

TABLE 2. PHILIPPINE IMPORTS FROM ALL COUNTRIES: DECEMBER AND NOVEMBER 1998 AND DECEMBER 1997  
(F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

COMMODITY	1998		1997	GROWTH RATES (%)	
	DECEMBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	MONTHLY	ANNUAL
TOTAL	2,061.61	2,373.40	2,792.73	-13.14	-26.18
1. Electronics and components 1/	408.03	558.91	541.28	-27.00	-24.62
2. Telecommunication equipment and electrical machinery 2/	199.63	214.24	270.83	-6.82	-26.29
3. Materials/accessories imported on consignment basis for the manufacture of other electrical and electronic machinery & equipment	177.99	183.03	221.98	-2.75	-19.82
4. Industrial machinery and equipment	141.60	146.85	266.37	-3.57	-46.84
5. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	124.74	134.93	235.24	-7.55	-46.97
6. Office and EDP Machines	108.92	127.28	144.93	-14.43	-24.85
7. Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles and related products 1/	73.24	88.36	82.77	-17.11	-11.51
8. Cereals and cereal preparations	71.03	60.53	66.33	17.36	7.09
9. Transport equipment	56.62	85.26	148.33	-33.59	-61.83
10. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	51.35	65.70	36.73	-21.84	39.78
11. Plastics in primary and non-primary forms	45.33	42.98	45.70	5.48	-0.80
12. Organic and inorganic chemical	42.29	47.16	47.45	-10.34	-10.88
13. Iron and steel	36.48	39.57	65.97	-7.82	-44.71
14. Power generating and specialized machinery	35.75	31.90	40.14	12.07	-10.95
15. Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	27.47	22.70	20.95	21.01	31.09
16. Professional, scientific and controlling instruments; photographic and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	26.77	26.49	38.16	1.06	-29.86
17. Fertilizers, manufactured	26.05	8.11	9.03	221.36	188.39
18. Dairy products	23.29	30.25	26.74	-23.01	-12.90
19. Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	22.44	24.82	20.53	-9.60	9.29
20. Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	20.89	28.84	5.68	-27.59	267.89

21. Non-Ferrous metal	20.48	23.09	26.13	-11.30	-21.60
22. Metal products	18.68	25.76	43.12	-27.47	-56.67
23. Paper and paper products	18.03	19.33	17.81	-6.77	1.20
24. Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	14.88	28.07	42.25	-46.97	-64.77
25. Textiles fiber & their waste	13.91	9.88	11.61	40.78	19.79
26. Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12.13	10.24	22.84	18.40	-46.90
27. Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials	11.23	9.03	11.76	24.37	-4.53
28. Rubber manufactured	8.29	8.79	10.42	-5.62	-20.45
29. OTHERS	224.10	271.32	271.65	-17.40	-17.50

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1/ includes on consignment and not on consignment

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

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