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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 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 May 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 May 2022 are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. **Table 4.1A** presents statistics on most imported commodities during May 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.

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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 May 2022.

In May 2022, total imports were valued at P8, 380.9 million reflecting an increase of 20.2 percent from the revised April 2022 value of P6, 971.1 million. Total exports during the same month amounted to P8, 864.2 million, displaying an increase of 35.8 percent from the revised April 2022 value of P6, 528.2 million.

The leading import commodity groups during the reporting period were Diamonds with 32.6 percent contribution to total imports, followed by Fuel with 17.2 percent. These were followed by Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Food, Beverages & Tobacco with contributions of 12.6 percent and 10.6 percent, to total imports respectively. Diamonds, Copper and Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 87.6 percent, 3.4 percent and 2.6 percent to total exports in that order, during the month under review.

In May 2022, imports from Southern African Customs Union (**SACU**) contributed 74.0 percent, whilst those from **Asia** and the **European Union (EU)** accounted for 13.7 percent and 4.1 percent of total imports respectively. Imports from South Africa and Namibia accounted for 63.4 percent and 10.2 percent of total imports respectively. India Canada and China provided imports representing 8.5 percent, 3.8 percent and 2.3 percent, respectively. Belgium supplied imports representing 2.2 percent of the monthly total.

During the month under review, exports destined to Asia, the **EU** and **SACU** accounted for 61.5 percent, 22.6 percent and 7.4 percent of the total exports, respectively. The **United Arab Emirates (UAE)**, Belgium and India received exports representing 24.8 percent, 22.6 percent and 19.1 percent of the monthly total, respectively. South Africa received exports accounting for 6.3 percent of the monthly total.

Imports by Road accounted for 60.9 percent whereas those entering the country by Air and Rail represented 26.1 percent and 13.0 percent, respectively during the current period. Exports by Air accounted for 88.4 percent of total exports, while those by Road and Rail transport represented 11.4 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively.

1.0 Total Trade

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance. Discussions are based on May 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 digests are based on preliminary figures as regards the reference period. Revisions on 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.

In May 2022, transactions for April had late customs duty assessments. **Table A** shows revised data for the affected month, comparing figures as at the April 2022 Digest and the current. April 2022 imports were revised up by 3.9 percent (P264.8 million). Total Exports for April 2022 rose by 1.5 percent (P98.5 million) as displayed in **Table A**. This revision of imports and exports resulted in the change in trade balance from a trade deficit of P276.6 million reported in the April 2022 Digest to a trade deficit of P442.9 million in this digest.

Table A: Data Revision: April (Million Pula)

Period	As at April 2021 Digest			As at May 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
April	6,706.3	6,429.7	(276.6)	6,971.1	6,528.2	(442.9)	264.8	98.5	(166.2)	3.9	1.5	60.1

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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 May 2022, imports were valued at P8, 380.9 million, an increase of 20.2 percent (P1, 409.8 million) from the April 2022 revised figure of P6, 971.1 million. The increase was mainly due to rise in Diamonds by P1, 061.1 million (63.4 percent), as displayed in **Table 2.1**.

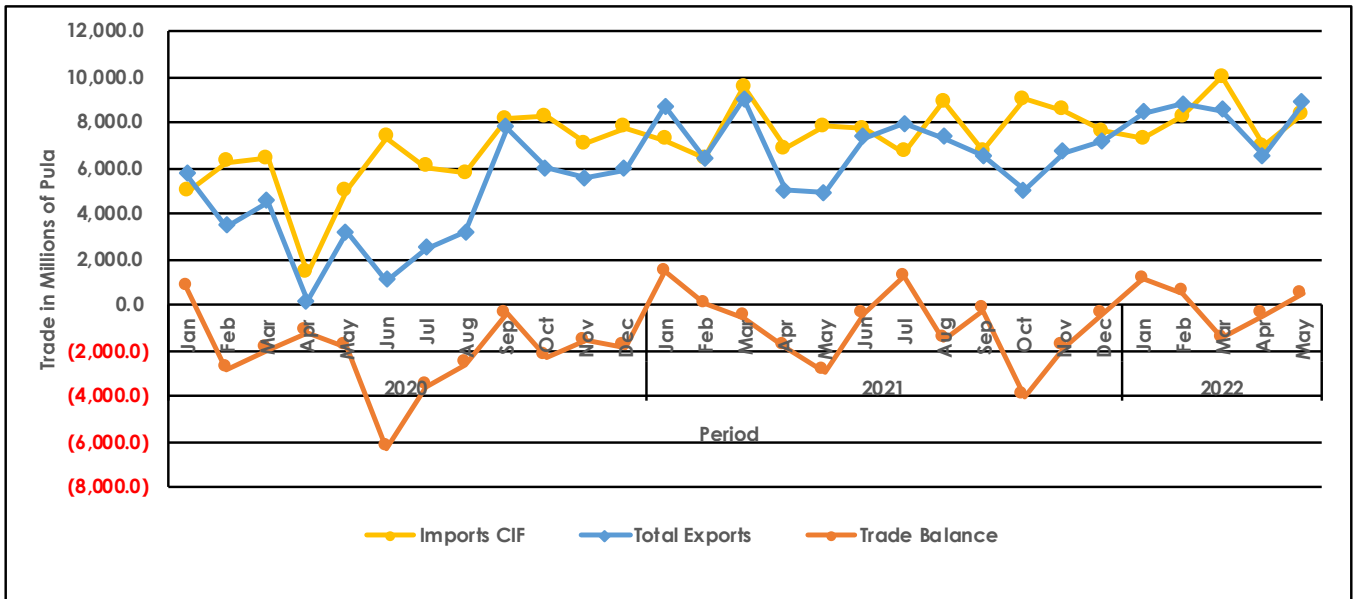
1.3 Total Exports

Botswana's total export value went up by 35.8 percent (P2, 336.0 million), from the revised April 2022 figure of P6, 528.2 million to P8, 864.2 million. The increase is attributed largely to the incline in Diamonds exports, by 39.9 percent (P2, 214.9 million) from the revised April 2022 value of P5, 550.5 million to P7, 765.4 million.

1.4 Trade Balance

In May 2022, Botswana exported P8, 864.2 million and imported P8, 380.9 million worth of goods, resulting in a trade surplus of P483.3 million. **Chart 1.0** displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2020 to May 2022.

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



2.0 Trade By Principal Commodity Groups

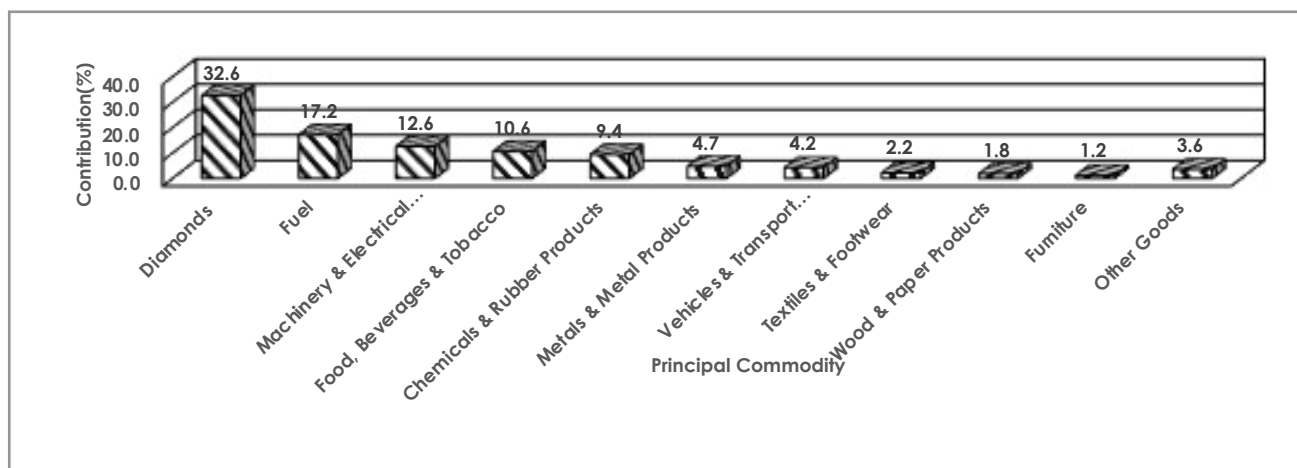
Principal commodity groups refer to selections of related commodities grouped together to form major groups. Commodities forming a group may be of related chapters or commodities, for example 'Vehicles & Transport Equipment' combines vehicles and other equipment used for transport purposes.

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

In May 2022, Botswana received imports valued at P8, 380.9 million. During this period Botswana's top imports were Diamonds; Fuel; Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Food, Beverages & Tobacco. Diamonds imports represented 32.6 percent (P2, 735.9 million) of total imports, while Fuel and Machinery & Electrical Equipment imports accounted for 17.2 percent (P1, 438.1 million) and 12.6 percent (P1, 056.2 million) respectively. Food, Beverages & Tobacco imports represented 10.6 percent (P885.3 million) of total imports. Contributions made by other commodity groups are illustrated in **Table 2.1** and **Chart 2.1**.

Chart 2.1: Composition of Principal Imports-May 2022

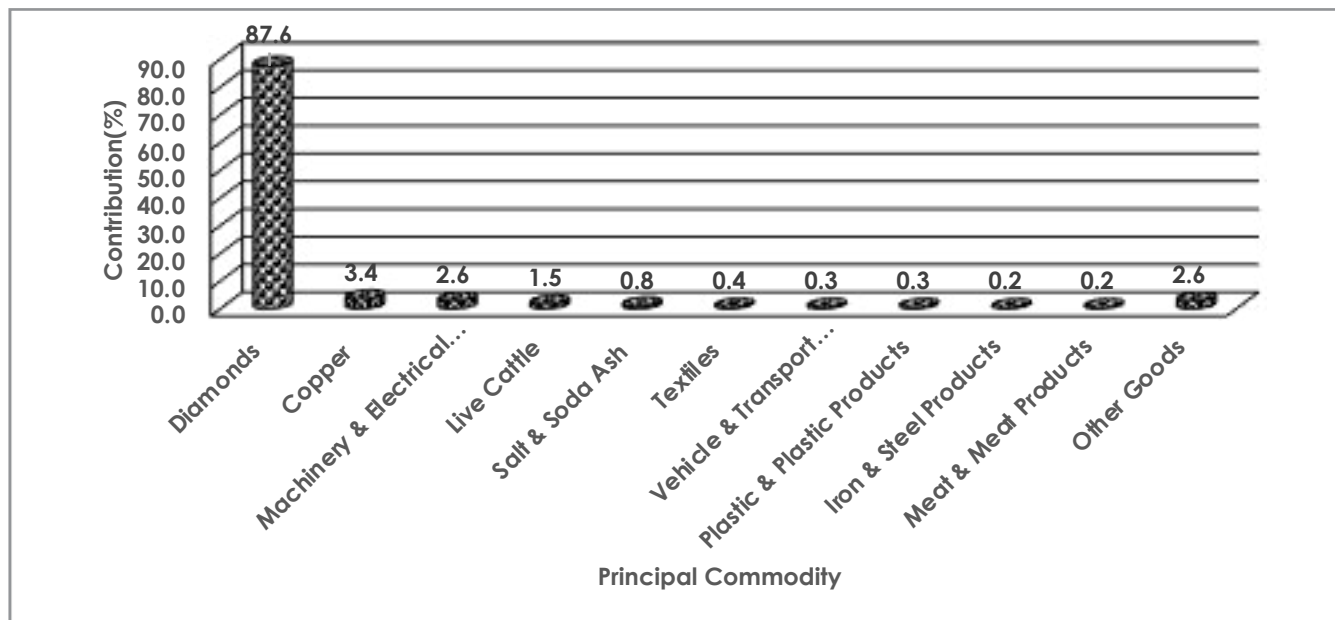


Note: 'Other Goods' here includes any other goods not displayed as in Table 2.1

2.2 Principal Exports

Botswana exported merchandise valued at P8, 864.2 million in May 2022. The Diamonds group accounted for 87.6 percent (P7, 765.4 million), followed by Copper with 3.4 percent (P303.7 million). Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 2.6 percent (P227.2 million) of total exports. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in [Table 2.2](#) and [Chart 2.2](#).

Chart 2.2 Composition of Principal Exports – May 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 May 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

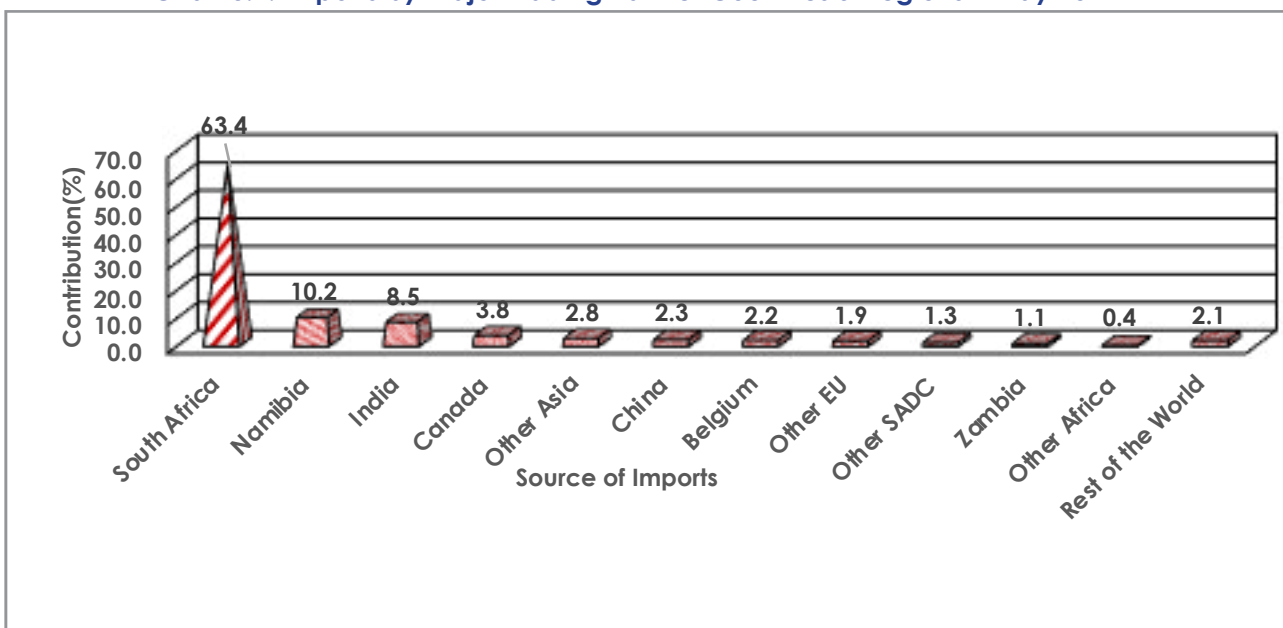
In May 2022, Botswana imported goods worth P8, 380.9 million, with the **SACU** region contributing 74.0 percent (P6, 199.1 million) to the total. The top most imported commodity groups from the customs union were Diamonds; Fuel and Food, Beverages & Tobacco with contributions of 25.7 percent (P1, 591.4 million), 19.5 percent (P1, 206.0 million) and 13.6 percent (P 845.1 million) to imports from the region, respectively (refer to [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#)).

South Africa supplied imports representing 63.4 percent (P5, 315.0 million) of total imports during the current month. Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Diamonds contributed 22.4 percent (P1, 188.0 million), 15.7 percent (P831.8 million) and 14.6 percent (P777.8 million) to total imports from that country, respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products, followed with 13.3 percent (P706.8 million) and 11.3 percent (P601.9 million) respectively. Namibia supplied 10.2 percent (P856.2 million) of total imports during the period, mainly comprising Diamonds and Fuel at 95.0 percent (P 813.6 million) and 2.1 percent (P17.9 million) of total imports from the country, respectively.

In May 2022, imports from Asia were valued at P1, 146.2 million, representing 13.7 percent of total imports. The major commodity groups imported from the regional block were Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with contributions of 56.2 percent (P644.1 million) and 16.8 percent (P193.1 million) of total imports, respectively (tables [3.1A](#) & [3.1B](#)). India and China contributed 8.5 percent (P714.0 million) and 2.3 percent (P193.0 million) respectively.

Botswana received imports worth P342.9 million from the **EU**, accounting for 4.1 percent of total imports during the reference period. The major commodity group imported from the **EU** was Diamonds, at 51.3 percent (P175.7 million) of all imports from the union. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products contributed 20.9 percent (P71.6 million) and 13.2 percent (P45.4 million) respectively. Belgium was the major source of imports from the **EU**, with a contribution of 2.2 percent (P180.5 million) of total imports during the month under review. Canada contributed 3.8 percent (P320.0 million) of total imports. Sources of imports during May 2022 can be viewed in [Table 3.1 A](#) and [Chart 3.1](#).

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



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

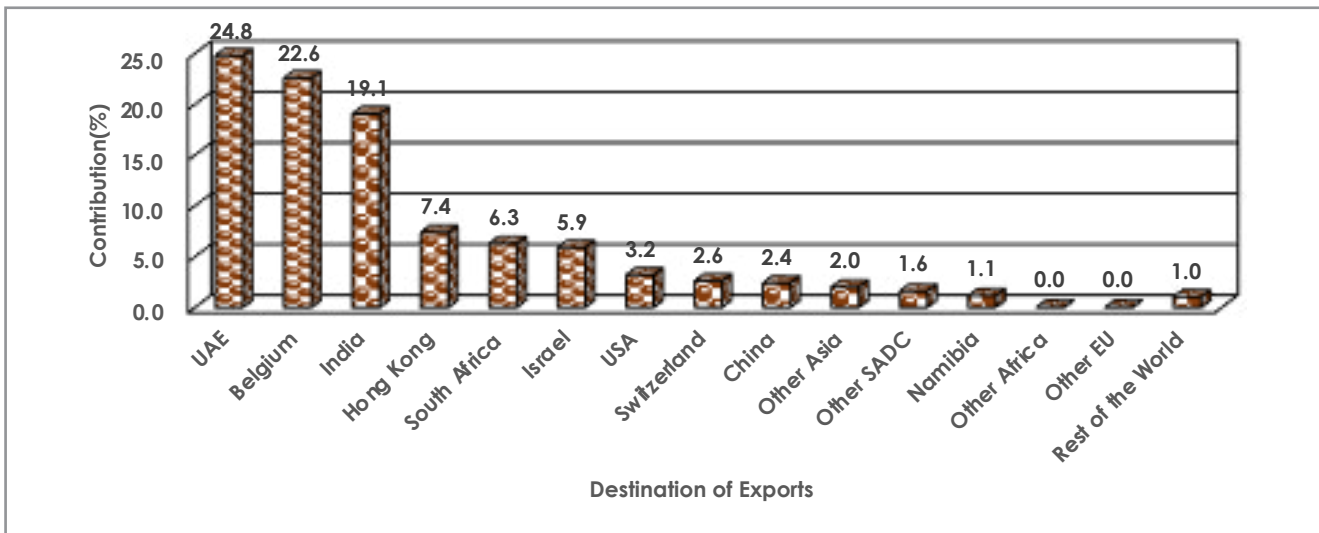
3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Key export destinations for Botswana lie in Asia, Europe as well as the **SACU** region. Asia was the top destination for Botswana exports, having received 61.5 percent (P5, 453.3 million) of total exports in May 2022. These exports were mainly destined for the **UAE** and India, which received 24.8 percent (P2, 197.2 million) and 19.1 percent (P1, 690.4 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**.

In May 2022, exports destined to the **EU** amounted to P2, 003.7 million, accounting for 22.6 percent of total exports. Belgium received almost all the exports destined to the union, acquiring 22.6 percent (P2, 002.0 million) of total exports during the month. The Diamonds group was the main commodity group exported to the **EU**, at 99.9 percent (P2, 001.7 million) as displayed in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

During the reference period, the **SACU** region received exports valued at P658.9 million, accounting for 7.4 percent of total exports. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Live Animals accounted for 30.2 percent (P198.9 million) and 19.9 percent (P130.9 million) of total exports to the customs union respectively (**Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**). South Africa and Namibia received 6.3 percent (P557.3 million) and 1.1 percent (P100.8 million) of total exports respectively, during the month under review (**Table 3.2A**).

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



'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 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.

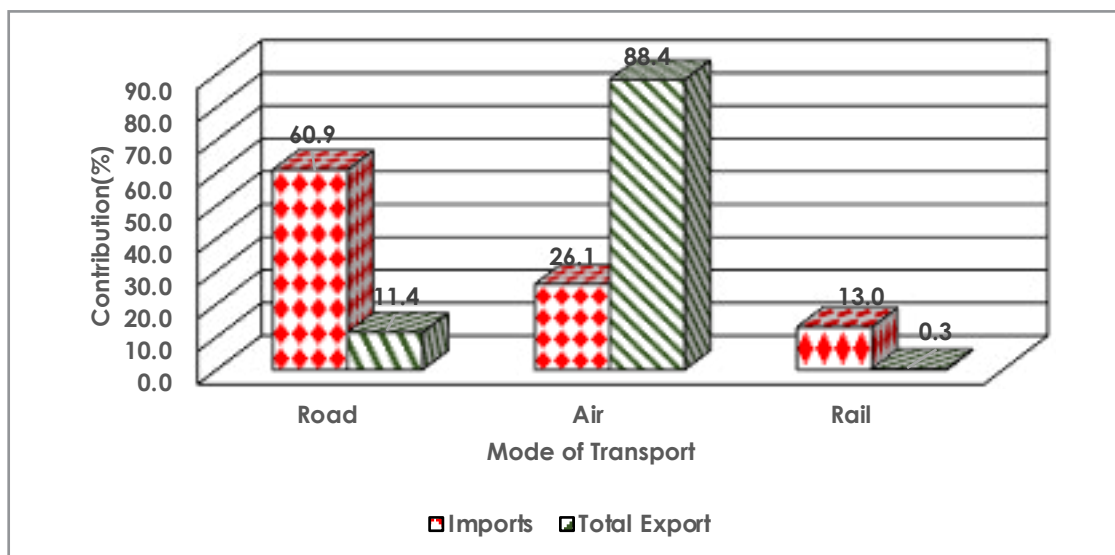
Goods exported by Air during the month under review were valued at P7, 832.3 million, accounting for 88.4 percent of total exports. Those transported by Road and Rail accounted for 11.4 percent (P1, 008.3 million) and 0.3 percent (P22.9 million) respectively.

Imports representing 60.9 percent (P5, 107.2 million) of the monthly total were transported into the country by Road during the month under review. Imports transported by Air and Rail accounted for 26.1 percent (P2, 186.9 million) and 13.0 percent (P1, 086.1 million) respectively.

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

Mode of Transport	Imports		Total Exports	
	Value	%	Value	%
Road	5,107.2	60.9	1,008.3	11.4
Air	2,186.9	26.1	7,832.3	88.4
Rail	1,086.1	13.0	22.9	0.3
Other	0.7	0.0	0.7	0.0
Total	8,380.9	100.0	8,864.2	100.0

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



6.0 ANNEXURE

Table 1.0 : Total Merchandise Trade - January 2020 to May 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	6,443.9	6,178.5	264.0	1.4	4,517.7	0.2	4,518.0	(1,925.9)
Q1	17,674.3	16,914.4	756.2	3.7	13,691.1	10.1	13,701.1	(3,973.1)
Apr	1,383.1	1,295.0	87.7	0.4	173.0	0.1	173.0	(1,210.1)
May	5,030.6	4,792.5	237.5	0.6	3,198.2	0.1	3,198.3	(1,832.3)
Jun	7,335.5	7,082.8	251.7	1.0	1,071.6	0.2	1,071.8	(6,263.7)
Q2	13,749.2	13,170.4	576.8	2.0	4,442.8	0.3	4,443.1	(9,306.1)
Jul	6,039.9	5,747.9	290.7	1.3	2,471.5	0.2	2,471.7	(3,568.1)
Aug	5,786.7	5,564.8	220.6	1.4	3,196.2	1.1	3,197.3	(2,589.4)
Sep	8,171.6	7,932.4	238.0	1.1	7,798.8	0.4	7,799.2	(372.4)
Q3	19,998.1	19,245.1	749.3	3.7	13,466.6	1.7	13,468.3	(6,529.8)
Oct	8,258.5	7,994.7	262.7	1.0	6,007.7	0.7	6,008.4	(2,250.0)
Nov	7,099.5	6,824.7	272.6	2.1	5,552.0	0.0	5,552.0	(1,547.4)
Dec	7,783.4	7,485.0	296.6	1.8	5,941.9	0.6	5,942.5	(1,840.9)
Q4	23,141.3	22,304.4	832.0	5.0	17,501.6	1.4	17,502.9	(5,638.4)
Total_2020	74,562.9	71,634.3	2,914.2	14.4	49,102.0	13.5	49,115.5	(25,447.5)
Jan_2021	7,250.7	6,987.7	261.6	1.4	8,688.2	0.3	8,688.5	1,437.8
Feb	6,401.9	6,130.6	269.7	1.6	6,443.6	0.0	6,443.6	41.7
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	939.0
Apr	6,856.3	6,563.8	291.2	1.3	5,030.5	0.0	5,030.5	(1,825.8)
May	7,815.4	7,523.5	290.5	1.4	4,898.1	0.0	4,898.1	(2,917.3)
Jun	7,723.4	7,451.1	270.7	1.6	7,367.8	0.9	7,368.8	(354.7)
Q2	22,395.1	21,538.4	852.4	4.3	17,296.4	0.9	17,297.3	(5,097.7)
Jul	6,705.5	6,428.4	275.9	1.3	7,930.1	0.2	7,930.3	1,224.8
Aug	8,903.0	8,560.5	340.8	1.7	7,367.5	0.0	7,367.5	(1,535.4)
Sep	6,751.3	6,473.1	276.6	1.6	6,553.6	1.9	6,555.5	(195.8)
Q3	22,359.8	21,462.0	893.3	4.5	21,851.3	2.0	21,853.3	(506.5)
Oct	9,002.9	8,649.4	351.0	2.5	5,029.7	0.7	5,030.5	(3,972.4)
Nov	8,528.0	8,175.9	349.8	2.3	6,700.6	4.3	6,704.9	(1,823.2)
Dec	7,606.7	7,263.5	341.6	1.7	7,199.1	5.5	7,204.6	(402.1)
Q4	25,137.6	24,088.8	1,042.5	6.4	18,929.4	10.5	18,939.9	(6,197.7)
Total_2021	93,125.3	89,435.4	3,670.2	19.7	82,248.5	13.9	82,262.3	(10,863.0)
Jan_2022	7,284.2	6,970.5	311.9	1.9	8,423.4	0.0	8,423.4	1,139.2
Feb	8,272.9	7,932.7	337.9	2.2	8,804.4	0.1	8,804.5	531.6
Mar	10,007.2	9,613.0	391.7	2.4	8,542.2	0.3	8,542.5	(1,464.7)
Q1	25,564.3	24,516.2	1,041.6	6.5	25,770.0	0.3	25,770.4	206.1
Apr	6,971.1	6,665.0	304.2	1.9	6,528.2	0.0	6,528.2	(442.9)
May	8,380.9	8,071.7	307.6	1.6	8,864.2	0.0	8,864.2	483.3

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

Period \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metal & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2020	520.6	751.4	801.1	1,037.3	54.6	761.7	207.1	60.6	93.8	382.7	116.8	172.0	4,959.8
Feb	527.0	1,144.8	823.5	731.1	71.8	868.0	282.3	71.5	154.3	820.2	149.6	626.5	6,270.6
Mar	619.2	1,672.4	865.8	1,080.7	65.3	864.0	248.6	53.9	148.9	466.2	128.5	230.4	6,443.9
Q1	1,666.8	3,568.6	2,490.4	2,849.1	191.7	2,493.8	738.0	186.0	397.0	1,669.0	394.9	1,029.0	17,674.3
Apr	273.3	0.0	521.2	208.9	5.8	193.3	34.8	5.7	32.7	18.2	34.7	54.4	1,383.1
May	537.8	974.1	573.8	1,011.8	33.8	486.6	148.1	30.6	117.0	792.6	86.5	237.8	5,030.6
Jun	665.6	3,426.7	670.4	548.0	65.8	766.5	229.3	59.4	122.9	462.3	126.0	192.8	7,335.5
Q2	1,476.7	4,400.8	1,765.4	1,768.7	105.5	1,446.4	412.2	95.7	272.6	1,273.1	247.2	485.1	13,749.2
Jul	639.4	942.4	783.8	1,725.3	57.2	664.4	263.0	62.0	105.8	467.5	129.6	199.4	6,039.9
Aug	556.3	1,734.4	786.0	722.3	69.3	633.4	241.1	71.5	128.8	396.3	125.6	321.7	5,786.7
Sep	686.1	3,848.5	912.0	613.9	73.5	723.0	273.5	65.0	146.5	438.5	148.7	242.4	8,171.6
Q3	1,881.7	6,525.3	2,481.9	3,061.5	200.0	2,020.7	777.6	198.6	381.1	1,302.3	403.9	763.5	19,998.1
Oct	633.4	3,545.1	942.8	737.8	89.0	887.0	349.9	72.6	150.1	437.1	145.1	268.5	8,258.5
Nov	667.5	2,255.0	943.2	652.7	80.1	829.0	390.6	65.5	173.5	618.1	163.4	260.9	7,099.5
Dec	673.0	2,775.8	897.5	599.6	70.6	625.5	333.9	62.7	121.0	1,155.4	151.2	317.2	7,783.4
Q4	1,973.9	8,575.9	2,783.6	1,990.1	239.6	2,341.5	1,074.4	200.9	444.6	2,210.6	459.7	846.6	23,141.3
Total_2020	6,999.1	23,070.6	9,521.2	9,669.4	736.8	8,302.4	3,002.2	681.2	1,495.3	6,455.0	1,505.7	3,124.2	74,562.9
Jan_2021	550.6	3,348.0	852.0	653.8	42.7	611.9	274.7	75.1	123.3	381.4	117.7	219.6	7,250.7
Feb	550.5	2,086.4	795.1	784.4	68.2	738.7	345.3	65.7	152.6	438.2	129.8	246.8	6,401.9
Mar	998.0	3,691.6	890.7	903.9	90.4	929.0	399.4	69.1	174.6	918.2	194.2	321.1	9,580.1
Q1	2,099.1	9,126.1	2,537.8	2,342.1	201.3	2,279.6	1,019.3	209.9	450.5	1,737.8	441.7	787.5	23,232.8
Apr	653.1	1,925.5	806.3	853.8	64.4	738.7	346.9	69.2	177.1	835.9	148.7	236.8	6,856.3
May	658.9	2,883.7	837.9	812.3	62.2	868.0	412.0	70.9	135.8	688.8	159.8	225.0	7,815.4
Jun	773.3	2,846.3	866.5	860.0	67.5	876.8	384.4	78.8	133.6	459.9	147.7	228.6	7,723.4
Q2	2,085.2	7,655.5	2,510.8	2,526.1	194.1	2,483.5	1,143.3	219.0	446.4	1,984.6	456.2	690.4	22,395.1
Jul	634.4	2,181.2	842.7	899.5	53.8	810.6	358.0	74.7	118.5	359.1	154.0	219.0	6,705.5
Aug	748.7	3,563.0	831.4	1,074.2	81.9	962.2	432.1	75.8	156.6	517.1	195.8	264.1	8,903.0
Sep	724.1	1,616.2	954.4	865.9	85.3	957.0	389.7	76.2	189.6	454.6	181.8	256.5	6,751.3
Q3	2,107.2	7,360.3	2,628.5	2,839.6	221.0	2,729.9	1,179.8	226.7	464.7	1,330.8	531.7	739.6	22,359.8
Oct	881.1	3,413.6	1,041.3	1,091.0	86.4	960.9	321.8	70.4	236.5	511.9	162.9	225.2	9,002.9
Nov	796.2	2,997.1	1,036.0	1,108.3	85.1	931.0	392.2	67.9	224.9	480.1	174.4	234.8	8,528.0
Dec	814.7	2,090.8	966.4	1,212.7	61.4	832.4	307.2	61.6	153.7	724.7	151.6	229.4	7,606.7
Q4	2,492.0	8,501.5	3,043.7	3,412.1	232.9	2,724.2	1,021.2	199.9	615.1	1,716.6	488.9	689.4	25,137.6
Total_2021	8,783.5	32,643.4	10,720.8	11,119.9	849.1	10,217.2	4,363.7	855.5	1,976.8	6,769.8	1,918.5	2,906.9	93,125.3
Jan_2022	1,075.4	2,225.2	877.0	1,086.7	39.3	787.7	281.1	60.4	132.0	429.6	130.8	159.0	7,284.2
Feb	628.7	3,295.7	876.5	1,044.3	61.9	1,001.9	350.6	58.9	185.0	428.9	142.2	198.3	8,272.9
Mar	859.0	3,702.5	1,182.8	1,436.2	68.3	1,053.0	509.5	63.7	212.1	513.0	165.7	241.5	10,007.2
Q1	2,563.1	9,223.4	2,936.3	3,567.2	169.4	2,842.6	1,141.2	183.0	529.1	1,371.5	438.7	598.8	25,564.3
Apr	672.1	1,674.8	901.9	1,409.7	61.4	929.8	372.9	58.3	165.1	390.4	140.8	194.1	6,971.1
May	784.6	2,735.9	885.3	1,438.1	96.8	1,056.2	395.9	70.1	180.8	356.0	148.6	232.6	8,380.9
% Contributions													
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
Apr	9.6	24.0	12.9	20.2	0.9	13.3	5.3	0.8	2.4	5.6	2.0	2.8	100.0
May	9.4	32.6	10.6	17.2	1.2	12.6	4.7	0.8	2.2	4.2	1.8	2.8	100.0

Table 2.2 Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2020 to May 2022 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Copper & Nickel	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
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	183.8	43.4	92.9	254.2	13,701.1
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	729.1	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	21,853.3
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	98.0	15.0	13.9	73.4	22.2	20.0	121.6	7,204.6
Q4	490.7	16,707.8	80.5	3.3	51.7	221.2	411.2	43.3	72.0	234.4	74.2	208.7	341.0	18,939.9
Total_2021	1,223.3	74,129.5	387.7	15.7	241.9	876.0	1,930.7	161.0	356.4	808.5	216.6	458.1	1,457.0	82,262.3
January	200.7	7,680.9	35.8	2.1	24.3	106.0	94.5	3.8	21.9	68.5	16.1	22.3	146.3	8,423.4
February	208.7	8,024.3	19.2	1.5	17.4	106.0	181.0	8.4	24.5	59.8	17.5	39.3	96.9	8,804.5
March	242.9	7,525.8	47.2	1.6	20.2	105.9	296.3	15.4	24.9	76.9	20.8	34.4	130.2	8,542.5
Q1	652.3	23,231.0	102.2	5.1	61.9	318.0	571.9	27.6	71.3	205.2	54.4	96.1	373.4	25,770.4
Apr	367.3	5,550.5	31.0	0.2	21.0	88.0	211.5	12.3	26.4	42.1	23.1	30.8	123.8	6,528.2
May	303.7	7,765.4	0.0	5.1	21.1	131.8	227.2	19.4	28.2	74.2	32.5	29.0	226.5	8,864.2
% Contributions														
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
Apr	5.6	85.0	0.5	0.0	0.3	1.3	3.2	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.5	1.9	100.0
May	3.4	87.6	0.0	0.1	0.2	1.5	2.6	0.2	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.3	2.6	100.0

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

Flow Type	Total Exports						Imports					
	Period \ HS	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900
Jan_2020	0.0	0.9	0.0	4,767.9	470.9	5,239.7	191.6	0.0	0.0	185.2	374.7	751.4
Feb	1.8	9.8	0.0	2,100.7	802.3	2,914.7	251.4	0.0	0.0	458.4	435.0	1,144.8
Mar	0.0	8.1	0.0	3,088.9	681.3	3,778.3	310.9	0.4	0.0	1,098.4	262.7	1,672.4
Q1	1.8	18.8	0.0	9,957.6	1,954.5	11,932.6	753.8	0.4	0.0	1,742.0	1,072.3	3,568.6
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	0.8	0.0	2,453.7	477.0	2,931.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	900.2	73.9	974.1
Jun	0.0	0.7	0.0	264.9	377.7	643.3	267.1	1.2	0.0	2,731.8	426.6	3,426.7
Q2	0.0	1.6	0.0	2,718.6	854.7	3,574.9	267.1	1.2	0.0	3,632.1	500.4	4,400.8
Jul	0.0	3.0	0.0	1,336.6	648.8	1,988.4	236.0	0.0	0.0	388.1	318.3	942.4
Aug	0.0	1.9	0.0	2,160.5	442.1	2,604.5	53.1	0.0	0.0	1,562.4	118.9	1,734.4
Sep	0.0	5.6	0.0	6,417.1	874.9	7,297.6	0.0	12.0	0.0	3,655.1	181.4	3,848.5
Q3	0.0	10.4	0.0	9,914.2	1,965.8	11,890.4	289.1	12.0	0.0	5,605.6	618.7	6,525.3
Oct	0.1	13.7	0.0	4,940.0	463.6	5,417.3	658.4	5.3	0.0	2,717.4	164.0	3,545.1
Nov	0.0	9.4	0.0	4,325.4	667.5	5,002.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	1,948.2	306.7	2,255.0
Dec	0.0	8.3	0.0	5,010.7	468.0	5,486.9	319.7	5.4	0.0	2,361.9	88.8	2,775.8
Q4	0.1	31.3	0.0	14,276.1	1,599.1	15,906.5	978.1	10.8	0.0	7,027.5	559.5	8,575.9
Total_2020	1.8	62.2	0.0	36,866.4	6,374.1	43,304.5	2,288.2	24.5	0.0	18,007.1	2,750.9	23,070.6
Jan_2021	0.0	23.2	0.0	7,942.0	240.3	8,205.5	82.4	6.0	0.0	2,941.5	318.1	3,348.0
Feb	0.0	7.1	0.0	5,304.1	680.6	5,991.9	324.7	5.1	0.0	1,366.1	390.5	2,086.4
Mar	0.0	20.0	0.0	7,897.3	538.3	8,455.6	0.0	5.3	0.0	3,006.8	679.5	3,691.6
Q1	0.0	50.3	0.0	21,143.4	1,459.3	22,653.0	407.2	16.4	0.0	7,314.4	1,388.1	9,126.1
Apr	0.0	2.0	0.0	3,630.9	838.6	4,471.4	0.0	5.5	0.0	1,443.9	476.1	1,925.5
May	0.0	6.5	0.0	3,530.5	743.0	4,280.0	298.0	3.9	0.0	2,147.0	434.9	2,883.7
Jun	0.0	12.1	0.0	5,951.3	746.6	6,710.0	263.7	0.0	0.0	1,914.8	667.8	2,846.3
Q2	0.0	20.6	0.0	13,112.7	2,328.2	15,461.5	561.7	9.4	0.0	5,505.7	1,578.8	7,655.5
Jul	0.0	12.7	0.0	6,423.2	774.1	7,210.0	268.0	5.1	0.0	1,545.2	362.8	2,181.2
Aug	0.0	1.2	0.0	5,072.8	1,252.0	6,326.1	246.7	7.0	0.0	3,069.3	240.0	3,563.0
Sep	0.0	23.7	0.0	4,755.2	992.2	5,771.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,373.8	242.4	1,616.2
Q3	0.0	37.6	0.0	16,251.2	3,018.4	19,307.2	514.7	12.1	0.0	5,988.4	845.2	7,360.3
Oct	0.0	26.6	0.0	3,575.8	741.2	4,343.6	362.3	9.7	0.0	2,760.7	280.8	3,413.6
Nov	0.0	70.7	0.0	4,926.0	802.4	5,799.1	0.0	15.1	0.1	2,788.4	193.6	2,997.1
Dec	0.0	43.6	0.0	5,482.0	1,039.5	6,565.1	252.2	13.7	0.0	1,235.2	589.6	2,090.8
Q4	0.0	140.9	0.0	13,983.8	2,583.0	16,707.8	614.6	38.4	0.1	6,784.4	1,064.0	8,501.5
Total_2021	0.0	249.4	0.0	64,491.2	9,388.9	74,129.5	2,098.1	76.4	0.1	25,592.8	4,876.0	32,643.4
Jan_2022	0.0	8.2	0.0	6,705.0	967.7	7,680.9	0.0	11.8	0.0	1,922.0	291.4	2,225.2
Feb	0.0	53.2	0.0	6,694.2	1,276.9	8,024.3	0.0	18.6	0.0	2,756.0	521.1	3,295.7
Mar	0.0	28.3	0.0	5,919.0	1,578.5	7,525.8	512.4	14.4	0.0	2,526.5	649.1	3,702.5
Q1	0.0	89.8	0.0	19,318.2	3,823.1	23,231.0	512.4	44.8	0.0	7,204.5	1,461.6	9,223.4
Apr	0.0	28.1	0.0	4,278.0	1,244.4	5,550.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	851.9	822.8	1,674.8
May	0.0	20.7	0.0	6,034.3	1,710.4	7,765.4	0.0	295.3	0.0	1,619.3	821.2	2,735.9

Note: 71022100: Industrial Diamonds unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted; 71022900: Industrial Diamonds, not mounted or set, NES; 71023100: Non- industrial diamonds unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted; 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 –May 2022 (Million Pula)

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metal & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textile & Footwear (IMPORTS)	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods	%
South Africa	601.9	777.8	831.8	1,188.0	66.4	706.8	331.6	61.6	139.5	285.6	138.3	0.0	5,315.0	63.4
Namibia	0.4	813.6	11.3	17.9	0.0	1.1	0.5	8.3	1.1	1.4	0.2	0.0	856.3	10.2
Eswatini	21.9	0.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	2.3	0.0	26.5	0.3
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0
SACU	624.2	1,591.4	845.1	1,206.0	66.4	708.0	332.0	69.9	142.3	287.1	140.7	0.0	6,199.1	74.0
Zambia	2.1	0.0	8.8	50.9	0.1	0.0	23.8	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	88.1	1.1
Other SADC	1.2	0.0	14.9	50.0	0.7	0.5	3.5	0.0	0.7	1.1	3.0	0.0	80.1	1.0
SADC	627.4	1,591.4	868.8	1,306.8	67.2	708.5	359.4	69.9	143.2	288.2	143.7	0.0	6,367.3	76.0
Other Africa	2.6	0.0	0.0	27.9	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	32.1	0.4
Africa	630.0	1,591.4	868.8	1,334.7	67.2	709.7	359.4	69.9	143.3	288.2	143.7	0.0	6,399.3	76.4
India	82.3	570.8	0.3	28.0	0.0	25.4	1.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.3	0.0	714.0	8.5
China	5.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	10.7	136.9	5.1	0.2	21.8	3.6	1.1	0.0	193.4	2.3
Other Asia	13.0	73.3	6.7	51.1	0.1	30.8	27.1	0.0	3.5	28.8	0.8	0.0	238.8	2.8
Asia	100.5	644.1	7.1	79.1	10.8	193.1	33.1	0.2	27.9	32.4	2.2	0.0	1,146.2	13.7
Belgium	3.2	175.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	180.5	2.2
Other EU	42.2	0.0	2.5	20.0	0.0	70.7	1.0	0.0	8.9	4.4	2.0	0.0	162.3	1.9
EU	45.4	175.7	2.5	20.0	0.0	71.6	1.0	0.0	9.0	4.4	2.1	0.0	342.9	4.1
Canada	0.4	317.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	320.0	3.8
Rest of the World	8.2	7.1	6.9	4.2	18.8	81.0	2.0	0.0	0.6	30.9	0.6	0.0	172.5	2.1
Total World	784.6	2,735.9	885.3	1,438.1	96.8	1,056.2	395.9	70.1	180.8	356.0	148.6	0.0	8,380.9	100.0

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

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metal & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textile & Footwear (IMPORTS)	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	11.3	14.6	15.7	22.4	1.2	13.3	6.2	1.2	2.6	5.4	2.6	0.0	100.0
Namibia	0.0	95.0	1.3	2.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	1.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	100.0
Eswatini	82.4	0.0	7.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	8.6	0.0	100.0
Lesotho	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	98.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
SACU	10.1	25.7	13.6	19.5	1.1	11.4	5.4	1.1	2.3	4.6	2.3	0.0	100.0
Zambia	2.4	0.0	10.0	57.8	0.1	0.0	27.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other SADC	1.5	0.0	18.6	62.4	0.9	0.7	4.4	0.0	0.9	1.4	3.7	0.0	100.0
SADC	9.9	25.0	13.6	20.5	1.1	11.1	5.6	1.1	2.2	4.5	2.3	0.0	100.0
Other Africa	8.2	0.0	0.0	87.1	0.0	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
Africa	9.8	24.9	13.6	20.9	1.0	11.1	5.6	1.1	2.2	4.5	2.2	0.0	100.0
India	11.5	79.9	0.0	3.9	0.0	3.6	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
China	2.7	0.0	0.1	0.0	5.5	70.8	2.6	0.1	11.3	1.9	0.6	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	5.4	30.7	2.8	21.4	0.0	12.9	11.3	0.0	1.5	12.1	0.4	0.0	100.0
Asia	8.8	56.2	0.6	6.9	0.9	16.8	2.9	0.0	2.4	2.8	0.2	0.0	100.0
Belgium	1.8	97.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	26.0	0.0	1.5	12.3	0.0	43.5	0.6	0.0	5.5	2.7	1.2	0.0	100.0
EU	13.2	51.3	0.7	5.8	0.0	20.9	0.3	0.0	2.6	1.3	0.6	0.0	100.0
Canada	0.1	99.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Rest of the World	4.7	4.1	4.0	2.5	10.9	46.9	1.1	0.0	0.4	17.9	0.3	0.0	100.0
Total World	9.4	32.6	10.6	17.2	1.2	12.6	4.7	0.8	2.2	4.2	1.8	0.0	100.0

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

Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	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	0.3	1.6	0.0	1.5	18.4	130.9	189.9	15.9	19.4	57.6	19.8	15.7	86.4	557.3	6.3
Namibia	0.0	33.6	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	9.0	0.1	1.1	0.0	1.6	4.5	50.3	100.8	1.1
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0
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	0.3	0.3	0.0
SACU	0.3	35.2	0.0	1.5	19.0	130.9	198.9	16.4	20.6	57.6	21.4	20.2	137.0	658.9	7.4
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	1.0	17.0	1.0	7.2	16.6	11.1	5.0	79.9	140.7	1.6
SADC	0.3	35.2	0.0	1.5	20.9	131.8	215.9	17.4	27.8	74.2	32.5	25.2	216.9	799.7	9.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	2.8	0.0
Africa	0.3	35.2	0.0	4.1	20.9	131.8	215.9	17.4	27.8	74.2	32.5	25.3	216.9	802.5	9.1
UAE	0.0	2,195.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	2,197.2	24.8
India	0.0	1,690.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	1,690.4	19.1
Hong Kong	0.0	653.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	653.6	7.4
Israel	0.0	522.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	522.5	5.9
China	212.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	212.5	2.4
Other Asia	38.7	135.4	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	177.1	2.0
Asia	251.2	5,196.5	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	5,453.3	61.5
Belgium	0.0	2,001.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	2,002.0	22.6
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	1.7	0.0
EU	0.0	2,001.7	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	2,003.7	22.6
USA	0.0	282.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	283.1	3.2
Switzerland	0.0	223.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	5.1	229.2	2.6
Rest of the World	52.2	26.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.3	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.4	92.4	1.0
Total World	303.7	7,765.4	0.0	5.1	21.1	131.8	227.2	19.4	28.2	74.2	32.5	29.0	226.5	8,864.2	100.0

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

Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	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	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.3	3.3	23.5	34.1	2.9	3.5	10.3	3.5	2.8	15.5	100.0
Namibia	0.0	33.3	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	8.9	0.1	1.1	0.0	1.6	4.5	49.9	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	98.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	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
SACU	0.0	5.3	0.0	0.2	2.9	19.9	30.2	2.5	3.1	8.7	3.2	3.1	20.8	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.7	12.1	0.7	5.2	11.8	7.9	3.6	56.7	100.0
SADC	0.0	4.4	0.0	0.2	2.6	16.5	27.0	2.2	3.5	9.3	4.1	3.2	27.1	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	91.8	0.0	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	4.8	0.9	100.0
Africa	0.0	4.4	0.0	0.5	2.6	16.4	26.9	2.2	3.5	9.3	4.0	3.2	27.0	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	0.1	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	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
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
China	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
Other Asia	21.9	76.5	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0
Asia	4.6	95.3	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	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
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	8.2	0.0	15.1	0.0	24.4	0.0	0.1	1.9	50.3	100.0
EU	0.0	99.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
USA	0.0	99.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Switzerland	0.0	97.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	2.2	100.0
Rest of the World	56.5	28.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.1	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.4	100.0
Total World	3.4	87.6	0.0	0.1	0.2	1.5	2.6	0.2	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.3	2.6	100.0

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

Rank	HS	HS Description	Value	%
1	71023100	Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	1,619,296,630	19.3
2	71023900	Other Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:	821,248,848	9.8
3	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1 (g)	678,074,623	8.1
4	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1 (b)	548,008,522	6.5
5	71022100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted industrial Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:	295,320,142	3.5
6	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed produ	143,398,014	1.7
7	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:	98,020,571	1.2
8	27160000	ELECTRICAL ENERGY	96,926,546	1.2
9	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	81,314,551	1.0
10	84314990	OTHER Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 8 4.25 to 84.30:	71,500,372	0.9
11	25232900	Other Portland cement	63,447,683	0.8
12	84749000	Parts Mixing or kneading machines	62,138,809	0.7
13	87089990	OTHER Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05:	57,611,816	0.7
14	85176290	OTHER Machines for the reception	56,427,235	0.7
15	84304900	Other boring or sinking machinery:	43,403,140	0.5
16	85444990	OTHER electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1 000 V:	38,960,904	0.5
17	10059010	Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption	37,682,571	0.4
18	33049990	Other Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations	36,638,212	0.4
19	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	34,811,376	0.4
20	31023000	Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	30,458,802	0.4
21	22060081	Other fermented apple or pear beverages, unfortified,	27,389,886	0.3
22	34012000	Soap in other forms	26,875,657	0.3
23	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substan	26,606,612	0.3
24	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof,	26,343,014	0.3
25	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	26,206,183	0.3
26	04011090	Other Milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other swe etening matter:	26,136,954	0.3
27	27101252	OTHER PREPARED LUBRICATING OILS	25,393,098	0.3
28	44071100	Coniferous Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise,	25,048,701	0.3
29	34029000	Other (surface-active preparations,	24,428,105	0.3
30	85177100	Aerials and aerial reflectors of all kind;	23,691,673	0.3
31	74081100	Copper WireOf which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	23,412,427	0.3
32	85171310	Telephone sets, Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	23,090,683	0.3
33	87100000	Tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles, motorised,	23,083,329	0.3
34	29161900	Other Unsaturated acyclic monocarboxylic acids, their anhydrides, halid es, peroxides, peroxyacids and their derivatives:	23,078,290	0.3
35	27111390	Other Butanes, Liquefied	22,382,779	0.3
36	94069090	Other Prefabricated buildings	22,133,980	0.3
37	73090000	Reservoirs, tanks, vats and similar containers for any	22,104,853	0.3
38	22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters,	22,047,112	0.3
39	84089090	Other engines	22,018,015	0.3
40	85177900	Other Telephone sets,	21,406,103	0.3
41	39269090	Other articles of plastics and articles of other mater	20,412,273	0.2
42	39019090	Other Polymers of ethylene	19,867,783	0.2
43	84304100	Self-propelled	19,742,051	0.2
44	22030090	Other Beer made from malt,	19,653,561	0.2
45	27101201	Aviation spirit, as defined in Additional Note 1 (a)	17,914,172	0.2
46	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	17,829,889	0.2
47	10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	17,726,819	0.2
48	09109900	Other spices	17,726,383	0.2
49	17049000	Other Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate),	17,244,029	0.2
50	30039090	Other - Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02,	17,198,063	0.2

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

Rank	HS	Description	Value	%
51	85439000	Parts;Electrical machines and apparatus, having individual functions, not specified or included elsewhere in this Chapter	16,872,842	0.2
52	84713090	Other portable automatic data processing machines, of	16,279,109	0.2
53	84742000	Crushing or grinding machines	15,747,295	0.2
54	15121990	Other Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof:	15,408,476	0.2
55	68129100	Clothing, clothing accessories, footwear and headgear	15,222,041	0.2
56	85045000	Other inductors	15,146,074	0.2
57	85369090	Other apparatus:	14,733,548	0.2
58	64059090	Other footwear	14,624,304	0.2
59	84439100	Parts and accessories of printing machinery used for printing by means of plates, cylinders and other printing components of heading 84.42	14,437,096	0.2
60	42034000	Other clothing accessories	14,335,286	0.2
61	72286000	Other bars and rods	13,894,306	0.2
62	84295190	Other Front-end shovel loaders:	13,844,632	0.2
63	87163100	TANKER TRAILERS AND TANKER SEMI-TRAILERS	13,738,344	0.2
64	19053100	SWEET BISCUITS	13,650,463	0.2
65	72223000	Other bars and rods	13,543,118	0.2
66	48181000	TOILET PAPER	13,266,594	0.2
67	87043190	Other Motor vehicles for the transport of goods:	13,223,664	0.2
68	90189000	Other instruments and appliances	13,202,544	0.2
69	87033390	Other vehicles,Of a cylinder capacity exceeding 2 500 cm³:	13,140,489	0.2
70	84295900	Other Front-end shovel loaders:	13,111,498	0.2
71	90158000	Other instruments and appliances	12,853,859	0.2
72	17011400	OTHER CANE SUGAR	12,679,905	0.2
73	87042181	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 0	12,566,798	0.1
74	73269090	Other articles of iron or steel:	12,417,236	0.1
75	85446090	Other electric conductors, for a voltage exceeding 1 000 V: Not Elsewhere specified	12,356,930	0.1
76	94035000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom	12,325,040	0.1
77	87012920	Road tractors for semi-trailers: Of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	12,131,422	0.1
78	16041317	Sardines (pilchards) (SARDINOPS SPP.), in airtight metal containers	12,100,324	0.1
79	36020000	Prepared explosives (excluding propellant powders)	11,740,919	0.1
80	85158000	Other machines and apparatus	11,734,320	0.1
81	04012009	Other milk, whether or not containing added minerals,	11,494,011	0.1
82	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	11,422,369	0.1
83	19049090	Other (cereals (other than maize (corn), in grain form	11,403,658	0.1
84	85371090	Other Boards, panels, consoles, desks, cabinets and other bases,	11,399,708	0.1
85	38089399	Other Herbicides, anti-sprouting products and plant-growth regulators	11,310,387	0.1
86	76129040	CANS OF A CAPACITY NOT EXCEEDING 500 ML	11,133,258	0.1
87	62171090	Other clothing accessories	11,009,960	0.1
88	84314300	PARTS FOR BORING OR SINKING MACHINERY OF SUBHEADING 84	10,987,791	0.1
89	19023000	Other pasta	10,948,748	0.1
90	69074000	Finishing ceramics	10,712,653	0.1
91	84714100	Automatic data processing machines and units thereof Comprising in the same housing at least a central processing unit	10,712,212	0.1
92	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09):	10,563,984	0.1
93	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified	10,395,494	0.1
94	23099092	Other Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	10,108,708	0.1
95	85043300	Having a power handling capacity exceeding 16 kVA but not exceeding 500 kVA	9,972,117	0.1
96	40118020	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber, Of a kind used on construction, mining or industrial handling vehicles and machines:	9,834,496	0.1
97	39012000	Polyethylene having a specific gravity of 0,94 or more	9,337,302	0.1
98	38249999	Other mixtures	9,212,651	0.1
99	63059090	Other Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods	9,145,176	0.1
100	20099010	Mixtures of Fruit juices	9,096,853	0.1
Top 100 Imported			6,192,699,643	73.9
Other Imported			2,188,174,950	26.1
Total			8,380,874,594	100.0

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

Rank	HS	Description	Value	%
1	71023100	Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	6,034,301,560	68.1
2	71023900	Other Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:	1,710,421,602	19.3
3	26030000	COPPER ORES AND CONCENTRATES	303,700,724	3.4
4	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	132,061,888	1.5
5	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	106,611,435	1.2
6	28362000	DISODIUM CARBONATE	57,233,390	0.6
7	30024200	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	55,419,171	0.6
8	27011900	Other coal	49,731,522	0.6
9	85444290	OTHER electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1 000 V:	33,869,182	0.4
10	01022900	Other (cattle)	25,214,507	0.3
11	71022100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted industrial Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:	20,687,203	0.2
12	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	18,807,814	0.2
13	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	16,698,871	0.2
14	27011200	Bituminous coal	16,092,855	0.2
15	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton	15,104,339	0.2
16	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	14,868,485	0.2
17	82075000	Tools for drilling (excluding rock drilling)	12,751,566	0.1
18	88022000	Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen mass not exceeding 2 000 kg	11,847,000	0.1
19	84213990	Other Filtering or purifying machinery and apparatus for gases	10,204,656	0.1
20	62171090	Other clothing accessories	7,749,845	0.1
21	84314990	OTHER Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 8 4.25 to 84.30:	6,305,191	0.1
22	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	6,165,336	0.1
23	85442090	Other Co-axial cable and other co-axial electric conductors:	5,934,767	0.1
24	03057110	Shark fins: Dried, whether or not salted but not smoked	5,156,594	0.1
25	12060000	Sunflower seeds, whether or not broken	4,809,156	0.1
26	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:	4,766,424	0.1
27	72043000	WASTE AND SCRAP OF TINNED IRON OR STEEL	4,202,244	0.0
28	41015090	Other Whole hides and skins, of a weight exceeding 16kg	4,095,094	0.0
29	58081000	BRAIDS IN THE PIECE	4,071,528	0.0
30	85071099	Other lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines	3,951,434	0.0
31	88079000	Other Parts of railway or tramway locomotives or rolling-stock:	3,636,368	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:	3,411,344	0.0
33	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	3,280,365	0.0
34	85284910	Colour, with a screen size not exceeding 3 m x 4 m	3,166,860	0.0
35	02011000	Carcasses and half-carcasses (meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled)	3,054,624	0.0
36	48202000	Exercise books	3,012,737	0.0
37	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	3,003,968	0.0
38	42034000	Other clothing accessories	2,969,430	0.0
39	72142000	Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel Containing indentations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process or twisted after rolling	2,919,854	0.0
40	81121300	WASTE AND SCRAP Beryllium:	2,911,602	0.0
41	78020000	LEAD WASTE AND SCRAP	2,671,702	0.0
42	11042310	Chopped dried kernels, of maize(corn) not further prepared or processed	2,419,714	0.0
43	30021500	Immunological products, put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale	2,405,268	0.0
44	84291900	Other Bulldozers and angledozers:	2,386,463	0.0
45	22083010	Whiskies, In containers holding 2 li or less	2,358,266	0.0
46	23021000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of maize (corn)	2,197,676	0.0
47	84295900	Other Front-end shovel loaders:	2,166,865	0.0
48	74040090	Other Copper waste and scrap:	2,148,887	0.0
49	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	2,015,000	0.0
50	17011400	OTHER CANE SUGAR	1,967,118	0.0
Top 50 Exported			8,756,939,494	98.8
Other Exported			107,241,266	1.2
Total			8,864,180,760	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.