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U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES - APRIL 2005 -

The U.S. Import Price Index increased 0.8 percent in April, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The advance, the fourth in a row, followed a 2.0 percent increase in March, and was again led by rising petroleum prices. Export prices rose 0.6 percent in April after increasing the same amount in March.

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>2004</u>						
April	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.7	2.5	0.5
May	1.5	9.4	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.3
June	-0.2	-1.1	0.1	-0.7	-4.7	-0.2
July	0.4	2.3	0.0	0.5	-1.0	0.7
August	1.5	8.8	0.3	-0.5	-8.4	0.3
September	0.5	3.3	0.1	0.4	1.8	0.3
October	1.6	11.1	-0.1	0.6	-1.1	0.8
November	-0.3	-6.0	0.9	0.3	0.3	0.3
December	-1.4	-11.4	0.4	0.1	-1.1	0.2
<u>2005</u>						
January	0.6	2.2 r	0.3	0.8 r	0.6	0.8 r
February	0.9 r	5.0 r	0.1	0.1 r	-0.6 r	0.1
March	2.0 r	12.3 r	0.3	0.6 r	3.8 r	0.4
April	0.8	3.1	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.5
April 2003-04	4.6	24.5	2.4	4.1	23.3	2.4
April 2004-05	8.1	43.1	3.0	3.1	-9.6	4.4

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

Import Goods

Prices for overall imports increased 0.8 percent in April after rising 3.5 percent over the first three months of 2005. Petroleum prices rose 3.1 percent in April after a 12.3 percent jump in March and increases of 5.0 percent and 2.2 percent, respectively, in February and January. The price index for import petroleum advanced 43.1 percent over the past year. Prices for nonpetroleum imports also increased in April, rising 0.4 percent, following a 0.3 percent advance in March. Nonpetroleum import prices have declined only once in the past 12 months and increased 3.0 percent over that period. Overall import prices rose 8.1 percent for the year ended in April.

The price index for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials rose 2.1 percent in April. Higher natural gas prices led the increase, although rising prices for metals, chemicals, and paper also helped to more than offset lower prices for import building materials. Nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials prices rose 11.5 percent over the April 2004-2005 period. Automotive vehicle prices also advanced in April, increasing 0.2 percent for the month. Although the index has not recorded a decline since September 2003, the April rise was the first increase in four months. Prices for automotive vehicles rose 1.4 percent over the past 12 months.

In contrast, the price indexes for capital goods and for consumer goods declined 0.1 percent in April. The drop in capital goods prices was the third in a row and, like the previous two months, was led by decreasing computer prices. Capital goods prices decreased 0.5 percent over the past year. The decline in consumer goods followed a 0.3 percent decrease in March, but despite the recent declines, the index increased 1.1 percent for the year ended in April.

Export Goods

Prices of exports rose 0.6 percent for the second consecutive month in April, as both agricultural and nonagricultural prices increased. The price index for agricultural exports advanced a modest 0.3 percent following a 3.8 percent jump in March. Despite the recent increases, agricultural prices were down 9.6 percent over the past year. Prices for nonagricultural exports rose 0.5 percent in April. The increase followed a similar advance of 0.4 percent in March, and continued an upward trend over the past year and a half. In contrast to agricultural prices, nonagricultural prices increased 4.4 percent for the year ended in April. Overall export prices advanced 3.1 percent over the same period.

A 2.0 percent rise in nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials prices led the April advance in nonagricultural prices. The increase was attributable to higher prices for fuels, metals, and chemicals. Nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials prices rose 14.9 percent over the past 12 months. Increasing prices for consumer goods and for automotive vehicles also contributed to the rise in overall nonagricultural prices. The price index for consumer goods increased 0.3 percent in April and 1.5 percent over the past 12 months. Automotive vehicle prices rose 0.2 percent last month, and advanced 1.2 percent for the year ended in April.

A 0.3 percent decrease in the price index for capital goods, which accounts for almost 40 percent of exports, partially offset the increase in overall export prices. The decrease in capital goods prices followed a modest 0.1 percent drop in March and was the largest monthly decline since June 2004. Prices for capital goods recorded no change over the past year.

Imports by Locality of Origin

Import prices from Canada increased 1.2 percent in April as a 5.7 percent rise in nonmanufactured goods more than offset a modest 0.2 percent decline in manufactured goods. The April increase was largely attributed to higher fuel prices and followed a 2.6 percent advance in March. Prices of imports from Canada rose 10.3 percent over the past 12 months.

Higher fuel prices also contributed to increases in the price indexes for imports from the European Union and from Mexico. Import prices from the European Union rose 0.2 percent in April and 5.5 percent over the past year. Prices of imports from Mexico advanced 0.3 percent last month and 7.2 percent for the year ended in April.

The price indexes of imports from China and from Japan rose 0.2 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively, in April. Despite last month's increase, import prices from China declined 0.4 percent over the past 12 months. Prices of imports from Japan increased 1.1 percent for the April 2004-2005 period.

Import and Export Services

Import air passenger fares rose 6.3 percent in April, the first increase since December and the largest monthly advance since June 2004. Air passenger fares from each of the major import regions increased in April, although the 8.4 percent rise in European fares had the largest impact on overall prices. The price index for import air passenger fares increased 5.1 percent for the year ended in April.

In contrast, export air passenger fares decreased 1.8 percent in April following a 1.3 percent increase in March. Lower European and Asian fares both contributed to the overall decline. Despite the April drop, export air passenger fares increased 8.2 percent over the past year.

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 Import and Export Price Index data for May are scheduled for release on June 10 at 8:30 A.M. (E.D.T.).

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

END USE	Description	Relative Importance March 2005 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2005	April 2005	Annual April 2004 to April 2005	Monthly			
						Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	107.6	108.5	8.1	0.6	0.9	2.0	0.8
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	83.710	102.0	102.4	3.0	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.4
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100).....	81.659	105.0	105.1	2.3	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	4.766	115.8	116.3	8.5	-0.4	1.0	3.2	0.4
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	3.546	125.7	126.3	10.6	-0.9	1.1	4.0	0.5
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	1.220	93.9	93.8	2.3	1.1	0.9	1.2	-0.1
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	32.400	139.1	142.7	25.3	1.2	2.2	6.4	2.6
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	16.110	120.1	122.6	11.5	0.1	-0.2	1.2	2.1
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100).....	14.059	128.3	129.2	8.8	1.1	0.5	1.2	0.7
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	8.673	121.3	122.0	9.1	1.0	0.3	1.4	0.6
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	7.437	118.7	123.2	14.2	-0.8	-0.8	0.8	3.8
10	Fuels & lubricants.....	18.342	163.9	170.5	41.4	1.1	3.7	10.9	4.0
100	Petroleum & petroleum products.....	16.291	166.4	171.6	43.1	2.2	5.0	12.3	3.1
10000	Crude.....	12.208	169.1	170.8	40.6	3.7	5.5	13.6	1.0
11	Paper & paper base stocks.....	0.989	103.8	104.9	8.4	1.1	0.6	0.8	1.1
12	Materials associated with nondurable supplies & materials.....	4.508	112.9	114.0	8.5	1.4	0.6	0.8	1.0
13	Selected building materials.....	2.204	123.1	120.8	0.5	2.0	1.8	2.6	-1.9
14	Unfinished metals related to durable goods.....	3.295	141.5	144.7	18.9	0.8	-0.4	1.7	2.3
15	Finished metals related to durable goods.....	1.472	116.2	117.5	9.4	-0.1	0.5	0.9	1.1
16	Nonmetals related to durable goods.....	1.591	100.5	100.7	1.4	1.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.2
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	21.690	92.2	92.1	-0.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1
20	Electric generating equipment.....	2.567	98.7	98.9	1.7	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.2
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	17.226	89.7	89.5	-1.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100).....	1.897	105.6	105.8	1.8	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.2
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	15.964	103.2	103.4	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	25.180	99.8	99.7	1.1	0.6	0.5	-0.3	-0.1
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	12.493	102.8	102.8	1.7	0.8	0.6	0.0	0.0
41	Durables, manufactured.....	11.449	96.7	96.6	0.3	0.3	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods.....	1.237	99.4	98.2	1.9	1.9	4.9	-5.3	-1.2

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2003 trade values.

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

END USE	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2005	April 2005	Annual	Monthly			
					April 2004 to April 2005	Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	106.3	106.9	3.1	0.8	0.1	0.6	0.6
	AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	8.814	119.8	120.2	-9.6	0.6	-0.6	3.8	0.3
	NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	91.186	105.4	105.9	4.4	0.8	0.1	0.4	0.5
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	8.034	120.9	120.9	-10.3	0.2	-0.7	4.0	0.0
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	7.261	120.7	120.8	-11.8	0.1	-0.7	4.1	0.1
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	0.773	121.8	121.3	7.0	1.1	0.1	1.7	-0.4
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	28.850	122.1	124.4	14.0	1.8	0.4	1.2	1.9
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	10.454	122.3	124.1	10.8	1.7	-0.2	0.2	1.5
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE.....	18.397	122.1	124.7	16.0	1.9	0.7	1.8	2.1
10	Agricultural industrial supplies & materials.....	1.553	115.7	116.8	1.7	3.1	0.0	2.5	1.0
	NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	27.297	122.6	125.0	14.9	1.8	0.4	1.2	2.0
11	Fuels & lubricants.....	3.636	144.0	153.9	40.4	2.3	3.7	8.3	6.9
12	Nonagricultural supplies & materials excluding fuels & building materials.....	22.505	121.1	122.7	12.2	1.8	-0.1	0.2	1.3
13	Selected building materials.....	1.156	105.3	105.2	1.7	0.2	0.2	0.5	-0.1
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	39.916	98.4	98.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3
20	Electrical generating equipment.....	3.841	104.0	104.0	2.3	0.2	-0.3	0.5	0.0
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	29.274	93.8	93.4	-1.3	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.4
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100).....	6.801	111.2	111.5	4.3	0.9	0.3	0.4	0.3
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	11.040	103.2	103.4	1.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	12.119	101.6	101.9	1.5	0.5	-0.1	0.0	0.3
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	6.060	101.4	101.8	1.7	0.6	-0.2	0.0	0.4
41	Durables, manufactured.....	5.257	101.6	101.8	1.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.802	102.6	103.1	2.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.5

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						Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	107.6	108.5	8.1	0.6	0.9	2.0	0.8
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	3.761	117.3	117.3	10.2	-0.9	1.5	4.2	0.0
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	0.409	135.9	137.9	13.3	1.1	0.2	0.8	1.5
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.890	88.5	88.9	4.5	1.2	1.2	1.7	0.5
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	0.979	122.0	121.5	11.0	-4.6	0.7	13.2	-0.4
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof.....	0.529	130.2	128.9	24.4	3.9	3.3	6.0	-1.0
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.954	129.8	129.4	6.4	-2.5	2.2	-1.1	-0.3
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.930	107.7	107.8	2.4	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.1
11	Beverages.....	0.835	108.2	108.3	2.7	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	1.975	134.5	133.2	8.4	3.3	4.9	-1.0	-1.0
24	Cork and wood.....	0.754	137.2	132.6	3.8	1.8	4.0	3.9	-3.4
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.236	108.7	109.7	8.8	3.3	3.5	1.4	0.9
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	0.394	179.8	188.3	27.1	2.1	0.0	5.3	4.7
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.....	0.216	102.8	96.3	-3.0	12.0	24.9	-25.2	-6.3
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	17.698	164.8	170.7	41.0	1.1	4.1	11.3	3.6
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials....	15.785	167.0	171.2	42.3	2.5	5.7	12.5	2.5
34	Gas, natural and manufactured.....	1.913	145.8	164.0	33.0	-7.8	-5.0	1.7	12.5
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	8.482	112.0	113.8	10.0	0.5	1.5	0.2	1.6
51	Organic chemicals.....	2.817	111.7	115.4	16.1	-1.5	3.9	-0.2	3.3
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.665	129.3	130.9	12.9	0.7	0.7	0.6	1.2
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials.....	0.188	98.6	99.8	-0.8	-0.8	0.7	0.0	1.2
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	2.570	110.2	111.1	3.2	1.5	-0.2	-0.1	0.8
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	0.421	95.5	95.5	2.1	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.0
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	0.683	126.6	127.6	20.9	5.9	1.0	1.9	0.8
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.380	106.5	106.8	3.8	0.9	-0.2	0.0	0.3
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	0.540	97.8	99.5	4.3	0.1	1.6	0.1	1.7
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	11.820	113.0	113.7	7.7	0.9	0.4	1.0	0.6
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.674	103.5	103.6	3.7	0.3	0.4	0.9	0.1
63	Cork and wood manufactures other than furniture.....	0.865	124.1	120.3	-6.8	3.8	1.4	4.4	-3.1
64	Paper and paperboard, cut to size.....	1.204	100.3	101.6	7.2	1.0	-0.1	0.4	1.3
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related prod.....	1.357	104.5	104.6	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.1
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	2.105	100.9	101.1	1.8	0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.2
67	Iron and steel.....	1.579	163.6	166.6	28.5	0.7	-0.4	1.9	1.8
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.849	116.2	118.7	12.2	1.0	1.8	1.8	2.2
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	2.095	108.8	109.1	6.6	1.3	0.4	0.3	0.3

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7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	38.704	95.1	94.9	-0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	2.514	103.7	103.9	2.2	0.7	0.5	0.0	0.2
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	1.675	111.2	111.5	4.7	0.9	0.0	0.6	0.3
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.427	113.2	113.6	6.6	0.8	-0.3	0.1	0.4
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & machine parts, n.e.s.....	3.081	106.9	107.4	3.8	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.5
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	5.314	71.1	70.2	-8.2	-0.5	-0.7	-1.1	-1.3
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	4.966	82.7	82.2	-3.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.6
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	6.116	94.4	94.4	-0.5	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.0
78	Road vehicles.....	13.274	103.6	103.8	1.6	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.2
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	16.198	100.9	100.9	0.8	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
81	Prefabricated buildings; plumbing, heat & lighting fixtures, n.e.s.....	0.455	96.1	96.3	3.0	0.6	0.6	0.1	0.2
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	1.941	106.5	106.7	4.6	1.1	0.0	0.7	0.2
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers.....	0.382	107.1	107.2	3.6	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.1
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	5.104	100.7	100.4	-0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3
85	Footwear.....	1.174	100.3	100.2	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	1.797	100.9	101.7	2.1	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.8
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	0.867	99.1	99.3	-0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.2
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.478	99.0	99.1	0.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.4	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.

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	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	106.3	106.9	3.1	0.8	0.1	0.6	0.6
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	6.484	120.1	121.0	-4.0	0.1	0.1	1.5	0.7
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	1.202	128.3	132.4	3.8	-2.6	3.2	2.5	3.2
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.476	111.7	110.4	0.4	0.3	-0.5	1.5	-1.2
04	Cereals and cereal preparations.....	1.664	121.4	117.0	-20.8	2.4	-2.5	4.5	-3.6
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	1.539	125.2	130.5	19.2	-1.9	0.5	-2.3	4.2
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals).....	0.591	114.9	116.9	-16.1	2.1	1.5	3.1	1.7
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations.....	0.493	105.3	105.3	3.4	2.4	0.0	0.2	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.519	108.5	109.2	-3.2	0.3	-0.8	1.1	0.6
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.679	102.1	102.8	0.9	0.7	-0.1	0.0	0.7
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures.....	0.420	101.3	101.5	1.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.2
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	5.498	127.4	129.3	-2.6	3.1	-0.9	4.4	1.5
22	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits.....	1.169	128.9	124.6	-36.8	3.7	-4.8	17.5	-3.3
24	Cork and wood.....	0.519	99.2	98.7	1.1	-0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.5
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.672	103.0	101.8	3.0	1.2	0.7	2.3	-1.2
26	Textile fibers and their waste.....	0.618	104.4	105.0	-9.4	2.1	0.4	5.7	0.6
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	1.430	206.4	223.3	26.7	5.5	0.1	0.2	8.2
<u>2/</u>	Other crude materials, inedible, except fuels.....	1.089	124.4	125.6	15.8	2.3	-0.2	0.5	1.0
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	2.951	170.9	183.2	48.7	1.4	3.8	10.8	7.2
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials....	2.266	177.1	192.1	60.4	1.9	5.7	13.7	8.5
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	14.940	116.6	118.0	11.8	1.8	0.1	0.3	1.2
51	Organic chemicals.....	3.601	130.2	135.0	19.5	0.2	-0.9	2.1	3.7
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.960	119.9	120.1	20.8	2.9	1.8	0.7	0.2
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	2.706	107.9	108.1	2.3	1.0	-0.4	0.0	0.2
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	1.054	109.4	110.0	5.7	0.6	0.5	-0.9	0.5
56	Fertilizers.....	0.424	140.7	147.9	3.5	0.7	-0.1	-5.7	5.1
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	2.737	127.7	127.8	25.0	6.5	0.7	0.2	0.1
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.936	102.9	103.0	6.3	1.6	0.6	0.8	0.1
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	1.892	105.9	106.7	1.8	0.7	-0.1	-0.5	0.8
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	10.502	113.5	114.3	8.2	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.7
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.701	114.4	115.2	3.9	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.7
64	Uncoated Paper/paperboard, and linerboard.....	1.471	103.7	104.1	5.5	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.4
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, and made-up articles, n.e.s.....	1.581	109.1	110.3	6.0	0.9	0.0	0.8	1.1
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	1.558	102.2	102.5	2.8	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3
67	Iron and steel.....	1.417	163.9	165.0	23.9	-1.9	-0.7	-1.4	0.7
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.198	106.4	108.5	10.6	1.9	1.4	1.5	2.0
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	2.174	117.5	118.0	11.1	2.6	0.7	0.2	0.4

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

SITC Rev. 3	Description	Relative Import- ance March 2005 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2005	April 2005	Annual April 2004 to April 2005	Monthly			
						Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
<u>2/</u>	Other manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.401	116.9	117.1	-3.8	-0.2	0.5	0.5	0.2
7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	46.825	98.7	98.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.3
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	4.589	111.6	112.0	3.0	0.9	0.0	0.2	0.4
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	3.591	109.4	110.4	5.0	1.2	-0.1	0.2	0.9
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.602	102.6	103.3	2.6	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.7
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & parts, n.e.s.....	4.662	108.3	108.8	4.1	0.9	0.6	0.1	0.5
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	5.211	82.0	79.4	-10.6	-1.0	0.0	-1.2	-3.2
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	3.130	90.4	89.8	-2.6	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.7
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	11.414	87.7	87.5	-1.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	-0.2
78	Road vehicles.....	8.669	103.0	103.1	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	11.062	102.4	102.2	1.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	0.596	104.2	104.3	1.9	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.1
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	0.757	97.1	97.1	0.2	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.0
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	4.270	103.4	103.5	1.3	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.1
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	0.902	93.1	91.9	-2.9	-0.3	-2.0	-1.8	-1.3
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.164	104.3	104.0	2.2	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3
<u>2/</u>	Other miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.373	109.0	109.5	3.0	-0.3	0.5	0.2	0.5

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

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance March 2005 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2005	April 2005	Annual	Monthly			
					April 2004 to April 2005	Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.434	113.9	113.9	8.6	-1.7	2.6	0.4	0.0
02	Meat and edible meat offal.....	0.366	137.4	138.2	12.7	0.6	0.0	0.7	0.6
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.716	88.7	89.2	4.9	2.0	2.0	1.8	0.6
<u>2/</u>	Other live animals; animal products.....	0.352	155.3	152.4	7.5	-10.5	6.6	-2.4	-1.9
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	1.324	123.9	120.4	15.2	-0.5	7.1	5.4	-2.8
07	Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers.....	0.407	177.9	173.4	43.4	-12.4	1.5	43.0	-2.5
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.319	90.9	91.5	-6.6	-0.9	-1.0	-2.5	0.7
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices.....	0.296	126.1	122.8	36.9	4.1	6.7	10.3	-2.6
<u>2/</u>	Other vegetable products.....	0.303	116.8	108.2	-1.5	9.3	21.0	-19.4	-7.4
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.199	113.1	113.7	4.5	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.5
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.250	102.9	104.1	2.6	0.8	0.5	0.1	1.2
22	Beverages, spirits, and vinegar.....	0.852	106.4	106.0	2.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.4
<u>2/</u>	Other prepared foodstuffs.....	1.097	121.5	123.0	6.7	1.2	-0.3	0.2	1.2
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	18.189	163.8	170.0	40.7	1.4	3.7	11.1	3.8
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	17.876	163.1	169.3	41.3	1.3	3.8	11.3	3.8
<u>2/</u>	Other mineral products (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.313	122.5	125.7	15.3	5.5	0.4	2.5	2.6
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	7.663	111.0	113.2	9.8	-0.1	1.7	0.1	2.0
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.701	125.7	127.4	12.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	1.4
29	Organic chemicals.....	3.092	111.1	115.5	16.0	-2.0	3.9	0.0	4.0
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.271	110.8	111.2	3.4	2.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.4
32	Tanning & dyeing extracts; dye & pigments; varnish & paints; putty.....	0.191	99.7	100.4	2.6	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.7
33	Essential oils and resinoids (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.365	107.5	107.5	2.0	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.0
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	0.392	93.5	93.8	1.7	-1.0	3.0	0.1	0.3
<u>2/</u>	Other products of the chemical or allied industries.....	0.505	127.3	128.5	14.8	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.9
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	2.810	113.2	113.5	6.9	2.0	0.4	0.6	0.3
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	1.905	114.2	114.6	8.7	2.9	0.4	0.5	0.4
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	0.905	111.0	111.1	3.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.1
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.678	104.2	104.5	3.1	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.3
42	Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials.....	0.581	104.4	104.8	2.8	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	1.638	131.9	128.4	-1.4	2.5	2.2	3.4	-2.7
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	1.736	101.7	102.6	5.7	1.3	0.3	0.5	0.9
47	Pulp wood or other fibrous cellulosic material; waste paper/paperboard.....	0.234	108.3	109.2	8.8	3.2	3.6	1.4	0.8
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.209	99.3	100.5	6.8	1.0	-0.1	0.4	1.2
49	Printed matter.....	0.293	112.0	112.0	-0.5	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	6.069	100.7	100.4	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.1	-0.3
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted.....	2.217	100.0	99.5	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.5

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

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2005	April 2005	Annual 2004 to April 2005	Monthly			
						Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted.....	2.480	99.7	99.4	-0.7	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3
63	Made-up or worn textile articles.....	0.489	92.6	92.6	-1.9	-0.7	-0.1	-0.2	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other textile & textile articles.....	0.883	109.3	109.5	4.3	0.3	-0.4	1.0	0.2
XII	HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC.....	1.389	99.6	99.7	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
64	Footwear and parts of such articles.....	1.171	100.1	100.0	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1
<u>2/</u>	Other footwear, headgear, umbrellas, whips, art. flowers, etc.....	0.218	97.2	97.7	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.995	105.3	105.4	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.1
68	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.304	98.6	98.7	-0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1
69	Ceramic products.....	0.346	111.0	111.1	2.8	0.8	-0.1	0.1	0.1
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.345	105.3	105.3	1.1	0.2	0.8	-0.2	0.0
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.335	97.4	98.2	2.7	-0.6	-0.6	0.3	0.8
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL.....	5.382	132.4	134.4	15.9	1.0	0.1	1.3	1.5
72	Iron and steel.....	1.306	173.7	177.2	25.7	0.0	-3.4	1.6	2.0
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.450	122.2	123.2	15.4	1.5	1.3	0.9	0.8
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.428	140.2	142.4	13.1	0.1	0.8	2.3	1.6
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.868	116.6	118.6	7.1	2.7	-0.1	1.4	1.7
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.422	105.3	105.7	2.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.4
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.456	112.9	113.1	6.0	1.5	-0.3	-0.2	0.2
<u>2/</u>	Other base metals and articles of base metals.....	0.452	128.4	133.3	25.8	0.4	8.0	3.4	3.8
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE & SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC.....	23.829	89.9	89.6	-1.8	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	12.430	90.2	90.0	-1.6	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2
85	Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders & reproducers, parts.....	11.399	89.6	89.4	-1.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	14.756	104.2	104.4	1.9	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	13.487	103.6	103.8	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof (Dec. 2002=100).....	1.110	105.2	105.3	2.9	1.4	0.1	0.1	0.1
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	3.288	99.8	100.3	0.7	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.5
90	Optical, photographic, measuring and medical instruments.....	2.910	98.9	99.4	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.5
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof.....	0.272	107.2	107.9	0.9	1.0	-0.3	0.1	0.7
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	4.083	99.0	99.1	2.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.1
94	Furniture & stuffed furnishings; lamps & lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg.....	2.340	103.4	103.6	4.0	1.1	0.0	0.5	0.2
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	1.522	93.7	93.6	-0.7	-0.1	-0.1	-0.6	-0.1
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.221	98.3	98.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0

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

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2005	April 2005	Annual	Monthly			
					April 2004 to April 2005	Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.855	122.5	125.5	2.7	-2.5	1.3	1.6	2.4
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.444	116.7	115.1	5.8	0.2	-0.3	2.6	-1.4
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	4.199	126.3	124.9	-17.2	1.0	-1.5	4.3	-1.1
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.824	119.4	122.5	18.9	0.8	0.0	-10.7	2.6
10	Cereals.....	1.411	121.4	116.1	-23.0	2.7	-2.8	5.3	-4.4
12	Oilseeds and misc. grains, seeds, fruits, plants, straw and fodder.....	1.346	129.6	126.1	-31.9	4.2	-3.9	14.6	-2.7
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.559	108.5	108.9	-3.2	1.5	0.3	1.3	0.4
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations.....	0.453	106.6	106.6	4.8	2.5	0.0	0.5	0.0
23	Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal feed.....	0.505	115.0	115.9	-21.9	2.4	1.7	4.0	0.8
<u>2/</u>	Other prepared foods.....	0.851	107.5	108.0	0.4	0.3	-0.4	0.8	0.5
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	3.681	172.4	186.0	50.1	4.5	3.8	8.1	7.9
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	2.959	164.2	175.3	46.8	1.2	3.8	9.8	6.8
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	11.744	115.3	116.9	9.0	0.8	-0.2	0.1	1.4
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	1.053	127.3	127.8	24.6	4.2	2.6	1.0	0.4
29	Organic chemicals.....	3.940	127.4	131.0	16.3	-0.5	-0.9	1.1	2.8
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.270	107.9	108.2	2.7	1.4	-0.3	-0.1	0.3
31	Fertilizers.....	0.419	136.3	143.3	3.5	0.7	-0.1	-5.7	5.1
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts, dyes, paints, varnish, putty, & inks.....	0.659	109.2	109.8	12.5	2.8	0.3	0.6	0.5
33	Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet.....	0.773	112.4	113.4	6.0	1.1	-0.1	0.1	0.9
34	Soap; lubricants; waxes, polishing or scouring products; candles, pastes.....	0.375	99.6	99.9	-2.2	-1.5	1.6	-2.6	0.3
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods.....	0.393	98.0	97.3	-1.7	0.2	-1.6	-1.3	-0.7
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	1.620	105.6	106.6	1.8	0.7	0.1	-0.2	0.9
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	5.764	121.0	121.0	15.3	3.9	0.6	0.3	0.0
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	4.749	120.1	119.9	16.3	4.3	0.6	0.3	-0.2
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	1.015	123.3	124.0	11.1	2.3	0.4	0.9	0.6
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.482	110.6	110.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.5	0.3	-0.3
41	Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather.....	0.435	106.4	106.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	-0.3
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	0.785	104.3	104.6	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	2.846	102.2	102.2	4.3	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.0
47	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.670	98.8	97.7	3.1	1.4	0.7	2.2	-1.1
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.539	100.6	100.8	5.0	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.2
49	Printed material.....	0.637	113.0	113.7	3.7	1.5	-0.1	-0.3	0.6

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

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2005	April 2005	Annual April 2004 to April 2005	Monthly			
						Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
		March 2005 1/	March 2005	April 2005	April 2004 to April 2005	Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	2.825	99.5	100.4	0.9	0.7	-0.1	1.4	0.9
52	Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof.....	0.704	91.7	93.1	-7.5	-1.2	0.6	4.8	1.5
61	Apparel & clothing knitted or crocheted (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.410	95.5	95.5	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.0
62	Apparel Articles & Accessories, not knitted.....	0.282	95.7	95.6	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1
<u>2/</u>	Other textile and textile articles (Dec. 2001=100).....	1.428	110.7	111.9	6.3	1.8	-0.2	0.5	1.1
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.819	101.6	101.7	2.9	0.8	0.1	0.4	0.1
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.487	96.3	96.4	0.8	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.369	105.8	107.6	3.1	-1.1	-1.1	-0.8	1.7
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS.....	5.428	132.6	134.4	13.9	2.7	-0.2	0.6	1.4
72	Iron and steel.....	1.417	166.2	169.8	13.5	-1.1	-2.2	-1.1	2.2
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.310	124.3	125.4	14.4	-0.2	0.6	-0.4	0.9
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.515	146.4	147.0	14.4	6.7	0.0	5.9	0.4
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.824	117.1	120.2	10.2	2.2	0.9	1.3	2.6
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.414	107.8	108.2	6.6	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.4
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.449	116.8	116.9	7.1	3.2	1.2	0.3	0.1
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC..	32.786	95.0	94.6	-0.7	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.4
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	17.808	100.4	99.8	-0.6	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.6
85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts and accessories thereof.....	14.978	89.0	88.7	-1.0	0.0	-0.1	0.1	-0.3
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	13.824	108.4	108.6	2.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	9.005	103.1	103.3	1.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.2
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	6.149	101.6	101.7	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.1
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	1.464	100.7	100.8	1.7	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1
94	Furniture; stuffed furnishings; lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;.....	0.805	106.3	106.5	3.7	-0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.2
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	0.518	93.9	93.8	-1.1	-1.0	0.0	0.1	-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.

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

Description	Percentage of U.S. Imports <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		March 2005	April 2005	Annual		Monthly		
				April 2004 to April 2005	Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
<u>2/</u> Industrialized Countries.....	47.950	109.9	110.7	6.5	0.4	0.6	1.3	0.7
Manufactured Goods.....	43.658	106.3	106.5	3.6	1.0	0.3	0.4	0.2
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	4.024	159.2	166.7	36.3	-4.2	2.5	10.2	4.7
<u>3/</u> Other Countries.....	52.050	104.3	104.9	8.4	0.8	1.0	2.8	0.6
Manufactured Goods.....	43.318	98.2	98.4	2.9	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.2
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	8.625	155.1	157.3	32.2	3.5	3.9	10.8	1.4
Canada.....	17.203	120.6	122.0	10.3	0.1	0.8	2.6	1.2
Manufactured Goods.....	13.876	113.8	113.6	5.1	1.3	0.4	1.1	-0.2
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.133	160.6	169.8	34.2	-4.3	2.2	9.2	5.7
<u>4/</u> European Union.....	19.566	113.9	114.1	5.5	0.9	0.8	0.4	0.2
Manufactured Goods.....	19.013	112.8	113.0	4.3	1.2	0.6	-0.1	0.2
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	0.498	179.3	181.0	43.1	-6.9	4.6	12.8	0.9
France (Dec. 2003=100).....	2.069	102.4	102.7	0.4	-0.7	-0.1	0.5	0.3
Germany (Dec. 2003=100).....	5.308	103.9	104.4	3.0	0.9	-0.1	0.0	0.5
United Kingdom (Dec. 2003=100).....	3.185	111.3	111.6	9.0	-0.5	0.8	2.5	0.3
<u>5/</u> Latin America.....	17.344	121.5	122.8	13.8	1.8	1.4	4.1	1.1
Manufactured Goods.....	13.359	116.8	117.7	8.0	0.5	0.9	1.1	0.8
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.941	159.2	161.9	31.7	5.7	2.9	12.5	1.7
Mexico (Dec. 2003=100).....	10.952	108.8	109.1	7.2	0.8	0.7	3.1	0.3
<u>6/</u> Pacific Rim (Dec. 2003=100).....	33.549	100.1	99.9	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2
China (Dec. 2003=100).....	12.320	98.9	99.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.2
Japan.....	9.512	96.0	96.1	1.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
<u>7/</u> Asian NICs.....	7.447	90.7	89.9	-1.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.9
<u>8/</u> ASEAN (Dec. 2003=100).....	6.608	98.2	98.0	-1.2	-0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2
<u>9/</u> Asia Near East (Dec. 2003=100).....	3.353	140.4	142.3	23.1	2.2	4.1	7.5	1.4

1 Percentage of trade figures are based on 2003 trade values.

2 Includes Western Europe, Canada, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

3 Includes Eastern Europe, Latin America, OPEC countries, and other countries in Asia, Africa and the Western Hemisphere.

4 Includes European Union countries.

5 Includes Mexico, Central America, South America and the Caribbean.

6 Includes China, Japan, Asia Newly Industrialized Countries, Australia, Brunei, Indonesia, Macao, Malaysia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Philippines.

7 Asia Newly Industrialized Countries. Includes Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan.

8 Association of Southeast Asian Nations. Includes Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

9 Includes Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

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

Regions are not mutually exclusive.

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

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

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) 1/	Index		Percent Change				
		March 2005	April 2005	Annual	Monthly			
				April 2004 to April 2005	Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
IMPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	18253	110.0	116.9	5.1	-0.8	-0.6	-0.1	6.3
Europe.....	11250	101.7	110.2	3.1	0.3	0.4	-0.3	8.4
Asia.....	2626	106.7	107.4	4.8	-8.8	-4.2	1.0	0.7
Latin America/Caribbean.....	1916	110.6	113.8	2.3	0.1	-4.3	0.5	2.9
EXPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	20319	136.3	133.9	8.2	5.2	-4.6	1.3	-1.8
Europe.....	5394	163.1	159.8	8.1	2.8	-3.5	3.4	-2.0
Asia.....	8936	120.9	114.2	6.5	7.8	-5.4	0.8	-5.5
Latin America/Caribbean.....	3413	135.3	139.1	5.1	9.6	-7.0	-2.3	2.8

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

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		December 2004	March 2005	Annual	Quarterly			
				March 2004 to March 2005	March 2004 to June 2004	June 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Dec. 2004	Dec. 2004 to March 2005
INBOUND								
Air Freight.....	7483	125.1	126.3	8.7	0.3	1.8	5.4	1.0
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	2466	120.0	120.1	12.2	0.9	3.3	7.5	0.1
Asia.....	4180	112.0	113.8	6.1	-0.5	0.9	3.9	1.6
OUTBOUND								
Air Freight.....	5193	104.7	103.7	7.9	3.0	1.7	4.0	-1.0
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	1998	112.9	113.9	11.9	4.8	1.8	4.0	0.9
Asia.....	2365	103.7	100.5	4.7	1.7	0.9	5.3	-3.1

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised one quarter after original publication.

n.a. Not available

Table 11 U.S. Inbound and Outbound Monthly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
April 2004-April 2005 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		March 2005	April 2005	Annual	Monthly			
				April 2004 to April 2005	Dec. 2004 to Jan. 2005	Jan. 2005 to Feb. 2005	Feb. 2005 to March 2005	March 2005 to April 2005
INBOUND								
Air Passenger Fares (Dec. 2003=100).....	38589	114.5	113.6	7.9	4.7	-4.2	1.5	-0.8
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	15654	115.9	115.3	7.7	2.7	-3.7	2.7	-0.5
Asia (Dec. 2003=100).....	12401	113.2	108.2	3.6	7.4	-5.3	1.5	-4.4
Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100).....	5604	108.2	109.4	6.6	8.5	-4.4	-3.2	1.1
Canada (Dec. 2003=100).....	2905	125.0	134.7	29.8	-2.3	-1.6	2.4	7.8
Crude Oil Tanker Freight.....	3434	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	9.1	-27.5	n.a.	n.a.
Ocean Liner Freight.....	17817	121.2	121.6	n.a.	-0.9	-0.3	0.0	0.3
U.S. East Coast.....	6938	114.9	115.8	n.a.	-0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.8
From Atlantic.....	3022	111.6	114.1	n.a.	0.4	0.0	0.4	2.2
From Pacific.....	2817	112.0	111.6	n.a.	-1.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.4
U.S. West Coast.....	10879	125.9	125.9	n.a.	-1.3	-0.5	0.0	0.0
OUTBOUND								
Air Passenger Fares (Dec. 2003=100).....	43898	105.0	112.1	5.3	0.5	-0.7	-0.2	6.8
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	21857	104.7	115.8	2.6	0.0	0.3	-0.2	10.6
Asia (Dec. 2003=100).....	7190	100.8	106.0	6.5	-1.1	-4.5	0.3	5.2
Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100).....	9206	105.2	106.4	6.7	1.0	-1.2	0.2	1.1
Canada (Dec. 2003=100).....	2982	120.6	125.2	21.1	2.1	3.9	3.0	3.8

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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