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ABREAVIATIONS USED

SADC	Southern African Development Community
SACU	Southern African Customs Union
DRC	Democratic Republic of Congo
EU	European Union
USA	United States of America
UAE	United Arab Emirates

SYMBOLS USED

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Introduction

The current external trade monthly digest gives data as at April 2007. The aim of the Central Statistics office is to publish preliminary monthly statistics on external trade, through twelve monthly digests each year.

Following computerization of Customs & Excise operations, there are still a few border posts that are not automated. Data from these none computerized borders accounts for between five (5) to 10 percent of total monthly trade. Data used in the current issue is complete up to October 2006 while data for **November 2006 to April 2007 is from automated borders only and constitute about 90 percent of total monthly trade.**

This digest presents monthly figures from January 2005 to April 2007 for Table 1 (Total Trade) and Tables 2.1 & 2.2 (Principal Imports & Exports). Tables 3.1 & 3.2 contain direction of trade, also referred to as trade by major trading partners for the most recent twelve months, up to and including the current month; April 2007.

Three graphical presentations are given; Chart 1 presenting total trade and trade balance from January 2005 to April 2007 and Charts 2.1 and 2.2 giving principal commodity groups for imports and total exports respectively for April 2007 only.

Most traded commodities are presented for March 2007 and April 2007; imports presented on Table 4.1 (a) & (b) while exports appear on Tables 4.2 (a) & (b). Trade at chapter level (2 digits Harmonized Commodity Coding System) is also given for the most recent two months (Table 5).

We hope that users will find information carried on the monthly digest useful and continue giving us feed back on how the digest can be improved.



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1.0 Total Trade

Components of total external trade statistics; imports, domestic exports (exports of Botswana origin) and re-exports (exports that were originally imports and are now being exported for reasons best known to the exporter) appear on this section. This section also presents trade balance, which is the difference between total exports (the sum of domestic exports and re-exports) and imports.

The data presented in this section is from January 2005 to April 2007. As new data is received on monthly basis, statistics for the previous months is updated with data for late entries for those months. As a result, data for previous months cannot be expected to remain the same in the future.

The April 2007 External Trade Monthly Digest presents complete monthly data up to October 2006, data for November 2006 onwards is from automated border posts only and is about 90 percent of expected monthly trade. As in the previous digests, comparisons made with regard to the statistics carried should be followed with the understanding that data is complete only up to October 2006.

1.1 Imports

The value of total imports for 2006 was P17, 859.0 million as compared to P16, 082.3 million in 2005, giving 11.0 percent increase between the two years. As regard to the twelve months period between March 2006 and March 2007, total monthly imports during March 2007 were valued at P1, 780.3 million, an increase of 21.2 percent from the March 2006 value of P1, 469.4 million.

April 2007 recorded total imports value of P1, 801.5 million as compared to P1, 272.3 million during the same month in 2006, giving an increase of 41.6 percent over the twelve months period.

With data for March 2007 and April 2007 not yet complete, the percentage increases between these months and the same months during the previous year can be expected to rise once the remaining data is captured. The same can be said for the yearly import data for 2005 and 2006 even though data from manual border posts for only two months (November 2006 & December 2006) still need to be captured.

1.2 Total Exports

Total exports for 2006 were valued at P26, 407.4 million, having increased by 17.5 percent from the 2005 value of P22, 483.3 million. March 2007 recorded total exports value of P3, 063.4 million as compared to P1, 362.6 million during March 2006, this is an increase of more than two fold.

The value of total exports during April 2007 was P2, 005.2 million, this is more than two times the value of P711.1 million during April 2006. It must however be noted that the value of total exports is very much affected by the value of rough *Diamonds* and in case in a particular month the value of rough diamonds was low, the value of total exports will as well tend to be low as compared to the other months where exports for the same commodity were high.

1.3 Trade Balance

Botswana records a trade surplus most of the time. During 2006 trade, a trade surplus of P8, 548,4 million was recorded as compared to P6, 401.0 million in 2005. March 2007 recorded a trade surplus of P1, 283.1 million as compared to a trade deficit of P106.9 million during March of the previous year. April 2007 recorded a trade surplus of P203.7 million while during the same month in 2006, a trade deficit of P561.2 was recorded.

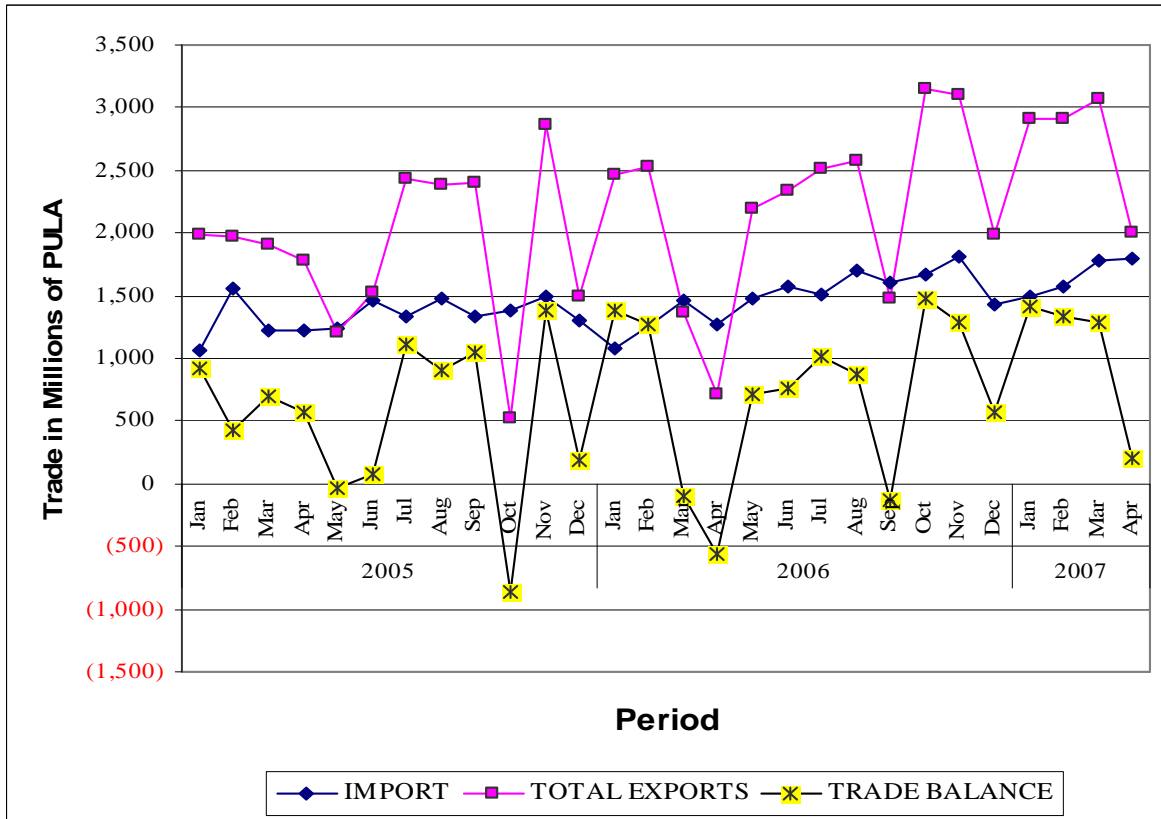
Table 1: Total Trade January 2005 to April 2007 (PULA '000)

	Period \ Flow	EXPORT	IMPORT	RE- EXPORT	TOTAL EXPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
2005	Jan	1,994,308	1,066,522	685	1,994,993	928,471
	Feb	1,975,098	1,554,275	574	1,975,672	421,397
	Mar	1,909,822	1,222,344	3,788	1,913,610	691,266
	Q1	5,879,228	3,843,141	5,047	5,884,275	2,041,134
	Apr	1,779,230	1,216,994	655	1,779,885	562,891
	May	1,202,304	1,243,865	506	1,202,810	(41,055)
	Jun	1,527,057	1,454,783	1,903	1,528,960	74,177
	Q2	4,508,591	3,915,642	3,064	4,511,655	596,013
	Jul	2,438,064	1,328,772	269	2,438,333	1,109,561
	Aug	2,377,820	1,469,540	587	2,378,407	908,867
	Sep	2,390,924	1,338,375	3,558	2,394,482	1,056,107
	Q3	7,206,808	4,136,687	4,414	7,211,222	3,074,535
	Oct	514,207	1,384,344	2,677	516,884	(867,460)
	Nov	2,870,249	1,496,150	869	2,871,118	1,374,968
	Dec	1,487,319	1,306,365	827	1,488,146	181,781
	Q4	4,871,775	4,186,859	4,373	4,876,148	689,289
2005 Total		22,466,402	16,082,329	16,898	22,483,300	6,400,971
2006	Jan	2,465,664	1,076,801	338	2,466,002	1,389,201
	Feb	2,522,023	1,248,148	598	2,522,621	1,274,473
	Mar	1,361,826	1,469,438	753	1,362,579	(106,859)
	Q1	6,349,513	3,794,387	1,689	6,351,202	2,556,815
	Apr	710,910	1,272,327	217	711,127	(561,200)
	May	2,195,853	1,482,980	1,155	2,197,008	714,028
	Jun	2,330,418	1,573,861	647	2,331,065	757,204
	Q2	5,237,181	4,329,168	2,019	5,239,200	910,032
	Jul	2,512,966	1,504,689	274	2,513,240	1,008,551
	Aug	2,570,949	1,706,137	1,953	2,572,902	866,765
	Sep	1,478,304	1,610,832	1,103	1,479,407	(131,425)
	Q3	6,562,219	4,821,658	3,330	6,565,549	1,743,891
	Oct	3,155,961	1,672,798	944	3,156,905	1,484,107
	Nov	3,097,539	1,818,372	4,031	3,101,570	1,283,198
	Dec	1,987,414	1,422,598	5,586	1,993,000	570,402
	Q4	8,240,914	4,913,768	10,561	8,251,475	3,337,707
2006 Total		26,389,827	17,858,981	17,599	26,407,426	8,548,445
2007	Jan	2,883,122	1,490,734	25,022	2,908,144	1,417,410
	Feb	2,869,236	1,572,950	43,602	2,912,838	1,339,888
	Mar	2,986,704	1,780,346	76,720	3,063,424	1,283,078
	Q1	8,739,062	4,844,030	145,344	8,884,406	4,040,376
	Apr	1,962,159	1,801,462	43,009	2,005,168	203,706
	2007 Total		10,701,221	6,645,492	188,353	10,889,574	4,244,082

() denotes negative numbers

Data complete only up to October 2006; data for November 2006 onwards is from automated borders only & constitute 90 % of total monthly trade.

Chart 1: Trade Balance: January 2005 to April 2007 (Million PULA)



The graphical presentation of components of total trade in Chart 1 shows that there is growth in foreign trade over the period under consideration, for both imports and exports, even though the curves are not smooth.

2.0 Trade by Principal Commodities

Principal commodity groups refer to selections of commodities grouped together to form major groups of related commodities. These groups will be related in use and when grouped together form significant part of the flow of goods inside or outside Botswana, that is imports or exports. This section displays trade for such groups of imported or exported commodities.

2.1 Principal Imports

Major import commodity groups are presented on Table 2.1 for the period covering January 2005 to April 2007. Percentage distributions for these import commodity groups form part of this Table for 2005 total, 2006 total, March 2007 and April 2007. Chart 2.1 displays percentage distributions for the major import commodity groups for April 2007 only.

Imports into Botswana revolve around five major groups, these are; *Chemicals & Rubber Products*; *Food, Beverages & Tobacco*; *Fuel*; *Machinery & Electrical Equipment* and *Vehicles & Transport Equipment*.

In 2005 percentages contributions of these import groups to total imports were as follows; *Machinery & Electrical Equipment* with 16.9 percent (P2, 713.7 million); *Food, Beverages & Tobacco* with 14.0 percent (P2, 244.2 million); *Fuel* with 13.7 percent (P2,

205.6 million); *Vehicles & Transport Equipment* with 12.9 percent (P2, 080.3 million) and *Chemicals & Rubber Products* with 12.3 percent (P1, 983.5 million); refer to Table 2.1.

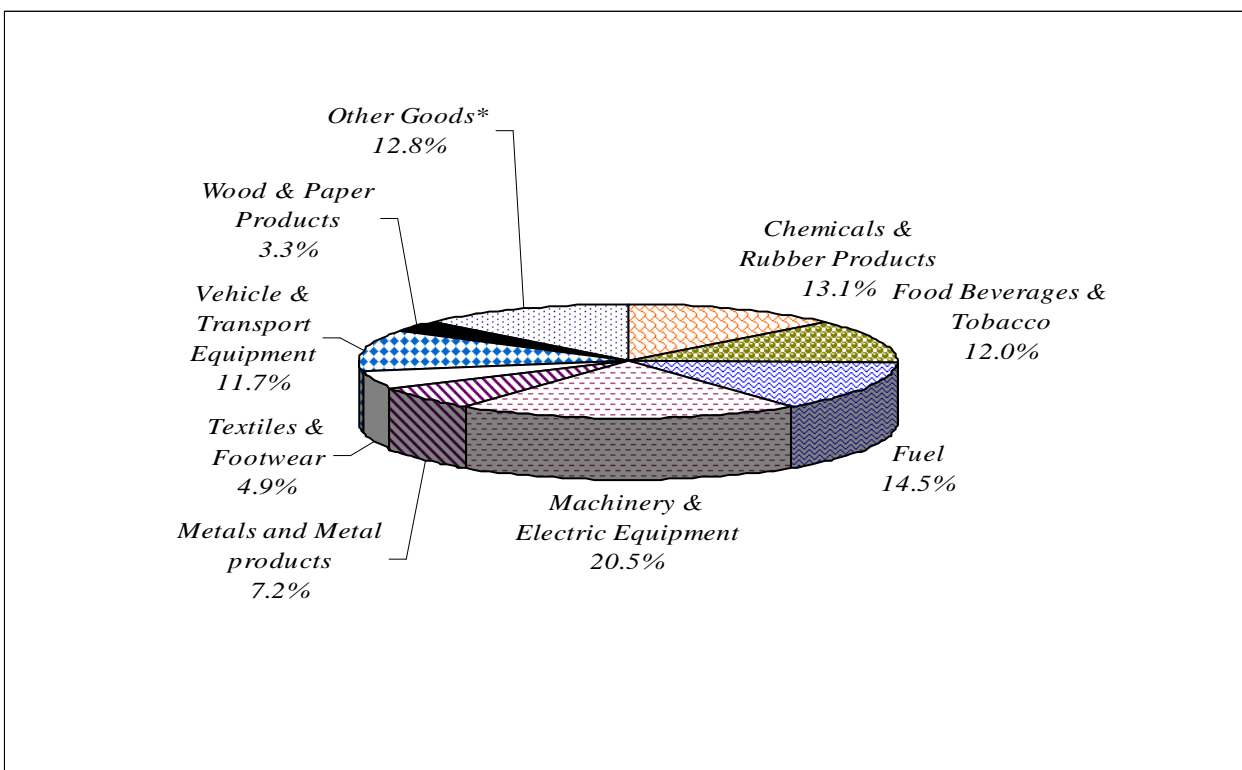
As regard the 2006 imports, the five main import commodity groups contributed as follows to total imports; *Fuel* with 17.3 percent (P3, 084.0 million); *Machinery & Electrical Equipment* with 16.8 percent (P2, 991.7 million); *Food, Beverages & Tobacco* with 13.9 percent (P2, 481.6 million); *Chemicals & Rubber Products* with 13.2 percent (P2, 356.8 million) and *Vehicles & Transport Equipment* with 9.7 percent (P1, 725.9 million).

Percentage distributions for other import groups as well as those for the two most recent months can be observed on Table 2.1 and Chart 2.1 (for March 2007).

During March 2007, *Machinery & Electrical Equipment* took the lead with 18.9 percent (P336.6 million); followed by *Fuel* with 14.9 percent (P264.8 million); *Chemicals & Rubber Products* with 14.2 percent ((P252.9 million); *Food, Beverages & Tobacco* with 12.5 percent (P223.2 million) and *Vehicles & transport Equipment* with 11.7 percent (P207.5 million).

Percentage contributions for principal import commodity during April 2007 followed the same pattern as that of the previous month. These can be observed on both Table 2.1 and Chart 2.1 with *Machinery & Electrical Equipment* contributing 20.5 percent of total imports.

Chart 2.1: Principal Imports Composition – April 2007



Other Goods in Chart 2.1 include 'Other Goods plus Furniture 7 Salt, Ores & Related Products from Table 2.1

Table 2.1 Principal Import Commodity Groups – January 2005 to April 2007 (PULA '000)

	Chemicals & Rubber Products	Food Beverages & Tobacco	Fuel	Furniture	Machinery & Electric Equipment	Metals & Metal products	Salt Ores & Related Products	Textiles & Footwear	Vehicle & Transport Equipment	Wood & Paper Products	Other Goods	Total Imports
Jan	130,176	152,077	122,657	12,175	185,564	78,076	51,510	45,321	111,562	54,265	123,139	1,066,522
Feb	157,463	159,590	137,255	23,374	271,308	89,037	43,470	57,082	469,480	53,685	92,531	1,554,275
Mar	159,634	175,468	121,356	20,691	216,592	89,284	42,827	65,938	150,931	50,212	129,411	1,222,344
Q1	447,273	487,135	381,268	56,240	673,464	256,397	137,807	168,341	731,973	158,162	345,081	3,843,141
Apr	154,645	162,334	138,705	24,200	212,795	96,351	38,985	62,690	155,818	50,566	119,905	1,216,994
May	160,100	195,251	152,553	24,843	184,928	94,616	38,568	64,130	156,356	54,417	118,103	1,243,865
Jun	187,137	177,041	184,869	30,370	225,420	120,284	47,599	60,600	188,618	57,776	175,069	1,454,783
Q2	501,882	534,626	476,127	79,413	623,143	311,251	125,152	187,420	500,792	162,759	413,077	3,915,642
Jul	169,057	180,151	179,147	25,274	241,348	105,480	44,630	61,730	186,846	60,115	74,994	1,328,772
Aug	178,370	215,700	247,000	27,436	242,373	114,367	54,228	73,835	152,949	59,565	103,717	1,469,540
Sep	168,723	195,176	206,207	28,441	218,191	111,393	46,367	76,923	138,356	57,854	90,744	1,338,375
Q3	516,150	591,027	632,354	81,151	701,912	331,240	145,225	212,488	478,151	177,534	269,455	4,136,687
Oct	173,507	208,686	276,381	31,232	209,125	111,822	57,597	74,103	111,375	60,561	69,955	1,384,344
Nov	175,773	211,697	229,670	35,128	262,441	131,114	48,022	84,739	150,443	74,798	92,325	1,496,150
Dec	168,915	211,022	209,817	23,262	243,575	97,695	51,496	65,043	107,516	55,738	72,286	1,306,365
Q4	518,195	631,405	715,868	89,622	715,141	340,631	157,115	223,885	369,334	191,097	234,566	4,186,859
Total 2005	1,983,500	2,244,193	2,205,617	306,426	2,713,660	1,239,519	565,299	792,134	2,080,250	689,552	1,262,179	16,082,329
Jan	141,723	172,056	199,525	12,650	150,440	84,235	37,800	42,702	127,466	49,760	58,444	1,076,801
Feb	179,706	176,287	190,575	19,889	209,570	100,962	40,549	57,709	132,169	49,971	90,761	1,248,148
Mar	195,524	220,336	228,940	25,075	217,395	117,356	50,066	81,931	155,429	65,144	112,242	1,469,438
Q1	516,953	568,679	619,040	57,614	577,405	302,553	128,415	182,342	415,064	164,875	261,447	3,794,387
Apr	159,974	178,190	218,420	22,790	201,842	114,838	59,877	68,161	119,676	50,440	78,119	1,272,327
May	202,118	220,472	275,213	28,062	216,924	132,086	44,479	85,390	118,338	61,463	98,435	1,482,980
Jun	215,287	183,088	333,516	28,880	254,273	118,292	46,053	63,737	165,045	57,064	108,626	1,573,861
Q2	577,379	581,750	827,149	79,732	673,039	365,216	150,409	217,288	403,059	168,967	285,180	4,329,168
Jul	193,430	191,781	271,694	26,159	245,969	133,521	49,421	70,539	141,650	61,403	119,122	1,504,689
Aug	228,753	236,707	301,270	32,896	321,600	137,166	48,264	80,993	155,344	64,897	98,247	1,706,137
Sep	204,991	213,325	314,956	32,850	271,935	139,168	70,713	82,907	129,324	63,587	87,076	1,610,832
Q3	627,174	641,813	887,920	91,905	839,504	409,855	168,398	234,439	426,318	189,887	304,445	4,821,658
Oct	210,047	232,897	217,876	35,060	330,700	139,312	47,603	85,805	167,658	63,147	142,693	1,672,798
Nov	253,828	245,420	295,012	43,646	306,689	141,639	59,397	102,178	188,730	82,063	99,770	1,818,372
Dec	171,372	211,087	237,012	33,045	264,410	97,183	41,919	76,968	125,106	68,022	96,474	1,422,598
Q4	635,247	689,404	749,900	111,751	901,799	378,134	148,919	264,951	481,494	213,232	338,937	4,913,768
Total 2006	2,356,753	2,481,646	3,084,009	341,002	2,991,747	1,455,758	596,141	899,020	1,725,935	736,961	1,190,009	17,858,981
Jan	205,273	215,761	250,889	18,635	270,309	107,949	41,562	67,291	154,222	62,456	96,387	1,490,734
Feb	201,291	213,320	237,115	28,215	260,461	130,423	47,189	82,941	189,143	69,227	113,625	1,572,950
Mar	252,927	223,187	264,836	32,910	336,629	138,756	45,386	100,741	207,482	72,605	104,887	1,780,346
Q1	659,491	652,268	752,840	79,760	867,399	377,128	134,137	250,973	550,847	204,288	314,899	4,844,030
Apr	236,715	216,278	261,389	25,656	369,259	129,666	21,466	87,699	211,009	58,699	183,626	1,801,462
Total 2007	896,206	868,546	1,014,229	105,416	1,236,658	506,794	155,603	338,672	761,856	262,987	498,525	6,645,492
<i>% Distributions</i>												
<i>2005</i>												
Total	12.3	14.0	13.7	1.9	16.9	7.7	3.5	4.9	12.9	4.3	7.8	100.0
<i>2006</i>												
Total	13.2	13.9	17.3	1.9	16.8	8.2	3.3	5.0	9.7	4.1	6.7	100.0
<i>2007</i>												
Mar	14.2	12.5	14.9	1.8	18.9	7.8	2.5	5.7	11.7	4.1	5.9	100.0
Apr	13.1	12.0	14.5	1.4	20.5	7.2	1.2	4.9	11.7	3.3	10.2	100.0

Data complete only up to October 2006; data for November 2006 onwards is from automated borders only & constitute 90 % of total monthly trade.

2.2 Principal Exports

Table 2.2 presents major groups of commodities exported by Botswana during 2005 and 2006 as well as the first four months of 2007. Percentage contributions of these export groups to total exports for 2005 and 2006 as well as for the two most recent months of 2007 are also displayed in the table. Chart 2.2 however presents only percentage distributions for the most recent month.

Total exports during 2005 were valued at P22, 483.3 million, 75.0 percent (16, 863.9 million) of this was attributed to *Diamonds* exports. This was followed by *Copper/Nickel Matte* with 10.3 percent (P2, 316.1 million), followed by *Textiles* with 5.0 percent (P1, 119.7 million).

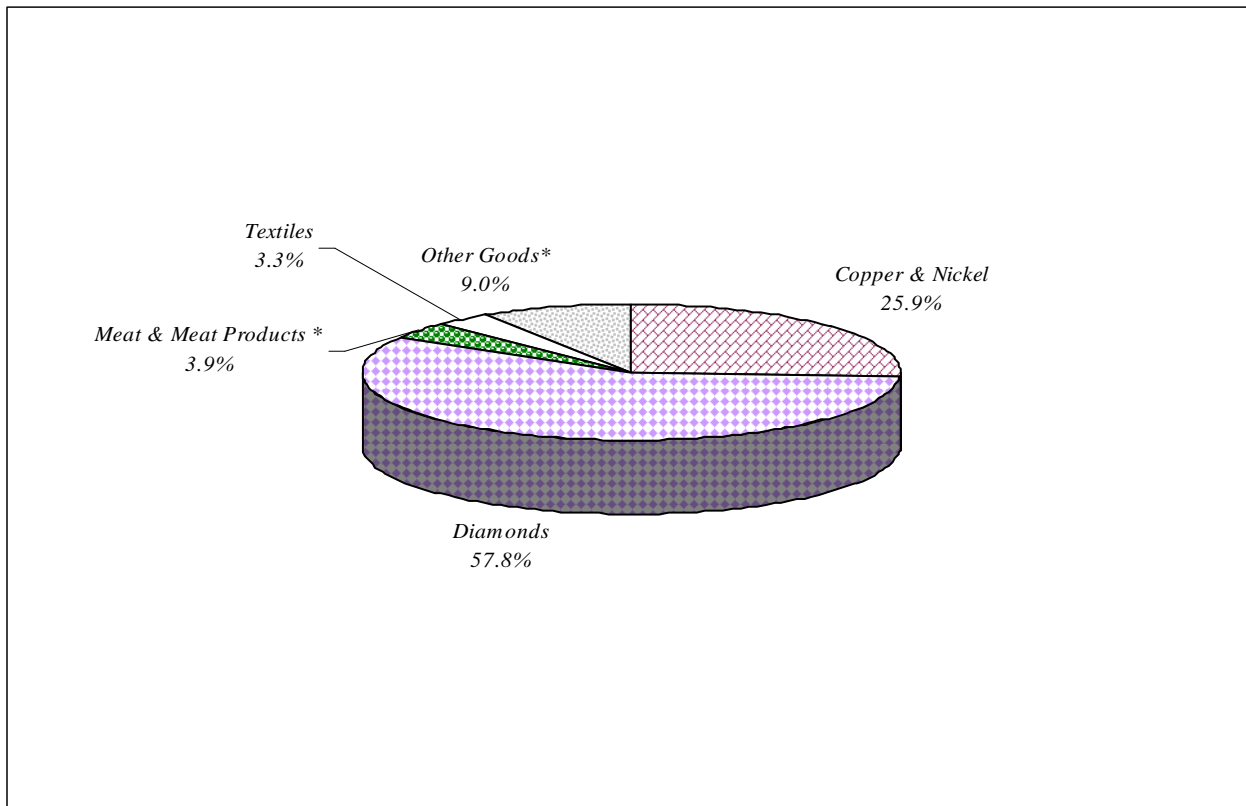
During 2006, total exports were valued at P26, 407.4 million, with 73.6 percent (P19, 431.8 million) being attributable to *Diamonds* exports. *Copper/Nickel Matte* contributed 13.7 percent (P3, 618.9 million) of total exports during 2006.

The value of total exports during March 2007 was P3, 063.4 million, 58.7 percent of this total, P1, 796.9 was attributed to *Diamonds* exports. *Copper/Nickel Matte* exports were valued at P681.3 million, 22.2 percent, while *Textile* exports contributed 10.6 percent (P323.6 million).

Total exports were valued at P2, 005.2 million during April 2007, with 57.8 percent (P1, 159.7 million) of this being *Diamonds* exports. *Copper/Nickel Matte* exports were valued at P518.7 million, 25.9 percent of total exports during the month. *Meat & Meat Products* contributed 3.7 percent (P74.0 million), while *Textile* exports contribution was 3.3 percent (P66.8 million).

Percentages distributions for other export groups can be observed on Table 2.2 while Chart 2.2 gives the graphical presentation of the extract from this table, for April 2007.

Chart 2.2: Principal Exports Composition – April 2007



*Meat & Meat Products**: include *Meat & Meat Products* plus *Hides & Skins* from Table 2.2

*Other Goods**: include *Other Goods* plus *Salt & Soda Ash, Plastic & Plastic Products, Machinery & Electrical Equipment* and *Iron, Steel & Related Products*.

Table 2.2 Principal Export Commodity Groups – January 2005 to April 2007 (PULA ‘000’)

	Copper & Nickel	Diamonds	Gold	Hides & Skins	Iron Steel & Related Products	Machinery & Electric Equipment	Meat & Meat Products	Plastic & Plastic Products	Salt & Soda Ash	Textiles	Vehicles & Parts	Other Goods	Total Exports
Jan	180,194	1,643,868	0	1,404	6,021	22,101	1,970	2,110	14,641	40,697	54,902	27,085	1,994,993
Feb	201,253	1,540,046	7,756	1,151	6,554	18,149	10,753	2,197	11,306	83,900	61,871	30,736	1,975,672
Mar	156,011	1,529,606	16,111	3,537	6,003	21,392	22,695	3,721	17,282	55,183	52,330	29,739	1,913,610
Q1	537,458	4,713,520	23,867	6,092	18,578	61,642	35,418	8,028	43,229	179,780	169,103	87,560	5,884,275
Apr	171,473	1,372,677	9,059	5,355	6,750	14,928	36,855	3,912	15,514	39,190	64,502	39,670	1,779,885
May	227,259	678,926	25,718	1,801	6,275	19,190	34,673	2,553	19,480	85,763	69,313	31,859	1,202,810
Jun	148,428	1,009,759	27,414	2,759	7,989	23,374	61,828	2,800	33,662	103,322	74,056	33,569	1,528,960
Q2	547,160	3,061,362	62,191	9,915	21,014	57,492	133,356	9,265	68,656	228,275	207,871	105,098	4,511,655
Jul	148,947	1,964,203	4,506	1,612	8,168	16,529	53,335	4,692	2,565	137,927	64,187	31,663	2,438,334
Aug	251,821	1,778,833	13,125	4,105	11,544	25,811	49,211	4,299	22,089	134,615	37,448	45,506	2,378,407
Sep	180,855	1,859,422	6,103	1,812	10,989	23,168	47,265	4,935	19,424	140,337	46,124	54,048	2,394,482
Q3	581,623	5,602,458	23,734	7,529	30,701	65,508	149,811	13,926	44,078	412,879	147,759	131,217	7,211,223
Oct	204,358	16,138	0	2,238	12,081	26,352	23,187	6,015	3,008	151,643	22,946	48,918	516,884
Nov	279,491	2,352,484	19,161	1,719	10,360	19,289	20,770	7,353	19,566	69,043	11,360	60,522	2,871,118
Dec	166,024	1,117,929	1,090	1,036	5,040	21,516	13,821	4,263	19,754	78,105	14,069	45,499	1,488,146
Q4	649,873	3,486,551	20,251	4,993	27,481	67,157	57,778	17,631	42,328	298,791	48,375	154,939	4,876,148
Total 2005	2,316,114	16,863,891	130,043	28,529	97,774	251,799	376,363	48,850	198,291	1,119,725	573,108	478,814	22,483,301
Jan	201,950	2,071,439	27,041	1,026	7,827	13,071	5,255	3,442	14,330	72,536	15,809	32,276	2,466,002
Feb	163,198	2,124,138	8,108	2,052	9,788	25,564	19,349	6,043	22,486	69,621	34,217	38,057	2,522,621
Mar	197,427	960,459	0	2,983	10,091	13,322	27,283	9,369	2,645	75,287	12,582	51,131	1,362,579
Q1	562,575	5,156,036	35,149	6,061	27,706	51,957	51,887	18,854	39,461	217,444	62,608	121,464	6,351,202
Apr	164,259	351,096	21,420	2,441	9,017	20,654	30,815	6,647	12,598	41,000	10,655	40,525	711,127
May	225,089	1,774,513	31,017	1,861	8,425	21,213	9,208	6,069	14,560	48,435	1,575	55,043	2,197,008
Jun	283,723	1,809,557	22,445	4,684	9,244	19,601	5,234	5,822	31,653	66,341	11,571	61,190	2,331,065
Q2	673,071	3,935,166	74,882	8,986	26,686	61,468	45,257	18,538	58,811	155,776	23,801	156,758	5,239,200
Jul	237,476	2,018,070	20,374	1,408	9,188	18,137	51,954	6,958	17,171	73,908	16,132	42,464	2,513,240
Aug	342,048	1,889,697	17,217	4,316	13,570	15,055	104,013	9,990	23,550	85,567	13,051	54,828	2,572,902
Sep	426,242	724,145	41,321	38,900	10,113	26,922	81,106	9,202	19,227	78,286	11,871	12,071	1,479,406
Q3	1,005,766	4,631,912	78,912	44,624	32,871	60,114	237,073	26,150	59,948	237,761	41,054	109,363	6,565,548
Oct	486,918	2,317,615	17,739	4,527	13,027	29,483	60,866	10,453	3,396	113,198	9,206	90,477	3,156,905
Nov	498,084	2,243,107	NA	3,201	13,790	17,228	42,687	10,860	1,211	138,180	14,310	118,912	3,101,570
Dec	392,437	1,147,964	NA	4,377	8,222	19,550	39,238	7,177	1,826	54,351	18,060	299,797	1,992,999
Q4	1,377,439	5,708,686	17,739	12,105	35,039	66,261	142,791	28,490	6,433	305,729	41,576	509,186	8,251,474
Total 2006	3,618,851	19,431,800	206,682	71,776	122,302	239,800	477,008	92,032	164,653	916,710	169,039	896,771	26,407,424
Jan	461,647	2,033,838	NA	3,813	8,474	28,607	16,911	7,807	5,330	234,377	11,046	96,294	2,908,144
Feb	505,637	2,013,258	NA	2,351	10,015	28,380	73,935	11,098	2,787	212,231	15,220	37,926	2,912,838
Mar	681,261	1,796,943	NA	4,854	13,272	18,084	75,299	12,449	3,539	323,577	12,273	121,873	3,063,424
Q1	1,648,545	5,844,039	NA	11,018	31,761	75,071	166,145	31,354	11,656	770,185	38,539	256,093	8,884,406
Apr	518,696	1,159,724	NA	4,560	11,949	17,150	74,040	8,727	2,708	66,760	8,762	132,093	2,005,169
Total 2007	2,167,241	7,003,763	NA	15,578	43,710	92,221	240,185	40,081	14,364	836,945	47,301	388,186	10,889,575
<i>% Distributions</i>													
<i>2005</i>													
Total	10.3	75.0	0.6	0.1	0.4	1.1	1.7	0.2	0.9	5.0	2.5	2.1	100.0
<i>2006</i>													
Total	13.7	73.6	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.8	0.3	0.6	3.5	0.6	3.4	100.0
<i>2007</i>													
Mar	22.2	58.7	NA	0.2	0.4	0.6	2.5	0.4	0.1	10.6	0.4	4.0	100.0
Apr	25.9	57.8	NA	0.2	0.6	0.9	3.7	0.4	0.1	3.3	0.4	6.6	100.0

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NA stands for Not Available

3.0 Trade by Regional and Major Partner Countries

This section presents trade by major trading partners at regional and country level. The section covers the most recent twelve months up to April 2007. Table 3.1 presents imports by source and Table 3.2 display total exports by destination. Trade is presented at country level for those partners with significant trade with Botswana while other trading partners whose trade is not much, are grouped together per region, under one category referred to as “*other*”.

3.1 Imports by Region and Major Trading Partner Countries

March 2007 imports were valued at P1, 780.3 million, *86.3 percent* (P1, 535.6 million) of this came from South Africa. Imports from the Southern Africa Customs Union (SACU) as a region were valued at P1, 548.6 million, *87.0 percent* of total imports during the month.

Other individual countries that provided imports worth at least *one percent* of total imports during March 2007 were Zimbabwe with *1.4 percent* (P24.4 million), the United Kingdom with *1.1 percent* (P20.3 million), China with *1.9 percent* (P33.7 million) and the United States of America with *1.0 percent* (P17.5 million).

During April 2007, imports were valued at P1, 801.5 million, with *78.2 percent* (P1, 408.4 million) of this total coming from South Africa, while imports from the whole of SACU were *78.6 percent* (P1, 416.6 million) of total imports.

Some of the individual countries that provided imports being at least *one percent* of total imports during April 2007 included the following; the United States of America with *4.5 percent* (P81.4 million), Belgium with *3.8 percent* (P68.4 million) and Taiwan with *1.5 percent* (P26.1 million).

Imports from regional groupings and individual countries can be observed on Table 3.1, however, percentage distributions do not form part of this table.

Table 3.1: Imports by Region and Partner; April 2006 to April 2007 (PULA '000)

Year Partner \ Period	2006						2007					
	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Africa Total	1,348,103	1,417,100	1,318,392	1,487,831	1,427,960	1,425,635	1,633,074	1,270,282	1,228,500	1,393,352	1,580,088	1,436,715
SADC Total	1,347,729	1,416,361	1,318,078	1,487,156	1,427,552	1,424,243	1,631,609	1,269,621	1,225,816	1,389,969	1,579,082	1,436,490
<i>SACU:</i>												
South Africa	1,289,794	1,376,508	1,274,377	1,421,347	1,378,350	1,379,654	1,583,419	1,229,396	1,162,747	1,344,154	1,535,564	1,408,413
Namibia	7,959	6,836	8,692	15,940	8,231	7,244	12,799	16,539	7,081	8,309	13,034	8,142
Lesotho	82	962	3	4	44	43	2	2	5	2	3	...
Swaziland	40	56	9	5	18	83	227	36	54	46	5	2
SACU Total	1,297,875	1,384,362	1,283,081	1,437,296	1,386,643	1,387,024	1,596,447	1,245,973	1,169,887	1,352,511	1,548,606	1,416,557
<i>Other SADC:</i>												
Mozambique	13,813	7,600	7,763	6,284	6,931	3	4,626	62	40	128	413	...
Mauritius	1,855	542	1,063	4,318	2,317	2,436	3,269	3,242	1,181	2,330	2,883	17
Zambia	2,559	3,544	3,348	4,318	5,378	1,867	3,195	998	35,290	2,262	2,511	1,656
Zimbabwe	31,266	20,038	22,658	34,462	25,443	32,566	23,155	19,003	18,310	32,004	24,375	17,837
Malawi	328	193	0	395	764	114	851	285	111	661	196	407
Rest of SADC	33	82	165	83	76	233	66	58	997	73	98	16
Rest of Africa	374	739	314	675	408	1,392	1,465	661	2,684	3,383	1,006	225
EU	48,274	57,451	75,709	90,959	89,903	61,114	64,872	41,854	122,183	61,304	70,692	114,255
<i>United Kingdom</i>												
United Kingdom	9,368	12,593	15,257	18,227	12,932	17,392	19,198	16,334	26,663	21,379	20,312	19,484
France	2,850	3,165	4,536	2,483	2,269	3,612	1,725	3,028	16,375	7,006	2,080	4,630
Germany	7,350	4,247	3,403	38,654	38,530	2,283	10,951	3,125	34,543	4,385	7,106	8,586
Belgium	21,156	8,242	7,647	4,750	11,615	7,335	18,166	8,454	8,312	18,937	3,034	68,403
Spain	623	16,532	27,882	2,074	69	177	542	665	2,762	1,866	999	3,834
Ireland	1,032	1,218	567	3,642	2,824	2,298	319	1,087	981	900	3,152	1,949
Italy	2,400	696	4,269	432	8,428	3,686	3,853	799	1,400	570	1,231	588
Netherlands	380	3,128	2,791	2,727	597	11,258	1,913	1,771	7,638	1,474	3,308	524
Portugal	189	349	488	2,302	1,471	1,962	711	785	1,984	1,713	9,764	1,901
Sweden	666	5,375	1,959	3,385	8,423	9,882	4,249	1,969	8,157	633	11,854	2,091
Denmark	599	533	1,757	9,830	2,188	462	1,351	1,421	3,296	845	1,825	889
Austria	157	30	1,275	172	112	4	435	95	813	35	630	...
Finland	724	1,106	1,037	674	161	16	1,088	399	3,326	191	1,917	109
Cyprus	124	78	2,081	744	...	370	357	307	4,077	...	...	49
Greece	557	...	394	83	0	359	...	176	5	...	1,714	143
Rest of EU	99	159	366	780	284	18	14	1,439	1,851	1,370	1,766	1,075
ASIA	59,641	83,956	93,533	88,492	73,578	127,664	85,309	88,214	99,774	93,927	94,049	121,136
China	13,233	16,370	20,739	16,447	17,071	16,351	18,575	20,444	21,164	20,285	33,667	20,528
Israel	11,569	9,841	15,098	2,662	10,319	12,247	7,900	5,770	17,753	10,145	13,148	19,895
India	6,463	3,305	13,514	12,623	7,791	7,799	11,331	8,948	12,192	8,654	6,808	4,307
Japan	6,824	7,532	7,985	12,147	11,239	12,530	10,791	9,805	9,273	8,477	11,086	7,833
Hong Kong	5,519	12,264	13,858	15,613	5,839	8,270	14,416	12,531	8,956	16,573	12,166	15,531
Taiwan	4,021	2,570	3,341	3,704	4,771	3,313	3,676	2,217	2,550	2,700	4,064	26,146
Singapore	4,748	7,877	5,159	5,690	7,102	47,024	7,380	4,423	6,961	4,365	5,539	5,693
UAE	3,114	3,005	1,912	2,362	1,504	2,456	2,111	712	1,104	2,243	1,147	1,576
Korea	2,465	3,142	1,372	4,838	1,523	4,572	4,220	2,785	4,409	1,436	1,560	1,337
Thailand	456	15,201	8,798	10,867	5,166	10,801	1,826	18,362	12,871	17,661	653	16,659
Malaysia	488	1,970	818	590	690	1,229	2,180	1,921	1,372	646	1,431	789
Pakistan	114	552	213	226	114	86	327	88	349	160	616	268
Sri Lanka	146	1	150	209	172	353	198	3	337	171	4	209
Rest of ASIA	481	326	576	514	277	633	378	205	483	411	2,160	365
USA	13,034	7,990	3,354	13,553	7,386	45,569	12,897	15,898	26,709	11,872	17,537	81,372
Rest of World	13,928	7,364	13,702	25,302	12,005	12,816	22,220	6,350	13,568	12,495	17,980	47,984
Total Imports	1,482,980	1,573,861	1,504,690	1,706,137	1,610,832	1,672,798	1,818,372	1,422,598	1,490,734	1,572,950	1,780,346	1,801,462

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3.2 Exports by Region and Major Partner Countries

With total exports value of P3, 063.4 million during March 2007, 63.9 percent (P1, 958.7 million) was attributed to exports to the United Kingdom. Exports to the United Kingdom comprise rough Diamonds mainly, which contribute most of Botswana export earnings.

Exports to South Africa were valued at P205.8 million (6.7 percent) while those to Zimbabwe contributed 5.5 percent (P168.1 million) to total exports during March 2007.

With regard to April 2007, exports to the United Kingdom were valued at P1, 151.7 million. This was a contribution of 57.4 percent of total exports (P2, 005.2 million).

Exports to Zimbabwe were valued at P184.3 million, a contribution of 9.2 percent of total exports during April 2007. Those exports destined for South Africa constituted 7.6 percent (P152.5 million) of total exports during the month.

Exports by destination for other individual countries and regional groupings can be observed on Table 3.2; however, percentage distributions do not form part of the table.

Table 3.2: Exports by Region and Partner; April 2006 to April 2007 (PULA '000')

Year Partner \ Period	2006						2007					
	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Africa Total	221,995	294,842	255,400	311,110	298,021	349,712	264,902	467,909	330,884	365,969	393,573	350,209
SADC Total	221,415	294,535	254,949	309,990	297,761	347,258	264,714	463,276	328,588	365,309	392,784	350,102
SACU:												
South Africa	123,726	124,843	137,794	199,465	176,996	157,788	120,628	93,450	115,924	170,661	205,808	152,534
Namibia	3,768	8,698	3,041	4,503	4,851	16,893	5,376	2,915	3,236	2,921	5,635	3,369
Lesotho	5	5	...	3	49	448	71	110	23	50	21	293
Swaziland	103	18	...	177	544	150	727	259	337	1,814	271	123
SACU Total	127,602	133,564	140,835	204,148	182,440	175,279	126,802	96,734	119,520	175,446	211,735	156,319
Other SADC:												
Malawi	40	177	768	553	162	123	345	762	109	18	1,167	2
DRC	5,742	1,032	3,505	1,841	1,673	1,276	84	4,340	2,606	1,194	2,010	3,045
Angola	14	53	185	444	445	864	79	605	125	626	1,488	...
Mauritius	79	106	226	252	309	264	279	325	69	160	...	95
Mozambique	674	11	2	1,253	...	...	2,192	314	...	349	23	232
Tanzania	64	48	1	327	452	492	368	1,460	631	3	16	31
Zambia	6,645	7,734	9,091	7,938	11,407	10,741	6,750	6,227	9,903	5,391	8,246	6,123
Zimbabwe	80,555	151,808	100,335	93,234	100,690	158,219	127,815	352,509	195,623	182,122	168,098	184,255
<i>Rest of SADC</i>	0	2	1	0	183	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
<i>Rest of Africa</i>	580	307	451	1,120	260	2,454	188	4,633	2,296	660	789	107
EU	1,777,646	1,803,709	2,059,270	1,851,301	791,281	2,417,978	2,398,100	988,598	2,222,050	2,168,591	1,990,893	1,192,765
United Kingdom												
United Kingdom	1,764,429	1,787,159	2,010,303	1,794,866	715,731	2,383,560	2,294,327	880,994	2,103,179	2,120,614	1,958,666	1,151,741
Germany	5,764	1,773	8,902	21,748	21,933	13,061	6,218	7,685	100,931	9,921	19,089	16,715
Portugal	3,457	2,184	1,642	2,286	3,999	3,228	2,386	2,500	2,348	1,779	3,136	1,382
Belgium	1,156	10,135	10,362	24,842	18,031	8,128	17,803	34,770	...	19,426	1,632	18,648
Netherlands	122	170	15,251	12	17,967	1,106	1	7	8,089	5,817	222	15
France	1,372	414	0	1,212	3,091	1,784	1,315	1,966	1,268	1,265	1,753	...
Greece	1,334	221	12,683	5,596	10,136	6,646	1,845	1,790	...	9,694	6,050	4,251
Italy	0	1,238	1	708	368	363	3	1,206	6,209	...	...	...
Finland	0	...	...	5	...	...	74,082	57,645	26	...	...	...
<i>Rest of EU</i>	11	415	126	26	25	102	120	37	0	75	345	13
ASIA	18,316	23,324	26,247	131,993	21,290	14,117	27,270	21,125	14,637	15,767	143,158	9,457
Israel	12,880	16,367	17,920	107,319	16,475	10,324	22,607	10,198	9,235	15,630	18,132	5,839
China	4,925	3,303	1,896	2,920	3,635	3,245	4,379	3,031	3,942	...	106,538	...
India	47	129	10	50	446	234	29	29	1,219	103	51	165
UAE	51	0	...	29	78	...	79	61	119	30	...	32
Hong Kong	2	6	1,363	10,518	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,488	...
Singapore	...	1	...	10,755	...	...	...	7,288	...	...	...	...
<i>Rest of ASIA</i>	411	3,518	5,058	402	656	314	176	518	122	4	12,949	3,421
USA	13,782	40,844	19,024	10,945	19,031	33,881	25,763	261,205	20,546	32,824	44,683	14,192
Rest of World	165,269	168,346	153,299	267,553	349,783	341,217	385,535	254,162	320,027	329,687	491,117	438,546
Total Exports	2,197,008	2,331,065	2,513,240	2,572,902	1,479,406	3,156,905	3,101,570	1,992,999	2,908,144	2,912,838	3,063,424	2,005,169

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4.0 Most Traded Commodities

This section presents the top most traded commodities during March and April 2007. For imports, the top 100 imported commodities are given in Table 4.1 (a) for March 2007 and Table 4.1 (b) for April 2007. Since the country imports a variety of commodities, the top 100 imported commodities constitute less than 60 percent of total imports for each of the two months under consideration.

With exports earnings, the top 50 exports constituted over 90 percent of total exports for the two months. Data on the top 50 exported commodities during March 2007 and April 2007 is presented in Table 4.2 (a) and (b).

Table 5 presents trade at chapter level during March 2007 and April 2007.

Table: 4.1 (a) Top 100 Imported Commodities – March 2007 (PULA) *

Rank	Code	Description	Value	% Distribution
1	27101130	Distillate fuel	111,504,157	6.3
2	27101103	Petrol, unleaded,	77,923,917	4.4
3	30049000	Other medicaments of mixed or unmixed products, for retail sale, NES	49,008,797	2.8
4	87032390	Other vehicles of a cylinder capacity exceeding 1500cmcb but not exceeding 3000cmcb NES	44,647,648	2.5
5	87043190	Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods with G.V.M. not exceeding 5t NES	34,119,681	1.9
6	25232900	Portland cement (excl. white)	24,881,436	1.4
7	27160000	Electrical energy	24,475,900	1.4
8	27101105	Petrol, leaded	23,337,346	1.3
9	71023100	Non-industrial diamonds not worked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	20,478,044	1.2
10	26040000	Nickel ores and concentrates	17,291,113	1.0
11	84733000	Parts and accessories of the machines of 84.71	15,543,231	0.9
12	85252000	Radio/tv transmission apparatus incorporating reception apparatus	15,459,116	0.9
13	87041090	Other dumpers designed for off-highway use not elsewhere specified	13,707,910	0.8
14	84716000	ADP input or output units whether or not containing storage units in same housing	12,941,100	0.7
15	73102100	Cans closed by soldering or crimping of capacity <50l of iron/steel	11,794,955	0.7
16	87032490	Other vehicles of a cylinder capacity exceeding 3000cm3	11,759,107	0.7
17	71022900	Industrial diamonds, not mounted or set, NES	11,062,752	0.6
18	85442090	Other co-axial cable & other co-axial electric conductors NES	10,210,066	0.6
19	40119990	Other pneumatic tyres of rubber NES	9,747,533	0.5
20	85179090	Other parts for electrical apparatus for line telephone/line telegraphy NES	8,976,828	0.5
21	20099010	FRUIT JUICES of mixtures of juices	8,655,462	0.5
22	85444900	Electric conductors, for a voltage <=80 V, not fitted with connectors	8,434,731	0.5
23	22030000	Beer made from malt	8,417,071	0.5
24	33049900	Beauty, make-up, skin-care (incl. suntan), NES	8,367,660	0.5
25	24022000	Cigarettes containing tobacco	8,347,527	0.5
26	34022000	Washing and cleaning preparations, put up for retail sale	8,181,690	0.5
27	04012000	Milk and cream of >1% but =<6% fat, not concentrated or sweetened	8,034,566	0.5
28	49019900	Printed books, brochures, leaflets and similar printed matter, NES	7,838,797	0.4
29	87052000	Mobile drilling derricks	7,690,813	0.4
30	87089990	other parts and accessories of motor vehicles of heading no.87.01 to 87.05 NES	7,664,698	0.4
31	84749000	Parts of machinery of 84.74	7,494,645	0.4
32	23099090	other preparations of a kind used in animal feeding not elsewhere specified	7,203,117	0.4
33	87032290	other vehicles of cylinder capacity exceeding 1000cmsq but not exceeding 1500cmsq NES	7,041,312	0.4
34	34012000	Soap in other forms, NES	6,876,120	0.4
35	40111000	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber of a kind used on motor cars	6,687,047	0.4
36	87021090	other motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including driver	6,685,650	0.4
37	87042290	other vehicles for goods with GVM exceeding 5t but not exceeding 20t NES	6,635,485	0.4
38	87100000	Motorized tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles and parts thereof	6,569,434	0.4
39	73089090	other structures of steel/iron not elsewhere specified	6,449,604	0.4
40	84295900	Self-propelled bulldozers, excavators..., NES	6,210,017	0.3
41	85309090	other parts for electrical signalling,safety or traffic control equipment NES	6,110,186	0.3
42	85445900	Electric conductors, for a voltage >80 V-<=1000 V, not fitted with connectors	6,016,908	0.3
43	44071000	Coniferous wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, >6mm thick	5,909,676	0.3
44	38220000	Diagnostic or laboratory .reagents on a backing; prepared diagnostic or laboratory .reagents excl. Ch 30	5,549,410	0.3
45	85442015	Cables, single core with a centre conductor or copper plated with silver	5,366,632	0.3
46	27101152	other prepared lubricating oils	5,305,635	0.3
47	10019000	Spelt, common wheat and meslin	5,289,531	0.3
48	27111100	Natural gas, liquefied	5,268,089	0.3
49	48191000	Cartons, boxes and cases, of corrugated paper or paperboard	5,260,069	0.3
50	90189000	Instruments and apparatus, for medical, surgical... sciences	5,257,832	0.3
51	84292000	graders and levellers	4,974,411	0.3
52	84314300	Parts for boring or sinking machinery of subheading 8430.41 or 8430.49	4,950,274	0.3
53	87029020	OF A VEHICLE MASS EXCEEDING 2000KG	4,891,934	0.3

Table: 4.1 (a) Top 100 Imported Commodities – March 2007 (PULA) Continued,

Rank	Code	Description	Value	% Distribution
54	84314990	other parts of boring or sinking machinery of subheading no.8430.41 or 8430.49 NES	4,805,177	0.3
55	44182000	Doors and their frames and thresholds, of wood	4,758,185	0.3
56	94036000	Wooden furniture, NES	4,512,351	0.3
57	84139100	Parts of pumps for liquids	4,482,472	0.3
58	21039090	other sauces & preparations thereof not elsewhere specified	4,460,574	0.3
59	85441900	Winding wire (excl. of copper)	4,331,831	0.2
60	17019900	Cane or beet sugar, in solid form, NES	4,324,903	0.2
61	94060000	Prefabricated buildings	4,298,627	0.2
62	94035000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom (excl. seats)	4,293,878	0.2
63	87041025	OF G.V.M. NOT EXCEEDING 50T	4,097,968	0.2
64	29181100	Lactic acid, its salts and esters	4,089,462	0.2
65	73071910	other tube, pipe fitting eg .couplings, elbows, sleeves of steel/iron	3,922,597	0.2
66	17049000	Sugar confectionery (incl. white chocolate), not containing cocoa, NES	3,903,251	0.2
67	39041000	Polyvinyl chloride, not mixed with other substances, in primary forms	3,889,883	0.2
68	84112100	Turbo-propellers, of a power =<1100kw	3,828,496	0.2
69	48181000	Toilet paper	3,826,109	0.2
70	40116920	other pneumatic tyres of rubber not elsewhere specified	3,820,341	0.2
71	87059000	Special purpose motor vehicles, NES (eg breakdown lorries, etc)	3,726,233	0.2
72	73269090	other articles of iron or steel wire not elsewhere specified	3,707,953	0.2
73	07019000	Other potatoes, fresh or chilled	3,691,144	0.2
74	87082900	Parts and accessories of bodies (incl. cabs), NES	3,659,696	0.2
75	39241000	Tableware and kitchenware of plastics	3,644,287	0.2
76	40112090	other new pneumatic rubber tyres of a kind used on lorries/buses not elsewhere specified	3,622,698	0.2
77	84711000	Analogue or hybrid automatic data processing machines	3,592,065	0.2
78	73063000	Tubes and pipes, welded, circular, of iron or non-alloy steel, NES	3,591,023	0.2
79	32151900	Printing ink, whether or not concentrated or solid (excl. black)	3,575,147	0.2
80	83099090	other stoppers, caps, lids of steel not elsewhere specified	3,561,316	0.2
81	85022000	Generating sets with spark-ignition internal combustion piston engines	3,528,601	0.2
82	72149900	Iron/steel bars and rods, hot-rolled, hot-drawn or hot extruded, NES	3,515,849	0.2
83	36020000	Prepared explosives, (excl. propellant powders)	3,502,531	0.2
84	63062900	Tents of textiles, (excl. cotton or synthetic fibres)	3,447,498	0.2
85	84718000	Units of automatic data processing machines NES	3,422,285	0.2
86	31028000	Mixtures of urea and ammonium nitrate in aqueous or ammoniacal solution	3,419,148	0.2
87	09109900	Other spices, NES	3,379,473	0.2
88	73083090	other doors, windows, frames & thresholds for doors not elsewhere specified	3,375,843	0.2
89	21032000	Tomato ketchup and other tomato sauces	3,372,914	0.2
90	30039000	Other medicaments with >=2 constituents, not for retail sale, NES	3,362,389	0.2
91	88033000	Parts of aeroplanes or helicopters, NES	3,306,864	0.2
92	15122990	other sunflower, safflower, cotton-seed oil & fractions not chemically refined NES	3,267,534	0.2
93	99990100	new personal imports	3,230,667	0.2
94	10070000	Grain sorghum	3,210,763	0.2
95	94041000	Mattress supports	3,188,426	0.2
96	64039900	Footwear with rubber... soles, leather uppers, not covering the ankle	3,172,603	0.2
97	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice	3,138,573	0.2
98	99990000	used personal effects	3,131,371	0.2
99	33072000	Personal deodorants and antiperspirants	3,128,200	0.2
100	15121900	Other	3,120,520	0.2
Sub Total			942,746,389	53.0
Other Goods			837,599,474	47.0
Total Imports			1,780,345,863	100.0

NES = Not Else where Specified

* Results are based on Data from automated borders only & constitute 90 % of total monthly trade.

Table: 4.1 (b) Top 100 Imported Commodities – April 2007 (PULA) *

Rank	Code	Description	Value	% Distribution
1	27101130	Distillate fuel	105,242,885	5.8
2	27101103	Petrol, unleaded	78,779,766	4.4
3	71022900	Industrial diamonds, not mounted or set, NES	74,100,932	4.1
4	87041090	other dumpers designed for off-highway use not elsewhere specified	65,812,635	3.7
5	30049000	Other medicaments of mixed or unmixed products, for retail sale, NES	57,572,869	3.2
6	71023100	Non-industrial diamonds not worked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	47,856,084	2.7
7	87032390	other vehicles of a cylinder capacity exceeding 1500cmcb but not exceeding 3000cmcb NES	33,755,313	1.9
8	85269100	Radio navigational aid apparatus	31,271,670	1.7
9	87043190	other motor vehicles for the transport of goods with G.V.M. not exceeding 5t NES	27,969,135	1.6
10	27160000	Electrical energy	25,286,306	1.4
11	27101105	Petrol, leaded, as defined in additional note 1(c)	23,665,075	1.3
12	84435900	Printing machinery, NES	22,697,406	1.3
13	25232900	Portland cement (excl. white)	17,412,161	1.0
14	84306900	Earth moving, excavating, extracting... machinery, not self-propelled	15,561,146	0.9
15	84716000	ADP input or output units whether or not containing storage units in same housing	12,026,395	0.7
16	40119990	other pneumatic tyres of rubber, NES	11,555,009	0.6
17	24022000	Cigarettes containing tobacco	10,836,841	0.6
18	87100000	Motorized tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles and parts thereof	10,790,039	0.6
19	73089090	other structures of steel/iron not elsewhere specified	9,839,675	0.5
20	85442090	other co-axial cable & other co-axial electric conductors NES.	9,309,074	0.5
21	20099010	FRUIT JUICES of mixtures of juices	8,883,501	0.5
22	87089990	Other parts and accessories of motor vehicles of heading no.87.01 to 87.05 NES	8,623,438	0.5
23	84314990	Other parts of boring or sinking machinery of subheading no.8430.41 or 8430.49 NES	8,137,738	0.5
24	44071000	Coniferous wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, >6mm thick	7,927,511	0.4
25	73063000	Tubes and pipes, welded, circular, of iron or non-alloy steel, NES	7,919,273	0.4
26	84293000	Self-propelled scrapers	7,862,724	0.4
27	23099090	Other preparations of a kind used in animal feeding not elsewhere specified	7,859,192	0.4
28	73102100	Cans closed by soldering or crimping of capacity <50l of iron/steel	7,542,936	0.4
29	39041000	Polyvinyl chloride, not mixed with other substances, in primary forms	7,465,412	0.4
30	34022000	Washing and cleaning preparations, put up for retail sale	7,198,816	0.4
31	85252000	Radio, television transmission apparatus incorporating reception apparatus	6,988,655	0.4
32	84733000	Parts and accessories of the machines of 84.71	6,966,320	0.4
33	27101152	Other prepared lubricating oils	6,955,112	0.4
34	34012000	Soap in other forms, NES	6,902,561	0.4
35	84292000	Graders and levelers	6,565,481	0.4
36	40111000	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber of a kind used on motor cars	6,540,339	0.4
37	84137025	Submersible pumps	6,379,013	0.4
38	33049900	Beauty, make-up, skin-care (incl. suntan), NES	6,186,810	0.3
39	85442015	Cables single-core with a centre conductor copper plated with silver	6,067,518	0.3
40	85444900	Electric conductors, for a voltage <=80 V, not fitted with connectors	6,055,086	0.3
41	84295190	Other front-end shovel loaders NES.	5,785,689	0.3
42	27111100	Natural gas, liquefied	5,683,599	0.3
43	87032490	Other vehicles of a cylinder capacity exceeding 3000cm3	5,614,094	0.3
44	15121900	Other	5,609,839	0.3
45	04012000	Milk and cream of >1% but <=6% fat, not concentrated or sweetened	5,551,390	0.3
46	17019900	Cane or beet sugar, in solid form, NES	5,550,705	0.3
47	48191000	Cartons, boxes and cases, of corrugated paper or paperboard	5,525,591	0.3
48	84749000	Parts of machinery of 84.74	5,403,662	0.3
49	87032290	Other vehicles of cylinder capacity exceeding 1000cmsq but not exceeding 1500cmsq, NES	5,354,499	0.3
50	84212100	Machinery and apparatus for filtering/purifying water	5,142,887	0.3
51	87042290	Other vehicles for goods with GVM exceeding 5t but not exceeding 20t, NES	4,953,699	0.3
52	85251090	Other transmission apparatus, NES.	4,601,343	0.3
53	70179090	Other laboratory ,hygienic or pharmaceutical glassware of sub-heading 7017.90	4,373,773	0.2

Table: 4.1 (b) Top 100 Imported Commodities – April 2007 (PULA) Continued;

Rank	Code	Description	Value	% Distribution
54	10070000	Grain sorghum	4,323,196	0.2
55	10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice	4,276,597	0.2
56	31028000	Mixtures of urea and ammonium nitrate in aqueous or ammoniacal solution	4,260,371	0.2
57	22083010	IN CONTAINERS HOLDING 2 L OR LESS BEING WHISKIES	4,091,194	0.2
58	15121100	Crude sunflower-seed and safflower oil	4,072,559	0.2
59	74130030	CABLES, CORDAGE AND ROPE;ELECTIC WIRE	4,009,377	0.2
60	07019000	Other potatoes, fresh or chilled	3,974,746	0.2
61	73269090	other articles of iron or steel wire not elsewhere specified	3,910,027	0.2
62	94035000	Wooden furniture of a kind used in the bedroom (excl. seats)	3,894,523	0.2
63	17011100	Raw cane sugar, in solid form	3,832,569	0.2
64	36020000	Prepared explosives, (excl. propellent powders)	3,831,085	0.2
65	84279090	other trucks NES.	3,809,283	0.2
66	84139100	Parts of pumps for liquids	3,754,985	0.2
67	10061000	Rice in the husk (paddy or rough)	3,738,684	0.2
68	99990100	new personal imports	3,599,518	0.2
69	90189000	Instruments and apparatus, NES, for medical, surgical... sciences	3,570,562	0.2
70	72149900	Iron/steel bars and rods, hot-rolled, hot-drawn or hot extruded, NES	3,551,469	0.2
71	27101101	Aviation spirits as defined in additional note 1(a)	3,482,174	0.2
72	84748000	Other machinery for earth, stone, ores, etc, NES	3,449,835	0.2
73	10019000	Spelt, common wheat and meslin	3,421,964	0.2
74	21039090	other sauces & preparations thereof not elsewhere specified	3,310,482	0.2
75	85281230	Reception apparatus, incorporating or designed to incorporate cathode ray	3,249,433	0.2
76	84714100	Non-portable ADP machines, comprising at least CPU & input/output unit in same housing	3,221,746	0.2
77	09109900	Other spices, NES	3,205,653	0.2
78	38220000	Diagnostic or laboratory .reagents on a backing; prepared diagnostic or laboratory .reagents excl. Ch 30	3,182,746	0.2
79	85441100	Winding wire of copper	3,134,534	0.2
80	94036000	Wooden furniture, NES	3,108,352	0.2
81	84713000	Portable digital ADP machines, weight <= 10 kg, comprising at least CPU, keyboard & display	3,048,043	0.2
82	49019900	Printed books, brochures, leaflets and similar printed matter, NES	3,001,792	0.2
83	22030000	Beer made from malt	2,984,220	0.2
84	87079000	Bodies (incl. cabs) for the motor vehicles, NES	2,937,102	0.2
85	33059000	Preparations for use on the hair, NES	2,934,006	0.2
86	84181000	Combined refrigerators-freezers, with separate external doors	2,873,712	0.2
87	48181000	Toilet paper	2,863,665	0.2
88	99990000	used personal effects	2,847,641	0.2
89	15122990	other sunflower, safflower, cotton-seed oil & fractions not chemically refined NES	2,837,117	0.2
90	73083090	other doors, windows, frames & thresholds for doors not elsewhere specified	2,834,986	0.2
91	39233000	Carboys, bottles, flasks and similar articles of plastics	2,812,031	0.2
92	39241000	Tableware and kitchenware of plastics	2,801,425	0.2
93	33072000	Personal deodorants and antiperspirants	2,771,567	0.2
94	84719000	Magnetic or optical readers; machines for transcribing data onto data media, NES	2,728,117	0.2
95	94041000	Mattress supports	2,722,339	0.2
96	87054000	Concrete-mixer lorries	2,706,275	0.2
97	48184000	Sanitary towels and tampons, napkins and napkin liners for babies, etc	2,695,670	0.1
98	40119420	other tyres for construction/industrial machine, of rim > 61cm NES	2,646,404	0.1
99	17049000	Sugar confectionery (incl. white chocolate), not containing cocoa, NES	2,632,160	0.1
100	38249090	other chemical products and mixtures NES or included	2,582,302	0.1
Sub Total			1,061,046,860	58.9
Other Goods			740,414,668	41.1
Total Imports			1,801,461,528	100.0

NES = Not Else where Specified

Results are based on Data from automated borders only & constitute 90 % of total monthly trade

Table: 4.2 (a) Top 50 Exported Commodities – March 2007 (PULA)

Rank	Code	Description	Value	% Distribution
1	71023100	Non-industrial diamonds not worked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	1,759,108,812	57.4
2	75011000	Nickel mattes	675,645,608	22.1
3	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	77,803,619	2.5
4	61109000	Of other textiles materials	57,269,306	1.9
5	61102020	Jerseys, pullovers, slipovers, cardigans, bed jackets and jumpers	52,654,178	1.7
6	61069000	Women's or girls' blouses, etc, of other textiles, knitted or crocheted; NES	51,021,510	1.7
7	62069000	Women's or girls' blouses, shirts, etc, of other textiles, NES	40,528,382	1.3
8	02013000	Fresh or chilled boneless bovine meat	39,903,179	1.3
9	02023000	Frozen boneless bovine meat	35,016,551	1.1
10	61091000	T-shirts, singlets and other vests, of cotton, knitted or crocheted	26,243,362	0.9
11	71022900	Industrial diamonds, not mounted or set, NES	18,051,571	0.6
12	61099000	T-shirts, singlets, etc, of other textiles, knitted or crocheted; NES	14,920,813	0.5
13	71023900	Non-industrial diamonds, not mounted or set, NES	14,543,926	0.5
14	61034900	Men's or boys' trousers, etc, of other textiles, knitted or crocheted	11,848,207	0.4
15	61103020	Jerseys, pullovers, slipovers, cardigans, bed jackets and jumpers	9,264,354	0.3
16	61061000	Women's or girls' blouses, etc, of cotton, knitted or crocheted	8,245,636	0.3
17	61046900	Women's or girls' trousers, etc, of other textile, knitted or crocheted	7,336,069	0.2
18	74011000	Copper mattes	5,615,127	0.2
19	71022100	Industrial diamonds not worked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	5,239,125	0.2
20	61033900	Men's or boys' jackets... of other textiles, knitted or crocheted; NES	4,872,885	0.2
21	17041000	Chewing gum	4,823,199	0.2
22	39172990	Other tubes, pipes, hoses & fittings of other plastic not elsewhere specified	4,742,815	0.2
23	61109020	Jerseys, pullovers, slip-overs, cardigans, twin-sets, bed jackets and jumpers	4,371,465	0.1
24	99990000	Used personal effects	4,202,741	0.1
25	62045900	Skirts and divided skirts of other textiles, NES	4,009,607	0.1
26	61045900	Skirts and divided skirts of other textiles, knitted or crocheted; NES	3,925,948	0.1
27	87032390	Other vehicles of a cylinder capacity exceeding 1500cmcb but not exceeding 3000cmcb NES	3,659,485	0.1
28	72286000	Bars and rods of alloy steel, NES	3,358,748	0.1
29	63026090	Toilet linen	3,312,661	0.1
30	85369090	Other elec. apparatus for switching or protecting elec. Circuits NES.	3,238,286	0.1
31	72043000	Waste and scrap of tinned iron or steel	3,135,373	0.1
32	72042900	Waste and scrap of alloy steel (excl. stainless)	2,709,141	0.1
33	36020000	Prepared explosives, (excl. propellant powders)	2,586,835	0.1
34	48194000	Sacks and bags, including cones of paper, paperboard, NES	2,439,459	0.1
35	85071000	Lead-acid accumulators for starting piston engines	2,318,766	0.1
36	19053100	sweet biscuits	2,233,624	0.1
37	61059000	Men's or boys' shirts of other textiles, knitted or crocheted; NES	2,157,156	0.1
38	61046200	Women's or girls' trousers, etc, of cotton, knitted or crocheted	2,046,457	0.1
39	88023000	Aeroplanes and other aircraft, of an unladen weight 2000-15000kg; NES	2,044,026	0.1
40	41039000	Other hides and skins, fresh or preserved, not tanned, NES	1,882,815	0.1
41	28362000	Disodium carbonate	1,820,085	0.1
42	41012900	Hides and skins of bovine animals, fresh or wet-salted, NES	1,774,830	0.1
43	39011000	Polyethylene having a specific gravity <0.94, in primary forms	1,732,571	0.1
44	25010000	Salt and pure sodium chloride, whether or not containing anti-caking agents...; sea water	1,719,414	0.1
45	62034200	Men's or boys' trousers, breeches, etc, of cotton	1,594,779	0.1
46	27011200	Bituminous coal, not agglomerated	1,339,078	0.0
47	87043190	Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods with G.V.M. not exceeding 5t NES	1,232,462	0.0
48	22029090	Other non-alcoholic beverages not elsewhere specified	1,178,541	0.0
49	68021000	Tiles, cubes...; artificially coloured granules...; for mosaics	1,162,743	0.0
50	61019000	Men or boy's overcoats, capes, cloaks, wind-cheaters etc. of other textile materials	1,136,554	0.0
Sub Total			2,993,021,884	97.7
			70,402,537	2.3
Total Exports			3,063,424,421	100.0

NES = Not Else where Specified; * Results are based on Data from automated borders only & constitute 90 % of total monthly trade

Table: 4.2 (b) Top 50 Exported Commodities – April 2007 (PULA)

Rank	Code	Description	Value	% Distribution
1	71023100	Non-industrial diamonds not worked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	1,135,847,459	56.6
2	75011000	Nickel mattes	518,695,632	25.9
3	26030000	Copper ores and concentrates	78,969,939	3.9
4	02013000	Fresh or chilled boneless bovine meat	38,898,475	1.9
5	02023000	Frozen boneless bovine meat	35,139,374	1.8
6	61109000	Of other textiles materials	19,675,327	1.0
7	30023000	Vaccines for veterinary medicine	16,166,853	0.8
8	71023900	Non-industrial diamonds, not mounted or set, NES	13,218,541	0.7
9	61091000	T-shirts, singlets and other vests, of cotton, knitted or crocheted	8,519,111	0.4
10	61034900	Men's or boys' trousers, etc, of other textiles, knitted or crocheted	6,702,988	0.3
11	71022900	Industrial diamonds, not mounted or set, NES	6,634,490	0.3
12	17041000	Chewing gum	6,021,139	0.3
13	61046900	Women's or girls' trousers, etc, of other textile, knitted or crocheted	5,970,335	0.3
14	99990000	used personal effects	4,622,145	0.2
15	62046900	Women's or girls' trousers, breeches, etc, of other textiles, NES	4,357,374	0.2
16	61099000	T-shirts, singlets, etc, of other textiles, knitted or crocheted, NES	4,093,392	0.2
17	71022100	Industrial diamonds not worked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted	4,023,953	0.2
18	72042900	Waste and scrap of alloy steel (excl. stainless)	3,579,814	0.2
19	48194000	Sacks and bags, including cones of paper, paperboard, NES	3,315,556	0.2
20	39172990	Other tubes, pipes, hoses & fittings of other plastic not elsewhere specified	2,846,281	0.1
21	63026090	Toilet linen	2,690,286	0.1
22	62034900	Men's or boys' trousers, breeches of other textiles, NES	2,228,118	0.1
23	72043000	Waste and scrap of tinned iron or steel	2,169,894	0.1
24	36020000	Prepared explosives, (excl. propellant powders)	1,971,608	0.1
25	87032390	Other vehicles of a cylinder capacity exceeding 1500cmcb but not exceeding 3000cmcb NES	1,948,835	0.1
26	41012900	Hides and skins of bovine animals, fresh or wet-salted, NES	1,884,676	0.1
27	19053100	sweet biscuits	1,819,818	0.1
28	39011000	Polyethylene having a specific gravity <0.94, in primary forms	1,695,933	0.1
29	25010000	Salt and pure sodium chloride, whether or not containing anti-caking agents...; sea water	1,630,556	0.1
30	41039000	Other hides and skins, fresh or preserved, not tanned, NES	1,596,937	0.1
31	85369090	Other electrical apparatus for switching or protecting elec. Circuits; NES.	1,553,239	0.1
32	27011200	Bituminous coal, not agglomerated	1,484,054	0.1
33	84804100	Injection or compression type moulds for metal or metal carbides	1,441,765	0.1
34	84834000	Gears and gearing; ball or roller screws; gear boxes and other speed changers...	1,361,368	0.1
35	62059000	Men's or boys' shirts of other textiles, NES	1,352,150	0.1
36	23023000	Brans, sharps and other residues of wheat	1,339,713	0.1
37	72286000	Bars and rods of alloy steel, NES	1,230,891	0.1
38	39232900	Sacks and bags (incl. cones) of other plastics (excl. ethylene)	1,194,231	0.1
39	28362000	Disodium carbonate	1,077,648	0.1
40	84249000	Parts of machinery and apparatus of 8424.10 to 8424.89	1,047,319	0.1
41	48010090	other newsprint,in rolls or sheets NES.	1,024,365	0.1
42	39172920	Tubes, pipes & hoses rigid; of other plastics; of silicones, seamless, without fittings	1,011,629	0.1
43	16025030	Tripe	941,618	0.0
44	63014000	Blankets (excl. electric blankets), etc, of synthetic fibres	934,379	0.0
45	85071000	Lead-acid accumulators for starting piston engines	858,729	0.0
46	27101103	Petrol ,unleaded,	831,307	0.0
47	61031900	Men's or boys' suits of other textiles, knitted or crocheted; NES	817,130	0.0
48	84452000	Textile spinning machines	793,051	0.0
49	41011000	Whole hides and skins of bovine animals, =<8kg dried..., etc	741,992	0.0
50	87012020	Tractors of a vehicle mass exceeding 1600kg	735,160	0.0
Sub Total			1,958,706,577	97.7
			46,462,072	2.3
Total Exports			2,005,168,649	100.0

NES = Not Else where Specified; Results are based on Data from automated borders only & constitute 90 % of total monthly trade

Table 5: Exports and Imports March 2007 and April 2007 (PULA)

Chapter	Description	Total Exports		Imports	
		March	April	March	April
01	Live animals.	158,235	108,275	2,244,719	2,768,913
02	Meat and edible meat offal.	75,298,500	74,040,414	1,243,200	1,021,104
03	Fish and crustaceans, mollusc and other aquatic invertebrates	3,675	0	1,105,278	1,131,678
04	Dairy produce; bird's eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified	63,642	11,184	22,456,665	17,321,339
05	Products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included	1,425	31,432	298,568	153,437
06	Live trees and other plants, bulbs, roots, and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage	3,295	8,248	732,057	430,119
07	Edible vegetables and certain root and tubers	280,467	0	16,573,214	16,510,108
07	Edible fruits and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melon	4,529	14,555	7,876,037	6,460,718
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	6,355	3,779	8,429,052	8,340,271
10	Cereals	168,511	193,424	18,212,086	19,745,287
11	Products of the milling industry; malt; starches; inulin; wheat gluten	239,293	801,467	7,119,196	5,959,340
12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit; industrial or medicinal plants	85,056	40,373	2,255,797	1,348,894
13	Lac; gums, resins and other vegetable saps and extracts	0	0	19,963	5,748
14	Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products not elsewhere specified or included	0	0	12,007	289
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats	636,294	522,570	15,531,381	20,441,141
16	Preparations of meats, of fish or of crustaceans, mollusc or other aquatic invertebrates	910,173	1,353,772	4,096,471	5,306,564
17	Sugar and sugar confectionery	5,531,845	6,173,433	13,027,435	16,455,765
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	3,514	8,748	1,934,059	2,381,376
19	Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastrycooks' products	3,900,200	2,323,121	11,269,597	8,952,879
20	Preparation of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants	55,181	84,760	22,670,433	17,815,567
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	24,913	28,236	18,245,839	16,314,908
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	1,360,668	1,097,401	27,691,334	23,133,378
23	Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal fodder.	1,308,427	1,548,934	11,468,622	12,881,672
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	4,322	0	8,674,189	11,397,470
25	Salt, sulphur; earths and stone; plastering materials, lime and cement	1,756,887	1,636,304	28,024,234	20,592,978
26	Ores, slag and ash	77,814,380	78,971,266	17,361,759	873,340
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral waxes	2,886,907	2,628,067	264,835,597	261,389,074
28	Inorganic chemicals; organic or inorganic compounds of precious metals, of rare earth metals	1,822,281	1,178,434	4,098,226	5,297,733
29	Organic chemicals	140,196	26,702	7,158,911	3,991,825
30	Pharmaceutical products	258,248	16,325,626	56,023,522	62,880,538
31	Fertilisers	484	14	4,981,601	5,384,297
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts; tannin and their derivatives; dyes pigments and other colouring matter;	247,655	116,283	12,890,282	9,238,318
33	Essential oils and resinoid; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet preparations	229,607	43,792	24,081,709	23,085,063
34	Soap, organic surface active agents, washing and lubricating prep., artificial or prepared waxes, etc	320,466	2,676	24,814,647	22,454,420
35	Albuminoidal substances; modified starches; glues; enzymes	1,047	2,268	3,485,571	1,363,818
36	Explosives; pyrotechnic products; matches; pyrophoric alloys; certain combustible preparations	2,586,842	1,974,602	5,117,483	5,165,124
27	Photographic and cinematographic goods	9,334	3,864	1,357,497	960,444
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	110,383	93,991	15,909,941	12,087,591
39	Plastics and articles thereof	12,449,228	8,726,818	46,095,313	48,620,311
40	Rubber and articles thereof	80,933	148,141	46,912,219	36,185,272
41	Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather	4,854,143	4,560,126	71,982	37,328
42	Articles of leather; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers	32,053	16,513	3,598,651	2,399,338
43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	1,232	0	4,209	17,131
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	536,578	89,911	25,407,843	23,007,315
45	Cork and articles of cork	16	0	233,011	1,945
46	Manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting materials; basketware and wickerwork	965	1,949	161,693	67,489
47	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or paperboard	596,009	544,258	6,215	190
48	Paper or paperboard; articles of paper pulp, of paper or paperboard	3,455,074	5,266,347	34,826,885	29,424,768
49	Printed books, newspapers, pictures and other products of the printing industry	530,254	363,633	11,969,225	6,197,097
50	Silk	0	0	35,783	0
51	Wool, fine and coarse animal hair, horsehair yarn and woven fabric			1,585,848	1,214,378
52	Cotton	89	299,510	2,947,428	2,686,435
53	Other vegetable textile fibres; paper yarn and woven fabrics of paper yarn	5,133	7,134	31,945	3,812

Table 5: Exports and Imports March 2007 and April 2007 (PULA) Continued;

Chapter	Description	Total Exports		Imports	
		March	April	March	April
54	Man-made filaments	8,069	4,284	980,456	2,357,382
56	Man-made staple fibres	864,273	491,259	6,461,944	3,992,373
56	Wadding felts and non wovens; special yarn; twine, cordage, ropes and cables	22,875	182,256	2,181,484	2,628,200
57	Carpets and other textile floor covering	905,946	482,141	1,429,638	2,633,253
58	Special woven fabrics; tufted textile fabrics; lace; tapestries; trimmings; embroidery	194,234	231,312	2,651,131	1,434,792
59	Impregnated, coated, covered or laminated textile fabrics & textile articles	237,311	155,675	1,843,036	2,289,222
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	181,466	90,198	430,870	1,146,587
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	264,963,236	50,789,174	27,665,996	20,940,018
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted	50,759,484	10,160,234	21,051,932	20,000,782
63	Other made up textile articles; sets; worn clothing and worn textile articles; rags	5,435,063	3,866,575	11,694,959	11,005,723
64	Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	626,828	738,163	17,618,033	13,685,554
65	Headgear and parts thereof	363,059	212,458	1,009,721	1,144,655
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat sticks, whips, riding crops and parts	568	4,208	181,760	140,165
67	Prepared feathers and down and articles made of feathers or of down; artificial flowers; etc.	568	0	938,743	395,295
68	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials	1,802,211	1,176,001	9,705,702	7,802,275
69	Ceramic products	50,720	31,170	7,974,020	7,641,242
70	Glass and glassware	158,675	71,386	5,826,685	9,873,605
71	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals etc.	1,797,255,379	1,159,893,874	35,255,828	122,967,231
72	Iron and steel	10,257,023	8,604,269	20,176,087	21,425,921
73	Articles of iron or steel	3,015,474	3,344,879	81,646,693	76,271,934
74	Copper and articles thereof	6,599,018	728,398	4,779,462	6,595,635
75	Nickel and articles thereof	675,645,608	518,695,632	123,355	17,165
76	Aluminum and articles thereof	308,399	196,590	6,040,537	4,712,110
78	Lead and articles thereof	303,178	325,227	1,115,061	293,038
79	Zinc and articles thereof	0	0	2,546,001	2,531,330
80	Tin and articles thereof	180	0	24,429	7,247
81	Other base metals; cements; articles thereof	0	0	83,717	55,501
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal;	733,731	357,653	10,101,042	9,114,917
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	470,715	541,775	12,119,321	8,641,350
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	9,404,569	11,665,977	185,097,644	231,851,430
85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof	8,679,107	5,483,824	151,531,525	137,407,675
86	Railway or tramway locomotives, rolling-stock and parts thereof	167,803	117,103	1,920,323	2,329,641
87	Vehicles others than railway or tramway rolling-stock, and parts and accessories	12,273,400	8,762,333	198,228,364	206,944,423
88	Aircraft, spacecraft and parts thereof	2,793,138	304,050	7,327,360	1,723,271
89	Ships, boats and floating structures	1,183,487	33,113	5,823	11,979
90	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; parts and accessories thereof	1,452,611	508,364	25,319,481	18,750,078
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof	11,682	55,709	500,463	321,513
92	Musical instruments; parts and accessories of such articles	234	0	822,086	189,907
93	Arms and ammunition; parts and accessories thereof	12,638	3,328	613,185	551,136
94	Furniture; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishing etc	1,224,908	603,961	32,909,583	25,656,280
95	Toys, games and sports requisites; parts and accessories thereof	40,398	9,938	2,928,586	2,109,628
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	28,267	21,704	5,689,605	4,368,775
97	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	0	28,754	54,237	106,600
98	Original equipment components	0	0	0	834
99	Personal effects, etc.	4,213,944	4,773,345	6,523,526	6,488,519
Total		3,063,424,421	2,005,168,649	1,780,345,863	1,801,461,528

Data based on computerized border posts only (constituting at least 90 %) and is as a result subject to change.

6.0 Technical Note

Botswana trade statistics are compiled by External Trade Statistics unit, being a part of Central Statistics Office (CSO). External trade statistics here refer to trade in goods only. Trade statistics in services are not compiled by this unit. The primary source of external trade data is Customs & Excise Division which is part of Botswana Unified Revenue Service. Customs is responsible for data capture for both computerized and manual borders and the monthly raw data files are transferred to CSO in electronic form for data processing.

Botswana practices special type of trade where only goods that have been cleared for local consumption in the case of imports, and those that are exported permanently from external trade statistics are compiled. This means that only goods that have been imported into Botswana and have been cleared by customs to be consumed in Botswana are recorded for external trade statistics as imports. In the case of exports, only goods that have been cleared by customs as being exported for consumption by the outside world are recorded as exports.

The special trade type system is divided into two types; the *strict special trade type* and the *relaxed special trade type*. With the strict special trade type goods imported or exported for inward or outward customs processing do not form part of international merchandise trade; while with the relaxed special trade type these goods form part of external trade statistics. These are goods that are either exported or imported for further processing and will either return to the country of origin as exports or be exported to a different country in a different or altered form.

Up to the *August/September Monthly Trade Digest*, the Botswana External Trade database was set on the strict special trade type. The system was revised during November 2006 to the relaxed special trade type, to take into account goods exported or imported for further processing. The revision affects data from May 2002 onwards.

However, the difference in the values between the database set on the strict special trade type and the one set on the relaxed special trade type is less than five (5) percent. The difference could be expected to be on the upward direction BUT in some cases this is compounded by the normal revision through further data editing.

Imports are valued CIF (cost, insurance & freight) while exports are valued FOB (free on board). The value of imports includes transport and insurance costs to the importing country. Exports value consists only of the value of goods as they leave the exporting country.

6.1 Definitions used

Domestic exports: Goods of Botswana origin being exported permanently out of Botswana for consumption in the outside world

Re- Exports: Goods that were initially imported into Botswana for local consumption BUT are now being exported permanently out of Botswana (for various reasons best known to individual exporters) for consumption in the outside world

Imports: Goods imported from the outside world, into Botswana for local consumption.

Trade Balance (Net Export): This refers to the total value of goods exported minus the total value of goods imported by a given economy in a given period of time. A positive trade balance (trade surplus) indicates that a country is exporting more in value terms than it is importing. A negative trade balance (trade deficit) indicates that the country imports more as compared to what it sells as exports.