

Table 3. Philippine Imports by Major Type of Goods
September and August 2003 and September 2002
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	2003				2002		Growth Rate (%)	
	September		August		September		Monthly	Annual
	FOB Value	% share	FOB Value	% share	FOB Value	% share		
Total Imports	3,045,510	100.00	3,103,978	100.00	3,189,880	100.00	(1.88)	(4.53)
Capital Goods	1,297,846	42.62	1,256,541	40.48	1,217,064	38.15	3.29	6.64
Power generating and specialized machines	156,356	5.13	162,428	5.23	159,345	5.00	(3.74)	(1.88)
Office and electronic data processing machines	303,606	9.97	272,047	8.76	311,535	9.77	11.60	(2.55)
Telecommunication equipment and electrical machines	708,813	23.27	716,414	23.08	644,330	20.20	(1.06)	10.01
Land transport equipment excluding passenger cars and motorized cycle	68,399	2.25	60,553	1.95	68,064	2.13	12.96	0.49
Aircraft, ships and boats	14,919	0.49	10,620	0.34	4,432	0.14	40.48	236.60
Professional scientific and controlling instruments, photographic equipment and optical goods	45,754	1.50	34,480	1.11	29,358	0.92	32.70	55.85
Raw materials and intermediate goods	1,122,305	36.85	1,163,072	37.47	1,302,022	40.82	(3.51)	(13.80)
Unprocessed raw materials	113,369	3.72	93,508	3.01	134,995	4.23	21.24	(16.02)
Wheat	26,348	0.87	25,516	0.82	60,491	1.90	3.26	(56.44)
Corn	9,822	0.32	874	0.03	7,449	0.23	1,024.31	31.85
Unmilled cereals excluding rice and corn	99	0.00	189	0.01	208	0.01	(47.72)	(52.44)
Crude materials, inedible	73,237	2.40	59,522	1.92	61,655	1.93	23.04	18.78
Pulp and waste paper	4,845	0.16	5,243	0.17	4,448	0.14	(7.58)	8.93
Cotton	2,002	0.07	3,311	0.11	4,156	0.13	(39.55)	(51.84)
Synthetic Fibers	6,786	0.22	8,251	0.27	6,431	0.20	(17.75)	5.53
Metalliferous ores	36,960	1.21	1,244	0.04	902	0.03	2,872.23	3,999.21
Others	22,643	0.74	41,474	1.34	45,719	1.43	(45.40)	(50.47)
Tobacco, unmanufactured	3,864	0.13	7,406	0.24	5,192	0.16	(47.83)	(25.58)
Semi-Processed Raw Materials	1,008,936	33.13	1,069,565	34.46	1,167,027	36.59	(5.67)	(13.55)
Feeding stuffs for animals	50,113	1.65	18,925	0.61	27,721	0.87	164.79	80.77
Animal and vegetable oils & fats	3,949	0.13	5,258	0.17	3,285	0.10	(24.89)	20.22
Chemical	219,925	7.22	237,353	7.65	220,113	6.90	(7.34)	(0.09)
Chemical compounds	43,180	1.42	53,131	1.71	51,729	1.62	(18.73)	(16.53)
Medicinal and pharmaceutical chemicals	35,291	1.16	35,240	1.14	32,678	1.02	0.14	7.99
Urea	10,414	0.34	8,511	0.27	3,634	0.11	22.35	186.57
Fertilizer excluding urea	4,937	0.16	5,323	0.17	13,213	0.41	(7.25)	(62.63)
Artificial resins	60,114	1.97	64,300	2.07	56,914	1.78	(6.51)	5.62
Others	65,991	2.17	70,847	2.28	61,944	1.94	(6.85)	6.53
Manufactured goods	238,550	7.83	236,810	7.63	279,178	8.75	0.73	(14.55)
Paper and paper products	25,859	0.85	31,125	1.00	28,761	0.90	(16.92)	(10.09)
Textile yarn, fabrics and made-up articles	52,562	1.73	46,645	1.50	66,526	2.09	12.69	(20.99)
Nonmetallic mineral manufactures	12,809	0.42	13,234	0.43	11,198	0.35	(3.21)	14.39
Iron and steel	73,889	2.43	72,313	2.33	101,374	3.18	2.18	(27.11)
Nonferrous metals	29,048	0.95	27,771	0.89	32,645	1.02	4.60	(11.02)
Metal products	26,215	0.86	25,843	0.83	20,835	0.65	1.44	25.82
Others	18,167	0.60	19,879	0.64	17,838	0.56	(8.61)	1.85
Embroideries	16,151	0.53	18,287	0.59	24,010	0.75	(11.68)	(32.73)
Materials/accessories for the manufacture of electrical equipment	473,655	15.55	546,928	17.62	610,251	19.13	(13.40)	(22.38)
Iron ore, not agglomerated	6,593	0.22	6,004	0.19	2,469	0.08	9.81	166.99
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	297,234	9.76	320,562	10.33	295,853	9.27	(7.28)	0.47
Coal, Coke	10,375	0.34	9,322	0.30	10,143	0.32	11.30	2.29
Petroleum crude	212,101	6.96	224,552	7.23	232,759	7.30	(5.54)	(8.88)
Others	74,758	2.45	86,688	2.79	52,952	1.66	(13.76)	41.18
Consumer Goods	221,122	7.26	242,317	7.81	267,183	8.38	(8.75)	(17.24)
Durable	88,535	2.91	86,345	2.78	86,179	2.70	2.54	2.73
Passenger cars and motorized cycle	33,161	1.09	29,407	0.95	30,583	0.96	12.76	8.43
Home appliances	14,612	0.48	12,330	0.40	10,171	0.32	18.51	43.66
Miscellaneous manufactures	40,762	1.34	44,608	1.44	45,425	1.42	(8.62)	(10.26)
Non-Durable	132,587	4.35	155,972	5.02	181,004	5.67	(14.99)	(26.75)
Food and live animals chiefly for food	114,694	3.77	134,962	4.35	165,702	5.19	(15.02)	(30.78)
Dairy products	30,009	0.99	44,295	1.43	32,902	1.03	(32.25)	(8.79)
Fish and fish preparation	1,908	0.06	1,187	0.04	4,771	0.15	60.78	(60.01)
Rice	16,168	0.53	27,274	0.88	56,298	1.76	(40.72)	(71.28)
Fruits and vegetables	6,589	0.22	8,685	0.28	7,828	0.25	(24.14)	(15.83)
Others	60,020	1.97	53,521	1.72	63,903	2.00	12.14	(6.07)
Beverages and tobacco manufacture	14,122	0.46	15,768	0.51	11,258	0.35	(10.44)	25.44
Articles of apparel, accessories	3,771	0.12	5,242	0.17	4,044	0.13	(28.06)	(6.75)
Special Transactions	107,002	3.51	121,484	3.91	107,758	3.38	(11.92)	(0.70)
Articles temporarily imported and exported	65,330	2.15	71,023	2.29	86,258	2.70	(8.02)	(24.26)
Others	41,673	1.37	50,461	1.63	21,500	0.67	(17.42)	93.82

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