

## SA Trade Statistics for July 2017 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
July 2017 (Preliminary)	R 93 094 391 377	R 84 108 840 204	R 8 985 551 173
June 2017 (Revised)	R 102 015 007 365	R 91 458 517 844	R 10 556 489 521

R Increase/Decrease	R -8 920 615 988	R -7 349 677 640
% Growth	-8.7%	-8.0%

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to July 2017 (Preliminary)	R 657 341 429 345	R 620 712 555 998	R 36 628 873 347
January to July 2016 (Revised)	R 629 653 963 640	R 634 357 145 654	R -4 703 182 014

R Increase/Decrease	R 27 687 465 705	R -13 644 589 656
% Growth	4.4%	-2.2%

### COMMENTS

#### Month on month increase/decrease

#### EXPORTS

Section 4:	Prepared Foodstuffs decreased by	R 310 million (-7%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 1 103 million (-5%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones decreased by	R 3 825 million (-21%)
Section 15:	Base Metals decreased by	R 1 421 million (-12%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics decreased by	R 418 million (-5%)

#### IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 3 246 million (-27%)
Section 15:	Base Metals decreased by	R 908 million (-18%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics decreased by	R 992 million (-5%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 1 352 million (-11%)
Section 23:	Original Equipment Components decreased by	R 1 458 million (-17%)

## International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
July 2017 (Preliminary)	R 83 088 228 866	R 80 808 113 439	R 2 280 115 427
June 2017 (Revised)	R 87 789 262 107	R 88 449 979 241	R -660 717 134
R Increase/Decrease	R -4 701 033 241	R -7 641 865 802	
% Growth	-5.4%	-8.6%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to July 2017 (Preliminary)	R 583 875 597 369	R 599 931 035 530	R -16 055 438 161
January to July 2016 (Revised)	R 550 764 468 592	R 615 485 397 679	R -64 720 929 087
R Increase/Decrease	R 33 111 128 777	R -15 554 362 149	
% Growth	6.0%	-2.5%	

## BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
July 2017 (Preliminary)	R 10 006 162 511	R 3 300 726 765	R 6 705 435 746
June 2017 (Revised)	R 14 225 745 258	R 3 008 538 603	R 11 217 206 655
R Increase/Decrease	R -4 219 582 747	R 292 188 162	
% Growth	-29.7%	9.7%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to July 2017 (Preliminary)	R 73 465 831 976	R 20 781 520 468	R 52 684 311 508
January to July 2016 (Revised)	R 78 889 495 048	R 18 871 747 975	R 60 017 747 073
R Increase/Decrease	R -5 423 663 072	R 1 909 772 493	
% Growth	-6.9%	10.1%	

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	July 2017	June 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	July 2017	June 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
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AFRICA	25 204.1	30 103.2	-16.3%	-15.8	7 797.5	7 685.1	1.5%	1.1
AMERICA	8 698.6	9 091.2	-4.3%	27.3	9 579.8	11 308.4	-15.3%	-2.3
ASIA	26 937.2	29 189.8	-7.7%	-9.2	36 743.2	40 894.9	-10.2%	-5.9
EUROPE	25 122.6	25 091.7	0.1%	-113.2	29 020.5	30 304.5	-4.2%	-0.5
OCEANIA	1 310.2	1 231.2	6.4%	-12.5	928.9	1 020.3	-9.0%	-0.2
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	5 445.0	6 746.9	-19.3%	-	39.0	245.4	-84.1%	0.0
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	376.7	560.9	-32.9%	-0.1	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>93 094.4</b>	<b>102 015.0</b>	<b>-8.7%</b>	<b>-123.7</b>	<b>84 108.8</b>	<b>91 458.5</b>	<b>-8.0%</b>	<b>-7.7</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 049.8	1 154.9	-9.1%	-1.1	1 806.8	1 709.0	5.7%	-3.1
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	7 533.4	7 625.8	-1.2%	-1.2	1 743.0	1 906.1	-8.6%	-0.2
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	326.3	370.4	-11.9%	-0.2	867.3	740.2	17.2%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 911.3	4 221.1	-7.3%	-5.1	2 515.5	2 483.1	1.3%	-0.2
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	19 670.5	20 773.9	-5.3%	46.4	8 668.9	11 914.8	-27.2%	-0.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 809.9	6 105.3	-4.8%	19.6	10 030.6	9 432.6	6.3%	2.5
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 951.2	2 062.2	-5.4%	-6.4	3 783.7	3 925.9	-3.6%	-0.2
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).	322.5	387.8	-16.8%	0.0	303.3	309.1	-1.9%	0.1
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.	506.9	725.7	-30.1%	-0.1	410.4	418.5	-1.9%	0.2
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.	1 382.1	1 669.7	-17.2%	-28.2	1 280.5	1 159.4	10.4%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 043.6	1 346.7	-22.5%	-0.8	3 230.0	3 161.7	2.2%	-0.6
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.	220.2	216.7	1.6%	-0.1	1 088.6	1 108.2	-1.8%	-0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	461.8	485.5	-4.9%	-0.7	1 036.4	1 073.5	-3.5%	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.	14 810.9	18 636.0	-20.5%	-0.0	973.2	1 049.3	-7.3%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 700.5	12 121.2	-11.7%	-137.8	4 272.4	5 180.1	-17.5%	-1.0
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.	7 703.6	8 121.3	-5.1%	-0.8	20 254.8	21 246.3	-4.7%	-5.2
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	13 931.6	13 999.9	-0.5%	-6.9	10 432.9	11 784.8	-11.5%	0.6
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	575.1	608.0	-5.4%	-1.0	2 527.4	2 370.4	6.6%	0.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	697.7	733.5	-4.9%	1.0	1 469.1	1 696.3	-13.4%	-0.1
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	53.4	61.4	-13.1%	-	65.5	28.4	130.6%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	431.8	587.3	-26.5%	-0.1	117.2	71.4	64.2%	-0.0
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.4	0.6	-43.6%	-	7 231.3	8 689.4	-16.8%	-1.0
<b>Total</b>		<b>93 094.4</b>	<b>102 015.0</b>	<b>-8.7%</b>	<b>-123.7</b>	<b>84 108.8</b>	<b>91 458.5</b>	<b>-8.0%</b>	<b>-7.7</b>

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	January to July 2017	January to July 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to July 2017	January to July 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	175 013.9	176 654.9	-0.9%	66 220.2	69 492.4	-4.7%
AMERICA	57 722.6	61 441.8	-6.1%	68 611.2	74 020.5	-7.3%
ASIA	204 061.6	188 431.0	8.3%	273 466.6	271 153.5	0.9%
EUROPE	166 059.6	159 147.6	4.3%	203 285.7	211 113.5	-3.7%
OCEANIA	7 877.5	7 697.0	2.3%	7 829.3	7 730.3	1.3%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	41 251.7	33 166.7	24.4%	1 299.6	847.0	53.4%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	5 354.4	3 114.9	71.9%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>657 341.4</b>	<b>629 654.0</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>620 712.6</b>	<b>634 357.1</b>	<b>-2.2%</b>

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	8 409.9	8 683.7	-3.2%	11 293.3	9 690.1	16.5%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	38 820.3	37 373.6	3.9%	13 501.7	19 893.9	-32.1%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 120.8	2 167.2	-2.1%	5 771.6	5 247.9	10.0%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	25 642.1	27 542.1	-6.9%	19 402.9	18 757.9	3.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	158 788.8	118 965.4	33.5%	94 754.7	82 960.0	14.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	40 849.7	38 505.8	6.1%	65 900.0	65 007.1	1.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	13 067.9	13 458.9	-2.9%	27 061.3	27 701.2	-2.3%
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).	2 569.8	2 841.3	-9.6%	2 123.3	2 407.1	-11.8%
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.	3 977.6	3 970.2	0.2%	2 966.1	3 226.0	-8.1%
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.	12 288.0	12 654.0	-2.9%	8 574.5	10 017.4	-14.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	9 135.3	8 933.0	2.3%	23 123.7	25 546.4	-9.5%
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.	1 522.0	1 495.1	1.8%	7 320.4	8 536.7	-14.2%
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XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	109 644.0	106 900.9	2.6%	7 087.5	6 237.1	13.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	80 407.5	79 416.4	1.2%	34 413.0	35 689.5	-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.	52 770.9	61 355.2	-14.0%	142 406.5	158 424.5	-10.1%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	79 285.5	86 267.0	-8.1%	66 747.2	60 887.6	9.6%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	4 361.1	5 139.1	-15.1%	17 145.8	18 418.9	-6.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	4 416.1	4 753.8	-7.1%	10 233.6	10 976.3	-6.8%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	806.6	629.2	28.2%	478.1	266.6	79.3%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5 408.0	5 028.3	7.6%	786.0	958.0	-18.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	2.7	4.5	-38.6%	52 512.8	55 293.5	-5.0%
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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	7 036.7	7 134.0	-1.4%	-1.2	1 701.2	1 870.8	-9.1%	-0.2
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	236.4	261.4	-9.6%	-0.2	856.8	736.7	16.3%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 847.0	3 073.1	-7.4%	-5.0	2 118.5	2 088.4	1.4%	-0.2
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	18 032.7	19 302.3	-6.6%	49.1	8 607.5	11 853.9	-27.4%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 880.9	5 080.8	-3.9%	19.6	9 488.8	9 139.2	3.8%	2.6
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 517.0	1 590.4	-4.6%	-6.4	3 748.8	3 888.3	-3.6%	-0.2
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).	276.7	350.6	-21.1%	0.0	289.6	291.5	-0.7%	0.1
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.	350.6	575.7	-39.1%	-0.1	277.5	298.0	-6.9%	0.2
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.	1 162.2	1 458.3	-20.3%	-27.8	1 255.7	1 145.3	9.6%	0.0
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XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	319.8	345.5	-7.4%	-0.2	1 027.1	1 062.1	-3.3%	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.	14 800.1	16 337.4	-9.4%	-	376.3	576.7	-34.7%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9 935.4	9 588.3	3.6%	-137.5	4 197.9	5 097.8	-17.7%	-1.0
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.	6 225.8	6 558.9	-5.1%	-0.4	19 929.5	20 836.1	-4.4%	-4.1
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	12 827.9	12 842.3	-0.1%	-6.7	10 406.1	11 686.5	-11.0%	-0.0
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	423.0	447.8	-5.5%	-0.0	2 523.3	2 366.1	6.6%	0.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	389.1	432.7	-10.1%	1.0	1 421.5	1 651.3	-13.9%	-0.1
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	52.6	61.0	-13.7%	-	64.0	28.4	125.3%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	423.7	581.1	-27.1%	-0.1	112.4	68.2	64.8%	-0.0
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ASIA	204 061.6	188 431.0	8.3%	273 466.6	271 153.5	0.9%	
EUROPE	166 059.6	159 147.6	4.3%	203 285.7	211 113.5	-3.7%	
OCEANIA	7 877.5	7 697.0	2.3%	7 829.3	7 730.3	1.3%	
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	41 251.7	33 166.7	24.4%	1 299.6	847.0	53.4%	
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	5 354.4	3 114.9	71.9%	-	-	0.0%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>583 875.6</b>	<b>550 764.5</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>599 931.0</b>	<b>615 485.4</b>	<b>-2.5%</b>	

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to July 2017	January to July 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to July 2017	January to July 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	6 302.8	6 687.0	-5.7%	8 832.3	7 834.2	12.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	34 916.4	33 102.1	5.5%	13 277.2	19 493.8	-31.9%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 403.7	1 463.9	-4.1%	5 748.1	5 218.6	10.1%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	17 999.7	20 262.2	-11.2%	16 498.7	15 781.4	4.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	148 378.7	106 552.9	39.3%	94 322.3	82 600.2	14.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	34 485.7	31 914.3	8.1%	62 099.3	61 514.3	1.0%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	10 027.6	10 213.8	-1.8%	26 814.4	27 448.2	-2.3%
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).	2 307.3	2 498.1	-7.6%	2 019.1	2 238.4	-9.8%
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.	2 970.0	2 910.1	2.1%	2 170.0	2 442.1	-11.1%
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.	10 641.7	11 029.5	-3.5%	8 432.4	9 874.3	-14.6%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	5 523.1	5 373.6	2.8%	20 103.5	22 741.3	-11.6%
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.	489.3	474.6	3.1%	7 238.4	8 431.4	-14.1%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	2 102.1	2 528.1	-16.9%	7 046.0	8 135.8	-13.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	106 135.8	102 313.3	3.7%	3 819.8	4 067.1	-6.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	73 808.0	74 182.8	-0.5%	33 916.8	35 156.1	-3.5%
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.	42 399.5	49 801.6	-14.9%	140 354.1	156 388.0	-10.3%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	71 916.4	76 947.6	-6.5%	66 437.4	60 497.6	9.8%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	3 401.6	4 065.9	-16.3%	17 109.5	18 379.0	-6.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 496.1	2 824.1	-11.6%	9 945.2	10 752.2	-7.5%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	802.8	624.2	28.6%	476.4	266.2	79.0%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5 365.2	4 990.2	7.5%	757.1	931.6	-18.7%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	2.2	4.5	-51.5%	52 512.8	55 293.5	-5.0%
<b>Total</b>		<b>583 875.6</b>	<b>550 764.5</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>599 931.0</b>	<b>615 485.4</b>	<b>-2.5%</b>

# Preliminary BLNS 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

World Zone	July 2017 / June 2017 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	July 2017	June 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	July 2017	June 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	10 006.2	14 225.7	-29.7%	-5.8	3 300.7	3 008.5	9.7%	-1.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 006.2</b>	<b>14 225.7</b>	<b>-29.7%</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>3 300.7</b>	<b>3 008.5</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>-1.0</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		July 2017	June 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	July 2017	June 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	296.1	300.4	-1.4%	0.1	466.2	435.0	7.2%	0.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	496.6	491.8	1.0%	-	41.9	35.3	18.4%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	89.8	108.9	-17.6%	-	10.4	3.6	194.0%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 064.3	1 148.0	-7.3%	-0.2	397.0	394.7	0.6%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 637.8	1 471.7	11.3%	-2.8	61.4	60.9	0.7%	-0.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	929.0	1 024.5	-9.3%	0.0	541.8	293.4	84.7%	-0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	434.2	471.8	-8.0%	-0.1	34.9	37.5	-6.9%	-
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).	45.9	37.2	23.3%	-	13.7	17.6	-22.0%	-
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.	156.4	150.0	4.2%	-0.0	133.0	120.5	10.4%	-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.	219.9	211.4	4.0%	-0.5	24.8	14.1	75.8%	-
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	514.0	508.3	1.1%	0.0	471.9	455.7	3.6%	-
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.	153.2	142.6	7.5%	-0.0	13.0	13.1	-0.6%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	142.0	140.0	1.5%	-0.6	9.3	11.4	-18.7%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	10.8	2 298.6	-99.5%	-0.0	596.8	472.6	26.3%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	765.1	2 532.9	-69.8%	-0.4	74.5	82.3	-9.5%	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.	1 477.8	1 562.5	-5.4%	-0.4	325.3	410.1	-20.7%	-1.0
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 103.8	1 157.6	-4.7%	-0.2	26.8	98.3	-72.7%	0.6
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	152.1	160.2	-5.0%	-0.9	4.1	4.3	-5.9%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	308.6	300.9	2.6%	0.0	47.6	45.0	5.8%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.8	0.4	80.5%	-	1.5	0.0	18234.7%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	8.1	6.2	30.9%	-	4.8	3.2	49.8%	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>10 006.2</b>	<b>14 225.7</b>	<b>-29.7%</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>3 300.7</b>	<b>3 008.5</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>-1.0</b>

# Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement

<b>METHODOLOGY</b> CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR	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.
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## WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January to July 2017 / January to July 2016					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to July 2017	January to July 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to July 2017	January to July 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	73 465.8	78 889.5	-6.9%	20 781.5	18 871.7	10.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>73 465.8</b>	<b>78 889.5</b>	<b>-6.9%</b>	<b>20 781.5</b>	<b>18 871.7</b>	<b>10.1%</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to July 2017	January to July 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to July 2017	January to July 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 107.1	1 996.7	5.5%	2 461.1	1 855.9	32.6%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 904.0	4 271.4	-8.6%	224.5	400.0	-43.9%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	717.1	703.3	2.0%	23.5	29.3	-19.7%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	7 642.4	7 279.9	5.0%	2 904.1	2 976.6	-2.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	10 410.1	12 412.5	-16.1%	432.3	359.8	20.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	6 364.1	6 591.4	-3.4%	3 800.6	3 492.8	8.8%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3 040.3	3 245.2	-6.3%	246.9	253.1	-2.4%
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 silkworm-gut).	262.5	343.2	-23.5%	104.2	168.7	-38.2%
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.	1 007.6	1 060.1	-5.0%	796.0	783.9	1.5%
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.	1 646.3	1 624.5	1.3%	142.0	143.1	-0.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	3 612.2	3 559.3	1.5%	3 020.3	2 805.1	7.7%
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.	1 032.6	1 020.5	1.2%	81.9	105.3	-22.2%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	944.6	1 041.4	-9.3%	62.6	77.5	-19.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	3 508.2	4 587.6	-23.5%	3 267.7	2 170.0	50.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	6 599.4	5 233.6	26.1%	496.2	533.4	-7.0%
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.	10 371.4	11 553.6	-10.2%	2 052.4	2 036.5	0.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	7 369.1	9 319.4	-20.9%	309.8	390.0	-20.6%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	959.5	1 073.2	-10.6%	36.3	39.9	-9.1%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 920.0	1 929.7	-0.5%	288.4	224.0	28.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	3.8	4.9	-22.6%	1.7	0.4	279.7%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	42.9	38.0	12.7%	28.9	26.4	9.4%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.6	-		-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>		<b>73 465.8</b>	<b>78 889.5</b>	<b>-6.9%</b>	<b>20 781.5</b>	<b>18 871.7</b>	<b>10.1%</b>