# **SA Preliminary Trade Statistics for April 2023 (Including BELN)**

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2023 (Preliminary)	R 163 818 106 052	R 160 277 825 649	R 3 540 280 403
March 2023 (Revised)	R 191 681 984 250	R 185 381 938 869	R 6 300 045 381
R Increase/Decrease	R -27 863 878 198	R -25 104 113 220	
% Growth	-14.5%	-13.5%	

### **CUMULATIVE FIGURE**

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2023 (Preliminary)	R 645 089 277 517	R 648 599 711 367	R -3 510 433 850
January to April 2022 (Revised)	R 612 920 592 303	R 534 913 544 257	R 78 007 048 046
R Increase/Decrease	R 32 168 685 214	R 113 686 167 110	

### **COMMENTS**

% Growth

5.2%

21.3%

# Month on month increase/decrease

### **EXPORTS**

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by	R 1 624 million (-14%)
Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 1893 million (-4%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones decreased by	R 12 824 million (-30%)
Section 15:	Base metals decreased by	R 3 182 million (-14%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics decreased by	R 3 053 million (-22%)
	<u>IMPORTS</u>	
Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 15 995 million (-34%)
Section 6:	Chemical products decreased by	R 1 939 million (-12%)
Section 10:	Wood pulp & paper decreased by	R 1 634 million (-30%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics increased by	R 2 276 million (6%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments decreased by	R 4 771 million (-25%)

# **Preliminary International Trade (Excluding BELN)**

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2023 (Preliminary)	R 149 895 922 956	R 155 488 824 196	R -5 592 901 240
March 2023 (Revised)	R 174 179 291 664	R 180 078 915 824	R -5 899 624 160
R Increase/Decrease	R -24 283 368 708	R -24 590 091 628	
% Growth	-13.9%	-13.7%	

### **CUMULATIVE FIGURE**

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2023 (Preliminary)	R 586 510 614 785	R 628 102 525 713	R -41 591 910 928
January to April 2022 (Revised)	R 558 611 690 397	R 516 846 202 883	R 41 765 487 514
R Increase/Decrease	R 27 898 924 388	R 111 256 322 830	
% Growth	5.0%	21.5%	

### **BELN**

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2023 (Preliminary)	R 13 922 183 096	R 4 789 001 453	R 9 133 181 643
March 2023 (Revised)	R 17 502 692 586	R 5 303 023 045	R 12 199 669 541
R Increase/Decrease	R -3 580 509 490	R -514 021 592	
% Growth	-20.5%	-9.7%	

### **CUMULATIVE FIGURE**

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2023 (Preliminary)	R 58 578 662 732	R 20 497 185 654	R 38 081 477 078
January to April 2022 (Revised)	R 54 308 901 906	R 18 067 341 374	R 36 241 560 532
R Increase/Decrease	R 4 269 760 826	R 2 429 844 280	
% Growth	7.9%	13.4%	

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#### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:		March Revision 2023 / April 2023								
World Zone	EXPORTS IMPORTS									
	March 2023	April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	March 2023	April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision		
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm		
AFRICA	46 695.0	40 423.9	-13.4%	-56.7	21 402.3	14 216.6	-33.6%	-3.7		
AMERICA	17 677.5	16 342.1	-7.6%	-145.5	19 309.4	19 763.0	2.3%	1.5		
ASIA	60 558.9	53 266.4	-12.0%	184.9	91 504.5	82 302.3	-10.1%	17.6		
EUROPE	48 734.2	40 965.1	-15.9%	-354.5	50 381.6	41 633.5	-17.4%	67.8		
OCEANIA	2 063.9	2 116.2	2.5%	-136.7	2 157.3	1 920.5	-11.0%	0.1		
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	14 855.1	10 227.2	-31.2%	-0.9	626.8	441.9	-29.5%	-0.0		
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	1 097.3	477.2	-56.5%	-	-	-	0.0%	-		
Total	191 682.0	163 818.1	-14.5%	-509.3	185 381.9	160 277.8	-13.5%	83.3		

			EXPOR	TS			IMPORTS		
Section (Chapter)	Description	March 2023	April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	March 2023	April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm	Decircuse	Rm	Rm	Rm	Decircuse	Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 861.5	1 758.2	-5.5%	-0.1	1 978.7	1 805.3	-8.8%	1.
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	11 317.9	9 693.8	-14.4%	-3.7	2 623.2	3 454.7	31.7%	0.9
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	693.0	630.4	-9.0%	-2.7	1 231.4	1 333.1	8.3%	-0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	6 916.4	6 108.1	-11.7%	1.3	5 112.1	4 281.6	-16.2%	-4.5
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	47 804.6	45 912.0	-4.0%	-562.4	46 417.0	30 422.3	-34.5%	5.1
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	11 041.5	9 528.4	-13.7%	-80.5	16 799.1	14 860.3	-11.5%	4.4
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3 326.1	2 653.0	-20.2%	-27.1	6 330.0	6 216.4	-1.8%	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).	423.2	390.7	-7.7%	0.0	319.2	338.8	6.1%	-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.	982.0	788.2	-19.7%	-0.3	619.5	549.1	-11.4%	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.	3 183.1	2 221.0	-30.2%	159.0	5 491.3	3 857.7	-29.7%	-0.2
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 524.6	1 939.5	-23.2%	0.9	4 842.5	4 305.1	-11.1%	-1.6
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.	386.8	358.7	-7.3%	-0.1	1 104.8	1 195.9	8.2%	0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	685.6	650.6	-5.1%	-0.2	1 581.6	1 403.4	-11.3%	0.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	42 505.9	29 682.2	-30.2%	0.0	2 398.0	2 063.9	-13.9%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	22 250.3	19 067.9	-14.3%	48.5	9 210.2	8 707.0	-5.5%	0.2
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	14 189.7	11 136.2	-21.5%	15.4	41 114.6	43 390.9	5.5%	66.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	19 117.5	19 196.6	0.4%	-57.1	18 808.8	14 037.5	-25.4%	-3.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 154.0	878.1	-23.9%	-0.1	3 837.4	3 618.7	-5.7%	2.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	982.4	786.1	-20.0%	-0.2	1 805.2	1 615.2	-10.5%	-0.4
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	128.0	112.6	-12.0%	-	70.2	38.8	-44.7%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	207.7	325.6	56.8%	-	162.1	136.9		0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.3	0.2	-24.6%	-0.1	13 525.1	12 645.4		9.4
Total		191 682.0	163 818.1	-14.5%	-509.3	185 381.9	160 277.8	-13.5%	83.3

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### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	January to April 2022 / January to April 2023								
		EXPORTS		IMPORTS					
World Zone	January to April 2022	January to April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2022	January to April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease			
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm				
AFRICA	145 468.2	163 187.1	12.2%	58 156.4	61 965.6	6.6%			
AMERICA	61 891.0	63 116.5	2.0%	58 997.2	71 391.4	21.0%			
ASIA	196 523.4	208 529.8	6.1%	272 535.6	330 864.6	21.4%			
EUROPE	174 398.6	160 007.5	-8.3%	133 959.8	173 173.1	29.3%			
OCEANIA	5 094.3	6 272.5	23.1%	8 299.9	7 524.4	-9.3%			
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	26 018.4	40 776.9	56.7%	2 964.6	3 680.6	24.1%			
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	3 526.8	3 199.0	-9.3%	-	-	0.0%			
Total	612 920.6	645 089.3	5.2%	534 913.5	648 599.7	21.3%			

			EXPORTS			IMPORTS	
Section(chapter)	Description	January to April 2022	January to April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2022	January to April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	5 715.6		14.6%	7 161.8		8.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	32 704.9		16.2%	10 690.4	11 834.7	10.7%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	3 150.2		-30.2%	7 013.2		-45.4%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	18 717.2	22 805.7	21.8%	13 498.8	18 217.3	35.0%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	167 647.4	178 008.4	6.2%	110 838.0	138 390.5	24.9%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	37 071.0	38 537.7	4.0%	60 153.7	63 127.4	4.9%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	9 974.8	11 407.7	14.4%	22 458.4	23 287.7	3.7%
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).	1 296.2	1 370.7	5.8%	1 206.3	1 444.0	19.7%
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.	2 922.8	3 170.5	8.5%	2 431.2	2 359.3	-3.0%
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.	7 442.2	11 540.5	55.1%	18 702.1	17 598.8	-5.9%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	6 437.6	8 008.0	24.4%	19 000.5	19 811.9	4.3%
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.	1 024.7	1 269.5	23.9%	5 105.1	5 564.5	9.0%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	2 128.3	2 489.9	17.0%	5 198.2	5 574.2	7.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	144 558.5	125 579.6	-13.1%	8 424.1	9 522.4	13.0%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	63 269.8	75 962.3	20.1%	31 464.2	32 450.8	3.1%
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.	41 976.3		9.3%	112 503.9		36.2%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	59 004.9	64 350.5	9.1%	39 969.2	62 245.8	55.7%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	3 147.3	3 431.9	9.0%	11 964.8	13 804.8	15.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 630.8	2 940.4	11.8%	6 475.0	6 491.2	0.2%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	292.2	442.1	51.3%	156.9	446.4	184.6%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 803.6	1 121.7	-37.8%	644.3	491.8	-23.7%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	4.3		-62.9%	39 853.4		28.2%
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l (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 514.3	1 436.9	-5.1%	-0.1	1 540.6	1 401.3	-9.0%	0.1
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	10 216.9	8 727.6	-14.6%	-3.9	2 537.6	3 370.4	32.8%	0.9
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	520.3	452.6	-13.0%	-2.7	1 230.4	1 332.4	8.3%	-0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	5 194.2	4 474.5	-13.9%	1.3	4 462.1	3 702.3	-17.0%	-4.7
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	44 276.4	43 282.2	-2.2%	-559.2	46 147.9	30 157.0	-34.7%	5.1
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VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 578.2	2 024.4	-21.5%	-27.1	6 251.9	6 157.0	-1.5%	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).	371.1	347.4	-6.4%	0.0	310.3	331.3	6.8%	-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.	788.2	622.7	-21.0%	-0.2	392.5	343.6	-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.	2 737.4	1 940.7	-29.1%	159.1	5 467.0	3 822.2	-30.1%	-0.2
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 701.5	1 207.4	-29.0%	0.9	4 112.0	3 769.9	-8.3%	-1.6
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.	161.4	180.0	11.5%	-0.1	1 082.5	1 180.1	9.0%	0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	493.8	476.4	-3.5%	-0.2	1 572.4	1 393.3	-11.4%	0.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	41 755.9	29 676.2	-28.9%	-	1 163.8	754.7	-35.2%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	21 165.5	18 128.1	-14.4%	48.8	9 131.4	8 640.7	-5.4%	0.1
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.	11 814.5	9 205.9	-22.1%	15.3	40 549.8	42 927.2	5.9%	67.1
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	17 440.9	17 870.9	2.5%	-57.1	18 743.0	13 900.5	-25.8%	-3.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	945.1	712.3	-24.6%	0.0	3 823.8	3 612.4	-5.5%	2.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	619.5	464.1	-25.1%	-0.2	1 793.5	1 606.1	-10.4%	-0.4
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	126.4	112.2	-11.2%	-	70.1	38.7	-44.8%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	202.3	320.0	58.2%	-	159.7	135.7	-15.1%	0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.3	0.2	-24.2%	-0.1	13 525.1	12 645.4	-6.5%	9.4
Total		174 179.3	149 895.9	-13.9%	-506.0	180 078.9	155 488.8	-13.7%	81.4

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	4 443.8	5 291.1	19.1%	5 505.7	6 141.8	11.6%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	29 099.6	33 952.4	16.7%	10 508.5	11 521.4	9.6%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their	2 307.3		-32.6%	7 005.3	3 826.8	-45.4%
( - )	cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.						
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	12 627.2	16 045.5	27.1%	11 322.8	15 704.0	38.7%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	158 875.0	167 172.3	5.2%	110 413.4	137 422.8	24.5%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	32 066.9	33 124.9	3.3%	57 267.8	59 826.9	4.5%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	7 536.3	8 844.7	17.4%	22 259.4	23 025.9	3.4%
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).	1 131.9	1 185.4	4.7%	1 171.6	1 414.7	20.8%
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.	2 182.4	2 475.1	13.4%	1 670.3	1 544.7	-7.5%
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.	6 315.7	10 112.0	60.1%	18 596.3	17 457.1	-6.1%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	3 729.6	5 128.8	37.5%	16 574.5	17 242.5	4.0%
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.	371.4	528.2	42.2%	5 059.9	5 493.8	8.6%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 492.5	1 806.8	21.1%	5 157.0	5 531.1	7.3%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	142 291.9	124 466.0	-12.5%	4 123.2	4 405.7	6.9%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	59 424.9	72 336.5	21.7%	31 077.8	32 149.6	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.	34 359.5	37 718.8	9.8%	110 770.0	151 227.7	36.5%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	54 458.5	58 796.7	8.0%	39 379.2	61 927.0	57.3%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	2 457.5	2 684.9	9.3%	11 918.1	13 763.9	15.5%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 366.4	1 744.6	27.7%	6 420.2	6 454.5	0.5%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	289.4	439.3	51.8%	156.5	446.2	185.1%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 783.3	1 100.7	-38.3%	635.2	483.5	-23.9%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.5		189.9%	39 853.4	51 091.0	28.2%
Total		558 611.7	586 510.6	5.0%	516 846.2	628 102.5	21.5%

## **Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement**

METHODOLOGY

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.

### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	March Revision 2023 / April 2023										
World Zone		EXPORTS		IMPORTS							
	March 2023	March 2023 April 2023 Percentage Revis			March 2023	April 2023	Percentage	Revision			
			Increase/				Increase/				
			Decrease				Decrease				
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm			
AFRICA	17 502.7	13 922.2	-20.5%	-3.4	5 303.0	4 789.0	-9.7%	1.9			
Total	17 502.7	13 922.2	-20.5%	-3.4	5 303.0	4 789.0	-9.7%	1.9			

			EXPOR	TS			IMPORTS		
Section (Chapter)	Description	March 2023	April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	March 2023	April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
l (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	347.1	321.3	-7.4%	-	438.1	403.9	-7.8%	1.
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	1 101.0	966.1	-12.2%	0.3	85.7	84.3	-1.6%	
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or	172.7	177.9	3.0%	-	1.0	0.7	-29.1%	
	vegetable waxes.								
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 722.1	1 633.6	-5.1%	-0.0	650.0	579.3	-10.9%	0.
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	3 528.2	2 629.9	-25.5%	-3.2	269.1	265.3	-1.4%	0.
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 486.5	1 295.3	-12.9%	0.0	787.4	593.7	-24.6%	
	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles	747.9	628.5	-16.0%	0.0	78.1	59.4	-24.0%	-0.
	thereof.				0.0				-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).	52.1	43.2	-16.9%	-	8.9	7.5	-15.4%	
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.	193.8	165.4	-14.6%	-0.0	227.1	205.5	-9.5%	
	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	445.8	280.3	-37.1%	-0.1	24.4	35.6	45.8%	
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	823.1	732.1	-11.1%	0.1	730.5	535.2	-26.7%	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.	225.4	178.6	-20.7%	0.0	22.3	15.8	-29.4%	-0.
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	191.7	174.2	-9.2%	-0.0	9.2	10.1	10.5%	
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	750.0	5.9	-99.2%	0.0	1 234.2	1 309.2	6.1%	
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	1 084.8	939.8	-13.4%	-0.3	78.8	66.2	-16.0%	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.	2 375.2	1 930.3	-18.7%	0.1	564.7	463.7	-17.9%	-0.
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 676.6	1 325.7	-20.9%	-0.0	65.8	136.9	108.0%	-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.	208.8	165.9	-20.6%	-0.1	13.6	6.2	-54.1%	
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	362.8	322.0	-11.2%	-0.0	11.7	9.1	-22.3%	-0.
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	1.6	0.4	-74.8%	-	0.0	0.1	117.2%	
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.4	5.6	3.2%	-	2.4	1.2	-49.4%	
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.0	-98.9%	-	-	-	0.0%	
Total		17 502.7	13 922.2	-20.5%	-3.4	5 303.0	4 789.0	-9.7%	1.

## **Preliminary BELN Cumulative Statement**

### METHODOLOGY

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.

### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	January to April 2022 / January to April 2023								
	E	XPORTS	IMPORTS						
World Zone	January to April 2022	January to April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2022	January to April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease			
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm				
AFRICA	54 308.9	58 578.7	7.9%	18 067.3	20 497.2	13.4%			
Total	54 308.9	58 578.7	7.9%	18 067.3	20 497.2	13.4%			

			EXPORTS			IMPORTS	
Section(chapter)	Description	January to April 2022	January to April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2022	January to April 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 271.8	1 256.4		1 656.1	1 645.8	
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 605.3	4 063.8		181.9	313.2	72.2%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage	842.9	644.7	-23.5%	7.9	3.2	-59.1%
	products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable						
11//46 24\	waxes.	6,000,0	6.760.0	44.00/	2476.0	2542.4	45 50/
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	6 090.0	6 760.2	11.0%	2 176.0	2 513.4	15.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	8 772.4	10 836.0	23.5%	424.6	967.8	127.9%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 004.0	5 412.8	8.2%	2 885.9	3 300.4	14.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 438.5	2 563.0	5.1%	198.9	261.9	31.6%
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).	164.3	185.3	12.8%	34.8	29.2	-15.9%
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.	740.4	695.4	-6.1%	760.9	814.6	7.1%
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.	1 126.5	1 428.5	26.8%	105.8	141.7	33.9%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 708.0	2 879.2	6.3%	2 425.9	2 569.5	5.9%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	653.4	741.3	13.5%	45.2	70.7	56.5%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	635.7	683.1	7.5%	41.2	43.1	4.8%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	2 266.6	1 113.6	-50.9%	4 300.9	5 116.7	19.0%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	3 844.9	3 625.8	-5.7%	386.4	301.2	-22.0%
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.	7 616.8	8 169.2	7.3%	1 734.0	2 000.0	15.3%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	4 546.4	5 553.7	22.2%	590.0	318.8	-46.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	689.8	747.0	8.3%	46.7	40.9	-12.3%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 264.3	1 195.8	-5.4%	54.8	36.7	-33.1%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	2.8			0.3	0.2	-47.2%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	20.3	21.0	3.3%	9.1	8.3	-8.6%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	3.7	0.0	-100.0%	-	-	0.0%
Total		54 308.9	58 578.7	7.9%	18 067.3	20 497.2	13.4%