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

The U.S. Import Price Index rose 1.5 percent in October, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. An 11.7 percent increase in import petroleum prices last month more than offset a 0.2 percent decline in the price index for nonpetroleum imports. Export prices were up 0.7 percent in October, following a 0.4 percent rise in September.

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

Month	IMPORTS			EXPORTS		
	All Imports	Petroleum Imports	Non-petroleum Imports	All Exports	Agricultural Exports	Nonagricultural Exports
<u>2003</u>						
October	0.1	1.6	-0.1	0.2	2.4	0.1
November	0.5	2.1	0.2	0.5	4.0	0.1
December	0.7	5.1	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3
<u>2004</u>						
January	1.5	7.3	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7
February	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.7	1.5	0.6
March	0.8	5.1	0.2	0.8	3.5	0.5
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 r	0.0	0.5	-1.0 r	0.7
August	1.4	8.7 r	0.3	-0.5	-8.4 r	0.4
September	0.5 r	2.8 r	0.0 r	0.4	1.7 r	0.2
October	1.5	11.7	-0.2	0.7	-1.3	1.0
October 2002-03	0.8	1.9	0.8	1.3	10.2	0.6
October 2003-04	9.7	67.6	2.7	4.5	-1.3	5.2

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

Import Goods

Import prices were up 1.5 percent in October, the fourth consecutive monthly advance and largest increase for the index since May. The rise was attributable to an 11.7 percent jump in petroleum prices. The price index for petroleum has trended upward since June 2003, when the index rose 24.8 percent. For the year ended in October, petroleum prices were up 67.6 percent. In contrast, nonpetroleum import prices fell 0.2 percent last month, the first decline for the index since October 2003. Prices for nonpetroleum imports rose 2.7 percent over the October 2003-2004 period. Led by the sharp increase in petroleum prices, overall import prices were up 9.7 percent over the same timeframe.

The October decrease in nonpetroleum prices was led by a 1.1 percent decline in the price index for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials, a drop attributable to falling prices for lumber and other finished building materials. Despite the decline, nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials prices increased 12.8 percent over the past 12 months. Import capital goods prices fell 0.2 percent in October, led by falling computer prices. The price index for capital goods has not increased since January and was down 1.3 percent over the past year. A 0.6 percent drop in prices for foods, feeds, and beverages also contributed to the October decline in nonpetroleum prices and resulted from lower vegetable prices. Foods, feeds, and beverages prices were up 6.0 percent for the year ended in October.

Import automotive vehicle prices rose 0.4 percent in October, partially offsetting the declines in other nonpetroleum prices. The increase was the largest since October 2003 and was attributable to year-end model changeovers. Prices for automotive vehicles were up 1.8 percent over the past 12 months. The price index for consumer goods was unchanged last month and was up a modest 0.5 percent for the year ended in October.

Export Goods

Export prices rose 0.7 percent in October, led by a 1.0 percent increase in nonagricultural export prices, which more than offset a 1.3 percent drop in agricultural prices. The advance in nonagricultural prices was the largest monthly increase since October 1990. Prices for nonagricultural exports increased in 11 of the past 12 months and were up 5.2 percent over that period. Overall export prices also were up for the year ended in October, increasing 4.5 percent.

Nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials prices, up 2.5 percent in October, led the increase in nonagricultural export prices. Rising prices for chemicals, fuel, and metals all contributed to the increase. Prices for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials were up 16.6 percent over the past year. Higher prices for capital goods and for automotive vehicles were also factors in the increase in nonagricultural prices. The price index for capital goods rose 0.4 percent, the largest monthly gain since April 1995. Capital goods prices had been relatively stable over the past six months prior to October and rose 1.0 percent for the year ended in October. Prices for automotive vehicles increased 0.2 percent in October, attributable to both higher parts prices and year-end model changeovers. The index was up 0.9 percent over the past 12 months. Consumer goods prices fell 0.1 percent in October but were up 1.1 percent over the past year.

The 1.3 percent decrease in agricultural exports in October resumed the recent downward trend for the index, following a 1.7 percent increase in September. In October, declining prices for soybeans and corn more than offset higher vegetable and fruit prices. Agricultural prices fell 1.3 percent over the past 12 months.

Imports by Locality of Origin

Led by higher petroleum prices, the price indexes for imports from Latin America, from the European Union, and from Canada all rose in October. Prices of imports from Latin America were up 2.6 percent, the largest increase since February 2003. The index was up 16.3 percent for the year ended in October. Import prices from the European Union and from Canada each were up 0.6 percent in October. Over the past year, the indexes were up 7.1 percent and 11.2 percent, respectively.

Prices for imports from Japan increased 0.2 percent last month after a modest 0.1 percent decline in September. Import prices from Japan were up 1.7 percent over the past 12 months.

Import prices from the Asian Newly Industrialized Countries were unchanged last month and for the year ended in October.

Import and Export Services

Both import and export air passenger fares were down in October due to seasonal price declines. Import air passenger fares fell 4.6 percent in October, following a similar 4.1 percent decrease the previous month. The index was up 0.8 percent for the year ended in October. Export air passenger fares also declined last month, falling a more modest 1.9 percent after decreasing 6.8 percent in September. Notwithstanding the recent declines, export air passenger fares were up 6.2 percent over the past year.

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

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

END USE	Description	Relative Importance September 2004 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			September 2004	October 2004	Annual Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	Monthly			
						June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	104.0	105.6	9.7	0.4	1.4	0.5	1.5
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	85.118	100.0	99.8	2.7	0.0	0.3	0.0	-0.2
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING FUELS (200112=100).....	83.411	103.4	103.2	2.6	0.1	0.3	0.3	-0.2
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	4.552	108.7	108.0	6.0	0.6	-0.2	1.3	-0.6
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	3.363	116.4	115.6	6.1	0.2	-0.4	2.1	-0.7
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	1.189	91.5	90.9	5.3	1.7	0.5	-0.9	-0.7
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	31.335	128.1	134.4	35.1	1.1	4.8	1.3	4.9
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	16.453	114.2	112.9	12.8	-0.1	1.7	-0.1	-1.1
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING FUELS (200112=100).....	14.746	123.9	122.7	13.2	0.3	2.0	1.1	-1.0
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	9.223	117.6	115.5	18.3	0.0	2.7	1.6	-1.8
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	7.229	110.2	109.7	6.5	-0.1	0.5	-2.0	-0.5
10	Fuels & lubricants.....	16.589	145.4	160.2	60.0	1.8	7.5	1.5	10.2
100	Petroleum & petroleum products.....	14.883	148.3	165.6	67.6	2.3	8.7	2.8	11.7
10000	Crude.....	11.067	150.9	168.5	68.3	4.1	9.0	3.4	11.7
11	Paper & paper base stocks.....	1.072	101.2	100.8	7.2	1.0	0.4	0.8	-0.4
12	Materials associated with nondurable supplies & materials.....	4.575	107.9	108.5	4.9	0.5	1.1	0.2	0.6
13	Selected building materials.....	2.365	125.6	115.2	5.2	-2.4	5.4	1.3	-8.3
14	Unfinished metals related to durable goods.....	3.703	132.3	133.4	41.3	1.4	2.5	2.4	0.8
15	Finished metals related to durable goods.....	1.475	112.4	112.9	14.0	1.0	1.6	1.3	0.4
16	Nonmetals related to durable goods.....	1.556	98.8	98.6	0.9	-0.2	0.0	0.3	-0.2
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	22.379	92.0	91.8	-1.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2
20	Electric generating equipment.....	2.749	97.4	97.2	1.0	0.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	17.440	89.8	89.6	-2.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (200112=100).....	2.190	103.8	103.9	1.6	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	16.862	102.6	103.0	1.8	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.4
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	24.872	98.4	98.4	0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	12.157	100.8	100.8	1.0	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
41	Durables, manufactured.....	11.470	95.9	96.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods.....	1.245	97.9	97.9	2.2	0.6	0.5	0.0	0.0

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2002 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
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Table 2 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods
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END USE	Description	Relative Importance September 2004 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			September 2004	October 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	103.8	104.5	4.5	0.5	-0.5	0.4	0.7
	AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	8.893	117.5	116.0	-1.3	-1.0	-8.4	1.7	-1.3
	NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	91.108	102.8	103.8	5.2	0.7	0.4	0.2	1.0
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	8.147	118.8	117.5	0.3	-0.9	-9.0	2.0	-1.1
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	7.382	119.2	117.5	-0.8	-0.9	-9.9	1.9	-1.4
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	0.765	114.4	116.8	10.6	-0.5	1.4	2.5	2.1
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	27.335	113.8	116.5	15.3	1.9	1.0	0.6	2.4
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	10.346	115.9	117.5	16.0	3.2	0.3	0.1	1.4
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE.....	16.990	112.8	116.1	14.8	1.2	1.4	1.0	2.9
10	Agricultural industrial supplies & materials.....	1.511	109.4	108.7	-4.1	-1.5	-0.6	0.9	-0.6
	NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	25.824	114.2	117.1	16.6	2.2	1.1	0.6	2.5
11	Fuels & lubricants.....	2.958	120.8	131.1	34.5	3.2	1.5	0.3	8.5
12	Nonagricultural supplies & materials excluding fuels & building materials.....	21.665	114.3	116.4	15.1	2.2	1.0	0.7	1.8
13	Selected building materials.....	1.201	104.0	103.8	5.1	-0.6	0.5	0.7	-0.2
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	41.022	97.9	98.3	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4
20	Electrical generating equipment.....	3.986	102.3	103.1	1.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.8
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	29.405	94.0	94.4	0.5	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (200112=100).....	7.632	108.2	108.5	3.1	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	11.458	102.6	102.8	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.2
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	11.989	101.0	100.9	1.1	0.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.1
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	5.890	101.0	101.0	2.0	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.0
41	Durables, manufactured.....	5.357	100.9	100.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.3
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods (200112=100).....	0.742	101.2	101.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.4	0.0	0.0

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	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	104.0	105.6	9.7	0.4	1.4	0.5	1.5
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	3.624	109.2	109.9	9.6	0.5	0.0	1.7	0.6
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	0.449	135.1	133.9	16.2	3.7	0.4	0.7	-0.9
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.867	86.1	85.4	7.0	2.4	0.9	-0.9	-0.8
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	0.871	109.2	110.2	3.6	-3.6	-1.5	8.5	0.9
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof.....	0.417	105.6	104.5	9.4	-4.0	0.6	2.2	-1.0
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	1.020	125.6	129.3	14.4	2.8	0.0	-1.2	2.9
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.913	106.2	106.5	2.1	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.3
11	Beverages.....	0.806	106.7	106.9	2.6	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.2
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	2.284	135.1	124.9	19.9	-0.1	6.7	0.7	-7.5
24	Cork and wood.....	0.975	151.1	125.8	18.5	-2.9	12.8	1.4	-16.7
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.261	105.5	99.8	9.9	1.4	-0.3	-2.0	-5.4
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	0.429	162.4	165.1	58.3	3.5	10.7	1.0	1.7
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.....	0.217	98.7	96.9	1.9	3.3	-3.6	1.1	-1.8
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	16.211	146.1	160.9	58.8	1.8	7.6	1.4	10.1
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials....	14.608	148.7	165.5	65.3	2.3	8.7	2.8	11.3
34	Gas, natural and manufactured.....	1.603	122.0	121.1	14.0	-3.7	1.1	-10.5	-0.7
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	7.636	105.7	106.3	6.1	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.6
51	Organic chemicals.....	2.621	103.6	104.6	7.4	1.3	0.6	1.9	1.0
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.616	124.4	125.1	15.0	2.0	1.5	0.3	0.6
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials.....	0.197	98.4	98.5	0.4	-2.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	2.200	106.5	106.4	4.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.1
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	0.322	93.4	93.3	2.3	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	0.605	109.2	109.7	3.9	3.1	0.6	0.7	0.5
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.368	103.6	104.0	2.3	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.4
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	0.511	94.5	94.9	2.8	-0.5	-0.6	0.4	0.4
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	12.158	108.7	108.6	12.5	0.0	1.3	1.1	-0.1
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.646	100.8	101.0	2.5	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2
63	Cork and wood manufactures other than furniture.....	0.827	116.8	109.8	-7.9	-5.6	2.1	2.2	-6.0
64	Paper and paperboard, cut to size.....	1.246	97.9	98.6	4.1	0.9	0.4	1.1	0.7
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related prod.....	1.407	104.0	103.9	3.0	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.1
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	2.139	100.3	100.6	2.8	-0.1	0.9	0.1	0.3
67	Iron and steel.....	1.942	156.3	157.4	56.5	1.0	2.6	4.3	0.7
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.858	105.7	106.5	29.9	0.7	2.8	0.5	0.8
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	1.990	103.9	104.1	5.5	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.2

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7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	40.216	95.0	95.0	-0.3	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	2.833	101.3	101.3	1.4	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	1.599	107.5	107.8	5.3	0.6	0.4	-0.1	0.3
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.439	107.4	108.0	4.1	0.8	0.4	0.0	0.6
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & machine parts, n.e.s.....	3.071	104.4	104.6	4.2	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.2
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	5.360	74.0	73.2	-6.9	-0.8	-0.8	-0.4	-1.1
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	4.848	83.8	83.5	-4.8	-0.5	-0.4	-0.2	-0.4
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	6.514	94.6	94.6	-1.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.0
78	Road vehicles.....	14.056	103.0	103.5	2.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.5
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	16.525	100.1	100.2	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
81	Prefabricated buildings; plumbing, heat & lighting fixtures, n.e.s.....	0.436	93.5	94.3	-0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	1.834	102.8	103.0	2.7	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers.....	0.375	103.5	103.5	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	5.273	100.8	100.9	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
85	Footwear.....	1.276	100.5	100.5	0.5	0.0	-0.3	0.4	0.0
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	1.737	99.9	99.8	0.4	0.3	-0.1	0.1	-0.1
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	0.933	98.2	98.2	-1.1	-0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.661	98.7	98.8	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1

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

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	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	103.8	104.5	4.5	0.5	-0.5	0.4	0.7
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	6.661	117.8	118.5	5.4	-3.3	-2.8	1.1	0.6
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	1.292	124.6	125.9	1.9	-3.4	2.5	-1.2	1.0
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.520	110.7	112.8	13.3	-1.1	0.7	2.3	1.9
04	Cereals and cereal preparations.....	1.802	122.0	115.5	-3.3	-9.3	-5.8	1.2	-5.3
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	1.438	120.2	131.2	27.1	-1.0	2.9	6.2	9.2
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals).....	0.636	110.0	106.2	-7.2	5.2	-17.9	-3.4	-3.5
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations.....	0.461	101.6	101.6	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.511	108.9	108.9	4.0	-2.3	-2.1	-0.5	0.0
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.700	101.7	101.9	3.2	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.2
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures.....	0.451	100.3	100.4	3.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	5.158	119.1	117.8	5.9	5.1	-10.7	1.0	-1.1
22	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits.....	1.064	125.1	109.1	-20.2	9.5	-36.4	6.6	-12.8
24	Cork and wood.....	0.551	99.1	98.6	7.2	0.6	-0.1	0.3	-0.5
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.666	98.7	98.6	8.6	-0.7	-0.6	-0.8	-0.1
26	Textile fibers and their waste.....	0.537	102.1	100.1	-17.5	-5.3	-1.7	1.0	-2.0
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	1.270	177.2	187.9	55.2	13.6	-3.8	-3.2	6.0
<u>2/</u>	Other crude materials, inedible, except fuels.....	1.070	117.4	119.1	7.7	1.3	1.8	2.9	1.4
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	2.468	141.2	156.1	44.3	4.3	1.5	1.1	10.6
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials....	1.780	138.0	156.8	50.6	3.7	1.3	1.3	13.6
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	13.878	109.6	111.9	11.1	1.1	1.6	0.8	2.1
51	Organic chemicals.....	3.230	120.8	128.5	27.4	1.3	2.2	1.8	6.4
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.862	105.7	106.1	7.4	2.4	3.4	1.1	0.4
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials.....	0.587	99.1	99.6	0.7	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.5
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	2.504	108.0	107.8	1.8	2.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.2
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	0.960	105.5	106.0	7.2	-0.2	0.9	0.5	0.5
56	Fertilizers.....	0.473	143.9	142.6	16.1	0.9	0.5	3.2	-0.9
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	2.419	109.6	113.6	19.0	1.6	2.6	2.0	3.6
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.877	97.5	97.9	-0.4	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.4
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	1.967	105.5	105.1	2.6	-0.3	1.6	-0.8	-0.4
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	10.578	110.5	111.1	10.8	1.2	1.2	0.8	0.5
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.770	111.2	111.5	1.8	0.5	0.2	-0.7	0.3
64	Uncoated Paper/paperboard, and linerboard.....	1.545	102.7	103.8	6.6	2.0	0.7	0.8	1.1
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, and made-up articles, n.e.s.....	1.635	105.8	105.8	3.6	0.3	-0.3	0.4	0.0
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	1.478	100.5	100.5	1.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0
67	Iron and steel.....	1.358	166.4	168.8	57.0	5.7	6.3	1.8	1.4
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.130	98.5	99.2	21.1	0.0	1.4	1.9	0.7
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	2.213	111.7	112.5	7.9	1.9	0.5	0.5	0.7

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

SITC Rev. 3	Description	Relative Import- ance September 2004 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			September 2004	October 2004	Annual Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	Monthly			
						June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
<u>2/</u>	Other manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (200112=100).....	0.449	117.9	116.5	-1.2	-4.1	2.2	1.8	-1.2
7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	48.375	98.3	98.6	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	4.883	109.0	109.6	1.6	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.6
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	3.719	106.1	107.2	4.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	1.0
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.633	101.0	101.5	0.7	-0.2	0.2	1.0	0.5
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & parts, n.e.s.....	4.731	105.3	106.3	3.6	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.9
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	5.436	86.2	85.9	-2.3	-0.7	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	3.355	90.7	90.5	-2.5	-0.3	-0.9	0.0	-0.2
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	11.196	88.2	88.6	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.5
78	Road vehicles.....	8.779	102.5	102.8	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	11.170	101.2	101.5	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.3
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	0.637	102.9	102.7	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.0	-0.2
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	0.861	96.9	96.8	-0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	4.218	101.8	102.2	0.1	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.4
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	0.959	95.8	96.1	1.5	1.0	0.7	-0.3	0.3
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.108	102.3	102.7	1.3	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.4
<u>2/</u>	Other miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.388	108.0	108.0	1.8	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2002 trade values.

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

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

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

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Import-ance September 2004 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			September 2004	October 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.559	110.3	112.1	15.8	4.2	0.4	-2.2	1.6
02	Meat and edible meat offal.....	0.405	137.8	135.9	17.0	4.9	0.3	0.1	-1.4
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.678	84.8	84.4	5.8	2.4	1.1	-1.7	-0.5
2/	Other live animals; animal products.....	0.476	152.6	163.2	30.6	6.1	-0.4	-4.6	6.9
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	1.154	105.6	106.4	6.0	-3.6	-1.8	8.3	0.8
07	Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers.....	0.286	126.5	129.6	15.4	-12.1	-4.8	32.9	2.5
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.340	96.7	97.3	-1.5	0.1	1.2	-0.9	0.6
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices.....	0.222	91.9	91.3	8.7	-8.4	-0.8	5.8	-0.7
2/	Other vegetable products.....	0.306	109.4	109.8	5.1	3.2	-3.5	2.9	0.4
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.137	110.9	110.8	4.7	0.8	0.5	0.5	-0.1
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.239	102.8	102.6	1.4	0.0	0.1	1.8	-0.2
22	Beverages, spirits, and vinegar.....	0.817	104.9	105.2	2.4	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.3
2/	Other prepared foodstuffs.....	1.081	118.3	117.7	7.3	1.0	0.9	0.3	-0.5
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	16.606	145.4	159.4	58.4	2.0	7.2	1.6	9.6
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	16.291	144.7	158.9	59.5	2.1	7.3	1.6	9.8
2/	Other mineral products (200112=100).....	0.315	110.7	111.2	9.4	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.5
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	6.971	105.6	106.0	6.5	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.4
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.681	121.7	121.9	13.9	1.9	1.5	0.2	0.2
29	Organic chemicals.....	2.899	103.8	104.5	7.6	1.2	0.7	1.8	0.7
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	1.890	106.1	106.0	3.9	0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.1
32	Tanning & dyeing extracts; dye & pigments; varnish & paints; putty.....	0.198	97.9	98.0	1.1	-0.3	0.3	0.0	0.1
33	Essential oils and resinoids (200112=100).....	0.281	105.3	105.3	3.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods.....	0.170	96.9	96.9	0.0	-0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	0.385	92.4	92.4	-1.1	-0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0
2/	Other products of the chemical or allied industries.....	0.467	118.0	120.3	13.6	1.1	2.3	-0.4	1.9
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	2.709	107.3	107.7	2.8	0.8	0.1	0.4	0.4
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	1.802	106.7	107.2	3.0	1.1	0.3	0.4	0.5
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	0.907	108.6	108.8	2.5	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.2
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.705	101.5	102.0	1.3	-0.1	0.0	0.1	0.5
42	Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials.....	0.597	101.9	101.9	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	1.835	135.2	121.4	4.1	-3.9	6.8	1.7	-10.2
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	1.825	99.6	99.3	4.0	0.8	0.2	0.4	-0.3
47	Pulp wood or other fibrous cellulosic material; waste paper/paperboard.....	0.259	105.0	99.4	9.8	1.5	-0.4	-2.1	-5.3
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.259	96.9	97.6	3.9	0.8	0.4	1.0	0.7
49	Printed matter.....	0.307	111.8	111.5	-0.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.3
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	6.239	100.6	100.5	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.0	-0.1
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted.....	2.311	100.0	100.0	-0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0

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

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			September 2004	October 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted.....	2.517	99.9	99.9	0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0
63	Made-up or worn textile articles.....	0.449	94.0	94.0	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other textile & textile articles.....	0.962	106.8	106.5	4.6	0.3	1.0	0.0	-0.3
XII	HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC.....	1.493	99.9	100.0	0.6	0.0	-0.3	0.4	0.1
64	Footwear and parts of such articles.....	1.269	100.3	100.3	0.4	0.0	-0.3	0.4	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other footwear, headgear, umbrellas, whips, art. flowers, etc.....	0.224	97.8	98.3	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.5
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	1.002	103.9	104.1	1.8	-0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
68	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (200112=100).....	0.302	98.1	98.2	-0.9	-1.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
69	Ceramic products.....	0.348	108.8	109.8	5.6	-0.3	0.5	0.5	0.9
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.352	103.7	103.3	0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.4
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.396	96.0	95.8	6.6	0.3	1.5	0.8	-0.2
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL.....	5.698	124.6	125.8	28.6	0.8	2.3	1.6	1.0
72	Iron and steel.....	1.698	169.7	172.7	66.7	0.8	3.6	4.8	1.8
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.395	114.2	114.7	16.9	1.6	1.7	1.4	0.4
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.463	124.3	129.4	31.2	2.4	2.5	-0.4	4.1
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.842	110.3	110.7	13.1	-2.5	1.7	0.7	0.4
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.401	104.2	104.2	5.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.447	107.4	107.4	4.3	0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Miscellaneous nonferrous metals and articles, including scrap.....	0.452	109.8	109.4	41.5	4.9	4.3	-2.7	-0.4
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE & SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC.....	24.377	90.2	89.9	-2.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	12.607	90.4	90.1	-1.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3
85	Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders & reproducers, parts.....	11.770	90.0	89.8	-2.8	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	15.671	103.4	103.8	2.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	14.255	103.0	103.4	2.1	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.4
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof (200212=100).....	1.290	102.7	102.8	1.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	3.234	99.0	99.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
90	Optical, photographic, measuring and medical instruments.....	2.851	98.1	98.1	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof.....	0.274	107.7	107.6	2.0	0.7	0.2	-0.2	-0.1
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	4.180	97.8	98.0	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
94	Furniture & stuffed furnishings; lamps & lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg.....	2.235	100.1	100.4	2.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	1.712	95.0	95.1	-1.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.233	98.2	98.1	2.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1

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

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance September 2004 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			September 2004	October 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.947	119.7	122.5	4.4	-3.2	1.4	0.4	2.3
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.457	109.9	112.9	13.8	-0.2	1.7	2.9	2.7
<u>2/</u>	Other live animals and animal products.....	0.317	113.8	120.0	6.2	-6.1	-2.6	2.4	5.4
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	4.144	125.0	122.9	2.2	-1.5	-13.8	5.0	-1.7
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.708	112.3	123.2	28.3	-1.8	0.7	4.1	9.7
10	Cereals.....	1.538	122.1	114.5	-4.7	-10.3	-6.5	1.5	-6.2
12	Oilseeds and misc. grains, seeds, fruits, plants, straw and fodder.....	1.242	124.7	111.2	-16.5	8.5	-32.7	6.1	-10.8
III	ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS.....	0.365	167.7	154.7	-3.9	3.2	-7.2	3.8	-7.8
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.595	105.0	104.1	-0.4	1.6	-5.7	-1.0	-0.9
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.331	109.7	110.0	2.1	0.4	3.3	0.0	0.3
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations.....	0.419	102.4	102.4	1.6	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.0
23	Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal feed.....	0.553	109.5	104.9	-11.0	6.9	-22.7	-4.3	-4.2
<u>2/</u>	Other prepared foods.....	0.841	107.1	107.0	3.1	-0.6	0.1	-0.4	-0.1
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	3.057	139.6	152.8	42.7	5.1	1.5	0.9	9.5
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	2.431	137.0	151.2	43.2	4.1	1.7	1.2	10.4
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	11.134	111.0	112.9	10.3	1.1	1.3	0.6	1.7
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.942	108.3	107.5	4.9	2.0	3.0	0.5	-0.7
29	Organic chemicals.....	3.654	121.0	127.8	24.7	1.7	2.1	1.7	5.6
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	2.043	107.8	107.5	2.5	2.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.3
31	Fertilizers.....	0.453	139.4	138.2	17.9	1.0	0.4	3.3	-0.9
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts, dyes, paints, varnish, putty, & inks.....	0.598	99.6	100.2	1.2	0.2	0.7	0.4	0.6
33	Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet.....	0.692	107.1	107.6	7.0	-0.1	0.5	0.5	0.5
34	Soap; lubricants; waxes, polishing or scouring products; candles, pastes.....	0.376	104.7	104.7	3.9	-0.6	1.0	0.0	0.0
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods.....	0.428	99.4	99.7	1.6	0.4	0.5	0.0	0.3
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	1.644	105.0	104.7	2.8	-0.2	1.2	-0.6	-0.3
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	5.484	109.4	111.4	9.5	1.1	1.4	0.9	1.8
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	4.428	107.6	109.9	10.5	1.3	1.4	1.1	2.1
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	1.056	116.0	116.5	5.7	1.2	1.0	0.3	0.4
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.512	111.1	111.1	2.3	1.7	0.8	-0.2	0.0
41	Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather.....	0.461	107.6	107.6	-1.2	1.8	0.9	-0.2	0.0
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	0.846	103.9	103.6	5.5	-1.2	0.5	0.8	-0.3
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	2.904	99.7	100.2	5.5	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.5
47	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.663	94.6	94.6	8.7	-0.6	-0.7	-0.7	0.0

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

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			September 2004	October 2004	Annual	Monthly			
					Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.597	99.4	100.3	5.8	1.8	0.7	0.7	0.9
49	Printed material.....	0.644	109.0	109.5	2.1	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.5
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	2.873	97.9	97.5	-2.6	-0.9	-0.3	0.3	-0.4
52	Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof.....	0.732	92.2	90.8	-10.5	-4.6	-1.4	0.8	-1.5
61	Apparel & clothing knitted or crocheted (200112=100).....	0.494	95.1	95.0	-0.7	0.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.1
62	Apparel Articles & Accessories, not knitted.....	0.375	95.8	95.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
2/	Other textile and textile articles (200112=100).....	1.272	106.8	106.9	1.0	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.1
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.806	99.9	99.9	1.6	0.0	0.1	0.8	0.0
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.480	95.8	95.9	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.1
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.280	103.3	105.5	9.9	0.3	0.7	0.7	2.1
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS.....	5.141	126.0	127.5	25.6	5.1	0.6	-0.4	1.2
72	Iron and steel.....	1.261	168.4	169.2	55.5	16.2	-2.0	-3.3	0.5
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.397	123.5	124.4	19.2	3.6	2.7	0.7	0.7
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.415	125.1	135.0	38.3	-0.3	1.6	0.7	7.9
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.826	109.7	110.6	16.8	0.1	1.4	0.7	0.8
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.404	102.4	102.9	1.7	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.5
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.466	111.4	111.3	3.2	0.4	0.7	0.3	-0.1
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC..	33.539	94.8	95.2	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.4
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	18.583	100.0	100.4	1.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4
85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts and accessories thereof.....	14.956	89.1	89.4	-0.6	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.3
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	14.662	107.1	107.4	1.9	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	9.105	102.5	102.8	1.3	0.0	0.2	-0.1	0.3
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	6.073	101.2	101.5	0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.3
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	1.488	100.0	100.0	-0.8	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0
94	Furniture; stuffed furnishings; lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;.....	0.849	104.6	104.6	1.7	0.2	1.4	0.0	0.0
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	0.491	94.5	94.4	-3.9	-0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.1

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2002 trade values.

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

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

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Table 7 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes by Locality of Origin
October 2003-October 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Percentage of U.S. Imports <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		September 2004	October 2004	Annual		Monthly		
				Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
<u>2/</u> Industrialized Countries.....	49.276	106.4	106.9	8.1	0.2	1.2	0.2	0.5
Manufactured Goods.....	45.418	104.0	103.9	5.3	0.2	0.6	0.4	-0.1
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.591	139.9	148.2	38.5	0.5	6.1	-1.4	5.9
<u>3/</u> Other Countries.....	50.724	101.5	103.5	11.2	0.5	2.1	1.0	2.0
Manufactured Goods.....	43.453	97.3	97.4	3.0	-0.1	0.8	0.4	0.1
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	7.173	140.7	153.8	53.3	3.2	7.2	3.2	9.3
Canada.....	17.463	114.6	115.3	11.2	-0.1	2.0	0.1	0.6
Manufactured Goods.....	14.664	110.3	109.8	6.1	-0.3	1.5	0.7	-0.5
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	2.611	140.2	146.8	35.2	0.1	4.2	-2.6	4.7
<u>4/</u> European Union.....	19.312	109.9	110.6	7.1	0.1	0.8	0.4	0.6
Manufactured Goods.....	18.793	109.2	109.5	5.7	0.0	0.6	0.1	0.3
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	0.460	158.9	174.0	55.4	0.5	10.1	6.3	9.5
<u>5/</u> Latin America.....	17.761	114.0	117.0	16.3	1.3	1.7	1.9	2.6
Manufactured Goods.....	14.150	111.7	112.5	7.8	0.7	0.5	1.2	0.7
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.575	142.1	153.5	46.5	3.3	5.4	3.7	8.0
Japan.....	10.651	95.3	95.5	1.7	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.2
<u>6/</u> Asian Newly Industrialized Countries.....	8.019	91.0	91.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0

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

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

3 Defined according to the BEA definition for Other Countries, which includes Eastern Europe, Latin America, OPEC countries, and other countries in Asia, Africa and the Western Hemisphere.

4 Includes European Union countries.

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

6 Includes Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan.

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

Regions are not mutually exclusive.

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Table 8 U.S. Import and Export Quarterly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
September 2003-September 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		June 2004	September 2004	Annual	Quarterly			
				Sept. 2003 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to March 2004	March 2004 to June 2004	June 2004 to Sept. 2004
IMPORT								
Air Freight.....	4168	117.5	120.0	2.7	-1.6	1.9	0.3	2.1
Europe (200312=100).....	1407	107.9	112.1	n.a.	n.a.	6.0	1.8	3.9
Asia.....	2329	108.6	109.3	-5.1	-4.2	-0.4	-1.3	0.6
EXPORT								
Air Freight.....	2836	99.1	100.3	5.5	0.3	1.8	2.1	1.2

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised one quarter after original publication.
n.a. Not available

Table 9 U.S. Import and Export Monthly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
October 2003-October 2004 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		September 2004	October 2004	Annual	Monthly			
				Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
IMPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	18253	121.0	115.4	0.8	2.8	-0.3	-4.1	-4.6
Europe.....	11250	118.1	110.7	0.6	1.3	-0.3	-2.5	-6.3
Asia.....	2626	111.1	107.2	-2.4	2.1	1.0	-11.5	-3.5
Latin America / Caribbean.....	1916	112.9	110.8	4.4	7.5	-0.6	-7.7	-1.9
EXPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	20319	130.1	127.6	6.2	4.7	7.7	-6.8	-1.9
Europe.....	5394	151.3	151.8	3.8	5.8	-0.4	-4.7	0.3
Asia.....	8936	120.4	113.3	8.2	4.4	21.8	-11.5	-5.9
Latin America / Caribbean.....	3413	130.1	128.4	3.4	4.9	-0.5	-4.5	-1.3

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

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		June 2004	September 2004	Annual	Quarterly			
				Sept. 2003 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2003 to Dec. 2003	Dec. 2003 to March 2004	March 2004 to June 2004	June 2004 to Sept. 2004
INBOUND								
Air Freight.....	7483	116.6	118.7	5.5	0.4	2.9	0.3	1.8
Europe (200312=100).....	2466	108.0	111.6	n.a.	n.a.	7.0	0.9	3.3
Asia.....	4180	106.8	107.8	-0.4	-1.0	0.2	-0.5	0.9
Ocean Liner Freight.....	17817	121.1	120.3	3.5	1.4	1.1	1.7	-0.7
U.S. East Coast.....	6938	116.0	113.5	6.1	3.4	3.8	1.0	-2.2
From Atlantic.....	3022	119.2	110.5	4.8	7.3	7.5	-2.0	-7.3
From Pacific.....	2817	113.5	113.4	2.8	-0.6	1.1	2.4	-0.1
U.S. West Coast.....	10879	124.9	125.2	2.0	0.2	-0.4	2.0	0.2
OUTBOUND								
Air Freight.....	5193	99.0	100.7	5.4	-0.6	1.3	3.0	1.7
Europe (200312=100).....	1998	106.7	108.7	n.a.	n.a.	1.8	4.8	1.9
Asia.....	2365	97.6	98.5	2.9	-0.3	0.6	1.7	0.9

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

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		September 2004	October 2004	Annual	Monthly			
				Oct. 2003 to Oct. 2004	June 2004 to July 2004	July 2004 to Aug. 2004	Aug. 2004 to Sept. 2004	Sept. 2004 to Oct. 2004
INBOUND								
Air Passenger Fares (200312=100).....	38589	110.1	108.6	n.a.	6.2	3.8	-5.9	-1.4
Europe (200312=100).....	15654	110.0	109.8	n.a.	6.6	0.6	-5.7	-0.2
Asia (200312=100).....	12401	114.9	109.3	n.a.	6.8	12.0	-9.2	-4.9
Latin America / Caribbean (200312=100).....	5604	103.0	102.2	n.a.	5.6	-1.2	-3.3	-0.8
Canada (200312=100).....	2905	107.1	112.5	n.a.	3.0	0.1	1.2	5.0
Crude Oil Tanker Freight.....	3434	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.6	8.6	n.a.	n.a.
OUTBOUND								
Air Passenger Fares (200312=100).....	43898	114.2	109.8	n.a.	3.6	-0.5	-3.0	-3.9
Europe (200312=100).....	21857	124.0	116.0	n.a.	1.7	-0.4	-2.1	-6.5
Asia (200312=100).....	7190	106.9	105.8	n.a.	8.6	0.8	-9.6	-1.0
Latin America / Caribbean (200312=100).....	9206	101.1	100.7	n.a.	3.8	-0.9	-2.8	-0.4
Canada (200312=100).....	2982	107.5	109.1	n.a.	0.8	1.0	-1.6	1.5

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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