

Namibia Statistics
Agency

## BEVERAGES

 November 2023

Chart 1: Beverage Production Composite Index, Percentage Change


- The Composite Beverage Production Index consisting of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages for November 2023 recorded an increase of 21.3 percent, compared an increase of 9.7 percent recorded in October 2023. Moreover, the index increased by 1.3 percent on an annual basis (Chart 1).
- The increase in the monthly index was recorded in both production indices of alcoholic beverages and non-alcoholic.
- During the period under review, beverage production stood at 332971 hectolitres, which is an increase from 274506 hectolitres recorded in October 2023 and 328805 hectolitres recorded in November 2022.

Chart 2: Alcoholic Beverage Production Index, Percentage Change


- The Alcoholic Beverage Production Index in November 2023 recorded a monthly increase of 29.8 percent, compared to an increase of 10.2 percent recorded a month earlier. However, on annual basis the index declined by 6.7 percent (Chart 2).
- The production of alcoholic beverages in November 2023 was 192982 hectolitres up from 148639 hectolitres registered in October 2023, and a decline when compared to 206738 hectolitres recorded in the corresponding period of 2022.

Chart 3: Non-Alcoholic Beverage Production Index, Percentage Change


- For the period under review, the Non-Alcoholic Beverage Production Index recorded a monthly growth of 11.2 percent compared to a decline of 9.0 percent recorded in the preceding month. Similarly, the index registered an increase of 14.7 percent year-on-year (Chart 3).
- A total of 139989 hectolitres of non-alcoholic beverages was produced in November 2023, an increase from 125867 hectolitres and 122067 hectolitres that were recorded in October 2023 and November 2022, respectively.

Chart 4: Beverage Export Composite Index, Percentage Change ${ }^{1}$


- The Beverage Export Composite Index for November 2023 on a monthly basis recorded a growth of 22.4 percent, a slowdown when compared to a growth of 74.3 percent recorded in the preceding month. However, the index recorded a decline of 30.7 percent annually (Chart 4).
- During the month under review, 32295 hectolitres of beverages were exported compared to 26383 hectolitres and 46593 hectolitres that were registered in October 2023 and November 2022, respectively.
- For the same period, Namibia exported 32053 hectolitres of alcoholic beverages, of which beer accounted for a share of 93.0 percent ( 29824 hectolitres).

[^0]Chart 5: Export of Beverages by Partner Country, Percentage Share


- South Africa (80.5\%) was the top export destination for beverages during November 2023, followed by Tanzania (11.7\%) in second place, Zambia (3.1\%) in third place and Democratic Republic of Congo in fourth position with a share of 2.8 percent (Chart 5).

Chart 6: Beverage Import Composite Index, Percentage Change


- The Beverage Import Composite Index for November 2023 recorded a monthly growth of 9.0 percent compared to a growth of 40.2 percent recorded in the preceding month. In contrast, the index declined by 11.4 percent annually (Chart 6).
- For the period under review, Namibia imported 128368 hectolitres of beverages as opposed to 117766 hectolitres registered in October 2023 and 144860 hectolitres noted in November 2022.

Chart 7: Import of Beverages by Partner Country, Percentage Share


- During the month under review, South Africa remained the top primary source of beverages with a share of 98.3 percent, followed by Austria ( $0.7 \%$ ). Switzerland and Netherlands accounted for a share of 0.1 percent each (Chart 7).

Table 1: Beverages Production Index

| Year | Month | Alcoholic Beverages production index | NonAlcoholic Beverages production index | Composite production Index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2020 | Jan | 139.5 | 72.6 | 116.0 |
|  | Feb | 97.7 | 102.6 | 99.4 |
|  | Mar | 109.6 | 127.1 | 115.8 |
|  | Apr | 8.6 | 97.4 | 39.9 |
|  | May | 16.9 | 128.7 | 56.2 |
|  | Jun | 63.3 | 141.3 | 90.8 |
|  | Jul | 87.3 | 84.0 | 86.2 |
|  | Aug | 71.4 | 94.3 | 79.5 |
|  | Sep | 98.9 | 87.8 | 95.0 |
|  | Oct | 109.9 | 231.0 | 152.6 |
|  | Nov | 126.7 | 172.5 | 142.8 |
|  | Dec | 146.3 | 206.7 | 167.6 |
| 2021 | Jan | 100.7 | 114.4 | 105.5 |
|  | Feb | 86.2 | 68.6 | 80.0 |
|  | Mar | 109.2 | 153.2 | 124.7 |
|  | Apr | 104.5 | 88.4 | 98.8 |
|  | May | 91.4 | 43.6 | 74.6 |
|  | Jun | 98.5 | 71.9 | 89.1 |
|  | Jul | 71.4 | 44.9 | 62.0 |
|  | Aug | 104.8 | 122.4 | 111.0 |
|  | Sep | 119.9 | 153.8 | 131.8 |
|  | Oct | 128.2 | 147.8 | 135.1 |
|  | Nov | 133.9 | 178.6 | 149.6 |
|  | Dec | 114.3 | 168.1 | 133.3 |

Table 1: Beverages Production Index continued...

| Year | Month | Alcoholic Beverages production index | Non- <br> Alcoholic Beverages production index | Composite production Index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2022 | Jan | 124.6 | 98.9 | 115.6 |
|  | Feb | 72.4 | 146.4 | 98.5 |
|  | Mar | 134.9 | 160.0 | 143.8 |
|  | Apr | 90.1 | 102.7 | 94.5 |
|  | May | 115.4 | 99.4 | 109.8 |
|  | Jun | 128.1 | 116.5 | 124.0 |
|  | Jul | 116.8 | 123.1 | 119.0 |
|  | Aug | 119.4 | 69.3 | 101.7 |
|  | Sep | 116.2 | 207.3 | 148.3 |
|  | Oct | 134.7 | 127.5 | 132.1 |
|  | Nov | 122.4 | 133.0 | 126.1 |
|  | Dec | 126.3 | 215.1 | 157.6 |
| 2023 | Jan | 84.0 | 125.1 | 98.5 |
|  | Feb | 82.2 | 100.6 | 88.6 |
|  | Mar | 93.2 | 179.9 | 123.8 |
|  | Apr | 93.9 | 135.3 | 108.5 |
|  | May | 80.0 | 142.8 | 102.2 |
|  | Jun | 81.3 | 100.8 | 88.2 |
|  | Jul | 62.9 | 108.0 | 78.8 |
|  | Aug | 91.2 | 166.6 | 117.8 |
|  | Sep | 79.9 | 125.7 | 96.0 |
|  | Oct | 88.0 | 137.1 | 105.3 |
|  | Nov | 114.3 | 152.5 | 127.7 |

Table 2: Index for Export and import of Beverages

| Year | Month | Alcoholic <br> Beverage <br> Export | Non- <br> alcoholic <br> Beverage <br> Export | Composite export index | Alcoholic Beverage Import | Nonalcoholic Beverage Import | Composite <br> import <br> index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2020 | Jan | 102.5 | 124.0 | 103.3 | 43.4 | 294.3 | 78.5 |
|  | Feb | 56.9 | 101.5 | 58.5 | 40.6 | 440.0 | 96.5 |
|  | Mar | 36.3 | 77.7 | 37.8 | 136.0 | 309.6 | 160.3 |
|  | Apr | 0.0 | 24.2 | 0.9 | 2.1 | 284.9 | 41.7 |
|  | May | 1.5 | 28.3 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 188.4 | 28.4 |
|  | Jun | 19.2 | 44.4 | 20.1 | 45.8 | 236.8 | 72.5 |
|  | Jul | 10.9 | 50.0 | 12.3 | 46.7 | 143.8 | 60.3 |
|  | Aug | 8.9 | 91.0 | 12.0 | 75.1 | 267.0 | 101.9 |
|  | Sep | 21.2 | 85.1 | 23.6 | 51.0 | 303.3 | 86.3 |
|  | Oct | 26.9 | 94.4 | 29.4 | 68.3 | 506.3 | 129.6 |
|  | Nov | 47.4 | 80.9 | 48.7 | 83.1 | 443.7 | 133.5 |
|  | Dec | 55.7 | 50.5 | 55.5 | 75.7 | 479.3 | 132.2 |
| 2021 | Jan | 26.7 | 78.9 | 28.7 | 63.5 | 278.0 | 93.5 |
|  | Feb | 63.3 | 114.6 | 65.2 | 35.7 | 319.2 | 75.4 |
|  | Mar | 60.1 | 31.9 | 59.0 | 45.8 | 313.4 | 83.2 |
|  | Apr | 64.7 | 22.2 | 63.1 | 42.3 | 477.3 | 103.2 |
|  | May | 29.8 | 5.1 | 28.8 | 47.7 | 906.5 | 167.8 |
|  | Jun | 48.9 | 31.0 | 48.2 | 56.7 | 619.6 | 135.4 |
|  | Jul | 11.8 | 12.8 | 11.8 | 49.1 | 174.7 | 66.7 |
|  | Aug | 55.4 | 23.0 | 54.2 | 59.0 | 239.8 | 84.3 |
|  | Sep | 75.6 | 21.0 | 73.5 | 63.5 | 352.4 | 103.9 |
|  | Oct | 60.7 | 39.3 | 59.9 | 71.4 | 464.5 | 126.4 |
|  | Nov | 49.6 | 28.1 | 48.8 | 69.6 | 577.4 | 140.6 |
|  | Dec | 42.8 | 27.9 | 42.2 | 60.4 | 299.0 | 93.8 |

Table 2: Index for Export and import of Beverages continued...

| Year | Month | Alcoholic <br> Beverage Export | Non- <br> alcoholic <br> Beverage <br> Export | Composite export index | Alcoholic <br> Beverage <br> Import | Non- <br> alcoholic <br> Beverage <br> Import | Composite <br> import <br> index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2022 | Jan | 85.5 | 18.0 | 83.0 | 360.6 | 399.3 | 366.0 |
|  | Feb | 67.1 | 13.2 | 65.0 | 47.4 | 298.9 | 82.6 |
|  | Mar | 52.6 | 6.7 | 50.9 | 46.9 | 468.3 | 105.9 |
|  | Apr | 23.3 | 1.3 | 22.5 | 52.5 | 419.7 | 103.9 |
|  | May | 53.7 | 2.3 | 51.8 | 53.3 | 284.5 | 85.6 |
|  | Jun | 102.5 | 4.7 | 98.9 | 59.0 | 348.8 | 99.5 |
|  | Jul | 92.5 | 6.8 | 89.3 | 69.9 | 276.5 | 98.8 |
|  | Aug | 75.4 | 7.9 | 72.8 | 63.2 | 495.4 | 123.6 |
|  | Sep | 58.3 | 4.6 | 56.3 | 87.5 | 434.7 | 136.0 |
|  | Oct | 74.4 | 96.1 | 75.2 | 85.3 | 607.5 | 158.3 |
|  | Nov | 49.0 | 38.9 | 48.6 | 77.5 | 618.5 | 153.2 |
|  | Dec | 59.3 | 13.1 | 57.6 | 68.5 | 590.8 | 141.6 |
| 2023 | Jan | 34.3 | 11.6 | 33.5 | 57.2 | 287.0 | 89.3 |
|  | Feb | 31.4 | 14.3 | 30.7 | 70.8 | 309.3 | 104.1 |
|  | Mar | 22.2 | 73.0 | 24.1 | 51.8 | 373.1 | 96.8 |
|  | Apr | 41.2 | 9.3 | 40.0 | 51.6 | 287.5 | 84.6 |
|  | May | 24.8 | 12.1 | 24.3 | 69.4 | 235.8 | 92.7 |
|  | Jun | 23.1 | 12.4 | 22.7 | 58.4 | 243.5 | 84.3 |
|  | Jul | 20.1 | 14.6 | 19.9 | 48.6 | 260.8 | 78.3 |
|  | Aug | 7.0 | 10.9 | 7.1 | 49.5 | 301.1 | 84.7 |
|  | Sep | 16.3 | 3.0 | 15.8 | 39.2 | 393.6 | 88.8 |
|  | Oct | 28.3 | 7.5 | 27.5 | 76.4 | 420.3 | 124.5 |
|  | Nov | 34.7 | 6.7 | 33.7 | 80.9 | 473.0 | 135.8 |

## Methodology: <br> Graphical and tabular analysis

Data Sources: The data sources for volume in Hectolitres of beverage are sourced from Namibia Breweries, Coca-Cola Namibia Bottling Company, ABInBev Namibia (SAB Miller Namibia at Okahandja) and Trade data from NamRa. This is data on the production of alcoholic beverages (beer production) and non-alcoholic beverages (soft drinks). Alcoholic beverage production is the total of alcoholic beverages produced by Namibia Breweries and ABInBev Namibia. Whereas non-alcoholic beverage production data was a sum of soft drinks produced by Namibia Breweries and Namibia Beverages. The unit of measure is Hectolitre (hl).

Base year

## Index calculations:

## Conversion

The beverages sectoral report is harmonised with the quarterly and annual National Accounts base year 2015.

The index of beverage production was weighted using the volume data of 2015. The index is then calculated as a ratio of the volume of a specific component in a specific month to the total volume of that component in 2015.

1 basis point $=0.01$ percent

Revision:

Data was revised based on the new dataset received from the data sources.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Chart 4 is limited for better readability.

