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# **Kenya-South Africa Trade Flow Analysis Report**

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## **1.0 SOUTH AFRICA**

### **1.1 Background**

South Africa stands as one of Africa's most advanced economies, sharing the top spot with Nigeria. The country hosts about 75% of the largest companies on the continent, underpinned by a well-developed economic infrastructure. The national government has implemented policy measures aimed at restoring macroeconomic stability, prioritizing economic growth, reducing unemployment, and maintaining favourable credit ratings. Despite these efforts, South Africa grapples with significant challenges such as escalating public debt, inefficiencies in state-owned enterprises, and fiscal pressures, which have weakened its global competitiveness. After recording a 1.9% GDP growth in 2022, the economy expanded by 0.4% and 0.6% during the first two quarters of 2023, primarily driven by investments in infrastructure, machinery, and equipment. However, household consumption declined for the first time since 2021 in the second quarter of 2023. For the full year, the IMF estimated GDP growth at 0.9%, hindered by an ongoing energy crisis attributed to mismanagement at Eskom, the state-owned power utility. This crisis severely impacted electricity-reliant industries, including mining, metals, paper, and retail. Despite interventions, President Cyril Ramaphosa declared a "state of national disaster" in February 2023. The IMF projects GDP growth of 1.8% in 2024 and 1.6% in 2025, with investment serving as the primary growth driver, while private consumption is expected to remain subdued.

Although South Africa has been surpassed by Nigeria as Sub-Saharan Africa's largest economy, it continues to exert significant regional influence. Fiscal challenges persisted in the first half of 2023, marked by a decline in tax revenue and public sector wage settlements exceeding planned budgets. This led to a substantial fiscal deficit of -6.2% of GDP, reversing progress from two years of fiscal consolidation. Projections suggest that fiscal stabilization will occur in 2024 and 2025, with the adoption of contractionary fiscal policies. The public debt-to-GDP ratio climbed to 73.7% in 2023, up from 71.1% in the previous year, and is expected to reach 78.8% by 2025. Including non-financial and financial public corporations, the total gross consolidated public debt approximates 120% of GDP. Additional support for struggling state-owned enterprises risks exacerbating this debt burden. Inflation remained elevated at an average rate of 6% in 2023, peaking above this level from January to May before moderating in the second half of the year. The IMF forecasts inflation to decline to around 4.5% in the medium term.

Unemployment remains a pressing issue, although there has been improvement. By the third quarter of 2023, the official unemployment rate



fell below 32% for the first time since late 2020 (Statistics SA). However, unemployment remains disproportionately high among young people and the black majority, exacerbating inequality in a nation recognized as one of the most unequal globally. According to the World Bank, 55.5% of South Africans live below the national upper poverty line. The IMF reported South Africa's average GDP per capita (PPP) at USD 16,211 in 2023.

## **2.1 INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

### **2.2 Situational Analysis**

*Table 1: Situation analysis*

<b>South Africa's Trade Flows and Position in the Global Trade</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In 2023, South Africa's exports were valued at <b>USD 110.7 Billion</b> which accounted for <b>0.5%</b> of the world exports during the year. South Africa was the <b>38<sup>th</sup></b> exporter in the year.</li><li>• On the other hand, in 2023, South Africa's imports were valued at <b>USD 107.3 Billion</b> which accounted for <b>0.5%</b> of the world imports during the year. South Africa was the <b>40<sup>th</sup></b> importer in the year.</li><li>• Her lead export destination market in 2023 was China with exports valued at <b>USD 12.5 Billion</b>, accounting for <b>11.3%</b> of South Africa's total exports.</li><li>• In the same year South Africa's top source market was China with imports valued at <b>USD 21.9 Billion</b> accounting for <b>20.5%</b> of South Africa's imports.</li><li>• South Africa's chief import product in 2023 was Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals excl. crude <b>USD 15.2 Billion</b> worth of the product.</li></ul>



## 2.3 South Africa's lead import trade partners

Table 2: South Africa's top 25 import trade partners

Rank in 2023	Exporters	value in 2019	value in 2020	value in 2021	value in 2022	value in 2023	Rank in 2023
		Imported values in USD Billion					%
1	China	16.3	14.3	19.3	22.5	21.9	<b>20.5%</b>
2	United States of America	5.8	4.4	6.6	8.2	9.2	<b>8.6%</b>
3	Germany	8.8	6.3	7.6	8.3	8.7	<b>8.1%</b>
4	India	4.3	3.6	5.4	8.4	7.5	<b>7.0%</b>
5	United Arab Emirates	2.2	1.2	1.9	4.1	4.0	<b>3.7%</b>
6	Thailand	2.7	2.1	3.0	3.1	3.5	<b>3.3%</b>
7	Saudi Arabia	3.7	2.7	4.1	4.4	3.1	<b>2.9%</b>
8	Japan	2.8	1.9	2.6	2.8	2.7	<b>2.5%</b>
9	Oman	0.9	0.7	1.9	2.7	2.6	<b>2.4%</b>
10	Italy	2.2	1.8	2.6	2.5	2.4	<b>2.2%</b>
11	Nigeria	3.5	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.4	<b>2.2%</b>
12	France	2.0	1.6	2.0	2.1	2.1	<b>2.0%</b>
13	United Kingdom	2.9	1.7	1.9	1.8	1.8	<b>1.7%</b>
14	Spain	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	<b>1.6%</b>
15	Netherlands	1.1	1.0	1.6	1.5	1.6	<b>1.5%</b>
16	Bahrain	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.9	1.5	<b>1.4%</b>
17	Brazil	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.6	1.4	<b>1.3%</b>
18	Eswatini	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.4	<b>1.3%</b>
19	Poland	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.3	<b>1.2%</b>
20	Malaysia	0.9	0.8	1.0	1.6	1.2	<b>1.2%</b>
21	Belgium	0.9	0.9	1.4	1.4	1.2	<b>1.2%</b>
22	Sweden	1.0	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.1	<b>1.0%</b>
23	Australia	1.0	0.8	1.1	1.3	1.1	<b>1.0%</b>
24	Viet Nam	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.0	<b>1.0%</b>
25	Namibia	0.9	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	<b>1.0%</b>
93	Kenya	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	<b>0.0%</b>
	All other country	17.9	14.1	19.0	23.1	19.6	<b>18.3%</b>
	<b>All country</b>	<b>88.2</b>	<b>68.7</b>	<b>93.6</b>	<b>111.9</b>	<b>107.3</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA.

- South Africa's total imports were valued at USD 107.3 Billion in 2023. Imports had average growth of 7.4% per year. Between 2022 and 2023, imports declined by 4.1% from USD 111.9 Billion in 2022 to USD 107.3 billion in 2023.
- The major South Africa's import source in 2023 were China (USD 21.9 Billion; 20.5%), USA (USD 9.2 Billion; 8.6%), Germany (USD 8.7 Billion; 8.1%), India (USD 7.5 Billion; 7.0%), and UAE (USD 4.0 Billion; 3.7%).
- Save for Nigeria and Namibia, no other African countries appeared in South African's top 25 import source.

## 2.4 South Africa's lead import products

Table 3: South Africa's top 20 import trade products

Rank in 2023	Code	Product label	value in 2019	value in 2020	value in 2021	value in 2022	value in 2023	Share in 2023
			Imported values in USD Billion					%
1	'2710	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excl. crude)	4.5	3.6	8.3	18.7	15.2	<b>14.2%</b>
2	'2709	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude	8.8	5.0	5.4	4.4	4.8	<b>4.5%</b>
3	'8703	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport.	3.9	2.1	3.2	4.6	4.1	<b>3.8%</b>
4	'8517	Telephone sets, incl. smartphones and other telephones for cellular networks.	3.1	2.5	3.1	3.5	3.1	<b>2.9%</b>
5	'8507	Electric accumulators, incl. separators therefor, whether or not square or rectangular.	0.3	0.4	0.4	1.0	2.0	<b>1.9%</b>
6	'8471	Automatic data-processing machines and units thereof; magnetic or optical readers.	1.8	1.5	2.0	2.1	2.0	<b>1.8%</b>
7	'8708	Parts and accessories for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport.	1.6	1.2	1.7	1.8	1.8	<b>1.7%</b>
8	'4907	Unused postage, revenue or similar stamps of current or new issue in the country.	1.1	1.0	1.6	1.9	1.8	<b>1.7%</b>
9	'3004	Medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses.	1.8	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.7	<b>1.6%</b>
10	'8504	Electrical transformers, static converters, e.g. rectifiers, and inductors.	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.7	1.2	<b>1.1%</b>
11	'8704	Motor vehicles for the transport of goods, incl. chassis with engine and cab	0.7	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.2	<b>1.1%</b>
12	'8429	Self-propelled bulldozers, angledozers, graders, levellers, scrapers, mechanical shovels.	0.7	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.1	<b>1.0%</b>
13	'8541	Semiconductor devices "e.g. diodes, transistors, semiconductor-based transducers".	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	1.0	<b>1.0%</b>
14	'2711	Petroleum gas and other gaseous hydrocarbons	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.8	<b>0.7%</b>
15	'4011	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	<b>0.7%</b>
16	'8701	Tractors (other than tractors of heading 8709)	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.7	<b>0.7%</b>
17	'9018	Instruments and appliances used in medical, surgical, dental or veterinary sciences.	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	<b>0.6%</b>
18	'8431	Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery.	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	<b>0.6%</b>
19	'7108	Gold, incl. gold plated with platinum, unwrought or not further worked.	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.7	<b>0.6%</b>
29	'1006	Rice	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	<b>0.6%</b>
		All other products	55.7	45.1	59.9	64.7	61.3	<b>57.2%</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>All products</b>	<b>88.2</b>	<b>68.7</b>	<b>93.6</b>	<b>111.9</b>	<b>107.3</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA

- South Africa's top import product in 2023 included: Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals excl. Crude (USD 15.2 Billion), Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous mineral, crude (USD 4.8 Billion), Motor cars and other motor vehicles (USD 4.1 Billion), Telephone sets (USD 3.1 Billion), and Electric accumulators (USD 2.0 billion).



## 2.5 South Africa's lead export trade partners

Table 4: South Africa's top 25 export trade partners.

Rank in 2023	Importers	value in 2019	value in 2020	value in 2021	value in 2022	value in 2023	Share in 2023
		Exported values in USD Billion					%
1	China	9.7	9.8	13.8	11.9	12.5	<b>11.3%</b>
2	United States of America	6.3	7.1	13.1	11.0	8.4	<b>7.6%</b>
3	Germany	7.5	7.0	10.5	10.0	7.8	<b>7.1%</b>
4	Mozambique	3.7	3.1	4.3	5.8	6.2	<b>5.6%</b>
5	Area Nes	5.3	7.3	7.9	5.8	6.1	<b>5.5%</b>
6	Japan	4.3	3.8	8.2	8.6	5.8	<b>5.2%</b>
7	United Kingdom	4.7	4.2	8.2	6.3	5.3	<b>4.8%</b>
8	India	4.1	3.2	4.3	5.1	5.1	<b>4.6%</b>
9	Netherlands	2.9	3.3	4.2	6.0	4.3	<b>3.9%</b>
10	Botswana	4.1	3.3	4.4	4.7	4.2	<b>3.8%</b>
11	Belgium	2.7	2.4	3.6	4.0	3.7	<b>3.4%</b>
12	Zimbabwe	2.0	2.2	2.9	3.2	3.4	<b>3.1%</b>
13	Namibia	3.6	2.7	3.4	3.5	3.4	<b>3.0%</b>
14	Zambia	2.1	1.7	2.3	2.7	2.8	<b>2.5%</b>
15	United Arab Emirates	1.6	1.5	2.3	2.5	2.5	<b>2.3%</b>
16	Korea, Republic of	1.5	1.4	2.1	2.7	2.1	<b>1.9%</b>
17	Eswatini	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.6	1.6	<b>1.5%</b>
18	Spain	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.4	1.6	<b>1.4%</b>
19	Congo, Democratic Republic	1.1	0.8	1.1	1.5	1.6	<b>1.4%</b>
20	Hong Kong, China	1.4	1.5	2.5	1.3	1.5	<b>1.3%</b>
21	Lesotho	1.3	1.0	1.4	1.5	1.4	<b>1.2%</b>
22	Italy	0.7	0.7	1.2	1.9	1.1	<b>1.0%</b>
23	Australia	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.1	<b>1.0%</b>
24	Taipei, Chinese	0.4	0.4	0.8	1.2	0.9	<b>0.8%</b>
25	Malaysia	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.7	<b>0.7%</b>
29	Kenya	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	<b>0.6%</b>
	All other countries	14.8	13.7	16.4	17.4	15.0	<b>13.6%</b>
	<b>All countries</b>	<b>90.4</b>	<b>85.7</b>	<b>123.7</b>	<b>123.6</b>	<b>110.7</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA.

- South Africa's total export were valued at USD 110.7 Billion in 2023. Between 2022 and 2023, exports declined by 10.5% from USD 123.6 Billion in 2022 to USD 110.9 Billion in 2023.
- South Africa's lead export markets in 2023 included: China (USD 12.5 Billion; 11.3%), USA (USD 8.4 Billion; 7.6%), Germany (USD 7.8 Billion; 7.1%), Mozambique (USD 6.2 Billion; 5.6%), and Area Nes (USD 6.1 Billion; 5.5%)

## 2.6 South Africa's lead export product



Table 5: South Africa's top 20 export trade products

Rank in 2023	Code	Product label	value in 2019	value in 2020	value in 2021	value in 2022	value in 2023	Share in 2023
			Exported values in USD Billion					%
1	'7110	Platinum, incl. palladium, rhodium, iridium, osmium and ruthenium, unwrought .	8.3	10.7	23.2	16.7	10.7	<b>9.7%</b>
2	'2701	Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal	4.8	3.9	6.1	13.0	7.9	<b>7.1%</b>
3	'2601	Iron ores and concentrates, incl. roasted iron pyrites	5.7	6.1	10.2	6.7	6.5	<b>5.9%</b>
4	'8704	Motor vehicles for the transport of goods, incl. chassis with engine and cab	3.5	2.8	4.0	4.0	6.0	<b>5.4%</b>
5	'7108	Gold, incl. gold plated with platinum, unwrought or not further worked,	4.6	6.8	7.4	5.3	5.6	<b>5.1%</b>
6	'8703	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport.	6.7	4.6	5.3	5.8	5.4	<b>4.9%</b>
7	'7202	Ferro-alloys	3.3	2.7	4.2	4.3	4.6	<b>4.2%</b>
8	'2610	Chromium ores and concentrates	2.0	1.5	1.9	2.5	3.9	<b>3.6%</b>
9	'2710	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excl. crude).	3.0	1.8	1.9	2.8	3.0	<b>2.7%</b>
10	'2602	Manganese ores and concentrates, incl. ferruginous manganese ores and concentrates.	3.2	2.5	2.8	2.9	2.7	<b>2.4%</b>
11	'7102	Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set.	1.6	1.4	2.4	2.7	2.1	<b>1.9%</b>
12	'0805	Citrus fruit, fresh or dried	1.4	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.9	<b>1.7%</b>
13	'8421	Centrifuges, incl. centrifugal dryers (excl. those for isotope separation).	1.7	1.8	2.6	2.3	1.8	<b>1.6%</b>
14	'7601	Unwrought aluminium	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.6	<b>1.4%</b>
15	'1005	Maize or corn	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.2	1.2	<b>1.1%</b>
16	'2616	Precious-metal ores and concentrates	0.5	1.0	1.8	1.9	1.1	<b>1.0%</b>
17	'4702	Chemical wood pulp, dissolving grades	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.0	<b>0.9%</b>
18	'7502	Unwrought nickel	0.3	0.3	0.6	1.1	0.7	<b>0.7%</b>
19	'0806	Grapes, fresh or dried	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.7	<b>0.6%</b>
20	'8708	Parts and accessories for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten.	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	<b>0.6%</b>
		All other products	36.8	32.8	43.3	44.8	41.5	<b>37.5%</b>
	'TOTAL	All products	<b>90.4</b>	<b>85.7</b>	<b>123.7</b>	<b>123.6</b>	<b>110.7</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA.

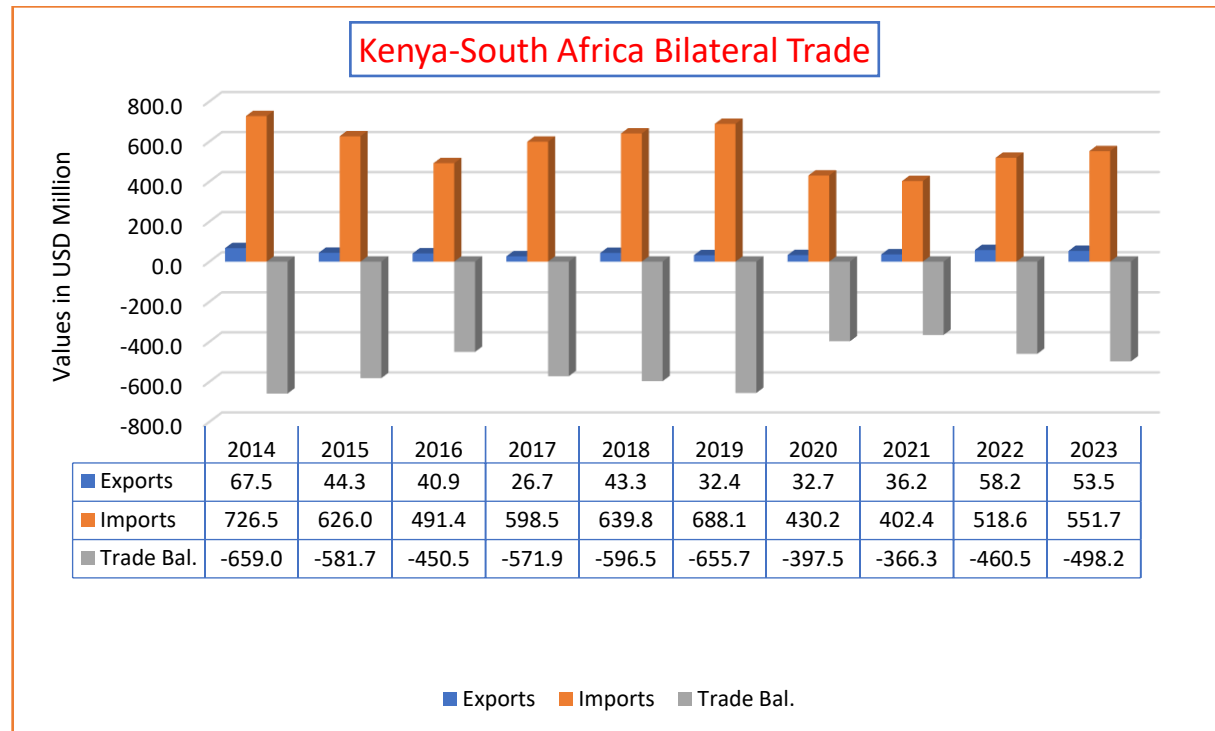
- The major products that South Africa's exported in 2023 included: Platinum, incl. palladium (9.7%), Coat briquettes, Ovoids and similar (7.1%), Iron ores and concentrates (5.9%), Motor vehicles for transports of goods (5.4%), and Gold (5.1%).



### 3.0 BILATERAL TRADE BETWEEN KENYA AND SOUTH AFRICA

#### 3.1 Trade Balance

Figure 1: Kenya-South Africa bilateral trade



Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA

- The balance of trade has been in favour of South Africa between 2014 and 2023.
- Kenya's export to South Africa's decreased from USD 67.5 million in 2014 to USD 53.5 million in 2023.
- On the other hand, Kenya's import from South Africa fluctuated through the past decade highest being USD 726.5 million in 2014 and lowest USD 402.4 million in 2022.
- The balance of trade between the two countries has widened in favour of South Africa between 2014 and 2023 by an average value of USD 523.8 million.



### 3.2 Kenya's export to South Africa

Table 6: Kenya's export to South Africa

Rank in 2023	Product code	Product label	Kenya's exports to South Africa					Share in 2023
			2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
			Exported values in USD million					%
1	'7108	Gold, incl. gold plated with platinum.	13.3	8.1	8.7	24.1	25.6	47.8%
2	'0603	Cut flowers and flower buds of a kind suitable for bouquet.	3.7	2.7	4.3	4.7	5.0	9.3%
3	'2836	Carbonates; peroxocarbonates "percarbonates".	0.8	3.4	2.9	8.9	2.1	3.9%
4	'2710	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excl. crude).	1.6	0.2	1.8	0.5	2.0	3.7%
5	'0902	Tea, whether or not flavoured	1.3	1.6	1.1	1.3	1.8	3.3%
6	'3923	Articles for the conveyance or packaging of goods, of plastics.	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.5	1.5	2.8%
7	'0708	Leguminous vegetables, shelled or unshelled, fresh or chilled	0.8	0.3	0.8	1.4	1.1	2.0%
8	'3101	Animal or vegetable fertilisers, whether or not mixed together.	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.5	0.9	1.6%
9	'0901	Coffee, whether or not roasted or decaffeinated; coffee husks and skins.	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.7	0.8	1.5%
10	'8537	Boards, panels, consoles, desks, cabinets and other bases.	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.8	1.5%
11	'7308	Structures and parts of structures "e.g., bridges and bridge-sections.	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.7	1.4%
12	'0710	Vegetables, uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling in water, frozen	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.6	1.2%
13	'6704	Wigs, false beards, eyebrows and eyelashes, switches.	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.4	0.6	1.1%
14	'8711	Motorcycles, incl. mopeds, and cycles fitted with an auxiliary motor.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.7%
15	'8504	Electrical transformers, static converters, e.g. rectifiers.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.7%
16	'2530	Vermiculite, perlite and other mineral substances, n.e.s.	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.7%
17	'3004	Medicaments.	0.1	0.4	1.0	0.9	0.4	0.7%
18	'0602	Live plants incl. their roots, cuttings and slips; mushroom spawn.	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.6%
19	'7601	Unwrought aluminium	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.6%
20	'0709	Other vegetables, fresh or chilled.	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.5%
		All other products	6.9	12.0	11.2	12.5	7.7	14.4%
	TOTAL	All products	32.4	32.7	36.2	58.2	53.5	100.0%

Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA

- Kenya's export to South Africa were valued at USD 53.5 million in 2023.
- Export grew on average by 16.1% between 2019 and 2023
- The major products that Kenya exported to South Africa included: Gold 47.8%, Cut flowers and flower buds 9.3%, Carbonates, percarbonates 3.9%, Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous mineral excl. crude 3.7%, and tea 3.3%.

### 3.4 Kenya's import from South Africa

Table 7: Kenya's import from South Africa

Rank in 2023	Product code	Product label	Kenya's imports from South Africa					Share in 2023
			2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
			Imported values in Usd Million					%
1	'9706	Antiques of > 100 years old	39.1	49.7	52.7	80.9	84.5	15.3%
2	'9111	Cases for wrist-watches, pocket-watches.	116.8	50.1	20.3	89.5	79.4	14.4%
3	'9301	Military weapons.	2.1	7.4	2.3	2.2	58.1	10.5%
4	'9008	Image projectors, and photographic enlargers.	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.4	35.5	6.4%
5	'9011	Optical microscopes.	36.9	34.2	35.0	44.6	33.0	6.0%
6	'7107	Base metals clad with silver.	17.3	19.2	24.7	16.4	23.3	4.2%
7	'7109	Base metals or silver, clad with gold.	140.3	16.8	1.5	14.1	19.7	3.6%
8	'7110	Platinum, incl. palladium, rhodium, iridium, osmium and ruthenium.	7.5	4.2	0.7	5.1	14.6	2.6%
9	'6905	Roofing tiles, chimney pots, cowls, chimney liners, architectural.	12.1	10.5	10.8	11.6	11.7	2.1%
10	'7115	Articles of precious metal or of metal clad with precious meta.	12.8	12.4	14.7	11.5	10.8	2.0%
11	'7209	Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of >= 600 mm.	3.7	6.6	8.0	6.8	6.0	1.1%
12	'7211	Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of < 600 mm.	5.7	4.4	5.4	5.5	5.4	1.0%
13	'7224	Steel, alloy, other than stainless, in ingots or other primary forms.	0.9	0.4	0.5	4.7	5.2	0.9%
14	'7507	Tubes, pipes and tube or pipe fittings.	4.2	3.8	5.1	6.0	5.0	0.9%
15	'7802	Lead waste and scrap (excluding ashes and residues )	6.7	5.4	7.2	6.0	4.7	0.9%
16	'8440	Bookbinding machinery, incl. book-sewing machines.	12.4	1.0	1.4	1.3	4.2	0.8%
17	'8449	Machinery for the manufacture or finishing of felt.	0.1	0.4	4.9	0.1	3.8	0.7%
18	'8457	Machining centres, unit construction machines.	1.1	1.2	2.0	2.5	3.7	0.7%
19	'0306	Crustaceans, whether in shell or not, live, fresh, chilled, frozen.	5.5	3.8	4.1	6.4	3.6	0.7%
20	'0505	Skins and other parts of birds, with their feathers or down, feathers.	0.4	0.8	1.1	2.7	3.3	0.6%
		All other products	262.4	198.0	200.0	180.2	136.1	24.7%
	TOTAL	All products	688.1	430.2	402.4	518.6	551.7	100.0%

Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA

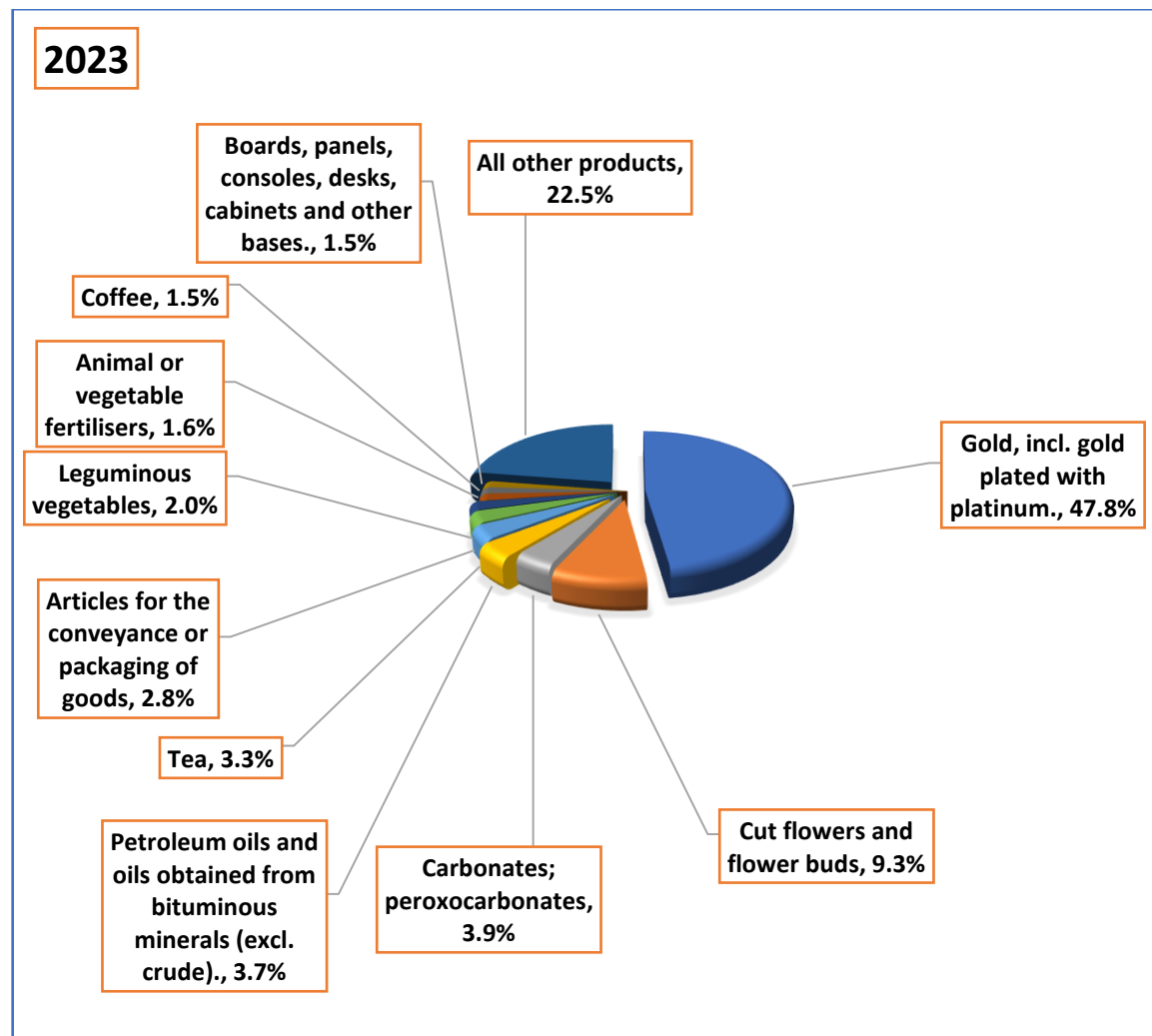
- Kenya's import from South Africa were valued at USD 551.7 million. Between 2022 and 2023 import grew by 6.4% from USD 518.6 million in 2022 to USD 551.7 million in 2023.
- Kenya's lead import products from South Africa included: Antiques of > 100 years old (15.3%), Cases of wrist watches, pocket watches (14.4%),



Military weapons (10.5%), Image projectors and photographic enlargers (6.4%), and Optical microscopes (6.0%)

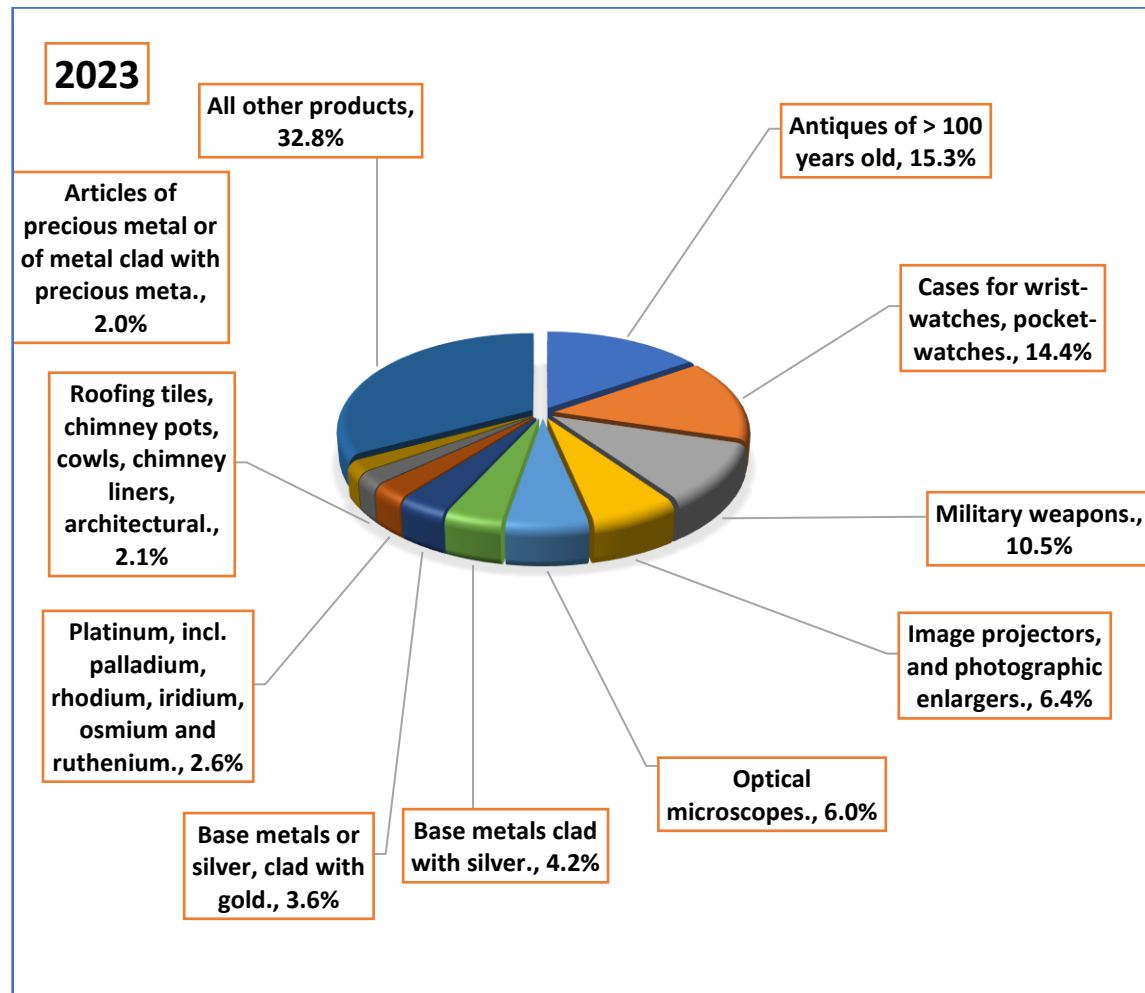
#### 4.0 SHARE ON KENYA EXPORTS AND IMPORTS TRADE WITH SOUTH AFRICA

##### 4.1 Export share to South Africa.



Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA

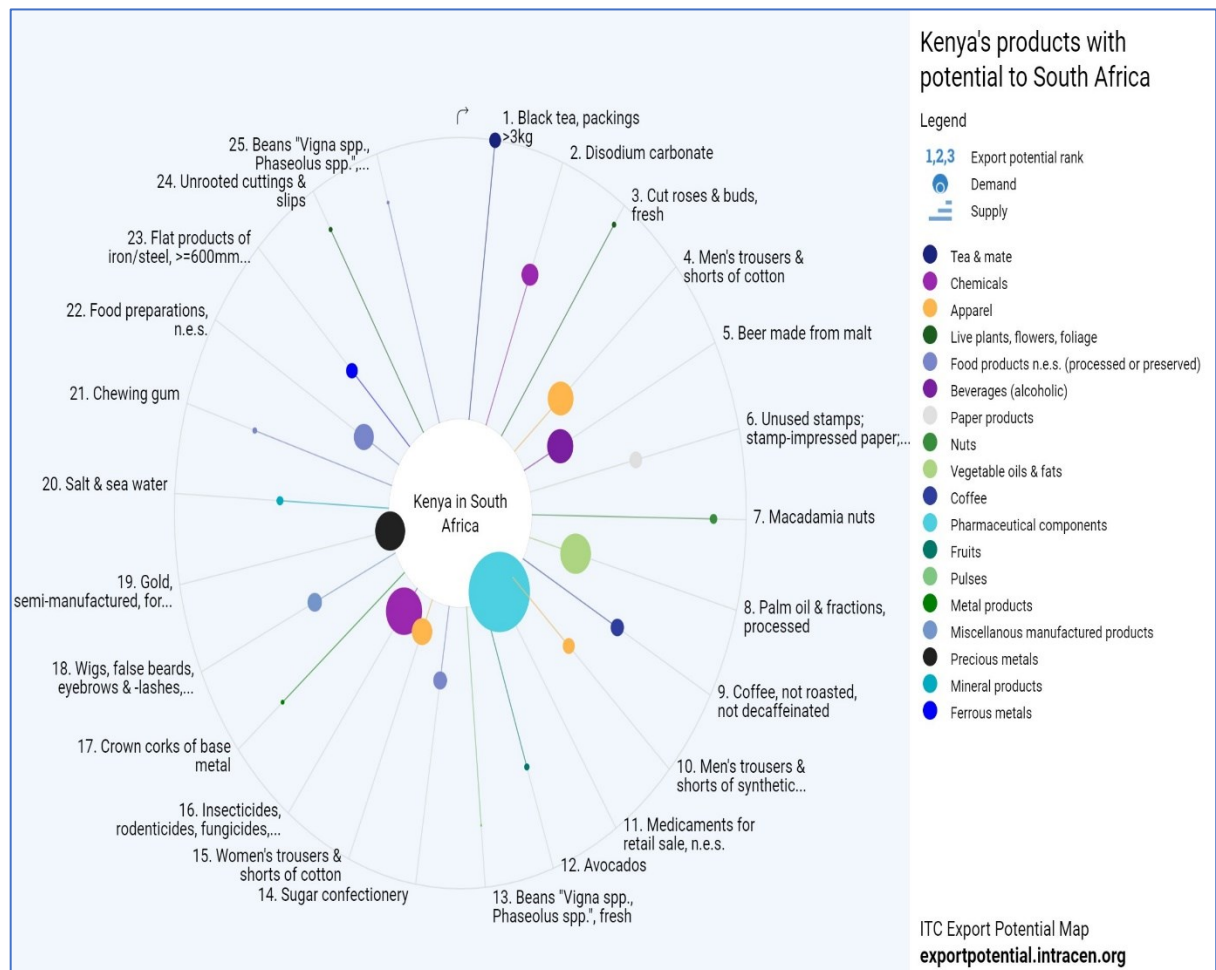
#### 4.2 Import share from South Africa.



Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA

## 5.0 KENYA'S EXPORT POTENTIAL TO SOUTH AFRICA.

Figure 2: Export Potential for Kenya's Product to South Africa.



Source: International Trade Centre database 2024; Compiled by KEPROBA

- The products with greatest export potential from Kenya to South Africa are Black tea, packings >3kg,
- Disodium carbonate and Cut roses & buds, fresh. Kenya has the highest supply capacity in Black tea, packings >3kg.
- Medicaments for retail sale, is the product that faces the strongest demand potential in South Africa.

## ANNEXES



Annex 1: Map of South Africa



Source: Britannica.



## Annex 2: QUICK FACTS

Also Known As	Union of South Africa • Republic of South Africa
Head Of State and Government	President: <a href="#">Cyril Ramaphosa</a>
Capitals (De Facto)	<a href="#">Pretoria</a> <sup>2</sup> (executive); <a href="#">Bloemfontein</a> <sup>3</sup> (judicial); <a href="#">Cape Town</a> (legislative)
Population	(2024 est.) 64,701,000
Currency Exchange Rate	1 USD equals 18.797 South African rand
Form Of Government	multiparty republic with two legislative houses (National Council of Provinces [90]; National Assembly [400])
Official Languages	See footnote 1.
Official Religion	none
Official Name	Republic of South Africa <sup>1</sup>
Total Area (Sq. Km)	1,220,813
Total Area (Sq. Mi)	471,356
Monetary Unit	rand (R)
Population Rank	(2023) 24
Population Projection 2030	61,592,000
Density: Persons Per Sq. Mi	(2024) 137.3
Density: Persons Per Sq. Km	(2024) 53
Urban-Rural Population	Urban: (2020) 67.4% • Rural: (2020) 32.6%
Life Expectancy at Birth	Male: (2022) 60 years • Female: (2022) 65.6 years



Literacy: Percentage of Population Age 15 And Over Literate	Male: not available • Female: not available
Gni (U.S.\$'000,000)	(2023) 407,576
Gni Per Capita (U.S.\$)	(2023) 6,750