

Monthly External Merchandise Trade Statistics - June 2015

1. Balance of visible trade

Balance of Visible Trade showed a deficit of R 5,626 million in June 2015 higher by 4.3% compared to the previous month but lower by 3.9% compared to the corresponding month of 2014.

Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Value: R million

| | 2014 | 2015 | |
|--|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | June ¹ | May ² | June ³ |
| A. Total Exports (f.o.b) | 8,950 | 8,245 | 8,858 |
| Domestic exports | 5,384 | 5,257 | 5,319 |
| Re-exports | 2,101 | 2,188 | 2,739 |
| Ship's Stores and Bunkers | 1,465 | 800 | 800 |
| B. Total Imports (c.i.f) | 14,803 | 13,640 | 14,484 |
| Total International Trade (A + B) | 23,753 | 21,885 | 23,342 |
| Trade Deficits (A - B) | -5,853 | -5,395 | -5,626 |

¹ Revised estimates

² Updated estimates

³ First estimates

2. Total Imports of goods by S.I.T.C section

C.I.F value: R million

| SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION | 2014 | 2015 | |
|---|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | June ¹ | May ² | June ³ |
| 0 - Food and live animals | 2,356 | 2,595 | 2,463 |
| 1 - Beverages and tobacco | 294 | 336 | 174 |
| 2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 306 | 346 | 434 |
| 3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | 3,557 | 2,227 | 2,129 |
| 4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes | 258 | 66 | 81 |
| 5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s. | 1,142 | 1,088 | 1,201 |
| 6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | 2,236 | 2,545 | 2,867 |
| 7 - Machinery and transport equipment | 3,274 | 3,237 | 3,798 |
| 8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 1,280 | 1,117 | 1,265 |
| 9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s | 100 | 83 | 72 |
| TOTAL | 14,803 | 13,640 | 14,484 |

¹ Revised estimates

² Updated estimates

³ First estimates

In June 2015, total imports increased by 6.2% compared to May 2015 but decreased by 2.2% compared to June 2014.

3. Total Exports of goods by S.I.T.C section

F.O.B value: R million

| SITC SECTION/DESCRIPTION | 2014 | 2015 | |
|---|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | June ¹ | May ² | June ² |
| 0 - Food and live animals | 2,146 | 2,111 | 2,033 |
| 1 - Beverages and tobacco | 68 | 33 | 131 |
| 2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 83 | 79 | 118 |
| 3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | - | 8 | 1 |
| 4 - Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes | 10 | 11 | 14 |
| 5 - Chemicals & related products, n.e.s. | 196 | 243 | 285 |
| 6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | 760 | 805 | 823 |
| 7 - Machinery and transport equipment | 1,282 | 1,196 | 1,488 |
| 8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 2,876 | 2,921 | 3,135 |
| 9 - Other commodities & transactions, n.e.s | 64 | 38 | 30 |
| Exports exclusive of Ship's Stores and Bunkers | 7,485 | 7,445 | 8,058 |
| Estimates of Ship's Stores and Bunkers | 1,465 | 800 | 800 |
| TOTAL | 8,950 | 8,245 | 8,858 |

¹ Revised estimates ² First estimates

In June 2015, total exports increased by 7.4 % compared to the previous month but decreased by 1.0% compared to June 2014.

4. Main trading partners in June 2015

Value: R million

| Exports ¹ (F.O.B) | | | | Imports (C.I.F) | | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Country | 2014 | 2015 | | Country | 2014 | 2015 | |
| | June ² | May ² | June ³ | | June ² | May ² | June ³ |
| UAE | 878 | 911 | 1,265 | India | 3,873 | 2,418 | 2,713 |
| United Kingdom | 929 | 1,118 | 1,125 | China | 2,402 | 2,479 | 2,649 |
| USA | 883 | 799 | 1,030 | Vietnam | 641 | 748 | 1,189 |
| France | 784 | 735 | 677 | South Africa | 915 | 980 | 992 |
| South Africa | 532 | 487 | 527 | France | 1,041 | 1,020 | 852 |
| Madagascar | 513 | 463 | 472 | Spain | 406 | 531 | 379 |
| Other | 2,966 | 2,932 | 2,962 | Other | 5,525 | 5,464 | 5,710 |
| Total | 7,485 | 7,445 | 8,058 | Total | 14,803 | 13,640 | 14,484 |

¹ Excluding Ship's Stores and Bunkers ² Revised estimates ³ First estimates

UAE(15.7%), United Kingdom (14.0%), USA (12.8%) and France (8.4%) were our major exports destinations in June 2015 while our imports were mainly from India (18.7%),China (18.3%), Vietnam (8.2%) and South Africa (6.8%) .

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