

SA Trade Statistics for January 2018 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January 2018 (Preliminary)	R 80 507 920 051	R 108 170 530 577	R -27 662 610 526
December 2017 (Revised)	R 104 024 565 257	R 88 716 919 924	R 15 307 645 333

R Increase/Decrease	R -23 516 645 206	R 19 453 610 653
% Growth	-22.6%	21.9%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

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January to January 2018 (Preliminary)	R 80 507 920 051	R 108 170 530 577	R -27 662 610 526
January to January 2017 (Revised)	R 80 135 234 522	R 91 414 689 989	R -11 279 455 467

R Increase/Decrease	R 372 685 529	R 16 755 840 588
% Growth	0.5%	18.3%

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 4:	Prepared Foodstuff decreased by	R 1 195 million (-27%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 5 907 million (-21%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones decreased by	R 6 667 million (-34%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics decreased by	R 1 610 million (-21%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 5 023 million (-47%)

IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 3 497 million (21%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products increased by	R 1 441 million (15%)
Section 15:	Base Metals increased by	R 2 008 million (56%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics increased by	R 2 206 million (10%)
Section 23:	Original Equipment Components increased by	R 4 628 million (139%)

International Trade (excluding BLNS)

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January 2018 (Preliminary)	R 71 427 138 285	R 105 263 976 946	R -33 836 838 661
December 2017 (Revised)	R 93 128 939 097	R 86 009 421 875	R 7 119 517 222
R Increase/Decrease	R -21 701 800 812	R 19 254 555 071	
% Growth	-23.3%	22.4%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to January 2018 (Preliminary)	R 71 427 138 285	R 105 263 976 946	R -33 836 838 661
January to January 2017 (Revised)	R 71 167 243 222	R 88 884 251 595	R -17 717 008 373
R Increase/Decrease	R 259 895 063	R 16 379 725 351	
% Growth	0.4%	18.4%	

BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January 2018 (Preliminary)	R 9 080 781 766	R 2 906 553 631	R 6 174 228 135
December 2017 (Revised)	R 10 895 626 160	R 2 707 498 049	R 8 188 128 111
R Increase/Decrease	R -1 814 844 394	R 199 055 582	
% Growth	-16.7%	7.4%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to January 2018 (Preliminary)	R 9 080 781 766	R 2 906 553 631	R 6 174 228 135
January to January 2017 (Revised)	R 8 967 991 300	R 2 530 438 394	R 6 437 552 906
R Increase/Decrease	R 112 790 466	R 376 115 237	
% Growth	1.3%	14.9%	

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AFRICA	22 101.2	25 848.0	-14.5%	-88.6	12 798.0	8 306.9	54.1%	0.2
AMERICA	7 072.7	9 073.8	-22.1%	-96.5	9 301.3	9 350.9	-0.5%	-7.2
ASIA	26 582.6	37 277.2	-28.7%	-86.7	51 292.8	42 211.3	21.5%	128.9
EUROPE	17 040.2	22 603.4	-24.6%	-26.5	32 857.1	27 008.7	21.7%	-1.6
OCEANIA	639.4	778.8	-17.9%	2.5	1 693.7	1 568.5	8.0%	0.4
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	6 437.6	7 900.5	-18.5%	-	227.6	270.6	-15.9%	-0.0
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	634.1	542.8	16.8%	0.2	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	80 507.9	104 024.6	-22.6%	-295.7	108 170.5	88 716.9	21.9%	120.7

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 284.3	1 296.9	-1.0%	-0.8	1 785.5	1 540.4	15.9%	-1.7
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 246.9	4 122.3	3.0%	-1.2	1 898.4	1 504.9	26.1%	0.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	227.6	307.1	-25.9%	-0.1	933.3	627.7	48.7%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 268.1	4 462.9	-26.8%	-1.9	3 050.8	3 222.6	-5.3%	-0.2
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	21 680.6	27 587.1	-21.4%	-112.1	20 549.7	17 052.6	20.5%	132.3
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 670.1	6 202.0	-8.6%	-3.4	11 265.1	9 824.1	14.7%	2.4
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 574.0	1 994.7	-21.1%	-13.4	5 266.2	3 997.2	31.7%	-4.3
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	311.9	450.3	-30.7%	0.0	342.2	315.2	8.5%	-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.	446.1	592.0	-24.7%	-0.4	459.6	329.0	39.7%	-0.3
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.	1 942.7	2 086.8	-6.9%	0.2	3 142.9	3 275.2	-4.0%	0.7
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 084.1	1 615.6	-32.9%	0.5	3 638.2	2 623.0	38.7%	-0.9
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	149.5	282.2	-47.0%	-0.1	1 226.2	713.0	72.0%	0.3
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	366.8	500.4	-26.7%	-1.1	1 308.1	894.7	46.2%	-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.	13 012.5	19 680.0	-33.9%	-1.8	2 085.1	881.5	136.5%	0.1
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	11 971.0	11 995.7	-0.2%	-93.9	5 619.0	3 610.7	55.6%	1.5
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.	6 058.8	7 669.3	-21.0%	-3.9	24 679.2	22 473.3	9.8%	-8.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	5 730.6	10 753.2	-46.7%	-74.6	8 683.0	8 531.8	1.8%	-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.	496.4	784.7	-36.7%	12.5	2 531.1	2 429.3	4.2%	1.3
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	461.0	702.3	-34.4%	-0.1	1 604.2	1 439.2	11.5%	0.3
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	48.1	71.3	-32.6%	0.0	35.3	19.2	83.5%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	476.5	850.9	-44.0%	-0.0	103.9	76.5	35.8%	0.9
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	16.6	-99.0%	-	7 963.4	3 335.8	138.7%	-0.0
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AMERICA	7 072.7	6 584.1	7.4%	9 301.3	9 016.0	3.2%
ASIA	26 582.6	27 556.6	-3.5%	51 292.8	42 085.5	21.9%
EUROPE	17 040.2	18 713.2	-8.9%	32 857.1	28 720.0	14.4%
OCEANIA	639.4	714.6	-10.5%	1 693.7	849.5	99.4%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	6 437.6	5 309.8	21.2%	227.6	82.2	177.0%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	634.1	754.0	-15.9%	-	-	0.0%
Total	80 507.9	80 135.2	0.5%	108 170.5	91 414.7	18.3%

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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 246.9	4 203.0	1.0%	1 898.4	2 715.1	-30.1%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	227.6	230.1	-1.1%	933.3	977.8	-4.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 268.1	2 877.5	13.6%	3 050.8	3 293.0	-7.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	21 680.6	23 387.1	-7.3%	20 549.7	14 078.1	46.0%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 670.1	5 125.3	10.6%	11 265.1	9 917.2	13.6%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 574.0	1 458.1	8.0%	5 266.2	4 431.2	18.8%
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).	311.9	310.6	0.4%	342.2	359.9	-4.9%
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.	446.1	378.4	17.9%	459.6	506.8	-9.3%
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.	1 942.7	1 665.2	16.7%	3 142.9	1 444.5	117.6%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 084.1	1 034.9	4.8%	3 638.2	3 540.3	2.8%
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.	149.5	136.4	9.6%	1 226.2	1 163.5	5.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	366.8	334.2	9.8%	1 308.1	1 133.5	15.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	13 012.5	14 082.2	-7.6%	2 085.1	874.6	138.4%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	11 971.0	10 444.0	14.6%	5 619.0	5 453.7	3.0%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	6 058.8	5 587.4	8.4%	24 679.2	21 218.6	16.3%
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XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	496.4	428.5	15.8%	2 531.1	2 381.9	6.3%
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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 747.3	3 566.2	5.1%	-1.2	1 867.4	1 458.6	28.0%	0.1
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	138.2	187.0	-26.1%	-0.1	931.7	626.2	48.8%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 163.5	3 092.5	-30.0%	-1.9	2 722.1	2 738.0	-0.6%	-0.4
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XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	260.5	365.0	-28.6%	-1.1	1 299.5	887.8	46.4%	-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.	12 971.0	19 057.9	-31.9%	-1.8	1 358.4	583.7	132.7%	0.1
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XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	263.8	402.2	-34.4%	-0.1	1 596.5	1 432.2	11.5%	0.3
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	47.9	70.8	-32.4%	0.0	35.3	19.2	83.9%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	470.6	846.1	-44.4%	-0.0	95.8	71.0	34.9%	0.9
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III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	138.2	144.3	-4.2%	931.7	977.5	-4.7%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 163.5	1 865.7	16.0%	2 722.1	2 922.9	-6.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	20 077.0	21 915.6	-8.4%	20 493.3	14 028.6	46.1%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 762.5	4 330.4	10.0%	10 746.4	9 233.8	16.4%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 198.2	1 102.2	8.7%	5 229.8	4 398.9	18.9%
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).	272.5	272.2	0.1%	327.2	344.3	-5.0%
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.	332.4	265.0	25.4%	351.1	403.5	-13.0%
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.	1 665.1	1 386.7	20.1%	3 122.5	1 415.1	120.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	706.0	669.1	5.5%	3 256.4	3 139.8	3.7%
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.	43.2	37.0	16.8%	1 218.4	1 158.1	5.2%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	260.5	224.6	16.0%	1 299.5	1 126.3	15.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	12 971.0	13 558.6	-4.3%	1 358.4	590.2	130.2%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	11 431.9	9 937.3	15.0%	5 532.9	5 385.3	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.	4 673.8	4 362.3	7.1%	24 470.6	20 997.2	16.5%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	4 845.7	5 163.0	-6.1%	8 645.0	7 654.0	12.9%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	373.5	317.6	17.6%	2 526.8	2 377.5	6.3%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	263.8	243.2	8.5%	1 596.5	1 534.6	4.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	47.9	47.1	1.7%	35.3	60.1	-41.3%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	470.6	788.7	-40.3%	95.8	161.5	-40.7%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	0.1	53.7%	7 963.4	7 162.8	11.2%
Total		71 427.1	71 167.2	0.4%	105 264.0	88 884.3	18.4%

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

PERIOD: World Zone	January 2018 / December 2017 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	January 2018	December 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	January 2018	December 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	9 080.8	10 895.6	-16.7%	-26.6	2 906.6	2 707.5	7.4%	0.3
Total	9 080.8	10 895.6	-16.7%	-26.6	2 906.6	2 707.5	7.4%	0.3

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		January 2018	December 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	January 2018	December 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	301.9	348.2	-13.3%	-0.0	312.1	268.2	16.3%	-0.9
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	499.6	556.1	-10.2%	-0.0	31.0	46.3	-33.1%	-0.0
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	89.4	120.1	-25.6%	-	1.6	1.5	7.1%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 104.6	1 370.4	-19.4%	-0.0	328.7	484.6	-32.2%	0.3
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 603.6	1 717.8	-6.6%	-27.9	56.5	43.6	29.4%	-0.0
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	907.6	977.8	-7.2%	0.2	518.7	749.7	-30.8%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	375.8	462.4	-18.7%	0.1	36.4	24.7	47.1%	-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).	39.4	54.9	-28.1%	0.0	15.0	8.0	86.7%	-
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	113.7	141.2	-19.5%	-	108.5	88.2	23.1%	-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.	277.6	250.6	10.8%	0.3	20.5	41.4	-50.5%	-0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	378.1	493.4	-23.4%	0.1	381.8	335.4	13.8%	-0.0
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	106.3	187.1	-43.2%	-	7.8	16.0	-51.4%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	106.3	135.3	-21.4%	-	8.6	6.9	24.5%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	41.5	622.0	-93.3%	-	726.6	297.8	144.0%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	539.1	662.8	-18.7%	-0.1	86.1	62.5	37.8%	0.2
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.	1 385.0	1 449.7	-4.5%	1.1	208.6	154.0	35.4%	0.9
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	884.9	914.1	-3.2%	-0.6	38.0	63.9	-40.5%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	122.9	126.0	-2.5%	-	4.3	2.1	107.0%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	197.2	300.1	-34.3%	-0.0	7.7	6.9	10.9%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.2	0.5	-60.7%	-	0.0	0.0	-97.7%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.9	4.8	22.6%	-	8.2	5.5	47.3%	-
Total		9 080.8	10 895.6	-16.7%	-26.6	2 906.6	2 707.5	7.4%	0.3

Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement

METHODOLOGY 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 January 2018 / January to January 2017					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to January 2018	January to January 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to January 2018	January to January 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	9 080.8	8 968.0	1.3%	2 906.6	2 530.4	14.9%
Total	9 080.8	8 968.0	1.3%	2 906.6	2 530.4	14.9%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to January 2018	January to January 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to January 2018	January to January 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	301.9	285.1	5.9%	312.1	171.3	82.1%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	499.6	553.4	-9.7%	31.0	28.4	9.2%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	89.4	85.8	4.2%	1.6	0.3	415.1%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 104.6	1 011.8	9.2%	328.7	370.1	-11.2%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 603.6	1 471.5	9.0%	56.5	49.4	14.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	907.6	794.9	14.2%	518.7	683.4	-24.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	375.8	355.9	5.6%	36.4	32.3	12.5%
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).	39.4	38.4	2.7%	15.0	15.7	-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.	113.7	113.5	0.2%	108.5	103.3	5.1%
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.	277.6	278.5	-0.3%	20.5	29.4	-30.3%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	378.1	365.8	3.4%	381.8	400.5	-4.7%
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.	106.3	99.4	7.0%	7.8	5.4	45.0%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	106.3	109.6	-3.0%	8.6	7.2	19.7%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	41.5	523.7	-92.1%	726.6	284.4	155.5%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	539.1	506.6	6.4%	86.1	68.4	25.9%
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.	1 385.0	1 225.1	13.1%	208.6	221.5	-5.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	884.9	840.4	5.3%	38.0	18.3	107.8%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	122.9	110.8	10.9%	4.3	4.4	-2.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	197.2	194.2	1.6%	7.7	32.7	-76.5%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.2	0.3	-34.4%	0.0	0.0	-94.0%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.9	3.4	74.2%	8.2	4.0	105.8%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.0	-100.0%	-	-	0.0%
Total		9 080.8	8 968.0	1.3%	2 906.6	2 530.4	14.9%