

TRANSPORT

July 2025

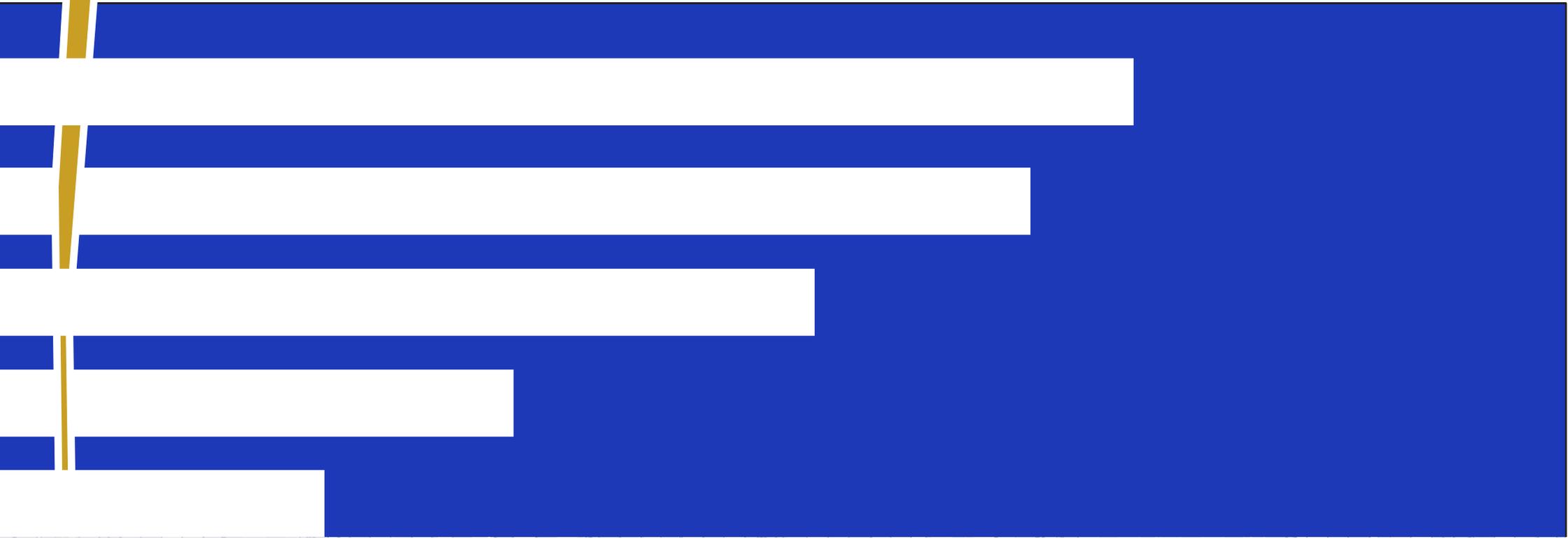
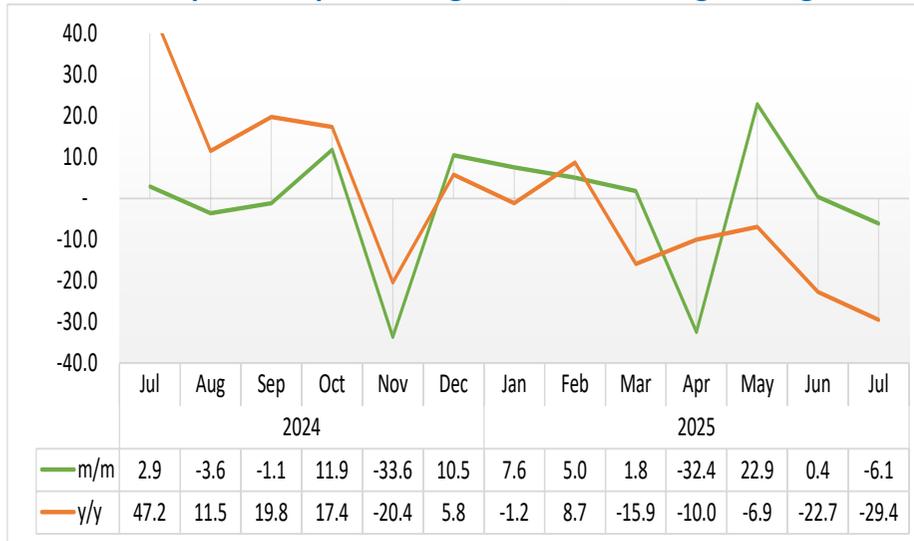


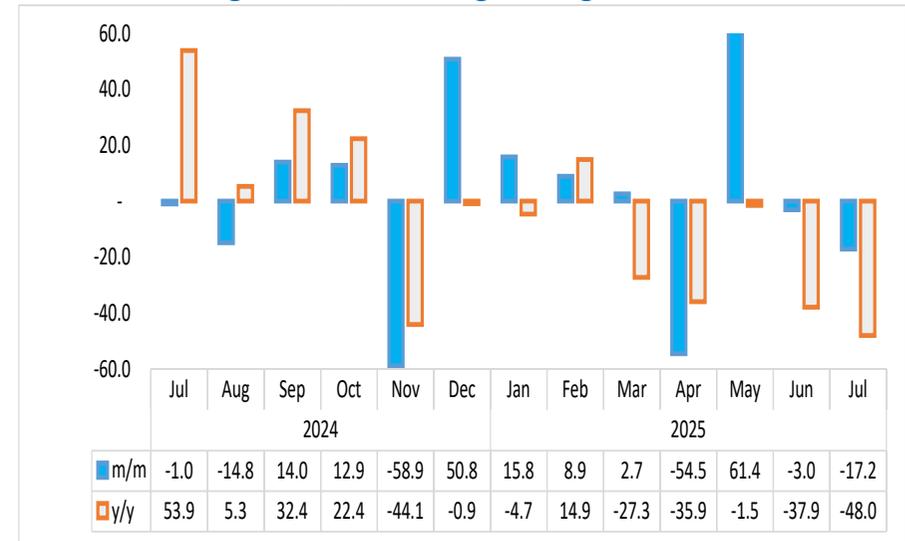
Chart 1: Transport Composite Cargo Index, Percentage Change¹



- The **Transport Composite Cargo Index**, encompassing Sea, Rail, Air and Road cargo, month-on-month declined by 6.1 percent in July 2025, following a growth of 0.4 percent recorded a month earlier. On a year-on-year basis, the index fell by 29.4 percent (Chart 1)¹.
- The monthly decline was largely influenced by a contraction in sea cargo volumes.
- In July 2025, Namibia transported a total of 944 377 tonnes of cargo, compared to 1 005 399 tonnes recorded in the preceding month and 1 338 509 tonnes transported in the same month of 2024.

¹ This chart is limited to 40 percent for better readability.

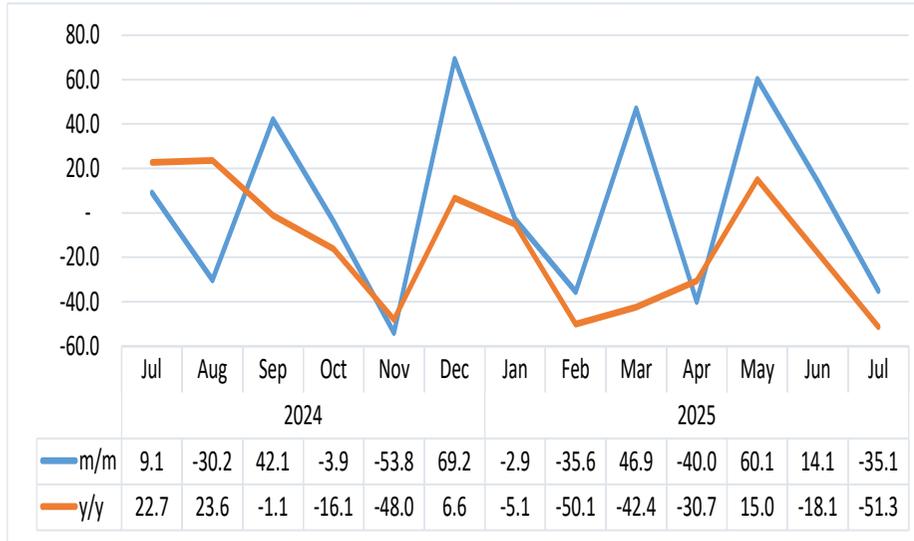
Chart 2: Sea Cargo Index, Percentage Change²



- The **Sea Cargo Index**, comprising Sea Shipped, Sea Landed, and Sea Trans-Shipped cargo month-on-month fell by 17.2 percent in July 2025, following a 3.0 percent decline registered in the previous month. Year-on-year, the index dropped by 48.0 percent (Chart 2)².
- In absolute terms, 443 292 tonnes of cargo were transported by sea during July 2025, decreasing from 535 103 tonnes noted in June 2025 and 852 627 tonnes recorded in July 2024.

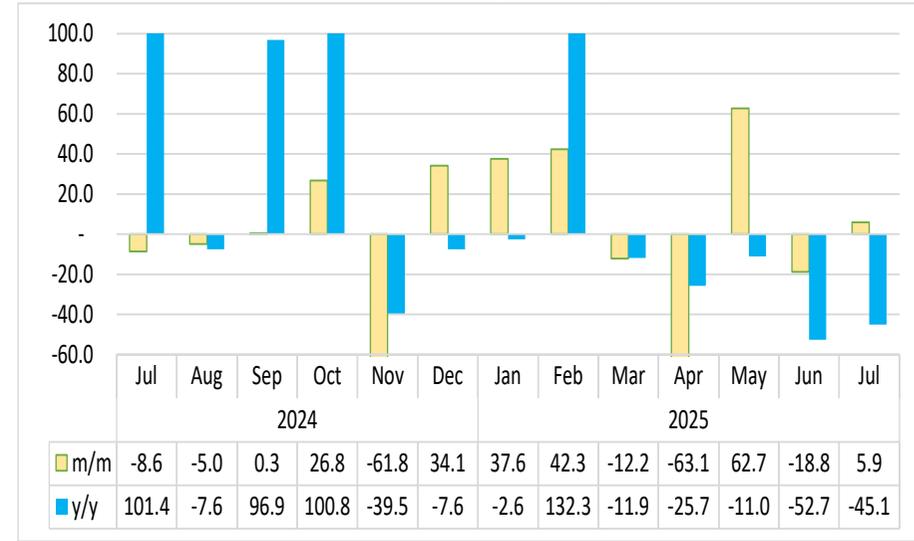
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Chart 3: Sea Shipped Index, Percentage Change



- The **Sea Shipped Index** month-on-month dropped by 35.1 percent in July 2025, following a 14.1 percent increase recorded in June 2025. Additionally, year-on-year the index declined by 51.3 percent compared to the same month last year (Chart 3).

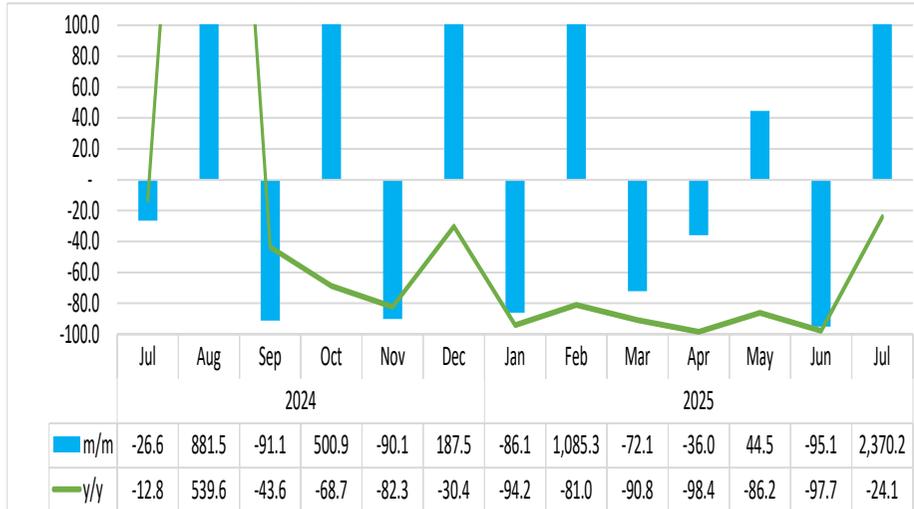
Chart 4: Sea Landed Index, Percentage Change³



- The **Sea Landed Index** month-on-month rose by 5.9 percent in July 2025, recovering from an 18.8 percent decline in June 2025. However, on a year-on-year basis, the index fell by 45.1 percent (Chart 4).

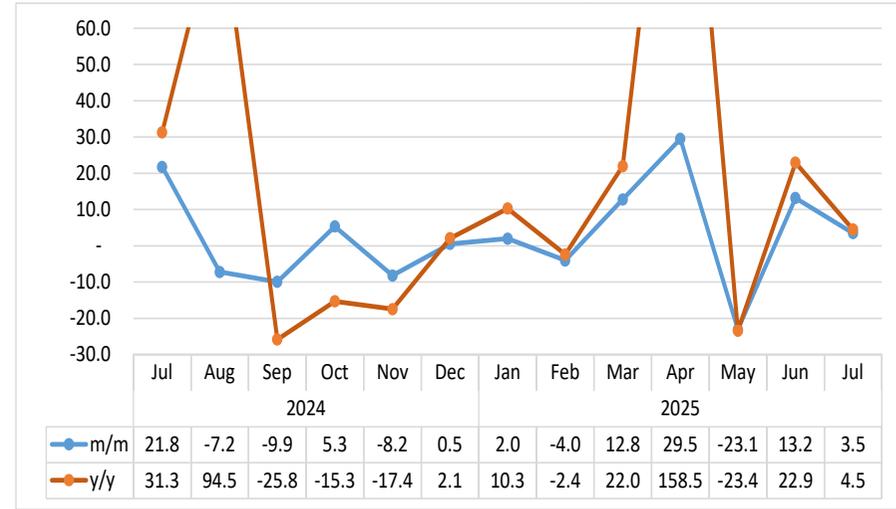
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Chart 5: Sea Trans-Shipped Index, Percentage Change⁴



- The **Sea Trans-Shipped Index** surged by 2 370.2 percent month-on-month in July 2025, reversing the 95.1 percent decline recorded in June 2025. Furthermore, on a year-on-year basis, the index fell sharply by 24.1 percent (Chart 5).

Chart 6: Rail Cargo Index, Percentage Change⁵

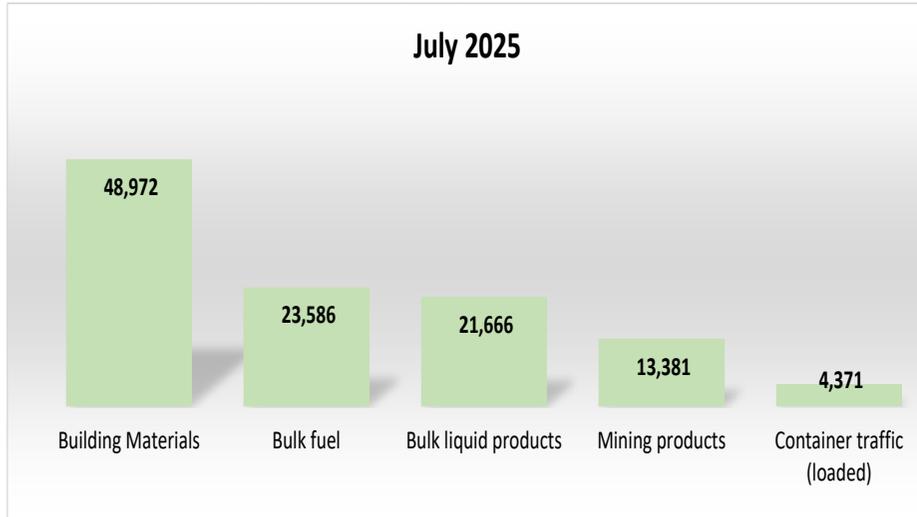


- In July 2025, the **Rail Cargo Index** on a monthly basis grew by 3.5 percent, following a 13.2 percent increase registered in the preceding month. Year-on-year, the index recorded a growth of 4.5 percent (Chart 6).

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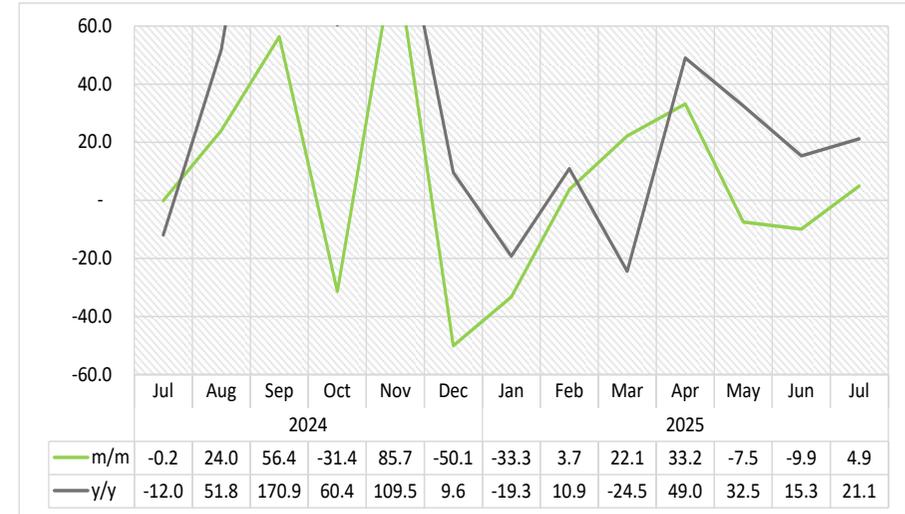
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Chart 7: Top Five Types of Cargo by Rail, in Tonnes



- In July 2025, building materials remained the largest category of cargo transported by rail, amounting to 48 972 tonnes. This was followed by bulk fuel at 23 586 tonnes, while bulk liquid products ranked third with 21 666 tonnes.
- Mining products and loaded container traffic ranked fourth and fifth, with respective volumes of 13 381 tonnes and 4 371 tonnes (Chart 7).

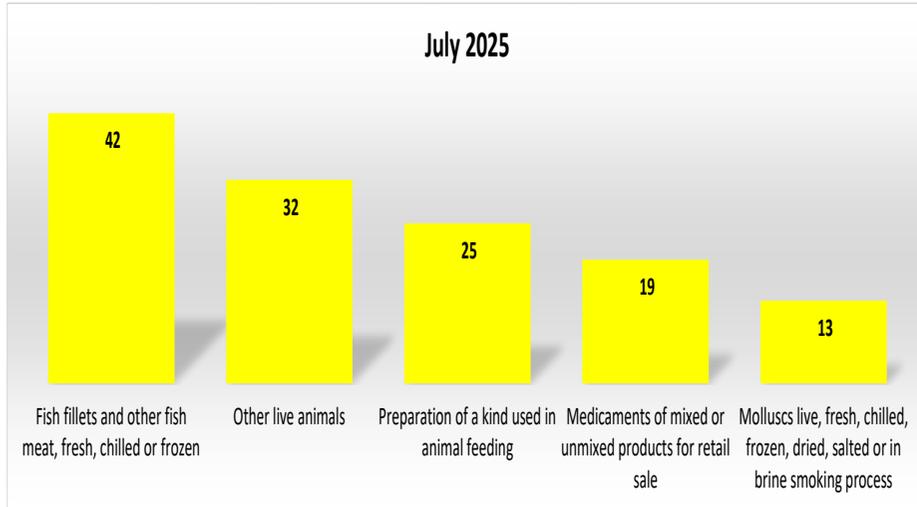
Chart 8: Air Cargo Index, Percentage Change⁶



- The monthly **Air Cargo Index** rose by 4.9 percent in July 2025, rebounding from the 9.9 percent decline recorded in June 2025. On a year-on-year basis, the index registered an increase of 21.1 percent (Chart 8).

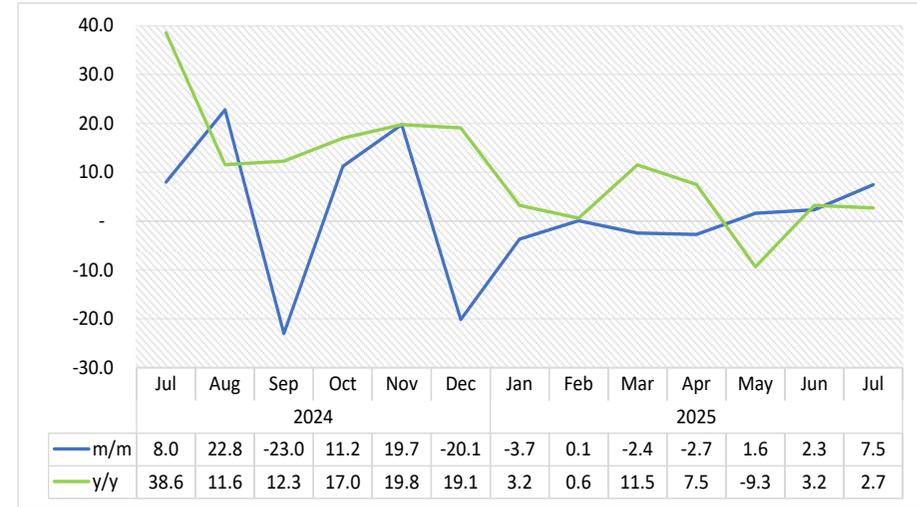
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Chart 9: Top Five Types of Consignments by Air, in Tonnes



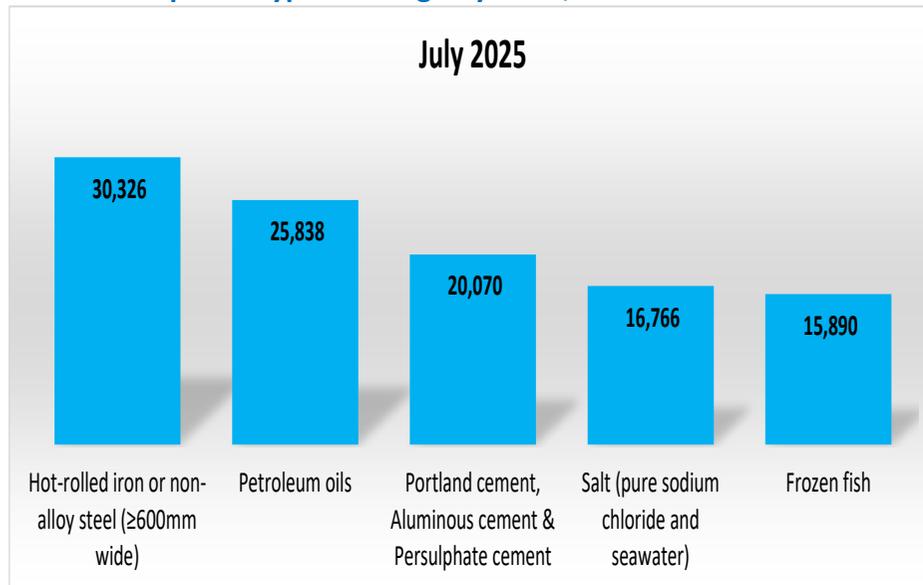
- In July 2025, the highest volume of air-transported cargo was recorded for fish fillets and other fish meat (fresh, chilled, or frozen), amounting to 42 tonnes. This was followed by other live animals with 32 tonnes and preparations used in animal feeding recording 25 tonnes.
- Medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for retail sale ranked fourth with 19 tonnes, while molluscs (live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted, in brine, or smoked) was in fifth place with 13 tonnes (Chart 9).

Chart 10: Road Cargo Index, Percentage Change



- The monthly **Road Cargo Index** expanded by 7.5 percent in July 2025, compared to a 2.3 percent rise recorded in the preceding month. Furthermore, on a year-on-year basis, the index also recorded an increase of 2.7 percent (Chart 10).

Chart 11: Top Five Types of Cargo by Road, in Tonnes



- In July 2025, hot-rolled iron or non-alloy steel (≥600mm wide) was the leading commodity transported by road, amounting to 30 326 tonnes, followed by petroleum oils with 25 838 tonnes. ‘Portland cement, aluminous cement, and persulphate cement’ ranked third with 20 070 tonnes.
- Salt (pure sodium chloride and seawater) occupied the fourth position recording 16 766 tonnes, while frozen fish ranked fifth with 15 890 tonnes (Chart 11).

Table 1: Cargo by mode of transport in tonnes

Year	Month	Rail cargo	Road cargo	Air cargo	Sea Landed	Sea Shipped	Sea Trans - shipped	Sea Cargo	Total Cargo
2021	Jan	107 641	275 398	303	398 439	199 624	16 420	614 482	997 824
	Feb	107 757	260 740	409	321 256	254 083	3 863	579 202	948 107
	Mar	114 211	290 517	582	315 040	230 399	4 986	550 425	955 735
	Apr	112 231	387 713	494	136 333	158 391	5 956	300 680	801 118
	May	123 098	279 922	530	198 667	202 549	6 174	407 390	810 940
	Jun	117 829	300 999	674	298 812	246 107	11 287	556 206	975 708
	Jul	110 889	305 752	552	162 996	201 612	47 081	411 689	828 881
	Aug	134 100	347 315	364	261 617	235 889	73 143	570 648	1 052 427
	Sep	123 279	357 723	380	329 971	376 386	69 625	775 982	1 257 364
	Oct	124 581	387 360	448	339 013	233 193	12 247	584 453	1 096 841
	Nov	122 938	379 542	463	257 163	243 513	314	500 991	1 003 933
	Dec	111 165	352 047	373	392 110	199 402	545	592 058	1 055 642
2022	Jan	107 641	364 310	405	258 144	252 899	3 029	514 071	986 428
	Feb	95 348	340 340	286	473 804	167 884	21 382	663 070	1 099 044
	Mar	123 575	296 300	348	361 293	353 786	6 814	721 893	1 142 116
	Apr	98 815	313 006	293	237 328	132 793	2 689	372 810	784 925
	May	108 501	337 366	260	281 553	382 805	3 164	667 523	1 113 649
	Jun	125 152	277 835	256	354 258	292 154	3 256	649 668	1 052 911
	Jul	125 604	312 627	368	285 087	250 749	8 277	544 113	982 713
	Aug	103 071	325 034	440	396 095	325 079	1 218	722 392	1 150 937
	Sep	143 517	342 624	447	204 694	274 037	4 550	483 281	969 870
	Oct	123 687	347 699	206	207 041	362 174	11 089	580 305	1 051 896
	Nov	117 128	402 064	319	279 309	324 268	40 186	643 762	1 163 273
	Dec	107 634	321 184	342	319 228	503 800	12 227	835 255	1 264 415
2023	Jan	118 745	286 867	422	419 980	244 647	14 519	679 147	1 085 180
	Feb	102 966	285 737	370	292 400	318 255	6 425	617 080	1 006 153
	Mar	94 884	315 279	438	515 808	382 050	9 214	907 072	1 317 673
	Apr	100 444	292 148	263	147 158	232 737	3 063	382 958	775 813
	May	100 427	358 485	356	450 960	225 701	9 140	685 800	1 145 068
	Jun	99 107	277 053	304	315 048	364 379	2 460	681 887	1 058 351
	Jul	82 068	272 682	349	220 777	330 862	2 391	554 030	909 129
	Aug	51 388	415 835	251	457 131	229 252	3 198	689 580	1 157 055
	Sep	121 347	317 972	220	215 194	407 060	3 214	625 468	1 065 008
	Oct	111 950	339 605	255	267 532	461 537	34 842	763 911	1 215 722
	Nov	105 420	397 167	362	338 787	343 333	6 078	688 198	1 191 147
	Dec	85 687	318 991	346	297 427	283 536	4 432	585 395	990 419

Table 1: Cargo by mode of transport in tonnes continue.....

Year	Month	Rail cargo	Road cargo	Air cargo	Sea Landed	Sea Shipped	Sea Trans - shipped	Sea Cargo	Total Cargo
2024	Jan	80 892	354 466	313	388 101	309 436	7 429	704 966	1 140 637
	Feb	87 721	363 972	236	231 543	378 878	26 758	637 180	1 089 108
	Mar	79 154	320 254	423	536 181	482 136	15 480	1 033 797	1 433 629
	Apr	48 365	323 080	286	234 545	240 526	58 117	533 188	904 919
	May	125 507	389 376	297	318 673	232 174	9 503	560 350	1 075 530
	Jun	88 491	349 915	308	486 440	372 194	2 838	861 471	1 300 185
	Jul	107 745	377 830	307	444 558	405 985	2 084	852 627	1 338 509
	Aug	99 957	463 993	381	422 422	283 372	20 453	726 247	1 290 578
	Sep	90 018	357 075	596	423 696	402 687	1 812	828 195	1 275 884
	Oct	94 806	397 238	409	537 071	387 146	10 889	935 106	1 427 559
	Nov	87 026	475 675	759	204 969	178 688	1 074	384 730	948 190
	Dec	87 478	379 832	379	274 875	302 299	3 087	580 260	1 047 949
2025	Jan	89 211	365 853	252	378 128	293 588	430	672 146	1 127 462
	Feb	85 601	366 139	262	537 932	189 209	5 097	732 239	1 184 240
	Mar	96 554	357 201	320	472 446	277 872	1 420	751 739	1 205 813
	Apr	125 045	347 392	426	174 186	166 776	909	341 872	814 734
	May	96 132	353 025	394	283 467	267 065	1 313	551 845	1 001 397
	Jun	108 795	361 146	355	230 285	304 754	64	535 103	1 005 399
	Jul	112 592	388 120	372	243 904	197 808	1 581	443 292	944 377

Table 2: Cargo Index

Year	Month	Rail cargo Index	Road cargo Index	Air cargo Index	Sea Landed	Sea Shipped	Sea Trans shipped	Total Sea Cargo Index	Composite Cargo Index
2021	Jan	84.0	97.4	60.0	131.6	195.2	23.3	129.2	112.5
	Feb	84.1	92.2	81.0	106.1	248.4	5.5	121.8	106.9
	Mar	89.1	102.7	115.3	104.0	225.3	7.1	115.8	107.8
	Apr	87.6	137.1	98.0	45.0	154.9	8.5	63.2	90.3
	May	96.0	99.0	105.1	65.6	198.0	8.8	85.7	91.4
	Jun	91.9	106.4	133.5	98.7	240.6	16.0	117.0	110.0
	Jul	86.5	108.1	109.3	53.8	197.1	66.9	86.6	93.4
	Aug	104.6	122.8	72.1	86.4	230.6	103.9	120.0	118.7
	Sep	96.2	126.5	75.2	109.0	368.0	98.9	163.2	141.8
	Oct	97.2	136.9	88.7	112.0	228.0	17.4	122.9	123.7
	Nov	95.9	134.2	91.7	84.9	238.1	0.4	105.4	113.2
	Dec	86.7	124.5	73.9	129.5	195.0	0.8	124.5	119.0
2022	Jan	84.0	128.8	80.3	85.3	247.3	4.3	108.1	111.2
	Feb	74.4	120.3	56.8	156.5	164.2	30.4	139.5	123.9
	Mar	96.4	104.7	68.9	119.3	345.9	9.7	151.8	128.8
	Apr	77.1	110.7	58.1	78.4	129.8	3.8	78.4	88.5
	May	84.7	119.3	51.5	93.0	374.3	4.5	140.4	125.6
	Jun	97.6	98.2	50.7	117.0	285.7	4.6	136.6	118.7
	Jul	98.0	110.5	73.0	94.1	245.2	11.8	114.4	110.8
	Aug	80.4	114.9	87.2	130.8	317.9	1.7	151.9	129.8
	Sep	112.0	121.1	88.6	67.6	267.9	6.5	101.6	109.3
	Oct	96.5	122.9	40.8	68.4	354.1	15.8	122.1	118.6
	Nov	91.4	142.1	63.2	92.2	317.1	57.1	135.4	131.1
	Dec	84.0	113.5	67.8	105.4	492.6	17.4	175.7	142.6
2023	Jan	92.6	101.4	83.6	138.7	239.2	20.6	142.8	122.3
	Feb	80.3	101.0	73.2	96.6	311.2	9.1	129.8	113.4
	Mar	74.0	111.5	86.7	170.3	373.6	13.1	190.8	148.6
	Apr	78.4	103.3	52.1	48.6	227.6	4.4	80.5	87.5
	May	78.4	126.7	70.6	148.9	220.7	13.0	144.2	129.1
	Jun	77.3	97.9	60.2	104.0	356.3	3.5	143.4	119.3
	Jul	64.0	96.4	69.2	72.9	323.5	3.4	116.5	102.5
	Aug	40.1	147.0	49.8	151.0	224.2	4.5	145.0	130.4
	Sep	94.7	112.4	43.6	71.1	398.0	4.6	131.6	120.1
	Oct	87.3	120.1	50.5	88.4	451.3	49.5	160.7	137.1
	Nov	82.3	140.4	71.8	111.9	335.7	8.6	144.7	134.3
	Dec	66.9	112.8	68.5	98.2	277.2	6.3	123.1	111.7

Table 2: Cargo Index continue.....

Year	Month	Rail cargo Index	Road cargo Index	Air cargo Index	Sea Landed	Sea Shipped	Sea Trans shipped	Total Sea Cargo Index	Composite Cargo Index
2024	Jan	63.1	125.3	61.9	128.2	302.6	10.6	148.3	128.6
	Feb	68.4	128.7	46.8	76.5	370.5	38.0	134.0	122.8
	Mar	61.8	113.2	83.9	177.1	471.4	22.0	217.4	161.6
	Apr	37.7	114.2	56.6	77.5	235.2	82.6	112.1	102.0
	May	97.9	137.6	58.9	105.2	227.0	13.5	117.9	121.3
	Jun	69.0	123.7	61.0	160.6	363.9	4.0	181.2	146.6
	Jul	84.1	133.6	60.9	146.8	397.0	3.0	179.3	150.9
	Aug	78.0	164.0	75.5	139.5	277.1	29.1	152.8	145.5
	Sep	70.2	126.2	118.1	139.9	393.7	2.6	174.2	143.8
	Oct	74.0	140.4	81.0	177.4	378.5	15.5	196.7	160.9
	Nov	67.9	168.2	150.4	67.7	174.7	1.5	80.9	106.9
	Dec	68.3	134.3	75.0	90.8	295.6	4.4	122.0	118.1
2025	Jan	69.6	129.3	50.0	124.9	287.1	0.6	141.4	127.1
	Feb	66.8	129.4	51.9	177.7	185.0	7.2	154.0	133.5
	Mar	75.3	126.3	63.3	156.0	271.7	2.0	158.1	135.9
	Apr	97.6	122.8	84.4	57.5	163.1	1.3	71.9	91.9
	May	75.0	124.8	78.1	93.6	261.1	1.9	116.1	112.9
	Jun	84.9	127.7	70.3	76.1	298.0	0.1	112.5	113.3
	Jul	87.8	137.2	73.8	80.5	193.4	2.2	93.2	106.5

- Methodology** : Products are classified according to the Harmonized System (HS) nomenclature classification (chart 9 and chart 11)
- Data source** : The volume data for rail cargo are sourced from Trans-Namib, while the source for road and air cargo volume data is from the Namibia Statistics Agency (Trade Statistics Sub-division). Volumes of Sea cargo, which comprises of sea-landed, sea-shipped, and sea Trans-shipped, are sourced from Namport.
- Index calculation** : The index of cargo has been weighted using the volume data in tonnes for 2015.
- Conversion** : 1 basis point = 0.01 percent