

SA Trade Statistics for December 2017 (including BLNS)

| | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| December 2017 (Preliminary) | R 104 320 264 316 | R 88 596 194 389 | R 15 724 069 927 |
| November 2017 (Revised) | R 116 185 987 824 | R 103 132 837 738 | R 13 053 150 086 |

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| R Increase/Decrease | R -11 865 723 508 | R -14 536 643 349 | |
| % Growth | -10.2% | -14.1% | |

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

| | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
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| January to December 2017 (Preliminary) | R 1 187 453 171 834 | R 1 106 898 556 089 | R 80 554 615 745 |
| January to December 2016 (Revised) | R 1 100 316 545 064 | R 1 099 270 129 111 | R 1 046 415 953 |

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| R Increase/Decrease | R 87 136 626 770 | R 7 628 426 978 | |
| % Growth | 7.9% | 0.7% | |

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

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| Section 2: | Vegetable Products increased by | R 988 million (31%) |
| Section 5: | Mineral Products decreased by | R 3 655 million (-12%) |
| Section 15: | Base Metals decreased by | R 1 953 million (-14%) |
| Section 16: | Machinery & Electronics decreased by | R 2 083 million (-21%) |
| Section 17: | Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by | R 3 272 million (-23%) |

IMPORTS

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| Section 5: | Mineral Products increased by | R 3 162 million (23%) |
| Section 6: | Chemical Products decreased by | R 2 172 million (-18%) |
| Section 15: | Base Metals decreased by | R 1 535 million (-30%) |
| Section 16: | Machinery & Electronics decreased by | R 3 819 million (-15%) |
| Section 23: | Original Equipment Components decreased by | R 4 682 million (-58%) |

International Trade (excluding BLNS)

| | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| December 2017 (Preliminary) | R 93 397 994 780 | R 85 888 954 172 | R 7 509 040 608 |
| November 2017 (Revised) | R 102 799 567 655 | R 98 891 636 007 | R 3 907 931 648 |
| R Increase/Decrease | R -9 401 572 875 | R -13 002 681 835 | |
| % Growth | -9.1% | -13.1% | |

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

| | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| January to December 2017 (Preliminary) | R 1 053 576 546 912 | R 1 067 855 760 496 | R -14 279 213 584 |
| January to December 2016 (Revised) | R 960 040 397 973 | R 1 065 797 111 965 | R -105 756 713 992 |
| R Increase/Decrease | R 93 536 148 939 | R 2 058 648 531 | |
| % Growth | 9.7% | 0.2% | |

BLNS

| | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| December 2017 (Preliminary) | R 10 922 269 536 | R 2 707 240 217 | R 8 215 029 319 |
| November 2017 (Revised) | R 13 386 420 169 | R 4 241 201 731 | R 9 145 218 438 |
| R Increase/Decrease | R -2 464 150 633 | R -1 533 961 514 | |
| % Growth | -18.4% | -36.2% | |

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

| | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
|--|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| January to December 2017 (Preliminary) | R 133 876 624 922 | R 39 042 795 593 | R 94 833 829 329 |
| January to December 2016 (Revised) | R 140 276 147 091 | R 33 473 017 146 | R 106 803 129 945 |
| R Increase/Decrease | R -6 399 522 169 | R 5 569 778 447 | |
| % Growth | -4.6% | 16.6% | |

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: World Zone | December 2017 / November 2017 Revision | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--|------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | EXPORTS | | | | IMPORTS | | | |
| | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision |
| | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | |
| AFRICA | 25 936.6 | 30 860.7 | -16.0% | -51.5 | 8 306.7 | 10 158.3 | -18.2% | 0.2 |
| AMERICA | 9 170.4 | 12 590.2 | -27.2% | -10.7 | 9 358.1 | 9 498.0 | -1.5% | -1.9 |
| ASIA | 37 363.9 | 39 001.4 | -4.2% | 118.6 | 42 082.4 | 46 478.1 | -9.5% | 1.9 |
| EUROPE | 22 629.9 | 23 344.8 | -3.1% | -32.3 | 27 010.3 | 34 537.6 | -21.8% | -8.5 |
| OCEANIA | 776.4 | 1 488.1 | -47.8% | -2.2 | 1 568.1 | 2 102.5 | -25.4% | 1.7 |
| OTHER UNCLASSIFIED | 7 900.5 | 8 270.7 | -4.5% | - | 270.6 | 358.3 | -24.5% | - |
| SHIP/AIRCRAFT | 542.6 | 630.1 | -13.9% | 0.2 | - | - | 0.0% | - |
| Total | 104 320.3 | 116 186.0 | -10.2% | 22.1 | 88 596.2 | 103 132.8 | -14.1% | -6.6 |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS | | | | IMPORTS | | | |
|-------------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision |
| | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | Rm | | Rm |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 1 297.7 | 1 443.7 | -10.1% | -1.1 | 1 542.0 | 1 638.5 | -5.9% | -0.6 |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 4 123.5 | 3 135.8 | 31.5% | -0.0 | 1 504.8 | 1 680.3 | -10.4% | 0.2 |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 307.2 | 307.2 | 0.0% | -0.0 | 627.7 | 1 223.5 | -48.7% | -19.0 |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 4 464.8 | 5 318.9 | -16.1% | -8.9 | 3 222.7 | 3 288.9 | -2.0% | 0.1 |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 27 699.3 | 31 354.4 | -11.7% | 52.3 | 16 920.3 | 13 758.7 | 23.0% | -0.0 |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 6 205.4 | 6 827.3 | -9.1% | -42.6 | 9 821.6 | 11 993.5 | -18.1% | 1.0 |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 2 008.1 | 2 370.8 | -15.3% | -3.3 | 4 001.5 | 4 666.3 | -14.2% | -0.4 |
| 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). | 450.3 | 461.9 | -2.5% | -0.1 | 315.7 | 438.8 | -28.1% | -0.9 |
| 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. | 592.5 | 687.4 | -13.8% | -1.4 | 329.3 | 457.2 | -28.0% | -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. | 2 086.7 | 1 879.0 | 11.0% | -0.1 | 3 274.5 | 2 818.7 | 16.2% | 0.2 |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1 615.1 | 2 065.7 | -21.8% | -0.0 | 2 623.8 | 3 923.5 | -33.1% | 0.7 |
| 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. | 282.2 | 361.2 | -21.9% | -0.0 | 712.7 | 1 005.5 | -29.1% | -0.0 |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 501.5 | 563.3 | -11.0% | -1.1 | 894.8 | 1 173.1 | -23.7% | 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. | 19 681.7 | 19 142.2 | 2.8% | -0.2 | 881.5 | 1 479.7 | -40.4% | 0.1 |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 12 089.6 | 14 042.2 | -13.9% | 45.1 | 3 609.2 | 5 144.4 | -29.8% | 3.1 |
| 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. | 7 673.1 | 9 756.5 | -21.4% | -5.4 | 22 482.2 | 26 301.3 | -14.5% | 0.1 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 10 827.9 | 14 099.4 | -23.2% | -9.9 | 8 534.1 | 9 176.6 | -7.0% | 5.0 |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 772.3 | 755.2 | 2.3% | -0.1 | 2 428.0 | 2 780.5 | -12.7% | 0.0 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 702.4 | 923.8 | -24.0% | -1.2 | 1 438.9 | 1 965.0 | -26.8% | 1.2 |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 71.3 | 99.4 | -28.2% | - | 19.2 | 77.7 | -75.2% | - |
| XXII (99) | Other unclassified goods. | 851.0 | 590.4 | 44.1% | - | 75.6 | 123.7 | -38.8% | - |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 16.6 | 0.2 | 10028.7% | - | 3 335.8 | 8 017.5 | -58.4% | 2.8 |
| Total | | 104 320.3 | 116 186.0 | -10.2% | 22.1 | 88 596.2 | 103 132.8 | -14.1% | -6.6 |

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | January to December 2017 / January to December 2016 | | | | | | |
|--------------------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| | World Zone | EXPORTS | | | IMPORTS | | |
| | | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/Decrease |
| | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | |
| AFRICA | 313 806.3 | 317 039.9 | -1.0% | 115 802.3 | 120 061.0 | -3.5% | |
| AMERICA | 108 685.9 | 103 123.9 | 5.4% | 117 657.9 | 127 533.0 | -7.7% | |
| ASIA | 384 643.1 | 335 296.5 | 14.7% | 495 353.8 | 476 939.9 | 3.9% | |
| EUROPE | 283 043.4 | 271 480.1 | 4.3% | 359 484.4 | 359 451.3 | 0.0% | |
| OCEANIA | 14 023.8 | 12 839.8 | 9.2% | 15 790.9 | 13 431.1 | 17.6% | |
| OTHER UNCLASSIFIED | 75 130.8 | 54 785.7 | 37.1% | 2 809.2 | 1 853.8 | 51.5% | |
| SHIP/AIRCRAFT | 8 119.9 | 5 750.7 | 41.2% | - | - | 0.0% | |
| Total | 1 187 453.2 | 1 100 316.5 | 7.9% | 1 106 898.6 | 1 099 270.1 | 0.7% | |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS | | | IMPORTS | | |
|-------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/Decrease |
| | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 14 575.0 | 15 145.2 | -3.8% | 19 689.3 | 16 030.7 | 22.8% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 63 937.9 | 60 322.5 | 6.0% | 23 512.2 | 33 033.0 | -28.8% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 3 591.9 | 4 002.5 | -10.3% | 10 159.2 | 10 022.5 | 1.4% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 49 183.4 | 48 957.3 | 0.5% | 36 590.1 | 35 188.9 | 4.0% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 297 571.9 | 226 978.5 | 31.1% | 167 499.8 | 152 946.0 | 9.5% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 72 781.0 | 67 515.4 | 7.8% | 120 568.9 | 114 273.4 | 5.5% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 23 758.8 | 23 890.8 | -0.6% | 48 738.2 | 48 363.1 | 0.8% |
| 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). | 4 660.5 | 4 939.7 | -5.7% | 4 050.6 | 4 331.7 | -6.5% |
| 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. | 7 181.4 | 7 011.5 | 2.4% | 5 066.6 | 5 345.9 | -5.2% |
| 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. | 21 946.7 | 22 494.5 | -2.4% | 19 558.6 | 17 534.1 | 11.5% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 17 421.0 | 16 229.3 | 7.3% | 41 523.2 | 42 924.6 | -3.3% |
| 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. | 3 055.4 | 2 877.9 | 6.2% | 13 070.3 | 14 379.4 | -9.1% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 5 704.8 | 6 178.4 | -7.7% | 12 696.0 | 13 602.2 | -6.7% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 198 548.0 | 182 558.8 | 8.8% | 13 545.6 | 11 728.8 | 15.5% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 140 687.2 | 133 484.1 | 5.4% | 58 469.0 | 59 200.6 | -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. | 95 569.4 | 102 795.2 | -7.0% | 259 543.9 | 269 537.3 | -3.7% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 141 158.5 | 147 780.4 | -4.5% | 110 889.8 | 108 424.6 | 2.3% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 7 970.6 | 9 278.4 | -14.1% | 30 317.1 | 31 903.6 | -5.0% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 8 276.2 | 8 651.8 | -4.3% | 19 442.6 | 20 234.3 | -3.9% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 1 166.8 | 1 183.5 | -1.4% | 673.9 | 679.2 | -0.8% |
| XXII (99) | Other unclassified goods. | 8 684.6 | 8 035.7 | 8.1% | 1 362.6 | 1 496.0 | -8.9% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 22.2 | 5.1 | 336.0% | 89 930.9 | 88 090.2 | 2.1% |
| Total | | 1 187 453.2 | 1 100 316.5 | 7.9% | 1 106 898.6 | 1 099 270.1 | 0.7% |

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| | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision |
| | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | |
| AFRICA | 15 014.3 | 17 474.3 | -14.1% | -39.0 | 5 599.4 | 5 917.1 | -5.4% | -0.3 |
| AMERICA | 9 170.4 | 12 590.2 | -27.2% | -10.7 | 9 358.1 | 9 498.0 | -1.5% | -1.9 |
| ASIA | 37 363.9 | 39 001.4 | -4.2% | 118.6 | 42 082.4 | 46 478.1 | -9.5% | 1.9 |
| EUROPE | 22 629.9 | 23 344.8 | -3.1% | -32.3 | 27 010.3 | 34 537.6 | -21.8% | -8.5 |
| OCEANIA | 776.4 | 1 488.1 | -47.8% | -2.2 | 1 568.1 | 2 102.5 | -25.4% | 1.7 |
| OTHER UNCLASSIFIED | 7 900.5 | 8 270.7 | -4.5% | - | 270.6 | 358.3 | -24.5% | - |
| SHIP/AIRCRAFT | 542.6 | 630.1 | -13.9% | 0.2 | - | - | 0.0% | - |
| Total | 93 398.0 | 102 799.6 | -9.1% | 34.7 | 85 889.0 | 98 891.6 | -13.1% | -7.2 |

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| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS | | | | IMPORTS | | | |
|-------------------|--|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision |
| | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | Rm | | Rm |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 949.5 | 1 069.5 | -11.2% | -0.3 | 1 272.8 | 1 321.4 | -3.7% | -0.6 |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 3 567.4 | 2 549.5 | 39.9% | -0.0 | 1 458.5 | 1 631.3 | -10.6% | 0.2 |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 187.1 | 174.0 | 7.5% | -0.0 | 626.2 | 1 221.5 | -48.7% | -19.0 |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 3 094.4 | 3 733.8 | -17.1% | -8.6 | 2 738.4 | 2 745.5 | -0.3% | 0.1 |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 25 953.6 | 29 473.1 | -11.9% | 61.8 | 16 876.6 | 13 688.0 | 23.3% | - |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 5 227.8 | 5 556.5 | -5.9% | -42.6 | 9 071.9 | 11 147.8 | -18.6% | 1.0 |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 1 545.8 | 1 763.8 | -12.4% | -3.3 | 3 976.7 | 4 615.3 | -13.8% | -0.3 |
| 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). | 395.4 | 394.8 | 0.2% | -0.1 | 307.7 | 421.8 | -27.1% | -0.9 |
| 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. | 451.3 | 494.7 | -8.8% | -1.4 | 241.1 | 327.3 | -26.4% | -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. | 1 836.4 | 1 577.5 | 16.4% | -0.1 | 3 233.1 | 2 785.6 | 16.1% | 0.2 |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1 121.8 | 1 360.1 | -17.5% | -0.0 | 2 288.5 | 3 198.9 | -28.5% | 0.7 |
| 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. | 95.1 | 109.7 | -13.3% | -0.0 | 696.6 | 983.1 | -29.1% | -0.0 |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 366.2 | 373.2 | -1.9% | -1.1 | 887.9 | 1 161.1 | -23.5% | 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. | 19 059.7 | 18 567.1 | 2.7% | -0.2 | 583.7 | 598.4 | -2.5% | 0.1 |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 11 426.7 | 13 112.3 | -12.9% | 45.5 | 3 547.0 | 5 036.3 | -29.6% | 2.2 |
| XVI (84-85) | Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles. | 6 224.6 | 7 788.1 | -20.1% | -5.2 | 22 329.1 | 25 942.2 | -13.9% | 0.2 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 9 913.2 | 12 921.4 | -23.3% | -9.6 | 8 470.1 | 9 125.4 | -7.2% | 5.0 |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 646.3 | 597.5 | 8.2% | -0.0 | 2 426.0 | 2 775.7 | -12.6% | 0.0 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 402.3 | 498.4 | -19.3% | -0.1 | 1 432.0 | 1 951.9 | -26.6% | 1.2 |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 70.8 | 98.5 | -28.1% | - | 19.2 | 77.6 | -75.3% | - |
| XXII (99) | Other unclassified goods. | 846.2 | 585.9 | 44.4% | - | 70.1 | 118.1 | -40.7% | - |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 16.6 | 0.2 | 10028.7% | - | 3 335.8 | 8 017.5 | -58.4% | 2.8 |
| Total | | 93 398.0 | 102 799.6 | -9.1% | 34.7 | 85 889.0 | 98 891.6 | -13.1% | -7.2 |

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: World Zone | January to December 2017 / January to December 2016 | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | EXPORTS | | | IMPORTS | | |
| | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
| | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | |
| AFRICA | 179 929.7 | 176 763.7 | 1.8% | 76 759.5 | 86 588.0 | -11.4% |
| AMERICA | 108 685.9 | 103 123.9 | 5.4% | 117 657.9 | 127 533.0 | -7.7% |
| ASIA | 384 643.1 | 335 296.5 | 14.7% | 495 353.8 | 476 939.9 | 3.9% |
| EUROPE | 283 043.4 | 271 480.1 | 4.3% | 359 484.4 | 359 451.3 | 0.0% |
| OCEANIA | 14 023.8 | 12 839.8 | 9.2% | 15 790.9 | 13 431.1 | 17.6% |
| OTHER UNCLASSIFIED | 75 130.8 | 54 785.7 | 37.1% | 2 809.2 | 1 853.8 | 51.5% |
| SHIP/AIRCRAFT | 8 119.9 | 5 750.7 | 41.2% | - | - | 0.0% |
| Total | 1 053 576.5 | 960 040.4 | 9.7% | 1 067 855.8 | 1 065 797.1 | 0.2% |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS | | | IMPORTS | | |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
| | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 10 723.9 | 11 494.5 | -6.7% | 15 356.8 | 13 199.3 | 16.3% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 57 369.5 | 52 543.1 | 9.2% | 23 081.1 | 32 300.8 | -28.5% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 2 331.9 | 2 677.3 | -12.9% | 10 113.2 | 9 984.6 | 1.3% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 34 674.2 | 34 863.8 | -0.5% | 31 234.6 | 29 759.8 | 5.0% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 278 538.0 | 206 220.5 | 35.1% | 166 753.8 | 152 323.0 | 9.5% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 60 810.7 | 55 662.8 | 9.2% | 112 706.9 | 107 002.6 | 5.3% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 18 031.1 | 17 971.3 | 0.3% | 48 296.9 | 47 903.9 | 0.8% |
| 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). | 4 121.1 | 4 310.2 | -4.4% | 3 870.7 | 3 998.1 | -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. | 5 279.6 | 5 101.2 | 3.5% | 3 671.8 | 3 962.7 | -7.3% |
| 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. | 18 932.6 | 19 461.3 | -2.7% | 19 251.4 | 17 176.7 | 12.1% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 10 740.7 | 9 738.2 | 10.3% | 35 647.9 | 37 459.9 | -4.8% |
| 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. | 964.5 | 851.5 | 13.3% | 12 900.7 | 14 184.0 | -9.0% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 3 926.0 | 4 228.7 | -7.2% | 12 583.3 | 13 467.0 | -6.6% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 191 492.5 | 174 564.4 | 9.7% | 7 200.9 | 8 740.0 | -17.6% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 130 057.9 | 124 281.2 | 4.6% | 57 517.6 | 58 324.7 | -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. | 76 552.7 | 82 542.3 | -7.3% | 256 050.5 | 266 263.3 | -3.8% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 128 290.2 | 131 970.1 | -2.8% | 110 389.5 | 107 872.2 | 2.3% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 6 294.1 | 7 378.1 | -14.7% | 30 255.0 | 31 831.7 | -5.0% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 4 647.5 | 5 028.4 | -7.6% | 19 059.1 | 19 819.3 | -3.8% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 1 159.5 | 1 175.6 | -1.4% | 671.9 | 678.3 | -1.0% |
| XXII (99) | Other unclassified goods. | 8 617.1 | 7 970.6 | 8.1% | 1 311.2 | 1 455.2 | -9.9% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 21.6 | 5.1 | 325.5% | 89 930.9 | 88 090.2 | 2.1% |
| Total | | 1 053 576.5 | 960 040.4 | 9.7% | 1 067 855.8 | 1 065 797.1 | 0.2% |

Preliminary BLNS Monthly Statement

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| <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

| PERIOD: World Zone | December 2017 / November 2017 Revision | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|------------|
| | EXPORTS | | | | IMPORTS | | | |
| | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision |
| | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | Rm | | Rm |
| AFRICA | 10 922.3 | 13 386.4 | -18.4% | -12.6 | 2 707.2 | 4 241.2 | -36.2% | 0.6 |
| Total | 10 922.3 | 13 386.4 | -18.4% | -12.6 | 2 707.2 | 4 241.2 | -36.2% | 0.6 |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS | | | | IMPORTS | | | |
|-------------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|------------|
| | | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision | December 2017 | November 2017 | Percentage Increase/Decrease | Revision |
| | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | Rm | | Rm |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 348.2 | 374.3 | -7.0% | -0.8 | 269.2 | 317.2 | -15.1% | - |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 556.1 | 586.2 | -5.1% | 0.0 | 46.3 | 49.0 | -5.4% | - |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 120.1 | 133.2 | -9.8% | - | 1.5 | 1.9 | -23.9% | - |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 1 370.4 | 1 585.2 | -13.5% | -0.3 | 484.3 | 543.5 | -10.9% | - |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 1 745.7 | 1 881.3 | -7.2% | -9.4 | 43.7 | 70.7 | -38.2% | -0.0 |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 977.6 | 1 270.8 | -23.1% | -0.1 | 749.7 | 845.7 | -11.3% | - |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 462.3 | 607.0 | -23.8% | -0.0 | 24.8 | 51.1 | -51.5% | -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). | 54.9 | 67.2 | -18.3% | - | 8.0 | 17.0 | -52.9% | 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. | 141.2 | 192.7 | -26.7% | - | 88.2 | 129.8 | -32.1% | -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. | 250.3 | 301.5 | -17.0% | -0.0 | 41.4 | 33.2 | 24.8% | - |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 493.3 | 705.6 | -30.1% | -0.0 | 335.4 | 724.6 | -53.7% | -0.1 |
| XII (64-67) | Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair. | 187.1 | 251.4 | -25.6% | - | 16.0 | 22.3 | -28.1% | - |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 135.3 | 190.2 | -28.8% | -0.0 | 6.9 | 12.0 | -42.4% | 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. | 622.0 | 575.1 | 8.2% | - | 297.8 | 881.3 | -66.2% | - |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 662.9 | 929.9 | -28.7% | -0.4 | 62.3 | 108.1 | -42.4% | 0.9 |
| 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. | 1 448.5 | 1 968.4 | -26.4% | -0.2 | 153.2 | 359.1 | -57.3% | -0.1 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 914.7 | 1 178.0 | -22.4% | -0.2 | 63.9 | 51.2 | 24.8% | - |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 126.0 | 157.8 | -20.1% | -0.1 | 2.1 | 4.8 | -56.5% | -0.0 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 300.2 | 425.4 | -29.4% | -1.0 | 6.9 | 13.2 | -47.2% | - |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 0.5 | 0.9 | -40.6% | - | 0.0 | 0.0 | 169.3% | - |
| XXII (99) | Other unclassified goods. | 4.8 | 4.4 | 7.8% | - | 5.5 | 5.6 | -0.3% | - |
| Total | | 10 922.3 | 13 386.4 | -18.4% | -12.6 | 2 707.2 | 4 241.2 | -36.2% | 0.6 |

Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: World Zone | January to December 2017 / January to December 2016 | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | EXPORTS | | | IMPORTS | | |
| | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
| | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | |
| AFRICA | 133 876.6 | 140 276.1 | -4.6% | 39 042.8 | 33 473.0 | 16.6% |
| Total | 133 876.6 | 140 276.1 | -4.6% | 39 042.8 | 33 473.0 | 16.6% |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS | | | IMPORTS | | |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to December 2017 | January to December 2016 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
| | | Rm | Rm | | Rm | Rm | |
| | | I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 3 851.1 | 3 650.7 | 5.5% | 4 332.6 |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 6 568.4 | 7 779.4 | -15.6% | 431.2 | 732.3 | -41.1% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 1 259.9 | 1 325.2 | -4.9% | 45.9 | 37.9 | 21.2% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 14 509.3 | 14 093.6 | 2.9% | 5 355.5 | 5 429.1 | -1.4% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 19 033.9 | 20 758.0 | -8.3% | 746.0 | 623.1 | 19.7% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 11 970.4 | 11 852.6 | 1.0% | 7 862.1 | 7 270.8 | 8.1% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 5 727.7 | 5 919.5 | -3.2% | 441.3 | 459.2 | -3.9% |
| 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). | 539.4 | 629.5 | -14.3% | 179.8 | 333.6 | -46.1% |
| 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. | 1 901.8 | 1 910.3 | -0.4% | 1 394.8 | 1 383.2 | 0.8% |
| 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. | 3 014.0 | 3 033.2 | -0.6% | 307.2 | 357.4 | -14.0% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 6 680.3 | 6 491.1 | 2.9% | 5 875.4 | 5 464.7 | 7.5% |
| 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. | 2 091.0 | 2 026.4 | 3.2% | 169.7 | 195.4 | -13.2% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 1 778.8 | 1 949.7 | -8.8% | 112.7 | 135.2 | -16.7% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 7 055.5 | 7 994.4 | -11.7% | 6 344.7 | 2 988.8 | 112.3% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 10 629.3 | 9 202.8 | 15.5% | 951.4 | 875.9 | 8.6% |
| 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. | 19 016.8 | 20 252.9 | -6.1% | 3 493.3 | 3 274.0 | 6.7% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 12 868.3 | 15 810.2 | -18.6% | 500.3 | 552.4 | -9.4% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 1 676.5 | 1 900.3 | -11.8% | 62.1 | 71.9 | -13.6% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 3 628.8 | 3 623.4 | 0.1% | 383.5 | 415.0 | -7.6% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 7.4 | 8.0 | -7.4% | 2.0 | 0.8 | 136.7% |
| XXII (99) | Other unclassified goods. | 67.5 | 65.0 | 3.8% | 51.4 | 40.8 | 25.9% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 0.6 | 0.0 | 5690.1% | - | - | 0.0% |
| Total | | 133 876.6 | 140 276.1 | -4.6% | 39 042.8 | 33 473.0 | 16.6% |