

## SA Trade Statistics for August 2014 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2014 (Preliminary)	R 77,235,499,644	R 93,530,655,669	R -16,295,156,025
July 2014 (Revised)	R 85,424,707,289	R 92,249,113,305	R -6,824,406,016
R Increase/Decrease	R -8,189,207,645	R 1,281,542,364	
% Growth	-9.6%	1.4%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2014 (Preliminary)	R 638,769,392,210	R 709,505,352,416	R -70,735,960,206
January to August 2013 (Revised)	R 603,088,203,343	R 654,972,193,086	R -51,883,989,743
R Increase/Decrease	R 35,681,188,867	R 54,533,159,330	
% Growth	5.9%	8.3%	

### COMMENTS

#### Month on month increase/decrease

#### EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by	R 1,246 million (-19%)
Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 5,063 million (-24%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products decreased by	R 457 million (-8%)
Section 14:	Precious Metal and Stones decreased by	R 1,844 million (-15%)
Section 15:	Base Metals decreased by	R 641 million (-6%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment increased by	R 1,044 million (13%)

#### IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 2,028 million (11%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics increased by	R 1,044 million (5%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment. decreased by	R 680 million (-7%)
Section 23:	Equipment Components decreased by	R 353 million (-5%)

## International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2014 (Preliminary)	R 67,017,788,619	R 90,961,371,589	R -23,943,582,970
July 2014 (Revised)	R 74,230,365,682	R 89,736,170,140	R -15,505,804,458
R Increase/Decrease	R -7,212,577,063	R 1,225,201,449	
% Growth	-9.7%	1.4%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2014 (Preliminary)	R 555,186,158,624	R 691,918,124,165	R -136,731,965,541
January to August 2013 (Revised)	R 531,303,634,205	R 637,493,384,516	R -106,189,750,311
R Increase/Decrease	R 23,882,524,419	R 54,424,739,649	
% Growth	4.5%	8.5%	

## 1. BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2014 (Preliminary)	R 10,217,711,025	R 2,569,284,080	R 7,648,426,945
July 2014 (Revised)	R 11,194,341,607	R 2,512,943,165	R 8,681,398,442
R Increase/Decrease	R -976,630,582	R 56,340,915	
% Growth	-8.7%	2.2%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2014 (Preliminary)	R 83,583,233,586	R 17,587,228,251	R 65,996,005,335
January to August 2013 (Revised)	R 71,784,569,138	R 17,478,808,570	R 54,305,760,568
R Increase/Decrease	R 11,798,664,448	R 108,419,681	
% Growth	16.4%	0.6%	

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### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD: World Zone	August 2014 / July 2014 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	24,970.3	25,091.8	-0.5%	-176.4	11,996.5	10,912.4	9.9%	0.9
America	6,513.8	8,109.9	-19.7%	-10.2	10,347.1	8,948.2	15.6%	0.9
Asia	23,248.4	27,435.7	-15.3%	433.1	41,384.2	42,362.4	-2.3%	-8.2
Europe	18,021.6	19,964.3	-9.7%	-32.2	28,353.9	28,609.2	-0.9%	-1.6
Oceania	933.3	614.3	51.9%	-6.9	1,352.4	1,072.0	26.1%	-0.2
Other Unclassified	3,446.9	4,109.1	-16.1%	-155.0	96.6	344.8	-72.0%	-
Ship/Aircraft	101.1	99.6	1.5%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>77,235.5</b>	<b>85,424.7</b>	<b>-9.6%</b>	<b>52.4</b>	<b>93,530.7</b>	<b>92,249.1</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>-8.0</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	991.1	1,093.4	-9.4%	-0.1	976.4	1,047.0	-6.7%	-1.1
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	5,163.9	6,409.6	-19.4%	5.3	1,702.6	1,621.8	5.0%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	300.7	307.0	-2.0%	-0.2	661.1	816.3	-19.0%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4,020.0	3,672.0	9.5%	-5.3	2,558.0	2,450.8	4.4%	-0.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	15,910.6	20,974.0	-24.1%	153.6	20,806.9	18,779.1	10.8%	0.1
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5,435.7	5,892.6	-7.8%	39.7	8,688.8	8,879.6	-2.1%	2.1
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1,934.7	2,287.7	-15.4%	2.2	3,480.3	3,561.0	-2.3%	1.5
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).	366.5	379.0	-3.3%	0.3	353.6	378.9	-6.7%	0.2
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.	355.0	554.6	-36.0%	-	388.1	400.4	-3.1%	-
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.	1,426.0	1,364.7	4.5%	3.7	1,398.7	1,308.0	6.9%	0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	967.8	900.0	7.5%	-0.2	3,010.3	3,077.4	-2.2%	-0.5
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.	251.8	199.9	25.9%	-0.1	1,206.7	1,225.2	-1.5%	-0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	458.6	420.6	9.0%	-0.5	1,054.3	1,029.3	2.4%	-0.9
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	10,779.4	12,623.8	-14.6%	-	1,163.1	1,404.2	-17.2%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9,774.6	10,415.6	-6.2%	131.5	3,941.6	4,099.3	-3.8%	0.5
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.	8,094.6	8,185.5	-1.1%	0.1	22,373.4	21,329.1	4.9%	-0.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	9,333.4	8,289.8	12.6%	-277.8	8,801.0	9,481.3	-7.2%	-11.6
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	631.3	579.5	8.9%	-	2,202.3	2,289.5	-3.8%	0.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	727.2	690.2	5.4%	-0.2	1,698.0	1,591.8	6.7%	-0.1
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	52.1	35.9	45.4%	-	18.4	79.8	-76.9%	-
XXII ( )	Other unclassified goods.	259.9	148.7	74.7%	-	119.1	117.9	1.0%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.8	0.4	81.8%	-	6,928.0	7,281.3	-4.9%	2.5
<b>Total</b>		<b>77,235.5</b>	<b>85,424.7</b>	<b>-9.6%</b>	<b>52.4</b>	<b>93,530.7</b>	<b>92,249.1</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>-8.0</b>

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	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	192,839.7	168,123.8	14.7%	92,691.3	78,104.3	18.7%
America	58,224.4	60,941.4	-4.5%	72,027.2	68,128.3	5.7%
Asia	200,872.0	192,348.1	4.4%	325,984.2	296,037.6	10.1%
Europe	144,626.7	127,965.4	13.0%	207,853.1	201,249.9	3.3%
Oceania	5,988.2	6,016.7	-0.5%	9,362.1	10,225.5	-8.4%
Other Unclassified	35,348.4	46,860.4	-24.6%	1,587.5	1,226.6	29.4%
Ship/Aircraft	870.1	832.5	4.5%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>638,769.4</b>	<b>603,088.2</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>709,505.4</b>	<b>654,972.2</b>	<b>8.3%</b>

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		January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	7,893.5	6,006.8	31.4%	7,683.4	7,872.4	-2.4%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	34,653.0	30,921.7	12.1%	12,723.8	11,692.9	8.8%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2,087.7	1,727.0	20.9%	5,421.2	4,749.3	14.1%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	27,223.2	23,867.9	14.1%	18,744.7	18,791.7	-0.2%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	156,679.8	151,736.9	3.3%	170,345.9	143,124.8	19.0%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	40,303.6	35,027.1	15.1%	65,397.8	61,460.3	6.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	15,824.0	13,194.0	19.9%	27,165.8	25,132.5	8.1%
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).	3,081.1	2,508.4	22.8%	2,557.0	2,309.2	10.7%
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.	3,654.6	2,845.4	28.4%	3,027.4	2,640.6	14.6%
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.	11,790.9	9,570.2	23.2%	9,898.7	9,050.4	9.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	8,282.4	7,566.6	9.5%	22,805.7	20,444.2	11.6%
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.	1,554.5	1,349.1	15.2%	7,524.8	6,999.4	7.5%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3,313.5	2,902.2	14.2%	7,339.8	6,592.4	11.3%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	99,001.4	118,446.6	-16.4%	8,496.7	6,276.1	35.4%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	85,833.0	70,466.8	21.8%	32,150.4	33,388.7	-3.7%
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.	63,363.1	55,248.5	14.7%	162,096.8	159,456.9	1.7%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	62,524.1	60,129.9	4.0%	69,588.2	65,518.4	6.2%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	4,672.1	3,413.7	36.9%	17,326.1	16,100.4	7.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	5,255.3	4,560.1	15.2%	10,802.3	9,634.5	12.1%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	335.7	334.6	0.3%	408.2	171.6	137.9%
XXII (I)	Other unclassified goods.	1,420.2	1,243.2	14.2%	1,101.5	782.3	40.8%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	22.6	21.4	6.0%	46,899.2	42,783.3	9.6%
<b>Total</b>		<b>638,769.4</b>	<b>603,088.2</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>709,505.4</b>	<b>654,972.2</b>	<b>8.3%</b>

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	August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	14,752.6	13,897.5	6.2%	-44.0	9,427.2	8,399.5	12.2%	0.5
America	6,513.8	8,109.9	-19.7%	-10.2	10,347.1	8,948.2	15.6%	0.9
Asia	23,248.4	27,435.7	-15.3%	433.1	41,384.2	42,362.4	-2.3%	-8.2
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Oceania	933.3	614.3	51.9%	-6.9	1,352.4	1,072.0	26.1%	-0.2
Other Unclassified	3,446.9	4,109.1	-16.1%	-155.0	96.6	344.8	-72.0%	-
Ship/Aircraft	101.1	99.6	1.5%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>67,017.8</b>	<b>74,230.4</b>	<b>-9.7%</b>	<b>184.8</b>	<b>90,961.4</b>	<b>89,736.2</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>-8.5</b>

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	727.3	824.7	-11.8%	-	758.3	828.0	-8.4%	-1.4
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4,652.7	5,873.6	-20.8%	5.4	1,652.6	1,576.9	4.8%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	192.5	182.9	5.2%	-0.2	659.8	814.5	-19.0%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3,044.3	2,647.2	15.0%	-5.8	2,156.0	2,058.2	4.8%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	14,137.8	18,896.6	-25.2%	170.8	20,760.2	18,723.2	10.9%	0.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4,525.4	4,924.5	-8.1%	39.7	8,142.4	8,362.7	-2.6%	2.1
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof, rubber and articles thereof.	1,464.8	1,822.0	-19.6%	2.2	3,446.2	3,521.6	-2.1%	1.6
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).	321.6	335.4	-4.1%	0.3	313.4	339.7	-7.8%	-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.	216.8	419.0	-48.3%	-	320.7	329.9	-2.8%	-
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.	1,194.2	1,136.7	5.1%	3.7	1,363.6	1,271.7	7.2%	0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	488.6	431.7	13.2%	-0.2	2,696.8	2,763.4	-2.4%	-0.5
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.	80.2	63.7	25.9%	-	1,188.5	1,204.0	-1.3%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	303.7	272.8	11.3%	-0.5	1,043.9	1,017.3	2.6%	-0.9
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	10,756.0	11,807.0	-8.9%	-	725.5	1,007.0	-28.0%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	8,978.5	9,850.9	-8.9%	131.6	3,821.5	3,979.3	-4.0%	0.4
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.	6,549.1	6,774.2	-3.3%	0.1	22,189.3	21,150.5	4.9%	-0.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	8,129.2	6,922.2	17.4%	-162.3	8,778.8	9,444.3	-7.0%	-11.7
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	493.3	439.8	12.2%	-	2,197.6	2,286.0	-3.9%	0.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	457.5	426.5	7.3%	-0.2	1,683.9	1,583.9	6.3%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	51.7	35.3	46.5%	-	18.4	79.8	-76.9%	-
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	251.9	143.4	75.7%	-	115.9	113.1	2.4%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.8	0.2	319.4%	-	6,928.0	7,281.3	-4.9%	2.5
<b>Total</b>		<b>67,017.8</b>	<b>74,230.4</b>	<b>-9.7%</b>	<b>184.8</b>	<b>90,961.4</b>	<b>89,736.2</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>-8.5</b>

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World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	109,256.5	96,339.2	13.4%	75,104.1	60,625.5	23.9%
America	58,224.4	60,941.4	-4.5%	72,027.2	68,128.3	5.7%
Asia	200,872.0	192,348.1	4.4%	325,984.2	296,037.6	10.1%
Europe	144,626.7	127,965.4	13.0%	207,853.1	201,249.9	3.3%
Oceania	5,988.2	6,016.7	-0.5%	9,362.1	10,225.5	-8.4%
Other Unclassified	35,348.4	46,860.4	-24.6%	1,587.5	1,226.6	29.4%
Ship/Aircraft	870.1	832.5	4.5%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>555,186.2</b>	<b>531,303.6</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>691,918.1</b>	<b>637,493.4</b>	<b>8.5%</b>

**SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM**

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	5,886.1	4,269.7	37.9%	6,110.1	5,558.7	9.9%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	30,458.2	27,143.2	12.2%	12,426.7	11,264.4	10.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1,370.6	1,080.9	26.8%	5,409.9	4,738.7	14.2%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	20,143.1	17,323.4	16.3%	16,015.6	16,036.6	-0.1%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	141,876.8	138,378.8	2.5%	169,818.2	141,925.6	19.7%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	33,512.4	29,039.6	15.4%	61,522.2	57,636.2	6.7%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	12,175.7	9,775.1	24.6%	26,911.0	24,936.6	7.9%
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).	2,813.7	2,321.7	21.2%	2,340.4	2,185.2	7.1%
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.	2,682.0	1,950.5	37.5%	2,493.4	2,179.8	14.4%
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.	10,020.8	8,007.5	25.1%	9,605.3	8,726.6	10.1%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4,741.6	4,390.7	8.0%	20,637.1	18,784.2	9.9%
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.	477.2	376.3	26.8%	7,378.9	6,818.7	8.2%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	2,238.2	1,925.6	16.2%	7,268.3	6,527.8	11.3%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	93,921.7	115,043.3	-18.4%	6,087.9	4,412.7	38.0%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	80,315.4	65,294.8	23.0%	31,315.2	32,910.1	-4.8%
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.	51,885.1	45,591.5	13.8%	160,887.5	158,240.0	1.7%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	51,938.3	52,245.7	-0.6%	69,273.1	65,272.1	6.1%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	3,636.8	2,651.8	37.1%	17,298.3	16,073.3	7.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3,378.6	2,944.2	14.8%	10,741.4	9,556.0	12.4%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	331.8	329.6	0.7%	406.1	171.3	137.0%
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	1,367.1	1,199.0	14.0%	1,072.4	755.5	41.9%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	14.9	20.9	-28.6%	46,899.2	42,783.2	9.6%
<b>Total</b>		<b>555,186.2</b>	<b>531,303.6</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>691,918.1</b>	<b>637,493.4</b>	<b>8.5%</b>

## Preliminary BLNS Monthly Statement

<b>METHODOLOGY</b> 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	August 2014 / July 2014 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
Africa	10,217.7	11,194.3	-8.7%	-132.4	2,569.3	2,512.9	2.2%	0.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,217.7</b>	<b>11,194.3</b>	<b>-8.7%</b>	<b>-132.4</b>	<b>2,569.3</b>	<b>2,512.9</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>0.5</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	August 2014	July 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	263.8	268.7	-1.8%	-	218.1	219.0	-0.4%	0.3
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	511.1	535.9	-4.6%	-0.2	50.0	44.9	11.4%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	108.2	124.1	-12.8%	-	1.3	1.8	-27.0%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	975.7	1,024.8	-4.8%	0.5	402.0	392.6	2.4%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1,772.8	2,077.5	-14.7%	-17.1	46.7	55.9	-16.4%	-0.1
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	910.3	968.1	-6.0%	-	546.5	517.0	5.7%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	469.9	465.7	0.9%	-	34.0	39.5	-13.8%	-
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).	44.9	43.6	2.9%	-	40.2	39.2	2.7%	0.3
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.	138.2	135.6	2.0%	-	67.4	70.5	-4.4%	-
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.	231.8	228.0	1.6%	-	35.0	36.3	-3.5%	-
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	479.2	468.3	2.3%	-	313.5	314.0	-0.2%	-
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.	171.6	136.2	25.9%	-	18.2	21.3	-14.4%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	154.9	147.8	4.8%	-	10.4	12.0	-12.8%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	23.4	816.8	-97.1%	-	437.7	397.2	10.2%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	796.1	564.8	41.0%	-	120.1	120.0	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.	1,545.5	1,411.3	9.5%	-	184.1	178.6	3.0%	-
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1,204.1	1,367.6	-12.0%	-115.5	22.2	36.9	-40.0%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	138.0	139.7	-1.2%	-	4.7	3.5	32.5%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	269.7	263.7	2.3%	-	14.1	7.9	77.5%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.5	0.6	-18.6%	-	0.0	0.0	-92.6%	-
XXII (98)	Other unclassified goods.	8.0	5.4	49.1%	-	3.2	4.8	-33.8%	-
XXIII (99)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.2	-98.4%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>10,217.7</b>	<b>11,194.3</b>	<b>-8.7%</b>	<b>-132.4</b>	<b>2,569.3</b>	<b>2,512.9</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>0.5</b>

## Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement

<b>METHODOLOGY</b> 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

PERIOD:	January to August 2014 / January to August 2013					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
World Zone						
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
Africa	83,583.2	71,784.6	16.4%	17,587.2	17,478.8	0.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>83,583.2</b>	<b>71,784.6</b>	<b>16.4%</b>	<b>17,587.2</b>	<b>17,478.8</b>	<b>0.6%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2014	January to August 2013	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2,007.4	1,737.1	15.6%	1,573.3	2,313.7	-32.0%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4,194.8	3,778.5	11.0%	297.1	428.5	-30.7%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	717.1	646.1	11.0%	11.3	10.6	6.9%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	7,080.1	6,544.5	8.2%	2,729.2	2,755.1	-0.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	14,803.0	13,358.0	10.8%	527.7	1,199.2	-56.0%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	6,791.2	5,987.5	13.4%	3,875.5	3,824.0	1.3%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3,648.3	3,418.9	6.7%	254.8	195.9	30.0%
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).	267.4	186.7	43.2%	216.6	123.9	74.8%
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.	972.6	895.0	8.7%	533.9	460.8	15.9%
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.	1,770.0	1,562.7	13.3%	293.4	323.8	-9.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	3,540.8	3,176.0	11.5%	2,168.6	1,660.0	30.6%
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.	1,077.3	972.8	10.7%	145.9	180.7	-19.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1,075.3	976.5	10.1%	71.5	64.6	10.8%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	5,079.7	3,403.3	49.3%	2,408.8	1,863.4	29.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	5,517.6	5,172.0	6.7%	835.2	478.6	74.5%
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.	11,478.0	9,657.0	18.9%	1,209.3	1,216.9	-0.6%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	10,585.8	7,884.2	34.3%	315.1	246.2	28.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1,035.3	761.9	35.9%	27.9	27.1	2.8%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1,876.7	1,616.0	16.1%	61.0	78.5	-22.4%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	3.8	4.9	-22.1%	2.1	0.2	796.7%
XXII (I)	Other unclassified goods.	53.1	44.2	20.2%	29.1	26.8	8.8%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	7.7	0.5	1595.1%	0.0	0.0	5.4%
<b>Total</b>		<b>83,583.2</b>	<b>71,784.6</b>	<b>16.4%</b>	<b>17,587.2</b>	<b>17,478.8</b>	<b>0.6%</b>