

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AUSTRALIA

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NOVEMBER IMPORTS

	\$m
Food and live animals	430
Beverages and tobacco	108
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	146
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	675
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	28
Chemical and related products n.e.s.	1 247
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1 382
Machinery and transport equipment	4 734
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1 569
Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in SITC	166
Total imports	10 485

NOTES

INTRODUCTION

This publication presents Australia's merchandise imports for 1 digit sections of the United Nations Standard International Trade Classification. The data are compiled from information submitted by importers or their agents to the Australian Customs Service.

REVISIONS

Imports of crude petroleum for January, June, July and August 2001 have been revised upwards by \$37 million, \$37 million, \$75 million and \$32 million respectively. The revisions are due to the inclusion of entries lodged late with the Australian Customs Service. Note that the revision to January falls outside the normal revision period.

DETAILED DATA

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