

## SA Preliminary Trade Statistics for March 2024 (Including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2024 (Preliminary)	R 164 124 321 022	R 156 851 716 373	R 7 272 604 649
February 2024 (Revised)	R 161 182 381 572	R 147 847 288 900	R 13 335 092 672

R Increase/Decrease	R 2 941 939 451	R 9 004 427 473
% Growth	1.8%	6.1%

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2024 (Preliminary)	R 469 180 611 711	R 458 392 880 159	R 10 787 731 552
January to March 2023 (Revised)	R 482 247 169 793	R 487 931 472 199	R -5 684 302 406

R Increase/Decrease	R -13 066 558 082	R -29 538 592 040
% Growth	-2.7%	-6.1%

### COMMENTS

#### Month on month increase/decrease

#### EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by	R 1 456 million (-12%)
Section 4:	Prepared foodstuff increased by	R 1 185 million (19%)
Section 6:	Chemical products increased by	R 1 908 million (23%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones increased by	R 2 565 million (11%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments decreased by	R 2 823 million (-12%)

#### IMPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products increased by	R 705 million (28%)
Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 4 456 million (14%)
Section 10:	Wood pulp & paper increased by	R 1 352 million (33%)
Section 11:	Textiles increased by	R 687 million (13%)
Section 15:	Base metals increased by	R 618 million (8%)

## Preliminary International Trade (Excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2024 (Preliminary)	R 147 455 959 482	R 150 919 145 793	R -3 463 186 311
February 2024 (Revised)	R 144 410 385 677	R 142 163 632 130	R 2 246 753 547

R Increase/Decrease	R 3 045 573 806	R 8 755 513 663
% Growth	2.1%	6.2%

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2024 (Preliminary)	R 420 921 454 412	R 441 054 278 170	R -20 132 823 758
January to March 2023 (Revised)	R 437 876 244 760	R 472 220 686 549	R -34 344 441 789

R Increase/Decrease	R -16 954 790 348	R -31 166 408 379
% Growth	-3.9%	-6.6%

## BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2024 (Preliminary)	R 16 668 361 540	R 5 932 570 580	R 10 735 790 960
February 2024 (Revised)	R 16 771 995 895	R 5 683 656 770	R 11 088 339 125

R Increase/Decrease	R -103 634 355	R 248 913 810
% Growth	-0.6%	4.4%

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2024 (Preliminary)	R 48 259 157 299	R 17 338 601 989	R 30 920 555 310
January to March 2023 (Revised)	R 44 370 925 033	R 15 710 785 650	R 28 660 139 383

R Increase/Decrease	R 3 888 232 266	R 1 627 816 339
% Growth	8.8%	10.4%

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

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	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	February 2024	March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	February 2024	March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	45 632.2	45 433.0	-0.4%	-322.0	16 503.6	18 666.2	13.1%	0.6
AMERICA	14 253.5	16 284.0	14.2%	-62.0	16 649.3	18 011.6	8.2%	-2.4
ASIA	47 855.6	50 928.3	6.4%	-182.1	69 134.6	76 196.0	10.2%	27.0
EUROPE	43 918.5	37 000.5	-15.8%	-68.7	42 083.1	42 530.0	1.1%	8.9
OCEANIA	1 638.7	2 064.9	26.0%	-38.2	2 046.8	1 205.5	-41.1%	1.1
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	6 828.5	11 386.4	66.7%	-	1 429.8	242.4	-83.0%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	1 055.5	1 027.1	-2.7%	0.5	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	161 182.4	164 124.3	1.8%	-672.5	147 847.3	156 851.7	6.1%	35.3

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		February 2024	March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	February 2024	March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 943.9	1 900.1	-2.3%	0.9	1 747.4	1 730.6	-1.0%	-12.5
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	12 270.4	10 814.3	-11.9%	-10.7	2 545.9	3 251.4	27.7%	-1.2
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	565.7	729.7	29.0%	-3.7	1 377.6	1 248.8	-9.3%	-0.5
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	6 275.1	7 459.8	18.9%	-11.2	4 319.3	4 554.4	5.4%	-0.5
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	42 957.8	44 080.9	2.6%	-380.2	31 630.8	36 086.8	14.1%	29.4
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	8 429.8	10 337.9	22.6%	-3.8	15 562.8	15 491.7	-0.5%	4.5
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 894.3	2 723.7	-5.9%	-32.3	6 174.0	6 573.6	6.5%	2.1
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).	368.9	400.3	8.5%	0.1	346.4	427.8	23.5%	-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.	983.1	828.8	-15.7%	-0.7	611.9	627.1	2.5%	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.	2 280.9	3 027.6	32.7%	-106.7	4 070.7	5 422.8	33.2%	0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 055.5	2 299.7	11.9%	-0.3	5 133.4	5 820.5	13.4%	16.2
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.	341.1	371.0	8.8%	-0.1	1 544.5	1 649.4	6.8%	0.2
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	647.4	647.7	0.0%	0.1	1 248.2	1 312.8	5.2%	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.	23 914.2	26 479.6	10.7%	-0.4	2 521.0	2 045.2	-18.9%	-1.6
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	18 068.4	17 477.9	-3.3%	-104.2	7 618.9	8 236.8	8.1%	-8.5
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.	12 048.2	11 658.3	-3.2%	-9.9	32 834.4	33 351.4	1.6%	-5.5
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	22 975.5	20 152.0	-12.3%	-4.2	10 545.5	9 991.3	-5.3%	10.3
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	881.6	820.1	-7.0%	0.3	3 801.3	4 037.4	6.2%	-0.3
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	858.7	968.0	12.7%	-2.2	1 748.3	1 908.4	9.2%	0.5
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	127.0	177.8	40.0%	-3.3	24.1	8.6	-64.4%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	294.7	768.6	160.8%	-0.1	231.3	255.4	10.4%	2.2
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.3	0.5	71.5%	-	12 209.5	12 819.4	5.0%	-0.0
Total		161 182.4	164 124.3	1.8%	-672.5	147 847.3	156 851.7	6.1%	35.3

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	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	123 233.7	132 592.6	7.6%	47 931.9	49 565.3	3.4%
AMERICA	46 802.9	44 424.2	-5.1%	51 655.8	50 956.1	-1.4%
ASIA	156 309.8	143 056.8	-8.5%	248 144.7	222 531.5	-10.3%
EUROPE	118 446.1	112 083.9	-5.4%	131 351.2	128 160.3	-2.4%
OCEANIA	4 156.9	4 825.2	16.1%	5 610.5	5 012.7	-10.7%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	30 575.9	28 894.9	-5.5%	3 237.3	2 167.0	-33.1%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	2 721.9	3 303.0	21.3%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>482 247.2</b>	<b>469 180.6</b>	<b>-2.7%</b>	<b>487 931.5</b>	<b>458 392.9</b>	<b>-6.1%</b>

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	4 788.3	5 174.4	8.1%	5 967.5	5 462.6	-8.5%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	28 311.6	32 227.0	13.8%	8 378.1	8 846.2	5.6%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 568.7	1 734.1	10.5%	2 496.9	3 466.9	38.8%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	16 689.8	18 741.3	12.3%	13 964.6	13 238.8	-5.2%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	133 638.1	133 082.8	-0.4%	107 681.8	96 977.6	-9.9%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	28 988.9	26 903.5	-7.2%	48 239.5	48 092.2	-0.3%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	8 747.6	7 880.0	-9.9%	17 067.6	19 367.3	13.5%
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).	979.9	1 058.8	8.0%	1 105.0	1 203.4	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.	2 380.1	2 437.4	2.4%	1 812.2	1 859.8	2.6%
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.	9 319.1	8 224.2	-11.7%	13 742.0	14 213.5	3.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	6 060.9	5 511.6	-9.1%	15 497.1	15 654.2	1.0%
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.	910.8	965.9	6.1%	4 369.0	4 796.8	9.8%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 838.3	1 898.9	3.3%	4 170.2	3 861.7	-7.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	95 923.5	76 671.4	-20.1%	7 459.0	6 896.1	-7.5%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	56 722.7	52 703.5	-7.1%	23 731.7	24 204.8	2.0%
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.	34 762.8	32 685.3	-6.0%	109 855.8	102 072.6	-7.1%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	44 780.3	54 741.5	22.2%	48 209.3	32 052.8	-33.5%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	2 553.6	2 417.0	-5.3%	10 202.8	11 402.7	11.8%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 155.1	2 398.5	11.3%	4 876.0	5 441.1	11.6%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	329.7	415.1	25.9%	407.6	125.0	-69.3%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	796.1	1 307.4	64.2%	355.5	675.6	90.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.3	0.9	-35.9%	38 342.2	38 481.1	0.4%
<b>Total</b>		<b>482 247.2</b>	<b>469 180.6</b>	<b>-2.7%</b>	<b>487 931.5</b>	<b>458 392.9</b>	<b>-6.1%</b>

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AMERICA	14 253.5	16 284.0	14.2%	-62.0	16 649.3	18 011.6	8.2%	-2.4
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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	11 140.6	9 628.8	-13.6%	-10.6	2 480.8	3 168.2	27.7%	-1.2
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	363.9	541.9	48.9%	-3.7	1 376.4	1 247.3	-9.4%	-0.5
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4 226.1	5 469.9	29.4%	-11.6	3 594.3	3 846.8	7.0%	-0.5
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	40 252.7	41 263.1	2.5%	-373.6	31 389.9	35 930.9	14.5%	29.4
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	6 853.4	8 781.1	28.1%	-5.3	14 459.7	14 325.6	-0.9%	4.5
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 112.6	2 015.0	-4.6%	-32.2	6 100.0	6 492.9	6.4%	2.1
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).	321.5	351.2	9.3%	0.1	336.8	418.1	24.1%	-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.	761.4	609.2	-20.0%	-0.7	393.8	405.0	2.8%	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.	1 931.6	2 704.8	40.0%	-106.7	4 036.6	5 385.3	33.4%	0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 286.3	1 515.6	17.8%	-0.2	4 445.8	5 179.1	16.5%	16.2
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XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	451.7	473.1	4.7%	-0.0	1 237.1	1 300.9	5.2%	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.	23 628.4	26 064.8	10.3%	-0.4	1 133.3	643.3	-43.2%	-0.2
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	16 909.4	16 405.3	-3.0%	-104.1	7 535.0	8 140.8	8.0%	-8.9
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.	9 472.0	9 152.9	-3.4%	-9.1	32 281.9	32 832.8	1.7%	-5.1
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	21 455.0	18 605.3	-13.3%	-4.1	10 484.2	9 657.9	-7.9%	10.3
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	621.6	628.3	1.1%	0.3	3 788.7	4 029.2	6.3%	-0.3
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	469.3	584.4	24.5%	-1.6	1 735.9	1 897.1	9.3%	0.5
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	126.5	176.6	39.6%	-	24.1	8.4	-65.1%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	289.4	764.2	164.0%	-0.1	229.8	254.1	10.6%	2.2
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.4	241.2%	-	12 209.5	12 819.4	5.0%	-0.0
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OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	30 575.9	28 894.9	-5.5%	3 237.3	2 167.0	-33.1%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	2 721.9	3 303.0	21.3%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>437 876.2</b>	<b>420 921.5</b>	<b>-3.9%</b>	<b>472 220.7</b>	<b>441 054.3</b>	<b>-6.6%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to March 2023	January to March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to March 2023	January to March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	3 853.8	4 164.9	8.1%	4 722.3	4 340.6	-8.1%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	25 214.0	28 777.5	14.1%	8 149.5	8 630.6	5.9%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 101.9	1 197.0	8.6%	2 494.4	3 463.6	38.9%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	11 565.5	12 800.4	10.7%	12 030.8	11 120.3	-7.6%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	125 701.1	124 735.5	-0.8%	106 979.6	96 346.2	-9.9%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	24 875.7	22 329.9	-10.2%	45 532.6	44 644.8	-1.9%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	6 813.7	5 766.6	-15.4%	16 865.2	19 142.9	13.5%
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).	838.0	916.0	9.3%	1 083.3	1 174.4	8.4%
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.	1 850.9	1 834.5	-0.9%	1 203.1	1 212.5	0.8%
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.	8 171.6	7 168.9	-12.3%	13 635.8	14 080.0	3.3%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	3 914.0	3 398.0	-13.2%	13 462.5	13 751.0	2.1%
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.	348.1	436.0	25.2%	4 314.2	4 750.9	10.1%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 329.4	1 371.9	3.2%	4 137.1	3 829.5	-7.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	94 815.9	75 567.3	-20.3%	3 651.6	2 518.7	-31.0%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	54 037.0	49 680.1	-8.1%	23 495.4	23 948.2	1.9%
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.	28 523.8	25 711.0	-9.9%	108 320.4	100 579.9	-7.1%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	40 558.6	50 203.7	23.8%	48 027.7	31 459.5	-34.5%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 972.5	1 798.1	-8.8%	10 168.1	11 373.7	11.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 281.3	1 357.7	6.0%	4 849.0	5 411.0	11.6%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	327.3	413.1	26.2%	407.6	124.7	-69.4%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	780.7	1 292.6	65.6%	348.4	670.3	92.4%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.3	0.7	-48.7%	38 342.2	38 481.1	0.4%
<b>Total</b>		<b>437 876.2</b>	<b>420 921.5</b>	<b>-3.9%</b>	<b>472 220.7</b>	<b>441 054.3</b>	<b>-6.6%</b>

# Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement

<p><b>METHODOLOGY</b></p> <p>COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES.</p> <p>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

PERIOD:	February 2024 Revision / March 2024							
World Zone	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	February 2024	March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	February 2024	March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	16 772.0	16 668.4	-0.6%	-9.7	5 683.7	5 932.6	4.4%	-2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>16 772.0</b>	<b>16 668.4</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>	<b>-9.7</b>	<b>5 683.7</b>	<b>5 932.6</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>-2.5</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		February 2024	March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	February 2024	March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	356.7	355.5	-0.3%	-	382.6	428.6	12.0%	-1.3
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	1 129.9	1 185.5	4.9%	-0.1	65.2	83.2	27.7%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	201.8	187.9	-6.9%	-	1.2	1.5	28.6%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 048.9	1 989.9	-2.9%	0.4	725.0	707.5	-2.4%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	2 705.1	2 817.8	4.2%	-6.6	241.0	155.9	-35.3%	0.0
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 576.4	1 556.8	-1.2%	1.4	1 103.1	1 166.1	5.7%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	781.7	708.7	-9.3%	-0.0	74.0	80.7	9.1%	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).	47.4	49.1	3.6%	-	9.6	9.8	1.1%	-
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.	221.6	219.6	-0.9%	0.1	218.1	222.1	1.8%	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.	349.2	322.7	-7.6%	-	34.1	37.5	10.1%	-
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	769.2	784.1	1.9%	-0.1	687.6	641.4	-6.7%	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.	191.5	195.6	2.2%	-0.1	19.0	15.2	-19.9%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	195.7	174.6	-10.8%	0.1	11.1	11.9	7.7%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	285.8	414.8	45.2%	-	1 387.7	1 401.9	1.0%	-1.4
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	1 159.0	1 072.7	-7.5%	-0.1	83.9	95.9	14.4%	0.4
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.	2 576.2	2 505.4	-2.7%	-0.9	552.5	518.6	-6.1%	-0.4
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 520.5	1 546.8	1.7%	-0.0	61.3	333.4	443.7%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	260.0	191.8	-26.2%	-0.0	12.6	8.2	-34.8%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	389.4	383.5	-1.5%	-0.6	12.4	11.3	-8.9%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.5	1.2	133.4%	-3.3	0.0	0.2	585.3%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.3	4.4	-17.2%	-	1.5	1.4	-11.9%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.0	-81.6%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>16 772.0</b>	<b>16 668.4</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>	<b>-9.7</b>	<b>5 683.7</b>	<b>5 932.6</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>-2.5</b>

# Preliminary BELN Cumulative Statement

<p><b>METHODOLOGY</b></p> <p>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 March 2023 / January to March 2024					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to March 2023	January to March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to March 2023	January to March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	44 370.9	48 259.2	8.8%	15 710.8	17 338.6	10.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>44 370.9</b>	<b>48 259.2</b>	<b>8.8%</b>	<b>15 710.8</b>	<b>17 338.6</b>	<b>10.4%</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to March 2023	January to March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to March 2023	January to March 2024	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	934.5	1 009.4	8.0%	1 245.2	1 122.0	-9.9%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 097.6	3 449.4	11.4%	228.6	215.6	-5.7%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	466.8	537.0	15.1%	2.5	3.3	30.0%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	5 124.3	5 940.9	15.9%	1 933.8	2 118.5	9.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	7 937.0	8 347.4	5.2%	702.1	631.4	-10.1%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 113.1	4 573.6	11.2%	2 706.9	3 447.4	27.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 934.0	2 113.5	9.3%	202.5	224.4	10.8%
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).	142.0	142.8	0.6%	21.7	28.9	33.4%
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.	529.2	602.9	13.9%	609.1	647.3	6.3%
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.	1 147.4	1 055.4	-8.0%	106.1	133.5	25.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 146.9	2 113.6	-1.6%	2 034.6	1 903.3	-6.5%
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.	562.7	530.0	-5.8%	54.9	45.9	-16.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	508.9	527.0	3.6%	33.1	32.2	-2.7%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	1 107.6	1 104.1	-0.3%	3 807.4	4 377.5	15.0%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	2 685.7	3 023.4	12.6%	236.3	256.7	8.6%
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.	6 239.0	6 974.3	11.8%	1 535.3	1 492.7	-2.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	4 221.6	4 537.8	7.5%	181.6	593.3	226.8%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	581.1	618.9	6.5%	34.7	29.0	-16.5%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	873.8	1 040.9	19.1%	27.0	30.2	11.6%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	2.4	2.0	-14.3%	0.1	0.2	163.4%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	15.4	14.8	-3.9%	7.1	5.3	-25.4%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.2	9782.4%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>		<b>44 370.9</b>	<b>48 259.2</b>	<b>8.8%</b>	<b>15 710.8</b>	<b>17 338.6</b>	<b>10.4%</b>