# INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES 

Balance on goods and service:


## M J S N J M M J <br> 2004 <br> 2005

(a) A trend break of $\$ 600 \mathrm{~m}$ has been applied to April 2005.

## I N Q U I R I E S

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## KEY FIGURES

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|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \% change |
| TREND |  |  |  |  |
| Balance on goods \& services | -1508 | -1452 | -1403 |  |
| Credits (exports of goods \& services) | 14586 | 14746 | 14879 | 1 |
| Debits (imports of goods \& services) | 16094 | 16198 | 16282 | 1 |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |  |  |  |  |
| Balance on goods \& services | -1471 | -1404 | -1458 |  |
| Credits (exports of goods \& services) | 14750 | 14638 | 14992 | 2 |
| Debits (imports of goods \& services) | 16221 | 16042 | 16450 | 3 |

## TREND ESTIMATES

- The provisional trend estimate of the balance on goods and services was a deficit of $\$ 1,403 \mathrm{~m}$ in July 2005, a decrease of $\$ 49 \mathrm{~m}$ on the revised deficit in June.
- Goods and services credits rose $\$ 133 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ to $\$ 14,879 \mathrm{~m}$. Goods and services debits rose $\$ 84 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ to $\$ 16,282 \mathrm{~m}$.


## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

- In seasonally adjusted terms, the balance on goods and services was a deficit of $\$ 1,458 \mathrm{~m}$ in July, an increase of $\$ 54 \mathrm{~m}$ on the deficit in June.
- Goods and services credits rose $\$ 354 \mathrm{~m}(2 \%)$ to $\$ 14,992 \mathrm{~m}$. Non-rural and other goods rose $\$ 324 \mathrm{~m}(3 \%)$, and rural goods rose $\$ 13 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$. Services credits rose $\$ 17 \mathrm{~m}$ (1\%).
- Goods and services debits rose $\$ 408 \mathrm{~m}(3 \%)$ to $\$ 16,450 \mathrm{~m}$. Intermediate and other goods rose $\$ 252 \mathrm{~m}$ (4\%), capital goods rose $\$ 91 \mathrm{~m}$ (3\%) and consumption goods rose $\$ 34 \mathrm{~m}$ (1\%). Services debits rose $\$ 31 \mathrm{~m}$ (1\%).


## ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- In original terms, the July balance on goods and services was a deficit of $\$ 386 \mathrm{~m}$, a decrease of $\$ 1,768 \mathrm{~m}$ on the deficit in June. Goods and services credits rose $\$ 1,641 \mathrm{~m}$ (12\%) and goods and services debits fell $\$ 127 \mathrm{~m}$ (1\%).
- Non-rural and other goods were up $\$ 2.4 \mathrm{~b}$ (31\%) while rural goods were down $\$ 0.3 \mathrm{~b}$ (12\%) on the corresponding period in 2003-04.

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The merchandise trade series have been revised following the incorporation of the latest available data.

## Travel and tourism related services

From the August 2005 issue of this publication, the travel services credits and debits series will incorporate a new methodology and new data sources. Estimates for earlier periods will be recompiled to maintain consistency in the time series.

There will be consequential changes to the tourism related services series as travel services are a significant contributor to these series.

Those changes are part of the ABS's ongoing efforts to improve the quality of services estimates.

A feature article, detailing the changes to travel services credits and debits, will be released concurrently with the August 2005 issue of this publication.

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The release date for this issue has been moved from the previously advertised date of 30 November 2005 to 6 December 2005. This delay is to enable validation of the data and processes following the full implementation in October 2005 of a new Imports processing system by the Australian Customs service.
\$b billion (thousand million) dollars
\$m million dollars
ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics
APEC Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation
ASEAN Association of South-East Asian Nations
n.e.s. not elsewhere specified
n.i.e. not included elsewhere

OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
SAR Special Administrative Region
SITC Standard International Trade Classification

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- longer time series of all tables contained in this publication
- additional tables listed below:

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## ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS

BALANCE ON GOODS AND SERVICES

The trend estimate of the balance on goods and services in July 2005 was a deficit of $\$ 1,403 \mathrm{~m}$, a decrease of $\$ 49 \mathrm{~m}$ on the deficit in June.

In seasonally adjusted terms, the balance on goods and services in July 2005 was a deficit of $\$ 1,458 \mathrm{~m}$, an increase of $\$ 54 \mathrm{~m}$ on the deficit in June.

EXPORTS OF GOODS AND The trend estimate of goods and services credits rose $\$ 133 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ between June and July SERVICES

Exports of goods to $\$ 14,879 \mathrm{~m}$.

In seasonally adjusted terms, goods and services credits rose $\$ 354 \mathrm{~m}(2 \%)$ to $\$ 14,992 \mathrm{~m}$. Non-rural and other goods rose $\$ 324 \mathrm{~m}$ (3\%), rural goods rose $\$ 13 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ and services credits rose $\$ 17 \mathrm{~m}$ (1\%).

GOODS CREDITS

(a) A trend break of $\$ 600 \mathrm{~m}$ has been applied to April 2005.

RURAL GOODS
The trend estimate of rural goods exports rose $\$ 26 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ to $\$ 2,137 \mathrm{~m}$.

In seasonally adjusted terms, exports of rural goods rose $\$ 13 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ to $\$ 2,151 \mathrm{~m}$.
In original terms, exports of rural goods rose $\$ 9 \mathrm{~m}$ to $\$ 2,096 \mathrm{~m}$.

Movements in the original series contributing to the rise in the seasonally adjusted series were:

- cereal grains and cereal preparations, up $\$ 34 \mathrm{~m}(12 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July fall of $3 \%$ over the previous three years
- other rural, up $\$ 7 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July fall of $3 \%$ over the previous three years.

Largely offsetting these effects were wool and sheepskins, down $\$ 20 \mathrm{~m}$ (8\%), in contrast to an average June to July rise of $7 \%$ over the previous three years.

## ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS continued

Exports of goods continued

NON-RURAL AND OTHER GOODS
The trend estimate of non-rural and other goods exports rose $\$ 118 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ to $\$ 9,832 \mathrm{~m}$. In seasonally adjusted terms, exports of non-rural and other goods rose $\$ 324 \mathrm{~m}$ (3\%) to \$9,904m.

In original terms, exports of non-rural and other goods rose $\$ 765 \mathrm{~m}(8 \%)$ to $\$ 10,179 \mathrm{~m}$.
The value of exports of non-rural and other goods in original terms is influenced by the number and composition of trading days in July 2005 compared with June 2005. To account for this difference, a downward adjustment of about 7 percentage points was applied prior to deriving the seasonally adjusted series.

The following commodity groups had the largest deviation from their three year average movement:

- other mineral fuels, up $\$ 440 \mathrm{~m}$ (50\%), compared with an average June to July rise of $19 \%$ over the previous three years
- coal, coke and briquettes, up $\$ 169 \mathrm{~m}(9 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July fall of 5\% over the previous three years
- metal ores and minerals, up $\$ 18 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July fall of $8 \%$ over the previous three years
- other goods, up $\$ 105 \mathrm{~m}$ (19\%), compared with an average June to July rise of $6 \%$ over the previous three years
- other non-rural, down $\$ 32 \mathrm{~m}(3 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July rise of $6 \%$ over the previous three years.


## SERVICES CREDITS



In trend terms, services credits fell $\$ 11 \mathrm{~m}$ to $\$ 2,910 \mathrm{~m}$.
Seasonally adjusted, services credits rose $\$ 17 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ to $\$ 2,937 \mathrm{~m}$.
Movements in the seasonally adjusted components contributing to this rise were:

- other services, up $\$ 13 \mathrm{~m}$ (2\%)
- travel services, up $\$ 4 \mathrm{~m}$.

Seasonally adjusted, tourism related services credits rose $\$ 8 \mathrm{~m}$ to $\$ 1,831 \mathrm{~m}$.

## ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS continued

IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES

The trend estimate of goods and services debits rose $\$ 84 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ between June and July to $\$ 16,282 \mathrm{~m}$.

In seasonally adjusted terms, goods and services debits rose $\$ 408 \mathrm{~m}(3 \%)$ to $\$ 16,450 \mathrm{~m}$. Intermediate and other goods rose $\$ 252 \mathrm{~m}(4 \%)$, capital goods rose $\$ 91 \mathrm{~m}(3 \%)$ and consumption goods rose $\$ 34 \mathrm{~m}$ (1\%).

GOODS DEBITS

(a) Trend estimates exclude abnormal imports of aircraft in December 2002.

## CONSUMPTION GOODS

The trend estimate of imports of consumption goods fell $\$ 15 \mathrm{~m}$ to $\$ 3,983 \mathrm{~m}$.

In seasonally adjusted terms, imports of consumption goods rose $\$ 34 \mathrm{~m}$ (1\%) to $\$ 4,034 \mathrm{~m}$.
In original terms, imports of consumption goods rose $\$ 139 \mathrm{~m}(4 \%)$ to $\$ 4,021 \mathrm{~m}$.
The value of imports of consumption goods in original terms is influenced by the number of effective trading days in July 2005 being lower than June 2005. To account for this difference, an upward adjustment of about 3 percentage points was applied prior to deriving the seasonally adjusted series.

The following commodity groups had the largest deviation from their three year average movement:

- consumption goods n.e.s., up $\$ 69 \mathrm{~m}(6 \%)$, compared with an average June to July rise of $21 \%$ over the previous three years
- non-industrial transport equipment, down $\$ 60 \mathrm{~m}$ (5\%), in contrast to an average June to July rise of $6 \%$ over the previous three years
- food and beverages, down $\$ 24 \mathrm{~m}$ ( $5 \%$ ), in contrast to an average June to July rise of $9 \%$ over the previous three years.


## CAPITAL GOODS

The trend estimate of imports of capital goods rose $\$ 3 \mathrm{~m}$ to $\$ 3,004 \mathrm{~m}$.

In seasonally adjusted terms, imports of capital goods rose $\$ 91 \mathrm{~m}(3 \%)$ to $\$ 2,981 \mathrm{~m}$.

In original terms, imports of capital goods fell $\$ 391 \mathrm{~m}(12 \%)$ to $\$ 2,956 \mathrm{~m}$.
The value of imports of capital goods in original terms is influenced by the number of effective trading days in July 2005 being lower than June 2005. To account for this difference, an upward adjustment of about 6 percentage points was applied prior to deriving the seasonally adjusted series.

## ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS continued

The following commodity groups had the largest deviation from their three year average movement:

- machinery and industrial equipment, up $\$ 112 \mathrm{~m}$ ( $11 \%$ ), compared with an average June to July rise of $8 \%$ over the previous three years
- industrial transport equipment n.e.s., down $\$ 19 \mathrm{~m}$ (4\%), compared with an average June to July fall of $6 \%$ over the previous three years
- civil aircraft, down \$253m (72\%)
- capital goods n.e.s., down $\$ 49 \mathrm{~m}(11 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July rise of $5 \%$ over the previous three years.


## INTERMEDIATE AND OTHER GOODS

The trend estimate of imports of intermediate and other goods rose $\$ 98 \mathrm{~m}(2 \%)$ to $\$ 6,180 \mathrm{~m}$.

In seasonally adjusted terms, intermediate and other goods imports rose $\$ 252 \mathrm{~m}$ (4\%) to $\$ 6,291 \mathrm{~m}$.

In original terms, imports of intermediate and other goods fell $\$ 56 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ to $\$ 5,885 \mathrm{~m}$.
To account for the difference in effective trading days between June and July 2005, an upward adjustment of about 1 percentage point was applied to the original estimates prior to deriving the seasonally adjusted series.

Movements in the original series contributing to the rise in seasonally adjusted terms were:

- fuels and lubricants, up $\$ 25 \mathrm{~m}(2 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July fall of $3 \%$ over the previous three years
- organic and inorganic chemicals, up $\$ 43 \mathrm{~m}(16 \%)$, compared with an average June to July rise of 5\% over the previous three years
- other merchandise goods, up $\$ 4 \mathrm{~m}(6 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July fall of $11 \%$ over the previous three years
- iron and steel, up $\$ 23 \mathrm{~m}(9 \%)$, compared with an average June to July rise of $5 \%$ over the previous three years.


## Partly offsetting these effects were:

- processed industrial supplies n.e.s., down $\$ 4 \mathrm{~m}$, in contrast to an average June to July rise of 9\% over the previous three years
- parts for transport equipment, down $\$ 33 \mathrm{~m}(6 \%)$, in contrast to an average June to July rise of $8 \%$ over the previous three years.


## ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS continued

## Imports of services

SERVICES DEBITS


In trend terms, services debits fell $\$ 2 \mathrm{~m}$ to $\$ 3,115 \mathrm{~m}$.
Seasonally adjusted, services debits rose $\$ 31 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$ to $\$ 3,144 \mathrm{~m}$.

The movements in the seasonally adjusted components contributing to this rise were:

- travel services, up \$14m (1\%)
- freight, up $\$ 10 \mathrm{~m}(2 \%)$
- transportation services, up $\$ 3 \mathrm{~m}(1 \%)$
- other services, up $\$ 4 \mathrm{~m}$.

Seasonally adjusted, tourism related services debits fell $\$ 1 \mathrm{~m}$ to $\$ 1,586 \mathrm{~m}$.

|  | BALANCE | CREDITS |  |  |  |  | DEBITS |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | goods and services | Total goods and senvices | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & \text { goods } \end{aligned}$ | Rural goods(b) | Non-rural and other goods(b) | Total services | Total goods and services | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & \text { goods } \end{aligned}$ |  | Capital goods | Intermediate and other goods | Total services |
| Months | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| May | -2 014 | 12686 | 9847 | 2397 | 7450 | 2839 | -14700 | -11770 | -3825 | -2746 | -5 199 | -2930 |
| June | -1754 | 13487 | 10619 | 2640 | 7979 | 2868 | -15 241 | -12 286 | -3 935 | -3 099 | -5 252 | -2955 |
| July | -2 446 | 12952 | 10085 | 2404 | 7681 | 2867 | -15 398 | -12 485 | -3856 | -3 193 | -5 436 | -2913 |
| August | -2 016 | 12957 | 10092 | 2332 | 7760 | 2865 | -14973 | -11993 | -3760 | -2904 | -5 329 | -2980 |
| September | -2 136 | 13199 | 10375 | 2287 | 8088 | 2824 | -15 335 | -12 322 | -3 869 | -2 887 | -5 566 | -3 013 |
| October | -2 281 | 13042 | 10181 | 2156 | 8025 | 2861 | -15 323 | -12 319 | -3 819 | -3 059 | -5441 | -3 004 |
| November | -2 720 | 13016 | 10095 | 2109 | 7986 | 2921 | -15 736 | -12 674 | -3871 | -3120 | -5 683 | -3 062 |
| December | -2 373 | 13264 | 10342 | 2062 | 8280 | 2922 | -15 637 | -12 455 | -3858 | -3 019 | -5 578 | -3182 |
| 2005 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | -2 381 | 13505 | 10517 | 2039 | 8478 | 2988 | -15 886 | -12 681 | -4 270 | -2 814 | -5 597 | -3 205 |
| February | -2 288 | 13448 | 10434 | 2091 | 8343 | 3014 | -15 736 | -12 569 | -4 010 | -3 022 | -5 537 | -3167 |
| March | -2 452 | 13357 | 10342 | 1885 | 8457 | 3015 | -15 809 | -12 683 | -4 011 | -2 852 | -5 820 | -3126 |
| April | -1466 | 14532 | 11650 | 2109 | 9541 | 2882 | -15998 | -12 883 | -3968 | -3120 | -5 795 | -3 115 |
| May | -1471 | 14750 | 11837 | 2090 | 9747 | 2913 | -16221 | -13 106 | -3989 | -3 091 | -6 026 | -3115 |
| June | -1404 | 14638 | 11718 | 2138 | 9580 | 2920 | -16 042 | -12929 | -4000 | -2 890 | -6 039 | -3113 |
| July | -1458 | 14992 | 12055 | 2151 | 9904 | 2937 | -16 450 | -13 306 | -4 034 | -2 981 | -6 291 | -3144 |

## TREND ESTIMATES

| 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| May | -1968 | 12709 | 9853 | 2376 | 7477 | 2856 | -14 677 | -11760 | -3790 | -2 835 | -5 135 | -2 917 |
| June | -2 012 | 12948 | 10089 | 2423 | 7666 | 2859 | -14 960 | -12 024 | -3 841 | -2 926 | -5 257 | -2936 |
| July | -2 082 | 13082 | 10225 | 2423 | 7802 | 2857 | -15 164 | -12 213 | -3855 | -2 997 | -5 361 | -2 951 |
| August | -2 172 | 13119 | 10265 | 2372 | 7893 | 2854 | -15 291 | -12 319 | -3845 | -3 034 | -5440 | -2 972 |
| September | -2 264 | 13109 | 10250 | 2287 | 7963 | 2859 | -15 373 | -12 370 | -3 838 | -3 038 | -5494 | -3 003 |
| October | -2 349 | 13109 | 10230 | 2195 | 8035 | 2879 | -15 458 | -12 411 | -3 862 | -3 020 | -5 529 | -3 047 |
| November | -2 413 | 13144 | 10234 | 2118 | 8116 | 2910 | -15 557 | -12 464 | -3 912 | -2994 | -5 558 | -3 093 |
| December | -2 438 | 13224 | 10281 | 2065 | 8216 | 2943 | -15 662 | -12 529 | -3969 | -2978 | -5 582 | -3133 |
| 2005 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | -2 418 | 13338 | 10372 | 2035 | 8337 | 2966 | -15756 | -12 601 | -4 014 | -2 974 | -5 613 | -3 155 |
| February | -2 358 | 13475 | 10500 | 2025 | 8475 | 2975 | -15 833 | -12 674 | -4 034 | -2 974 | -5 666 | -3159 |
| March | -2 272 | 13633 | 10668 | 2035 | 8633 | 2965 | -15905 | -12756 | -4 031 | -2976 | -5 749 | -3149 |
| April(c) | -1584 | 14410 | 11462 | 2056 | 9406 | 2948 | -15994 | -12 859 | -4 017 | -2 988 | -5 854 | -3135 |
| May | -1508 | 14586 | 11653 | 2083 | 9570 | 2933 | -16 094 | -12972 | -4004 | -2 998 | -5 970 | -3 122 |
| June | -1452 | 14746 | 11825 | 2111 | 9714 | 2921 | -16 198 | -13 081 | -3 998 | -3 001 | -6 082 | -3 117 |
| July | -1403 | 14879 | 11969 | 2137 | 9832 | 2910 | -16 282 | -13 167 | -3983 | -3 004 | -6 180 | -3 115 |

(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 9 of the Explanatory Notes.
(b) For all time periods, estimates for sugar, sugar preparations and honey are included in Non-rural and other goods.
(c) A trend break of $\$ 600 \mathrm{~m}$ has been applied to Non-rural and other goods credits in April 2005.


## FINANCIAL YEAR TO DATE

1 month ended July

| 2004 | -1969 | 13553 | 10129 | 2379 | 7750 | 3424 | -15 522 | -12 462 | -3 991 | -3 237 | -5 234 | -3 060 |
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| 2005 | -386 | 15782 | 12275 | 2096 | 10179 | 3507 | -16 168 | -12 862 | -4 021 | -2 956 | -5 885 | 306 |

(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 9 of the Explanatory Notes.
(b) For all time periods, estimates for sugar, sugar preparations and honey are included in Non-rural and other goods.

|  | 2002-03 | 2003-04 | 2004-05 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jun } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jul } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | 1 MONTH ENDED JULY |  | Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2004 | 2005 |  |
|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \% |
| Total goods credits | 115800 | 109504 | 127321 | 12132 | 11501 | 12275 | 10129 | 12275 | 21.2 |
| Rural goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Meat and meat preparations | 5655 | 5758 | 6944 | 652 | 634 | 622 | 557 | 622 | 11.7 |
| Cereal grains and cereal preparations | 4487 | 5094 | 5157 | 317 | 289 | 323 | 611 | 323 | -47.1 |
| Wool and sheepskins | 3545 | 2778 | 2838 | 273 | 241 | 221 | 241 | 221 | -8.3 |
| Other rural | 11797 | 10930 | 10729 | 958 | 923 | 930 | 970 | 930 | -4.1 |
| Total rural goods(a) | 25484 | 24560 | 25668 | 2200 | 2087 | 2096 | 2379 | 2096 | -11.9 |
| Non-rural goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Metal ores and minerals | 14523 | 14888 | 19730 | 2078 | 2041 | 2059 | 1419 | 2059 | 45.1 |
| Coal, coke and briquettes | 11987 | 11001 | 17063 | 1873 | 1829 | 1998 | 1163 | 1998 | 71.8 |
| Other mineral fuels | 11049 | 8766 | 11121 | 1033 | 886 | 1326 | 895 | 1326 | 48.2 |
| Metals (excl. gold) | 8711 | 7759 | 8675 | 701 | 729 | 747 | 685 | 747 | 9.1 |
| Machinery | 7362 | 6839 | 7497 | 674 | 648 | 666 | 628 | 666 | 6.1 |
| Transport equipment | 6273 | 5155 | 4942 | 456 | 474 | 453 | 411 | 453 | 10.2 |
| Other manufactures | 13485 | 13276 | 14057 | 1295 | 1235 | 1285 | 1131 | 1285 | 13.6 |
| Other non-rural(a) | 8234 | 9286 | 10719 | 944 | 1015 | 983 | 787 | 983 | 24.9 |
| Total non-rural goods(a) | 81624 | 76970 | 93804 | 9054 | 8857 | 9517 | 7119 | 9517 | 33.7 |
| Other goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total other goods(b) | 8692 | 7974 | 7849 | 878 | 557 | 662 | 631 | 662 | 4.9 |

[^0]|  | 2002-03 | 2003-04 | 2004-05 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jun } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jul } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | 1 MONTH ENDED JULY |  | Change |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2004 | 2005 |  |
|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \% |
| Total goods debits | -134 278 | -133 026 | -150 920 | -12954 | -13 170 | -12 862 | -12 462 | -12 862 | 3.2 |
| Consumption goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food and beverages, mainly for consumption | -5 067 | -5 167 | -5 768 | -447 | -465 | -441 | -450 | -441 | -2.0 |
| Household electrical items | -3 657 | -3 793 | -4 019 | -292 | -277 | -316 | -373 | -316 | -15.3 |
| Non-industrial transport equipment | -11302 | -12 326 | -13 005 | -1081 | -1238 | -1 178 | -1074 | -1 178 | 9.7 |
| Textiles, clothing and footwear | -5 237 | -5 078 | -5 813 | -401 | -404 | -519 | -530 | -519 | -2.1 |
| Toys, books and leisure goods | -3 740 | -3 593 | -3 744 | -312 | -305 | -305 | -310 | -305 | -1.6 |
| Consumption goods n.e.s. | -12 225 | -12 959 | -14798 | -1 151 | -1 193 | -1262 | -1254 | -1 262 | 0.6 |
| Total consumption goods | -41 228 | -42916 | -47147 | -3 684 | -3 882 | -4 021 | -3991 | -4 021 | 0.8 |
| Capital goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Machinery and industrial equipment | -11 007 | -11 064 | -13 408 | -1 188 | -1 061 | -1 173 | -1 043 | -1 173 | 12.5 |
| ADP equipment | -4 908 | -5 138 | -5 761 | -573 | -625 | -499 | -479 | -499 | 4.2 |
| Telecommunications equipment | -3 619 | -4 105 | -4 567 | -359 | -399 | -343 | -405 | -343 | -15.3 |
| Civil aircraft | -3 887 | -3 061 | -2 496 | -196 | -350 | -97 | -465 | -97 | -79.1 |
| Industrial transport equipment n.e.s. | -3 881 | -4 144 | -4 978 | -478 | -480 | -461 | -451 | -461 | 2.2 |
| Capital goods n.e.s. | -4 252 | -4 606 | -4 751 | -406 | -432 | -383 | -394 | -383 | -2.8 |
| Total capital goods | -31554 | -32 118 | -35961 | -3 200 | -3 347 | -2 956 | -3 237 | -2 956 | -8.7 |
| Intermediate and other merchandise goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food and beverages, mainly for industry | -736 | -625 | -659 | -59 | -58 | -61 | -54 | -61 | 13.0 |
| Primary industrial supplies n.e.s. | -1 220 | -1 079 | -1 052 | -94 | -87 | -70 | -80 | -70 | -12.5 |
| Fuels and lubricants | -10 393 | -9 917 | -14 764 | -1484 | -1485 | -1510 | -1 043 | -1510 | 44.8 |
| Parts for transport equipment | -7 258 | -6 548 | -7 012 | -602 | -598 | -565 | -576 | -565 | -1.9 |
| Parts for ADP equipment | -2 011 | -1 812 | -1788 | -160 | -160 | -153 | -166 | -153 | -7.8 |
| Other parts for capital goods | -8605 | -8553 | -9 490 | -807 | -808 | -808 | -752 | -808 | 7.4 |
| Organic and inorganic chemicals | -3 089 | -3 048 | -3 623 | -343 | -273 | -316 | -302 | -316 | 4.6 |
| Paper and paperboard | -2 326 | -2 242 | -2 313 | -175 | -180 | -177 | -199 | -177 | -11.1 |
| Textile yarn and fabrics | -1 839 | -1576 | -1453 | -114 | -116 | -115 | -143 | -115 | -19.6 |
| Iron and steel | -1960 | -2 026 | -3 010 | -340 | -260 | -283 | -193 | -283 | 46.6 |
| Plastics | -2 478 | -2 177 | -2 429 | -190 | -186 | -189 | -186 | -189 | 1.6 |
| Processed industrial supplies n.e.s. | -12 238 | -12 029 | -14 043 | -1 149 | -1 195 | -1 191 | -1 076 | -1 191 | 10.7 |
| Other merchandise goods | -1710 | -1 234 | -1 054 | -97 | -67 | -71 | -68 | -71 | 4.4 |
| Total intermediate and other merchandise goods | -55 863 | -52 866 | -62 690 | -5 614 | -5473 | -5 509 | -4838 | -5 509 | 13.9 |
| Other goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total other goods(b) | -5 633 | -5 126 | -5 122 | -456 | -468 | -376 | -396 | -376 | -5.1 |

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|  | 2002-03 | 2003-04 | 2004-05 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jun } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jul } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | 2004 | 2005 | Change |
|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \% |
| Credits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight | 920 | 830 | 785 | 62 | 64 | 62 | 70 | 62 | -11.4 |
| Other transportation | 6538 | 6772 | 7231 | 557 | 560 | 614 | 603 | 614 | 1.8 |
| Travel | 15452 | 17108 | 17589 | 1069 | 1224 | 2064 | 2009 | 2064 | 2.7 |
| Other senvices | 9583 | 9270 | 9382 | 794 | 792 | 767 | 742 | 767 | 3.4 |
| Total services credits | 32493 | 33980 | 34987 | 2482 | 2640 | 3507 | 3424 | 3507 | 2.4 |
| Debits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight | -5 808 | -6 056 | -7 514 | -613 | -586 | -589 | -570 | -589 | 3.3 |
| Other transportation | -5 152 | -5 578 | -5 662 | -459 | -506 | -520 | -501 | -520 | 3.8 |
| Travel | -11 012 | -12 136 | -13525 | -1 077 | -1159 | -1356 | -1 175 | -1356 | 15.4 |
| Other services | -10 919 | -10 465 | -10 221 | -835 | -874 | -841 | -814 | -841 | 3.3 |
| Total services debits | -32 891 | -34 235 | -36922 | -2984 | -3 125 | -3 306 | -3 060 | -3 306 | 8.0 |
| Memorandum items: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tourism related service credits(c) | 19503 | 21081 | 21690 | 1362 | 1516 | 2408 | 2361 | 2408 | 2.0 |
| Tourism related service debits(c) | -15 691 | -17 258 | -18657 | -1488 | -1620 | -1826 | -1633 | -1826 | 11.8 |

(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 9 of the Explanatory Notes
(b) For more detailed trade in services by commodity, see table 7.
(c) For a more detailed explanation of tourism related services, see paragraphs 15 and 16 of the Explanatory Notes.

|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Oct } \\ 2004 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Nov } \\ 2004 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Dec } \\ 2004 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jan } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Feb } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mar } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Apr } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jun } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jul } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
|  | SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Credits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight | 68 | 66 | 65 | 63 | 64 | 64 | 63 | 62 | 62 | 63 |
| Other transportation | 604 | 612 | 618 | 610 | 602 | 612 | 601 | 595 | 600 | 599 |
| Travel | 1388 | 1451 | 1439 | 1526 | 1547 | 1538 | 1450 | 1473 | 1483 | 1487 |
| Other services | 801 | 792 | 800 | 789 | 801 | 801 | 768 | 783 | 775 | 788 |
| Total services credits | 2861 | 2921 | 2922 | 2988 | 3014 | 3015 | 2882 | 2913 | 2920 | 2937 |
| Debits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight | -619 | -652 | -663 | -709 | -647 | -591 | -630 | -615 | -619 | -629 |
| Other transportation | -472 | -480 | -497 | -479 | -495 | -476 | -458 | -465 | -459 | -462 |
| Travel | -1 088 | -1 109 | -1 185 | -1 155 | -1148 | -1 179 | -1 161 | -1 167 | -1 177 | -1 191 |
| Other services | -825 | -821 | -837 | -862 | -877 | -880 | -866 | -868 | -858 | -862 |
| Total services debits | -3 004 | -3 062 | -3 182 | -3 205 | -3 167 | -3 126 | -3 115 | -3 115 | -3 113 | -3 144 |
| Memorandum items: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tourism related service credits(b) | 1686 | 1791 | 1797 | 1881 | 1914 | 1890 | 1783 | 1803 | 1823 | 1831 |
| Tourism related service debits(b) | -1517 | -1547 | -1641 | -1594 | -1595 | -1613 | -1589 | -1571 | -1587 | -1586 |

TREND ESTIMATES

| Credits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\quad$ Freight | 67 | 66 | 65 | 64 | 64 | 63 | 63 | 63 | 62 | 62 |
| $\quad$ Other transportation | 603 | 607 | 610 | 610 | 609 | 606 | 602 | 600 | 598 | 598 |
| $\quad$ Travel | 1426 | 1446 | 1471 | 1495 | 1508 | 1507 | 1498 | 1488 | 1481 | 1471 |
| $\quad$ Other services | 783 | 791 | 797 | 797 | 794 | 789 | 785 | 782 | 780 | 779 |
| $\quad$ Total services credits | 2879 | 2910 | 2943 | 2966 | 2975 | 2965 | 2948 | 2933 | 2921 | 2910 |
| Debits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ Freight | -635 | -651 | -660 | -659 | -649 | -636 | -625 | -618 | -615 | -613 |
| $\quad$ Other transportation | -477 | -483 | -487 | -486 | -482 | -476 | -470 | -464 | -460 | -458 |
| $\quad$ Travel | -1100 | -1122 | -1142 | -1156 | -1164 | -1167 | -1169 | -1172 | -1176 | -1182 |
| $\quad$ Other services | -835 | -837 | -844 | -854 | -864 | -870 | -871 | -868 | -866 | -862 |
| $\quad$ Total services debits | -3047 | -3093 | -3133 | -3155 | -3159 | -3149 | -3135 | -3122 | -3117 | -3115 |
| Memorandum items: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ Tourism related service credits(b) | 1759 | 1784 | 1817 | 1846 | 1861 | 1857 | 1843 | 1828 | 1818 | 1807 |
| $\quad$ Tourism related service debits(b) | -1535 | -1565 | -1588 | -1601 | -1604 | -1600 | -1593 | -1587 | -1583 | -1582 |

(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 9 of the Explanatory Notes.
(b) For a more detailed explanation of tourism related senvices, see paragraphs 15 and 16 of the Explanatory Notes.

|  | CREDITS |  |  |  | DEBITS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sep Qtr $2004$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Dec Qtr } \\ 2004 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mar Qtr } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jun Qtr } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Sep Qtr } \\ 2004 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Dec Qtr } \\ 2004 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mar Qtr } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jun Qtr } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ |
|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| Services | 8563 | 8472 | 10126 | 7826 | -9 336 | -9 377 | -9 036 | -9 173 |
| Transportation services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passenger(c) | 1768 | 1901 | 1884 | 1678 | -1 293 | -1 190 | -1 090 | -1 193 |
| Freight | 210 | 204 | 183 | 188 | -1834 | -2 020 | -1820 | -1840 |
| Other(c) | np | np | np | np | -217 | -223 | -234 | -222 |
| Total transportation services | 1978 | 2105 | 2067 | 1866 | -3 344 | -3 433 | -3 144 | -3 255 |
| Travel services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Business | 285 | 287 | 319 | 336 | -763 | -715 | -791 | -748 |
| Personal |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Education-related | 1614 | 693 | 2573 | 894 | -234 | -152 | -172 | -146 |
| Other | 2453 | 2901 | 2883 | 2351 | -2 469 | -2 459 | -2 397 | -2 479 |
| Total personal | 4067 | 3594 | 5456 | 3245 | -2 703 | -2611 | -2 569 | -2 625 |
| Total travel services | 4352 | 3881 | 5775 | 3581 | -3 466 | -3 326 | -3 360 | -3 373 |
| Communication services(d) | 208 | 202 | 193 | 187 | -189 | -187 | -164 | -164 |
| Construction services | 21 | 20 | 16 | 20 | - | - | - | - |
| Insurance services | 171 | 171 | 171 | 171 | -218 | -218 | -218 | -218 |
| Financial services | 251 | 251 | 251 | 251 | -146 | -146 | -146 | -146 |
| Computer and information services | 289 | 320 | 263 | 300 | -266 | -286 | -238 | -266 |
| Royalties and license fees | 138 | 183 | 138 | 165 | -485 | -535 | -499 | -492 |
| Other business services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Merchanting and other trade-related | 156 | 182 | 143 | 185 | -56 | -58 | -58 | -57 |
| Operational leasing | 5 | 4 | 4 | 5 | -186 | -173 | -169 | -175 |
| Miscellaneous business, professional and technical |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Legal, accounting, management consulting and public relations | 115 | 113 | 114 | 133 | -84 | -79 | -65 | -79 |
| Advertising, market research and public opinion polling | 22 | 30 | 26 | 23 | -26 | -27 | -38 | -55 |
| Research and development | 77 | 105 | 107 | 92 | -37 | -41 | -34 | -44 |
| Architectural, engineering and other technical services | 97 | 120 | 148 | 161 | -104 | -91 | -108 | -113 |
| Agriculture, mining and on-site processing | 30 | 30 | 27 | 32 | -24 | -23 | -14 | -23 |
| Services between affiliated enterprises n.i.e. | 245 | 340 | 239 | 255 | -180 | -266 | -208 | -217 |
| Other | 92 | 105 | 101 | 75 | -74 | -81 | -82 | -93 |
| Total miscellaneous business, professional and technical | 678 | 843 | 762 | 771 | -529 | -608 | -549 | -624 |
| Total other business services | 839 | 1029 | 909 | 961 | -771 | -839 | -776 | -856 |
| Personal, cultural and recreational services |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Audiovisual and related services | 27 | 25 | 44 | 27 | -247 | -160 | -227 | -165 |
| Other personal, cultural and recreational services | 78 | 78 | 79 | 74 | -30 | -57 | -81 | -25 |
| Total other personal, cultural and recreational services | 105 | 103 | 123 | 101 | -277 | -217 | -308 | -190 |
| Government services n.i.e. | 211 | 207 | 220 | 223 | -174 | -190 | -183 | -213 |
| Memorandum items: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tourism related services(e) | 5365 | 4986 | 6876 | 4463 | -4849 | -4610 | -4551 | -4647 |

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np not available for publication but included in totals where applicable, unless otherwise indicated
(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 9 of Explanatory Notes.
(b) For more information see paragraphs 13 and 14 of the Explanatory Notes.
(c) Passenger transportation credits include other transportation services credits.
(d) Communications services includes other services n.i.e..
(e) For a more detailed explanation of tourism related senvices, see paragraphs 15 and 16 of the Explanatory Notes.

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|  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jun } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jul } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | merchandise exports(a) | 2004 | 2005 |
|  |  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \% | \$m | \$m |
| MAJOR COMMODITIES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 011 | Meat of bovine animals | 442 | 431 | 436 | 3.6 | 413 | 436 |
| 041 | Wheat | 205 | 197 | 253 | 2.1 | 427 | 253 |
| 268 | Wool and other animal hair | 238 | 212 | 197 | 1.6 | 215 | 197 |
| 281 | Iron ore and concentrates | 996 | 998 | 1021 | 8.4 | 542 | 1021 |
| 285 | Aluminium ore and concentrates | 374 | 398 | 394 | 3.2 | 377 | 394 |
| 321 | Coal, not agglomerated | 1930 | 1897 | 1997 | 16.4 | 1159 | 1997 |
| 333 | Crude petroleum oils | 520 | 511 | 702 | 5.8 | 535 | 702 |
| 334 | Refined petroleum oils | 237 | 175 | 264 | 2.2 | 129 | 264 |
| 343 | Natural gas | 309 | 268 | 341 | 2.8 | 221 | 341 |
| 684 | Aluminium | 340 | 308 | 373 | 3.1 | 356 | 373 |
| 781 | Passenger motor vehicles | 308 | 300 | 278 | 2.3 | 193 | 278 |
| 971 | Gold, non-monetary | 654 | 344 | 504 | 4.1 | 507 | 504 |

## SECTION AND DIVISION OF THE SITC

| 0 | Food and live animals(b) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 00 | Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates | 57 | 58 | 60 | 0.5 | 54 | 60 |
| 01 | Meat and meat preparations | 652 | 629 | 622 | 5.1 | 557 | 622 |
| 02 | Dairy products and birds' eggs | 185 | 217 | 187 | 1.5 | 171 | 187 |
| 03 | Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof(b) | 118 | 100 | 103 | 0.8 | 113 | 103 |
| 04 | Cereals and cereal preparations(b) | 317 | 288 | 323 | 2.7 | 611 | 323 |
| 05 | Vegetables and fruit | 110 | 99 | 123 | 1.0 | 132 | 123 |
| 06 | Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(b) | 11 | 18 | 22 | 0.2 | 13 | 22 |
| 07 | Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof | 20 | 21 | 22 | 0.2 | 24 | 22 |
| 08 | Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals)(b) | 69 | 61 | 57 | 0.5 | 80 | 57 |
| 09 | Miscellaneous edible products and preparations | 37 | 39 | 39 | 0.3 | 40 | 39 |
|  | Total food and live animals | 1576 | 1528 | 1559 | 12.8 | 1796 | 1559 |
| 1 | Beverages and tobacco |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Beverages | 234 | 251 | 251 | 2.1 | 222 | 251 |
| 12 | Tobacco and tobacco manufactures | 6 | 5 | 9 | 0.1 | 11 | 9 |
|  | Total beverages and tobacco | 240 | 257 | 260 | 2.1 | 233 | 260 |
| 2 | Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(b) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | Hides, skins and furskins, raw(b) | 64 | 54 | 53 | 0.4 | 56 | 53 |
| 22 | Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits | 59 | 16 | 10 | 0.1 | 50 | 10 |
| 23 | Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed) | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 |
| 24 | Cork and wood | 100 | 94 | 90 | 0.7 | 87 | 90 |
| 25 | Pulp and waste paper | 10 | 9 | 10 | 0.1 | 5 | 10 |
| 26 | Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric) (b) | 346 | 333 | 334 | 2.7 | 338 | 334 |
| 27 | Crude fertilisers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones) | 44 | 39 | 45 | 0.4 | 35 | 45 |
| 28 | Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(b) | 2046 | 2008 | 2014 | 16.5 | 1380 | 2014 |
| 29 | Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s. | 24 | 25 | 22 | 0.2 | 26 | 22 |
|  | Total crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 2695 | 2578 | 2580 | 21.2 | 1978 | 2580 |
| 3 | Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 32 | Coal, coke and briquettes | 1930 | 1905 | 1998 | 16.4 | 1163 | 1998 |
| 33 | Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials | 759 | 686 | 967 | 7.9 | 664 | 967 |
| 34 | Gas, natural and manufactured | 374 | 327 | 461 | 3.8 | 293 | 461 |
|  | Total mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | 3063 | 2919 | 3426 | 28.1 | 2120 | 3426 |

[^3](b) Excludes exports commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. These are included in Division 98.


- nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
(a) Per cent of total merchandise exports is calculated for the most recent month.

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[^5](b) Excludes exports commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. These are included in Division 98.
(c) Includes exports commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction.
(d) Includes small value export entries which can not yet be allocated by commodity.

|  |  |  |  | Per cent | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \mathrm{MON} \\ & \text { ENDED } \end{aligned}$ |  |
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|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jun } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Jul } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | merchandise imports(a) | 2004 | 2005 |
|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \% | \$m | \$m |
| MAJOR COMMODITIES |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 333 Crude petroleum oils | 813 | 901 | 1021 | 7.9 | 736 | 1021 |
| 334 Refined petroleum oils | 628 | 570 | 520 | 4.0 | 282 | 520 |
| 542 Medicaments | 461 | 510 | 508 | 3.9 | 472 | 508 |
| 641 Paper and paperboard | 160 | 163 | 158 | 1.2 | 178 | 158 |
| 752 Automatic data processing machines | 575 | 628 | 502 | 3.9 | 481 | 502 |
| 759 Parts and accessories of office machines | 191 | 194 | 184 | 1.4 | 194 | 184 |
| 764 Telecommunications equipment | 409 | 439 | 406 | 3.1 | 438 | 406 |
| 781 Passenger motor vehicles | 981 | 1133 | 1066 | 8.2 | 977 | 1066 |
| 782 Motor vehicles for the transport of goods | 409 | 375 | 356 | 2.7 | 362 | 356 |
| 784 Parts and accessories of motor vehicles | 186 | 194 | 183 | 1.4 | 195 | 183 |
| 792 Aircraft and associated equipment | 315 | 281 | 341 | 2.6 | 772 | 341 |
| 971 Gold, non-monetary | 263 | 264 | 176 | 1.4 | 162 | 176 |

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| Food and live animals |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates | 3 | 4 | 3 | - | 2 | 3 |
| Meat and meat preparations | 43 | 36 | 15 | 0.1 | 27 | 15 |
| Dairy products and birds' eggs | 29 | 33 | 32 | 0.2 | 27 | 32 |
| Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof | 74 | 72 | 66 | 0.5 | 72 | 66 |
| Cereals and cereal preparations | 31 | 31 | 35 | 0.3 | 36 | 35 |
| Vegetables and fruit | 86 | 94 | 93 | 0.7 | 90 | 93 |
| Sugars, sugar preparations and honey | 14 | 14 | 15 | 0.1 | 15 | 15 |
| Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof | 55 | 64 | 63 | 0.5 | 59 | 63 |
| Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals) | 22 | 21 | 29 | 0.2 | 32 | 29 |
| Miscellaneous edible products and preparations | 81 | 94 | 91 | 0.7 | 91 | 91 |
| Total food and live animals | 438 | 463 | 441 | 3.4 | 450 | 441 |
| Beverages and tobacco |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beverages | 55 | 54 | 57 | 0.4 | 56 | 57 |
| Tobacco and tobacco manufactures | 18 | 12 | 18 | 0.1 | 21 | 18 |
| Total beverages and tobacco | 72 | 66 | 75 | 0.6 | 78 | 75 |
| Crude materials, inedible, except fuels |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hides, skins and furskins, raw | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits | 8 | 9 | 8 | 0.1 | 3 | 8 |
| Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed) | 12 | 11 | 11 | 0.1 | 10 | 11 |
| Cork and wood | 48 | 45 | 46 | 0.4 | 51 | 46 |
| Pulp and waste paper | 16 | 20 | 24 | 0.2 | 16 | 24 |
| Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric) | 12 | 12 | 12 | 0.1 | 13 | 12 |
| Crude fertilisers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones) | 15 | 23 | 10 | 0.1 | 13 | 10 |
| Metalliferous ores and metal scrap | 34 | 23 | 18 | 0.1 | 25 | 18 |
| Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s. | 21 | 18 | 18 | 0.1 | 21 | 18 |
| Total crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 166 | 160 | 147 | 1.1 | 151 | 147 |
| Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(b) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coal, coke and briquettes | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | 1 |
| Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b) | 1473 | 1510 | 1574 | 12.2 | 1049 | 1574 |
| Gas, natural and manufactured | 25 | 23 | - | - | 18 | - |
| Total mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | 1499 | 1533 | 1575 | 12.2 | 1068 | 1575 |

nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
(a) Per cent of total merchandise imports is calculated for the most recent month.


- nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
(a) Per cent of total merchandise imports is calculated for the most recent month.
(b) Excludes imports commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. These are included in Division 98.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | May | Jun | Jul | merchandise |  |  |
|  |  | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | imports(a) | 2004 | 2005 |
|  |  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \% | \$m | \$m |
| SECTION AND DIVISION OF THE SITC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 81 | Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s. | 40 | 36 | 39 | 0.3 | 40 | 39 |
| 82 | Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings | 143 |  |  | 1.2 | 164 | 157 |
| 83 | Travel goods, handbags and similar containers | 36 | 40 | 46 | 0.4 | 48 | 46 |
| 84 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories | 270 | 275 | 356 | 2.7 | 353 | 356 |
| 85 | Footwear | 60 | 66 | 100 | 0.8 | 101 | 100 |
| 87 | Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s. | 319 | 323 | 297 | 2.3 | 316 | 297 |
| 88 | Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b) | 92 | 101 | 107 | 0.8 | 121 | 107 |
| 89 | Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s. | 616 | 602 | 645 | 5.0 | 612 | 645 |
|  | Total miscellaneous manufactured articles | 1574 | 1588 | 1746 | 13.5 | 1754 | 1746 |
| 9 | Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC(c)Special transactions and commodities not classified according tokind | 2 | 2 | 3 | - | 2 | 3 |
| 93 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 95 | Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender | 1 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 96 | Coin (excl. gold coin), not being legal tender | 263 | 264 | 176 | 1.4 | - | - |
| 97 | Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates) |  |  |  |  | 162 | 176 |
| 98 | Combined confidential items excl. some of SITC 280 (exports only) and some of SITCs 510 and 520 (imports only)(c) | 11 | 10 | 11 | 0.1 | 21 | 11 |
| Total commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC |  | 277 | 276 |  | 1.5 | 186 | 190 |
| Total Merchandise Imports |  | 12805 | 12876 | 12951 | 100.0 | 12546 | 12951 |
|  | Balance of Payments Adjustment | 149 | 13170 | -8912862 | . | -84 | -89 |
|  | Goods Debits (imports) on a Balance of Payments Basis | 12954 |  |  | . | 12462 | 12862 |

[^6]|  | EXPORTS |  |  |  | IMPORTS |  |  |  | BALANCE OF MERCHANDISE TRADE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2004-05 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { July } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | 1 month ended July 2004 | 1 month ended July 2005 | 2004-05 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { July } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | 1 month ended July 2004 | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { month } \\ \text { ended } \\ \text { July } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | 2004-05 | 1 month ended July 2005 |
|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Belgium(b) | 884 | 66 | 57 | 66 | 1179 | 119 | 90 | 119 | -295 | -53 |
| Brazil | 633 | 106 | 32 | 106 | 643 | 78 | 66 | 78 | -9 | 28 |
| Canada | 1896 | 186 | 128 | 186 | 1904 | 126 | 155 | 126 | -8 | 61 |
| China | 12980 | 1406 | 899 | 1406 | 19812 | 1733 | 1612 | 1733 | -6 832 | -327 |
| Denmark | 170 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 1044 | 69 | 79 | 69 | -874 | -53 |
| Egypt(c) | 286 | 29 | 63 | 29 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 272 | 28 |
| Fiji | 394 | 37 | 35 | 37 | 212 | 16 | 23 | 16 | 182 | 21 |
| Finland | 571 | 20 | 23 | 20 | 815 | 60 | 58 | 60 | -244 | -40 |
| France | 1010 | 106 | 114 | 106 | 4437 | 359 | 703 | 359 | -3 427 | -252 |
| Germany | 1315 | 140 | 97 | 140 | 8644 | 701 | 707 | 701 | -7 329 | -562 |
| Hong Kong (Sar of China) | 2709 | 225 | 198 | 225 | 1210 | 107 | 114 | 107 | 1499 | 118 |
| India | 6049 | 715 | 314 | 715 | 1220 | 88 | 96 | 88 | 4830 | 627 |
| Indonesia | 3410 | 310 | 305 | 310 | 3318 | 403 | 216 | 403 | 92 | -93 |
| Iran | 169 | 27 | 8 | 27 | 24 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 146 | 25 |
| Iraq | 383 | - | 91 | - | 6 | - | 6 | - | 377 | - |
| Ireland | 179 | 14 | 16 | 14 | 1917 | 130 | 158 | 130 | -1738 | -116 |
| Israel | 173 | 15 | 12 | 15 | 584 | 46 | 47 | 46 | -411 | -30 |
| Italy | 1544 | 97 | 113 | 97 | 4496 | 381 | 418 | 381 | -2 952 | -284 |
| Japan | 24917 | 2532 | 2011 | 2532 | 17157 | 1408 | 1526 | 1408 | 7759 | 1123 |
| Korea, Republic of | 9701 | 1060 | 854 | 1060 | 5004 | 365 | 423 | 365 | 4697 | 695 |
| Kuwait | 463 | 35 | 31 | 35 | 164 | 35 | 16 | 35 | 299 | - |
| Malaysia | 2582 | 188 | 212 | 188 | 5920 | 489 | 417 | 489 | -3 338 | -301 |
| Mexico | 686 | 45 | 43 | 45 | 776 | 63 | 58 | 63 | -90 | -18 |
| Netherlands | 1790 | 202 | 161 | 202 | 1261 | 105 | 107 | 105 | 529 | 98 |
| New Zealand | 9160 | 825 | 739 | 825 | 5340 | 400 | 416 | 400 | 3820 | 425 |
| Pakistan | 587 | 28 | 14 | 28 | 146 | 10 | 14 | 10 | 441 | 18 |
| Papua New Guinea | 1195 | 116 | 82 | 116 | 1735 | 144 | 101 | 144 | -540 | -27 |
| Philippines | 868 | 67 | 66 | 67 | 699 | 42 | 68 | 42 | 169 | 24 |
| Saudi Arabia | 1816 | 141 | 143 | 141 | 1409 | 17 | 104 | 17 | 406 | 125 |
| Singapore | 3344 | 431 | 288 | 431 | 7280 | 672 | 498 | 672 | -3 936 | -241 |
| South Africa | 1653 | 159 | 155 | 159 | 1328 | 152 | 100 | 152 | 325 | 7 |
| Spain | 914 | 48 | 63 | 48 | 1327 | 138 | 130 | 138 | -413 | -90 |
| Sweden | 280 | 37 | 16 | 37 | 1964 | 178 | 148 | 178 | -1683 | -141 |
| Switzerland | 249 | 14 | 10 | 14 | 1481 | 113 | 127 | 113 | -1 232 | -99 |
| Taiwan | 4883 | 443 | 317 | 443 | 3612 | 311 | 280 | 311 | 1271 | 133 |
| Thailand | 3900 | 241 | 221 | 241 | 4202 | 399 | 328 | 399 | -302 | -158 |
| Turkey | 279 | 66 | 25 | 66 | 365 | 32 | 31 | 32 | -85 | 34 |
| United Arab Emirates | 1275 | 131 | 167 | 131 | 822 | 63 | 127 | 63 | 454 | 68 |
| United Kingdom | 4813 | 395 | 627 | 395 | 5934 | 542 | 485 | 542 | -1 121 | -147 |
| United States of America | 9434 | 708 | 754 | 708 | 21273 | 1906 | 1767 | 1906 | -11839 | -1 198 |
| Viet Nam | 708 | 71 | 63 | 71 | 3098 | 363 | 276 | 363 | -2 391 | -292 |
| Other Countries(d) | 6468 | 689 | 486 | 689 | 5747 | 586 | 452 | 586 | 721 | 104 |
| Total | 126719 | 12191 | 10070 | 12191 | 149520 | 12951 | 12546 | 12951 | -22 801 | -760 |
| APEC | 92913 | 8897 | 7220 | 8897 | 103758 | 9070 | 8387 | 9070 | -10846 | -173 |
| ASEAN | 14952 | 1317 | 1164 | 1317 | 25196 | 2449 | 1880 | 2449 | -10 243 | -1 132 |
| Developing Countries | 62297 | 6217 | 4727 | 6217 | 63799 | 5625 | 5083 | 5625 | -1 502 | 592 |
| Least Developed Countries | 1488 | 153 | 122 | 153 | 223 | 22 | 16 | 22 | 1265 | 131 |
| European Union(e) | 13804 | 1229 | 1332 | 1229 | 35085 | 2975 | 3235 | 2975 | -21 281 | -1747 |
| OECD | 70125 | 6662 | 5895 | 6662 | 88895 | 7428 | 7779 | 7428 | -18770 | -765 |

- nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
(a) See AusStats for details of all countries.
(b) Prior to July 2003, Belgium and Luxembourg were combined. Belgium-Luxembourg is included in 'Other Countries' up to and including June 2003.
(c) Exports of Alumina to Egypt are excluded from its country total and included in the 'Other Countries' category.
(d) Includes small value exports entries which can not yet be allocated by country.
(e) From July 2004, European Union includes 25 member countries.

|  |  |  | 1 MONTH <br> ENDED JULY |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | July |  |  |
|  | 2004-05 | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 |
|  | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| EXPORTS (a) |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 22986 | 2115 | 1766 | 2115 |
| Victoria | 18526 | 1496 | 1546 | 1496 |
| Queensland | 26331 | 2940 | 2075 | 2940 |
| South Australia | 7641 | 710 | 638 | 710 |
| Western Australia | 38799 | 3856 | 2987 | 3856 |
| Tasmania | 2627 | 224 | 201 | 224 |
| Northern Territory | 2221 | 213 | 207 | 213 |
| Australian Capital Territory | - | - | - | - |
| State not available for publication(b) (c) | 479 | 54 | 25 | 54 |
| Re-exports | 7110 | 583 | 626 | 583 |
| Total exports | 126719 | 12191 | 10070 | 12191 |
| IMPORTS |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 60120 | 5116 | 5130 | 5116 |
| Victoria | 45148 | 3883 | 4011 | 3883 |
| Queensland | 21743 | 1925 | 1779 | 1925 |
| South Australia | 5711 | 527 | 465 | 527 |
| Western Australia | 14176 | 1233 | 1018 | 1233 |
| Tasmania | 600 | 44 | 41 | 44 |
| Northern Territory | 1993 | 222 | 101 | 222 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 28 | - | - | - |
| Total imports | 149520 | 12951 | 12546 | 12951 |

- nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
(a) State in which the final stage of production or manufacture occurs.
(b) Includes exports which can not yet be allocated by state. These shipments will be appropriately classified as more details become available.
(c) Exports of Alumina to Bahrain, Egypt and Iceland are excluded from the state totals and included in 'State not available for publication' category.

| Period | United <br> States <br> dollar |  | Euro | Japanese yen | Trade-weighted index of value of the $\$ \mathrm{~A}(\mathrm{~b})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FINANCIAL YEAR |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2002-03 | 0.5848 | 0.3685 | 0.5577 | 70.01 | 53.5 |
| 2003-04 | 0.7137 | 0.4102 | 0.5981 | 78.91 | 61.5 |
| 2004-05 | 0.7529 | 0.4052 | 0.5918 | 80.45 | 62.7 |
| MONTHS |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |
| May | 0.7054 | 0.3948 | 0.5874 | 79.01 | 60.9 |
| June | 0.6942 | 0.3794 | 0.5714 | 75.90 | 59.5 |
| July | 0.7164 | 0.3887 | 0.5835 | 78.29 | 61.1 |
| August | 0.7104 | 0.3903 | 0.5828 | 78.37 | 60.8 |
| September | 0.7013 | 0.3912 | 0.5743 | 77.20 | 59.9 |
| October | 0.7331 | 0.4057 | 0.5868 | 79.81 | 62.0 |
| November | 0.7689 | 0.4139 | 0.5925 | 80.61 | 63.7 |
| December | 0.7678 | 0.3981 | 0.5735 | 79.70 | 62.7 |
| 2005 |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 0.7647 | 0.4071 | 0.5830 | 78.98 | 62.7 |
| February | 0.7807 | 0.4139 | 0.5999 | 81.92 | 64.1 |
| March | 0.7859 | 0.4119 | 0.5948 | 82.62 | 64.2 |
| April | 0.7724 | 0.4078 | 0.5971 | 82.94 | 63.8 |
| May | 0.7662 | 0.4125 | 0.6033 | 81.68 | 63.4 |
| June | 0.7667 | 0.4213 | 0.6300 | 83.28 | 64.4 |
| July | 0.7524 | 0.4294 | 0.6247 | 84.24 | 64.0 |

(a) These exchange rates and the trade-weighted index are derived using rates provided by the Reserve Bank of Australia in respect of each trading day.
(b) May $1970=100$. The trade-weighted index is reweighted annually (on 1 October) and on special occasions if required.

INTRODUCTION

CONCEPTS, SOURCES AND METHODS

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

TREND ESTIMATES

1 This publication presents preliminary estimates of Australia's international trade in goods and services on a balance of payments basis and merchandise import and export statistics on a recorded trade basis.

2 Merchandise trade statistics on a recorded trade basis are compiled from information submitted by exporters and importers or their agents to the Australian Customs Service (ACS). Adjustments for coverage, timing and valuation are made to recorded trade data to convert them to a balance of payments basis. The main source for services data is the quarterly Survey of International Trade in Services.

3 More comprehensive quarterly estimates of Australia's trade in goods and services, together with comprehensive details of Australia's balance of payments are included in the quarterly publication, Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia (cat. no. 5302.0). Detailed monthly statistics on merchandise trade are available on AusStats or by subscription to tailored services.

4 The conceptual framework used in compiling Australia's merchandise trade statistics can be found in International Merchandise Trade, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 2001 (cat. no. 5489.0).

5 The conceptual framework used in compiling Australia's balance of payments statistics is based on the Fifth Edition of the International Monetary Fund's Balance of Payments Manual (BPM5,1993). Descriptions of the underlying concepts and structure of the balance of payments and the sources, methods and terms used in compiling the estimates are presented in Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 1998 (cat. no. 5331.0). To bring merchandise trade statistics on a recorded trade basis to a balance of payments basis, timing adjustments are made to ensure that the transaction is recorded in the period in which ownership changed, rather than in the period in which the transaction was recorded by ACS. Adjustments are also made to imports to take account of distortions which arise when significant changes occur in the volume of import entries lodged but not yet processed by ACS in a given month. Chapter 6 of cat. no. 5331.0 provides more detail on the relationship between statistics on international merchandise trade on a recorded trade basis and on a balance of payments basis.

6 Both of the Concepts, Sources and Methods publications are available for free from the ABS web site, see [http://www.abs.gov.au](http://www.abs.gov.au) - select About Statistics then Concepts $\mathcal{E}$ Classifications.

7 Monthly original estimates are volatile, being subject to calendar-related and large irregular influences. Seasonally adjusted estimates are derived by estimating and removing systematic calendar related effects, such as seasonal and trading day influences, from the original series. Trading day effects are removed from the original estimates prior to the seasonal adjustment process. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. These irregular influences may reflect both random economic events and difficulties of statistical recording. The estimates of international trade in goods and services on a balance of payments basis are seasonally adjusted. The merchandise exports and imports statistics on a recorded trade basis are not.

8 The month-to-month movements of the seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour because they include irregular or non-seasonal movements. Trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted series. The use of a 13 -term Henderson average can result in revisions to the estimates for the most recent six months as additional observations become available. Revisions can also occur because of changes in the original data and as a result of the annual re-estimation of the seasonal factors.

SIGN CONVENTION

COMMODITY BREAKDOWNS OF GOODS

COMMODITY BREAKDOWNS OF SERVICES

9 In keeping with balance of payments conventions, where statistics are on a balance of payments basis, credit entries (exports) are shown without sign and debit items (imports) are shown as negative entries. For statistics on a recorded trade basis, both imports and exports are shown without sign. The calculation of percentage changes on balance of payments debit items are made without regard to sign. References to balance of payments debit items in Key Figures, Key Points, and Analysis and Comments are also made without regard to sign.

10 For details of the classification used for goods exports on a balance of payments basis (credits), see table 6.6 in Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 1998 (cat. no. 5331.0).

11 Details of the classification of goods imports on a balance of payments basis (debits) are provided in table 6.7 in cat. no. 5331.0. Most of the commodity groups shown in table 4 for goods debits are available for more detailed subgroups from AusStats.

12 The recorded trade statistics shown in tables 8 and 9 are classified by the Standard International Trade Classification 2 (SITC). The first section of tables 8 and 9 show the most significant commodities (by value) at the SITC 3 digit level.

13 The quarterly detailed services data published in table 7 are consistent with the monthly aggregates shown in table 5 . Services trade data by major partner countries and by Australian state of production/consumption are published on a financial year basis and a calendar year basis.

14 Monthly indicators for many of the services components that are only surveyed quarterly are not available. In particular, the Freight and Other transportation components of Total services credits are not available for publication on a monthly basis. The estimates for these items shown in table 5 are therefore derived by dividing the quarterly estimate by three. Where quarterly survey data are not available, freight debits are derived directly from imports data for the reference month as a difference between total merchandise cost, insurance and freight (CIFE) and free on board (FOB), adjusted to reflect timing and processing adjustments. For freight credits and other transportation credits and debits, estimates are derived by extrapolating the last month's data by an average of movements for the same month over the three previous years.

15 The tourism related services memorandum items provide timely indicators of the movements in tourism related activities, not an absolute measure of the level of these activities. These series are not complied on a Balance of Payments conceptual basis. However, they do provide a reasonable approximation of world tourism related activities.

16 The memorandum items have been derived by re-aggregating relevant components of the international trade in services series of the balance of payments accounts. The tourism related indicator has been derived by combining total travel services (business, education-related and other personal travel), passenger fares, and the air transport component of other transportation services which relates to agency fees and commission receipts.

17 Annual services data by state and by partner country are released twice yearly. Calendar year data are released with the March issue of this publication and financial year data are released with the November issue. The data are available from AusStats.

18 Services credits are classified by the state of provision, while services debits are classified by the state of consumption. The state allocations for transportation, travel and communication services are based on a number of indicators including merchandise trade statistics by state, overseas passenger arrivals and departures by state of clearance and data provided by the Department of Education, Science and Training. The allocation

## EXPLANATORY NOTES continued

SERVICES BY STATE AND BY PARTNER COUNTRY continued

RELATED PRODUCTS OR SERVICES
for other services (about $25 \%$ of all trade in services) is primarily based on the location of the business reporting the information, which serves as a proxy for the state of provision/consumption of that service. The data should be used with care but are considered suitable for analysis over time.

19 A comprehensive explanation of the data sources used and the methodology applied in the compilation of partner country statistics is provided in Chapter 17 of Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia - Concepts, Sources and Methods (cat. no. 5331.0). Approximately 9\% of total services credits and $5 \%$ of total services debits for 2003-4 are either confidential, or unable to be allocated to individual countries.

20 More detailed balance of payments and recorded merchandise trade data, including forward seasonal factors, are available from AusStats. Very detailed merchandise trade data by commodity, country and state are available by contacting the National Information and Referral Service, as shown on the back of this publication.

21 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which can be downloaded free of charge from the ABS web site:

- Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia (cat. no. 5302.0) - issued quarterly
- International Merchandise Imports, Australia (cat. no. 5439.0) - issued monthly
- International Trade Price Indexes, Australia (cat. no. 6457.0) - issued quarterly
- Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods (cat. no. 5331.0)
- Information Paper: Quality of Australian Balance of Payments Statistics (cat. no. 5342.0)
- International Merchandise Trade, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods (cat. no. 5489.0)
- A Guide to Australian Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Statistics (cat. no. 5362.0.55.001).

22 The tables in this publication are presented on two bases. Tables 1-7 contain estimates of Australia's international trade in goods and services which have been adjusted for coverage, valuation and timing to a balance of payments basis. Tables 8-11 contain estimates of merchandise exports and imports based on Australian Customs Service records. Paragraph 5 of the Explanatory Notes provides an explanation of the difference between these bases.

## APPENDIX RELATED ARTICLES

| Article | Source | Issue |
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| Foreign ownership of equity | 5302.0 | Sep qtr 2004 |
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| Measuring Australia's foreign currency exposure | 5302.0 | Dec qtr 2001 |
| Balance of payments |  |  |
| International comparison of balance of payments statistics | 5363.0 | 1999-2000 |
| The Sydney Olympic Games Update | 5368.0 | Jul 2000 |
| The Sydney Olympic Games | 5302.0 | Sep qtr 1999 |
| Merchandise trade |  |  |
| Export and Import currencies, 2005 | (a) web site | Aug 2005 |
| Australia's Importers, 2003-04 | (a) web site | Nov 2004 |
| Australia's Exporters, 2003-04 | (a) web site | Oct 2004 |
| Australia's Trade with the USA | (a) web site | Mar 2004 |
| Australia's Exporters, 2002-03 | (a) web site | Oct 2003 |
| Australia's Importers, 2002-03 | (a) web site | Nov 2003 |
| Export and import currencies, 2003 | (a) web site | May 2003 |
| Australia's exporters and importers, 2001-02 | 5422.0 | Dec qtr 2002 |
| Trade through Australia's ports | 5422.0 | Sep qtr 2002 |
| Australia's trade in wine | 5422.0 | Dec qtr 2001 |
| Australia's export markets, 1991-92 to 2000-01 | 5422.0 | Jun qtr 2001 |
| Major commodities traded by Australia, 1991 to 2000 | 5422.0 | Dec qtr 2000 |
| Australia's trade in crude petroleum | 5422.0 | Mar qtr 2000 |
| Australia's merchandise trade with the Republic of Korea | 5422.0 | Sep qtr 1999 |
| Australia's merchandise trade with Japan | 5422.0 | Mar qtr 1999 |
| Bilateral merchandise trade statistics reconciliation: Australia and the European Union, 1992 to 1997 | 5422.0 | Sep qtr 1998 |
| Trade in services |  |  |
| International trade in services by partner country, 2003-04 | (a) web site | Nov 2004 |
| International trade in services by State, 2003-04 | (a) web site | Nov 2004 |
| International trade in services by partner country, 2003 | (a) web site | Mar 2004 |
| International trade in services by State, 2003 | (a) web site | Mar 2004 |
| International trade in services by partner country, 2002-03 | (a) web site | Oct 2003 |
| International trade in services by State, 2002-03 | (a) web site | Oct 2003 |
| Goods and services by region, 2001 | 5368.0 | Feb 2002 |
| International trade in education services | (a) web site | Oct 2002 |
| Finance |  |  |
| Recent trends in construction and first home buyers finance | 5609.0 | Mar 2002 |
| Household sector data in the financial accounts | 5232.0 | Mar qtr 2002 |
| Investment Managers | 5655.0 | Jun qtr 2000 |
| Venture capital, 1999-2000 | 5611.0 | 2000-01 |
| Impact of 2003-2004 farm season on Australian production | 5611.0 | 1999-2000 |
| Globalisation |  |  |
| Foreign Ownership of Australian Exporters and Importers, 2002-03 | 5496.0.55.001 | 2002-03 |
| Australian Outward Foreign Affiliates Trade, 2002-03 | 5495.0 | 2002-03 |
| Economic Activity of Foreign Owned Businesses in Australia, 2000-01 | 5494.0 | 2000-01 |
| Technical information |  |  |
| Implementation of New Customs Systems | (a) web site | Aug 2004 |
| Changes to country and port classifications | 5368.0 | May 2003 |
| The effect of customs changes on export statistics | 5422.0 | Jun qtr 2002 |
| Harmonized system changes | 5422.0 | Sep qtr 2001 |
| International trade review: data quality and client queries | 5422.0 | Jun qtr 2000 |
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[^0]:    (a) For all time periods, estimates for sugar, sugar preparations and honey are included in Other non-rural.
    (b) Includes non-monetary gold.

[^1]:    (a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 9 of the Explanatory Notes.

[^2]:    (b) Includes non-monetary gold.

[^3]:    - nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
    (a) Per cent of total merchandise exports is calculated for the most recent month.

[^4]:    (b) Excludes exports commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. These are included in Division 98.

[^5]:    . . not applicable

    - nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
    (a) Per cent of total merchandise exports is calculated for the most recent month.

[^6]:    . . not applicable

    - nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)
    (a) Per cent of total merchandise imports is calculated for the most recent month.

[^7]:    (a) International Trade Theme Page: Select Themes; Economy; International Trade; Topics of Interest.

