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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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Mr D Bergman (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

In terms of the full-term trade figures for the past full year, what are the details of the (a) top 10 countries that the Republic (i) exported to and (ii) imported from and (b) supply value of the (i) export and (ii) import trade? NW3117E

REPLY:

The top export and import partners, and trade values are summarised below.

Exports reached an all-time high in 2022, surpassing ZAR 2 trillion for the first time, with notable growth in exports to markets including Germany, Japan, the Netherlands, India, and all neighbouring countries.

	TOP 10 Export destinations	Exported value in 2022
	World	2 024 476 648
1	China	195 591 758
2	United States of America	179 425 236
3	Germany	163 795 988
4	Japan	140 869 179
5	United Kingdom	103 567 427
6	Netherlands	98 245 133
7	India	84 135 321
8	Botswana	77 071 498
9	Belgium	65 199 545
10	Namibia	56 997 549

Imports grew rapidly, particularly due to the rising petroleum imports, which also drove a rapid spike in imports from India, the UAE and Oman.

	TOP 10 Import suppliers	Imported value in 2022
	<i>World</i>	<i>1 832 262 773</i>
1	China	368 761 963
2	India	136 911 736
3	Germany	135 371 730
4	United States of America	134 817 391
5	Saudi Arabia	71 916 317
6	United Arab Emirates	67 786 536
7	Thailand	50 512 434
8	Japan	46 522 269
9	Oman	43 472 407
10	Italy	40 429 620

Data source: International Trade Centre TradeMap reporting of SARS data. Exports to Mozambique have been adjusted to account for misclassified data bound for third markets via the Port of Maputo. Reported figures are as reflected in official SARS data, and may include some transit trade classified as exports by SARS.

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