

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

Commodity Group	2003				2002		Growth Rate (%)		Jan - Mar
	March		February		March		Monthly	Annual	2003
	FOB Value	% share	FOB Value	% share	FOB Value	% share			FOB Value
Total Imports	3,424,217	100.00	2,816,265	100.00	3,072,762	100.00	21.59	11.44	9,157,804
Capital Goods	1,346,099	39.31	1,151,719	40.90	1,216,851	39.60	16.88	10.62	3,572,690
Power generating and specialized machines	162,591	4.75	142,008	5.04	149,363	4.86	14.49	8.86	441,243
Office and EDP machines	244,637	7.14	259,127	9.20	303,377	9.87	(5.59)	(19.36)	737,649
Telecommunication equipment and electrical machines	807,567	23.58	633,127	22.48	681,692	22.18	27.55	18.47	2,036,677
Land Transport Equipment excluding passenger cars and motorized cycle	82,762	2.42	79,323	2.82	52,124	1.70	4.34	58.78	240,064
Aircraft, ships and boats	9,515	0.28	8,494	0.30	1,945	0.06	12.02	389.19	21,853
Professional scientific and controlling instruments, photographic equipment and optical goods	39,026	1.14	29,640	1.05	28,351	0.92	31.67	37.66	95,204
Raw Materials and Intermediate Goods	1,350,045	39.43	1,043,126	37.04	1,296,727	42.20	29.42	4.11	3,595,066
Unprocessed raw materials	118,555	3.46	100,535	3.57	116,092	3.78	17.92	2.12	357,512
Wheat	24,985	0.73	26,779	0.95	22,795	0.74	(6.70)	9.61	97,081
Corn	1,059	0.03	1,609	0.06	8,890	0.29	(34.21)	(88.09)	2,766
Unmilled cereals excluding rice and corn	207	0.01	115	0.00	210	0.01	80.68	(1.49)	520
Crude materials, inedible	82,616	2.41	69,626	2.47	77,883	2.53	18.66	6.08	240,118
Pulp and waste paper	5,696	0.17	4,319	0.15	6,298	0.20	31.88	(9.56)	14,706
Cotton	3,952	0.12	4,249	0.15	4,921	0.16	(6.99)	(19.69)	11,071
Synthetic fibers	7,858	0.23	7,101	0.25	5,278	0.17	10.66	48.88	21,348
Metalliferous ores	35,576	1.04	26,456	0.94	27,583	0.90	34.47	28.98	98,857
Others	29,535	0.86	27,501	0.98	33,804	1.10	7.40	(12.63)	94,136
Tobacco, unmanufactured	9,688	0.28	2,406	0.09	6,314	0.21	302.62	53.42	17,027
Semiprocessed raw materials	1,231,490	35.96	942,591	33.47	1,180,634	38.42	30.65	4.31	3,237,554
Feeding stuffs for animals	27,474	0.80	11,253	0.40	31,584	1.03	144.15	(13.01)	72,548
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	6,300	0.18	4,253	0.15	4,810	0.16	48.13	30.98	16,745
Chemical	266,176	7.77	218,626	7.76	195,820	6.37	21.75	35.93	711,316
Chemical compounds	69,535	2.03	58,078	2.06	45,567	1.48	19.73	52.60	183,974
Medicinal and pharmaceutical chemicals	38,812	1.13	27,789	0.99	26,022	0.85	39.67	49.15	102,880
Urea	3,624	0.11	4,933	0.18	6,023	0.20	(26.53)	(39.82)	10,322
Fertilizer, excluding urea	5,396	0.16	5,510	0.20	3,824	0.12	(2.06)	41.12	21,906
Artificial resins	68,953	2.01	56,799	2.02	52,396	1.71	21.40	31.60	182,291
Others	79,856	2.33	65,517	2.33	61,987	2.02	21.89	28.83	209,943
Manufactured goods	315,634	9.22	250,089	8.88	257,583	8.38	26.21	22.54	839,875
Paper and paper products	33,018	0.96	23,290	0.83	26,383	0.86	41.77	25.15	88,093
Textile yarn, fabrics and made-up articles	76,992	2.25	46,084	1.64	63,351	2.06	67.07	21.53	188,789
Nonmetallic mineral manufactures	14,606	0.43	11,415	0.41	17,018	0.55	27.95	(14.17)	38,686
Iron and steel	104,497	3.05	107,497	3.82	78,931	2.57	(2.79)	32.39	300,839
Nonferrous metals	37,657	1.10	26,359	0.94	26,726	0.87	42.86	40.90	93,726
Metal products	28,116	0.82	20,816	0.74	27,851	0.91	35.07	0.95	75,070
Others	20,749	0.61	14,627	0.52	17,322	0.56	41.86	19.78	54,671
Embroideries	23,247	0.68	15,704	0.56	15,479	0.50	48.03	50.18	63,697
Materials/accessories for the manufacture of electrical equipment	588,399	17.18	435,856	15.48	671,209	21.84	35.00	(12.34)	1,514,944
Iron ore, not agglomerated	4,260	0.12	6,812	0.24	4,150	0.14	(37.46)	2.65	18,431
Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials	368,040	10.75	364,675	12.95	244,747	7.97	0.92	50.38	1,061,933
Coal, coke	5,576	0.16	7,009	0.25	8,651	0.28	(20.45)	(35.55)	21,207
Petroleum crude	229,852	6.71	251,862	8.94	134,323	4.37	(8.74)	71.12	716,564
Others	132,612	3.87	105,804	3.76	101,773	3.31	25.34	30.30	324,161
Consumer Goods	252,015	7.36	158,876	5.64	179,100	5.83	58.62	40.71	630,220
Durable	103,767	3.03	70,089	2.49	68,529	2.23	48.05	51.42	273,447
Passenger cars and motorized cycle	36,773	1.07	28,628	1.02	21,569	0.70	28.45	70.49	105,026
Home appliances	15,471	0.45	7,962	0.28	7,861	0.26	94.30	96.81	35,638
Miscellaneous manufactures	51,523	1.50	33,499	1.19	39,099	1.27	53.81	31.78	132,783
Nondurable	148,248	4.33	88,787	3.15	110,571	3.60	66.97	34.08	356,772
Food and live animals chiefly for food	124,122	3.62	78,508	2.79	94,399	3.07	58.10	31.49	298,240
Dairy products	42,461	1.24	25,634	0.91	25,901	0.84	65.64	63.94	95,469
Fish and fish preparation	4,688	0.14	1,623	0.06	3,731	0.12	188.91	25.66	10,076
Rice	12,049	0.35	5,868	0.21	3,484	0.11	105.33	245.83	20,039
Fruits and vegetables	10,574	0.31	6,687	0.24	8,032	0.26	58.14	31.65	26,517
Others	54,349	1.59	38,696	1.37	53,251	1.73	40.45	2.06	146,138
Beverages and tobacco: manufacture	18,764	0.55	7,138	0.25	11,894	0.39	162.88	57.76	45,195
Articles of apparel, accessories	5,362	0.16	3,141	0.11	4,277	0.14	70.70	25.36	13,337
Special Transactions	108,018	3.15	97,870	3.48	135,337	4.40	10.37	(20.19)	297,895
Articles temporarily imported and exported	56,003	1.64	48,288	1.71	110,890	3.61	15.98	(49.50)	160,805
Others	52,014	1.52	49,582	1.76	24,447	0.80	4.91	112.77	137,090

Source: Economic Indices and Indicators Division
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Note: Components may not add up to total due to rounding.