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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
USA: United States of America



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 June 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 the current period are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. The top traded import and export commodities excluding diamonds for the month under review 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 June 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.

Botswana's total Imports amounted to P8, 147.2 million, registering a decline of 3.5 percent from the revised May 2024 value of P 8, 445.7 million. The top imported commodity groups were Diamonds and Fuel at 23.4 percent and 15.8 percent respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Food, Beverages & Tobacco each followed with a contribution of 14.0 percent.

The Southern African Customs Union (SACU) was the main source of imports at 78.6 percent. Asia and the European Union (EU) accounted for 9.1 percent and 4.5 percent of total imports, respectively. South Africa and Namibia supplied imports accounting for 57.9 percent and 20.3 percent respectively. India, China, Mozambique and the United States Of America (USA) followed with 3.7 percent, 2.9 percent 2.1 percent and 1.5 percent respectively (Table 3.1A).

During June 2024, Botswana's overall exports decreased by 21.7 percent from the revised May 2024 value of P6, 470.2 million to P5, 067.7 million. Diamonds and Copper led the total exports with contributions of 65.2 percent and 18.6 percent respectively, followed by Machinery & Electrical Equipment with a contribution of 5.0 percent.

Asia was the top destination for Botswana's exports, having received 54.3 percent of total exports. The **SACU** and **EU** received 17.5 percent and 12.3 percent of total exports, respectively. The United Arab Emirates (**UAE**), South Africa, India and Belgium were the main destination partners having received 27.0 percent, 15.2 percent, 14.2 percent and 12.2 percent of total exports respectively. Australia received 10.5 percent of total exports during the period under review (**Table 3.2A**).

Imports representing 68.0 percent were transported into the country by Road whereas those imported by Air and Rail accounted for 17.4 percent and 14.6 percent of total imports respectively. Goods exported by Air accounted for 67.2 percent of total exports, while those transported by Road and Rail represented 32.3 percent and 0.5 percent respectively (Table B).

In June 2024, merchandise worth P21, 441.8 million transited through the country to various destinations. Goods accounting for 64.6 percent transited through Martins Drift border post. Kazungula Bridge and Mamuno border posts followed with 20.6 percent and 8.9 percent respectively, (Table C1). The top transiting goods were chapter 74 (Copper and articles thereof) at 47.5 percent, chapter 99 (Commodities not specified according to kind) at 13.8 percent and Chapter 28 (Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radioactive elements and of isotopes) at 12.7 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 June 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 June 2024 resulted in the upward revision to both trade flows for April and May 2024. Imports for May 2024 increased by 2.2 percent (P178.7 million) while April experienced insignificant growth. Total exports for April and May 2024 rose by 2.0 percent (P129.8 million) and 9.5 percent (P560.6 million) respectively. **Table**A shows revised data comparing figures in the May 2024 digest and the month under review.

Table A: Data Revision: April and May 2024 (Million Pula)

Period	As at	May 2024 I (P Million)		As at		Differenc P million		Difference as %				
Indicators	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF) Total Exports Trade Balance		Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	
April	8,118.1	6,368.2	(1,749.9)	8,125.4	6,498.0	(1,627.4)	7.3	129.8	122.5	0.1	2.0	(7.0)
May	8,267.0	8,267.0 5,909.6 (2,357.4)		8,445.7	6,470.2	(1,975.5)	178.7	560.6	381.9	2.2	9.5	(16.2)

⁽⁾ 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.

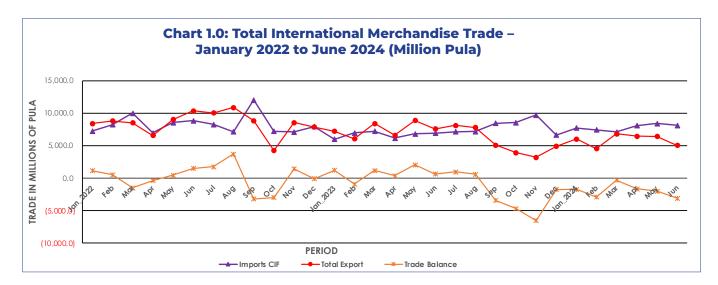
In June 2024, Botswana received imports amounting to P8, 147.2 million registering a decline of 3.5 percent (P298.5 million) from the revised May 2024 figure of P8, 445.7 million. The decline is largely due to most commodity groups experiencing a decrease, with the exception of Chemicals & Rubber Products, Vehicle & Transport Equipment and Wood & Paper Products which increased by12.5 percent, 8.8 percent and 3.2 percent respectively, **Table 2.1**.

1.3 Total Exports

During June 2024, Botswana's export earnings went down by 21.7 percent (P1, 402.4 million) from the revised value of P6, 470.2 million recorded in May 2024 to P5, 067.7 million. Exports of most principal commodity groups witnessed contractions. The Diamonds group played a pivotal role in the overall decrease of total exports by dropping by 29.2 percent (P1, 365.1 million), from P4, 668.1 million in May 2024 to P3, 303.0 million in June 2024, as displayed in **Table 2.2.**

1.4 Trade Balance

Botswana's trade has persistently recorded trade deficit since September 2023. In June 2024, the country recorded a deficit of P3, 079.5 million (Table 1.0). Chart 1.0 displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2022 to June 2024.



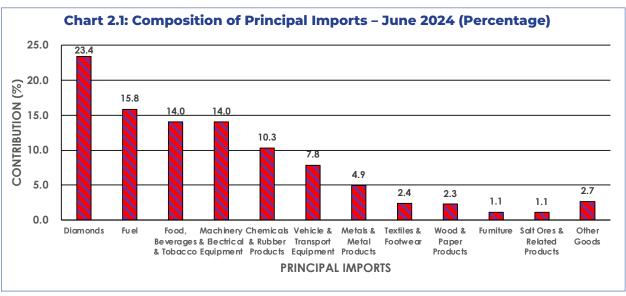
2.0 TRADE BY PRINCIPAL COMMODITY GROUPS

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

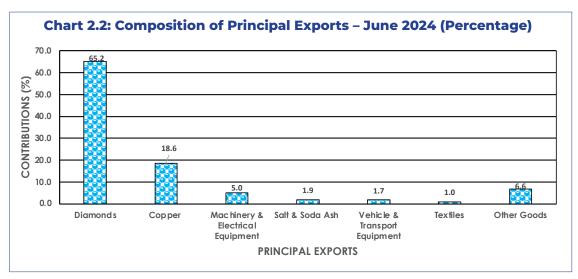
In June 2024, Botswana received imports valued at P8, 147.2 million. The top imported groups were Diamonds; Fuel; Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Food, Beverages & Tobacco. Diamonds contributed 23.4 percent (P1, 909.9 million) followed by Fuel at 15.8 percent (P1, 290.5 million). Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Food, Beverages & Tobacco were also among Botswana's leading imported commodity groups, having contributed 14.0 percent each, to total imports. Chemicals & Rubber Products contributed 10.3 percent (P841.9 million) to total imports. 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

During June 2024, merchandise amounting to P5, 067.7 million were exported by Botswana to the external markets. Diamonds was the leading export commodity group with a contribution of 65.2 percent (P3, 303.0 million), followed by Copper with 18.6 percent (P940.1 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 June 2024 appears in **Table 3.1 A** 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

In June 2024, Botswana imported goods worth P8, 147.2 million, with the **SACU** region contributing largest at 78.6 percent (P6, 403.1 million) to the total imports. Diamonds, Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel were the most imported commodity groups from the customs union accounting for 25.1 percent (P1, 605.9 million), 16.5 percent (P1, 054.1 million and 16.1 percent (P1, 034.0 million), respectively. Chemicals & Rubber Products and Machinery & Electrical Equipment made contributions of 10.1 percent (P643.8 million) and 10.0 percent (P642.5 million) to total imports from the union respectively. Among the **SACU** member states, South Africa and Namibia were the largest source of imports at 57.9 percent (P4, 718.4 million) and 20.3 percent (P1, 651.2 million) respectively. These are displayed in **Table 3.1A** and **Table 3.1B**.

In June 2024, Asia supplied Botswana with imports worth P740.3 million, equivalent to 9.1 percent. The major commodity groups imported were Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with contributions of 28.9 percent (P214.2 million) and 26.1 percent (P192.8 million) of total imports from the block, respectively. India and China supplied imports worth 3.7 percent (P300.5 million) and 2.9 percent (P236.9 million) of total imports respectively. Figures are shown in Table 3.1A and Table 3.1B.

During the period under review, Botswana received imports from the **EU** valued at P363.5 million, contributing 4.5 percent of the total imports. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products were the key commodity groups imported from the Union at 54.8 percent (P199.0 million) and 24.2 percent (P88.0 million) respectively. Finland and Germany made a contribution of 1.1 percent (P87.1 million) and 1.0 percent (P85.5 million) to the total imports respectively (**Table 3.1A** and **Table 3.1B**).

The **USA** supplied imports worth P118.6 million, accounting for 1.5 percent of Botswana's total imports. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Vehicles & Transport Equipment were the main commodities supplied at 38.5 percent (P45.7 million) and 35.3 percent (P41.9 million) respectively. Sources of imports during June 2024 can be viewed in **Table 3.1** A 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**

Botswana exported merchandise valued at P5, 067.7 million in June 2024. Asia was the largest export market for Botswana, having received 54.3 percent (P2, 753.3 million) of total exports. Top exports destinations within Asia were the UAE and India at 27.0 percent (P1, 365.8 million) and 14.2 percent (P719.1 million) of total exports, respectively. Diamonds and Copper were the major commodity groups exported to Asia, at 86.4 percent (P2, 378.6 million) and 13.2 percent (P364.8 million) respectively, as shown in Table 3.2A and Table 3.2B.

During the month under review, exports destined to the SACU region accounted for 17.5 percent (P888.7 million) of total exports. Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the major commodity groups exported to the customs union. These accounted for 30.2 percent (P268.6 million) and 25.9 percent (P230.1 million) of total exports to the regional block respectively. South Africa was the main recipient of exports to SACU, at 15.2 percent (P770.5 million) of total exports, as in Table 3.2A.

The EU received exports amounting to P620.8 million, reflecting 12.3 percent of total exports in June 2024. Belgium received most of exports destined for the union, at 12.2 percent (P617.5 million) of total exports. Diamonds was the main commodity group exported to the EU at 99.5 percent (P617.6 million), as displayed in Table 3.2A and Table 3.2B.

Australia received exports valued at P534.4 million, representing 10.5 percent of Botswana's total exports in June 2024. Copper was the sole 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 TOP TRADED COMMODITIES (EXCLUDING DIAMONDS)

The top traded commodities for both flows are presented in **Table 4.1A** for imports and **Table 4.1B** for exports for June 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

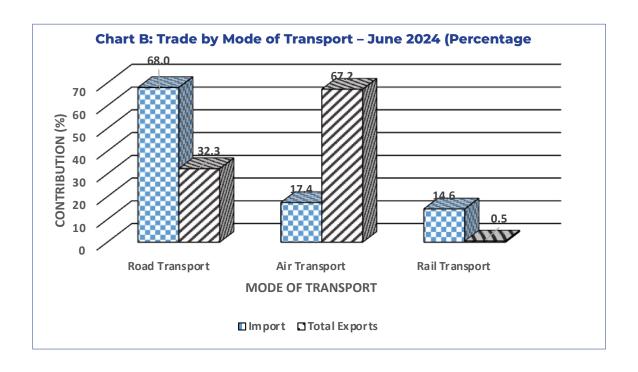
Trade by mode of transport refers to categorising trade activities based on the method of transportation used to move goods between countries or regions. This classification helps in understanding the flow of goods across borders and can provide insights into trade patterns, identifying bottlenecks and 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.

In June 2024, imports accounting for 68.0 percent (P5, 540.3 million) of the monthly total value were transported into the country by Road, while those carried by Air and Rail represented 17.4 percent (P1, 417.5 million) and 14.6 percent (P1, 189.4 million) respectively.

Goods that left the country by Air were valued at P3, 406.1 million, representing 67.2 percent of total exports, while those exported by Road and Rail accounted for 32.3 percent (P1, 634.9 million) and 0.5 percent (P25.5 million) in that order.

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

Flow Type	Impo	orts	То	tal Exports
Mode of Transport	BW Pula (Million)	% Contribution	BW Pula (Million)	% Contribution
Rail Transport	1,189.4	14.6	25.5	0.5
Road Transport	5,540.3	68.0	1,636.1	32.3
Air Transport	1,417.5	17.4	3,406.1	67.2
Total	8,147.2	100.0	5,067.7	100.0



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.

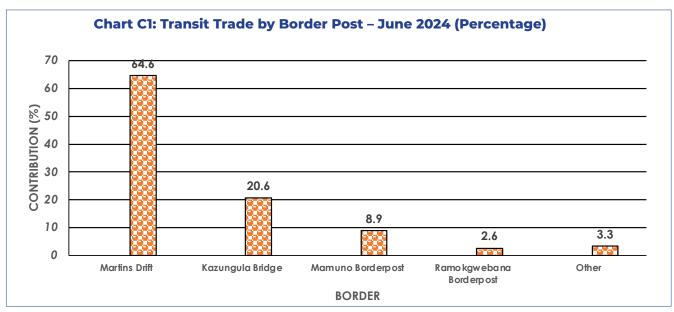
Goods amounting to P21, 441.8 million transited through Botswana destined for various countries in June 2024. Goods accounting for 64.6 percent (P13, 848.6 million), 20.6 percent (P4, 419.3 million) and 8.9 percent (P1, 910.1 million) transited through Martins Drift, Kazungula bridge and Mamuno border posts, respectively, as displayed in **Table C1** and **Chart C1**.

The top most transiting goods were chapters 74 (Copper and articles thereof) at 47.5 percent (P10, 174.3 million) and Chapter 99 (Commodities not specified according to kind) at 13.8 percent (P2, 966.7 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 12.7 percent (P2, 727.1 million), as shown in **Table C2** and **Chart C2**.

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

Border Post	BW Pula (Million)	% Contribution
Martins Drift	13,848.6	64.6
Kazungula Bridge	4,419.3	20.6
Mamuno Borderpost	1,910.1	8.9
Ramokgwebana Borderpost	547.0	2.6
Other	716.7	3.3
Total	21,441.8	100.0

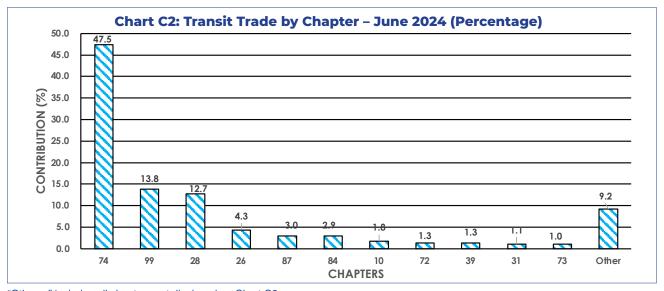
"Other Border Posts..." includes all border posts in Botswana not displayed on Table C1



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

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

Rank	Chapter	Description	BW Pula (Million)	%
1	74	Copper and articles thereof	10,174.3	47.5
2	99	Commodities not specified according to kind	2,966.7	13.8
3	28	Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes	2,727.1	12.7
4	26	Ores, slag and ash	925.8	4.3
5	87	Vehicles; other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof	649.0	3.0
6	84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	627.5	2.9
7	10	Cereals	386.9	1.8
8	72	Iron and steel	287.3	1.3
9	39	Plastics and articles thereof	275.9	1.3
10	31	Fertilizers	232.3	1.1
11	73	Iron or steel articles	224.4	1.0
12	Other		1,964.8	9.2
Total			21,441.8	100.0



"Other..." includes all chapters not displayed on Chart C2 $\,$

7.0 ANNEXURE

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

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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	0.0	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	8,573.5	22.6	8,596.0	1,452.0
Dec	7,959.5	7,661.4	295.9	2.2	7,899.7	0.7	7,900.4	(59.1)
Q4	22,336.7	21,388.8	942.5	5.4	20,742.0	23.3	20,765.2	(1,571.4)
Total_2022	99,900.0	95,710.0	4,166.5	23.5	102,499.0	28.0	102,527.0	2,626.9
Jan_2023	6,033.0	5,752.1	279.3	1.6	7,257.9	0.0	7,257.9	1,224.9
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	21,801.8	11.7	21,813.6	1,524.8
Apr	6,216.0	5,937.9	276.7	1.4	6,633.6	2.7	6,636.3	420.3
May	6,842.4	6,529.0	312.3	1.1	8,919.5	3.4	8,922.9	2,080.6
Jun	6,948.0	6,621.9	324.1	2.1	7,596.5	0.5	7,597.0	649.0
Q2	20,006.4	19,088.8	913.1	4.6	23,149.6	6.6	23,156.2	3,149.8
Jul	7,174.4	6,854.6	318.1	1.7	8,170.4	0.1	8,170.4	996.0
Aug	7,199.1	6,863.5	333.6	1.9	7,835.9	0.5	7,836.4	637.3
Sep	8,492.4	8,148.8	342.0	1.6	5,096.5	0.1	5,096.6	(3,395.8)
Q3	22,865.9	21,866.9	993.7	5.2	21,102.7	0.6	21,103.4	(1,762.5)
Oct	8,597.8	8,242.1	354.2	1.6	3,942.1	3.7	3,945.7	(4,652.0)
Nov	9,738.8	9,365.1	370.9	2.8	3,242.9	0.4	3,243.3	(6,495.5)
Dec	6,686.5	6,389.4	295.1	2.0	4,945.5	0.8	4,946.3	(1,740.1)
Q4	25,023.0	23,996.6	1,020.1	6.3	12,130.4	5.0	12,135.4	(12,887.7)
Total_2023	88,184.1	84,347.3	3,815.7	21.1	78,184.6	23.9	78,208.5	(9,975.5)
Jan_2024	7,743.5	7,423.5	317.7	2.2	6,041.9	0.0	6,041.9	(1,701.6)
Feb	7,451.7	7,118.9	331.0	1.8	4,556.4	0.2	4,556.6	(2,895.1)
Mar	7,145.6	6,842.4	301.4	1.9	6,851.8	14.4	6,866.1	(279.5)
Q1	22,340.8	21,384.8	950.1	5.9	17,450.0	14.6	17,464.6	(4,876.2)
April	8,125.4	7,741.1	381.8	2.5	6,483.6	14.4	6,498.0	(1,627.4)
May	8,445.7	8,099.6	343.9	2.3	6,470.1	0.1	6,470.2	(1,975.5)
Jun	8,147.2	7,820.1	324.2	2.9	5,067.4	0.4	5,067.7	(3,079.5)
Q2	24,718.3	23,660.7	1,049.9	7.7	18,021.1	14.8	18,035.9	(6,682.4)
Change	(298.5)	(279.5)	(19.7)	0.6	(1,402.8)	0.3	(1,402.4)	(1,103.9)
% Change	(3.5)	(3.5)	(5.7)	28.2	(21.7)	605.6	(21.7)	55.9

Change: Difference between the Current and Previous month

Table 2.1: Principal Import Commodity Groups – January 2022 to June 2024 (Million Pula)

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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	382.6	140.3	211.7	6,216.0
May	902.1	874.4	1,013.1	1,311.5	75.3	1,058.4	391.2	77.3	187.3	550.3	161.8	239.8	6,842.4
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	211.5	2,995.9	1,165.6	240.9	538.5	1,460.8	479.1	658.9	20,006.4
Jul	823.9	811.5	1,077.1	1,437.5	67.3	1,015.8	418.1	63.4	173.9	873.7	167.4	244.8	7,174.4
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	7,199.1
Sep	779.9	1,435.5	1,340.1	1,823.0	87.8	1,187.7	449.3	64.7	228.9	625.5	171.8	298.3	8,492.4
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	2,072.0	522.8	806.5	22,865.9
Oct	859.2	1,436.6	1,475.0	1,798.8	84.6	1,117.8	409.5	61.5	267.5	561.7	186.1	339.5	8,597.8
Nov	1,151.8	2,276.0	1,436.6	1,854.9	89.7	1,131.2	419.3	68.4	277.5	577.4	198.0	257.9	9,738.8
Dec	760.3	1,097.0	1,045.3	1,404.0	79.6	856.7	366.9	82.9	161.9	469.1	159.3	203.5	6,686.5
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	1,608.2	543.4	800.9	25,023.0
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	6,547.3	2,002.4	2,998.4	88,184.1
Jan_2024	914.6	1,826.0	1,107.4	1,355.3	45.9	834.2	324.6	94.2	140.2	764.6	147.1	189.4	7,743.5
Feb	879.1	756.8	1,115.6	1,622.8	88.8	1,258.5	429.8	76.1	204.6	591.5	177.0	251.0	7,451.7
Mar	746.2	1,229.0	1,115.5	1,342.4	91.8	1,042.5	370.5	79.0	209.3	509.7	194.9	214.6	7,145.6
Q1	2,540.0	3,811.8	3,338.5	4,320.5	226.5	3,135.2	1,125.0	249.3	554.2	1,865.8	519.0	655.0	22,340.8
Apr	788.2	1,281.5	1,175.6	1,360.0	90.0	1,507.0	431.7	83.9	256.9	691.0	187.9	271.6	8,125.4
May	748.4	1,975.3	1,254.4	1,393.9	100.9	1,213.2	443.5	89.3	231.2	586.6	181.4	227.9	8,445.7
Jun	841.9	1,909.9	1,141.8	1,290.5	93.0	1,142.3	403.0	88.1	194.4	638.3	187.2	216.7	8,147.2
Q2	2,378.5	5,166.7	3,571.8	4,044.4	283.9	3,862.5	1,278.2	261.3	682.5	1,915.9	556.5	716.1	24,718.3
Change	93.5	(65.3)	(112.5)	(103.4)	(7.9)	(70.9)	(40.5)	(1.2)	(36.7)	51.7	5.8	(11.2)	(298.5)
% Change	12.5	(3.3)	(9.0)	(7.4)	(7.8)	(5.8)	(9.1)	(1.3)	(15.9)	8.8	3.2	(4.9)	(3.5)
% Contributi	on												
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
May	8.9	23.4	14.9	16.5	1.2	14.4	5.3	1.1	2.7	6.9	2.1	2.7	100.0
Jun	10.3	23.4	14.0	15.8	1.1	14.0	4.9	1.1	2.4	7.8	2.3	2.7	100.0
Change: Diff	ference betw	veen the Curr	ent and Prev	ious month								Intern	ational

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

Table 2.2 Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2022 to June 2024 (Million Pula)														
Period \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equip- ment	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	106.0	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	83.1	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	363.8	8,819.4	35.5	23.8	97.4	243.8	14.2	34.0	72.6	23.9	35.5	237.7	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	1,118.2	26,226.0	79.7	63.8	196.6	740.7	26.5	101.7	307.3	82.4	207.5	517.6	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	185.3	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	182.9	7,900.4
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	507.2	20,765.2
Total_2022	646.0	3,965.7	89,304.0	308.2	249.2	1,185.0	2,641.1	137.3	361.0	1,006.0	319.8	651.5	1,752.2	102,527.0
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	96.5	7,257.9
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	277.7	21,813.6
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 42.0	544.6 424.4	7,531.2 6,368.0	27.8 21.0	26.0 28.7	69.7 69.4	269.1 265.1	23.9	32.9	57.5 68.2	45.3 31.8	63.7 58.9	176.8 149.5	8,922.9 7,597.0
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	413.4	23,156.2
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	123.4	8,170.4
Aug	30.0	653.0	6,361.5	23.0	27.4	29.6	344.1	45.0	31.5	102.6	30.1	35.2	123.3	7,836.4
Sep	28.2	733.2	3,599.9	19.0	27.9	28.6	267.8	38.9	45.8	106.6	31.4	25.8	143.7	5,096.6
Q3	92.2	2,022.2	16,739.2	59.4	78.9	84.2	897.7	121.9	104.4	326.6	92.3	93.9	390.4	21,103.4
Oct	23.4	703.8	2,418.5	21.4	43.9	16.3	280.9	40.4	37.2	100.2	37.1	91.5	131.2	3,945.7
Nov	26.9	782.9	1,528.2	30.0	30.8	14.9	312.1	28.0	114.1	93.8	40.2	30.1	211.3	3,243.3
Dec	20.5	646.8	3,633.2	13.7	25.2	19.1	112.1	17.8	22.1	214.3	37.6	23.4	160.6	4,946.3
Q4	70.8	2,133.5	7,579.9	65.0	99.9	50.3	705.0	86.3	173.5	408.2	114.9	144.9	503.1	12,135.4
Total_2023	466.6	6,956.6	62,006.0	286.3	306.1	647.6	3,064.2	311.9	468.1	1,207.1	376.1	527.4	1,584.6	78,208.5
Jan_2024	25.7	885.7	4,475.7	20.5	14.7	32.2	214.2	21.4	26.0	141.9	27.1	71.2	85.5	6,041.9
Feb	23.1	674.4	3,183.5	6.1	23.6	42.5	309.6	16.5	33.5	87.9	28.3	28.8	99.0	4,556.6
Mar	26.0	775.0	5,335.4	3.4	33.3	50.0	241.3	38.4	39.7	131.7	28.3	22.9	140.7	6,866.1
Q1	74.8	2,335.0	12,994.6	30.0	71.6	124.7	765.1	76.3	99.2	361.5	83.7	122.9	325.2	17,464.6
Apr	26.9	684.9	5,053.7	0.4	23.2	42.8	278.5	34.4	37.8	119.6	50.6	40.8	104.1	6,498.0
May	51.1	1,001.3	4,668.1	0.0	33.5	48.1	249.0	59.6	43.7	108.2	55.8	21.5	130.1	6,470.2
Jun	39.5	940.1	3,303.0	0.0	32.6	47.4	254.5	34.3	36.9	96.4	49.5	88.0	145.6	5,067.7
Q2	117.5	2,626.3	13,024.8	0.4	89.3	138.3	782.1	128.3	118.5	324.2	156.0	150.3	379.7	18,035.9
Change	(11.6)	(61.2)	(1,365.1)	0.0	(1.0)	(0.7)	5.5	(25.4)	(6.8)	(11.8)	(6.3)	66.5	15.5	(1,402.4)
% Change	(22.7)	(6.1)	(29.2)	0.0	(2.8)	(1.4)	2.2	(42.5)	(15.6)	(10.9)	(11.3)	308.7	11.9	(21.7)
% Contributi	ion													
2023	0.6	8.9	79.3	0.4	0.4	8.0	3.9	0.4	0.6	1.5	0.5	0.7	2.0	100.0
May	0.8	15.5	72.1	0.0	0.5	0.7	3.8	0.9	0.7	1.7	0.9	0.3	2.0	100.0
Jun	8.0	18.6	65.2	0.0	0.6	0.9	5.0	0.7	0.7	1.9	1.0	1.7	2.9	100.0
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Change: Difference between the Current and Previous month

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

Flow Type	Imports						Ò		Ť.	Total Exports					
Period \	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	al			
HS												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 Mar	0.0 512.4	18.6 14.4	0.0	2,756.0 2,526.8	521.1 658.7	3,295.7 3,712.3	0.0	53.2 28.3	0.0	6,729.9 5,919.0	1,276.9 1,578.5	8,060.0 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	0.0	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	323.3 415.3	0.4	0.0	168.5 5,088.8	411.8 264.3	903.9 5,769.1	0.0	62.0 37.8	0.0	7,573.2 5,827.4	2,010.9 1,895.4	9,646.0 7,760.6			
Sep 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 Mar	925.2 426.4	0.1	0.0	117.3 76.0	309.8 316.2	1,352.4 818.8	0.0	32.2 33.3	0.0	3,520.2 5,537.0	1,305.1 1,711.3	4,857.5 7,281.7			
Q1	1,671.7	0.2	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 Q3	0.0 656.4	0.3 0.4	0.0 0.0	1,077.3 1,216.9	357.9 970.4	1,435.5 2,844.0	0.0 31.0	0.9 135.5	0.0 0.0	2,432.0 11,925.4	1,166.9 4,647.3	3,599.9 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	1,825.0	2,418.5			
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	3,779.8	7,579.9			
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	16,454.8	62,006.0			
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	283.8 370.1	0.2	0.0	357.6 807.7	115.3	756.8	0.0	38.6	0.0	2,823.6	321.3	3,183.5			
Mar Q1	1,027.1	0.0 0.2	0.0 0.0	2,433.8	51.2 350.8	1,229.0 3,811.8	0.0	9.4	0.0 0.0	4,488.8 11,405.8	837.2 1,528.4	5,335.4 12,994.6			
Apr	226.5	0.4	0.0	720.9	333.7	1,281.5	0.0	14.1	0.0	4,133.9	905.7	5,053.7			
May	252.7	0.0	0.0	1,607.0	115.6	1,975.3	0.0	19.7	0.0	3,746.9	901.4	4,668.1			
Jun	2.1	0.2	0.0	1,658.7	248.9	1,909.9	12.7	64.0	0.0	2,717.4	508.8	3,303.0			
Q2	481.2	0.6	0.0	3,986.7	698.2	5,166.7	12.7	97.9	0.0	10,598.3	2,315.9	13,024.8			

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 - June 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	629.6	316.8	1,022.5	713.5	81.1	639.8	328.1	71.8	158.6	442.6	162.6	151.3	4,718.4	57.9
Namibia	1.2	1,289.1	17.0	320.5	0.0	2.7	1.1	16.0	0.2	1.5	0.4	1.4	1,651.2	20.3
Eswatini	13.0	0.0	14.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	3.9	0.1	32.3	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	1.2	0.0
SACU	643.8	1,605.9	1,054.1	1,034.0	81.1	642.5	329.2	87.9	160.0	444.7	167.0	152.9	6,403.1	78.6
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	0.2	166.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	168.1	2.1
Zambia	0.0	0.0	17.1	49.3	0.2	10.0	23.0	0.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	6.5	107.4	1.3
Other SADC	6.5	55.0	22.5	22.9	0.0	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.8	0.1	3.4	2.9	116.6	1.4
SADC	650.4	1,661.0	1,093.9	1,272.8	81.4	653.7	353.4	88.0	163.0	444.9	170.4	162.3	6,795.2	83.4
Other Africa	2.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	9.1	0.1
Africa	652.9	1,661.1	1,094.0	1,272.8	81.4	659.0	353.4	88.0	163.0	444.9	170.4	163.3	6,804.3	83.5
India	18.9	172.9	2.8	2.5	0.2	17.6	7.9	0.1	5.6	65.5	1.3	5.2	300.5	3.7
China	29.3	0.0	2.8	0.0	8.8	128.5	15.8	0.0	14.9	10.0	4.0	22.9	236.9	2.9
Other Asia	18.7	41.2	12.4	7.9	1.7	46.8	13.4	0.0	6.3	48.5	2.2	3.8	202.8	2.5
Asia	67.0	214.2	17.9	10.4	10.7	192.8	37.1	0.1	26.8	124.1	7.5	31.8	740.3	9.1
Finland	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	82.5	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	87.1	1.1
Germany	29.2	0.0	4.0	0.1	0.0	27.1	0.9	0.0	3.4	9.0	6.0	5.7	85.5	1.0
Other EU	58.2	14.1	8.2	1.3	0.1	89.4	2.3	0.0	0.3	7.9	2.2	6.8	190.9	2.3
EU	88.0	14.1	12.3	1.3	0.3	199.0	6.7	0.0	3.8	17.2	8.3	12.6	363.5	4.5
USA	13.3	6.7	1.4	0.1	0.6	45.7	3.1	0.0	0.3	41.9	0.3	5.3	118.6	1.5
Rest of the World	20.7	13.9	16.2	5.9	0.2	45.7	2.6	0.0	0.6	10.2	0.7	3.6	120.5	1.5
TOTAL	841.9	1,909.9	1,141.8	1,290.5	93.0	1,142.3	403.0	88.1	194.4	638.3	187.2	216.7	8,147.2	100.0

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

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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
South Africa	13.3	6.7	21.7	15.1	1.7	13.6	7.0	1.5	3.4	9.4	3.4	3.2	100.0
Namibia	0.1	78.1	1.0	19.4	0.0	0.2	0.1	1.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	100.0
Eswatini	40.3	0.0	45.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	12.2	0.4	100.0
Lesotho	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	98.4	1.3	0.0	0.1	100.0
SACU	10.1	25.1	16.5	16.1	1.3	10.0	5.1	1.4	2.5	6.9	2.6	2.4	100.0
Mozambique	0.0	0.0	0.1	99.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Zambia	0.0	0.0	15.9	45.9	0.2	9.3	21.5	0.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	6.1	100.0
Other SADC	5.6	47.2	19.3	19.6	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.7	0.1	2.9	2.5	100.0
SADC	9.6	24.4	16.1	18.7	1.2	9.6	5.2	1.3	2.4	6.5	2.5	2.4	100.0
Other Africa	27.1	1.6	1.0	0.0	0.0	58.5	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	11.3	100.0
Africa	9.6	24.4	16.1	18.7	1.2	9.7	5.2	1.3	2.4	6.5	2.5	2.4	100.0
India	6.3	57.6	0.9	0.8	0.1	5.9	2.6	0.0	1.9	21.8	0.4	1.7	100.0
China	12.4	0.0	1.2	0.0	3.7	54.2	6.7	0.0	6.3	4.2	1.7	9.6	100.0
Other Asia	9.2	20.3	6.1	3.9	0.8	23.1	6.6	0.0	3.1	23.9	1.1	1.9	100.0
Asia	9.0	28.9	2.4	1.4	1.4	26.1	5.0	0.0	3.6	16.8	1.0	4.3	100.0
Finland	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	94.8	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	100.0
Germany	34.2	0.0	4.7	0.1	0.0	31.7	1.1	0.0	4.0	10.6	7.1	6.6	100.0
Other EU	30.5	7.4	4.3	0.7	0.1	46.8	1.2	0.0	0.2	4.1	1.2	3.6	100.0
EU	24.2	3.9	3.4	0.4	0.1	54.8	1.8	0.0	1.0	4.7	2.3	3.5	100.0
USA	11.3	5.7	1.2	0.1	0.5	38.5	2.6	0.0	0.2	35.3	0.3	4.5	100.0
Rest of the World	17.2	11.5	13.5	4.9	0.1	38.0	2.2	0.0	0.5	8.5	0.6	3.0	100.0
TOTAL	10.3	23.4	14.0	15.8	1.1	14.0	4.9	1.1	2.4	7.8	2.3	2.7	100.0

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

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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	32.0	0.0	200.6	21.6	45.6	220.2	31.1	22.2	80.4	14.7	53.4	48.8	770.5	15.2
Namibia	7.5	3.7	68.0	1.4	0.0	9.9	0.6	6.8	0.0	0.8	3.6	13.7	116.0	2.3
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	2.2	0.0
Eswatini	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	0.0
SACU	39.5	3.7	268.6	24.6	45.6	230.1	31.7	29.0	80.4	15.6	57.5	62.6	888.7	17.5
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.4	0.0	17.7	0.0	2.9	7.0	32.3	9.1	34.9	108.4	2.1
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.8	4.0	2.6	5.0	9.0	0.6	21.2	32.8	77.5	1.5
SADC	39.5	3.7	268.6	29.5	47.4	251.8	34.3	36.9	96.4	48.5	87.8	130.3	1,074.7	21.2
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0
Africa	39.5	3.7	268.6	29.5	47.4	252.0	34.3	36.9	96.4	48.5	87.8	130.3	1,074.9	21.2
UAE	0.0	0.0	1,362.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	1,365.8	27.0
India	0.0	0.0	715.8	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	719.1	14.2
China	0.0	364.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	366.1	7.2
Israel	0.0	0.0	192.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	192.9	3.8
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	107.8	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	109.3	2.2
Asia	0.0	364.8	2,378.6	2.9	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	2,753.3	54.3
Belgium	0.0	0.0	617.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	617.5	12.2
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	3.3	0.1
EU	0.0	0.0	617.6	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	620.8	12.3
Australia	0.0	534.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	534.4	10.5
Rest of the World	0.0	37.2	38.2	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.2	6.2	84.3	1.7
TOTAL	39.5	940.1	3,303.0	32.6	47.4	254.5	34.3	36.9	96.4	49.5	88.0	145.6	5,067.7	100.0

Table 3.2B: Principal Export Commodity Groups as a Percentage of Total Exports at Country and Regional Level – June 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
South Africa	4.2	0.0	26.0	2.8	5.9	28.6	4.0	2.9	10.4	1.9	6.9	6.3	100.0
Namibia	6.5	3.2	58.6	1.2	0.0	8.6	0.5	5.8	0.0	0.7	3.1	11.8	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	77.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.3	0.0	100.0
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.6	0.0	53.0	100.0
SACU	4.4	0.4	30.2	2.8	5.1	25.9	3.6	3.3	9.0	1.8	6.5	7.0	100.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.1	0.0	16.4	0.0	2.7	6.5	29.8	8.4	32.2	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	2.3	5.1	3.4	6.5	11.6	0.8	27.3	42.3	100.0
SADC	3.7	0.3	25.0	2.7	4.4	23.4	3.2	3.4	9.0	4.5	8.2	12.1	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	76.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	23.3	100.0
Africa	3.7	0.3	25.0	2.7	4.4	23.4	3.2	3.4	9.0	4.5	8.2	12.1	100.0
UAE	0.0	0.0	99.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	100.0
India	0.0	0.0	99.5	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
China	0.0	99.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	100.0
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
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	98.6	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	100.0
Asia	0.0	13.2	86.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	100.0
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
Other EU	0.0	0.1	2.1	5.4	0.0	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	81.3	100.0
EU	0.0	0.0	99.5	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	100.0
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
Rest of the World	0.0	44.1	45.3	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.3	7.4	100.0
TOTAL	0.8	18.6	65.2	0.6	0.9	5.0	0.7	0.7	1.9	1.0	1.7	2.9	100.0

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

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Contribution (%) Against Total Non- Diamonds Imports	Contribution (%) Against Total Imports
9.9	7.6
7.6	5.8
1.6	1.2
1.4	1.1
1.3	1.0
1.0	0.7
0.9	0.7
0.9	0.7
0.9	0.7
0.9	0.7
0.8	0.6
0.8	0.6
0.8	0.6
0.8	0.6
0.8	0.6
0.7	0.6
0.7	0.5
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Table 4.1 A: Top Imported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – June 2024 (Million Pula) Continued

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Rank	HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	Contribution (%) Against Total Non-Diamonds Imports	Contribution (%) Against Total Imports
26	84303900	Other coal or rock cutter and tunneling machinery	29.9	0.5	0.4
27	10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	29.6	0.5	0.4
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	29.2	0.5	0.4
29	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.)	28.3	0.5	0.3
30	85171310	Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	27.0	0.4	0.3
31	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	25.7	0.4	0.3
32	09109900	Other spices	25.5	0.4	0.3
33	87012220	Of a vehicle exceeding 1 600 kg	25.3	0.4	0.3
34	85176290	Other Machines for the reception	25.1	0.4	0.3
35	27111390	Other Butanes, Liquefied	24.9	0.4	0.3
36	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	24.3	0.4	0.3
37	39269099	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	23.8	0.4	0.3
38	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	22.9	0.4	0.3
39	74081100	Of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	22.8	0.4	0.3
40	10079000	Other (Grain Sorghum)	22.2	0.4	0.3
41	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substances	21.8	0.3	0.3
42	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	21.0	0.3	0.3
43	34012000	Soap in other forms	20.2	0.3	0.2
44	85021300	Of an output exceeding 375 kVA	20.0	0.3	0.2
45	19011000	Preparations suitable for infants or young children, put up for retail sale	19.7	0.3	0.2
46	48181000	Toilet paper	19.5	0.3	0.2
47	19023000	Other pasta	19.4	0.3	0.2
48	87041025	Dumpers designed for off-highway use:new	19.1	0.3	0.2
49	17049000	Other Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	19.1	0.3	0.2
50	21032000	Tomato Ketchup and other Tomato sauces	19.0	0.3	0.2
Top 50	Top 50 Imported Non-Diamond Goods				35.0
Other	Other Non-Diamond Imports Goods				41.5
Total N	Non-Diamond	Imports	6,237.2	100.0	76.6
Diamo	onds Imports		1,909.9	23.4	23.4
Total I	mports	8,147.2	100.0	100.0	

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

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Rank	HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	Contribution (%) Against Total Non- Diamonds Exports	Contribution (%) Against Total Exports
1	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	940.1	53.3	18.6
2	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	121.0	6.9	2.4
3	28362000	Disodium carbonate	72.9	4.1	1.4
5	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 "	56.5	3.2	1.1
6	88023000	Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen mass exceeding 2 000 kg but not exceeding 15 000 kg	37.1	2.1	0.7
7	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	32.0	1.8	0.6
8	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	31.7	1.8	0.6
9	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	21.8	1.2	0.4
10	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	20.4	1.2	0.4
11	27011900	Other coal	20.4	1.2	0.4
12	87041025	Dumpers designed for off-highway use:new	19.2	1.1	0.4
13	27011200	Bituminous coal	19.1	1.1	0.4
14	01022900	Other (cattle)	15.4	0.9	0.3
15	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton	13.3	0.8	0.3
16	87041090	Other auxiliary plant for use with boilers of heading 84.02 or 84.03	13.2	0.7	0.3
17	62171090	Other clothing accessories	12.5	0.7	0.2
18	64059090	Other footwear	11.9	0.7	0.2
19	84381000	Bakery machinery and machinery for the manufacture of macaroni, spaghetti or similar products	8.9	0.5	0.2
20	85446090	Other electric conductors ,for a voltage exceeding 100V	8.7	0.5	0.2
21	61121900	Track suits, Of other textile materials	8.7	0.5	0.2
22	72142000	Containing indentations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process or twisted after rolling	8.4	0.5	0.2
23	63019000	Other blankets and travelling rugs	7.5	0.4	0.1
24	82071990	Other parts of bits (excluding parts for raise boring and other incorporating cermet	7.1	0.4	0.1
25	30024200	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	7.1	0.4	0.1

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

Rank	HS Code	Description	BW Pula (Million)	Contribution (%) Against Total Non-Diamonds Exports	Contribution (%) Against Total Exports
26	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	6.9	0.4	0.1
27	85071099	Other lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines	6.7	0.4	0.1
28	87042110	Shuttle cars for use in underground mines; low construction flame-proof vehicles, equipped with control mechanisms both in the front and at the rear, for use in underground mines	6.3	0.4	0.1
29	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	5.9	0.3	0.1
30	84211900	Other Centrifuges, including centrifugal dryers	5.8	0.3	0.1
31	72044900	Other Ferrous waste and scrap; remelting scrap ingots of iron or steel	5.6	0.3	0.1
32	25081000	Bentonite	5.1	0.3	0.1
33	08052110	Fresh Mandarins (including tangerines and satsumas):	5.0	0.3	0.1
34	84314990	Other parts of boring or sinking machinery	4.7	0.3	0.1
35	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	4.7	0.3	0.1
36	07133990	Other (other beans (Vigna spp., Phaseolus spp.))	4.7	0.3	0.1
37	74040010	Copper waste and scrap Of refined copper	4.5	0.3	0.1
38	72165000	Other angles, shapes and sections, not further worked than hot-rolled, hot-drawn or extruded	4.3	0.2	0.1
39	26040000	Nickel ores and concentrates	4.3	0.2	0.1
40	74040090	Other copper waste and scrap	4.1	0.2	0.1
41	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	3.7	0.2	0.1
42	85285990	Other Monitors and projectors	3.7	0.2	0.1
43	84772000	Extruders	3.6	0.2	0.1
44	60069000	Other knitted or crocheted fabrics	3.4	0.2	0.1
45	94069010	Prefabricated buildings, of iron and steel	3.2	0.2	0.1
46	07082000	Beans (VIGNA SPP., PHASEOLUS SPP.), shelled or unshelled, fresh or chilled	3.0	0.2	0.1
47	11031390	Other (Groats and meal of maize (corn))	2.9	0.2	0.1
48	39251000	Reservoirs, tanks, vats and similar containers, of a capacity exceeding 300 li	2.8	0.2	0.1
49	72043000	Waste and Scrap of tinned iron or Steel	2.8	0.2	0.1
50	87032390	Other Vehicles specially designed for travelling on snow; golf cars nd similar vehicles	2.8	0.2	0.1
Top 50 E	xported Non-Diam	1,625.3	92.1	32.1	
Other No	on-Diamond Export	139.5	7.9	2.8	
Total No	n-Diamond Exports	1,764.8	100.0	34.8	
Diamond	ls Exports		3,303.0		65.2
Total Exp	oorts		5,067.7		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.

