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Preface

International Merchandise Trade Statistics play a crucial role in the world economy. It is an account of all transactions of goods between a country and its trading partners. The account measures the value and quantity of goods that add to or subtract from the stock of material resources of a country, by entering (imports) or leaving (exports) its economic territory. Therefore, trade statistics remains one of the major indicators of the performance of a country's economy and its competitiveness in the world market.

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

This publication outlines Botswana's monthly International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) during September 2021. It shows summaries of total international merchandise trade as presented in **Table 1.0**. Trade by principal commodity groups is presented in **Table 2.1** for imports and **Table 2.2** for exports, while **Table 2.3** gives trade on diamonds only. 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 September 2021 are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. **Table 4.1A** presents statistics on commodities that were mostly imported during September 2021, while exports are given in **Table 4.1B**.

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

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Executive Summary

This International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) monthly digest provides a summary of trade statistics on Botswana's total imports and exports of goods for September 2021.

Imports were valued at P6, 560.4 million during the month of September 2021, reflecting a decline of 26.2 percent from the revised August 2021 value of P8, 894.3 million. Total exports during the same month amounted to P6, 077.4 million, displaying a decrease of 15.9 percent from the revised August 2021 value of P7, 223.1 million.

Diamonds; Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the leading import commodity groups; with contributions of 23.3 percent, 14.5 percent and 14.1 percent respectively. During the month under review, Diamonds, Copper & Nickel and Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 87.7 percent, 4.1 percent and 3.1 percent to total exports, respectively.

In September 2021, imports from **SACU** contributed 77.9 percent to total imports, while those from Asia and the **EU** accounted for 10.2 percent and 4.5 percent, respectively. Imports from South Africa accounted for 66.0 percent of total imports. Namibia, Canada and the Russian Federation provided imports representing 11.4 percent, 3.6 percent and 2.4 percent, respectively.

During the current month, exports destined to Asia, the **EU** and **SACU** accounted for 57.1 percent, 27.7 percent and 10.5 percent of the monthly total, respectively. Belgium, the **UAE** and Singapore received exports representing 27.6 percent, 19.9 percent and 13.6 percent of the monthly total, respectively.

Air transport accounted for 88.7 percent of total exports during the reference period, while exports by Road transport represented 11.0 percent. Imports by Road accounted for 67.4 percent whereas those entering the country by Air and Rail represented 19.7 percent and 13.0 percent, respectively.

1.0 Total Trade

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

1.1 Data Revision

Statistics for previous monthly digests contain preliminary figures which are subsequently revised when new information becomes available. Revisions are made on a monthly basis, when monthly data files are uploaded into the database, bringing additional information for previous months. In some instances, revisions are negligible while significant in others.

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

Imports for July 2021 decreased by 9.2 percent (P682.5 million). The decrease is a result of a revision of fuel imports which were erroneously overpriced during the declaration in July 2021. The error was only discovered and corrected in September 2021. Imports for August 2021 were revised up by 2.3 percent (P196.1 million) and Total Exports by 3.4 percent (P238.6 million).

Table A: Data Revision: July to August 2021 (Million Pula)

Period	As at August 2021 Digest			As at September 2021 Digest			Difference			Difference as %		
	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance
July	7,386.0	7,821.7	435.7	6,703.6	7,821.8	1,118.3	(682.5)	0.1	682.6	(9.2)	0.0	156.7
August	8,698.2	6,984.5	(1,713.6)	8,894.3	7,223.1	(1,671.2)	196.1	238.6	42.5	2.3	3.4	(2.5)

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. During September 2021, imports dropped by 26.2 percent (P2, 333.9 million) from the revised August 2021 figure of P8, 894.3 million to P6, 560.4 million. The decline was led by the fall in the importation of Diamonds and Fuel, which decreased by 57.0 percent (P2, 031.6 million) and 19.6 percent (P210.0 million) respectively.

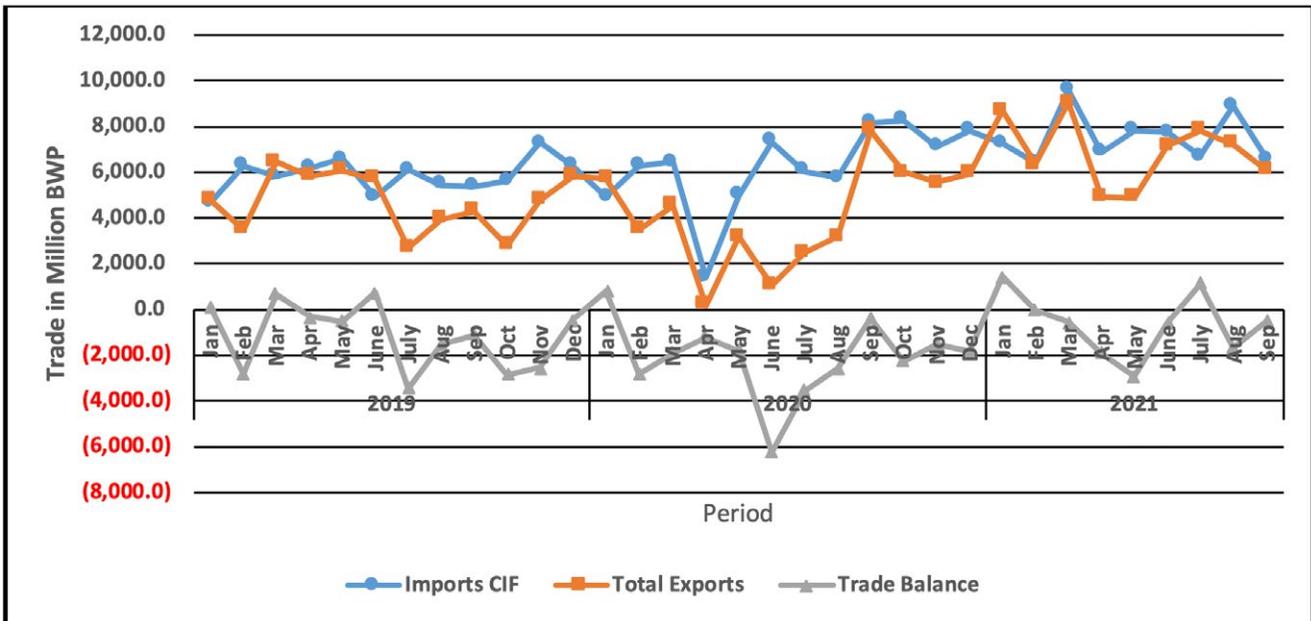
1.3 Total Exports

The September 2021 total export value fell by 15.9 percent (P1, 145.7 million), from the revised August 2021 figure of P7, 223.1 million to P6, 077.4 million. The decline is attributed largely to the reduction in the exportation of Diamonds and Copper & Nickel. Diamonds dropped by 13.9 percent (P857.8 million) from the revised value of P6, 188.5 million for August 2021 to P5, 330.7 million during the current period. Copper & Nickel fell by 37.7 percent (P149.5 million) from P396.7 million to P247.2 million.

1.4 Trade Balance

A trade deficit of P482.9 million was recorded in September 2021. **Chart 1.0** displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2019 to September 2021.

Chart 1.0: Total International Merchandise Trade – January 2019 to September 2021 (Million Pula)



2.0 Trade By Principal Commodity Groups

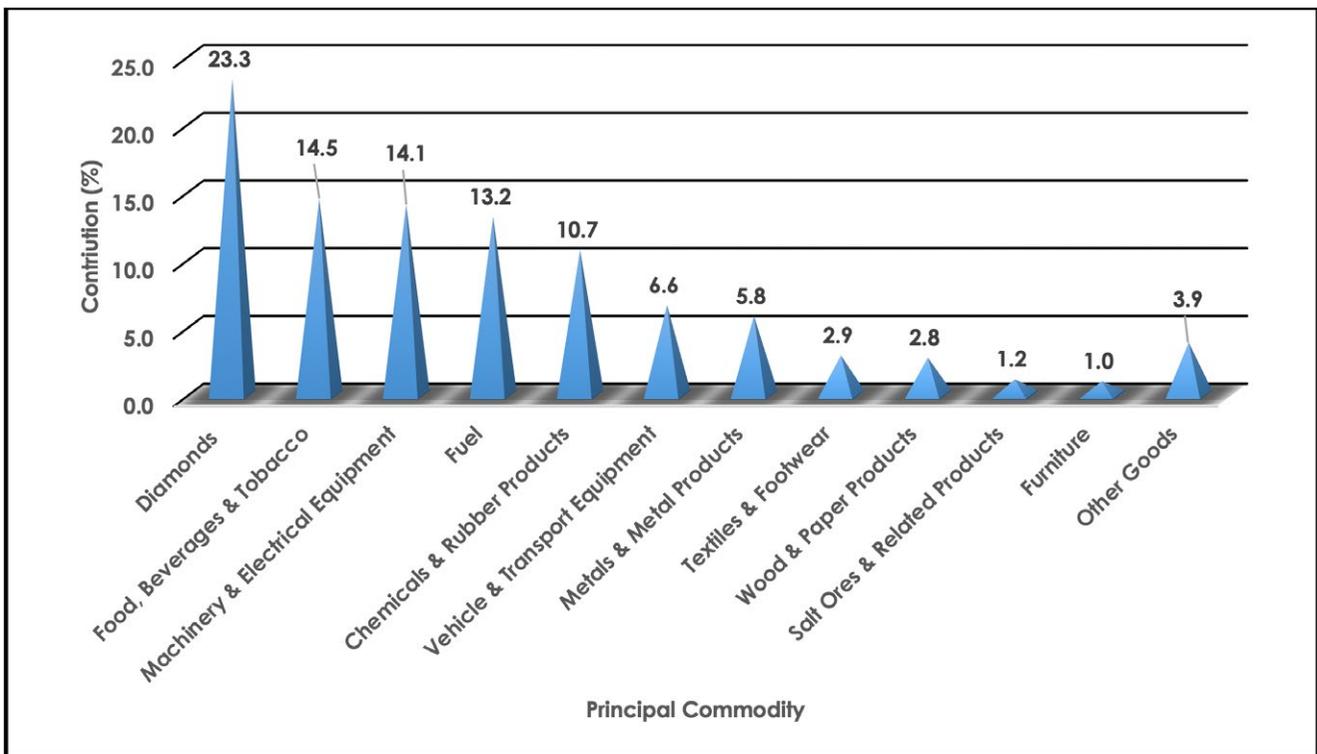
Principal commodity groups refer to selections of related commodities grouped together to form major groups. Commodities forming a group may be of related chapters or commodities, for example 'Vehicles & Transport Equipment' combines vehicles and other equipment used for transport purposes.

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, 560.4 million during September 2021. Diamonds contributed 23.3 percent (P1, 531.4 million) to total imports. Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Machinery & Electrical Equipment followed with contributions of 14.5 percent (P950.3 million) and 14.1 percent (P923.8 million) respectively. Contributions made by other commodity groups are illustrated in [Table 2.1](#) and [Chart 2.1](#).

Chart 2.1: Composition of Principal Imports- September 2021

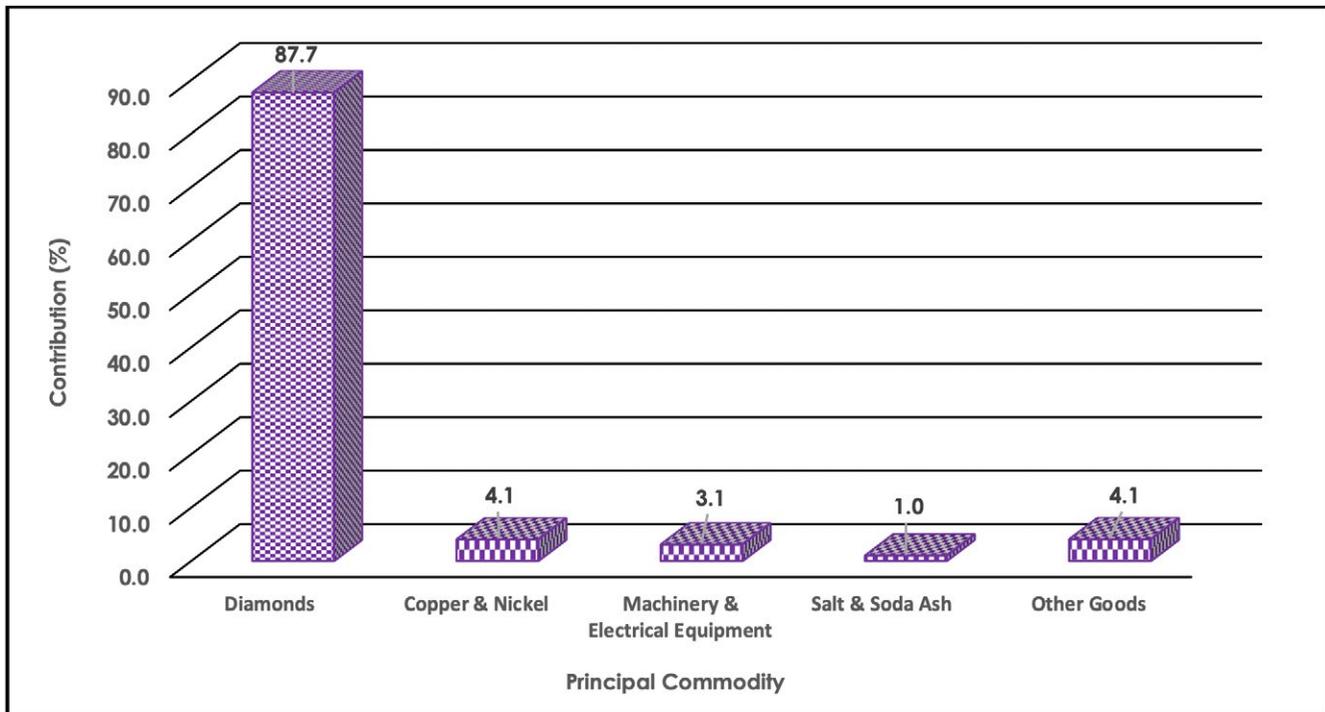


Note: 'Other Goods' here includes any other goods not displayed as in [Table 2.2](#)

2.2 Principal Exports

Botswana exported merchandise valued at P6, 077.4 million in September 2021. The Diamonds group accounted for 87.7 percent (P5, 330.7 million), followed by Copper & Nickel and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with 4.1 percent (P247.2 million) and 3.1 percent (P188.5 million) respectively. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in **Table 2.2** and **Chart 2.2**.

Chart 2.2 Composition of Principal Exports – September 2021



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

3.0 Direction Of Trade

Direction of Trade analyses the value of merchandise trade between the compiling country and her major trading partners. Thus the direction of trade discusses the last known destination for exports and sources of imports. Only major trading partners are considered individually, while smaller trading partners are grouped together under a general category. Trade by major trading partner countries, regions and principal commodity groups for imports and exports, during September 2021 appears in [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.2A](#), respectively. [Table 3.1B](#) (imports) and [Table 3.2B](#) (exports) show percentage distributions for major sources and destinations by principal commodity groups during the same month.

3.1 Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Imports from **SACU**, contributed 77.9 percent (P5, 109.5 million) to total imports during the reference period. Diamonds; Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel were the top most imported commodity groups from the customs union, with contributions of 19.1 percent (P974.9 million), 17.4 percent (P888.6 million) and 15.3 percent (P781.8 million) to total imports respectively (refer to [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#)).

South Africa contributed 66.0 percent (P4, 328.2 million) to total imports during the reporting period. Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel made contributions of 20.1 percent (P871.0 million) and 15.5 percent (P670.5 million), respectively to imports from South Africa. Namibia contributed 11.4 percent (P746.9 million) to the overall imports during the period under review. Imports from Namibia were mostly Diamonds at 81.0 percent (P605.2 million) of imports from that country.

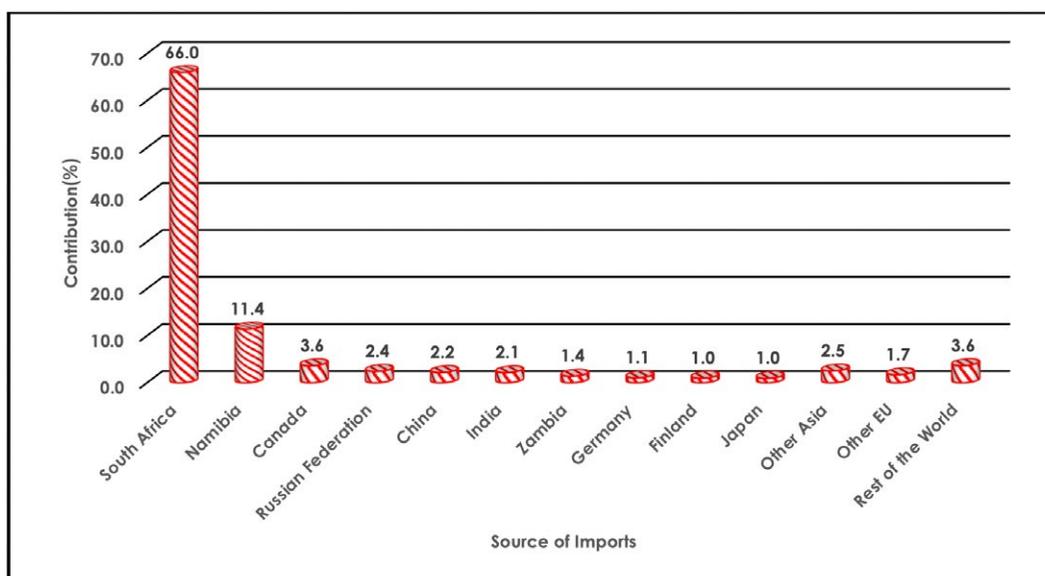
Imports from Asia were valued at P667.8 million, representing 10.2 percent of September 2021 total imports. The major commodity group imported from the regional block were Diamonds, with a contribution of 38.6 percent (P257.8 million) to total imports (tables [3.1A](#) & [3.1B](#)). The Russian Federation, China and India were the main sources of imports from Asia, having supplied 2.4 percent (P158.3 million), 2.2 percent (P142.9 million) and 2.1 percent (P140.6 million) of total imports, respectively ([Table 3.1 A](#)).

The **EU** supplied imports amounting to P294.7 million, accounting for 4.5 percent of total imports. The major commodity group imported from the **EU** was Machinery & Electrical Equipment, at 41.9 percent (P123.5 million) of all imports from the union. Germany and Finland were the major sources of imports from the EU during the period under review, refer to [Table 3.1 A](#).

Canada supplied imports worth P237.5 million, representing 3.6 percent of Botswana's total imports during the current period. Imports from Canada were mainly diamonds, at 97.6 (P213.9 million) of imports from that country.

Graphical presentation of sources of imports during September 2021 can be viewed on [Chart 3.1](#).

Chart 3.1: Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – September 2021



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

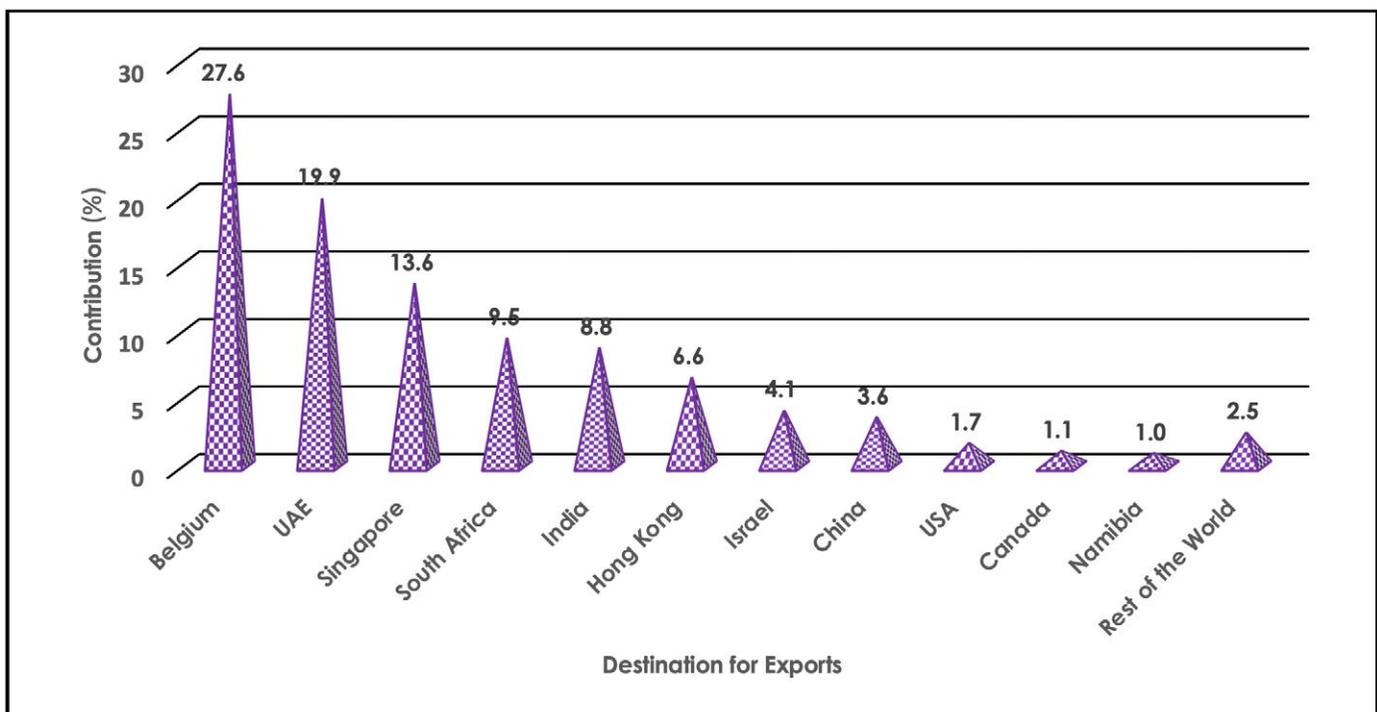
3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Asia was the main destination for Botswana exports, having received 57.1 percent (P3, 472.3 million) of total exports during September 2021. These exports were mainly destined to the UAE and Singapore, having received 19.9 percent (P1, 206.6 million) and 13.6 percent (P824.2 million) of total exports, respectively. The top most exported commodity group to the regional block was Diamonds as shown by [Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 3.2B](#).

During the month under review, exports destined to the EU amounted to P1, 682.1 million, accounting for 27.7 percent of total exports. Belgium received almost all of the exports destined to the regional union, acquiring 27.6 percent (P1, 677.9 million) of total exports during the reporting period. The Diamonds group was the main commodity group exported to the [EU](#) ([Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 2.2B](#)).

The SACU region received exports valued at P637.3 million, representing 10.5 percent of total exports. Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment commodity groups accounted for 36.4 percent (P232.3 million) and 26.6 percent (P169.7 million) of total exports to the customs union ([Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 3.2B](#)). South Africa received 9.5 percent (P578.4 million) of total exports during the month under review ([Table 3.2A](#)).

Chart 3.2: Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – September 2021



'Rest of the World' includes all other Countries or Regions not specified as in [Table 3.2](#)

4.0 Imports and Exports by Top imported and Exported Commodities

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

5.0 Imports and Exports by Mode of Transport

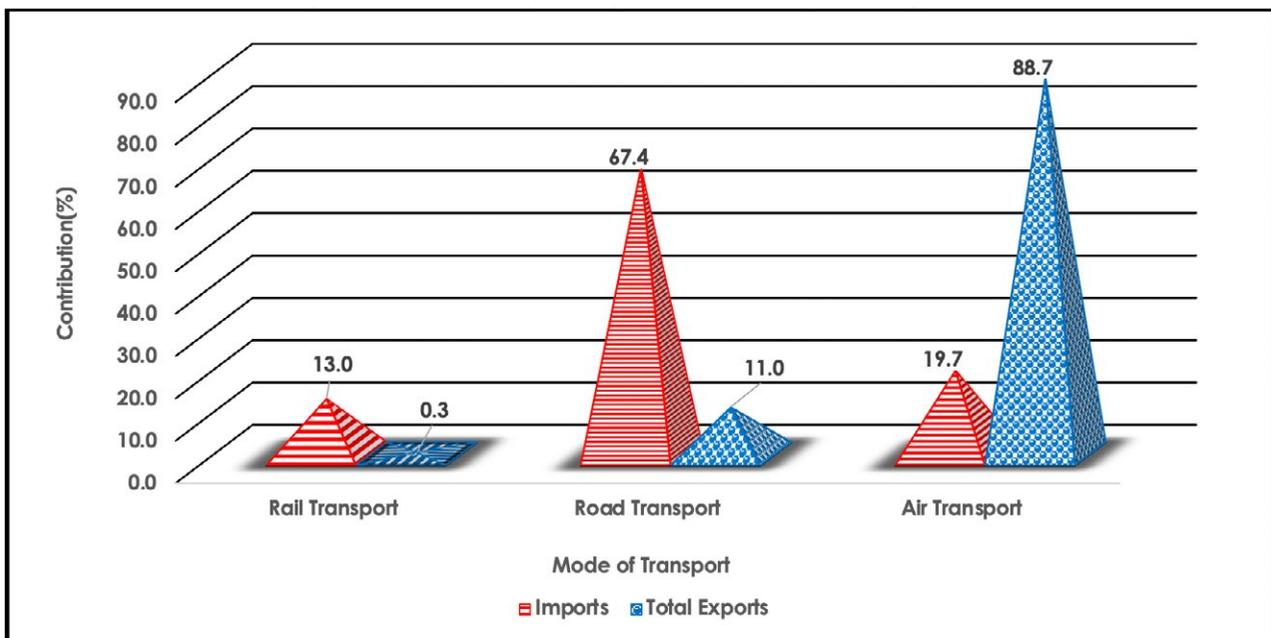
For the purposes of compilation of International Merchandise Trade Statistics, mode of transport refers to the method of transport used for the carriage of goods in and out of the country. These statistics are predominantly collected to be used as guidance in formulating transport policy and monitoring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

In September 2021, exports transported by Air were worth P5, 389.8 million, accounting for 88.7 percent of total exports, while those leaving the country by Road were valued at P667.7 million (11.0 percent). During the reference period, imports representing 67.4 percent (P4, 419.2 million) were transported into the country by Road. Transportation of imports by Air and Rail accounted for 19.7 percent (P1, 289.4 million) and 13.0 percent (P850.6 million) respectively.

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

Mode of Transport	Imports	%	Total Exports	%
Rail Transport	850.6	13.0	19.7	0.3
Road Transport	4,419.2	67.4	667.7	11.0
Air Transport	1,289.4	19.7	5,389.8	88.7
Other Modes	1.1	0.0	0.2	0.0
Total Goods	6,560.4	100.0	6,077.4	100.0

Chart B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – September 2021



6.0 ANNEXURE

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

Period \ Indicators	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan	4,662.1	4,437.4	223.4	1.3	4,789.1	0.0	4,789.1	127.0
Feb	6,282.5	6,076.9	204.4	1.2	3,469.8	4.1	3,473.8	(2,808.7)
Mar	5,795.2	5,579.3	215.0	0.9	6,467.3	0.1	6,467.4	672.1
Q1	16,739.9	16,093.6	642.8	3.5	14,726.2	4.1	14,730.3	(2,009.5)
Apr	6,148.3	5,936.9	209.3	2.0	5,837.2	5.2	5,842.4	(305.9)
May	6,590.3	6,361.2	228.0	1.0	6,052.5	5.6	6,058.1	(532.2)
Jun	4,945.3	4,701.9	242.5	0.9	5,676.6	10.5	5,687.1	741.8
Q2	17,683.9	17,000.1	679.8	4.0	17,566.4	21.3	17,587.6	(96.3)
Jul	6,140.2	5,893.0	245.7	1.5	2,681.2	0.4	2,681.6	(3,458.6)
Aug	5,444.2	5,200.6	241.7	1.9	3,923.1	0.2	3,923.3	(1,520.9)
Sep	5,384.0	5,153.1	229.9	1.0	4,265.3	1.7	4,267.0	(1,117.0)
Q3	16,968.4	16,246.7	717.3	4.4	10,869.6	2.3	10,871.9	(6,096.5)
Oct	5,645.0	5,412.1	231.8	1.1	2,779.0	0.0	2,779.0	(2,866.0)
Nov	7,311.4	7,040.7	269.6	1.1	4,770.4	0.5	4,770.9	(2,540.5)
Dec	6,273.2	6,026.8	245.0	1.5	5,840.9	0.4	5,841.3	(431.9)
Q4	19,229.6	18,479.6	746.3	3.7	13,390.2	0.9	13,391.2	(5,838.4)
Total_2019	70,621.8	67,819.9	2,786.3	15.6	56,552.4	28.7	56,581.0	(14,040.7)
Jan	4,926.8	4,703.7	222.2	0.9	5,707.4	9.2	5,716.7	789.9
Feb	6,270.4	5,999.0	270.0	1.4	3,465.8	0.6	3,466.4	(2,804.0)
Mar	6,441.6	6,176.8	263.4	1.4	4,517.7	0.2	4,517.9	(1,923.7)
Q1	17,638.8	16,879.5	755.6	3.7	13,690.9	10.1	13,701.0	(3,937.9)
Apr	1,383.1	1,295.0	87.7	0.4	173.0	0.1	173.0	(1,210.1)
May	4,992.2	4,754.5	237.1	0.6	3,176.4	0.1	3,176.5	(1,815.7)
Jun	7,332.4	7,080.0	251.4	1.0	1,071.8	0.2	1,071.9	(6,260.5)
Q2	13,707.7	13,129.5	576.1	2.0	4,421.1	0.3	4,421.5	(9,286.2)
Jul	6,038.9	5,747.0	290.6	1.3	2,469.1	0.2	2,469.3	(3,569.6)
Aug	5,785.7	5,564.0	220.4	1.4	3,195.8	1.1	3,196.9	(2,588.8)
Sep	8,171.2	7,932.0	238.0	1.1	7,798.7	0.4	7,799.1	(372.1)
Q3	19,995.8	19,243.0	749.1	3.7	13,463.6	1.7	13,465.3	(6,530.5)
Oct	8,257.7	7,993.9	262.7	1.0	6,007.4	0.7	6,008.2	(2,249.5)
Nov	7,098.6	6,823.9	272.6	2.1	5,549.0	0.0	5,549.1	(1,549.6)
Dec	7,781.4	7,483.0	296.6	1.8	5,939.9	0.6	5,940.5	(1,840.9)
Q4	23,137.7	22,300.8	831.9	4.9	17,496.3	1.4	17,497.7	(5,640.0)
Total_2020	74,480.0	71,552.9	2,912.7	14.4	49,071.9	13.5	49,085.4	(25,394.6)
Jan	7,250.4	6,987.4	261.6	1.4	8,687.8	0.3	8,688.1	1,437.7
Feb	6,401.5	6,130.2	269.7	1.6	6,365.6	0.0	6,365.6	(35.8)
Mar	9,578.7	9,226.6	350.6	1.4	9,038.5	0.0	9,038.6	(540.1)
Q1	23,230.6	22,344.2	881.9	4.5	24,091.9	0.4	24,092.3	861.7
Apr	6,855.8	6,563.4	291.1	1.3	4,932.2	0.0	4,932.2	(1,923.7)
May	7,814.6	7,522.8	290.4	1.4	4,885.5	0.0	4,885.5	(2,929.1)
June	7,745.8	7,474.0	270.1	1.6	7,170.6	0.9	7,171.5	(574.2)
Q2	22,416.2	21,560.2	851.7	4.3	16,988.2	0.9	16,989.2	(5,427.0)
Jul	6,703.6	6,426.5	275.8	1.3	7,821.7	0.2	7,821.8	1,118.3
Aug	8,894.3	8,552.8	339.8	1.7	7,223.1	0.0	7,223.1	(1,671.2)
Sep	6,560.4	6,291.4	267.4	1.6	6,075.6	1.9	6,077.4	(482.9)
Q3	22,158.2	21,270.7	883.0	4.5	21,120.3	2.0	21,122.4	(1,035.9)

Table 2.1 : Principal Import Commodity Groups - January 2019 to September 2021 (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	441.7	800.3	691.0	593.1	47.3	615.4	240.5	50.9	98.9	763.7	103.6	215.7	4,662.1
Feb	501.6	2,535.5	633.9	536.6	56.8	634.1	268.4	47.4	141.1	647.7	119.7	159.8	6,282.5
Mar	482.6	2,019.9	699.3	586.8	66.9	725.8	306.4	52.4	165.8	378.9	129.6	180.9	5,795.2
Q1	1,425.9	5,355.6	2,024.2	1,716.5	171.0	1,975.3	815.3	150.8	405.7	1,790.3	352.9	556.4	16,739.9
Apr	424.9	2,315.3	604.6	603.2	62.0	717.9	360.2	51.4	130.2	609.7	120.5	148.3	6,148.3
May	504.8	2,355.8	678.4	655.8	61.2	693.7	316.7	65.8	121.2	788.4	139.6	208.9	6,590.3
Jun	491.6	789.7	653.9	906.7	58.1	773.1	437.4	56.9	102.6	386.1	129.6	159.8	4,945.3
Q2	1,421.3	5,460.7	1,936.9	2,165.7	181.3	2,184.7	1,114.3	174.1	354.0	1,784.2	389.7	517.0	17,683.9
Jul	531.1	1,671.6	700.2	947.1	71.5	739.7	301.4	66.0	137.8	508.7	127.5	337.5	6,140.2
Aug	551.3	1,010.4	806.0	938.9	71.3	779.1	276.4	65.1	144.0	437.5	157.3	206.9	5,444.2
Sep	558.2	1,265.0	774.8	696.6	63.9	821.0	252.3	59.5	167.1	390.2	147.5	187.9	5,384.0
Q3	1,640.6	3,947.0	2,280.9	2,582.6	206.6	2,339.9	830.1	190.6	449.0	1,336.5	432.3	732.4	16,968.4
Oct	569.5	1,420.8	813.3	695.0	74.4	727.0	261.7	59.7	176.7	460.4	158.5	228.0	5,645.0
Nov	651.4	2,266.7	886.9	646.9	68.1	909.7	294.8	58.0	164.8	1,010.7	144.7	208.7	7,311.4
Dec	635.7	1,599.3	1,061.3	1,057.2	67.8	638.5	233.7	57.1	127.2	437.8	145.0	212.6	6,273.2
Q4	1,856.7	5,286.7	2,761.5	2,399.0	210.3	2,275.2	790.2	174.8	468.8	1,908.9	448.2	649.3	19,229.6
Total_2019	6,344.4	20,050.1	9,003.4	8,863.8	769.2	8,775.1	3,549.9	690.3	1,677.5	6,819.8	1,623.1	2,455.1	70,621.8
Jan	520.6	718.4	801.1	1,037.3	54.6	761.7	207.1	60.6	96.2	382.7	116.8	169.6	4,926.8
Feb	527.0	1,144.8	823.5	731.1	71.8	867.8	282.3	71.5	160.0	820.2	149.6	620.8	6,270.4
Mar	619.2	1,672.4	865.8	1,080.7	65.3	864.0	248.6	53.9	153.8	464.1	128.5	225.3	6,441.6
Q1	1,666.8	3,535.6	2,490.4	2,849.1	191.7	2,493.6	738.0	186.0	410.1	1,667.0	394.8	1,015.7	17,638.8
Apr	273.3	-	521.2	208.9	5.8	193.3	34.8	5.7	33.0	18.2	34.7	54.1	1,383.1
May	502.1	974.1	571.4	1,011.8	33.8	486.5	148.1	30.6	119.6	792.6	86.5	235.0	4,992.2
Jun	665.5	3,426.7	670.4	548.0	65.8	764.7	229.2	59.4	126.1	461.1	125.9	189.5	7,332.4
Q2	1,441.0	4,400.8	1,763.0	1,768.7	105.4	1,444.5	412.1	95.7	278.7	1,272.0	247.2	478.6	13,707.7
Jul	639.4	942.4	783.8	1,725.3	57.2	664.4	262.8	62.0	109.3	467.4	129.0	195.9	6,038.9
Aug	556.1	1,734.4	786.0	722.3	69.3	633.2	241.0	71.5	132.9	396.3	125.6	317.1	5,785.7
Sep	686.1	3,848.5	911.9	613.9	73.5	722.8	273.5	65.0	153.2	438.4	148.7	235.7	8,171.2
Q3	1,881.5	6,525.3	2,481.8	3,061.5	200.0	2,020.3	777.3	198.6	395.4	1,302.2	403.3	748.7	19,995.8
Oct	633.3	3,545.1	942.8	737.8	89.0	886.6	349.7	72.6	158.0	437.1	145.1	260.5	8,257.7
Nov	667.5	2,255.0	943.2	652.7	80.1	828.8	389.9	65.5	180.4	618.1	163.4	254.0	7,098.6
Dec	672.9	2,775.8	897.5	599.6	70.6	625.5	333.7	62.7	124.6	1,153.7	151.2	313.5	7,781.4
Q4	1,973.6	8,575.9	2,783.6	1,990.1	239.6	2,340.9	1,073.4	200.9	463.1	2,208.9	459.7	828.0	23,137.7
Total_2020	6,962.9	23,037.6	9,518.7	9,669.4	736.8	8,299.3	3,000.8	681.2	1,547.3	6,450.1	1,504.9	3,071.0	74,480.0
Jan	550.6	3,348.0	852.0	653.8	42.7	611.7	274.7	75.1	127.7	381.3	117.7	215.2	7,250.4
Feb	550.4	2,086.4	795.0	784.4	68.2	738.7	345.3	65.7	156.7	438.1	129.8	242.7	6,401.5
Mar	998.0	3,691.6	889.6	903.9	90.4	928.7	399.4	69.1	179.2	918.2	194.2	316.6	9,578.7
Q1	2,098.9	9,126.1	2,536.6	2,342.1	201.3	2,279.1	1,019.3	209.9	463.6	1,737.5	441.7	774.5	23,230.6
Apr	653.1	1,925.5	806.0	853.8	63.4	738.7	346.9	69.2	181.7	835.8	148.7	233.2	6,855.8
May	658.9	2,883.7	837.5	812.3	54.3	868.0	412.0	70.9	139.8	688.6	159.8	228.8	7,814.6
June	772.8	2,846.3	865.6	860.0	57.7	874.8	383.9	78.8	137.1	459.5	174.5	234.8	7,745.8
Q2	2,084.7	7,655.5	2,509.1	2,526.1	175.3	2,481.5	1,142.8	219.0	458.5	1,983.8	483.0	696.9	22,416.2
Jul	634.3	2,181.2	842.4	899.5	47.1	809.6	358.0	74.7	121.9	358.5	154.0	222.3	6,703.6
Aug	748.5	3,563.0	830.7	1,073.8	69.0	958.9	432.0	75.8	160.7	514.1	195.8	272.2	8,894.3
Sep	703.1	1,531.4	950.3	863.8	66.2	923.8	382.9	76.2	191.8	435.4	180.7	254.7	6,560.4
Q3	2,085.8	7,275.5	2,623.4	2,837.0	182.3	2,692.3	1,172.9	226.7	474.4	1,308.1	530.5	749.2	22,158.2
% Distribution													
2019	9.0	28.4	12.7	12.6	1.1	12.4	5.0	1.0	2.4	9.7	2.3	3.5	100.0
2020	9.3	30.9	12.8	13.0	1.0	11.1	4.0	0.9	2.1	8.7	2.0	4.1	100.0
Aug	8.4	40.1	9.3	12.1	0.8	10.8	4.9	0.9	1.8	5.8	2.2	3.1	100.0
Sept	10.7	23.3	14.5	13.2	1.0	14.1	5.8	1.2	2.9	6.6	2.8	3.9	100.0

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

Period \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel-Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2019	0.1	4,414.8	32.6	0.1	9.6	66.3	32.3	9.2	53.7	14.2	24.1	132.3	4,789.1
Feb	0.2	3,052.5	32.2	0.3	13.0	115.4	39.4	26.4	44.8	14.4	54.3	80.9	3,473.8
Mar	0.3	6,052.0	28.5	0.3	12.1	154.1	21.4	14.6	54.6	13.1	44.0	72.5	6,467.4
Q1	0.6	13,519.3	93.3	0.7	34.6	335.7	93.2	50.1	153.1	41.7	122.4	285.7	14,730.3
Apr	0.1	5,388.5	39.5	1.2	13.1	142.2	43.6	31.7	42.9	13.8	41.7	83.9	5,842.4
May	0.1	5,554.2	29.2	0.2	19.8	142.2	75.8	22.2	56.0	13.3	26.8	118.5	6,058.1
Jun	0.1	5,145.2	57.0	0.4	19.4	145.7	102.1	28.3	30.5	11.8	35.7	110.9	5,687.1
Q2	0.3	16,087.8	125.7	1.8	52.3	430.1	221.6	82.2	129.4	38.9	104.3	313.3	17,587.6
Jul	1.0	2,253.2	22.8	0.2	12.2	136.8	59.1	21.2	56.4	10.8	24.7	83.3	2,681.6
Aug	0.2	3,420.0	51.1	0.7	19.6	160.9	64.8	27.4	46.3	13.3	31.6	87.5	3,923.3
Sep	0.1	3,739.5	45.7	1.1	20.8	148.7	89.8	20.4	61.1	12.9	41.9	85.0	4,267.0
Q3	1.3	9,412.7	119.6	1.9	52.6	446.4	213.7	69.0	163.8	37.1	98.2	255.7	10,871.9
Oct	0.2	2,297.7	33.8	1.8	22.6	125.4	94.6	27.3	35.6	12.1	31.0	97.1	2,779.0
Nov	0.2	4,330.3	29.1	0.3	14.1	161.0	24.0	30.0	33.5	17.1	42.3	89.0	4,770.9
Dec	0.1	5,440.4	34.9	0.3	7.6	82.9	16.5	20.9	45.9	14.8	47.4	129.5	5,841.3
Q4	0.5	12,068.4	97.8	2.4	44.4	369.2	135.1	78.2	115.0	44.0	120.7	315.5	13,391.2
Total_2019	2.6	51,088.2	436.5	6.7	183.8	1,581.4	663.5	279.5	561.2	161.7	445.6	1,170.3	56,581.0
Jan_2020	0.2	5,239.7	20.5	0.1	13.0	159.9	12.5	23.1	64.1	15.6	28.1	139.9	5,716.7
Feb	1.7	2,914.7	46.7	0.1	17.1	169.2	14.8	25.4	65.7	14.9	30.9	165.3	3,466.4
Mar	280.3	3,778.3	22.6	0.1	12.0	128.4	8.3	19.4	53.9	12.9	33.8	167.9	4,517.9
Q1	282.2	11,932.6	89.8	0.2	42.1	457.5	35.6	67.9	183.8	43.4	92.8	473.1	13,701.0
Apr	3.7	-	76.7	-	0.7	3.0	12.9	2.5	41.4	-	0.0	32.1	173.0
May	3.5	2,931.6	24.7	0.0	4.5	71.0	18.3	12.0	46.5	7.2	3.6	53.7	3,176.5
Jun	2.1	643.3	23.9	0.1	13.1	117.7	19.1	27.5	77.9	11.1	27.0	109.1	1,071.9
Q2	9.2	3,574.9	125.3	0.1	18.2	191.7	50.3	42.1	165.9	18.2	30.7	194.9	4,421.5
Jul	2.2	1,988.4	70.2	0.0	15.3	134.8	32.9	20.9	52.5	12.7	32.8	106.6	2,469.3
Aug	3.3	2,604.5	48.1	0.1	10.2	254.0	34.7	37.7	56.5	12.8	36.5	98.4	3,196.9
Sep	0.7	7,297.6	56.5	0.1	17.6	179.9	22.1	31.8	56.4	15.7	28.1	92.6	7,799.1
Q3	6.3	11,890.4	174.9	0.2	43.2	568.6	89.6	90.4	165.4	41.2	97.4	297.6	13,465.3
Oct	0.8	5,417.3	33.6	1.0	18.5	193.3	34.2	37.5	72.4	19.4	24.9	155.4	6,008.2
Nov	0.2	5,002.3	51.6	0.1	16.0	158.1	7.1	29.8	80.6	26.9	15.9	160.4	5,549.1
Dec	0.0	5,486.9	75.4	0.8	12.6	64.9	5.8	21.5	61.1	13.1	32.1	166.3	5,940.5
Q4	1.0	15,906.5	160.5	2.0	47.1	416.3	47.1	88.8	214.1	59.3	72.9	482.1	17,497.7
Total_2020	298.7	43,304.5	550.6	2.5	150.5	1,634.1	222.6	289.1	729.1	162.2	293.7	1,447.6	49,085.4
Jan_2021	0.2	8,205.5	44.0	0.9	12.4	169.3	0.6	18.9	65.6	14.9	21.9	133.8	8,688.1
Feb	-	5,915.7	16.8	0.0	12.5	151.4	2.1	29.0	51.5	12.1	20.4	154.0	6,365.6
Mar	0.9	8,455.6	51.5	1.8	25.2	156.6	9.2	32.4	54.7	18.0	48.1	184.6	9,038.6
Q1	1.1	22,576.8	112.3	2.7	50.1	477.3	11.9	80.3	171.9	44.9	90.5	472.4	24,092.3
Apr	0.1	4,400.4	-	1.5	19.8	171.5	9.0	33.5	54.8	14.3	29.8	197.4	4,932.2
May	0.3	4,280.0	62.1	1.2	28.3	147.2	17.9	41.6	54.8	15.0	17.5	219.6	4,885.5
June	0.3	6,546.8	35.8	0.1	29.9	159.3	34.6	38.7	73.8	14.4	20.1	217.9	7,171.5
Q2	0.7	15,227.2	97.9	2.8	77.9	477.9	61.5	113.7	183.5	43.7	67.4	634.9	16,989.2
Jul	86.8	7,112.4	-	1.5	17.9	178.8	12.7	33.0	104.5	14.6	24.0	235.6	7,821.8
Aug	396.7	6,188.5	71.7	1.8	18.1	160.1	17.8	24.6	51.0	18.5	35.6	238.9	7,223.1
Sep	247.2	5,330.7	2.7	3.3	22.3	188.5	13.2	30.0	62.0	18.4	22.7	136.2	6,077.4
Q3	730.8	18,631.5	74.4	6.6	58.2	527.4	43.7	87.7	217.5	51.5	82.3	610.7	21,122.4
% Distribution													
2019	0.0	90.3	0.8	0.0	0.3	2.8	1.2	0.5	1.0	0.3	0.8	2.1	100.0
2020	0.6	88.2	1.1	0.0	0.3	3.3	0.5	0.6	1.5	0.3	0.6	2.9	100.0
Aug	5.5	85.7	1.0	0.0	0.3	2.2	0.2	0.3	0.7	0.3	0.5	3.3	100.0
Sep	4.1	87.7	0.0	0.1	0.4	3.1	0.2	0.5	1.0	0.3	0.4	2.2	100.0

Table 2.3: Diamonds Trade – January 2019 to August 2021 (Million Pula)

Flow Type	Imports						Total Exports					
	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan_2019	196.0	2.6	0.0	293.7	308.0	800.3	3.6	0.0	3968.4	442.9	0.0	4414.8
Feb	1130.0	2.5	0.0	984.1	418.9	2535.5	6.3	0.0	2205.8	839.3	0.0	3051.4
Mar	290.2	0.0	0.0	1287.1	442.5	2019.9	13.6	0.0	5124.9	913.5	0.0	6052.0
Q1	1616.2	5.1	0.0	2564.9	1169.4	5355.6	23.5	0.0	11299.1	2195.7	0.0	13518.2
Apr	358.2	0.0	0.0	867.6	1089.4	2315.3	6.8	0.0	4574.0	807.7	0.0	5388.5
May	1297.7	0.0	0.0	506.8	551.3	2355.8	26.6	0.0	4718.2	809.1	0.0	5553.9
Jun	0.0	0.0	0.0	353.7	435.9	789.7	7.5	0.0	4076.8	1060.9	0.0	5145.2
Q2	1655.9	0.0	0.0	1728.1	2076.7	5460.7	41.0	0.0	13369.0	2677.6	0.0	16087.5
Jul	542.3	1.8	0.0	892.5	235.0	1671.6	2.0	0.0	1483.6	767.3	0.0	2252.9
Aug	184.8	0.2	0.9	598.1	226.4	1010.4	5.4	0.0	2840.2	574.4	0.0	3420.0
Sep	223.5	0.0	0.0	929.4	112.1	1265.0	4.9	0.0	2520.5	1214.2	0.0	3739.5
Q3	950.6	2.0	0.9	2420.0	573.5	3947.0	12.3	0.0	6844.2	2555.9	0.0	9412.4
Oct	247.7	0.0	0.0	1041.7	131.3	1420.8	0.1	0.0	1905.0	392.7	0.0	2297.7
Nov	36.4	0.1	0.0	1539.9	690.3	2266.7	8.7	0.0	3684.9	636.4	0.0	4330.0
Dec	289.8	1.7	0.0	1192.4	115.4	1599.3	6.5	0.0	4848.5	585.4	0.0	5440.4
Q4	573.9	1.8	0.0	3774.0	937.1	5286.7	15.2	0.0	10438.4	1614.4	0.0	12068.1
Total_2019	4796.6	9.0	0.9	10487.0	4756.7	20050.1	91.9	0.0	41950.7	9043.6	0.0	51086.2
Jan_2020	191.6	0.0	0.0	185.2	341.7	718.4	0.9	0.0	4767.9	470.9	0.0	5239.7
Feb	251.4	0.0	0.0	458.4	435.0	1144.8	9.8	0.0	2100.7	802.3	0.0	2912.9
Mar	310.9	0.4	0.0	1098.4	262.7	1672.4	8.1	0.0	3088.9	681.3	0.0	3778.3
Q1	753.8	0.4	0.0	1742.0	1039.3	3535.6	18.8	0.0	9957.6	1954.5	0.0	11930.9
Apr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
May	0.0	0.0	0.0	900.2	73.9	974.1	0.8	0.0	2453.7	477.0	0.0	2931.6
Jun	267.1	1.2	0.0	2731.8	426.6	3426.7	0.7	0.0	264.9	377.7	0.0	643.3
Q2	267.1	1.2	0.0	3632.1	500.4	4400.8	1.6	0.0	2718.6	854.7	0.0	3574.9
Jul	236.0	0.0	0.0	388.1	318.3	942.4	3.0	0.0	1336.6	648.8	0.0	1988.4
Aug	53.1	0.0	0.0	1562.4	118.9	1734.4	1.9	0.0	2160.5	442.1	0.0	2604.5
Sep	0.0	12.0	0.0	3655.1	181.4	3848.5	5.6	0.0	6417.1	874.9	0.0	7297.6
Q3	289.1	12.0	0.0	5605.6	618.7	6525.3	10.4	0.0	9914.2	1965.8	0.0	11890.4
Oct	658.4	5.3	0.0	2717.4	164.0	3545.1	13.7	0.0	4940.0	463.6	0.0	5417.3
Nov	0.0	0.1	0.0	1948.2	306.7	2255.0	9.4	0.0	4325.4	667.5	0.0	5002.3
Dec	319.7	5.4	0.0	2361.9	88.8	2775.8	8.3	0.0	5010.7	468.0	0.0	5486.9
Q4	978.1	10.8	0.0	7027.5	559.5	8575.9	31.3	0.0	14276.1	1599.1	0.0	15906.5
Total_2020	2288.2	24.5	0.0	18007.1	2717.9	23037.6	62.2	0.0	36866.4	6374.1	0.0	43302.7
Jan_2021	82.4	6.0	0.0	2941.5	318.1	3348.0	23.2	0.0	7942.0	240.3	0.0	8205.5
Feb	324.7	5.1	0.0	1366.1	390.5	2086.4	7.1	0.0	5228.0	680.6	0.0	5915.7
Mar	0.0	5.3	0.0	3006.8	679.5	3691.6	20.0	0.0	7897.3	538.3	0.0	8455.6
Q1	407.2	16.4	0.0	7314.4	1388.1	9126.1	50.3	0.0	21067.3	1459.3	0.0	22576.8
Apr	0.0	5.5	0.0	1443.9	476.1	1925.5	2.0	0.0	3559.8	838.6	0.0	4400.4
May	298.0	3.9	0.0	2147.0	434.9	2883.7	6.5	0.0	3530.5	743.0	0.0	4280.0
June	263.7	0.0	0.0	1914.8	667.8	2846.3	12.1	0.0	5788.0	746.6	0.0	6546.8
Q2	561.7	9.4	0.0	5505.7	1578.8	7655.5	20.6	0.0	12878.4	2328.2	0.0	15227.2
Jul	268.0	5.1	0.0	1545.2	362.8	2181.2	12.7	0.0	6325.6	774.1	0.0	7112.4
Aug	246.7	7.0	0.0	3069.3	240.0	3563.0	1.2	0.0	4935.2	1252.0	0.0	6188.5
Sep	0.0	0.0	0.0	1326.1	205.3	1531.4	23.7	0.0	4464.2	842.8	0.0	5330.7
Q3	514.7	12.1	0.0	5940.6	808.1	7275.5	37.6	0.0	15724.9	2869.0	0.0	18631.5

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 –September 2021 (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	532.5	369.7	871.0	670.5	58.8	621.6	308.0	66.7	154.9	323.8	152.7	198.0	4,328.2	66.0
Namibia	2.8	605.2	8.4	111.3	0.0	2.1	1.2	9.6	0.8	4.3	0.2	1.1	746.9	11.4
Eswatini	24.6	0.0	9.2	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	34.4	0.5
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SACU	559.9	974.9	888.6	781.8	58.8	624.1	309.2	76.2	155.7	328.1	153.2	199.1	5,109.5	77.9
Zambia	0.1	0.0	5.4	53.7	0.1	3.1	27.6	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.6	91.2	1.4
Other SADC	4.0	11.3	24.4	0.5	0.2	0.9	12.6	0.0	1.0	0.3	9.3	2.6	67.0	1.0
SADC	564.0	986.2	918.3	835.9	59.2	628.2	349.3	76.2	157.0	328.6	162.5	202.3	5,267.7	80.3
Other Africa	2.6	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	1.5	6.4	0.1
Africa	566.5	986.2	918.5	835.9	59.2	630.1	349.3	76.2	157.2	328.6	162.5	203.8	5,274.1	80.4
Russian Federation	0.0	156.7	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	158.3	2.4
China	20.9	0.0	0.9	0.0	4.7	38.7	22.8	0.0	19.7	12.4	2.8	20.1	142.9	2.2
India	35.1	44.8	1.9	5.9	0.0	42.1	2.4	0.0	0.8	5.0	0.0	2.5	140.6	2.1
Japan	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	61.5	0.0	0.0	62.9	1.0
Other Asia	18.7	56.3	10.7	21.9	1.4	42.6	1.3	0.0	1.2	5.3	0.8	2.8	163.0	2.5
Asia	74.9	257.8	15.3	27.8	6.1	124.4	26.6	0.0	21.7	84.1	3.6	25.4	667.8	10.2
Germany	9.8	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	20.1	0.8	0.0	11.1	6.6	4.6	15.9	69.3	1.1
Finland	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	52.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	11.1	0.0	0.2	64.4	1.0
Belgium	2.1	49.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	52.8	0.8
Other EU	33.6	0.0	3.7	0.0	0.4	49.7	1.3	0.0	1.2	3.4	9.5	5.6	108.3	1.7
EU	45.5	49.6	3.9	0.0	0.6	123.5	2.2	0.0	12.2	21.1	14.1	21.9	294.7	4.5
Canada	0.2	231.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.6	237.5	3.6
Rest of the World	15.9	5.8	12.5	0.0	0.4	41.2	4.7	0.0	0.5	1.6	0.4	3.1	86.2	1.3
World	703.1	1,531.4	950.3	863.8	66.2	923.8	382.9	76.2	191.8	435.4	180.7	254.7	6,560.4	100.0

Table 3.1B: Principal Imports Commodity Groups as a percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level – September 2021

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	12.3	8.5	20.1	15.5	1.4	14.4	7.1	1.5	3.6	7.5	3.5	4.6	100.0
Namibia	0.4	81.0	1.1	14.9	0.0	0.3	0.2	1.3	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.1	100.0
Eswatini	71.4	0.0	26.6	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.8	0.0	0.0	85.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
SACU	11.0	19.1	17.4	15.3	1.2	12.2	6.1	1.5	3.0	6.4	3.0	3.9	100.0
Zambia	0.1	0.0	5.9	58.9	0.2	3.4	30.2	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.7	100.0
Other SADC	6.0	16.8	36.4	0.7	0.4	1.4	18.7	0.0	1.5	0.4	13.9	3.8	100.0
SADC	10.7	18.7	17.4	15.9	1.1	11.9	6.6	1.4	3.0	6.2	3.1	3.8	100.0
Other Africa	40.1	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.1	30.2	0.0	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.2	23.0	100.0
Africa	10.7	18.7	17.4	15.8	1.1	11.9	6.6	1.4	3.0	6.2	3.1	3.9	100.0
Russian Federation	0.0	99.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
China	14.6	0.0	0.7	0.0	3.3	27.1	16.0	0.0	13.8	8.7	2.0	14.0	100.0
India	25.0	31.8	1.3	4.2	0.0	29.9	1.7	0.0	0.5	3.6	0.0	1.8	100.0
Japan	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.1	97.7	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	11.5	34.5	6.5	13.4	0.9	26.1	0.8	0.0	0.8	3.2	0.5	1.7	100.0
Asia	11.2	38.6	2.3	4.2	0.9	18.6	4.0	0.0	3.3	12.6	0.5	3.8	100.0
Germany	14.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	29.1	1.2	0.0	16.0	9.5	6.6	23.0	100.0
Finland	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	82.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	17.3	0.0	0.3	100.0
Belgium	3.9	94.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	100.0
Other EU	31.0	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.4	45.9	1.2	0.0	1.1	3.1	8.8	5.1	100.0
EU	15.5	16.8	1.3	0.0	0.2	41.9	0.8	0.0	4.2	7.2	4.8	7.4	100.0
Canada	0.1	97.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0
Rest of the World	18.4	6.8	14.5	0.0	0.5	47.8	5.5	0.0	0.5	1.9	0.5	3.6	100.0
World	10.7	23.3	14.5	13.2	1.0	14.1	5.8	1.2	2.9	6.6	2.8	3.9	100.0

**Table 3.2A: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Export Commodity Groups – September 2021
(Million Pula)**

Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods	%
South Africa	1.6	232.3	2.7	0.0	21.3	142.7	6.7	23.1	31.3	17.1	3.7	95.9	578.4	9.5
Namibia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	26.6	0.0	0.9	0.0	1.0	5.7	23.7	58.2	1.0
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0
SACU	1.6	232.3	2.7	0.0	21.7	169.7	6.7	24.0	31.3	18.0	9.5	119.8	637.3	10.5
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	15.7	1.1	5.9	30.7	0.3	13.0	15.7	82.6	1.4
SADC	1.6	232.3	2.7	0.0	21.8	185.5	7.8	29.8	62.0	18.4	22.5	135.5	719.9	11.8
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.5	0.0
Africa	1.6	232.3	2.7	1.3	21.8	185.6	7.8	29.8	62.0	18.4	22.6	135.5	721.4	11.9
UAE	0.0	1,206.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	1,206.6	19.9
Singapore	0.0	824.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	824.2	13.6
India	0.0	534.9	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	535.3	8.8
Hong Kong	0.0	400.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	400.6	6.6
Israel	0.0	250.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	250.8	4.1
China	220.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	220.8	3.6
Other Asia	0.0	31.8	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.9	0.6
Asia	220.8	3,248.3	0.0	2.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	3,472.3	57.1
Belgium	0.0	1,677.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1,677.9	27.6
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	1.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	4.2	0.1
EU	0.0	1,677.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	1.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	1,682.1	27.7
USA	0.0	104.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	104.2	1.7
Canada	0.0	68.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	68.2	1.1
Rest of World	24.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	29.2	0.5
World	247.2	5,330.7	2.7	3.3	22.3	188.5	13.2	30.0	62.0	18.4	22.7	136.2	6,077.4	100.0

Table 3.2B: Principal Export Commodity Groups as a percentage of Total Exports at Country and Regional Level – September 2021

Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	0.3	40.2	0.5	0.0	3.7	24.7	1.2	4.0	5.4	2.9	0.6	16.6	100.0
Namibia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	45.7	0.0	1.5	0.0	1.7	9.7	40.8	100.0
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	31.2	68.2	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
SACU	0.3	36.4	0.4	0.0	3.4	26.6	1.0	3.8	4.9	2.8	1.5	18.8	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	19.0	1.3	7.1	37.2	0.4	15.8	19.0	100.0
SADC	0.2	32.3	0.4	0.0	3.0	25.8	1.1	4.1	8.6	2.6	3.1	18.8	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	85.1	0.0	7.7	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.0	3.8	2.4	100.0
Africa	0.2	32.2	0.4	0.2	3.0	25.7	1.1	4.1	8.6	2.5	3.1	18.8	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	100.0
Singapore	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
India	0.0	99.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Hong Kong	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Israel	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
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	100.0
Other Asia	0.0	94.0	0.0	5.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	100.0
Asia	6.4	93.5	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Belgium	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	58.7	26.7	4.7	0.0	1.0	2.1	6.7	100.0
EU	0.0	99.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
USA	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Canada	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
Rest of World	84.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0
World	4.1	87.7	0.0	0.1	0.4	3.1	0.2	0.5	1.0	0.3	0.4	2.2	100.0

Table 4.1 A: Top 100 Imported Goods – September 2021 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS	HS Description	Value	%
1	71023100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	1,326.1	20.2
2	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1(b)	358.9	5.5
3	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1(g)	355.0	5.4
4	71023900	Other diamonds	205.3	3.1
5	84314990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 84.25 to 84.30; of machinery of heading 84.26, 84.29 or 84.30	107.4	1.6
6	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	85.6	1.3
7	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02)	84.1	1.3
8	25232900	Other Portland cement	71.1	1.1
9	27160000	Electrical energy	68.7	1.0
10	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	66.8	1.0
11	87089990	Other parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05	58.1	0.9
12	17011400	Other cane sugar	51.6	0.8
13	22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, in sealed containers holding 2,5 li or less (excluding those in collapsible plastic tubes)	40.4	0.6
14	85444990	Other Insulated (Including Enameled Or Anodized) Wire, Cable (Including Co-Axial Cable) And Other Insulated Electric Conductors	40.1	0.6
15	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	36.6	0.6
16	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))	35.9	0.5
17	84295190	Self-propelled front-end shovel loaders (other than specially designed for underground use or crawler shovel loaders	34.2	0.5
18	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substances	31.6	0.5
19	87042390	Other vehicles, with compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel),G.V.M. exceeding 20 tonnes	30.0	0.5
20	64059090	Other footwear	29.9	0.5
21	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the process of cooking food	29.2	0.4
22	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	28.1	0.4
23	87041090	Other motorvehicles for the transportation of goods excluding dumpers designed for highway use	27.2	0.4
24	34012000	Soap in other forms	26.4	0.4
25	33049990	Other Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin (other than medicaments), including sunscreen or sun tan preparations	26.4	0.4
26	74081100	Of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	26.3	0.4
27	84749000	Parts	26.0	0.4
28	33021000	Of a kind used in the food or drink industries	25.9	0.4
29	84303100	Self-propelled	25.0	0.4
30	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	24.5	0.4
31	38220000	Diagnostic or laboratory reagents on a backing, prepared diagnostic or laboratory reagents whether or not on a backing (excluding those of heading 30.02 or 30.06); certified reference materials	24.4	0.4
32	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.)	24.3	0.4
33	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	23.4	0.4
34	27101252	Other prepared lubricating oils	22.6	0.3
35	84713090	Other portable automatic data processing machines, of a mass not exceeding 10 kg, consisting of at least a central processing unit, a keyboard and a display	22.2	0.3
36	68129100	Clothing, clothing accessories, footwear and headgear	22.2	0.3
37	85171210	Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	21.8	0.3
38	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	21.8	0.3
39	84304100	Self-propelled	21.7	0.3
40	39269090	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	21.4	0.3
41	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	20.8	0.3
42	85176290	Other machines for the reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, including switching and routing apparatus	20.3	0.3
43	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	19.9	0.3
44	30023000	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	19.2	0.3
45	42034000	Other clothing accessories	17.4	0.3
46	87043190	Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods g.v.m. not exceeding 5 tonnes	17.2	0.3
47	31023000	Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	17.0	0.3
48	27111390	Other Butanes, Liquefied	16.8	0.3
49	84295900	Other mechanical shovels, excavators and shovel loaders	16.6	0.3
50	84741000	Sorting, screening, separating or washing machines	16.1	0.2

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

Rank	HS	Description	Value	%
51	19053100	Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soya-bean oil	15.7	0.2
52	48181000	Parts for boring or sinking machinery of subheading 8430.41 or 8430.49	15.6	0.2
53	23099092	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	15.5	0.2
54	87043190	Other Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	15.2	0.2
55	19041000	Yoghurt	15.1	0.2
56	44031100	Other instruments and appliances	15.0	0.2
57	10059090	Other parts	15.0	0.2
58	84719000	Other (milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1 per cent)	14.7	0.2
59	19023000	Other vehicles, with only spark-ignition internal combustion reciprocating piston engine, of a cylinder capacity exceeding 1 000 cc but not exceeding 1 500 cc, excluding hearses and ambulances	14.3	0.2
60	21069090	Other Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	14.2	0.2
61	04031000	Sweet biscuits	14.1	0.2
62	87042290	Coniferous Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared, Treated with paint, stains, creosote or other preservatives	14.0	0.2
63	22030090	Vaccines for human medicine	13.9	0.2
64	84741000	Other vehicles with compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel), G.V.M. exceeding 5 tonnes but not exceeding 20 tonnes :	13.8	0.2
65	30039090	Preparations suitable for infants or young children, put up for retail sale	13.8	0.2
66	24022090	Other articles of iron or steel	13.7	0.2
67	85369020	Other trailers and semi-trailers	13.6	0.2
68	94069090	Other Polymers of ethylene	13.5	0.2
69	23040000	Other (Maize (Corn))	13.2	0.2
70	34029000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom	13.1	0.2
71	84304900	Other spices	12.8	0.2
72	20098950	Other motor vehicles g.v.m not exceeding 5 tonnes	12.8	0.2
73	84388000	Other apparatus	12.7	0.2
74	72230000	"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"	12.2	0.2
75	85044000	Other fruit juices	12.2	0.2
76	84292000	Processing units (excluding those of subheading 8471.41 or 8471.49), whether or not containing in the same housing one or two of the following types of units: storage units, input units, output units	12.1	0.2
77	33021000	Of stainless steel	12.0	0.2
78	19049090	Other Printed books, brochures, leaflets and similar printed matter	11.9	0.2
79	30023000	Tractor of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	11.6	0.2
80	85389090	Filtering or purifying machinery and apparatus for liquids : For filtering or purifying water	11.6	0.2
81	85369090	Other vehicles, with only compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel), of a cylinder capacity exceeding 2500 cc, excluding hearses and ambulances	11.5	0.2
82	87033390	Other parts suitable for use solely r principally with the apparatus of heading 8535, 8536 or 8537	11.5	0.2
83	76129040	Other milk, whether or not containing added minerals, vitamins, enzymes and similar additives solely for the purpose of increasing the nutritional value and provided these additives do not exceed 1 per cent by volume of the final product	11.4	0.2
84	69074000	Special purpose motor vehicles other than for transport of persons or of goods	11.3	0.2
85	04012009	Mixtures of Fruit juices	11.2	0.2
86	94036000	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)	11.2	0.2
87	34022000	Transmission shafts (including cam shafts and crank shafts) and cranks	11.1	0.2
88	87032290	Sardines (pilchards) (SARDINOPS SPP.), in airtight metal containers for human consumption	11.0	0.2
89	73041100	Identifiable for use solely or principally with motor vehicles	10.8	0.2
90	44209000	Doors and their frames and thresholds	10.7	0.2
91	84713010	Other pasta	10.5	0.2
92	39012000	Toilet paper	10.5	0.2
93	39019090	Finishing ceramics	10.1	0.2
94	87042390	Other Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of heading 8428	10.1	0.2
95	85176990	Static converters	10.0	0.2
96	85043400	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal products	9.6	0.1
97	90319000	Other Ferrosilicon containing by weight 55% or less of silicon	9.4	0.1
98	87042190	Other Personal deodorants and antiperspirants	9.4	0.1
99	33072090	Other (cereals (other than maize (corn), in grain form or in the form of flakes or other worked grains (except flour, groats and meal), pre-cooked or otherwise prepared, not elsewhere specified or included)	9.4	0.1
100	85444290	Other instruments and apparatus using optical radiations (UV, visible, IR)	9.3	0.1
Top 100 Imported			4,408.5	67.2
Other Imported			2,151.8	32.8
Total			6,560.4	100.0

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

Rank	HS	Description	Value	%
1	71023100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	4,464.16	73.5
2	71023900	Other diamonds	842.82	13.9
3	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	247.21	4.1
4	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	108.07	1.8
5	28362000	Disodium carbonate	31.15	0.5
6	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	30.63	0.5
7	85442090	Other co-axial cable and other co-axial electric conductors	25.09	0.4
8	71022100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	23.68	0.4
9	27011900	Other coal	17.87	0.3
10	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	17.51	0.3
11	85444290	Other insulated electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1,000 V, fitted with connectors, NES	12.53	0.2
12	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton	12.07	0.2
13	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	11.97	0.2
14	27011200	Bituminous coal	9.98	0.2
15	01022900	Other (cattle)	7.73	0.1
16	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	6.16	0.1
17	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	5.59	0.1
18	72149900	Other hot rolled bars and rods of iron or non alloy steel	5.38	0.1
19	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	5.34	0.1
20	07082000	Beans (VIGNA SPP., PHASEOLUS SPP.), shelled or unshelled, fresh or chilled	5.05	0.1
21	84314990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 84.25 to 84.30; of machinery of heading 84.26, 84.29 or 84.30	4.84	0.1
22	02021000	Carcasses and half-carcasses (of bovine animals, frozen)	4.50	0.1
23	30033100	Medicaments Containing insulin	4.42	0.1
24	58081000	Braids in the piece	4.08	0.1
25	72041000	Waste aand scrap of cast iron	3.93	0.1
26	72042900	Other waste and scrap of alloy steel	3.86	0.1
27	74040090	Other copper waste and scrap; copper waste and scrap	3.54	0.1
28	72142000	Containing indentations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process or twisted after rolling	3.48	0.1
29	26011200	Agglomerated Iron ores and concentrates, other than roasted iron pyrites	3.37	0.1
30	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02)	3.26	0.1
31	84798990	Other Machines & Mechanical appliances NES	3.23	0.1
32	84799000	Parts	3.11	0.1
33	87089990	Other parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05	2.95	0.0
34	39219027	Other plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of polymers of ethylene, unprinted	2.80	0.0
35	22083010	Whiskies, In containers holding 2 li or less	2.76	0.0
36	71081200	Other unwrought forms	2.70	0.0
37	28331100	Disodium sulphate	2.67	0.0
38	30023000	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	2.54	0.0
39	20052090	Other Potatoes	2.53	0.0
40	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	2.51	0.0
41	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	2.31	0.0
42	23023000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of wheat	2.19	0.0
43	87042210	Shuttle cars for use in underground mines; low construction flame-proof vehicles, equipped with control mechanisms both in the front and at the rear, for use in underground mines	2.10	0.0
44	41039090	Other raw hides and skins	1.98	0.0
45	85176290	Other machines for the reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, including switching and routing apparatus	1.91	0.0
46	39232117	Flat bags, with a thickness of 24 microns or more (excluding immediate packings, zip-lock bags and household bags including refuse bags and refuse bin liners), Of polymers of ethylene	1.91	0.0
47	74071000	Of refined copper	1.88	0.0
48	85068090	Other car batteries	1.87	0.0
49	85284910	Colour, with a screen size not exceeding 3 m x 4 m	1.86	0.0
50	39189090	Other Floor coverings and wall or ceiling coverings, of plastics	1.80	0.0
Top 50 Exported			5,975.07	98.3
Other Exported			102.35	1.7
Total			6,077.42	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.