

1. SA Trade Statistics for May 2015 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2015 (Preliminary)	R 88 937 064 245	R 83 949 646 342	R 4 987 417 903
April 2015 (Revised)	R 84 992 608 792	R 86 435 556 452	R -1 442 947 660
R Increase/Decrease	R 3 944 455 453	R -2 485 910 110	
% Growth	4.6%	-2.9%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2015 (Preliminary)	R 407 991 069 327	R 437 839 508 139	R -29 848 438 812
January to May 2014 (Revised)	R 396 155 554 318	R 443 109 671 776	R -46 954 117 458
R Increase/Decrease	R 11 835 515 009	R -5 270 163 637	
% Growth	3.0%	-1.2%	

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable Products increased by	R 961 million	(27%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 949 million	(5%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products decreased by	R 852 million	(-14%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones decreased by	R 934 million	(-5%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment increased by	R 1 852 million	(20%)

IMPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable Products increased by	R 241 million	(14%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 654 million	(5%)
Section 7:	Plastics and Rubber decreased by	R 289 million	(-8%)
Section 16:	Machinery and Electronics decreased by	R 1 680 million	(-7%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 476 million	(-5%)

2. International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2015 (Preliminary)	R 77 694 288 759	R 81 807 964 855	R -4 113 676 096
April 2015 (Revised)	R 74 249 914 904	R 84 282 487 359	R -10 032 572 455
R Increase/Decrease	R 3 444 373 855	R -2 474 522 504	
% Growth	4.6%	-2.9%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2015 (Preliminary)	R 354 040 391 393	R 426 081 733 292	R -72 041 341 899
January to May 2014 (Revised)	R 344 331 423 737	R 432 790 319 616	R -88 458 895 879
R Increase/Decrease	R 9 708 967 656	R -6 708 586 324	
% Growth	2.8%	-1.6%	

3. BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
May 2015 (Preliminary)	R 11 242 775 486	R 2 141 681 487	R 9 101 093 999
April 2015 (Revised)	R 10 742 693 888	R 2 153 069 093	R 8 589 624 795
R Increase/Decrease	R 500 081 598	R -11 387 606	
% Growth	4.7%	-0.5%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to May 2015 (Preliminary)	R 53 950 677 934	R 11 757 774 847	R 42 192 903 087
January to May 2014 (Revised)	R 51 824 130 581	R 10 319 352 160	R 41 504 778 421
R Increase/Decrease	R 2 126 547 353	R 1 438 422 687	
% Growth	4.1%	13.9%	

4. Preliminary SA Monthly Statement (including BLNS)

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD: World Zone	May 2015 / April 2015 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	May 2015	April 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	May 2015	April 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	24 965.1	25 493.7	-2.1%	-43.9	8 178.8	8 198.2	-0.2%	-6.3
AMERICA	8 333.1	8 461.7	-1.5%	-22.8	9 819.1	8 481.8	15.8%	-1.5
ASIA	27 234.6	23 844.4	14.2%	-52.6	37 626.1	39 276.3	-4.2%	-83.9
EUROPE	19 808.4	18 566.3	6.7%	-22.4	26 736.8	29 028.8	-7.9%	2.4
OCEANIA	1 070.1	982.0	9.0%	-0.2	1 389.8	1 252.8	10.9%	-1.6
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	5 241.3	7 032.4	-25.5%	1 121.0	199.1	197.6	0.7%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	2 284.5	612.1	273.2%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	88 937.1	84 992.6	4.6%	979.2	83 949.6	86 435.6	-2.9%	-90.9

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		May 2015	April 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	May 2015	April 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 055.6	1 032.6	2.2%	-0.5	1 261.8	1 321.0	-4.5%	-0.4
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 466.7	3 505.2	27.4%	-2.4	1 971.7	1 730.7	13.9%	-0.6
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	288.8	269.9	7.0%	-2.7	655.8	682.9	-4.0%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 558.4	3 265.8	9.0%	-0.0	2 200.6	2 370.6	-7.2%	0.0
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	19 390.6	18 442.1	5.1%	-44.1	14 979.1	14 325.1	4.6%	-85.9
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 442.1	6 294.0	-13.5%	-18.0	8 329.8	8 501.6	-2.0%	-3.9
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 924.5	1 945.6	-1.1%	11.7	3 283.5	3 572.1	-8.1%	-1.3
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).	405.5	450.0	-9.9%	-	316.0	291.9	8.3%	-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.	509.6	598.2	-14.8%	0.1	365.0	381.6	-4.3%	0.2
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.	1 559.6	1 561.2	-0.1%	-2.3	1 232.6	1 323.6	-6.9%	-0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 428.6	1 207.6	18.3%	-0.3	2 673.4	2 822.7	-5.3%	-4.5
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.	202.8	235.4	-13.9%	-0.0	756.1	745.1	1.5%	0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	548.7	451.2	21.6%	-0.2	927.2	975.3	-4.9%	-1.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	16 343.2	17 277.4	-5.4%	1 121.0	500.0	639.4	-21.8%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 493.6	9 834.9	6.7%	-18.2	4 825.6	4 735.1	1.9%	-13.0
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.	8 025.0	7 564.8	6.1%	-35.6	21 028.2	22 708.0	-7.4%	20.4
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	11 262.6	9 410.8	19.7%	-25.8	8 433.2	8 909.3	-5.3%	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.	666.5	640.5	4.1%	-1.9	2 130.2	2 324.3	-8.4%	0.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	697.6	635.3	9.8%	-1.7	1 380.5	1 236.4	11.7%	-0.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	41.1	42.5	-3.5%	0.2	46.3	10.3	349.2%	-
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	625.8	326.5	91.7%	-0.0	94.9	99.9	-5.0%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.4	0.9	-55.1%	-	6 557.8	6 728.5	-2.5%	-0.0
Total		88 937.1	84 992.6	4.6%	979.2	83 949.6	86 435.6	-2.9%	-90.9

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	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to May 2015	January to May 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to May 2015	January to May 2014	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	119 010.2	117 697.9	1.1%	51 071.5	59 383.3	-14.0%
AMERICA	40 180.2	36 206.8	11.0%	47 987.5	43 828.5	9.5%
ASIA	120 533.7	125 608.3	-4.0%	195 912.0	206 527.9	-5.1%
EUROPE	94 639.2	89 831.9	5.4%	135 209.5	126 423.6	6.9%
OCEANIA	4 800.2	3 624.2	32.4%	6 761.7	5 859.5	15.4%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	24 462.9	22 619.0	8.2%	897.2	1 086.9	-17.5%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	4 364.6	567.5	669.0%	-	-	0.0%
Total	407 991.1	396 155.6	3.0%	437 839.5	443 109.7	-1.2%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	5 239.2	4 797.6	9.2%	6 072.8	4 588.9	32.3%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	18 523.0	17 770.8	4.2%	9 251.6	7 757.5	19.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 231.7	1 179.8	4.4%	2 564.4	3 485.8	-26.4%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	16 170.3	15 989.2	1.1%	12 392.1	11 645.7	6.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	89 134.3	102 806.5	-13.3%	78 496.5	114 315.3	-31.3%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	26 750.0	23 705.7	12.8%	42 291.2	40 289.9	5.0%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	8 827.8	9 381.3	-5.9%	17 607.3	16 852.8	4.5%
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).	2 069.7	1 938.5	6.8%	1 670.3	1 518.4	10.0%
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.	2 656.3	2 253.8	17.9%	2 058.1	1 898.6	8.4%
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.	7 464.8	7 464.8	0.0%	6 171.2	6 067.3	1.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	5 906.0	5 391.8	9.5%	15 482.1	14 238.3	8.7%
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.	1 027.6	942.8	9.0%	4 878.9	4 407.7	10.7%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	2 212.3	2 014.0	9.8%	5 045.7	4 387.8	15.0%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	72 711.8	63 841.5	13.9%	3 345.9	4 569.6	-26.8%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	51 178.5	54 693.1	-6.4%	25 146.9	19 848.5	26.7%
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.	38 289.4	38 596.8	-0.8%	106 184.4	99 541.8	6.7%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	50 009.9	36 313.0	37.7%	47 369.9	42 867.6	10.5%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	3 434.8	2 923.1	17.5%	11 250.5	10 738.9	4.8%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3 065.7	3 179.8	-3.6%	6 533.5	6 239.6	4.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	213.2	209.3	1.9%	121.2	289.5	-58.1%
XXII (I)	Other unclassified goods.	1 866.8	742.6	151.4%	635.5	766.2	-17.1%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	8.2	19.5	-57.8%	33 269.7	26 794.0	24.2%
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AMERICA	8 333.1	8 461.7	-1.5%	-22.8	9 819.1	8 481.8	15.8%	-1.5
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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	782.3	776.2	0.8%	-0.5	949.6	1 011.5	-6.1%	0.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 950.1	2 932.0	34.7%	-2.1	1 942.7	1 701.2	14.2%	-0.6
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	208.8	190.6	9.6%	-2.7	654.4	681.2	-3.9%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 642.8	2 370.6	11.5%	-0.1	1 771.6	2 032.4	-12.8%	0.0
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	17 321.9	16 405.9	5.6%	-33.9	14 940.3	14 283.5	4.6%	-85.9
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 521.9	5 377.3	-15.9%	-18.0	7 877.4	8 110.7	-2.9%	-3.8
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 439.5	1 436.8	0.2%	11.7	3 247.2	3 541.2	-8.3%	-1.3
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).	361.9	399.6	-9.4%	-	275.5	254.2	8.4%	-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.	370.0	461.4	-19.8%	-0.0	281.5	311.0	-9.5%	0.2
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.	1 361.6	1 354.5	0.5%	-2.3	1 197.7	1 297.4	-7.7%	-0.3
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	947.2	681.1	39.1%	-0.3	2 381.7	2 532.7	-6.0%	-4.5
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.	56.6	72.6	-22.0%	-0.0	743.0	736.7	0.9%	0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	337.5	312.9	7.9%	-0.0	916.9	965.3	-5.0%	-1.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	15 613.8	16 847.4	-7.3%	1 121.0	489.9	431.5	13.5%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9 727.2	9 054.7	7.4%	-18.2	4 761.8	4 669.5	2.0%	-13.0
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.	6 529.0	6 068.3	7.6%	-35.6	20 790.6	22 482.0	-7.5%	20.4
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	9 947.6	8 248.2	20.6%	-25.8	8 408.3	8 868.8	-5.2%	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.	533.0	522.8	2.0%	-1.9	2 126.1	2 321.7	-8.4%	0.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	380.2	373.4	1.8%	-1.7	1 355.2	1 214.6	11.6%	-0.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	40.6	41.9	-3.1%	0.2	46.3	10.3	349.4%	-
XXII (I)	Other unclassified goods.	620.3	320.7	93.4%	-0.0	92.5	96.6	-4.2%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.4	0.9	-54.6%	-	6 557.8	6 728.5	-2.5%	-0.0
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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	3 906.9	3 575.3	9.3%	4 618.1	3 642.9	26.8%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	15 967.3	15 130.2	5.5%	9 092.5	7 593.7	19.7%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	860.0	781.6	10.0%	2 558.2	3 479.5	-26.5%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	11 420.9	11 699.3	-2.4%	10 429.5	10 093.2	3.3%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	79 962.4	93 744.6	-14.7%	78 279.7	113 940.0	-31.3%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	22 201.2	19 626.7	13.1%	39 847.2	37 875.1	5.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	6 443.0	7 162.1	-10.0%	17 430.9	16 705.3	4.3%
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).	1 835.1	1 792.8	2.4%	1 489.9	1 415.9	5.2%
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.	2 006.6	1 686.1	19.0%	1 687.5	1 577.6	7.0%
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.	6 315.4	6 359.2	-0.7%	6 028.1	5 885.6	2.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	3 567.9	3 190.9	11.8%	13 964.6	12 951.1	7.8%
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.	305.1	279.4	9.2%	4 829.9	4 318.6	11.8%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 482.9	1 380.2	7.4%	4 995.9	4 347.2	14.9%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	69 404.2	60 016.9	15.6%	2 127.5	3 304.0	-35.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	47 419.3	51 353.6	-7.7%	24 740.8	19 388.7	27.6%
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.	30 772.1	31 527.7	-2.4%	105 074.1	98 858.5	6.3%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	43 563.8	29 726.9	46.5%	47 204.9	42 652.9	10.7%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	2 797.3	2 287.3	22.3%	11 231.7	10 722.8	4.7%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 751.2	2 076.1	-15.6%	6 440.5	6 209.4	3.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	211.1	207.1	1.9%	121.0	287.5	-57.9%
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	1 838.8	714.9	157.2%	619.4	746.7	-17.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	8.1	12.6	-35.7%	33 269.7	26 794.0	24.2%
Total		354 040.4	344 331.4	2.8%	426 081.7	432 790.3	-1.6%

8. Preliminary BLNS 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 the publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.</p>
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	May 2015 / April 2015 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	May 2015	April 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	May 2015	April 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	11 242.8	10 742.7	4.7%	-10.6	2 141.7	2 153.1	-0.5%	-0.4
Total	11 242.8	10 742.7	4.7%	-10.6	2 141.7	2 153.1	-0.5%	-0.4

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		May 2015	April 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	May 2015	April 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	273.3	256.4	6.6%	-	312.3	309.6	0.9%	-0.4
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	516.6	573.2	-9.9%	-0.3	29.0	29.5	-1.7%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	80.0	79.3	0.9%	-	1.4	1.7	-21.8%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	915.6	895.3	2.3%	0.1	429.0	338.2	26.8%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	2 068.7	2 036.2	1.6%	-10.3	38.8	41.6	-6.8%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	920.2	916.6	0.4%	0.0	452.4	390.9	15.7%	-0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	485.0	508.8	-4.7%	-	36.4	31.0	17.5%	-
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).	43.6	50.4	-13.5%	-	40.6	37.7	7.7%	-
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.	139.5	136.8	2.0%	0.1	83.5	70.6	18.3%	-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.	198.0	206.7	-4.2%	-0.0	34.9	26.2	33.4%	-
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	481.4	526.5	-8.6%	-	291.7	289.9	0.6%	-0.0
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.	146.2	162.8	-10.3%	-	13.1	8.4	56.5%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	211.2	138.3	52.7%	-0.2	10.4	10.1	3.0%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	729.3	430.0	69.6%	-	10.1	207.9	-95.1%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	766.3	780.3	-1.8%	-	63.8	65.6	-2.7%	0.0
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.	1 496.0	1 496.5	0.0%	-0.0	237.6	226.0	5.1%	-
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 315.0	1 162.5	13.1%	-	24.9	40.5	-38.5%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	133.5	117.7	13.4%	-	4.0	2.6	55.5%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	317.4	261.9	21.2%	-	25.3	21.8	16.2%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.5	0.6	-25.7%	0.0	0.1	0.0	223.9%	-
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	5.5	5.8	-4.9%	-	2.3	3.3	-28.5%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.0	-100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		11 242.8	10 742.7	4.7%	-10.6	2 141.7	2 153.1	-0.5%	-0.4

9. Preliminary BLNS 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 REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD: World Zone	January to May 2015 / January to May 2014					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to May 2015	January to May 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2015	January to May 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	53 950.7	51 824.1	4.1%	11 757.8	10 319.4	13.9%
Total	53 950.7	51 824.1	4.1%	11 757.8	10 319.4	13.9%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(cha pter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to May 2015	January to May 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to May 2015	January to May 2014	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 332.3	1 222.3	9.0%	1 454.6	946.0	53.8%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	2 555.7	2 640.7	-3.2%	159.1	163.8	-2.9%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	371.7	398.2	-6.6%	6.2	6.2	0.1%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4 749.4	4 289.9	10.7%	1 962.6	1 552.5	26.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	9 171.9	9 061.9	1.2%	216.8	375.3	-42.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 548.7	4 079.1	11.5%	2 443.9	2 414.8	1.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 384.8	2 219.2	7.5%	176.4	147.5	19.6%
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).	234.7	145.8	61.0%	180.4	102.5	76.1%
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.	649.8	567.7	14.4%	370.6	320.9	15.5%
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.	1 149.4	1 105.6	4.0%	143.1	181.7	-21.2%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 338.1	2 200.9	6.2%	1 517.5	1 287.2	17.9%
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.	722.5	663.4	8.9%	49.0	89.2	-45.1%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	729.4	633.8	15.1%	49.8	40.5	22.8%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	3 307.6	3 824.6	-13.5%	1 218.4	1 265.5	-3.7%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	3 759.1	3 339.5	12.6%	406.1	459.9	-11.7%
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.	7 517.3	7 069.1	6.3%	1 110.3	683.4	62.5%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	6 446.1	6 586.1	-2.1%	165.0	214.7	-23.1%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	637.5	635.8	0.3%	18.7	16.1	16.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 314.6	1 103.8	19.1%	93.0	30.1	208.5%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	2.1	2.2	-3.3%	0.2	1.9	-91.0%
XXII ()	Other unclassified goods.	28.0	27.7	0.9%	16.0	19.5	-17.9%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	6.9	-97.9%	-	0.0	-100.0%
Total		53 950.7	51 824.1	4.1%	11 757.8	10 319.4	13.9%