March 2014

## South African Trade Statistics for March 2014 (including BLNS)

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| March 2014 (Preliminary) | $\mathrm{R} 80,264,972,775$ | $\mathrm{R} 91,654,656,688$ | $\mathrm{R}-11,389,683,913$ |
| February 2014 (Revised) | $\mathrm{R} 82,779,620,618$ | $\mathrm{R} 82,132,154,089$ | $\mathrm{R} 647,466,529$ |


| R Increase/Decrease | $\mathrm{R}-2,514,647,843$ | $\mathrm{R} \mathrm{9,522,502,599}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $-3.0 \%$ | $11.6 \%$ |

## CUMULATIVE FGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| January to March 2014 (Preliminary) | $\mathrm{R} 240,828,303,434$ | $\mathrm{R} 268,514,419,152$ | $\mathrm{R}-27,686,115,718$ |
| January to March 2013 (Revised) | $\mathrm{R} 206,822,732,707$ | $\mathrm{R} 228,428,543,225$ | $\mathrm{R}-21,605,810,518$ |


| R Increase/Decrease | R 34,005,570,727 | R 40,085,875,927 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $16.4 \%$ | $17.5 \%$ |

## COMMENTS

## Month on month increase/decrease

## EXPORTS

Section 5:
Section 6:
Section 14:
Section 16:

Mineral products decreased by
Chemical Products increased by
Precious Metals and Stones decreased by
Machinery and Electronics increased by

R 3,645 million (-17\%)
R 891 million (20\%)
R 477 million (-4\%)
R 685 million (9\%)

## IMPORTS

Vegetable Products increased by
R 813 million (77\%)
Mineral products increased by
Textiles decreased by
R 7,150 million (37\%)
R 790 million ( $-24 \%$ )
Base Metals decreased by
Machinery and Electronics increased by
Vehicles and Transport Equipment increased by

R 735 million (-17\%)
R 2,332 million (13\%) R 809 million (9\%)

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## International Trade (excluding BLNS)

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| March 2014 (Preliminary) | $\mathrm{R} 68,392,321,163$ | $\mathrm{R} 89,553,229,450$ | $\mathrm{R}-21,160,908,287$ |
| February 2014 (Revised) | $\mathrm{R} 72,326,870,960$ | $\mathrm{R} 79,905,598,126$ | $\mathrm{R}-7,578,727,166$ |


| R Increase/Decrease | $\mathrm{R}-3,934,549,797$ | $\mathrm{R} \mathrm{9,647,631,324}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $-5.4 \%$ | $12.1 \%$ |

## CUMULATIVE FGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| January to March 2014 (Preliminary) | R 209,136,184,480 | R 262,179,896,718 | $\mathrm{R}-53,043,712,238$ |
| January to March 2013 (Revised) | $\mathrm{R} 181,610,485,477$ | $\mathrm{R} 221,888,729,624$ | $\mathrm{R}-40,278,244,147$ |


| R Increase/Decrease | R 27,525,699,003 | R 40,291,167,094 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $15.2 \%$ | $18.2 \%$ |

## BLNS

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| March 2014 (Preliminary) | R $11,872,651,612$ | $\mathrm{R} 2,101,427,238$ | $\mathrm{R} 9,771,224,374$ |
| February 2014 (Revised) | $\mathrm{R} 10,452,749,658$ | $\mathrm{R} 2,226,555,963$ | $\mathrm{R} 8,226,193,695$ |


| R Increase/Decrease | $\mathrm{R} 1,419,901,954$ | $\mathrm{R}-125,128,725$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $13.6 \%$ | $-5.6 \%$ |

## CUMULATIVE RGURE

|  | EXPORTS | IMPORTS | TRADE BALANCE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| January to March 2014 (Preliminary) | $\mathrm{R} 31,692,118,954$ | $\mathrm{R} 6,334,522,434$ | $\mathrm{R} 25,357,596,520$ |
| January to March 2013 (Revised) | $\mathrm{R} 25,212,247,230$ | $\mathrm{R} 6,539,813,601$ | $\mathrm{R} 18,672,433,629$ |


| R Increase/Decrease | $\mathrm{R} 6,479,871,724$ | $\mathrm{R}-205,291,167$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% Growth | $25.7 \%$ | $-3.1 \%$ |

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | March 2014 / February 2014 Revision |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| World Zone | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
|  | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| Africa | 25,798.9 | 24,013.8 | 7.4\% | -227.7 | 12,434.4 | 10,958.1 | 13.5\% | -20.0 |
| America | 7,049.3 | 8,135.2 | -13.3\% | -331.8 | 9,308.5 | 8,907.1 | 4.5\% | -34.8 |
| Asia | 23,615.2 | 26,981.3 | -12.5\% | -384.2 | 41,082.0 | 38,414.9 | 6.9\% | -2.9 |
| Europe | 17,582.8 | 19,307.7 | -8.9\% | -197.8 | 27,401.2 | 22,412.0 | 22.3\% | -17.4 |
| Oceania | 811.8 | 840.2 | -3.4\% | -7.0 | 1,284.2 | 920.8 | 39.5\% | -0.5 |
| Other Unclassified | 5,291.7 | 3,356.8 | 57.6\% |  | 144.3 | 519.2 | -72.2\% |  |
| Ship/Aircraft | 115.2 | 144.7 | -20.4\% | 0.4 | - |  | 0.0\% |  |
| Total | 80,265.0 | 82,779.6 | -3.0\% | -1,148.1 | 91,654.7 | 82,132.2 | 11.6\% | -75.6 |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increase/ Decrease | Revision |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| 1(1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 975.6 | 1,067.0 | -8.6\% | -0.7 | 935.7 | 823.4 | 13.6\% | -1.1 |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 3,783.0 | 3,434.9 | 10.1\% | -5.0 | 1,868.8 | 1,055.9 | 77.0\% | -0.9 |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 247.2 | 218.1 | 13.3\% | -0.8 | 664.4 | 564.0 | 17.8\% | 0.0 |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 3,383.3 | 3,102.6 | 9.0\% | -23.4 | 2,338.0 | 2,158.0 | 8.3\% | -3.5 |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 18,127.6 | 21,772.3 | -16.7\% | -287.7 | 26,551.4 | 19,401.3 | 36.9\% | -1.7 |
| V (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 5,354.1 | 4,463.5 | 20.0\% | -616.3 | 7,458.9 | 7,338.7 | 1.6\% | -14.4 |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 1,851.2 | 1,942.5 | -4.7\% | -6.9 | 3,178.9 | 2,999.7 | 6.0\% | -1.2 |
| 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). | 425.8 | 359.8 | 18.3\% | -0.4 | 246.1 | 319.6 | -23.0\% | -26.6 |
| 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. | 492.7 | 497.5 | -1.0\% | -0.8 | 330.6 | 409.6 | -19.3\% | -0.7 |
| 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. | 1,357.6 | 1,660.5 | -18.2\% | 28.2 | 1,190.5 | 1,135.0 | 4.9\% | -0.2 |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1,198.2 | 1,078.4 | 11.1\% | -4.1 | 2,436.9 | 3,227.3 | -24.5\% | -1.5 |
| 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. | 216.6 | 190.9 | 13.4\% | -1.3 | 652.2 | 1,091.2 | -40.2\% | 1.6 |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 444.1 | 435.7 | 1.9\% | -0.4 | 812.3 | 821.4 | -1.1\% | 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. | 12,796.2 | 13,273.1 | -3.6\% | -0.0 | 921.4 | 1,362.5 | -32.4\% | 0.2 |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 11,251.6 | 11,583.7 | -2.9\% | 97.3 | 3,527.0 | 4,261.9 | -17.2\% | -2.4 |
| 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. | 8,321.0 | 7,636.3 | 9.0\% | -57.6 | 19,795.4 | 17,463.0 | 13.4\% | -7.7 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 8,569.9 | 8,460.5 | 1.3\% | -258.4 | 9,514.6 | 8,705.5 | 9.3\% | -16.4 |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 535.6 | 643.7 | -16.8\% | -5.9 | 2,380.3 | 2,102.6 | 13.2\% | 1.7 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 742.1 | 631.9 | 17.4\% | -3.2 | 1,081.7 | 1,243.5 | -13.0\% | -0.7 |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 56.8 | 77.5 | -26.7\% | -0.2 | 8.8 | 213.6 | -95.9\% |  |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 132.7 | 241.7 | -45.1\% | -0.6 | 155.9 | 276.1 | -43.5\% | -0.0 |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 2.1 | 7.5 | -71.3\% |  | 5,604.7 | 5,158.3 | 8.7\% | -0.0 |
| Total |  | 80,265.0 | 82,779.6 | -3.0\% | -1,148.1 | 91,654.7 | 82,132.2 | 11.6\% | -75.6 |

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CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | January to March 2014 / January to March 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |
| World Zone | January to March $2014$ | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | January to March 2014 | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| Africa | 70,878.8 | 55,963.3 | 26.7\% | 36,410.3 | 30,926.3 | 17.7\% |
| America | 21,527.0 | 22,422.2 | -4.0\% | 26,747.6 | 24,376.7 | 9.7\% |
| Asia | 75,575.7 | 62,977.1 | 20.0\% | 124,468.3 | 99,165.4 | 25.5\% |
| Europe | 57,137.1 | 45,941.1 | 24.4\% | 76,704.1 | 70,113.0 | 9.4\% |
| Oceania | 2,228.5 | 2,045.3 | 9.0\% | 3,423.7 | 3,479.4 | -1.6\% |
| Other Unclassified | 13,122.2 | 17,137.9 | -23.4\% | 760.5 | 367.7 | 106.8\% |
| Ship/Aircraft | 359.0 | 335.9 | 6.9\% | - | - | 0.0\% |
| Total | 240,828.3 | 206,822.7 | 16.4\% | 268,514.4 | 228,428.5 | 17.5\% |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | January to March 2014 | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | January to March $2014$ | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 2,942.1 | 2,076.7 | 41.7\% | 2,576.2 | 2,703.0 | -4.7\% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 10,390.7 | 9,023.0 | 15.2\% | 5,039.1 | 4,385.8 | 14.9\% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 637.7 | 494.3 | 29.0\% | 1,862.7 | 1,287.2 | 44.7\% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 9,442.4 | 7,880.6 | 19.8\% | 7,272.4 | 6,908.4 | 5.3\% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 62,192.4 | 54,953.3 | 13.2\% | 69,208.6 | 53,732.8 | 28.8\% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 14,172.2 | 12,068.0 | 17.4\% | 23,315.0 | 21,368.5 | 9.1\% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 5,568.9 | 4,458.0 | 24.9\% | 9,876.7 | 8,579.3 | 15.1\% |
| 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). | 1,154.6 | 762.0 | 51.5\% | 927.6 | 775.2 | 19.7\% |
| 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. | 1,357.3 | 864.6 | 57.0\% | 1,177.7 | 1,003.9 | 17.3\% |
| 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. | 4,685.9 | 3,411.8 | 37.3\% | 3,736.6 | 3,334.3 | 12.1\% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 3,165.3 | 2,829.9 | 11.9\% | 8,902.7 | 7,469.6 | 19.2\% |
| 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. | 534.0 | 450.3 | 18.6\% | 2,945.7 | 2,562.9 | 14.9\% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 1,232.3 | 954.5 | 29.1\% | 2,635.4 | 2,208.7 | 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. | 40,491.2 | 41,725.4 | -3.0\% | 3,039.5 | 2,358.2 | 28.9\% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 33,505.2 | 23,767.3 | 41.0\% | 12,251.4 | 11,437.6 | 7.1\% |
| 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. | 22,302.4 | 17,692.0 | 26.1\% | 61,204.8 | 53,058.8 | 15.4\% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated trans port equipment. | 22,848.7 | 20,328.0 | 12.4\% | 25,913.6 | 22,065.8 | 17.4\% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 1,692.2 | 1,084.3 | 56.1\% | 6,584.8 | 5,408.3 | 21.8\% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 1,857.1 | 1,507.2 | 23.2\% | 3,600.6 | 3,099.4 | 16.2\% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 163.1 | 117.2 | 39.2\% | 257.5 | 61.2 | 320.7\% |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 476.2 | 368.6 | 29.2\% | 510.2 | 384.3 | 32.8\% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 16.4 | 5.8 | 183.0\% | 15,675.5 | 14,235.3 | 10.1\% |
| Total |  | 240,828.3 | 206,822.7 | 16.4\% | 268,514.4 | 228,428.5 | 17.5\% |

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METHODOLOGY

## COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| World Zone | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
|  | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| Africa | 13,926.3 | 13,561.0 | 2.7\% | -177.1 | 10,333.0 | 8,731.6 | 18.3\% | 1.0 |
| America | 7,049.3 | 8,135.2 | -13.3\% | -331.8 | 9,308.5 | 8,907.1 | 4.5\% | -34.8 |
| Asia | 23,615.2 | 26,981.3 | -12.5\% | -384.2 | 41,082.0 | 38,414.9 | 6.9\% | -2.9 |
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| Oceania | 811.8 | 840.2 | -3.4\% | -7.0 | 1,284.2 | 920.8 | 39.5\% | -0.5 |
| Other Unclassified | 5,291.7 | 3,356.8 | 57.6\% | - | 144.3 | 519.2 | -72.2\% |  |
| Ship/Aircraft | 115.2 | 144.7 | -20.4\% | 0.4 | - |  | 0.0\% |  |
| Total | 68,392.3 | 72,326.9 | -5.4\% | -1,097.5 | 89,553.2 | 79,905.6 | 12.1\% | -54.7 |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 735.6 | 841.9 | -12.6\% | -0.7 | 720.7 | 657.3 | 9.6\% | 0.0 |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 3,243.1 | 2,920.6 | 11.0\% | -4.6 | 1,839.1 | 1,032.9 | 78.1\% | -0.2 |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 162.5 | 138.4 | 17.4\% | -0.8 | 663.0 | 563.3 | 17.7\% | 0.0 |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 2,578.9 | 2,212.6 | 16.6\% | -22.3 | 2,039.5 | 1,846.0 | 10.5\% | -2.8 |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 16,025.9 | 19,991.4 | -19.8\% | -265.6 | 26,456.7 | 19,308.3 | 37.0\% | -1.6 |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 4,496.6 | 3,648.8 | 23.2\% | -613.8 | 7,095.0 | 6,768.7 | 4.8\% | -1.6 |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 1,424.4 | 1,470.4 | -3.1\% | -6.4 | 3,150.7 | 2,970.2 | 6.1\% | -1.2 |
| 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). | 399.2 | 335.8 | 18.9\% | -0.4 | 230.1 | 308.1 | -25.3\% | -26.6 |
| 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. | 374.8 | 379.9 | -1.4\% | -0.3 | 263.1 | 345.7 | -23.9\% |  |
| 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. | 1,135.8 | 1,446.9 | -21.5\% | 29.1 | 1,153.9 | 1,105.4 | 4.4\% | -0.2 |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 711.6 | 678.1 | 4.9\% | -3.4 | 2,177.2 | 2,951.5 | -26.2\% | -1.5 |
| 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. | 66.4 | 63.7 | 4.2\% | -1.2 | 635.3 | 1,075.1 | -40.9\% | 1.6 |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 301.4 | 310.8 | -3.0\% | -0.4 | 804.6 | 813.6 | -1.1\% | 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. | 11,237.6 | 12,229.7 | -8.1\% | -0.0 | 510.1 | 993.1 | -48.6\% | 0.2 |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 10,578.3 | 10,923.1 | -3.2\% | 98.2 | 3,452.8 | 4,191.1 | -17.6\% | 1.7 |
| 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. | 6,789.6 | 6,272.1 | 8.3\% | -50.6 | 19,674.1 | 17,319.3 | 13.6\% | -7.0 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 7,031.9 | 7,205.6 | -2.4\% | -244.6 | 9,469.9 | 8,676.0 | 9.2\% | -16.4 |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 408.6 | 518.8 | -21.2\% | -5.9 | 2,375.5 | 2,099.0 | 13.2\% | 1.7 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 505.0 | 418.1 | 20.8\% | -3.1 | 1,075.8 | 1,237.5 | -13.1\% | -0.6 |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 56.1 | 77.2 | -27.4\% | -0.2 | 8.8 | 213.4 | -95.9\% |  |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 127.1 | 235.4 | -46.0\% | -0.6 | 152.8 | 271.7 | -43.8\% | -0.0 |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 2.0 | 7.5 | -73.1\% |  | 5,604.7 | 5,158.3 | 8.7\% | -0.0 |
| Total |  | 68,392.3 | 72,326.9 | -5.4\% | -1,097.5 | 89,553.2 | 79,905.6 | 12.1\% | -54.7 |

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CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR

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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS \& AIRCRAFT STORES

| PERIOD: | January to March 2014 / January to March 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |
| World Zone | January to March $2014$ | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | January to March $2014$ | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| Africa | 39,186.7 | 30,751.1 | 27.4\% | 30,075.8 | 24,386.5 | 23.3\% |
| America | 21,527.0 | 22,422.2 | -4.0\% | 26,747.6 | 24,376.7 | 9.7\% |
| Asia | 75,575.7 | 62,977.1 | 20.0\% | 124,468.3 | 99,165.4 | 25.5\% |
| Europe | 57,137.1 | 45,941.1 | 24.4\% | 76,704.1 | 70,113.0 | 9.4\% |
| Oceania | 2,228.5 | 2,045.3 | 9.0\% | 3,423.7 | 3,479.4 | -1.6\% |
| Other Unclassified | 13,122.2 | 17,137.9 | -23.4\% | 760.5 | 367.7 | 106.8\% |
| Ship/Aircraft | 359.0 | 335.9 | 6.9\% | - | - - | 0.0\% |
| Total | 209,136.2 | 181,610.5 | 15.2\% | 262,179.9 | 221,888.7 | 18.2\% |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | January to March $2014$ | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | January to March $2014$ | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| 1 (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 2,251.7 | 1,458.1 | 54.4\% | 2,044.2 | 1,893.6 | 8.0\% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 8,761.2 | 7,611.8 | 15.1\% | 4,945.9 | 4,144.6 | 19.3\% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 414.2 | 266.3 | 55.5\% | 1,860.1 | 1,284.1 | 44.9\% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 6,862.6 | 5,435.3 | 26.3\% | 6,361.9 | 5,798.0 | 9.7\% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 56,735.1 | 50,350.1 | 12.7\% | 68,937.1 | 53,278.1 | 29.4\% |
| VI (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 11,725.1 | 10,097.0 | 16.1\% | 21,877.9 | 19,789.4 | 10.6\% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 4,302.6 | 3,314.1 | 29.8\% | 9,790.0 | 8,506.9 | 15.1\% |
| 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). | 1,072.3 | 695.8 | 54.1\% | 888.8 | 744.9 | 19.3\% |
| 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. | 1,037.2 | 586.3 | 76.9\% | 988.2 | 855.4 | 15.5\% |
| 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. | 4,014.2 | 2,821.3 | 42.3\% | 3,643.7 | 3,223.6 | 13.0\% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1,938.2 | 1,787.2 | 8.5\% | 8,146.8 | 6,924.0 | 17.7\% |
| 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. | 159.5 | 128.4 | 24.2\% | 2,900.6 | 2,513.6 | 15.4\% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 854.2 | 623.9 | 36.9\% | 2,611.2 | 2,183.4 | 19.6\% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 37,167.8 | 39,859.7 | -6.8\% | 1,918.5 | 1,764.0 | 8.8\% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 31,652.1 | 21,967.9 | 44.1\% | 12,041.0 | 11,276.2 | 6.8\% |
| 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. | 18,198.7 | 14,508.5 | 25.4\% | 60,819.1 | 52,621.5 | 15.6\% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 18,813.5 | 17,827.9 | 5.5\% | 25,818.5 | 21,945.0 | 17.7\% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 1,300.7 | 823.6 | 57.9\% | 6,573.7 | 5,399.4 | 21.7\% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 1,245.4 | 972.6 | 28.1\% | 3,584.1 | 3,073.5 | 16.6\% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 162.0 | 114.6 | 41.4\% | 255.8 | 61.1 | 318.8\% |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 458.4 | 354.5 | 29.3\% | 497.2 | 372.9 | 33.3\% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 9.5 | 5.6 | 69.9\% | 15,675.5 | 14,235.3 | 10.1\% |
| Total |  | 209,136.2 | 181,610.5 | 15.2\% | 262,179.9 | 221,888.7 | 18.2\% |

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COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES.
ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS ARESULT OF AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION IN RESPECT OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS

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| $\qquad$ <br> World Zone | March 2014 / February 2014 Revision |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
|  | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| Africa | 11,872.7 | 10,452.7 | 13.6\% | -50.6 | 2,101.4 | 2,226.6 | -5.6\% | -20.9 |
| Total | 11,872.7 | 10,452.7 | 13.6\% | -50.6 | 2,101.4 | 2,226.6 | -5.6\% | -20.9 |

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(Chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision | March 2014 | February 2014 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | Revision |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm | Rm |  | Rm |
| 1(1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 240.1 | 225.1 | 6.7\% | -0.0 | 215.0 | 166.0 | 29.5\% | -1.1 |
| 11(6-14) | Vegetable products. | 539.9 | 514.3 | 5.0\% | -0.4 | 29.8 | 23.1 | 29.0\% | -0.7 |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 84.7 | 79.7 | 6.2\% |  | 1.4 | 0.6 | 117.7\% |  |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 804.4 | 890.0 | -9.6\% | -1.1 | 298.5 | 312.0 | -4.3\% | -0.6 |
| V(25-27) | Mineral products. | 2,101.7 | 1,781.0 | 18.0\% | -22.1 | 94.7 | 93.0 | 1.9\% | -0.1 |
| V (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 857.5 | 814.7 | 5.3\% | -2.5 | 364.0 | 570.0 | -36.1\% | -12.8 |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 426.8 | 472.1 | -9.6\% | -0.4 | 28.2 | 29.5 | -4.5\% | 0.0 |
| 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). | 26.6 | 24.0 | 10.7\% | -0.0 | 16.0 | 11.4 | 40.2\% | 0.0 |
| 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. | 117.9 | 117.6 | 0.2\% | -0.5 | 67.5 | 63.8 | 5.6\% | -0.7 |
| 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. | 221.8 | 213.6 | 3.8\% | -0.9 | 36.7 | 29.6 | 23.9\% |  |
| X1 (50-63) | Texiles and texile articles. | 486.6 | 400.3 | 21.6\% | -0.7 | 259.7 | 275.9 | -5.9\% | -0.0 |
| 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. | 150.2 | 127.3 | 18.0\% | -0.1 | 16.9 | 16.1 | 4.7\% |  |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 142.7 | 124.9 | 14.3\% | -0.0 | 7.7 | 7.8 | -1.1\% | -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. | 1,558.6 | 1,043.4 | 49.4\% | -0.0 | 411.4 | 369.4 | 11.4\% |  |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 673.3 | 660.6 | 1.9\% | -0.9 | 74.2 | 70.8 | 4.8\% | -4.1 |
| 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. | 1,531.4 | 1,364.1 | 12.3\% | -7.0 | 121.3 | 143.7 | -15.6\% | -0.7 |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 1,538.0 | 1,254.9 | 22.6\% | -13.8 | 44.7 | 29.6 | 51.2\% | -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. | 127.0 | 124.9 | 1.7\% | -0.0 | 4.8 | 3.6 | 31.6\% | -0.0 |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 237.2 | 213.8 | 10.9\% | -0.2 | 5.9 | 6.0 | -1.9\% | -0.1 |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 0.7 | 0.2 | 178.5\% |  | 0.0 | 0.2 | -72.0\% |  |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 5.7 | 6.3 | -9.8\% |  | 3.1 | 4.4 | -28.1\% |  |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 0.1 | 0.0 | 12930.9\% |  |  |  | 0.0\% |  |
| Total |  | 11,872.7 | 10,452.7 | 13.6\% | -50.6 | 2,101.4 | 2,226.6 | -5.6\% | -20.9 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| World Zone | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
|  | January to March 2014 | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease | January to March 2014 | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease |
|  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| Africa | 31,692.1 | 25,212.2 | 25.7\% | 6,334.5 | 6,539.8 | -3.1\% |
| Total | 31,692.1 | 25,212.2 | 25.7\% | 6,334.5 | 6,539.8 | -3.1\% |

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

| Section(chapter) | Description | EXPORTS |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | January to March $2014$ | January to March $2013$ | Percentage Increasel Decrease | January to March $2014$ | January to March 2013 | Percentage Increasel Decrease |
|  |  | Rm | Rm |  | Rm | Rm |  |
| I (1-5) | Live animals, animal products. | 690.4 | 618.5 | 11.6\% | 532.0 | 809.4 | -34.3\% |
| II (6-14) | Vegetable products. | 1,629.4 | 1,411.1 | 15.5\% | 93.2 | 241.2 | -61.4\% |
| III (15) | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes. | 223.5 | 228.0 | -2.0\% | 2.6 | 3.1 | -14.4\% |
| IV (16-24) | Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes. | 2,579.8 | 2,445.3 | 5.5\% | 910.6 | 1,110.4 | -18.0\% |
| V (25-27) | Mineral products. | 5,457.3 | 4,603.1 | 18.6\% | 271.5 | 454.7 | -40.3\% |
| Vl (28-38) | Products of the chemicals or allied industries. | 2,447.1 | 1,971.0 | 24.2\% | 1,437.2 | 1,579.1 | -9.0\% |
| VII (39-40) | Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof. | 1,266.3 | 1,143.9 | 10.7\% | 86.7 | 72.4 | 19.8\% |
| 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). | 82.3 | 66.3 | 24.1\% | 38.8 | 30.3 | 28.1\% |
| 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. | 320.2 | 278.3 | 15.1\% | 189.5 | 148.5 | 27.6\% |
| 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. | 671.7 | 590.6 | 13.7\% | 92.9 | 110.8 | -16.1\% |
| XI (50-63) | Textiles and textile articles. | 1,227.1 | 1,042.7 | 17.7\% | 755.8 | 545.6 | 38.5\% |
| 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. | 374.5 | 321.9 | 16.3\% | 45.1 | 49.3 | -8.6\% |
| XIII (68-70) | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware. | 378.0 | 330.7 | 14.3\% | 24.2 | 25.3 | -4.5\% |
| XIV (71) | Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins. | 3,323.4 | 1,865.7 | 78.1\% | 1,121.0 | 594.1 | 88.7\% |
| XV (72-83) | Base metals and articles of base metal. | 1,853.1 | 1,799.4 | 3.0\% | 210.4 | 161.4 | 30.3\% |
| 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. | 4,103.7 | 3,183.5 | 28.9\% | 385.7 | 437.3 | -11.8\% |
| XVII (86-89) | Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment. | 4,035.2 | 2,500.1 | 61.4\% | 95.1 | 120.7 | -21.3\% |
| XVIII (90-92) | Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof. | 391.5 | 260.7 | 50.2\% | 11.1 | 8.9 | 25.5\% |
| XX (94-96) | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 611.7 | 534.6 | 14.4\% | 16.5 | 25.9 | -36.2\% |
| XXI (97) | Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques. | 1.2 | 2.6 | -55.9\% | 1.6 | 0.1 | 1352.2\% |
| XXII () | Other unclassified goods. | 17.8 | 14.1 | 26.4\% | 13.0 | 11.4 | 14.1\% |
| XXIII (98) | Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components | 6.9 | 0.2 | 3671.2\% | 0.0 | 0.0 | -36.8\% |
| Total |  | 31,692.1 | 25,212.2 | 25.7\% | 6,334.5 | 6,539.8 | -3.1\% |

