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## U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES <br> - NOVEMBER 2005 -

Import prices decreased 1.7 percent in November, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today, following a 0.3 percent increase in October. Falling petroleum prices led the overall decrease, although nonpetroleum prices also declined. The U.S. Export price index decreased 0.9 percent in November after increasing 0.7 percent the previous month.

Percent changes in import and export price indexes
by End Use category

- not seasonally adjusted -

| Month | IMPORTS |  |  | EXPORTS |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Imports | Petroleum Imports | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Non- } \\ & \text { petroleum } \\ & \text { Imports } \end{aligned}$ | All Exports | $\begin{gathered} \text { Agri- } \\ \text { cultural } \\ \text { Exports } \end{gathered}$ | Nonagricultural Exports |
| 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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 |
| 2005 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | -0.1 |
| July | 1.2 | 7.7 | -0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| August | 1.4 | 7.4 r | 0.1 | -0.2 r | -0.6 | -0.1 |
| September | 2.1 r | 6.7 r | 0.9 r | 0.8 | -1.3 | 1.0 r |
| October | 0.3 r | -1.0 r | 0.9 r | 0.7 r | 0.2 | 0.7 r |
| November | -1.7 | -8.0 | -0.2 | -0.9 | -0.3 | -0.9 |
| November 2003-04 | 9.0 | 54.5 | 3.6 | 4.2 | -4.5 | 5.2 |
| November 2004-05 | 7.0 | 30.8 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 4.1 | 2.2 |

$\mathrm{r}=$ revised to reflect late reports and corrections by respondents.

Import Goods
The 1.7 percent decline in import prices was only the second monthly decrease in 2005 and the largest one-month drop since April 2003. The November decrease was largely driven by an 8.0 percent decline in petroleum prices, which had dipped 1.0 percent in October. Despite the recent decreases, petroleum prices were up 30.8 percent over the past year. Nonpetroleum prices also fell in November, decreasing 0.2 percent following 0.9 percent increases in September and October. Prices for nonpetroleum imports rose 2.6 percent for the year ended in November while overall import prices increased 7.0 percent over the same period.

The turnaround in nonpetroleum import prices resulted from lower prices for both consumer goods and for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials. The price index for consumer goods decreased 0.2 percent in November, paralleling the appreciation of the U.S. Dollar versus most foreign currencies. November prices for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials also declined 0.2 percent, as downturns in prices for natural gas, building materials, and chemicals more than offset higher metals prices. Despite the November declines, consumer goods prices increased 0.8 percent over the past 12 months, while prices for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials advanced 11.5 percent.

Import prices for capital goods, for automotive vehicles, and for foods, feeds, and beverages were all unchanged in November. Capital goods have recorded only one monthly increase since January and declined 0.7 percent over the past year. In contrast, automotive vehicle prices and prices for foods, feeds, and beverages rose over the past 12 months, increasing 0.5 percent and 4.4 percent, respectively.

## Export Goods

Export prices fell 0.9 percent in November, the first monthly decline since August and the largest one-month drop in nearly 14 years. Both the price indexes for agricultural goods and for nonagricultural goods decreased in November, falling 0.3 percent and 0.9 percent, respectively. Agricultural prices declined for the third time in the past four months, but an upward trend over the first half of 2005 led the index up 4.1 percent for the year ended in November. The decrease in nonagricultural prices followed increases of 1.0 percent in September and 0.7 percent in October, and the index rose 2.2 percent over the past year. Overall export prices also increased for the November 2004-2005 period, rising 2.4 percent.

The decline in nonagricultural prices was led by lower prices for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials, although a decline in capital goods prices also contributed to the decrease. The price index for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials fell 2.6 percent in November, driven mostly by a 17.3 percent drop in fuel prices. Despite the November decline, fuel prices were 22.9 percent higher than the same time a year ago, and prices for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials increased 7.8 percent over the same period. Capital goods prices decreased 0.2 percent in November and 0.7 percent over the past 12 months, in each case led by continued price declines for computers.

The price indexes for automotive vehicles and for consumer goods were unchanged in November. Over the past 12 months, automotive vehicle prices advanced 1.1 percent, and prices for consumer goods rose 0.8 percent.

Import prices from Canada declined 1.1 percent in November, led by lower petroleum prices. The November decline was the first downward movement for the index since May and only the second monthly drop recorded in 2005. Notwithstanding the decrease, prices of imports from Canada increased 11.9 percent over the past year.

The price indexes for imports from Mexico and from the European Union were also impacted by lower petroleum prices in November, declining 1.1 percent and 0.7 percent, respectively. For the year ended in November, prices of imports from Mexico increased 5.2 percent, while import prices from the European Union rose 3.1 percent.

Prices of imports from China edged down 0.1 percent in November following a modest 0.2 percent increase in October. The index declined 0.5 percent over the past 12 months. Import prices from Japan also fell, decreasing 0.2 percent in November and 0.1 percent over the past year.

## Import and Export Services

Import air passenger fares decreased 4.9 percent in November, the fourth consecutive monthly decline for the index. For the second month in a row, the decrease was led by seasonal declines in European fares, but despite the recent downward trend, the index increased 4.4 percent for the year ended in November. Export air passenger fares fell 5.7 percent in November and 1.6 percent over the past 12 months. Similar to imports, the November decline primarily resulted from lower European fares.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF CHANGES IN THE U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES

Beginning with the release of January 2006 data on February 16, in addition to the existing tables, the U.S. Import and Export Price Indexes will also be published by the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS). The new NAICS index series will begin with December 2005, which will be set equal to 100. In addition, all of the services indexes currently found in tables $8-11$ will be published on a monthly basis and displayed in one composite table.

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

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { END } \\ & \text { USE } \end{aligned}$ | Description | Relative Importance <br> October 2005 1/ | Index |  | Percent Change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Annual | Monthly |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { October } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Nov. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
|  | ALL COMMODITIES.. | 100.000 | 114.8 | 112.9 | 7.0 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 0.3 | -1.7 |
|  | ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM. | 79.662 | 103.7 | 103.5 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.9 | -0.2 |
|  | ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING FUELS <br> (Dec. 2001=100). | 76.515 | 105.0 | 104.9 | 1.4 | -0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| 0 | FOODS, FEEDS, \& BEVERAGES. | 4.441 | 115.2 | 115.2 | 4.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
| 00 | Agricultural foods, feeds \& beverages, excluding distilled beverages. | 3.264 | 123.4 | 124.2 | 4.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| 01 | Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages)...... | 1.177 | 96.7 | 95.1 | 4.9 | 0.8 | -0.2 | 1.4 | -1.7 |
| 1 | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES \& MATERIALS. INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES \& MATERIALS | 36.838 | 168.8 | 161.2 | 21.0 | 4.2 | 5.7 | 1.1 | -4.5 |
|  | EXCLUDING PETROLEUM. <br> INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES \& MATERIALS | 16.501 | 131.7 | 131.4 | 11.5 | 0.5 | 4.4 | 4.0 | -0.2 |
|  | EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100). INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES \& MATERIALS, | 13.354 | 130.0 | 129.8 | 5.3 | -0.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | -0.2 |
|  | DURABLE..................................... | 8.082 | 120.6 | 120.6 | 4.0 | -0.5 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 0.0 |
|  | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES \& MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM............ | 8.419 | 144.1 | 143.6 | 19.6 | 1.5 | 8.1 | 6.7 | -0.3 |
| 10 | Fuels \& lubricants... | 23.485 | 224.0 | 208.4 | 32.7 | 7.0 | 8.4 | 1.0 | -7.0 |
| 100 | Petroleum \& petroleum products......................... | 20.339 | 221.7 | 203.9 | 30.8 | 7.4 | 6.7 | -1.0 | -8.0 |
| 10000 | Crude. | 14.645 | 216.5 | 203.1 | 30.5 | 8.6 | 3.7 | -2.9 | -6.2 |
| 11 | Paper \& paper base stocks. | 0.940 | 105.3 | 105.8 | 4.6 | -0.5 | -0.1 | 1.1 | 0.5 |
| 12 | Materials associated with nondurable supplies \& materials. | 4.438 | 118.6 | 117.9 | 7.9 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.3 | -0.6 |
| 13 | Selected building materials.. | 2.013 | 119.9 | 115.9 | 3.7 | -0.3 | 2.6 | 2.0 | -3.3 |
| 14 | Unfinished metals related to durable goods............... | 3.062 | 140.4 | 143.6 | 5.3 | -1.2 | 0.8 | 1.6 | 2.3 |
| 15 | Finished metals related to durable goods.................. | 1.404 | 118.2 | 118.0 | 4.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.8 | -0.2 |
| 16 | Nonmetals related to durable goods......................... | 1.497 | 100.9 | 100.9 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| 2 | CAPITAL GOODS. | 20.127 | 91.3 | 91.3 | -0.7 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| 20 | Electric generating equipment.. | 2.423 | 99.4 | 99.4 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| 21 | Nonelectrical machinery. | 15.909 | 88.4 | 88.4 | -1.3 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -0.3 | 0.0 |
| 22 | Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100)... | 1.795 | 106.7 | 106.7 | 2.4 | 0.1 | -0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| 3 | AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS \& ENGINES............. | 15.016 | 103.6 | 103.6 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4 | CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES. | 23.577 | 99.7 | 99.5 | 0.8 | -0.2 | 0.3 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| 40 | Nondurables, manufactured.. | 11.725 | 102.9 | 102.8 | 1.7 | -0.1 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| 41 | Durables, manufactured.. | 10.681 | 96.3 | 96.0 | -0.2 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | -0.3 |
| 42 | Nonmanufactured consumer goods......................... | 1.171 | 100.4 | 100.0 | 2.0 | -1.2 | 1.7 | -0.2 | -0.4 |

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.
NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
n.a. Not available

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


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

| SITC <br> Rev. 3 | Description | Relative Importance October 2005 1/ | Index |  |  Percent Change <br> Annual Monthly |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { October } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { November } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Nov. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
|  | ALL COMMODITIES. | 100.000 | 114.8 | 112.9 | 7.0 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 0.3 | -1.7 |
| 0 | FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS. | 3.460 | 115.0 | 115.2 | 3.8 | 0.5 | -0.4 | 1.4 | 0.2 |
| 01 | Meat and meat preparations. | 0.397 | 140.5 | 141.2 | 7.1 | -0.1 | 1.0 | -0.3 | 0.5 |
| 03 | Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof. | 0.877 | 92.9 | 90.9 | 7.3 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 1.8 | -2.2 |
| 05 | Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried. | 0.833 | 110.5 | 112.0 | -3.7 | 2.3 | -2.5 | 4.0 | 1.4 |
| 07 | Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof.... | 0.448 | 117.4 | 122.1 | 12.1 | -1.5 | 0.3 | -1.4 | 4.0 |
| $\underline{2}$ | Other food and live animals. | 0.905 | 131.1 | 130.2 | 2.4 | -0.4 | -0.2 | 0.6 | -0.7 |
| 1 | BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.. | 0.880 | 108.6 | 108.2 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.4 |
| 11 | Beverages. | 0.793 | 109.4 | 109.0 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | -0.4 |
| 2 | CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.. | 1.819 | 131.9 | 130.1 | 6.9 | -0.6 | 3.2 | -0.1 | -1.4 |
| 24 | Cork and wood... | 0.651 | 126.2 | 119.6 | 2.1 | -1.2 | 3.0 | 1.4 | -5.2 |
| 25 | Woodpulp and recovered paper.. | 0.216 | 105.9 | 105.6 | 7.8 | -1.3 | -0.6 | 3.6 | -0.3 |
| 28 | Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.. | 0.385 | 187.1 | 190.8 | 14.3 | 3.1 | 4.1 | -3.2 | 2.0 |
| 29 | Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.. | 0.202 | 102.7 | 101.9 | 5.6 | -7.6 | 10.9 | -3.1 | -0.8 |
| 3 | MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS | 22.664 | 224.7 | 208.5 | 32.6 | 7.2 | 8.1 | 0.7 | -7.2 |
| 33 | Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials.... | 19.629 | 221.4 | 202.9 | 30.7 | 7.4 | 6.2 | -1.5 | -8.4 |
| 34 | Gas, natural and manufactured.. | 3.035 | 246.6 | 246.4 | 48.3 | 4.2 | 26.9 | 18.2 | -0.1 |
| 5 | CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S. | 8.203 | 115.3 | 114.6 | 5.2 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.7 | -0.6 |
| 51 | Organic chemicals... | 2.706 | 114.3 | 111.2 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.9 | -2.7 |
| 52 | Inorganic chemicals... | 0.745 | 154.1 | 154.0 | 21.5 | 2.6 | 5.1 | 1.9 | -0.1 |
| 53 | Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials. | 0.178 | 99.6 | 99.5 | 0.8 | -0.5 | -0.6 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| 54 | Medicinal and pharmaceutical products... | 2.421 | 110.5 | 110.2 | 2.6 | -0.2 | 0.4 | -0.5 | -0.3 |
| 55 | Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.. | 0.394 | 95.1 | 95.0 | 1.4 | 0.8 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| 57 | Plastics in primary forms.. | 0.657 | 129.6 | 134.0 | 18.4 | -1.7 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 3.4 |
| 58 | Plastics in nonprimary forms. | 0.357 | 106.5 | 107.1 | 1.9 | -0.3 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 0.6 |
| 59 | Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.. | 0.537 | 103.6 | 103.5 | 8.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1.8 | -0.1 |
| 6 | MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL. | 11.197 | 114.0 | 114.2 | 4.4 | -0.3 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.2 |
| 62 | Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.. | 0.639 | 104.5 | 104.5 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 63 | Cork and wood manufactures other than furniture.. | 0.806 | 123.1 | 115.5 | 6.4 | 0.7 | 6.3 | 5.3 | -6.2 |
| 64 | Paper and paperboard, cut to size... | 1.173 | 104.0 | 104.5 | 5.1 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 |
| 65 | Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related prod.. | 1.282 | 105.2 | 105.5 | 1.4 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 1.3 | 0.3 |
| 66 | Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.. | 2.001 | 102.1 | 101.9 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | -0.2 |
| 67 | Iron and steel. | 1.375 | 151.7 | 152.7 | -4.3 | -1.7 | -2.1 | -0.3 | 0.7 |
| 68 | Nonferrous metals.. | 1.868 | 125.1 | 128.6 | 18.4 | -0.3 | 2.3 | 3.3 | 2.8 |
| 69 | Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.............................. | 1.969 | 108.9 | 108.8 | 3.3 | -0.3 | 0.5 | 0.0 | -0.1 |

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

| SITC Rev. 3 | Description | Relative Importance | Index |  | Percent Change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Annual | Monthly |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { October } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Nov. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 7 | MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT. | 36.066 | 94.3 | 94.3 | -0.8 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| 71 | Power generating machinery and equipment......... | 2.376 | 104.4 | 104.3 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| 72 | Machinery specialized for particular industries......... | 1.569 | 111.0 | 111.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 73 | Metalworking machinery... | 0.419 | 118.2 | 118.1 | 6.3 | -0.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| 74 | General industrial machinery, equipment, \& machine parts, n.e.s... | 2.906 | 107.3 | 107.3 | 2.3 | -0.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 75 | Computer equipment and office machines............... | 4.773 | 68.0 | 67.9 | -7.0 | -0.1 | -1.2 | -0.4 | -0.1 |
| 76 | Telecommunications \& sound recording \& reproducing apparatus \& equipment. | 4.526 | 80.3 | 80.0 | -4.1 | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.2 | -0.4 |
| 77 | Electrical machinery and equipment... | 5.702 | 93.8 | 93.7 | -0.7 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| 78 | Road vehicles............................... | 12.527 | 104.2 | 104.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| 8 | MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES. | 15.278 | 101.3 | 101.3 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 81 | Prefabricated buildings; plumbing, heat \& lighting fixtures, n.e.s. | 0.428 | 96.3 | 96.3 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 82 | Furniture and parts thereof............................ | 1.824 | 106.5 | 106.5 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 83 | Travel goods, handbags and similar containers........ | 0.356 | 106.3 | 106.2 | 2.4 | -0.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| 84 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories............. | 4.798 | 100.8 | 100.7 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| 85 | Footwear.... | 1.108 | 100.9 | 100.9 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 87 | Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s. | 1.697 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 1.5 | -0.1 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| 88 | Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s. | 0.807 | 98.3 | 98.4 | 0.1 | -0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| 89 | Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.............. | 4.261 | 100.3 | 100.2 | 1.6 | -0.2 | 0.9 | 0.3 | -0.1 |

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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.
n.a. Not available

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

| SITC Rev. 3 | Description | Relative Importance <br> October 2005 1/ | Index |  | Percent Change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Annual | Monthly |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { October } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | Nov. 2004 to Nov. 2005 | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
|  | ALL COMMODITIES. | 100.000 | 108.2 | 107.2 | 2.4 | -0.2 | 0.8 | 0.7 | -0.9 |
| 0 | FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS. | 6.611 | 124.8 | 123.4 | 4.0 | -0.1 | -0.2 | 0.7 | -1.1 |
| 01 | Meat and meat preparations... | 1.312 | 142.8 | 141.9 | 13.2 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 0.1 | -0.6 |
| 03 | Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof. | 0.481 | 115.2 | 115.3 | 6.5 | 2.1 | -0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| 04 | Cereals and cereal preparations.. | 1.637 | 121.7 | 119.9 | 6.0 | -1.7 | -1.2 | 4.0 | -1.5 |
| 05 | Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried. | 1.547 | 128.3 | 124.4 | -9.3 | -0.5 | -1.7 | -0.7 | -3.0 |
| 08 | Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals). | 0.603 | 119.6 | 122.6 | 16.1 | 0.5 | -0.4 | -0.4 | 2.5 |
| 09 | Miscellaneous edible products and preparations... | 0.494 | 107.4 | 107.3 | 4.6 | -0.4 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| $\underline{21}$ | Other food and live animals................................... | 0.538 | 114.8 | 112.5 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 0.3 | -0.3 | -2.0 |
| 1 | BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.. | 0.665 | 102.0 | 101.8 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | -1.5 | -0.2 |
| 12 | Tobacco and tobacco manufactures... | 0.413 | 101.7 | 101.7 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2 | CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.. | 5.384 | 127.2 | 128.5 | 7.5 | -0.4 | -2.0 | 0.6 | 1.0 |
| 22 | Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits....... | 1.039 | 116.8 | 119.7 | 8.5 | -1.0 | -10.3 | -4.0 | 2.5 |
| 24 | Cork and wood.. | 0.498 | 97.0 | 96.7 | -1.7 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 0.1 | -0.3 |
| 25 | Woodpulp and recovered paper.. | 0.632 | 98.7 | 97.4 | -0.8 | -0.9 | 0.3 | -0.6 | -1.3 |
| 26 | Textile fibers and their waste. | 0.626 | 107.9 | 108.6 | 11.4 | -1.0 | 1.5 | 3.0 | 0.6 |
| 28 | Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.......... | 1.455 | 214.2 | 213.9 | 8.6 | -1.1 | -0.3 | 3.9 | -0.1 |
| 21 | Other crude materials, inedible, except fuels.. | 1.134 | 132.1 | 136.2 | 12.7 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 3.1 |
| 3 | MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS. $\qquad$ | 4.135 | 244.2 | 195.5 | 29.4 | -0.6 | 20.5 | 5.4 | -19.9 |
| 33 | Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials.... | 3.073 | 244.8 | 198.6 | 31.5 | -1.6 | 21.5 | 2.3 | -18.9 |
| 5 | CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S............. | 15.193 | 120.9 | 120.2 | 6.5 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 1.9 | -0.6 |
| 51 | Organic chemicals................................................. | 3.741 | 138.0 | 131.1 | 2.8 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 1.1 | -5.0 |
| 52 | Inorganic chemicals................................................ | 0.959 | 122.2 | 122.1 | 10.6 | -0.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | -0.1 |
| 54 | Medicinal and pharmaceutical products............... | 2.642 | 107.4 | 107.2 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | -0.2 |
| 55 | Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps............... | 1.063 | 112.5 | 112.4 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| 56 | Fertilizers............................................................. | 0.485 | 164.0 | 167.2 | 12.0 | 3.4 | 3.8 | 1.2 | 2.0 |
| 57 | Plastics in primary forms.... | 2.872 | 136.6 | 139.8 | 19.3 | 1.2 | 2.9 | 7.6 | 2.3 |
| 58 | Plastics in nonprimary forms............... | 0.942 | 105.6 | 107.7 | 9.1 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 2.0 |
| 59 | Chemical materials and products, n.e.s...................... | 1.878 | 107.3 | 107.4 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.1 |
| 6 | MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL. | 10.394 | 114.5 | 115.1 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| 62 | Rubber manufactures, n.e.s... | 0.702 | 116.8 | 117.0 | 4.1 | -0.3 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 64 | Uncoated Paper/paperboard, and linerboard........... | 1.432 | 103.0 | 102.6 | -1.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | -0.7 | -0.4 |
| 65 | Textile yarn, fabrics, and made-up articles, n.e.s.......... | 1.573 | 110.6 | 110.7 | 3.2 | -0.3 | -0.4 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| 66 | Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.................... | 1.573 | 105.2 | 106.0 | 4.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| 67 | Iron and steel.. | 1.339 | 157.9 | 159.2 | -6.1 | -0.6 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 0.8 |
| 68 | Nonferrous metals.. | 1.217 | 110.2 | 113.2 | 12.5 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 2.7 |
| 69 | Manufactures of metals, n.e.s................................... | 2.166 | 119.3 | 119.3 | 5.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 |

See footnotes at end of table

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

| SITC <br> Rev. 3 | Description | Relative Importance <br> October 2005 1/ | Index |  | Percent Change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Annual | Monthly |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { October } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Nov. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| $\underline{21}$ | Other manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (Dec. 2001=100). | 0.392 | 116.6 | 117.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | -0.4 | 0.0 | 0.9 |
| 7 | MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.. | 45.626 | 98.0 | 97.8 | -0.6 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.2 |
| 71 | Power generating machinery and equipment......... | 4.507 | 111.8 | 112.4 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| 72 | Machinery specialized for particular industries........ | 3.626 | 112.6 | 112.7 | 4.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| 73 | Metalworking machinery... | 0.596 | 103.7 | 103.7 | 1.8 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 74 | General industrial machinery, equipment, \& parts, n.e.s. | 4.635 | 109.8 | 110.0 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| 75 | Computer equipment and office machines.............. | 4.866 | 78.1 | 76.4 | -9.5 | 0.0 | -0.5 | -1.3 | -2.2 |
| 76 | Telecommunications \& sound recording \& reproducing apparatus \& equipment. | 3.033 | 89.3 | 89.4 | -1.2 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| 77 | Electrical machinery and equipment............ | 10.822 | 84.8 | 84.5 | -3.6 | -1.7 | -0.5 | 0.0 | -0.4 |
| 78 | Road vehicles. | 8.570 | 103.8 | 103.9 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| 8 | MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES......... | 10.880 | 102.7 | 102.6 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| 82 | Furniture and parts thereof.................................. | 0.581 | 103.5 | 103.5 | -0.9 | 0.0 | 0.1 | -1.0 | 0.0 |
| 84 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories............ | 0.739 | 96.7 | 96.7 | -0.2 | -0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 87 | Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s. | 4.197 | 103.6 | 103.5 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| 88 | Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.. | 0.911 | 96.0 | 95.6 | -0.6 | -0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.4 |
| 89 | Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s........... | 4.083 | 104.3 | 104.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.8 | -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.
NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication. n.a. Not available

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

| Harmo- <br> nized <br> System | Description | Relative Importance <br> October 2005 1/ | Index |  |  Percent Change <br> Annual Monthly |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { October } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | Nov. 2004 to Nov. 2005 | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ |
| 1 | LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS. | $\begin{aligned} & 1.381 \\ & 0.346 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 116.9 \\ & 138.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 115.2 \\ & 139.3 \end{aligned}$ | 5.4 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.2 | -1.50.6 |
| 02 | Meat and edible meat offal. |  |  |  | 3.4 | -0.4 | 0.2 |  |  |
| 03 | Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates......... Other live animals; animal products. | $\begin{aligned} & 0.713 \\ & 0.322 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 94.1 \\ 151.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 92.1 \\ 148.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10.6 \\ & -4.4 \end{aligned}$ | 1.4-0.3 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & 0.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.8 \\ & 1.8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -2.1 \\ & -2.1 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\underline{21}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | VEGETABLE PRODUCTS. | 1.1200.322 | 111.7 | 112.6 | 1.8 | -0.5 | -0.5 | 2.2 | 0.8-0.5 |
| 07 | Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers. |  | 150.0 | 149.3 | -1.3 | 6.3 | -3.2 | 9.6 |  |
| 08 | Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons. | 0.282 | 85.6 | 83.5 | -12.4 | 0.7 | -2.2 | 0.2 | -2.5 |
| 09 | Coffee, tea, mate and spices. | 0.238 | 108.3 | 117.1 | 23.3 | -2.5 | -1.5 | -0.8 | 8.1 |
| $\underline{21}$ | Other vegetable products. | 0.278 | 114.2 | 113.7 | 5.1 | -6.6 | 5.1 | -1.0 | -0.4 |
| IV | PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO............................................... | 2.091 | 114.6 | 114.9 | 3.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | -0.3 | 0.3 |
| 20 | Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants. | 0.233 | 102.1 | 107.2 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 5.0-0.3 |
| 22 | Beverages, spirits, and vinegar. | 0.805 | 107.1 | 106.8 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |  |
| $\underline{21}$ | Other prepared foodstuffs.. | 1.053 | 124.3 | 124.0 | 4.0 | 0.2 | 0.5 | -0.7 | -0.2 |
| V |  | 23.206 | 222.7 | 206.7 | 32.0 | 7.1 | 8.1 | 0.8 | -7.2 |
| 27 | Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax | 22.906 | 222.7125.3 | 206.5126.1 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 7.2 \\ & 0.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8.2 \\ & 0.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.8 \\ & 0.3 \end{aligned}$ | -7.30.6 |
| $\underline{21}$ | Other mineral products (Dec. 2001=100)..................... | 0.300 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 32.4 \\ & 12.4 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| VI | PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES. | 7.401 | 114.2 | 112.8 | $3.8$ | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 | -1.2 |
| 28 | Inorganic chemicals. | 0.795 | 152.0 | 151.9 | 22.3 | 3.1 | 5.8 | 2.2 | -0.1 |
| 29 | Organic chemicals... | 2.977 | 114.0 | 110.2 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | -3.3 |
| 30 | Pharmaceutical products.......... | 2.133 | 110.9 | 110.5 | 3.1 | -0.4 | 0.3 | -0.5 | -0.4 |
| 32 | Tanning \& dyeing extracts; dye \& pigments; varnish \& paints; putty.. | 0.181 | 100.6 | 100.5 | 2.1 | -0.5 | -0.4 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| 33 | Essential oils and resinoids (Dec. 2001=100)..... | 0.342 | 107.2 | 107.0 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 0.1 | -0.3 | -0.2 |
| 38 | Miscellaneous chemical products. | 0.366 | 93.0 | 93.0 | 1.1 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| 21 | Other products of the chemical or allied industries... | 0.470 | $\begin{aligned} & 115.1 \\ & 115.2 \\ & 114.9 \end{aligned}$ |  | 4.7 | -1.7 | -0.4 | 1.8 | 2.9 |
| VII | PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER <br> AND ARTICLES THEREOF. | $\begin{aligned} & 2.682 \\ & 1.803 \\ & 0.879 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 7.17.66.0 | -0.4 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| 39 | Plastics and articles thereof. |  |  | 117.1 |  | -0.7 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.6 |
| 40 | Rubber and articles thereof. |  |  | 115.7 |  | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| VIII | RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, <br> TRAVEL GOODS, ETC. $\qquad$ <br> Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials. $\qquad$ | 0.635 | 103.9 | $103.8$ | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| 42 |  | 0.544 | 104.0 | 104.0 | 1.9 | -0.2 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| IX | WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK | 1.470 | 126.2 | 120.1 | 2.9 | -0.3 | 3.6 | 2.5 | -4.8 |
| X | WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND <br> PAPER PRODUCTS. $\qquad$ <br> Pulp wood or other fibrous cellulosic material; waste paper/paperboard. $\qquad$ | 1.668 | 104.1 | 104.3 | 4.8 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.2 |
| 47 |  | 0.214 | 105.5 | 105.2 | 7.9 | -1.3 | -0.6 | 3.6 | -0.3 |
| 48 | Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard. | $\begin{aligned} & 1.177 \\ & 0.277 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 103.0 \\ & 112.8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 103.5 \\ & 112.1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5.3 \\ & 0.6 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -0.2 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$ | 0.00.2 | 0.30.2 | 0.5-0.6 |
| 49 | Printed matter. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| XI | TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES. | 5.698 | 100.799.7 | 100.7 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 61 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Harmonized System | Description | Relative Importance <br> October 2005 1/ | Index |  |  Percent Change <br> Annual Monthly |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | October 2005 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { November } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Nov. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 62 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted. | 2.341 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 63 | Made-up or worn textile articles.. | 0.460 | 92.8 | 92.8 | -1.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| $\underline{21}$ | Other textile \& textile articles.. | 0.824 | 108.7 | 109.1 | 2.0 | -0.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.4 |
| XII | HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS, <br> ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC. $\qquad$ <br> Footwear and parts of such articles. <br> Other footwear, headgear, umbrellas, whips, art. flowers, etc. $\qquad$ | 1.310 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 64 |  | 1.105 | 100.7 | 100.7 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| $\underline{21}$ |  | 0.205 | 97.3 | 97.3 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| XIII | STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC. | 0.938 | 105.8 | 105.4 | 1.2 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | -0.4 |
| 68 | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (Dec. 2001=100).. | 0.292 | 100.8 | 100.9 | 2.7 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 0.1 |
| 69 | Ceramic products................................ | 0.326 | 111.4 | 110.2 | 0.5 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | -1.1 |
| 70 | Glass and glassware. | 0.320 | 104.2 | 104.0 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | -0.2 |
| XIV | PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS... | 2.316 | 103.0 | 104.1 | 7.5 | -0.2 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 1.1 |
| XV | BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL. | 5.025 | 131.8 | 132.8 | 3.8 | -0.7 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.8 |
| 72 | Iron and steel... | 1.112 | 157.6 | 157.8 | -10.5 | -1.3 | -1.6 | -1.6 | 0.1 |
| 73 | Articles of iron or steel.. | 1.385 | 124.4 | 124.0 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | -0.3 |
| 74 | Copper and articles thereof... | 0.471 | 164.5 | 171.4 | 31.5 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 2.1 | 4.2 |
| 76 | Aluminum and articles thereof... | 0.811 | 116.0 | 118.5 | 5.6 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 2.2 |
| 82 | Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof... | 0.393 | 104.7 | 104.4 | -0.8 | -0.9 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.3 |
| 83 | Miscellaneous articles of base metal.. | 0.423 | 111.7 | 111.5 | 1.5 | -0.1 | 0.1 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| $\underline{21}$ | Other base metals and articles of base metals.. | 0.430 | 130.2 | 132.2 | 16.3 | -6.8 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| XVI | MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE \& SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC. | 21.998 | 88.5 | 88.4 | -1.8 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| 84 | Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof | 11.483 | 88.8 | 88.8 | -1.7 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| 85 | Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders \& reproducers, parts. | 10.515 | 88.1 | 87.9 | -2.1 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.2 |
| XVII | VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT. | 13.919 | 104.7 | 104.7 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 87 | Motor vehicles and their parts. | 12.717 | 104.1106.1 | 104.1 | 0.6 | 0.1 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 88 | Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof (Dec. 2002=100)..... | 1.050 |  | 106.1 | 2.8 | 0.1 |  | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| XVIII | OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL \& MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; \& TIMEPIECES. <br> Optical, photographic, measuring and medical instruments. $\qquad$ <br> Clocks and watches and parts thereof. $\qquad$ | 3.090 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 0.7 | -0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | -0.2 |
| 90 |  | 2.732 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 0.8 | -0.2 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| 91 |  | 0.257 | 108.0 | 107.9 | 0.5 | -0.3 | 0.2 | 0.8 | -0.1 |
| XX | MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES <br> Furniture \& stuffed furnishings; lamps \& lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg.. | 3.853 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.00.0 |
| 94 |  | 2.198 |  | 103.5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 95 | Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof. |  | 103.5 |  | 2.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 0.0 |
| 96 | Miscellaneous manufactured articles. | 0.214 | 101.5 |  | 3.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | -0.1 |

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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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November 2004-November $2005 \quad 2000=100$, unless otherwise noted


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| Harmonized System | Description | Relative Importance <br> October 2005 1/ | Index |  | Percent Change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Annual | Monthly |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { October } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Nov. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ |
| XI | TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES. | $\begin{aligned} & 2.811 \\ & 0.691 \end{aligned}$ | 100.991.7 | $\begin{array}{r} 101.1 \\ 92.2 \end{array}$ | 3.5 | -0.5 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.20.5 |
| 52 | Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof..... |  |  |  | 3.7 | -0.8 | 1.2 | -0.5 |  |
| 61 | Apparel \& clothing knitted <br> or crocheted (Dec. 2001=100). | 0.401 | 05. |  | -0.1 | -0.4 |  |  | 0.0 |
| 62 | Apparel Articles \& Accessories, not knitted............. | 0.277 | 95.6 | 95.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| $\underline{21}$ | Other textile and textile articles (Dec. 2001=100)...... | 1.443 | 114.0 | 114.1 | 5.1 | -0.4 | -0.5 | 1.0 | 0.1 |
| XIII | STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC. <br> Glass and glassware. | $\begin{aligned} & 0.812 \\ & 0.473 \end{aligned}$ | 102.795.2 | $\begin{array}{r} 103.2 \\ 96.1 \end{array}$ | 3.50.6 | 0.1 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & 0.1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.8 \\ & -1.2 \end{aligned}$ | 0.50.9 |
| 70 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| XIV | PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS. | 2.481 | 113.0 | 114.6 | 6.9 | -0.3 | 1.3 | 3.6 | 1.4 |
| XV | BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS. | 5.369 | 133.7 | 133.8 | 3.4 | -0.3 | 0.2 | 2.1 | 0.1 |
| 72 | Iron and steel... | 1.323 | 158.2 | 153.9 | -14.1 | -2.9 | -0.1 | 5.8 | -2.7 |
| 73 | Articles of iron or steel... | 1.299 | 125.7 | 125.7 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 74 | Copper and articles thereof.................................... | 0.552 | 159.8 | 166.1 | 27.8 | 1.2 | -0.5 | 4.0 | 3.9 |
| 76 | Aluminum and articles thereof............... | 0.794 | 115.0 | 117.6 | 5.3 | 1.3 | 1.8 | -0.2 | 2.3 |
| 82 | Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.. | 0.397 | 105.4 | 105.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| 83 | Miscellaneous articles of base metal...................... | 0.442 | 117.1 | 117.2 | 5.2 | -0.3 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| XVI | MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC.. | 31.686 | 93.6 | 93.3 | -1.6 | -0.5 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.3 |
| 84 | Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof | 14.285 | 86.6 | 86.4 | -0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -0.4 |
| 85 | Electrical machinery and equipment and parts and accessories thereof. |  |  |  | -2.8 | -1.4 | -0.3 | 0.1 | -0.2 |
| XVII | VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT | 13.7408.905 | $\begin{aligned} & 109.8 \\ & 104.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 109.9 \\ & 104.0 \end{aligned}$ | 2.11.1 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.2 \\ & 0.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & 0.1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & 0.4 \end{aligned}$ | 0.10.0 |
| 87 | Motor vehicles and their parts................................ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| XVIII | OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL \& MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; \& TIMEPIECES. | 6.033 | 101.6 | 101.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 |
| XX | MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES......... | 1.427 | 100.1 | 100.1 | -0.9 | 0.0 | 0.1 | -0.7 | 0.0 |
|  | lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;............. | 0.784 | 105.593.8 | 105.593.8 | -0.8 | -0.1 | 0.1 | -0.8 | 0.0 |
| 95 | Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof. | 0.508 |  |  | -0.7 |  | 0.1 | -0.6 |  |

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.
n.a. Not available

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


[^0]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 Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services September 2004-September $2005 \quad 2000=100$, unless otherwise noted

| Description | Trade <br> (Mil. <br> of <br> Dollars) <br> $\underline{1 /}$ | Index |  | Percent Change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Annual | Quarterly |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Dec. } \\ 2004 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Dec. <br> 2004 <br> to <br> March <br> 2005 | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { March } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { June } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 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 November 2004-November $2005 \quad 2000=100$, unless otherwise noted

| November 2004-November 2005 2000=100, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Description | $\begin{gathered} \text { Trade } \\ \text { (Mil. } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Dollars) } \\ \underline{1 /} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Index |  |  Percent Change <br> Annual Monthly <br> Aver  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { October } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | November 2005 | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Nov. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| IMPORT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Air Passenger Fares... | 18253 | 118.5 | 112.7 | 4.4 | -0.8 | -5.3 | -4.4 | -4.9 |
| Europe........................................ | 11250 | 113.5 | 104.7 | 4.6 | 0.0 | -4.2 | -6.7 | -7.8 |
| Asia..... | 2626 | 108.2 | 108.5 | 1.9 | -1.8 | -16.4 | -0.6 | 0.3 |
| Latin America/Caribbean............... | 1916 | 110.8 | 110.9 | -1.1 | -1.8 | -4.9 | -1.1 | 0.1 |
| EXPORT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Air Passenger Fares........................... | 20319 | 135.6 | 127.9 | -1.6 | 5.2 | -9.9 | -2.8 | -5.7 |
| Europe........................................ | 5394 | 161.7 | 145.3 | -4.8 | 0.0 | -12.8 | -2.0 | -10.1 |
| Asia........................................... | 8936 | 112.0 | 108.7 | -5.5 | 16.6 | -15.5 | -6.4 | -2.9 |
| Latin America/Caribbean............... | 3413 | 139.8 | 139.9 | 3.3 | -5.1 | -1.2 | -2.0 | 0.1 |

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.
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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 $2005 \quad 2000=100$, unless otherwise noted

| Description | Trade (Mil. of Dollars) 1/ | Index |  | Percent Change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | June$2005$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Annual } \\ \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Quarterly |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { September } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Dec. } \\ 2004 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. } \\ 2004 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { March } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { March } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { June } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | June <br> 2005 <br> to <br> Sept. <br> 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 November 2004-November $2005 \quad$ 2000 $=100$, unless otherwise noted

| Description | Trade <br> (Mil. of Dollars) 1/ | Index |  | Percent Change |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Annual | Monthly |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { October } \\ & 2005 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { November } \\ 2005 \end{gathered}$ | Nov. <br> 2004 <br> to <br> Nov. <br> 2005 | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Sept. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } \\ 2005 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 2005 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| INBOUND |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Air Passenger Fares (Dec.2003=100).................... | 38589 | 115.6 | 108.2 | -1.7 | 3.1 | -8.9 | -2.3 | -6.4 |
| Europe (Dec. 2003=100)................................. | 15654 | 116.2 | 104.7 | -4.4 | -0.7 | -12.5 | -2.1 | -9.9 |
| Asia (Dec. 2003=100)... | 12401 | 107.7 | 102.7 | -6.7 | 13.0 | -12.2 | -6.0 | -4.6 |
| Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100).......... | 5604 | 109.1 | 109.1 | 0.8 | -4.5 | -1.1 | -0.8 | 0.0 |
| Canada (Dec. 2003=100)................................. | 2905 | 158.7 | 145.3 | 23.8 | 3.0 | 8.5 | 5.1 | -8.4 |
| Crude Oil Tanker Freight... | 3434 | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | -10.4 | 9.4 | n.a. | n.a. |
| Ocean Liner Freight.... | 17817 | 129.5 | 129.3 | n.a. | 0.2 | -0.5 | 1.3 | -0.2 |
| U.S. East Coast.. | 6938 | 129.2 | 128.6 | n.a. | 0.0 | -0.6 | 3.4 | -0.5 |
| From Atlantic. | 3022 | 132.3 | 132.3 | n.a. | 0.0 | -0.7 | 7.6 | 0.0 |
| From Pacific........................................... | 2817 | 125.5 | 125.5 | n.a. | -0.1 | -0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| U.S. West Coast... | 10879 | 130.3 | 130.3 | n.a. | 0.4 | -0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| OUTBOUND |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Air Passenger Fares (Dec.2003=100)...................... | 43898 | 114.3 | 109.0 | 5.4 | -0.5 | -3.3 | -4.8 | -4.6 |
| Europe (Dec. 2003=100).................................. | 21857 | 117.8 | 108.9 | 5.2 | 0.5 | -3.1 | -9.0 | -7.6 |
| Asia (Dec. 2003=100)...................................... | 7190 | 107.9 | 103.4 | 1.6 | -0.6 | -12.7 | -0.2 | -4.2 |
| Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100)........... | 9206 | 105.7 | 105.8 | 2.7 | -2.7 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 |
| Canada (Dec. 2003=100)................................. | 2982 | 142.5 | 142.5 | 28.3 | 2.8 | 5.8 | 2.2 | 0.0 |

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.
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[^0]:    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.
    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.
    Includes Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

