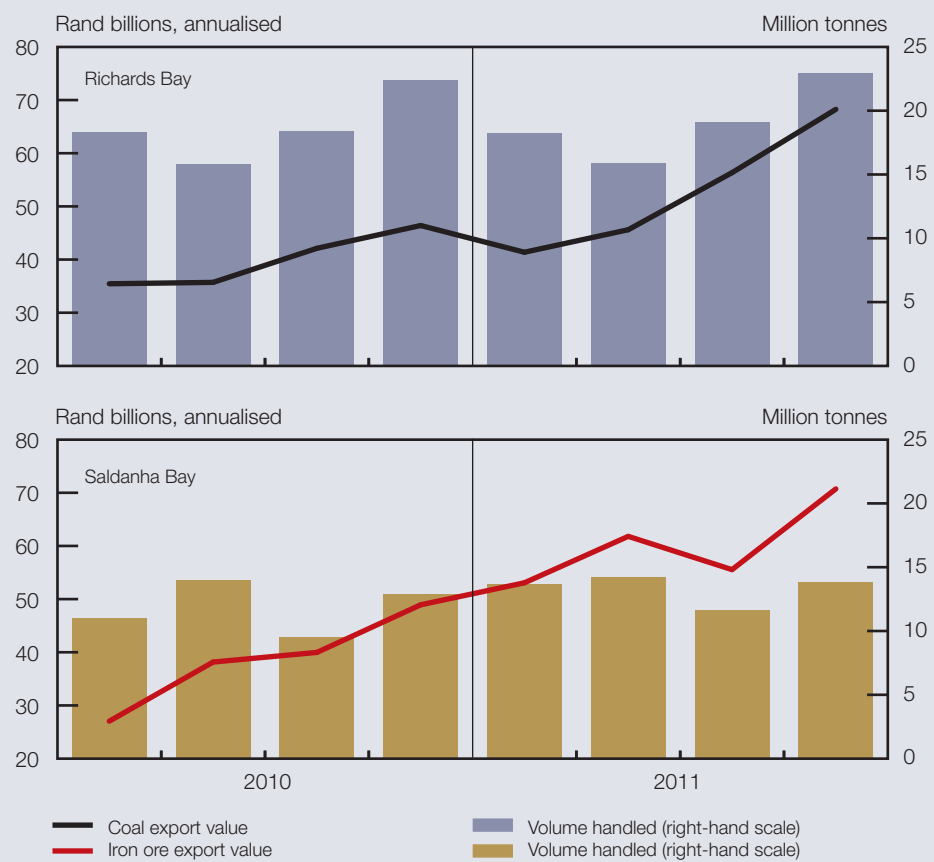


### Box 1: Richards Bay and Saldanha Bay exports

According to the statistics of goods handled through the Richards Bay harbour – primarily a port for coal exports – export volumes of bulk cargo increased by 19,9 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2011. Over the same period, the quantity of bulk cargo, mainly iron ore, handled at the Saldanha Bay harbour advanced by 19,2 per cent. Significant portions of these bulk mining exports were destined for China, India and Japan, supplying users such as steel mills and thermal coal power stations.

**Bulk cargo volume handled and export value of selected mining products**



Sources: National Port Authority and South African Revenue Services