

## SA Preliminary Trade Statistics for April 2026 (Including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2026 (Preliminary)	R 190 550 081 394	R 175 388 465 363	R 15 161 616 031
March 2026 (Revised)	R 187 135 123 354	R 156 926 020 298	R 30 209 103 056
R Increase/Decrease	R 3 414 958 040	R 18 462 445 065	
% Growth	1.8%	11.8%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2026 (Preliminary)	R 700 331 167 173	R 610 993 705 729	R 89 337 461 444
January to April 2025 (Revised)	R 648 638 305 949	R 608 797 041 726	R 39 841 264 223
R Increase/Decrease	R 51 692 861 225	R 2 196 664 003	
% Growth	8.0%	0.4%	

### COMMENTS

#### Month on month increase/decrease

#### EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by	R 1 668 million	(-15%)
Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 2 562 million	(-5%)
Section 6:	Chemical products decreased by	R 1 573 million	(-14%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones increased by	R 12 059 million	(30%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments decreased by	R 1 212 million	(-5%)

#### IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 21 013 million	(76%)
Section 11:	Textiles decreased by	R 1 004 million	(-17%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones decreased by	R 846 million	(-21%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics increased by	R 1 921 million	(5%)
Section 23:	Original equipment components decreased by	R 1 330 million	(-10%)

## Preliminary International Trade (Excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2026 (Preliminary)	R 174 572 085 262	R 169 623 728 242	R 4 948 357 020
March 2026 (Revised)	R 169 519 258 886	R 149 206 098 706	R 20 313 160 180

R Increase/Decrease	R 5 052 826 376	R 20 417 629 536	
% Growth	3.0%	13.7%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2026 (Preliminary)	R 637 912 414 942	R 586 168 318 038	R 51 744 096 904
January to April 2025 (Revised)	R 582 354 287 250	R 585 625 020 128	R -3 270 732 878

R Increase/Decrease	R 55 558 127 693	R 543 297 910	
% Growth	9.5%	0.1%	

## BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2026 (Preliminary)	R 15 977 996 132	R 5 764 737 121	R 10 213 259 011
March 2026 (Revised)	R 17 615 864 468	R 7 719 921 592	R 9 895 942 876

R Increase/Decrease	R -1 637 868 336	R -1 955 184 471	
% Growth	-9.3%	-25.3%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2026 (Preliminary)	R 62 418 752 231	R 24 825 387 691	R 37 593 364 540
January to April 2025 (Revised)	R 66 284 018 699	R 23 172 021 598	R 43 111 997 101

R Increase/Decrease	R -3 865 266 468	R 1 653 366 093	
% Growth	-5.8%	7.1%	

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## WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	March 2026 Revision / April 2026								
	World Zone	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		March 2026	April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	March 2026	April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	49 428.4	44 292.0	-10.4%	-568.4	15 488.5	23 954.3	54.7%	-2.2	
AMERICA	15 636.8	16 370.9	4.7%	2.4	13 763.6	23 708.3	72.3%	19.7	
ASIA	58 457.5	60 011.2	2.7%	-162.9	81 710.9	73 189.2	-10.4%	696.9	
EUROPE	49 738.7	47 333.7	-4.8%	-25.4	44 269.8	51 558.1	16.5%	196.3	
OCEANIA	1 529.6	2 122.1	38.7%	-1.0	1 633.0	1 502.4	-8.0%	-11.4	
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	11 568.1	19 001.5	64.3%	-	60.1	1 476.1	2355.2%	0.1	
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	776.0	1 418.7	82.8%	-2.8	-	-	0.0%	-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>187 135.1</b>	<b>190 550.1</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>-758.2</b>	<b>156 926.0</b>	<b>175 388.5</b>	<b>11.8%</b>	<b>899.5</b>	

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		March 2026	April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	March 2026	April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 943.7	2 178.0	12.1%	-0.2	1 698.2	1 716.3	1.1%	0.2
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	11 207.8	9 540.1	-14.9%	3.9	3 318.7	3 476.8	4.8%	-1.9
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage	752.5	688.3	-8.5%	-0.8	1 606.4	1 073.8	-33.2%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	7 444.0	7 462.5	0.2%	-10.4	5 207.1	5 035.9	-3.3%	203.0
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	50 585.3	48 023.5	-5.1%	-726.4	27 574.8	48 587.9	76.2%	678.5
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	11 299.1	9 725.9	-13.9%	-9.4	16 628.7	16 484.7	-0.9%	-6.5
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 899.4	2 832.4	-2.3%	5.3	6 015.5	6 441.5	7.1%	2.7
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).	355.2	341.0	-4.0%	0.2	431.2	346.9	-19.6%	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.	1 212.0	1 137.6	-6.1%	-8.2	680.3	624.5	-8.2%	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.	2 389.7	2 415.6	1.1%	28.5	2 258.3	1 954.4	-13.5%	0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 197.9	2 395.1	9.0%	-0.1	5 759.9	4 756.1	-17.4%	4.6
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.	349.2	343.3	-1.7%	0.3	1 488.5	1 183.8	-20.5%	0.4
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	680.6	627.8	-7.7%	-0.4	1 215.3	1 376.5	13.3%	-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.	40 624.0	52 682.7	29.7%	-46.0	4 097.7	3 252.1	-20.6%	-3.7
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	13 645.2	12 697.9	-6.9%	-3.9	7 890.7	7 833.3	-0.7%	7.0
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	13 161.8	12 596.1	-4.3%	7.9	35 385.6	37 306.4	5.4%	28.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	23 469.9	22 258.1	-5.2%	-1.7	15 631.1	15 963.9	2.1%	-16.2
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	975.8	1 076.1	10.3%	-0.0	4 246.2	3 886.6	-8.5%	5.4
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	931.9	905.5	-2.8%	3.2	1 964.5	1 796.5	-8.6%	0.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	225.8	153.4	-32.0%	-0.0	76.9	22.7	-70.5%	0.1
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	784.6	469.2	-40.2%	-0.0	283.6	131.6	-53.6%	0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.0	#DIV/0!	-	13 466.7	12 136.3	-9.9%	-2.5
<b>Total</b>		<b>187 135.1</b>	<b>190 550.1</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>-758.2</b>	<b>156 926.0</b>	<b>175 388.5</b>	<b>11.8%</b>	<b>899.5</b>

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	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	182 495.3	169 127.4	-7.3%	59 301.3	71 896.3	21.2%
AMERICA	55 352.9	58 639.0	5.9%	61 061.5	63 738.1	4.4%
ASIA	186 895.8	223 276.8	19.5%	317 823.1	301 274.1	-5.2%
EUROPE	156 214.9	180 988.9	15.9%	159 669.7	166 071.4	4.0%
OCEANIA	6 634.9	5 990.3	-9.7%	9 677.7	5 936.8	-38.7%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	56 764.4	58 433.4	2.9%	1 263.7	2 076.9	64.3%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	4 280.1	3 875.4	-9.5%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>648 638.3</b>	<b>700 331.2</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>608 797.0</b>	<b>610 993.7</b>	<b>0.4%</b>

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	8 345.7	7 708.3	-7.6%	5 911.4	6 714.4	13.6%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	44 222.4	43 705.3	-1.2%	17 405.9	12 959.6	-25.5%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 666.5	2 506.6	-6.0%	4 925.6	4 653.1	-5.5%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	27 045.0	27 121.0	0.3%	20 032.4	18 804.6	-6.1%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	164 719.8	180 177.1	9.4%	116 653.7	124 965.9	7.1%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	37 835.3	37 456.4	-1.0%	64 865.8	62 308.3	-3.9%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	11 028.3	10 762.4	-2.4%	24 603.0	23 298.8	-5.3%
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).	1 361.6	1 239.2	-9.0%	1 589.6	1 552.5	-2.3%
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.	4 084.9	4 377.4	7.2%	2 394.2	2 617.7	9.3%
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.	9 996.0	8 824.1	-11.7%	7 632.3	7 665.1	0.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	7 958.6	8 011.9	0.7%	21 561.2	20 360.0	-5.6%
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.	1 608.6	1 226.9	-23.7%	5 717.8	5 471.9	-4.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	2 751.8	2 458.3	-10.7%	5 247.4	4 818.8	-8.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	118 845.3	174 233.5	46.6%	10 486.3	13 267.1	26.5%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	61 444.9	53 582.8	-12.8%	31 214.6	31 360.2	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.	45 372.9	46 338.9	2.1%	140 547.1	139 235.5	-0.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	89 132.8	78 652.6	-11.8%	55 071.0	60 997.4	10.8%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	3 704.6	6 228.6	68.1%	15 270.1	15 332.2	0.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3 386.1	3 392.0	0.2%	7 266.6	7 426.4	2.2%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	450.8	648.9	44.0%	291.0	544.6	87.2%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	2 667.8	1 679.0	-37.1%	745.9	626.7	-16.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	8.5	0.0	-99.7%	49 364.2	46 012.7	-6.8%
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III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	429.9	481.5	12.0%	-0.8	1 595.7	1 072.2	-32.8%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	5 387.8	5 639.7	4.7%	-10.1	4 284.1	4 178.1	-2.5%	203.3
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	48 301.5	45 647.6	-5.5%	-731.1	27 012.0	48 439.4	79.3%	678.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	9 582.6	8 156.7	-14.9%	-5.9	15 359.5	15 694.8	2.2%	-6.4
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 138.8	2 094.4	-2.1%	5.3	5 912.9	6 343.5	7.3%	2.7
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).	308.9	293.5	-5.0%	0.2	417.6	335.3	-19.7%	0.1
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	946.7	903.0	-4.6%	-8.2	416.0	390.6	-6.1%	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.	2 042.5	2 130.1	4.3%	28.5	2 204.3	1 926.2	-12.6%	0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 287.8	1 498.6	16.4%	-0.1	5 023.6	4 102.1	-18.3%	5.2
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.	128.8	149.7	16.2%	0.3	1 460.4	1 162.2	-20.4%	0.4
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	471.0	426.0	-9.6%	-0.2	1 200.3	1 364.3	13.7%	-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.	40 057.8	52 352.8	30.7%	-46.0	1 654.3	1 426.3	-13.8%	-3.7
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	12 546.2	11 601.3	-7.5%	-1.9	7 793.6	7 753.3	-0.5%	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.	10 403.6	9 973.2	-4.1%	7.4	34 712.2	36 830.1	6.1%	28.6
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	21 577.0	20 905.3	-3.1%	-1.6	15 578.0	15 871.8	1.9%	-16.6
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	717.4	804.2	12.1%	-0.0	4 235.1	3 871.4	-8.6%	5.4
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	534.4	514.3	-3.8%	3.2	1 953.4	1 786.7	-8.5%	0.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	224.9	152.2	-32.3%	-0.0	76.9	22.2	-71.1%	0.1
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	779.3	461.6	-40.8%	-0.0	282.7	130.9	-53.7%	0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	-	0.0%	-	13 466.7	12 136.3	-9.9%	-2.5
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AFRICA	116 211.3	106 708.6	-8.2%	36 129.3	47 070.9	30.3%
AMERICA	55 352.9	58 639.0	5.9%	61 061.5	63 738.1	4.4%
ASIA	186 895.8	223 276.8	19.5%	317 823.1	301 274.1	-5.2%
EUROPE	156 214.9	180 988.9	15.9%	159 669.7	166 071.4	4.0%
OCEANIA	6 634.9	5 990.3	-9.7%	9 677.7	5 936.8	-38.7%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	56 764.4	58 433.4	2.9%	1 263.7	2 076.9	64.3%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	4 280.1	3 875.4	-9.5%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>582 354.3</b>	<b>637 912.4</b>	<b>9.5%</b>	<b>585 625.0</b>	<b>586 168.3</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to April 2025	January to April 2026	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2025	January to April 2026	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	6 832.3	6 278.5	-8.1%	4 993.5	5 640.7	13.0%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	39 650.9	39 720.9	0.2%	17 019.4	12 509.8	-26.5%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 842.9	1 556.3	-15.5%	4 888.7	4 636.7	-5.2%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	18 926.0	19 243.0	1.7%	16 850.1	15 418.2	-8.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	154 041.1	171 793.6	11.5%	115 916.2	124 041.3	7.0%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	31 382.2	31 097.2	-0.9%	61 006.4	58 548.7	-4.0%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	8 155.9	7 964.5	-2.3%	24 294.7	22 929.6	-5.6%
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).	1 176.8	1 053.4	-10.5%	1 552.9	1 512.7	-2.6%
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	3 145.7	3 449.7	9.7%	1 501.3	1 651.4	10.0%
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.	8 683.8	7 532.1	-13.3%	7 436.3	7 469.0	0.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4 615.4	4 674.2	1.3%	18 825.5	17 668.9	-6.1%
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.	795.5	452.1	-43.2%	5 647.8	5 368.1	-5.0%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 888.4	1 660.1	-12.1%	5 199.8	4 760.6	-8.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	118 124.3	173 093.1	46.5%	3 288.0	5 397.2	64.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	57 235.5	49 477.6	-13.6%	30 735.5	30 945.0	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.	35 158.6	36 355.4	3.4%	138 739.6	137 120.3	-1.2%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	83 011.3	73 013.0	-12.0%	54 882.4	60 697.4	10.6%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	2 768.1	5 264.5	90.2%	15 230.7	15 290.1	0.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 809.7	1 930.5	6.7%	7 221.8	7 385.4	2.3%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	447.1	644.3	44.1%	290.4	543.5	87.1%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	2 654.3	1 658.4	-37.5%	739.8	621.1	-16.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	8.4	0.0	-99.7%	49 364.2	46 012.7	-6.8%
<b>Total</b>		<b>582 354.3</b>	<b>637 912.4</b>	<b>9.5%</b>	<b>585 625.0</b>	<b>586 168.3</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

# Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement

<p><b>METHODOLOGY</b> COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES. ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS A RESULT OF AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION IN RESPECT OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS</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:	March 2026 Revision / April 2026							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	March 2026	April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	March 2026	April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
World Zone								
AFRICA	17 615.9	15 978.0	-9.3%	-0.8	7 719.9	5 764.7	-25.3%	0.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 615.9</b>	<b>15 978.0</b>	<b>-9.3%</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>7 719.9</b>	<b>5 764.7</b>	<b>-25.3%</b>	<b>0.8</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		March 2026	April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	March 2026	April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	398.2	353.9	-11.1%	-	321.9	253.5	-21.3%	0.7
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	1 100.8	978.1	-11.1%	0.0	128.2	153.6	19.8%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	322.5	206.8	-35.9%	-	10.7	1.7	-84.2%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 056.1	1 822.8	-11.3%	-0.3	923.0	857.8	-7.1%	-0.4
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	2 283.8	2 375.8	4.0%	4.8	562.9	148.5	-73.6%	-0.0
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 716.5	1 569.2	-8.6%	-3.5	1 269.2	789.9	-37.8%	-0.1
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	760.6	738.0	-3.0%	-0.0	102.6	97.9	-4.5%	-
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).	46.3	47.5	2.5%	-0.0	13.6	11.6	-14.9%	-
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.	265.3	234.6	-11.6%	0.0	264.3	233.9	-11.5%	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.	347.2	285.4	-17.8%	0.0	54.0	28.3	-47.7%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	910.1	896.5	-1.5%	0.1	736.3	654.1	-11.2%	-0.7
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.	220.3	193.5	-12.2%	-	28.1	21.6	-23.0%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	209.6	201.9	-3.7%	-0.2	15.0	12.2	-18.3%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	566.2	329.9	-41.7%	-	2 443.4	1 825.8	-25.3%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	1 099.0	1 096.6	-0.2%	-2.0	97.0	80.1	-17.5%	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.	2 758.2	2 622.8	-4.9%	0.4	673.5	476.2	-29.3%	0.3
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 892.9	1 352.8	-28.5%	-0.1	53.1	92.1	73.5%	0.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	258.4	271.8	5.2%	-	11.1	15.2	36.4%	0.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	397.5	391.2	-1.6%	0.0	11.1	9.7	-12.8%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.9	1.2	31.4%	-	0.0	0.4	1603.1%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.3	7.6	43.9%	-	0.9	0.8	-14.0%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.0	#DIV/0!	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>17 615.9</b>	<b>15 978.0</b>	<b>-9.3%</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>7 719.9</b>	<b>5 764.7</b>	<b>-25.3%</b>	<b>0.8</b>

# Preliminary BELN Cumulative Statement

<p><b>METHODOLOGY</b> 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 on 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 April 2025 / January to April 2026					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to April 2025	January to April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to April 2025	January to April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	66 284.0	62 418.8	-5.8%	23 172.0	24 825.4	7.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>66 284.0</b>	<b>62 418.8</b>	<b>-5.8%</b>	<b>23 172.0</b>	<b>24 825.4</b>	<b>7.1%</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to April 2025	January to April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to April 2025	January to April 2026	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 513.3	1 429.8	-5.5%	917.9	1 073.7	17.0%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 571.6	3 984.4	-12.8%	386.6	449.7	16.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	823.6	950.3	15.4%	36.9	16.4	-55.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	8 119.0	7 878.0	-3.0%	3 182.3	3 386.5	6.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	10 678.7	8 383.4	-21.5%	737.5	924.5	25.4%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	6 453.2	6 359.2	-1.5%	3 859.4	3 759.6	-2.6%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 872.4	2 797.9	-2.6%	308.3	369.3	19.8%
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).	184.7	185.8	0.6%	36.7	39.8	8.6%
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.	939.2	927.7	-1.2%	892.9	966.4	8.2%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	1 312.2	1 292.0	-1.5%	196.0	196.2	0.1%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	3 343.2	3 337.7	-0.2%	2 735.7	2 691.1	-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.	813.2	774.7	-4.7%	69.9	103.7	48.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	863.4	798.2	-7.6%	47.5	58.2	22.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	721.0	1 140.3	58.2%	7 198.2	7 870.0	9.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	4 209.4	4 105.2	-2.5%	479.1	415.3	-13.3%
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.	10 214.4	9 983.5	-2.3%	1 807.5	2 115.2	17.0%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	6 121.5	5 639.6	-7.9%	188.6	300.0	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.	936.5	964.1	3.0%	39.4	42.1	6.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 576.4	1 461.5	-7.3%	44.8	41.1	-8.4%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	3.7	4.7	27.9%	0.5	1.1	100.6%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	13.5	20.6	52.3%	6.2	5.7	-8.1%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.0	-95.9%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>		<b>66 284.0</b>	<b>62 418.8</b>	<b>-5.8%</b>	<b>23 172.0</b>	<b>24 825.4</b>	<b>7.1%</b>