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Production: results for July 2024

Table A – Key growth rates in the volume of manufacturing production

	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24
Year-on-year % change, unadjusted	3,8	-6,8	4,2	-1,7	-5,5	1,7
Month-on-month % change, seasonally adjusted	-1,0	-2,5	5,0	-3,3	-0,4	2,1
3-month % change, seasonally adjusted ¹	-0,2	-1,2	-0,9	-0,8	0,5	-0,5

¹ Percentage change between the previous 3 months and the 3 months ending in the month indicated.

Manufacturing production increased by 1,7% in July 2024 compared with July 2023. The largest positive contributions were made by the following divisions:

- food and beverages (9,5% and contributing 2,0 percentage points); and
- basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery (5,2% and contributing 1,1 percentage points).

The largest negative contribution was made by the motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment division (-12,1% and contributing -1,3 percentage points) – see Tables 5 and 6.

Seasonally adjusted manufacturing production increased by 2,1% in July 2024 compared with June 2024. This followed month-on-month changes of -0,4% in June 2024 and -3,3% in May 2024 – see Table A.

Seasonally adjusted manufacturing production decreased by 0,5% in the three months ended July 2024 compared with the previous three months. Seven of the ten manufacturing divisions reported negative growth rates over this period. The largest negative contribution was reported for the food and beverages division (-1,1% and contributing -0,3 of a percentage point) – see Table B.

Table B – Seasonally adjusted manufacturing production for the latest three months by division and major group (Base: 2019=100)

Manufacturing division and major group	Weight	Feb – Apr 2024	May – Jul 2024	% change between Feb – Apr 2024 and May – Jul 2024	Contribution (% points) to the total % change
Food and beverages	21,44	103,2	102,1	-1,1	-0,3
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	3,42	110,1	106,6	-3,2	-0,1
Dairy products	1,47	96,5	99,5	3,1	0,0
Grain mill products	1,85	102,6	101,3	-1,3	0,0
Other food products	7,81	93,3	89,6	-4,0	-0,3
Beverages	6,89	112,4	114,7	2,0	0,2
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	4,07	88,7	89,0	0,3	0,0
Textiles	1,04	96,2	90,8	-5,6	-0,1
Other textile products	0,58	88,3	93,3	5,7	0,0
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	77,8	84,9	9,1	0,0
Wearing apparel	1,88	85,0	86,9	2,2	0,0
Leather and leather products	0,26	82,9	85,2	2,8	0,0
Footwear	0,25	96,2	93,1	-3,2	0,0
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,48	96,4	95,5	-0,9	-0,1
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,86	98,1	98,2	0,1	0,0
Products of wood	0,90	115,4	114,6	-0,7	0,0
Paper and paper products	5,26	101,5	95,5	-5,9	-0,3
Publishing	2,10	74,3	83,3	12,1	0,2
Printing, recorded media	1,36	96,6	100,1	3,6	0,1
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	24,86	79,4	79,3	-0,1	0,0
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,92	63,1	62,3	-1,3	-0,1
Basic chemicals	3,39	102,2	103,1	0,9	0,0
Other chemical products	6,82	87,5	88,4	1,0	0,1
Rubber products	0,68	91,3	88,5	-3,1	0,0
Plastic products	2,05	105,3	105,3	0,0	0,0
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,10	102,7	99,4	-3,2	-0,1
Glass and glass products	0,48	100,4	106,2	5,8	0,0
Non-metallic mineral products	2,62	103,2	98,1	-4,9	-0,1
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	19,96	94,6	94,7	0,1	0,0
Basic iron and steel products	2,92	78,8	84,9	7,7	0,2
Non-ferrous metal products	3,54	86,7	91,0	5,0	0,2
Structural metal products	2,01	108,6	102,0	-6,1	-0,1
Other fabricated metal products	3,65	101,0	97,2	-3,8	-0,1
General purpose machinery	3,45	102,4	99,2	-3,1	-0,1
Special purpose machinery	3,73	92,3	94,2	2,1	0,1
Household appliances	0,66	99,2	101,1	1,9	0,0
Electrical machinery	2,14	110,3	108,8	-1,4	0,0
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,06	105,0	99,9	-4,9	-0,1
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,08	94,8	104,8	10,5	0,0
Professional equipment	0,98	105,9	99,5	-6,0	-0,1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,72	92,8	93,6	0,9	0,1
Motor vehicles	2,62	93,0	100,4	8,0	0,2
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,75	105,2	89,8	-14,6	-0,1
Parts and accessories	4,03	87,9	89,6	1,9	0,1
Other transport equipment	1,32	100,6	94,5	-6,1	-0,1
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,17	83,9	82,2	-2,0	-0,1
Furniture	0,69	94,8	96,4	1,7	0,0
Other manufacturing groups	3,48	81,7	79,4	-2,8	-0,1
Total	100	92,7	92,2	-0,5	-0,5

Figure 1 – Volume of manufacturing production (Base: 2019=100)

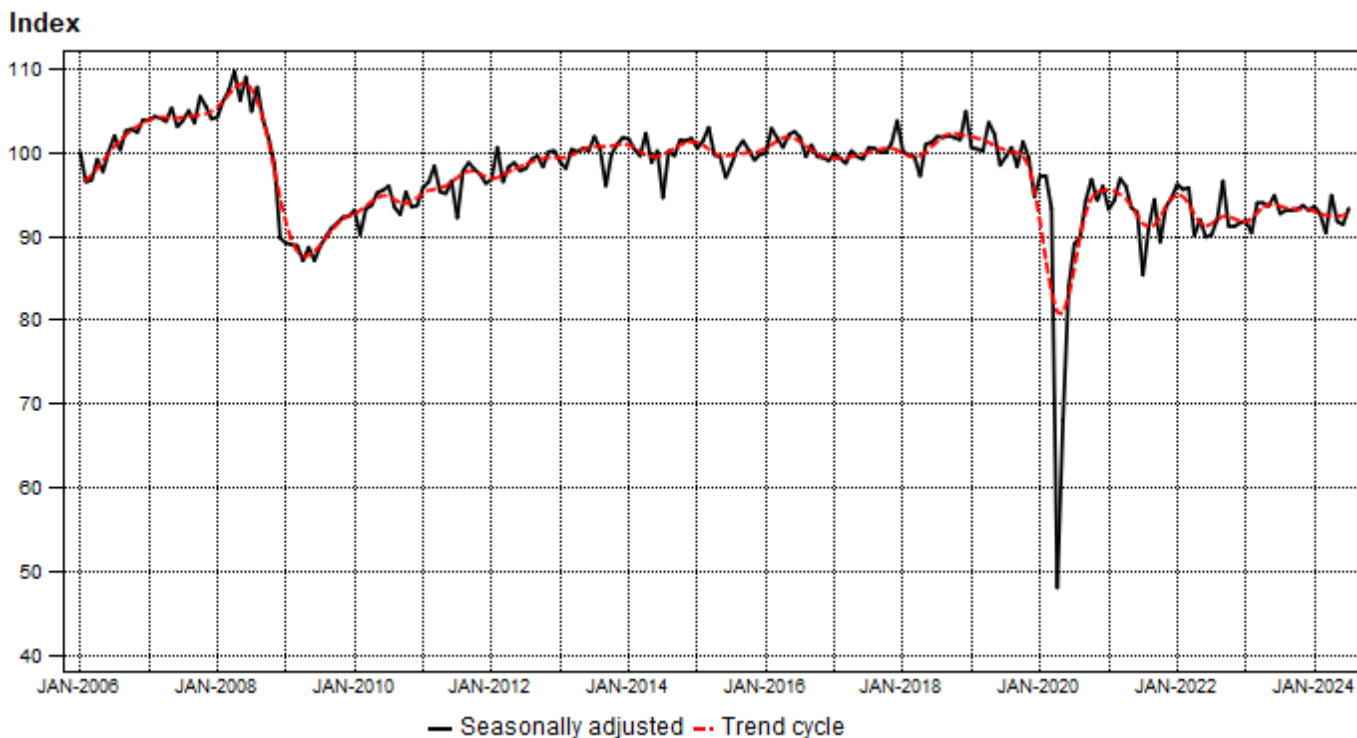
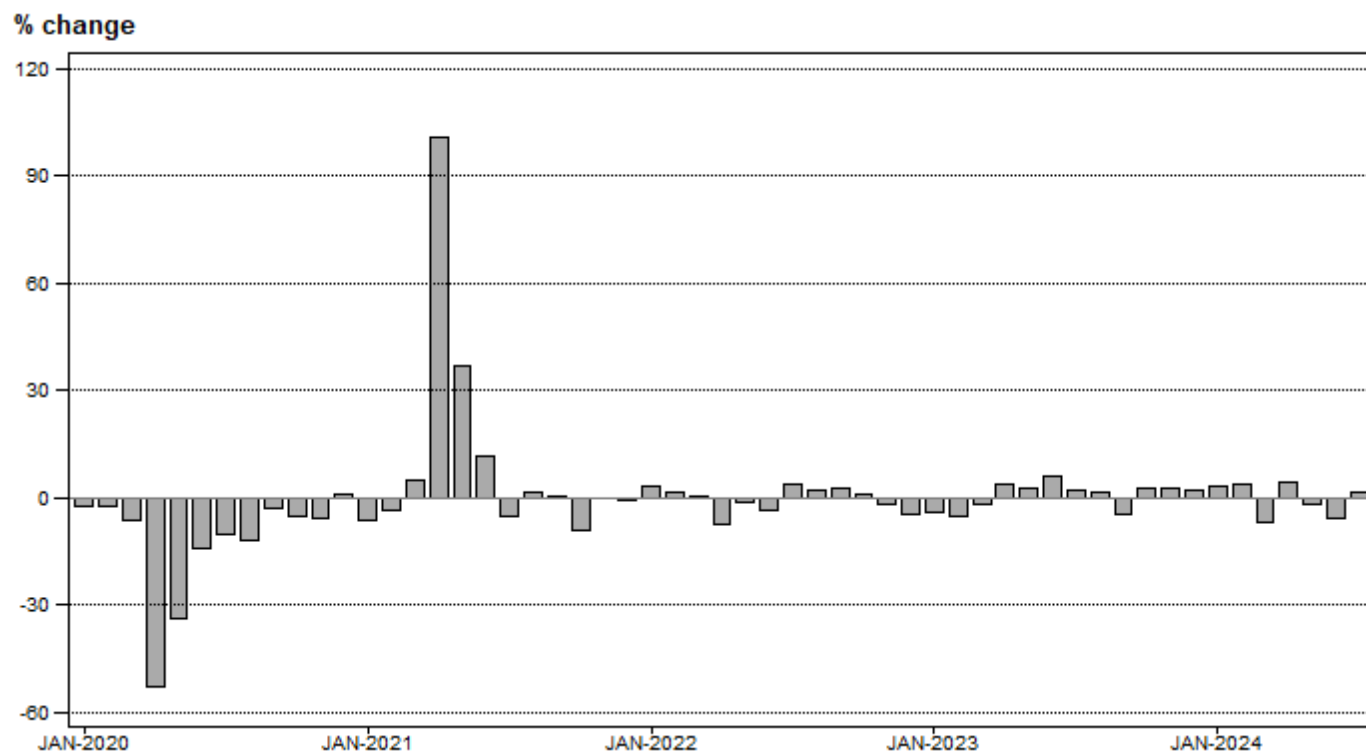


Figure 2 – Volume of manufacturing production (Base: 2019=100): year-on-year percentage change



Sales: results for July 2024**Table C – Key growth rates in manufacturing sales at current prices**

	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24
Year-on-year % change, unadjusted	10,7	-3,6	10,5	4,6	1,8	6,7
Month-on-month % change, seasonally adjusted	0,9	-2,2	4,0	-2,7	0,2	1,6
3-month % change, seasonally adjusted ¹	1,8	-0,1	0,2	-0,5	1,0	-0,2

¹ Percentage change between the previous 3 months and the 3 months ending in the month indicated.

Seasonally adjusted manufacturing sales increased by 1,6% in July 2024 compared with June 2024. This followed month-on-month changes of 0,2% in June 2024 and -2,7% in May 2024 – see Table C.

Table D – Seasonally adjusted manufacturing sales at current prices for the latest three months by division

Manufacturing division	Feb – Apr 2024 (R million)	May – Jul 2024 (R million)	% change between Feb – Apr 2024 and May – Jul 2024	Contribution (% points) to the total % change
Food and beverages	208 295	204 961	-1,6	-0,4
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	18 999	19 048	0,3	0,0
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	55 327	54 753	-1,0	-0,1
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	176 685	179 461	1,6	0,3
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	23 921	23 670	-1,0	0,0
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	177 749	180 801	1,7	0,4
Electrical machinery	22 405	22 263	-0,6	0,0
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	7 482	8 024	7,2	0,1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	142 219	138 733	-2,5	-0,4
Furniture and other manufacturing	29 177	28 932	-0,8	0,0
Total	862 260	860 645	-0,2	-0,2

Seasonally adjusted manufacturing sales decreased by 0,2% in the three months ended July 2024 compared with the previous three months. The largest negative contributions were made by the following divisions:

- motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment (-2,5% and contributing -0,4 of a percentage point); and
- food and beverages (-1,6% and contributing -0,4 of a percentage point).

The largest positive contribution was made by the basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery division (1,7% and contributing 0,4 of a percentage point) – see Table D.


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Note: Changes to the survey and the impact on the statistical series

Statistical business register and samples

Today Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) publishes results for the monthly survey of manufacturing production and sales from a new sample drawn in April 2024, which replaces the previous sample that was drawn in April 2023. The sample was drawn from a statistical business register of enterprises with an annual turnover of at least R4 050 394 and that are required to register with the South African Revenue Service (SARS) for value-added tax.

Owing to the evolving nature of business, the statistical business register is maintained on a continuous basis. The maintenance process is aimed, amongst other things, at capturing changes related to new businesses, ceased businesses, merged businesses and classification changes. In addition, Stats SA undertakes quality improvement surveys related to the statistical business register, the primary objective of which is to capture up-to-date information about the structures and activities of large and complex businesses. This process enables Stats SA to review classification codes for these businesses. These changes are an essential part of the statistical architecture.

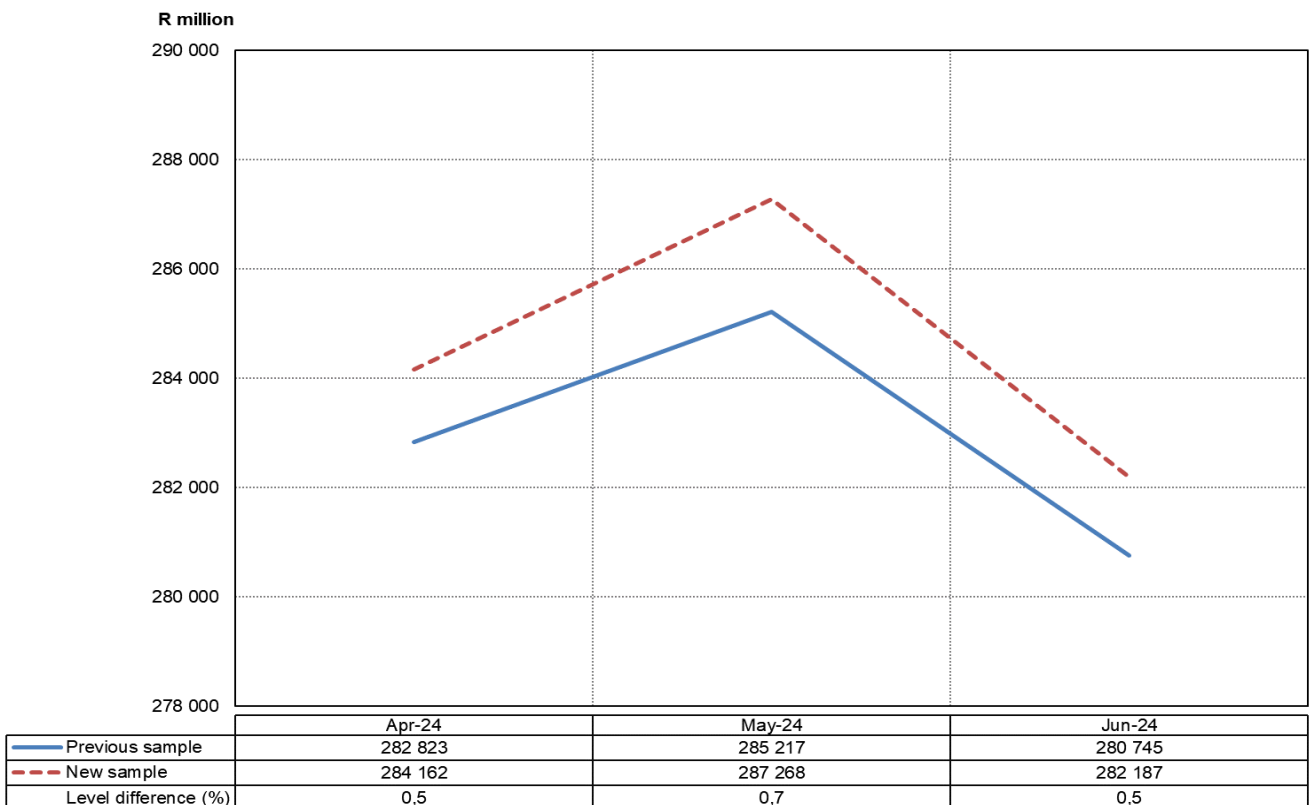
Comparison of total sales between the previous and new samples of the manufacturing industry

The reported level of total sales for the monthly survey of the manufacturing industry for the months April to June 2024 based on the new sample was 0,6% (R4 832 million) higher than the level of total sales recorded for the previous sample – see Table E and Figure 3. The previous sample was drawn in April 2023 and was operational for the last half of 2023 and the first half of 2024.

Table E – Total sales for previous and new samples for the manufacturing industry – April to June 2024

Manufacturing industry	Previous sample (R million)	New sample (R million)	Difference	
			(R million)	(%)
	848 785	853 617	4 832	0,6

Figure 3 – Total value of sales of manufactured products: monthly levels of previous and new samples for April to June 2024



Comparison of sales between the previous and new samples by division

The differences in sales between the previous and new samples by manufacturing division are shown in Table F.

Table F – Manufacturing sales for previous and new samples by division: April to June 2024

Manufacturing division	Previous sample (R million)	New sample (R million)	Difference	
			(R million)	(%) ¹
Food and beverages	191 460	195 505	4 045	2,1
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	19 155	18 693	-462	-2,4
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	51 973	51 847	-126	-0,2
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	178 436	175 666	-2 770	-1,6
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	22 692	23 330	638	2,8
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	184 723	185 730	1 007	0,5
Electrical machinery	22 695	23 060	365	1,6
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	7 806	7 610	-196	-2,5
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	139 154	143 448	4 294	3,1
Furniture and other manufacturing	30 689	28 729	-1 960	-6,4
Total manufacturing	848 785	853 617	4 832	0,6

¹ The percentage difference is the new sample minus the previous sample, divided by the previous sample, multiplied by 100.

The largest differences were recorded in the following manufacturing divisions:

- motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment (R4 294 million or 3,1% higher in the new sample);
- food and beverages (R4 045 million or 2,1% higher in the new sample);
- petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products (R2 770 million or 1,6% lower in the new sample); and
- furniture and 'other' manufacturing (R1 960 million or 6,4% lower in the new sample).

Backcasting

To avoid breaks in time series and to minimise revisions to historical growth rates, historical sales levels were revised (i.e. they were linked to the estimates based on the new sample).

Tables

Table 1 – Index of the volume of manufacturing production (Base: 2019=100)

Month	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Jan	87,1	88,0	85,7	80,3	82,8	79,5	81,9
Feb	94,5	94,9	92,4	89,3	90,9	86,0	89,3
Mar	98,9	101,2	94,5	98,9	99,1	97,5	90,9
Apr	91,9	95,8	45,3	91,1	84,5	87,6	91,3
May	101,8	102,0	67,2	92,0	91,0	93,3	91,7
Jun	101,9	97,8	84,1	93,7	90,3	95,5	90,2
Jul	103,2	101,8	91,4	86,8	90,2	92,1	93,7
Aug	106,6	105,2	92,9	94,3	96,2	97,5	
Sep	104,9	102,6	99,4	99,8	102,6	98,1	
Oct	113,4	112,7	106,8	97,2	98,2	100,9	
Nov	115,3	111,0	104,7	104,7	102,5	105,3	
Dec	93,7	86,8	87,6	87,0	82,9	84,6	
Total	101,1	100,0	87,7	92,9	92,6	93,2	

Table 2 – Year-on-year percentage change in the volume of manufacturing production

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2024 year-to-date
Jan	1,0	-2,6	-6,3	3,1	-4,0	3,0	3,0
Feb	0,4	-2,6	-3,4	1,8	-5,4	3,8	3,4
Mar	2,3	-6,6	4,7	0,2	-1,6	-6,8	-0,3
Apr	4,2	-52,7	101,1	-7,2	3,7	4,2	0,8
May	0,2	-34,1	36,9	-1,1	2,5	-1,7	0,2
Jun	-4,0	-14,0	11,4	-3,6	5,8	-5,5	-0,8
Jul	-1,4	-10,2	-5,0	3,9	2,1	1,7	-0,3
Aug	-1,3	-11,7	1,5	2,0	1,4		
Sep	-2,2	-3,1	0,4	2,8	-4,4		
Oct	-0,6	-5,2	-9,0	1,0	2,7		
Nov	-3,7	-5,7	0,0	-2,1	2,7		
Dec	-7,4	0,9	-0,7	-4,7	2,1		
Total	-1,1	-12,3	5,9	-0,3	0,6		

Table 3 – Seasonally adjusted volume of manufacturing production

Month	Index (Base: 2019=100)				Month-on-month % change			
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2021	2022	2023	2024
Jan	93,2	96,2	91,9	93,6	-2,9	1,7	0,3	0,5
Feb	94,3	95,6	90,4	92,7	1,2	-0,6	-1,6	-1,0
Mar	96,9	95,8	94,0	90,4	2,8	0,2	4,0	-2,5
Apr	96,0	90,1	94,0	94,9	-0,9	-5,9	0,0	5,0
May	93,4	92,0	93,6	91,8	-2,7	2,1	-0,4	-3,3
Jun	92,9	89,9	94,9	91,4	-0,5	-2,3	1,4	-0,4
Jul	85,4	90,2	92,7	93,3	-8,1	0,3	-2,3	2,1
Aug	91,0	92,0	93,1		6,6	2,0	0,4	
Sep	94,4	96,6	93,1		3,7	5,0	0,0	
Oct	89,3	91,2	93,2		-5,4	-5,6	0,1	
Nov	93,5	91,2	93,7		4,7	0,0	0,5	
Dec	94,6	91,6	93,1		1,2	0,4	-0,6	

Table 4 – Index of the volume of manufacturing production by division and major group (Base: 2019=100)

Manufacturing division and major group	Weight	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24
Food and beverages	21,44	94,8	103,2	99,2	103,2	95,6	99,2
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	3,42	110,4	108,2	103,5	113,8	105,2	101,9
Dairy products	1,47	92,0	95,0	92,6	94,0	89,4	95,2
Grain mill products	1,85	97,3	98,6	102,2	102,6	101,5	104,2
Other food products	7,81	78,7	92,7	87,8	93,9	90,5	94,6
Beverages	6,89	105,1	115,5	110,7	110,6	96,4	102,6
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	4,07	86,2	87,8	86,5	88,8	87,3	94,2
Textiles	1,04	87,6	106,1	97,4	97,8	93,6	95,2
Other textile products	0,58	92,6	81,7	92,9	96,0	85,9	92,2
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	68,9	76,3	70,2	82,6	83,0	94,5
Wearing apparel	1,88	84,9	81,1	78,9	82,4	85,2	93,5
Leather and leather products	0,26	94,8	76,6	82,6	81,0	78,7	93,7
Footwear	0,25	70,8	90,2	91,3	91,7	89,8	100,6
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,48	90,5	91,7	87,2	86,7	92,6	95,4
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,86	99,8	84,8	99,3	99,3	100,8	107,6
Products of wood	0,90	102,3	109,1	117,1	108,2	107,7	119,8
Paper and paper products	5,26	99,2	103,1	90,0	86,0	95,5	90,8
Publishing	2,10	68,7	62,0	59,0	70,7	72,0	89,6
Printing, recorded media	1,36	76,9	86,6	92,1	91,9	98,3	98,4
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	24,86	77,1	78,5	78,3	78,6	78,5	78,4
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,92	61,8	66,4	62,9	57,1	61,5	57,8
Basic chemicals	3,39	93,9	96,0	102,8	106,2	103,9	104,4
Other chemical products	6,82	85,0	83,4	84,2	93,3	89,8	89,9
Rubber products	0,68	100,5	90,9	92,6	86,4	86,8	101,2
Plastic products	2,05	104,5	99,8	102,4	106,5	95,1	109,5
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,10	98,3	99,5	95,6	107,1	96,2	101,1
Glass and glass products	0,48	98,5	90,4	92,6	96,6	107,9	103,9
Non-metallic mineral products	2,62	98,3	101,2	96,1	109,0	94,1	100,6
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	19,96	91,2	93,8	96,7	95,3	94,9	99,9
Basic iron and steel products	2,92	78,7	90,0	75,5	75,2	84,4	88,5
Non-ferrous metal products	3,54	81,1	88,7	84,4	93,0	86,2	94,1
Structural metal products	2,01	110,3	107,1	107,7	104,9	96,4	108,3
Other fabricated metal products	3,65	104,9	94,5	106,7	98,8	98,6	102,2
General purpose machinery	3,45	88,4	98,0	106,0	99,7	102,8	113,1
Special purpose machinery	3,73	88,5	89,4	100,1	99,4	98,2	94,3
Household appliances	0,66	96,2	97,5	100,5	102,4	103,9	106,3
Electrical machinery	2,14	105,4	113,3	118,6	116,3	108,7	115,4
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,06	99,2	110,0	105,1	100,7	97,6	101,4
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,08	77,7	87,7	94,2	91,1	97,8	91,0
Professional equipment	0,98	101,0	111,8	106,0	101,5	97,6	102,3
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,72	99,1	87,3	99,7	94,6	93,3	98,7
Motor vehicles	2,62	106,4	80,3	94,5	105,0	94,4	105,9
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,75	112,8	96,8	103,9	95,5	86,9	107,0
Parts and accessories	4,03	91,8	79,1	103,6	90,8	95,2	97,1
Other transport equipment	1,32	98,9	120,8	95,4	85,2	89,2	84,7
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,17	86,5	73,1	79,4	76,9	83,5	92,7
Furniture	0,69	80,9	84,9	89,9	94,8	96,9	93,3
Other manufacturing groups	3,48	87,6	70,7	77,3	73,3	80,8	92,5
Total	100	89,3	90,9	91,3	91,7	90,2	93,7

Table 5 – Year-on-year percentage change in the volume of manufacturing production by division and major group (Base: 2019=100)

Manufacturing division and major group	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24
Food and beverages	5,3	-1,5	3,5	5,6	-6,3	9,5
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	9,5	-6,8	8,0	4,2	-4,8	-3,3
Dairy products	5,7	-10,4	-3,8	-8,3	-7,5	9,9
Grain mill products	-3,2	-8,8	9,8	-6,0	-2,0	0,0
Other food products	0,5	1,9	-8,0	9,2	-14,2	12,5
Beverages	9,9	1,5	14,2	9,2	2,0	17,0
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	-0,2	-6,4	2,4	-4,7	-6,0	-1,2
Textiles	-6,0	-4,2	7,0	-14,4	-18,1	-10,3
Other textile products	-8,4	-12,3	8,5	13,6	-5,8	4,9
Knitted, crocheted articles	-2,7	-10,7	-12,8	-6,3	3,5	3,7
Wearing apparel	7,2	-4,9	-3,5	-3,2	3,5	3,5
Leather and leather products	6,8	-10,9	14,6	0,0	-3,2	3,9
Footwear	-11,4	-7,8	2,2	-8,1	-12,1	-9,7
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	13,4	0,3	9,5	4,2	0,8	0,7
Sawmilling and planing of wood	4,4	0,7	15,3	5,8	-3,0	2,3
Products of wood	-0,2	3,5	23,5	3,4	5,8	-0,2
Paper and paper products	33,0	3,9	8,7	4,5	1,6	-2,6
Publishing	-10,8	-13,4	-5,3	-1,9	-10,1	6,2
Printing, recorded media	-2,8	-0,9	15,0	11,1	12,1	5,8
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	4,5	-3,9	2,2	2,7	1,0	0,1
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	10,4	4,9	-2,6	6,1	10,0	-7,2
Basic chemicals	-0,8	-5,5	5,1	4,1	0,0	10,4
Other chemical products	-0,7	-11,9	2,7	-1,7	-4,8	2,3
Rubber products	-2,1	-18,1	3,9	0,8	-11,0	-2,1
Plastic products	10,7	-2,9	14,4	4,1	-3,7	5,3
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	11,3	3,2	4,8	-3,1	-3,2	-3,5
Glass and glass products	4,7	-14,3	-3,9	-7,1	8,0	4,3
Non-metallic mineral products	12,6	6,9	6,4	-2,4	-5,2	-4,8
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	0,8	-9,9	3,2	-8,3	-9,1	5,2
Basic iron and steel products	1,9	-3,6	-17,8	-8,6	8,5	15,8
Non-ferrous metal products	0,0	-1,0	1,7	-1,4	-6,6	13,6
Structural metal products	15,3	-5,3	11,5	6,5	-4,6	7,0
Other fabricated metal products	5,0	-10,5	19,2	-12,3	-12,7	-5,9
General purpose machinery	-10,7	-13,6	3,0	-16,6	-14,5	12,8
Special purpose machinery	-1,4	-18,8	1,9	-9,2	-14,5	-2,8
Household appliances	4,7	-11,0	1,2	-4,6	-4,3	-1,9
Electrical machinery	2,9	0,0	15,5	-0,5	-4,1	3,1
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	0,4	-1,4	12,5	-2,1	-2,6	-0,1
Radio, television and communication apparatus	-12,8	-15,3	19,1	13,3	12,5	15,8
Professional equipment	1,4	-0,4	12,1	-3,1	-3,7	-1,1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	-4,6	-26,5	7,3	-11,9	-15,6	-12,1
Motor vehicles	9,0	-29,4	12,4	2,3	-9,8	-8,5
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	9,3	-21,0	11,4	-19,5	-30,8	-6,2
Parts and accessories	-16,5	-33,5	-0,1	-21,4	-19,3	-19,4
Other transport equipment	0,6	-3,7	23,4	-0,4	-1,1	6,7
Furniture and other manufacturing	6,9	-15,1	-3,5	-12,5	-9,4	-2,8
Furniture	3,5	-10,4	9,6	4,9	3,9	4,0
Other manufacturing groups	7,6	-16,1	-6,1	-16,1	-12,1	-4,0
Total	3,8	-6,8	4,2	-1,7	-5,5	1,7

Table 6 – Contribution of each division and major group to the year-on-year percentage change in the volume of manufacturing production (percentage points)

Manufacturing division and major group	Weight	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24
Food and beverages	21,44	1,2	-0,4	0,8	1,3	-1,4	2,0
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	3,42	0,4	-0,3	0,3	0,2	-0,2	-0,1
Dairy products	1,47	0,1	-0,2	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	0,1
Grain mill products	1,85	-0,1	-0,2	0,2	-0,1	0,0	0,0
Other food products	7,81	0,0	0,1	-0,7	0,7	-1,2	0,9
Beverages	6,89	0,8	0,1	1,1	0,7	0,1	1,1
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	4,07	0,0	-0,3	0,1	-0,2	-0,2	0,0
Textiles	1,04	-0,1	-0,1	0,1	-0,2	-0,2	-0,1
Other textile products	0,58	-0,1	-0,1	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Wearing apparel	1,88	0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	0,1	0,1
Leather and leather products	0,26	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Footwear	0,25	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,48	1,3	0,0	0,9	0,4	0,1	0,1
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,86	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Products of wood	0,90	0,0	0,0	0,2	0,0	0,1	0,0
Paper and paper products	5,26	1,5	0,2	0,4	0,2	0,1	-0,1
Publishing	2,10	-0,2	-0,2	-0,1	0,0	-0,2	0,1
Printing, recorded media	1,36	0,0	0,0	0,2	0,1	0,2	0,1
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	24,86	1,0	-0,8	0,5	0,6	0,2	0,0
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,92	0,8	0,4	-0,2	0,4	0,7	-0,6
Basic chemicals	3,39	0,0	-0,2	0,2	0,2	0,0	0,4
Other chemical products	6,82	0,0	-0,8	0,2	-0,1	-0,3	0,1
Rubber products	0,68	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0
Plastic products	2,05	0,2	-0,1	0,3	0,1	-0,1	0,1
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,10	0,4	0,1	0,2	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1
Glass and glass products	0,48	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Non-metallic mineral products	2,62	0,3	0,2	0,2	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	19,96	0,2	-2,1	0,7	-1,8	-2,0	1,1
Basic iron and steel products	2,92	0,1	-0,1	-0,5	-0,2	0,2	0,4
Non-ferrous metal products	3,54	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,0	-0,2	0,4
Structural metal products	2,01	0,3	-0,1	0,3	0,1	-0,1	0,2
Other fabricated metal products	3,65	0,2	-0,4	0,7	-0,5	-0,5	-0,3
General purpose machinery	3,45	-0,4	-0,5	0,1	-0,7	-0,6	0,5
Special purpose machinery	3,73	-0,1	-0,8	0,1	-0,4	-0,6	-0,1
Household appliances	0,66	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Electrical machinery	2,14	0,1	0,0	0,4	0,0	-0,1	0,1
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,06	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,08	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Professional equipment	0,98	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,72	-0,5	-2,8	0,7	-1,2	-1,6	-1,3
Motor vehicles	2,62	0,3	-0,9	0,3	0,1	-0,3	-0,3
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,75	0,1	-0,2	0,1	-0,2	-0,3	-0,1
Parts and accessories	4,03	-0,8	-1,6	0,0	-1,1	-1,0	-1,0
Other transport equipment	1,32	0,0	-0,1	0,3	0,0	0,0	0,1
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,17	0,3	-0,6	-0,1	-0,5	-0,4	-0,1
Furniture	0,69	0,0	-0,1	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Other manufacturing groups	3,48	0,3	-0,5	-0,2	-0,5	-0,4	-0,1
Total	100	3,8	-6,8	4,2	-1,7	-5,5	1,7

Table 7 – Seasonally adjusted index of the volume of manufacturing production by division and major group (Base: 2019=100)

Manufacturing division and major group	Weight	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Month-on-month % change
Food and beverages	21,44	104,3	103,8	102,8	100,6	102,8	2,2
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	3,42	107,6	107,6	110,3	107,7	101,9	-5,4
Dairy products	1,47	95,5	97,1	99,3	100,3	99,0	-1,3
Grain mill products	1,85	101,6	103,9	100,4	102,8	100,6	-2,1
Other food products	7,81	100,4	87,4	89,4	87,0	92,4	6,2
Beverages	6,89	109,6	121,8	115,6	112,0	116,5	4,0
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	4,07	88,6	89,2	88,2	88,8	90,1	1,5
Textiles	1,04	101,1	98,0	91,3	89,6	91,5	2,1
Other textile products	0,58	84,3	92,2	95,1	91,2	93,7	2,7
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	79,4	76,3	80,5	84,8	89,5	5,5
Wearing apparel	1,88	84,5	82,7	84,0	88,5	88,2	-0,3
Leather and leather products	0,26	73,4	86,3	84,5	81,8	89,2	9,0
Footwear	0,25	96,1	100,6	96,4	90,8	92,0	1,3
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,48	95,4	97,7	95,4	94,5	96,6	2,2
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,86	95,9	102,1	97,8	99,1	97,6	-1,5
Products of wood	0,90	112,8	124,7	114,1	114,3	115,5	1,0
Paper and paper products	5,26	101,8	99,4	96,4	94,8	95,3	0,5
Publishing	2,10	73,2	75,2	80,9	79,1	89,9	13,7
Printing, recorded media	1,36	93,0	105,2	100,4	101,1	98,9	-2,2
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	24,86	77,9	80,5	79,5	80,5	77,8	-3,4
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,92	62,7	63,9	62,8	65,5	58,5	-10,7
Basic chemicals	3,39	98,6	104,0	103,6	102,2	103,6	1,4
Other chemical products	6,82	85,8	88,4	87,3	88,9	89,0	0,1
Rubber products	0,68	89,4	90,9	88,6	84,5	92,5	9,5
Plastic products	2,05	101,7	108,7	107,8	102,8	105,3	2,4
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,10	100,6	101,8	100,6	98,1	99,5	1,4
Glass and glass products	0,48	95,1	100,6	97,9	113,5	107,2	-5,6
Non-metallic mineral products	2,62	101,6	102,0	101,0	95,3	98,1	2,9
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	19,96	90,4	98,4	92,3	92,7	99,1	6,9
Basic iron and steel products	2,92	83,3	72,1	74,4	88,5	91,7	3,6
Non-ferrous metal products	3,54	87,4	86,9	88,2	88,1	96,8	9,9
Structural metal products	2,01	102,4	113,2	106,4	93,3	106,4	14,0
Other fabricated metal products	3,65	89,2	111,9	96,8	96,3	98,4	2,2
General purpose machinery	3,45	97,7	111,4	93,7	95,4	108,5	13,7
Special purpose machinery	3,73	86,0	96,0	95,9	92,4	94,4	2,2
Household appliances	0,66	95,0	102,1	98,2	101,2	103,8	2,6
Electrical machinery	2,14	106,1	118,3	108,3	106,8	111,3	4,2
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,06	100,2	112,8	100,3	97,6	101,7	4,2
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,08	92,6	110,3	104,0	103,5	106,9	3,3
Professional equipment	0,98	100,8	113,0	100,1	97,1	101,2	4,2
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,72	82,6	99,9	94,0	92,0	94,8	3,0
Motor vehicles	2,62	80,0	97,8	103,8	97,4	100,1	2,8
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,75	96,0	103,9	91,8	77,0	100,5	30,5
Parts and accessories	4,03	77,1	98,4	87,9	90,8	90,0	-0,9
Other transport equipment	1,32	96,7	106,5	94,0	93,4	96,0	2,8
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,17	81,7	84,5	79,0	82,3	85,4	3,8
Furniture	0,69	92,0	99,1	95,7	97,9	95,7	-2,2
Other manufacturing groups	3,48	79,6	81,6	75,6	79,2	83,4	5,3
Total	100	90,4	94,9	91,8	91,4	93,3	2,1

Table 8 – Manufacturing sales at current prices (R million)

Month	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Jan	169 412	185 680	184 898	182 428	205 810	226 014	247 707
Feb	189 083	200 377	205 406	209 620	232 629	253 396	280 477
Mar	201 438	218 859	205 629	241 918	263 164	295 678	284 961
Apr	180 741	207 717	100 499	219 725	227 055	257 117	284 162
May	209 991	217 911	148 771	225 788	252 702	274 523	287 268
Jun	209 659	218 035	180 943	232 195	254 401	277 315	282 187
Jul	212 683	222 024	195 607	201 393	248 918	272 077	290 435
Aug	220 418	231 090	201 524	222 784	260 611	290 309	
Sep	223 624	222 496	216 599	234 472	277 238	294 419	
Oct	241 670	242 243	237 315	232 350	269 096	302 549	
Nov	245 860	239 739	241 032	260 653	290 708	319 726	
Dec	198 015	191 778	199 230	219 129	239 465	263 383	
Total	2 502 594	2 597 949	2 317 453	2 682 455	3 021 797	3 326 506	

Table 9 – Year-on-year percentage change in manufacturing sales at current prices

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2024 year-to-date
Jan	9,6	-0,4	-1,3	12,8	9,8	9,6	9,6
Feb	6,0	2,5	2,1	11,0	8,9	10,7	10,2
Mar	8,6	-6,0	17,6	8,8	12,4	-3,6	4,9
Apr	14,9	-51,6	118,6	3,3	13,2	10,5	6,3
May	3,8	-31,7	51,8	11,9	8,6	4,6	6,0
Jun	4,0	-17,0	28,3	9,6	9,0	1,8	5,2
Jul	4,4	-11,9	3,0	23,6	9,3	6,7	5,4
Aug	4,8	-12,8	10,5	17,0	11,4		
Sep	-0,5	-2,7	8,3	18,2	6,2		
Oct	0,2	-2,0	-2,1	15,8	12,4		
Nov	-2,5	0,5	8,1	11,5	10,0		
Dec	-3,1	3,9	10,0	9,3	10,0		
Total	3,8	-10,8	15,8	12,7	10,1		

Table 10 – Seasonally adjusted manufacturing sales at current prices

Month	R million				Month-on-month % change			
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2021	2022	2023	2024
Jan	214 721	242 783	263 154	285 448	-0,3	3,5	0,5	-1,6
Feb	220 412	244 657	265 198	287 951	2,7	0,8	0,8	0,9
Mar	232 644	250 891	279 992	281 537	5,5	2,5	5,6	-2,2
Apr	231 606	241 301	277 634	292 772	-0,4	-3,8	-0,8	4,0
May	228 545	252 669	272 898	284 988	-1,3	4,7	-1,7	-2,7
Jun	228 097	250 737	271 636	285 536	-0,2	-0,8	-0,5	0,2
Jul	201 194	251 552	276 608	290 121	-11,8	0,3	1,8	1,6
Aug	218 905	253 640	282 374		8,8	0,8	2,1	
Sep	224 414	263 407	282 541		2,5	3,9	0,1	
Oct	215 150	251 695	280 429		-4,1	-4,4	-0,7	
Nov	231 380	258 193	285 165		7,5	2,6	1,7	
Dec	234 481	261 817	290 195		1,3	1,4	1,8	

Table 11 – Manufacturing sales at current prices by division and major group (R million)

Manufacturing division and major group	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24
Food and beverages	65 116	71 326	63 810	67 991	63 704	65 909
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	19 482	19 222	18 724	20 546	19 254	20 103
Dairy products	5 819	6 077	5 881	5 922	5 661	6 036
Grain mill products	10 424	10 731	11 367	11 411	11 362	11 808
Other food products	13 838	18 705	12 435	13 997	13 137	13 377
Beverages	15 554	16 592	15 403	16 115	14 289	14 584
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	6 159	5 971	6 201	6 384	6 108	6 479
Textiles	844	883	863	834	856	794
Other textile products	1 988	1 812	1 905	2 060	1 834	1 991
Knitted, crocheted articles	185	182	191	242	232	260
Wearing apparel	2 047	1 944	2 018	2 026	2 004	2 069
Leather and leather products	573	517	557	569	531	636
Footwear	521	632	667	653	651	729
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	17 164	18 026	16 550	16 786	18 511	17 218
Sawmilling and planing of wood	1 423	1 448	1 456	1 519	1 483	1 607
Products of wood	2 041	2 243	2 532	2 201	2 291	2 322
Paper and paper products	9 963	10 513	8 440	8 821	10 300	8 465
Publishing	1 334	1 181	1 133	1 351	1 350	1 693
Printing, recorded media	2 402	2 640	2 989	2 894	3 086	3 131
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	57 349	56 478	58 087	57 666	59 913	60 273
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	22 180	22 634	22 515	20 960	21 697	22 124
Basic chemicals	10 479	9 435	10 940	10 406	12 263	11 300
Other chemical products	14 754	14 675	14 680	16 080	16 242	16 038
Rubber products	1 898	1 908	1 977	1 841	1 847	2 034
Plastic products	8 038	7 826	7 975	8 378	7 864	8 777
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	7 852	7 332	7 645	8 003	7 682	8 581
Glass and glass products	1 480	1 317	1 392	1 422	1 649	1 599
Non-metallic mineral products	6 371	6 016	6 253	6 581	6 032	6 982
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	57 436	59 148	61 682	64 984	59 064	64 446
Basic iron and steel products	12 705	14 186	12 390	14 651	12 255	13 556
Non-ferrous metal products	16 302	15 963	17 905	19 833	16 932	17 790
Structural metal products	4 640	4 506	4 436	4 407	4 085	4 650
Other fabricated metal products	10 053	9 389	10 337	9 820	9 617	10 453
General purpose machinery	5 230	5 875	6 399	6 063	6 027	6 880
Special purpose machinery	7 318	8 023	8 972	8 949	8 831	9 668
Household appliances	1 188	1 207	1 243	1 261	1 316	1 450
Electrical machinery	6 927	7 689	7 936	7 881	7 243	7 810
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	2 258	2 556	2 392	2 561	2 657	2 284
Radio, television and communication apparatus	1 010	1 150	1 042	1 301	1 413	1 231
Professional equipment	1 248	1 405	1 350	1 260	1 244	1 053
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	50 581	47 190	49 871	45 639	47 938	46 881
Motor vehicles	31 494	29 386	34 272	30 112	33 566	32 082
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	1 262	1 267	1 385	1 248	1 163	1 340
Parts and accessories	13 964	11 767	10 432	10 896	9 676	10 111
Other transport equipment	3 861	4 770	3 783	3 383	3 533	3 348
Furniture and other manufacturing	9 636	9 245	9 988	9 374	9 367	10 554
Furniture	1 424	1 446	1 562	1 630	1 677	1 624
Other manufacturing groups	8 212	7 799	8 427	7 744	7 690	8 930
Total	280 477	284 961	284 162	287 268	282 187	290 435

Table 12 – Year-on-year percentage change in manufacturing sales at current prices by division and major group

Manufacturing division and major group	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24
Food and beverages	7,8	5,2	-2,2	1,1	3,9	8,4
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	8,3	-1,6	8,9	4,2	-2,8	2,9
Dairy products	10,0	-6,7	-0,2	-6,5	-3,9	5,6
Grain mill products	-3,4	-12,1	1,1	-6,5	-4,6	2,4
Other food products	5,0	39,5	-28,5	-7,7	23,9	14,1
Beverages	18,0	3,1	13,8	16,7	9,0	18,5
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	7,6	-1,1	10,1	4,1	0,2	2,6
Textiles	1,7	-6,2	5,0	-20,0	-12,7	-13,7
Other textile products	8,8	4,9	20,0	23,6	5,1	18,7
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,0	-25,4	-9,5	1,7	7,4	3,2
Wearing apparel	13,0	2,7	5,3	1,4	3,9	-3,3
Leather and leather products	8,3	-11,6	24,1	13,3	2,7	19,1
Footwear	-3,3	-2,6	3,1	-4,8	-7,9	-7,8
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	16,6	-4,9	14,2	1,7	4,0	-4,2
Sawmilling and planing of wood	1,0	-3,6	1,8	-1,0	-5,1	0,9
Products of wood	-3,3	6,0	26,3	-7,1	3,1	-6,6
Paper and paper products	35,5	-6,2	11,9	0,7	4,0	-12,5
Publishing	-7,3	-9,2	-2,5	0,8	-10,2	8,1
Printing, recorded media	-0,3	-6,6	27,1	15,7	18,0	18,4
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	13,4	-1,6	9,7	9,1	6,4	15,9
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	27,7	12,2	11,1	30,6	8,3	26,1
Basic chemicals	9,6	-12,5	8,3	-1,6	14,6	24,0
Other chemical products	3,1	-8,9	4,4	-1,8	1,0	5,5
Rubber products	-0,6	-14,5	10,3	-6,4	-5,7	-4,3
Plastic products	8,6	-3,7	18,4	6,1	4,3	9,2
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	16,2	-1,4	8,2	1,5	1,9	9,1
Glass and glass products	6,9	-16,2	3,7	2,7	19,4	20,4
Non-metallic mineral products	18,6	2,6	9,2	1,3	-2,0	6,8
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	7,3	-7,1	12,1	4,6	-6,2	10,9
Basic iron and steel products	5,9	-11,8	-12,2	12,3	-17,7	0,7
Non-ferrous metal products	13,2	-4,2	22,5	16,0	10,4	27,7
Structural metal products	25,2	-2,8	17,3	7,4	0,5	13,3
Other fabricated metal products	8,1	-3,4	23,9	-8,6	-11,9	3,0
General purpose machinery	-4,5	-7,3	11,9	-8,2	-10,4	20,6
Special purpose machinery	-3,3	-10,3	23,9	-2,7	-9,1	2,0
Household appliances	8,6	-8,3	1,8	-3,4	-0,2	12,4
Electrical machinery	5,2	0,4	20,6	1,4	-6,0	-2,0
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	0,7	-4,0	12,1	12,9	16,3	5,3
Radio, television and communication apparatus	-12,0	-9,8	2,4	35,4	41,4	13,4
Professional equipment	14,0	1,4	21,2	-3,6	-3,2	-2,9
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	13,9	-12,7	30,0	9,0	5,8	-3,4
Motor vehicles	20,1	-14,2	44,8	26,9	23,6	6,3
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	3,4	-18,4	20,9	-18,8	-26,8	-5,6
Parts and accessories	5,0	-12,7	-1,3	-18,5	-26,3	-27,2
Other transport equipment	5,2	-0,9	27,3	4,3	3,5	11,2
Furniture and other manufacturing	14,0	-7,3	4,1	-5,4	-6,3	2,1
Furniture	9,0	-8,1	7,1	7,2	7,0	6,0
Other manufacturing groups	14,9	-7,1	3,6	-7,7	-8,8	1,4
Total	10,7	-3,6	10,5	4,6	1,8	6,7

Table 13 – Contribution of each division and major group to the year-on-year percentage change in manufacturing sales at current prices (percentage points)

Manufacturing division and major group	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24
Food and beverages	1,9	1,2	-0,6	0,3	0,9	1,9
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	0,6	-0,1	0,6	0,3	-0,2	0,2
Dairy products	0,2	-0,1	0,0	-0,1	-0,1	0,1
Grain mill products	-0,1	-0,5	0,0	-0,3	-0,2	0,1
Other food products	0,3	1,8	-1,9	-0,4	0,9	0,6
Beverages	0,9	0,2	0,7	0,8	0,4	0,8
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	0,2	0,0	0,2	0,1	0,0	0,1
Textiles	0,0	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0
Other textile products	0,1	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,0	0,1
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Wearing apparel	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Leather and leather products	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Footwear	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	1,0	-0,3	0,8	0,1	0,3	-0,3
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Products of wood	0,0	0,0	0,2	-0,1	0,0	-0,1
Paper and paper products	1,0	-0,2	0,3	0,0	0,1	-0,4
Publishing	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0
Printing, recorded media	0,0	-0,1	0,2	0,1	0,2	0,2
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	2,7	-0,3	2,0	1,8	1,3	3,0
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	1,9	0,8	0,9	1,8	0,6	1,7
Basic chemicals	0,4	-0,5	0,3	-0,1	0,6	0,8
Other chemical products	0,2	-0,5	0,2	-0,1	0,1	0,3
Rubber products	0,0	-0,1	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Plastic products	0,3	-0,1	0,5	0,2	0,1	0,3
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	0,4	0,0	0,2	0,0	0,1	0,3
Glass and glass products	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1
Non-metallic mineral products	0,4	0,1	0,2	0,0	0,0	0,2
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	1,5	-1,5	2,6	1,0	-1,4	2,3
Basic iron and steel products	0,3	-0,6	-0,7	0,6	-1,0	0,0
Non-ferrous metal products	0,8	-0,2	1,3	1,0	0,6	1,4
Structural metal products	0,4	0,0	0,3	0,1	0,0	0,2
Other fabricated metal products	0,3	-0,1	0,8	-0,3	-0,5	0,1
General purpose machinery	-0,1	-0,2	0,3	-0,2	-0,3	0,4
Special purpose machinery	-0,1	-0,3	0,7	-0,1	-0,3	0,1
Household appliances	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,1
Electrical machinery	0,1	0,0	0,5	0,0	-0,2	-0,1
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,0
Radio, television and communication apparatus	-0,1	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1
Professional equipment	0,1	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	2,4	-2,3	4,5	1,4	0,9	-0,6
Motor vehicles	2,1	-1,6	4,1	2,3	2,3	0,7
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,0	-0,1	0,1	-0,1	-0,2	0,0
Parts and accessories	0,3	-0,6	-0,1	-0,9	-1,2	-1,4
Other transport equipment	0,1	0,0	0,3	0,1	0,0	0,1
Furniture and other manufacturing	0,5	-0,2	0,2	-0,2	-0,2	0,1
Furniture	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Other manufacturing groups	0,4	-0,2	0,1	-0,2	-0,3	0,0
Total	10,7	-3,6	10,5	4,6	1,8	6,7

Table 14 – Seasonally adjusted manufacturing sales at current prices by division and major group (R million)

Manufacturing division and major group	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Month-on-month % change
Food and beverages	73 372	65 901	68 754	68 050	68 157	0,2
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	19 762	19 582	20 273	19 934	19 986	0,3
Dairy products	5 974	6 136	6 156	6 259	6 199	-1,0
Grain mill products	11 028	11 230	11 155	11 431	11 330	-0,9
Other food products	20 779	12 237	14 126	13 631	13 606	-0,2
Beverages	15 830	16 716	17 043	16 795	17 037	1,4
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	6 163	6 377	6 327	6 410	6 311	-1,5
Textiles	890	856	770	875	793	-9,4
Other textile products	1 841	1 962	1 992	1 973	2 021	2,4
Knitted, crocheted articles	188	205	226	237	245	3,4
Wearing apparel	2 007	2 072	2 082	2 097	2 006	-4,3
Leather and leather products	538	574	566	548	588	7,3
Footwear	698	709	691	679	658	-3,1
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	18 293	18 854	18 265	18 484	18 004	-2,6
Sawmilling and planing of wood	1 535	1 435	1 500	1 503	1 452	-3,4
Products of wood	2 330	2 664	2 303	2 330	2 216	-4,9
Paper and paper products	10 103	10 042	9 724	9 924	9 397	-5,3
Publishing	1 391	1 486	1 590	1 528	1 775	16,2
Printing, recorded media	2 934	3 227	3 149	3 199	3 165	-1,1
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	56 445	59 967	56 766	59 887	62 808	4,9
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	21 743	22 626	20 951	20 994	24 790	18,1
Basic chemicals	9 725	11 451	10 114	12 653	11 534	-8,8
Other chemical products	15 076	15 379	15 448	16 063	16 125	0,4
Rubber products	1 866	1 975	1 865	1 804	1 954	8,3
Plastic products	8 034	8 537	8 387	8 373	8 405	0,4
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	7 796	7 951	7 689	7 887	8 094	2,6
Glass and glass products	1 423	1 559	1 510	1 689	1 696	0,4
Non-metallic mineral products	6 373	6 392	6 178	6 198	6 398	3,2
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	56 842	62 618	60 958	56 501	63 342	12,1
Basic iron and steel products	13 010	12 453	13 845	11 030	13 670	23,9
Non-ferrous metal products	14 783	18 003	17 931	16 549	18 367	11,0
Structural metal products	4 286	4 631	4 394	3 858	4 579	18,7
Other fabricated metal products	9 731	10 401	9 367	9 505	9 811	3,2
General purpose machinery	5 728	6 710	5 724	5 611	6 604	17,7
Special purpose machinery	8 120	9 203	8 474	8 689	8 890	2,3
Household appliances	1 185	1 217	1 224	1 258	1 420	12,9
Electrical machinery	7 228	8 174	7 478	7 270	7 515	3,4
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	2 372	2 749	2 749	2 760	2 515	-8,9
Radio, television and communication apparatus	1 112	1 310	1 541	1 564	1 369	-12,5
Professional equipment	1 260	1 439	1 208	1 196	1 147	-4,1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	43 624	50 240	46 596	48 867	43 270	-11,5
Motor vehicles	27 308	33 927	31 006	34 098	28 018	-17,8
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	1 285	1 362	1 206	1 050	1 256	19,6
Parts and accessories	11 179	10 723	10 658	10 012	10 187	1,7
Other transport equipment	3 851	4 227	3 727	3 708	3 808	2,7
Furniture and other manufacturing	9 403	9 939	9 407	9 420	10 105	7,3
Furniture	1 579	1 673	1 645	1 667	1 642	-1,5
Other manufacturing groups	7 824	8 266	7 762	7 753	8 463	9,2
Total	281 537	292 772	284 988	285 536	290 121	1,6

Explanatory notes

- Introduction**
- 1 Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly survey of the manufacturing industry, covering manufacturing enterprises. This statistical release contains the results of a sample drawn from the statistical business register (SBR), with enhanced coverage of South African businesses (see point 3). The release contains monthly indices of the volume of manufacturing production and monthly value of sales of manufactured products by division and major group.
 - 2 In accordance with international practice, the indices are usually re-based every five years to a new base year. The current base period of the index is 2019. Both estimated and seasonally adjusted figures are presented.
 - 3 Stats SA is continuously updating its SBR, based on units registered for value-added tax (VAT) and income tax (IT) obtained from the South African Revenue Service (SARS).
- Purpose of the survey**
- 4 The results of the monthly manufacturing production and sales survey are used to calculate the volume of manufacturing production indices in order to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and its components, which in turn are used to develop and monitor government policy. These indices provide an indicator of the real level of manufacturing activity in the economy.
- Special Data Dissemination Standard of the IMF**
- 5 The data in this statistical release adhere to the Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), which sets out standards on coverage, periodicity and timeliness of data, access by the public, integrity, and quality of the disseminated data.
- Scope of the survey**
- 6 This survey covers manufacturing enterprises, i.e. those conducting activities in:
 - the manufacturing, processing, making or packing of products;
 - the slaughtering of animals, including poultry; and
 - installation, assembly, completion, repair and related work.
- Classification**
- 7 The 1993 edition of the *Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities* (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02, 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. Each enterprise is classified to an industry which reflects its predominant activity. Statistics in this publication are presented at SIC division (two-digit) and major group (three-digit) level.
- Collection rate**
- 8 The preliminary collection rate for the survey on manufacturing production and sales was 61,2% for July 2024. The collection rate for June 2024 for the new sample was 65,0%.
- Statistical unit**
- 9 The statistical unit for which information is compiled and published is an enterprise, 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. The statistical units are derived from and linked to the South African Revenue Service (SARS) administrative data.

Revised figures

- 10** Revised figures are mainly due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. The reasons for routine revisions are outlined in the following schedule. Any unscheduled revisions will be promptly indicated in relevant tables to maintain transparency and accuracy. It is important to note that seasonally adjusted figures are revised monthly.

Statistical release	Reason for revision	Period subject to revision
Jul-24	Additional information from respondents New sample	Jan-98 - Jun-24
Aug-24	Additional information from respondents	May-24 - Jul-24
Sep-24	Additional information from respondents New weights for manufacturing production	Jan-21 - Aug-24
Oct-24	Additional information from respondents	Jul-24 - Sep-24
Nov-24	Additional information from respondents	Aug-24 - Oct-24
Dec-24	Additional information from respondents	Sep-24 - Nov-24
Jan-25	Additional information from respondents	Oct-24 - Dec-24
Feb-25	Additional information from respondents	Nov-24 - Jan-25
Mar-25	Additional information from respondents	Dec-24 - Feb-25
Apr-25	Additional information from respondents	Jan-25 - Mar-25
May-25	Additional information from respondents	Feb-25 - Apr-25
Jun-25	Additional information from respondents	Mar-25 - May-25
New base year in 2027/28 - periodic, approximately four- to five-year intervals		

Related publications

- 11** Users may also wish to refer to *Stats in Brief* available from Stats SA.

Rounding-off of figures

- 12** Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown. There may, therefore, be slight discrepancies between the sums of the constituent items and the totals shown.

Historical data

- 13** Historical manufacturing data are available on the Stats SA webpage. Click on the following link ([Time series data](#)) to access the data electronically.

Past publications

- 14** Past manufacturing releases are available on the Stats SA webpage. Click on the following link ([Past publications](#)) to access the releases electronically.

Technical notes

Survey methodology and design

- 1** The survey is conducted monthly. Questionnaires are sent to a sample of 3 046 enterprises from a population of 25 829 manufacturing enterprises. Completed questionnaires are required to be returned to Stats SA within 10 days after the end of the reference month. Fax and telephone reminders are used to follow up on non-respondents.
- 2** A stratified random sample was drawn at the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) three-digit level in April 2024 from Stats SA’s statistical business register (SBR). Strata were formed using a combination of the SIC and the measure of size classes for enterprises (see point 3 on the following page).

The Neyman optimal allocation formula used to allocate samples to each stratum is given by a formula below:

$$n_h = \frac{N_h S_h}{\sum N_h S_h}$$

N_h and S_h are the stratum population size and the stratum variance respectively.

Class limits

- 3 Each manufacturing major group is divided into four size groups. All large enterprises (size group one) are completely enumerated. Simple random sampling is applied to medium (size group two) and to small (size groups three and four) enterprises. The total value of sales of manufactured products of large enterprises (size group one) in a major group is added to the weighted totals of size groups two, three and four of that major group to reflect the total value of sales of the major group.

Measure of size classes (Rand)

Enterprise size	Size group	Lower limit	Upper limit
Very small	4	4 050 394	25 000 000
Small	3	25 000 001	65 000 000
Medium	2	65 000 001	255 000 000
Large	1	255 000 001	

Sample weighting

- 4 For those strata not completely enumerated, the weights to produce estimates are the inverse ratio of the sampling fraction, modified to take account of non-response in the survey. Stratum estimates are calculated and then aggregated with the completely enumerated stratum to form major group and division estimates. These procedures are consistent with international best practice.

Index of the volume of manufacturing production

- 5 The index of the volume of manufacturing production, also known as a production index, is a statistical measure of the change in the volume of production. The production index of a major group is the ratio between the volume of production of a major group in a given period and the volume of production of the same major group in the base period. The current base period is 2019. The production in the base period is set at 100.

Calculation of production index

- 6 The calculation of the monthly production indices is based on the value of sales of products and articles manufactured and change in monthly value of stocks of manufactured products, after the effect of price changes has been eliminated through deflation using appropriate indices of the producer price index (PPI). For 38 of the 44 major groups in manufacturing, the value of production is calculated from the value of sales and stocks of manufactured products obtained from the monthly survey of manufacturing enterprises.
- 7 More direct indicators are used for the value of production of the following major groups:
- tobacco;
 - coke and refined petroleum products;
 - basic iron and steel products;
 - basic precious and non-ferrous metal products;
 - motor vehicles; and
 - parts and accessories for motor vehicles.

The volume indices for these major groups are calculated on the basis of quantities. This method is used by the national statistical agencies of many other countries for petroleum products as the results are considered more satisfactory (mainly because these commodities are relatively homogeneous).

Index weighting

- 8** For indices, a weight is calculated for every major group according to the value added of the major group (i.e. output of a major group minus intermediate consumption) relative to the total value added of the manufacturing industry as a whole, based on the results of the most recent census of manufacturing, large sample survey (LSS) of the manufacturing industry or national accounts (NA) value added data. The production indices of all divisions are multiplied by the applicable weights and aggregated to produce the index for the total volume of manufacturing production. Weights between census/LSS/NA years are fixed. The table below reflects the period and the census/LSS/NA which were used as base year for the given period.

Period	Source
1998 to 2000	1996 Census of manufacturing
2001 to 2004	2001 LSS
2005 to 2009	2005 LSS
2010 to 2024	National accounts

- 9** The weights reflect the importance of the major group/division to the total manufacturing industry. The weights change over time due to changes in the relative performance of industries, due to factors such as quality changes, changes in relative prices, and changes in customer preferences. New weights are calculated and implemented annually.

Table G – Weights by division and major group

Manufacturing division and major group	Weights used for manufacturing indices by period			
	2017 (based on value added for 2015 – 2017)	2018 (based on value added for 2016 – 2018)	2019 (based on value added for 2017 – 2019)	2020 – 2024 (based on value added for 2018 – 2020)
Food and beverages	19,76	20,18	20,75	21,44
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	2,74	2,95	3,27	3,42
Dairy products	1,32	1,34	1,39	1,47
Grain mill products	1,81	1,69	1,68	1,85
Other food products	7,53	7,76	7,75	7,81
Beverages	6,36	6,44	6,66	6,89
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	4,44	4,38	4,26	4,07
Textiles	1,11	1,10	1,08	1,04
Other textile products	0,67	0,65	0,61	0,58
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	0,06	0,06	0,06
Wearing apparel	2,07	2,04	1,98	1,88
Leather and leather products	0,28	0,28	0,27	0,26
Footwear	0,25	0,25	0,25	0,25
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,76	10,77	10,63	10,48
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,93	0,93	0,87	0,86
Products of wood	0,86	0,87	0,88	0,90
Paper and paper products	5,33	5,39	5,34	5,26
Publishing	2,28	2,24	2,18	2,10
Printing, recorded media	1,36	1,34	1,35	1,36
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic	25,25	25,38	24,95	24,86
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,72	12,02	11,85	11,92
Basic chemicals	3,82	3,69	3,50	3,39
Other chemical products	6,42	6,54	6,64	6,82
Rubber products	0,91	0,84	0,76	0,68
Plastic products	2,38	2,29	2,20	2,05
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,66	3,42	3,24	3,10
Glass and glass products	0,57	0,51	0,49	0,48
Non-metallic mineral products	3,09	2,91	2,75	2,62
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	19,55	19,47	19,73	19,96
Basic iron and steel products	2,77	2,82	2,92	2,92
Non-ferrous metal products (including precious metals)	3,48	3,26	3,32	3,54
Structural metal products	1,97	1,98	1,99	2,01
Other fabricated metal products	3,32	3,35	3,53	3,65
General purpose machinery	3,36	3,46	3,42	3,45
Special purpose machinery	3,93	3,87	3,85	3,73
Household appliances	0,71	0,73	0,70	0,66
Electrical machinery	2,42	2,31	2,21	2,14
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,34	1,21	1,07	1,06
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,29	0,13	0,04	0,08
Professional equipment	1,05	1,08	1,03	0,98
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,56	8,66	8,89	8,72
Motor vehicles	2,61	2,65	2,78	2,62
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,68	0,71	0,73	0,75
Parts and accessories	3,91	3,93	3,97	4,03
Other transport equipment	1,36	1,37	1,40	1,32
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,26	4,21	4,27	4,17
Furniture	0,91	0,86	0,78	0,69
Other manufacturing groups	3,35	3,35	3,49	3,48
Total	100	100	100	100

Seasonal adjustment 10 Seasonally adjusted estimates are generated each month, using the X-12 Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by the United States Census Bureau. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences, which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. This means the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for manufacturing production and sales is described in more detail on the Stats SA website:

[Click to download Manufacturing seasonal adjustment February 2022.](#)

Trend cycle 11 The trend is the long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12 Seasonal Adjustment Programme is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted estimates to estimates of the underlying trend.

Reliability of estimates 12 Data presented in this publication are based on information obtained from a sample and are, therefore, subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the data had been obtained from all enterprises in the manufacturing industry in South Africa. Estimates are subject to sampling and non-sampling errors.

13 Inaccuracies may occur because of imperfections in reporting by enterprises and errors made in the collection and processing of the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling errors. Every effort is made to minimise non-sampling errors by careful design of questionnaires, testing them in pilot studies, editing reported data and implementing efficient operating procedures. Fluctuations may occur in consecutive months as a result of seasonal and economic factors.

Relative standard error 14 One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error (SE), which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of enterprises was used. The relative standard error (RSE) provides an immediate indication of the percentage errors likely to have occurred due to sampling, and thus avoids the need to refer to the size of the estimate.

Estimates of total industry sales within 95% confidence limits – July 2024

	Lower limit (R million)	Estimate (R million)	Upper limit (R million)	Relative standard error (RSE) %
Total sales	286 018	290 435	294 853	0,8

Month-on-month percentage change 15 The month-on-month percentage change in a variable for any given month is the change between that month and the previous month, expressed as a percentage of the latter.

Year-on-year (annual) percentage change 16 The year-on-year percentage change in a variable for any given period is the change between that period and the corresponding period of the previous year, expressed as a percentage of the latter.

Index contribution (percentage points) 17 The contribution (percentage points) of a major group or division to the total manufacturing production percentage change for a given period is calculated by multiplying the difference in the index of each major group or division by the weight of the major group or division and then dividing by the previous period total manufacturing index.

Sales contribution (percentage points) 18 The contribution (percentage points) of a division or major group to the percentage change in total manufacturing sales for a given period is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each major group or division with its percentage contribution to the total sales of the previous period, divided by 100.

Glossary

Enterprise	The enterprise is a legal entity or a combination of legal units that includes and directly controls all functions necessary to carry out its production activities.	
Industry	An industry is made up of enterprises engaged in the same or similar kinds of economic activity. Industries are defined in the <i>System of National Accounts (SNA)</i> in the same way as in the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (SIC)</i> , Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02 of January 1993.	
Sales	Sales are the total value of sales and transfers-out of all own manufactured products/articles and the amounts received for installation, erection or assembly or other services rendered.	
Symbols and abbreviations	GDP	Gross domestic product
	IMF	International Monetary Fund
	ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification
	LSS	Large sample survey
	NA	National accounts
	PPI	Producer price index
	SARS	South African Revenue Service
	SBR	Statistical business register
	SDDS	Special Data Dissemination Standard
	SIC	Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities
	Stats SA	Statistics South Africa
	VAT	Value-added tax
	*	Revised figures

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