

BOTSWANA FOOD IMPORTS

August 2021



COFFEE, TEA, MATE
AND SPICES

CEREALS

FOOD

For the month of August 2021 total imports stood at **P 8, 698,179,306.5**. Food imports contributed 9.3 percent (**P 813,132,970.2**) to total imports. Cereals accounted for 16.3 percent of food imports, followed by Sugars and Sugar Confectionery and Preparations of Cereals with 11.1 percent and 9.2 percent respectively.

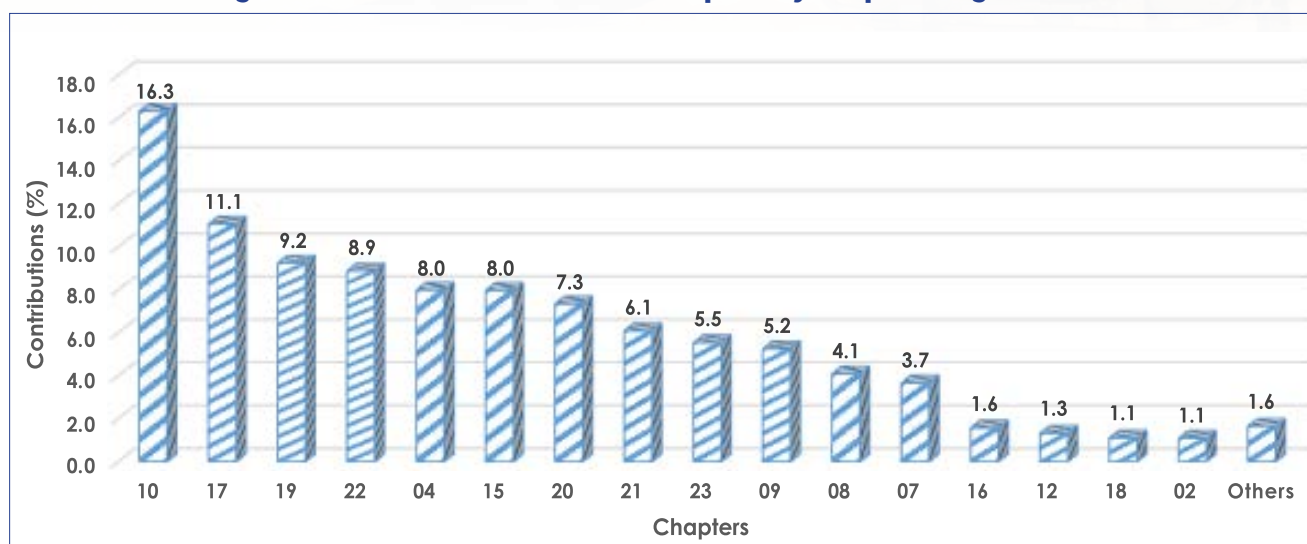
The most imported types of Cereals during this period were Maize (corn), other than seed with a contribution of 45.8 percent followed by Rice, semi-milled or wholly milled, whether or not polished or glazed at 23.2 percent.

Sugars; cane sugar, raw, in solid form, not containing added flavouring or colouring matter contributed 71.3 percent while Sugar confectionery; (excluding chewing gum, including white chocolate), not containing cocoa presented 21.2 percent to the Sugars & Sugar Confectionary chapter.

Table 1: Botswana Food (excluding live animals) imports - August 2021 (Pula)

Rank	Chapter	Chapter Description \ Year	BW Pula	Contribution(%)
1	10	Cereals	132,541,275.6	16.3
2	17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	89,869,545.3	11.1
3	19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastrycooks' products	75,072,575.3	9.2
4	22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	72,110,378.3	8.9
5	04	Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, NES	64,896,761.1	8.0
6	15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared animal fats; animalorvegetable waxes	64,763,239.2	8.0
7	20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants	59,634,105.9	7.3
8	21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	49,414,283.1	6.1
9	23	Food industries, residues and wastes thereof; prepared animal fodder	44,979,925.4	5.5
10	09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	42,604,788.8	5.2
11	08	Fruit and nuts, edible; peel of citrus fruit or melons	33,161,821.5	4.1
12	07	Vegetables and certain roots and tubers; edible	29,712,711.2	3.7
13	16	Meat, fish or crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates; preparations thereof	12,744,404.3	1.6
14	12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit, industrial or medicinal plants; straw and fodder	10,632,892.5	1.3
15	18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	8,901,511.7	1.1
16	02	Meat and edible meat offal	8,760,259.9	1.1
17	Other		13,332,491.2	1.6
Total Food Imports			813,132,970.2	9.3
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Percentage Distribution of Botswana Food imports by Chapter - August 2021



Note: "Others" combine Chapters 3, 5, 6, 13 & 14

Table 2: Breakdown of the top two food Imports -August 2021

Cereals			
HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	%
100590	Maize (corn), other than seed	60,766,712	45.8
100630	Rice, semi-milled or wholly milled, whether or not polished or glazed	30,812,044	23.2
100199	Wheat and meslin, other than durum wheat, other than seed	29,302,548	22.1
100640	Rice, broken	6,364,789	4.8
100610	Rice in the husk (paddy or rough)	4,139,519	3.1
Other Cereals		1,155,663	0.9
Total		132,541,275.6	100.0
Sugars			
HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	%
170114	Cane sugar, raw, in solid form, other than as specified in this chapter, not containing added flavouring or colouring matter	64,097,783	71.3
170490	Sugar confectionery; (excluding chewing gum, including white chocolate), not containing cocoa	19,018,760	21.2
170112	Beet sugar, raw, in solid form, not containing added flavouring or colouring matter	1,808,463	2.0
170199	Sucrose, chemically pure, in solid form, not containing added flavouring or colouring matter	1,480,458	1.6
170230	Glucose and glucose syrup, not containing fructose or containing in the dry state less than 20% by weight of fructose, the syrup not containing added flavouring or colouring matter	821,689	0.9
170410	Sugar confectionery; chewing gum, whether or not sugar-coated, not containing cocoa	719,030	0.8
170191	Sucrose, chemically pure, in solid form, containing added flavouring or colouring matter	598,032	0.7
170310	Molasses, from sugar cane, resulting from the extraction or refining of sugar	575,595	0.6
Other Sugars		749,735	0.8
Total		89,869,545	100.0



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