

1. SA Preliminary Trade Statistics for March 2023 (Including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2023 (Preliminary)	R 192 191 330 788	R 185 298 640 000	R 6 892 690 788
February 2023 (Revised)	R 151 411 581 622	R 140 703 957 839	R 10 707 623 783

R Increase/Decrease	R 40 779 749 166	R 44 594 682 161
% Growth	26.9%	31.7%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2023 (Preliminary)	R 482 049 106 951	R 488 219 591 405	R -6 170 484 454
January to March 2022 (Revised)	R 460 700 047 014	R 398 847 431 826	R 61 852 615 188

R Increase/Decrease	R 21 349 059 937	R 89 372 159 579
% Growth	4.6%	22.4%

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products increased by	R 2 293 million (25%)
Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 7 805 million (19%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones increased by	R 15 487 million (57%)
Section 15:	Base metals increased by	R 5 523 million (33%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics increased by	R 2 885 million (26%)

IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 19 855 million (75%)
Section 6:	Chemical products increased by	R 2 248 million (15%)
Section 15:	Base metals increased by	R 2 145 million (30%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics increased by	R 9 150 million (29%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments increased by	R 4 360 million (30%)

Preliminary International Trade (Excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2023 (Preliminary)	R 174 685 282 600	R 179 997 501 608	R -5 312 219 008
February 2023 (Revised)	R 136 796 564 062	R 135 637 200 061	R 1 159 364 001
R Increase/Decrease	R 37 888 718 538	R 44 360 301 547	
% Growth	27.7%	32.7%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2023 (Preliminary)	R 437 384 753 120	R 472 512 547 090	R -35 127 793 970
January to March 2022 (Revised)	R 418 873 986 290	R 384 905 172 833	R 33 968 813 457
R Increase/Decrease	R 18 510 766 830	R 87 607 374 257	
% Growth	4.4%	22.8%	

BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2023 (Preliminary)	R 17 506 048 188	R 5 301 138 392	R 12 204 909 796
February 2023 (Revised)	R 14 615 017 560	R 5 066 757 778	R 9 548 259 782
R Increase/Decrease	R 2 891 030 628	R 234 380 614	
% Growth	19.8%	4.6%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2023 (Preliminary)	R 44 664 353 831	R 15 707 044 315	R 28 957 309 516
January to March 2022 (Revised)	R 41 826 060 724	R 13 942 258 993	R 27 883 801 731
R Increase/Decrease	R 2 838 293 107	R 1 764 785 322	
% Growth	6.8%	12.7%	

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

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	February 2023	March 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	February 2023	March 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	40 326.8	46 751.7	15.9%	524.3	9 628.4	21 406.1	122.3%	290.1
AMERICA	15 081.8	17 823.1	18.2%	4.9	15 295.2	19 307.9	26.2%	96.5
ASIA	48 210.5	60 374.0	25.2%	-3 534.9	73 442.9	91 486.9	24.6%	1 762.1
EUROPE	37 945.5	49 088.6	29.4%	5.7	38 366.2	50 313.7	31.1%	435.6
OCEANIA	1 257.4	2 200.6	75.0%	2.4	1 869.0	2 157.1	15.4%	1.2
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	7 958.2	14 856.0	86.7%	0.1	2 102.4	626.8	-70.2%	-42.5
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	631.4	1 097.3	73.8%	114.1	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	151 411.6	192 191.3	26.9%	-2 883.4	140 704.0	185 298.6	31.7%	2 543.1

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		February 2023	March 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	February 2023	March 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 523.1	1 861.5	22.2%	7.8	1 881.0	1 976.9	5.1%	28.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	9 028.8	11 321.6	25.4%	35.3	2 645.1	2 622.4	-0.9%	10.6
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	455.9	695.7	52.6%	7.6	924.8	1 231.4	33.2%	1.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	5 452.8	6 915.1	26.8%	125.4	4 257.1	5 116.4	20.2%	35.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	40 562.4	48 367.0	19.2%	-3 716.0	26 557.3	46 411.9	74.8%	1 679.8
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	9 364.6	11 122.0	18.8%	66.3	14 546.5	16 794.7	15.5%	80.2
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3 116.8	3 353.2	7.6%	4.4	4 841.7	6 327.5	30.7%	27.3
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).	330.8	423.2	27.9%	1.9	360.5	319.2	-11.4%	4.5
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.	700.0	982.3	40.3%	6.0	507.8	619.5	22.0%	21.6
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.	3 412.7	3 024.1	-11.4%	240.4	3 802.5	5 491.6	44.4%	8.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 241.4	2 523.6	12.6%	36.9	4 949.8	4 844.1	-2.1%	68.3
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.	330.0	386.9	17.3%	10.1	1 380.1	1 104.8	-20.0%	24.2
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	642.0	685.8	6.8%	8.1	1 123.4	1 581.5	40.8%	-0.3
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	27 018.9	42 505.9	57.3%	0.3	2 392.5	2 398.0	0.2%	99.2
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	16 679.0	22 201.8	33.1%	70.9	7 064.7	9 210.0	30.4%	48.2
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.	11 288.9	14 174.4	25.6%	63.0	31 897.6	41 047.7	28.7%	282.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	17 397.8	19 174.6	10.2%	124.5	14 452.4	18 812.2	30.2%	62.5
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	772.4	1 154.1	49.4%	3.1	3 225.7	3 835.4	18.9%	42.1
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	705.4	982.6	39.3%	18.3	1 360.7	1 805.5	32.7%	5.0
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	128.6	128.0	-0.5%	0.1	32.7	70.2	114.7%	0.5
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	258.6	207.7	-19.7%	2.4	92.4	162.0	75.4%	0.2
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components.	0.8	0.4	-50.1%	-	12 407.7	13 515.6	8.9%	14.0
Total		151 411.6	192 191.3	26.9%	-2 883.4	140 704.0	185 298.6	31.7%	2 543.1

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World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	108 806.7	122 842.4	12.9%	44 068.8	47 751.9	8.4%
AMERICA	45 494.2	46 929.0	3.2%	45 382.8	51 600.3	13.7%
ASIA	151 722.4	155 241.6	2.3%	201 750.7	248 547.6	23.2%
EUROPE	129 190.1	119 470.7	-7.5%	99 959.5	131 477.7	31.5%
OCEANIA	3 697.4	4 292.8	16.1%	5 460.9	5 603.7	2.6%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	19 567.3	30 550.7	56.1%	2 224.7	3 238.5	45.6%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	2 221.9	2 721.9	22.5%	-	-	0.0%
Total	460 700.0	482 049.1	4.6%	398 847.4	488 219.6	22.4%

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	4 333.5	4 789.3	10.5%	5 476.4	5 980.1	9.2%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	24 918.6	28 334.0	13.7%	7 590.8	8 379.1	10.4%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 029.1	1 571.3	-22.6%	5 686.4	2 497.0	-56.1%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	13 881.8	16 695.6	20.3%	10 025.6	13 941.4	39.1%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	127 459.9	132 857.4	4.2%	79 072.5	107 963.2	36.5%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	28 170.0	29 092.9	3.3%	43 723.5	48 253.6	10.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	7 667.4	8 780.8	14.5%	16 479.5	17 069.1	3.6%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	1 014.3	980.1	-3.4%	959.2	1 105.2	15.2%
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.	2 223.3	2 383.4	7.2%	1 892.9	1 810.3	-4.4%
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.	5 520.8	9 210.2	66.8%	14 961.6	13 746.2	-8.1%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4 946.8	6 067.6	22.7%	14 766.4	15 509.3	5.0%
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.	758.0	911.0	20.2%	4 053.0	4 368.6	7.8%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 587.0	1 839.8	15.9%	3 822.9	4 170.9	9.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	105 883.6	95 897.4	-9.4%	6 257.6	7 458.6	19.2%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	48 520.7	56 848.9	17.2%	23 624.2	23 744.0	0.5%
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.	31 469.4	34 740.6	10.4%	85 243.1	109 742.1	28.7%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	44 261.9	45 214.1	2.2%	30 557.3	48 219.1	57.8%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	2 249.4	2 553.2	13.5%	9 188.3	10 182.7	10.8%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 000.8	2 154.5	7.7%	4 988.6	4 877.0	-2.2%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	210.8	329.5	56.3%	144.2	407.6	182.6%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 590.6	796.1	-50.0%	501.8	354.9	-29.3%
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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 234.9	1 514.4	22.6%	-0.1	1 475.9	1 540.5	4.4%	2.8
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	8 064.7	10 220.9	26.7%	-1.3	2 575.2	2 536.7	-1.5%	8.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	306.5	523.0	70.6%	-1.4	924.0	1 230.4	33.2%	1.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 590.5	5 192.9	44.6%	9.3	3 588.3	4 466.9	24.5%	21.8
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	38 163.8	44 835.6	17.5%	-3 772.4	26 336.3	46 142.8	75.2%	1 662.7
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	7 986.4	9 635.5	20.6%	-2.7	13 670.5	16 007.3	17.1%	82.5
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 463.8	2 605.3	5.7%	-23.1	4 776.6	6 249.4	30.8%	24.2
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).	288.4	371.1	28.7%	-	354.2	310.3	-12.4%	3.8
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.	526.6	788.5	49.7%	-5.6	325.1	392.5	20.7%	6.1
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.	3 091.2	2 578.3	-16.6%	217.9	3 776.7	5 467.2	44.8%	7.6
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 484.3	1 700.6	14.6%	-0.9	4 251.2	4 113.6	-3.2%	36.0
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.	129.6	161.5	24.7%	-0.9	1 360.1	1 082.4	-20.4%	24.2
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	464.8	494.0	6.3%	-	1 112.4	1 572.3	41.3%	-0.5
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	26 671.7	41 755.9	56.6%	0.2	1 335.1	1 163.8	-12.8%	99.2
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	15 743.0	21 116.7	34.1%	29.2	6 973.6	9 131.3	30.9%	41.8
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	9 109.3	11 799.2	29.5%	-2.6	31 312.2	40 482.7	29.3%	274.0
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	16 132.8	17 498.0	8.5%	89.6	14 390.4	18 746.4	30.3%	61.2
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XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	402.6	619.7	53.9%	1.3	1 351.5	1 793.9	32.7%	5.0
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	128.2	126.4	-1.4%	-	32.7	70.1	114.8%	0.5
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	252.8	202.3	-20.0%	2.3	89.6	159.6	78.2%	0.2
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components.	0.8	0.4	-50.3%	-	12 407.7	13 515.6	8.9%	14.0
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SHIP/AIRCRAFT	2 221.9	2 721.9	22.5%	-	-	0.0%
Total	418 874.0	437 384.8	4.4%	384 905.2	472 512.5	22.8%

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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	22 178.3	25 236.9	13.8%	7 466.6	8 150.2	9.2%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 403.3	1 104.5	-21.3%	5 680.7	2 494.4	-56.1%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	9 272.8	11 569.2	24.8%	8 223.9	12 007.8	46.0%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	121 042.6	124 646.4	3.0%	78 750.8	107 260.7	36.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	24 312.4	24 975.3	2.7%	41 447.7	45 546.9	9.9%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	5 800.1	6 846.2	18.0%	16 334.7	16 866.6	3.3%
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).	885.6	838.0	-5.4%	933.7	1 083.5	16.0%
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.	1 658.7	1 853.5	11.7%	1 315.5	1 201.2	-8.7%
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.	4 662.8	8 061.9	72.9%	14 886.4	13 640.1	-8.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 864.2	3 920.5	36.9%	12 863.0	13 473.9	4.7%
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.	255.4	348.3	36.4%	4 016.2	4 313.7	7.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 115.0	1 331.0	19.4%	3 791.0	4 137.9	9.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	103 621.6	94 789.8	-8.5%	3 015.4	3 651.1	21.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	45 607.6	54 162.6	18.8%	23 344.7	23 509.1	0.7%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	25 554.9	28 500.8	11.5%	83 938.4	108 205.6	28.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	40 694.8	40 983.6	0.7%	30 082.3	48 037.2	59.7%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 725.6	1 972.0	14.3%	9 150.0	10 148.0	10.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 049.8	1 280.7	22.0%	4 943.4	4 849.4	-1.9%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	209.3	327.1	56.3%	144.0	407.5	183.1%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 573.2	780.7	-50.4%	494.2	347.7	-29.6%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components.	0.1	1.4	1864.0%	29 831.4	38 439.7	28.9%
Total		418 874.0	437 384.8	4.4%	384 905.2	472 512.5	22.8%

Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement

<p>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</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	February 2023 Revision / March 2023							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	February 2023	March 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	February 2023	March 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	14 615.0	17 506.0	19.8%	579.0	5 066.8	5 301.1	4.6%	125.6
Total	14 615.0	17 506.0	19.8%	579.0	5 066.8	5 301.1	4.6%	125.6

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		February 2023	March 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	February 2023	March 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	288.2	347.1	20.5%	7.8	405.2	436.5	7.7%	25.2
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	964.1	1 100.7	14.2%	36.6	69.9	85.7	22.5%	2.6
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	149.4	172.7	15.6%	9.0	0.8	1.0	32.0%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 862.3	1 722.2	-7.5%	116.1	668.8	649.6	-2.9%	13.3
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	2 398.6	3 531.4	47.2%	56.4	221.0	269.1	21.8%	17.1
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 378.2	1 486.4	7.9%	68.9	876.0	787.4	-10.1%	-2.3
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	653.0	747.9	14.5%	27.5	65.1	78.1	20.0%	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).	42.3	52.1	23.0%	1.9	6.3	8.9	41.2%	0.7
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.	173.4	193.8	11.8%	11.6	182.7	227.1	24.3%	15.5
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.	321.5	445.9	38.7%	22.5	25.8	24.4	-5.4%	0.4
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	757.1	823.0	8.7%	37.8	698.6	730.5	4.6%	32.3
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.	200.4	225.4	12.5%	10.9	20.0	22.3	11.8%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	177.2	191.7	8.2%	8.1	11.0	9.2	-16.6%	0.2
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	347.2	750.0	116.0%	0.1	1 057.4	1 234.2	16.7%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	936.0	1 085.1	15.9%	41.7	91.0	78.7	-13.5%	6.5
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.	2 179.6	2 375.1	9.0%	65.6	585.4	565.0	-3.5%	8.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 265.1	1 676.6	32.5%	34.8	62.0	65.9	6.3%	1.3
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	212.4	208.9	-1.6%	4.5	7.8	13.6	74.8%	0.7
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	302.8	362.9	19.8%	17.0	9.2	11.7	26.9%	0.0
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.4	1.6	296.7%	0.1	0.0	0.0	19.3%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.7	5.4	-5.3%	0.0	2.8	2.4	-15.0%	0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components.	-	0.0	Infinity	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		14 615.0	17 506.0	19.8%	579.0	5 066.8	5 301.1	4.6%	125.6

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.
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January to March 2022 / January to March 2023					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to March 2022	January to March 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to March 2022	January to March 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	41 826.1	44 664.4	6.8%	13 942.3	15 707.0	12.7%
Total	41 826.1	44 664.4	6.8%	13 942.3	15 707.0	12.7%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to March 2022	January to March 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to March 2022	January to March 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	947.5	935.1	-1.3%	1 225.2	1 239.8	1.2%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	2 740.2	3 097.1	13.0%	124.2	228.9	84.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	625.7	466.8	-25.4%	5.7	2.5	-55.8%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4 609.0	5 126.4	11.2%	1 801.7	1 933.6	7.3%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	6 417.3	8 211.1	28.0%	321.7	702.5	118.4%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	3 857.6	4 117.5	6.7%	2 275.8	2 706.8	18.9%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 867.2	1 934.5	3.6%	144.8	202.5	39.8%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddle and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	128.8	142.1	10.3%	25.5	21.7	-15.0%
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.	564.5	530.0	-6.1%	577.4	609.1	5.5%
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.	858.0	1 148.3	33.8%	75.2	106.1	41.0%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 082.7	2 147.1	3.1%	1 903.4	2 035.3	6.9%
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.	502.7	562.6	11.9%	36.8	54.9	49.1%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	472.0	508.9	7.8%	31.9	33.0	3.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	2 262.0	1 107.6	-51.0%	3 242.1	3 807.5	17.4%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	2 913.1	2 686.3	-7.8%	279.5	234.8	-16.0%
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.	5 914.6	6 239.8	5.5%	1 304.7	1 536.4	17.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	3 567.1	4 230.5	18.6%	475.1	181.9	-61.7%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	523.8	581.2	11.0%	38.3	34.7	-9.3%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	951.0	873.8	-8.1%	45.3	27.6	-39.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	1.5	2.4	60.7%	0.3	0.1	-68.0%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	17.4	15.4	-11.4%	7.6	7.1	-6.7%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components.	2.3	0.0	-99.9%	-	-	0.0%
Total		41 826.1	44 664.4	6.8%	13 942.3	15 707.0	12.7%