 44 462 303 240	R 89 358 497 708

R Increase/Decrease	R 1 595 476 667	R 2 981 040 055
% Growth	1.2%	6.7%

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

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World Zone	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	49 218.4	47 524.0	-3.4%	-67.3	14 790.9	13 946.9	-5.7%	4.8
AMERICA	14 992.3	14 450.7	-3.6%	-27.9	16 960.8	17 183.7	1.3%	18.3
ASIA	51 717.8	50 762.3	-1.8%	-264.0	87 892.9	86 149.0	-2.0%	119.1
EUROPE	49 951.0	46 995.8	-5.9%	-210.5	42 355.2	47 864.2	13.0%	202.7
OCEANIA	2 420.9	2 059.8	-14.9%	0.0	1 743.6	1 915.8	9.9%	-189.3
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	14 008.0	7 541.9	-46.2%	-	439.3	300.9	-31.5%	0.0
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	1 437.7	1 994.0	38.7%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	183 746.1	171 328.6	-6.8%	-569.7	164 182.6	167 360.5	1.9%	155.7

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 057.2	2 080.2	1.1%	-0.9	1 244.0	1 437.8	15.6%	1.1
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	17 903.1	17 184.2	-4.0%	-2.5	3 118.0	3 984.7	27.8%	-183.4
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products;	705.4	576.0	-18.3%	-0.0	1 586.2	1 344.9	-15.2%	0.1
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	8 693.9	7 681.8	-11.6%	1.6	5 311.9	4 838.5	-8.9%	166.2
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	41 324.0	42 316.2	2.4%	-423.7	30 934.4	28 003.4	-9.5%	46.3
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	9 887.2	10 634.9	7.6%	3.2	19 007.2	19 277.1	1.4%	4.3
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3 489.5	2 883.5	-17.4%	-43.7	6 908.1	6 357.5	-8.0%	12.9
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).	358.9	298.0	-17.0%	-0.3	486.6	507.0	4.2%	0.2
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.	1 170.8	1 153.4	-1.5%	-3.5	652.0	681.5	4.5%	6.8
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.	3 150.7	2 596.8	-17.6%	5.2	2 076.1	2 152.7	3.7%	1.9
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 908.8	1 713.9	-10.2%	0.8	6 099.0	5 576.1	-8.6%	14.8
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.	379.2	389.7	2.8%	0.1	2 189.9	2 062.1	-5.8%	1.3
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	732.2	682.0	-6.9%	0.1	1 388.3	1 475.6	6.3%	0.4
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	35 334.0	28 790.5	-18.5%	0.7	2 802.4	3 767.6	34.4%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	14 891.3	11 616.4	-22.0%	-49.7	8 703.0	7 847.6	-9.8%	42.0
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.	13 624.8	12 052.8	-11.5%	-2.0	35 984.7	38 144.1	6.0%	30.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	25 034.2	26 127.4	4.4%	-59.6	14 775.8	17 309.9	17.2%	1.9
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	991.2	839.4	-15.3%	0.2	4 118.0	4 151.0	0.8%	7.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 125.5	1 070.6	-4.9%	3.8	2 454.5	2 629.4	7.1%	-2.5
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	155.7	107.2	-31.1%	0.8	54.5	50.6	-7.1%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	828.2	533.7	-35.6%	-	170.9	183.3	7.3%	0.6
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.0	-87.5%	-	14 117.1	15 578.0	10.3%	2.9
Total		183 746.1	171 328.6	-6.8%	-569.7	164 182.6	167 360.5	1.9%	155.7

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	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	376 057.5	373 187.5	-0.8%	131 158.1	117 966.1	-10.1%
AMERICA	127 383.3	113 297.9	-11.1%	118 283.5	128 502.0	8.6%
ASIA	400 693.0	387 849.2	-3.2%	621 142.9	643 416.5	3.6%
EUROPE	332 066.0	341 760.2	2.9%	338 949.6	331 634.5	-2.2%
OCEANIA	15 711.2	14 771.5	-6.0%	16 202.2	18 017.4	11.2%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	90 450.4	104 533.0	15.6%	4 977.4	3 346.9	-32.8%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	9 736.0	9 325.9	-4.2%	-	-	0.0%
Total	1 352 097.4	1 344 725.1	-0.5%	1 230 713.7	1 242 883.5	1.0%

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	14 827.6	16 586.8	11.9%	14 866.8	11 183.2	-24.8%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	95 782.4	106 375.1	11.1%	28 823.2	31 181.3	8.2%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	5 536.5	5 297.7	-4.3%	9 405.8	9 928.0	5.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	55 619.1	58 637.7	5.4%	36 656.1	40 441.0	10.3%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	344 215.6	329 747.7	-4.2%	248 076.6	229 296.6	-7.6%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	76 989.3	76 627.1	-0.5%	133 128.7	134 946.7	1.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	23 070.5	23 842.7	3.3%	52 115.6	50 498.6	-3.1%
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).	2 941.6	2 763.8	-6.0%	3 337.7	3 398.7	1.8%
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.	6 806.3	8 660.9	27.2%	4 925.8	4 985.5	1.2%
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.	22 262.6	20 926.0	-6.0%	16 002.5	15 789.0	-1.3%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	14 961.2	15 769.2	5.4%	42 694.6	42 904.6	0.5%
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.	2 691.2	3 114.3	15.7%	13 328.3	13 415.2	0.7%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	5 080.2	5 559.6	9.4%	10 898.2	10 782.1	-1.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	235 289.9	250 426.0	6.4%	21 937.9	23 108.1	5.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	144 936.5	115 553.7	-20.3%	66 498.5	64 318.1	-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.	95 537.3	95 153.6	-0.4%	277 649.7	282 317.5	1.7%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	186 882.9	188 527.7	0.9%	94 964.0	117 739.3	24.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	6 721.9	7 316.8	8.8%	30 481.5	31 259.2	2.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	7 216.2	7 693.8	6.6%	16 069.3	16 518.8	2.8%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	1 152.7	1 040.2	-9.8%	433.8	526.1	21.3%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	3 573.5	5 093.1	42.5%	1 609.4	1 402.8	-12.8%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	2.3	11.4	404.4%	106 809.8	106 943.0	0.1%
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Total	166 038.9	153 698.0	-7.4%	-564.5	157 892.9	161 273.9	2.1%	150.3

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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	16 937.6	16 211.2	-4.3%	-2.5	2 950.3	3 804.0	28.9%	-183.5
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	410.5	306.6	-25.3%	-0.0	1 584.0	1 341.7	-15.3%	0.1
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	6 521.0	5 448.3	-16.4%	1.0	4 455.2	4 013.5	-9.9%	166.2
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	38 643.3	39 673.4	2.7%	-421.0	30 772.0	27 873.8	-9.4%	46.3
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	8 103.2	8 951.1	10.5%	3.2	17 978.1	18 405.9	2.4%	4.3
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 689.5	2 066.6	-23.2%	-43.7	6 815.1	6 282.3	-7.8%	12.9
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).	307.6	246.7	-19.8%	-0.3	472.0	493.8	4.6%	0.2
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.	903.7	878.8	-2.8%	-3.4	358.3	370.7	3.5%	6.7
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.	2 798.9	2 221.8	-20.6%	5.2	2 026.0	2 100.4	3.7%	1.9
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	922.1	804.4	-12.8%	0.8	5 179.4	4 757.5	-8.1%	13.6
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.	140.6	118.2	-15.9%	-	2 166.1	2 049.8	-5.4%	1.3
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	514.9	441.7	-14.2%	0.0	1 375.7	1 461.5	6.2%	0.4
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	35 175.6	28 617.0	-18.6%	0.7	1 049.1	1 932.0	84.2%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	13 685.7	10 483.2	-23.4%	-48.7	8 593.1	7 751.6	-9.8%	41.9
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.	10 893.0	9 441.2	-13.3%	-0.3	35 498.0	37 640.5	6.0%	30.6
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	23 379.6	24 234.9	3.7%	-59.6	14 717.6	17 242.6	17.2%	-1.6
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XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	655.2	613.4	-6.4%	3.7	2 440.8	2 617.6	7.2%	-2.5
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	155.0	102.7	-33.8%	0.8	54.4	50.4	-7.4%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	813.9	524.4	-35.6%	-	169.4	182.5	7.7%	0.6
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.0	-87.5%	-	14 117.1	15 578.0	10.3%	2.9
Total		166 038.9	153 698.0	-7.4%	-564.5	157 892.9	161 273.9	2.1%	150.3

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		January to August 2024	January to August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2024	January to August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	11 852.6	13 536.9	14.2%	11 730.2	9 317.4	-20.6%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	86 338.5	97 768.2	13.2%	27 954.2	30 165.6	7.9%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	3 875.2	3 434.8	-11.4%	9 387.1	9 874.9	5.2%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	39 369.7	41 960.0	6.6%	30 612.4	33 817.7	10.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	323 173.2	308 852.0	-4.4%	246 358.4	227 855.0	-7.5%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	64 467.7	63 173.0	-2.0%	125 499.8	127 703.6	1.8%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	17 052.0	17 871.3	4.8%	51 472.5	49 863.5	-3.1%
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).	2 569.9	2 382.3	-7.3%	3 250.9	3 315.4	2.0%
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.	5 071.8	6 685.4	31.8%	3 057.6	2 949.5	-3.5%
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.	19 513.2	18 245.5	-6.5%	15 630.8	15 392.2	-1.5%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	8 556.4	8 829.7	3.2%	37 244.7	36 988.8	-0.7%
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.	1 082.2	1 413.9	30.6%	13 180.9	13 271.0	0.7%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3 528.1	3 854.0	9.2%	10 808.9	10 678.2	-1.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	232 615.4	248 154.0	6.7%	10 677.5	8 401.4	-21.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	136 033.5	106 790.1	-21.5%	65 809.8	63 437.0	-3.6%
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.	75 045.8	74 560.7	-0.6%	273 753.8	278 631.5	1.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	174 452.0	176 052.2	0.9%	94 604.5	117 319.9	24.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	4 951.3	5 386.7	8.8%	30 396.8	31 176.6	2.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	4 044.8	4 267.7	5.5%	15 980.6	16 422.9	2.8%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	1 140.6	1 029.6	-9.7%	433.1	525.0	21.2%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	3 540.7	5 049.6	42.6%	1 597.2	1 389.9	-13.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.9	11.3	511.4%	106 809.8	106 943.0	0.1%
Total		1 218 276.6	1 209 308.8	-0.7%	1 186 251.4	1 195 440.1	0.8%

Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement

<p>METHODOLOGY</p> <p>COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES.</p> <p>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 the publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.</p>
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	July 2025 Revision / August 2025							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	17 707.2	17 630.6	-0.4%	-5.2	6 289.7	6 086.7	-3.2%	5.3
Total	17 707.2	17 630.6	-0.4%	-5.2	6 289.7	6 086.7	-3.2%	5.3

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	409.6	368.4	-10.1%	-0.2	226.5	252.0	11.2%	0.3
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	965.4	973.0	0.8%	-0.0	167.8	180.8	7.8%	0.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	295.0	269.4	-8.7%	-	2.2	3.3	51.5%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 173.0	2 233.4	2.8%	0.6	856.7	825.0	-3.7%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	2 680.7	2 642.8	-1.4%	-2.7	162.4	129.6	-20.2%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 784.0	1 683.8	-5.6%	0.0	1 029.1	871.2	-15.3%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	799.9	816.9	2.1%	-0.0	93.0	75.2	-19.2%	-
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).	51.3	51.3	0.0%	0.0	14.6	13.2	-9.7%	-
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.	267.1	274.6	2.8%	-0.2	293.8	310.7	5.8%	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.	351.8	375.0	6.6%	-0.0	50.1	52.2	4.3%	-
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	986.7	909.5	-7.8%	0.0	919.6	818.6	-11.0%	1.2
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.	238.6	271.5	13.8%	0.1	23.8	12.3	-48.1%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	217.2	240.3	10.6%	0.0	12.7	14.1	11.0%	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.	158.4	173.6	9.6%	0.0	1 753.3	1 835.5	4.7%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	1 205.6	1 133.2	-6.0%	-1.0	109.9	96.0	-12.6%	0.0
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.	2 731.9	2 611.7	-4.4%	-1.8	486.6	503.6	3.5%	0.2
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 654.6	1 892.5	14.4%	-0.1	58.2	67.3	15.6%	3.5
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	250.9	238.5	-4.9%	0.0	14.1	13.2	-6.3%	0.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	470.3	457.2	-2.8%	0.1	13.7	11.8	-13.8%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.8	4.6	498.5%	-	0.1	0.2	107.6%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	14.3	9.3	-35.4%	-	1.5	0.8	-47.0%	0.0
Total		17 707.2	17 630.6	-0.4%	-5.2	6 289.7	6 086.7	-3.2%	5.3

Preliminary BELN Cumulative Statement

<p>METHODOLOGY</p> <p>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 August 2024 / January to August 2025					
World Zone	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to August 2024	January to August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2024	January to August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	133 820.8	135 416.3	1.2%	44 462.3	47 443.3	6.7%
Total	133 820.8	135 416.3	1.2%	44 462.3	47 443.3	6.7%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to August 2024	January to August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2024	January to August 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 975.0	3 049.9	2.5%	3 136.6	1 865.9	-40.5%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	9 443.9	8 606.9	-8.9%	869.0	1 015.7	16.9%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 661.3	1 862.9	12.1%	18.7	53.1	184.3%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	16 249.4	16 677.7	2.6%	6 043.7	6 623.3	9.6%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	21 042.4	20 895.7	-0.7%	1 718.2	1 441.6	-16.1%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	12 521.6	13 454.1	7.4%	7 628.9	7 243.1	-5.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	6 018.5	5 971.4	-0.8%	643.1	635.1	-1.2%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof;	371.6	381.6	2.7%	86.7	83.3	-4.0%
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.	1 734.5	1 975.5	13.9%	1 868.2	2 036.0	9.0%
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.	2 749.4	2 680.6	-2.5%	371.7	396.7	6.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	6 404.7	6 939.5	8.3%	5 450.0	5 915.8	8.5%
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.	1 608.9	1 700.4	5.7%	147.4	144.2	-2.1%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 552.1	1 705.6	9.9%	89.4	103.9	16.3%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	2 674.6	2 272.1	-15.0%	11 260.4	14 706.7	30.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	8 903.0	8 763.6	-1.6%	688.7	881.1	27.9%
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.	20 491.5	20 592.9	0.5%	3 895.9	3 686.0	-5.4%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	12 430.9	12 475.5	0.4%	359.5	419.4	16.7%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 770.6	1 930.1	9.0%	84.7	82.6	-2.5%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3 171.4	3 426.1	8.0%	88.7	95.9	8.1%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	12.2	10.6	-13.4%	0.7	1.0	51.4%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	32.8	43.6	33.1%	12.2	12.8	5.4%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.4	0.1	-80.3%	0.0	-	-100.0%
Total		133 820.8	135 416.3	1.2%	44 462.3	47 443.3	6.7%