

TABLE 2. PHILIPPINE IMPORTS FROM ALL COUNTRIES
MARCH, FEBRUARY 1997 AND MARCH 1996
(F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

COMMODITY	1997		1996	GROWTH RATES (%)	
	MARCH	FEBRUARY	MARCH	MONTHLY	ANNUAL
TOTAL	2,935.17	2,626.54	2,760.47	11.8	6.3
1.Electronics and components 1/	447.18	469.55	464.21	-4.8	-3.7
2.Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	303.51	240.99	210.66	25.9	44.1
3.Telecommunication Equipment and Electrical Machinery 2/	266.59	236.97	210.57	12.5	26.6
4.Industrial Machinery and Equipment	249.19	216.58	240.15	15.1	3.8
5.Materials/accessories imported on consignment basis for the manufacture of oth electrical & electronic machinery & eqpt.	205.15	171.56	173.77	19.6	18.1
6.Transport equipment	140.16	160.49	166.59	-12.7	-15.9
7.Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles and related products 1/	122.68	91.57	92.54	34.0	32.6
8.Iron and Steel	99.77	102.04	124.21	-2.2	-19.7
9.Paper and Paper Products	94.65	67.87	63.34	39.5	49.4
10.Plastics in primary and non-primary forms	91.07	67.94	81.90	34.1	11.2
11.Cereals and cereal preparations	91.47	32.17	132.90	184.3	-31.2

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13.Organic and inorganic chemical	76.44	49.97	54.68	53.0	39.8
14.Power generating and Specialized Machinery	50.10	110.99	46.09	-54.9	8.7
15.Miscellaneous manufactured articles	42.57	30.76	34.91	38.4	22.0
16.Professional, scientific and controlling instruments; photographic and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	40.68	28.39	36.39	43.3	11.8
17.Dairy products	38.03	34.13	40.76	11.4	-6.7
18.Metal Products	37.78	41.71	39.82	-9.4	-5.1
19.Non-Ferrous Metal	32.75	22.10	29.29	48.2	11.8
20.Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	30.04	29.21	27.48	2.9	9.3
21.Non-metallic Mineral Manufactures	28.80	25.33	24.38	13.7	18.1
22.Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	27.60	22.95	22.86	20.3	20.7
23.Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	22.44	16.71	28.17	34.3	-20.3
24.Textiles fiber & their waste	21.93	16.40	31.15	33.7	-29.6
25.Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	20.99	28.45	59.01	-26.2	-64.4
26.Rubber manufactured	17.14	14.08	16.74	21.8	2.4
27.Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials	16.05	14.56	16.10	10.2	-0.3
28.Fertilizers, manufactured	13.12	8.61	5.71	52.4	129.6
29.OTHERS	216.51	180.81	217.24	19.7	-0.3

1/includes on consignment and not on consignment
2/includes telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing
apparatus and equipment

Source: = NATIONAL STATISTICS OFFICE
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