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List of Acronyms

CIF : Cost, Insurance and Freight

EU : European Union FOB : Free On Board

IMTS : International Merchandise Trade Statistics

NES : Not Elsewhere Specified

SACU : Southern Africa Customs Union

SADC: Southern Africa Development Community

UAE : United Arab Emirates
USA : United States of America

Preface

This report is a revision of the original. The revision is in Table B: Trade by Mode of Transport - March 2024 (Million Pula). It was realised that the modes of transport were swapped, hence the old table has been replaced.

International Merchandise Trade Statistics measure the flows of goods across national borders and can be used to spot emerging markets, gauge competition, and identify export and import opportunities. As a result, it is integral to the process of globalization by keeping track of all exchanges of goods between trading partners. The transaction reflects the value and quantity of goods that add to (Imports) or subtract from (Exports), the stock of material resources of a country. Trade statistics continue to be one of the key indicators of economic performance and global competitiveness.

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 March 2024. The report provides summaries of international trade in goods, as shown in Table 1.0. Tables 2.1 and 2.2 show trade by Principal commodity groupings for imports and exports, respectively, whereas Table 2.3 solely shows trade in diamonds. 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 March 2024 are presented in Table 3.1B for imports and Table 3.2B for exports. The top traded import and export commodities excluding diamonds for March 2024 are presented in Tables 4.1A & 4.2A respectively. This is to guide users on opportunities to produce commodities for import substitution or possible exportation.

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

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

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

Dr Lucky Mokgatlhe **Acting Statistician General** May 2024

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 March 2024. International merchandise trade statistics records all goods which add to, or subtract from, the stock of material resources of a country by entering (as imports) or leaving (as exports) its economic territory.

In March 2024, Imports stood at P6, 991.0 million, registering a decrease of 5.8 percent from the revised February 2024 value of P7, 420.0 million. The top imported commodity groups were Fuel at 19.1 percent, followed by Diamonds, Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Machinery & Electrical Equipment at 17.5 percent, 15.9 percent and 13.9 percent, respectively. Chemicals & Rubber Products contributed 10.5 percent.

The Southern African Customs Union (SACU) was the main source of imports at 78.2 percent. Asia and the European Union (EU) accounted for 7.2 percent and 4.0 percent of total imports, respectively. South Africa, Namibia and Canada supplied imports accounting for 62.8 percent, 15.0 percent and 5.5 percent respectively (Table 3.1A).

In March 2024, Botswana's overall exports increased by 30.2 percent from the revised February 2024 value of P3, 470.8 million to P4, 518.5 million. Diamonds and Copper led the total exports with contributions of 67.1 percent and 17.0 percent respectively.

During the period under review, Botswana's exports were mostly absorbed by Asia with a market share of 63.0 percent. **SACU** and the **EU** received 13.4 percent and 11.4 percent of total exports, respectively. Botswana's top export destinations were the United Arab Emirates (UAE), India and South Africa having received exports representing 28.6 percent, 18.1 percent and 12.7 percent of total exports respectively. (Table 3.2A).

Goods exported by Air accounted for 69.3 percent of total exports, while those transported by Road and Rail represented 30.3 percent and 0.4 percent respectively. Imports representing 74.7 percent of the total were transported into the country by Road. Goods imported by Air and Rail accounted for 18.3 percent and 7.0 percent of total imports respectively (Table B).

During March 2024, merchandise worth P22, 981.8 million transited through the country to various destinations. Goods accounting for 61.2 percent of total goods in transit were routed through Martins Drift border post. Kazungula Bridge and Mamuno border posts followed with 23.0 percent and 7.8 percent respectively, (Table C1). The top transiting goods were chapter 74 (Copper and articles thereof) at 32.7 percent, Chapter 28 (Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes) at 24.0 percent and chapter 99 (Commodities not specified according to kind) at 16.5 percent of all goods on transit (Table C2).

1.0 **Total Trade**

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance between countries or regions over a specific period. The discussions are based on March 2024, which is also referred to as the reference period, the period under review or the current month, throughout the digest.

1.1 Data Revision

The current monthly digest is based on preliminary figures with regard to the reference period. Revisions in the monthly trade statistics data are always necessary because they allow for the incorporation of the additional and improved data that were not available at the previous release date, or when there are late customs duty assessments. Revisions are made on a monthly basis when monthly data files are uploaded into the database, thereby bringing additional information for previous months. In some instances, revisions are negligible, while notably significant in others.

The inclusion of additional data in March 2024 resulted in the upward revision to both trade flows for February 2024. Imports increased by 2.2 percent (P159.8 million) while total exports rose by 20.2 percent (P583.5 million). **Table A** shows revised data comparing figures in the February 2024 digest and the current.

Table A: Data Revision: February 2024 (Million Pula)

Period	As at Fe	ebruary 202 (P Million)	4 Digest	As at	March 2024 (P Million)	Digest	Diffe	erence (P m	illion)	Difference as %			
Indicators	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	
Feb	7,260.2	2,887.3	(4,372.9)	7,420.0	3,470.8	(3,949.2)	159.8	583.5	423.7	2.2	20.2	(9.7)	

⁽⁾ denotes negative

1.2 **Imports**

Imports are valued at Cost, Insurance & Freight (CIF), the price includes the value of goods, insurance and freight costs required for delivering the commodities to the destination, but excludes customs or any other duties paid on arrival at the border of the importing country.

Botswana received imports amounting to P6, 991.0 million during March 2024, registering a decrease of 5.8 percent (P429.0 million) from the revised February 2024 figure of P7, 420.0 million despite an increase in Diamonds imports by 61.7 percent (P466.8 million). The decrease was mainly attributed to the decline in the importation of Fuel, Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products. Fuel imports declined by 17.6 percent (P285.7 million), from P1, 622.8 million in February 2024 to P1, 337.1 million recorded in March 2024. Machinery & Electrical equipment recorded a decrease of 21.1 percent (P259.9 million), from P1, 233.8 million to P973.9 million while Chemicals & Rubber Products dropped by 16.1 percent (P141.4 million), from P878.4 million to P736.9 million during the period under consideration (Table 2.1).

1.3 **Total Exports**

Botswana's export earnings rose by 30.2 percent (P1, 047.7 million) from the revised value of P3, 470.8 million recorded in February 2024 to P4, 518.5 million during the period under review. Diamonds exports rose by 51.4 percent (P1, 028.8 million), playing a pivotal role in the overall increase of total exports as shown in **Table 2.2**.

1.4 Trade Balance

Botswana's trade has persistently recorded trade deficit since September 2023. In March 2024, the country recorded a deficit of P2, 472.5. **Chart 1.0** displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2022 to March 2024.

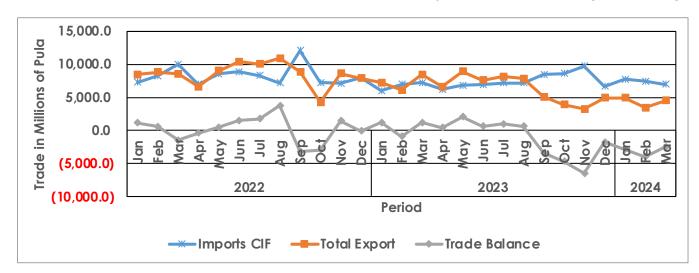


Chart 1.0: Total International Merchandise Trade – January 2022 to March 2024 (Million Pula)

2.0 Trade by Principal Commodity Groups

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

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

2.1 **Principal Imports**

Botswana received imports valued at P6, 991.0 million in March 2024. The top imported groups were Fuel; Diamonds and Food, Beverages & Tobacco. Fuel contributed 19.1 percent (P1, 337.1 million) followed by Diamonds and Food, Beverages & Tobacco at 17.5 percent (P1, 223.6 million) and 15.9 percent (P1, 109.0 million) to total imports respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products were also among Botswana's leading imported groups, having contributed 13.9 percent (P973.9 million) and 10.5 percent (P736.9 million) respectively. Contributions made by other commodity groups can be viewed in Table 2.1 and Chart 2.1.

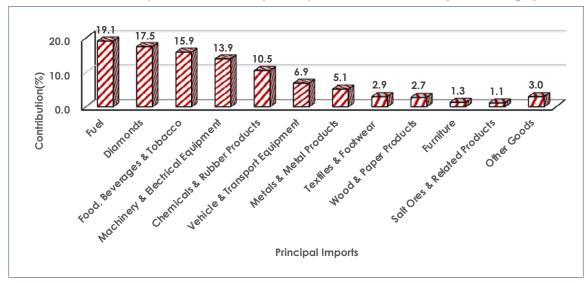


Chart 2.1: Composition of Principal Imports – March 2024 (Percentage)

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

2.2 **Principal Exports**

Botswana exported merchandise amounting to P4, 518.5 million in March 2024. Diamonds was the leading export commodity group with a contribution of 67.1 percent (P3, 030.7 million), followed by Copper with contributions of 17.0 percent (P766.7 million). Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in **Table 2.2** and **Chart 2.2**.

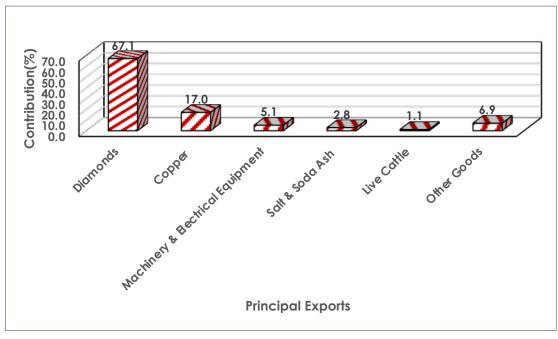


Chart 2.2 Composition of Principal Exports – March 2024 (Percentage)

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

Direction of Trade 3.0

The direction of Trade analyses the value of merchandise trade disaggregated according to a country's primary trading partners. As a result the direction of trade outlines 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 partner countries, regions and principal commodity groups for imports and exports, during March 2024 appears in Table 3.1 A 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.

Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions 3.1

Botswana imported goods worth P6, 991.0 million, with the **SACU** region contributing largest at 78.2 percent (P5, 466.5 million) to the total, during the period under review. Fuel and Food, Beverages & Tobacco were the most imported commodity groups from the customs union accounting for 22.6 percent (P1, 237.2 million) and 18.7 percent (P1, 022.4 million), respectively. Diamonds and Chemicals & Rubber Products made contributions of 14.1 percent (P771.3 million) and 10.9 percent (P595.6 million) to total imports from the union respectively. Among the SACU member states, South Africa was the largest source at 62.8 percent (P4, 393.0 million) of total imports. Namibia followed with 15.0 percent (P1, 049.7 million) of total imports. These are displayed in Table 3.1A and Table 3.1B.

During the period of assessment, Botswana imported goods totalling P506.5 million from Asia, which accounted for 7.2 percent of the total imports. The main commodity groups imported were Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Diamonds with contributions of 52.8 percent (P267.5 million) and 10.6 percent (P53.7 million) of total imports, respectively. In Asia, China contributed highest at 4.5 percent (P317.2 million) to total imports respectively. Figures are shown in Table 3.1A and Table 3.1B.

Botswana received imports from the **EU** valued at P279.2 million, contributing 4.0 percent of the total imports. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products were the key commodity groups imported from the Union at 29.4 percent (P82.0 million) and 26.8 percent (P74.7 million) respectively. Germany made contribution of 1.6 percent (P112.8 million) to the total imports (Table 3.1A and Table 3.1B).

Imports accounting for 5.5 percent (P382.9 million) of total imports were sourced from Canada during the month under review. The main import commodity group was Diamonds at 96.7 percent (P370.1 million) of total imports from that country. The USA supplied imports worth P73.6 million, accounting for 1.1 percent of Botswana's total imports. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & rubber Products being the main commodities supplied at 44.0 percent (P32.4 million) and 20.7 percent (P15.2 million) respectively. Sources of imports during March 2024 can be viewed in Table 3.1 A and Chart 3.1.

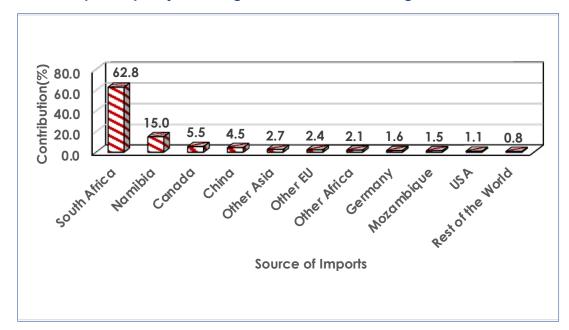


Chart 3.1: Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – March 2024

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

3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

During the period under review, Botswana exported goods valued at P4, 518.5 million. Exports to Asia were the highest at 63.0 percent (P2, 845.5 million), rendering the block the main destination market for Botswana. Top exports destinations within Asia were the **UAE**, India and China at 28.6 percent (P1, 291.5 million), 18.1 percent (P819.7 million) and 8.6 percent (P386.6 million) of total exports, respectively. Diamonds and Copper were the major commodity groups exported to Asia, at 86.1 percent (P2, 450.2 million) and 13.6 percent (P386.6 million) respectively as shown in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

Exports destined to the **SACU** region accounted for 13.4 percent (P605.4 million) of total exports during the month under review. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Salt & Soda Ash were the major commodity groups exported to the customs union. These accounted for 34.5 percent (P208.9 million) and 18.4 percent (P111.2 million) of total exports to the regional block respectively. South Africa was the main recipient of exports to **SACU**, at 12.7 percent (P572.0 million) of total exports, as in **Table 3.2A**.

The **EU** received exports amounting to P513.8 million, reflecting 11.4 percent of total exports in March 2024. Belgium received most of exports destined for the union, at 11.3 percent (P511.8 million) of total exports. Diamonds was the main commodity group exported to the **EU** at 99.6 percent (P511.6 million), as displayed in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

During March 2024, Australia received exports worth P335.0 million, representing 7.4 percent of Botswana's total exports. Copper was the sole commodity group exported to Australia.. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

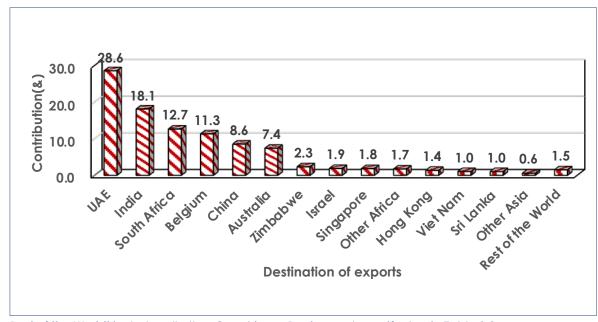


Chart 3.2: Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – March 2024

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 for March 2024. This is intended to present the most traded goods (excluding Diamonds) with a view to guiding users on opportunities to produce commodities for import substitution, possible exportation and economic diversification.

5.0 Imports and Exports by Mode of Transport

Trade by mode of transport refers to categorising trade activities based on the method of transportation used to move goods between countries or regions. This classification helps in understanding the flow of goods across borders and can provide insights into trade patterns, identifying bottlenecks and infrastructure needs and can be used as guidance in formulating transport policies. Active modes of transport mainly used in Botswana for movement of 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 month under review, goods valued at P3, 132.1 million, representing 69.3 percent of total exports, were transported by Air. Goods exported by Road and Rail accounted for 30.3 percent (P1, 368.9 million) and 0.4 percent (P16.5 million) of total exports, respectively.

Imports representing 74.7 percent (P5, 222.3 million) of the monthly total were transported into the country by Road during the month under review.

Imports transported by Air amounted to P1, 276.6 million, representing 18.3 percent of the total, while imports transported by Rail, worth 490.5 million, constituted 7.0 percent of the total.

Table B: Trade by Mode of Transport – March 2024 (Million Pula)

Flow Type	lmp	orts	Total Exports		
Mode of Transport	BW Pula	%	BW Pula	%	
Road	5,222.3	74.7	1,368.9	30.3	
Air	1,276.6	18.3	3,132.1	69.3	
Rail	490.5	7.0	16.5	0.4	
Other	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Total	6,991.0	100.0	4,517.5	100.0	

[&]quot;Other Modes..." includes Inland water ways and Postal service transport

80.0
70.0
60.0
50.0
10.0
20.0
10.0
0.0
Road
Air
Rail
Mode of Transport

Chart B: Trade by Mode of Transport – March 2024 (Percentage)

6.0 Transit Trade

Transit trade refers to the movement of goods from one country to another through a third country, without the goods being subject to customs duties and other import restrictions in the intermediary country. Essentially, it involves the transportation of goods across a country that lies between the country of origin and the final destination. Countries that serve as transit hubs often provide infrastructure and services to facilitate transit trade. These countries may benefit economically from transit trade through fees, tariffs, or other charges associated with transportation services or by stimulating economic activity related to trade and transportation.

Overall, the purpose of transit trade is to overcome geographical, logistical, and economic constraints to facilitate the movement of goods between countries or regions efficiently, cost-effectively and securely. It plays a crucial role in promoting international trade, economic development, and regional integration.

Countries involved in transit trade typically have agreements and protocols in place to govern the movement of goods through their territory without the imposition of customs duties and other trade barriers. This helps to streamline the transportation of goods and reduce logistical challenges for businesses engaged in international trade.

Transit trade is subject to compliance with specific regulations and documentation requirements to ensure the proper monitoring and control of the movement of goods. Violations or misuse of transit trade arrangements can lead to penalties and legal consequences.

During March 2024, goods amounting to P22, 981.8 million transited through Botswana destined for various countries. Martins Drift border post, Kazungula bridge and Mamuno were the major border posts through which Goods transited, handled goods accounting for 61.2 percent (P14, 065.6 million), 23.0 percent (P5, 285.4 million) and 7.8 percent (P1, 786.9 million) respectively, as displayed in **Table C1** and **Chart C1**.

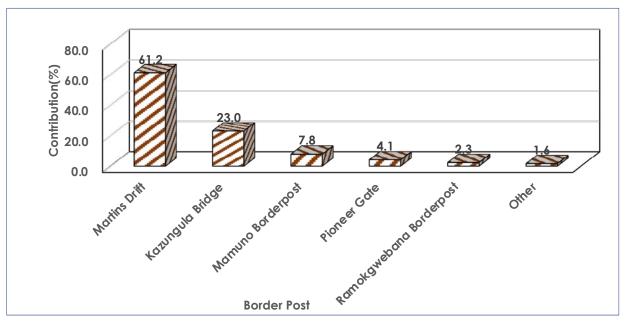
The top most transiting goods were chapters 74 (Copper and articles thereof) at 32.7 percent (P7, 521.5 million) and chapter 28 (Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes) at 24.0 percent (P5, 505.6 million). Chapter 99 (Commodities not specified according to kind) followed with a contribution of 16.5 percent (P3, 789.4 million), as shown in **Table C2** and **Chart C2**.

Table C1: Transit Trade by Border Post – March 2024 (Million Pula)

Border Post	BW Pula (Million)	%
Martins Drift	14,065.6	61.2
Kazungula Bridge	5,285.4	23.0
Mamuno Borderpost	1,786.9	7.8
Pioneer Gate	944.5	4.1
Ramokgwebana Borderpost	533.0	2.3
Other	366.5	1.6
Total	22,981.8	100.0

[&]quot;Other Border Posts..." includes all border posts in Botswana not displayed on Table C1

Chart C1: Transit Trade by Border Post – March 2024 (Percentage)

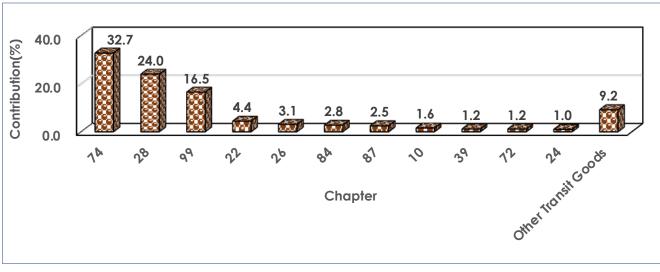


[&]quot;Other Border Posts..." includes all border posts in Botswana not displayed on Chart C1

Table C2: Transit by Chapter – March 2024 (Million Pula)

Rank	Chapter	Description	BW Pula (Million)	%
1	74	Copper and articles thereof	7,521.5	32.7
2	28	Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes	5,505.6	24.0
3	99	Commodities not specified according to kind	3,789.4	16.5
4	22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	1,012.6	4.4
5	26	Ores, slag and ash	709.2	3.1
6	84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	632.1	2.8
7	87	Vehicles; other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof	575.5	2.5
8	10	Cereals	362.6	1.6
9	39	Plastics and articles thereof	271.1	1.2
10	72	Iron and steel	266.7	1.2
11	24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	230.1	1.0
Other	Transit Goo	ods	2,105.6	9.2
Total 1	ransit Good	ds	22,981.8	100.0

Chart C2: Transit Trade by Chapter – March 2024 (Percentage)



Other..." includes all chapters not displayed on Chart C2

7.0 **Annexure**

Table 1.0: Total Merchandise Trade – January 2022 to March 2024 (Million Pula)

	Imports	Imports	,		Domestic		Total	Trade
Period \ Indicators	CIF	FOB	Freight	Insurance	Exports	Re-Exports	Exports	Balance
Jan_2022	7,288.5	6,974.5	312.2	1.9	8,446.3	0.0	8,446.3	1,157.8
Feb	8,277.2	7,936.8	338.2	2.2	8,842.9	0.1	8,843.0	565.8
Mar	10,020.5	9,625.8	392.3	2.4	8,550.0	0.3	8,550.2	(1,470.3)
Q1	25,586.3	24,537.1	1,042.6	6.5	25,839.2	0.3	25,839.6	253.3
Apr	6,979.2	6,672.3	304.9	1.9	6,606.8		6,606.8	(372.3)
May	8,578.0	8,253.4	322.9	1.7	9,045.2	0.1	9,045.3	467.3
Jun	8,883.1	8,348.6	532.6	1.8	10,403.3	1.6	10,404.9	1,521.9
Q2	24,440.3	23,274.3	1,160.5	5.4	26,055.3	1.7	26,057.1	1,616.8
Jul	8,286.5	7,935.7	349.2	1.6	10,061.1	0.9	10,062.0	1,775.5
Aug	7,167.3	6,825.0	339.7	2.5	10,913.0	1.7	10,914.7	3,747.4
Sep	12,083.0	11,749.0	331.9	2.0	8,887.6	0.0	8,887.6	(3,195.4)
Q3	27,536.7	26,509.8	1,020.9	6.1	29,861.7	2.6	29,864.3	2,327.6
Oct	7,233.0	6,920.6	310.9	1.4	4,268.7	0.0	4,268.7	(2,964.3)
Nov	7,144.0	6,806.6	335.7	1.7	8,573.4	22.6	8,596.0	1,451.9
Dec	7,959.5	7,661.4	295.9	2.2	7,899.5	0.7	7,900.2	(59.4)
Q4	22,336.6	21,388.7	942.5	5.4	20,741.6	23.3	20,764.9	(1,571.7)
Total_2022	99,899.9	95,709.9	4,166.4	23.5	102,497.8	28.0	102,525.8	2,625.9
Jan_2023	6,030.7	5,749.9	279.3	1.6	7,257.6		7,257.6	1,226.8
Feb	7,002.7	6,708.0	293.2	1.6	6,094.4	6.1	6,100.5	(902.2)
Mar	7,252.2	6,934.2	316.2	1.9	8,449.5	5.7	8,455.2	1,203.0
Q1	20,285.7	19,392.0	888.6	5.1	21,801.5	11.7	21,813.3	1,527.6
Apr	6,215.9	5,937.8	276.7	1.4	6,633.6	2.7	6,636.3	420.4
May	6,841.9	6,528.6	312.3	1.1	8,919.2	3.4	8,922.6	2,080.7
Jun	6,948.0	6,621.9	324.1	2.1	7,596.2	0.5	7,596.7	648.7
Q2	20,005.9	19,088.3	913.0	4.6	23,149.1	6.6	23,155.7	3,149.8
Jul	7,172.6	6,852.9	318.0	1.7	8,159.7	0.1	8,159.8	987.2
Aug	7,199.0	6,863.5	333.6	1.9	7,849.4	0.5	7,849.8	650.8
Sep	8,471.3	8,127.8	341.9	1.6	5,093.7	0.1	5,093.8	(3,377.5)
Q3	22,842.9	21,844.2	993.5	5.2	21,102.8	0.6	21,103.4	(1,739.5)
Oct	8,597.6	8,241.9	354.2	1.6	3,909.7	3.7	3,913.4	(4,684.3)
Nov	9,737.7	9,364.1	370.8	2.8	3,242.7	0.4	3,243.1	(6,494.6)
Dec	6,685.7	6,388.9	294.8	2.0	4,944.0	0.8	4,944.8	(1,740.9)
Q4	25,021.0	23,994.9	1,019.8	6.3	12,096.3	5.0	12,101.3	(12,919.7)
Total_2023	88,155.5	84,319.4	3,815.0	21.1	78,149.7	23.9	78,173.7	(9,981.8)
Jan_2024	7,733.7	7,414.7	316.8	2.2	4,913.8	0.0	4,913.8	(2,819.9)
Feb	7,420.0	7,089.6	328.7	1.8	3,470.6	0.2	3,470.8	(3,949.2)
Mar	6,991.0	6,700.2	288.9	1.8	4,504.1	14.4	4,518.5	(2,472.5)
Q1	22,144.8	21,204.5	934.4	5.9	12,888.5	14.6	12,903.1	(9,241.7)
Change	(429.0)	(389.3)	(39.8)	0.1	1,033.5	14.1	1,047.7	1,476.7
% Change	(5.8)	(5.5)	(12.1)	3.8	29.8	6,119.5	30.2	(37.4)

Change: Difference between the Current and Previous month

Table 2.1: Principal Imports Commodity Groups – January 2022 to March 2024 (Million Pula)

Table 2.1: Pi	incipai ii	npons Co	ommodif	y Groups	- Janu	ary 2022	10 Marc	n 2024	(Million	ruia)			
Period \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2022	1,075.5	2,225.2	877.0	1,089.3	39.3	788.9	281.1	60.4	132.1	429.8	130.9	159.0	7,288.5
Feb	628.7	3,295.7	876.5	1,046.3	61.9	1,003.3	351.1	58.9	185.0	429.2	142.2	198.3	8,277.2
Mar	859.2	3,712.3	1,183.1	1,437.6	68.3	1,053.1	509.5	63.7	212.3	514.2	165.7	241.5	10,020.5
Q1	2,563.4	9,233.3	2,936.6	3,573.3	169.4	2,845.3	1,141.8	183.0	529.4	1,373.1	438.8	598.9	25,586.3
Apr	673.3	1,674.8	903.3	1,410.2	61.4	931.9	373.0	58.3	165.3	392.6	140.8	194.2	6,979.2
May	848.8	2,742.7	900.1	1,439.1	105.4	1,106.2	409.1	70.1	182.1	388.9	150.8	234.7	8,578.0
Jun	809.0	1,128.2	2,314.6	1,723.0	69.7	1,136.8	356.0	68.1	166.4	720.4	148.4	242.5	8,883.1
Q2	2,331.1	5,545.6	4,118.0	4,572.3	236.5	3,174.9	1,138.0	196.6	513.8	1,501.9	440.0	671.4	24,440.3
Jul	695.2	1,548.2	978.8	2,295.6	89.4	1,022.4	369.4	67.9	204.4	620.0	163.7	231.4	8,286.5
Aug	738.1	903.9	1,047.5	1,734.4	72.9	965.4	384.0	78.6	215.9	514.8	183.1	328.7	7,167.3
Sep	854.5	5,769.1	1,038.5	1,469.3	74.9	1,100.7	391.2	65.2	215.9	629.5	194.8	279.6	12,083.0
Q3	2,287.7	8,221.2	3,064.8	5,499.2	237.2	3,088.5	1,144.6	211.7	636.2	1,764.2	541.6	839.7	27,536.7
Oct	750.3	1,309.1	1,032.6	1,499.6	80.9	1,066.5	326.6	61.3	203.7	471.5	160.9	270.0	7,233.0
Nov	970.2	641.5	1,175.9	1,521.8	83.0	1,070.4	381.7	63.0	265.5	484.9	193.9	292.3	7,144.0
Dec	767.2	2,351.7	1,013.6	1,670.7	77.4	751.0	313.3	50.5	167.3	367.6	157.9	271.2	7,959.5
Q4	2,487.8	4,302.3	3,222.2	4,692.0	241.3	2,887.8	1,021.6	174.7	636.4	1,324.1	512.8	833.5	22,336.6
Total_2022	9,670.0	27,302.5	13,341.5	18,336.8	884.5	11,996.5	4,446.0	766.0	2,315.9	5,963.3	1,933.3	2,943.5	99,899.9
Jan_2023	640.3	988.8	907.0	1,338.4	46.6	850.5	279.7	56.3	133.4	418.9	134.9	235.8	6,030.7
Feb	771.5	1,352.4	1,259.9	1,288.5	57.3	894.3	376.9	46.6	180.8	421.3	142.9	210.3	7,002.7
Mar	795.4	818.8	1,221.3	1,511.1	68.3	1,111.2	394.7	65.4	235.4	565.1	179.3	286.1	7,252.2
Q1	2,207.2	3,160.0	3,388.3	4,138.0	172.2	2,856.0	1,051.4	168.3	549.6	1,405.3	457.2	732.1	20,285.7
Apr	768.6	765.9	1,093.7	1,366.8	55.9	817.1	352.0	63.6	197.8	382.5	140.3	211.7	6,215.9
May	902.1	874.4	1,013.1	1,311.5	75.3	1,058.4	391.2	77.3	187.3	550.2	161.8	239.4	6,841.9
Jun	904.4	779.6	1,153.2	1,321.9	80.3	1,120.5	422.4	100.1	153.4	528.0	176.9	207.4	6,948.0
Q2	2,575.1	2,419.9	3,260.0	4,000.1	211.6	2,996.0	1,165.6	240.9	538.5	1,460.7	479.1	658.5	20,005.9
Jul	823.9	811.5	1,077.1	1,437.5	67.3	1,014.1	418.1	63.4	173.8	873.6	167.4	244.8	7,172.6
Aug	916.9	597.0	1,255.8	1,486.1	79.8	1,132.6	431.7	74.8	204.6	572.8	183.6	263.4	7,199.0
Sep	779.5	1,435.5	1,321.3	1,823.0	87.8	1,186.2	449.3	64.7	228.8	625.3	171.8	298.2	8,471.3
Q3	2,520.2	2,844.0	3,654.1	4,746.5	235.0	3,332.9	1,299.1	202.9	607.3	2,071.7	522.8	806.5	22,842.9
Oct	859.2	1,436.6	1,474.9	1,798.8	84.6	1,117.8	409.5	61.5	267.5	561.6	186.1	339.5	8,597.6
Nov	1,151.7	2,276.0	1,436.5	1,854.9	89.7	1,131.3	419.2	68.4	277.5	576.6	198.0	257.9	9,737.7
Dec	760.3	1,097.0	1,045.0	1,404.0	79.6	856.6	366.9	82.7	161.9	468.9	159.2	203.5	6,685.7
Q4	2,771.2	4,809.5	3,956.4	5,057.7	254.0	3,105.7	1,195.7	212.5	706.9	1,607.1	543.4	800.9	25,021.0
Total_2023	10,073.7	13,233.5	14,258.8	17,942.3	872.7	12,290.6	4,711.7	824.6	2,402.2	6,544.9	2,002.4	2,998.1	88,155.5
Jan_2024	914.5	1,826.0	1,107.0	1,355.3	45.9	830.6	323.8	94.2	139.2	760.8	147.1	189.3	7,733.7
Feb	878.4	756.8	1,114.9	1,622.8	88.7	1,233.8	428.1	76.1	203.8	589.9	176.7	250.0	7,420.0
Mar	736.9	1,223.6	1,109.0	1,337.1	91.0	973.9	358.9	78.0	205.6	479.3	190.3	207.5	6,991.0
Q1	2,529.9	3,806.4	3,330.8	4,315.2	225.6	3,038.3	1,110.8	248.3	548.7	1,830.0	514.1	646.8	22,144.8
Change	(141.4)	466.8	(5.9)	(285.7)	2.3	(259.9)	(69.3)	1.9	1.8	(110.6)	13.5	(42.5)	(429.0)
%Contribution													
2023	11.4	15.0	16.2	20.4	1.0	13.9	5.3	0.9	2.7	7.4	2.3	3.4	100.0
Feb	11.8	10.2	15.0	21.9	1.2	16.6	5.8	1.0	2.7	7.9	2.4	3.4	100.0
Mar	10.5	17.5	15.9	19.1	1.3	13.9	5.1	1.1	2.9	6.9	2.7	3.0	100.0
% Change	(16.1)	61.7	(0.5)	(17.6)	2.6	(21.1)	(16.2)	2.5	0.9	(18.7)	7.7	(17.0)	(5.8)

Change: Difference between the Current and Previous month

Table 2.2 Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2022 to March 2024 (Million Pula)

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Period \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2022	29.7	200.7	7,702.8	35.8	24.3	106.1	94.5	3.8	22.9	68.5	16.1	22.3	118.7	8,446.3
Feb	18.2	208.7	8,060.0	19.2	17.4	107.0	181.0	8.4	25.7	59.8	17.5	39.4	80.7	8,843.0
Mar	35.1	244.0	7,525.8	47.2	20.6	106.4	296.3	15.8	29.1	76.9	20.8	34.9	97.2	8,550.2
Q1	83.0	653.5	23,288.6	102.2	62.3	319.4	571.9	28.0	77.8	205.2	54.4	96.6	296.6	25,839.6
Apr	40.6	367.3	5,586.4	31.0	21.9	88.0	211.9	12.3	28.5	42.1	23.2	69.0	84.4	6,606.8
May	66.9	314.6	7,882.7	0.0	22.8	133.9	241.4	19.4	30.9	75.2	34.0	34.5	189.1	9,045.3
Jun	46.3	257.9	9,261.0	43.8	26.9	137.7	237.6	22.2	37.3	93.2	25.5	58.0	157.4	10,404.9
Q2	153.9	939.8	22,730.1	74.8	71.6	359.6	690.9	54.0	96.8	210.5	82.7	161.5	430.8	26,057.1
Jul	60.2	414.9	8,819.4	35.5	23.8	97.4	243.8	14.2	34.0	72.6	23.9	35.5	186.6	10,062.0
Aug	64.6	449.9	9,646.0	30.1	20.1	85.1	217.6	8.8	31.4	125.5	33.1	55.9	146.6	10,914.7
Sep	71.3	304.5	7,760.6	14.1	19.8	14.1	279.3	3.5	36.3	109.1	25.4	116.2	133.3	8,887.6
Q3	196.1	1,169.3	26,226.0	79.7	63.8	196.6	740.7	26.5	101.7	307.3	82.4	207.6	466.5	29,864.3
Oct	85.7	468.9	2,997.5	16.8	20.8	141.4	210.8	4.4	33.8	89.7	29.8	30.0	139.0	4,268.7
Nov	65.1	319.3	7,392.2	16.3	19.9	85.3	295.7	16.2	28.7	91.3	35.0	45.8	185.2	8,596.0
Dec	62.1	466.1	6,669.5	18.3	10.8	82.7	130.8	7.7	22.2	101.9	35.5	110.0	182.7	7,900.2
Q4	212.9	1,254.2	17,059.3	51.4	51.4	309.4	637.4	28.2	84.7	282.9	100.3	185.8	506.9	20,764.9
Total_2022	646.0	4,016.9	89,304.0	308.2	249.2	1,185.0	2,640.9	136.6	361.0	1,006.0	319.8	651.5	1,700.8	102,525.8
Jan_2023	68.6	523.8	6,028.1	16.5	12.0	116.1	204.6	3.2	34.8	106.6	22.8	24.4	96.2	7,257.6
Feb	52.5	454.0	4,857.5	23.1	25.2	116.7	294.5	7.3	28.5	65.7	19.5	63.8	92.0	6,100.5
Mar	46.7	465.9	7,281.7	33.5	18.6	76.6	248.6	12.8	35.4	86.4	22.1	37.8	89.2	8,455.2
Q1	167.8	1,443.8	18,167.3	73.1	55.9	309.3	747.7	23.4	98.6	258.6	64.4	125.9	277.4	21,813.3
Apr	39.5	388.2	5,620.3	40.0	16.7	64.6	179.7	19.9	25.2	87.9	27.4	39.9	87.1	6,636.3
May	54.4	544.6	7,531.2	27.8	26.0	69.7	269.1	23.9	32.9	57.5	45.3	63.7	176.6	8,922.6
Jun	42.0	424.4	6,368.0	21.1	28.7	69.4	265.1	36.5	33.4	68.2	31.8	58.9	149.3	7,596.7
Q2	135.9	1,357.2	19,519.5	88.8	71.4	203.7	713.9	80.3	91.6	213.6	104.5	162.5	412.9	23,155.7
Jul	34.1	636.0	6,767.4	17.4	23.5	26.0	285.7	38.1	27.1	117.4	30.9	32.9	123.2	8,159.8
Aug	30.0	654.3	6,361.5	23.0	27.4	29.6	344.1	58.8	31.5	102.6	30.1	35.2	121.7	7,849.8
Sep	28.2	733.8	3,599.9	19.0	25.4	28.6	267.8	38.9	45.8	106.6	31.4	25.8	142.8	5,093.8
Q3	92.2	2,024.1	16,728.8	59.4	76.3	84.2	897.7	135.7	104.4	326.6	92.3	93.9	387.7	21,103.4
Oct	23.4	705.2	2,387.0	21.4	43.8	16.3	280.4	40.4	37.2	100.2	37.1	91.5	129.5	3,913.4
Nov	26.9	784.7	1,528.2	30.0	30.8	14.9	312.0	28.0	114.1	94.1	40.2	30.1	209.1	3,243.1
Dec	20.5	651.3	3,633.2	13.7	25.2	19.1	111.7	17.8	22.2	214.3	37.5	23.1	155.4	4,944.8
Q4	70.7	2,141.1	7,548.4	65.0	99.8	50.3	704.0	86.3	173.5	408.5	114.8	144.6	494.1	12,101.3
Total_2023	466.6	6,966.2	61,964.0	286.3	303.4	647.6	3,063.2	325.7	468.1	1,207.4	376.0	527.0	1,572.1	78,173.7
Jan_2024	25.7	885.9	3,348.4	20.5	14.7	32.2	214.2	21.4	26.0	141.9	27.2	70.8	84.9	4,913.8
Feb	23.1	674.4	2,001.9	6.1	23.3	42.5	308.8	113.8	33.5	87.9	28.3	28.4	98.8	3,470.8
Mar	23.3	766.7	3,030.7	3.4	30.3	50.0	230.3	38.3	36.3	128.5	26.3	21.7	132.5	4,518.5
Q1	72.1	2,327.0	8,381.0	30.0	68.3	124.7	753.3	173.6	95.8	358.3	81.8	120.9	316.1	12,903.1
Change	0.3	92.4	1,028.8	(2.7)	7.1	7.6	(78.6)	(75.5)	2.8	40.6	(2.0)	(6.7)	33.7	1,047.7
%Contribution	า													
2023	0.6	8.9	79.3	0.4	0.4	8.0	3.9	0.4	0.6	1.5	0.5	0.7	2.0	100.0
Feb	0.7	19.4	57.7	0.2	0.7	1.2	8.9	3.3	1.0	2.5	0.8	0.8	2.8	100.0
Mar	0.5	17.0	67.1	0.1	0.7	1.1	5.1	0.8	8.0	2.8	0.6	0.5	2.9	100.0
% Change	1.1	13.7	51.4	(43.7)	30.3	17.9	(25.4)	(66.3)	8.3	46.1	(7.1)	(23.5)	34.1	30.2

Change: Difference between the Current and Previous month

Table 2.3: Diamonds Trade – January 2022 to March 2024 (Million Pula)

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Period \ HS	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total				
Jan_2022	0.0	11.8	0.0	1,922.0	291.4	2,225.2	0.0	8.2	0.0	6,726.8	967.7	7,702.8				
Feb	0.0	18.6	0.0	2,756.0	521.1	3,295.7	0.0	53.2	0.0	6,729.9	1,276.9	8,060.0				
Mar	512.4	14.4	0.0	2,526.8	658.7	3,712.3	0.0	28.3	0.0	5,919.0	1,578.5	7,525.8				
Q1	512.4	44.8	0.0	7,204.8	1,471.3	9,233.3	0.0	89.8	0.0	19,375.8	3,823.1	23,288.6				
Apr	0.0	0.1	0.0	851.9	822.8	1,674.8	0.0	29.1	0.0	4,311.7	1,245.5	5,586.4				
May	0.0	295.3	0.0	1,619.3	828.0	2,742.7	0.0	20.7	0.0	6,034.3	1,827.7	7,882.7				
Jun	374.7	1.6	0.0	183.0	568.9	1,128.2	0.0	41.0	0.0	7,577.3	1,642.7	9,261.0				
Q2	374.8	296.9	0.0	2,654.3	2,219.7	5,545.6	0.0	90.8	0.0	17,923.4	4,715.9	22,730.1				
Jul	371.6	0.0	0.0	239.7	936.9	1,548.2	0.0	44.3	0.0	7,382.3	1,392.8	8,819.4				
Aug	323.3	0.4	0.0	168.5	411.8	903.9	0.0	62.0	0.0	7,573.2	2,010.9	9,646.0				
Sep	415.3	8.0	0.0	5,088.8	264.3	5,769.1	0.0	37.8	0.0	5,827.4	1,895.4	7,760.6				
Q3	1,110.2	1.2	0.0	5,496.9	1,613.0	8,221.2	0.0	144.1	0.0	20,782.8	5,299.0	26,226.0				
Oct	349.2	0.1	0.0	591.5	368.4	1,309.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,644.0	1,353.5	2,997.5				
Nov	21.2	7.0	0.0	321.7	291.6	641.5	2.4	55.4	0.0	5,656.9	1,677.5	7,392.2				
Dec	534.2	4.8	0.0	1,092.2	720.5	2,351.7	5.9	36.7	0.0	5,405.1	1,221.9	6,669.5				
Q4	904.6	11.9	0.0	2,005.3	1,380.5	4,302.3	8.3	92.1	0.0	12,705.9	4,253.0	17,059.3				
Total_2022	2,902.0	354.8	0.0	17,361.3	6,684.4	27,302.5	8.3	416.8	0.0	70,788.0	18,091.0	89,304.0				
Jan_2023	320.2	0.5	0.0	135.3	532.9	988.8	0.0	34.7	0.0	5,101.8	891.5	6,028.1				
Feb	925.2	0.1	0.0	117.3	309.8	1,352.4	0.0	32.2	0.0	3,520.2	1,305.1	4,857.5				
Mar	426.4	0.2	0.0	76.0	316.2	818.8	0.0	33.3	0.0	5,537.0	1,711.3	7,281.7				
Q1	1,671.7	0.8	0.0	328.6	1,158.9	3,160.0	0.0	100.2	0.0	14,159.1	3,907.9	18,167.3				
Apr	0.0	0.0	0.0	561.2	204.7	765.9	0.0	47.5	0.0	4,323.2	1,249.6	5,620.3				
May	237.7	0.8	0.0	201.0	434.8	874.4	0.0	27.8	0.0	5,954.7	1,548.8	7,531.2				
Jun	26.8	0.2	0.0	431.8	320.9	779.6	342.2	45.2	0.0	4,659.1	1,321.5	6,368.0				
Q2	264.5	1.0	0.0	1,194.0	960.4	2,419.9	342.2	120.5	0.0	14,936.9	4,119.9	19,519.5				
Jul	383.7	0.0	0.0	62.7	365.1	811.5	31.0	33.2	0.0	4,930.5	1,772.6	6,767.4				
Aug	272.7	0.1	0.0	77.0	247.3	597.0	0.0	101.3	0.0	4,552.5	1,707.7	6,361.5				
Sep	0.0	0.3	0.0	1,077.3	357.9	1,435.5	0.0	0.9	0.0	2,432.0	1,166.9	3,599.9				
Q3	656.4	0.4	0.0	1,216.9	970.4	2,844.0	31.0	135.5	0.0	11,915.0	4,647.3	16,728.8				
Oct	581.2	0.0	0.0	459.6	395.8	1,436.6	0.0	1.7	0.0	591.8	1,793.5	2,387.0				
Nov	0.3	0.0	0.1	1,687.4	588.2	2,276.0	0.0	57.2	0.0	329.2	1,141.8	1,528.2				
Dec	260.5	1.0	0.0	545.3	290.2	1,097.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	2,819.3	812.9	3,633.2				
Q4	842.0	1.0	0.1	2,692.3	1,274.2	4,809.5	0.0	59.9	0.0	3,740.3	3,748.3	7,548.4				
Total_2023	3,434.7	3.1	0.1	5,431.7	4,363.9	13,233.5	373.2	416.1	0.0	44,751.4	16,423.3	61,964.0				
Jan_2024	373.2	0.0	0.0	1,268.5	184.3	1,826.0	0.0	3.3	0.0	2,978.4	366.8	3,348.4				
Feb	283.8	0.2	0.0	357.6	115.3	756.8	0.0	1.0	0.0	1,795.1	205.8	2,001.9				
Mar	370.1	0.0	0.0	807.7	45.7	1,223.6	0.0	7.5	0.0	2,565.7	457.5	3,030.7				
Q1	1,027.1	0.2	0.0	2,433.8	345.3	3,806.4	0.0	11.8	0.0	7,339.2	1,030.1	8,381.0				

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 - March 2024 (Million Pula)

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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	% Contribution
South Africa	590.6	0.0	999.8	986.6	74.1	542.2	300.6	63.4	170.2	360.7	146.4	158.4	4,393.0	62.8
Namibia	0.3	771.3	8.7	250.6	0.7	0.4	1.1	14.3	0.0	1.9	0.2	0.1	1,049.7	15.0
Eswatini	4.7	0.0	13.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	3.1	0.0	22.0	0.3
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0
SACU	595.6	771.3	1,022.4	1,237.2	74.8	543.1	301.7	77.8	171.4	363.0	149.7	158.5	5,466.5	78.2
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	5.1	97.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	105.0	1.5
Other SADC	1.2	0.0	36.2	0.1	0.6	6.1	27.2	0.1	0.7	31.6	4.1	7.4	115.3	1.6
SADC	596.8	771.3	1,063.7	1,334.5	75.4	549.2	328.9	77.9	174.7	394.6	153.8	165.9	5,686.9	81.3
Other Africa	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	3.2	0.0	0.6	7.5	0.1
Africa	598.0	771.3	1,063.8	1,334.5	75.4	551.5	328.9	77.9	174.9	397.8	153.8	166.6	5,694.4	81.5
China	16.8	0.0	0.6	0.0	9.2	231.6	17.1	0.1	17.5	4.8	3.7	15.7	317.2	4.5
Other Asia	24.7	53.7	16.2	1.8	8.0	35.9	3.1	0.0	2.4	45.5	0.6	4.5	189.3	2.7
Asia	41.5	53.7	16.8	1.8	10.1	267.5	20.2	0.1	19.9	50.3	4.3	20.3	506.5	7.2
Germany	40.5	0.0	0.1	0.1	1.7	21.8	0.6	0.0	9.5	4.2	30.9	3.5	112.8	1.6
Other EU	34.2	23.5	21.7	0.7	0.4	60.3	7.1	0.0	0.4	12.9	0.5	4.8	166.4	2.4
EU	74.7	23.5	21.8	0.8	2.1	82.0	7.6	0.0	9.9	17.1	31.4	8.3	279.2	4.0
Canada	1.0	370.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	382.9	5.5
USA	15.2	0.5	0.2	0.1	3.4	32.4	1.1	0.0	0.3	12.4	0.4	7.6	73.6	1.1
Rest of the World	6.5	4.5	6.3	0.0	0.0	29.2	0.9	0.0	0.6	1.6	0.4	4.4	54.4	8.0
World	736.9	1,223.6	1,109.0	1,337.1	91.0	973.9	358.9	78.0	205.6	479.3	190.3	207.5	6,991.0	100.0

Table 3.1B: Total Imports by Country, Region and Principal Import Commodity Groups - March 2024 (Million Pula)

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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	13.4	0.0	22.8	22.5	1.7	12.3	6.8	1.4	3.9	8.2	3.3	3.6	100.0
Namibia	0.0	73.5	0.8	23.9	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	100.0
Eswatini	21.3	0.0	63.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.4	0.0	14.1	0.1	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	23.7	0.1	0.0	59.5	15.8	0.0	0.9	100.0
SACU	10.9	14.1	18.7	22.6	1.4	9.9	5.5	1.4	3.1	6.6	2.7	2.9	100.0
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	4.9	92.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Other SADC	1.0	0.0	31.4	0.1	0.5	5.3	23.6	0.1	0.6	27.4	3.6	6.4	100.0
SADC	10.5	13.6	18.7	23.5	1.3	9.7	5.8	1.4	3.1	6.9	2.7	2.9	100.0
Other Africa	16.8	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	29.9	0.0	0.0	1.5	42.0	0.1	8.2	100.0
AFRICA	10.5	13.5	18.7	23.4	1.3	9.7	5.8	1.4	3.1	7.0	2.7	2.9	100.0
China	5.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	2.9	73.0	5.4	0.0	5.5	1.5	1.2	5.0	100.0
Other Asia	13.0	28.4	8.6	0.9	0.4	19.0	1.6	0.0	1.3	24.0	0.3	2.4	100.0
Asia	8.2	10.6	3.3	0.4	2.0	52.8	4.0	0.0	3.9	9.9	0.8	4.0	100.0
Germany	35.9	0.0	0.1	0.1	1.5	19.3	0.5	0.0	8.4	3.7	27.4	3.1	100.0
Other EU	20.6	14.1	13.0	0.4	0.2	36.2	4.2	0.0	0.2	7.8	0.3	2.9	100.0
EU	26.8	8.4	7.8	0.3	0.7	29.4	2.7	0.0	3.5	6.1	11.2	3.0	100.0
Canada	0.3	96.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
USA	20.7	0.6	0.3	0.1	4.6	44.0	1.5	0.0	0.4	16.9	0.5	10.3	100.0
Rest of the World	11.9	8.2	11.5	0.0	0.1	53.7	1.7	0.0	1.2	3.0	0.7	8.1	100.0
World	10.5	17.5	15.9	19.1	1.3	13.9	5.1	1.1	2.9	6.9	2.7	3.0	100.0

Table 3.2A: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Export Commodity Groups – March 2024 (Million Pula)

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Period ∖ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Contribution
South Africa	21.2	3.5	42.6	3.4	25.7	47.1	200.0	35.5	27.0	111.2	13.1	11.0	30.7	572.0	12.7
Namibia	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	8.9	1.7	3.8	0.0	0.7	4.5	10.5	32.9	0.7
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.5	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	0.0	0.0	0.0
SACU	23.3	3.5	42.6	3.4	26.4	47.1	208.9	37.2	30.9	111.2	13.7	16.0	41.1	605.4	13.4
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.3	13.9	0.0	2.8	6.1	12.3	4.7	64.9	105.6	2.3
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	2.6	6.9	1.1	2.7	11.1	0.2	1.1	18.3	44.4	1.0
SADC	23.3	3.5	42.6	3.4	27.3	50.0	229.7	38.3	36.3	128.5	26.3	21.7	124.4	755.4	16.7
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Africa	23.3	3.5	42.6	3.4	27.3	50.0	229.7	38.3	36.3	128.5	26.3	21.7	124.4	755.4	16.7
UAE	0.0	0.0	1,291.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	1,291.5	28.6
India	0.0	0.0	815.2	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	819.7	18.1
China	0.0	386.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	386.6	8.6
Israel	0.0	0.0	84.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	84.2	1.9
Singapore	0.0	0.0	82.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	82.7	1.8
Hong Kong	0.0	0.0	62.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	62.0	1.4
Viet Nam	0.0	0.0	47.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	47.2	1.0
Sri Lanka	0.0	0.0	46.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.5	1.0
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	21.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.7	25.0	0.6
Asia	0.0	386.6	2,450.2	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.6	2,845.5	63.0
Belgium	0.0	0.0	511.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	511.8	11.3
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	2.0	0.0
EU	0.0	0.0	511.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	513.8	11.4
Australia	0.0	335.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	335.0	7.4
Rest of the World	0.0	41.6	26.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	68.8	1.5
World	23.3	766.7	3,030.7	3.4	30.3	50.0	230.3	38.3	36.3	128.5	26.3	21.7	132.5	4,518.5	100.0

Table 3.2B: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Export Commodity Groups – March 2024 (Million Pula)

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Period \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	3.7	0.6	7.4	0.6	4.5	8.2	35.0	6.2	4.7	19.4	2.3	1.9	5.4	100.0
Namibia	6.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.0	27.2	5.1	11.6	0.0	2.0	13.6	31.8	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	95.3	4.7	100.0
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.0	0.0	75.0	100.0
SACU	3.9	0.6	7.0	0.6	4.4	7.8	34.5	6.1	5.1	18.4	2.3	2.6	6.8	100.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.3	13.2	0.0	2.7	5.8	11.6	4.4	61.5	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	5.9	15.5	2.6	6.0	25.1	0.6	2.4	41.3	100.0
SADC	3.1	0.5	5.6	0.5	3.6	6.6	30.4	5.1	4.8	17.0	3.5	2.9	16.5	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.0	83.6	100.0
Africa	3.1	0.5	5.6	0.5	3.6	6.6	30.4	5.1	4.8	17.0	3.5	2.9	16.5	100.0
UAE	0.0	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	0.0	99.4	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	100.0
China	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	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	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	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Viet Nam	0.0	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
Sri Lanka	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	85.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.7	100.0
Asia	0.0	13.6	86.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	100.0
Belgium	0.0	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	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	79.9	100.0
EU	0.0	0.0	99.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0
Australia	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
Rest of the World	0.0	60.5	38.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	100.0
World	0.5	17.0	67.1	0.1	0.7	1.1	5.1	0.8	0.8	2.8	0.6	0.5	2.9	100.0

Table 4.1 A: Top Imported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – March 2024 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contribution(%) Against Total Non Diamonds Imports	Contribution(%) Against Total Imports
1	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1(g)	695.8	12.1	10.0
2	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1(b)	536.8	9.3	7.7
3	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	95.7	1.7	1.4
4	84314990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 84.25 to 84.30:	93.0	1.6	1.3
5	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons	73.8	1.3	1.1
6	25232900	Other Portland cement	72.6	1.3	1.0
7	85177900	Aerials and aerial reflectors of all kind; parts suitable for use therewith	62.5	1.1	0.9
8	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	59.0	1.0	0.8
9	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)	49.2	0.9	0.7
10	85444990	OTHER Insulated (including enamelled or anodised) wire, cable (including co-axial cable)	45.9	0.8	0.7
11	87089990	OTHER Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05	44.2	0.8	0.6
12	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	44.0	0.8	0.6
13	10059010	Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption, not further prepared or processed and not packaged as seeds (excluding pop corn (ZEA MAYS EVERTA))	43.0	0.7	0.6
14	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	38.9	0.7	0.6
15	17011300	CANE SUGAR SPECIFIED IN SUBHEADING NOTE 2 TO THIS CHAPTER	36.8	0.6	0.5
16	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the process of cooking food	33.7	0.6	0.5
17	84749000	Parts Machinery for sorting, screening, separating, washing, crushing, grinding, mixing or kneading earth, stone, ores or other mineral substances	33.3	0.6	0.5
18	34012000	Soap in other forms	32.3	0.6	0.5
19	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	31.6	0.5	0.5
20	88023000	Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen mass exceeding 2 000 kg but not exceeding 15 000 kg	31.5	0.5	0.5
21	84137090	Other centrifugal pumps	30.9	0.5	0.4
22	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substances	30.8	0.5	0.4
23	85171310	Telephone sets, including telephones for cellular networks or for other wir eless networks; other apparatus for the transmission or reception of voice, images or other data, Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	30.0	0.5	0.4
24	33049990	Other Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin (other than medicaments), including sunscreen or sun tan preparations	29.8	0.5	0.4
25	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	28.1	0.5	0.4

Table 4.1 A: Top Imported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – February 2024 (Million Pula) Continued

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contribution(%) Against Total Non Diamonds Imports	Contribution(%) Against Total Imports
26	49119990	Other printed matter	27.6	0.5	0.4
27	30039090	"Other - Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail"	27.3	0.5	0.4
28	74081100	Copper wire Of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	26.6	0.5	0.4
29	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	26.0	0.5	0.4
30	10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	25.9	0.4	0.4
31	27101252	Other prepared lubricating oils	25.9	0.4	0.4
32	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	24.7	0.4	0.4
33	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	24.5	0.4	0.4
34	39201090	Other plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, Of polymers of ethylene	23.7	0.4	0.3
35	87043181	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 000 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg, or of a mass not exceeding 1 600 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg per chasis fitted with a cab	22.8	0.4	0.3
36	44071100	Coniferous Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or finger-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm, Of pine (Pinus spp.)	22.2	0.4	0.3
37	85176290	Apparatus designed for use when carried in the hand or on te person (excluding two-way radios)	21.9	0.4	0.3
38	22060081	Other fermented apple or pear beverages, unfortified, with an alcoholic strength of at least 2.5 per cent by volume but not exceeding 15 per cent by volume, With an alcohol content exceeding 5 per cent	20.4	0.4	0.3
39	87032490	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:	20.2	0.3	0.3
40	39269099	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	20.0	0.3	0.3
41	10079000	Other (Grain Sorghum)	19.9	0.3	0.3
42	20099010	Mixtures of Fruit juices	19.7	0.3	0.3
43	27111390	Other Butanes, Liquefied	19.7	0.3	0.3
44	39019090	Other Polymers of ethylene	19.1	0.3	0.3
45	87012920	Tractors (other than tractors of heading 87.09) Of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	18.5	0.3	0.3
46	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	18.5	0.3	0.3
47	87032190	Other vehicles, with only spark-ignition internal combustion piston engine, NES	18.3	0.3	0.3
48	87033390	Other, used vehicles of cylinder capacity exceeding 2500 cm	17.7	0.3	0.3
49	84139100	Parts: Of pumps	17.7	0.3	0.3
50	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content exceeding 5 per cent	17.4	0.3	0.2
Тор	50 Imported N	Non Diamond Goods	2,849.3	49.4	40.8
Othe	er Non Diamo	nd Imports Goods	2,918.1	50.6	41.7
Total	l Non-Diamor	nd Goods	5,767.4	100.0	82.5
Dian	nonds Imports		1,223.6		17.5
Total	l Imports		6,991.0		100.0

Table 4.1 B: Top Exported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – March 2024 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contribution(%) Against Total Non Diamonds Imports	Contribution(%) Against Total Imports
1	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	763.1	51.3	16.9
2	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	135.7	9.1	3.0
3	28362000	Disodium carbonate	105.5	7.1	2.3
4	30024200	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	41.8	2.8	0.9
5	85444290	Electric conductors, for a voltage <= 1.000 V, insulated, fitted with connectors, n.e.s. (other than of a kind used for telecommunications)	38.2	2.6	0.8
6	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	35.5	2.4	0.8
7	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	27.3	1.8	0.6
8	01022900	Other (cattle)	22.7	1.5	0.5
9	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	22.5	1.5	0.5
10	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	22.3	1.5	0.5
11	27011200	Bituminous coal	13.9	0.9	0.3
12	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton	10.3	0.7	0.2
13	27011900	Other coal	9.5	0.6	0.2
14	72165000	Other angles, shapes and sections, not further worked than hot-rolled, hot-drawn or extruded	7.6	0.5	0.2
15	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	7.5	0.5	0.2
16	85446090	Electric conductors for a voltage > 1.000 V, insulated, not with copper conductors, n.e.s	7.4	0.5	0.2
17	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	7.0	0.5	0.2
18	72043000	Waste and scrap of tinned iron or steel	6.9	0.5	0.2
19	64059090	Other footwear	5.8	0.4	0.1
20	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	5.5	0.4	0.1
21	74040010	Copper waste and scrap:Of refined copper	5.3	0.4	0.1
22	85071099	Other lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines	4.6	0.3	0.1
23	94069090	Other Prefabricated buildings	4.5	0.3	0.1
24	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	3.9	0.3	0.1
25	84295190	Other Machinery with a 360° revolving super structure	3.8	0.3	0.1

Table 4.1 B: Top Exported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – March 2024 (Million Pula) Continued.

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contribution(%) Against Total Non Diamonds Imports	Contribution(%) Against Total Imports
26	26040000	Nickel ores and concentrates	3.7	0.2	0.1
27	85442090	Other Co-axial cable and other co-axial electric conductors NES	3.6	0.2	0.1
28	87041090	Other- Dumpers designed for off-highway use	3.6	0.2	0.1
29	63019000	Other blankets and travelling rugs	3.6	0.2	0.1
30	71081200	Gold (including gold plated with platinum) unwrought or in semi- manufactured forms, or in powder form Other unwrought forms	3.4	0.2	0.1
31	72042100	Waste and scrap of cast iron Of stainless steel	3.4	0.2	0.1
32	62171090	Other clothing accessories	3.4	0.2	0.1
33	60069000	Other knitted or crocheted fabrics	3.3	0.2	0.1
34	84869000	PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	3.3	0.2	0.1
35	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	3.3	0.2	0.1
36	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	3.2	0.2	0.1
37	87042110	Shuttle cars for use in underground mines; low construction flame-proof vehicles, equipped with control mechanisms both in the front and at the rear, for use in underground mines	3.2	0.2	0.1
38	78020000	Lead waste and scrap	3.1	0.2	0.1
39	74040090	Other copper waste and scrap	2.9	0.2	0.1
40	11031310	Maize meal not further processed other than by the addition of minerals and vitamins not exceeding 1 per cent by mass of the final product, solely for the purpose of increasing the nutritional value	2.9	0.2	0.1
41	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons	2.8	0.2	0.1
42	39269099	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	2.8	0.2	0.1
43	84314990	Other parts suitable use of oth moving, grading, levelling, scraping, excavating, tamping, compacting.	2.7	0.2	0.1
44	88022000	Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen mass not exceeding 2 000 kg	2.6	0.2	0.1
45	39251000	Reservoirs, tanks, vats and similar containers, of a capacity exceeding 300 li	2.6	0.2	0.1
46	41039090	Other raw hides and skins	2.6	0.2	0.1
47	42034000	Other clothing accessories	2.4	0.2	0.1
48	85285990	Other monitors nes	2.4	0.2	0.1
49	30021500	Immunological products, put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale	2.3	0.2	0.1
50	84799000	Parts-Machinery for preparing or making up tobacco, not specified or included elsewhere in this Chapter	2.1	0.1	0.0
Тор	50 Exporte	d Non-Diamond Goods	1,393.3	93.6	30.8
Oth	er Non-Dia	mond Exports Goods	92.9	6.2	2.1
Toto	ıl Non-Dian	nond Exports	1,487.8	100.0	32.9
Dia	monds Expo	orts	3,030.7		67.1
Toto	I Exports		4,518.5		100.0

8.0 **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.

8.1 **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.

8.2 **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.

8.3 **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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