

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

| Commodity Group | 1998 | NOVEMBER FOB Value | 1997 | Growth Rate (%) | | Jan-Dec |
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| | DECEMBER FOB Value | | DECEMBER FOB Value | Monthly | Annual | 1998 FOB Value |
| Total Imports | 2,061,611 | 2,373,401 | 2,792,733 | -13.14 | -26.18 | 29,659,874 |
| Capital Goods | 780,493 | 958,340 | 1,184,591 | -18.56 | -34.11 | 12,185,035 |
| Power Generating & Specialized Machines | 177,350 | 178,749 | 306,511 | -0.78 | -42.14 | 2,567,951 |
| Office & EDP Machines | 108,916 | 127,281 | 144,931 | -14.43 | -24.85 | 1,581,425 |
| Telecommunication Eqpt. & Elect. Mach. | 427,762 | 562,950 | 598,169 | -24.01 | -28.49 | 6,868,834 |
| Land Transport Eqpt. excl. Passenger | | | | | | |
| Cars & Motorized Cycle | 32,544 | 52,214 | 43,455 | -37.67 | -25.11 | 444,968 |
| Aircraft, Ships and Boats | 7,154 | 10,660 | 53,364 | -32.89 | -86.59 | 331,850 |
| Prof.Sci.& Cont. Inst., Photographic Eqpt. & Optical Goods | 26,767 | 26,485 | 38,161 | 1.06 | -29.86 | 390,007 |
| Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods | 864,162 | 914,418 | 1,042,971 | -5.50 | -17.14 | 11,585,197 |
| Unprocessed Raw Materials | 85,952 | 94,082 | 147,290 | -8.64 | -41.64 | 1,170,053 |
| Wheat | 29,119 | 22,096 | 51,784 | 31.78 | -43.77 | 248,697 |
| Corn | 101 | 298 | 3,803 | -66.15 | -97.35 | 78,317 |
| Unmilled cereals excl. rice & corn | 68 | 65 | 171 | 4.64 | -59.95 | 1,377 |
| Crude materials, inedible | 53,942 | 60,765 | 84,441 | -11.23 | -36.12 | 767,235 |
| Pulp & waste paper | 4,987 | 4,479 | 6,743 | 11.36 | -26.04 | 67,481 |
| Cotton | 6,691 | 4,651 | 5,804 | 43.87 | 15.29 | 60,215 |
| Syn. Fibers | 6,766 | 4,566 | 5,380 | 48.17 | 25.76 | 82,318 |
| Metalliferous ores | 14,884 | 28,066 | 42,251 | -46.97 | -64.77 | 229,877 |
| Others | 20,614 | 19,003 | 24,262 | 8.48 | -15.04 | 327,343 |
| Tobacco, unmanufactured | 2,722 | 10,858 | 7,091 | -74.93 | -61.62 | 74,427 |
| Semi-Processed Raw Materials | 778,210 | 820,335 | 895,681 | -5.14 | -13.12 | 10,415,143 |
| Feeding stuffs for animals | 20,885 | 28,842 | 5,677 | -27.59 | 267.89 | 282,845 |
| Animal & vegetable oils & fats | 3,780 | 6,671 | 2,051 | -43.35 | 84.29 | 58,773 |
| Chemical | 190,804 | 167,925 | 170,527 | 13.62 | 11.89 | 2,205,536 |
| Chemical compounds | 42,285 | 47,161 | 47,448 | -10.34 | -10.88 | 559,146 |
| Medicinal & pharmaceutical chem. | 27,467 | 22,700 | 20,953 | 21.00 | 31.09 | 310,651 |
| Urea | 7,834 | 3,766 | 4,890 | 108.01 | 60.22 | 67,851 |
| Fertilizer excl. urea | 18,219 | 4,341 | 4,145 | 319.66 | 339.58 | 93,923 |
| Artificial resins | 45,333 | 42,977 | 45,695 | 5.48 | -0.79 | 568,258 |
| Others | 49,666 | 46,979 | 47,396 | 5.72 | 4.79 | 605,707 |
| Manufactured goods | 171,980 | 192,099 | 248,753 | -10.47 | -30.86 | 2,807,464 |
| Paper & paper products | 18,026 | 19,334 | 17,812 | -6.76 | 1.20 | 266,067 |
| Textile yarn, fabrics & made-up articles | 50,201 | 58,731 | 54,993 | -14.52 | -8.71 | 789,427 |
| Non-metallic mineral manufactures | 12,125 | 10,242 | 22,836 | 18.39 | -46.90 | 144,089 |
| Iron & steel | 36,476 | 39,571 | 65,967 | -7.82 | -44.71 | 763,749 |

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| Non-ferrous metals | 20,484 | 23,093 | 26,126 | -11.30 | -21.59 | 283,544 |
| Metal products | 18,682 | 25,756 | 43,119 | -27.47 | -56.67 | 371,414 |
| Others | 15,986 | 15,371 | 17,899 | 4.00 | -10.69 | 189,175 |
| Embroideries | 23,040 | 29,633 | 27,774 | -22.25 | -17.04 | 345,936 |
| Mat/Acc for the mftr. of elect. eqpt. | 357,887 | 393,237 | 435,942 | -8.99 | -17.90 | 4,633,512 |
| Iron ore, not agglomerated | 9,834 | 1,928 | 4,958 | 409.96 | 98.35 | 81,076 |
| Mineral Fuel & Lubricant | 124,743 | 134,925 | 235,244 | -7.55 | -46.97 | 2,019,761 |
| Coal, Coke | 12,419 | 5,043 | 24,202 | 146.29 | -48.69 | 110,016 |
| Petroleum crude | 82,896 | 104,064 | 179,173 | -20.34 | -53.73 | 1,432,724 |
| Others | 29,428 | 25,819 | 31,868 | 13.98 | -7.66 | 477,021 |
| Consumer Goods | 213,893 | 247,890 | 220,527 | -13.71 | -3.01 | 2,623,789 |
| Durable | 64,735 | 83,828 | 108,119 | -22.78 | -40.13 | 902,442 |
| Passenger cars & motorized cycle | 16,910 | 22,382 | 51,574 | -24.45 | -67.21 | 234,876 |
| Home appliances | 8,998 | 11,873 | 5,937 | -24.21 | 51.57 | 90,346 |
| Misc. manufactures | 38,826 | 49,574 | 50,609 | -21.68 | -23.28 | 577,220 |
| Non-Durable | 149,158 | 164,062 | 112,408 | -9.08 | 32.69 | 1,721,347 |
| Food & live animals chiefly for food | 132,922 | 150,692 | 100,456 | -11.79 | 32.32 | 1,602,844 |
| Dairy products | 23,292 | 30,253 | 26,741 | -23.01 | -12.90 | 300,287 |
| Fish & fish preparation | 3,121 | 6,160 | 7,108 | -49.33 | -56.09 | 57,017 |
| Rice | 32,814 | 30,671 | 3,716 | 6.99 | 783.04 | 585,867 |
| Fruits & vegetables | 14,191 | 13,363 | 15,629 | 6.20 | -9.21 | 108,075 |
| Others | 59,505 | 70,245 | 47,262 | -15.29 | 25.91 | 551,597 |
| Beverages & tobacco mfture. | 13,001 | 7,337 | 7,005 | 77.18 | 85.59 | 64,450 |
| Articles of apparel, access. | 3,235 | 6,032 | 4,946 | -46.36 | -34.59 | 54,053 |
| Special Transactions | 78,321 | 117,828 | 109,401 | -33.53 | -28.41 | 1,246,092 |
| Articles temporarily imported & exported | 59,202 | 88,386 | 86,809 | -33.02 | -31.80 | 878,633 |
| Others | 19,119 | 29,442 | 22,592 | -35.06 | -15.37 | 367,459 |

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

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