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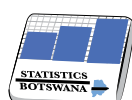
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Preface

International Merchandise Trade Statistics measures the movement of goods across the border of a country, hence has a vital role in the world economy as it accounts for all transactions 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 remain one of the major indicators of the performance of a country's economy and its competitiveness in the world market.

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

This publication outlines Botswana's monthly International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) for December 2022. It shows summaries of total international merchandise trade as presented in **Table 1.0**. Trade by principal commodity groups is presented in **Table 2.1** for imports and **Table 2.2** for exports, while **Table 2.3** gives trade on diamonds only. The direction of trade appears in **Table 3.1A** (imports) and **Table 3.2A** (total exports). Major trading partner countries by commodity groups, as a percentage of trade at the region or country level, for December 2022 are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. **Table 4.1A** presents statistics on the most imported commodities during December 2022, while exports are given in **Table 4.1B**.

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

International trade statistics by mode of transport are collected for the 'active modes of transport (road, rail, air) with 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.

The top traded commodities for both flows are presented in **Table 4.1A** for imports and **Table 4.1B** for exports. This is to guide users on opportunities to produce commodities for import substitution or possible exportation.

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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



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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 December 2022.

Botswana's merchandise imports in December 2022 were valued at P7, 855.6 million, a rise of 10.4 percent compared to the revised November 2022 value of P7, 115.6 million. Total exports amounted to P7, 843.4 million, exhibiting a decline of 7.9 percent from the revised November 2022 value of P8, 514.3 million.

The leading import commodity groups were Diamonds with a contribution of 29.7 percent, followed by Fuel with 21.1 percent. Food, Beverages & Tobacco followed with a contribution of 12.8 percent to total imports. The top export commodity groups were Diamonds, Copper and Machinery & Electrical Equipment, which contributed 85.0 percent, 5.7 percent and 1.5 percent to total exports respectively, during the reference month.

In December 2022, imports from Southern African Customs Union (**SACU**) made a contribution of 73.2 percent, whilst those from Asia and the European Union (**EU**) accounted for 10.1 percent and 5.6 percent of total imports respectively. Imports from South Africa accounted for 67.8 percent while those from Canada accounted for 7.1 percent of the total. India and Namibia provided imports representing 5.8 percent and 5.1 percent of total imports respectively.

Exports destined to Asia, the EU and SACU accounted for 69.6 percent, 16.8 percent and 5.8 percent of the total exports, respectively, during the month under review. United Arab Emirates (UAE), Belgium and India received exports representing 36.4 percent, 16.7 percent and 12.7 percent of the monthly total, in that order.

During the reference period, imports transported by Road accounted for 62.3 percent whereas those entering the country by Air and Rail represented 30.8 percent and 6.9 percent, respectively. Exports by Air accounted for 87.0 percent of total exports, while those by road and rail transport represented 12.3 percent and 0.7 percent respectively.

1.0 Total Trade

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance. The discussions are based on December 2022, which is also referred to as the reference period, the period under review or the current month, throughout the digest.

1.1 Data Revision

This digest is based on preliminary figures as regards to the reference period. Revisions to the monthly data are subsequently made when new information becomes available. Revisions are made on a monthly basis, when monthly data files are uploaded into the database, bringing additional information for previous months. In some instances, revisions are negligible while significant in others.

Transactions for November 2022 had late customs duty assessments which were undertaken in December 2022. **Table A** shows revised data, comparing figures as at the November 2022 Digest and the current. As shown in **Table A** below, both trade flows, imports and exports, were revised upwards by 2.0 percent and 1.6 percent respectively.

Table A: Data Revision: November 2022 (Million Pula)

Period/ Indicators	As at November 2022 Digest			As at December 2022 Digest			Difference			Difference as %		
	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Nov	6,974.3	8,382.1	1,407.8	7,115.6	8,514.3	1,398.7	141.3	132.2	(9.1)	2.0	1.6	(0.6)

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1.2 Imports

Imports are valued at Cost, Insurance & Freight (CIF), which includes the cost of the commodity, insurance and freight charges, but excludes customs or any other duties paid on arrival. In December 2022, the value of total imports was P7, 855.6 million, registering a positive growth of 10.4 percent (P740.0 million) from the revised November 2022 figure of P7, 115.6 million. The rise was attributed to an upsurge of Diamonds imports by more than 100 percent (P1, 694.3 million) and a 9.0 percent (P137.0 million) increase in fuel imports, as displayed in **Table 2.1** respectively.

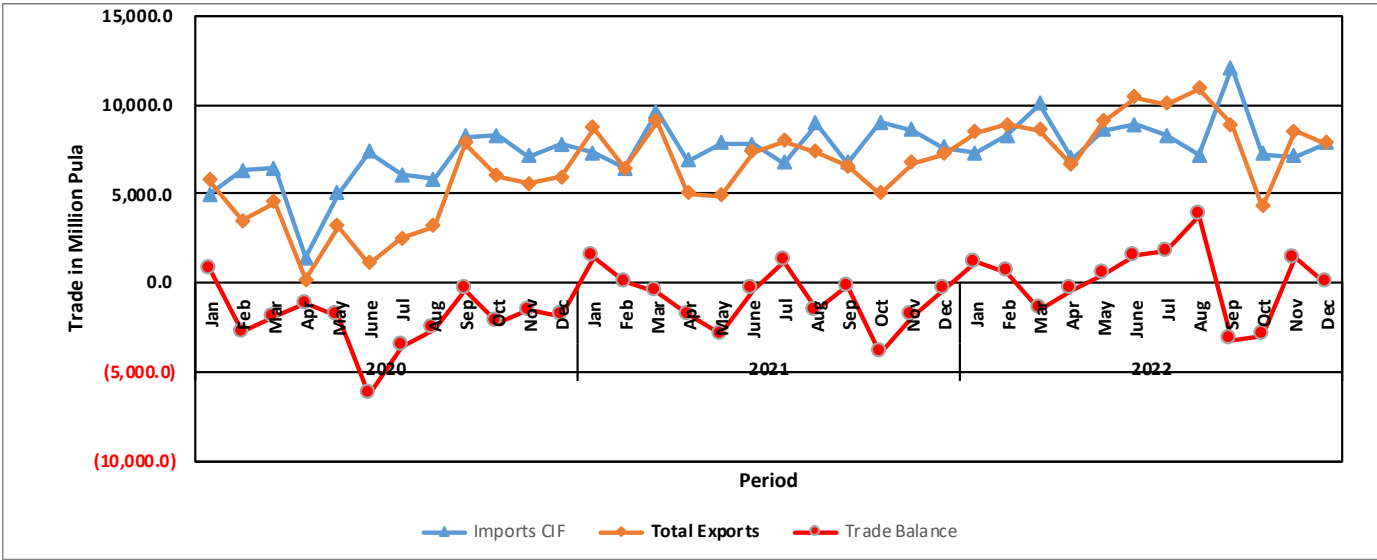
1.3 Total Exports

Botswana registered a drop of 7.9 percent (P671.0 million) in the total export value, from the revised November 2022 figure of P8, 514.3 million to P7, 843.4 million in December 2022. The decrease was attributed largely to the decline in Diamonds exports, by 9.0 percent (P655.6 million) from the revised November 2022 value of P7, 325.2 million to P6, 669.5 million in December 2022. Exports of Machinery & Electrical Equipment were valued at P114.9 million in December 2022, showing a decline of 60.5 percent (P176.0 million) when compared to the revised November value of P290.8 million.

1.4 Trade Balance

In December 2022 Botswana exported P7, 843.4 million and imported P7, 855.6 million worth of goods, resulting in a trade deficit of P12.2 million. **Chart 1.0** displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2020 to December 2022.

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



2.0 Trade by Principal Commodity Groups

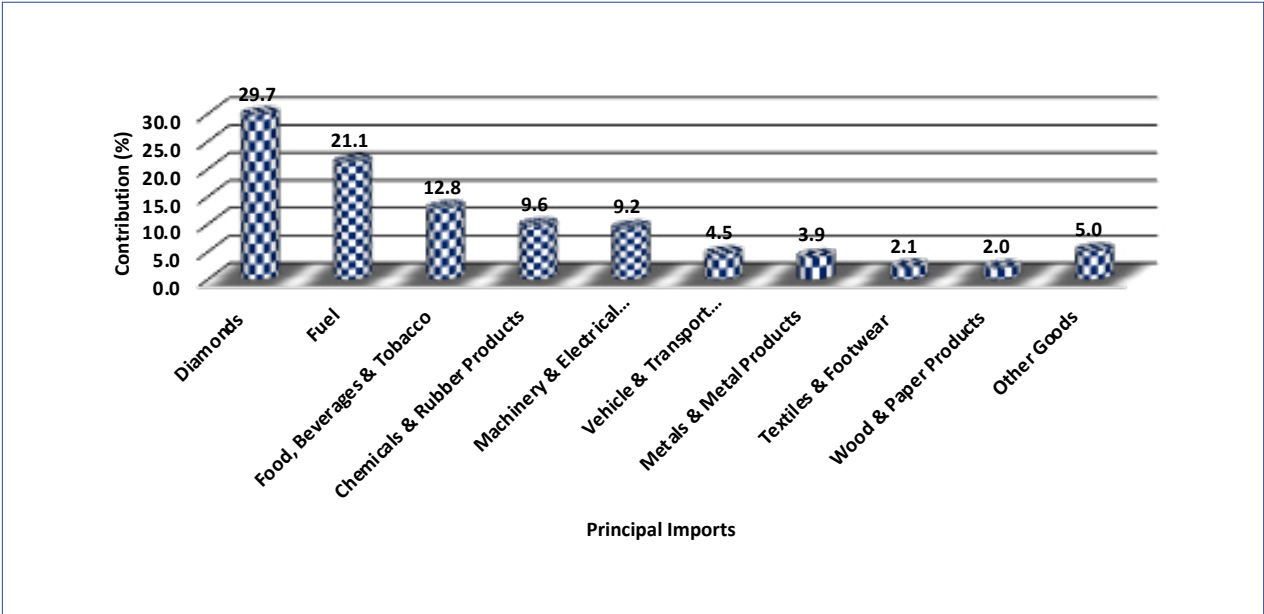
Principal commodity groups refer to selections of related commodities grouped together to form major groups. Commodities forming a group may be of related chapters or commodities, for example 'Vehicles & Transport Equipment' combines vehicles and other equipment used for transport purposes.

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

2.1 Principal Imports

During December 2022, Botswana received imports valued at P7, 855.6 million. The top import groups were; Diamonds; Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Machinery & Electrical Equipment. Diamonds and Fuel imports contributed 29.7 percent (P2, 335.8 million) and 21.1 percent (P1, 658.8 million) to total imports respectively. Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Chemicals & Rubber Products followed with contributions of 12.8 percent (P1, 003.2 million) and 9.6 percent (P756.4 million) to total imports 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-December 2022

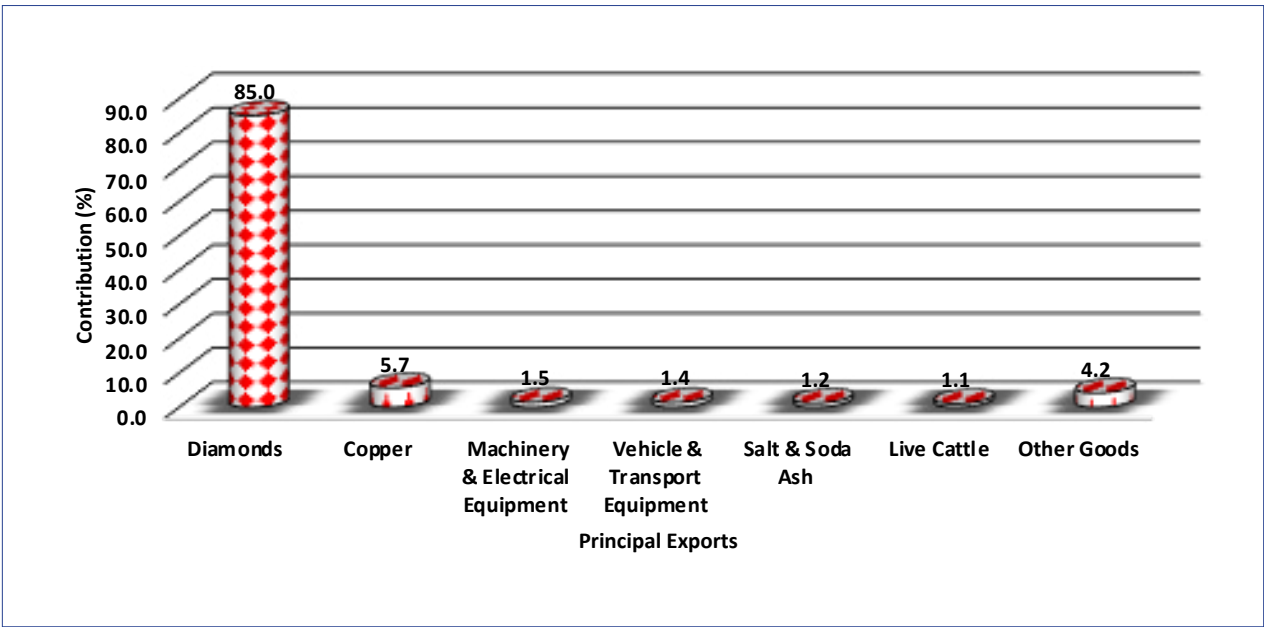


Note: 'Other Goods' here includes any other goods not displayed as in Table 2.1

2.2 Principal Exports

Botswana exported merchandise valued at P7,843.4 million in December 2022. The Diamonds group accounted for 85.0 percent (P6,669.5 million), followed by Copper at 5.7 percent (P445.1 million). Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 1.5 percent (P114.9 million) to the monthly total value of exports. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in Table 2.2 and Chart 2.2.

Chart 2.2 Composition of Principal Exports – November 2022



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

3.0 Direction of Trade

The direction of Trade analyses the value of merchandise trade disaggregated according to a country's primary trading partners. As a result the direction of trade discusses the last known destination for exports and sources of imports. Only major trading partners are considered individually, while smaller trading partners are grouped together under a general category. Trade by major trading partner countries, regions and principal commodity groups for imports and exports, during December 2022 appears in [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.2A](#), respectively. [Table 3.1B](#) (imports) and [Table 3.2B](#) (exports) show percentage distributions for major sources and destinations by principal commodity groups during the same month.

3.1 Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Botswana imported goods worth P7, 855.6 million, in December 2022. The SACU region was the top supplier at 73.2 percent (P5, 752.9 million) to the total. The top most imported commodity groups from the customs union were; Fuel, Diamonds and Food, Beverages & Tobacco with contributions of 27.8 percent (P1, 597.1 million), 18.1 percent (P1, 043.0 million) and 16.4 percent (P941.6 million), respectively. Chemicals & Rubber Products contributed 10.9 percent (P627.6 million) to imports from the region, refer to [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#).

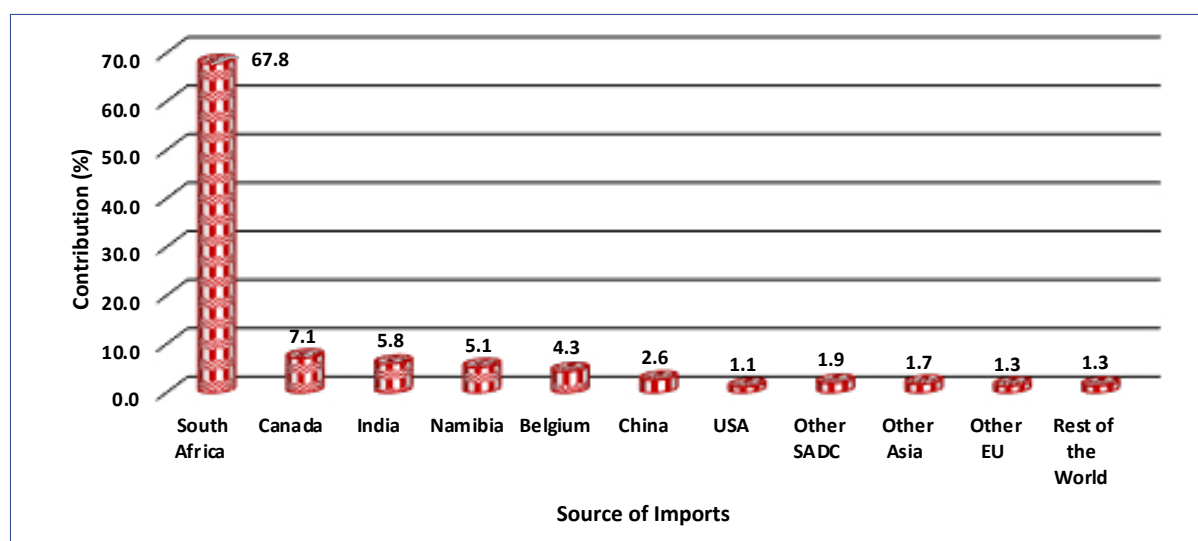
In the same, South Africa supplied imports representing 67.8 percent (P5, 324.4 million) of total imports. Fuel, Diamonds and Food, Beverages & Tobacco contributed 23.5 percent (P1, 249.2 million), 18.9 percent (P1, 007.6 million) and 17.4 percent (P927.2 million) to total imports from that country, respectively. Namibia supplied imports worth P403.5 million, representing 5.1 percent of total imports. The most imported commodities were Fuel and Diamonds with contributions of 86.2 percent (P347.9 million) and 8.8 percent (P35.4 million) respectively.

Asia supplied imports worth P791.2 million, representing 10.1 percent of Botswana's total imports. The major commodity groups imported were Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with contributions of 53.5 percent (P423.5 million) and 19.0 percent (P150.2 million) of total imports from the block, respectively. India and China made contributions of 5.8 percent (P459.1 million) and 2.6 percent (P200.5 million) to total imports respectively.

Botswana received imports worth P438.2 million (5.6 percent) from the [EU](#) in December 2022. Belgium contributed 4.3 percent (P337.7 million) of all the imports. The major commodity groups imported from the [EU](#) were Diamonds and Chemicals & Rubber Products at 72.3 percent (P316.8 million) and 10.5 percent (P46.1 million) of all imports from the union respectively.

In December 2022, Canada and the USA contributed 7.1 percent (P554.9 million) and 1.1 percent (P85.6 million) of total imports respectively. Sources of imports during December 2022 can be viewed in [Table 3.1 A](#) and [Chart 3.1](#).

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



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"Other..." includes all countries in the regional block except those displayed on the chart

3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

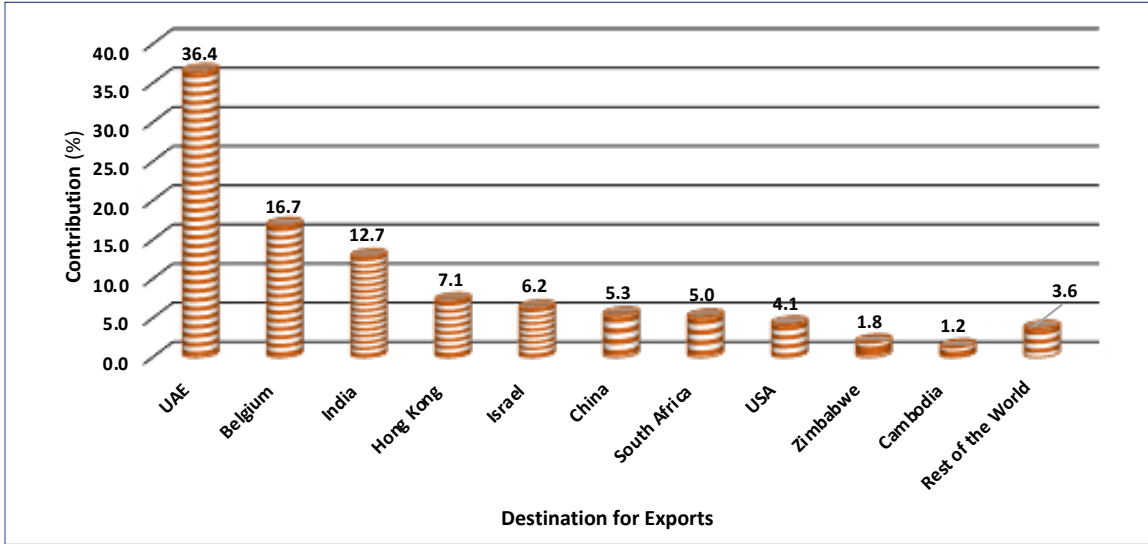
Botswana exported merchandise valued at P7, 843.4 million in December 2022. In so far as the top export destinations are concerned, Asia was the largest export market for Botswana, having received 69.6 percent (P5, 457.8 million) of total exports. These exports were mainly destined for the **UAE**, India and Hong Kong, with 36.4 percent (P2, 851.1 million), 12.7 percent (P998.1 million) and 7.1 percent (P556.7 million) share of total exports, respectively. Diamonds was the major commodity group exported to Asia during the current period as shown in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

The **EU** received exports amounting to P1, 314.2 million, representing 16.8 percent of total exports during the month. Belgium received almost all the exports destined for the union, with Diamonds being the main commodity group exported to the EU as displayed in **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

Exports destined to the **SACU** region amounted to P456.9 million, accounting for 5.8 percent of total exports. Live Cattle, Salt & Soda Ash and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the major commodity groups exported to **SACU**, accounting for 17.6 percent (P80.3 million), 16.8 percent (P76.6 million) and 16.1 percent (P73.8 million) of total exports to the customs union respectively. South Africa was the main recipient of **SACU** destined exports at 5.0 percent (P390.4 million) of total exports.

The USA received exports worth P324.0 million, representing 4.1 percent of Botswana's total exports. The major commodity groups exported to the USA were Diamonds and Vehicles & Transport Equipment with contributions of 75.4 percent (P244.4 million) and 23.2 percent (P75.2 million). 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 – December 2022



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

"Other..." includes all countries in the regional block except those displayed on the chart

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 the compilation of International Merchandise Trade Statistics, the mode of transport refers to the method used for the mobility 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 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 imports accounting for 62.3 percent (P4, 893.9 million) of the total value were transported into the country by Road, while those carried by Air and Rail represented 30.8 percent (P2, 418.2 million) and 6.9 percent (P541.5 million) respectively.

Goods that left the country by Air were valued at P6, 822.7 million, representing 87.0 percent of total exports, while those exported by Road and Rail accounted for 12.3 percent (P962.4 million) and 0.7 percent (P58.0 million) in that order.

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

Flow Type	Imports		Total Exports	
Mode of Transport	BW Pula	%	BW Pula	%
Rail	541.5	6.9	58.0	0.7
Road	4,893.9	62.3	962.4	12.3
Air	2,418.2	30.8	6,822.7	87.0
Other modes	2.0	0.0	0.3	0.0
Total	7,855.6	100.0	7,843.4	100.0

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

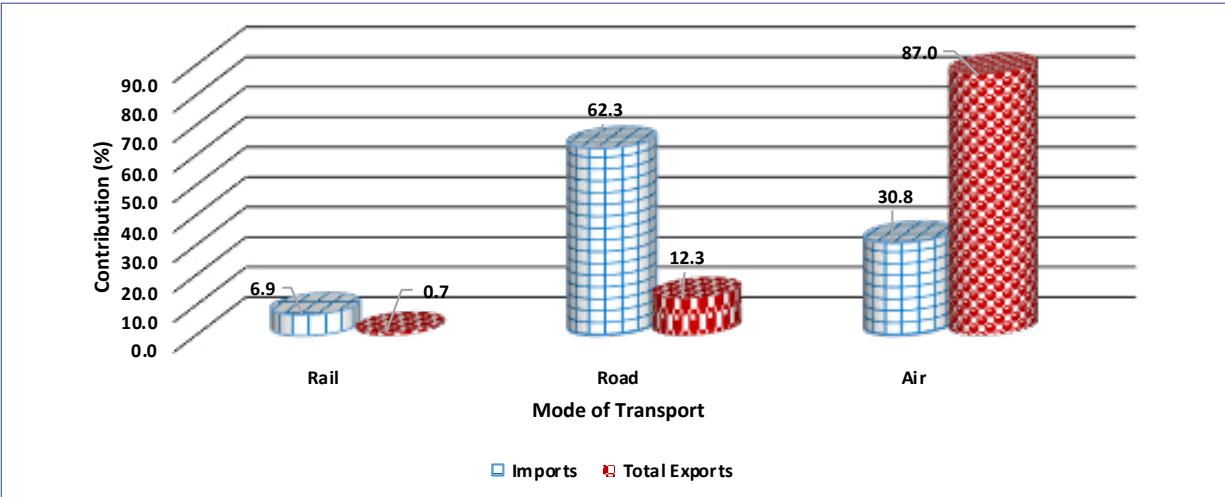


Table 1.0 : Total Merchandise Trade - January 2020 to December 2022 (Million Pula)

Period \ Indicators	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan_2020	4,961.1	4,738.0	222.3	0.9	5,707.4	9.2	5,716.7	755.6
Feb	6,270.6	5,999.2	270.0	1.4	3,465.9	0.6	3,466.5	(2,804.1)
Mar	6,445.7	6,179.9	264.4	1.4	4,517.8	0.2	4,518.0	(1,927.7)
Q1	17,677.4	16,917.1	756.7	3.7	13,691.1	10.1	13,701.2	(3,976.2)
Apr	1,384.1	1,295.7	88.0	0.4	173.0	0.1	173.0	(1,211.1)
May	5,030.8	4,792.6	237.6	0.6	3,198.2	0.1	3,198.3	(1,832.5)
Jun	7,335.9	7,083.2	251.7	1.0	1,071.6	0.2	1,071.8	(6,264.1)
Q2	13,750.7	13,171.5	577.2	2.0	4,442.8	0.3	4,443.1	(9,307.6)
Jul	6,040.1	5,748.1	290.7	1.3	2,471.5	0.2	2,471.7	(3,568.4)
Aug	5,787.7	5,565.7	220.6	1.4	3,196.2	1.1	3,197.3	(2,590.4)
Sep	8,171.6	7,932.5	238.0	1.1	7,798.9	0.4	7,799.3	(372.3)
Q3	19,999.4	19,246.3	749.4	3.7	13,466.6	1.7	13,468.3	(6,531.1)
Oct	8,258.5	7,994.7	262.7	1.0	6,007.7	0.7	6,008.4	(2,250.0)
Nov	7,103.3	6,828.4	272.8	2.1	5,552.0	0.0	5,552.0	(1,551.3)
Dec	7,783.4	7,485.0	296.6	1.8	5,941.9	0.6	5,942.5	(1,840.9)
Q4	23,145.2	22,308.0	832.2	5.0	17,501.6	1.4	17,502.9	(5,642.2)
Total_2020	74,572.8	71,642.9	2,915.5	14.4	49,102.1	13.5	49,115.6	(25,457.2)
Jan_2021	7,250.8	6,987.7	261.6	1.4	8,688.2	0.3	8,688.5	1,437.7
Feb	6,402.0	6,130.6	269.7	1.6	6,443.6	0.0	6,443.6	41.6
Mar	9,580.1	9,228.0	350.7	1.4	9,039.6	0.0	9,039.6	(540.5)
Q1	23,232.8	22,346.3	882.0	4.5	24,171.4	0.4	24,171.7	938.9
Apr	6,856.4	6,563.8	291.2	1.3	5,030.5	0.0	5,030.5	(1,825.8)
May	7,815.8	7,523.9	290.5	1.4	4,898.1	0.0	4,898.1	(2,917.7)
Jun	7,740.3	7,467.9	270.8	1.6	7,367.8	0.9	7,368.8	(371.6)
Q2	22,412.5	21,555.6	852.6	4.3	17,296.4	0.9	17,297.3	(5,115.1)
Jul	6,705.6	6,428.4	275.9	1.3	7,930.1	0.2	7,930.3	1,224.7
Aug	8,903.9	8,561.4	340.9	1.7	7,367.5	0.0	7,367.5	(1,536.3)
Sep	6,751.7	6,473.4	276.7	1.6	6,553.6	1.9	6,555.5	(196.2)
Q3	22,361.1	21,463.2	893.4	4.5	21,851.3	2.0	21,853.4	(507.8)
Oct	9,003.1	8,649.5	351.1	2.5	5,029.7	0.7	5,030.5	(3,972.6)
Nov	8,547.9	8,195.6	350.1	2.3	6,702.2	4.3	6,706.5	(1,841.4)
Dec	7,607.5	7,264.2	341.6	1.7	7,199.2	5.5	7,204.7	(402.8)
Q4	25,158.5	24,109.3	1,042.8	6.4	18,931.1	10.5	18,941.7	(6,216.8)
Total_2021	93,165.0	89,474.4	3,670.8	19.7	82,250.2	13.9	82,264.1	(10,900.9)
Jan_2022	7,288.3	6,974.3	312.1	1.9	8,446.3	0.0	8,446.3	1,158.0
Feb	8,276.3	7,935.9	338.1	2.3	8,841.5	0.1	8,841.6	565.3
Mar	10,019.5	9,624.9	392.2	2.4	8,548.8	0.3	8,549.1	(1,470.5)
Q1	25,584.2	24,535.1	1,042.5	6.6	25,836.6	0.3	25,837.0	252.8
Apr	6,978.5	6,671.7	304.9	1.9	6,606.4	0.0	6,606.4	(372.1)
May	8,577.3	8,252.8	322.8	1.7	9,032.7	0.1	9,032.8	455.5
Jun	8,881.9	8,347.5	532.5	1.8	10,402.7	1.6	10,404.4	1,522.5
Q2	24,437.7	23,272.0	1,160.3	5.4	26,041.8	1.7	26,043.5	1,605.8
Jul	8,281.5	7,931.1	348.8	1.6	10,057.3	0.9	10,058.2	1,776.7
Aug	7,150.1	6,808.7	338.9	2.5	10,910.1	1.7	10,911.9	3,761.8
Sep	12,071.3	11,737.9	331.4	2.0	8,863.4	0.0	8,863.4	(3,207.9)
Q3	27,502.9	26,477.8	1,019.0	6.1	29,830.9	2.6	29,833.5	2,330.6
Oct	7,213.0	6,901.6	310.0	1.4	4,258.1	0.0	4,258.1	(2,954.9)
Nov	7,115.6	6,779.8	334.1	1.7	8,492.6	21.8	8,514.3	1,398.7
Dec	7,855.6	7,565.7	288.0	1.9	7,842.7	0.7	7,843.4	(12.2)
Q4	22,184.3	21,247.2	932.0	5.1	20,593.3	22.5	20,615.8	(1,568.5)
Total_2022	99,709.0	95,532.1	4,153.8	23.2	102,302.6	27.2	102,329.8	2,620.8

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

Period \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt, Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2020	520.6	751.4	801.1	1,037.3	55.7	761.7	207.1	60.6	93.8	383.0	116.8	172.0	4,961.1
Feb	527.0	1,144.8	823.5	731.1	71.8	868.0	282.3	71.5	154.3	820.2	149.6	626.5	6,270.6
Mar	619.2	1,672.4	865.8	1,080.7	65.3	864.0	249.2	53.9	148.9	466.7	128.5	231.2	6,445.7
Q1	1,666.8	3,568.6	2,490.4	2,849.1	192.7	2,493.8	738.6	186.0	397.0	1,669.9	394.9	1,029.7	17,677.4
Apr	273.4	0.0	521.2	208.9	5.8	194.2	34.8	5.7	32.7	18.2	34.7	54.4	1,384.1
May	537.8	974.1	573.8	1,011.8	33.8	486.6	148.1	30.6	117.1	792.6	86.6	237.8	5,030.8
Jun	665.6	3,426.7	670.4	548.0	65.8	766.5	229.3	59.4	122.9	462.5	126.0	192.8	7,335.9
Q2	1,476.9	4,400.8	1,765.4	1,768.7	105.5	1,447.3	412.2	95.7	272.8	1,273.3	247.2	485.1	13,750.7
Jul	639.4	942.4	783.8	1,725.3	57.2	664.4	263.0	62.0	105.9	467.6	129.6	199.4	6,040.1
Aug	556.3	1,734.4	786.0	722.3	70.2	633.5	241.1	71.5	128.8	396.4	125.6	321.7	5,787.7
Sep	686.1	3,848.5	912.0	613.9	73.5	723.0	273.5	65.0	146.5	438.5	148.7	242.4	8,171.6
Q3	1,881.7	6,525.3	2,481.9	3,061.5	200.9	2,020.8	777.7	198.6	381.2	1,302.5	403.9	763.5	19,999.4
Oct	633.4	3,545.1	942.8	737.8	89.0	887.0	349.9	72.6	150.1	437.1	145.1	268.5	8,258.5
Nov	667.5	2,255.0	943.2	652.7	80.1	832.7	390.6	65.5	173.5	618.2	163.4	260.9	7,103.3
Dec	673.0	2,775.8	897.5	599.6	70.6	625.5	333.9	62.7	121.0	1,155.4	151.2	317.2	7,783.4
Q4	1,973.9	8,575.9	2,783.6	1,990.1	239.6	2,345.3	1,074.4	200.9	444.6	2,210.6	459.7	846.6	23,145.2
Total_2020	6,999.2	23,070.6	9,521.2	9,669.4	738.7	8,307.2	3,002.8	681.2	1,495.5	6,456.4	1,505.7	3,124.9	74,572.8
Jan_2021	550.6	3,348.0	852.0	653.8	42.7	611.9	274.7	75.1	123.3	381.4	117.7	219.6	7,250.8
Feb	550.5	2,086.4	795.1	784.4	68.2	738.7	345.3	65.7	152.6	438.2	129.8	246.8	6,402.0
Mar	998.0	3,691.6	890.7	903.9	90.4	929.0	399.4	69.1	174.6	918.2	194.2	321.1	9,580.1
Q1	2,099.1	9,126.1	2,537.8	2,342.1	201.3	2,279.6	1,019.3	209.9	450.5	1,737.9	441.7	787.5	23,232.8
Apr	653.1	1,925.5	806.3	853.8	63.4	738.7	346.9	69.2	177.1	836.0	148.7	237.8	6,856.4
May	658.9	2,883.7	838.2	812.3	54.3	868.1	412.0	70.9	135.8	688.8	159.8	232.8	7,815.8
Jun	773.3	2,846.3	871.3	860.0	57.7	888.6	384.6	78.8	133.6	459.9	147.7	238.5	7,740.3
Q2	2,085.3	7,655.5	2,515.8	2,526.1	175.3	2,495.5	1,143.5	219.0	446.4	1,984.7	456.2	709.1	22,412.5
Jul	634.4	2,181.2	842.7	899.5	47.1	810.6	358.0	74.7	118.5	359.1	154.0	225.7	6,705.6
Aug	748.9	3,563.0	831.5	1,074.2	69.0	962.9	432.1	75.8	156.6	517.1	195.8	277.0	8,903.9
Sep	724.1	1,616.2	954.4	865.9	76.5	957.0	389.7	76.2	189.6	454.9	181.8	265.4	6,751.7
Q3	2,107.4	7,360.3	2,628.6	2,839.6	192.5	2,730.5	1,179.8	226.7	464.7	1,331.2	531.7	768.1	22,361.1
Oct	881.1	3,413.6	1,041.3	1,091.0	75.0	960.9	321.8	70.4	236.5	512.0	162.9	236.6	9,003.1
Nov	796.2	3,014.2	1,036.0	1,110.1	75.9	931.2	392.4	67.9	224.9	480.3	174.4	244.4	8,547.9
Dec	814.7	2,090.8	966.8	1,213.1	59.5	832.4	307.2	61.6	153.8	724.7	151.6	231.3	7,607.5
Q4	2,492.0	8,518.6	3,044.1	3,414.2	210.4	2,724.5	1,021.4	199.9	615.2	1,717.0	488.9	712.3	25,158.5
Total_2021	8,783.8	32,660.5	10,726.2	11,122.0	779.6	10,230.1	4,364.1	855.5	1,976.9	6,770.8	1,918.5	2,977.0	93,165.0
Jan_2022	1,075.4	2,225.2	877.0	1,089.3	29.8	788.9	281.1	60.4	132.0	429.8	130.9	168.5	7,288.3
Feb	628.7	3,295.7	876.5	1,045.5	45.8	1,003.3	351.1	58.9	185.0	429.1	142.2	214.4	8,276.3
Mar	859.1	3,712.3	1,183.1	1,437.6	53.3	1,053.1	509.5	63.7	212.3	513.3	165.7	256.5	10,019.5
Q1	2,563.2	9,233.3	2,936.6	3,572.4	128.9	2,845.2	1,141.8	183.0	529.4	1,372.2	438.8	639.4	25,584.2
Apr	673.3	1,674.8	902.9	1,410.2	45.2	931.9	373.0	58.3	165.3	392.3	140.8	210.4	6,978.5
May	848.8	2,742.7	900.1	1,439.1	70.4	1,105.5	409.1	70.1	182.1	388.9	150.8	269.7	8,577.3
Jun	809.0	1,128.2	2,314.1	1,723.0	55.1	1,136.8	356.0	68.1	166.4	719.8	148.4	257.0	8,881.9
Q2	2,331.1	5,545.6	4,117.1	4,572.3	170.8	3,174.2	1,138.0	196.6	513.8	1,501.0	440.0	737.1	24,437.7
Jul	695.1	1,548.2	978.5	2,295.0	66.4	1,018.5	369.4	67.9	204.4	619.9	163.7	254.4	8,281.5
Aug	737.8	890.5	1,047.3	1,734.4	56.1	963.0	384.0	78.5	215.9	514.5	183.1	345.1	7,150.1
Sep	853.2	5,763.4	1,037.6	1,469.3	59.2	1,097.2	391.2	65.2	215.9	629.3	194.8	295.1	12,071.3
Q3	2,286.1	8,202.1	3,063.4	5,498.6	181.7	3,078.7	1,144.6	211.7	636.2	1,763.7	541.6	894.6	27,502.9
Oct	750.3	1,309.1	1,013.4	1,499.6	64.7	1,067.7	326.6	61.3	203.7	469.5	160.9	286.3	7,213.0
Nov	968.4	641.5	1,152.3	1,521.8	65.2	1,069.0	381.6	63.0	265.4	483.5	193.9	310.0	7,115.6
Dec	756.4	2,335.8	1,003.2	1,658.8	54.7	719.3	309.7	50.5	166.5	353.9	156.0	290.9	7,855.6
Q4	2,475.1	4,286.3	3,168.9	4,680.1	184.5	2,856.1	1,017.9	174.7	635.6	1,306.9	510.9	887.1	22,184.3
Total_2022	9,655.6	27,267.3	13,286.0	18,323.5	665.9	11,954.2	4,442.3	766.0	2,315.0	5,943.7	1,931.3	3,158.3	99,709.0
%Contribution													
Nov	13.6	9.0	16.2	21.4	0.9	15.0	5.4	0.9	3.7	6.8	2.7	4.4	100.0
Dec	9.6	29.7	12.8	21.1	0.7	9.2	3.9	0.6	2.1	4.5	2.0	3.7	100.0
2021	9.4	35.1	11.5	11.9	0.8	11.0	4.7	0.9	2.1	7.3	2.1	3.2	100.0
2022	9.7	27.3	13.3	18.4	0.7	12.0	4.5	0.8	2.3	6.0	1.9	3.2	100.0

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

Period \ HS	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	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_2020	0.2	5,239.7	20.5	0.1	13.0	35.4	159.9	12.5	23.1	64.1	15.6	28.1	104.5	5,716.7
Feb	1.7	2,914.7	46.7	0.1	17.1	72.8	169.2	14.8	25.4	65.8	14.9	30.9	92.6	3,466.5
Mar	280.3	3,778.3	22.6	0.1	12.0	110.8	128.4	8.3	19.4	53.9	12.9	33.9	57.1	4,518.0
Q1	282.2	11,932.6	89.8	0.2	42.1	219.0	457.5	35.6	67.9	183.9	43.4	92.9	254.2	13,701.2
Apr	3.7	0.0	76.7	0.0	0.7	0.3	3.0	12.9	2.5	41.4	0.0	0.0	31.8	173.0
May	3.5	2,931.6	46.5	0.0	4.5	0.0	71.0	18.3	12.0	46.5	7.2	3.6	53.7	3,198.3
Jun	2.1	643.3	23.9	0.1	13.1	1.3	117.7	19.1	27.5	77.9	11.1	27.0	107.7	1,071.8
Q2	9.2	3,574.9	147.1	0.1	18.2	1.5	191.7	50.3	42.1	165.9	18.2	30.7	193.2	4,443.1
Jul	2.2	1,988.4	70.2	0.0	15.3	0.0	137.0	32.9	20.9	52.5	12.7	33.0	106.6	2,471.7
Aug	3.3	2,604.5	48.1	0.1	10.5	0.0	254.1	34.7	37.7	56.5	12.8	36.5	98.5	3,197.3
Sep	0.7	7,297.6	56.5	0.1	17.6	0.0	180.1	22.1	31.9	56.5	15.7	28.1	92.4	7,799.3
Q3	6.3	11,890.4	174.9	0.2	43.4	0.0	571.2	89.6	90.4	165.4	41.3	97.6	297.6	13,468.3
Oct	0.8	5,417.3	33.6	1.0	18.5	67.5	193.5	34.2	37.5	72.4	19.4	25.0	87.9	6,008.4
Nov	0.2	5,002.3	51.6	0.1	16.0	82.0	158.6	7.1	29.8	80.6	26.9	16.2	80.6	5,552.0
Dec	0.0	5,486.9	75.4	0.8	12.6	80.5	65.4	5.8	21.5	61.1	13.1	32.1	87.3	5,942.5
Q4	1.0	15,906.5	160.5	2.0	47.1	230.0	417.4	47.1	88.8	214.1	59.4	73.3	255.8	17,502.9
Total_2020	298.7	43,304.5	572.4	2.5	150.7	450.5	1,637.8	222.6	289.2	729.2	162.3	294.5	1,000.7	49,115.6
Jan_2021	0.2	8,205.5	44.0	0.9	12.4	56.0	169.8	0.6	18.9	65.6	14.9	22.1	77.6	8,688.5
Feb	0.0	5,991.9	16.8	0.0	12.5	60.8	151.7	2.1	29.0	51.6	12.1	20.8	94.3	6,443.6
Mar	0.9	8,455.6	51.5	1.8	25.2	96.7	156.6	9.2	32.4	54.8	18.0	48.5	88.5	9,039.6
Q1	1.1	22,653.0	112.3	2.7	50.1	213.5	478.1	11.9	80.4	172.0	44.9	91.4	260.4	24,171.7
Apr	0.1	4,471.4	0.0	1.5	20.5	63.0	182.3	9.0	33.6	54.8	15.5	30.8	148.1	5,030.5
May	0.3	4,280.0	62.1	1.4	28.6	87.1	152.4	18.2	42.2	54.9	15.3	18.0	137.5	4,898.1
Jun	0.3	6,710.0	35.8	0.1	30.7	100.4	163.3	34.8	39.0	73.9	15.2	20.4	144.8	7,368.8
Q2	0.8	15,461.5	97.9	3.0	79.8	250.5	498.0	62.1	114.8	183.6	46.0	69.2	430.4	17,297.3
Jul	86.8	7,210.0	0.0	1.5	18.3	80.5	183.3	12.7	33.8	104.5	14.6	27.2	157.0	7,930.3
Aug	396.7	6,326.1	71.7	1.8	18.1	90.0	164.1	17.8	24.9	51.3	18.5	35.7	150.9	7,367.5
Sep	247.2	5,771.1	25.3	3.3	24.0	20.3	196.0	13.3	30.6	62.7	18.4	26.0	117.4	6,555.5
Q3	730.8	19,307.2	97.0	6.6	60.4	190.8	543.4	43.7	89.3	218.5	51.5	88.9	425.2	21,853.4
Oct	159.4	4,343.6	31.3	0.6	21.9	63.9	142.5	9.8	33.5	69.4	26.5	18.5	109.7	5,030.5
Nov	170.0	5,799.1	30.4	1.4	17.2	76.0	170.7	18.5	24.5	91.6	25.5	171.9	109.7	6,706.5
Dec	161.3	6,565.1	18.8	1.3	12.7	81.4	98.1	15.0	13.9	73.4	22.2	20.0	121.6	7,204.7
Q4	490.7	16,707.8	80.5	3.3	51.7	221.2	411.3	43.3	72.0	234.4	74.2	210.3	341.0	18,941.7
Total_2021	1,223.3	74,129.5	387.7	15.7	241.9	876.0	1,930.8	161.0	356.4	808.5	216.6	459.8	1,457.0	82,264.1
Jan_2022	200.7	7,702.8	35.8	2.1	24.3	106.0	94.5	3.8	22.9	68.5	16.1	22.3	146.3	8,446.3
Feb	208.7	8,060.0	19.2	1.5	17.4	106.0	181.0	8.4	25.7	59.8	17.5	39.4	97.0	8,841.6
Mar	244.0	7,525.8	47.2	1.6	20.6	105.9	296.3	15.8	29.1	76.9	20.8	34.7	130.2	8,549.1
Q1	653.5	23,288.6	102.2	5.1	62.3	318.0	571.9	28.0	77.8	205.2	54.4	96.4	373.5	25,837.0
Apr	367.3	5,586.4	31.0	0.2	21.9	88.0	211.6	12.3	28.5	42.1	23.1	69.0	124.7	6,606.4
May	314.1	7,882.7	0.0	5.4	22.7	133.9	238.5	19.4	30.9	75.2	33.3	34.1	242.6	9,032.8
Jun	257.9	9,261.0	43.8	1.5	26.9	137.7	237.6	22.2	37.3	93.2	25.5	57.9	201.7	10,404.4
Q2	939.4	22,730.1	74.8	7.1	71.5	359.6	687.7	54.0	96.8	210.5	82.0	161.1	569.0	26,043.5
Jul	363.8	8,819.4	35.5	1.3	23.8	97.4	243.3	14.2	34.0	72.6	23.9	33.9	295.2	10,058.2
Aug	449.9	9,645.7	30.1	1.9	20.1	85.1	216.9	8.8	30.6	125.4	33.1	55.9	208.3	10,911.9
Sep	303.6	7,751.9	14.1	0.0	19.6	14.1	272.8	3.5	36.2	106.9	25.0	115.4	200.3	8,863.4
Q3	1,117.3	26,217.1	79.7	3.2	63.5	196.6	733.0	26.5	100.8	304.9	81.9	205.2	703.8	29,833.5
Oct	467.1	2,997.5	16.8	0.0	20.7	140.9	209.5	4.4	33.7	87.8	28.7	29.9	221.1	4,258.1
Nov	317.9	7,325.2	16.3	2.8	19.8	85.3	290.8	16.2	28.3	89.3	34.4	41.5	246.5	8,514.3
Dec	445.1	6,669.5	18.3	3.1	9.9	82.7	114.9	7.7	21.9	94.9	33.0	107.8	234.6	7,843.4
Q4	1,230.1	16,992.2	51.4	5.8	50.4	308.9	615.2	28.2	83.9	272.1	96.1	179.3	702.2	20,615.8
Total_2022	3,940.3	89,228.0	308.2	21.3	247.8	1,183.0	2,607.9	136.6	359.3	992.7	314.4	641.9	2,348.6	102,329.8
%Contribution														
Nov	3.7	86.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	1.0	3.4	0.2	0.3	1.0	0.4	0.5	2.9	100.0
Dec	5.7	85.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	1.1	1.5	0.1	0.3	1.2	0.4	1.4	3.0	100.0
2021	1.5	90.1	0.5	0.0	0.3	1.1	2.3	0.2	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.6	1.8	100.0
2022	3.9	87.2	0.3	0.0	0.2	1.2	2.5	0.1	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.6	2.3	100.0

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

FlowType	IMPORTS						TOTAL EXPORTS					
Period \ HS	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan_2020	191.6	0.0	0.0	185.2	374.7	751.4	0.0	0.9	0.0	4,767.9	470.9	5,239.7
Feb	251.4	0.0	0.0	458.4	435.0	1,144.8	1.8	9.8	0.0	2,100.7	802.3	2,914.7
Mar	310.9	0.4	0.0	1,098.4	262.7	1,672.4	0.0	8.1	0.0	3,088.9	681.3	3,778.3
Q1	753.8	0.4	0.0	1,742.0	1,072.3	3,568.6	1.8	18.8	0.0	9,957.6	1,954.5	11,932.6
Apr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
May	0.0	0.0	0.0	900.2	73.9	974.1	0.0	0.8	0.0	2,453.7	477.0	2,931.6
Jun	267.1	1.2	0.0	2,731.8	426.6	3,426.7	0.0	0.7	0.0	264.9	377.7	643.3
Q2	267.1	1.2	0.0	3,632.1	500.4	4,400.8	0.0	1.6	0.0	2,718.6	854.7	3,574.9
Jul	236.0	0.0	0.0	388.1	318.3	942.4	0.0	3.0	0.0	1,336.6	648.8	1,988.4
Aug	53.1	0.0	0.0	1,562.4	118.9	1,734.4	0.0	1.9	0.0	2,160.5	442.1	2,604.5
Sep	0.0	12.0	0.0	3,655.1	181.4	3,848.5	0.0	5.6	0.0	6,417.1	874.9	7,297.6
Q3	289.1	12.0	0.0	5,605.6	618.7	6,525.3	0.0	10.4	0.0	9,914.2	1,965.8	11,890.4
Oct	658.4	5.3	0.0	2,717.4	164.0	3,545.1	0.1	13.7	0.0	4,940.0	463.6	5,417.3
Nov	0.0	0.1	0.0	1,948.2	306.7	2,255.0	0.0	9.4	0.0	4,325.4	667.5	5,002.3
Dec	319.7	5.4	0.0	2,361.9	88.8	2,775.8	0.0	8.3	0.0	5,010.7	468.0	5,486.9
Q4	978.1	10.8	0.0	7,027.5	559.5	8,575.9	0.1	31.3	0.0	14,276.1	1,599.1	15,906.5
Total_2020	2,288.2	24.5	0.0	18,007.1	2,750.9	23,070.6	1.8	62.2	0.0	36,866.4	6,374.1	43,304.5
Jan_2021	82.4	6.0	0.0	2,941.5	318.1	3,348.0	0.0	23.2	0.0	7,942.0	240.3	8,205.5
Feb	324.7	5.1	0.0	1,366.1	390.5	2,086.4	0.0	7.1	0.0	5,304.1	680.6	5,991.9
Mar	0.0	5.3	0.0	3,006.8	679.5	3,691.6	0.0	20.0	0.0	7,897.3	538.3	8,455.6
Q1	407.2	16.4	0.0	7,314.4	1,388.1	9,126.1	0.0	50.3	0.0	21,143.4	1,459.3	22,653.0
Apr	0.0	5.5	0.0	1,443.9	476.1	1,925.5	0.0	2.0	0.0	3,630.9	838.6	4,471.4
May	298.0	3.9	0.0	2,147.0	434.9	2,883.7	0.0	6.5	0.0	3,530.5	743.0	4,280.0
Jun	263.7	0.0	0.0	1,914.8	667.8	2,846.3	0.0	12.1	0.0	5,951.3	746.6	6,710.0
Q2	561.7	9.4	0.0	5,505.7	1,578.8	7,655.5	0.0	20.6	0.0	13,112.7	2,328.2	15,461.5
Jul	268.0	5.1	0.0	1,545.2	362.8	2,181.2	0.0	12.7	0.0	6,423.2	774.1	7,210.0
Aug	246.7	7.0	0.0	3,069.3	240.0	3,563.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	5,072.8	1,252.0	6,326.1
Sep	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,373.8	242.4	1,616.2	0.0	23.7	0.0	4,755.2	992.2	5,771.1
Q3	514.7	12.1	0.0	5,988.4	845.2	7,360.3	0.0	37.6	0.0	16,251.2	3,018.4	19,307.2
Oct	362.3	9.7	0.0	2,760.7	280.8	3,413.6	0.0	26.6	0.0	3,575.8	741.2	4,343.6
Nov	0.0	15.1	0.1	2,805.5	193.6	3,014.2	0.0	70.7	0.0	4,926.0	802.4	5,799.1
Dec	252.2	13.7	0.0	1,235.2	589.6	2,090.8	0.0	43.6	0.0	5,482.0	1,039.5	6,565.1
Q4	614.6	38.4	0.1	6,801.5	1,064.0	8,518.6	0.0	140.9	0.0	13,983.8	2,583.0	16,707.8
Total_2021	2,098.1	76.4	0.1	25,609.9	4,876.0	32,660.5	0.0	249.4	0.0	64,491.2	9,388.9	74,129.5
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	0.0	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	155.0	411.8	890.5	0.0	62.0	0.0	7,572.9	2,010.9	9,645.7
Sep	415.3	0.8	0.0	5,088.8	258.6	5,763.4	0.0	37.8	0.0	5,827.4	1,886.7	7,751.9
Q3	1,110.2	1.2	0.0	5,483.4	1,607.3	8,202.1	0.0	144.1	0.0	20,782.5	5,290.4	26,217.1
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	5,648.3	1,619.1	7,325.2
Dec	534.2	4.8	0.0	1,092.2	704.5	2,335.8	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	1,364.5	4,286.3	8.3	92.1	0.0	12,697.4	4,194.5	16,992.2
Total_2022	2,902.0	354.8	0.0	17,347.8	6,662.7	27,267.3	8.3	416.8	0.0	70,779.1	18,023.9	89,228.0

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 – December 2022 (Million Pula)

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Contribution
South Africa	617.3	1,007.6	927.2	1,249.2	41.3	455.5	231.1	39.9	133.3	289.7	142.3	189.9	5,324.4	67.8
Namibia	0.1	35.4	3.8	347.9	0.1	1.6	0.4	10.5	0.0	2.9	0.1	0.8	403.5	5.1
Eswatini	10.2	0.0	10.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	21.6	0.3
Lesotho	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	2.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	3.4	0.0
SACU	627.6	1,043.0	941.6	1,597.1	41.4	457.4	231.6	50.4	136.0	292.8	143.2	190.8	5,752.9	73.2
Other SADC	12.2	0.2	32.6	52.7	0.1	4.2	38.3	0.0	0.2	0.2	2.2	5.5	148.4	1.9
SADC	639.8	1,043.2	974.2	1,649.8	41.5	461.6	269.9	50.4	136.2	293.0	145.4	196.3	5,901.3	75.1
Other Africa	5.1	0.0	0.2	8.8	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.7	15.2	0.2
Africa	644.9	1,043.2	974.3	1,658.6	41.5	461.8	269.9	50.4	136.3	293.0	145.6	197.0	5,916.5	75.3
India	12.4	400.1	0.9	0.0	0.1	31.5	5.1	0.0	3.3	0.8	0.5	4.3	459.1	5.8
China	22.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	6.5	81.9	26.7	0.0	19.0	7.2	3.7	32.8	200.5	2.6
Other Asia	9.7	23.4	11.8	0.0	0.8	36.8	1.9	0.0	1.3	39.3	4.0	2.9	131.7	1.7
Asia	44.7	423.5	12.7	0.0	7.5	150.2	33.7	0.0	23.6	47.2	8.2	40.0	791.2	10.1
Belgium	15.3	316.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	2.3	337.7	4.3
Other EU	30.8	0.0	5.2	0.0	3.4	39.6	2.8	0.0	4.9	1.8	1.5	10.5	100.5	1.3
EU	46.1	316.8	5.2	0.0	3.4	41.0	2.8	0.0	4.9	3.8	1.5	12.8	438.2	5.6
Canada	2.7	551.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	554.9	7.1
USA	12.7	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.2	31.1	0.3	0.0	0.3	3.6	0.1	36.6	85.6	1.1
Rest of World	5.3	1.2	10.4	0.2	2.0	34.7	3.0	0.0	1.4	6.2	0.6	4.0	69.2	0.9
Total World	756.4	2,335.8	1,003.2	1,658.8	54.7	719.3	309.7	50.5	166.5	353.9	156.0	290.9	7,855.6	100.0

Table 3.1B: Total Imports by Country, Region and Principal Import Commodity Groups – December 2022 (Million Pula)

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	11.6	18.9	17.4	23.5	0.8	8.6	4.3	0.7	2.5	5.4	2.7	3.6	100.0
Namibia	0.0	8.8	0.9	86.2	0.0	0.4	0.1	2.6	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.2	100.0
Eswatini	46.9	0.0	49.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	3.9	0.0	100.0
Lesotho	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.1	3.4	0.0	78.8	6.4	0.0	0.2	100.0
SACU	10.9	18.1	16.4	27.8	0.7	8.0	4.0	0.9	2.4	5.1	2.5	3.3	100.0
Other SADC	8.2	0.1	22.0	35.5	0.1	2.8	25.8	0.0	0.1	0.1	1.5	3.7	100.0
SADC	10.8	17.7	16.5	28.0	0.7	7.8	4.6	0.9	2.3	5.0	2.5	3.3	100.0
Other Africa	33.7	0.0	1.1	57.7	0.1	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.1	1.1	4.4	100.0
Africa	10.9	17.6	16.5	28.0	0.7	7.8	4.6	0.9	2.3	5.0	2.5	3.3	100.0
India	2.7	87.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	6.9	1.1	0.0	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.9	100.0
China	11.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	40.9	13.3	0.0	9.5	3.6	1.9	16.4	100.0
Other Asia	7.3	17.7	8.9	0.0	0.6	27.9	1.4	0.0	1.0	29.8	3.0	2.2	100.0
Asia	5.7	53.5	1.6	0.0	0.9	19.0	4.3	0.0	3.0	6.0	1.0	5.1	100.0
Belgium	4.5	93.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.7	100.0
Other EU	30.6	0.0	5.1	0.0	3.4	39.4	2.8	0.0	4.9	1.8	1.4	10.5	100.0
EU	10.5	72.3	1.2	0.0	0.8	9.4	0.6	0.0	1.1	0.9	0.3	2.9	100.0
Canada	0.5	99.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
USA	14.8	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.3	36.4	0.4	0.0	0.3	4.3	0.1	42.7	100.0
Rest of World	7.7	1.8	15.0	0.3	2.9	50.2	4.3	0.1	2.1	8.9	0.9	5.9	100.0
Total World	9.6	29.7	12.8	21.1	0.7	9.2	3.9	0.6	2.1	4.5	2.0	3.7	100.0

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

Period \ HS	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Contribution
South Africa	0.7	23.9	18.3	0.1	8.7	80.3	63.7	5.6	12.5	76.6	18.0	7.0	75.2	390.4	5.0
Namibia	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	8.5	0.0	0.4	0.0	1.4	8.3	45.7	64.7	0.8
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.7	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	0.1	0.1	0.0
SACU	0.7	23.9	18.3	0.1	8.9	80.3	73.8	5.6	13.0	76.6	19.5	15.3	121.0	456.9	5.8
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	20.1	0.0	3.4	9.9	13.0	13.1	83.1	142.8	1.8
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	2.4	14.7	2.1	5.3	8.4	0.5	4.1	22.4	60.3	0.8
SADC	0.7	23.9	18.3	0.1	9.6	82.7	108.6	7.7	21.7	94.9	33.0	32.5	226.5	660.1	8.4
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	2.8	0.0
Africa	0.7	23.9	18.3	0.6	9.6	82.7	108.6	7.7	21.7	94.9	33.0	32.5	228.7	662.9	8.5
UAE	0.0	2,851.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,851.1	36.4
India	0.0	996.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	998.1	12.7
Hong Kong	0.0	556.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	556.7	7.1
Israel	0.0	485.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	485.2	6.2
China	414.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	414.9	5.3
Cambodia	0.0	93.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	93.5	1.2
Other Asia	0.0	55.3	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	58.3	0.7
Asia	414.6	5,038.2	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	5,457.8	69.6
Belgium	0.0	1,312.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1,312.3	16.7
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.9	0.0
EU	0.0	1,312.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	1,314.2	16.8
USA	0.0	244.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	75.2	0.1	324.0	4.1
Rest of World	29.8	50.8	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	84.4	1.1
Total World	445.1	6,669.5	18.3	3.1	9.9	82.7	114.9	7.7	21.9	94.9	33.0	107.8	234.6	7,843.4	100.0

Table 3.2B: Principal Export Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Exports at Country and Regional Level – December 2022

Period \ HS	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	0.2	6.1	4.7	0.0	2.2	20.6	16.3	1.4	3.2	19.6	4.6	1.8	19.2	100.0
Namibia	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	13.2	0.0	0.7	0.0	2.2	12.9	70.7	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	91.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.6	0.0	3.3	100.0
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
SACU	0.2	5.2	4.0	0.0	2.0	17.6	16.1	1.2	2.8	16.8	4.3	3.3	26.5	100.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	14.1	0.0	2.4	6.9	9.1	9.1	58.2	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	4.0	24.4	3.5	8.8	14.0	0.8	6.8	37.1	100.0
SADC	0.1	3.6	2.8	0.0	1.5	12.5	16.5	1.2	3.3	14.4	5.0	4.9	34.3	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.6	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	77.8	100.0
Africa	0.1	3.6	2.8	0.1	1.5	12.5	16.4	1.2	3.3	14.3	5.0	4.9	34.5	100.0
UAE	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
India	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Hong Kong	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Israel	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
China	99.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Cambodia	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	0.0	94.8	0.0	4.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	100.0
Asia	7.6	92.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	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	0.0	100.0
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	71.1	0.0	11.9	0.0	0.1	2.2	14.7	100.0
EU	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
USA	0.0	75.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.2	0.0	100.0
Rest of World	35.3	60.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	4.0	100.0
Total World	5.7	85.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	1.1	1.5	0.1	0.3	1.2	0.4	1.4	3.0	100.0

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

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	Value (BWP)	Contribution(%)
1	71023100	Non- industrial diamonds unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruited	1,092.2	13.9
2	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1 (g)	936.5	11.9
3	71023900	Non-industrial diamonds, not mounted or set	704.5	9.0
4	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1 (b)	545.9	6.9
5	71021000	Unsorted diamonds	534.2	6.8
6	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02), including station wagons and racing cars:	85.7	1.1
7	27160000	Electrical energy	74.3	0.9
8	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))	57.3	0.7
9	84295190	Other front-end shovel loaders	49.7	0.6
10	25232900	Other Portland cement	44.7	0.6
11	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	44.6	0.6
12	87089990	Other Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05:	43.9	0.6
13	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	39.2	0.5
14	74081100	Of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	35.2	0.4
15	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the process of cooking food	35.0	0.4
16	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	34.4	0.4
17	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	30.3	0.4
18	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"	29.0	0.4
19	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	28.4	0.4
20	31029000	Other, including mixtures not specified in the foregoing subheadings	28.3	0.4
21	84314990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 8 4.25 to 84.30:	27.7	0.4
22	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	27.4	0.3
23	31023000	Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	27.1	0.3
24	44071100	Coniferous Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or finger-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm, Of pine (Pinus spp.)	25.6	0.3
25	84071000	Aircraft engines	25.6	0.3
26	33049990	Other Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin (other than medicaments), including sunscreen or sun tan preparations	25.1	0.3
27	19011000	Preparations suitable for infants or young children, put up for retail sale	24.8	0.3
28	27101252	Other prepared lubricating oils	24.8	0.3
29	84749000	Parts	24.7	0.3
30	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	24.6	0.3
31	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	24.4	0.3
32	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	24.2	0.3
33	84314300	Parts for boring or sinking machinery of subheading 8430.41 or 8430.49	24.1	0.3
34	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)	23.4	0.3
35	93063090	Other cartridges and parts thereof	22.9	0.3
36	85171310	Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	22.4	0.3
37	90189000	Other instruments and appliances	22.3	0.3
38	31052000	Mineral or chemical fertilisers containing the three fertilising elements nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium	21.8	0.3
39	39269090	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	20.9	0.3
40	38221900	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 of 5 per cent or less	20.1	0.3
41	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content exceeding 5 per cent	19.3	0.2
42	90283000	Electricity meters	19.3	0.2
43	68129100	Clothing, clothing accessories, footwear and headgear	19.2	0.2
44	34012000	Soap in other forms	19.0	0.2
45	87033390	Other of a cylinder capacity exceeding 2 500 cc:	18.4	0.2
46	10064000	Broken rice	18.3	0.2
47	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 of 5 per cent or less	17.7	0.2
48	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	17.6	0.2
49	21032000	Tomato ketchup and other tomato sauces	17.1	0.2
50	10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	16.7	0.2

Table 4.1 A.: Top 100 Imported Goods – December 2022 (Million Pula); Continued

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	Value (BWP)	Contribution(%)
51	31059000	Other Mineral or chemical fertilisers containing two of the fertilising elements nitrogen and potassium; other fertilisers	16.7	0.2
52	64059090	Other footwear	16.7	0.2
53	09109900	Other spices	16.3	0.2
54	85176290	Other machines for the reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, including switching and routing apparatus:	16.2	0.2
55	38249999	Other mixtures	16.1	0.2
56	20098950	Other fruit juices	15.9	0.2
57	87042390	Other 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:	15.6	0.2
58	17011400	Other cane sugar	15.5	0.2
59	10051000	Maize (Corn) Seed	15.1	0.2
60	87042290	Other new motor vehicles for the transport of goods ,G.V.M. exceeding 5 tonnes but not exceeding 20 tonnes	14.9	0.2
61	22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, In sealed containers holding 2,5 li or less (excluding those in collapsible plastic tubes)	14.8	0.2
62	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	14.8	0.2
63	27111390	Other Butanes, Liquefied	14.4	0.2
64	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	14.2	0.2
65	04032000	Yoghurt	13.6	0.2
66	76129040	CANS OF A CAPACITY NOT EXCEEDING 500 ML	13.5	0.2
67	84603100	Numerically controlled	12.8	0.2
68	22029920	Non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09), In sealed containers holding 2,5 li or less (excluding those in collapsible plastic tubes and those with a basis of milk)	12.7	0.2
69	30024200	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	12.3	0.2
70	87032290	Other motor cars of a cylinder capacity exceeding 1 000 cc but not exceeding 1 500 cc	12.0	0.2
71	38089399	Other Herbicides, anti-sprouting products and plant-growth regulators	12.0	0.2
72	87012120	Of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	11.5	0.1
73	40118010	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber, of a kind used on construction, mining or industrial handling vehicles and machines, Having a rim size of less than 91 cm	11.4	0.1
74	27101201	Aviation spirit, as defined in Additional Note 1(a)	11.3	0.1
75	39019090	Other Polymers of ethylene	11.3	0.1
76	17049000	Other Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	11.3	0.1
77	19053100	Sweet biscuits	11.2	0.1
78	48181000	Toilet paper	11.2	0.1
79	16041317	Sardines (pilchards) (SARDINOPS SPP.), in airtight metal containers for human consumption	11.1	0.1
80	20099010	Mixtures of Fruit juices	11.1	0.1
81	23099092	Other Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	10.8	0.1
82	62171090	Other clothing accessories	10.8	0.1
83	85444990	Other Insulated electric conductors nes, not of copper, for a voltage not exceeding 1,000 V, not fitted with connectors	10.7	0.1
84	04011090	Other (milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1 per cent)	10.6	0.1
85	21039095	Other mayonnaise	10.3	0.1
86	69074000	Finishing ceramics	10.2	0.1
87	19021900	Other Uncooked pasta	10.2	0.1
88	84741000	Sorting, screening, separating or washing machines	10.2	0.1
89	19023000	Other pasta	10.1	0.1
90	27101207	Aviation kerosene, as defined in Additional Note 1(d)	10.0	0.1
91	48191000	Cartons, boxes and cases, of corrugated paper or paperboard	10.0	0.1
92	21039090	Other sauces and preparations therefor; mixed condiments and mixed seasonings; mustard flour and meal and prepared mustard	9.9	0.1
93	85287290	Other colour reception apparatus for television, whether or not incorporating radio- broadcast receivers or sound or video recording or reproducing apparatus	9.9	0.1
94	94069010	Prefabricated buildings, of iron and steel	9.9	0.1
95	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	9.9	0.1
96	72022900	Other ferro-alloys	9.8	0.1
97	33072090	Other Personal deodorants and antiperspirants	9.7	0.1
98	87032490	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (other than those of heading 8702), including station wagons and racing cars.	9.7	0.1
99	94035000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom	9.7	0.1
100	84701000	Electronic calculators capable of operation without an external source of electric power and pocket-size data recording, reproducing and displaying machines with calculating functions	9.6	0.1
Top 100 Imported			5,749.8	73.2
Other Imported			2,105.8	26.8
Total			7,855.6	100.0

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

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	Value (BWP)	Contribution(%)
1	71023100	Non- industrial diamonds unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruited	5,405.1	68.9
2	71023900	Non-industrial diamonds, not mounted or set	1,221.9	15.6
3	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	445.1	5.7
4	88023000	Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen mass exceeding 2 000 kg but not exceeding 15 000 kg	75.2	1.0
5	28362000	Disodium carbonate	68.8	0.9
6	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	57.6	0.7
7	30024200	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	50.3	0.6
8	27011900	Other coal	44.9	0.6
9	71022100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	36.7	0.5
10	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	35.0	0.4
11	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	25.7	0.3
12	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1(g)	25.2	0.3
13	01022900	Other (cattle)	25.1	0.3
14	71081200	Other unwrought forms	18.3	0.2
15	27011200	Bituminous coal	15.1	0.2
16	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton	13.0	0.2
17	03057110	Dried, whether or not salted but not smoked	10.4	0.1
18	64059090	Other footwear	8.0	0.1
19	85446020	Plastic insulated	7.5	0.1
20	48202000	Exercise books	7.3	0.1
21	62171090	Other clothing accessories	7.2	0.1
22	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02), including station wagons and racing cars:	6.8	0.1
23	85071099	Other lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines	6.6	0.1
24	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	6.3	0.1
25	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	6.3	0.1
26	85444290	Other electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1 000V	6.2	0.1
27	87089990	Other parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05:	6.0	0.1
28	71021000	Unsorted diamonds	5.9	0.1
29	85284910	Colour, with a screen size not exceeding 3 m x 4 m	5.6	0.1
30	23021000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of maize (corn)	5.5	0.1
31	84869000	Parts and accessories	5.5	0.1
32	84295900	Other machinery with a 360° revolving super structure	5.1	0.1
33	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	4.9	0.1
34	11042310	Chopped dried kernels, of maize(corn) not further prepared or processed	4.8	0.1
35	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	4.7	0.1
36	84112100	Turbo-propellers: Of a power not exceeding 1 100 kW	4.3	0.1
37	58081000	Braids in the piece	3.9	0.0
38	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	3.8	0.0
39	39269090	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	3.7	0.0
40	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	3.4	0.0
41	87044110	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	3.4	0.0
42	84423000	Machinery, apparatus and equipment	3.4	0.0
43	71129990	Other waste and scrap of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal; other waste and scrap containing precious metal or precious metal compounds, of a kind used principally for the recovery of precious metal other than goods of heading 85.49:	3.1	0.0
44	23023000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of wheat	3.0	0.0
45	87042190	Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods with only compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel)	2.8	0.0
46	84294090	Other tamping machines and road rollers	2.8	0.0
47	42034000	Other clothing accessories	2.7	0.0
48	07081000	Peas (PISUM SATIVUM), shelled or unshelled, fresh or chilled	2.7	0.0
49	72149900	Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel, not further worked than forged, hot-rolled, hot-drawn or hot-extruded, but including those twisted after rolling:	2.6	0.0
50	85182100	Single loudspeakers, mounted in their enclosures	2.6	0.0
Top 50 Exported			7,731.8	98.6
Other Exported			111.5	1.4
Total			7,843.4	100.0

7.0 Concepts, Sources and Methods

IMTS are compiled by the International Merchandise Trade Statistics Section of Statistics Botswana, and uses the General Trade system. International Merchandise Trade refers to external trade in goods only. International Service Trade Statistics (ISTS) are however not compiled by this section. The primary source of international merchandise trade data is the Customs & Excise Division at the Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS). The Customs & Excise Division is responsible for data capture for both computerised and manual borders, and the monthly raw data files are transferred to Statistics Botswana for data processing.

Imports are valued CIF (cost, insurance & freight), while exports are valued FOB (free on board). The value of imports includes transport and insurance costs to the importing country. The Exports value consists only of the value of goods as they leave the exporting country.

7.1 Time of Recording of Trade

IMTS is compiled using date of recording of trade as opposed to date of assessment of goods by customs. This means that as goods cross the border, trade is recorded and this is the reference month for compilation of IMTS. Some of these goods may however be held by customs for some time pending final assessment for tax or duty purposes.

If the final assessment is done later, for example two or three months, or even more, after the goods had crossed the border, the affected trade will then update trade for the particular month when the goods crossed the border, therefore it does not form part of trade for the month during which the final assessment was done. This is mostly common with imports. Revision of data for the month preceding the one under review will normally show high values as compared to revisions for other months due to more goods (from the previous month) being released after final assessment.

7.2 Concepts and Definitions

- i. **Domestic Exports:** These are goods originating from the compiling country, being permanently exported out of the country for consumption in the outside world. This includes products from customs inwards processing; for example, if a country imports wheat, processes the wheat into bread flour and exports the bread flour and bye products from the milling process, these will all leave the country as domestic exports.
- ii. **Re - Exports:** These are exports of foreign goods that were initially recorded as imports into the compiling country. These goods are exported in the same state that they came in except for wear and tear. An example will be re-exportation of a motor vehicle that was initially imported into the compiling country and after being used it is now being exported to a foreign country.
- iii. **Total exports:** This is the sum of domestic exports and re-exports
- iv. **Imports:** These are goods imported from the outside world, into the compiling country, for local consumption. This includes re-importation of locally produced goods that were initially exported and are now being imported back into the country.
- v. **Trade Balance (Net Export):** This refers to the total value of goods exported minus the total value of goods imported by a given economy in a given period of time. A positive trade balance (trade surplus) indicates that a country is exporting more in value terms than it is importing. A negative trade balance (trade deficit) indicates that the country is importing more than it is exporting.

7.3 Exclusions from IMTS

- i. **Goods in Transit** - This is trade that is simply passing through the compiling country solely for the purpose of being transported to another country.
- ii. **Goods temporarily admitted or dispatched** - These are goods that, at the time of admission/dispatch, are intended to stay in the receiving country temporarily and that after their stay they will be returned in the same state. These goods include display equipment for trade fairs and exhibitions, commercial samples, means of transport, containers, equipment for working, etc.
- iii. **Monetary Gold**- This is gold to which the monetary authorities have title and is held as reserve assets.
- iv. **Issued banknotes and securities and coins in circulation**-These goods represent evidence of financial claims and are excluded from IMTS

The above list of exclusions from IMTS is, however, not exhaustive and only a few that are common, simple, straightforward and easy to understand have been picked as examples.



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