



Table 1: Summary of External Trade for January 2023

Zimbabwe's Major Exports in January 2023 (%)		Zimbabwe's Major Imports in January 2023 (%)		
	Semi-manufactured gold	24.6		Mineral fuels and mineral oil products 23.5
	Nickel mattes	16.8		Machinery & mechanical appliances 14.7
	Nickel ores & concentrates	14.4		Vehicles 8.6
	Tobacco	12.4		Fertilizers 6.9
	Industrial Diamonds	6.8		Electrical machinery & equipment 6.7
	Other mineral substances	6.0		Cereals 4.6
	Ferro-chromium	5.6		Plastics 4.2
	Coke and semi-coke of coal	3.6		Miscellaneous chemical products 2.9
	Platinum unwrought	1.8		Animal/Vegetable fats and oils 2.7
	Chromium ores and concentrates	0.8		Pharmaceuticals 2.5

Trends in External Trade

The total value of exports dropped by 32.3% from US\$633.3 million in December 2022 to US\$428.9 million in January 2023.

Imports also decreased by 21.1% from US\$760.1 million in December 2022 to US\$599.7 million in January 2023.

The trade deficit increased from 126.8 million in December 2022 to US\$170.8 million in January 2023.

Table 2: Exports by Country of Destination

Country	December 2022		January 2023	
	Value (USD Million)	%	Value (USD Million)	%
South Africa	292.0	46.1	182.7	42.6
United Arab Emirates	169.6	26.8	128.2	29.9
China	56.9	9.0	39.4	9.2
Mozambique	15.0	2.4	16.0	3.7
Belgium	37.3	5.9	20.5	4.8
Indonesia	0.2	0.0	3.8	0.9
Zambia	12.0	1.9	7.0	1.6
Netherlands	1.9	0.3	4.6	1.1
Sudan	9.2	1.5	1.9	0.4
Botswana	3.0	0.5	1.6	0.4
Other Countries	36.2	5.7	23.2	5.4
Grand Total	633.3	53.9	428.9	57.4

Table 3: Imports by Country of Origin

Country	December 2022		January 2023	
	Value (USD) Million	(%)	Value (USD) Million	(%)
South Africa	298.8	39.3	216.2	36.0
China	105.8	13.9	91.6	15.3
Singapore	120.3	15.8	82.1	13.7
Mauritius	25.4	3.3	28.1	4.7
Zambia	27.4	3.6	24.3	4.0
Mozambique	30.9	4.1	20.4	3.4
India	18.0	2.4	13.0	2.2
Germany	2.8	0.4	9.6	1.6
Hong Kong	8.5	1.1	8.9	1.5
United Arab Emirates	10.0	1.3	8.5	1.4
Other Countries	112.3	14.8	97.2	16.2
Grand Total	760.1	100.0	599.7	100.0