

Retail trade sales

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REAL RETAIL TRADE SALES DECREASE

The real retail trade sales (at constant 1995 prices) for the three months up to January 1999 reflected a decrease of 2,8% compared with the corresponding period of a year ago. The seasonally adjusted real retail trade sales for the three months up to January 1999 reflected a decrease of 0,6% compared with the previous three months.

Thirteen of the twenty merchandise categories reflected decreases in the seasonally adjusted real retail trade sales for the three months up to January 1999 compared with the previous three months (cf. figure 2). The largest percentage decrease was reported for TV sets (-9,1%), followed by sport and recreation requisites (-8,4%).

Cash sales comprised 76,6% of the total sales for January 1999. This is 0,8 of a percentage point higher than the 76,1% for 1998. Hire purchases as a percentage of total sales decreased by 0,8 of a percentage point, while other credit sales as a percentage of total sales increased by 0,1 of a percentage point during this period.

SUMMARY FOR THREE MONTHS - RETAIL TRADE SALES

Period	Sales		Percentage change of sales	
	R Million		At current prices	At constant 1995 prices
	At current prices	At constant 1995 prices		
Actual values				
Nov. 1998 - Jan. 1999	44 055,4	36 122,2	+2,6	-2,8
Nov. 1997 - Jan. 1998	42 959,7	37 173,1		
Seasonally adjusted values				
Nov. 1998 - Jan. 1999	38 654,7	31 543,4	+0,9	-0,6
August 1998 - Oct. 1998	38 326,4	31 728,4		

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The information in this statistical release is based on a monthly sample survey of retailers in the Republic of South Africa. The results of the sample survey are raised to represent the total of all retailers.

Total retail trade sales by type of merchandise and selected area is shown in Table 4. The survey is conducted on a firm basis and firms are requested to submit their total sales, distributed by type of merchandise and by selected area. The information in Table 4 therefore represents imputations based on the assumption that the merchandise distribution of a firm's sales is the same for each selected area in which it trades.

Retail trade sales at current prices include VAT.

The value of sales at constant 1995 prices is obtained by deflating the sales value at current prices by means of sub-indices of the Consumer Price Index on the base 1995=100.

The fifth edition of the Standard Industrial Classification has been implemented retrospectively, resulting in the businesses 'grocers and other dealers in foodstuff', 'general department stores' and 'general dealers' being reported as general dealers.

In order to improve timeliness, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late response.

The information for the latest month is therefore preliminary and subject to revision.

Stats SA is currently redesigning this survey, including the questionnaire. Any inputs regarding the new questionnaire will be appreciated.

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Symbol used

* = revised

1. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY TYPE OF BUSINESS
1.1 AT CURRENT PRICES

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TYPE OF BUSINESS	ACTUAL VALUES					SEASONALLY ADJUSTED VALUES				
	JAN.	DEC.	JAN.	JAN. - JAN.		JAN.	DEC.	NOV.	OCT.	JAN.
	1999	1998 *	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1998	1998	1998
TOTAL RSA	11 755,1	19 066,0	11 519,4	11 755,1	11 519,4	13 042,9	12 884,3	12 727,5	12 884,7	12 796,6
BUTCHERS	513,8	703,2	503,2	513,8	503,2	538,3	550,3	490,1	568,0	528,4
GENERAL DEALERS 1/	5 837,9	8 493,4	5 761,2	5 837,9	5 761,2	6 278,9	6 204,0	6 107,4	6 126,5	6 196,8
BOTTLE STORES	361,2	713,6	339,7	361,2	339,7	459,2	461,4	473,8	456,5	427,7
DEALERS IN CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND TEXTILES	2 429,7	4 757,2	2 455,2	2 429,7	2 455,2	2 754,0	2 719,7	2 667,4	2 816,1	2 789,1
DEALERS IN FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES	977,2	2 347,6	1 002,5	977,2	1 002,5	1 298,9	1 310,3	1 289,7	1 252,9	1 330,7
BOOKSTORES AND STATIONERS	262,3	251,3	223,6	262,3	223,6	205,9	184,4	206,0	213,3	175,8
JEWELLERS	107,5	229,3	110,4	107,5	110,4	115,7	113,5	109,9	135,2	119,4
CHEMISTS	560,5	594,3	505,8	560,5	505,8	576,3	569,2	556,6	568,7	521,3
DEALERS IN MISCELLANEOUS GOODS	704,9	976,2	617,8	704,9	617,8	786,5	776,2	722,3	767,9	689,2

1.2 AT CONSTANT 1995 PRICES

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TYPE OF BUSINESS	ACTUAL VALUES					SEASONALLY ADJUSTED VALUES				
	JAN.	DEC.	JAN.	JAN. - JAN.		JAN.	DEC.	NOV.	OCT.	JAN.
	1999	1998 *	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1998	1998	1998
TOTAL RSA	9 496,0	15 739,9	9 870,6	9 496,0	9 870,6	10 595,4	10 524,7	10 423,3	10 624,2	11 020,5
BUTCHERS	426,6	604,0	429,2	426,6	429,2	456,1	472,1	420,0	484,3	460,8
GENERAL DEALERS 1/	4 535,1	6 676,5	4 798,1	4 535,1	4 798,1	4 916,7	4 855,6	4 790,8	4 842,2	5 197,7
BOTTLE STORES	271,9	540,5	281,5	271,9	281,5	339,6	342,1	354,8	343,5	348,3
DEALERS IN CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND TEXTILES	2 161,0	4 250,1	2 246,3	2 161,0	2 246,3	2 450,2	2 415,5	2 381,5	2 531,9	2 552,7
DEALERS IN FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES	842,9	2 036,6	902,4	842,9	902,4	1 123,8	1 138,7	1 124,5	1 097,6	1 201,2
BOOKSTORES AND STATIONERS	193,8	186,9	181,3	193,8	181,3	150,7	136,0	151,5	159,2	141,2
JEWELLERS	97,0	208,4	103,1	97,0	103,1	104,6	106,0	99,9	122,8	111,5
CHEMISTS	391,8	428,6	390,9	391,8	390,9	411,1	400,9	396,6	409,1	410,8
DEALERS IN MISCELLANEOUS GOODS	576,0	808,3	537,8	576,0	537,8	642,9	638,6	597,6	634,8	600,2

1/ General dealers include grocers and other dealers in foodstuffs and general department stores

2. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY SELECTED AREAS
AT CURRENT PRICES

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SELECTED AREAS	ACTUAL VALUES				
	JAN.	DEC.	JAN.	JAN. - JAN.	
	1999	1998 *	1998	1999	1998
TOTAL RSA	11 755,1	19 066,0	11 519,4	11 755,1	11 519,4
TOTAL WESTERN CAPE	2 285,5	3 646,7	2 224,0	2 285,5	2 224,0
CAPE PENINSULA (CAPE, WYNBERG, SIMON'S TOWN, GOODWOOD AND BELLVILLE)	1 415,0	2 295,1	1 353,3	1 415,0	1 353,3
STELLENBOSCH, KUILS RIVER, SOMERSET WEST, STRAND, PAARL, WORCESTER, WELLINGTON AND MALMESBURY	445,6	680,3	446,1	445,6	446,1
REST OF WESTERN CAPE	424,9	671,3	424,7	424,9	424,7
TOTAL EASTERN CAPE	983,1	1 751,9	956,0	983,1	956,0
PORT ELIZABETH AND UITENHAGE	353,2	629,8	358,4	353,2	358,4
EAST LONDON, KING WILLIAM'S TOWN, MDANTSANE AND ZWELITSHA	255,4	440,3	236,0	255,4	236,0
REST OF EASTERN CAPE	374,5	681,8	361,6	374,5	361,6
TOTAL NORTHERN CAPE	312,1	517,6	300,0	312,1	300,0
KIMBERLEY	83,1	150,1	91,7	83,1	91,7
REST OF NORTHERN CAPE	229,0	367,5	208,3	229,0	208,3
TOTAL FREE STATE	581,8	972,0	579,4	581,8	579,4
BLOEMFONTEIN AND BOTSHABELO	196,1	325,8	199,0	196,1	199,0
ODENDAALSRSUS, WELKOM, VIRGINIA AND KROONSTAD	157,2	256,7	152,4	157,2	152,4
REST OF FREE STATE (INCL. SASOLBURG)	228,5	389,5	228,0	228,5	228,0
TOTAL KWAZULU-NATAL	2 004,1	3 311,1	1 957,5	2 004,1	1 957,5
DURBAN, PINETOWN, CHATSWORTH, NTUZUMA AND UMLAZI	920,1	1 536,0	909,3	920,1	909,3
SOUTH COAST (PORT SHEPSTONE, UMZINTO AND EMBUMBULU) AND NORTH COAST (INANDA, LOWER TUGELA, MTUNZINI AND UMFOLOZI)	333,8	469,1	298,9	333,8	298,9
PIETERMARITZBURG, VULINDLELA, CAMPERDOWN AND EMPUMALANGA	205,1	337,6	213,0	205,1	213,0
MADADANI AND NEWCASTLE	63,0	106,1	70,4	63,0	70,4
REST OF KWAZULU-NATAL	482,0	862,3	466,0	482,0	466,0
TOTAL NORTH WEST	561,9	964,3	537,9	561,9	537,9
KLERKSDORP AND POTCHEFSTROOM	191,3	313,3	180,2	191,3	180,2
RUSTENBURG, BRITS, ODI 1 AND ODI 2	205,2	368,3	188,2	205,2	188,2
REST OF NORTH WEST	165,4	282,7	169,5	165,4	169,5
TOTAL GAUTENG	4 026,3	6 238,7	3 951,3	4 026,3	3 951,3
JOHANNESBURG AND RANDBURG	1 398,1	2 171,4	1 349,8	1 398,1	1 349,8
EAST RAND (GERMISTON, ALBERTON, BOKSBURG, BENONI AND KEMPTON PARK INCL. EDENVALE AND MIDRAND)	808,6	1 322,0	846,0	808,6	846,0
BRAKPAN, NIGEL AND SPRINGS	133,9	219,9	137,3	133,9	137,3
WEST RAND (WESTONARIA, ROODEPOORT, KRUGERSDORP, RANDFONTEIN AND OBERHOLZER)	418,1	691,7	389,0	418,1	389,0
PRETORIA, SOSHANGUVE AND WONDERBOOM (INCL. CENTURION)	917,0	1 267,1	871,4	917,0	871,4
VEREENIGING AND VANDERBIJLPARK	249,4	393,0	241,8	249,4	241,8
REST OF GAUTENG	101,2	173,5	116,1	101,2	116,1
TOTAL MPUMALANGA	569,0	986,2	586,5	569,0	586,5
HIGHVELD RIDGE, MIDDELBURG, WITBANK, BRONKHORSTSPRUIT AND KWAMHLANGA	188,8	336,5	229,2	188,8	229,2
BARBERTON, NELSPRUIT AND LYDENBURG	153,0	259,2	148,9	153,0	148,9
REST OF MPUMALANGA	227,2	390,6	208,4	227,2	208,4
TOTAL NORTHERN PROVINCE	431,2	677,4	426,7	431,2	426,7
PIETERSBURG AND SESHEGO	142,2	244,8	158,9	142,2	158,9
REST OF NORTHERN PROVINCE	289,0	432,7	267,8	289,0	267,8

3. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY TYPE OF MERCHANDISE
3.1 AT CURRENT PRICES

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TYPE OF MERCHANDISE	ACTUAL VALUES					SEASONALLY ADJUSTED VALUES				
	JAN.	DEC.	JAN.	JAN. - JAN.		JAN.	DEC.	NOV.	OCT.	JAN.
	1999	1998	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1998	1998	1998
TOTAL RSA	11 755,1	19 066,0	11 519,4	11 755,1	11 519,4	13 042,9	12 884,3	12 727,5	12 884,7	12 796,6
PERISHABLE AND PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCTS	3 672,1	4 945,8	3 494,6	3 672,1	3 494,6	3 914,9	3 825,6	3 820,1	3 796,6	3 727,8
INEDIBLE GROCERIES (DETERGENTS, POLISHES, ETC.)	794,4	1 039,8	736,1	794,4	736,1	832,7	827,0	826,9	810,9	770,3
ALCOHOLIC AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	574,4	988,0	539,5	574,4	539,5	679,5	674,3	699,5	677,5	635,4
CIGARETTES AND MANUFACTURED TOBACCO	213,9	296,1	205,3	213,9	205,3	229,9	230,3	228,0	223,3	220,5
FOOTWEAR FOR MEN, LADIES AND CHILDREN	467,3	935,6	511,0	467,3	511,0	534,1	521,2	527,1	547,1	584,5
MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES	721,4	1 364,9	697,1	721,4	697,1	787,4	768,5	729,5	753,6	762,2
LADIES', GIRLS' AND INFANTS' CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES	1 053,2	2 075,3	1 179,8	1 053,2	1 179,8	1 247,3	1 225,5	1 222,9	1 300,2	1 397,9
TEXTILES (BLANKETS, SHEETS, MATE- RIALS, ETC.) AND HABERDASHERY (BUTTONS, SEWING YARN, ETC.)	259,8	530,0	268,6	259,8	268,6	300,0	317,6	296,7	311,1	309,9
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	528,4	1 283,2	544,9	528,4	544,9	724,6	705,3	696,1	660,1	746,7
DOMESTIC APPLIANCES (REFRIGERA- TORS, STOVES, ETC.)	248,4	596,7	285,4	248,4	285,4	305,7	353,2	324,9	338,9	350,7
AUDIO APPLIANCES (RADIOS, HI-FI SETS, TAPE RECORDERS, ETC.)	120,6	300,7	128,6	120,6	128,6	152,5	158,8	156,0	166,9	162,9
TV SETS, VIDEO RECORDERS, ETC.	116,8	268,9	137,9	116,8	137,9	150,1	159,7	156,3	168,0	177,4
OTHER DOMESTIC FURNISHINGS (CARPETS, MATTRESSES, PILLOWS, ETC.)	127,8	262,1	137,2	127,8	137,2	161,7	159,6	163,3	158,9	174,0
GLASS, CROCKERY, CUTLERY AND KITCHENWARE	285,3	467,5	291,2	285,3	291,2	320,1	305,0	298,5	304,2	329,3
PHARMACEUTICALS, PATENTS AND OTHER MEDICINES, BANDAGES AND COSMETICS AND TOILETRIES	989,5	1 294,4	908,1	989,5	908,1	1 047,7	1 011,3	988,8	987,2	962,2
BOOKS, MAGAZINES, NEWSPAPERS AND STATIONERY	332,3	364,1	267,1	332,3	267,1	277,5	284,5	271,4	276,9	222,8
SPORT AND RECREATION REQUISITES (TOYS, FIRE-ARMS, BOATS, ETC.)	418,6	796,9	412,5	418,6	412,5	455,2	402,7	419,6	460,5	449,5
JEWELLERY, SILVERWARE, WATCHES AND PRECIOUS STONES	168,3	326,2	154,3	168,3	154,3	181,2	168,7	161,5	195,3	167,1
HARDWARE (BUILDING MATERIALS, WOOD, IRONWARE, TOOLS, ETC.)	398,8	492,7	386,2	398,8	386,2	453,0	454,8	440,4	470,7	437,7
ALL OTHER MERCHANDISE	263,7	437,1	234,0	263,7	234,0	279,1	306,4	254,9	289,8	247,1

3. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY TYPE OF MERCHANDISE
3.2 AT CONSTANT 1995 PRICES

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TYPE OF MERCHANDISE	ACTUAL VALUES					SEASONALLY ADJUSTED VALUES				
	JAN.	DEC.	JAN.	JAN. - JAN.		JAN.	DEC.	NOV.	OCT.	JAN.
	1999	1998	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1998	1998	1998
TOTAL RSA	9 496,0	15 739,9	9 870,6	9 496,0	9 870,6	10 595,4	10 524,7	10 423,3	10 624,2	11 020,5
PERISHABLE AND PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCTS	2 871,9	3 925,2	2 912,0	2 871,9	2 912,0	3 086,2	3 040,2	3 038,1	3 031,7	3 126,0
INEDIBLE GROCERIES (DETERGENTS, POLISHES, ETC.)	580,3	764,0	592,2	580,3	592,2	606,0	606,8	610,7	604,4	616,8
ALCOHOLIC AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	436,7	751,3	448,8	436,7	448,8	507,0	504,5	523,6	511,9	518,6
CIGARETTES AND MANUFACTURED TOBACCO	107,8	150,1	128,4	107,8	128,4	115,9	116,0	116,6	116,0	138,2
FOOTWEAR FOR MEN, LADIES AND CHILDREN	424,1	853,7	460,0	424,1	460,0	484,7	474,4	480,7	498,4	526,0
MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES	686,4	1 292,1	664,5	686,4	664,5	751,2	724,8	690,4	716,3	728,4
LADIES', GIRLS' AND INFANTS' CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES	956,3	1 883,8	1 092,5	956,3	1 092,5	1 127,8	1 108,1	1 110,2	1 190,0	1 288,6
TEXTILES (BLANKETS, SHEETS, MATE- RIALS, ETC.) AND HABERDASHERY (BUTTONS, SEWING YARN, ETC.)	199,7	403,5	229,8	199,7	229,8	229,7	243,0	228,9	244,0	264,7
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	435,6	1 057,8	471,7	435,6	471,7	598,0	584,5	580,6	553,1	647,3
DOMESTIC APPLIANCES (REFRIGERA- TORS, STOVES, ETC.)	226,9	545,0	266,2	226,9	266,2	279,2	322,5	296,2	309,4	327,2
AUDIO APPLIANCES (RADIOS, HI-FI SETS, TAPE RECORDERS, ETC.)	110,7	276,1	121,7	110,7	121,7	140,1	144,7	145,4	155,7	154,1
TV SETS, VIDEO RECORDERS, ETC.	110,1	253,4	133,9	110,1	133,9	140,9	148,6	150,1	161,8	171,6
OTHER DOMESTIC FURNISHINGS (CARPETS, MATTRESSES, PILLOWS, ETC.)	113,7	233,2	124,5	113,7	124,5	144,1	142,3	146,6	143,1	158,1
GLASS, CROCKERY, CUTLERY AND KITCHENWARE	248,6	408,0	258,7	248,6	258,7	279,0	264,5	259,2	266,1	292,4
PHARMACEUTICALS, PATENTS AND OTHER MEDICINES, BANDAGES AND COSMETICS AND TOILETRIES	687,0	923,4	695,9	687,0	695,9	733,1	712,8	698,4	703,0	743,5
BOOKS, MAGAZINES, NEWSPAPERS AND STATIONERY	243,8	267,4	214,9	243,8	214,9	194,2	207,2	199,2	204,8	171,0
SPORT AND RECREATION REQUISITES (TOYS, FIRE-ARMS, BOATS, ETC.)	370,1	704,6	380,2	370,1	380,2	404,3	356,2	372,5	414,0	416,1
JEWELLERY, SILVERWARE, WATCHES AND PRECIOUS STONES	153,4	297,9	144,8	153,4	144,8	165,6	159,0	147,8	178,9	156,7
HARDWARE (BUILDING MATERIALS, WOOD, IRONWARE, TOOLS, ETC.)	320,9	397,3	329,9	320,9	329,9	364,8	365,8	356,0	381,0	374,1
ALL OTHER MERCHANDISE	212,2	352,4	199,9	212,2	199,9	224,7	246,4	206,2	234,4	211,1

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4. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY TYPE OF MERCHANDISE AND SELECTED AREAS (CONTINUED)

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SELECTED AREAS	PERISHABLE AND PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCTS	INEDIBLE GROCERIES	BEVERAGES	CIGARETTES AND MANUFACTURED TOBACCO	FOOTWEAR	MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING	LADIES', GIRLS' AND INFANTS' CLOTHING
NORTH WEST							
TOTAL	152,8	35,3	24,0	7,9	25,8	35,0	55,5
KLERKSDORP AND POTCHEFSTROOM	61,7	15,8	6,3	4,3	7,0	9,2	14,9
RUSTENBURG, BRITS, ODI 1 AND ODI 2	60,9	15,1	7,9	2,0	10,2	13,4	17,9
REST OF NORTH WEST	30,1	4,4	9,7	1,7	8,5	12,5	22,7
GAUTENG							
TOTAL	1 220,1	278,7	176,4	59,4	158,5	250,8	365,6
JOHANNESBURG AND RANDBURG	397,1	124,0	46,8	13,8	48,2	86,9	127,0
EAST RAND (GERMISTON, ALBERTON, BOKSBURG, BENONI AND KEMPTON PARK (INCL. EDENVALE AND MIDRAND)	266,1	40,2	36,1	14,6	32,7	48,4	75,0
BRAKPAN, NIGEL AND SPRINGS	40,6	5,9	2,8	3,2	7,3	7,1	11,9
WEST RAND (WESTONARIA, ROODEPOORT, KRUGERSDORP, RANDFONTEIN AND OBERHOLZER)	125,7	19,6	32,9	9,5	15,5	23,7	29,9
PRETORIA, SOSHANGUVE AND WONDERBOOM (INCL. CENTURION)	294,6	66,9	41,7	13,2	33,8	55,4	82,9
VEREENIGING AND VANDERBIJLPARK	75,9	20,2	15,2	4,1	9,0	13,4	19,4
REST OF GAUTENG	20,2	2,0	0,9	0,9	12,1	15,8	19,6
MPUMALANGA							
TOTAL	143,8	37,0	28,3	10,0	27,7	42,1	58,8
HIGHVELD RIDGE, MIDDELBURG, WITBANK, BRONKHORSTSPRUIT AND KWAMHLANGA	44,0	12,0	13,2	2,8	8,8	13,3	20,1
BARBERTON, NELSPRUIT AND LYDENBURG	36,5	9,2	3,7	1,7	7,5	12,0	17,9
REST OF MPUMALANGA	63,2	15,8	11,4	5,4	11,4	16,8	20,9
NORTHERN PROVINCE							
TOTAL	110,9	15,1	14,4	7,0	25,0	38,9	48,4
PIETERSBURG AND SESHEGO	26,0	8,1	7,3	1,7	9,9	16,1	17,7
REST OF NORTHERN PROVINCE	84,9	7,0	7,1	5,3	15,1	22,8	30,7

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4. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY TYPE OF MERCHANDISE AND SELECTED AREAS (CONTINUED)

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SELECTED AREAS	TEXTILES	HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	DOMESTIC APPLIANCES	AUDIO APPLIANCES	TELEVISION SETS	OTHER DOMESTIC FURNISHINGS	GLASS AND CROCKERY
TOTAL RSA	259,8	528,4	248,4	120,6	116,8	127,8	285,3
WESTERN CAPE							
TOTAL	57,0	66,3	44,0	21,4	16,8	16,1	62,1
CAPE PENINSULA (CAPE, WYNBERG, SIMON'S TOWN, GOODWOOD AND BELLVILLE)	36,7	35,7	25,9	13,7	11,3	8,2	41,4
STELLENBOSCH, KUILS RIVER, SOMERSET WEST, STRAND, PAARL, WORCESTER, WELLINGTON AND MALMESBURY	9,8	15,6	11,3	3,3	2,5	2,4	9,8
REST OF WESTERN CAPE	10,5	15,0	6,8	4,4	3,0	5,5	11,0
EASTERN CAPE							
TOTAL	21,5	72,1	20,9	11,9	12,7	10,6	19,0
PORT ELIZABETH AND UITENHAGE	8,2	14,9	7,5	3,9	6,4	3,5	7,2
EAST LONDON, KING WILLIAM'S TOWN, MDANTSANE AND ZWELITSHA	4,0	13,6	4,3	2,6	2,7	1,8	4,3
REST OF EASTERN CAPE	9,3	43,6	9,0	5,4	3,6	5,2	7,6
NORTHERN CAPE							
TOTAL	6,6	16,5	6,1	4,6	4,2	3,7	8,5
KIMBERLEY	1,7	5,1	2,0	0,9	1,2	0,8	1,9
REST OF NORTHERN CAPE	4,9	11,4	4,1	3,7	3,0	2,8	6,6
FREE STATE	14,0	32,6	13,7	8,1	7,1	14,9	14,6
TOTAL							
BLOEMFONTEIN AND BOTSHABELO	4,5	10,2	6,0	3,4	3,3	6,3	4,9
ODENDAALSRSUS, WELKOM, VIRGINIA AND KROONSTAD	4,0	8,2	3,9	2,7	2,3	1,8	3,9
REST OF FREE STATE (INCL. SASOLBURG)	5,5	14,3	3,8	2,1	1,5	6,8	5,8
KWAZULU-NATAL							
TOTAL	44,6	70,8	41,3	17,4	19,1	25,1	51,3
DURBAN, PINETOWN, CHATSWORTH, NTUZUMA AND UMLAZI	22,3	22,6	21,9	6,9	8,6	9,3	22,5
SOUTH COAST (PORT SHEPSTONE, UMZINTO AND EMBUMBULU) AND NORTH COAST (INANDA, LOWER TUGELA, MTUNZINI AND LOWER UMPOLOZI)	5,7	9,2	3,8	2,4	2,0	2,4	8,9
PIETERMARITZBURG, VULINDLELA, CAMPERDOWN AND EMPUMALANGA	4,7	7,1	4,6	1,4	2,0	5,2	3,6
MADADENI AND NEWCASTLE	1,1	3,7	1,7	0,7	1,2	0,6	2,5
REST OF KWAZULU-NATAL	10,7	28,2	9,3	6,0	5,3	7,6	13,9

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4. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY TYPE OF MERCHANDISE AND SELECTED AREAS (CONTINUED)

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SELECTED AREAS	TEXTILES	HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	DOMESTIC APPLIANCES	AUDIO APPLIANCES	TELEVISION SETS	OTHER DOMESTIC FURNISHINGS	GLASS AND CROCKERY
NORTH WEST							
TOTAL	16,2	56,4	15,5	7,8	8,4	7,8	14,8
KLERKSDORP AND POTCHEFSTROOM RUSTENBURG, BRITS, ODI 1 AND ODI 2	5,4	8,1	5,4	3,3	3,2	2,8	7,4
REST OF NORTH WEST	5,0	19,9	4,4	1,9	2,2	2,0	4,0
GAUTENG							
TOTAL	5,7	28,5	5,8	2,6	3,0	3,0	3,4
JOHANNESBURG AND RANDBURG	72,4	140,8	80,3	36,6	36,5	37,5	87,1
EAST RAND (GERMISTON, ALBERTON, BOKSBURG, BENONI AND KEMPTON PARK (INCL. EDENVALE AND MIDRAND)	21,9	32,8	25,6	11,2	9,7	15,3	24,5
BRAKPAN, NIGEL AND SPRINGS	15,2	35,3	20,7	7,8	8,8	6,2	21,2
WEST RAND (WESTONARIA, ROODEPOORT, KRUGERSDORP, RAND- FONTEIN AND OBERHOLZER)	3,2	6,2	2,0	1,5	1,2	1,8	2,8
PRETORIA, SOSHANGUVE AND WONDERBOOM (INCL. CENTURION)	8,3	12,4	8,4	4,1	4,4	4,3	10,7
VEREENIGING AND VANDERBIJLPARK	14,4	39,3	17,6	7,3	7,8	6,0	20,7
REST OF GAUTENG	5,5	11,0	4,9	3,6	3,7	2,6	4,7
MPUMALANGA							
TOTAL	3,8	3,8	1,2	1,1	1,0	1,3	2,5
HIGHVELD RIDGE, MIDDELBURG, WITBANK, BRONKHORSTSPRUIT AND KWAMHLANGA	13,7	40,8	16,0	7,8	7,9	7,4	15,4
BARBERTON, NELSPRUIT AND LYDENBURG	4,8	12,0	4,9	2,8	2,5	2,2	6,0
REST OF MPUMALANGA	2,3	9,5	5,4	1,8	2,4	1,6	4,6
NORTHERN PROVINCE							
TOTAL	6,6	19,3	5,7	3,2	3,0	3,6	4,8
PIETERSBURG AND SESHEGO	13,9	32,0	10,6	5,0	4,3	4,7	12,5
REST OF NORTHERN PROVINCE	3,4	8,6	4,2	1,6	2,5	1,7	3,4
	10,5	23,4	6,4	3,4	1,8	3,0	9,0

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4. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY TYPE OF MERCHANDISE AND SELECTED AREAS (CONTINUED)

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SELECTED AREAS	PHARMA- CEUTICALS	BOOKS AND STATIONERY	SPORT REQUISITES	JEWELLERY	HARDWARE	ALL OTHER MERCHANDISE	TOTAL
TOTAL RSA	989,5	332,3	418,6	168,3	398,8	263,7	11 755,1
WESTERN CAPE							
TOTAL	184,1	64,7	90,7	35,9	64,2	50,8	2 285,5
CAPE PENINSULA (CAPE, WYNBERG, SIMON'S TOWN, GOODWOOD AND BELLVILLE)	115,3	47,4	66,0	25,5	30,7	41,9	1 415,0
STELLENBOSCH, KUILS RIVER, SOMERSET WEST, STRAND, PAARL, WORCESTER, WELLINGTON AND MALMESBURY	34,3	8,7	16,1	5,1	4,1	2,9	445,6
REST OF WESTERN CAPE	34,5	8,6	8,6	5,2	29,4	6,0	424,9
EASTERN CAPE							
TOTAL	58,6	26,2	28,3	13,6	38,2	15,3	983,1
PORT ELIZABETH AND UITENHAGE	15,9	6,9	14,3	8,0	14,5	4,3	353,2
EAST LONDON, KING WILLIAM'S TOWN, MDANTSANE AND ZWELITSHA	12,4	9,6	8,0	1,9	8,6	3,6	255,4
REST OF EASTERN CAPE	30,2	9,7	6,1	3,7	15,1	7,4	374,5
NORTHERN CAPE							
TOTAL	20,2	6,6	6,6	4,3	2,6	8,5	312,1
KIMBERLEY	11,0	2,4	3,9	2,5	1,1	1,8	83,1
REST OF NORTHERN CAPE	9,2	4,2	2,7	1,8	1,5	6,6	229,0
FREE STATE							
TOTAL	53,7	14,7	18,6	8,3	11,8	6,5	581,8
BLOEMFONTEIN AND BOTSHABELO	18,3	8,3	9,9	3,1	3,8	3,2	196,1
ODENDAALSRSUS, WELKOM, VIRGINIA AND KROONSTAD	17,2	3,4	5,8	2,4	5,1	2,7	157,2
REST OF FREE STATE (INCL. SASOLBURG)	18,3	3,0	2,9	2,7	2,9	0,5	228,5
KWAZULU-NATAL							
TOTAL	160,8	58,2	60,8	25,5	56,2	51,6	2 004,1
DURBAN, PINETOWN, CHATSWORTH, NTUZUMA AND UMLAZI	62,8	23,7	38,8	10,9	32,1	20,1	920,1
SOUTH COAST (PORT SHEPSTONE, UMZINTO AND EMBUMBULU) AND NORTH COAST (INANDA, LOWER TUGELA, MTUNZINI AND LOWER UMPOLOZI)	28,8	10,6	7,9	3,2	5,7	4,3	333,8
PIETERMARITZBURG, VULINDLELA, CAMPERDOWN AND EMPUMALANGA	21,3	11,0	4,7	2,4	6,0	6,7	205,1
MADADENI AND NEWCASTLE	10,2	1,1	2,1	1,0	0,8	1,9	63,0
REST OF KWAZULU-NATAL	37,7	11,7	7,2	8,0	11,7	18,6	482,0

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4. RETAIL TRADE SALES BY TYPE OF MERCHANDISE AND SELECTED AREAS (CONCLUDED)

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SELECTED AREAS	PHARMA- CEUTICALS	BOOKS AND STATIONERY	SPORT REQUISITES	JEWELLERY	HARDWARE	ALL OTHER MERCHANDISE	TOTAL
NORTH WEST							
TOTAL	33,8	11,1	11,7	7,0	19,5	15,5	561,9
KLERKSDORP AND POTCHEFSTROOM	10,1	4,6	5,4	2,2	6,0	8,2	191,3
RUSTENBURG, BRITS, ODI 1 AND ODI 2	16,3	3,7	4,4	2,6	7,3	4,0	205,2
REST OF NORTH WEST	7,4	2,8	1,9	2,2	6,2	3,3	165,4
GAUTENG							
TOTAL	400,4	129,1	176,6	59,5	121,6	94,1	4 026,3
JOHANNESBURG AND RANDBURG	158,1	59,2	85,0	16,8	61,2	33,3	1 398,1
EAST RAND (GERMISTON, ALBERTON, BOKSBURG, BENONI AND KEMPTON PARK (INCL. EDENVALE AND MIDRAND)	66,2	21,3	26,0	17,6	22,1	27,2	808,6
BRAKPAN, NIGEL AND SPRINGS	25,2	2,7	4,4	2,1	0,5	1,6	133,9
WEST RAND (WESTONARIA, ROODEPOORT, KRUGERSDORP, RAND- FONTEIN AND OBERHOLZER)	43,5	9,7	11,5	5,3	31,1	7,7	418,1
PRETORIA, SOSHANGUVE AND WONDERBOOM (INCL. CENTURION)	76,4	31,7	40,1	10,5	35,9	20,7	917,0
VEREENIGING AND VANDERBIJLPARK	23,9	4,1	8,1	3,0	13,9	3,2	249,4
REST OF GAUTENG	7,0	0,5	1,5	4,2	1,4	0,4	101,2
MPUMALANGA							
TOTAL	38,2	13,7	15,8	9,4	24,9	10,4	569,0
HIGHVELD RIDGE, MIDDELBURG, WITBANK, BRONKHORSTSPRUIT AND KWAMHLANGA	16,8	3,6	7,7	4,3	3,8	3,3	188,8
BARBERTON, NELSPRUIT AND LYDENBURG	10,3	4,0	4,8	2,0	12,3	3,4	153,0
REST OF MPUMALANGA	11,0	6,1	3,3	3,0	8,8	3,7	227,2
NORTHERN PROVINCE							
TOTAL	39,7	7,9	9,5	4,8	15,3	11,2	431,2
PIETERSBURG AND SESHEGO	13,5	3,1	3,8	2,1	3,0	4,6	142,2
REST OF NORTHERN PROVINCE	26,2	4,9	5,7	2,8	12,3	6,6	289,0

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5. CASH SALES, INSTALMENT SALE TRANSACTIONS
AND OTHER CREDIT SALES AT CURRENT PRICES

R MILLION

TYPE OF SALES	ACTUAL VALUES						SEASONALLY ADJUSTED VALUES				
	JAN.	DEC.	JAN.	JAN. - JAN.		JAN.	DEC.	NOV.	OCT.	JAN.	
	1999	1998	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1998	1998	1998	
TOTAL RSA	11 755,1	19 066,0	11 519,4	11 755,1	11 519,4	13 042,9	12 884,3	12 727,5	12 884,7	12 796,6	
CASH SALES (INCLUDING INSTALMENT SALE TRANSACTIONS FINANCED BY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS)	9 034,7	14 021,0	8 767,0	9 034,7	8 767,0	9 754,8	9 712,7	9 558,0	9 673,6	9 469,9	
INSTALMENT SALE TRANSACTIONS (HIRE PURCHASE, FINANCED BY OWN BUSINESS)	745,2	1 656,7	823,2	745,2	823,2	1 020,1	857,2	974,8	992,7	1 126,2	
OTHER CREDIT SALES	1 975,1	3 388,3	1 929,2	1 975,1	1 929,2	2 363,3	2 244,9	2 122,5	2 256,4	2 304,1	