

SA Preliminary Trade Statistics for September 2023 (Including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2023 (Preliminary)	R 174 655 976 675	R 161 514 027 836	R 13 141 948 839
August 2023 (Revised)	R 180 525 575 048	R 167 946 918 365	R 12 578 656 683

R Increase/Decrease	R -5 869 598 373	R -6 432 890 529
% Growth	-3.3%	-3.8%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2023 (Preliminary)	R 1 523 597 420 865	R 1 480 555 737 537	R 43 041 683 328
January to September 2022 (Revised)	R 1 512 966 975 545	R 1 333 046 477 211	R 179 920 498 334

R Increase/Decrease	R 10 630 445 320	R 147 509 260 326
% Growth	0.7%	11.1%

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by	R 981 million (-6%)
Section 4:	Prepared foodstuff decreased by	R 843 million (-11%)
Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 4 513 million (-10%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones increased by	R 2 420 million (8%)
Section 15:	Base metals decreased by	R 743 million (-4%)

IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 5 516 million (19%)
Section 7:	Plastics & rubber decreased by	R 779 million (-12%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics decreased by	R 3 342 million (-9%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments decreased by	R 2 942 million (-19%)
Section 23:	Original equipment components decreased by	R 3 165 million (-18%)

Preliminary International Trade (Excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2023 (Preliminary)	R 157 652 475 378	R 156 229 854 126	R 1 422 621 252
August 2023 (Revised)	R 162 797 726 791	R 162 239 487 137	R 558 239 654
R Increase/Decrease	R -5 145 251 413	R -6 009 633 011	
% Growth	-3.2%	-3.7%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2023 (Preliminary)	R 1 382 367 228 896	R 1 433 486 499 968	R -51 119 271 072
January to September 2022 (Revised)	R 1 380 116 500 448	R 1 289 946 891 866	R 90 169 608 582
R Increase/Decrease	R 2 250 728 448	R 143 539 608 102	
% Growth	0.2%	11.1%	

BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2023 (Preliminary)	R 17 003 501 297	R 5 284 173 710	R 11 719 327 587
August 2023 (Revised)	R 17 727 848 257	R 5 707 431 228	R 12 020 417 029
R Increase/Decrease	R -724 346 960	R -423 257 518	
% Growth	-4.1%	-7.4%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2023 (Preliminary)	R 141 230 191 969	R 47 069 237 569	R 94 160 954 400
January to September 2022 (Revised)	R 132 850 475 097	R 43 099 585 345	R 89 750 889 752
R Increase/Decrease	R 8 379 716 872	R 3 969 652 224	
% Growth	6.3%	9.2%	

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	August 2023 Revision / September 2023							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	August 2023	September 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	August 2023	September 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	49 269.7	48 350.5	-1.9%	-37.1	12 162.7	11 399.1	-6.3%	-4.7
AMERICA	14 504.7	16 720.9	15.3%	-303.5	19 413.4	20 193.1	4.0%	-1.3
ASIA	58 289.4	54 868.0	-5.9%	-392.7	84 959.0	85 464.4	0.6%	-39.3
EUROPE	46 008.2	41 523.7	-9.7%	-0.6	48 844.5	41 820.6	-14.4%	9.8
OCEANIA	1 668.6	2 354.1	41.1%	-1.6	1 417.5	2 080.6	46.8%	-0.0
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	9 675.2	10 147.9	4.9%	-	1 149.8	556.3	-51.6%	0.0
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	1 109.9	690.8	-37.8%	0.1	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	180 525.6	174 656.0	-3.3%	-735.5	167 946.9	161 514.0	-3.8%	-35.4

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		August 2023	September 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	August 2023	September 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 675.0	1 767.8	5.5%	-0.9	1 565.9	1 370.9	-12.4%	-0.2
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	15 633.8	14 652.8	-6.3%	-657.4	4 089.9	3 555.4	-13.1%	-1.5
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	564.7	561.9	-0.5%	-1.0	1 205.5	1 715.5	42.3%	0.4
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	7 413.0	6 569.5	-11.4%	6.5	4 782.7	4 332.8	-9.4%	3.7
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	45 343.8	40 831.1	-10.0%	-27.9	28 752.1	34 268.3	19.2%	-6.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	9 795.0	9 755.7	-0.4%	-5.0	17 502.9	17 262.0	-1.4%	-7.6
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3 280.0	2 884.6	-12.1%	-13.1	6 557.5	5 779.0	-11.9%	0.5
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).	378.2	311.9	-17.5%	-0.1	432.0	489.3	13.3%	-1.3
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.	795.3	840.7	5.7%	-0.1	588.1	623.4	6.0%	-0.1
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.	2 663.6	2 768.9	4.0%	-12.5	5 197.0	5 329.9	2.6%	-2.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 644.2	1 670.8	1.6%	-0.5	5 252.8	5 300.3	0.9%	-2.6
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.	350.7	375.1	7.0%	-0.0	1 730.5	1 759.8	1.7%	0.8
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	733.0	619.3	-15.5%	-0.1	1 836.4	1 442.6	-21.4%	-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.	29 076.9	31 496.9	8.3%	8.5	2 761.6	2 021.1	-26.8%	0.7
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	19 376.6	18 633.3	-3.8%	7.1	7 988.6	7 963.0	-0.3%	-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.	13 771.4	13 119.4	-4.7%	-2.4	38 167.3	34 825.1	-8.8%	-21.6
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	25 577.1	25 338.9	-0.9%	-35.9	15 778.6	12 836.9	-18.6%	4.8
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 010.5	936.0	-7.4%	0.0	3 860.3	3 956.1	2.5%	0.8
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 007.9	996.4	-1.1%	-0.7	2 393.9	2 301.3	-3.9%	-2.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	97.9	142.6	45.7%	-	31.4	110.4	251.0%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	335.1	382.4	14.1%	0.0	178.9	143.1	-20.0%	-0.2
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	2.0	0.0	-98.5%	-	17 292.9	14 127.6	-18.3%	-
Total		180 525.6	174 656.0	-3.3%	-735.5	167 946.9	161 514.0	-3.8%	-35.4

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PERIOD:	January to September 2022 / January to September 2023					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to September 2022	January to September 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2022	January to September 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	362 685.6	403 841.4	11.3%	120 197.5	130 013.1	8.2%
AMERICA	151 399.4	143 346.3	-5.3%	142 019.2	169 894.8	19.6%
ASIA	490 556.6	484 766.7	-1.2%	709 187.3	759 840.3	7.1%
EUROPE	422 654.0	380 932.2	-9.9%	335 810.0	397 060.6	18.2%
OCEANIA	11 840.4	15 640.5	32.1%	19 072.3	16 818.5	-11.8%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	64 930.8	86 909.4	33.8%	6 760.3	6 928.4	2.5%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	8 900.0	8 161.0	-8.3%	-	-	0.0%
Total	1 512 967.0	1 523 597.4	0.7%	1 333 046.5	1 480 555.7	11.1%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		January to September 2022	January to September 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2022	January to September 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	13 326.7	15 289.1	14.7%	15 909.5	15 684.3	-1.4%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	92 940.1	108 307.4	16.5%	26 087.1	30 635.4	17.4%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	6 656.2	5 687.8	-14.5%	16 121.0	10 204.6	-36.7%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	49 909.4	58 088.2	16.4%	33 646.1	41 122.8	22.2%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	427 778.2	394 849.3	-7.7%	302 679.9	297 841.7	-1.6%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	95 476.7	88 430.5	-7.4%	154 705.2	143 645.8	-7.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	26 147.1	26 972.0	3.2%	57 095.1	54 711.7	-4.2%
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).	3 004.4	3 173.1	5.6%	3 263.7	3 535.7	8.3%
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.	7 625.2	7 593.9	-0.4%	5 419.5	5 282.6	-2.5%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	19 852.5	25 384.7	27.9%	42 516.8	42 509.2	0.0%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	15 080.2	16 962.7	12.5%	44 720.5	44 661.8	-0.1%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	2 668.5	2 908.1	9.0%	14 258.5	13 778.6	-3.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	5 431.9	5 921.4	9.0%	12 802.8	13 465.1	5.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	329 905.5	281 556.8	-14.7%	18 126.2	20 707.0	14.2%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	156 189.7	170 982.0	9.5%	73 727.5	74 922.6	1.6%
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.	101 314.2	113 389.0	11.9%	270 487.6	357 520.6	32.2%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	140 206.2	178 147.9	27.1%	103 969.5	133 399.9	28.3%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	7 589.6	8 310.5	9.5%	28 728.4	33 124.4	15.3%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	6 852.9	7 690.8	12.2%	16 791.2	17 059.1	1.6%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	860.0	1 130.0	31.4%	290.8	840.5	189.1%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4 139.6	2 818.1	-31.9%	1 140.2	1 198.2	5.1%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	11.9	4.1	-65.4%	90 559.3	124 704.0	37.7%
Total		1 512 967.0	1 523 597.4	0.7%	1 333 046.5	1 480 555.7	11.1%

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AFRICA	31 541.8	31 347.0	-0.6%	-32.1	6 455.3	6 114.9	-5.3%	-6.2
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OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	9 675.2	10 147.9	4.9%	-	1 149.8	556.3	-51.6%	0.0
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	1 109.9	690.8	-37.8%	0.1	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	162 797.7	157 652.5	-3.2%	-730.5	162 239.5	156 229.9	-3.7%	-37.0

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 281.0	1 406.1	9.8%	-0.9	1 175.6	1 054.3	-10.3%	-1.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	14 647.5	13 668.1	-6.7%	-657.4	3 904.4	3 417.5	-12.5%	-1.8
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	323.2	328.2	1.6%	-1.0	1 203.4	1 714.3	42.5%	0.4
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	5 462.2	4 646.9	-14.9%	6.7	4 032.3	3 601.0	-10.7%	3.7
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	42 328.9	38 046.2	-10.1%	-23.4	28 605.0	34 144.0	19.4%	-6.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	8 150.6	8 045.9	-1.3%	-4.8	16 544.1	16 306.0	-1.4%	-7.6
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 533.3	2 117.1	-16.4%	-13.1	6 486.7	5 704.3	-12.1%	0.5
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).	325.7	268.1	-17.7%	-0.0	419.1	476.1	13.6%	-1.3
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.	557.4	620.0	11.2%	-0.2	331.3	374.9	13.2%	-0.1
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.	2 293.5	2 406.9	4.9%	-12.5	5 140.4	5 264.0	2.4%	-2.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	872.2	878.0	0.7%	-0.5	4 456.0	4 524.1	1.5%	-2.6
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.	120.1	129.5	7.9%	-	1 707.7	1 734.3	1.6%	0.8
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	545.7	434.1	-20.5%	-0.3	1 822.7	1 433.8	-21.3%	-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.	28 507.2	30 933.8	8.5%	8.5	1 509.6	835.9	-44.6%	0.7
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	18 220.3	17 436.8	-4.3%	6.8	7 887.7	7 865.0	-0.3%	-1.3
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	11 145.1	10 675.8	-4.2%	-1.6	37 566.6	34 368.7	-8.5%	-21.5
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	23 714.6	23 766.7	0.2%	-36.2	15 710.4	12 797.7	-18.5%	4.8
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XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	565.7	582.1	2.9%	-0.7	2 381.3	2 290.6	-3.8%	-2.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	97.2	142.0	46.1%	-	31.4	110.2	251.2%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	330.0	377.6	14.4%	0.0	178.0	139.0	-21.9%	-0.2
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.0	#DIV/0!	-	17 292.9	14 127.6	-18.3%	-
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Total	1 380 116.5	1 382 367.2	0.2%	1 289 946.9	1 433 486.5	11.1%

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	10 413.7	12 220.0	17.3%	12 118.8	12 198.7	0.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	85 178.3	99 264.4	16.5%	25 159.3	29 543.8	17.4%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	4 655.5	3 903.5	-16.2%	16 103.3	10 193.7	-36.7%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	35 457.0	41 799.9	17.9%	27 879.0	34 880.4	25.1%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	405 102.9	370 510.0	-8.5%	301 393.1	295 819.8	-1.8%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	83 085.4	75 163.0	-9.5%	148 246.5	136 361.2	-8.0%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	20 326.0	20 709.8	1.9%	56 578.6	54 090.8	-4.4%
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).	2 592.0	2 765.1	6.7%	3 171.0	3 453.4	8.9%
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.	5 831.7	5 837.8	0.1%	3 582.4	3 246.4	-9.4%
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.	17 215.6	22 260.3	29.3%	42 195.9	42 121.9	-0.2%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	8 523.8	10 387.9	21.9%	38 687.2	38 369.0	-0.8%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	1 026.0	1 174.7	14.5%	14 145.6	13 606.1	-3.8%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3 826.5	4 314.7	12.8%	12 705.5	13 366.0	5.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	322 335.4	277 829.8	-13.8%	9 140.3	9 743.0	6.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	147 270.9	161 798.8	9.9%	72 916.3	74 124.5	1.7%
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.	83 005.1	93 264.2	12.4%	266 361.6	352 941.4	32.5%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	129 653.1	164 246.0	26.7%	102 272.9	132 706.4	29.8%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	5 926.8	6 520.1	10.0%	28 628.1	33 035.8	15.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3 733.4	4 500.0	20.5%	16 688.4	16 960.9	1.6%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	854.2	1 123.8	31.6%	290.1	839.8	189.5%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4 095.0	2 771.5	-32.3%	1 123.7	1 179.9	5.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	8.2	2.1	-74.7%	90 559.3	124 703.6	37.7%
Total		1 380 116.5	1 382 367.2	0.2%	1 289 946.9	1 433 486.5	11.1%

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.
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	August 2023 Revision / September 2023							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	August 2023	September 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	August 2023	September 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
World Zone								
AFRICA	17 727.8	17 003.5	-4.1%	-5.0	5 707.4	5 284.2	-7.4%	1.5
Total	17 727.8	17 003.5	-4.1%	-5.0	5 707.4	5 284.2	-7.4%	1.5

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		August 2023	September 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	August 2023	September 2023	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	394.0	361.7	-8.2%	-	390.3	316.6	-18.9%	0.8
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	986.3	984.8	-0.2%	-	185.5	137.9	-25.7%	0.3
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	241.5	233.6	-3.3%	-	2.1	1.3	-39.9%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 950.8	1 922.7	-1.4%	-0.2	750.4	731.9	-2.5%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	3 014.9	2 784.9	-7.6%	-4.5	147.1	124.3	-15.5%	0.0
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 644.4	1 709.8	4.0%	-0.3	958.8	956.1	-0.3%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	746.7	767.4	2.8%	-0.0	70.9	74.8	5.5%	-
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).	52.6	43.8	-16.8%	-0.1	12.9	13.2	2.8%	-
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.	237.9	220.8	-7.2%	0.0	256.9	248.5	-3.3%	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.	370.1	362.0	-2.2%	-0.0	56.6	65.8	16.2%	-0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	772.0	792.8	2.7%	-0.0	796.8	776.2	-2.6%	0.0
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.	230.6	245.6	6.5%	-0.0	22.8	25.5	12.2%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	187.3	185.2	-1.1%	0.2	13.7	8.9	-35.4%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	569.7	563.1	-1.2%	-0.0	1 252.0	1 185.2	-5.3%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	1 156.2	1 196.5	3.5%	0.3	100.9	98.0	-2.9%	0.6
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.	2 626.3	2 443.6	-7.0%	-0.8	600.8	456.4	-24.0%	-0.1
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 862.5	1 572.2	-15.6%	0.3	68.2	39.3	-42.4%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	234.2	193.4	-17.4%	-0.0	7.2	9.4	30.2%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	442.2	414.3	-6.3%	-0.0	12.6	10.8	-14.7%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.7	0.6	-15.5%	-	0.1	0.2	174.6%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.0	4.8	-4.5%	-	0.9	4.0	343.6%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	2.0	-	-100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		17 727.8	17 003.5	-4.1%	-5.0	5 707.4	5 284.2	-7.4%	1.5

Preliminary BELN Cumulative Statement

<p>METHODOLOGY CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR</p>	<p>Export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of goods. The figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month from and to South Africa. cursory checks of the figures are made prior to publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.</p>
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January to September 2022 / January to September 2023					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to September 2022	January to September 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to September 2022	January to September 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	132 850.5	141 230.2	6.3%	43 099.6	47 069.2	9.2%
Total	132 850.5	141 230.2	6.3%	43 099.6	47 069.2	9.2%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to September 2022	January to September 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to September 2022	January to September 2023	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 913.0	3 069.1	5.4%	3 790.8	3 485.6	-8.1%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	7 761.9	9 043.0	16.5%	927.8	1 091.6	17.7%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 000.7	1 784.3	-10.8%	17.7	10.9	-38.5%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	14 452.4	16 288.3	12.7%	5 767.2	6 242.4	8.2%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	22 675.4	24 339.2	7.3%	1 286.8	2 021.9	57.1%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	12 391.3	13 267.5	7.1%	6 458.7	7 284.6	12.8%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	5 821.1	6 262.2	7.6%	516.5	620.9	20.2%
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).	412.5	408.1	-1.1%	92.7	82.3	-11.2%
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.	1 793.5	1 756.1	-2.1%	1 837.1	2 036.2	10.8%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	2 636.9	3 124.4	18.5%	320.9	387.3	20.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	6 556.5	6 574.8	0.3%	6 033.2	6 292.8	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.	1 642.5	1 733.4	5.5%	112.9	172.5	52.8%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 605.4	1 606.7	0.1%	97.3	99.1	1.8%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	7 570.1	3 727.0	-50.8%	8 985.9	10 964.0	22.0%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	8 918.8	9 183.2	3.0%	811.2	798.1	-1.6%
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.	18 309.1	20 124.9	9.9%	4 126.0	4 579.2	11.0%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	10 553.1	13 901.9	31.7%	1 696.7	693.5	-59.1%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 662.8	1 790.4	7.7%	100.3	88.6	-11.7%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3 119.5	3 190.8	2.3%	102.8	98.3	-4.4%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	5.8	6.3	7.1%	0.7	0.8	14.7%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	44.6	46.6	4.5%	16.5	18.3	11.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	3.7	2.1	-45.0%	-	0.4	-
Total		132 850.5	141 230.2	6.3%	43 099.6	47 069.2	9.2%