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

The U.S. Import Price Index increased 1.0 percent in September, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today, following a 0.3 percent drop in August. The September rise was led by a 5.4 percent increase in petroleum prices. Export prices also advanced in September, rising 0.3 percent after a 0.2 percent increase in August.

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> | | | | | | |
| 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 | -6.6 | -0.1 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| February | 0.4 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 2.8 | 0.6 |
| March | 1.6 | 8.5 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 2.1 | 0.6 |
| April | 1.4 | 6.8 | 0.3 | 0.4 | -1.4 | 0.5 |
| May | 0.9 | 2.7 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.4 |
| June | 1.2 r | 4.8 r | 0.3 | 0.4 | 2.7 | 0.2 |
| July | 1.2 r | 6.0 r | 0.1 | 0.1 r | 1.6 r | -0.1 r |
| August | -0.3 | -1.1 r | -0.1 | 0.2 | 1.1 r | 0.1 |
| September | 1.0 | 5.4 | -0.2 | 0.3 | 4.1 | 0.0 |
| September 2005-06 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 3.9 | 4.6 | 3.8 |
| September 2006-07 | 5.2 | 20.1 | 2.0 | 4.5 | 23.3 | 2.9 |

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

Import Goods

Import prices resumed an upward trend in September, rising 1.0 percent for the month and 5.2 percent over the past 12 months. Higher prices for import petroleum accounted for the increase, rising 5.4 percent in September after dipping 1.1 percent in August. Since January, petroleum prices have jumped 40.3 percent. In contrast, nonpetroleum import prices edged down 0.2 percent in September, following a 0.1 percent drop in August. For the year ended in September, nonpetroleum import prices rose 2.0 percent.

The September downturn in nonpetroleum prices was driven by a 1.4 percent decline in nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials prices. Lower prices for metals and natural gas were the primary contributors to the decrease. Despite the September drop, the price index for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials prices rose 3.6 percent over the past 12 months.

The price index for foods, feeds, and beverages rose 1.2 percent in September. The increase continued an upward trend over the past 15 months and was led by higher fruit prices. Foods, feeds, and beverages prices were up 8.9 percent for the year ended in September.

The price indexes for automotive vehicles and consumer goods each rose 0.2 percent in September. The increase in automotive vehicle prices followed a 0.2 percent advance in August and was led by an increase in prices for passenger cars. Consumer goods prices rose 0.2 percent for the third consecutive month. In September, higher prices for cotton apparel and household goods contributed to the advance.

Import prices for capital goods were unchanged in September, following a 0.2 percent increase in August.

Export Goods

Prices for overall exports continued an upward trend in September, rising 0.3 percent after a 0.2 percent advance in August. The increase was driven by a 4.1 percent rise in agricultural prices as nonagricultural prices were unchanged. The rise in agricultural prices was the largest one-month increase this year and followed advances of 1.1 percent in August and 1.6 percent in July. Higher prices for wheat, soybeans, and corn accounted for most of the September increase. Agricultural prices rose 23.3 percent over the past year. Nonagricultural prices continued to register little movement, recording no change in September after a 0.1 percent rise in August and a 0.1 percent decline in July. The price index for nonagricultural goods advanced 2.9 percent for the year ended in September, while overall export prices rose 4.5 percent for the same period.

The price indexes for capital goods and automotive vehicles each increased 0.1 percent in September. Capital goods prices and prices for automotive vehicles advanced 1.4 percent and 1.0 percent, respectively, for the year ended in September. Consumer goods prices were unchanged in September and up 2.1 percent over the past year.

In contrast, prices for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials declined in September, falling 0.2 percent. That decrease followed a 0.2 percent advance in August and was largely led by lower prices for chemicals and some metals, which more than offset higher prices for fuel and steelmaking materials.

Imports by Locality of Origin

Import prices from China continued a recent upward pattern, rising 0.2 percent in September after a 0.4 percent increase in August. Prices for imports from China advanced 1.6 percent for the year ended in September, with the increase occurring over the past five months as the index was unchanged over the September 2006 to April 2007 period.

Rising fuel prices contributed to the September increases for Mexico, Canada, and the European Union. The price index for imports from Mexico rose 2.8 percent in September and 9.8 percent over the past year, while import prices from Canada and the European Union increased 0.4 percent and 0.2 percent, respectively, in September. Over the past year, the price indexes for imports from Canada and the European Union rose 5.3 percent and 1.4 percent, respectively.

Import prices from Japan also advanced in September, ticking up 0.1 percent. Prices for imports from Japan decreased 0.5 percent over the past 12 months.

Import and Export Services

The price index for export travel and tourism, which is lagged one month, advanced 0.4 percent in August after a 1.3 percent drop in July.

Import air passenger fares decreased 6.4 percent in September after increasing for six consecutive months. The downturn was driven primarily by lower Asian fares. Despite the September drop, the price index for import air passenger fares rose 7.0 percent for the year ended in September. Export air passenger fares also fell in September, decreasing 3.4 percent after a 3.4 percent gain in August. The index rose 8.6 percent over the past 12 months.

The price indexes for import air freight and export air freight each increased in September, rising 0.1 percent and 1.1 percent, respectively. For the year ended in September, import air freight prices advanced 0.8 percent, while export air freight prices rose 1.4 percent.

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 Import and Export Price Index data for October 2007 are scheduled for release on November 9 at 8:30 A.M. (E.S.T.).

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

| END USE | Description | Relative Importance August 2007 1/ | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|---------|--|--|-------------|----------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | | | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| | ALL COMMODITIES..... | 100.000 | 121.1 | 122.3 | 5.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | -0.3 | 1.0 |
| | ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM..... | 80.004 | 107.1 | 106.9 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| | ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100)..... | 77.833 | 110.0 | 109.9 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | -0.1 |
| 0 | FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES..... | 4.376 | 130.1 | 131.7 | 8.9 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 1.2 |
| 00 | Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages..... | 3.338 | 142.1 | 144.1 | 10.5 | 0.3 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 1.4 |
| 01 | Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages)..... | 1.038 | 103.3 | 103.7 | 3.9 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.4 |
| 1 | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS..... | 37.481 | 188.7 | 192.9 | 12.0 | 2.8 | 2.8 | -1.1 | 2.2 |
| | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM..... | 17.486 | 142.0 | 140.0 | 3.6 | 0.8 | -0.6 | -1.3 | -1.4 |
| | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING FUELS (Dec. 2001=100)..... | 15.315 | 151.9 | 150.3 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.2 | -1.1 |
| | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE..... | 10.052 | 148.3 | 145.9 | 4.4 | 1.0 | -0.3 | 0.3 | -1.6 |
| | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM..... | 7.434 | 133.5 | 132.0 | 2.7 | 0.6 | -0.9 | -3.2 | -1.1 |
| 10 | Fuels & lubricants..... | 22.166 | 244.7 | 255.7 | 18.2 | 4.4 | 4.9 | -2.0 | 4.5 |
| 100 | Petroleum & petroleum products..... | 19.995 | 257.5 | 271.4 | 20.1 | 4.8 | 6.0 | -1.1 | 5.4 |
| 10000 | Crude..... | 14.344 | 264.5 | 282.0 | 24.4 | 5.7 | 6.7 | 0.8 | 6.6 |
| 101 | Fuels, n.e.s.-coals & gas..... | 1.649 | 146.7 | 141.4 | -10.7 | -0.4 | -7.2 | -11.5 | -3.6 |
| 10110 | Gas-natural..... | 1.481 | 140.3 | 134.4 | -12.0 | -0.6 | -8.1 | -12.6 | -4.2 |
| 11 | Paper & paper base stocks..... | 0.817 | 110.7 | 110.8 | -2.0 | 0.2 | -0.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 |
| 12 | Materials associated with nondurable supplies & materials..... | 4.526 | 126.4 | 126.5 | 3.9 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| 13 | Selected building materials..... | 1.924 | 116.1 | 116.2 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 3.3 | -0.6 | 0.1 |
| 14 | Unfinished metals related to durable goods..... | 4.722 | 215.3 | 208.8 | 7.4 | 1.2 | -2.1 | 0.1 | -3.0 |
| 15 | Finished metals related to durable goods..... | 1.756 | 136.1 | 133.7 | 4.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1.7 | -1.8 |
| 16 | Nonmetals related to durable goods..... | 1.570 | 102.1 | 102.5 | 1.2 | -0.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| 2 | CAPITAL GOODS..... | 21.346 | 91.8 | 91.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| 20 | Electric generating equipment..... | 2.624 | 106.4 | 106.3 | 3.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.6 | -0.1 |
| 21 | Nonelectrical machinery..... | 17.062 | 87.6 | 87.6 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| 22 | Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100)..... | 1.661 | 113.5 | 113.5 | 4.8 | 0.1 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 3 | AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES..... | 13.607 | 105.0 | 105.2 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 4 | CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES..... | 23.189 | 101.8 | 102.0 | 1.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 40 | Nondurables, manufactured..... | 10.738 | 104.9 | 105.1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 41 | Durables, manufactured..... | 11.295 | 98.4 | 98.5 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 42 | Nonmanufactured consumer goods..... | 1.157 | 103.4 | 103.5 | 3.0 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.1 |

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

| END USE | Description | Relative Importance August 2007 1/ | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|---------|---|--|-------------|----------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | | | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| | ALL COMMODITIES..... | 100.000 | 116.3 | 116.7 | 4.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| | AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES..... | 8.622 | 150.6 | 156.7 | 23.3 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 4.1 |
| | NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES..... | 91.379 | 113.8 | 113.8 | 2.9 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 0 | FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES..... | 7.842 | 151.4 | 157.9 | 22.6 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 4.3 |
| 00 | Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages..... | 7.144 | 153.8 | 160.9 | 24.6 | 2.7 | 0.3 | 1.5 | 4.6 |
| 01 | Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages)..... | 0.698 | 131.7 | 132.4 | 5.1 | -1.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.5 |
| 1 | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS..... | 30.055 | 148.8 | 148.7 | 6.6 | 0.5 | -0.3 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE..... | 11.583 | 156.4 | 155.7 | 6.0 | 0.1 | -3.2 | 0.4 | -0.4 |
| | INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE..... | 18.473 | 145.0 | 145.3 | 7.1 | 0.8 | 1.6 | -0.1 | 0.2 |
| 10 | Agricultural industrial supplies & materials..... | 1.478 | 137.2 | 139.0 | 17.7 | 2.9 | 7.8 | -1.2 | 1.3 |
| | NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS..... | 28.577 | 149.7 | 149.4 | 6.0 | 0.4 | -0.7 | 0.2 | -0.2 |
| 11 | Fuels & lubricants..... | 4.400 | 197.8 | 202.9 | 6.2 | 1.0 | 0.9 | -2.5 | 2.6 |
| 12 | Nonagricultural supplies & materials excluding fuels & building materials..... | 23.065 | 145.7 | 144.7 | 6.2 | 0.3 | -1.0 | 0.8 | -0.7 |
| 13 | Selected building materials..... | 1.112 | 114.1 | 114.3 | 3.9 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| 2 | CAPITAL GOODS..... | 39.194 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 20 | Electrical generating equipment..... | 3.671 | 106.7 | 106.8 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 21 | Nonelectrical machinery..... | 28.389 | 93.1 | 93.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| 22 | Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (Dec. 2001=100)..... | 7.134 | 123.0 | 123.2 | 4.7 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 3 | AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES..... | 10.449 | 106.2 | 106.3 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| 4 | CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES..... | 12.461 | 106.2 | 106.2 | 2.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 40 | Nondurables, manufactured..... | 5.942 | 107.2 | 107.1 | 3.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| 41 | Durables, manufactured..... | 5.446 | 104.1 | 104.2 | 1.1 | -0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 |

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|-------|--|---|----------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | | Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| | Nonmanufactured articles..... | 18.384 | 119.7 | 125.7 | 18.1 | 4.1 | 5.1 | -0.8 | 5.0 |
| 11 | AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS..... | 1.527 | 115.9 | 117.0 | 10.4 | -1.5 | 2.9 | 0.2 | 0.9 |
| 111 | Agricultural products..... | 1.072 | 117.3 | 119.4 | 16.8 | -2.0 | 5.3 | 0.7 | 1.8 |
| 21 | OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND ORES..... | 16.857 | 120.1 | 126.6 | 19.0 | 4.5 | 5.4 | -0.9 | 5.4 |
| 212 | Minerals and ores (Dec. 2006=100)..... | 0.396 | 102.9 | 103.4 | n.a. | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| | Manufactured articles..... | 81.036 | 106.0 | 106.0 | 2.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| 31 | MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 1..... | 10.241 | 104.5 | 105.2 | 4.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.7 |
| 311 | Food and kindred products..... | 2.466 | 113.2 | 114.4 | 11.0 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| 312 | Beverages and tobacco products..... | 0.795 | 103.2 | 103.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| 313 | Textiles and fabrics..... | 0.497 | 107.3 | 107.3 | 3.9 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| 314 | Textile mill products..... | 0.767 | 101.1 | 99.9 | -0.8 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -1.2 |
| 315 | Apparel and accessories..... | 4.255 | 101.3 | 102.2 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.9 |
| 316 | Leather and allied products..... | 1.460 | 102.0 | 102.9 | 2.0 | -0.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.9 |
| 32 | MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 2..... | 17.854 | 109.7 | 110.1 | 6.0 | 1.5 | 1.7 | -1.6 | 0.4 |
| 321 | Wood products..... | 1.237 | 94.9 | 94.7 | -1.4 | 2.8 | 3.7 | -0.8 | -0.2 |
| 322 | Paper..... | 1.332 | 103.9 | 103.9 | -1.4 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| 324 | Petroleum and coal products..... | 4.499 | 115.2 | 117.6 | 10.0 | 3.5 | 2.3 | -5.6 | 2.1 |
| 325 | Chemicals..... | 7.904 | 112.0 | 111.6 | 7.7 | 0.7 | 1.6 | -0.3 | -0.4 |
| 326 | Plastics and rubber products..... | 1.668 | 104.1 | 104.3 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 327 | Nonmetallic mineral products..... | 1.106 | 107.4 | 107.4 | 3.7 | 0.1 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| 33 | MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 3..... | 52.941 | 105.1 | 104.8 | 1.5 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.3 | -0.3 |
| 331 | Primary metals..... | 5.562 | 148.6 | 144.0 | 6.6 | 1.0 | -2.1 | 0.3 | -3.1 |
| 332 | Fabricated metal products, nesoi..... | 2.541 | 109.6 | 109.1 | 4.1 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.6 | -0.5 |
| 333 | Machinery, except electrical..... | 6.635 | 106.2 | 106.3 | 3.8 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| 334 | Computer and electronic products..... | 13.936 | 94.9 | 94.9 | -2.8 | -0.1 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| 335 | Electrical equipment, appliances, and components.... | 3.643 | 107.3 | 107.3 | 4.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| 336 | Transportation equipment..... | 14.361 | 101.7 | 101.9 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 337 | Furniture and fixtures..... | 1.451 | 101.7 | 101.8 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 339 | Miscellaneous manufactured commodities..... | 4.813 | 106.2 | 106.3 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |

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September 2006-September 2007 December 2005=100, unless otherwise noted

| NAICS | Description | Relative Importance August 2007 <u>1/</u> | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|-------|--|---|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | | Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| | Nonmanufactured articles..... | 6.241 | 118.3 | 124.7 | 22.7 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 5.4 |
| 11 | AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS..... | 4.710 | 129.5 | 139.2 | 32.3 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 1.1 | 7.5 |
| 111 | Agricultural products..... | 4.294 | 131.8 | 142.4 | 35.4 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 1.2 | 8.0 |
| 21 | OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND ORES..... | 1.531 | 93.5 | 92.4 | -1.4 | -2.0 | -4.2 | -1.1 | -1.2 |
| 211 | Oil and gas..... | 0.472 | 82.9 | 84.6 | 1.4 | -6.3 | -10.4 | -3.5 | 2.1 |
| 212 | Minerals and ores..... | 1.059 | 99.3 | 96.7 | -1.6 | 0.4 | -1.0 | 0.1 | -2.6 |
| | Manufactured articles..... | 90.910 | 106.3 | 106.3 | 3.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| 31 | MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 1..... | 6.849 | 111.5 | 111.8 | 9.6 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.3 |
| 311 | Food and kindred products..... | 4.292 | 119.6 | 120.4 | 15.4 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.7 |
| 312 | Beverages and tobacco products..... | 0.484 | 102.2 | 102.2 | 2.0 | 0.1 | -0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 313 | Textiles and fabrics..... | 0.960 | 98.5 | 98.4 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| 315 | Apparel and accessories..... | 0.553 | 100.5 | 100.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 32 | MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 2..... | 23.051 | 111.7 | 111.8 | 5.2 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| 321 | Wood products..... | 0.565 | 111.1 | 111.2 | 6.9 | 1.2 | 0.5 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| 322 | Paper..... | 2.120 | 110.8 | 111.0 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| 324 | Petroleum and coal products..... | 2.541 | 122.7 | 128.0 | 11.6 | 2.8 | 2.9 | -4.7 | 4.3 |
| 325 | Chemicals..... | 14.556 | 111.7 | 110.8 | 4.8 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.3 | -0.8 |
| 326 | Plastics and rubber products..... | 2.317 | 105.2 | 105.6 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| 327 | Nonmetallic mineral products..... | 0.846 | 106.3 | 106.2 | 3.5 | -0.4 | 0.7 | -1.0 | -0.1 |
| 33 | MANUFACTURED GOODS, PART 3..... | 61.010 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 331 | Primary metals..... | 4.208 | 125.1 | 123.5 | 2.8 | 0.4 | -1.7 | 0.0 | -1.3 |
| 332 | Fabricated metal products, nesoi..... | 2.804 | 112.6 | 112.8 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 0.2 |
| 333 | Machinery, except electrical..... | 12.184 | 106.0 | 106.0 | 3.5 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| 334 | Computer and electronic products..... | 16.991 | 96.2 | 96.3 | -1.7 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| 335 | Electrical equipment, appliances, and components.... | 3.589 | 104.6 | 105.1 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| 336 | Transportation equipment..... | 16.444 | 104.3 | 104.5 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 339 | Miscellaneous manufactured commodities..... | 4.448 | 104.3 | 104.4 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 |

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September 2006-September 2007 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

| Harmonized System | Description | Relative Importance August 2007 1/ | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|-------------------|--|--|-------------|----------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | | | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| I | LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS..... | 1.193 | 129.2 | 128.6 | 6.2 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 | -0.5 |
| 02 | Meat and edible meat offal..... | 0.311 | 149.0 | 148.0 | 5.4 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | -0.7 |
| 03 | Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates..... | 0.590 | 101.5 | 101.8 | 2.8 | -0.4 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| II | VEGETABLE PRODUCTS..... | 1.182 | 134.5 | 140.0 | 17.2 | -0.2 | 3.4 | 0.6 | 4.1 |
| 07 | Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers..... | 0.340 | 203.2 | 198.6 | 22.8 | -7.4 | 15.7 | 0.1 | -2.3 |
| 08 | Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons..... | 0.334 | 89.4 | 100.9 | 15.1 | 2.5 | -3.3 | 1.7 | 12.9 |
| 09 | Coffee, tea, mate and spices..... | 0.244 | 144.4 | 146.8 | 15.2 | 5.3 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 1.7 |
| IV | PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO..... | 2.041 | 125.3 | 126.0 | 5.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| 20 | Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants..... | 0.260 | 121.9 | 128.1 | 8.9 | 0.8 | -0.6 | -0.4 | 5.1 |
| 22 | Beverages, spirits, and vinegar..... | 0.767 | 111.4 | 111.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -0.6 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| V | MINERAL PRODUCTS..... | 21.792 | 240.5 | 251.8 | 17.1 | 4.3 | 4.7 | -1.8 | 4.7 |
| 27 | Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax..... | 21.401 | 240.2 | 251.7 | 17.2 | 4.3 | 4.7 | -1.8 | 4.8 |
| VI | PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES..... | 7.145 | 124.8 | 124.3 | 7.6 | 0.3 | 1.3 | -0.5 | -0.4 |
| 28 | Inorganic chemicals..... | 0.995 | 227.0 | 220.7 | 38.0 | 2.4 | 5.8 | -3.2 | -2.8 |
| 29 | Organic chemicals..... | 2.470 | 119.0 | 118.2 | 0.2 | -1.6 | -0.7 | -0.5 | -0.7 |
| 30 | Pharmaceutical products..... | 1.974 | 109.1 | 109.2 | 3.1 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.1 |
| 32 | Tanning & dyeing extracts; dye & pigments; varnish & paints; putty..... | 0.175 | 103.1 | 103.3 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.2 |
| 33 | Essential oils and resinoids (Dec. 2001=100)..... | 0.407 | 114.1 | 114.3 | 4.6 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| 38 | Miscellaneous chemical products..... | 0.423 | 98.2 | 97.9 | 3.4 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.2 | -0.3 |
| VII | PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF..... | 2.894 | 122.7 | 122.9 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 39 | Plastics and articles thereof..... | 1.878 | 120.0 | 120.3 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 1.1 | -0.1 | 0.2 |
| 40 | Rubber and articles thereof..... | 1.016 | 128.0 | 128.1 | 0.9 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 |
| VIII | RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC..... | 0.591 | 108.0 | 110.3 | 4.4 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 2.1 |
| 42 | Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials..... | 0.514 | 108.2 | 110.9 | 4.8 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 2.5 |
| IX | WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK..... | 1.303 | 116.6 | 116.3 | -1.8 | 2.4 | 3.6 | -0.9 | -0.3 |
| X | WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS..... | 1.520 | 108.4 | 108.5 | -1.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| 48 | Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard..... | 1.032 | 103.8 | 103.7 | -3.0 | -0.1 | -0.1 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| 49 | Printed matter..... | 0.272 | 116.3 | 117.1 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| XI | TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES..... | 5.333 | 102.4 | 102.8 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| 61 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted..... | 1.898 | 100.6 | 100.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| 62 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted..... | 2.155 | 101.5 | 103.1 | 3.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 1.6 |
| 63 | Made-up or worn textile articles..... | 0.517 | 94.1 | 92.0 | -2.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -2.2 |
| XII | HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC..... | 1.218 | 102.0 | 101.9 | 1.2 | -0.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| 64 | Footwear and parts of such articles..... | 1.028 | 101.8 | 101.7 | 0.5 | -0.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | -0.1 |

See footnotes at end of table

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

| Harmonized System | Description | Relative Importance | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|-------------------|---|---------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | | Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| XIII | STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC..... | 0.959 | 111.8 | 111.7 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.3 | -0.1 |
| 68 | Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (Dec. 2001=100)..... | 0.333 | 103.9 | 103.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | -0.6 |
| 69 | Ceramic products..... | 0.305 | 118.8 | 119.6 | 5.5 | -0.1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| 70 | Glass and glassware..... | 0.320 | 111.8 | 111.8 | 2.0 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| XIV | PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS..... | 2.794 | 132.5 | 132.0 | 5.1 | -0.4 | -0.3 | 0.1 | -0.4 |
| XV | BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL..... | 6.668 | 174.3 | 169.9 | 4.8 | 1.3 | -1.4 | 0.1 | -2.5 |
| 72 | Iron and steel..... | 1.590 | 209.5 | 205.9 | 9.6 | 3.2 | 1.6 | 0.0 | -1.7 |
| 73 | Articles of iron or steel..... | 1.459 | 130.6 | 129.4 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | -0.9 |
| 74 | Copper and articles thereof..... | 0.944 | 316.5 | 302.0 | -1.5 | 0.5 | -1.8 | 4.8 | -4.6 |
| 76 | Aluminum and articles thereof..... | 1.092 | 145.4 | 141.9 | 1.7 | -0.7 | -2.2 | 1.3 | -2.4 |
| 82 | Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof..... | 0.349 | 108.2 | 108.3 | 1.1 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| 83 | Miscellaneous articles of base metal..... | 0.471 | 125.6 | 125.9 | 3.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| XVI | MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE & SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC..... | 23.990 | 88.3 | 88.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| 84 | Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof | 12.413 | 88.9 | 88.9 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| 85 | Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders & reproducers, parts..... | 11.577 | 87.7 | 87.7 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| XVII | VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT..... | 12.462 | 106.2 | 106.4 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 87 | Motor vehicles and their parts..... | 11.504 | 105.4 | 105.6 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 88 | Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof (Dec. 2002=100)..... | 0.848 | 109.2 | 109.3 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| XVIII | OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES..... | 2.927 | 99.4 | 99.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 | -0.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| 90 | Optical, photographic, measuring and medical instruments..... | 2.598 | 97.6 | 97.8 | -0.3 | 0.3 | -0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| 91 | Clocks and watches and parts thereof..... | 0.241 | 116.5 | 116.5 | 4.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| XX | MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES..... | 3.764 | 101.5 | 101.6 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 94 | Furniture & stuffed furnishings; lamps & lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg..... | 2.138 | 104.9 | 105.0 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 95 | Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof..... | 1.417 | 96.6 | 96.7 | 1.9 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 96 | Miscellaneous manufactured articles..... | 0.208 | 107.6 | 107.7 | 5.9 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 |

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
n.a. Not available

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

| Harmonized System | Description | Relative Importance August 2007 1/ | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|-------------------|---|--|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | | Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| I | LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS..... | 1.653 | 159.5 | 161.1 | 19.4 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.0 |
| 02 | Meat & edible meat offal (Dec. 2006=100)..... | 0.877 | 129.9 | 131.3 | n.a. | 4.6 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 1.1 |
| 03 | Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates..... | 0.430 | 128.6 | 129.7 | 4.6 | -1.3 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 0.9 |
| II | VEGETABLE PRODUCTS..... | 4.297 | 165.3 | 178.3 | 33.2 | 3.0 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 7.9 |
| 08 | Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons..... | 0.666 | 119.5 | 122.1 | 3.0 | -2.3 | -2.1 | 3.9 | 2.2 |
| 10 | Cereals..... | 1.856 | 179.7 | 201.2 | 42.8 | 2.8 | -2.5 | 2.9 | 12.0 |
| 12 | Oilseeds and misc. grains, seeds, fruits, plants, straw and fodder..... | 1.182 | 166.0 | 174.6 | 47.2 | 9.5 | 6.3 | -0.8 | 5.2 |
| IV | PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO..... | 2.297 | 121.4 | 122.4 | 7.6 | 0.0 | -0.2 | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| 21 | Miscellaneous edible preparations..... | 0.436 | 115.9 | 115.8 | 6.5 | -0.6 | 0.7 | 3.9 | -0.1 |
| 23 | Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal feed..... | 0.487 | 144.5 | 150.4 | 18.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 4.1 |
| V | MINERAL PRODUCTS..... | 4.305 | 237.7 | 242.5 | 8.5 | 0.7 | 0.5 | -2.9 | 2.0 |
| 27 | Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax..... | 3.573 | 224.1 | 231.3 | 9.9 | 0.9 | 0.7 | -3.4 | 3.2 |
| VI | PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES..... | 12.055 | 133.1 | 131.6 | 5.2 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 1.2 | -1.1 |
| 28 | Inorganic chemicals..... | 1.216 | 165.9 | 170.6 | 7.4 | 2.4 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 2.8 |
| 29 | Organic chemicals..... | 3.879 | 149.7 | 143.6 | 0.6 | 0.5 | -0.3 | 2.3 | -4.1 |
| 30 | Pharmaceutical products..... | 2.509 | 114.8 | 114.7 | 4.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| 32 | Tanning or dyeing extracts, dyes, paints, varnish, putty, & inks..... | 0.594 | 114.4 | 114.2 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | -1.6 | -0.2 |
| 33 | Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet..... | 0.684 | 117.9 | 117.8 | 3.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | -0.1 |
| 34 | Soap; lubricants; waxes, polishing or scouring products; candles, pastes..... | 0.424 | 116.6 | 115.9 | 7.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 4.2 | -0.6 |
| 38 | Miscellaneous chemical products..... | 1.667 | 119.6 | 119.8 | 6.7 | 0.3 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.2 |
| VII | PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF..... | 5.496 | 132.8 | 133.1 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.2 |
| 39 | Plastics and articles thereof..... | 4.403 | 128.7 | 129.1 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.3 |
| 40 | Rubber and articles thereof..... | 1.093 | 150.3 | 149.7 | 5.3 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.3 | -0.4 |
| VIII | RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC..... | 0.460 | 119.1 | 119.1 | 1.0 | -1.0 | -2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| IX | WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK..... | 0.720 | 112.2 | 112.9 | 4.2 | 0.5 | -0.4 | -0.8 | 0.6 |
| X | WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS..... | 2.706 | 112.1 | 112.6 | 5.0 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| 47 | Woodpulp and recovered paper..... | 0.677 | 115.8 | 117.5 | 15.6 | 2.2 | 2.7 | 0.1 | 1.5 |
| 48 | Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard..... | 1.447 | 109.2 | 109.5 | 2.6 | -0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| 49 | Printed material..... | 0.582 | 118.5 | 118.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.3 | -0.2 |
| XI | TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES..... | 2.450 | 103.9 | 104.6 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 2.2 | -0.2 | 0.7 |
| 52 | Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof..... | 0.682 | 98.1 | 101.0 | 9.3 | 2.6 | 7.7 | -1.4 | 3.0 |

See footnotes at end of table

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

| Harmonized System | Description | Relative Importance August 2007 <u>1/</u> | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|-------------------|---|---|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | | Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| XIII | STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC..... | 0.810 | 110.3 | 110.3 | 6.0 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 70 | Glass and glassware..... | 0.438 | 99.2 | 99.1 | 3.8 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| XIV | PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS..... | 3.408 | 156.8 | 156.9 | 13.6 | -0.2 | -6.0 | 2.5 | 0.1 |
| XV | BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS..... | 5.932 | 164.6 | 162.9 | 3.3 | 0.4 | -1.9 | -0.8 | -1.0 |
| 72 | Iron and steel..... | 1.495 | 194.4 | 197.3 | 7.6 | 1.7 | -4.6 | -2.6 | 1.5 |
| 73 | Articles of iron or steel..... | 1.440 | 147.6 | 147.9 | 7.1 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.4 | 0.2 |
| 74 | Copper and articles thereof..... | 0.694 | 248.5 | 240.2 | -4.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 1.5 | -3.3 |
| 76 | Aluminum and articles thereof..... | 1.032 | 147.5 | 141.0 | 0.9 | -0.8 | -1.9 | 0.6 | -4.4 |
| 82 | Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof..... | 0.405 | 115.1 | 115.1 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 83 | Miscellaneous articles of base metal..... | 0.405 | 128.0 | 128.1 | 2.9 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| XVI | MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC.. | 31.657 | 94.4 | 94.5 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| 84 | Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof | 18.161 | 102.9 | 102.9 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 85 | Electrical machinery and equipment and parts and accessories thereof..... | 13.496 | 85.1 | 85.3 | 0.8 | -0.1 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.2 |
| XVII | VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT..... | 13.713 | 114.1 | 114.3 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 87 | Motor vehicles and their parts..... | 8.808 | 105.7 | 105.8 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| XVIII | OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES..... | 6.171 | 103.9 | 103.9 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| XX | MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES..... | 1.450 | 105.4 | 105.4 | 3.6 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| 94 | Furniture; stuffed furnishings; lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;..... | 0.794 | 113.6 | 113.2 | 5.3 | -0.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | -0.4 |
| 95 | Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof..... | 0.491 | 91.1 | 91.5 | -3.9 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.4 |

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
n.a. Not available

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

| Description | Percentage of U.S. Imports ^{1/} | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|---|--|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| <u>2/</u> Industrialized Countries..... | 44.813 | 120.7 | 121.1 | 3.5 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Nonmanufactured articles..... | 4.582 | 200.3 | 207.1 | 12.7 | 2.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 3.4 |
| Manufactured articles..... | 39.766 | 114.5 | 114.4 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -0.1 |
| <u>3/</u> Other Countries..... | 55.187 | 120.3 | 121.7 | 6.8 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 1.2 |
| Nonmanufactured articles..... | 11.023 | 236.8 | 249.7 | 22.0 | 4.7 | 7.1 | 0.2 | 5.4 |
| Manufactured articles..... | 43.965 | 103.8 | 103.6 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | -0.2 |
| Canada..... | 17.052 | 136.1 | 136.6 | 5.3 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Nonmanufactured articles..... | 3.871 | 193.7 | 197.4 | 7.8 | 1.0 | -0.4 | -0.7 | 1.9 |
| Manufactured articles..... | 12.851 | 125.4 | 125.4 | 4.6 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 |
| <u>4/</u> European Union..... | 17.908 | 122.0 | 122.2 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.2 |
| Nonmanufactured articles..... | 0.389 | 252.9 | 269.9 | 22.7 | 6.0 | 7.9 | -0.1 | 6.7 |
| Manufactured articles..... | 17.406 | 119.6 | 119.7 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| France (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 1.888 | 109.6 | 109.7 | 5.4 | -1.5 | 1.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| Germany (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 5.008 | 108.5 | 108.5 | 3.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| United Kingdom (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 2.845 | 121.7 | 122.9 | 3.3 | 0.8 | 1.6 | -0.6 | 1.0 |
| <u>5/</u> Latin America..... | 17.619 | 150.0 | 152.1 | 8.5 | 1.5 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 1.4 |
| Nonmanufactured articles..... | 4.822 | 244.8 | 256.8 | 24.8 | 4.2 | 8.6 | 0.2 | 4.9 |
| Manufactured articles..... | 12.721 | 131.0 | 130.6 | 1.7 | 0.4 | -0.2 | -0.1 | -0.3 |
| Mexico (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 10.163 | 129.2 | 132.8 | 9.8 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 2.8 |
| <u>6/</u> Pacific Rim (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 33.452 | 99.1 | 99.4 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| China (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 14.941 | 98.8 | 99.0 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| Japan..... | 8.308 | 93.8 | 93.9 | -0.5 | 0.1 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| <u>7/</u> Asian NICs..... | 6.124 | 88.8 | 88.9 | -0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| <u>8/</u> ASEAN (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 5.993 | 97.1 | 97.3 | -1.7 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| <u>9/</u> Asia Near East (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 3.765 | 201.8 | 211.4 | 19.4 | 3.3 | 5.3 | 0.6 | 4.8 |

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 Asian Newly Industrialized Countries.

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

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

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

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

Regions are not mutually exclusive.

n.a. Not available

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

| Description | Relative Importance | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | August 2007 | September 2007 | Annual | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | Sept. 2006 to Sept. 2007 | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 | Aug. 2007 to Sept. 2007 |
| AIR FREIGHT | | | | | | | | |
| Import Air Freight..... | 100.000 | 134.0 | 134.2 | 0.8 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.1 |
| Europe (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 28.479 | 135.2 | 134.5 | 2.0 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 2.4 | -0.5 |
| Asia..... | 60.629 | 115.6 | 116.3 | 0.7 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Export Air Freight..... | 100.000 | 118.2 | 119.5 | 1.4 | -0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 1.1 |
| Europe (Dec. 2006=100)..... | 39.171 | 101.8 | 102.1 | n.a. | -0.5 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.3 |
| Inbound Air Freight..... | 100.000 | 129.2 | 129.4 | 0.4 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.2 |
| Europe (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 30.309 | 130.1 | 129.3 | 1.9 | -0.1 | -0.2 | 2.4 | -0.6 |
| Asia..... | 56.771 | 110.1 | 110.8 | -0.1 | -0.4 | -0.1 | 1.2 | 0.6 |
| Outbound Air Freight..... | 100.000 | 116.2 | 116.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| Europe (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 41.941 | 131.4 | 131.3 | -1.0 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | -0.1 |
| Asia..... | 40.478 | 105.9 | 105.7 | -1.6 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 1.2 | -0.2 |
| AIR PASSENGER FARES | | | | | | | | |
| Import Air Passenger Fares..... | 100.000 | 149.6 | 140.1 | 7.0 | 13.4 | 3.3 | 0.1 | -6.4 |
| Europe..... | 45.404 | 155.6 | 152.0 | 18.8 | 17.9 | 0.3 | 0.8 | -2.3 |
| Asia..... | 25.546 | 140.4 | 118.7 | 5.1 | 16.7 | 5.8 | -2.0 | -15.5 |
| Latin America/Caribbean..... | 11.421 | 123.4 | 120.9 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 5.6 | 0.7 | -2.0 |
| Export Air Passenger Fares..... | 100.000 | 160.1 | 154.6 | 8.6 | -1.5 | 5.1 | 3.4 | -3.4 |
| Europe..... | 32.416 | 202.5 | 187.6 | 7.3 | -0.4 | 9.3 | 2.9 | -7.4 |
| Asia..... | 32.357 | 132.3 | 126.7 | 10.8 | -4.3 | 2.7 | 10.4 | -4.2 |
| Latin America/Caribbean..... | 18.933 | 164.2 | 168.6 | 10.0 | -0.1 | 3.5 | -3.2 | 2.7 |
| Inbound Air Passenger Fares (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 100.000 | 142.0 | 134.1 | 8.2 | -0.9 | 7.7 | 3.6 | -5.6 |
| Europe (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 40.932 | 151.3 | 135.1 | 6.7 | 0.2 | 12.1 | 3.1 | -10.7 |
| Asia (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 29.802 | 128.8 | 123.9 | 9.7 | -3.9 | 3.2 | 10.8 | -3.8 |
| Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 11.826 | 126.3 | 128.9 | 6.6 | 0.2 | 4.9 | -3.2 | 2.1 |
| Canada (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 7.511 | 178.4 | 180.7 | 11.0 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.3 |
| Outbound Air Passenger Fares (Dec. 2003=100).... | 100.000 | 141.0 | 134.2 | 6.2 | 10.1 | 2.5 | 0.5 | -4.8 |
| Europe (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 42.128 | 159.5 | 154.6 | 14.5 | 16.7 | 0.6 | 0.8 | -3.1 |
| Asia (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 23.210 | 130.9 | 116.4 | 3.7 | 11.2 | 4.7 | -0.3 | -11.1 |
| Latin America/Caribbean (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 19.771 | 114.2 | 113.6 | 1.1 | -0.2 | 1.8 | 0.5 | -0.5 |
| Canada (Dec. 2003=100)..... | 6.117 | 177.4 | 173.3 | 5.7 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 5.3 | -2.3 |
| CRUDE OIL TANKER FREIGHT | | | | | | | | |
| ^{2/} Inbound Crude Oil Tanker Freight..... | 100.000 | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | -3.2 | 4.0 | n.a. | n.a. |
| OCEAN LINER FREIGHT | | | | | | | | |
| Inbound Ocean Liner Freight..... | 100.000 | 112.3 | 112.3 | -1.7 | -0.5 | 0.0 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| U.S. East Coast..... | 56.516 | 117.1 | 117.1 | -1.7 | 0.1 | -0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| From Atlantic..... | 24.509 | 114.9 | 114.9 | -4.6 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| From Pacific..... | 23.355 | 122.4 | 122.5 | 1.1 | 0.1 | -0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| U.S. West Coast..... | 43.484 | 109.7 | 109.7 | -1.7 | -1.3 | 0.3 | -0.5 | 0.0 |

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
August 2006-August 2007 December 2006=100, unless otherwise noted

| Description | Relative Importance | Index | | Percent Change | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|-------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | | July 2007 | August 2007 | Annual | Monthly | | | |
| | | | | Aug. 2006 to Aug. 2007 | April 2007 to May 2007 | May 2007 to June 2007 | June 2007 to July 2007 | July 2007 to Aug. 2007 |
| Export Travel and Tourism..... | 100.000 | 103.7 | 104.1 | n.a. | 0.0 | -0.2 | -1.3 | 0.4 |
| From Europe..... | 39.554 | 104.1 | 104.6 | n.a. | -0.3 | -0.6 | -1.3 | 0.5 |
| From Asia..... | 31.950 | 102.9 | 103.1 | n.a. | 0.7 | 0.8 | -1.8 | 0.2 |
| From Latin America/Caribbean..... | 15.357 | 103.7 | 103.9 | n.a. | -0.5 | -0.2 | -1.1 | 0.2 |
| From Canada..... | 8.763 | 104.8 | 104.9 | n.a. | -1.8 | -0.9 | -0.1 | 0.1 |

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
n.a. Not available

Table 10 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Postsecondary Education Services
Academic Year 2001/02 to 2006/07 Academic Year 2001/02 = 100, unless otherwise noted

| Description | Relative Importance | Index | | Annual Percent Change | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | | Academic Year | | Academic Years | | | | |
| | | Academic Year 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2001/02 to 2002/03 | 2002/03 to 2003/04 | 2003/04 to 2004/05 | 2004/05 to 2005/06 | 2005/06 to 2006/07 |
| EXPORT POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION | | | | | | | | |
| Tuition & Fees and Room & Board..... | 100.000 | 128.8 | 135.1 | 6.5 | 7.5 | 7.0 | 5.1 | 4.9 |
| Graduate..... | 53.006 | 128.5 | 134.6 | 6.4 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 5.1 | 4.7 |
| Undergraduate..... | 46.994 | 129.0 | 135.7 | 6.6 | 7.7 | 6.8 | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| Private..... | 47.874 | 123.0 | 129.4 | 5.2 | 5.7 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| Public..... | 52.126 | 134.2 | 140.5 | 7.8 | 9.2 | 8.6 | 5.0 | 4.7 |
| Tuition & Fees..... | 73.181 | 131.6 | 138.2 | 7.1 | 8.4 | 7.8 | 5.2 | 5.0 |
| Graduate Tuition & Fees..... | 38.417 | 131.4 | 137.7 | 7.0 | 8.3 | 7.8 | 5.2 | 4.8 |
| Undergraduate Tuition & Fees..... | 34.764 | 131.7 | 138.8 | 7.2 | 8.6 | 7.6 | 5.2 | 5.4 |
| Private Tuition & Fees..... | 35.497 | 124.3 | 131.2 | 5.6 | 6.1 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.6 |
| Public Tuition & Fees..... | 37.686 | 138.7 | 145.1 | 8.7 | 10.7 | 9.8 | 5.0 | 4.6 |
| Room & Board..... | 26.819 | 121.5 | 127.1 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.6 |
| Graduate Room & Board..... | 14.589 | 121.3 | 127.1 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 4.8 |
| Undergraduate Room & Board..... | 12.230 | 121.7 | 127.2 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 4.5 |
| Private Room & Board..... | 12.377 | 119.1 | 124.3 | 4.2 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| Public Room & Board..... | 14.440 | 123.6 | 129.5 | 5.7 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 4.8 |

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2005/06 academic year trade values.

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.

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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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