

Export price polished diamonds per carat higher than last year

In July 2012 the average export price per carat of polished diamonds was 1,783 U.S. dollar. This is an increase compared to exactly one year ago, when the price per carat equaled 1,711 U.S. dollar.

In volume terms, the export of polished diamonds in July this year decreased 22.93% to 702,220.48 carats compared to July 2011 when it equaled 911,113.43 carats. In value terms we noted a drop of 19.7% compared to a year ago to 1,251,902,534 U.S. dollar.

From January to July, we saw a decrease of 7.13% in value terms from 8,902,401,409 U.S. dollar in 2011 to 8,267,587,141 in 2012. This translates into a downfall from 21.93% in volume terms to 4,367,778.19 carats compared to exactly one year ago.

When we take a look at the import figures of polished diamonds in July 2012, we see a decline of 22.99% in volume terms. This implies a value drop of 19.99% compared to July 2011.

During the first 7 months of 2012, the import figures of polished diamonds declined 17.68% in volume terms to 4,608,200.41 carats compared to the first 7 months of 2011. In value terms however, this resulted in a 0.22% rise to 8,085,455,05 U.S. dollar.

When we study the export figures of rough diamonds in July 2012, we can see a volume drop of 26.38% to 9,720,389.16 carats compared to July 2011. In value terms, we noted a downfall of 33.88% to 1,230,126,592 U.S. dollar.

From January to July 2012, the export figures of rough diamonds decreased 19.31% in volume terms and 13.95% in value terms compared to one year ago.

The import figures of rough diamonds also declined compared to 2011. In July 2011 we saw a value of 1,416,205,416 U.S. dollar while in July 2012 this figure equals 785,032,247 U.S. dollar. This is a decrease of 44.57%. In volume terms, we noted a decrease of 30.36%.

From January to July 2012 the rough import figures showed a decline of 20.10% in volume terms and a drop of 13.53% in value, compared to the first 7 months of 2011.