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U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES - APRIL 2007 -

The U.S. Import Price Index rose 1.3 percent in April, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today, following a 1.5 percent advance in March. For the second consecutive month the increase was led by higher petroleum prices. Export prices also increased in April, rising 0.3 percent after a 0.6 percent advance 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	Non-petroleum Imports	All Exports	Agricultural Exports	Nonagricultural Exports
<u>2006</u>						
April	2.1	11.3	0.1	0.7	-0.4	0.7
May	1.8	6.4	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7
June	0.1	-1.1	0.4	0.7	2.6	0.6
July	0.8	3.6	0.0	0.4	1.9	0.2
August	0.5	1.0	0.5	0.4	0.9	0.5
September	-2.2	-11.0	0.1	-0.4	-0.5	-0.4
October	-2.5	-10.4	-0.6	-0.3	1.0	-0.5
November	0.4	-1.6	1.0	0.4	4.4	0.1
December	1.1	4.0	0.5	0.6	2.4	0.5
<u>2007</u>						
January	-1.2 r	-6.6	-0.1	0.4	0.6 r	0.5
February	0.4 r	1.7 r	0.0 r	0.8 r	2.8	0.6 r
March	1.5 r	8.1 r	0.3	0.6 r	2.0 r	0.5 r
April	1.3	6.5	0.2	0.3	-1.3	0.4
April 2005-06	5.8	32.3	0.7	2.5	-0.1	2.6
April 2006-07	1.9	-1.8	2.9	4.9	19.0	3.9

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

Import Goods

The 2.8 percent increase in import prices over the past two months drove the index to the highest level recorded since petroleum prices peaked in August 2006. This was largely attributable to the price index for petroleum which rose a further 6.5 percent in April after an 8.1 percent gain in March and a 1.7 percent advance in February. Despite the recent increases, petroleum prices were down 1.8 percent over the past year. Nonpetroleum prices also rose in April, advancing 0.2 percent following a 0.3 percent increase in March. The nonpetroleum price index was up 2.9 percent over the past 12 months. Overall import prices rose 1.9 percent for the year ended in April.

The increase last month in nonpetroleum import prices was led by a 0.9 percent advance in the price index for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials, which followed a 1.4 percent increase in March. Higher metals prices more than offset falling prices for natural gas and chemicals. Also contributing to the rise in nonpetroleum prices was a 1.4 percent increase in foods, feeds, and beverages prices and a modest 0.1 percent advance in consumer goods prices. The increase in foods, feeds, and beverages prices was largely attributable to a 10.1 percent rise in vegetable prices.

In contrast, capital goods prices decreased for the third consecutive month, falling 0.4 percent in April. The decline was led by a 1.8 percent drop in computer prices, the largest monthly decrease for that index since a 2.2 percent drop in July 1999.

The price index for automotive vehicles was unchanged in April after recording modest 0.1 percent advances in March and February.

Export Goods

Export prices rose 0.3 percent in April following 0.6 percent and 0.8 percent increases in March and February, respectively. A 0.4 percent advance in nonagricultural prices more than offset a downturn in agricultural prices. Prices for nonagricultural exports rose for the sixth consecutive month and advanced 3.9 percent for the year ended in April. Overall, export prices increased 4.9 percent for the same period.

The increase in nonagricultural prices was led by the continued rise in the price index for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials, up 1.4 percent in April after advancing 1.8 percent and 2.1 percent in the two previous months. Higher prices for fuels, chemicals, and iron and steel products all contributed to the increase.

Prices for the major finished goods indexes were mixed in April. The price indexes for consumer goods and automotive vehicles increased, rising 0.5 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively. In contrast, capital goods prices declined for the second consecutive month, falling 0.1 percent in April.

Agricultural prices decreased 1.3 percent in April, the largest decline since a 1.4 percent drop in September 2005. Corn prices, which had trended upward for most of 2007, led the downturn in agricultural prices, falling 14.3 percent in April. Despite the decline, corn prices were up 39.5 percent over the past year.

Imports by Locality of Origin

Higher petroleum prices in April contributed to increasing prices for imports from Canada and Mexico, which rose 1.4 percent and 2.1 percent, respectively. The increase in prices from Mexico was the largest monthly advance since a 2.3 percent rise in July 2006. Import prices from Canada rose 3.2 percent for the year ended in April, while prices for imports from Mexico increased 3.7 percent.

In contrast, import prices from the European Union fell 0.1 percent in April. Higher crude petroleum prices also impacted the index, but that was more than offset by a 0.2 percent decline in the prices for manufactured articles. Prices from the European Union increased 3.4 percent over the past year.

The price index for imports from China decreased 0.1 percent in April following a 0.2 percent advance the previous month. Import prices from China declined 0.4 percent for the April 2006-2007 period. Prices for imports from Japan recorded no change in April and fell 0.5 percent over the past 12 months.

Import and Export Services

Import air passenger fares rose 3.5 percent in April, the largest increase for the index since an 11.4 percent advance in June 2006. Export air passenger fares also increased in April, rising 2.6 percent. In both cases, the increases were led by seasonal factors. The index for import fares rose 4.8 percent for the year ended in April, while export fares increased 9.3 percent for the same period.

Prices for import air freight rose 0.7 percent in April, driven by a 0.9 percent advance in Asian air freight prices. Import air freight prices increased 1.4 percent over the past year. Export air freight prices advanced 0.4 percent in April and 3.4 percent over the past 12 months.

Export travel and tourism prices, which are lagged one month, rose 2.2 percent in March after a similar 2.4 percent increase in February.

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 Import and Export Price Index data for May 2007 are scheduled for release on June 13 at 8:30 A.M. (E.D.T.).

Table 1 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
April 2006-April 2007 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

END USE	Description	Relative Importance March 2007 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2007	April 2007	Annual April 2006 to April 2007	Monthly			
						Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	115.8	117.3	1.9	-1.2	0.4	1.5	1.3
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	82.736	105.9	106.1	2.9	-0.1	0.0	0.3	0.2
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100).....	80.250	108.4	108.6	2.6	0.3	-0.2	0.2	0.2
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	4.384	124.6	126.4	8.8	1.5	0.2	-0.2	1.4
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	3.320	135.1	137.9	10.7	1.3	-0.1	-0.2	2.1
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	1.064	101.1	100.6	3.1	1.9	1.3	0.0	-0.5
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	35.176	169.3	175.6	3.2	-3.7	1.0	4.5	3.7
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	17.912	139.2	140.4	9.1	-1.1	0.4	1.4	0.9
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100).....	15.426	146.2	147.7	8.5	0.4	-0.2	0.8	1.0
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	9.987	140.9	143.3	11.1	0.5	-0.6	1.3	1.7
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	7.925	136.2	136.1	6.8	-3.1	1.7	1.4	-0.1
10	Fuels & lubricants.....	19.751	208.5	220.5	-0.3	-7.0	1.9	7.6	5.8
100	Petroleum & petroleum products.....	17.265	212.6	226.5	-1.8	-6.6	1.7	8.1	6.5
10000	Crude.....	11.899	209.8	221.4	-4.8	-7.4	3.2	5.3	5.5
101	Fuels, n.e.s.-coals & gas.....	2.094	178.1	175.2	4.7	-12.2	3.8	4.0	-1.6
10110	Gas-natural.....	1.933	175.1	171.9	4.8	-13.2	4.1	4.4	-1.8
11	Paper & paper base stocks.....	0.860	111.5	110.9	1.5	-1.2	0.0	0.1	-0.5
12	Materials associated with nondurable supplies & materials.....	4.663	124.5	124.2	4.4	0.4	0.6	0.2	-0.2
13	Selected building materials.....	1.924	111.0	111.6	-5.5	0.8	-0.5	0.1	0.5
14	Unfinished metals related to durable goods.....	4.650	202.7	208.3	25.9	1.0	-0.2	2.6	2.8
15	Finished metals related to durable goods.....	1.691	125.3	128.0	6.1	-0.9	-2.5	0.6	2.2
16	Nonmetals related to durable goods.....	1.638	101.8	101.7	0.7	0.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.1
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	22.132	91.0	90.6	-0.4	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4
20	Electric generating equipment.....	2.689	104.2	104.7	4.4	1.2	-0.1	0.1	0.5
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	17.761	87.2	86.6	-1.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.2	-0.7
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100).....	1.682	109.9	110.1	2.5	0.7	0.1	-0.1	0.2
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	14.160	104.5	104.5	0.9	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	24.148	101.3	101.4	1.9	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	11.161	104.2	104.4	1.8	0.8	-0.1	0.1	0.2
41	Durables, manufactured.....	11.792	98.2	98.2	1.9	-0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods.....	1.195	102.2	102.2	3.9	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005 trade values.

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Table 2 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
April 2006-April 2007 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

END USE	Description	Relative Importance March 2007 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2007	April 2007	Annual	Monthly			
					April 2006 to April 2007	Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	114.6	115.0	4.9	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.3
	AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	8.417	144.9	143.0	19.0	0.6	2.8	2.0	-1.3
	NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	91.582	112.5	113.0	3.9	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	7.708	146.7	145.5	20.2	0.2	3.2	2.3	-0.8
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	7.021	149.0	146.9	21.6	0.2	3.4	2.3	-1.4
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	0.687	127.8	134.6	9.9	0.1	1.6	1.8	5.3
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	29.841	145.6	147.5	10.2	0.6	2.0	1.7	1.3
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	12.018	160.0	161.5	16.2	1.8	2.4	2.2	0.9
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE.....	17.822	137.9	140.1	6.8	-0.1	1.6	1.5	1.6
10	Agricultural industrial supplies & materials.....	1.396	127.8	127.1	8.4	2.7	-0.2	0.6	-0.5
	NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	28.444	146.8	148.9	10.3	0.6	2.1	1.8	1.4
11	Fuels & lubricants.....	4.292	190.2	199.8	6.8	-5.3	5.4	3.8	5.0
12	Nonagricultural supplies & materials excluding fuels & building materials.....	23.040	143.4	144.6	11.4	1.7	1.5	1.6	0.8
13	Selected building materials.....	1.112	112.5	112.7	3.8	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	39.415	99.0	98.9	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
20	Electrical generating equipment.....	3.700	106.0	106.6	2.0	-0.3	0.0	0.1	0.6
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	28.591	92.5	92.1	-0.6	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100).....	7.124	121.1	121.7	4.3	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.5
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	10.567	105.9	106.0	1.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	12.469	104.8	105.3	2.6	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.5
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	5.901	104.9	105.3	2.5	1.0	0.1	-0.2	0.4
41	Durables, manufactured.....	5.484	103.4	104.2	2.8	0.7	-0.2	0.1	0.8

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Table 3 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
 April 2006-April 2007 December 2005=100, unless otherwise noted

NAICS	Description	Relative Importance March 2007 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2007	April 2007	Annual	Monthly			
					April 2006 to April 2007	Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
	Nonmanufactured Articles.....	16.240	101.1	105.9	-1.4	-7.2	3.2	4.2	4.7
11	AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS.....	1.515	109.9	113.6	23.6	2.3	1.6	-1.6	3.4
111	Agricultural products.....	1.029	107.6	113.2	31.2	3.1	-0.9	-2.2	5.2
21	OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND ORES.....	14.725	100.3	105.2	-3.2	-8.1	3.3	4.8	4.9
212	Minerals and ores (Dec. 2006=100).....	0.404	100.5	100.7	n.a.	1.6	-0.2	-0.9	0.2
	Manufactured Articles.....	83.137	104.0	104.6	3.0	0.1	-0.3	1.1	0.6
31	MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 1.....	10.504	102.5	102.8	2.2	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.3
311	Food and kindred products.....	2.436	107.0	107.8	5.9	1.7	0.6	0.5	0.7
312	Beverages and tobacco products.....	0.828	102.7	102.6	1.9	0.4	0.1	0.0	-0.1
313	Textiles and fabrics.....	0.510	105.3	105.7	3.3	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4
314	Textile mill products.....	0.799	100.7	100.5	0.2	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.2
315	Apparel and accessories.....	4.416	100.6	100.7	0.6	0.3	-0.1	0.5	0.1
316	Leather and allied products.....	1.515	101.2	101.4	1.4	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.2
32	MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 2.....	17.965	105.6	108.0	4.2	-0.2	-0.7	4.0	2.3
321	Wood products.....	1.221	89.6	90.5	-9.5	1.0	-1.3	0.0	1.0
322	Paper.....	1.396	104.1	103.7	1.3	-1.3	0.2	0.0	-0.4
324	Petroleum and coal products.....	4.383	107.4	115.7	2.8	-3.5	-3.2	16.9	7.7
325	Chemicals.....	7.993	108.3	109.3	8.8	1.2	0.3	0.7	0.9
326	Plastics and rubber products.....	1.734	103.5	103.2	2.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	-0.3
327	Nonmetallic mineral products.....	1.129	104.8	104.8	2.1	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.0
33	MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 3.....	54.668	103.8	103.9	2.8	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.1
331	Primary metals.....	5.433	138.8	142.8	26.1	1.0	-1.2	2.3	2.9
332	Fabricated metal products, nesoi.....	2.585	106.7	106.8	4.6	0.6	-0.2	0.8	0.1
333	Machinery, except electrical.....	6.827	104.5	104.8	3.4	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.3
334	Computer and electronic products.....	14.676	95.6	94.8	-3.9	-0.8	-0.7	-0.3	-0.8
335	Electrical equipment, appliances, and components....	3.731	105.1	105.5	4.6	1.2	-0.1	0.2	0.4
336	Transportation equipment.....	14.890	100.9	100.9	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
337	Furniture and fixtures.....	1.508	101.1	101.3	1.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
339	Miscellaneous manufactured commodities.....	5.018	105.9	106.0	5.1	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.1

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Table 4 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
 April 2006-April 2007 December 2005=100, unless otherwise noted

NAICS	Description	Relative Importance March 2007 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2007	April 2007	Annual	Monthly			
					April 2006 to April 2007	Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
	Nonmanufactured Articles.....	6.251	116.9	115.1	11.9	-2.1	3.5	1.7	-1.5
11	AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS.....	4.605	124.9	121.8	21.1	-0.5	3.0	2.9	-2.5
111	Agricultural products.....	4.184	126.7	122.2	22.4	-0.5	3.1	2.9	-3.6
21	OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND ORES.....	1.646	99.2	100.1	-7.2	-6.4	5.1	-1.4	0.9
211	Oil and gas.....	0.563	97.6	104.1	19.4	-14.4	16.4	-5.6	6.7
212	Minerals and ores.....	1.083	100.2	98.1	-16.4	-2.1	-0.2	0.9	-2.1
	Manufactured Articles.....	90.245	104.1	104.5	3.1	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4
31	MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 1.....	6.699	107.5	107.7	9.3	1.5	1.5	0.7	0.2
311	Food and kindred products.....	4.112	113.1	113.3	15.4	2.3	2.4	1.3	0.2
312	Beverages and tobacco products.....	0.488	101.7	101.5	0.5	1.2	0.1	0.7	-0.2
313	Textiles and fabrics.....	0.970	98.2	98.3	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
315	Apparel and accessories.....	0.558	100.1	100.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1
32	MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 2.....	22.321	106.7	108.2	5.0	0.3	0.8	1.1	1.4
321	Wood products.....	0.555	107.7	108.0	6.8	-0.2	1.3	0.4	0.3
322	Paper.....	2.101	108.3	108.8	4.1	0.0	0.6	-0.1	0.5
324	Petroleum and coal products.....	2.381	113.4	121.1	2.9	-5.5	3.1	6.9	6.8
325	Chemicals.....	14.009	106.0	107.0	6.0	1.3	0.6	0.8	0.9
326	Plastics and rubber products.....	2.318	103.9	103.9	2.0	0.6	0.2	-0.2	0.0
327	Nonmetallic mineral products.....	0.849	105.2	105.3	6.3	0.7	0.2	0.0	0.1
33	MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 3.....	61.226	102.7	102.9	1.8	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
331	Primary metals.....	4.162	122.0	124.5	15.2	-0.9	0.9	3.1	2.0
332	Fabricated metal products, nesoi.....	2.760	109.3	110.4	5.3	0.6	0.4	0.5	1.0
333	Machinery, except electrical.....	12.139	104.1	104.2	2.9	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.1
334	Computer and electronic products.....	17.213	96.2	95.8	-3.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4
335	Electrical equipment, appliances, and components....	3.600	103.5	103.9	2.9	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.4
336	Transportation equipment.....	16.561	103.6	103.8	2.4	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.2
339	Miscellaneous manufactured commodities.....	4.454	103.1	103.7	3.2	0.9	-0.1	0.2	0.6

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Table 5 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
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Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance March 2007 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2007	April 2007	Annual	Monthly			
					April 2006 to April 2007	Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.181	122.5	123.3	6.7	0.8	1.7	0.3	0.7
02	Meat and edible meat offal.....	0.311	142.6	143.3	4.1	0.0	0.8	-0.1	0.5
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.610	100.6	100.3	6.0	2.5	1.6	1.0	-0.3
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	1.143	124.3	131.7	26.0	1.7	-2.2	-1.8	6.0
07	Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers.....	0.313	179.0	208.8	68.8	6.3	-1.8	-4.7	16.6
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.322	82.3	85.4	5.2	-1.8	-6.9	0.1	3.8
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices.....	0.239	135.2	135.7	14.9	1.3	-0.9	-1.9	0.4
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.082	122.3	122.2	2.7	1.3	0.6	0.2	-0.1
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.271	121.7	121.8	4.6	0.8	0.2	0.7	0.1
22	Beverages, spirits, and vinegar.....	0.795	110.5	110.1	0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.4
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	19.514	206.0	217.2	-1.5	-7.0	1.9	7.2	5.4
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	19.122	205.3	216.7	-1.6	-7.2	1.9	7.4	5.6
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	7.299	122.0	122.8	8.8	1.6	0.3	0.7	0.7
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.910	198.6	207.5	36.8	5.3	2.7	2.7	4.5
29	Organic chemicals.....	2.683	123.6	123.5	8.0	0.8	-0.5	0.6	-0.1
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.037	107.7	107.9	1.9	2.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.2
32	Tanning & dyeing extracts; dye & pigments; varnish & paints; putty.....	0.181	101.9	102.4	1.9	0.3	-0.4	0.3	0.5
33	Essential oils and resinoids (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.418	111.9	112.3	5.3	0.2	-0.3	1.2	0.4
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	0.431	95.6	96.0	4.7	0.0	1.1	0.2	0.4
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	2.978	120.8	121.2	2.6	0.0	0.7	-0.1	0.3
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	1.917	117.2	117.6	0.9	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.3
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	1.061	127.8	128.1	5.9	0.6	2.2	-0.1	0.2
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.605	105.7	106.3	2.2	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.6
42	Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials.....	0.525	105.8	106.3	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.5
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	1.291	110.5	111.5	-8.8	0.8	-1.2	0.1	0.9
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	1.587	108.3	108.0	1.2	-0.9	0.1	0.1	-0.3
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.090	105.0	104.4	-1.1	-0.9	-0.1	0.1	-0.6
49	Printed matter.....	0.281	115.0	115.1	1.9	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.1
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	5.534	101.7	101.7	0.9	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted.....	1.978	100.2	100.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	0.1	0.2
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted.....	2.236	100.7	100.8	1.5	0.6	-0.2	0.9	0.1
63	Made-up or worn textile articles.....	0.542	94.3	94.0	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.3	-0.3

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Table 5 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
April 2006-April 2007 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance March 2007 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2007	April 2007	Annual April 2006 to April 2007	Monthly			
						Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
XII	HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC.....	1.267	101.5	101.6	1.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
64	Footwear and parts of such articles.....	1.071	101.4	101.4	0.7	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.0
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.982	109.5	109.6	1.3	0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.1
68	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (Dec. 2001=100).....	0.345	102.8	102.6	-0.3	0.6	0.0	0.1	-0.2
69	Ceramic products.....	0.308	114.6	114.7	3.1	0.4	-0.2	0.4	0.1
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.329	110.0	110.6	1.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.5
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.928	132.8	132.2	14.9	0.6	1.7	1.7	-0.5
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL.....	6.552	163.8	168.2	17.7	0.1	-1.0	1.3	2.7
72	Iron and steel.....	1.533	193.1	197.8	22.5	0.2	2.0	2.9	2.4
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.483	127.0	127.2	2.7	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.2
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.742	238.2	261.6	26.0	-5.7	-11.8	1.0	9.8
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	1.147	146.1	146.2	6.6	1.5	-0.9	-0.5	0.1
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.364	107.9	108.0	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.492	125.5	124.1	6.0	0.3	0.5	0.2	-1.1
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE & SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC.....	24.943	87.8	87.4	-0.6	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	-0.5
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	12.871	88.2	87.8	-0.6	0.1	-0.3	-0.2	-0.5
85	Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders & reproducers, parts.....	12.072	87.5	87.0	-0.8	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.6
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	12.940	105.5	105.5	0.9	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	11.950	104.7	104.7	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof (Dec. 2002=100).....	0.875	107.8	108.0	2.1	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.2
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	3.050	99.1	99.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.9	0.2	0.1
90	Optical, photographic, measuring and medical instruments.....	2.707	97.3	97.5	-0.6	0.0	-1.0	0.1	0.2
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof.....	0.251	116.0	115.7	4.6	0.2	-0.2	0.6	-0.3
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	3.908	100.8	101.0	1.8	0.4	-0.1	0.1	0.2
94	Furniture & stuffed furnishings; lamps & lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg.....	2.224	104.4	104.6	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	1.468	95.7	95.8	1.5	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.1
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.215	106.6	106.9	4.9	4.2	0.1	0.2	0.3

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005 trade values.

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

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Table 6 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
April 2006-April 2007 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance March 2007 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2007	April 2007	Annual	Monthly			
					April 2006 to April 2007	Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.546	147.1	149.5	24.6	2.5	5.2	3.2	1.6
02	Meat & edible meat offal (Dec. 2006=100).....	0.779	113.6	115.6	n.a.	4.4	4.8	3.8	1.8
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.420	123.7	130.4	7.8	-0.4	2.1	2.1	5.4
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	4.235	160.6	156.0	25.2	-0.5	2.8	3.0	-2.9
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.636	112.4	124.6	11.7	0.0	0.9	-1.2	10.9
10	Cereals.....	1.926	183.8	165.4	28.0	-4.5	6.1	3.7	-10.0
12	Oilseeds and misc. grains, seeds, fruits, plants, straw and fodder.....	1.061	146.8	148.5	27.9	-1.0	7.7	1.3	1.2
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.305	120.0	120.2	7.2	1.8	0.8	0.4	0.2
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations.....	0.421	110.3	110.2	2.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	-0.1
23	Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal feed.....	0.491	143.4	142.7	13.1	1.1	1.5	0.1	-0.5
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	4.219	229.7	237.9	2.0	-5.1	3.4	3.3	3.6
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	3.494	215.9	227.3	5.9	-5.3	6.0	3.6	5.3
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	11.651	126.8	127.6	6.7	1.1	0.3	1.0	0.6
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	1.168	157.5	160.6	8.3	-0.9	2.7	2.3	2.0
29	Organic chemicals.....	3.713	141.7	143.0	9.7	-0.1	0.1	2.8	0.9
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.487	112.5	112.0	3.7	1.5	-0.1	-0.4	-0.4
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts, dyes, paints, varnish, putty, & inks.....	0.597	113.7	113.5	3.9	0.7	-0.3	0.5	-0.2
33	Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet.....	0.683	116.4	116.5	2.6	1.0	0.2	-0.1	0.1
34	Soap; lubricants; waxes, polishing or scouring products; candles, pastes.....	0.404	109.7	110.1	1.9	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.4
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	1.677	119.0	119.4	8.0	4.4	0.3	0.0	0.3
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	5.405	128.8	129.9	2.9	1.3	0.5	0.1	0.9
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	4.324	124.6	125.6	2.2	1.1	0.6	0.0	0.8
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	1.081	146.5	148.3	6.2	1.9	0.6	0.4	1.2
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.492	125.5	124.8	7.3	0.9	1.0	0.1	-0.6
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	0.729	111.9	112.2	5.3	0.0	2.0	0.3	0.3
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	2.690	109.8	109.6	5.4	0.7	1.6	0.0	-0.2
47	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.680	114.7	112.0	17.9	2.8	5.9	-0.3	-2.4
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.446	107.5	108.3	3.8	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.7
49	Printed material.....	0.564	113.3	113.4	-2.5	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.1
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	2.453	102.5	102.2	0.8	0.4	-0.2	0.2	-0.3
52	Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof.....	0.666	94.5	93.7	-0.3	0.4	-1.1	0.7	-0.8

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Table 6 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
April 2006-April 2007 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			March 2007	April 2007	Annual April 2006 to April 2007	Monthly			
						Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.801	107.5	108.0	4.8	0.8	1.3	-0.2	0.5
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.429	95.9	95.9	1.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	3.791	171.9	171.2	33.3	7.8	5.6	2.9	-0.4
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS.....	5.950	162.7	165.8	14.2	-0.6	0.8	2.4	1.9
72	Iron and steel.....	1.496	191.6	202.5	21.7	-1.3	2.6	5.0	5.7
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.431	144.5	144.6	8.0	1.1	1.6	1.4	0.1
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.660	232.8	243.5	17.2	-6.9	-1.4	3.0	4.6
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	1.053	148.3	148.4	12.8	-0.1	-0.3	0.2	0.1
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.406	113.9	114.6	3.9	1.2	0.2	0.0	0.6
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.403	125.7	125.8	2.9	0.0	0.7	0.2	0.1
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC..	31.911	93.8	93.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	18.326	102.3	101.9	0.6	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.4
85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts and accessories thereof.....	13.585	84.4	84.8	-0.8	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.5
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	13.814	113.3	113.3	1.8	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	8.913	105.4	105.5	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	6.232	103.4	103.4	1.4	1.1	-0.4	0.1	0.0
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	1.434	102.7	104.6	3.7	1.2	-0.1	0.2	1.9
94	Furniture; stuffed furnishings; lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;.....	0.802	112.9	113.3	6.0	1.4	-0.1	0.4	0.4
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	0.471	86.1	89.5	-4.9	-3.8	-0.1	0.1	3.9

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005 trade values.

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Table 7 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes by Locality of Origin
April 2006-April 2007 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Percentage of U.S. Imports ^{1/}	Index		Percent Change				
		March 2007	April 2007	Annual	Monthly			
				April 2006 to April 2007	Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
<u>2/</u> Industrialized Countries.....	44.813	117.8	118.5	3.3	-0.1	0.1	1.2	0.6
Nonmanufactured Articles.....	4.582	185.1	189.1	3.6	-8.7	4.6	4.9	2.2
Manufactured Articles.....	39.766	112.4	112.9	3.2	0.9	-0.4	0.7	0.4
<u>3/</u> Other Countries.....	55.204	112.6	114.0	0.3	-1.8	1.2	1.4	1.2
Nonmanufactured Articles.....	11.023	189.7	198.8	-4.7	-6.6	2.9	3.3	4.8
Manufactured Articles.....	43.982	101.8	102.1	1.9	-0.5	0.8	0.8	0.3
Canada.....	17.052	130.1	131.9	3.2	-1.2	0.5	1.3	1.4
Nonmanufactured Articles.....	3.871	187.6	191.4	5.5	-8.3	4.1	5.0	2.0
Manufactured Articles.....	12.851	119.5	120.8	2.3	0.9	-0.5	0.3	1.1
<u>4/</u> European Union.....	17.908	121.1	121.0	3.4	0.8	0.2	0.2	-0.1
Nonmanufactured Articles.....	0.389	192.6	201.4	-11.5	-9.0	6.5	0.0	4.6
Manufactured Articles.....	17.406	119.5	119.3	3.7	0.9	0.1	0.3	-0.2
France (Dec. 2003=100).....	1.888	107.4	107.3	4.5	1.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.1
Germany (Dec. 2003=100).....	5.008	106.5	106.8	4.1	0.7	-0.1	0.4	0.3
United Kingdom (Dec. 2003=100).....	2.845	116.4	117.5	-0.1	-0.5	1.0	0.2	0.9
<u>5/</u> Latin America.....	17.619	136.4	139.1	-0.4	-1.8	0.7	1.2	2.0
Nonmanufactured Articles.....	4.822	196.5	206.6	-4.0	-7.0	4.4	2.7	5.1
Manufactured Articles.....	12.721	126.0	126.8	1.1	0.2	-0.8	0.7	0.6
Mexico (Dec. 2003=100).....	10.163	119.9	122.4	3.7	-0.5	0.7	0.8	2.1
<u>6/</u> Pacific Rim (Dec. 2003=100).....	33.452	98.2	98.1	-0.4	-0.4	0.1	0.0	-0.1
China (Dec. 2003=100).....	14.941	97.4	97.3	-0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.2	-0.1
Japan.....	8.308	93.9	93.9	-0.5	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.0
<u>7/</u> Asian NICs.....	6.124	88.7	88.2	-0.9	-0.6	0.1	0.0	-0.6
<u>8/</u> ASEAN (Dec. 2003=100).....	5.993	96.7	95.8	-1.3	-1.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.9
<u>9/</u> Asia Near East (Dec. 2003=100).....	3.765	171.6	178.0	0.2	-4.0	2.4	3.9	3.7

1 Percentage of trade figures are based on 2005 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, Australia, Brunei, Indonesia, Macao, Malaysia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, and Asia Newly Industrialized Countries (see footnote 7).

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.

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Regions are not mutually exclusive.

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Table 8 U.S. International Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Transportation Services
April 2006-April 2007 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Relative importance	Index		Percent Change				
		March 2007	April 2007	Annual	Monthly			
				April 2006 to April 2007	Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007	March 2007 to April 2007
AIR FREIGHT								
Import Air Freight.....	100.000	130.7	131.6	1.4	0.8	-1.1	-0.1	0.7
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	27.943	129.4	129.6	6.6	2.6	-1.4	0.2	0.2
Asia.....	61.151	113.7	114.7	-2.3	0.2	-1.2	-0.2	0.9
Export Air Freight.....	100.000	117.0	117.5	3.4	1.6	-1.3	0.0	0.4
Europe (Dec. 2006=100).....	39.343	101.2	100.9	n.a.	1.5	-0.3	0.0	-0.3
Inbound Air Freight.....	100.000	126.6	127.1	2.0	0.7	-1.1	0.0	0.4
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	29.846	125.5	125.3	6.5	2.6	-1.3	0.3	-0.2
Asia.....	57.399	109.0	109.7	-1.0	-0.2	-1.2	-0.1	0.6
Outbound Air Freight.....	100.000	112.3	113.1	-0.4	-0.4	-0.8	-0.1	0.7
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	41.817	126.6	127.6	-0.4	-1.0	-0.7	-0.1	0.8
Asia.....	40.659	102.9	103.5	-2.1	-0.3	-0.8	-0.1	0.6
AIR PASSENGER FARES								
Import Air Passenger Fares.....	100.000	122.9	127.2	4.8	-2.1	0.0	0.1	3.5
Europe.....	42.151	118.6	129.0	11.2	0.7	2.8	0.5	8.8
Asia.....	25.101	113.3	115.4	3.7	-9.9	-3.1	0.3	1.9
Latin America/Caribbean.....	13.938	123.7	114.1	1.4	-0.7	0.4	0.0	-7.8
Export Air Passenger Fares.....	100.000	140.2	143.9	9.3	3.2	-1.8	0.8	2.6
Europe.....	30.132	164.8	178.4	11.1	1.7	-1.5	1.4	8.3
Asia.....	30.656	109.7	109.6	3.7	5.5	-3.3	-0.7	-0.1
Latin America/Caribbean.....	22.129	168.0	167.0	13.8	5.4	-0.1	1.1	-0.6
Inbound Air Passenger Fares (Dec. 2003=100).....	100.000	119.5	123.6	9.0	3.1	-3.3	1.1	3.4
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	37.915	117.9	129.1	11.5	0.5	-1.1	1.6	9.5
Asia (Dec. 2003=100).....	29.348	106.8	105.6	3.3	4.8	-6.5	1.5	-1.1
Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100).....	14.362	129.1	126.4	10.5	6.4	-0.5	-1.2	-2.1
Canada (Dec. 2003=100).....	7.979	159.5	159.5	9.5	-2.6	-0.7	0.3	0.0
Outbound Air Passenger Fares (Dec. 2003=100)....	100.000	119.3	123.5	5.9	-0.5	0.6	-0.1	3.5
Europe (Dec. 2003=100).....	38.325	122.8	133.3	10.2	1.0	2.3	0.2	8.6
Asia (Dec. 2003=100).....	22.441	107.1	109.6	3.6	-5.8	-0.6	-0.1	2.3
Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100).....	23.465	114.7	111.8	3.1	0.4	0.4	-0.1	-2.5
Canada (Dec. 2003=100).....	6.845	168.0	165.0	10.7	-0.1	1.4	0.0	-1.8
CRUDE OIL TANKER FREIGHT								
<u>2/</u> Inbound Crude Oil Tanker Freight.....	100.000	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1.0	-4.6	n.a.	n.a.
OCEAN LINER FREIGHT								
Inbound Ocean Liner Freight.....	100.000	112.6	112.8	-10.0	-0.7	-0.2	-0.4	0.2
U.S. East Coast.....	56.002	116.4	116.5	-7.9	-0.3	-1.0	-0.6	0.1
From Atlantic.....	24.290	114.2	115.0	-12.8	-0.3	-1.4	-1.6	0.7
From Pacific.....	23.100	121.5	120.9	-1.2	0.1	-1.1	0.1	-0.5
U.S. West Coast.....	43.998	111.3	111.4	-11.0	-1.3	0.8	0.2	0.1

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005 trade values.

2 Publication of the Crude Oil Tanker Freight Indexes is lagged two months, as are the relative importance figures.

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

n.a. Not available

Table 9 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Travel and Tourism Services
 March 2006-March 2007 December 2006=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Relative importance February 2007 1/	Index		Percent Change				
		February 2007	March 2007	Annual	Monthly			
				March 2006 to March 2007	Nov. 2006 to Dec. 2006	Dec. 2006 to Jan. 2007	Jan. 2007 to Feb. 2007	Feb. 2007 to March 2007
Export Travel and Tourism.....	100.000	102.8	105.1	n.a.	n.a.	0.4	2.4	2.2
From Europe.....	39.705	103.6	105.8	n.a.	n.a.	0.6	3.0	2.1
From Asia.....	31.456	100.4	103.3	n.a.	n.a.	-1.1	1.5	2.9
From Latin America/Caribbean.....	15.612	104.5	106.1	n.a.	n.a.	1.5	3.0	1.5
From Canada.....	8.874	105.2	106.9	n.a.	n.a.	2.9	2.2	1.6

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005 trade values.

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

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TECHNICAL NOTE

Import and Export Merchandise and Services Price Indexes -- All indexes use a modified Laspeyres formula and are not seasonally adjusted. Price indexes for merchandise goods are reweighted annually, with a two-year lag in the weights. Published series use a base year of 2000=100 where possible. More detailed index series and additional information may be obtained at <http://www.bls.gov/mxp>, or by calling (202) 691-7101.

Merchandise Goods Classification Systems -- The merchandise price indexes are published using three classification systems. Items are classified, respectively, by end use for the Bureau of Economic Analysis System, industry for the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), and product category for the Harmonized System (HS). While classification by end use and product category are self-explanatory, a couple of notes are in order for classifying items by industry. In the NAICS tables, for both imports and exports, items are classified by output industry, not input industry. As an example, NAICS import index 326 (plastics and rubber products) would include outputs such as manufactured plastic rather than inputs such as petroleum. The NAICS classification structure also matches the classification system used by the PPI to produce the NAICS primary products indexes.

Import Price Indexes -- Products have been classified by the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States Annotated (TSUSA). Import prices are based on U.S. dollar prices paid by the U.S. importer. The prices are generally either "free on board" (f.o.b.) foreign port or "cost, insurance, and freight" (c.i.f.) U.S. port transaction prices, depending on the practices of the individual industry. The index for crude petroleum is calculated from data collected by the U.S. Department of Energy.

Export Price Indexes -- Products have been classified by the Harmonized Schedule B classification system of the U.S. Bureau of the Census. The prices used are generally either "free alongside ship" (f.a.s.) factory or "free on board" (f.o.b.) transaction prices, depending on the practices of the individual industry. Prices used in the grain index, excluding rice, are obtained from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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