**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

 **QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**Question: 1993.**

**Mrs Hon N Ntlangwini (EFF) to ask the Minister of Trade and Industry:**

What are the top five products by category and rand value that South Africa imported in 2013, 2014, and 2015?

**Reply:**

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| **Category: Agriculture** | **2013** | **Category: Agriculture** | **2014** | **Category: Agriculture** | **2015** |
| **R'million** | **R'million** | **R'million** |
| Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed {kg} | 6,281 | Other Wheat and meslin | 5,004 | Other Wheat and meslin | 6,016 |
| Other Wheat and meslin: | 3,702 | Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed {kg} | 4,390 | Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed {kg} | 5,361 |
| Other Cuts and offal, frozen | 2,038 | Other Cuts and offal, frozen | 2,282 | Cuts and offal, frozen: | 1,763 |
| Mechanically deboned meat {u} | 712 | Mechanically deboned meat {u} | 728 | Other Maize (corn): | 1,673 |
| Of barley {kg} | 591 | Sunflower seeds, whether or not broken {kg} | 632 | Other Live bovine animals | 1,063 |

The top five products by categories and rand value imported are as follows:

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| **Category: Fishing** | **2013** | **Category: Fishing** | **2014** | **Category: Fishing** | **2015** |
| **R'million** | **R'million** | **R'million** |
| Other shrimps and prawns {kg} | 508 | Other shrimps and prawns | 551 | Other shrimps and prawns | 486 |
| Hake (merluccius spp, urophycis spp) {kg} | 224 | Jack and horse mackerel (trachurus spp) {kg} | 313 | Jack and horse mackerel (trachurus spp) {kg} | 410 |
| Jack and horse mackerel (trachurus spp) {kg} | 208 | Other Fish, frozen (excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading 0304) | 243 | Other Fish, frozen (excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading 0304): | 315 |
| Other Molluscs, whether in shell or not, live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted or in brine; smoked molluscs | 141 | Other Molluscs, whether in shell or not, live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted or in brine; smoked molluscs | 215 | Sardines (sardina pilchardus, sardinops spp), sardinella (sardinella spp), brisling or sprats (sprattus sprattus) {kg} | 275 |
| Other Fish, frozen (excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading 0304): | 138 | Hake (merluccius spp, urophycis spp) {kg} | 197 | Other {kg} or Molluscs, whether in shell or not, live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted or in brine; smoked molluscs | 252 |

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| **Category: Mineral products** | **2013** | **Category: Mineral products** | **2014** | **Category: Mineral products** | **2015** |
| **R'million** | **R'million** | **R'million** |
| Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude | 142,050 | Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude | 175,840 | Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude | 98,451 |
| Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excluding crude) | 62,574 | Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excluding crude) | 63,309 | Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (excluding crude) | 59,296 |
| Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons | 3,089 | Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons: | 4,579 | Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons: | 4,413 |
| Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal | 2,839 | Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal: | 2,864 | Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal: | 2,632 |
| Electrical energy 1000 kwh | 1,500 | Electrical energy 1000 kwh | 2,358 | Electrical energy 1000 kwh | 2,603 |

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| **Category: Forestry** | **2013** | **Category: Forestry** | **2014** | **Category: Forestry** | **2015** |
| **R'million** | **R'million** | **R'million** |
| Other live plants (including their roots), cuttings and slips; mushroom spawn | 53 | Other live plants (including their roots), cuttings and slips; mushroom spawn | 60 | Other live plants (including their roots), cuttings and slips; mushroom spawn | 61 |
| Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant {u} | 35 | Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant {u} | 35 | Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant {u} | 36 |
| Other plants and Unrooted cuttings and slips {u} | 29 | Other plants and Unrooted cuttings and slips {u} | 28 | Other plants and Unrooted cuttings and slips {u} | 27 |
| Other {kg} or Cut flowers and flower buds of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached | 17 | Cut flowers and flower buds of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached | 16 | Roses {kg} | 18 |
| Roses {kg} | 14 | Roses {kg} | 15 | Other Cut flowers and flower buds of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached | 18 |

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| **Category: Manufacturing** | **2013** | **Category: Manufacturing** | **2014** | **Category: Manufacturing** | **2015** |
| **R'million** | **R'million** | **R'million** |
| Machinery and Equipments | 249,936 | Machinery and Equipments | 254,208 | Machinery and Equipments | 277,722 |
| Petroleum Products | 212,143 | Petroleum Products | 249,404 | Petroleum Products | 167,697 |
| Chemicals | 92,594 | Chemicals | 101,459 | Chemicals | 111,975 |
| Vehicles | 88,509 | Vehicles | 88,866 | Vehicles | 91,389 |
| Metal Products | 30,196 | Clothing | 32,272 | Metal Products | 39,007 |