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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, by entering (imports) or leaving (exports) its economic territory. Therefore, trade statistics remains 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) during July 2021. 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 July 2021 are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. **Table 4.1A** presents statistics on commodities that were mostly imported during July 2021, 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.

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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 July 2021.

Imports were valued at P7, 232.0 million during the month of July 2021, reflecting a decline of 6.6 percent from the revised June 2021 value of P7, 739.1 million. Total exports during the same month amounted to P7, 605.2 million, showing an increase of 6.1 percent over the revised June 2021 value of P7, 170.4 million.

The leading Import commodity groups were Diamonds; Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco; and Machinery & Electrical Equipment; with contributions of 29.1 percent, 21.8 percent, 11.6 percent and 10.7 percent respectively. During the month under review, Diamonds, Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Salt & Soda Ash contributed 91.2 percent, 2.2 percent and 1.3 percent to total exports, respectively.

In July 2021, imports from **SACU** contributed 62.7 percent to total imports, while those from the **EU** and Asia accounted for 18.9 percent and 11.4 percent, respectively. Imports from South Africa accounted for 60.1 percent of total imports. Belgium, India and the **UAE** provided imports representing 17.2 percent, 4.7 percent and 2.5 percent, respectively.

During the current month, exports destined to Asia, the **EU** and **SACU** accounted for 65.2 percent, 21.6 percent and 10.4 percent of the monthly total, respectively. The **UAE**, Belgium and India received exports representing 26.3 percent, 21.5 percent and 18.7 percent of the monthly total, respectively. South Africa received 9.8 percent while Israel and Hong Kong each received, 6.3 percent of total exports.

Air transport accounted for 92.0 percent of total exports during the reference period, while exports by Road and Rail transport represented 7.8 percent and 0.2 percent respectively. Imports by Road accounted for 63.5 percent whereas those entering the country by Rail and Air represented 22.7 percent and 13.8 percent, respectively.

1.0 Total Trade

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance. Discussions are based on July 2021, which is also referred to as the reference period, the period under review or the current month, throughout the digest.

1.1 Data Revision

Statistics for previous monthly digests contain preliminary figures which are subsequently revised 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.

Transactions for May and June 2021 had late customs duty assessments which were concluded in July 2021. **Table A** shows revised data for the affected months, comparing figures as at the June 2021 Digest and the current.

Imports for June 2021 were revised up by 1.4 percent (P103.5 million) and Total Exports by 2.1 percent (P146.2 million), with only slight revisions for May.

Table A: Data Revision: May to June 2021 (Million Pula)

Period/ Indicators	As at June 2021 Digest			As at July 2021 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
May	7,781.4	4,899.7	(2,881.7)	7,813.9	4,906.9	(2,907.1)	32.5	7.1	(25.3)	0.4	0.1	0.9
June	7,635.6	7,024.2	(611.4)	7,739.1	7,170.4	(568.7)	103.5	146.2	42.7	1.4	2.1	(7.0)

1.2 Imports

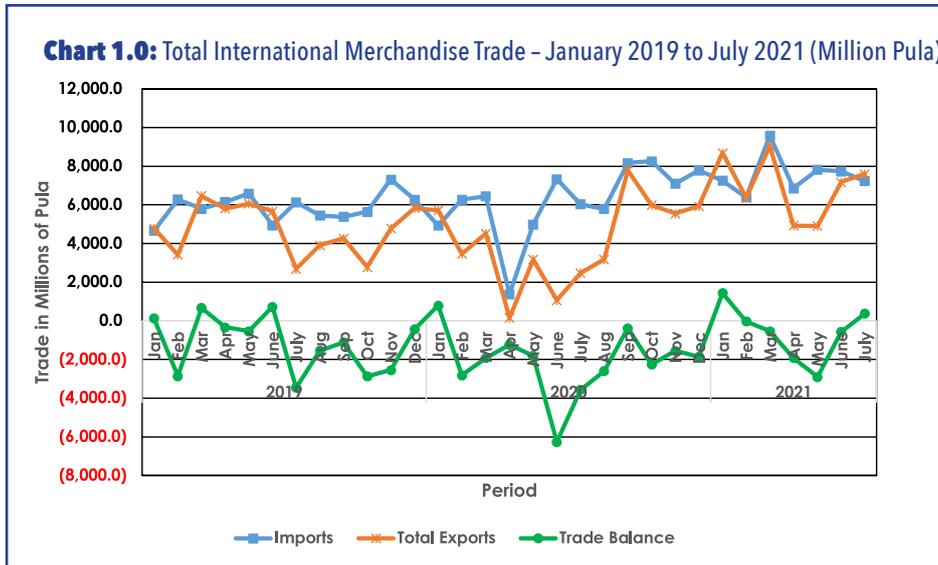
Imports are valued at Cost, Insurance & Freight (CIF), which includes the cost of the commodity, insurance and freight charges, but excludes customs or any other duties paid on arrival. In July 2021, imports were valued at P7, 232.0 million, 6.6 percent (P507.1 million) below the June 2021 revised figure of P7, 739.1 million. A decrease of 26.1 percent (P741.7 million) in Diamonds imports had a substantial effect on the overall decrease in total imports value. All other commodity groups registered declines during the period, with the exception of Fuel, registering an increase of 83.4 percent (P717.7 million), which stabilised the decrease in total imports.

1.3 Total Exports

The July 2021 total export value went up by 6.1 percent (P434.8 million) from the revised June 2021 figure of P7, 170.4 million to P7, 605.2 million. The rise is attributed largely to the increase in the exportation of Diamonds, which rose by 6.0 percent (P389.6 million) from the revised value of P6, 546.8 million for June 2021 to P6, 936.3 million during the reporting period.

1.4 Trade Balance

A trade surplus of P373.2 million was recorded in July 2021. This follows a revised trade deficit of P568.7 million for June 2021. **Chart 1.0** displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2019 to July 2021.



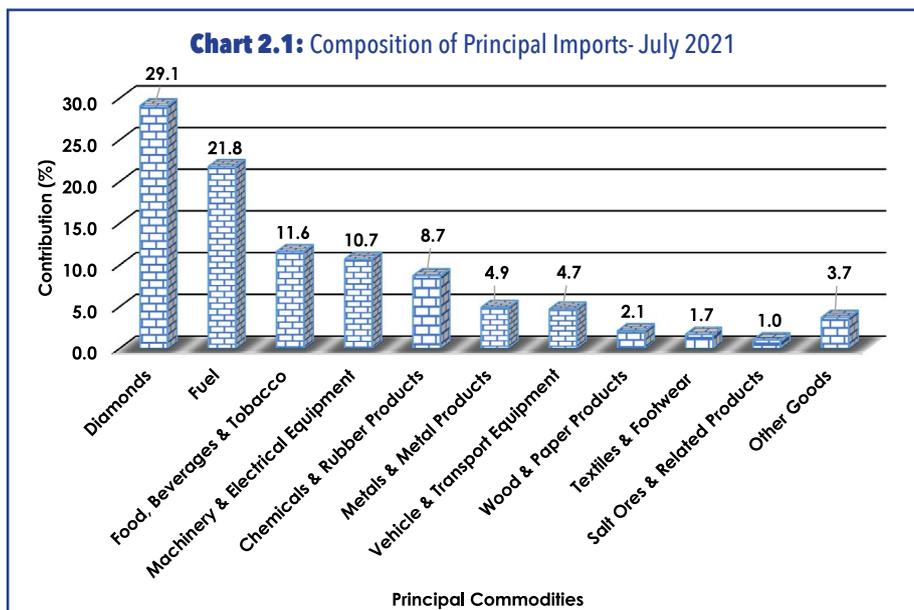
2.0 Trade by Principal Commodity Groups

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

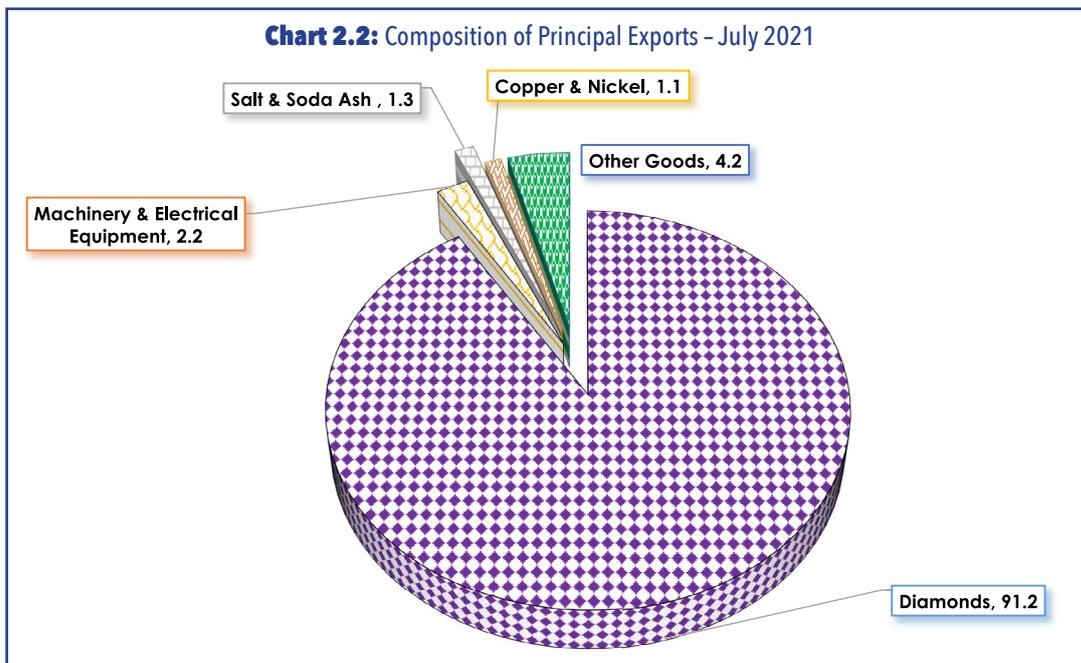
During July 2021, Botswana received imports valued at P7, 232.0 million. Diamonds contributed 29.1 percent (P2, 104.6 million) to total imports. Fuel and Food, Beverages & Tobacco followed with contributions of 21.8 percent (P1, 577.7 million) and 11.6 percent (P838.4 million) respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment, contributed 10.7 percent (P776.7 million). Contributions made by other commodity groups are illustrated in **Table 2.1** and **Chart 2.1**.



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

2.2 Principal Exports

Botswana's total exports were valued at P7, 605.2 million in July 2021. The Diamonds group accounted for 91.2 percent (P6, 936.3 million), followed by Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Salt & Soda Ash with 2.2 percent (P169.7 million) and 1.3 percent (P100.9 million) respectively. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in [Table 2.2](#) and [Chart 2.2](#).



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 her major trading partners. Thus 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 July 2021 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

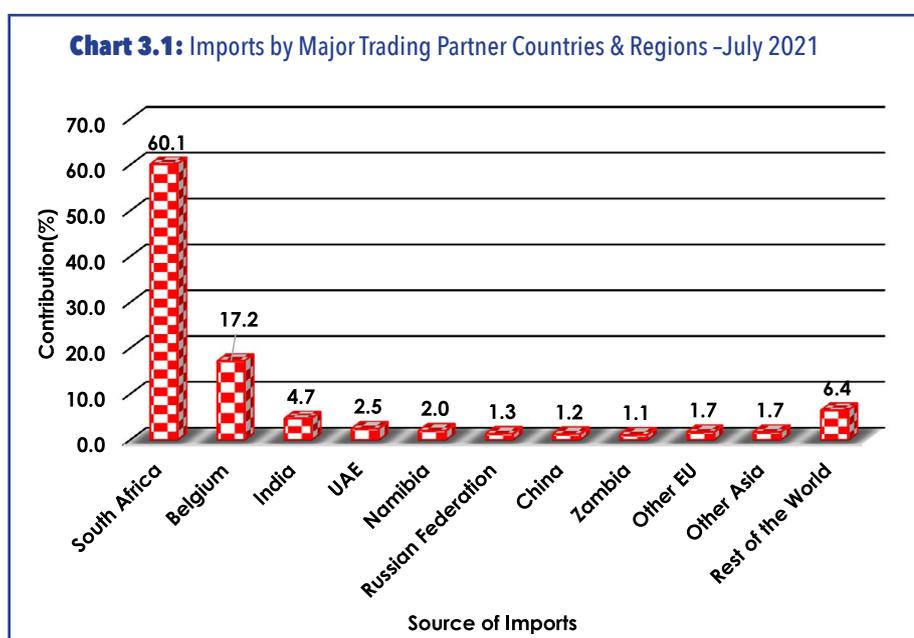
Botswana imported P7, 232.0 million worth of goods from across the globe. The SACU region contributed 62.7 percent (P4, 534.4 million) to total imports during the reference period. The top most imported commodity groups from the **SACU** region were Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco; and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with contributions of 33.3 percent (P1, 510.5 million), 17.4 percent (P789.4 million) and 12.7 percent (P576.7 million) to total imports from the region, respectively (refer to [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#)).

South Africa contributed 60.1 percent (P4, 349.7 million) to total imports during July 2021. Fuel accounted for 32.1 percent (P1, 394.6 million) of imports from that country. Food, Beverages & Tobacco made a contribution of 17.7 percent (P772.0 million) to imports from South Africa. Namibia contributed 2.0 percent (P141.1 million) to the overall imports during the period under review. Fuel was the main commodity imported from that country at 82.1 percent (P115.8 million).

The **EU** supplied imports amounting to P1, 366.3 million, accounting for 18.9 percent of total imports. The major commodity group imported from the **EU** was Diamonds, at 90.5 percent (P1, 237.2 million) of all imports from the union. Belgium was the major source of imports from the **EU**, having supplied 17.2 percent (P1, 241.6 million) of total imports during the period under review (**Table 3.1 A**).

Imports from Asia were valued at P822.0 million, representing 11.4 percent of July 2021 total imports. The major commodity group imported from the regional block were Diamonds, with a contribution of 70.5 percent (P579.6 million) to total imports from the region (**Tables 3.1A & 3.1B**). India and the **UAE**, were the main sources of imports from Asia, having supplied 4.7 percent (P337.2 million) and 2.5 percent (P178.1 million) of total imports, respectively (**Table 3.1 A**).

Graphical presentation of sources of imports during July 2021 can be viewed on **Chart 3.1**.



'Rest of the World' includes all other Countries or Regions not specified as in Table 3.1

3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Asia was the main destination for Botswana exports, having received 65.2 percent (P4, 961.3 million) of total exports during July 2021. These exports mostly went to the **UAE** and India, having received 26.3 percent (P1, 998.7 million) and 18.7 percent (P1, 422.5 million) of total exports, respectively. The top most exported commodity to the regional block was Diamonds as shown by **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

During the month under review, exports destined to the EU amounted to P1, 640.1 million, accounting for 21.6 percent of total exports. Belgium received almost all of the exports destined to the regional union, acquiring 21.5 percent (P1, 633.7 million) of total exports during the reporting period. The Diamonds group was the main commodity group exported to the **EU** (**Table 3.2A** and **Table 2.2B**).

The SACU region received exports valued at P790.7 million, representing 10.4 percent of total exports. Diamonds and Salt & Soda Ash commodity groups accounted for 37.8 percent (P298.6 million) and 6.2 percent (P48.7 million) of total exports to the customs union (**Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**). South Africa received 9.8 percent (P745.0 million) of total exports during the month under review (**Table 3.2A**). The Diamonds group contributed 39.9 percent (P297.4 million) to all goods destined for the country.



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

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

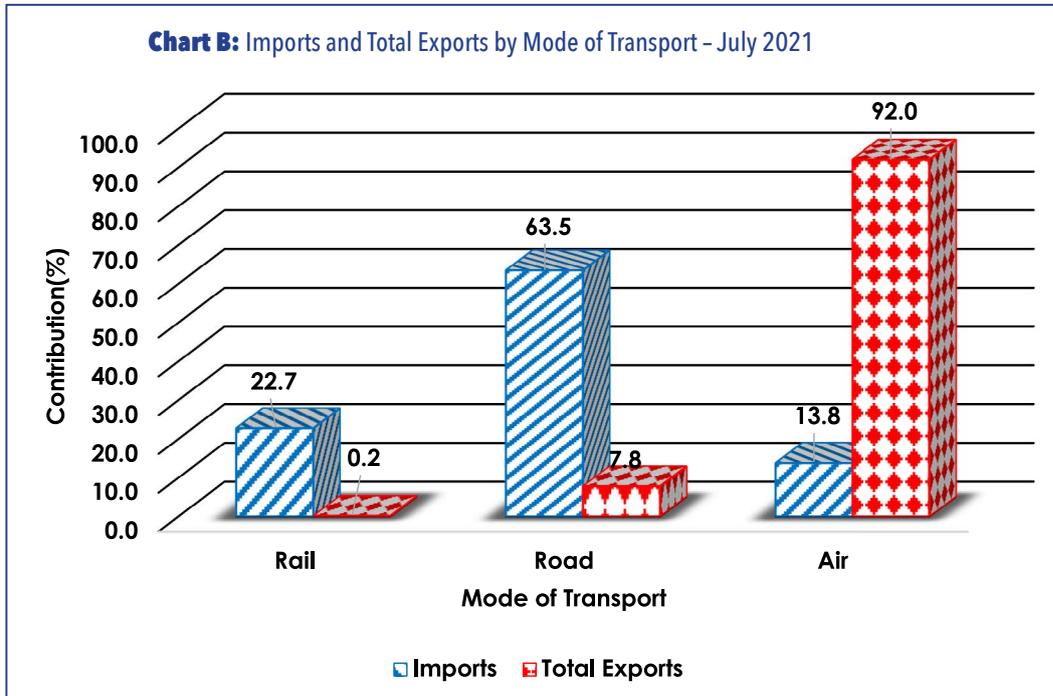
For the purposes of compilation of International Merchandise Trade Statistics, mode of transport refers to the method of transport used for the carriage of goods in and out of the country. These statistics are predominantly collected to be used as guidance in formulating transport policy and monitoring 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 the graphical illustration.

During the reference period, imports representing 63.5 percent (P4, 590.4 million) were transported into the country by Road. Transportation of imports by Rail and Air accounted for 22.7 percent (P1, 645.2 million) and 13.8 percent (P996.2 million) respectively.

Goods exported by Air during the month amounted to P6, 999.2 million, accounting for 92.0 percent of total exports, while those leaving the country by Road were valued at P594.2 million (7.8 percent).

Table B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport - July 2021 (Million Pula)

Mode of Transport	Imports	%	Exports	%
Rail	1,645.2	22.7	11.7	0.2
Road	4,590.6	63.5	594.3	7.8
Air	996.2	13.8	6,999.2	92.0
Total	7,232.0	100.0	7,605.2	100.0



6.0 Annexure

Table 1.0: Total Merchandise Trade – January 2019 to July 2021 (Million Pula)

Period \ Indicators	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan_2019	4,662.1	4,437.4	223.4	1.3	4,789.1	0.0	4,789.1	127.0
Feb	6,282.5	6,076.9	204.4	1.2	3,417.6	4.1	3,421.6	(2,860.9)
Mar	5,795.2	5,579.3	215.0	0.9	6,467.1	0.1	6,467.2	672.0
Q1	16,739.9	16,093.6	642.8	3.5	14,673.9	4.1	14,678.0	(2,061.9)
Apr	6,148.3	5,936.9	209.3	2.0	5,806.5	5.2	5,811.7	(336.6)
May	6,590.3	6,361.2	228.0	1.0	6,051.9	5.6	6,057.5	(532.8)
June	4,945.3	4,701.9	242.5	0.9	5,656.7	10.5	5,667.2	721.9
Q2	17,683.9	17,000.1	679.8	4.0	17,515.1	21.3	17,536.3	(147.6)
July	6,140.2	5,893.0	245.7	1.5	2,681.2	0.4	2,681.6	(3,458.6)
Aug	5,444.2	5,200.5	241.7	1.9	3,909.0	0.2	3,909.3	(1,534.9)
Sep	5,384.0	5,153.1	229.9	1.0	4,265.3	1.7	4,267.0	(1,117.0)
Q3	16,968.3	16,246.6	717.3	4.4	10,855.5	2.3	10,857.8	(6,110.5)
Oct	5,644.7	5,411.8	231.8	1.1	2,771.7	0.0	2,771.7	(2,873.0)
Nov	7,311.4	7,040.7	269.6	1.1	4,770.1	0.5	4,770.6	(2,540.8)
Dec	6,272.7	6,026.4	244.8	1.5	5,833.8	0.4	5,834.2	(438.5)
Q4	19,228.8	18,479.0	746.2	3.7	13,375.6	0.9	13,376.5	(5,852.3)
Total_2019	70,620.9	67,819.2	2,786.1	15.6	56,420.0	28.7	56,448.7	(14,172.2)
Jan_2020	4,926.8	4,703.7	222.2	0.9	5,707.4	9.2	5,716.7	789.9
Feb	6,270.4	5,999.0	270.0	1.4	3,460.9	0.6	3,461.5	(2,808.9)
Mar	6,441.4	6,176.6	263.4	1.4	4,516.8	0.2	4,517.0	(1,924.4)
Q1	17,638.5	16,879.3	755.6	3.7	13,685.1	10.1	13,695.2	(3,943.4)
Apr	1,383.1	1,295.0	87.7	0.4	146.6	0.1	146.7	(1,236.4)
May	4,992.2	4,754.5	237.1	0.6	3,176.0	0.1	3,176.1	(1,816.1)
June	7,331.8	7,079.5	251.3	1.0	1,064.9	0.2	1,065.0	(6,266.8)
Q2	13,707.1	13,129.1	576.0	2.0	4,387.5	0.3	4,387.8	(9,319.3)
July	6,038.9	5,747.0	290.6	1.3	2,468.9	0.2	2,469.1	(3,569.8)
Aug	5,785.7	5,564.0	220.4	1.4	3,181.7	1.1	3,182.8	(2,602.9)
Sep	8,171.0	7,931.9	237.9	1.1	7,796.3	0.4	7,796.7	(374.2)
Q3	19,995.6	19,242.9	749.0	3.7	13,447.0	1.7	13,448.7	(6,546.9)
Oct	8,257.7	7,993.9	262.7	1.0	5,994.0	0.7	5,994.7	(2,263.0)
Nov	7,098.6	6,823.9	272.6	2.1	5,547.2	0.0	5,547.2	(1,551.4)
Dec	7,781.4	7,483.0	296.6	1.8	5,929.7	0.6	5,930.3	(1,851.1)
Q4	23,137.6	22,300.8	831.9	4.9	17,470.8	1.4	17,472.2	(5,665.4)
Total_2020	74,478.9	71,552.0	2,912.5	14.4	48,990.4	13.5	49,003.9	(25,475.0)
Jan_2021	7,250.2	6,987.2	261.6	1.4	8,687.0	0.3	8,687.3	1,437.1
Feb	6,400.9	6,129.9	269.4	1.6	6,365.5	0.0	6,365.6	(35.4)
Mar	9,577.8	9,226.4	350.0	1.4	9,038.4	0.0	9,038.4	(539.4)
Q1	23,229.0	22,343.5	881.0	4.5	24,090.9	0.4	24,091.3	862.3
Apr	6,855.6	6,563.2	291.1	1.3	4,932.1	0.0	4,932.1	(1,923.5)
May	7,813.9	7,522.5	290.1	1.4	4,906.8	0.0	4,906.9	(2,907.1)
June	7,739.1	7,468.4	269.1	1.6	7,169.5	0.9	7,170.4	(568.7)
Q2	22,408.6	21,554.0	850.3	4.3	17,008.4	0.9	17,009.3	(5,399.2)
July	7,232.0	6,962.8	268.0	1.2	7,605.1	0.2	7,605.2	373.2

Table 2.1: Principal Imports Commodity Groups - January 2019 to July 2021 (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	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2019	441.7	800.3	691.0	593.1	47.3	615.4	240.5	50.9	98.9	763.7	103.6	215.7	4,662.1
Feb	501.6	2,535.5	633.9	536.6	56.8	634.1	268.4	47.4	141.1	647.7	119.7	159.8	6,282.5
Mar	482.6	2,019.9	699.3	586.8	66.9	725.8	306.4	52.4	165.8	378.9	129.6	180.9	5,795.2
Q1	1,425.9	5,355.6	2,024.2	1,716.5	171.0	1,975.3	815.3	150.8	405.7	1,790.3	352.9	556.4	16,739.9
Apr	424.9	2,315.3	04.6	603.2	62.0	717.9	360.2	51.4	130.2	609.7	120.5	148.3	6,148.3
May	504.8	2,355.8	678.4	655.8	61.2	693.7	316.7	65.8	121.2	788.4	139.6	208.9	6,590.3
June	491.6	789.7	653.9	906.7	58.1	773.1	437.4	56.9	102.6	386.1	129.6	159.8	4,945.3
Q2	1,421.3	5,460.7	1,936.9	2,165.7	181.3	2,184.7	1,114.3	174.1	354.0	1,784.2	389.7	517.0	17,683.9
July	531.1	1,671.6	700.2	947.1	71.5	739.7	301.4	66.0	137.8	508.7	127.5	337.5	6,140.2
Aug	551.2	1,010.4	806.0	938.9	71.3	779.1	276.4	65.1	144.0	437.5	157.3	206.9	5,444.2
Sep	558.2	1,265.0	774.8	696.6	63.9	821.0	252.3	59.5	167.1	390.2	147.5	187.9	5,384.0
Q3	1,640.6	3,947.0	2,280.9	2,582.6	206.6	2,339.9	830.1	190.6	449.0	1,336.5	432.3	732.4	16,968.3
Oct	569.5	1,420.8	813.3	694.7	74.4	727.0	261.7	59.7	176.7	460.4	158.5	228.0	5,644.7
Nov	651.4	2,266.7	886.9	646.9	68.1	909.7	294.8	58.0	164.8	1,010.7	144.7	208.7	7,311.4
Dec	635.3	1,599.3	1,061.3	1,057.2	67.8	638.5	233.7	57.1	127.2	437.8	145.0	212.6	6,272.7
Q4	1,856.2	5,286.7	2,761.5	2,398.7	210.3	2,275.2	790.2	174.8	468.8	1,908.8	448.2	649.3	19,228.8
Total_2019	6,343.9	20,050.1	9,003.4	8,863.6	769.2	8,775.1	3,549.9	690.3	1,677.5	6,819.7	1,623.1	2,455.1	70,620.9
Jan_2020	520.6	718.4	801.1	1,037.3	54.6	761.7	207.1	60.6	96.2	382.7	116.8	169.6	4,926.8
Feb	527.0	1,144.8	823.5	731.1	71.8	867.8	282.3	71.5	160.0	820.2	149.6	620.8	6,270.4
Mar	619.2	1,672.4	865.8	1,080.7	65.3	863.7	248.6	53.9	153.8	464.1	128.5	225.3	6,441.4
Q1	1,666.8	3,535.6	2,490.4	2,849.1	191.7	2,493.3	738.0	186.0	410.1	1,667.0	394.8	1,015.7	17,638.5
Apr	273.3	-	521.2	208.9	5.8	193.3	34.8	5.7	33.0	18.2	34.7	54.1	1,383.1
May	502.1	974.1	571.4	1,011.8	33.8	486.5	148.1	30.6	119.6	792.6	86.5	235.0	4,992.2
June	665.2	3,426.7	670.4	548.0	65.8	764.7	229.2	59.4	126.1	460.9	125.9	189.5	7,331.8
Q2	1,440.7	4,400.8	1,763.0	1,768.7	105.4	1,444.5	412.1	95.7	278.7	1,271.7	247.2	478.6	13,707.1
July	639.4	942.4	783.8	1,725.3	57.2	664.4	262.8	62.0	109.3	467.4	129.0	195.9	6,038.9
Aug	556.1	1,734.4	786.0	722.3	69.3	633.2	241.0	71.5	132.9	396.3	125.6	317.1	5,785.7
Sep	686.1	3,848.5	911.9	613.9	73.5	722.8	273.5	65.0	153.1	438.3	148.7	235.7	8,171.0
Q3	1,881.5	6,525.3	2,481.8	3,061.5	200.0	2,020.3	777.3	198.6	395.3	1,302.1	403.3	748.7	19,995.6
Oct	633.3	3,545.1	942.8	737.8	89.0	886.6	349.7	72.6	158.0	437.1	145.1	260.5	8,257.7
Nov	667.5	2,255.0	943.2	652.7	80.1	828.8	389.9	65.5	180.4	618.1	163.4	254.0	7,098.6
Dec	672.8	2,775.8	897.5	599.6	70.6	625.5	333.7	62.7	124.6	1,153.7	151.2	313.5	7,781.4
Q4	1,973.6	8,575.9	2,783.6	1,990.1	239.6	2,340.9	1,073.4	200.9	463.1	2,208.9	459.7	828.0	23,137.6
Total_2020	6,962.6	23,037.6	9,518.7	9,669.4	736.8	8,299.0	3,000.8	681.2	1,547.2	6,449.6	1,504.9	3,071.0	74,478.9
Jan_2021	550.6	3,348.0	851.8	653.8	42.7	611.7	274.6	75.1	127.7	381.2	117.7	215.2	7,250.2
Feb	549.9	2,086.4	795.0	784.4	68.2	738.7	345.3	65.7	156.7	438.1	129.8	242.7	6,400.9
Mar	997.2	3,691.6	889.6	903.9	90.4	928.7	399.4	69.1	179.2	918.2	194.2	316.5	9,577.8
Q1	2,097.6	9,126.1	2,536.5	2,342.1	201.3	2,279.1	1,019.3	209.9	463.6	1,737.5	441.7	774.4	23,229.0
Apr	653.0	1,925.5	806.0	853.7	63.4	738.5	346.9	69.2	181.7	835.7	148.7	233.2	6,855.6
May	658.4	2,883.7	837.5	812.3	54.3	868.0	412.0	70.9	139.8	688.4	159.8	228.8	7,813.9
June	772.6	2,846.3	863.0	860.0	57.6	873.8	383.3	78.8	137.0	457.5	174.4	234.8	7,739.1
Q2	2,084.0	7,655.5	2,506.5	2,526.0	175.3	2,480.3	1,142.2	219.0	458.4	1,981.6	482.8	696.8	22,408.6
July	626.1	2,104.6	838.4	1,577.7	46.7	776.7	356.3	74.7	120.4	339.4	152.9	218.1	7,232.0
% Distribution													
2019	9.0	28.4	12.7	12.6	1.1	12.4	5.0	1.0	2.4	9.7	2.3	3.5	100.0
2020	9.3	30.9	12.8	13.0	1.0	11.1	4.0	0.9	2.1	8.7	2.0	4.1	100.0
June	10.0	36.8	11.2	11.1	0.7	11.3	5.0	1.0	1.8	5.9	2.3	3.1	100.0
July	8.7	29.1	11.6	21.8	0.6	10.7	4.9	1.0	1.7	4.7	2.1	3.0	100.0

Table 2.2: Principal Export Commodity Groups - January 2019 to July 2021 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2019	0.1	4,414.8	32.6	0.1	9.6	66.3	32.3	9.2	53.7	14.2	24.1	132.3	4,789.1
Feb	0.2	3,052.5	32.2	0.2	12.7	112.0	39.3	9.9	44.8	14.3	24.1	79.4	3,421.6
Mar	0.3	6,052.0	28.5	0.3	12.1	153.9	21.4	14.6	54.6	13.1	44.0	72.5	6,467.2
Q1	0.6	13,519.3	93.3	0.5	34.4	332.2	93.0	33.7	153.1	41.6	92.2	284.1	14,678.0
Apr	0.1	5,388.5	39.5	1.0	12.0	137.4	41.7	14.3	42.9	13.8	38.7	81.8	5,811.7
May	0.1	5,554.2	29.2	0.2	19.8	142.2	75.8	22.2	56.0	13.3	26.5	118.1	6,057.5
June	0.1	5,145.2	57.0	0.1	17.1	142.6	101.5	17.7	30.5	11.6	33.9	109.9	5,667.2
Q2	0.3	16,087.8	125.7	1.3	48.9	422.1	219.0	54.3	129.4	38.7	99.1	309.8	17,536.3
July	1.0	2,253.2	22.8	0.2	12.2	136.8	59.1	21.2	56.4	10.8	24.7	83.3	2,681.6
Aug	0.2	3,420.0	51.1	0.3	17.5	160.2	64.0	18.5	46.2	13.2	31.6	86.5	3,909.3
Sep	0.1	3,739.5	45.7	1.1	20.8	148.7	89.8	20.4	61.1	12.9	41.9	84.9	4,267.0
Q3	1.3	9,412.7	119.6	1.5	50.5	445.8	212.8	60.1	163.7	37.0	98.1	254.7	10,857.8
Oct	0.2	2,297.7	33.8	1.5	22.6	124.7	94.6	21.4	35.6	12.1	30.9	96.6	2,771.7
Nov	0.2	4,330.3	29.1	0.3	13.9	161.0	24.0	30.0	33.5	17.1	42.3	89.0	4,770.6
Dec	0.1	5,440.4	34.9	0.2	7.1	81.6	16.5	17.5	45.9	14.8	45.9	129.3	5,834.2
Q4	0.5	12,068.4	97.8	2.0	43.6	367.3	135.1	68.9	115.0	44.0	119.1	314.9	13,376.5
Total_2019	2.6	51,088.2	436.5	5.4	177.3	1,567.4	660.0	217.0	561.2	161.3	408.4	1,163.6	56,448.7
Jan_2020	0.2	5,239.7	20.5	0.1	13.0	159.9	12.5	23.1	64.1	15.6	28.1	139.9	5,716.7
Feb	1.7	2,914.7	46.7	0.1	17.1	168.5	14.8	21.9	65.7	14.9	30.6	164.9	3,461.5
Mar	280.3	3,778.3	22.6	0.1	12.0	128.4	8.3	19.4	53.9	12.9	32.9	167.9	4,517.0
Q1	282.2	11,932.6	89.8	0.2	42.1	456.8	35.6	64.4	183.8	43.4	91.6	472.6	13,695.2
Apr	3.7	0.0	50.9	0.0	0.7	3.0	12.9	2.5	41.4	0.0	0.0	31.6	146.7
May	3.5	2,931.6	24.7	0.0	4.5	71.0	18.3	11.6	46.5	7.2	3.6	53.7	3,176.1
June	2.1	643.3	23.9	0.1	12.9	117.4	18.2	22.9	77.9	11.1	26.9	108.3	1,065.0
Q2	9.2	3,574.9	99.5	0.1	18.0	191.4	49.4	37.0	165.9	18.2	30.5	193.6	4,387.8
July	2.2	1,988.4	70.2	0.0	15.3	134.8	32.9	20.9	52.5	12.6	32.8	106.5	2,469.1
Aug	3.3	2,604.5	48.1	0.0	10.2	252.3	34.1	30.1	56.5	12.8	33.4	97.4	3,182.8
Sep	0.7	7,297.6	56.5	0.1	17.6	179.5	22.1	31.8	56.4	15.6	26.5	92.2	7,796.7
Q3	6.3	11,890.4	174.9	0.2	43.2	566.6	89.0	82.8	165.4	41.0	92.7	296.2	13,448.7
Oct	0.8	5,417.3	33.6	1.0	17.0	189.2	34.2	30.4	72.4	19.4	24.5	155.0	5,994.7
Nov	0.2	5,002.3	51.6	0.1	16.0	158.1	7.1	29.3	80.6	26.9	15.5	159.6	5,547.2
Dec	0.0	5,486.9	75.4	0.1	11.7	61.9	5.8	16.8	61.1	13.0	31.8	165.6	5,930.3
Q4	1.0	15,906.5	160.5	1.2	44.7	409.3	47.1	76.5	214.1	59.3	71.8	480.2	17,472.2
Total_2020	298.7	43,304.5	524.8	1.7	147.9	1,624.0	221.2	260.8	729.1	162.0	286.6	1,442.6	49,003.9
Jan_2021	0.2	8,205.5	44.0	0.9	12.4	168.7	0.6	18.9	65.6	14.9	21.8	133.8	8,687.3
Feb	0.0	5,915.7	16.8	0.0	12.5	151.4	2.1	29.0	51.5	12.1	20.4	153.9	6,365.6
Mar	0.9	8,455.6	51.5	1.8	25.2	156.6	9.2	32.4	54.7	18.0	48.1	184.4	9,038.4
Q1	1.1	22,576.8	112.3	2.7	50.1	476.8	11.9	80.3	171.9	44.9	90.3	472.2	24,091.3
Apr	0.1	4,400.4	0.0	1.5	19.8	171.5	9.0	33.5	54.8	14.3	29.8	197.4	4,932.1
May	0.3	4,280.0	62.1	1.2	28.0	147.6	17.9	41.6	54.8	15.0	17.4	240.9	4,906.9
June	0.3	6,546.8	35.8	0.1	29.9	158.7	34.6	38.7	73.8	14.4	19.7	217.7	7,170.4
Q2	0.7	15,227.2	97.9	2.8	77.7	477.8	61.5	113.7	183.4	43.7	66.9	656.1	17,009.3
July	80.8	6,936.3	0.0	0.8	14.2	169.7	12.6	28.9	100.9	12.9	23.1	224.9	7,605.2
% Distribution													
2019	0.0	90.5	0.8	0.0	0.3	2.8	1.2	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.7	2.1	100.0
2020	0.6	88.4	1.1	0.0	0.3	3.3	0.5	0.5	1.5	0.3	0.6	2.9	100.0
June	0.0	91.3	0.5	0.0	0.4	2.2	0.5	0.5	1.0	0.2	0.3	3.0	100.0
July	1.1	91.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	2.2	0.2	0.4	1.3	0.2	0.3	3.0	100.0

Table 2.3: Diamonds Trade - January 2019 to July 2021 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Imports						Total Exports					
	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan_2019	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
Q1	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
June	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
July	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	131.3	1,420.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	1,905.0	392.7	2,297.7
Nov	36.4	0.1	0.0	1,539.9	690.3	2,266.7	0.3	8.7	0.0	3,684.9	636.4	4,330.3
Dec	289.8	1.7	0.0	1,192.4	115.4	1,599.3	0.0	6.5	0.0	4,848.5	585.4	5,440.4
Q4	573.9	1.8	0.0	3,774.0	937.1	5,286.7	0.3	15.2	0.0	10,438.4	1,614.4	12,068.4
Total_2019	4,796.6	9.0	0.9	10,487.0	4,756.7	20,050.1	2.0	91.9	0.0	41,950.7	9,043.6	51,088.2
Jan_2020	191.6	0.0	0.0	185.2	341.7	718.4	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	1,039.3	3,535.6	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
June	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
July	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	2,717.9	23,037.6	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	5,228.0	680.6	5,915.7
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	21,067.3	1,459.3	22,576.8
Apr	0.0	5.5	0.0	1,443.9	476.1	1,925.5	0.0	2.0	0.0	3,559.8	838.6	4,400.4
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
June	263.7	0.0	0.0	1,914.8	667.8	2,846.3	0.0	12.1	0.0	5,788.0	746.6	6,546.8
Q2	561.7	9.4	0.0	5,505.7	1,578.8	7,655.5	0.0	20.6	0.0	12,878.4	2,328.2	15,227.2
July	268.0	5.1	0.0	1,545.2	286.3	2,104.6	0.0	12.7	0.0	6,197.1	726.6	6,936.3

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 – July 2021 (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	488.8	7.3	772.0	1,394.6	43.0	575.3	316.6	66.6	100.8	280.4	137.3	167.0	4,349.7	60.1
Namibia	0.3	4.4	8.7	115.8	0.0	1.2	0.5	8.1	0.0	1.8	0.3	0.1	141.1	2.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	3.1	0.0
Eswatitni	28.2	0.0	8.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	3.3	0.0	40.5	0.6
SACU	517.2	11.7	789.4	1,510.5	43.0	576.7	317.0	74.6	100.9	285.4	141.0	167.1	4,534.4	62.7
Zambia	0.1	0.0	10.8	50.9	0.0	5.7	8.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.5	77.7	1.1
Other SADC	0.4	0.0	20.0	0.5	0.7	0.9	10.2	0.0	0.8	1.1	7.6	1.4	43.7	0.6
SADC	517.7	11.7	820.3	1,561.9	43.7	583.3	335.4	74.7	102.0	286.5	148.6	170.0	4,655.9	64.4
Other Africa	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	2.3	0.0
Africa	518.6	11.7	820.5	1,561.9	43.7	584.5	335.4	74.7	102.0	286.5	148.6	170.1	4,658.1	64.4
India	37.9	265.6	0.1	14.2	0.0	11.1	1.7	0.0	1.1	3.3	0.2	2.0	337.2	4.7
UAE	0.9	169.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	178.1	2.5
Russian Federation	0.0	96.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	96.4	1.3
China	11.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	33.0	11.5	0.0	12.7	5.6	1.4	12.2	90.3	1.2
Other Asia	3.8	48.7	8.1	0.3	0.0	23.9	2.5	0.0	0.4	28.0	0.8	3.5	120.0	1.7
Asia	53.7	579.6	8.3	15.2	2.7	74.8	15.7	0.0	14.1	37.2	2.5	18.1	822.0	11.4
Belgium	1.6	1,237.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.2	1,241.6	17.2
Other EU	40.7	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.3	53.4	1.4	0.0	3.0	2.0	1.1	21.4	124.7	1.7
EU	42.3	1,237.2	1.4	0.0	0.3	53.8	1.4	0.0	3.0	4.2	1.1	21.6	1,366.3	18.9
Rest of the World	11.5	276.2	8.2	0.4	0.1	63.5	3.8	0.0	1.2	11.6	0.8	8.3	385.6	5.3
World	626.1	2,104.6	838.4	1,577.7	46.7	776.7	356.3	74.7	120.4	339.4	152.9	218.1	7,232.0	100.0

Table 3.1B: Principal Imports Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level - July 2021

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
South Africa	11.2	0.2	17.7	32.1	1.0	13.2	7.3	1.5	2.3	6.4	3.2	3.8	100.0
Namibia	0.2	3.1	6.2	82.1	0.0	0.9	0.3	5.7	0.0	1.2	0.2	0.1	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	95.3	0.0	0.0	100.0
Eswatitni	69.6	0.0	21.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	8.2	0.0	100.0
SACU	11.4	0.3	17.4	33.3	0.9	12.7	7.0	1.6	2.2	6.3	3.1	3.7	100.0
Zambia	0.1	0.0	14.0	65.6	0.0	7.3	10.4	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	2.0	100.0
Other SADC	1.0	0.0	45.8	1.2	1.5	2.1	23.4	0.0	1.9	2.5	17.4	3.1	100.0
SADC	11.1	0.3	17.6	33.5	0.9	12.5	7.2	1.6	2.2	6.2	3.2	3.7	100.0
Other Africa	37.1	0.0	6.1	0.0	0.0	53.3	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	100.0
Africa	11.1	0.3	17.6	33.5	0.9	12.5	7.2	1.6	2.2	6.2	3.2	3.7	100.0
India	11.2	78.8	0.0	4.2	0.0	3.3	0.5	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.1	0.6	100.0
UAE	0.5	94.9	0.0	0.4	0.0	3.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	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
China	12.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	36.6	12.7	0.0	14.1	6.2	1.6	13.5	100.0
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Asia	6.5	70.5	1.0	1.9	0.3	9.1	1.9	0.0	1.7	4.5	0.3	2.2	100.0
Belgium	0.1	99.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	32.6	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.2	42.8	1.1	0.0	2.4	1.6	0.8	17.2	100.0
EU	3.1	90.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	3.9	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.1	1.6	100.0
Rest of the World	3.0	71.6	2.1	0.1	0.0	16.5	1.0	0.0	0.3	3.0	0.2	2.2	100.0
World	8.7	29.1	11.6	21.8	0.6	10.7	4.9	1.0	1.7	4.7	2.1	3.0	100.0

Table 3.2A: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Commodity Groups – July 2021 (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	18.3	297.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	142.5	8.6	19.5	48.7	12.5	4.6	192.7	745.0	9.8
Namibia	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.5	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	8.1	23.1	45.3	0.6
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	0.0	0.0
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0
SACU	18.3	298.6	0.0	0.3	0.0	154.0	8.6	20.9	48.7	12.5	12.7	216.1	790.7	10.4
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.0	0.2	7.4	52.2	0.3	5.2	12.7	90.1	1.2
SADC	18.3	298.6	0.0	0.3	0.0	166.0	8.8	28.4	100.9	12.8	17.9	228.8	880.8	11.6
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	2.6	0.0
Africa	18.3	298.6	0.0	0.8	0.0	166.0	8.8	28.4	100.9	12.8	17.9	230.9	883.4	11.6
UAE	0.0	1,998.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1,998.7	26.3
India	0.0	1,421.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1,422.5	18.7
Israel	0.0	482.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	482.4	6.3
Hong Kong	0.0	481.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	481.1	6.3
Singapore	0.0	432.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	432.6	5.7
Other Asia	62.5	74.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	144.1	1.9
Asia	62.5	4,891.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	6.7	4,961.3	65.2
Belgium	0.0	1,633.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	1,633.7	21.5
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	3.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	6.5	0.1
EU	0.0	1,633.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	3.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1,640.1	21.6
Rest of the World	0.0	113.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.2	0.6	120.4	1.6
World	80.8	6,936.3	0.0	0.8	0.0	169.7	12.6	28.9	100.9	12.9	23.1	239.1	7,605.2	100.0

Table 3.2B: Principal Exports Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Exports at Country and Regional Level – July 2021

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	2.5	39.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.1	1.2	2.6	6.5	1.7	0.6	25.9	100.0
Namibia	0.0	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.4	0.0	2.8	0.0	0.1	17.9	51.1	100.0
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	100.0
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	35.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	64.8	100.0
SACU	2.3	37.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.5	1.1	2.6	6.2	1.6	1.6	27.3	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	0.2	8.3	57.9	0.4	5.8	14.1	100.0
SADC	2.1	33.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	18.8	1.0	3.2	11.5	1.5	2.0	26.0	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	82.4	100.0
Africa	2.1	33.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	18.8	1.0	3.2	11.4	1.5	2.0	26.1	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
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
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
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	43.4	51.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	100.0
Asia	1.3	98.6	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	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 EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	32.9	45.8	8.9	0.0	0.1	0.0	12.3	100.0
EU	0.0	99.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Rest of the World	0.0	94.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	0.5	100.0
World	1.1	91.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.2	0.4	1.3	0.2	0.3	3.1	100.0

Table 4.1 A: Top 100 Imported Goods - July 2021 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS	Description	Imports	%
1	71023100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	1,545.2	21.4
2	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1(g)	1,026.6	14.2
3	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1(b)	326.0	4.5
4	71023900	Other diamonds	286.3	4.0
5	71021000	Unsorted diamonds	268.0	3.7
6	27160000	Electrical energy	156.2	2.2
7	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	78.1	1.1
8	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02)	77.1	1.1
9	25232900	Other Portland cement	69.7	1.0
10	84592900	Other Drilling machines, other than numerically controlled, NES	61.6	0.9
11	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Muslin)	58.3	0.8
12	87089990	Other parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05:	48.5	0.7
13	17011400	Other cane sugar	47.7	0.7
14	10059010	Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption, not further prepared or processed and not packaged as seeds (excluding popcorn (ZEA MAYS EVERTA))	42.4	0.6
15	85444990	Other Insulated (Including Enameled Or Anodized) Wire, Cable (Including Co-Axial Cable) And Other Insulated Electric Conductors	40.5	0.6
16	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substances	40.1	0.6
17	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the process of cooking food	38.5	0.5
18	38220000	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	38.0	0.5
19	84314990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 84.25 to 84.30; of machinery of heading 84.26, 84.29 or 84.30	37.6	0.5
20	85171210	Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	32.1	0.4
21	34012000	Soap in other forms	31.0	0.4
22	22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, In sealed containers holding 2,5 li or less (excluding those in collapsible plastic tubes)	28.3	0.4
23	33049990	Other Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin (other than medicaments), including sunscreen or sun tan preparations	27.5	0.4
24	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 (Pinups spp.)	26.7	0.4
25	84295200	Machinery with a 360 degrees revolving superstructure	24.9	0.3
26	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	23.9	0.3
27	87042390	Other lorries and trucks	23.3	0.3
28	68129100	Clothing, clothing accessories, footwear and headgear	23.0	0.3
29	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	23.0	0.3
30	84082000	Engines of a kind used for the propulsion of vehicles of chapter 87	22.7	0.3
31	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	20.9	0.3
32	72081000	In coils, not further worked than hot-rolled, with patterns in relief	20.2	0.3
33	09109900	Other spices	19.8	0.3
34	73041100	Of stainless steel	19.1	0.3
35	38249999	Other mixtures	18.3	0.3
36	39269090	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	18.2	0.3
37	87164000	Other trailers and semi-trailers	17.7	0.2
38	85369090	Other apparatus	17.4	0.2
39	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	17.4	0.2
40	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	16.9	0.2
41	87041090	Other dumpers designed for off-highway use	16.9	0.2
42	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content exceeding 5 per cent	16.7	0.2
43	64059090	Other footwear	16.6	0.2
44	33021000	Of a kind used in the food or drink industries	16.2	0.2
45	90189000	Other instruments and appliances	16.1	0.2
46	84749000	Parts	15.6	0.2
47	31023000	Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	15.4	0.2
48	27101252	Other prepared lubricating oils	15.0	0.2
49	85447000	Optical fibre cables	14.9	0.2
50	44031100	Coniferous Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared, Treated with paint, stains, creosote or other preservatives	14.8	0.2

Table 4.1 A : Top 100 Imported Goods – July 2021 (Million Pula); Continued

Rank	HS	Description	Imports	%
51	10059090	Other (maize (corn))	14.7	0.2
52	23099092	Other Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	14.7	0.2
53	04031000	Yoghurt	14.6	0.2
54	27111390	Other butanes, liquefied	14.3	0.2
55	17049000	Other Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	13.5	0.2
56	85176290	Other machines for the reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, including switching and routing apparatus	12.8	0.2
57	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	12.6	0.2
58	19041000	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal products	12.2	0.2
59	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)	12.0	0.2
60	84295900	Other mechanical shovels, excavators and shovel loaders	12.0	0.2
61	87042290	Other lorries and trucks	12.0	0.2
62	21032000	Tomato ketchup and other tomato sauces	12.0	0.2
63	20098950	Other fruit juices	11.7	0.2
64	85369020	Identifiable for use solely or principally with motor vehicles	11.6	0.2
65	48181000	Toilet paper	11.3	0.2
66	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	11.3	0.2
67	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	11.1	0.2
68	85371090	Other boards, panels, consoles, desks, cabinets, etc., equipped with apparatus for electric control, for a voltage not exceeding 1,000, NES	10.9	0.2
69	34022000	Preparations put up for retail sale	10.8	0.1
70	87012020	Tractor of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	10.7	0.1
71	87043190	Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods g.v.m. not exceeding 5 tonnes	10.7	0.1
72	74081100	Of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	10.6	0.1
73	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	10.4	0.1
74	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)	10.4	0.1
75	19023000	Other pasta	10.4	0.1
76	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	10.1	0.1
77	85446090	Other electric conductors of voltage 1000 v conductor	9.9	0.1
78	39019090	Other Polymers of ethylene	9.9	0.1
79	90319000	Parts and accessories	9.9	0.1
80	39012000	Polyethylene having a specific gravity of 0,94 or more	9.9	0.1
81	19053100	Sweet biscuits	9.7	0.1
82	90283000	Electricity meters	9.4	0.1
83	33072090	Other Personal deodorants and antiperspirants	9.4	0.1
84	84741000	Sorting, screening, separating or washing machines	9.1	0.1
85	87042190	Other motor vehicles g.v.m not exceeding 5 tonnes	8.8	0.1
86	84314300	Parts for boring or sinking machinery of subheading 8430.41 or 8430.49	8.7	0.1
87	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	8.6	0.1
88	42034000	Other clothing accessories	8.5	0.1
89	94035000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom	8.4	0.1
90	72022900	Other Ferro-silicon	8.4	0.1
91	16041317	Sardines (pilchards) (SARDINOPS SPP.), in airtight metal containers for human consumption	8.2	0.1
92	85389090	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the apparatus of heading 8535, 8536 or 8537	7.8	0.1
93	84439900	Other parts and accessories	7.7	0.1
94	44182000	Doors and their frames and thresholds	7.7	0.1
95	72179000	Other wire of or non-alloy steel	7.7	0.1
96	85444290	Other insulated electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1,000 V, fitted with connectors, NES	7.6	0.1
97	08081000	Apples, fresh	7.6	0.1
98	19011000	Preparations suitable for infants or young children, put up for retail sale	7.6	0.1
99	85364990	Other digital relays, voltage > 60V	7.6	0.1
100	84313900	Other Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 8428	7.3	0.1
Top 100 Imported Goods			5,432.2	75.1
Other Imported Goods			1,799.8	24.9
Total			7,232.0	100.0

Table 4.1 B: Top 50 Exported Goods –July 2021 (Pula)

Rank	HS	Description	Imports	%
1	71023100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	6,197.1	81.5
2	71023900	Other diamonds	726.6	9.6
3	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, a	95.5	1.3
4	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	80.8	1.1
5	28362000	Disodium carbonate	69.9	0.9
6	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	54.8	0.7
7	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	29.7	0.4
8	01022900	Other (cattle)	24.5	0.3
9	07082000	Beans (VIGNA SPP., PHASEOLUS SPP.), shelled or unshelled, fresh or chill	22.3	0.3
10	84304900	Other boring or sinking machinery:	21.3	0.3
11	27011900	Other coal	20.2	0.3
12	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	19.3	0.3
13	71022100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	12.7	0.2
14	27011200	Bituminous coal	12.3	0.2
15	07133190	Other (Beans of the species Vegan mango (L.) Hipper or Vegan radiate (10.7	0.1
16	85442090	Other Co-axial cable and other co-axial electric conductors: excluding	10.5	0.1
17	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry	9.1	0.1
18	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	6.0	0.1
19	13021990	Other Vegetable saps and extracts	5.8	0.1
20	30033100	Medicaments Containing insulin	5.4	0.1
21	28331100	Disodium sulphate	5.4	0.1
22	07133990	Other (other beans (Vigna spp., Pharsalus spp.))	5.1	0.1
23	88021100	Of an unladen mass not exceeding 2 000 kg	4.7	0.1
24	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	4.5	0.1
25	87012020	Tractor of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	4.4	0.1
26	74040090	Other Copper waste and scrap; copper waste and scrap;	4.0	0.1
27	02021000	Carcasses and half-carcasses (of bovine animals, frozen)	4.0	0.1
28	84082000	Engines of a kind used for the propulsion of vehicles of chapter 87	3.8	0.0
29	17011400	Other cane sugar	3.7	0.0
30	85284910	Colour, with a screen size not exceeding 3 m x 4 m	3.2	0.0
31	84279090	Other electronic calculating machines:	2.8	0.0
32	72149900	Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel, not further worked than forged, hot-rolled, hot-drawn or hot-extruded, but including those twisted after rolling	2.7	0.0
33	72043000	Waste and scrap of finned iron or steel	2.6	0.0
34	72042900	Other waste and scrap of alloy steel	2.4	0.0
35	02011000	Carcasses and half-carcasses (meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled)	2.2	0.0
36	84272050	Other fork-lift trucks of a mass exceeding 10 000 kg	2.1	0.0
37	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	2.1	0.0
38	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; other vehicles, with spark-ignition internal combustion reciprocating piston engine	2.1	0.0
39	30023000	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	2.1	0.0
40	84313900	Other Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of heading 8428, NES	2.0	0.0
41	87042210	Shuttle cars for use in underground mines; low construction flame-proof	2.0	0.0
42	22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, In sealed container	2.0	0.0
43	74040010	Of refined copper	1.9	0.0
44	87163100	Tanker trailers and tanker semi-trailers	1.9	0.0
45	58081000	Braids in the piece	1.8	0.0
46	84305000	Other machinery, self-propelled	1.8	0.0
47	23021000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of maize (corn)	1.7	0.0
48	23023000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of wheat	1.7	0.0
49	84253990	Other jacks and hoists of a kind used for raising vehicles:	14.9	0.2
50	84314990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of heading 8429 or 8430, NES	1.5	0.0
Top 50 Exported Commodities			7,518.3	98.9
Other Exported Commodities			87.0	1.1
Total			7,605.2	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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