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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 November 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. The Direction of Trade appears in **Table 3.1A** (imports) and **Table 3.2A** (total exports). Major trading partner countries by commodity groups, as a percentage of trade at region or country level, for November 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 November 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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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 November 2021.

Total imports were valued at P8, 302.8 million during the month of November 2021, reflecting a decrease of 7.7 percent from the revised October 2021 value of P8, 991.0 million. Total exports during the same month amounted to P5, 915.0 million, displaying an increase of 18.0 percent from the revised October 2021 value of P5, 013.8 million.

The leading import commodity groups during the reporting period were Diamonds; Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with contributions of 35.3 percent, 13.3 percent, 12.4 percent and 10.6 percent, respectively. Diamonds, Copper, Vehicles & Transport Equipment and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the top most exported commodity groups with contributions of 85.4 percent, 2.8 percent, 2.7 percent and 2.6 percent to total exports, respectively during November 2021.

During the month under review, imports from **SACU** made a contribution of 67.6 percent, whilst those from the **EU** and Asia accounted for 19.2 and 9.1 percent of total imports respectively. Imports from South Africa accounted for 59.3 percent of total imports. Belgium provided imports representing 18.1 percent.

Exports destined to Asia, the **EU** and **SACU** accounted for 55.6 percent, 22.1 percent and 14.9 percent of the monthly total, respectively during the month under review. Belgium, the **UAE**, and India received exports representing 22.1 percent, 20.2 percent and 13.2 percent of the monthly total, respectively.

Air transport accounted for 87.2 percent of total exports during the reference period, while exports by Road transport represented 12.4 percent. Imports by Road accounted for 56.5 percent whereas those entering the country by Rail and Air represented 22.6 percent and 20.9 percent, respectively.

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance. Discussions are based on November 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.

In November 2021, transactions for September 2021 and October 2021 had late customs duty assessments. **Table A** shows revised data for the affected months, comparing figures as at the October 2021 Digest and the current situation.

Imports for October 2021 were revised up by 2.2 percent (P189.5 million) while Total Exports rose by 1.1 percent (P53.1 million) as displayed in Table A. Revisions for September were minor as can be observed in the same table.

Period	As at O	ctober 202	1 Digest	As at Nov	ember 202	21 Digest		Difference	•	Difference as %			
Indicators	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance										
September	6,745.4	6,365.1	(380.4)	6,747.6	6,389.6	(358.0)	2.2	24.6	22.4	0.0	0.4	(5.9)	
October	8,801.5	4,960.7	(3,840.8)	8,991.0	5,013.8	(3,977.3)	189.5	53.1	(136.4)	2.2	1.1	3.6	

Table A: Data Revision: September and October 2021 (Million Pula)

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 November 2021, imports were valued at P8, 302.8 million, representing a decline of 7.7 percent (P688.2 million) over the October 2021 revised figure of P8, 991.0 million. The decrease was mainly attributed to the 14.0 percent (P478.7 million) decline in the importation of Diamonds from the revised October 2021 figure of P3, 407.4 million to P2, 928.7 during the current period.

1.3 Total Exports

November 2021 total exports value went up by 18.0 percent (P901.3 million), from the revised October 2021 figure of P5, 013.8 million to P5, 915.0 million. The increase is attributed largely to the rise in the exportation of Diamonds by 16.3 percent (P707.4 million) from the revised October 2021value of P4, 343.6 million to P5, 051.0 million.

1.4 Trade Balance

In November 2021, Botswana recorded a trade deficit of P2, 387.8 million. **Chart 1.0** displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2019 to November 2021.

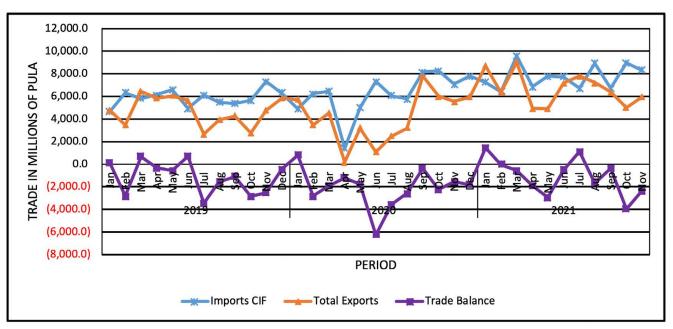


Chart 1.0: Total International Merchandise Trade – January 2019 to November 2021 (Million Pula)

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 P8, 302.8 million in November 2021. Diamonds contributed 35.3 percent (P2, 928.7 million) to total imports. Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Machinery & Electrical Equipment followed with contributions of 13.3 percent (P1, 107.4 million), 12.4 percent (P1, 032.9 million) and 10.6 percent (P882.1 million) respectively. Contributions made by other commodity groups are illustrated in **Table 2.1** and **Chart 2.1**.

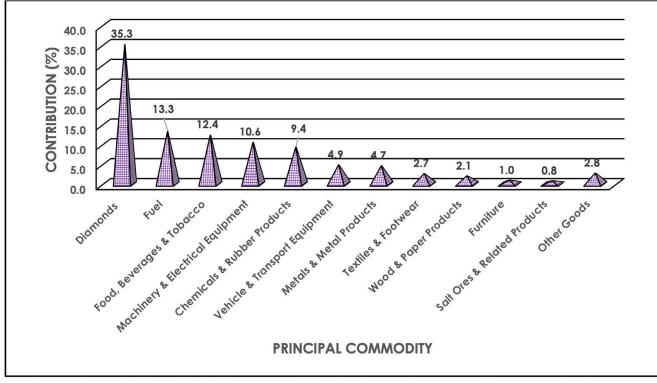
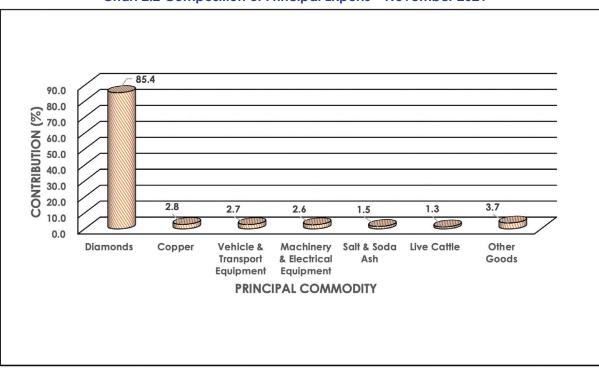


Chart 2.1: Composition of Principal Imports- November 2021

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

2.2 Principal Exports

Botswana exported merchandise valued at P5, 915.0 million in November 2021. The Diamonds group accounted for 85.4 percent (P5, 051.0 million), followed by Copper, Vehicles & Transport Equipment and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with 2.8 percent (P166.4 million), 2.7 percent (P160.7 million) and 2.6 percent (P153.2 million) respectively. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in **Table 2.2** and **Chart 2.2**.





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

3.0 Direction Of Trade

The Direction of Trade analyses the value of merchandise trade between the compiling country and 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 November 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

In November 2021, Botswana imported goods worth P8, 302.8 million. The **SACU**, region contributed 67.6 percent (P5, 609.2 million) to total imports during the reference period. The top most imported commodity groups from the customs union were Diamonds, Fuel and Food, Beverages & Tobacco, with contributions of 19.1 percent (P1,070.2 million), 18.5 percent (P1,040.0 million) and 17.1 percent (P960.6 million) to imports from the region, respectively (refer to **Table 3.1A** and **Table 3.1B**).

South Africa supplied imports worth P4, 927.3 million (59.3 percent) to total imports during November 2021. Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel made contributions of 19.2 percent (P945.6 million), and 19.0 percent (P936.6 million). Chemicals & Rubber Products, Machinery & Electrical Equipment, and Diamonds followed with contributions of 12.7 percent (P625.7 million), 12.3 percent (P606.7 million) and 11.1 percent (P545.9 million) respectively to imports from South Africa.

Imports from the **EU** were valued at P1, 591.3 million accounting for 19.2 percent of total imports during the reference period. The major commodity group imported from the **EU** was Diamonds, at 94.0 percent (P1, 496.4 million) of all imports from the union. Belgium was the major source of imports from the EU, with a contribution of 18.1 percent (P1, 499.9 million) of total imports during the month under review, refer to **Table 3.1 A**.

In November 2021, Imports from Asia were valued at P754.3 million, accounting for 9.1 percent of total imports. The major commodity groups imported from the regional block were Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with contributions of 46.9 percent (P353.5 million) and 20.7 percent (P156.1 million) of total imports (tables **3.1A & 3.1B**) from Asia. India and **UAE** supplied 2.5 percent (P205.1 million) and 2.4 percent (P195.5 million) of total imports during the period, respectively (**Table 3.1 A**).

Graphical presentation of sources of imports during November 2021 can be viewed on Chart 3.1.

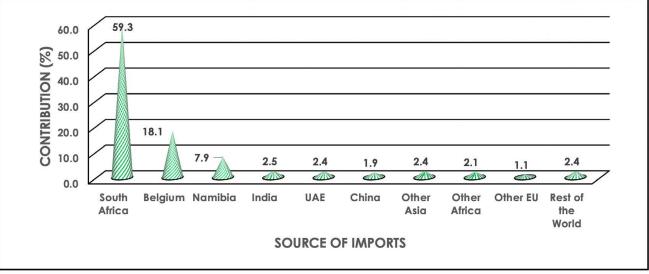


Chart 3.1: Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – November 2021

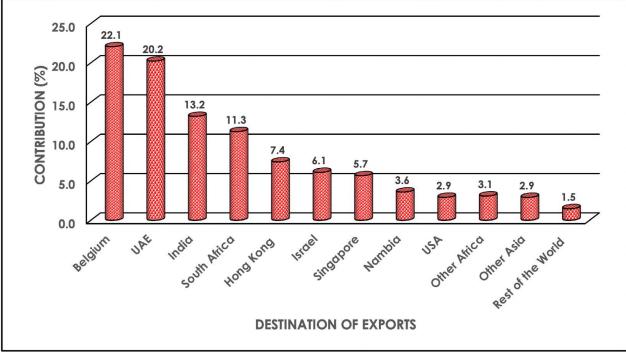
'Rest of the World' includes all other Countries or Regions not specified as in Table 3.1

3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Asia was the main destination for Botswana exports, having received 55.6 percent (P3, 285.9 million) of total exports in November 2021. These exports were mainly destined to the **UAE** and India, having received 20.2 percent (P1, 197.1 million) and 13.2 percent (P781.5 million) of total exports, respectively. Diamonds and Copper were the major commodities exported to the regional block during the current period as shown by **Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**.

Exports destined to the **EU** amounted to P1, 307.1 million, accounting for 22.1 percent of total exports during the month under review. Belgium received most of the exports destined to the regional union, acquiring 22.1 percent (P1, 305.1 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 P879.6 million, representing 14.9 percent of total exports. Diamonds Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Live Cattle accounted for 47.5 percent (P418.1 million), 15.2 percent (P133.7 million) and 8.4 percent (P74.0 million) of total exports to the customs union (**Table 3.2A** and **Table 3.2B**). South Africa and Namibia received 11.3 percent (P666.9 million) and 3.6 percent (P212.4 million) of total exports respectively during the month under review (**Table 3.2A**).





'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 the 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.

Goods exported by Air during the month under review were valued at P5, 159.8 million, accounting for 87.2 percent of total exports, while those leaving the country by Road were valued at P730.7 million (12.4 percent).

In November 2021, imports representing 56.5 percent (P4, 687.7 million) were transported into the country by Road. Transportation of imports by Rail and Air accounted for 22.6 percent (P1, 878.6 million) and 20.9 percent (P1, 735.6 million) respectively.

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

Mode of Transport	Imports	%	Total Exports	%
Road Transport	4,687.7	56.5	730.7	12.4
Air Transport	1,735.6	20.9	5,159.8	87.2
Rail Transport	1,878.6	22.6	24.2	0.4
Other Modes	0.9	0.0	0.3	0.0
Total Goods	8,302.8	100.0	5,915.0	100.0

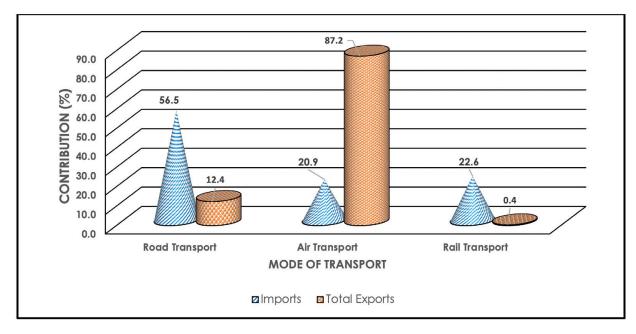


Chart B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – November 2021

6.0 ANNEXURE

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

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Period \ Indicators	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan_2019	4,662.1	4,437.4	223.4	1.3	4,773.7	0.0	4,773.7	111.6
Feb	6,282.5	6,076.9	204.4	1.2	3,461.4	4.1	3,465.4	(2,817.1)
Mar	5,795.2	5,579.3	215.0	0.9	6,467.3	0.1	6,467.4	672.1
ຊາ	16,739.9	16,093.6	642.8	3.5	14,702.4	4.1	14,706.5	(2,033.4)
Apr	6,148.3	5,936.9	209.3	2.0	5,827.2	5.2	5,832.3	(316.0)
Мау	6,590.6	6,361.5	228.0	1.0	6,035.8	5.6	6,041.4	(549.2)
Jun	4,945.6	4,702.2	242.5	0.9	5,658.0	10.5	5,668.5	722.9
Q2	17,684.4	17,000.6	679.9	4.0	17,520.9	21.3	17,542.2	(142.3)
Jul	6,140.2	5,893.0	245.7	1.5	2,683.6	0.4	2,684.1	(3,456.1)
Aug	5,444.3	5,200.6	241.7	1.9	3,922.3	0.2	3,922.5	(1,521.8)
Sep	5,384.0	5,153.1	229.9	1.0	4,265.7	1.7	4,267.3	(1,116.6)
Q3	16,968.5	16,246.7	717.3	4.4	10,871.6	2.3	10,873.9	(6,094.6)
Oct	5,636.9	5,404.1	231.8	1.1	2,778.6	0.0	2,778.7	(2,858.3)
Nov	7,311.6	7,040.9	269.6	1.1	4,770.4	0.5	4,770.9	(2,540.7)
Dec	6,273.2	6,026.8	245.0	1.5	5,841.3	0.4	5,841.8	(431.5)
Q4	19,221.8	18,471.7	746.4	3.7	13,390.4	0.9	13,391.3	(5,830.5)
Total_2019	70,614.6	67,812.6	2,786.4	15.6	56,485.2	28.7	56,513.9	(14,100.7)
Jan_2020	4,926.8	4,703.7	222.2	0.9	5,707.4	9.2	5,716.7	789.9
eb	6,270.6	5,999.1	270.0	1.4	3,465.9	0.6	3,466.5	(2,804.1)
Mar	6,441.8	6,177.0	263.5	1.4	4,517.7	0.2	4,518.0	(1,923.9)
Q1	17,639.2	16,879.8	755.7	3.7	13,691.1	10.1	13,701.1	(3,938.1)
Apr	1,383.1	1,295.0	87.7	0.4	173.0	0.1	173.0	(1,210.1)
May	4,992.4	4,754.6	237.2	0.6	3,198.2	0.1	3,198.3	(1,794.1)
Jun	7,332.4	7,080.0	251.4	1.0	1,071.6	0.2	1,071.8	(6,260.6)
Q2	13,707.9	13,129.7	576.2	2.0	4,442.8	0.3	4,443.1	(9,264.8)
Jul	6,038.9	5,747.0	290.6	1.3	2,471.5	0.2	2,471.7	(3,567.2)
Aug	5,786.2	5,564.3	220.5	1.4	3,196.2	1.1	3,197.3	(2,588.9)
Sep	8,171.2	7,932.1	238.0	1.1	7,798.8	0.4	7,799.2	(372.0)
Q3	19,996.3	19,243.4	749.2	3.7	13,466.6	1.7	13,468.3	(6,528.0)
Oct	8,257.7	7,994.0	262.7	1.0	6,007.6	0.7	6,008.4	(2,249.4)
Nov	7,098.6	6,823.9	272.6	2.1	5,549.9	0.0	5,549.9	(1,548.7)
Dec	7,781.4	7,483.0	296.6	1.8	5,940.7	0.6	5,941.3	(1,840.1)
Q4	23,137.8	22,300.9	831.9	4.9	17,498.2	1.4	17,499.6	(5,638.2)
lotal_2020	74,481.1	71,553.8	2,912.9	14.4	49,098.6	13.5	49,112.1	(25,369.0)
 Jan 2021	7,250.4	6,987.4	261.6	1.4	8,687.9	0.3	8,688.2	1,437.8
- Feb	6,401.6	6,130.2	269.7	1.6	6,366.1	0.0	6,366.2	(35.4)
Mar	9,579.8	9,227.7	350.7	1.4	9,039.0	0.0	9,039.0	(540.8)
ຊາ	23,231.7	22,345.3	881.9	4.5	24,093.0	0.4	24,093.4	861.7
Apr	6,856.1	6,563.6	291.2	1.3	4,932.8	0.0	4,932.8	(1,923.3)
лау Мау	7,814.7	7,522.8	290.5	1.4	4,886.4	0.0	4,886.4	(2,928.3)
Jun	7,719.2	7,447.5	270.2	1.6	7,195.1	0.9	7,196.1	(523.2)
Q2	22,390.1	21,534.0	851.8	4.3	17,014.3	0.9	17,015.3	(5,374.8)
	6,704.9	6,427.8	275.9	1.3	7,821.9	0.2	7,822.0	1,117.1
Aug	8,900.4	8,558.1	340.7	1.7	7,224.9	0.0	7,224.9	(1,675.5)
Sep	6,747.6	6,469.6	276.4	1.7	6,387.8	1.9	6,389.6	(1,873.3)
Q3	22,352.9	21,455.4	893.0	4.5	21,434.6	2.0	21,436.6	(916.3)
Oct	8,991.0	8,637.9	350.7	2.5	5,013.1	0.7	5,013.8	(3,977.3)
Nov	8,302.8	7,959.7	341.1	2.0	5,915.0	0.1	5,915.0	(2,387.8)

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_2019	441.7	800.3	691.0	593.1	47.3	615.4	240.5	50.9	95.8	763.7	103.6	218.7	4,662.1
Feb	501.6	2,535.5	633.9	536.6	56.8	634.1	268.4	47.4	137.5	647.7	119.7	163.4	6,282.5
Mar	482.6	2,019.9	699.3	586.8	66.9	725.8	306.4	52.4	161.1	378.9	129.6	185.5	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	394.4	1,790.3	352.9	567.7	16,739.9
Apr	424.9	2,315.3	604.6	603.2	62.0	717.9	360.2	51.4	126.4	609.7	120.5	152.1	6,148.3
Мау	504.8	2,355.8	678.4	655.8	61.2	693.7	316.7	65.8	117.2	788.6	139.6	212.9	6,590.6
Jun	491.6	789.7	653.9	907.0	58.1	773.1	437.4	56.9	99.4	386.1	129.5	163.1	4,945.6
Q2	1,421.3	5,460.7	1,936.9	2,166.0	181.3	2,184.7	1,114.3	174.1	343.0	1,784.4	389.7	528.1	17,684.4
Jul	531.1	1,671.6	700.2	947.1	71.5	739.7	301.4	66.0	134.5	508.7	127.5	340.9	6,140.2
Aug	551.3	1,010.4	806.0	938.9	71.3	779.1	276.4	65.1	139.5	437.6	157.3	211.5	5,444.3
Sep	558.2	1,265.0	774.8	696.6	63.9	821.0	252.3	59.5	163.0	390.2	147.5	192.0	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	437.0	1,336.5	432.3	744.3	16,968.5
Oct	569.5	1,420.8	813.3	695.0	74.4	727.0	261.7	59.7	171.2	460.4	150.5	233.5	5,636.9
Nov	651.5	2,266.7	886.9	646.9	68.1	909.7	294.8	58.0	160.6	1,010.7	144.7	213.1	7,311.6
Dec	635.7	1,599.3	1,061.3	1,057.2	67.8	638.5	233.7	57.1	122.6	437.8	145.0	217.2	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	454.5	1,908.9	440.2	663.8	19,221.8
Total_2019	6,344.4	20,050.1	9,003.4	8,864.1	769.2	8,775.1	3,549.9	690.3	1,628.9	6,820.1	1,615.0	2,504.0	70,614.6
Jan_2020	520.6	718.4	801.1	1,037.3	54.6	761.7	207.1	60.6	93.8	382.7	116.8	172.0	4,926.8
Feb	527.0	1,144.8	823.5	731.1	71.8	868.0	282.3	71.5	154.3	820.2	149.6	626.5	6,270.6
Mar	619.2	1,672.4	865.8	1,080.7	65.3	864.0	248.6	53.9	148.9	464.2	128.5	230.4	6,441.8
Q1	1,666.8	3,535.6	2,490.4	2,849.1	191.7	2,493.8	738.0	186.0	397.0	1,667.0	394.8	1,029.0	17,639.2
Apr	273.3	0.0	521.2	208.9	5.8	193.3	34.8	5.7	32.7	18.2	34.7	54.4	1,383.1
May	502.1	974.1	571.4	1,011.8	33.8	486.5	148.1	30.6	117.0	792.6	86.5	237.8	4,992.4
Jun	665.5	3,426.7	670.4	548.0	65.8	764.7	229.2	59.4	122.9	461.2	125.9	192.7	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	272.6	1,272.0	247.2	484.9	13,707.9
Jul	639.4	942.4	783.8	1,725.3	57.2	664.4	262.8	62.0	105.8	467.4	129.0	199.4	6,038.9
Aug	556.1	1,734.4	786.0	722.3	69.3	633.2	241.0	71.5	128.8	396.3	125.6	321.6	5,786.2
Sep	686.1	3,848.5	911.9	613.9	73.5	722.8	273.5	65.0	146.5	438.5	148.7	242.4	8,171.2
Q3	1,881.5 633.3	6,525.3 3,545.1	2,481.8 942.8	3,061.5 737.8	200.0	2,020.4 886.7	777.3 349.7	198.6 72.6	381.1	1,302.2 437.1	403.3 145.1	763.4	19,996.3 8,257.7
Oct Nov	667.5	2,255.0	943.2	652.7	89.0 80.1	828.8	389.9	65.5	150.0 173.5	618.1	143.1	268.5 260.9	7,098.6
Dec	672.9		897.5	599.6	70.6	625.5	333.7	62.7	121.0	1,153.7	151.2		7,781.4
Q4	1,973.6	2,775.8 8,575.9	2,783.6	1,990.1	239.6	2,341.0	1,073.4	200.9	444.5	2,208.9	459.7	317.2 846.6	23,137.8
Total_2020	6,962.9	23,037.6	9,518.7	9,669.4	736.8	8,299.5	3,000.8	681.2	1,495.2	6,450.1	1,504.9	3,123.9	74,481.1
Jan_2021	550.6	3,348.0	852.0	653.8	42.7	611.7	274.7	75.1	123.3	381.3	117.7	219.6	7,250.4
Feb	550.4	2,086.4	795.1	784.4	68.2	738.7	345.3	65.7	152.6	438.1	129.8	246.8	6,401.6
Mar	998.0	3,691.6	890.7	903.9	90.4	928.7	399.4	69.1	174.6	918.2	194.2	321.1	9,579.8
Q1	2,099.0	9,126.1	2,537.8	2,342.1	201.3	2,279.1	1,019.3	209.9	450.5	1,737.5	441.7	787.5	23,231.7
Apr	653.1	1,925.5	806.3	853.8	64.4	738.7	346.9	69.2	177.1	835.8	148.7	236.8	6,856.1
May	658.9	2,883.7	837.5	812.3	62.2	868.0	412.0	70.9	135.8	688.6	159.8	225.0	7,814.7
Jun	772.9	2,846.3	865.6	860.0	67.5	874.9	383.9	78.8	133.5	459.5	147.7	228.6	7,719.2
Q2	2,084.9	7,655.5	2,509.4	2,526.1	194.1	2,481.6	1,142.8	219.0	446.3	1,983.9	456.2	690.3	22,390.1
Jul	634.4	2,181.2	842.4	899.5	53.8	810.4	358.0	74.7	118.4	359.0	154.0	219.0	6,704.9
Aug	748.5	3,563.0	830.7	1,074.2	81.9	961.0	432.1	75.8	156.5	516.8	195.8	264.1	8,900.4
Sep	723.5	1,616.2	953.6	865.9	85.3	956.8	389.7	76.2	188.6	453.7	181.7	256.5	6,747.6
Q3	2,106.4	7,360.3	2,626.7	2,839.6	221.0	2,728.1	1,179.8	226.7	463.6	1,329.5	531.5	739.7	22,352.9
Oct	880.4	3,407.4	1,041.0	1,090.8	86.7	958.5	321.2	70.4	236.5	511.1	162.9	224.1	8,991.0
Nov	779.5	2,928.7	1,032.9	1,107.4	81.7	882.1	387.9	67.9	222.3	406.4	173.2	232.8	8,302.8
% Distribution		,											
2019	9.0	28.4	12.8	12.6	1.1	12.4	5.0	1.0	2.3	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	2.0	8.7	2.0	4.2	100.0
Oct	9.8	37.9	11.6	12.1	1.0	10.7	3.6	0.8	2.6	5.7	1.8	2.5	100.0
Nov	9.4	35.3	12.4	13.3	1.0	10.6	4.7	0.8	2.7	4.9	2.1	2.8	100.0

Period \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel- Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2019	0.1	4,414.8	32.6	0.1	9.6	0.0	66.3	32.3	9.2	53.7	14.2	24.1	116.8	4,773.7
Feb	0.2	3,052.5	32.2	0.3	13.0	0.0	115.4	39.4	26.4	44.8	14.4	54.3	72.5	3,465.4
Mar	0.3	6,052.0	28.5	0.3	12.1	1.1	154.1	21.4	14.6	54.6	13.1	44.0	71.5	6,467.4
Q1	0.6	13,519.3	93.3	0.7	34.6	1.1	335.7	93.2	50.2	153.1	41.7	122.4	260.7	14,706.5
Apr	0.1	5,388.5	39.5	1.2	13.1	0.0	142.2	43.6	31.7	42.9	13.8	41.7	73.8	5,832.3
Мау	0.1	5,554.2	29.2	0.2	19.8	0.0	142.2	75.8	22.2	56.0	13.3	26.8	101.7	6,041.4
Jun	0.1	5,145.2	57.0	0.4	19.4	0.0	145.7	102.1	28.3	30.5	11.8	35.7	92.3	5,668.5
Q2	0.3	16,087.8	125.7	1.8	52.3	0.0	430.1	221.6	82.2	129.4	38.9	104.3	267.9	17,542.2
Jul	1.0	2,255.7	22.8	0.2	12.2	0.0	136.8	59.1	21.2	56.4	10.8	24.7	83.2	2,684.1
Aug	0.2	3,420.0	51.1	0.7	19.6	0.0	160.9	64.8	27.4	46.3	13.3	31.6	86.6	3,922.5
Sep	0.1	3,739.5	45.7	1.1 1.9	21.0	0.0	148.7	89.8	20.4 69.0	61.1	12.9	41.9	85.1	4,267.3
Q3 Oct	1.3 0.2	9,415.2 2,297.7	119.6 33.8	1.7	52.8 22.6	0.0 4.5	446.4 125.4	213.7 94.6	27.3	163.8 35.6	37.1 12.1	98.2 31.0	254.9 92.2	10,873.9 2,778.7
Nov	0.2	4,330.3	29.1	0.3	14.1	4.5 28.5	123.4	24.0	30.0	33.5	17.1	42.3	60.6	4,770.9
Dec	0.2	5,440.4	34.9	0.3	7.6	38.7	82.9	16.5	20.9	45.9	14.8	42.5	91.2	5,841.8
Q4	0.1	12,068.4	97.8	2.4	44.4	71.7	369.2	135.1	78.2	115.0	44.0	120.7	244.0	13,391.3
Total_2019	2.6	51,090.7	436.5	6.7	184.1	72.7	1,581.4	663.5	279.5	561.2	161.7	445.7	1,027.5	56,513.9
Jan_2020	0.2	5,239.7	20.5	0.1	13.0	35.4	159.9	12.5	23.1	64.1	15.6	28.1	104.5	5,716.7
Feb	1.7	2,914.7	46.7	0.1	17.1	72.8	169.2	14.8	25.4	65.8	14.9	30.9	92.6	3,466.5
Mar	280.3	3,778.3	22.6	0.1	12.0	110.8	128.4	8.3	19.4	53.9	12.9	33.9	57.1	4,518.0
Q1	282.2	11,932.6	89.8	0.2	42.1	219.0	457.5	35.6	67.9	183.8	43.4	92.9	254.2	13,701.1
Apr	3.7	0.0	76.7	0.0	0.7	0.3	3.0	12.9	2.5	41.4	0.0	0.0	31.8	173.0
May	3.5	2,931.6	46.5	0.0	4.5	0.0	71.0	18.3	12.0	46.5	7.2	3.6	53.7	3,198.3
Jun	2.1	643.3	23.9	0.1	13.1	1.3	117.7	19.1	27.5	77.9	11.1	27.0	107.7	1,071.8
Q2	9.2	3,574.9	147.1	0.1	18.2	1.5	191.7	50.3	42.1	165.9	18.2	30.7	193.2	4,443.1
Jul	2.2	1,988.4	70.2	0.0	15.3	0.0	137.0	32.9	20.9	52.5	12.7	33.0	106.6	2,471.7
Aug	3.3	2,604.5	48.1	0.1	10.5	0.0	254.1	34.7	37.7	56.5	12.8	36.5	98.5	3,197.3
Sep	0.7	7,297.6	56.5	0.1	17.6	0.0	180.1	22.1	31.9	56.4	15.7	28.1	92.4	7,799.2
Q3	6.3	11,890.4	174.9	0.2	43.4	0.0	571.2	89.6	90.4	165.4	41.2	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	24.9	87.9	6,008.4
Nov	0.2	5,002.3	51.6	0.1	16.0	79.9	158.6	7.1	29.8	80.6	26.9	16.2	80.6	5,549.9
Dec	0.0	5,486.9	75.4	0.8	12.6	79.3	65.4	5.8	21.5	61.1	13.1	32.1	87.3	5,941.3
Q4	1.0	15,906.5	160.5	2.0	47.1	226.7	417.4	47.1	88.8	214.1	59.4	73.3	255.7	17,499.6
Total_2020	298.7	43,304.5	572.4	2.5	150.7	447.2	1,637.8	222.6	289.2	729.1	162.3	294.4	1,000.7	49,112.1
Jan_2021	0.2	8,205.5	44.0	0.9	12.4	55.8	169.8	0.6	18.9	65.6	14.9	22.1	77.6	8,688.2
Feb	0.0	5,915.7	16.8	0.0	12.5	60.8	151.6	2.1	29.0	51.5	12.1	20.7	93.2	6,366.2
Mar	0.9	8,455.6	51.5	1.8	25.2	96.2	156.6	9.2	32.4	54.7	18.0	48.5	88.5	9,039.0
Q1	1.1	22,576.8	112.3	2.7	50.1	212.8	478.0	11.9	80.3	171.9	44.9	91.3	259.3	24,093.4
Apr	0.1	4,400.4	0.0	1.5	19.8	62.2	171.5	9.0	33.5	54.8	14.3	29.8	135.8	4,932.8
May	0.3	4,280.0	62.1	1.2	28.3	87.1 07.0	147.2	17.9	41.6	54.8	15.0	17.5	133.4	4,886.4
June	0.3	6,571.0	35.8	0.1	29.9	97.9	159.4	34.6	38.7	73.8	14.4	20.2	120.1	7,196.1
Q2	0.7	15,251.4	97.9	2.8	77.9	247.2	478.0	61.5	113.7	183.5	43.7	67.6	389.3	17,015.3
Jul	86.8	7,112.4	0.0	1.5	17.9	79.9	178.8	12.7	33.0	104.5	14.6	24.2	155.8	7,822.0
Aug	396.7	6,188.5	71.7	1.8	18.1	89.3	160.3	17.8	24.9	51.3	18.5	35.7	150.4	7,224.9
Sep	247.2	5,608.4	25.3	3.3	23.6	19.7	194.6	13.3	30.6	62.7	18.4	25.8	116.8	6,389.6
Q3	730.8	18,909.3	97.0	6.6	59.6	188.9	533.7	43.7	88.5	218.5	51.5	85.6	423.0	21,436.6
Oct	157.7	4,343.6	31.3	0.6	18.8	63.5	136.2	9.7	32.7	69.3	25.5	17.9	106.9	5,013.8
Nov	166.4	5,051.0	30.4	0.9	15.7	74.5	153.2	17.9	24.1	90.8	24.9	160.7	104.5	5,915.0
% Distribution														100.0
2019	0.0	90.4	0.8	0.0	0.3	0.1	2.8	1.2	0.5	1.0	0.3	0.8	1.8	100.0
2020 Oct	0.6	88.2	1.2	0.0	0.3	0.9	3.3	0.5	0.6	1.5	0.3	0.6	2.0	100.0
Oct	3.1	86.6	0.6	0.0	0.4	1.3	2.7	0.2	0.7	1.4	0.5	0.4	2.1	100.0
Nov	2.8	85.4	0.5	0.0	0.3	1.3	2.6	0.3	0.4	1.5	0.4	2.7	1.8	100.0

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

Flow Type	Diamona	s nuce -	Imp			.021 (/////			Total E	voorte		
Period \ HS	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	0.0	3.6	0.0	3,968.4	442.9	4,414.8
Feb	1,130.0	2.8	0.0	273.7 984.1	418.9	2,535.5	1.1	6.3	0.0	2,205.8	839.3	3,052.5
Mar	290.2	0.0	0.0	1,287.1	442.5	2,019.9	0.0	13.6	0.0	5,124.9	913.5	6,052.0
Q1	1,616.2	5.1	0.0	2,564.9	1,169.4	5,355.6	1.1	23.5	0.0	11,299.1	2,195.7	13,519.3
Apr	358.2	0.0	0.0	867.6	1,089.4	2,315.3	0.0	6.8	0.0	4,574.0	807.7	5,388.5
May	1,297.7	0.0	0.0	506.8	551.3	2,355.8	0.3	26.6	0.0	4,718.2	809.1	5,554.2
Jun	0.0	0.0	0.0	353.7	435.9	789.7	0.0	7.5	0.0	4,076.8	1,060.9	5,145.2
Q2	1,655.9	0.0	0.0	1,728.1	2,076.7	5,460.7	0.3	41.0	0.0	13,369.0	2,677.6	16,087.8
Jul	542.3	1.8	0.0	892.5	235.0	1,671.6	0.3	2.0	0.0	1,483.6	769.8	2,255.7
Aug	184.8	0.2	0.9	598.1	226.4	1,010.4	0.0	5.4	0.0	2,840.2	574.4	3,420.0
Sep	223.5	0.0	0.0	929.4	112.1	1,265.0	0.0	4.9	0.0	2,520.5	1,214.2	3,739.5
Q3	950.6	2.0	0.9	2,420.0	573.5	3,947.0	0.3	12.3	0.0	6,844.2	2,558.4	9,415.2
Oct	247.7	0.0	0.0	1,041.7	131.3	1,420.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	1,905.0	392.7	2,297.7
Nov	36.4	0.1	0.0	1,539.9	690.3	2,266.7	0.3	8.7	0.0	3,684.9	636.4	4,330.3
Dec	289.8	1.7	0.0	1,192.4	115.4	1,599.3	0.0	6.5	0.0	4,848.5	585.4	5,440.4
Q4	573.9	1.8	0.0	3,774.0	937.1	5,286.7	0.3	15.2	0.0	10,438.4	1,614.4	12,068.4
Total_2019	4,796.6	9.0	0.9	10,487.0	4,756.7	20,050.1	2.0	91.9	0.0	41,950.7	9,046.1	51,090.7
 Jan_2020	191.6	0.0	0.0	185.2	341.7	718.4	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
ຊາ	753.8	0.4	0.0	1,742.0	1,039.3	3,535.6	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	2,717.9	23,037.6	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	5,228.0	680.6	5,915.7
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	21,067.3	1,459.3	22,576.8
Apr	0.0	5.5	0.0	1,443.9	476.1	1,925.5	0.0	2.0	0.0	3,559.8	838.6	4,400.4
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
June	263.7	0.0	0.0	1,914.8	667.8	2,846.3	0.0	12.1	0.0	5,812.2	746.6	6,571.0
Q2	561.7	9.4	0.0	5,505.7	1,578.8	7,655.5	0.0	20.6	0.0	12,902.6	2,328.2	15,251.4
Jul	268.0	5.1	0.0	1,545.2	362.8	2,181.2	0.0	12.7	0.0	6,325.6	774.1	7,112.4
Aug	246.7	7.0	0.0	3,069.3	240.0	3,563.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	4,935.2	1,252.0	6,188.5
Sep	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,373.8	242.4	1,616.2	0.0	23.7	0.0	4,592.5	992.2	5,608.4
Q3	514.7	12.1	0.0	5,988.4	845.2	7,360.3	0.0	37.6	0.0	15,853.3	3,018.4	18,909.3
Oct	362.3	9.7	0.0	2,760.7	274.7	3,407.4	0.0	26.6	0.0	3,575.8	741.2	4,343.6
Nov	0.0	15.1	0.1	2,740.9	172.6	2,928.7	0.0	34.0	0.0	4,421.8	595.3	5,051.0

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 Group- November 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	625.7	545.9	945.6	936.6	69.5	606.7	321.6	59.2	165.7	309.7	153.1	187.9	4,927.3	59.3
Namibia	1.0	524.3	9.1	103.3	0.0	5.2	0.3	8.7	0.2	3.1	0.5	0.5	656.1	7.9
Eswatini	16.3	0.0	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	1.8	0.6	24.9	0.3
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
SACU	642.9	1,070.2	960.6	1,040.0	69.5	612.0	321.9	67.9	167.1	312.7	155.5	189.0	5,609.2	67.6
Zambia	1.0	0.0	21.0	55.4	0.1	2.7	26.1	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.6	107.7	1.3
Other SADC	1.8	0.0	17.8	0.4	0.2	1.0	11.9	0.0	0.1	0.5	6.6	1.2	41.5	0.5
SADC	645.8	1,070.2	999.4	1,095.7	69.8	615.6	360.0	67.9	167.2	313.8	162.2	190.7	5,758.4	69.4
Other Africa	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2	2.2	0.0
Africa	647.1	1,070.2	999.4	1,095.7	69.8	616.0	360.0	67.9	167.4	313.9	162.2	190.9	5,760.6	69.4
China	13.8	114.6	2.0	0.0	0.0	33.6	2.0	0.0	2.4	33.7	0.8	2.3	205.1	2.5
India	2.9	168.8	0.1	11.4	0.0	8.6	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.9	0.0	0.6	195.5	2.4
UAE	15.3	0.0	0.3	0.0	7.5	65.3	16.3	0.0	24.3	6.7	4.5	14.3	154.5	1.9
Other Asia	30.9	70.1	0.3	0.3	2.0	48.7	2.8	0.0	2.5	39.5	0.4	1.8	199.3	2.4
Asia	62.8	353.5	2.8	11.7	9.5	156.1	21.1	0.0	31.3	80.7	5.7	19.0	754.3	9.1
Belgium	2.6	1,496.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	1,499.9	18.1
Other EU	33.8	0.0	4.6	0.0	0.5	31.8	1.0	0.0	5.6	3.2	2.7	8.3	91.4	1.1
EU	36.4	1,496.4	4.6	0.0	0.5	32.0	1.0	0.0	5.6	3.4	2.7	8.7	1,591.3	19.2
USA	12.3	4.2	1.7	0.0	0.0	32.1	0.5	0.0	0.3	4.5	0.4	2.7	58.5	0.7
Rest of the World	20.9	4.4	24.5	0.0	1.9	45.8	5.4	0.0	17.7	3.8	2.2	11.5	138.1	1.7
World	779.5	2,928.7	1,032.9	1.107.4	81.7	882.1	387.9	67.9	222.3	406.4	173.2	232.8	8,302.8	100.0

Table 3.1B: Principal Imports Commodity Groups as a percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level – November 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	12.7	11.1	19.2	19.0	1.4	12.3	6.5	1.2	3.4	6.3	3.1	3.8	100.0
Namibia	0.1	79.9	1.4	15.7	0.0	0.8	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.1	100.0
Eswatini	65.5	0.0	23.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	7.3	2.4	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6	0.0	0.0	95.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
SACU	11.5	19.1	17.1	18.5	1.2	10.9	5.7	1.2	3.0	5.6	2.8	3.4	100.0
Zambia	1.0	0.0	19.5	51.4	0.1	2.5	24.3	0.0	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.6	100.0
Other SADC	4.4	0.0	42.9	0.9	0.4	2.4	28.6	0.0	0.2	1.3	16.0	2.8	100.0
SADC	11.2	18.6	17.4	19.0	1.2	10.7	6.3	1.2	2.9	5.5	2.8	3.3	100.0
Other Africa	61.3	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	15.1	1.5	0.0	7.3	4.4	0.1	8.2	100.0
Africa	11.2	18.6	17.3	19.0	1.2	10.7	6.2	1.2	2.9	5.4	2.8	3.3	100.0
China	6.7	55.9	1.0	0.0	0.0	16.4	1.0	0.0	1.2	16.4	0.4	1.1	100.0
India	1.5	86.4	0.0	5.9	0.0	4.4	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.5	0.0	0.3	100.0
UAE	9.9	0.0	0.2	0.0	4.9	42.3	10.5	0.0	15.7	4.3	2.9	9.2	100.0
Other Asia	15.5	35.2	0.2	0.1	1.0	24.4	1.4	0.0	1.3	19.8	0.2	0.9	100.0
Asia	8.3	46.9	0.4	1.6	1.3	20.7	2.8	0.0	4.1	10.7	0.8	2.5	100.0
Belgium	0.2	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	37.0	0.0	5.0	0.0	0.6	34.8	1.1	0.0	6.1	3.4	3.0	9.1	100.0
EU	2.3	94.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.5	100.0
USA	20.9	7.1	2.9	0.0	0.0	54.9	0.8	0.0	0.6	7.6	0.6	4.6	100.0
Rest of the World	15.1	3.2	17.7	0.0	1.4	33.2	3.9	0.0	12.8	2.8	1.6	8.3	100.0
World	9.4	35.3	12.4	13.3	1.0	10.6	4.7	0.8	2.7	4.9	2.1	2.8	100.0

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

Parther \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods	%
South Africa	0.3	253.3	30.4	0.0	13.1	70.3	123.7	5.6	14.3	65.7	23.7	12.6	53.7	666.9	11.3
Namibia	0.0	164.8	0.0	0.0	2.1	3.7	10.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.9	6.2	23.4	212.4	3.6
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0
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	0.0
SACU	0.3	418.1	30.4	0.0	15.2	74.0	133.7	5.7	15.7	65.7	24.6	18.9	77.4	879.6	14.9
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	0.0	1.8	11.2	0.0	104.8	3.4	124.0	2.1
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	8.7	0.0	1.6	13.2	0.3	8.1	18.6	50.6	0.9
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.8	1.7	0.5	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.8	6.1	0.1
SADC	0.3	418.1	30.4	0.0	15.3	74.5	146.9	7.4	19.6	90.8	24.9	131.9	100.2	1,060.3	17.9
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.7	0.0
Africa	0.3	418.1	30.4	0.9	15.3	74.5	147.6	7.4	19.6	90.8	24.9	131.9	100.4	1,062.0	18.0
UAE	0.0	1,195.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	1,197.1	20.2
India	0.0	781.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	781.5	13.2
Hong Kong	0.0	439.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	439.4	7.4
Israel	0.0	359.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	360.4	6.1
Singapore	0.0	335.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	335.3	5.7
Other Asia	118.2	53.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	172.2	2.9
Asia	118.2	3,164.2	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	3,285.9	55.6
Belgium	0.0	1,295.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.1	0.0	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1,305.1	22.1
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.9	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.7	1.9	0.0
EU	0.0	1,295.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.2	0.9	4.5	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.9	1,307.1	22.1
USA	0.0	143.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	28.7	0.1	172.6	2.9
Rest of the	47.8	29.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	9.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	87.4	1.5
World															

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

Parther \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	0.0	38.0	4.6	0.0	2.0	10.5	18.5	0.8	2.1	9.8	3.6	1.9	8.1	100.0
Namibia	0.0	77.6	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.7	4.7	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.4	2.9	11.0	100.0
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	6.2	92.0	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
SACU	0.0	47.5	3.5	0.0	1.7	8.4	15.2	0.6	1.8	7.5	2.8	2.1	8.8	100.0
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.0	1.5	9.1	0.0	84.5	2.8	100.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	17.3	0.0	3.2	26.0	0.6	16.0	36.7	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.8	29.1	28.1	7.7	12.9	0.0	2.1	12.4	100.0
SADC	0.0	39.4	2.9	0.0	1.4	7.0	13.9	0.7	1.8	8.6	2.3	12.4	9.4	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	48.5	0.0	0.0	41.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	10.3	100.0
Africa	0.0	39.4	2.9	0.1	1.4	7.0	13.9	0.7	1.8	8.6	2.3	12.4	9.5	100.0
UAE	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	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	0.0	100.0
Hong Kong	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Israel	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	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	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	68.7	31.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Asia	3.6	96.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Belgium	0.0	99.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.4	47.9	8.7	0.0	0.2	3.3	33.6	100.0
EU	0.0	99.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
USA	0.0	83.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.6	0.0	100.0
Rest of the World	54.7	33.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.7	100.0
World	2.8	85.4	0.5	0.0	0.3	1.3	2.6	0.3	0.4	1.5	0.4	2.7	1.8	100.0

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

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Rank	HS	HS Description	Value	%	20
1	71023100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	0.740.0	33.0	
0	07101000		2,740.9		_
2	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1 (g)	446.1	5.4	nterna
3	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1(b)	406.0	4.9	'n
4	71023900	Other diamonds	172.6	2.1	atio
5	27160000	Electrical energy	165.9	2.0	
6	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02)	73.9	0.9	al M
7	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	67.0	0.8	Merc
8	25232900	Other Portland cement	63.0	0.8	chan
9	87089990	Other parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05	59.7	0.7	but
10	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	57.4	0.7	ise
11	38220000	Diagnostic or laboratory reagents on a backing, prepared diagnostic or laboratory reagents whether or not on a back- ing (excluding those of heading 30.02 or 30.06); certified reference materials	52.1	0.6	Trade
12	87041090	Other dumpers designed for off - highway use	45.9	0.6	e S
13	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	43.2	0.5	a
14	10059010	Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption, not further prepared or processed and not packaged as seeds (excluding pop corn (ZEA MAYS EVERTA))	43.2	0.5	Statistics
15	34012000	Soap in other forms	39.4	0.5	Z
16	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	39.0	0.5	Q
17	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	37.0	0.4	onthly
18	85444990	Other Insulated (Including Enameled Or Anodized) Wire, Cable (Including Co-Axial Cable) And Other Insulated Electric Conductors	36.4	0.4	Dige
19	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the process of cooking food	34.7	0.4	-†S
20	84295900	Other machinery with a 3600 revovling super structure	33.7	0.4	
21	85171210	Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	33.7	0.4	Nove
22	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	33.3	0.4	emb
23	22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, In sealed containers holding 2,5 li or less (excluding those in col- lapsible plastic tubes)	31.1	0.4	ber 2
24	27101252	Other prepared lubricating oils	30.9	0.4	202
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	27.8	0.3	
26	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	27.7	0.3	
27	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	25.9	0.3	
28	74081100	Of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	25.4	0.3	
29	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.)	25.1	0.3	
30	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	24.3	0.3	
31	39269090	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	24.2	0.3	
32	42034000	Other clothing accessories	23.2	0.3	
33	64059090	Other footwear	22.8	0.3	
34	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substances	22.3	0.3	
35	17011400	Other cane sugar	21.8	0.3	
36	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	20.4	0.2	
37	88033000	Other parts of aeroplanes or helicopters	20.0	0.2	
38	63079090	Other made up articles, including dress patterns	18.9	0.2	
30 39	85176290	Other machines for the reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, including	18.5	0.2	
40	87042390	switching and routing apparatus Other vehicles, with compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel),G.V.M. exceeding 20 tonnes	18.4	0.2	
41	19023000	Other pasta	18.2	0.2	
41	84798990	Other floor polishers and scrubbers , electrical non- domestic	17.9	0.2	
42 43	87042290	Other off the load logging trucks	17.9	0.2	
44	90189000	Other instruments and appliances	17.6	0.2	
45	31023000	Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	17.6	0.2	
46	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	17.3	0.2	
47	87043190	Other G.V.M. exceeding 5 t	17.0	0.2	
48	10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	16.7	0.2	
49	27111390	Other Butanes, Liquefied	16.4	0.2	
50	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	16.1	0.2	

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

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Rank	HS	Description	Value	%
1	85177090	Other Electrical apparatus for telephone	16.0	0.2
2	84839000	Toothed wheels, chain sprockets and other transmission elements presented separately; parts	15.9	0.2
53	30022000	Vaccines for human medicine	15.6	0.2
54	04031000	Yoghurt	15.3	0.2
5	09109900	Other spices	15.3	0.2
6	17049000	Other Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	15.3	0.2
7	19053100	Sweet biscuits	15.1	0.2
68	71022100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	15.1	0.2
59	84292000	Graders and Levellers	14.7	0.2
0	34022000	Preparations put up for retail sale	14.7	0.2
51	23099092	Other Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	14.5	0.2
2	21032000	Tomato Ketchup and other Tomato sauces	14.4	0.2
3	85176990	Other apparatus for transmission or reception of voice, images or other data, including apparatus for communication in a wired or wireless network	13.8	0.2
4	17019900	Other Cane or beet sugar and chemically pure sucrose, in solid form Containing added flavouring or colouring matter	13.6	0.2
5	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	13.4	0.2
6	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content exceeding 5 per cent	13.3	0.2
7	84749000	Other Parts for Machinery for sorting, screening, separating, washing, crushing, grinding, mixing or kneading earth, stone, ores or other mineral substances, in solid (including powder or paste)	13.1	0.2
8	22060019	Other fermented beverages or non-malted cereal grains, unfortified, with an alcoholic strength of at least 2.5 per cent by volume but not exceeding 9 per cent by vol, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	13.0	0.2
9	20099010	Mixtures of Fruit juices	13.0	0.2
0	84314300	PARTS FOR BORING OR SINKING MACHINERY OF SUBHEADING 8430.41 OR 8430.49	12.7	0.2
1	94035000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom	12.1	0.1
2	87164000	Other trailers and semi-trailers	12.0	0.1
3	39019090	Other Polymers of ethylene	12.0	0.1
4	68129100	Clothing, clothing accessories, footwear and headgear	11.9	0.1
5	85287290	Other not designned to incoparate a video display or screen	11.5	0.1
6	69074000	Finishing ceramics	11.4	0.1
7	20098950	Other fruit juices	11.3	0.1
8	84089090	Other engines	11.3	0.1
9	85369090	Other apparatus connectors ; switch cover plates	11.2	0.1
C	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)	11.1	0.1
81	85446090	Other electric condutors, for a voltage excEeding 1000 V	11.0	0.1
2	44031100	Coniferous Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared, Treated with paint, stains, creosote or other preservatives	11.0	0.1
33	61099000	T-shirts, singlets and other vests, knitted or crocheted, Of other textile materials	10.8	0.1
4	19049090	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)	10.8	0.1
5	87033390	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	10.8	0.1
6	48181000	Toilet paper	10.5	0.1
7	08081000	Apples, fresh	10.5	0.1
8	19041000	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal products	10.5	0.1
9	48115990	Other Paper and paperboard coated, impregnated or covered with plastics (excluding adhesives)	10.3	0.1
0	62171090	Other clothing accessories	10.1	0.1
1	87042190	Other (excluding double cab) of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2000kg	10.1	0.1
2	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"	10.0	0.1
3	10051000	Maize (Corn) Seed	9.9	0.1
4	94036000	Other wooden furniture	9.9	0.1
5	34021900	Other Organic surface-active agents	9.8	0.1
6	33021000	Of a kind used in the food or drink industries	9.7	0.1
7	33072090	Other Personal deodorants and antiperspirants	9.6	0.1
8	84439100	Parts and accessories of printing machinery used for printing by means of plates, cylinders and other printing compo- nents of heading 84.42	9.5	0.1
99	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	9.5	0.1
00	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)	9.4	0.1
op 10	0 Imported		5932.3	71.4
			2370.6	28.6
Other I	Importea			

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

ank	HS	Description	Value	%
	71023100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	4,421.8	74.8
	71023900	Other diamonds	595.3	10.1
	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	166.4	2.8
	85443000	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 000 kg o	101.6	1.7
	28362000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in	76.6	1.3
	25010090	Disodium carbonate	63.0	1.1
	85442090	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	46.6	0.8
	71022100	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	34.0	0.6
	27011900	Other unwrought forms	30.4	0.5
	39172300	Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen mass exceeding 2	28.5	0.5
	85444290	Other (cattle)	27.9	0.5
	63026090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	27.7	0.5
	01022100	Other insulated electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1,000 V, fitted with connectors, NES	16.4	0.3
	27011200	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or s	16.2	0.3
	01022900	Other coal	16.0	0.3
	02023090	Medicaments Containing insulin	15.0	0.3
	68101100	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	14.6	0.2
	72149900	Bituminous coal	9.0	0.2
	87042110	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	8.9	0.2
	07082000	Braids in the piece	6.4	0.1
	84314990	Building blocks and bricks	5.9	0.1
	02021000	Disodium sulphate	5.8	0.1
	30033100	Self-propelled	5.6	0.1
	58081000	Exercise books	5.3	0.1
	72041000	Other co-axial cable and other co-axial electric conductors	4.9	0.1
,	72042900	Shuttle cars for use in underground mines; low construction f	4.5	0.1
	74040090	Other Catalytic converters of a kind used for motor vehicles	4.4	0.1
	72142000	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of	4.3	0.1
	26011200	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1 (g)	4.1	0.1
	87032390	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	4.0	0.1
	84798990	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (excluding those of heading 87.02)	4.0	0.1
	84799000	Other lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines	3.5	0.1
	87089990	Other motorvehicles for the transportation of goods excluding dumpers designed for highway use	3.5	0.1
	39219027	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	3.4	0.1
	22083010	Other special purpose motor vehicles	3.3	0.1
	71081200	Optical fibre cables	3.3	0.1
	28331100	Other Parabolic aerial reflector dishes of a diameter not exceeding 120 cm	3.0	0.1
	30023000	Other waste and scrap of primary cells, primary batteries and	3.0	0.1
	20052090	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of maize (corn)	3.0	0.1
)	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	3.0	0.1
	30049099	Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel, not further worked Not Elsewhere Specified	3.0	0.1
	23023000	Other waste and scrap of alloy steel	2.8	0.0
3	87042210	Other parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05	2.7	0.0
	41039090	Colour, with a screen size not exceeding 3 m x 4 m	2.4	0.0
	85176290	Bulldozer or angledozer blades	2.4	0.0
	39232117	Other Gear boxes parts	2.3	0.0
	74071000	Waste aand scrap of cast iron	2.1	0.0
	85068090	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of wheat	2.0	0.0
	85284910	Other portable automatic data processing machines, of a mass	1.9	0.0
)	39189090	Other waste and scrap of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal	1.9	0.0
p 50) Exported		5,827.4	98.5
Dther Exported			87.6	1.5
			5,915.0	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.