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MERCHANDISE AND COMMODITY EXPORT DEPENDENCE	2012-2014	2019-2021	
Merchandise exports (millions of dollars)	879.2	964.7	
Unallocated exports as share of merchandise exports (percentage)	0.1	-	
Merchandise export concentration by product line (Herfindahl-Hirschman index)	0.2833	0.3583	
Commodity exports (millions of dollars)	355.0	416.7	
Commodity exports as share of all allocated product exports (percentage)	40.4	43.2	
Commodity exports as share of GDP (percentage)	14.6	16.6	
Total natural resource rents as share of GDP (percentage), 2012-2014 and 2018-2020	5.1	4.1	
Exports by commodity group as share of all allocated product exports (percentage)	40.5	43.1	
Agricultural products	11.5	7.8	
Energy	0.1	-	
Ores, metals, precious stones and non-monetary gold	28.9	35.3	
Average price index of the leading commodity group exported (base year = 2010)	90.6	91.3	
Three leading commodity exports as share of all allocated product exports (percentage)	32.8	39.1	
[667] Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones	[667] Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones	21.5	33.9
[277] Natural abrasives, n.e.s. (incl. industri. diamonds)	[268] Wool and other animal hair (incl. wool tops)	7.0	3.6
[111] Non-alcoholic beverages, n.e.s.	[046] Meal and flour of wheat and flour of meslin	4.2	1.6
Three leading destination markets for commodity exports as share of commodity exports (percentage)	95.7	87.1	
European Union (27)	European Union (27)	62.9	66.7
South Africa	South Africa	27.0	14.7
United States of America	Switzerland	5.9	5.7
COMMODITY IMPORT DEPENDENCE			
Commodity imports (millions of dollars)	919.3	820.9	
Unallocated imports as share of merchandise imports (percentage)	0.9	0.1	
Food imports (millions of dollars)	436.6	431.5	
Food imports as share of all allocated product imports (percentage)	18.9	22.1	
Energy imports (millions of dollars)	352.1	261.5	
Energy imports as share of all allocated product imports (percentage)	15.3	13.4	
Three leading trading partners for commodity imports as share of commodity imports (percentage)	97.7	97.8	
South Africa	South Africa	96.5	94.1
European Union (27)	European Union (27)	0.6	2.7
Zambia	Zambia	0.6	1.0
KEY SOCIOECONOMIC INDICATORS			
Average annual percentage change of GDP (constant 2015 prices), 2010-2015 and 2015-2021	3.4	-0.7	
Value added of agriculture/industry/services as share of GDP (percentage), 2012-2014 and 2018-2020	5/34/60	5/36/59	
GDP per capita (constant 2015 dollars)	1,084.2	1,030.5	
Population (thousands)	2,064.5	2,240.0	
Human Development Index (value and rank), 2010 and 2021	0.467 (168)	0.514 (168)	
Employment-to-population ratio (percentage)	49.2	48.6	
Employment distribution by economic activity (agriculture/industry/services; percentage)	48/14/38	44/13/42	
Share of women in agriculture/industry/services (percentage)	45/12/43	40/12/48	
Proportion of population below international poverty line (percentage): Goal 1, indicator 1.1.1, first and last year available	54 (1986)	32 (2017)	
Gini index, first and last year available	56.0 (1986)	44.9 (2017)	
Prevalence of undernourishment (percentage): Goal 2, indicator 2.1.1, first and last year available	20.0 (2001)	34.7 (2020)	