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Figures Antwerp Diamond Industry January 2013

Exported polished diamonds show increase in January 2013

Compared to January 2012, the volume of exported polished diamonds increased 1.1 percent in January 2013. In value terms, this translates into an 8.55 percent rise.

When we take a look at the import figures of polished diamonds in January 2013, we see a 13.41 percent drop in volume terms and a 2.32 percent decrease in value terms.

When we study the figures of exported rough diamonds in January 2013, we see a decrease of 2.20 percent in volume terms, which equals a 7.25 percent increase in value terms, compared to January 2012.

The import figures of rough diamond show an increase of 1.35 percent in volume terms and an increase of 6.42 percent in value terms.

Caroline De Wolf, Antwerp World Diamond Centre: "January's figures clearly mark the start-up of the new year. We discern a significant growth on the most important international markets. Antwerp's exports of polished diamonds to for example China and the US have increased. In addition, the value of both rough and polished stones continue to rise."

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