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Consumer inflation inches higher



Rising meat prices continue to cause pain (click <u>here</u> to read more).

Business liquidations increase in June



The number of closures rose by 7,4% year-on-year.
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Economic wrap-up for July 2025



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Monthly economic indicators

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	y/y percentage change			m/m percentage change			3-month	ABOUT
	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Mar-May	The indicators shown
Mining production 🖍	-2,4	-7,7	0,2	3,9	0,0	3,7	2,6	here provide an overview of how various sectors of South Africa's economy are performing Click on an indicator name to access the complete report on Stats SA's website y/y = year-on-year m/m = month-on-month 3-month = percentage change between the previous 3 months (December–February) and the latest 3 months (March–May)
Manufacturing production 📶	-0,8	-6,4	0,5	-2,4	1,7	2,0	-0,3	
Electricity generation 🔏	1,2	0,1	2,3	1,0	0,2	1,5	-0,1	
Buildings completed (value)	8,2	-13,8	19,3	-4,2	12,6	16,2	4,8	
Wholesale trade sales 📜	-1,7	-5,6	-4,3	0,1	1,6	-2,1	-1,0	
Retail trade sales	1,2	5,2	4,2	-0,3	1,1	0,1	0,0	
Motor trade sales 🥽	3,4	0,2	4,7	1,4	-0,1	0,2	0,9	
Income from tourist accommodation	5,7	14,3	12,1	-1,4	3,1	3,8	2,2	
Restaurants, catering & fast-food income	1,3	7,2	4,5	2,7	0,5	1,4	3,5	
Rail transport: Freight payload 皇	4,2	7,8	1,7	0,0	0,0	-2,0	0,3	
Road transport: Freight payload 📮	-5,4	-8,3	-4,7	-1,5	-1,4	-0,7	-1,5	
Rail transport: Passenger journeys 📋	64,5	51,7	59,7	4,4	2,3	2,7	3,0	
Road transport: Passenger journeys 🗐	0,3	-9,3	-3,9	4,1	-2,6	-0,1	-0,2	
	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25		
Consumer Price Index (CPI)	2,8	2,8	3,0	0,3	0,2	0,3		
Producer Price Index (PPI) 🖏	0,5	0,1	0,6	0,5	-0,3	0,2		

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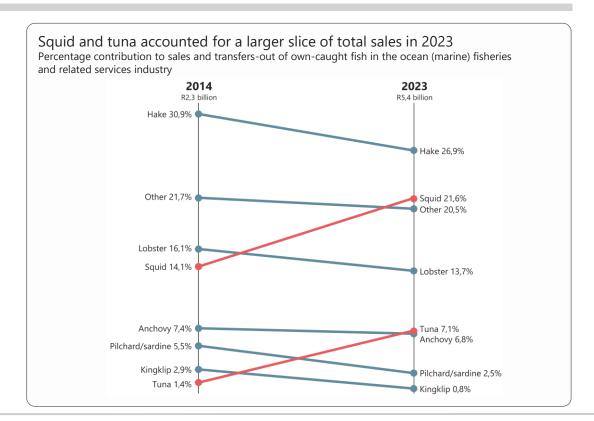
Hake generated over a quarter of total sales of caught fish in 2023, followed by squid, lobster, tuna and anchovy.

South African hake is widely distributed as a food source. The fish accounts for 0,8% of total household spending on food, according to the consumer inflation basket. This is higher than other food items such as beef steak, sausages and meat patties.

Although hake lost some market share between 2014 and 2023 it doubled the value of income it generated, from R0,7 billion to R1,4 billion.

Squid and tuna have muscled their way up the rankings, bolstering their contributions to total sales. Both recorded notable increases in rand terms too.

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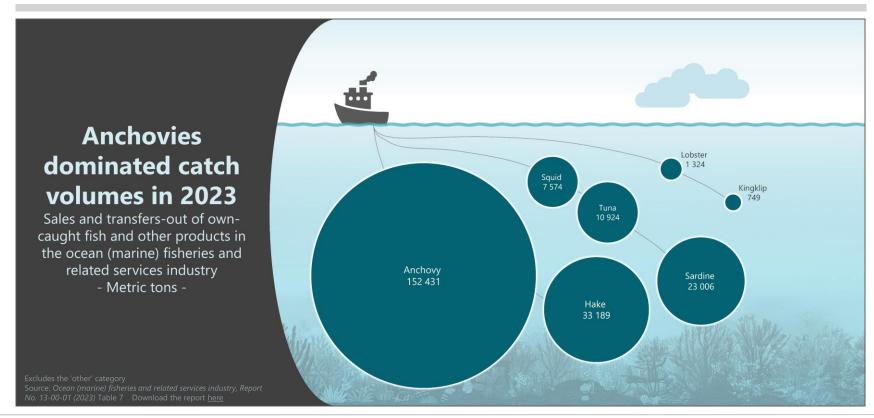
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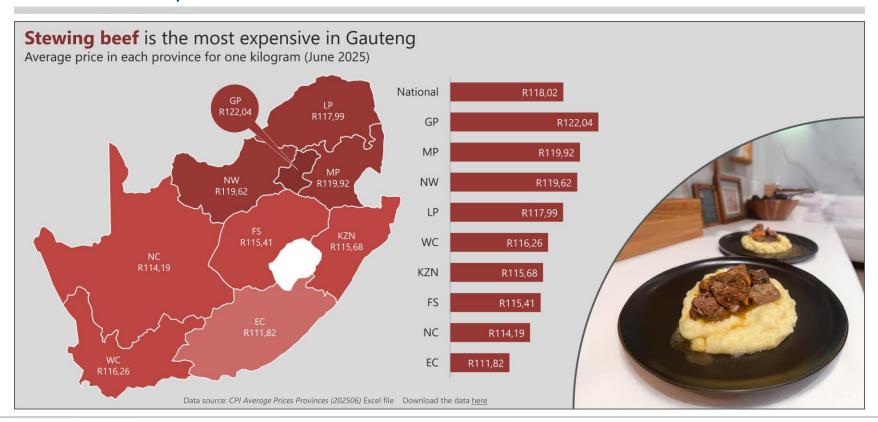
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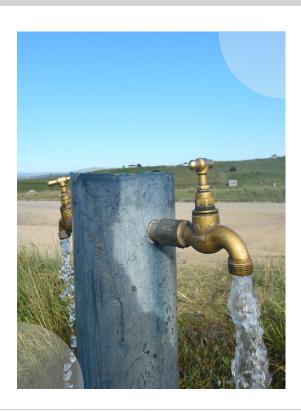
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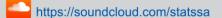


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