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LIST OF ACRONYMS

CIF:	Cost, Insurance and Freight
EU:	European Union
FOB:	Free On Board
IMTS:	International Merchandise Trade Statistics
NES:	Not Elsewhere Specified
SACU:	Southern Africa Customs Union
SADC:	Southern Africa Development Community
UAE:	United Arab Emirates
UK:	United Kingdom



PREFACE

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

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

This publication outlines Botswana's monthly International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) for May 2024. The report provides summaries of international trade in goods, as shown in **Table 1.0**. **Tables 2.1** and **2.2** show trade by Principal commodity groupings for imports and exports, respectively, whereas **Table 2.3** solely shows trade in diamonds. The direction of trade appears in **Table 3.1A** (imports) and **Table 3.2A** (total exports). Major trading partner countries by commodity groups, as a percentage of trade at region or country level, for May 2024 are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. The top traded import and export commodities excluding diamonds for May 2024 are presented in **Tables 4.1A & 4.2A** respectively. This is to guide users on opportunities to produce commodities for import substitution or possible exportation.

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

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

This publication also reflects on the value of Goods on Transit. Transit trade is vital in facilitating economic transformation and regional trade, while contributing to the growth of employment, incomes, tax revenues, and directly to improving the balance of payments through export of services.

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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 effectively.



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

In May 2024, Imports stood at P8, 267.0 million, registering an increase of 1.8 percent from the revised April 2024 value of P 8, 118.1 million. The top imported commodity groups were Diamonds at 23.8 percent, followed by Fuel, Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Machinery & Electrical Equipment at 16.8 percent, 14.8 percent and 13.9 percent, respectively.

The Southern African Customs Union (**SACU**) was the main source of imports at 77.5 percent. Asia and the European Union (**EU**) accounted for 9.8 percent and 4.0 percent of total imports, respectively. South Africa and Namibia supplied imports accounting for 63.7 percent and 13.4 percent respectively. Singapore, Canada and China followed with 3.7 percent, 3.2 percent and 2.4 percent respectively (**Table 3.1A**).

In May 2024, Botswana's overall exports decreased by 7.2 percent from the revised April 2024 value of P6, 368.2 million to P5, 909.6 million. Diamonds and Copper led the total exports with contributions of 70.6 percent and 16.5 percent respectively.

During the period under review, Botswana's exports were mostly absorbed by Asia with a market share of 62.9 percent. The **EU** and **SACU** received 12.4 percent and 9.7 percent of total exports, respectively. Botswana's top export destinations were the United Arab Emirates (**UAE**), India and Belgium having received 34.5 percent, 14.8 percent and 11.8 percent of total exports respectively. Australia received 9.3 percent of total exports during the period under review (**Table 3.2A**).

Imports representing 69.1 percent were transported into the country by Road whereas those imported by Air and Rail accounted for 24.2 percent and 6.7 percent of total imports respectively. Goods exported by Air accounted for 71.5 percent of total exports, while those transported by Road and Rail represented 27.8 percent and 0.7 percent respectively (**Table B**).

During May 2024, merchandise worth P19, 963.6 million transited through the country to various destinations. Goods accounting for 54.8 percent transited through Martins Drift border post. Kazungula Bridge and Mamuno border posts followed with 31.1 percent and 8.9 percent respectively, (**Table C1**). The top transiting goods were chapter 74 (Copper and articles thereof) at 35.7 percent, chapter 99 (Commodities not specified according to kind) at 24.2 percent and Chapter 28 (Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radioactive elements and of isotopes) at 14.8 percent of all goods on transit (**Table C2**).



1.0 TOTAL TRADE

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

1.1 Data Revision

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

The inclusion of additional data in May 2024 resulted in the upward revision to both trade flows for February, March and April 2024. Imports for April 2024 significantly increased by 3.4 percent (P268.7 million) while January and February experienced insignificant growths. Total exports for February, March and April 2024 rose by 1.4 percent (P66.3 million), 1.2 percent (P82.6 million) and 15.2 percent (P840.7 million) respectively. **Table A** shows revised data comparing figures in the April 2024 digest and the month under review.

Table A: Data Revision: February, March and April 2024 (Million Pula)

Period	As at Apr 2024 Digest (P Million)			As at May 2024 Digest (P Million)			Difference (P million)			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
Feb_2024	7,448.4	4,587.6	(2,860.8)	7,450.9	4,653.9	(2,796.9)	2.5	66.3	63.9	0.0	1.4	(2.2)
Mar	7,143.3	6,779.6	(363.7)	7,145.5	6,862.2	(283.3)	2.2	82.6	80.4	0.0	1.2	(22.1)
Apr	7,849.4	5,527.5	(2,321.9)	8,118.1	6,368.2	(1,749.9)	268.7	840.7	572.0	3.4	15.2	(24.6)

() Denotes negative

1.2 Imports

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

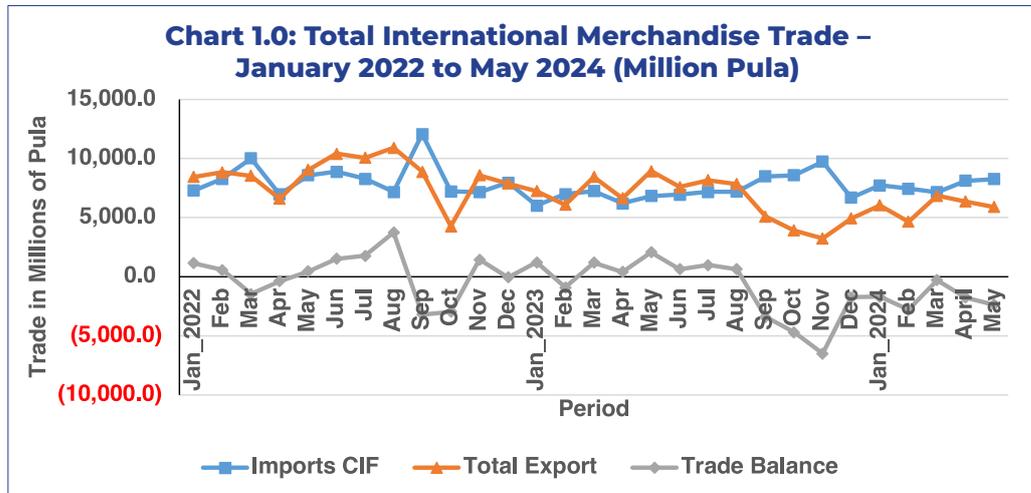
Botswana received imports amounting to P8, 267.0 million during May 2024, registering an increase of 1.8 percent (P148.9 million) from the revised April 2024 figure of P8, 118.1 million. The increase is attributable to Diamond imports which recorded an increase of 53.4 percent (P684.2 million), from P1, 281.5 million in April 2024 to P1, 965.7 million in May 2024 (**Table 2.1**).

1.3 Total Exports

Botswana's export earnings went down by 7.2 percent (P458.6 million) from the revised value of P6, 368.2 million recorded in April 2024 to P5, 909.6 million during the period under review. Diamond exports dropped by 15.3 percent (P754.6 million), from P4, 924.0 million in April 2024 to P4, 169.4 million in May 2024. This played a pivotal role in the overall decrease of total exports as shown in **Table 2.2**.

1.4 Trade Balance

Botswana's trade has persistently recorded trade deficit since September 2023. In May 2024, the country recorded a deficit of P2, 357.4 million (Table 1.0). Chart 1.0 displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2022 to May 2024.



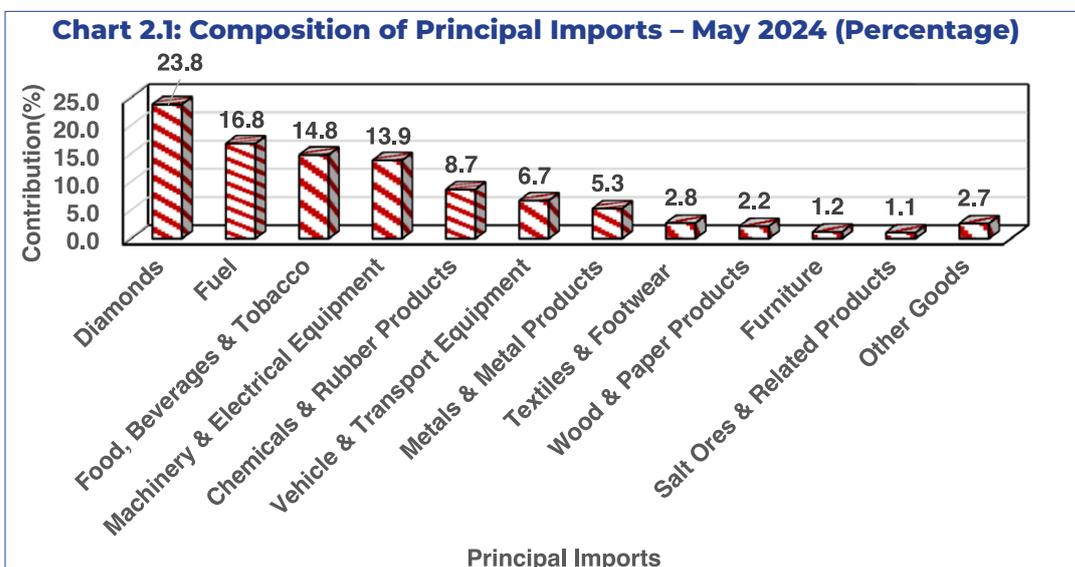
2.0 TRADE BY PRINCIPAL COMMODITY GROUPS

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

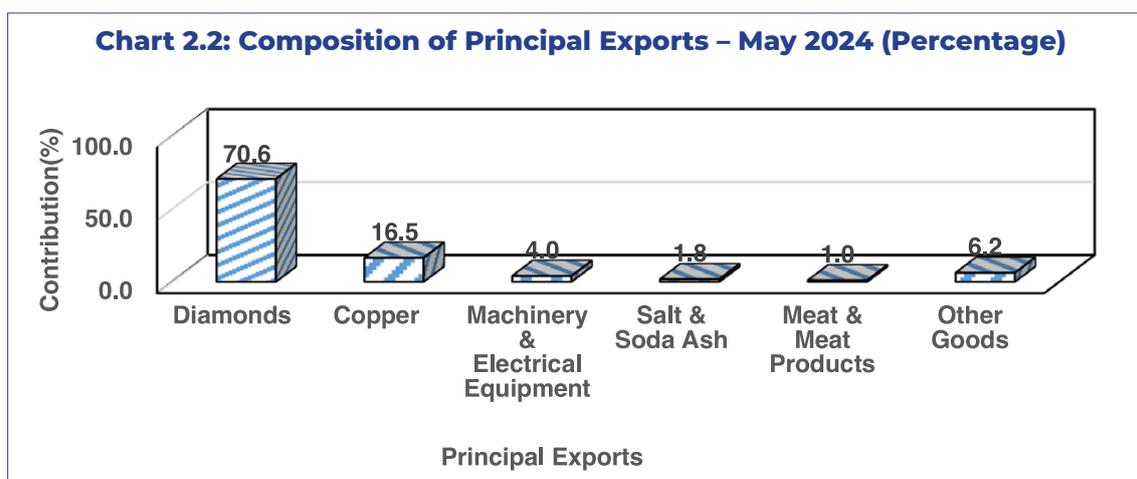
Botswana received imports valued at P8, 267.0 million in May 2024. The top imported groups were Diamonds; Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco; and Machinery & Electrical Equipment. Diamonds contributed 23.8 percent (P1, 965.7 million) followed by Fuel and Food, Beverages & Tobacco at 16.8 percent (P1, 390.4 million) and 14.8 percent (P1, 225.7 million) to total imports respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment were also among Botswana's leading imported commodity groups, having contributed 13.9 percent (P1, 146.1 million). Contributions made by other commodity groups can be viewed in Table 2.1 and Chart 2.1.



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

2.2 Principal Exports

Botswana exported merchandise amounting to P5, 909.6 million in May 2024. Diamonds was the leading export commodity group with a contribution of 70.6 percent (P4, 169.4 million), followed by Copper at 16.5 percent (P973.6 million). 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 disaggregated according to a country's primary trading partners. As a result the direction of trade outlines the last known destination for exports and sources of imports. Only major trading partners are considered individually, while smaller trading partners are grouped together under a general category. Trade by major partner countries, regions and principal commodity groups for imports and exports, during May 2024 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.

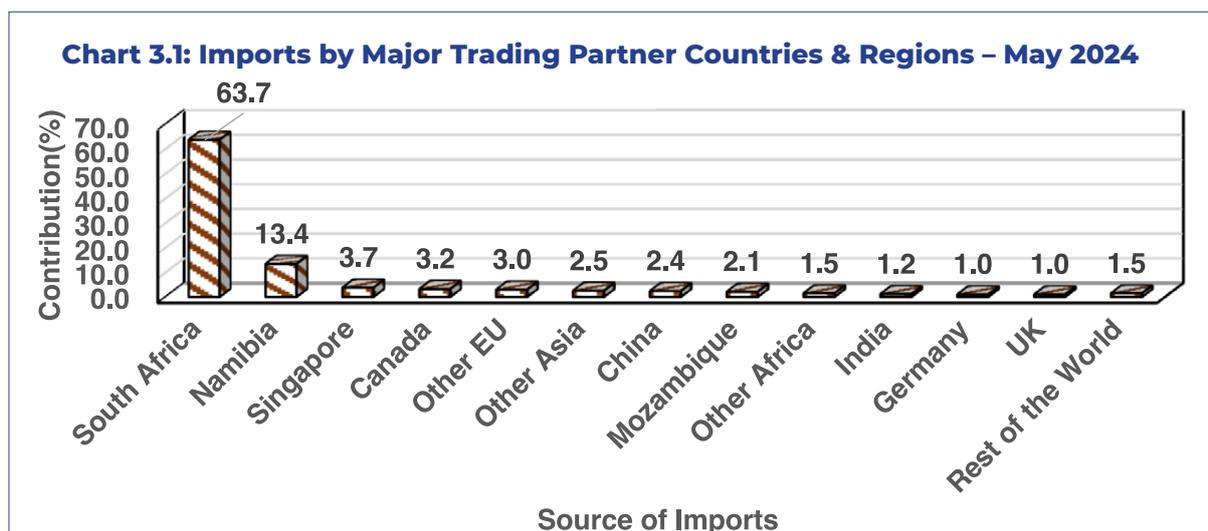
3.1 Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Botswana imported goods worth P8, 267.0 million, with the SACU region contributing largest at 77.5 percent (P6, 405.6 million) to the total imports during the period under review. Diamonds and Fuel were the most imported commodity groups from the customs union accounting for 20.4 percent (P1, 308.6 million) and 18.9 percent (P1, 211.5 million), respectively. Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Machinery & Electrical Equipment made contributions of 17.6 percent (P1, 127.0 million) and 11.8 percent (P756.8 million) to total imports from the union respectively. Among the SACU member states, South Africa was the largest source at 63.7 percent (P5, 262.9 million) of total imports. Namibia followed with 13.4 percent (P1, 107.1 million) of total imports. These are displayed in [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#).

During the period of assessment, Botswana imported goods totalling P808.4 million from Asia, which reflected 9.8 percent of the total imports. The main commodity groups imported were Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with contributions of 50.0 percent (P404.5 million) and 18.3 percent (P147.8 million) of total imports, respectively. In Asia, the countries that contributed highest were Singapore, China and India, at 3.7 percent (P309.4 million), 2.4 percent (P196.8 million) and 1.2 percent (P96.1 million) to total imports respectively. Figures are shown in [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#).

Botswana received imports from the EU valued at P328.3 million, contributing 4.0 percent of the total imports. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products were the key commodity groups imported from the Union at 44.4 percent (P145.7 million) and 21.9 percent (P71.8 million) respectively. Germany made a contribution of 1.0 percent (P84.2 million) to the total imports ([Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#)).

Imports accounting for 3.2 percent (P264.6 million) of total imports were sourced from Canada during the month under review. The main import commodity group was Diamonds at 95.5 percent (P252.7 million) of total imports from that country. The UK supplied imports worth P82.3 million, accounting for 1.0 percent of Botswana's total imports. Vehicles & Transport Equipment and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the main commodities supplied at 75.7 percent (P62.2 million) and 14.3 percent (P11.8 million) respectively. Sources of imports during May 2024 can be viewed in [Table 3.1A](#) and [Chart 3.1](#).



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

3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

During the period under review, Botswana exported goods valued at P5, 909.6 million. Exports to Asia were the highest at 62.9 percent (P3, 717.8 million), rendering the block the main destination market for Botswana. Top exports destinations within Asia were the UAE and India at 34.5 percent (P2, 038.4 million) and 14.8 percent (P876.3 million) of total exports, respectively. Diamonds and Copper were the major commodity groups exported to Asia, at 89.4 percent (P3, 325.2 million) and 10.0 percent (P372.0 million) respectively as shown in [Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 3.2B](#).

The EU received exports amounting to P730.0 million, reflecting 12.4 percent of total exports in May 2024. Belgium received most of exports destined for the union, at 11.8 percent (P698.4 million) of total exports. Diamonds was the main commodity group exported to the EU at 95.6 percent (P698.1 million), as displayed in [Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 3.2B](#).

Exports destined to the SACU region accounted for 9.7 percent (P572.2 million) of total exports during the month under review. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Salt & Soda Ash were the major commodity groups exported to the customs union. These accounted for 34.5 percent (P197.4 million) and 15.9 percent (P90.8 million) of total exports to the regional block respectively. South Africa was the main recipient of exports to SACU, at 8.9 percent (P527.6 million) of total exports, as in [Table 3.2A](#).

During May 2024, Australia received exports worth 9.3 percent, representing P551.9 million of Botswana's total exports. Copper was the main commodity group exported to Australia. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in [Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 3.2B](#).



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

4.0 IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY TOP IMPORTED AND EXPORTED COMMODITIES

The top traded commodities for both flows are presented in [Table 4.1A](#) for imports and [Table 4.1B](#) for exports for May 2024. This is intended to present the most traded goods (excluding Diamonds) with a view to guiding users on opportunities to produce commodities for import substitution, possible exportation and economic diversification.

5.0 TRADE BY MODE OF TRANSPORT

Trade by mode of transport refers to categorising trade activities based on the method of transportation used to move goods between countries or regions. This classification helps in understanding the flow of goods across borders and can provide insights into trade patterns, identifying bottlenecks and infrastructure needs and can be used as guidance in formulating transport policies. Active modes of transport mainly used in Botswana for movement of international merchandise trade are Air, Road and Rail. [Table B](#) presents statistics relating to modes of transport while [Chart B](#) gives the graphical illustration.

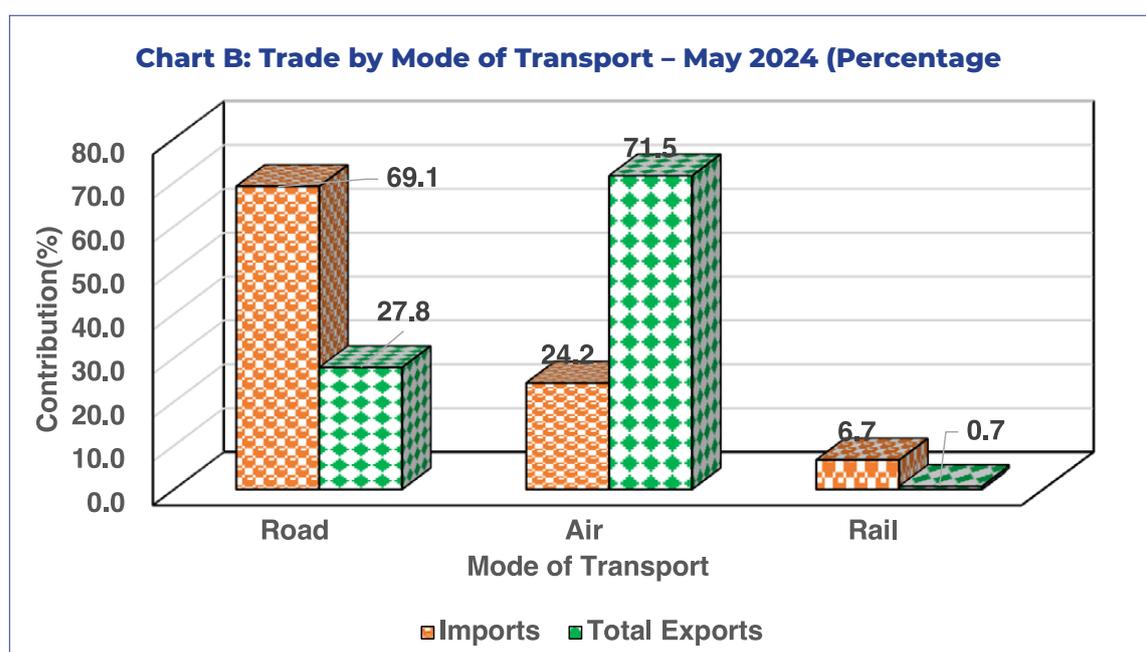
During the current period, imports totalling P5, 709.7 million, equivalent to 69.1 percent of the total imports, were transported by road into the country. Imports transported by air amounted to P2, 003.2 million, representing 24.2 percent of the total imports, while those transported by rail, valued at P551.8 million, constituted 6.7 percent of the total imports.

During the period under review, 71.5 percent (P4, 228.5 million) of the total exports were transported by air. Goods exported via road constituted 27.8 percent (P1, 641.5 million) of the total exports, while those transported by rail accounted for 0.7 percent (P38.5 million) of the total export value.

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

Flow Type	Imports		Total Exports	
	Pula (Million)	%	Pula (Million)	%
Road	5,709.7	69.1	1,641.5	27.8
Air	2,003.2	24.2	4,228.5	71.5
Rail	551.8	6.7	38.5	0.7
Other	2.3	0.0	1.2	0.0
Total	8,267.0	100.0	5,909.6	100.0

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



6.0 TRANSIT TRADE

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

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

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

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

During May 2024, goods amounting to P19, 963.6 million transited through Botswana destined for various countries. Martins Drift, Kazungula bridge and Mamuno, the major border posts through which Goods transited, handled goods accounting for 54.8 percent (P10, 933.2 million), 31.1 percent (P6, 204.8 million) and 8.9 percent (P1, 771.7 million) respectively, as displayed in [Table C1](#) and [Chart C1](#).

The top most transiting goods were chapters 74 (Copper and articles thereof) at 35.7 percent (P7, 133.0 million) and Chapter 99 (Commodities not specified according to kind) at 24.2 percent (P4, 839.0 million). Chapter 28 (Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes) followed with a contribution of 14.8 percent (P2, 959.3 million), as shown in [Table C2](#) and [Chart C2](#).

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

Border Post	BW Pula (Million)	%
Martins Drift	10,933.2	54.8
Kazungula Bridge	6,204.8	31.1
Mamuno Borderpost	1,771.7	8.9
Ramokgwebana Borderpost	487.3	2.4
Other	566.6	2.8
Total	19,963.6	100.0

"Other Border Posts..." includes all border posts in Botswana not displayed on Table C1

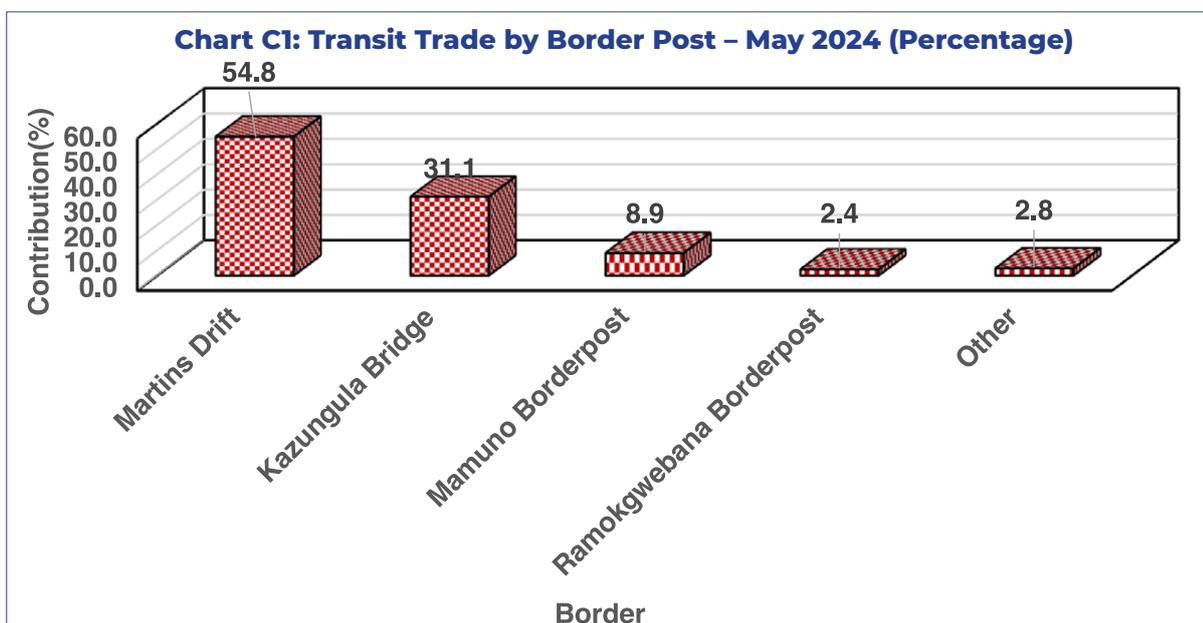
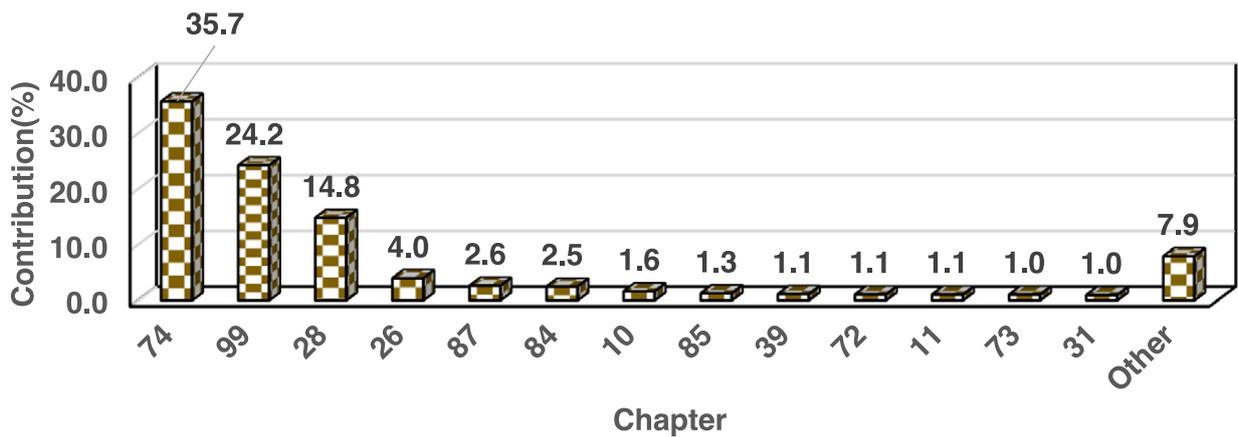


Table C2: Transit by Chapter – May 2024 (Million Pula)

Rank	Chapter	Description	BW Pula (Million)	%
1	74	Copper and articles thereof	7,133.0	35.7
2	99	Commodities not specified according to kind	4,839.0	24.2
3	28	Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes	2,959.3	14.8
4	26	Ores, slag and ash	795.3	4.0
5	87	Vehicles; other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof	527.6	2.6
6	84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	499.3	2.5
7	10	Cereals	325.8	1.6
8	85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers; television image and sound recorders and reproducers, parts and accessories of such articles	255.5	1.3
9	39	Plastics and articles thereof	225.1	1.1
10	72	Iron and steel	211.1	1.1
11	11	Products of the milling industry; malt, starches, inulin, wheat gluten	209.9	1.1
12	73	Iron or steel articles	208.4	1.0
13	31	Fertilizers	190.9	1.0
Other Transit Goods			1,583.4	7.9

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



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

7.0 ANNEXURE

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

Period \ HS	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Export	Trade Balance
Jan_2022	7,288.5	6,974.5	312.2	1.9	8,446.3	0.0	8,446.3	1,157.7
Feb	8,277.2	7,936.8	338.2	2.2	8,842.9	0.1	8,843.0	565.8
Mar	10,020.6	9,625.9	392.3	2.4	8,550.8	0.3	8,551.1	(1,469.5)
Q1	25,586.3	24,537.2	1,042.6	6.5	25,840.0	0.3	25,840.4	254.0
Apr	6,979.2	6,672.3	304.9	1.9	6,606.8		6,606.8	(372.3)
May	8,578.1	8,253.5	322.9	1.7	9,045.2	0.1	9,045.3	467.2
Jun	8,883.1	8,348.6	532.6	1.8	10,403.3	1.6	10,404.9	1,521.9
Q2	24,440.3	23,274.4	1,160.5	5.4	26,055.3	1.7	26,057.1	1,616.8
Jul	8,286.5	7,935.7	349.2	1.6	10,061.1	0.9	10,062.0	1,775.5
Aug	7,167.3	6,825.0	339.7	2.5	10,913.0	1.7	10,914.7	3,747.4
Sep	12,083.0	11,749.0	331.9	2.0	8,887.6	0.0	8,887.6	(3,195.4)
Q3	27,536.7	26,509.8	1,020.9	6.1	29,861.7	2.6	29,864.3	2,327.6
Oct	7,233.1	6,920.7	311.0	1.4	4,268.7	0.0	4,268.8	(2,964.3)
Nov	7,144.0	6,806.6	335.7	1.7	8,573.4	22.6	8,596.0	1,451.9
Dec	7,959.5	7,661.4	295.9	2.2	7,899.5	0.7	7,900.2	(59.4)
Q4	22,336.7	21,388.8	942.5	5.4	20,741.6	23.3	20,764.9	(1,571.7)
Total_2022	99,900.0	95,710.0	4,166.5	23.5	102,498.7	28.0	102,526.6	2,626.6
Jan_2023	6,033.0	5,752.1	279.3	1.6	7,257.6		7,257.6	1,224.6
Feb	7,002.7	6,708.0	293.2	1.6	6,094.4	6.1	6,100.5	(902.2)
Mar	7,253.1	6,935.0	316.2	1.9	8,449.5	5.7	8,455.2	1,202.1
Q1	20,288.8	19,395.0	888.7	5.1	21,801.5	11.7	21,813.3	1,524.5
Apr	6,215.9	5,937.8	276.7	1.4	6,633.6	2.7	6,636.3	420.4
May	6,842.3	6,528.9	312.3	1.1	8,919.2	3.4	8,922.6	2,080.3
Jun	6,948.0	6,621.9	324.1	2.1	7,596.2	0.5	7,596.7	648.7
Q2	20,006.3	19,088.6	913.1	4.6	23,149.1	6.6	23,155.7	3,149.5
Jul	7,174.3	6,854.6	318.1	1.7	8,170.2	0.1	8,170.2	995.9
Aug	7,199.0	6,863.5	333.6	1.9	7,849.4	0.5	7,849.8	650.8
Sep	8,492.3	8,148.7	342.0	1.6	5,096.3	0.1	5,096.4	(3,395.9)
Q3	22,865.6	21,866.7	993.7	5.2	21,115.8	0.6	21,116.5	(1,749.1)
Oct	8,597.7	8,242.0	354.2	1.6	3,910.3	3.7	3,914.0	(4,683.8)
Nov	9,738.0	9,364.4	370.9	2.8	3,242.3	0.4	3,242.8	(6,495.2)
Dec	6,686.4	6,389.3	295.1	2.0	4,945.0	0.8	4,945.8	(1,740.5)
Q4	25,022.0	23,995.7	1,020.1	6.3	12,097.6	5.0	12,102.6	(12,919.5)
Total_2023	88,182.7	84,346.0	3,815.6	21.1	78,164.1	23.9	78,188.0	(9,994.7)
Jan_2024	7,743.1	7,423.2	317.6	2.2	6,041.9	0.0	6,041.9	(1,701.2)
Feb	7,450.9	7,118.1	330.9	1.8	4,653.7	0.2	4,653.9	(2,796.9)
Mar	7,145.5	6,842.3	301.3	1.9	6,847.8	14.4	6,862.2	(283.3)
Q1	22,339.5	21,383.6	949.9	5.9	17,543.4	14.6	17,558.0	(4,781.5)
April	8,118.1	7,734.6	381.0	2.5	6,353.8	14.4	6,368.2	(1,749.9)
May	8,267.0	7,939.3	325.5	2.2	5,909.6	0.1	5,909.6	(2,357.4)
Change	148.9	204.7	(55.5)	(0.3)	(444.2)	(14.4)	(458.6)	(607.5)
% Change	1.8	2.6	(14.6)	(11.2)	(7.0)	(99.6)	(7.2)	34.7

Change: Difference between the Current and Previous month

Table 2.1: Principal Import Commodity Groups – January 2022 to May 2024 (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	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2022	1,075.5	2,225.2	877.0	1,089.3	39.3	788.9	281.1	60.4	132.1	429.8	130.9	159.0	7,288.5
Feb	628.7	3,295.7	876.5	1,046.3	61.9	1,003.3	351.1	58.9	185.0	429.2	142.2	198.3	8,277.2
Mar	859.2	3,712.3	1,183.1	1,437.6	68.3	1,053.1	509.5	63.7	212.3	514.2	165.7	241.5	10,020.6
Q1	2,563.4	9,233.3	2,936.6	3,573.3	169.4	2,845.3	1,141.8	183.0	529.4	1,373.2	438.8	598.9	25,586.3
Apr	673.3	1,674.8	903.3	1,410.2	61.4	931.9	373.0	58.3	165.3	392.6	140.8	194.2	6,979.2
May	848.8	2,742.7	900.1	1,439.1	105.4	1,106.2	409.1	70.1	182.1	388.9	150.8	234.7	8,578.1
Jun	809.0	1,128.2	2,314.6	1,723.0	69.7	1,136.8	356.0	68.1	166.4	720.4	148.4	242.5	8,883.1
Q2	2,331.1	5,545.6	4,118.0	4,572.3	236.5	3,174.9	1,138.0	196.6	513.8	1,501.9	440.0	671.4	24,440.3
Jul	695.2	1,548.2	978.8	2,295.6	89.4	1,022.4	369.4	67.9	204.4	620.0	163.7	231.4	8,286.5
Aug	738.1	903.9	1,047.5	1,734.4	72.9	965.4	384.0	78.6	215.9	514.8	183.1	328.7	7,167.3
Sep	854.5	5,769.1	1,038.5	1,469.3	74.9	1,100.7	391.2	65.2	215.9	629.5	194.8	279.6	12,083.0
Q3	2,287.7	8,221.2	3,064.8	5,499.2	237.2	3,088.5	1,144.6	211.7	636.2	1,764.2	541.6	839.7	27,536.7
Oct	750.4	1,309.1	1,032.6	1,499.6	80.9	1,066.5	326.6	61.3	203.8	471.5	160.9	270.0	7,233.1
Nov	970.2	641.5	1,175.9	1,521.8	83.0	1,070.4	381.7	63.0	265.5	484.9	193.9	292.3	7,144.0
Dec	767.2	2,351.7	1,013.6	1,670.7	77.4	751.0	313.3	50.5	167.3	367.6	157.9	271.2	7,959.5
Q4	2,487.8	4,302.3	3,222.2	4,692.0	241.3	2,887.8	1,021.6	174.7	636.5	1,324.1	512.8	833.5	22,336.7
Total_2022	9,670.0	27,302.5	13,341.5	18,336.8	884.5	11,996.5	4,446.0	766.0	2,316.0	5,963.4	1,933.3	2,943.5	99,900.0
Jan_2023	640.5	988.8	907.0	1,338.4	46.6	852.5	279.7	56.3	133.4	418.9	134.9	235.8	6,033.0
Feb	771.5	1,352.4	1,259.9	1,288.5	57.3	894.3	376.9	46.6	180.8	421.3	142.9	210.3	7,002.7
Mar	795.4	818.8	1,221.3	1,511.1	68.3	1,111.2	394.7	65.4	235.4	566.0	179.3	286.1	7,253.1
Q1	2,207.4	3,160.0	3,388.3	4,138.0	172.2	2,858.0	1,051.4	168.3	549.6	1,406.2	457.2	732.1	20,288.8
Apr	768.6	765.9	1,093.7	1,366.8	55.9	817.1	352.0	63.6	197.8	382.5	140.3	211.7	6,215.9
May	902.1	874.4	1,013.1	1,311.5	75.3	1,058.4	391.2	77.3	187.3	550.2	161.8	239.8	6,842.3
Jun	904.4	779.6	1,153.2	1,321.9	80.3	1,120.5	422.4	100.1	153.4	528.0	176.9	207.4	6,948.0
Q2	2,575.1	2,419.9	3,260.0	4,000.1	211.6	2,996.0	1,165.6	240.9	538.5	1,460.7	479.1	658.9	20,006.3
Jul	823.9	811.5	1,077.1	1,437.5	67.3	1,015.8	418.1	63.4	173.9	873.6	167.4	244.8	7,174.3
Aug	916.9	597.0	1,255.8	1,486.1	79.8	1,132.6	431.7	74.8	204.6	572.8	183.6	263.4	7,199.0
Sep	779.9	1,435.5	1,340.1	1,823.0	87.8	1,187.7	449.3	64.7	228.9	625.4	171.8	298.3	8,492.3
Q3	2,520.6	2,844.0	3,673.0	4,746.5	235.0	3,336.1	1,299.1	202.9	607.3	2,071.8	522.8	806.5	22,865.6
Oct	859.2	1,436.6	1,475.0	1,798.8	84.6	1,117.8	409.5	61.5	267.5	561.6	186.1	339.5	8,597.7
Nov	1,151.8	2,276.0	1,436.5	1,854.9	89.7	1,131.2	419.3	68.4	277.5	576.7	198.0	257.9	9,738.0
Dec	760.3	1,097.0	1,045.3	1,404.0	79.6	856.7	366.9	82.9	161.9	469.0	159.3	203.5	6,686.4
Q4	2,771.3	4,809.5	3,956.8	5,057.7	254.0	3,105.7	1,195.8	212.8	706.9	1,607.3	543.4	800.9	25,022.0
Total_2023	10,074.5	13,233.5	14,278.1	17,942.3	872.7	12,295.8	4,711.8	824.9	2,402.3	6,546.0	2,002.4	2,998.4	88,182.7
Jan_2024	914.6	1,826.0	1,107.4	1,355.3	45.9	834.2	324.6	94.2	140.2	764.2	147.1	189.4	7,743.1
Feb	879.1	756.8	1,115.6	1,622.8	88.7	1,257.9	429.8	76.1	204.6	591.3	177.0	251.0	7,450.9
Mar	746.2	1,229.0	1,115.5	1,342.5	91.8	1,042.5	370.6	79.0	209.3	509.5	194.9	214.6	7,145.5
Q1	2,540.0	3,811.8	3,338.5	4,320.6	226.5	3,134.6	1,125.0	249.3	554.1	1,865.0	519.0	655.0	22,339.5
Apr	787.6	1,281.5	1,175.6	1,360.0	90.0	1,506.2	429.9	83.9	256.8	687.4	187.8	271.4	8,118.1
May	720.3	1,965.7	1,225.7	1,390.4	100.0	1,146.1	440.8	89.2	229.3	557.1	180.5	222.1	8,267.0
Change	(67.3)	684.2	50.1	30.4	10.0	(360.1)	10.9	5.2	(27.5)	(130.2)	(7.4)	(49.4)	148.9
% Contribution													
2023	11.4	15.0	16.2	20.3	1.0	13.9	5.3	0.9	2.7	7.4	2.3	3.4	100.0
Apr	9.7	15.8	14.5	16.8	1.1	18.6	5.3	1.0	3.2	8.5	2.3	3.3	100.0
May	8.7	23.8	14.8	16.8	1.2	13.9	5.3	1.1	2.8	6.7	2.2	2.7	100.0
% Change	(8.5)	53.4	4.3	2.2	11.2	(23.9)	2.5	6.3	(10.7)	(18.9)	(3.9)	(18.2)	1.8

Change: Difference between the Current and Previous month

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

Period \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2022	29.7	200.7	7,702.8	35.8	24.3	106.1	94.5	3.8	22.9	68.5	16.1	22.3	118.7	8,446.3
Feb	18.2	208.7	8,060.0	19.2	17.4	107.0	181.0	8.4	25.7	59.8	17.5	39.4	80.7	8,843.0
Mar	35.1	244.0	7,525.8	47.2	20.6	106.4	296.5	16.4	29.1	76.9	20.8	34.9	97.2	8,551.1
Q1	83.0	653.5	23,288.6	102.2	62.3	319.4	572.1	28.6	77.8	205.2	54.4	96.6	296.6	25,840.4
Apr	40.6	367.3	5,586.4	31.0	21.9	88.0	211.9	12.3	28.5	42.1	23.2	69.0	84.4	6,606.8
May	66.9	314.6	7,882.7	0.0	22.8	133.9	241.4	19.4	30.9	75.2	34.0	34.5	189.1	9,045.3
Jun	46.3	257.9	9,261.0	43.8	26.9	137.7	237.6	22.2	37.3	93.2	25.5	58.0	157.4	10,404.9
Q2	153.9	939.8	22,730.1	74.8	71.6	359.6	690.9	54.0	96.8	210.5	82.7	161.5	430.8	26,057.1
Jul	60.2	414.9	8,819.4	35.5	23.8	97.4	243.8	14.2	34.0	72.6	23.9	35.5	186.6	10,062.0
Aug	64.6	449.9	9,646.0	30.1	20.1	85.1	217.6	8.8	31.4	125.5	33.1	55.9	146.6	10,914.7
Sep	71.3	304.5	7,760.6	14.1	19.8	14.1	279.3	3.5	36.3	109.1	25.4	116.2	133.3	8,887.6
Q3	196.1	1,169.3	26,226.0	79.7	63.8	196.6	740.7	26.5	101.7	307.3	82.4	207.6	466.5	29,864.3
Oct	85.7	468.9	2,997.5	16.8	20.8	141.4	210.8	4.4	33.8	89.7	29.8	30.0	139.0	4,268.8
Nov	65.1	319.3	7,392.2	16.3	19.9	85.3	295.7	16.2	28.7	91.3	35.0	45.8	185.2	8,596.0
Dec	62.1	466.1	6,669.5	18.3	10.8	82.7	130.8	7.7	22.2	101.9	35.5	110.0	182.7	7,900.2
Q4	212.9	1,254.2	17,059.3	51.4	51.4	309.4	637.4	28.2	84.7	282.9	100.3	185.8	506.9	20,764.9
Total_2022	646.0	4,016.9	89,304.0	308.2	249.2	1,185.0	2,641.1	137.3	361.0	1,006.0	319.8	651.5	1,700.8	102,526.6
Jan_2023	68.6	523.8	6,028.1	16.5	12.0	116.1	204.6	3.2	34.8	106.6	22.8	24.4	96.2	7,257.6
Feb	52.5	454.0	4,857.5	23.1	25.2	116.7	294.5	7.3	28.5	65.7	19.5	63.8	92.0	6,100.5
Mar	46.7	465.9	7,281.7	33.5	18.6	76.6	248.6	12.8	35.4	86.4	22.1	37.8	89.2	8,455.2
Q1	167.8	1,443.8	18,167.3	73.1	55.9	309.3	747.7	23.4	98.6	258.6	64.4	125.9	277.4	21,813.3
Apr	39.5	388.2	5,620.3	40.0	16.7	64.6	179.7	19.9	25.2	87.9	27.4	39.9	87.1	6,636.3
May	54.4	544.6	7,531.2	27.8	26.0	69.7	269.1	23.9	32.9	57.5	45.3	63.7	176.6	8,922.6
Jun	42.0	424.4	6,368.0	21.1	28.7	69.4	265.1	36.5	33.4	68.2	31.8	58.9	149.3	7,596.7
Q2	135.9	1,357.2	19,519.5	88.8	71.4	203.7	713.9	80.3	91.6	213.6	104.5	162.5	412.9	23,155.7
Jul	34.1	636.0	6,777.8	17.4	23.5	26.0	285.7	38.1	27.1	117.4	30.9	32.9	123.2	8,170.2
Aug	30.0	654.3	6,361.5	23.0	27.4	29.6	344.1	58.8	31.5	102.6	30.1	35.2	121.7	7,849.8
Sep	28.2	733.8	3,599.9	19.0	27.9	28.6	267.8	38.9	45.8	106.6	31.4	25.8	142.8	5,096.4
Q3	92.2	2,024.1	16,739.2	59.4	78.9	84.2	897.7	135.7	104.4	326.6	92.3	93.9	387.7	21,116.5
Oct	23.4	705.2	2,387.0	21.4	43.9	16.3	280.9	40.4	37.2	100.2	37.1	91.5	129.5	3,914.0
Nov	26.9	784.7	1,528.2	30.0	30.8	14.9	312.0	28.0	114.1	93.8	40.2	30.1	209.1	3,242.8
Dec	20.5	651.3	3,633.2	13.7	25.2	19.1	112.1	17.8	22.2	214.3	37.6	23.4	155.6	4,945.8
Q4	70.7	2,141.1	7,548.4	65.0	99.9	50.3	704.9	86.3	173.5	408.2	114.9	144.9	494.3	12,102.6
Total_2023	466.6	6,966.2	61,974.5	286.3	306.1	647.6	3,064.1	325.7	468.1	1,207.1	376.1	527.4	1,572.3	78,188.0
Jan_2024	25.7	885.9	4,475.7	20.5	14.7	32.2	214.2	21.4	26.0	141.9	27.2	71.2	85.2	6,041.9
Feb	23.1	674.4	3,183.5	6.1	23.6	42.5	309.5	113.8	33.5	87.9	28.3	28.8	99.0	4,653.9
Mar	26.0	778.7	5,335.4	3.4	33.3	50.0	237.4	38.4	39.7	131.6	28.3	22.9	137.0	6,862.2
Q1	74.8	2,339.0	12,994.6	30.0	71.6	124.7	761.2	173.7	99.2	361.4	83.7	122.9	321.2	17,558.0
Apr	26.9	685.3	4,924.0	0.4	23.2	42.8	278.5	34.4	37.8	119.6	50.6	40.8	103.7	6,368.2
May	50.3	973.6	4,169.4	0.0	29.3	46.8	235.4	59.6	43.0	106.9	54.8	18.1	122.3	5,909.6
Change	23.4	288.3	(754.6)	(0.4)	6.0	4.0	(43.0)	25.2	5.2	(12.7)	4.1	(22.6)	18.6	(458.6)
% Contribution														
2023	0.6	8.9	79.3	0.4	0.4	0.8	3.9	0.4	0.6	1.5	0.5	0.7	2.0	100.0
Apr	0.4	10.8	77.3	0.0	0.4	0.7	4.4	0.5	0.6	1.9	0.8	0.6	1.6	100.0
May	0.9	16.5	70.6	0.0	0.5	0.8	4.0	1.0	0.7	1.8	0.9	0.3	2.1	100.0
% Change	87.1	42.1	(15.3)	(100.0)	26.0	9.4	(15.5)	73.3	13.8	(10.6)	8.1	(55.5)	17.9	(7.2)

Change: Difference between the Current and Previous month

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

Flow Type	Imports						Total Exports					
Period \ HS	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan_2022	0.0	11.8	0.0	1,922.0	291.4	2,225.2	0.0	8.2	0.0	6,726.8	967.7	7,702.8
Feb	0.0	18.6	0.0	2,756.0	521.1	3,295.7	0.0	53.2	0.0	6,729.9	1,276.9	8,060.0
Mar	512.4	14.4	0.0	2,526.8	658.7	3,712.3	0.0	28.3	0.0	5,919.0	1,578.5	7,525.8
Q1	512.4	44.8	0.0	7,204.8	1,471.3	9,233.3	0.0	89.8	0.0	19,375.8	3,823.1	23,288.6
Apr	0.0	0.1	0.0	851.9	822.8	1,674.8	0.0	29.1	0.0	4,311.7	1,245.5	5,586.4
May	0.0	295.3	0.0	1,619.3	828.0	2,742.7	0.0	20.7	0.0	6,034.3	1,827.7	7,882.7
Jun	374.7	1.6	0.0	183.0	568.9	1,128.2	0.0	41.0	0.0	7,577.3	1,642.7	9,261.0
Q2	374.8	296.9	0.0	2,654.3	2,219.7	5,545.6	0.0	90.8	0.0	17,923.4	4,715.9	22,730.1
Jul	371.6	0.0	0.0	239.7	936.9	1,548.2	0.0	44.3	0.0	7,382.3	1,392.8	8,819.4
Aug	323.3	0.4	0.0	168.5	411.8	903.9	0.0	62.0	0.0	7,573.2	2,010.9	9,646.0
Sep	415.3	0.8	0.0	5,088.8	264.3	5,769.1	0.0	37.8	0.0	5,827.4	1,895.4	7,760.6
Q3	1,110.2	1.2	0.0	5,496.9	1,613.0	8,221.2	0.0	144.1	0.0	20,782.8	5,299.0	26,226.0
Oct	349.2	0.1	0.0	591.5	368.4	1,309.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,644.0	1,353.5	2,997.5
Nov	21.2	7.0	0.0	321.7	291.6	641.5	2.4	55.4	0.0	5,656.9	1,677.5	7,392.2
Dec	534.2	4.8	0.0	1,092.2	720.5	2,351.7	5.9	36.7	0.0	5,405.1	1,221.9	6,669.5
Q4	904.6	11.9	0.0	2,005.3	1,380.5	4,302.3	8.3	92.1	0.0	12,705.9	4,253.0	17,059.3
Total_2022	2,902.0	354.8	0.0	17,361.3	6,684.4	27,302.5	8.3	416.8	0.0	70,788.0	18,091.0	89,304.0
Jan_2023	320.2	0.5	0.0	135.3	532.9	988.8	0.0	34.7	0.0	5,101.8	891.5	6,028.1
Feb	925.2	0.1	0.0	117.3	309.8	1,352.4	0.0	32.2	0.0	3,520.2	1,305.1	4,857.5
Mar	426.4	0.2	0.0	76.0	316.2	818.8	0.0	33.3	0.0	5,537.0	1,711.3	7,281.7
Q1	1,671.7	0.8	0.0	328.6	1,158.9	3,160.0	0.0	100.2	0.0	14,159.1	3,907.9	18,167.3
Apr	0.0	0.0	0.0	561.2	204.7	765.9	0.0	47.5	0.0	4,323.2	1,249.6	5,620.3
May	237.7	0.8	0.0	201.0	434.8	874.4	0.0	27.8	0.0	5,954.7	1,548.8	7,531.2
Jun	26.8	0.2	0.0	431.8	320.9	779.6	342.2	45.2	0.0	4,659.1	1,321.5	6,368.0
Q2	264.5	1.0	0.0	1,194.0	960.4	2,419.9	342.2	120.5	0.0	14,936.9	4,119.9	19,519.5
Jul	383.7	0.0	0.0	62.7	365.1	811.5	31.0	33.2	0.0	4,941.0	1,772.6	6,777.8
Aug	272.7	0.1	0.0	77.0	247.3	597.0	0.0	101.3	0.0	4,552.5	1,707.7	6,361.5
Sep	0.0	0.3	0.0	1,077.3	357.9	1,435.5	0.0	0.9	0.0	2,432.0	1,166.9	3,599.9
Q3	656.4	0.4	0.0	1,216.9	970.4	2,844.0	31.0	135.5	0.0	11,925.4	4,647.3	16,739.2
Oct	581.2	0.0	0.0	459.6	395.8	1,436.6	0.0	1.7	0.0	591.8	1,793.5	2,387.0
Nov	0.3	0.0	0.1	1,687.4	588.2	2,276.0	0.0	57.2	0.0	329.2	1,141.8	1,528.2
Dec	260.5	1.0	0.0	545.3	290.2	1,097.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	2,819.3	812.9	3,633.2
Q4	842.0	1.0	0.1	2,692.3	1,274.2	4,809.5	0.0	59.9	0.0	3,740.3	3,748.3	7,548.4
Total_2023	3,434.7	3.1	0.1	5,431.7	4,363.9	13,233.5	373.2	416.1	0.0	44,761.8	16,423.3	61,974.5
Jan_2024	373.2	0.0	0.0	1,268.5	184.3	1,826.0	0.0	12.3	0.0	4,093.5	369.9	4,475.7
Feb	283.8	0.2	0.0	357.6	115.3	756.8	0.0	38.6	0.0	2,823.6	321.3	3,183.5
Mar	370.1	0.0	0.0	807.7	51.2	1,229.0	0.0	9.4	0.0	4,488.8	837.2	5,335.4
Q1	1,027.1	0.2	0.0	2,433.8	350.8	3,811.8	0.0	60.3	0.0	11,405.8	1,528.4	12,994.6
Apr	226.5	0.4	0.0	721.0	333.7	1,281.5	0.0	10.2	0.0	4,112.5	801.3	4,924.0
May	252.7	0.0	0.0	1,597.5	115.6	1,965.7	0.0	19.7	0.0	3,513.6	636.1	4,169.4

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 - May 2024 (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	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Contribution
South Africa	549.0	549.5	1,102.9	895.4	86.9	755.8	351.8	75.1	188.2	381.5	156.8	170.0	5,262.9	63.7
Namibia	0.1	759.0	13.6	316.1	0.0	0.4	0.9	14.0	0.1	2.2	0.6	0.1	1,107.1	13.4
Eswatini	20.2	0.0	10.5	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	2.6	0.0	34.3	0.4
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0
SACU	569.2	1,308.6	1,127.0	1,211.5	86.9	756.8	352.8	89.1	189.7	383.7	160.0	170.1	6,405.6	77.5
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	0.3	167.8	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	172.1	2.1
Other SADC	1.4	0.0	24.2	0.3	0.6	6.3	32.3	0.0	1.8	0.4	5.0	7.6	80.0	1.0
SADC	570.7	1,308.6	1,151.5	1,379.6	87.5	763.2	387.9	89.1	191.6	385.2	165.0	177.8	6,657.7	80.5
Other Africa	1.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.1
Africa	571.8	1,308.6	1,151.7	1,379.6	87.6	767.0	387.9	89.1	191.7	385.2	165.0	177.8	6,663.0	80.6
Singapore	0.1	306.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.0	1.3	309.4	3.7
China	21.3	0.0	1.8	0.0	7.7	83.6	21.3	0.0	28.4	13.3	6.1	13.4	196.8	2.4
India	22.9	36.8	0.9	3.1	0.0	13.1	6.7	0.0	3.9	5.6	0.1	3.0	96.1	1.2
Other Asia	13.6	61.2	6.6	5.1	2.6	50.4	2.1	0.0	1.8	56.4	0.6	5.7	206.1	2.5
Asia	57.9	404.5	9.3	8.2	10.3	147.8	30.0	0.0	34.3	75.8	6.8	23.4	808.4	9.8
Germany	26.6	0.0	4.3	0.5	0.0	36.6	1.2	0.0	1.6	8.6	1.8	2.9	84.2	1.0
Other EU	45.2	0.0	47.5	1.9	1.7	109.1	14.6	0.0	0.7	12.5	5.2	5.7	244.2	3.0
EU	71.8	0.0	51.8	2.4	1.8	145.7	15.8	0.0	2.3	21.1	7.0	8.7	328.3	4.0
Canada	0.9	252.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	264.6	3.2
UK	3.1	0.0	2.7	0.0	0.1	11.8	0.3	0.0	0.1	62.2	1.0	0.9	82.3	1.0
Rest of the World	14.7	0.0	10.2	0.2	0.2	63.4	6.5	0.0	0.8	12.7	0.8	10.8	120.4	1.5
World	720.3	1,965.7	1,225.7	1,390.4	100.0	1,146.1	440.8	89.2	229.3	557.1	180.5	222.1	8,267.0	100.0

Table 3.1B: Principal Import Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level – May 2024

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Contribution
South Africa	10.4	10.4	21.0	17.0	1.7	14.4	6.7	1.4	3.6	7.2	3.0	3.2	100.0	63.7
Namibia	0.0	68.6	1.2	28.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	100.0	13.4
Eswatini	58.9	0.0	30.7	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	7.7	0.0	100.0	0.4
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.0	2.3	0.0	95.7	1.2	0.0	0.2	100.0	0.0
SACU	8.9	20.4	17.6	18.9	1.4	11.8	5.5	1.4	3.0	6.0	2.5	2.7	100.0	77.5
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	0.2	97.5	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	100.0	2.1
Other SADC	1.8	0.0	30.2	0.3	0.8	7.9	40.3	0.0	2.3	0.5	6.3	9.5	100.0	1.0
SADC	8.6	19.7	17.3	20.7	1.3	11.5	5.8	1.3	2.9	5.8	2.5	2.7	100.0	80.5
Other Africa	21.6	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.2	73.1	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.1	0.3	100.0	0.1
Africa	8.6	19.6	17.3	20.7	1.3	11.5	5.8	1.3	2.9	5.8	2.5	2.7	100.0	80.6
Singapore	0.0	99.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	100.0	3.7
China	10.8	0.0	0.9	0.0	3.9	42.5	10.8	0.0	14.4	6.7	3.1	6.8	100.0	2.4
India	23.9	38.3	1.0	3.2	0.0	13.6	7.0	0.0	4.1	5.8	0.1	3.1	100.0	1.2
Other Asia	6.6	29.7	3.2	2.5	1.3	24.5	1.0	0.0	0.9	27.4	0.3	2.8	100.0	2.5
Asia	7.2	50.0	1.2	1.0	1.3	18.3	3.7	0.0	4.2	9.4	0.8	2.9	100.0	9.8
Germany	31.6	0.0	5.1	0.6	0.1	43.5	1.4	0.0	1.9	10.2	2.2	3.5	100.0	1.0
Other EU	18.5	0.0	19.5	0.8	0.7	44.7	6.0	0.0	0.3	5.1	2.1	2.3	100.0	3.0
EU	21.9	0.0	15.8	0.7	0.5	44.4	4.8	0.0	0.7	6.4	2.1	2.6	100.0	4.0
Canada	0.4	95.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0	3.2
UK	3.8	0.0	3.2	0.0	0.1	14.3	0.3	0.0	0.2	75.7	1.2	1.1	100.0	1.0
Rest of the World	12.2	0.0	8.5	0.2	0.2	52.7	5.4	0.0	0.7	10.6	0.6	9.0	100.0	1.5
World	8.7	23.8	14.8	16.8	1.2	13.9	5.3	1.1	2.8	6.7	2.2	2.7	100.0	100.0

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

Partner \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Contribution
South Africa	46.2	0.0	17.5	16.7	46.2	192.1	27.3	24.5	90.8	18.4	6.7	41.3	527.6	8.9
Namibia	4.1	0.2	1.0	0.6	0.0	5.2	1.2	10.5	0.0	0.2	4.5	16.2	43.6	0.7
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.9	0.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
SACU	50.3	0.2	18.5	17.2	46.2	197.4	28.5	35.1	90.8	18.6	11.7	57.8	572.2	9.7
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	15.1	0.0	3.5	6.5	34.6	3.8	32.5	96.2	1.6
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.7	10.2	3.2	4.3	9.6	1.3	1.8	17.9	50.5	0.9
SADC	50.3	0.2	18.5	19.0	46.8	222.7	31.7	42.9	106.9	54.6	17.2	108.1	718.9	12.2
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.4	1.1	0.0
Africa	50.3	0.2	18.5	19.0	46.8	223.3	31.7	42.9	106.9	54.7	17.3	108.6	720.1	12.2
UAE	0.0	0.0	2,038.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,038.4	34.5
India	0.0	0.0	865.1	10.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	876.3	14.8
China	0.0	372.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	372.1	6.3
Israel	0.0	0.0	334.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	334.1	5.7
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	87.9	0.0	0.0	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	96.9	1.6
Asia	0.0	372.0	3,325.2	10.3	0.0	6.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	3,717.8	62.9
Belgium	0.0	0.0	698.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	698.4	11.8
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	21.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.9	31.7	0.5
EU	0.0	0.0	698.1	0.0	0.0	0.8	21.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.2	730.0	12.4
Australia	0.0	551.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	551.9	9.3
USA	0.0	0.0	68.7	0.0	0.0	4.6	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	73.6	1.2
UK	0.0	2.5	53.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.1	57.3	1.0
Rest of the World	0.0	47.0	5.2	0.0	0.0	0.7	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	59.0	1.0
World	50.3	973.6	4,169.4	29.3	46.8	235.4	59.6	43.0	106.9	54.8	18.1	122.3	5,909.6	100.0

Table 3.2B: Principal Export Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Exports at Country and Regional Level – May 2024

Partner \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Contribution
South Africa	8.8	0.0	3.3	3.2	8.7	36.4	5.2	4.7	17.2	3.5	1.3	7.8	100.0	8.9
Namibia	9.5	0.5	2.2	1.3	0.0	11.9	2.7	24.0	0.0	0.6	10.2	37.1	100.0	0.7
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	7.1	0.0	0.8	59.3	31.7	100.0	0.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	98.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.9	100.0	0.0
SACU	8.8	0.0	3.2	3.0	8.1	34.5	5.0	6.1	15.9	3.3	2.0	10.1	100.0	9.7
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	15.7	0.0	3.6	6.7	35.9	4.0	33.8	100.0	1.6
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	1.4	20.2	6.4	8.6	19.0	2.7	3.5	35.4	100.0	0.9
SADC	7.0	0.0	2.6	2.6	6.5	31.0	4.4	6.0	14.9	7.6	2.4	15.0	100.0	12.2
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	48.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.4	4.4	37.0	100.0	0.0
Africa	7.0	0.0	2.6	2.6	6.5	31.0	4.4	6.0	14.8	7.6	2.4	15.1	100.0	12.2
UAE	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	34.5
India	0.0	0.0	98.7	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0	14.8
China	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	6.3
Israel	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	5.7
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	90.7	0.0	0.0	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	100.0	1.6
Asia	0.0	10.0	89.4	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0	62.9
Belgium	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	11.8
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	69.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	28.2	100.0	0.5
EU	0.0	0.0	95.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	100.0	12.4
Australia	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	9.3
USA	0.0	0.0	93.3	0.0	0.0	6.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	100.0	1.2
UK	0.0	4.4	94.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.2	100.0	1.0
Rest of the World	0.0	79.7	8.8	0.0	0.0	1.2	10.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0	1.0
World	0.9	16.5	70.6	0.5	0.8	4.0	1.0	0.7	1.8	0.9	0.3	2.1	100.0	100.0

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

Rank	HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	Contribution (%) Against Total Non-Diamonds Imports	Contribution (%) Against Total Imports
1	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1(g)	970.8	55.8	16.4
2	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1(b)	117.3	6.7	2.0
3	84314990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 84.25 to 84.30:	85.1	4.9	1.4
4	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	59.2	3.4	1.0
5	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons	55.3	3.2	0.9
6	25232900	Other Portland cement	29.6	1.7	0.5
7	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))	27.2	1.6	0.5
8	87041090	Other- Dumpers designed for off-highway use	27.1	1.6	0.5
9	17011300	Cane sugar	20.8	1.2	0.4
10	87033390	Other, used vehicles of cylinder capacity exceeding 2500 cm	20.1	1.2	0.3
11	85444990	Other Insulated (including enamelled or anodised) wire, cable (including co-axial cable)	19.6	1.1	0.3
12	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	11.9	0.7	0.2
13	87089990	Other Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05	11.3	0.6	0.2
14	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	11.2	0.6	0.2
15	84295200	Machinery with a 360 degrees revolving superstructure	10.3	0.6	0.2
16	84295900	Other Front-end shovel loaders	10.2	0.6	0.2
17	84749000	Parts Machinery for sorting, screening, separating, washing, crushing, grinding, mixing or kneading earth, stone, ores or other mineral substances	8.9	0.5	0.2
18	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the process of cooking food	7.5	0.4	0.1
19	33049990	Other Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin (other than medicaments), including sunscreen or sun tan preparations	7.2	0.4	0.1
20	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	6.4	0.4	0.1
21	10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	6.0	0.3	0.1
22	74081100	Copper wire Of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	5.9	0.3	0.1
23	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.)	5.4	0.3	0.1
24	84212100	Filtering or purifying machinery and apparatus for liquids : For filtering or purifying water	5.2	0.3	0.1
25	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	4.9	0.3	0.1

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

Rank	HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	Contribution (%) Against Total Non-Diamonds Imports	Contribution (%) Against Total Imports
26	27101252	Other prepared lubricants oils	29.5	0.5	0.4
27	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	28.3	0.4	0.3
28	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	27.9	0.4	0.3
29	84295190	Other Machinery with a 360° revolving super structure	27.5	0.4	0.3
30	85171310	Smartphones Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	25.2	0.4	0.3
31	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substances	24.6	0.4	0.3
32	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)	23.9	0.4	0.3
33	68129100	Clothing, clothing accessories, footwear and headgear	23.2	0.4	0.3
34	62171090	Other clothing accessories	22.7	0.4	0.3
35	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	22.4	0.4	0.3
36	39269099	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	22.2	0.4	0.3
37	27111390	Other Butanes, Liquefied	21.8	0.3	0.3
38	87043181	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 000 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg, or of a mass not exceeding 1 600 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg per chasis fitted with a cab	20.7	0.3	0.3
39	09109900	Other spices	20.7	0.3	0.2
40	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	20.3	0.3	0.2
41	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	20.0	0.3	0.2
42	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	19.5	0.3	0.2
43	22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, In sealed containers holding 2,5 li or less (excluding those in collapsible plastic tubes)	19.5	0.3	0.2
44	34012000	Soap in other forms	18.7	0.3	0.2
45	84112100	Turbo-propellers: Of a power not exceeding 1 100 kW	18.0	0.3	0.2
46	73269090	Other articles of iron or steel	17.7	0.3	0.2
47	84314300	Parts for boring or sinking machinery	17.6	0.3	0.2
48	33072090	Other Personal deodorants and antiperspirants	17.6	0.3	0.2
49	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)	17.5	0.3	0.2
50	39019090	Other Polymers of ethylene	17.4	0.3	0.2
Top 50 Imported Non-Diamond Goods			3,048.7	48.4	36.9
Other Non-Diamond Imports Goods			3,252.6	51.6	39.3
Total Non-Diamond Imports			6,301.3	100.0	76.2
Diamonds Imports			1,965.7		23.8
Total Imports			8,267.0		100.0

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

Rank	HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	Contribution (%) Against Total Non-Diamonds Exports	Contribution (%) Against Total Exports
1	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	970.8	55.8	16.4
2	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	117.3	6.7	2.0
3	28362000	Disodium carbonate	85.1	4.9	1.4
4	85444290	Other - Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships For a voltage exceeding 80 V but not exceeding 240 V	59.2	3.4	1.0
5	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	55.3	3.2	0.9
6	27011200	Bituminous coal	29.6	1.7	0.5
7	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	27.2	1.6	0.5
8	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	27.1	1.6	0.5
9	27011900	Other coal	20.8	1.2	0.4
10	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	20.1	1.2	0.3
11	01022900	Other (cattle)	19.6	1.1	0.3
12	64059090	Other footwear	11.9	0.7	0.2
13	62171090	Other clothing accessories	11.3	0.6	0.2
14	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton	11.2	0.6	0.2
15	72044900	Other Ferrous waste and scrap; remelting scrap ingots of iron or steel	10.3	0.6	0.2
16	61121900	Track suits, Of other textile materials	10.2	0.6	0.2
17	63019000	Other blankets and travelling rugs	8.9	0.5	0.2
18	08054010	Fresh Grapefruit, including pomelos	7.5	0.4	0.1
19	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	7.2	0.4	0.1
20	84295190	Other Front-end shovel loaders	6.4	0.4	0.1
21	72142000	Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel - Containing indentations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process or twisted after rolling	6.0	0.3	0.1
22	85176290	Apparatus designed for use when carried in the hand or on te person (excluding two-way radios)	5.9	0.3	0.1
23	11031390	Other (Groats and meal of maize (corn))	5.4	0.3	0.1
24	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	5.2	0.3	0.1
25	11031310	Maize meal not further processed other than by the addition of minerals and vitamins not exceeding 1 per cent by mass of the final product, solely for the purpose of increasing the nutritional value	4.9	0.3	0.1

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

Rank	HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	Contribution (%) Against Total Non-Diamonds Exports	Contribution (%) Against Total Exports
26	87032390	Other Vehicles specially designed for travelling on snow; golf cars and similar vehicles	4.7	0.3	0.1
27	84112200	Turbo-propellers: Of a power exceeding 1 100 kW	4.5	0.3	0.1
28	74040010	Copper waste and scrap Of refined copper	4.4	0.3	0.1
29	85071099	Other lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines	3.8	0.2	0.1
30	72165000	Other angles, shapes and sections, not further worked than hot-rolled, hot-drawn or extruded	3.7	0.2	0.1
31	42034000	Other clothing accessories	3.7	0.2	0.1
32	39251000	Reservoirs, tanks, vats and similar containers, of a capacity exceeding 300 li	3.7	0.2	0.1
33	90183900	Other instruments and appliances used in dental sciences	3.7	0.2	0.1
34	82051000	Drilling, threading or tapping tools	3.5	0.2	0.1
35	84292000	Graders and levellers	3.5	0.2	0.1
36	02022090	Other (other cuts with bone in of bovine animals, frozen)	3.2	0.2	0.1
37	82071910	Parts of bits (excluding parts used for raise boring and other parts not incorporating cermets)	3.1	0.2	0.1
38	23099092	Other Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	3.0	0.2	0.1
39	60069000	Other knitted or crocheted fabrics	3.0	0.2	0.1
40	84799000	Parts- Other machines and mechanical appliances	3.0	0.2	0.1
41	26040000	Nickel ores and concentrates	2.7	0.2	0.0
42	63049300	Other furnishing articles, Not knitted or crocheted, of synthetic fibres	2.7	0.2	0.0
43	39269099	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	2.7	0.2	0.0
44	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	2.7	0.2	0.0
45	78020000	Lead waste and scrap	2.6	0.1	0.0
46	85285990	Other Monitors and projectors	2.6	0.1	0.0
47	84314300	Parts for boring or sinking machinery	2.6	0.1	0.0
48	63079010	Other made up articles, including dress patterns, Of non-wovens	2.5	0.1	0.0
49	94032000	Other metal furniture	2.3	0.1	0.0
50	72043000	Waste and Scrap of tinned iron or Steel	2.3	0.1	0.0
Top 50 Exported Non-Diamond Goods			1,624.5	93.3	27.5
Other Non-Diamond Exports Goods			115.7	6.7	2.0
Total Non-Diamond Exports			1,740.2	100.0	29.4
Diamonds Exports			4,169.4		70.6
Total Exports			5,909.6		100.0

8.0 CONCEPTS, SOURCES AND METHODS

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

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

8.1 Time of Recording of Trade

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

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

8.2 Concepts and Definitions

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

8.3 Exclusions from IMTS

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

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

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