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U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES - FEBRUARY 2004 -

The U.S. Import Price Index rose 0.4 percent in February, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The increase was attributable primarily to higher nonpetroleum import prices. Export prices also were up in February, increasing 0.6 percent for the second consecutive month.

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

Month	IMPORTS			EXPORTS		
	All Imports	Petroleum Imports	Non-petroleum Imports	All Exports	Agricultural Exports	Nonagricultural Exports
<u>2003</u>						
February	1.7	11.3	0.3	0.6	-0.4	0.6
March	0.6	-1.1	1.0	0.2	-0.4	0.3
April	-3.1	-18.8	-1.0	-0.1	0.4	-0.1
May	-0.7	-5.0	-0.2	0.1	2.5	-0.2
June	0.9	5.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1
July	0.5	5.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
August	0.0	1.8	-0.3	0.0	-1.0	0.1
September	-0.5	-5.8	0.3	0.4	5.4	-0.1
October	0.1	1.6	-0.1	0.2	2.4	0.1
November	0.5	2.1 r	0.2	0.5	4.0	0.1
December	0.6 r	4.3 r	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2
<u>2004</u>						
January	1.5 r	8.2 r	0.8 r	0.6 r	-0.2 r	0.6
February	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.6	1.2	0.6
February 2002-03	7.5	82.5	1.5	2.3	9.8	1.6
February 2003-04	0.8	-4.9	1.8	2.4	14.9	1.4

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

Import Goods

Overall import prices rose for the fifth consecutive month, increasing 0.4 percent in February following a 1.5 percent advance in January. Petroleum prices posted little movement last month, increasing 0.2 percent after rising 17.1 percent over the previous four months. Nonpetroleum import prices were up 0.4 percent in February after increasing 0.8 percent the previous month. Overall import prices increased 0.8 percent for the year ended in February, as prices of nonpetroleum imports rose 1.8 percent while petroleum prices declined 4.9 percent over the same period.

Prices for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials had the largest impact on the price index for nonpetroleum imports for the second consecutive month, increasing 1.4 percent in February following a 3.2 percent rise in January. Higher prices for both building materials and unfinished metals led the advance. Prices for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials were up 7.8 percent for the year ended in February.

Rising prices for foods, feeds, and beverages and for automotive vehicles also contributed to the February increase in nonpetroleum import prices. The price index for foods, feeds, and beverages rose 1.6 percent, largely attributed to higher prices for vegetables and seafood. Foods, feeds, and beverages prices were up 3.9 percent over the past year. Automotive vehicle prices increased 0.1 percent in February and 1.2 percent over the past 12 months.

Prices for capital goods and for consumer goods were unchanged in February. For the year ended in February, capital goods prices fell 0.9 percent while consumer goods prices were up 0.6 percent.

Export Goods

Export prices were up 0.6 percent in both January and February, the largest increase over two months since 1995. Higher prices for both agricultural exports and nonagricultural exports contributed to the overall increase in February. The price index for agricultural exports rose 1.2 percent in February, resuming the recent upward trend in this index after a modest 0.2 percent decline in January. Higher prices for corn, soybeans, and vegetables all contributed to the increase. Prices for nonagricultural exports were up 0.6 percent for the second consecutive month. Over the February 2003-2004 period, agricultural prices were up 14.9 percent and prices for nonagricultural exports were up 1.4 percent. Overall export prices rose 2.4 percent during the past year.

For the second consecutive month, higher prices for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials led the advance in the price index for nonagricultural exports. The price index for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials rose 1.6 percent in February after increasing 2.6 percent the previous month. Rising prices for exported metals, chemicals, and lumber all contributed to the increase. Over the past 12 months, nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials prices were up 7.1 percent.

Prices for capital goods and automotive vehicles were up in February, increasing 0.2 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively. Despite the February increase, the price index for capital goods was down 1.0 percent over the past 12 months. Automotive vehicle prices were up 0.5 percent for the year ended in February.

In contrast, consumer goods prices fell 0.1 percent in February. Over the past 12 months, the index was up 0.4 percent.

Imports by Locality of Origin

Prices for imports from Canada rose 2.4 percent in February. The advance was led primarily by a 2.7 percent jump in manufactured goods prices, the largest increase for this index since monthly publication began in October 1992. Overall import prices from Canada were up 5.5 percent during the past 12 months.

Import prices from the European Union and Latin America rose in February, increasing 0.9 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively. Prices for imports from the European Union rose 3.5 percent for the year ended in February, while prices for imports from Latin America fell 1.0 percent over the same period.

The price index for imports from Japan also was up, rising a modest 0.1 percent in February and 0.6 percent over the past 12 months. In contrast, import prices from the Asian Newly Industrialized Countries declined 0.3 percent last month and fell 1.9 percent for the year ended in February.

Import and Export Services

The indexes for both import and export air passenger fares fell in February, declining 2.7 percent and 3.5 percent, respectively. Import air passenger fares were down for the second consecutive month and decreased 3.2 percent for the year ended in February. In contrast, the decline in export air passenger fares followed a 7.9 percent increase in January. Over the past 12 months, the price index for export air passenger fares was up 15.1 percent.

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 Import and Export Price Index data for March are scheduled for release on April 7 at 8:30 A.M. (E.D.T.).

Table 1 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
February 2003-February 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

END USE	Description	Relative Importance January 2004 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			January 2004	February 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	98.9	99.3	0.8	0.5	0.6	1.5	0.4
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	87.997	98.4	98.8	1.8	0.2	0.2	0.8	0.4
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING FUELS (200112=100).....	86.020	101.4	101.9	1.7	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.5
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	4.567	103.7	105.4	3.9	0.5	0.8	0.5	1.6
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	3.404	112.1	113.6	5.4	0.6	1.1	1.1	1.3
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	1.163	85.1	87.0	-0.5	-0.3	-0.1	-0.9	2.2
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	27.938	108.6	109.6	2.0	1.2	2.5	5.2	0.9
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	15.934	105.4	106.9	7.8	0.6	1.4	3.2	1.4
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING FUELS (200112=100).....	13.957	111.5	113.8	8.2	0.7	0.8	1.3	2.1
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	8.356	101.3	104.7	11.5	0.6	1.3	1.8	3.4
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	7.578	110.1	109.4	3.7	0.5	1.5	4.8	-0.6
10	Fuels & lubricants.....	13.982	116.6	116.3	-3.8	1.9	4.4	9.5	-0.3
100	Petroleum & petroleum products.....	12.005	113.8	114.0	-4.9	2.1	4.3	8.2	0.2
10000	Crude.....	8.797	114.1	113.4	-5.2	3.1	3.6	6.7	-0.6
11	Paper & paper base stocks.....	1.047	94.0	94.0	5.4	-0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
12	Materials associated with nondurable supplies & materials.....	4.685	105.2	105.4	2.9	0.8	0.3	0.7	0.2
13	Selected building materials.....	2.117	106.9	114.5	18.2	-1.3	-0.1	-1.0	7.1
14	Unfinished metals related to durable goods.....	3.077	104.6	108.6	16.4	2.1	2.8	5.5	3.8
15	Finished metals related to durable goods.....	1.400	101.5	101.7	5.4	0.7	1.3	0.5	0.2
16	Nonmetals related to durable goods.....	1.631	98.5	99.0	1.6	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.5
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	23.783	93.0	93.0	-0.9	0.3	-0.4	0.1	0.0
20	Electric generating equipment.....	2.889	97.4	98.1	2.7	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.7
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	18.606	91.2	91.0	-1.7	0.2	-0.5	0.1	-0.2
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (200112=100).....	2.288	103.2	103.4	1.9	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.2
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	17.543	101.6	101.7	1.2	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	26.170	98.5	98.5	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	12.791	100.9	101.0	1.5	0.2	0.0	0.9	0.1
41	Durables, manufactured.....	12.097	96.2	96.1	-0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods.....	1.282	95.9	96.3	0.8	0.0	0.4	-0.3	0.4

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2002 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
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Table 2 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
February 2003-February 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

END USE	Description	Relative Importance January 2004 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			January 2004	February 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	101.3	101.9	2.4	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.6
	AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	9.497	122.5	124.0	14.9	4.0	0.5	-0.2	1.2
	NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	90.504	99.6	100.2	1.4	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.6
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	8.564	121.9	124.5	15.0	3.6	0.9	-0.5	2.1
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	7.819	123.3	125.8	15.6	3.7	0.9	-0.5	2.0
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	0.745	108.9	111.2	6.3	1.8	1.2	0.1	2.1
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	25.834	105.0	106.4	7.3	0.7	0.8	2.4	1.3
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	9.672	105.4	107.6	8.9	1.0	0.9	2.1	2.1
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE.....	16.164	105.0	105.9	6.1	0.4	0.7	2.7	0.9
10	Agricultural industrial supplies & materials.....	1.678	118.6	115.4	11.2	5.0	-1.4	1.1	-2.7
	NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	24.157	104.3	106.0	7.1	0.4	0.9	2.6	1.6
11	Fuels & lubricants.....	2.635	105.0	105.1	1.3	-1.1	2.7	6.1	0.1
12	Nonagricultural supplies & materials excluding fuels & building materials.....	20.357	104.8	106.7	8.0	0.6	0.7	2.3	1.8
13	Selected building materials.....	1.165	98.5	100.5	4.1	0.3	0.3	-0.9	2.0
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	41.742	97.2	97.4	-1.0	0.0	0.1	-0.2	0.2
20	Electrical generating equipment.....	4.073	102.1	102.2	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.1
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	29.977	93.5	93.7	-2.1	0.0	0.0	-0.4	0.2
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (200112=100).....	7.692	106.4	106.5	3.1	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.1
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	11.668	102.0	102.1	0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.1
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	12.145	99.9	99.8	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	5.937	99.4	99.2	0.3	0.4	-0.2	0.2	-0.2
41	Durables, manufactured.....	5.444	100.1	100.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.1
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods (200112=100).....	0.764	101.7	102.0	1.1	-0.4	0.8	0.0	0.3

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					Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	98.9	99.3	0.8	0.5	0.6	1.5	0.4
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	3.562	102.0	104.7	4.7	-0.3	1.0	1.0	2.6
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	0.410	117.1	117.8	9.7	1.7	2.7	-2.7	0.6
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.829	78.3	80.0	-2.4	-0.6	-0.1	-1.1	2.2
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	0.940	112.0	115.6	10.4	2.3	0.6	2.3	3.2
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof.....	0.416	100.1	101.4	-5.0	-2.5	3.1	4.3	1.3
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.967	113.1	117.3	7.9	-2.4	0.6	1.9	3.7
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.949	104.8	105.1	1.7	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.3
11	Beverages.....	0.835	104.9	105.3	2.5	0.1	0.0	0.6	0.4
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	1.957	110.0	114.7	17.8	0.3	3.3	1.9	4.3
24	Cork and wood.....	0.741	109.1	116.1	19.9	-2.8	4.7	0.9	6.4
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.243	93.3	91.9	14.4	1.2	1.0	0.5	-1.5
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	0.353	126.9	139.5	40.8	4.2	6.1	10.1	9.9
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.....	0.229	98.9	99.9	-2.3	-0.3	5.1	-0.7	1.0
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	13.724	117.5	117.2	-3.3	2.0	4.2	9.2	-0.3
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials....	11.820	114.3	114.4	-4.5	2.2	3.8	7.6	0.1
34	Gas, natural and manufactured.....	1.904	137.8	134.5	4.0	0.4	6.8	21.0	-2.4
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	7.824	102.9	103.5	3.7	0.6	0.4	1.7	0.6
51	Organic chemicals.....	2.602	97.7	98.5	-0.4	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.8
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.631	121.1	122.6	15.1	2.8	2.6	5.5	1.2
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials.....	0.210	99.9	99.9	2.5	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.0
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	2.332	107.2	107.6	6.0	1.1	0.0	3.7	0.4
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	0.337	92.7	93.2	-4.8	0.4	0.0	1.2	0.5
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	0.611	104.8	105.7	8.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.7	0.9
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.381	102.1	102.5	2.4	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.4
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	0.536	94.0	94.7	1.7	0.9	0.2	0.8	0.7
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	11.633	98.8	100.9	7.1	0.9	0.4	1.0	2.1
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.668	99.0	99.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
63	Cork and wood manufactures other than furniture.....	0.779	104.6	121.0	29.6	-0.4	-5.4	-6.9	15.7
64	Paper and paperboard, cut to size.....	1.263	94.3	94.6	2.2	-0.5	-0.5	0.6	0.3
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related prod.....	1.466	103.0	103.4	3.4	0.9	-0.1	1.3	0.4
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	2.206	98.3	98.7	1.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.4
67	Iron and steel.....	1.429	109.2	110.8	9.5	2.0	2.2	4.1	1.5
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.708	92.3	96.5	21.8	3.8	3.1	5.2	4.6
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	2.007	99.5	99.9	1.9	0.4	0.5	-0.1	0.4

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7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	42.524	95.4	95.5	-0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.1
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	2.979	101.1	101.7	2.8	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.6
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	1.640	104.7	106.3	6.0	0.9	0.1	1.3	1.5
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.457	106.2	107.3	4.1	1.3	-0.1	1.2	1.0
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & machine parts, n.e.s.....	3.153	101.8	102.5	3.1	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.7
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	5.946	78.0	77.9	-6.5	-0.1	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	5.256	86.3	85.4	-5.5	-0.2	-0.9	-0.5	-1.0
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	6.905	95.2	95.4	-0.3	0.1	-0.7	-0.1	0.2
78	Road vehicles.....	14.630	101.9	101.9	1.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.0
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	17.371	100.0	100.0	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
81	Prefabricated buildings; plumbing, heat & lighting fixtures, n.e.s.....	0.458	93.2	93.2	-2.7	-0.3	-1.4	0.0	0.0
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	1.887	100.4	100.5	0.9	0.2	-0.2	0.1	0.1
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers.....	0.395	103.6	103.5	4.3	-0.1	1.0	-0.2	-0.1
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	5.540	100.6	100.6	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
85	Footwear.....	1.345	100.7	100.6	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.5	-0.1
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	1.826	99.7	99.8	1.4	0.2	0.4	-0.3	0.1
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	1.002	100.1	100.4	1.2	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.3
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.919	98.9	99.0	1.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2002 trade values.

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

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Table 4 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
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	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	101.3	101.9	2.4	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.6
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	6.695	115.5	118.6	11.8	2.5	1.0	-0.8	2.7
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	1.227	115.4	118.9	24.6	1.7	-3.1	-5.2	3.0
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.499	103.4	105.2	0.6	1.5	2.4	-0.1	1.7
04	Cereals and cereal preparations.....	1.998	131.9	135.4	9.9	5.2	4.4	0.6	2.7
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	1.258	102.5	107.9	10.8	-0.4	0.4	-0.7	5.3
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals).....	0.745	125.7	128.6	22.6	6.1	1.4	2.0	2.3
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations.....	0.468	100.5	100.5	-0.5	0.0	-0.8	0.2	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.500	103.8	104.0	3.1	0.1	0.3	-1.2	0.2
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.712	100.9	101.7	4.3	1.7	0.2	0.3	0.8
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures.....	0.460	99.8	100.6	4.8	2.3	0.1	0.1	0.8
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	5.329	120.0	121.6	20.4	4.6	0.5	2.7	1.3
22	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits.....	1.372	157.2	160.9	38.0	10.4	1.1	3.1	2.4
24	Cork and wood.....	0.538	94.3	95.6	4.9	0.5	1.2	0.7	1.4
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.632	91.4	91.9	6.4	1.2	-0.4	-0.1	0.5
26	Textile fibers and their waste.....	0.667	123.7	122.2	20.3	5.8	-5.7	2.1	-1.2
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	1.100	149.6	156.8	49.9	7.0	5.4	9.5	4.8
<u>2/</u>	Other crude materials, inedible, except fuels.....	1.020	109.2	107.6	0.4	0.3	-0.2	-1.4	-1.5
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	2.136	119.2	118.7	-4.4	-1.8	4.1	7.7	-0.4
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials..	1.537	116.2	114.1	-7.2	-2.8	4.9	9.4	-1.8
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	13.357	102.8	103.6	4.4	0.2	0.4	1.5	0.8
51	Organic chemicals.....	2.921	106.5	109.2	9.9	0.8	1.6	3.1	2.5
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.829	99.1	99.1	1.3	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.0
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials.....	0.595	97.9	97.3	-0.9	0.0	-0.8	-0.2	-0.6
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	2.505	105.4	104.9	0.8	0.6	-0.7	-0.4	-0.5
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	0.944	101.1	101.5	5.7	0.5	0.7	1.0	0.4
56	Fertilizers.....	0.428	127.1	134.3	27.3	-2.0	2.3	3.2	5.7
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	2.226	98.3	100.7	3.7	0.3	0.7	1.9	2.4
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.893	96.8	97.3	-0.2	-1.2	0.1	-0.4	0.5
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	2.017	105.4	103.4	2.8	0.1	0.0	2.8	-1.9
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	9.977	101.6	103.0	3.6	0.4	0.1	0.8	1.4
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.783	110.3	110.9	1.9	0.4	-0.2	0.5	0.5
64	Uncoated Paper/paperboard, and linerboard.....	1.503	97.4	97.3	0.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, and made-up articles, n.e.s.....	1.650	104.0	103.9	2.2	0.4	0.0	1.5	-0.1
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	1.505	99.8	99.8	-0.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0
67	Iron and steel.....	0.963	115.1	119.0	14.1	1.0	0.9	5.0	3.4
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.010	85.9	90.9	9.3	1.8	1.3	1.7	5.8
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	2.132	105.0	105.3	1.5	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.3

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Table 4 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
February 2003-February 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

SITC Rev. 3	Description	Relative Import- ance January 2004 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			January 2004	February 2004	Annual Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Monthly			
						Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
<u>2/</u>	Other manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (200112=100).....	0.431	110.3	118.3	13.3	-0.5	-1.2	-4.8	7.3
7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	49.304	97.6	97.8	-0.8	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.2
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	5.021	109.3	109.4	2.4	0.6	0.2	0.6	0.1
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	3.738	103.9	104.0	1.8	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.1
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.648	100.8	101.0	-0.6	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.2
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & parts, n.e.s.....	4.758	103.3	103.3	1.0	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.0
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	5.623	87.0	87.5	-1.8	0.1	0.2	-1.4	0.6
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	3.504	92.4	92.0	-3.6	-0.6	-0.2	0.4	-0.4
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	11.396	87.5	87.6	-4.9	-0.5	-0.2	-0.6	0.1
78	Road vehicles.....	8.943	101.8	101.9	0.8	0.1	-0.1	0.3	0.1
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	11.411	100.8	101.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.3	0.2
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	0.649	102.2	102.4	1.3	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.2
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	0.881	96.8	96.8	-0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	4.343	102.2	102.4	0.5	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.2
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	0.973	94.8	95.6	-0.7	0.8	0.0	-0.7	0.8
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.174	101.3	101.4	0.4	0.0	0.1	-0.2	0.1
<u>2/</u>	Other miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.391	106.1	106.1	3.1	0.7	0.2	-0.8	0.0

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2002 trade values.

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

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

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Table 5 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
February 2003-February 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance January 2004 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			January 2004	February 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.411	94.8	98.9	4.9	-2.1	1.2	-1.1	4.3
02	Meat and edible meat offal.....	0.367	118.5	119.3	10.6	1.8	2.5	-2.3	0.7
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.656	77.9	79.9	-3.6	-0.9	-0.4	-1.1	2.6
2/	Other live animals; animal products.....	0.388	118.1	130.8	14.2	-7.4	2.1	-0.1	10.8
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	1.209	105.0	108.7	5.1	0.5	1.0	3.0	3.5
07	Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers.....	0.315	132.5	144.3	26.1	7.5	-0.4	10.2	8.9
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.353	95.0	95.7	-3.4	-1.6	0.8	-3.1	0.7
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices.....	0.224	88.2	90.6	4.5	-3.8	1.2	7.8	2.7
2/	Other vegetable products.....	0.317	107.5	109.5	-1.6	0.4	1.9	0.6	1.9
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.171	107.0	106.9	-0.9	-0.1	0.7	0.6	-0.1
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.247	100.8	100.5	1.4	-0.1	0.3	-0.6	-0.3
22	Beverages, spirits, and vinegar.....	0.845	102.9	103.2	1.3	0.1	-0.4	0.5	0.3
2/	Other prepared foodstuffs.....	1.079	112.1	111.8	-3.1	-0.2	1.5	0.9	-0.3
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	14.001	116.3	116.0	-3.1	1.9	4.2	8.9	-0.3
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	13.686	115.4	115.1	-3.1	1.9	4.2	9.1	-0.3
2/	Other mineral products (200112=100).....	0.315	105.3	105.7	5.7	0.2	0.4	3.0	0.4
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	7.146	102.7	103.2	4.3	0.7	0.3	2.2	0.5
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.713	120.8	121.2	17.8	2.9	2.8	6.7	0.3
29	Organic chemicals.....	2.882	98.0	98.7	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.7
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.010	107.1	107.5	6.9	1.0	0.1	3.9	0.4
32	Tanning & dyeing extracts; dye & pigments; varnish & paints; putty.....	0.209	98.1	98.1	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.0
33	Essential oils and resinoids (200112=100).....	0.294	104.5	105.1	4.3	0.6	0.0	1.7	0.6
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods.....	0.178	96.6	96.6	-1.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.0
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	0.408	92.9	93.0	-2.5	0.1	-0.4	-0.2	0.1
2/	Other products of the chemical or allied industries.....	0.452	108.3	108.1	7.9	0.9	0.1	1.2	-0.2
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	2.790	104.9	105.3	4.2	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.4
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	1.857	104.3	105.1	5.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.8
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	0.933	106.1	105.6	2.4	0.8	-0.7	-0.2	-0.5
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.741	101.3	101.4	2.9	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.1
42	Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials.....	0.628	101.9	101.9	2.7	-0.1	0.6	-0.1	0.0
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	1.591	111.3	121.5	26.2	-1.7	-1.0	-1.9	9.2
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	1.845	95.6	95.6	3.6	-0.2	-0.2	0.5	0.0
47	Pulp wood or other fibrous cellulosic material; waste paper/paperboard.....	0.241	92.9	91.5	14.5	1.2	0.9	0.5	-1.5
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.277	93.4	93.6	1.8	-0.5	-0.4	0.4	0.2
49	Printed matter.....	0.326	112.5	113.1	2.1	-0.3	-0.3	0.7	0.5
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	6.549	100.2	100.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted.....	2.435	100.0	99.9	-0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1

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Table 5 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
February 2003-February 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			January 2004	February 2004	Annual Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Monthly			
						Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted.....	2.650	99.9	99.9	-0.3	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0
63	Made-up or worn textile articles.....	0.480	95.4	95.4	0.6	0.1	-0.3	1.7	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other textile & textile articles.....	0.984	103.6	104.3	3.1	0.8	0.3	0.7	0.7
XII	HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC.....	1.576	100.1	100.1	1.0	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.0
64	Footwear and parts of such articles.....	1.339	100.5	100.4	0.8	0.1	0.0	0.5	-0.1
<u>2/</u>	Other footwear, headgear, umbrellas, whips, art. flowers, etc.....	0.237	97.9	98.0	1.4	1.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	1.048	103.1	103.7	1.8	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.6
68	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (200112=100).....	0.318	98.2	98.4	-0.8	0.1	-0.3	-0.7	0.2
69	Ceramic products.....	0.360	106.8	107.5	5.4	0.7	1.0	1.0	0.7
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.370	103.3	104.1	0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.8
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.428	92.3	93.4	5.2	0.2	0.9	1.5	1.2
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL.....	5.044	104.7	106.7	11.3	2.0	2.2	2.6	1.9
72	Iron and steel.....	1.204	114.2	118.2	14.0	1.7	3.3	4.9	3.5
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.300	101.1	101.4	6.6	1.6	1.4	0.0	0.3
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.435	110.6	113.0	21.9	4.0	2.2	5.5	2.2
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.822	102.2	103.9	6.8	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.7
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.407	100.4	100.6	1.1	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.2
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.456	103.9	104.4	2.5	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.5
<u>2/</u>	Miscellaneous nonferrous metals and articles, including scrap.....	0.420	96.9	102.6	44.7	7.5	7.3	8.6	5.9
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE & SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC.....	26.098	91.7	91.7	-1.5	0.1	-0.3	0.1	0.0
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	13.479	91.7	92.0	-1.1	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.3
85	Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders & reproducers, parts.....	12.619	91.6	91.4	-1.9	0.1	-0.8	-0.2	-0.2
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	16.327	102.2	102.3	1.4	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	14.851	101.8	101.9	1.3	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.1
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof (200212=100).....	1.351	102.0	102.0	1.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	3.435	99.8	100.0	1.3	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2
90	Optical, photographic, measuring and medical instruments.....	3.034	99.1	99.2	1.2	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.1
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof.....	0.288	107.5	108.1	2.3	0.9	-0.2	1.1	0.6
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	4.379	97.2	97.2	-0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.0
94	Furniture & stuffed furnishings; lamps & lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg.....	2.314	98.4	98.5	0.6	0.2	-0.3	0.2	0.1
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	1.823	96.0	95.7	-1.4	0.1	0.2	-0.6	-0.3
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.242	96.9	97.2	-0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.3

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2002 trade values.

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Table 6 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
February 2003-February 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			January 2004	February 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.851	111.0	112.3	14.5	1.8	-2.2	-5.0	1.2
02	Meat & edible meat offal.....	1.116	117.4	120.7	24.2	1.7	-3.5	-5.9	2.8
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.440	103.2	105.6	2.4	2.5	1.9	-0.4	2.3
2/	Other live animals and animal products.....	0.295	103.4	97.0	-1.8	1.5	-2.0	-8.0	-6.2
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	4.431	130.3	135.0	17.5	4.7	2.6	0.9	3.6
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.610	94.3	98.5	7.4	-0.1	0.2	-1.9	4.5
10	Cereals.....	1.719	133.0	136.9	9.8	5.6	4.8	0.0	2.9
12	Oilseeds and misc. grains, seeds, fruits, plants, straw and fodder.....	1.544	151.2	154.4	32.8	9.5	0.9	2.8	2.1
III	ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS.....	0.417	186.9	173.2	19.9	10.9	2.0	2.7	-7.3
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.746	108.3	109.2	8.3	2.3	0.4	0.9	0.8
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.331	106.8	106.4	1.3	0.0	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations.....	0.421	100.2	100.2	-0.9	0.0	-0.8	0.2	0.0
23	Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal feed.....	0.684	132.0	135.5	28.4	7.4	1.8	2.4	2.7
2/	Other prepared foods.....	0.851	105.7	106.1	4.3	0.5	0.4	1.0	0.4
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	2.645	117.8	118.0	3.9	-0.5	2.7	7.6	0.2
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	2.102	115.6	115.3	-1.8	-1.8	3.4	7.8	-0.3
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	10.789	104.9	105.6	5.7	0.3	0.4	1.7	0.7
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.915	102.3	102.2	2.9	-0.1	-0.4	0.3	-0.1
29	Organic chemicals.....	3.334	107.3	110.1	9.1	0.2	1.3	3.2	2.6
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.047	105.0	104.5	1.9	0.5	-0.4	0.0	-0.5
31	Fertilizers.....	0.412	123.2	130.2	27.6	-0.9	2.7	3.3	5.7
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts, dyes, paints, varnish, putty, & inks.....	0.606	98.1	97.4	-1.0	0.1	-0.7	-0.3	-0.7
33	Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet.....	0.680	102.3	102.7	7.2	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.4
34	Soap; lubricants; waxes, polishing or scouring products; candles, pastes.....	0.380	102.7	103.1	3.9	0.1	0.7	1.1	0.4
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods.....	0.445	100.3	100.8	4.2	1.7	-0.3	0.8	0.5
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	1.691	104.9	103.3	3.6	0.2	0.0	2.8	-1.5
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	5.283	102.8	104.1	3.2	0.1	0.2	0.8	1.3
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	4.254	100.8	102.2	3.3	0.0	0.3	1.0	1.4
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	1.029	110.2	110.8	2.1	0.4	-0.4	0.0	0.5
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.524	110.9	111.5	5.2	-0.3	0.5	1.9	0.5
41	Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather.....	0.484	110.1	110.8	2.3	-1.4	0.5	2.0	0.6
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	0.819	98.1	101.0	8.1	0.4	0.6	-1.1	3.0
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	2.856	95.6	95.8	2.8	0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.2
47	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.630	87.6	88.3	6.9	1.3	-0.5	-0.1	0.8
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.562	94.8	94.8	0.3	0.4	-0.1	-0.3	0.0
49	Printed material.....	0.664	109.6	109.9	5.3	0.6	1.2	0.4	0.3
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	3.040	101.0	100.5	4.3	0.9	-1.1	1.1	-0.5
52	Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof.....	0.861	105.6	104.8	21.6	5.1	-4.7	3.8	-0.8

See footnotes at end of table

Table 6 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
February 2003-February 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			January 2004	February 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
61	Apparel & clothing knitted or crocheted (200112=100).....	0.505	94.9	94.9	-0.8	0.0	0.0	-0.8	0.0
62	Apparel Articles & Accessories, not knitted.....	0.384	95.6	95.7	-0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
	Other textile and textile articles (200112=100).....	1.290	105.6	105.1	-1.0	-0.3	-0.2	0.3	-0.5
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.815	98.5	98.5	-1.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.496	96.5	96.6	-0.2	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.1
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.257	99.7	100.8	6.8	0.0	1.7	2.2	1.1
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS.....	4.513	107.9	111.8	12.9	1.9	1.4	3.0	3.6
72	Iron and steel.....	0.971	126.5	134.0	34.0	2.1	5.4	8.0	5.9
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.225	105.6	106.3	2.5	0.1	0.0	1.1	0.7
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.382	112.1	119.6	29.6	5.2	1.6	7.5	6.7
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.774	100.2	103.5	9.1	2.5	1.2	1.9	3.3
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.409	101.2	101.2	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.464	108.3	108.5	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.2
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC..	34.251	94.4	94.6	-1.9	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.2
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	18.932	99.4	99.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.2
85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts and accessories thereof.....	15.319	89.0	88.9	-4.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	14.859	105.8	105.9	1.6	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.1
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	9.273	101.8	101.9	0.8	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	6.231	101.3	101.6	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.3
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	1.519	99.6	99.7	-0.8	0.0	0.0	-1.2	0.1
94	Furniture; stuffed furnishings; lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;.....	0.853	102.6	102.7	1.2	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.1
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	0.516	96.9	97.0	-1.9	0.1	0.0	-1.4	0.1

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2002 trade values.

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

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
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Table 7 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes by Locality of Origin,
February 2003-February 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Percentage of U.S. Imports <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		January 2004	February 2004	Annual		Monthly		
				Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
<u>2/</u> Industrialized Countries.....	49.276	101.4	102.7	3.6	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.3
Manufactured Goods.....	45.418	100.1	101.5	3.9	0.5	0.2	0.7	1.4
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.591	122.7	122.7	-0.2	0.9	4.1	9.2	0.0
<u>3/</u> Other Countries.....	50.724	95.1	95.1	-2.9	0.4	0.5	1.2	0.0
Manufactured Goods.....	43.453	94.8	94.7	-2.6	-0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.1
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	7.173	112.2	112.7	-3.8	2.9	3.0	5.6	0.4
Canada.....	17.463	106.4	109.0	5.5	0.3	0.4	1.9	2.4
Manufactured Goods.....	14.664	103.0	105.8	5.8	0.3	-0.5	-0.3	2.7
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	2.611	127.7	129.0	2.4	0.3	4.7	12.0	1.0
<u>4/</u> European Union.....	18.739	105.8	106.7	3.5	0.6	0.4	1.4	0.9
Manufactured Goods.....	18.224	106.1	107.0	3.7	0.6	0.3	1.5	0.8
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	0.458	120.1	119.9	-0.8	4.0	2.0	1.1	-0.2
<u>5/</u> Latin America.....	17.761	104.6	104.9	-1.0	0.0	2.1	1.9	0.3
Manufactured Goods.....	14.150	106.6	106.6	-1.1	-0.3	1.7	0.7	0.0
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.575	116.2	117.4	-1.5	1.1	3.5	5.9	1.0
Japan.....	10.651	95.0	95.1	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.1
<u>6/</u> Asian Newly Industrialized Countries.....	8.019	90.0	89.7	-1.9	-0.1	-0.1	-0.9	-0.3

1 Percentage of trade figures are based on 2002 trade values.

2 Defined according to the BEA definition for Industrialized Countries which includes Western Europe, Canada, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

3 Defined according to the BEA definition for Other Countries, which 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 Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan.

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

Regions are not mutually exclusive.

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Table 8 U.S. Import and Export Quarterly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
December 2002-December 2003 2000 = 100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		September 2003	December 2003	Annual	Quarterly			
				Dec. 2002 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2002 to March 2003	March 2003 to June 2003	June 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Dec. 2003
IMPORT								
Air Freight.....	4168	116.8	114.9	7.5	3.1	1.2	4.8	-1.6
Atlantic.....	1519	115.3	117.2	10.5	5.9	4.7	-2.0	1.6
Pacific.....	2412	115.2	110.4	6.4	1.6	-1.4	10.8	-4.2
EXPORT								
Air Freight.....	2836	95.1	95.4	0.2	1.2	-1.1	-0.1	0.3

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised one quarter after original publication.
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Table 9 U.S. Import and Export Monthly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
February 2003-February 2004 2000 = 100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		January 2004	February 2004	Annual	Monthly			
				Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
IMPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	18253	106.8	103.9	-3.2	-7.4	0.9	-0.2	-2.7
Europe.....	11250	96.0	96.1	-3.5	-11.5	-1.5	0.1	0.1
Asia.....	2626	110.1	102.8	-5.2	-0.5	8.7	-7.3	-6.6
Latin America / Caribbean.....	1916	115.6	107.7	0.0	0.4	1.7	6.7	-6.8
EXPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	20319	127.8	123.3	15.1	-1.4	0.0	7.9	-3.5
Europe.....	5394	147.7	148.8	20.8	-4.8	0.5	5.6	0.7
Asia.....	8936	114.9	107.5	12.2	-0.1	-1.1	11.0	-6.4
Latin America / Caribbean.....	3413	140.3	132.2	10.8	1.8	0.6	10.4	-5.8

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
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Table 10 U.S. Inbound and Outbound Quarterly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
December 2002-December 2003 2000 = 100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) 1/	Index		Percent Change				
		September 2003	December 2003	Annual	Quarterly			
				Dec. 2002 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2002 to March 2003	March 2003 to June 2003	June 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Dec. 2003
INBOUND								
Air Freight	7483	112.5	112.9	6.6	2.7	0.6	2.8	0.4
Atlantic.....	2607	118.9	121.5	10.2	5.3	4.6	-2.1	2.2
Pacific.....	4314	108.2	107.1	4.8	1.4	-2.5	7.1	-1.0
Ocean Liner Freight	17817	116.2	117.7	26.2	0.8	23.5	0.1	1.3
U.S. East Coast.....	6938	107.0	110.3	12.0	1.5	8.4	-1.3	3.1
from Atlantic.....	3022	105.4	113.1	4.5	-3.7	1.2	0.0	7.3
from Pacific.....	2817	110.3	109.6	26.7	5.3	21.1	0.0	-0.6
U.S. West Coast.....	10879	122.7	123.0	36.1	0.2	34.1	1.0	0.2
OUTBOUND								
Air Freight	5193	95.5	94.7	-0.7	1.9	-1.9	0.1	-0.8
Atlantic.....	2094	96.6	95.6	-2.0	0.8	-1.3	-0.5	-1.0
Pacific.....	2639	95.7	95.0	-0.1	2.6	-2.4	0.4	-0.7

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
February 2003-February 2004 2000 = 100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) 1/	Index		Percent Change				
		January 2004	February 2004	Annual	Monthly			
				Feb. 2003 to Feb. 2004	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003	Nov. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to Jan. 2004	Jan. 2004 to Feb. 2004
INBOUND								
Air Passenger Fares (200312=100).....	38589	107.7	104.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.7	-3.1
Europe (200312=100).....	15654	105.8	106.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.8	0.5
Asia (200312=100).....	12401	110.8	103.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	10.8	-6.5
Latin America / Caribbean (200312=100).....	5604	110.0	103.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	10.0	-5.6
Canada (200312=100).....	2905	100.3	99.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.3	-1.0
Crude Oil Tanker Freight.....	3434	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	8.1	8.5	n.a.	n.a.
OUTBOUND								
Air Passenger Fares (200312=100).....	43898	101.0	99.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1.0	-1.2
Europe (200312=100).....	21857	100.2	101.3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.2	1.1
Asia (200312=100).....	7190	99.1	94.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-0.9	-4.7
Latin America / Caribbean (200312=100).....	9206	102.3	99.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	2.3	-2.3
Canada (200312=100).....	2982	104.2	99.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	4.2	-4.9

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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