

PHILIPPINE IMPORTS BY MAJOR TYPE OF GOODS
 JANUARY 1998, DECEMBER AND JANUARY, 1997
 (FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	1998	1997		Growth Rate	
	JANUARY FOB Value	DECEMBER FOB Value	JANUARY FOB Value	(%) Monthly Annual	
Total Imports	2,832,066	2,794,586	2,837,888	1.34	-0.21
Capital Goods	1,286,885	1,187,407	1,042,954	8.38	23.39
Power Generating & Specialized Machines	300,976	308,253	337,467	-2.36	-10.81
Office & EDP Machines	159,393	140,241	85,467	13.66	86.50
Telecommunication Eqpt. & Elect. Mach.	637,139	604,191	471,505	5.45	35.13
Land Transport Eqpt. excl. Passenger					
Cars & Motorized Cycle	34,413	43,143	72,599	-20.24	-52.60
Aircraft, Ships and Boats	117,940	53,329	34,653	121.16	240.35
Prof.Sci.& Cont. Inst., Photographic Eqpt. & Optical Goods	37,024	38,250	41,263	-3.21	-10.27
Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods	1,026,981	1,041,376	1,170,965	-1.38	-12.30
Unprocessed Raw Materials	88,359	148,400	124,316	-40.46	-28.92
Wheat	12,962	51,784	15,036	-74.97	-13.79
Corn	328	3,803	4,440	-91.38	-92.61
Unmilled cereals excl. rice & corn	63	171	169	-63.16	-62.73
Crude materials, inedible	71,222	85,551	98,888	-16.75	-27.98
Pulp & waste paper	6,382	6,743	4,962	-5.36	28.62
Cotton	6,892	5,804	9,809	18.74	-29.74
Syn. Fibers	6,788	5,380	10,672	26.17	-36.40
Metalliferous ores	21,467	42,259	32,835	-49.20	-34.62
Others	29,694	25,365	40,610	17.07	-26.88
Tobacco, unmanufactured	3,783	7,091	5,783	-46.65	-34.58
Semi-Processed Raw Materials	938,622	892,976	1,046,649	5.11	-10.32
Feeding stuffs for animals	29,151	5,743	30,488	407.59	-4.38
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	5,292	2,351	4,363	125.11	21.30
Chemical	208,163	170,900	207,262	21.80	0.43
Chemical compounds	54,461	48,048	50,787	13.35	7.23
Medicinal & pharmaceutical chem.	31,974	20,945	20,504	52.66	55.94

Urea	6,102	4,890	7,406	24.79	-17.61
Fertilizer excl. urea	6,587	4,151	4,008	58.68	64.34
Artificial resins	53,306	45,730	70,962	16.57	-24.88
Others	55,734	47,136	53,595	18.24	3.99
Manufactured goods	262,916	249,177	321,543	5.51	-18.23
Paper & paper products	27,379	17,733	29,346	54.39	-6.70
Textile yarn, fabrics & made-up articles	64,880	55,463	73,234	16.98	-11.41
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	17,421	22,190	24,229	-21.49	-28.10
Iron & steel	69,504	66,518	99,239	4.49	-29.96
Non-ferrous metals	24,375	25,237	28,389	-3.42	-14.14
Metal products	43,641	43,254	38,410	0.89	13.62
Others	15,717	18,782	28,696	-16.32	-45.23
Embroideries	29,639	28,050	31,071	5.66	-4.61
Mat/Acc for the mftr. of elect. eqpt.	386,688	431,797	444,804	-10.45	-13.07
Iron ore, not agglomerated	16,772	4,958	7,118	238.30	135.63
Mineral Fuel & Lubricant	208,020	235,602	316,630	-11.71	-34.30
Coal, Coke	10,418	24,296	5,273	-57.12	97.58
Petroleum crude	171,721	179,173	278,442	-4.16	-38.33
Others	25,881	32,133	32,915	-19.46	-21.37
Consumer Goods	222,869	220,862	231,208	0.91	-3.61
Durable	92,907	108,897	127,904	-14.68	-27.36
Passenger cars & motorized cycle	33,894	51,693	68,989	-34.43	-50.87
Home appliances	7,839	5,949	9,055	31.76	-13.43
Misc. manufactures	51,174	51,255	49,860	-0.16	2.63
Non-Durable	129,962	111,965	103,304	16.07	25.81
Food & live animals chiefly for food	120,386	99,438	96,446	21.07	24.82
Dairy products	20,474	26,117	37,400	-21.61	-45.26
Fish & fish preparation	4,503	7,074	7,171	-36.34	-37.20
Rice	53,598	3,716	106	1,342.35	50,463.93
Fruits & vegetables	7,156	15,628	10,008	-54.21	-28.50
Others	34,655	46,903	41,761	-26.11	-17.01
Beverages & tobacco mfture.	4,857	7,577	2,751	-35.90	76.55
Articles of apparel, access.	4,719	4,950	4,107	-4.66	14.91
Special Transactions	87,018	109,339	76,122	-20.41	14.31
Articles temporarily imported & exported	63,493	86,735	50,187	-26.80	26.51
Others	23,525	22,604	25,935	4.07	-9.29

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

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