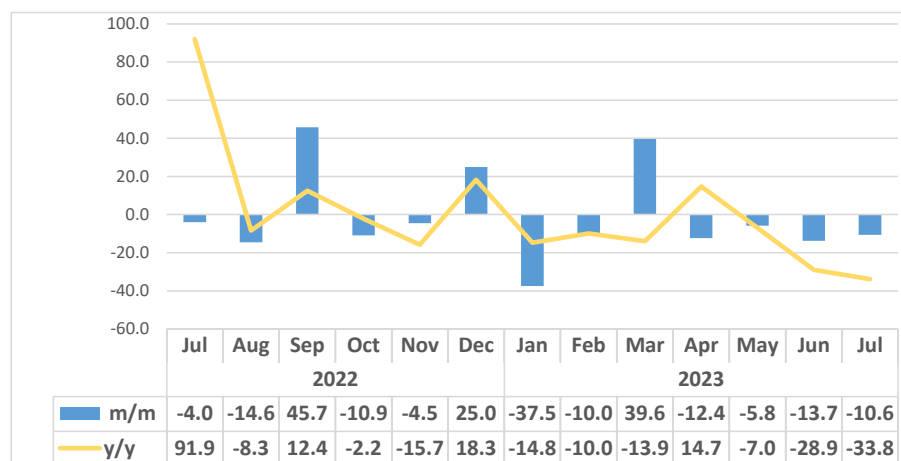


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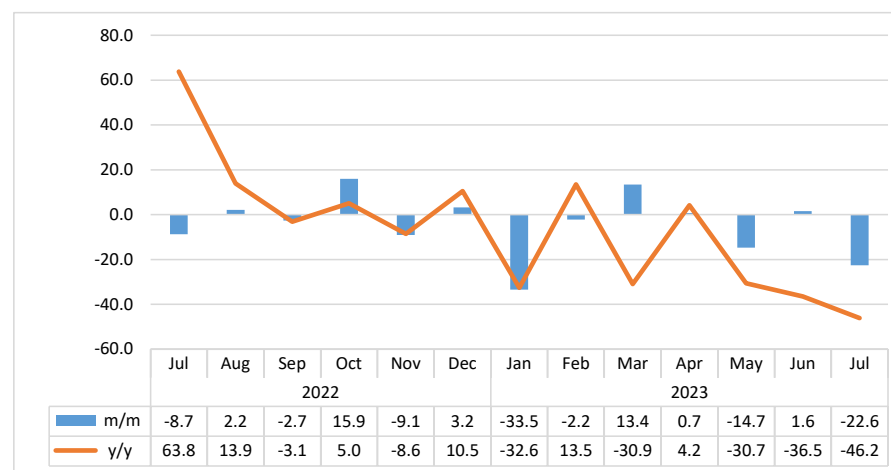


Chart 1: Beverage Production Composite Index, Percentage Change



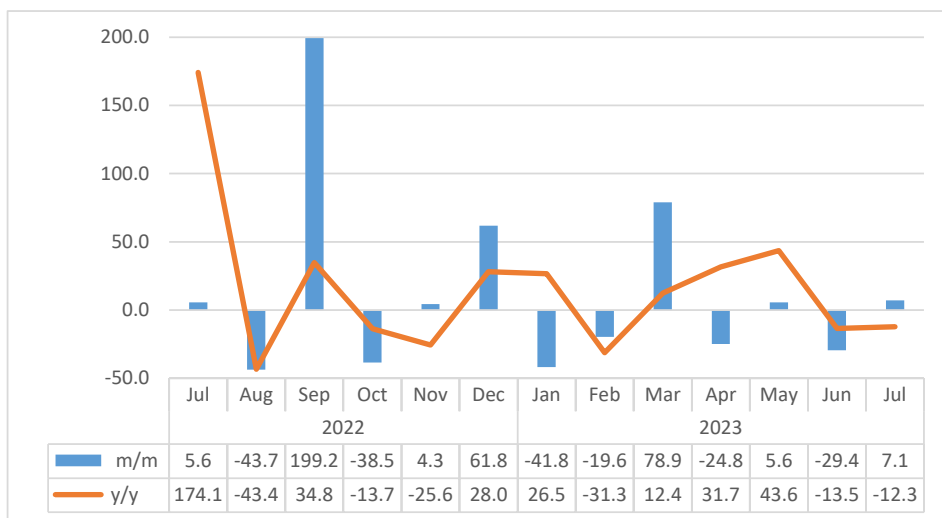
- The **Composite Beverage Production Index** for beverages consisting of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages for July 2023 recorded a decline of 10.6 percent monthly compared to a decline of 13.7 percent recorded in June 2023. Moreover, the index declined by 33.8 percent on an annual basis (Chart 1).
- The decline in the monthly index emanated from a drop in the production index of alcoholic beverages.
- A total of 205 413 hectolitres of beverage was produced in July 2023, a decrease when compared to 229 858 hectolitres recorded in June 2023 and 310 350 hectolitres recorded in July 2022.

Chart 2: Alcoholic Beverage Production Index, Percentage Change



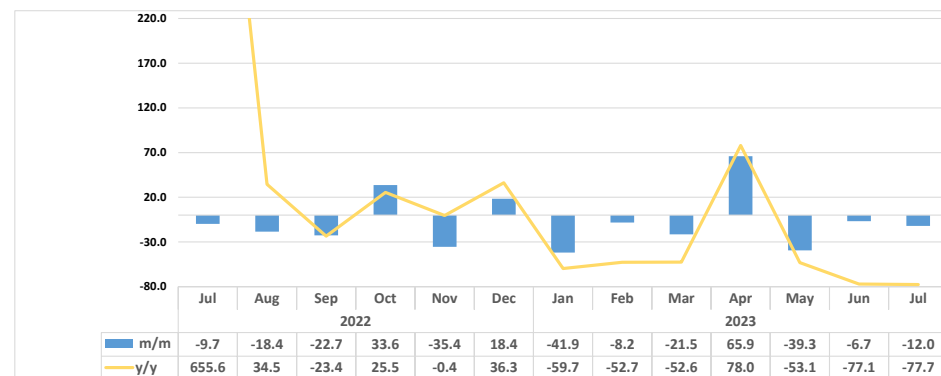
- The **Alcoholic Beverage Production Index** recorded a monthly decline of 22.6 percent in July 2023 compared to an increase of 1.6 percent recorded a month earlier. Additionally, the index declined by 46.2 percent on an annual basis (Chart 2).
- The production of alcoholic beverages in July 2023 stood at 106 261 hectolitres compared to 137 297 hectolitres and 197 338 hectolitres that was registered in June 2023 and the corresponding period of 2022, respectively.

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



- The **Non-Alcoholic Beverage Production Index** registered a monthly increase of 7.1 percent in July 2023, compared to a decline of 29.4 percent that was recorded in the preceding month. However, the index recorded a decline of 12.3 percent year-on-year (Chart 3).
- The production of non-alcoholic beverages in July 2023 amounted to 99 152 hectolitres compared to 92 561 hectolitres and 113 012 hectolitres that was recorded in June 2023 and July 2022, respectively.

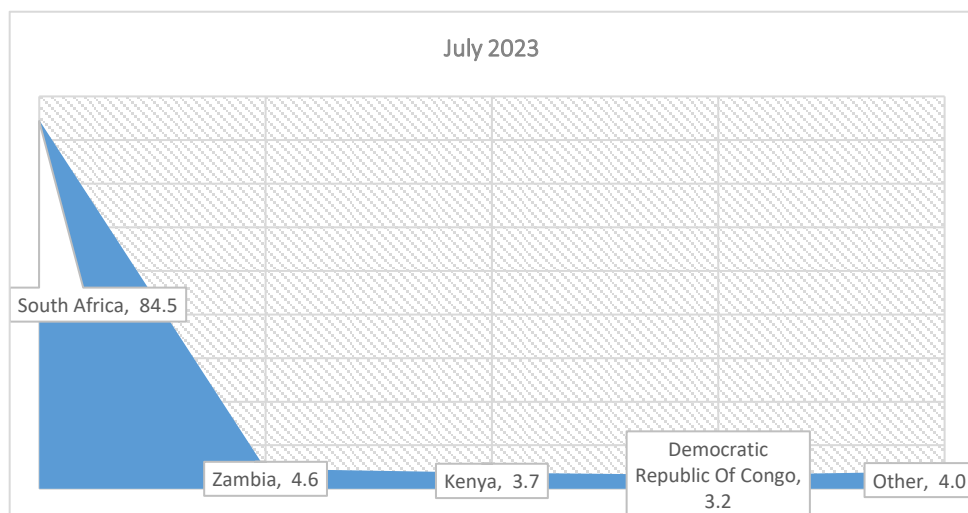
Chart 4: Beverage Export Composite Index, Percentage Change¹



- The **Beverage Export Composite Index** for July 2023 declined by 12.0 percent monthly compared to a decrease of 6.7 percent recorded in the preceding month. Moreover, the index recorded a decline of 77.7 percent on an annual basis (Chart 4).
- A total of 19 116 hectolitres of beverage was exported during the month of July 2023 compared to 21 717 hectolitres and 85 608 hectolitres that was exported in June 2023 and the corresponding month of 2022, respectively.
- Namibia exported 18 588 hectolitres of alcoholic beverages in July 2023, of which beer accounted for a share of 84.1 percent (15 629 hectolitres). Whereas, the export of non-alcoholic beverages amounted to 528 hectolitres for the same period.

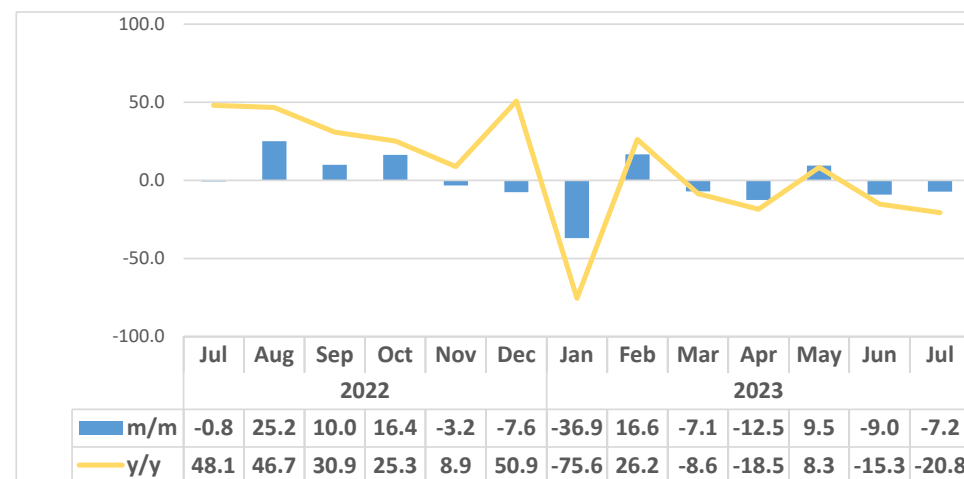
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Chart 5: Export of Beverages by Partner Country, Percentage Share



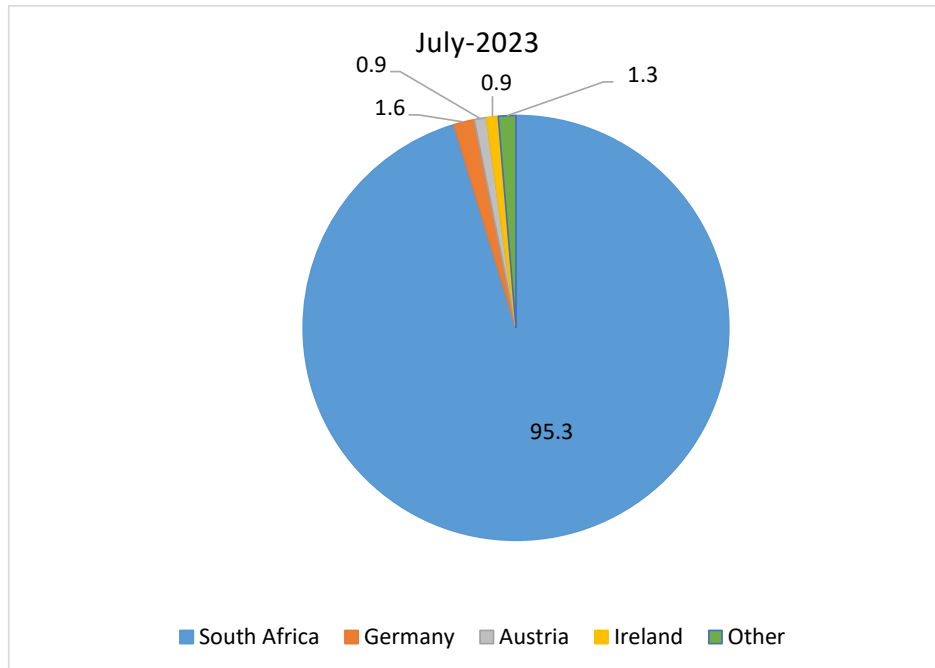
- South Africa (84.5%) was the top export destination for beverages, followed by Zambia (4.6%), Kenya (3.7%) and the Democratic Republic of Congo with a share of 3.2 percent (Chart 5).

Chart 6: Beverage Import Composite Index, Percentage Change



- The **Beverage Import Composite Index** for July 2023 registered a monthly decline of 7.2 percent compared to a decrease of 9.0 percent registered a month earlier. In addition, the index declined by 20.8 percent on a yearly basis (Chart 6).
- The monthly decrease resulted from a reduction in the import of alcoholic beverages. However, the import of non-alcoholic beverages recorded an increase during the month under review.
- Namibia imported a total of 73 993 hectolitres of beverages during the month of July 2023, as opposed to 79 730 hectolitres recorded in June 2023 and 93 391 hectolitres registered in the corresponding month of 2022.

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



- Chart 7 shows that South Africa was the main source for import of beverages during July 2023 accounting for a share of 95.3 percent, followed by Germany (1.6%), Austria and Ireland with a share of 0.9 percent each.

Table 1: Beverages Production Index

Year	Month	Alcoholic Beverages production index	Non-Alcoholic Beverages production index	Composite production Index
2019	Jan	106.6	123.6	112.6
	Feb	107.2	127.4	114.3
	Mar	118.7	127.5	121.8
	Apr	124.8	156.8	136.1
	May	126.3	113.5	121.8
	Jun	121.1	77.1	105.6
	Jul	116.3	92.9	108.1
	Aug	117.8	134.8	123.8
	Sep	142.0	141.4	141.8
	Oct	137.0	192.8	156.6
	Nov	144.7	177.5	156.3
	Dec	152.2	171.9	159.2
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

Table 1: Beverages Production Index continued...

Year	Month	Alcoholic Beverages production index	Non-Alcoholic Beverages production index	Composite production Index
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
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

Table 2: Index for Export and import of Beverages

Year	Month	Alcoholic Beverage Export	Non-alcoholic Beverage Export	Composite export index	Alcoholic Beverage Import	Non-alcoholic Beverage Import	Composite import index
2019	Jan	52.6	296.5	61.8	621.1	599.9	618.2
	Feb	64.6	137.1	67.3	59.8	776.4	160.0
	Mar	57.4	77.4	58.2	47.7	684.0	136.7
	Apr	61.3	239.8	68.0	43.6	457.6	101.5
	May	72.2	642.3	93.7	51.3	595.9	127.5
	Jun	96.0	59.0	94.6	97.6	637.7	173.1
	Jul	58.5	171.0	62.8	108.4	361.6	143.9
	Aug	66.9	59.5	66.6	359.2	877.1	431.7
	Sep	71.6	103.3	72.8	52.7	593.3	128.3
	Oct	81.5	226.0	86.9	58.5	526.7	124.0
	Nov	76.6	259.3	83.5	82.4	913.3	198.6
	Dec	75.0	269.4	82.3	212.4	754.9	288.3
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

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

Year	Month	Alcoholic Beverage Export	Non-alcoholic Beverage Export	Composite export index	Alcoholic Beverage Import	Non-alcoholic Beverage Import	Composite import index
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
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

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.