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Preface

International Merchandise Trade Statistics play a vital role in many economies, Botswana included. It is an account of all transactions of goods between a country and the rest of the world. The account measures the value and quantity of goods which add to or subtract from the stock of material resources of a country, by entering (imports) or leaving (exports) its economic territory. Therefore, trade statistics remains one of the major indicators of the performance of a country's economy and its competitiveness in the world market.

The monthly International Merchandise Trade Statistics are used extensively in the compilation of the country's National Accounts and the Balance of Payments. Furthermore, these statistics are used by government institutions and other stakeholders for trade negotiations and other various purposes.

This International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) monthly digest presents statistics on Botswana's total imports and exports of goods during August 2020. It shows summaries of total international merchandise trade as presented in **Table 1.0**. Trade by principal commodity groups is presented in **Table 2.1** for imports, and **Table 2.2** for exports, while **Table 2.3** gives trade on diamonds only. 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 total trade at region or country level, are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. **Table 4.1A** presents statistics on commodities which were mostly imported during August 2020, while exports are given in Table 4.1B.

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

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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.

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Executive Summary

This International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS) monthly digest provides trade statistics on Botswana's total imports and exports of goods during August 2020.

Botswana's overall exports amounted to P2, 660.0 million, a rise of 7.9 percent (P193.9 million) from the revised July 2020 value of P2, 466.1 million. Imports stood at P5, 683.0 million, a decrease of 5.3 percent from the revised July 2020 value of P6, 003.0 million.

During the period under review, Botswana's exports were mostly absorbed by Asia with a market share of 55.3 percent. India and The United Arab Emirates received exports representing 21.7 percent and 19.2 percent of total exports respectively, mainly attributable to Diamonds. Belgium received 18.4 percent (P489.3 million) of total exports during the month, all attributable to Diamonds.

South Africa was the major source of imports into Botswana with a contribution of 70.2 percent to the country's total imports. Belgium contributed 10.1 percent, while China and Namibia contributed 3.7 percent each. With regard to regional groupings, SACU was the major source of imports with a contribution of 74.6 percent. The EU and Asia accounted for 11.0 percent and 10.6 percent respectively.

The leading Import commodity groups were Diamonds; Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel at 30.5 percent, 13.2 percent and 12.5 percent respectively.

In the current period, exports transported by Air accounted for 83.2 percent, while those by Road and Rail represented 16.3 percent and 0.5 percent of total exports respectively. Imports by Road Transport accounted for 56.5 percent, whereas those entering by Air and Rail represented 31.1 percent and 12.4 percent, respectively.

1.0 Total Trade

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance. Discussions are based on August 2020, which is also referred to as the reference period, the period under review or the current month, throughout the digest.

1.1 Data Revision

Statistics for previous monthly digests, contain preliminary figures which are subsequently revised and updated with new information as it becomes available. Revisions are made on a monthly basis, when monthly data files are uploaded into the database with additional information of previous months. In some instances, revisions are negligible while in other cases they are significant.

Transactions for June and July had late customs duty assessments which were finalised during August 2020, hence the need to show data revision. Table A shows revised data for the affected months, comparing figures as at the July Digest and the current situation.

There has been a 13.9 percent (P301.3 million) upward revision of total exports for the month of July, as displayed in Table A. This is largely attributable to revised records of exports of Diamonds which rose by P275.2 million (13.8 percent), from P1, 713.1 million to P1, 988.4 million. On the other hand, Imports for July 2020 increased minimally by 1.1 percent (P63.1 million).

Table A: Data Revision: June and July 2020 (Million Pula)

	As at	July 2020	Digest	As at A	ugust 2020	Digest		Difference	•	Difference as %			
Period	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance										
June	7,312.2	1,063.1	(6,249.1)	7,328.5	1,063.5	(6,265.0)	16.3	0.4	(15.9)	0.2	0.0	0.3	
July	5,939.9	2,164.8	(3,775.1)	6,003.0	2,466.1	(3,536.9)	63.1	301.3	238.2	1.1	13.9	(6.3)	
() Denotes nega	tive number	re											

1.2 Imports

Imports are valued at Cost, Insurance & Freight (CIF), which includes the cost of the commodity, insurance and freight charges, but excludes customs or any other duties paid on arrival. During August 2020, total imports were valued at P5, 683.0 million, a decrease of 5.3 percent (P320.0 million) compared to the revised July 2020 import figure of P6, 003.0 million. A decrease of 58.8 percent (P1, 014.3 million) was observed in Fuel imports. However, the increase of Diamonds imports by 84.0 percent (P792.0 million) counteracted the overall decrease in total imports to some extent.

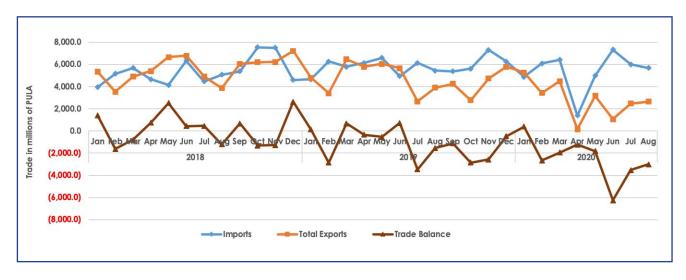
1.3 Total Exports

During August 2020, Botswana's export earnings went up by 7.9 percent (P193.9 million) from the revised value of P2, 466.1 million, recorded for July 2020 to P 2,660.0 million. The significant increase is attributed to the rise in the exportation of Diamonds from P1, 988.4 million to P2, 124.2 million. Machinery & Electrical Equipment also contributed to the positive trend by increasing from P133.2 million to P 241.7 million during the current period.

1.4 Trade Balance

A trade deficit of P3, 023.0 million was recorded during August 2020.

Chart 1.2: Total International Merchandise Trade – January 2018 to August 2020 (Million Pula)



2.0 Trade By Principal Commodity Groups

Principal commodity group refers 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' which 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 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

During August 2020, Botswana received total imports amounting to P5, 683.0 million. Diamonds contributed the most to total imports at 30.5 percent (P1,734.4 million), followed by Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel with contributions of 13.2 percent (P751.3 million) and 12.5 percent (P711.0 million) to the country's total imports respectively. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in **Table 2.1** and **Chart 2.1**.

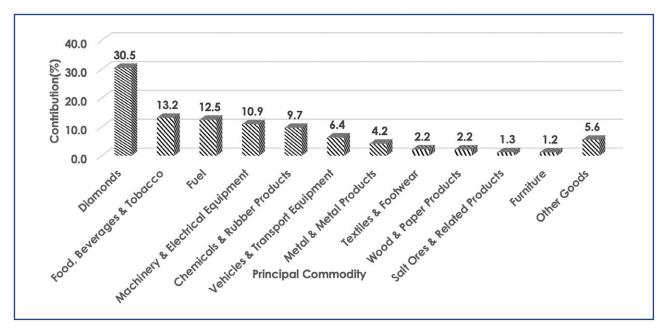


Chart 2.1: Composition of Principal Imports- August 2020

2.2 Principal Exports

Botswana's total exports for August 2020 were valued at P2, 660.0 million, with 79.9 percent (P2, 124.2 million) attributed to Diamonds. Machinery & Electrical Equipment accounted for 9.1 percent (P241.7 million) of total exports. Contributions made by other commodity groups are illustrated in Table 2.2 and Chart 2.2.

79.9 80.0 Contribution(%) 60.0 40.0 20.0 1.8 1.0 0.0 **Diamonds** Machinery & Salt & Soda Gold Vehicles & Meat & Other **Electrical** Transport Meat Goods Ash **Products** Equipment **Equipment Principal Commodity**

Chart 2.2 Composition of Principal Exports – August 2020

Note: "Other Goods" includes all other goods not specified in Table 2.2

The Direction of Trade analyses the value of merchandise trade between Botswana and her major trading partner countries. Thus direction discusses the last known destination for exports and sources of the country's imports. Only major trading partners are considered individually, while smaller trading partners are grouped together under a general category. Trade by major trading partner countries, regions and principal commodity groups for imports and exports, during August 2020 appear in **Table 3.1A** 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

The SACU region contributed 74.6 percent (P4, 237.8 million) of total imports into Botswana during the month under review (**Table 3.1**). The top most imported commodity group from the SACU region was Diamonds, with a contribution of 22.7 percent (P961.6 million) of total imports from the region (**Table 3.1A**). Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel followed with contributions of 16.9 percent (P718.0 million) and 16.3 percent (P691.3 million), respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 10.5 percent (P445.1 million) while Chemicals & Rubber Products accounted for 10.3 percent (P437.9 million).

In August 2020, imports from South Africa represented 70.2 percent (P3, 991.8) of total imports, with diamonds contributing 24.0 percent (P956.7 million) while Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Fuel contributed 17.1 percent (P683.4 million) and 12.9 percent (P514.2 million), respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment contributed 11.1 percent (P441.9 million) while Chemicals & Rubber Products contributed 10.9 percent (P433.4 million) of total imports from that country (refer to **Table 3.1** and **Table 3.1A**).

Imports from Namibia represented 3.7 percent (P211.0 million) of total imports during the month under review, with 84.0 percent (P177.1 million) of that total attributable to Fuel imports.

The Asia block supplied P603.3 million, representing 10.6 percent of total imports into Botswana in August 2020. The major commodity groups imported from the regional block were Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment with contributions of 25.0 percent (P150.8 million) and 21.3 percent (P128.4 million), respectively. Vehicles & Transport Equipment imports represented 13.8 percent (P83.5 million) of total imports from the regional block.

China, India and Hong Kong were the main sources of imports from Asia having contributed 3.7 percent (P212.7 million), 2.2 percent (P122.4 million) and 1.6 percent (P90.0 million) of the overall imports respectively.

Botswana received imports worth P626.1 million from the EU, accounting for 11.0 percent of total imports in August 2020. The major commodity group imported from the EU was Diamonds, accounting for 90.6 percent (P567.4 million) of imports from the union. Belgium was the major source of imports from the EU, at 10.1 percent (P574.3 million) of total imports.

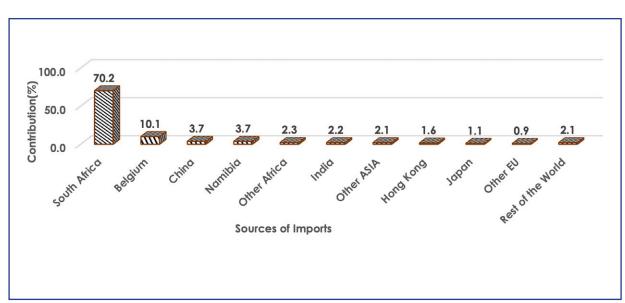


Chart 3.1: Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries – August 2020

3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

India and UAE were the major destinations for exports from Botswana during August 2020, having received 21.7 percent (P578.4 million) and 19.2 percent (P511.9 million) of total exports during the month. Diamonds contributed 99.8 percent (P577.6 million) for exports to India and 100 percent for UAE.

Belgium received 18.4 percent (P489.3 million) of total exports to the country all attributable to Diamonds, (refer to **Table 3.2B**).

South Africa received 16.1 percent (P 428.5 million), attributable to Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Diamonds at 25.8 percent (P 110.4 million) and 24.4 percent (P 104.4 million) of total exports to the country. Other destinations for exports can be observed in tables 3.2 A and 3.2 B.

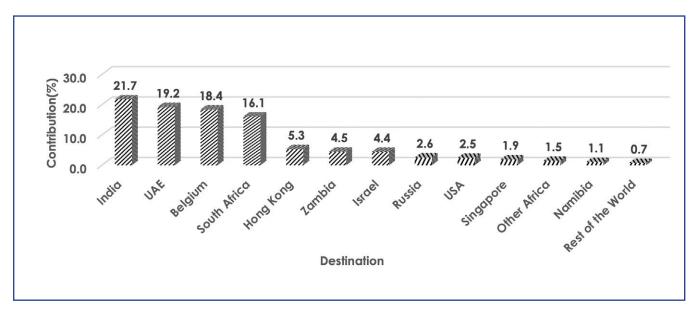


Chart 3.2: Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries – August 2020

4.0 Imports and Exports by Top imported and Exported Commodities

During this period of the Covid-19 pandemic whereby the economic situation is still uncertain, it is essential to present the most traded goods with a view to guiding users as to what commodities could be produced in the country for import substitution or possible exportation. The top traded commodities for both flows are presented in **Table 4.1A** for imports and **Table 4.1B** for exports.

5.0 Imports and Exports by Mode of Transport

For the purposes of the compilation of International Merchandise Trade Statistics, mode of transport refers to the method of transport used for the carriage of goods in and out of the country. The modes of transport that are mainly used in Botswana for international merchandise trade are Air, Road and Rail. **Table B** presents statistics relating to modes of transport while **Chart B** gives the graphical illustration.

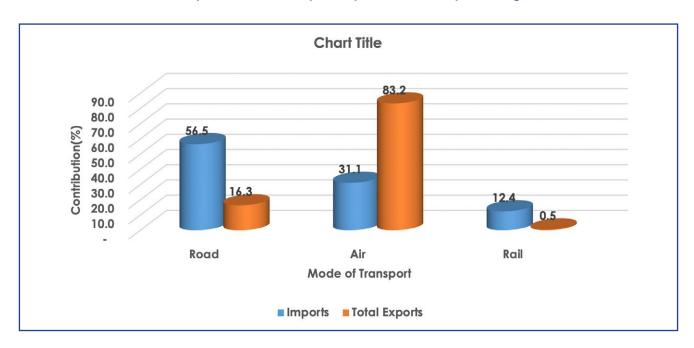
Total imports amounting to P3, 210.0 million, representing 56.5 percent, were transported into the country by Road. Transportation of imports by Air and Rail accounted for 31.1 percent (P1, 768.4 million) and 12.4 percent (P703.9 million) respectively.

During the period under review, 83.2 percent (P2, 213.6 million) of total exports were transported by Air while those transported by Road and Rail accounted for 16.3 percent (P434.4 million) and 0.5 percent (P12.0 million) respectively.

Table B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – August 2020 (Million Pula)

Flow Type	Impo	orts	Total Exports			
Trans type \ Flow Type	Value	%	Value	%		
Rail Transport	3,210.0	56.5	434.4	16.3		
Road Transport	1,768.4	31.1	2,213.6	83.2		
Air Transport	703.9	12.4	12.0	0.5		
Postal Transport	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Total	5,683.0	100.0	2,660.0	100.0		

Chart B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – August 2020



6.0 ANNEXURE

Table 1.0: Total Merchandise Trade – January 2018 to August 2020 (Million Pula)

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Period \ Indicators	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan_2018	3,944.9	3,760.5	183.6	0.9	5,363.8	0.1	5,363.9	1,418.9
Feb	5,158.4	4,964.2	193.0	1.2	3,533.5	1.3	3,534.8	(1,623.6)
Mar	5,690.4	5,482.1	207.1	1.2	4,893.7	2.9	4,896.6	(793.9)
Q1	14,793.8	14,206.8	583.7	3.3	13,791.0	4.3	13,795.3	(998.5)
Apr	4,677.4	4,495.5	180.9	1.0	5,408.1	1.6	5,409.6	732.3
May	4,143.9	3,937.6	205.3	1.0	6,664.3	8.2	6,672.5	2,528.6
Jun	6,347.8	6,146.8	200.2	0.8	6,792.8	0.0	6,792.8	445.0
Q2	15,169.1	14,579.9	586.4	2.8	18,865.1	9.8	18,875.0	3,705.9
Jul	4,467.7	4,275.6	191.0	1.0	4,920.1	1.6	4,921.7	454.0
Aug	5,090.0	4,864.3	224.7	1.0	3,869.3	0.2	3,869.4	(1,220.6)
Sep	5,393.6	5,171.3	220.8	1.6	6,062.2	0.5	6,062.7	669.0
Q3	14,951.4	14,311.2	636.5	3.6	14,851.6	2.2	14,853.8	(97.6)
Oct	7,545.6	7,298.8	245.4	1.4	6,213.0	2.8	6,215.9	(1,329.7)
Nov	7,499.3	7,238.4	258.7	2.2	6,232.2	0.7	6,232.9	(1,266.4)
Dec	4,610.5	4,379.0	230.5	1.1	7,237.8	0.0	7,237.9	2,627.3
Q4	19,655.5	18,916.2	734.5	4.7	19,683.0	3.6	19,686.6	31.2
Total_2018	64,569.7	62,014.1	2,541.1	14.5	67,190.7	19.9	67,210.6	2,640.9
Jan_2019	4,658.8	4,434.3	223.2	1.3	4,788.0	0.0	4,788.0	129.2
Feb	6,282.5	6,076.8	204.4	1.2	3,414.2	4.1	3,418.3	(2,864.2)
Mar	5,795.2	5,579.2	215.0	0.9	6,463.7	0.1	6,463.7	668.5
Q1	16,736.4	16,090.3	642.6	3.5	14,665.9	4.1	14,670.0	(2,066.5)
Apr	6,148.3	5,936.9	209.3	2.0	5,798.9	5.2	5,804.1	(344.2)
May	6,590.3	6,361.2	228.0	1.0	6,047.0	5.6	6,052.6	(537.7)
Jun	4,945.2	4,701.8	242.5	0.9	5,647.3	10.5	5,657.8	712.6
Q2	17,683.8	17,000.0	679.8	4.0	17,493.2	21.3	17,514.5	(169.3)
Jul	6,140.1	5,892.9	245.7	1.5	2,667.9	0.4	2,668.3	(3,471.8)
Aug	5,444.2	5,200.5	241.7	1.9	3,905.9	0.2	3,906.1	(1,538.1)
Sep	5,383.5	5,152.7	229.8	1.0	4,264.5	1.7	4,266.2	(1,117.3)
Q3	16,967.8	16,246.2	717.3	4.4	10,838.3	2.3	10,840.6	(6,127.2)
Oct	5,628.6	5,395.8	231.7	1.1	2,771.4	0.0	2,771.4	(2,857.2)
Nov	7,310.6	7,039.9	269.6	1.1	4,732.2	0.5	4,732.7	(2,578.0)
Dec	6,272.7	6,026.4	244.8	1.5	5,791.9	0.4	5,792.3	(480.4)
Q4	19,211.9	18,462.2	746.1	3.7	13,295.4	0.9	13,296.4	(5,915.6)
Total_2019	70,600.0	67,798.7	2,785.8	15.6	56,292.8	28.7	56,321.5	(14,278.5)
Jan_2020	4,876.9	4,653.9	222.1	0.9	5,268.4	9.2	5,277.7	400.8
Feb	6,091.7	5,820.4	269.9	1.4	3,432.2	0.6	3,432.8	(2,658.9)
Mar	6,428.3	6,163.6	263.3	1.4	4,485.3	0.2	4,485.6	(1,942.7)
Q1	17,397.0	16,638.0	755.3	3.7	13,186.0	10.1	13,196.1	(4,200.9)
Apr	1,382.5	1,294.5	87.6	0.4	146.2	0.1	146.3	(1,236.2)
Мау	4,991.6	4,753.9	237.0	0.6	3,172.3	0.0	3,172.3	(1,819.3)
Jun	7,328.5	7,076.4	251.1	1.0	1,063.3	0.2	1,063.5	(6,265.0)
Q2	13,702.6	13,124.9	575.7	2.0	4,381.8	0.2	4,382.0	(9,320.5)
Jul	6,003.0	5,711.6	290.1	1.3	2,465.9	0.2	2,466.1	(3,536.9)

Table 2.1: Principal Imports Commodity Groups –January 2018 to August 2020 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metal & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2018	396.5	779.0	628.8	643.7	35.2	617.1	159.4	42.1	84.6	293.6	110.6	154.3	3,944.9
Feb	427.0	1,597.8	620.2	606.1	60.0	682.9	215.9	34.1	128.2	473.7	123.4	189.1	5,158.4
Mar	432.0	1,904.0	663.4	676.3	68.0	708.0	230.9	48.3	157.7	478.9	138.9	184.0	5,690.4
Q1	1,255.5	4,280.8	1,912.5	1,926.1	163.2	2,008.0	606.3	124.5	370.5	1,246.2	372.9	527.4	14,793.8
Apr	403.3	1,424.3	564.1	614.0	60.6	549.0	207.7	40.3	139.0	362.1	118.6	194.3	4,677.4
May	494.0	426.2	695.6	691.3	61.4	663.9	241.7	54.0	123.3	362.3	142.0	188.2	4,143.9
Jun	439.5	2,726.4	595.2	654.7	69.7	661.7	274.2	45.2	126.8	484.5	111.8	158.2	6,347.8
Q2	1,336.8	4,577.0	1,854.8	1,960.0	191.8	1,874.6	723.6	139.5	389.1	1,208.8	372.4	540.7	15,169.1
Jul	447.7	986.8	590.8	665.4	50.4	607.6	227.6	38.3	134.6	412.2	117.9	188.4	4,467.7
Aug	507.6	1,016.1	676.5	728.8	68.9	772.6	260.7	45.7	158.7	484.1	117.4	253.0	5,090.0
Sep	494.8	1,372.7	656.0	757.7	67.0	871.1	257.1	63.5	163.9	380.7	138.6	170.6	5,393.6
Q3	1,450.0	3,375.6	1,923.4	2,151.9	186.3	2,251.3	745.5	147.5	457.2	1,276.9	373.9	612.0	7.545.4
Oct	605.1	2,978.1	756.8	891.4	81.8 85.2	831.8	272.6	63.8	212.0	510.2	158.2	183.5	7,545.6 7,499.3
Nov Dec	601.6 478.9	2,766.1 370.2	829.9 641.4	844.9 741.1	61.2	849.5 618.8	338.5 225.2	65.8 48.6	218.8 141.5	535.2 532.1	153.8 148.1	210.1 603.5	4,610.5
Q4	1,685.6	6,114.5	2,228.1	2,477.4	228.2	2,300.1	836.3	178.3	572.3	1,577.4	460.1	997.2	19,655.5
Total_2018	5,727.9	18,347.8	7,918.8	8,515.4	769.4	8,433.9	2,911.6	589.9	1,789.1	5,309.4	1,579.4	2,677.3	64,569.7
Jan_2019	441.7	800.3	691.0	590.1	47.3	615.4	240.2	50.9	95.8	763.7	103.6	218.7	4,658.8
Feb	501.6	2,535.5	633.9	536.6	56.8	634.1	268.4	47.4	137.5	647.7	119.6	163.4	6,282.5
Mar	482.6	2,019.9	699.3	586.8	66.9	725.8	306.4	52.4	161.1	378.9	129.6	185.5	5,795.2
Q1	1,425.9	5,355.6	2,024.2	1,713.5	171.0	1,975.3	814.9	150.8	394.4	1,790.3	352.9	567.7	16,736.4
Apr	424.9	2,315.3	604.6	603.2	62.0	717.9	360.2	51.4	126.4	609.7	120.5	152.1	6,148.3
Мау	504.8	2,355.8	678.4	655.8	61.2	693.7	316.7	65.8	117.2	788.4	139.6	212.9	6,590.3
Jun	491.6	789.7	653.8	906.7	58.1	773.1	437.4	56.9	99.4	386.0	129.6	163.1	4,945.2
Q2	1,421.3	5,460.7	1,936.8	2,165.7	181.3	2,184.7	1,114.3	174.1	343.0	1,784.1	389.7	528.1	17,683.8
Jul	531.1	1,671.6	700.1	947.1	71.5	739.7	301.4	66.0	134.5	508.7	127.5	340.9	6,140.1
Aug	551.2	1,010.4	806.0	938.9	71.3	779.1	276.4	65.1	139.5	437.5	157.3	211.5	5,444.2
Sep	558.2	1,265.0	774.8	696.6	63.9	820.7	252.3	59.5	163.0	390.2	147.5	191.9	5,383.5
Q3	1,640.5	3,947.0	2,280.9	2,582.6	206.6	2,339.5	830.1	190.6	437.0	1,336.4	432.3	744.2	16,967.8
Oct	569.5	1,405.0	813.3	694.7	74.4	727.0	261.7	59.7	171.2	460.2	158.5	233.4	5,628.6
Nov	651.4	2,265.9	886.9	646.9	68.1	909.7	294.8	58.0	160.6	1,010.7	144.7	212.9	7,310.6
Dec	635.3	1,599.3	1,061.3	1,057.2	67.8	638.5	233.7	57.1	122.6	437.8	145.0	217.2	6,272.7
Q4	1,856.2	5,270.2	2,761.5	2,398.7	210.3	2,275.2	790.2	174.8	454.4	1,908.6	448.2	663.5	19,211.9
Total_2019	6,343.8	20,033.6	9,003.4	8,860.5	769.2	8,774.8	3,549.6	690.3	1,628.8	6,819.5	1,623.0	2,503.5	70,600.0
Jan_2020	520.2	669.9	800.5	1,037.3	54.6	761.7	207.1	60.6	93.8	382.6	116.8	171.9	4,876.9
Feb	526.9	967.6	823.1	731.1	71.8	867.5	282.2	71.5	154.3	820.0	149.3	626.4	6,091.7
Mar	619.2	1,660.0	865.8	1,080.7	65.3	863.5	248.6	53.9	148.7	463.9	128.5	230.3	6,428.3
Q1	1,666.3	3,297.5	2,489.5	2,849.1	191.7	2,492.6	737.9	186.0	396.8	1,666.5	394.5	1,028.6	17,397.0
Apr	273.3	-	521.2	208.9	5.7	192.9	34.8	5.7	32.7	18.2	34.7	54.4	1,382.5
May	502.1	974.1	571.2	1,011.8	33.8	486.4	148.1	30.6	116.9	792.5	86.5	237.6	4,991.6
Jun	665.1	3,426.7	670.4	547.8	65.8	764.3	228.8	59.4	122.3	459.7	125.8	192.6	7,328.5
Q2	1,440.4	4,400.8	1,762.8	1,768.5	105.3	1,443.6	411.7	95.7	271.8	1,270.4	247.0	484.5	13,702.6
Jul	639.0	942.4	752.7	1,725.3	57.2	661.8	262.7	62.0	105.5	466.1	129.0	199.3	6,003.0
Aug **Bistribution**	553.2	1,734.4	751.3	711.0	68.1	621.3	239.2	71.5	126.3	362.7	125.1	318.7	5,683.0
% DISTRIBUTION 2018	n 8.9	28.4	12.3	13.2	1.2	13.1	4.5	0.9	2.8	8.2	2.4	4.1	100.0
2018	9.0	28.4 28.4	12.3	12.6	1.2			1.0	2.8	8.2 9.7	2.4	3.5	100.0
Jul_2020	10.6	26.4 15.7	12.5	28.7	1.0	12.4 11.0	5.0 4.4	1.0	1.8	7.7	2.3 2.1	3.3	100.0
Jui_2020 Aug_2020	9.7	30.5	13.2	12.5	1.0	10.9	4.4	1.0	2.2	6.4	2.1	5.6	100.0
	7.7	50.5	13.2	12.3	1,4	10.7	7.4	1.3	۷.۷	0.4	2.2	3.0	100.0

Table 2.2 Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2018 to August 2020 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel- Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2018	1.5	4,959.7	17.2	2.2	13.1	114.5	54.9	22.6	67.1	15.7	29.0	66.4	5,363.9
Feb	3.8	2,993.2	29.7	2.8	14.8	177.5	88.0	17.3	65.7	17.2	53.9	71.0	3,534.8
Mar	0.8	4,391.9	37.9	3.2	21.0	151.5	60.8	22.7	57.4	21.5	38.1	89.8	4,896.6
Q1	6.1	12,344.8	84.8	8.3	48.9	443.4	203.7	62.5	190.1	54.4	121.0	227.2	13,795.3
Apr	0.3	4,916.1	49.6	2.9	13.3	127.5	60.4	20.7	55.0	18.9	50.2	94.8	5,409.6
May	4.3	6,059.7	42.1	2.2	13.3	188.0	75.7	24.9	63.9	24.6	43.1	130.7	6,672.5
Jun	14.8	6,277.5	41.8	2.3	13.4	115.5	141.2	21.0	33.9	18.4	35.2	77.9	6,792.8
Q2	19.3	17,253.3	133.5	7.5	40.0	430.9	277.4	66.6	152.7	61.8	128.5	303.3	18,875.0
Jul	12.0	4,437.4	42.4	1.8	10.6	140.0	75.1	12.5	62.5	16.2	27.6	83.6	4,921.7
Aug	7.3	3,256.0	43.9	1.6	13.0	186.1	120.2	23.9	64.4	15.3	28.9	108.7	3,869.4
Sep	16.0	5,297.9	28.2	0.8	9.4	232.4	79.4	22.4	240.5	19.4	33.7	82.4	6,062.7
Q3	35.3	12,991.4	114.4	4.2	33.1	558.5	274.7	58.8	367.4	51.0	90.2	274.7	14,853.8
Oct	8.0	5,477.8	37.0	1.5	15.3	195.6	62.1	33.0	64.5	23.4	143.4	154.3	6,215.9
Nov	8.0	5,596.6	44.0	0.6	12.2	194.7	66.4	18.1	58.5	26.0	98.7	116.3	6,232.9
Dec	1.8	6,747.4	37.6	0.7	10.1	120.9	86.9	18.4	51.8	19.0	37.3	106.0	7,237.9
Q4	10.6	17,821.7	118.6	2.8	37.6	511.2	215.4	69.4	174.9	68.5	279.4	376.6	19,686.6
Total_2018	71.4	60,411.1	451.3	22.7	159.6	1,944.0	971.3	257.3	885.2	235.7	619.1	1,181.9	67,210.6
Jan_2019	0.1	4,414.8	32.6	0.1	9.6	66.1	32.3	8.6	53.5	14.2	24.1	132.1	4,788.0
Feb	0.2	3,052.5	32.2	0.2	12.7	109.1	39.3	9.8	44.7	14.2	24.0	79.3	3,418.3
Mar	0.3	6,052.0	28.5	0.2	12.1	152.0	21.4	13.8	54.6	13.1	44.0	71.8	6,463.7
Q1	0.6	13,519.3	93.3	0.5	34.4	327.2	93.0	32.2	152.8	41.5	92.1	283.2	14,670.0
Apr	0.1	5,388.5	39.5	1.0	12.0	136.9	41.7	14.2	42.9	13.8	31.7	81.7	5,804.1
May	0.1	5,554.2	29.2	0.2	19.8	141.6	75.8	20.2	55.9	12.3	26.4	116.9	6,052.6
Jun	0.1	5,145.2	57.0	0.1	16.9	139.6	101.0	13.8	30.5	11.6	32.8	109.3	5,657.8
Q2	0.3	16,087.8	125.7	1.3	48.7	418.2	218.5	48.3	129.3	37.7	90.9	307.9	17,514.5
Jul	1.0 0.2	2,253.2 3,420.0	22.8	0.2	11.9 17.4	132.2 159.4	59.1	15.6 16.9	56.4 46.2	10.3 13.2	24.3	81.5 85.9	2,668.3 3,906.1
Aug Sep	0.2	3,739.5	51.1 45.7	1.1	20.8	137.4	64.0 89.8	20.4	61.1	12.9	31.5 41.9	84.2	4,266.2
Q3	1.3	9,412.7	119.6	1.5	50.2	440.3	212.8	52.9	163.7	36.4	97.7	251.6	10,840.6
Oct	0.2	2,297.7	33.8	1.5	22.6	124.7	94.6	21.4	35.6	12.1	30.9	96.4	2,771.4
Nov	0.2	4,293.1	29.1	0.3	13.9	160.7	24.0	30.0	33.5	17.1	42.2	88.7	4,732.7
Dec	0.1	5,398.8	34.9	0.2	7.1	81.5	16.5	17.5	45.9	14.8	45.9	129.0	5,792.3
Q4	0.5	11,989.7	97.8	2.0	43.5	366.9	135.1	68.9	115.0	44.0	118.9	314.1	13,296.4
Total_2019	2.6	51,009.5	436.5	5.3	176.7	1,552.5	659.5	202.3	560.8	159.5	399.6	1,156.8	56,321.5
Jan_2020	0.2	4,801.5	20.5	0.1	13.0	159.9	12.4	23.1	64.1	15.6	28.1	139.2	5,277.7
Feb	1.7	2,888.3	46.7	0.1	16.0	168.4	14.8	21.9	65.5	14.9	30.6	164.0	3,432.8
Mar	280.3	3,750.1	22.6	0.1	11.0	128.3	8.3	19.4	53.9	12.9	32.9	165.6	4,485.6
Q1	282.2	11,439.9	89.8	0.2	40.1	456.6	35.6	64.4	183.5	43.4	91.6	468.8	13,196.1
Apr	3.7	0.0	50.9	0.0	0.5	3.0	12.9	2.5	41.3	0.0	0.0	31.4	146.3
May	3.5	2,931.6	24.7	0.0	3.5	69.2	18.3	11.6	46.5	7.2	3.6	52.7	3,172.3
Jun	2.1	643.1	23.9	0.1	12.0	117.2	18.2	22.9	77.9	11.1	26.9	108.0	1,063.5
Q2	9.2	3,574.6	99.5	0.1	16.0	189.4	49.4	37.0	165.7	18.2	30.5	192.2	4,382.0
Jul	2.2	1,988.4	70.2	0.0	14.9	133.2	32.9	20.3	52.5	12.6	32.6	106.3	2,466.1
Aug	3.1	2,124.2	48.1	0.0	9.4	241.7	25.3	20.6	55.9	12.7	31.4	87.5	2,660.0
% Distribution													
2018	0.1	89.9	0.7	0.0	0.2	2.9	1.4	0.4	1.3	0.4	0.9	1.8	100.0
2019	0.0	90.6	0.8	0.0	0.3	2.8	1.2	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.7	2.1	100.0
Jul_2020	0.1	80.6	2.8	0.0	0.6	5.4	1.3	0.8	2.1	0.5	1.3	4.3	100.0
Aug_2020	0.1	79.9	1.8	0.0	0.4	9.1	1.0	0.8	2.1	0.5	1.2	3.3	100.0

Table 2.3: Diamonds Trade – January 2018 to August 2020 (Million Pula)

Flow Type			Imp	orts					Total Ex	ports		
Period \ HS	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan_2018	495.1	0.0	0.0	175.1	108.7	779.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	4,753.3	204.9	4,959.7
Feb	314.3	1.4	0.0	1,119.0	163.1	1,597.8	0.0	3.8	0.0	2,442.0	547.4	2,993.2
Mar	189.6	0.5	0.0	1,613.6	100.4	1,904.0	117.8	5.3	0.1	3,639.2	629.6	4,391.9
Q1	998.9	1.9	0.0	2,907.7	372.3	4,280.8	117.8	10.5	0.1	10,834.5	1,381.9	12,344.8
Apr	232.6	0.0	0.0	1,058.1	133.6	1,424.3	0.0	3.7	0.0	4,443.3	469.1	4,916.1
May	0.0	0.0	0.0	128.6	297.5	426.2	2.9	2.6	0.0	5,115.1	939.1	6,059.7
Jun	991.7	0.2	0.0	1,295.7	438.9	2,726.4	1.3	7.6	0.0	5,461.5	807.2	6,277.5
Q2	1,224.3	0.2	0.0	2,482.3	870.0	4,577.0	4.2	13.8	0.0	15,019.9	2,215.4	17,253.3
Jul	633.0	2.2	0.0	242.6	109.0	986.8	0.0	8.1	0.0	3,650.0	779.3	4,437.4
Aug	721.3	0.0	0.0	149.8	145.0	1,016.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,343.0	913.0	3,256.0
Sep	227.1	0.0	0.0	892.6	253.0	1,372.7	0.2	10.0	0.0	4,636.5	651.3	5,297.9
Q3	1,581.4	2.2	0.0	1,285.0	507.0	3,375.6	0.2	18.0	0.0	10,629.6	2,343.5	12,991.4
Oct	205.7	0.0	0.0	2,316.4	456.0	2,978.1	5.9	8.7	0.0	4,609.6	853.6	5,477.8
Nov	1,241.9	0.8	0.0	1,169.4	354.0	2,766.1	0.0	13.1	0.0	4,492.7	1,090.7	5,596.6
Dec	0.0	0.1	0.0	119.0	251.2	370.2	0.0	19.7	0.0	5,922.3	805.4	6,747.4
Q4	1,447.6	0.8	0.0	3,604.8	1,061.2	6,114.5	5.9	41.5	0.0	15,024.6	2,749.7	17,821.7
Total_2018	5,252.2	5.3	0.0	10,279.8	2,810.5	18,347.8	128.1	83.9	0.1	51,508.6	8,690.5	60,411.1
Jan_2019	196.0	2.6	0.0	293.7	308.0	800.3	0.0	3.6	0.0	3,968.4	442.9	4,414.8
Feb	1,130.0	2.5	0.0	984.1	418.9	2,535.5	1.1	6.3	0.0	2,205.8	839.3	3,052.5
Mar	290.2	0.0	0.0	1,287.1	442.5	2,019.9	0.0	13.6	0.0	5,124.9	913.5	6,052.0
Q1	1,616.2	5.1	0.0	2,564.9	1,169.4	5,355.6	1.1	23.5	0.0	11,299.1	2,195.7	13,519.3
Apr	358.2	0.0	0.0	867.6	1,089.4	2,315.3	0.0	6.8	0.0	4,574.0	807.7	5,388.5
May	1,297.7	0.0	0.0	506.8	551.3	2,355.8	0.3	26.6	0.0	4,718.2	809.1	5,554.2
Jun	0.0	0.0	0.0	353.7	435.9	789.7	0.0	7.5	0.0	4,076.8	1,060.9	5,145.2
Q2	1,655.9	0.0	0.0	1,728.1	2,076.7	5,460.7	0.3	41.0	0.0	13,369.0	2,677.6	16,087.8
Jul	542.3	1.8	0.0	892.5	235.0	1,671.6	0.3	2.0	0.0	1,483.6	767.3	2,253.2
Aug	184.8	0.2	0.9	598.1	226.4	1,010.4	0.0	5.4	0.0	2,840.2	574.4	3,420.0
Sep	223.5	0.0	0.0	929.4	112.1	1,265.0	0.0	4.9	0.0	2,520.5	1,214.2	3,739.5
Q3	950.6	2.0	0.9	2,420.0	573.5	3,947.0	0.3	12.3	0.0	6,844.2	2,555.9	9,412.7
Oct	247.7	0.0	0.0	1,041.7	115.6	1,405.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	1,905.0	392.7	2,297.7
Nov	36.4	0.1	0.0	1,539.9	689.5	2,265.9	0.3	8.7	0.0	3,684.9	599.2	4,293.1
Dec	289.8	1.7	0.0	1,192.4	115.4	1,599.3	0.0	6.5	0.0	4,832.2	560.2	5,398.8
Q4	573.9	1.8	0.0	3,774.0	920.6	5,270.2	0.3	15.2	0.0	10,422.1	1,552.1	11,989.7
Total_2019	4,796.6	9.0	0.9	10,487.0	4,740.2	20,033.6	2.0	91.9	0.0	41,934.3	8,981.2	51,009.5
Jan_2020	191.6	0.0	0.0	179.0	299.3	669.9	0.0	0.9	0.0	4,329.8	470.9	4,801.5
Feb	251.4	0.0	0.0	458.4	257.8	967.6	1.8	9.8	0.0	2,078.6	798.0	2,888.3
Mar	310.9	0.4	0.0	1,098.4	250.3	1,660.0	0.0	8.1	0.0	3,067.0	675.0	3,750.1
Q1	753.8	0.4	0.0	1,735.8	807.4	3,297.5	1.8	18.8	0.0	9,475.4	1,943.9	11,439.9
Apr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
May	0.0	0.0	0.0	900.2	73.9	974.1	0.0	0.8	0.0	2,453.7	477.0	2,931.6
Jun	267.1	1.2	0.0	2,731.8	426.6	3,426.7	0.0	0.8	0.0	264.9	377.4	643.1
Q2	267.1	1.2	0.0	3,632.1	500.4	4,400.8	0.0	1.6	0.0	2,718.6	854.5	3,574.6
Jul	236.0	0.0		3,632.1	318.3	942.4		3.0	0.0			
			0.0				0.0			1,336.6	648.8	1,988.4
Aug	53.1	0.0	0.0	1,562.4	118.9	1,734.4	0.0	1.9	0.0	1,707.0	415.4	2,124.2

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 – August 2020 (Million Pula)

Partner \ HS	Chemicals &Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food Bev- erages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metal & Met- al Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textile & Footwear (IMPORTS)	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Pa- per Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	433.4	956.7	683.4	514.2	62.5	441.9	207.1	61.8	91.1	262.4	104.9	172.6	3,991.8
Namibia	0.4	4.9	8.6	177.1	0.0	3.2	2.9	8.5	0.0	4.5	0.2	0.7	211.0
Swaziland	4.2	0.0	26.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	0.3	33.9
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.1
SACU	437.9	961.6	718.0	691.3	62.5	445.1	209.9	70.3	91.9	267.3	108.4	173.6	4,237.8
Other SADC	1.2	1.5	18.3	6.6	0.4	3.7	15.0	1.0	0.1	4.4	9.1	0.3	61.6
SADC	439.1	963.1	736.4	697.9	62.8	448.8	225.0	71.2	92.0	271.7	117.5	173.8	4,299.4
Other AFRICA	30.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	34.2
AFRICA	469.2	963.1	736.4	697.9	62.8	449.6	225.0	71.2	95.0	271.7	117.5	174.1	4,333.6
China	15.3	0.0	1.4	0.0	2.8	35.0	8.0	0.2	12.9	8.4	0.9	127.8	212.7
India	16.5	88.7	8.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	1.7	0.1	0.4	8.4	0.9	2.6	122.4
Hong Kong, SAR China	16.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	2.0	56.3	1.7	0.0	11.7	0.3	0.0	1.1	90.0
Japan	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	59.5	0.0	0.0	60.5
Other ASIA	4.0	62.0	3.8	0.4	0.0	34.0	0.9	0.0	3.4	7.0	0.6	1.6	117.7
ASIA	52.6	150.8	6.0	0.4	4.8	128.4	12.4	0.3	28.4	83.5	2.4	133.1	603.3
Belgium	5.1	567.4	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	574.3
Other EU	14.4	0.0	6.1	0.0	0.0	20.8	0.4	0.0	2.0	0.8	0.9	6.4	51.8
EU	19.5	567.4	6.9	0.0	0.0	21.1	0.8	0.0	2.0	0.8	0.9	6.6	626.1
EFTA	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.6	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	13.9
Rest of the World	11.8	53.1	2.0	0.1	0.5	21.1	1.0	0.0	0.9	6.7	4.2	4.8	106.0
WORLD	553.2	1,734.4	751.3	711.0	68.1	621.3	239.2	71.5	126.3	362.7	125.1	318.7	5,683.0

Table 3.1B: Principal Imports Commodity Groups as a percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level – August 2020

Partner \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food Bev- erages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metal & Met- al Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textile & Footwear (IMPORTS)	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Pa- per Products	Other Goods	All Chapters
South Africa	10.9	24.0	17.1	12.9	1.6	11.1	5.2	1.5	2.3	6.6	2.6	4.3	100.0
Namibia	0.2	2.3	4.1	84.0	0.0	1.5	1.4	4.0	0.0	2.1	0.1	0.3	100.0
Swaziland	12.4	0.0	76.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	9.8	0.9	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	70.8	28.3	0.0	0.0	100.0
SACU	10.3	22.7	16.9	16.3	1.5	10.5	5.0	1.7	2.2	6.3	2.6	4.1	100.0
Other SADC	2.0	2.4	29.8	10.7	0.6	6.0	24.4	1.6	0.2	7.2	14.8	0.4	100.0
SADC	10.2	22.4	17.1	16.2	1.5	10.4	5.2	1.7	2.1	6.3	2.7	4.0	100.0
Other AFRICA	87.9	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.8	100.0
AFRICA	10.8	22.2	17.0	16.1	1.4	10.4	5.2	1.6	2.2	6.3	2.7	4.0	100.0
China	7.2	0.0	0.6	0.0	1.3	16.4	3.8	0.1	6.0	4.0	0.4	60.1	100.0
India	13.5	72.4	0.7	0.0	0.0	1.9	1.4	0.1	0.4	6.8	0.8	2.1	100.0
Hong Kong	18.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	2.2	62.6	1.9	0.0	13.0	0.3	0.0	1.2	100.0
Japan	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	98.3	0.0	0.1	100.0
Other ASIA	3.4	52.7	3.2	0.4	0.0	28.9	0.8	0.0	2.9	5.9	0.5	1.4	100.0
ASIA	8.7	25.0	1.0	0.1	0.8	21.3	2.1	0.0	4.7	13.8	0.4	22.1	100.0
Belgium	0.9	98.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	27.9	0.0	11.7	0.0	0.0	40.1	0.7	0.0	3.9	1.6	1.7	12.4	100.0
EU	3.1	90.6	1.1	0.0	0.0	3.4	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	1.1	100.0
EFTA	0.0	0.0	0.1	90.7	0.0	8.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	100.0
Rest of the World	11.1	50.1	1.9	0.0	0.5	19.9	1.0	0.0	0.9	6.3	4.0	4.5	100.0
WORLD	9.7	30.5	13.2	12.5	1.2	10.9	4.2	1.3	2.2	6.4	2.2	5.6	100.0

Table 3.2 A: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Import Commodity Groups – August 2020 (Million Pula)

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Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plas- tic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	3.1	104.4	48.1	0.0	6.4	110.4	10.1	16.0	42.7	11.5	21.4	54.4	428.5
Namibia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	10.0	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.4	2.5	12.4	28.7
Lesotho	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
Swaziland	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	3.1	104.4	48.1	0.0	8.0	120.3	10.1	17.8	42.7	11.9	23.9	66.9	457.3
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	108.3	0.0	1.2	7.1	0.0	0.3	2.3	119.3
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	10.8	1.8	1.7	6.1	0.7	6.5	7.2	35.1
SADC	3.1	104.4	48.1	0.0	8.3	239.5	11.9	20.6	55.9	12.7	30.7	76.4	611.7
Other AFRICA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	4.2
AFRICA	3.1	104.4	48.1	0.0	8.4	240.0	11.9	20.6	55.9	12.7	30.7	79.9	615.9
India	0.0	577.6	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	578.4
UAE	0.0	511.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	511.9
Hong Kong	0.0	135.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.1	141.4
Israel	0.0	117.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	117.8
Russia	0.0	68.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	68.5
Singapore	0.0	51.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	51.0
Other ASIA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7
ASIA	0.0	1,461.9	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.2	1,470.7
Belgium	0.0	489.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	489.3
Other EU	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	11.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.7	14.2
EU	0.0	492.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	11.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.7	503.5
USA	0.0	65.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.2	66.1
Rest of the World	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	3.8
WORLD	3.1	2,124.2	48.1	0.0	9.4	241.7	25.3	20.6	55.9	12.7	31.4	87.5	2,660.0

Table 3.2 B: Principal Exports Commodity Groups as a percentage of Total Imports at Country and Regional Level – August 2020

Regional Leve	i Augus	1 2020											
Partner \ HS	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron & Steel Products	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Prod- ucts	Plastic & Plastic Prod- ucts	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	0.7	24.4	11.2	0.0	1.5	25.8	2.4	3.7	10.0	2.7	5.0	12.7	100.0
Namibia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.5	34.7	0.0	6.1	0.0	1.5	8.9	43.4	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	70.6	0.0	13.1	100.0
Swaziland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	35.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	64.1	100.0
SACU	0.7	22.8	10.5	0.0	1.8	26.3	2.2	3.9	9.3	2.6	5.2	14.6	100.0
Zambia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	90.8	0.0	1.0	6.0	0.0	0.2	2.0	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	30.8	5.1	4.8	17.4	2.0	18.5	20.4	100.0
SADC	0.5	17.1	7.9	0.0	1.4	39.2	1.9	3.4	9.1	2.1	5.0	12.5	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	11.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	85.6	100.0
AFRICA	0.5	17.0	7.8	0.0	1.4	39.0	1.9	3.4	9.1	2.1	5.0	13.0	100.0
India	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
UAE	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Hong Kong	0.0	95.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	100.0
Israel	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Russia	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Singapore	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other ASIA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	97.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.2	100.0
ASIA	0.0	99.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	100.0
Belgium	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other EU	0.0	23.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.3	82.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	4.9	100.0
EU	0.0	97.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	100.0
USA	0.0	98.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.3	100.0
Rest of the World	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.3	100.0
WORLD	0.1	79.9	1.8	0.0	0.4	9.1	1.0	0.8	2.1	0.5	1.2	3.3	100.0

ank	HS	Description	Value	
WIIK	71023100	Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set: Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	1,562,376,373.7	
			301,283,716.6	27
<u> </u>	27101230 27101202	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1(g)	,,	5
} -		Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1(b)	233,109,894.1	4
	90192000	Ozone therapy, oxygen therapy, aerosol therapy, artificial respiration or other therapeutic r	120,980,970.8	2
	27160000	Electrical energy	120,669,087.4	2
	71023900	Other Diamonds	118,901,174.6	1
	87032390	Other Motor Cars And Other Motor Vehicles Principally Designed For The Transport Of Persons (Excluding Those Of Heading 87.02)	103,760,162.3	
	30049090	Other Medicaments (Excluding Goods Of Heading 30.02, 30.05 Or 30.06) Consisting Of Mixed Or Unmixed Products For Therapeutic Or Prophylactic Uses	87,048,137.8	
	25232900	Other cement	66,388,041.9	
)	17011400	Other cane sugar	57,679,637.4	
	71021000	Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:Unsorted	53,093,862.7	
2	10019900	Other Wheat or Mueslin Flour	44,590,408.4	
	10059010	Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption, not further prepared or proce	40,872,499.6	
	38220000	Diagnostic or laboratory reagents on a backing, prepared diagnostic or laboratory reagents wh	37,986,707.5	
	87089990	Other Parts And Accessories Of The Motor Vehicles Of Headings 87.01 To 87.05	37,435,105.4	
	85171210	Telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks: DESIGNED FOR USE WHEN CARRIED IN THE HAND OR ON THE PERSON	35,654,602.7	
	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	32,940,030.6	
	85176100	Base stations	30,915,165.7	
	68129100	Clothing, clothing accessories, footwear and headgear	28,719,708.8	
	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the	25,957,469.9	
	85176290	Other machines for reception	24,135,982.7	
	10063000	Rice: Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	24,130,714.7	
	84314990	Other Parts Suitable For Use Solely Or Principally With The Machinery Of Headings 84.25 To 84.30; Excluding Of Machinery Of Heading 84.26, 84.29 Or 84.30 Not Elsewhere Specified	23,774,838.9	
	87042390	Other Shuttle cars for use in underground mines: low construction flame proof vehicles, equipped with control mechanisms both in the front and at the rear	23,194,444.8	
	87042181	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 000 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 k	22,860,702.0	
	90189000	Other instruments and appliances	21,521,827.0	
	33049990	Other Beauty Or Make-Up Preparations And Preparations For The Care Of The Skin (Excluding Medicaments), Including Sunscreen Or Sun Tan Preparations; Manicure Or Pedicure Preparations	21,408,970.5	
	84713000	Portable automatic data processing machines, of a mass not exceeding 10 KG	21,311,467.0	
	85444990	OTHER Insulated (Including Enamelled Or Anodised) Wire, Cable (Including Co-Axial Cable) And Other Insulated Electric Conductors	18,360,449.6	
	87043190	Other Motor Vehicles For The Transport Of Goods; Other, With Spark-Ignition Internal Combustion Piston Engine	17,744,376.2	
	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	17,722,367.7	
	34012000	Soap in other forms	17,587,756.9	
	17049000	Other Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	17,434,800.5	
	39269090	Other Articles Of Plastics And Articles Of Other Materials Of Headings 39.01 To 39.14	16,952,174.5	
	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	16,572,909.1	
	19041000	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal products	16,527,385.6	
	84741000	Sorting, screening, separating or washing machines	16,254,727.3	
	34022000	Preparations put up for retail sale	16,213,954.1	
	23099092	Other Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding	16,076,503.1	
	84304100	Self-propelled	15,418,433.4	
	34029000	Other (surface-active preparations, washing preparations (including auxiliary washing prepara	15,187,290.5	
	87042290	Other Motor Vehicles For The Transport Of Goods; Other, With Compression-Ignition Internal Combustion Piston Engine (Diesel Or Semi-Diesel)	14,951,821.2	
	20098950	Other fruit juices	14,937,226.1	
	09109900	Other spices	14,665,217.4	
	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substances	14,439,024.4	
	44071100	Coniferous Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded	14,202,705.8	
	31023000	Ammonium nitrate, whether or not in aqueous solution	14,001,803.9	
,	84749000	Machinery for sorting, screening, separating, washing, crushing, grinding, mixing or kneading earth, stone, ores or other mineral substances, in solid (including powder or paste) form;: Parts	13,930,669.6	
	04012009	Other milk, whether or not containing added minerals, vitamins, enzymes and similar additives	13,604,880.0	
	84303100	Coal or rock cutters and tunnelling machinery: Self-propelled	13,496,535.0	

Table 4.1 A Cont.: Top 100 Imported Goods – August 2020 (Pula); Continued

Rank	HS	Description	Value	%
51	73089090	Other Structures (Excluding Prefabricated Buildings Of Heading 94.06) And Parts Of Structures	12,924,234.3	0.2
52	64059090	Other footwear	12,653,322.9	0.2
53	73269090	Other articles of iron or steel Not Elsewhere Specified	12,622,697.5	0.2
54	27101252	OTHER PREPARED LUBRICATING OILS	12,540,233.7	0.2
55	19053100	SWEET BISCUITS	12,446,813.1	0.2
56	04031000	Yoghurt	12,325,124.8	0.2
57	23040000	Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting	11,974,962.8	0.2
58	27111390 52083900	Other Butanes, Liquefied	11,686,991.2	0.2
59	10059090	Other fabrics, dyed	11,590,003.1	0.2
60		Other (Maize (Corn))	11,429,608.8	0.2
61	94035000 94036000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom	11,277,846.4	0.2
62		Other wooden furniture	11,044,090.2	0.2
63	72022900	Other Ferro-silicon other than those Containing by mass more than 55 per cent of silicon	10,990,624.7	0.2
64	84306900 20099010	Other machinery, not self-propelled: excluding Tamping or compacting machinery	10,929,388.7	0.2
65	84295900	Mixtures of Fruit juices	10,528,230.7	0.2
66	87163100	Other Mechanical shovels, excavators and shovel loaders:	10,313,932.3	0.2
67		TANKER TRAILERS AND TANKER SEMI-TRAILERS	10,181,209.9	0.2
68	40118020	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber, of a kind used on construction, mining or industrial handling	9,975,321.6	0.2
69	87033390	" OtherHearses and Ambulances Of a cylinder capacity exceeding 2 500 cm ³ :	9,938,864.6	0.2
70	21032000	TOMATO KETCHUP AND OTHER TOMATO SAUCES	9,861,367.5	0.2
71	87164000	Other trailers and semi-trailers	9,800,516.7	0.2
72	48181000	TOILET PAPER	9,687,617.5	0.2
73	21039091	Mayonnaise, put up in packaging for retail sale	9,630,291.1	0.2
74	74081100	Copper wire:Of refined copper;of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	9,214,834.3	0.2
75	87032290	Other Motors Vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons of a cylinder capacity exceeding 1000cm3 but Not exceeding 1500cm3 other than Hearses and Ambulances	9,057,531.6	0.2
76	34011900	Other Soap and organic surface-active products and preparations, in the form of bars, cakes,	8,814,059.8	0.2
77	33072090	Other Personal deodorants and antiperspirants	8,461,631.6	0.1
78	72104100	Corrugated	8,407,960.4	0.1
79	87043181	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 000 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 k	8,344,556.9	0.1
80	44182000	Doors and their frames and thresholds	8,284,623.1	0.1
81	87019300	Exceeding 37 kW but not exceeding 75 kW	8,243,235.4	0.1
82	19011000	Preparations suitable for infants or young children, put up for retail sale	8,177,299.9	0.1
83	19023000	Other pasta	8,149,269.4	0.1
84	30023000	VACCINES FOR VETERINARY MEDICINE	8,098,671.1	0.1
85	72223000	Other bars and rods	8,090,458.6	0.1
86	39011010	Virgin Polyethylene having a specific gravity of less than 0,94	7,829,951.9	0.1
87	85401100	Thermionic, cold cathode or photo-cathode valves and tubes (for exa cathode-ray tubes, television camera tubes): Colour	7,736,875.0	0.1
88	84271000	Self-propelled trucks powered by an electric motor	7,720,501.9	0.1
89	44031100	CONIFEROUS	7,692,112.3	0.1
90	90275000	Other instruments and apparatus using optical radiations (UV, visible, IR)	7,384,870.8	0.1
91	08081000	Apples, fresh	7,362,908.6	0.1
92	68021000	Tiles, cubes and similar articles, whether or not rectangular (including square), the largest	7,223,231.3	0.1
93	39241000	Tableware and kitchenware, of plastics	7,212,956.8	0.1
94	96190035	Sanitary towels (pads), made up from woven textile materials	7,094,672.2	0.1
95	20052090	Other Potatoes	6,884,176.0	0.1
96	84181000	Combined refrigerator-freezers, fitted with separate external doors	6,753,192.6	0.1
97	16041317	Sardines (pilchards) (SARDINOPS SPP.), in airtight metal containers for human consumption	6,709,953.6	0.1
98	85044000	STATIC CONVERTERS	6,628,156.0	0.1
99	84139100	Parts: Of pumps	6,560,975.2	0.1
100	84314300	PARTS FOR BORING OR SINKING MACHINERY OF SUBHEADING 8430.41 OR 8430.49	6,460,966.6	0.1
Sub To	tal Top 100		4,133,937,644.7	72.7
Other	Commoditie	PS .	1,549,016,633.6	27.3
Total C			5,682,954,278.3	100.0

		op 50 Exponed Goods – August 2020 (Fold)		
Rank	HS	Description	Value	%
1	71023100	Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set: Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	1,706,986,405.87	64.2
2	71023900	Other Diamonds	415,388,431.20	15.6
3	84834000	Gears and gearing (excluding toothed wheels, chain sprockets and other transmission elements presented separately); ball or roller screws; gear boxes and other speed changers, including torque converters	98,120,517.50	3.7
4	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	64,679,578.72	2.4
5	71081200	Other unwrought forms	48,139,362.35	1.8
6	28362000	Disodium Carbonate	38,412,730.10	1.4
7	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	15,188,026.37	0.6
8	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	14,132,346.73	0.5
9	27011900	Other coal	13,902,225.21	0.5
10	84742000	Crushing or grinding machines	10,053,945.00	0.4
11	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	9,805,994.60	0.4
12	02013090	Other (boneless, fresh or chilled)	8,503,573.99	0.3
13	30023000	VACCINES FOR VETERINARY MEDICINE	8,303,841.64	0.3
14	20055100	Beans, shelled	8,194,362.28	0.3
15	87041090	Other Dumpers designed for off-highway use: excluding G.V.M. not exceeding 50 t	7,728,463.85	0.3
16	3026090	OTHERToilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fa brics, of cotton: other than Embroidered or incorporating appliqué work	7,650,593.98	0.3
17	85442090	Other Co-axial cable and other co-axial electric conductors:	7,410,654.75	0.3
18	87041025	Dumpers designed for off-highway use: G.V.M. NOT EXCEEDING 50 T	7,340,102.00	0.3
19	27011200	Bituminous coal	6,753,177.25	0.3
20	84321000	PLOUGHS	6,511,624.00	0.2
21	13021990	Other Vegetable saps and extracts	6,133,348.40	0.2
22	85284910	Colour, with a screen size not exceeding 3 m x 4 m	5,746,240.00	0.2
23	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	5,550,777.20	0.2
24	84669300	For machines of headings 84.56 to 84.61	5,290,541.25	0.2
25	84314990	OTHER Parts Suitable For Use Solely Or Principally With The Machinery Of Headings 84.25 To 84.30; Of Machinery Of Heading 84.26, 84.29 Or 84.30	5,023,585.51	0.2
26	85444290	Other electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 1 000 V: Fitted with connectors: other than those For a voltage not exceeding 80 V and For a voltage exceeding 80 V but not exceeding 240 V	4,550,423.72	0.2
27	84303900	Other Other moving, grading, levelling, scraping, excavating, tamping, compa snow-ploughs and snow-blowers:	3,886,857.93	0.1
28	87042210	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	3,113,240.16	0.1
29	26030000	COPPER ORES AND CONCENTRATES	3,091,199.88	0.1
30	07133990	Other (other beans (Vigna spp., Phaseolus spp.))	2,937,465.84	0.1
31	85071010	Other Electric accumulators including separators therepf, whether or not rectangular other than lead acid and those with dimension not exceeding 185mm *125mm*195mm by height	2,754,380.20	0.1
32	02022090	Other (other cuts with bone in of bovine animals, frozen)	2,645,170.58	0.1
33	87032390	Other Motor Cars And Other Motor Vehicles Principally Designed For The Transport Of Persons	2,533,540.89	0.1
34	39251000	Reservoirs, tanks, vats and similar containers, of a capacity exceeding 300 li	2,519,088.81	0.1
35	84719000	OtherAutomatic data processing machines and units thereof; magnetic or o processing such data, not elsewhere specified or included	2,356,861.29	0.1
36	25010010	Salt and pure sodium chloride, sea water, Not for human consumption	2,292,203.96	0.1
37	84295900	Other Mechanical shovels, excavators and shovel loaders:	2,274,973.70	0.1
38	23021000	Bran, sharps and other residues, Of maize (corn)	2,213,346.73	0.1
39	58081000	BRAIDS IN THE PIECE	2,107,866.78	0.1
40 41	87089990 84264900	Other Parts And Accessories Of The Motor Vehicles Of Headings 87.01 To 87.05 Other'Ships' derricks; cranes, including cable cranes; mobile lifting frames, stra ddle carriers and works trucks fitted	2,073,565.44 2,058,949.50	0.1
42	87059000	with a crane: "Other Special purpose motor vehicles (excluding those principally designed f or the transport of persons or	1,971,510.00	0.1
		goods):		
43	39231000	Boxes, crates and similar articles Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set. Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or but ad	1,924,912.97	0.1
44	71022100	Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set: Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	1,860,159.92	0.1
45 46	74040090 72044900	Other Copper waste and scrap: Other waste and scrap evaluating Turnings shavings chips milling waste sawdust filings trimmings and stamp-	1,589,241.59 1,583,640.26	0.1
		Other waste and scrap excluding Turnings, shavings, chips, milling waste, sawdust, filings, trimmings and stampings, whether or not in bundles Other machines for reception		
47	85176290	Other machines for reception	1,437,526.69	0.1
48	76020000	ALUMINIUM WASTE AND SCRAP	1,398,683.89	0.1
49	99990020	Household furniture and other household effects, new or used	1,388,400.47	0.1
50 Total T	84295200	Machinery with a 360 degrees revolving superstructure	1,375,444.89 2,588,889,105.84	97.3
	Goods		71,103,441.7	2.7
Total (2,659,992,547.5	100.0
ioiai (Jours		2,007,772,047.5	100.0

7.0 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.

7.1 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.

7.2 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.

7.3 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.