

South African Trade Statistics for April 2014 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2014 (Preliminary)	R 77,421,671,566	R 90,447,948,346	R -13,026,276,780
March 2014 (Revised)	R 79,477,164,434	R 91,357,323,417	R -11,880,158,983
R Increase/Decrease	R -2,055,492,868	R -909,375,071	
% Growth	-2.6%	-1.0%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2014 (Preliminary)	R 317,703,901,951	R 358,661,421,255	R -40,957,519,304
January to April 2013 (Revised)	R 282,343,787,623	R 312,998,963,417	R -30,655,175,794
R Increase/Decrease	R 35,360,114,328	R 45,662,457,838	
% Growth	12.5%	14.6%	

COMMENTS
Month on month increase/decrease
EXPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 1,029 million (6%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products decreased by	R 514 million (-10%)
Section 15:	Base Metal decreased by	R 560 million (-5%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased	R 954 million (-11%)

IMPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by	R 558 million (-29%)
Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 3,665 million (-14%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products increased by	R 1,498 million (20%)
Section 7:	Plastics & Rubber increased by	R 417 million (13%)
Section 11:	Textiles increased by	R 384 million (16%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics increased by	R 500 million (3%)

International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2014 (Preliminary)	R 67,723,754,891	R 88,249,882,194	R -20,526,127,303
March 2014 (Revised)	R 67,711,215,316	R 89,257,313,782	R -21,546,098,466
R Increase/Decrease	R 12,539,575	R -1,007,431,588	
% Growth	0.0%	-1.1%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2014 (Preliminary)	R 276,423,811,395	R 350,127,815,001	R -73,704,003,606
January to April 2013 (Revised)	R 248,337,952,019	R 304,257,175,216	R -55,919,223,197
R Increase/Decrease	R 28,085,859,376	R 45,870,639,785	
% Growth	11.3%	15.1%	

BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
April 2014 (Preliminary)	R 9,697,916,675	R 2,198,066,152	R 7,499,850,523
March 2014 (Revised)	R 11,765,949,118	R 2,100,009,635	R 9,665,939,483
R Increase/Decrease	R -2,068,032,443	R 98,056,517	
% Growth	-17.6%	4.7%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to April 2014 (Preliminary)	R 41,280,090,556	R 8,533,606,254	R 32,746,484,302
January to April 2013 (Revised)	R 34,005,835,604	R 8,741,788,201	R 25,264,047,403
R Increase/Decrease	R 7,274,254,952	R -208,181,947	
% Growth	21.4%	-2.4%	

Preliminary SA Monthly Statement (including BLNS)

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.

WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	April 2014 / March 2014 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	April 2014	March 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	April 2014	March 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	22,717.0	25,423.4	-10.6%	-375.6	11,591.6	12,404.9	-6.6%	-29.5
America	7,755.5	6,988.4	11.0%	-61.0	8,352.8	9,332.7	-10.5%	24.2
Asia	24,214.8	23,520.7	3.0%	-94.4	42,730.7	40,951.1	4.3%	-130.9
Europe	16,315.0	17,326.4	-5.8%	-256.4	26,526.3	27,240.0	-2.6%	-161.2
Oceania	818.5	811.8	0.8%	-0.0	1,192.8	1,284.3	-7.1%	0.1
Other Unclassified	5,506.1	5,291.7	4.1%	-	53.7	144.3	-62.8%	-
Ship/Aircraft	94.8	114.8	-17.4%	-0.4	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	77,421.7	79,477.2	-2.6%	-787.8	90,447.9	91,357.3	-1.0%	-297.3

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		April 2014	March 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	April 2014	March 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	909.2	969.4	-6.2%	-6.2	1,048.4	931.8	12.5%	-3.9
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3,410.3	3,764.7	-9.4%	-18.3	1,336.7	1,895.0	-29.5%	26.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	262.5	243.1	8.0%	-4.0	873.0	665.3	31.2%	0.9
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3,180.8	3,369.5	-5.6%	-13.8	2,210.2	2,338.7	-5.5%	0.7
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	18,918.1	17,889.5	5.7%	-238.1	22,772.5	26,437.1	-13.9%	-114.3
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4,701.6	5,215.5	-9.9%	-138.6	8,956.7	7,459.0	20.1%	0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1,862.5	1,833.2	1.6%	-18.0	3,593.5	3,176.2	13.1%	-2.7
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).	382.0	420.9	-9.2%	-4.8	288.0	246.5	16.9%	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.	470.7	489.1	-3.8%	-3.6	373.6	330.1	13.2%	-0.5
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.	1,257.6	1,346.2	-6.6%	-11.4	1,171.5	1,190.7	-1.6%	0.2
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1,114.3	1,195.7	-6.8%	-2.5	2,814.7	2,430.3	15.8%	-6.7
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.	206.8	215.8	-4.2%	-0.7	701.8	647.3	8.4%	-4.9
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	391.2	442.4	-11.6%	-1.7	827.4	812.2	1.9%	-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.	12,770.7	12,788.7	-0.1%	-7.6	616.1	921.5	-33.1%	0.1
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10,622.0	11,182.2	-5.0%	-69.3	3,887.6	3,531.0	10.1%	4.0
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.	8,082.6	8,181.8	-1.2%	-139.1	20,152.9	19,653.4	2.5%	-142.0
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	7,539.0	8,493.1	-11.2%	-76.8	9,713.4	9,461.0	2.7%	-53.6
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	564.8	529.4	6.7%	-6.2	2,145.1	2,379.3	-9.8%	-1.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	608.6	733.2	-17.0%	-8.9	1,269.3	1,081.2	17.4%	-0.5
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	38.0	36.7	3.7%	-20.1	20.7	8.8	134.7%	-
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	127.0	134.7	-5.8%	2.0	89.4	155.9	-42.7%	-0.0
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.2	2.1	-46.1%	-	5,585.3	5,605.1	-0.4%	0.4
Total		77,421.7	79,477.2	-2.6%	-787.8	90,447.9	91,357.3	-1.0%	-297.3

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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.
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January to April 2014 / January to April 2013					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	93,204.0	76,769.6	21.4%	47,974.8	40,779.8	17.6%
America	29,227.3	28,938.9	1.0%	35,124.4	32,390.0	8.4%
Asia	100,009.6	88,798.9	12.6%	167,061.9	138,787.9	20.4%
Europe	73,141.5	60,861.6	20.2%	103,069.1	95,418.9	8.0%
Oceania	3,047.5	2,806.7	8.6%	4,617.0	4,923.4	-6.2%
Other Unclassified	18,619.6	23,716.2	-21.5%	814.2	698.9	16.5%
Ship/Aircraft	454.3	451.8	0.6%	-	-	0.0%
Total	317,703.9	282,343.8	12.5%	358,661.4	312,999.0	14.6%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	3,845.3	2,863.6	34.3%	3,620.8	3,752.8	-3.5%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	13,771.9	12,359.8	11.4%	6,401.8	5,689.3	12.5%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	896.2	702.3	27.6%	2,736.7	2,038.2	34.3%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	12,609.9	10,686.6	18.0%	9,484.0	9,041.4	4.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	81,101.7	75,029.9	8.1%	91,866.3	74,322.3	23.6%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	18,737.1	16,368.9	14.5%	32,271.8	28,931.6	11.5%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	7,411.3	6,123.9	21.0%	13,463.4	11,897.3	13.2%
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).	1,531.8	1,062.5	44.2%	1,215.9	1,018.1	19.4%
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.	1,824.9	1,258.8	45.0%	1,550.3	1,320.6	17.4%
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.	5,931.6	4,595.2	29.1%	4,907.7	4,371.5	12.3%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4,277.2	3,893.0	9.9%	11,714.0	9,969.3	17.5%
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.	740.1	625.8	18.2%	3,644.7	3,310.0	10.1%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1,622.4	1,333.6	21.7%	3,462.8	3,040.5	13.9%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	53,254.4	55,625.8	-4.3%	3,655.6	3,229.9	13.2%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	44,086.0	33,207.0	32.8%	16,142.1	15,832.1	2.0%
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.	30,248.1	24,357.0	24.2%	81,212.3	73,393.9	10.7%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	30,306.5	27,776.5	9.1%	35,572.8	29,864.7	19.1%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	2,250.8	1,537.5	46.4%	8,729.8	7,290.3	19.7%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2,456.8	2,078.0	18.2%	4,869.4	4,252.9	14.5%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	181.0	180.3	0.4%	278.2	76.6	263.1%
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	601.5	669.3	-10.1%	599.4	471.4	27.1%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	17.6	8.2	114.0%	21,261.7	19,884.5	6.9%
Total		317,703.9	282,343.8	12.5%	358,661.4	312,999.0	14.6%

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	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	13,019.1	13,657.4	-4.7%	-268.9	9,393.5	10,304.9	-8.8%	-28.1
America	7,755.5	6,988.4	11.0%	-61.0	8,352.8	9,332.7	-10.5%	24.2
Asia	24,214.8	23,520.7	3.0%	-94.4	42,730.7	40,951.1	4.3%	-130.9
Europe	16,315.0	17,326.4	-5.8%	-256.4	26,526.3	27,240.0	-2.6%	-161.2
Oceania	818.5	811.8	0.8%	-0.0	1,192.8	1,284.3	-7.1%	0.1
Other Unclassified	5,506.1	5,291.7	4.1%	-	53.7	144.3	-62.8%	-
Ship/Aircraft	94.8	114.8	-17.4%	-0.4	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	67,723.8	67,711.2	0.0%	-681.1	88,249.9	89,257.3	-1.1%	-295.9

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	659.1	729.7	-9.7%	-5.9	812.7	717.0	13.3%	-3.7
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	2,917.1	3,232.2	-9.7%	-10.9	1,299.4	1,865.3	-30.3%	26.3
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	176.8	159.0	11.2%	-3.5	871.6	663.9	31.3%	0.9
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2,350.0	2,566.9	-8.4%	-12.0	1,908.5	2,040.3	-6.5%	0.8
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	17,039.1	15,847.7	7.5%	-178.2	22,726.1	26,342.4	-13.7%	-114.3
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	3,959.1	4,365.1	-9.3%	-131.5	8,318.9	7,095.0	17.3%	0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1,399.5	1,408.4	-0.6%	-16.0	3,566.8	3,148.0	13.3%	-2.7
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).	351.9	394.4	-10.8%	-4.8	254.3	229.9	10.6%	-0.1
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.	352.2	372.5	-5.5%	-2.3	313.6	263.0	19.3%	-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.	1,043.4	1,125.2	-7.3%	-10.6	1,132.0	1,154.0	-1.9%	0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	636.3	709.9	-10.4%	-1.7	2,544.8	2,170.7	17.2%	-6.6
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared leathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	63.6	65.9	-3.5%	-0.4	679.2	630.4	7.7%	-4.9
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	267.4	299.9	-10.8%	-1.5	819.5	804.5	1.9%	-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.	12,740.7	11,230.1	13.5%	-7.5	529.8	510.1	3.9%	0.1
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9,873.7	10,511.5	-6.1%	-66.8	3,755.0	3,457.0	8.6%	4.2
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.	6,669.0	6,656.2	0.2%	-133.4	20,008.5	19,532.8	2.4%	-141.3
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	6,257.2	6,967.5	-10.2%	-64.4	9,611.9	9,416.5	2.1%	-53.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	432.8	404.1	7.1%	-4.5	2,141.9	2,374.6	-9.8%	-1.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	374.4	497.8	-24.8%	-7.2	1,262.7	1,075.3	17.4%	-0.5
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	37.3	36.0	3.8%	-20.1	20.5	8.8	132.7%	-
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	121.9	129.1	-5.6%	2.1	86.8	152.8	-43.2%	-0.0
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.1	2.0	-44.0%	-	5,585.3	5,605.1	-0.4%	0.4
Total		67,723.8	67,711.2	0.0%	-681.1	88,249.9	89,257.3	-1.1%	-295.9

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PERIOD:		January to April 2014 / January to April 2013				
World Zone	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	51,923.9	42,763.8	21.4%	39,441.2	32,038.1	23.1%
America	29,227.3	28,938.9	1.0%	35,124.4	32,390.0	8.4%
Asia	100,009.6	88,798.9	12.6%	167,061.9	138,787.9	20.4%
Europe	73,141.5	60,861.6	20.2%	103,069.1	95,418.9	8.0%
Oceania	3,047.5	2,806.7	8.6%	4,617.0	4,923.4	-6.2%
Other Unclassified	18,619.6	23,716.2	-21.5%	814.2	698.9	16.5%
Ship/Aircraft	454.3	451.8	0.6%	-	-	0.0%
Total	276,423.8	248,338.0	11.3%	350,127.8	304,257.2	15.1%

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		January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2,905.2	2,013.4	44.3%	2,853.2	2,625.9	8.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	11,657.0	10,452.9	11.5%	6,271.5	5,414.5	15.8%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	587.4	394.9	48.7%	2,732.6	2,033.4	34.4%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	9,200.9	7,477.1	23.1%	8,271.7	7,607.2	8.7%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	73,826.2	68,813.1	7.3%	91,548.5	73,696.6	24.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	15,554.6	13,655.6	13.9%	30,196.8	26,912.1	12.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	5,684.2	4,566.8	24.5%	13,350.0	11,803.4	13.1%
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).	1,419.4	972.4	46.0%	1,143.0	970.2	17.8%
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.	1,387.5	862.2	60.9%	1,301.2	1,113.6	16.8%
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.	5,046.5	3,801.2	32.8%	4,775.3	4,225.5	13.0%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2,572.9	2,396.8	7.3%	10,685.2	9,213.4	16.0%
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.	222.7	177.6	25.4%	3,577.1	3,238.9	10.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1,120.7	885.8	26.5%	3,430.7	3,007.4	14.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	49,900.9	53,751.2	-7.2%	2,448.3	2,336.6	4.8%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	41,487.5	30,708.1	35.1%	15,799.5	15,604.3	1.3%
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.	24,736.6	19,860.8	24.5%	80,682.7	72,819.0	10.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	25,003.4	24,190.5	3.4%	35,377.0	29,723.8	19.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1,728.9	1,185.5	45.8%	8,715.5	7,277.5	19.8%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1,612.6	1,336.3	20.7%	4,846.3	4,216.1	14.9%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	179.2	177.3	1.1%	276.3	76.5	261.3%
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	578.7	650.2	-11.0%	583.8	457.0	27.8%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	10.7	8.0	33.0%	21,261.7	19,884.4	6.9%
Total		276,423.8	248,338.0	11.3%	350,127.8	304,257.2	15.1%

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	April 2014 / March 2014 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	April 2014	March 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	April 2014	March 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	9,697.9	11,765.9	-17.6%	-106.7	2,198.1	2,100.0	4.7%	-1.4
Total	9,697.9	11,765.9	-17.6%	-106.7	2,198.1	2,100.0	4.7%	-1.4

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		April 2014	March 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	April 2014	March 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	250.1	239.7	4.3%	-0.4	235.8	214.8	9.7%	-0.2
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	493.2	532.5	-7.4%	-7.4	37.3	29.6	25.9%	-0.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	85.8	84.2	1.9%	-0.5	1.5	1.4	5.9%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	830.7	802.6	3.5%	-1.8	301.8	298.4	1.1%	-0.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1,879.0	2,041.8	-8.0%	-59.9	46.4	94.7	-51.0%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	742.4	850.4	-12.7%	-7.1	637.8	364.0	75.2%	-0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	463.0	424.8	9.0%	-2.0	26.7	28.2	-5.3%	-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).	30.2	26.6	13.6%	-0.0	33.7	16.5	103.9%	0.5
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.	118.5	116.6	1.7%	-1.3	59.9	67.1	-10.7%	-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.	214.2	221.0	-3.1%	-0.8	39.4	36.7	7.4%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	478.0	485.8	-1.6%	-0.8	269.9	259.6	4.0%	-0.1
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.	143.2	149.9	-4.5%	-0.3	22.5	16.9	33.6%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	123.8	142.5	-13.1%	-0.2	7.9	7.7	2.6%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	30.1	1,558.6	-98.1%	-0.0	86.3	411.4	-79.0%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	748.2	670.7	11.6%	-2.5	132.5	74.0	79.1%	-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.	1,413.6	1,525.6	-7.3%	-5.8	144.5	120.6	19.8%	-0.7
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1,281.9	1,525.6	-16.0%	-12.4	101.5	44.5	128.0%	-0.2
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	132.1	125.3	5.4%	-1.7	3.2	4.8	-33.2%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	234.2	235.4	-0.5%	-1.7	6.6	5.9	12.6%	-0.0
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.7	0.7	-1.2%	-	0.3	0.0	535.3%	-
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	5.0	5.6	-10.8%	-0.0	2.6	3.1	-18.5%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.1	-77.4%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		9,697.9	11,765.9	-17.6%	-106.7	2,198.1	2,100.0	4.7%	-1.4

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.
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January to April 2014 / January to April 2013					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	41,280.1	34,005.8	21.4%	8,533.6	8,741.8	-2.4%
Total	41,280.1	34,005.8	21.4%	8,533.6	8,741.8	-2.4%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(cha pter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to April 2014	January to April 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	940.1	850.2	10.6%	767.6	1,126.9	-31.9%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	2,114.9	1,906.9	10.9%	130.3	274.8	-52.6%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	308.8	307.4	0.4%	4.1	4.8	-14.2%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3,409.0	3,209.5	6.2%	1,212.3	1,434.2	-15.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	7,275.4	6,216.8	17.0%	317.9	625.7	-49.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	3,182.5	2,713.4	17.3%	2,075.0	2,019.5	2.7%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1,727.0	1,557.1	10.9%	113.4	93.9	20.7%
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).	112.4	90.0	24.9%	73.0	47.9	52.4%
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.	437.3	396.6	10.3%	249.1	207.0	20.4%
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.	885.1	794.0	11.5%	132.4	146.0	-9.3%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1,704.2	1,496.2	13.9%	1,028.8	756.0	36.1%
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.	517.4	448.2	15.4%	67.6	71.1	-4.9%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	501.7	447.8	12.0%	32.1	33.1	-3.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	3,353.5	1,874.6	78.9%	1,207.3	893.3	35.2%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	2,598.5	2,498.8	4.0%	342.6	227.8	50.4%
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.	5,511.5	4,496.2	22.6%	529.6	574.9	-7.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	5,303.1	3,586.0	47.9%	195.7	140.9	39.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	521.9	352.0	48.2%	14.3	12.8	12.2%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	844.1	741.7	13.8%	23.1	36.8	-37.1%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	1.8	3.1	-39.6%	1.9	0.1	1272.8%
XXII (I)	Other unclassified goods.	22.8	19.1	19.6%	15.6	14.5	7.6%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	6.9	0.2	3586.7%	0.0	0.0	-36.8%
Total		41,280.1	34,005.8	21.4%	8,533.6	8,741.8	-2.4%