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Preface

International Merchandise Trade Statistics play a crucial role in the world economy. It is an account of all transactions of goods between a country and its trading partners. The account measures the value and quantity of goods that add to or subtract from the stock of material resources of a country. Trade statistics remain one of the major indicators of the performance of a country's economy and its competitiveness in the world market.

The monthly International Merchandise Trade Statistics are used extensively in the compilation of national accounts and balance of payments. Furthermore, these statistics are used by government institutions and other stakeholders for trade negotiations and other various purposes.

This publication outlines Botswana's monthly International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) for August 2022. It shows summaries of total international merchandise trade as presented in **Table 1.0**. Trade by principal commodity groups is presented in **Table 2.1** for imports and **Table 2.2** for exports, while **Table 2.3** gives trade on diamonds only. The direction of trade appears in **Table 3.1A** (imports) and **Table 3.2A** (total exports). Major trading partner countries by commodity groups, as a percentage of trade at region or country level, for August 2022 are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. **Table 4.1A** presents statistics on the most imported commodities during August 2022, while exports are given in **Table 4.1B**.

Changes in data for the corresponding months in the current versus previous digests may be attributed to data from transactions that had deferred customs duty assessments. The data for such transactions would only be available at a later stage after customs duty assessments have been completed.

International trade statistics by mode of transport are collected for the 'active modes of transport' (road, rail, air) with which goods are presumed to leave or enter the statistical territory of the country. Such data may be used to formulate transport policy, monitor international transport routes or assess the impact of international trade on the environment.

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I sincerely thank all stakeholders involved in the formulation of this monthly digest, for their continued support and feedback, as we strive to serve users of our products and services.



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Executive Summary

This International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) monthly digest provides a summary of trade statistics on Botswana's total imports and exports of goods for August 2022.

In August 2022, total imports were valued at P6, 926.3 million, giving a decrease of 15.8 percent from the revised July 2022 value of P8, 223.6 million. Total exports during the same month amounted to P10, 758.4 million, reflecting an increase of 7.1 percent from the revised July 2022 value of P10, 046.5 million.

The leading import commodity groups were Fuel with 25.0 percent, followed by Food, Beverages & Tobacco with 14.9 percent contribution to total imports during the reporting period. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Diamonds followed with contributions of 13.5 percent and 12.1 percent to total imports respectively. During the reference month, Diamonds, Copper and Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 88.8 percent, 4.1 percent and 1.9 percent to total exports in that order.

Imports from **SACU** made a contribution of 76.3 percent, whilst those from Asia and the **EU** accounted for 8.1 percent and 4.2 percent of total imports respectively, during August 2022. Imports from South Africa accounted for 69.8 percent of total imports. Namibia, Canada and China provided imports representing 6.3 percent, 4.7 percent and 3.5 percent, respectively.

During the month under review, exports destined to Asia, the **EU** and **SACU** accounted for 69.3 percent, 17.3 percent and 10.1 percent of the total exports, respectively. The **UAE**, Belgium and India received exports representing 30.9 percent, 17.3 percent and 16.2 percent of the monthly total, respectively. South Africa received exports accounting for 8.2 percent of the monthly total.

In August 2022, imports transported by Road accounted for 79.2 percent whereas those entering the country by Air and Rail represented 13.1 percent and 7.7 percent, respectively. Exports by Air accounted for 90.1 percent of total exports, while those by Road and Rail transport represented 9.7 percent and 0.2 percent, respectively.

1.0 Total Trade

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance. The discussions are based on August 2022, which is also referred to as the reference period, the period under review or the current month, throughout the digest.

1.1 Data Revision

The current monthly digest is based on preliminary figures as regards the reference period. Revisions to the monthly data are subsequently made when new information becomes available. Revisions are made on a monthly basis, when monthly data files are uploaded into the database, bringing additional information for previous months. In some instances, revisions are negligible while significant in others.

During August 2022, transactions for July 2022 had late customs duty assessments. **Table A** shows revised data for the affected month, comparing figures as at the July 2022 Digest and the current. July 2022 imports were revised up by 1.9 percent (P157.0 million). Total Exports for July 2022 rose by 0.3 percent (P31.2 million).

Table A: Data Revision: July 2022 (Million Pula)

Period/ Indicators	As at July 2022 Digest			As at August 2022 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
July	8,066.6	10,015.3	1,948.7	8,223.6	10,046.5	1,822.9	157.0	31.2	(125.8)	1.9	0.3	(6.5)

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1.2 Imports

Imports are valued at Cost, Insurance & Freight (CIF), which includes the cost of the commodity, insurance and freight charges, but excludes customs or any other duties paid on arrival. In August 2022 imports were valued at P6, 926.3 million, a decrease of 15.8 percent (P1, 297.3 million) from the revised July 2022 figure of P8, 223.6 million. The decline was mainly due to a decrease in Diamonds imports, by 44.7 percent (P676.1 million) as displayed in Table 2.1.

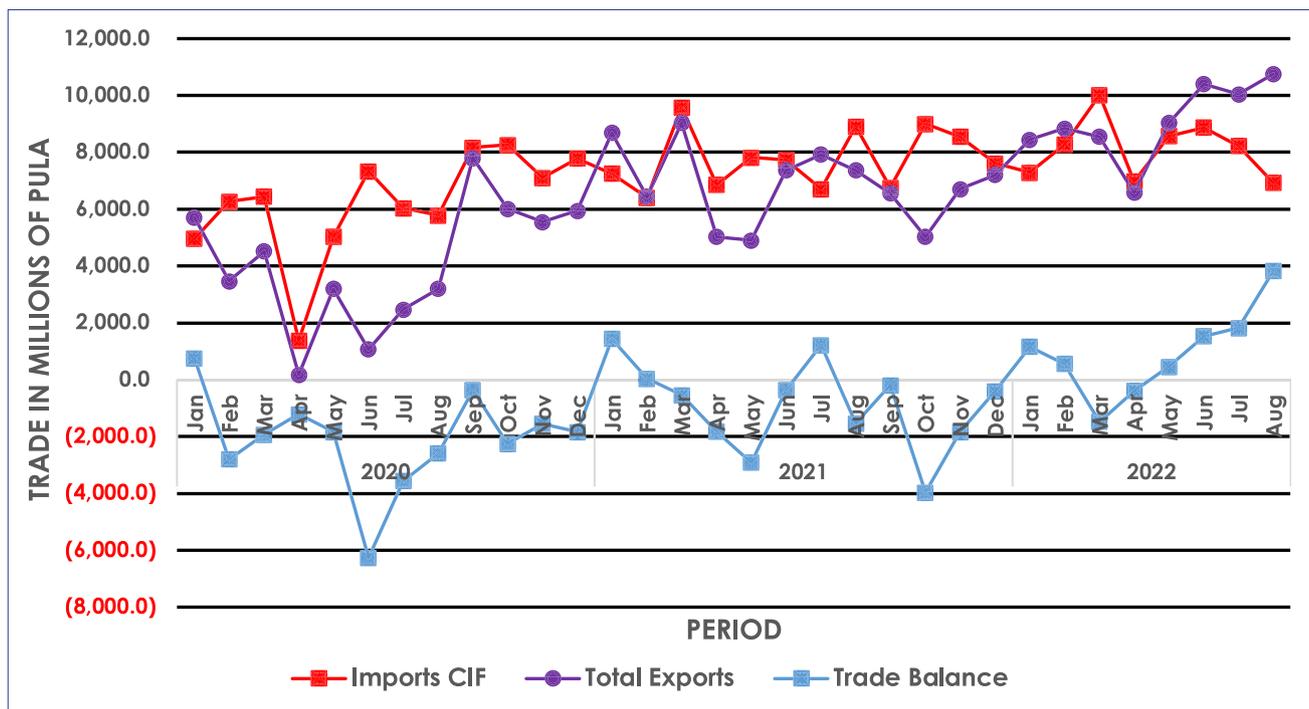
1.3 Total Exports

In August 2022, Botswana's total export value went up by 7.1 percent (P711.9 million), from the revised July 2022 figure of P10, 046.5 million to P10, 758.4 million. The increase is attributed largely to the rise in Diamonds exports, by 8.3 percent (P728.9 million) from the revised July 2022 value of P8, 819.4 million to P9, 548.4 million.

1.4 Trade Balance

Botswana recorded a trade surplus of P3, 832.1 million in August 2022, which follows the revised trade surplus of P1, 822.9 million for July 2022. This is the fourth consecutive surplus and the highest since the beginning of the year. Chart 1.0 displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2020 to August 2022.

Chart 1.0: Total International Merchandise Trade – January 2020 to August 2022 (Million Pula)



2.0 Trade by Principal Commodity Groups

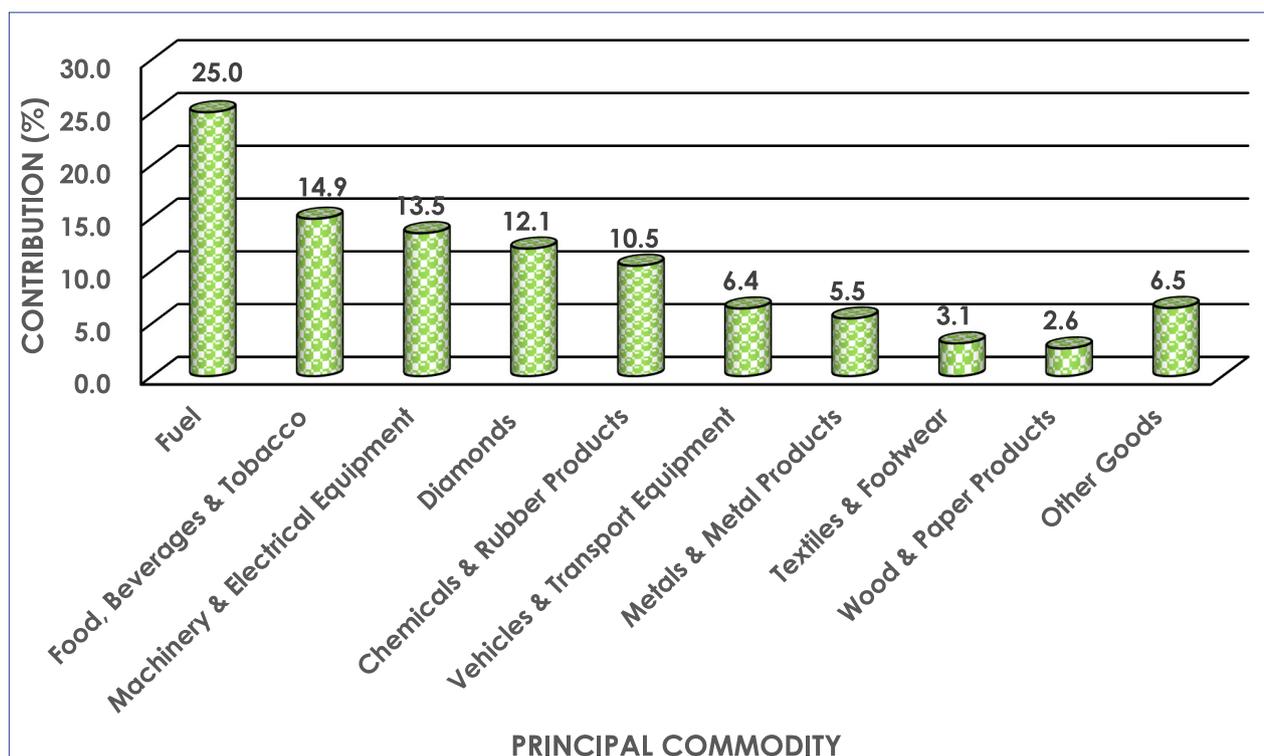
Principal commodity groups refer to selections of related commodities grouped together to form major groups. Commodities forming a group may be of related chapters or commodities, for example 'Vehicles & Transport Equipment' combines vehicles and other equipment used for transport purposes.

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

2.1 Principal Imports

Botswana received imports valued at P6, 926.3 million in August 2022. During the current period, the top import groups were; Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco; Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Diamonds. Fuel imports contributed 25.0 percent (P1, 730.7 million) of total imports, followed by Food, Beverages & Tobacco with 14.9 percent (P1, 032.6 million). Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Diamonds imports accounted for 13.5 percent (P937.8 million) and 12.1 percent (P836.7 million) respectively. Contributions made by other commodity groups are illustrated in [Table 2.1](#) and [Chart 2.1](#).

Chart 2.1: Composition of Principal Imports-August 2022

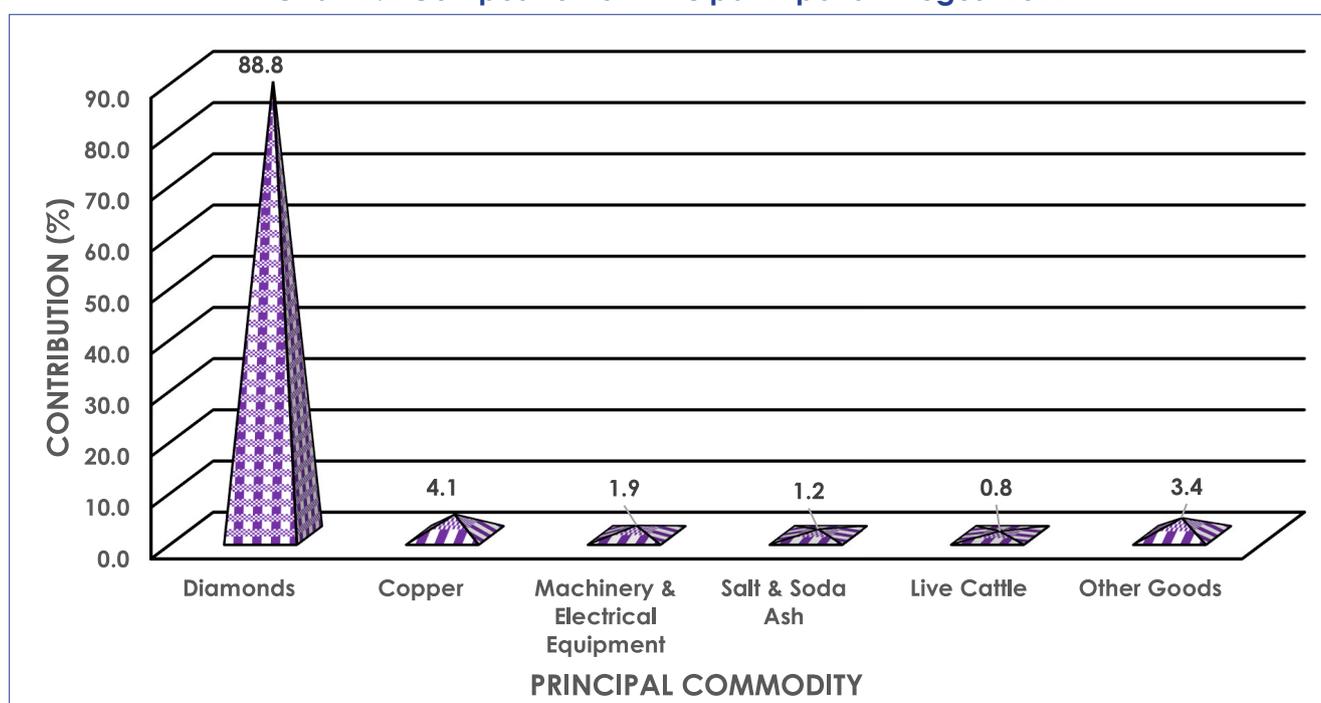


Note: 'Other Goods' here includes any other goods not displayed as in Table 2.1

2.2 Principal Exports

During the reference month, Botswana exported merchandise valued at P10, 758.4 million. The Diamonds group accounted for 88.8 percent (P9, 548.4 million), followed by Copper with 4.1 percent (P437.0 million). Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 1.9 percent (P204.4 million) of the monthly total value of exports. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in [Table 2.2](#) and [Chart 2.2](#).

Chart 2.2 Composition of Principal Exports – August 2022



Note: 'Other Goods' here includes any other goods not displayed as in Table 2.2

3.0 Direction of Trade

The direction of Trade analyses the value of merchandise trade between the compiling country and the major trading partners. As a result the direction of trade discusses the last known destination for exports and sources of imports. Only major trading partners are considered individually, while smaller trading partners are grouped together under a general category. Trade by major trading partner countries, regions and principal commodity groups for imports and exports, during August 2022 appears 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 by principal commodity groups during the same month.

3.1 Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Botswana imported goods worth P6, 926.3 million, with the **SACU** region contributing 76.3 percent (P5, 281.7 million) to the total. Notable imported commodity groups from the customs union were; Fuel and Food, Beverages & Tobacco with contributions of 31.9 percent (P1, 686.8 million) and 18.6 percent (P982.2 million) respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products contributed 12.0 percent (P631.8 million) and 11.0 percent (P579.9 million) respectively, to imports from the region during the period, refer to [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#).

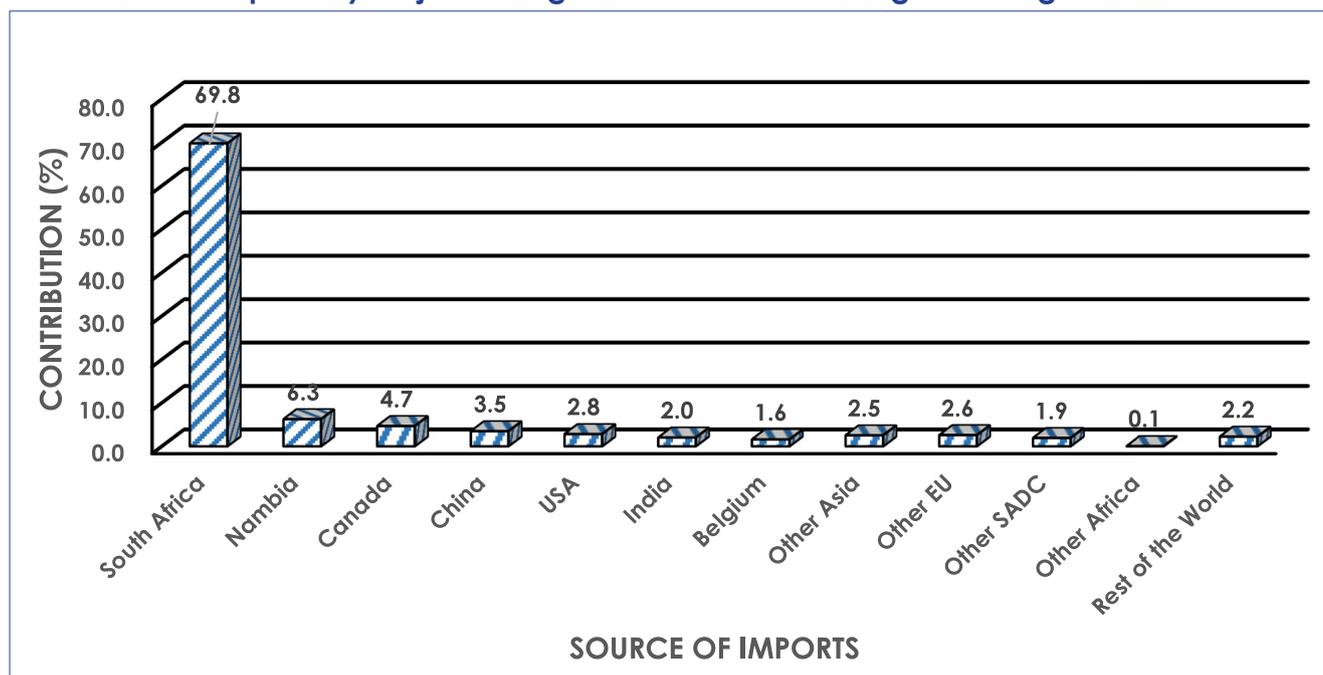
South Africa supplied imports representing 69.8 percent (P4, 834.0 million) of total imports during the current month. Fuel and Food, Beverages & Tobacco contributed 27.1 percent (P1, 310.4 million) and 19.7 percent (P950.3 million) to total imports from that country, respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products followed with contributions of 13.0 percent (P630.5 million) and 12.0 percent (P579.8 million) respectively. Namibia contributed 6.3 percent (P433.4 million) to total imports during the period under review. Imports from Namibia were mostly Fuel at 86.8 percent (P376.4 million) of imports from that country.

In August 2022, Asia supplied imports worth P558.0 million, representing 8.1 percent of Botswana's total imports. The major commodity groups imported were Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Diamonds with contributions of 31.0 percent (P172.8 million) and 23.7 percent (P132.1 million) of total imports from the block, respectively. China and India contributed 3.5 percent (P241.2 million) and 2.0 percent (P140.4 million) respectively, to total imports during the month under review.

During the current period, Botswana received imports worth P290.0 million (4.2 percent) from the **EU**. Imports from Belgium represented 1.6 percent (P110.5 million) of total imports. The major commodity group imported from the **EU** was Diamonds, at 36.4 percent (P105.5 million) of all imports from the union. Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 28.2 percent (P81.8 million) to imports from the **EU**.

Canada contributed 4.7 percent (P323.5 million) of total imports in August 2022, of which 99.7 percent (P322.6 million) were diamonds. Sources of imports during August 2022 can be viewed in [Table 3.1 A](#) and [Chart 3.1](#).

Chart 3.1: Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – August 2022



'Rest of the World' includes all other Countries or Regions not specified as in Table 3.1A
 "Other..." includes all countries in the regional block except those displayed on the chart

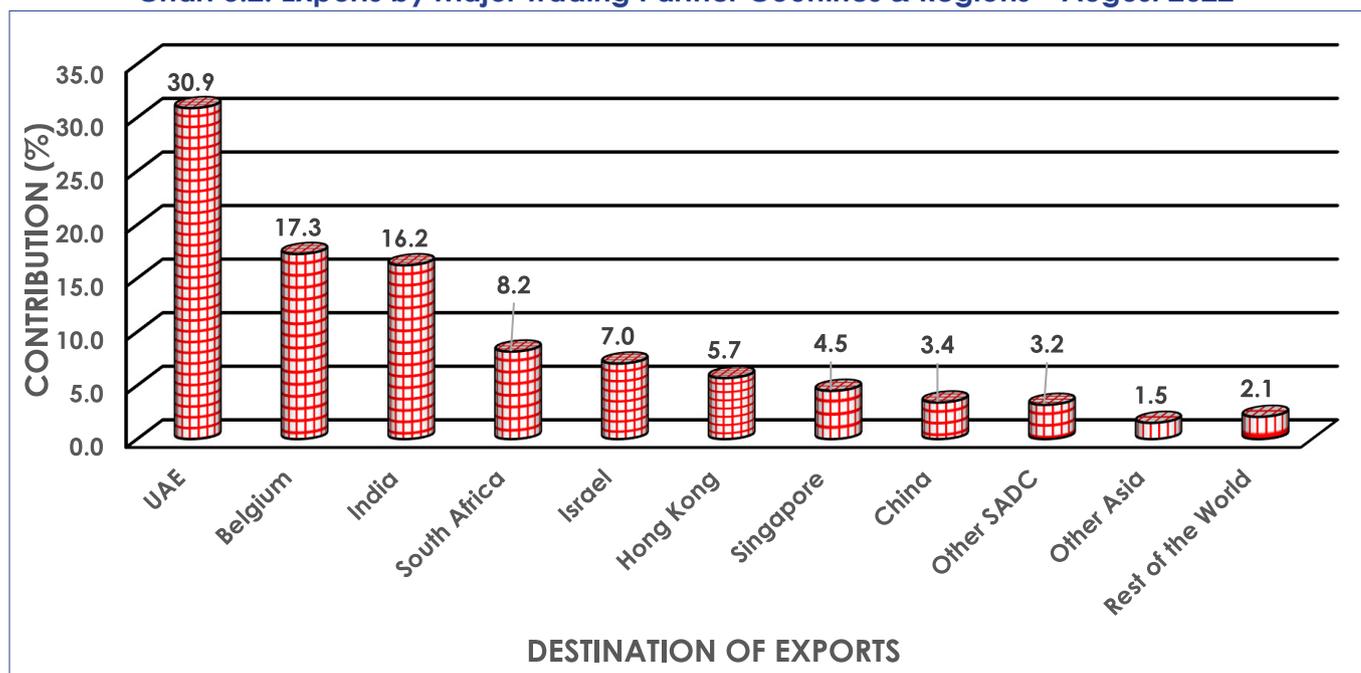
3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

During the reference period, Asia was the top destination for Botswana exports, having received 69.3 percent (P7, 452.4 million) of total exports. These exports were mainly destined for the **UAE** and India, which received 30.9 percent (P3, 322.7 million) and 16.2 percent (P1, 7451 million) of total exports, respectively. Diamonds and Copper were the major commodity groups exported to Asia during the current period as shown in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

The **EU** received exports amounting to P1, 859.7 million, accounting for 17.3 percent of total exports during the month. Belgium received almost all the exports destined for the union, acquiring 99.9 percent (P1, 858.4 million). The Diamonds group was the main commodity group exported to the EU, at 99.5 percent (P1, 851.0 million) as displayed in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

In August 2022, exports destined to the **SACU** region amounted to P1, 088.6 million, accounting for 10.1 percent of total exports. Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the major commodity groups exported, accounting for 43.3 percent (P471.5 million) and 16.1 percent (P175.7 million) of total exports to the customs union respectively. South Africa and Namibia received 8.2 percent (P878.6 million) and 2.0 percent (P209.8 million) of total exports respectively, (**Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**).

Chart 3.2: Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – August 2022



'Rest of the World' includes all other Countries or Regions not specified as in Table 3.2

"Other..." includes all countries in the regional block except those displayed on the chart

4.0 Imports and Exports by Top imported and Exported Commodities

The top traded commodities for both flows are presented in **Table 4.1A** for imports and **Table 4.1B** for exports. This is intended to present the most traded goods with a view to guiding users on opportunities to produce commodities for import substitution or possible exportation.

5.0 Imports and Exports by Mode of Transport

For the purposes of the compilation of International Merchandise Trade Statistics, the mode of transport refers to the method used for the carriage of goods in and out of the country. These statistics are predominantly collected to be used as guidance in formulating transport policy and monitoring international transport routes, as transport is critical for trade facilitation. Modes of transport mainly used in Botswana for international merchandise trade are Air, Road and Rail. **Table B** presents statistics relating to modes of transport while Chart B gives a graphical illustration.

During the month under review, goods exported by Air were valued at P9, 692.1 million, representing 90.1 percent of total exports, while those leaving the country by Road and Rail accounted for 9.7 percent (P1,041.3 million) and 0.2 percent (P24.2 million) respectively.

Imports accounting for 79.2 percent (P5, 485.9 million) of the monthly total value were transported into the country by Road while those conveyed by Air and Rail represented 13.1 percent (P904.3 million) and 7.7 percent (P535.1 million) respectively.

Table B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – August 2022 (Million Pula)

Trans Type \ Flow Type	Imports		Total Exports	
	Value	%	Value	%
Rail	535.1	7.7	24.2	0.2
Road	5,485.9	79.2	1,041.3	9.7
Air	904.3	13.1	9,692.1	90.1
Others	1.0	0.0	0.7	0.0
Total	6,926.3	100.0	10,758.4	100.0

Chart B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – August 2022

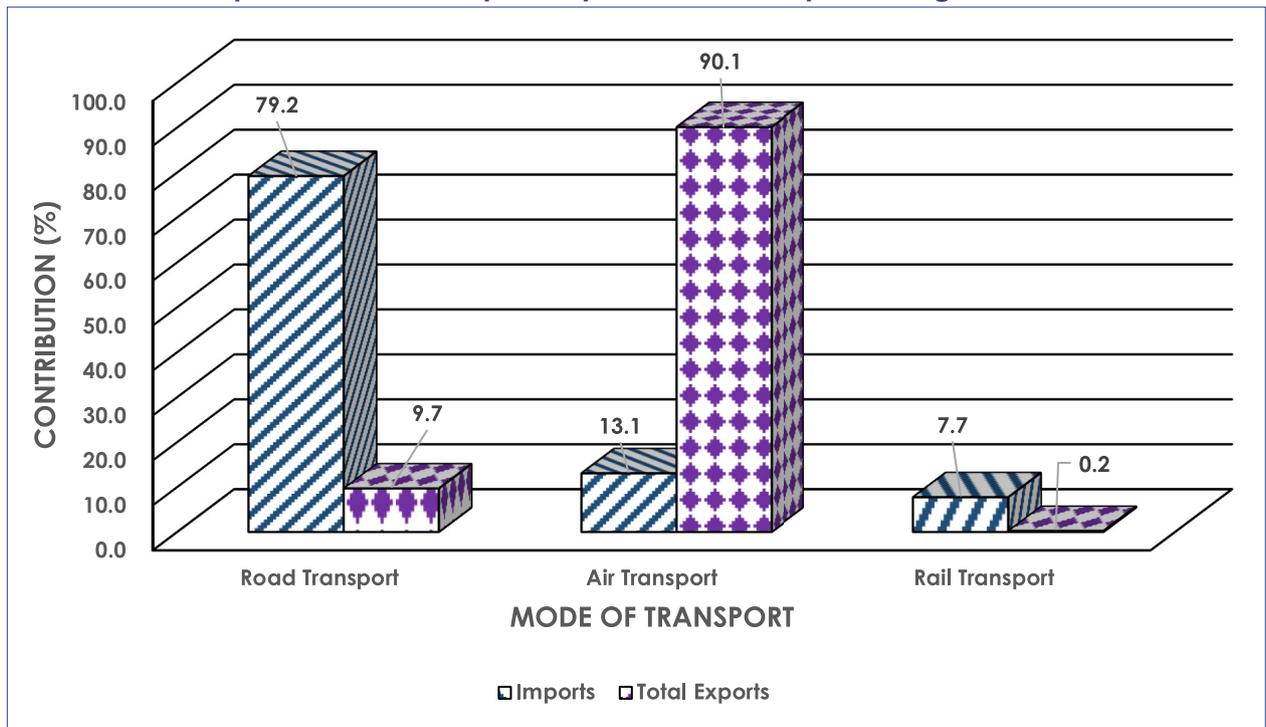


Table 1.0 : Total Merchandise Trade - January 2020 to August 2022 (Million Pula)

Period \ Indicators	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan_2020	4,959.8	4,736.7	222.2	0.9	5,707.4	9.2	5,716.7	756.9
Feb	6,270.6	5,999.2	270.0	1.4	3,465.9	0.6	3,466.5	(2,804.1)
Mar	6,445.3	6,179.7	264.3	1.4	4,517.8	0.2	4,518.0	(1,927.4)
Q1	17,675.7	16,915.5	756.5	3.7	13,691.1	10.1	13,701.2	(3,974.5)
Apr	1,383.2	1,295.1	87.7	0.4	173.0	0.1	173.0	(1,210.2)
May	5,030.6	4,792.5	237.5	0.6	3,198.2	0.1	3,198.3	(1,832.3)
Jun	7,335.6	7,082.9	251.7	1.0	1,071.6	0.2	1,071.8	(6,263.8)
Q2	13,749.4	13,170.6	576.9	2.0	4,442.8	0.3	4,443.1	(9,306.3)
Jul	6,040.0	5,748.0	290.7	1.3	2,471.5	0.2	2,471.7	(3,568.2)
Aug	5,787.7	5,565.7	220.6	1.4	3,196.2	1.1	3,197.3	(2,590.3)
Sep	8,171.6	7,932.4	238.0	1.1	7,798.8	0.4	7,799.2	(372.4)
Q3	19,999.2	19,246.1	749.3	3.7	13,466.6	1.7	13,468.3	(6,530.9)
Oct	8,258.5	7,994.7	262.7	1.0	6,007.7	0.7	6,008.4	(2,250.0)
Nov	7,103.2	6,828.3	272.8	2.1	5,552.0	0.0	5,552.0	(1,551.2)
Dec	7,783.4	7,485.0	296.6	1.8	5,941.9	0.6	5,942.5	(1,840.9)
Q4	23,145.1	22,308.0	832.2	5.0	17,501.6	1.4	17,502.9	(5,642.1)
Total_2020	74,569.4	71,640.2	2,914.8	14.4	49,102.1	13.5	49,115.5	(25,453.9)
Jan_2021	7,250.8	6,987.7	261.6	1.4	8,688.2	0.3	8,688.5	1,437.7
Feb	6,402.0	6,130.6	269.7	1.6	6,443.6	0.0	6,443.6	41.6
Mar	9,580.1	9,228.0	350.7	1.4	9,039.6	0.0	9,039.6	(540.5)
Q1	23,232.8	22,346.3	882.0	4.5	24,171.4	0.4	24,171.7	938.9
Apr	6,856.3	6,563.8	291.2	1.3	5,030.5	0.0	5,030.5	(1,825.8)
May	7,815.6	7,523.7	290.5	1.4	4,898.1	0.0	4,898.1	(2,917.6)
Jun	7,735.6	7,463.1	270.8	1.6	7,367.8	0.9	7,368.8	(366.8)
Q2	22,407.5	21,550.6	852.6	4.3	17,296.4	0.9	17,297.3	(5,110.2)
Jul	6,705.5	6,428.4	275.9	1.3	7,930.1	0.2	7,930.3	1,224.8
Aug	8,903.6	8,561.1	340.8	1.7	7,367.5	0.0	7,367.5	(1,536.1)
Sep	6,751.3	6,473.1	276.6	1.6	6,553.6	1.9	6,555.5	(195.8)
Q3	22,360.5	21,462.6	893.4	4.5	21,851.3	2.0	21,853.4	(507.1)
Oct	9,003.0	8,649.5	351.1	2.5	5,029.7	0.7	5,030.5	(3,972.6)
Nov	8,546.4	8,194.1	350.0	2.3	6,700.6	4.3	6,704.9	(1,841.5)
Dec	7,607.5	7,264.2	341.6	1.7	7,199.2	5.5	7,204.7	(402.8)
Q4	25,156.9	24,107.8	1,042.7	6.4	18,929.5	10.5	18,940.0	(6,216.8)
Total_2021	93,157.7	89,467.4	3,670.7	19.7	82,248.6	13.9	82,262.5	(10,895.3)
Jan_2022	7,286.5	6,972.6	312.0	1.9	8,445.3	0.0	8,445.3	1,158.8
Feb	8,275.4	7,935.0	338.1	2.3	8,840.3	0.1	8,840.4	565.0
Mar	10,019.3	9,624.7	392.2	2.4	8,544.2	0.3	8,544.5	(1,474.9)
Q1	25,581.2	24,532.4	1,042.3	6.6	25,829.8	0.3	25,830.1	248.9
Apr	6,977.8	6,671.0	304.9	1.9	6,586.2	0.0	6,586.2	(391.6)
May	8,577.1	8,252.7	322.8	1.7	9,031.4	0.1	9,031.5	454.3
Jun	8,874.9	8,340.8	532.2	1.8	10,400.9	1.6	10,402.5	1,527.6
Q2	24,429.8	23,264.5	1,159.9	5.4	26,018.5	1.7	26,020.2	1,590.4
Jul	8,223.6	7,874.3	347.8	1.6	10,045.6	0.9	10,046.5	1,822.9
Aug	6,926.3	6,594.0	329.8	2.4	10,757.2	1.2	10,758.4	3,832.1

Table 2.1 : Principal Imports Commodity Groups - January 2020 to August 2022 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2020	521	751	801	1,037	55	762	207	61	94	383	117	172	4,960
Feb	527	1,145	823	731	72	868	282	72	154	820	150	627	6,271
Mar	619	1,672	866	1,081	65	864	249	54	149	466	129	231	6,445
Q1	1,667	3,569	2,490	2,849	192	2,494	739	186	397	1,669	395	1,030	17,676
Apr	273	0	521	209	6	193	35	6	33	18	35	54	1,383
May	538	974	574	1,012	34	487	148	31	117	793	87	238	5,031
Jun	666	3,427	670	548	66	767	229	59	123	462	126	193	7,336
Q2	1,477	4,401	1,765	1,769	105	1,446	412	96	273	1,273	247	485	13,749
Jul	639	942	784	1,725	57	664	263	62	106	467	130	199	6,040
Aug	556	1,734	786	722	70	633	241	72	129	396	126	322	5,788
Sep	686	3,849	912	614	73	723	274	65	147	438	149	242	8,172
Q3	1,882	6,525	2,482	3,061	201	2,021	778	199	381	1,302	404	764	19,999
Oct	633	3,545	943	738	89	887	350	73	150	437	145	268	8,258
Nov	668	2,255	943	653	80	833	391	65	173	618	163	261	7,103
Dec	673	2,776	898	600	71	626	334	63	121	1,155	151	317	7,783
Q4	1,974	8,576	2,784	1,990	240	2,345	1,074	201	445	2,211	460	847	23,145
Total_2020	6,999	23,071	9,521	9,669	738	8,306	3,003	681	1,495	6,455	1,506	3,125	74,569
Jan_2021	551	3,348	852	654	43	612	275	75	123	381	118	220	7,251
Feb	551	2,086	795	784	68	739	345	66	153	438	130	247	6,402
Mar	998	3,692	891	904	90	929	399	69	175	918	194	321	9,580
Q1	2,099	9,126	2,538	2,342	201	2,280	1,019	210	451	1,738	442	788	23,233
Apr	653	1,925	806	854	64	739	347	69	177	836	149	237	6,856
May	659	2,884	838	812	62	868	412	71	136	689	160	225	7,816
Jun	773	2,846	867	860	67	889	385	79	134	460	148	229	7,736
Q2	2,085	7,656	2,511	2,526	194	2,495	1,144	219	446	1,985	456	690	22,408
Jul	634	2,181	843	900	54	811	358	75	118	359	154	219	6,706
Aug	749	3,563	831	1,074	82	963	432	76	157	517	196	264	8,904
Sep	724	1,616	954	866	85	957	390	76	190	455	182	257	6,751
Q3	2,107	7,360	2,629	2,840	221	2,731	1,180	227	465	1,331	532	740	22,360
Oct	881	3,414	1,041	1,091	86	961	322	70	236	512	163	225	9,003
Nov	796	3,014	1,036	1,109	85	931	392	68	225	480	174	235	8,546
Dec	815	2,091	967	1,213	61	832	307	62	154	725	152	229	7,607
Q4	2,492	8,519	3,044	3,413	233	2,724	1,021	200	615	1,717	489	690	25,157
Total_2021	8,784	32,661	10,721	11,120	849	10,230	4,364	856	1,977	6,770	1,918	2,907	93,158
Jan_2022	1,075	2,225	877	1,088	39	789	281	60	132	430	131	159	7,287
Feb	629	3,296	877	1,045	62	1,003	351	59	185	429	142	198	8,275
Mar	859	3,712	1,183	1,438	68	1,053	510	64	212	513	166	241	10,019
Q1	2,563	9,233	2,937	3,570	169	2,845	1,142	183	529	1,372	439	599	25,581
Apr	673	1,675	903	1,410	61	932	373	58	165	392	141	194	6,978
May	849	2,743	900	1,439	105	1,106	409	70	182	389	151	235	8,577
Jun	809	1,128	2,309	1,721	70	1,137	356	68	166	720	148	242	8,875
Q2	2,331	5,546	4,112	4,571	237	3,174	1,138	197	514	1,500	440	671	24,430
Jul	695	1,513	963	2,293	89	1,015	369	68	204	619	164	231	8,224
Aug	724	837	1,033	1,731	71	938	378	79	215	444	181	297	6,926
%Contribution													
2020	9.4	30.9	12.8	13.0	1.0	11.1	4.0	0.9	2.0	8.7	2.0	4.2	100.0
2021	9.4	35.1	11.5	11.9	0.9	11.0	4.7	0.9	2.1	7.3	2.1	3.1	100.0
July	8.4	18.4	11.7	27.9	1.1	12.3	4.5	0.8	2.5	7.5	2.0	2.8	100.0
August	10.5	12.1	14.9	25.0	1.0	13.5	5.5	1.1	3.1	6.4	2.6	4.3	100.0

Table 2.2 : Principal Exports Commodity Groups - January 2020 to August 2022 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2020	0.2	5,239.7	20.5	0.1	13.0	35.4	159.9	12.5	23.1	64.1	15.6	28.1	104.5	5,716.7
Feb	1.7	2,914.7	46.7	0.1	17.1	72.8	169.2	14.8	25.4	65.8	14.9	30.9	92.6	3,466.5
Mar	280.3	3,778.3	22.6	0.1	12.0	110.8	128.4	8.3	19.4	53.9	12.9	33.9	57.1	4,518.0
Q1	282.2	11,932.6	89.8	0.2	42.1	219.0	457.5	35.6	67.9	183.9	43.4	92.9	254.2	13,701.2
Apr	3.7	0.0	76.7	0.0	0.7	0.3	3.0	12.9	2.5	41.4	0.0	0.0	31.8	173.0
May	3.5	2,931.6	46.5	0.0	4.5	0.0	71.0	18.3	12.0	46.5	7.2	3.6	53.7	3,198.3
Jun	2.1	643.3	23.9	0.1	13.1	1.3	117.7	19.1	27.5	77.9	11.1	27.0	107.7	1,071.8
Q2	9.2	3,574.9	147.1	0.1	18.2	1.5	191.7	50.3	42.1	165.9	18.2	30.7	193.2	4,443.1
Jul	2.2	1,988.4	70.2	0.0	15.3	0.0	137.0	32.9	20.9	52.5	12.7	33.0	106.6	2,471.7
Aug	3.3	2,604.5	48.1	0.1	10.5	0.0	254.1	34.7	37.7	56.5	12.8	36.5	98.5	3,197.3
Sep	0.7	7,297.6	56.5	0.1	17.6	0.0	180.1	22.1	31.9	56.4	15.7	28.1	92.4	7,799.2
Q3	6.3	11,890.4	174.9	0.2	43.4	0.0	571.2	89.6	90.4	165.4	41.3	97.6	297.6	13,468.3
Oct	0.8	5,417.3	33.6	1.0	18.5	67.5	193.5	34.2	37.5	72.4	19.4	25.0	87.9	6,008.4
Nov	0.2	5,002.3	51.6	0.1	16.0	82.0	158.6	7.1	29.8	80.6	26.9	16.2	80.6	5,552.0
Dec	0.0	5,486.9	75.4	0.8	12.6	80.5	65.4	5.8	21.5	61.1	13.1	32.1	87.3	5,942.5
Q4	1.0	15,906.5	160.5	2.0	47.1	230.0	417.4	47.1	88.8	214.1	59.4	73.3	255.8	17,502.9
Total_2020	298.7	43,304.5	572.4	2.5	150.7	450.5	1,637.8	222.6	289.2	729.2	162.3	294.5	1,000.7	49,115.5
Jan_2021	0.2	8,205.5	44.0	0.9	12.4	56.0	169.8	0.6	18.9	65.6	14.9	22.1	77.6	8,688.5
Feb	0.0	5,991.9	16.8	0.0	12.5	60.8	151.7	2.1	29.0	51.6	12.1	20.8	94.3	6,443.6
Mar	0.9	8,455.6	51.5	1.8	25.2	96.7	156.6	9.2	32.4	54.8	18.0	48.5	88.5	9,039.6
Q1	1.1	22,653.0	112.3	2.7	50.1	213.5	478.1	11.9	80.4	172.0	44.9	91.4	260.4	24,171.7
Apr	0.1	4,471.4	0.0	1.5	20.5	63.0	182.3	9.0	33.6	54.8	15.5	30.8	148.1	5,030.5
May	0.3	4,280.0	62.1	1.4	28.6	87.1	152.4	18.2	42.2	54.9	15.3	18.0	137.5	4,898.1
Jun	0.3	6,710.0	35.8	0.1	30.7	100.4	163.3	34.8	39.0	73.9	15.2	20.4	144.8	7,368.8
Q2	0.8	15,461.5	97.9	3.0	79.8	250.5	498.0	62.1	114.8	183.6	46.0	69.2	430.4	17,297.3
Jul	86.8	7,210.0	0.0	1.5	18.3	80.5	183.3	12.7	33.8	104.5	14.6	27.2	157.0	7,930.3
Aug	396.7	6,326.1	71.7	1.8	18.1	90.0	164.1	17.8	24.9	51.3	18.5	35.7	150.9	7,367.5
Sep	247.2	5,771.1	25.3	3.3	24.0	20.3	196.0	13.3	30.6	62.7	18.4	26.0	117.4	6,555.5
Q3	730.8	19,307.2	97.0	6.6	60.4	190.8	543.4	43.7	89.3	218.5	51.5	88.9	425.2	21,853.4
Oct	159.4	4,343.6	31.3	0.6	21.9	63.9	142.5	9.8	33.5	69.4	26.5	18.5	109.7	5,030.5
Nov	170.0	5,799.1	30.4	1.4	17.2	76.0	170.7	18.5	24.5	91.6	25.5	170.2	109.7	6,704.9
Dec	161.3	6,565.1	18.8	1.3	12.7	81.4	98.1	15.0	13.9	73.4	22.2	20.0	121.6	7,204.7
Q4	490.7	16,707.8	80.5	3.3	51.7	221.2	411.3	43.3	72.0	234.4	74.2	208.7	341.0	18,940.0
Total_2021	1,223.3	74,129.5	387.7	15.7	241.9	876.0	1,930.8	161.0	356.4	808.5	216.6	458.2	1,457.0	82,262.5
Jan_2022	200.7	7,702.8	35.8	2.1	24.3	106.0	94.5	3.8	21.9	68.5	16.1	22.3	146.3	8,445.3
Feb	208.7	8,060.0	19.2	1.5	17.4	106.0	181.0	8.4	24.5	59.8	17.5	39.4	97.0	8,840.4
Mar	244.0	7,525.8	47.2	1.6	20.6	105.9	296.3	15.4	24.9	76.9	20.8	34.7	130.2	8,544.5
Q1	653.5	23,288.6	102.2	5.1	62.3	318.0	571.9	27.6	71.3	205.2	54.4	96.4	373.5	25,830.1
Apr	367.3	5,586.4	31.0	0.2	21.9	88.0	211.5	12.3	26.4	42.1	23.1	51.1	124.7	6,586.2
May	314.1	7,882.7	0.0	5.4	22.7	133.9	238.5	19.4	29.6	75.2	33.3	34.1	242.6	9,031.5
Jun	257.9	9,261.0	43.8	1.5	26.9	137.1	237.4	22.2	36.6	93.2	25.5	57.9	201.4	10,402.5
Q2	939.4	22,730.1	74.8	7.1	71.5	358.9	687.4	54.0	92.7	210.5	82.0	143.2	568.7	26,020.2
Jul	414.9	8,819.4	35.5	1.3	23.8	97.4	235.7	14.2	32.3	72.6	23.9	33.7	241.7	10,046.5
Aug	437.0	9,548.4	30.1	1.9	18.7	81.1	204.4	8.2	26.7	124.8	30.9	51.1	195.2	10,758.4
%Contribution														
2020	0.6	88.2	1.2	0.0	0.3	0.9	3.3	0.5	0.6	1.5	0.3	0.6	2.0	100.0
2021	1.5	90.1	0.5	0.0	0.3	1.1	2.3	0.2	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.6	1.8	100.0
July	4.1	87.8	0.4	0.0	0.2	1.0	2.3	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.2	0.3	2.4	100.0
August	4.1	88.8	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.8	1.9	0.1	0.2	1.2	0.3	0.5	1.8	100.0

Table 2.3: Diamonds Trade – January 2020 to August 2022 (Million Pula)

FlowType	IMPORTS						TOTAL EXPORTS					
Period \ HS	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan_2020	191.6	0.0	0.0	185.2	374.7	751.4	0.0	0.9	0.0	4,767.9	470.9	5,239.7
Feb	251.4	0.0	0.0	458.4	435.0	1,144.8	1.8	9.8	0.0	2,100.7	802.3	2,914.7
Mar	310.9	0.4	0.0	1,098.4	262.7	1,672.4	0.0	8.1	0.0	3,088.9	681.3	3,778.3
Q1	753.8	0.4	0.0	1,742.0	1,072.3	3,568.6	1.8	18.8	0.0	9,957.6	1,954.5	11,932.6
Apr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
May	0.0	0.0	0.0	900.2	73.9	974.1	0.0	0.8	0.0	2,453.7	477.0	2,931.6
Jun	267.1	1.2	0.0	2,731.8	426.6	3,426.7	0.0	0.7	0.0	264.9	377.7	643.3
Q2	267.1	1.2	0.0	3,632.1	500.4	4,400.8	0.0	1.6	0.0	2,718.6	854.7	3,574.9
Jul	236.0	0.0	0.0	388.1	318.3	942.4	0.0	3.0	0.0	1,336.6	648.8	1,988.4
Aug	53.1	0.0	0.0	1,562.4	118.9	1,734.4	0.0	1.9	0.0	2,160.5	442.1	2,604.5
Sep	0.0	12.0	0.0	3,655.1	181.4	3,848.5	0.0	5.6	0.0	6,417.1	874.9	7,297.6
Q3	289.1	12.0	0.0	5,605.6	618.7	6,525.3	0.0	10.4	0.0	9,914.2	1,965.8	11,890.4
Oct	658.4	5.3	0.0	2,717.4	164.0	3,545.1	0.1	13.7	0.0	4,940.0	463.6	5,417.3
Nov	0.0	0.1	0.0	1,948.2	306.7	2,255.0	0.0	9.4	0.0	4,325.4	667.5	5,002.3
Dec	319.7	5.4	0.0	2,361.9	88.8	2,775.8	0.0	8.3	0.0	5,010.7	468.0	5,486.9
Q4	978.1	10.8	0.0	7,027.5	559.5	8,575.9	0.1	31.3	0.0	14,276.1	1,599.1	15,906.5
Total_2020	2,288.2	24.5	0.0	18,007.1	2,750.9	23,070.6	1.8	62.2	0.0	36,866.4	6,374.1	43,304.5
Jan_2021	82.4	6.0	0.0	2,941.5	318.1	3,348.0	0.0	23.2	0.0	7,942.0	240.3	8,205.5
Feb	324.7	5.1	0.0	1,366.1	390.5	2,086.4	0.0	7.1	0.0	5,304.1	680.6	5,991.9
Mar	0.0	5.3	0.0	3,006.8	679.5	3,691.6	0.0	20.0	0.0	7,897.3	538.3	8,455.6
Q1	407.2	16.4	0.0	7,314.4	1,388.1	9,126.1	0.0	50.3	0.0	21,143.4	1,459.3	22,653.0
Apr	0.0	5.5	0.0	1,443.9	476.1	1,925.5	0.0	2.0	0.0	3,630.9	838.6	4,471.4
May	298.0	3.9	0.0	2,147.0	434.9	2,883.7	0.0	6.5	0.0	3,530.5	743.0	4,280.0
Jun	263.7	0.0	0.0	1,914.8	667.8	2,846.3	0.0	12.1	0.0	5,951.3	746.6	6,710.0
Q2	561.7	9.4	0.0	5,505.7	1,578.8	7,655.5	0.0	20.6	0.0	13,112.7	2,328.2	15,461.5
Jul	268.0	5.1	0.0	1,545.2	362.8	2,181.2	0.0	12.7	0.0	6,423.2	774.1	7,210.0
Aug	246.7	7.0	0.0	3,069.3	240.0	3,563.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	5,072.8	1,252.0	6,326.1
Sep	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,373.8	242.4	1,616.2	0.0	23.7	0.0	4,755.2	992.2	5,771.1
Q3	514.7	12.1	0.0	5,988.4	845.2	7,360.3	0.0	37.6	0.0	16,251.2	3,018.4	19,307.2
Oct	362.3	9.7	0.0	2,760.7	280.8	3,413.6	0.0	26.6	0.0	3,575.8	741.2	4,343.6
Nov	0.0	15.1	0.1	2,805.5	193.6	3,014.2	0.0	70.7	0.0	4,926.0	802.4	5,799.1
Dec	252.2	13.7	0.0	1,235.2	589.6	2,090.8	0.0	43.6	0.0	5,482.0	1,039.5	6,565.1
Q4	614.6	38.4	0.1	6,801.5	1,064.0	8,518.6	0.0	140.9	0.0	13,983.8	2,583.0	16,707.8
Total_2021	2,098.1	76.4	0.1	25,609.9	4,876.0	32,660.5	0.0	249.4	0.0	64,491.2	9,388.9	74,129.5
Jan_2022	0.0	11.8	0.0	1,922.0	291.4	2,225.2	0.0	8.2	0.0	6,726.8	967.7	7,702.8
Feb	0.0	18.6	0.0	2,756.0	521.1	3,295.7	0.0	53.2	0.0	6,729.9	1,276.9	8,060.0
Mar	512.4	14.4	0.0	2,526.8	658.7	3,712.3	0.0	28.3	0.0	5,919.0	1,578.5	7,525.8
Q1	512.4	44.8	0.0	7,204.8	1,471.3	9,233.3	0.0	89.8	0.0	19,375.8	3,823.1	23,288.6
Apr	0.0	0.0	0.0	851.9	822.8	1,674.8	0.0	29.1	0.0	4,311.7	1,245.5	5,586.4
May	0.0	295.3	0.0	1,619.3	828.0	2,742.7	0.0	20.7	0.0	6,034.3	1,827.7	7,882.7
Jun	374.7	1.6	0.0	183.0	568.9	1,128.2	0.0	41.0	0.0	7,577.3	1,642.7	9,261.0
Q2	374.8	296.9	0.0	2,654.3	2,219.7	5,545.6	0.0	90.8	0.0	17,923.4	4,715.9	22,730.1
Jul	371.6	0.0	0.0	239.7	901.6	1,512.8	0.0	44.3	0.0	7,382.3	1,392.8	8,819.4
Aug	323.3	0.4	0.0	154.5	358.5	836.7	0.0	62.0	0.0	7,572.3	1,914.2	9,548.4

Note: 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; 71021000: Unsorted diamonds; HS: Harmonised System Code; NES: Not Elsewhere Specified

Table 3.1A: Total Imports by Country, Region and Principal Import Commodity Groups –August 2022 (Million Pula)

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Distribution
South Africa	579.8	8.5	950.3	1,310.4	61.5	630.5	313.2	65.9	166.4	379.1	153.7	214.6	4,834.0	69.8
Namibia	0.0	20.6	20.6	376.4	0.0	0.5	1.6	12.1	0.0	1.4	0.1	0.0	433.4	6.3
Eswatini	0.1	0.0	11.2	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	12.8	0.2
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0
SACU	579.9	29.2	982.2	1,686.8	61.5	631.8	314.8	78.0	167.9	380.5	154.5	214.6	5,281.7	76.3
Zambia	1.7	0.0	9.3	0.0	0.0	0.2	28.5	0.0	0.5	0.9	0.0	2.6	43.9	0.6
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	1.2	42.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	43.5	0.6
Other SADC	2.5	0.0	12.7	0.1	0.1	2.9	3.2	0.0	0.8	0.1	6.0	3.2	31.8	0.5
SADC	584.2	29.2	1,005.4	1,729.2	61.6	634.9	346.6	78.1	169.2	381.5	160.5	220.5	5,401.0	78.0
Other Africa	1.9	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.2	3.9	0.1
Africa	586.0	29.2	1,005.5	1,729.2	61.7	636.4	346.6	78.1	169.3	381.8	160.5	220.7	5,404.9	78.0
China	18.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	8.3	102.2	13.6	0.4	32.8	8.7	6.9	49.9	241.2	3.5
India	13.1	89.7	0.2	0.0	0.3	22.3	8.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.1	6.1	140.4	2.0
UAE	0.5	23.0	0.1	1.5	0.0	11.3	0.1	0.0	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.5	40.2	0.6
Japan	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	2.5	32.2	0.0	0.5	38.9	0.6
Other Asia	15.6	19.4	3.9	0.0	0.1	35.7	1.9	0.0	2.6	6.5	7.1	4.5	97.3	1.4
Asia	49.9	132.1	4.5	1.5	8.7	172.8	23.8	0.4	39.8	48.9	14.1	61.6	558.0	8.1
Belgium	4.2	105.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	110.5	1.6
Germany	14.2	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.6	12.7	0.1	0.0	2.6	0.5	2.3	2.4	36.1	0.5
Other EU	57.2	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	68.6	1.1	0.0	1.8	6.2	0.1	5.1	143.4	2.1
EU	75.6	105.5	4.1	0.0	0.6	81.8	1.2	0.0	4.3	6.6	2.4	7.8	290.0	4.2
Canada	0.5	322.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	323.5	4.7
USA	6.2	171.8	0.5	0.0	0.0	7.2	0.3	0.0	0.6	3.9	1.1	4.3	195.8	2.8
UK	2.1	56.6	0.8	0.0	0.0	22.4	0.2	0.1	0.2	1.1	3.2	2.0	88.6	1.3
Rest of World	3.7	19.0	17.2	0.0	0.0	17.1	5.9	0.0	0.4	1.0	0.1	1.1	65.5	0.9
Total World	723.9	836.7	1,032.6	1,730.7	70.9	937.8	378.0	78.5	214.6	443.5	181.4	297.5	6,926.3	100.0

Table 3.1B: Principal Imports Commodity Groups as a percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level – August 2022

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Soft Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	12.0	0.2	19.7	27.1	1.3	13.0	6.5	1.4	3.4	7.8	3.2	4.4	100.0
Namibia	0.0	4.8	4.8	86.8	0.0	0.1	0.4	2.8	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	100.0
Eswatini	1.0	0.0	87.7	0.0	0.0	6.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	5.0	0.0	100.0
Lesotho	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.6	0.0	97.7	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
SACU	11.0	0.6	18.6	31.9	1.2	12.0	6.0	1.5	3.2	7.2	2.9	4.1	100.0
Zambia	4.0	0.0	21.3	0.0	0.1	0.4	65.0	0.0	1.2	2.1	0.0	6.0	100.0
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	2.7	97.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Other SADC	7.9	0.0	39.8	0.4	0.4	9.2	10.2	0.1	2.5	0.2	18.9	10.2	100.0
SADC	10.8	0.5	18.6	32.0	1.1	11.8	6.4	1.4	3.1	7.1	3.0	4.1	100.0
Other Africa	47.1	0.0	2.3	0.0	0.4	36.1	0.1	0.0	1.4	7.0	0.2	5.4	100.0
Africa	10.8	0.5	18.6	32.0	1.1	11.8	6.4	1.4	3.1	7.1	3.0	4.1	100.0
China	7.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	3.4	42.4	5.6	0.2	13.6	3.6	2.8	20.7	100.0
India	9.3	63.9	0.2	0.0	0.2	15.9	5.8	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	4.4	100.0
UAE	1.3	57.3	0.4	3.7	0.1	28.2	0.3	0.0	3.8	3.7	0.1	1.3	100.0
Japan	6.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	3.2	0.0	0.0	6.3	82.9	0.0	1.2	100.0
Other Asia	16.0	19.9	4.0	0.0	0.1	36.7	2.0	0.0	2.7	6.7	7.3	4.6	100.0
Asia	8.9	23.7	0.8	0.3	1.6	31.0	4.3	0.1	7.1	8.8	2.5	11.0	100.0
Belgium	3.8	95.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0
Germany	39.3	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.6	35.3	0.4	0.0	7.2	1.4	6.4	6.6	100.0
Other EU	39.9	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	47.8	0.8	0.0	1.2	4.3	0.1	3.6	100.0
EU	26.1	36.4	1.4	0.0	0.2	28.2	0.4	0.0	1.5	2.3	0.8	2.7	100.0
Canada	0.2	99.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
USA	3.1	87.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	3.7	0.1	0.0	0.3	2.0	0.6	2.2	100.0
UK	2.4	63.8	0.9	0.0	0.0	25.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	1.2	3.6	2.2	100.0
Rest of World	5.6	29.0	26.3	0.0	0.1	26.1	9.0	0.0	0.7	1.5	0.2	1.6	100.0
Total World	10.5	12.1	14.9	25.0	1.0	13.5	5.5	1.1	3.1	6.4	2.6	4.3	100.0

Table 3.2A: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Import Commodity Groups –August 2022 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Distribution
South Africa	0.1	315.1	30.1	0.0	16.6	81.1	169.5	7.4	19.8	79.8	23.2	14.9	121.1	878.6	8.2
Namibia	0.0	156.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.2	0.1	1.5	0.0	0.0	11.3	34.3	209.8	2.0
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
SACU	0.1	471.5	30.1	0.0	16.7	81.1	175.7	7.5	21.2	79.8	23.2	26.2	155.5	1,088.6	10.1
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	9.8	0.0	1.2	32.1	7.2	5.8	17.8	74.4	0.7
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	0.0	1.1	11.7	0.2	3.2	2.3	21.8	0.2
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.7	2.7	1.3	0.2	14.8	12.6	37.6	0.3
SADC	0.1	471.5	30.1	0.0	17.1	81.1	194.1	8.2	26.3	124.8	30.8	49.9	188.3	1,222.4	11.4
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.0
Africa	0.1	471.5	30.1	0.6	17.1	81.1	194.1	8.2	26.3	124.8	30.8	50.0	188.4	1,223.2	11.4
UAE	0.0	3,320.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.9	3,322.7	30.9
India	0.0	1,741.4	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	1,745.1	16.2
Israel	0.0	758.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	758.1	7.0
Hong Kong	0.0	612.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	612.8	5.7
Singapore	0.0	484.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	484.2	4.5
China	364.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	366.9	3.4
Other Asia	0.0	160.7	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	162.6	1.5
Asia	364.3	7,077.4	0.0	1.3	1.1	0.0	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	5.3	7,452.4	69.3
Belgium	0.0	1,851.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,858.4	17.3
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.3	0.0
EU	0.0	1,851.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.9	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	1,859.7	17.3
USA	0.0	141.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	142.3	1.3
Anguilla	72.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	72.6	0.7
Rest of World	0.0	7.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	8.2	0.1
Total World	437.0	9,548.4	30.1	1.9	18.7	81.1	204.4	8.2	26.7	124.8	30.9	51.1	195.2	10,758.4	100.0

Table 3.2B: Principal Export Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level –August 2022

Period \ HS	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	0.0	35.9	3.4	0.0	1.9	9.2	19.3	0.8	2.2	9.1	2.6	1.7	13.8	100.0
Namibia	0.0	74.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	5.4	16.3	100.0
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	99.7	100.0
SACU	0.0	43.3	2.8	0.0	1.5	7.5	16.1	0.7	2.0	7.3	2.1	2.4	14.3	100.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	13.2	0.0	1.7	43.1	9.7	7.8	24.0	100.0
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	15.5	0.0	5.0	53.6	0.8	14.5	10.7	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.1	1.9	7.2	3.4	0.6	39.2	33.5	100.0
SADC	0.0	38.6	2.5	0.0	1.4	6.6	15.9	0.7	2.1	10.2	2.5	4.1	15.4	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	71.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	11.0	17.8	100.0
Africa	0.0	38.5	2.5	0.0	1.4	6.6	15.9	0.7	2.1	10.2	2.5	4.1	15.4	100.0
UAE	0.0	99.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
India	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	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	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	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	0.0	100.0
China	99.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0
Other Asia	0.0	98.8	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	100.0
Asia	4.9	95.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Belgium	0.0	99.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	37.1	0.0	29.6	0.0	3.2	0.0	29.9	100.0
EU	0.0	99.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	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	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	100.0
Anguilla	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Rest of World	0.0	89.2	0.0	0.0	4.9	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	3.6	1.1	100.0
Total World	4.1	88.8	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.8	1.9	0.1	0.2	1.2	0.3	0.5	1.8	100.0

Table 4.1 A: Top 100 Imported Goods – August 2022 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	Value (BWP)	Contribution(%)
1	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1 (g)	979.2	14.1
2	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1 (b)	594.4	8.6
3	71023900	Other Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:	358.5	5.2
4	71021000	Unsorted diamonds	323.3	4.7
5	71023100	Non- Industrial Diamonds, Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	154.5	2.2
6	87032390	Other Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02), including station wagons and racing cars:	105.2	1.5
7	84314990	Other Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 8 4.25 to 84.30:	91.1	1.3
8	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	77.6	1.1
9	25232900	Other Portland cement	70.1	1.0
10	87089990	Other Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05:	59.6	0.9
11	10059010	Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption, not further prepared or processed and not packaged as seeds (excluding pop corn (ZEA MAYS EVERTA))	57.2	0.8
12	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	57.2	0.8
13	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	49.5	0.7
14	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the process of cooking food	40.7	0.6
15	85171310	Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	39.3	0.6
16	27160000	Electrical energy	38.1	0.6
17	30039090	Other - Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale	36.5	0.5
18	87042181	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 000 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg, or of a mass not exceeding 1 600 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg per chassis fitted with a cab	35.7	0.5
19	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	32.9	0.5
20	17011400	Other cane sugar	32.4	0.5
21	84749000	Parts of Mixing or kneading machines	31.5	0.5
22	34029000	Other (surface-active preparations, washing preparations (including auxiliary washing preparations) and cleaning preparations, whether or not containing soap, other than those of heading 34.01)	31.0	0.4
23	90229000	Other, including parts and accessories	30.4	0.4
24	31023000	Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	30.1	0.4
25	85444990	Other electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1 000 V:	29.8	0.4
26	84715000	Processing units (excluding those of subheading 8471.41 or 8471.49), whether or not containing in the same housing one or two of the following types of units: storage units, input units, output units	29.0	0.4
27	84314300	PARTS FOR BORING OR SINKING MACHINERY OF SUBHEADING 8430.41 OR 8430.49	28.7	0.4
28	34012000	Soap in other forms	28.3	0.4
29	44071100	Coniferous Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or finger-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm, Of pine (Pinus spp.)	28.1	0.4
30	33049990	Other Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin (other than medicaments), including sunscreen or sun tan preparations	28.0	0.4
31	17019900	Other Cane or beet sugar and chemically pure sucrose, in solid form Containing added flavouring or colouring matter	27.9	0.4
32	42034000	Other clothing accessories	26.6	0.4
33	87043190	Other (excluding double -cab) of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2000kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3500kg	24.8	0.4
34	74081100	Copper wire of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	24.5	0.4
35	27111390	Other Butanes, Liquefied	24.3	0.4
36	19023000	Other pasta	23.7	0.3
37	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	23.3	0.3
38	09109900	Other spices	22.9	0.3
39	84713090	Other portable automatic data processing machines, of a mass not exceeding 10 kg, consisting of at least a central processing unit, a keyboard and a display	22.5	0.3
40	87033390	Other vehicles,Of a cylinder capacity exceeding 2 500 cm³:	21.9	0.3
41	39269090	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	21.9	0.3
42	64059090	Other footwear	21.2	0.3
43	27101252	Other prepared lubricating oils	20.7	0.3
44	22060081	Other fermented apple or pear beverages, unfortified, with an alcoholic strength of at least 2.5 per cent by volume but not exceeding 15 per cent by volume, With an alcohol content exceeding 5 per cent	19.4	0.3
45	87043181	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 000 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg, or of a mass not exceeding 1 600 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg per chasis fitted with a cab	18.8	0.3
46	10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	17.7	0.3
47	17049000	Other Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	17.6	0.3
48	85176290	Other machines for the reception,conversion and transmission of voice, images or other data	17.3	0.3
49	38221900	Other Diagnostic or laboratory reagents on a backing, prepared diagnostic or laboratory reagents whether or not on a backing (excluding those of heading 30.02 or 30.06); certified reference materials	17.3	0.2
50	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	16.9	0.2

Table 4.1 A.: Top 100 Imported Goods – August 2022 (Million Pula); Continued

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	Value (BWP)	Contribution(%)
51	87012920	Other Road tractors for semi-trailers of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	16.8	0.2
52	23040000	Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soya-bean oil	16.7	0.2
53	90189000	Other instruments and appliances	16.5	0.2
54	27101201	Aviation spirit, as defined in Additional Note 1 (a)	16.3	0.2
55	48181000	Toilet paper	15.8	0.2
56	69074000	Finishing ceramics	15.8	0.2
57	84742000	Crushing or grinding machines	15.6	0.2
58	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	15.4	0.2
59	68129100	Clothing, clothing accessories, footwear and headgear	15.4	0.2
60	40118020	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber, of a kind used on construction, mining or industrial handling vehicles and machines, having a rim size of 91 cm or more	15.2	0.2
61	19053100	Sweet biscuits	14.3	0.2
62	84741000	Sorting, screening, separating or washing machines	13.3	0.2
63	85447000	Optical fibre cables	13.2	0.2
64	76101000	Doors, windows and their frames and thresholds for doors	13.1	0.2
65	85043300	Having a power handling capacity exceeding 16 kVA but not exceeding 500 kVA	12.9	0.2
66	04032000	Yoghurt	12.9	0.2
67	19049090	Other (cereals (other than maize (corn), in grain form or in the form of flakes or other worked grains (except flour, groats and meal), pre-cooked or otherwise prepared, not elsewhere specified or included)	12.7	0.2
68	84082000	Engines of a kind used for the propulsion of vehicles of chapter 87	12.4	0.2
69	72022900	Other ferro-silico Containing by weight. more than 55 per cent of silicon	12.1	0.2
70	38249999	Other mixtures	11.8	0.2
71	04012009	Other milk, whether or not containing added minerals, vitamins, enzymes and similar additives solely for the purpose of increasing the nutritional value and provided these additives do not exceed 1 per cent by volume of the final product	11.7	0.2
72	84439100	Parts and accessories of printing machinery used for printing by means of plates, cylinders and other printing components of heading 84.42	11.7	0.2
73	04011090	Other (milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1 per cent)	11.6	0.2
74	85369090	Other apparatus connectors ; switch cover plates	11.6	0.2
75	40112026	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber, of a kind used on buses or lorries, having a load index not exceeding 121, having a rim size exceeding 51 cm (20 inches)	11.5	0.2
76	73269090	Other articles of iron or steel	11.2	0.2
77	62171090	Other clothing accessories	11.1	0.2
78	20098950	Other fruit juices	11.1	0.2
79	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	11.0	0.2
80	85287290	Other not designed to incorporate a video display or screen	11.0	0.2
81	87164000	Other trailers and semi-trailers	10.7	0.2
82	27101207	Aviation kerosene, as defined in Additional Note 1 (d)	10.5	0.2
83	31029000	Other, including mixtures not specified in the foregoing subheadings	10.4	0.1
84	87042290	Other G.V.M. exceeding 5 tonnes but not exceeding 20 tonnes	10.3	0.1
85	96190015	Napkins for babies and similar articles of plastics or of other materials of headings 39.01 to 39.14	10.3	0.1
86	84139100	Parts: Of pumps	10.3	0.1
87	23099092	Other Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	10.2	0.1
88	94035000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom	10.0	0.1
89	85072000	Other lead-acid accumulators	9.8	0.1
90	19011000	Preparations suitable for infants or young children, put up for retail sale	9.7	0.1
91	22029920	Non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09), In sealed containers holding 2.5 li or less (excluding those in collapsible plastic tubes and those with a basis of milk)	9.6	0.1
92	61099000	T-shirts, singlets and other vests, knitted or crocheted, Of other textile materials	9.6	0.1
93	22030005	Traditional African Beer as defined in additional note 1 to Chapter 22	9.6	0.1
94	85043200	Having a power handling capacity exceeding 1 kVA but not exceeding 16 kVA	9.5	0.1
95	87012120	Road tractors for semi-trailers of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	9.5	0.1
96	84295190	Other front-end shovel loaders	9.5	0.1
97	19041000	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal products	9.4	0.1
98	87084070	Other parts of gear boxes	9.4	0.1
99	22060019	Other fermented beverages or non-malted cereal grains, unfortified, with an alcoholic strength of at least 2.5 per cent by volume but not exceeding 9 per cent by vol, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	9.2	0.1
100	39241000	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics	9.1	0.1
Top 100 Imported			4,557.5	65.8
Other Imported			2,368.8	34.2
Total			6,926.3	100.0

Table 4.1 B: Top 50 Exported Goods- August 2022 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	Value (BWP)	Contribution(%)
1	71023100	Non- Industrial Diamonds, Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	7,572.3	70.4
2	71023900	Other Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:	1,914.2	17.8
3	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	437.0	4.1
4	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	78.2	0.7
5	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	68.0	0.6
6	28362000	Disodium carbonate	65.8	0.6
7	71022100	Industrial Diamonds,Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	62.0	0.6
8	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	57.1	0.5
9	27011900	Other coal	47.7	0.4
10	71081200	Other unwrought forms of Gold	30.1	0.3
11	85444290	Other electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1 000 V:	27.0	0.3
12	7082000	Beans (VIGNA SPP., PHASEOLUS SPP.), shelled or unshelled, fresh or chilled	19.1	0.2
13	84304100	Other moving, grading, levelling, strapping, excavating, tamping, compacting, extracting or boring machinery, self-propelled	18.6	0.2
14	27011200	Bituminous coal	15.6	0.1
15	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton	14.2	0.1
16	12060000	Sunflower seeds, whether or not broken	13.5	0.1
17	88021100	Helicopters of an unladen mass not exceeding 2 000 kg	13.4	0.1
18	01022900	Other (cattle)	13.2	0.1
19	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	13.1	0.1
20	07133190	Other (Beans of the species Vigna mungo (L.) Hepper or Vigna radiata (L.) Wilczek)	9.1	0.1
21	84213290	Other catalytic converters or particulate filters, whether or not combined	7.4	0.1
22	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02)	7.2	0.1
23	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	6.6	0.1
24	84314960	Radiators	6.5	0.1
25	84304900	Other boring or sinking machinery	5.9	0.1
26	78020000	Lead waste and scrap	4.7	0.0
27	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	4.7	0.0
28	85071099	Other lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines	4.7	0.0
29	84291900	Other self propelled bulldozers and angle dozers	4.6	0.0
30	85284910	Colour, with a screen size not exceeding 3 m x 4 m	4.5	0.0
31	87089990	Other Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05:	4.3	0.0
32	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	4.2	0.0
33	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	4.1	0.0
34	23021000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of maize (corn)	4.0	0.0
35	11042310	Chopped dried kernels, of maize(corn) not further prepared or processed	3.9	0.0
36	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	3.7	0.0
37	23023000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of wheat	3.7	0.0
38	72042900	Other ferrous waste and scrap; remelting scrap ingots of iron or steel:	3.4	0.0
39	02011000	Carcasses and half-carcasses (meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled)	3.3	0.0
40	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	3.2	0.0
41	88023000	Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen mass exceeding 2 000 kg but not exceeding 15 000 kg	3.2	0.0
42	84253990	Other powered by electric motor	3.0	0.0
43	87042290	Other shuttle cars for use in underground mines; low construction flame-proof vehicles, equipped with control mechanisms both in the front and at the rear, for use in underground mines	2.8	0.0
44	58081000	Braids in the piece	2.8	0.0
45	63053990	Other Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods	2.8	0.0
46	87042110	Shuttle cars for use in underground mines; low construction flame-proof vehicles, equipped with control mechanisms both in the front and at the rear, for use in underground mines	2.7	0.0
47	63059010	Other Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods, Of other textile materials, Knitted or crocheted	2.6	0.0
48	39232990	Other sacks and bags (including cones):	2.4	0.0
49	39235090	Other Stoppers, lids caps and other closures	2.4	0.0
50	84424000	Parts of the foregoing machinery, apparatus or equipment	2.4	0.0
Top 50 Exported			10,610.6	98.6
Other Exported			147.7	1.4
Total			10,758.4	100.0

7.0 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.

7.1 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.

7.2 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.

7.3 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.



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