

Table 3. Philippine Imports by Major Type of Goods: December and November 2003 and December 2002  
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	2003				2002		Growth Rate	
	December	November	December	December	(Percent)		Monthly	Annual
	FOB Value	Percent share	FOB Value	Percent share	FOB Value	Percent share		
<b>Total Imports</b>	<b>3,067,531</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>3,274,179</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>2,672,903</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>(6.31)</b>	<b>14.76</b>
<b>Capital Goods</b>	<b>1,252,599</b>	<b>40.83</b>	<b>1,324,406</b>	<b>40.45</b>	<b>1,102,881</b>	<b>41.26</b>	<b>(5.42)</b>	<b>13.58</b>
Power generating and specialized machines	174,828	5.70	156,905	4.79	132,663	4.96	11.42	31.78
Office and electronic data processing machines	296,125	9.65	319,789	9.77	265,833	9.95	(7.40)	11.40
Telecommunication equipment and electrical machines	681,831	22.23	753,418	23.01	562,409	21.04	(9.50)	21.23
Land transport equipment excluding passenger cars and motorized cycle	46,315	1.51	52,777	1.61	70,817	2.65	(12.24)	(34.60)
Aircraft, ships and boats	11,361	0.37	7,744	0.24	36,791	1.38	46.71	(69.12)
Professional scientific and controlling instruments, photographic equipment and optical goods	42,139	1.37	33,774	1.03	34,368	1.29	24.77	22.61
<b>Raw Materials and Intermediate Goods</b>	<b>1,198,223</b>	<b>39.06</b>	<b>1,229,283</b>	<b>37.54</b>	<b>1,043,881</b>	<b>39.05</b>	<b>(2.53)</b>	<b>14.79</b>
Unprocessed raw materials	112,127	3.66	97,240	2.97	143,822	5.38	15.31	(22.04)
Wheat	37,798	1.23	33,541	1.02	55,096	2.06	12.69	(31.40)
Corn	205	0.01	1,362	0.04	2,420	0.09	(84.96)	(91.54)
Unmilled cereals, excluding rice and corn	207	0.01	1,303	0.04	173	0.01	(84.09)	19.48
Crude materials, inedible	70,454	2.30	49,720	1.52	81,911	3.06	41.70	(13.99)
Pulp and waste paper	3,783	0.12	5,101	0.16	4,943	0.18	(25.82)	(23.47)
Cotton	2,377	0.08	1,771	0.05	2,813	0.11	34.26	(15.47)
Synthetic fibers	6,411	0.21	6,655	0.20	5,983	0.22	(3.65)	7.17
Metalliferous ores	33,212	1.08	5,681	0.17	25,851	0.97	484.60	28.47
Others	24,670	0.80	30,513	0.93	42,321	1.58	(19.15)	(41.71)
Tobacco, unmanufactured	3,463	0.11	11,313	0.35	4,222	0.16	(69.39)	(17.97)
Semiprocessed raw materials	1,086,096	35.41	1,132,043	34.57	900,060	33.67	(4.06)	20.67
Feeding stuffs for animals	44,340	1.45	22,042	0.67	24,631	0.92	101.16	80.02
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	3,897	0.13	4,336	0.13	4,600	0.17	(10.12)	(15.28)
Chemical	195,480	6.37	238,824	7.29	187,498	7.01	(18.15)	4.26
Chemical compounds	38,764	1.26	59,117	1.81	43,703	1.64	(34.43)	(11.30)
Medicinal and pharmaceutical	23,150	0.75	27,728	0.85	26,768	1.00	(16.51)	(13.52)
Urea	5,206	0.17	6,522	0.20	4,883	0.18	(20.18)	6.61
Fertilizer, excluding urea	11,105	0.36	7,207	0.22	6,797	0.25	54.09	63.39
Artificial resins	52,730	1.72	66,019	2.02	48,154	1.80	(20.13)	9.50
Others	64,526	2.10	72,232	2.21	57,194	2.14	(10.67)	12.82
Manufactured goods	248,440	8.10	249,121	7.61	245,211	9.17	(0.27)	1.32
Paper and paper products	22,604	0.74	29,904	0.91	24,465	0.92	(24.41)	(7.61)
Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles	52,518	1.71	55,880	1.71	63,345	2.37	(6.02)	(17.09)
Nonmetallic mineral manufactures	10,927	0.36	14,400	0.44	12,119	0.45	(24.12)	(9.84)
Iron and steel	94,566	3.08	78,294	2.39	78,457	2.94	20.78	20.53
Nonferrous metals	32,997	1.08	35,925	1.10	27,766	1.04	(8.15)	18.84
Metal products	20,260	0.66	19,272	0.59	22,686	0.85	5.12	(10.70)
Others	14,568	0.47	15,447	0.47	16,372	0.61	(5.69)	(11.02)
Embroideries	22,814	0.74	18,289	0.56	19,426	0.73	24.74	17.44
Materials/accessories for the manufacture of electrical equipment	560,167	18.26	591,636	18.07	413,649	15.48	(5.32)	35.42
Iron ore, not agglomerated	10,958	0.36	7,795	0.24	5,046	0.19	40.58	117.18
<b>Mineral Fuels, Lubricant and Related Materials</b>	<b>285,047</b>	<b>9.29</b>	<b>303,468</b>	<b>9.27</b>	<b>230,892</b>	<b>8.64</b>	<b>(6.07)</b>	<b>23.45</b>
Coal, coke	4,578	0.15	9,993	0.31	12,345	0.46	(54.19)	(62.92)
Petroleum crude	142,451	4.64	172,561	5.27	162,150	6.07	(17.45)	(12.15)
Others	138,018	4.50	120,914	3.69	56,396	2.11	14.15	144.73
Consumer Goods	198,215	6.46	241,975	7.39	205,022	7.67	(18.08)	(3.32)
Durable	100,051	3.26	114,606	3.50	75,039	2.81	(12.70)	33.33
Passenger cars and motorized cycle	32,001	1.04	40,577	1.24	24,629	0.92	(21.14)	29.93
Home appliances	16,122	0.53	20,282	0.62	9,328	0.35	(20.51)	72.84
Miscellaneous manufactures	51,928	1.69	53,747	1.64	41,083	1.54	(3.38)	26.40
Nondurable	98,164	3.20	127,369	3.89	129,983	4.86	(22.93)	(24.48)
Food and live animals chiefly for food	80,008	2.61	104,157	3.18	101,713	3.81	(23.19)	(21.34)
Dairy products	19,424	0.63	36,734	1.12	32,959	1.23	(47.12)	(41.07)
Fish and fish preparation	3,061	0.10	4,830	0.15	3,701	0.14	(36.63)	(17.31)
Rice	-	-	-	-	1,787	0.07	-	-
Fruits and vegetables	12,817	0.42	11,151	0.34	13,103	0.49	14.94	(2.19)
Others	44,706	1.46	51,442	1.57	50,163	1.88	(13.09)	(10.88)
Beverages and tobacco manufacture	13,460	0.44	18,447	0.56	18,863	0.71	(27.03)	(28.64)
Articles of apparel, accessories	4,696	0.15	4,766	0.15	9,407	0.35	(1.45)	(50.07)
<b>Special Transactions</b>	<b>133,447</b>	<b>4.35</b>	<b>175,047</b>	<b>5.35</b>	<b>90,228</b>	<b>3.38</b>	<b>(23.76)</b>	<b>47.90</b>
Articles temporarily imported and exported	81,036	2.64	76,136	2.33	69,182	2.59	6.44	17.13
Others	52,411	1.71	98,911	3.02	21,046	0.79	(47.01)	149.03

Source: Economic Indices and Indicators Division  
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Note: Components may not add up to total due to rounding.