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Preface

International merchandise trade statistics (IMTS) plays a pivotal role in many economies, Botswana included. It is an account of all transactions of merchandise between the compiling country and the rest of the world. The account measures the value and quantity of goods which add to or subtract from the stock of material resources of a country by entering (imports) or leaving (exports) its economic territory. As a result, international merchandise trade statistics remains one of the major contributing indicators of the performance of a country's economy and its competitiveness on the world market.

The monthly merchandise trade statistics are used extensively in the compilation of the country's national accounts and balance of payments. Furthermore, these statistics are used by government institutions when preparing for trade negotiations. Other stakeholders use IMTS for various purposes like academic and market research.

Changes in data for the corresponding months when comparing the current digest and the previous ones may be attributed to data from transactions which had deferred customs duty assessments. The data for transactions which had deferred customs duty assessments would only be available at a later stage after customs duty assessments have been completed.

International merchandise trade statistics uses the month during which the goods crossed the border as a reference period. The month during which the transaction is lodged with customs is used as a proxy for the month during which the goods crossed the border. As a result, data for transactions with late customs duty assessments will update data for the associated months during which they were first lodged with customs.

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Executive Summary

This International Merchandise Trade Statistics (**IMTS**) monthly report presents statistics on Botswana's total imports and exports of goods during November 2019.

In November 2019, the value of Botswana's total imports amounted to P7, 233.3 million, resulting in an increase of 28.5 percent compared to the revised October 2019 value of P 5, 628.4 million. Total exports for the current month were valued at P4, 549.6 million, registering an increase of 64.2 percent from the revised October 2019 value of P2, 771.2 million.

During November 2019, Diamonds was the most imported commodity, followed by Vehicles & Transport Equipment. Diamonds and Vehicles & Transport Equipment contributed 30.7 percent and 13.9 percent respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment accounted for 12.3 percent, while Food, Beverages & Tobacco contributed 12.2 percent to total imports during the month under review.

The **SACU** region supplied 68.2 percent of total imports during the month under review. Most of the imports from **SACU** came from South Africa, accounting for 54.7 percent, followed by Namibia with 12.9 percent. Imports from the European Union (**EU**) and Asia regions accounted for 15.0 percent and 6.7 percent, respectively. Imports from Switzerland contributed 7.5 percent during November 2019.

During November 2019, Botswana exported Diamonds accounting for 90.8 percent of total exports. Machinery & Transport Equipment followed with 3.5 percent. India, Belgium and United Arab Emirates (**UAE**) were the major destinations for Botswana exports. India and Belgium received 28.2 percent and 23.9 percent respectively while the United Arab Emirates got 23.4 percent of total exports during the month under review.

1.0 Total Trade

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance. Discussions in this monthly digest are based on November 2019, which is also referred to as the current month or period under review.

1.1 Data Revisions

Updates to the database are made on a monthly basis when monthly data files are uploaded into the system with additional information from previous months. Revisions are negligible in some cases while significant in others. The current digest carries revisions for August, September and October 2019 as presented in **Table A**. This table presents revised data comparing figures as at October 2019 Digest and the current situation.

Revisions for the three months in **Table A** were mostly significant for October 2019, especially on the total exports side.

October 2019 Imports have been revised from P5, 587.0 million to P 5, 628.4 million, giving a rise of 0.7 percent (P41.4 million) while Total Exports revision shows increase of 28.2 percent (P609.3 million) from P2, 161.9 million to P2, 771.2 million. Revisions for the other two months can be observed in **Table A**.

Table A: Data Revisions –August, September and October 2019 (Million Pula)

Period	As at October 2019 Digest			As at November 2019 Digest			Difference			Difference as %		
	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance
August	5,444.1	3,898.7	(1,545.3)	5,444.1	3,900.8	(1,543.2)	0.0	2.1	2.1	0.0	0.1	(0.1)
September	5,383.4	4,260.2	(1,123.2)	5,383.4	4,260.3	(1,123.1)	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	(0.0)
October	5,587.0	2,161.9	(3,425.1)	5,628.4	2,771.2	(2,857.2)	41.4	609.3	567.9	0.7	28.2	(16.6)

() Denotes negative numbers

1.2 Imports

Imports, which are valued **Cost, Insurance & Freight (CIF)**, consist of the value of the goods, costs of transport, and the cost of insurance incurred to deliver such goods to the Customs territory of the importing country, but excludes customs or any other duties paid on arrival. During November 2019, total imports into Botswana amounted to P7, 233.3 million recording a surge of 28.5 percent (P1, 604.9 million) over the revised October 2019 value of P5, 628.4 million. The surge is mainly attributed to Diamonds imports, having increased by 58.1 percent (P816.8 million), from the revised October 2019 figure of P1, 405.0 million to P2, 221.9 million during November 2019. Another noticeable surge was recorded for Vehicles & Transport Equipment, at over 100 percent (P548.9 million) increase from P460.0 million in October 2019 to P1, 008.9 million during the period under review. Imports of Machinery & Electrical Equipment went up by 22.2 percent (P161.1 million) from P727.0 million in October 2019 to P888.1 million in November of the same year.

When compared with November 2018, imports value for November 2019 show a drop of 3.5 percent (P266.0 million) from P7, 499.3 million recorded in November 2018 to P7, 233.3 million registered in November 2019. This was mainly attributed to the fall in imports value of Diamonds, by 19.7 percent (P544.2 million) from P2, 766.1 million during November 2018 to P2, 221.9 million in November 2019. Fuel also contributed to the decrease, falling by 23.7 percent (P200.0 million) from P844.9 million during November 2018 to P644.9 million during the current month. Imports of Vehicles & Transport Equipment registered an increase of 88.2 percent (P473.7 million) from P535.1 million in November 2018 to P1, 008.9 million currently, as a result cushioning the overall decrease in total imports.

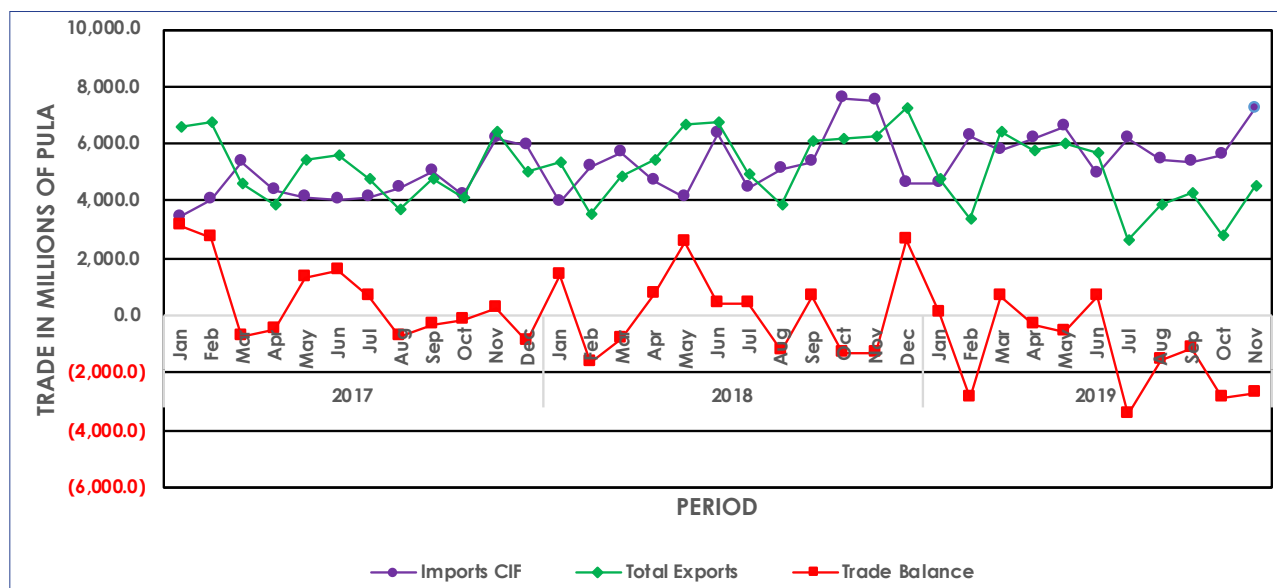
1.3 Total Exports

Total exports value for November 2019 shows an increase of 64.2 percent (P1, 604.9 million) from the revised October 2019 value of P2, 771.2 million to P4, 549.6 recorded during the current month. The increase is mainly attributed to the 79.9 percent (P1, 834.8 million) rise in Diamonds exports during November 2019 as shown in **Table 2.2**. Comparison of total exports values for November 2019 and the same month in 2018 shows a decrease of 27.0 percent (P1, 683.3 million) from P6, 232.9 million recorded in November 2018 to P4, 549.6 million currently. The decline in total exports was mainly influenced by the decrease in Diamonds exports, having declined by 26.2 percent (P1, 464.1 million) from P5, 596.6 million recorded in November 2018 to P4, 132.5 million registered in November 2019. Salt & Soda Ash also showed a decrease of 58.9 percent (P58.1 million from P98.7 million in November 2018 to P40.6 million recorded during the current month).

1.4 Trade Balance

Botswana registered a trade deficit of P2, 683.7 million during November 2019.

Chart 1.1 Total Merchandise Trade - January 2017 to November 2019 (Million Pula)



2.0 Trade By Principal Commodity Groups

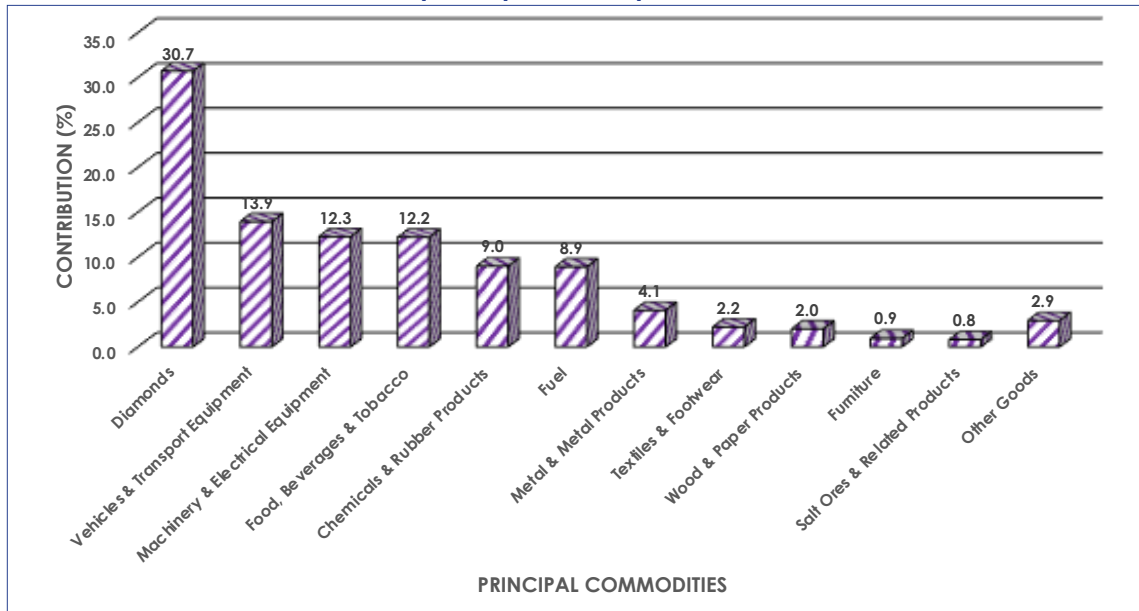
Principal commodity groups refer to groups of related commodities put together to form major groups. Commodities forming a group may be of related chapters or commodities, for example, 'Metals & Metal Products' combines metals and their associated products; 'Vehicles & Transport Equipment' combines vehicles and other equipment used for transport purposes.

In an instance where it becomes a challenge to come up with further groups of related chapters or commodities, the commodities are grouped together under the general category called 'Other'. This occurs when commodity group's contribution to the total remain minimal.

2.1 Principal Imports

Botswana received total imports amounting to P7, 233.3 million during November 2019. Diamonds contributed the most to the total imports, at 30.7 percent (P2, 221.9 million) followed by Vehicles & Transport Equipment with 13.9 percent (P1, 008.9 million). Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Food, Beverages & Tobacco contributed 12.3 percent (P888.1 million) and 12.2 percent (P882.9 million) respectively. The other commodities which made some significant contributions are Chemicals & Rubber Products and Fuel with contributions of 9.0 percent (P650.2 million) and 8.9 percent (P644.9 million) respectively to total imports during the month under review. Contributions made by other commodities are shown in **Table 2.1 (refer to 5.0 Annexure)** and on **Chart 2.1**

Chart 2.1: Principal Imports Composition – November 2019

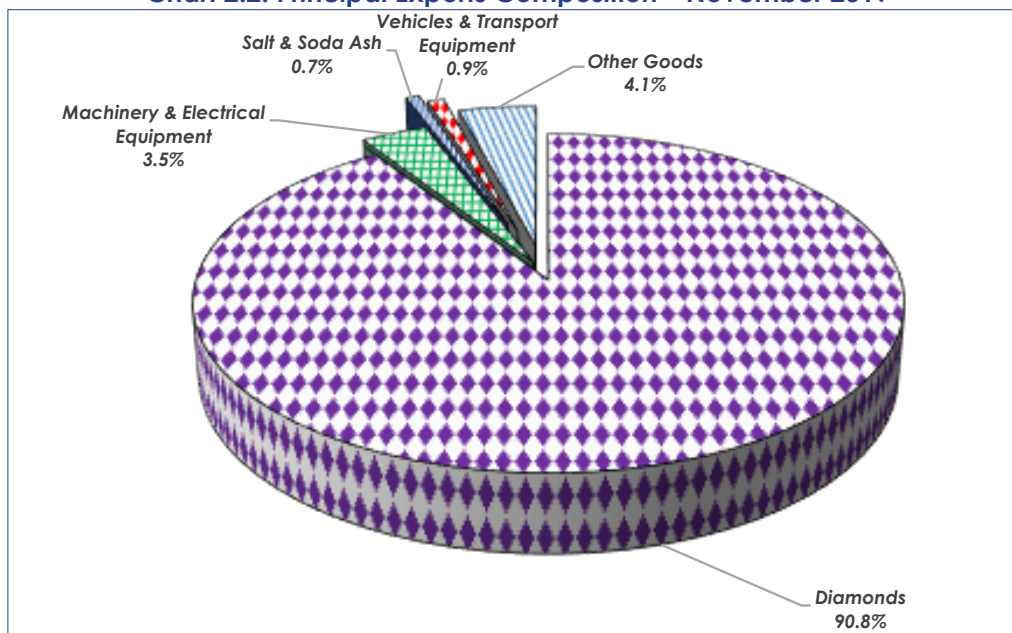


Note: Other Goods include all other goods not specified in Table 2.1

2.2 Principal Exports

During November 2019, total exports from Botswana were valued at P4, 549.6 million, with 90.8 percent (P4, 132.5 million) attributed to Diamonds. Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 3.5 percent (P157.2 million) followed by Vehicles & Transport Equipment with 0.9 percent (P40.6 million). Salt & Soda Ash exports contributed 0.7 percent at value of P33.4 million. Contributions made by other commodities are shown in **Table 2.2** and on **Chart 2.2**.

Chart 2.2: Principal Exports Composition – November 2019



Note: Other Goods include all other goods not specified in Table 2.2

3.0 Direction Of Trade

Direction of trade presents **IMTS** by countries and regions that traded with Botswana during a particular period. Thus direction of trade is presented by last known destination for exports and country of origin for imports. Major trading partners are considered individually, while smaller trading partners are grouped together under a general category. Data by major trading partner countries, regions and principal commodity groups for imports and exports, during November 2019 appear in **Table 3.1A** and **Table 3.2A**, respectively. **Table 3.1B** (imports) and **Table 3.2B** (exports) show percentage distributions for major sources and destinations, respectively, by principal commodity groups during the same month.

3.1 Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

In November 2019, Southern African Customs Union (**SACU**) supplied Botswana with imports valued at P 4, 931.7 million, 68.2 percent of total imports into the country during that month. The top most imported commodity group from the SACU region was Diamonds, with a contribution of 25.0 percent (P1, 235.1 million), followed by Food, Beverages & Tobacco with 17.0 percent (P836.1 million) of total imports from the region (**Table 3.1A** and **Table 3.1B**). Fuel, Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products made contributions of 12.3 percent (P605.9 million), 11.3 percent (P555.8 million) and 10.3 percent (P509.4 million) respectively, to the total imports from **SACU** during November 2019.

South Africa was the largest source of imports within the **SACU** region, with a contribution of 54.7 percent (P3, 954.5 million) to total imports during the month under review. Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel were the top most imported commodities from South Africa, with contributions of 20.7 percent (P817.9 million) and 14.9 percent (P587.6 million) respectively to total imports from that country.

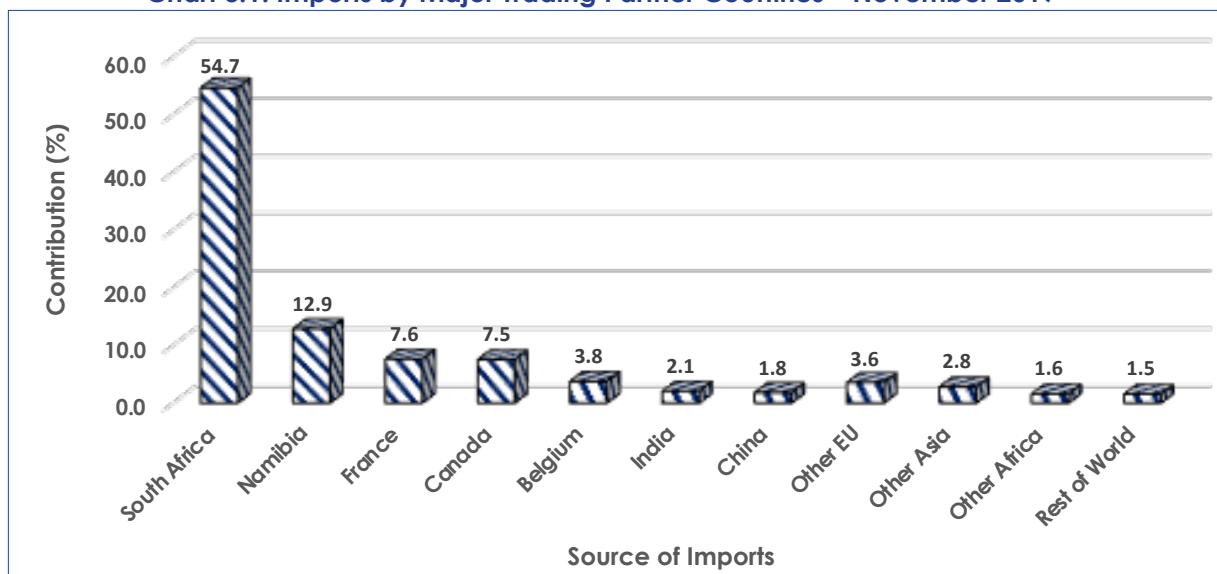
The European Union (**EU**) supplied imports valued at P1, 084.7 million, accounting for 15.0 percent of total imports during November 2019. The main commodities imported from EU were Vehicles & Transport Equipment and Diamonds, having contributed 51.7 percent (P561.1 million) and 32.3 percent (P350.1 million) respectively to total imports during November 2019.

France and Belgium were the main sources of imports from the **EU**, having contributed 7.6 percent (P553.1 million) and 3.8 percent (P273.0 million) in that order, to the total imports during the month under review. The United Kingdom provided 1.5 percent (P109.4 million) of imports during the current month.

Asia supplied Botswana with imports valued at P487.6 million, representing 6.7 percent of total imports during the month under review. Top imports commodities from Asia during November 2019 were Machinery & Electrical Equipment, at 36.3 percent (P177.0 million); Chemicals & Rubber Products, 16.8 percent (P82.0 million); Vehicles & Transport Equipment, 13.0 percent (P63.3 million) and Diamonds, 10.6 percent (P51.8 million) of total imports from the region. India, China and Hong Kong were the main sources of imports from Asia, having supplied 2.1 percent (P151.7 million), 1.8 percent (P133.1 million) and 1.3 percent (P91.8 million) respectively, of total imports during the month under review.

During November 2019, 7.5 percent (P545.3 million) of total imports were sourced from Switzerland. Most of the imports from Switzerland were Diamonds at 99.6 percent (P542.9 million) of total imports from that country. Other sources of imports can be observed in tables **3.1A** and **3.1B**.

Chart 3.1: Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries – November 2019



3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Asia was Botswana's major exports destination during the period under review. The regional block received 63.1 percent (P2, 872.3 million) of total exports. India and the United Arab Emirates (**UAE**) were the main destinations within the region, having received 28.2 percent (P1, 285.0 million) and 23.4 percent (P1, 064.7 million) respectively of total exports during the month under review. Israel and Hong Kong received 6.6 percent (P301.2 million) and 2.9 percent (P132.0 million) of the monthly total in that order. The most exported commodity group to Asia was Diamonds at almost 100.0 percent (P2, 871.8 million) of total exports to the region, as seen in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

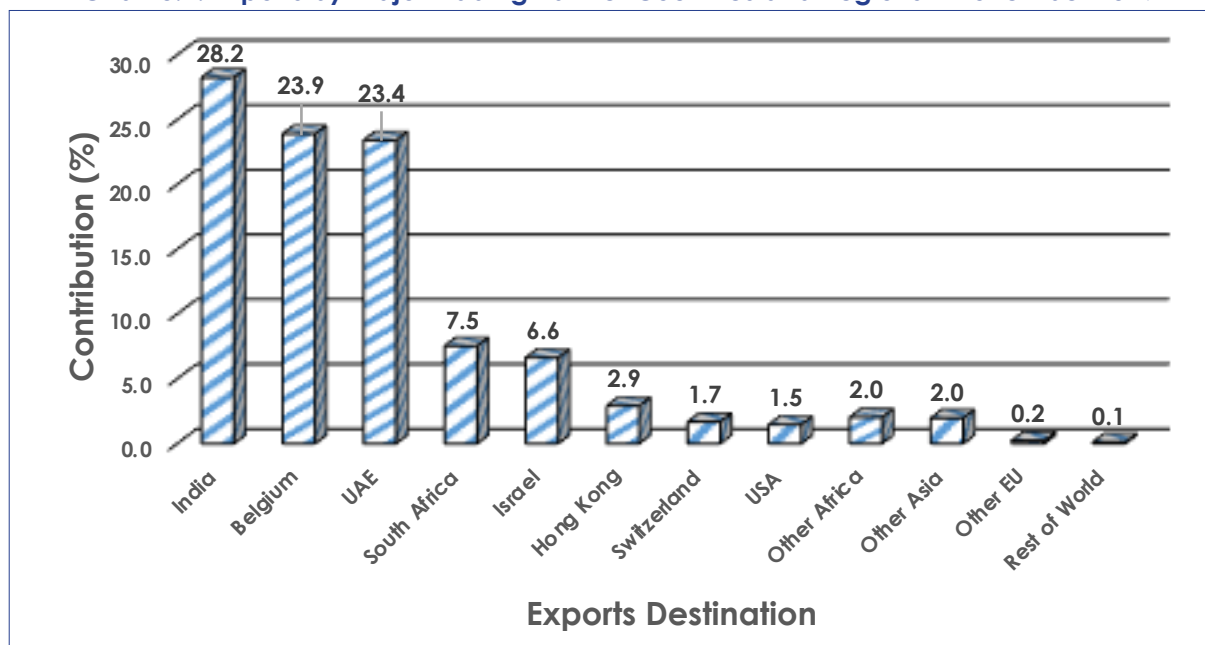
Exports destined to the **EU** region amounted to P1, 097.5 million, accounting for 24.1 percent of total exports. Belgium received most of exports destined for **EU**, acquiring 23.9 percent (P1, 087.2 million) of total exports during the reporting period.

During the current period, the **SACU** region received exports valued at P373.3 million, representing 8.2 percent of total exports. South Africa received most of exports going to **SACU**, P342.4 million, accounting for 7.5 percent of total exports during the period under review. Machinery & Electrical Equipment group was the main commodity group exported to the **SACU** region, at 36.7 percent (P137.0 million) of all goods destined to the customs union. Diamonds contributed 15.6 percent (P58.2 million) to total exports destined to **SACU** region during the period under consideration.

Switzerland and United States of America (**USA**) received 1.7 percent (P76.4 million) and 1.5 percent (P66.1 million) respectively, of total exports during November 2019. Exports to Switzerland consisted of two commodities only, Diamonds at 62.0 percent (P47.3 million) and Gold 38.0 percent (P29.1 million). Diamonds were the main exports to the **USA** at 99.2 percent (P65.6 million) of total exports to that country during the month under review.

Other destinations for exports can be observed in **Table 3.2 A** and **Table 3.2 B**.

Chart 3.2: Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions – November 2019



4.0 Imports and Exports by Mode of Transport

In compilation of international merchandise trade statistics, mode of transport refers to the method of transport with which goods are presumed to leave or arrive in the statistical territory of the country. The mode of transport that are predominantly used in Botswana for international merchandise trade are Air, Road and Rail. **Table B** presents statistics relating to mode of transport while **Chart 4.0** gives the graphical illustration.

Imports amounting to P3, 748.2 million, representing 51.8 percent of total imports reached the country by Road during November 2019. Air and Rail transport accounted for 31.1 percent (P2, 247.2 million) and 17.1 percent (P1, 236.4 million) respectively.

During the period under review, 92.1 percent (P4, 192.4 million) of total exports left the country by Air. Road transport accounted for 7.5 percent (P341.2 million) of total exports during the month under review.

Table B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – November 2019 (Million Pula)

Flow Type	Import		Total Exports	
Mode of Transport	Value	%	Value	%
Rail Transport	1,236.4	17.1	15.2	0.3
Road Transport	3,748.2	51.8	341.2	7.5
Air Transport	2,247.2	31.1	4,192.4	92.1
Other Modes	1.6	0.0	0.8	0.0
Total	7,233.3	100.0	4,549.6	100.0

Chart 4.0: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – November 2019

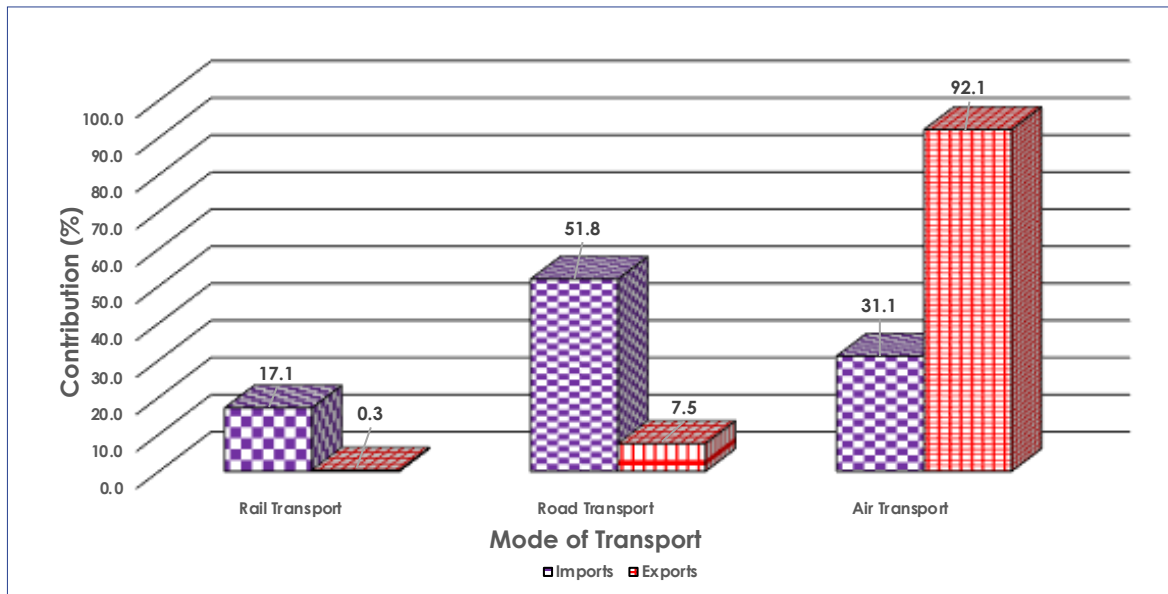


Table 1.0: Total Merchandise Trade – January 2017 to November 2019 (Million Pula)

Period \ Indicators	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan	3,459.5	3,296.4	161.7	1.4	6,388.4	202.8	6,591.2	3,131.7
Feb	4,042.7	3,869.1	172.6	1.0	6,751.8	11.2	6,763.0	2,720.3
Mar	5,330.1	5,106.6	220.9	2.6	4,511.7	117.4	4,629.1	(701.1)
Q1	12,832.4	12,272.0	555.3	5.1	17,651.9	331.3	17,983.3	5,150.9
Apr	4,391.9	4,237.9	152.7	1.3	3,891.6	0.1	3,891.6	(500.3)
May	4,086.2	3,923.6	161.3	1.3	5,410.5	0.5	5,411.0	1,324.9
Jun	4,027.4	3,870.1	156.2	1.1	5,629.4	0.2	5,629.6	1,602.2
Q2	12,505.4	12,031.5	470.2	3.7	14,931.5	0.7	14,932.2	2,426.8
Jul	4,083.9	3,910.9	171.9	1.1	4,751.8	0.4	4,752.2	668.3
Aug	4,418.5	4,240.2	177.3	1.0	3,701.6	1.9	3,703.4	(715.1)
Sep	5,032.5	4,836.0	195.6	1.0	4,752.7	1.8	4,754.5	(278.0)
Q3	13,534.9	12,987.1	544.8	3.0	13,206.0	4.0	13,210.1	(324.9)
Oct	4,227.1	4,018.4	207.1	1.6	4,103.9	5.1	4,109.1	(118.1)
Nov	6,155.5	5,925.9	228.6	1.0	6,386.3	4.7	6,391.0	235.5
Dec	5,961.6	5,748.1	212.0	1.5	5,044.6	3.2	5,047.8	(913.9)
Q4	16,344.3	15,692.4	647.8	4.1	15,534.9	13.0	15,547.8	(796.4)
Total _2017	55,217.0	52,983.0	2,218.1	15.9	61,324.3	349.1	61,673.4	6,456.4
Jan	3,939.8	3,755.5	183.4	0.9	5,363.8	0.1	5,363.9	1,424.1
Feb	5,151.1	4,957.2	192.8	1.2	3,533.5	1.3	3,534.8	(1,616.2)
Mar	5,673.0	5,465.0	206.9	1.2	4,893.5	2.9	4,896.4	(776.6)
Q1	14,763.9	14,177.6	583.0	3.3	13,790.8	4.3	13,795.1	(968.8)
Apr	4,674.9	4,493.1	180.9	1.0	5,407.2	1.6	5,408.8	733.9
May	4,143.5	3,937.2	205.3	1.0	6,663.5	8.2	6,671.7	2,528.2
Jun	6,347.8	6,146.8	200.2	0.8	6,788.8	0.0	6,788.9	441.1
Q2	15,166.2	14,577.1	586.3	2.8	18,859.5	9.8	18,869.3	3,703.2
Jul	4,463.5	4,271.6	190.9	1.0	4,910.4	1.5	4,911.9	448.3
Aug	5,087.4	4,861.7	224.6	1.0	3,863.8	0.2	3,863.9	(1,223.5)
Sep	5,392.1	5,169.9	220.7	1.6	6,060.8	0.5	6,061.2	669.1
Q3	14,943.0	14,303.2	636.2	3.6	14,834.9	2.1	14,837.0	(106.0)
Oct	7,541.5	7,295.0	245.1	1.4	6,213.0	2.3	6,215.3	(1,326.2)
Nov	7,499.3	7,238.4	258.7	2.2	6,232.1	0.7	6,232.9	(1,266.4)
Dec	4,609.5	4,378.0	230.4	1.1	7,221.2	0.0	7,221.3	2,611.8
Q4	19,650.3	18,911.4	734.2	4.7	19,666.4	3.0	19,669.4	19.1
Total _2018	64,523.4	61,969.2	2,539.8	14.5	67,151.6	19.3	67,170.9	2,647.5
Jan	4,656.7	4,432.3	223.1	1.3	4,787.4	0.0	4,787.4	130.6
Feb	6,281.7	6,076.1	204.4	1.2	3,414.1	4.1	3,418.1	(2,863.5)
Mar	5,794.1	5,578.2	215.0	0.9	6,463.5	0.1	6,463.5	669.4
Q4	16,732.5	16,086.6	642.5	3.5	14,664.9	4.1	14,669.0	(2,063.5)
Apr	6,146.0	5,934.8	209.2	2.0	5,790.7	5.2	5,795.8	(350.2)
May	6,588.0	6,359.0	227.9	1.0	6,041.1	5.6	6,046.6	(541.3)
Jun	4,944.9	4,701.5	242.5	0.9	5,643.3	9.9	5,653.2	708.3
Q2	17,678.9	16,995.3	679.6	4.0	17,475.0	20.7	17,495.7	(183.2)
Jul	6,139.2	5,892.1	245.6	1.5	2,659.6	0.4	2,660.1	(3,479.1)
Aug	5,444.1	5,200.4	241.7	1.9	3,900.6	0.2	3,900.8	(1,543.2)
Sep	5,383.4	5,152.6	229.8	1.0	4,258.6	1.7	4,260.3	(1,123.1)
Q3	16,966.6	16,245.1	717.1	4.4	10,818.9	2.3	10,821.2	(6,145.4)
Oct	5,628.4	5,395.6	231.7	1.1	2,771.2	0.0	2,771.2	(2,857.2)
Nov	7,233.3	6,964.1	268.1	1.1	4,549.5	0.1	4,549.6	(2,683.7)

Table 2.2: Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2017 to November 2019 (Million Pula)

Period \ Indicators	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan	1.1	5,924.3	30.1	2.6	8.6	209.9	31.8	13.9	79.5	12.5	225.5	51.2	6,591.2
Feb	1.1	6,348.5	7.8	2.8	17.1	181.6	17.8	17.4	64.8	17.8	34.1	52.2	6,763.0
Mar	0.2	4,256.6	34.1	4.5	10.4	136.8	34.3	21.6	35.9	12.3	25.2	57.1	4,629.1
Q1	2.4	16,529.4	72.0	9.9	36.1	528.4	84.0	53.0	180.2	42.6	284.8	160.4	17,983.3
Apr	3.4	3,556.1	28.3	2.2	14.1	95.8	45.0	9.4	41.2	14.4	25.8	56.1	3,891.6
May	6.5	4,965.7	29.6	3.9	9.1	119.5	61.1	19.4	30.0	13.1	87.6	65.5	5,411.0
Jun	5.1	5,160.8	28.3	3.8	12.8	192.8	88.6	26.6	32.5	13.0	14.3	51.0	5,629.6
Q2	15.0	13,682.6	86.1	9.9	35.9	408.0	194.8	55.3	103.7	40.5	127.6	172.7	14,932.2
Jul	9.2	4,251.1	45.3	4.0	15.9	134.3	105.8	27.4	64.7	14.6	22.9	57.0	4,752.2
Aug	1.6	3,246.3	36.4	3.3	11.7	119.9	104.0	15.5	56.9	13.7	32.9	61.1	3,703.4
Sep	3.5	4,224.2	39.1	1.7	14.5	138.8	121.1	20.4	78.8	17.7	21.0	73.7	4,754.5
Q3	14.3	11,721.5	120.8	9.0	42.1	393.0	330.9	63.4	200.4	46.0	76.8	191.9	13,210.1
Oct	4.6	3,607.5	16.0	3.0	15.0	182.0	91.7	20.4	47.6	17.9	27.4	76.1	4,109.1
Nov	3.2	5,747.1	41.1	3.0	29.1	226.1	127.6	24.6	52.0	18.1	21.4	97.7	6,391.0
Dec	1.5	4,615.8	36.1	2.8	10.5	113.5	58.5	13.7	58.2	17.1	39.6	80.4	5,047.8
Q4	9.2	13,970.4	93.2	8.8	54.5	521.5	277.8	58.7	157.8	53.1	88.3	254.3	15,547.8
Total_2017	40.9	55,904.0	372.2	37.7	168.6	1,850.9	887.5	230.3	642.1	182.2	577.7	779.3	61,673.4
Jan	1.5	4,959.7	17.2	2.2	13.1	114.5	54.9	22.6	67.1	15.7	29.0	66.4	5,363.9
Feb	3.8	2,993.2	29.7	2.8	14.8	177.5	88.0	17.3	65.7	17.2	53.9	71.0	3,534.8
Mar	0.8	4,391.8	37.9	3.2	21.0	151.5	60.8	22.7	57.4	21.5	38.1	89.7	4,896.4
Q1	6.1	12,344.7	84.8	8.3	48.9	443.4	203.7	62.5	190.1	54.4	121.0	227.1	13,795.1
Apr	0.3	4,916.1	49.6	2.9	13.3	127.5	60.4	20.7	55.0	18.6	50.0	94.4	5,408.8
May	4.3	6,059.7	42.1	2.2	13.1	187.8	75.7	24.9	63.9	24.6	43.1	130.4	6,671.7
Jun	14.8	6,277.5	41.8	2.3	12.8	114.4	141.2	20.8	33.9	18.2	34.1	77.1	6,788.9
Q2	19.3	17,253.3	133.5	7.5	39.1	429.6	277.4	66.4	152.7	61.4	127.1	301.9	18,869.3
Jul	12.0	4,437.4	42.4	1.8	10.5	137.9	75.1	11.9	62.5	16.1	25.3	79.1	4,911.9
Aug	7.3	3,256.0	43.9	1.6	12.7	185.1	120.2	23.9	64.4	14.8	28.7	105.2	3,863.9
Sep	16.0	5,297.9	28.2	0.8	9.1	231.7	79.4	22.1	240.5	19.4	33.8	82.2	6,061.2
Q3	35.3	12,991.4	114.4	4.2	32.4	554.7	274.7	57.9	367.4	50.3	87.8	266.6	14,837.0
Oct	8.0	5,477.8	37.0	1.5	15.3	195.0	62.1	33.0	64.5	23.4	143.4	154.3	6,215.3
Nov	0.8	5,596.6	44.0	0.6	12.2	194.7	66.4	18.1	58.5	26.0	98.7	116.3	6,232.9
Dec	1.8	6,747.4	37.6	0.5	8.9	120.2	86.0	8.7	51.8	18.3	35.2	104.8	7,221.3
Q4	10.6	17,821.7	118.6	2.5	36.4	509.9	214.5	59.8	174.8	67.8	277.4	375.3	19,669.4
Total_2018	71.4	60,411.1	451.3	22.5	156.8	1,937.7	970.4	246.7	885.1	233.8	613.2	1,171.0	67,170.9
Jan	0.1	4,414.8	32.6	0.1	9.6	66.1	32.3	8.6	53.4	13.6	24.1	132.1	4,787.4
Feb	0.2	3,052.5	32.2	0.2	12.7	109.0	39.3	9.8	44.6	14.2	24.0	79.3	3,418.1
Mar	0.3	6,052.0	28.5	0.2	12.1	152.0	21.4	13.8	54.5	13.1	44.0	71.8	6,463.5
Q4	0.6	13,519.3	93.3	0.5	34.4	327.1	93.0	32.2	152.5	40.9	92.1	283.1	14,669.0
Apr	0.1	5,388.5	39.5	1.0	12.0	132.5	41.7	14.1	42.8	13.8	30.8	79.0	5,795.8
May	0.1	5,554.2	29.2	0.2	19.5	140.7	75.5	20.2	55.8	12.2	24.8	114.2	6,046.6
Jun	0.1	5,145.2	57.0	0.1	16.9	137.4	101.0	13.8	30.4	11.6	31.8	108.0	5,653.2
Q2	0.3	16,087.8	125.7	1.3	48.3	410.7	218.2	48.1	129.0	37.6	87.4	301.3	17,495.7
Jul	1.0	2,253.2	22.8	0.1	11.0	129.9	59.1	14.0	56.3	10.2	23.5	79.3	2,660.1
Aug	0.2	3,420.0	51.1	0.3	17.4	158.3	63.0	16.6	46.1	12.8	30.9	84.1	3,900.8
Sep	0.1	3,739.5	45.7	0.8	20.4	148.5	89.2	17.8	60.9	12.9	41.2	83.2	4,260.3
Q3	1.3	9,412.7	119.6	1.2	48.7	436.6	211.3	48.4	163.3	35.9	95.6	246.5	10,821.2
Oct	0.2	2,297.7	33.8	1.5	22.6	124.7	94.6	21.4	35.6	12.1	30.8	96.2	2,771.2
Nov	0.2	4,132.5	29.1	0.2	13.1	157.2	13.8	27.1	33.4	15.9	40.6	86.6	4,549.6
%Distribution													
2017	0.1	90.6	0.6	0.1	0.3	3.0	1.4	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.9	1.3	100.0
2018	0.1	89.9	0.7	0.0	0.2	2.9	1.4	0.4	1.3	0.3	0.9	1.7	100.0
Oct_19	0.0	82.9	1.2	0.1	0.8	4.5	3.4	0.8	1.3	0.4	1.1	3.5	100.0
Nov_19	0.0	90.8	0.6	0.0	0.3	3.5	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.9	1.9	100.0

Table 2.3: Diamonds Trade – January 2017 to November 2019 (Million Pula)

Flow Type	Imports						Total Exports					
Period \ Indicators	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan	538.2	0.0	0.0	138.4	30.7	707.2	0.0	24.2	0.0	5,778.2	121.9	5,924.3
Feb	0.0	0.1	0.0	871.5	14.0	885.6	6.6	20.6	0.0	5,997.4	323.9	6,348.5
Mar	296.2	4.4	0.0	1,410.9	78.4	1,789.9	3.9	12.7	0.0	3,665.6	574.4	4,256.6
Q1	834.4	4.5	0.0	2,420.7	123.1	3,382.7	10.5	57.6	0.0	15,441.2	1,020.2	16,529.4
Apr	654.5	511.5	0.0	314.8	109.7	1,590.5	0.0	29.2	0.0	3,131.2	395.8	3,556.1
May	0.0	0.0	0.0	927.6	211.7	1,139.3	20.4	270.2	0.0	4,215.8	459.4	4,965.7
Jun	974.3	0.1	0.0	97.0	184.9	1,256.3	0.0	209.0	0.0	4,582.9	368.9	5,160.8
Q2	1,628.8	511.6	0.0	1,339.3	506.3	3,986.1	20.4	508.3	0.0	11,929.9	1,224.1	13,682.6
Jul	334.2	0.0	0.0	515.4	150.9	1,000.4	0.0	204.9	0.0	3,365.1	681.0	4,251.1
Aug	311.4	0.1	0.0	71.0	131.7	514.1	0.0	128.3	0.0	2,621.9	496.0	3,246.3
Sep	0.1	1.4	0.0	1,395.2	103.4	1,500.2	0.0	13.7	0.0	3,718.4	492.1	4,224.2
Q3	645.8	1.5	0.0	1,981.6	385.9	3,014.8	0.0	347.0	0.0	9,705.4	1,669.2	11,721.5
Oct	0.0	0.0	0.0	81.6	222.3	303.9	0.0	196.5	0.0	2,936.3	474.7	3,607.5
Nov	747.7	0.7	0.0	1,072.7	171.2	1,992.4	0.0	133.9	0.0	5,001.9	611.2	5,747.1
Dec	567.2	0.0	0.0	1,089.9	81.8	1,738.9	0.0	5.7	0.0	4,020.6	589.5	4,615.8
Q4	1,315.0	0.7	0.0	2,244.3	475.3	4,035.2	0.0	336.1	0.0	11,958.8	1,675.5	13,970.4
Total_2017	4,423.9	518.3	0.0	7,985.9	1,490.6	14,418.8	30.9	1,248.9	0.0	49,035.3	5,588.9	55,904.0
Jan	495.1	0.0	0.0	175.1	108.7	779.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	4,753.3	204.9	4,959.7
Feb	314.3	1.4	0.0	1,119.0	163.1	1,597.8	0.0	3.8	0.0	2,442.0	547.4	2,993.2
Mar	189.6	0.5	0.0	1,613.6	100.4	1,904.0	117.8	5.3	0.0	3,639.2	629.6	4,391.8
Q1	998.9	1.9	0.0	2,907.7	372.3	4,280.8	117.8	10.5	0.0	10,834.5	1,381.9	12,344.7
Apr	232.6	0.0	0.0	1,058.1	133.6	1,424.3	0.0	3.7	0.0	4,443.3	469.1	4,916.1
May	0.0	0.0	0.0	128.6	297.5	426.2	2.9	2.6	0.0	5,115.1	939.1	6,059.7
Jun	991.7	0.2	0.0	1,295.7	438.9	2,726.4	1.3	7.6	0.0	5,461.5	807.2	6,277.5
Q2	1,224.3	0.2	0.0	2,482.3	870.0	4,577.0	4.2	13.8	0.0	15,019.9	2,215.4	17,253.3
Jul	633.0	2.2	0.0	242.6	109.0	986.8	0.0	8.1	0.0	3,650.0	779.3	4,437.4
Aug	721.3	0.0	0.0	149.8	145.0	1,016.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,343.0	913.0	3,256.0
Sep	227.1	0.0	0.0	892.6	253.0	1,372.7	0.2	10.0	0.0	4,636.5	651.3	5,297.9
Q3	1,581.4	2.2	0.0	1,285.0	507.0	3,375.6	0.2	18.0	0.0	10,629.6	2,343.5	12,991.4
Oct	205.7	0.0	0.0	2,316.4	456.0	2,978.1	5.9	8.7	0.0	4,609.6	853.6	5,477.8
Nov	1,241.9	0.8	0.0	1,169.4	354.0	2,766.1	0.0	13.1	0.0	4,492.7	1,090.7	5,596.6
Dec	0.0	0.1	0.0	119.0	251.2	370.2	0.0	19.7	0.0	5,922.3	805.4	6,747.4
Q4	1,447.6	0.8	0.0	3,604.8	1,061.2	6,114.5	5.9	41.5	0.0	15,024.6	2,749.7	17,821.7
Total_2018	5,252.2	5.3	0.0	10,279.8	2,810.5	18,347.8	128.1	83.9	0.0	51,508.6	8,690.5	60,411.1
Jan	196.0	2.6	0.0	293.7	308.0	800.3	0.0	3.6	0.0	3,968.4	442.9	4,414.8
Feb	1,130.0	2.5	0.0	984.1	418.9	2,535.5	1.1	6.3	0.0	2,205.8	839.3	3,052.5
Mar	290.2	0.0	0.0	1,287.1	442.5	2,019.9	0.0	13.6	0.0	5,124.9	913.5	6,052.0
Q4	1,616.2	5.1	0.0	2,564.9	1,169.4	5,355.6	1.1	23.5	0.0	11,299.1	2,195.7	13,519.3
Apr	358.2	0.0	0.0	867.6	1,089.4	2,315.3	0.0	6.8	0.0	4,574.0	807.7	5,388.5
May	1,297.7	0.0	0.0	506.8	551.3	2,355.8	0.3	26.6	0.0	4,718.2	809.1	5,554.2
Jun	0.0	0.0	0.0	353.7	435.9	789.7	0.0	7.5	0.0	4,076.8	1,060.9	5,145.2
Q2	1,655.9	0.0	0.0	1,728.1	2,076.7	5,460.7	0.3	41.0	0.0	13,369.0	2,677.6	16,087.8
Jul	542.3	1.8	0.0	892.5	235.0	1,671.6	0.3	2.0	0.0	1,483.6	767.3	2,253.2
Aug	184.8	0.2	0.9	598.1	226.4	1,010.4	0.0	5.4	0.0	2,840.2	574.4	3,420.0
Sep	223.5	0.0	0.0	929.4	112.1	1,265.0	0.0	4.9	0.0	2,520.5	1,214.2	3,739.5
Q3	950.6	2.0	0.9	2,420.0	573.5	3,947.0	0.3	12.3	0.0	6,844.2	2,555.9	9,412.7
Oct	247.7	0.0	0.0	1,041.7	115.6	1,405.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	1,905.0	392.7	2,297.7
Nov	36.4	0.1	0.0	1,538.6	646.8	2,221.9	0.3	7.0	0.0	3,669.2	456.0	4,132.5

Note:

71021000::Unsorted diamonds

71022100:Industrial diamonds unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruited

71022900:Industrial diamonds, not mounted or set, NES

71023100:Non-industrial diamonds unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruited

71023900:Non-industrial diamonds, not mounted or set NES

HS: Harmonised System Code; NES: Not Elsewhere Specified

Table 3.1A: Total Imports by Country, Region and Principal Import Commodity Groups – November 2019 (Million Pula)

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metal & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	474.2	345.5	817.9	587.6	61.6	555.5	254.4	53.5	138.7	367.4	125.3	172.7	3,954.5
Namibia	0.3	889.5	14.2	18.3	0.0	0.2	0.3	4.3	0.1	5.2	0.0	0.5	933.0
Swaziland	34.9	0.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.0	40.7
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5
SACU	509.4	1,235.1	836.1	605.9	61.7	555.8	254.7	57.8	142.2	372.6	127.2	173.2	4,931.7
Zimbabwe	2.2	0.0	30.0	0.2	0.3	0.2	3.9	0.2	0.5	0.4	4.0	0.2	42.0
Mauritius	8.6	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.1
Zambia	0.0	0.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	7.9
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	2.4
Other SADC	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.8
SADC	520.4	1,235.1	874.5	606.2	62.0	558.6	260.5	58.0	142.7	373.3	131.2	173.6	4,996.0
Kenya	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	3.5
Morocco	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Africa	524.7	1,235.1	874.6	606.2	62.0	561.8	260.6	58.0	142.8	373.4	131.2	173.6	5,003.8
India	63.2	33.5	0.1	29.6	0.0	4.7	9.0	0.0	0.9	3.0	6.5	1.2	151.7
China	10.7	0.0	1.3	0.0	3.6	74.3	10.1	0.0	6.9	5.4	2.0	18.8	133.1
Hong Kong	0.5	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.5	82.7	2.0	0.0	0.9	0.1	0.2	2.0	91.8
UAE	0.5	1.6	0.1	3.7	0.0	6.8	0.1	0.0	0.8	1.5	0.4	0.4	15.8
Russian federation	0.0	12.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.6
Other Asia	7.1	1.2	2.1	5.3	0.2	8.5	1.7	0.0	0.9	53.4	0.7	1.7	82.6
ASIA	82.0	51.8	3.6	38.6	4.4	177.0	22.8	0.0	10.4	63.3	9.8	24.0	487.6
France	1.6	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	548.2	0.0	0.7	553.1
Belgium	4.0	267.0	0.6	0.0	0.1	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	273.0
UK	3.0	83.2	1.1	0.0	0.8	11.9	0.3	0.0	0.2	6.6	1.1	1.2	109.4
Germany	8.6	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.2	17.8	0.6	0.0	5.9	0.4	1.8	3.7	39.5
Finland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	41.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.0	0.0	46.7
Cyprus	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.0
Italy	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.9	1.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.4	8.5
Sweden	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.0
Other EU	3.8	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	24.6	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.2	2.7	32.4
EU	36.2	350.1	3.5	0.1	1.2	111.2	2.4	0.0	6.4	561.1	3.4	9.1	1,084.7
Switzerland	0.1	542.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.3	545.3
USA	4.9	5.6	0.7	0.0	0.0	19.9	0.6	0.0	0.3	4.7	0.2	0.8	37.8
Australia	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	16.1	7.7	0.0	0.3	5.9	0.0	3.8	35.8
Canada	0.3	36.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	36.8
Rest of World	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.5
Total	650.2	2,221.9	882.9	644.9	67.7	888.1	294.0	58.0	160.2		144.6	211.8	7,233.3

Table 3.1B: Principal Imports Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level – November 2019

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metal & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	12.0	8.7	20.7	14.9	1.6	14.0	6.4	1.4	3.5	9.3	3.2	4.4	100.0
Namibia	0.0	95.3	1.5	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.1	100.0
Swaziland	85.7	0.0	9.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.4	0.0	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	99.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
SACU	10.3	25.0	17.0	12.3	1.3	11.3	5.2	1.2	2.9	7.6	2.6	3.5	100.0
Zimbabwe	5.2	0.0	71.4	0.6	0.7	0.6	9.2	0.4	1.1	0.9	9.5	0.5	100.0
Mauritius	77.0	0.0	23.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Zambia	0.0	0.0	62.7	0.0	0.3	31.3	3.8	0.0	0.5	0.9	0.0	0.4	100.0
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	15.9	0.0	0.0	6.8	64.3	0.0	0.6	12.1	0.0	0.3	100.0
Other SADC	26.5	0.0	63.9	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.4	100.0
SADC	10.4	24.7	17.5	12.1	1.2	11.2	5.2	1.2	2.9	7.5	2.6	3.5	100.0
Kenya	95.2	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	2.5	0.0	0.8	100.0
Morocco	25.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	72.2	2.4	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other Africa	5.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	60.7	0.2	0.0	18.3	1.2	0.0	14.1	100.0
Africa	10.5	24.7	17.5	12.1	1.2	11.2	5.2	1.2	2.9	7.5	2.6	3.5	100.0
India	41.7	22.1	0.1	19.5	0.0	3.1	5.9	0.0	0.6	2.0	4.3	0.8	100.0
China	8.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	2.7	55.8	7.6	0.0	5.1	4.0	1.5	14.1	100.0
Hong Kong	0.5	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.6	90.1	2.1	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.3	2.2	100.0
UAE	3.0	10.0	0.8	23.2	0.0	43.1	0.6	0.0	5.3	9.2	2.3	2.5	100.0
Russian federation	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	8.6	1.4	2.5	6.4	0.2	10.2	2.0	0.0	1.1	64.6	0.8	2.1	100.0
ASIA	16.8	10.6	0.7	7.9	0.9	36.3	4.7	0.0	2.1	13.0	2.0	4.9	100.0
France	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	99.1	0.0	0.1	100.0
Belgium	1.5	97.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
UK	2.8	76.0	1.0	0.0	0.8	10.8	0.3	0.0	0.2	6.0	1.0	1.1	100.0
Germany	21.8	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.6	45.1	1.6	0.0	15.0	1.0	4.6	9.4	100.0
Finland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	88.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.4	0.0	0.0	100.0
Cyprus	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	100.0
Italy	2.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	69.4	16.0	0.0	2.0	0.1	4.4	5.2	100.0
Sweden	0.0	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	97.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	11.8	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	75.9	0.2	0.0	0.2	1.8	0.5	8.4	100.0
EU	3.3	32.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	10.3	0.2	0.0	0.6	51.7	0.3	0.8	100.0
Switzerland	0.0	99.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	100.0
USA	12.9	14.8	1.9	0.1	0.1	52.7	1.6	0.0	0.9	12.4	0.5	2.0	100.0
Australia	5.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.4	45.0	21.4	0.0	0.7	16.5	0.1	10.7	100.0
Canada	0.9	98.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Rest of World	11.2	0.0	29.4	0.0	0.2	41.5	0.2	0.0	6.4	0.0	0.0	11.2	100.0
Total	9.0	30.7	12.2	8.9	0.9	12.3	4.1	0.8	2.2	13.9	2.0	2.9	100.0

**Table 3.2A: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Commodity Groups – November 2019
(Million Pula)**

Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	0.2	58.2	0.0	0.2	8.4	128.4	8.0	20.4	24.9	14.7	19.3	59.7	342.4
Namibia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	8.4	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.8	6.0	13.1	29.8
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.9
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
SACU	0.2	58.2	0.0	0.2	9.1	137.0	8.9	21.2	24.9	15.6	25.3	72.8	373.3
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.7	6.8	0.0	1.6	5.5	0.0	4.8	4.5	27.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	0.0	4.2	2.8	0.1	9.4	6.1	26.3
DRC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	2.9
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.7	1.0	4.3
SADC	0.2	58.2	0.0	0.2	12.9	151.1	10.2	27.1	33.4	15.8	40.2	84.7	433.9
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9
Africa	0.2	58.2	0.0	0.2	12.9	151.1	10.2	27.1	33.4	15.8	40.2	85.5	434.7
India	0.0	1,284.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,285.0
UAE	0.0	1,064.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,064.7
Israel	0.0	301.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	301.2
Hong Kong	0.0	132.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	132.0
Viet Nam	0.0	57.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	57.6
Japan	0.0	23.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.4
Singapore	0.0	8.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.3
Other Asia	0.0	1,284.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,285.0
ASIA	0.0	2,871.8	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	2,872.3
Belgium	0.0	1,087.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,087.2
Germany	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	2.9
UK	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	2.5
Netherlands	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	2.5
EU	0.0	1,087.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.7	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.8	1,097.5
Switzerland	0.0	47.3	29.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	76.4
USA	0.0	65.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	66.1
Canada	0.0	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4
Rest of World	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
Total	0.2	4,132.5	29.1	0.2	13.1	157.2	13.8	27.1	33.4	15.9	40.6	86.6	4,549.6

Table 3.2B: Principal Exports Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Exports at Country and Regional Level – November 2019

Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	0.1	17.0	0.0	0.1	2.4	37.5	2.4	6.0	7.3	4.3	5.6	17.4	100.0
Namibia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	28.3	0.3	2.6	0.0	2.8	20.2	43.9	100.0
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	84.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	9.1	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.7	47.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.1	100.0
SACU	0.1	15.6	0.0	0.1	2.4	36.7	2.4	5.7	6.7	4.2	6.8	19.5	100.0
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.8	25.4	0.0	6.0	20.4	0.1	17.6	16.6	100.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	13.8	0.0	16.0	10.5	0.4	35.9	23.3	100.0
DRC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	92.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	7.0	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.8	29.9	1.2	3.4	3.2	16.1	23.4	100.0
SADC	0.0	13.4	0.0	0.0	3.0	34.8	2.3	6.2	7.7	3.6	9.3	19.5	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.9	98.4	100.0
Africa	0.0	13.4	0.0	0.0	3.0	34.8	2.3	6.2	7.7	3.6	9.3	19.7	100.0
India	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
UAE	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Israel	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Hong Kong	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Viet Nam	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Japan	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Singapore	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
ASIA	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Belgium	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Germany	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	91.5	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.4	100.0
UK	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	79.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	20.5	100.0
Netherlands	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.4	82.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	100.0
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	26.1	70.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	0.0	100.0
EU	0.0	99.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Switzerland	0.0	62.0	38.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
USA	0.0	99.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.1	100.0
Canada	0.0	98.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	100.0
Rest of World	0.0	61.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.2	0.0	28.0	100.0
Total	0.0	90.8	0.6	0.0	0.3	3.5	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.9	1.9	100.0

6.0 Concepts, Sources and Methods

IMTS are compiled by the International Merchandise Trade Statistics Section of Statistics Botswana, and uses the General Trade system. International Merchandise Trade refers to external trade in goods only. International Service Trade Statistics (ISTS) are however not compiled by this section. The primary source of international merchandise trade data is the Customs & Excise Division at the Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS). The Customs & Excise Division is responsible for data capture for both computerised and manual borders, and the monthly raw data files are transferred to Statistics Botswana for data processing.

Imports are valued CIF (cost, insurance & freight), while exports are valued FOB (free on board). The value of imports includes transport and insurance costs to the importing country. The Exports value consists only of the value of goods as they leave the exporting country.

6.1 Time of Recording of Trade

IMTS is compiled using date of recording of trade as opposed to date of assessment of goods by customs. This means that as goods cross the border, trade is recorded and this is the reference month for compilation of IMTS. Some of these goods may however be held by customs for some time pending final assessment for tax or duty purposes.

If the final assessment is done later, for example two or three months, or even more, after the goods had crossed the border, the affected trade will then update trade for the particular month when the goods crossed the border, therefore it does not form part of trade for the month during which the final assessment was done. This is mostly common with imports. Revision of data for the month preceding the one under review will normally show high values as compared to revisions for other months due to more goods (from the previous month) being released after final assessment.

6.2 Concepts and Definitions

- i. **Domestic Exports:** These are goods originating from the compiling country, being permanently exported out of the country for consumption in the outside world. This includes products from customs inwards processing; for example, if a country imports wheat, processes the wheat into bread flour and exports the bread flour and bye products from the milling process, these will all leave the country as domestic exports.
- ii. **Re - Exports:** These are exports of foreign goods that were initially recorded as imports into the compiling country. These goods are exported in the same state that they came in except for wear and tear. An example will be re-exportation of a motor vehicle that was initially imported into the compiling country and after being used it is now being exported to a foreign country.
- iii. **Total exports:** This is the sum of domestic exports and re-exports
- iv. **Imports:** These are goods imported from the outside world, into the compiling country, for local consumption. This includes re-importation of locally produced goods that were initially exported and are now being imported back into the country.
- v. **Trade Balance (Net Export):** This refers to the total value of goods exported minus the total value of goods imported by a given economy in a given period of time. A positive trade balance (trade surplus) indicates that a country is exporting more in value terms than it is importing. A negative trade balance (trade deficit) indicates that the country is importing more than it is exporting.

6.3 Exclusions from IMTS

- i. **Goods in Transit** - This is trade that is simply passing through the compiling country solely for the purpose of being transported to another country.
- ii. **Goods temporarily admitted or dispatched** - These are goods that, at the time of admission/dispatch, are intended to stay in the receiving country temporarily and that after their stay they will be returned in the same state. These goods include display equipment for trade fairs and exhibitions, commercial samples, means of transport, containers, equipment for working, etc.
- iii. **Monetary Gold**- This is gold to which the monetary authorities have title and is held as reserve assets.
- iv. **Issued banknotes and securities and coins in circulation**-These goods represent evidence of financial claims and are excluded from IMTS

The above list of exclusions from IMTS is, however, not exhaustive and only a few that are common, simple, straightforward and easy to understand have been picked as examples.