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## Key findings for the quarter ended December 2021

***The total turnover of quarterly financial statistics (QFS) industries<sup>1</sup> in the fourth quarter of 2021 was estimated at R3 040 124 million (R3,04 trillion), an increase of 3,0% compared with the third quarter of 2021 (R2 952 847 million or R2,95 trillion).***

Between the third and fourth quarters of 2021, turnover increased in six industries covered by the survey. The largest percentage increase in turnover was recorded in real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) (+7,3%) followed by mining and quarrying (+5,3%), transport, storage and communication (+5,1%), trade (+5,0%), community, social and personal services (excluding government and educational institutions) (+1,2%) and manufacturing (+1,1%). Decreases were recorded in electricity, gas and water supply (-20,0%) and construction (-9,8%).

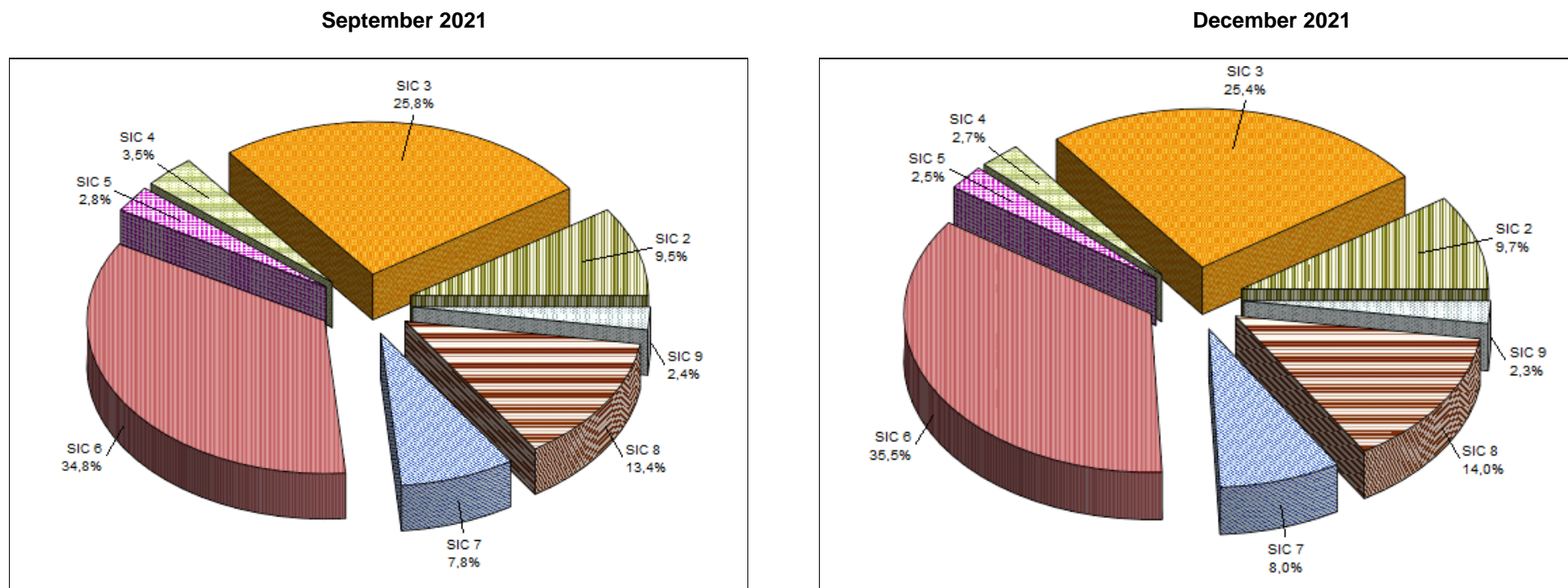
Total closing inventories at the end of the fourth quarter of 2021 were estimated at R1 094 010 million, a decrease of 5,2% compared with R1 153 947 million at the end of the third quarter of 2021. Decreases were recorded in construction (-18,5%), mining and quarrying (-11,8%) and manufacturing (-9,0%). Increases were recorded for community, social and personal services (excluding government and educational institutions) (+15,9%), electricity, gas and water supply (+6,0%), real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) (+5,0%) and transport, storage and communication (+2,9%).

Total capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment was estimated at R93 573 million in the fourth quarter of 2021, a decrease of 0,6% compared with R94 183 million in the third quarter of 2021. The largest percentage decrease was recorded for construction (-38,8%) followed by community, social and personal services (excluding government and educational institutions) (-24,3%), manufacturing (-11,6%), electricity, gas and water supply (-4,5%) and real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) (-3,3%). Increases were recorded in trade (+14,2%), mining and quarrying (+7,8%) and transport, storage and communication (+1,6%).

Turnover was estimated at R3 040 124 million in the fourth quarter of 2021, an increase of 9,2% compared with R2 783 457 million in the fourth quarter of 2020. Seven of the eight industries covered by the survey reflected annual increases. The largest percentage increase in turnover was recorded in real estate and other business services (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) (+24,3%) followed by mining and quarrying (+15,4%), trade (+12,2%), electricity, gas and water supply (+9,6%), community, social and personal services (excluding government and educational institutions) (+5,7%), transport, storage and communication (+3,8%) and manufacturing (+0,9%). A decrease was recorded in construction (-12,2%).

<sup>1</sup>All industries in the South African economy, excluding agriculture, financial intermediation, insurance, government and educational institutions.

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**Figure 1 – Percentage contribution to total turnover by industry in the quarters ended September 2021 and December 2021<sup>1</sup>**

**SIC 2 – Mining and quarrying industry**

**SIC 3 – Manufacturing industry**

**SIC 4 – Electricity, gas and water supply industry**

**SIC 5 – Construction industry**

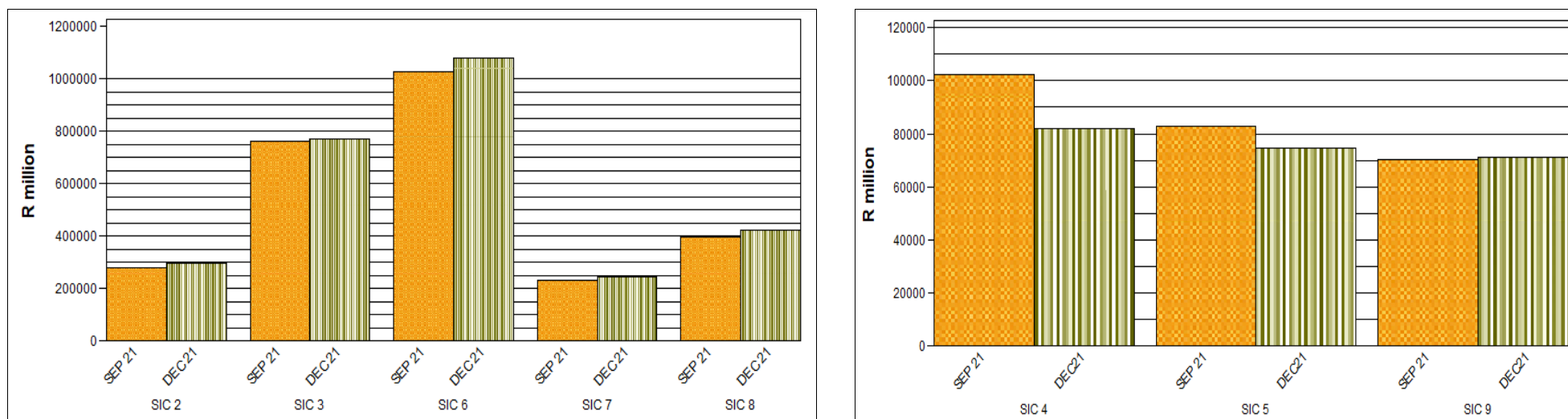
**SIC 6 – Trade industry**

**SIC 7 – Transport, storage and communication industry**

**SIC 8 – Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance)**

**SIC 9 – Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government and educational institutions)**

<sup>1</sup>The aggregates of the SIC contributions may not add up to totals due to rounding-off.

**Figure 2 – Comparison of turnover by industry in the quarters ended September 2021 and December 2021**

**SIC 2 – Mining and quarrying industry**

**SIC 3 – Manufacturing industry**

**SIC 6 – Trade industry**

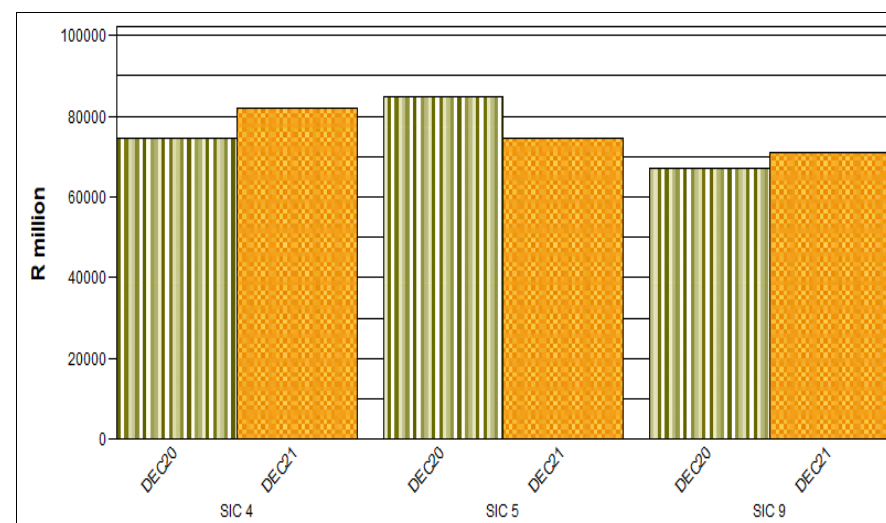
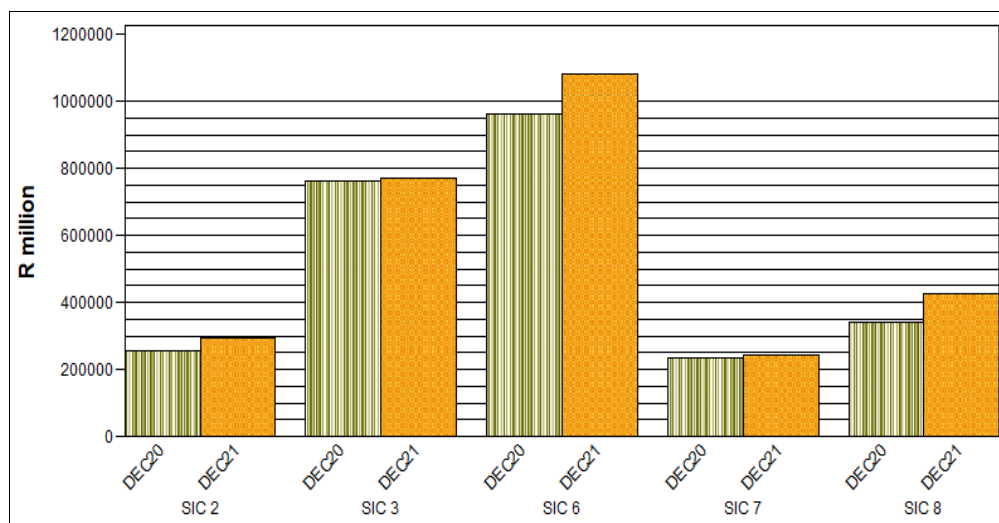
**SIC 7 – Transport, storage and communication industry**

**SIC 8 – Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance)**

**SIC 4 – Electricity, gas and water supply industry**

**SIC 5 – Construction industry**

**SIC 9 – Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government and educational institutions)**

**Figure 3 – Comparison of turnover by industry in the quarters ended December 2020 and December 2021**

**SIC 2 – Mining and quarrying industry**

**SIC 3 – Manufacturing industry**

**SIC 6 – Trade industry**

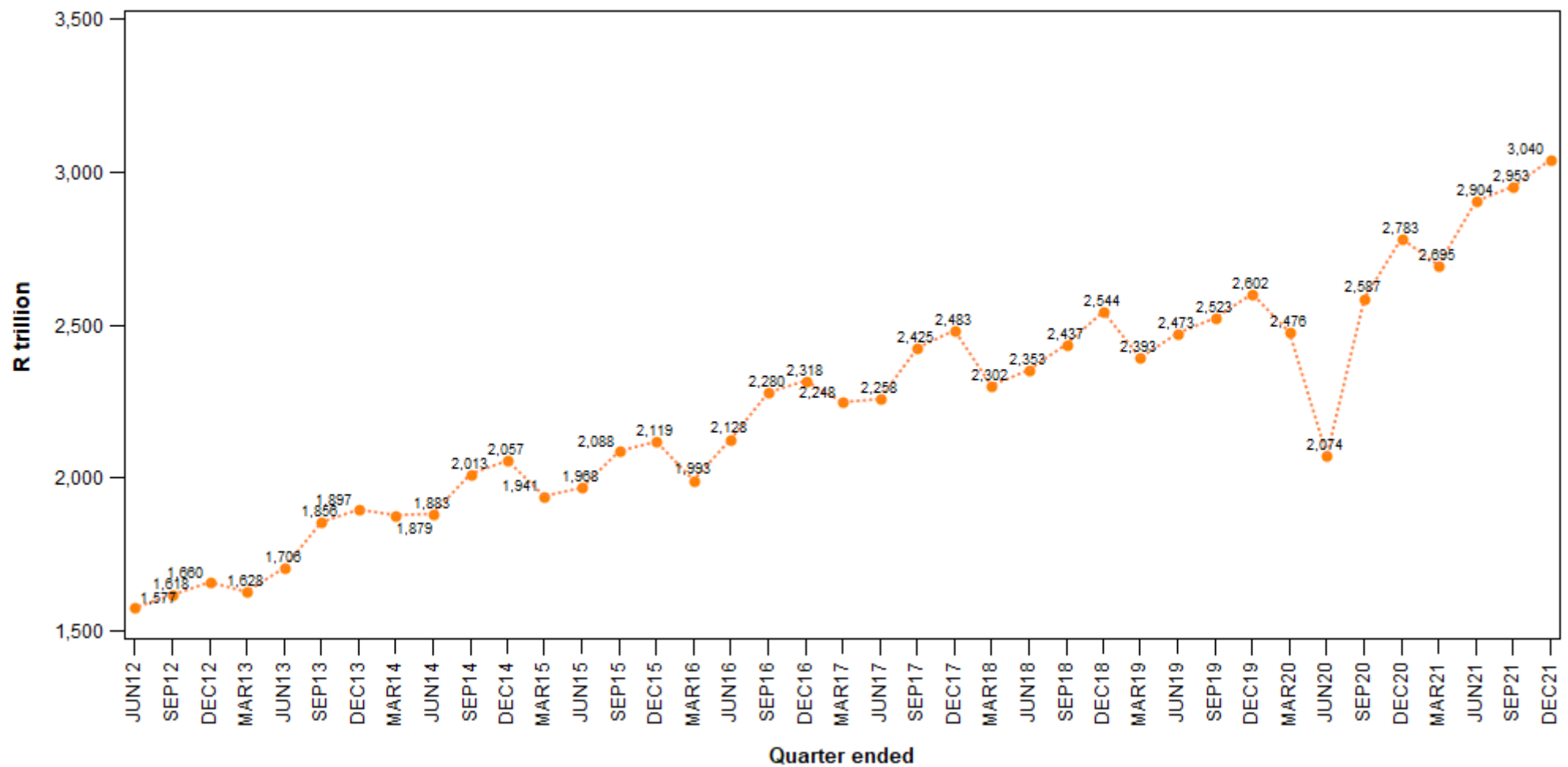
**SIC 7 – Transport, storage and communication industry**

**SIC 8 – Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance)**

**SIC 4 – Electricity, gas and water supply industry**

**SIC 5 – Construction industry**

**SIC 9 – Community, social and personal services industry  
(excluding government and educational institutions)**

**Figure 4 – Quarterly turnover of all industries covered by the quarterly financial statistics (QFS) survey<sup>1</sup> from June 2012 to December 2021**

<sup>1</sup>All industries in the South African economy, excluding agriculture, financial intermediation, insurance, government and educational institutions.

**Table 1 – Selected income and expenditure items: All industries covered by the quarterly financial statistics (QFS) survey<sup>1</sup>**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>2</sup>	December 2021 <sup>3</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received	2 783 457	2 695 263	2 903 645	2 952 847	3 040 124	87 277	256 667
Interest received	17 747	13 420	20 039	14 646	15 948	1 302	-1 799
Dividends received	14 856	21 082	17 722	21 207	30 783	9 576	15 927
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	2 188	1 641	1 994	1 929	2 029	100	-159
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	4 892	4 702	5 442	5 166	4 551	-615	-341
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	2 956	3 363	3 734	3 661	4 922	1 261	1 966
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	48 550	27 931	20 253	20 616	27 755	7 139	-20 795
Other income	62 626	62 480	50 061	58 882	54 896	-3 986	-7 730
Total income (A)	2 937 272	2 829 882	3 022 890	3 078 954	3 181 008	102 054	243 736
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	263 996	262 222	271 003	279 317	263 914	-15 403	-82
Opening value of work in progress	132 133	148 877	165 400	161 602	147 666	-13 936	15 533
Opening value of finished goods	649 251	619 986	638 709	672 241	692 547	20 306	43 296
Total opening values (B)	1 045 380	1 031 085	1 075 112	1 113 160	1 104 127	-9 033	58 747
Closing value of raw materials	266 602	272 153	280 421	291 920	279 027	-12 893	12 425
Closing value of work in progress	140 906	166 690	169 148	157 816	128 102	-29 714	-12 804
Closing value of finished goods	632 230	640 860	682 148	704 211	686 881	-17 330	54 651
Total closing values (C)	1 039 738	1 079 703	1 131 717	1 153 947	1 094 010	-59 937	54 272

<sup>1</sup> All industries in the South African economy, excluding agriculture, financial intermediation, insurance, government and educational institutions.<sup>2</sup> Revised.<sup>3</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 1 – Selected income and expenditure items: All industries covered by the quarterly financial statistics (QFS) survey<sup>1</sup> (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>2</sup>	December 2021 <sup>3</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	1 638 333	1 631 863	1 698 790	1 740 148	1 788 251	48 103	149 918
Employment costs <sup>4</sup>	395 719	393 568	433 857	436 261	454 823	18 562	59 104
Interest paid	65 074	61 075	68 835	65 789	68 154	2 365	3 080
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	14 033	14 948	14 699	13 302	13 329	27	-704
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	62 690	61 980	64 276	69 440	58 095	-11 345	-4 595
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	11 002	10 959	11 716	11 456	12 306	850	1 304
Depreciation	74 108	74 620	76 166	77 902	77 513	-389	3 405
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	55 101	38 518	39 596	32 377	52 407	20 030	-2 694
Other expenditure	390 320	391 422	392 911	876 706	456 526	-420 180	66 206
Total expenditure (D)	2 706 380	2 678 953	2 800 846	3 323 381	2 981 404	-341 977	275 024
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>5</sup>	225 250	199 547	278 649	-203 640	189 487	393 127	-35 763
Company tax	44 212	46 970	62 134	50 300	74 365	24 065	30 153
Dividends payable	29 527	52 283	23 887	79 395	37 390	-42 005	7 863
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	3 657 166	3 699 627	3 796 066	3 744 125	3 648 122	-96 003	-9 044
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	12 761	11 191	10 087	12 756	12 590	-166	-171
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	63 383	63 175	65 069	72 321	71 722	-599	8 339
Vehicles and transport equipment	7 308	8 931	9 498	9 106	9 261	155	1 953
Total capital expenditure	83 452	83 297	84 654	94 183	93 573	-610	10 121

<sup>1</sup> All industries in the South African economy, excluding agriculture, financial intermediation, insurance, government and educational institutions.<sup>2</sup> Revised.<sup>3</sup> Preliminary.<sup>4</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>5</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 2 – Selected income and expenditure items: Mining and quarrying industry**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received	255 684	275 206	327 131	280 310	295 115	14 805	39 431
Interest received	7 003	2 963	9 634	3 052	5 298	2 246	-1 705
Dividends received	1 820	7 141	1 631	10 725	13 939	3 214	12 119
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	420	199	430	297	539	242	119
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	433	419	412	444	39	-405	-394
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	280	218	218	172	59	-113	-221
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	24 560	8 981	4 110	2 934	5 157	2 223	-19 403
Other income	7 912	9 370	1 522	3 244	3 481	237	-4 431
Total income (A)	298 112	304 497	345 088	301 178	323 627	22 449	25 515
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	22 847	23 880	24 514	25 341	26 942	1 601	4 095
Opening value of work in progress	65 910	76 864	89 504	85 928	76 667	-9 261	10 757
Opening value of finished goods	43 877	42 130	45 361	44 809	45 225	416	1 348
Total opening values (B)	132 634	142 874	159 379	156 078	148 834	-7 244	16 200
Closing value of raw materials	22 903	24 462	25 102	26 838	26 627	-211	3 724
Closing value of work in progress	77 063	89 512	85 926	76 794	61 487	-15 307	-15 576
Closing value of finished goods	42 265	45 338	44 888	47 802	45 514	-2 288	3 249
Total closing values (C)	142 231	159 312	155 916	151 434	133 628	-17 806	-8 603

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 2 – Selected income and expenditure items: Mining and quarrying industry (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	99 421	107 183	111 444	116 400	116 880	480	17 459
Employment costs <sup>3</sup>	41 253	39 861	42 115	41 117	39 747	-1 370	-1 506
Interest paid	6 887	6 203	8 196	5 454	5 792	338	-1 095
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	2 564	4 306	5 341	3 819	3 548	-271	984
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	5 535	5 460	6 874	7 769	6 323	-1 446	788
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	1 447	1 248	1 306	1 240	1 257	17	-190
Depreciation	12 079	11 591	12 368	11 959	13 048	1 089	969
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	12 717	5 136	9 774	4 862	22 730	17 868	10 013
Other expenditure	56 600	49 306	47 898	51 106	71 636	20 530	15 036
Total expenditure (D)	238 503	230 294	245 316	243 726	280 961	37 235	42 458
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>4</sup>	69 206	90 641	96 309	52 808	27 460	-25 348	-41 746
Company tax	13 300	20 158	30 934	15 449	11 552	-3 897	-1 748
Dividends payable	6 094	27 294	1 278	60 277	10 801	-49 476	4 707
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	515 580	550 438	553 716	558 995	540 034	-18 961	24 454
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	3 875	4 321	2 794	2 353	3 259	906	-616
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	12 878	12 638	17 255	18 112	18 384	272	5 506
Vehicles and transport equipment	674	822	848	545	1 013	468	339
Total capital expenditure	17 427	17 781	20 897	21 010	22 656	1 646	5 229

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>4</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 3 – Selected income and expenditure items: Manufacturing industry**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received	763 678	719 683	751 620	762 847	770 923	8 076	7 245
Interest received	3 153	3 231	3 244	3 429	2 756	-673	-397
Dividends received	2 487	3 286	855	2 744	5 786	3 042	3 299
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	493	155	171	165	192	27	-301
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	919	975	965	993	1 052	59	133
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	492	520	511	751	1 861	1 110	1 369
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	8 762	8 226	4 618	5 267	7 893	2 626	-869
Other income	14 427	8 576	7 555	8 981	11 248	2 267	-3 179
Total income (A)	794 411	744 652	769 539	785 177	801 711	16 534	7 300
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	166 966	162 926	171 202	178 839	158 521	-20 318	-8 445
Opening value of work in progress	40 103	40 636	44 002	48 227	50 197	1 970	10 094
Opening value of finished goods	206 686	188 204	191 141	204 305	203 363	-942	-3 323
Total opening values (B)	413 755	391 766	406 345	431 371	412 081	-19 290	-1 674
Closing value of raw materials	168 649	172 523	180 275	185 704	169 089	-16 615	440
Closing value of work in progress	37 490	44 381	50 695	53 039	45 690	-7 349	8 200
Closing value of finished goods	193 142	194 398	203 393	215 917	199 068	-16 849	5 926
Total closing values (C)	399 281	411 302	434 363	454 660	413 847	-40 813	14 566

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 3 – Selected income and expenditure items: Manufacturing industry (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	489 512	502 823	518 788	524 234	513 835	-10 399	24 323
Employment costs <sup>3</sup>	87 862	85 903	87 667	87 612	92 487	4 875	4 625
Interest paid	9 297	8 357	8 828	8 629	9 071	442	-226
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	4 216	3 416	3 429	3 417	3 115	-302	-1 101
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	13 978	14 222	14 948	16 447	13 838	-2 609	-140
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	1 944	1 785	1 716	1 687	1 640	-47	-304
Depreciation	15 937	14 518	14 257	14 020	14 129	109	-1 808
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	15 434	13 635	10 024	9 800	10 147	347	-5 287
Other expenditure	89 835	87 074	86 478	90 714	96 753	6 039	6 918
Total expenditure (D)	728 015	731 733	746 135	756 560	755 015	-1 545	27 000
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>4</sup>	51 922	32 455	51 422	51 906	48 462	-3 444	-3 460
Company tax	8 731	7 942	10 620	9 580	11 748	2 168	3 017
Dividends payable	3 752	7 184	3 272	4 178	2 740	-1 438	-1 012
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	549 323	548 241	588 019	550 920	500 090	-50 830	-49 233
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	2 783	1 532	1 986	2 165	2 262	97	-521
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	15 249	15 945	16 734	13 761	11 666	-2 095	-3 583
Vehicles and transport equipment	1 269	993	1 215	1 354	1 340	-14	71
Total capital expenditure	19 301	18 470	19 935	17 280	15 268	-2 012	-4 033

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>4</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 4 – Selected income and expenditure items: Electricity, gas and water supply industry**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received	74 669	70 885	81 245	102 231	81 815	-20 416	7 146
Interest received	1 156	719	809	924	1 044	120	-112
Dividends received	1 189	116	0	654	272	-382	-917
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	66	54	56	59	73	14	7
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	2 080	699	929	549	789	240	-1 291
Other income	1 667	1 265	512	381	608	227	-1 059
Total income (A)	80 827	73 738	83 551	104 798	84 601	-20 197	3 774
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	39 652	40 669	39 290	37 958	39 476	1 518	-176
Opening value of work in progress	27	14	16	104	146	42	119
Opening value of finished goods	350	316	365	352	458	106	108
Total opening values (B)	40 029	40 999	39 671	38 414	40 080	1 666	51
Closing value of raw materials	40 677	39 290	37 957	39 476	41 569	2 093	892
Closing value of work in progress	16	16	91	160	364	204	348
Closing value of finished goods	273	358	351	460	579	119	306
Total closing values (C)	40 966	39 664	38 399	40 096	42 512	2 416	1 546

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 4 – Selected income and expenditure items: Electricity, gas and water supply industry (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between September 2021 and June 2021	Year-on-year difference between September 2021 and September 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	39 845	40 769	40 070	41 826	43 129	1 303	3 284
Employment costs <sup>3</sup>	8 600	8 743	8 928	8 462	8 951	489	351
Interest paid	11 767	10 352	11 387	11 580	11 707	127	-60
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	1	68	77	85	1	-84	0
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	82	88	83	94	93	-1	11
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	85	37	71	40	53	13	-32
Depreciation	9 350	8 370	9 593	10 631	9 848	-783	498
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	598	2 060	811	1 471	1 511	40	913
Other expenditure	11 768	11 047	9 215	11 813	13 133	1 320	1 365
Total expenditure (D)	82 096	81 534	80 235	86 002	88 426	2 424	6 330
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>4</sup>	-332	-9 131	2 044	20 478	-1 393	-21 871	-1 061
Company tax	1 003	1 031	725	4 317	2 170	-2 147	1 167
Dividends payable	1 476	3 380	2 408	1 992	3 318	1 326	1 842
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	794 041	797 147	796 890	795 575	789 535	-6 040	-4 506
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	1 418	786	770	761	850	89	-568
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	10 757	11 724	9 867	10 106	9 509	-597	-1 248
Vehicles and transport equipment	39	29	34	29	49	20	10
Total capital expenditure	12 214	12 539	10 671	10 896	10 408	-488	-1 806

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>4</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 5 – Selected income and expenditure items: Construction industry**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received	84 879	80 274	79 911	82 625	74 503	-8 122	-10 376
Interest received	665	735	713	756	617	-139	-48
Dividends received	273	311	679	224	315	91	42
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	6	0	0	0	0	0	-6
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	468	538	546	552	514	-38	46
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	163	442	887	697	1 264	567	1 101
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	1 978	1 022	1 199	1 084	1 351	267	-627
Other income	3 397	3 039	3 189	3 147	3 276	129	-121
Total income (A)	91 829	86 361	87 124	89 085	81 840	-7 245	-9 989
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	6 233	6 175	6 132	6 512	6 091	-421	-142
Opening value of work in progress	16 397	20 977	22 285	17 717	14 965	-2 752	-1 432
Opening value of finished goods	4 403	4 249	4 108	4 680	2 959	-1 721	-1 444
Total opening values (B)	27 033	31 401	32 525	28 909	24 015	-4 894	-3 018
Closing value of raw materials	6 736	6 136	6 115	6 719	6 673	-46	-63
Closing value of work in progress	16 245	22 478	22 598	18 025	14 717	-3 308	-1 528
Closing value of finished goods	4 629	4 336	4 697	4 688	2 587	-2 101	-2 042
Total closing values (C)	27 610	32 950	33 410	29 432	23 977	-5 455	-3 633

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 5 – Selected income and expenditure items: Construction industry (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	50 788	49 368	48 184	51 894	46 666	-5 228	-4 122
Employment costs <sup>3</sup>	19 770	19 102	17 959	17 956	15 839	-2 117	-3 931
Interest paid	1 879	1 844	1 819	1 947	1 746	-201	-133
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	290	297	318	375	468	93	178
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	698	946	826	887	841	-46	143
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	2 055	1 883	1 841	1 889	2 177	288	122
Depreciation	2 428	2 678	2 512	2 508	1 908	-600	-520
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	1 323	933	842	729	1 310	581	-13
Other expenditure	11 943	9 758	10 062	9 451	8 760	-691	-3 183
Total expenditure (D)	91 174	86 809	84 363	87 636	79 715	-7 921	-11 459
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>4</sup>	1 232	1 101	3 646	1 972	2 087	115	855
Company tax	548	818	867	447	656	209	108
Dividends payable	167	693	712	78	150	72	-17
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	45 399	56 925	55 538	54 493	42 994	-11 499	-2 405
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	81	84	33	39	43	4	-38
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	1 004	1 306	1 701	1 153	651	-502	-353
Vehicles and transport equipment	16	293	337	89	90	1	74
Total capital expenditure	1 101	1 683	2 071	1 281	784	-497	-317

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>4</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 6 – Selected income and expenditure items: Trade industry**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received	962 117	930 550	985 113	1 027 953	1 079 623	51 670	117 506
Interest received	3 345	3 619	3 386	4 002	4 274	272	929
Dividends received	1 014	642	731	1 664	1 461	-203	447
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	403	418	583	591	430	-161	27
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	813	768	1 326	975	916	-59	103
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	1 508	1 630	1 602	1 516	1 436	-80	-72
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	3 504	3 035	2 909	3 151	4 329	1 178	825
Other income	9 072	9 855	9 150	14 735	14 236	-499	5 164
Total income (A)	981 776	950 517	1 004 800	1 054 587	1 106 705	52 118	124 929
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	19 654	19 627	21 085	21 909	23 563	1 654	3 909
Opening value of work in progress	7 410	7 704	7 027	7 123	2 704	-4 419	-4 706
Opening value of finished goods	370 193	361 447	375 392	393 767	416 653	22 886	46 460
Total opening values (B)	397 257	388 778	403 504	422 799	442 920	20 121	45 663
Closing value of raw materials	18 797	20 953	22 004	24 361	25 484	1 123	6 687
Closing value of work in progress	7 429	7 753	7 089	7 114	2 806	-4 308	-4 623
Closing value of finished goods	368 288	374 173	404 807	411 256	414 440	3 184	46 152
Total closing values (C)	394 514	402 879	433 900	442 731	442 730	-1	48 216

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 6 – Selected income and expenditure items: Trade industry (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	748 633	745 989	788 216	806 097	827 453	21 356	78 820
Employment costs <sup>3</sup>	69 203	71 028	75 543	78 590	85 880	7 290	16 677
Interest paid	7 084	7 357	7 884	8 952	8 083	-869	999
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	4 363	4 243	2 663	2 944	2 668	-276	-1 695
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	18 453	17 922	17 282	19 291	16 652	-2 639	-1 801
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	870	997	1 098	1 334	1 685	351	815
Depreciation	9 199	10 839	11 028	11 673	11 078	-595	1 879
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	5 887	4 577	4 910	3 744	5 144	1 400	-743
Other expenditure	72 838	73 990	79 006	91 174	87 878	-3 296	15 040
Total expenditure (D)	936 530	936 942	987 630	1 023 799	1 046 521	22 722	109 991
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>4</sup>	42 503	27 676	47 566	50 720	59 994	9 274	17 491
Company tax	6 767	5 416	5 483	5 771	9 201	3 430	2 434
Dividends payable	1 128	2 723	1 130	2 666	1 271	-1 395	143
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	243 172	243 096	245 405	255 829	260 680	4 851	17 508
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	1 019	963	1 109	1 518	1 447	-71	428
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	5 872	4 397	5 192	6 180	7 520	1 340	1 648
Vehicles and transport equipment	1 714	1 966	2 406	2 026	2 139	113	425
Total capital expenditure	8 605	7 326	8 707	9 724	11 106	1 382	2 501

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>4</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 7 – Selected income and expenditure items: Transport, storage and communication industry**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received	233 391	213 963	220 640	230 630	242 324	11 694	8 933
Interest received	1 755	1 622	1 724	1 916	1 402	-514	-353
Dividends received	1 550	1 645	1 715	646	449	-197	-1 101
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	8	8	8	0	0	0	-8
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	1 440	1 284	1 443	1 513	1 467	-46	27
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	252	296	231	265	267	2	15
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	2 956	1 137	1 000	1 417	1 468	51	-1 488
Other income	6 350	7 746	5 603	5 347	4 716	-631	-1 634
Total income (A)	247 702	227 701	232 364	241 734	252 093	10 359	4 391
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	3 884	3 948	3 134	3 484	3 267	-217	-617
Opening value of work in progress	559	657	621	682	712	30	153
Opening value of finished goods	11 893	11 464	10 752	12 023	11 790	-233	-103
Total opening values (B)	16 336	16 069	14 507	16 189	15 769	-420	-567
Closing value of raw materials	3 905	3 134	3 484	3 385	3 269	-116	-636
Closing value of work in progress	657	612	682	717	780	63	123
Closing value of finished goods	11 449	10 777	12 023	11 972	12 488	516	1 039
Total closing values (C)	16 011	14 523	16 189	16 074	16 537	463	526

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 7 – Selected income and expenditure items: Transport, storage and communication industry (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	109 756	93 444	107 666	108 589	114 552	5 963	4 796
Employment costs <sup>3</sup>	37 243	38 687	38 035	38 276	43 987	5 711	6 744
Interest paid	8 253	8 165	8 095	8 012	8 274	262	21
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	342	308	421	286	1 127	841	785
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	5 994	5 495	5 861	6 051	6 008	-43	14
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	2 268	2 595	3 075	2 728	2 913	185	645
Depreciation	14 826	15 581	15 960	16 230	17 060	830	2 234
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	3 254	2 018	1 873	1 679	1 858	179	-1 396
Other expenditure	49 936	59 096	45 992	52 016	57 595	5 579	7 659
Total expenditure (D)	231 872	225 389	226 978	233 867	253 374	19 507	21 502
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>4</sup>	15 505	766	7 068	7 752	-513	-8 265	-16 018
Company tax	3 471	2 784	3 484	3 310	3 144	-166	-327
Dividends payable	1 474	818	626	958	968	10	-506
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	652 622	653 419	650 244	654 277	623 588	-30 689	-29 034
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	884	852	577	2 431	1 838	-593	954
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	13 050	12 821	8 921	17 790	18 807	1 017	5 757
Vehicles and transport equipment	1 925	1 979	1 977	2 317	2 253	-64	328
Total capital expenditure	15 859	15 652	11 475	22 538	22 898	360	7 039

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>4</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 8 – Selected income and expenditure items: Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received <sup>3</sup>	341 859	334 380	388 219	396 086	424 835	28 749	82 976
Interest received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dividends received	6 445	7 751	11 792	4 374	8 427	4 053	1 982
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	583	590	541	622	634	12	51
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	4 222	3 842	5 266	5 721	5 797	76	1 575
Other income	16 156	17 772	17 002	18 359	12 702	-5 657	-3 454
Total income (A)	369 265	364 335	422 820	425 162	452 395	27 233	83 130
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	3 731	4 039	4 546	4 434	5 006	572	1 275
Opening value of work in progress	1 708	2 009	1 934	1 813	2 269	456	561
Opening value of finished goods	9 972	10 329	9 846	10 547	10 182	-365	210
Total opening values (B)	15 411	16 377	16 326	16 794	17 457	663	2 046
Closing value of raw materials	3 968	4 555	4 435	4 611	5 264	653	1 296
Closing value of work in progress	1 990	1 927	2 059	1 962	2 245	283	255
Closing value of finished goods	10 327	9 736	10 223	10 326	10 233	-93	-94
Total closing values (C)	16 285	16 218	16 717	16 899	17 742	843	1 457

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Turnover includes: interest, rent/leasing and hiring – refer to page 39 for more details.

**Table 8 – Selected income and expenditure items: Real estate and other business services industry (excluding financial intermediation and insurance) (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	81 975	73 222	65 880	74 317	107 047	32 730	25 072
Employment costs <sup>3</sup>	110 887	108 441	141 429	139 546	144 610	5 064	33 723
Interest paid	17 574	17 398	21 148	19 803	20 984	1 181	3 410
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	1 995	1 980	2 135	2 061	2 164	103	169
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	15 482	15 341	15 780	15 863	11 458	-4 405	-4 024
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	1 612	1 723	1 933	1 845	1 700	-145	88
Depreciation	7 551	8 089	7 477	7 535	7 530	-5	-21
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	14 944	9 523	10 375	9 510	8 977	-533	-5 967
Other expenditure	76 949	80 009	91 918	547 574	98 143	-449 431	21 194
Total expenditure (D)	328 969	315 726	358 075	818 054	402 613	-415 441	73 644
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>4</sup>	41 170	48 450	65 136	-392 787	50 067	442 854	8 897
Company tax	9 485	7 852	9 027	10 513	34 982	24 469	25 497
Dividends payable	15 272	9 721	13 459	8 239	17 654	9 415	2 382
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	773 442	768 854	823 988	792 205	805 740	13 535	32 298
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	1 923	1 724	2 046	2 262	1 803	-459	-120
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	3 561	3 392	4 192	3 597	4 096	499	535
Vehicles and transport equipment	1 387	2 491	2 408	2 617	2 299	-318	912
Total capital expenditure	6 871	7 607	8 646	8 476	8 198	-278	1 327

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with *the Quarterly employment statistics (QES)* (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>4</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 9 – Selected income and expenditure items: Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government and educational institutions)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Income items						R million	R million
Turnover received	67 180	70 322	69 766	70 165	70 986	821	3 806
Interest received	670	531	529	567	557	-10	-113
Dividends received	78	190	319	176	134	-42	56
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights received	275	271	261	254	234	-20	-41
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures received	753	664	694	630	490	-140	-263
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment received	261	257	285	260	35	-225	-226
Profit on assets/investment sold or revalued	488	989	222	493	971	478	483
Other income	3 645	4 857	5 528	4 688	4 629	-59	984
Total income (A)	73 350	78 081	77 604	77 233	78 036	803	4 686
Inventories							
Opening value of raw materials	1 029	958	1 100	840	1 048	208	19
Opening value of work in progress	19	16	11	8	6	-2	-13
Opening value of finished goods	1 877	1 847	1 744	1 758	1 917	159	40
Total opening values (B)	2 925	2 821	2 855	2 606	2 971	365	46
Closing value of raw materials	967	1 100	1 049	826	1 052	226	85
Closing value of work in progress	16	11	8	5	13	8	-3
Closing value of finished goods	1 857	1 744	1 766	1 790	1 972	182	115
Total closing values (C)	2 840	2 855	2 823	2 621	3 037	416	197

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 9 – Selected income and expenditure items: Community, social and personal services industry (excluding government and educational institutions) (concluded)**

Item	Quarter ended					Quarter-on-quarter difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Year-on-year difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million						
	December 2020	March 2021	June 2021	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>		
Expenditure items						R million	R million
Purchases	18 403	19 065	18 542	16 791	18 689	1 898	286
Employment costs <sup>3</sup>	20 901	21 803	22 181	24 702	23 322	-1 380	2 421
Interest paid	2 333	1 399	1 478	1 412	2 497	1 085	164
Royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and patent rights paid	262	330	315	315	238	-77	-24
Rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures paid	2 468	2 506	2 622	3 038	2 882	-156	414
Hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment paid	721	691	676	693	881	188	160
Depreciation	2 738	2 954	2 971	3 346	2 912	-434	174
Losses on assets/investments sold or revalued	944	636	987	582	730	148	-214
Other expenditure	20 451	21 142	22 342	22 858	22 628	-230	2 177
Total expenditure (D)	69 221	70 526	72 114	73 737	74 779	1 042	5 558
Net profit or loss before taxation (E) <sup>4</sup>	4 044	7 589	5 458	3 511	3 323	-188	-721
Company tax	907	969	994	913	912	-1	5
Dividends payable	164	470	1 002	1 007	488	-519	324
Carrying value of property, plant and equipment as at the end of quarter	83 587	81 507	82 266	81 831	85 461	3 630	1 874
Capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment							
Buildings, improvement and construction works	778	929	772	1 227	1 088	-139	310
Plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other equipment	1 012	952	1 207	1 622	1 089	-533	77
Vehicles and transport equipment	284	358	273	129	78	-51	-206
Total capital expenditure	2 074	2 239	2 252	2 978	2 255	-723	181

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Refer to page 35 for comparability with the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) (statistical release P0277) survey.<sup>4</sup> E=A-B+C-D.

**Table 10 – Comparison of selected operating ratios between September 2021 and December 2021**

Industry	Turnover / Fixed assets <sup>3</sup>		Net profit before tax / Turnover <sup>4</sup>		Turnover / Closing inventories <sup>5</sup>		Net profit before tax / Fixed assets <sup>6</sup>	
	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>
Mining and quarrying	0,50	0,55	0,19	0,09	1,85	2,21	0,09	0,05
Manufacturing	1,38	1,54	0,07	0,06	1,68	1,86	0,09	0,10
Electricity, gas and water supply	0,13	0,10	0,20	-0,02	2,55	1,92	0,03	0,00
Construction	1,52	1,73	0,02	0,03	2,81	3,11	0,04	0,05
Trade	4,02	4,14	0,05	0,06	2,32	2,44	0,20	0,23
Transport, storage and communication	0,35	0,39	0,03	0,00	14,35	14,65	0,01	0,00
Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	0,50	0,53	-0,99	0,12	23,44	23,95	-0,50	0,06
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	0,86	0,83	0,05	0,05	26,77	23,37	0,04	0,04
<b>All industries</b>	<b>0,79</b>	<b>0,83</b>	<b>-0,07</b>	<b>0,06</b>	<b>2,56</b>	<b>2,78</b>	<b>-0,05</b>	<b>0,05</b>

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Turnover / Carrying value of property, plant and equipment at the end of the quarter.<sup>4</sup> Net profit or loss before taxation / Turnover.<sup>5</sup> Turnover / Closing value of inventories.<sup>6</sup> Net profit or loss before taxation / Carrying value of property, plant and equipment at the end of the quarter.

**Table 10 – Comparison of selected operating ratios between September 2021 and December 2021 (concluded)**

Industry	Total capital expenditure / Fixed assets <sup>3</sup>		*Cost of Sales / Average inventories <sup>4</sup>		Net profit before interest and income tax expenses / Interest expense <sup>5</sup>		Cash dividends / Net income <sup>6</sup>	
	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>	September 2021 <sup>1</sup>	December 2021 <sup>2</sup>
Mining and quarrying	0,04	0,04	0,79	0,94	10,68	5,74	1,61	0,68
Manufacturing	0,03	0,03	1,13	1,24	7,02	6,34	0,10	0,07
Electricity, gas and water supply	0,01	0,01	1,02	0,99	2,77	0,88	0,12	-0,93
Construction	0,02	0,02	1,76	1,95	2,01	2,20	0,05	0,10
Trade	0,04	0,04	1,82	1,87	6,67	8,42	0,06	0,03
Transport, storage and communication	0,03	0,04	6,74	7,04	1,97	0,94	0,22	-0,26
Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	0,01	0,01	4,41	6,07	-18,83	3,39	-0,02	1,17
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	0,04	0,03	6,42	6,20	3,49	2,33	0,39	0,20
<b>All industries</b>	<b>0,03</b>	<b>0,03</b>	<b>1,50</b>	<b>1,64</b>	<b>-2,10</b>	<b>3,78</b>	<b>-0,31</b>	<b>0,32</b>

<sup>1</sup> Revised.<sup>2</sup> Preliminary.<sup>3</sup> Total capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment / Carrying value of property, plant and equipment at the end of the quarter.<sup>4</sup> Cost of sales\* / [(Opening inventories + Closing inventories) / 2].<sup>5</sup> (Net profit or loss before taxation + Interest paid) / Interest paid.<sup>6</sup> Dividends paid / (Net profit or loss before taxation – Company tax).

\* Cost of sales = (Opening inventories + Purchases – Closing inventories).

## Technical notes

### Confidence intervals

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

Lower limit

= lower 95% confidence limit of a population parameter

= estimate – 1,96 \* Standard error (estimate);

and

Upper limit

= upper 95% confidence limit of a population parameter

= estimate + 1,96 \* Standard error (estimate)

### Standard error (SE)

$$= \frac{\text{Upper limit (R million)} - \text{Lower limit (R million)}}{2 * 1,96}$$

### Relative standard error (RSE)

$$= \frac{\text{SE of estimate} * 100}{\text{Estimated}}$$

**Table A – Estimates of turnover by industry within 95% confidence limits: September 2021**

Industry	Lower limit	Estimate	Upper limit	Relative standard error
	R million	R million	R million	(RSE)
Mining and quarrying	277 454	280 310	283 166	0,5
Manufacturing	732 191	762 847	793 503	2,1
Electricity, gas and water supply	100 136	102 231	104 326	1,0
Construction	68 023	82 625	97 227	9,0
Trade	945 347	1 027 953	1 110 559	4,1
Transport, storage and communication	216 743	230 630	244 517	3,1
Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	341 282	396 086	450 890	7,1
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	63 999	70 165	76 331	4,5
<b>All industries</b>	<b>2 817 197</b>	<b>2 952 847</b>	<b>3 088 497</b>	<b>2,3</b>

**Table B – Estimates of turnover by industry within 95% confidence limits: December 2021**

Industry	Lower limit	Estimate	Upper limit	Relative standard error
	R million	R million	R million	(RSE)
Mining and quarrying	291 656	295 115	298 574	0,6
Manufacturing	743 024	770 923	798 822	1,8
Electricity, gas and water supply	80 359	81 815	83 271	0,9
Construction	61 393	74 503	87 613	9,0
Trade	988 632	1 079 623	1 170 614	4,3
Transport, storage and communication	226 632	242 324	258 016	3,3
Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	360 028	424 835	489 642	7,8
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	63 091	70 986	78 881	5,7
<b>All industries</b>	<b>2 899 665</b>	<b>3 040 124</b>	<b>3 180 583</b>	<b>2,4</b>

**Table C – Turnover by industry and percentage change**

Industry	Turnover December 2020	Turnover September 2021	Turnover December 2021	Difference between December 2021 and September 2021	Difference between December 2021 and December 2020
	R million	R million	R million	%	%
Mining and quarrying	255 684	280 310	295 115	5,3	15,4
Manufacturing	763 678	762 847	770 923	1,1	0,9
Electricity, gas and water supply	74 669	102 231	81 815	-20,0	9,6
Construction	84 879	82 625	74 503	-9,8	-12,2
Trade	962 117	1 027 953	1 079 623	5,0	12,2
Transport, storage and communication	233 391	230 630	242 324	5,1	3,8
Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	341 859	396 086	424 835	7,3	24,3
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	67 180	70 165	70 986	1,2	5,7
<b>All industries</b>	<b>2 783 457</b>	<b>2 952 847</b>	<b>3 040 124</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>9,2</b>

**Table D – Turnover by industry and percentage contribution<sup>1</sup>**

Industry	September 2021		December 2021	
	R million	% total turnover	R million	% total turnover
Mining and quarrying	280 310	9,5	295 115	9,7
Manufacturing	762 847	25,8	770 923	25,4
Electricity, gas and water supply	102 231	3,5	81 815	2,7
Construction	82 625	2,8	74 503	2,5
Trade	1 027 953	34,8	1 079 623	35,5
Transport, storage and communication	230 630	7,8	242 324	8,0
Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	396 086	13,4	424 835	14,0
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	70 165	2,4	70 986	2,3
<b>All industries</b>	<b>2 952 847</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>3 040 124</b>	<b>100,0</b>

<sup>1</sup>The aggregates of the SIC contributions may not add up to totals due to rounding-off.

**Table E – Closing inventories by industry and percentage change**

Industry	Inventories September 2021	Inventories December 2021	Difference between December 2021 and September 2021
	R million	R million	%
Mining and quarrying	151 434	133 628	-11,8
Manufacturing	454 660	413 847	-9,0
Electricity, gas and water supply	40 096	42 512	6,0
Construction	29 432	23 977	-18,5
Trade	442 731	442 730	0,0
Transport, storage and communication	16 074	16 537	2,9
Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	16 899	17 742	5,0
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	2 621	3 037	15,9
<b>All industries</b>	<b>1 153 947</b>	<b>1 094 010</b>	<b>-5,2</b>

**Table F – Capital expenditure by industry and percentage change**

Industry	Capital expenditure September 2021	Capital expenditure December 2021	Difference between December 2021 and September 2021
	R million	R million	%
Mining and quarrying	21 010	22 656	7,8
Manufacturing	17 280	15 268	-11,6
Electricity, gas and water supply	10 896	10 408	-4,5
Construction	1 281	784	-38,8
Trade	9 724	11 106	14,2
Transport, storage and communication	22 538	22 898	1,6
Real estate and other business services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	8 476	8 198	-3,3
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	2 978	2 255	-24,3
<b>All industries</b>	<b>94 183</b>	<b>93 573</b>	<b>-0,6</b>

<b>Neyman Optimal Allocation</b>	<p>Before drawing samples in each of the surveys the population of enterprises on the Business Sampling Frame (BSF) was stratified. Strata were formed using a combination of the standard industrial classification variable and the measure of size variable for enterprises. The Neyman optimal allocation formula used to allocate samples to each stratum is given by a formula below.</p> $n_h = \frac{N_h S_h}{\sum N_h S_h}$ <p>Where <math>N_h</math> and <math>S_h</math> are the stratum population size and the stratum variance, respectively.</p>
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**Table G – DTI cut-off points (adjusted by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) for QFS)**

Industry	Enterprise size			
	Large (Size-group 1) Lower limits Rand	Medium (Size-group 2) Lower limits Rand	Small (Size-group 3) Lower limits Rand	Very small <sup>1</sup> (Size-group 4) Lower limits Rand
Mining and quarrying	585 000 000	150 000 000	60 000 000	2 000 000
Manufacturing	765 000 000	195 000 000	75 000 000	2 000 000
Electricity, gas and water supply	765 000 000	195 000 000	76 500 000	2 000 000
Construction	390 000 000	90 000 000	45 000 000	2 000 000
Wholesale trade	960 000 000	480 000 000	90 000 000	2 000 000
Retail trade	585 000 000	285 000 000	60 000 000	2 000 000
Motor trade	585 000 000	285 000 000	60 000 000	2 000 000
Accommodation and catering	195 000 000	90 000 000	76 500 000	2 000 000
Transport, storage and communication	390 000 000	195 000 000	45 000 000	2 000 000
Real estate and other businesses services, excluding financial intermediation and insurance	390 000 000	195 000 000	45 000 000	2 000 000
Community, social and personal services, excluding government and educational institutions	195 000 000	90 000 000	15 000 000	2 000 000

Source: National Small Business Amendment Bill 2003, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

<sup>1</sup>Enterprises with a turnover of less than R2 000 000 are excluded from this survey as from the 2009 sample.

## Explanatory notes

### Introduction

- 1 Stats SA conducts a quarterly sample survey to collect a range of financial statistics in respect of enterprises in the formal business sector of the South African economy, excluding agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing and financial intermediation and insurance, government and educational institutions. This statistical release presents a selection of key findings and tables from Stats SA's *Quarterly financial statistics* (QFS) survey for the December 2020 and March, June, September and December 2021 quarters which examines key variables as required by the Systems of National Accounts (SNA) 2008, and are mentioned below:
  - turnover;
  - interest received and paid;
  - dividends received and dividends payable;
  - royalties, franchise fees, copyright, trade names and trade and patent rights received and paid;
  - income and expenditure in respect of rental/leasing of land, buildings and other structures, including payments for water and electricity services;
  - income and expenditure in respect of hiring/leasing of plant, machinery, vehicles and other equipment;
  - employment costs;
  - profit and loss on assets/investments sold or revalued;
  - depreciation provided for;
  - purchases;
  - other income and other expenditure;
  - total income and total expenditure;
  - net profit or loss before providing for company tax and dividends;
  - company tax;
  - carrying value of property, plant and equipment at the end of the quarter;
  - inventories as at the beginning and end of the quarter; and
  - capital expenditure on new property, plant and equipment at the end of the quarter.
- 2 The statistical release also contains accounting ratios derived from estimates of selected key variables.
- 3 In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current quarter may have been estimated due to late or non-submission by respondents. These estimates are revised as soon as the actual information is available.
- 4 Additional information regarding estimates of small, medium and large enterprises by industry per variable for the quarters ended September 2021 and December 2021 is available on the Stats SA website and can also be made available on request.

### Purpose of the survey

- 5 The QFS survey covers a sample of enterprises operating in the formal non-agricultural business sector of the South African economy, excluding financial intermediation, insurance, government and educational institutions. Results of the survey are used in compiling estimates of the Gross domestic product (GDP) and its components, which in turn are used to develop and monitor government policy.

These statistics are also used by the private sector in analysis of comparative business and industry performance. The results are published quarterly in the *Quarterly financial statistics* (QFS) statistical release P0044.

<b>Scope of the survey</b>	<p><b>6</b> This survey covers financial statistics of the following industries according to the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (SIC), Fifth edition, January 1993:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• mining and quarrying industry;</li> <li>• manufacturing industry;</li> <li>• electricity, gas and water supply industry;</li> <li>• construction industry;</li> <li>• trade industry;</li> <li>• transport, storage and communication industry;</li> <li>• real estate and business services industry, excluding financial intermediation and insurance; and</li> <li>• community, social and personal services industry, excluding government and educational institutions.</li> </ul>										
<b>Classification</b>	<p><b>7</b> The 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (SIC), Fifth edition, January 1993, was used to classify the statistical units in the survey. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions. Statistics in this publication are only presented at SIC major division (one digit) level. Each enterprise is classified to an industry which reflects the predominant activity of the enterprise. Estimates on lower digits SIC can be made available on request.</p>										
<b>Collection rate</b>	<p><b>8</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>December 2020 quarter:</td><td>73%</td></tr> <tr> <td>March 2021 quarter:</td><td>74%</td></tr> <tr> <td>June 2021 quarter:</td><td>75%</td></tr> <tr> <td>September 2021 quarter:</td><td>73%</td></tr> <tr> <td>December 2021 quarter (preliminary):</td><td>68%</td></tr> </table>	December 2020 quarter:	73%	March 2021 quarter:	74%	June 2021 quarter:	75%	September 2021 quarter:	73%	December 2021 quarter (preliminary):	68%
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<b>Statistical unit</b>	<p><b>9</b> For the purpose of this publication, the statistical unit in the quarterly financial statistics survey is the enterprise. An enterprise is defined as a legal unit or a combination of legal units that includes and directly controls all functions necessary to carry out its production activities. The statistical units are derived from and linked to the South African Revenue Service (SARS) value added tax (VAT) administrative data.</p>										
<b>Survey methodology and design</b>	<p><b>10</b> The survey is conducted on a quarterly basis. Questionnaires are sent to a sample of approximately 4 796 enterprises. Questionnaires have to be returned to Stats SA within two weeks after the end of the quarter concerned. Fax, telephone and electronic reminders are used to follow up on non-responding enterprises.</p> <p><b>11</b> Samples are normally drawn each year and the resulting level changes in estimates are indicated when the new sample is implemented. A new sample was drawn in 2021 and implemented from the December 2021 quarter onwards.</p>										

- 12** The sample was drawn from a population of enterprises that contributed approximately 95% to the total turnover per industry. Adjustments are made to the estimates to account for enterprises contributing less than 5% of the total turnover within each industry. All enterprises are stratified by type of enterprise according to size groups based on the National Small Business Amendment Bill, 2003, size group allocations for industries as defined in the SIC.

All large enterprises, which comprise 54% of the number of enterprises in the sample, are completely enumerated, while simple random sampling is applied for medium sized, small and very small enterprises. Enterprises with a VAT turnover of less than R2 000 000 are excluded from this survey. The data reported by the enterprises in the sample are weighted to represent all enterprises in the population.

### Reliability of estimates

- 13** Data presented in this publication are based on information obtained from a sample of enterprises and are, therefore, subject to sampling variability, that is, the data may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the data had been obtained from all enterprises in the different industries in South Africa, inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as sampling errors. See Tables A and B (page 28) to determine the extent that estimates may vary.
- 14** Inaccuracies may occur because of imperfections in reporting by enterprises and errors made with the collection and processing of the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling errors. Every effort is made to minimise non-sampling errors by designing the questionnaire carefully, conducting pilot studies, editing of data and the implementation of efficient operating procedures. Preliminary figures are indicated in the relevant tables.

### Reasons for fluctuations in data

- 15** The fluctuations in the data can be attributed to:
- revisions to previous quarters made in the event of new or revised information being furnished by the respondents;
  - restructuring of large businesses;
  - exchange rate fluctuations;
  - changes in reporting due to new International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS);
  - once-off items reflected in one or more quarters, but not reflected in other quarters;
  - year-end adjustments performed during the last quarter of the financial year;
  - seasonal factors;
  - items declared annually and not quarterly;
  - samples drawn annually (*see paragraph 10 on page 33*); and
  - response rates per industry and within sub sectors.

### Standard error

- 16** The estimates in this publication are based on a sample drawn from units in the surveyed population. The entire population is not surveyed. The published estimates are subject to sampling error. The most common way of quantifying such sampling error is to calculate the standard error for the published estimate or statistic (*see Tables A and B on page 28*).

<b>Revised figures</b>	<b>17</b>	The revised figures are due to respondents reporting revisions or corrections in their figures and late submissions of their data to Stats SA. Editing of data occurs at individual enterprise level.
<b>Reference period</b>	<b>18</b>	The reference period for this publication is from 1 October 2021 to 31 December 2021.
<b>Related publications</b>	<b>19</b>	<p>Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available from Stats SA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Annual financial statistics (P0021)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Electricity generated and available for distribution (P4141)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Food and beverages (P6420)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Gross domestic product (P0441)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Land transport (P7162)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Manufacturing: Production and sales (P3041.2)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Mining: Production and sales (P2041)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Motor trade sales (P6343.2)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Quarterly employment statistics (P0277)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Retail trade sales (P6242.1)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions (P5041.1)</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Stats in brief</i>;</li> <li>• <i>Tourist accommodation (P6410)</i>; and</li> <li>• <i>Wholesale trade sales (P6141.2)</i>.</li> </ul>
<b>Rounding-off of figures</b>	<b>20</b>	The figures in the tables have, where necessary, been rounded off to the nearest three digits shown.
<b>Comparison of results with Quarterly employment statistics (QES) survey</b>	<b>21</b>	<p>Employment costs estimates produced in this publication are based on information as defined by the International Accounting Standards 19 (IAS19) from an accounting perspective. The <i>Quarterly employment statistics (QES)</i> survey produces estimates for employment and earnings from a payroll perspective.</p> <p>The differences between the QFS employment costs and QES earnings can be attributed, but not limited, to the following factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• accounting and payroll timing differences in the recognition of employment-related transactions. The QFS employment costs are recognised on an accrual basis while the QES earnings are recognised on a cash basis;</li> <li>• classification differences between surveys;</li> <li>• changes in accounting standards (International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) revisions in the QFS);</li> <li>• different sampling frames;</li> <li>• different sampling methodology and sampling specifications;</li> <li>• information sources (information from the payroll administrator vs. information from the accounting officer); and</li> <li>• restructuring of businesses.</li> </ul>

**Adjustment of DTI cut-off points**    **22**    The DTI cut-off points sourced from the National Small Business Amendment Bill 2003 have been raised by a factor of 15,0 to comply with sample specifications.

**Symbols and abbreviations**    **23**

AFS	Annual financial statistics
BSF	Business Sampling Frame
DTI	Department of Trade and Industry
GDP	Gross domestic product
IAS	International Accounting Standards
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards
ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification
QES	Quarterly employment statistics
QFS	Quarterly financial statistics
RSE	Relative Standard Error
SARS	South African Revenue Service
SE	Standard Error
SIC	Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities
Stats SA	Statistics South Africa
VAT	Value-added tax
..	Not available

## Glossary

### **Capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment**

Capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment includes:

- erection of new buildings and works, additions to and alterations of existing buildings and works, whether payments were made to outside contractors or concerns, or work done by the enterprise itself;
- work in progress capitalised; and
- new plant and machinery, vehicles and equipment.

### **Carrying value of property, plant and equipment**

Carrying value of property, plant and equipment at the end of the quarter includes:

- land;
- residential buildings and non-residential buildings;
- construction works, roads and parking areas;
- computers and other IT equipment;
- motor vehicles and other transport equipment; and
- plant, machinery, furniture, fittings and other office equipment.

### **Company tax**

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

### **Employment costs**

Employment/staff costs according to IAS 19 are costs incurred in exchange for services rendered by employees. These costs are divided into four categories: short-term employee benefits, post-employment benefits, other long-term employee benefits and termination benefits.

Employment costs include (among other types of employment benefits):

- wages and salaries;
- compensated absences (paid vacation and sick leave);
- commissions paid;
- profit sharing plans;
- bonuses;
- medical and life insurance benefits during employment;
- housing benefits;
- free or subsidised goods or services given to employees;
- pension benefits;
- post-employment medical and life insurance benefits;
- long-service or sabbatical leave;
- jubilee benefits;
- deferred compensation programmes;
- severance, termination and redundancy payments to staff; and
- other employee-related costs not mentioned above.

<b>Enterprise</b>	An enterprise is a legal unit or a combination of legal units that includes and directly controls all functions necessary to carry out its production activities.
<b>Establishment</b>	An establishment is defined as an enterprise or part of an enterprise that is situated at a single location and in which only a single (non-ancillary) productive activity is carried out or in which the principal productive activity accounts for most of the value added.
<b>Industry</b>	An industry consists of a group of enterprises engaged in the same or similar kinds of economic activity, and is classified according to the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (SIC), Fifth edition, January 1993.
<b>International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)</b>	International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) are international accounting standards stating how particular types of transactions and other events should be reported in financial statements. IFRS are issued by the Accounting Standards Board. The purpose of IFRS is to improve transparency and comparability within financial reporting and introduce consistency in accounting.
<b>Inventories</b>	<p>Inventories consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Outputs that are held by the enterprise that produced them prior to their being further processed, sold, delivered to other units or used in other ways.</li><li>• Products acquired from other enterprises that are intended to be used for intermediate consumption or for resale without further processing (factored goods).</li></ul> <p>Raw materials consist of components for processing, packing materials, fuel, consumable and maintenance stores.</p> <p>Work in progress consists of goods in the process of manufacturing or work that has been partially done, but which has not yet been completed at the beginning and end of the quarter.</p> <p>Finished goods include manufactured goods by own manufacturers and goods not produced by the enterprise but purchased for resale, not sold at the beginning and end of the quarter.</p>
<b>Net profit or loss</b>	Net profit or loss before drawings by proprietors or partners, company tax paid or provided for and dividends paid or provided for are taken into account is calculated as total income minus opening inventories plus closing inventories less total expenditure.

**Purchases**

Purchases includes:

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

Purchases excludes:

- subcontract and commission expenses;
- motor vehicle running expenditure, including parts and fuel;
- purchases of materials capitalised for “capital work done” by own employees; and
- containers and packaging materials.

**Turnover**

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

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

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

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

Turnover excludes:

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

**Value-added tax**

VAT is an indirect tax based on consumption of goods and services in the economy.

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