

SA Trade Statistics for September 2018 (including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2018 (Preliminary)	R 113 694 546 329	R 116 646 965 571	R -2 952 419 242
August 2018 (Revised)	R 116 758 703 437	R 107 989 480 106	R 8 769 223 331

R Increase/Decrease	R -3 064 157 108	R 8 657 485 465
% Growth	-2.6%	8.0%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2018 (Preliminary)	R 908 676 643 119	R 909 002 474 314	R -325 831 195
January to September 2017 (Revised)	R 860 288 136 742	R 815 402 177 126	R 44 885 959 616

R Increase/Decrease	R 48 388 506 377	R 93 600 297 188
% Growth	5.6%	11.5%

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products decreased by	R 1 399 million (-16%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones increased by	R 837 million (4%)
Section 15:	Base metals decreased by	R 747 million (-5%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics decreased by	R 631 million (-7%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments decreased by	R 947 million (-6%)

IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 10 971 million (75%)
Section 6:	Chemical products decreased by	R 635 million (-5%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics increased by	R 1 106 million (5%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments decreased by	R 832 million (-8%)
Section 23:	Original equipment components decreased by	R 1 223 million (-12%)

International Trade (excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2018 (Preliminary)	R 101 453 478 368	R 113 235 204 560	R -11 781 726 192
August 2018 (Revised)	R 104 261 507 657	R 104 221 613 521	R 39 894 136
R Increase/Decrease	R -2 808 029 289	R 9 013 591 039	
% Growth	-2.7%	8.6%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2018 (Preliminary)	R 810 939 709 122	R 879 148 145 129	R -68 208 436 007
January to September 2017 (Revised)	R 763 468 930 566	R 787 299 587 702	R -23 830 657 136
R Increase/Decrease	R 47 470 778 556	R 91 848 557 427	
% Growth	6.2%	11.7%	

BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
September 2018 (Preliminary)	R 12 241 067 961	R 3 411 761 011	R 8 829 306 950
August 2018 (Revised)	R 12 497 195 780	R 3 767 866 585	R 8 729 329 195
R Increase/Decrease	R -256 127 819	R -356 105 574	
% Growth	-2.0%	-9.5%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to September 2018 (Preliminary)	R 97 736 933 997	R 29 854 329 185	R 67 882 604 812
January to September 2017 (Revised)	R 96 819 206 176	R 28 102 589 424	R 68 716 616 752
R Increase/Decrease	R 917 727 821	R 1 751 739 761	
% Growth	0.9%	6.2%	

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	September 2018	August 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	September 2018	August 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	29 384	30 302	-3.0%	-46.2	15 185	11 479	32.3%	3.5
AMERICA	9 796	9 007	8.8%	-11.3	11 785	11 218	5.1%	-4.4
ASIA	34 990	35 879	-2.5%	-41.0	54 698	47 446	15.3%	-8.1
EUROPE	32 868	31 476	4.4%	-19.1	33 013	35 656	-7.4%	-88.1
OCEANIA	1 078	1 785	-39.6%	-7.4	1 588	1 782	-10.8%	-1.9
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	5 354	7 978	-32.9%	-	377	409	-7.7%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	226	330	-31.5%	0.4	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	113 694.5	116 758.7	-2.6%	-124.6	116 647	107 989	8.0%	-99.1

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 214.9	1 332.5	-8.8%	-0.2	1 775.4	1 950.4	-9.0%	-7.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	7 114.9	8 513.8	-16.4%	-0.7	1 632.6	1 808.9	-9.7%	0.6
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	229.4	264.8	-13.4%	0.1	939.8	684.0	37.4%	-0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4 710.4	4 671.8	0.8%	-0.8	3 308.8	3 514.7	-5.9%	-0.8
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	25 660.3	26 104.7	-1.7%	-28.8	25 550.9	14 579.5	75.3%	4.4
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	6 705.3	6 937.5	-3.3%	-9.7	11 873.3	12 508.5	-5.1%	1.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 218.9	2 301.7	-3.6%	-2.4	4 930.9	4 728.3	4.3%	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).	345.6	328.8	5.1%	-0.0	416.8	381.4	9.3%	0.1
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.	647.2	760.9	-14.9%	0.1	436.0	461.4	-5.5%	-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.	2 439.2	2 297.7	6.2%	-86.9	3 011.5	2 977.0	1.2%	-0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 605.8	1 572.8	2.1%	-2.8	4 003.4	4 105.1	-2.5%	0.6
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.	277.9	264.5	5.1%	-0.0	1 345.6	1 615.9	-16.7%	0.2
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	585.1	582.8	0.4%	-0.5	1 335.9	1 304.1	2.4%	-1.7
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	20 476.8	19 639.8	4.3%	-0.3	2 208.5	2 691.8	-18.0%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	13 015.4	13 762.1	-5.4%	31.1	5 507.6	5 625.3	-2.1%	1.7
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.	8 622.6	9 253.9	-6.8%	-2.6	24 653.5	23 547.7	4.7%	6.1
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	15 514.9	16 461.5	-5.7%	-20.8	9 200.1	10 031.9	-8.3%	-104.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	714.2	696.8	2.5%	0.0	2 907.1	2 754.1	5.6%	1.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	725.9	743.5	-2.4%	0.6	2 148.7	2 039.1	5.4%	-1.1
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	96.8	64.6	49.8%	0.0	91.6	91.5	0.1%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	773.0	200.6	285.4%	-	109.8	107.0	2.6%	0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	1.8	-87.3%	-	9 259.0	10 482.0	-11.7%	0.2
Total		113 694.5	116 758.7	-2.6%	-124.6	116 647.0	107 989.5	8.0%	-99.1

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	January to September 2018	January to September 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2018	January to September 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	242 221.9	228 215.3	6.1%	110 774.5	87 618.3	26.4%
AMERICA	77 677.1	77 541.2	0.2%	86 815.2	89 029.9	-2.5%
ASIA	285 644.7	273 458.4	4.5%	411 184.7	360 260.1	14.1%
EUROPE	229 485.6	213 276.1	7.6%	282 322.9	266 126.0	6.1%
OCEANIA	9 743.2	10 672.2	-8.7%	14 526.9	10 684.4	36.0%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	59 988.3	50 956.2	17.7%	3 378.2	1 683.4	100.7%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	3 915.9	6 168.7	-36.5%	-	-	0.0%
Total	908 676.6	860 288.1	5.6%	909 002.5	815 402.2	11.5%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	11 149.8	10 667.7	4.5%	15 760.1	14 882.0	5.9%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	55 205.4	53 054.4	4.1%	17 468.4	18 604.3	-6.1%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 433.2	2 689.9	-9.5%	6 316.5	7 557.6	-16.4%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	37 811.1	34 724.0	8.9%	26 831.4	26 638.4	0.7%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	211 385.7	208 438.4	1.4%	170 045.0	124 020.6	37.1%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	56 723.9	53 075.9	6.9%	97 259.6	87 150.2	11.6%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	20 612.3	17 167.4	20.1%	40 457.4	35 698.2	13.3%
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).	3 076.2	3 338.2	-7.8%	2 891.5	2 850.4	1.4%
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.	5 545.2	5 325.6	4.1%	3 918.0	3 811.4	2.8%
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.	16 449.4	16 127.3	2.0%	25 171.9	11 313.2	122.5%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	12 881.1	11 969.2	7.6%	32 633.5	30 908.0	5.6%
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.	2 078.7	2 060.2	0.9%	10 323.4	9 990.7	3.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	4 631.2	4 113.0	12.6%	10 737.8	9 429.8	13.9%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	159 032.9	142 623.2	11.5%	15 404.9	9 395.9	64.0%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	111 575.5	102 621.3	8.7%	44 796.4	44 761.3	0.1%
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.	73 250.9	69 454.6	5.5%	195 189.4	186 281.4	4.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	107 590.3	103 818.3	3.6%	78 575.2	84 484.6	-7.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	5 737.4	5 753.5	-0.3%	23 113.2	22 206.0	4.1%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	6 042.7	5 879.2	2.8%	14 800.8	13 960.5	6.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	765.8	921.9	-16.9%	702.1	553.3	26.9%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4 691.1	6 461.4	-27.4%	905.0	1 007.1	-10.1%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	6.7	3.6	87.1%	75 701.0	69 897.3	8.3%
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AMERICA	9 795.6	9 007.4	8.8%	-11.3	11 784.9	11 218.1	5.1%	-4.4
ASIA	34 989.7	35 879.2	-2.5%	-41.0	54 698.1	47 445.5	15.3%	-8.1
EUROPE	32 868.1	31 476.3	4.4%	-19.1	33 013.2	35 655.9	-7.4%	-88.1
OCEANIA	1 077.6	1 785.0	-39.6%	-7.4	1 588.5	1 781.7	-10.8%	-1.9
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	5 353.8	7 978.3	-32.9%	-	377.1	408.8	-7.7%	-
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	226.1	330.3	-31.5%	0.4	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	101 453.5	104 261.5	-2.7%	-111.5	113 235.2	104 221.6	8.6%	-101.2

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	922.5	1 029.4	-10.4%	-0.2	1 436.5	1 529.8	-6.1%	-7.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	6 581.7	7 966.4	-17.4%	-0.7	1 581.4	1 734.3	-8.8%	0.6
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	122.1	147.6	-17.3%	0.1	938.9	682.1	37.6%	-0.0
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 457.8	3 291.6	5.0%	-0.5	2 764.3	2 946.5	-6.2%	-0.8
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	23 668.2	23 970.1	-1.3%	-17.3	25 498.9	14 521.5	75.6%	4.4
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 662.8	5 874.5	-3.6%	-8.8	11 298.0	11 953.5	-5.5%	1.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 716.8	1 776.7	-3.4%	-2.4	4 885.2	4 683.7	4.3%	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).	306.0	288.8	6.0%	-0.0	408.1	368.1	10.9%	0.1
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.	488.7	602.5	-18.9%	0.1	307.8	332.2	-7.3%	-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.	1 968.9	2 009.7	-2.0%	-86.9	2 963.9	2 949.6	0.5%	-0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 053.5	1 007.8	4.5%	-2.7	3 531.0	3 600.5	-1.9%	0.6
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.	95.8	80.4	19.2%	-0.0	1 330.3	1 602.6	-17.0%	0.2
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	426.1	414.2	2.9%	-0.3	1 325.9	1 292.8	2.6%	-1.7
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	19 423.3	18 769.2	3.5%	-0.3	1 765.9	1 975.9	-10.6%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	12 239.7	12 932.9	-5.4%	31.1	5 384.7	5 488.6	-1.9%	-0.4
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.	6 907.9	7 488.4	-7.8%	-2.6	24 154.4	23 110.7	4.5%	6.2
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	14 561.5	15 367.3	-5.2%	-20.8	9 165.2	10 001.6	-8.4%	-104.4
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XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	415.1	423.8	-2.1%	0.6	2 136.4	2 023.1	5.6%	-1.1
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	96.4	64.3	49.8%	0.0	91.0	88.7	2.6%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	768.7	195.3	293.6%	-	108.0	104.7	3.2%	0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	1.7	-86.2%	-	9 259.0	10 482.0	-11.7%	0.2
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III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 434.6	1 785.8	-19.7%	6 302.3	7 520.8	-16.2%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	27 220.8	24 568.4	10.8%	22 728.9	22 810.6	-0.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	195 680.8	194 784.9	0.5%	169 488.7	123 456.4	37.3%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	47 958.3	44 604.1	7.5%	92 485.1	81 841.0	13.0%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	16 495.9	13 086.4	26.1%	40 095.0	35 377.6	13.3%
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).	2 710.3	2 983.3	-9.2%	2 769.7	2 711.8	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.	4 184.5	3 951.6	5.9%	2 814.4	2 762.7	1.9%
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.	13 992.0	13 956.4	0.3%	24 974.9	11 115.0	124.7%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	8 148.1	7 186.6	13.4%	28 366.9	26 794.5	5.9%
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.	717.6	653.9	9.7%	10 213.6	9 877.4	3.4%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3 300.0	2 837.2	16.3%	10 653.3	9 347.0	14.0%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	154 950.6	137 385.8	12.8%	10 297.8	4 889.8	110.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	104 778.9	94 463.7	10.9%	43 672.3	44 086.9	-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.	58 900.4	55 738.0	5.7%	192 142.1	183 611.4	4.6%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	98 144.6	94 242.6	4.1%	77 875.6	84 125.8	-7.4%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	4 441.0	4 510.0	-1.5%	23 064.0	22 154.8	4.1%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3 507.6	3 343.0	4.9%	14 685.7	13 608.6	7.9%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	762.6	917.4	-16.9%	698.6	551.5	26.7%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4 638.6	6 407.4	-27.6%	876.2	969.6	-9.6%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	6.5	3.0	116.1%	75 701.0	69 897.3	8.3%
Total		810 939.7	763 468.9	6.2%	879 148.1	787 299.6	11.7%

Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement

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	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.
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	September 2018 / August 2018 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	September 2018	August 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	September 2018	August 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	12 241.1	12 497.2	-2.0%	-13.1	3 411.8	3 767.9	-9.5%	2.0
Total	12 241.1	12 497.2	-2.0%	-13.1	3 411.8	3 767.9	-9.5%	2.0

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		September 2018	August 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	September 2018	August 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	292.4	303.1	-3.5%	0.0	338.9	420.6	-19.4%	0.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	533.2	547.4	-2.6%	-0.0	51.2	74.6	-31.4%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	107.4	117.2	-8.4%	-	0.9	1.8	-48.5%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 252.6	1 380.1	-9.2%	-0.3	544.4	568.2	-4.2%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 992.1	2 134.5	-6.7%	-11.5	52.1	58.0	-10.3%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 042.6	1 062.9	-1.9%	-0.9	575.2	555.0	3.6%	-0.0
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	502.1	525.0	-4.4%	0.0	45.7	44.6	2.6%	-
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).	39.6	40.0	-0.9%	-	8.6	13.3	-35.3%	-
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.	158.5	158.4	0.0%	0.0	128.2	129.2	-0.8%	-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.	470.2	288.0	63.3%	-0.0	47.7	27.4	73.9%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	552.2	565.0	-2.3%	-0.0	472.4	504.5	-6.4%	-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.	182.1	184.1	-1.1%	-0.0	15.3	13.3	14.6%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	158.9	168.6	-5.7%	-0.3	10.0	11.3	-11.0%	-
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	1 053.5	870.6	21.0%	-0.0	442.6	715.9	-38.2%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	775.7	829.2	-6.5%	0.1	122.9	136.6	-10.1%	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.	1 714.7	1 765.5	-2.9%	-0.0	499.1	437.0	14.2%	-0.1
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	953.4	1 094.1	-12.9%	-0.1	34.9	30.3	15.1%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	144.4	137.8	4.8%	-0.0	6.9	4.9	41.0%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	310.8	319.7	-2.8%	-0.1	12.3	16.0	-23.1%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.4	0.3	59.2%	-	0.6	2.8	-78.6%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	4.3	5.3	-18.0%	-	1.8	2.3	-23.1%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.2	-100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		12 241.1	12 497.2	-2.0%	-13.1	3 411.8	3 767.9	-9.5%	2.0

Preliminary BELN 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 September 2018 / January to September 2017					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to September 2018	January to September 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2018	January to September 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	97 736.9	96 819.2	0.9%	29 854.3	28 102.6	6.2%
Total	97 736.9	96 819.2	0.9%	29 854.3	28 102.6	6.2%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to September 2018	January to September 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to September 2018	January to September 2017	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 646.6	2 766.5	-4.3%	3 610.4	3 397.9	6.3%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 742.6	4 896.1	-3.1%	376.1	299.2	25.7%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	998.7	904.0	10.5%	14.3	36.8	-61.3%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	10 590.3	10 155.7	4.3%	4 102.5	3 827.8	7.2%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	15 704.9	13 653.5	15.0%	556.3	564.2	-1.4%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	8 765.6	8 471.8	3.5%	4 774.4	5 309.2	-10.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	4 116.4	4 081.0	0.9%	362.4	320.7	13.0%
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).	366.0	354.8	3.1%	121.8	138.6	-12.1%
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.	1 360.7	1 374.0	-1.0%	1 103.6	1 048.6	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.	2 457.4	2 170.9	13.2%	197.0	198.2	-0.6%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4 733.0	4 782.6	-1.0%	4 266.6	4 113.5	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.	1 361.2	1 406.3	-3.2%	109.9	113.3	-3.0%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 331.2	1 275.8	4.3%	84.5	82.9	1.9%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	4 082.3	5 237.4	-22.1%	5 107.1	4 506.1	13.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	6 796.6	8 157.7	-16.7%	1 124.0	674.4	66.7%
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.	14 350.5	13 716.6	4.6%	3 047.3	2 670.0	14.1%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	9 445.7	9 575.7	-1.4%	699.5	358.8	95.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 296.4	1 243.5	4.3%	49.2	51.1	-3.7%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 535.1	2 536.2	0.0%	115.1	351.9	-67.3%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	3.3	4.5	-26.7%	3.5	1.9	89.6%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	52.4	54.1	-3.0%	28.8	37.5	-23.3%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	0.6	-64.6%	-	-	0.0%
Total		97 736.9	96 819.2	0.9%	29 854.3	28 102.6	6.2%