

# **INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE IMPORTS** AUSTRALIA

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## APRIL IMPORTS

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Food and live animals	291
Beverages and tobacco	46
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	120
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	426
Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	24
Chemical and related products n.e.s.	958
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	985
Machinery and transport equipment	3 702
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1 072
Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in SITC	76
<b>Total imports</b>	<b>7 702</b>

## NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

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

### DETAILED DATA

More detailed merchandise imports data, including dissections by commodity and country of origin, are available from Client Services Statistical Support on Canberra 02 6252 5400. This information can also be provided on subscription.

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

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