

BOTSWANA FOOD IMPORTS

January 2022

In January 2022, Botswana's total imports were valued at **P6, 932,828,809.5**. In this amount, food imports contributed **P845, 687,106.2** translating to 12.2 percent. Cereals accounted for 22.4 percent of food imports, followed by Beverages, Spirits & Vinegar and Preparations of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts or Other Parts of Plants, with 19.2 percent and 7.8 percent respectively.

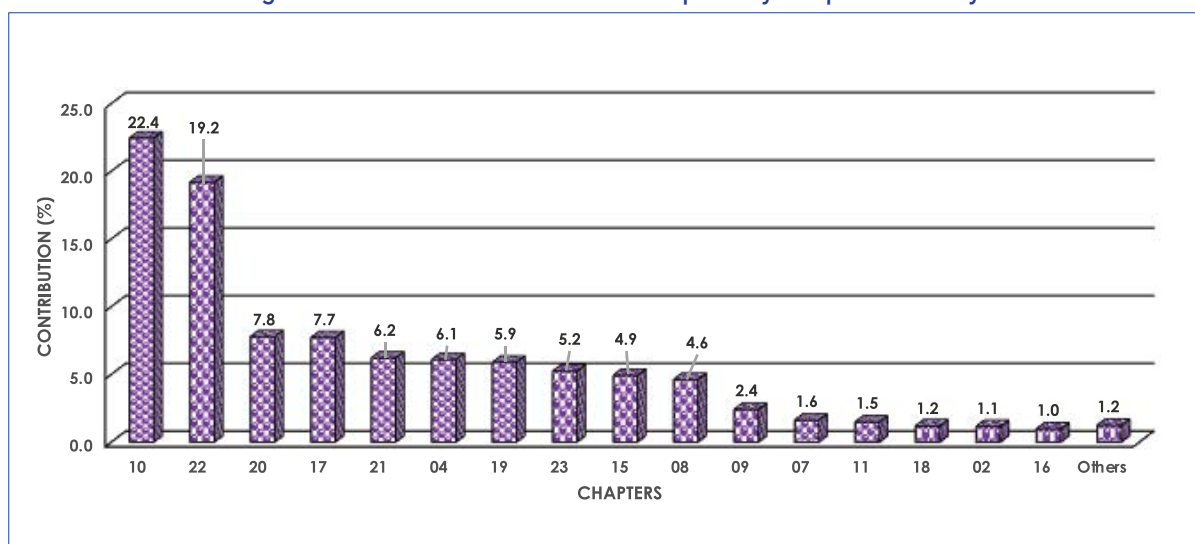
Among cereals, the most imported in January 2022 was "Other wheat, excluding durum wheat" and "Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption", accounting for 43.1 percent and 27.3 percent respectively.

Regarding Beverages, Spirits & Vinegar, the most imported were Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters in sealed containers, accounting for 24.2 percent. Other beer made from malt, with an alcohol content of 5 percent or less and Other non- alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices, followed with contributions of 15.2 percent and 11.0 percent respectively.

Table1: Botswana Food (excluding live animals) imports - January 2022 (Pula)

Rank	Chapter	Chapter Description \ Year	BW Pula	Contribution(%)
1	10	Cereals	189,677,223.8	22.4
2	22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	162,094,248.7	19.2
3	20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants	65,720,080.4	7.8
4	17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	65,153,166.1	7.7
5	21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	52,479,593.8	6.2
6	04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin	51,478,711.7	6.1
7	19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastrycooks' products	49,650,125.7	5.9
8	23	Food industries, residues and wastes thereof; prepared animal fodder	44,185,998.5	5.2
9	15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products	41,607,317.0	4.9
10	08	Fruit and nuts, edible; peel of citrus fruit or melons	38,997,285.1	4.6
11	09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	20,291,976.2	2.4
12	07	Vegetables and certain roots and tubers; edible	13,606,154.6	1.6
13	11	Products of the milling industry; malt, starches, inulin, wheat gluten	12,485,629.0	1.5
14	18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	10,035,739.6	1.2
15	02	Meat and edible meat offal	9,664,332.5	1.1
16	16	Meat, fish or crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates; preparations	8,172,198.1	1.0
Other Food Imports			10,387,325.3	1.2
Total Food Imports			845,687,106.2	100.0
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Percentage Distribution of Botswana Food imports by Chapter –January 2022



Note: "Others" combine Chapters 3, 5, 6, 12, 13 & 14

Table 2: Breakdown of the top two food Imports –January 2022

Cereals			
HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contributions (%)
10019900	Other wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	81,663,426.7	43.1
10059010	Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption	51,833,481.2	27.3
10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	31,441,744.2	16.6
10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	18,268,895.4	9.6
Other	Others	6,469,676.4	3.4
Total		189,677,223.8	100.0
Beverages, Spirits and Vinegar			
HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contributions (%)
22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, in sealed containers	39,149,705.3	24.2
22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	24,600,458.4	15.2
22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices	17,852,549.1	11.0
22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content exceeding 5 per cent	13,467,939.3	8.3
22060019	Other fermented beverages or non-malted cereal grains, unfortified	12,406,227.3	7.7
22060081	Other fermented apple or pear beverages, unfortified	11,607,295.6	7.2
22030005	Traditional African Beer as defined in additional Note 1 to Chapter 22	8,218,092.9	5.1
Other		34,791,980.8	21.5
Total		162,094,248.7	100.0

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