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U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES - SEPTEMBER 2005 -

U.S. import prices increased 2.3 percent in September, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today, the largest monthly advance since October 1990. Higher prices for both petroleum and nonpetroleum imports contributed to the increase. Export prices rose 0.9 percent in September following a modest 0.1 percent decline in August.

Gulf Coast Hurricanes

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita had virtually no impact on data collection efforts or survey response rates and no changes in estimation procedures were necessary.

Percent changes in import and export price indexes by End Use category - not seasonally adjusted -

Month	IMPORTS			EXPORTS		
	All Imports	Petroleum Imports	Non-petroleum Imports	All Exports	Agricultural Exports	Nonagricultural Exports
<u>2004</u>						
September	0.5	3.3	0.1	0.4	1.8	0.3
October	1.6	11.1	-0.1	0.6	-1.1	0.8
November	-0.3	-6.0	0.9	0.3	0.3	0.3
December	-1.4	-11.4	0.4	0.1	-1.1	0.2
<u>2005</u>						
January	0.6	2.2	0.3	0.8	0.6	0.8
February	0.9	5.1	0.1	0.1	-0.5	0.1
March	2.2	13.4	0.3	0.7	3.8	0.4
April	0.9	3.6	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.6
May	-0.8	-4.4	-0.2	-0.2	2.0	-0.5
June	1.2	8.9 r	-0.2	0.0 r	1.0 r	-0.1 r
July	1.2 r	7.6 r	-0.2	0.1	0.0 r	0.2 r
August	1.2 r	6.0 r	0.1 r	-0.1	-0.5 r	-0.1
September	2.3	7.3	1.2	0.9	-1.4	1.1
September 2003-04	8.2	53.5	2.9	4.0	2.5	4.3
September 2004-05	9.9	48.9	3.0	3.8	3.4	3.8

r = revised to reflect late reports and corrections by respondents.

Import Goods

September import prices rose 2.3 percent following three consecutive 1.2 percent increases. For the fourth month in a row, the price index for petroleum recorded its highest level since the index was first published in 1982, moving up a further 7.3 percent in September. Petroleum prices rose 48.9 percent over the past 12 months after increasing 53.5 percent for the September 2003-2004 period. In addition, nonpetroleum import prices increased 1.2 percent in September, the largest one-month rise for that index since monthly publication began in December 1988. Import prices excluding all fuels rose 0.4 percent for the month. Prices for nonpetroleum imports advanced 3.0 percent for the year ended in September, while overall import prices rose 9.9 percent over the same period.

A 5.0 percent increase for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials prices drove the advance in nonpetroleum prices. The rise in nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials prices was led by a jump in natural gas prices, although higher prices for chemicals, building materials, and some metals were also contributing factors. The price index for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials increased 11.3 percent over the past year.

Prices for consumer goods and for foods, feeds, and beverages also rose in September, increasing 0.3 percent and 0.7 percent, respectively. The increase in consumer goods prices followed 0.2 percent declines in July and August. For the year ended in September, the index rose 1.4 percent. The price index for foods, feeds, and beverages increased for the second consecutive month and 5.6 percent over the past year. Prices for automotive vehicles ticked up 0.1 percent for the second month in a row, and rose 0.9 percent for the year ended in September.

Capital goods prices were unchanged in September after recording no change in August. Led by lower computer prices, prices of capital goods fell 0.3 percent over the past 12 months.

Export Goods

Export prices rose 0.9 percent in September as higher nonagricultural prices more than offset a decline in agricultural prices. The September increase was the largest monthly gain since April 1995. Nonagricultural export prices rose 1.1 percent in September, the largest increase for that index since October 1990. For the year, the index rose 3.8 percent. In contrast, the price index for agricultural exports fell 1.4 percent in September after a 0.5 percent decrease in August. Despite the recent declines, agricultural prices increased 3.4 percent over the past 12 months. For the same period, overall export prices rose 3.8 percent.

The price index for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials increased 3.6 percent in September, led by an 18.1 percent jump in export fuel prices. Higher prices for plastics, other chemicals, and metals also contributed to the increase. Nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials prices rose 12.5 percent for the year ended in September.

Each of the major finished goods categories increased in September. Consumer goods prices advanced 0.3 percent for the month and 0.9 percent over the past year. Prices for capital goods and for automotive vehicles each rose 0.1 percent in September. Despite the modest upturn, capital goods prices declined 0.1 percent over the past 12 months, while prices for automotive vehicles increased 1.2 percent.

Imports by Locality of Origin

Import prices from Canada rose 4.5 percent in September, the largest monthly gain for the index since January 2001. The increase was led by a 13.4 percent jump in nonmanufactured goods that resulted largely from higher fuel prices. Prices of imports from Canada rose 12.2 percent for the September 2004-2005 period.

The price indexes of imports from the European Union and from Mexico were also impacted by rising fuel prices, increasing 1.4 percent and 1.0 percent, respectively, in September. The increase in import prices from Europe followed 0.1 percent declines in July and August, while the index rose 5.0 percent over the past 12 months. Import prices from Mexico increased 8.5 percent for the year ended in September.

Prices for imports from Japan also advanced in September, rising 0.2 percent for the month and 0.8 percent over the past year. In contrast, import prices from China declined for the third time in the past four months, decreasing 0.2 percent in September. Prices of imports from China declined 1.2 percent over the past 12 months.

Import and Export Services

Import air passenger fares declined 5.3 percent in September, following a 0.8 percent decrease in August. Notwithstanding the recent declines, the index rose 2.5 percent for the year ended in September. The index for export air passenger fares also decreased in September, falling 9.9 percent. Export fares had increased in each of the previous two months, up 8.1 percent and 5.2 percent, respectively, and advanced 7.2 percent over the past year.

Prices for import air freight increased 0.9 percent between June and September after a downturn of 0.2 percent the previous quarter. The index rose 7.9 percent over the past year. Export air freight prices advanced 3.1 percent in the third quarter of 2005. The price index for export air freight has increased each quarter since the June-September period of 2003, and rose 13.2 percent for the year ended in September.

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 Import and Export Price Index data for October are scheduled for release on November 9 at 8:30 A.M. (E.S.T.).

Table 1 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

END USE	Description	Relative Importance August 2005 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			August 2005	September 2005	Annual Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	Monthly			
						May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	111.8	114.4	9.9	1.2	1.2	1.2	2.3
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	80.492	101.9	103.1	3.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.1	1.2
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100).....	78.260	104.6	105.0	1.5	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	0.4
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	4.517	114.0	114.8	5.6	-1.2	-0.5	0.4	0.7
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	3.325	122.4	123.4	6.0	-1.6	-1.2	0.3	0.8
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	1.192	95.3	95.7	4.7	-0.1	1.2	1.2	0.4
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	35.152	156.8	166.5	29.6	4.1	4.2	3.4	6.2
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	15.644	121.2	127.3	11.3	-0.7	0.3	0.5	5.0
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100).....	13.412	127.1	128.8	3.8	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	1.3
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	8.109	117.8	119.0	1.0	0.1	-1.0	-0.6	1.0
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	7.534	125.1	136.7	24.0	-1.5	2.0	1.6	9.3
10	Fuels & lubricants.....	21.741	201.9	220.5	50.8	7.3	7.2	5.8	9.2
100	Petroleum & petroleum products.....	19.509	207.0	222.1	48.9	8.9	7.6	6.0	7.3
10000	Crude.....	14.672	211.2	218.7	43.9	10.3	8.0	6.9	3.6
11	Paper & paper base stocks.....	0.957	104.3	105.0	3.9	-0.7	1.0	-0.5	0.7
12	Materials associated with nondurable supplies & materials.....	4.455	115.9	118.3	9.5	-0.3	1.0	1.1	2.1
13	Selected building materials.....	1.973	114.5	117.4	-6.5	2.0	-2.8	-0.3	2.5
14	Unfinished metals related to durable goods.....	3.069	137.0	138.0	3.7	-1.0	-0.9	-1.2	0.7
15	Finished metals related to durable goods.....	1.429	117.1	117.3	4.4	-0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2
16	Nonmetals related to durable goods.....	1.529	100.3	100.5	1.7	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	0.2
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	20.751	91.7	91.7	-0.3	-0.1	-0.7	0.0	0.0
20	Electric generating equipment.....	2.464	98.4	99.1	1.7	0.0	-0.3	-0.1	0.7
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	16.447	89.0	89.0	-0.9	-0.1	-0.8	-0.1	0.0
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100).....	1.840	106.4	106.6	2.6	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.2
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	15.403	103.5	103.6	0.9	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	24.177	99.5	99.8	1.4	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.3
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	12.052	103.0	103.1	2.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1
41	Durables, manufactured.....	10.942	96.0	96.3	0.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.2	0.3
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods.....	1.183	98.7	100.2	2.3	-1.2	-1.7	-1.4	1.5

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.

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Table 2 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

END USE	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			August 2005	September 2005	Annual	Monthly			
					Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	106.7	107.7	3.8	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.9
	AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	9.038	123.3	121.6	3.4	1.0	0.0	-0.5	-1.4
	NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	90.962	105.5	106.7	3.8	-0.1	0.2	-0.1	1.1
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	8.289	125.1	122.9	3.5	1.3	0.2	-0.2	-1.8
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	7.500	125.1	122.7	2.8	1.5	0.1	-0.5	-1.9
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	0.789	124.7	124.1	9.8	-0.6	2.0	1.8	-0.5
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	29.091	123.5	127.7	12.0	-0.3	0.9	0.1	3.4
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	10.462	122.8	123.6	6.6	-0.6	0.2	-0.1	0.7
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE.....	18.629	124.0	130.2	15.3	-0.2	1.4	0.2	5.0
10	Agricultural industrial supplies & materials.....	1.538	114.9	116.4	6.4	-1.1	0.0	-0.8	1.3
	NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	27.553	124.1	128.6	12.5	-0.2	1.0	0.1	3.6
11	Fuels & lubricants.....	3.942	156.6	185.0	52.3	2.6	6.2	-0.9	18.1
12	Nonagricultural supplies & materials excluding fuels & building materials.....	22.453	121.2	122.7	7.3	-0.8	0.2	0.2	1.2
13	Selected building materials.....	1.158	105.8	105.7	1.6	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	39.470	97.6	97.7	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	0.1
20	Electrical generating equipment.....	3.784	102.8	102.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1	0.0
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	28.845	92.8	92.8	-1.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.5	0.0
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100).....	6.841	112.2	112.4	3.8	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	11.044	103.6	103.7	1.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	12.072	101.6	101.9	0.9	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.3
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	6.016	101.0	101.3	0.3	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.3
41	Durables, manufactured.....	5.244	101.6	101.9	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.811	104.1	104.1	2.8	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0

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Table 3 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

SITC Rev. 3	Description	Relative Import- ance August 2005 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			August 2005	September 2005	Annual Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	Monthly			
						May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	111.8	114.4	9.9	1.2	1.2	1.2	2.3
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	3.513	113.8	114.4	4.8	-1.8	-0.7	0.6	0.5
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	0.404	139.4	140.5	4.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3	0.8
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.878	90.6	91.9	6.9	0.0	1.8	1.3	1.4
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	0.843	109.0	109.2	0.0	-7.0	-2.2	2.3	0.2
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof.....	0.464	118.7	119.6	13.3	1.3	-5.7	-1.5	0.8
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.924	130.5	130.2	3.6	-0.9	0.5	-0.4	-0.2
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.905	108.8	109.1	2.7	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3
11	Beverages.....	0.813	109.4	109.6	2.7	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	1.799	127.1	131.4	-2.7	-1.1	-1.7	-0.9	3.4
24	Cork and wood.....	0.640	120.8	124.5	-17.6	3.6	-3.7	-1.2	3.1
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.216	102.8	102.2	-3.1	-3.9	0.6	-1.3	-0.6
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	0.392	185.5	193.1	18.8	-2.9	2.2	3.1	4.1
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.....	0.183	90.4	103.0	4.4	-9.0	-9.8	-10.3	13.9
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	21.055	203.5	221.2	50.7	7.6	7.3	5.9	8.7
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials....	19.009	208.8	222.4	48.8	9.2	7.8	6.2	6.5
34	Gas, natural and manufactured.....	2.046	161.9	208.6	71.1	-6.0	5.9	2.9	28.8
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	8.316	114.0	115.6	8.3	-0.7	1.2	0.2	1.4
51	Organic chemicals.....	2.771	114.1	116.7	10.0	-2.1	3.2	0.4	2.3
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.710	143.2	143.3	15.5	2.3	1.7	1.9	0.1
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials.....	0.187	102.0	102.0	3.7	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.0
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	2.477	110.2	110.6	3.8	-0.1	0.2	-0.3	0.4
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	0.408	96.0	96.0	2.8	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.0
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	0.642	123.5	125.6	14.6	-1.4	0.3	-1.6	1.7
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.366	106.6	107.0	3.1	0.3	-0.5	-0.1	0.4
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	0.544	102.3	102.3	8.4	-0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.0
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	11.281	112.0	112.8	3.6	0.0	-0.4	-0.3	0.7
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.654	104.3	104.4	3.6	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.1
63	Cork and wood manufactures other than furniture.....	0.734	109.3	115.9	-0.6	2.6	-6.3	0.5	6.0
64	Paper and paperboard, cut to size.....	1.200	103.7	104.3	6.5	0.4	1.7	-0.1	0.6
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related prod.....	1.298	103.7	104.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	0.4
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	2.041	101.5	101.7	1.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.2
67	Iron and steel.....	1.444	155.3	152.0	-3.4	-0.2	-2.4	-1.7	-2.1
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.814	118.3	121.2	14.0	-0.9	0.9	-0.4	2.5
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	2.010	108.3	108.9	4.8	-0.2	0.0	-0.3	0.6

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7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	37.105	94.6	94.6	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	0.0
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	2.428	104.0	104.0	2.6	-0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	1.607	110.7	111.0	3.4	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.3
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.430	118.3	119.1	10.3	-0.1	-1.1	-0.5	0.7
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & machine parts, n.e.s.....	2.974	107.1	107.2	2.8	0.0	0.2	-0.3	0.1
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	4.982	69.2	69.0	-6.6	-0.3	-1.8	0.0	-0.3
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	4.691	81.1	80.9	-3.5	0.0	-0.7	-0.5	-0.2
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	5.865	94.0	94.0	-0.6	-0.1	-0.5	0.1	0.0
78	Road vehicles.....	12.830	104.0	104.1	1.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	15.611	100.9	101.3	1.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.4
81	Prefabricated buildings; plumbing, heat & lighting fixtures, n.e.s.....	0.439	96.3	96.3	3.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	1.870	106.5	106.4	3.2	-0.2	-0.4	0.5	-0.1
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers.....	0.364	105.9	106.0	2.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	0.1
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	4.913	100.6	100.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2
85	Footwear.....	1.136	100.8	100.8	0.3	0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.0
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	1.737	101.2	101.5	1.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.3
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	0.825	97.9	98.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.4	0.2
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.327	99.3	100.3	1.7	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	1.0

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2 Product categories included in this group have been modified due to concordance or coverage limitations.

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	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	106.7	107.7	3.8	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.9
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	6.683	124.3	124.0	5.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.2
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	1.298	139.1	143.4	14.9	0.1	-1.6	0.9	3.1
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.490	115.4	115.3	6.0	0.1	2.6	2.1	-0.1
04	Cereals and cereal preparations.....	1.615	118.4	116.9	-4.2	2.2	1.5	-1.7	-1.3
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	1.613	131.8	128.9	7.6	-2.8	-1.1	-0.2	-2.2
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals).....	0.617	120.6	120.4	9.7	1.1	1.5	0.6	-0.2
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations.....	0.504	108.0	107.8	5.6	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.547	115.1	115.1	5.7	4.5	-0.5	1.1	0.0
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.685	103.5	103.6	1.9	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.1
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures.....	0.420	101.7	101.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	5.569	129.7	127.0	6.4	1.4	0.0	-0.5	-2.1
22	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits.....	1.225	135.7	121.7	-2.7	6.9	0.4	-1.0	-10.3
24	Cork and wood.....	0.505	96.9	96.8	-2.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.643	99.0	99.1	0.4	-0.3	-1.6	-0.9	0.1
26	Textile fibers and their waste.....	0.609	103.3	104.8	2.6	-1.8	1.2	-1.0	1.5
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	1.454	210.8	209.6	17.4	0.3	0.6	-1.6	-0.6
<u>2/</u>	Other crude materials, inedible, except fuels.....	1.133	130.0	131.4	11.9	0.5	-0.6	1.9	1.1
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	3.305	192.3	231.7	64.1	4.0	6.9	-0.6	20.5
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials....	2.509	197.0	239.3	73.4	5.8	6.1	-1.6	21.5
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	14.911	116.9	118.7	8.2	-0.9	0.5	0.5	1.5
51	Organic chemicals.....	3.661	133.1	136.0	12.9	-1.8	2.3	1.2	2.2
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.970	121.8	122.3	13.7	0.1	1.6	-0.8	0.4
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	2.668	106.9	107.2	-0.7	-0.3	-0.6	-0.1	0.3
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	1.078	112.3	112.6	6.6	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.3
56	Fertilizers.....	0.469	156.2	162.1	12.6	0.5	1.3	3.4	3.8
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	2.630	123.3	128.4	16.8	-2.2	-0.2	1.1	4.1
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.943	104.2	104.9	7.7	0.0	0.5	0.4	0.7
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	1.880	105.8	105.9	0.4	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1	0.1
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	10.466	113.6	114.1	3.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.4
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.708	116.2	117.0	5.0	0.1	0.9	-0.3	0.7
64	Uncoated Paper/paperboard, and linerboard.....	1.458	103.3	103.4	0.7	0.3	-0.5	-0.1	0.1
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, and made-up articles, n.e.s.....	1.615	111.9	111.9	5.9	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.0
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	1.579	104.0	104.1	3.7	1.0	0.6	-0.1	0.1
67	Iron and steel.....	1.319	153.3	156.0	-6.5	-2.4	-2.8	-0.5	1.8
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.199	107.0	108.5	9.6	-2.2	0.5	0.4	1.4
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	2.187	118.7	118.8	6.5	-0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1

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Table 4 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

SITC Rev. 3	Description	Relative Import- ance August 2005 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			August 2005	September 2005	Annual Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	Monthly			
						May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
<u>2/</u>	Other manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.401	117.4	116.9	-0.8	-0.3	-0.9	-0.1	-0.4
7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	46.336	98.1	98.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	-0.3	0.0
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	4.546	111.1	111.2	2.0	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.1
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	3.643	111.5	111.8	5.4	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.3
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.604	103.6	103.6	2.6	-0.1	-0.4	0.3	0.0
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & parts, n.e.s.....	4.678	109.2	109.3	3.8	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.1
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	5.067	80.1	80.2	-6.7	-0.4	-1.4	0.4	0.1
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	3.083	89.5	89.5	-1.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	11.045	85.2	85.1	-3.4	0.1	-0.8	-1.7	-0.1
78	Road vehicles.....	8.657	103.3	103.4	1.0	-0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	10.983	102.2	102.5	1.3	-0.3	0.1	0.0	0.3
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	0.595	104.5	104.6	1.8	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	0.748	96.3	96.6	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	0.3
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	4.257	103.5	103.6	1.8	0.0	0.5	-0.1	0.1
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	0.921	95.5	95.9	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	-0.2	0.4
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.091	103.0	103.5	1.2	-0.8	0.0	0.1	0.5
<u>2/</u>	Other miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.371	109.0	109.0	0.6	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	0.0

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.

2 Product categories included in this group have been modified due to concordance or coverage limitations.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
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Table 5 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance August 2005 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			August 2005	September 2005	Annual	Monthly			
					Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.390	114.6	115.3	4.5	-1.0	1.2	0.5	0.6
02	Meat and edible meat offal.....	0.357	139.0	139.1	0.7	-0.7	0.1	0.1	0.1
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.712	91.6	92.5	9.3	0.2	2.3	1.4	1.0
<u>2/</u>	Other live animals; animal products.....	0.321	147.2	147.1	-3.6	-3.6	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	1.130	109.9	111.4	5.7	-5.2	-5.6	-0.5	1.4
07	Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers.....	0.311	141.3	149.2	17.9	-16.2	-2.9	6.3	5.6
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.294	87.3	83.7	-13.4	-0.6	-3.3	0.7	-4.1
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices.....	0.250	110.9	109.2	19.1	4.1	-10.0	-2.5	-1.5
<u>2/</u>	Other vegetable products.....	0.274	109.8	115.4	6.3	-5.3	-6.2	-6.6	5.1
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.149	114.8	115.4	3.9	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.5
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.237	101.6	101.8	-0.9	-0.8	0.7	0.3	0.2
22	Beverages, spirits, and vinegar.....	0.826	107.1	107.3	2.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
<u>2/</u>	Other prepared foodstuffs.....	1.086	124.9	125.9	6.2	0.1	0.6	0.5	0.8
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	21.556	201.7	219.0	49.9	7.5	6.9	5.9	8.6
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	21.250	201.4	219.0	50.6	7.6	7.0	6.0	8.7
<u>2/</u>	Other mineral products (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.306	124.7	124.9	12.7	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.2
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	7.539	113.4	115.4	8.4	-0.8	1.5	0.4	1.8
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.750	139.8	140.0	15.3	2.2	1.3	2.4	0.1
29	Organic chemicals.....	3.049	113.8	116.8	10.0	-2.4	3.5	0.4	2.6
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.192	111.1	111.5	5.4	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.4
32	Tanning & dyeing extracts; dye & pigments; varnish & paints; putty.....	0.190	102.7	102.7	4.8	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.0
33	Essential oils and resinoids (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.353	107.8	107.8	2.4	0.1	0.0	1.6	0.0
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	0.376	93.2	93.2	1.0	-0.5	-0.3	-0.5	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other products of the chemical or allied industries.....	0.490	128.3	139.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	-0.1	8.3
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	2.705	113.2	114.0	6.1	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.7
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	1.811	112.8	113.7	6.5	-0.3	-0.4	-0.7	0.8
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	0.894	113.9	114.5	5.5	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.5
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.651	103.8	103.8	2.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
42	Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials.....	0.557	103.8	103.9	1.9	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.1
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	1.415	118.5	123.0	-9.0	2.5	-4.3	-0.3	3.8
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	1.700	103.4	103.8	4.2	-0.3	1.4	-0.3	0.4
47	Pulp wood or other fibrous cellulosic material; waste paper/paperboard.....	0.213	102.4	101.8	-3.0	-3.9	0.5	-1.3	-0.6
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.204	102.7	103.3	6.6	0.4	1.8	-0.2	0.6
49	Printed matter.....	0.283	112.3	112.4	0.4	-0.4	0.3	0.0	0.1
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	5.825	100.4	100.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted.....	2.129	99.7	99.9	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2

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Table 5 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			August 2005	September 2005	Annual	Monthly			
					Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted.....	2.389	99.8	100.0	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2
63	Made-up or worn textile articles.....	0.471	92.6	92.8	-1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
<u>2/</u>	Other textile & textile articles.....	0.836	107.5	107.9	1.0	-0.5	-0.4	-0.3	0.4
XII	HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC.....	1.344	100.2	100.2	0.3	0.0	0.4	-0.1	0.0
64	Footwear and parts of such articles.....	1.133	100.6	100.6	0.3	0.0	0.4	-0.1	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other footwear, headgear, umbrellas, whips, art. flowers, etc.....	0.211	97.6	97.6	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.956	105.1	105.4	1.3	0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.3
68	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.295	99.4	99.8	1.7	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.4
69	Ceramic products.....	0.334	111.3	111.5	2.3	0.5	-0.3	-0.1	0.2
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.327	103.7	104.0	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.2	0.3
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.274	98.6	101.0	5.2	0.4	0.6	-0.3	2.4
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL.....	5.109	130.6	131.5	5.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.6	0.7
72	Iron and steel.....	1.176	162.4	160.0	-6.5	-1.0	-3.5	-1.3	-1.5
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.406	123.1	124.1	8.3	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.8
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.457	155.8	161.1	27.5	-0.5	5.7	3.2	3.4
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.806	112.4	114.4	3.7	-3.4	-1.1	0.4	1.8
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.404	104.7	104.9	0.7	0.1	-0.3	-0.8	0.2
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.435	111.9	112.0	4.3	0.0	-0.6	0.0	0.1
<u>2/</u>	Other base metals and articles of base metals.....	0.425	125.4	128.5	17.0	0.4	-0.1	-6.8	2.5
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE & SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC.....	22.695	89.0	88.9	-1.4	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	-0.1
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	11.846	89.3	89.3	-1.1	-0.2	-0.8	-0.1	0.0
85	Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders & reproducers, parts.....	10.849	88.6	88.5	-1.8	0.0	-0.7	-0.2	-0.1
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	14.255	104.5	104.6	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	13.023	104.0	104.0	1.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof (Dec. 2002=100).....	1.076	105.9	106.2	3.3	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.3
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	3.163	99.7	100.0	1.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.3
90	Optical, photographic, measuring and medical instruments.....	2.799	98.8	99.1	1.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.3
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof.....	0.261	106.9	107.1	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4	-0.3	0.2
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	3.948	99.5	99.5	1.7	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.0
94	Furniture & stuffed furnishings; lamps & lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg.....	2.254	103.5	103.4	3.0	-0.2	-0.3	0.4	-0.1
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	1.476	94.4	94.4	-0.3	0.3	-0.1	0.0	0.0
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.219	100.9	101.1	3.0	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.2

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Table 6 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance August 2005 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			August 2005	September 2005	Annual	Monthly			
					Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.994	132.3	135.4	13.4	0.2	-0.6	1.7	2.3
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.458	120.8	120.8	11.6	-0.4	3.2	2.5	0.0
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	4.273	129.2	123.8	-0.9	1.8	0.3	-1.1	-4.2
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.841	122.4	124.2	10.6	0.5	-1.7	-1.5	1.5
10	Cereals.....	1.364	117.9	116.1	-4.9	2.6	1.5	-1.7	-1.5
12	Oilseeds and misc. grains, seeds, fruits, plants, straw and fodder.....	1.400	135.4	123.5	-1.0	6.0	0.4	-1.0	-8.8
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.608	111.1	111.0	5.7	0.7	0.6	0.1	-0.1
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations.....	0.463	109.4	109.2	6.1	0.4	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
23	Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal feed.....	0.532	121.8	121.3	10.7	2.1	2.0	0.2	-0.4
<u>2/</u>	Other prepared foods.....	0.864	109.7	109.8	2.7	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.1
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	4.092	192.5	222.4	58.6	2.6	6.1	-0.5	15.5
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	3.277	182.7	218.1	59.2	3.6	6.4	-0.6	19.4
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	11.809	116.5	117.7	6.0	-0.7	0.6	0.4	1.0
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	1.068	129.5	130.1	17.7	0.2	0.9	0.0	0.5
29	Organic chemicals.....	3.982	129.0	131.7	9.1	-1.6	1.8	1.1	2.1
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.235	106.6	107.0	-0.7	-0.4	-0.7	-0.2	0.4
31	Fertilizers.....	0.464	151.4	157.1	12.7	0.5	1.3	3.4	3.8
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts, dyes, paints, varnish, putty, & inks.....	0.634	105.3	105.1	5.8	-0.7	-0.4	-0.8	-0.2
33	Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet.....	0.778	113.4	113.7	6.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3
34	Soap; lubricants; waxes, polishing or scouring products; candles, pastes.....	0.391	104.0	104.2	-0.5	0.1	-0.3	0.1	0.2
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods.....	0.416	103.9	104.5	5.4	-0.7	-1.2	0.1	0.6
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	1.639	107.1	107.2	2.2	-0.2	0.7	-0.2	0.1
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	5.658	119.4	122.0	11.3	-1.3	0.0	0.8	2.2
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	4.618	117.4	120.4	11.7	-1.5	-0.1	0.9	2.6
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	1.040	126.9	127.5	9.8	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.5
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.491	113.4	113.5	2.1	1.3	0.3	0.1	0.1
41	Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather.....	0.349	108.4	108.5	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.1
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	0.778	103.9	103.6	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	2.802	101.1	101.5	1.9	0.0	-0.6	-0.2	0.4
47	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.639	94.7	94.9	0.3	-0.2	-1.7	-0.9	0.2
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.523	100.0	100.6	1.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.2	0.6
49	Printed material.....	0.640	114.1	114.4	5.0	-0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3

See footnotes at end of table

Table 6 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			August 2005	September 2005	Annual Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	Monthly			
						August 2005	September 2005	May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	2.845	100.7	101.1	3.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.4
52	Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof.....	0.696	91.1	92.2	0.0	-1.4	0.0	-0.8	1.2
61	Apparel & clothing knitted or crocheted (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.404	94.4	94.8	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	0.4
62	Apparel Articles & Accessories, not knitted.....	0.281	95.6	95.6	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other textile and textile articles (Dec. 2001=100).....	1.465	114.2	114.1	6.8	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.1
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.828	103.3	103.3	3.7	1.5	-0.2	0.0	0.0
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.484	96.2	96.2	0.6	0.2	-0.3	0.0	0.0
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.403	107.9	109.2	5.7	-0.7	1.6	-0.3	1.2
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS.....	5.324	130.7	131.3	4.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.3	0.5
72	Iron and steel.....	1.276	150.4	151.3	-10.2	0.4	-6.1	-2.3	0.6
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.314	125.3	125.5	1.5	-0.5	0.0	0.4	0.2
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.541	154.4	154.4	24.6	-0.6	6.6	1.2	0.0
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.788	112.5	114.8	5.1	-3.6	-1.2	0.6	2.0
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.400	104.6	104.6	2.1	0.0	-3.2	0.0	0.0
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.447	116.8	117.5	5.5	-0.8	-0.4	-0.3	0.6
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC..	32.236	93.9	93.9	-0.9	0.0	-0.5	-0.5	0.0
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	17.696	100.3	100.4	0.5	-0.1	-0.4	0.2	0.1
85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts and accessories thereof.....	14.540	86.9	86.7	-2.6	0.0	-0.7	-1.2	-0.2
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	13.863	109.2	109.3	2.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	8.990	103.5	103.6	1.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	6.116	101.6	101.7	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	1.456	100.7	100.8	0.8	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
94	Furniture; stuffed furnishings; lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;.....	0.801	106.3	106.5	1.8	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.2
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	0.518	94.3	94.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.5	0.2	0.1

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.

2 Product categories included in this group have been modified due to concordance or coverage limitations.

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Table 7 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes by Locality of Origin
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Percentage of U.S. Imports 1/	Index		Percent Change				
		August 2005	September 2005	Annual		Monthly		
				Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
<u>2/</u> Industrialized Countries.....	47.950	111.0	113.8	7.1	0.5	0.5	0.4	2.5
Manufactured Goods.....	43.658	105.7	107.2	3.1	0.5	-0.6	-0.3	1.4
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	4.024	180.8	200.9	44.8	1.9	9.7	4.3	11.1
<u>3/</u> Other Countries.....	52.050	110.3	111.5	9.9	1.8	1.2	1.8	1.1
Manufactured Goods.....	43.318	99.4	99.5	2.4	-0.2	0.1	0.6	0.1
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	8.625	187.7	195.2	38.0	8.4	4.8	5.6	4.0
Canada.....	17.203	122.9	128.4	12.2	0.2	1.7	1.1	4.5
Manufactured Goods.....	13.876	112.0	113.7	3.1	0.3	-0.8	0.0	1.5
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.133	184.1	208.8	50.3	0.7	10.5	4.3	13.4
<u>4/</u> European Union.....	19.566	113.9	115.5	5.0	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	1.4
Manufactured Goods.....	19.013	112.3	113.8	4.1	0.0	-0.4	-0.2	1.3
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	0.498	198.5	205.2	30.0	1.8	8.2	3.4	3.4
France (Dec. 2003=100).....	2.069	101.7	101.9	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.2
Germany (Dec. 2003=100).....	5.308	103.1	103.5	1.3	-0.2	-0.8	-0.4	0.4
United Kingdom (Dec. 2003=100).....	3.185	113.6	114.4	6.8	0.6	1.8	0.5	0.7
<u>5/</u> Latin America.....	17.344	129.6	131.3	14.5	2.7	1.2	1.4	1.3
Manufactured Goods.....	13.359	120.1	120.1	7.2	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.0
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.941	185.5	193.1	33.5	8.4	2.3	3.6	4.1
Mexico (Dec. 2003=100).....	10.952	112.5	113.6	8.5	0.8	0.6	0.4	1.0
<u>6/</u> Pacific Rim (Dec. 2003=100).....	33.549	100.0	99.8	-0.6	0.0	-0.3	0.2	-0.2
China (Dec. 2003=100).....	12.320	98.6	98.4	-1.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.1	-0.2
Japan.....	9.512	95.9	96.1	0.8	0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.2
<u>7/</u> Asian NICs.....	7.447	89.7	89.7	-1.4	0.1	-0.7	0.3	0.0
<u>8/</u> ASEAN (Dec. 2003=100).....	6.608	98.0	97.8	-1.2	-0.2	-0.8	0.3	-0.2
<u>9/</u> Asia Near East (Dec. 2003=100).....	3.353	172.8	177.1	35.5	8.0	7.5	6.2	2.5

1 Percentage of trade figures are based on 2003 trade values.

2 Includes Western Europe, Canada, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

3 Includes Eastern Europe, Latin America, OPEC countries, and other countries in Asia, Africa and the Western Hemisphere.

4 Includes European Union countries.

5 Includes Mexico, Central America, South America and the Caribbean.

6 Includes China, Japan, Asia Newly Industrialized Countries, Australia, Brunei, Indonesia, Macao, Malaysia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Philippines.

7 Asia Newly Industrialized Countries. Includes Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan.

8 Association of Southeast Asian Nations. Includes Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

9 Includes Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.

Regions are not mutually exclusive.

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Table 8 U.S. Import and Export Quarterly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		June 2005	September 2005	Annual	Quarterly			
				Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	Sept. 2004 to Dec. 2004	Dec. 2004 to March 2005	March 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to Sept. 2005
IMPORT								
Air Freight.....	4168	128.4	129.5	7.9	5.7	1.4	-0.2	0.9
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	1407	120.6	122.6	9.4	9.3	-1.3	-0.2	1.7
Asia.....	2329	117.1	117.6	7.6	3.4	3.8	-0.2	0.4
EXPORT								
Air Freight.....	2836	110.1	113.5	13.2	5.8	0.3	3.5	3.1

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised one quarter after original publication.
n.a. Not available

Table 9 U.S. Import and Export Monthly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		August 2005	September 2005	Annual	Monthly			
				Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
IMPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	18253	131.0	124.0	2.5	10.2	3.0	-0.8	-5.3
Europe.....	11250	127.1	121.7	3.0	12.7	1.0	0.0	-4.2
Asia.....	2626	130.2	108.8	-2.1	13.4	6.4	-1.8	-16.4
Latin America/Caribbean.....	1916	117.8	112.0	-0.8	0.5	7.4	-1.8	-4.9
EXPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	20319	154.9	139.5	7.2	-4.5	8.1	5.2	-9.9
Europe.....	5394	189.2	165.0	9.1	-3.1	13.5	0.0	-12.8
Asia.....	8936	141.6	119.6	-0.7	-8.7	4.7	16.6	-15.5
Latin America/Caribbean.....	3413	144.4	142.6	9.6	-0.1	9.0	-5.1	-1.2

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
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Table 10 U.S. Inbound and Outbound Quarterly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		June 2005	September 2005	Annual	Quarterly			
				Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	Sept. 2004 to Dec. 2004	Dec. 2004 to March 2005	March 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to Sept. 2005
INBOUND								
Air Freight.....	7483	125.6	127.1	7.1	5.4	1.0	-0.6	1.2
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	2466	119.7	120.8	8.2	7.5	0.0	-0.2	0.9
Asia.....	4180	112.7	113.8	5.6	3.9	1.7	-1.1	1.0
OUTBOUND								
Air Freight.....	5193	107.2	114.1	13.3	4.0	-0.9	3.3	6.4
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	1998	118.9	129.8	19.5	4.0	1.2	4.1	9.2
Asia.....	2365	102.6	107.1	8.7	5.3	-3.1	2.1	4.4

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised one quarter after original publication.

n.a. Not available

Table 11 U.S. Inbound and Outbound Monthly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
September 2004-September 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		August 2005	September 2005	Annual	Monthly			
				Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2005	May 2005 to June 2005	June 2005 to July 2005	July 2005 to Aug. 2005	Aug. 2005 to Sept. 2005
INBOUND								
Air Passenger Fares (Dec.2003=100).....	38589	129.8	118.3	7.4	-3.8	8.4	3.1	-8.9
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	15654	135.7	118.7	7.9	-2.9	13.5	-0.7	-12.5
Asia (Dec. 2003=100).....	12401	130.5	114.6	-0.3	-7.1	3.3	13.0	-12.2
Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100).....	5604	111.2	110.0	6.8	-1.9	8.2	-4.5	-1.1
Canada (Dec. 2003=100).....	2905	139.2	151.0	41.0	0.1	3.8	3.0	8.5
Crude Oil Tanker Freight.....	3434	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-1.9	-12.8	n.a.	n.a.
Ocean Liner Freight.....	17817	128.6	128.0	6.4	0.6	-0.1	0.2	-0.5
U.S. East Coast.....	6938	125.8	125.5	10.6	1.0	0.2	0.0	-0.2
From Atlantic.....	3022	123.8	123.8	12.0	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.0
From Pacific.....	2817	126.1	125.5	10.7	2.1	0.3	0.0	-0.5
U.S. West Coast.....	10879	131.0	130.2	4.0	0.4	-0.3	0.3	-0.6
OUTBOUND								
Air Passenger Fares (Dec.2003=100).....	43898	124.2	120.1	5.2	8.2	3.6	-0.5	-3.3
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	21857	133.6	129.5	4.4	13.7	1.3	0.5	-3.1
Asia (Dec. 2003=100).....	7190	123.8	108.1	1.1	5.1	10.7	-0.6	-12.7
Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100).....	9206	105.1	105.2	4.1	-0.2	3.0	-2.7	0.1
Canada (Dec. 2003=100).....	2982	131.8	139.5	29.8	2.1	0.9	2.8	5.8

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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