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Preface

Revisions have been made to the International Merchandise Trade Statistics Digest of December 2023. The changes affected **Table 1.0**: Total Merchandise Trade – January 2021 to December 2023. The column headings for the Domestic Exports and Re- Exports were mistakenly interchanged.

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 December 2023. 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 December 2023 are presented in **Table 3.1B** for imports and **Table 3.2B** for exports. The top traded imports and exports commodities excluding diamonds for December 2023 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) with 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.

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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 a summary of trade statistics on Botswana's total imports and exports of goods for December 2023.

Botswana's overall exports amounted to P4, 623.3 million, a rise of 43.7 percent from the revised November 2023 value of P3, 217.5 million. Imports stood at P6, 421.5 million registering a decrease of 33.4 percent from the revised November 2023 value of P9, 647.5 million.

The Southern African Customs Union (**SACU**) was the main source of imports at 81.8 percent. Asia and the European Union (**EU**) accounted for 8.0 percent and 2.4 percent of total imports, respectively. South Africa, Namibia and Canada supplied imports accounting for 70.2 percent, 10.9 percent and 4.2 percent respectively (**Table 3.1A**).

During the period under review, Botswana's exports were mostly absorbed by Asia with a market share of 46.4 percent. The EU and SACU each received exports accounting for 33.2 percent and 7.8 percent of Botswana's total exports. The United Arab Emirates (**UAE**), Belgium, Australia, South Africa and China received exports representing 32.9, 32.8, 7.0, 6.5 and 6.1 percent of total exports respectively. (**Table 3.2A**).

In December 2023, the top imported commodities were Fuel at 21.8 percent followed by Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Diamonds at 16.2 percent and 15.7 percent, respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products followed with contributions of 11.9 percent and 11.6 percent respectively. The top imported commodities accounted for 77.2 percent of the total imports. Diamonds, Copper, Salt & Soda Ash and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the most exported commodities, accounting for 74.7 percent, 13.6 percent, 2.5 percent and 2.2 percent of total exports respectively, totalling 93.0 percent.

During December 2023, merchandise worth P17, 986.9 million transited through the country to various destinations. Goods accounting for 48.5 percent of total goods in transit were routed through Martins Drift border post. Kazungula Bridge followed with 29.3 percent. (**Table C1**).

The top transiting goods were chapter 74 (Copper and articles thereof) at 21.0 percent, chapter 99 (Commodities not specified according to kind) at 19.8 percent, and Chapter 28 (Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes) at 14.8 percent **Table C2**.

Goods transported by Air accounted for 75.7 percent of total exports, while Road and Rail represented 23.9 percent and 0.4 percent respectively. Imports representing 76.2 percent were transported into the country by Road. Goods imported by Air and Rail accounted for 13.9 percent and 9.9 percent of total imports respectively (**Table B**).

1.0 Total Trade

Total merchandise trade refers to imports, domestic exports, re-exports and trade balance. The discussions are based on December 2023, 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 as regards 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 arrival of additional data in December 2023 resulted in the upward revisions to the transactions for November 2023. **Table A** shows revised data comparing figures in the November 2023 digest and the current.

Table A: Data Revision: November 2023 (Million Pula)

Period/ Indicators	As at November 2023 Digest			As at December 2023 Digest			Difference (P million)			Difference as %		
	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance	Imports (CIF)	Total Exports	Trade Balance
November	9,514.3	2,929.8	(6,584.5)	9,647.5	3,217.5	(6,430.0)	133.2	287.7	154.5	1.4	9.8	(2.3)

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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. Botswana received imports amounting to P6, 421.5 million in December 2023, registering a decline of 33.4 percent (P3, 226.0 million) from the revised November 2023 figure of P9, 647.5 million. Even though the decrease was wide spread across most commodities groups, the main drivers of the fall were Diamonds and Fuel imports which dropped by 54.6 percent (P1, 213.3 million) and 24.5 percent (P454.3 million), respectively, as displayed in **Table 2.1**.

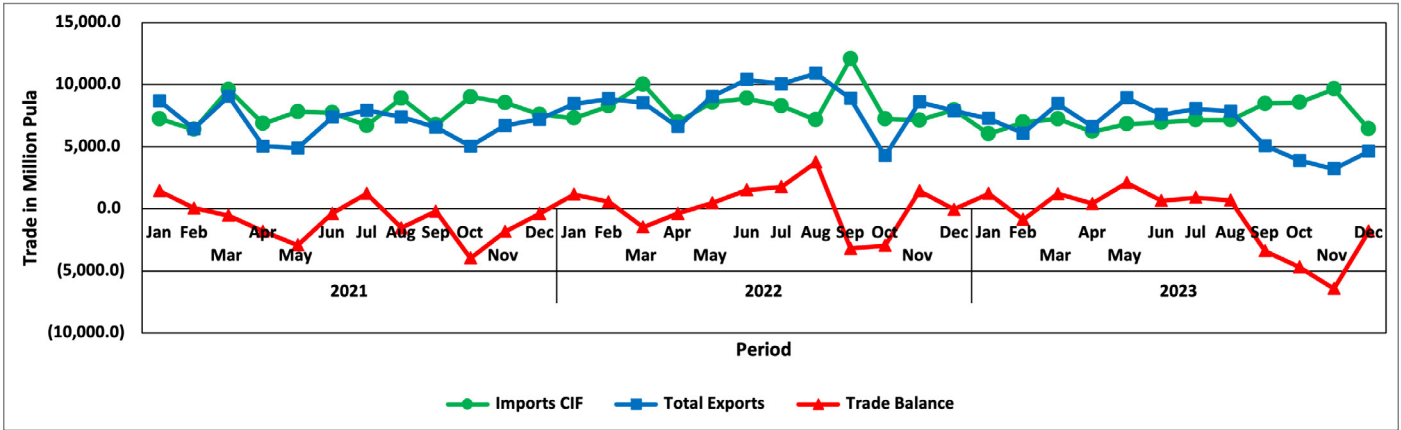
1.3 Total Exports

During December 2023, Botswana's export earnings went up by 43.7 percent (P1, 405.8 million) from the revised value of P3, 217.5 million recorded in November 2023 to P4, 623.3 million. Exports of most principal groups witnessed contractions but were mostly offset by a significant increase of 127.6 percent in the exportation of Diamonds from P1, 517.2 million to P3, 453.8 million during the reporting period as shown in **Table 2.2**.

1.4 Trade Balance

Botswana recorded a trade deficit of P1, 798.2 million in December 2023, this follows a revised deficit of P6, 430.0 million recorded in November 2023. **Chart 1.0** displays the graphical presentation of the trade balance from January 2021 to December 2023.

Chart 1.0: Total International Merchandise Trade – January 2021 to December 2023 (Million Pula)



2.0 Trade by Principal Commodity Groups

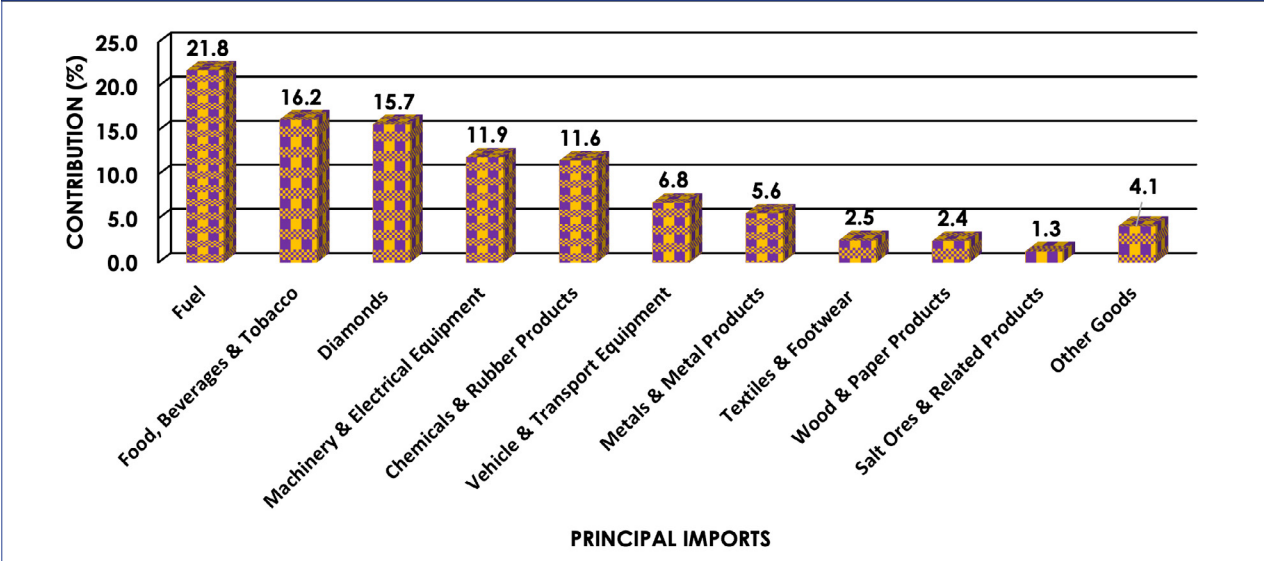
Principal commodity groups refer to selections of related commodities grouped together to form major groups. Commodities forming a group may be of related chapters or commodities, for example ‘Vehicles & Transport Equipment’ combines vehicles and other equipment used for transport purposes.

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

Botswana received imports valued at P6, 421.5 million in December 2023. The top imported groups were Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco; Diamonds and Machinery & Electrical Equipment. Fuel contributed 21.8 percent (P1, 400.5 million) to total imports. Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Diamonds followed with contributions of 16.2 percent (P1, 042.3 million) and 15.7 percent (P1, 007.4 million) respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment made a contribution of 11.9 percent (P766.0 million). Contributions made by other commodity groups can be viewed in [Table 2.1](#) and [Chart 2.1](#).

Chart 2.1: Composition of Principal Imports – December 2023 (Percentage)

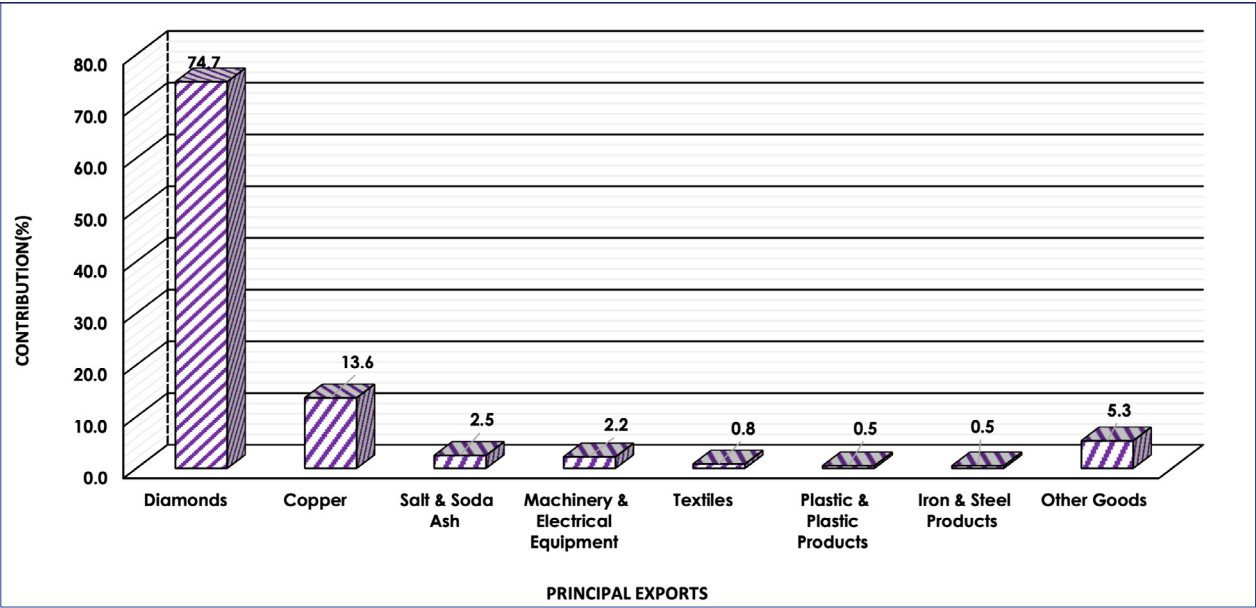


Note: 'Other Goods' here includes any other goods not displayed as in Table 2.1

2.2 Principal Exports

Botswana exported merchandise amounting to P4, 623.3 million. Diamonds was the leading export commodity group with a contribution of 74.7 percent (P3, 453.8 million), followed by Copper and Salt & Soda Ash at 13.6 percent (P629.3 million) and 2.5 percent (P113.9 million), respectively. Machinery & Electrical Equipment made a contribution of 2.2 percent (P101.4 million). Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in Table 2.2 and Chart 2.2.

Chart 2.2 Composition of Principal Exports – December 2023 (Percentage)



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 December 2023 appears 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

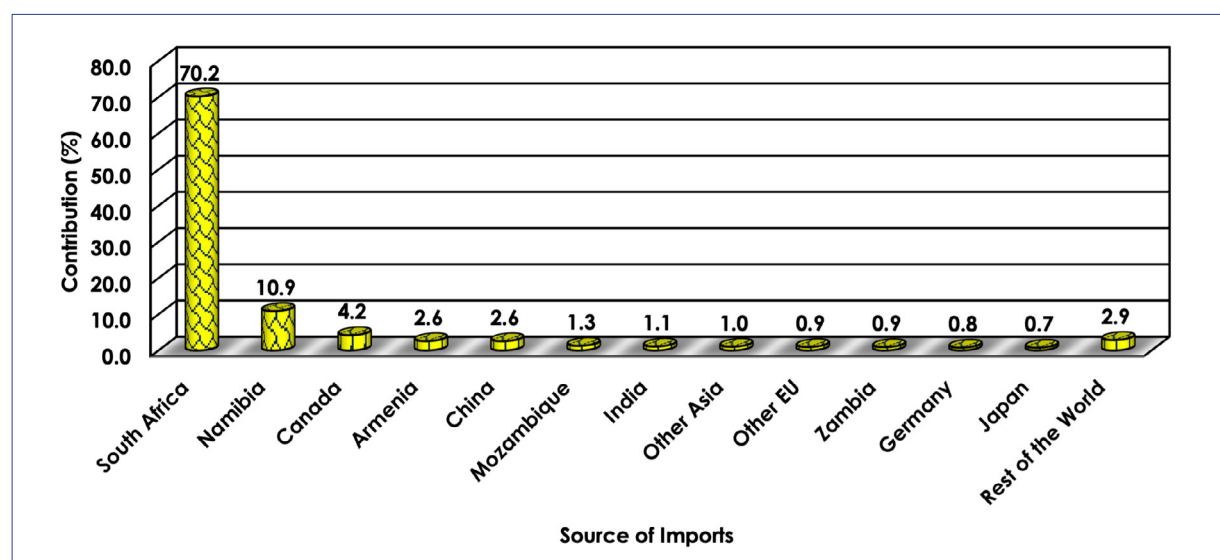
Botswana imported goods worth P6, 421.5 million, with the [SACU](#) region contributing 81.8 percent (P5, 250.0 million) to the total, during the period under review. The top most imported commodity groups from the customs union were; Fuel; Food, Beverages & Tobacco and Diamonds with contributions of 25.1 percent (P1, 318.8 million), 18.7 percent (P983.5 million) and 11.0 percent (P579.9 million), respectively. Among the [SACU](#) member states, South Africa contributed largest at 70.2 percent (P4, 506.9 million) of total imports. Namibia followed with 10.9 percent (P699.0 million) of total imports, as displayed in [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#).

During the period under review, Botswana imported goods amounting to P510.9 million from Asia, representing 8.0 percent of total imports. The major commodity groups imported were Diamonds, Machinery & Electrical Equipment and Chemicals & Rubber Products with contributions of 32.5 percent (P166.2 million), 25.9 percent (P132.4 million) and 16.1 percent (P82.4 million) of total imports from the regional block, respectively. Imports from Armenia and China contributed 2.6 percent each at P165.1 million and P164.0 million to total imports respectively as shown in [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#).

The EU supplied Botswana with imports worth P152.7 million translating to 2.4 percent of total imports. Chemicals & Rubber Products and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the major commodity groups imported from the Union at 43.5 percent (P66.5 million) and 32.3 percent (P49.3 million) of total imports respectively, see [Table 3.1A](#) and [Table 3.1B](#).

Imports accounting for 4.2 percent (P270.8 million) of total imports were sourced from Canada during the month under review. The main import commodity group was Diamonds, at 96.5 percent of total imports from that country. Mozambique supplied imports worth P82.0 million, accounting for 1.3 percent of Botswana's total imports, with Fuel being the main commodity supplied at 94.8 percent (P77.7 million). Sources of imports during December 2023 can be viewed in [Table 3.1 A](#) and [Chart 3.1](#).

Chart 3.1: Imports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – December 2023



'Rest of the World' includes all other Countries or Regions not specified as in Table 3.1A
"Other..." includes all countries in the regional block except those displayed on the chart

3.2 Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries and Regions

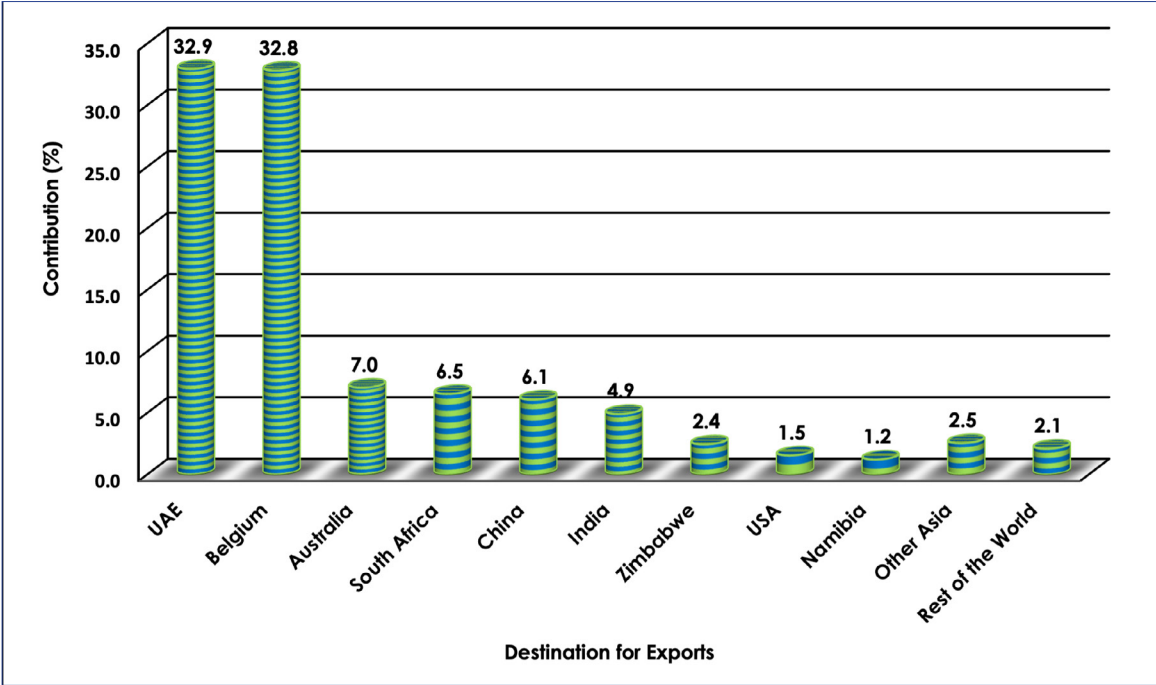
During the period under review, Botswana exported merchandise valued at P4, 623.3 million. Exports to Asia amounted to P2, 145.9 million (46.4 percent), rendering the block the main destination market for Botswana. Top exports destinations within Asia were the UAE, China and India at 32.9 percent (P1, 522.2 million), 6.1 percent (P280.5 million) and 4.9 percent (P226.6 million) of total exports, respectively. Diamonds and Copper were the major commodity groups exported to Asia, at 86.8 percent (P1, 862.2 million) and 13.0 percent (P279.9 million) respectively, as shown in [Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 3.2B](#).

The **EU** received exports amounting to P1, 536.2 million, accounting for 33.2 percent of total exports in December 2023. Belgium received almost all the exports destined for the union, at 32.8 percent (P1, 516.1 million) of total exports. Diamonds was the main commodity group exported to the **EU** at 98.7 percent (P1, 515.6 million), as displayed in [Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 3.2B](#).

Exports destined to the **SACU** region accounted for 7.8 percent (P358.4 million) of total exports during the month under review. Salt & Soda Ash and Machinery & Electrical Equipment were the major commodity groups exported to the customs union. These accounted for 26.7 percent (P95.7 million) and 18.0 percent (P64.5 million) of total exports to the regional block respectively. South Africa was the main recipient of exports to SACU, at 6.5 percent (P301.6 million) [Table 3.2A](#).

During December 2023, Australia received exports worth P325.1 million, representing 7.0 percent of Botswana's total exports. The major commodity group exported to Australia was Copper at 99.4 percent (P323.3 million) of total exports to that country. Zimbabwe and the **USA** received exports worth P112.3 million (2.4 percent) and P70.8 million (1.5 percent) during the period under review. Contributions made by other commodity groups are presented in [Table 3.2A](#) and [Table 3.2B](#).

Chart 3.2: Exports by Major Trading Partner Countries & Regions – December 2023



'Rest of the World' includes all other Countries or Regions not specified as in Table 3.2

"Other..." includes all countries in the regional block except those displayed on the chart

4.0 Imports and Exports by Top imported and Exported Commodities

The top traded commodities for both flows are presented in **Table 4.1A** for imports and **Table 4.1B** for exports for December 2023. 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 Imports and Exports 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.

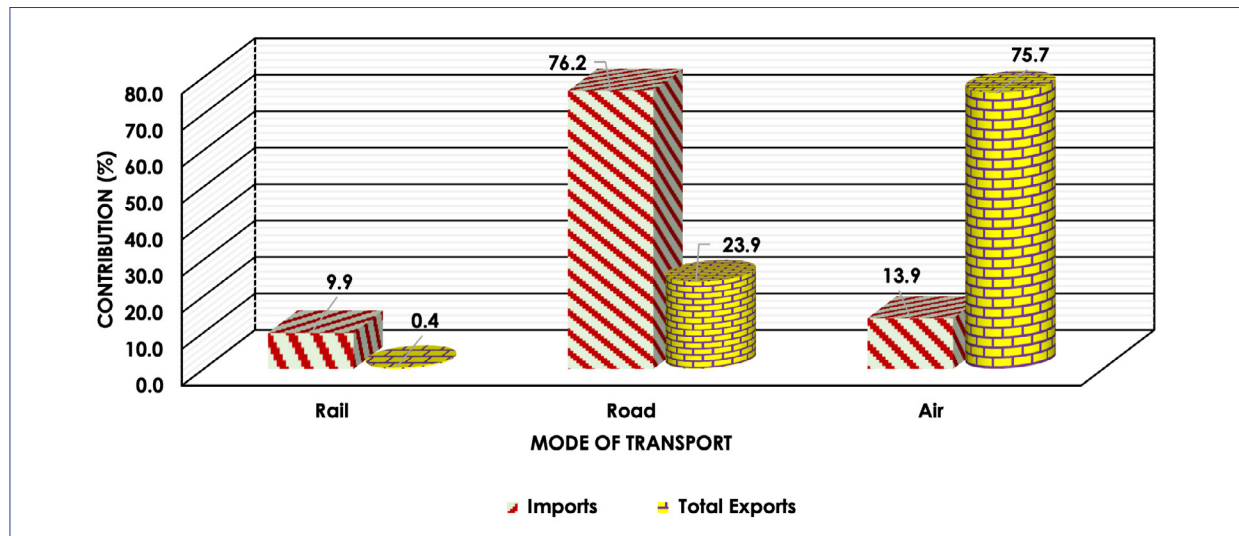
During the month under review, goods valued at P3, 501.3 million, representing 75.7 percent of total exports, were transported by Air. Goods exported by Road and Rail accounted for 23.9 percent (P1, 103.2 million) and 0.4 percent (P18.1 million), respectively.

Imports representing 76.2 percent (P4, 893.2 million) of the monthly total were transported into the country by Road during the month under review. Imports transported by Air and Rail accounted for 13.9 percent (P891.7 million) and 9.9 percent (P634.9 million) respectively.

Table B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport - December 2023 (Million Pula)

Flow Type	Imports		Total Exports	
Mode of Transport	BW Pula	%	BW Pula	%
Rail	634.9	9.9	18.1	0.4
Road	4,893.2	76.2	1,103.2	23.9
Air	891.7	13.9	3,501.3	75.7
Other Modes	1.8	0.0	0.7	0.0
Total	6,421.5	100.0	4,623.3	100.0

"Other Modes..." includes Inland water ways and Postal service transport

Chart B: Imports and Total Exports by Mode of Transport – December 2023

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.

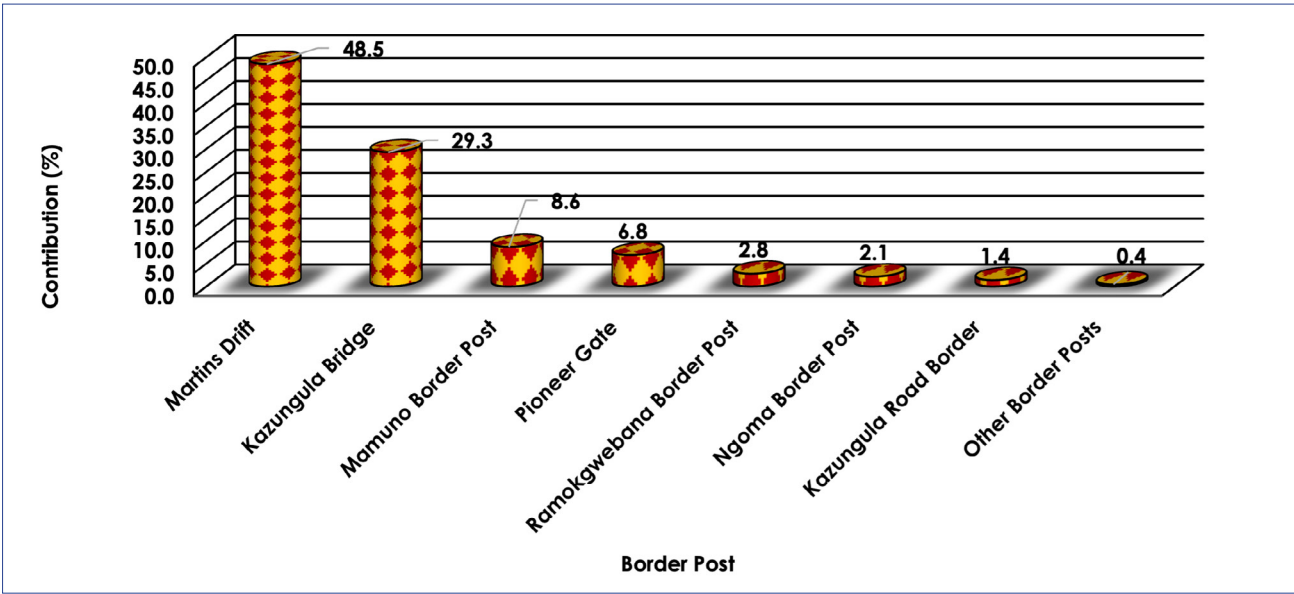
Transit trade is subject to compliance with specific regulations and documentation requirements to ensure the proper monitoring and control of the movement of goods. Violations or misuse of transit trade arrangements can lead to penalties and legal consequences.

During December 2023, goods amounting to P17, 986.9 million transited through Botswana destined for various countries. Martins Drift border post and Kazungula bridge handled goods accounting for 48.5 percent (P8, 723.0 million) and 29.3 percent (P5, 272.1 million) respectively, as displayed in [Table C1](#) and [Chart C1](#). The top most transiting goods were chapters 74 (Copper and articles thereof) at 21.0 percent (P3, 778.4 million) and 99 (Commodities not specified according to kind) at 19.8 percent (P3, 555.2 million). Chapter 28 (Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radioactive elements and of isotopes) followed with a contribution of 14.8 percent (P2, 658.6 million), as shown in [Table C2](#) and [Chart C2](#).

Table C1: Transit Trade by Border Post – December 2023 (Million Pula)

Border Post	BW Pula (Million)	%
Martins Drift	8,723.0	48.5
Kazungula Bridge	5,272.1	29.3
Mamuno Border Post	1,552.5	8.6
Pioneer Gate	1,230.8	6.8
Ramokgwebana Border Post	498.7	2.8
Ngoma Border Post	382.2	2.1
Kazungula Road Border	250.5	1.4
Other Border Posts	77.2	0.4
Total	17,986.9	100.0

Chart C1: Transit Trade by Border Post – December 2023 (Percentage)



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

Table C2: Transit by Chapter – December 2023 (Million Pula)

Rank	Chapter	Description	BW Pula (Million)	%
1	74	Copper and articles thereof	3,778.4	21.0
2	99	Commodities not specified according to kind	3,555.2	19.8
3	28	Inorganic chemicals; organic and inorganic compounds of precious metals; of rare earth metals, of radio-active elements and of isotopes	2,658.6	14.8
4	26	Ores, slag and ash	2,173.0	12.1
5	84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	1,032.3	5.7
6	22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	999.1	5.6
7	87	Vehicles; other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof	740.3	4.1
8	39	Plastics and articles thereof	291.0	1.6
9	73	Iron or steel articles	286.1	1.6
10	10	Cereals	265.8	1.5
11	85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers; television image and sound recorders and reproducers, parts and accessories of such articles	254.7	1.4
Top Transit Goods			16,034.3	89.1
Other Transit Goods			1,952.6	10.9
Total Transit Goods			17,986.9	100.0

Chart C2: Transit by Chapter – December 2023 (Percentage)

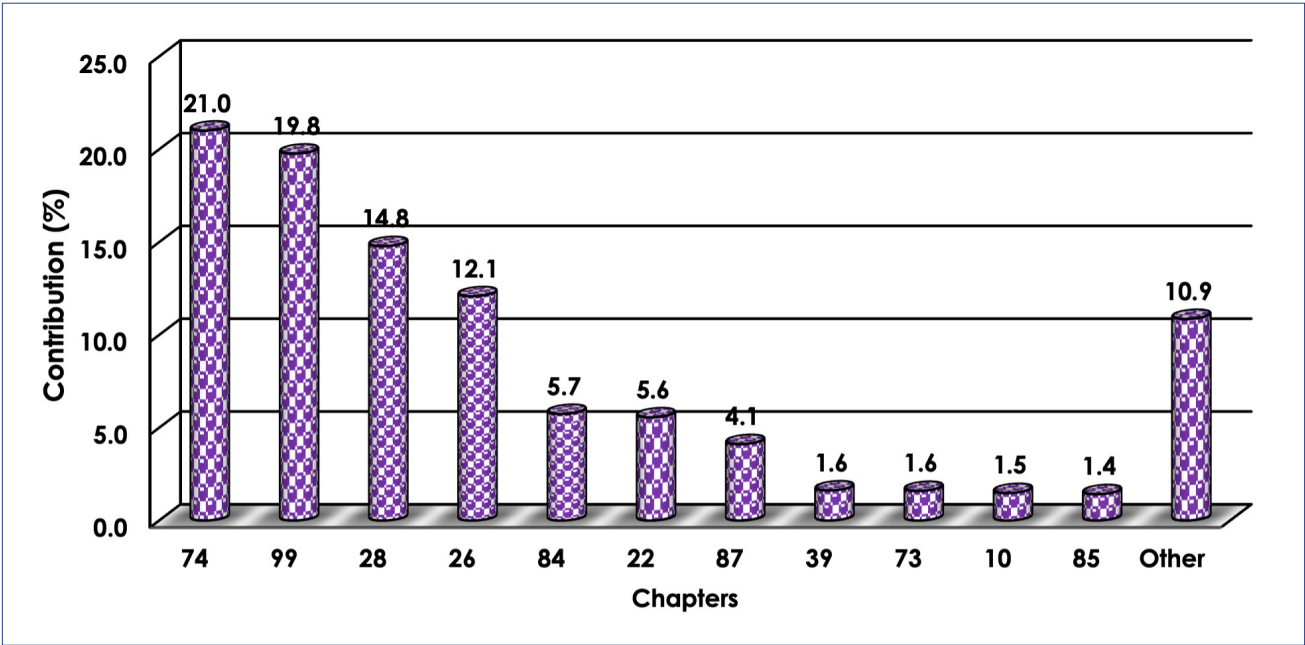


Table 1.0: Total Merchandise Trade – January 2021 to December 2023 (Million Pula)

Period \ Indicators	Imports CIF	Imports FOB	Freight	Insurance	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Total Exports	Trade Balance
Jan_2021	7,250.8	6,987.8	261.6	1.4	8,689.3	0.3	8,689.6	1,438.8
Feb	6,402.0	6,130.6	269.7	1.6	6,449.4	0.0	6,449.5	47.5
Mar	9,580.1	9,228.0	350.7	1.4	9,039.9	0.0	9,039.9	(540.2)
Q1	23,232.9	22,346.4	882.0	4.5	24,178.6	0.4	24,179.0	946.1
Apr	6,856.4	6,563.8	291.2	1.3	5,030.6	0.0	5,030.6	(1,825.7)
May	7,815.8	7,523.9	290.5	1.4	4,898.1	0.0	4,898.1	(2,917.8)
Jun	7,738.1	7,465.5	270.9	1.6	7,368.5	0.9	7,369.5	(368.6)
Q2	22,410.3	21,553.3	852.7	4.3	17,297.2	0.9	17,298.2	(5,112.1)
Jul	6,705.6	6,428.5	275.9	1.3	7,930.1	0.2	7,930.3	1,224.7
Aug	8,903.9	8,561.4	340.9	1.7	7,378.5	0.0	7,378.5	(1,525.4)
Sep	6,752.0	6,473.7	276.7	1.6	6,553.8	1.9	6,555.6	(196.4)
Q3	22,361.5	21,463.6	893.4	4.5	21,862.4	2.0	21,864.4	(497.1)
Oct	9,003.3	8,649.7	351.1	2.5	5,029.7	0.7	5,030.5	(3,972.8)
Nov	8,547.9	8,195.6	350.1	2.3	6,702.3	4.3	6,706.6	(1,841.3)
Dec	7,607.7	7,264.4	341.6	1.7	7,199.2	5.5	7,204.7	(403.0)
Q4	25,158.9	24,109.7	1,042.9	6.4	18,931.3	10.5	18,941.8	(6,217.1)
Total_2021	93,163.6	89,472.9	3,671.0	19.7	82,269.5	13.9	82,283.3	(10,880.3)
Jan_2022	7,288.5	6,974.5	312.2	1.9	8,446.3	0.0	8,446.3	1,157.8
Feb	8,277.2	7,936.8	338.2	2.2	8,841.6	0.1	8,841.6	564.4
Mar	10,020.5	9,625.8	392.2	2.4	8,548.9	0.3	8,549.2	(1,471.3)
Q1	25,586.2	24,537.1	1,042.6	6.5	25,836.7	0.3	25,837.1	250.9
Apr	6,979.1	6,672.2	304.9	1.9	6,606.8	0.0	6,606.8	(372.3)
May	8,578.0	8,253.4	322.9	1.7	9,045.0	0.1	9,045.1	467.1
Jun	8,882.7	8,348.3	532.6	1.8	10,402.8	1.6	10,404.4	1,521.7
Q2	24,439.8	23,273.9	1,160.4	5.4	26,054.5	1.7	26,056.3	1,616.5
Jul	8,286.2	7,935.5	349.1	1.6	10,060.1	0.9	10,061.0	1,774.8
Aug	7,153.6	6,812.0	339.0	2.5	10,911.2	1.7	10,913.0	3,759.4
Sep	12,083.0	11,749.0	331.9	2.0	8,880.5	0.0	8,880.5	(3,202.5)
Q3	27,522.7	26,496.5	1,020.0	6.1	29,851.8	2.6	29,854.5	2,331.8
Oct	7,233.0	6,920.6	310.9	1.4	4,266.8	0.0	4,266.8	(2,966.2)
Nov	7,143.0	6,805.6	335.6	1.7	8,573.4	22.6	8,596.0	1,453.0
Dec	7,959.4	7,661.3	295.8	2.2	7,899.3	0.7	7,900.0	(59.4)
Q4	22,335.3	21,387.6	942.4	5.4	20,739.5	23.3	20,762.8	(1,572.5)
Total_2022	99,884.0	95,695.1	4,165.4	23.5	102,482.7	28.0	102,510.6	2,626.6
Jan_2023	6,030.7	5,749.9	279.3	1.6	7,253.1	0.0	7,253.1	1,222.4
Feb	6,964.6	6,670.2	292.8	1.6	6,088.3	6.1	6,094.3	(870.3)
Mar	7,238.9	6,921.1	315.9	1.9	8,446.9	5.7	8,452.6	1,213.6
Q1	20,234.3	19,341.2	888.1	5.1	21,788.2	11.7	21,800.0	1,565.7
Apr	6,215.7	5,937.6	276.7	1.4	6,630.9	2.5	6,633.4	417.6
May	6,825.9	6,512.7	312.1	1.1	8,917.8	3.4	8,921.2	2,095.3
Jun	6,946.9	6,621.0	323.9	2.1	7,592.2	0.5	7,592.8	645.8
Q2	19,988.6	19,071.3	912.7	4.6	23,141.0	6.4	23,147.4	3,158.8
Jul	7,157.6	6,837.9	318.0	1.7	8,059.7	0.1	8,059.8	902.2
Aug	7,159.1	6,823.6	333.6	1.9	7,848.5	0.5	7,849.0	689.9
Sep	8,469.1	8,125.7	341.8	1.6	5,068.7	0.1	5,068.8	(3,400.3)
Q3	22,785.8	21,787.3	993.3	5.2	20,977.0	0.6	20,977.6	(1,808.2)
Oct	8,563.2	8,207.7	353.9	1.6	3,871.9	3.7	3,875.6	(4,687.6)
Nov	9,647.5	9,275.9	368.9	2.8	3,217.0	0.4	3,217.5	(6,430.0)
Dec	6,421.5	6,137.1	282.5	2.0	4,622.4	0.8	4,623.3	(1,798.2)
Q4	24,632.2	23,620.7	1,005.2	6.3	11,711.4	5.0	11,716.4	(12,915.8)
Total_2023	87,640.8	83,820.4	3,799.3	21.1	77,617.6	23.7	77,641.4	(9,999.5)

Table 2.1: Principal Imports Commodity Groups – January 2021 to December 2023 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Diamonds	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Metals & Metal Products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
Jan_2021	550.6	3,348.0	852.0	653.8	42.7	611.9	274.7	75.1	127.7	381.4	117.7	215.2	7,250.8
Feb	550.5	2,086.4	795.1	784.4	68.2	738.7	345.3	65.7	156.7	438.3	129.8	242.7	6,402.0
Mar	998.0	3,691.6	890.7	903.9	90.4	929.0	399.4	69.1	179.2	918.2	194.2	316.6	9,580.1
Q1	2,099.1	9,126.1	2,537.8	2,342.1	201.3	2,279.6	1,019.3	209.9	463.6	1,737.9	441.7	774.5	23,232.9
Apr	653.1	1,925.5	806.3	853.8	63.4	738.7	346.9	69.2	181.7	836.0	148.7	233.2	6,856.4
May	658.9	2,883.7	838.2	812.3	54.3	868.1	412.0	70.9	139.8	688.9	159.8	228.9	7,815.8
Jun	773.3	2,846.3	866.5	860.0	57.7	891.1	384.6	78.8	137.1	459.9	147.7	234.9	7,738.1
Q2	2,085.3	7,655.5	2,511.0	2,526.1	175.3	2,497.9	1,143.5	219.0	458.6	1,984.8	456.2	697.0	22,410.3
Jul	634.4	2,181.2	842.7	899.5	47.1	810.6	358.0	74.7	121.9	359.2	154.0	222.3	6,705.6
Aug	748.9	3,563.0	831.4	1,074.2	69.0	962.9	432.1	75.8	161.0	517.2	195.8	272.6	8,903.9
Sep	724.1	1,616.2	954.4	865.9	76.5	957.2	389.7	76.2	195.1	455.1	181.8	259.9	6,752.0
Q3	2,107.4	7,360.3	2,628.5	2,839.6	192.5	2,730.7	1,179.8	226.7	478.0	1,331.5	531.7	754.8	22,361.5
Oct	881.1	3,413.6	1,041.3	1,091.0	75.0	961.0	321.8	70.4	241.9	512.2	162.9	231.2	9,003.3
Nov	796.2	3,014.2	1,036.0	1,110.1	75.9	931.2	392.4	67.9	231.0	480.3	174.4	238.3	8,547.9
Dec	814.8	2,090.8	966.8	1,213.1	59.5	832.4	307.3	61.6	160.2	724.7	151.6	224.9	7,607.7
Q4	2,492.0	8,518.6	3,044.1	3,414.2	210.4	2,724.5	1,021.5	199.9	633.1	1,717.2	488.9	694.5	25,158.9
Total_2021	8,783.8	32,660.5	10,721.4	11,122.0	779.6	10,232.7	4,364.2	855.5	2,033.2	6,771.3	1,918.5	2,920.7	93,163.6
Jan_2022	1,075.5	2,225.2	877.0	1,089.3	29.8	788.9	281.1	60.4	135.6	429.8	130.9	165.1	7,288.5
Feb	628.7	3,295.7	876.5	1,046.3	45.8	1,003.3	351.1	58.9	189.1	429.2	142.2	210.3	8,277.2
Mar	859.1	3,712.3	1,183.1	1,437.6	53.3	1,053.1	509.5	63.7	217.6	514.2	165.7	251.2	10,020.5
Q1	2,563.3	9,233.3	2,936.6	3,573.3	128.9	2,845.3	1,141.8	183.0	542.3	1,373.1	438.8	626.6	25,586.2
Apr	673.3	1,674.8	903.2	1,410.2	45.2	931.9	373.0	58.3	169.7	392.6	140.8	206.1	6,979.1
May	848.8	2,742.7	900.1	1,439.1	70.4	1,106.2	409.1	70.1	190.8	388.9	150.8	261.0	8,578.0
Jun	809.0	1,128.2	2,314.3	1,723.0	55.1	1,136.8	356.0	68.1	172.5	720.3	148.4	250.9	8,882.7
Q2	2,331.1	5,545.6	4,117.7	4,572.3	170.8	3,174.9	1,138.0	196.6	533.0	1,501.8	440.0	718.0	24,439.8
Jul	695.2	1,548.2	978.8	2,295.6	66.4	1,022.1	369.4	67.9	209.6	620.0	163.7	249.3	8,286.2
Aug	738.1	890.5	1,047.4	1,734.4	56.5	965.3	384.0	78.5	221.2	514.8	183.1	339.9	7,153.6
Sep	854.5	5,769.1	1,038.5	1,469.3	59.2	1,100.7	391.2	65.2	222.2	629.4	194.8	288.9	12,083.0
Q3	2,287.7	8,207.8	3,064.7	5,499.2	182.1	3,088.1	1,144.6	211.7	652.9	1,764.2	541.6	878.0	27,522.7
Oct	750.3	1,309.1	1,032.6	1,499.6	64.7	1,066.5	326.6	61.3	211.7	471.5	160.9	278.3	7,233.0
Nov	969.1	641.5	1,175.9	1,521.8	65.2	1,070.4	381.7	63.0	273.3	484.9	193.9	302.3	7,143.0
Dec	767.2	2,351.7	1,013.6	1,670.7	55.0	751.0	313.3	50.5	172.9	367.6	157.9	288.0	7,959.4
Q4	2,486.7	4,302.3	3,222.2	4,692.0	184.9	2,887.8	1,021.5	174.7	657.9	1,324.0	512.8	868.5	22,335.3
Total_2022	9,668.8	27,289.0	13,341.1	18,336.8	666.7	11,996.1	4,446.0	766.0	2,386.1	5,963.1	1,933.3	3,091.2	99,884.0
Jan_2023	640.3	988.8	907.0	1,338.4	25.0	850.5	279.7	56.3	136.1	418.8	134.9	254.7	6,030.7
Feb	771.5	1,314.7	1,259.9	1,288.5	41.0	894.0	376.9	46.6	185.6	420.9	142.8	222.1	6,964.6
Mar	795.4	807.4	1,221.3	1,511.1	58.1	1,110.2	394.4	65.4	242.3	565.0	179.3	289.0	7,238.9
Q1	2,207.2	3,110.9	3,388.3	4,138.0	124.1	2,854.7	1,051.1	168.3	564.0	1,404.7	457.1	765.8	20,234.3
Apr	768.6	765.9	1,093.6	1,366.8	45.8	817.1	352.0	63.6	204.5	381.7	140.3	215.8	6,215.7
May	901.9	859.1	1,013.1	1,311.5	56.9	1,058.1	390.9	77.3	191.1	550.3	161.8	253.9	6,825.9
Jun	904.3	779.6	1,153.2	1,321.6	58.1	1,120.4	422.4	100.1	159.3	527.4	176.9	223.7	6,946.9
Q2	2,574.8	2,404.7	3,259.9	3,999.9	160.8	2,995.6	1,165.3	240.9	554.9	1,459.4	479.1	693.4	19,988.6
Jul	823.9	796.7	1,077.1	1,437.5	51.7	1,014.1	418.1	63.4	182.4	873.5	167.4	251.9	7,157.6
Aug	916.7	557.5	1,255.8	1,486.1	59.7	1,132.5	431.7	74.8	213.2	572.5	183.6	275.1	7,159.1
Sep	779.4	1,435.5	1,321.2	1,822.5	62.9	1,186.0	449.1	64.7	238.7	624.7	171.8	312.5	8,469.1
Q3	2,520.0	2,789.7	3,654.1	4,746.0	174.3	3,332.7	1,298.9	202.9	634.3	2,070.7	522.8	839.5	22,785.8
Oct	859.2	1,431.8	1,474.8	1,798.8	67.7	1,091.9	407.4	61.5	277.0	560.0	186.0	347.2	8,563.2
Nov	1,149.5	2,220.7	1,436.0	1,854.8	74.3	1,111.2	414.8	68.4	286.7	573.8	197.0	260.3	9,647.5
Dec	742.7	1,007.4	1,042.3	1,400.5	58.8	766.0	357.9	82.1	162.6	436.8	156.9	207.5	6,421.5
Q4	2,751.4	4,659.9	3,953.1	5,054.1	200.8	2,969.0	1,180.1	211.9	726.3	1,570.5	539.9	815.0	24,632.2
Total_2023	10,053.4	12,965.2	14,255.4	17,938.1	660.0	12,152.0	4,695.4	824.0	2,479.5	6,505.3	1,998.8	3,113.6	87,640.8
%Contribution													
2021	9.4	35.1	11.5	11.9	0.8	11.0	4.7	0.9	2.2	7.3	2.1	3.1	100.0
2022	9.7	27.3	13.4	18.4	0.7	12.0	4.5	0.8	2.4	6.0	1.9	3.1	100.0
Nov	11.9	23.0	14.9	19.2	0.8	11.5	4.3	0.7	3.0	5.9	2.0	2.7	100.0
Dec	11.6	15.7	16.2	21.8	0.9	11.9	5.6	1.3	2.5	6.8	2.4	3.2	100.0

Table 2.2 Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2021 to December 2023 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	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
Jan_2021	6.8	0.2	8,205.5	44.0	12.4	56.2	169.8	0.6	19.9	65.6	14.9	22.1	71.7	8,689.6
Feb	4.8	0.0	5,991.9	16.8	12.5	61.1	151.7	2.1	29.0	51.6	12.1	20.8	95.0	6,449.5
Mar	8.8	0.9	8,455.6	51.5	25.2	96.7	156.7	9.2	32.4	54.8	18.0	48.5	81.7	9,039.9
Q1	20.4	1.1	22,653.0	112.3	50.1	214.0	478.2	11.9	81.3	172.0	45.0	91.4	248.4	24,179.0
Apr	7.6	0.1	4,471.4	0.0	20.5	63.0	182.3	9.0	33.6	54.8	15.5	30.8	142.1	5,030.6
May	11.7	0.3	4,280.0	62.1	28.6	87.1	152.4	18.2	42.2	54.9	15.3	18.0	127.2	4,898.1
Jun	15.3	0.3	6,710.0	35.8	30.7	101.1	163.3	34.8	39.0	73.9	15.2	20.4	129.7	7,369.5
Q2	34.6	0.8	15,461.5	97.9	79.8	251.2	498.0	62.1	114.8	183.6	46.0	69.2	398.9	17,298.2
Jul	12.6	86.8	7,210.0	0.0	18.3	80.5	183.3	12.7	33.8	104.5	14.6	27.2	145.9	7,930.3
Aug	10.2	398.7	6,326.1	71.7	18.1	90.0	166.1	20.0	25.0	51.3	18.5	39.9	143.0	7,378.5
Sep	10.0	247.2	5,771.1	25.3	24.0	20.3	196.0	13.3	30.6	62.7	18.5	26.0	110.7	6,555.6
Q3	32.8	732.7	19,307.2	97.0	60.4	190.8	545.4	45.9	89.4	218.5	51.5	93.1	399.6	21,864.4
Oct	9.5	159.4	4,343.6	31.3	21.9	63.9	142.5	9.8	33.5	69.4	26.5	18.5	100.8	5,030.5
Nov	9.3	170.0	5,799.1	30.4	17.2	76.0	170.8	18.5	24.5	91.6	25.5	171.9	101.9	6,706.6
Dec	7.2	161.3	6,565.1	18.8	12.7	81.4	98.1	15.0	13.9	73.4	22.2	20.0	115.7	7,204.7
Q4	26.0	490.7	16,707.8	80.5	51.7	221.2	411.3	43.3	72.0	234.4	74.2	210.3	318.4	18,941.8
Total_2021	113.9	1,225.3	74,129.5	387.7	241.9	877.2	1,933.0	163.2	357.4	808.5	216.7	464.0	1,365.2	82,283.3
Jan_2022	9.7	200.7	7,702.8	35.8	24.3	106.0	94.5	3.8	22.9	68.5	16.1	22.3	138.7	8,446.3
Feb	6.9	208.7	8,060.0	19.2	17.4	106.0	181.0	8.4	25.7	59.8	17.5	39.4	91.6	8,841.6
Mar	9.7	244.0	7,525.8	47.2	20.6	105.9	296.3	15.8	29.1	76.9	20.8	34.7	122.2	8,549.2
Q1	26.3	653.5	23,288.6	102.2	62.3	318.0	571.9	28.0	77.8	205.2	54.4	96.5	352.5	25,837.1
Apr	13.2	367.3	5,586.4	31.0	21.9	88.0	211.9	12.3	28.5	42.1	23.2	69.0	111.8	6,606.8
May	16.2	314.6	7,882.7	0.0	22.8	133.9	241.4	19.4	30.9	75.2	34.0	34.5	239.6	9,045.1
Jun	17.6	257.9	9,261.0	43.8	26.9	137.7	237.6	22.2	37.3	93.2	25.5	58.0	185.6	10,404.4
Q2	46.9	939.8	22,730.1	74.8	71.6	359.6	690.9	54.0	96.8	210.5	82.7	161.5	537.0	26,056.3
Jul	16.1	363.8	8,819.4	35.5	23.8	97.4	243.6	14.2	34.0	72.6	23.9	35.4	281.2	10,061.0
Aug	15.7	449.9	9,646.0	30.1	20.1	85.1	217.0	8.8	31.3	125.4	33.1	55.9	194.6	10,913.0
Sep	16.8	304.5	7,760.6	14.1	19.8	14.1	272.9	3.5	36.2	109.1	25.4	115.8	187.6	8,880.5
Q3	48.6	1,118.2	26,226.0	79.7	63.8	196.6	733.5	26.5	101.5	307.1	82.4	207.1	663.4	29,854.5
Oct	14.9	468.9	2,997.5	16.8	20.8	140.9	210.2	4.4	33.8	89.7	29.8	30.0	209.2	4,266.8
Nov	14.3	319.3	7,392.2	16.3	19.9	85.3	295.7	16.2	28.7	91.3	35.0	45.8	236.0	8,596.0
Dec	16.6	466.1	6,669.5	18.3	10.8	82.7	130.8	7.7	22.2	101.9	35.5	109.9	228.1	7,900.0
Q4	45.7	1,254.2	17,059.3	51.4	51.4	308.9	636.7	28.2	84.6	282.9	100.3	185.8	673.3	20,762.8
Total_2022	167.5	3,965.7	89,304.0	308.2	249.1	1,183.0	2,633.0	136.6	360.7	1,005.8	319.8	650.8	2,226.3	102,510.6
Jan_2023	16.6	523.8	6,028.1	16.5	12.0	112.0	204.6	3.2	34.6	106.4	22.8	24.0	148.6	7,253.1
Feb	19.5	454.0	4,857.5	23.1	25.2	111.1	294.3	7.3	28.5	65.7	19.5	63.8	124.7	6,094.3
Mar	21.6	465.9	7,281.7	33.5	18.6	74.2	248.6	12.8	35.4	86.4	22.1	37.6	114.1	8,452.6
Q1	57.7	1,443.8	18,167.3	73.1	55.9	297.3	747.5	23.4	98.4	258.5	64.4	125.3	387.4	21,800.0
Apr	17.5	388.2	5,620.1	40.0	16.7	62.1	179.7	19.9	25.2	87.7	27.4	39.9	108.9	6,633.4
May	21.0	544.6	7,531.2	27.8	26.0	68.4	269.1	23.9	32.9	57.5	45.3	63.7	209.9	8,921.2
Jun	13.2	424.4	6,368.0	21.0	28.7	65.8	265.1	36.5	33.4	68.2	31.8	58.8	177.8	7,592.8
Q2	51.7	1,357.2	19,519.3	88.8	71.4	196.3	713.9	80.3	91.6	213.5	104.5	162.4	496.6	23,147.4
Jul	11.9	636.0	6,667.5	17.4	23.5	26.0	285.6	38.1	27.1	117.4	30.9	32.8	145.5	8,059.8
Aug	10.9	653.0	6,361.5	23.0	27.4	29.6	344.1	58.8	31.5	102.4	30.1	35.2	141.5	7,849.0
Sep	10.2	733.2	3,575.0	19.0	25.3	28.6	267.8	38.9	45.8	106.6	31.4	25.8	161.4	5,068.8
Q3	33.0	2,022.2	16,604.0	59.4	76.3	84.2	897.6	135.7	104.4	326.4	92.3	93.8	448.4	20,977.6
Oct	11.3	703.8	2,350.4	21.4	43.6	16.3	279.7	40.4	37.2	100.2	37.1	91.3	143.0	3,875.6
Nov	12.2	781.7	1,517.2	30.0	30.7	9.6	311.4	28.0	113.6	94.1	40.2	29.9	218.8	3,217.5
Dec	6.4	629.3	3,453.8	13.7	21.1	19.1	101.4	17.8	21.4	113.9	37.0	20.2	168.2	4,623.3
Q4	29.9	2,114.8	7,321.4	65.0	95.4	45.0	692.5	86.3	172.2	308.1	114.3	141.4	530.0	11,716.4
Total_2023	172.2	6,938.0	61,612.1	286.3	299.1	622.8	3,051.4	325.7	466.6	1,106.5	375.5	523.0	1,862.4	77,641.4
%Contribution														
2021	0.1	1.5	90.1	0.5	0.3	1.1	2.3	0.2	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.6	1.7	100.0
2022	0.2	3.9	87.1	0.3	0.2	1.2	2.6	0.1	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.6	2.2	100.0
Nov	0.4	24.3	47.2	0.9	1.0	0.3	9.7	0.9	3.5	2.9	1.3	0.9	6.8	100.0
Dec	0.1	13.6	74.7	0.3	0.5	0.4	2.2	0.4	0.5	2.5	0.8	0.4	3.6	100.0

Table 2.3: Diamonds Trade - January 2021 to December 2023 (Million Pula)

	IMPORTS						EXPORTS					
Period \ HS	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total	71021000	71022100	71022900	71023100	71023900	Total
Jan_2021	82.4	6.0	0.0	2,941.5	318.1	3,348.0	0.0	23.2	0.0	7,942.0	240.3	8,205.5
Feb	324.7	5.1	0.0	1,366.1	390.5	2,086.4	0.0	7.1	0.0	5,304.1	680.6	5,991.9
Mar	0.0	5.3	0.0	3,006.8	679.5	3,691.6	0.0	20.0	0.0	7,897.3	538.3	8,455.6
Q1	407.2	16.4	0.0	7,314.4	1,388.1	9,126.1	0.0	50.3	0.0	21,143.4	1,459.3	22,653.0
Apr	0.0	5.5	0.0	1,443.9	476.1	1,925.5	0.0	2.0	0.0	3,630.9	838.6	4,471.4
May	298.0	3.9	0.0	2,147.0	434.9	2,883.7	0.0	6.5	0.0	3,530.5	743.0	4,280.0
Jun	263.7	0.0	0.0	1,914.8	667.8	2,846.3	0.0	12.1	0.0	5,951.3	746.6	6,710.0
Q2	561.7	9.4	0.0	5,505.7	1,578.8	7,655.5	0.0	20.6	0.0	13,112.7	2,328.2	15,461.5
Jul	268.0	5.1	0.0	1,545.2	362.8	2,181.2	0.0	12.7	0.0	6,423.2	774.1	7,210.0
Aug	246.7	7.0	0.0	3,069.3	240.0	3,563.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	5,072.8	1,252.0	6,326.1
Sep	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,373.8	242.4	1,616.2	0.0	23.7	0.0	4,755.2	992.2	5,771.1
Q3	514.7	12.1	0.0	5,988.4	845.2	7,360.3	0.0	37.6	0.0	16,251.2	3,018.4	19,307.2
Oct	362.3	9.7	0.0	2,760.7	280.8	3,413.6	0.0	26.6	0.0	3,575.8	741.2	4,343.6
Nov	0.0	15.1	0.1	2,805.5	193.6	3,014.2	0.0	70.7	0.0	4,926.0	802.4	5,799.1
Dec	252.2	13.7	0.0	1,235.2	589.6	2,090.8	0.0	43.6	0.0	5,482.0	1,039.5	6,565.1
Q4	614.6	38.4	0.1	6,801.5	1,064.0	8,518.6	0.0	140.9	0.0	13,983.8	2,583.0	16,707.8
Total_2021	2,098.1	76.4	0.1	25,609.9	4,876.0	32,660.5	0.0	249.4	0.0	64,491.2	9,388.9	74,129.5
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	0.0	18.6	0.0	2,756.0	521.1	3,295.7	0.0	53.2	0.0	6,729.9	1,276.9	8,060.0
Mar	512.4	14.4	0.0	2,526.8	658.7	3,712.3	0.0	28.3	0.0	5,919.0	1,578.5	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	0.4	0.0	155.0	411.8	890.5	0.0	62.0	0.0	7,573.2	2,010.9	9,646.0
Sep	415.3	0.8	0.0	5,088.8	264.3	5,769.1	0.0	37.8	0.0	5,827.4	1,895.4	7,760.6
Q3	1,110.2	1.2	0.0	5,483.4	1,613.0	8,207.8	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	17,347.8	6,684.4	27,289.0	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	925.2	0.1	0.0	109.3	280.1	1,314.7	0.0	32.2	0.0	3,520.2	1,305.1	4,857.5
Mar	426.4	0.2	0.0	75.0	305.8	807.4	0.0	33.3	0.0	5,537.0	1,711.3	7,281.7
Q1	1,671.7	0.8	0.0	319.6	1,118.8	3,110.9	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	4,323.0	1,249.6	5,620.1
May	237.7	0.8	0.0	200.6	419.9	859.1	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	1,193.6	945.6	2,404.7	342.2	120.5	0.0	14,936.7	4,119.9	19,519.3
Jul	383.7	0.0	0.0	58.3	354.7	796.7	31.0	29.1	0.0	4,879.1	1,728.4	6,667.5
Aug	272.7	0.1	0.0	53.4	231.3	557.5	0.0	101.3	0.0	4,552.5	1,707.7	6,361.5
Sep	0.0	0.3	0.0	1,077.3	357.9	1,435.5	0.0	0.9	0.0	2,417.7	1,156.4	3,575.0
Q3	656.4	0.4	0.0	1,189.0	943.9	2,789.7	31.0	131.3	0.0	11,849.2	4,592.5	16,604.0
Oct	581.2	0.0	0.0	457.6	393.1	1,431.8	0.0	1.7	0.0	591.8	1,756.9	2,350.4
Nov	0.3	0.0	0.1	1,687.4	532.9	2,220.7	0.0	57.2	0.0	329.2	1,130.8	1,517.2
Dec	260.5	1.0	0.0	545.3	200.7	1,007.4	0.0	1.0	0.0	2,739.7	713.2	3,453.8
Q4	842.0	1.0	0.1	2,690.3	1,126.6	4,659.9	0.0	59.9	0.0	3,660.7	3,600.9	7,321.4
Total_2023	3,434.7	3.1	0.1	5,392.5	4,134.9	12,965.2	373.2	412.0	0.0	44,605.7	16,221.2	61,612.1

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 - December 2023 (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	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods	% Contribution
South Africa	534.7	167.8	961.1	1,064.4	46.8	538.9	310.6	69.6	131.5	372.4	137.2	171.9	4,506.9	70.2
Namibia	0.2	412.1	9.9	254.4	0.0	1.6	0.8	12.3	0.0	6.4	1.2	0.1	699.0	10.9
Eswatini	28.4	0.0	12.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	2.4	0.0	44.0	0.7
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
SACU	563.3	579.9	983.5	1,318.8	46.8	540.5	311.4	81.9	132.2	378.8	140.9	172.1	5,250.0	81.8
Mozambique	0.1	0.0	1.6	77.7	0.0	0.1	1.2	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	82.0	1.3
Zambia	14.1	0.0	10.7	0.0	0.0	2.5	26.0	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.0	3.9	58.0	0.9
Other SADC	2.3	0.0	17.9	0.0	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	3.7	2.6	28.4	0.4
SADC	579.7	579.9	1,013.7	1,396.5	47.1	543.5	339.6	81.9	133.9	379.6	144.6	178.5	5,418.4	84.4
Other Africa	1.8	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.1	4.0	0.1
Africa	581.5	579.9	1,013.9	1,396.5	47.1	544.7	339.6	81.9	134.2	379.8	144.7	178.6	5,422.4	84.4
Armenia	0.0	165.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	165.1	2.6
China	25.6	0.0	0.5	0.0	4.9	86.8	6.6	0.0	17.6	3.6	5.7	12.5	164.0	2.6
India	46.4	0.0	1.4	0.4	0.0	12.7	2.4	0.1	1.5	0.9	0.0	3.2	69.1	1.1
Japan	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	39.0	0.0	0.2	47.5	0.7
Other Asia	7.1	1.1	8.8	2.2	6.7	27.8	4.8	0.0	0.9	2.3	1.4	2.1	65.2	1.0
Asia	82.4	166.2	10.7	2.6	11.6	132.4	13.8	0.1	20.0	45.8	7.1	18.0	510.9	8.0
Germany	20.5	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	10.1	0.6	0.0	5.9	4.3	3.2	1.9	48.5	0.8
France	14.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	16.3	0.3
Italy	9.2	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	2.8	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.7	14.2	0.2
Belgium	10.8	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	13.7	0.2
Other EU	11.9	0.0	6.8	1.3	0.0	33.9	2.4	0.0	0.2	0.7	0.5	2.3	59.9	0.9
EU	66.5	0.0	11.5	1.3	0.0	49.3	3.4	0.0	6.4	5.5	3.7	5.0	152.7	2.4
Canada	6.4	261.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.3	270.8	4.2
Rest of the World	5.8	0.0	6.2	0.0	0.1	38.1	0.9	0.0	1.3	5.2	1.3	5.6	64.5	1.0
World	742.7	1,007.4	1,042.3	1,400.5	58.8	766.0	357.9	82.1	162.6	436.8	156.9	207.5	6,421.5	100.0

Table 3.18: Total Imports by Country, Region and Principal Import Commodity Groups - December 2023 (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	Vehicles & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Goods
South Africa	11.9	3.7	21.3	23.6	1.0	12.0	6.9	1.5	2.9	8.3	3.0	3.8	100.0
Namibia	0.0	59.0	1.4	36.4	0.0	0.2	0.1	1.8	0.0	0.9	0.2	0.0	100.0
Eswatini	64.4	0.0	28.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	5.5	0.1	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.4	83.9	0.0	1.2	100.0
SACU	10.7	11.0	18.7	25.1	0.9	10.3	5.9	1.6	2.5	7.2	2.7	3.3	100.0
Mozambique	0.1	0.0	2.0	94.8	0.0	0.1	1.5	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Zambia	24.3	0.0	18.4	0.0	0.0	4.3	44.7	0.0	0.7	0.9	0.1	6.7	100.0
Other SADC	8.0	0.0	63.0	0.0	1.0	1.2	3.5	0.0	0.3	0.8	13.1	9.1	100.0
SADC	10.7	10.7	18.7	25.8	0.9	10.0	6.3	1.5	2.5	7.0	2.7	3.3	100.0
Other Africa	44.8	0.0	5.5	0.0	0.0	31.5	0.4	0.0	8.9	5.5	1.0	2.4	100.0
Africa	10.7	10.7	18.7	25.8	0.9	10.0	6.3	1.5	2.5	7.0	2.7	3.3	100.0
Armenia	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
China	15.6	0.0	0.3	0.0	3.0	52.9	4.0	0.0	10.7	2.2	3.5	7.7	100.0
India	67.1	0.0	2.0	0.6	0.0	18.4	3.5	0.1	2.2	1.4	0.1	4.6	100.0
Japan	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	82.1	0.0	0.3	100.0
Other Asia	10.8	1.7	13.5	3.4	10.3	42.7	7.4	0.0	1.4	3.5	2.1	3.2	100.0
Asia	16.1	32.5	2.1	0.5	2.3	25.9	2.7	0.0	3.9	9.0	1.4	3.5	100.0
Germany	42.3	0.0	4.2	0.1	0.0	20.9	1.1	0.0	12.1	8.9	6.5	3.8	100.0
France	86.5	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.0	10.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	100.0
Italy	64.5	0.0	3.2	0.0	0.1	19.9	3.4	0.0	2.6	1.4	0.0	4.8	100.0
Belgium	78.7	0.0	14.8	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.7	100.0
Other EU	19.8	0.0	11.4	2.1	0.0	56.6	3.9	0.0	0.3	1.2	0.8	3.8	100.0
EU	43.5	0.0	7.6	0.9	0.0	32.3	2.2	0.0	4.2	3.6	2.4	3.3	100.0
Canada	2.4	96.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	100.0
Rest of the World	9.0	0.0	9.6	0.1	0.2	59.0	1.4	0.1	2.0	8.0	2.0	8.6	100.0
World	11.6	15.7	16.2	21.8	0.9	11.9	5.6	1.3	2.5	6.8	2.4	3.2	100.0

Table 3.2A: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Export Commodity Groups – December 2023 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total	% Contribution
South Africa	6.4	0.3	5.8	13.7	11.4	19.1	57.8	15.2	16.2	95.7	12.6	1.6	45.8	301.6	6.5
Namibia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	6.7	1.2	1.4	0.0	0.9	9.6	35.0	55.4	1.2
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.4	1.3	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	0.2	0.2	0.0
SACU	6.4	0.3	5.8	13.7	11.9	19.1	64.5	16.4	17.7	95.7	13.5	12.1	81.4	358.4	7.8
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.1	0.0	26.6	0.0	3.1	5.5	22.4	2.4	45.3	112.3	2.4
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	1.3	0.6	12.6	1.1	3.6	15.6	37.4	0.8
SADC	6.4	0.3	5.8	13.7	19.0	19.1	93.8	17.7	21.3	113.8	37.0	18.0	142.2	508.1	11.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.5	0.1	4.2	0.1
Africa	6.4	0.3	5.8	13.7	19.0	19.1	96.1	17.8	21.3	113.9	37.0	19.5	142.4	512.3	11.1
UAE	0.0	0.0	1,521.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	1,522.2	32.9
China	0.0	279.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	280.5	6.1
India	0.0	0.0	225.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	226.6	4.9
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	115.3	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	116.6	2.5
Asia	0.0	279.9	1,862.2	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.3	2,145.9	46.4
Belgium	0.0	0.0	1,515.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1,516.1	32.8
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	17.7	20.1	0.4
EU	0.0	0.0	1,515.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	18.2	1,536.2	33.2
Australia	0.0	323.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	325.1	7.0
USA	0.0	0.0	70.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	70.8	1.5
Rest of the World	0.0	25.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	6.0	33.0	0.7
All World	6.4	629.3	3,453.8	13.7	21.1	19.1	101.4	17.8	21.4	113.9	37.0	20.2	168.2	4,623.3	100.0

Table 3.2A: Total Exports by Country, Region and Principal Export Commodity Groups – December 2023 (Million Pula)

Period \ HS	Coal	Copper	Diamonds	Gold	Iron & Steel Products	Live Cattle	Machinery & Electrical Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Other Goods	Total
South Africa	2.1	0.1	1.9	4.5	3.8	6.3	19.2	5.1	5.4	31.7	4.2	0.5	15.2	100.0
Namibia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	12.1	2.1	2.6	0.0	1.6	17.4	63.3	100.0
Lesotho	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	70.4	28.2	100.0
Eswatini	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.5	0.0	83.6	100.0
SACU	1.8	0.1	1.6	3.8	3.3	5.3	18.0	4.6	4.9	26.7	3.8	3.4	22.7	100.0
Zimbabwe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	23.7	0.0	2.8	4.9	19.9	2.1	40.3	100.0
Other SADC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.2	3.5	1.5	33.7	2.9	9.5	41.7	100.0
SADC	1.3	0.0	1.1	2.7	3.7	3.8	18.5	3.5	4.2	22.4	7.3	3.5	28.0	100.0
Other Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	56.2	2.7	0.0	2.6	0.0	35.1	3.4	100.0
Africa	1.3	0.0	1.1	2.7	3.7	3.7	18.8	3.5	4.2	22.2	7.2	3.8	27.8	100.0
UAE	0.0	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
China	0.0	99.8	0.0	0.0	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	99.3	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other Asia	0.0	0.0	99.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	100.0
Asia	0.0	13.0	86.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	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	0.0	100.0
Other EU	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	88.2	100.0
EU	0.0	0.0	98.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	100.0
Australia	0.0	99.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
USA	0.0	0.0	99.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	100.0
Rest of the World	0.0	78.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	3.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	18.1	100.0
All World	0.1	13.6	74.7	0.3	0.5	0.4	2.2	0.4	0.5	2.5	0.8	0.4	3.6	100.0

Table 4.1 A: Top Imported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – December 2023 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contribution(%) Against Total Non Diamonds Imports	Contribution(%) Against Total Imports
1	27101230	Distillate fuel, as defined in Additional Note 1 (g)	742.2	13.7	11.6
2	27101202	Petrol, as defined in Additional Note 1 (b)	562.2	10.4	8.8
3	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	82.8	1.5	1.3
4	84314990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 84.25 to 84.30:	78.4	1.4	1.2
5	25232900	Other Portland cement	75.4	1.4	1.2
6	87032390	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons	73.4	1.4	1.1
7	22021010	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, in sealed containers holding 2,5 li or less (excluding those in collapsible plastic tubes)	55.5	1.0	0.9
8	87042181	Other, double-cab, of a vehicle mass not exceeding 2 000 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg, or of a mass not exceeding 1 600 kg or a G.V.M. not exceeding 3 500 kg per chassis fitted with a cab	40.3	0.7	0.6
9	72081000	In coils, not further worked than hot-rolled, with patterns in relief	40.1	0.7	0.6
10	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed	38.5	0.7	0.6
11	10059010	Dried Maize (Corn) kernels or grains fit for human consumption, not further prepared or processed and not packaged as seeds (excluding pop corn (ZEA MAYS EVERTA))	38.0	0.7	0.6
12	15121910	Sunflower-seed or safflower oil and fractions thereof, Marketed and supplied for use in the process of cooking food	37.1	0.7	0.6
13	87089990	Other parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of headings 87.01 to 87.05	36.1	0.7	0.6
14	22029990	Other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09)	35.0	0.6	0.5
15	17011300	Cane sugar specified in Subheading Note-2 to this Chapter	32.6	0.6	0.5
16	87041090	Other new dumpers designed for off-highway use	32.6	0.6	0.5
17	33049990	Other Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin (other than medicaments), including sunscreen or sun tan preparations	32.5	0.6	0.5
18	34012000	Soap in other forms	32.2	0.6	0.5
19	85171310	Designed for use when carried in the hand or on the person	30.6	0.6	0.5
20	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content of 5 per cent or less	26.6	0.5	0.4
21	38249999	Other mixtures	26.2	0.5	0.4
22	34029000	Other (surface-active preparations, washing preparations (including auxiliary washing preparations) and cleaning preparations, whether or not containing soap, other than those of heading 34.01)	25.7	0.5	0.4
23	73089099	Other Structures and parts of structures	25.6	0.5	0.4
24	74081100	Of which the maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeds 6 mm	25.5	0.5	0.4
25	17011200	Beet sugar	25.5	0.5	0.4

Table 4.1 A: Top Imported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – December 2023 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contribution(%) Against Total Non Diamonds Imports	Contribution(%) Against Total Imports
26	27101252	Other prepared lubricating oils	23.5	0.4	0.4
27	84749000	Parts	22.8	0.4	0.4
28	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.)	22.4	0.4	0.3
29	10059090	Other (Maize (Corn))	22.3	0.4	0.3
30	39041000	Poly(vinyl chloride), not mixed with any other substances	22.3	0.4	0.3
31	10019900	Other (of Wheat (excluding durum wheat) and Meslin)	21.5	0.4	0.3
32	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	21.4	0.4	0.3
33	31052000	Mineral or chemical fertilisers containing the three fertilising elements nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium	21.3	0.4	0.3
34	39269090	Other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of headings .39.01 to 39.14	21.1	0.4	0.3
35	30039090	" Other - Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail "	20.9	0.4	0.3
36	22030090	Other Beer made from malt, With an alcohol content exceeding 5 per cent	19.7	0.4	0.3
37	85371090	Boards, panels, consoles, desks, cabinets, etc., equipped with apparatus for electric control, for a voltage not exceeding 1,000, nes	19.6	0.4	0.3
38	27101201	Aviation spirit, as defined in Additional Note 1 (a)	19.3	0.4	0.3
39	85177900	Parts of telephone sets, telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks and of other apparatus for the transmission or reception of voice, images or other data, n.e.s.	18.5	0.3	0.3
40	87042290	Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods with compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel) and G.V.M. exceeding 5 t but not exceeding 20 t.	18.0	0.3	0.3
41	69074000	Finishing ceramics	17.7	0.3	0.3
42	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	17.6	0.3	0.3
43	87012120	Of a vehicle mass exceeding 1 600 kg	17.6	0.3	0.3
44	87032190	Other motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (other than those of heading 87.02) including station wagons and racing cars	17.3	0.3	0.3
45	84314300	Parts for boring or sinking machinery of Subheading 8430.41 or 8430.49	17.2	0.3	0.3
46	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	16.9	0.3	0.3
47	20098950	Other fruit juices	16.0	0.3	0.2
48	20099010	Mixtures of Fruit juices	15.7	0.3	0.2
49	10064000	Broken rice	15.5	0.3	0.2
50	84099990	Other parts suitable for use solely or principally with the engines of heading 84.07 or 84.08	15.4	0.3	0.2
Top 50 Imported Non Diamond Goods			2,732.0	50.5	42.5
Other Non Diamond Imports Goods			2,682.1	49.5	41.8
Total Non-Diamond Goods			5,414.1	100.0	84.3
Diamonds Imports			1,007.4		15.7
Total Imports			6,421.5		100.0

Table 4.1B: Top Exported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – December 2023 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contribution(%) Against Total Non Diamonds Imports	Contribution(%) Against Total Imports
1	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	629.3	53.8	13.6
2	28362000	Disodium carbonate	87.9	7.5	1.9
3	85443000	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets of a kind used in vehicles, aircraft or ships	37.1	3.2	0.8
4	25010090	Other Salt, pure sodium chloride or sea water	25.5	2.2	0.6
5	90158000	Other instruments and appliances	23.5	2.0	0.5
6	30021300	" Immunological products, unmixed, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale "	20.9	1.8	0.5
7	64059090	Other footwear	20.6	1.8	0.4
8	02023090	Other (boneless meat of bovine animals, frozen)	16.1	1.4	0.3
9	71081200	Other unwrought forms	13.7	1.2	0.3
10	27011900	Other coal	13.3	1.1	0.3
11	62171090	Other clothing accessories	11.4	1.0	0.2
12	63026090	Other Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabrics, of cotton	11.2	1.0	0.2
13	72142000	Containing indentations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process or twisted after rolling	11.1	0.9	0.2
14	39172300	Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, Of polymers of vinyl chloride	10.3	0.9	0.2
15	01022900	Other (cattle)	9.7	0.8	0.2
16	01022100	Pure-bred breeding animals (cattle)	9.4	0.8	0.2
17	85071099	Other lead-acid, of a kind used for starting piston engines	7.1	0.6	0.2
18	75012000	Nickel oxide sinters and other intermediate products of nickel metallurgy	6.8	0.6	0.1
19	85287290	Other colour reception apparatus for television, whether or not incorporating radio-broadcast receivers or sound or video recording or reproducing apparatus	6.7	0.6	0.1
20	27011200	Bituminous coal	6.4	0.6	0.1
21	11031310	Maize meal not further processed other than by the addition of minerals and vitamins not exceeding 1 per cent by mass of the final product, solely for the purpose of increasing the nutritional value	5.9	0.5	0.1
22	85446090	Electric conductors for a voltage > 1.000 V, insulated, not with copper conductors, n.e.s	5.7	0.5	0.1
23	68101100	Building blocks and bricks	5.2	0.4	0.1
24	12060000	Sunflower seeds, whether or not broken	5.0	0.4	0.1
25	85444290	Electric conductors, for a voltage <= 1.000 V, insulated, fitted with connectors, n.e.s. (other than of a kind used for telecommunications)	4.8	0.4	0.1

Table 4.1B: Top Exported Goods (Excluding Diamonds) – December 2023 (Million Pula)

Rank	HS Code	HS Description	BW Pula	Contribution(%) Against Total Non Diamonds Imports	Contribution(%) Against Total Imports
26	87032390	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of <10 persons, incl. station wagons and racing cars, with only spark-ignition internal combustion reciprocating piston engine of a cylinder capacity > 1.500 cm³ but ≤ 3.000 cm³, used (excl. vehicles for travelling on snow and other specially designed vehicles of subheading 870310)	4.3	0.4	0.1
27	26040000	Nickel ores and concentrates	4.3	0.4	0.1
28	63019000	Other blankets and travelling rugs	3.8	0.3	0.1
29	42034000	Other clothing accessories	3.7	0.3	0.1
30	84292000	Graders and levellers	3.5	0.3	0.1
31	85176290	Other machines for the reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, including switching and routing apparatus:	3.4	0.3	0.1
32	74040010	Of refined copper	3.3	0.3	0.1
33	21069090	Other Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included	3.2	0.3	0.1
34	30049099	Other medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses	3.1	0.3	0.1
35	85182100	Single loudspeakers, mounted in their enclosures	3.1	0.3	0.1
36	87089990	Other parts and accessories (other)	3.0	0.3	0.1
37	24022090	Other Cigarettes containing tobacco	3.0	0.3	0.1
38	85284910	Colour, with a screen size not exceeding 3 m x 4 m	2.9	0.3	0.1
39	87012220	Of a vehicle exceeding 1 600 kg	2.9	0.2	0.1
40	11031390	Other (Groats and meal of maize (corn))	2.6	0.2	0.1
41	99990010	Personal effects, new or used	2.6	0.2	0.1
42	76020090	Other aluminium waste and scrap	2.6	0.2	0.1
43	84314990	Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of heading 8429 or 8430, nes	2.5	0.2	0.1
44	61159600	Other Panty hose, tights, stockings, socks and other hosiery and footwear without applied soles, knitted or crocheted, Of synthetic fibres	2.3	0.2	0.1
45	72286000	Other bars and rods	2.3	0.2	0.1
46	84295120	Not tracked, driven by internal combustion piston engines, of a mass of 3 000 kg or more but not exceeding 30 000 kg (excluding those specially designed for use in mines)	2.3	0.2	0.0
47	48202000	Exercise books	2.2	0.2	0.0
48	85285990	Other monitors nes	2.2	0.2	0.0
49	74040090	Other copper waste and scrap	2.1	0.2	0.0
50	94036000	Other wooden furniture	1.9	0.2	0.0
Top 50 Exported Non-Diamond Goods			1,077.9	92.2	23.3
Other Non-Diamond Exports Goods			91.5	7.8	2.0
Total Non-Diamond Exports			1,169.5	100.0	25.3
Diamonds Exports			3,453.8		74.7
Total Exports			4,623.3		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.



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