# **BOTSWANA FOOD & BEVERAGES IMPORTS** July 2024



Botswana's total imports were valued at **P6**, **935.7 million** in July 2024. In this amount, food and beverages imports amounted to P 1, 226.9 million, representing 17.7 percent of total imports. Cereals (Chapter 10) and Beverages, Spirits & Vinegar (Chapter 22) accounted for 17.6 percent and 15.5 percent of food & beverages imports respectively. Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastry cooks' products (Chapter 19) followed with a contribution of 9.3 percent.

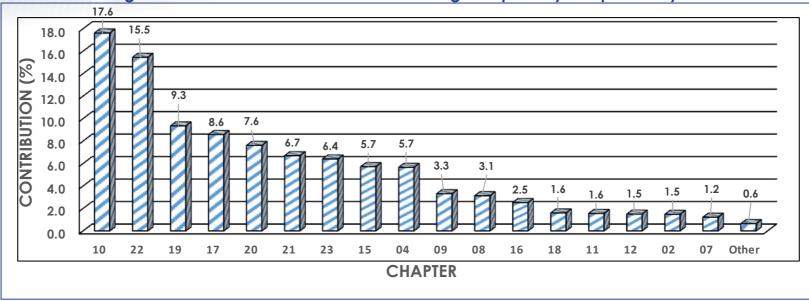
During the period under review, the most imported types of cereals was Other Maize (corn) accounting for 41.1 percent followed by Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed with a contribution of 26.2 percent.

Among Beverages, spirits &vinegar, Beer made from malt and Other fermented beverages (for example, cider, perry, mead, sake), mixtures of fermented beverages, mixtures of fermented beverages & non-alcoholic beverages made contributions of 35.7 percent and 22.6 percent to chapter 22 respectively.

HS	Description	July	% Contribution	June	% Change
10	Cereals	216.1	17.6	183.9	17.5
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	189.6	15.5	166.9	13.6
19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastrycooks' products	114.7	9.3	107.7	6.5
17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	105.2	8.6	83.1	26.7
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants	93.3	7.6	84.6	10.3
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	82.1	6.7	96.4	(14.8)
23	Food industries, residues and wastes thereof; prepared animal fodder	78.5	6.4	58.1	35.1
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared animal fats; animal or vegetable waxes	70.1	5.7	63.9	9.8
04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included	69.4	5.7	78.5	(11.6)
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	40.5	3.3	51.3	(20.9)
08	Fruit and nuts, edible; peel of citrus fruit or melons	38.4	3.1	33.9	13.3
16	Meat, fish or crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates; preparations thereof	31.0	2.5	20.2	53.1
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	19.6	1.6	16.5	18.5
11	Products of the milling industry; malt, starches, inulin, wheat gluten	19.1	1.6	15.9	20.2
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit, industrial or medicinal plants; straw and fodder	18.3	1.5	14.2	29.5
02	Meat and edible meat offal	18.1	1.5	18.1	(0.1)
07	Vegetables and certain roots and tubers; edible	14.9	1.2	15.6	(4.8)
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates	3.9	0.3	2.8	36.5
06	Trees and other plants, live; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage	2.2	0.2	1.8	19.2
05	Animal originated products; not elsewhere specified or included	1.8	0.2	3.1	(39.4)
13	Lac; gums, resins and other vegetable saps and extracts	0.0	0.0	0.0	(45.9)
14	Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products not elsewhere specified or included	0.0	0.0	0.0	36.2
	Total Food & Beverages Imports	1,226.9	17.7	1,116.4	9.9
	Non-Food & Beverages Imports	5,708.9	82.3	7,166.5	(20.3)
	Total Imports	6,935.7	100.0	8,282.9	(16.3)

## Table1: Botswana Food & Beverages (excluding live animals) imports – July 2024 and June 2024 (Million' Pula)





Percentage Distribution of Botswana Food & Beverages imports by Chapter – July 2024

Note: 'Others' combine Chapters 03, 05, 06, 13 & 14

a) Cereals									
HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	% Contribution						
100590	Other Maize (corn)	88.9	41.1						
100630	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	56.5	26.2						
100199	Other Wheat and muslin, not Durum Wheat pther than seed	48.6	22.5						
100790	Other grain Sorghum	13.4	6.2						
100640	Broken rice	6.1	2.8						
	Other	2.6	1.2						
	Total	216.1	100.0						

#### Table 2: Breakdown of the top two Food & Beverages Imports – July 2024 (Million' Pula)

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b) B	everages, Spirits and Vinegar		
HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	% Contribution
220300	Beer made from malt	67.7	35.7
220600	Other fermented beverages (for example, cider, perry, mead, sake), mixtures of fermented beverages and mixtures of fermented beverages and non-alcoholic beverages, not elsewhere specified or included	42.9	22.6
220299	Other waters, including mineral waters \$ aerated , cointaing added sugar or flavoured & non -alcoholic beverages(excluding fruit, nut or vegerable juices)	20.2	10.6
220421	In containers holding 2 li or less:; Unfortified wine: / Fortified wine	13.2	7.0
220210	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or flavoured	10.7	5.7
220830	Whiskies	8.6	4.5
220850	Gin and Geneva	5.3	2.8
220422	In containers holding more than 2 li but not more than 10 litres	5.1	2.7
220870	Liqueurs and cordials:; In containers holding 2 li or less	4.5	2.4
220820	Spirits obtained by distilling grape wine or grape marc	4.2	2.2
	Other	7.3	3.9
	Total	189.6	100.0

## Table 3: Botswana Food & Beverages Imports (Excluding Live Animals) – January 2023 to July 2024 (Million' Pula)

Period \ HS	10	22	19	17	20	21	23	15	04	09	08	16	18	11	12	02	07	Other	Total
Jan 2023	187.5	167.3	65.8	64.2	78.1	53.0	47.5	31.7	49.8	17.3	41.5	32.8	4.5	12.5	14.8	9.8	11.7	5.7	895.3
Feb	176.7	381.9	79.4	158.9	72.4	73.3	47.4	40.8	51.9	31.0	39.3	23.5	11.6	12.1	8.9	10.2	13.8	7.8	1,241.0
Mar	174.6	382.1	85.7	71.9	89.5	71.5	64.1	48.4	53.3	34.9	44.2	17.9	11.3	12.7	8.9	7.7	19.6	9.2	1,207.4
Q1	538.8	931.4	230.9	295.0	240.0	197.8	159.0	120.9	155.0	83.2	125.1	74.2	27.4	37.2	32.6	27.7	45.2	22.7	3,343.8
Apr	138.7	374.9	80.5	60.1	61.9	66.6	45.4	47.4	56.4	33.7	33.3	16.2	11.5	13.9	6.7	10.0	17.0	9.4	1,083.7
Мау	180.9	160.5	92.0	88.6	82.6	72.0	53.8	67.9	55.0	30.0	28.5	15.9	10.4	10.6	6.8	10.9	21.5	9.1	997.0
Jun	237.8	185.5	93.6	110.0	71.6	79.5	66.8	64.6	58.0	43.9	33.3	16.5	11.1	12.5	10.5	12.4	19.5	4.9	1,132.1
Q2	557.3	720.9	266.1	258.7	216.2	218.1	166.1	179.9	169.4	107.6	95.1	48.7	33.0	37.1	24.0	33.3	58.0	23.4	3,212.8
Jul	195.8	198.1	95.3	88.7	90.9	71.4	51.4	61.9	61.8	43.7	32.8	19.4	8.2	11.6	8.6	7.6	12.0	5.6	1,064.9
Aug	165.5	336.6	89.0	110.2	88.0	74.7	64.7	72.5	64.5	40.0	35.5	24.0	13.1	14.8	13.0	9.6	13.2	11.9	1,240.8
Sep	161.2	463.8	84.7	60.4	84.0	100.3	59.7	70.2	64.8	41.9	37.6	12.0	16.5	14.5	15.6	15.0	14.2	8.0	1,324.4
Q3	522.5	998.6	269.1	259.3	263.0	246.4	175.8	204.6	191.2	125.6	105.9	55.3	37.9	40.9	37.2	32.3	39.3	25.5	3,630.1
Oct	188.3	485.3	89.5	107.9	111.7	87.8	66.9	70.6	66.6	34.5	40.5	21.4	11.8	13.9	25.0	11.6	12.6	12.1	1,458.1
Nov	162.0	456.9	92.1	96.4	129.1	101.3	71.5	74.8	64.7	33.6	41.5	25.1	8.0	13.9	14.6	7.7	11.1	9.9	1,414.2
Dec	147.9	231.9	77.6	79.6	90.8	81.4	59.3	58.8	54.8	21.5	40.2	17.5	7.4	15.1	11.5	7.5	9.8	8.1	1,020.6
Q4	498.3	1,174.1	259.2	283.9	331.6	270.5	197.7	204.2	186.1	89.7	122.2	64.0	27.2	42.9	51.0	26.9	33.5	30.0	3,892.8
Total_2023	2,116.9	3,824.9	1,025.3	1,096.9		932.8	698.5	709.5	701.6	406.0	448.3	242.2	125.4	158.0	144.8	120.1	176.0	101.6	14,079.5
Jan_2024	233.4	188.6	77.7	92.6	101.7	95.2	59.6	32.7	62.7	34.5	46.4	13.7	8.6	13.4	12.0	10.2	13.1	5.5	1,101.6
Feb	237.5	188.4	91.6	77.8	92.9	75.3	55.3	60.8	57.8	31.2	42.3	23.2	13.5	15.3	10.0	6.3	11.4	11.3	1,102.0
Mar	262.0	222.8	74.4	85.9	96.0	79.4	54.1	52.6	66.2	30.0	47.7	23.6	9.3	15.6	9.3	13.0	14.0	4.7	1,160.6
Q1	732.8	599.8	243.8	256.3	290.6	249.8	169.0	146.1	186.7	95.7	136.4	60.6	31.4	44.3	31.3	29.6	38.5	21.5	3,364.1
Apr	183.6	224.9	111.1	83.6	110.9	75.7	63.2	56.8	59.3	34.8	44.1	15.1	9.1	14.5	11.2	14.9	16.4	10.1	1,139.4
Мау	281.0	158.3	101.2	108.4	91.0	92.0	70.0	58.9	66.4	43.8	36.1	17.5	12.2	19.2	14.4	22.7	16.4	9.9	1,219.5
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Q2	648.5	550.0	320.0	275.1	286.5	264.1	191.4	179.5	204.2	129.9	114.1	52.9	37.8	49.6	39.7	55.7	48.4	27.8	3,475.3
Jul	216.1	189.6	114.7	105.2	93.3	82.1	78.5	70.1	69.4	40.5	38.4	31.0	19.6	19.1	18.3	18.1	14.9	7.9	1,226.9
% Contribution																			
Jun	16.5	14.9	9.6	7.4	7.6	8.6	5.2	5.7	7.0	4.6	3.0	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.6	1.4	0.7	100.0
Jul	17.6	15.5	9.3	8.6	7.6	6.7	6.4	5.7	5.7	3.3	3.1	2.5	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.2	0.6	100.0

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