

SA Trade Statistics for July 2017

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Pretoria, 31 August 2017– The South African Revenue Service (SARS) today releases trade statistics for July 2017 recording a trade balance surplus of R8.99 billion. These statistics include trade data with Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia and Swaziland (BLNS). The year-to-date trade balance surplus (01 January to 31 July 2017) of R36.63 billion is an improvement on the deficit for the comparable period in 2016 of R4.70 billion. Exports for the year-to-date grew by 4.4% whilst imports for the same period declined by 2.2%.

Including trade data with Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia and Swaziland (BLNS)

The R8.99 billion trade balance surplus for July 2017 is attributable to exports of R93.09 billion and imports of R84.10 billion. Exports decreased from June 2017 to July 2017 by R8.92 billion (8.7%) and imports decreased from June 2017 to July 2017 by R7.35 billion (8.0%).

Exports for the year-to-date (01 January to 31 July 2017) grew by 4.4% from R629.65 billion in 2016 to R657.34 billion in 2017. Imports for the year-to-date of R620.71 billion are 2.2% less than the imports recorded in January to July 2016 of R634.36 billion, leaving a trade balance surplus of R33.63 billion.

On a year-on-year basis, the R8.99 billion trade balance surplus for July 2017 is an improvement from the surplus recorded in July 2016 of R0.41 billion. Exports of R93.09 billion are 2.7% more than the exports recorded in July 2016 of R90.66 billion. Imports of R84.10 billion are 6.8% less than the imports recorded in July 2016 of R90.26 billion.

June 2017's trade balance surplus was revised downwards by R0.11 billion from the previous month's preliminary surplus of R10.67 billion to a revised surplus of R10.56 billion as a result of ongoing Vouchers of Correction (VOC's).

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Trade highlights by category

The main month-on-month export movements:

R' million	Including BLNS:	
Section:		
Precious Metals & Stones	- R3 825	- 21%
Base Metals	- R1 421	- 12%
Mineral Products	- R1 103	- 5%
Machinery & Electronics	- R 418	- 5%
Prepared Foodstuff	- R 310	- 7%
Textiles	- R 303	- 23%
Total	- R6 801	83%
Total Movement	-R8 921	100%

The main month-on-month import movements:

R' million	Including BLNS:	
Section:		
Mineral Products	- R3 246	- 27%
Original Equipment Components	- R1 458	- 17%
Vehicles & Transport Equipment	- R 1 352	- 11%
Machinery & Electronics	- R 992	- 5%
Base Metals	- R 908	- 18%
Optical Photographic Products	+ R 157	+ 7%
Chemical Products	+ R 598	+ 6%
Total	- R7 201	98%
Total Movement	-R7 350	100%

Trade highlights by world zone

The world zone results from June 2017 (revised) to July 2017 are given below.

Africa:

Exports: R25 204 million – this is a decrease of R4 899 million from June 2017.

Imports: R7 798 million – this is an increase of R112 million from June 2017.

Trade Balance surplus: R17 407 million – this is a deterioration in comparison to the R22 418 million surplus recorded in June 2017.

America:

Exports: R8 699 million – this is a decrease of R393 million from June 2017.

Imports: R9 580 million – this is a decrease of R1 729 million from June 2017.

Trade Balance deficit: R881 million – this is an improvement in comparison to the R2 217 million deficit recorded in June 2017.

Asia:

Exports: R26 937 million – this is a decrease of R2 253 million from June 2017.

Imports: R36 743 million – this is a decrease of R4 152 million from June 2017.
 Trade Balance deficit: R9 806 million – this is an improvement in comparison to the R11 705 million deficit recorded in June 2017.

Europe:

Exports: R25 123 million – this is an increase of R 31 million from June 2017.
 Imports: R29 021 million – this is a decrease of R1 284 million from June 2017.
 Trade Balance deficit: R3 898 million – this is an improvement in comparison to the R5 213 million deficit recorded in June 2017.

Oceania:

Exports: R1 310 million – this is an increase of R 79 million from June 2017.
 Imports: R929 million – this is a decrease of R 91 million from June 2017.
 Trade Balance surplus: R 381 million – this is an improvement in comparison to the R 211 million surplus recorded in June 2017.

Excluding trade data with Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia and Swaziland (BLNS)

The trade data excluding BLNS for July 2017 recorded a trade balance surplus of R 2.28 billion.

Summary

The R 2.28 billion surplus for July 2017 is as a result of exports of R83.09 billion and imports of R80.81 billion. Exports decreased from June 2017 to July 2017 by R4.70 billion (5.4%) and imports decreased from June 2017 to July 2017 by R7.64 billion (8.6%).

The cumulative deficit for 2017 is R16.06 billion compared to R64.72 billion deficit in 2016.

Trade highlights by category

The main month-on-month export movements:

R' million	Excluding BLNS:	
Section:		
Precious Metals & Stones	- R1 537	- 9%
Mineral Products	- R1 270	- 7%
Machinery & Electronics	- R 333	- 5%
Textiles	- R 309	- 37%
Wood Pulp and Paper	- R 296	- 20%
Chemical Products	- R 200	- 4%
Other Unclassified	- R 157	- 27%

Base Metals	+ R 347	+ 4%
Total	- R3 755	80%
Total Movement	- R4 701	100%

The main month-on-month import movements:

R' million		
Section:	Excluding BLNS:	
Mineral Products	- R3 246	- 27%
Original Equipment Components	- R1 458	- 17%
Vehicles & Transport Equipment	- R1 280	- 11%
Machinery & Electronics	- R 907	- 4%
Base Metals	- R 900	- 18%
Chemical Products	+ R 350	+ 4%
Total	- R7 531	99%
Total Movement	- R7 642	100%

Trade highlights by world zone

The world zone results for Africa excluding BLNS from June 2017 (Revised) to July 2017 are given below.

Africa:

Exports: R15 198 million – this is a decrease of R 680 million from June 2017.

Imports: R4 497 million – this is a decrease of R 180 million from June 2017.

Trade Balance surplus: R10 701 million – this is a deterioration in comparison to the R 11 201 million surplus recorded in June 2017.

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SA Trade Release Table (including BLNS)

Harmonised Sections		Monthly Trade		Cumulative Trade		Exports				Imports			
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I, Ch 1-5	Animals/Animal Products	(756 994 840)	0.58	(2 883 410 723)	0.74	1.13	1 049 833 134	8 683 679 936	8 409 935 579	2.15	1 806 827 974	9 690 144 115	11 293 346 302
II, Ch 6-14	Vegetable Products	5 790 324 297	4.32	25 318 614 216	2.88	8.09	7 533 354 986	37 373 560 038	38 820 349 594	2.07	1 743 030 689	19 893 857 730	13 501 735 378
III, Ch 15	Fats and Oils	(541 036 214)	0.38	(3 650 800 129)	0.37	0.35	326 254 023	2 167 164 126	2 120 798 968	1.03	867 290 237	5 247 925 478	5 771 599 097
IV, Ch 16-24	Prepared Foods	1 395 803 450	1.55	6 239 193 750	1.32	4.20	3 911 259 747	27 542 146 727	25 642 085 191	2.99	2 515 456 297	18 757 915 622	19 402 891 441
V, Ch 25-27	Mineral Products	11 001 583 161	2.27	64 034 124 633	1.68	21.13	19 670 461 222	118 965 374 512	158 788 775 226	10.31	8 668 878 061	82 959 962 602	94 754 650 593
VI, Ch 28-38	Chemical Products	(4 220 693 451)	0.58	(25 050 221 269)	0.62	6.24	5 809 925 191	38 505 757 133	40 849 729 463	11.93	10 030 618 642	65 007 082 703	65 899 950 732
VII, Ch 39-40	Plastics and Rubber	(1 832 555 874)	0.52	(13 993 397 361)	0.48	2.10	1 951 169 747	13 458 927 745	13 067 936 823	4.50	3 783 725 621	27 701 235 360	27 061 334 184
VIII, Ch 41-43	Hides, Skins and Leather	19 253 989	1.06	446 498 134	1.21	0.35	322 538 821	2 841 282 507	2 569 788 582	0.36	303 284 832	2 407 094 809	2 123 290 448
IX, Ch 44-46	Wood and articles thereof	96 493 239	1.24	1 011 531 620	1.34	0.54	506 942 625	3 970 222 513	3 977 599 065	0.49	410 449 386	3 226 010 612	2 966 067 445
X, Ch 47-49	Pulp and Paper Products	101 644 061	1.08	3 713 565 538	1.43	1.48	1 382 106 419	12 653 992 603	12 288 030 721	1.52	1 280 462 358	10 017 370 662	8 574 465 183
XI, Ch 50-63	Textiles and Clothing	(2 186 467 176)	0.32	(13 988 477 269)	0.40	1.12	1 043 574 619	8 932 951 790	9 135 262 521	3.84	3 230 041 795	25 546 394 252	23 123 739 790
XII, Ch 64-67	Footwear and Accessories	(868 403 968)	0.20	(5 798 380 462)	0.21	0.24	220 170 311	1 495 070 346	1 521 976 649	1.29	1 088 574 279	8 536 745 147	7 320 357 111
XIII, Ch 68-70	Stone, Plaster, etc	(574 574 983)	0.45	(4 061 927 284)	0.43	0.50	461 840 821	3 569 558 964	3 046 677 963	1.23	1 036 415 804	8 213 304 659	7 108 605 247
XIV, Ch 71	Precious Stones	13 837 693 739	15.22	102 556 506 966	15.47	15.91	14 810 880 897	106 900 890 620	109 644 010 466	1.16	973 187 158	6 237 104 592	7 087 503 500
XV, Ch 72-83	Base Metals	6 428 072 160	2.50	45 994 504 389	2.34	11.49	10 700 454 576	79 416 372 764	80 407 468 476	5.08	4 272 382 416	35 689 512 264	34 412 964 087
XVI, Ch 84-85	Machinery and Appliances	(12 551 143 074)	0.38	(89 635 607 930)	0.37	8.28	7 703 614 900	61 355 229 642	52 770 889 756	24.08	20 254 757 974	158 424 461 287	142 406 497 686
XVII, Ch 86-89	Transport Equipment	3 498 701 205	1.34	12 538 332 268	1.19	14.97	13 931 642 038	86 266 987 112	79 285 519 667	12.40	10 432 940 833	60 887 625 814	66 747 187 399
XVIII, Ch 90-92	Precision Products, etc	(1 952 273 804)	0.23	(12 784 670 432)	0.25	0.62	575 104 381	5 139 112 321	4 361 128 234	3.00	2 527 378 185	18 418 949 729	17 145 798 666
XX, Ch 94-96	Misc Manufactured Articles	(771 404 216)	0.47	(5 817 442 468)	0.43	0.75	697 700 533	4 753 826 914	4 416 124 807	1.75	1 469 104 749	10 976 272 985	10 233 567 275
XXI, Ch 97	Works of Art/Antiques	(12 138 272)	0.81	328 439 316	1.69	0.06	53 360 924	629 151 815	806 586 631	0.08	65 499 196	266 645 687	478 147 315
XXII, Ch 99	Other Unclassified ¹⁾	314 624 115	3.68	4 621 985 580	6.88	0.46	431 846 188	5 028 252 393	5 408 021 289	0.14	117 222 073	958 045 865	786 035 709
XXIII, Ch 98	Special Provisions ²⁾	(7 230 956 371)	0.00	(52 510 087 736)	0.00	0.00	355 274	4 451 119	2 733 674	8.60	7 231 311 645	55 293 483 680	52 512 821 410
Total	Total SA Rand	8 985 551 173	1.11	36 628 873 347	1.06	100.00	93 094 391 377	629 653 963 640	657 341 429 345	100.00	84 108 840 204	634 357 145 654	620 712 555 998

World Zones	Monthly Trade		Cumulative Trade		Exports				Imports			
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AFRICA	17 406 586 480	3.23	108 793 708 662	2.64	27.07	25 204 068 759	176 654 872 948	175 013 889 009	9.27	7 797 482 279	69 492 372 530	66 220 180 347
AMERICA	(881 171 066)	0.91	(10 888 571 378)	0.84	9.34	8 698 643 174	61 441 824 231	57 722 635 567	11.39	9 579 814 240	74 020 535 259	68 611 206 945
ASIA	(9 805 958 946)	0.73	(69 404 990 420)	0.75	28.94	26 937 205 786	188 430 990 894	204 061 642 999	43.69	36 743 164 732	271 153 467 587	273 466 633 419
EUROPE	(3 897 886 569)	0.87	(37 226 030 167)	0.82	26.99	25 122 616 491	159 147 649 727	166 059 642 513	34.50	29 020 503 060	211 113 546 746	203 285 672 680
OCEANIA	381 341 559	1.41	48 245 003	1.01	1.41	1 310 230 989	7 697 044 960	7 877 514 819	1.10	928 889 430	7 730 256 295	7 829 269 816
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	5 405 984 089	139.66	39 952 119 102	31.74	5.85	5 444 970 552	33 166 707 399	41 251 711 893	0.05	38 986 463	846 967 237	1 299 592 791
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	376 655 626	-	5 354 392 545	-	0.40	376 655 626	3 114 873 481	5 354 392 545				
Total	8 985 551 173	1.11	36 628 873 347	1.06	100.00	93 094 391 377	629 653 963 640	657 341 429 345	100.00	84 108 840 204	634 357 145 654	620 712 555 998

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Gold Imports ⁴⁾	6 496 014 865	5 524 504 610	6 191 090 539	5 817 919 863	7 099 357 038	6 392 855 491	6 215 652 071

Notes:

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I, Ch 1-5	Animals/Animal Products	(586 942 868)	0.56	(2 529 499 124)	0.71	0.91	753 690 550	6 687 020 030	6 302 790 345	1.66	1 340 633 418	7 834 223 011	8 832 289 469
II, Ch 6-14	Vegetable Products	5 335 558 552	4.14	21 639 141 874	2.63	8.47	7 036 736 102	33 102 135 573	34 916 350 522	2.11	1 701 177 550	19 493 820 879	13 277 208 648
III, Ch 15	Fats and Oils	(620 407 243)	0.28	(4 344 323 294)	0.24	0.28	236 441 108	1 463 899 930	1 403 731 810	1.06	856 848 351	5 218 594 610	5 748 055 104
IV, Ch 16-24	Prepared Foods	728 495 647	1.34	1 500 919 763	1.09	3.43	2 846 977 016	20 262 235 380	17 999 664 268	2.62	2 118 481 369	15 781 355 831	16 498 744 505
V, Ch 25-27	Mineral Products	9 425 157 984	2.09	54 056 353 866	1.57	21.70	18 032 664 608	106 552 873 083	148 378 699 159	10.65	8 607 506 624	82 600 197 944	94 322 345 293
VI, Ch 28-38	Chemical Products	(4 607 843 404)	0.51	(27 613 649 320)	0.56	5.87	4 880 939 603	31 914 349 917	34 485 667 639	11.74	9 488 783 007	61 514 332 392	62 099 316 959
VII, Ch 39-40	Plastics and Rubber	(2 231 811 823)	0.40	(16 786 779 190)	0.37	1.83	1 516 987 045	10 213 777 132	10 027 616 656	4.64	3 748 798 868	27 448 168 225	26 814 395 846
VIII, Ch 41-43	Hides, Skins and Leather	(12 898 589)	0.96	288 204 394	1.14	0.33	276 673 564	2 498 118 667	2 307 305 885	0.36	289 572 153	2 238 374 622	2 019 101 491
IX, Ch 44-46	Wood and articles thereof	73 121 659	1.26	799 966 083	1.37	0.42	350 582 523	2 910 108 443	2 970 012 275	0.34	277 460 864	2 442 108 401	2 170 046 192
X, Ch 47-49	Pulp and Paper Products	(93 455 955)	0.93	2 209 295 823	1.26	1.40	1 162 215 154	11 029 456 471	10 641 727 327	1.55	1 255 671 109	9 874 281 325	8 432 431 504
XI, Ch 50-63	Textiles and Clothing	(2 228 557 831)	0.19	(14 580 360 416)	0.27	0.64	529 569 893	5 373 624 237	5 523 095 315	3.41	2 758 127 724	22 741 274 261	20 103 455 731
XII, Ch 64-67	Footwear and Accessories	(1 008 632 888)	0.06	(6 749 100 924)	0.07	0.08	66 939 712	474 589 033	489 333 364	1.33	1 075 572 600	8 431 435 057	7 238 434 288
XIII, Ch 68-70	Stone, Plaster, etc	(707 297 717)	0.31	(4 943 974 443)	0.30	0.38	319 847 904	2 528 111 328	2 102 072 524	1.27	1 027 145 621	8 135 833 729	7 046 046 967
XIV, Ch 71	Precious Stones	14 423 768 500	39.33	102 315 973 270	27.79	17.81	14 800 107 459	102 313 277 619	106 135 777 127	0.47	376 338 959	4 067 088 018	3 819 803 857
XV, Ch 72-83	Base Metals	5 737 501 809	2.37	39 891 230 358	2.18	11.96	9 935 388 911	74 182 764 832	73 808 022 647	5.19	4 197 887 102	35 156 080 372	33 916 792 289
XVI, Ch 84-85	Machinery and Appliances	(13 703 674 172)	0.31	(97 954 609 847)	0.30	7.49	6 225 793 464	49 801 586 725	42 399 472 416	24.66	19 929 467 636	156 387 998 860	140 354 082 263
XVII, Ch 86-89	Transport Equipment	2 421 786 389	1.23	5 479 037 690	1.08	15.44	12 827 881 280	76 947 629 162	71 916 431 961	12.88	10 406 094 891	60 497 625 895	66 437 394 271
XVIII, Ch 90-92	Precision Products, etc	(2 100 349 597)	0.17	(13 707 908 785)	0.20	0.51	422 978 265	4 065 899 245	3 401 616 774	3.12	2 523 327 862	18 379 048 053	17 109 525 559
XX, Ch 94-96	Misc Manufactured Articles	(1 032 380 188)	0.27	(7 449 016 086)	0.25	0.47	389 138 813	2 824 141 632	2 496 140 339	1.76	1 421 519 001	10 752 235 125	9 945 156 425
XXI, Ch 97	Works of Art/Antiques	(11 366 703)	0.82	326 311 822	1.68	0.06	52 595 315	624 205 264	802 755 532	0.08	63 962 018	266 196 981	476 443 710
XXII, Ch 99	Other Unclassified ¹⁾	311 300 236	3.77	4 608 009 027	7.09	0.51	423 725 303	4 990 213 770	5 365 152 776	0.14	112 425 067	931 640 408	757 143 749
XXIII, Ch 98	Special Provisions ²⁾	(7 230 956 371)	0.00	(52 510 660 702)	0.00	0.00	355 274	4 451 119	2 160 708	8.95	7 231 311 645	55 293 483 680	52 512 821 410
Total	Total SA Rand	2 280 115 427	1.03	(16 055 438 161)	0.97	100.00	83 088 228 866	550 764 468 592	583 875 597 369	100.00	80 808 113 439	615 485 397 679	599 931 035 530

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Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia and Swaziland (Only)

Trade Statistics with BLNS countries

Trade statistics with the BLNS for July 2017 recorded a trade balance surplus of R6.71 billion.

Summary

The R6.71 billion surplus for July 2017 is as a result of exports of R10.01 billion and imports of R3.30 billion.

Exports decreased from June 2017 to July 2017 by R4.22 billion (29.7%) and imports increased from June 2017 to July 2017 by R0.29 billion (9.7%).

The cumulative surplus for 2017 is R52.68 billion compared to R60.02 billion in 2016.

Trade Highlights by Category

The main month-on-month export movements:

R' million	BLNS:	
Section:		
Precious Metals & Stones	- R2 288	- 100%
Base Metals	- R1 768	- 70%
Chemical Products	- R 96	- 9%
Machinery & Electronics	- R 85	- 5%
Mineral Products	+ R 166	+ 11%
Total	- R4 071	96%
Total Movement	- R4 220	100%

The main month-on-month import movements:

R' million	BLNS:	
Section:		
Chemical Products	+ R 248	+ 85%
Precious Metals & Stones	+ R 124	+ 26%
Live Animals	+ R 31	+ 7%
Vehicles & Transport Equipment	- R 71	- 73%
Machinery & Electronics	- R 85	- 21%
Total	+ R 247	85%
Total Movement	+ R 292	100%

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