

Table 3. Philippine Imports by Major Type of Goods
April and March 2004 and April 2003
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	2004				2003		Growth Rate (%)	
	April		March		April		Monthly	Annual
	FOB Value	% share	FOB Value	% share	FOB Value	% share		
Total Imports	3,450,206	100.00	3,578,791	100.00	3,185,448	100.00	(3.59)	8.31
Capital Goods	1,399,256	40.56	1,433,587	40.06	1,212,486	38.06	(2.39)	15.40
Power generating and specialized machines	194,275	5.63	183,466	5.13	160,100	5.03	5.89	21.35
Office and electronic data processing machines	310,159	8.99	310,431	8.67	282,256	8.86	(0.09)	9.89
Telecommunication equipment and electrical machines	796,420	23.08	818,443	22.87	654,342	20.54	(2.69)	21.71
Land transport equipment excluding passenger cars and motorized cycle	46,858	1.36	45,176	1.26	73,042	2.29	3.72	(35.85)
Aircraft, Ships and Boats	7,645	0.22	32,541	0.91	16,192	0.51	(76.51)	(52.78)
Professional scientific and controlling instruments, photographic equipment and optical goods	43,899	1.27	43,530	1.22	26,553	0.83	0.85	65.32
Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods	1,311,344	38.01	1,371,261	38.32	1,328,759	41.71	(4.37)	(1.31)
Unprocessed Raw Materials	152,713	4.43	156,928	4.38	133,998	4.21	(2.69)	13.97
Wheat	19,994	0.58	40,658	1.14	37,885	1.19	(50.82)	(47.22)
Corn	1,976	0.06	856	0.02	719	0.02	130.92	174.78
Unmilled cereals excluding rice and corn	228	0.01	238	0.01	239	0.01	(4.13)	(4.43)
Crude materials, inedible	115,926	3.36	104,113	2.91	83,498	2.62	11.35	38.84
Pulp & waste paper	7,053	0.20	6,082	0.17	6,878	0.22	15.97	2.55
Cotton	7,340	0.21	3,311	0.09	3,721	0.12	121.71	97.27
Syn. Fibers	9,978	0.29	7,295	0.20	7,793	0.24	36.78	28.05
Metalliferous ores	41,866	1.21	46,170	1.29	35,706	1.12	(9.32)	17.25
Others	49,687	1.44	41,255	1.15	29,400	0.92	20.44	69.00
Tobacco, unmanufactured	14,588	0.42	11,064	0.31	11,657	0.37	31.86	25.14
Semi-Processed Raw Materials	1,158,631	33.58	1,214,333	33.93	1,194,761	37.51	(4.59)	(3.02)
Feeding stuffs for animals	28,009	0.81	41,742	1.17	12,729	0.40	(32.90)	120.05
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	9,830	0.28	8,988	0.25	5,763	0.18	9.37	70.59
Chemical	260,672	7.56	268,002	7.49	264,603	8.31	(2.73)	(1.49)
Chemical compounds	56,796	1.65	62,254	1.74	68,200	2.14	(8.77)	(16.72)
Medicinal and pharmaceutical chemical	32,656	0.95	37,807	1.06	33,570	1.05	(13.62)	(2.72)
Urea	3,212	0.09	2,649	0.07	6,143	0.19	21.23	(47.72)
Fertilizer excl. urea	8,343	0.24	3,138	0.09	12,825	0.40	165.90	(34.95)
Artificial resins	77,282	2.24	76,612	2.14	68,339	2.15	0.87	13.09
Others	82,385	2.39	85,542	2.39	75,526	2.37	(3.69)	9.08
Manufactured goods	330,322	9.57	322,732	9.02	350,345	11.00	2.35	(5.72)
Paper & paper products	31,706	0.92	33,990	0.95	34,610	1.09	(6.72)	(8.39)
Textile yarn, fabrics and made-up articles	68,151	1.98	66,658	1.86	69,321	2.18	2.24	(1.69)
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,097	0.35	13,274	0.37	12,354	0.39	(8.87)	(2.08)
Iron & steel	126,471	3.67	134,983	3.77	148,680	4.67	(6.31)	(14.94)
Non-ferrous metals	35,845	1.04	38,555	1.08	35,119	1.10	(7.03)	2.07
Metal products	35,409	1.03	19,923	0.56	30,170	0.95	77.73	17.36
Others	20,643	0.60	15,348	0.43	20,092	0.63	34.50	2.74
Embroideries	22,665	0.66	16,103	0.45	33,902	1.06	40.75	(33.15)
Materials/Accessories for the manufacture of electrical equipment	505,275	14.64	552,746	15.45	523,310	16.43	(8.59)	(3.45)
Iron ore, not agglomerated	1,857	0.05	4,020	0.11	4,109	0.13	(53.81)	(54.82)
Mineral fuels, lubricant and Related materials	333,822	9.68	405,703	11.34	307,014	9.64	(17.72)	8.73
Coal, Coke	7,514	0.22	7,214	0.20	9,990	0.31	4.16	(24.78)
Petroleum crude	129,635	3.76	174,317	4.87	220,487	6.92	(25.63)	(41.21)
Others	196,674	5.70	224,172	6.26	76,537	2.40	(12.27)	156.96
Consumer Goods	262,458	7.61	221,082	6.18	234,655	7.37	18.72	11.85
Durable	102,457	2.97	101,563	2.84	99,119	3.11	0.88	3.37
Passenger cars & motorized cycle	31,862	0.92	37,483	1.05	34,422	1.08	(14.99)	(7.43)
Home appliances	20,743	0.60	18,983	0.53	16,896	0.53	9.27	22.77
Misc. manufactures	49,852	1.44	45,097	1.26	47,801	1.50	10.54	4.29
Non-Durable	160,001	4.64	119,519	3.34	135,536	4.25	33.87	18.05
Food and live animals chiefly for food	147,784	4.28	109,108	3.05	117,070	3.68	35.45	26.24
Dairy products	42,602	1.23	32,255	0.90	29,130	0.91	32.08	46.25
Fish & fish preparation	2,596	0.08	2,281	0.06	4,539	0.14	13.81	(42.81)
Rice	30,956	0.90	12,925	0.36	16,721	0.52	139.50	85.13
Fruits & vegetables	6,852	0.20	10,427	0.29	7,718	0.24	(34.29)	(11.22)
Others	64,779	1.88	51,219	1.43	58,962	1.85	26.47	9.87
Beverages and tobacco manufacture	6,530	0.19	4,998	0.14	13,122	0.41	30.65	(50.24)
Articles of apparel, accessories	5,687	0.16	5,414	0.15	5,344	0.17	5.05	6.42
Special Transactions	143,326	4.15	147,158	4.11	102,534	3.22	(2.60)	39.78
Articles temporarily imported and exported	110,711	3.21	103,812	2.90	61,147	1.92	6.65	81.06
Others	32,616	0.95	43,345	1.21	41,387	1.30	(24.75)	(21.19)

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

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