

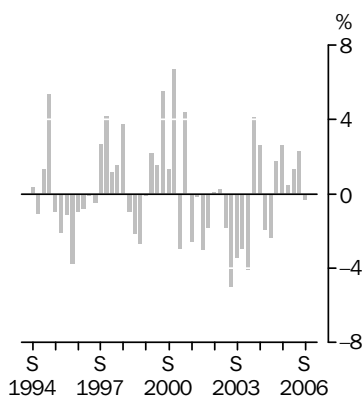
# INTERNATIONAL TRADE PRICE INDEXES

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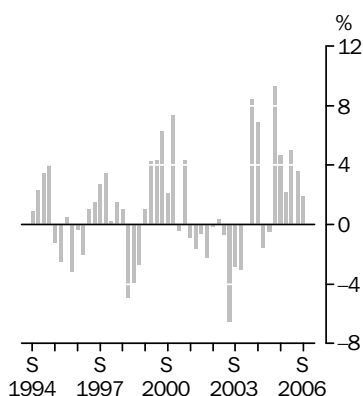
## IMPORT PRICE INDEX: all groups

Quarterly % change



## EXPORT PRICE INDEX: all groups

Quarterly % change



## KEY FIGURES

	<i>Jun Qtr 06 to Sep Qtr 06 % change</i>	<i>Sep Qtr 05 to Sep Qtr 06 % change</i>
<b>Import Price Index all groups</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>3.7</b>
Food and live animals	-1.2	0.3
Beverages and tobacco	-7.1	-9.5
Crude materials	2.6	7.8
Mineral fuels, etc.	-1.0	19.2
Animal and vegetable oils, etc.	-4.0	23.7
Chemicals and related products	0.7	0.4
Manufactured goods by material	3.1	10.6
Machinery and transport equipment	-0.8	-1.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	-1.5	0.6
Commodities and transactions n.e.s.	-2.8	40.9
<b>Export Price Index all groups</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>13.2</b>
Food and live animals	-2.6	4.2
Beverages and tobacco	0.0	-5.5
Crude materials	11.5	20.7
Mineral fuels, etc.	-4.0	-0.4
Chemicals and related products	0.2	16.7
Manufactured goods by material	8.5	45.2
Machinery and transport equipment	-1.4	-0.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.3	3.3

## KEY POINTS

### IMPORT PRICE INDEX

- The -0.3% fall in the Import Price Index for the September quarter 2006 was mainly due to decreases in refined petroleum oils and transmission apparatus. The most significant offsetting price increases were observed for crude oils and manufactured metal products. This quarter's decrease follows a 2.3% increase in June quarter 2006. Through the year to September quarter 2006, the Import Price Index rose 3.7%.

### EXPORT PRICE INDEX

- The Export Price Index increased by 1.9% in the September quarter 2006, following a 3.6% increase in June quarter 2006. The increase this quarter was driven by price rises for iron ore and concentrates, nickel, copper, zinc and petroleum gases. The most significant offsetting price decreases were for exports of coal, aluminium, sugar and gold. Through the year to September quarter 2006, the Export Price Index rose 13.2%.

## INQUIRIES

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# NOTES

## FORTHCOMING ISSUES

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## CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

Both the Import Price Index and the Export Price Index have been reweighted in the September quarter 2006. This is in line with the ABS' policy of reweighting these indexes annually in the September quarter, as explained in paragraphs 8–10 of the Explanatory Notes. The new weighting patterns are provided in an Appendix to this issue.

As a consequence of this annual reweighting, points contribution data for June quarter 2006 shown in Tables 2, 8 and 17 differ from those published in the previous issue of this publication.

## ROUNDING

Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in this publication are due to rounding.

## RELATED STATISTICS

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## ABBREVIATIONS

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ADP	automatic data processing
AHECC	Australian Harmonised Export Commodity Classification
ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification
BEC	Classification by Broad Economic Categories
f.o.b.	free on board
HTISC	Harmonized Tariff Item Statistical Classification
n.e.s.	not elsewhere specified
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification

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**IMPORT PRICE INDEX(a): All groups index numbers and percentage changes**

<i>Period</i>	<i>Index numbers</i>	<i>% change from previous period</i>	<i>% change from corresponding quarter of previous year</i>
<b>2002-03</b>	126.0	-4.8	..
<b>2003-04</b>	112.3	-10.9	..
<b>2004-05</b>	112.8	0.4	..
<b>2005-06</b>	117.0	3.7	..
<b>2001</b>			
December	134.9	-0.1	-1.5
<b>2002</b>			
March	130.8	-3.0	-1.6
June	128.4	-1.8	-7.4
September	128.5	0.1	-4.9
December	128.8	0.2	-4.5
<b>2003</b>			
March	126.4	-1.9	-3.4
June	120.1	-5.0	-6.5
September	116.0	-3.4	-9.7
December	112.6	-2.9	-12.6
<b>2004</b>			
March	108.0	-4.1	-14.6
June	112.4	4.1	-6.4
September	115.3	2.6	-0.6
December	113.1	-1.9	0.4
<b>2005</b>			
March	110.4	-2.4	2.2
June	112.3	1.7	-0.1
September	115.2	2.6	-0.1
December	115.7	0.4	2.3
<b>2006</b>			
March	117.2	1.3	6.2
June	119.9	2.3	6.8
September	119.5	-0.3	3.7

.. not applicable

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## IMPORT PRICE INDEX(a): SITC contribution to all groups index

Category	Jun Qtr 2006(b)	Sep Qtr 2006	Jun Qtr 2006 to Sep Qtr 2006
ALL GROUPS			
All groups	119.9	119.5	-0.4
SITC SECTIONS—CONTRIBUTION TO ALL GROUPS (INDEX POINTS)			
0 Food and live animals chiefly for food	4.28	4.23	-0.05
1 Beverages and tobacco	0.81	0.75	-0.06
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1.48	1.52	0.04
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and other related materials	17.91	17.74	-0.17
4 Animal and vegetable oils, etc.	0.34	0.33	-0.01
5 Chemicals and related products n.e.s.	13.44	13.53	0.09
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	13.86	14.30	0.44
7 Machinery and transport equipment	51.55	51.09	-0.46
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	15.30	15.07	-0.23
9 Commodities and transactions n.e.s.	0.93	0.90	-0.03
SELECTED SITC DIVISIONS—CONTRIBUTION TO ALL GROUPS (INDEX POINTS)			
03 Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	0.74	0.75	0.01
24 Cork and wood	0.41	0.42	0.01
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	17.60	17.43	-0.17
51 Organic chemicals	2.16	2.22	0.06
52 Inorganic chemicals	0.87	0.83	-0.04
59 Chemical materials and products n.e.s.	1.26	1.25	-0.01
64 Paper, paperboard and articles made of paper	1.88	1.89	0.01
65 Textile yarn, fabrics and related products	1.72	1.77	0.05
69 Manufactures of metals n.e.s.	3.04	3.22	0.18
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	2.47	2.47	—
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	4.88	4.75	-0.13
74 General industrial machinery, equipment and parts	6.39	6.44	0.05
75 Office machines and ADP machines	6.17	6.02	-0.15
76 Telecommunications and sound recording equipment	6.86	6.59	-0.27
77 Electrical machinery, etc. and parts thereof	5.90	5.96	0.06
78 Road vehicles	14.78	14.77	-0.01
79 Other transport equipment	3.44	3.46	0.02
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s.	2.79	2.75	-0.04
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles n.e.s.	5.24	5.15	-0.09

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(b) Differs from previously published June quarter 2006 due to annual reweighting.

(a) Reference base of each index 1989-90 = 100.0.

## IMPORT PRICE INDEX(a): Selected SITC section

<i>Period</i>	<i>Food and live animals chiefly for food (0)</i>	<i>Beverages and tobacco (1)</i>	<i>Crude materials, inedible, except fuels (2)</i>	<i>Mineral fuels, lubricants and other related materials (3)</i>	<i>Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes (4)</i>	<i>Chemicals and related products n.e.s. (5)</i>	<i>Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (6)</i>	<i>Machinery and transport equipment (7)</i>	<i>Miscellaneous manufactured articles (8)</i>	<i>Commodities and transactions n.e.s. (9)</i>
<b>2002-03</b>	125.1	139.9	123.1	174.9	141.0	120.2	129.2	118.7	132.1	115.4
<b>2003-04</b>	116.9	134.1	112.2	156.2	134.9	113.2	118.9	103.3	114.4	110.2
<b>2004-05</b>	120.0	128.2	115.1	202.3	142.2	116.8	123.2	98.3	111.8	113.3
<b>2005-06</b>	125.9	132.5	121.4	288.0	160.9	117.9	126.7	95.4	112.3	142.3
<b>2001</b>										
December	122.9	133.1	124.7	156.5	123.9	132.8	135.8	131.3	146.4	109.0
<b>2002</b>										
March	123.8	133.7	125.1	136.0	122.7	127.8	134.4	127.9	143.0	112.8
June	121.9	132.6	122.3	160.5	120.5	122.1	131.6	123.4	138.3	114.2
September	124.1	139.9	124.3	165.1	137.9	122.0	131.0	123.3	136.6	115.1
December	126.3	139.2	123.7	179.3	143.6	122.3	131.4	121.9	135.6	115.6
<b>2003</b>										
March	126.0	140.9	122.5	191.5	143.2	119.6	129.1	117.4	131.4	120.0
June	123.8	139.4	121.7	163.6	139.2	117.0	125.2	112.1	124.9	110.9
September	119.2	134.9	118.0	156.3	134.5	114.6	121.6	107.9	120.3	111.2
December	117.0	134.7	112.4	152.4	135.7	112.4	118.8	104.4	115.2	110.5
<b>2004</b>										
March	114.5	134.0	106.6	145.2	135.3	110.6	115.2	99.3	109.1	107.8
June	116.8	132.8	111.6	171.0	134.1	115.1	120.0	101.6	112.9	111.1
September	119.5	131.1	117.2	192.2	148.3	117.4	124.5	102.6	115.1	114.2
December	119.4	128.0	114.4	200.1	143.6	116.6	123.2	99.1	112.0	115.8
<b>2005</b>										
March	117.7	124.4	112.6	188.2	135.5	115.7	122.4	96.2	110.1	110.8
June	123.2	129.4	116.1	228.7	141.4	117.5	122.5	95.2	109.8	112.2
September	124.9	133.3	118.4	268.9	141.1	118.2	123.1	95.5	110.8	116.8
December	125.6	133.9	120.6	270.1	156.7	118.3	124.8	95.5	111.7	132.0
<b>2006</b>										
March	126.3	132.8	122.2	289.2	164.2	117.3	127.0	95.3	113.4	151.2
June	126.8	129.8	124.4	323.7	181.7	117.9	132.0	95.2	113.2	169.3
September	125.3	120.6	127.6	320.5	174.5	118.7	136.1	94.4	111.5	164.6

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## IMPORT PRICE INDEX(a): Consumption goods

Period	BEC END USE	BROAD BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CATEGORIES					
	Consumption goods total	Food and beverages, mainly for consumption	Household electrical items	Non- industrial transport equipment	Textiles, clothing and footwear	Toys, books and leisure goods	Consumption goods n.e.s.
<b>2002-03</b>	133.5	132.8	107.9	164.7	127.7	138.0	126.4
<b>2003-04</b>	121.8	125.9	93.2	156.3	107.9	121.2	116.6
<b>2004-05</b>	119.4	128.1	85.7	152.2	103.8	118.7	115.4
<b>2005-06</b>	119.0	134.9	82.3	148.0	104.1	119.3	113.6
<b>2001</b>							
December	141.7	130.7	120.1	172.7	140.1	147.8	135.4
<b>2002</b>							
March	139.7	131.4	119.0	169.6	138.7	147.2	132.1
June	136.4	128.8	115.8	166.1	134.7	142.3	129.3
September	136.0	132.2	113.8	165.9	132.7	140.7	128.6
December	135.7	133.7	109.0	166.1	132.1	140.5	128.6
<b>2003</b>							
March	133.4	133.4	107.0	164.7	126.7	138.1	126.3
June	129.0	131.9	101.8	162.0	119.4	132.8	121.9
September	125.5	127.7	97.5	158.9	114.7	128.3	119.3
December	122.3	126.0	94.4	156.8	109.9	122.3	116.5
<b>2004</b>							
March	118.3	123.9	89.9	154.6	101.9	115.2	113.7
June	120.9	125.9	90.9	154.9	105.2	118.8	116.8
September	122.2	128.2	89.7	154.0	108.4	121.4	118.2
December	119.9	127.2	85.9	153.8	104.8	118.9	116.1
<b>2005</b>							
March	117.6	125.5	84.6	151.3	101.0	117.3	113.9
June	117.8	131.3	82.7	149.5	100.8	117.2	113.4
September	119.0	133.2	84.4	149.4	101.9	118.0	114.7
December	118.7	134.7	83.3	147.7	103.7	119.4	112.6
<b>2006</b>							
March	119.0	135.6	81.5	147.0	105.6	119.6	113.2
June	119.2	136.0	79.9	148.0	105.3	120.3	113.7
September	118.1	132.3	77.7	147.0	106.3	116.9	113.3

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## IMPORT PRICE INDEX(a): Capital goods

Period	BEC END USE	BROAD BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CATEGORIES					
	Capital goods total	Machinery and industrial equipment	ADP equipment	Telecommunications equipment	Civil aircraft	Industrial transport equipment n.e.s.	Capital goods n.e.s.
<b>2002-03</b>	116.7	145.1	35.5	62.9	158.8	175.4	143.9
<b>2003-04</b>	101.9	130.6	25.9	52.0	136.7	165.5	129.0
<b>2004-05</b>	97.3	130.1	22.4	43.7	137.0	163.5	124.4
<b>2005-06</b>	93.9	129.3	19.9	38.9	145.0	159.1	121.2
<b>2001</b>							
December	129.0	160.9	45.7	68.0	178.0	181.6	158.0
<b>2002</b>							
March	125.3	155.2	42.8	67.1	176.1	177.4	156.3
June	121.1	148.6	39.6	66.5	166.5	174.4	151.5
September	121.4	149.1	38.9	66.5	164.6	178.9	147.8
December	119.9	147.5	37.5	66.7	164.9	176.6	147.1
<b>2003</b>							
March	115.4	144.5	34.4	61.7	157.5	174.4	143.2
June	110.1	139.2	31.2	56.7	148.2	171.7	137.6
September	106.3	134.8	28.8	54.6	144.1	169.0	133.9
December	102.6	130.0	26.5	53.0	138.5	166.5	129.0
<b>2004</b>							
March	98.3	125.9	23.7	50.9	128.3	162.2	126.0
June	100.5	131.5	24.4	49.6	135.9	164.3	127.2
September	101.4	133.7	24.7	48.4	140.0	167.6	128.4
December	98.2	129.9	22.8	46.1	137.3	164.5	123.8
<b>2005</b>							
March	95.3	128.6	21.4	40.4	133.5	162.8	123.5
June	94.2	128.2	20.6	39.8	137.2	158.9	121.9
September	94.2	127.3	20.7	39.5	140.0	160.0	121.9
December	94.4	128.7	20.3	39.8	144.6	161.1	122.4
<b>2006</b>							
March	93.5	129.6	19.6	38.2	147.0	158.1	120.9
June	93.4	131.6	18.8	38.2	148.4	157.2	119.5
September	92.1	129.9	18.3	36.5	149.2	159.0	117.8

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.



## IMPORT PRICE INDEX(a): Intermediate &amp; other merchandise goods

Period	BROAD BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CATEGORIES								
	Intermediate and other merchandise goods total	Intermediate and other merchandise goods total excluding non-monetary gold	Food and beverages, mainly for industry	Primary industrial supplies n.e.s.	Fuels and lubricants	Parts for transport equipment	Parts for ADP equipment	Other parts for capital goods	Organic and inorganic chemicals
<b>2002-03</b>	121.7	121.7	125.7	126.9	204.0	146.0	28.5	111.9	110.0
<b>2003-04</b>	108.2	108.4	115.8	115.2	182.8	130.4	20.6	94.0	103.7
<b>2004-05</b>	114.8	115.1	117.5	116.4	238.3	127.6	17.9	89.2	110.6
<b>2005-06</b>	127.9	127.9	121.3	122.0	341.4	129.2	15.8	87.4	113.9
<b>2001</b>									
December	128.3	128.5	100.0	122.2	181.0	155.3	37.5	126.0	130.4
<b>2002</b>									
March	122.7	122.8	101.4	125.2	156.2	154.9	35.0	123.0	123.6
June	122.2	122.3	108.7	123.3	186.2	149.9	32.2	117.7	114.1
September	122.6	122.7	119.1	124.8	192.0	148.9	31.4	116.7	113.2
December	124.6	124.7	127.3	128.1	209.2	149.4	30.2	115.7	112.9
<b>2003</b>									
March	123.5	123.6	131.8	128.4	223.8	144.9	27.6	110.4	108.9
June	115.9	115.9	124.6	126.2	190.8	140.6	24.9	104.8	104.8
September	111.3	111.4	117.2	122.3	182.6	134.4	22.9	100.1	104.1
December	108.1	108.2	115.8	115.9	177.9	134.1	21.2	95.2	102.7
<b>2004</b>									
March	103.1	103.2	115.6	109.9	169.9	125.0	18.9	88.9	101.1
June	110.3	110.6	114.4	112.6	200.6	128.2	19.5	91.9	106.8
September	115.7	116.0	120.4	118.5	225.8	133.1	19.7	93.3	109.1
December	114.5	114.8	117.7	119.6	235.7	127.9	18.2	89.9	108.6
<b>2005</b>									
March	111.7	112.0	112.7	113.3	221.4	124.7	17.1	87.1	110.4
June	117.1	117.4	119.1	114.3	270.2	124.5	16.4	86.5	114.3
September	123.2	123.5	119.1	118.4	318.5	126.2	16.5	86.8	113.0
December	124.6	124.8	119.6	121.5	319.6	127.6	16.2	87.2	114.9
<b>2006</b>									
March	128.6	128.5	121.6	122.4	343.0	131.1	15.6	87.7	113.3
June	135.0	134.8	124.7	125.5	384.5	131.9	15.0	87.9	114.5
September	135.6	135.6	124.8	130.1	380.5	133.4	14.6	88.2	115.3

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

BROAD BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CATEGORIES *continued*

<i>Period</i>	<i>Paper and paperboard</i>	<i>Textile yam and fabrics</i>	<i>Iron and steel</i>	<i>Plastics</i>	<i>Processed industrial supplies n.e.s.</i>	<i>Non- monetary gold</i>
<b>2002-03</b>	113.6	117.8	114.4	128.9	134.2	115.5
<b>2003-04</b>	101.5	103.3	113.2	113.0	122.4	110.3
<b>2004-05</b>	93.8	105.1	141.9	122.1	126.5	113.4
<b>2005-06</b>	94.0	105.9	143.4	128.8	134.2	142.5
<b>2001</b>						
December	125.0	129.2	114.3	140.5	141.7	109.1
<b>2002</b>						
March	122.3	127.0	111.7	137.6	138.8	112.9
June	120.5	120.8	108.7	132.4	136.1	114.3
September	116.5	121.3	111.9	134.5	135.8	115.2
December	115.4	120.7	116.1	131.2	136.3	115.7
<b>2003</b>						
March	112.4	116.6	115.9	126.2	134.5	120.1
June	110.2	112.6	113.7	123.8	130.0	111.0
September	105.6	107.5	112.4	117.2	125.8	111.3
December	103.9	102.1	109.1	112.0	122.3	110.6
<b>2004</b>						
March	99.3	98.7	106.6	106.7	118.3	108.0
June	97.0	105.0	124.5	116.2	123.0	111.3
September	96.0	108.4	140.3	120.7	127.4	114.3
December	93.9	105.8	138.6	121.2	126.1	115.9
<b>2005</b>						
March	92.7	103.5	143.5	121.9	124.9	110.9
June	92.7	102.8	145.3	124.6	127.5	112.3
September	93.9	103.4	143.4	126.3	128.6	116.9
December	94.6	106.4	143.6	127.1	131.7	132.2
<b>2006</b>						
March	93.6	106.9	140.7	131.1	135.4	151.4
June	93.9	107.0	145.7	130.6	141.2	169.5
September	94.4	107.1	152.5	134.2	143.7	164.8

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX (a): All groups, index numbers and percentage changes

<i>Period</i>	<i>Index numbers</i>	<i>% change from previous period</i>	<i>% change from corresponding quarter of previous year</i>
<b>2002-03</b>	111.7	-4.3	..
<b>2003-04</b>	102.5	-8.2	..
<b>2004-05</b>	116.4	13.6	..
<b>2005-06</b>	136.0	16.8	..
<b>2001</b>			
December	117.2	-1.7	1.2
<b>2002</b>			
March	116.4	-0.7	1.0
June	113.8	-2.2	-5.4
September	113.6	-0.2	-4.7
December	114.0	0.4	-2.7
<b>2003</b>			
March	113.2	-0.7	-2.7
June	105.8	-6.5	-7.0
September	102.8	-2.8	-9.5
December	99.6	-3.1	-12.6
<b>2004</b>			
March	99.6	0.0	-12.0
June	108.0	8.4	2.1
September	115.4	6.9	12.3
December	113.6	-1.6	14.1
<b>2005</b>			
March	113.0	-0.5	13.5
June	123.5	9.3	14.4
September	129.3	4.7	12.0
December	132.1	2.2	16.3
<b>2006</b>			
March	138.7	5.0	22.7
June	143.7	3.6	16.4
September	146.4	1.9	13.2

.. not applicable

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX(a): SITC contribution to all groups index

Category	Jun Qtr 2006(b)	Sep Qtr 2006	Jun Qtr 2006 to Sep Qtr 2006
ALL GROUPS			
All groups	143.7	146.4	2.7
SELECTED SITC SECTIONS—CONTRIBUTION TO ALL GROUPS (INDEX POINTS)			
0 Food and live animals	19.64	19.13	-0.51
1 Beverages and tobacco	2.58	2.58	—
2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	28.85	32.15	3.30
3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and other related materials	34.96	33.57	-1.39
5 Chemicals and related products n.e.s.	11.40	11.42	0.02
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	19.32	20.96	1.64
7 Machinery and transport equipment	11.80	11.62	-0.18
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	4.25	4.26	0.01
SELECTED SITC DIVISIONS—CONTRIBUTION TO ALL GROUPS (INDEX POINTS)			
00 Live animals other than animals of division 03	0.83	0.86	0.03
01 Meat and meat preparations	6.02	5.82	-0.20
02 Dairy products and eggs	2.18	2.13	-0.05
03 Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	1.21	1.28	0.07
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	4.75	4.60	-0.15
05 Vegetables and fruit	1.25	1.29	0.04
11 Beverages	2.48	2.48	—
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	0.58	0.59	0.01
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	3.10	3.07	-0.03
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	22.69	26.15	3.46
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	21.99	20.51	-1.48
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	8.46	8.33	-0.13
52 Inorganic chemicals	6.35	6.29	-0.06
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	2.64	2.69	0.05
61 Leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s. and dressed furskins	0.37	0.39	0.02
67 Iron and steel	1.98	2.27	0.29
68 Non-ferrous metals	13.64	14.94	1.30
71-75 Power generating machinery and equipment	4.74	4.64	-0.10
76-77 Telecommunications and electrical machinery n.e.s.	2.27	2.23	-0.04
78 Road vehicles	3.65	3.63	-0.02
79 Other transport equipment	1.13	1.12	-0.01
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles n.e.s.	2.57	2.56	-0.01

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(b) Differs from previously published June quarter 2006 due to annual reweighting.

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX(a): Selected SITC section

<i>Period</i>	<i>Food and live animals chiefly for food (0)</i>	<i>Beverages and tobacco (1)</i>	<i>Crude materials, inedible, except fuels (2)</i>	<i>Mineral fuels, lubricants and other related materials (3)</i>	<i>Chemicals and related products n.e.s. (5)</i>	<i>Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (6)</i>	<i>Machinery and transport equipment (7)</i>	<i>Miscellaneous manufactured articles (8)</i>
<b>2002-03</b>	109.3	143.8	97.0	160.9	100.4	102.1	100.6	104.5
<b>2003-04</b>	100.7	124.4	90.0	139.4	97.2	100.6	89.8	90.8
<b>2004-05</b>	106.8	126.4	103.1	184.9	108.3	121.1	88.4	89.2
<b>2005-06</b>	112.0	124.8	121.3	254.0	118.8	139.8	89.8	94.4
<b>2001</b>								
December	121.5	141.4	98.0	166.3	115.1	103.2	107.0	121.3
<b>2002</b>								
March	120.7	145.1	100.6	159.4	111.0	103.4	105.8	119.9
June	115.0	142.0	97.5	158.9	107.3	103.6	103.1	114.7
September	111.3	146.0	96.4	163.7	106.7	103.8	103.7	109.9
December	111.9	145.5	98.5	166.4	101.1	103.7	102.8	107.5
<b>2003</b>								
March	110.7	143.7	99.8	163.9	99.0	103.5	100.0	103.2
June	103.3	140.0	93.2	149.4	94.7	97.2	96.0	97.3
September	100.5	126.0	90.4	142.4	93.9	95.6	94.2	95.3
December	99.2	122.7	86.7	134.7	90.1	95.5	89.4	90.2
<b>2004</b>								
March	100.2	122.5	87.8	127.3	98.6	100.5	86.5	88.0
June	103.0	126.3	95.0	153.3	106.1	110.7	89.0	89.6
September	108.6	128.9	100.2	177.1	108.2	121.0	89.6	90.4
December	106.2	125.5	98.7	174.5	106.2	119.7	88.3	88.7
<b>2005</b>								
March	105.5	124.4	98.6	174.3	106.4	119.7	87.0	88.3
June	106.8	126.6	115.0	213.6	112.2	124.1	88.5	89.2
September	108.7	126.3	116.7	248.4	110.5	123.0	89.0	92.9
December	110.2	126.5	118.0	250.9	115.3	127.3	89.7	94.0
<b>2006</b>								
March	112.8	127.2	124.2	259.0	120.7	144.1	90.3	95.1
June	116.3	119.3	126.3	257.7	128.6	164.6	90.2	95.7
September	113.3	119.3	140.8	247.5	128.9	178.6	88.9	96.0

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## BALANCE OF PAYMENTS GROUPS

<i>Period</i>	<i>Rural goods total</i>	<i>Meat and meat preparations</i>	<i>Cereal grains and cereal preparations</i>	<i>Wool and sheepskins</i>	<i>Other rural</i>
<b>2002-03</b>	<b>104.0</b>	118.5	104.8	94.8	125.1
<b>2003-04</b>	<b>95.1</b>	120.4	93.7	78.1	113.5
<b>2004-05</b>	<b>97.2</b>	137.2	87.4	70.8	117.4
<b>2005-06</b>	<b>97.5</b>	136.4	87.8	63.0	121.2
<b>2001</b>					
December	<b>108.4</b>	137.9	106.6	66.8	146.0
<b>2002</b>					
March	<b>109.6</b>	136.6	107.9	77.2	142.5
June	<b>105.7</b>	131.7	101.6	85.9	131.4
September	<b>103.5</b>	123.7	100.9	83.6	130.5
December	<b>106.1</b>	120.7	107.5	96.2	127.8
<b>2003</b>					
March	<b>107.1</b>	116.4	111.5	104.3	125.1
June	<b>99.3</b>	113.3	99.3	95.0	117.1
September	<b>96.2</b>	109.8	97.8	84.1	116.3
December	<b>94.4</b>	121.1	92.3	79.0	111.6
<b>2004</b>					
March	<b>94.1</b>	126.2	90.7	74.8	111.1
June	<b>95.8</b>	124.4	94.1	74.4	115.1
September	<b>100.3</b>	138.6	94.9	76.7	118.9
December	<b>96.8</b>	138.7	85.7	71.6	116.3
<b>2005</b>					
March	<b>95.3</b>	136.0	84.5	68.0	115.6
June	<b>96.2</b>	135.5	84.3	66.7	118.9
September	<b>97.4</b>	140.7	84.0	64.9	120.4
December	<b>97.1</b>	135.5	87.7	60.6	121.6
<b>2006</b>					
March	<b>97.2</b>	133.7	89.9	60.2	121.7
June	<b>98.1</b>	135.7	89.5	66.2	121.0
September	<b>96.3</b>	131.2	86.6	65.6	120.3

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## BALANCE OF PAYMENTS GROUPS

<i>Period</i>	<i>Non-rural goods total (excluding non-monetary gold)</i>	<i>Metal ores and minerals</i>	<i>Coal, coke and briquettes</i>	<i>Other minerals</i>	<i>Metals (excluding non-monetary gold)</i>	<i>Machinery</i>	<i>Transport equipment</i>	<i>Other manufactures</i>	<i>Other non-rural</i>	<i>Non-monetary gold</i>
<b>2002-03</b>	<b>117.1</b>	103.3	120.3	258.7	99.4	89.4	126.4	112.5	82.4	117.1
<b>2003-04</b>	<b>107.3</b>	99.9	99.1	234.6	100.2	79.8	112.7	103.7	69.1	111.8
<b>2004-05</b>	<b>126.8</b>	124.8	139.9	289.2	125.4	78.9	110.4	107.2	73.0	114.9
<b>2005-06</b>	<b>153.1</b>	158.1	208.2	352.4	148.7	80.2	111.7	109.5	83.2	144.6
<b>2001</b>										
December	<b>124.5</b>	117.5	140.4	236.7	99.7	95.6	133.1	123.8	87.3	110.7
<b>2002</b>										
March	<b>122.2</b>	116.2	138.5	219.8	101.3	94.5	131.8	119.3	89.7	114.5
June	<b>119.8</b>	111.4	129.9	233.5	101.1	91.7	129.2	117.0	84.0	115.9
September	<b>120.5</b>	110.1	128.6	251.0	101.2	92.4	129.4	115.9	81.4	116.8
December	<b>119.8</b>	104.7	126.9	262.8	100.8	91.1	129.6	114.7	83.4	117.3
<b>2003</b>										
March	<b>117.7</b>	102.2	118.2	272.3	100.9	88.6	126.1	111.6	82.9	121.8
June	<b>110.5</b>	96.0	107.5	248.6	94.5	85.4	120.3	107.6	82.0	112.6
September	<b>107.3</b>	95.7	103.1	235.5	93.3	83.5	118.5	105.0	73.0	112.8
December	<b>103.1</b>	92.6	95.2	228.0	93.9	79.7	111.8	101.4	68.0	112.1
<b>2004</b>										
March	<b>103.5</b>	99.2	87.5	220.9	101.2	77.3	107.7	102.4	66.3	109.6
June	<b>115.1</b>	111.9	110.7	254.0	112.4	78.5	112.8	106.0	68.9	112.8
September	<b>124.1</b>	118.0	127.1	295.8	124.5	79.3	113.2	108.7	72.7	115.9
December	<b>122.7</b>	117.4	128.2	283.2	123.9	78.8	110.2	107.1	71.9	117.5
<b>2005</b>										
March	<b>122.7</b>	120.0	133.2	269.1	124.7	78.1	108.1	105.1	71.5	112.5
June	<b>137.6</b>	143.8	171.2	308.6	128.3	79.4	110.0	107.8	75.8	113.8
September	<b>145.3</b>	145.4	205.2	339.7	127.1	79.5	111.1	109.2	77.0	118.6
December	<b>148.3</b>	150.5	211.7	329.5	132.5	79.6	112.5	110.6	79.6	133.9
<b>2006</b>										
March	<b>156.6</b>	165.1	213.2	356.5	154.4	80.4	112.7	108.5	85.0	153.5
June	<b>162.2</b>	171.5	202.8	383.7	180.8	81.3	110.6	109.8	91.0	172.2
September	<b>167.1</b>	191.1	189.2	386.2	199.2	79.7	109.8	111.1	88.8	167.2

(a) Reference base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

**1** This publication contains indexes measuring changes in the prices of imports of merchandise that are landed in Australia each quarter—the import price index (tables 1–6), and exports of merchandise that are shipped from Australia each quarter—the export price index (tables 7–11).

**2** The indexes are calculated on the reference base 1989–90=100.0.

### SCOPE

**3** The import price index excludes the following items (representing approximately 5% of the value of merchandise imported during the weighting period) because of the inherent difficulties in pricing the items to constant quality (see paragraph 15 below):

- live animals (not for food)
- jewellery and other articles of precious metal n.e.s.
- military equipment
- commodities not classified according to kind
- works of art, collectors' pieces, antiques
- ships of various types.

**4** The export price index includes re-exports of merchandise (i.e. goods which are imported into Australia and exported at a later date without physical transformation).

### CLASSIFICATIONS

**5** Index numbers for selected sections of the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) are provided in table 3 (import price index) and table 9 (export price index).

**6** The import price index is also presented by End Use Class of the United Nations' Classification by Broad Economic Categories (BEC) in tables 4–6. These have been disaggregated into balance of payments groupings.

**7** The export price index is also presented by balance of payments export groupings in tables 10 and 11.

### ITEMS AND WEIGHTS

**8** The import price index and export price index are annually reweighted chained Laspeyres indexes. This method of weighting was introduced in the September quarter 2000 and replaces the 'fixed-base' method of weighting in which the weighting patterns are updated infrequently (generally once every 5 or 10 years).

**9** The annual reweighting and chaining process involves a number of steps in order to provide new weights each year. The current weighting basis for the import price index was derived from the average value of import items during 2005-06. This differs slightly from the export price index which has used the average value of export items during 2004-05 and 2005-06, due to the greater volatility associated with the value of export items. These weights were revalued to reflect link period (June quarter 2006) price levels; this means, for example, that the weights for the import price index are effectively determined using quantities from 2005-06 and prices from June quarter 2006. Indexes derived by using the new weights for the September quarter 2006 were then linked to the already published June quarter 2006 (link period) levels which were derived using the previous series weights. Using this methodology, long-term chain linked series can be constructed over time on a consistent reference base for continuity and user convenience, but using annually refreshed weights. The reference base for each index series continues to be 1989-90=100 even though the weights are being updated each year.

**10** The commodities directly represented in each index (the index items) were selected on the basis of the significance of their import and export values in the period 2005-06 for imports and 2004-05 & 2005-06 for exports. All significant commodities were selected for pricing. The weights for minor commodities which are not directly priced are included with those of comparable directly priced items whose prices are likely to move in a similar way.



## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### PRICE MEASUREMENT

**11** In general, prices of individual shipments are obtained from major importers and exporters of the selected items and relate to the quarter in which the imported goods physically arrive in Australia and the exported goods physically leave Australia.

**12** Imports are priced on a 'free on board' (f.o.b.), country of origin basis. Therefore freight and insurance charges involved in shipping goods from foreign to Australian ports are excluded from the prices used in the index, as are Australian import duties and taxes. Similarly, exports are priced on a f.o.b. basis at the main Australian ports of export. Exports are exempt from taxes on products.

**13** As the prices used in the indexes are expressed in Australian currency, changes in the relative value of the Australian dollar and overseas currencies can have a direct impact on price movements for the many commodities that are bought and sold in currencies other than Australian dollars. Prices reported in a foreign currency are converted to Australian dollars using relevant exchange rates. Where imports or exports are transacted in prices expressed in terms of a foreign currency and forward exchange cover is used, the prices in the indexes exclude the forward exchange cover.

**14** The main pricing methodology used is specification pricing, under which a manageable sample of precisely specified products is selected, in consultation with each reporting business, for repeat pricing. In specifying the products, care is taken to ensure that they are fully defined in terms of all the characteristics which influence their transaction prices. As such, all the relevant technical characteristics need to be described (e.g. make, model, features) along with the unit of sale, type of packaging, conditions of sale (e.g. delivered, payment within 30 days), etc. The goods are also specified by country and market in order to lessen the impact of price variations attributable solely to changes over time in the mix of countries, or markets.

**15** When the quality or specifications of an item being priced change over time, adjustments are made to the reported prices so that the index captures only pure price change. That is, any element of price change attributable to a change in quality is removed. If there is an increase (decrease) in the quality of an item, then the price index is adjusted downwards (upwards) to reflect the 'worth' of the quality change. This technique is known as pricing to constant quality.

**16** Wherever possible, prices from volume selling products being traded with predominant countries, or markets, are obtained to ensure specifications have a good chance of being re-priced over time and index series are representative of overall price movements. Individual product weights and weights between markets and countries are regularly reviewed to keep the indexes up to date.

### INDEX NUMBERS

**17** Index numbers for financial years are simple averages of the relevant quarterly index numbers.

### ANALYSIS OF INDEX CHANGES

**18** Care should be exercised when interpreting quarter-to-quarter movements in the indexes as short-term movements do not necessarily indicate changes in trend.

**19** Movements in indexes from one period to another can be expressed either as changes in 'index points' or as percentage changes. The following example illustrates the method of calculating index points changes and percentage changes between any two periods:

Export price index, All groups index number:

September quarter 2006	146.4 (see table 7)
less September quarter 2005	129.3 (see table 7)
Change in index points	17.1
Percentage change	$17.1/129.3 \times 100 = 13.2\%$

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### ANALYSIS OF INDEX CHANGES *continued*

**20** Tables 2 and 8 provide analyses of the contribution which SITC sections and divisions make to the All groups import price index and export price index, respectively. For example, imports of mineral fuels, etc. contributed 17.74 index points to the All groups import price index number of 119.5 for September quarter 2006 and -0.17 index points to the net change of -0.4 index points between June and September quarters 2006.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

**21** For further information on price indexes in the ABS refer to the following publications:

*Information Paper: Producer and International Trade Price Indexes; Concepts, Sources and Methods 2006*, cat.no.6429.0

*Information Paper: An Analytical Framework for Price Indexes in Australia*, cat. no. 6421.0

*Information Paper: Producer Price Index Developments*, cat. no. 6422.0

*Information Paper: Review of the Import Price Index and Export Price Index, Australia*, cat. no. 6424.0

*Information Paper: Price Indexes and The New Tax System*, cat. no. 6425.0

### RELATED PUBLICATIONS

**22** Users may also wish to refer to the following related publications, which are available from ABS bookshops:

*Producer Price Indexes, Australia*, cat. no. 6427.0

*Consumer Price Index, Australia*, cat. no. 6401.0

*Labour Price Index, Australia*, cat. no. 6345.0

*Australian National Accounts, Input-Output Tables*, cat. no. 5209.0

*Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia*, cat. no. 5302.0

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## APPENDIX INDEX STRUCTURES & WEIGHTING PATTERNS

### COMPOSITION

Both the Import Price Index and the Export Price Index have been reweighted in the September quarter 2006. It is ABS' practice to reweight these indexes annually each September quarter, as explained in paragraphs 8 – 10 of the explanatory notes. The new weighting patterns for both the Import Price Index and Export Price Index, based on the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) (Revision 3), are presented in this Appendix.

All SITC sections and divisions are included in the reweighted index structure for completeness. However, indexes for some of the lower weighted SITC section and divisions are not constructed separately and so are not available for publication.

Corresponding new weighting patterns based on classification by Broad economic Categories (BEC), Harmonized Tariff Item Statistical Classification (HTSIC) and Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) for the Import Price Index and Australian Harmonised Export Commodity Classification (AHECC) and ANZSIC for the Export Price Index are available on request.

### IMPORT PRICE INDEX GROUPED BY SITC (REVISION 3) (a)(b)

SITC	<i>Divisions to Sections</i>	<i>Divisions &amp; Sections to All Groups</i>
<b>0 Food and live animals chiefly for food</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>3.57</b>
01 Meat and meat preparations	5.58	0.20
02 Dairy products and eggs	6.98	0.25
03 Fish, crustaceans, molluscs and preparations thereof	17.39	0.62
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	7.63	0.27
05 Vegetables and fruit	20.12	0.72
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	3.15	0.11
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	13.11	0.47
08 Animal feed	5.20	0.19
09 Miscellaneous edible products	20.84	0.74
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>0.67</b>
11 Beverages	80.08	0.54
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	19.92	0.13
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>1.23</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	0.09	0.00
22 Oil seeds etc.	2.35	0.03
23 Crude rubber	8.83	0.11
24 Cork and wood	27.88	0.34
25 Pulp and waste paper	11.86	0.15
26 Textiles	6.95	0.09
27 Crude fertilisers and minerals	8.71	0.11
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	19.49	0.24
29 Crude animal materials n.e.s.	13.82	0.17
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>14.94</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	0.11	0.02
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	98.26	14.68
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	1.64	0.24
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>0.28</b>
41 Animal oils and fats	4.58	0.01
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils	82.82	0.24
43 Fats and oils waxes n.e.s.	12.59	0.04

(a) Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3).

(b) Indexes for some lower weighted sections/divisions are not available for publication.

## APPENDIX INDEX STRUCTURES & WEIGHTING PATTERNS *continued*

### IMPORT PRICE INDEX GROUPED BY SITC (REVISION 3)(a)(b) *continued*

SITC	Divisions to Sections	Divisions & Sections to All Groups
<b>5 Chemicals and related products n.e.s.</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>11.21</b>
51 Organic chemicals	16.06	1.80
52 Inorganic chemicals	6.44	0.72
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	3.08	0.35
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	38.03	4.26
55 Essential oils and perfume	8.19	0.92
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)	5.06	0.57
57 Plastics in primary forms	7.62	0.85
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	6.17	0.69
59 Chemical materials and products n.e.s.	9.35	1.05
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>11.56</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures n.e.s.	0.60	0.07
62 Rubber manufactures n.e.s.	11.08	1.28
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	3.40	0.39
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp	13.58	1.57
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles n.e.s.	12.39	1.43
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures n.e.s.	12.20	1.41
67 Iron and steel	17.51	2.02
68 Non-ferrous metals	7.29	0.84
69 Manufactures of metals n.e.s.	21.95	2.54
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>42.99</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	4.80	2.06
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	9.47	4.07
73 Metal working machinery	1.25	0.54
74 General industrial machinery, equipment and parts	12.40	5.33
75 Office machines and ADP machines	11.98	5.15
76 Telecommunications and sound recording equipment	13.32	5.73
77 Electrical machinery etc. and parts thereof	11.44	4.92
78 Road vehicles	28.68	12.33
79 Other transport equipment	6.68	2.87
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>12.76</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings, fixtures and fittings	2.66	0.34
82 Furniture, parts thereof	10.08	1.29
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	2.75	0.35
84 Articles of apparel and clothing	20.44	2.61
85 Footwear	5.22	0.67
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s.	18.21	2.32
88 Photographic apparatus etc., and optical goods n.e.s., watches and clocks	6.38	0.81
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles n.e.s.	34.26	4.37
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.s.</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>0.78</b>
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	100.00	0.78

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## APPENDIX INDEX STRUCTURES & WEIGHTING PATTERNS *continued*

### EXPORT PRICE INDEX GROUPED BY SITC (REVISION 3)(a)(b)

SITC	<i>Division to Sections</i>	<i>Divisions &amp; Sections to All Groups</i>
<b>0</b>	<b>Food and Live Animals chiefly for food</b>	<b>100.00</b>
00	Live animals	4.21
01	Meat and meat preparations	30.64
02	Dairy products and eggs	11.12
03	Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	6.16
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	24.21
05	Vegetables and fruit	6.38
06	Sugar, sugar preparations and honey	11.08
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	1.03
08	Animal feed	2.41
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	2.76
<b>1</b>	<b>Beverages and Tobacco</b>	<b>100.00</b>
11	Beverages	96.32
12	Tobacco and tobacco products	3.68
<b>2</b>	<b>Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels</b>	<b>100.00</b>
21	Hides, skins and furskins, raw	2.02
22	Oil seeds etc.	2.55
23	Crude Rubber	0.10
24	Cork and wood	3.43
25	Pulp and waste paper	0.38
26	Textiles	10.73
27	Crude fertilisers and minerals	1.71
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	78.64
29	Crude animal materials n.e.s.	0.44
<b>3</b>	<b>Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>	<b>100.00</b>
32	Coal, coke and briquettes	62.88
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	24.21
34	Gas, natural and manufactured	12.91
<b>4</b>	<b>Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes</b>	<b>100.00</b>
41	Animal oils and fats	74.74
42	Fixed vegetable fats and oils	23.86
43	Animal oils and fats, waxes n.e.s.	1.40
<b>5</b>	<b>Chemicals and related products n.e.s.</b>	<b>100.00</b>
51	Organic chemicals	0.10
52	Inorganic chemicals	55.72
53	Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	5.08
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	23.17
55	Essential oils and perfume	3.60
56	Fertilisers (excluding crude)	1.38
57	Plastics in primary form	2.38
58	Plastics in non-primary form	2.37
59	Chemical materials and products n.e.s.	6.19
<b>6</b>	<b>Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>	<b>100.00</b>
61	Leather, leather manufactures n.e.s.	1.92
62	Rubber manufactures n.e.s.	0.71
63	Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	1.00
64	Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp	3.40
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles n.e.s.	1.62
66	Non-metallic mineral manufactures n.e.s.	7.31
67	Iron and steel	10.23
68	Non-ferrous metals	70.63
69	Manufactures of metals n.e.s.	3.19
<b>7</b>	<b>Machinery and transport equipment</b>	<b>100.00</b>
71-75	Power generating machinery and equipment	40.22
76-77	Telecommunications and electrical equipment n.e.s.	19.26
78	Road vehicles	30.96
79	Other transport equipment	9.56

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## APPENDIX INDEX STRUCTURES & WEIGHTING PATTERNS *continued*

### EXPORT PRICE INDEX GROUPED BY SITC (REVISION 3)(a)(b) *continued*

<i>SITC</i>	<i>Division to Sections</i>	<i>Divisions &amp; Sections to All Groups</i>
8	<b>100.00</b>	<b>2.96</b>
8	<b>Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	
81-82	4.92	0.15
81-82	Prefabricated buildings, building fittings and furniture	
83	0.59	0.02
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	
84	5.45	0.16
84	Articles of apparel and clothing	
85	1.36	0.04
85	Footwear	
87	16.14	0.48
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s.	
88	11.02	0.33
88	Photographic apparatus etc., and optical goods n.e.s., watches and clocks	
89	60.52	1.79
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles n.e.s.	
9	<b>100.00</b>	<b>7.41</b>
9	<b>Commodities and transactions n.e.s.</b>	
93	23.53	1.74
93	Special transactions and commodities n.e.s.	
96	1.52	0.11
96	Coin (other than gold coin), not being legal tender	
97	74.96	5.56
97	Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	

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