

## SA Trade Statistics for January 2017 (including BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January 2017 (Preliminary)	R 80 588 625 671	R 91 400 216 571	R -10 811 590 900
December 2016 (Revised)	R 93 673 776 663	R 81 268 749 592	R 12 405 027 071

R Increase/Decrease	R -13 085 150 992	R 10 131 466 979
% Growth	-14.0%	12.5%

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to January 2017 (Preliminary)	R 80 588 625 671	R 91 400 216 571	R -10 811 590 900
January to January 2016 (Revised)	R 69 619 830 763	R 89 167 526 957	R -19 547 696 194

R Increase/Decrease	R 10 968 794 908	R 2 232 689 614
% Growth	15.8%	2.5%

### COMMENTS

#### Month on month increase/decrease

#### EXPORTS

Section 4:	Prepared Foodstuffs decreased by	R 1 040 million	(-27%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 2 710 million	(-10%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones decreased by	R 1 063 million	(-7%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics decreased by	R 1 831 million	(-25%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 2 795 million	(-32%)

#### IMPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 1 865 million	(-12%)
Section 15:	Base Metals increased by	R 1 763 million	(48%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics increased by	R 2 311 million	(12%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment decreased by	R 4 047 million	(-34%)
Section 23:	Equipment Components increased by	R 4 287 million	(149%)

## International Trade (excluding BLNS)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January 2017 (Preliminary)	R 71 301 044 820	R 88 866 525 268	R -17 565 480 448
December 2016 (Revised)	R 82 996 581 667	R 78 970 422 877	R 4 026 158 790
R Increase/Decrease	R -11 695 536 847	R 9 896 102 391	
% Growth	-14.1%	12.5%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to January 2017 (Preliminary)	R 71 301 044 820	R 88 866 525 268	R -17 565 480 448
January to January 2016 (Revised)	R 59 864 164 420	R 86 592 208 026	R -26 728 043 606
R Increase/Decrease	R 11 436 880 400	R 2 274 317 242	
% Growth	19.1%	2.6%	

## BLNS

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January 2017 (Preliminary)	R 9 287 580 851	R 2 533 691 303	R 6 753 889 548
December 2016 (Revised)	R 10 677 194 996	R 2 298 326 715	R 8 378 868 281
R Increase/Decrease	R -1 389 614 145	R 235 364 588	
% Growth	-13.0%	10.2%	

### CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to January 2017 (Preliminary)	R 9 287 580 851	R 2 533 691 303	R 6 753 889 548
January to January 2016 (Revised)	R 9 755 666 343	R 2 575 318 931	R 7 180 347 412
R Increase/Decrease	R -468 085 492	R -41 627 628	
% Growth	-4.8%	-1.6%	

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### WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

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	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	January 2017	December 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	January 2017	December 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm		Rm	
AFRICA	21 005.1	26 326.0	-20.2%	-46.5	10 655.4	9 509.9	12.0%	5.5
AMERICA	6 571.1	7 213.4	-8.9%	-11.0	9 021.7	9 089.5	-0.7%	29.1
ASIA	27 560.1	32 868.6	-16.2%	581.9	41 993.7	36 049.3	16.5%	137.2
EUROPE	18 671.7	21 749.0	-14.1%	122.6	28 792.2	24 694.3	16.6%	106.3
OCEANIA	717.0	811.1	-11.6%	0.4	852.7	1 530.1	-44.3%	0.1
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	5 309.6	4 234.1	25.4%	-	84.6	395.6	-78.6%	0.8
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	754.0	471.4	59.9%	0.2	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>80 588.6</b>	<b>93 673.8</b>	<b>-14.0%</b>	<b>647.5</b>	<b>91 400.2</b>	<b>81 268.7</b>	<b>12.5%</b>	<b>279.0</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

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		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 171.7	1 483.9	-21.0%	4.6	1 301.5	1 088.0	19.6%	-5.7
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 203.7	4 216.1	-0.3%	-0.6	2 718.0	1 953.7	39.1%	1.7
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	230.1	368.0	-37.5%	2.7	977.7	1 037.7	-5.8%	1.5
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 879.1	3 919.1	-26.5%	7.6	3 298.7	2 748.9	20.0%	1.6
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	23 888.4	26 598.7	-10.2%	218.1	13 968.6	15 833.1	-11.8%	0.9
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 147.6	5 832.5	-11.7%	-1.5	9 922.6	8 215.2	20.8%	6.4
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 448.5	1 784.9	-18.8%	1.2	4 435.6	3 142.0	41.2%	10.1
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).	310.6	421.2	-26.3%	1.2	360.4	267.5	34.7%	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.	378.6	569.5	-33.5%	9.2	506.6	260.6	94.4%	1.8
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.	1 709.0	2 018.1	-15.3%	270.6	1 446.9	1 168.6	23.8%	11.8
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 034.9	1 441.4	-28.2%	1.3	3 546.5	2 320.2	52.9%	7.0
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.	136.4	232.6	-41.4%	-0.5	1 163.6	755.5	54.0%	1.5
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	334.2	474.5	-29.6%	0.6	1 133.3	762.2	48.7%	1.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	14 082.2	15 145.2	-7.0%	40.9	874.5	750.1	16.6%	1.2
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 296.7	10 896.2	-5.5%	104.3	5 462.4	3 699.1	47.7%	16.6
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.	5 621.3	7 451.9	-24.6%	-15.9	21 210.6	18 900.1	12.2%	67.5
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	6 010.8	8 805.5	-31.7%	-0.7	7 732.6	11 780.1	-34.4%	30.0
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	428.4	814.1	-47.4%	2.2	2 380.8	2 373.8	0.3%	13.1
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	436.7	685.3	-36.3%	-0.0	1 570.4	1 179.1	33.2%	2.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	47.4	70.9	-33.1%	-0.0	60.0	30.9	93.7%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	792.1	444.0	78.4%	2.1	165.6	126.0	31.4%	0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.3	-58.8%	-	7 163.3	2 876.5	149.0%	107.7
<b>Total</b>		<b>80 588.6</b>	<b>93 673.8</b>	<b>-14.0%</b>	<b>647.5</b>	<b>91 400.2</b>	<b>81 268.7</b>	<b>12.5%</b>	<b>279.0</b>

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	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
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World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	21 005.1	20 928.1	0.4%	10 655.4	9 562.1	11.4%
AMERICA	6 571.1	5 645.4	16.4%	9 021.7	9 157.2	-1.5%
ASIA	27 560.1	21 646.7	27.3%	41 993.7	40 070.1	4.8%
EUROPE	18 671.7	16 231.6	15.0%	28 792.2	29 378.7	-2.0%
OCEANIA	717.0	651.3	10.1%	852.7	951.0	-10.3%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	5 309.6	4 237.1	25.3%	84.6	48.3	75.0%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	754.0	279.6	169.6%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>80 588.6</b>	<b>69 619.8</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>91 400.2</b>	<b>89 167.5</b>	<b>2.5%</b>

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 171.7	1 139.2	2.8%	1 301.5	1 124.3	15.8%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 203.7	3 678.9	14.3%	2 718.0	2 375.8	14.4%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	230.1	286.9	-19.8%	977.7	605.8	61.4%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	2 879.1	2 761.2	4.3%	3 298.7	2 500.4	31.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	23 888.4	15 507.2	54.0%	13 968.6	10 896.5	28.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	5 147.6	4 561.1	12.9%	9 922.6	9 000.7	10.2%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 448.5	1 494.9	-3.1%	4 435.6	3 925.3	13.0%
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).	310.6	315.1	-1.4%	360.4	394.7	-8.7%
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.	378.6	380.5	-0.5%	506.6	558.5	-9.3%
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.	1 709.0	1 787.0	-4.4%	1 446.9	1 458.5	-0.8%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 034.9	980.4	5.6%	3 546.5	3 730.9	-4.9%
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.	136.4	133.7	2.0%	1 163.6	1 400.1	-16.9%
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XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	14 082.2	11 379.0	23.8%	874.5	732.9	19.3%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	10 296.7	10 400.1	-1.0%	5 462.4	5 434.5	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.	5 621.3	6 973.3	-19.4%	21 210.6	24 074.0	-11.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	6 010.8	5 922.5	1.5%	7 732.6	8 558.9	-9.7%
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XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	792.1	357.5	121.6%	165.6	92.6	78.7%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.2	-49.8%	7 163.3	7 038.4	1.8%
<b>Total</b>		<b>80 588.6</b>	<b>69 619.8</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>91 400.2</b>	<b>89 167.5</b>	<b>2.5%</b>

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<b>Total</b>	<b>71 301.0</b>	<b>82 996.6</b>	<b>-14.1%</b>	<b>666.6</b>	<b>88 866.5</b>	<b>78 970.4</b>	<b>12.5%</b>	<b>277.5</b>

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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 650.1	3 576.4	2.1%	-1.6	2 689.6	1 915.7	40.4%	1.7
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	144.3	267.5	-46.1%	1.7	977.4	1 036.5	-5.7%	1.5
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 867.2	2 574.1	-27.5%	2.9	2 928.4	2 312.0	26.7%	1.3
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	22 125.0	24 997.1	-11.5%	247.3	13 919.1	15 775.3	-11.8%	0.9
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 352.5	4 865.3	-10.5%	-2.1	9 239.2	7 446.4	24.1%	6.4
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 092.5	1 340.3	-18.5%	0.9	4 403.2	3 118.0	41.2%	10.1
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).	272.2	369.7	-26.4%	1.2	344.7	256.3	34.5%	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.	265.1	431.4	-38.5%	9.2	403.2	176.3	128.7%	1.6
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.	1 430.7	1 749.1	-18.2%	269.5	1 417.5	1 123.5	26.2%	11.8
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	669.1	966.9	-30.8%	0.4	3 145.9	1 958.8	60.6%	6.6
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.	37.0	67.3	-45.0%	-0.6	1 158.3	738.5	56.8%	1.5
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	224.6	333.6	-32.7%	0.4	1 126.0	754.7	49.2%	1.1
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	13 558.6	14 375.1	-5.7%	40.9	590.1	717.3	-17.7%	1.2
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XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	317.7	679.2	-53.2%	2.2	2 376.2	2 368.4	0.3%	13.1
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	242.8	407.8	-40.5%	-0.5	1 537.7	1 157.9	32.8%	2.7
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	47.1	70.6	-33.3%	-0.0	59.9	30.9	94.2%	0.0
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OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	5 309.6	4 237.1	25.3%	84.6	48.3	75.0%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	754.0	279.6	169.6%	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>71 301.0</b>	<b>59 864.2</b>	<b>19.1%</b>	<b>88 866.5</b>	<b>86 592.2</b>	<b>2.6%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to January 2017	January to January 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to January 2017	January to January 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	887.2	882.9	0.5%	1 130.2	965.7	17.0%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	3 650.1	3 106.4	17.5%	2 689.6	2 327.9	15.5%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	144.3	204.5	-29.5%	977.4	604.4	61.7%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 867.2	1 794.2	4.1%	2 928.4	2 035.5	43.9%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	22 125.0	13 679.0	61.7%	13 919.1	10 855.3	28.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	4 352.5	3 764.6	15.6%	9 239.2	8 454.4	9.3%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 092.5	1 126.3	-3.0%	4 403.2	3 896.7	13.0%
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).	272.2	269.6	1.0%	344.7	378.5	-8.9%
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.	265.1	273.4	-3.0%	403.2	471.3	-14.4%
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.	1 430.7	1 543.7	-7.3%	1 417.5	1 436.1	-1.3%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	669.1	623.5	7.3%	3 145.9	3 400.8	-7.5%
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.	37.0	32.6	13.6%	1 158.3	1 382.8	-16.2%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	224.6	273.6	-17.9%	1 126.0	1 256.6	-10.4%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	13 558.6	10 546.6	28.6%	590.1	361.2	63.4%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	9 789.9	9 841.8	-0.5%	5 391.6	5 382.3	0.2%
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.	4 368.7	5 664.0	-22.9%	20 988.9	23 810.8	-11.9%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	5 170.1	5 005.2	3.3%	7 714.3	8 479.0	-9.0%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	317.7	507.3	-37.4%	2 376.2	2 247.7	5.7%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	242.8	334.9	-27.5%	1 537.7	1 669.6	-7.9%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	47.1	36.7	28.2%	59.9	48.6	23.4%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	788.7	352.9	123.5%	161.6	88.6	82.3%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.1	0.2	-51.5%	7 163.3	7 038.4	1.8%
<b>Total</b>		<b>71 301.0</b>	<b>59 864.2</b>	<b>19.1%</b>	<b>88 866.5</b>	<b>86 592.2</b>	<b>2.6%</b>

# Preliminary BLNS Monthly Statement

<p><b>METHODOLOGY</b> COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES. ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS A RESULT OF AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION IN RESPECT OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS</p>	<p>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.</p>
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## WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

World Zone	January 2017 / December 2016 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	January 2017	December 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	January 2017	December 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	9 287.6	10 677.2	-13.0%	-19.1	2 533.7	2 298.3	10.2%	1.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 287.6</b>	<b>10 677.2</b>	<b>-13.0%</b>	<b>-19.1</b>	<b>2 533.7</b>	<b>2 298.3</b>	<b>10.2%</b>	<b>1.5</b>

## SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		January 2017	December 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	January 2017	December 2016	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	284.5	345.4	-17.6%	1.8	171.3	192.1	-10.8%	0.5
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	553.7	639.7	-13.4%	1.0	28.4	38.0	-25.2%	0.0
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	85.8	100.5	-14.7%	1.0	0.3	1.2	-74.9%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 011.8	1 345.0	-24.8%	4.7	370.3	436.9	-15.3%	0.3
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 763.4	1 601.6	10.1%	-29.2	49.5	57.8	-14.3%	-0.0
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	795.1	967.2	-17.8%	0.6	683.4	768.8	-11.1%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	356.0	444.5	-19.9%	0.3	32.4	24.0	35.0%	-
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).	38.4	51.5	-25.4%	0.0	15.7	11.3	39.5%	-
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.	113.5	138.1	-17.8%	0.0	103.4	84.2	22.7%	0.2
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.	278.4	269.0	3.5%	1.2	29.4	45.0	-34.7%	0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	365.8	474.5	-22.9%	0.9	400.5	361.3	10.9%	0.4
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.	99.4	165.3	-39.9%	0.1	5.4	17.0	-68.4%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	109.6	140.8	-22.2%	0.2	7.2	7.6	-4.8%	0.0
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	523.7	770.1	-32.0%	0.0	284.4	32.8	765.9%	0.0
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	506.8	596.3	-15.0%	-0.5	70.8	41.1	72.4%	0.0
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.	1 252.6	1 338.0	-6.4%	-1.4	221.7	127.5	73.9%	0.1
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	840.7	870.2	-3.4%	-0.4	18.3	18.9	-3.4%	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.	110.7	134.8	-17.9%	0.0	4.6	5.4	-13.8%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	193.9	277.5	-30.1%	0.4	32.7	21.2	54.1%	0.0
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.3	0.3	10.0%	-	0.0	0.1	-84.3%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	3.4	6.8	-50.7%	0.0	4.0	6.1	-35.0%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>9 287.6</b>	<b>10 677.2</b>	<b>-13.0%</b>	<b>-19.1</b>	<b>2 533.7</b>	<b>2 298.3</b>	<b>10.2%</b>	<b>1.5</b>

## Preliminary BLNS Cumulative Statement

<b>METHODOLOGY</b> 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 January 2017 / January to January 2016					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to January 2017	January to January 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to January 2017	January to January 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	9 287.6	9 755.7	-4.8%	2 533.7	2 575.3	-1.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 287.6</b>	<b>9 755.7</b>	<b>-4.8%</b>	<b>2 533.7</b>	<b>2 575.3</b>	<b>-1.6%</b>

### SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to January 2017	January to January 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease	January to January 2017	January to January 2016	Percentage Increase/ Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	284.5	256.3	11.0%	171.3	158.6	8.0%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	553.7	572.5	-3.3%	28.4	47.9	-40.6%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	85.8	82.4	4.1%	0.3	1.3	-77.2%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 011.8	966.9	4.6%	370.3	464.9	-20.4%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	1 763.4	1 828.2	-3.5%	49.5	41.2	20.2%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	795.1	796.4	-0.2%	683.4	546.3	25.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	356.0	368.6	-3.4%	32.4	28.6	13.3%
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).	38.4	45.5	-15.5%	15.7	16.2	-3.1%
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.	113.5	107.1	6.0%	103.4	87.3	18.5%
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.	278.4	243.3	14.4%	29.4	22.4	31.2%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	365.8	356.9	2.5%	400.5	330.1	21.3%
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.	99.4	101.1	-1.7%	5.4	17.3	-68.9%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	109.6	119.1	-8.0%	7.2	11.3	-36.3%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	523.7	832.3	-37.1%	284.4	371.7	-23.5%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	506.8	558.3	-9.2%	70.8	52.2	35.6%
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.	1 252.6	1 309.2	-4.3%	221.7	263.1	-15.8%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	840.7	917.3	-8.3%	18.3	79.9	-77.1%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	110.7	103.5	6.9%	4.6	5.7	-19.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	193.9	183.4	5.7%	32.7	25.2	29.9%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.3	2.6	-87.4%	0.0	0.0	-25.7%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	3.4	4.6	-27.1%	4.0	4.0	-0.2%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.0	-	-	-	-	0.0%
<b>Total</b>		<b>9 287.6</b>	<b>9 755.7</b>	<b>-4.8%</b>	<b>2 533.7</b>	<b>2 575.3</b>	<b>-1.6%</b>