

PHILIPPINE IMPORTS BY MAJOR TYPE OF GOODS
MAY AND APRIL 1999 AND MAY 1998
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	1999		1998	Growth Rate		Jan-May
	MAY FOB Value	APRIL FOB Value	MAY FOB Value	Monthly (%)	Annual	1999 FOB Value
Total Imports	2,533,475	2,597,748	2,624,021	-2.47	-3.45	12,436,363
Capital Goods	882,243	942,035	1,043,766	-6.35	-15.47	4,698,205
Power Generating & Specialized Machines	189,870	230,015	197,529	-17.45	-3.88	1,056,124
Office & EDP Machines	117,147	129,301	126,332	-9.40	-7.27	592,245
Telecommunication Eqpt. & Elect. Mach.	485,571	509,262	642,013	-4.65	-24.37	2,625,228
Land Transport Eqpt. excl. Passenger						
Cars & Motorized Cycle	42,367	40,668	24,563	4.18	72.48	215,530
Aircraft, Ships and Boats	3,759	7,915	20,276	-52.51	-81.46	43,292
Prof.Sci.& Cont. Inst., Photographic Eqpt. & Optical Goods	43,529	24,874	33,053	75.00	31.70	165,787
Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods	1,103,687	1,139,446	1,061,345	-3.14	3.99	5,227,516
Unprocessed Raw Materials	156,084	126,752	84,638	23.14	84.41	590,439
Wheat	36,700	35,708	9,338	2.78	293.02	134,244
Corn	329	179	16,907	84.27	-98.05	2,131
Unmilled cereals excl. rice & corn	128	134	59	-4.05	118.79	826
Crude materials, inedible	110,533	77,232	52,145	43.12	111.97	403,087
Pulp & waste paper	7,577	10,473	5,160	-27.65	46.84	32,454
Cotton	6,018	6,881	3,159	-12.54	90.48	26,661
Syn. Fibers	6,769	6,504	8,298	4.07	-18.43	33,067
Metalliferous ores	37,756	21,272	7,419	77.49	408.91	116,538
Others	52,413	32,101	28,108	63.28	86.47	194,368
Tobacco, unmanufactured	8,393	13,500	6,190	-37.83	35.60	50,150
Semi-Processed Raw Materials	947,603	1,012,693	976,706	-6.43	-2.98	4,637,077
Feeding stuffs for animals	14,304	8,080	21,739	77.03	-34.20	78,918
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	14,834	8,567	4,830	73.15	207.11	40,175
Chemical	216,552	198,943	166,483	8.85	30.07	968,202
Chemical compounds	53,686	50,940	40,912	5.39	31.22	253,994
Medicinal & pharmaceutical chem.	35,105	25,825	25,218	35.93	39.21	139,477
Urea	10,913	6,622	5,131	64.80	112.68	37,119
Fertilizer excl. urea	4,404	7,784	2,830	-43.42	55.62	35,816
Artificial resins	50,999	49,056	45,742	3.96	11.49	230,375
Others	61,445	58,716	46,650	4.65	31.72	271,422
Manufactured goods	323,314	295,323	247,259	9.48	30.76	1,282,593
Paper & paper products	28,910	26,121	27,010	10.68	7.03	121,361
Textile yarn, fabrics & made-up articles	90,760	83,786	78,448	8.32	15.70	360,596
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	15,464	15,635	12,033	-1.09	28.51	72,045
Iron & steel	113,805	91,665	61,203	24.15	85.95	381,338
Non-ferrous metals	28,225	29,040	22,644	-2.81	24.65	133,350
Metal products	26,637	29,025	31,348	-8.23	-15.03	120,931
Others	19,513	20,051	14,573	-2.68	33.89	92,972
Embroideries	32,976	34,330	27,805	-3.94	18.60	141,709
Mat/Acc for the mftr. of elect. eqpt.	345,624	467,451	501,004	-26.06	-31.01	2,102,557
Iron ore, not agglomerated	0	0	7,586	-	-100.00	22,922
Mineral Fuel & Lubricant	193,407	165,432	191,279	16.91	1.11	784,567
Coal, Coke	7,101	7,188	7,333	-1.21	-3.17	32,916
Petroleum crude	155,603	141,069	125,237	10.30	24.25	631,244
Others	30,703	17,175	58,709	78.76	-47.70	120,407
Consumer Goods	230,449	218,065	199,053	5.68	15.77	1,108,624
Durable	97,006	87,499	67,238	10.86	44.27	391,022
Passenger cars & motorized cycle	20,904	25,052	14,517	-16.56	43.99	103,702
Home appliances	10,470	12,751	5,317	-17.89	96.91	45,959
Misc. manufactures	65,632	49,696	47,404	32.07	38.45	241,361
Non-Durable	133,443	130,566	131,815	2.20	1.23	717,602
Food & live animals chiefly for food	122,255	119,640	120,533	2.19	1.43	671,096
Dairy products	28,603	24,754	19,584	15.54	46.05	125,227
Fish & fish preparation	4,013	9,060	4,048	-55.70	-0.85	35,515
Rice	26,627	23,593	58,621	12.86	-54.58	196,725
Fruits & vegetables	12,626	10,466	6,914	20.64	82.61	57,621
Others	50,387	51,767	31,366	-2.67	60.64	256,009
Beverages & tobacco mfture.	6,666	7,679	6,718	-13.18	-0.77	26,166
Articles of apparel, access.	4,521	3,246	4,564	39.27	-0.93	20,340
Special Transactions	123,688	132,770	128,578	-6.84	-3.80	617,451
Articles temporarily imported & exported	97,022	98,581	93,957	-1.58	3.26	467,028
Others	26,666	34,188	34,621	-22.00	-22.98	150,423

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

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