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## U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES - MAY 2005 -

The U.S. Import Price Index decreased 1.3 percent in May, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The decline followed four consecutive increases, as decreases in both petroleum prices and nonpetroleum prices contributed to the May drop. Prices for U.S. exports also declined in May, decreasing 0.1 percent for the month.

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		IMPORTS			EXPORTS	
May une uly xugust eptember October lovember December <u>005</u> anuary ebruary farch	All Imports	Petroleum Imports	Non- petroleum Imports	All Exports	Agri- cultural Exports	Nonagri- cultural Exports
2004						
May	1.5	9.4	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.3
June	-0.2	-1.1	0.1	-0.7	-4.7	-0.2
July	0.4	2.3	0.0	0.5	-1.0	0.7
August	1.5	8.8	0.3	-0.5	-8.4	0.3
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 r	0.1	0.1	-0.5 r	0.1
March	2.2 r	13.2 r	0.3	0.7 r	3.8	0.4
April	1.2 r	5.4 r	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.7 r
May	-1.3	-6.5	-0.3	-0.1	2.0	-0.4
May 2003-04	6.9	43.4	2.8	4.4	20.9	2.9
May 2004-05	5.7	26.2	2.5	2.7	-8.2	3.9

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

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

A downturn in petroleum prices, which fell 6.5 percent in May, contributed to the turnaround in overall import prices. Prices for import petroleum had risen 28.2 percent over the previous four months, which led a 4.9 percent increase in import prices over that period. In addition, nonpetroleum import prices declined for the first time since October, decreasing 0.3 percent in May. The drop was only the second monthly decline for the index over the past year and was the largest decrease since August 2003. However, both nonpetroleum prices and overall import prices remained up over the past 12 months, rising 2.5 percent and 5.7 percent, respectively.

The turnaround in nonpetroleum prices was largely attributable to a 1.5 percent decrease in the price index for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials. The decline in that index was the largest since April 2003 and was driven by lower prices for natural gas, building materials, and metals. Notwithstanding the May decrease, nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials prices increased 7.8 percent over the past 12 months. Automotive vehicles prices also declined in May, edging down 0.1 percent. The decrease was the first monthly dip for the index since September 2003 as prices for automotive vehicles rose 1.3 percent over the past year.

In contrast, the price indexes for consumer goods and for foods, feeds, and beverages increased in May, rising 0.1 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively. Consumer goods prices were up 1.4 percent for the year ended in May. Higher meat and vegetable prices led the price index for foods, feeds, and beverages up for the fourth month in a row. Prices for foods, feeds, and beverage increased 8.2 percent over the past year.

Capital good prices were unchanged in May after a modest 0.1 percent increase the month before. The index declined 0.3 percent for the May 2004-2005 period.

## Export Goods

Export prices decreased 0.1 percent in May, as falling nonagricultural prices more than offset an increase in the price index for agricultural exports. The 2.0 percent May increase in agricultural prices was the third consecutive monthly advance, but the index was down 8.2 percent over the past year. Nonagricultural prices decreased 0.4 percent in May, the first monthly drop for the index since June 2004, and the largest decline since November 2001. Despite the May decreases, for the year ended last month, nonagricultural prices increased 3.9 percent and overall export prices rose 2.7 percent.

A turnaround in nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials prices was the primary factor in the decline in nonagricultural prices. The price index for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials decreased 1.1 percent in May, led by lower prices for fuel, metals, and plastic. The May decline was the largest for the index since December 2001, but nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials prices still increased 12.3 percent over the past 12 months.

In contrast, each of the major finished goods areas either recorded a modest increase or was unchanged in May. Automotive vehicles prices ticked up 0.1 percent for the month and were up 1.1 percent for the year ended in May. Prices for capital goods and for consumer goods were each unchanged in May. Over the past year, capital goods prices were up 0.3 percent and consumer goods prices rose 1.5 percent.

## Imports by Locality of Origin

Import prices from the European Union decreased 0.3 percent in May, as both lower petroleum prices and the rise in the value of the dollar against the Euro contributed to the decline. The decrease was the first for the index since September 2003. Despite the decline, import prices from the European Union increased 5.5 percent for the year ended in May.

Lower petroleum prices were also a factor in the downturn in the price indexes of imports from Canada and from Mexico. Prices of imports from Canada decreased 1.5 percent in May after having increased 5.3 percent over the previous four months. May prices of imports from Mexico declined 0.5 percent. Over the past 12 months, import prices from Canada and from Mexico were up 8.3 percent and 6.4 percent, respectively.

In contrast, prices of imports from China rose 0.1 percent in May while import prices from Japan were unchanged. Import prices from China increased for the third time in four months, but were still down 0.4 percent for the year ended in May. Prices of imports from Japan have not recorded a decline since September and increased 0.9 percent over the past 12 months.

## Import and Export Services

Import air passenger fares declined 0.6 percent in May following a 6.3 percent jump in April. The decline was driven by a 2.5 percent drop in Latin American and Caribbean fares, which offset increases to both European fares and Asian fares. Despite the May downturn, the price index for overall import air passenger fares increased 3.6 percent over the past 12 months.

In contrast, export air passenger fares increased 6.8 percent in May after falling 2.1 percent the month before. Higher fares from each of the major routes contributed to the increase. Overall export air passenger fares rose 15.5 percent for the year ended in May.

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Import and Export Price Index data for June are scheduled for release on July 13 at 8:30 A.M. (E.D.T.).

## U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods

Table 1

May 2004-May 2005	2000=100, unless otherwise noted
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	May 2004-May 2005 2000=100, un		Ind	ex		Per	cent Cha	ange	
		Relative Import-			Annual		Monthly		
END	Description	ance			May 2004	Jan. 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005
USE	Description	April	April	Мау	2004 to	to	2005 to	to	to
		2005 <u>1/</u>	2005	2005	May 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005	May 2005
	ALL COMMODITIES	100.000	109.1	107.7	5.7	0.9	2.2	1.2	-1.3
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING FUELS	82.895	102.4	102.1	2.5	0.1	0.3	0.4	-0.3
	(Dec. 2001=100)	80.644	105.2	105.0	2.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.2
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES	4.680	115.3	115.6	8.2	1.0	3.2	-0.4	0.3
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages	3.486	125.2	125.6	10.2	1.0	4.0	-0.3	0.3
04									
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages)	1.194	93.2	93.2	2.9	0.9	1.3	-0.9	0.0
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	33.307	145.0	139.2	16.3	2.2	7.0	3.7	-4.0
	EXCLUDING PETROLEUM INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	16.202	122.5	120.7	7.8	-0.2	1.1	2.1	-1.5
	EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100)	13.951	129.1	128.0	6.2	0.4	1.2	0.7	-0.9
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE	8.582	121.7	120.1	5.1	0.3	1.3	0.5	-1.3
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM	7.619	123.5	121.3	11.1	-0.8	0.9	4.0	-1.8
10	Fuels & lubricants	19.357	175.4	164.3	25.4	3.9	11.8	6.0	-6.3
100 10000	Petroleum & petroleum products Crude	17.105 12.670	177.1 178.0	165.6 168.2	26.2 28.4	5.1 5.7	13.2 15.0	5.4 3.9	-6.5 -5.5
11	Paper & paper base stocks	0.993	105.7	105.4	7.3	0.6	0.8	1.8	-0.3
12		0.995	105.7	105.4	1.5	0.0	0.0	1.0	-0.3
12	Materials associated with nondurable supplies & materials	4.487	114.0	113.9	8.1	0.6	0.9	0.9	-0.1
13	Selected building materials	2.123	120.2	115.5	-6.6	1.6	2.4	-2.0	-3.9
14	Unfinished metals related to durable goods	3.304	143.9	142.8	13.2	-0.6	1.7	1.9	-0.8
15	Finished metals related to durable goods	1.465	117.2	117.2	8.5	0.4	0.7	1.1	0.0
16	Nonmetals related to durable goods	1.579	101.1	100.9	1.8	0.0	-0.1	0.3	-0.2
2	CAPITAL GOODS	21.398	92.3	92.3	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.0
20	Electric generating equipment	2.541	99.0	98.8	1.8	0.3	0.0	0.3	-0.2
21	Nonelectrical machinery	16.984	89.7	89.8	-0.8	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	0.1
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100)	1.873	105.8	105.9	1.9	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES	15.765	103.4	103.3	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.2	-0.1
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES	24.850	99.8	99.9	1.4	0.5	-0.3	0.0	0.1
40	Nondurables, manufactured	12.324	102.8	102.6	1.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	-0.2
41	Durables, manufactured	11.289	96.7	96.8	0.8	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.1
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods	1.236	100.7	102.2	5.0	4.9	-4.5	0.4	1.5

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.

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

		Delether	Inc	lex		Perc	cent Cha	ange	
		Relative Import-			Annual		Monthly		
END	Description	ance			May 2004	Jan. 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005
USE		April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
		2005 <u>1/</u>	2005	2005	May 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005	May 2005
	ALL COMMODITIES	100.000	107.0	106.9	2.7	0.1	0.7	0.6	-0.1
	AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES	8.794 91.206	120.3 106.1	122.7 105.7	-8.2 3.9	-0.5 0.1	3.8 0.4	0.3 0.7	2.0 -0.4
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES	8.005	121.2	123.8	-8.7	-0.6	4.0	0.2	2.1
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages	7.237	121.0	124.1	-10.1	-0.6	4.1	0.2	2.6
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages)	0.768	121.8	120.8	7.2	0.0	2.1	-0.3	-0.8
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS,	29.217	124.4	123.1	11.7	0.5	1.3	1.7	-1.0
	DURABLE INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS,	10.553	124.3	123.5	9.8	0.0	0.3	1.4	-0.6
	NONDURABLE	18.663	124.6	123.0	12.7	0.7	1.9	2.0	-1.3
10	Agricultural industrial supplies & materials	1.557	116.7	116.5	2.5	-0.1	2.5	1.0	-0.2
	NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	27.660	125.0	123.6	12.3	0.5	1.2	1.8	-1.1
11	Fuels & lubricants	3.851	153.5	146.7	24.9	3.7	8.3	6.5	-4.4
12	Nonagricultural supplies & materials excluding fuels & building materials	22.661	122.7	121.9	10.9	0.0	0.2	1.2	-0.7
13	Selected building materials	1.148	105.2	105.3	1.3	0.2	0.5	-0.1	0.1
2	CAPITAL GOODS	39.677	98.4	98.4	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0
20	Electrical generating equipment	3.819	104.0	104.1	2.4	-0.3	0.5	0.0	0.1
21	Nonelectrical machinery	29.086	93.8	93.7	-1.0	0.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100)	6.772	111.4	111.6	4.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES	10.977	103.3	103.4	1.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES	12.083	102.0	102.0	1.5	-0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0
40	Nondurables, manufactured	6.050	101.9	101.9	1.8	-0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0
41	Durables, manufactured	5.234	101.7	101.7	1.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods (Dec. 2001=100)	0.799	102.9	102.9	2.3	-0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.

Table 3U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods<br/>May 2004-May 20052000=100, unless otherwise noted

		Deletive	Ind	ex		Perc	cent Cha	ange	
		Relative Import-			Annual		Monthly		
		ance			May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
SITC	Description	anoo			2004	2005	2005	2005	2005
Rev. 3		April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
		2005	2005	2005	May	Feb.	March	April	May
		<u>1/</u>			2005	2005	2005	2005	2005
	ALL COMMODITIES	100.000	109.1	107.7	5.7	0.9	2.2	1.2	-1.3
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	3.675	116.2	116.5	9.8	1.5	4.3	-1.0	0.3
01	Meat and meat preparations	0.405	136.3	139.4	12.1	0.2	0.8	0.3	2.3
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates								
	and preparations thereof		88.1	88.1	4.8	1.2	1.8	-0.6	0.0
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried	0.931	117.6	116.9	10.2	0.5	13.1	-3.3	-0.6
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	0.517	128.9	126.2	23.2	3.3	6.0	-1.0	-2.1
_2/	Other food and live animals	0.948	130.8	133.0	7.1	2.3	-0.6	0.2	1.7
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	0.918	107.9	107.9	2.4	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0
11	Beverages		108.3	108.4	2.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS		134.8	130.7	2.7	4.7	-0.5	-0.1	-3.0
24	Cork and wood		132.5	121.4	-12.7	3.9	3.7	-3.2	-8.4
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper		109.7	108.0	4.4	3.5	1.4	0.9	-1.5
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap		185.7	183.0	27.5	-0.7	4.3	5.0	-1.5
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s	0.228	110.2	116.9	14.5	24.9	-20.1	0.3	6.1
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED								
	MATERIALS	18.653	176.1	165.3	25.6	4.3	12.1	5.9	-6.1
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	16.566	177.5	166.7	26.8	5.8	13.5	5.2	-6.1
34	Gas, natural and manufactured	2.087	161.0	150.3	16.1	-5.0	1.7	10.4	-6.6
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S	8.496	113.7	112.4	8.6	1.5	0.2	1.5	-1.1
51	Organic chemicals		115.2	111.8	12.7	3.9	-0.2	3.1	-3.0
52	Inorganic chemicals		133.0	133.1	13.3	1.0	1.0	2.2	0.1
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials		99.8	101.0	0.2	0.7	0.0	1.2	1.2
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products		110.5	110.1	2.6	-0.4	-0.1	0.5	-0.4
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps	0.415	95.4	94.2	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.0	-1.3
57	Plastics in primary forms	0.678	127.2	127.4	20.4	1.0	1.9	0.6	0.2
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms	0.376	106.8	106.6	3.6	-0.3	-0.1	0.5	-0.2
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s	0.541	99.5	99.1	4.2	1.6	0.1	1.7	-0.4
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY								
5	BY MATERIAL	11.708	113.5	113.1	5.8	0.4	1.0	0.5	-0.4
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	0.668	104.1	103.8	3.8	0.4	1.0	0.5	-0.3
63	Cork and wood manufactures other than furniture		118.8	112.6	-11.9	1.0	4.2	-3.8	-5.2
64	Paper and paperboard, cut to size		102.1	102.2	7.0	-0.1	0.4	1.8	0.1
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up			· <b></b>					
	articles, n.e.s., and related prod	1.336	104.4	104.2	0.5	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.2
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s	2.079	101.0	101.0	1.6	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
67	Iron and steel	1.577	165.6	165.5	17.4	-0.5	1.7	1.4	-0.1
68	Nonferrous metals	1.862	118.6	119.3	12.4	1.8	1.8	2.1	0.6
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s	2.070	109.0	108.8	6.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.2

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

				Index		Per	cent Cha	nge	
		Relative Import-			Annual		Monthly		
SITC	Description	ance			May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
	Description	A	A		2004	2005	2005	2005	2005
Rev. 3		April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
		2005 <u>1/</u>	2005	2005	May 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005	May 2005
7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	38.150	95.0	95.0	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
7 71	Power generating machinery and equipment		95.0 104.0	95.0 104.0	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries	1.651	104.0	104.0	4.1	0.5	0.1	0.2	-0.1
73	Metalworking machinery		116.6	119.3	12.5	-0.1	0.2	2.7	2.3
74	General industrial machinery,	0.404	110.0	110.0	12.0	0.1	0.2	2.1	2.0
74	equipment, & machine parts, n.e.s	3.054	107.4	107.4	3.7	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.0
75	Computer equipment and office machines	5.182	70.3	70.1	-8.2	-0.7	-1.1	-1.1	-0.3
76	Telecommunications & sound recording					••••			
	& reproducing apparatus & equipment	4.866	82.2	82.5	-2.8	-0.2	-0.1	-0.6	0.4
77	Electrical machinery and equipment	6.040	94.5	94.5	-0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0
78	Road vehicles	13.114	103.8	103.8	1.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	16.006	101.0	101.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
81	Prefabricated buildings; plumbing, heat								
	& lighting fixtures, n.e.s.	0.450	96.5	96.5	3.2	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.0
82	Furniture and parts thereof	1.920	106.8	106.9	4.5	0.0	0.7	0.3	0.1
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	0.377	107.2	106.7	3.1	0.5	0.6	0.1	-0.5
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories		100.4	100.2	-0.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2
85	Footwear	1.157	100.2	100.4	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.2
87	Professional, scientific and controlling								
	instruments and apparatus, n.e.s	1.790	101.8	101.7	2.1	0.3	0.0	0.9	-0.1
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and								<u>.</u>
	supplies and optical goods, n.e.s	0.857	99.3	99.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	-0.1
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s	4.434	99.4	99.3	1.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.2	-0.1

Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.
 Product categories included in this group have been modified due to concordance or coverage limitations.

Table 4 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods . May 2004-

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	2000	2000 100,	0111000		

	May 2004-May 2005 2000=100, unle		Inde	x		Per	cent Cha	ange	
		Relative Import-			Annual		Monthly		
		ance			May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
SITC	Description				2004	2005	2005	2005	2005
Rev. 3		April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
		2005	2005	2005	May	Feb.	March	April	May
		<u>1/</u>			2005	2005	2005	2005	2005
	ALL COMMODITIES	100.000	107.0	106.9	2.7	0.1	0.7	0.6	-0.1
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	6.511	121.4	124.2	-2.0	0.1	1.6	1.0	2.3
01	Meat and meat preparations	1.239	133.1	139.7	9.4	3.1	2.8	3.5	5.0
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates								
	and preparations thereof	0.470	111.0	110.2	-0.1	-0.7	1.8	-0.7	-0.7
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	1.592	116.9	116.2	-20.4	-2.5	4.5	-3.7	-0.6
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried	1.593	130.5	137.4	21.3	0.5	-2.3	4.2	5.3
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not								
	including unmilled cereals)	0.595	116.5	119.8	-14.7	1.3	2.8	1.9	2.8
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations		108.0	107.9	6.1	0.9	1.0	0.8	-0.1
	<u>2/</u> Other food and live animals	0.518	109.2	109.8	-3.4	-0.8	1.1	0.6	0.5
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	0.679	102.8	102.7	0.9	-0.1	0.0	0.7	-0.1
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	0.418	101.5	101.5	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS	5.542	129.3	128.5	-3.0	-0.8	4.4	1.4	-0.6
22	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	1.123	124.6	127.7	-35.8	-4.8	17.5	-3.3	2.5
24	Cork and wood	0.513	98.7	97.0	-1.2	0.2	0.3	-0.5	-1.7
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper	0.661	101.8	102.7	2.3	0.7	2.3	-1.2	0.9
26	Textile fibers and their waste		104.8	103.3	-10.1	0.3	5.5	0.7	-1.4
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap		222.8	213.1	24.9	0.1	0.2	7.9	-4.4
	2/ Other crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1.095	126.0	127.7	17.0	0.0	0.7	0.8	1.3
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED		100.0					- 0	
	MATERIALS	3.143	183.2	175.4	29.8	3.8	10.8	7.2	-4.3
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	2.443	192.1	179.1	32.7	5.7	13.7	8.5	-6.8
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S	15.001	117.8	116.5	10.3	0.2	0.5	0.8	-1.1
51	Organic chemicals	3.668	133.6	130.5	14.8	-0.6	2.3	2.1	-2.3
52	Inorganic chemicals	0.956	120.2	121.5	24.0	1.8	0.8	0.2	1.1
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	2.697	108.2	107.9	2.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.4	-0.3
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps	1.071	111.9	111.8	7.1	1.2	-0.5	1.2	-0.1
56	Fertilizers	0.442	147.4	147.5	5.4	-0.1	-5.7	4.8	0.1
57	Plastics in primary forms	2.719	127.7	123.7	20.2	0.7	0.5	-0.4	-3.1
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms	0.936	103.7	104.0	7.5	0.6	1.1	0.5	0.3
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s	1.890	106.5	106.4	1.5	-0.1	-0.5	0.6	-0.1
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY	10 500	114.2	114.0	7.1	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.1
60	BY MATERIAL	10.509	114.3 115.0	114.2	7.1	0.4	0.1	0.6	-0.1
62 64	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	0.700	115.0 103.8	115.3 103 7	4.1	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.3
64 65	Uncoated Paper/paperboard, and linerboard	1.462	103.8	103.7	4.7	0.0	-0.3	0.0	-0.1
65 66	Textile yarn, fabrics, and made-up articles, n.e.s	1.591	110.4	110.4	6.2	0.0	0.8	1.2	0.0
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s	1.551	102.4	102.3	2.8	0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.1
67 68	Iron and steel		163.3	162.9	14.3	-0.5	-1.4	-0.5	-0.2
68 60	Nonferrous metals		109.5	108.6	11.3	2.1	1.5	2.1	-0.8
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s	2.177	118.4	118.8	10.3	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.3
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#### Table 4 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods

May 2004-May 2005	2000=100, unless otherwise noted

			Ind	ex		Per	cent Cha	nge	
		Relative Import-			Annual		Monthly		
0.70		ance			May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
SITC	Description				2004	2005	2005	2005	2005
Rev. 3		April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
		2005	2005	2005	May	Feb.	March	April	May
		<u>1/</u>			2005	2005	2005	2005	2005
_2/	Other manufactured goods classified								
	chiefly by material (Dec. 2001=100)	0.402	117.9	117.9	-3.3	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.0
		0.102	111.0	111.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	46.518	98.7	98.7	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
71	Power generating machinery and equipment		111.6	111.5	2.6	0.0	0.2	0.0	-0.1
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries	3.609	110.6	110.6	4.9	-0.1	0.2	1.1	0.0
73	Metalworking machinery	0.605	103.8	103.8	3.1	0.1	0.1	1.3	0.0
74	General industrial machinery,	4.070	100.0	400 5	4.5	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
75	equipment, & parts, n.e.s Computer equipment and office machines	4.676 5.128	109.3 81.3	109.5 81.0	4.5 -8.6	0.6 -0.1	0.1 -1.0	0.9 -1.0	0.2 -0.4
75 76	Telecommunications & sound recording	5.120	01.3	01.0	-0.0	-0.1	-1.0	-1.0	-0.4
70	& reproducing apparatus & equipment	3.091	89.9	90.0	-2.2	0.0	0.0	-0.7	0.1
77	Electrical machinery and equipment	11.314	87.5	87.4	-1.4	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
78	Road vehicles	8.604	102.9	103.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.1
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	11.013	102.6	103.1	2.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.5
82	Furniture and parts thereof	0.594	104.4	104.4	1.9	0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.0
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	0.752	97.1	97.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0
87	Professional, scientific and controlling	4.040	100 5	102.1	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4
88	instruments and apparatus, n.e.s Photographic apparatus, equipment and	4.246	103.5	103.1	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	-0.4
00	supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.	0.928	96.5	96.8	2.2	-0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s	4.121	103.9	105.4	3.5	-0.4	0.1	-0.4	1.4
2/	Other miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.372	109.5	109.5	3.0	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.0

Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.
 Product categories included in this group have been modified due to concordance or coverage limitations.

# Table 5U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods<br/>May 2004-May 20052000=100, unless otherwise noted

			Relative	Ind	ex		Per	cent Cha	ange	
			Import-			Annual		Monthly	,	
Harm nizeo		Description	ance			May 2004	Jan. 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005
Syste		Beedinption	April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
5			2005	2005	2005	May	Feb.	March	April	May
			<u>1/</u>			2005	2005	2005	2005	2005
I		LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS	1.405	113.2	115.6	8.3	2.5	0.6	-0.7	2.1
02		Meat and edible meat offal		136.6	140.5	12.0	0.0	0.0	-0.7	2.9
03		Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and	0.000				0.0	•	0.0	
		other aquatic invertebrates	0.702	88.2	88.2	5.8	1.9	1.8	-0.5	0.0
	2/	Other live animals; animal products	0.344	154.1	163.0	7.7	6.4	-1.8	-1.3	5.8
11		VEGETABLE PRODUCTS	1.270	120.6	121.9	18.5	7.0	6.6	-3.6	1.1
07		Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers		161.3	163.3	46.5	1.5	43.0	-9.3	1.2
08		Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus								
		fruit or melons		90.9	90.6	-7.4	-1.2	-2.6	0.3	-0.3
09		Coffee, tea, mate and spices		122.8	121.4	37.0	6.7	10.3	-2.6	-1.1
	2/	Other vegetable products	0.309	120.6	126.0	12.2	21.0	-15.8	-1.1	4.5
IV		PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO	2.184	114.0	113.5	4.2	0.0	0.2	0.7	-0.4
20		Preparations of vegetables, fruit,	2.104	114.0	115.5	7.2	0.0	0.2	0.7	-0.4
		nuts, or other parts of plants	0.247	103.3	100.7	-0.7	0.2	-0.3	1.1	-2.5
22		Beverages, spirits, and vinegar		106.2	106.2	2.4	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.0
	2/	Other prepared foodstuffs	1.099	123.5	123.1	6.7	-0.2	0.3	1.3	-0.3
V		MINERAL PRODUCTS	19.175	175.2	164.8	26.0	3.8	11.9	6.1	-5.9
27		Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax	18.865	174.6	164.1	26.2	3.9	12.1	6.1	-6.0
	2/	Other mineral products (Dec. 2001=100)		123.2	123.3	12.9	0.4	12.1	1.7	-0.0
VI		PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED								
		INDUSTRIES		113.2	111.8	8.4	1.8	0.0	2.0	-1.2
28		Inorganic chemicals		130.1	130.1	13.0	1.0	1.0	2.5	0.0
29		Organic chemicals		115.2	112.1	12.8	3.9	0.0	3.7	-2.7
30 32		Pharmaceutical products Tanning & dyeing extracts; dye &	2.246	111.2	110.8	3.4	-0.3	-0.1	0.5	-0.4
52		pigments; varnish & paints; putty	0.190	100.4	101.5	3.4	1.0	0.0	0.7	1.1
33		Essential oils and resinoids (Dec. 2001=100)		107.5	106.0	0.9	0.4	0.4	0.0	-1.4
38		Miscellaneous chemical products		93.8	93.8	1.7	3.0	0.1	0.3	0.0
	2/	Other products of the chemical or allied industries	0.503	128.5	128.7	14.1	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.2
VII		PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER								
		AND ARTICLES THEREOF	-	113.7	113.5	6.9	0.4	0.6	0.4	-0.2
39		Plastics and articles thereof		114.7	114.6	8.7	0.4	0.6	0.3	-0.1
40		Rubber and articles thereof	0.896	111.6	111.1	3.2	0.4	0.8	0.4	-0.4
VIII		RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS,								
		TRAVEL GOODS, ETC	0.669	104.3	104.1	2.6	0.3	0.3	0.2	-0.2
42		Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials	0.573	104.5	104.3	2.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.2
IX		WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW,								
		BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK	1.562	127.6	120.9	-10.1	2.1	3.1	-2.8	-5.3
Х		WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND								
		PAPER PRODUCTS	1.734	103.0	102.8	5.2	0.3	0.5	1.3	-0.2
47		Pulp wood or other fibrous cellulosic								
40		material; waste paper/paperboard	0.233	109.2	107.5	4.5	3.6	1.4	0.8	-1.6
48		Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard	1.212	101.0	101.1	6.8	-0.1	0.4	1.7	0.1
49		Printed matter		101.0	101.1	-0.3	-0.1 -0.1	-0.4	0.0	-0.1
XI 61		TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES Articles of apparel and clothing	5.964	100.4	100.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	-0.2
01		accessories, knitted or crocheted	2.174	99.5	99.1	-0.6	-0.1	0.0	-0.5	-0.4
			2.1/4	55.5		-0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.5	-0.4

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

					Index		Per	cent Cha	nge	
			Relative Import-			Annual		Monthly		
Harmo	D-		ance			May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
nized		Description				2004	2005	2005	2005	2005
Syster	m		April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
			2005 <u>1/</u>	2005	2005	May 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005	May 2005
			<u> </u>			2000	2000	2000	2000	2000
62		Articles of apparel and clothing	0.440							
63		accessories, not knitted or crocheted Made-up or worn textile articles	2.440 0.481	99.5 92.5	99.5 92.5	-0.6 -1.8	0.0 -0.1	0.0 -0.2	-0.3 -0.1	0.0 0.0
00	2/	Other textile & textile articles	0.868	109.0	108.8	3.5	-0.4	0.9	-0.2	-0.2
XII		HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS,								
		ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC	1.370	99.7	99.8	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
64		Footwear and parts of such articles	1.154	100.0	100.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.2
	2/	Other footwear, headgear, umbrellas,	0.040		<u> </u>			<i>. . .</i>		
		whips, art. flowers, etc	0.216	97.7	97.7	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.0
XIII		STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS,								
69		CERAMICS, GLASS ETC	0.980	105.3	105.1	1.2	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.2
68		Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (Dec. 2001=100)	0.300	98.6	98.6	-0.5	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
69		Ceramic products	0.342	111.3	111.2	3.2	-0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1
70		Glass and glassware	0.339	104.9	104.6	0.9	0.6	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3
XIV		PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS,								
		IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS	2.321	98.3	98.0	3.7	-0.6	0.3	0.9	-0.3
XV		BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL	5.369	134.0	134.0	11.8	0.1	1.2	1.3	0.0
72		Iron and steel	1.306	176.2	175.0	12.0	-3.4	1.4	1.6	-0.7
73		Articles of iron or steel	1.437	122.9	122.9	13.6	1.3	0.8	0.7	0.0
74		Copper and articles thereof	0.427	142.2	143.4	16.1	0.8	2.3	1.4	0.8
76 82		Aluminum and articles thereof	0.870	118.5	117.2	4.5	-0.1	1.3	1.7	-1.1
02		Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof	0.417	105.6	105.3	1.8	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.3
83		Miscellaneous articles of base metal	0.449	112.9	112.4	5.1	-0.3	-0.1	0.5	-0.3
	2/	Other base metals and articles of base metals	0.463	133.3	138.0	29.0	8.0	3.4	3.8	3.5
XVI		MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV								
		IMAGE & SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC	23.443	89.8	89.8	-1.4	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.0
84		Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	12.226	90.1	90.1	-1.5	-0.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.0
85		Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders & reproducers, parts	11.217	89.5	89.6	-1.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1
			11.217	00.0	00.0	-1.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1
XVII		VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND	44 507	404.0	404.0	47	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0
87		ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT Motor vehicles and their parts	14.567 13.312	104.3 103.8	104.3 103.8	1.7 1.6	0.0 0.0	0.1 0.0	0.1 0.2	0.0 0.0
88		Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts	10.012	105.0	105.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0
		thereof (Dec. 2002=100)	1.095	105.3	105.3	2.8	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
XVIII		OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL &								
		MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES	3.258	100.3	100.3	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0
90		Optical, photographic, measuring and	0.004		<u> </u>					0.4
91		medical instruments Clocks and watches and parts thereof	2.884 0.270	99.5 107.9	99.4 107.7	1.0 1.2	0.0 -0.3	0.0 0.1	0.6 0.7	-0.1 -0.2
		·								
XX 94		MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES Furniture & stuffed furnishings; lamps &	4.034	99.3	99.4	2.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1
		lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg	2.314	103.8	103.9	4.2	0.0	0.6	0.3	0.1
95		Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof	1.499	93.6	93.6	-1.0	-0.1	-0.6	-0.1	0.0
96		Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0.222	100.1	100.2	1.9	0.0	1.1	0.9	0.1

Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.
 Product categories included in this group have been modified due to concordance or coverage limitations.

 Table 6
 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods

 May 2004-May 2005
 2000=100. unless otherwise noted

	May 2004-May 2005 2000=100, un		wise noted Ind	ex		Perc	cent Cha	ange	
		Relative	ina	U.N.				ango	
		Import-			Annual		Monthly		
Harmo-		ance			May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
nized	Description	A secold	A re with		2004	2005	2005	2005	2005
System		April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
		2005	2005	2005	May 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April	May
		<u>1/</u>			2005	2005	2005	2005	2005
1	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS	1.902	126.4	130.8	6.7	1.5	2.0	2.6	3.5
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and	1.002	120.4	100.0	0.7	1.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
	other aquatic invertebrates	0.439	116.1	114.4	6.0	-0.4	3.2	-0.9	-1.5
		4 4 9 4	101.0	100.0	45.0	4 5	4.0		2.0
II 08	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus	4.124	124.9	128.2	-15.8	-1.5	4.3	-1.1	2.6
00	fruit or melons	0.840	122.5	125.9	19.9	0.0	-10.7	2.6	2.8
10	Cereals	1.340	116.0	115.1	-22.6	-2.8	5.3	-4.4	-0.8
12	Oilseeds and misc. grains, seeds,				-				
	fruits, plants, straw and fodder	1.302	126.1	128.8	-31.1	-3.9	14.6	-2.7	2.1
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND								
IV	TOBACCO	2.562	109.3	110.1	-2.4	0.4	1.4	0.6	0.7
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations		109.4	109.1	7.3	0.4	1.3	0.9	-0.3
23	Residues and waste from the food	00				0.0		010	0.0
	industries; prepared animal feed	0.504	115.5	119.3	-20.3	1.6	3.3	1.1	3.3
<u></u>	Other prepared foods	0.850	108.1	108.4	0.5	-0.4	0.8	0.6	0.3
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS	3.947	186.0	179.6	36.3	3.8	8.1	7.9	-3.4
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals,	0.047	100.0	175.0	50.5	0.0	0.1	1.5	-0.4
	bituminous substances and mineral wax	3.140	175.3	168.3	28.7	3.8	9.8	6.8	-4.0
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED	44.000	110.0	110.0	0.7	0.0	0.1	10	0.0
28	INDUSTRIES Inorganic chemicals		116.9 127.6	116.6 129.3	8.7 26.8	0.0 2.2	0.1 1.0	1.2 0.6	-0.3 1.3
29	Organic chemicals		130.1	129.0	13.8	-0.7	1.0	1.8	-0.8
30	Pharmaceutical products	2.267	108.3	107.8	2.3	-0.3	-0.1	0.4	-0.5
31	Fertilizers	0.437	142.9	142.9	5.3	-0.1	-5.7	4.8	0.0
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts, dyes,								
	paints, varnish, putty, & inks	0.653	108.6	108.9	11.2	-0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3
33	Essential oils and resinoids;								
24	perfumery, cosmetic or toilet	0.779	113.7	113.6	6.5	0.1	0.3	0.8	-0.1
34	Soap; lubricants; waxes, polishing or scouring products; candles, pastes	0.383	102.2	102.2	-1.0	2.2	-1.9	1.3	0.0
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods		102.2	102.2	7.7	1.0	-1.9	1.3	1.5
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	1.627	106.5	106.6	2.0	0.0	-0.2	0.9	0.1
	·	-							
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER	F 704	101.1	110.0	107	0.0	0.0	0.0	10
39	AND ARTICLES THEREOF Plastics and articles thereof	5.731 4.717	121.1 120.1	119.6 117.9	13.7 14.0	0.6 0.6	0.6 0.6	-0.2 -0.3	-1.2 -1.8
39 40	Rubber and articles thereof	1.014	120.1	125.3	14.0	0.0	0.0	-0.3 0.5	-1.0 1.1
		1.014	120.0	120.0	12.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS,								
4.4	TRAVEL GOODS, ETC	0.481	111.2	111.6	3.3	-0.2	0.5	0.0	0.4
41	Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather	0.435	107.0	107.5	2.9	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.5
		0.400	107.0	107.5	2.5	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.5
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW,								
	BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK	0.782	104.5	104.6	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1
х	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND								
	PAPER PRODUCTS	2.826	102.1	103.1	4.8	0.2	0.3	-0.1	1.0
47	Woodpulp and recovered paper	0.658	97.7	98.3	2.1	0.7	2.2	-1.1	0.6
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper								
	pulp, paper or paperboard	1.532	100.7	102.3	6.3	0.1	-0.3	0.1	1.6
49	Printed material	0.637	113.7	113.4	3.9	-0.1	-0.3	0.6	-0.3

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

	May 2004-May 2005 2000=100, u	nless other	wise noted	d					
			Index			Per	cent Cha	nge	
		Relative							
		Import-			Annual		Monthly	-	
Harmo-		ance			May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
nized	Description				2004	2005	2005	2005	2005
System		April	April	May	to	to	to	to	to
		2005	2005	2005	May	Feb.	March	April	May
		<u>1/</u>			2005	2005	2005	2005	2005
XI		2 022	100.4	100.2	0.0	-0.1	1 0	1.0	0.2
52	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof	2.833 0.709	92.9	91.9	0.8 -7.8	-0.1	1.3 4.7	1.0	-0.2 -1.1
61	Apparel & clothing knitted	0.703	52.5	51.5	-7.0	0.5	4.7	1.5	-1.1
01	or crocheted (Dec. 2001=100)	0.408	95.5	95.5	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0
62	Apparel Articles & Accessories, not knitted	0.280	95.6	95.6	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0
2/	Other textile and textile articles (Dec. 2001=100)	1.436	112.1	112.0	6.2	-0.2	0.5	1.3	-0.1
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS,								
70	CERAMICS, GLASS ETC	0.814	101.7	101.6	2.9	0.1	0.4	0.1	-0.1
70	Glass and glassware	0.485	96.4	96.2	0.8	-0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.2
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS,								
	IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS	2.394	107.6	107.3	3.3	-1.1	-0.8	1.7	-0.3
		2.004	107.0	107.0	0.0		0.0	1.7	0.0
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS	5.466	134.4	133.0	11.3	0.1	0.6	1.1	-1.0
72	Iron and steel	1.425	168.3	162.5	4.4	-2.0	-1.1	1.1	-3.4
73	Articles of iron or steel	1.316	125.6	126.5	11.7	0.6	-0.2	0.8	0.7
74	Copper and articles thereof		145.6	144.1	20.3	0.0	4.5	0.8	-1.0
76	Aluminum and articles thereof	0.841	120.2	118.4	7.1	0.9	1.3	2.6	-1.5
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and	0.440	100.1	400.4	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
83	forks, of base metal; parts thereof Miscellaneous articles of base metal	0.413 0.454	108.1 118.8	108.1 118.8	6.5 8.3	0.2 1.2	0.1 1.2	0.3 0.8	0.0 0.0
03		0.454	110.0	110.0	0.5	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV								
	IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC	32.562	95.0	94.9	-0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof		100.6	100.6	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.2	0.0
85	Electrical machinery and equipment								
	and parts and accessories thereof	14.835	88.7	88.7	-1.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.0
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND	40 744	100.4	100.0		0.1	0.4	0.0	0.0
87	ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT Motor vehicles and their parts	13.741 8.941	108.4 103.0	108.6 103.2	2.2 0.9	0.1 -0.1	0.1 0.0	0.0 -0.1	0.2 0.2
07		0.941	105.0	105.2	0.9	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.2
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL &								
,	MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES	6.114	101.7	101.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.1	-0.4
	-,								
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	1.456	100.8	100.8	1.7	0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.0
94	Furniture; stuffed furnishings;								
05	lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;	0.801	106.5	106.5	3.6	0.3	-0.2	0.2	0.0
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof	0 5 1 4	02.0	02.0	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	and accessones thereot	0.514	93.8	93.8	-1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.
 Product categories included in this group have been modified due to concordance or coverage limitations.

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

· · ·	000=100, unie	Inc	Percent Change						
				Annual		Monthly			
Description	Percentage of U.S.	April	May	May 2004 to	Jan. 2005 to	Feb. 2005 to	March 2005 to	April 2005 to	
	Imports <u>1/</u>	2005	2005	May 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005	May 2005	
2/ Industrialized Countries	47.950	110.9	110.6	5.8	0.6	1.1	1.1	-0.3	
<ul> <li>Manufactured Goods</li> </ul>	43.658	106.5	106.8	3.8	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	
Nonmanufactured Goods	4.024	170.6	161.7	25.1	2.5	8.6	8.8	-5.2	
<u>3/</u> Other Countries	52.050	105.8	104.4	6.1	1.1	3.1	1.0	-1.3	
Manufactured Goods	43.318	98.5	98.1	1.9	0.3	0.6	0.4	-0.4	
Nonmanufactured Goods	8.625	163.3	156.0	24.0	4.0	12.8	3.2	-4.5	
Canada	17.203	122.8	121.0	8.3	0.8	2.2	2.2	-1.5	
Manufactured Goods	13.876	113.6	113.4	4.5	0.4	1.1	-0.2	-0.2	
Nonmanufactured Goods	3.133	174.8	164.6	24.1	2.2	7.3	10.7	-5.8	
4/ European Union	19.566	114.4	114.1	5.5	0.8	0.3	0.5	-0.3	
Manufactured Goods	19.013	113.1	113.0	4.5	0.6	-0.1	0.3	-0.1	
Nonmanufactured Goods	0.498	187.3	178.7	34.1	4.6	11.5	5.8	-4.6	
France (Dec. 2003=100)	2.069	102.6	102.8	0.6	-0.1	0.5	0.2	0.2	
Germany (Dec. 2003=100)	5.308	104.5	104.3	3.3	-0.2	0.1	0.6	-0.2	
United Kingdom (Dec. 2003=100)	3.185	112.1	111.0	7.6	0.5	2.2	1.4	-1.0	
<u>5/</u> Latin America	17.344	123.7	121.7	10.8	1.5	4.4	1.5	-1.6	
Manufactured Goods	13.359	117.7	116.8	6.7	0.9	1.1	0.8	-0.8	
Nonmanufactured Goods	3.941	166.2	160.1	23.0	3.1	13.7	3.1	-3.7	
Mexico (Dec. 2003=100)	10.952	109.8	109.3	6.4	0.7	3.4	0.6	-0.5	
<u>6/</u> Pacific Rim (Dec. 2003=100)	33.549	100.0	99.9	-0.6	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	
China (Dec. 2003=100)	12.320	99.2	99.3	-0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.3	0.1	
Japan	9.512	96.2	96.2	0.9	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	
<u>7/</u> Asian NICs	7.447	89.9	89.9	-1.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.9	0.0	
<u>8/</u> ASEAN (Dec. 2003=100)	6.608	98.5	98.0	-1.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	-0.5	
<u> </u>	3.353	145.6	140.3	17.8	4.8	9.5	1.2	-3.6	

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. n.a. Not available

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

						~ ~			
		Index	(	Percent Change					
				Annual		Quarterly			
	Trade			March	March	June	Sept.	Dec.	
Description	(Mil.			2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	
	of	December	March	to	to	to	to	to	
	Dollars)	2004	2005	March	June	Sept.	Dec.	March	
	<u>1/</u>			2005	2004	2004	2004	2005	
IMPORT									
Air Freight	4168	126.8	128.7	9.9	0.3	2.1	5.7	1.5	
Europe (Dec. 2003=100)	1407	122.5	121.1	14.2	1.8	3.9	9.3	-1.1	
Asia	2329	113.0	117.3	6.6	-1.3	0.6	3.4	3.8	
EXPORT									
Air Freight	2836	106.1	106.2	9.4	2.1	1.2	5.8	0.1	

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

May 2004-May 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted									
		Inde	ex	Percent Change					
				Annual		Monthly			
	Trade			May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	
Description	(Mil.			2004	2005	2005	2005	2005	
	of	April	May	to	to	to	to	to	
	Dollars)	2005	2005	May	Feb.	March	April	May	
	<u>1/</u>			2005	2005	2005	2005	2005	
IMPORT									
Air Passenger Fares	18253	116.9	116.2	3.6	-0.6	-0.1	6.3	-0.6	
Europe		110.2	111.7	3.5	0.4	-0.3	8.4	1.4	
Asia		107.4	109.9	5.7	-4.2	1.0	0.7	2.3	
Latin America/Caribbean	1916	113.8	111.0	-1.3	-4.3	0.5	2.9	-2.5	
EXPORT									
Air Passenger Fares	20319	133.5	142.6	15.5	-4.6	1.3	-2.1	6.8	
Europe	5394	159.8	172.1	18.8	-3.5	3.4	-2.0	7.7	
Asia	8936	113.2	126.9	14.6	-5.4	0.8	-6.4	12.1	
Latin America/Caribbean	3413	139.1	139.6	8.2	-7.0	-2.3	2.8	0.4	

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

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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

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 Table 10
 U.S. Inbound and Outbound Quarterly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services March 2004-March 2005
 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

		Index			Pe	rcent Chang	е	
				Annual		Quarterly		
Description	Trade (Mil.			March 2004	March 2004	June 2004	Sept. 2004	Dec. 2004
	of	December	March	to	to	to	to	to
	Dollars)	2004	2005	March	June	Sept.	Dec.	March
	<u>1/</u>			2005	2004	2004	2004	2005
INBOUND								
Air Freight	7483	125.1	126.3	8.7	0.3	1.8	5.4	1.0
Europe (Dec. 2003=100)		120.0	120.1	12.2	0.9	3.3	7.5	0.1
Asia	4180	112.0	113.8	6.1	-0.5	0.9	3.9	1.6
OUTBOUND								
Air Freight	5193	104.7	103.7	7.9	3.0	1.7	4.0	-1.0
Europe (Dec. 2003=100)		112.9	113.9	11.9	4.8	1.8	4.0	0.9
Asia	2365	103.7	100.5	4.7	1.7	0.9	5.3	-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 11	U.S. Inbound and Outbound	Monthly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
	May 2004-May 2005	2000=100, unless otherwise noted

		Inde	x	Percent Change					
				Annual		Monthly			
Description	Trade (Mil.			May 2004	Jan. 2005	Feb. 2005	March 2005	April 2005	
	of	April	May	to	to	to	to	to	
	Dollars)	2005	2005	May	Feb.	March	April	May	
	<u>1/</u>			2005	2005	2005	2005	2005	
INBOUND									
Air Passenger Fares (Dec. 2003=100)	38589	113.3	120.7	15.3	-4.2	1.5	-1.0	6.5	
Europe (Dec. 2003=100)	15654	115.3	123.9	19.0	-3.7	2.7	-0.5	7.5	
Asia (Dec. 2003=100)	12401	107.5	120.3	11.6	-5.3	1.5	-5.0	11.9	
Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100)	5604	109.4	109.7	8.8	-4.4	-3.2	1.1	0.3	
Canada (Dec. 2003=100)	2905	134.7	130.0	27.6	-1.6	2.4	7.8	-3.5	
Crude Oil Tanker Freight	3434	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-27.5	-11.6	n.a.	n.a.	
Ocean Liner Freight	17817	121.7	127.6	n.a.	-0.3	0.1	0.3	4.8	
U.S. East Coast	6938	115.8	124.2	n.a.	-0.1	0.2	0.8	7.3	
From Atlantic	3022	113.9	123.1	n.a.	-0.3	0.5	2.2	8.1	
From Pacific	2817	111.9	123.1	n.a.	0.1	0.0	-0.4	10.0	
U.S. West Coast	10879	126.0	130.3	n.a.	-0.4	0.0	0.0	3.4	
OUTBOUND									
Air Passenger Fares (Dec. 2003=100)	43898	112.1	111.4	4.4	-0.7	-0.2	6.8	-0.6	
Europe (Dec. 2003=100)	21857	115.8	115.4	1.4	0.3	-0.2	10.6	-0.3	
Asia (Dec. 2003=100)	7190	106.0	107.1	7.0	-4.5	0.3	5.2	1.0	
Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100)	9206	106.4	105.1	5.9	-1.2	0.2	1.1	-1.2	
Canada (Dec. 2003=100)	2982	125.2	124.5	15.3	3.9	3.0	3.8	-0.6	

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

## 17 TECHNICAL NOTE

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