

SA Preliminary Trade Statistics for May 2025 (Including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2025 (Preliminary)	R 175 749 908 085	R 154 079 452 772	R 21 670 455 313
April 2025 (Revised)	R 165 292 999 061	R 152 294 381 128	R 12 998 617 933

R Increase/Decrease	R 10 456 909 024	R 1 785 071 644
% Growth	6.3%	1.2%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2025 (Preliminary)	R 822 920 641 233	R 762 602 782 185	R 60 317 859 048
January to May 2024 (Revised)	R 830 047 032 666	R 766 119 298 435	R 63 927 734 231

R Increase/Decrease	R -7 126 391 434	R -3 516 516 250
% Growth	-0.9%	-0.5%

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products increased by	R 1 655 million (17%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones increased by	R 8 466 million (30%)
Section 15:	Base metals increased by	R 1 700 million (12%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics increased by	R 1 301 million (11%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments decreased by	R 2 727 million (-10%)

IMPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by	R 1 128 million (-28%)
Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 3 403 million (13%)
Section 15:	Base metals increased by	R 711 million (9%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics decreased by	R 1 507 million (-4%)
Section 23:	Original equipment components increased by	R 770 million (6%)

Preliminary International Trade (Excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2025 (Preliminary)	R 158 511 269 071	R 148 515 687 645	R 9 995 581 426
April 2025 (Revised)	R 148 805 951 556	R 146 607 001 949	R 2 198 949 607
R Increase/Decrease	R 9 705 317 515	R 1 908 685 696	
% Growth	6.5%	1.3%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2025 (Preliminary)	R 739 223 141 860	R 733 870 199 777	R 5 352 942 083
January to May 2024 (Revised)	R 748 757 791 923	R 738 664 390 659	R 10 093 401 264
R Increase/Decrease	R -9 534 650 064	R -4 794 190 882	
% Growth	-1.3%	-0.6%	

BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2025 (Preliminary)	R 17 238 639 014	R 5 563 765 127	R 11 674 873 887
April 2025 (Revised)	R 16 487 047 505	R 5 687 379 179	R 10 799 668 326
R Increase/Decrease	R 751 591 509	R -123 614 052	
% Growth	4.6%	-2.2%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2025 (Preliminary)	R 83 697 499 373	R 28 732 582 408	R 54 964 916 965
January to May 2024 (Revised)	R 81 289 240 743	R 27 454 907 776	R 53 834 332 967
R Increase/Decrease	R 2 408 258 630	R 1 277 674 632	
% Growth	3.0%	4.7%	

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	April 2025	May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	April 2025	May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	45 915.3	48 046.0	4.6%	2.1	12 364.5	16 357.4	32.3%	-2.0
AMERICA	14 329.4	13 723.6	-4.2%	1.8	16 898.6	16 324.8	-3.4%	12.9
ASIA	47 737.1	49 243.6	3.2%	-818.0	79 580.8	78 105.2	-1.9%	25.9
EUROPE	40 937.1	46 677.7	14.0%	-25.1	40 513.7	39 624.1	-2.2%	29.2
OCEANIA	2 300.6	1 276.0	-44.5%	-41.5	2 321.9	2 596.1	11.8%	131.1
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	12 777.5	15 777.4	23.5%	-	614.9	1 071.8	74.3%	0.3
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	1 295.9	1 005.7	-22.4%	-0.3	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	165 293.0	175 749.9	6.3%	-880.9	152 294.4	154 079.5	1.2%	197.3

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 132.1	2 155.9	1.1%	0.3	1 580.2	1 378.3	-12.8%	1.6
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	9 994.4	11 649.6	16.6%	-10.1	4 033.4	2 905.6	-28.0%	131.6
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	686.0	698.4	1.8%	-0.1	1 349.2	1 037.3	-23.1%	3.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	7 476.0	7 583.2	1.4%	-3.2	5 049.3	4 977.7	-1.4%	14.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	42 484.5	43 175.8	1.6%	-849.3	27 200.4	30 603.8	12.5%	-9.3
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	9 824.3	9 226.2	-6.1%	18.1	16 062.8	16 412.8	2.2%	7.5
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 914.9	3 179.4	9.1%	-3.0	6 341.4	6 385.0	0.7%	15.9
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).	349.6	349.9	0.1%	-	350.4	390.0	11.3%	0.3
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.	1 025.0	1 077.7	5.1%	6.5	549.4	626.7	14.1%	0.3
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.	2 636.3	2 639.4	0.1%	-108.1	1 950.8	1 917.1	-1.7%	-0.9
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 334.0	2 027.0	-13.2%	0.8	4 816.3	4 739.7	-1.6%	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.	357.2	371.7	4.1%	-0.0	1 197.1	1 548.6	29.4%	2.0
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	651.0	746.6	14.7%	0.0	1 299.5	1 277.5	-1.7%	5.5
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	27 944.3	36 410.1	30.3%	-1.0	3 290.1	2 977.2	-9.5%	-6.1
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	13 789.7	15 490.1	12.3%	76.0	7 758.8	8 469.8	9.2%	-2.3
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.	11 872.2	13 173.4	11.0%	-4.3	35 789.4	34 282.4	-4.2%	106.4
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	25 986.3	23 259.5	-10.5%	-4.5	14 665.5	14 311.1	-2.4%	-50.2
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	839.3	891.5	6.2%	0.0	3 960.6	3 823.6	-3.5%	0.7
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	908.0	1 071.1	18.0%	1.0	1 732.6	2 077.9	19.9%	-15.8
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	135.4	152.3	12.5%	-	19.5	102.8	428.4%	0.3
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	950.9	419.8	-55.9%	-	381.1	147.9	-61.2%	1.0
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.7	1.1	-33.6%	-	12 916.6	13 686.8	6.0%	-12.9
Total		165 293.0	175 749.9	6.3%	-880.9	152 294.4	154 079.5	1.2%	197.3

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	January to May 2024	January to May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2024	January to May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	227 191.1	230 727.3	1.6%	78 319.7	75 592.2	-3.5%
AMERICA	77 441.5	69 189.6	-10.7%	75 695.6	77 340.1	2.2%
ASIA	247 346.1	237 013.6	-4.2%	380 943.7	395 638.7	3.9%
EUROPE	209 844.0	202 826.0	-3.3%	219 137.5	199 424.8	-9.0%
OCEANIA	9 793.2	7 906.3	-19.3%	9 295.5	12 273.6	32.0%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	52 656.5	69 972.1	32.9%	2 727.4	2 333.4	-14.4%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	5 774.6	5 285.8	-8.5%	-	-	0.0%
Total	830 047.0	822 920.6	-0.9%	766 119.3	762 602.8	-0.5%

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	9 239.9	10 500.1	13.6%	9 459.5	7 281.7	-23.0%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	52 922.4	56 005.6	5.8%	17 222.7	20 289.0	17.8%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	3 323.2	3 365.7	1.3%	5 522.9	5 963.0	8.0%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	33 666.9	34 651.7	2.9%	22 577.0	25 044.6	10.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	216 342.1	208 842.1	-3.5%	162 515.3	147 425.7	-9.3%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	47 358.5	47 071.4	-0.6%	81 563.1	81 202.9	-0.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	13 687.7	14 228.1	3.9%	32 992.6	30 979.3	-6.1%
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).	1 845.0	1 712.4	-7.2%	1 947.8	1 979.5	1.6%
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.	4 341.6	5 170.8	19.1%	3 035.5	3 010.2	-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.	13 640.7	12 768.0	-6.4%	10 117.5	9 549.9	-5.6%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	9 773.1	9 987.2	2.2%	25 985.0	26 300.5	1.2%
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.	1 636.2	1 981.6	21.1%	7 360.5	7 262.1	-1.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3 059.8	3 508.8	14.7%	6 756.9	6 524.1	-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.	144 479.5	152 632.2	5.6%	10 986.4	13 463.0	22.5%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	90 500.5	76 863.1	-15.1%	40 692.0	39 575.0	-2.7%
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.	58 037.8	58 548.9	0.9%	171 750.2	174 823.5	1.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	114 225.5	112 384.3	-1.6%	56 938.0	69 188.0	21.5%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	4 162.1	4 594.9	10.4%	19 096.8	19 062.0	-0.2%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	4 314.1	4 460.1	3.4%	9 168.7	9 354.0	2.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	729.4	603.3	-17.3%	327.0	393.7	20.4%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	2 759.8	3 030.8	9.8%	1 059.3	894.6	-15.5%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.3	9.6	660.0%	69 044.5	63 036.5	-8.7%
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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	8 943.5	10 509.9	17.5%	-10.1	3 929.5	2 766.8	-29.6%	131.6
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	473.5	455.8	-3.7%	-0.1	1 324.7	1 031.8	-22.1%	3.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	5 603.3	5 430.3	-3.1%	-3.2	4 282.8	4 076.7	-4.8%	13.2
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	39 711.3	40 925.0	3.1%	-834.1	27 004.4	30 421.9	12.7%	-9.1
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	8 260.8	7 401.9	-10.4%	17.3	15 303.1	15 755.9	3.0%	7.5
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 228.0	2 428.5	9.0%	-3.0	6 267.3	6 309.5	0.7%	16.0
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).	303.2	305.1	0.6%	-	338.0	381.0	12.8%	0.3
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.	784.5	823.0	4.9%	6.5	336.8	358.0	6.3%	-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.	2 323.0	2 335.7	0.5%	-108.3	1 900.4	1 867.3	-1.7%	-0.9
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 425.9	1 108.3	-22.3%	0.8	4 181.7	4 028.1	-3.7%	4.7
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XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	454.7	554.5	21.9%	0.0	1 286.6	1 260.4	-2.0%	5.5
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	27 929.0	35 751.8	28.0%	-1.0	1 296.3	1 246.1	-3.9%	-6.1
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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.	9 357.0	10 591.0	13.2%	-4.5	35 353.3	33 869.8	-4.2%	106.4
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	24 199.7	21 854.8	-9.7%	-4.5	14 623.0	14 281.0	-2.3%	-51.7
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	590.2	621.1	5.2%	0.0	3 950.7	3 816.5	-3.4%	0.7
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	488.1	602.5	23.4%	1.0	1 718.2	2 063.9	20.1%	-15.8
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	134.3	151.6	12.9%	-	19.4	102.7	430.1%	0.3
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	948.6	416.4	-56.1%	-	380.2	146.3	-61.5%	1.0
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		January to May 2024	January to May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2024	January to May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	7 461.4	8 591.1	15.1%	7 511.4	6 146.7	-18.2%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	47 036.2	50 292.4	6.9%	16 743.7	19 760.9	18.0%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 370.3	2 298.9	-3.0%	5 515.3	5 920.6	7.3%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	23 695.2	24 377.7	2.9%	19 114.6	20 961.0	9.7%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	203 148.3	195 753.4	-3.6%	161 446.3	146 505.4	-9.3%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	39 796.4	38 792.2	-2.5%	76 684.7	76 686.1	0.0%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	10 049.0	10 604.5	5.5%	32 593.3	30 594.5	-6.1%
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).	1 611.0	1 482.8	-8.0%	1 895.7	1 933.9	2.0%
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.	3 309.9	3 976.7	20.1%	1 920.8	1 848.5	-3.8%
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.	11 939.0	11 151.2	-6.6%	9 880.6	9 304.0	-5.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	5 924.0	5 724.0	-3.4%	22 773.0	22 853.4	0.4%
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.	693.4	958.3	38.2%	7 277.7	7 175.3	-1.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	2 164.6	2 452.9	13.3%	6 698.8	6 459.5	-3.6%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	142 995.5	151 252.9	5.8%	3 815.5	4 533.6	18.8%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	85 179.1	71 484.6	-16.1%	40 262.8	38 986.0	-3.2%
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.	45 714.8	45 748.8	0.1%	169 236.6	172 604.0	2.0%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	106 708.5	104 853.6	-1.7%	56 710.8	68 969.5	21.6%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	3 070.6	3 389.7	10.4%	19 045.0	19 015.6	-0.2%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 430.9	2 415.1	-0.7%	9 115.2	9 295.2	2.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	720.2	598.8	-16.8%	326.6	393.2	20.4%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	2 738.7	3 013.9	10.0%	1 051.7	886.9	-15.7%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.9	9.5	996.7%	69 044.4	63 036.5	-8.7%
Total		748 757.8	739 223.1	-1.3%	738 664.4	733 870.2	-0.6%

Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement

<p>METHODOLOGY</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:	April 2025 Revision / May 2025							
World Zone	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	April 2025	May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	April 2025	May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	16 487.0	17 238.6	4.6%	-14.5	5 687.4	5 563.8	-2.2%	4.3
Total	16 487.0	17 238.6	4.6%	-14.5	5 687.4	5 563.8	-2.2%	4.3

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		April 2025	May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	April 2025	May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	379.1	395.8	4.4%	-0.5	251.8	223.9	-11.1%	1.7
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	1 050.9	1 139.7	8.5%	-0.0	104.0	138.8	33.5%	0.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	212.5	242.6	14.1%	-	24.4	5.5	-77.6%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 872.7	2 152.8	15.0%	0.0	766.5	901.0	17.5%	0.9
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	2 773.2	2 250.8	-18.8%	-15.2	196.0	181.9	-7.2%	-0.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 563.5	1 824.3	16.7%	0.8	759.7	656.9	-13.5%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	686.9	750.9	9.3%	-0.0	74.1	75.5	1.9%	-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).	46.4	44.8	-3.5%	-	12.4	8.9	-28.2%	-
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.	240.5	254.7	5.9%	0.0	212.7	268.7	26.4%	0.3
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.	313.3	303.8	-3.0%	0.2	50.5	49.8	-1.3%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	908.2	918.7	1.2%	-0.0	634.7	711.6	12.1%	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.	204.6	210.2	2.8%	-0.0	16.6	16.8	1.6%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	196.3	192.1	-2.1%	0.0	12.9	17.1	32.1%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	15.3	658.3	4208.1%	0.0	1 993.8	1 731.1	-13.2%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	1 049.6	1 168.8	11.4%	-0.0	73.5	110.8	50.7%	0.1
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	2 515.2	2 582.4	2.7%	0.1	436.1	412.6	-5.4%	0.1
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 786.6	1 404.7	-21.4%	-0.0	42.5	30.2	-29.1%	1.5
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	249.1	270.5	8.6%	-0.0	9.9	7.1	-28.2%	-0.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	419.9	468.7	11.6%	-0.0	14.4	14.0	-2.9%	0.0
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	1.1	0.8	-29.1%	-	0.1	0.0	-31.1%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	2.2	3.4	49.8%	-	0.9	1.6	72.8%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.0	-95.1%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		16 487.0	17 238.6	4.6%	-14.5	5 687.4	5 563.8	-2.2%	4.3

Preliminary BELN Cumulative Statement

<p>METHODOLOGY</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

PERIOD:	January to May 2024 / January to May 2025					
World Zone	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to May 2024	January to May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2024	January to May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	81 289.2	83 697.5	3.0%	27 454.9	28 732.6	4.7%
Total	81 289.2	83 697.5	3.0%	27 454.9	28 732.6	4.7%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to May 2024	January to May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2024	January to May 2025	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 778.5	1 908.9	7.3%	1 948.1	1 135.0	-41.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	5 886.2	5 713.2	-2.9%	479.0	528.1	10.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	952.9	1 066.9	12.0%	7.6	42.4	461.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	9 971.7	10 274.0	3.0%	3 462.4	4 083.7	17.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	13 193.8	13 088.8	-0.8%	1 069.0	920.3	-13.9%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	7 562.2	8 279.3	9.5%	4 878.5	4 516.8	-7.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3 638.7	3 623.5	-0.4%	399.3	384.8	-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).	233.9	229.6	-1.9%	52.1	45.6	-12.5%
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.	1 031.6	1 194.1	15.7%	1 114.7	1 161.7	4.2%
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.	1 701.8	1 616.8	-5.0%	236.9	245.8	3.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	3 849.1	4 263.2	10.8%	3 212.0	3 447.2	7.3%
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.	942.8	1 023.3	8.5%	82.8	86.7	4.7%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	895.3	1 055.9	17.9%	58.1	64.6	11.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	1 484.1	1 379.3	-7.1%	7 170.9	8 929.4	24.5%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	5 321.4	5 378.5	1.1%	429.2	588.9	37.2%
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.	12 323.0	12 800.0	3.9%	2 513.7	2 219.5	-11.7%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	7 517.0	7 530.6	0.2%	227.2	218.5	-3.8%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 091.4	1 205.2	10.4%	51.8	46.4	-10.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 883.2	2 045.0	8.6%	53.5	58.8	9.8%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	9.2	4.4	-51.9%	0.4	0.6	27.7%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	21.1	16.9	-19.7%	7.6	7.7	1.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.4	0.1	-82.2%	0.0	-	-100.0%
Total		81 289.2	83 697.5	3.0%	27 454.9	28 732.6	4.7%