



SARS Preliminary Trade Statistics

	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TRADE BALANCE
September 2011 (prelim)	R	67,768,425,972	R	65,254,851,369	R 2,513,574,603
August 2011	R	60,997,649,446	R	64,735,395,204	R -3,737,745,758
R Increase/Decrease	R	6,770,776,526	R	519,456,165	
% Growth		11.1%		0.8%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

January to September 2011 (Prelim)	R	512,018,841,965	R	518,164,595,812	R -6,145,753,847
January to September 2010	R	426,911,750,951	R	436,870,685,519	R -9,958,934,568
R Increase/Decrease	R	85,107,091,014	R	81,293,910,293	
% Growth		19.9%		18.6%	

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by R 701 million (-23%).
Section 5:	Mineral products increased by R1 969 million (14%).
Section 6:	Products of the chemical or allied industries increased by R 591 million (16%).
Section 14:	Precious and semi-precious stones and metals increased by R4 172 million (28%).
Section 15:	Base metals and articles thereof decreased by R 301 million (-4%).
Section 17:	Vehicles, aircraft and vessels increased by R 728 million (14%).

IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by R1 102 million (-8%).
Section 16:	Machinery and electrical appliances increased by R1 074 million (7%).
Section 17:	Vehicles, aircraft and vessels decreased by R 229 million (-3%).
Section 23:	Original equipment components decreased by R 717 million (-16%).

PRELIMINARY SA 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 ZONES AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World zone	Jan - Sep 2011 / Jan - Sep 2010					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	Jan - Sep 2011	Jan - Sep 2010	Percentage increase / decrease	Jan - Sep 2011	Jan - Sep 2010	Percentage increase / decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	77,337.3	65,313.2	18.4%	38,827.1	35,067.0	10.7%
Europe	135,495.9	118,447.1	14.4%	171,702.1	149,041.1	15.2%
America	58,240.7	49,760.9	17.0%	66,849.9	51,751.6	29.2%
Asia	180,534.1	142,682.8	26.5%	229,872.6	191,062.4	20.3%
Oceania	5,154.0	5,475.7	-5.9%	9,674.8	8,095.9	19.5%
Other Unclassified Goods	55,138.9	44,864.2	22.9%	1,238.1	1,852.6	-33.2%
Ships/Aircraft Stores	117.9	367.8	-67.9%			
Total	512,018.8	426,911.8	19.9%	518,164.6	436,870.7	18.6%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		Jan - Sep 2011	Jan - Sep 2010	Percentage increase / decrease	Jan - Sep 2011	Jan - Sep 2010	Percentage increase / decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products	3,735.9	3,909.5	-4.4%	4,742.9	3,726.6	27.3%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products	20,705.6	17,459.0	18.6%	9,172.6	6,772.5	35.4%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats & oils & their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal & vegetable waxes	1,207.3	879.8	37.2%	5,744.8	4,205.6	36.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits & vinegar; tobacco & manufactured tobacco substitutes	13,828.7	14,799.3	-6.6%	11,981.7	10,752.9	11.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products	125,042.8	89,739.8	39.3%	113,179.9	87,434.3	29.4%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemical or allied industries	27,643.4	23,307.7	18.6%	48,172.4	42,078.3	14.5%
VII (39-40)	Plastics & articles thereof; rubber & articles thereof	8,623.9	6,867.0	25.6%	20,522.5	18,182.8	12.9%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides & skins, leather, fur skins & articles thereof; saddlery & harness; travel goods, h&bags & similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm gut)	1,576.8	1,071.9	47.1%	1,795.0	1,659.6	8.2%
IX (44-46)	Wood & articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork & articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basketware & wickerwork	1,930.1	2,124.8	-9.2%	1,853.1	1,723.9	7.5%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste & scrap of paper or paperboard; paper & paperboard of paper or paperboard; paper & paperboard & articles thereof	9,138.6	8,024.8	13.9%	7,417.2	7,147.8	3.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles & textile articles	3,624.3	3,236.7	12.0%	15,655.7	13,561.1	15.4%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops & parts thereof; prepared feathers & articles made therewith; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	256.7	250.7	2.4%	5,474.4	4,363.0	25.5%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass & glassware	1,686.0	1,540.6	9.4%	5,743.5	5,591.6	2.7%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal & articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin	131,965.0	108,931.0	21.1%	5,576.7	4,566.8	22.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals & articles of base metal	70,671.9	67,874.7	4.1%	23,954.9	21,053.6	13.8%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery & mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders & reproducers; television image & sound recorders & reproducers, & parts & accessories of such articles	41,347.5	34,381.1	20.3%	125,980.1	110,267.5	14.2%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels & associated transport equipment	41,498.0	34,485.8	20.3%	56,395.0	44,205.5	27.6%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments & apparatus; clocks & watches; musical instruments; parts & accessories thereof	2,649.5	2,001.3	32.4%	13,712.6	11,863.1	15.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	3,281.8	3,619.3	-9.3%	7,455.5	6,973.5	6.9%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collector's pieces & antiques	202.4	213.2	-5.0%	167.7	95.7	75.2%
XXII	Other unclassified goods	1,388.4	2,178.4	-36.3%	420.6	1,215.2	-65.4%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions; original equipment components/parts for motor vehicles	14.2	15.2	-6.7%	33,045.8	29,429.9	12.3%
Total		512,018.8	426,911.8	19.9%	518,164.6	436,870.7	18.6%

PRELIMINARY SA MONTHLY STATEMENT

<p>METHODOLOGY COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES. ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS A RESULT OF AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION IN RESPECT OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS</p>	<p>Monthly export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of goods. The figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month to and from South Africa. Cursory checks of the figures are made prior to publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.</p>
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WORLD ZONES AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	September 2011 / August 2011								
	World zone	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		September 2011	August 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	August adjustment	September 2011	August 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	August adjustment
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm	
Africa	10,613.2	9,444.4	12.4%	-10.4	3,935.1	5,147.0	-23.5%	-0.0	
Europe	17,332.0	15,213.6	13.9%	-	21,295.3	20,832.1	2.2%	0.1	
America	8,011.9	7,342.5	9.1%	-	7,785.6	7,988.6	-2.5%	1.8	
Asia	22,185.0	21,750.3	2.0%	-10.6	31,193.4	28,875.0	8.0%	-0.6	
Oceania	597.9	660.5	-9.5%	-	956.7	1,674.3	-42.9%	-0.0	
Other Unclassified Goods	9,016.2	6,574.6	37.1%	-	88.8	218.2	-59.3%	-	
Ships/Aircraft Stores	12.3	11.8	4.2%	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	67,768.4	60,997.6	11.1%	-21.0	65,254.9	64,735.4	0.8%	1.3	

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		September 2011	August 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	August adjustment	September 2011	August 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	August adjustment
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products	354.3	451.0	-21.4%	-	568.1	623.1	-8.8%	-
II (6-14)	Vegetable products	2,303.4	3,004.6	-23.3%	-	1,200.6	1,064.8	12.8%	-0.0
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats & oils & their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal & vegetable waxes	138.6	155.6	-10.9%	-10.5	823.7	650.7	26.6%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits & vinegar; tobacco & manufactured tobacco substitutes	1,998.8	1,829.8	9.2%	-	1,706.8	1,459.0	17.0%	-0.3
V (25-27)	Mineral products	16,472.4	14,503.3	13.6%	-	12,622.0	13,723.6	-8.0%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemical or allied industries	4,178.3	3,587.3	16.5%	-	6,472.7	6,163.4	5.0%	2.6
VII (39-40)	Plastics & articles thereof; rubber & articles thereof	1,086.0	1,040.2	4.4%	-	2,527.1	2,465.6	2.5%	0.8
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides & skins, leather, fur skins & articles thereof; saddlery & harness; travel goods, h&bags & similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm gut)	199.6	170.2	17.2%	-	260.6	241.0	8.1%	0.2
IX (44-46)	Wood & articles of wood; wood charcoal; cork & articles of cork; manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basketware & wickerwork	150.5	258.6	-41.8%	-	200.5	224.0	-10.5%	-
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste & scrap of paper or paperboard; paper & paperboard of paper or paperboard; paper & paperboard & articles thereof	1,011.1	1,185.7	-14.7%	-	969.4	945.4	2.5%	-0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles & textile articles	444.9	383.7	16.0%	-10.5	2,159.0	1,983.9	8.8%	-0.1
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops & parts thereof; prepared feathers & articles made therewith; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	29.2	36.1	-19.0%	-	825.1	818.2	0.9%	0.0
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass & glassware	195.9	216.7	-9.6%	-	794.5	743.6	6.8%	0.2
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal & articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin	19,247.1	15,075.2	27.7%	-	842.3	741.9	13.5%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals & articles of base metal	7,377.5	7,678.0	-3.9%	-0.1	2,994.4	2,976.4	0.6%	-0.6
XVI (84-85)	Machinery & mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders & reproducers; television image & sound recorders & reproducers, & parts & accessories of such articles	5,509.7	5,178.3	6.4%	-	16,450.8	15,376.9	7.0%	-0.6
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels & associated transport equipment	5,972.0	5,243.7	13.9%	0.1	6,996.3	7,224.9	-3.2%	1.8
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments & apparatus; clocks & watches; musical instruments; parts & accessories thereof	590.7	281.5	109.9%	-	1,730.5	1,573.4	10.0%	-0.3
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	414.9	386.4	7.4%	-	1,224.4	1,112.5	10.1%	0.1
XXI (97)	Works of art, collector's pieces & antiques	18.0	18.5	-3.2%	-	13.2	13.6	-3.1%	-
XXII	Other unclassified goods	74.1	313.0	-76.3%	-	55.6	75.8	-26.7%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions; original equipment components/parts for motor vehicles	1.3	0.4	254.7%	-	3,817.1	4,533.7	-15.8%	-2.1
Total		67,768.4	60,997.6	11.1%	-21.0	65,254.9	64,735.4	0.8%	1.3