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${ }^{1}$ All industries in the South African economy, excluding agriculture, financial intermediation, insurance and government institutions.

## Key findings for the quarter ended December 2008

The total turnover of all industries ${ }^{1}$ for the fourth quarter of 2008 was estimated at R1 342682 million (R1,34 trillion), a decrease of 2,8\% compared with the revised third quarter of 2008 (R1 380865 million or R1,38 trillion).

Between the third and fourth quarter of 2008, turnover decreased in six of the eight industries covered in the survey. The largest decrease in turnover was recorded for electricity, gas and water supply (-25,4\%), followed by mining and quarrying ( $-10,1 \%$ ), manufacturing ( $-6,3 \%$ ), construction ( $-3,3 \%$ ), real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) ( $-2,3 \%$ ) and community, social and personal services (excluding government institutions) (-1,7\%). Increases were reported for transport, storage and communication ( $+4,4 \%$ ) and trade ( $+1,2 \%$ ).

Total inventories at the end of the fourth quarter of 2008 were estimated at R478 758 million, compared with R494 631 million for the revised third quarter of 2008, a decrease of $3,2 \%$. The largest decrease in inventories was recorded for manufacturing ( $-6,9 \%$ ), followed by real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) ( $-3,1 \%$ ) and trade ( $-2,8 \%$ ). Increases were reported for electricity, gas and water supply ( $+16,3 \%$ ), transport, storage and communication ( $+15,2 \%$ ), mining and quarrying $(+3,1 \%)$, construction $(+2,8 \%)$ and community, social and personal services (excluding government institutions) (+2,6\%).

Purchases for the fourth quarter of 2008 were estimated at R764 648 million, compared with R821 044 million for the revised third quarter of 2008, a decrease of $6,9 \%$. The largest decrease in purchases was recorded for manufacturing ( $-15,4 \%$ ), followed by mining and quarrying ( $-8,8 \%$ ), real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) ( $-7,4 \%$ ), electricity, gas and water supply ( $-6,5 \%$ ), trade ( $-2,7 \%$ ) and construction ( $-2,0 \%$ ). Increases were reported for transport, storage and communication ( $+7,4 \%$ ) and community, social and personal services (excluding government institutions) (+1,6\%).

Total capital expenditure on new buildings, improvements, construction works, plant and machinery, furniture, fittings, vehicles and other equipment was estimated at R73 128 million for all industries for the fourth quarter of 2008, an increase of $14,0 \%$ compared with the revised third quarter of 2008 (R64 135 million). The largest increase was reported for transport, storage and communication (+28,4\%), followed by construction ( $+25,8 \%$ ), real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) (+23,3\%), mining and quarrying (+22,6\%) and trade ( $+1,3 \%$ ). Decreases were reported for community, social and personal services (excluding government institutions) (-14,5\%) and manufacturing (-1,6\%). Electricity, gas and water supply remained unchanged.

Turnover for all industries increased by $14,2 \%$ between the fourth quarters of 2007 and 2008. The largest increase was reported by mining and quarrying ( $+27,7 \%$ ), followed by electricity, gas and water supply ( $+26,6 \%$ ), construction ( $+22,1 \%$ ), community, social and personal services (excluding government institutions) (+19,7\%), transport, storage and communication (+17,8\%), manufacturing (+13,7\%), trade $(+12,1 \%)$ and real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) (+5,7\%).

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Figure 1 - Comparison of turnover by industry for the quarter ended September 2008


SIC 2 - Mining and quarrying industry
SIC 3 - Manufacturing industry
SIC 4 - Electricity, gas and water supply industry
SIC 5 - Construction industry
SIC 6 - Trade industry
SIC 7 - Transport, storage and communication industry
SIC 8 - Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance)
SIC 9 - Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government institutions)

Figure 2 - Comparison of turnover by industry for the quarter ended December 2008


[^2]Figure 3 - Comparison of turnover by industry for the quarters ended December 2007 and December 2008


SIC 2 - Mining and quarrying industry
SIC 3 - Manufacturing industry
SIC 4 - Electricity, gas and water supply industry
SIC 5 - Construction industry
SIC 6 - Trade industry
SIC 7 - Transport, storage and communication industry
SIC 8 - Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance)
SIC 9 - Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government institutions)

Figure 4 - Comparison of quarterly turnover for all industries for 2006, 2007 and 2008


## Table 1 - Selected income and expenditure items: All industries ${ }^{1}$

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on yearpercentagechange betweenDecember 2007andDecember 2008$\%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | June <br> 2008 | $\text { September }_{2008^{2}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{3} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received | 1176207 | 1171331 | 1329426 | 1380865 | 1342682 | -2,8 | 14,2 |
| Interest received | 8536 | 9453 | 11025 | 11591 | 12259 | 5,8 | 43,6 |
| Dividends received | 6084 | 7211 | 9255 | 16948 | 25573 | 50,9 | 320,3 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 666 | 624 | 819 | 888 | 952 | 7,2 | 42,9 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 2047 | 2329 | 2223 | 2587 | 2316 | -10,5 | 13,1 |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 1526 | 1486 | 2140 | 2317 | 2458 | 6,1 | 61,1 |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 21857 | 24045 | 13775 | 12725 | 30957 | 143,3 | 41,6 |
| Other income | 20460 | 20562 | 19775 | 19761 | 20004 | 1,2 | -2,2 |
| Total income | 1237383 | 1237041 | 1388438 | 1447682 | 1437201 | -0,7 | 16,1 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 117688 | 111688 | 108338 | 121302 | 127458 | 5,1 | 8,3 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 50680 | 53110 | 67367 | 72315 | 75716 | 4,7 | 49,4 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 188539 | 204856 | 240994 | 273916 | 288359 | 5,3 | 52,9 |
| Total opening values | 356907 | 369654 | 416699 | 467533 | 491533 | 5,1 | 37,7 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 117369 | 115850 | 125806 | 128737 | 119781 | -7,0 | 2,1 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 52789 | 62604 | 75256 | 78392 | 72370 | -7,7 | 37,1 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 196279 | 214921 | 263663 | 287502 | 286607 | -0,3 | 46,0 |
| Total closing values | 366437 | 393375 | 464725 | 494631 | 478758 | -3,2 | 30,7 |

[^3]Table 1 - Selected income and expenditure items: All industries ${ }^{1}$ (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on yearpercentagechange betweenDecember 2007andDecember 2008 <br> $\%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | June <br> 2008 | $\text { September }_{2008^{2}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{3} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 687058 | 691742 | 804289 | 821044 | 764648 | -6,9 | 11,3 |
| Interest paid | 24587 | 24530 | 28143 | 31077 | 32703 | 5,2 | 33,0 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 4396 | 4143 | 4924 | 4530 | 4718 | 4,2 | 7,3 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 17140 | 17555 | 19002 | 20803 | 20818 | 0,1 | 21,5 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 7279 | 7381 | 8506 | 8260 | 8369 | 1,3 | 15,0 |
| Depreciation | 25988 | 26579 | 27590 | 29681 | 31211 | 5,2 | 20,1 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 7522 | 12474 | 10483 | 9561 | 17029 | 78,1 | 126,4 |
| Other expenditure | 329407 | 329983 | 368186 | 376995 | 380634 | 1,0 | 15,6 |
| Total expenditure | 1103377 | 1114387 | 1271123 | 1301951 | 1260130 | -3,2 | 14,2 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 143536 | 146375 | 165341 | 172829 | 164296 | -4,9 | 14,5 |
| Tax and company tax | 33382 | 27757 | 35146 | 37833 | 33716 | -10,9 | 1,0 |
| Dividends payable | 35572 | 34768 | 16269 | 33667 | 32170 | -4,4 | -9,6 |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 1326758 | 1344937 | 1425128 | 1426117 | 1471149 | 3,2 | 10,9 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 20890 | 19749 | 17203 | 21737 | 23902 | 10,0 | 14,4 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 37407 | 46230 | 35426 | 34645 | 41316 | 19,3 | 10,4 |
| Vehicles | 6684 | 6481 | 8142 | 7753 | 7910 | 2,0 | 18,3 |
| Total capital expenditure | 64981 | 72460 | 60771 | 64135 | 73128 | 14,0 | 12,5 |

[^4]
## Table 2 - Selected income and expenditure items: Mining and quarrying industry

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { June } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received | 77253 | 84654 | 111724 | 109743 | 98663 | -10,1 | 27,7 |
| Interest received | 1054 | 1111 | 1391 | 1958 | 1973 | 0,8 | 87,2 |
| Dividends received | 370 | 385 | 339 | 1364 | 994 | -27,1 | 168,6 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 8 | 13 | 20 | 11 | 20 | 81,8 | 150,0 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 11 | 17 | 44 | 44 | 42 | -4,5 | 281,8 |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 144 | 155 | 157 | 162 | 161 | -0,6 | 11,8 |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 2463 | 2768 | 1100 | 2284 | 11923 | 422,0 | 384,1 |
| Other income | 516 | 736 | 592 | 774 | 1344 | 73,6 | 160,5 |
| Total income | 81819 | 89839 | 115367 | 116340 | 115120 | -1,0 | 40,7 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 9824 | 7718 | 8361 | 11373 | 13158 | 15,7 | 33,9 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 6659 | 8522 | 9983 | 10006 | 13386 | 33,8 | 101,0 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 8803 | 8931 | 10529 | 11182 | 14089 | 26,0 | 60,0 |
| Total opening values | 25286 | 25171 | 28873 | 32561 | 40633 | 24,8 | 60,7 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 8668 | 7909 | 10921 | 13563 | 13665 | 0,8 | 57,6 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 7127 | 9797 | 12362 | 13656 | 13547 | -0,8 | 90,1 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 8965 | 10452 | 11081 | 14087 | 15375 | 9,1 | 71,5 |
| Total closing values | 24760 | 28158 | 34364 | 41306 | 42587 | 3,1 | 72,0 |

[^5]
## Table 2 - Selected income and expenditure items: Mining and quarrying industry (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and <br> December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 21240 | 23503 | 29018 | 33022 | 30113 | -8,8 | 41,8 |
| Interest paid | 2030 | 2128 | 2662 | 2600 | 2642 | 1,6 | 30,1 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 299 | 297 | 320 | 221 | 173 | -21,7 | -42,1 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 1051 | 1006 | 1075 | 1502 | 1145 | -23,8 | 8,9 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 539 | 634 | 678 | 715 | 700 | -2,1 | 29,9 |
| Depreciation | 4883 | 4931 | 5316 | 5962 | 6630 | 11,2 | 35,8 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 559 | 1674 | 1535 | 997 | 2796 | 180,4 | 400,2 |
| Other expenditure | 28318 | 29689 | 34763 | 36088 | 35292 | -2,2 | 24,6 |
| Total expenditure | 58919 | 63862 | 75367 | 81107 | 79491 | -2,0 | 34,9 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 22374 | 28964 | 45491 | 43978 | 37583 | -14,5 | 68,0 |
| Tax and company tax | 6623 | 5179 | 8776 | 10311 | 8564 | -16,9 | 29,3 |
| Dividends payable | 6732 | 5848 | 2003 | 7345 | 9098 | 23,9 | 35,1 |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 241823 | 236591 | 262431 | 241057 | 252303 | 4,7 | 4,3 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 5784 | 2248 | 3177 | 3176 | 4077 | 28,4 | -29,5 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 6958 | 5448 | 10729 | 9536 | 11107 | 16,5 | 59,6 |
| Vehicles | 278 | 254 | 793 | 594 | 1123 | 89,1 | 304,0 |
| Total capital expenditure | 13020 | 7950 | 14699 | 13306 | 16307 | 22,6 | 25,2 |

[^6]Table 3 - Selected income and expenditure items: Manufacturing industry

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received | 342348 | 336930 | 387815 | 415363 | 389114 | -6,3 | 13,7 |
| Interest received | 2845 | 2832 | 3521 | 3321 | 3529 | 6,3 | 24,0 |
| Dividends received | 1063 | 627 | 496 | 619 | 786 | 27,0 | -26,1 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 53 | 56 | 52 | 61 | 74 | 21,3 | 39,6 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 276 | 244 | 250 | 260 | 232 | -10,8 | -15,9 |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 131 | 139 | 126 | 158 | 143 | -9,5 | 9,2 |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 8558 | 10055 | 6289 | 4918 | 13041 | 165,2 | 52,4 |
| Other income | 2562 | 2281 | 2962 | 3284 | 3208 | -2,3 | 25,2 |
| Total income | 357836 | 353164 | 401511 | 427984 | 410127 | -4,2 | 14,6 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 61795 | 60492 | 65354 | 78317 | 81411 | 4,0 | 31,7 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 24627 | 24657 | 32320 | 34886 | 33712 | -3,4 | 36,9 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 69995 | 71396 | 80515 | 91564 | 96779 | 5,7 | 38,3 |
| Total opening values | 156417 | 156545 | 178189 | 204767 | 211902 | 3,5 | 35,5 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 60947 | 65823 | 78348 | 82227 | 72525 | -11,8 | 19,0 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 24167 | 28752 | 34510 | 35916 | 32399 | -9,8 | 34,1 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 70309 | 74946 | 90062 | 95470 | 94034 | -1,5 | 33,7 |
| Total closing values | 155423 | 169521 | 202920 | 213613 | 198958 | -6,9 | 28,0 |

[^7]Table 3 - Selected income and expenditure items: Manufacturing industry (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { June } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 215714 | 224597 | 270196 | 276308 | 233873 | -15,4 | 8,4 |
| Interest paid | 6698 | 6942 | 7521 | 9003 | 8666 | -3,7 | 29,4 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 1976 | 1785 | 2089 | 2028 | 2155 | 6,3 | 9,1 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 2818 | 2783 | 3046 | 3383 | 3389 | 0,2 | 20,3 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 892 | 907 | 1101 | 1202 | 1142 | -5,0 | 28,0 |
| Depreciation | 6572 | 6586 | 6673 | 6966 | 7394 | 6,1 | 12,5 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 3500 | 4859 | 3724 | 2921 | 7535 | 158,0 | 115,3 |
| Other expenditure | 81991 | 76843 | 86801 | 89643 | 93973 | 4,8 | 14,6 |
| Total expenditure | 320161 | 325302 | 381151 | 391454 | 358127 | -8,5 | 11,9 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 36681 | 40838 | 45091 | 45376 | 39056 | -13,9 | 6,5 |
| Tax and company tax | 8073 | 9830 | 12285 | 11133 | 9328 | -16,2 | 15,5 |
| Dividends payable | 18876 | 13905 | 4127 | 9831 | 12203 | 24,1 | -35,4 |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 259246 | 258147 | 277005 | 278462 | 282242 | 1,4 | 8,9 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 757 | 764 | 1061 | 1434 | 1128 | -21,3 | 49,0 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 11531 | 8995 | 10683 | 8397 | 8472 | 0,9 | -26,5 |
| Vehicles | 824 | 881 | 845 | 893 | 954 | 6,8 | 15,8 |
| Total capital expenditure | 13112 | 10640 | 12589 | 10724 | 10554 | -1,6 | -19,5 |

[^8]
## Table 4-Selected income and expenditure items: Electricity, gas and water supply industry

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{10} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received | 13759 | 13521 | 16854 | 23334 | 17414 | -25,4 | 26,6 |
| Interest received | 451 | 785 | 1159 | 639 | 848 | 32,7 | 88,0 |
| Dividends received | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 2 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0,0 | -50,0 |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | -100,0 |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 22 | 23 | 33 | 50 | 43 | -14,0 | 95,5 |
| Other income | 2265 | 186 | 1121 | 2256 | 2291 | 1,6 | 1,1 |
| Total income | 16501 | 14527 | 19168 | 26280 | 20597 | -21,6 | 24,8 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 3649 | 3650 | 4024 | 4799 | 5486 | 14,3 | 50,3 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 3 | 3 | 74 | 71 | 89 | 25,4 | 2866,7 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 28 | 51 | 179 | 219 | 228 | 4,1 | 714,3 |
| Total opening values | 3680 | 3704 | 4277 | 5089 | 5803 | 14,0 | 57,7 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 3653 | 3831 | 4853 | 5486 | 6399 | 16,6 | 75,2 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 5 | 6 | 76 | 89 | 100 | 12,4 | 1900,0 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 39 | 62 | 157 | 228 | 247 | 8,3 | 533,3 |
| Total closing values | 3697 | 3899 | 5086 | 5803 | 6746 | 16,3 | 82,5 |

[^9]Table 4 - Selected income and expenditure items: Electricity, gas and water supply industry (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 1812 | 1804 | 2429 | 2807 | 2624 | -6,5 | 44,8 |
| Interest paid | 826 | 1229 | 1318 | 1813 | 1876 | 3,5 | 127,1 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 47 | 40 | 98 | 18 | 18 | 0,0 | -61,7 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 129 | 124 | 130 | 179 | 166 | -7,3 | 28,7 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 20 | 19 | 20 | 17 | 18 | 5,9 | -10,0 |
| Depreciation | 1216 | 1315 | 1331 | 1350 | 1394 | 3,3 | 14,6 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 2 | 1 | 103 | 28 | 70 | 150,0 | 3400,0 |
| Other expenditure | 10721 | 12361 | 11134 | 16404 | 11306 | -31,1 | 5,5 |
| Total expenditure | 14773 | 16893 | 16563 | 22616 | 17472 | -22,7 | 18,3 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 1745 | -2 171 | 3414 | 4378 | 4068 | -7,1 | 133,1 |
| Tax and company tax | 3738 | -2 854 | 302 | 1298 | 1254 | -3,4 | -66,5 |
| Dividends payable | 0 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 0,0 |  |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 105215 | 111604 | 119271 | 128285 | 140443 | 9,5 | 33,5 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 5776 | 5919 | 7514 | 9041 | 9007 | -0,4 | 55,9 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 471 | 1695 | 715 | 357 | 417 | 16,8 | -11,5 |
| Vehicles | 95 | 126 | 68 | 77 | 55 | -28,6 | -42,1 |
| Total capital expenditure | 6342 | 7740 | 8297 | 9475 | 9479 | 0,0 | 49,5 |

${ }_{2}^{1}$ Revised.
${ }^{2}$ Preliminary.

Table 5 - Selected income and expenditure items: Construction industry

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received | 54773 | 56701 | 64597 | 69165 | 66897 | -3,3 | 22,1 |
| Interest received | 342 | 463 | 451 | 521 | 542 | 4,0 | 58,5 |
| Dividends received | 284 | 274 | 160 | 28 | 127 | 353,6 | -55,3 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 169 | 145 | 57 | 40 | 41 | 2,5 | -75,7 |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 260 | 205 | 276 | 327 | 329 | 0,6 | 26,5 |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 279 | 726 | 345 | 171 | 345 | 101,8 | 23,7 |
| Other income | 1105 | 1290 | 1525 | 664 | 695 | 4,7 | -37,1 |
| Total income | 57212 | 59804 | 67411 | 70916 | 68976 | -2,7 | 20,6 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 1201 | 1284 | 1785 | 1961 | 1955 | -0,3 | 62,8 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 9389 | 9219 | 11948 | 11981 | 11762 | -1,8 | 25,3 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 2375 | 3018 | 3798 | 4078 | 3781 | -7,3 | 59,2 |
| Total opening values | 12965 | 13521 | 17531 | 18020 | 17498 | -2,9 | 35,0 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 1320 | 1428 | 1950 | 1968 | 1954 | -0,7 | 48,0 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 9253 | 11694 | 12215 | 11794 | 12042 | 2,1 | 30,1 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 2835 | 3240 | 4361 | 3787 | 4044 | 6,8 | 42,6 |
| Total closing values | 13408 | 16362 | 18526 | 17549 | 18040 | 2,8 | 34,5 |

[^10]Table 5 - Selected income and expenditure items: Construction industry (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 31314 | 35014 | 38436 | 39259 | 38467 | -2,0 | 22,8 |
| Interest paid | 389 | 474 | 488 | 459 | 477 | 3,9 | 22,6 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 51 | 43 | 51 | 17 | 32 | 88,2 | -37,3 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 326 | 397 | 449 | 395 | 401 | 1,5 | 23,0 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 2214 | 1640 | 2668 | 2628 | 2611 | -0,6 | 17,9 |
| Depreciation | 774 | 852 | 948 | 958 | 948 | -1,0 | 22,5 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 34 | 92 | 185 | 246 | 193 | -21,5 | 467,6 |
| Other expenditure | 17989 | 20515 | 23041 | 23720 | 23762 | 0,2 | 32,1 |
| Total expenditure | 53091 | 59027 | 66266 | 67682 | 66891 | -1,2 | 26,0 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 4564 | 3618 | 2140 | 2763 | 2627 | -4,9 | -42,4 |
| Tax and company tax | 883 | 893 | 560 | 543 | 499 | -8,1 | -43,5 |
| Dividends payable | 1639 | 1384 | 317 | 938 | 682 | -27,3 | -58,4 |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 24828 | 25941 | 21287 | 22593 | 23650 | 4,7 | -4,7 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 143 | 70 | 70 | 130 | 73 | -43,8 | -49,0 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 859 | 1008 | 1365 | 1176 | 1600 | 36,1 | 86,3 |
| Vehicles | 339 | 465 | 295 | 265 | 304 | 14,7 | -10,3 |
| Total capital expenditure | 1341 | 1543 | 1730 | 1571 | 1977 | 25,8 | 47,4 |

[^11]Table 6 - Selected income and expenditure items: Trade industry

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { June } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received | 440024 | 436307 | 480973 | 487285 | 493266 | 1,2 | 12,1 |
| Interest received | 2717 | 2868 | 3149 | 3357 | 3374 | 0,5 | 24,2 |
| Dividends received | 384 | 572 | 499 | 659 | 1110 | 68,4 | 189,1 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 217 | 207 | 292 | 267 | 291 | 9,0 | 34,1 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 642 | 686 | 674 | 783 | 771 | -1,5 | 20,1 |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 614 | 661 | 1059 | 1385 | 1433 | 3,5 | 133,4 |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 1047 | 1837 | 1299 | 901 | 1719 | 90,8 | 64,2 |
| Other income | 5198 | 5603 | 5492 | 4512 | 4986 | 10,5 | -4,1 |
| Total income | 450843 | 448741 | 493437 | 499149 | 506950 | 1,6 | 12,4 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 31583 | 28504 | 18734 | 14311 | 14638 | 2,3 | -53,7 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 5870 | 6483 | 6377 | 8737 | 10395 | 19,0 | 77,1 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 98576 | 113083 | 135585 | 154072 | 161051 | 4,5 | 63,4 |
| Total opening values | 136029 | 148070 | 160696 | 177120 | 186084 | 5,1 | 36,8 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 32666 | 27296 | 19629 | 14663 | 13179 | -10,1 | -59,7 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 7750 | 7515 | 9365 | 10395 | 7964 | -23,4 | 2,8 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 105579 | 117540 | 145908 | 160975 | 159604 | -0,9 | 51,2 |
| Total closing values | 145995 | 152351 | 174902 | 186033 | 180747 | -2,8 | 23,8 |

[^12]Table 6 - Selected income and expenditure items: Trade industry (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on yearpercentagechange betweenDecember 2007andDecember 2008$\%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 344788 | 334495 | 374538 | 381601 | 371217 | -2,7 | 7,7 |
| Interest paid | 5056 | 4318 | 5470 | 6154 | 6656 | 8,2 | 31,6 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 999 | 970 | 1352 | 1395 | 1508 | 8,1 | 51,0 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 6625 | 6552 | 7972 | 7979 | 8294 | 3,9 | 25,2 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 784 | 782 | 1254 | 1153 | 1175 | 1,9 | 49,9 |
| Depreciation | 4110 | 4397 | 4674 | 5078 | 5153 | 1,5 | 25,4 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 1354 | 1835 | 2491 | 1677 | 3233 | 92,8 | 138,8 |
| Other expenditure | 67876 | 69874 | 80212 | 73591 | 75898 | 3,1 | 11,8 |
| Total expenditure | 431592 | 423223 | 477963 | 478628 | 473134 | -1,1 | 9,6 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 29217 | 29799 | 29680 | 29434 | 28479 | -3,2 | -2,5 |
| Tax and company tax | 5550 | 5856 | 5739 | 5979 | 6314 | 5,6 | 13,8 |
| Dividends payable | 1529 | 2434 | 2360 | 6131 | 4042 | -34,1 | 164,4 |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 170239 | 163255 | 191091 | 188653 | 192861 | 2,2 | 13,3 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 1522 | 1473 | 1642 | 1677 | 1748 | 4,2 | 14,8 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 3568 | 2367 | 3053 | 2732 | 3288 | 20,4 | -7,8 |
| Vehicles | 2560 | 1352 | 2335 | 2534 | 1999 | -21,1 | -21,9 |
| Total capital expenditure | 7650 | 5192 | 7030 | 6943 | 7035 | 1,3 | -8,0 |

[^13]Table 7-Selected income and expenditure items: Transport, storage and communication industry

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and <br> December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received | 100565 | 97002 | 107217 | 113550 | 118490 | 4,4 | 17,8 |
| Interest received | 839 | 987 | 911 | 1316 | 1530 | 16,3 | 82,4 |
| Dividends received | 1581 | 2850 | 476 | 1646 | 1695 | 3,0 | 7,2 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 23 | 22 | 19 | 23 | 28 | 21,7 | 21,7 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 756 | 969 | 924 | 1246 | 1009 | -19,0 | 33,5 |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 349 | 302 | 497 | 263 | 371 | 41,1 | 6,3 |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 401 | 2040 | 787 | 1503 | 950 | -36,8 | 136,9 |
| Other income | 2434 | 2391 | 2882 | 3968 | 2911 | -26,6 | 19,6 |
| Total income | 106948 | 106563 | 113713 | 123515 | 126984 | 2,8 | 18,7 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 5196 | 5749 | 4962 | 5048 | 5503 | 9,0 | 5,9 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 529 | 527 | 1717 | 1757 | 1434 | -18,4 | 171,1 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 3716 | 3224 | 4471 | 4889 | 5117 | 4,7 | 37,7 |
| Total opening values | 9441 | 9500 | 11150 | 11694 | 12054 | 3,1 | 27,7 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 5550 | 5416 | 4939 | 5364 | 6432 | 19,9 | 15,9 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 509 | 661 | 1867 | 1434 | 1533 | 6,9 | 201,2 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 3220 | 3644 | 5254 | 5106 | 5753 | 12,7 | 78,7 |
| Total closing values | 9279 | 9721 | 12060 | 11904 | 13718 | 15,2 | 47,8 |

[^14]Table 7-Selected income and expenditure items: Transport, storage and communication industry (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { June } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 34913 | 33827 | 41030 | 42076 | 45202 | 7,4 | 29,5 |
| Interest paid | 2898 | 3011 | 3425 | 3788 | 4277 | 12,9 | 47,6 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 328 | 301 | 306 | 309 | 303 | -1,9 | -7,6 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 1746 | 1654 | 1897 | 3039 | 2988 | -1,7 | 71,1 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 1954 | 2512 | 1804 | 1579 | 1796 | 13,7 | -8,1 |
| Depreciation | 4929 | 4948 | 5478 | 5916 | 6288 | 6,3 | 27,6 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 417 | 1776 | 557 | 1993 | 1049 | -47,4 | 151,6 |
| Other expenditure | 45571 | 45623 | 49719 | 52058 | 56903 | 9,3 | 24,9 |
| Total expenditure | 92756 | 93652 | 104216 | 110758 | 118806 | 7,3 | 28,1 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 14030 | 13132 | 10407 | 12967 | 9842 | -24,1 | -29,9 |
| Tax and company tax | 3311 | 4271 | 2948 | 3523 | 2865 | -18,7 | -13,5 |
| Dividends payable | 1727 | 6230 | 2668 | 5449 | 1637 | -70,0 | -5,2 |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 194211 | 222001 | 231498 | 246431 | 256768 | 4,2 | 32,2 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 541 | 4557 | 1269 | 2969 | 3185 | 7,3 | 488,7 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 12005 | 24611 | 6440 | 10868 | 14871 | 36,8 | 23,9 |
| Vehicles | 1531 | 1451 | 840 | 1122 | 1156 | 3,0 | -24,5 |
| Total capital expenditure | 14077 | 30619 | 8549 | 14959 | 19212 | 28,4 | 36,5 |

[^15]Table 8 - Selected income and expenditure items: Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received * | 126227 | 124907 | 135188 | 136535 | 133385 | -2,3 | 5,7 |
| Interest received | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Dividends received | 2326 | 2309 | 7248 | 12592 | 20824 | 65,4 | 795,3 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 317 | 278 | 333 | 422 | 437 | 3,6 | 37,9 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 5745 | 5274 | 3754 | 2835 | 2883 | 1,7 | -49,8 |
| Other income | 4912 | 6479 | 3463 | 2570 | 2807 | 9,2 | -42,9 |
| Total income | 139527 | 139247 | 149986 | 154954 | 160336 | 3,5 | 14,9 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 3971 | 3797 | 4240 | 4574 | 4398 | -3,8 | 10,8 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 3093 | 3048 | 4814 | 4758 | 4842 | 1,8 | 56,5 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 4161 | 4075 | 5154 | 7162 | 6606 | -7,8 | 58,8 |
| Total opening values | 11225 | 10920 | 14208 | 16494 | 15846 | -3,9 | 41,2 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 4065 | 3667 | 4259 | 4592 | 4605 | 0,3 | 13,3 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 3461 | 3502 | 4724 | 5015 | 4686 | -6,6 | 35,4 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 4418 | 4015 | 6036 | 6999 | 6806 | -2,8 | 54,1 |
| Total closing values | 11944 | 11184 | 15019 | 16606 | 16097 | -3,1 | 34,8 |

[^16]Table 8 - Selected income and expenditure items: Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 32565 | 34164 | 41963 | 39557 | 36633 | -7,4 | 12,5 |
| Interest paid | 6163 | 5757 | 6484 | 6287 | 7101 | 12,9 | 15,2 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 590 | 605 | 514 | 346 | 321 | -7,2 | -45,6 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 3741 | 4337 | 3617 | 3543 | 3595 | 1,5 | -3,9 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 645 | 602 | 706 | 710 | 685 | -3,5 | 6,2 |
| Depreciation | 2788 | 2826 | 2405 | 2653 | 2638 | -0,6 | -5,4 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 1563 | 2137 | 1798 | 1582 | 2026 | 28,1 | 29,6 |
| Other expenditure | 63693 | 62072 | 67927 | 69951 | 67610 | -3,3 | 6,1 |
| Total expenditure | 111748 | 112500 | 125414 | 124629 | 120609 | -3,2 | 7,9 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 28498 | 27011 | 25383 | 30437 | 39978 | 31,3 | 40,3 |
| Tax and company tax | 4579 | 3836 | 3808 | 4421 | 4327 | -2,1 | -5,5 |
| Dividends payable | 4781 | 4070 | 4136 | 3655 | 4305 | 17,8 | -10,0 |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 301886 | 297721 | 289708 | 292641 | 294530 | 0,6 | -2,4 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 5885 | 4448 | 2015 | 3087 | 4521 | 46,5 | -23,2 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 1540 | 1687 | 2111 | 1207 | 1222 | 1,2 | -20,6 |
| Vehicles | 965 | 1846 | 2882 | 2178 | 2235 | 2,6 | 131,6 |
| Total capital expenditure | 8390 | 7981 | 7008 | 6472 | 7978 | 23,3 | -4,9 |

[^17]Table 9 - Selected income and expenditure items: Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government institutions)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Income items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover received | 21258 | 21309 | 25058 | 25890 | 25453 | -1,7 | 19,7 |
| Interest received | 288 | 407 | 443 | 479 | 463 | -3,3 | 60,8 |
| Dividends received | 76 | 194 | 37 | 40 | 37 | -7,5 | -51,3 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received | 48 | 48 | 103 | 104 | 102 | -1,9 | 112,5 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received | 191 | 257 | 273 | 213 | 220 | 3,3 | 15,2 |
| Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received | 26 | 23 | 25 | 22 | 21 | -4,5 | -19,2 |
| Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued | 3342 | 1322 | 168 | 63 | 53 | -15,9 | -98,4 |
| Other income | 1468 | 1596 | 1738 | 1733 | 1762 | 1,7 | 20,0 |
| Total income | 26697 | 25156 | 27845 | 28544 | 28111 | -1,5 | 5,3 |
| Inventories |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening value of raw materials | 469 | 494 | 878 | 919 | 909 | -1,1 | 93,8 |
| Opening value of work in progress | 510 | 651 | 134 | 119 | 96 | -19,3 | -81,2 |
| Opening value of finished goods | 885 | 1078 | 763 | 750 | 708 | -5,6 | -20,0 |
| Total opening values | 1864 | 2223 | 1775 | 1788 | 1713 | -4,2 | -8,1 |
| Closing value of raw materials | 500 | 480 | 907 | 874 | 1022 | 16,9 | 104,4 |
| Closing value of work in progress | 517 | 677 | 137 | 93 | 99 | 6,5 | -80,9 |
| Closing value of finished goods | 914 | 1022 | 804 | 850 | 744 | -12,5 | -18,6 |
| Total closing values | 1931 | 2179 | 1848 | 1817 | 1865 | 2,6 | -3,4 |

[^18]Table 9 - Selected income and expenditure items: Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government institutions) (concluded)

| Item | Quarter ended |  |  |  |  | Change between quarters ended September 2008 and December 2008 \% | Year on year percentage change between December 2007 and December 2008 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2007 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | June 2008 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Expenditure items |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases | 4712 | 4338 | 6679 | 6414 | 6519 | 1,6 | 38,3 |
| Interest paid | 527 | 671 | 775 | 973 | 1008 | 3,6 | 91,3 |
| Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid | 106 | 102 | 194 | 196 | 208 | 6,1 | 96,2 |
| Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid | 704 | 702 | 816 | 783 | 840 | 7,3 | 19,3 |
| Hiring/leasing for plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid | 231 | 285 | 275 | 256 | 242 | -5,5 | 4,8 |
| Depreciation | 716 | 724 | 765 | 798 | 766 | -4,0 | 7,0 |
| Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued | 93 | 100 | 90 | 117 | 127 | 8,5 | 36,6 |
| Other expenditure | 13248 | 13006 | 14589 | 15540 | 15890 | 2,3 | 19,9 |
| Total expenditure | 20337 | 19928 | 24183 | 25077 | 25600 | 2,1 | 25,9 |
| Net profit or loss before taxation | 6427 | 5184 | 3735 | 3496 | 2663 | -23,8 | -58,6 |
| Tax and company tax | 625 | 746 | 728 | 625 | 565 | -9,6 | -9,6 |
| Dividends payable | 288 | 880 | 642 | 302 | 187 | -38,1 | -35,1 |
| Book value of fixed assets as at the end of quarter | 29310 | 29677 | 32837 | 27995 | 28352 | 1,3 | -3,3 |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, machinery, furniture, vehicles and other equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buildings, improvement and construction works | 482 | 270 | 455 | 223 | 163 | -26,9 | -66,2 |
| Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment | 475 | 419 | 330 | 372 | 339 | -8,9 | -28,6 |
| Vehicles | 92 | 106 | 84 | 90 | 84 | -6,7 | -8,7 |
| Total capital expenditure | 1049 | 795 | 869 | 685 | 586 | -14,5 | -44,1 |

[^19]Table 10 - Comparison of selected operating ratios between September and December 2008

| Industry | Turnover I Fixed assets ${ }^{3}$ |  | Net profit before tax I Turnover ${ }^{4}$ |  | Turnover I Closing inventories ${ }^{5}$ |  | Net profit before tax I Fixed assets ${ }^{6}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ |
| Mining and quarrying | 0,46 | 0,39 | 0,40 | 0,38 | 2,66 | 2,32 | 0,18 | 0,15 |
| Manufacturing | 1,49 | 1,38 | 0,11 | 0,10 | 1,94 | 1,96 | 0,16 | 0,14 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | 0,18 | 0,12 | 0,19 | 0,23 | 4,02 | 2,58 | 0,03 | 0,03 |
| Construction | 3,06 | 2,83 | 0,04 | 0,04 | 3,94 | 3,71 | 0,12 | 0,11 |
| Trade | 2,58 | 2,56 | 0,06 | 0,06 | 2,62 | 2,73 | 0,16 | 0,15 |
| Transport, storage and communication | 0,46 | 0,46 | 0,11 | 0,08 | 9,54 | 8,64 | 0,05 | 0,04 |
| Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance | 0,47 | 0,45 | 0,22 | 0,30 | 8,22 | 8,29 | 0,10 | 0,14 |
| Community, social and personal services, excluding government institutions | 0,92 | 0,90 | 0,14 | 0,10 | 14,25 | 13,65 | 0,12 | 0,09 |
| All industries | 0,97 | 0,91 | 0,13 | 0,12 | 2,79 | 2,80 | 0,12 | 0,11 |

${ }_{2}^{1}$ Revised.
${ }^{2}$ Preliminary.
${ }^{3}$ Turnover / Book value of fixed assets at the end of quarter.
${ }^{4}$ Net profit before providing for company tax / Turnover.
${ }^{5}$ Turnover / Closing value of inventories.
${ }^{6}$ Net profit before providing for company tax / Book value of fixed assets at the end of quarter.

Table 10 - Comparison of selected operating ratios between September and December 2008 (concluded)

| Industry | Total capital expenditure/ Fixed assets ${ }^{3}$ |  | Cost of Sales / Average inventories ${ }^{4}$ |  | Net profit before interest and income tax expenses / Interest expense ${ }^{5}$ |  | Cash dividends / Net income ${ }^{6}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 200 \mathbf{B}^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & \mathbf{2 0 0 8}^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { December } \\ & 2008^{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 2008^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 2008^{2} \end{gathered}$ |
| Mining and quarrying | 0,06 | 0,06 | 0,66 | 0,68 | 17,91 | 15,23 | 0,22 | 0,31 |
| Manufacturing | 0,04 | 0,04 | 1,28 | 1,20 | 6,04 | 5,51 | 0,29 | 0,41 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | 0,07 | 0,07 | 0,38 | 0,27 | 3,41 | 3,17 | 0,01 | 0,01 |
| Construction | 0,07 | 0,08 | 2,23 | 2,13 | 7,02 | 6,51 | 0,42 | 0,32 |
| Trade | 0,04 | 0,04 | 2,05 | 2,05 | 5,78 | 5,28 | 0,26 | 0,18 |
| Transport, storage and communication | 0,06 | 0,07 | 3,55 | 3,38 | 4,42 | 3,30 | 0,58 | 0,23 |
| Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance | 0,02 | 0,03 | 2,38 | 2,28 | 5,84 | 6,63 | 0,14 | 0,12 |
| Community, social and personal services, excluding government institutions | 0,02 | 0,02 | 3,54 | 3,56 | 4,59 | 3,64 | 0,11 | 0,09 |
| All industries | 0,04 | 0,05 | 1,65 | 1,60 | 6,56 | 6,02 | 0,25 | 0,25 |

${ }^{1}$ Revised.
${ }^{2}$ Preliminary.
${ }^{3}$ Total capital expenditure on new assets / Book value of fixed assets at the end of quarter
${ }_{5}^{4}$ (Opening stock + Purchases - Closing stock) / (Opening stock + Closing stock) $\div 2$.
${ }^{5}$ (Net profit before providing for company tax + Interest paid) / Interest paid.
${ }^{6}$ Dividends paid / (Net profit before providing for company tax - Company tax).

## Technical notes

## Confidence intervals

The 95\% confidence intervals of a population parameter (turnover) are obtained as follows:

Lower limit
= lower 95\% confidence limit of a population parameter
= estimate $-1,96^{*}$ Standard error (estimate);
and
Upper limit
= upper 95\% confidence limit of a population parameter
$=$ estimate $+1,96^{*}$ Standard error (estimate)

## Standard error (SE)

Standard error $=\underline{\text { Upper Limit }(\mathrm{R} \text { million })-\text { Lower Limit }(\mathrm{R} \text { million })} \underset{2 * 1.96}{ }$
$=\underline{\text { SE (estimate)*100 }}$
estimate

Table A - Estimates of turnover by industry within 95\% confidence limits: September 2008

| Industry | Lower limit | Estimate | Upper limit | Relative standard error |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million | R million | R million | (RSE) |
| Mining and quarrying | 108824 | 109743 | 110662 | 0,4 |
| Manufacturing | 407721 | 415363 | 423005 | 0,9 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | 22832 | 23334 | 23836 | 1,1 |
| Construction | 63365 | 69165 | 74965 | 4,3 |
| Trade | 463408 | 487285 | 511162 | 2,5 |
| Transport, storage and communication | 110051 | 113550 | 117049 | 1,6 |
| Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance | 123673 | 136535 | 149397 | 4,8 |
| Community, social and personal services, excluding government institutions | 24071 | 25890 | 27709 | 3,6 |

Table B - Estimates of turnover by industry within 95\% confidence limits: December 2008

| Industry | Lower limit | Estimate | Upper limit | Relative standard error |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million | R million | R million | (RSE) |
| Mining and quarrying | 97589 | 98663 | 99737 | 0,6 |
| Manufacturing | 380568 | 389114 | 397660 | 1,1 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | 17014 | 17414 | 17814 | 1,2 |
| Construction | 60984 | 66897 | 72810 | 4,5 |
| Trade | 469095 | 493266 | 517437 | 2,5 |
| Transport, storage and communication | 114578 | 118490 | 122402 | 1,7 |
| Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance | 121411 | 133385 | 145359 | 4,6 |
| Community, social and personal services, excluding government institutions | 23462 | 25453 | 27444 | 4,0 |

Table C - Differences in turnover by industry between September 2008 and December 2008 and between
December 2007 and December 2008

| Industry | Turnover December 2007 | Turnover September 2008 | Turnover December 2008 | Difference between September 2008 and December 2008 | Difference between December 2007 and December2008 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R million | R million | R million | \% | \% |
| Mining and quarrying | 77253 | 109743 | 98663 | -10,1 | 27,7 |
| Manufacturing | 342348 | 415363 | 389114 | -6,3 | 13,7 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | 13759 | 23334 | 17414 | -25,4 | 26,6 |
| Construction | 54773 | 69165 | 66897 | -3,3 | 22,1 |
| Trade | 440024 | 487285 | 493266 | 1,2 | 12,1 |
| Transport, storage and communication | 100565 | 113550 | 118490 | 4,4 | 17,8 |
| Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance | 126227 | 136535 | 133385 | -2,3 | 5,7 |
| Community, social and personal services, excluding government institutions | 21258 | 25890 | 25453 | -1,7 | 19,7 |
| All industries | 1176207 | 1380865 | 1342682 | -2,8 | 14,2 |

## Neyman Optimal Allocation

Before drawing samples in each of the surveys the population of enterprises on the Business Sampling Frame (BSF) was stratified. Strata were formed using a combination of the standard industrial classification variable and the measure of size variable for enterprises. The Neyman optimal allocation formula used to allocate samples to each stratum is given by a formula below.

$$
\mathrm{n}_{\mathrm{h}}=\frac{\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{h}} \mathrm{~S}_{\mathrm{h}}}{\sum \mathrm{~N}_{\mathrm{h}} \mathrm{~S}_{\mathrm{h}}}
$$

where $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{h}}$ and $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{h}}$ are the stratum population size and the stratum variance, respectively.

Table D - DTI cut-off points adjusted by Stats SA for QFS

| Industry | Enterprise size |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Large (Size-group 1) Lower limits Rand | Medium (Size-group 2) Lower limits Rand | Small (Size-group 3) Lower limits Rand | Very small (Size-group 4) Lower limits Rand |
| Mining and quarrying | 195000000 | 50000000 | 20000000 | 6431923 |
| Manufacturing | 255000000 | 65000000 | 25000000 | 4832953 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | 255000000 | 65000000 | 25500000 | 4547606 |
| Construction | 130000000 | 30000000 | 15000000 | 2005757 |
| Wholesale trade | 320000000 | 160000000 | 30000000 | 7295963 |
| Retail trade | 195000000 | 95000000 | 20000000 | 2632532 |
| Motor trade | 195000000 | 95000000 | 20000000 | 5224413 |
| Accommodation and catering | 65000000 | 30000000 | 25500000 | 1196130 |
| Transport, Storage and communication | 130000000 | 65000000 | 15000000 | 1587986 |
| Real estate and other businesses services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance | 130000000 | 65000000 | 15000000 | 1424090 |
| Community, social and personal services, excluding government institutions | 65000000 | 30000000 | 5000000 | 1023261 |

Source: National Small Business Amendment Bill 2003, Department of Trade and Industry

## Explanatory notes

Introduction

## Purpose of the survey

1 Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a quarterly sample survey to collect a range of financial statistics in respect of enterprises in the formal non-agricultural business sector of the South African economy, excluding financial intermediation and insurance and government institutions. The statistical release contains information regarding:

- turnover;
- interest received and paid;
- dividends received and dividends payable;
- royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and trade and patent rights received and paid;
- income and expenditure in respect of rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures, including payments for water and electricity services;
- income and expenditure in respect of hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment;
- profit and losses on assets/investments sold or revalued;
- depreciation provided for;
- purchases;
- other income and other expenditure;
- total income and total expenditure;
- net profit or loss before providing for company tax and dividends;
- tax and company tax brought into account;
- book value of land, buildings, machinery, furniture, fittings, vehicles and other equipment at the end of the quarter;
- inventories as at the beginning and end of the quarter; and
- capital expenditure on new buildings, improvement, construction works, machinery, furniture, fittings, vehicles and other equipment.

2 In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current quarter may have been estimated due to late or non-submission by respondents. These estimates are revised as soon as the actual information is available.

3 This statistical release presents a selection of key findings and tables from Stats SA's QFS survey, conducted in the December 2007 and March, June, September and December 2008 quarters, which examines key variables such as turnover, inventories, purchases and capital expenditure on new buildings, improvement, construction works, machinery, furniture, fittings, vehicles and other equipment as well as other variables mentioned in 1 above, in the formal non-agricultural business sector in South Africa, excluding financial intermediation and insurance and government institutions.

4 Additional information regarding the percentage contribution of small, medium and large enterprises by industry per variable for the quarters ended September and December 2008, will be made available on the Stats SA website.

5 The quarterly financial statistics (QFS) survey covers a sample of enterprises operating in the formal non-agricultural business sector of the South African economy, excluding financial intermediation, insurance and government institutions. Results of the survey are used in compiling estimates of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and its components, which in turn are used to develop and monitor government policy. These statistics are also used by the private sector in analyses of comparative business and industry performance. The results are published quarterly in statistical release P0044: Quarterly financial statistics.

## Scope of the survey

## Classification

## Statistical unit

## Survey methodology and design

6 This survey covers financial statistics of the following industries according to the Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (SIC), Fifth edition, January 1993:

- mining and quarrying industry;
- manufacturing industry;
- electricity, gas and water supply industry;
- construction industry;
- trade industry;
- transport, storage and communication industry;
- real estate and business services industry, excluding financial intermediation and insurance; and
- community, social and personal services industry, excluding government institutions.

7 The 1993 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (SIC), Fifth edition, January 1993, was used to classify the statistical units in the survey. The SIC is based on the 1990 International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions. Statistics in this publication are only presented at SIC major division (one digit) level. Each enterprise is classified to an industry which reflects the predominant activity of the enterprise.

8 The statistical unit for the collection of information is an enterprise. An enterprise is a legal unit or a combination of legal units that includes and directly controls all functions necessary to carry out its production activities.

9 The survey is conducted on a quarterly basis. Questionnaires are sent to a sample of about 5000 enterprises. Questionnaires have to be returned to Stats SA within four weeks after the end of the quarter concerned. Fax, telephone and electronic reminders are used to follow up on non-respondents.

10 Samples are normally drawn each year and the resulting level changes in estimates are indicated when the new sample is implemented. A new sample was drawn in 2008 and implemented from the June 2008 quarter.

11 The sample was drawn from a population of enterprises that contributed approximately $95 \%$ to the total turnover per industry. Adjustments are made to the estimates to account for enterprises contributing less than $5 \%$ of the total turnover within each industry. All enterprises are stratified by type of enterprise according to size groups based on the National Small Business Amendment Bill, 2003, size group allocations for industries as defined in the Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (SIC), Fifth edition, January 1993. All large enterprises, which comprise $50 \%$ of the number of enterprises in the sample, are completely enumerated, while simple random sampling is applied for medium sized, small and very small enterprises. The data reported by the enterprises in the sample are weighted to represent all enterprises in the population.

12 Data presented in this publication are based on information obtained from a sample of enterprises and are, therefore, subject to sampling variability, that is, the data may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the data had been obtained from all enterprises in the different industries in South Africa. See Tables $A$ and $B$ (page 27) to determine the extent that estimates may vary.

13 Inaccuracies may occur because of imperfections in reporting by enterprises and errors made with the collection and processing of the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling errors. Every effort is made to minimise nonsampling errors by designing the questionnaire carefully, conducting pilot studies, editing of data and the implementation of efficient operating procedures. Preliminary figures are indicated in the relevant tables.

Fluctuations may occur in consecutive quarters as a result of seasonal and economic factors.

| Response rates | 14 | December quarter 2007: $82 \%$ <br> March quarter 2008: $86 \%$ <br> June quarter 2008: $85 \%$ <br> September quarter 2008: $86 \%$ <br> December quarter 2008: $81 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reasons for fluctuations in data | 15 | The fluctuations in the data can be attributed to: <br> - revisions to previous quarters made in the event of new or revised information being furnished by the respondents; <br> - restructuring of large businesses; <br> - exchange rate fluctuations; <br> - restating of previous estimates due to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS); <br> - once-off items reflected in one or more quarters, but not reflected in other quarters; <br> - year end adjustments performed during the last quarter of the financial year; <br> - seasonal factors; <br> - items declared annually and not quarterly; and <br> - samples drawn annually. (See 10 above) |
| Standard error | 16 | The estimates in this publication are based on a sample drawn from units in the surveyed population. As a result of the entire population not being surveyed, the published estimates are subject to sampling error. The most common way of quantifying such sampling error is to calculate the standard error for the published estimate or statistic. (See page 27, Tables A and B) |
| Revised figures | 17 | The revised figures are due to respondents reporting revisions or corrections in their figures and late submissions of their data to Stats SA. Data are edited at individual enterprise level. |
| Reference period | 18 | The reference period for this publication is from 1 October 2008 to 31 December 2008. |
| Related publications | 19 | Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available from Stats SA: <br> - Bulletin of Statistics - issued quarterly <br> - South African Statistics - issued annually. |
| Rounding-off of figures | 20 | The figures in the tables have, where necessary, been rounded off to the nearest digit shown. |
| Symbols and abbreviations | 21 | BSF Business Sampling Frame |
|  |  | GDP Gross Domestic Product |
|  |  | IFRS International Financial Reporting Standards |
|  |  | ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification |
|  |  | RSE Relative Standard Error |
|  |  | SE Standard Error |
|  |  | SIC Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities |
|  |  | Stats SA Statistics South Africa |
|  |  | VAT Value-added tax |
|  |  | Not available |


| Glossary |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Book value of fixed assets | Book value of fixed assets at the end of the quarter includes: <br> - land; <br> - residential buildings and non-residential buildings; <br> - construction works, roads and parking areas; <br> - computers and other IT equipment; <br> - motor vehicles and other transport equipment; and <br> - plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other office equipment. |
| Capital expenditure on new buildings, improvement, construction works, machinery, furniture, fittings, vehicles and other equipment | Capital expenditure on new buildings, improvements, construction works, machinery, furniture, fittings, vehicles and other equipment includes: <br> - the erection of new buildings and works, additions to and alterations of existing buildings and works, whether payments were made to outside contractors or concerns, or work done by the enterprise itself; <br> - work in progress capitalised; <br> - new plant and machinery, vehicles and equipment; and <br> - used plant and machinery, which were imported by or on behalf of the enterprise. |
| Enterprise | An enterprise is a legal unit or a combination of legal units that includes and directly controls all functions necessary to carry out its production activities. |
| Establishment | An establishment is defined as an enterprise, or part of an enterprise, that is situated at a single location and in which only a single (non-ancillary) productive activity is carried out or in which the principal productive activity accounts for most of the value added. |
| Industry | An industry consists of a group of enterprises engaged in the same or similar kinds of economic activity, and is classified according to the Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (SIC), Fifth edition, January 1993. |
| Inventories | Inventories consist of: <br> - outputs that are held by the enterprise that produced them prior to their being further processed, sold, delivered to other units or used in other ways; and <br> - products acquired from other enterprises that are intended to be used for intermediate consumption or for resale without further processing (factored goods). |
|  | Raw materials consist of components for processing, packing materials, fuel, consumable and maintenance stores. |
|  | Work in progress consists of goods in the process of manufacturing or work that has been partially done, but which has not yet been completed at the beginning and end of the quarter. |
|  | Finished goods include finished goods by own manufacturers and goods not produced by the enterprise but purchased for resale, not sold at the beginning and end of the quarter. |
| International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) | International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) are international accounting standards stating how particular types of transactions and other events should be reported in financial statements. IFRS are issued by the Accounting Standard Board. |

## Net profit or loss

## Purchases

## Statistical unit

Tax and company tax brought into account

## Turnover

Net profit or loss is the difference between total income, inventories and total expenditure before drawings by proprietors or partners, company tax paid or provided for and dividends paid or provided for are taken into account. In the tables where net profit or loss is shown, it is the amount arrived at after total losses of individual enterprises were deducted from total profits of individual enterprises.

Purchases include:

- raw materials, components used, etc in production;
- fuels for off-road vehicles;
- spare parts and building materials; and
- purchases and transfers-in of factored goods, intermediate products and partially completed goods from related enterprises.

A statistical unit is a unit about which statistics are tabulated, compiled or published. The statistical units are derived from and linked to the South African Revenue Service (SARS) administrative data.

For the purpose of this publication, the statistical unit in the quarterly financial statistics survey is the enterprise. An enterprise is defined as a legal unit or a combination of legal units that includes and directly controls all functions necessary to carry out its production activities.

Tax and company tax brought into account consist of taxes on incomes, profits and capital gains, excluding value-added tax (VAT). They are assessed on the actual or presumed incomes of enterprises and exclude employees' taxes and compulsory loan levies.

Turnover refers to the following items for all industries, excluding real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance):

- the value of sales;
- amounts received for work done; and
- amounts received for services rendered.

Turnover refers to the following items for the real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance):

- the value of sales;
- amounts received for work done;
- amounts received for services rendered;
- interest received;
- rent and or lease payments received for land and buildings; and
- rent, leasing and hiring received for machinery, vehicles and other equipment.


## Turnover excludes:

- value-added tax (VAT);
- net profit or loss on sales or revaluation of fixed assets (including profit or loss on foreign exchange);
- export freight charges; and
- excise duty.


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[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ All industries in the South African economy, excluding agriculture, financial intermediation, insurance and government institutions.

[^2]:    SIC 2 - Mining and quarrying industry
    SIC 3 - Manufacturing industry
    SIC 4 - Electricity, gas and water supply industry
    SIC 5 - Construction industry
    SIC 6 - Trade industry
    SIC 7 - Transport, storage and communication industry
    SIC 8 - Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance)
    SIC 9 - Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government institutions)

[^3]:    ${ }^{1}$ All industries in the South African economy, excluding agriculture, financial intermediation and insurance and government institutions.
    ${ }^{2}$ Revised.
    ${ }^{3}$ Preliminary.

[^4]:    ${ }_{2}^{1}$ All industries in the South African economy, excluding agriculture, financial intermediation and insurance and government institutions.
    ${ }^{2}$ Revised.
    ${ }^{3}$ Preliminary.

[^5]:    ${ }_{2}^{1}$ Revised.
    ${ }^{2}$ Preliminary.

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[^13]:    ${ }^{1}$ Revised.
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[^16]:    ${ }^{1}$ Revised.
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    *Turnover includes: interest, rent/leasing and hiring - see p. 33 for more details.

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[^18]:    ${ }^{1}$ Revised.
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[^19]:    ${ }^{2}$ Revised.
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