



SARS Preliminary Trade Statistics

	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TRADE BALANCE
June 2012 (prelim)	R	61,697,062,148	R	67,423,916,028	R -5,726,853,880
May 2012	R	62,791,117,707	R	71,719,177,503	R -8,928,059,796
R Increase/Decrease	R	-1,094,055,559	R	-4,295,261,475	
% Growth		-1.7%		-6.0%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

January to June 2012 (Prelim)	R	347,758,011,030	R	398,852,337,424	R -51,094,326,394
January to June 2011	R	326,002,565,661	R	328,529,812,419	R -2,527,246,758
R Increase/Decrease	R	21,755,445,369	R	70,322,525,005	
% Growth		6.7%		21.4%	

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

- Section 2: Vegetable products increased by R 699 million (27%).
 Section 5: Mineral products decreased by R2 337 million (-13%).
 Section 14: Precious and semi-precious stones and metals increased by R 486 million (3%).
 Section 15: Base metals and articles thereof increased by R 118 million (2%).
 Section 17: Vehicles, aircraft and vessels increased by R 814 million (15%).

IMPORTS

- Section 5: Mineral products decreased by R2 095 million (-11%).
 Section 6: Products of the chemicals or allied industries decreased by R 657 million (-11%).
 Section 15: Base metals and articles thereof decreased by R 498 million (-14%).
 Section 16: Machinery and electrical appliances decreased by R1 204 million (-7%).
 Section 17: Vehicles, aircraft and vessels increased by R 525 million (7%).
 Section 23: Original equipment components decreased by R 461 million (-10%).

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 - Jun 2012 / Jan - Jun 2011					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	Jan - Jun 2012	Jan - Jun 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	Jan - Jun 2012	Jan - Jun 2011	Percentage increase / decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	58,491.7	48,040.1	21.8%	36,335.8	25,678.4	41.5%
Europe	82,758.4	88,192.4	-6.2%	121,565.3	111,399.5	9.1%
America	38,930.9	37,215.8	4.6%	48,968.0	42,265.1	15.9%
Asia	123,627.1	116,062.9	6.5%	184,077.8	142,871.6	28.8%
Oceania	4,022.7	3,298.2	22.0%	6,800.5	5,577.3	21.9%
Other Unclassified Goods	39,836.8	33,111.6	20.3%	1,104.9	737.7	49.8%
Ships/Aircraft Stores	90.4	81.6	10.8%			
Total	347,758.0	326,002.6	6.7%	398,852.3	328,529.8	21.4%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		Jan - Jun 2012	Jan - Jun 2011	Percentage increase / decrease	Jan - Jun 2012	Jan - Jun 2011	Percentage increase / decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products	2,649.0	2,542.6	4.2%	4,313.1	2,944.7	46.5%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products	13,512.3	12,568.1	7.5%	6,849.1	5,911.9	15.9%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats & oils & their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal & vegetable waxes	919.9	720.5	27.7%	4,090.3	3,809.8	7.4%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits & vinegar; tobacco & manufactured tobacco substitutes	9,965.2	8,329.7	19.6%	9,341.5	7,536.3	24.0%
V (25-27)	Mineral products	96,041.0	79,022.2	21.5%	96,250.6	73,802.2	30.4%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemical or allied industries	18,991.8	17,456.4	8.8%	33,980.1	29,706.8	14.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics & articles thereof; rubber & articles thereof	6,698.0	5,447.8	22.9%	15,673.0	13,220.5	18.6%
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)	1,120.7	1,044.2	7.3%	1,172.1	1,090.1	7.5%
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	1,310.7	1,288.8	1.7%	1,459.6	1,232.4	18.4%
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	5,522.2	5,272.9	4.7%	4,993.8	4,722.6	5.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles & textile articles	2,900.2	2,514.3	15.3%	11,140.8	9,720.7	14.6%
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	216.9	166.7	30.1%	4,041.4	3,196.3	26.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass & glassware	1,140.6	1,080.1	5.6%	4,121.0	3,554.0	16.0%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal & articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin	77,450.5	83,341.2	-7.1%	4,345.4	3,132.5	38.7%
XV (72-83)	Base metals & articles of base metal	46,803.7	48,904.4	-4.3%	19,081.3	15,312.6	24.6%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery & mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders & reproducers; television image & sound recorders & reproducers, & parts & accessories of such articles	29,210.6	26,021.1	12.3%	94,535.1	79,502.7	18.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels & associated transport equipment	28,477.2	25,656.3	11.0%	42,363.4	35,753.9	18.5%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments & apparatus; clocks & watches; musical instruments; parts & accessories thereof	1,718.3	1,501.9	14.4%	9,997.1	8,899.7	12.3%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,035.2	2,137.2	-4.8%	5,573.2	4,320.2	29.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collector's pieces & antiques	136.8	137.2	-0.3%	74.0	85.6	-13.5%
XXII	Other unclassified goods	929.9	837.3	11.1%	471.2	257.9	82.7%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions; original equipment components/parts for motor vehicles	7.5	11.8	-36.7%	24,985.5	20,816.6	20.0%
Total		347,758.0	326,002.6	6.7%	398,852.3	328,529.8	21.4%

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: World zone	June 2012 / May 2012							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	June 2012	May 2012	Percentage increase / decrease	May adjustment	June 2012	May 2012	Percentage increase / decrease	May adjustment
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	11,028.4	11,350.5	-2.8%	-0.0	7,213.7	9,333.2	-22.7%	-
Europe	14,363.9	15,503.4	-7.3%	-	19,682.9	20,513.0	-4.0%	-
America	6,898.0	6,638.0	3.9%	-	8,615.7	8,060.4	6.9%	-
Asia	21,633.1	22,062.2	-1.9%	-	30,856.2	32,037.4	-3.7%	-
Oceania	840.3	728.2	15.4%	-	889.5	1,645.7	-46.0%	-
Other Unclassified Goods	6,916.0	6,490.7	6.6%	-	166.0	129.4	28.4%	-
Ships/Aircraft Stores	17.3	18.1	-4.1%	-	-	-	-	-
Total	61,697.1	62,791.1	-1.7%	-0.0	67,423.9	71,719.2	-6.0%	-

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		June 2012	May 2012	Percentage increase / decrease	May adjustment	June 2012	May 2012	Percentage increase / decrease	May adjustment
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products	480.7	496.6	-3.2%	-	677.5	742.1	-8.7%	-
II (6-14)	Vegetable products	3,302.3	2,603.5	26.8%	-	1,045.9	978.0	6.9%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats & oils & their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal & vegetable waxes	195.2	206.0	-5.3%	-	1,000.2	643.1	55.5%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits & vinegar; tobacco & manufactured tobacco substitutes	1,938.1	2,147.8	-9.8%	-	1,457.3	1,535.0	-5.1%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products	15,086.2	17,423.6	-13.4%	-	16,805.7	18,900.4	-11.1%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemical or allied industries	3,189.6	3,324.7	-4.1%	-	5,188.6	5,846.0	-11.2%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics & articles thereof; rubber & articles thereof	1,207.4	1,160.4	4.0%	-0.0	2,489.0	2,714.2	-8.3%	-
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)	172.7	225.4	-23.4%	-	181.3	228.0	-20.5%	-
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	204.9	237.3	-13.6%	-	192.4	243.9	-21.1%	-
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	881.8	1,075.8	-18.0%	-	796.8	894.6	-10.9%	-
XI (50-63)	Textiles & textile articles	466.5	460.5	1.3%	-	1,564.7	1,698.6	-7.9%	-
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	38.0	40.0	-4.9%	-	627.9	594.5	5.6%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials; ceramic products; glass & glassware	217.8	226.9	-4.0%	-	650.3	734.5	-11.5%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal & articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin	14,532.9	14,047.3	3.5%	-	662.8	496.2	33.6%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals & articles of base metal	7,716.3	7,598.6	1.5%	-	2,973.9	3,471.5	-14.3%	-
XVI (84-85)	Machinery & mechanical appliances; electrical equipment; parts thereof; sound recorders & reproducers; television image & sound recorders & reproducers, & parts & accessories of such articles	5,212.2	5,445.6	-4.3%	-	15,886.3	17,090.8	-7.0%	-
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels & associated transport equipment	6,098.3	5,283.9	15.4%	-	7,856.1	7,330.7	7.2%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments & apparatus; clocks & watches; musical instruments; parts & accessories thereof	297.6	266.5	11.7%	-	1,859.2	1,628.2	14.2%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	371.4	351.7	5.6%	-	1,051.7	1,041.2	1.0%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collector's pieces & antiques	26.4	26.2	0.8%	-	17.5	9.0	93.3%	-
XXII	Other unclassified goods	59.8	141.5	-57.7%	-	69.8	68.4	2.1%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions; original equipment components/parts for motor vehicles	1.0	1.5	-31.4%	-	4,369.0	4,830.2	-9.5%	-
Total		61,697.1	62,791.1	-1.7%	-0.0	67,423.9	71,719.2	-6.0%	-