

SA Trade Statistics for August 2019 (including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2019 (Preliminary)	R 122 020 497 474	R 115 177 562 485	R 6 842 934 989
July 2019 (Revised)	R 112 561 338 455	R 116 286 306 116	R -3 724 967 661
R Increase/Decrease	R 9 459 159 019	R -1 108 743 631	
% Growth	8.4%	-1.0%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2019 (Preliminary)	R 847 932 798 818	R 848 781 720 857	R -848 922 039
January to August 2018 (Revised)	R 793 479 371 310	R 788 805 557 087	R 4 673 814 223
R Increase/Decrease	R 54 453 427 508	R 59 976 163 770	
% Growth	6.9%	7.6%	

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products increased by	R 497 million (6%)
Section 5:	Mineral products increased by	R 4 779 million (18%)
Section 14:	Precious metals & stones increased by	R 1 613 million (10%)
Section 16:	Machinery & electronics increased by	R 1 040 million (11%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments increased by	R 702 million (4%)

IMPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable products increased by	R 612 million (31%)
Section 5:	Mineral products decreased by	R 2 277 million (-12%)
Section 6:	Chemical products increased by	R 1 593 million (14%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & transport equipments decreased by	R 1 384 million (-11%)
Section 23:	Original equipment components decreased by	R 749 million (-6%)

International Trade (excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2019 (Preliminary)	R 107 206 520 605	R 111 347 269 919	R -4 140 749 314
July 2019 (Revised)	R 99 681 547 000	R 112 553 216 371	R -12 871 669 371
R Increase/Decrease	R 7 524 973 605	R -1 205 946 452	
% Growth	7.5%	-1.1%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2019 (Preliminary)	R 751 758 446 954	R 819 622 652 638	R -67 864 205 684
January to August 2018 (Revised)	R 708 120 745 611	R 762 377 899 036	R -54 257 153 425
R Increase/Decrease	R 43 637 701 343	R 57 244 753 602	
% Growth	6.2%	7.5%	

1. BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2019 (Preliminary)	R 14 813 976 869	R 3 830 292 566	R 10 983 684 303
July 2019 (Revised)	R 12 879 791 455	R 3 733 089 745	R 9 146 701 710
R Increase/Decrease	R 1 934 185 414	R 97 202 821	
% Growth	15.0%	2.6%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2019 (Preliminary)	R 96 174 351 864	R 29 159 068 219	R 67 015 283 645
January to August 2018 (Revised)	R 85 358 625 699	R 26 427 658 051	R 58 930 967 648
R Increase/Decrease	R 10 815 726 165	R 2 731 410 168	
% Growth	12.7%	10.3%	

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

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	August 2019	July 2019	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	August 2019	July 2019	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	33 240.1	30 413.9	9.3%	-171.2	9 969.1	12 038.4	-17.2%	466.2
AMERICA	10 346.1	8 723.7	18.6%	-11.6	12 661.9	12 181.2	3.9%	17.5
ASIA	35 814.1	33 187.0	7.9%	-168.0	50 861.8	52 876.2	-3.8%	-0.5
EUROPE	34 445.1	31 805.9	8.3%	-27.5	39 535.7	38 082.5	3.8%	-12.4
OCEANIA	1 087.1	1 073.7	1.2%	-0.9	1 845.3	816.8	125.9%	-5.8
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	6 310.1	6 412.2	-1.6%	-	303.7	291.2	4.3%	0.0
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	778.0	945.0	-17.7%	0.0	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	122 020.5	112 561.3	8.4%	-379.2	115 177.6	116 286.3	-1.0%	465.0

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 170.2	1 242.4	-5.8%	-0.1	1 763.3	1 833.5	-3.8%	0.6
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	8 940.0	8 443.0	5.9%	-6.5	2 562.7	1 951.1	31.3%	-0.4
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable	279.3	272.4	2.5%	-6.2	686.0	881.2	-22.2%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	5 036.1	4 711.1	6.9%	-5.8	3 724.7	3 444.5	8.1%	-0.2
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	31 362.7	26 583.3	18.0%	-318.4	16 145.6	18 422.5	-12.4%	463.1
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	7 040.5	7 325.9	-3.9%	-2.4	12 901.4	11 308.3	14.1%	4.3
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 248.3	2 278.4	-1.3%	-3.1	4 690.3	4 839.3	-3.1%	-1.4
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).	305.4	256.3	19.1%	-0.0	348.2	359.5	-3.1%	-0.2
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	523.1	647.9	-19.3%	-1.7	455.0	456.3	-0.3%	-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.	1 971.2	2 021.5	-2.5%	-5.9	3 481.6	3 263.0	6.7%	0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 657.3	1 217.3	36.1%	0.0	4 132.8	4 050.1	2.0%	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	281.2	225.8	24.6%	0.0	1 458.6	1 463.1	-0.3%	-1.0
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	571.6	542.8	5.3%	-0.2	1 458.9	1 320.5	10.5%	-0.6
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation	18 405.4	16 792.2	9.6%	0.1	1 406.2	1 183.5	18.8%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	11 537.2	11 178.6	3.2%	8.8	5 636.8	5 742.0	-1.8%	-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	10 414.7	9 375.1	11.1%	-10.3	27 300.5	26 948.1	1.3%	-3.2
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	18 413.0	17 711.1	4.0%	-28.0	10 904.0	12 287.6	-11.3%	1.7
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical	754.2	738.4	2.1%	-0.0	3 254.2	3 000.5	8.5%	1.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	725.9	679.1	6.9%	0.7	1 958.6	1 844.7	6.2%	1.6
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and	113.1	86.1	31.4%	0.0	46.3	55.6	-16.9%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	269.9	232.4	16.1%	-0.1	62.8	83.7	-25.0%	-0.9
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	0.1	68.8%	-	10 799.0	11 547.8	-6.5%	-
Total		122 020.5	112 561.3	8.4%	-379.2	115 177.6	116 286.3	-1.0%	465.0

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	January to August 2019	January to August 2018	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2019	January to August 2018	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	226 741.9	210 162.6	7.9%	97 296.8	95 101.9	2.3%
AMERICA	71 773.8	67 946.3	5.6%	85 170.6	75 048.7	13.5%
ASIA	268 093.5	251 581.8	6.6%	381 045.6	356 400.9	6.9%
EUROPE	225 825.0	196 797.9	14.7%	270 236.1	246 945.0	9.4%
OCEANIA	8 760.7	8 666.6	1.1%	12 065.7	12 938.5	-6.7%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	43 035.2	54 634.3	-21.2%	2 967.0	2 370.6	25.2%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	3 702.7	3 689.8	0.3%	-	-	0.0%
Total	847 932.8	793 479.4	6.9%	848 781.7	788 805.6	7.6%

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	9 683.5	9 934.2	-2.5%	13 543.8	13 983.9	-3.1%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	48 219.5	48 072.7	0.3%	15 730.3	15 819.8	-0.6%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable	2 113.2	2 203.3	-4.1%	5 878.8	5 375.7	9.4%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	35 761.8	33 140.9	7.9%	25 727.8	23 529.4	9.3%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	219 739.4	186 265.3	18.0%	146 288.2	144 463.9	1.3%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	53 107.9	49 995.1	6.2%	88 045.0	85 295.6	3.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	18 510.6	16 302.5	13.5%	35 569.3	35 517.7	0.1%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	2 306.0	2 730.5	-15.5%	2 426.7	2 473.1	-1.9%
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	5 158.8	4 904.6	5.2%	3 725.0	3 479.9	7.0%
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.	10 471.0	13 995.6	-25.2%	21 893.5	18 822.6	16.3%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	10 859.0	11 380.1	-4.6%	31 467.1	28 608.9	10.0%
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	1 872.9	1 800.9	4.0%	9 605.1	8 978.7	7.0%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	4 253.6	4 043.7	5.2%	10 073.6	9 446.8	6.6%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation	129 834.4	138 533.3	-6.3%	11 146.5	13 180.2	-15.4%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	96 160.3	98 670.9	-2.5%	43 247.0	39 225.2	10.3%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and	68 255.9	64 593.7	5.7%	190 930.4	170 566.6	11.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	118 106.6	91 971.9	28.4%	78 578.7	69 398.8	13.2%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts	5 498.2	5 029.0	9.3%	22 213.0	20 185.3	10.0%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	5 319.8	5 317.8	0.0%	13 454.2	12 624.4	6.6%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and	745.4	669.0	11.4%	372.6	611.1	-39.0%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 948.1	3 917.7	-50.3%	671.4	795.9	-15.6%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	6.5	6.5	0.1%	78 193.8	66 422.0	17.7%
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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	869.2	918.4	-5.4%	0.3	1 418.3	1 489.5	-4.8%	-
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	8 246.7	7 762.9	6.2%	-6.4	2 507.1	1 878.4	33.5%	-0.4
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	144.9	146.5	-1.1%	-6.2	682.0	877.0	-22.2%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 478.0	3 275.7	6.2%	-6.0	3 116.8	2 857.6	9.1%	-0.2
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	26 875.0	23 913.4	12.4%	-184.1	16 085.0	18 372.8	-12.5%	463.1
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 895.3	6 225.1	-5.3%	-2.3	12 189.2	10 627.7	14.7%	4.3
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 671.7	1 741.5	-4.0%	-3.1	4 638.6	4 781.4	-3.0%	-1.3
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).	257.8	209.9	22.8%	-0.0	336.8	351.0	-4.0%	-0.2
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.	343.9	481.1	-28.5%	-1.7	302.6	296.3	2.1%	-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.	1 720.2	1 771.7	-2.9%	-6.0	3 466.7	3 249.5	6.7%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 029.7	636.4	61.8%	0.0	3 517.3	3 436.7	2.3%	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.	94.7	70.9	33.4%	-	1 442.5	1 448.0	-0.4%	-1.0
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	391.8	388.9	0.7%	-0.2	1 448.2	1 312.1	10.4%	-0.5
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	18 393.9	16 385.4	12.3%	0.1	879.8	712.3	23.5%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 709.9	10 373.8	3.2%	8.8	5 492.2	5 604.7	-2.0%	-0.5
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.	8 584.4	7 632.5	12.5%	-10.2	26 894.4	26 511.0	1.4%	-1.5
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	17 175.2	16 510.7	4.0%	-28.0	10 838.1	12 242.2	-11.5%	1.7
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	582.2	577.1	0.9%	0.0	3 242.5	2 987.8	8.5%	1.0
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	366.6	347.4	5.5%	0.9	1 946.8	1 832.2	6.3%	1.6
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	112.7	85.8	31.4%	0.0	43.8	55.6	-21.2%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	262.6	226.3	16.0%	-0.1	59.3	81.8	-27.4%	-0.9
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	0.1	185.8%	-	10 799.0	11 547.8	-6.5%	-
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Total	751 758.4	708 120.7	6.2%	819 622.7	762 377.9	7.5%

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III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 189.4	1 312.0	-9.3%	5 855.2	5 362.4	9.2%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	24 927.4	23 811.5	4.7%	21 319.6	19 972.4	6.7%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	199 655.7	172 669.8	15.6%	145 808.6	143 960.0	1.3%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	44 787.5	42 273.4	5.9%	82 956.7	81 096.4	2.3%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	14 399.6	12 690.2	13.5%	35 121.4	35 201.0	-0.2%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	1 969.7	2 404.3	-18.1%	2 358.3	2 360.0	-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.	3 876.1	3 702.9	4.7%	2 598.8	2 505.8	3.7%
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.	8 494.4	12 008.5	-29.3%	21 770.4	18 673.1	16.6%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	6 424.3	7 199.6	-10.8%	27 314.1	24 818.6	10.1%
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.	698.0	621.8	12.2%	9 510.7	8 884.1	7.1%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3 024.7	2 872.9	5.3%	9 993.5	9 372.2	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.	127 663.5	135 504.4	-5.8%	6 762.5	8 531.8	-20.7%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	90 202.1	92 650.7	-2.6%	42 037.8	38 219.9	10.0%
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.	55 117.1	51 959.4	6.1%	187 890.1	168 018.3	11.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	109 013.1	83 482.7	30.6%	77 627.7	68 734.3	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.	4 316.3	3 877.0	11.3%	22 144.3	20 143.1	9.9%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 958.6	3 093.8	-4.4%	13 361.6	12 521.6	6.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	741.6	666.2	11.3%	369.8	608.1	-39.2%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	1 856.0	3 869.6	-52.0%	651.3	768.9	-15.3%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	5.8	6.3	-7.4%	78 193.8	66 422.0	17.7%
Total		751 758.4	708 120.7	6.2%	819 622.7	762 377.9	7.5%

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	August 2019 / July 2019 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	August 2019	July 2019	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	August 2019	July 2019	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	14 814.0	12 879.8	15.0%	-134.9	3 830.3	3 733.1	2.6%	-0.9
Total	14 814.0	12 879.8	15.0%	-134.9	3 830.3	3 733.1	2.6%	-0.9

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		August 2019	July 2019	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	August 2019	July 2019	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	301.0	324.0	-7.1%	-0.4	345.0	344.0	0.3%	0.6
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	693.4	680.0	2.0%	-0.0	55.7	72.7	-23.4%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	134.4	125.9	6.7%	-	4.0	4.1	-4.4%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 558.1	1 435.4	8.6%	0.1	607.8	586.9	3.6%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	4 487.7	2 669.9	68.1%	-134.3	60.6	49.7	21.8%	-
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 145.1	1 100.8	4.0%	-0.1	712.2	680.6	4.6%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	576.6	536.9	7.4%	-0.0	51.7	57.9	-10.7%	-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).	47.5	46.4	2.5%	-0.0	11.4	8.5	33.8%	-
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.	179.2	166.8	7.4%	0.0	152.4	160.0	-4.7%	-
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.	251.0	249.8	0.5%	0.0	14.9	13.6	10.2%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	627.6	580.9	8.0%	-0.0	615.5	613.4	0.3%	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.	186.6	154.9	20.5%	0.0	16.1	15.1	6.2%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	179.8	153.9	16.8%	0.0	10.8	8.4	28.6%	-0.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	11.5	406.8	-97.2%	-	526.4	471.2	11.7%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	827.2	804.8	2.8%	-0.0	144.6	137.3	5.3%	0.3
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	1 830.3	1 742.6	5.0%	-0.1	406.0	437.1	-7.1%	-1.7
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 237.9	1 200.4	3.1%	-0.0	65.8	45.3	45.2%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	172.0	161.3	6.6%	-0.0	11.7	12.7	-7.5%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	359.3	331.8	8.3%	-0.2	11.8	12.5	-5.6%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.4	0.3	34.5%	-	2.4	0.0	12044.3%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	7.3	6.1	20.2%	-0.0	3.5	2.0	76.2%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.1	-100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		14 814.0	12 879.8	15.0%	-134.9	3 830.3	3 733.1	2.6%	-0.9

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

World Zone	January to August 2019 / January to August 2018					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to August 2019	January to August 2018	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2019	January to August 2018	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	96 174.4	85 358.6	12.7%	29 159.1	26 427.7	10.3%
Total	96 174.4	85 358.6	12.7%	29 159.1	26 427.7	10.3%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to August 2019	January to August 2018	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to August 2019	January to August 2018	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 256.4	2 353.8	-4.1%	2 867.2	3 275.2	-12.5%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	5 209.1	4 209.3	23.8%	430.4	324.7	32.5%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	923.8	891.3	3.6%	23.7	13.3	77.7%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	10 834.4	9 329.4	16.1%	4 408.2	3 557.0	23.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	20 083.7	13 595.5	47.7%	479.6	503.8	-4.8%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	8 320.4	7 721.7	7.8%	5 088.3	4 199.2	21.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	4 111.0	3 612.3	13.8%	447.9	316.7	41.4%
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).	336.3	326.2	3.1%	68.4	113.1	-39.5%
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.	1 282.7	1 201.7	6.7%	1 126.2	974.1	15.6%
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.	1 976.6	1 987.2	-0.5%	123.1	149.4	-17.6%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4 434.7	4 180.5	6.1%	4 153.0	3 790.3	9.6%
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.	1 174.9	1 179.1	-0.4%	94.4	94.6	-0.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 228.9	1 170.9	5.0%	80.1	74.7	7.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	2 171.0	3 028.8	-28.3%	4 384.0	4 648.4	-5.7%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	5 958.3	6 020.3	-1.0%	1 209.2	1 005.3	20.3%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	13 138.8	12 634.3	4.0%	3 040.3	2 548.3	19.3%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	9 093.6	8 489.1	7.1%	951.0	664.5	43.1%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 181.9	1 152.0	2.6%	68.7	42.3	62.4%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 361.2	2 224.0	6.2%	92.6	102.8	-9.9%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	3.8	2.8	35.0%	2.8	2.9	-3.7%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	92.1	48.1	91.5%	20.1	27.0	-25.4%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.7	0.2	229.7%	-	-	0.0%
Total		96 174.4	85 358.6	12.7%	29 159.1	26 427.7	10.3%