# SA Trade Statistics for October 2016 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE			
October 2016 (Preliminary)	R 88 188 353 869	R 92 599 320 542	R -4 410 966 673			
September 2016 (Revised)	R 99 159 515 501	R 92 210 141 461	R 6 949 374 040			
R Increase/Decrease	R -10 971 161 632	R 389 179 081				
% Growth	-11.1%	0.4%				

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to October 2016 (Preliminary)	R 903 415 135 205	R 917 762 418 676	R -14 347 283 471
January to October 2015 (Revised)	R 855 249 504 486	R 914 754 369 409	R -59 504 864 923
R Increase/Decrease	R 48 165 630 719	R 3 008 049 267	
% Growth	5.6%	0.3%	

### **COMMENTS**

#### Month on month increase/decrease

#### **EXPORTS**

Section 2:	Vegetable Products decreased by	R 2 789 million	(-48%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 419 million	(-2%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products decreased by	R 420 million	(-7%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones decreased by	R 4 511 million	(-25%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 1 416 million	(-10%)
	<u>IMPORTS</u>		
Section 2:	Vegetable Products decreased by	R 776 million	(-26%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 534 million	(5%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products increased by	R 398 million	(4%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics increased by	R 1 188 million	(5%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 394 million	(-5%)

# International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	EXPORTS IMPORTS		
October 2016 (Preliminary)	R 75 699 205 170	R 89 622 436 261	R -13 923 231 091	
September 2016 (Revised)	R 86 569 772 084	R 89 365 927 792	R -2 796 155 708	
R Increase/Decrease	R -10 870 566 914	R 256 508 469		
% Growth	-12.6%	0.3%		

## **CUMULATIVE FIGURE**

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to October 2016 (Preliminary)	R 786 911 505 694	R 890 031 649 742	R -103 120 144 048
January to October 2015 (Revised)	R 741 659 323 385	R 889 467 458 736	R -147 808 135 351
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R Increase/Decrease	R 45 252 182 309	R 564 191 006	
% Growth	6.1%	0.1%	

## BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
October 2016 (Preliminary)	R 12 489 148 699	R 2 976 884 281	R 9 512 264 418
September 2016 (Revised)	R 12 589 743 417	R 2 844 213 669	R 9 745 529 748
R Increase/Decrease	R -100 594 718	R 132 670 612	
% Growth	-0.8%	4.7%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to October 2016 (Preliminary)	R 116 503 629 511	R 27 730 768 934	R 88 772 860 577
January to October 2015 (Revised)	R 113 590 181 101	R 25 286 910 673	R 88 303 270 428
R Increase/Decrease	R 2 913 448 410	R 2 443 858 261	
% Growth	2.6%	9.7%	

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World Zone		EXPOR	TS			IMPOR	TS		
	October 2016	September 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	October 2016	September 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm	
AFRICA	28 182.4	28 236.9	-0.2%	-115.0	8 096.1	8 915.1	-9.2%	0.2	
AMERICA	8 275.7	10 176.3	-18.7%	10.7	10 441.0	10 812.8	-3.4%	-2.8	
ASIA	26 390.4	29 395.0	-10.2%	436.0	43 102.2	41 154.3	4.7%	-1.3	
EUROPE	20 024.0	26 020.1	-23.0%	-87.4	29 811.8	29 916.2	-0.3%	-3.3	
OCEANIA	888.9	1 159.9	-23.4%	-0.5	1 037.8	1 149.6	-9.7%	-0.1	
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	3 976.6	3 600.7	10.4%	-	110.5	262.1	-57.9%	-	
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	450.3	570.6	-21.1%	-	-	-	0.0%	-	
Total	88 188.4	99 159.5	-11.1%	243.8	92 599.3	92 210.1	0.4%	-7.2	

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Section (Chapter)	Description	October 2016	September 2016	Percentage Increase/	Revision	October 2016	September 2016	Percentage Increase/	Revision
(enupter)				Decrease				Decrease	
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 241.5	1 257.3	-1.2%	-0.0		1 246.2	-0.8%	-1.9
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 047.0		-47.8%	-1.3	2 200.9		-26.1%	-0.8
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their	344.8	365.3	-5.6%	-0.0	1 051.7	871.6	20.7%	-2.8
	cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.								
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4 320.1	4 571.9	-5.5%	-1.0	3 285.9	3 053.3	7.6%	0.1
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	19 435.6	19 855.0	-2.1%	262.9	11 988.5	11 454.9	4.7%	-0.4
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 615.6	6 035.5	-7.0%	17.1	10 406.9	10 009.3	4.0%	2.1
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 129.9	2 265.0	-6.0%	-1.7	4 460.2	4 212.6	5.9%	-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).	458.9	445.4	3.0%	0.6	437.3	421.9	3.6%	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.	665.3	524.6	26.8%	-0.1	488.7	424.0	15.3%	0.0
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.	1 601.3	2 014.9	-20.5%	-40.6	1 614.0	1 589.5	1.5%	0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 475.7	1 383.4	6.7%	0.3	3 843.0	3 856.5	-0.4%	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.	294.9	279.4	5.5%	0.0	1 214.5	1 366.7	-11.1%	-0.8
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	528.3	540.6	-2.3%	0.0	1 137.4	1 213.3	-6.3%	0.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	13 406.6	17 917.4	-25.2%	-	646.8	788.1	-17.9%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 611.1	10 959.5	-3.2%	15.0	4 860.9	5 141.0	-5.4%	2.3
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.		8 426.6	-2.5%	-5.1			5.4%	-0.4
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	12 666.4	14 082.2	-10.1%	-2.6	7 789.9	8 183.8	-4.8%	-0.4
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	789.6	822.9	-4.0%	0.3	2 686.7	2 745.7	-2.1%	-0.9
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	820.6	797.5	2.9%	-0.1	2 015.2	2 137.9	-5.7%	-2.9
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	62.2	309.0	-79.9%	-	30.8			-0.1
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	456.2	470.3	-3.0%	-	99.0	107.5	-7.9%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.0	257.0%	-	7 878.2	8 252.8	-4.5%	-1.7
Total		88 188.4	99 159.5	-11.1%	243.8	92 599.3	92 210.1	0.4%	-7.2

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		EXPORTS		IMPORTS				
World Zone	January to October 2016	January to October 2015	' Increase/		January to October 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease		
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm			
AFRICA	260 286.1	251 797.7	3.4%	99 549.9	98 808.3	0.8%		
AMERICA	87 117.8	82 181.3	6.0%	106 953.1	100 120.4	6.8%		
ASIA	267 861.9	248 622.2	7.7%	397 913.1	414 768.6	-4.1%		
EUROPE	227 852.8	199 377.6	14.3%	301 049.7	286 483.5	5.1%		
OCEANIA	10 856.2	10 622.8	2.2%	10 947.2	12 854.2	-14.8%		
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	44 721.7	54 306.6	-17.6%	1 349.5	1 719.4	-21.5%		
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	4 718.7	8 341.3	-43.4%	-	-	0.0%		
Total	903 415.1	855 249.5	5.6%	917 762.4	914 754.4	0.3%		

			EXPORTS		IMPORTS			
Section (chapter)	Description	January to October 2016 Rm	January to October 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to October 2016	January to October 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	
l (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	Rm 12 312.3	Rm 10 731.9	14.7%	Rm 13 463.8	Rm 12 531.8	7.4%	
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	52 984.5	44 040.6	20.3%	28 783.2	19 320.7	49.0%	
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	3 275.1	2 700.9	21.3%	7 898.8	5 729.8		
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	40 596.0	36 025.7	12.7%	28 397.8	26 062.4	9.0%	
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	172 753.8	177 522.7	-2.7%	122 541.8	148 367.9	-17.4%	
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	55 408.4	54 904.7	0.9%	95 718.9	94 382.7	1.4%	
VII (39- 40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	19 866.6	18 059.3	10.0%	40 684.4	37 704.5	7.9%	
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).	4 119.8	4 086.2	0.8%	3 628.2	3 825.6	-5.2%	
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.	5 788.9	5 238.5	10.5%	4 587.9	4 234.3	8.4%	
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.	18 465.1	15 863.9	16.4%	14 846.1	13 559.4	9.5%	
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	13 032.8	11 927.1	9.3%	36 997.1	33 768.4	9.6%	
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.	2 336.3	2 305.2	1.3%	12 517.2	11 512.5	8.7%	
XIII (68- 70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	5 175.0	4 808.1	7.6%	11 718.2	10 793.2	8.6%	
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	151 308.6	152 389.3	-0.7%	10 011.9	6 875.6	45.6%	
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	111 292.4	104 327.0	6.7%	50 349.1	50 691.6	-0.7%	
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.	86 504.2	83 127.5		225 766.8	227 098.0	-0.6%	
XVII (86-	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport	125 532.9	108 034.8	16.2%	85 383.6	94 798.5	-9.9%	
89)	equipment.							
XVIII (90- 92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	7 781.2	6 960.5	11.8%	26 490.2	24 165.0	9.6%	
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	7 101.6	6 930.1	2.5%	16 922.7	16 220.4	4.3%	
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	1 058.5	739.4	43.1%	437.7	296.0	47.9%	
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	6 716.5	4 514.6	48.8%	1 280.2	1 205.7	6.2%	
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	4.7	11.7	-60.2%	79 336.8	71 610.3	10.8%	
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SHIP/AIRCRAFT	450.3	570.6	-21.1%	-	-	-	0.0%	-	
Total	75 699.2	86 569.8	-12.6%	245.4	89 622.4	89 365.9	0.3%	-7.2	

			EXPOR	тs		IMPORTS				
Section (Chapter)	Description	October 2016	September 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	October 2016	September 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	
		Rm	Rm	Decrease	Rm	Rm	Rm	Detreube	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	923.6	907.0	1.8%	-0.0	1 060.8		0.8%	-1.9	
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	2 301.2	5 165.5	-55.5%	-0.7	2 128.3	2 889.9	-26.4%	-0.8	
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their	226.7	231.4	-2.0%	-0.0	1 050.7	871.1	20.6%	-2.8	
	cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.									
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 962.1	3 228.4	-8.2%	-0.6	2 774.8	2 567.6	8.1%	0.1	
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	17 879.2	18 080.6	-1.1%	263.2	11 920.2	11 413.5	4.4%	-0.4	
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 498.4	5 062.9	-11.2%	17.3	9 611.2	9 427.4	1.9%	2.1	
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 573.3	1 698.2	-7.4%	-1.7	4 412.2	4 168.1	5.9%	-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).	394.4	386.5	2.0%	0.6	383.4	386.2	-0.7%	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.	483.0	362.1	33.4%	-0.1	345.9	303.8	13.9%	0.0	
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.	1 336.2	1 727.5	-22.7%	-40.6	1 579.4	1 556.2	1.5%	0.0	
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	886.5	770.4	15.1%	0.4	3 267.6	3 300.6	-1.0%	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.	75.0	79.0	-5.1%	0.0	1 198.9	1 343.5	-10.8%	-0.8	
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	335.6	360.7	-6.9%	0.0	1 123.1	1 200.3	-6.4%	0.1	
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	12 629.4	17 276.8	-26.9%	-	615.8	611.8	0.7%	0.0	
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9 772.2	10 149.4	-3.7%	15.0	4 780.2	5 073.1	-5.8%	2.2	
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.	6 402.4	6 609.2	-3.1%	-5.1	22 937.4		5.4%	-0.4	
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	11 414.0	12 599.5	-9.4%	-2.6	7 770.0	8 126.4	-4.4%	-0.4	
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	619.3	640.9	-3.4%	0.3	2 679.3	2 739.3	-2.2%	-0.9	
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	474.1	459.2	3.3%	-0.1	1 977.3		-5.4%	-2.9	
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	61.8	308.4	-80.0%	-	30.8		-73.9%	-0.1	
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	450.6	466.3	-3.4%	-	97.1	106.2	-8.6%	-	
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.0	364.5%	-	7 878.2		-4.5%	-1.7	
Total		75 699.2	86 569.8	-12.6%	245.4	89 622.4	89 365.9	0.3%	-7.2	

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OCEANIA	10 856.2	10 622.8	2.2%	10 947.2	12 854.2	-14.8%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	44 721.7	54 306.6	-17.6%	1 349.5	1 719.4	-21.5%
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Total	786 911.5	741 659.3	6.1%	890 031.6	889 467.5	0.1%

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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	46 605.9	38 830.1	20.0%	28 130.5	18 967.1	48.3%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 173.8	1 819.3	19.5%	7 863.7	5 715.2	37.6%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	29 389.0	25 881.3	13.6%	23 942.4	22 026.7	8.7%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	155 078.7	158 743.6	-2.3%	122 027.3	147 910.6	-17.5%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	45 712.3	45 122.6	1.3%	90 188.2	89 099.1	1.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	14 994.7	12 988.7	15.4%	40 299.9	37 343.2	7.9%
	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).	3 601.1	3 598.4	0.1%	3 343.2	3 473.5	-3.8%
	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.	4 213.3	3 811.7	10.5%	3 417.5	3 379.8	1.1%
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.	16 023.1	13 484.4	18.8%	14 597.9	13 209.2	10.5%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	7 696.3	6 940.3	10.9%	32 593.6	30 254.6	7.7%
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.	701.8	676.5	3.7%	12 359.6	11 314.8	9.2%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	3 563.9	3 184.6	11.9%	11 601.5	10 679.0	8.6%
	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	144 727.9	146 063.8	-0.9%	7 332.6	4 410.0	66.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	103 613.7	96 464.0	7.4%	49 592.5	49 846.0	-0.5%
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.	69 534.5	66 579.5	4.4%	222 901.7	224 601.4	
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	111 850.6	94 786.6	18.0%	84 873.9	94 511.1	-10.2%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	6 184.2	5 517.8	12.1%	26 429.1	24 114.7	9.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	4 192.6	4 030.7	4.0%	16 573.9	15 989.4	3.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	1 051.4	734.1	43.2%	437.0	295.4	47.9%
XXII (99) XXIII (98)	Other unclassified goods. Special classification provisions: Original	6 665.1 4.6	4 456.8 10.9	49.5% -57.2%	1 248.0 79 336.8	1 174.2 71 610.1	6.3% 10.8%
	Equipment Components						
Total		786 911.5	741 659.3	6.1%	890 031.6	889 467.5	0.1%

## **Preliminary BLNS Monthly Statement**

METHODOLOGY 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 mad prior to the publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.

WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	October 2016 / September 2016 Revision										
World Zone	EXPORTS					IMPOR	TS				
	October 2016	ctober 2016 September 2016 Percentage Revision Octo		October 2016	September 2016	Percentage	Revision				
			Increase/				Increase/				
			Decrease				Decrease				
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm			
AFRICA	12 489.1	12 589.7	-0.8%	-1.6	2 976.9	2 844.2	4.7%	0.0			
Total	12 489.1	12 589.7	-0.8%	-1.6	2 976.9	2 844.2	4.7%	0.0			

			EXPOR	TS		IMPORTS				
Section (Chapter)	Description	October 2016	September 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	October 2016	September 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	Revision	
		Rm	Rm	Decrease	Rm	Rm	Rm	Decrease	Rm	
l (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	318.0	350.3	-9.2%	-0.0	175.4		-9.7%	-	
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	745.8		11.3%	-0.6	72.6			-	
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their	118.0	134.0	-11.9%	-	0.9	0.5	103.6%	-	
	cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.									
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 358.0	1 343.5	1.1%	-0.5	511.1	485.7	5.2%	-0.0	
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 556.5	1 774.4	-12.3%	-0.4	68.4	41.4	65.1%	-	
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 117.2	972.6	14.9%	-0.2	795.7	581.9	36.7%	-	
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	556.6	566.8	-1.8%	-0.0	48.0	44.5	8.0%	-	
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).	64.5	58.9	9.4%	-	53.9	35.7	51.1%	-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.	182.3	162.5	12.2%	-	142.8	120.2	18.8%	-	
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.	265.1	287.4	-7.8%	0.0	34.6	33.4	3.9%	0.0	
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	589.2	613.0	-3.9%	-0.0	575.4	556.0	3.5%	-0.2	
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.	219.8	200.4	9.7%	0.0	15.7	23.2	-32.5%	-	
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	192.7	179.9	7.1%	-	14.4	13.0	10.6%	-	
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	777.2	640.6	21.3%	-	31.0	176.2	-82.4%	0.0	
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	838.8	810.1	3.5%	-0.0	80.7	67.9	18.8%	0.1	
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.	1 814.3		-0.2%	-0.0	289.1			-	
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 252.4	1 482.7	-15.5%	0.0	19.9	57.4	-65.3%	-	
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	170.3	182.0	-6.4%	-0.0	7.4	6.4	15.2%	-	
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	346.4	338.3	2.4%	-0.0	37.9	47.2	-19.8%	-	
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.4	0.6	-34.3%	-	0.0	0.1	-55.8%	-	
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.6	4.1	37.5%	-	1.9	1.3	48.7%	-	
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	-	0.0	-100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	-	
Total		12 489.1	12 589.7	-0.8%	-1.6	2 976.9	2 844.2	4.7%	0.0	

## **Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement**

METHODOLOGY CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR	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 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.
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	January to October 2016 / January to October 2015							
		EXPORTS		IMPORTS				
World Zone	January to October 2016	January to October 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to January to October 2016 October 2015		Percentage Increase/ Decrease		
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm			
AFRICA	116 503.6	113 590.2	2.6%	27 730.8	25 286.9	9.7%		
Total	116 503.6	113 590.2	2.6%	27 730.8	25 286.9	9.7%		

			EXPORTS		IMPORTS			
Section (chapter)	Description	January to October 2016	January to October 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to October 2016	January to October 2015	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm		
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 979.5	2 798.4	6.5%	2 523.0	2 989.4	-15.6%	
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	6 378.6	5 210.5	22.4%	652.7	353.6	84.6%	
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 101.3	881.6	24.9%	35.0	14.6	139.3%	
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	11 207.1	10 144.4	10.5%	4 455.4	4 035.6	10.4%	
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	17 675.0	18 779.1	-5.9%	514.5	457.3	12.5%	
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	9 696.1	9 782.1	-0.9%	5 530.7	5 283.7	4.7%	
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	4 871.9	5 070.6	-3.9%	384.6	361.3	6.4%	
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).	518.7	487.8	6.3%	285.0	352.1	-19.1%	
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.	1 575.6	1 426.8	10.4%	1 170.4	854.5	37.0%	
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.	2 442.0	2 379.5	2.6%	248.2	350.3	-29.1%	
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	5 336.4	4 986.8	7.0%	4 403.4	3 513.8	25.3%	
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.	1 634.5	1 628.7	0.4%	157.5	197.7	-20.3%	
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 611.1	1 623.5	-0.8%	116.7	114.2	2.2%	
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi- precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	6 580.8	6 325.4	4.0%	2 679.3	2 465.6	8.7%	
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	7 678.6	7 863.0	-2.3%	756.6	845.6	-10.5%	
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.	16 969.6	16 548.0	2.5%	2 865.2	2 496.5	14.8%	
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	13 682.3	13 248.2	3.3%	509.7	287.4	77.3%	
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 597.0	1 442.7	10.7%	61.1	50.4	21.4%	
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 909.1	2 899.4	0.3%	348.8	231.0	51.0%	
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	7.1	5.3	33.2%	0.7	0.6	12.4%	
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	51.4	57.8	-11.1%	32.2	31.5	2.2%	
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	0.8	-98.8%	-	0.2	-100.0%	
Total		116 503.6	113 590.2	2.6%	27 730.8	25 286.9	9.7%	