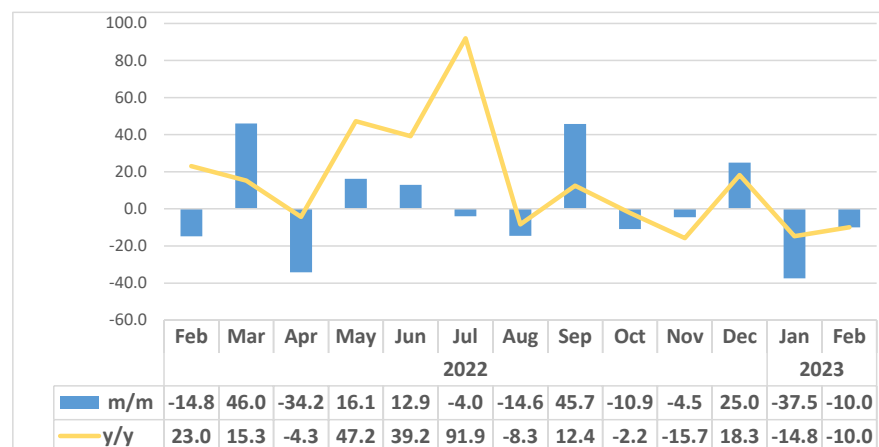


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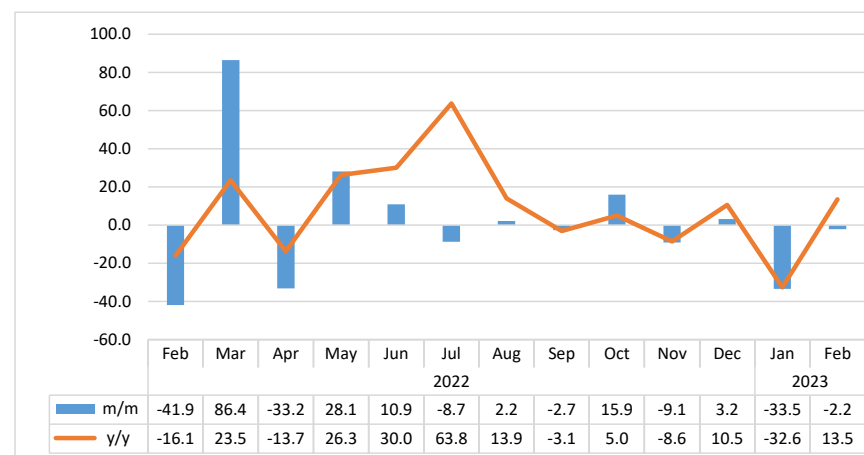


Chart 1: Beverage Production Composite Index, Percent



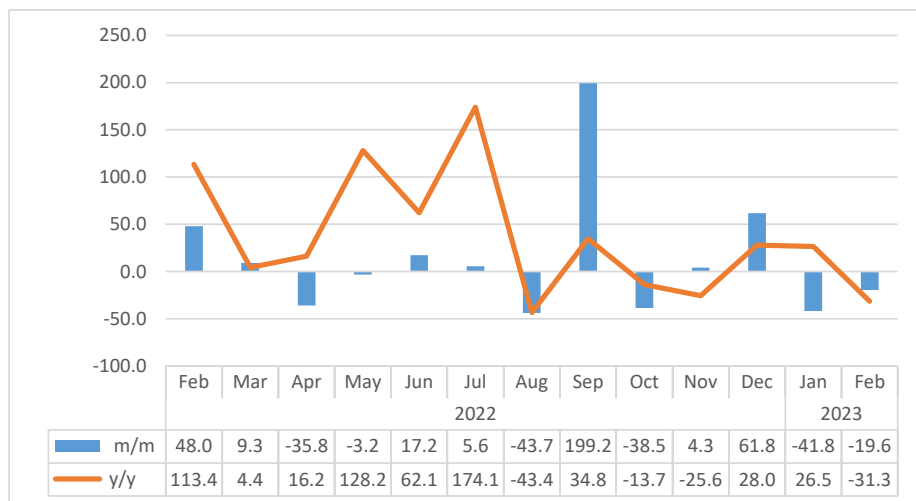
- The **Composite Production Index** for beverages consisting of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages for February 2023 recorded a decline of 10.0 percent monthly compared to decrease of 37.5 percent recorded in January 2023. Similarly, the index recorded a decline of 10.0 percent on an annual basis.
- The decline in the monthly index emanated from a reduction in the index of production for both alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages.
- A total of 231 106 hectolitres beverage production was recorded in February 2023, lower when compared to 256 779 hectolitres registered in January 2023 and a production of 256 655 hectolitres recorded in February 2022.

Chart 2: Alcoholic Beverage Production Index, Percent



- The **Alcoholic Beverage Production Index** recorded a monthly decline of 2.2 percent in February 2023 compared to a decline of 33.5 percent recorded a month earlier. However, the index increased by 13.5 percent on an annual basis (Chart 2).
- Production of alcoholic beverages in February 2023 stood at 138 783 hectolitres compared to 141 884 hectolitres and 122 235 hectolitres that was recorded in January 2023 and the corresponding period of 2022, respectively.

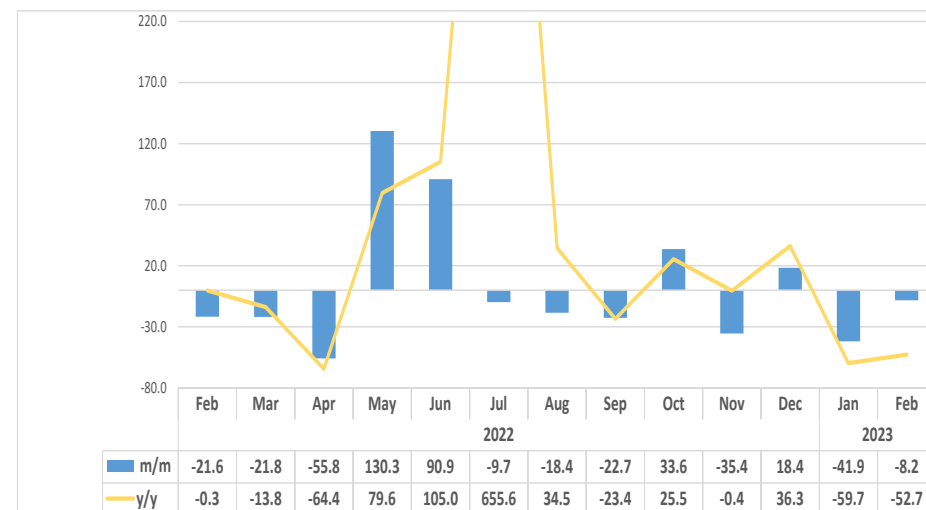
Chart 3: Non-Alcoholic Beverage Production Index, Percent



- The **Non-Alcoholic Beverage Production Index** registered a decline of 19.6 percent in February 2023, compared to a decline of 41.8 percent that was registered in the preceding month. Moreover, the index recorded a decrease of 31.3 percent year on year (Chart 3).
- The production of non-alcoholic beverages in February 2023 stood at 92 323 hectolitres compared to 114 895 hectolitres and 134 420 hectolitres recorded in January 2023 and February 2022, respectively.

¹ Chart 4 is limited for better readability.

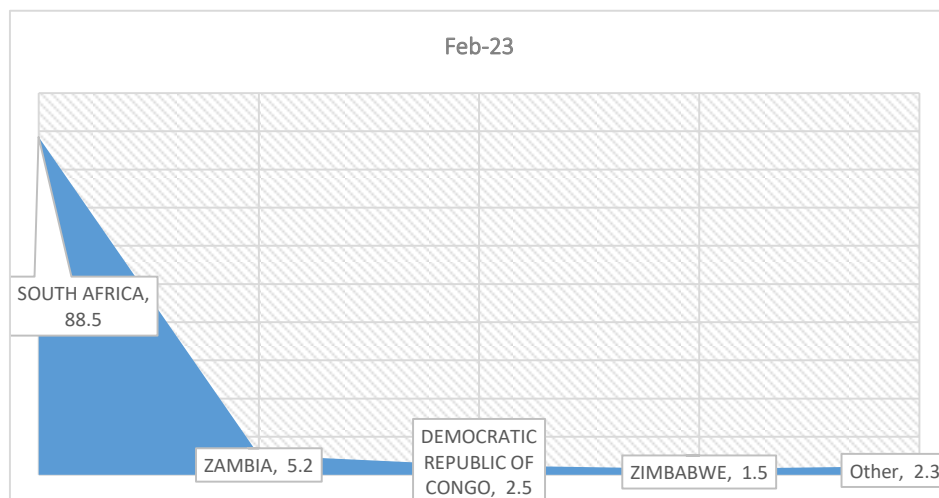
Chart 4: Beverage Export Composite Index, percent¹



- The **Beverage Export Composite Index** for February 2023 declined by 8.2 percent monthly compared to a decrease of 41.9 percent recorded in the preceding month. Moreover, the index recorded a decline of 52.7 percent on an annual basis.
- The monthly decline emanated from a decrease in the index of export for alcoholic beverages.
- A total of 29 462 hectolitres of beverages were exported during the month of February 2023 compared to 32 084 hectolitres and 62 337 hectolitres that were exported in January 2023 and the corresponding month of 2022, respectively.

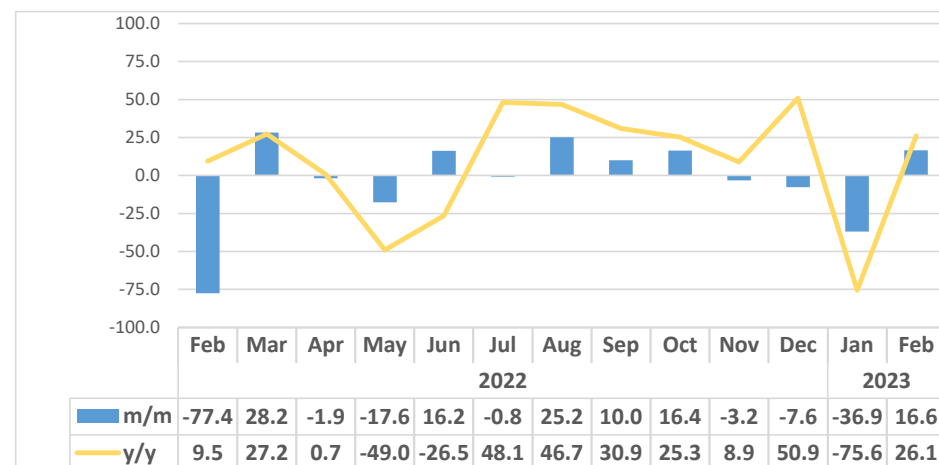
- Namibia exported 28 944 hectolitres of alcoholic beverages in February 2023, of which beer accounted for a share of 91.1 percent (26 358 hectolitres). Whereas the export of non-alcoholic beverages amounted to 518 hectolitres for the same period.

Chart 5: Export of Beverages by Partner Country, Percent



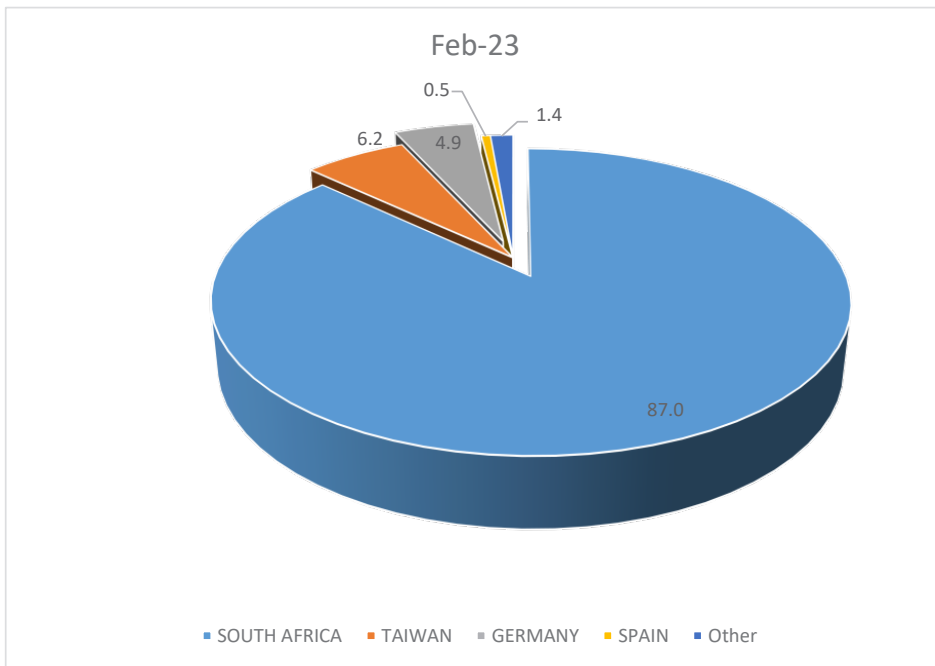
- South Africa (88.5%) was the top export destination for beverages, followed by Zambia (5.2%), Democratic Republic of Congo (2.5%) and Zimbabwe with a share of 1.5 percent (Chart 5).

Chart 6: Beverage Import Composite Index, Percent



- The **Beverage Import Composite Index** for February 2023 registered a monthly increase of 16.6 percent compared to a decline of 36.9 percent registered a month earlier. Additionally, the index registered an increase of 26.1 percent on a yearly basis.
- The monthly increase mainly resulted from increases of both the import of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages indices that went up by 23.8 percent and 7.8 percent, respectively.
- Namibia imported a total of 98 442 hectolitres of beverages during the month of February 2023, as opposed to the 84 445 hectolitres recorded in January 2023 and 78 061 hectolitres registered in the corresponding month of 2022.

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



- South Africa, Taiwan and Germany were the top three sources of import for beverages, claiming shares of 87.0 percent, 6.2 percent and 4.9 percent, respectively.

Table 1: Beverages Sector Index

Year	Month	Alcoholic Beverages	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	Composite Index	Total non-alcoholic Beverage Export	Total non-alcoholic Beverage Import	Total alcoholic Beverage Export	Total alcoholic Beverage Import
2018	Jan	87.9	86.3	87.3	11.8	287.8	45.9	317.2
	Feb	98.6	145.5	115.1	8.5	236.0	40.4	328.4
	Mar	131.0	129.3	130.4	23.2	317.3	54.7	109.0
	Apr	102.7	88.5	97.7	38.9	220.1	56.4	264.2
	May	101.2	110.0	104.3	36.4	6629.7	47.4	831.3
	Jun	105.6	95.6	102.1	79.9	306.0	63.4	511.8
	Jul	103.0	133.1	113.6	53.7	185.1	49.1	245.3
	Aug	124.4	109.3	119.1	36.4	341.0	49.4	302.3
	Sep	123.7	123.4	123.6	111.2	312.9	67.6	285.2
	Oct	120.7	174.4	139.6	102.9	449.7	70.0	1127.6
	Nov	148.5	201.3	167.1	210.3	879.1	71.5	311.0
	Dec	141.5	166.2	150.2	113.2	405.1	77.8	344.7
2019	Jan	106.6	123.6	112.6	296.5	599.9	52.6	621.1
	Feb	107.2	127.4	114.3	137.1	776.4	64.6	59.8
	Mar	118.7	127.5	121.8	77.4	684.0	57.4	47.7
	Apr	124.8	156.8	136.1	239.8	457.6	61.3	43.6
	May	126.3	113.5	121.8	642.3	595.9	72.2	51.3
	Jun	121.1	77.1	105.6	59.0	637.7	96.0	97.6
	Jul	116.3	92.9	108.1	171.0	361.6	58.5	108.4
	Aug	117.8	134.8	123.8	59.5	877.1	66.9	359.2
	Sep	142.0	141.4	141.8	103.3	593.3	71.6	52.7
	Oct	137.0	192.8	156.6	226.0	526.7	81.5	58.5
	Nov	144.7	177.5	156.3	259.3	913.3	76.6	82.4
	Dec	152.2	171.9	159.2	269.4	754.9	75.0	212.4
2020	Jan	139.5	72.6	116.0	124.0	294.3	102.5	43.4
	Feb	97.7	102.6	99.4	101.5	440.0	56.9	40.6
	Mar	109.6	127.1	115.8	77.7	309.6	36.3	136.0
	Apr	8.6	97.4	39.9	24.2	284.9	0.0	2.1
	May	16.9	128.7	56.2	28.3	188.4	1.5	2.3
	Jun	63.3	141.3	90.8	44.4	236.8	19.2	45.8
	Jul	87.3	84.0	86.2	50.0	143.8	10.9	46.7
	Aug	71.4	94.3	79.5	91.0	267.0	8.9	75.1
	Sep	98.9	87.8	95.0	85.1	303.3	21.2	51.0
	Oct	109.9	231.0	152.6	94.4	506.3	26.9	68.3
	Nov	126.7	172.5	142.8	80.9	443.7	47.4	83.1
	Dec	146.3	206.7	167.6	50.5	479.3	55.7	75.7

Table 1: Beverages Sector Index continued...

Year	Month	Alcoholic Beverages	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	Composite Index	Total non-alcoholic Beverage Export	Total non-alcoholic Beverage Import	Total alcoholic Beverage Export	Total alcoholic Beverage Import
2021	Jan	100.7	114.4	105.5	78.9	278.0	26.7	63.5
	Feb	86.2	68.6	80.0	114.6	319.2	63.3	35.7
	Mar	109.2	153.2	124.7	31.9	313.4	60.1	45.8
	Apr	104.5	88.4	98.8	22.2	477.3	64.7	42.3
	May	91.4	43.6	74.6	5.1	906.5	29.8	47.7
	Jun	98.5	71.9	89.1	31.0	619.6	48.9	56.7
	Jul	71.4	44.9	62.0	12.8	174.7	11.8	49.1
	Aug	104.8	122.4	111.0	23.0	239.8	55.4	59.0
	Sep	119.9	153.8	131.8	21.0	352.4	75.6	63.5
	Oct	128.2	147.8	135.1	39.3	464.5	60.7	71.4
	Nov	133.9	178.6	149.6	28.1	577.4	49.6	69.6
	Dec	114.3	168.1	133.3	27.9	299.0	42.8	60.4
2022	Jan	124.6	98.9	115.6	18.0	399.3	85.5	360.6
	Feb	72.4	146.4	98.5	13.2	298.9	67.1	47.4
	Mar	134.9	160.0	143.8	6.7	468.3	52.6	46.9
	Apr	90.1	102.7	94.5	1.3	419.7	23.3	52.5
	May	115.4	99.4	109.8	2.3	284.5	53.7	53.3
	Jun	128.1	116.5	124.0	4.7	348.8	102.5	59.0
	Jul	116.8	123.1	119.0	6.8	276.5	92.5	69.9
	Aug	119.4	69.3	101.7	7.9	495.4	75.4	63.2
	Sep	116.2	207.3	148.3	4.6	434.7	58.3	87.5
	Oct	134.7	127.5	132.1	96.1	607.5	74.4	85.3
	Nov	122.4	133.0	126.1	38.9	618.5	49.0	77.5
	Dec	126.3	215.1	157.6	13.1	590.8	59.3	68.5
2023	Jan	84.0	125.1	98.5	11.6	287.0	34.3	57.2
	Feb	82.2	100.6	88.6	14.3	309.3	31.4	70.7

Methodology:	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:	The beverages sectoral report is harmonised with the quarterly and annual National Accounts base year 2015.
Index calculations:	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.
Conversion:	1 basis point = 0.01 percent
Revision:	Data was revised based on the new dataset received from the data sources.