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### **WHOLESALE TRADE SALES OF PETROL LOWER THAN FOR 1996**

*The wholesale trade sales of petrol for the first four months of 1997 are 0,6% lower than for the corresponding period of 1996. The total volume of petrol sold for April 1997 is 1,9% lower than for April 1996.*

The total wholesale trade sales of petrol for April 1997 amounted to 904 719 kilolitres, of which 320 600 kilolitres (35,4%) was sold in Gauteng. Petrol sales in Gauteng for April 1997 are 2,1% lower than

for April 1996.

Seven of the nine provinces show decreases in the sales of petrol for April 1997 compared with April 1996. The total sales of petrol to garages and other resellers decreased by 1,4% and 2,4% respectively over this period, while sales to the agricultural sector, the public authorities and other business users decreased by 15,1%, 6,2% and 9,6% respectively.

The wholesale trade sales of automotive diesel oil for April 1997 amounted to 525 916 kilolitres, which is 2,9% higher than for April 1996. A total volume of 111 696 kilolitres, which comprises 21,2% of the total sales of automotive diesel oil in the RSA, was sold in the Western Cape. This is 18,0% higher than the sales in this province for April 1996.

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**SUMMARY - WHOLESALE TRADE SALES OF PETROL AND AUTOMOTIVE DIESEL OIL**

Period	Petrol		Automotive diesel oil	
	Kilolitres	% change	Kilolitres	% change
<b>Actual quantity:</b>				
Apr. 1997	904 719	-1,9	525 916	+2,9
Apr. 1996	921 963		511 134	
<b>Seasonally adjusted quantity:</b>				
Apr. 1997	871 573	-4,3	529 040	+7,7
Mar. 1997	910 287		491 297	

## NOTES

Both actual and seasonally adjusted quantities for total sales of petrol and automotive diesel oil are given in the summary.

The information in this statistical release includes the former TBVC states.

Figures are rounded-off independently of one another; the sum of the figures may therefore not necessarily add up to the totals.

### Symbols and abbreviations used

kl = kilolitres

t = metric tons

.. = data not available

- = nil

\* = revised

### 1. WHOLESALE TRADE SALES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA BY TYPE OF PRODUCT

PRODUCT	UNIT	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Jan. - Apr.	
		1997	1997	1996	1997	1996
<b>FUEL</b>						
Petrol	kl	904 719	881 921	921 963	3 516 316	3 538 608
97 octane	kl	344 282	343 110	347 556	1 362 046	1 330 973
95 octane - unleaded	kl	35 789	37 101	39 838	143 638	104 016
93 octane	kl	479 313	456 934	490 265	1 835 802	1 982 009
91 octane - unleaded	kl	45 313	44 775	44 279	174 802	109 998
87 octane	kl	23	-	25	28	11 615
Aviation fuel						
Avgas	kl	2 366	1 818	2 302	8 531	8 256
Jet fuel	kl	169 151	97 722	154 369	573 381	501 514
Power paraffin	kl	1 008	1 083	1 619	4 058	5 496

Illuminating paraffin	kl	81 753	69 795	78 306	281 347	283 873
Liquid petroleum gas	t	23 373	20 590	24 764	83 575	87 710
Automotive diesel oil 1/	kl	525 916	465 409	511 134	1 943 909	1 923 985
Industrial diesel oil 1/	kl	14 611	10 937	16 435	59 531	64 736
Heavy furnace oil 1/	kl	299 410	235 043	321 403	1 184 728	1 190 575
<b>LUBRICANTS</b>						
Automotive oil 1/ 2/	kl	17 974	17 263	16 433	68 093	65 761
Industrial oil 1/ 2/ 3/	kl	13 735	11 620	11 186	51 004	46 144
Extracts and process oil	kl	2 882	1 867	2 293	11 184	10 494
Automotive grease 1/	t	376	375	354	1 468	1 397
Industrial grease 1/	t	789	760	688	3 078	3 041
<b>OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS</b>						
Solvents	kl	9 932	8 339	11 512	37 069	42 598
Bitumen	t	17 083	17 602	24 271	70 223	84 867
Petrolatum	t	1 381	1 307	1 162	5 098	3 812
Paraffin wax	t	1 612	1 138	1 326	5 521	6 598

1/ Includes international marine sales

2/ Includes re-refined oil

3/ Excludes extracts and process oil

**2. WHOLESALE TRADE SALES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, BY PROVINCE, TYPE OF PRODUCT AND MARKET GROUP  
APRIL 1997**

PRODUCT AND MARKET GROUP	UNIT	TOTAL	WESTERN CAPE	EASTERN CAPE	NORTHERN CAPE	FREE STATE	KWAZULU-NATAL	NORTH WEST	GAUTENG	MPUMALANGA	NORTHERN PROVINCE
<b>FUEL</b>											
Petrol	kl	904 719	135 550	68 210	17 918	54 194	143 806	50 997	320 600	65 379	48 066
97 octane	kl	344 282	120 907	58 979	2 711	3 111	130 749	-	3	18 145	9 677
95 octane - unleaded	kl	35 789	14 527	5 681	304	541	12 570	-	-	1 562	606
93 octane	kl	479 313	116	3 409	13 818	47 112	487	48 595	287 069	42 622	36 084
91 octane - unleaded	kl	45 313	-	140	1 084	3 431	-	2 402	33 506	3 050	1 700
87 octane	kl	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	-	-
Petrol sales to											
Resellers	kl	858 142	129 315	64 555	16 466	50 775	136 717	47 156	307 641	61 270	44 247
Garages	kl	838 373	127 943	63 516	15 010	50 200	133 409	45 155	306 414	58 208	38 518
Other	kl	19 769	1 372	1 039	1 456	575	3 308	2 002	1 227	3 062	5 729
Business users	kl	46 577	6 235	3 654	1 451	3 420	7 088	3 841	12 959	4 109	3 820
Agriculture	kl	7 115	1 507	361	273	967	854	950	259	941	1 003
Government	kl	21 986	2 797	2 303	663	1 799	3 897	1 950	5 032	1 458	2 089
Other	kl	17 476	1 932	991	515	654	2 337	942	7 668	1 710	728
Aviation fuel											
Avgas	kl	2 366	260	154	79	130	639	49	933	83	39
Jet fuel	kl	169 151	32 857	4 033	323	341	11 986	58	118 295	33	1 225
Power paraffin	kl	1 008	202	58	40	41	185	71	355	14	42
Agriculture	kl	222	78	6	22	22	21	26	13	12	22
Other	kl	786	124	52	18	20	164	45	342	2	20
Illuminating paraffin	kl	81 753	6 898	15 932	1 490	6 798	17 426	8 843	13 408	5 439	5 519
Liquid petroleum gas	t	23 373	4 555	1 984	558	1 831	4 573	1 953	5 879	793	1 247

2. WHOLESALE TRADE SALES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, BY PROVINCE, TYPE OF PRODUCT AND MARKET GROUP (continued)  
APRIL 1997

PRODUCT AND MARKET GROUP	UNIT	TOTAL	WESTERN CAPE	EASTERN CAPE	NORTHERN CAPE	FREE STATE	KWAZULU-NATAL	NORTH WEST	GAUTENG	MPUMALANGA	NORTHERN PROVINCE
Automotive diesel oil 1/	kl	525 916	111 696	29 888	24 335	45 194	93 096	31 967	96 185	61 958	31 598
On shore sales 2/	kl	483 428	77 054	29 888	24 335	45 194	85 250	31 967	96 185	61 958	31 598
Resellers	kl	116 738	17 474	11 100	5 538	11 695	21 455	5 264	25 421	10 062	8 729
Business users	kl	366 690	59 580	18 788	18 796	33 498	63 795	26 702	70 763	51 897	22 870
Agriculture	kl	97 261	19 284	5 705	4 955	17 993	13 849	10 330	5 352	12 446	7 347
Mining	kl	44 248	1 130	301	8 447	2 588	2 213	3 059	4 721	16 570	5 218
Construction	kl	28 912	3 862	1 876	442	1 556	4 891	1 832	6 172	5 479	2 803
Transport	kl	109 096	16 342	5 154	2 551	7 415	24 299	6 600	33 074	9 803	3 859
Local marine fishing	kl	8 123	6 399	976	117	-	632	-	-	-	-
Public authorities	kl	20 506	3 087	1 434	1 036	1 321	4 623	1 356	4 596	1 490	1 562
Other	kl	58 543	9 476	3 342	1 249	2 625	13 287	3 525	16 849	6 109	2 082
International marine	kl	42 488	34 642	-	-	-	7 846	-	-	-	-
Industrial diesel oil 1/	kl	14 611	2 816	-	-	26	8 864	-	540	2 211	153
On shore sales 2/	kl	2 957	-	-	-	26	26	-	540	2 211	153
International marine	kl	11 654	2 816	-	-	-	8 838	-	-	-	-
Heavy furnace oil 1/	kl	299 410	122 695	5 420	167	2 424	155 392	635	6 027	5 030	1 620
On shore sales 2/	kl	54 561	13 867	5 420	167	2 424	19 370	635	6 027	5 030	1 620
International marine	kl	244 849	108 828	-	-	-	136 022	-	-	-	-
LUBRICANTS											
Automotive oil 1/ 3/	kl	17 974	2 270	1 204	599	1 293	3 156	2 125	4 471	1 915	941
On shore sales 2/	kl	17 962	2 261	1 204	599	1 293	3 153	2 125	4 471	1 915	941
Resellers	kl	7 496	988	574	115	437	1 610	285	2 607	458	422
Business users	kl	10 466	1 273	630	484	856	1 543	1 840	1 864	1 457	519
Agriculture	kl	2 615	462	129	175	515	340	373	145	378	98
Public authorities	kl	608	99	53	48	33	136	17	177	25	20
Other	kl	7 243	712	448	261	308	1 067	1 450	1 542	1 054	401
International marine	kl	12	9	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-

1/ Includes international marine sales

2/ Includes local marine sales

3/ Includes re-refined oil

2. WHOLESALE TRADE SALES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, BY PROVINCE, TYPE OF PRODUCT AND MARKET GROUP (concluded)  
APRIL 1997

PRODUCT AND MARKET GROUP	UNIT	TOTAL	WESTERN CAPE	EASTERN CAPE	NORTHERN CAPE	FREE STATE	KWAZULU-NATAL	NORTH WEST	GAUTENG	MPUMALANGA	NORTHERN PROVINCE
Industrial oil 1/ 3/ 4/	kl	13 735	1 394	357	138	524	3 743	482	3 881	2 999	217
On shore sales 2/	kl	12 153	1 053	357	138	524	2 502	482	3 881	2 999	217

International marine	kl	1 582	341	-	-	-	1 241	-	-	-	-
Extracts and process oil	kl	2 882	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Automotive grease 1/	t	376	39	17	7	32	68	23	121	31	38
On shore sales 2/	t	376	39	17	7	32	68	23	121	31	38
Resellers	t	102	8	2	2	2	24	2	52	2	8
Business users	t	274	31	15	5	30	44	21	69	29	30
Agriculture	t	88	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Public authorities	t	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other	t	179	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
International marine	t	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Industrial grease 1/	t	789	39	20	17	81	109	56	321	99	47
On shore sales 2/	t	786	38	20	17	81	107	56	321	99	47
International marine	t	3	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS											
Solvents	kl	9 932	934	1 075	52	229	4 910	61	2 582	30	58
Bitumen	t	17 083	4 184	323	19	1 630	3 525	511	5 714	728	448
Petrolatum	t	1 381	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Paraffin wax	t	1 612	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

1/ Includes international marine sales

2/ Includes local marine sales

3/ Includes re-refined oil

4/ Excludes extracts and process oil

### 3. WHOLESALE TRADE SALES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO AGRICULTURE IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

PRODUCT	Jan. - Apr.										
	Apr. 1997		Mar. 1997		Apr. 1996		1997		1996		
	kl	R 1 000	kl	R 1 000	kl	R 1 000	kl	R 1 000	kl	R 1 000	
Automotive diesel oil	97 261	158 920	92 629	176 067	107 401	179 571	401 518	746 102	423 928	692 478	
Petrol	7 115	16 126	6 523	15 734	8 377	15 312	27 172	62 610	29 147	52 017	
Power paraffin	222	358	243	386	375	386	966	1 551	1 436	1 492	
Lubricating oil	2 954	14 858	2 672	14 936	2 781	13 841	11 124	58 835	11 016	56 652	
	t	R 1 000	t	R 1 000	t	R 1 000	t	R 1 000	t	R 1 000	
Grease	125	890	110	768	109	681	435	3 057	381	2 406	

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