

PHILIPPINE EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP: MAY, APRIL 1998 AND MAY 1997
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	1998		1997	Growth Rate (%)		Jan-May 1998
	May FOB Value	April FOB Value	May FOB Value	Monthly	Annual	
Total Exports	2,414,690	2,284,501	1,982,879	5.70	21.78	11,515,388
Agro-Based Products	132,870	130,577	84,875	1.76	56.55	644,461
Coconut Products	71,295	72,930	29,467	-2.24	141.95	372,890
Copra	a	a	a	-	-	744
Coconut Oil	58,264	65,596	18,537	-11.18	214.32	318,476
Desiccated Coconut	6,905	4,383	6,540	57.54	5.58	27,572
Copra Meal/Cake	4,456	1,795	2,556	148.29	74.33	19,253
Others	1,669	1,156	1,834	44.43	-8.96	6,845
Sugar and Products	15,982	11,919	10,791	34.09	48.11	65,318
Centrifugal & Refined	12,459	8,860	8,792	40.63	41.71	51,297
Molasses	3,486	3,014	1,828	15.65	90.74	13,779
Others	37	45	171	-19.28	-78.63	242
Fruits and Vegetables	45,593	45,728	44,617	-0.29	2.19	206,253
Canned Pineapple	6,577	6,036	4,931	8.97	33.38	30,530
Pineapple Juice	811	546	632	48.40	28.27	2,921
Pineapple Concentrates	3,240	3,556	2,062	-8.90	57.13	13,101
Bananas	20,079	18,707	19,559	7.34	2.66	93,553
Mangoes	8,548	9,660	9,152	-11.51	-6.60	33,130
Others	6,339	7,223	8,280	-12.25	-23.45	33,018
Other Agro-Based Products	40,709	38,162	38,750	6.67	5.05	197,374
Fish, Fresh or Preserved						
Of Which: Shrimps & Prawns	24,251	23,470	19,437	3.33	24.77	122,475
Coffee, Raw, not Roasted	210	282	73	-25.24	187.88	983
Abaca Fibers	1,880	1,402	2,544	34.13	-26.09	8,303
Tobacco Unmanufactured	3,051	2,250	3,340	35.57	-8.66	10,555
Natural Rubber	1,388	1,617	1,855	-14.14	-25.18	7,448
Ramie Fibers, Raw or Roasted	b	b	b	-	-	11
Seaweeds, Dried	2,808	3,101	3,132	-9.42	-10.34	13,796
Rice	a	a	a	-	-	-
Others	7,120	6,041	8,369	17.86	-14.92	33,803
Forest Products	2,044	1,408	6,058	45.21	-66.25	10,757
Logs	a	a	a	-	-	-
Lumber	1,645	1,069	2,767	53.91	-40.55	4,522
Plywood	215	48	643	346.23	-66.62	1,015
Veneer Sheets/Corestocks	158	106	412	49.15	-61.63	4,971
Others	27	185	2,236	-85.65	-98.81	250
Mineral Products	46,707	46,514	55,054	0.42	-15.16	273,552
Copper Concentrates	3,487	2,103	3,851	65.84	-9.45	13,822
Copper Metal	7,038	12,112	13,762	-41.89	-48.86	88,268
Gold	4,069	2,470	4,181	64.75	-2.69	16,985
Iron Ore Agglomerates	3,361	3,020	4,897	11.30	-31.36	23,171
Chromium Ore	a	997	483	-	-	1,666
Nickel	1	b	b	-	-	1
Others	28,751	25,813	27,880	11.38	3.12	129,638
Petroleum Products	12,222	10,778	18,173	13.40	-32.75	51,423
Manufactures	2,027,187	2,008,907	1,748,122	0.91	15.96	9,988,199
Electronic Eqpt. & Parts	1,269,606	1,365,222	1,056,935	-7.00	20.12	6,605,153
Garments	207,193	153,867	189,867	34.66	9.13	890,604
Textile Yarns/Fabrics	27,178	23,323	28,255	16.53	-3.81	120,856
Footwear	16,362	15,492	15,831	5.61	3.35	71,570
Travel Goods and Handbags	14,594	16,392	15,657	-10.97	-6.79	72,353
Wood Manufactures	12,475	9,183	8,988	35.85	38.80	47,379
Furniture & Fixtures	26,986	24,061	25,893	12.16	4.22	129,548
Chemicals	35,412	30,693	31,472	15.38	12.52	143,572
Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures	7,367	7,075	8,082	4.13	-8.85	39,591
Machinery & Transport Equipment	255,155	244,429	221,727	4.39	15.08	1,227,279
Processed food and Beverages	27,584	24,366	30,925	13.21	-10.80	127,677
Iron & Steel	2,745	924	5,594	197.03	-50.93	7,411
Baby Carr., Toys, Games and sporting goods	16,215	11,319	17,397	43.26	-6.79	58,886
Basketwork, Wickerwork & Other						
Articles of Plaiting Material	6,790	5,887	7,810	15.34	-13.06	36,733
Misc.Manufactured Articles, n.e.s.	18,607	15,557	16,783	19.61	10.87	81,956
Others	82,918	61,119	66,908	35.67	23.93	327,633
Special Transactions	152,951	48,156	31,848	217.62	380.26	349,622
Re-Exports	143,816	52,235	54,016	175.32	166.25	365,852

a - no export data
b - less than \$1,000
- - no growth rate

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