

Table 3 Philippine Imports by Major Type of Goods
April and March 2008 and April 2007
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	2008				2007		Growth Rate (%)	
	April p FOB Value	% Share	March r FOB Value	% Share	April FOB Value	% Share	Monthly	Annual
Total Imports	4,855,497	100.00	5,121,821	100.00	4,342,797	100.00	(5.20)	11.81
Capital Goods	1,366,177	28.14	1,434,533	28.01	1,135,965	26.16	(4.77)	20.27
Power generating and specialized machines	233,271	4.80	205,165	4.01	170,607	3.93	13.70	36.73
Office and electronic data processing machines	251,344	5.18	256,678	5.01	232,528	5.35	(2.08)	8.09
Telecommunication equipment and electrical machines	648,457	13.36	778,953	15.21	530,217	12.21	(16.75)	22.30
Land transport equipment excluding passenger cars and motorized cycle	59,611	1.23	63,631	1.24	50,304	1.16	(6.32)	18.50
Aircraft, Ships and Boats	137,526	2.83	87,736	1.71	107,793	2.48	56.75	27.58
Professional scientific and controlling instruments, photographic equipment and optical goods	35,968	0.74	42,370	0.83	44,517	1.03	(15.11)	(19.20)
Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods	1,840,905	37.91	1,925,121	37.59	1,906,520	43.90	(4.37)	(3.44)
Unprocessed Raw Materials	216,323	4.46	141,889	2.77	98,523	2.27	52.46	119.57
Wheat	69,465	1.43	72,393	1.41	8,860	0.20	(4.04)	683.99
Corn	4,060	0.08	2,207	0.04	2,614	0.06	83.96	55.34
Unmilled cereals excluding rice and corn	1,195	0.02	810	0.02	281	0.01	47.52	325.36
Crude materials, inedible	120,167	2.47	55,791	1.09	72,278	1.66	115.39	66.26
Pulp & waste paper	5,662	0.12	6,233	0.12	4,543	0.10	(9.16)	24.63
Cotton	1,585	0.03	2,217	0.04	3,913	0.09	(28.53)	(59.50)
Syn. Fibers	4,833	0.10	6,552	0.13	6,341	0.15	(26.24)	(23.79)
Metalliferous ores	55,866	1.15	8,260	0.16	17,925	0.41	576.36	211.66
Others	52,221	1.08	32,530	0.64	39,556	0.91	60.53	32.02
Tobacco, unmanufactured	21,436	0.44	10,688	0.21	14,490	0.33	100.56	47.94
Semi-Processed Raw Materials	1,624,582	33.46	1,783,232	34.82	1,807,997	41.63	(8.90)	(10.14)
Feeding stuffs for animals	62,727	1.29	71,947	1.40	31,486	0.73	(12.82)	99.23
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	21,349	0.44	18,433	0.36	9,102	0.21	15.82	134.56
Chemical	439,660	9.05	438,612	8.56	301,980	6.95	0.24	45.59
Chemical compounds	94,319	1.94	121,494	2.37	80,505	1.85	(22.37)	17.16
Medicinal and pharmaceutical chemical	56,918	1.17	66,392	1.30	48,850	1.12	(14.27)	16.52
Urea	30,609	0.63	5,390	0.11	5,250	0.12	467.88	483.07
Fertilizer excl. urea	60,682	1.25	36,708	0.72	8,422	0.19	65.31	620.49
Artificial resins	90,347	1.86	102,806	2.01	71,922	1.66	(12.12)	25.62
Others	106,783	2.20	105,823	2.07	87,031	2.00	0.91	22.70
Manufactured goods	347,483	7.16	351,525	6.86	370,853	8.54	(1.15)	(6.30)
Paper & paper products	39,784	0.82	44,517	0.87	40,660	0.94	(10.63)	(2.15)
Textile yarn, fabrics and made-up articles	62,204	1.28	61,060	1.19	82,605	1.90	1.87	(24.70)
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	20,631	0.42	20,983	0.41	17,040	0.39	(1.68)	21.07
Iron & steel	136,423	2.81	131,993	2.58	110,702	2.55	3.36	23.23
Non-ferrous metals	39,968	0.82	40,402	0.79	57,531	1.32	(1.07)	(30.53)
Metal products	28,187	0.58	31,205	0.61	38,928	0.90	(9.67)	(27.59)
Others	20,286	0.42	21,364	0.42	23,386	0.54	(5.05)	(13.25)
Embroideries	16,406	0.34	12,381	0.24	29,627	0.68	32.51	(44.63)
Materials/Accessories for the manufacture of electrical equipment	725,789	14.95	880,812	17.20	1,043,840	24.04	(17.60)	(30.47)
Iron ore, not agglomerated	11,168	0.23	9,522	0.19	21,109	0.49	17.29	(47.10)
Mineral fuels, lubricant and Related materials	1,037,369	21.36	1,169,140	22.83	912,084	21.00	(11.27)	13.74
Coal, Coke	19,136	0.39	14,560	0.28	23,692	0.55	31.42	(19.23)
Petroleum crude	597,794	12.31	598,670	11.69	564,893	13.01	(0.15)	5.82
Others	420,438	8.66	555,910	10.85	323,499	7.45	(24.37)	29.97
Consumer Goods	551,332	11.35	528,872	10.33	339,306	7.81	4.25	62.49
Durable	210,309	4.33	215,834	4.21	140,572	3.24	(2.56)	49.61
Passenger cars & motorized cycle	108,718	2.24	118,438	2.31	66,297	1.53	(8.21)	63.99
Home appliances	21,122	0.44	22,115	0.43	16,417	0.38	(4.49)	28.66
Misc. manufactures	80,470	1.66	75,280	1.47	57,858	1.33	6.89	39.08
Non-Durable	341,023	7.02	313,038	6.11	198,734	4.58	8.94	71.60
Food and live animals chiefly for food	328,023	6.76	299,103	5.84	187,191	4.31	9.67	75.23
Dairy products	43,428	0.89	84,167	1.64	39,341	0.91	(48.40)	10.39
Fish & fish preparation	11,571	0.24	7,038	0.14	4,527	0.10	64.41	155.62
Rice	155,160	3.20	90,645	1.77	56,637	1.30	71.17	173.96
Fruits & vegetables	16,970	0.35	19,645	0.38	11,986	0.28	(13.62)	41.58
Others	100,894	2.08	97,608	1.91	74,699	1.72	3.37	35.07
Beverages & tobacco mfture.	5,396	0.11	5,334	0.10	4,359	0.10	1.16	23.78
Articles of apparel, access.	7,604	0.16	8,601	0.17	7,184	0.17	(11.59)	5.84
Special Transactions	59,714	1.23	64,154	1.25	48,922	1.13	(6.92)	22.06
Articles temporarily imported & exported	23,195	0.48	21,350	0.42	16,468	0.38	8.64	40.85
Others	36,519	0.75	42,804	0.84	32,454	0.75	(14.68)	12.52

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