

## SA Trade Statistics for September 2016 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2016 (Preliminary)	R 98 915 743 733	R 92 217 345 838	R 6 698 397 895
August 2016 (Revised)	R 89 864 098 372	R 98 744 743 338	R -8 880 644 966

R Increase/Decrease	R 9 051 645 361	R -6 527 397 500
% Growth	10.1%	-6.6%

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2016 (Preliminary)	R 815 241 942 795	R 825 192 767 790	R -9 950 824 995
January to September 2015 (Revised)	R 770 195 805 962	R 807 389 085 455	R -37 193 279 493

R Increase/Decrease	R 45 046 136 833	R 17 803 682 335
% Growth	5.8%	2.2%

### COMMENTS

#### Month on month increase/decrease

#### EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable Products decreased by	R 875 million (-13%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 1 900 million (11%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products increased by	R 763 million (15%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals and stones increased by	R 4 833 million (37%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment increased by	R 1 609 million (13%)

#### IMPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable Products decreased by	R 746 million (-20%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 4 813 million (-30%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals and Stones decreased by	R 1 552 million (-66%)
Section 15:	Base Metals increased by	R 487 million (10%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 359 million (-4%)
Section 20:	Misc Manufactured Articles increased by	R 357 million (20%)
Section 23:	Equipment Components increased by	R 355 million (5%)

## International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2016 (Preliminary)	R 86 324 371 453	R 89 373 133 510	R -3 048 762 057
August 2016 (Revised)	R 77 309 413 343	R 95 711 813 355	R -18 402 400 012
R Increase/Decrease	R 9 014 958 110	R -6 338 679 845	
% Growth	11.7%	-6.6%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2016 (Preliminary)	R 711 220 866 471	R 800 439 239 370	R -89 218 372 899
January to September 2015 (Revised)	R 669 244 033 025	R 784 962 906 698	R -115 718 873 673
R Increase/Decrease	R 41 976 833 446	R 15 476 332 672	
% Growth	6.3%	2.0%	

## BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2016 (Preliminary)	R 12 591 372 280	R 2 844 212 328	R 9 747 159 952
August 2016 (Revised)	R 12 554 685 029	R 3 032 929 983	R 9 521 755 046
R Increase/Decrease	R 36 687 251	R -188 717 655	
% Growth	0.3%	-6.2%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2016 (Preliminary)	R 104 021 076 324	R 24 753 528 420	R 79 267 547 904
January to September 2015 (Revised)	R 100 951 772 937	R 22 426 178 757	R 78 525 594 180
R Increase/Decrease	R 3 069 303 387	R 2 327 349 663	
% Growth	3.0%	10.4%	

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### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD: World Zone	September 2016 / August 2016 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	September 2016	August 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	September 2016	August 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	28 351.9	27 692.0	2.4%	-38.6	8 915.0	13 068.1	-31.8%	0.3
AMERICA	10 165.7	7 078.3	43.6%	-31.5	10 815.6	11 686.1	-7.4%	2.3
ASIA	28 959.1	25 799.0	12.2%	-222.2	41 155.6	42 507.9	-3.2%	-18.1
EUROPE	26 107.5	23 621.0	10.5%	-78.8	29 919.4	30 323.3	-1.3%	-36.6
OCEANIA	1 160.4	1 113.3	4.2%	-0.1	1 149.7	1 030.0	11.6%	0.1
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	3 600.7	3 977.7	-9.5%	-	262.1	129.4	102.5%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	570.6	582.9	-2.1%	-0.0	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>98 915.7</b>	<b>89 864.1</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	<b>-371.2</b>	<b>92 217.3</b>	<b>98 744.7</b>	<b>-6.6%</b>	<b>-52.1</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		September 2016	August 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	September 2016	August 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 257.3	1 130.0	11.3%	-1.7	1 248.1	1 290.8	-3.3%	-0.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	5 837.1	6 712.3	-13.0%	-0.8	2 977.9	3 724.2	-20.0%	-0.2
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	365.3	397.8	-8.2%	-4.4	874.4	713.3	22.6%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4 572.9	4 147.1	10.3%	-2.8	3 053.3	3 292.6	-7.3%	1.0
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	19 592.1	17 691.8	10.7%	-2.4	11 455.3	16 268.2	-29.6%	9.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	6 018.4	5 255.0	14.5%	-19.4	10 007.2	10 331.6	-3.1%	-1.3
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 266.8	2 016.9	12.4%	-0.1	4 212.6	4 370.4	-3.6%	-6.9
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).	444.8	374.3	18.8%	-0.0	421.9	357.3	18.1%	-0.4
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	524.7	615.2	-14.7%	-	424.0	449.4	-5.7%	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.	2 055.5	2 370.5	-13.3%	-237.7	1 589.4	1 623.3	-2.1%	-1.4
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 383.0	1 241.6	11.4%	-0.9	3 855.2	3 685.7	4.6%	-1.3
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.	279.4	267.0	4.7%	-0.0	1 367.5	1 399.3	-2.3%	0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	540.5	533.8	1.3%	-0.0	1 213.3	1 157.3	4.8%	0.2
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	17 917.4	13 084.7	36.9%	-	788.0	2 339.8	-66.3%	1.1
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 944.5	10 448.1	4.8%	-80.2	5 138.7	4 651.9	10.5%	1.1
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.	8 431.7	8 508.5	-0.9%	0.9	22 038.8	22 081.3	-0.2%	-6.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	14 084.8	12 476.2	12.9%	-20.8	8 184.3	8 543.0	-4.2%	-1.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	822.6	1 031.5	-20.3%	0.0	2 746.6	2 643.1	3.9%	-4.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	797.6	740.8	7.7%	0.0	2 140.9	1 784.0	20.0%	-17.4
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	309.0	58.2	430.8%	-0.7	118.0	22.3	428.5%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	470.3	762.7	-38.3%	-0.0	107.5	116.1	-7.4%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.0	1.9%	-	8 254.5	7 899.8	4.5%	-23.8
<b>Total</b>		<b>98 915.7</b>	<b>89 864.1</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	<b>-371.2</b>	<b>92 217.3</b>	<b>98 744.7</b>	<b>-6.6%</b>	<b>-52.1</b>

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	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	232 253.1	224 106.9	3.6%	91 455.6	87 531.7	4.5%
AMERICA	78 848.0	74 207.2	6.3%	96 508.8	88 686.6	8.8%
ASIA	241 120.9	223 943.1	7.7%	354 823.0	366 067.1	-3.1%
EUROPE	208 038.3	180 484.0	15.3%	271 256.9	252 110.1	7.6%
OCEANIA	9 968.2	9 485.6	5.1%	9 909.5	11 509.4	-13.9%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	40 745.1	50 225.5	-18.9%	1 239.0	1 484.3	-16.5%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	4 268.3	7 743.7	-44.9%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>815 241.9</b>	<b>770 195.8</b>	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>825 192.8</b>	<b>807 389.1</b>	<b>2.2%</b>

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		January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	11 070.8	9 668.5	14.5%	12 229.9	11 279.5	8.4%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	49 938.9	40 758.3	22.5%	26 592.7	17 577.9	51.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 930.5	2 481.2	18.1%	6 849.9	4 857.3	41.0%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	36 277.7	31 788.7	14.1%	25 113.5	22 783.4	10.2%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	152 985.5	160 324.1	-4.6%	110 546.7	134 623.1	-17.9%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	49 774.4	48 953.9	1.7%	85 313.9	82 672.0	3.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	17 738.9	16 057.9	10.5%	36 224.4	33 059.1	9.6%
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).	3 660.3	3 633.5	0.7%	3 190.6	3 340.0	-4.5%
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.	5 123.9	4 718.3	8.6%	4 099.2	3 706.6	10.6%
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.	17 129.1	14 040.0	22.0%	13 235.3	11 746.6	12.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	11 556.8	10 388.8	11.2%	33 159.0	29 433.6	12.7%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	2 041.4	1 979.3	3.1%	11 304.6	9 977.4	13.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	4 628.9	4 258.6	8.7%	10 580.7	9 516.8	11.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	137 911.2	139 526.0	-1.2%	9 365.0	6 185.9	51.4%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	100 705.5	94 405.3	6.7%	45 488.1	44 966.5	1.2%
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.	78 363.5	73 852.5	6.1%	202 522.9	198 571.5	2.0%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	112 871.0	96 813.5	16.6%	77 588.1	83 368.4	-6.9%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	6 991.3	6 032.2	15.9%	23 802.9	21 365.1	11.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	6 281.3	6 055.3	3.7%	14 912.6	13 979.0	6.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	996.3	506.8	96.6%	406.9	274.7	48.2%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	6 260.3	3 942.2	58.8%	1 181.2	1 060.2	11.4%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	4.5	10.9	-58.4%	71 484.6	63 044.4	13.4%
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ASIA	28 959.1	25 799.0	12.2%	-222.2	41 155.6	42 507.9	-3.2%	-18.1
EUROPE	26 107.5	23 621.0	10.5%	-78.8	29 919.4	30 323.3	-1.3%	-36.6
OCEANIA	1 160.4	1 113.3	4.2%	-0.1	1 149.7	1 030.0	11.6%	0.1
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	3 600.7	3 977.7	-9.5%	-	262.1	129.4	102.5%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	570.6	582.9	-2.1%	-0.0	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>86 324.4</b>	<b>77 309.4</b>	<b>11.7%</b>	<b>-362.0</b>	<b>89 373.1</b>	<b>95 711.8</b>	<b>-6.6%</b>	<b>-52.1</b>

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	907.0	815.3	11.2%	-1.7	1 053.9	994.1	6.0%	-0.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	5 166.2	6 021.0	-14.2%	-0.5	2 890.7	3 632.2	-20.4%	-0.2
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	231.4	251.7	-8.1%	-4.4	873.9	709.7	23.1%	0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 228.9	2 920.6	10.6%	-2.0	2 567.5	2 810.3	-8.6%	1.0
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	17 817.4	15 760.9	13.0%	2.0	11 413.9	16 223.3	-29.6%	9.6
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 045.6	4 239.5	19.0%	-19.4	9 425.3	9 671.3	-2.5%	-1.2
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 699.9	1 514.7	12.2%	-0.1	4 168.1	4 331.4	-3.8%	-6.9
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).	385.9	322.2	19.8%	-0.0	386.2	330.4	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.	362.2	444.5	-18.5%	-	303.8	326.0	-6.8%	0.0
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	1 768.1	2 105.9	-16.0%	-237.7	1 556.1	1 586.2	-1.9%	-1.5
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	770.0	666.1	15.6%	-0.6	3 299.1	3 218.9	2.5%	-1.3
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.	79.0	73.1	8.0%	-	1 344.3	1 386.0	-3.0%	0.1
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	360.6	336.4	7.2%	-0.0	1 200.3	1 145.4	4.8%	0.2
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	17 276.8	12 509.4	38.1%	-	611.8	2 037.7	-70.0%	1.1
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 134.3	9 646.2	5.1%	-80.1	5 070.9	4 577.3	10.8%	1.1
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.	6 614.3	6 721.2	-1.6%	0.9	21 768.0	21 815.1	-0.2%	-6.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	12 602.1	10 849.5	16.2%	-17.6	8 126.9	8 500.7	-4.4%	-1.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	640.6	859.9	-25.5%	0.0	2 740.2	2 635.7	4.0%	-4.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	459.3	435.2	5.5%	0.0	2 093.6	1 744.4	20.0%	-17.4
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	308.4	57.0	440.9%	-0.7	117.9	22.2	430.9%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	466.3	759.0	-38.6%	-0.0	106.2	113.6	-6.5%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.0	-18.9%	-	8 254.5	7 899.8	4.5%	-23.8
<b>Total</b>		<b>86 324.4</b>	<b>77 309.4</b>	<b>11.7%</b>	<b>-362.0</b>	<b>89 373.1</b>	<b>95 711.8</b>	<b>-6.6%</b>	<b>-52.1</b>

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AMERICA	78 848.0	74 207.2	6.3%	96 508.8	88 686.6	8.8%
ASIA	241 120.9	223 943.1	7.7%	354 823.0	366 067.1	-3.1%
EUROPE	208 038.3	180 484.0	15.3%	271 256.9	252 110.1	7.6%
OCEANIA	9 968.2	9 485.6	5.1%	9 909.5	11 509.4	-13.9%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	40 745.1	50 225.5	-18.9%	1 239.0	1 484.3	-16.5%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	4 268.3	7 743.7	-44.9%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>711 220.9</b>	<b>669 244.0</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>800 439.2</b>	<b>784 962.9</b>	<b>2.0%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	8 409.3	7 195.8	16.9%	9 882.7	8 558.9	15.5%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	44 305.4	36 117.4	22.7%	26 012.6	17 262.8	50.7%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 947.3	1 706.6	14.1%	6 815.8	4 844.0	40.7%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	26 428.1	22 940.9	15.2%	21 169.2	19 190.9	10.3%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	136 861.9	143 427.0	-4.6%	110 100.5	134 211.9	-18.0%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	41 195.4	40 342.2	2.1%	80 578.9	78 128.0	3.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	13 423.3	11 563.8	16.1%	35 887.8	32 738.6	9.6%
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).	3 206.2	3 204.1	0.1%	2 959.6	3 023.2	-2.1%
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.	3 730.6	3 466.2	7.6%	3 071.6	2 958.3	3.8%
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.	14 952.1	11 931.9	25.3%	13 021.8	11 444.7	13.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	6 809.6	6 031.9	12.9%	29 330.8	26 430.1	11.0%
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.	626.8	589.8	6.3%	11 162.7	9 812.9	13.8%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3 210.4	2 817.0	14.0%	10 478.3	9 415.6	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.	132 107.6	133 767.1	-1.2%	6 716.8	3 847.7	74.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	93 865.5	87 414.6	7.4%	44 812.5	44 173.1	1.4%
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.	63 208.3	59 198.1	6.8%	199 946.8	196 362.9	1.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	100 441.0	84 815.1	18.4%	77 098.3	83 108.2	-7.2%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	5 564.6	4 765.8	16.8%	23 748.8	21 325.3	11.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3 718.7	3 546.5	4.9%	14 601.7	13 775.4	6.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	989.6	502.0	97.1%	406.3	274.2	48.2%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	6 214.5	3 889.7	59.8%	1 150.9	1 031.8	11.5%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	4.5	10.7	-57.7%	71 484.6	63 044.3	13.4%
<b>Total</b>		<b>711 220.9</b>	<b>669 244.0</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>800 439.2</b>	<b>784 962.9</b>	<b>2.0%</b>

# Preliminary BLNS Monthly Statement

<p><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</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	September 2016 / August 2016 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	September 2016	August 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	September 2016	August 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	12 591.4	12 554.7	0.3%	-9.2	2 844.2	3 032.9	-6.2%	-0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>12 591.4</b>	<b>12 554.7</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>-9.2</b>	<b>2 844.2</b>	<b>3 032.9</b>	<b>-6.2%</b>	<b>-0.0</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		September 2016	August 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	September 2016	August 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	350.3	314.7	11.3%	0.0	194.3	296.6	-34.5%	-
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	671.0	691.3	-2.9%	-0.3	87.2	92.1	-5.3%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	134.0	146.0	-8.3%	-	0.5	3.6	-87.1%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 343.9	1 226.6	9.6%	-0.9	485.8	482.3	0.7%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 774.7	1 930.9	-8.1%	-4.4	41.4	44.9	-7.8%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	972.8	1 015.5	-4.2%	0.0	581.9	660.4	-11.9%	-0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	566.8	502.3	12.9%	0.0	44.5	39.0	14.1%	-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).	58.9	52.1	13.1%	-	35.7	26.9	32.5%	-
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.	162.5	170.7	-4.8%	-	120.2	123.4	-2.6%	-
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.	287.4	264.5	8.7%	0.0	33.3	37.1	-10.1%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	613.0	575.5	6.5%	-0.2	556.1	466.7	19.2%	-
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.	200.4	193.8	3.4%	-0.0	23.2	13.3	74.3%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	179.9	197.4	-8.8%	-0.0	13.0	11.9	9.3%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	640.6	575.3	11.4%	-	176.2	302.1	-41.7%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	810.1	801.9	1.0%	-0.2	67.7	74.5	-9.1%	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.	1 817.4	1 787.3	1.7%	-	270.8	266.2	1.7%	-0.0
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 482.6	1 626.7	-8.9%	-3.3	57.4	42.3	35.7%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	182.0	171.7	6.0%	-0.0	6.4	7.4	-13.3%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	338.3	305.6	10.7%	-	47.2	39.6	19.3%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.6	1.2	-52.4%	-	0.1	0.1	-23.0%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4.1	3.7	10.8%	-	1.3	2.5	-48.3%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.0	587.6%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>12 591.4</b>	<b>12 554.7</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>-9.2</b>	<b>2 844.2</b>	<b>3 032.9</b>	<b>-6.2%</b>	<b>-0.0</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 September 2016 / January to September 2015					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	104 021.1	100 951.8	3.0%	24 753.5	22 426.2	10.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>104 021.1</b>	<b>100 951.8</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>24 753.5</b>	<b>22 426.2</b>	<b>10.4%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2016	January to September 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 661.5	2 472.7	7.6%	2 347.1	2 720.6	-13.7%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	5 633.5	4 640.8	21.4%	580.1	315.1	84.1%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	983.2	774.6	26.9%	34.1	13.3	155.7%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	9 849.5	8 847.8	11.3%	3 944.3	3 592.4	9.8%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	16 123.6	16 897.1	-4.6%	446.1	411.2	8.5%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	8 579.0	8 611.7	-0.4%	4 735.0	4 544.0	4.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	4 315.6	4 494.1	-4.0%	336.5	320.4	5.0%
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).	454.2	429.4	5.8%	231.0	316.8	-27.1%
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.	1 393.4	1 252.2	11.3%	1 027.6	748.2	37.3%
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.	2 177.0	2 108.1	3.3%	213.5	301.8	-29.3%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4 747.2	4 356.8	9.0%	3 828.2	3 003.5	27.5%
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.	1 414.6	1 389.6	1.8%	141.9	164.6	-13.8%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 418.4	1 441.6	-1.6%	102.4	101.2	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.	5 803.5	5 759.0	0.8%	2 648.3	2 338.3	13.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	6 839.9	6 990.6	-2.2%	675.6	793.3	-14.8%
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.	15 155.3	14 654.4	3.4%	2 576.1	2 208.6	16.6%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	12 429.9	11 998.4	3.6%	489.8	260.2	88.2%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 426.7	1 266.4	12.7%	54.1	39.8	36.1%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 562.6	2 508.8	2.1%	310.9	203.6	52.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	6.7	4.9	37.5%	0.7	0.5	27.6%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	45.8	52.5	-12.7%	30.2	28.4	6.3%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.2	-95.1%	-	0.2	-100.0%
<b>Total</b>		<b>104 021.1</b>	<b>100 951.8</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>24 753.5</b>	<b>22 426.2</b>	<b>10.4%</b>