

TABLE 2. PHILIPPINE IMPORTS FROM ALL COUNTRIES
 DECEMBER, NOVEMBER 1997 AND DECEMBER 1996
 (F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

COMMODITY	1997		1996	GROWTH RATES (%)	
	DECEMBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	MONTHLY	ANNUAL
TOTAL	2,794.59	2,945.29	2,718.24	-5.1	2.8
1.Electronics and components 1/	554.43	607.85	415.18	-8.8	33.5
2.Industrial Machinery and Equipment	268.25	253.25	245.23	5.9	9.4
3.Telecommunication Equipment and Electrical Machinery 2/	263.52	286.42	255.19	-8.0	3.3
4.Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	235.60	241.49	290.02	-2.4	-18.8
5.Materials/accessories imported on consignment basis for the manufacture of oth electrical & electronic machinery & eqpt.	218.04	204.78	209.72	6.5	4.0
6.Transport equipment	148.17	192.76	164.38	-23.1	-9.9
7.Office and EDP Machines	140.24	140.14	92.30	0.1	51.9
8.Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles and related products 1/	83.51	88.56	86.81	-5.7	-3.8
9.Iron and Steel	66.52	58.45	98.77	13.8	-32.7
10.Cereals and cereal preparations	66.23	32.15	47.66	106.0	39.0
11.Organic and inorganic chemical	48.05	48.50	45.91	-0.9	4.7

12.Plastics in primary and non- primary forms	45.73	57.35	59.42	-20.3	-23.0
13.Metal Products	43.25	37.34	34.23	15.8	26.4
14.Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	42.26	5.06	31.03	734.7	36.2
15.Power generating & Specialized Machinery	40.00	32.67	42.75	22.5	-6.4
16.Professional, scientific and controlling instruments; photographic and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	38.25	48.85	43.03	-21.7	-11.1
17.Miscellaneous manufactured articles	36.70	41.99	34.27	-12.6	7.1
18.Dairy products	26.12	35.28	37.11	-26.0	-29.6
19.Non-Ferrous Metal	25.24	28.70	24.81	-12.1	1.7
20.Non-metallic Mineral Manufactures	22.19	17.32	21.95	28.1	1.1
21.Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	20.95	26.84	23.52	-22.0	-11.0
22.Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	20.46	24.10	21.59	-15.1	-5.2
23.Paper and Paper Products	17.73	26.94	30.42	-34.2	-41.7
24.Textiles fiber & their waste	11.64	9.79	15.88	18.9	-26.7
25.Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials	11.57	11.52	13.38	0.5	-13.5
26.Rubber manufactured	10.47	10.01	12.89	4.6	-18.8
27.Fertilizers, manufactured	9.04	10.91	25.22	-17.1	-64.2
28.Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	5.74	30.13	11.23	-80.9	-48.8
29.OTHERS	274.69	336.17	284.36	-18.3	-3.4

- 1/includes on consignment and not on consignment
- 2/includes telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment

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