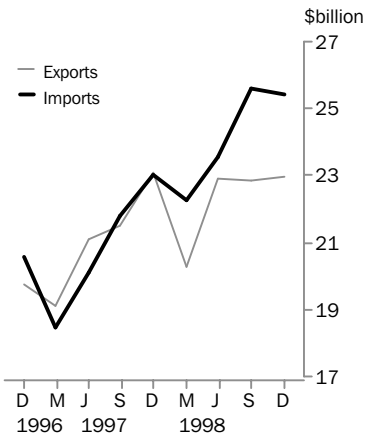


INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

AUSTRALIA

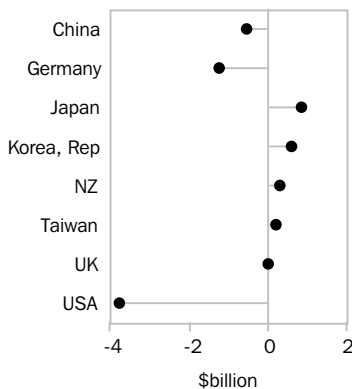
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Exports and imports



Balance by country

December quarter 1998



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DECEMBER QTR KEY FIGURES

	\$m	% change Sep Qtr 1998 to Dec Qtr 1998	% change Dec Qtr 1997 to Dec Qtr 1998
Merchandise exports	22 994	0.8	-0.4
Merchandise imports	25 432	-0.6	10.4

DECEMBER QTR KEY POINTS

BY COUNTRY

- Japan, surplus down 6% to \$945 million
- Republic of Korea, surplus up 47% to \$687 million
- Germany, deficit up 1% to \$1,200 million
- USA, deficit up 12% to \$3,753 million

BY COMMODITY

MAJOR EXPORTS

- Coal, down 5% to \$2,425 million
- Non monetary gold, down 8% to \$1,904 million
- Iron ore, down 6% to \$1,029 million
- Aluminium, down 8% to \$834 million

MAJOR IMPORTS

- Passenger motor vehicles, down 2% to \$1,562 million
- Data processing machines, down 3% to \$1,067 million
- Petroleum oils (crude), up 10% to \$937 million

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CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

Changes have been made to Tables 2, 4, 6, 8 and 21, as well as to the Appendix, to reflect the admission of Peru, the Russian Federation and Viet Nam to the Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation (APEC) group in November 1998. As outlined in paragraph 19 of the Explanatory Notes, statistics for all periods shown in this publication include Peru, the Russian Federation and Viet Nam in APEC.

REVISIONS

Revisions since the last issue of this publication have:

- decreased total exports for the September quarter 1998 by \$5 million, and increased total exports for the year ended September 1998 by \$4 million;
- decreased total imports for the September quarter 1998 by \$36 million, and decreased total imports for the year ended September 1998 by \$22 million; and
- decreased the merchandise trade deficit for the September quarter 1998 by \$32 million, and decreased the merchandise trade deficit for the year ended September 1998 by \$26 million.

These revisions resulted from generally small changes to a large number of commodities and countries, with no significant contributor.

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Australian Statistician

QUARTERLY ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS

EXCESS OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTS OR IMPORTS

In the December quarter 1998 merchandise imports exceeded merchandise exports by \$2,439 million, a \$335 million decrease from the merchandise trade deficit recorded in the September quarter 1998.

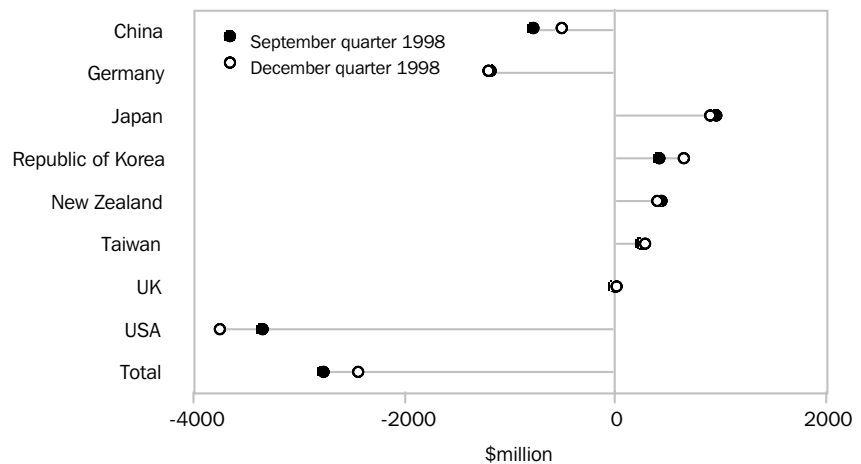
Australia's trade with its major trading partners produced surpluses with:

- Japan, down \$57 million (6%) to \$945 million;
- Republic of Korea, up \$221 million (47%) to \$687 million;
- New Zealand, down \$47 million (10%) to \$431 million;
- Taiwan, up \$33 million (12%) to \$315 million; and
- United Kingdom, up \$45 million (375%) to \$57 million.

Deficits were recorded with:

- USA, up \$400 million (12%) to \$3,753 million;
- Germany, up \$13 million (1%) to \$1,200 million; and
- China, down \$265 million (34%) to \$514 million.

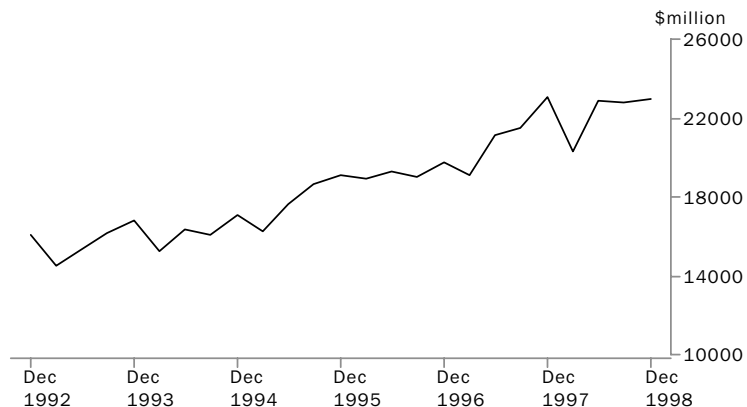
AUSTRALIA'S QUARTERLY TRADE WITH MAJOR COUNTRIES, Excess of exports (+) or imports (-)



MERCHANDISE EXPORTS

Merchandise exports for December quarter 1998 were \$22,994 million, up \$172 million or 1% on the previous quarter.

MERCHANDISE EXPORTS



MERCHANDISE EXPORTS
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The export commodity groups recording significant increases on the previous quarter were:

- *machinery and transport equipment*, up \$364 million (14%) to \$2,898 million (due mainly to increased exports of machinery specialised for particular industries; and road vehicles);
- *crude materials, inedible, except fuels*, up \$279 million (6%) to \$4,729 million (due mainly to increased exports of metalliferous ores and metal scrap; and oil seeds and oleaginous fruits);
- *food and live animals*, up \$111 million (3%) to \$3,942 million (due mainly to increased exports of dairy products and birds' eggs); and
- *miscellaneous manufactured articles*, up \$50 million (6%) to \$915 million.

Significant decreases were recorded for *mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials*, down \$270 million (7%) to \$3,666 million (due mainly to decreased exports of petroleum, petroleum products and related materials; and coal); and *manufactured goods classified chiefly by material*, down \$242 million (9%) to \$2,486 million (due mainly to decreased exports of non-ferrous metals; and iron and steel).

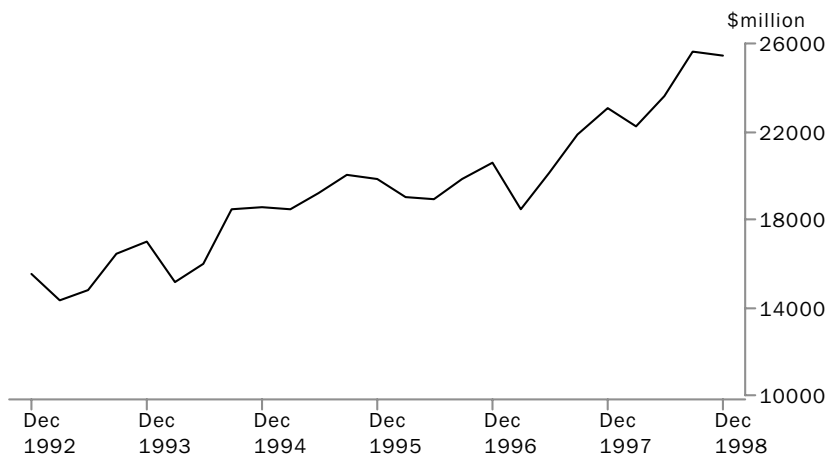
In the December quarter 1998 the major export destinations for Australia's goods were:

- Japan, down \$10 million to \$4,450 million;
- USA, down \$84 million (4%) to \$2,051 million;
- Republic of Korea, up \$18 million (1%) to \$1,625 million;
- New Zealand, remained steady at \$1,481 million;
- United Kingdom, down \$121 million (8%) to \$1,451 million;
- Taiwan, up \$26 million (2%) to \$1,100 million;
- China, up \$138 million (15%) to \$1,084 million; and
- Singapore, up \$300 million (48%) to \$931 million.

MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

Merchandise imports for December quarter 1998 were \$25,432 million, down \$165 million, or 1% on the previous quarter.

MERCHANDISE IMPORTS



MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

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The import commodity groups recording significant decreases on the previous quarter were:

- *miscellaneous manufactured articles*, down \$397 million (10%) to \$3,774 million (due mainly to decreased imports of articles of apparel and clothing accessories; and miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s); and
- *manufactured goods classified chiefly by material*, down \$137 million (4%) to \$3,314 million (due mainly to decreased imports of textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s, and related products; and paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard).

Significant increases were recorded for *chemical and related products, nes*, up \$166 million (6%) to \$2,914 million (due mainly to increased imports of organic chemicals); *food and live animals*, up \$117 million (13%) to \$1,028 million (due mainly to increased imports of fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof; and miscellaneous edible products and preparations); and *mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials*, up \$113 million (10%) to \$1,191 million (due mainly to increased imports of petroleum, petroleum products and related materials).

In the December quarter 1998 the major sources for Australian imports were:

- USA, up \$317 million (6%) to \$5,804 million;
- Japan, up \$47 million (1%) to \$3,505 million;
- China, down \$127 million (7%) to \$1,598 million;
- Germany, up \$6 million to \$1,567 million;
- United Kingdom, down \$164 million (11%) to \$1,395 million;
- New Zealand, up \$47 million (5%) to \$1,050 million;
- Republic of Korea, down \$204 million (18%) to \$937 million; and
- Indonesia, down \$313 million (27%) to \$844 million.

ANNUAL ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS

EXCESS OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTS OR IMPORTS

For the year ended December 1998 merchandise imports exceeded merchandise exports by \$7,868 million, a turnaround of \$9,239 million from the surplus recorded for the previous year.

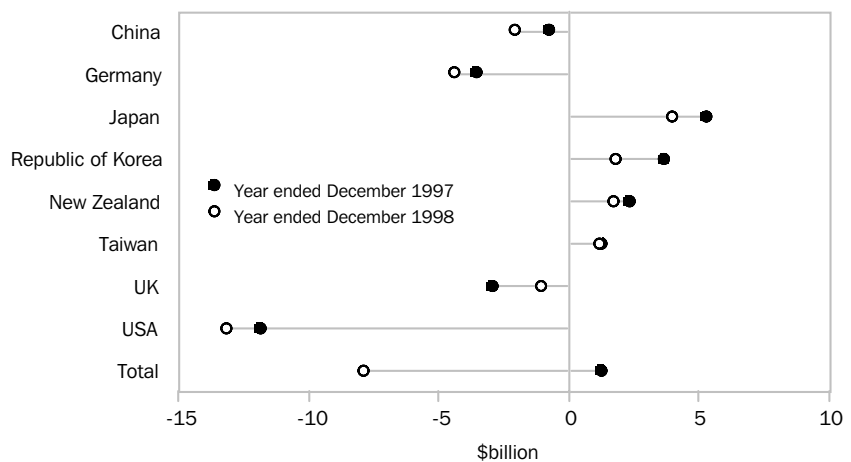
Australia's trade with its major trading partners produced deficits with:

- USA, up \$1,315 million (11%) to \$13,151 million;
- Germany, up \$861 million (24%) to \$4,419 million;
- China, up \$1,274 million (167%) to \$2,036 million; and
- United Kingdom, down \$1,829 million (63%) to \$1,058 million.

Surpluses were recorded with:

- Japan, down \$1,317 million (24%) to \$4,087 million;
- Republic of Korea, down \$1,874 million (49%) to \$1,923 million;
- New Zealand, down \$624 million (25%) to \$1,854 million; and
- Taiwan, down \$83 million (6%) to \$1,324 million.

AUSTRALIA'S ANNUAL TRADE WITH MAJOR COUNTRIES, Excess of exports (+) or imports (-)



MERCHANDISE EXPORTS

Merchandise exports for the year ended December 1998 were \$88,982 million, up \$4,193 million or 5% on the previous year.

The exports commodity groups recording significant increases on the previous year were:

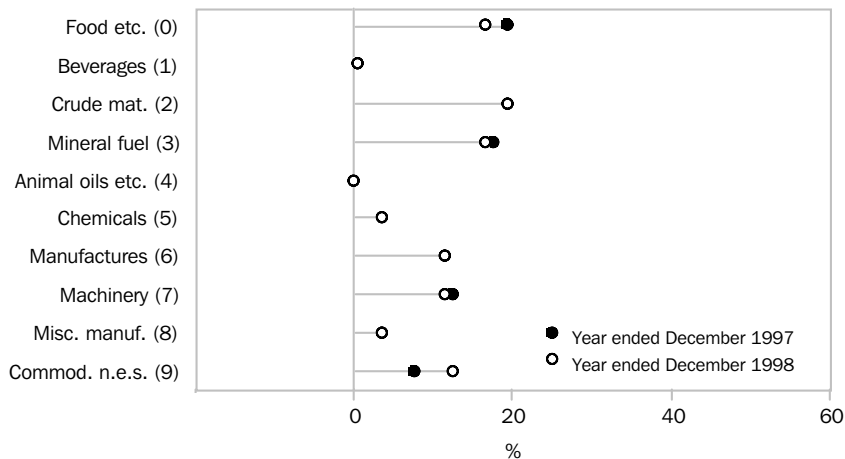
- *commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC*, up \$4,769 million (70%) to \$11,583 million (due mainly to increased exports of non-monetary gold; and combined confidential items); and
- *crude materials, inedible, except fuels*, up \$772 million (5%) to \$17,915 million (due mainly to increased exports of metalliferous ores and metal scrap; which was partly offset by decreased exports of textile fibres and their wastes).

Decreases were recorded for *food and live animals*, down \$2,091 million (12%) to \$15,109 million (due mainly to decreased exports of cereals and cereal preparations; and to the movement of bulk sugar exports from the sugar, sugar preparations and honey category to the combined confidential items category from January 1998); and *machinery and transport equipment*, down \$634 million (6%) to \$10,687 million (due mainly to decreased exports of power generating machinery and equipment; and transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)).

MERCHANDISE EXPORTS

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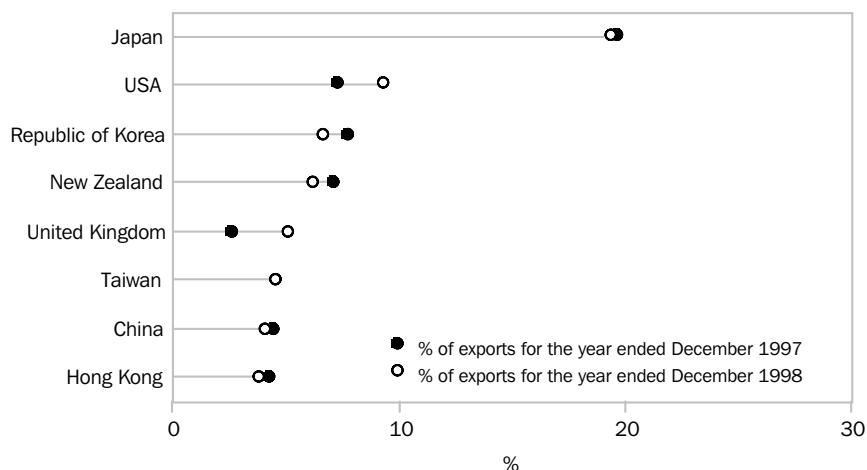
COMMODITY COMPOSITION (SITC SECTION) OF EXPORTS



Australia's major export destinations for the year ended December 1998 were:

- Japan, up \$593 million (4%) to \$17,407 million;
- USA, up \$2,127 million (34%) to \$8,466 million;
- Republic of Korea, down \$664 million (10%) to \$6,099 million;
- New Zealand, down \$500 million (8%) to \$5,679 million;
- United Kingdom, up \$2,288 million (94%) to \$4,722 million;
- Taiwan, up \$204 million (5%) to \$4,263 million;
- China, down \$190 million (5%) to \$3,787 million; and
- Hong Kong, down \$255 million (7%) to \$3,542 million.

COUNTRY COMPOSITION OF EXPORTS



MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

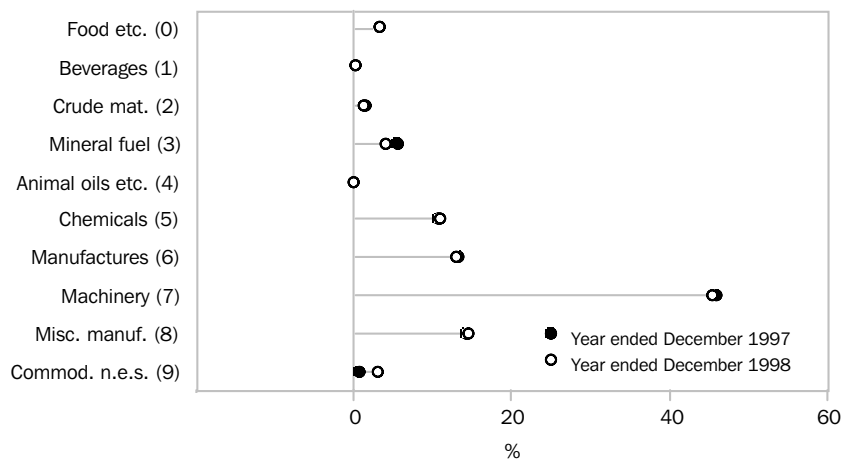
Merchandise imports for the year ended December 1998 were \$96,850 million, up \$13,432 million or 16% on the previous year.

The imports commodity groups recording significant increases on the previous year were:

- *machinery and transport equipment*, up \$5,699 million (15%) to \$44,397 million (due mainly to increased imports of road vehicles; general industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.; and electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances and parts);
- *commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC*, up \$2,451 million (267%) to \$3,369 million (due mainly to increased imports of non-monetary gold);
- *miscellaneous manufactured articles*, up \$2,269 million (18%) to \$14,557 million (due mainly to increased imports of miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.; articles of apparel and clothing accessories; and professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.); and
- *chemical and related products, n.e.s.*, up \$1,637 million (17%) to \$11,034 million (with all categories contributing to the increase, medicinal and pharmaceutical products being the most significant).

The only significant decrease was recorded for *mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials*, down \$699 million (14%) to \$4,325 million (due mainly to decreased imports of petroleum, petroleum products and related materials).

COMMODITY COMPOSITION (SITC SECTION) OF IMPORTS



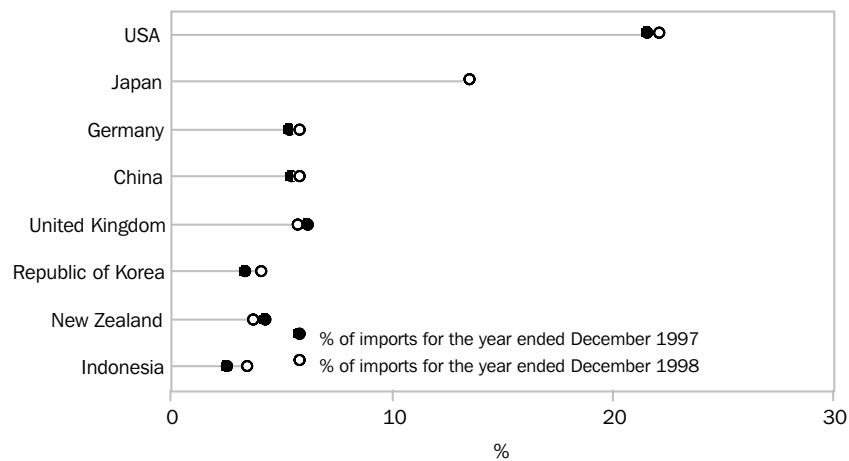
Australia's major import sources for the year ended December 1998 were:

- USA, up \$3,443 million (19%) to \$21,617 million;
- Japan, up \$1,911 million (17%) to \$13,320 million;
- Germany, up \$1,156 million (25%) to \$5,824 million;
- China, up \$1,084 million (23%) to \$5,823 million;
- United Kingdom, up \$458 million (9%) to \$5,780 million;
- Republic of Korea, up \$1,209 million (41%) to \$4,175 million;
- New Zealand, up \$124 million (3%) to \$3,825 million; and
- Indonesia, up \$1,296 million (57%) to \$3,562 million.

MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

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COUNTRY COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS



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MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, By Country

	<i>China</i>	<i>Germany</i>	<i>Japan</i>	<i>Korea, Republic of</i>	<i>New Zealand</i>	<i>Taiwan</i>	<i>United Kingdom</i>	<i>United States of America</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Period</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
1995-96	3 781	1 152	16 429	6 615	5 609	3 452	2 829	4 619	76 005
1996-97	3 584	1 058	15 377	7 134	6 214	3 620	2 357	5 526	78 932
1997-98	3 872	1 243	17 588	6 397	5 662	4 179	3 040	7 794	87 774
1997									
March	862	261	3 794	1 537	1 365	948	462	1 260	19 077
June	999	270	3 928	1 696	1 870	1 020	631	1 566	21 104
September	1 049	255	4 398	1 898	1 476	979	674	1 739	21 523
December	1 066	324	4 693	1 632	1 468	1 111	667	1 774	23 085
1998									
March	836	306	4 206	1 192	1 308	957	743	2 000	20 287
June	921	358	4 290	1 675	1 410	1 132	957	2 280	22 878
September	946	374	4 460	1 607	1 481	1 074	1 572	2 135	22 822
December	1 084	367	4 450	1 625	1 481	1 100	1 451	2 051	22 994

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MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, By Major Country Group(a)

	<i>Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation (APEC)</i>	<i>Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)</i>	<i>Developing Countries (DCs)</i>	<i>European Union (EU)</i>
<i>Period</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
1995-96	57 925	11 717	35 895	8 464
1996-97	59 678	12 257	38 621	8 171
1997-98	64 217	11 504	40 149	10 236
1997				
March	14 058	2 899	9 612	1 914
June	15 967	3 353	10 362	2 172
September	16 512	3 272	10 400	2 129
December	17 178	3 405	11 066	2 462
1998				
March	14 538	2 287	8 820	2 483
June	15 989	2 540	9 862	3 161
September	15 892	2 498	9 934	3 409
December	16 056	2 758	10 250	3 246

(a) Countries included in country groups are shown in the Appendix.

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MERCHANDISE IMPORTS, By Country

	<i>China</i>	<i>Germany</i>	<i>Japan</i>	<i>Korea, Republic of</i>	<i>New Zealand</i>	<i>Taiwan</i>	<i>United Kingdom</i>	<i>United States of America</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Period</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
1995-96	4 010	4 862	10 816	2 293	3 591	2 585	4 882	17 545	77 792
1996-97	4 203	4 558	10 241	2 550	3 685	2 522	5 182	17 642	78 998
1997-98	5 303	5 207	12 660	3 767	3 723	2 809	5 593	19 834	90 684
1997									
March	958	1 024	2 463	585	845	563	1 229	3 962	18 482
June	978	1 133	2 643	712	906	643	1 326	4 704	20 073
September	1 395	1 197	3 112	802	962	714	1 374	4 670	21 821
December	1 408	1 315	3 191	868	988	733	1 393	4 839	23 042
1998									
March	1 331	1 282	3 052	884	854	672	1 397	5 016	22 252
June	1 169	1 413	3 306	1 213	919	690	1 429	5 309	23 569
September	1 725	1 561	3 458	1 141	1 003	792	1 559	5 487	25 597
December	1 598	1 567	3 505	937	1 050	786	1 395	5 804	25 432

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MERCHANDISE IMPORTS, By Major Country Group(a)

	<i>Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation (APEC)</i>	<i>Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)</i>	<i>Developing Countries (DCs)</i>	<i>European Union (EU)</i>
<i>Period</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
1995-96	52 390	7 372	21 702	19 388
1996-97	52 923	8 300	23 317	19 666
1997-98	62 542	10 495	28 136	21 824
1997				
March	12 238	1 914	5 470	4 633
June	13 643	2 167	5 933	4 870
September	14 952	2 336	6 805	5 193
December	15 795	2 746	7 256	5 595
1998				
March	15 333	2 576	6 843	5 398
June	16 461	2 837	7 233	5 638
September	17 926	3 221	8 400	6 071
December	17 944	3 140	7 950	5 980

(a) Countries included in country groups are shown in the Appendix.

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EXCESS OF EXPORTS OVER IMPORTS, By Country(a)

Period	China	Germany	Japan	Korea, Republic of	New Zealand	Taiwan	United Kingdom	United States of America	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1995-96	- 229	-3 710	5 613	4 322	2 017	867	-2 053	-12 926	-1 787
1996-97	- 619	-3 500	5 136	4 584	2 528	1 098	-2 825	-12 116	-66
1997-98	-1 431	-3 964	4 928	2 631	1 939	1 370	-2 553	-12 041	-2 911
1997									
March	-96	- 763	1 332	952	520	385	- 767	-2 701	595
June	22	- 863	1 284	984	964	378	- 694	-3 139	1 031
September	- 346	- 942	1 286	1 097	514	266	- 700	-2 931	- 298
December	- 342	- 990	1 502	764	480	378	- 726	-3 065	43
1998									
March	- 495	- 977	1 155	308	454	285	- 655	-3 016	-1 965
June	- 248	-1 055	985	462	491	442	- 472	-3 029	- 690
September	- 779	-1 187	1 002	466	478	282	12	-3 353	-2 774
December	- 514	-1 200	945	687	431	315	57	-3 753	-2 439

(a) A negative sign indicates that imports exceed exports.

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EXCESS OF EXPORTS OVER IMPORTS, By Major Country Group(a)(b)

Period	Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation (APEC)	Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)	Developing Countries (DCs)	European Union (EU)
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1995-96	5 535	4 345	14 193	-10 924
1996-97	6 755	3 957	15 304	-11 495
1997-98	1 675	1 009	12 013	-11 587
1997				
March	1 820	985	4 142	-2 718
June	2 323	1 186	4 429	-2 698
September	1 560	936	3 596	-3 063
December	1 383	659	3 811	-3 133
1998				
March	- 795	- 289	1 977	-2 915
June	- 472	- 297	2 630	-2 476
September	-2 034	- 722	1 534	-2 662
December	-1 888	- 382	2 301	-2 734

(a) Countries included in country groups are shown in the Appendix.

(b) A negative sign indicates that imports exceed exports.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Country

Country	SEP QTR 1998		DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Algeria	12	—	19	—	29	—	55	1
Angola	—	—	—	—	4	—	2	—
Argentina	40	19	75	19	119	86	167	77
Australia (Re-imports)	—	92	—	71	—	308	—	328
Austria	13	127	12	117	23	420	43	471
Bahamas	3	3	—	2	2	4	5	7
Bahrain(a)	22	3	25	6	97	26	101	27
Bangladesh	72	8	104	8	253	50	306	44
Barbados	1	—	2	—	4	1	4	1
Belgium-Luxembourg	267	160	255	168	926	734	1 209	702
Bolivia	—	1	—	1	2	5	2	3
Brazil	131	90	100	84	377	373	416	328
Brunei	11	—	11	—	58	1	46	5
Bulgaria	19	2	5	2	18	7	39	7
Cambodia	5	—	3	—	12	2	13	1
Canada	341	402	362	382	1 155	1 251	1 328	1 543
Cayman Islands	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—
Chile	77	12	58	22	164	89	235	64
China	946	1 725	1 084	1 598	3 977	4 739	3 787	5 823
Christmas Island	3	3	3	4	18	6	12	9
Cocos (Keeling) Island	1	—	1	—	4	3	4	—
Colombia	3	6	7	5	62	24	19	19
Cook Islands	2	—	2	1	5	1	6	2
Costa Rica	—	3	1	5	2	7	3	13
Cote d'Ivoire	—	3	—	3	1	7	2	11
Croatia	1	2	4	2	12	7	7	8
Cuba	2	1	—	1	1	4	3	4
Cyprus	3	1	3	1	12	4	11	3
Czech Republic	16	15	19	15	47	48	63	55
Denmark	18	116	26	122	84	389	221	431
Dominican Republic	3	—	8	1	2	2	17	2
Ecuador	4	—	2	1	27	2	17	2
Egypt(a)	85	4	227	3	454	13	534	13
Ethiopia	10	1	1	—	2	2	22	2
Fiji	137	92	150	93	533	284	528	338
Finland	55	159	50	144	289	687	258	625
France	229	579	243	542	903	1 904	891	2 133
French Polynesia	32	1	23	4	117	7	110	7
Germany	374	1 561	367	1 567	1 111	4 668	1 405	5 824
Ghana	14	2	13	3	73	6	54	7
Greece	12	21	11	22	46	88	59	94
Guam	4	—	5	—	17	—	16	—
Guatemala	3	2	4	1	7	4	11	6
Hong Kong	842	340	733	384	3 797	996	3 542	1 194
Hungary	3	21	2	17	9	45	13	67
Iceland(a)	1	1	2	—	5	5	7	4
India	639	197	464	165	1 692	636	2 147	681
Indonesia	630	1 157	558	844	3 390	2 266	2 151	3 562
Iran	72	7	118	5	695	25	389	23
Iraq	77	—	82	52	301	16	314	52
Ireland	26	242	30	280	57	667	93	959
Israel	51	108	31	95	108	348	148	390
Italy	449	766	441	734	1 648	2 369	1 714	2 839
Jamaica	4	—	5	—	10	1	18	1
Japan	4 460	3 458	4 450	3 505	16 814	11 409	17 407	13 320
Jordan	22	13	17	8	51	32	73	35

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Country *continued*

Country	SEP QTR 1998		DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Kenya	9	4	8	4	43	15	41	18
Kiribati	7	—	8	—	21	1	26	1
Korea, Republic of	1 607	1 141	1 625	937	6 763	2 966	6 099	4 175
Kuwait	66	13	80	22	181	104	239	88
Laos	2	—	1	—	7	—	3	—
Lebanon	10	1	15	3	43	6	37	7
Libya	6	—	26	—	93	—	92	—
Lithuania	4	—	2	—	6	1	10	1
Macau	3	2	3	1	7	7	12	8
Madagascar	3	—	1	—	4	1	4	1
Malawi	2	1	—	3	2	5	3	7
Malaysia	485	668	496	767	2 362	2 101	1 827	2 723
Maldives	1	—	3	—	4	—	6	—
Malta	3	1	4	1	11	6	13	5
Marianas Northern	1	—	1	—	4	—	3	1
Marshall Islands	2	—	1	—	4	—	5	—
Mauritius	27	—	30	—	90	2	101	2
Mexico	76	79	78	89	154	190	284	341
Micronesia Fed States of	4	—	3	—	15	—	11	—
Morocco	6	8	16	9	33	15	53	23
Mozambique	2	—	6	—	15	—	21	—
Myanmar	4	2	3	4	24	11	18	13
Namibia	—	1	—	2	2	8	1	5
Nauru	3	2	3	2	24	11	18	9
Nepal	2	—	5	—	7	2	10	2
Netherlands	225	225	196	267	602	855	930	905
Netherlands Antilles	2	1	3	—	7	1	6	2
New Caledonia	45	13	45	14	196	42	179	44
New Zealand	1 481	1 003	1 481	1 050	6 179	3 701	5 679	3 825
Nigeria	1	—	3	—	21	58	11	—
Norfolk Island	4	—	6	—	13	—	17	1
Norway	39	71	52	48	152	169	171	232
Oman	27	11	49	—	167	83	175	12
Pakistan	91	42	57	45	522	156	289	171
Palau	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—
Panama	1	—	—	—	3	—	6	1
Papua New Guinea	266	163	245	169	1 207	959	1 038	698
Peru	33	7	9	3	53	20	72	13
Philippines	323	109	300	106	1 327	377	1 099	393
Poland	8	9	6	11	80	85	30	39
Portugal	13	35	17	34	35	112	43	129
Puerto Rico	2	24	3	20	8	221	9	69
Qatar	13	36	23	10	41	115	71	144
Romania	27	2	9	2	105	8	83	7
Russian Federation	62	5	26	8	157	20	213	22
Samoa	9	14	7	16	36	58	32	56
Samoa (American)	5	1	3	1	11	6	19	5
Saudi Arabia	262	129	242	102	462	808	732	523
Seychelles	3	—	1	—	6	1	10	—
Singapore	631	664	931	674	3 872	2 489	3 273	2 680
Slovak Republic	2	2	1	2	3	3	5	6
Slovenia	1	9	8	9	11	28	13	32
Solomon Islands	25	1	23	1	91	4	96	6
South Africa	249	129	255	129	1 021	473	1 064	561
Spain	104	183	113	166	374	536	547	686
Sri Lanka	59	22	58	20	186	66	213	78
Sudan	8	—	14	—	37	—	40	—
Sweden	53	338	35	423	145	1 537	165	1 509
Switzerland	179	266	139	286	424	897	1 076	1 029
Syria	1	—	3	—	6	1	8	1

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Country *continued*

Country	SEP QTR 1998		DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Taiwan	1 074	792	1 100	786	4 059	2 653	4 263	2 940
Tanzania	16	1	13	1	39	5	49	5
Thailand	319	419	357	485	1 651	1 332	1 279	1 636
Tonga	4	—	5	—	17	1	16	1
Trinidad and Tobago	9	—	7	—	14	2	35	1
Tunisia	—	9	2	—	3	2	10	14
Turkey	102	25	132	32	515	98	561	108
Uganda	1	1	1	1	3	6	4	5
Ukraine	—	4	5	2	12	2	8	6
United Arab Emirates	321	86	278	31	889	636	1 146	338
United Kingdom	1 572	1 559	1 451	1 395	2 434	5 322	4 722	5 780
United States of America	2 135	5 487	2 051	5 804	6 339	18 174	8 466	21 617
United States Virgin Islands	1	—	—	—	8	9	1	1
Uruguay	4	2	3	1	6	4	12	5
Vanuatu	11	—	14	—	43	1	46	1
Venezuela	2	—	8	1	8	2	15	2
Viet Nam	93	202	101	261	237	586	386	761
Wallis and Futuna Islands	2	—	2	—	6	—	6	—
Yemen	26	—	28	12	142	—	127	12
Zimbabwe	9	3	2	5	53	18	18	12
Zone of Coop A-Timor Gap	13	—	10	—	102	—	99	—
Other Countries	43	26	38	25	81	79	172	64
Destination or Origin Unknown	—	15	—	22	1	56	1	63
International Waters	—	—	79	—	123	—	164	—
No Country Details(a)	111	—	118	—	282	—	403	—
Ship and aircraft stores	116	—	123	—	618	—	511	—
Unidentified(b)	—	—	65	—	—	—	65	—
Total trade	22 822	25 597	22 994	25 432	84 789	83 418	88 982	96 850

(a) Exports of Alumina to Bahrain, Egypt and Iceland are excluded from country totals and included in the 'No Country Details' category.

(b) Includes \$10 million of exports for November 1998 and \$55 million for December 1998 which cannot yet be allocated by country.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Major Country Group

Country group	SEP QTR 1998		DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Asia Pacific Economic								
Co-operation (APEC)	15 892	17 926	16 056	17 944	63 714	56 628	62 475	67 664
Australia (Re-imports)	—	92	—	71	—	308	—	328
Brunei(a)	11	—	11	—	58	1	46	5
Canada	341	402	362	382	1 155	1 251	1 328	1 543
Chile	77	12	58	22	164	89	235	64
China	946	1 725	1 084	1 598	3 977	4 739	3 787	5 823
Hong Kong	842	340	733	384	3 797	996	3 542	1 194
Indonesia(a)	630	1 157	558	844	3 390	2 266	2 151	3 562
Japan	4 460	3 458	4 450	3 505	16 814	11 409	17 407	13 320
Korea, Republic of	1 607	1 141	1 625	937	6 763	2 966	6 099	4 175
Malaysia(a)	485	668	496	767	2 362	2 101	1 827	2 723
Mexico	76	79	78	89	154	190	284	341
New Zealand	1 481	1 003	1 481	1 050	6 179	3 701	5 679	3 825
Papua New Guinea	266	163	245	169	1 207	959	1 038	698
Peru	33	7	9	3	53	20	72	13
Philippines(a)	323	109	300	106	1 327	377	1 099	393
Russian Federation	62	5	26	8	157	20	213	22
Singapore(a)	631	664	931	674	3 872	2 489	3 273	2 680
Taiwan	1 074	792	1 100	786	4 059	2 653	4 263	2 940
Thailand(a)	319	419	357	485	1 651	1 332	1 279	1 636
United States of America	2 135	5 487	2 051	5 804	6 339	18 174	8 466	21 617
Viet Nam(a)	93	202	101	261	237	586	386	761
Association of South East								
Asian Nations (ASEAN)	2 498	3 221	2 758	3 140	12 929	9 163	10 084	11 774
Brunei(a)	11	—	11	—	58	1	46	5
Indonesia(a)	630	1 157	558	844	3 390	2 266	2 151	3 562
Laos	2	—	1	—	7	—	3	—
Malaysia(a)	485	668	496	767	2 362	2 101	1 827	2 723
Myanmar	4	2	3	4	24	11	18	13
Philippines(a)	323	109	300	106	1 327	377	1 099	393
Singapore(a)	631	664	931	674	3 872	2 489	3 273	2 680
Thailand(a)	319	419	357	485	1 651	1 332	1 279	1 636
Viet Nam(a)	93	202	101	261	237	586	386	761
European Union (EU)								
European Union (EU)	3 409	6 071	3 246	5 980	8 678	20 291	12 300	23 087
Austria	13	127	12	117	23	420	43	471
Belgium-Luxembourg	267	160	255	168	926	734	1 209	702
Denmark	18	116	26	122	84	389	221	431
Finland	55	159	50	144	289	687	258	625
France	229	579	243	542	903	1 904	891	2 133
Germany	374	1 561	367	1 567	1 111	4 668	1 405	5 824
Greece	12	21	11	22	46	88	59	94
Ireland	26	242	30	280	57	667	93	959
Italy	449	766	441	734	1 648	2 369	1 714	2 839
Netherlands	225	225	196	267	602	855	930	905
Portugal	13	35	17	34	35	112	43	129
Spain	104	183	113	166	374	536	547	686
Sweden	53	338	35	423	145	1 537	165	1 509
United Kingdom	1 572	1 559	1 451	1 395	2 434	5 322	4 722	5 780

(a) Also included in other country groups.

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES

Commodity description and SITC code	Dec Qtr 1997		Sep Qtr 1998		Dec Qtr 1998	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	\$m	%
Food and live animals(a)						
Sheep and goats, live (001.21,22)	50	0.2	45	0.2	50	0.2
Meat of bovine animals fresh, chilled or frozen (011.11-22)	722	3.1	767	3.4	762	3.3
Meat of sheep and goats fresh, chilled or frozen (012.11-13)	203	0.9	150	0.7	186	0.8
Milk and cream and milk products other than butter or cheese (022)	310	1.3	278	1.2	368	1.6
Cheese and curd (024)	184	0.8	166	0.7	200	0.9
Crustaceans, molluscs, and aquatic invertebrates (except canned or bottled) (036)	215	0.9	173	0.8	186	0.8
Wheat (including spelt) and meslin, unmilled (041)	991	4.3	876	3.8	776	3.4
Rice (042)(a)	124	0.5	73	0.3	105	0.5
Barley, unmilled (043)	142	0.6	160	0.7	193	0.8
Sorghum, unmilled (045.30)	3	—	12	0.1	6	—
Fruit and nuts, fresh, dried or preserved and fruit preparations (including fruit and vegetable juices) (057-059)(a)	127	0.6	196	0.9	134	0.6
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)						
Hides and skins, bovine and equine, raw (211.11-13,20)	63	0.3	69	0.3	62	0.3
Skins, sheep and lamb, with wool on, raw (211.60)	91	0.4	56	0.2	29	0.1
Wood, in chips or particles (246.11,15)	168	0.7	132	0.6	170	0.7
Cotton (other than linters), not carded or combed (263.10)	261	1.1	537	2.4	394	1.7
Wool, greasy (including fleece-washed wool) (268.11,19)	802	3.5	360	1.6	448	1.9
Wool, other, not carded or combed (268.21,29)	223	1.0	128	0.6	140	0.6
Iron ore concentrates and agglomerates (excluding roasted iron pyrites) (281.50, 60)	967	4.2	1 089	4.8	1 029	4.5
Copper ores and concentrates (283.10)	233	1.0	220	1.0	333	1.4
Nickel oxide sinters (284.22)	63	0.3	48	0.2	19	0.1
Alumina (aluminium oxide) (285.20)	726	3.1	726	3.2	815	3.5
Uranium and thorium ores and concentrates (286.10,20)	87	0.4	30	0.1	97	0.4
Zinc ores and concentrates (287.50)	153	0.7	152	0.7	167	0.7
Ores and concentrates of molybdenum, niobium, titanium etc. (287.81-85)(a)	145	0.6	129	0.6	171	0.7
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials						
Coal, whether or not pulverised but not agglomerated (321)	2 397	10.4	2 558	11.2	2 425	10.5
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude (333)	539	2.3	507	2.2	413	1.8
Petroleum products (334,335)	532	2.3	404	1.8	352	1.5
Gas, natural and manufactured (34)	571	2.5	463	2.0	471	2.0
Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)						
Plastics in primary and non-primary forms (57,58)(a)	122	0.5	107	0.5	99	0.4
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material						
Iron and steel (67)	469	2.0	451	2.0	351	1.5
Copper and copper alloys, unwrought (excluding master alloys) (682.11,12,14)	72	0.3	83	0.4	66	0.3
Nickel and nickel alloys, unwrought (683.11,12)	117	0.5	93	0.4	116	0.5
Aluminium (684)	841	3.6	906	4.0	834	3.6
Lead and lead alloys, unwrought (685.11,12)	104	0.5	84	0.4	78	0.3
Zinc and zinc alloys, unwrought (686.11,12)	120	0.5	135	0.6	93	0.4
Machinery and transport equipment						
Power generating machinery and equipment (71)	285	1.2	201	0.9	199	0.9
Machinery specialised for particular industries (72)	317	1.4	333	1.5	501	2.2
Office machines and automatic data processing machines (75)	488	2.1	371	1.6	373	1.6
Cars and other road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles) (78)	533	2.3	525	2.3	591	2.6
Aircraft and associated equipment; spacecraft (including satellites) and spacecraft launch vehicles; and parts thereof (792)	155	0.7	207	0.9	187	0.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles						
Photographic and cinematographic supplies (882)	146	0.6	111	0.5	106	0.5
Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC						
Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates) (971)	1 431	6.2	2 070	9.1	1 904	8.3
Total major commodities(a)	16 290	70.6	16 179	70.9	15 997	69.6
Total trade	23 085	100.0	22 822	100.0	22 994	100.0

(a) Excludes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction.
See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES

Commodity description and SITC code	Dec Qtr 1997		Sep Qtr 1998		Dec Qtr 1998	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	\$m	%
Food and live animals						
Fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof (03)	193	0.8	160	0.6	215	0.8
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials						
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude (333)	919	4.0	851	3.3	937	3.7
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (other than crude) (334)	198	0.9	142	0.6	158	0.6
Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)						
Organic chemicals (51)(a)	553	2.4	508	2.0	672	2.6
Inorganic chemicals (52)(a)	158	0.7	195	0.8	203	0.8
Medical and pharmaceutical products (54)	620	2.7	785	3.1	722	2.8
Plastics in primary and non-primary forms (57, 58)	460	2.0	469	1.8	509	2.0
Chemical materials and products, n.e.s. (59)	293	1.3	293	1.1	327	1.3
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material						
Rubber tyres, interchangeable tyre treads, tyre flaps and inner tubes for wheels of all kinds (625)	191	0.8	227	0.9	204	0.8
Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard (64)	509	2.2	571	2.2	525	2.1
Textile yarn (651)	129	0.6	145	0.6	133	0.5
Woven fabrics of cotton or man-made textile material (excluding narrow or special fabrics) (652, 653)	185	0.8	211	0.8	182	0.7
Clay and refractory construction materials and mineral manufactures, n.e.s. (662, 663)	138	0.6	150	0.6	154	0.6
Glass, glassware and pottery (664, 665, 666)	133	0.6	155	0.6	159	0.6
Iron and steel (67)	405	1.8	405	1.6	374	1.5
Manufactures of base metals n.e.s. (699)	237	1.0	246	1.0	251	1.0
Machinery and transport equipment(a)						
Internal combustion piston engines, and parts thereof n.e.s (713)	254	1.1	306	1.2	286	1.1
Tractors, track-laying and wheeled (722)	132	0.6	153	0.6	177	0.7
Civil engineering and contractors' plant and equipment (723)	314	1.4	321	1.3	306	1.2
Machinery and equipment specialised for particular industries and parts thereof (728)	299	1.3	266	1.0	289	1.1
Pumps, centrifuges, filtering or purifying apparatus and parts thereof (743)	268	1.2	328	1.3	327	1.3
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof (752)	1 049	4.6	1 095	4.3	1 067	4.2
Parts and accessories for office and automatic data processing machines (759)	528	2.3	579	2.3	517	2.0
Television and radio broadcast receivers (761, 762)	266	1.2	239	0.9	293	1.2
Telecommunication equipment n.e.s. and parts n.e.s. and accessories (764)	765	3.3	715	2.8	815	3.2
Electrical apparatus for switching or protecting electrical circuits (772)	235	1.0	260	1.0	251	1.0
Household type, electrical and non-electrical equipment n.e.s. (775)(a)	243	1.1	221	0.9	283	1.1
Electrical machinery and apparatus n.e.s. (778)	360	1.6	406	1.6	369	1.5
Passenger motor vehicles (other than public transport type vehicles) including station wagons and racing cars (781)	1 540	6.7	1 601	6.3	1 562	6.1
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods (782.11,19)	527	2.3	517	2.0	546	2.1
Parts and accessories of motor vehicles and tractors, track-laying and wheeled (784)	458	2.0	583	2.3	557	2.2
Aircraft and associated equipment; spacecraft (including satellites) and spacecraft launch vehicles; and parts thereof (792)	406	1.8	784	3.1	833	3.3
Ships, boats (including hovercraft) and floating structures (793)	164	0.7	50	0.2	62	0.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles						
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories (84)	526	2.3	693	2.7	547	2.1
Measuring, checking, analysing and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s. (874)	396	1.7	438	1.7	416	1.6
Photographic and cinematographic supplies (882)	152	0.7	149	0.6	131	0.5
Printed matter (892)	253	1.1	291	1.1	268	1.1
Baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods (894)	323	1.4	375	1.5	323	1.3
Total major commodities(a)	14 778	64.1	15 884	62.1	15 953	62.7
Total trade	23 042	100.0	25 597	100.0	25 432	100.0

(a) Excludes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction.
See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Commodity—quarterly

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1997		SEP QTR 1998		DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	4 562	915	3 831	911	3 942	1 028
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	155	30	127	29	162	20
01 Meat and meat preparations	1 018	19	1 018	11	1 058	19
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	593	55	512	51	676	72
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	305	193	324	160	254	215
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	1 373	63	1 243	67	1 203	67
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	273	180	314	166	272	189
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	564	25	43	28	43	32
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	55	163	49	180	52	171
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	144	34	129	43	140	34
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	82	153	73	176	82	208
1 Beverages and tobacco	257	172	318	160	298	178
11 Beverages	243	136	299	122	282	135
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	14	36	19	37	16	42
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	4 725	419	4 450	440	4 729	420
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	165	1	134	—	101	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	62	27	59	12	133	28
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	2	29	2	30	2	27
24 Cork and wood	193	124	151	131	200	121
25 Pulp and waste paper	6	37	6	53	7	46
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	1 459	36	1 178	39	1 103	30
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	104	45	110	54	122	54
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	2 668	55	2 744	62	2 997	45
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	66	63	67	58	64	68
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(b)	4 048	1 198	3 936	1 078	3 666	1 191
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	2 406	6	2 563	6	2 430	7
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	1 071	1 170	910	1 055	765	1 158
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	571	22	463	18	471	25
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)	81	62	103	71	100	76
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	55	1	69	2	71	2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)	13	55	21	63	17	67
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	13	5	13	6	12	6
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	830	2 532	893	2 748	864	2 914
51 Organic chemicals(b)	31	553	41	508	35	672
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	90	158	79	195	80	203
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	115	113	122	125	137	117
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	276	620	337	785	309	722
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	78	190	72	233	73	224
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)	5	145	11	140	9	138
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)	76	251	64	246	58	262
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	46	210	43	222	41	247
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	114	293	123	293	122	327

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1997		SEP QTR 1998		DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	2 724	3 160	2 728	3 451	2 486	3 314
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.	141	36	128	37	127	31
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	46	307	45	347	41	317
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	33	103	24	99	30	107
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	101	509	104	571	101	525
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	175	638	162	720	150	657
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)	196	363	201	423	201	399
67 Iron and steel	469	405	451	405	351	374
68 Non-ferrous metals(b)	1 377	183	1 442	206	1 310	248
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(b)	187	616	171	643	175	656
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	3 007	10 772	2 534	11 646	2 898	11 702
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	285	517	201	596	199	572
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	317	1 081	333	1 206	501	1 133
73 Metal working machinery	55	181	54	152	47	123
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)	297	1 464	248	1 567	286	1 610
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	488	1 673	371	1 773	373	1 689
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	331	1 142	177	1 043	237	1 227
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(b)	338	1 363	340	1 496	358	1 513
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	533	2 772	525	2 966	591	2 928
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	363	578	286	847	306	907
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)	874	3 443	865	4 171	915	3 774
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	26	72	22	80	21	82
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	26	187	23	227	29	218
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	4	107	3	110	4	105
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	90	526	98	693	96	547
85 Footwear	14	165	21	268	17	186
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	219	594	238	665	234	646
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	199	379	164	375	175	396
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	296	1 414	297	1 752	340	1 595
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)(d)	1 979	370	3 163	921	3 097	836
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	165	11	188	9	293	11
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	52	4	33	2	38	1
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	1	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	1 431	334	2 070	875	1 904	791
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)(d)	331	21	871	35	861	33
Total trade	23 085	23 042	22 822	25 597	22 994	25 432

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	17 200	3 190	15 109	3 662
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	743	121	562	121
01 Meat and meat preparations	3 443	70	3 906	58
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	1 832	194	2 141	238
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	1 205	630	1 178	729
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	6 041	203	5 031	230
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	1 156	591	1 135	666
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1 723	90	153	103
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	196	580	175	677
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	558	133	527	156
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	304	579	301	684
1 Beverages and tobacco	892	543	1 151	590
11 Beverages	834	401	1 081	435
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	58	142	70	155
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	17 143	1 559	17 915	1 623
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	545	3	509	1
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	254	92	451	65
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	9	129	8	117
24 Cork and wood	683	462	699	481
25 Pulp and waste paper	17	123	22	172
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	5 223	149	4 485	138
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	384	163	449	192
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	9 801	198	11 044	200
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	227	240	248	259
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(b)	14 966	5 024	15 098	4 325
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	8 821	15	9 862	27
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	4 104	4 915	3 380	4 227
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	2 042	94	1 855	71
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)	270	271	383	269
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	196	9	264	8
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)	31	240	70	238
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	43	22	50	24
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	3 216	9 397	3 380	11 034
51 Organic chemicals(b)	143	2 070	139	2 265
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	329	634	317	778
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	441	425	525	470
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	1 057	2 215	1 222	2 843
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	298	675	282	825
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	21	661	31	775
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	317	925	236	1 011
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	161	753	160	870
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	447	1 039	470	1 197

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	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	9 918	11 530	10 394	13 024
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.	509	159	495	138
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	162	1 143	164	1 320
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	110	366	104	419
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)	417	1 833	422	2 090
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	626	2 385	584	2 600
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)	781	1 336	696	1 556
67 Iron and steel	1 666	1 466	1 824	1 609
68 Non-ferrous metals(b)	4 896	692	5 408	873
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(b)	751	2 151	698	2 417
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	11 321	38 698	10 687	44 397
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	1 036	1 953	804	2 162
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	1 190	4 033	1 364	4 456
73 Metal working machinery	222	598	182	529
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)	1 147	5 039	1 028	5 854
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	1 677	6 496	1 561	7 083
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	986	3 766	862	4 148
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(b)	1 262	5 084	1 326	5 715
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	1 869	9 589	1 860	11 724
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	1 933	2 141	1 701	2 725
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)	3 049	12 288	3 281	14 557
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	89	259	83	307
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	99	613	97	751
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	14	357	12	361
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	376	2 049	362	2 418
85 Footwear	59	658	61	781
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	704	2 139	868	2 457
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	666	1 315	617	1 422
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	1 043	4 896	1 180	6 059
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)(d)	6 814	918	11 583	3 369
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	538	38	763	42
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	130	9	134	6
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	1	1	3	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	4 924	795	7 642	3 174
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)(d)	1 221	75	3 039	147
Total trade	84 789	83 418	88 982	96 850

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	43	26	198	87	208	98
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	—	2	—	11	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	8	—	30	—	33	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	3	—	11	1	13	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	25	3	84	12	126	11
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	—	3	4	8	1	10
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	1	13	11	43	8	51
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1	—	46	1	2	2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	1	1	4	7	2	7
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	2	—	5	—	9	1
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	1	5	2	14	3	17
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	1	6	6	8	2	14
11 Beverages	1	1	6	—	2	1
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	6	—	7	—	13
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	583	7	2 187	36	1 962	36
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	12	—	47	—	65	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	65	2	31	7	92	5
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	—	—	—	—	—
24 Cork and wood	—	—	—	—	—	1
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	166	—	1 077	1	681	1
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	—	1	3	10	3	12
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	338	—	1 012	3	1 106	4
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	3	4	17	14	14	13
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	87	15	303	39	268	75
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	45	2	89	3	127	4
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	2	13	88	36	30	71
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	39	—	126	—	110	—
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	8	1	42	4	45	6
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	7	—	39	—	34	—
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	—	1	2	4	10	5
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	—	1	—	2	—
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	23	66	82	184	94	217
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	1	25	2	64	2	74
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	3	13	8	46	15	47
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	11	4	23	8	38	13
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	3	7	22	23	10	25
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	1	3	3	10	4	14
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	2	—	1	—	4
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	2	1	13	2	8	3
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	1	5	5	9	5	13
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	7	6	20	12	23

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	48	265	211	746	271	921
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	3	1	22	3	13	3
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	—	9	1	31	1	42
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	—	9	2	31	2	33
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	6	15	21	40	42	45
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	4	82	13	278	15	312
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	44	5	92	7	129
67 Iron and steel(b)	12	13	39	29	41	46
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	16	15	86	26	138	48
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	5	78	20	217	12	262
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	35	420	159	1 036	148	1 321
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	2	6	6	23	4	26
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	5	7	27	21	41	24
73 Metal working machinery	1	4	5	14	3	15
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	12	53	36	94	30	135
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	1	65	8	226	8	287
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)	2	117	15	273	18	346
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	7	139	30	308	32	413
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	5	27	4	73	8	70
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	—	1	27	3	4	4
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	22	778	37	2 549	62	3 086
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	—	24	1	68	1	77
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	1	34	1	86	3	105
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	62	—	196	—	205
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	6	284	16	1 094	25	1 358
85 Footwear(a)	—	99	—	302	1	373
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	7	11	9	25	16	30
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	5	30	3	64	7	86
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	2	235	7	715	9	852
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	235	12	752	51	726	49
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	2	—	9	—	6	—
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	—	—	—	—	—	—
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	233	12	742	51	720	49
Total trade	1 084	1 598	3 977	4 739	3 787	5 823

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	18	12	62	36	75	42
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	—	—	—	—	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	8	—	26	—	31	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	2	1	3	5	6	5
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	1	1	3	4	3	4
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	—	2	—	3	1	4
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	5	1	22	2	29	2
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	2	2	5	4	4	6
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	—	3	2	11	1	13
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	—	—	—	1	—	1
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	—	1	—	5	—	5
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	7	2	15	4	20	4
11 Beverages	7	2	15	4	20	4
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	104	6	483	18	573	23
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	—	—	3	—	3	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	—	—	1	—	32	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	1	—	3	—	5
24 Cork and wood	—	1	1	1	1	2
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	1
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	43	1	221	5	210	6
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	6	—	16	2	24	1
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	51	—	230	1	289	1
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	4	2	11	6	14	7
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	55	1	74	5	133	6
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	55	—	74	1	132	1
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	—	1	—	4	—	5
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	—	1	—	1	1	3
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	—	1	—	—	—	1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	—	—	—	—	—	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	—	—	—	1	1	2
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	12	229	32	748	44	929
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	2	25	8	136	10	128
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	1	8	4	30	5	31
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	1	17	3	71	4	70
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	5	96	7	238	16	389
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	—	12	8	32	5	44
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	5	—	21	—	26
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	—	16	—	76	—	69
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	—	18	—	49	—	59
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	31	2	94	4	112

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	15	192	90	586	70	738
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	1	1	3	2	5	3
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	—	19	—	61	1	76
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	—	3	1	5	1	8
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	—	41	—	128	1	160
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	2	16	7	55	8	66
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	2	19	8	59	7	71
67 Iron and steel(b)	—	18	2	50	4	80
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	7	25	60	66	35	86
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	51	7	161	7	188
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	95	945	199	2 693	297	3 423
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	4	69	44	188	17	229
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	7	190	18	430	20	651
73 Metal working machinery	5	10	15	74	13	55
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	5	158	29	540	17	636
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	10	17	29	45	49	59
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	3	36	9	111	13	99
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	46	115	26	379	127	449
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	13	346	27	886	29	1 227
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	2	4	2	40	13	17
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	23	143	50	442	85	504
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	—	5	1	15	1	16
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	—	6	—	13	1	19
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	—	—	1	—	1
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	2	4	5	13	6	15
85 Footwear(a)	—	1	—	7	—	9
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	15	63	29	205	56	230
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	2	17	3	63	3	70
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	4	47	12	127	19	145
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	39	36	105	136	106	152
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	1	1	3	4	5	4
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	11	—	47	1	34	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	—	—	—	—	—	—
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	26	34	54	131	66	148
Total trade	367	1 567	1 111	4 668	1 405	5 824

(a) Excludes export commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—Germany' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(c) Includes export and import commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Excludes import commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—Germany' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	778	14	2 950	41	2 991	52
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	3	1	19	—	13	1
01 Meat and meat preparations	396	—	1 392	1	1 496	1
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	108	—	328	—	394	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	95	5	488	16	429	26
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	22	1	116	4	128	3
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	51	1	111	2	135	2
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	7	—	109	1	27	1
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	9	1	37	4	32	4
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	75	1	305	4	293	3
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	12	4	44	10	42	12
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	9	1	30	10	51	3
11 Beverages	9	1	30	2	51	2
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	—	—	8	—	1
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	986	13	3 636	52	3 828	52
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	3	—	22	—	15	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	24	—	147	—	160	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	3	—	10	—	10
24 Cork and wood	165	—	594	—	625	—
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	125	2	517	6	493	7
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	5	5	14	19	20	18
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	650	2	2 292	6	2 466	7
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	15	3	50	11	48	10
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	1 194	7	4 626	11	4 811	22
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	1 046	—	3 970	1	4 152	3
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	106	7	482	9	486	19
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	42	—	173	—	172	—
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	5	—	22	—	25	1
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	1	—	7	—	6	—
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	2	—	4	—	6	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	2	—	11	—	13	—
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	49	125	190	434	198	474
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	2	38	21	130	19	136
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	17	8	47	47	58	35
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	8	11	31	33	29	44
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	7	11	30	49	30	49
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	2	3	7	7	7	10
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	2	—	1	—	3
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	1	22	4	63	2	81
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	—	21	2	66	1	75
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	12	11	49	38	51	41

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	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	370	315	1 480	1 093	1 585	1 213
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	1	—	10	2	8	1
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	5	92	27	373	22	386
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	5	—	19	—	19	—
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	1	23	4	90	2	93
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	3	26	12	91	11	100
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	20	23	125	84	85	89
67 Iron and steel(b)	15	116	68	334	57	415
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	317	8	1 189	29	1 361	30
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	3	27	26	91	20	97
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	106	2 696	462	8 835	395	10 388
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	31	63	89	176	110	274
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	5	159	29	570	21	578
73 Metal working machinery(b)	1	32	5	199	4	148
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	9	217	48	699	38	769
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	32	232	150	1 057	111	1 057
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	2	181	10	527	15	658
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	9	133	24	484	29	503
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	11	1 669	87	5 067	55	6 361
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	4	11	21	54	13	39
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	36	270	143	809	161	916
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	—	2	3	20	3	24
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	2	1	5	7	5	8
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	—	2	1	1	1
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1	1	11	8	7	8
85 Footwear(a)	1	—	1	—	2	—
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	18	42	49	179	74	179
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	3	76	18	248	12	284
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	11	146	53	346	58	413
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	916	63	3 274	124	3 363	200
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	3	—	19	1	8	2
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	4	—	8	—	6	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	139	—	205	—	394	—
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	770	63	3 041	123	2 955	198
Total trade	4 450	3 505	16 814	11 409	17 407	13 320

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	89	8	338	19	183	28
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	—	8	—	1	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	65	—	163	—	114	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	12	—	44	—	32	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	—	3	4	5	1	8
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	3	2	15	3	11	8
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	1	—	8	—	4	—
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1	1	73	2	4	3
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	3	—	7	2	5	2
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	2	—	6	—	5	1
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	2	1	9	7	7	6
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	—	—	2	1	1	—
11 Beverages	—	—	2	1	1	—
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	366	3	1 064	7	1 316	10
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	—	—	3	—	3	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	7	—	13	—	23	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	1	—	2	—	3
24 Cork and wood	12	—	45	—	18	—
25 Pulp and waste paper	1	—	1	—	3	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	68	1	297	5	245	5
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	—	—	3	—	1	—
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	276	—	697	—	1 019	—
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	1	—	3	1	4	1
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	347	7	1 189	9	1 430	34
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	241	—	977	—	1 175	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	106	7	211	9	255	33
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	1	—	16	—	11	1
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	1	—	7	—	2	1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	—	—	6	—	7	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	—	3	—	2	—
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	28	43	125	159	89	158
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	—	7	11	36	2	26
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	1	1	8	8	4	9
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	19	2	62	9	59	7
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	3	—	14	3	12	2
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	1	—	7	1	4	1
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	1	14	5	48	3	57
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	—	13	3	37	1	42
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	2	4	16	18	5	12

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	170	171	733	597	610	719
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	—	—	24	5	2	3
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	—	22	2	90	1	109
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	2	—	8	—	6	—
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	—	28	2	66	1	94
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	2	49	12	211	7	209
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	8	13	19	4	25
67 Iron and steel(b)	16	36	168	124	101	169
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	146	7	495	17	482	31
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	2	22	9	64	5	78
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	87	447	503	1 777	264	1 840
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	54	4	339	14	163	11
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	2	11	13	36	7	43
73 Metal working machinery	—	2	11	12	2	12
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	4	79	36	121	24	160
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	7	25	35	189	24	137
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	9	102	1	255	11	395
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	2	46	17	150	8	152
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	8	179	48	882	18	850
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	1	—	4	118	6	81
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	19	43	125	129	70	162
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	—	—	1	1	—	1
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	—	1	2	4	1	3
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	1	—	5	—	5
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	—	7	8	24	1	27
85 Footwear(a)	—	4	—	13	—	13
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	4	2	18	11	11	7
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	10	5	77	9	43	12
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	4	23	17	63	13	93
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	517	215	2 668	268	2 125	1 224
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	1	—	2	—	2	—
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	294	192	1 852	160	1 258	1 138
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	223	23	813	108	864	86
Total trade	1 625	937	6 763	2 966	6 099	4 175

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	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	123	172	472	565	457	636
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	4	13	11	74	16	83
01 Meat and meat preparations	8	4	19	17	27	14
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	6	45	27	116	25	145
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	2	39	6	115	8	128
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	21	9	91	33	87	35
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	26	32	81	119	92	122
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	7	5	72	14	27	15
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	14	5	52	11	58	12
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	12	1	36	4	38	4
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	21	20	78	61	78	79
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	27	18	90	31	95	46
11 Beverages	25	18	85	30	88	44
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	1	1	5	1	6	2
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	25	88	74	321	88	358
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	7	—	13	1	21	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	1	—	2	1	4	1
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	1	—	5	—	5	—
24 Cork and wood	3	51	6	167	8	205
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	21	—	68	—	79
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	1	8	6	49	5	42
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	4	1	16	2	17	3
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	5	2	13	6	18	5
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	2	5	13	27	9	23
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	73	63	516	339	381	239
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	1	4	2	5	2	15
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	71	58	514	326	377	218
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	1	1	1	8	2	5
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	3	1	6	3	12	4
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	—	—	1	1	3	2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	2	—	1	—	6	1
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	—	3	1	3	2
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	188	106	709	292	693	333
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	5	2	25	9	24	9
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	8	2	28	6	31	7
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	15	3	53	11	53	9
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	66	7	262	24	253	28
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	32	27	121	85	121	93
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	1	1	3	3	5	1
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	16	7	73	21	64	23
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	15	17	55	47	53	55
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	27	41	89	86	90	107

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	235	235	892	858	881	932
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	2	7	11	55	10	34
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	7	13	29	42	29	58
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excl. furniture)(a)	4	18	16	73	16	72
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	61	65	203	197	223	265
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	35	47	128	151	120	165
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	21	3	94	9	84	11
67 Iron and steel(b)	26	17	114	84	115	85
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	43	33	153	121	147	123
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	35	32	145	126	137	119
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	433	186	2 174	599	1 707	637
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	15	2	84	8	62	7
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	44	29	129	58	152	77
73 Metal working machinery	6	3	26	4	21	7
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	45	44	157	176	165	164
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	89	4	443	17	423	20
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)	25	8	81	34	79	30
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	69	72	296	243	267	263
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	105	14	338	27	415	38
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	36	11	620	32	122	32
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	233	114	821	449	844	430
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	7	2	26	10	26	11
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	10	16	32	52	33	52
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	2	1	5	4	5	4
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	36	28	155	128	153	121
85 Footwear(a)	7	7	29	31	25	27
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	30	9	115	26	124	29
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	31	1	98	2	97	4
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	111	50	362	196	381	184
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	141	65	425	242	521	211
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	47	—	129	1	148	1
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	4	44	14	206	13	154
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	91	22	281	35	360	57
Total trade	1 481	1 050	6 179	3 701	5 679	3 825

(a) Excludes export commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—New Zealand' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Excludes import commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—New Zealand' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(c) Includes export and import commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	143	11	580	31	515	37
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	—	—	—	—	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	52	—	162	—	155	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	30	—	82	—	94	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	31	5	213	17	171	17
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	3	1	13	3	12	3
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	10	1	27	3	34	3
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	4	1	47	1	6	1
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	4	—	7	—	10	—
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	5	2	17	2	21	6
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	4	2	12	4	13	6
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	1	3	10	13	5	17
11 Beverages	1	—	10	—	5	—
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	3	—	13	—	16
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	157	6	644	26	630	23
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	1	—	6	—	4	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	—	—	1	—	1	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	—	—	2	—	1
24 Cork and wood	8	—	9	1	14	1
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	55	3	259	16	234	12
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	1	—	3	—	4	—
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	90	1	360	3	364	3
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	2	1	6	4	7	5
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	224	—	1 107	8	995	—
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	147	—	758	—	712	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	77	—	349	8	283	—
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	11	1	35	1	43	2
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	9	—	29	—	35	—
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	—	—	—	—	—	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	2	—	6	1	8	2
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	35	48	115	164	136	185
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	—	4	3	21	1	24
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	3	1	9	7	11	7
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	4	1	16	5	16	5
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	17	1	43	5	70	5
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	3	6	12	23	12	26
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	1	—	2	—	2
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	3	13	17	29	13	37
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	2	20	4	66	5	69
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	2	2	10	6	8	9

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	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	211	167	859	633	912	683
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	4	1	33	5	20	5
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	1	12	5	44	4	46
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	3	2	14	7	11	6
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	2	6	11	31	11	34
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	2	51	12	189	8	208
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	6	11	16	40	18	46
67 Iron and steel(b)	22	12	187	67	117	68
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	171	2	572	8	717	9
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	70	10	241	5	261
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	45	415	182	1 332	181	1 539
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	8	9	32	31	39	33
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	4	15	9	59	12	56
73 Metal working machinery	1	8	1	35	2	37
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	5	46	22	116	19	142
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	13	217	71	695	57	848
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	2	26	3	85	7	93
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	4	60	22	219	18	225
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	7	33	20	85	25	99
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	—	—	2	7	1	7
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	23	125	74	401	81	420
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	1	10	1	25	1	31
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	1	18	2	52	1	58
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	3	—	9	—	8
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	—	7	1	30	1	31
85 Footwear(a)	—	3	—	9	—	11
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	2	7	10	22	10	27
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	9	15	44	40	39	43
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	10	63	17	214	28	211
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	249	10	452	44	764	36
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	7	—	24	—	30	—
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	1	—	9	—	7	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	127	—	74	—	271	—
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	115	10	345	44	456	36
Total trade	1 100	786	4 059	2 653	4 263	2 940

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)(b)	47	40	196	114	213	124
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	3	—	10	1	16
01 Meat and meat preparations	26	—	107	—	114	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	8	1	27	3	27	3
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	1	2	—	7	2	7
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	1	5	4	14	6	16
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	8	2	40	6	52	5
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1	3	7	12	7	9
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	—	14	1	33	1	31
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	—	—	8	4	—	1
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	1	10	2	27	2	36
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	111	31	314	113	447	108
11 Beverages	111	29	314	110	447	103
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	1	—	4	—	5
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	68	14	303	39	313	60
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	1	—	5	—	4	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	—	—	1	—	4	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	1	—	3	—	3
24 Cork and wood	2	—	6	1	6	1
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	11	4	109	19	69	16
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	1	1	3	4	4	4
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	50	6	173	5	219	27
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	2	2	6	7	7	10
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	99	1	270	5	368	4
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	99	—	255	—	358	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	—	1	—	5	10	3
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	15	—	—	—
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	1	—	3	3	4	2
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	1	—	2	1	3	1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	—	—	1	1	1	1
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	—	—	—	1	—	—
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	40	324	136	1 150	169	1 321
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	—	62	1	226	1	263
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	—	8	8	31	2	34
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	1	12	2	43	15	52
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	33	152	100	567	126	654
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	2	27	8	79	8	94
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	3	—	14	1	10
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	—	13	—	50	1	49
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	2	20	9	60	7	73
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	26	7	81	8	92

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	64	155	282	629	325	652
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	—	1	1	6	1	4
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	5	13	20	56	23	57
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	1	1	1	3	4	2
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	—	16	1	69	6	69
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	10	26	38	99	42	101
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	3	25	18	94	13	101
67 Iron and steel(b)	1	23	2	106	8	103
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	39	11	183	54	205	50
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	5	39	16	142	24	164
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	109	535	436	2 283	440	2 410
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	8	61	38	249	47	243
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	9	71	34	315	39	377
73 Metal working machinery	4	6	13	28	13	26
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	20	77	84	353	92	364
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	10	46	53	212	48	185
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)	9	77	17	322	29	308
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	16	83	52	281	64	346
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	16	85	14	419	34	440
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	16	29	132	104	75	121
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	61	283	127	909	166	1 032
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	1	4	1	13	2	15
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	1	9	4	18	4	37
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	1	—	4	—	3
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	3	4	12	28	9	21
85 Footwear(a)	1	5	3	17	2	20
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	12	58	38	200	41	226
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	5	13	11	45	18	47
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	39	189	57	584	90	663
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	851	12	367	76	2 276	66
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	3	1	5	6	11	4
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—	—	1	—	—	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	706	—	17	—	1 872	18
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	142	11	345	69	393	44
Total trade	1 451	1 395	2 434	5 322	4 722	5 780

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	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)(b)	289	119	909	341	1 232	435
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	1	1	2	13	3	19
01 Meat and meat preparations	230	1	639	6	913	7
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	22	1	34	4	64	5
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	17	14	73	32	117	41
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	1	10	3	23	3	31
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	11	39	67	109	91	128
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	5	4	68	12	15	15
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	—	11	4	37	2	50
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	3	14	16	48	15	61
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	1	23	4	57	8	79
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	61	24	156	92	225	104
11 Beverages	61	16	156	60	225	67
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	8	—	31	—	37
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	66	69	282	295	302	255
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	—	—	—	—	2	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	1	21	10	72	24	46
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	6	—	19	—	22
24 Cork and wood	2	8	6	60	10	40
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	6	—	18	—	20
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	28	5	157	20	123	20
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	6	8	12	32	28	32
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	22	1	68	10	82	3
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	6	15	28	63	34	71
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	92	67	473	195	522	258
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	2	—	4	—	5	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	90	67	468	193	504	256
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	—	1	13	2
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	3	2	4	5	6	6
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	3	—	1	—	3	1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	—	—	1	2	1	2
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	—	1	2	3	2	4
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	80	803	205	2 379	285	2 892
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	2	241	1	409	5	572
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	3	38	21	147	12	125
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	18	29	22	97	39	106
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	20	122	54	316	79	489
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	6	69	13	217	17	263
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	69	—	336	—	399
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	1	55	1	224	4	224
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	1	65	6	221	5	246
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	29	116	87	411	124	467

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	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	236	462	509	1 586	975	1 789
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	22	1	44	6	62	5
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	8	52	16	173	30	204
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	2	8	10	27	10	32
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	1	75	4	342	3	343
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	14	69	44	244	58	269
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	26	34	66	135	90	141
67 Iron and steel(b)	69	26	217	117	418	110
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	64	77	55	94	209	193
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	29	120	55	449	95	491
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	537	3 021	1 955	9 934	1 929	11 359
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	21	266	114	877	135	968
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	46	384	142	1 423	206	1 531
73 Metal working machinery	13	22	66	94	54	98
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	37	444	105	1 469	135	1 661
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	74	462	334	1 857	316	1 977
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)	26	170	63	603	83	589
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	37	299	134	1 184	148	1 214
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	159	244	614	1 128	420	1 283
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	124	730	383	1 299	433	2 038
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	157	824	376	2 957	526	3 283
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	1	7	2	24	2	31
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	3	14	10	45	10	58
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	1	3	2	10	2	10
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	13	14	36	61	46	58
85 Footwear(a)	4	4	8	15	12	15
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	68	307	156	994	236	1 174
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	15	104	35	450	37	437
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	52	372	128	1 358	181	1 501
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	530	414	1 470	390	2 464	1 236
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	125	4	34	20	193	22
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	15	—	23	1	28	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	1	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	11	303	14	1	785	757
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	379	107	1 399	368	1 458	456
Total trade	2 051	5 804	6 339	18 174	8 466	21 617

(a) Excludes export commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—United States of America' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Excludes import commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—United States of America' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(c) Includes export and import commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)(b)	2 189	636	8 734	2 024	8 264	2 325
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	68	17	469	102	210	105
01 Meat and meat preparations	885	17	2 904	64	3 252	51
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	446	47	1 382	124	1 506	153
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	237	180	1 183	514	1 126	597
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	99	45	413	128	432	153
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	189	114	769	379	768	422
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	32	15	709	43	112	48
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	45	87	170	300	149	351
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	117	31	472	116	444	140
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	71	82	263	254	263	304
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	132	61	397	185	491	214
11 Beverages	124	41	377	114	462	136
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	8	20	20	71	29	78
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	2 544	301	9 194	1 183	9 432	1 194
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	32	—	108	2	129	1
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	99	25	208	87	320	58
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	2	22	8	106	7	93
24 Cork and wood	194	111	668	434	685	448
25 Pulp and waste paper	6	42	17	118	21	157
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	711	23	3 242	111	2 753	105
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	26	21	79	80	107	83
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	1 437	20	4 711	85	5 263	89
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	37	37	153	159	147	159
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	2 280	981	9 685	3 259	9 493	3 286
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	1 582	7	6 065	13	6 548	24
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	616	970	3 231	3 210	2 647	3 234
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	82	5	389	37	298	28
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	50	38	157	130	188	148
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	25	1	93	5	96	5
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	17	33	29	109	55	124
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	8	5	35	16	37	19
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	651	1 404	2 522	4 283	2 487	5 153
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	19	350	100	811	84	998
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	56	85	192	322	207	329
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	109	58	389	199	379	222
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	209	168	774	474	824	677
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	65	123	259	392	245	466
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	8	97	19	453	26	553
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	48	155	273	474	191	576
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	34	161	130	500	125	572
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	103	206	385	657	406	760

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	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	1 873	2 045	7 778	6 963	7 795	7 899
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	49	14	202	87	161	65
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	30	230	119	836	119	962
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	22	73	98	245	82	268
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	94	295	395	973	387	1 166
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	94	413	387	1 545	362	1 653
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	104	196	501	625	419	736
67 Iron and steel(b)	256	241	1 519	882	1 345	995
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	1 086	170	3 960	380	4 402	539
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	137	413	597	1 389	518	1 514
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	1 962	8 709	8 556	28 054	7 190	32 642
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	173	367	874	1 249	676	1 429
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	417	651	815	2 363	1 028	2 510
73 Metal working machinery(b)	29	75	164	374	118	330
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	211	1 024	865	3 030	741	3 514
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	315	1 535	1 447	5 898	1 328	6 491
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	95	934	508	2 592	424	3 096
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	209	1 028	998	3 496	845	3 805
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	326	2 262	1 357	7 477	1 055	9 055
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	187	832	1 530	1 576	976	2 411
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	696	2 689	2 445	8 798	2 527	10 549
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	13	55	64	170	55	206
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	25	158	82	445	77	517
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	3	82	12	263	10	274
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	74	412	291	1 590	293	1 894
85 Footwear(a)	13	143	46	465	46	545
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	166	432	500	1 420	606	1 658
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	150	282	609	965	533	1 025
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	252	1 125	842	3 480	908	4 429
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	3 679	1 081	14 244	1 750	14 607	4 255
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	239	7	423	25	592	29
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	21	—	54	7	49	5
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	1	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	917	776	4 595	725	4 399	3 095
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	2 501	298	9 171	993	9 566	1 126
Total trade	16 056	17 944	63 714	56 628	62 475	67 664

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(b) Excludes import commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—APEC member economies' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)	476	220	2 203	681	1 608	789
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	54	—	387	—	138	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	50	—	252	1	163	1
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	218	—	709	—	723	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	14	98	61	281	47	324
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	44	16	137	44	162	53
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	58	23	314	80	246	89
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	6	2	184	6	19	6
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	7	54	38	161	25	203
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	13	9	70	38	44	43
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	12	18	51	70	42	70
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	14	2	35	8	41	8
11 Beverages	8	1	29	2	25	3
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	6	1	5	6	17	5
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	315	57	1 022	234	1 055	233
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	6	—	7	—	12	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	—	—	3	—	2	1
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	11	2	70	2	53
24 Cork and wood	5	28	5	103	9	105
25 Pulp and waste paper	5	4	14	7	17	21
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	242	3	762	8	819	10
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	7	1	23	4	28	5
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	46	3	190	18	154	14
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	3	6	16	23	11	24
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	148	740	1 075	2 013	633	2 282
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	26	—	97	1	110	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	122	737	901	1 985	523	2 262
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	3	77	27	—	21
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	15	32	19	111	34	124
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	3	—	6	—	9	—
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	11	29	8	100	21	112
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	3	6	11	5	11
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	126	143	684	470	516	592
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	6	28	32	128	26	140
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	10	4	39	32	40	36
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	24	7	139	19	96	24
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	37	10	208	27	164	36
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	11	10	60	35	46	38
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	4	8	7	56	9	52
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	13	41	81	74	44	141
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	5	16	30	44	23	55
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	17	18	88	56	69	70

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	399	325	2 136	983	1 550	1 162
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	12	2	30	10	28	11
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	5	28	25	71	19	98
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	3	34	20	100	11	117
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	14	74	73	159	53	241
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	17	61	89	255	68	273
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	11	48	94	123	54	163
67 Iron and steel(b)	59	17	522	101	247	72
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	242	17	1 068	31	912	67
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	37	43	215	133	156	120
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	517	1 134	2 024	3 419	1 600	4 125
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	14	5	89	14	57	23
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	272	16	309	39	446	52
73 Metal working machinery	6	3	41	6	19	7
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	75	104	336	247	234	333
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	59	455	242	1 632	214	1 888
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	13	260	203	669	76	803
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	46	212	303	653	191	792
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	15	67	144	147	62	200
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	14	11	357	12	300	26
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	109	366	481	901	377	1 600
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	2	5	23	13	12	17
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	6	71	20	189	16	221
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	6	1	20	1	20
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	5	49	18	167	18	191
85 Footwear(a)	—	25	2	85	2	94
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	22	28	88	75	81	108
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	46	20	188	32	141	50
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	28	163	141	321	106	898
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	639	119	3 250	343	2 668	860
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	17	—	54	—	51	1
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—	—	6	—	—	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	259	62	1 718	125	1 060	643
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	363	57	1 473	218	1 557	216
Total trade	2 758	3 140	12 929	9 163	10 084	11 774

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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Commodity—Developing Countries (DCs)

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)(b)	1 431	386	5 307	1 235	4 811	1 418
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	154	1	705	19	511	2
01 Meat and meat preparations	290	1	891	2	872	2
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	507	2	1 310	5	1 521	6
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	123	127	618	382	573	434
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	90	27	271	75	312	94
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	149	83	744	264	635	295
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	18	7	401	21	58	23
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	26	86	92	283	74	352
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	31	15	125	59	109	72
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	42	37	151	125	146	137
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	34	30	134	96	123	99
11 Beverages	23	8	102	31	86	27
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	11	22	32	64	37	72
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	1 671	143	5 922	520	6 134	535
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	26	—	195	—	195	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	104	6	82	16	200	15
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	13	4	75	3	59
24 Cork and wood	26	33	65	115	44	120
25 Pulp and waste paper	7	13	17	10	22	35
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	639	7	2 973	35	2 608	33
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	12	27	41	77	47	96
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	834	27	2 461	127	2 931	110
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	23	17	85	65	84	67
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	1 269	942	5 523	3 712	5 336	3 322
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	858	2	3 361	4	3 801	4
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	367	916	1 947	3 623	1 419	3 255
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	45	23	215	84	116	63
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	74	42	210	155	290	159
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	55	—	167	5	211	2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	13	38	24	137	54	142
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	6	4	19	12	24	14
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	369	408	1 539	1 386	1 453	1 620
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	10	93	63	340	46	354
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	34	40	114	162	134	181
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	78	18	304	67	298	73
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	122	28	455	81	489	103
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	26	24	121	88	104	102
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	5	29	10	173	14	198
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	37	73	228	167	152	254
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	18	62	75	187	73	209
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	39	40	170	121	144	147

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	1 130	1 180	5 212	3 969	4 753	4 483
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	30	14	158	61	107	60
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	10	79	55	268	41	331
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	13	47	59	151	45	169
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	31	129	178	355	163	449
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	72	361	323	1 373	283	1 458
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	43	170	235	464	178	572
67 Iron and steel(b)	169	83	1 150	403	825	402
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	687	48	2 675	136	2 812	187
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	75	250	379	759	300	854
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	1 232	2 703	4 529	8 522	4 103	9 914
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	108	31	557	130	349	133
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	334	58	588	196	723	222
73 Metal working machinery(b)	15	18	80	79	61	82
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	133	328	580	687	446	917
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	121	832	533	2 917	486	3 417
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	67	543	377	1 395	291	1 793
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	108	552	586	1 647	451	1 916
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	255	323	607	1 223	805	1 299
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	90	16	622	247	490	133
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	309	1 588	1 203	4 916	1 144	6 308
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	8	44	46	120	40	140
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	11	130	41	354	38	413
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	1	86	4	274	3	285
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	36	458	110	1 686	126	2 049
85 Footwear(a)	2	147	7	479	6	569
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	56	62	201	172	196	222
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	110	100	475	259	415	297
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	86	561	320	1 573	320	2 332
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	2 731	527	11 862	952	10 719	2 568
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	71	1	186	1	237	2
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	4	—	28	2	46	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	907	373	4 410	355	3 626	1 991
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	1 748	153	7 237	594	6 810	575
Total trade	10 250	7 950	41 441	25 464	38 866	30 425

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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Commodity—European Union (EU)

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(a)(b)	139	260	447	598	584	839
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	3	2	11	10	16
01 Meat and meat preparations	63	2	203	5	239	5
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	25	22	67	60	88	70
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	14	8	16	31	43	32
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	5	17	13	60	42	61
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	23	32	100	88	131	107
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	4	14	23	36	14	43
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	1	40	4	145	3	139
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	2	1	15	8	7	5
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	1	121	4	154	6	361
1 Beverages and tobacco(a)	143	100	399	299	567	324
11 Beverages	141	89	391	266	550	285
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	2	11	8	33	16	40
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)	598	52	2 675	145	2 588	193
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	21	—	124	—	102	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	3	—	9	1	58	2
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	4	—	18	—	20
24 Cork and wood	4	6	11	16	11	18
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	3	—	5
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	303	6	1 520	30	1 214	27
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	11	6	49	14	52	20
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	242	7	921	9	1 095	35
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	14	22	40	55	56	65
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)	402	5	1 126	16	1 484	21
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	401	1	1 093	2	1 472	3
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	—	4	1	14	11	18
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	31	—	—	1
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)	2	27	6	95	8	83
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	1	1	2	1	4	2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	—	25	1	89	1	77
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	1	2	5	2	4
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	100	1 096	345	3 592	435	4 243
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	8	234	14	823	20	926
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	5	26	85	110	32	110
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	14	42	22	165	95	179
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	58	464	165	1 454	221	1 815
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	3	92	21	253	18	325
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	14	—	64	1	69
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	1	55	1	216	4	214
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	4	74	16	210	17	254
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	6	93	21	299	25	350

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	DEC QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED DEC QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)	219	890	779	3 145	1 115	3 616
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	64	6	259	25	275	25
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	7	75	25	266	29	310
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	4	31	5	107	12	136
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	1	195	3	671	11	777
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	16	108	72	382	68	430
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	11	151	48	518	57	616
67 Iron and steel(b)	52	88	41	370	278	415
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	53	52	276	207	338	214
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	10	185	50	599	47	693
7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)	302	2 646	1 037	9 413	1 400	10 368
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	13	194	104	648	74	688
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	28	440	104	1 505	107	1 777
73 Metal working machinery(b)	12	41	32	192	31	166
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	41	505	150	1 785	150	2 044
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	40	134	148	553	165	532
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	21	250	70	1 047	81	882
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	73	378	116	1 243	237	1 516
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	38	639	79	2 007	98	2 511
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	37	66	235	433	456	251
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(a)(b)	129	814	330	2 618	404	3 025
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	3	23	6	72	7	85
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	2	54	6	144	8	206
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	14	1	64	1	58
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	6	42	53	157	21	171
85 Footwear(a)	1	27	4	131	4	167
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	48	189	127	635	167	716
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	12	62	25	230	40	240
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	56	404	109	1 184	156	1 381
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)	1 213	91	1 535	369	3 717	375
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	6	4	11	12	22	11
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	13	—	49	1	37	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	1	—	—	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	749	—	19	—	2 001	18
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	443	87	1 456	355	1 655	345
Total trade	3 246	5 980	8 678	20 291	12 300	23 087

(a) Excludes export commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—EU member states' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Excludes import commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' or a 'No Country Details' or a 'Selected Country Details—EU member states' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(c) Includes export and import commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

EXPORTS, By State(a)

State	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998	December quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Australian produce	22 013	19 282	21 537	21 650	21 730
New South Wales	5 295	4 401	4 795	4 842	4 693
Victoria	4 470	3 827	3 823	4 350	4 179
Queensland	4 176	3 468	4 425	4 503	4 168
South Australia	1 298	1 207	1 264	1 317	1 325
Western Australia	5 922	5 549	6 123	5 834	6 298
Tasmania	499	464	748	429	479
Northern Territory	302	295	247	259	401
Australian Capital Territory	2	8	2	4	5
State not available for publication(b)	49	62	111	111	183
Re-exports	1 072	1 006	1 341	1 173	1 263
Total trade	23 085	20 287	22 878	22 822	22 994

(a) State in which the final stage of production or manufacture occurs.

(b) Includes \$10 million of exports for November 1998 and \$55 million for December 1998 which cannot yet be allocated by state. These shipments will be appropriately classified as more details become available.

IMPORTS, By State(a)

	<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>March quarter 1998</i>	<i>June quarter 1998</i>	<i>September quarter 1998</i>	<i>December quarter 1998</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
New South Wales	9 909	9 188	9 935	10 795	10 896
Victoria	7 292	7 181	7 415	8 281	7 997
Queensland	2 444	2 434	2 495	2 795	2 874
South Australia	935	1 004	975	930	930
Western Australia	2 192	2 179	2 457	2 524	2 475
Tasmania	93	102	97	121	110
Northern Territory	175	164	192	150	150
Australian Capital Territory	2	2	3	1	1
Total trade	23 042	22 252	23 569	25 597	25 432

(a) State in which the goods were released from
Customs control. See paragraph 27 of the
Explanatory Notes for further details.

EXPORTS, By Industry of Origin (ANZSIC)

Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) Division/Subdivision	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998	December quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	2 772	2 339	2 590	2 518	2 495
01 Agriculture	2 315	2 070	1 876	1 809	1 897
02 Services to agriculture; hunting and trapping	280	92	581	563	414
03 Forestry and logging	16	7	6	9	18
04 Commercial fishing	160	169	126	137	166
B Mining	5 345	5 221	5 785	5 480	5 443
11 Coal mining	2 399	2 342	2 512	2 559	2 425
12 Oil and gas extraction	1 110	876	876	969	884
13 Metal ore mining	1 785	1 954	2 333	1 898	2 082
14 Other mining	50	49	64	54	51
C Manufacturing	14 444	11 983	13 610	13 700	13 856
21 Food, beverage and tobacco	3 565	2 576	2 819	2 941	3 097
22 Textile, clothing, footwear and leather	814	710	664	690	652
23 Wood and paper products	308	286	317	271	313
24 Printing, publishing and recorded media	122	117	116	123	140
25 Petroleum, coal, chemical and associated products	1 492	1 342	1 385	1 416	1 344
26 Non-metallic mineral products	100	81	82	81	80
27 Metal products	4 364	4 101	4 621	4 982	4 660
28 Machinery and equipment	3 468	2 593	3 443	3 002	3 383
29 Other manufacturing	211	177	162	192	187
Other industries(a)(b)	525	744	893	1 124	1 199
Total trade	23 085	20 287	22 878	22 822	22 994

(a) Includes \$10 million of exports for November 1998 and \$55 million for December 1998 which cannot yet be allocated by industry of origin.

(b) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes for details.

IMPORTS, By Industry of Origin (ANZSIC)

Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) Division/Subdivision	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998	December quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	216	230	205	192	199
01 Agriculture	189	203	179	172	171
02 Services to agriculture; hunting and trapping	2	1	3	3	2
03 Forestry and logging	1	1	2	1	2
04 Commercial fishing	24	25	20	16	24
B Mining	1 031	949	760	968	1 049
11 Coal mining	4	5	5	6	5
12 Oil and gas extraction	941	875	684	869	962
13 Metal ore mining	46	29	35	32	32
14 Other mining	41	40	37	61	50
C Manufacturing	21 711	20 969	22 515	24 318	24 090
21 Food, beverage and tobacco	1 037	913	928	1 033	1 188
22 Textile, clothing, footwear and leather	1 477	1 598	1 364	1 835	1 525
23 Wood and paper products	725	712	714	799	742
24 Printing, publishing and recorded media	514	419	491	580	615
25 Petroleum, coal, chemical and associated products	3 424	3 511	3 606	3 668	3 812
26 Non-metallic mineral products	295	283	303	335	340
27 Metal products	1 665	2 009	2 161	2 301	2 208
28 Machinery and equipment	11 870	10 968	12 140	12 842	12 909
29 Other manufacturing	704	556	809	924	751
Other industries(a)	83	104	89	119	95
Total trade	23 042	22 252	23 569	25 597	25 432

(a) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes for details.

EXPORTS, By Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

Broad Economic Categories	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998	December quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Food and beverages	4 724	3 873	3 962	4 067	4 235
<i>Primary</i>	1 793	1 788	1 707	1 699	1 682
Mainly for industry	1 360	1 417	1 261	1 223	1 287
Mainly for household consumption	433	371	446	476	395
<i>Processed</i>	2 931	2 084	2 255	2 368	2 554
Mainly for industry	760	254	251	253	290
Mainly for household consumption	2 171	1 830	2 004	2 115	2 263
Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified	9 738	8 834	10 255	10 081	9 894
Primary	3 822	3 039	3 742	3 589	3 778
Processed	5 916	5 794	6 513	6 492	6 116
Fuels and lubricants	4 036	3 674	3 794	3 928	3 654
Primary	2 936	2 720	2 964	3 066	2 839
<i>Processed</i>	1 100	954	829	862	815
Motor spirit	94	74	74	74	47
Other	1 006	880	755	788	768
Capital goods (except transport equipment), and parts and accessories thereof	2 103	1 620	1 955	1 803	2 035
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	1 041	779	1 067	929	1 113
Parts and accessories	1 061	842	888	874	922
Transport equipment and parts and accessories thereof	1 097	786	1 237	977	1 065
Passenger motor cars	350	216	209	349	389
<i>Other</i>	223	139	562	142	171
Industrial	200	123	505	119	143
Non-industrial	22	16	57	23	28
Parts and accessories	524	432	466	487	505
Consumer goods not elsewhere specified	835	719	785	866	911
Durable	160	128	144	155	189
Semi-durable	239	202	220	240	251
Non-durable	436	388	420	470	470
Goods not elsewhere specified(a)(b)	552	781	891	1 100	1 199
Total trade	23 085	20 287	22 878	22 822	22 994

(a) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Includes \$10 million of exports for November 1998 and \$55 million for December 1998 which cannot yet be allocated by commodity.

IMPORTS, By Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

Broad Economic Categories	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998	December quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Food and beverages	1 091	971	967	1 060	1 219
<i>Primary</i>	270	247	239	244	266
Mainly for industry	85	94	82	82	73
Mainly for household consumption	184	152	157	161	193
<i>Processed</i>	821	725	728	817	953
Mainly for industry	94	93	92	104	111
Mainly for household consumption	728	632	636	713	842
Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified	5 705	6 150	6 256	6 575	6 535
Primary	237	226	241	252	225
Processed	5 468	5 924	6 014	6 323	6 310
Fuels and lubricants	1 160	1 090	872	1 034	1 145
Primary	923	869	672	857	942
<i>Processed</i>	236	221	199	177	203
Motor spirit	6	37	29	2	21
Other	231	183	171	175	182
Capital goods (except transport equipment), and parts and accessories thereof	7 049	6 480	7 185	7 489	7 303
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	4 677	4 254	4 814	5 016	4 936
Parts and accessories	2 371	2 226	2 372	2 473	2 368
Transport equipment and parts and accessories thereof	3 848	3 779	4 191	4 415	4 483
Passenger motor cars	1 540	1 657	1 722	1 601	1 562
<i>Other</i>	1 026	815	1 028	1 221	1 272
Industrial	837	661	887	1 038	1 046
Non-industrial	189	154	141	183	226
Parts and accessories	1 282	1 306	1 441	1 592	1 649
Consumer goods not elsewhere specified	4 110	3 675	3 993	4 889	4 636
Durable	1 179	934	1 244	1 323	1 399
Semi-durable	1 609	1 515	1 391	1 930	1 740
Non-durable	1 322	1 226	1 358	1 637	1 496
Goods not elsewhere specified(a)	80	108	105	134	111
Total trade	23 042	22 252	23 569	25 597	25 432

(a) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes.

HISTORICAL EXPORTS, By Commodity(a)(b)(c)

	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(d)	8 018	8 033	8 523	9 884	9 252	9 716
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	319	302	297	193	160	209
01 Meat and meat preparations	2 249	2 522	2 275	2 942	3 180	3 436
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	467	515	596	709	721	815
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	600	703	611	674	720	832
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(d)	2 793	2 308	2 828	3 301	2 438	2 353
05 Vegetables and fruit	551	591	537	536	628	728
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	716	715	935	1 103	948	747
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	65	62	68	68	88	97
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)	210	240	278	257	257	356
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	48	76	98	100	113	145
1 Beverages and tobacco	151	258	247	242	310	366
11 Beverages	133	234	226	225	289	346
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	19	24	21	17	21	21
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(d)	9 897	12 227	14 135	13 537	13 398	13 617
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	542	680	495	575	413	362
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	40	32	70	50	48	63
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	6	7	16	8	9	9
24 Cork and wood	361	404	430	396	437	444
25 Pulp and waste paper	28	32	36	25	28	7
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	3 870	5 507	6 274	4 739	3 745	4 614
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)	103	177	232	222	263	297
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(d)	4 850	5 274	6 456	7 375	8 296	7 639
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	97	114	126	148	159	181
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	7 309	6 882	6 434	8 419	10 706	10 878
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	5 456	4 706	4 805	5 933	6 481	6 948
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	1 622	1 919	1 468	1 996	3 220	2 912
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	231	257	161	489	1 006	1 017
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(d)	124	141	124	118	138	136
41 Animal oils and fats	90	119	103	106	118	115
42 Fixed vegetable fats & oils, crude, refined or fractionated(d)	23	13	11	2	4	3
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	11	9	10	11	16	18
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(d)	665	903	1 076	1 261	1 377	1 662
51 Organic chemicals	51	101	93	89	113	89
52 Inorganic chemicals(d)	66	71	91	164	201	229
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	35	85	148	262	186	241
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(d)	166	206	235	270	321	456
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	57	78	94	89	124	132
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)	5	7	8	10	19	14
57 Plastics in primary forms	5	79	151	134	161	189
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	137	102	60	66	77	86
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	142	174	196	177	175	226

	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals(d)	11 679	12 967	12 565	15 272	16 311	16 045
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	247	323	452	660	706	631
01 Meat and meat preparations	3 744	4 044	3 661	3 296	2 958	3 731
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	1 102	1 287	1 413	1 673	1 759	1 907
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	952	1 115	1 144	1 114	1 087	1 177
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(d)	2 953	3 206	2 522	4 929	5 954	5 098
05 Vegetables and fruit(d)	872	932	873	1 008	1 147	1 133
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(d)	1 074	1 316	1 729	1 710	1 695	1 341
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	125	166	174	193	191	183
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(d)	467	385	387	458	531	540
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	144	194	209	231	283	304
1 Beverages and tobacco	417	506	551	648	782	1 059
11 Beverages	385	474	508	605	715	994
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	32	32	44	43	67	65
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(d)	13 112	12 917	14 073	14 752	15 615	17 878
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	388	392	487	504	505	572
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	80	121	110	206	200	375
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	11	10	12	11	10	8
24 Cork and wood	465	519	627	624	618	720
25 Pulp and waste paper	12	16	44	27	13	19
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	4 017	3 977	4 595	4 065	4 619	5 105
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(d)	369	358	367	426	378	417
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(d)	7 572	7 315	7 604	8 666	9 051	10 422
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	197	208	226	223	220	241
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	12 102	11 116	11 242	12 591	13 705	15 400
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	7 623	7 255	6 938	7 840	8 005	9 587
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	3 244	2 676	2 949	3 188	3 805	3 846
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	1 236	1 185	1 355	1 562	1 895	1 968
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(d)	192	207	263	238	232	333
41 Animal oils and fats(d)	156	170	220	197	184	230
42 Fixed vegetable fats & oils, crude, refined or fractionated(d)	4	7	4	11	10	55
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	31	31	38	29	38	48
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(d)	1 996	2 351	2 679	3 015	3 045	3 298
51 Organic chemicals(d)	88	81	84	87	116	137
52 Inorganic chemicals(d)	197	257	309	365	317	327
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	328	363	402	435	407	497
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(d)	564	701	771	894	979	1 144
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	172	208	258	300	296	291
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(d)	12	19	24	26	24	19
57 Plastics in primary forms(d)	210	201	283	326	297	277
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	100	113	143	159	154	161
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	324	408	405	423	455	443

HISTORICAL EXPORTS, By Commodity(a)(b)(c) *continued*

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(d)	3 841	4 897	5 845	6 073	6 404	6 690
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.	118	161	148	167	180	221
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	43	68	64	65	65	79
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(d)	9	15	11	23	37	63
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(d)	104	102	124	162	188	212
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	246	222	153	179	210	236
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(d)	175	259	356	460	507	616
67 Iron and steel	591	526	492	767	981	1 144
68 Non-ferrous metals(d)	2 312	3 260	4 176	3 882	3 758	3 558
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	244	284	321	369	477	561
7 Machinery and transport equipment(d)	2 612	2 706	2 780	3 684	4 630	5 033
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	296	337	326	428	543	610
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	306	305	340	423	517	535
73 Metal working machinery	26	40	37	69	82	84
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.	237	287	341	384	475	536
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	390	429	417	564	720	832
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	88	121	167	238	320	307
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)	255	290	293	363	470	595
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	438	517	420	595	847	770
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	577	381	440	619	657	765
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	854	1 031	1 050	1 381	1 319	1 619
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	16	21	28	30	43	72
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	34	41	36	44	34	42
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	4	4	5	6	5	5
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	39	60	62	114	130	154
85 Footwear	9	11	16	24	24	30
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	177	212	199	255	276	329
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	250	276	260	231	255	287
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	326	407	444	676	553	701
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(e)	2 337	3 643	3 794	4 479	4 865	5 309
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	284	223	147	185	174	211
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	10	48	234	283	230	300
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	2	2	1	2	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	1 348	2 431	2 491	2 872	3 672	4 023
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s(e)	694	938	921	1 138	787	775
Total trade	35 806	40 721	44 007	49 078	52 399	55 027

	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(d)	7 341	7 911	9 022	9 844	9 257	10 548
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.	284	368	515	463	470	517
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	108	120	146	157	150	168
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(d)	66	92	98	104	103	113
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(d)	259	258	267	296	394	430
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	307	385	465	553	583	614
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(d)	558	666	739	746	716	791
67 Iron and steel	1 211	1 496	1 580	1 757	1 623	1 858
68 Non-ferrous metals(d)	3 996	3 900	4 518	5 043	4 434	5 326
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	551	625	694	725	785	731
7 Machinery and transport equipment	6 415	7 502	8 138	9 720	10 683	11 111
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	615	586	732	826	914	986
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	695	822	924	1 078	1 160	1 161
73 Metal working machinery	105	92	140	163	207	210
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(d)	719	891	943	1 143	1 194	1 087
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	995	1 370	1 589	1 903	1 627	1 725
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	502	674	541	719	648	1 091
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)	763	968	1 222	1 394	1 297	1 296
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	989	1 074	1 081	1 199	1 826	1 729
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	1 031	1 024	965	1 295	1 811	1 826
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1 887	2 106	2 314	2 718	2 827	3 186
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	63	45	52	76	85	89
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	64	71	77	97	97	100
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	7	9	15	14	15	13
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	199	247	304	320	356	372
85 Footwear	41	61	58	66	65	55
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	395	416	442	543	613	798
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	397	460	511	562	580	654
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	722	798	857	1 039	1 017	1 105
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(e)	5 562	6 965	6 205	7 208	6 476	8 915
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	219	348	413	459	517	577
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	267	253	206	145	116	137
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	1	1	1	—	1	2
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	4 315	5 269	4 699	5 545	4 717	6 263
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(e)	759	1 095	886	1 058	1 125	1 937
Total trade	60 702	64 548	67 052	76 005	78 932	87 774

(a) See paragraph 25 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) From 1987-88 includes gold coins, whether or not they are legal tender, and other coins which are legal tender.

(c) See paragraph 10 of the Explanatory Notes.

(d) Excludes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes for details.

(e) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes for details.

HISTORICAL IMPORTS, By Commodity(a)(b)(c)

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals	1 612	1 669	1 833	1 898	1 916	2 058
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	113	148	156	139	73	60
01 Meat and meat preparations	16	19	30	22	36	43
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	81	88	91	106	124	135
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	423	409	437	425	447	474
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	73	72	72	94	105	112
05 Vegetables and fruit	271	285	375	415	383	469
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	28	34	44	51	61	59
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	405	379	353	331	309	309
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)	55	48	73	69	65	90
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	147	187	202	246	313	306
1 Beverages and tobacco	327	345	366	396	395	392
11 Beverages	211	234	273	304	293	281
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	116	111	92	92	103	111
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1 083	1 323	1 607	1 539	1 220	1 280
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	4	10	12	12	10	6
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	10	19	50	27	58	61
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	88	100	114	93	77	82
24 Cork and wood	298	382	561	518	436	459
25 Pulp and waste paper	171	225	224	243	147	142
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	150	166	179	149	132	141
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)	224	248	281	230	118	139
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	39	69	78	146	132	129
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	100	104	107	120	110	123
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	1 749	2 039	2 014	2 540	3 129	2 731
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	3	5	11	18	5	9
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	1 742	2 029	1 999	2 505	3 116	2 712
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	4	5	4	16	8	10
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(d)	91	108	117	124	129	150
41 Animal oils and fats	2	1	3	2	2	2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(d)	64	90	102	110	115	134
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.(d)	25	17	13	12	13	13
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(d)	3 472	4 290	4 985	5 235	5 118	5 575
51 Organic chemicals(d)	881	1 106	1 160	1 071	1 004	1 095
52 Inorganic chemicals(d)	322	515	682	767	661	720
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(d)	189	196	217	233	233	270
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	508	647	694	820	942	1 053
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	241	269	292	331	338	383
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)	140	138	214	252	276	312
57 Plastics in primary forms(d)	14	266	717	650	595	602
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(d)	784	678	444	484	439	483
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(d)	394	474	564	627	629	659

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
0 Food and live animals	2 228	2 478	2 821	2 894	2 985	3 460
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	60	77	101	94	103	125
01 Meat and meat preparations	33	46	47	46	67	63
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	159	161	173	193	195	219
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	500	542	609	601	604	691
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	136	143	207	166	178	219
05 Vegetables and fruit	470	515	534	590	588	623
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	77	67	86	86	85	95
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	337	383	505	504	502	651
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)	67	102	109	94	122	150
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	389	441	451	520	542	626
1 Beverages and tobacco	438	467	522	503	502	575
11 Beverages	319	332	336	339	351	428
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	119	135	186	165	152	146
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(d)	1 506	1 595	1 794	1 576	1 487	1 605
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	5	3	4	2	2	2
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	68	81	133	98	95	81
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	104	117	153	155	136	123
24 Cork and wood	571	659	613	421	430	479
25 Pulp and waste paper	157	126	160	191	136	138
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	144	162	188	175	151	145
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(d)	147	141	171	150	139	175
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	165	141	179	178	174	205
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	146	165	193	206	223	256
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(d)	3 857	3 441	3 668	4 312	5 164	4 437
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	7	27	22	18	11	24
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(d)	3 829	3 392	3 608	4 234	5 055	4 338
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	21	23	38	59	97	75
4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(d)	190	203	232	268	266	258
41 Animal oils and fats	2	3	3	5	8	7
42 Fixed vegetable fats & oils, crude, refined or fractionated(d)	171	181	208	241	235	229
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	17	18	20	23	23	22
5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(d)	6 625	7 045	8 009	8 901	9 028	10 276
51 Organic chemicals(d)	1 402	1 615	1 795	1 919	2 040	2 135
52 Inorganic chemicals(d)	655	488	639	832	700	678
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	320	340	372	385	408	453
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	1 393	1 427	1 562	1 830	1 998	2 544
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	463	527	568	609	636	750
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)	351	394	535	669	703	768
57 Plastics in primary forms(d)	706	741	923	925	855	1 005
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(d)	562	635	719	757	721	808
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	773	878	896	975	968	1 134

HISTORICAL IMPORTS, By Commodity(a)(b)(c) *continued*

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-1991	1991-92
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(d)	6 185	7 104	7 954	8 219	7 396	7 884
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.	152	159	151	137	121	127
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(d)	462	571	682	750	661	748
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	169	203	233	227	214	238
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(d)	1 013	1 191	1 296	1 297	1 155	1 334
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(d)	1 831	1 924	1 999	1 955	1 818	2 021
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(d)	713	849	965	1 069	958	928
67 Iron and steel	634	830	1 078	1 039	883	825
68 Non-ferrous metals	203	246	357	396	385	380
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(d)	1 009	1 130	1 192	1 349	1 201	1 283
7 Machinery and transport equipment(d)	15 389	16 381	20 623	23 452	21 687	21 995
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	1 217	1 210	1 126	1 384	1 259	1 292
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(d)	1 735	1 988	2 359	2 756	2 148	1 903
73 Metal working machinery	481	384	376	392	317	320
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(d)	1 984	2 307	2 518	2 977	2 716	2 718
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	2 558	2 646	3 327	3 557	3 375	3 637
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	1 497	1 508	1 717	1 805	1 737	1 981
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)	1 886	2 137	2 358	2 718	2 521	2 836
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	2 719	3 139	4 807	5 062	4 459	4 808
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	1 312	1 061	2 035	2 801	3 156	2 499
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(d)	5 185	5 590	6 429	6 880	6 955	7 768
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	75	100	125	145	139	155
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	235	252	285	338	291	320
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	180	187	190	210	215	241
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	657	717	759	908	956	1 100
85 Footwear	251	279	338	339	384	411
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	907	964	1 065	1 144	1 199	1 282
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(d)	720	718	782	783	778	839
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(d)	2 160	2 374	2 883	3 015	2 994	3 419
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(e)	1 894	1 748	1 112	1 050	966	1 150
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	1 585	1 396	752	599	214	28
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	15	31	20	35	20	9
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	8	2	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	140	80	151	285	623	1 040
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(e)	153	241	188	123	108	74
Total trade	36 988	40 597	47 040	51 333	48 912	50 984

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(d)	8 779	9 445	10 908	11 039	10 724	12 531
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.	134	146	167	164	162	145
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(d)	812	954	1 045	1 125	1 115	1 252
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	259	288	329	317	333	408
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(d)	1 419	1 518	1 859	1 942	1 769	1 990
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	2 144	2 246	2 454	2 359	2 284	2 521
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(d)	1 033	1 080	1 213	1 188	1 244	1 462
67 Iron and steel	945	1 041	1 287	1 410	1 295	1 621
68 Non-ferrous metals(d)	465	498	679	645	619	802
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(d)	1 569	1 674	1 876	1 890	1 902	2 330
7 Machinery and transport equipment(d)	25 911	28 911	35 160	36 458	36 782	41 908
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	1 605	1 690	1 769	1 998	1 895	2 040
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	2 646	3 061	3 792	3 924	4 043	4 244
73 Metal working machinery	288	378	573	492	608	581
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(d)	3 110	3 638	4 299	4 470	4 649	5 439
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	4 239	4 828	5 728	6 033	5 984	6 961
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	2 347	2 538	3 362	3 759	3 669	3 980
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(d)	3 362	4 051	4 909	5 316	4 912	5 426
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	6 161	7 108	8 678	7 980	8 579	11 300
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	2 154	1 620	2 050	2 487	2 443	1 936
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(d)	8 918	9 798	10 708	11 035	11 349	13 458
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(d)	177	191	218	221	234	287
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	350	396	444	464	532	678
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	270	286	338	362	339	357
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1 330	1 480	1 637	1 766	1 841	2 278
85 Footwear	512	512	570	574	623	708
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	1 569	1 707	1 834	1 911	1 944	2 295
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(d)	977	1 066	1 206	1 258	1 252	1 378
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	3 733	4 160	4 462	4 479	4 585	5 478
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(e)	1 122	1 086	797	804	712	2 177
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	30	31	25	28	32	42
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	2	1	2	5	9	9
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	1 021	981	710	708	590	2 006
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s(e)	69	72	59	62	80	120
Total trade	59 575	64 470	74 619	77 792	78 998	90 684

(a) See paragraph 25 of the Explanatory Notes.

(c) From 1987-88 includes gold coins, whether or not they are legal tender, and other coins which are legal tender.

(e) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes for details.

(b) Due to changes in Customs valuation, data from 1989-90 are not fully comparable with data for previous periods.

(d) Excludes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. These are included in Division 98. See paragraph 30 of the Explanatory Notes for details.

HISTORICAL EXPORTS, By Country(a)(b)

	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Country or country group	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Association of South East												
Asian Nations (ASEAN)	2 410	3 085	3 875	5 110	6 388	7 337	8 780	9 038	10 439	11 717	12 257	11 504
Brunei	13	14	11	14	15	19	53	61	55	77	59	52
Indonesia	528	593	762	1 030	1 462	1 627	1 715	1 906	2 113	2 716	3 305	2 751
Laos	—	—	1	2	1	5	28	25	35	15	8	2
Malaysia	592	665	743	925	985	1 103	1 311	1 759	2 033	2 289	2 332	2 097
Myanmar	10	24	—	9	29	15	7	4	11	13	15	26
Philippines	259	266	422	470	437	513	598	699	839	1 075	1 226	1 163
Singapore	779	1 190	1 446	1 985	2 769	3 189	3 787	3 197	3 643	3 556	3 410	3 697
Thailand	224	324	468	591	665	816	1 205	1 278	1 560	1 779	1 693	1 390
Viet Nam	5	9	22	84	25	50	76	111	150	198	211	325
European Union (EU)	5 837	6 455	6 385	7 083	6 608	7 148	7 341	7 605	7 498	8 464	8 171	10 236
Austria	12	18	11	22	26	24	27	28	32	36	21	32
Belgium-Luxembourg	298	374	386	482	448	594	618	458	466	668	923	1 154
Denmark	162	89	67	79	89	95	67	63	100	117	100	205
Finland	50	80	100	84	80	114	116	117	247	335	303	295
France	908	973	981	870	774	939	850	792	794	727	799	856
Germany	1 122	1 053	1 132	1 249	1 056	1 092	991	1 006	1 083	1 152	1 058	1 243
Greece	35	71	63	48	30	46	41	25	20	34	39	61
Ireland	6	8	7	16	16	19	22	28	42	50	53	66
Italy	823	1 053	1 012	1 038	923	979	872	1 052	1 250	1 282	1 354	1 752
Netherlands	598	601	681	1 042	1 016	856	876	703	707	695	584	830
Portugal	35	44	52	48	32	28	41	26	50	48	32	31
Spain	293	266	207	221	196	286	289	268	277	292	328	514
Sweden	121	124	137	148	127	145	136	139	155	200	220	157
United Kingdom	1 375	1 701	1 548	1 736	1 796	1 930	2 394	2 901	2 275	2 829	2 357	3 040
Other countries												
Brazil	139	100	115	128	138	225	289	319	307	389	333	408
Canada	650	706	710	760	802	845	1 158	1 149	1 150	1 267	1 178	1 276
China	1 592	1 230	1 257	1 171	1 348	1 458	2 268	2 590	2 964	3 781	3 584	3 872
Fiji	174	124	153	203	240	246	327	325	378	479	524	526
Hong Kong	1 087	1 961	1 856	1 342	1 560	2 106	2 597	2 797	2 632	3 052	3 105	4 138
India	425	500	551	588	667	754	889	865	979	1 185	1 493	1 852
Iran	344	363	334	546	477	261	371	535	237	541	925	274
Japan	9 083	10 667	11 978	12 781	14 378	14 574	15 206	15 924	16 282	16 429	15 377	17 588
Korea, Republic of	1 504	1 787	2 211	2 700	3 237	3 365	3 970	4 706	5 250	6 615	7 134	6 397
New Zealand	1 777	2 210	2 258	2 616	2 545	2 830	3 365	4 009	4 791	5 609	6 214	5 662
Papua New Guinea	651	761	789	815	779	883	855	954	933	1 048	1 272	1 152
Saudi Arabia	298	260	253	287	218	266	329	344	277	452	448	487
South Africa	154	149	156	112	178	226	334	350	566	776	1 014	1 093
Switzerland	365	339	359	712	1 256	655	302	270	286	519	237	1 097
Taiwan	1 229	1 355	1 593	1 821	1 962	2 519	2 680	2 757	3 102	3 452	3 620	4 179
Turkey	117	182	79	88	169	171	264	206	228	366	384	636
United Arab Emirates	222	224	266	274	278	329	408	417	338	542	665	1 064
United States of America	4 190	4 608	4 498	5 426	5 778	5 220	4 940	5 075	4 643	4 619	5 526	7 794
Other countries	3 150	3 187	3 899	4 015	2 707	2 977	3 159	3 495	3 198	3 954	4 857	5 747
Country Unknown	—	1	1	7	6	5	1	3	—	1	1	—
International Waters	—	—	—	—	—	58	188	249	—	93	—	208
Ship and Aircraft Stores	408	467	429	486	679	568	617	566	574	656	612	581
Unidentified	—	—	2	6	—	—	62	—	—	—	—	—
Total trade	35 806	40 721	44 007	49 078	52 399	55 027	60 702	64 548	67 052	76 005	78 932	87 774

(a) From 1987-88 includes gold coins, whether or not they are legal tender, and other coins which are legal tender.

(b) See paragraph 10 of the Explanatory Notes.

HISTORICAL IMPORTS, By Country(a)(b)

	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Country or country group	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Association of South East												
Asian Nations (ASEAN)	1 926	2 585	2 837	2 983	3 484	4 119	5 018	5 303	6 418	7 372	8 300	10 495
Brunei	32	28	32	24	41	82	50	17	22	—	—	5
Indonesia	311	588	419	441	784	995	1 305	1 105	1 198	1 522	1 864	2 868
Laos	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malaysia	410	591	687	658	732	867	974	1 103	1 421	1 636	1 891	2 404
Myanmar	2	1	1	1	5	4	11	11	8	7	9	13
Philippines	113	127	165	150	129	143	177	188	259	260	282	418
Singapore	756	899	1 090	1 213	1 271	1 301	1 509	1 792	2 246	2 613	2 620	2 643
Thailand	284	331	420	479	505	647	756	794	970	1 005	1 201	1 480
Viet Nam	17	20	21	17	18	79	237	291	295	329	433	664
European Union (EU)	9 877	10 987	12 156	12 732	11 951	11 685	13 258	14 582	18 218	19 388	19 666	21 824
Austria	141	157	178	189	203	210	226	223	279	313	423	458
Belgium-Luxembourg	312	320	403	433	380	387	512	541	686	755	760	739
Denmark	177	190	202	251	207	230	274	300	340	336	383	399
Finland	263	293	352	311	303	322	415	463	635	684	606	686
France	829	892	1 267	1 166	1 233	1 336	1 481	1 542	1 754	1 867	1 980	2 029
Germany	2 795	2 932	2 970	3 443	3 115	3 007	3 383	3 759	4 861	4 862	4 558	5 207
Greece	45	50	77	68	45	49	51	52	63	78	95	91
Ireland	184	202	171	186	199	193	255	296	432	448	498	830
Italy	1 110	1 330	1 374	1 635	1 390	1 229	1 349	1 617	2 026	2 231	2 304	2 614
Netherlands	487	596	601	520	550	588	624	664	712	702	817	847
Portugal	32	47	58	61	52	59	63	66	81	94	106	121
Spain	141	190	208	219	204	179	218	288	484	519	458	652
Sweden	655	777	841	896	767	793	1 013	1 072	1 426	1 617	1 497	1 557
United Kingdom	2 706	3 012	3 454	3 356	3 302	3 102	3 395	3 698	4 439	4 882	5 182	5 593
Other countries												
Brazil	220	299	430	352	316	316	329	348	452	447	351	363
Canada	750	863	1 067	1 228	902	849	984	1 055	1 278	1 557	1 265	1 436
China	589	851	1 026	1 241	1 503	1 976	2 557	3 120	3 649	4 010	4 203	5 303
Fiji	28	44	99	93	90	101	130	163	185	235	264	307
Hong Kong	800	845	888	847	741	792	796	801	923	970	900	1 031
India	203	228	247	278	260	288	362	427	532	549	577	687
Iran	4	17	10	11	10	14	14	16	21	22	26	25
Japan	7 710	7 817	9 757	9 872	8 849	9 290	11 139	11 700	12 777	10 816	10 241	12 660
Korea, Republic of	891	1 020	1 262	1 254	1 254	1 213	1 696	1 882	2 028	2 293	2 550	3 767
New Zealand	1 431	1 733	1 970	2 173	2 150	2 399	2 785	3 201	3 554	3 591	3 685	3 723
Papua New Guinea	190	109	105	235	584	953	1 254	1 296	1 125	1 220	1 091	768
Saudi Arabia	437	419	458	676	843	643	812	593	750	874	858	648
South Africa	155	99	98	119	99	114	192	268	302	433	424	582
Switzerland	490	544	497	567	664	580	721	818	991	966	895	950
Taiwan	1 517	1 744	1 920	1 946	1 752	1 979	2 213	2 362	2 570	2 585	2 522	2 809
Turkey	20	33	32	55	32	46	39	45	58	73	74	112
United Arab Emirates	176	216	396	452	419	469	698	617	627	475	800	492
United States of America	8 118	8 532	10 129	12 373	11 475	11 743	13 004	14 017	16 044	17 545	17 642	19 834
Other countries	1 444	1 604	1 638	1 825	1 512	1 382	1 534	1 815	2 082	2 326	2 617	2 809
Country unknown	11	9	19	21	21	35	40	32	31	46	47	57
International waters	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	4	—	—	—
Unidentified	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total trade	36 988	40 597	47 040	51 333	48 912	50 984	59 575	64 470	74 619	77 792	78 998	90 684

(a) Due to changes in Customs valuation, data from 1989-90 are not fully comparable with data for previous periods.

(b) From 1987-88 includes gold coins, whether or not they are legal tender, and other coins which are legal tender.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication contains quarterly statistics of Australia's merchandise trade with its major trading partners and selected country groups.

2 The merchandise export and import statistics in this publication are compiled in broad agreement with the United Nations' recommendations for the compilation of international trade statistics. The paragraphs below briefly describe the concepts and methods used in their compilation.

RELATIONSHIP TO BALANCE OF PAYMENTS STATISTICS

3 The basic source of balance of payments data on goods exports and imports is 'international merchandise trade statistics'. However, because of conceptual differences, various coverage, timing and (imports only) valuation adjustments are necessary before international trade statistics can be put on a balance of payments basis. For more information on the relationship between international merchandise trade statistics and balance of payments statistics on merchandise trade see Chapter 6 of *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (Cat. no. 5331.0).

SOURCE OF DATA

4 International merchandise trade statistics are compiled by the Australian Bureau of Statistics from information submitted by exporters and importers or their agents to the Australian Customs Service (ACS).

SCOPE

5 Merchandise trade covers all movable goods which add to (imports) or subtract from (exports) the stock of material resources in Australia.

Excluded are:

- direct transit trade, i.e. goods being trans-shipped or moved through Australia for purposes of transport only;
- ships and aircraft moving through Australia while engaged in the transport of passengers or goods between Australia and other countries; and
- non-merchandise goods, consisting primarily of goods moving on a temporary basis (e.g. mobile equipment; goods under repair; goods for exhibition; and passengers' effects).

COVERAGE

6 The United Nations' recommendations for the compilation of merchandise trade statistics recognise that the basic source used by most compiling countries—the customs record—will not be able to capture certain transactions. In Australia the following types of goods which fall within the scope of merchandise trade, are excluded because customs entries are not required:

- migrants' and passengers' effects exported or imported; and
- parcel post exports for values not exceeding \$2 000 and parcel post imports for values not exceeding \$1 000.

For exports only:

- sales of aircraft (and parts or components) which were imported into Australia prior to 1 July 1987 for use on overseas routes;
- fish and other sea products landed abroad directly from the high seas by Australian ships; and
- from 1 July 1986 individual transaction lines (within an export consignment) where the value of the goods is less than \$500. Prior to that date, the value level was \$250.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COVERAGE *continued*

For imports only:

- bunkers, aviation fuel and stores supplied abroad to Australian ships and aircraft;
- prior to 1 July 1987 the delivery of certain ships and aircraft (and parts and components) intended for use on overseas routes; and
- consignments screened free or entered on informal clearance documents (ICDs) for values not exceeding \$250 are excluded. From July 1998 individual transactions lines (within a formally entered import consignment) where the value of goods is less than \$250 are not processed by ABS and are excluded from import statistics.

In addition, although merchandise trade statistics should include illegal transactions, such as smuggled goods, these transactions are omitted as there is no practical way to collect this information.

BASIS OF COMPILATION

7 The merchandise trade statistics in this publication are recorded on a general trade basis, i.e. exports include both Australian produce and re-exports, and imports comprise goods entered directly for home consumption together with goods imported into bonded warehouses.

8 Australian produce is defined as goods, materials or articles which have been produced or manufactured in Australia. Processing and assembly operations that leave imported components and products essentially unchanged are not considered as production or manufacture.

9 Re-exports are defined as goods, materials or articles originally imported into Australia which are exported in the same condition or after undergoing minor operations (e.g. blending, packaging, bottling, cleaning, husking and shelling) which leave them essentially unchanged. Information on re-exports is shown in Table 25.

STATISTICAL PERIOD

10 From January 1988, exports are recorded in the calendar month in which the goods departed from Australia. Prior to January 1988, exports are recorded in the month in which the entries were processed by the ACS. For further details on the impact of the changed compilation basis on the merchandise export series refer to the article 'Changed timing basis for compilation of merchandise exports statistics' in the June 1992 issue of this publication.

11 Imports are generally recorded statistically in the calendar month in which the import entries are finalised by the ACS. Import entries may be lodged early and finalised prior to arrival, or their finalisation may be delayed because of the various validation checks carried out by ACS. Currently, approximately 85% of total import trade by value shown for a particular month reflects shipments which arrived in that month, while approximately 10% reflects shipments which arrived during the previous month with the remaining 5% by value arriving in earlier or later months. For individual commodities these percentages may vary considerably.

12 Occasionally significant delays occur in the lodgement, rather than processing, of import entries. When the affected entries are for significant values, they are recorded statistically in the month that they should have been lodged and finalised.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

VALUATION

13 The value of exports is the free on board (f.o.b.) transactions value of the goods expressed in Australian dollars. Goods shipped on consignment are initially valued at the f.o.b. Australian port of shipment equivalent of the current price offering for similar goods of Australian origin in the principal markets of the country to which the goods are despatched for sale. Exporters who do not know the value of the goods at shipment and enter an approximate value must subsequently submit an entry either confirming or revising the estimated return.

14 The value of imports is the Australian Customs Value. Goods are valued at the point of containerisation (in most cases) or the port of shipment, or at the customs frontier of the exporting country, whichever comes first.

15 Changes in Customs valuation introduced from 1 July 1989 with the *Customs and Excise Legislation Amendment Act 1989* are likely to have marginally raised Customs valuations. Data for periods from 1 July 1989 are therefore not fully comparable with data for previous periods. However, investigations of imports valuations, for years before and after the change have shown no measurable effect on the valuation of imports that can be attributed to the change in legislation. For details of the changes in legislation see the note 'Change in the Valuation of Imports' at the beginning of the Explanatory Notes of the 1989–90 issue of *Foreign Trade, Australia: Comparative and Summary Tables* (Cat. no. 5410.0).

COUNTRY

16 For the purposes of international merchandise trade statistics, a country is defined as a geographical entity which trades, or has the potential to trade, with Australia in accordance with ACS provisions. External territories under Australian administration are treated as separate countries while self-governing territories and dependent territories under the administration of other countries may be treated as individual countries in Australian international merchandise trade statistics.

17 For exports, 'country' refers to the country to which the goods were consigned at the time of export. Where the country of consignment is not known at the time of export, and where it is impossible to determine the destination, goods are recorded as 'Destination Unknown'. Tables 7 and 33 which show exports by country also include the item "Ship and aircraft stores". "Ship and aircraft stores" comprise fuel, food and other goods loaded onto foreign owned vessels and aircraft to be consumed during international journeys.

18 For imports, 'country' refers to the country of origin of the goods, which is defined as the country of production for Customs purposes. Where the country of origin is not known at the time of import and where it is impossible to determine the origin, goods are recorded as 'Origin Unknown'. Goods reported with country of origin 'Australia' (i.e. goods of Australian origin exported and subsequently re-imported) are shown as country 'Australia (Re-imports)' and are included in the Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation country group.

19 Wherever possible, statistics for countries and country groups for all time periods included in this publication reflect the composition of those countries and country groups on the last day of the reference period of this publication. Thus, after the German Democratic Republic and the German Federal Republic were reunited, statistics for all periods both before and after re-unification refer to the combined entity (called Germany in country classified statistics).

20 However, in the case of a country that breaks into a number of component entities, it is not possible to provide data for earlier periods for the new entities. For example, from October 1991, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania are each separately identified in the statistics, but for earlier periods trade data for these three republics are included indistinguishably in data for the USSR.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COUNTRY *continued*

21 The country groups shown in this publication are selected economic groups with which Australia trades, namely:

- Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation (APEC);
- Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN);
- Developing Countries (DCs);
- European Union (EU).

22 A list of the countries included in each of the above groups is shown in the Appendix. Country groups may not be mutually exclusive e.g. Indonesia is included in APEC, ASEAN and as a Developing Country. The countries that belong to more than one group are identified with a footnote in the Appendix.

23 More details on the composition of countries identified in these statistics are available from the *Classification Manager* on Canberra (02) 6252 5409.

COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION

24 Commodity export and import statistics in Tables 9 to 24 of this publication are presented according to the codes and descriptions of the third revision of the United Nations' *Standard International Trade Classification* (SITC Rev3) with the addition of dummy codes to take account of Australia's treatment of gold coin, whether or not legal tender, and other legal tender coin and confidential items.

25 Tables 31 and 32 of this publication are presented according to the second revision of SITC up to December 1987 and according to SITC Rev3 from January 1988. See Appendix B of the 1988–89 issue of *Foreign Trade Australia: Comparative and Summary Tables* (5410.0) for details of Divisions significantly affected by this change.

STATE

26 State information for exports presented in Table 25 refers to the State in which the final stage of production or manufacture occurs.

27 State information for imports presented in Table 26 refers to the State where imported goods were released from Customs control, also called the State of final destination. The State of final destination is not necessarily the State in which the port of discharge of the goods is located. Goods can be forwarded interstate after discharge either under ACS control or not, but are recorded as being imported into the State where they are released by the ACS.

INDUSTRY OF ORIGIN

28 Exports and imports statistics classified by subdivisions of the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) are shown in Tables 27 and 28. The statistics are compiled by allocating statistical items of the Australian Harmonized Export Commodity Classification (AHECC) and the Harmonized Customs Tariff to the ANZSIC industry of origin based upon the main economic activities of those industries with which the commodities are primarily associated. A full description of ANZSIC classes is contained in the publication *Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification, 1993 Edition* (Cat. no. 1292.0).

BROAD ECONOMIC CATEGORIES

29 Merchandise trade in Tables 29 and 30 are classified according to the categories of the United Nations' *Classification By Broad Economic Categories* (BEC). The BEC classifies international merchandise trade statistics for the purposes of general economic analysis according to the main end use of the commodities traded. The statistics are compiled by allocating the statistical items of the AHECC and the Harmonized Customs Tariff to the appropriate BEC.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

- CONFIDENTIALITY **30** Restrictions are placed on the release of statistics for certain commodities for reasons of confidentiality. These restrictions do not affect total export and import figures, but they can affect statistics at all levels in country and commodity tables. More details on the confidentiality process can be obtained from the *Confidentiality Manager* on Canberra (02) 6252 5409.
- RELIABILITY **31** Statistics in this publication for recent periods should be considered preliminary. Revisions to previously published data frequently occur due to continuing data quality checks.
- RELATED PUBLICATIONS **32** Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:
- *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia* (Cat. no. 5302.0)—issued quarterly
 - *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (Cat. no. 5331.0)—irregular issue
 - *Export Price Index, Australia* (Cat. no. 6405.0)—issued quarterly
 - *Import Price Index, Australia* (Cat. no. 6414.0)—issued quarterly
 - *International Merchandise Imports, Australia* (Cat. no. 5439.0)—issued monthly
 - *International Trade in Goods and Services, Australia* (Cat. no. 5368.0)—issued monthly
- 33** In addition, current statistics on international merchandise trade are contained in the *Year Book Australia* (1301.0), the *Pocket Year Book Australia* (Cat. no. 1302.0) and the *Australian Economic Indicators* (Cat. no. 1350.0).
- 34** Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (Cat. no. 1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Release Advice* (Cat. no. 1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and the Release Advice are available from any ABS office.
- RELATED INTERNATIONAL TRADE PRODUCTS **35** A wide range of standard and customised International Trade data services is available on computer printout, floppy disk, magnetic tape or via electronic mail. These services are available on either a subscription or ad hoc basis. More information may be obtained by telephoning (02) 6252 5400.
- ROUNDING **36** Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.
- SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES **37** The following symbols and abbreviations are used in this publication:
- nil or rounded to zero
 - n.e.c. not elsewhere classified
 - n.e.s. not elsewhere specified
 - .. not applicable

A P P E N D I X

MAJOR COUNTRY GROUPS

Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation (APEC)

Australia
Brunei(a)
Canada
Chile(a)
China(a)
Hong Kong(a)
Indonesia(a)
Japan
Korea, Republic of(a)
Malaysia(a)
Mexico(a)
New Zealand
Papua New Guinea
Peru(a)
Philippines(a)
Russian Federation
Singapore(a)
Taiwan(a)
Thailand(a)
United States of America
Viet Nam(a)

Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)

Brunei(a)
Indonesia(a)
Laos(a)
Malaysia(a)
Myanmar(a)
Philippines(a)
Singapore(a)
Thailand(a)
Viet Nam(a)

Developing Countries (DCs)(b)

Afghanistan
Albania
Algeria
American Samoa
Angola
Anguilla
Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Bahamas
Bahrain
Bangladesh
Barbados
Belize
Benin
Bermuda
Bhutan
Bolivia
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Botswana
Brazil
British Indian Ocean Territory
British Virgin Islands
Brunei(a)
Bulgaria
Burkina Faso
Burundi
Cambodia
Cameroon
Cape Verde
Cayman Islands
Central African Republic
Chad
Chile(a)
China(a)
Colombia
Comoros, Republic of

Developing Countries (DCs)(b) *continued*

Congo
Cook Islands
Costa Rica
Cote d'Ivoire
Croatia
Cuba
Cyprus
Czech Republic
Democratic Republic of Congo, Zaire
Djibouti
Dominica
Dominican Republic
Ecuador(a)
Egypt
El Salvador
Equatorial Guinea
Eritrea
Ethiopia
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)
Fiji
French Polynesia
Gabon
Gambia
Ghana
Gibraltar
Grenada
Guam
Guatemala
Guinea
Guinea-Bissau
Guyana
Haiti
Honduras
Hong Kong(a)
Hungary
India
Indonesia(a)
Iran
Iraq
Israel
Jamaica
Johnston Islands
Jordan
Kenya
Kiribati
Korea, People's Democratic Republic of
Korea, Republic of(a)
Kuwait
Laos(a)
Lebanon
Lesotho
Liberia
Libya
Macau
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Madagascar
Malawi
Malaysia(a)
Maldives
Mali
Malta
Marianas, Northern
Marshall Islands
Mauritania
Mauritius
Mexico(a)
Micronesia, Fed States of
Midway Islands
Mongolia
Montserrat
Morocco
Mozambique

A P P E N D I X

MAJOR COUNTRY GROUPS

Developing countries (DCs)(b) *continued*

Myanmar(a)
Nauru
Namibia
Nepal
Netherlands Antilles
New Caledonia
Nicaragua
Niger
Nigeria
Niue
Oman
Pakistan
Palau
Panama
Paraguay
Peru(a)
Philippines(a)
Pitcairn Island
Poland
Qatar
Romania
Rwanda
St Christopher and Nevis
St Helena
St Lucia
St Pierre and Miquelon
St Vincent and the Grenadines
Samoa
Sao Tome and Principe
Saudi Arabia
Senegal
Seychelles
Sierra Leone
Singapore(a)
Slovak Republic
Slovenia
Solomon Islands
Somalia
Sri Lanka
Sudan
Suriname
Swaziland
Syria
Taiwan(a)
Tanzania
Thailand(a)
Togo
Tokelau
Tonga
Trinidad and Tobago
Tunisia
Turkey
Turks and Caicos Islands
Tuvalu
Uganda
United Arab Emirates
Uruguay
Vanuatu
Venezuela
Viet Nam(a)
Virgin Islands of the United States
Wake Island
Wallis and Futuna Islands
Yemen
Zambia
Zimbabwe

European Union (EU)

Austria
Belgium-Luxembourg
Denmark
Finland
France
Germany
Greece
Ireland
Italy
Netherlands
Portugal
Spain
Sweden
United Kingdom

(a) Also included in other country groups.

(b) Developing Countries as defined in Schedule 1 of the Harmonized Tariff (includes Forum Island Countries, Developing Countries and places treated as Developing Countries). Excludes Papua New Guinea.

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