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This paper highlights the origin of the stock market in Brazil, and traces the reforms that have been undertaken to develop the stock market. It also highlights the growth of the Brazilian stock market, as well as the challenges currently facing the market. The country has one big stock market, known as the BM&FBOVESPA, which is one of the world's largest stock markets. Over the years, a number of stock market reforms have been implemented in Brazil. Among these reforms have been the restructuring of the financial market, the replacement of the traditional trading systems by full electronic trading systems, the enactment of new laws governing the stock market, as well as the revision of the existing laws. In addition, the formation of a regulatory body known as Securities and Exchange Commission (CVM) in 1976 also assisted in the creation of an environment conducive for the growth and development of the stock market. Since the implementation of these reforms, the Brazilian stock market has developed significantly in terms of market capitalisation, the total value of stocks traded, and the turnover ratio.

COMPARATIVE ECONOMIC EFFICIENCY, OPERATING COSTS AND FUEL CONSUMPTION RATES OF FREIGHT TRANSPORT MODES BETWEEN THE LARGEST INDUSTRIAL CITIES AND SEAPORTS IN SOUTH AFRICA

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The Cross-Border Road Transport Agency (CBRTA) in South Africa aims to encourage and facilitate trade between South Africa and its neighbouring countries. The CBRTA sponsored a study by Stellenbosch University (SU) to determine the logistics cost impact of cross-border delays between South Africa and its major neighbouring trading partners, and prioritise opportunities for improvement. SU is the proprietor of both a comprehensive freight demand model and a logistics cost model for South Africa, which enable extractions and extensions of freight flows and related costs for specific purposes. Through the application of these models, the following information is identified and presented in this paper: South Africa's most important border posts (based on traffic flows); a product profile for imports and exports through these border posts; the modal split (road and rail); the annual logistics costs incurred on the corridors feeding the border posts, as well as the additional costs incurred due to border delays.

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