



## DETAILED SA TRADE STATISTICS

### SARS Preliminary Trade Statistics

|                        | EXPORTS |                | IMPORTS |                | TRADE BALANCE     |
|------------------------|---------|----------------|---------|----------------|-------------------|
| February 2012 (prelim) | R       | 56,254,828,351 | R       | 63,740,780,343 | R -7,485,951,992  |
| January 2012           | R       | 54,003,269,263 | R       | 67,506,493,448 | R -13,503,224,185 |
| R Increase/Decrease    | R       | 2,251,559,088  | R       | -3,765,713,105 |                   |
| % Growth               |         | 4.2%           |         | -5.6%          |                   |

#### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

|                                   |   |                 |   |                 |                   |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------|---|-----------------|-------------------|
| January to February 2012 (Prelim) | R | 110,258,097,614 | R | 131,247,273,791 | R -20,989,176,177 |
| January to February 2011          | R | 96,731,414,242  | R | 102,218,017,695 | R -5,486,603,453  |
| R Increase/Decrease               | R | 13,526,683,372  | R | 29,029,256,096  |                   |
| % Growth                          |   | 14.0%           |   | 28.4%           |                   |

#### COMMENTS

##### Month on month increase/decrease

##### EXPORTS

Section 5: Mineral products decreased by R1 172 million (-8%).  
Section 15: Base metals and articles thereof increased by R1 045 million (14%).  
Section 16: Machinery and electrical appliances increased by R1 321 million (34%).  
Section 17: Vehicles, aircraft and vessels increased by R2 089 million (73%).

##### IMPORTS

Section 5: Mineral products increased by R3 050 million (22%).  
Section 7: Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof decreased by R572 million (-20%).  
Section 15: Base metals and articles thereof decreased by R 523 million (-15%).  
Section 16: Machinery and electrical appliances decreased by R3 747 million (-22%).  
Section 17: Vehicles, aircraft and vessels decreased by R1 373 million (-18%).  
Section 23: Original equipment components increased by R 216 million (6%).

**PRELIMINARY SA MONTHLY STATEMENT**

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| <p><b>METHODOLOGY</b><br/>         COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES.<br/>         ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS A RESULT OF<br/>         AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION IN RESPECT OF<br/>         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:                  | February 2012 / January 2012 |                 |              |                                |                    |                 |              |                                |                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
|                          | World zone                   | EXPORTS         |              |                                |                    | IMPORTS         |              |                                |                    |
|                          |                              | February 2012   | January 2012 | Percentage increase / decrease | January adjustment | February 2012   | January 2012 | Percentage increase / decrease | January adjustment |
|                          | Rm                           | Rm              |              | Rm                             | Rm                 | Rm              |              | Rm                             |                    |
| Africa                   | 9,630.1                      | 7,407.8         | 30.0%        | -                              | 4,491.3            | 3,720.3         | 20.7%        | -                              |                    |
| Europe                   | 14,468.4                     | 14,772.0        | -2.1%        | -                              | 19,760.8           | 21,056.6        | -6.2%        | -                              |                    |
| America                  | 5,453.6                      | 5,931.3         | -8.1%        | -                              | 7,620.3            | 8,514.5         | -10.5%       | -                              |                    |
| Asia                     | 18,933.4                     | 19,884.4        | -4.8%        | -2,057.2                       | 30,430.5           | 32,898.3        | -7.5%        | -                              |                    |
| Oceania                  | 643.5                        | 531.5           | 21.1%        | -                              | 1,102.5            | 1,233.2         | -10.6%       | -                              |                    |
| Other Unclassified Goods | 7,108.2                      | 5,463.7         | 30.1%        | -                              | 335.4              | 83.7            | 300.8%       | -                              |                    |
| Ships/Aircraft Stores    | 17.6                         | 12.5            | 40.6%        | -                              |                    |                 |              | -                              |                    |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>56,254.8</b>              | <b>54,003.3</b> | <b>4.2%</b>  | <b>-2,057.2</b>                | <b>63,740.8</b>    | <b>67,506.5</b> | <b>-5.6%</b> | <b>-</b>                       |                    |

**SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM**

| Section (chapter) | Description   | EXPORTS         |                 |                                |                    | IMPORTS         |                 |                                |                    |
|-------------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
|                   |   | February 2012   | January 2012    | Percentage increase / decrease | January adjustment | February 2012   | January 2012    | Percentage increase / decrease | January adjustment |
|                   |   | Rm              | Rm              |                                | Rm                 | Rm              | Rm              |                                | Rm                 |
| I (1-5)           | Live animals, animal products   | 460.1           | 387.6           | 18.7%                          | -                  | 685.6           | 756.7           | -9.4%                          | -                  |
| II (6-14)         | Vegetable products  | 1,900.9         | 2,056.4         | -7.6%                          | -                  | 1,323.8         | 1,265.3         | 4.6%                           | -                  |
| III (15)          | Animal or vegetable fats & oils & their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal & vegetable waxes   | 124.1           | 107.9           | 15.0%                          | -                  | 776.6           | 700.4           | 10.9%                          | -                  |
| IV (16-24)        | Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits & vinegar; tobacco & manufactured tobacco substitutes   | 1,520.7         | 1,185.6         | 28.3%                          | -                  | 1,670.8         | 1,521.1         | 9.8%                           | -                  |
| V (25-27)         | Mineral products  | 14,165.7        | 16,190.1        | -12.5%                         | -852.2             | 16,699.5        | 13,650.0        | 22.3%                          | -                  |
| VI (28-38)        | Products of the chemical or allied industries   | 2,851.0         | 4,053.3         | -29.7%                         | -1,202.0           | 5,652.2         | 6,020.2         | -6.1%                          | -                  |
| VII (39-40)       | Plastics & articles thereof; rubber & articles thereof  | 1,138.1         | 863.1           | 31.9%                          | -                  | 2,333.6         | 2,905.5         | -19.7%                         | -                  |
| 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)                               | 198.2           | 164.7           | 20.4%                          | -                  | 194.6           | 234.9           | -17.1%                         | -                  |
| 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  | 252.5           | 190.4           | 32.6%                          | -                  | 268.8           | 298.1           | -9.8%                          | -                  |
| 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                            | 966.6           | 955.1           | 1.2%                           | -                  | 808.9           | 930.4           | -13.1%                         | -                  |
| XI (50-63)        | Textiles & textile articles   | 493.8           | 429.5           | 15.0%                          | -                  | 2,097.3         | 2,286.8         | -8.3%                          | 0.0                |
| 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 | 41.6            | 20.4            | 103.7%                         | -                  | 737.5           | 945.5           | -22.0%                         | -0.0               |
| XIII (68-70)      | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass & glassware  | 176.1           | 146.1           | 20.5%                          | -                  | 621.0           | 783.9           | -20.8%                         | -                  |
| XIV (71)          | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal & articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin  | 12,838.0        | 12,494.9        | 2.7%                           | -                  | 887.0           | 726.4           | 22.1%                          | -                  |
| XV (72-83)        | Base metals & articles of base metal  | 8,311.4         | 7,266.8         | 14.4%                          | -                  | 2,941.7         | 3,464.3         | -15.1%                         | -                  |
| XVI (84-85)       | Machinery & mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders & reproducers; television image & sound recorders & reproducers, & parts & accessories of such articles         | 5,160.3         | 3,839.3         | 34.4%                          | -                  | 13,483.7        | 17,230.4        | -21.7%                         | -0.0               |
| XVII (86-89)      | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels & associated transport equipment  | 4,964.8         | 2,876.0         | 72.6%                          | -                  | 6,207.3         | 7,580.0         | -18.1%                         | -                  |
| XVIII (90-92)     | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments & apparatus; clocks & watches; musical instruments; parts & accessories thereof                 | 271.4           | 238.9           | 13.6%                          | -                  | 1,592.7         | 1,492.4         | 6.7%                           | 0.0                |
| XX (94-96)        | Miscellaneous manufactured articles   | 344.4           | 278.1           | 23.8%                          | -                  | 774.2           | 998.4           | -22.5%                         | -                  |
| XXI (97)          | Works of art, collector's pieces & antiques   | 23.4            | 16.0            | 46.4%                          | -                  | 10.5            | 12.4            | -15.9%                         | -                  |
| XXII              | Other unclassified goods  | 51.4            | 241.1           | -78.7%                         | -                  | 116.2           | 61.8            | 87.9%                          | -                  |
| XXIII (98)        | Special classification provisions; original equipment components/parts for motor vehicles   | 0.5             | 1.9             | -73.9%                         | -                  | 3,857.3         | 3,641.5         | 5.9%                           | -                  |
| <b>Total</b>      |   | <b>56,254.8</b> | <b>54,003.3</b> | <b>4.2%</b>                    | <b>-2,057.2</b>    | <b>63,740.8</b> | <b>67,506.5</b> | <b>-5.6%</b>                   | <b>-</b>           |

**PRELIMINARY SA CUMULATIVE STATEMENT**

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**WORLD ZONES AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES**

| PERIOD:<br><br>World zone | Jan - Feb 2012 / Jan - Feb 2011 |                 |                                |                  |                  |                                |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
|                           | EXPORTS                         |                 |                                | IMPORTS          |                  |                                |
|                           | Jan - Feb 2012                  | Jan - Feb 2011  | Percentage increase / decrease | Jan - Feb 2012   | Jan - Feb 2011   | Percentage increase / decrease |
|                           | Rm                              | Rm              |                                | Rm               | Rm               |                                |
| Africa                    | 17,037.9                        | 14,205.9        | 19.9%                          | 8,211.6          | 9,119.3          | -10.0%                         |
| Europe                    | 29,240.4                        | 27,612.3        | 5.9%                           | 40,817.4         | 34,056.6         | 19.9%                          |
| America                   | 11,384.9                        | 9,992.9         | 13.9%                          | 16,134.8         | 12,231.0         | 31.9%                          |
| Asia                      | 38,817.7                        | 34,975.7        | 11.0%                          | 63,328.7         | 44,696.9         | 41.7%                          |
| Oceania                   | 1,175.1                         | 840.4           | 39.8%                          | 2,335.7          | 1,921.8          | 21.5%                          |
| Other Unclassified Goods  | 12,571.9                        | 9,081.7         | 38.4%                          | 419.1            | 192.4            | 117.8%                         |
| Ships/Aircraft Stores     | 30.1                            | 22.5            | 33.6%                          |                  |                  |                                |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>110,258.1</b>                | <b>96,731.4</b> | <b>14.0%</b>                   | <b>131,247.3</b> | <b>102,218.0</b> | <b>28.4%</b>                   |

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| Section (chapter) | Description   | EXPORTS          |                 |                                | IMPORTS          |                  |                                |
|-------------------|---|------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
|                   |   | Jan - Feb 2012   | Jan - Feb 2011  | Percentage increase / decrease | Jan - Feb 2012   | Jan - Feb 2011   | Percentage increase / decrease |
|                   |   | Rm               | Rm              |                                | Rm               | Rm               |                                |
| I (1-5)           | Live animals, animal products   | 847.7            | 819.6           | 3.4%                           | 1,442.4          | 851.0            | 69.5%                          |
| II (6-14)         | Vegetable products  | 3,957.3          | 3,398.6         | 16.4%                          | 2,589.1          | 2,008.3          | 28.9%                          |
| III (15)          | Animal or vegetable fats & oils & their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal & vegetable waxes   | 232.0            | 190.8           | 21.6%                          | 1,477.1          | 1,235.8          | 19.5%                          |
| IV (16-24)        | Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits & vinegar; tobacco & manufactured tobacco substitutes   | 2,706.3          | 2,271.4         | 19.1%                          | 3,191.9          | 2,329.6          | 37.0%                          |
| V (25-27)         | Mineral products  | 30,355.7         | 23,465.4        | 29.4%                          | 30,349.5         | 23,101.4         | 31.4%                          |
| VI (28-38)        | Products of the chemical or allied industries   | 6,904.2          | 5,798.1         | 19.1%                          | 11,672.3         | 9,097.0          | 28.3%                          |
| VII (39-40)       | Plastics & articles thereof; rubber & articles thereof  | 2,001.2          | 1,536.2         | 30.3%                          | 5,239.0          | 3,936.2          | 33.1%                          |
| 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)                               | 362.9            | 340.1           | 6.7%                           | 429.5            | 379.6            | 13.1%                          |
| 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  | 442.9            | 422.7           | 4.8%                           | 566.9            | 450.6            | 25.8%                          |
| 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                            | 1,921.7          | 1,800.3         | 6.7%                           | 1,739.3          | 1,560.5          | 11.5%                          |
| XI (50-63)        | Textiles & textile articles   | 923.3            | 669.9           | 37.8%                          | 4,384.1          | 3,449.4          | 27.1%                          |
| 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 | 62.0             | 43.2            | 43.5%                          | 1,683.0          | 1,250.4          | 34.6%                          |
| XIII (68-70)      | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass & glassware  | 322.2            | 282.3           | 14.1%                          | 1,405.0          | 1,100.0          | 27.7%                          |
| XIV (71)          | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal & articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin  | 25,332.8         | 23,963.5        | 5.7%                           | 1,613.4          | 1,183.1          | 36.4%                          |
| XV (72-83)        | Base metals & articles of base metal  | 15,578.2         | 16,089.6        | -3.2%                          | 6,405.9          | 4,490.0          | 42.7%                          |
| XVI (84-85)       | Machinery & mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders & reproducers; television image & sound recorders & reproducers, & parts & accessories of such articles         | 8,999.6          | 7,636.4         | 17.9%                          | 30,714.0         | 24,314.0         | 26.3%                          |
| XVII (86-89)      | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels & associated transport equipment  | 7,840.8          | 6,662.4         | 17.7%                          | 13,787.3         | 10,587.6         | 30.2%                          |
| XVIII (90-92)     | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments & apparatus; clocks & watches; musical instruments; parts & accessories thereof                 | 510.3            | 444.4           | 14.8%                          | 3,085.1          | 2,612.9          | 18.1%                          |
| XX (94-96)        | Miscellaneous manufactured articles   | 622.5            | 622.4           | 0.0%                           | 1,772.6          | 1,316.6          | 34.6%                          |
| XXI (97)          | Works of art, collector's pieces & antiques   | 39.4             | 26.0            | 51.5%                          | 22.9             | 30.8             | -25.5%                         |
| XXII              | Other unclassified goods  | 292.5            | 243.6           | 20.1%                          | 178.0            | 58.2             | 205.7%                         |
| XXIII (98)        | Special classification provisions; original equipment components/parts for motor vehicles   | 2.4              | 4.5             | -46.9%                         | 7,498.8          | 6,875.0          | 9.1%                           |
| <b>Total</b>      |   | <b>110,258.1</b> | <b>96,731.4</b> | <b>14.0%</b>                   | <b>131,247.3</b> | <b>102,218.0</b> | <b>28.4%</b>                   |