

TABLE 2. PHILIPPINE IMPORTS FROM ALL COUNTRIES
 SEPTEMBER, AUGUST 1998 AND SEPTEMBER 1997
 (F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

COMMODITY	1998		1997	GROWTH RATES (%)	
	SEPT	AUGUST	SEPT	MONTHLY	ANNUAL
TOTAL	2,454.41	2,508.47	2,956.48	-2.15	-16.98
1.Electronics and components 1/	531.76	561.03	500.38	-5.22	6.27
2.Telecommunication Equipment and Electrical Machinery 2/	235.52	205.79	295.28	14.45	-20.24
3.Materials/accessories imported on consignment basis for the manufacture of other electrical and electronic machinery & equipment	179.84	219.31	226.07	-18.00	-20.45
4.Industrial Machinery and Equipment	170.29	163.02	245.92	4.46	-30.75
5.Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	170.03	143.18	182.92	18.75	-7.05
6.Office and EDP Machines	129.28	104.81	139.81	23.35	-7.53
7.Transport equipment	96.67	65.08	145.07	48.55	-33.36
8.Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles and related products 1/	89.43	92.98	110.36	-3.82	-18.97
9.Iron and Steel	75.20	70.91	108.05	6.05	-30.41
10.Miscellaneous manufactured articles	68.63	67.08	48.43	2.31	41.72
11.Cereals and cereal preparations	67.01	101.09	46.54	-33.71	44.00
12.Power generating and Specialized Machinery	49.15	45.95	41.34	6.96	18.90
13.Plastics in primary and non-primary forms	46.69	49.97	78.82	-6.57	-40.77
14.Organic and inorganic chemical	43.51	47.11	71.52	-7.64	-39.16
15.Dairy products	30.54	26.44	37.41	15.49	-18.36
16.Professional, scientific and controlling instruments; photographic and optical goods, n.e.s,; watches and clocks	28.91	28.94	34.36	-0.10	-15.87
17.Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	27.84	20.74	24.77	34.23	12.39

18.Metal Products	26.34	33.05	52.88	-20.31	-50.19
19.Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	24.65	18.54	19.57	33.00	25.97
20.Non-Ferrous Metal	23.47	27.45	34.04	-14.50	-31.06
21.Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	21.55	22.28	27.57	-3.26	-21.84
22.Paper and Paper Products	18.57	21.28	32.43	-12.72	-42.73
23.Textiles fiber & their waste	16.06	12.14	16.67	32.34	-3.61
24.Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	13.33	14.16	12.06	-5.86	10.54
25.Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials	11.82	11.44	14.80	3.28	-20.16
26.Non-metallic Mineral Manufactures	10.28	10.38	22.08	-0.99	-53.46
27.Rubber manufactured	8.95	7.63	12.03	17.20	-25.67
28.Fertilizers, manufactured	4.38	28.21	16.67	-84.48	-73.72
29.OTHERS	234.74	288.51	358.64	-18.64	-34.55

1/includes on consignment and not on consignment

2/includes telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing
apparatus and equipment

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