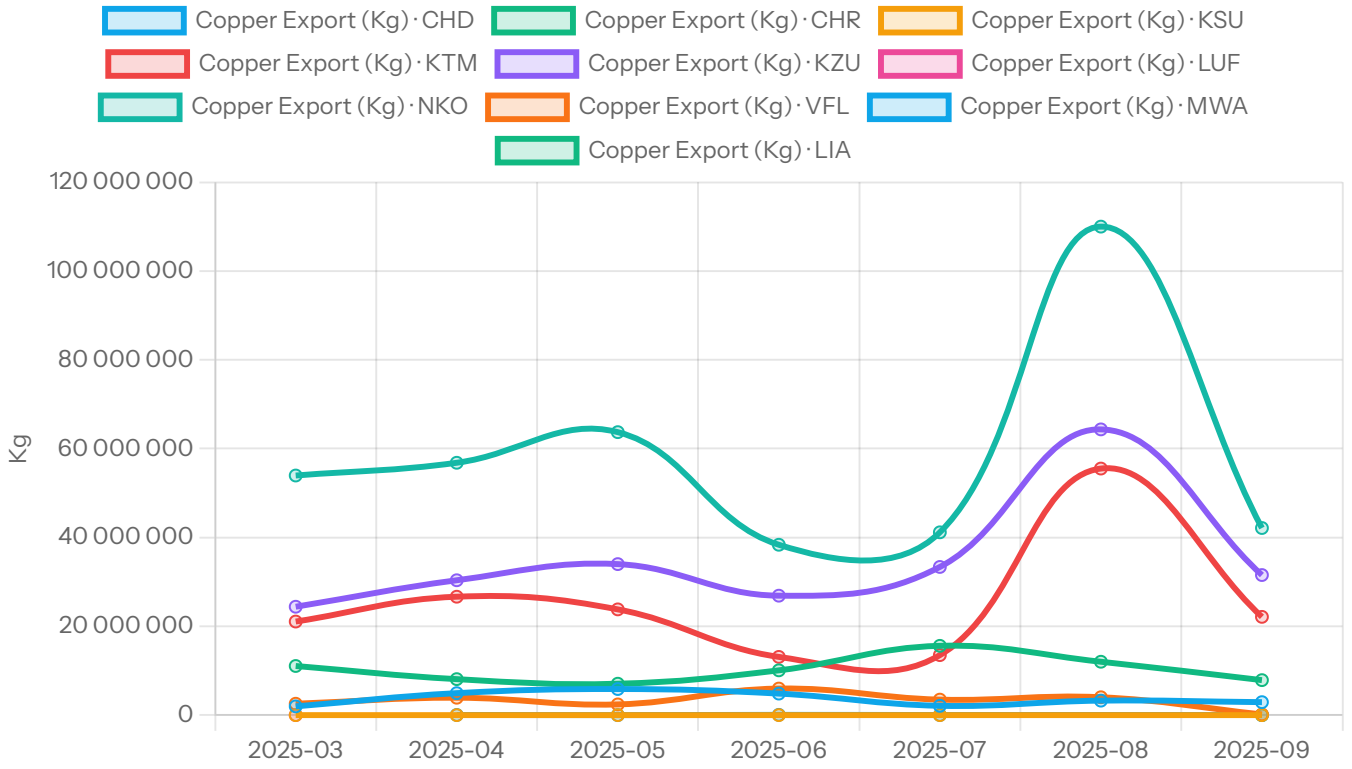
Copper Exports comparison (March vs September 2025) by Border Office

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Summary

Copper exports declined by 7.17% from 115.02M Kg in March to 106.77M Kg in September 2025, with major volumes shifting from NKO (-21.9%) to KZU (+29.2%).



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Executive Summary of Copper Exports: March vs September 2025

A comparison of copper exports (HS Chapter 74) from Zambaie border posts between March and September 2025 shows a overall **7.17% decrease** in total volume, falling from **115.02 million Kg** to **106.77 million Kg**. This decrease was primarily driven by lower export volumes at **NKO** (down 11.82 million Kg) and **CHR** (down 3.18 million Kg).

Border Office Performance Analysis

Border Office	March 2025 (Kg)	September 2025 (Kg)	Absolute Change (Kg)	% Cha
NKO	53,948,993.59	42,128,983.40	-11,820,010.19	-21.9
KZU	24,404,244.60	31,540,488.80	+7,136,244.20	+29.2

Border Office	March 2025 (Kg)	September 2025 (Kg)	Absolute Change (Kg)	% Cha
KTM	21,068,583.33	22,126,514.00	+1,057,930.67	+5.0%
CHR	11,061,116.00	7,877,276.20	-3,183,839.80	-28.8
CHD	1,970,284.00	2,919,477.00	+949,193.00	+48.2
VFL	2,564,038.00	150,378.00	-2,413,660.00	-94.1
MWA	0.00	31,366.00	+31,366.00	New
LUF	1,720.00	0.00	-1,720.00	-100%
LIA	0.00	21.60	+21.60	New
KSU	2.45	3.00	+0.55	+22.4
Total	**115,018,981.97**	**106,774,508.00**	**-8,244,473.97**	**-7.2%**

Key Takeaways

1. **Top Dominant Ports**: Three border offices—**NKO**, **KZU**, and **KTM**—consistently handled over **85%** of all copper exports in both months (86.4% in March and 89.7% in September).
2. **Shift from NKO to KZU**: The biggest shift occurred as **NKO** saw exports contract by **21.9%** (down 11.8M Kg), while **KZU** expanded by **29.2%** (up 7.14M Kg), indicating a potential routing shift towards southern exits.
3. **Plunge at VFL**: **VFL** saw a dramatic **94.1% collapse** in copper trade, dropping from 2.56M Kg in March to just 150k Kg in September.
4. **Intermediate Volatility**: Although comparing March and September shows a slight decline, the timeline reveals massive mid-year volatility, with copper exports peaking at **249.14 million Kg in August 2025**, more than double either of the compared months.

Source: AfriStatsXchange · https://asx.octoplus.co.za/analysis/chart/10e92335-0033-4040-a395-2e9a9010d554