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Preface

This statistical brief is intended to apprise on Electricity Generation, Importation and Distribution by presenting Monthly, Quarterly and Yearly Volumes as well as Indices for Electricity Generation in Botswana. Also included are Year-on-Year and Quarter-on-Quarter Percentage Changes in Indices of Electricity Generation from 2009 to the third quarter of 2019. In subsequent sections of this report, emphasis will be on the third quarter of 2019, compared to the second quarter in 2019, and the corresponding quarter in 2018. This report uses 2013 as the base year.

The Index of Electricity Generation (IEG) stood at 111.3 during the third quarter of 2019, reflecting a year-on-year decrease of 39.6 percent compared to 184.3 recorded during the corresponding quarter in 2018. The quarter-on-quarter comparison shows an increase of 16.0 percent, from 96.0 during the second quarter of 2019 to 111.3 during the current quarter.

Statistics Botswana is mandated to compile data on industrial production in Botswana, hence electricity indices are only confined to electricity generated locally. However, importation and distribution volumes, and their percentage changes will be included as well. This is intended to indicate Botswana's progress over time, towards generating adequate electricity to meet her demand. The data used on this brief is sourced from the Botswana Power Corporation.

The release further shows changes in the volume of electricity generation in a given period against the base year (2013), and hence provides a reflection of the trend in the local electricity sector.

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1.0 Summary of Findings of the Index of Electricity Generation (IEG)

All figures in this report are not seasonally adjusted.

Summary key indicators of Electricity Generation from the first quarter of 2013 to the third quarter of 2019 are presented on Table 1.

During the third quarter of 2019, the Index of Electricity Generation (IEG) stood at 111.3, reflecting a decrease of 39.6 percent compared to 184.3 during the corresponding quarter of the previous year. The quarter-on-quarter comparison shows an increase of 16.0 percent, from index of 96.0 during the second of 2019 to the index of 111.3 during the quarter under review.

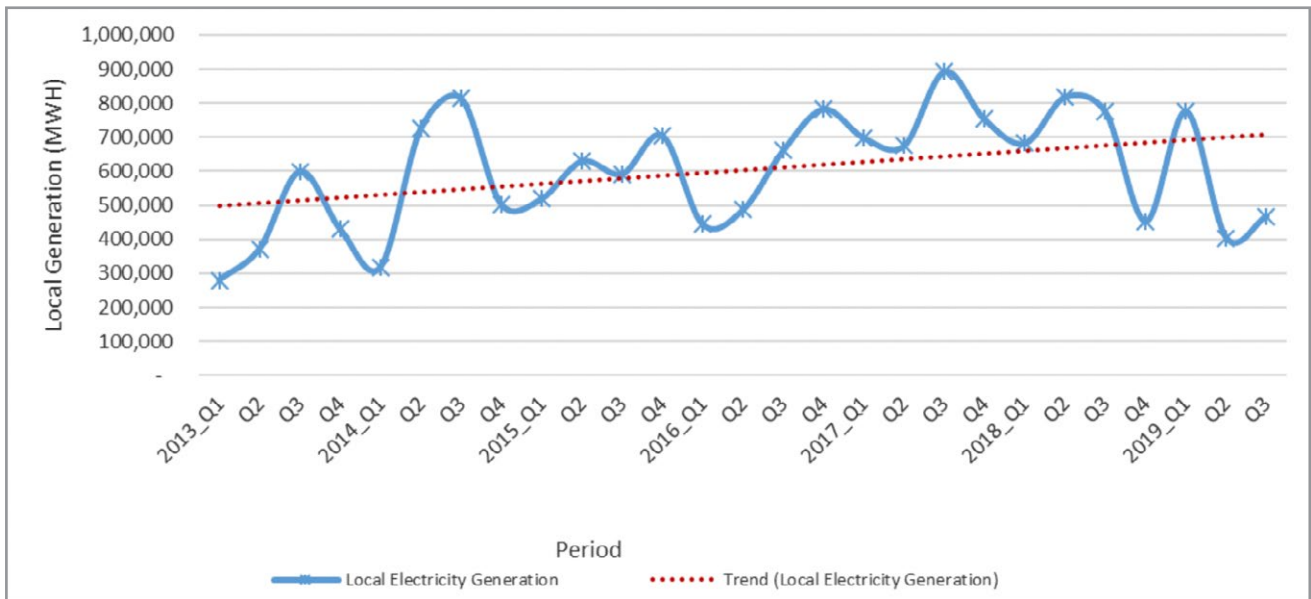
**Table 1: Selected Key Indicators of Electricity Generation:
2013 First Quarter to 2019 Second Quarter**

Period	Index of the Physical Volume of Electricity Generation	Year-on-Year Percentage Change	Quarter-on-Quarter Percentage Change
2013_Q1	66.5	151.4	0.0
Q2	88.5	202.8	33.1
Q3	142.7	216.7	61.3
Q4	102.3	53.8	(28.3)
2014_Q1	75.5	13.4	(26.2)
Q2	172.6	95.1	128.6
Q3	194.2	36.1	12.6
Q4	119.6	16.9	(38.4)
2015_Q1	123.4	63.5	3.2
Q2	149.9	(13.2)	21.4
Q3	140.8	(27.5)	(6.0)
Q4	167.8	40.2	19.2
2016_Q1	105.5	(14.5)	(37.1)
Q2	115.7	(22.8)	9.7
Q3	157.3	11.7	36.0
Q4	186.3	11.1	18.4
2017_Q1	166.1	57.4	(10.8)
Q2	160.6	38.8	(3.4)
Q3	212.6	35.2	32.4
Q4	179.1	(3.9)	(15.8)
2018_Q1	162.3	(2.3)	(9.4)
Q2	195.0	21.4	20.1
Q3	184.3	(13.3)	(5.5)
Q4	107.7	(39.8)	(41.5)
2019_Q1	184.8	13.8	71.5
Q2	96.0	(50.8)	(48.0)
Q3	111.3	(39.6)	16.0

Note: 1. () Indicates negative figures

Figure 1 presents the trend of the Index of Electricity Generation from the first quarter of 2013 to the third quarter of 2019. Although it depicts fluctuations, local generation has been growing steadily over time.

Figure 1: Index of Electricity Generation: 2013 First Quarter to 2019 Third Quarter



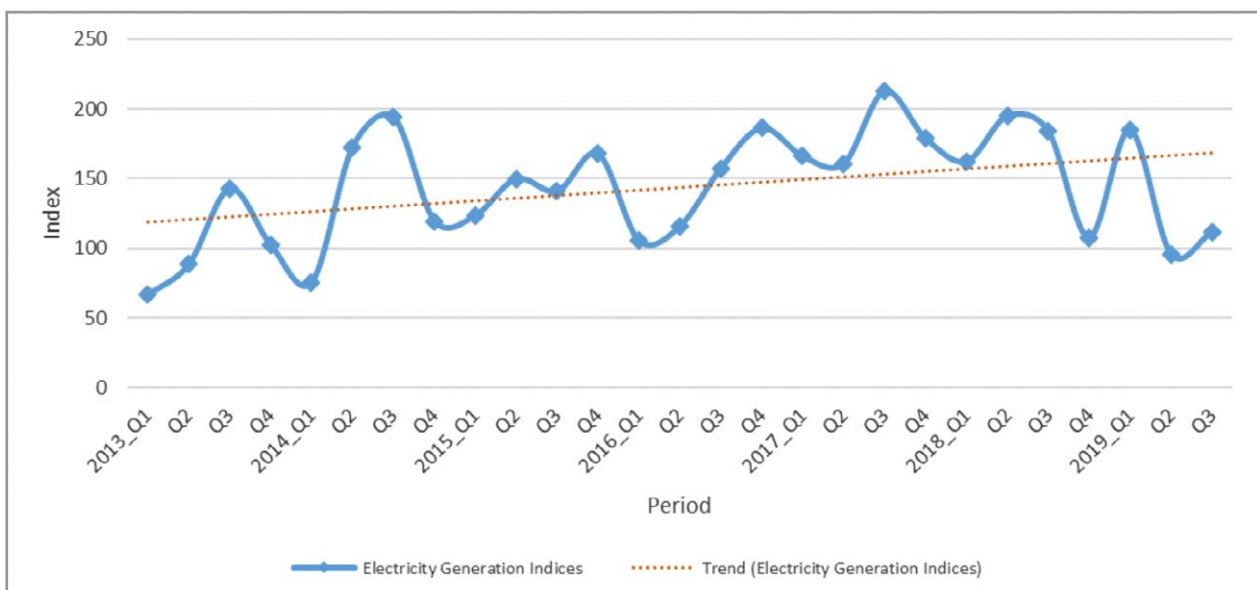
1.1 Electricity Generation

This Sub-Section discusses the physical volume of electricity generated locally as presented in **Table 2**. The table forms the basis for computation of indices of electricity generation presented in **Table 3**. The Year-on-Year and Quarter-on-Quarter percentage changes in the volume of electricity generated are presented in **Table 4** and **Table 5**, covering the period 2009 to 2019 third quarter.

The physical volume of electricity generated decreased by 39.6 percent, from 774,822 MWH during the third quarter of 2018 to 467,974 MWH during the current quarter. The quarter-on-quarter perspective shows that local electricity generation increased by 16.0 percent from 403, 576 MWH during the second quarter of 2019 to 467, 974 MWH during the period under review.

The 16.0 percent increase emanates from improved performance of power generators at the Morupule B power station during the current quarter.

Figure 2: Physical Volume of Generated Electricity (MWH): 2013 First Quarter to 2019 Third Quarter



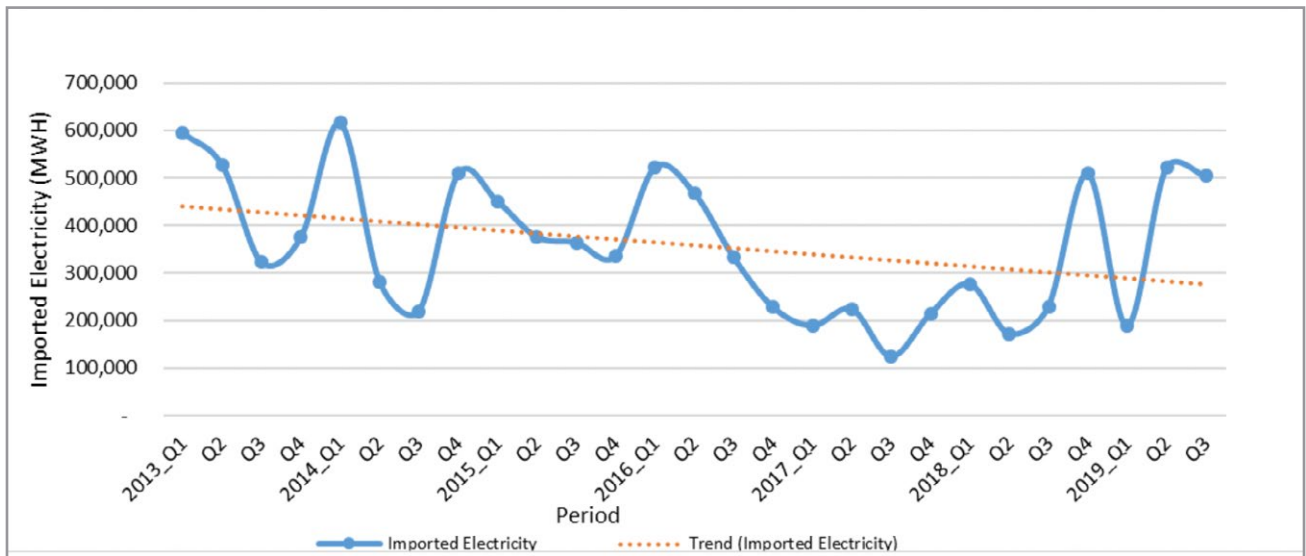
1.2 Imported Electricity

The discussions in this section are based on [Table 6](#), and [Table 7](#) as well as [Figure 3](#).

The physical volume of imported electricity increased by 119.7 percent (274,688 MWH), from 229,427 MWH during the third quarter of 2018 to 504,115 MWH during the current quarter.

The quarter-on-quarter comparison shows a decrease of 3.4 percent (17,906 MWH), from 522,021 MWH during the second quarter of 2019 to 504,115 MWH during the period under review. This decrease in imported electricity is attributed to improvement in local generation (see [Table 2](#)).

Figure 3: Physical Volume of Imported Electricity (MWH): 2013 First Quarter to 2019 Third Quarter



As illustrated in [Figure 3](#), generally, importation of electricity shows a downward trend, owing to the government's efforts to generate adequate electricity to meet domestic demand and reduce reliance on imports.

In view of the above, Eskom was the main source of imported electricity at 58.5 percent of total electricity imports. Electricidade de Mozambique supplied 20.7 percent while 14.9 percent, 4.5 percent and 1.4 percent were sourced from the Southern African Power Pool (SAPP), Cross-border markets and Nampower respectively.

1.3 Distribution of Electricity

The section combines the local generation and imported electricity to come up with electricity that is available for distribution in Botswana. This does not take into account electricity used for auxiliary services, pumping, network losses as well as production of electricity through incineration of waste. The computation of electricity distribution is guided by the International Recommendations for Industrial Statistics (IRIS) 2008. [Tables 8, 9](#) and [10](#) form the basis for discussion under this subsection.

[Table 8](#) shows the physical volume of electricity distributed from 2009 to the third quarter of 2019, while [Table 9](#) presents annual percentage changes in the volume of electricity distributed from 2009 to the third quarter of 2019. These tables can also be used as guidance with regard to whether electricity distributed is improving over time, thereby indicating that there are ongoing efforts to meet the domestic demand.

Comparison of electricity distributed during the reference period and third quarter of 2018 shows a decrease of 3.2 percent (32,160 MWH), from 1,004,249 MWH during the third quarter of 2018 to 972,090 MWH recorded during the current quarter.

From a quarter-on-quarter perspective, distributed electricity shows an increase of 5.0 percent (46,492 MWH) when the period under review is compared to the preceding quarter (second quarter of 2019).

1.3.1 Contribution of Electricity Generation to Distribution

Electricity generation given as a percentage of electricity distributed is of paramount importance in assessing whether local generation is improving overtime to reduce reliance on imported electricity. This information is displayed in **Table 10**.

It can be observed from **Table 10** that electricity generated locally contributed 48.1 percent to electricity distributed during the third quarter of 2019, compared to a contribution of 77.2 percent during the same quarter in 2018. This gives a decrease of 29.1 percentage points.

On the other hand, a quarter-on-quarter comparison shows that the contribution of electricity generated to electricity distributed during the current quarter increased by 4.5 percentage points compared to the 43.6 percent contribution of locally generated electricity during the second quarter of 2019.

Table 2: Physical Volume of Electricity Generation (MWH): January 2009 – September 2019

Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
January	33,922	44,442	39,195	26,574	110,960	137,802	158,907	206,381	245,598	209,333	272,140
February	37,890	38,641	32,847	16,938	80,410	77,067	180,520	127,975	216,264	227,955	235,908
March	46,413	55,401	20,079	67,761	88,358	102,377	179,400	109,272	236,589	245,092	268,605
April	38,987	40,872	29,593	34,069	94,011	151,675	195,568	112,765	195,703	210,965	163,206
May	49,464	41,943	15,762	39,826	140,454	252,235	206,905	179,837	205,705	310,500	125,266
June	20,132	30,676	23,045	48,928	137,414	321,453	227,503	193,586	273,639	298,291	115,104
July	38,103	33,156	27,814	81,013	158,120	318,627	240,314	213,841	311,655	293,739	125,091
August	48,795	39,594	24,536	11,205	223,420	296,036	177,052	219,402	315,552	289,885	152,822
September	36,522	35,177	21,063	97,177	218,222	201,802	174,617	228,002	266,623	191,199	190,061
October	32,361	37,746	27,166	77,236	32,183	71,243	301,913	299,945	234,090	73,018	-
November	26,443	20,894	23,044	113,384	203,228	244,723	213,798	213,303	296,547	121,910	-
December	34,885	38,430	19,231	89,101	194,717	186,915	189,490	269,893	222,240	258,009	-
Q1	118,225	138,485	92,120	111,274	279,728	317,245	518,828	443,628	698,451	682,380	776,653
Q2	108,584	113,491	68,400	122,823	371,879	725,363	629,976	486,188	675,047	819,755	403,576
Q3	123,420	107,927	73,413	189,395	599,762	816,465	591,983	661,245	893,831	774,822	467,974
Q4	93,689	97,070	69,441	279,721	430,128	502,881	705,201	783,141	752,887	452,938	-
TOTAL	443,918	456,972	303,374	703,213	1,681,497	2,361,954	2,445,988	2,374,202	3,020,206	2,729,895	1,648,203

Note:

1. - Indicates data is not available
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Table 3: Indices of Physical Volume of Electricity Generation: January 2009 – September 2019

Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
Jan	24.2	31.7	28.0	19.0	79.2	98.3	113.4	147.3	175.3	149.4	194.2
Feb	27.0	27.6	23.4	12.1	57.4	55.0	128.8	91.3	154.3	162.7	168.4
March	33.1	39.5	14.3	48.4	63.1	73.1	128.0	78.0	168.8	174.9	191.7
April	27.8	29.2	21.1	24.3	67.1	108.2	139.6	80.5	139.7	150.6	116.5
May	35.3	29.9	11.2	28.4	100.2	180.0	147.7	128.3	146.8	221.6	89.4
June	14.4	21.9	16.4	34.9	98.1	229.4	162.4	138.2	195.3	212.9	82.1
July	27.2	23.7	19.8	57.8	112.8	227.4	171.5	152.6	222.4	209.6	89.3
August	34.8	28.3	17.5	8.0	159.4	211.3	126.4	156.6	225.2	206.9	109.1
September	26.1	25.1	15.0	69.4	155.7	144.0	124.6	162.7	190.3	136.4	135.6
October	23.1	26.9	19.4	55.1	23.0	50.8	215.5	214.1	167.1	52.1	-
November	18.9	14.9	16.4	80.9	145.0	174.6	152.6	152.2	211.6	87.0	-
December	24.9	27.4	13.7	63.6	139.0	133.4	135.2	192.6	158.6	184.1	-
Q1	28.1	32.9	21.9	26.5	66.5	75.5	123.4	105.5	166.1	162.3	184.8
Q2	25.8	27.0	16.3	29.2	88.5	172.6	149.9	115.7	160.6	195.0	96.0
Q3	29.4	25.7	17.5	45.1	142.7	194.2	140.8	157.3	212.6	184.3	111.3
Q4	22.3	23.1	16.5	66.5	102.3	119.6	167.8	186.3	179.1	107.7	-
TOTAL	26.4	27.2	18.0	41.8	100.0	140.5	145.5	141.2	179.6	162.3	-

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Table 4: Annual Percentage Changes in the Indices of the Physical Volume of Electricity Generation: January 2009 – September 2019

Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
Jan	(37.1)	31.0	(11.8)	(32.2)	317.5	24.2	15.3	29.9	19.0	(14.8)	30.0
Feb	(23.8)	2.0	(15.0)	(48.4)	374.7	(4.2)	134.2	(29.1)	69.0	5.4	3.5
March	(9.1)	19.4	(63.8)	237.5	30.4	15.9	75.2	(39.1)	116.5	3.6	9.6
April	(20.9)	4.8	(27.6)	15.1	175.9	61.3	28.9	(42.3)	73.5	7.8	(22.6)
May	(19.6)	(15.2)	(62.4)	152.7	252.7	79.6	(18.0)	(13.1)	14.4	50.9	(59.7)
June	(65.5)	52.4	(24.9)	152.7	180.9	133.9	(29.2)	(14.9)	41.4	9.0	(61.4)
July	(30.2)	(13.0)	(16.1)	152.7	95.2	101.5	(24.6)	(11.0)	45.7	(5.7)	(57.4)
August	3.2	(18.9)	(38.0)	152.7	1,893.9	32.5	(40.2)	23.9	43.8	(8.1)	(47.3)
September	(8.4)	(3.7)	(40.1)	152.7	124.6	(7.5)	(13.5)	30.6	16.9	(28.3)	(0.6)
October	(24.2)	16.6	(28.0)	152.7	(58.3)	121.4	323.8	(0.7)	(22.0)	(68.8)	-
November	(34.5)	(21.0)	10.3	152.7	79.2	20.4	(12.6)	(0.2)	39.0	(58.9)	-
December	(9.5)	10.2	(50.0)	152.7	118.5	(4.0)	1.4	42.4	(17.7)	16.1	-
Q1	(23.6)	17.1	(33.5)	20.8	151.4	13.4	63.5	(14.5)	57.4	(2.3)	13.8
Q2	(35.8)	4.5	(39.7)	79.6	202.8	95.1	(13.2)	(22.8)	38.8	21.4	(50.8)
Q3	(12.9)	(12.6)	(32.0)	158.0	216.7	94.2	(27.5)	11.7	35.2	(13.3)	(39.6)
Q4	(22.9)	3.6	(28.5)	302.8	53.8	16.9	40.2	11.1	(3.9)	(39.8)	-
TOTAL	(24.4)	2.9	(33.6)	131.8	139.1	40.5	3.6	(2.9)	27.2	(9.6)	-

Note:

1. () Denotes negative numbers
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Table 5: Quarter-on-Quarter Percentage Changes: 2009 – September 2019

Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
Q1	(2.8)	47.8	(5.1)	60.2	-	(26.2)	3.2	(37.1)	(10.8)	(9.4)	71.5
Q2	(8.2)	(18.0)	(25.7)	10.4	32.9	128.6	21.4	9.6	(3.4)	20.1	(48.0)
Q3	14.0	(4.8)	7.3	54.2	61.3	12.6	(6.0)	36.0	32.4	(5.5)	16.0
Q4	(24.1)	(10.1)	(5.4)	47.7	(28.3)	(38.4)	19.1	18.4	(15.8)	(41.5)	-

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Table 6: Physical Volume of Imported Electricity MWH: January 2009 – September 2019

Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
Jan	201,994	236,110	243,795	272,338	193,786	192,251	184,564	140,172	57,679	124,148	54,922
Feb	188,165	219,836	229,027	274,079	185,022	216,031	113,430	166,303	56,951	77,257	66,228
March	203,111	250,756	269,723	249,777	216,621	207,923	153,098	217,261	74,422	75,865	67,915
April	205,743	234,466	256,694	253,390	206,965	162,767	129,605	196,075	88,783	94,226	139,549
May	223,094	280,917	277,975	271,135	169,159	85,246	129,487	138,677	92,379	39,052	188,760
June	267,277	275,405	279,130	275,063	151,442	33,474	117,155	134,100	43,156	39,179	193,713
July	270,073	276,165	275,387	245,151	161,866	39,365	99,695	110,932	34,746	55,772	196,021
August	220,243	259,190	268,187	296,226	82,084	48,497	132,541	119,340	35,332	45,131	187,294
September	247,990	248,636	256,871	200,082	78,365	132,060	132,191	103,083	54,534	128,524	120,800
October	263,707	266,963	264,952	240,631	123,785	266,785	59,516	57,653	83,734	249,015	-
November	262,763	271,584	274,539	209,811	123,785	96,415	115,763	116,517	36,094	200,025	-
December	238,572	268,052	272,789	212,114	128,060	147,112	160,652	54,373	94,307	61,258	-
Q1	593,269	706,702	742,544	796,194	595,429	616,206	451,092	523,736	189,052	277,270	189,065
Q2	696,114	790,788	813,799	799,587	527,566	281,487	376,248	468,852	224,318	172,457	522,021
Q3	738,305	783,991	800,444	741,459	322,315	219,922	364,427	333,355	124,612	229,427	504,115
Q4	765,042	806,599	812,281	662,556	375,630	510,311	335,931	228,543	214,135	510,298	-
TOTAL	2,792,730	3,088,080	3,169,068	2,999,797	1,820,940	1,627,926	1,527,697	1,554,486	752,117	1,189,452	1,215,202

Note:

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Table 7: Annual Percentage Changes in the Physical Volume of Imported Electricity: January 2009 – September 2019

Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
Jan	(4.0)	16.9	3.3	11.7	(28.8)	(0.8)	(4.0)	(24.1)	(58.9)	115.2	(55.8)
Feb	(11.7)	16.8	4.2	19.7	(32.5)	16.8	(47.5)	46.6	(65.8)	35.7	(14.3)
March	(10.6)	23.5	7.6	(7.4)	(13.3)	(4.0)	(26.4)	41.9	(65.7)	1.9	(10.5)
April	(1.9)	14.0	9.5	(1.3)	(18.3)	(21.4)	(20.4)	51.3	(54.7)	6.1	48.1
May	4.0	25.9	(1.0)	(2.5)	(37.6)	(49.6)	51.9	7.1	(33.4)	(57.7)	383.4
June	23.6	3.0	1.4	(1.5)	(44.9)	(77.9)	250.0	14.5	(67.8)	(9.2)	394.4
July	9.8	2.3	(0.3)	(11.0)	(34.0)		153.3	11.3	(68.7)	60.5	251.5
August	(10.8)	17.7	3.5	10.5	(72.3)	(40.9)	173.3	(10.0)	(70.4)	27.7	315.0
September	6.0	0.3	3.3	(22.1)	(60.8)	68.5	0.1	(22.0)	(47.1)	135.7	(6.0)
October	6.6	1.2	(0.8)	(9.2)	(48.6)	115.5	(77.7)	(3.1)	45.2	197.4	-
November	9.8	3.4	1.1	(23.6)	(41.0)	(22.1)	20.1	0.7	(69.0)	454.2	-
December	6.9	12.4	1.8	(22.2)	(39.6)	14.9	9.2	(66.2)	73.4	(35.0)	-
Q1	(8.8)	19.1	5.1	7.2	(25.2)	3.5	(26.8)	16.1	(63.9)	46.7	(31.8)
Q2	8.7	13.6	2.9	(1.7)	(34.0)	(46.6)	33.7	24.6	(52.2)	(23.1)	202.7
Q3	1.6	6.2	2.1	(7.4)	(56.5)	(31.8)	65.7	(8.5)	(62.6)	84.1	119.7
Q4	7.8	5.4	0.7	(18.4)	(43.3)	35.9	(34.2)	(32.0)	(6.3)	138.3	-
TOTAL	2.4	10.6	2.6	(5.3)	(39.3)	(10.6)	(6.2)	1.8	(51.6)	76.9	-

Note:

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Table 8: Physical Volume of Electricity Distribution (MWH): January 2009 – September 2019

Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
January	235,916	280,552	282,990	298,912	304,746	330,053	343,471	346,553	303,277	333,481	327,062
February	226,055	258,477	261,873	291,017	265,432	293,098	293,950	294,278	273,215	305,212	302,136
March	249,524	306,157	289,801	317,538	304,979	310,300	332,498	326,533	311,011	320,957	336,520
April	244,730	275,338	286,287	287,459	300,976	314,442	325,173	308,840	284,486	305,191	302,755
May	272,558	322,860	293,737	310,961	309,613	337,481	336,392	318,514	298,084	349,552	314,026
June	287,410	306,081	302,176	323,990	288,856	354,927	344,658	327,686	316,795	337,470	308,817
July	308,176	309,321	303,201	326,165	319,986	357,992	340,009	324,773	346,401	349,511	321,112
August	269,037	298,784	292,723	307,431	305,504	344,533	309,593	338,742	350,884	335,016	340,116
September	284,512	283,813	277,934	297,258	296,587	333,861	306,808	331,085	321,157	319,722	310,861
October	296,067	304,709	292,118	317,867	155,968	338,027	361,429	357,598	317,824	322,033	-
November	289,206	292,478	297,584	323,195	327,013	341,138	329,561	329,820	332,641	321,935	-
December	273,458	306,482	292,020	301,215	322,777	334,027	350,142	324,266	316,547	319,267	-
Q1	711,494	845,186	834,665	907,468	875,157	933,451	969,920	967,364	887,503	959,650	965,718
Q2	804,698	904,279	882,199	922,411	899,445	1,006,850	1,006,224	955,040	899,365	992,212	925,597
Q3	861,725	891,918	873,857	930,854	922,077	1,036,387	956,410	994,600	1,018,442	1,004,249	927,090
Q4	858,731	903,669	881,721	942,277	805,758	1,013,192	1,041,132	1,011,684	967,012	963,235	-
Year	3,236,648	3,545,052	3,472,442	3,703,010	3,502,437	3,989,880	3,973,685	3,928,688	3,772,322	3,919,347	2,863,405

Note:

1. - Indicates data is not available
2. 2019* Data is up to and including the third quarter

Table 9: Annual Percentage Changes for the Physical Volume of Electricity Distribution: January 2009 – September 2019

Period	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
Jan	(10.7)	18.9	0.9	5.6	2.0	8.3	4.1	0.9	(12.5)	10.0	(13.9)
Feb	(14.0)	14.3	1.3	11.1	(8.8)	10.4	0.3	0.1	(7.2)	11.7	(1.0)
Mar	(10.4)	22.7	(5.3)	9.6	(4.0)	1.7	7.2	(1.8)	(4.8)	3.2	4.8
Apr	(5.5)	12.5	4.0	0.4	4.7	4.5	3.4	(5.0)	(7.9)	7.3	(0.8)
May	(1.3)	18.5	(9.0)	5.9	(0.4)	9.0	(0.3)	(5.3)	(6.4)	17.3	(10.2)
Jun	4.7	6.5	(1.3)	7.2	(10.8)	22.9	(2.9)	(4.9)	(3.3)	6.5	(8.5)
Jul	2.5	0.4	(2.0)	7.6	(1.9)	11.9	(5.0)	(4.5)	6.7	0.9	(8.1)
Aug	(8.5)	11.1	(2.0)	5.0	(0.6)	12.8	(10.1)	9.4	3.6	(4.5)	(7.8)
Sep	3.9	(0.2)	(2.1)	7.0	(0.2)	12.6	(8.1)	7.9	(3.0)	(0.4)	(2.8)
Oct	2.1	2.9	(4.1)	8.8	(50.9)	116.7	6.9	(1.1)	(11.1)	1.3	-
Nov	3.4	1.1	1.7	8.6	1.2	4.3	(3.4)	0.1	0.9	(3.2)	-
Dec	4.5	12.1	(4.7)	3.1	7.2	3.5	4.8	(7.4)	(2.4)	0.9	-
Q1	(11.7)	18.8	(1.2)	8.7	(3.6)	6.7	3.9	(0.3)	(8.3)	8.1	0.6
Q2	(0.6)	12.4	(2.4)	4.6	(2.5)	11.9	(0.1)	(5.1)	(5.8)	10.3	(6.7)
Q3	(0.8)	3.5	(2.0)	6.5	(0.9)	12.4	(7.7)	4.0	2.4	(1.4)	(3.2)
Q4	3.3	5.2	(2.4)	6.9	(14.5)	25.7	2.8	(2.8)	(4.4)	(0.4)	-
Year	(2.4)	9.5	(2.0)	6.6	(5.4)	13.9	(0.4)	(1.1)	(4.0)	(8.8)	-

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Table 10: Generation of Electricity (MWH) as a Percentage of Distribution 2009 – September 2019

Year \ Utility	Electricity Generation	Imported Electricity	Electricity Distribution	% Contribution of Generated Electricity to Distributed
2009	443,918	2,792,730	3,236,648	13.7
2010	456,972	3,088,080	3,545,052	12.9
2011	303,374	3,169,068	3,472,442	8.7
2012	703,213	2,999,797	3,703,010	19.0
2013	1,681,497	1,820,940	3,502,437	48.0
2014	2,361,954	1,627,925	3,989,879	59.2
2015	2,445,988	1,527,697	3,973,685	61.6
2016	2,374,202	1,554,486	3,928,688	60.4
2017	3,020,206	752,117	3,772,322	80.1
2018	2,729,895	1,189,452	3,919,347	69.7
2019*	1,180,229	711,086	1,891,315	62.4
2013_Q1	279,728	595,429	875,157	32.0
Q2	371,879	527,566	899,445	41.3
Q3	599,762	322,315	922,077	65.0
Q4	430,128	375,630	805,758	53.4
2014_Q1	317,245	616,206	933,451	34.0
Q2	725,363	281,487	1,006,850	72.0
Q3	816,465	219,922	1,036,387	78.8
Q4	502,881	510,311	1,013,192	49.6
2015_Q1	518,828	451,092	969,920	53.5
Q2	629,976	376,248	1,006,224	62.6
Q3	591,983	364,427	956,410	61.9
Q4	705,201	335,931	1,041,132	67.7
2016_Q1	443,628	523,736	967,364	45.9
Q2	486,188	468,852	955,040	50.9
Q3	661,245	333,355	994,600	66.5
Q4	783,141	228,543	1,011,684	77.4
2017_Q1	698,451	189,052	887,503	78.7
Q2	675,047	224,318	899,365	75.1
Q3	893,831	124,612	1,018,442	87.8
Q4	752,877	214,135	967,012	77.9
2018_Q1	682,380	277,270	959,650	71.1
Q2	819,755	172,457	992,212	82.6
Q3	774,882	229,427	1,004,249	77.2
Q4	452,938	510,298	963,235	47.0
2019_Q1	776,653	189,065	965,718	80.4
Q2	403,576	522,021	925,597	43.6
Q3	467,974	504,115	972,090	48.1

Note:

1. 2019* Data is up and including the third quarter

3.0 Technical Notes

3.1 Background

The generation of electricity in Botswana started in 1985 with a coal fired thermal power station at Morupule operating at a capacity of 132 MWH. Prior to this period, most of Botswana's electricity was imported from South Africa's power utility, Eskom. In 2008 South Africa's electricity demand started to exceed its supply, resulting in the South African government restricting power exports. As a result, Botswana and the entire Southern African region experienced massive power shortages because of the reduced electricity exports from South Africa (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Energy_in_Botswana).

To avert the situation, Botswana Government opted for alternative ways of sourcing electricity for the country; hence the plan to increase local generation of electricity at Morupule Power Station. The Morupule Power A plant of capacity 132 MWH was augmented with Morupule Power B which is to have a capacity of 600 MWH upon completion (BPC Annual Report, 2010).

3.2 Concepts and formula of the Index of Electricity Generation, Importation and Distribution

The Index of Electricity Generation is a Laspeyres index. The weighted average for electricity generation equals one because there are no various electricity products. The index is thus calculated using the formula;

$$I = \frac{\sum R_i * W_i}{\sum W_i}$$

Where;

I is the index

R is the electricity generation relative

W is the weight

The electricity generation relative for the quarter has been calculated by using the formula:

$$R_i = \frac{P_{ic}}{P_{i0}} * 100$$

Where P_{ic} is the electricity generation of the current quarter and P_{i0} is the generation of electricity of the base year.

The calculation of the monthly generation indices is based on the volume of electricity units produced.

3.3 Base Year

The base year, also referred to as **reference period** used in this brief is 2013, which is set at 100. The selection of the reference period was informed by the availability of relevant data and synchronization of data with other sectors within the industry.



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