

BOTSWANA FOOD IMPORTS

September 2022

Botswana's total imports were valued at **P11, 805,168,285** in September 2022. In this amount, the share of Food Imports was **P1, 004,344,624** (8.5 percent). Beverages, Spirits & Vinegar accounted for the largest share of Food Imports at 19.8 percent. Cereals with 16.7 percent.

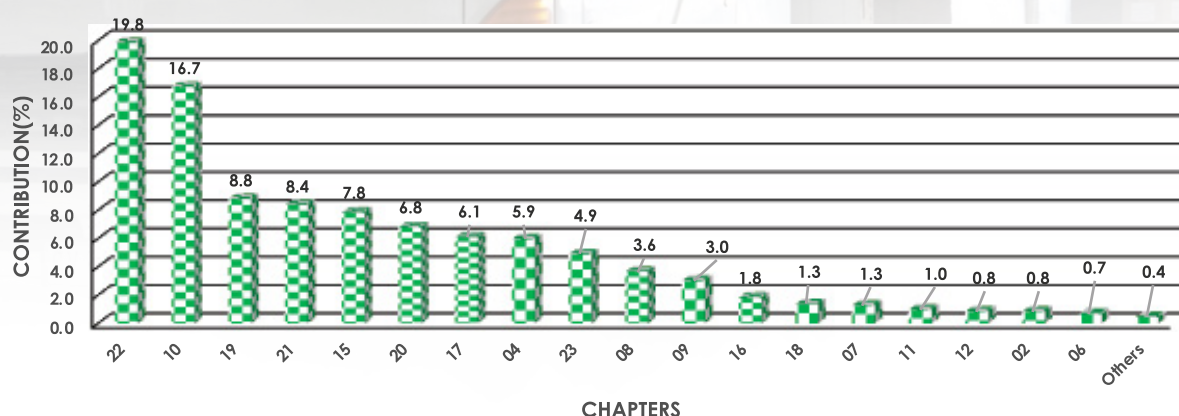
Beverages, fermented were the most imported from Beverages during the month of September 2022 at 23.4 percent. Beer made from malt and Non-alcoholic beverages followed with 21.2 percent and 20.4 percent respectively.

Among the Cereals; Rice, semi-milled or wholly milled contributed 40.1 percent. Maize (corn), other than seed and Wheat and muslin followed with 39.0 percent and 18.6 percent respectively.

Table1: Botswana Food (excluding live animals) imports - September 2022 (Pula)

Rank	Chapter	Chapter Description \ Year	BW Pula	Contribution(%)
1	22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	199,214,415	19.8
2	10	Cereals	167,830,124	16.7
3	19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastry cooks' products	88,325,005	8.8
4	21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	84,109,553	8.4
5	15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared animal fats; animal or vegetable waxes	78,708,340	7.8
6	20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants	68,258,384	6.8
7	17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	61,038,957	6.1
8	04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin not elsewhere specified or included	59,710,633	5.9
9	23	Food industries, residues and wastes thereof; prepared animal fodder	49,035,914	4.9
10	08	Fruit and nuts, edible; peel of citrus fruit or melons	36,637,852	3.6
11	09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	30,120,826	3.0
12	16	Meat, fish or crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates; preparations thereof	18,222,708	1.8
13	18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	13,437,543	1.3
14	07	Vegetables and certain roots and tubers; edible	12,579,179	1.3
15	11	Products of the milling industry; malt, starches, inulin, wheat gluten	9,622,683	1.0
16	12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit, industrial or medical plants; straw and fodder	8,308,854	0.8
17	02	Meat and edible meat offal	8,245,238	0.8
18	06	Trees and other plants, live; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage	6,566,287	0.7
Other Food Imports			4,372,128	0.4
Total Food Imports			1,004,344,624	100.0
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Percentage Distribution of Botswana Food imports by Chapter –September 2022



Note: "Others" combine Chapters 3, 5, 13 & 14

Table 2: Breakdown of the top two food Imports – September 2022

Beverages, Spirits & Vinegar				
Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	%
1	220600	Beverages, fermented; (e.g. Cider, Perry, Mead, Sake)	46,521,645	23.4
2	220300	Beer; made from malt	42,305,448	21.2
3	220299	Non-alcoholic beverages; other than non-alcoholic beer, not including fruit or vegetable juices	40,619,213	20.4
4	220210	Waters; including mineral and aerated, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or flavoured	23,286,056	11.7
5	220830	Whiskies	9,859,791	4.9
6	220421	Wine; still, in containers holding 2 litres or less	8,746,359	4.4
		Other	27,875,903	14.0
		Total	199,214,415	100.0

Cereals				
Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	%
1	100630	Rice, semi-milled or wholly milled, whether or not polished or glazed	67,266,487	40.1
2	100590	Maize (corn), other than seed	65,380,704	39.0
3	100199	Wheat and meslin, other than durum wheat, other than seed	31,196,954	18.6
		Other	3,985,979	2.4
		Total	167,830,124	100.0

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