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# **INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE IMPORTS** AUSTRALIA

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## **MAY IMPORTS**

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Food and live animals	234
Beverages and tobacco	37
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	137
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	447
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	21
Chemical and related products n.e.s.	748
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	892
Machinery and transport equipment	2 991
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	898
Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in SITC	52
<b>Total imports</b>	<b>6 456</b>

## **NOTES**

### INTRODUCTION

This publication presents statistics of Australia's merchandise imports classified according to the broadest level (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.

### DETAILED DATA

More detailed merchandise imports data, including dissections by commodity and country of origin, are available from International Trade Client Services on Canberra 06 252 5400. This information can also be provided on subscription.

### FORTHCOMING ISSUE

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### FURTHER INFORMATION

For more details on the classifications used and basis of compilation, see the quarterly ABS publication *International Merchandise Trade* (Cat. No. 5422.0).

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## INQUIRIES

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