

# INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

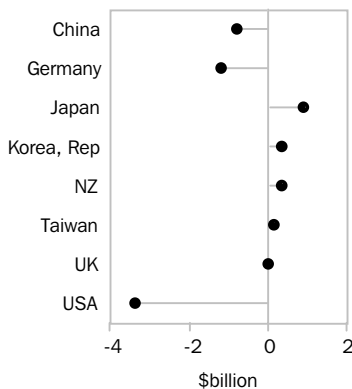
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## Exports and imports



## Balance by country September quarter 1998



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## SEPTEMBER QTR KEY FIGURES

	\$m	% change Jun Qtr 1998 to Sep Qtr 1998	% change Sep Qtr 1997 to Sep Qtr 1998
Merchandise exports	22 827	-0.2	6.1
Merchandise imports	25 633	8.8	17.5

## SEPTEMBER QTR KEY POINTS

### BY COUNTRY

- Japan, surplus up 2% to \$999 million
- New Zealand, surplus down 4% to \$472 million
- Germany, deficit up 12% to \$1,186 million
- USA, deficit up 11% to \$3,363 million

### BY COMMODITY

#### MAJOR EXPORTS

- Coal, up 2% to \$2,555 million
- Non monetary gold, up 2% to \$2,071 million
- Iron ore, up 7% to \$1,089 million
- Aluminium, up 5% to \$908 million

#### MAJOR IMPORTS

- Passenger motor vehicles, down 7% to \$1,603 million
- Data Processing machines, down 9% to \$1,095 million
- Petroleum oils (crude), up 27% to \$850 million

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# NOTES

## FORTHCOMING ISSUES

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## CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

From July 1998 there has been a change to the value threshold used in the statistical processing of import entries. Individual transaction lines (within an import consignment) where the value of the goods is less than \$250 are no longer processed and are therefore excluded from merchandise import statistics. For details of the impact of this change on merchandise imports statistics see the June quarter issue of this publication. Aggregate imports on a balance of payments basis are not affected by this change.



## REVISIONS

Revisions since the last issue of this publication have:

- increased total exports for the June quarter 1998 by \$26 million, and increased total exports for the year ended June 1998 by \$30 million;
- decreased total imports for the June quarter 1998 by \$13 million; and decreased total imports for the year ended June 1998 by \$15 million; and
- decreased the merchandise trade deficit for the June quarter 1998 by \$38 million; and decreased the merchandise trade deficit for the year ended June 1998 by \$45 million.

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



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# QUARTERLY ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS

## EXCESS OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTS OR IMPORTS

In the September quarter 1998 merchandise imports exceeded merchandise exports by \$2,806 million, a \$2,127 million increase in the merchandise trade deficit recorded in the June quarter 1998.

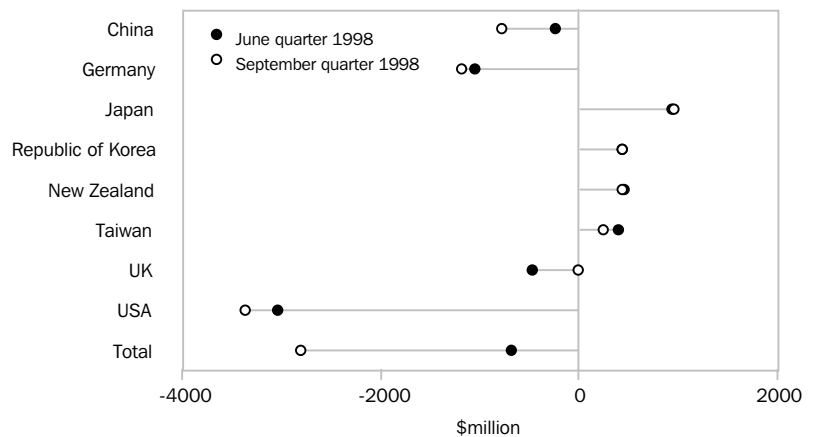
Australia's trade with its major trading partners produced surpluses with:

- Japan, up \$15 million (2%) to \$999 million;
- New Zealand, down \$19 million (4%) to \$472 million;
- Republic of Korea, down \$3 million (1%) to \$467 million;
- Taiwan, down \$161 million (36%) to \$281 million; and
- United Kingdom, up \$482 million (102%) to \$10 million.

Deficits were recorded with:

- USA, up \$335 million (11%) to \$3,363 million;
- Germany, up \$130 million (12%) to \$1,186 million; and
- China, up \$538 million (218%) to \$785 million.

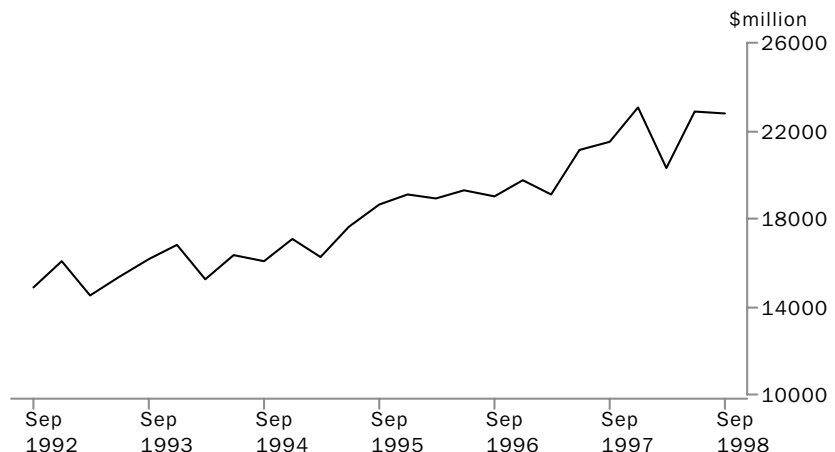
AUSTRALIA'S QUARTERLY TRADE WITH MAJOR COUNTRIES, Excess of exports (+) or imports (-)



## MERCHANDISE EXPORTS

Merchandise exports for September quarter 1998 were \$22,827 million, down \$49 million or 0.2% on the previous quarter.

MERCHANDISE EXPORTS



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

- *commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC*, up \$261 million (9%) to \$3,169 million (due mainly to increased exports of non-monetary gold);
- *mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials*, up \$126 million (3%) to \$3,929 million (due mainly to increased exports of petroleum, petroleum products and related materials);
- *food and live animals*, up \$82 million (2%) to \$3,821 million (due mainly to increased exports of meat and meat preparations; and vegetables and fruit); and
- *miscellaneous manufactured articles*, up \$76 million (10%) to \$862 million (due mainly to increased exports of professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.; and photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks);

Decreases were recorded for *machinery and transport equipment*, down \$501 million (17%) to \$2,528 million (due mainly to decreased exports of transport equipment); and *crude materials, inedible, except fuels*, down \$230 million (5%) to \$4,458 million (due mainly to decreased exports of textile fibres and their wastes).

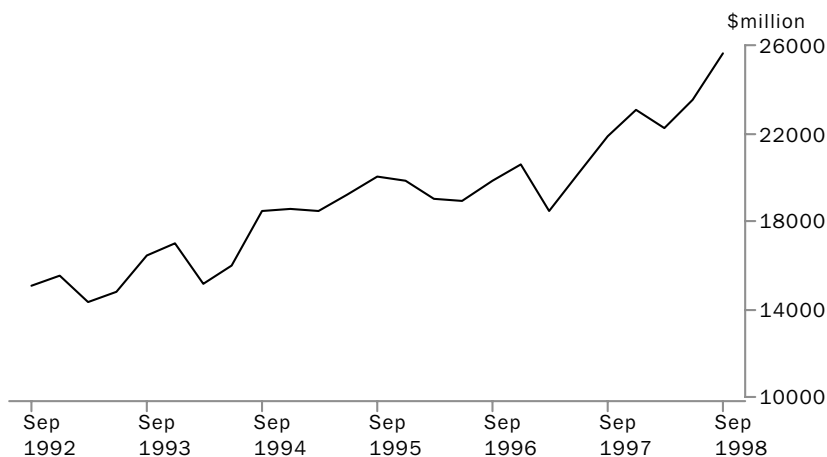
In the September quarter 1998 the major export destinations for Australia's goods were:

- Japan, up \$167 million (4%) to \$4,457 million;
- USA, down \$151 million (7%) to \$2,129 million;
- Republic of Korea, down \$66 million (4%) to \$1,609 million;
- United Kingdom, up \$614 million (64%) to \$1,570 million;
- New Zealand, up \$65 million (5%) to \$1,475 million;
- Taiwan, down \$59 million (5%) to \$1,073 million;
- China, up \$18 million (2%) to \$940 million; and
- Hong Kong, down \$86 million (9%) to \$840 million.

MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

Merchandise imports for September quarter 1998 were \$25,633 million, up \$2,079 million, or 9% on the previous quarter.

MERCHANDISE IMPORTS



MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

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

- *miscellaneous manufactured articles*, up \$770 million (23%) to \$4,174 million (due mainly to increased imports of miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.; articles of apparel and clothing accessories; and footwear);
- *machinery and transport equipment*, up \$613 million (6%) to \$11,680 million (due mainly to increased imports of transport equipment, excluding road vehicles; and general industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.; which were partly offset by decreased imports of office machines and automatic data processing machines);
- *manufactured goods classified chiefly by material*, up \$302 million (10%) to \$3,453 million (due mainly to increased imports of textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products; paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp; and manufactures of metals); and
- *mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials*, up \$185 million (21%) to \$1,076 million (due mainly to increased imports of petroleum, petroleum products and related materials).

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

- USA, up \$185 million (3%) to \$5,492 million;
- Japan, up \$152 million (5%) to \$3,458 million;
- China, up \$557 million (48%) to \$1,726 million;
- Germany, up \$148 million (10%) to \$1,561 million;
- UK, up \$131 million (9%) to \$1,560 million;
- Indonesia, up \$289 million (33%) to \$1,154 million;
- Republic of Korea, down \$63 million (5%) to \$1,142 million; and
- New Zealand, up \$84 million (9%) to \$1,003 million.

# ANNUAL ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS

## EXCESS OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTS OR IMPORTS

For the year ended September 1998 merchandise imports exceeded merchandise exports by \$5,413 million, a turnaround of \$5,937 million from the surplus recorded for the previous year.

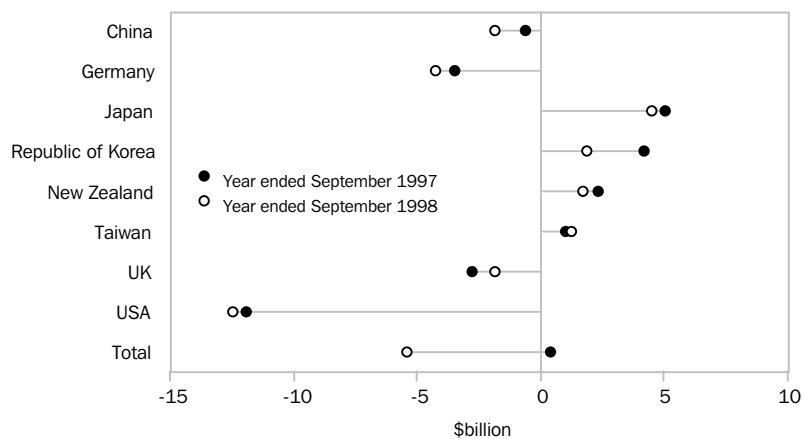
Australia's trade with its major trading partners produced deficits with:

- USA, up \$601 million (5%) to \$12,472 million;
- Germany, up \$728 million (21%) to \$4,208 million;
- China, up \$1,232 million (193%) to \$1,869 million; and
- UK, down \$945 million (34%) to \$1,842 million.

Surpluses were recorded with:

- Japan, down \$588 million (11%) to \$4,641 million;
- Republic of Korea, down \$2,372 million (54%) to \$2,010 million;
- New Zealand, down \$564 million (23%) to \$1,896 million; and
- Taiwan, up \$231 million (20%) to \$1,385 million.

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



## MERCHANDISE EXPORTS

Merchandise exports for the year ended September 1998 were \$89,069 million, up \$7,599 million or 9% on the previous year.

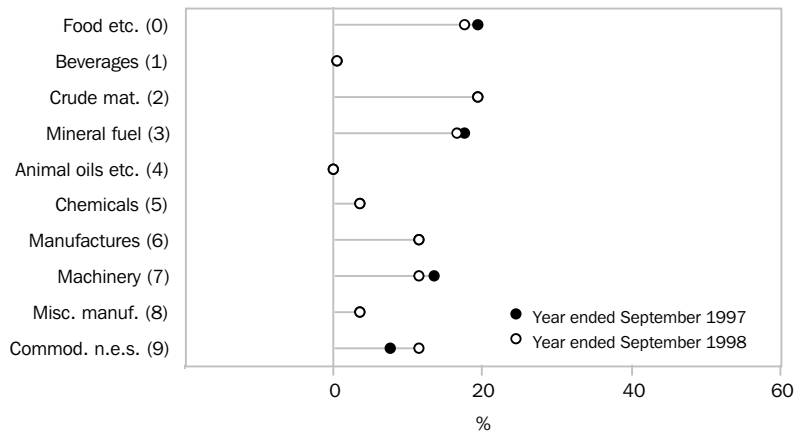
The exports commodity groups recording significant increases on the previous year were:

- *commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC*, up \$4,040 million (63%) to \$10,435 million (due mainly to increased exports of non-monetary gold);
- *crude materials, inedible, except fuels*, up \$1,622 million (10%) to \$17,918 million (due mainly to increased exports of metalliferous ores and metal scrap);
- *mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials*, up \$1,066 million (7%) to \$15,472 million (due mainly to increased exports of coal, coke and briquettes); and
- *manufactured goods classified chiefly by material*, up \$1,194 million (13%) to \$10,690 million (due mainly to increased exports of non-ferrous metals; and iron and steel).

MERCHANDISE EXPORTS

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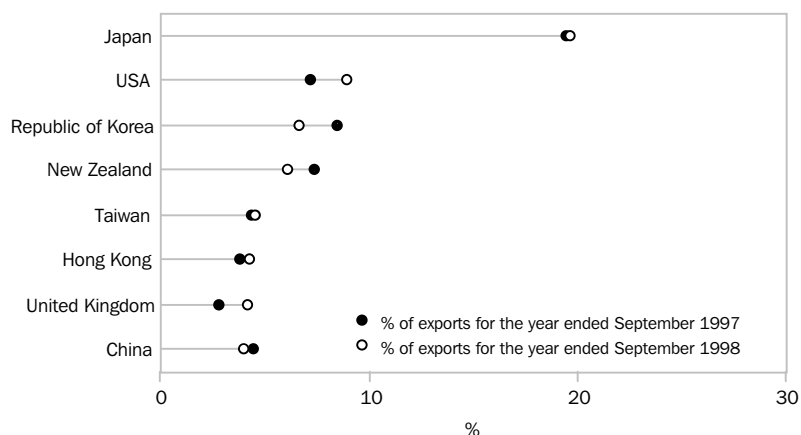
COMMODITY COMPOSITION (SITC SECTION) OF EXPORTS



Australia's major exports destinations for the year ended September 1998 were:

- Japan, up \$1,648 million (10%) to \$17,647 million;
- USA, up \$2,172 million (36%) to \$8,183 million;
- Republic of Korea, down \$1,000 million (14%) to \$6,108 million;
- New Zealand, down \$530 million (9%) to \$5,660 million;
- Taiwan, up \$525 million (14%) to \$4,273 million;
- Hong Kong, up \$689 million (21%) to \$3,997 million;
- United Kingdom, up \$1,505 million (62%) to \$3,936 million; and
- China, down \$52 million (1%) to \$3,765 million.

COUNTRY COMPOSITION OF EXPORTS



MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

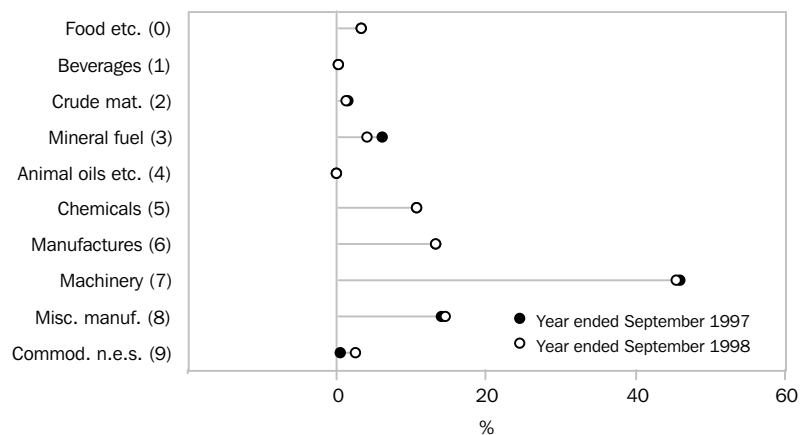
Merchandise imports for the year ended September 1998 were \$94,482 million, up \$13,536 million or 17% on the previous year.

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

- *machinery and transport equipment*, up \$5,939 million (16%) to \$43,514 million (due mainly to increased imports of road vehicles, including air-cushion vehicles; general industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.; and office machines and automatic data processing machines);
- *miscellaneous manufactured articles*, up \$2,463 million (21%) to \$14,228 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
- *commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC*, up \$2,170 million (296%) to \$2,903 million (due mainly to increased imports of non-monetary gold).

Decreases were recorded for *mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials*, down \$1,041 million (19%) to \$4,302 (due mainly to decreased imports of petroleum, petroleum products and related materials); and *animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes*, down \$17 million (6%) to \$255 million.

COMMODITY COMPOSITION (SITC SECTION) OF IMPORTS



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

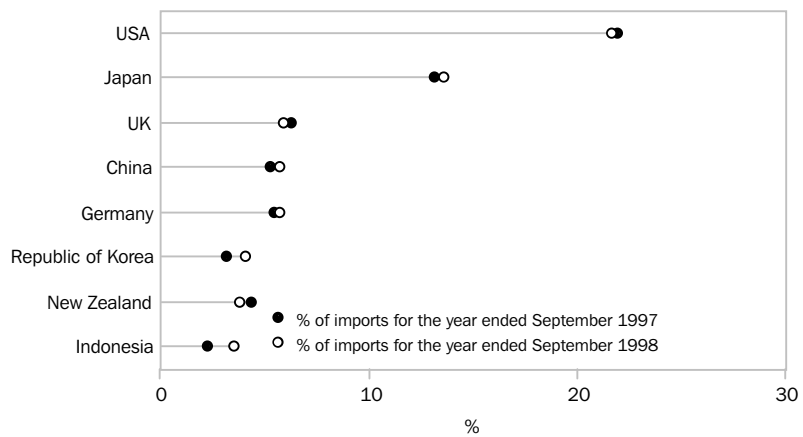
- USA, up \$2,773 million (16%) to \$20,655 million;
- Japan, up \$2,236 million (21%) to \$13,006 million;
- UK, up \$560 million (11%) to \$5,778 million;
- China, up \$1,180 million (26%) to \$5,634 million;
- Germany, up \$1,012 million (22%) to \$5,571 million;
- Republic of Korea, up \$1,372 million (50%) to \$4,098 million;
- New Zealand, up \$34 million (1%) to \$3,764 million; and
- Indonesia, up \$1,512 million (76%) to \$3,504 million.



MERCHANDISE IMPORTS

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COUNTRY COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS



BILATERAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS RECONCILIATION:  
AUSTRALIA AND THE EUROPEAN UNION, 1992 TO 1997

INTRODUCTION

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and the Statistical Office of the European Communities (Eurostat) have recently undertaken a bilateral reconciliation study covering merchandise trade flows between Australia and the European Union (EU). The reconciliation exercise was initiated by Eurostat and was carried out for the period 1992 to 1997. The ABS acknowledges Eurostat's significant contribution to this study.

If viewed as a single market, the EU is Australia's largest trading partner for imports and the second largest for exports. In the year ended December 1997 Australia's recorded imports from the EU were valued at \$20.3 billion, which represented 24% of Australia's total imports. The EU country which was the major source of Australia's imports for 1997 was Germany (\$4.7 billion). In the same period, Australia's recorded exports to the EU amounted to \$8.7 billion, accounting for 10% of Australia's total exports. The EU countries which were the main destinations for Australian exports were the United Kingdom and Italy (\$2.4 billion and \$1.6 billion respectively).

From the EU perspective, Australia is much less significant as a trading partner. In 1997, trade with Australia accounted for 2% of total EU exports and 1% of EU imports.

The purpose of this reconciliation was to identify and explain, to the extent possible, any discrepancies existing in the recording of trade flows between Australia and the EU.

DATA SOURCE

Detailed merchandise trade data, based on Customs documentation, were provided to Eurostat by the ABS for all calendar years from 1992 to 1997. These data were compared with data from Comext, the EU trade database.

Data exchanged were at the most detailed commodity level. Both the EU and Australia base their commodity classifications on the international Harmonised System, so at the 6 digit level the data could be expected to be comparable. However, Australia's method of concealing confidential data, which involves removing it from the relevant code and regrouping it in chapter 99, limits comparability at the commodity level.

The EU export data were valued on a 'free on board' (FOB) basis and their import data on a 'cost, insurance and freight' (CIF) basis while Australian data for both exports and imports were valued using an FOB based valuation method.

The currency used in the reconciliation study was United States dollars. Both Australia and the EU converted exports and import values to US dollars on the basis of an average annual exchange rate. The rates used to convert Australian data were \$US1 = \$A1.3616 for 1992, \$US1 = \$A1.4789 for 1993, \$US1 = \$A1.3736 for 1994, \$US1 = \$A1.3554 for 1995, \$US1 = \$A1.2830 for 1996 and \$US1 = \$A1.3479 for 1997. For the purposes of this article, all figures have been reconverted to Australian dollars.

COMPARISON BEFORE  
RECONCILIATION

*Northbound trade*

Table A shows the value of Australian exports to the EU and EU imports from Australia. The value of EU recorded imports exceeded that of Australian recorded exports by at least 10% in all years from 1992 to 1997 except 1993 and 1996. In 1993 the value of Australian recorded exports was 4% higher than the EU recorded imports in 1993, while in 1996 the EU recorded imports were 2% higher than Australian recorded exports.

EU import figures are expected to be significantly higher than Australian export figures since the cost of overseas freight and insurance is included in EU import values but excluded from Australian export values. Data for all years except 1993 and 1996 were broadly in line with this expectation.

COMPARISON BEFORE  
RECONCILIATION *continued*

TABLE A: NORTHBOUND TRADE

		1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Australian exports (FOB)	\$A m	7 711	7 476	7 247	8 007	8 381	8 678
EU imports (CIF)	\$A m	8 721	7 159	7 979	8 813	8 526	9 570
Discrepancy	\$A m	1 010	-316	732	806	145	892
	%	13	-4	10	10	2	10



NORTHBOUND TRADE



*Southbound trade*

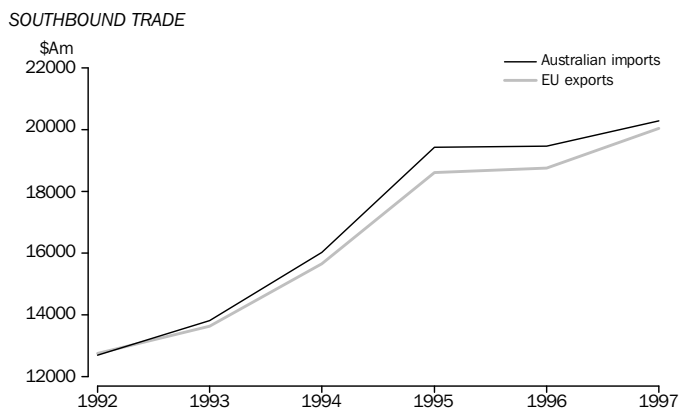
Table B shows the value of Australian imports from the EU and EU exports to Australia. For southbound trade both the EU and Australia use similar valuation methods. The percentage difference between EU exports and Australian imports ranged from close to nil in 1992 to 4% in 1995 and 1996. The stability and small magnitude of this difference suggests that for southbound trade the data are likely to be relatively reliable.

TABLE B: SOUTHBOUND TRADE

		1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Australian imports (FOB)	\$A m	12 698	13 818	16 026	19 436	19 482	20 291
EU exports (FOB)	\$A m	12 758	13 649	15 671	18 610	18 761	20 039
Discrepancy	\$A m	60	-170	-354	-827	-721	-252
	%	—	-1	-2	-4	-4	-1



COMPARISON BEFORE  
RECONCILIATION *continued*



*Balance of trade*

The balance of trade is shown in Table C. Both the Australian and the EU figures indicate the same trend, a steady increase in the surplus for the EU and the deficit for Australia until 1996, followed by a slight decrease for 1997. The maximum discrepancy amounts to about \$A1.6 billion in 1995.

TABLE C: BALANCE OF TRADE (BOT)

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m
Australian BOT with EU	-4 988	-6 343	-8 779	-11 429	-11 102	-11 614
EU BOT with Australia	4 037	6 489	7 692	9 797	10 236	10 469

*Summary*

In summary, the initial comparison of EU and Australian data indicated that the data line up fairly well, with the exception of 1993 and 1996 northbound data. It was decided therefore to limit the reconciliation work to northbound trade, with the main aim being to understand the underlying reasons for the distortions in the 1993 and 1996 data.

RECONCILIATION METHOD

The reconciliation for northbound trade was carried out by quantifying and adjusting for conceptual and methodological differences in recording and then investigating any major coverage or quality deficiencies in the statistics produced by each agency. Australia's main trading partners within the EU were also consulted by Eurostat to identify potential sources of discrepancies and to investigate particular discrepancies.

CONCEPTUAL AND  
METHODOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES

This section outlines possible sources of discrepancies and provides a description of the associated adjustments made. It was not possible to adjust for all the sources of discrepancies listed below. This was partly because of the short time available to complete the exercise, and partly because some data were either not available or could only be collated at high cost.

CONCEPTUAL AND  
METHODOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES  
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For more detailed information on the possible causes of differences between the exports of one country and the imports of the other, see the article *Bilateral Merchandise Trade Statistics Reconciliation: Australia and the United States of America, 1991 to 1994* which was published in the September Quarter 1996 issue of this publication.

TRADE SYSTEMS

The EU trade data are recorded on a 'special trade' basis, while Australian data are on a 'general trade' basis. The main difference between the two systems relates to the treatment of warehouse trade. When Australia declares an export to a warehouse located in the EU, no import is declared by the EU until the imported goods are released for free circulation or consumption. Discrepancies may therefore occur due to the time lag between warehouse inflows and outflows. In addition, if Australian goods exported to an EU warehouse were re-exported to a non-EU country the related import would never be declared by the EU. No information was available on these transactions, so no adjustment was made. However, the discrepancies arising from the use of differing trade systems are not likely to be significant.

COVERAGE

International trade statistics measure, in principle, all goods that add to (imports) or subtract from (exports) a nation's stock of material resources. In practice both Australia and the EU rely on data collected by national Customs agencies as the primary source of their statistics, and some goods that fall within the scope of merchandise trade are omitted as customs entries are not required.

After comparing the goods excluded from each country's statistics, the following were identified as possible causes of discrepancy in the data on northbound trade.

*Low value trade*

In Australia, individual transaction lines within an export consignment where the value of the goods is less than \$A500 are excluded. In addition, exported parcel post items valued under \$A2,000 are excluded. In the EU, the Member States apply a transaction threshold of 800 ECU (approximately \$A1,400) for both exports and imports. However, not all EU traders apply these thresholds; traders who declare their trade electronically often find it simpler to declare all transactions regardless of their value. No adjustments have been made for the differing thresholds as they are likely to have little influence on the overall discrepancies.

*Military material*

Most military goods are included in Australia's trade statistics, although certain materials under inter-governmental agreements for defence and similar projects are excluded. The EU Member States of France, Greece and Portugal excluded military goods from their trade statistics in the period covered by the reconciliation exercise. Military goods trade is included and supplied to Eurostat by the other 12 EU Member States, however this data cannot be released due to confidentiality restrictions. Trade in military goods was therefore unable to be reconciled, but is not likely to be significant.

*Repairs*

Australian merchandise trade figures exclude repair trade while the EU includes repair trade. Although nine of the EU Member States can separately identify data on repairs, this information was not available to Eurostat by partner country, so no adjustment was able to be made.

CONCEPTUAL AND  
METHODOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES  
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**VALUATION** In accordance with international recommendations, Australia values its exports on a 'free on board' (FOB) transactions value basis, while the EU values its imports on a 'cost, insurance and freight' (CIF) basis. As discussed briefly above, the difference between the two valuation methods is significant. The EU does not collect separate information on the freight and insurance component, so this was estimated for the purposes of the reconciliation using annual conversion rates calculated by the German Central Bank. As expected, the resulting valuation adjustments accounted for a large component of the northbound discrepancy. The following table shows the conversion rates used and the adjustments made.

TABLE D: VALUATION ADJUSTMENT

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Conversion rate FOB/CIF	0.917	0.916	0.918	0.916	0.917	0.917
<i>EU imports</i>						
Adjustment in \$A m	-728	-605	-658	-737	-708	-795

**COUNTRY CLASSIFICATION** Australia classifies its exports by country of final destination and the EU classifies its imports by country of origin. Classification of exports by country of final destination can be a difficult task as the exporter is sometimes not in a position to know whether the goods are to be further manufactured or otherwise consumed in the country to which they are consigned, or whether they will be traded with yet another country. When the country of final destination is not known at the time of exportation, the exporter declares the country of last shipment (country of consignment) in place of the country of final destination.

Exports and imports statistics can be expected to be symmetrical between trading partners only when exports are shipped directly from the country of origin to the country of final destination. Discrepancies occur when third countries are involved, as with re-exports of merchandise and goods traded through intermediate countries.

In the case of northbound trade, the following adjustments were applied to adjust for differences in country attribution principles.

*Australia's re-exports*

Goods which are imported by Australia and are subsequently re-exported to the EU should be recorded in Australia's exports to the EU but not in the EU's imports from Australia. Consequently, for data reconciliation purposes, the value of Australia's re-exports to the EU needs to be subtracted from Australia's export statistics. These adjustments are shown in the table below. If some of these transactions have been recorded in the EU's import statistics as originating in Australia, this adjustment may be overstated. It is also possible that some re-export transactions have not been recorded as such in Australia's export statistics. In this case the adjustment shown may understate the actual value of adjustment needed.

CONCEPTUAL AND  
METHODOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES  
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TABLE E: AUSTRALIAN RE-EXPORTS ADJUSTMENT

<i>Australian exports</i>	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Adjustment in \$A m	-400	-417	-327	-451	-394	-333

*EU indirect imports*

When the EU imports goods of Australian origin from a country other than Australia, they will be included in the EU's imports from Australia, but will generally not be included in Australia's exports to the EU. This assumes that the Australian exporter is unaware of the subsequent movement. However, in some instances the Australian exporter will be aware of the ultimate destination of the goods and these transactions will be included in Australia's exports to the EU. It is impossible to distinguish between these two circumstances.

In the reconciliation the EU indirect import adjustment which is shown in the table below has been calculated based on data provided by France, the Netherlands, Germany, Italy and the United Kingdom. These trading partners together account for approximately 80% of total EU imports from Australia. While the indirect imports of the remaining EU member states are excluded, this understatement of the adjustment is offset, at least to some degree, by the fact that some of the EU indirect imports would undoubtedly be already included in Australian exports to the EU.

TABLE F: EU INDIRECT IMPORTS ADJUSTMENT

<i>Australian exports</i>	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Adjustment in \$A m	101	133	120	137	242	185

The large increase in indirect imports in 1996 was mainly due to indirect imports declared by Italy. Most of the increase relates to non-monetary gold imported from Australia by Italy via Switzerland. In Australian statistics, this gold was shown as having been exported to Switzerland.

*EU re-imports*

Re-imports are goods originally exported which are imported to the originating country in either the same condition in which they were exported or after undergoing repair or minor operations which leave them essentially unchanged.

Goods of EU origin that have been re-imported into the EU from Australia are included in EU imports from Australia. In Australian statistics these goods would be recorded as re-exports to the EU, and would have been removed from the reconciliation as part of the re-export adjustment. A further adjustment is therefore necessary to ensure treatment of these transactions is comparable. The EU re-imports adjustments, which are presented below, were calculated using data from France, the Netherlands, Germany, Italy and the United Kingdom.

CONCEPTUAL AND  
METHODOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES  
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TABLE G: EU RE-IMPORTS ADJUSTMENT

<i>Australian exports</i>	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Adjustment in \$A m	215	195	240	245	275	315

*Rotterdam effect*

EU imports from third countries are attributed to the EU Member State where the goods are released for free circulation or consumption.

When Australia exports goods to the EU, the declared country of final destination may in some cases not coincide with the country where these goods are released for free circulation. Such cases result in discrepancies between Australia and the specific EU Member States involved. Eurostat noted that in the Australian statistics, exports to the EU are often attributed to the Member State where the port of discharge is located, rather than the Member State of final destination. This particular mismatch is referred to 'the Rotterdam effect' because of the importance of Rotterdam as a transit port. Such flows have a significant impact on the mirror results between Australia and the individual EU Member States but not between Australia and the EU as a whole.

**TIMING** The issue of timing can impact on the comparability of trade statistics. Given the geographic distance between Australia and the European Union, there is a time lag between when a shipment departs from Australia and when it arrives in an EU Member State. This time lag for sea cargo is approximately 31 days, which means that a shipment departing by sea from Australia in December would be recorded in different calendar years by Australia and the EU. In addition, the time necessary to establish the Customs declaration could increase this delay and in some cases the time lag could be about two months. In the reconciliation, the timing adjustment has been calculated by reassigning the portion of monthly EU trade shipped by sea from Australia to the previous calendar month (goods transported by sea account for 65% to 80% of total annual trade over the period from 1992 to 1997).

TABLE H: TIMING ADJUSTMENT

<i>EU imports</i>	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Adjustment in \$A m	-93	25	81	54	62	23

**EXCHANGE RATE** The conversion of reported data to a common currency by using an annual exchange rate can contribute to data discrepancies. Use of monthly rates should provide more accurate results. Adjustments for this were calculated by converting total monthly EU imports and Australian exports to US dollars using monthly rates and comparing the resulting annual totals with the reconciliation data which had been converted using annual rates. The adjustments applied were minor.



CONCEPTUAL AND  
METHODOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES  
*continued*

TABLE I: EXCHANGE RATE ADJUSTMENT

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<i>Australian exports</i>						
Adjustment in \$A m	-25	-4	7	-1	1	-28
<i>EU imports</i>						
Adjustment in \$A m	-41	13	-7	—	-6	-15

DOMESTIC TERRITORY DEFINITION

In carrying out a reconciliation study it is important to compare the definition of each partner territory.

Both Australia and the EU use the same definition for the Australian domestic territory in their trade statistics. However, differences exist in the definition of EU territory by Australia and the EU. Australia attributes trade with Andorra to France, with Greenland and Faeroe Islands to Denmark, and with San Marino and Vatican City to Italy. These territories are not, however, included in the EU statistical territory. In addition, the Canary Islands are considered by Australia to be part of Spain, whereas the EU has only included these islands since 1997. The EU has also included the French Overseas Departments (Reunion, Guadeloupe, Martinique and French Guyana) as part of the EU territory since 1997, but these are not included by Australia as part of France. The differences caused by the minor variations in definition of the EU are assumed to be negligible.

OTHER DIFFERENCES

Comparison of data at the commodity level identified discrepancies in ships and in non-monetary gold.

*Ships and ferries*

The reconciliation exercise highlighted several discrepancies in the recording of trade in ships and ferries. In 1992 the United Kingdom declared imports of ships from Australia valued at \$A105 million, while Australian exports under this code only amounted to \$A25 million. According to the information provided by the United Kingdom, these vessels have been declared by UK Customs. It may be the case that some of these did not cross the Australian frontier and as such were not all recorded in Australian exports.

TABLE J: SHIPS ADJUSTMENT—AUSTRALIA

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<i>Australian exports</i>						
Adjustment in \$A m	80	—	—	—	—	—

There are also a number of cases of Australian exports of ferries which were not registered in the EU statistics. In 1996 Australia recorded exports of four ferries to the United Kingdom and one to Germany which were not recorded in EU imports. The EU records an import of a ship only if it is purchased by a resident from a non-resident. It is quite possible that although these vessels are operating within the EU they are owned by foreign companies. Adjustments have been made to account for these ferries.

CONCEPTUAL AND  
METHODOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES  
*continued*

TABLE K: SHIPS ADJUSTMENT–EU

<i>EU imports</i>	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Adjustment in \$A m	—	—	—	—	236	—

*Non-monetary gold*

In accordance with UN recommendations, both Australia and the EU include trade in non-monetary gold in their statistics. However, Australian exports of non-monetary gold in unwrought and semi-manufactured forms to the United Kingdom were significantly higher than the United Kingdom's imports from Australia over the studied period. Based on an investigation conducted by Eurostat, this trade appears to be non-monetary gold. Consequently, an adjustment has been made to EU imports for the difference between Australian exports and the United Kingdom's imports of this gold.

TABLE L: GOLD ADJUSTMENT

<i>EU imports</i>	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Adjustment in \$A m	63	484	126	–4	119	—

COMPARISON AFTER  
RECONCILIATION

The results of the reconciliation study are shown in the tables below. All the adjustments to northbound trade discussed above have been applied to either the Australian export values (Table M) or the EU import values (Table N). It should be noted however that the adjustments do not represent revisions to previously published statistics. In most cases they merely reflect the conceptual and methodological differences underlying the compilation of the data.

TABLE M: AUSTRALIAN EXPORTS

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m
<b>Australian exports</b>	7 711	7 476	7 247	8 007	8 381	8 678
<b>Adjustments</b>						
Country classification						
Australian re-exports	–400	–417	–327	–451	–394	–333
EU indirect imports	101	133	120	137	242	185
EU re-imports	215	195	240	245	275	315
Exchange rate	–25	–4	7	–1	1	–28
Ships	80	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Adjusted Australian exports</b>	7 682	7 383	7 286	7 937	8 504	8 815

COMPARISON AFTER  
RECONCILIATION *continued*

TABLE N: EU IMPORTS

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m
<b>EU imports</b>	8 721	7 159	7 979	8 813	8 526	9 570
<b>Adjustments</b>						
Valuation	-728	-605	-658	-737	-708	-795
Timing	-93	25	81	54	62	23
Exchange rate	-41	13	-7	—	-6	-15
Ships	—	—	—	—	236	—
Non monetary gold	63	484	126	-4	119	—
<b>Adjusted EU imports</b>	7 922	7 077	7 520	8 124	8 228	8 782

For each of the years studied, the CIF/FOB adjustment on EU imports was the most significant adjustment, accounting for approximately 8% of the total value of EU imports.

The residual discrepancy for northbound trade is shown in Table O—this is the discrepancy that remains between the two sets of figures after all the conceptual and other adjustments have been made. For the years 1992, 1994, 1995 and 1997 the residual discrepancies are significantly lower than the initial discrepancies shown in Table A. For 1993 there is no change in the residual discrepancy and for 1996 the residual discrepancy is -3%, compared with an initial discrepancy of +2%.

TABLE O: NORTHBOUND TRADE, After Reconciliation

		1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Adjusted Australian exports	\$A m	7 682	7 383	7 286	7 937	8 504	8 815
Adjusted EU imports	\$A m	7 922	7 077	7 520	8 124	8 228	8 782
Discrepancy	\$A m	240	-306	235	187	-276	-34
	%	3	-4	3	2	-3	—

COMPARISON AFTER RECONCILIATION *continued*

NORTHBOUND TRADE, After Reconciliation

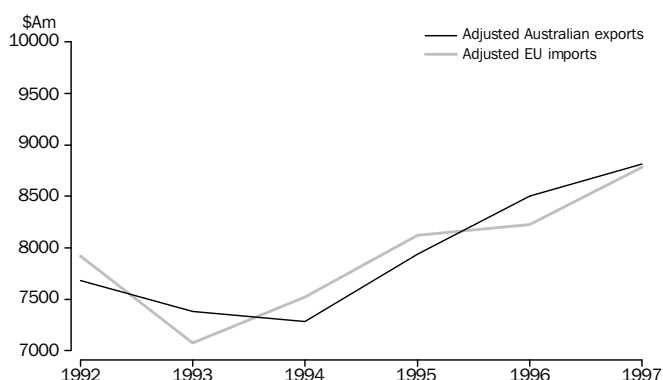


Table P shows the balance of trade after making the adjustments to the northbound data. The effect of the reconciliation on the trade balances was relatively small. After reconciliation, the maximum discrepancy is \$A1.0 billion, in 1995. Readers should note that there has been no investigation into discrepancies in recorded southbound trade, because they were relatively minor. However, such investigations may have resulted in smaller balance of trade discrepancies.

TABLE P: BALANCE OF TRADE (BOT)

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m	\$A m
Adjusted Australian BOT with EU	-5 016	-6 436	-8 740	-11 499	-10 979	-11 476
Adjusted EU BOT with Australia	4 836	6 572	8 151	10 485	10 533	11 258

CONCLUSION

The reconciliation study has demonstrated that a significant part of the 'asymmetry' in the EU-Australia bilateral merchandise trade data results from the conceptual factors underlying the compilation of the data. As previously indicated, the adjustments presented in the reconciliation do not represent revisions to the official published statistics of either trading partner, nor do they imply in general, errors in either partner's published statistics.

For southbound trade, the initial discrepancies were stable and small in magnitude. Reconciliation work therefore concentrated on northbound trade where the initial discrepancy ranged from -4 to +13% of Australian exports. After adjustments the residual discrepancy ranged from -4 to +3% of Australia's exports. The greatest contributor to the narrowing of the gap was the adjustment relating to insurance and freight, which are included in published EU imports statistics, but not in Australian exports. The other major contributing factor for calendar years 1993 and 1996 were several adjustments made to account for transactions which had not been included in the EU statistics.

CONCLUSION *continued*

The small magnitude of the residual discrepancy encourages a reasonable level of confidence in the accuracy of Australian and EU data, at least at the aggregate level. At detailed levels it is more difficult to make comparisons. This is partly because of Australia's treatment of confidential data which can affect comparability at all levels of the commodity classification; and partly because of the Rotterdam effect which makes it difficult to compare Australian and EU data by EU Member State.

Further reconciliation studies with the EU are not planned at this stage. However, more targeted reconciliation studies may be considered based on specific user requests.

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## 1

## 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>
<b>1995-96</b>	3 781	1 152	16 429	6 615	5 609	3 452	2 829	4 619	<b>76 005</b>
<b>1996-97</b>	3 584	1 058	15 377	7 134	6 214	3 620	2 357	5 526	<b>78 932</b>
<b>1997-98</b>	3 874	1 243	17 587	6 397	5 661	4 179	3 040	7 793	<b>87 764</b>
<b>1996</b>									
December	906	292	3 880	1 977	1 479	801	664	1 447	<b>19 767</b>
<b>1997</b>									
March	862	261	3 794	1 537	1 365	948	462	1 260	<b>19 077</b>
June	999	270	3 928	1 696	1 870	1 020	631	1 566	<b>21 104</b>
September	1 049	255	4 398	1 898	1 476	979	674	1 739	<b>21 522</b>
December	1 066	324	4 693	1 632	1 468	1 111	667	1 774	<b>23 084</b>
<b>1998</b>									
March	836	306	4 206	1 192	1 307	956	742	2 000	<b>20 283</b>
June	922	358	4 290	1 675	1 410	1 132	956	2 280	<b>22 876</b>
September	940	375	4 457	1 609	1 475	1 073	1 570	2 129	<b>22 827</b>

## 2

## 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>
<b>1995-96</b>	57 617	11 717	35 895	8 464
<b>1996-97</b>	59 330	12 257	38 621	8 171
<b>1997-98</b>	63 601	11 502	40 137	10 242
<b>1996</b>				
December	14 807	2 956	9 458	2 208
<b>1997</b>				
March	13 973	2 899	9 612	1 914
June	15 870	3 353	10 362	2 172
September	16 399	3 271	10 400	2 129
December	17 023	3 404	11 065	2 462
<b>1998</b>				
March	14 398	2 287	8 810	2 490
June	15 781	2 540	9 862	3 161
September	15 696	2 512	9 920	3 410

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

## 3

## 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>
<b>1995-96</b>	4 010	4 862	10 816	2 293	3 591	2 585	4 882	17 545	<b>77 792</b>
<b>1996-97</b>	4 203	4 558	10 241	2 550	3 685	2 522	5 182	17 642	<b>78 998</b>
<b>1997-98</b>	5 303	5 207	12 660	3 759	3 723	2 809	5 593	19 832	<b>90 670</b>
<b>1996</b>									
December	1 122	1 205	2 552	627	1 017	675	1 290	4 546	<b>20 571</b>
<b>1997</b>									
March	958	1 024	2 463	585	845	563	1 229	3 962	<b>18 482</b>
June	978	1 133	2 643	712	906	643	1 326	4 704	<b>20 073</b>
September	1 395	1 197	3 112	802	962	714	1 374	4 670	<b>21 821</b>
December	1 408	1 315	3 191	868	988	733	1 393	4 839	<b>23 042</b>
<b>1998</b>									
March	1 331	1 282	3 052	884	854	672	1 397	5 016	<b>22 252</b>
June	1 169	1 413	3 306	1 205	919	690	1 429	5 307	<b>23 554</b>
September	1 726	1 561	3 458	1 142	1 003	793	1 560	5 492	<b>25 633</b>

## 4

## 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>
<b>1995-96</b>	52 008	7 372	21 702	19 388
<b>1996-97</b>	52 447	8 300	23 317	19 666
<b>1997-98</b>	61 844	10 489	28 109	21 825
<b>1996</b>				
December	13 767	2 271	6 134	5 046
<b>1997</b>				
March	12 121	1 914	5 470	4 633
June	13 519	2 167	5 933	4 870
September	14 772	2 336	6 805	5 193
December	15 592	2 746	7 256	5 595
<b>1998</b>				
March	15 203	2 576	6 843	5 398
June	16 278	2 830	7 205	5 639
September	17 742	3 218	8 402	6 074

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



## 5

## 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
<b>1995-96</b>	- 229	-3 710	5 613	4 322	2 017	867	-2 053	-12 926	-1 787
<b>1996-97</b>	- 619	-3 500	5 136	4 584	2 528	1 098	-2 825	-12 116	-66
<b>1997-98</b>	-1 430	-3 964	4 927	2 638	1 938	1 370	-2 553	-12 039	-2 906
<b>1996</b>									
December	- 216	- 913	1 327	1 349	462	126	- 625	-3 100	- 803
<b>1997</b>									
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	- 299
December	- 342	- 990	1 502	764	480	378	- 726	-3 065	42
<b>1998</b>									
March	- 495	- 977	1 155	308	453	284	- 655	-3 016	-1 970
June	- 247	-1 056	984	470	491	442	- 472	-3 028	- 679
September	- 785	-1 186	999	467	472	281	10	-3 363	-2 806

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

## 6

## 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
<b>1995-96</b>	5 610	4 345	14 193	-10 924
<b>1996-97</b>	6 884	3 957	15 304	-11 495
<b>1997-98</b>	1 757	1 013	12 028	-11 583
<b>1996</b>				
December	1 040	685	3 324	-2 839
<b>1997</b>				
March	1 852	985	4 142	-2 718
June	2 351	1 186	4 429	-2 698
September	1 627	935	3 595	-3 063
December	1 432	658	3 809	-3 133
<b>1998</b>				
March	- 805	- 289	1 967	-2 908
June	- 497	- 291	2 657	-2 478
September	-2 045	- 706	1 517	-2 663

(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	JUN QTR 1998		SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Algeria	16	—	12	—	24	—	49	1
Angola	1	—	—	—	5	—	2	—
Argentina	25	15	40	19	111	97	116	78
Australia (Re-imports)	—	101	—	92	—	265	—	348
Austria	11	115	13	127	20	394	39	490
Bahamas	1	1	3	3	2	2	5	8
Bahrain(a)	29	10	22	3	86	29	113	24
Bangladesh	55	14	72	8	256	47	287	46
Barbados	—	—	1	—	3	1	4	1
Belgium-Luxembourg	400	189	268	160	921	747	1 200	714
Bolivia	1	—	—	1	2	2	2	6
Brazil	103	65	133	90	332	365	439	343
Brunei	12	—	11	—	59	—	48	5
Bulgaria	12	2	19	2	12	7	41	7
Cambodia	2	—	5	—	13	2	13	1
Canada	379	408	344	428	1 074	1 248	1 335	1 567
Cayman Islands	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—
Chile	45	10	77	12	168	75	215	75
China	922	1 169	940	1 726	3 817	4 454	3 765	5 634
Christmas Island	3	1	3	3	16	5	14	7
Cocos (Keeling) Island	1	—	1	—	3	3	5	—
Colombia	5	5	3	6	64	22	24	21
Cook Islands	1	—	2	—	5	1	6	1
Costa Rica	—	2	—	3	2	8	2	10
Cote d'Ivoire	1	3	—	3	1	5	2	11
Croatia	1	2	1	2	7	7	9	8
Cuba	—	—	2	1	2	4	3	4
Cyprus	3	1	3	1	12	3	10	4
Czech Republic	20	12	16	15	36	50	64	53
Denmark	160	104	18	116	101	384	205	419
Dominican Republic	2	1	3	—	2	1	8	2
Ecuador	3	1	4	—	24	2	20	2
Egypt(a)	114	3	83	4	493	13	369	13
Ethiopia	10	—	10	1	2	2	21	2
Fiji	129	76	135	93	540	271	517	323
Finland	65	153	56	159	283	660	274	665
France	234	517	233	580	853	1 896	896	2 159
French Polynesia	29	1	32	1	100	7	123	4
Germany	358	1 413	375	1 561	1 079	4 559	1 363	5 571
Ghana	10	2	14	2	78	6	51	7
Greece	29	27	12	21	43	88	63	93
Guam	4	—	4	—	17	—	16	—
Guatemala	2	1	3	2	7	4	7	5
Hong Kong	926	235	840	340	3 308	945	3 997	1 087
Hungary	3	15	3	21	5	40	16	63
Iceland(a)	3	2	1	1	4	6	6	4
India	617	163	633	197	1 557	594	2 104	700
Indonesia	488	865	649	1 154	3 359	1 992	2 470	3 504
Iran	91	7	62	7	847	27	305	26
Iraq	54	—	77	—	199	4	340	12
Ireland	22	204	20	242	52	571	73	887
Israel	39	97	51	108	100	312	148	398
Italy	412	692	452	767	1 469	2 316	1 820	2 736
Jamaica	5	—	4	—	10	1	15	1
Japan	4 290	3 306	4 457	3 458	15 999	10 770	17 647	13 006
Jordan	23	7	21	13	73	34	61	34

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Country *continued*

Country	JUN QTR 1998		SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP 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	18	4	9	4	53	13	36	19
Kiribati	6	—	7	—	22	1	23	1
Korea, Republic of	1 675	1 205	1 609	1 142	7 108	2 726	6 108	4 098
Kuwait	46	23	66	13	170	113	210	84
Laos	—	—	2	—	8	—	3	—
Lebanon	3	1	10	1	38	5	33	6
Libya	16	—	6	—	59	—	105	—
Lithuania	1	—	4	—	6	1	9	1
Macau	3	2	3	2	12	7	11	9
Madagascar	—	—	3	—	4	1	4	1
Malawi	—	1	2	1	2	6	3	6
Malaysia	440	655	484	668	2 289	2 016	1 992	2 518
Maldives	1	—	1	—	3	—	5	—
Malta	3	1	3	1	9	5	14	5
Marianas Northern	1	—	1	—	3	—	3	1
Marshall Islands	1	—	2	—	3	—	5	—
Mauritius	22	—	27	—	92	2	96	2
Mexico	62	98	76	79	134	186	254	300
Micronesia Fed States of	2	—	3	—	14	—	12	—
Morocco	3	3	6	8	29	13	37	20
Mozambique	11	—	2	—	17	—	18	—
Myanmar	3	3	4	2	18	9	23	14
Namibia	—	1	—	1	2	7	2	6
Nauru	6	3	3	2	21	10	25	11
Nepal	2	1	2	—	6	2	7	2
Netherlands	252	211	227	225	587	832	911	861
Netherlands Antilles	—	1	2	1	3	1	8	3
New Caledonia	48	9	45	13	205	43	183	44
New Zealand	1 410	919	1 475	1 003	6 190	3 730	5 660	3 764
Nigeria	3	—	2	—	20	58	11	—
Norfolk Island	4	—	4	—	16	—	15	1
Norway	42	56	40	71	141	185	152	244
Oman	40	—	27	11	156	83	172	12
Pakistan	65	39	91	42	433	146	393	172
Palau	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
Panama	4	—	1	—	2	1	7	—
Papua New Guinea	243	176	264	163	1 266	1 108	1 102	730
Peru	26	1	33	7	40	22	87	14
Philippines	233	94	321	109	1 280	316	1 149	418
Poland	10	11	8	9	75	29	37	91
Portugal	8	32	13	35	28	105	39	127
Puerto Rico	1	17	2	24	7	282	8	64
Qatar	19	54	13	36	47	93	62	169
Romania	18	2	27	2	112	9	101	7
Russian Federation	65	5	62	5	113	24	247	18
Samoa	8	15	8	14	39	63	33	53
Samoa (American)	6	1	4	1	10	5	19	6
Saudi Arabia	119	123	262	132	478	879	640	564
Seychelles	3	—	3	—	6	1	10	—
Singapore	930	683	629	665	3 575	2 625	3 392	2 661
Slovak Republic	2	1	2	2	3	3	5	5
Slovenia	3	7	1	9	10	26	7	31
Solomon Islands	23	1	25	1	88	4	100	6
South Africa	267	152	248	130	985	418	1 094	587
Spain	206	175	103	183	346	472	541	692
Sri Lanka	36	18	59	22	177	63	209	78
Sudan	10	—	8	—	30	—	34	—
Sweden	47	379	52	338	209	1 499	163	1 512
Switzerland	465	241	179	265	255	876	1 186	999
Syria	2	—	1	—	5	1	8	1

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Country *continued*

Country	JUN QTR 1998		SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP 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	1 132	690	1 073	793	3 748	2 594	4 273	2 888
Tanzania	14	2	16	1	34	6	44	5
Thailand	315	357	318	419	1 664	1 248	1 309	1 555
Tonga	4	—	4	—	18	1	15	1
Trinidad and Tobago	9	—	9	—	12	2	32	1
Tunisia	1	—	—	9	3	8	2	14
Turkey	207	26	106	25	464	87	581	106
Uganda	2	2	1	1	3	6	4	6
Ukraine	1	1	—	4	6	2	10	5
United Arab Emirates	260	96	319	85	754	771	1 174	414
United Kingdom	956	1 429	1 570	1 560	2 431	5 218	3 936	5 778
United States of America	2 280	5 307	2 129	5 492	6 011	17 882	8 183	20 655
United States Virgin Islands	—	—	1	—	—	9	9	3
Uruguay	2	1	4	2	5	4	12	4
Vanuatu	12	—	11	—	41	1	45	1
Venezuela	4	—	2	—	6	2	12	2
Viet Nam	118	173	93	201	227	482	356	695
Wallis and Futuna Islands	2	—	2	—	6	—	6	—
Yemen	19	—	26	—	126	—	134	—
Zimbabwe	3	2	9	3	32	17	41	16
Zone of Coop A-Timor Gap	54	—	13	—	94	—	103	—
Other Countries	46	7	42	27	59	78	168	46
Destination or Origin Unknown	—	15	—	15	1	53	—	58
International Waters	85	—	—	—	68	—	140	—
No Country Details(a)	111	—	111	—	321	—	333	—
Ship and aircraft stores	128	—	114	—	618	—	542	—
Unidentified(b)	—	—	35	—	—	—	35	—
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>22 876</b>	<b>23 554</b>	<b>22 827</b>	<b>25 633</b>	<b>81 470</b>	<b>80 946</b>	<b>89 069</b>	<b>94 482</b>

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

(b) Includes \$35 million of exports for September 1998 which cannot yet be allocated by country.

## EXPORTS AND IMPORTS, By Major Country Group

Country group	JUN QTR 1998		SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>Asia Pacific Economic</b>								
<b>Co-operation (APEC)</b>	<b>15 781</b>	<b>16 278</b>	<b>15 696</b>	<b>17 742</b>	<b>61 049</b>	<b>54 178</b>	<b>62 898</b>	<b>64 814</b>
Australia (Re-imports)	—	101	—	92	—	265	—	348
Brunei(a)	12	—	11	—	59	—	48	5
Canada	379	408	344	428	1 074	1 248	1 335	1 567
Chile	45	10	77	12	168	75	215	75
China	922	1 169	940	1 726	3 817	4 454	3 765	5 634
Hong Kong	926	235	840	340	3 308	945	3 997	1 087
Indonesia(a)	488	865	649	1 154	3 359	1 992	2 470	3 504
Japan	4 290	3 306	4 457	3 458	15 999	10 770	17 647	13 006
Korea, Republic of	1 675	1 205	1 609	1 142	7 108	2 726	6 108	4 098
Malaysia(a)	440	655	484	668	2 289	2 016	1 992	2 518
Mexico	62	98	76	79	134	186	254	300
New Zealand	1 410	919	1 475	1 003	6 190	3 730	5 660	3 764
Papua New Guinea	243	176	264	163	1 266	1 108	1 102	730
Philippines(a)	233	94	321	109	1 280	316	1 149	418
Singapore(a)	930	683	629	665	3 575	2 625	3 392	2 661
Taiwan	1 132	690	1 073	793	3 748	2 594	4 273	2 888
Thailand(a)	315	357	318	419	1 664	1 248	1 309	1 555
United States of America	2 280	5 307	2 129	5 492	6 011	17 882	8 183	20 655
<b>Association of South East</b>								
<b>Asian Nations (ASEAN)</b>	<b>2 540</b>	<b>2 830</b>	<b>2 512</b>	<b>3 218</b>	<b>12 479</b>	<b>8 688</b>	<b>10 742</b>	<b>11 371</b>
Brunei(a)	12	—	11	—	59	—	48	5
Indonesia(a)	488	865	649	1 154	3 359	1 992	2 470	3 504
Laos	—	—	2	—	8	—	3	—
Malaysia(a)	440	655	484	668	2 289	2 016	1 992	2 518
Myanmar	3	3	4	2	18	9	23	14
Philippines(a)	233	94	321	109	1 280	316	1 149	418
Singapore(a)	930	683	629	665	3 575	2 625	3 392	2 661
Thailand(a)	315	357	318	419	1 664	1 248	1 309	1 555
Viet Nam	118	173	93	201	227	482	356	695
<b>European Union (EU)</b>								
<b>Austria</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>490</b>
Belgium-Luxembourg	400	189	268	160	921	747	1 200	714
Denmark	160	104	18	116	101	384	205	419
Finland	65	153	56	159	283	660	274	665
France	234	517	233	580	853	1 896	896	2 159
Germany	358	1 413	375	1 561	1 079	4 559	1 363	5 571
Greece	29	27	12	21	43	88	63	93
Ireland	22	204	20	242	52	571	73	887
Italy	412	692	452	767	1 469	2 316	1 820	2 736
Netherlands	252	211	227	225	587	832	911	861
Portugal	8	32	13	35	28	105	39	127
Spain	206	175	103	183	346	472	541	692
Sweden	47	379	52	338	209	1 499	163	1 512
United Kingdom	956	1 429	1 570	1 560	2 431	5 218	3 936	5 778

(a) Also included in other country groups.

## EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES

Commodity description and SITC code	Sep Qtr 1997		Jun Qtr 1998		Sep Qtr 1998	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	\$m	%
<b>Food and live animals(a)</b>						
Sheep and goats, live (001.21,22)	53	0.2	51	0.2	42	0.2
Meat of bovine animals fresh, chilled or frozen (011.11-22)	656	3.0	722	3.2	757	3.3
Meat of sheep and goats fresh, chilled or frozen (012.11-13)	140	0.7	156	0.7	149	0.7
Milk and cream and milk products other than butter or cheese (022)	211	1.0	263	1.2	277	1.2
Cheese and curd (024)	108	0.5	178	0.8	166	0.7
Crustaceans, molluscs, and aquatic invertebrates (except canned or bottled) (036)	158	0.7	245	1.1	173	0.8
Wheat (including spelt) and meslin, unmilled (041)	778	3.6	872	3.8	886	3.9
Rice (042)(a)	91	0.4	83	0.4	72	0.3
Barley, unmilled (043)	128	0.6	162	0.7	160	0.7
Sorghum, unmilled (045.30)	19	0.1	16	0.1	12	0.1
Fruit and nuts, fresh, dried or preserved and fruit preparations (including fruit and vegetable juices) (057-059)(a)	187	0.9	167	0.7	196	0.9
<b>Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)</b>						
Hides and skins, bovine and equine, raw (211.11-13,20)	64	0.3	55	0.2	68	0.3
Skins, sheep and lamb, with wool on, raw (211.60)	58	0.3	78	0.3	56	0.2
Wood, in chips or particles (246.11,15)	154	0.7	170	0.7	132	0.6
Cotton (other than linters), not carded or combed (263.10)	492	2.3	557	2.4	537	2.4
Wool, greasy (including fleece-washed wool) (268.11,19)	575	2.7	427	1.9	359	1.6
Wool, other, not carded or combed (268.21,29)	208	1.0	148	0.6	126	0.5
Iron ore concentrates and agglomerates (excluding roasted iron pyrites) (281.50, 60)	953	4.4	1 014	4.4	1 089	4.8
Copper ores and concentrates (283.10)	175	0.8	235	1.0	220	1.0
Nickel oxide sinters (284.22)	60	0.3	59	0.3	48	0.2
Alumina (aluminium oxide) (285.20)	644	3.0	745	3.3	725	3.2
Uranium and thorium ores and concentrates (286.10,20)	59	0.3	64	0.3	30	0.1
Zinc ores and concentrates (287.50)	136	0.6	156	0.7	152	0.7
Ores and concentrates of molybdenum, niobium, titanium etc. (287.81-85)(a)	132	0.6	164	0.7	129	0.6
<b>Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>						
Coal, whether or not pulverised but not agglomerated (321)	2 307	10.7	2 512	11.0	2 555	11.2
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude (333)	604	2.8	452	2.0	508	2.2
Petroleum products (334,335)	467	2.2	409	1.8	400	1.8
Gas, natural and manufactured (34)	475	2.2	424	1.9	462	2.0
<b>Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)</b>						
Plastics in primary and non-primary forms (57,58)(a)	126	0.6	101	0.4	107	0.5
<b>Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>						
Iron and steel (67)	368	1.7	516	2.3	451	2.0
Copper and copper alloys, unwrought (excluding master alloys) (682.11,12,14)	105	0.5	103	0.5	83	0.4
Nickel and nickel alloys, unwrought (683.11,12)	106	0.5	106	0.5	93	0.4
Aluminium (684)	762	3.5	866	3.8	908	4.0
Lead and lead alloys, unwrought (685.11,12)	101	0.5	78	0.3	84	0.4
Zinc and zinc alloys, unwrought (686.11,12)	97	0.4	101	0.4	135	0.6
<b>Machinery and transport equipment</b>						
Power generating machinery and equipment (71)	297	1.4	198	0.9	203	0.9
Machinery specialised for particular industries (72)	314	1.5	285	1.2	330	1.4
Office machines and automatic data processing machines (75)	419	1.9	405	1.8	370	1.6
Cars and other road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles) (78)	453	2.1	384	1.7	525	2.3
Aircraft and associated equipment; spacecraft (including satellites) and spacecraft launch vehicles; and parts thereof (792)	174	0.8	241	1.1	206	0.9
<b>Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>						
Photographic and cinematographic supplies (882)	130	0.6	92	0.4	111	0.5
<b>Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC</b>						
Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates) (971)	1 165	5.4	2 035	8.9	2 071	9.1
<b>Total major commodities(a)</b>	<b>14 707</b>	<b>68.3</b>	<b>16 095</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>16 163</b>	<b>70.8</b>
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 522</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>22 876</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>22 827</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(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	Sep Qtr 1997		Jun Qtr 1998		Sep Qtr 1998	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	\$m	%
<b>Food and live animals</b>						
Fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof (03)	144	0.7	169	0.7	160	0.6
<b>Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>						
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude (333)	865	4.0	669	2.8	850	3.3
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (other than crude) (334)	234	1.1	138	0.6	141	0.5
<b>Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)</b>						
Organic chemicals (51)(a)	497	2.3	490	2.1	507	2.0
Inorganic chemicals (52)(a)	141	0.6	201	0.9	195	0.8
Medical and pharmaceutical products (54)	589	2.7	737	3.1	785	3.1
Plastics in primary and non-primary forms (57, 58)	448	2.1	453	1.9	470	1.8
Chemical materials and products, n.e.s. (59)	265	1.2	303	1.3	293	1.1
<b>Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>						
Rubber tyres, interchangeable tyre treads, tyre flaps and inner tubes for wheels of all kinds (625)	176	0.8	224	1.0	227	0.9
Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard (64)	488	2.2	499	2.1	571	2.2
Textile yarn (651)	129	0.6	150	0.6	145	0.6
Woven fabrics of cotton or man-made textile material (excluding narrow or special fabrics) (652, 653)	197	0.9	166	0.7	211	0.8
Clay and refractory construction materials and mineral manufactures, n.e.s. (662, 663)	121	0.6	145	0.6	150	0.6
Glass, glassware and pottery (664, 665, 666)	133	0.6	128	0.5	155	0.6
Iron and steel (67)	386	1.8	400	1.7	405	1.6
Manufactures of base metals n.e.s. (699)	243	1.1	234	1.0	246	1.0
<b>Machinery and transport equipment(a)</b>						
Internal combustion piston engines, and parts thereof n.e.s (713)	248	1.1	232	1.0	309	1.2
Tractors, track-laying and wheeled (722)	111	0.5	149	0.6	153	0.6
Civil engineering and contractors' plant and equipment (723)	275	1.3	345	1.5	321	1.3
Machinery and equipment specialised for particular industries and parts thereof (728)	271	1.2	300	1.3	266	1.0
Pumps, centrifuges, filtering or purifying apparatus and parts thereof (743)	234	1.1	257	1.1	327	1.3
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof (752)	1 047	4.8	1 202	5.1	1 095	4.3
Parts and accessories for office and automatic data processing machines (759)	520	2.4	629	2.7	580	2.3
Television and radio broadcast receivers (761, 762)	224	1.0	204	0.9	239	0.9
Telecommunication equipment n.e.s. and parts n.e.s. and accessories (764)	646	3.0	730	3.1	717	2.8
Electrical apparatus for switching or protecting electrical circuits (772)	235	1.1	238	1.0	260	1.0
Household type, electrical and non-electrical equipment n.e.s. (775)(a)	202	0.9	237	1.0	221	0.9
Electrical machinery and apparatus n.e.s. (778)	362	1.7	362	1.5	405	1.6
Passenger motor vehicles (other than public transport type vehicles) including station wagons and racing cars (781)	1 553	7.1	1 725	7.3	1 603	6.3
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods (782.11,19)	440	2.0	592	2.5	516	2.0
Parts and accessories of motor vehicles and tractors, track-laying and wheeled (784)	503	2.3	495	2.1	582	2.3
Aircraft and associated equipment; spacecraft (including satellites) and spacecraft launch vehicles; and parts thereof (792)	335	1.5	445	1.9	784	3.1
Ships, boats (including hovercraft) and floating structures (793)	39	0.2	102	0.4	54	0.2
<b>Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>						
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories (84)	573	2.6	496	2.1	693	2.7
Measuring, checking, analysing and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s. (874)	362	1.7	405	1.7	438	1.7
Photographic and cinematographic supplies (882)	151	0.7	155	0.7	149	0.6
Printed matter (892)	254	1.2	235	1.0	291	1.1
Baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods (894)	332	1.5	224	1.0	375	1.5
<b>Total major commodities(a)</b>	<b>13 974</b>	<b>64.0</b>	<b>14 866</b>	<b>63.1</b>	<b>15 890</b>	<b>62.0</b>
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 821</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>23 554</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>25 633</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(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	SEP QTR 1997		JUN QTR 1998		SEP 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
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>4 146</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>3 739</b>	<b>856</b>	<b>3 821</b>	<b>911</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	203	23	137	32	123	29
01 Meat and meat preparations	883	16	974	14	1 006	11
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	361	49	488	61	511	51
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	271	144	328	169	323	160
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	1 139	60	1 259	51	1 253	67
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	311	132	282	153	313	166
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	710	27	31	23	43	28
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	54	161	36	165	48	180
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	138	37	130	37	129	43
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	76	173	74	152	72	176
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>160</b>
11 Beverages	250	116	273	89	298	122
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	15	35	17	38	19	37
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>4 417</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>4 688</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>4 458</b>	<b>439</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	133	1	141	—	135	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	54	28	78	14	59	12
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	2	34	2	30	2	30
24 Cork and wood	179	127	183	121	151	131
25 Pulp and waste paper	4	28	6	41	16	53
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	1 442	40	1 276	36	1 173	39
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	96	46	111	41	110	54
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	2 450	57	2 827	47	2 746	62
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	58	59	64	67	67	58
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(b)</b>	<b>3 857</b>	<b>1 183</b>	<b>3 803</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>3 929</b>	<b>1 076</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	2 311	4	2 518	6	2 560	6
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	1 070	1 154	862	869	908	1 052
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	475	25	424	16	462	18
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>71</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	51	2	54	1	69	2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)	11	66	11	52	21	63
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	11	5	13	7	13	6
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>2 371</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>2 729</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>2 748</b>
51 Organic chemicals(b)	43	497	28	490	41	507
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	81	141	76	201	79	195
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	116	113	151	116	122	125
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	292	589	306	737	336	785
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	77	193	71	194	71	233
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)	4	126	6	234	11	139
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)	87	251	60	252	64	247
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	40	198	42	201	43	222
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	104	265	118	303	121	293



Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1997		JUN QTR 1998		SEP QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>2 656</b>	<b>3 112</b>	<b>2 695</b>	<b>3 151</b>	<b>2 752</b>	<b>3 453</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.	137	38	121	37	127	37
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	44	288	44	340	43	347
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	30	92	25	95	24	99
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	112	488	113	499	104	571
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	167	659	152	622	161	721
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)	302	366	138	372	200	424
67 Iron and steel	368	386	516	400	451	405
68 Non-ferrous metals(b)	1 306	200	1 400	213	1 471	206
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(b)	191	596	185	572	171	644
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>2 849</b>	<b>10 087</b>	<b>3 029</b>	<b>11 067</b>	<b>2 528</b>	<b>11 680</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	297	529	198	487	203	626
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	314	1 047	285	1 128	330	1 206
73 Metal working machinery	73	145	45	136	54	151
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)	297	1 298	256	1 363	249	1 568
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	419	1 666	405	1 929	370	1 772
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	313	960	242	1 024	177	1 044
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(b)	330	1 358	361	1 409	337	1 497
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	453	2 697	384	3 032	525	2 964
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	354	388	853	559	285	851
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>3 404</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>3 404</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>4 174</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	23	70	21	71	22	81
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	28	184	26	162	22	227
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	3	104	3	71	3	110
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	114	573	86	496	96	693
85 Footwear	17	217	12	128	21	269
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	182	555	213	610	237	666
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	177	349	143	335	165	375
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	267	1 353	282	1 530	296	1 753
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)(d)</b>	<b>1 602</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>2 908</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>3 169</b>	<b>921</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	118	10	136	11	158	9
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	21	2	19	2	33	2
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	1	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	1 165	165	2 035	819	2 071	875
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)(d)	298	20	717	39	906	35
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 522</b>	<b>21 821</b>	<b>22 876</b>	<b>23 554</b>	<b>22 827</b>	<b>25 633</b>

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>16 621</b>	<b>3 064</b>	<b>15 714</b>	<b>3 549</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	746	107	549	130
01 Meat and meat preparations	3 194	69	3 854	58
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	1 746	194	2 058	220
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	1 150	609	1 229	707
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	5 969	186	5 208	226
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	1 141	577	1 134	657
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1 648	89	673	97
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	192	531	178	670
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	540	132	531	155
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	294	571	300	629
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>1 110</b>	<b>583</b>
11 Beverages	770	371	1 041	435
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	62	153	69	149
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>16 296</b>	<b>1 514</b>	<b>17 918</b>	<b>1 622</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	515	3	573	2
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	218	91	379	64
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	9	132	9	119
24 Cork and wood	659	448	692	484
25 Pulp and waste paper	14	122	31	162
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	4 923	149	4 835	144
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	379	154	431	183
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	9 359	183	10 718	210
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	221	233	250	255
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(b)</b>	<b>14 406</b>	<b>5 343</b>	<b>15 472</b>	<b>4 302</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	8 418	12	9 835	26
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	4 042	5 233	3 683	4 208
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	1 945	98	1 954	68
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>255</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	191	9	248	7
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)	20	240	65	226
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	40	22	51	23
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>3 133</b>	<b>9 110</b>	<b>3 340</b>	<b>10 653</b>
51 Organic chemicals(b)	136	2 017	135	2 146
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	322	661	326	732
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	430	417	503	466
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	1 018	2 087	1 187	2 740
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	294	651	284	791
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	20	671	27	781
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	306	886	254	1 002
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	156	725	165	833
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	451	995	459	1 163

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1998	
	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>9 496</b>	<b>11 046</b>	<b>10 690</b>	<b>12 871</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.	487	163	507	143
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	153	1 104	166	1 311
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	104	346	107	415
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)	415	1 792	421	2 074
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	608	2 316	607	2 583
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)	794	1 283	690	1 520
67 Iron and steel	1 579	1 357	1 941	1 640
68 Non-ferrous metals(b)	4 580	660	5 540	808
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(b)	775	2 024	710	2 378
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>11 128</b>	<b>37 575</b>	<b>10 790</b>	<b>43 514</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	976	1 885	893	2 152
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	1 186	4 161	1 179	4 404
73 Metal working machinery	230	610	190	587
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)	1 184	4 765	1 038	5 709
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	1 593	6 195	1 674	7 063
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	826	3 668	955	4 069
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(b)	1 269	4 995	1 302	5 566
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	1 903	9 062	1 802	11 565
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	1 962	2 234	1 757	2 399
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>2 912</b>	<b>11 765</b>	<b>3 236</b>	<b>14 228</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	85	247	88	298
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	100	569	95	721
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	14	353	12	363
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	370	1 928	354	2 398
85 Footwear	62	652	59	761
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	641	2 022	852	2 405
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	622	1 265	642	1 405
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	1 017	4 730	1 133	5 878
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)(d)</b>	<b>6 395</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>10 435</b>	<b>2 903</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	502	35	569	42
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	108	9	149	9
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	2	1	2	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	4 659	613	7 169	2 716
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)(d)	1 125	75	2 545	135
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>81 470</b>	<b>80 946</b>	<b>89 069</b>	<b>94 482</b>

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP 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
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>97</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	6	—	3	—	11	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	9	—	29	1	33	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	3	—	9	1	13	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	23	3	66	10	126	12
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	—	3	3	8	2	10
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	3	13	10	42	8	49
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1	1	78	1	1	2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	1	1	4	6	3	8
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	1	—	4	—	9	—
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	1	5	2	12	2	16
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>
11 Beverages	—	1	6	—	3	1
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	4	—	6	—	9
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2 014</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>2 005</b>	<b>36</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	17	—	55	—	62	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	—	1	3	8	55	4
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	—	—	—	—	—
24 Cork and wood	—	—	—	1	—	1
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	156	—	1 039	1	806	1
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	—	5	7	10	3	13
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	262	1	892	3	1 063	5
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	2	4	18	14	16	12
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>78</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	41	—	89	2	106	2
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	25	12	70	53	47	76
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	26	—	157	—	86	—
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>6</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	6	—	46	—	34	—
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	2	—	2	3	10	6
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	—	—	—	2	—
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>202</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	1	15	1	59	3	67
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	6	13	4	44	16	48
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	9	4	19	6	34	12
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	2	7	23	22	11	24
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	1	5	1	9	4	15
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	1	—	1	—	3
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	2	1	9	2	12	2
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	1	4	5	9	4	11
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	6	4	5	20	12	20

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>704</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>878</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	3	1	26	3	17	3
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	—	11	2	29	1	41
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	1	10	2	28	2	34
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	12	13	18	38	42	43
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	4	90	11	273	16	309
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	35	4	89	10	112
67 Iron and steel(b)	13	12	46	27	41	39
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	32	12	72	21	146	43
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	3	74	20	196	14	253
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>1 257</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	1	9	6	24	4	25
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	19	6	38	20	45	23
73 Metal working machinery	1	5	4	14	5	15
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	6	40	46	80	29	120
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	1	81	7	208	10	287
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)	12	97	15	253	19	331
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	13	98	27	276	37	380
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	1	26	3	70	4	71
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	2	1	28	2	4	4
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>3 018</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	—	23	2	64	1	75
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	—	38	1	72	2	101
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	69	—	188	—	206
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	9	393	12	1 029	26	1 334
85 Footwear(a)	—	122	—	301	—	354
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	3	9	8	23	12	29
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	1	28	2	62	3	77
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	2	307	10	664	9	842
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>669</b>	<b>53</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	1	—	2	—	11	—
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)	187	9	747	45	658	52
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>1 726</b>	<b>3 817</b>	<b>4 454</b>	<b>3 765</b>	<b>5 634</b>

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>42</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	—	—	—	—	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	6	—	29	—	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	3	4	3	4
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	—	2	—	3	—	4
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	8	—	28	2	27	2
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1	2	6	4	4	6
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	—	4	2	10	1	14
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	—	—	—	1	—	2
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	—	1	1	5	—	5
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>
11 Beverages	6	1	14	4	16	4
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>22</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	1	—	8	—	3	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	—	—	1	—	32	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	1	—	5	—	5
24 Cork and wood	—	—	1	1	1	2
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	62	2	200	4	242	6
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	4	—	14	2	24	1
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	76	—	246	1	292	1
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	3	1	11	5	14	7
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>6</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	45	—	53	1	113	1
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	—	2	—	4	—	6
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
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
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>919</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	2	32	5	124	11	145
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	1	8	3	32	6	30
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	—	18	2	70	3	71
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	5	137	7	213	12	376
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	1	12	6	32	8	40
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	2	—	20	—	22
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	—	19	—	77	—	72
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	—	14	—	46	—	55
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	27	2	92	3	108

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP 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
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>711</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	2	1	2	2	6	2
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	—	20	—	61	1	73
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	—	2	1	4	1	7
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	—	47	—	119	1	156
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	1	22	8	55	9	71
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	2	18	10	60	7	67
67 Iron and steel(b)	—	21	1	46	5	76
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	9	23	64	65	44	78
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	51	7	157	8	180
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>2 664</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>3 241</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	3	60	58	194	15	208
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	4	164	15	461	18	578
73 Metal working machinery	2	14	14	96	12	69
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	4	192	30	539	17	606
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	11	17	22	40	52	53
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	4	16	6	116	14	101
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	38	126	31	365	84	440
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	6	297	23	826	25	1 153
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	10	4	2	27	11	33
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>482</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	—	4	1	14	1	16
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	—	5	1	12	1	17
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	—	—	1	—	1
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1	4	5	13	5	14
85 Footwear(a)	—	3	—	7	—	9
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	14	66	28	194	49	221
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	2	18	2	64	4	70
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	6	36	10	121	19	134
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>143</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	1	1	3	3	5	4
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	8	—	38	1	43	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	—	—	5	—	—	—
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	22	40	47	129	51	138
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>1 561</b>	<b>1 079</b>	<b>4 559</b>	<b>1 363</b>	<b>5 571</b>

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(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.

(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	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP 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
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>789</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2 907</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>3 009</b>	<b>48</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	2	—	19	—	15	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	374	—	1 294	—	1 497	1
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	86	—	315	—	383	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	158	6	466	15	462	24
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	33	1	123	4	125	3
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	39	—	121	2	122	2
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	6	—	201	1	27	1
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	9	1	34	4	35	4
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	69	1	290	4	302	3
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	12	3	43	9	41	11
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>3</b>
11 Beverages	12	—	29	2	50	2
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	—	—	14	—	1
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>1 016</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3 469</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>3 808</b>	<b>53</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	5	—	25	—	16	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	34	—	150	—	146	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	3	—	10	—	10
24 Cork and wood	136	—	570	—	630	—
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	144	1	497	6	489	6
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	7	3	17	16	20	19
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	679	1	2 162	5	2 457	7
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	11	2	48	11	49	10
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>1 256</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4 447</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4 905</b>	<b>18</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	1 048	7	3 770	—	4 190	5
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	172	7	521	10	527	13
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	36	—	157	—	188	—
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	1	—	7	—	7	—
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	2	—	2	—	6	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	3	—	10	—	14	—
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>473</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	5	32	24	122	19	137
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	11	7	48	41	53	40
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	7	12	32	30	30	43
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	8	14	29	45	30	54
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	2	3	6	7	6	9
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	1	—	1	—	2
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	—	20	4	63	2	75
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	1	19	2	64	2	73
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	11	11	49	36	51	41



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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>1 262</b>	<b>1 064</b>	<b>1 685</b>	<b>1 168</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	2	1	10	2	9	1
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	6	96.0	23	361	25	390
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	4	—	18	1	19	—
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	1	20	5	83	2	93
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	4	28	11	91	11	97
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	26	21	134	83	91	88
67 Iron and steel(b)	13	104	66	322	64	376
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	340	7	969	26	1 442	30
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	3	26	26	96	22	93
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>2 736</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>8 289</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>10 190</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	30	113	82	175	103	263
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	4	149	25	545	29	558
73 Metal working machinery(b)	1	48	7	182	3	192
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	8	181	47	676	41	752
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	16	258	134	1 004	119	1 090
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	3	164	10	502	16	643
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	7	134	24	493	26	509
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	7	1 677	66	4 656	82	6 153
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	3	11	19	54	12	31
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>884</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	1	2	3	21	3	23
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	1	2	6	7	4	9
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	—	2	1	1	1
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	2	2	14	8	7	8
85 Footwear(a)	—	—	1	—	1	—
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	20	43	40	169	72	189
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	3	76	17	254	14	275
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	15	98	54	305	58	379
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>3 118</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>3 378</b>	<b>169</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	2	—	25	2	8	2
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—	—	8	—	6	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	95	—	195	—	321	—
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	715	48	2 890	128	3 043	167
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>4 457</b>	<b>3 458</b>	<b>15 999</b>	<b>10 770</b>	<b>17 647</b>	<b>13 006</b>

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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
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>25</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	1	—	7	—	2	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	30	—	169	—	103	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	8	—	38	—	34	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	—	2	5	5	1	7
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	1	3	14	2	12	7
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	1	—	8	—	4	—
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1	1	160	2	5	2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	1	1	7	1	4	2
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	1	—	6	—	3	—
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	2	2	10	7	7	6
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>
11 Beverages	—	—	2	1	1	—
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1 044</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1 197</b>	<b>9</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	1	—	3	—	4	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	6	—	11	—	19	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	1	—	2	—	2
24 Cork and wood	3	—	40	—	17	—
25 Pulp and waste paper	1	—	1	—	2	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	79	1	315	5	221	5
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	—	—	3	—	2	—
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	264	—	668	—	929	—
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	1	1	3	1	3	1
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1 236</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1 422</b>	<b>20</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	280	—	973	—	1 215	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	34	9	263	9	207	19
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	—	—	9	—	2	1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	2	—	5	—	10	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	—	3	—	2	—
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>157</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	—	7	9	32	6	29
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	1	3	11	7	4	10
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	15	2	63	9	54	7
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	3	—	12	3	13	2
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	1	—	6	2	5	1
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	1	11	5	51	3	55
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	—	12	3	36	1	39
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	3	12	18	7	12

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>705</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	—	1	27	5	6	3
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	—	31	2	85	1	111
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	1	—	9	—	5	—
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	—	28	2	68	1	81
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	2	63	14	200	8	215
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	7	13	18	6	22
67 Iron and steel(b)	28	47	146	107	124	171
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	132	13	481	18	451	28
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	2	24	11	62	5	74
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>1 671</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>1 887</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	25	3	304	15	212	10
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	2	9	14	39	8	42
73 Metal working machinery	—	4	11	5	2	18
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	6	32	33	98	32	120
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	6	35	33	182	27	154
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	1	107	1	219	2	382
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	2	30	16	143	11	145
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	4	188	49	910	16	878
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	5	3	4	60	7	138
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>153</b>
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	—	—	2	3	1	4
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	1	—	5	—	5
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	—	8	8	23	4	26
85 Footwear(a)	—	3	—	12	—	14
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	2	2	19	12	13	8
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	11	3	69	8	54	10
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	4	21	19	66	14	86
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>2 977</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>2 194</b>	<b>1 141</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	1	—	2	—	3	—
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)	399	398	2 254	61	1 317	1 046
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	234	22	720	107	874	95
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>1 609</b>	<b>1 142</b>	<b>7 108</b>	<b>2 726</b>	<b>6 108</b>	<b>4 098</b>

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Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP 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
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>619</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	3	14	7	75	17	81
01 Meat and meat preparations	7	2	18	18	25	14
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	6	33	26	112	26	132
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	2	29	6	112	7	124
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	23	10	83	30	91	36
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	31	32	80	113	90	127
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	7	5	86	14	28	14
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	16	3	50	11	57	11
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	9	1	36	3	35	4
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	18	23	77	61	75	74
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>38</b>
11 Beverages	24	10	73	26	95	37
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	1	—	5	1	6	1
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>356</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	4	—	15	1	17	1
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	2	—	2	1	4	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	1	—	5	—	5	—
24 Cork and wood	2	59	6	160	6	198
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	22	—	62	—	79
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	1	14	6	49	6	46
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	6	1	18	2	14	3
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	5	2	11	5	18	5
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	2	3	12	27	11	24
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>237</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	—	4	2	6	2	13
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	105	65	487	405	437	218
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	1	1	1	8	1	6
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	2	1	2	1	3	2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	2	—	1	1	4	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	1	4	1	3	1
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>311</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	9	2	24	8	24	9
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	7	1	26	5	32	7
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	14	2	50	12	56	9
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	66	7	253	22	254	26
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	31	25	121	92	119	90
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	2	—	3	3	4	1
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	16	5	72	21	67	23
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	14	15	54	44	52	53
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	25	22	94	78	85	94

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>935</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	3	7	12	58	10	40
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	7	19	28	41	29	57
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excl. furniture)(a)	4	17	15	74	17	74
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	54	69	200	196	217	260
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	30	44	129	149	117	159
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	18	3	94	10	88	10
67 Iron and steel(b)	33	26	119	78	116	93
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	31	31	161	122	137	119
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	36	31	148	130	138	122
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>2 251</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>1 685</b>	<b>618</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	16	2	73	8	76	7
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	38	17	139	57	135	66
73 Metal working machinery	5	1	27	13	21	7
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	41	44	164	173	162	164
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	112	5	435	16	441	20
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)	22	8	88	32	74	31
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	72	65	303	240	271	257
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	106	11	384	24	396	32
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	32	12	637	30	109	34
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>437</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	7	2	27	9	27	11
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	8	14	32	51	31	49
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	1	1	5	4	5	4
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	40	34	156	124	151	126
85 Footwear(a)	6	8	31	33	24	27
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	34	8	111	25	124	27
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	26	1	93	2	97	4
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	99	51	361	193	371	190
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>209</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	41	—	129	—	139	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)	3	37	12	212	14	162
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	83	19	261	35	351	46
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>1 475</b>	<b>1 003</b>	<b>6 190</b>	<b>3 730</b>	<b>5 660</b>	<b>3 764</b>

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>34</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	—	1	—	—	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	37	—	137	—	150	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	24	—	86	—	82	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	37	4	215	18	186	17
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	3	1	14	2	11	3
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	9	1	25	3	29	3
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1	—	58	1	5	1
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	2	—	7	—	7	—
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	6	1	21	3	19	5
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	3	1	10	4	13	5
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>
11 Beverages	2	—	9	—	7	—
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	4	—	13	—	16
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>22</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	1	—	6	—	5	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	—	—	1	—	1	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	—	—	2	—	1
24 Cork and wood	1	—	9	1	10	1
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	59	3	270	17	236	13
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)	102	1	318	3	379	3
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	2	2	6	4	7	5
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1 090</b>	<b>—</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	189	—	657	—	788	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	43	—	318	16	302	—
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>1</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	9	—	26	—	34	—
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	1	6	1	8	1
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>181</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	—	6	3	19	1	26
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	2	2	8	8	11	7
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	3	1	15	5	15	5
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	20	1	42	5	64	5
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	3	7	12	22	12	26
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	1	—	1	—	2
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	4	9	18	26	12	33
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	1	18	4	62	5	67
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	3	1	11	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
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>696</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	5	1	40	5	24	5
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	1	13	5	42	3	46
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	3	2	11	8	13	7
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	3	11	10	31	12	36
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	3	62	11	187	11	207
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	5	12	15	38	15	46
67 Iron and steel(b)	11	17	151	57	168	76
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	202	3	513	8	708	10
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	2	74	12	221	6	264
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>1 291</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>1 489</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	12	9	26	31	41	32
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	3	15	10	56	10	60
73 Metal working machinery	—	9	2	34	2	37
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	6	38	23	110	19	134
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	10	211	71	674	59	803
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	2	26	4	86	5	89
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	6	63	20	214	20	226
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	5	25	11	79	31	98
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	—	1	2	7	1	9
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>412</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	—	9	1	24	1	30
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	—	20	2	51	1	55
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	2	—	9	—	8
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1	7	1	29	1	33
85 Footwear(a)	—	4	—	8	—	11
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	2	8	7	21	12	27
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	11	10	34	39	45	40
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	5	67	14	219	24	210
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>35</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	9	—	23	—	30	—
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	2	—	9	—	9	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	56	—	54	—	174	—
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	140	8	349	63	415	35
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>1 073</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>3 748</b>	<b>2 594</b>	<b>4 273</b>	<b>2 888</b>

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>113</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	5	—	8	—	16
01 Meat and meat preparations	37	—	108	—	115	—
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	10	1	29	2	24	3
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	—	1	1	6	1	7
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	1	6	3	15	7	14
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	14	2	38	5	52	5
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	1	3	7	11	8	9
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	—	7	1	35	1	24
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	—	—	7	4	1	2
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	1	9	2	25	2	33
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>115</b>
11 Beverages	138	32	290	101	430	111
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	1	—	4	—	4
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>54</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	1	—	5	—	4	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	1	—	1	—	4	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	1	—	3	—	4
24 Cork and wood	1	—	8	1	5	1
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	—	—	—	—	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	15	4	104	21	92	16
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	1	1	3	4	5	4
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	55	17	171	5	216	21
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	2	2	5	8	7	9
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>4</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	85	—	274	—	308	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	10	1	—	5	10	4
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	2	—	15	—
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>
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	—	—	1
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>1 101</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>1 311</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	—	46	1	230	1	258
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	1	9	8	33	3	33
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	4	15	2	40	14	52
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	36	177	106	516	118	668
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	2	27	8	77	7	89
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	1	2	—	16	1	11
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	—	13	1	48	1	48
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	2	18	9	59	8	69
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	1	22	7	81	8	84



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	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>663</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	—	1	1	7	1	4
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	6	15	20	54	23	59
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	1	1	2	3	3	3
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	—	17	1	68	6	71
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	11	25	39	98	42	100
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	5	27	15	91	14	101
67 Iron and steel(b)	1	26	2	97	7	109
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	44	12	171	51	219	51
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	5	43	17	132	22	165
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>2 282</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>2 457</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	16	58	38	250	48	238
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	11	149	33	306	39	385
73 Metal working machinery	2	5	12	32	13	25
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	23	108	84	321	93	389
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	10	42	52	213	57	199
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)	6	85	14	322	25	313
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	18	89	53	281	61	332
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	5	94	14	411	21	465
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	15	31	224	147	76	111
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>991</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	1	4	2	12	1	15
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	1	11	4	17	4	32
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	1	—	3	—	3
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	2	5	12	26	8	24
85 Footwear(a)	—	5	2	17	2	20
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	11	58	36	195	40	217
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	5	10	16	42	17	47
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	19	186	54	574	65	632
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>1 553</b>	<b>68</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	3	1	5	6	9	5
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—	—	1	1	—	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	854	17	17	—	1 166	18
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	72	11	290	76	378	46
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>1 570</b>	<b>1 560</b>	<b>2 431</b>	<b>5 218</b>	<b>3 936</b>	<b>5 778</b>

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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
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>1 166</b>	<b>422</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	1	8	1	14	3	18
01 Meat and meat preparations	260	2	598	5	849	7
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	15	1	29	3	57	4
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	37	5	63	31	118	39
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	1	8	4	20	3	28
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	46	28	62	107	90	127
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	8	4	93	14	16	14
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	—	13	3	29	3	52
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	4	14	13	44	18	58
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	3	20	3	53	8	74
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>103</b>
11 Beverages	52	20	139	60	208	68
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	—	10	—	34	—	35
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>264</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	1	—	1	—	1	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	9	8	7	72	26	48
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	4	—	19	—	21
24 Cork and wood	3	11	6	62	10	46
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	4	—	17	—	19
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	27	5	131	19	158	21
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	5	8	13	33	24	31
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	24	1	56	14	80	3
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	11	16	28	61	34	74
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>245</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	1	—	5	—	4	—
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	135	62	468	202	523	242
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	13	1	—	1	13	2
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	—	—	1	1	1	1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	1	1	—	2	2	2
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	1	3	3	2	4
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>2 319</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>2 739</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	1	103	1	416	3	436
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	3	25	20	168	16	124
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	8	27	16	96	27	102
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	22	128	47	303	74	460
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	4	72	13	197	15	261
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	—	61	—	319	—	421
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	1	58	1	215	4	230
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	1	63	5	217	6	240
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	32	118	88	389	123	465

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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
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>1 523</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>1 771</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	14	1	48	5	50	5
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	10	54	11	168	29	200
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	2	6	8	25	11	33
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	1	89	2	328	4	365
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	13	75	41	234	58	275
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	23	38	68	128	83	144
67 Iron and steel(b)	111	27	203	115	415	116
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	96	33	53	89	227	140
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	27	130	51	431	79	493
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>3 127</b>	<b>1 897</b>	<b>9 926</b>	<b>1 945</b>	<b>10 925</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	35	265	101	827	146	941
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	69	408	139	1 446	197	1 516
73 Metal working machinery	17	28	61	94	57	96
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	32	439	111	1 404	123	1 635
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	74	492	302	1 791	354	2 003
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)	23	138	55	569	75	590
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	49	337	131	1 215	149	1 207
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	126	310	658	1 142	428	1 367
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	128	710	339	1 438	417	1 570
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>2 830</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>3 258</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	1	10	2	25	2	29
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	3	15	10	43	10	56
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	2	2	10	2	10
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	15	14	35	59	43	60
85 Footwear(a)	6	4	8	14	12	15
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	68	321	145	949	212	1 134
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	8	114	32	419	32	454
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	45	406	114	1 310	170	1 500
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>1 361</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>2 279</b>	<b>922</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	6	5	12	17	17	24
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	5	—	19	1	21	1
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	1	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	21	—	13	1	776	454
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	372	113	1 316	343	1 465	442
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>2 129</b>	<b>5 492</b>	<b>6 011</b>	<b>17 882</b>	<b>8 183</b>	<b>20 655</b>

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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
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>2 106</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>8 741</b>	<b>1 844</b>	<b>8 003</b>	<b>2 183</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	49	23	486	90	222	114
01 Meat and meat preparations	828	9	2 688	62	3 083	51
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	350	35	1 302	119	1 415	141
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	305	121	1 127	474	1 185	552
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	98	43	379	114	375	147
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	231	95	775	355	750	394
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	31	12	1 113	44	114	44
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	42	86	165	243	152	317
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	109	33	456	101	449	131
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	61	85	251	243	259	293
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>197</b>
11 Beverages	113	35	340	105	448	126
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	8	20	20	81	25	71
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>2 438</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>8 728</b>	<b>1 156</b>	<b>9 316</b>	<b>1 198</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	34	—	120	2	119	1
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	52	10	178	87	267	58
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	2	23	9	106	8	94
24 Cork and wood	147	123	641	420	679	453
25 Pulp and waste paper	16	47	14	117	31	151
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	738	29	3 163	110	2 811	109
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	28	23	87	76	101	83
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	1 382	23	4 365	81	5 149	88
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	38	35	151	156	151	160
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>2 465</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>9 267</b>	<b>3 049</b>	<b>9 839</b>	<b>2 687</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	1 675	5	5 748	10	6 652	22
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	714	670	3 151	3 000	2 874	2 634
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	76	8	368	39	314	31
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>138</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	22	2	99	3	89	4
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	11	30	18	111	47	116
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	10	5	32	17	38	17
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>1 221</b>	<b>2 426</b>	<b>4 143</b>	<b>2 471</b>	<b>4 909</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	28	209	100	779	86	868
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	52	75	179	328	208	321
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	90	58	376	195	366	216
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	219	181	723	454	811	642
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	60	129	254	372	243	456
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	8	98	19	462	22	564
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	50	141	262	451	209	557
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	32	148	125	482	127	550
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	105	182	388	620	400	735

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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>2 066</b>	<b>2 121</b>	<b>7 388</b>	<b>6 644</b>	<b>8 039</b>	<b>7 758</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	37	15	223	89	160	70
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	32	250	110	804	120	953
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	19	66	93	232	88	266
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	96	328	393	954	387	1 142
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	99	466	366	1 509	375	1 654
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	112	203	511	592	437	702
67 Iron and steel(b)	328	262	1 439	803	1 500	991
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	1 211	119	3 626	359	4 452	469
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	132	411	626	1 302	521	1 510
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>1 744</b>	<b>8 606</b>	<b>8 349</b>	<b>27 123</b>	<b>7 328</b>	<b>31 731</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	165	445	800	1 181	752	1 446
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	235	660	822	2 499	799	2 496
73 Metal working machinery(b)	34	99	174	356	126	376
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	178	888	891	2 826	742	3 423
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	316	1 627	1 390	5 631	1 410	6 460
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	101	788	437	2 489	462	2 959
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	220	986	1 003	3 430	864	3 704
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	273	2 342	1 438	7 071	1 076	8 925
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	223	771	1 394	1 639	1 097	1 942
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>3 030</b>	<b>2 308</b>	<b>8 340</b>	<b>2 520</b>	<b>10 251</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	16	55	62	164	60	197
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	18	156	81	405	74	490
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	3	85	12	249	10	266
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	78	535	280	1 471	285	1 849
85 Footwear(a)	15	169	49	441	43	505
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	164	447	444	1 335	596	1 625
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	142	278	556	927	561	1 018
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	226	1 306	825	3 348	890	4 301
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>3 409</b>	<b>1 132</b>	<b>13 330</b>	<b>1 563</b>	<b>14 733</b>	<b>3 762</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	115	6	394	23	410	29
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	7	2	50	7	48	9
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	1	1	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	801	841	4 522	542	4 672	2 636
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	2 486	283	8 363	992	9 602	1 087
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>15 696</b>	<b>17 742</b>	<b>61 049</b>	<b>54 178</b>	<b>62 898</b>	<b>64 814</b>

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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
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>2 288</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>1 628</b>	<b>771</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	28	—	409	—	141	—
01 Meat and meat preparations	39	—	241	1	180	1
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	182	—	701	—	718	—
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	8	73	57	269	52	315
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	42	13	137	41	151	50
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	58	27	317	76	250	89
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	6	1	268	6	19	6
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	8	55	40	139	26	197
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	13	13	70	40	46	43
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	8	20	47	68	45	71
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>8</b>
11 Beverages	7	—	29	2	26	3
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	5	1	4	6	13	5
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>235</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	4	—	9	—	9	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	1	—	3	—	2	—
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	14	2	70	2	58
24 Cork and wood	2	28	7	102	5	105
25 Pulp and waste paper	15	12	13	4	26	21
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	248	3	734	8	752	10
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	6	1	21	3	28	5
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	38	4	193	20	156	13
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	3	6	16	24	10	24
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>1 915</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>2 147</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	29	—	90	—	117	1
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	151	573	793	1 885	649	2 123
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	6	52	30	24	23
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>116</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	2	—	6	—	6	—
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	2	27	5	102	12	105
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	2	2	5	11	5	11
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>675</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>570</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	8	40	32	113	25	148
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	15	9	40	32	39	37
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	23	5	143	20	103	22
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	41	13	194	25	184	31
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	12	10	63	32	49	37
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	2	4	5	68	8	45
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	12	34	82	60	50	128
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	5	15	28	40	27	53
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	18	16	89	54	72	69

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP 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
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>2 165</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>1 679</b>	<b>1 135</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)	6	3	32	9	23	11
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	4	26	24	70	20	89
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	3	30	23	90	13	112
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	15	74	76	141	55	218
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	22	73	84	256	75	276
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	13	45	101	117	63	151
67 Iron and steel(b)	60	24	522	77	315	91
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	257	12	1 065	27	946	58
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	38	30	239	103	168	129
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>1 027</b>	<b>2 009</b>	<b>3 372</b>	<b>1 630</b>	<b>3 958</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	16	7	95	12	63	23
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)	68	12	303	207	260	52
73 Metal working machinery	3	2	52	6	21	6
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	59	77	345	195	243	346
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	53	477	261	1 538	210	1 847
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	11	202	171	688	124	736
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	43	194	330	593	214	742
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	14	51	165	122	75	184
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	45	6	287	8	421	21
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>851</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>1 505</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	3	5	22	13	17	15
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	3	65	20	174	16	209
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	6	1	18	1	20
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	5	54	19	149	18	193
85 Footwear(a)	—	31	2	85	2	94
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	22	29	71	67	95	104
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	34	14	166	36	155	39
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	24	280	144	309	114	832
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>2 915</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>2 989</b>	<b>925</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	13	—	49	—	53	—
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—	—	6	—	1	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	142	304	1 564	—	1 217	707
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	493	59	1 295	220	1 718	218
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>2 512</b>	<b>3 218</b>	<b>12 479</b>	<b>8 688</b>	<b>10 742</b>	<b>11 371</b>

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

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>1 116</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>5 373</b>	<b>1 166</b>	<b>4 716</b>	<b>1 403</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	114	1	711	6	497	14
01 Meat and meat preparations	215	—	814	2	862	2
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	364	2	1 260	6	1 442	5
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	110	98	595	370	600	424
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	64	27	271	70	271	89
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	152	79	723	257	653	292
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	16	6	637	20	65	22
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	20	100	95	253	72	349
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	29	22	126	64	106	72
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	32	40	142	120	148	135
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>99</b>
11 Beverages	23	8	98	28	90	29
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	11	17	32	65	33	70
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>1 568</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>5 579</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>6 059</b>	<b>533</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	49	—	172	—	241	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	9	3	47	16	139	13
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	1	16	3	75	4	62
24 Cork and wood	6	33	63	114	34	119
25 Pulp and waste paper	16	17	14	7	31	27
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	706	9	2 890	35	2 695	33
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	10	29	45	71	47	92
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	747	29	2 263	118	2 782	122
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	23	19	82	65	86	65
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>1 372</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>5 274</b>	<b>3 820</b>	<b>5 562</b>	<b>3 258</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	995	—	3 192	2	3 886	3
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	350	815	1 870	3 730	1 554	3 195
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	26	16	211	88	123	59
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>151</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	53	—	163	5	203	2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	16	35	15	141	51	136
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	6	3	16	13	24	12
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>1 466</b>	<b>1 322</b>	<b>1 472</b>	<b>1 578</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	16	91	58	307	48	362
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	41	44	106	149	130	187
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	70	20	299	66	293	72
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	130	27	425	78	490	95
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations(b)	24	29	119	82	109	100
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	5	37	8	187	12	188
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	43	61	218	155	168	233
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	21	57	68	179	77	200
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	38	34	165	119	145	140



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	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>1 286</b>	<b>1 239</b>	<b>5 041</b>	<b>3 717</b>	<b>5 000</b>	<b>4 433</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	26	17	170	61	117	60
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	10	89	56	257	43	324
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	11	44	56	139	48	167
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	42	134	182	340	166	419
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	84	411	314	1 332	304	1 467
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	50	155	234	441	194	534
67 Iron and steel(b)	192	110	1 073	345	971	441
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	798	47	2 566	123	2 826	176
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	74	231	390	680	330	846
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>1 000</b>	<b>2 482</b>	<b>4 321</b>	<b>8 139</b>	<b>4 167</b>	<b>9 699</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	77	39	517	128	402	134
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	158	54	582	366	541	224
73 Metal working machinery(b)	21	25	93	70	66	90
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	106	228	594	582	464	860
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	123	865	527	2 775	515	3 320
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	69	472	306	1 341	353	1 696
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	120	471	603	1 534	495	1 814
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	255	310	557	1 216	748	1 306
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	71	17	540	127	584	254
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>1 956</b>	<b>1 114</b>	<b>4 672</b>	<b>1 204</b>	<b>6 116</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	11	41	41	112	47	135
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	8	132	41	323	38	396
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	1	90	3	265	4	283
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	33	599	94	1 577	124	2 018
85 Footwear(a)	1	186	8	474	6	551
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	50	60	172	161	215	212
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	112	86	435	250	445	280
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	76	763	320	1 511	324	2 240
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>2 790</b>	<b>904</b>	<b>11 340</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>11 075</b>	<b>2 435</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	62	—	165	1	234	1
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	8	—	24	—	54	2
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	897	766	4 319	132	3 864	1 861
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	1 822	138	6 832	618	6 922	571
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>9 920</b>	<b>8 402</b>	<b>39 832</b>	<b>24 342</b>	<b>39 657</b>	<b>29 706</b>

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

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1998	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals(a)</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>780</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	—	5	2	9	9	16
01 Meat and meat preparations	64	1	200	6	233	5
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	26	13	61	64	83	66
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	15	8	16	31	35	33
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	3	20	10	58	49	63
05 Vegetables and fruit(a)	31	24	101	86	129	97
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey(a)	4	12	22	35	17	40
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof(b)	1	32	4	142	4	138
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excluding unmilled cereals)(a)	2	1	15	8	8	5
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations(a)	1	86	4	98	5	317
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>325</b>
11 Beverages	167	82	367	243	521	288
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures(a)	5	9	9	34	19	37
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(a)(b)</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>2 516</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>2 804</b>	<b>179</b>
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw(a)	27	—	121	—	115	—
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	3	—	9	—	57	2
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)(b)	—	5	—	19	—	21
24 Cork and wood	3	5	12	16	10	17
25 Pulp and waste paper	—	2	—	4	—	4
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	284	7	1 355	32	1 442	27
27 Crude fertilisers (excluding those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)(b)	11	5	49	14	53	17
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	256	18	930	9	1 074	30
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	15	13	38	51	53	61
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(a)(b)</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1 065</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1 400</b>	<b>20</b>
32 Coal, coke and briquettes(a)	411	1	1 055	2	1 364	2
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials(b)	10	5	2	14	11	17
34 Gas, natural and manufactured(a)	—	—	9	—	25	—
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(a)(b)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>78</b>
41 Animal oils and fats(a)	1	—	2	1	4	1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)(b)	1	21	1	85	2	72
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.	1	1	1	5	2	5
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(a)(b)</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>1 112</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>3 450</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>4 113</b>
51 Organic chemicals(a)(b)	3	218	9	800	17	907
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)(b)	7	27	91	112	47	109
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(b)	21	47	24	158	88	182
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	64	509	172	1 353	204	1 760
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials: toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	5	95	20	250	20	302
56 Fertilisers (excluding crude)(a)	1	11	—	64	1	65
57 Plastics in primary forms(a)(b)	1	55	2	212	4	214
58 Plastics in non-primary forms(b)	4	64	16	201	17	239
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.(a)(b)	6	86	20	301	24	335

Section and Division of the SITC Rev3	SEP QTR 1998		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP QTR 1997		12 MONTHS ENDED SEP 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
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(a)(b)</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>3 010</b>	<b>1 121</b>	<b>3 593</b>
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, n.e.s.(a)(b)	73	7	219	26	290	25
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.(b)	8	83	25	258	28	308
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)(a)	3	29	4	101	9	133
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)(b)	2	204	3	633	11	776
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products(a)(b)	17	121	73	373	69	428
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.(a)(b)	20	161	50	506	55	604
67 Iron and steel(b)	67	96	30	342	249	435
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)(b)	77	53	274	202	363	215
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.(a)(b)	11	177	52	569	47	669
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(a)(b)</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>2 701</b>	<b>1 169</b>	<b>9 296</b>	<b>1 350</b>	<b>10 311</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	21	167	114	647	77	652
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries(a)(b)	26	506	93	1 516	112	1 726
73 Metal working machinery(b)	6	41	29	224	30	174
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.(a)(b)	37	603	152	1 733	144	1 999
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	33	126	130	524	181	547
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment(a)(b)	18	210	75	1 035	82	944
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (including non-electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)(b)	63	405	119	1 221	192	1 479
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	19	593	77	1 904	83	2 469
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	43	51	380	492	450	321
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(b)</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>2 540</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>2 939</b>
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.(b)	2	22	7	71	5	81
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	2	60	7	135	8	197
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—	15	1	69	—	61
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	5	41	58	151	20	174
85 Footwear(a)	1	70	4	128	4	165
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	43	196	122	610	154	697
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks(b)	12	61	30	229	39	243
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.(b)	39	376	103	1 149	130	1 321
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(c)</b>	<b>1 313</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>1 448</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>2 945</b>	<b>368</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	5	2	11	10	18	11
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	8	—	39	2	45	—
96 Coin (excluding gold coin), not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	1	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)	932	18	24	1	1 252	18
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities n.e.s.(c)	367	91	1 373	364	1 629	339
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>3 410</b>	<b>6 074</b>	<b>8 423</b>	<b>19 742</b>	<b>11 523</b>	<b>22 706</b>

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## EXPORTS, By State(a)

State	September quarter 1997	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>Australian produce</b>	<b>20 494</b>	<b>22 021</b>	<b>19 292</b>	<b>21 547</b>	<b>21 686</b>
New South Wales	5 188	5 294	4 398	4 793	4 825
Victoria	3 813	4 470	3 826	3 822	4 338
Queensland	4 228	4 176	3 468	4 424	4 493
South Australia	1 210	1 298	1 212	1 268	1 319
Western Australia	5 181	5 932	5 559	6 133	5 874
Tasmania	424	499	464	748	429
Northern Territory	355	302	295	246	258
Australian Capital Territory	1	2	8	2	4
State not available for publication(b)	93	49	62	111	146
<b>Re-exports</b>	<b>1 028</b>	<b>1 063</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>1 329</b>	<b>1 141</b>
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 522</b>	<b>23 084</b>	<b>20 283</b>	<b>22 876</b>	<b>22 827</b>

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

(b) Includes \$35 million of exports for September 1998 which cannot yet be allocated by state. These shipments will be appropriately classified as more details become available.

## IMPORTS, By State(a)

	<i>September quarter 1997</i>	<i>December quarter 1997</i>	<i>March quarter 1998</i>	<i>June quarter 1998</i>	<i>September quarter 1998</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
New South Wales	9 449	9 909	9 188	9 919	10 799
Victoria	6 962	7 292	7 181	7 404	8 286
Queensland	2 378	2 444	2 434	2 504	2 814
South Australia	1 026	935	1 004	978	934
Western Australia	1 781	2 192	2 179	2 458	2 525
Tasmania	94	93	102	97	121
Northern Territory	127	175	164	192	153
Australian Capital Territory	4	2	2	3	1
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 821</b>	<b>23 042</b>	<b>22 252</b>	<b>23 554</b>	<b>25 633</b>

(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	September quarter 1997	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>A Agriculture, forestry and fishing</b>	<b>2 701</b>	<b>2 772</b>	<b>2 336</b>	<b>2 588</b>	<b>2 522</b>
01 Agriculture	1 969	2 315	2 068	1 875	1 814
02 Services to agriculture; hunting and trapping	513	280	92	581	562
03 Forestry and logging	18	16	7	6	8
04 Commercial fishing	202	160	169	126	137
<b>B Mining</b>	<b>5 107</b>	<b>5 345</b>	<b>5 221</b>	<b>5 786</b>	<b>5 480</b>
11 Coal mining	2 307	2 399	2 342	2 512	2 556
12 Oil and gas extraction	1 079	1 110	876	876	970
13 Metal ore mining	1 676	1 785	1 954	2 333	1 901
14 Other mining	45	50	49	64	54
<b>C Manufacturing</b>	<b>13 277</b>	<b>14 451</b>	<b>11 996</b>	<b>13 621</b>	<b>13 695</b>
21 Food, beverage and tobacco	3 243	3 565	2 576	2 818	2 922
22 Textile, clothing, footwear and leather	810	814	710	664	683
23 Wood and paper products	301	308	286	317	281
24 Printing, publishing and recorded media	113	122	117	116	123
25 Petroleum, coal, chemical and associated products	1 431	1 492	1 341	1 384	1 408
26 Non-metallic mineral products	99	100	81	82	81
27 Metal products	3 816	4 373	4 115	4 634	5 010
28 Machinery and equipment	3 249	3 467	2 593	3 445	2 997
29 Other manufacturing	216	211	177	162	191
<b>Other industries(a)(b)</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>1 130</b>
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 522</b>	<b>23 084</b>	<b>20 283</b>	<b>22 876</b>	<b>22 827</b>

(a) Includes \$35 million of exports for September 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	September quarter 1997	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>A Agriculture, forestry and fishing</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>192</b>
01 Agriculture	175	189	203	179	171
02 Services to agriculture; hunting and trapping	4	2	1	3	3
03 Forestry and logging	2	1	1	2	1
04 Commercial fishing	19	24	25	20	16
<b>B Mining</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>1 031</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>966</b>
11 Coal mining	2	4	5	5	6
12 Oil and gas extraction	890	941	875	685	868
13 Metal ore mining	41	46	29	35	32
14 Other mining	46	41	40	37	61
<b>C Manufacturing</b>	<b>20 551</b>	<b>21 711</b>	<b>20 969</b>	<b>22 499</b>	<b>24 356</b>
21 Food, beverage and tobacco	956	1 037	913	928	1 033
22 Textile, clothing, footwear and leather	1 600	1 477	1 598	1 365	1 837
23 Wood and paper products	683	725	712	714	799
24 Printing, publishing and recorded media	466	514	419	491	580
25 Petroleum, coal, chemical and associated products	3 262	3 424	3 511	3 577	3 668
26 Non-metallic mineral products	278	295	283	303	336
27 Metal products	1 468	1 665	2 009	2 161	2 301
28 Machinery and equipment	11 125	11 870	10 968	12 152	12 878
29 Other manufacturing	712	704	556	809	923
<b>Other industries(a)</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>119</b>
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 821</b>	<b>23 042</b>	<b>22 252</b>	<b>23 554</b>	<b>25 633</b>

(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	September quarter 1997	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>Food and beverages</b>	<b>4 316</b>	<b>4 724</b>	<b>3 869</b>	<b>3 959</b>	<b>4 055</b>
<i>Primary</i>	1 651	1 793	1 785	1 705	1 705
Mainly for industry	1 182	1 360	1 414	1 260	1 230
Mainly for household consumption	469	433	371	445	475
<i>Processed</i>	2 665	2 931	2 084	2 254	2 350
Mainly for industry	858	760	253	250	251
Mainly for household consumption	1 807	2 171	1 830	2 004	2 099
<b>Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified</b>	<b>9 051</b>	<b>9 746</b>	<b>8 848</b>	<b>10 267</b>	<b>10 111</b>
Primary	3 708	3 822	3 039	3 742	3 598
Processed	5 343	5 924	5 809	6 525	6 513
<b>Fuels and lubricants</b>	<b>3 848</b>	<b>4 036</b>	<b>3 674</b>	<b>3 793</b>	<b>3 922</b>
Primary	2 911	2 936	2 720	2 964	3 064
<i>Processed</i>	938	1 100	954	829	858
Motor spirit	80	94	74	74	75
Other	857	1 006	880	755	783
<b>Capital goods (except transport equipment), and parts and accessories thereof</b>	<b>1 986</b>	<b>2 102</b>	<b>1 620</b>	<b>1 957</b>	<b>1 796</b>
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	947	1 041	778	1 067	925
Parts and accessories	1 040	1 061	842	890	870
<b>Transport equipment and parts and accessories thereof</b>	<b>1 038</b>	<b>1 097</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>1 237</b>	<b>977</b>
Passenger motor cars	226	350	216	209	349
<i>Other</i>	245	223	139	562	141
Industrial	211	200	123	505	119
Non-industrial	34	22	16	57	22
Parts and accessories	567	524	431	466	487
<b>Consumer goods not elsewhere specified</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>862</b>
Durable	139	160	128	144	156
Semi-durable	249	239	202	220	239
Non-durable	445	436	388	420	466
<b>Goods not elsewhere specified(a)(b)</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>878</b>	<b>1 106</b>
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 522</b>	<b>23 084</b>	<b>20 283</b>	<b>22 876</b>	<b>22 827</b>

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

(b) Includes \$35 million of exports for September 1998 which cannot yet be allocated by commodity.



## IMPORTS, By Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

Broad Economic Categories	September quarter 1997	December quarter 1997	March quarter 1998	June quarter 1998	September quarter 1998
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>Food and beverages</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>1 091</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>1 060</b>
<i>Primary</i>	221	270	247	239	244
Mainly for industry	88	85	94	82	82
Mainly for household consumption	133	184	152	157	161
<i>Processed</i>	765	821	725	728	817
Mainly for industry	103	94	93	92	104
Mainly for household consumption	662	728	632	637	713
<b>Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified</b>	<b>5 360</b>	<b>5 705</b>	<b>6 150</b>	<b>6 256</b>	<b>6 577</b>
Primary	239	237	226	241	251
Processed	5 121	5 468	5 924	6 015	6 327
<b>Fuels and lubricants</b>	<b>1 145</b>	<b>1 160</b>	<b>1 090</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>1 031</b>
Primary	866	923	869	673	856
<i>Processed</i>	278	236	221	170	176
Motor spirit	22	6	37	4	2
Other	257	231	183	167	173
<b>Capital goods (except transport equipment), and parts and accessories thereof</b>	<b>6 643</b>	<b>7 049</b>	<b>6 480</b>	<b>7 186</b>	<b>7 495</b>
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	4 440	4 677	4 254	4 815	5 021
Parts and accessories	2 203	2 371	2 226	2 371	2 474
<b>Transport equipment and parts and accessories thereof</b>	<b>3 626</b>	<b>3 848</b>	<b>3 779</b>	<b>4 203</b>	<b>4 444</b>
Passenger motor cars	1 553	1 540	1 657	1 725	1 603
<i>Other</i>	748	1 026	815	1 025	1 220
Industrial	609	837	661	884	1 037
Non-industrial	139	189	154	141	183
Parts and accessories	1 325	1 282	1 306	1 453	1 621
<b>Consumer goods not elsewhere specified</b>	<b>3 988</b>	<b>4 110</b>	<b>3 675</b>	<b>3 993</b>	<b>4 891</b>
Durable	1 042	1 179	934	1 244	1 323
Semi-durable	1 629	1 609	1 515	1 391	1 931
Non-durable	1 316	1 322	1 226	1 358	1 637
<b>Goods not elsewhere specified(a)</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>134</b>
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>21 821</b>	<b>23 042</b>	<b>22 252</b>	<b>23 554</b>	<b>25 633</b>

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

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

SITC code and commodity description	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals(d)</b>	<b>8 018</b>	<b>8 033</b>	<b>8 523</b>	<b>9 884</b>	<b>9 252</b>	<b>9 716</b>
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
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>366</b>
11 Beverages	133	234	226	225	289	346
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	19	24	21	17	21	21
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(d)</b>	<b>9 897</b>	<b>12 227</b>	<b>14 135</b>	<b>13 537</b>	<b>13 398</b>	<b>13 617</b>
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
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>	<b>7 309</b>	<b>6 882</b>	<b>6 434</b>	<b>8 419</b>	<b>10 706</b>	<b>10 878</b>
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
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(d)</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>136</b>
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
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(d)</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>1 076</b>	<b>1 261</b>	<b>1 377</b>	<b>1 662</b>
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

SITC code and commodity description	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals(d)</b>	<b>11 679</b>	<b>12 967</b>	<b>12 565</b>	<b>15 272</b>	<b>16 311</b>	<b>16 040</b>
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	247	323	452	660	706	630
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	5 094
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
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>1 059</b>
11 Beverages	385	474	508	605	715	994
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	32	32	44	43	67	65
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(d)</b>	<b>13 112</b>	<b>12 917</b>	<b>14 073</b>	<b>14 752</b>	<b>15 615</b>	<b>17 878</b>
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
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>	<b>12 102</b>	<b>11 116</b>	<b>11 242</b>	<b>12 591</b>	<b>13 705</b>	<b>15 400</b>
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	3 845
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	1 236	1 185	1 355	1 562	1 895	1 968
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(d)</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>333</b>
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
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(d)</b>	<b>1 996</b>	<b>2 351</b>	<b>2 679</b>	<b>3 015</b>	<b>3 045</b>	<b>3 297</b>
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	290
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	162
59 Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	324	408	405	423	455	442

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

SITC code and commodity description	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(d)</b>	<b>3 841</b>	<b>4 897</b>	<b>5 845</b>	<b>6 073</b>	<b>6 404</b>	<b>6 690</b>
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
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment</b>	<b>2 612</b>	<b>2 706</b>	<b>2 780</b>	<b>3 684</b>	<b>4 630</b>	<b>5 033</b>
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
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>1 031</b>	<b>1 050</b>	<b>1 381</b>	<b>1 319</b>	<b>1 619</b>
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
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(e)</b>	<b>2 337</b>	<b>3 643</b>	<b>3 794</b>	<b>4 479</b>	<b>4 865</b>	<b>5 309</b>
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
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>35 806</b>	<b>40 721</b>	<b>44 007</b>	<b>49 078</b>	<b>52 399</b>	<b>55 027</b>

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

SITC code and commodity description	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(d)</b>	<b>7 341</b>	<b>7 911</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>9 844</b>	<b>9 257</b>	<b>10 594</b>
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	166
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	5 374
69 Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	551	625	694	725	785	731
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment</b>	<b>6 415</b>	<b>7 502</b>	<b>8 138</b>	<b>9 720</b>	<b>10 683</b>	<b>11 111</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	615	586	732	826	914	987
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	695	822	924	1 078	1 160	1 162
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	1 724
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	1 295
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	1 827
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	<b>1 887</b>	<b>2 106</b>	<b>2 314</b>	<b>2 718</b>	<b>2 827</b>	<b>3 185</b>
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	797
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
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(e)</b>	<b>5 562</b>	<b>6 965</b>	<b>6 205</b>	<b>7 208</b>	<b>6 476</b>	<b>8 867</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	219	348	413	459	517	529
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
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>60 702</b>	<b>64 548</b>	<b>67 052</b>	<b>76 005</b>	<b>78 932</b>	<b>87 764</b>

(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)

SITC code and commodity description	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals</b>	<b>1 612</b>	<b>1 669</b>	<b>1 833</b>	<b>1 898</b>	<b>1 916</b>	<b>2 058</b>
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
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>392</b>
11 Beverages	211	234	273	304	293	281
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	116	111	92	92	103	111
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	<b>1 083</b>	<b>1 323</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>1 539</b>	<b>1 220</b>	<b>1 280</b>
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
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</b>	<b>1 749</b>	<b>2 039</b>	<b>2 014</b>	<b>2 540</b>	<b>3 129</b>	<b>2 731</b>
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
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(d)</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>150</b>
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
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(d)</b>	<b>3 472</b>	<b>4 290</b>	<b>4 985</b>	<b>5 235</b>	<b>5 118</b>	<b>5 575</b>
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

SITC code and commodity description	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>0 Food and live animals</b>	<b>2 228</b>	<b>2 478</b>	<b>2 821</b>	<b>2 894</b>	<b>2 985</b>	<b>3 460</b>
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
<b>1 Beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>575</b>
11 Beverages	319	332	336	339	351	428
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	119	135	186	165	152	146
<b>2 Crude materials, inedible, except fuels(d)</b>	<b>1 506</b>	<b>1 595</b>	<b>1 794</b>	<b>1 576</b>	<b>1 487</b>	<b>1 604</b>
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	137
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
<b>3 Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials(d)</b>	<b>3 857</b>	<b>3 441</b>	<b>3 668</b>	<b>4 312</b>	<b>5 164</b>	<b>4 409</b>
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	4 310
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	21	23	38	59	97	75
<b>4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes(d)</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>258</b>
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
<b>5 Chemical and related products, n.e.s.(d)</b>	<b>6 625</b>	<b>7 045</b>	<b>8 009</b>	<b>8 901</b>	<b>9 028</b>	<b>10 276</b>
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

SITC code and commodity description	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-1991	1991-92
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(d)</b>	<b>6 185</b>	<b>7 104</b>	<b>7 954</b>	<b>8 219</b>	<b>7 396</b>	<b>7 884</b>
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
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(d)</b>	<b>15 389</b>	<b>16 381</b>	<b>20 623</b>	<b>23 452</b>	<b>21 687</b>	<b>21 995</b>
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
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(d)</b>	<b>5 185</b>	<b>5 590</b>	<b>6 429</b>	<b>6 880</b>	<b>6 955</b>	<b>7 768</b>
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
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(e)</b>	<b>1 894</b>	<b>1 748</b>	<b>1 112</b>	<b>1 050</b>	<b>966</b>	<b>1 150</b>
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
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>36 988</b>	<b>40 597</b>	<b>47 040</b>	<b>51 333</b>	<b>48 912</b>	<b>50 984</b>



SITC code and commodity description	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material(d)</b>	<b>8 779</b>	<b>9 445</b>	<b>10 908</b>	<b>11 039</b>	<b>10 724</b>	<b>12 531</b>
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	2 522
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
<b>7 Machinery and transport equipment(d)</b>	<b>25 911</b>	<b>28 911</b>	<b>35 160</b>	<b>36 458</b>	<b>36 782</b>	<b>41 921</b>
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	1 605	1 690	1 769	1 998	1 895	2 054
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	580
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	6 957
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	2 347	2 538	3 362	3 759	3 669	3 985
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	5 427
78 Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	6 161	7 108	8 678	7 980	8 579	11 298
79 Transport equipment (excluding road vehicles)	2 154	1 620	2 050	2 487	2 443	1 936
<b>8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles(d)</b>	<b>8 918</b>	<b>9 798</b>	<b>10 708</b>	<b>11 035</b>	<b>11 349</b>	<b>13 458</b>
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
<b>9 Commodities and transactions n.e.c. in the SITC(e)</b>	<b>1 122</b>	<b>1 086</b>	<b>797</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>2 178</b>
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	30	31	25	28	32	43
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
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>59 575</b>	<b>64 470</b>	<b>74 619</b>	<b>77 792</b>	<b>78 998</b>	<b>90 670</b>

(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
<b>Association of South East</b>												
<b>Asian Nations (ASEAN)</b>	2 410	3 085	3 875	5 110	6 388	7 337	8 780	9 038	10 439	11 717	12 257	11 502
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	1 162
Singapore	779	1 190	1 446	1 985	2 769	3 189	3 787	3 197	3 643	3 556	3 410	3 696
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
<b>European Union (EU)</b>	5 837	6 455	6 385	7 083	6 608	7 148	7 341	7 605	7 498	8 464	8 171	10 242
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	863
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	1 751
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
<b>Other countries</b>												
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	1 277
China	1 592	1 230	1 257	1 171	1 348	1 458	2 268	2 590	2 964	3 781	3 584	3 874
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	17 587
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	5 661
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	7 793
Other countries	3 150	3 187	3 899	4 015	2 707	2 977	3 159	3 495	3 198	3 954	4 857	5 736
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	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>35 806</b>	<b>40 721</b>	<b>44 007</b>	<b>49 078</b>	<b>52 399</b>	<b>55 027</b>	<b>60 702</b>	<b>64 548</b>	<b>67 052</b>	<b>76 005</b>	<b>78 932</b>	<b>87 764</b>

(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
<b>Association of South East</b>												
<b>Asian Nations (ASEAN)</b>	<b>1 926</b>	<b>2 585</b>	<b>2 837</b>	<b>2 983</b>	<b>3 484</b>	<b>4 119</b>	<b>5 018</b>	<b>5 303</b>	<b>6 418</b>	<b>7 372</b>	<b>8 300</b>	<b>10 489</b>
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	2 641
Thailand	284	331	420	479	505	647	756	794	970	1 005	1 201	1 474
Viet Nam	17	20	21	17	18	79	237	291	295	329	433	664
<b>European Union (EU)</b>	<b>9 877</b>	<b>10 987</b>	<b>12 156</b>	<b>12 732</b>	<b>11 951</b>	<b>11 685</b>	<b>13 258</b>	<b>14 582</b>	<b>18 218</b>	<b>19 388</b>	<b>19 666</b>	<b>21 825</b>
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	2 030
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	2 615
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
<b>Other countries</b>												
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	1 450
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	3 759
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	634
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	494
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	19 832
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	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total trade</b>	<b>36 988</b>	<b>40 597</b>	<b>47 040</b>	<b>51 333</b>	<b>48 912</b>	<b>50 984</b>	<b>59 575</b>	<b>64 470</b>	<b>74 619</b>	<b>77 792</b>	<b>78 998</b>	<b>90 670</b>

(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, Australia: Summary of Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5351.0).

### 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* (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 for 1985–86 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* (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* (5302.0)—issued quarterly
  - *Balance of Payments, Australia: Summary of Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5351.0)—irregular issue
  - *Export Price Index, Australia* (6405.0)—issued quarterly
  - *Import Price Index, Australia* (6414.0)—issued quarterly
  - *International Merchandise Imports, Australia* (5439.0)—issued monthly
  - *International Trade in Goods and Services, Australia* (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* (1302.0) and the *Australian Economic Indicators* (1350.0).
- 34** Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Release Advice* (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  
Philippines(a)  
Singapore(a)  
Taiwan(a)  
Thailand(a)  
United States of America

### 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  
Congo  
Cook Islands

### Developing Countries (DCs)(b) *continued*

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  
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

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