

Table 3. Philippine Imports by Major Type of Goods
March and February 2005 and March 2004
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	2005				2004		Growth Rate (%)	
	March		February		March		Monthly	Annual
	FOB Value	% share	FOB Value	% share	FOB Value	% share		
Total Imports	3,435,511	100.00	2,850,039	100.00	3,578,791	100.00	20.54	(4.00)
Capital Goods	1,273,741	37.08	1,099,403	38.58	1,433,587	40.06	15.86	(11.15)
Power generating and specialized machines	163,472	4.76	135,877	4.77	183,466	5.13	20.31	(10.90)
Office and electronic data processing machines	281,310	8.19	249,042	8.74	310,431	8.67	12.96	(9.38)
Telecommunication equipment and electrical machines	721,447	21.00	629,522	22.09	818,443	22.87	14.60	(11.85)
Land transport equipment excluding passenger cars and motorized cycle	57,370	1.67	41,963	1.47	45,176	1.26	36.72	26.99
Aircraft, Ships and Boats	11,011	0.32	9,061	0.32	32,541	0.91	21.51	(66.16)
Professional scientific and controlling instruments, photographic equipment and optical goods	39,132	1.14	33,939	1.19	43,530	1.22	15.30	(10.10)
Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods	1,306,296	38.02	1,004,188	35.23	1,371,258	38.32	30.08	(4.74)
Unprocessed Raw Materials	143,273	4.17	72,481	2.54	156,928	4.38	97.67	(8.70)
Wheat	35,131	1.02	332	0.01	40,658	1.14	10,480.70	(13.59)
Corn	1,092	0.03	941	0.03	856	0.02	16.06	27.55
Unmilled cereals excluding rice and corn	308	0.01	370	0.01	238	0.01	(16.79)	29.47
Crude materials, inedible	86,674	2.52	67,671	2.37	104,113	2.91	28.08	(16.75)
Pulp & waste paper	6,626	0.19	4,491	0.16	6,082	0.17	47.54	8.94
Cotton	4,431	0.13	4,843	0.17	3,311	0.09	(8.50)	33.84
Syn. Fibers	8,080	0.24	7,310	0.26	7,295	0.20	10.53	10.75
Metalliferous ores	37,419	1.09	25,380	0.89	46,170	1.29	47.43	(18.95)
Others	30,118	0.88	25,647	0.90	41,255	1.15	17.43	(26.99)
Tobacco, unmanufactured	20,068	0.58	3,167	0.11	11,064	0.31	533.75	81.39
Semi-Processed Raw Materials	1,163,023	33.85	931,707	32.69	1,214,330	33.93	24.83	(4.23)
Feeding stuffs for animals	26,132	0.76	19,301	0.68	41,742	1.17	35.39	(37.40)
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	11,185	0.33	9,083	0.32	8,988	0.25	23.14	24.45
Chemical	286,373	8.34	219,659	7.71	268,002	7.49	30.37	6.85
Chemical compounds	77,780	2.26	53,030	1.86	62,254	1.74	46.67	24.94

Medicinal and pharmaceutical chemical	39,605	1.15	35,513	1.25	37,807	1.06	11.52	4.76
Urea	5,220	0.15	2,300	0.08	2,649	0.07	126.96	97.05
Fertilizer excl. urea	3,790	0.11	5,177	0.18	3,138	0.09	(26.79)	20.81
Artificial resins	72,395	2.11	55,495	1.95	76,612	2.14	30.45	(5.50)
Others	87,582	2.55	68,143	2.39	85,542	2.39	28.53	2.39
Manufactured goods	359,929	10.48	237,240	8.32	322,732	9.02	51.72	11.53
Paper & paper products	36,405	1.06	28,617	1.00	33,990	0.95	27.21	7.11
Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles	57,554	1.68	40,108	1.41	66,658	1.86	43.50	(13.66)
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	16,174	0.47	11,904	0.42	13,274	0.37	35.87	21.84
Iron & steel	159,274	4.64	92,573	3.25	134,983	3.77	72.05	18.00
Non-ferrous metals	42,600	1.24	29,477	1.03	38,555	1.08	44.52	10.49
Metal products	26,139	0.76	17,595	0.62	19,923	0.56	48.56	31.20
Others	21,783	0.63	16,966	0.60	15,348	0.43	28.39	41.92
Embroideries	20,356	0.59	10,254	0.36	16,102	0.45	98.51	26.42
Materials/Accessories for the manufacture of electrical equipment	454,351	13.23	427,837	15.01	552,743	15.44	6.20	(17.80)
Iron ore, not agglomerated	4,697	0.14	8,332	0.29	4,020	0.11	(43.63)	16.84
Mineral Fuels, Lubricant and Related Materials	475,499	13.84	423,659	14.87	405,703	11.34	12.24	17.20
Coal, Coke	22,348	0.65	4,498	0.16	7,214	0.20	396.84	209.80
Petroleum crude	223,708	6.51	253,668	8.90	174,317	4.87	(11.81)	28.33
Others	229,443	6.68	165,492	5.81	224,172	6.26	38.64	2.35
Consumer Goods	305,844	8.90	261,390	9.17	221,082	6.18	17.01	38.34
Durable	114,607	3.34	84,118	2.95	101,563	2.84	36.25	12.84
Passenger cars & motorized cycle	46,768	1.36	30,931	1.09	37,483	1.05	51.20	24.77
Home appliances	18,051	0.53	15,825	0.56	18,983	0.53	14.07	(4.91)
Misc. manufactures	49,788	1.45	37,362	1.31	45,097	1.26	33.26	10.40
Non-Durable	191,237	5.57	177,272	6.22	119,519	3.34	7.88	60.00
Food & live animals chiefly for food	179,082	5.21	171,156	6.01	109,108	3.05	4.63	64.13
Dairy products	48,860	1.42	38,342	1.35	32,255	0.90	27.43	51.48
Fish & fish preparation	4,950	0.14	2,430	0.09	2,281	0.06	103.73	117.01
Rice	46,709	1.36	53,270	1.87	12,925	0.36	(12.32)	261.38
Fruits & vegetables	9,330	0.27	8,725	0.31	10,427	0.29	6.93	(10.52)
Others	69,233	2.02	68,389	2.40	51,219	1.43	1.23	35.17
Beverages & tobacco mfture.	6,376	0.19	1,663	0.06	4,998	0.14	283.45	27.57
Articles of apparel, access.	5,779	0.17	4,453	0.16	5,414	0.15	29.78	6.74
Special Transactions	74,131	2.16	61,398	2.15	147,161	4.11	20.74	(49.63)

Articles temporarily imported & exported	43,271	1.26	34,033	1.19	103,813	2.90	27.15	(58.32)
Others	30,859	0.90	27,366	0.96	43,348	1.21	12.77	(28.81)

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Note: **Components may not add up to total due to rounding.**