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Production: results for July 2025

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

	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25
Year-on-year % change, unadjusted	-3,0	-0,8	-6,6	0,2	1,9	-0,7
Month-on-month % change, seasonally adjusted	0,0	-2,2	1,3	2,3	0,4	-0,5
3-month % change, seasonally adjusted ¹	-2,1	-1,9	-1,2	-0,3	1,5	2,5

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

Manufacturing production decreased by 0,7% in July 2025 compared with July 2024. The largest negative contributions were made by the basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery division (-3,3% and contributing -0,7 of a percentage point) and the wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing division (-1,8% and contributing -0,2 of a percentage point) – see Table 5 and Table 6.

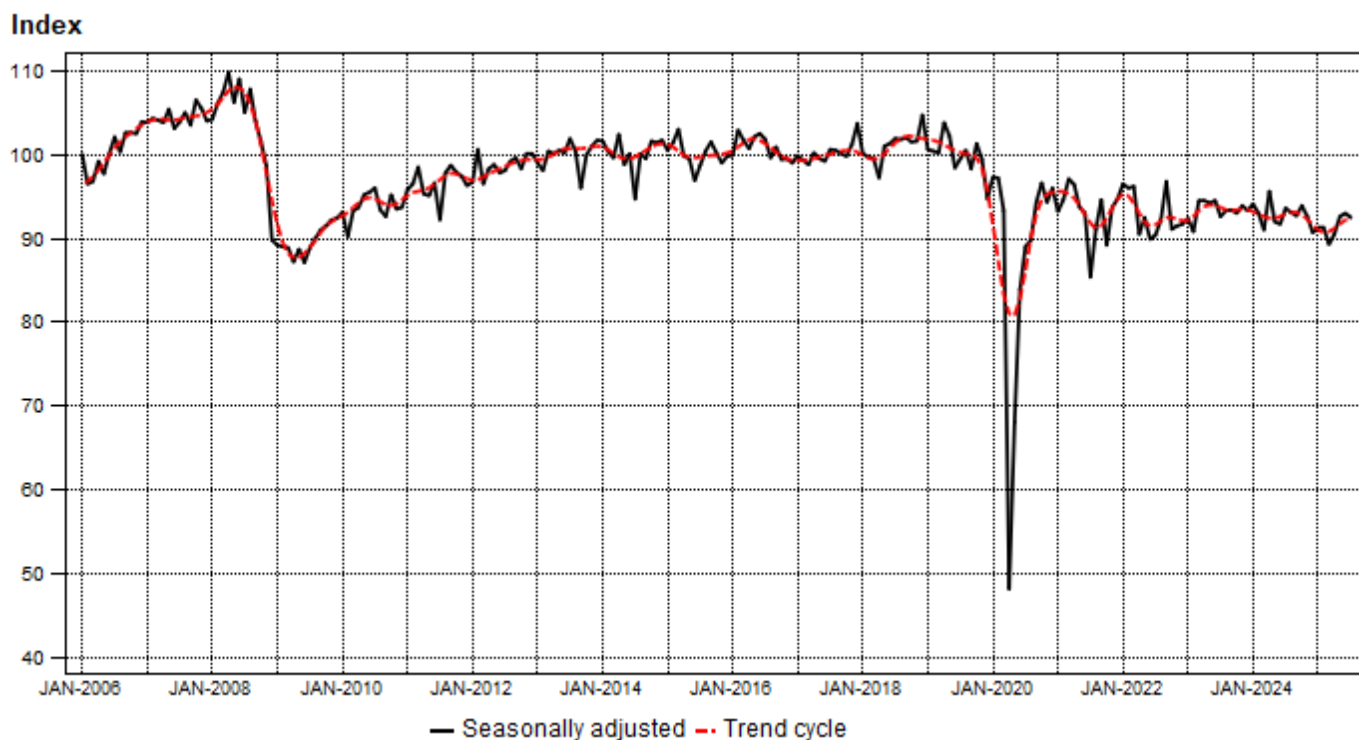
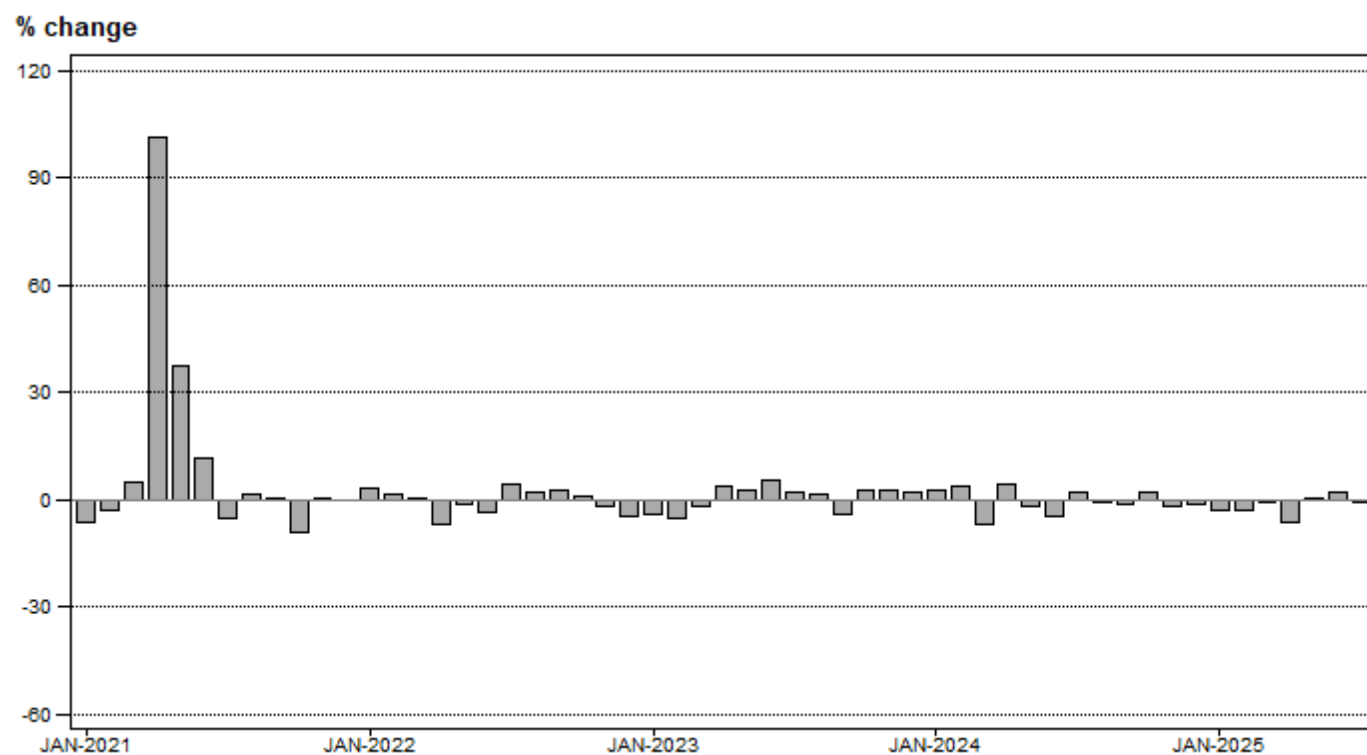
Seasonally adjusted manufacturing production decreased by 0,5% in July 2025 compared with June 2025. This followed month-on-month changes of 0,4% in June 2025 and 2,3% in May 2025 – see Table A.

Seasonally adjusted manufacturing production increased by 2,5% in the three months ended July 2025 compared with the previous three months. Seven of the ten manufacturing divisions reported positive growth rates over this period. The largest positive contributions were reported for the following divisions:

- food and beverages (3,4% and contributing 0,9 of a percentage point);
- petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products (4,1% and contributing 0,8 of a percentage point); and
- motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment (4,8% and contributing 0,4 of a percentage point) – see Table B.

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

Manufacturing division and major group	Weight	Feb – Apr 2025	May – Jul 2025	% change between Feb – Apr 2025 and May – Jul 2025	Contribution (% points) to the total % change
Food and beverages	22,07	101,6	105,1	3,4	0,9
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	3,53	108,6	106,6	-1,8	-0,1
Dairy products	1,48	100,4	92,0	-8,4	-0,1
Grain mill products	2,01	105,6	107,2	1,5	0,0
Other food products	7,61	86,8	94,9	9,3	0,7
Beverages	7,44	112,7	116,9	3,7	0,3
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	3,89	88,1	89,5	1,6	0,1
Textiles	0,96	93,1	97,2	4,4	0,0
Other textile products	0,55	94,7	96,5	1,9	0,0
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	82,6	80,9	-2,1	0,0
Wearing apparel	1,83	84,0	84,3	0,4	0,0
Leather and leather products	0,24	76,1	81,5	7,1	0,0
Footwear	0,25	98,4	92,7	-5,8	0,0
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,29	94,2	95,3	1,2	0,1
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,83	97,0	92,5	-4,6	0,0
Products of wood	0,93	118,3	110,3	-6,8	-0,1
Paper and paper products	5,18	94,3	99,3	5,3	0,3
Publishing	2,02	78,8	82,2	4,3	0,1
Printing, recorded media	1,33	98,8	91,1	-7,8	-0,1
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	24,38	76,2	79,3	4,1	0,8
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,63	57,1	62,0	8,6	0,6
Basic chemicals	3,35	96,7	100,9	4,3	0,2
Other chemical products	6,81	89,5	90,7	1,3	0,1
Rubber products	0,65	91,9	82,8	-9,9	-0,1
Plastic products	1,94	104,2	105,0	0,8	0,0
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,06	102,9	102,7	-0,2	0,0
Glass and glass products	0,50	101,7	106,0	4,2	0,0
Non-metallic mineral products	2,56	103,1	102,0	-1,1	0,0
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	20,86	93,0	94,3	1,4	0,3
Basic iron and steel products	3,18	74,7	76,6	2,5	0,1
Non-ferrous metal products	3,98	93,9	92,5	-1,5	-0,1
Structural metal products	2,01	108,7	103,3	-5,0	-0,1
Other fabricated metal products	3,74	96,7	99,0	2,4	0,1
General purpose machinery	3,52	100,9	103,8	2,9	0,1
Special purpose machinery	3,77	86,1	90,2	4,8	0,2
Household appliances	0,66	104,9	107,3	2,3	0,0
Electrical machinery	2,09	100,6	104,9	4,3	0,1
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,06	98,1	95,8	-2,3	0,0
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,16	93,9	109,5	16,6	0,0
Professional equipment	0,90	98,9	93,4	-5,6	-0,1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,21	87,2	91,4	4,8	0,4
Motor vehicles	2,39	91,7	96,0	4,7	0,1
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,72	91,4	89,6	-2,0	0,0
Parts and accessories	3,96	82,4	88,6	7,5	0,3
Other transport equipment	1,14	91,3	92,4	1,2	0,0
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,09	83,2	82,0	-1,4	-0,1
Furniture	0,70	92,4	98,7	6,8	0,0
Other manufacturing groups	3,39	81,2	78,5	-3,3	-0,1
Total	100	90,4	92,7	2,5	2,5

Figure 1 – Volume of manufacturing production (Base: 2019=100)**Figure 2 – Volume of manufacturing production (Base: 2019=100): year-on-year percentage change**

Sales: results for July 2025

Table C – Key growth rates in manufacturing sales at current prices

	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25
Year-on-year % change, unadjusted	-4,2	0,0	-8,0	-1,3	2,6	-0,1
Month-on-month % change, seasonally adjusted	0,0	-0,8	-0,5	1,9	2,2	-0,3
3-month % change, seasonally adjusted ¹	-0,2	-0,9	-0,5	-0,7	0,9	2,6

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

Seasonally adjusted manufacturing sales decreased by 0,3% in July 2025 compared with June 2025. This followed month-on-month changes of 2,2% in June 2025 and 1,9% in May 2025 – see Table C.

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

Manufacturing division	Feb – Apr 2025 (R million)	May – Jul 2025 (R million)	% change between Feb – Apr 2025 and May – Jul 2025	Contribution (% points) to the total % change
Food and beverages	219 261	230 027	4,9	1,3
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	19 924	20 296	1,9	0,0
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	55 047	55 690	1,2	0,1
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	181 187	189 099	4,4	0,9
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	24 725	25 005	1,1	0,0
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	169 155	166 069	-1,8	-0,4
Electrical machinery	18 759	19 863	5,9	0,1
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	7 207	7 484	3,8	0,0
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	129 055	133 400	3,4	0,5
Furniture and other manufacturing	32 551	32 277	-0,8	0,0
Total	856 871	879 212	2,6	2,6

Seasonally adjusted manufacturing sales increased by 2,6% in the three months ended July 2025 compared with the previous three months. The largest positive contributions were made by the food and beverages division (4,9% and contributing 1,3 percentage points) and the petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products division (4,4% and contributing 0,9 of a percentage point) – see Table D.


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

Statistical business register and samples

This statistical release contains results for the monthly survey of manufacturing production and sales from a new sample drawn in April 2025, which replaces the previous sample that was drawn in April 2024. The sample was drawn from a statistical business register of enterprises with an annual turnover of at least R3 984 745 and that are required to register with the South African Revenue Service (SARS) for value-added tax.

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

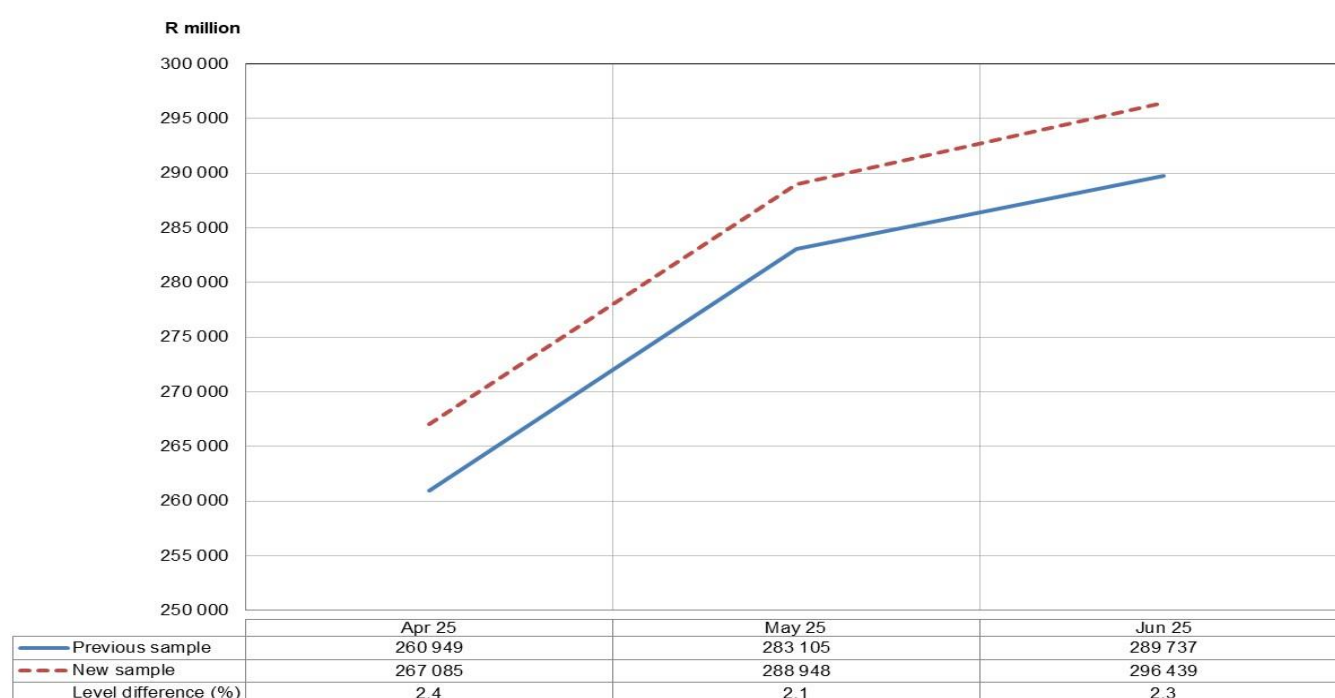
Comparison of total sales between the previous and new samples of the manufacturing industry

The reported level of total sales for the monthly survey of the manufacturing industry for the months April to June 2025 based on the new sample was 2,2% (R18 681 million) higher than the level of total sales recorded for the previous sample – see Table E and Figure 3. The previous sample was drawn in April 2024 and was operational for the last half of 2024 and the first half of 2025.

Table E – Total sales for previous and new samples for the manufacturing industry – April to June 2025

Manufacturing industry	Previous sample (R million)	New sample (R million)	Difference	
			(R million)	(%)
	833 791	852 472	18 681	2,2

Figure 3 – Total value of sales of manufactured products: monthly levels of previous and new samples for April to June 2025



Comparison of sales between the previous and new samples by division

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

Table F – Manufacturing sales for previous and new samples by division: April to June 2025

Manufacturing division	Previous sample (R million)	New sample (R million)	Difference	
			(R million)	(%) ¹
Food and beverages	209 378	218 028	8 650	4,1
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	19 887	19 586	-301	-1,5
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	49 545	51 857	2 312	4,7
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	177 347	180 833	3 486	2,0
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	24 671	24 427	-244	-1,0
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	166 296	170 784	4 488	2,7
Electrical machinery	21 794	20 214	-1 580	-7,2
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	7 700	7 308	-392	-5,1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	126 864	128 018	1 154	0,9
Furniture and other manufacturing	30 311	31 417	1 106	3,6
Total manufacturing	833 791	852 472	18 681	2,2

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

The largest differences were recorded in the following manufacturing divisions:

- food and beverages (R8 650 million or 4,1% higher in the new sample);
- basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery (R4 488 million or 2,7% higher in the new sample);
- petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products (R3 486 million or 2,0% higher in the new sample); and
- wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing (R2 312 million or 4,7% higher in the new sample).

Backcasting

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

Tables

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

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Jan	88,0	85,7	80,3	83,0	79,8	82,1	79,8
Feb	94,9	92,4	89,5	91,0	86,2	89,4	86,7
Mar	101,2	94,5	99,2	99,3	97,7	91,2	90,5
Apr	95,8	45,3	91,2	84,7	87,9	91,5	85,5
May	102,0	67,2	92,3	91,2	93,6	91,7	91,9
Jun	97,8	84,1	93,8	90,5	95,6	91,1	92,8
Jul	101,8	91,4	86,8	90,4	92,2	94,2	93,5
Aug	105,2	92,9	94,5	96,4	97,7	96,8	
Sep	102,6	99,4	100,0	102,7	98,3	97,0	
Oct	112,7	106,8	97,3	98,4	101,0	102,9	
Nov	111,0	104,7	104,9	102,7	105,5	103,7	
Dec	86,8	87,6	87,6	83,4	85,2	84,2	
Total	100,0	87,7	93,1	92,8	93,4	93,0	

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

Month	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2025 year-to-date
Jan	-2,6	-6,3	3,4	-3,9	2,9	-2,8	-2,8
Feb	-2,6	-3,1	1,7	-5,3	3,7	-3,0	-2,9
Mar	-6,6	5,0	0,1	-1,6	-6,7	-0,8	-2,2
Apr	-52,7	101,3	-7,1	3,8	4,1	-6,6	-3,4
May	-34,1	37,4	-1,2	2,6	-2,0	0,2	-2,6
Jun	-14,0	11,5	-3,5	5,6	-4,7	1,9	-1,8
Jul	-10,2	-5,0	4,1	2,0	2,2	-0,7	-1,7
Aug	-11,7	1,7	2,0	1,3	-0,9		
Sep	-3,1	0,6	2,7	-4,3	-1,3		
Oct	-5,2	-8,9	1,1	2,6	1,9		
Nov	-5,7	0,2	-2,1	2,7	-1,7		
Dec	0,9	0,0	-4,8	2,2	-1,2		
Total	-12,3	6,2	-0,3	0,6	-0,4		

Table 3 – Seasonally adjusted volume of manufacturing production

Month	Index (Base: 2019=100)				Month-on-month % change			
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2022	2023	2024	2025
Jan	96,5	92,4	94,1	91,3	1,9	0,8	0,9	0,7
Feb	96,0	90,8	93,0	91,3	-0,5	-1,7	-1,2	0,0
Mar	96,2	94,5	91,0	89,3	0,2	4,1	-2,2	-2,2
Apr	90,5	94,5	95,6	90,5	-5,9	0,0	5,1	1,3
May	92,5	94,2	92,0	92,6	2,2	-0,3	-3,8	2,3
Jun	89,9	94,5	91,7	93,0	-2,8	0,3	-0,3	0,4
Jul	90,4	92,6	93,6	92,5	0,6	-2,0	2,1	-0,5
Aug	92,2	93,3	93,1		2,0	0,8	-0,5	
Sep	96,8	93,4	92,7		5,0	0,1	-0,4	
Oct	91,1	93,0	93,9		-5,9	-0,4	1,3	
Nov	91,5	93,9	92,6		0,4	1,0	-1,4	
Dec	91,7	93,3	90,7		0,2	-0,6	-2,1	

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

Manufacturing division and major group	Weight	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25
Food and beverages	22,07	94,8	101,0	92,6	103,0	104,1	103,6
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	3,53	106,0	109,4	102,0	109,2	103,6	104,9
Dairy products	1,48	89,1	106,8	88,9	88,0	82,7	86,8
Grain mill products	2,01	97,4	107,8	103,1	109,9	107,0	111,7
Other food products	7,61	77,8	83,7	79,1	97,8	103,3	104,9
Beverages	7,44	107,2	111,7	99,8	106,4	108,6	102,8
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	3,89	85,2	87,9	84,1	90,8	88,7	94,1
Textiles	0,96	95,8	97,6	85,7	104,9	103,1	100,2
Other textile products	0,55	94,2	95,4	91,4	96,8	90,1	98,9
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	66,3	89,1	68,2	78,3	80,0	91,8
Wearing apparel	1,83	79,1	81,0	82,9	84,1	81,8	88,9
Leather and leather products	0,24	79,6	78,4	69,9	78,0	82,4	91,3
Footwear	0,25	78,8	93,5	87,9	87,7	88,4	101,3
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,29	88,4	89,3	84,1	88,1	93,8	91,6
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,83	98,3	87,0	89,4	96,8	94,5	98,9
Products of wood	0,93	114,8	123,9	98,3	108,4	109,0	107,4
Paper and paper products	5,18	90,6	91,7	89,5	92,0	99,4	91,4
Publishing	2,02	69,0	63,3	61,9	68,0	75,7	83,8
Printing, recorded media	1,33	85,1	97,0	83,3	83,8	88,5	88,4
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	24,38	72,7	76,7	74,1	77,3	80,9	79,5
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,63	51,2	60,2	62,5	62,5	62,9	53,7
Basic chemicals	3,35	93,5	94,0	88,0	94,7	112,9	103,2
Other chemical products	6,81	89,7	86,6	79,0	88,1	90,2	101,0
Rubber products	0,65	91,7	105,1	95,0	73,2	75,6	108,2
Plastic products	1,94	99,4	101,0	95,1	99,4	102,9	108,6
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,06	91,4	102,8	97,1	110,5	99,3	104,3
Glass and glass products	0,50	93,6	101,5	91,4	106,2	99,6	105,9
Non-metallic mineral products	2,56	91,0	103,1	98,2	111,3	99,3	104,0
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	20,86	90,5	94,7	89,4	97,5	94,5	95,7
Basic iron and steel products	3,18	73,3	79,1	77,1	83,9	70,5	70,5
Non-ferrous metal products	3,98	88,9	95,3	91,4	96,6	93,8	86,9
Structural metal products	2,01	107,6	115,4	111,7	116,3	94,6	101,2
Other fabricated metal products	3,74	96,4	103,6	88,3	100,8	99,0	105,3
General purpose machinery	3,52	92,1	99,3	93,0	101,0	114,3	114,8
Special purpose machinery	3,77	87,0	80,4	82,4	92,6	91,0	91,1
Household appliances	0,66	107,5	108,9	94,8	102,0	103,0	124,8
Electrical machinery	2,09	97,9	102,9	103,1	112,6	106,4	116,6
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,06	99,4	107,8	91,4	101,7	97,4	83,3
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,16	78,6	92,0	78,8	108,8	110,5	89,3
Professional equipment	0,90	103,1	110,6	93,6	100,5	95,1	82,2
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,21	87,1	92,3	89,3	89,2	94,8	97,9
Motor vehicles	2,39	96,7	100,5	78,5	89,7	104,1	105,9
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,72	85,0	100,3	93,6	89,4	89,9	109,0
Parts and accessories	3,96	79,6	78,8	97,8	91,6	90,8	93,9
Other transport equipment	1,14	94,0	116,8	80,0	79,5	92,2	88,4
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,09	91,3	75,9	72,5	78,9	77,7	89,5
Furniture	0,70	78,6	85,6	83,3	99,2	98,5	98,6
Other manufacturing groups	3,39	94,0	73,9	70,2	74,7	73,4	87,5
Total	100	86,7	90,5	85,5	91,9	92,8	93,5

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

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

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

Manufacturing division and major group	Weight	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25
Food and beverages	22,07	-0,1	-0,6	-1,7	-0,1	1,4	0,4
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	3,53	-0,2	0,0	-0,1	-0,2	0,0	0,2
Dairy products	1,48	0,0	0,2	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1
Grain mill products	2,01	0,0	0,2	0,0	0,2	0,1	0,2
Other food products	7,61	-0,1	-0,8	-0,7	0,4	1,0	0,5
Beverages	7,44	0,2	-0,3	-0,9	-0,3	0,4	-0,2
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	3,89	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,1	0,1	-0,1
Textiles	0,96	0,1	-0,1	-0,1	0,1	0,1	0,0
Other textile products	0,55	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Wearing apparel	1,83	-0,1	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0	-0,1
Leather and leather products	0,24	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Footwear	0,25	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,29	-0,3	-0,3	-0,4	0,1	0,0	-0,2
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,83	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0	-0,1	-0,1
Products of wood	0,93	0,1	0,2	-0,2	0,0	0,0	-0,1
Paper and paper products	5,18	-0,5	-0,6	0,0	0,3	0,2	0,1
Publishing	2,02	0,0	0,0	0,1	-0,1	0,1	0,1
Printing, recorded media	1,33	0,1	0,2	-0,1	-0,1	-0,2	-0,1
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	24,38	-1,2	-0,5	-1,1	-0,2	0,4	0,0
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,63	-1,4	-0,8	-0,1	0,7	0,2	-0,5
Basic chemicals	3,35	0,0	-0,1	-0,5	-0,4	0,3	-0,1
Other chemical products	6,81	0,4	0,2	-0,4	-0,3	-0,2	0,6
Rubber products	0,65	-0,1	0,1	0,0	-0,1	-0,1	0,1
Plastic products	1,94	-0,1	0,0	-0,2	-0,2	0,1	0,0
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,06	-0,2	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1
Glass and glass products	0,50	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0
Non-metallic mineral products	2,56	-0,2	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2	0,1
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	20,86	-0,1	0,2	-1,6	0,7	0,3	-0,7
Basic iron and steel products	3,18	-0,2	-0,4	0,1	0,3	-0,5	-0,6
Non-ferrous metal products	3,98	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,2	0,3	-0,3
Structural metal products	2,01	-0,1	0,2	0,1	0,2	0,0	-0,2
Other fabricated metal products	3,74	-0,4	0,4	-0,8	0,1	0,2	0,1
General purpose machinery	3,52	0,1	0,1	-0,5	0,1	0,4	0,0
Special purpose machinery	3,77	-0,1	-0,4	-0,7	-0,1	-0,1	0,2
Household appliances	0,66	0,1	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,1
Electrical machinery	2,09	-0,2	-0,3	-0,4	-0,1	-0,1	0,0
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,06	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	-0,1
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,16	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Professional equipment	0,90	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	-0,1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,21	-1,1	0,5	-0,9	-0,5	0,1	-0,1
Motor vehicles	2,39	-0,3	0,5	-0,4	-0,4	0,2	0,0
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,72	-0,2	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Parts and accessories	3,96	-0,5	0,0	-0,3	0,0	-0,2	-0,1
Other transport equipment	1,14	-0,1	-0,1	-0,2	-0,1	0,0	0,0
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,09	0,2	0,1	-0,4	0,0	-0,3	-0,1
Furniture	0,70	0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Other manufacturing groups	3,39	0,2	0,1	-0,3	0,0	-0,3	-0,1
Total	100	-3,0	-0,8	-6,6	0,2	1,9	-0,7

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

Manufacturing division and major group	Weight	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Month-on-month % change
Food and beverages	22,07	103,0	97,5	104,4	106,1	104,7	-1,3
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	3,53	107,5	108,4	107,6	106,1	106,0	-0,1
Dairy products	1,48	108,0	93,5	93,7	91,5	90,7	-0,9
Grain mill products	2,01	105,2	107,6	107,9	106,0	107,7	1,6
Other food products	7,61	91,1	78,5	95,0	94,9	94,7	-0,2
Beverages	7,44	111,4	109,8	113,8	120,6	116,3	-3,6
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	3,89	86,9	89,5	89,7	89,5	89,3	-0,2
Textiles	0,96	90,1	92,1	97,3	98,0	96,3	-1,7
Other textile products	0,55	96,3	96,3	96,2	94,8	98,4	3,8
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	88,8	79,3	78,6	80,9	83,3	3,0
Wearing apparel	1,83	82,3	87,1	85,0	84,3	83,5	-0,9
Leather and leather products	0,24	76,8	76,5	80,2	83,2	81,0	-2,6
Footwear	0,25	97,8	97,3	92,6	91,8	93,6	2,0
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,29	91,3	96,4	97,0	94,9	93,9	-1,1
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,83	98,7	93,6	95,6	91,9	90,0	-2,1
Products of wood	0,93	124,8	111,3	113,9	111,6	105,4	-5,6
Paper and paper products	5,18	87,4	100,6	101,8	98,8	97,2	-1,6
Publishing	2,02	76,8	80,9	80,6	81,5	84,5	3,7
Printing, recorded media	1,33	100,6	95,3	92,3	90,9	90,0	-1,0
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	24,38	76,0	76,7	78,9	81,1	78,0	-3,8
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	11,63	56,7	61,0	67,0	63,9	55,0	-13,9
Basic chemicals	3,35	98,1	90,0	92,3	110,8	99,7	-10,0
Other chemical products	6,81	88,5	87,4	86,1	88,9	97,2	9,3
Rubber products	0,65	91,6	98,3	77,4	75,3	95,7	27,1
Plastic products	1,94	104,1	103,3	102,2	107,4	105,3	-2,0
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,06	101,8	105,4	103,9	101,2	102,9	1,7
Glass and glass products	0,50	103,5	100,7	107,1	104,4	106,6	2,1
Non-metallic mineral products	2,56	101,5	106,3	103,3	100,5	102,2	1,7
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	20,86	91,7	92,6	94,9	93,0	94,9	2,0
Basic iron and steel products	3,18	73,8	74,4	82,4	73,9	73,4	-0,7
Non-ferrous metal products	3,98	94,1	93,3	93,1	94,2	90,3	-4,1
Structural metal products	2,01	108,2	111,8	112,6	96,1	101,2	5,3
Other fabricated metal products	3,74	98,3	94,5	98,3	98,2	100,5	2,3
General purpose machinery	3,52	100,1	100,1	98,6	105,4	107,4	1,9
Special purpose machinery	3,77	78,7	87,0	89,8	88,0	92,8	5,5
Household appliances	0,66	105,9	99,0	100,5	101,5	119,9	18,1
Electrical machinery	2,09	98,9	103,2	103,9	103,1	107,8	4,6
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,06	97,7	97,1	100,0	96,2	91,1	-5,3
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,16	97,1	95,0	118,0	108,8	101,7	-6,5
Professional equipment	0,90	97,8	97,4	96,9	94,0	89,3	-5,0
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,21	81,7	95,1	89,0	92,7	92,4	-0,3
Motor vehicles	2,39	89,3	93,6	89,3	102,0	96,6	-5,3
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,72	93,1	92,2	87,5	84,5	96,7	14,4
Parts and accessories	3,96	72,2	97,8	89,2	88,1	88,6	0,6
Other transport equipment	1,14	91,5	90,5	88,7	94,4	94,1	-0,3
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,09	79,3	81,2	82,3	79,4	84,3	6,2
Furniture	0,70	92,0	93,3	99,7	97,0	99,3	2,4
Other manufacturing groups	3,39	76,7	78,7	78,6	75,7	81,1	7,1
Total	100	89,3	90,5	92,6	93,0	92,5	-0,5

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

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Jan	190 002	188 904	187 321	211 089	231 718	253 650	249 626
Feb	204 724	210 330	215 111	238 381	259 006	286 861	274 778
Mar	223 429	210 477	248 468	269 658	302 213	291 315	291 434
Apr	212 298	104 263	225 547	232 822	263 028	290 216	267 085
May	222 771	153 176	231 852	258 900	280 985	292 763	288 948
Jun	222 806	185 789	238 443	260 671	283 175	288 974	296 439
Jul	226 993	200 480	206 482	255 030	277 945	297 763	297 543
Aug	236 382	206 571	228 601	266 928	296 255	295 260	
Sep	227 590	221 995	240 283	283 884	300 624	294 593	
Oct	247 804	243 349	238 083	275 181	308 749	321 680	
Nov	245 147	247 095	266 853	297 743	326 392	318 576	
Dec	195 953	204 564	224 354	245 372	269 248	269 381	
Total	2 655 899	2 376 993	2 751 398	3 095 659	3 399 338	3 501 032	

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

Month	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2025 year-to-date
Jan	-0,6	-0,8	12,7	9,8	9,5	-1,6	-1,6
Feb	2,7	2,3	10,8	8,7	10,8	-4,2	-3,0
Mar	-5,8	18,0	8,5	12,1	-3,6	0,0	-1,9
Apr	-50,9	116,3	3,2	13,0	10,3	-8,0	-3,5
May	-31,2	51,4	11,7	8,5	4,2	-1,3	-3,0
Jun	-16,6	28,3	9,3	8,6	2,0	2,6	-2,1
Jul	-11,7	3,0	23,5	9,0	7,1	-0,1	-1,8
Aug	-12,6	10,7	16,8	11,0	-0,3		
Sep	-2,5	8,2	18,1	5,9	-2,0		
Oct	-1,8	-2,2	15,6	12,2	4,2		
Nov	0,8	8,0	11,6	9,6	-2,4		
Dec	4,4	9,7	9,4	9,7	0,0		
Total	-10,5	15,8	12,5	9,8	3,0		

Table 10 – Seasonally adjusted manufacturing sales at current prices

Month	R million				Month-on-month % change			
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2022	2023	2024	2025
Jan	249 061	269 940	292 649	287 644	3,9	0,9	-0,9	-0,3
Feb	251 065	271 714	295 398	287 742	0,8	0,7	0,9	0,0
Mar	257 657	287 082	288 851	285 335	2,6	5,7	-2,2	-0,8
Apr	248 300	285 599	301 375	283 794	-3,6	-0,5	4,3	-0,5
May	258 732	279 150	290 634	289 114	4,2	-2,3	-3,6	1,9
Jun	256 012	275 865	290 425	295 432	-1,1	-1,2	-0,1	2,2
Jul	256 565	280 795	295 406	294 666	0,2	1,8	1,7	-0,3
Aug	259 516	288 159	288 436		1,2	2,6	-2,4	
Sep	270 406	289 621	285 768		4,2	0,5	-0,9	
Oct	256 984	285 054	294 509		-5,0	-1,6	3,1	
Nov	265 512	292 333	285 231		3,3	2,6	-3,2	
Dec	267 525	295 253	288 481		0,8	1,0	1,1	

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

Manufacturing division and major group	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25
Food and beverages	67 662	72 355	68 880	74 641	74 507	74 748
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	19 908	20 988	21 141	22 406	21 976	23 020
Dairy products	5 710	6 643	5 981	5 648	5 287	5 754
Grain mill products	11 363	13 221	12 498	13 167	12 692	12 996
Other food products	13 722	14 814	14 085	16 673	16 874	17 428
Beverages	16 960	16 689	15 176	16 747	17 678	15 550
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	6 263	6 473	6 392	6 690	6 504	7 159
Textiles	818	806	816	906	816	983
Other textile products	1 922	1 951	1 880	2 020	1 850	2 009
Knitted, crocheted articles	198	248	202	223	226	262
Wearing apparel	2 098	2 166	2 256	2 276	2 224	2 396
Leather and leather products	605	570	533	571	691	682
Footwear	622	732	704	693	698	828
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	17 465	17 853	15 495	17 111	19 251	17 676
Sawmilling and planing of wood	1 146	1 082	1 149	1 196	1 168	1 250
Products of wood	2 481	2 692	2 029	2 403	2 304	2 290
Paper and paper products	9 975	9 929	8 587	9 690	11 702	9 783
Publishing	1 176	1 127	1 070	1 159	1 320	1 493
Printing, recorded media	2 688	3 023	2 659	2 663	2 757	2 860
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	57 243	61 074	56 014	61 708	63 111	65 195
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	18 785	23 485	20 594	23 867	23 209	23 144
Basic chemicals	10 724	9 928	9 796	10 448	10 771	10 832
Other chemical products	18 023	17 703	16 106	17 663	19 103	20 738
Rubber products	1 877	2 029	1 807	1 762	1 902	1 885
Plastic products	7 835	7 929	7 711	7 967	8 126	8 596
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	7 402	8 111	7 720	8 695	8 012	8 731
Glass and glass products	1 478	1 565	1 348	1 545	1 521	1 625
Non-metallic mineral products	5 925	6 546	6 371	7 150	6 491	7 106
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	54 847	57 908	54 380	58 261	58 143	56 495
Basic iron and steel products	9 763	9 723	9 192	11 026	10 908	9 292
Non-ferrous metal products	17 319	19 078	17 678	17 319	17 075	16 753
Structural metal products	4 621	5 132	4 732	5 035	4 193	4 485
Other fabricated metal products	9 962	10 549	9 760	10 194	10 273	10 883
General purpose machinery	5 482	5 684	5 500	5 830	6 898	6 645
Special purpose machinery	6 507	6 558	6 428	7 683	7 543	7 022
Household appliances	1 193	1 186	1 091	1 175	1 253	1 417
Electrical machinery	5 951	6 365	6 282	6 961	6 971	7 044
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	2 237	2 471	2 100	2 536	2 672	2 057
Radio, television and communication apparatus	945	1 096	959	1 327	1 433	1 043
Professional equipment	1 292	1 375	1 141	1 209	1 240	1 014
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	44 806	48 133	39 420	41 607	46 991	47 357
Motor vehicles	31 160	32 652	26 386	27 348	32 112	31 827
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	1 045	1 263	1 166	1 045	1 114	1 386
Parts and accessories	9 541	10 393	9 235	10 607	10 732	11 217
Other transport equipment	3 060	3 826	2 632	2 608	3 034	2 926
Furniture and other manufacturing	10 902	10 691	10 403	10 738	10 276	11 081
Furniture	1 450	1 666	1 610	1 755	1 882	1 854
Other manufacturing groups	9 452	9 025	8 793	8 982	8 394	9 227
Total	274 778	291 434	267 085	288 948	296 439	297 543

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

Manufacturing division and major group	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25
Food and beverages	-0,2	-2,8	3,7	5,5	10,3	6,7
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	-0,4	6,4	10,0	6,3	11,1	12,9
Dairy products	-2,4	8,7	1,1	-4,9	-7,2	-5,8
Grain mill products	3,0	16,4	3,9	9,0	5,6	3,9
Other food products	-8,0	-26,5	5,1	10,9	17,7	15,0
Beverages	6,0	-2,2	-4,2	1,0	12,4	-2,1
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	3,5	10,3	4,8	6,8	7,7	9,8
Textiles	2,6	-3,4	0,2	15,1	0,1	29,0
Other textile products	5,8	17,8	8,0	7,5	10,4	10,4
Knitted, crocheted articles	8,8	38,5	7,4	-6,3	-1,3	1,2
Wearing apparel	-1,6	6,9	7,3	7,8	5,4	5,9
Leather and leather products	2,5	7,1	-7,0	-2,4	26,3	0,4
Footwear	17,4	13,8	3,8	4,4	5,4	11,9
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	-3,0	-5,7	-10,5	-2,4	-0,7	-1,2
Sawmilling and planing of wood	-4,0	-11,0	-6,0	-6,2	-7,5	-9,5
Products of wood	14,5	13,1	-24,5	2,9	-7,7	-7,6
Paper and paper products	-8,4	-13,6	-6,9	0,4	3,9	4,7
Publishing	-5,8	2,0	0,9	-8,1	4,8	3,1
Printing, recorded media	7,5	10,0	-14,5	-11,6	-11,0	-11,6
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	-2,1	6,1	-5,3	4,8	2,6	4,5
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	-12,4	7,3	-5,4	17,7	10,6	8,2
Basic chemicals	3,3	6,3	-9,6	1,1	-11,3	-4,3
Other chemical products	8,5	7,1	-2,6	-1,8	3,0	10,8
Rubber products	-0,8	6,6	-8,4	-4,0	3,3	-6,9
Plastic products	-3,4	0,4	-4,2	-5,8	2,1	-3,5
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	-4,8	11,7	2,0	9,8	5,5	3,2
Glass and glass products	1,7	21,0	-1,4	10,6	-6,1	2,8
Non-metallic mineral products	-6,3	9,7	2,7	9,6	8,6	3,3
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	-7,3	-4,7	-14,2	-11,3	-2,9	-13,2
Basic iron and steel products	-24,6	-32,7	-27,2	-26,1	-12,6	-32,7
Non-ferrous metal products	-3,8	8,3	-10,6	-17,5	-9,0	-14,7
Structural metal products	-3,6	10,2	3,2	10,4	-0,9	-6,8
Other fabricated metal products	-6,1	6,5	-10,5	-2,0	6,1	-1,4
General purpose machinery	7,9	-0,4	-11,5	-0,6	17,8	-2,1
Special purpose machinery	-2,1	-10,0	-21,1	-1,3	-1,9	-8,6
Household appliances	9,6	7,3	-4,2	0,3	3,4	6,0
Electrical machinery	-7,5	-10,4	-13,6	-4,6	3,6	-2,9
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	4,1	1,6	-7,8	4,4	6,2	0,2
Radio, television and communication apparatus	2,2	4,1	0,5	11,2	10,6	3,6
Professional equipment	5,6	-0,2	-13,8	-2,1	1,7	-3,1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	-12,2	1,6	-21,7	-10,1	-2,2	-0,1
Motor vehicles	-4,0	7,8	-25,3	-12,4	-6,1	-3,7
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	-13,3	4,4	-11,9	-12,4	0,4	9,1
Parts and accessories	-32,8	-13,1	-12,9	-4,2	9,1	9,1
Other transport equipment	-4,0	-2,9	-15,8	-6,7	4,0	5,1
Furniture and other manufacturing	8,9	11,5	0,4	10,7	5,8	3,9
Furniture	2,0	15,4	3,2	9,3	12,5	12,7
Other manufacturing groups	10,0	10,8	-0,1	11,0	4,4	2,3
Total	-4,2	0,0	-8,0	-1,3	2,6	-0,1

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

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

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

Manufacturing division and major group	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Month-on-month % change
Food and beverages	74 211	72 231	76 003	77 963	76 061	-2,4
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	21 515	22 418	22 375	22 464	22 840	1,7
Dairy products	6 494	6 145	5 942	5 778	5 901	2,1
Grain mill products	12 984	12 630	12 863	12 525	12 516	-0,1
Other food products	16 012	14 424	16 684	17 114	16 782	-1,9
Beverages	17 206	16 614	18 140	20 082	18 022	-10,3
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	6 669	6 738	6 670	6 737	6 889	2,3
Textiles	796	842	850	830	969	16,7
Other textile products	2 039	1 968	1 962	1 956	2 034	4,0
Knitted, crocheted articles	237	236	216	233	240	3,0
Wearing apparel	2 239	2 329	2 312	2 297	2 284	-0,6
Leather and leather products	565	594	580	685	614	-10,4
Footwear	792	769	751	736	748	1,6
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	18 083	18 214	18 368	18 758	18 564	-1,0
Sawmilling and planing of wood	1 118	1 208	1 178	1 161	1 149	-1,0
Products of wood	2 755	2 248	2 392	2 257	2 227	-1,3
Paper and paper products	9 726	10 317	10 502	10 961	10 758	-1,9
Publishing	1 383	1 422	1 381	1 472	1 518	3,1
Printing, recorded media	3 100	3 019	2 915	2 907	2 912	0,2
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	60 725	59 491	61 610	62 547	64 942	3,8
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	22 309	21 225	23 584	22 790	24 427	7,2
Basic chemicals	10 514	10 260	10 692	10 935	10 746	-1,7
Other chemical products	17 870	17 734	17 384	18 559	19 689	6,1
Rubber products	1 837	1 909	1 793	1 860	1 796	-3,4
Plastic products	8 194	8 363	8 157	8 403	8 285	-1,4
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	8 318	8 309	8 456	8 275	8 274	0,0
Glass and glass products	1 636	1 542	1 649	1 613	1 697	5,2
Non-metallic mineral products	6 683	6 768	6 807	6 662	6 577	-1,3
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	54 575	56 496	55 197	55 544	55 328	-0,4
Basic iron and steel products	8 962	9 614	10 105	9 753	9 228	-5,4
Non-ferrous metal products	17 496	17 487	16 150	16 947	17 131	1,1
Structural metal products	4 578	4 930	4 841	4 216	4 535	7,6
Other fabricated metal products	10 371	10 304	9 907	10 068	10 082	0,1
General purpose machinery	5 679	5 890	5 682	6 253	6 161	-1,5
Special purpose machinery	6 342	7 104	7 340	7 091	6 876	-3,0
Household appliances	1 147	1 167	1 173	1 215	1 316	8,3
Electrical machinery	6 107	6 475	6 489	6 733	6 641	-1,4
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	2 367	2 407	2 569	2 559	2 356	-7,9
Radio, television and communication apparatus	1 150	1 202	1 402	1 371	1 223	-10,8
Professional equipment	1 217	1 204	1 168	1 188	1 133	-4,6
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	43 618	42 661	42 889	45 737	44 774	-2,1
Motor vehicles	30 053	28 223	28 694	30 772	29 545	-4,0
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	1 166	1 188	1 022	1 051	1 277	21,5
Parts and accessories	9 390	10 280	10 273	10 816	10 840	0,2
Other transport equipment	3 008	2 971	2 899	3 098	3 112	0,5
Furniture and other manufacturing	10 662	10 772	10 862	10 578	10 837	2,4
Furniture	1 724	1 765	1 784	1 836	1 847	0,6
Other manufacturing groups	8 938	9 007	9 078	8 742	8 990	2,8
Total	285 335	283 794	289 114	295 432	294 666	-0,3

Explanatory notes

Introduction	1	Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly survey of the manufacturing industry, covering manufacturing enterprises. This statistical release contains the results of a sample drawn from the statistical business register (SBR), with enhanced coverage of South African businesses (see point 3). The release contains monthly indices of the volume of manufacturing production and monthly value of sales of manufactured products by division and major group.
	2	In accordance with international practice, the indices are usually re-based every five years to a new base year. The current base period of the index is 2019. Both estimated and seasonally adjusted figures are presented.
	3	Stats SA is continuously updating its SBR, based on units registered for value-added tax (VAT) and income tax (IT) obtained from the South African Revenue Service (SARS).
Purpose of the survey	4	The results of the monthly manufacturing production and sales survey are used to calculate the volume of manufacturing production indices in order to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and its components, which in turn are used to develop and monitor government policy. These indices provide an indicator of the real level of manufacturing activity in the economy.
Special Data Dissemination Standard of the IMF	5	The data in this statistical release adhere to the Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), which sets out standards on coverage, periodicity and timeliness of data, access by the public, integrity, and quality of the disseminated data.
Scope of the survey	6	This survey covers manufacturing enterprises, i.e. those conducting activities in: - the manufacturing, processing, making or packing of products; - the slaughtering of animals, including poultry; and - installation, assembly, completion, repair and related work.
Classification	7	The 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02, was used to classify the statistical units in the survey. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions. Each enterprise is classified to an industry which reflects its predominant activity. Statistics in this publication are presented at SIC division (two-digit) and major group (three-digit) level.
Collection rate	8	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on manufacturing production and sales was 69,7% for July 2025. The collection rate for June 2025 for the new sample was 72,8%.
Statistical unit	9	The statistical unit for which information is compiled and published is an enterprise, defined as a legal unit or a combination of legal units that includes and directly controls all functions necessary to carry out its production activities. The statistical units are derived from and linked to the South African Revenue Service (SARS) administrative data.

Revised figures

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

Statistical release	Reason for revision	Period subject to revision
Jul-25	Additional information from respondents New sample	Jan-98 - Jun-25
Aug-25	Additional information from respondents	May-25 - Jul-25
Sep-25	Additional information from respondents New weights for manufacturing production	Jan-22 - Aug-25
Oct-25	Additional information from respondents	Jul-25 - Sep-25
Nov-25	Additional information from respondents	Aug-25 - Oct-25
Dec-25	Additional information from respondents	Sep-25 - Nov-25
Jan-26	Additional information from respondents	Oct-25 - Dec-25
Feb-26	Additional information from respondents	Nov-25 - Jan-26
Mar-26	Additional information from respondents	Dec-25 - Feb-26
Apr-26	Additional information from respondents	Jan-26 - Mar-26
May-26	Additional information from respondents	Feb-26 - Apr-26
Jun-26	Additional information from respondents	Mar-26 - May-26
New base year in 2027/28 - periodic, approximately four- to five-year intervals		

Related publications

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

Rounding-off of figures

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

Historical data

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

Past publications

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

Technical notes**Survey methodology and design**

- 1** The survey is conducted monthly. Questionnaires are sent to a sample of 3 011 enterprises from a population of 27 305 manufacturing enterprises. Completed questionnaires are required to be returned to Stats SA within 10 days after the end of the reference month. Email and telephone reminders are used to follow up on non-respondents.
- 2** A stratified random sample was drawn at the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) three-digit level in April 2025 from Stats SA's statistical business register (SBR). Strata were formed using a combination of the SIC and the measure of size classes for enterprises (see point 3 on the following page).

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

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

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

Class limits

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

Measure of size classes (Rand)

Enterprise size	Size group	Lower limit	Upper limit
Very small	4	3 984 745	27 500 000
Small	3	27 500 001	71 500 000
Medium	2	71 500 001	280 500 000
Large	1	280 500 001	

Sample weighting

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

Index of the volume of manufacturing production

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

Calculation of production index

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

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

Index weighting

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

Period	Source
1998 to 2000	1996 Census of manufacturing
2001 to 2004	2001 LSS
2005 to 2009	2005 LSS
2010 to 2025	National accounts

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

Table G – Weights by division and major group

Manufacturing division and major group	Weights used for manufacturing indices by period			
	2018 (based on value added for 2016 – 2018)	2019 (based on value added for 2017 – 2019)	2020 (based on value added for 2018 – 2020)	2021 – 2025 (based on value added for 2019 – 2021)
Food and beverages	20,18	20,75	21,44	22,07
Meat, fish, fruit, etc.	2,95	3,27	3,42	3,53
Dairy products	1,34	1,39	1,47	1,48
Grain mill products	1,69	1,68	1,85	2,01
Other food products	7,76	7,75	7,81	7,61
Beverages	6,44	6,66	6,89	7,44
Textiles, clothing, leather and footwear	4,38	4,26	4,07	3,89
Textiles	1,10	1,08	1,04	0,96
Other textile products	0,65	0,61	0,58	0,55
Knitted, crocheted articles	0,06	0,06	0,06	0,06
Wearing apparel	2,04	1,98	1,88	1,83
Leather and leather products	0,28	0,27	0,26	0,24
Footwear	0,25	0,25	0,25	0,25
Wood and wood products, paper, publishing and printing	10,77	10,63	10,48	10,29
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,93	0,87	0,86	0,83
Products of wood	0,87	0,88	0,90	0,93
Paper and paper products	5,39	5,34	5,26	5,18
Publishing	2,24	2,18	2,10	2,02
Printing, recorded media	1,34	1,35	1,36	1,33
Petroleum, chemical products, rubber and plastic products	25,38	24,95	24,86	24,38
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	12,02	11,85	11,92	11,63
Basic chemicals	3,69	3,50	3,39	3,35
Other chemical products	6,54	6,64	6,82	6,81
Rubber products	0,84	0,76	0,68	0,65
Plastic products	2,29	2,20	2,05	1,94
Glass and non-metallic mineral products	3,42	3,24	3,10	3,06
Glass and glass products	0,51	0,49	0,48	0,50
Non-metallic mineral products	2,91	2,75	2,62	2,56
Basic iron and steel, non-ferrous metal products, metal products and machinery	19,47	19,73	19,96	20,86
Basic iron and steel products	2,82	2,92	2,92	3,18
Non-ferrous metal products (including precious metals)	3,26	3,32	3,54	3,98
Structural metal products	1,98	1,99	2,01	2,01
Other fabricated metal products	3,35	3,53	3,65	3,74
General purpose machinery	3,46	3,42	3,45	3,52
Special purpose machinery	3,87	3,85	3,73	3,77
Household appliances	0,73	0,70	0,66	0,66
Electrical machinery	2,31	2,21	2,14	2,09
Radio, television and communication apparatus and professional equipment	1,21	1,07	1,06	1,06
Radio, television and communication apparatus	0,13	0,04	0,08	0,16
Professional equipment	1,08	1,03	0,98	0,90
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories and other transport equipment	8,66	8,89	8,72	8,21
Motor vehicles	2,65	2,78	2,62	2,39
Bodies for motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	0,71	0,73	0,75	0,72
Parts and accessories	3,93	3,97	4,03	3,96
Other transport equipment	1,37	1,40	1,32	1,14
Furniture and other manufacturing	4,21	4,27	4,17	4,09
Furniture	0,86	0,78	0,69	0,70
Other manufacturing groups	3,35	3,49	3,48	3,39
Total	100	100	100	100

Seasonal adjustment 10 Seasonally adjusted estimates are generated each month, using the X-12 Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by the United States Census Bureau. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences, which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. This means the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for manufacturing production and sales is described in more detail on the Stats SA website:
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Trend cycle 11 The trend is the long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12 Seasonal Adjustment Programme is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted estimates to estimates of the underlying trend.

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

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

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

Estimates of total industry sales within 95% confidence limits – July 2025

	Lower limit (R million)	Estimate (R million)	Upper limit (R million)	Relative standard error (RSE) %
Total sales	294 108	297 543	300 979	0,6

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

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

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

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

Glossary

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