

# ZIMBABWE'S EXTERNAL TRADE

Zimbabwe's goods trade deficit for June 2024 was **USD 218.9 million**, a **39.6%** increase from the May 2024 deficit of **USD 156.8 million**. (*refer to Table 1*)

A trade deficit occurs when a country's value of imports is greater than that of exports in a given period. When the value of exports exceeds the value of imports, it implies a trade surplus.

June 2024 exports amounted to USD524.7million, a decrease of 10.0% (USD 583.0 million) from the May 2024 value of USD583.0 million.

Imports for the month totalled **USD743.6 million**, which was **0.5%** (**USD 3.8 million**) more than the May 2024 imports of **USD739.8 million**.

Table 1. Value of Exported and Imported Goods				
Month	Value of Exports (USD Million)	Value of Imports (USD Million)	<b>Trade Deficit</b> (USD Million)	
June 2024	524.7	743.6	218.9	
May 2024	583.0	739.8	156.8	
Percent Change	10.0%	0.5%	39.6%	

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### **TOP TEN EXPORT PRODUCTS**

Among the top ten products exported in June 2024 were semi –manufactured gold, nickel mattes, and tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped which accounted for 30.5%, 18.5% and 8.6% of the total value of **USD 524.7 million, respectively**.

Zimbabwe's Major Exports in June 2024 (%)				
	Semi-manufactured gold	30.5		
	Nickel mattes	18.5		
	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped	8.6		
	Industrial diamonds unworked	6.4		
Car	Ferro-chromium	6.3		
distant.	Other mineral substances, nes	5.0		
and it	Nickel ores and concentrates	4.9		
- Martin	Other ores and concentrates, nes	4.2		
200	Chromium ores and concentrates	2.8		
	Coke and semi-coke of coal	2.7		
	Other Exports	10.0		
	Grand Total	100.0		

## **TOP TEN IMPORT PRODUCTS**

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Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products, machinery and mechanical appliances, cereals and vehicles were among the top ten imported products in June 2024.

The products constituted 25.7%, 11.6%, 10.0% and 6.8% of the total import value of **USD743.6 million**, respectively.

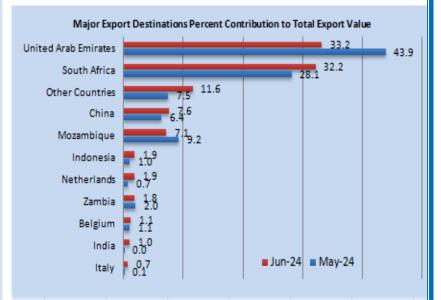
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	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	25.7
	Machinery and mechanical appliances	11.6
-	Cereals	10.0
	Vehicles	6.8
See.	Electrical machinery and equipment	6.2
	Plastics	3.3
-	Miscellaneous chemical products	2.9
-675	Iron and steel and articles	5.5
	Animal or vegetable fats and oils	2.7
-	Fertilisers	1.7
<b>-</b>	Other products	23.5
	Grand Total	100.00

### MAJOR EXPORT DESTINATIONS

Among the country's major export destinations in June 2024 were United Arab Emirates (**33.2%**), South Africa (**32.2%**), China (**7.6%**) and Mozambique(**7.1%**)

The three countries accounted for around seventy three percent of the total export value of **USD524.7** million.



## MAJOR IMPORT SOURCE COUNTRIES

Among the major source countries for imports in June 2024 were South Africa (40.7%), China (11.6%), Bahamas (9.6%) and Singapore (4.8%).

The four countries accounted for around sixty-seven percent of the total import value of **USD743.6** million.

