

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 1900

Mr M Manyi (MK) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

What (a) measurable impact has the Special Economic Zones (SEZ) programme had on local employment and industrial output and (b) are the verifiable figures on (i) new businesses established and (ii) jobs created within SEZs since 1 January 2019?
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REPLY:

(a)&(b)(i)(ii)

the dtic receives quarterly reports, submitted by the various SEZs, to verify job numbers; and new companies established in the Zones.

For the 2018/2019 financial year, the number of companies established in SEZs were 174, with cumulative investment of R17 billion, this provided 16 301 permanent jobs. As of Q4 of 2024/2025 the cumulative number of companies established increased to 220 with the total investment value almost doubling to R 32 453 billion. The cumulative permanent jobs in the Zones have also increased by 68% to 27 281.

Below is a detailed table outlining the number of companies and jobs in the individual SEZs to date.

Overview of the SEZ Performance			
SEZ Name	No. of operational Investments	Value of Operational Investments (R Million)	Total Number of Active Created
Coega	70	12 617	10 596
ELIDZ	40	5 825	4098
MAPSEZ	4	1 025	172
SBIDZ	16	268	107
DTPSEZ	50	3 367	5 242
RBIDZ	4	1 941	487
OR Tambo	18	993,5	2 734
Atlantis	7	815	423
TASEZ	11	5 602	3 422
Total	220	32 453	27 281

The figures presented in the table were verified from the SEZs reports

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