

**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 1862**

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

- (1) What (a) is the name of each of the top 10 countries that the Republic imported goods from in the period 1 January 2023 to 31 March 2023 and (b) were the trade values to each country in the specified period;
- (2) what is the name of each of the top 10 countries that the Republic exported goods to in the period 1 January 2023 to 31 March 2023 and (b) what were the trade values to each specified country in the specified period? NW2113E

**REPLY:**

Based on SARS provisional data, the top 10 countries from which SA imported goods in the period 1 January to 31 March 2023 are:

1. China
2. Germany
3. USA
4. India
5. UAE
6. Thailand
7. Nigeria
8. Saudi Arabia
9. Japan
10. Oman.

Based on SARS provisional data, the top 10 countries to whose markets SA exported goods in the period 1 January to 31 March 2023 are:

1. China
2. USA
3. Germany
4. Japan
5. India
6. UK
7. Netherlands
8. Belgium
9. Botswana
10. UAE

South Africa's import suppliers (Rand values)

		<b>Total (January to March 2023)</b>
	<b>World</b>	<b>R485 259 081 939</b>
1	China	R99 146 820 610
2	Germany	R39 723 451 934
3	United States	R36 334 678 519
4	India	R32 626 305 702
5	UAE	R19 055 926 925
6	Thailand	R15 515 425 690
7	Nigeria	R13 003 529 551
8	Saudi Arabia	R12 835 399 393
9	Japan	R11 345 815 628
10	Oman	R10 959 640 838

Data source: SARS, adjusted for transit trade

(2)(a) and (b):

South Africa's export destinations (Rand values)

		<b>Total (January to March 2023)</b>
	<b>World</b>	<b>R455 061 074 141</b>
1	China	R54 887 839 800
2	United States	R36 896 513 669
3	Germany	R31 268 892 040
4	Japan	R28 613 650 186
5	India	R22 963 598 797
6	United Kingdom	R21 062 612 635
7	Netherlands	R20 751 577 401
8	Belgium	R15 869 295 095
9	Botswana	R15 319 831 767
10	UAE	R12 369 444 500

Data source: SARS, adjusted for transit trade and errors in export data.

The Department also considers revisions in SARS data, as well as data from trading partners to build a more accurate picture. The latter data is not fully available for all countries yet.

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