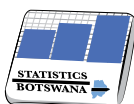


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Preface

This International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) Monthly Digest presents statistics on Botswana's total imports and exports of goods at the end of February 2017. As from January 2017 onwards, Customs & Excise has achieved 100.0 percent automation of commercial border posts.

Changes in data for corresponding months when comparing the current digest and the previous ones may be attributed to data from transactions which had deferred customs duty assessments. The data for transactions which had deferred customs duty assessments would only become available at a later stage after customs duty assessments have been completed.

The current Monthly Digest follows the same format as the previous ones, presenting summaries of Total Merchandise Trade from January 2014 to February 2017 as presented in **Table 1**. This is the only table that distinguishes domestic exports from re-exports, other tables show total exports, which is the sum of the two (domestic exports and re-exports).

Trade by Principal Commodity groups is presented in **Table 2.1** for imports and **Table 2.2** for exports. **Table 2.3** gives trade on diamonds only. Direction of trade appears in **Table 3.1A** (imports) and **Table 3.2A** (total exports), presenting Principal Commodity groups by partner country and region for February 2017. **Tables 3.1B** and **3.2B** give direction of trade for Principal Commodity groups by individual countries and region as a percentage of total trade for imports and exports respectively during the month under review. **Table B** displays trade by mode of transport for both imports and exports.

Five graphical presentations appear in this digest. **Chart 1.1** shows imports, total exports and trade balance from January 2014 to February 2017. **Charts 2.1** and **2.2** show Principal Commodity groups for imports and exports respectively, for February 2017. **Charts 3.1** and **3.2** show imports and exports by major trading partner countries for the month under review.

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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 better serve users of our products and services.



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1.0 TOTAL TRADE

Total merchandise trade as presented in this section refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance.

1.1 Data Revision

There were no revisions recorded for both Imports and exports between the release of January and February 2017 monthly digests. This is partly due to the fact that BURS has achieved total automation of all commercial border posts and that there were no transactions from late assessments during the period.

1.2 Imports

Discussions on imports are based on cost, insurance and freight (CIF) value and associated figures are presented on Table 1 and Table 2.1. During February 2017 total imports were valued at P4, 203.8 million, showing an increase of 31.3 percent (P1, 001.8 million) from the January value of P3, 202.0 million. All commodity groups recorded increases in imports during February 2017. Fuel recorded the highest increase in value terms, of P215.9 million (49.7 percent) from P434.1 million in January 2017 to P650.1 million in February 2017, followed by Diamonds with an increase of P130.5 million (16.9 percent) from P771.8 million to P902.3 million. Machinery & Electrical Equipment recorded an increase of P109.5 million (21.0 percent) from P522.4 million to P631.9 million during the periods under consideration.

Comparison of import figures for February 2017 and February 2016 shows a decrease of 28.9 percent (P1, 710.3 million), from P5, 914.1 million recorded during February 2016 to P4, 203.8 million recorded during the reference month. The decrease was mainly due to the 62.9 percent (P1, 527.8 million) decrease in the import value of Diamonds, from P2, 430.1 million during February 2016 to P902.3 million in February 2017.

1.3 Total Exports

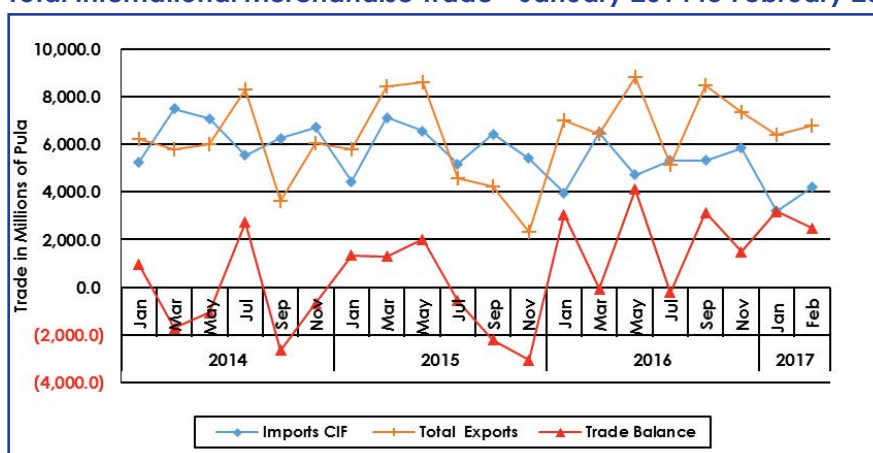
February 2017, total exports were valued at P6, 763.0 million, showing an increase of 6.1 percent (P389.4 million) from the January 2017 value of P6, 373.6 million. This increase is mainly due to a rise of 7.2 percent (P424.2 million) in Diamond exports, from P5, 924.3 million in January 2017 to P6, 348.5 million in February 2017 (**Table 2.2**). Vehicles & Transport Equipment is another commodity that contributed significantly to the increase in total exports, having recorded an increase of more than 100 percent (P21.5 million), from P13.4 million during January 2017 to P34.9 million during February 2017. Vehicles & Transport Equipment group contains mainly re-exports.

The total exports value for February 2017, compared to that of the same month in 2016 shows an increase of 5.0 percent (P324.4 million) from P6, 438.6 million to P6, 763.0 million. The increase is mainly attributed to the rise in exports of Diamonds, which rose by 16.4 percent (P894.7 million) from P5, 453.9 million in February 2016 to P6, 348.5 million during the period under review (**Table 2.2**).

1.4 Trade Balance

Botswana recorded a trade surplus of P2, 559.2 million in February 2017. This follows another trade surplus in January 2017, which was of a higher magnitude (P3, 171.6 million) as compared to the current one.

Chart 1.1: Total International Merchandise Trade - January 2014 to February 2017 (Million PULA)



2.0 TRADE BY PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

Principal commodity groups refer to selections of related commodities grouped together to form major groups. Commodities forming a group may be of related chapters, for example; “*Machinery & Electrical Equipment*” which combines machines and electrical appliances; “*Vehicles & Transport Equipment*” which combines vehicles and other equipment used for transport purposes.

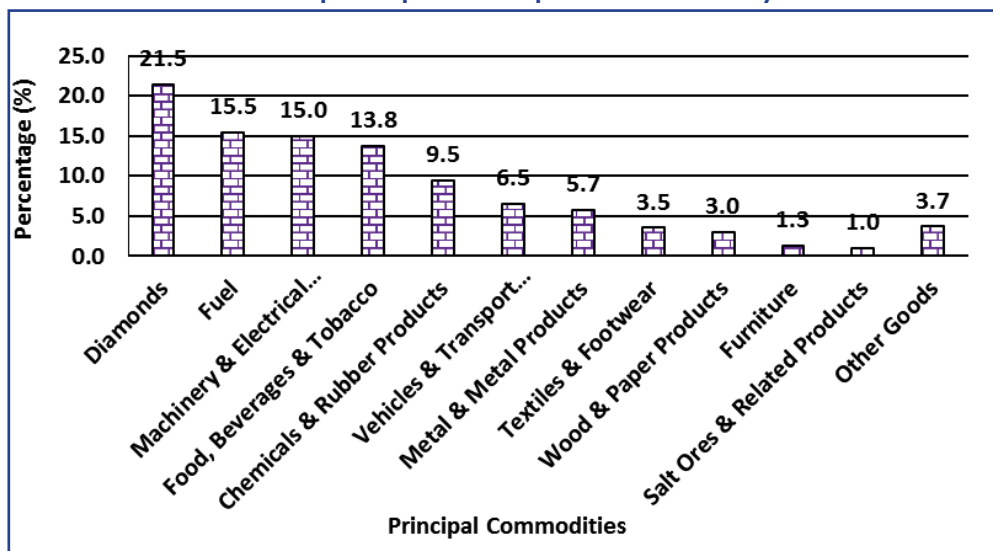
In some cases it becomes a challenge to come up with further groups of related chapters or commodities. This occurs when commodity groups' contributions to the total remain minimal. In such cases, the commodities are grouped together under the general category called “*Other*”.

2.1 Principal Imports

Imports by Principal Commodity Groups together with associated percentage distributions, appear on **Table 2.1**, covering January 2014 to February 2017. Percentage distributions are however only shown for totals of 2015, 2016 as well as for January 2017 and February 2017. Chart 2.1 gives graphical presentation of Principal Import Commodity groups for February 2017.

Composition of imports by principal commodities for February 2017 shows that Diamonds contributed the most to total imports (P4, 203.8 million), with 21.5 percent (P902.3 million), followed by Fuel with 15.5 percent (P650.1 million). Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Food, Beverages & Tobacco contributed 15.0 percent (P631.9 million) and 13.8 percent (P578.3 million) respectively. Percentage distributions for other commodity groups during February 2017 can be viewed on **Table 2.1** and **Chart 2.1**.

Chart 2.1: Principal Imports Composition – February 2017



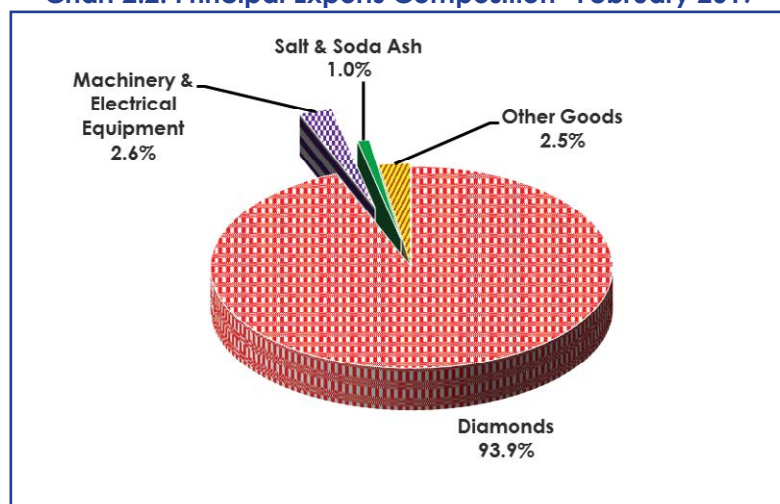
2.2 Principal Exports

Total exports for February 2017 were valued at P6, 763.0 million, with 93.9 percent (P6, 348.5 million) attributed to exports of *Diamonds*.

Machinery & Electrical Equipment and *Salt & Soda Ash* contributed 2.6 percent (P178.8 million) and 1.0 percent (P64.7 million) respectively, to total exports during the month under review.

Percentage distributions for major export groups can be observed on **Table 2.2**, while **Chart 2.2** gives graphical presentation for February 2017.

Chart 2.2: Principal Exports Composition– February 2017



Note: Other Goods: include all Other Goods not specified as in Table 2.2

3.0 DIRECTION OF TRADE

Direction of trade gives imports by source while exports are presented by last known destination. Only major trading partners are considered individually, while smaller trading partners are grouped together under a general category. Data by major trading partner countries, region and principal commodity groups for imports and exports, during February 2017 appear on **Table 3.1A** & **Table 3.2A** respectively. **Table 3.1B** (imports) and **Table 3.2B** (exports) display percentage distributions of major sources and destinations by principal commodity groups during the month under review.

3.1 Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

Discussions that follow relate to imports at both region and partner country level as displayed in **Chart 3.1** and **Tables 3.1 A** and **B**.

Imports for February 2017 were valued at P4, 203.8 million. Southern African Customs Union (**SACU**) was the major source of imports into Botswana, accounting for 87.5 percent (P3, 677.3 million) of total imports. South Africa was the main source of imports within the Union, with a contribution of 75.8 percent (P3, 187.4 million) to total imports during February 2017. Namibia contributed 11.5 percent (P482.6 million) to total imports during the current period.

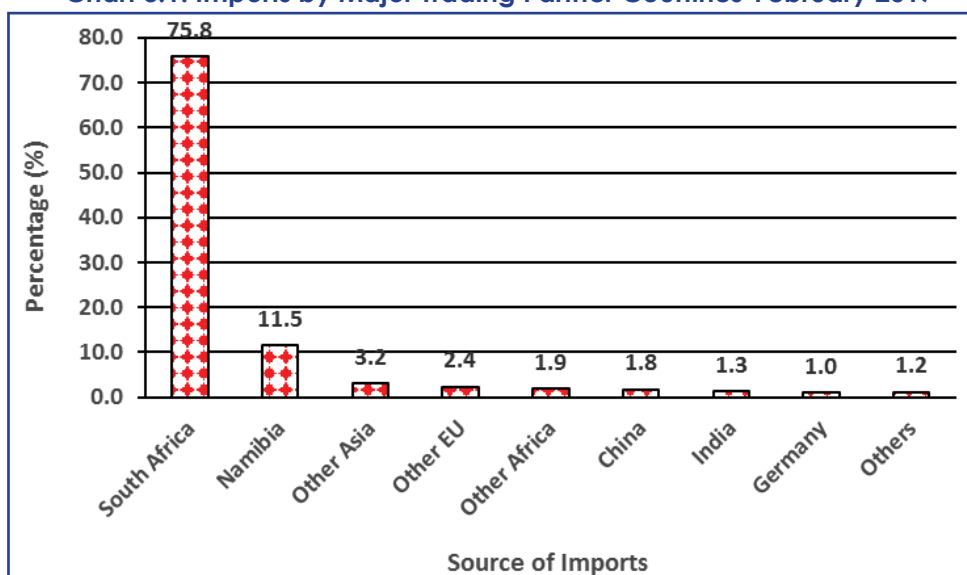
The major commodities imported from South Africa were; "Fuel" and "Food, Beverages & Tobacco" with contributions of 18.7 percent (P595.5 million) and 17.1 percent (P546.3 million) respectively to total imports from that country. These two were followed by "Machinery & Electrical Equipment" and "Chemical & Rubber Products" with contributions of 14.1 percent (P449.2 million) and 11.0 percent (P350.4 million) respectively.

The other region that supplied significant imports during February 2017 was Asia, having contributed imports valued at P260.9 million, representing 6.2 percent of total imports during the month. China and India were the main contributors to imports sourced from Asia, with 1.8 percent (P74.3 million) and 1.3 percent (P52.7 million) respectively, of total imports during the month under review.

The European Union (**EU**) supplied imports valued at P142.2 million, accounting for 3.4 percent of total imports during the month under review, with Germany having supplied 1.0 percent (P42.2 million) of total imports. The main commodity imported from Germany was Machinery & Electrical equipment, making 63.1 percent (P26.6 million) of all goods sourced from that country.

Chart 3.1 gives the graphical presentation of imports by major trading partner countries during February 2017.

Chart 3.1: Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries-February 2017



3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partners Countries and Regions

Discussions under this sub-section are based on **Tables 3.2 A** and **B**.

Asia as a block received exports valued at P4, 287.6 million, representing 63.4 percent of total exports (P6, 763.0 million) during February 2017. Exports destined to the United Arab Emirates (**UAE**) and India accounted for 31.7 percent (P2, 146.1 million) and 12.7 percent (P856.1 million) respectively, of total exports during the month under review. Israel, Singapore and Hong Kong respectively received 9.3 percent (P628.0 million), 6.7 percent (P455.6 million) and 1.8 percent (P123.3 million), of total exports during the period under review.

The major commodity exported to the **UAE** and India was Diamonds at values of P2, 146.1 million and P855.6 million respectively. Exports to Israel, Singapore and Hong Kong comprised Diamonds only at values of P628.0 million, P455.4 million and P123.2 million respectively.

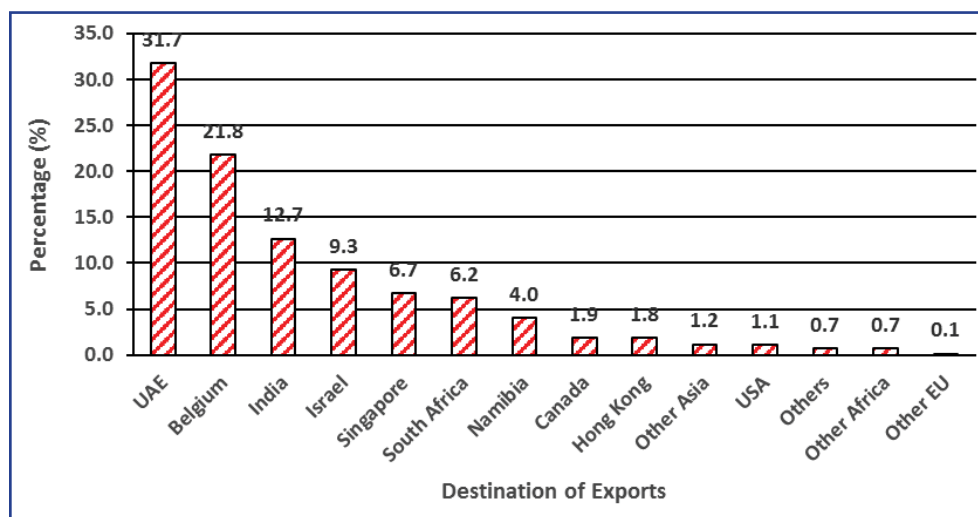
Exports destined to the **EU** were valued at P1, 483.5 million, representing 21.9 percent of total exports during the period under review. Belgium was the main destination of exports to the **EU**, having received 21.8 percent (P1, 474.3 million) of total exports during the month (**Table 3.2A**), wholly attributed to exports of Diamonds as can be seen in **Table 3.2B**.

The **SACU** region received exports valued at P693.1 million, representing 10.2 percent of total exports (P6, 763.0 million) during February 2017. Exports destined to South Africa were valued at P421.1 million, accounting for 6.2 percent of total exports, followed by Namibia with a value of P271.7 million, representing 4.0 percent of total exports during the month under review. The major commodity exported to South Africa was *Machinery & Electrical Equipment*, mainly re-exports, accounting for 37.3 percent (P157.1 million), while exports to Namibia comprised mainly Diamonds at 93.8 percent (P254.8 million) of total exports to that country (refer to **Table 3.2B**).

Other countries that received significant exports from Botswana during February 2017 were Canada and the United States of America (**USA**), having received 1.9 percent (P127.0 million) and 1.1 percent (P74.3 million) respectively, of total exports (**Table 3.2A**).

Other destinations for exports can be observed on **Table 3.2 A** and **B**. **Chart 3.2** gives the graphical presentation of exports by major trading partner countries and regions for February 2017.

Chart 3.2: Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions – February 2017



4.0 Imports and Exports by Mode of Transport

The main modes of transport for Botswana international merchandise trade are Road, Air and Rail. The mode of transport here refers to the means of transporting goods in and out of Botswana. Statistics relating to mode of transport is presented in **Table B**. During February 2017, Road transport accounted for more than two thirds of goods imported into Botswana in value terms. Imports valued at P3, 082.4 million, representing 73.3 percent of total imports during the month under review, reached Botswana borders by road. Air and Rail accounted for 22.4 percent (P943.5 million) and 4.2 percent (P177.9 million) respectively, of total imports during the same month.

Botswana Exports mainly use Air as means of transport when considering the value of exported commodities. The value of exports is highly influenced by diamonds, which are transported by air. During February 2017, Air Transport accounted for 93.9 percent (P6, 352.0 million) of total exports out of Botswana. Road transport accounted for 6.0 percent (P406.5 million) of total exports during the month under review.

Table B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport, Value and Percentage Distribution- February 2017 (Million Pula)

Period	Feb_17			
	Imports		Total Exports	
	Value	%	Value	%
Rail Transport	177.9	4.2	3.9	0.1
Road Transport	3,082.4	73.3	406.5	6.0
Air Transport	943.5	22.4	6,352.0	93.9
Others	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0
Total	4,203.8	100.0	6,763.0	100.0

Note: Others; Other modes of transport not specified in the Table

5.0 ANNEXURE

Table 1: Total Merchandise Trade - January 2014 to February 2017 (Million Pula)

Period/ Flow Type	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan_2014	5,264.8	4,989.6	274.3	0.9	6,127.2	83.4	6,210.6	945.8
Feb	5,400.5	5,196.8	202.4	1.3	5,002.0	197.2	5,199.2	(201.3)
Mar	7,481.2	7,282.7	197.6	0.9	5,648.9	121.2	5,770.0	(1,711.2)
Q1	18,146.5	17,469.0	674.2	3.2	16,778.0	401.8	17,179.8	(966.6)
Apr	5,611.8	5,387.1	223.3	1.4	6,736.5	151.2	6,887.6	1,275.9
May	7,079.5	6,846.1	232.5	0.9	5,896.8	114.5	6,011.3	(1,068.2)
Jun	5,841.3	5,629.8	210.7	0.9	7,918.0	226.2	8,144.1	2,302.8
Q2	18,532.6	17,862.9	666.5	3.2	20,551.3	491.8	21,043.1	2,510.5
Jul	5,547.5	5,313.3	232.2	1.9	8,158.3	124.7	8,283.0	2,735.5
Aug	6,100.2	5,864.9	234.3	0.9	7,829.6	124.5	7,954.1	1,853.9
Sep	6,260.9	6,028.2	231.5	1.3	3,434.5	175.8	3,610.3	(2,650.7)
Q3	17,908.6	17,206.5	698.0	4.1	19,422.4	424.9	19,847.3	1,938.7
Oct	6,708.1	6,455.1	251.5	1.5	6,418.7	130.5	6,549.2	(158.9)
Nov	6,703.9	6,454.9	248.1	1.0	5,785.9	247.7	6,033.6	(670.3)
Dec	4,427.2	4,176.9	249.4	0.9	5,353.8	254.5	5,608.3	1,181.1
Q4	17,839.2	17,086.9	749.0	3.4	17,558.5	632.6	18,191.1	351.9
Total_2014	72,426.9	69,625.3	2,787.7	13.9	74,310.1	1,951.1	76,261.3	3,834.4
Jan_2015	4,440.2	4,225.9	213.1	1.2	4,256.4	1,525.9	5,782.3	1,342.1
Feb	6,708.4	6,491.0	216.6	0.7	5,099.8	195.7	5,295.4	(1,412.9)
Mar	7,119.6	6,860.2	258.5	1.0	8,147.4	261.2	8,408.6	1,288.9
Q1	18,268.2	17,577.1	688.2	2.9	17,503.6	1,982.8	19,486.3	1,218.1
Apr	5,580.0	5,355.9	223.5	0.5	3,059.1	726.8	3,785.9	(1,794.1)
May	6,563.8	6,327.6	235.3	0.9	8,429.3	154.9	8,584.2	2,020.4
Jun	7,607.3	7,344.2	261.7	1.4	7,154.9	272.7	7,427.5	(179.8)
Q2	19,751.1	19,027.7	720.6	2.8	18,643.3	1,154.3	19,797.6	46.5
Jul	5,164.9	4,917.7	246.3	0.9	4,351.3	244.1	4,595.5	(569.4)
Aug	6,505.4	6,256.1	248.2	1.1	2,752.7	277.1	3,029.8	(3,475.6)
Sep	6,426.7	6,189.1	236.8	0.8	3,954.3	253.3	4,207.6	(2,219.1)
Q3	18,097.0	17,363.0	731.3	2.7	11,058.4	774.6	11,832.9	(6,264.1)
Oct	5,265.7	5,003.3	261.2	1.1	4,582.5	144.6	4,727.1	(538.6)
Nov	5,402.9	5,148.9	252.7	1.4	2,172.4	169.7	2,342.1	(3,060.8)
Dec	6,406.8	6,161.1	244.9	0.9	4,901.7	396.6	5,298.3	(1,108.6)
Q4	17,075.4	16,313.3	758.8	3.4	11,656.6	710.8	12,367.4	(4,708.0)
Total_2015	73,191.7	70,281.0	2,898.8	11.9	58,861.8	4,622.5	63,484.3	(9,707.4)
Jan_2016	3,967.3	3,772.5	194.0	0.8	6,896.3	118.0	7,014.3	3,047.0
Feb	5,914.1	5,698.3	215.2	0.7	6,289.0	149.5	6,438.6	524.5
Mar	6,498.9	6,237.7	260.2	0.9	6,270.4	162.0	6,432.4	(66.4)
Q1	16,380.3	15,708.5	669.4	2.4	19,455.8	429.5	19,885.3	3,505.0
Apr	6,600.9	6,354.5	244.8	1.6	7,854.2	221.6	8,075.8	1,474.9
May	4,713.1	4,474.2	238.0	0.8	8,634.2	178.2	8,812.4	4,099.3
Jun	5,880.4	5,635.0	243.4	2.0	8,169.5	331.3	8,500.8	2,620.4
Q2	17,194.3	16,463.8	726.1	4.4	24,657.9	731.0	25,389.0	8,194.6
Jul	5,330.2	5,107.5	221.1	1.7	4,880.5	238.4	5,118.9	(211.3)
Aug	5,357.4	5,110.8	245.7	0.9	5,104.5	211.1	5,315.7	(41.8)
Sep	5,330.6	5,088.4	241.1	1.0	8,254.3	220.4	8,474.8	3,144.2
Q3	16,018.2	15,306.8	707.8	3.6	18,239.4	669.9	18,909.3	2,891.1
Oct	6,220.0	5,966.6	252.4	1.0	3,370.8	287.8	3,658.6	(2,561.4)
Nov	5,845.6	5,595.5	248.8	1.2	7,125.6	208.5	7,334.1	1,488.5
Dec	5,203.7	4,954.5	216.1	33.0	4,965.7	190.1	5,155.8	(47.9)
Q4	17,269.3	16,516.7	717.4	35.2	15,462.1	686.4	16,148.5	(1,120.8)
Total_2016	66,862.1	63,995.7	2,820.8	45.6	77,815.3	2,516.9	80,332.1	13,470.1
Jan_2017	3,202.0	3,093.1	108.0	0.9	6,176.8	196.8	6,373.6	3,171.6
Feb	4,203.8	3,969.8	232.7	1.3	5,547.7	1,215.3	6,763.0	2,559.2

Table 2.1: Principal Import Commodity Groups-January 2014 to February 2017 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total
Jan_2014	454.2	1,922.2	503.5	724.7	30.0	610.9	180.2	44.6	105.5	452.0	92.2	144.9	5,264.8
Feb	528.7	1,807.5	514.6	748.7	46.2	721.9	211.2	43.7	132.1	390.4	119.3	136.3	5,400.5
Mar	423.2	3,739.5	489.2	1,045.4	48.5	613.7	212.8	43.8	158.0	471.5	109.5	126.1	7,481.2
Q1	1,406.0	7,469.1	1,507.4	2,518.8	124.7	1,946.4	604.1	132.0	395.6	1,313.9	321.1	407.4	18,146.5
Apr	420.9	1,796.8	476.4	1,183.2	39.6	611.3	206.4	47.5	198.0	403.7	99.4	128.4	5,611.8
May	460.1	3,196.8	502.1	822.6	47.8	613.3	225.6	57.8	174.0	653.9	124.3	201.2	7,079.5
Jun	435.7	2,389.1	439.2	795.7	58.3	580.6	240.4	58.7	132.5	471.3	108.0	131.9	5,841.3
Q2	1,316.8	7,382.7	1,417.6	2,801.6	145.7	1,805.2	672.4	164.1	504.5	1,528.9	331.7	461.5	18,532.6
Jul	471.3	1,543.9	558.4	1,067.8	59.3	703.0	194.9	52.8	184.4	424.1	138.0	149.6	5,547.5
Aug	508.2	2,229.6	532.3	756.4	55.9	694.7	267.9	67.2	168.8	532.7	143.6	142.7	6,100.2
Sep	518.2	2,186.8	540.9	885.5	58.3	783.7	276.6	61.0	204.5	445.4	141.2	158.8	6,260.9
Q3	1,497.6	5,960.3	1,631.6	2,709.7	173.5	2,181.5	739.5	181.0	557.7	1,402.2	422.8	451.2	17,908.6
Oct	548.8	2,394.8	619.2	810.9	84.3	867.1	298.2	48.4	229.8	478.3	149.8	178.6	6,708.1
Nov	588.3	2,421.8	587.8	942.6	71.9	734.7	277.1	64.2	204.0	482.3	147.8	181.4	6,703.9
Dec	513.1	350.7	523.5	1,111.5	61.2	720.7	211.0	54.1	155.2	432.4	125.4	168.3	4,427.2
Q4	1,650.2	5,167.2	1,730.5	2,865.0	217.3	2,322.5	786.3	166.8	589.0	1,392.9	423.0	528.4	17,839.2
Total_2014	5,870.6	25,979.3	6,287.1	10,895.1	661.3	8,255.5	2,802.3	643.9	2,046.8	5,638.0	1,498.6	1,848.4	72,426.9
Jan_2015	447.2	855.2	600.7	728.9	41.8	602.9	171.1	51.4	117.7	351.6	110.0	361.7	4,440.2
Feb	485.3	3,069.9	508.2	619.2	58.1	657.1	225.8	48.1	153.8	346.4	115.4	421.1	6,708.4
Mar	478.4	2,693.5	516.4	1,233.3	62.3	733.9	306.2	55.6	206.9	530.5	130.5	172.1	7,119.6
Q1	1,410.9	6,618.6	1,625.3	2,581.3	162.2	1,993.9	703.2	155.0	478.5	1,228.5	355.9	954.9	18,268.2
Apr	538.9	1,901.2	507.8	606.7	43.8	682.5	218.0	57.6	214.4	476.5	112.3	220.3	5,580.0
May	534.3	2,619.5	517.8	739.2	52.0	731.8	247.9	45.2	166.1	470.0	112.6	327.3	6,563.8
Jun	622.2	3,399.6	539.0	761.9	67.1	945.2	268.7	64.3	133.8	384.7	116.4	304.6	7,607.3
Q2	1,695.4	7,920.3	1,564.5	2,107.8	162.9	2,359.5	734.5	167.2	514.3	1,331.3	341.2	852.3	19,751.1
Jul	501.8	1,100.6	564.5	768.6	61.6	911.5	289.2	58.8	163.8	455.2	126.2	163.1	5,164.9
Aug	538.2	2,273.8	624.9	962.7	58.9	825.3	226.2	50.9	180.6	461.1	130.7	172.2	6,505.4
Sep	617.8	2,638.5	573.3	600.6	57.9	788.5	213.3	42.1	185.4	415.7	130.9	162.7	6,426.7
Q3	1,657.8	6,012.9	1,762.7	2,331.9	178.5	2,525.3	728.7	151.8	529.9	1,332.0	387.7	497.9	18,097.0
Oct	537.6	1,098.6	666.4	849.9	72.5	822.0	241.6	58.7	216.8	388.5	133.0	180.2	5,265.7
Nov	580.5	1,226.7	688.0	628.8	65.1	754.2	260.5	33.9	268.5	534.0	132.7	230.1	5,402.9
Dec	503.9	2,354.5	715.8	617.0	51.0	754.8	239.0	50.2	165.5	510.1	125.1	319.6	6,406.8
Q4	1,622.0	4,679.9	2,070.2	2,095.7	188.6	2,331.0	741.1	142.7	650.8	1,432.6	390.9	729.9	17,075.4
Total_2015	6,386.2	25,231.6	7,022.7	9,116.7	692.1	9,209.7	2,907.5	616.7	2,173.5	5,324.3	1,475.6	3,035.0	73,191.7

Table 2.1 Cont'd: Principal Import Commodity Groups-January 2014 to February 2017 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total
Jan_2016	343.8	955.8	516.7	542.3	29.1	566.2	203.3	44.4	102.0	311.2	111.4	241.1	3,967.3
Feb	468.7	2,430.1	584.4	549.5	47.8	664.0	253.5	44.8	156.2	341.9	108.1	265.1	5,914.1
Mar	466.6	2,259.2	580.7	1,002.6	50.4	717.0	292.5	44.6	178.6	421.4	116.3	369.0	6,498.9
Q1	1,279.1	5,645.1	1,681.9	2,094.4	127.2	1,947.1	749.4	133.8	436.8	1,074.5	335.8	875.2	16,380.3
Apr	770.9	2,323.0	536.2	618.1	57.1	836.4	292.7	43.3	181.8	502.8	145.4	293.2	6,600.9
May	479.7	638.4	556.7	1,025.2	64.3	761.4	247.1	50.7	156.8	343.5	124.9	264.3	4,713.1
Jun	554.6	1,542.8	605.5	1,133.0	70.6	761.3	226.4	50.9	139.2	404.3	140.5	251.1	5,880.4
Q2	1,805.2	4,504.2	1,698.4	2,776.3	191.9	2,359.2	766.1	144.9	477.8	1,250.6	410.8	808.7	17,194.3
Jul	799.7	1,379.7	572.2	671.4	56.7	710.5	236.4	46.1	156.6	377.7	119.1	204.0	5,330.2
Aug	525.2	1,117.0	680.6	622.8	58.2	843.2	261.7	61.1	207.7	496.2	140.5	343.1	5,357.4
Sep	505.4	1,155.9	675.4	610.9	69.9	783.0	264.7	61.6	191.0	642.7	136.4	233.7	5,330.6
Q3	1,830.3	3,652.6	1,928.3	1,905.1	184.8	2,336.7	762.8	168.8	555.3	1,516.7	396.0	780.8	16,018.2
Oct	623.6	1,906.9	725.6	631.5	79.3	895.3	279.3	54.0	198.8	436.7	158.5	230.5	6,220.0
Nov	556.3	1,544.8	807.4	620.3	74.7	922.7	280.6	56.4	222.6	399.5	150.9	209.5	5,845.6
Dec	464.8	1,651.4	636.7	620.8	57.5	725.1	206.3	47.9	148.6	354.3	137.5	152.9	5,203.7
Q4	1,644.7	5,103.0	2,169.6	1,872.6	211.5	2,543.1	766.2	158.3	570.0	1,190.4	446.9	592.9	17,269.3
Total_2016	6,559.3	18,905.0	7,478.1	8,648.4	715.5	9,186.1	3,044.7	605.8	2,040.0	5,032.2	1,589.4	3,057.6	66,862.1
Jan_2017	300.8	771.8	505.6	434.1	30.8	522.4	144.5	28.4	99.4	194.2	87.1	82.9	3,202.0
Feb	398.8	902.3	578.3	650.1	56.6	631.9	240.2	43.8	148.6	272.4	125.2	155.6	4,203.8
% Distribution													
2015	8.7	34.5	9.6	12.5	0.9	12.6	4.0	0.8	3.0	7.3	2.0	4.1	100.0
2016	9.8	28.3	11.2	12.9	1.1	13.7	4.6	0.9	3.1	7.5	2.4	4.6	100.0
Jan_2017	9.4	24.1	15.8	13.6	1.0	16.3	4.5	0.9	3.1	6.1	2.7	2.6	100.0
Feb_2017	9.5	21.5	13.8	15.5	1.3	15.0	5.7	1.0	3.5	6.5	3.0	3.7	100.0

Table 2.2: Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2014 to February 2017 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron Steel & Related Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total
Jan_2014	412.9	5,455.0	33.2	7.4	25.6	56.2	22.3	19.6	41.9	25.8	38.9	71.9	6,210.6
Feb	276.4	4,458.8	42.2	5.5	39.8	71.5	48.0	17.8	46.0	33.0	64.1	96.0	5,199.2
Mar	216.7	5,127.8	32.7	3.0	45.2	70.5	30.1	19.6	48.9	23.7	50.1	101.7	5,770.0
Q1	906.0	15,041.6	108.1	15.9	110.7	198.3	100.4	56.9	136.8	82.5	153.0	269.6	17,179.8
Apr	257.1	6,105.8	36.6	4.7	37.9	103.7	40.8	16.6	40.5	30.9	118.7	94.3	6,887.6
May	468.7	4,965.4	49.1	8.4	28.6	127.4	96.8	22.8	51.7	34.6	35.9	121.5	6,011.3
Jun	405.7	7,194.9	23.6	10.6	25.3	125.0	120.0	24.4	53.3	24.4	41.7	95.3	8,144.1
Q2	1,131.5	18,266.1	109.3	23.8	91.9	356.1	257.6	63.9	145.5	89.9	196.3	311.1	21,043.1
Jul	133.3	7,486.4	41.0	8.7	24.1	137.2	135.3	26.5	47.2	38.6	42.4	162.2	8,283.0
Aug	250.7	7,132.4	34.3	5.9	32.9	106.9	105.5	27.6	43.6	45.3	39.9	129.1	7,954.1
Sep	569.2	2,347.9	28.7	9.0	33.8	200.8	139.7	31.7	51.4	25.6	47.3	125.0	3,610.3
Q3	953.2	16,966.6	104.1	23.5	90.9	444.9	380.5	85.9	142.1	109.5	129.7	416.3	19,847.3
Oct	585.0	5,299.9	21.0	11.6	26.4	203.6	125.2	29.0	57.5	35.8	49.7	104.7	6,549.2
Nov	458.9	4,974.1	24.5	4.5	22.4	176.0	105.2	34.5	59.6	30.6	29.4	113.9	6,033.6
Dec	357.2	4,779.7	26.9	6.3	21.0	80.6	80.5	20.7	53.7	27.7	42.0	112.0	5,608.3
Q4	1,401.0	15,053.8	72.3	22.4	69.7	460.1	310.9	84.1	170.8	94.0	121.1	330.6	18,191.1
Total_2014	4,391.7	65,328.2	393.8	85.7	363.2	1,459.3	1,049.4	290.8	595.3	376.0	600.1	1,327.8	76,261.3
Jan_2015	428.9	4,860.4	20.5	7.7	18.1	123.2	46.2	20.4	70.1	18.7	84.3	83.7	5,782.3
Feb	486.1	4,231.5	19.1	6.9	22.8	165.9	67.2	26.7	53.3	26.8	47.6	141.5	5,295.4
Mar	428.7	7,385.2	22.4	8.0	25.8	170.0	90.2	33.2	11.5	40.4	85.6	107.6	8,408.6
Q1	1,343.8	16,477.1	62.0	22.7	66.7	459.1	203.5	80.3	134.9	85.9	217.4	332.9	19,486.3
Apr	448.2	2,722.8	21.1	9.8	16.9	166.6	138.0	23.3	34.1	30.1	98.7	76.4	3,785.9
May	402.1	7,530.6	36.4	8.3	20.5	221.6	111.8	24.9	42.3	39.9	57.6	88.2	8,584.2
Jun	458.3	6,365.0	21.2	9.9	24.2	164.4	117.7	29.3	54.2	34.4	58.0	90.8	7,427.5
Q2	1,308.5	16,618.5	78.7	28.0	61.6	552.5	367.6	77.5	130.6	104.4	214.3	255.4	19,797.6
Jul	320.7	3,687.1	24.7	10.0	17.2	169.0	138.8	28.9	57.1	30.4	27.6	84.1	4,595.5
Aug	40.2	2,362.2	30.3	2.6	15.6	184.7	108.8	25.9	56.1	33.7	71.9	97.8	3,029.8
Sep	13.9	3,559.6	31.2	5.9	25.3	220.3	91.8	28.6	56.0	22.9	45.5	106.8	4,207.6
Q3	374.8	9,608.9	86.2	18.5	58.0	574.0	339.3	83.4	169.1	87.0	145.0	288.7	11,832.9
Oct	53.0	4,123.2	13.8	7.9	15.5	179.3	82.7	22.2	53.3	27.0	34.6	114.5	4,727.1
Nov	302.3	1,446.2	36.8	9.1	20.5	187.5	75.6	27.1	52.1	33.5	58.2	93.3	2,342.1
Dec	407.5	4,456.5	11.4	4.5	20.0	69.1	104.3	15.5	53.6	34.1	31.1	90.7	5,298.3
Q4	762.8	10,025.9	61.9	21.4	55.9	435.9	262.6	64.8	159.0	94.6	124.0	298.5	12,367.4
Total_2015	3,789.9	52,730.4	288.8	90.6	242.3	2,021.5	1,173.0	306.0	593.7	371.8	700.7	1,175.5	63,484.3

Table 2.2 Cont'd: Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2014 to February 2017 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron Steel & Related Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total
Jan_2016	436.3	6,092.3	38.7	2.8	16.8	171.6	42.4	21.1	53.9	19.3	52.9	66.4	7,014.3
Feb	448.5	5,453.9	46.3	5.3	19.0	166.0	85.0	25.2	47.9	20.4	28.6	92.5	6,438.6
Mar	323.8	5,456.9	62.8	8.0	10.5	217.6	136.1	20.6	42.3	20.9	38.2	94.7	6,432.4
Q1	1,208.6	17,003.1	147.8	16.0	46.4	555.3	263.4	66.9	144.1	60.5	119.8	253.5	19,885.3
Apr	264.7	7,251.1	30.8	4.4	13.5	179.2	109.3	23.5	45.5	22.6	46.9	84.3	8,075.8
May	265.7	7,950.4	17.5	5.7	18.0	191.1	71.5	24.6	52.8	29.6	60.5	125.1	8,812.4
Jun	302.8	7,539.0	56.6	7.8	24.2	215.1	113.0	26.6	31.4	17.7	63.7	102.9	8,500.8
Q2	833.1	22,740.6	105.0	17.9	55.7	585.5	293.8	74.7	129.7	69.8	171.0	312.2	25,389.0
Jul	169.6	4,373.0	27.8	5.8	30.4	175.1	95.6	24.4	62.8	16.6	39.9	98.0	5,118.9
Aug	181.5	4,547.6	30.4	6.9	16.7	170.1	119.5	26.0	73.7	26.5	34.3	82.6	5,315.7
Sep	183.2	7,660.0	31.4	6.0	15.4	178.9	108.6	28.6	70.9	21.1	69.3	101.3	8,474.8
Q3	534.3	16,580.6	89.5	18.7	62.4	524.1	323.7	79.0	207.4	64.1	143.5	281.9	18,909.3
Oct	51.9	2,964.2	28.0	4.4	49.2	165.3	135.8	31.7	78.3	27.0	36.2	86.4	3,658.6
Nov	1.1	6,727.5	30.7	6.5	17.7	181.5	68.8	32.8	92.5	31.9	33.1	110.0	7,334.1
Dec	0.6	4,764.8	23.4	4.2	11.7	54.2	60.7	16.9	67.0	26.7	25.4	100.3	5,155.8
Q4	53.7	14,456.5	82.2	15.1	78.6	401.0	265.2	81.5	237.8	85.7	94.7	296.7	16,148.5
Total_2016	2,629.6	70,780.7	424.4	67.7	243.0	2,065.9	1,146.2	302.0	719.0	280.2	529.0		80,332.1
Jan_2017	1.1	5,924.3	30.1	2.5	7.6	202.3	31.8	8.1	79.5	12.5	13.4	60.5	6,373.6
Feb	1.1	6,348.5	7.8	2.6	17.8	178.8	17.8	21.3	64.7	17.5	34.9	50.2	6,763.0
% Distribution													
2015	6.0	83.1	0.5	0.1	0.4	3.2	1.8	0.5	0.9	0.6	1.1	1.9	100.0
2016	3.3	88.1	0.5	0.1	0.3	2.6	1.4	0.4	0.9	0.3	0.7	1.4	100.0
Jan_2017	0.0	93.0	0.5	0.0	0.1	3.2	0.5	0.1	1.2	0.2	0.2	0.9	100.0
Feb_2017	0.0	93.9	0.1	0.0	0.3	2.6	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.3	0.5	0.7	100.0

Table 2.3: Diamonds Trade - January 2014 to February 2017 (Million Pula)

Flow Type Period \ HS	Imports						Total Exports					
	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan_2014	0.0	0.4	0.0	1,881.6	40.2	1,922.2	0.0	10.1	0.0	5,290.5	154.4	5,455.0
Feb	0.0	0.6	0.0	1,703.7	103.2	1,807.5	2.9	18.0	0.0	3,828.5	609.4	4,458.8
Mar	306.5	0.7	0.0	3,286.8	145.5	3,739.5	0.0	20.7	0.0	4,623.3	483.8	5,127.8
Q1	306.5	1.7	0.0	6,872.1	288.8	7,469.1	2.9	48.7	0.0	13,742.4	1,247.6	15,041.6
Apr	0.5	0.0	0.0	1,723.4	73.0	1,796.8	0.0	22.1	0.0	5,567.2	516.5	6,105.8
May	0.0	5.5	0.0	3,074.7	116.6	3,196.8	0.0	37.6	0.0	4,254.0	673.9	4,965.4
Jun	226.9	0.4	0.0	2,128.0	33.8	2,389.1	0.0	52.0	0.0	6,374.9	768.0	7,194.9
Q2	227.4	5.9	0.0	6,926.0	223.4	7,382.7	0.0	111.7	0.0	16,196.0	1,958.4	18,266.1
Jul	330.7	0.5	0.0	1,178.9	33.8	1,543.9	18.2	39.1	0.0	6,908.5	520.5	7,486.4
Aug	761.0	0.1	0.0	1,355.0	113.6	2,229.6	0.0	53.4	0.3	6,330.7	748.0	7,132.4
Sep	392.7	0.6	0.0	1,713.1	80.4	2,186.8	5.9	6.1	0.0	1,420.4	915.5	2,347.9
Q3	1,484.3	1.1	0.0	4,247.0	227.8	5,960.3	24.2	98.6	0.3	14,659.6	2,184.0	16,966.6
Oct	694.2	0.3	0.0	1,517.4	182.9	2,394.8	0.0	20.4	0.0	4,535.9	743.7	5,299.9
Nov	556.3	1.8	0.0	1,727.9	135.7	2,421.8	0.0	36.3	0.0	4,293.2	644.6	4,974.1
Dec	216.2	0.0	0.0	101.6	32.8	350.7	0.0	44.6	0.0	4,138.5	596.6	4,779.7
Q4	1,466.7	2.1	0.0	3,347.0	351.4	5,167.2	0.0	101.3	0.0	12,967.6	1,984.9	15,053.8
Total 2014	3,484.9	10.8	0.0	21,392.1	1,091.4	25,979.3	27.1	360.3	0.3	57,565.6	7,374.9	65,328.2
Jan_2015	200.4	0.3	0.0	584.7	69.8	855.2	21.7	19.5	0.0	4,639.2	180.0	4,860.4
Feb	649.9	0.4	0.0	2,315.6	104.0	3,069.9	0.8	17.5	0.0	3,647.6	565.6	4,231.5
Mar	285.5	0.4	0.2	2,328.7	78.7	2,693.5	0.0	30.4	0.3	6,908.0	446.5	7,385.2
Q1	1,135.8	1.0	0.2	5,229.0	252.6	6,618.6	22.5	67.3	0.3	15,194.8	1,192.1	16,477.1
Apr	437.0	0.2	0.0	1,419.4	44.5	1,901.2	0.0	20.1	0.0	2,385.3	317.4	2,722.8
May	240.3	0.4	0.0	2,281.5	97.3	2,619.5	0.0	31.0	0.0	7,001.3	498.4	7,530.6
Jun	263.0	1,203.8	0.1	1,838.8	93.9	3,399.6	0.0	125.9	0.0	5,796.5	442.6	6,365.0
Q2	940.3	1,204.4	0.1	5,539.7	235.8	7,920.3	0.0	176.9	0.0	15,183.1	1,258.5	16,618.5
Jul	661.0	0.0	0.0	292.9	146.6	1,100.6	49.0	18.9	0.0	3,271.9	347.4	3,687.1
Aug	245.9	0.4	0.2	2,007.4	20.0	2,273.8	0.0	4.2	0.0	1,946.0	412.0	2,362.2
Sep	616.5	0.0	0.1	1,969.6	52.2	2,638.5	0.0	15.5	0.0	3,181.0	363.1	3,559.6
Q3	1,523.4	0.4	0.3	4,269.9	218.8	6,012.9	49.0	38.6	0.0	8,398.9	1,122.4	9,608.9
Oct	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,034.5	64.0	1,098.6	0.0	31.0	0.0	3,781.2	311.0	4,123.2
Nov	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,159.6	67.2	1,226.7	0.0	7.4	0.0	1,172.2	266.6	1,446.2
Dec	0.0	0.6	0.1	2,324.2	29.7	2,354.5	83.6	5.0	0.0	4,074.4	293.4	4,456.5
Q4	0.0	0.6	0.1	4,518.2	160.9	4,679.9	83.6	43.4	0.0	9,027.8	871.1	10,025.9
Total 2015	3,599.5	1,206.5	0.7	19,556.9	868.1	25,231.6	155.2	326.2	0.3	47,804.6	4,444.0	52,730.4
Jan_2016	134.1	0.3	0.0	790.8	30.6	955.8	0.0	29.8	0.0	5,951.7	110.8	6,092.3
Feb	653.3	0.4	0.0	1,675.7	100.7	2,430.1	0.1	29.8	0.1	5,226.9	197.0	5,453.9
Mar	237.9	0.3	0.0	1,984.0	37.1	2,259.2	0.0	27.4	0.0	5,166.3	263.2	5,456.9
Q1	1,025.3	0.9	0.0	4,450.5	168.5	5,645.1	0.1	87.0	0.1	16,344.9	571.0	17,003.1
Apr	299.7	0.2	0.0	2,001.1	22.1	2,323.0	25.0	27.2	0.0	6,774.4	424.5	7,251.1
May	362.7	0.0	0.0	239.0	36.7	638.4	0.0	23.7	0.0	7,644.1	282.6	7,950.4
Jun	296.2	0.2	0.0	1,187.6	58.7	1,542.8	27.5	34.4	0.0	7,089.8	387.3	7,539.0
Q2	958.6	0.5	0.0	3,427.7	117.5	4,504.2	52.5	85.3	0.0	21,508.3	1,094.4	22,740.6
Jul	0.0	2.5	0.0	1,352.2	25.0	1,379.7	0.0	15.9	0.0	3,965.8	391.2	4,373.0
Aug	0.0	1.3	0.0	1,105.8	9.9	1,117.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	4,065.0	476.2	4,547.6
Sep	537.3	0.0	0.0	604.8	13.7	1,155.9	4.6	29.3	0.0	7,128.1	498.0	7,660.0
Q3	537.4	3.9	0.0	3,062.8	48.6	3,652.6	4.6	51.5	0.0	15,158.9	1,365.5	16,580.6
Oct	325.5	0.2	0.0	1,543.4	37.8	1,906.9	0.0	19.0	0.0	2,603.6	341.6	2,964.2
Nov	385.4	0.2	0.0	1,085.2	73.9	1,544.8	0.0	29.5	0.0	6,193.0	505.1	6,727.5
Dec	285.2	3.7	0.0	1,343.2	19.3	1,651.4	30.9	10.3	0.0	4,206.3	517.2	4,764.8
Q4	996.1	4.1	0.0	3,971.9	131.0	5,103.0	30.9	58.8	0.0	13,002.9	1,364.0	14,456.5
Total 2016	3,517.2	9.3	0.0	14,912.8	465.6	18,905.0	88.1	282.6	0.1	66,015.0	4,394.9	70,780.7
Jan_2017	538.2	0.0	0.0	196.9	36.7	771.8	0.0	24.2	0.0	5,778.2	121.9	5,924.3
Feb	0.0	0.1	0.0	884.6	17.6	902.3	6.6	20.6	0.0	5,997.4	323.9	6,348.5

Note: 71021000:Unsorted diamonds
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

3.1A: Total Imports by Region, Partner and Principal Commodity Groups –February 2017 (Million Pula)

Partner\HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total
South Africa	350.4	348.3	546.3	595.5	52.1	449.2	210.5	43.1	141.5	222.2	115.9	112.6	3,187.4
Namibia	0.2	454.9	5.8	14.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.6	0.0	5.6	0.2	1.0	482.6
Swaziland	1.7	0.0	4.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	6.8
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
SACU	352.3	803.1	556.5	609.7	52.1	449.3	210.5	43.7	142.4	227.8	116.2	113.7	3,677.3
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	0.1	40.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	40.3
Zimbabwe	0.4	0.0	7.5	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.1	3.7	0.3	12.9
Malawi	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9
Other SADC	0.5	0.0	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.7	12.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	17.6
SADC	353.2	803.1	569.1	650.1	52.1	450.3	223.0	43.8	142.5	227.9	120.0	114.7	3,749.9
Other Africa	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.4
Africa	353.3	803.1	569.2	650.1	52.1	450.3	223.0	43.8	142.6	227.9	120.1	114.7	3,750.3
Germany	5.5	0.0	4.4	0.0	0.0	26.6	3.7	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	1.5	42.2
UK	1.9	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.1	12.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	5.3	2.2	0.5	24.4
Belgium	0.7	35.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	36.9
France	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	0.0	1.4	10.4
Netherlands	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	9.3
Sweden	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.3	1.1
Italy	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.6	1.1
Poland	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
Other EU	7.3	0.0	4.4	0.0	0.0	27.7	3.8	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.5	14.1	59.0
EU	15.0	35.2	6.6	0.0	0.1	50.2	4.1	0.0	0.7	9.1	3.2	17.9	142.2
China	3.9	0.0	0.8	0.0	2.2	52.3	6.0	0.0	2.6	1.8	0.3	4.2	74.3
India	18.9	22.9	0.3	0.0	0.2	2.4	1.6	0.0	0.7	1.1	0.4	4.1	52.7
UAE	0.1	7.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.4	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	19.4
Hong Kong	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.9	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.4	16.4
Korea	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.1	0.6	0.0	0.3	1.8	0.0	0.0	14.9
Singapore	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	11.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.2	12.8
Japan	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.1	0.0	0.0	11.6
Israel	0.0	7.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	11.6
Malaysia	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.7
Other Asia	1.0	18.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	8.9	0.4	0.0	0.2	14.0	0.0	0.0	43.5
Asia	27.5	55.2	2.2	0.0	3.6	117.4	9.4	0.0	3.9	31.1	1.2	9.4	260.9
USA	2.3	5.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	8.1	3.7	0.0	0.2	4.2	0.3	4.1	28.3
Canada	0.5	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	9.2	15.7
Switzerland	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	4.8
Others	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.1	1.7
Total Imports	398.8	902.3	578.3	650.1	56.6	631.9	240.2	43.8	148.6	272.4	125.2	155.6	4,203.8

Table 3.1B: Principal Imports Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Imports at Country or Region Level- February 2017 (Million Pula)

Partner\HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total
South Africa	11.0	10.9	17.1	18.7	1.6	14.1	6.6	1.4	4.4	7.0	3.6	3.5	100.0
Namibia	0.0	94.3	1.2	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.2	100.0
Swaziland	24.5	0.0	66.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.0	2.5	1.8	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
SACU	9.6	21.8	15.1	16.6	1.4	12.2	5.7	1.2	3.9	6.2	3.2	3.1	100.0
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	0.3	99.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Zimbabwe	3.4	0.0	58.1	1.6	0.1	1.8	1.7	0.0	1.2	0.6	29.0	2.6	100.0
Malawi	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
Other SADC	3.0	0.0	18.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	69.9	0.8	0.1	0.0	0.3	3.6	100.0
SADC	9.4	21.4	15.2	17.3	1.4	12.0	5.9	1.2	3.8	6.1	3.2	3.1	100.0
Other Africa	24.4	0.0	11.8	0.0	0.0	5.5	1.6	0.0	16.2	0.0	29.6	10.9	100.0
Africa	9.4	21.4	15.2	17.3	1.4	12.0	5.9	1.2	3.8	6.1	3.2	3.1	100.0
Germany	13.0	0.0	10.5	0.0	0.0	63.1	8.8	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.1	3.5	100.0
UK	7.7	0.0	8.6	0.0	0.2	49.5	0.8	0.0	0.4	21.9	9.0	2.0	100.0
Belgium	1.9	95.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.1	100.0
France	30.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	25.8	0.1	13.4	100.0
Netherlands	20.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	68.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	10.9	100.0
Sweden	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.8	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	51.4	28.5	100.0
Italy	0.2	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	19.6	12.0	0.0	8.6	0.0	0.0	57.1	100.0
Poland	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	98.6	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	12.4	0.0	7.5	0.0	0.0	46.9	6.4	0.0	0.9	1.1	0.8	23.9	100.0
EU	10.6	24.8	4.6	0.0	0.0	35.3	2.9	0.0	0.5	6.4	2.3	12.6	100.0
China	5.3	0.0	1.1	0.0	3.0	70.5	8.1	0.0	3.5	2.4	0.5	5.7	100.0
India	35.9	43.5	0.6	0.0	0.4	4.5	3.0	0.0	1.4	2.1	0.8	7.9	100.0
UAE	0.7	37.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	58.7	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	1.0	100.0
Hong Kong	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	90.9	1.7	0.0	0.4	0.0	2.3	2.6	100.0
Korea	7.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	74.3	3.8	0.0	2.2	11.9	0.0	0.1	100.0
Singapore	0.2	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	86.3	0.1	0.0	0.2	10.5	0.0	1.6	100.0
Japan	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	95.7	0.0	0.0	100.0
Israel	0.0	61.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	37.1	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	100.0
Malaysia	51.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	31.9	16.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0
Other Asia	2.3	41.5	2.2	0.0	0.0	20.6	0.9	0.0	0.4	32.1	0.0	0.1	100.0
Asia	10.5	21.2	0.9	0.0	1.4	45.0	3.6	0.0	1.5	11.9	0.4	3.6	100.0
USA	8.1	18.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	28.7	13.0	0.0	0.8	14.8	1.2	14.4	100.0
Canada	3.4	22.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.8	0.0	0.0	7.2	0.0	0.0	58.7	100.0
Switzerland	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.8	73.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	4.9	100.0
Others	0.3	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.3	63.0	1.6	0.0	1.7	6.3	18.9	4.8	100.0
Total Imports	9.5	21.5	13.8	15.5	1.3	15.0	5.7	1.0	3.5	6.5	3.0	3.7	100.0

Table 3.2A: Total Exports by Region, Partner and Principal Commodity Groups – February 2017 (Million Pula)

Partner\HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron Steel & Related Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total
South Africa	1.1	93.7	0.0	2.3	9.8	157.1	17.8	19.7	55.5	15.0	22.0	27.2	421.1
Namibia	0.0	254.8	0.0	0.0	0.7	5.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.3	5.8	4.5	271.7
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2
SACU	1.1	348.4	0.0	2.3	10.5	162.5	17.8	19.8	55.5	15.3	27.8	32.0	693.1
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	1.1	0.0	0.8	3.7	1.6	2.8	5.7	20.6
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	5.5	0.0	0.4	4.8	0.4	2.3	4.0	19.6
DRC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	1.1	2.1
Angola	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.9	1.2
Malawi	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	1.1
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.7	1.7
SADC	1.1	348.4	0.0	2.3	17.8	170.2	17.8	21.3	64.7	17.3	34.0	44.3	739.4
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.7
Africa	1.1	348.4	0.0	2.3	17.8	170.2	17.8	21.3	64.7	17.3	34.1	44.9	740.0
Belgium	0.0	1,474.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,474.3
UK	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	1.0
Netherlands	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	8.1
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
EU	0.0	1,474.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.8	1,483.5
UAE	0.0	2,146.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,146.1
India	0.0	855.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	856.1
Israel	0.0	628.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	628.0
Singapore	0.0	455.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	455.6
Hong Kong	0.0	123.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	123.3
China	0.0	27.5	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	28.3
Viet-Nam	0.0	25.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.3
Japan	0.0	21.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	21.5
Thailand	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4
Other Asia	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
Asia	0.0	4,285.9	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	1.1	4,287.6
Canada	0.0	126.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	127.0
USA	0.0	73.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	74.3
Switzerland	0.0	39.5	7.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	47.3
Others	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	3.4
Total	1.1	6,348.5	7.8	2.6	17.8	178.8	17.8	21.3	64.7	17.5	34.9	50.2	6,763.0

Table 3.2B: Principal Exports Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Exports at Country or Region Level- February 2017 (Million Pula)

Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron Steel & Related Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total
South Africa	0.3	22.2	0.0	0.5	2.3	37.3	4.2	4.7	13.2	3.6	5.2	6.5	100.0
Namibia	0.0	93.8	0.0	0.0	0.3	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	2.1	1.6	100.0
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.6	94.4	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	5.6	0.0	7.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	86.0	100.0
SACU	0.2	50.3	0.0	0.3	1.5	23.4	2.6	2.9	8.0	2.2	4.0	4.6	100.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	24.1	5.2	0.0	3.7	18.0	7.6	13.4	27.9	100.0
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.3	28.3	0.0	2.1	24.4	1.8	11.8	20.3	100.0
DRC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	16.6	0.0	0.0	12.9	1.1	10.0	54.1	100.0
Angola	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.6	69.5	100.0
Malawi	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	36.6	0.0	26.2	0.0	1.4	35.8	0.0	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	5.7	0.0	1.3	26.1	0.1	25.4	39.7	100.0
SADC	0.1	47.1	0.0	0.3	2.4	23.0	2.4	2.9	8.8	2.3	4.6	6.0	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	15.1	84.8	100.0
Africa	0.1	47.1	0.0	0.3	2.4	23.0	2.4	2.9	8.7	2.3	4.6	6.1	100.0
Belgium	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
UK	0.0	26.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	2.9	70.1	100.0
Netherlands	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	92.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.8	0.0	100.0
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.1	0.0	57.7	100.0
EU	0.0	99.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
UAE	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
India	0.0	99.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
Israel	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Singapore	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Hong Kong	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
China	0.0	97.3	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	100.0
Viet-Nam	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
Japan	0.0	98.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.3	0.0	100.0
Thailand	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Asia	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
Canada	0.0	99.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
USA	0.0	98.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	100.0
Switzerland	0.0	83.6	16.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Others	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	88.5	100.0
Total	0.0	93.9	0.1	0.0	0.3	2.6	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.3	0.5	0.7	100.0

6.0 TECHNICAL NOTES

IMTS are compiled by the International Merchandise Trade Statistics Section of Statistics Botswana. 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 computerized and manual borders, and the monthly raw data files are transferred to Statistics Botswana for data processing.

Until the April 2009 Monthly Digest, Botswana was practicing Relaxed Special Trade Type. The Relaxed Special Trade Type takes into account goods that are exported or imported for inward or outward customs processing while the Strict Special Trade Type does not include the same. Strict Special Trade Type comprises imports for home consumption, permanent exports, re-exports and goods cleared out of warehouse (ex-warehouse) only.

In June 2009, the Botswana External Trade Database was revised to cater for General Trade Type as per the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) recommendations. The General Trade Type gives complete coverage of external trade as compared to the Special Trade Type. As a result of this, trade reported in the monthly digests for May 2009 onwards is based on the General Trade Type.

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.

6.1 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.

6.2 Concepts and Definitions

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.

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.

Total exports: This is the sum of domestic exports and re-exports

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.

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.

6.3 Treatment of Diamonds from Aggregation Process

In July 2012, the Diamond Trading Company International which was undertaking aggregation of diamonds relocated from the United Kingdom to Botswana. This meant that the process of aggregation of diamonds was now to be done in Botswana. Following the relocation, initially it was not clear how this trade was to be recorded as there was no prior common understanding of the processes involved between all the relevant parties. After thorough discussions with key stakeholders, Statistics Botswana decided to record this trade as imports for processing and that export of the same after aggregation be recorded as direct permanent exports. This was based on **IMTS 2010 Compilers' Manual (Page 225)** and **IMTS 2010 Concepts & Definitions; Page 16; Paragraph 1.20** concept that mixing of goods of different qualities to produce goods of a new quality is part of processing in compilation of IMTS.

6.3.1 Sorting out Diamonds imports

These imports will mainly be from Canada, Namibia and South Africa. Some of these may include diamonds that were originally bought from Botswana and are now being sold back to Botswana. The original declaration will not indicate whether the consignment is a mixture of diamonds from various countries. However, a follow-up document, referred to as "**attached document**" will show a disaggregation of these imports according to the various countries that contributed to the consignment.

- I. In case the consignment was from one country, this will be recorded as imports into Botswana from that particular country
- II. In case the consignment was from various countries, the recording of these imports will be according to the various countries that contributed to the consignment
- III. If part of the consignment was originally from Botswana, that part is recorded as re-import and will form part of total imports.

6.3.2 Sorting out Diamonds exports

These exports will be from the aggregation process and will consist of exports of Botswana origin and exports of diamonds that were originally imported. The original declaration will give an aggregated export which will be a consignment bought by an individual trader. This consignment will consist of diamonds of the same colour, shape and size but originating from various countries. The "**attached document**", giving a disaggregation of the consignment in value and carats by countries that contributed, will be used to record trade accordingly. As per IMTS 2010 Concepts & Definitions, goods resulting from processing are to be included in merchandise trade at their full value and as direct permanent exports (Domestic exports) in case they are exported (**IMTS Concepts & Definitions; page 16, paragraph 1.20**). As a result of this, diamonds that originated from outside Botswana as well as those originating from Botswana are recorded as direct permanent exports or domestic exports.

Both diamonds originating from Botswana and those that originated from elsewhere have always been recorded under Domestic Exports.

Values for diamonds that originated from elsewhere can be provided separately if needed.

6.4 Exclusions from IMTS

• Goods in Transit

This is trade that is simply passing through the compiling country solely for the purpose of being transported to another country

• 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.

- **Monetary Gold**

This is gold to which the monetary authorities have title and is held as reserve assets.

- **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.