

PHILIPPINE IMPORTS BY MAJOR TYPE OF GOODS: OCTOBER AND SEPTEMBER 1998 AND OCTOBER 1997  
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

| Commodity Group   | 1 9 9 8              |                        | 1997                 | Growth Rate (%) |        | Jan-Oct           |
|---|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|--------|-------------------|
|   | OCTOBER<br>FOB Value | SEPTEMBER<br>FOB Value | OCTOBER<br>FOB Value | Monthly         | Annual | 1998<br>FOB Value |
| Total Imports   | 2,417,367            | 2,454,453              | 3,413,800            | -1.51           | -29.19 | 25,224,815        |
| Capital Goods   | 1,003,589            | 1,080,913              | 1,374,674            | -7.15           | -26.99 | 10,443,407        |
| Power Generating & Specialized Machines                       | 194,568              | 219,248                | 332,517              | -11.26          | -41.49 | 2,211,276         |
| Office & EDP Machines   | 142,159              | 129,344                | 146,735              | 9.91            | -3.12  | 1,346,074         |
| Telecommunication Eqpt.& Elect. Mach.                         | 591,003              | 628,053                | 673,420              | -5.90           | -12.24 | 5,875,439         |
| Land Transport Eqpt. excl. Passenger                          |                      |                        |                      |                 |        |                   |
| Cars & Motorized Cycle  | 33,363               | 59,007                 | 53,655               | -43.46          | -37.82 | 360,084           |
| Aircraft, Ships and Boats                                     | 8,706                | 16,365                 | 127,904              | -46.80          | -93.19 | 314,037           |
| Prof.Sci.& Cont. Inst., Photographic Eqpt.<br>& Optical Goods | 33,792               | 28,896                 | 40,443               | 16.94           | -16.45 | 336,497           |
| Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods                            | 914,435              | 874,963                | 1,316,833            | 4.51            | -30.56 | 9,810,931         |
| Unprocessed Raw Materials                                     | 95,727               | 92,792                 | 157,497              | 3.16            | -39.22 | 991,324           |
| Wheat   | 9,403                | 22,998                 | 57,781               | -59.11          | -83.73 | 197,482           |
| Corn  | 1,505                | 1,848                  | 2,679                | -18.56          | -43.83 | 77,918            |
| Unmilled cereals excl. rice & corn                            | 127                  | 218                    | 132                  | -42.03          | -4.29  | 1,244             |
| Crude materials, inedible                                     | 73,571               | 58,836                 | 85,878               | 25.04           | -14.33 | 654,437           |
| Pulp & waste paper  | 5,434                | 5,440                  | 6,955                | -0.12           | -21.87 | 57,940            |
| Cotton  | 5,429                | 6,733                  | 5,821                | -19.37          | -6.73  | 48,873            |
| Syn. Fibers   | 5,768                | 9,007                  | 8,207                | -35.96          | -29.72 | 70,987            |
| Metalliferous ores  | 32,695               | 13,326                 | 25,651               | 145.36          | 27.46  | 186,935           |
| Others  | 24,245               | 24,330                 | 39,245               | -0.35           | -38.22 | 289,703           |
| Tobacco, unmanufactured                                       | 11,122               | 8,893                  | 11,027               | 25.06           | 0.86   | 60,243            |
| Semi-Processed Raw Materials                                  | 818,708              | 782,170                | 1,159,336            | 4.67            | -29.38 | 8,819,607         |
| Feeding stuffs for animals                                    | 12,105               | 24,657                 | 44,716               | -50.91          | -72.93 | 233,121           |
| Animal & vegetable oils & fats                                | 5,035                | 3,708                  | 5,314                | 35.79           | -5.25  | 49,007            |
| Chemical  | 174,626              | 172,413                | 275,941              | 1.28            | -36.72 | 1,847,427         |
| Chemical compounds  | 43,864               | 43,829                 | 52,748               | 0.08            | -16.84 | 469,900           |
| Medicinal & pharmaceutical chem.                              | 23,691               | 27,916                 | 34,014               | -15.14          | -30.35 | 260,595           |
| Urea  | -                    | 1,870                  | 6,274                | -               | -      | 56,251            |
| Fertilizer excl. urea   | 6,482                | 2,510                  | 18,866               | 158.26          | -65.64 | 71,362            |
| Artificial resins   | 42,984               | 46,676                 | 90,648               | -7.91           | -52.58 | 480,707           |
| Others  | 57,605               | 49,613                 | 73,391               | 16.11           | -21.51 | 508,613           |
| Manufactured goods  | 201,130              | 233,885                | 324,376              | -14.00          | -37.99 | 2,443,571         |
| Paper & paper products  | 21,074               | 18,571                 | 29,766               | 13.48           | -29.20 | 228,737           |
| Textile yarn, fabrics & made-up articles                      | 60,190               | 64,596                 | 78,056               | -6.82           | -22.89 | 680,519           |
| Non-metallic mineral manufactures                             | 10,776               | 10,292                 | 18,200               | 4.70            | -40.79 | 121,696           |
| Iron & steel  | 48,388               | 75,194                 | 100,372              | -35.65          | -51.79 | 687,844           |

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| Non-ferrous metals                       | 24,382  | 23,450  | 36,393  | 3.97   | -33.00    | 239,957   |
| Metal products                           | 24,158  | 26,323  | 38,504  | -8.23  | -37.26    | 326,972   |
| Others                                   | 12,162  | 15,459  | 23,086  | -21.33 | -47.32    | 157,847   |
| Embroideries                             | 28,645  | 25,588  | 32,096  | 11.95  | -10.75    | 294,702   |
| Mat/Acc for the mftr. of elect. eqpt.    | 387,154 | 319,075 | 469,094 | 21.34  | -17.47    | 3,882,465 |
| Iron ore, not agglomerated               | 10,013  | 2,844   | 7,799   | 252.04 | 28.39     | 69,314    |
| Mineral Fuel & Lubricant                 | 173,279 | 169,844 | 329,886 | 2.02   | -47.47    | 1,760,175 |
| Coal, Coke                               | 5,279   | 11,370  | 14,362  | -53.57 | -63.25    | 92,554    |
| Petroleum crude                          | 139,425 | 124,112 | 224,762 | 12.34  | -37.97    | 1,245,764 |
| Others                                   | 28,575  | 34,361  | 90,762  | -16.84 | -68.52    | 421,856   |
| Consumer Goods                           | 221,004 | 238,307 | 266,445 | -7.26  | -17.05    | 2,163,003 |
| Durable                                  | 80,098  | 78,960  | 143,675 | 1.44   | -44.25    | 753,764   |
| Passenger cars & motorized cycle         | 19,922  | 21,228  | 47,761  | -6.15  | -58.29    | 195,608   |
| Home appliances                          | 10,674  | 6,978   | 18,175  | 52.97  | -41.27    | 69,488    |
| Misc. manufactures                       | 49,502  | 50,754  | 77,739  | -2.47  | -36.32    | 488,669   |
| Non-Durable                              | 140,906 | 159,348 | 122,770 | -11.57 | 14.77     | 1,409,239 |
| Food & live animals chiefly for food     | 130,885 | 152,938 | 103,865 | -14.42 | 26.01     | 1,319,517 |
| Dairy products                           | 32,005  | 30,716  | 29,416  | 4.20   | 8.80      | 246,563   |
| Fish & fish preparation                  | 4,557   | 5,499   | 7,095   | -17.13 | -35.77    | 47,736    |
| Rice                                     | 35,444  | 38,072  | 65      | -6.90  | 54,759.93 | 522,383   |
| Fruits & vegetables                      | 10,374  | 7,742   | 14,115  | 34.00  | -26.50    | 80,558    |
| Others                                   | 48,504  | 70,908  | 53,175  | -31.60 | -8.78     | 422,277   |
| Beverages & tobacco mfture.              | 4,972   | 2,646   | 12,341  | 87.90  | -59.71    | 44,943    |
| Articles of apparel, access.             | 5,049   | 3,764   | 6,564   | 34.15  | -23.08    | 44,779    |
| Special Transactions                     | 105,059 | 90,425  | 125,962 | 16.18  | -16.59    | 1,047,300 |
| Articles temporarily imported & exported | 71,096  | 61,045  | 93,530  | 16.47  | -23.99    | 730,921   |
| Others                                   | 33,963  | 29,380  | 32,432  | 15.60  | 4.72      | 316,379   |

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

Source: Trade Statistics Division  
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