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## **Export Oriented Enterprises (EOE) 4th Quarter 2023**

### **1. Introduction**

This issue of “Economic and Social Indicators” (ESI) presents the results of the Quarterly Survey of Employment among Export Oriented Enterprises (EOE), conducted by Statistics Mauritius at the end of December 2023.

It also includes provisional figures on EOE imports and exports for the fourth quarter of 2023 as well as figures for the years 2022 and 2023. Table 1 shows the main indicators of the EOE sector for the period 2015 to 2023.

EOE consist of enterprises formerly holding an EPZ certificate as well as enterprises manufacturing goods for export and holding a registration certificate issued by the ex-Board of Investment.

### **2. Employment**

#### **2.1 Employment – 4th Quarter 2023**

Compared to the third quarter of 2023, employment in EOE decreased by 680 (-2.0%) from 33,973 to 33,293. Male employment dropped by 97 from 18,487 to 18,390 and female employment fell by 583 from 15,486 to 14,903 (Table 2).

The number of Mauritians employed in the EOE sector decreased by 464 (-2.4%) (-54 males and -410 females) from 19,012 to 18,548 and the number of foreign workers decreased by 216 (-1.4%) (-43 males and -173 females) from 14,961 at the end of September 2023 to 14,745 at the end of December 2023 (Table 2).

The decrease of 680 in employment in the EOE sector during the fourth quarter of 2023 is the net result of 953 jobs lost and 273 jobs created. The job losses were due to some contraction of workforce in existing enterprises whilst jobs created were due to expansion in existing enterprises.

#### **2.2 Evolution of employment from December 2022 to December 2023**

From December 2022 to December 2023, total employment in EOE decreased by 2,816 (-7.8%) from 36,109 to 33,293. The number of Mauritian workers decreased by 1,300 (-502 males and -798 females). Employment of foreign workers decreased by 1,516 (-643 males and -873 females) (Tables 2 and 5).

The decrease of 2,816 in employment in the EOE sector from December 2022 to December 2023 is due to the combined effect of 3,345 job losses and 529 jobs created in existing enterprises.

Details of employment by product group and sex are given in Table 3 and changes in employment by product group in Table 4.

### **3. Exports and Imports**

Statistics on imports and exports are compiled from declarations lodged at Customs by importers and exporters. Some of these declarations are, at times, revised at a later period and corrections made accordingly on the computerised database of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) - Customs Department. Thus, while figures for 2022 are final, those for 2023 are subject to revision as and when the MRA - Customs Department submits latest amendments to Statistics Mauritius.

### 3.1 Exports and Imports – 4th Quarter 2023

#### 3.1.1 Exports (f.o.b)

Provisional figures show that EOE exports during the fourth quarter of 2023 amounted to R 10,737 million, that is, R 1,898 million (-15.0%) lower compared to the third quarter of 2023 (Table 8). That was mainly the result of decreases observed in exports of “Articles of apparel and clothing” (-R 606 million or -16.4%), “Live animals other than fish” (-R 591 million or -41.4%), “Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones” (-R 366 million or -32.8%), and “Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles” (-R 153 million or -11.9%).

Compared to the corresponding quarter of 2022, EOE exports decreased by R 2,230 million (-17.2%).

Details on EOE exports by section are given in Table 9.

South Africa, United Kingdom (UK), United States of America (USA) and France are the principal EOE markets in the fourth quarter of 2023, together accounting for R 5,690 million (53.0%) of total EOE exports (Table 11). The table below highlights the changes in our main EOE exports markets.

#### EOE exports by main country of destination

(R million)

Country of destination	Exports Q4 2023	Change on	
		Q3 2023	Q4 2022
South Africa	1,883	-297	-189
United Kingdom	1,414	-264	-84
USA	1,254	-771	46
France	1,139	-72	-203

Compared to the previous quarter, EOE exports to our main markets showed decreases as follows: United states of America (USA) (-38.1%), United Kingdom (-15.7%), South Africa (-13.6%) and France (-5.9%).

When compared to the fourth quarter of 2022, EOE exports towards France, South Africa and United Kingdom showed decreases of 15.1%, 9.1% and 5.6% respectively whilst USA registered an increase of 3.8%.

Further details are given in Table 11.

### 3.1.2 Imports (c.i.f)

EOE imports during the fourth quarter of 2023 were estimated at R 6,368 million, representing an increase of R 91 million (+1.4%) compared to the third quarter of 2023. This increase is due to higher imports of “Raw materials” by R 238 million (+4.1%) offset by lower imports of “Machinery” by R 147 million (-34.3%) (Table 8).

Compared to the corresponding quarter of 2022, imports decreased by R 2,600 million (-29.0%), mainly due to decreases in imports of “Cotton” by R 492 million (-53.6%), “Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones” by R 437 million (-36.1%), “Fish and fish preparations” by R 382 million (-15.9%), “Textile yarn and fabrics” by R 321 million (-24.8%) and “Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares” by R 216 million (-96.9%).

Details on EOE imports by section are given in Table 10.

### 3.1.3 Net exports

Net exports, i.e. exports minus imports, amounted to R 4,369 million in the fourth quarter of 2023 and its ratio to total exports worked out to 40.7% compared to 30.8% in the corresponding quarter of 2022 (Table 8).

It is to be noted that the above exports and imports figures do not include transactions of the EOE with the Freeport. EOE sales to the Freeport, considered as local sales, were valued at R 3 million in the fourth quarter of 2023 compared to R 48 million in the fourth quarter of 2022. These sales are included in exports of Freeport, as and when the goods leave the country.

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**Table 1 - Main economic indicators, EOE Sector, 2015 - 2023**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 <sup>1</sup>
<b>1. No of enterprises as at December</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>231</b>
- New	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Closures	17	4	2	17	24	4	2	1	1
<b>2. Employment as at December</b>	<b>53,601</b>	<b>52,602</b>	<b>52,172</b>	<b>49,866</b>	<b>44,160</b>	<b>36,736</b>	<b>35,024</b>	<b>36,109</b>	<b>33,293</b>
- Net change	-1,212	-999	-430	-2,306	-5,706	-7,424	-1,712	+1085	-2,816
- Growth rate (%)	-2.2	-1.9	-0.8	-4.4	-11.4	-16.8	-4.7	+3.1	-7.8
<b>3. Exports (f.o.b, R million) (excluding sales to Freeport)</b>	<b>48,487</b>	<b>44,422</b>	<b>43,027</b>	<b>43,311</b>	<b>42,319</b>	<b>37,289</b>	<b>42,657</b>	<b>49,918</b>	<b>47,356</b>
<b>4. Imports (c.i.f, R million):</b>	<b>27,312</b>	<b>25,638</b>	<b>27,094</b>	<b>25,929</b>	<b>24,645</b>	<b>19,629</b>	<b>25,673</b>	<b>33,466</b>	<b>26,810</b>
- Raw materials	25,835	24,254	25,891	24,596	23,641	18,786	24,684	32,147	25,450
- Machinery & spare parts	1,477	1,384	1,203	1,333	1,004	843	989	1,319	1,360
<b>5. Net exports (R million)</b>	<b>21,175</b>	<b>18,784</b>	<b>15,933</b>	<b>17,382</b>	<b>17,674</b>	<b>17,660</b>	<b>16,984</b>	<b>16,452</b>	<b>20,546</b>
<b>6. Net exports to Exports (%)</b>	<b>43.7</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>37.0</b>	<b>40.1</b>	<b>41.8</b>	<b>47.4</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>33.0</b>	<b>43.4</b>
<b>7. Value added at basic prices (R million)</b>	<b>22,118</b>	<b>21,803</b>	<b>22,105</b>	<b>22,406</b>	<b>18,711</b>	<b>16,039</b>	<b>18,430</b>	<b>21,306</b>	<b>21,357</b>
- Share in Manufacturing (%)	40.4	39.3	39.5	39.6	34.7	33.0	32.9	31.2	29.1
- Share in Gross value added (%)	6.0	5.5	5.4	5.1	4.2	4.1	4.4	4.3	3.8
<b>8. Annual Real Growth rate of Value added (%)</b>	<b>-3.1</b>	<b>-5.1</b>	<b>+0.3</b>	<b>-4.5</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>-21.9</b>	<b>+6.5</b>	<b>+11.8</b>	<b>-10.5</b>
<b>9. Investment (R million)</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>1,354</b>	<b>1,091</b>	<b>1,104</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>848</b>	<b>1,184</b>	<b>1,250</b>
- of which Machinery	636	850	745	770	625	610	703	1,022	1,055

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

**Table 2 - Employment by size of enterprise and sex, EOE Sector, December 2022 - December 2023**

Category	Number of enterprises as at			Employment								
				December 2022			September 2023			December 2023		
	December 2022	September 2023	December 2023	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes
Enterprises with less than 10 employees	65	64	65	103	75	178	102	76	178	102	77	179
Enterprises with 10 or more employees	167	167	166	19,400	16,346	35,746	18,352	15,216	33,568	18,246	14,653	32,899
Outworkers	Napp	Napp	Napp	32	153	185	33	194	227	42	173	215
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>19,535</b>	<b>16,574</b>	<b>36,109</b>	<b>18,487</b>	<b>15,486</b>	<b>33,973</b>	<b>18,390</b>	<b>14,903</b>	<b>33,293</b>
<i>Mauritian</i>	<i>Napp</i>	<i>Napp</i>	<i>Napp</i>	<i>8,162</i>	<i>11,686</i>	<i>19,848</i>	<i>7,714</i>	<i>11,298</i>	<i>19,012</i>	<i>7,660</i>	<i>10,888</i>	<i>18,548</i>
<i>Foreign workers (Expatriates)</i>	<i>Napp</i>	<i>Napp</i>	<i>Napp</i>	<i>11,373</i>	<i>4,888</i>	<i>16,261</i>	<i>10,773</i>	<i>4,188</i>	<i>14,961</i>	<i>10,730</i>	<i>4,015</i>	<i>14,745</i>

*Napp - Not applicable*

**Table 3 - Employment by product group and sex, EOE Sector, December 2022 - December 2023**

Product group	December 2022				December 2023			
	Number of enterprises	Employment			Number of enterprises	Employment		
		Male	Female	Both sexes		Male	Female	Both sexes
1. Food	16	1,885	2,949	4,834	16	1,785	2,927	4,712
2. Flowers	2	20	24	44	1	18	20	38
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	20	2,271	344	2,615	20	2,174	313	2,487
4. Wearing apparel:	83	11,337	8,563	19,900	83	10,215	7,118	17,333
<i>Pullovers</i>	12	425	201	626	12	386	213	599
<i>Other garments</i>	71	10,912	8,362	19,274	71	9,829	6,905	16,734
5. Leather products and footwear	5	146	431	577	5	142	429	571
6. Wood and paper products	10	237	283	520	10	234	312	546
7. Optical goods	2	197	201	398	2	206	203	409
8. Electronic watches and clocks	4	265	309	574	4	252	290	542
9. Electric and electronic products	5	49	113	162	5	63	99	162
10. Jewellery and related articles	12	317	521	838	12	250	369	619
11. Toys and carnival articles	2	14	152	166	2	12	146	158
12. Other products	71	2,797	2,684	5,481	71	3,039	2,677	5,716
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>19,535</b>	<b>16,574</b>	<b>36,109</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>18,390</b>	<b>14,903</b>	<b>33,293</b>



**Table 4 - Net change in employment by product group, EOE Sector, December 2022 - December 2023**

Product group	Employment			Net change from	
	Dec. 22	Sep. 23	Dec. 23	Sep. 23 to Dec. 23	Dec. 22 to Dec. 23
1. Food	4,834	4,722	4,712	-10	-122
2. Flowers	44	40	38	-2	-6
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	2,615	2,486	2,487	1	-128
4. Wearing apparel:	19,900	17,901	17,333	-568	-2,567
<i>Pullovers</i>	626	597	599	2	-27
<i>Other garments</i>	19,274	17,304	16,734	-570	-2,540
5. Leather products and footwear	577	582	571	-11	-6
6. Wood and paper products	520	544	546	2	26
7. Optical goods	398	411	409	-2	11
8. Electronic watches and clocks	574	559	542	-17	-32
9. Electric and electronic products	162	173	162	-11	0
10. Jewellery and related articles	838	624	619	-5	-219
11. Toys and carnival articles	166	160	158	-2	-8
12. Other products	5,481	5,771	5,716	-55	235
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36,109</b>	<b>33,973</b>	<b>33,293</b>	<b>-680</b>	<b>-2,816</b>

**Table 5 - Expatriate employment by product group and sex, EOE Sector, December 2022 - December 2023**

Product group	Employment					
	December 2022			December 2023		
	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes
1. Food	751	1,168	1,919	802	1,281	2,083
2. Flowers	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,681	15	1,696	1,614	7	1,621
4. Wearing apparel:	8,381	3,630	12,011	7,674	2,655	10,329
<i>Pullovers</i>	272	6	278	250	6	256
<i>Other garments</i>	8,109	3,624	11,733	7,424	2,649	10,073
5. Leather products and footwear	38	6	44	41	6	47
6. Wood and paper products	14	0	14	15	0	15
7. Optical goods	92	0	92	99	0	99
8. Electronic watches and clocks	64	3	67	62	1	63
9. Electric and electronic products	8	0	8	14	0	14
10. Jewellery and related articles	54	2	56	55	5	60
11. Toys and carnival articles	0	0	0	0	0	0
12. Other	290	64	354	354	60	414
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,373</b>	<b>4,888</b>	<b>16,261</b>	<b>10,730</b>	<b>4,015</b>	<b>14,745</b>

**Table 6 - Distribution of EOE and employment by employment size as at December 2023**

Employment size	Enterprise			Employment		
	Number	Percentage	Cum. %	Number	Percentage	Cum. %
Under 10	65	28	28	193	1	1
10 - 50	91	39	67	2,447	7	8
51 - 100	31	13	80	2,259	7	15
101 - 300	18	8	88	3,396	10	25
301 - 500	10	4	92	3,820	11	36
501 - 1000	8	4	96	5,199	16	52
More than 1000	8	4	100	15,979	48	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>33,293</b>	<b>100</b>	

**Table 7 - Geographical distribution of EOE establishments <sup>1</sup> and employment - December 2023**

District / Locality	Establishments				Total Employment
	Food	Textile	Other	Total	
<b>Port Louis</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>706</b>
<i>of which:</i>					
Plaine Lauzun	1	1	3	5	112
Port Louis city	4	4	9	17	408
<b>Pamplemousses</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7,317</b>
<i>of which:</i>					
Terre Rouge & Riche Terre	3	4	10	17	5,312
Tombeau Bay	0	5	1	6	712
Triolet	0	2	1	3	103
<b>Rivière du Rempart</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3,902</b>
<i>of which:</i>					
St. Antoine & Goodlands	0	4	10	14	1,540
Rivière du Rempart & Ile d'Ambre	0	4	2	6	1,986
<b>Flacq</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>489</b>
<i>of which:</i>					
Central Flacq	0	2	0	2	95
Bel Air	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Grand Port</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1,090</b>
<i>of which:</i>					
Rose Belle & New Grove	0	0	1	1	230
Mahebourg	0	1	2	3	103
<b>Savanne</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2,650</b>
<i>of which:</i>					
Surinam	0	0	0	0	0
Rivière des Anguilles	0	0	1	1	752
<b>Plaine Wilhems</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>9,977</b>
<i>of which:</i>					
Coromandel	0	9	8	17	1,324
Beau Bassin & Rose Hill	0	3	0	3	81
Vacoas & Phoenix	0	13	3	16	4,167
Quatre Bornes	0	7	5	12	855
Curepipe, Floreal & Forest Side	1	9	9	19	1,735
<b>Moka</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1,358</b>
<i>of which:</i>					
Pailles	0	3	7	10	219
St. Pierre & Moka	0	3	3	6	500
<b>Black River</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5,804</b>
<b>Rodrigues</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>33,293</b>

<sup>1</sup> The number of establishments is greater than number of enterprises as an enterprise can have one or more establishments.

**Table 8 - Net EOE Exports, 2022 - 2023**

**Value: R Million**

Item	2022	2023 <sup>1</sup>	2022				2023 <sup>1</sup>			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
<b>A. Total exports ( f.o.b )</b>	<b>49,918</b>	<b>47,356</b>	<b>10,925</b>	<b>12,503</b>	<b>13,524</b>	<b>12,967</b>	<b>11,996</b>	<b>11,988</b>	<b>12,635</b>	<b>10,737</b>
<b>B. Total imports ( c.i.f )</b>	<b>33,466</b>	<b>26,810</b>	<b>7,478</b>	<b>8,226</b>	<b>8,793</b>	<b>8,968</b>	<b>6,811</b>	<b>7,354</b>	<b>6,277</b>	<b>6,368</b>
<i>Raw materials</i>	<i>32,147</i>	<i>25,450</i>	<i>7,108</i>	<i>7,988</i>	<i>8,369</i>	<i>8,681</i>	<i>6,587</i>	<i>6,928</i>	<i>5,849</i>	<i>6,087</i>
<i>Machinery</i>	<i>1,319</i>	<i>1,360</i>	<i>370</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>424</i>	<i>287</i>	<i>224</i>	<i>426</i>	<i>428</i>	<i>281</i>
<b>Net Exports (A - B)</b>	<b>16,452</b>	<b>20,546</b>	<b>3,447</b>	<b>4,277</b>	<b>4,731</b>	<b>3,999</b>	<b>5,185</b>	<b>4,634</b>	<b>6,358</b>	<b>4,369</b>
<b>Net Exports as % of Total Exports</b>	<b>33.0</b>	<b>43.4</b>	<b>31.6</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>35.0</b>	<b>30.8</b>	<b>43.2</b>	<b>38.7</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>40.7</b>

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

**Table 9 - EOE exports of selected commodities by SITC section, 2022 - 2023**

Value (F.o.b): R Million

SITC Section/Description	2022	2023 <sup>1</sup>	2022				2023 <sup>1</sup>			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
<b>Total EOE Exports</b>	<b>49,918</b>	<b>47,356</b>	<b>10,925</b>	<b>12,503</b>	<b>13,524</b>	<b>12,967</b>	<b>11,996</b>	<b>11,988</b>	<b>12,635</b>	<b>10,737</b>
<b>0 - Food and live animals</b>	<b>14,823</b>	<b>16,987</b>	<b>3,081</b>	<b>3,575</b>	<b>3,988</b>	<b>4,179</b>	<b>4,518</b>	<b>4,286</b>	<b>4,368</b>	<b>3,815</b>
of which :										
Live animals other than fish	2,081	3,756	535	478	525	543	782	711	1,427	836
Fish & fish preparations	12,049	12,424	2,441	2,884	3,263	3,460	3,579	3,348	2,791	2,706
Cereals and cereal preparations	62	154	13	11	25	13	7	18	15	115
<b>2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>100</b>
Medicaments (including Veterinary medicaments)	133	4	69	43	19	1	3	2	0	0
<b>6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>	<b>10,150</b>	<b>8,543</b>	<b>2,318</b>	<b>2,602</b>	<b>2,878</b>	<b>2,352</b>	<b>2,044</b>	<b>2,074</b>	<b>2,485</b>	<b>1,939</b>
of which :										
Paper, paperboard and articles	85	70	13	17	43	11	13	36	14	7
Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles	5,172	4,387	1,289	1,302	1,478	1,103	927	1,040	1,286	1,133
Glass	4	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones	4,656	3,827	973	1,219	1,293	1,172	1,037	924	1,116	750
Iron and steel	9	4	0	2	3	3	3	0	0	0
<b>7 - Machinery and transport equipment</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	<b>22,616</b>	<b>20,335</b>	<b>5,174</b>	<b>5,571</b>	<b>6,178</b>	<b>5,692</b>	<b>4,991</b>	<b>5,168</b>	<b>5,412</b>	<b>4,764</b>
of which :										
Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	413	481	97	95	117	103	92	130	133	126
Articles of apparel and clothing	16,493	13,670	3,777	3,942	4,622	4,151	3,532	3,340	3,702	3,096
Instruments and appliances, n.e.s., for medical, surgical, dental or veterinary purposes	1,819	2,050	379	569	453	418	442	598	534	476
Optical goods	272	338	73	86	53	60	61	127	69	82
Watches and clocks	1,450	1,429	376	374	366	334	356	419	345	310
Printed matter	112	85	27	24	34	27	27	18	17	23
Articles, n.e.s. of plastics	690	916	135	121	174	260	158	156	237	365
Toys, games and sporting goods	166	152	34	52	35	45	28	39	48	38
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	809	818	192	203	213	200	207	236	224	151
<b>Other sections</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>47</b>

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**Table 10 - EOE imports of selected commodities by SITC section, 2022 - 2023**

Value (C.i.f): R Million

SITC Section/Description	2022	2023 <sup>1</sup>	2022				2023 <sup>1</sup>			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
<b>Total EOE Imports</b>	<b>33,466</b>	<b>26,810</b>	<b>7,478</b>	<b>8,226</b>	<b>8,793</b>	<b>8,968</b>	<b>6,811</b>	<b>7,354</b>	<b>6,277</b>	<b>6,368</b>
<b>0 - Food and live animals</b>	<b>7,492</b>	<b>7,517</b>	<b>1,669</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>1,902</b>	<b>2,488</b>	<b>1,659</b>	<b>2,147</b>	<b>1,545</b>	<b>2,165</b>
of which :										
Meat and meat preparations	42	0	10	5	16	11	0	0	0	0
Fish & fish preparations	7,102	6,996	1,607	1,344	1,752	2,399	1,563	1,992	1,424	2,017
<b>2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	<b>3,898</b>	<b>2,333</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>496</b>
of which :										
Cotton	3,069	1,865	646	682	824	918	631	424	383	426
Synthetic fibres suitable for spinning	140	62	33	37	41	29	13	19	7	22
Wool and other animal hair	442	203	170	70	114	88	83	53	61	6
<b>3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related products</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s</b>	<b>2,227</b>	<b>1,785</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>458</b>
<b>6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>	<b>13,998</b>	<b>10,139</b>	<b>2,989</b>	<b>3,993</b>	<b>3,720</b>	<b>3,295</b>	<b>2,614</b>	<b>2,722</b>	<b>2,516</b>	<b>2,287</b>
of which :										
Leather	296	288	62	76	85	74	66	86	73	63
Paper, paperboard and articles	348	251	89	72	72	115	51	74	73	53
Textile yarn and fabrics	5,941	4,179	1,143	1,969	1,534	1,295	988	1,167	1,050	974
Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones	5,039	3,493	1,154	1,323	1,351	1,211	964	939	816	774
Iron and steel	758	599	148	222	254	134	190	159	135	115
Non-ferrous metals	281	307	78	55	79	69	75	65	82	85
<b>7 - Machinery &amp; transport equipment</b>	<b>1,319</b>	<b>1,360</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>281</b>
of which :										
Machinery specialized for particular industries	636	749	174	81	255	125	81	202	282	184
<b>8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	<b>3,524</b>	<b>2,760</b>	<b>933</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>607</b>
of which :										
Optical goods, watches & clocks	855	886	241	185	208	222	209	235	211	231
Printed matter	163	146	37	42	51	34	40	38	35	33
Articles, n.e.s. of plastics	489	392	115	118	130	126	125	126	70	71
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	811	271	269	209	110	223	130	95	39	7
<b>Other sections</b>	<b>1,003</b>	<b>911</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>73</b>

<sup>1</sup>Provisional

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**Table 11 - EOE exports by country of destination, 2022 - 2023**

Value (F.o.b): R Million

Country of destination	2022	2023 <sup>1</sup>	2022				2023 <sup>1</sup>			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
<b>Total EOE Exports</b>	<b>49,918</b>	<b>47,356</b>	<b>10,925</b>	<b>12,503</b>	<b>13,524</b>	<b>12,967</b>	<b>11,996</b>	<b>11,988</b>	<b>12,635</b>	<b>10,737</b>
<b>Europe:</b>	<b>25,141</b>	<b>24,638</b>	<b>5,545</b>	<b>6,276</b>	<b>6,349</b>	<b>6,970</b>	<b>6,908</b>	<b>6,793</b>	<b>5,609</b>	<b>5,329</b>
Austria	48	25	12	17	13	6	10	4	4	8
Belgium	1,064	741	126	182	246	509	146	186	155	253
France	5,725	5,517	1,368	1,630	1,385	1,342	1,540	1,627	1,211	1,139
Germany	916	989	283	185	197	250	245	300	254	190
Italy	2,008	2,327	613	496	361	537	469	984	388	485
Netherlands	2,884	2,759	511	632	842	899	1,062	514	562	621
Portugal	400	268	38	206	70	86	181	60	17	11
Spain	3,822	3,423	599	706	1,221	1,295	977	966	815	665
Switzerland	1,111	851	258	290	289	275	288	217	183	162
United Kingdom	5,978	6,253	1,456	1,598	1,425	1,498	1,576	1,585	1,678	1,414
Other	1,185	1,485	281	334	300	273	414	350	342	381
<b>Asia:</b>	<b>5,375</b>	<b>5,003</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>1,523</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>1,428</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>1,286</b>	<b>1,437</b>	<b>1,045</b>
China	172	144	44	37	57	34	52	29	26	36
Hong Kong (S.A.R) <sup>2</sup>	51	60	15	10	12	14	10	23	11	16
India	840	726	161	282	193	204	162	220	204	141
Japan	132	230	15	48	37	33	56	82	59	34
Sri Lanka	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Vietnam	3,572	3,249	549	996	1,066	960	691	843	1,044	671
Other	608	593	107	150	168	183	263	89	93	147
<b>Africa:</b>	<b>13,679</b>	<b>11,513</b>	<b>2,982</b>	<b>3,292</b>	<b>4,165</b>	<b>3,239</b>	<b>2,490</b>	<b>2,593</b>	<b>3,403</b>	<b>3,026</b>
Madagascar	4,363	3,354	1,003	1,267	1,123	971	638	727	1,032	958
Reunion	260	260	50	68	64	78	63	73	58	66
Seychelles	86	76	20	28	25	14	16	32	16	13
South Africa	8,592	7,422	1,775	1,875	2,871	2,072	1,655	1,704	2,180	1,883
Other	378	401	134	54	82	104	118	57	117	106
<b>America:</b>	<b>5,458</b>	<b>5,967</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>1,393</b>	<b>1,276</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>1,251</b>	<b>2,139</b>	<b>1,289</b>
Canada	260	117	91	53	61	55	22	40	39	17
Panama	34	8	4	24	4	2	3	1	1	3
U.S.A	5,079	5,709	1,332	1,222	1,318	1,208	1,247	1,183	2,025	1,254
Other	85	133	29	34	10	11	15	27	74	15
<b>Oceania:</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>47</b>
Australia	250	221	45	74	82	49	72	63	42	44
New Zealand	15	14	5	5	1	4	4	2	5	3
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

<sup>2</sup> Special Administrative Region of China

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**Table 12 - EOE imports by country of origin, 2022 - 2023**

Value (C.i.f): R Million

Country of origin	2022	2023 <sup>1</sup>	2022				2023 <sup>1</sup>			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
<b>Total EOE Imports</b>	<b>33,466</b>	<b>26,810</b>	<b>7,478</b>	<b>8,226</b>	<b>8,793</b>	<b>8,968</b>	<b>6,811</b>	<b>7,354</b>	<b>6,277</b>	<b>6,368</b>
<b>Europe:</b>	<b>15,006</b>	<b>11,781</b>	<b>3,348</b>	<b>3,697</b>	<b>4,084</b>	<b>3,878</b>	<b>2,953</b>	<b>3,528</b>	<b>2,745</b>	<b>2,554</b>
Belgium	4,720	3,491	1,111	1,212	1,284	1,113	888	1,022	810	771
France	3,779	2,967	733	983	909	1,154	917	929	658	463
Germany	408	481	127	109	109	62	88	75	236	83
Italy	1,536	978	412	445	297	382	287	278	258	155
Netherlands	42	82	6	12	12	12	8	24	35	15
Spain	2,111	1,847	444	364	716	587	320	642	256	630
Sweden	1	4	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0
Switzerland	478	418	138	92	137	111	88	149	96	85
United Kingdom	337	286	78	72	97	91	78	77	79	52
Other	1,594	1,227	299	407	522	366	277	332	315	300
<b>Asia:</b>	<b>11,051</b>	<b>7,716</b>	<b>2,478</b>	<b>3,093</b>	<b>2,933</b>	<b>2,547</b>	<b>1,929</b>	<b>2,012</b>	<b>1,867</b>	<b>1,909</b>
China	3,076	2,643	741	811	840	683	656	620	633	733
Hong Kong (S.A.R.) <sup>2</sup>	289	182	80	76	78	55	51	43	53	35
India	3,577	2,291	653	1,264	786	875	604	653	527	506
Indonesia	778	720	216	204	200	159	227	162	158	173
Japan	130	78	56	17	26	30	11	22	19	26
Korea, Republic of	248	114	31	48	110	60	11	26	59	17
Malaysia	244	234	70	39	76	59	60	52	57	64
Pakistan	164	36	14	44	71	35	8	19	3	6
Singapore	109	61	26	30	33	20	23	14	13	11
Thailand	651	483	167	100	201	183	146	96	116	125
Other	1,785	874	424	460	512	388	132	305	229	213
<b>Africa:</b>	<b>6,330</b>	<b>6,529</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,269</b>	<b>1,486</b>	<b>2,128</b>	<b>1,655</b>	<b>1,606</b>	<b>1,437</b>	<b>1,831</b>
Burkina Faso	66	61	0	57	9	0	0	0	61	0
Madagascar	394	388	45	73	100	176	53	100	177	58
Seychelles	2,882	3,872	659	544	519	1,160	825	969	801	1,277
South Africa	493	437	103	100	129	162	130	118	120	69
Zambia	117	52	105	0	0	11	6	0	0	46
Other	2,378	1,719	535	495	729	619	641	419	278	381
<b>America:</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>69</b>
Brazil	39	93	9	9	11	10	31	18	30	14
U.S.A	321	317	68	76	100	77	93	108	66	49
Canada	6	3	2	2	0	2	1	1	0	0
Other	207	125	52	52	64	39	34	54	33	6
<b>Oceania:</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>5</b>
Australia	386	187	35	6	85	261	97	11	79	0
Other	119	58	40	22	31	27	18	15	21	5

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