## SA Trade Statistics for March 2015 (including BLNS)

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| March 2015 (Preliminary) | R 91344321583 | R 90861783433 | R 482 538150 |
| February 2015 (Revised) | R 76590805282 | R 85316024139 | R -8 725218857 |
| R Increase/Decrease | R 14753516301 | R 5545759294 |  |
| $\%$ Growth | $19.3 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ |  |

## CUMULATIVE FIGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| January to March 2015 (Preliminary) | R 234826827758 | R 267445993123 | R -32 619165365 |
| January to March 2014 (Revised) | R 240804701496 | R 268023326737 | R -27 218625241 |


| R Increase/Decrease | R -5 977 873 738 | R -577 333 614 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $-2.5 \%$ | $-0.2 \%$ |

## COMMENTS

## Month on month increase/decrease

## EXPORTS

Section 5:
Section 14:
Section 15:
Section 16:
Section 17:

Section 2:
Section 5:
Section 16:
Section 17:
Section 23:

Mineral Products increased by
Precious Metals \& Stones increased by
Base Metals increased by
Machinery \& Electronics increased by
VehiclesTransport Equipment increased by

## IMPORTS

Vegetable Products decreased by
Mineral Products increased by
Machinery \& Electronics increased by
Vehicles Transport Equipment increased by
Equipment Components increased by

R 1102 million (-41\%)
R 1344 million (8\%)
R 4697 million (38\%)
R 1551 million (15\%)
R 1864 million (25\%)
R 1372 million
(13\%)

R 1266 million (9\%)
R 2061 million (11\%)
R 2544 million (29\%)
R 508 million

## International Trade (excluding BLNS)

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| March 2015 (Preliminary) | R 79495069180 | R 88074544810 | R -8 579 475 630 |
| February 2015 (Revised) | R 65796902117 | R 82891358006 | R -17 094455889 |
| R Increase/Decrease | R 13698167063 | R 5183186804 |  |
| \% Growth | $20.8 \%$ | $6.3 \%$ |  |

## CUMULATIVE FIGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January to March 2015 (Preliminary) | R 202852029902 | R 259982122532 | R-57130 092630 |
| January to March 2014 (Revised) | R 209242984661 | R 261683382644 | R -52 440397983 |
| R Increase/Decrease | R -6 390954759 | R-1 701260112 |  |
| \% Growth | -3.1\% | -0.7\% |  |

## BLNS

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| March 2015 (Preliminary) | R 11849252403 | R 2787238623 | R 9062013780 |
| February 2015 (Revised) | R 10793903165 | R 2424666133 | R 8369237032 |


| R Increase/Decrease | R 1055349238 | R 362572490 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $\%$ Growth | $9.8 \%$ | $15.0 \%$ |

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January to March 2015 (Preliminary) | R 31974797856 | R 7463870591 | R 24510927265 |
| January to March 2014 (Revised) | R 31561716835 | R 6339944093 | R 25221772742 |
|  |  |  |  |
| R Increase/Decrease | R 413081021 | R 1123926498 |  |
| \% Growth | 1.3\% | 17.7\% |  |

## Preliminary SA Monthly Statement (including BLNS)

| METHODOLOGY |
| :--- | :--- |
| COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES. |
| ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS A RESULT OF AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION INESPECT OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS | | Monthly export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of goods. The |
| ---: |
| figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month to and from South Africa. Cursory checks of the figures are |
| made prior to the publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible. |

WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | March 2015 / February 2015 Revision |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| World Zone | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
|  | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| AFRICA | 26220.8 | 22970.1 | 14.2\% | -151.4 | 11096.9 | 11571.9 | -4.1\% | -0.3 |
| AMERICA | 9118.4 | 7604.3 | 19.9\% | 27.9 | 10411.3 | 9433.3 | 10.4\% | -4.5 |
| ASIA | 26904.1 | 22728.0 | 18.4\% | -100.0 | 39223.0 | 38350.7 | 2.3\% | 0.9 |
| EUROPE | 21658.0 | 18276.4 | 18.5\% | -30.9 | 28910.4 | 24082.3 | 20.0\% | -0.4 |
| OCEANIA | 1091.8 | 801.7 | 36.2\% | -0.9 | 1045.1 | 1702.3 | -38.6\% | -6.3 |
| OTHER UNCLASSIFIED | 6129.1 | 3604.7 | 70.0\% | - | 175.0 | 175.5 | -0.3\% | -0.0 |
| SHIP/AIRCRAFT | 222.1 | 605.6 | -63.3\% | - | - | - | 0.0\% | - |
| Total | 91344.3 | 76590.8 | 19.3\% | -255.3 | 90861.8 | 85316.0 | 6.5\% | -10.6 |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 1229.0 | 982.3 | 25.1\% | -0.1 | 1372.8 | 1052.0 | 30.5\% | -0.8 |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 3952.9 | 3337.8 | 18.4\% | 0.0 | 1554.1 | 2655.6 | -41.5\% | -6.5 |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 292.9 | 208.4 | 40.6\% | - | 392.1 | 497.1 | -21.1\% | 0.0 |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 3571.2 | 2997.8 | 19.1\% | -6.7 | 2498.6 | 2775.9 | -10.0\% | -1.3 |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 17489.4 | 16145.1 | 8.3\% | -204.4 | 15829.7 | 14563.5 | 8.7\% | 0.3 |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 5674.4 | 4553.3 | 24.6\% | 3.3 | 8481.9 | 8425.3 | 0.7\% | 1.9 |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 1955.2 | 1732.4 | 12.9\% | -1.2 | 3492.2 | 3194.2 | 9.3\% | -1.4 |
| VIII (41-43) | Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut). | 415.6 | 494.5 | -16.0\% | 0.0 | 330.0 | 365.1 | -9.6\% | -0.4 |
| IX (44-46) | Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork. | 597.2 | 615.0 | -2.9\% | -0.2 | 421.9 | 414.0 | 1.9\% | - |
| X (47-49) | Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof. | 1695.0 | 1417.8 | 19.6\% | -17.9 | 1209.3 | 1111.0 | 8.8\% | 0.1 |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1362.8 | 1110.0 | 22.8\% | 0.6 | 3452.6 | 3470.9 | -0.5\% | 1.3 |
| XII (64-67) | Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair. | 256.5 | 200.6 | 27.9\% | -0.0 | 948.9 | 1362.1 | -30.3\% | 0.3 |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 487.0 | 403.7 | 20.6\% | 0.0 | 1059.1 | 989.1 | 7.1\% | -0.6 |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 17132.9 | 12435.9 | 37.8\% | -0.0 | 916.9 | 651.8 | 40.7\% | 0.0 |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 11564.5 | 10013.8 | 15.5\% | -17.3 | 4996.6 | 5306.6 | -5.8\% | 2.0 |
| XVI (84-85) | Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles. | 9287.0 | 7423.2 | 25.1\% | 2.2 | 21378.2 | 19316.8 | 10.7\% | -3.9 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 12224.6 | 10852.3 | 12.6\% | -12.9 | 11289.5 | 8745.6 | 29.1\% | -2.0 |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 738.5 | 860.5 | -14.2\% | -0.3 | 2560.4 | 2277.3 | 12.4\% | 0.2 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 695.0 | 582.6 | 19.3\% | -0.6 | 1263.2 | 1292.3 | -2.3\% | 0.3 |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 82.9 | 35.0 | 137.1\% | 0.1 | 17.8 | 29.0 | -38.8\% | - |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 639.5 | 184.5 | 246.7\% | 0.1 | 215.0 | 147.6 | 45.6\% | - |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 0.4 | 4.4 | -90.7\% | - | 7181.0 | 6673.1 | 7.6\% | -0.1 |
| Total |  | 91344.3 | 76590.8 | 19.3\% | -255.3 | 90861.8 | 85316.0 | 6.5\% | -10.6 |

## Preliminary SA Cumulative Statement (including BLNS)

| METHODOLOGY |
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| CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE |
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| errors as possible. |

WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | January to March 2015 / January to March 2014 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |
| World Zone | January to March 2015 | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to March 2015 | January to March 2014 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| AFRICA | 69159.7 | 70383.8 | -1.7\% | 34696.1 | 36385.9 | -4.6\% |
| AMERICA | 23556.4 | 21468.0 | 9.7\% | 29679.0 | 26768.9 | 10.9\% |
| ASIA | 69489.5 | 76567.8 | -9.2\% | 119002.7 | 124122.6 | -4.1\% |
| EUROPE | 56206.8 | 56670.5 | -0.8\% | 79462.2 | 76546.6 | 3.8\% |
| OCEANIA | 2757.3 | 2230.8 | 23.6\% | 4105.5 | 3438.9 | 19.4\% |
| OTHER UNCLASSIFIED | 12189.3 | 13124.1 | -7.1\% | 500.5 | 760.4 | -34.2\% |
| SHIP/AIRCRAFT | 1467.9 | 359.5 | 308.3\% | - | - | 0.0\% |
| Total | 234826.8 | 240804.7 | -2.5\% | 267446.0 | 268023.3 | -0.2\% |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(cha pter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | January to March 2015 | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to March $2015$ | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 3154.5 | 2936.1 | 7.4\% | 3494.1 | 2572.7 | 35.8\% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 10564.8 | 10356.5 | 2.0\% | 5549.1 | 5062.9 | 9.6\% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 673.7 | 633.4 | 6.4\% | 1226.6 | 1863.4 | -34.2\% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 9347.3 | 9427.2 | -0.8\% | 7823.8 | 7268.1 | 7.6\% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 51768.4 | 62552.2 | -17.2\% | 49192.2 | 69097.6 | -28.8\% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 15043.1 | 14194.7 | 6.0\% | 25457.0 | 23316.0 | 9.2\% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 4924.9 | 5552.6 | -11.3\% | 10756.2 | 9863.6 | 9.0\% |
| VIII (41-43) | Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut). | 1214.4 | 1149.8 | 5.6\% | 1061.2 | 927.3 | 14.4\% |
| IX (44-46) | Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork. | 1541.4 | 1356.3 | 13.6\% | 1311.7 | 1176.1 | 11.5\% |
| X (47-49) | Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof. | 4405.6 | 4672.5 | -5.7\% | 3615.1 | 3733.2 | -3.2\% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 3270.4 | 3163.7 | 3.4\% | 9987.4 | 8883.2 | 12.4\% |
| XII (64-67) | Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair. | 589.5 | 533.2 | 10.5\% | 3380.4 | 2955.2 | 14.4\% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 1212.1 | 1231.0 | -1.5\% | 3143.3 | 2634.8 | 19.3\% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 39107.3 | 40483.1 | -3.4\% | 2206.4 | 3039.5 | -27.4\% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 30846.2 | 33577.9 | -8.1\% | 15580.4 | 12260.7 | 27.1\% |
| XVI (84-85) | Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles. | 22927.5 | 22152.1 | 3.5\% | 62419.1 | 61059.0 | 2.2\% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 29306.8 | 22668.7 | 29.3\% | 30034.9 | 25664.6 | 17.0\% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 2117.9 | 1684.4 | 25.7\% | 6810.7 | 6587.7 | 3.4\% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 1733.3 | 1847.7 | -6.2\% | 3902.5 | 3613.9 | 8.0\% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 149.5 | 142.8 | 4.7\% | 64.5 | 257.5 | -74.9\% |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 919.5 | 472.4 | 94.6\% | 440.7 | 509.9 | -13.6\% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 8.7 | 16.4 | -46.8\% | 19988.7 | 15676.4 | 27.5\% |
| Total |  | 234826.8 | 240804.7 | -2.5\% | 267446.0 | 268023.3 | -0.2\% |

## Preliminary SA Monthly Statement (excluding BLNS)



| PERIOD: | March 2015 / February 2015 Revision |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| World Zone | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
|  | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| AFRICA | 14371.6 | 12176.2 | 18.0\% | -151.0 | 8309.7 | 9147.3 | -9.2\% | 0.2 |
| AMERICA | 9118.4 | 7604.3 | 19.9\% | 27.9 | 10411.3 | 9433.3 | 10.4\% | -4.5 |
| ASIA | 26904.1 | 22728.0 | 18.4\% | -100.0 | 39223.0 | 38350.7 | 2.3\% | 0.9 |
| EUROPE | 21658.0 | 18276.4 | 18.5\% | -30.9 | 28910.4 | 24082.3 | 20.0\% | -0.4 |
| OCEANIA | 1091.8 | 801.7 | 36.2\% | -0.9 | 1045.1 | 1702.3 | -38.6\% | -6.3 |
| OTHER UNCLASSIFIED | 6129.1 | 3604.7 | 70.0\% | - | 175.0 | 175.5 | -0.3\% | -0.0 |
| SHIP/AIRCRAFT | 222.1 | 605.6 | -63.3\% | - | - | - | 0.0\% | - |
| Total | 79495.1 | 65796.9 | 20.8\% | -254.9 | 88074.5 | 82891.4 | 6.3\% | -10.1 |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 925.1 | 727.5 | 27.2\% | -0.0 | 1054.9 | 765.1 | 37.9\% | 0.0 |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 3389.8 | 2891.2 | 17.2\% | 0.0 | 1520.1 | 2627.7 | -42.2\% | -6.5 |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 198.4 | 149.1 | 33.1\% | - | 390.5 | 496.4 | -21.3\% | 0.0 |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 2630.3 | 2077.1 | 26.6\% | -6.7 | 2120.4 | 2323.6 | -8.7\% | -1.3 |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 15763.2 | 14382.5 | 9.6\% | -204.9 | 15780.8 | 14527.1 | 8.6\% | 0.3 |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 4667.9 | 3718.1 | 25.5\% | 3.6 | 7946.5 | 7854.5 | 1.2\% | 1.9 |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 1438.5 | 1229.3 | 17.0\% | -1.2 | 3450.9 | 3155.8 | 9.4\% | -1.4 |
| VIII (41-43) | Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut). | 361.9 | 452.4 | -20.0\% | 0.0 | 292.6 | 332.5 | -12.0\% | -0.3 |
| IX (44-46) | Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork. | 448.5 | 487.5 | -8.0\% | -0.1 | 340.3 | 342.4 | -0.6\% |  |
| X (47-49) | Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof. | 1443.8 | 1180.1 | 22.3\% | -18.0 | 1177.6 | 1083.7 | 8.7\% | 0.0 |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 814.1 | 665.8 | 22.3\% | 0.6 | 3094.2 | 3157.5 | -2.0\% | 1.3 |
| XII (64-67) | Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair. | 71.5 | 69.4 | 3.0\% | -0.0 | 940.2 | 1351.3 | -30.4\% | 0.3 |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 345.6 | 277.5 | 24.6\% | 0.0 | 1048.3 | 978.6 | 7.1\% | -0.6 |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 16398.3 | 11399.6 | 43.9\% | -0.0 | 426.8 | 431.7 | -1.1\% | 0.0 |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 10676.5 | 9267.9 | 15.2\% | -17.3 | 4914.2 | 5227.8 | -6.0\% | 1.6 |
| XVI (84-85) | Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles. | 7480.8 | 5959.3 | 25.5\% | 2.7 | 21120.4 | 19119.3 | 10.5\% | -3.9 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 10734.8 | 9573.6 | 12.1\% | -12.9 | 11246.2 | 8717.1 | 29.0\% | -2.0 |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 586.4 | 739.3 | -20.7\% | -0.3 | 2555.3 | 2275.1 | 12.3\% | 0.2 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 403.4 | 332.0 | 21.5\% | -0.6 | 1244.1 | 1275.9 | -2.5\% | 0.3 |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 82.6 | 34.7 | 138.2\% | 0.1 | 17.7 | 29.0 | -38.9\% | - |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 633.4 | 178.7 | 254.4\% | 0.1 | 211.6 | 146.1 | 44.8\% |  |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 0.3 | 4.3 | -92.2\% | - | 7181.0 | 6673.1 | 7.6\% | -0.1 |
| Total |  | 79495.1 | 65796.9 | 20.8\% | -254.9 | 88074.5 | 82891.4 | 6.3\% | -10.1 |

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| METHODOLOGY |
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| - PERIOD: | January to March 2015 / January to March 2014 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| World Zone | January to March 2015 | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to March 2015 | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| AFRICA | 37184.9 | 38822.1 | -4.2\% | 27232.2 | 30045.9 | -9.4\% |
| AMERICA | 23556.4 | 21468.0 | 9.7\% | 29679.0 | 26768.9 | 10.9\% |
| ASIA | 69489.5 | 76567.8 | -9.2\% | 119002.7 | 124122.6 | -4.1\% |
| EUROPE | 56206.8 | 56670.5 | -0.8\% | 79462.2 | 76546.6 | 3.8\% |
| OCEANIA | 2757.3 | 2230.8 | 23.6\% | 4105.5 | 3438.9 | 19.4\% |
| OTHER UNCLASSIFIED | 12189.3 | 13124.1 | -7.1\% | 500.5 | 760.4 | -34.2\% |
| SHIP/AIRCRAFT | 1467.9 | 359.5 | 308.3\% | - | - | 0.0\% |
| Total | 202852.0 | 209243.0 | -3.1\% | 259982.1 | 261683.4 | -0.7 |

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(cha pter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | January to March 2015 | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to March 2015 | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| 1 (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 2351.8 | 2246.1 | 4.7\% | 2659.3 | 2040.8 | 30.3\% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 9098.8 | 8734.9 | 4.2\% | 5448.6 | 4969.9 | 9.6\% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 460.9 | 410.4 | 12.3\% | 1223.5 | 1860.8 | -34.2\% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 6408.5 | 6849.0 | -6.4\% | 6628.5 | 6357.7 | 4.3\% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 46693.2 | 57178.1 | -18.3\% | 49055.9 | 68826.3 | -28.7\% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 12331.0 | 11755.0 | 4.9\% | 23856.3 | 21878.9 | 9.0\% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 3533.3 | 4288.8 | -17.6\% | 10647.1 | 9776.9 | 8.9\% |
| VIII (41-43) | Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut). | 1073.8 | 1067.5 | 0.6\% | 959.9 | 887.2 | 8.2\% |
| IX (44-46) | Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork. | 1168.0 | 1037.5 | 12.6\% | 1095.1 | 987.0 | 11.0\% |
| X (47-49) | Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof. | 3661.0 | 4001.5 | -8.5\% | 3533.1 | 3640.2 | -2.9\% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1939.9 | 1937.6 | 0.1\% | 9051.5 | 8121.3 | 11.5\% |
| XII (64-67) | Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair. | 176.0 | 159.1 | 10.6\% | 3353.0 | 2910.1 | 15.2\% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 832.2 | 853.2 | -2.5\% | 3113.9 | 2610.6 | 19.3\% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 36958.7 | 37159.7 | -0.5\% | 1206.0 | 1918.5 | -37.1\% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 28633.2 | 31722.1 | -9.7\% | 15304.1 | 12049.8 | 27.0\% |
| XVI (84-85) | Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles. | 18402.9 | 18057.1 | 1.9\% | 61772.4 | 60674.0 | 1.8\% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 25339.4 | 18647.5 | 35.9\% | 29935.3 | 25570.3 | 17.1\% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 1731.6 | 1294.7 | 33.7\% | 6798.7 | 6576.5 | 3.4\% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 998.0 | 1237.6 | -19.4\% | 3856.6 | 3597.4 | 7.2\% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 148.5 | 141.6 | 4.9\% | 64.4 | 255.8 | -74.8\% |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 902.8 | 454.6 | 98.6\% | 430.3 | 496.9 | -13.4\% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 8.6 | 9.5 | -9.8\% | 19988.7 | 15676.4 | 27.5\% |
| Total |  | 202852.0 | 209243.0 | -3.1\% | 259982.1 | 261683.4 | -0.7\% |

## Preliminary BLNS Monthly Statement

| COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES. ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS A RESULT OF AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION IN RESPECT OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS | Monthly export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of goods. The figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month to and from South Africa. Cursory checks of the figures are made prior to the publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible. |
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | March 2015 / February 2015 Revision |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| World Zone | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
|  | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage <br> Increase/ <br> Decrease | Revision | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| AFRICA | 11849.3 | 10793.9 | 9.8\% | -0.4 | 2787.2 | 2424.7 | 15.0\% | -0.5 |
| Total | 11849.3 | 10793.9 | 9.8\% | -0.4 | 2787.2 | 2424.7 | 15.0\% | -0.5 |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section <br> (Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision | March 2015 | February 2015 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 303.9 | 254.9 | 19.2\% | -0.1 | 317.9 | 286.9 | 10.8\% | -0.8 |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 563.0 | 446.6 | 26.1\% | - | 33.9 | 27.9 | 21.6\% | - |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 94.5 | 59.3 | 59.5\% | - | 1.6 | 0.7 | 143.1\% | - |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 940.8 | 920.7 | 2.2\% | -0.0 | 378.3 | 452.3 | -16.4\% | - |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 1726.2 | 1762.6 | -2.1\% | 0.5 | 48.9 | 36.4 | 34.4\% | -0.0 |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 1006.5 | 835.2 | 20.5\% | -0.4 | 535.4 | 570.8 | -6.2\% | - |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 516.8 | 503.0 | 2.7\% | - | 41.2 | 38.4 | 7.4\% | - |
| VIII (41-43) | Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut). | 53.7 | 42.1 | 27.5\% |  | 37.4 | 32.6 | 14.9\% | -0.1 |
| IX (44-46) | Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork. | 148.6 | 127.5 | 16.6\% | -0.1 | 81.6 | 71.6 | 14.0\% | - |
| X (47-49) | Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof. | 251.2 | 237.7 | 5.7\% | 0.0 | 31.7 | 27.3 | 16.2\% | 0.0 |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 548.8 | 444.2 | 23.5\% | 0.0 | 358.4 | 313.4 | 14.4\% | - |
| XII (64-67) | Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair. | 185.1 | 131.1 | 41.1\% | - | 8.7 | 10.7 | -19.2\% | - |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 141.3 | 126.3 | 11.9\% | - | 10.8 | 10.6 | 2.3\% | -0.0 |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 734.5 | 1036.4 | -29.1\% | - | 490.1 | 220.1 | 122.7\% | - |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 888.0 | 745.9 | 19.1\% | 0.0 | 82.4 | 78.8 | 4.5\% | 0.4 |
| XVI (84-85) | Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles. | 1806.2 | 1464.0 | 23.4\% | -0.4 | 257.8 | 197.5 | 30.5\% | 0.0 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 1489.8 | 1278.8 | 16.5\% | - | 43.3 | 28.5 | 52.2\% | 0.0 |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 152.1 | 121.2 | 25.5\% | - | 5.2 | 2.2 | 133.4\% | -0.0 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 291.6 | 250.5 | 16.4\% | 0.0 | 19.1 | 16.4 | 15.9\% | - |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 0.3 | 0.3 | 11.2\% | - | 0.0 | 0.0 | 72.4\% | - |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 6.2 | 5.8 | 6.4\% |  | 3.5 | 1.6 | 123.5\% | - |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 0.1 | 0.1 | 11.4\% | - | - |  | 0.0\% | - |
| Total |  | 11849.3 | 10793.9 | 9.8\% | -0.4 | 2787.2 | 2424.7 | 15.0\% | -0.5 |

## Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement

| METHODOLOGY |
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| CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE |
| CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR |$\quad$| Export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of |
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| goods. The figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month from and to South Africa. |
| Cursory checks of the figures are made prior to publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing |
| errors as possible. |

## WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | January to March 2015 / January to March 2014 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| World Zone | January to March 2015 | January to March 2014 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to March 2015 | January to March $2014$ | Percentage <br> Increase/ <br> Decrease |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| AFRICA | 31974.8 | 31561.7 | 1.3\% | 7463.9 | 6339.9 | 17.7\% |
| Total | 31974.8 | 31561.7 | 1.3\% | 7463.9 | 6339.9 | 17.7\% |

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(cha pter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | January to March $2015$ | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | January to March $2015$ | January to March $2014$ | Percentage Increase/ Decrease |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| 1 (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 802.6 | 690.1 | 16.3\% | 834.8 | 531.8 | 57.0\% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 1466.0 | 1621.7 | -9.6\% | 100.5 | 93.0 | 8.1\% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 212.8 | 223.0 | -4.6\% | 3.1 | 2.6 | 19.3\% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 2938.8 | 2578.2 | 14.0\% | 1195.3 | 910.4 | 31.3\% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 5075.2 | 5374.2 | -5.6\% | 136.4 | 271.3 | -49.7\% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 2712.1 | 2439.7 | 11.2\% | 1600.7 | 1437.1 | 11.4\% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 1391.7 | 1263.7 | 10.1\% | 109.1 | 86.7 | 25.8\% |
| VIII (41-43) | Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut). | 140.7 | 82.2 | 71.0\% | 101.2 | 40.1 | 152.5\% |
| IX (44-46) | Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork. | 373.4 | 318.8 | 17.1\% | 216.6 | 189.1 | 14.5\% |
| X (47-49) | Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof. | 744.6 | 670.9 | 11.0\% | 82.0 | 92.9 | -11.8\% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1330.4 | 1226.1 | 8.5\% | 935.9 | 762.0 | 22.8\% |
| XII (64-67) | Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair. | 413.5 | 374.2 | 10.5\% | 27.4 | 45.1 | -39.2\% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 379.8 | 377.8 | 0.5\% | 29.4 | 24.2 | 21.3\% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 2148.7 | 3323.4 | -35.3\% | 1000.4 | 1121.0 | -10.8\% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 2213.0 | 1855.9 | 19.2\% | 276.3 | 210.9 | 31.0\% |
| XVI (84-85) | Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles. | 4524.6 | 4095.0 | 10.5\% | 646.7 | 385.1 | 67.9\% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 3967.5 | 4021.2 | -1.3\% | 99.6 | 94.2 | 5.7\% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 386.3 | 389.7 | -0.9\% | 12.1 | 11.1 | 8.4\% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 735.2 | 610.0 | 20.5\% | 45.9 | 16.5 | 178.5\% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 1.0 | 1.2 | -17.8\% | 0.1 | 1.6 | -94.5\% |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 16.8 | 17.8 | -5.6\% | 10.4 | 13.0 | -19.9\% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 0.1 | 6.9 | -98.1\% | - | 0.0 | -100.0\% |
| Total |  | 31974.8 | 31561.7 | 1.3\% | 7463.9 | 6339.9 | 17.7\% |

