

# South Africa

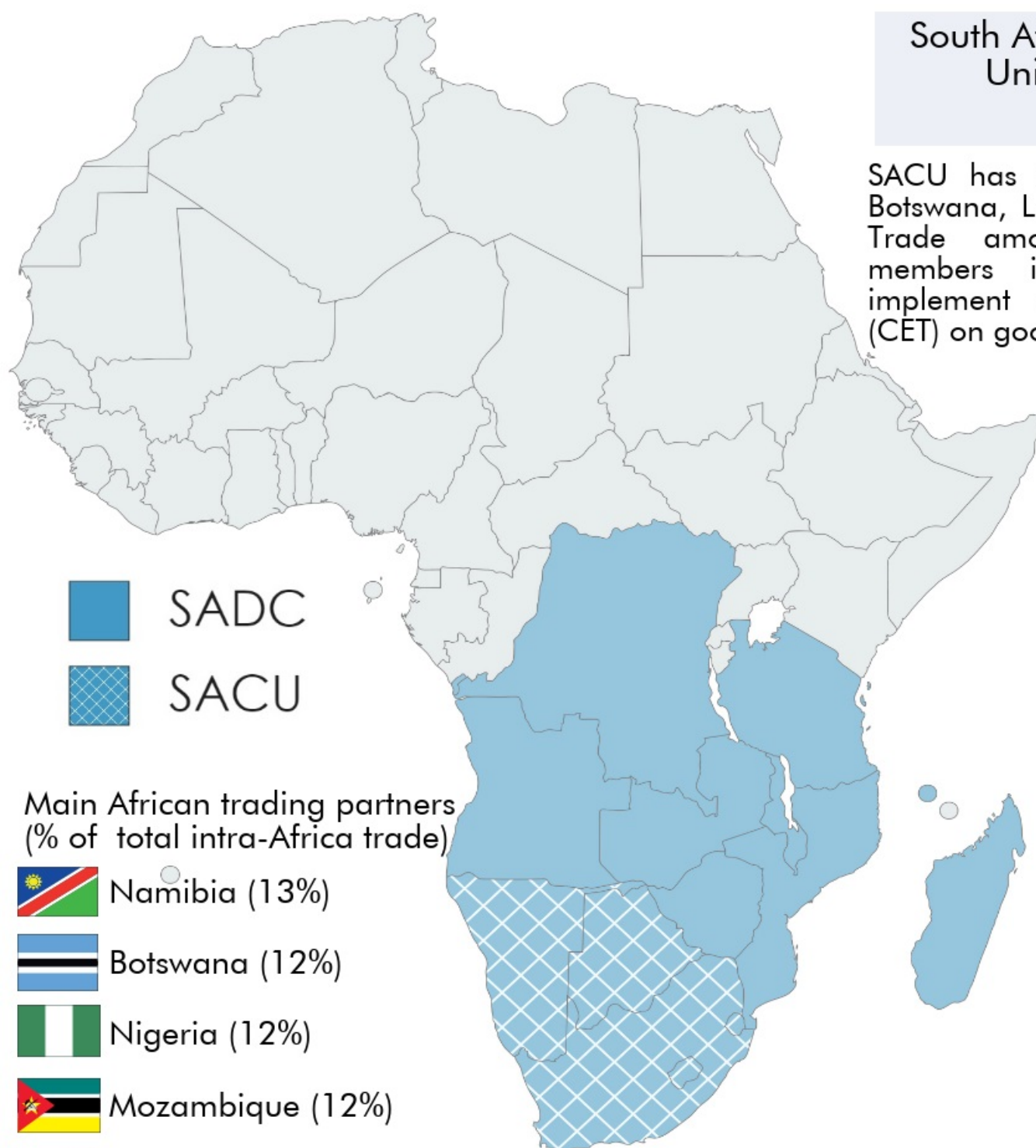
## Intra-Africa trade and tariff profile 2018



South Africa is a member of both the Southern African Customs Union (SACU) and the Southern African Development Community (SADC).

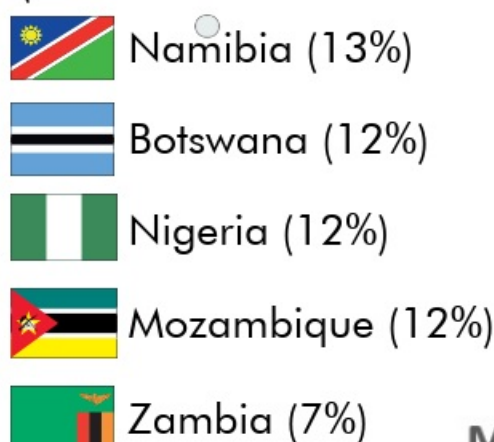
SACU has 5 members (South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, eSwatini). Trade among the customs union members is duty free, and they implement a common external tariff (CET) on goods from outside the Union.

SADC is a Regional Economic Community with 16 member states, including all SACU countries, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Mauritius, Mozambique, Malawi, Seychelles and Comoros. 13 SADC members are in a Free Trade Agreement (FTA); Comoros, DRC and Angola are yet to join the FTA.

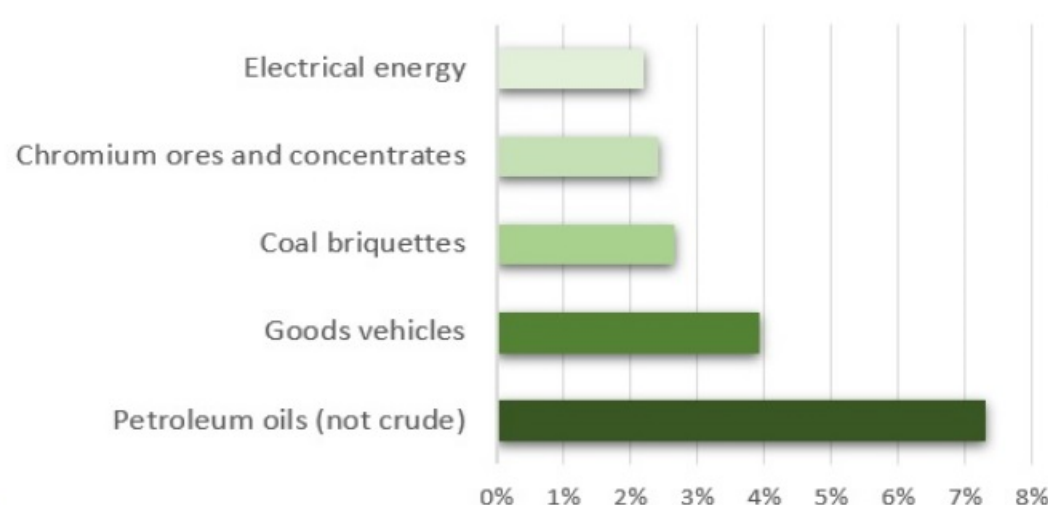


■ SADC  
■ SACU

Main African trading partners  
(% of total intra-Africa trade)

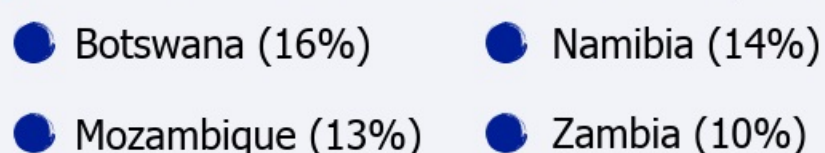


### Main intra-Africa export products

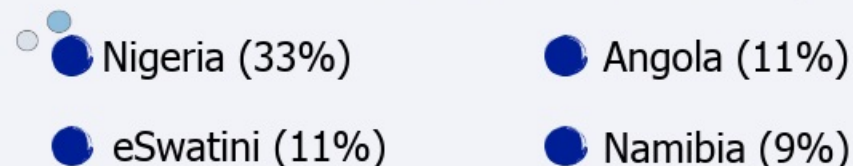


**19%** of total trade is intra-Africa

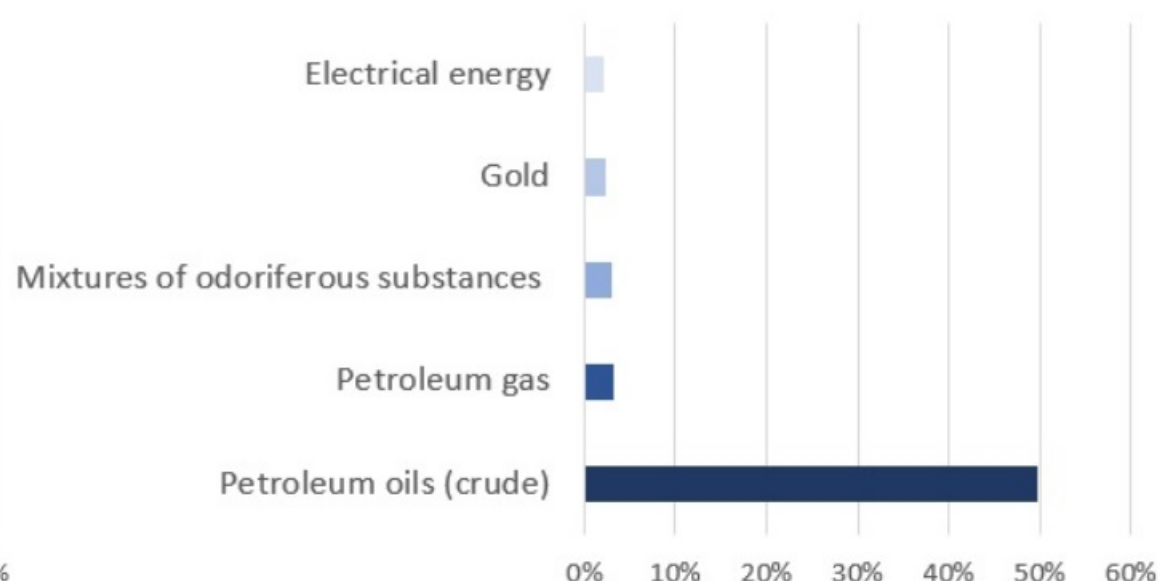
26% is intra-Africa exports



12% is intra-Africa imports



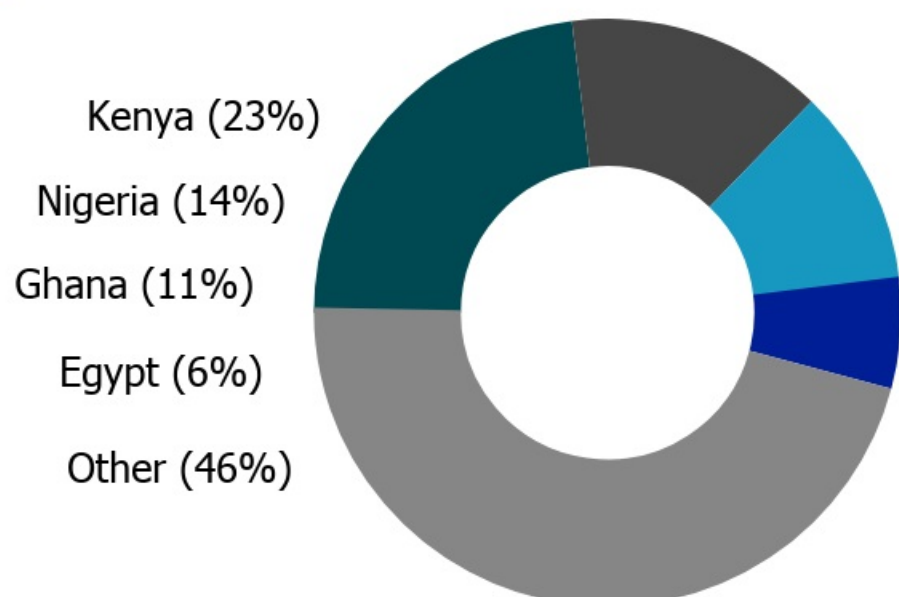
### Main intra-Africa import products



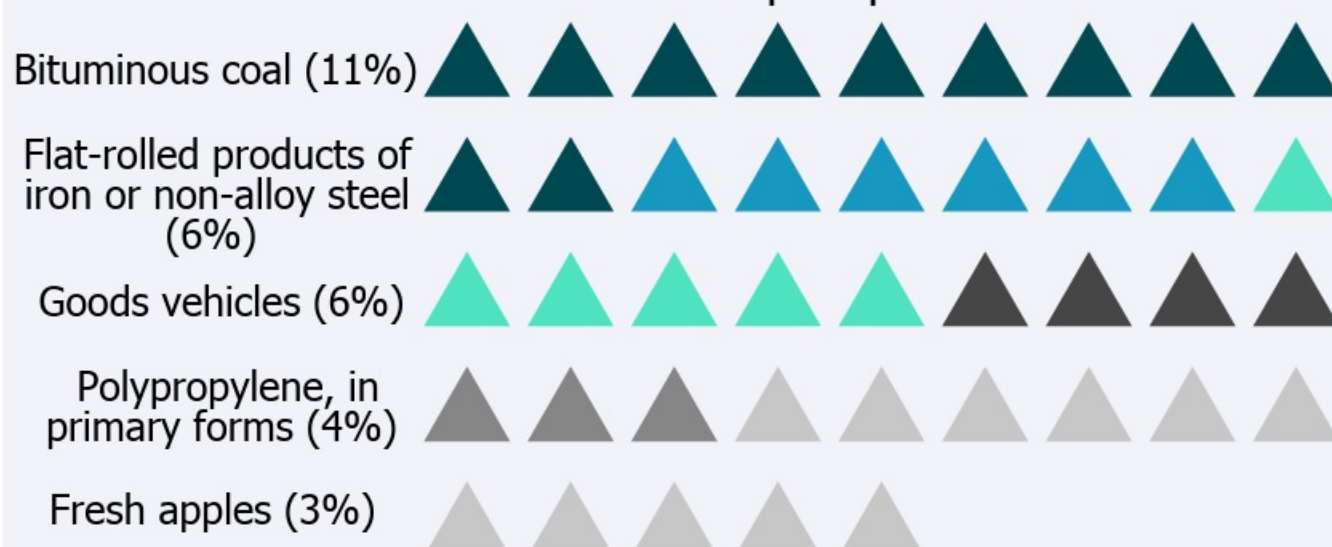
**13%**

of intra-Africa exports are to countries outside SACU and SADC

### Main destination markets



### Main export products





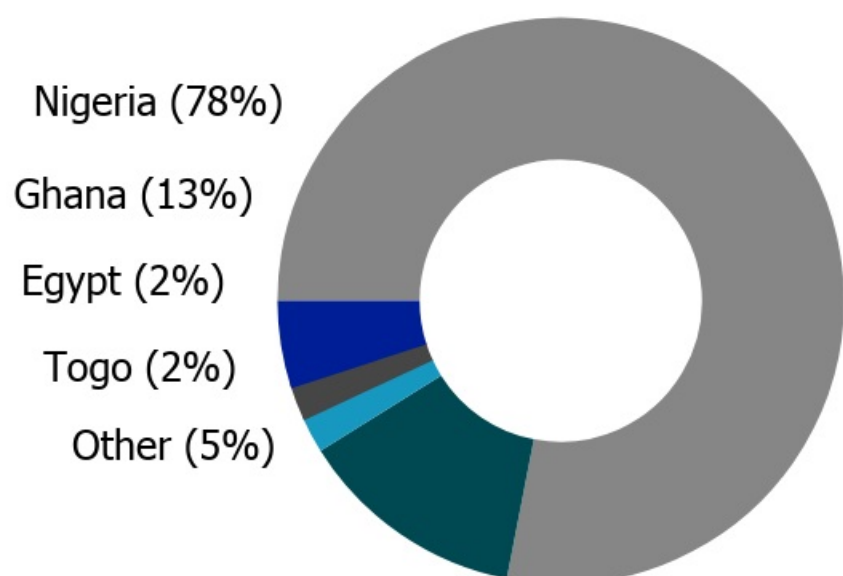
# Intra-Africa tariffs

Most of the goods imported into South Africa from other SADC member states enter duty-free. Since there is no Rule of Origin for wheat flour in SADC, it enters South Africa at the SACU MFN applied duty (73.61c/kg). Sugar imports, raw and refined face a specific duty of 401.79c/kg, while the duty on second-hand clothes varies depending on the tariff line (20% ad valorem, 35c/unit, 50c/unit and 60% or 2500c/kg). Tyre imports under HS980100 face a duty of 20%.

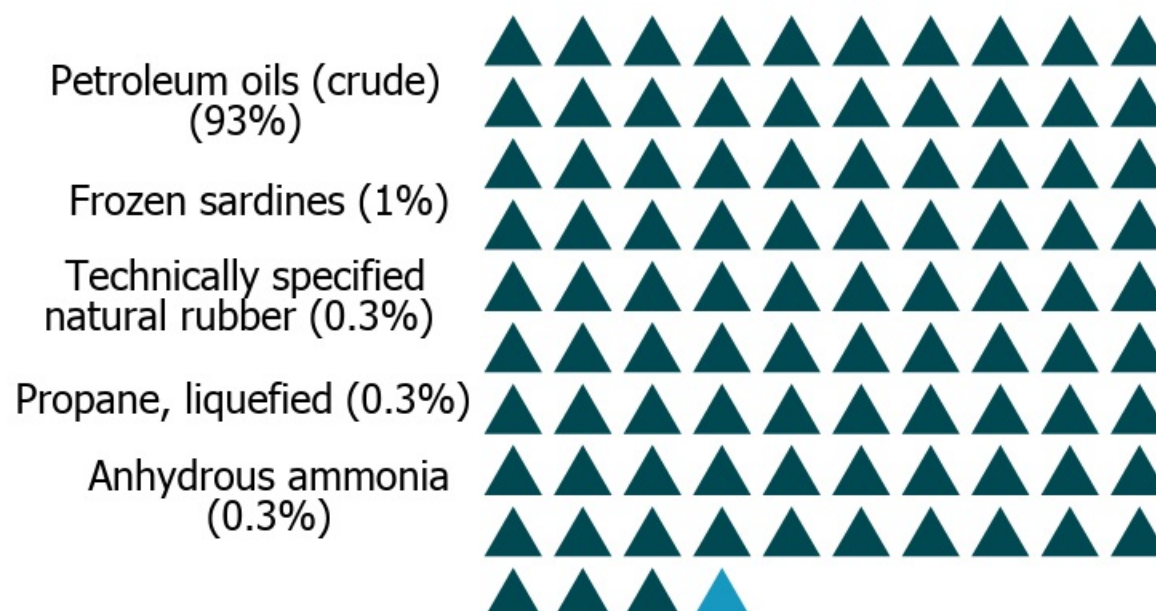
42%

of intra-Africa imports are from countries outside SACU and SADC

Main source markets



Main import products



African imports from outside SACU and SADC are levied MFN applied duties (SACU CET)

Of the top 20 products South Africa imports from non-SACU and SADC member states only four tariff lines (at the HS8 level) have non-zero tariffs. These are non-woven synthetics (10% import duty), oilcake (6.6% duty), ignition wiring (5% duty) and fresh grapes (4% duty).

## Highest MFN applied duties



T-shirts (45%)



False beards, eyebrows & eyelashes (20%)



Tyres (20%)



Non-woven synthetics (10%)



Dried kidney beans (10%)



Polymers of ethylene sheets (10%)



Black fermented tea (400c/kg)



Refined sugar (213.1c/kg)



Light oils (0.091c/litre)

## Lowest MFN applied duties



Oilcake (6.6%)



Ignition wiring (5%)



Fresh grapes (4%)



Crude petroleum oil (duty-free)



Frozen sardines (duty-free)



Liquefied propane (duty-free)



Cocoa paste (duty-free)