

## South African Trade Statistics for December 2013 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
December 2013 (Preliminary)	R 77,586,726,477	R 74,806,855,369	R 2,779,871,108
November 2013 (Revised)	R 86,499,957,552	R 85,805,419,214	R 694,538,338
R Increase/Decrease	R -8,913,231,075	R -10,998,563,845	
% Growth	-10.3%	-12.8%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to December 2013 (Preliminary)	R 925,961,402,693	R 995,868,489,850	R -69,907,087,157
January to December 2012 (Revised)	R 817,723,650,080	R 852,401,610,985	R -34,677,960,905
R Increase/Decrease	R 108,237,752,613	R 143,466,878,865	
% Growth	13.2%	16.8%	

### COMMENTS

#### Month on month increase/decrease

#### EXPORTS

Section 14:	Precious Metals and Stones decreased by	R 3,974 million (-24%)
Section 15:	Base Metals decreased by	R 1,223 million (-11%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics decreased by	R 652 million (-8%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 1,948 million (-21%)

#### IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 933 million (5%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products decreased by	R 1,665 million (-20%)
Section 7:	Plastics & Rubber decreased by	R 970 million (-28%)
Section 11:	Textiles decreased by	R 791 million (-27%)
Section 15:	Base Metals decreased by	R 856 million (-20%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics decreased by	R 4,204 million (-18%)

## International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
December 2013 (Preliminary)	R 68,638,122,276	R 72,946,643,755	R -4,308,521,479
November 2013 (Revised)	R 73,943,154,478	R 83,239,171,133	R -9,296,016,655
R Increase/Decrease	R -5,305,032,202	R -10,292,527,378	
% Growth	-7.2%	-12.4%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to December 2013 (Preliminary)	R 811,867,812,630	R 969,188,982,729	R -157,321,170,099
January to December 2012 (Revised)	R 714,089,067,562	R 831,034,515,215	R -116,945,447,653
R Increase/Decrease	R 97,778,745,068	R 138,154,467,514	
% Growth	13.7%	16.6%	

## BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
December 2013 (Preliminary)	R 8,948,604,201	R 1,860,211,614	R 7,088,392,587
November 2013 (Revised)	R 12,556,803,074	R 2,566,248,081	R 9,990,554,993
R Increase/Decrease	R -3,608,198,873	R -706,036,467	
% Growth	-28.7%	-27.5%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to December 2013 (Preliminary)	R 114,093,590,063	R 26,679,507,121	R 87,414,082,942
January to December 2012 (Revised)	R 103,634,582,518	R 21,367,095,770	R 82,267,486,748
R Increase/Decrease	R 10,459,007,545	R 5,312,411,351	
% Growth	10.1%	24.9%	

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### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD: World Zone	December 2013 / November 2013 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	December 2013	November 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	December 2013	November 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	
Africa	22,424.5	27,509.6	-18.5%	-75.9	7,419.5	10,331.2	-28.2%	-0.6
America	6,720.8	6,962.1	-3.5%	-228.8	8,160.0	7,977.8	2.3%	-5.8
Asia	25,372.1	27,022.8	-6.1%	270.8	36,276.6	40,785.3	-11.1%	-0.0
Europe	18,523.5	17,939.8	3.3%	-69.4	21,705.3	25,271.2	-14.1%	-22.8
Oceania	728.8	977.5	-25.4%	2.1	1,216.8	1,263.0	-3.7%	0.0
Other Unclassified	3,709.5	5,987.2	-38.0%	-	28.7	177.0	-83.8%	-
Ship/Aircraft	107.6	101.0	6.5%	-0.1	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>77,586.7</b>	<b>86,500.0</b>	<b>-10.3%</b>	<b>-101.3</b>	<b>74,806.9</b>	<b>85,805.4</b>	<b>-12.8%</b>	<b>-29.3</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		December 2013	November 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	December 2013	November 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	885.5	860.9	2.9%	-0.1	806.8	1,115.8	-27.7%	-0.2
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	2,546.1	2,232.8	14.0%	21.5	1,209.9	1,531.0	-21.0%	-0.3
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	274.1	280.6	-2.3%	-	793.1	973.9	-18.6%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3,257.3	3,601.3	-9.6%	-3.3	2,746.1	2,468.6	11.2%	-2.8
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	20,420.7	20,853.6	-2.1%	143.1	18,190.4	17,257.5	5.4%	1.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5,223.5	5,057.1	3.3%	-33.9	6,580.9	8,246.3	-20.2%	-14.7
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1,784.1	1,945.7	-8.3%	-0.9	2,550.8	3,520.5	-27.5%	-2.4
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).	1,012.4	407.1	148.7%	0.0	272.6	363.9	-25.1%	-0.4
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.	428.9	408.0	5.1%	-0.6	225.6	398.8	-43.4%	-0.1
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.	1,300.6	1,520.5	-14.5%	4.7	1,138.7	1,317.8	-13.6%	-0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1,060.0	1,429.5	-25.8%	-0.5	2,143.1	2,934.2	-27.0%	0.9
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.	233.2	308.3	-24.3%	-0.1	720.4	942.7	-23.6%	-0.3
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	425.9	490.9	-13.2%	-0.5	699.9	899.1	-22.2%	-0.0
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	12,572.9	16,546.7	-24.0%	-0.0	443.2	898.8	-50.7%	-0.2
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9,674.2	10,897.4	-11.2%	-49.2	3,325.7	4,181.3	-20.5%	-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.	7,698.0	8,350.3	-7.8%	-50.7	18,689.0	22,893.1	-18.4%	-3.7
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	7,417.3	9,365.3	-20.8%	-51.1	8,211.7	8,247.5	-0.4%	-0.0
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	647.4	587.3	10.2%	-78.5	2,008.8	2,236.6	-10.2%	2.3
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	591.0	737.3	-19.8%	-0.1	1,071.7	1,657.4	-35.3%	-0.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	-22.5	26.4	-185.3%	-	20.6	80.6	-74.4%	-
XXII (98)	Other unclassified goods.	152.7	592.4	-74.2%	-1.1	87.2	77.9	11.9%	-0.3
XXIII (99)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	3.4	0.6	426.5%	-	2,870.6	3,562.1	-19.4%	-7.8
<b>Total</b>		<b>77,586.7</b>	<b>86,500.0</b>	<b>-10.3%</b>	<b>-101.3</b>	<b>74,806.9</b>	<b>85,805.4</b>	<b>-12.8%</b>	<b>-29.3</b>

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World Zone	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	264,225.4	230,398.4	14.7%	116,964.4	101,635.3	15.1%
America	86,891.5	85,028.6	2.2%	102,058.4	99,814.2	2.2%
Asia	298,227.3	252,012.6	18.3%	460,852.8	385,950.0	19.4%
Europe	199,244.2	165,438.6	20.4%	299,408.2	250,227.3	19.7%
Oceania	9,013.4	8,354.8	7.9%	15,018.1	13,511.7	11.1%
Other Unclassified	67,107.9	75,417.6	-11.0%	1,566.6	1,263.1	24.0%
Ship/Aircraft	1,251.7	1,073.2	16.6%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>925,961.4</b>	<b>817,723.7</b>	<b>13.2%</b>	<b>995,868.5</b>	<b>852,401.6</b>	<b>16.8%</b>

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	9,417.8	7,982.1	18.0%	11,690.5	11,149.2	4.9%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	42,103.7	32,295.0	30.4%	18,242.8	17,167.1	6.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2,805.0	3,101.2	-9.6%	7,852.6	8,786.7	-10.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	38,173.0	30,809.6	23.9%	29,348.1	25,395.1	15.6%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	234,505.0	205,276.4	14.2%	221,195.1	192,748.7	14.8%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	55,523.7	50,341.1	10.3%	93,520.3	80,049.7	16.8%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	20,292.3	18,746.8	8.2%	38,348.0	32,382.2	18.4%
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).	4,632.4	2,626.8	76.4%	3,744.3	2,983.6	25.5%
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.	4,382.6	3,895.3	12.5%	4,019.2	3,474.9	15.7%
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.	15,108.8	13,320.8	13.4%	14,237.4	11,853.1	20.1%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	12,436.1	10,431.5	19.2%	31,725.4	26,279.6	20.7%
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.	2,356.2	1,950.5	20.8%	10,921.0	9,372.8	16.5%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	4,640.3	3,994.3	16.2%	10,044.6	8,644.8	16.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	177,754.4	162,485.3	9.4%	8,686.7	8,265.6	5.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	112,665.0	99,352.4	13.4%	49,568.3	39,461.2	25.6%
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.	85,726.9	77,471.2	10.7%	244,594.6	199,343.4	22.7%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	87,684.6	79,771.0	9.9%	97,199.5	88,100.4	10.3%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	5,692.1	4,773.7	19.2%	24,879.5	20,581.3	20.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	7,221.9	6,638.4	8.8%	15,668.7	13,785.2	13.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	581.3	415.9	39.8%	258.5	209.1	23.6%
XXII ( )	Other unclassified goods.	2,228.8	2,013.0	10.7%	1,134.5	901.1	25.9%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	29.5	31.1	-5.4%	58,988.8	51,467.0	14.6%
<b>Total</b>		<b>925,961.4</b>	<b>817,723.7</b>	<b>13.2%</b>	<b>995,868.5</b>	<b>852,401.6</b>	<b>16.8%</b>

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Africa	13,475.9	14,952.8	-9.9%	-56.2	5,559.2	7,764.9	-28.4%	-0.3
America	6,720.8	6,962.1	-3.5%	-228.8	8,160.0	7,977.8	2.3%	-5.8
Asia	25,372.1	27,022.8	-6.1%	270.8	36,276.6	40,785.3	-11.1%	-0.0
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Ship/Aircraft	107.6	101.0	6.5%	-0.1	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>68,638.1</b>	<b>73,943.2</b>	<b>-7.2%</b>	<b>-81.6</b>	<b>72,946.6</b>	<b>83,239.2</b>	<b>-12.4%</b>	<b>-29.0</b>

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		Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	619.8	599.0	3.5%	-0.1	649.7	930.7	-30.2%	-0.2
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	2,039.7	1,641.7	24.2%	21.6	1,172.5	1,490.2	-21.3%	-0.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	185.5	186.2	-0.4%	-	792.5	973.2	-18.6%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2,232.9	2,519.1	-11.4%	-3.2	2,361.4	1,991.3	18.6%	-2.8
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	18,614.9	18,355.7	1.4%	154.1	18,135.4	17,092.6	6.1%	1.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4,348.4	3,979.1	9.3%	-33.8	6,010.7	7,636.2	-21.3%	-14.7
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1,423.8	1,389.4	2.5%	-0.9	2,529.5	3,474.6	-27.2%	-2.3
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).	980.4	369.2	165.5%	0.0	259.0	346.2	-25.2%	-0.4
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.	327.0	262.5	24.6%	0.0	180.4	329.0	-45.2%	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.	1,066.4	1,229.2	-13.2%	4.7	1,095.3	1,276.4	-14.2%	-0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	684.3	846.6	-19.2%	-0.5	1,943.6	2,631.6	-26.1%	0.9
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.	96.4	109.7	-12.1%	-0.1	704.4	910.1	-22.6%	-0.3
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	284.7	314.7	-9.5%	-0.4	693.0	887.7	-21.9%	-0.0
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	12,552.1	15,831.3	-20.7%	-	292.8	587.6	-50.2%	-0.2
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9,198.6	10,106.8	-9.0%	-49.0	3,288.8	4,107.3	-19.9%	-0.3
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.	6,571.0	6,665.9	-1.4%	-50.6	18,593.8	22,759.5	-18.3%	-3.5
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	6,393.2	8,051.5	-20.6%	-43.4	8,193.3	8,218.4	-0.3%	-0.0
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	534.5	448.4	19.2%	-78.7	2,007.9	2,230.5	-10.0%	2.3
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	364.0	425.0	-14.4%	0.0	1,067.4	1,649.5	-35.3%	-0.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	-23.1	25.6	-190.2%	-	20.2	80.5	-74.9%	-
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	140.2	586.1	-76.1%	-1.1	84.6	73.9	14.5%	-0.3
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	3.4	0.6	460.7%	-	2,870.6	3,562.1	-19.4%	-7.8
<b>Total</b>		<b>68,638.1</b>	<b>73,943.2</b>	<b>-7.2%</b>	<b>-81.6</b>	<b>72,946.6</b>	<b>83,239.2</b>	<b>-12.4%</b>	<b>-29.0</b>

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### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January to December 2013 / January to December 2012					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	150,131.8	126,763.8	18.4%	90,284.9	80,268.2	12.5%
America	86,891.5	85,028.6	2.2%	102,058.4	99,814.2	2.2%
Asia	298,227.3	252,012.6	18.3%	460,852.8	385,950.0	19.4%
Europe	199,244.2	165,438.6	20.4%	299,408.2	250,227.3	19.7%
Oceania	9,013.4	8,354.8	7.9%	15,018.1	13,511.7	11.1%
Other Unclassified	67,107.9	75,417.6	-11.0%	1,566.6	1,263.1	24.0%
Ship/Aircraft	1,251.7	1,073.2	16.6%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>811,867.8</b>	<b>714,089.1</b>	<b>13.7%</b>	<b>969,189.0</b>	<b>831,034.5</b>	<b>16.6%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(cha pter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	6,657.1	5,309.6	25.4%	8,593.5	8,383.0	2.5%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	36,114.1	26,863.7	34.4%	17,654.2	16,642.1	6.1%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1,774.2	2,196.0	-19.2%	7,838.6	8,769.6	-10.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	27,502.9	21,478.1	28.1%	24,899.1	21,117.8	17.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	212,903.3	184,408.8	15.5%	219,496.6	192,265.5	14.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	45,757.9	41,758.4	9.6%	87,245.4	74,912.6	16.5%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	14,998.2	14,435.7	3.9%	38,021.6	32,106.0	18.4%
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).	4,312.9	2,323.0	85.7%	3,550.6	2,848.3	24.7%
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.	2,975.9	2,631.9	13.1%	3,306.8	2,896.8	14.2%
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.	12,537.9	10,793.9	16.2%	13,659.0	11,308.3	20.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	7,263.5	5,992.2	21.2%	29,027.7	23,929.8	21.3%
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.	696.9	516.5	34.9%	10,630.2	9,102.6	16.8%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3,048.9	2,471.9	23.3%	9,941.0	8,544.9	16.3%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	172,998.7	159,857.9	8.2%	5,956.3	7,229.1	-17.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	104,808.9	92,095.0	13.8%	48,853.9	38,716.6	26.2%
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.	70,460.8	62,119.0	13.4%	242,896.2	197,683.7	22.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	75,394.7	68,570.8	10.0%	96,869.5	87,830.9	10.3%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	4,423.4	3,657.8	20.9%	24,840.7	20,555.0	20.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	4,488.1	4,259.6	5.4%	15,565.7	13,657.2	14.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	571.2	410.9	39.0%	257.6	208.4	23.6%
XXII (98)	Other unclassified goods.	2,149.6	1,924.7	11.7%	1,095.9	859.1	27.6%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	28.9	13.4	115.1%	58,988.7	51,467.0	14.6%
<b>Total</b>		<b>811,867.8</b>	<b>714,089.1</b>	<b>13.7%</b>	<b>969,189.0</b>	<b>831,034.5</b>	<b>16.6%</b>

## Preliminary BLNS Monthly Statement

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	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.
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### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	December 2013 / November 2013 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	December 2013	November 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	December 2013	November 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	8,948.6	12,556.8	-28.7%	-19.7	1,860.2	2,566.2	-27.5%	-0.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,948.6</b>	<b>12,556.8</b>	<b>-28.7%</b>	<b>-19.7</b>	<b>1,860.2</b>	<b>2,566.2</b>	<b>-27.5%</b>	<b>-0.3</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		December 2013	November 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	December 2013	November 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	265.7	261.9	1.4%	-0.0	157.2	185.1	-15.1%	-
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	506.4	591.1	-14.3%	-0.0	37.4	40.8	-8.2%	-0.2
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	88.6	94.5	-6.2%	-	0.6	0.8	-24.3%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1,024.4	1,082.1	-5.3%	-0.1	384.8	477.3	-19.4%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1,805.8	2,498.0	-27.7%	-11.0	55.0	164.9	-66.7%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	875.1	1,078.0	-18.8%	-0.1	570.3	610.1	-6.5%	-0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	360.4	556.3	-35.2%	0.0	21.3	45.9	-53.5%	-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).	32.0	37.9	-15.6%	-0.0	13.6	17.7	-23.0%	-0.0
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.	101.9	145.5	-30.0%	-0.6	45.2	69.9	-35.3%	-0.1
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.	234.3	291.3	-19.6%	-0.0	43.4	41.4	5.0%	-0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	375.7	582.9	-35.6%	0.0	199.5	302.6	-34.1%	-
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.	136.8	198.6	-31.1%	-0.1	16.0	32.6	-50.8%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	141.1	176.2	-19.9%	-0.1	6.9	11.4	-39.2%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	20.8	715.4	-97.1%	-0.0	150.4	311.1	-51.7%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	475.6	790.6	-39.8%	-0.1	36.8	74.0	-50.2%	0.2
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.	1,127.0	1,684.4	-33.1%	-0.0	95.2	133.7	-28.8%	-0.2
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1,024.1	1,313.9	-22.1%	-7.6	18.4	29.0	-36.7%	-0.0
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	112.8	138.9	-18.8%	0.2	0.9	6.1	-84.5%	-0.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	227.1	312.3	-27.3%	-0.1	4.3	7.8	-45.3%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.6	0.8	-22.5%	-	0.5	0.1	367.6%	-
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	12.4	6.3	97.3%	-	2.6	4.0	-35.6%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.0	-100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>8,948.6</b>	<b>12,556.8</b>	<b>-28.7%</b>	<b>-19.7</b>	<b>1,860.2</b>	<b>2,566.2</b>	<b>-27.5%</b>	<b>-0.3</b>

## Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement

### METHODOLOGY

CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR

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.

### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January to December 2013 / January to December 2012					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	114,093.6	103,634.6	10.1%	26,679.5	21,367.1	24.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>114,093.6</b>	<b>103,634.6</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	<b>26,679.5</b>	<b>21,367.1</b>	<b>24.9%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to December 2013	January to December 2012	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
		I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2,760.7	2,672.5	3.3%	3,097.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	5,989.6	5,431.3	10.3%	588.5	525.0	12.1%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1,030.8	905.2	13.9%	14.0	17.1	-18.4%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	10,670.1	9,331.4	14.3%	4,449.0	4,277.3	4.0%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	21,601.8	20,867.5	3.5%	1,698.5	483.2	251.5%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	9,765.8	8,582.7	13.8%	6,274.9	5,137.1	22.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	5,294.1	4,311.1	22.8%	326.4	276.2	18.2%
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).	319.5	303.8	5.2%	193.8	135.2	43.3%
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.	1,406.8	1,263.4	11.3%	712.5	578.1	23.2%
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.	2,570.8	2,526.9	1.7%	578.4	544.8	6.2%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	5,172.6	4,439.3	16.5%	2,697.7	2,349.7	14.8%
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.	1,659.3	1,433.9	15.7%	290.8	270.2	7.6%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1,591.4	1,522.4	4.5%	103.5	99.9	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.	4,755.8	2,627.3	81.0%	2,730.4	1,036.5	163.4%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	7,856.1	7,257.3	8.3%	714.4	744.6	-4.1%
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.	15,266.1	15,352.2	-0.6%	1,698.4	1,659.6	2.3%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	12,289.9	11,200.3	9.7%	329.9	269.5	22.4%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1,268.7	1,116.0	13.7%	38.8	26.3	47.5%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2,733.9	2,378.8	14.9%	103.0	128.0	-19.5%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	10.1	5.0	100.9%	0.9	0.6	39.6%
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	79.2	88.3	-10.3%	38.6	41.9	-7.9%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.6	17.7	-96.6%	0.2	0.1	160.6%
<b>Total</b>		<b>114,093.6</b>	<b>103,634.6</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	<b>26,679.5</b>	<b>21,367.1</b>	<b>24.9%</b>