



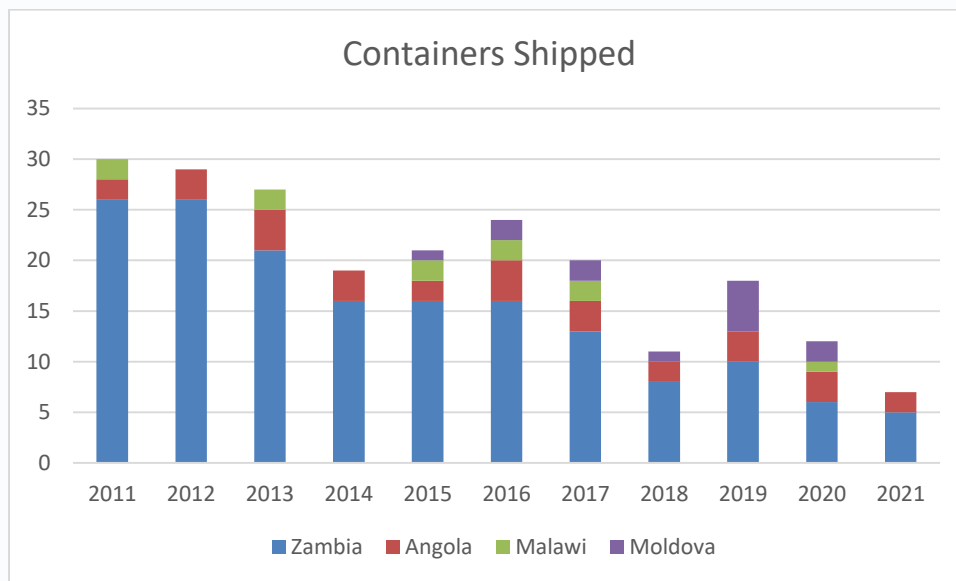
Container Report 2021

We continue to ship medicines, medical aids and general supplies to the mission hospitals and clinics and their associated ministries. Things continue to evolve and we find new ways of responding to the changing circumstances in both the UK and recipient countries.

Where did we send?

During the year we shipped the following containers:

- Zambia - 5
- Angola – 2
- Malawi – 0
- Moldova – 0



In addition to these containers we have shipped pallets of goods to warehouses in the UK for onward shipment to Moldova and Mozambique.

What has changed?

- It is more difficult to compare years now as we are generally shipping 40ft containers to Zambia whereas we were previously shipping 20ft ones. The amount of goods shipped to Zambia this year is comparable with what was shipped in 2020.

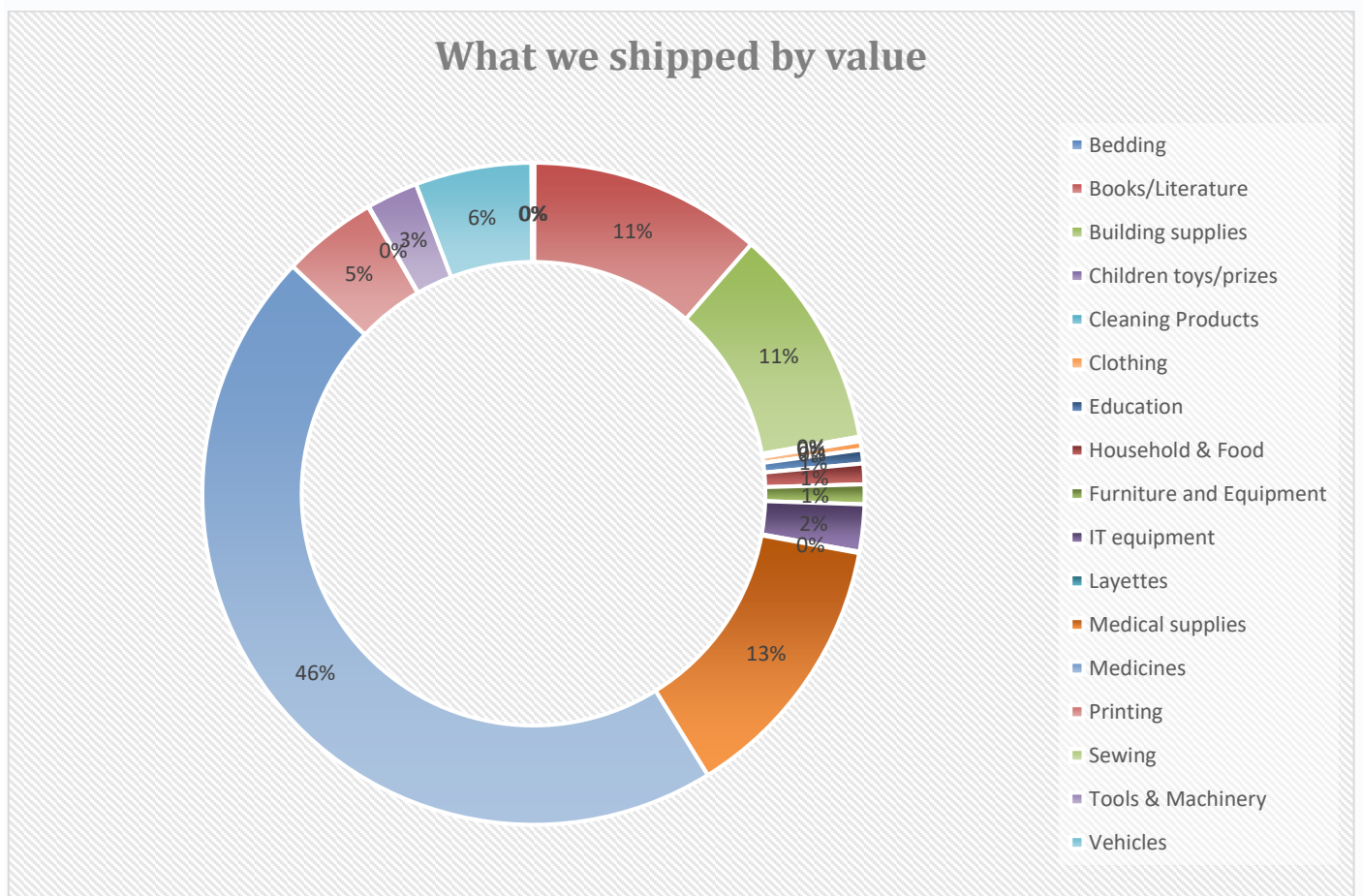


- With the new regulations that came into force for shipping between GB to Northern Ireland as a result of Brexit, we are now working with another partner to ship items donated within NI so that they are shipped directly from there rather than coming to us first.
- The containers for Angola are no longer loaded at MMN. We continue to support our partners there with ordering goods and arranging the shipment but the containers are loaded by their own volunteers.
- The containers to Malawi tend to ship every other year.
- We are looking at new partnerships to facilitate the shipping of good to other places. The main one this year was a number of wheelchairs were sent to Mozambique through the ministry of Helping Hands.

What did we send?

We, along with our partners, are so grateful to each of you who have contributed to this work over the past year. From creating layettes, to donating goods, to contributing to larger items that have been needed, to supporting MMN financially to help with the ever rising cost of sending items overseas.

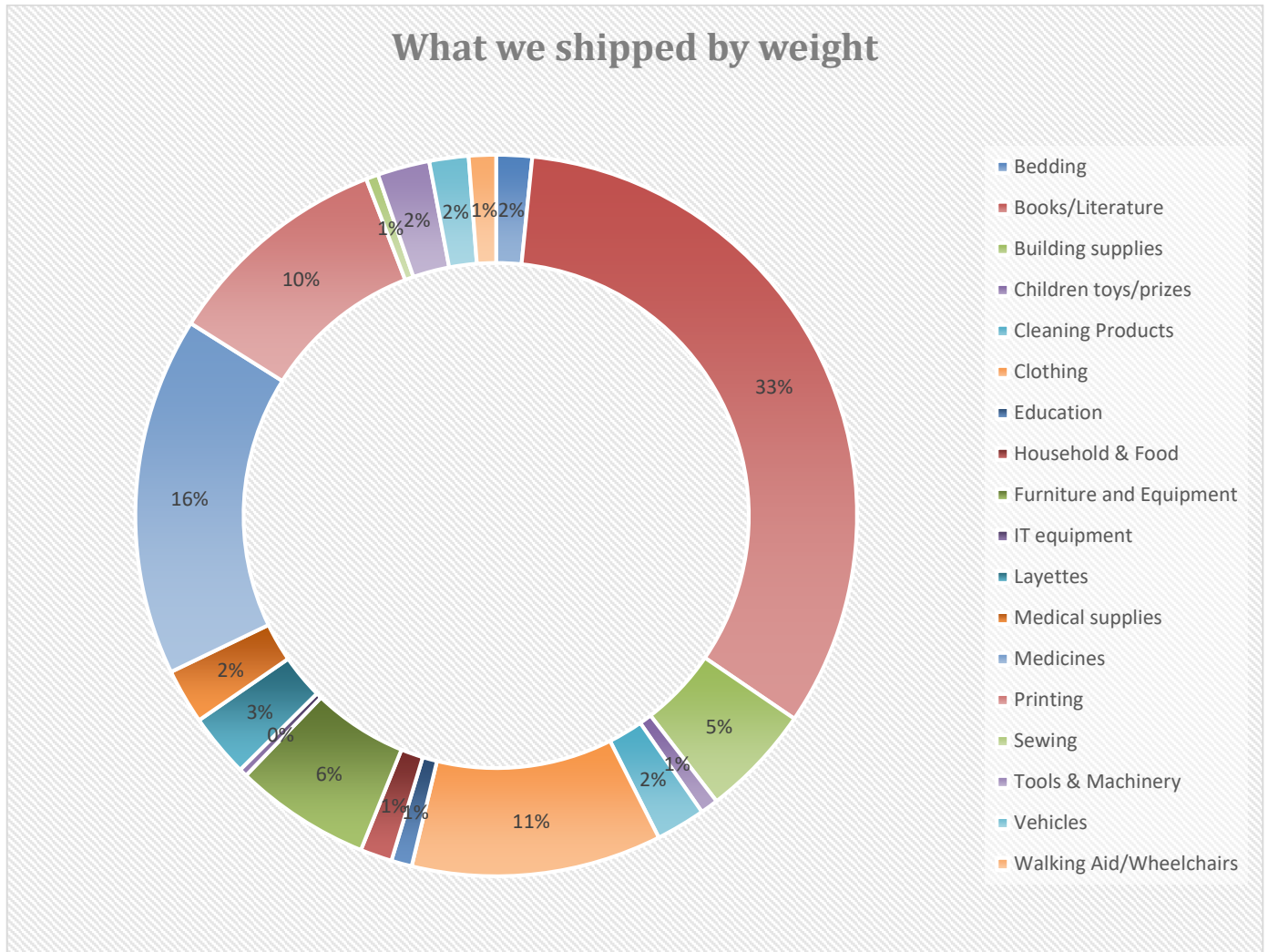
The graphs below give more details of the type of goods that are shipped split by weight and value. These range from medical supplies to books, to layettes to vehicle spares, and everything in-between that is needed to keep the mission work going.





The split has not really changed from last year. Medical supplies and books/literature account for 70% of the value of goods shipped. The medicines go to the CMML hospitals and clinics in NW Province of Zambia, such as Chitokoloki, Chavuma, Loloma, Dipalata and Nyangombe with medical supplies also going to Mambilima and Sachibondu.

Most of the books are Bibles and Christian literature to support either the ministry of Angola Literature Fund in Angola or the work of Opal Trust in Zambia. The rest is made up of goods that the mission partners order to keep their ministry functioning with spare parts and supplies.



Medical supplies, primarily to Zambia, account for a quarter of what we ship by weight with the other biggest category being books and literature, which is nearly 30%.

The goods that are donated do not show up when we look at values because they are donated. Looking at the shipment by weight it becomes more visible as clothing, household goods, layettes, bedding and childrens' item account for a significant proportion.



What challenges are we facing?

There are still significant challenges with shipping internationally with increasing costs and the never-ending bureaucracy involved in shipping and importing some of these items. We are hoping that as the shipping lines readjust after the immediate impacts of the pandemic that the availability of containers and space on the shipping vessels will become more manageable.

Thank You

None of this work would be possible without both your practical and prayerful support, so thank you for your involvement over the past year in allowing us to meet these needs overseas. If you would like to support this work, or make a small contribution to the cost of transit when donating items, we would be very grateful as we try to consider the best way of moving forward with the ever-growing financial implications of shipping overseas.

They have made such a big difference to the work of our partners and have been such a blessing to the places they have been sent. God is being glorified by both a practical and spiritual need being met.