

SA Trade Statistics for March 2016 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2016 (Preliminary)	R 96 133 727 769	R 93 217 937 557	R 2 915 790 212
February 2016 (Revised)	R 90 473 017 558	R 91 739 797 465	R -1 266 779 907

R Increase/Decrease	R 5 660 710 211	R 1 478 140 092
% Growth	6.3%	1.6%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2016 (Preliminary)	R 256 345 140 551	R 274 306 476 202	R -17 961 335 651
January to March 2015 (Revised)	R 237 930 798 822	R 267 450 384 914	R -29 519 586 092

R Increase/Decrease	R 18 414 341 729	R 6 856 091 288
% Growth	7.7%	2.6%

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 4:	Prepared Foodstuffs decreased by	R 395 million	(-9%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 2 554 million	(17%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones increased by	R 1 020 million	(6%)
Section 15:	Base Metals increased by	R 1 189 million	(11%)
Section 22:	Other Unclassified increased by	R 495 million	(87%)

IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 2 369 million	(23%)
Section 7:	Plastics & Rubber increased by	R 754 million	(22%)
Section 11:	Textiles decreased by	R 1 087 million	(-23%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics increased by	R 800 million	(4%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 2 307 million	(-22%)

International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2016 (Preliminary)	R 84 297 055 342	R 90 501 254 796	R -6 204 199 454
February 2016 (Revised)	R 79 192 010 756	R 88 594 275 077	R -9 402 264 321
R Increase/Decrease	R 5 105 044 586	R 1 906 979 719	
% Growth	6.4%	2.2%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2016 (Preliminary)	R 223 468 499 280	R 265 868 508 730	R -42 400 009 450
January to March 2015 (Revised)	R 206 000 283 126	R 259 988 053 069	R -53 987 769 943
R Increase/Decrease	R 17 468 216 154	R 5 880 455 661	
% Growth	8.5%	2.3%	

BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
March 2016 (Preliminary)	R 11 836 672 427	R 2 716 682 761	R 9 119 989 666
February 2016 (Revised)	R 11 281 006 802	R 3 145 522 388	R 8 135 484 414
R Increase/Decrease	R 555 665 625	R -428 839 627	
% Growth	4.9%	-13.6%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to March 2016 (Preliminary)	R 32 876 641 271	R 8 437 967 472	R 24 438 673 799
January to March 2015 (Revised)	R 31 930 515 696	R 7 462 331 845	R 24 468 183 851
R Increase/Decrease	R 946 125 575	R 975 635 627	
% Growth	3.0%	13.1%	

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD: World Zone	March 2016 / February 2016 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	March 2016	February 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	March 2016	February 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	25 882.7	24 841.9	4.2%	-24.7	9 819.4	10 547.1	-6.9%	0.2
AMERICA	10 318.4	8 676.3	18.9%	-6.2	11 766.4	11 287.1	4.2%	-0.7
ASIA	27 560.3	25 237.8	9.2%	-518.8	37 648.2	39 116.2	-3.8%	-5.7
EUROPE	21 979.9	23 016.6	-4.5%	342.1	32 618.6	29 732.6	9.7%	-1.0
OCEANIA	1 013.2	1 498.6	-32.4%	1.0	1 110.0	980.5	13.2%	-0.4
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	9 035.8	6 768.0	33.5%	-	255.3	76.3	234.4%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	343.4	433.8	-20.8%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	96 133.7	90 473.0	6.3%	-206.6	93 217.9	91 739.8	1.6%	-7.6

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		March 2016	February 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	March 2016	February 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 326.3	1 427.7	-7.1%	0.0	1 470.2	1 100.0	33.7%	1.3
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 839.5	4 955.8	-2.3%	-0.5	3 540.7	3 051.5	16.0%	-0.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	197.1	233.2	-15.5%	-0.0	838.4	656.2	27.8%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 840.9	4 235.5	-9.3%	-2.8	2 940.9	2 484.2	18.4%	0.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	17 703.3	15 149.5	16.9%	-147.4	12 646.3	10 277.1	23.1%	0.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 798.7	5 580.6	3.9%	-11.8	9 290.2	9 165.6	1.4%	-0.8
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 921.0	1 832.2	4.8%	-3.2	4 218.7	3 464.9	21.8%	-5.1
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).	422.8	426.2	-0.8%	-0.0	310.8	399.5	-22.2%	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.	505.2	713.7	-29.2%	-0.1	503.2	469.6	7.2%	-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.	2 207.7	2 027.7	8.9%	-21.1	1 549.5	1 459.1	6.2%	0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 533.9	1 341.0	14.4%	-0.7	3 545.5	4 632.3	-23.5%	0.8
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.	247.6	232.8	6.4%	-0.1	1 010.4	1 686.2	-40.1%	-0.0
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	780.7	645.5	20.9%	-0.1	1 113.0	1 178.5	-5.6%	-0.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	18 307.3	17 287.4	5.9%	-	971.3	922.3	5.3%	0.8
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	12 098.4	10 909.5	10.9%	19.9	5 093.0	5 485.8	-7.2%	2.5
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.	9 018.2	8 935.1	0.9%	0.1	23 199.5	22 399.5	3.6%	1.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	12 753.6	12 605.5	1.2%	-38.3	8 120.5	10 427.4	-22.1%	-1.1
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	739.3	627.5	17.8%	-0.0	2 816.8	2 698.1	4.4%	0.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	647.6	676.3	-4.2%	-0.5	1 431.7	1 642.0	-12.8%	0.3
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	178.2	58.9	202.6%	-	33.1	13.2	150.6%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 066.4	571.1	86.7%	-	306.9	155.3	97.6%	-0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.4	-85.8%	-	8 267.5	7 971.8	3.7%	-8.5
Total		96 133.7	90 473.0	6.3%	-206.6	93 217.9	91 739.8	1.6%	-7.6

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January to March 2016 / January to March 2015					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	71 682.7	68 638.9	4.4%	29 930.4	34 701.5	-13.7%
AMERICA	24 648.3	23 477.4	5.0%	32 297.5	29 676.2	8.8%
ASIA	74 468.1	70 141.8	6.2%	116 842.8	118 983.3	-1.8%
EUROPE	61 285.1	56 085.9	9.3%	91 827.1	79 471.2	15.5%
OCEANIA	3 163.1	2 749.1	15.1%	3 028.8	4 118.8	-26.5%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	20 041.0	15 372.6	30.4%	379.9	499.4	-23.9%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	1 056.9	1 465.2	-27.9%	-	-	0.0%
Total	256 345.1	237 930.8	7.7%	274 306.5	267 450.4	2.6%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	3 893.6	3 154.9	23.4%	3 697.1	3 488.2	6.0%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	13 472.0	10 555.5	27.6%	8 967.1	5 548.8	61.6%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	717.1	672.6	6.6%	2 104.3	1 223.4	72.0%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	10 838.0	9 455.1	14.6%	7 929.4	7 814.6	1.5%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	48 425.7	51 690.4	-6.3%	33 819.9	49 191.7	-31.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	15 855.2	15 009.3	5.6%	27 451.6	25 464.9	7.8%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	5 244.9	4 963.2	5.7%	11 610.1	10 755.7	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).	1 164.1	1 214.2	-4.1%	1 105.4	1 062.0	4.1%
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.	1 599.4	1 548.5	3.3%	1 531.9	1 311.4	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.	6 054.5	4 346.7	39.3%	4 467.9	3 614.3	23.6%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	3 855.9	3 278.9	17.6%	11 910.5	9 972.7	19.4%
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.	614.4	591.6	3.9%	4 097.2	3 377.2	21.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 911.1	1 213.1	57.5%	3 557.6	3 145.2	13.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	46 973.7	42 274.9	11.1%	2 626.5	2 206.1	19.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	33 405.1	30 949.5	7.9%	16 016.7	15 597.1	2.7%
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.	24 926.6	22 654.0	10.0%	69 654.8	62 454.8	11.5%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	31 297.5	29 446.4	6.3%	27 304.6	30 027.2	-9.1%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 981.2	2 128.8	-6.9%	7 769.3	6 793.0	14.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 842.3	1 732.7	6.3%	4 754.7	3 915.8	21.4%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	277.2	129.8	113.6%	94.8	64.1	48.0%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 995.0	913.9	118.3%	554.8	440.3	26.0%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.7	6.9	-90.6%	23 280.3	19 981.8	16.5%
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ASIA	27 560.3	25 237.8	9.2%	-518.8	37 648.2	39 116.2	-3.8%	-5.7
EUROPE	21 979.9	23 016.6	-4.5%	342.1	32 618.6	29 732.6	9.7%	-1.0
OCEANIA	1 013.2	1 498.6	-32.4%	1.0	1 110.0	980.5	13.2%	-0.4
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	9 035.8	6 768.0	33.5%	-	255.3	76.3	234.4%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	343.4	433.8	-20.8%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	84 297.1	79 192.0	6.4%	-194.8	90 501.3	88 594.3	2.2%	-7.3

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 036.6	1 147.5	-9.7%	0.0	1 203.2	873.1	37.8%	-0.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 207.5	4 357.2	-3.4%	-0.5	3 502.6	3 017.0	16.1%	-0.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	121.6	149.4	-18.6%	-0.0	837.6	650.6	28.7%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 809.4	3 234.1	-13.1%	-2.6	2 607.6	2 041.4	27.7%	0.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	16 046.0	13 610.4	17.9%	-135.9	12 591.2	10 209.1	23.3%	0.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 781.2	4 702.0	1.7%	-11.8	8 767.4	8 496.9	3.2%	-0.8
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 474.7	1 354.8	8.9%	-3.2	4 181.9	3 428.3	22.0%	-5.1
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).	368.6	379.5	-2.9%	-0.0	286.1	373.9	-23.5%	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.	352.6	564.0	-37.5%	-0.0	399.0	367.9	8.5%	-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.	1 975.7	1 806.4	9.4%	-21.1	1 523.6	1 427.4	6.7%	-0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	970.5	840.9	15.4%	-0.7	3 133.7	4 192.1	-25.2%	0.8
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.	81.5	78.2	4.2%	-0.1	1 001.5	1 659.4	-39.6%	-0.0
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	634.5	512.6	23.8%	-0.1	1 103.3	1 167.6	-5.5%	-0.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	17 363.1	16 211.4	7.1%	-	556.2	435.3	27.8%	0.8
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	11 350.1	10 137.8	12.0%	19.9	5 016.2	5 415.1	-7.4%	2.3
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.	7 269.6	7 281.3	-0.2%	0.1	22 902.7	22 074.5	3.8%	2.3
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	11 260.8	11 295.8	-0.3%	-38.3	8 073.2	10 335.1	-21.9%	0.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	564.5	486.0	16.2%	-0.0	2 811.3	2 693.1	4.4%	0.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	387.5	418.7	-7.5%	-0.5	1 399.4	1 602.4	-12.7%	0.3
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	177.9	58.3	205.2%	-	33.0	13.2	150.7%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 063.1	565.4	88.0%	-	303.1	149.1	103.3%	-0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.4	-85.8%	-	8 267.5	7 971.8	3.7%	-8.5
Total		84 297.1	79 192.0	6.4%	-194.8	90 501.3	88 594.3	2.2%	-7.3

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

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AMERICA	24 648.3	23 477.4	5.0%	32 297.5	29 676.2	8.8%
ASIA	74 468.1	70 141.8	6.2%	116 842.8	118 983.3	-1.8%
EUROPE	61 285.1	56 085.9	9.3%	91 827.1	79 471.2	15.5%
OCEANIA	3 163.1	2 749.1	15.1%	3 028.8	4 118.8	-26.5%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	20 041.0	15 372.6	30.4%	379.9	499.4	-23.9%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	1 056.9	1 465.2	-27.9%	-	-	0.0%
Total	223 468.5	206 000.3	8.5%	265 868.5	259 988.1	2.3%

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		January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	3 067.1	2 352.9	30.4%	3 044.2	2 654.3	14.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	11 668.9	9 089.7	28.4%	8 846.5	5 448.3	62.4%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	475.6	460.2	3.3%	2 096.6	1 220.2	71.8%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	7 837.9	6 516.8	20.3%	6 688.4	6 619.6	1.0%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	43 399.8	46 656.3	-7.0%	33 655.5	49 055.4	-31.4%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	13 162.7	12 297.5	7.0%	25 713.9	23 864.2	7.8%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3 952.6	3 572.3	10.6%	11 508.1	10 646.6	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).	1 017.9	1 073.6	-5.2%	1 038.9	959.8	8.2%
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.	1 189.9	1 175.0	1.3%	1 238.7	1 094.9	13.1%
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.	5 357.8	3 602.0	48.7%	4 388.0	3 532.2	24.2%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	2 435.6	1 948.6	25.0%	10 728.5	9 037.1	18.7%
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.	192.6	178.1	8.1%	4 044.2	3 349.8	20.7%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 512.6	833.2	81.5%	3 525.7	3 115.9	13.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	44 121.3	40 126.6	10.0%	1 352.7	1 205.7	12.2%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	31 326.8	28 737.2	9.0%	15 816.9	15 321.7	3.2%
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.	20 213.7	18 129.5	11.5%	68 769.8	61 808.1	11.3%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	27 577.7	25 478.4	8.2%	27 085.2	29 927.6	-9.5%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 561.2	1 742.2	-10.4%	7 753.0	6 781.0	14.3%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	1 141.2	997.5	14.4%	4 657.6	3 869.9	20.4%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	273.7	128.8	112.5%	94.7	64.0	48.0%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 981.4	897.2	120.9%	540.9	429.9	25.8%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.7	6.8	-90.4%	23 280.3	19 981.8	16.5%
Total		223 468.5	206 000.3	8.5%	265 868.5	259 988.1	2.3%

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	March 2016 / February 2016 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	March 2016	February 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	March 2016	February 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	11 836.7	11 281.0	4.9%	-11.9	2 716.7	3 145.5	-13.6%	-0.3
Total	11 836.7	11 281.0	4.9%	-11.9	2 716.7	3 145.5	-13.6%	-0.3

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		March 2016	February 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	March 2016	February 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	289.6	280.2	3.4%	-	267.0	226.9	17.7%	1.3
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	632.0	598.7	5.6%	-	38.1	34.6	10.3%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	75.4	83.8	-10.0%	-	0.8	5.6	-85.5%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 031.5	1 001.4	3.0%	-0.2	333.4	442.8	-24.7%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 657.3	1 539.2	7.7%	-11.6	55.2	68.0	-18.9%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 017.5	878.6	15.8%	-0.0	522.7	668.6	-21.8%	-0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	446.3	477.4	-6.5%	-0.0	36.8	36.5	0.6%	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).	54.2	46.7	16.1%	-	24.7	25.5	-3.2%	-
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.	152.7	149.7	2.0%	-0.1	104.2	101.7	2.4%	-
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.	232.0	221.4	4.8%	-0.0	25.8	31.7	-18.5%	0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	563.4	500.0	12.7%	-	411.8	440.1	-6.4%	-
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.	166.1	154.6	7.4%	-	8.9	26.8	-66.8%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	146.2	132.9	10.0%	0.0	9.6	11.0	-12.2%	-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.	944.1	1 075.9	-12.3%	-	415.2	486.9	-14.7%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	748.4	771.6	-3.0%	0.0	76.8	70.8	8.5%	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.	1 748.6	1 653.8	5.7%	0.0	296.8	324.9	-8.7%	-0.4
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 492.8	1 309.8	14.0%	0.0	47.3	92.2	-48.7%	-1.5
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	174.9	141.5	23.6%	-	5.5	5.0	9.2%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	260.1	257.6	1.0%	-	32.3	39.7	-18.6%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.3	0.6	-51.3%	-	0.0	0.0	90.8%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	3.3	5.7	-41.5%	-	3.8	6.2	-39.5%	-
Total		11 836.7	11 281.0	4.9%	-11.9	2 716.7	3 145.5	-13.6%	-0.3

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

World Zone	January to March 2016 / January to March 2015					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	32 876.6	31 930.5	3.0%	8 438.0	7 462.3	13.1%
Total	32 876.6	31 930.5	3.0%	8 438.0	7 462.3	13.1%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to March 2016	January to March 2015	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	826.5	802.0	3.1%	652.9	833.9	-21.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	1 803.2	1 465.8	23.0%	120.6	100.5	19.9%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	241.5	212.3	13.8%	7.7	3.1	145.8%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 000.1	2 938.3	2.1%	1 241.0	1 195.1	3.8%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	5 025.8	5 034.2	-0.2%	164.4	136.3	20.6%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	2 692.5	2 711.8	-0.7%	1 737.7	1 600.7	8.6%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 292.3	1 391.0	-7.1%	101.9	109.0	-6.5%
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).	146.2	140.7	3.9%	66.4	102.2	-35.0%
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.	409.5	373.4	9.6%	293.2	216.6	35.4%
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.	696.7	744.7	-6.4%	79.9	82.1	-2.6%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 420.3	1 330.3	6.8%	1 182.0	935.5	26.3%
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.	421.9	413.5	2.0%	53.0	27.4	93.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	398.5	379.8	4.9%	31.9	29.3	8.7%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	2 852.4	2 148.3	32.8%	1 273.8	1 000.4	27.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	2 078.3	2 212.3	-6.1%	199.8	275.4	-27.5%
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.	4 712.9	4 524.5	4.2%	885.0	646.7	36.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	3 719.8	3 968.0	-6.3%	219.4	99.6	120.3%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	420.0	386.6	8.7%	16.3	12.1	34.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	701.1	735.2	-4.6%	97.1	45.9	111.8%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	3.5	1.0	262.4%	0.1	0.1	-2.1%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	13.6	16.8	-19.0%	13.9	10.4	33.6%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.1	-100.0%	-	-	0.0%
Total		32 876.6	31 930.5	3.0%	8 438.0	7 462.3	13.1%