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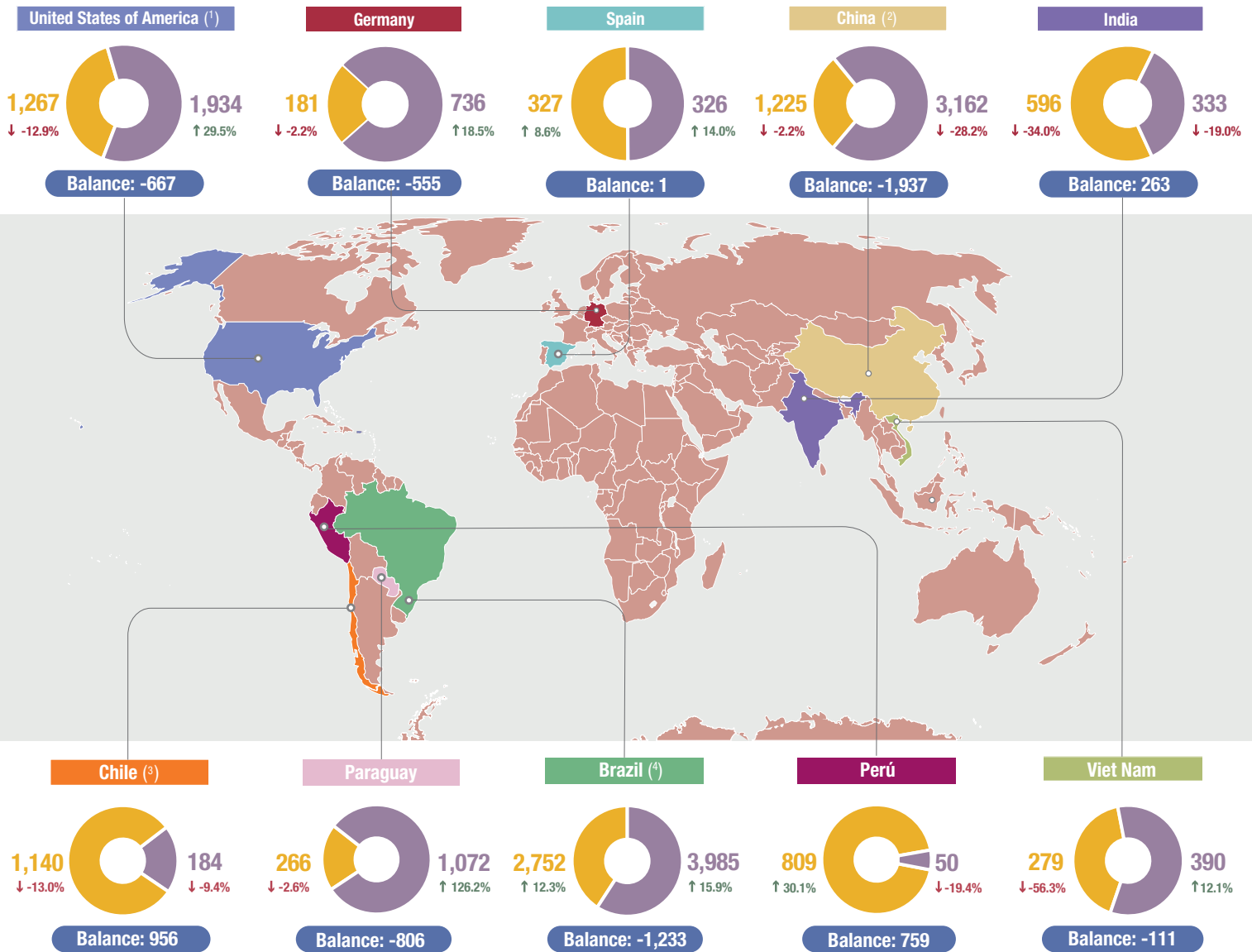
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## Executive summary



■ Exports in millions of dollars ■ Imports in millions of dollars

↑↓ = Year-on-year percentage change

<sup>(1)</sup> Including Puerto Rico and territories linked to the United States of America.

<sup>(2)</sup> Including Hong Kong and Macao.

<sup>(3)</sup> Including free trade zone Iquique and free trade zone Punta Arenas.

<sup>(4)</sup> Including free trade zone Manaus.

Source: INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

## Introduction

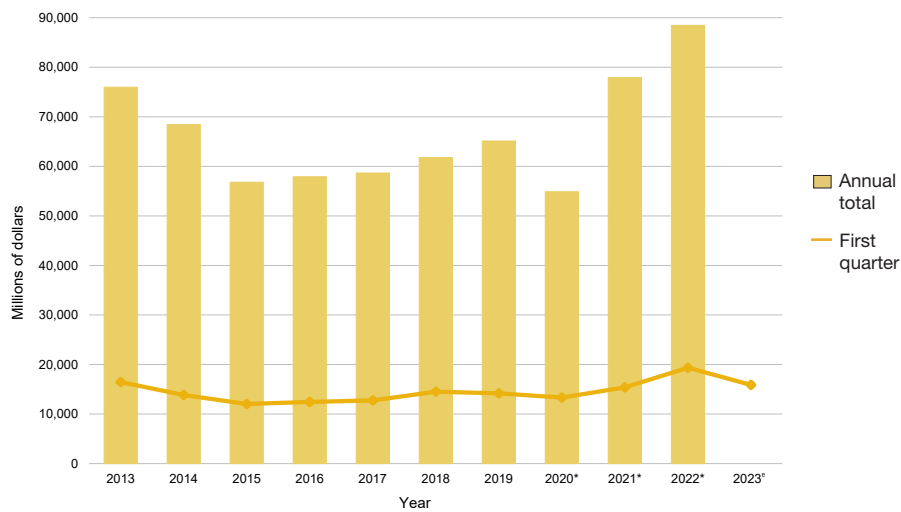
The National Institute of Statistics and Censuses (INDEC) presents the Argentine Foreign Trade Statistics publication with the aim of disseminating information on merchandise exports and imports classified by country.

This publication has been prepared to concisely describe Argentine foreign trade and provide up to date information to the global community.

This publication is available on a quarterly basis: in February, May, August, and November. This edition includes data for the first quarter of 2022\* and 2023\*.

Read the methodology at: [https://www.indec.gob.ar/ftp/cuadros/economia/metod\\_arg\\_foreign\\_trade.pdf](https://www.indec.gob.ar/ftp/cuadros/economia/metod_arg_foreign_trade.pdf).

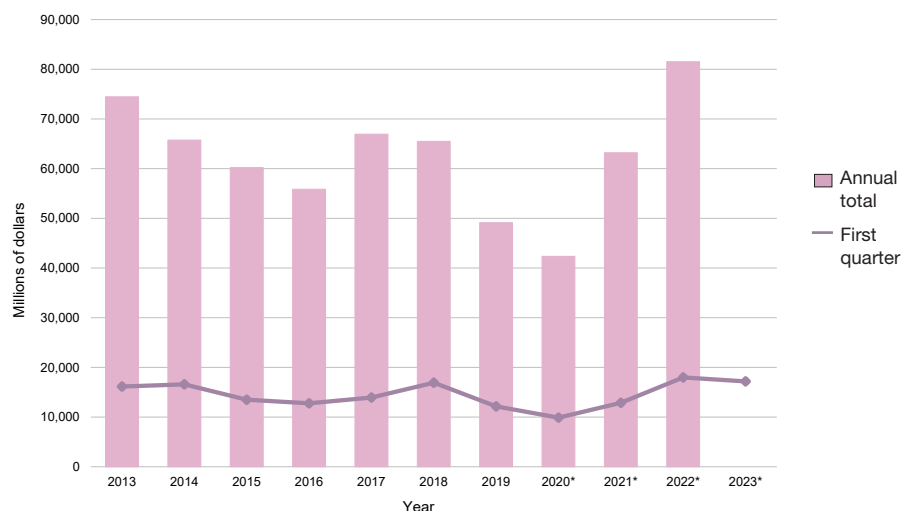
**Graph 1. Exports, in millions of dollars, 2013-2022 and first quarter of 2013-2023**



**Note:** totals may not match partial sums due to the effect of rounding.

**Source:** INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

**Graph 2. Imports, in millions of dollars, 2013-2022 and first quarter of 2013-2023**



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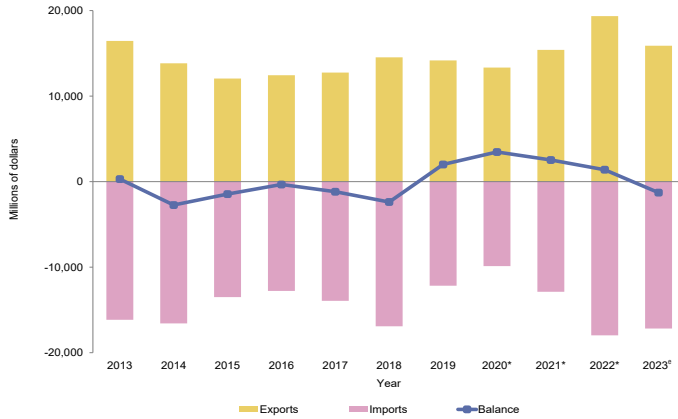
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## Overview

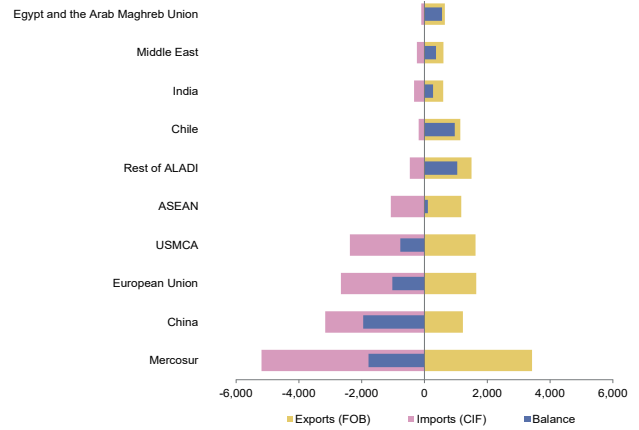
For the first quarter of 2023, Argentina's merchandise exports decreased by 17.9% and reached 15,888 million dollars, while its merchandise imports decreased by 4.4% and reached 17,178 million dollars. The merchandise trade balance recorded deficit of 1,290 millions of dollars.

**Graph 3. Merchandise trade balance for the first quarter of 2023, in millions of dollars**



Source: INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

**Graph 4. Merchandise trade balance by main economic areas for the first quarter of 2023, in millions of dollars**



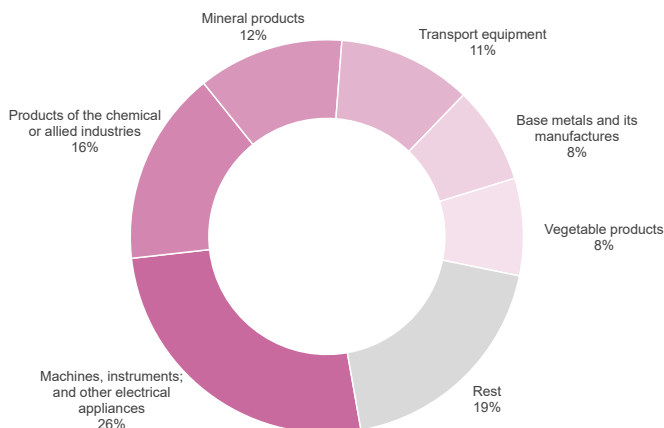
## Exports profile

For the first quarter of 2023, the top five HS sections for merchandise exports were Vegetable products (section II), Foodstuffs; beverages; tobacco and its manufactures (section IV), Mineral products (section V), Transport equipment (section XVII) and Live animals and products of animal origin (section I) (See Table 4).

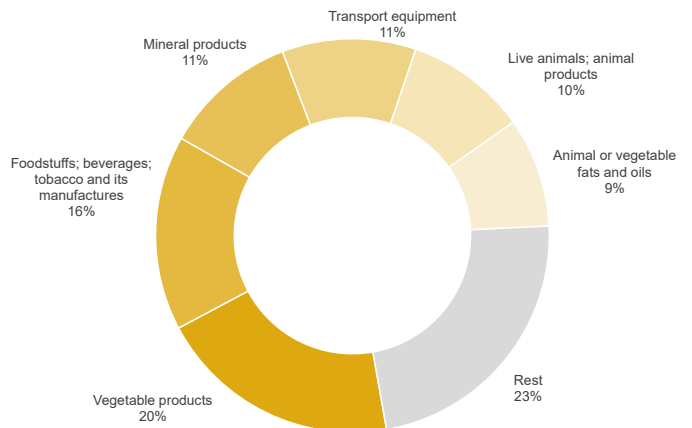
The five largest export commodities were Oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soya-bean oil (HS code 230400), Maize (excluding seed for sowing) (100590), Motor vehicles for the transport of goods, with compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine diesel or semi-diesel engine of a gross vehicle weight <= 5 t (870421), Crude soya-bean oil, whether or not degummed (150710) and Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude (270900) (See Table 6).

In addition, the top five destinations for merchandise exports were Brazil, United States, China, Chile and Peru accounting respectively for 17%, 8%, 8%, 7% and 5% of total exports (See Table 2).

**Graph 6. Imports by sections of the Harmonized System (HS) code, percentage share, for the first quarter of 2023**



**Graph 5. Exports by sections of the Harmonized System (HS) code, percentage share, for the first quarter of 2023**



## Imports profile

For the first quarter of 2023, the top five HS sections for merchandise imports were Machines, instruments and electric materials (section XVI), Products of the chemical or allied industries (section VI), Mineral products (section V), Transport equipment (section XVII), and with equal wait Base metals and its manufactures (section XV) and Vegetable products (section II) (See Table 4).

The largest import commodities were Soya beans, whether or not broken (excluding seed for sowing) (120190), Medium oils and preparations, of petroleum or bituminous minerals, not containing biodiesel, n.e.s. (code 271019), Parts of telephone sets, telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks and of other apparatus for the transmission or reception of voice, images or other data, n.e.s. (851770), Light oils and preparations, of petroleum or bituminous minerals (271012) and Medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic purposes, put up in measured doses including those for transdermal administration or in forms or packings for retail sale (excluding containing antibiotics, hormones or steroids used as hormones, alkaloids, provitamins, vitamins, their derivatives or antimalarial active principles) (300490) (See Table 7).

The top five partners for merchandise imports were Brazil, China, the United States, Paraguay and Germany, accounting for 23%, 18%, 11%, 6% and 4% of total imports, respectively (See Table 2).

**Table 1. Argentine foreign trade by economic areas**

Economic areas	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>
	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars	
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,887,526</b>	<b>19,354,319</b>	<b>-17.9</b>	<b>17,178,190</b>	<b>17,968,418</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>-1,290,664</b>	<b>1,385,901</b>
Mercosur	3,425,949	3,078,768	11.3	5,192,713	4,096,083	26.8	-1,766,764	-1,017,315
Chile <sup>(1)</sup>	1,140,416	1,310,757	-13.0	184,230	202,679	-9.4	956,186	1,108,078
Rest of ALADI	1,498,946	1,269,391	18.1	466,505	501,395	-6.8	1,032,441	767,996
SICA	329,185	241,202	36.5	10,854	7,004	57.1	318,331	234,198
USMCA	1,625,235	1,818,817	-10.7	2,378,147	2,017,867	17.8	-752,912	-199,050
European Union <sup>(2)</sup>	1,649,090	2,456,628	-32.9	2,660,535	2,758,667	-3.6	-1,011,445	-302,039
United Kingdom <sup>(3)</sup>	182,379	134,456	35.8	148,889	194,099	-23.2	33,490	-59,643
Switzerland	325,669	294,943	10.5	135,314	129,171	4.7	190,355	165,772
CIS	103,424	148,452	-30.4	30,207	115,925	-74.1	73,217	32,527
ASEAN	1,170,534	1,850,524	-36.7	1,072,171	1,040,795	3.0	98,363	809,729
China <sup>(4)</sup>	1,224,723	1,251,645	-2.2	3,162,499	4,401,624	-28.2	-1,937,776	-3,149,979
Republic of Korea	230,126	351,494	-34.5	136,433	189,469	-28.0	93,693	162,025
Japan	120,476	104,867	14.3	305,422	255,274	19.6	-184,946	-150,407
India	596,238	903,033	-34.0	333,422	410,977	-19.0	262,816	492,056
Middle East	601,400	892,484	-32.6	242,585	790,972	-69.3	358,815	101,512
Egypt and the Arab Maghreb Union	648,914	1,007,672	-35.6	101,950	56,673	78.9	546,964	950,999
SACU	68,400	170,396	-60.0	51,537	51,824	-0.6	16,863	118,572
Oceania	132,003	226,774	-41.9	91,022	131,672	-31.1	40,981	95,102
Others	814,419	1,842,016	-55.8	473,755	616,248	-23.1	340,664	1,225,768

<sup>(1)</sup> Including free trade zone Iquique and free trade zone Punta Arenas.

<sup>(2)</sup> As of February 2020, the European Union consists of 27 member states. The data for the United Kingdom are presented separately.

<sup>(3)</sup> Including Northern Ireland.

<sup>(4)</sup> Including Hong Kong and Macao.

**Source:** INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

**Table 2. Exports and imports by country, percentage share**

Country of destination	Exports (FOB)		Country of origin	Imports (CIF)	
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>		Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
Brazil	17	13	Brazil	23	19
United States of America	8	7	China	18	24
China	8	6	United States of America	11	8
Chile	7	7	Paraguay	6	3
Peru	5	3	Germany	4	3
India	4	5	Thailand	3	2
Colombia	2	1	Italy	2	2
Indonesia	2	3	Viet Nam	2	2
Malaysia	2	2	Mexico	2	2
Netherlands	2	5	India	2	2
Others	42	47	Others	25	31

**Note:** totals may not match partial sums due to the effect of rounding.

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**Table 3. Exports and imports by country and continent**

Continent, country, or non-independent territory (1)	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
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<b>Africa</b>	<b>910,451</b>	<b>2,009,184</b>	<b>-54.7</b>	<b>155,000</b>	<b>195,660</b>	<b>-20.8</b>	<b>755,452</b>	<b>1,813,524</b>
Algeria	273,688	490,371	-44.2	5,593	375	///	268,095	489,996
Angola	5,943	55,156	-89.2	-	-	-	5,943	55,156
Benin	995	973	2.3	1	7	-85.7	994	966
Botswana	-	-	-	0	0	///	0	0
Burkina Faso	s	-	s	2	8	-75.0	s	-8
Burundi	-	s	s	-	-	-	-	s
Cabo Verde	6,142	s	s	0	-	-	6,142	s
Cameroon	8,052	43,130	-81.3	86	117	-26.5	7,966	43,013
Central African Republic	s	s	s	-	-	-	s	s
Chad	s	-	s	-	-	-	s	-
Comoros, the	s	s	s	18	7	157.1	s	s
Congo, the	2,282	31,511	-92.8	-	27,832	-100.0	2,282	3,680
Côte d'Ivoire	11,618	25,007	-53.5	570	571	-0.2	11,049	24,436
Democratic Republic of the Congo	2,108	6,635	-68.2	2	-	///	2,106	6,635
Djibouti	-	893	-100.0	-	-	-	-	893
Egypt	171,621	65,263	163.0	27,961	29,543	-5.4	143,661	35,720
Equatorial Guinea	201	535	-62.4	-	56,484	-100.0	201	-55,949
Eswatini	-	-	-	0	5	-94.5	0	-5
Ethiopia	s	46,730	s	1	21	-95.2	s	46,708
Gabon	1,482	1,184	25.2	70	77	-9.1	1,412	1,107
Gambia	-	13,281	-100.0	3	0	///	-3	13,281
Ghana	26,792	53,263	-49.7	203	508	-60.0	26,588	52,755
Guinea	621	5,443	-88.6	1	-	///	619	5,443
Guinea-Bissau	s	-	s	-	-	-	s	-
Kenya	3,565	129,264	-97.2	100	139	-28.1	3,464	129,125
Lesotho	-	-	-	-	4	-100.0	-	-4
Liberia	2,024	1,255	61.3	-	-	-	2,024	1,255
Libya	46,676	24,351	91.7	-	-	-	46,676	24,351
Madagascar	5,864	36,950	-84.1	247	622	-60.3	5,617	36,328
Malawi	s	8,733	s	4	103	-96.1	s	8,631
Mali	1,621	2,881	-43.7	-	1	-100.0	1,621	2,881
Mauritania	s	72,581	s	-	1	-100.0	s	72,580
Mauritius	14,973	13,523	10.7	67	53	26.4	14,905	13,469
Morocco	152,897	297,435	-48.6	65,203	20,583	216.8	87,694	276,852
Mozambique	39,323	36,559	7.6	2	-	///	39,321	36,559
Namibia	153	233	-34.3	1	1	-	152	232
Niger	1,691	1,687	0.2	-	-	-	1,691	1,687
Nigeria	2,331	182,542	-98.7	22	38	-42.1	2,308	182,504
Rwanda	-	4,278	-100.0	-	-	-	-	4,278
Senegal	49,504	57,058	-13.2	1	-	///	49,503	57,058
Sierra Leone	230	354	-35.0	3	43	-93.0	227	312
Somalia	s	s	s	0	366	-100.0	s	s
South Africa	68,247	170,163	-59.9	51,536	51,814	-0.5	16,711	118,349
South Sudan	s	s	s	-	-	-	s	s
Sudan	s	79	s	35	141	-75.2	s	-62
Territories linked to France	3,037	4,210	-27.9	-	-	-	3,037	4,210
Togo	495	6,572	-92.5	-	-	-	495	6,572
Tunisia	3,023	57,670	-94.8	3,193	6,170	-48.2	-170	51,500
Uganda	206	33,245	-99.4	-	25	-100.0	206	33,220

(continued)

**Table 3.** (continuation)

Continent, country, or non-independent territory (1)	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
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	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars	
United Republic of Tanzania	104	18,400	-99.4	27	0	///	77	18,400
Zambia	-	0	-100.0	2	-	///	-2	0
Zimbabwe	-	s	s	0	0	-56.9	0	s
Others	71	-	///	46	-	///	24	-
<b>America</b>	<b>8,066,732</b>	<b>7,817,591</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>8,239,807</b>	<b>6,878,722</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>-173,075</b>	<b>938,869</b>
Antigua and Barbuda	120	201	-40.3	-	0	-100.0	120	201
Aruba	697	293	137.9	0	-	///	696	293
Bahamas	15,576	259	///	2	2	-	15,574	256
Barbados	191	199	-4.0	-	7	-100.0	191	191
Belize	s	376	s	4	-	///	s	376
Bolivia, Plurinational State of	126,126	136,598	-7.7	222,664	249,221	-10.7	-96,538	-112,623
Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba	307	78,348	-99.6	-	-	-	307	78,348
Brazil	2,751,430	2,449,545	12.3	3,967,259	3,425,897	15.8	-1,215,829	-976,352
Free trade zone Manaus (Brazil)	s	s	s	17,319	12,781	35.5	s	s
Canada	176,243	165,105	6.7	69,649	134,207	-48.1	106,594	30,898
Chile	1,140,187	1,310,474	-13.0	184,230	202,679	-9.4	955,958	1,107,796
Free trade zone Iquique (Chile)	s	-	s	-	-	-	s	-
Free trade zone Punta Arenas (Chile)	225	282	-20.2	-	-	-	225	282
Colombia	392,093	235,489	66.5	92,115	95,247	-3.3	299,978	140,241
Costa Rica	33,238	23,383	42.1	6,510	3,967	64.1	26,727	19,416
Free trade zone Coyoil Alajuela (Costa Rica)	-	-	-	169	126	34.1	-169	-126
Cuba	54,070	78,392	-31.0	940	1,262	-25.5	53,130	77,129
Curaçao	2,233	2,466	-9.4	10	76	-86.8	2,222	2,389
Dominica	s	266	s	0	3	-86.7	s	263
Dominican Republic	141,601	64,931	118.1	1,227	1,403	-12.5	140,373	63,527
Ecuador	117,325	197,063	-40.5	100,622	93,274	7.9	16,703	103,789
El Salvador	12,475	14,387	-13.3	1,479	106	///	10,996	14,281
Grenada	1,031	s	s	-	-	-	1,031	s
Guatemala	63,134	65,389	-3.4	1,117	920	21.4	62,018	64,469
Guyana	858	876	-2.1	2	2	-	856	874
Haiti	1,920	10,343	-81.4	34	41	-17.1	1,887	10,302
Honduras	19,093	17,414	9.6	251	321	-21.8	18,842	17,093
Jamaica	19,758	443	///	3	30,186	-100.0	19,755	-29,743
Mexico	181,827	198,399	-8.4	374,573	389,312	-3.8	-192,747	-190,913
Nicaragua	22,055	19,503	13.1	153	93	64.5	21,902	19,410
Panama	36,336	32,876	10.5	112	193	-42.0	36,225	32,684
Free trade zone Colon (Panama)	774	2,944	-73.7	-	-	-	774	2,944
Paraguay	265,741	272,534	-2.6	1,072,000	473,895	126.2	-806,260	-201,361
Peru	809,332	621,851	30.1	50,163	62,390	-19.4	759,169	559,460
Saint Kitts and Nevis	44	44	-	-	23	-100.0	44	21
Saint Lucia	274	55	398.2	-	1	-100.0	274	54
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	s	56	s	-	-	-	s	56
Sint Maarten (Netherlands)	168	752	-77.7	-	-	-	168	752
Suriname	754	278	171.2	-	-	-	754	278
Territories linked to France	s	s	s	-	-	-	s	s
Territories linked to the United Kingdom	181	144	25.7	4	24	-83.3	178	119
Territories linked to the United States of America	52	20	160.0	-	-	-	52	20
Trinidad and Tobago	2,701	3,511	-23.1	52	11,924	-99.6	2,650	-8,413
United States of America	1,254,521	1,431,632	-12.4	1,922,623	1,471,610	30.6	-668,103	-39,978
Puerto Rico (Associated to the United States of America)	12,593	23,660	-46.8	11,301	22,738	-50.3	1,292	922
Uruguay	336,483	310,603	8.3	130,869	176,410	-25.8	205,614	134,193
Free trade zone Colonia (Uruguay)	3,009	4,360	-31.0	4,606	5,796	-20.5	-1,597	-1,436

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**Table 3.** (continuation)

Continent, country, or non-independent territory (1)	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>r</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>r</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>r</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>r</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>r</sup>
	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars	
Free trade zone Libertad (Uruguay)	s	265	s	3	-	///	s	265
Free trade zone Parque de las Ciencias (Uruguay)	2,547	1,938	31.4	71	33	115.2	2,477	1,905
Free trade zone Punta Pereira (Uruguay)	-	s	s	24	42	-42.9	-24	s
Free trade zone UPM Fray Bentos (Uruguay)	-	-	-	166	293	-43.3	-166	-293
Free trade zone Zonamerica (Uruguay)	1,221	974	25.4	-	-	-	1,221	974
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	64,837	38,541	68.2	396	935	-57.6	64,441	37,606
Others	2	-	///	7,084	11,279	-37.2	-7,083	-11,279
<b>Asia</b>	<b>4,136,867</b>	<b>5,784,075</b>	<b>-28.5</b>	<b>5,406,944</b>	<b>7,281,135</b>	<b>-25.7</b>	<b>-1,270,076</b>	<b>-1,497,061</b>
Afghanistan	s	s	s	123	1	///	s	s
Armenia	s	29	s	21	0	///	s	29
Azerbaijan	684	477	43.4	0	3	-98.9	684	474
Bahrain	5,807	380	///	361	46,105	-99.2	5,446	-45,725
Bangladesh	98,099	195,272	-49.8	7,068	4,568	54.7	91,032	190,703
Bhutan	s	-	s	-	-	-	s	-
Brunei Darussalam	s	s	s	12	0	///	s	s
Cambodia	2,050	1,330	54.1	7,021	4,694	49.6	-4,971	-3,363
China	1,203,512	1,225,398	-1.8	3,158,751	4,399,362	-28.2	-1,955,240	-3,173,963
China - Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region)	21,212	26,247	-19.2	3,629	2,111	71.9	17,583	24,135
China - Macao (Special Administrative Region)	-	-	-	119	151	-21.2	-119	-151
Georgia	11,974	6,367	88.1	322	547	-41.1	11,652	5,821
India	596,238	903,033	-34.0	333,422	410,977	-19.0	262,816	492,056
Indonesia	380,348	666,260	-42.9	70,031	92,330	-24.2	310,318	573,931
Iran, Islamic Republic of	345	58,206	-99.4	237	167	41.9	107	58,039
Iraq	19,511	66,187	-70.5	-	-	-	19,511	66,187
Israel	107,679	104,836	2.7	43,634	39,422	10.7	64,045	65,414
Japan	120,476	104,867	14.3	305,422	255,274	19.6	-184,946	-150,406
Jordan	27,772	14,365	93.3	760	282	169.5	27,013	14,083
Kazakhstan	2,382	892	167.0	452	742	-39.1	1,930	150
Korea, Republic of	230,126	351,494	-34.5	136,433	189,469	-28.0	93,693	162,025
Kuwait	17,802	15,829	12.5	-	63,566	-100.0	17,802	-47,737
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	-	0	84	-99.9	0	-84
Lebanon	23,756	14,869	59.8	72	61	18.0	23,685	14,808
Malaysia	379,991	309,133	22.9	93,853	97,395	-3.6	286,138	211,739
Maldives	42	276	-84.8	0	80	-99.9	42	197
Myanmar	879	8,963	-90.2	2,463	1,459	68.8	-1,584	7,505
Nepal	598	6,801	-91.2	1	10	-90.0	597	6,791
Oman	24,561	23,209	5.8	180	5,585	-96.8	24,381	17,625
Pakistan	9,062	55,811	-83.8	15,314	13,547	13.0	-6,253	42,263
Philippines	32,873	128,294	-74.4	29,232	29,849	-2.1	3,641	98,445
Qatar	4,625	5,360	-13.7	3,978	3,734	6.5	647	1,625
Saudi Arabia	133,975	156,674	-14.5	59,475	348,066	-82.9	74,499	-191,391
Singapore	19,919	23,931	-16.8	39,486	30,061	31.4	-19,567	-6,130
Sri Lanka	900	1,011	-11.0	1,945	4,341	-55.2	-1,045	-3,330
Syrian Arab Republic	8,635	6,994	23.5	-	-	-	8,635	6,994
Taiwan	59,138	161,517	-63.4	121,816	168,041	-27.5	-62,678	-6,524
Thailand	71,374	71,361	-	434,142	437,199	-0.7	-362,768	-365,838
Turkmenistan	s	-	s	7,255	-	///	s	-
United Arab Emirates	139,330	340,344	-59.1	133,887	283,916	-52.8	5,442	56,428
Uzbekistan	-	s	s	95	62	53.2	-95	s
Viet Nam	279,141	637,778	-56.3	389,930	347,715	12.1	-110,790	290,062
Yemen	87,336	84,023	3.9	-	-	-	87,336	84,023
Others	1,414	2,575	-45.1	6,002	163	///	-4,588	2,412

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**Table 3.** (continuation)

Continent, country, or non-independent territory <sup>(1)</sup>	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>
	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars	
<b>Europe</b>	<b>2,353,638</b>	<b>3,223,060</b>	<b>-27.0</b>	<b>3,093,691</b>	<b>3,289,519</b>	<b>-6.0</b>	<b>-740,054</b>	<b>-66,459</b>
Albania	2,233	953	134.3	73	214	-65.9	2,159	738
Austria	2,701	3,981	-32.2	42,742	57,599	-25.8	-40,041	-53,619
Belarus	409	16,367	-97.5	42	440	-90.5	367	15,927
Belgium	62,155	114,261	-45.6	85,402	295,672	-71.1	-23,247	-181,410
Bosnia and Herzegovina	401	2,647	-84.9	378	372	1.6	23	2,275
Bulgaria	3,320	6,666	-50.2	4,254	21,294	-80.0	-934	-14,628
Croatia	10,335	7,594	36.1	1,116	948	17.7	9,219	6,646
Cyprus	18,015	4,084	341.1	481	137	251.1	17,534	3,947
Czechia	3,356	3,464	-3.1	57,527	45,232	27.2	-54,172	-41,767
Denmark	26,282	22,231	18.2	50,565	49,072	3.0	-24,283	-26,840
Estonia	1,906	872	118.6	1,787	3,800	-53.0	120	-2,928
Finland	2,232	2,014	10.8	52,876	74,106	-28.6	-50,643	-72,092
France	85,392	123,959	-31.1	255,720	274,777	-6.9	-170,328	-150,818
Germany	180,733	184,715	-2.2	735,754	620,718	18.5	-555,021	-436,004
Greece	78,725	42,802	83.9	8,639	10,512	-17.8	70,085	32,290
Hungary	2,480	1,717	44.4	70,382	46,188	52.4	-67,902	-44,470
Iceland	2,566	1,264	103.0	312	237	31.6	2,254	1,026
Ireland	123,202	120,946	1.9	93,464	110,893	-15.7	29,738	10,053
Italy	172,274	196,855	-12.5	412,957	386,515	6.8	-240,683	-189,660
Latvia	27,191	37,081	-26.7	872	1,206	-27.7	26,319	35,875
Liechtenstein	0	-	///	294	668	-56.0	-294	-668
Lithuania	6,396	5,120	24.9	14,009	2,649	428.8	-7,613	2,471
Luxembourg	184	s	s	3,631	2,080	74.6	-3,447	s
Malta	5,478	213	///	322	239	34.7	5,156	-27
Monaco	s	s	s	109	72	51.4	s	s
Montenegro	s	434	s	0	0	///	s	434
Netherlands	364,488	1,058,633	-65.6	230,424	254,897	-9.6	134,064	803,736
North Macedonia	1,574	1,440	9.3	51	284	-82.0	1,523	1,155
Norway	6,905	7,853	-12.1	7,898	10,321	-23.5	-993	-2,467
Poland	105,643	172,011	-38.6	60,917	48,052	26.8	44,726	123,960
Portugal	28,728	23,070	24.5	27,949	63,993	-56.3	778	-40,923
Romania	3,961	9,209	-57.0	25,307	26,157	-3.2	-21,346	-16,949
Russian Federation	90,796	130,712	-30.5	22,267	113,495	-80.4	68,529	17,218
San Marino	-	-	-	123	200	-38.5	-123	-200
Serbia	2,659	1,294	105.5	3,156	4,292	-26.5	-497	-2,998
Slovakia	1,774	4,529	-60.8	15,759	15,166	3.9	-13,985	-10,637
Slovenia	812	796	2.0	6,829	6,514	4.8	-6,017	-5,718
Spain	327,106	301,439	8.6	326,128	285,564	14.0	978	15,875
Sweden	4,222	8,285	-49.0	74,722	54,687	36.6	-70,500	-46,402
Switzerland	325,669	294,943	10.5	135,314	129,171	4.7	190,355	165,772
Territories linked to the United Kingdom	s	-	s	-	-	-	s	-
Turkey	85,051	169,967	-50.0	111,755	72,645	53.8	-26,704	97,322
Ukraine	2,708	3,721	-27.2	2,418	3,238	-25.3	291	483
United Kingdom <sup>(2)</sup>	182,379	134,456	35.8	148,889	194,099	-23.2	33,490	-59,643
Others	676	382	77.0	77	1,104	-93.0	598	-722
<b>Oceania</b>	<b>132,003</b>	<b>226,774</b>	<b>-41.9</b>	<b>91,022</b>	<b>131,672</b>	<b>-31.1</b>	<b>40,982</b>	<b>95,102</b>
Australia	101,938	153,860	-33.7	86,966	126,612	-31.3	14,972	27,248
Fiji	-	-	-	-	0	-100.0	-	0
New Zealand	29,620	72,184	-59.0	4,051	5,025	-19.4	25,568	67,159
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	2	35	-94.3	-2	-35

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**Table 3. (concluded)**

Continent, country, or non-independent territory <sup>(1)</sup>	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>
	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars	
Solomon Islands	-	s	s	-	-	-	-	s
Territories linked to Australia	-	-	-	2	0	///	-2	0
Territories linked to France	446	680	-34.4	-	0	-100.0	446	680
Others	-	s	s	1	0	345.7	-1	s
<b>Indeterminate</b>	<b>287,833</b>	<b>293,634</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>191,725</b>	<b>191,705</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>96,108</b>	<b>101,929</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Free trade zones are presented separately from their respective countries.

<sup>(2)</sup> Including Northern Ireland.

Source: INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

**Table 4. Exports and imports by sections of the Harmonized System (HS) code, percentage share**

Section	Exports		Imports	
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>
	%			
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
I Live animals; animal products	10	9	0	1
II Vegetable products	20	28	8	3
III Animal or vegetable fats and oils	9	9	0	0
IV Foodstuffs; beverages; tobacco and its manufactures	16	17	2	2
V Mineral products	11	9	12	13
VI Products of the chemical or allied industries	6	8	16	17
VII Plastics; rubber; and articles thereof	2	2	6	7
VIII Leathers; leather and skin manufactures	1	1	0	0
IX Wood; wood charcoal; cork and its manufactures; manufacture of straw and other plaiting materials	0	0	0	0
X Wood pulp; paper; paperboard	1	1	2	2
XI Textiles and textile articles	0	1	2	3
XII Footwear; umbrellas; artificial flowers; and others	0	0	1	1
XIII Stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica, ceramic and glass manufactures	0	0	1	1
XIV Natural or cultured pearls; stones and precious metals; coins; and others	4	3	0	0
XV Base metals and its manufactures	3	2	8	7
XVI Machines, instruments; and other electric appliances	2	2	26	27
XVII Transport equipment	11	7	11	10
XVIII Optical, medical or surgical instruments; clocks; musical instruments	0	0	3	3
XIX Arms and ammunition	0	0	0	0
XX Miscellaneous manufactured articles	0	0	1	2
XXI Works of art; antiques	0	0	0	0
Special transactions	2	2	1	1

**Note:** totals may not match partial sums due to the effect of rounding.

**Source:** INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

**Table 5. Exports and imports by sections and chapters of the Harmonized System (HS) code**

Section/Chapter	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>
	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,887,525</b>	<b>19,354,318</b>	<b>-17.9</b>	<b>17,178,189</b>	<b>17,968,415</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>-1,290,664</b>
<b>I Live animals and products of animal origin</b>	<b>1,645,558</b>	<b>1,742,677</b>	<b>-5.6</b>	<b>66,614</b>	<b>104,824</b>	<b>-36.5</b>	<b>1,578,944</b>
01 Live animals	7,112	9,396	-24.3	8,256	5,120	61.3	-1,144
02 Meat and edible meat offal	785,864	919,676	-14.5	22,832	48,973	-53.4	763,032
03 Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates	464,561	402,517	15.4	16,809	32,110	-47.7	447,752
04 Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, n.e.s.o.i. (!)	374,349	394,829	-5.2	8,546	8,917	-4.2	365,803
05 Products of animal origin, n.e.s.o.i.	13,672	16,259	-15.9	10,171	9,705	4.8	3,501
<b>II Products of vegetable origin</b>	<b>3,221,211</b>	<b>5,356,641</b>	<b>-39.9</b>	<b>1,341,967</b>	<b>606,187</b>	<b>121.4</b>	<b>1,879,244</b>
06 Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage	s	s	s	1,980	2,129	-7.0	s
07 Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers	158,261	177,048	-10.6	7,622	8,460	-9.9	150,638
08 Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons	113,142	127,390	-11.2	136,215	129,699	5.0	-23,072
09 Coffee, tea, mate and spices	37,445	34,859	7.4	39,834	44,267	-10.0	-2,389
10 Cereals	2,373,538	4,584,899	-48.2	2,979	2,597	14.7	2,370,560
11 Products of the milling industry; malt; starches; inulin; wheat gluten	173,141	144,439	19.9	8,778	7,536	16.5	164,362
12 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits; industrial or medicinal plants; straw and fodder	360,972	281,688	28.1	1,128,527	394,093	186.4	-767,555
13 Lac; gums; resins and other vegetable saps and extracts	3,566	4,666	-23.6	15,176	16,321	-7.0	-11,610
14 Vegetable planting materials and vegetable products, n.e.s.o.i.	s	s	s	856	1,085	-21.1	s
<b>III Fats and oils</b>	<b>1,428,238</b>	<b>1,681,441</b>	<b>-15.1</b>	<b>30,774</b>	<b>62,352</b>	<b>-50.6</b>	<b>1,397,464</b>
15 Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes	1,428,238	1,681,441	-15.1	30,774	62,352	-50.6	1,397,464
<b>IV Foodstuffs, beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>2,497,727</b>	<b>3,271,350</b>	<b>-23.6</b>	<b>296,810</b>	<b>280,608</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>2,200,917</b>
16 Preparations of meat, fish, crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates	19,427	23,993	-19.0	38,016	42,796	-11.2	-18,589
17 Sugars and sugar confectionery	34,607	45,958	-24.7	13,147	13,395	-1.9	21,460
18 Cocoa and cocoa preparations	16,855	17,551	-4.0	55,124	51,110	7.9	-38,269
19 Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastrycooks' products	56,331	58,591	-3.9	22,019	17,626	24.9	34,312
20 Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants	167,944	159,568	5.2	18,144	28,046	-35.3	149,799
21 Miscellaneous edible preparations	40,678	45,519	-10.6	66,378	60,053	10.5	-25,700
22 Beverages, spirits and vinegar	181,461	204,554	-11.3	31,140	26,067	19.5	150,321
23 Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal fodder	1,916,096	2,644,776	-27.6	38,515	29,988	28.4	1,877,581
24 Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	64,327	70,839	-9.2	14,326	11,527	24.3	50,001
<b>V Mineral products</b>	<b>1,787,376</b>	<b>1,696,095</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>1,999,714</b>	<b>2,401,777</b>	<b>-16.7</b>	<b>-212,338</b>
25 Salt; sulphur, earths and stone; plastering materials, lime and cement	23,710	19,046	24.5	45,587	54,548	-16.4	-21,877
26 Ores, slag and ash	86,321	55,789	54.7	181,140	176,194	2.8	-94,820
27 Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral waxes	1,677,345	1,621,259	3.5	1,772,987	2,171,035	-18.3	-95,641

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**Table 5. (continuation)**

Section/Chapter	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>a</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>a</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>a</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>a</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>a</sup>
	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars
<b>VI Industrial products</b>	<b>994,737</b>	<b>1,606,864</b>	<b>-38.1</b>	<b>2,685,356</b>	<b>3,110,733</b>	<b>-13.7</b>	<b>-1,690,620</b>
28 Inorganic chemicals; organic or inorganic compounds of precious metals, rare-earth metals, radioactive elements or isotopes	278,234	146,385	90.1	244,996	228,660	7.1	33,238
29 Organic chemicals	111,050	132,677	-16.3	766,798	1,010,031	-24.1	-655,748
30 Pharmaceutical products	197,351	185,026	6.7	731,179	937,943	-22.0	-533,828
31 Fertilizers	11,840	9,333	26.9	148,560	130,149	14.1	-136,721
32 Tanning or dyeing extracts; tannins and their derivatives; dyes, pigments and other colouring matter; paints and varnishes; putty and other mastics; inks	24,774	30,394	-18.5	131,697	146,034	-9.8	-106,923
33 Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet preparations	78,064	100,074	-22.0	124,917	110,725	12.8	-46,853
34 Soap, washing and lubricating preparations, waxes, polishing or scouring preparations, candles, modelling pastes and dental preparations with a basis of plaster	48,497	54,171	-10.5	101,469	112,656	-9.9	-52,972
35 Albuminoidal substances; modified starches; glues; enzymes	48,232	46,991	2.6	60,777	58,579	3.8	-12,544
36 Explosives; pyrotechnic products; matches; pyrophoric alloys; certain combustible preparations	1,780	1,292	37.8	3,961	4,019	-1.4	-2,181
37 Photographic or cinematographic goods	21	142	-85.2	10,280	11,453	-10.2	-10,259
38 Miscellaneous chemical products	194,894	900,381	-78.4	360,723	360,482	0.1	-165,829
<b>VII Plastic, rubber and its manufactures</b>	<b>243,573</b>	<b>338,433</b>	<b>-28.0</b>	<b>1,082,436</b>	<b>1,254,554</b>	<b>-13.7</b>	<b>-838,862</b>
39 Plastics and articles thereof	203,184	291,437	-30.3	791,948	912,467	-13.2	-588,763
40 Rubber and articles thereof	40,389	46,996	-14.1	290,488	342,087	-15.1	-250,099
<b>VIII Leathers and leather manufactures (except footwear)</b>	<b>101,573</b>	<b>118,405</b>	<b>-14.2</b>	<b>46,095</b>	<b>39,400</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>55,479</b>
41 Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather	95,792	110,600	-13.4	7,274	6,866	5.9	88,518
42 Articles of leather; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of gut	3,483	3,552	-1.9	38,755	32,142	20.6	-35,272
43 Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	2,299	4,252	-45.9	66	392	-83.2	2,233
<b>IX Wood, charcoal, cork, cork manufactures, cross-ties of wood</b>	<b>63,482</b>	<b>76,667</b>	<b>-17.2</b>	<b>47,062</b>	<b>52,113</b>	<b>-9.7</b>	<b>16,420</b>
44 Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	63,421	76,601	-17.2	32,387	40,229	-19.5	31,034
45 Cork and articles of cork	s	s	s	13,769	9,890	39.2	s
46 Manufactures of straw, esparto or other plaiting materials; basketware and wickerwork	s	s	s	906	1,995	-54.6	s
<b>X Wood pulp, paper, paperboard</b>	<b>83,757</b>	<b>106,913</b>	<b>-21.7</b>	<b>296,725</b>	<b>313,539</b>	<b>-5.4</b>	<b>-212,968</b>
47 Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; recovered (waste and scrap) paper or paperboard	30,873	33,927	-9.0	58,205	57,224	1.7	-27,332
48 Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard	45,223	65,238	-30.7	225,410	239,086	-5.7	-180,188
49 Printed books, newspapers, pictures and other printed products; manuscripts, typescripts and plans	7,661	7,748	-1.1	13,110	17,229	-23.9	-5,449
<b>XI Textiles and textile articles</b>	<b>55,121</b>	<b>135,930</b>	<b>-59.4</b>	<b>396,552</b>	<b>495,807</b>	<b>-20.0</b>	<b>-341,431</b>
50 Silk	-	-	-	7	9	-22.2	-7
51 Wool, fine or coarse animal hair; horsehair yarn and woven fabric	29,574	37,924	-22.0	921	665	38.5	28,652
52 Cotton	2,149	64,107	-96.6	21,694	33,021	-34.3	-19,545
53 Other vegetable textile fibres; paper yarn and woven fabrics of paper yarn	s	30	s	2,446	2,756	-11.2	s

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**Table 5.** (continuation)

Section/Chapter	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>
	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars
54 Man-made filaments; strip and the like of man-made textile materials	6,933	10,376	-33.2	52,712	99,397	-47.0	-45,779
55 Man-made staple fibres	482	1,505	-68.0	58,346	73,622	-20.7	-57,864
56 Wadding, felt and nonwovens; special yarns; twine, cordage, ropes and cables and articles thereof	7,103	10,493	-32.3	24,815	39,409	-37.0	-17,712
57 Carpets and other textile floor covering	349	496	-29.6	4,604	5,164	-10.8	-4,255
58 Special woven fabrics; tufted textile fabrics; lace; tapestries; trimmings; embroidery	s	456	s	5,123	8,262	-38.0	s
59 Impregnated, coated, covered or laminated textile fabrics; textile articles suitable for industrial use	1,003	1,066	-5.9	27,178	31,326	-13.2	-26,175
60 Knitted or crocheted fabrics	441	816	-46.0	67,145	91,793	-26.9	-66,704
61 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	3,737	4,354	-14.2	53,107	30,033	76.8	-49,370
62 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted	2,091	2,539	-17.6	63,561	46,098	37.9	-61,470
63 Made up textile articles n.e.s.o.i.; sets; worn clothing and worn textile articles; rags	950	1,769	-46.3	14,894	34,251	-56.5	-13,944
<b>XII Footwear, umbrellas, artificial flowers and others</b>	<b>2,780</b>	<b>2,409</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>177,129</b>	<b>157,433</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>-174,350</b>
64 Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	2,499	1,980	26.2	165,957	141,370	17.4	-163,459
65 Headgear and parts thereof	277	384	-27.9	8,028	11,333	-29.2	-7,751
66 Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof	4	s	s	1,187	2,091	-43.2	-1,183
67 Prepared feathers and down and articles thereof; artificial flowers; articles of human hair	0	s	s	1,957	2,639	-25.8	-1,957
<b>XIII Stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica, ceramic and glass manufactures</b>	<b>40,855</b>	<b>36,787</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>138,040</b>	<b>202,824</b>	<b>-31.9</b>	<b>-97,185</b>
68 Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials	10,402	12,270	-15.2	37,390	53,027	-29.5	-26,989
69 Ceramic products	7,171	11,785	-39.2	38,392	59,419	-35.4	-31,221
70 Glass and glassware	23,282	12,733	82.8	62,258	90,377	-31.1	-38,976
<b>XIV Fine pearls, stones and precious metals, coins and others</b>	<b>660,242</b>	<b>673,799</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>26,626</b>	<b>54,593</b>	<b>-51.2</b>	<b>633,616</b>
71 Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal, and articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin	660,242	673,799	-2.0	26,626	54,593	-51.2	633,616
<b>XV Common metals and manufactures</b>	<b>518,627</b>	<b>452,098</b>	<b>14.7</b>	<b>1,343,730</b>	<b>1,318,659</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>-825,103</b>
72 Iron and steel	72,497	110,988	-34.7	490,759	503,349	-2.5	-418,262
73 Articles of iron or steel	199,302	174,417	14.3	425,203	280,057	51.8	-225,901
74 Copper and articles thereof	470	852	-44.8	94,005	142,376	-34.0	-93,534
75 Nickel and articles thereof	2,211	11	///	7,915	9,007	-12.1	-5,704
76 Aluminum and articles thereof	232,841	154,792	50.4	102,240	141,081	-27.5	130,602
78 Lead and articles thereof	s	s	s	1,050	1,309	-19.8	s
79 Zinc and articles thereof	690	106	///	31,113	39,344	-20.9	-30,423
80 Tin and articles thereof	s	s	s	4,386	4,514	-2.8	s
81 Other base metals; cermets; articles thereof	261	226	15.5	6,574	16,760	-60.8	-6,314
82 Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof of base metal	3,419	3,605	-5.2	82,120	84,092	-2.3	-78,701
83 Miscellaneous articles of base metal	6,769	6,394	5.9	98,365	96,772	1.6	-91,596

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**Table 5. (concluded)**

Section/Chapter	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance
	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>*</sup>	Year-on-year percentage change	Cumulative value Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>*</sup>
	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars		%	Thousands of dollars
<b>XVI Machines, instruments and electric materials</b>	<b>365,021</b>	<b>326,784</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>4,416,608</b>	<b>4,818,495</b>	<b>-8.3</b>	<b>-4,051,587</b>
84 Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	322,223	285,062	13.0	2,555,698	2,856,098	-10.5	-2,233,475
85 Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television recorders	42,798	41,722	2.6	1,860,910	1,962,397	-5.2	-1,818,112
<b>XVII Transport equipment</b>	<b>1,767,251</b>	<b>1,321,865</b>	<b>33.7</b>	<b>1,901,608</b>	<b>1,749,582</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>-134,358</b>
86 Railway or tramway locomotives, rolling-stock, track fixtures and fittings, and parts thereof; mechanical traffic signalling equipment	978	1,091	-10.4	24,036	6,785	254.3	-23,058
87 Vehicles, other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof	1,714,378	1,294,407	32.4	1,824,186	1,692,742	7.8	-109,808
88 Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof	50,927	23,487	116.8	49,291	36,648	34.5	1,635
89 Ships, boats and floating structures	968	2,880	-66.4	4,095	13,407	-69.5	-3,127
<b>XVIII Optical, medical or surgical instruments, watches and musical instruments</b>	<b>25,309</b>	<b>25,878</b>	<b>-2.2</b>	<b>462,255</b>	<b>470,513</b>	<b>-1.8</b>	<b>-436,947</b>
90 Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; parts and accessories thereof	24,509	24,836	-1.3	448,821	451,250	-0.5	-424,312
91 Clocks and watches and parts thereof	418	767	-45.5	10,095	13,084	-22.8	-9,677
92 Musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof	381	275	38.5	3,339	6,179	-46.0	-2,958
<b>XIX Arms and ammunition</b>	<b>2,284</b>	<b>4,004</b>	<b>-43.0</b>	<b>3,123</b>	<b>5,482</b>	<b>-43.0</b>	<b>-839</b>
93 Arms and ammunition; parts and accessories thereof	2,284	4,004	-43.0	3,123	5,482	-43.0	-839
<b>XX Commodities and different products</b>	<b>21,711</b>	<b>25,171</b>	<b>-13.7</b>	<b>227,038</b>	<b>275,938</b>	<b>-17.7</b>	<b>-205,327</b>
94 Furniture; bedding, cushions, etc.; lamps and lighting fittings n.e.s.o.i.; illuminated signs, nameplates and the like; prefabricated buildings	7,943	8,315	-4.5	104,899	127,482	-17.7	-96,956
95 Toys, games and sports requisites; parts and accessories thereof	1,306	2,110	-38.1	69,180	85,346	-18.9	-67,873
96 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	12,462	14,746	-15.5	52,959	63,109	-16.1	-40,497
<b>XXI Works of art, antiques</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>127.7</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1,143</b>	<b>-97.6</b>	<b>522</b>
97 Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	551	242	127.7	28	1,143	-97.6	522
<b>Special transactions</b>	<b>360,540</b>	<b>353,868</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>191,898</b>	<b>191,859</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>168,642</b>
Transportation fuel supply	326,009	324,643	0.4	86,922	43,671	99.0	239,087
Supply of ships and aircrafts excluding fuels and lubricants	19,631	13,777	42.5	7,489	4,613	62.3	12,142
Simplified exports and imports	13	s	s	-	-	-	13
Couriers	14,588	15,153	-3.7	97,315	143,421	-32.1	-82,727
Samples	299	s	s	173	154	12.3	126

(<sup>1</sup>) Not elsewhere specified or included.

Source: INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

**Table 6. Exports by main groups of commodities according to the Harmonized System (HS) code**

Groups of commodities		Cumulative value	Cumulative value	Year-on-year percentage change
		Jan-Mar 2023 <sup>e</sup>	Jan-Mar 2022 <sup>f</sup>	
		Millions of dollars		%
Total		15,888	19,354	-17.9
230400	Oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soya-bean oil	1,674	2,433	-31.2
100590	Maize (excluding seed for sowing)	1,426	1,729	-17.5
870421	Motor vehicles for the transport of goods, with compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine diesel or semi-diesel engine of a gross vehicle weight <= 5 t	1,035	731	41.6
150710	Crude soya-bean oil, whether or not degummed	990	1,235	-19.8
270900	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude	786	968	-18.8
710812	Gold, including gold plated with platinum, unwrought, for non-monetary purposes (excluding gold in powder form)	546	529	3.2
100390	Barley (excluding seed for sowing)	476	556	-14.4
020230	Frozen, boneless meat of bovine animals	427	543	-21.4
100199	Wheat and meslin (excluding seed for sowing, and durum wheat)	369	2,211	-83.3
271121	Natural gas in gaseous state	273	150	82.0
030617	Frozen shrimps and prawns, even smoked, whether in shell or not, including shrimps and prawns in shell, cooked by steaming or by boiling in water (excluding cold-water shrimps and prawns)	240	187	28.3
120242	Groundnuts, shelled, whether or not broken (excluding seed for sowing, roasted or otherwise cooked)	240	210	14.3
283691	Lithium carbonates	s	s	s
020130	Fresh or chilled bovine meat, boneless	195	188	4.3
870322	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of <10 persons, including station wagons and racing cars, with only spark-ignition internal combustion reciprocating piston engine of a cylinder capacity > 1,000 cm <sup>3</sup> but <= 1,500 cm <sup>3</sup>	188	171	9.9
271012	Light oils and preparations, of petroleum or bituminous minerals	169	159	7.0
870333	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of <10 persons, including station wagons and racing cars, with only diesel engine of a cylinder capacity > 2,500 cm <sup>3</sup>	s	s	s
760110	Aluminium, not alloyed, unwrought	s	s	s
220421	Wine of fresh grapes, including fortified wines, and grape must whose fermentation has been arrested by the addition of alcohol, in containers of <= 2 l (excluding sparkling wine)	146	159	-8.2
151211	Crude sunflower-seed or safflower oil	146	211	-30.8
271019	Medium oils and preparations, of petroleum or bituminous minerals, not containing biodiesel, n.e.s. (!)	123	18	///
150790	Soya-bean oil and its fractions, whether or not refined (excluding chemically modified and crude)	116	64	84.1
870321	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of <10 persons, including station wagons and racing cars, with only spark-ignition internal combustion reciprocating piston engine of a cylinder capacity <= 1,000 cm <sup>3</sup> (excluding vehicles for travelling on snow and other specially designed vehicles of subheading 870310)	114	0	///
710691	Silver, including silver plated with gold or platinum, unwrought (excluding silver in powder form)	112	144	-22.2
040221	Milk and cream in solid forms, of a fat content by weight of > 1.5%, unsweetened	111	168	-33.9
030743	Cuttle fish and squid, frozen, with or without shell	109	93	17.2
730429	Casing and tubing, seamless, of iron or steel, of a kind used in drilling for oil or gas (excluding products of cast iron)	s	113	s
271112	Propane, liquefied	93	131	-29.0
271311	Petroleum coke, non-calcined	84	30	180.0
300490	Medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic purposes, put up in measured doses including those for transdermal administration or in forms or packings for retail sale (excluding containing antibiotics, hormones or steroids used as hormones, alkaloids, provitamins, vitamins, their derivatives or antimalarial active principles)	82	75	9.3
261610	Silver ores and concentrates	82	s	s
080830	Fresh pears	80	88	-9.1
110710	Malt (excluding roasted)	80	56	42.9
271113	Butanes, liquefied (excluding of a purity of >= 95% of N-butane or isobutane)	79	93	-15.1
230250	Bran, sharps and other residues of leguminous plants, whether or not in the form of pellets, derived from sifting, milling or other working	79	76	3.9
840820	Engines of a kind used for the propulsion of vehicles of chapter 87	79	76	2.6
071333	Dried, shelled kidney beans <i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i> , whether or not skinned or split	71	60	18.3
870840	Gear boxes and parts thereof, for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, motor vehicles for the transport of goods and special purpose motor vehicles, n.e.s.	63	53	18.9
200410	Potatoes, prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, frozen	63	57	10.5
230630	Oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of sunflower seeds	58	38	56.8
240120	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed or stripped, otherwise unmanufactured	57	63	-9.5
760120	Unwrought aluminium alloys	s	65	s
040690	Cheese (excluding fresh cheese, including whey cheese, curd, processed cheese, blue-veined cheese and other cheese containing veins produced by "Penicillium roqueforti", and grated or powdered cheese)	51	39	30.8
410441	Full grains leather, unsplit and grain splits leather, in the dry state crust, of hides and skins of bovine including buffalo or equine animals, without hair on (excluding further prepared)	49	68	-27.9
880240	Aeroplanes and other powered aircraft of an of an unladen weight > 15,000 kg (excluding helicopters and dirigibles)	s	s	s
040610	Fresh cheese (unripened or uncured) cheese, including whey cheese, and curd	48	35	37.1
110100	Wheat or meslin flour	47	43	9.3
070320	Garlic, fresh or chilled	47	61	-23.0
020714	Frozen cuts and edible offal of fowls of the species <i>Gallus domesticus</i>	47	53	-11.3
040900	Natural honey	46	55	-16.4
<b>Others</b>		<b>3,760</b>	<b>4,712</b>	<b>-20.2</b>

(!) Not elsewhere specified.

Source: INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

Table 7.

## Imports by main groups of commodities according to the Harmonized System (HS) code

Groups of commodities		Cumulative value	Cumulative value	Year-on-year percentage change
		Jan-Mar 2023*	Jan-Mar 2022*	
Total		Millions of dollars		%
		17,178	17,968	-4.4
120190	Soya beans, whether or not broken (excluding seed for sowing)	1,101	365	201.6
271019	Medium oils and preparations, of petroleum or bituminous minerals, not containing biodiesel, n.e.s. (1)	925	1,340	-31.0
851770	Parts of telephone sets, telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks and of other apparatus for the transmission or reception of voice, images or other data, n.e.s.	490	407	20.4
271012	Light oils and preparations, of petroleum or bituminous minerals	248	326	-23.9
300490	Medicaments consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic purposes, put up in measured doses including those for transdermal administration or in forms or packings for retail sale (excluding containing antibiotics, hormones or steroids used as hormones, alkaloids, provitamins, vitamins, their derivatives or antimalarial active principles)	231	235	-1.7
870840	Gear boxes and parts thereof, for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, motor vehicles for the transport of goods and special purpose motor vehicles, n.e.s.	231	164	40.9
870829	Parts and accessories of bodies for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, motor vehicles for the transport of goods and special purpose motor vehicles (excluding bumpers and parts thereof and safety seat belts)	203	147	38.1
271600	Electrical energy	193	68	183.8
870322	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of <10 persons, including station wagons and racing cars, with only spark-ignition internal combustion reciprocating piston engine of a cylinder capacity > 1,000 cm <sup>3</sup> but <= 1,500 cm <sup>3</sup>	187	168	11.3
271121	Natural gas in gaseous state	178	215	-17.2
300215	Immunological products, put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale	173	239	-27.3
851762	Machines for the reception, conversion and transmission or regeneration of voice, images or other data, including switching and routing apparatus (excluding telephone sets, telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks)	161	188	-14.4
730511	Line pipe of a kind used for oil or gas pipelines, having circular cross-sections and an external diameter of > 406.4 mm, of iron or steel, longitudinally submerged arc welded	160	0	///
840820	Compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine diesel or semi-diesel engine, for the propulsion of vehicles of chapter 87	154	124	24.2
260112	Agglomerated iron ores and concentrates (excluding roasted iron pyrites)	153	125	22.4
870323	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of <10 persons, including station wagons and racing cars, with only spark-ignition internal combustion reciprocating piston engine of a cylinder capacity > 1,500 cm <sup>3</sup> but <= 3,000 cm <sup>3</sup>	150	182	-17.6
293139	Separate chemically defined organo-phosphorous derivatives, n.e.s.	134	202	-33.7
870899	Parts and accessories, for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, motor vehicles for the transport of goods and special purpose motor vehicles, n.e.s.	133	109	22.0
840999	Parts suitable for use solely or principally with compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine diesel or semi-diesel engine, n.e.s.	125	124	0.8
300220	Vaccines for human medicine	125	249	-49.8
870850	Drive-axles with differential, whether or not provided with other transmission components, and non-driving axles, and parts thereof, for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, motor vehicles for the transport of goods and special purpose motor vehicles, n.e.s.	102	68	50.0
852990	Parts suitable for use solely or principally with transmission and reception apparatus for radio-broadcasting or television, television cameras, digital cameras, video camera recorders, radar apparatus, radio navigational aid apparatus or radio remote control apparatus, monitors and projectors, n.e.s. (excluding for aerials and aerial reflectors of all kinds)	99	143	-30.8
270112	Bituminous coal, whether or not pulverised, non-agglomerated	99	109	-9.2
848180	Appliances for pipes, boiler shells, tanks, vats or the like (excluding pressure-reducing valves, valves for the control of pneumatic power transmission, check non-return valves and safety or relief valves)	91	71	28.2
080390	Fresh or dried bananas (excluding plantains)	91	80	13.8
840734	Spark-ignition reciprocating piston engine, of a kind used for vehicles of chapter 87, of a cylinder capacity > 1,000 cm <sup>3</sup>	80	49	63.3
720851	Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width >= 600 mm, not in coils, simply hot-rolled, not clad, plated or coated, of a thickness of > 10 mm, without patterns in relief	78	13	500.0
380893	Herbicides, anti-sprouting products and plant-growth regulators, put up in forms or packings for retail sale or as preparations or articles (excluding goods of subheading 380859)	77	65	18.5
281820	Aluminium oxide (excluding artificial corundum)	76	68	11.8
847130	Data-processing machines, automatic, portable, weighing <= 10 kg, consisting of at least a central processing unit, a keyboard and a display (excluding peripheral units)	75	206	-63.6
390690	Acrylic polymers, in primary forms: excluding poly (methyl methacrylate)	74	64	15.6
870830	Brakes and servo-brakes and their parts, for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, motor vehicles for the transport of goods and special purpose motor vehicles, n.e.s.	73	55	32.7
871120	Motorcycles, including mopeds, with reciprocating internal combustion piston engine of a cylinder capacity > 50 cm <sup>3</sup> but <= 250 cm <sup>3</sup>	67	99	-32.3

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**Table 7. (concluded)**

Groups of commodities		Cumulative value	Cumulative value	Year-on-year
		Jan-Mar 2023*	Jan-Mar 2022*	percentage change
		Millions of dollars		%
854430	Ignition wiring sets and other wiring sets for vehicles, aircraft or ships	66	54	22.2
903289	Regulating or controlling instruments and apparatus (excluding hydraulic or pneumatic, manostats, thermostats, and taps, cocks and valves of heading 8481)	64	58	12.3
300439	Medicaments containing hormones or steroids used as hormones but not antibiotics, put up in measured doses including those for transdermal administration or in forms or packings for retail sale (excluding medicaments containing insulin or corticosteroid hormones, their derivatives or structural analogues)	63	53	18.9
392690	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s (excluding goods of 9619)	63	78	-19.2
382499	Chemical products and preparations of the chemical or allied industries, including those consisting of mixtures of natural products, n.e.s.	59	56	5.4
721049	Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of $\geq$ 600 mm, hot-rolled or cold-rolled "cold-reduced", not corrugated, plated or coated with zinc (excluding electrolytically plated or coated with zinc)	59	57	3.5
293339	Heterocyclic compounds with nitrogen hetero-atom[s] only, containing an unfused pyridine ring, whether or not hydrogenated	57	74	-23.0
841990	Parts of machinery, plant and laboratory equipment, whether or not electrically heated, for the treatment of materials by a process involving a change of temperature, and of non-electric instantaneous and storage water heaters, n.e.s.	57	12	375.0
640411	Sports footwear, including, tennis shoes, basketball shoes, gym shoes, training shoes and the like, with outer soles of rubber or plastics and uppers of textile materials	56	41	36.6
870870	Road wheels and parts and accessories thereof, for tractors, motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, motor vehicles for the transport of goods and special purpose motor vehicles, n.e.s.	55	38	44.7
841480	Air pumps, air or other gas compressors and ventilating or recycling hoods incorporating a fan, whether or not fitted with filters, having a maximum horizontal side > 120 cm (excluding vacuum pumps, hand- or foot-operated air pumps, compressors for refrigerating equipment and air compressors mounted on a wheeled chassis for towing)	55	43	25.6
401110	New pneumatic tyres, of rubber, of a kind used for motor cars, including station wagons and racing cars	54	43	25.6
851220	Electrical lighting or visual signalling equipment for motor vehicles (excluding lamps of heading 8539)	54	42	28.6
843390	Parts of harvesting machinery, threshing machinery, mowers and machines for cleaning, sorting or grading agricultural produce, n.e.s.	54	40	35.0
390110	Polyethylene with a specific gravity of < 0.94, in primary forms	53	75	-29.3
293499	Nucleic acids and their salts, whether or not chemically defined; heterocyclic compounds (excluding with oxygen only or with nitrogen hetero-atom[s] only, compounds containing in the structure an unfused thiazole ring or a benzothiazole or phenothiazine ring-system, not further fused and aminorex "INN", brotizolam "INN", clotiazepam "INN", cloxazolam "INN", dextromoramide "INN", haloxazolam "INN", ketazolam "INN", mesocarb "INN", oxazolam "INN", pemoline "INN", phendimetrazine "INN", phenmetrazine "INN", sufentanil "INN", and salts thereof, and inorganic or organic compounds of mercury whether or not chemically defined, and products of 3002 10)	51	48	6.3
470329	Semi-bleached or bleached non-coniferous chemical wood pulp, soda or sulphate (excluding dissolving grades)	51	46	10.9
<b>Others</b>		<b>45,549</b>	<b>36,689</b>	<b>24.1</b>

(<sup>1</sup>) Not elsewhere specified.

Source: INDEC, National Directorate of External Sector Statistics and International Accounts.

## Economic areas

**Southern Common Market (Mercosur):** Argentina; Brazil; Paraguay; Uruguay; Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and free trade zones.

**Chile:** includes free trade zones.

**Rest of the Latin American Integration Association (Rest of ALADI):** Bolivia (Plurinational State of); Colombia; Cuba; Ecuador; Peru and free trade zones.

**Central American Integration System (SICA):** Belize; Costa Rica; Dominican Republic; El Salvador; Guatemala; Honduras; Nicaragua; Panama and free trade zones.

**USMCA:**<sup>1</sup> Canada; Mexico; and the United States of America (includes Puerto Rico and linked territories in America and Oceania).

**European Union (EU):**<sup>2</sup> Austria; Belgium; Bulgaria; Croatia; Cyprus; Czechia; Denmark; Estonia; Finland; Germany; Greece; Hungary; Ireland; Italy; Latvia; Lithuania; Luxembourg; Malta; Netherlands; Poland; Portugal; Romania; Slovakia; Slovenia; Spain (includes Canary Islands); and Sweden.

**United Kingdom:** includes Northern Ireland.

**Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN):** Brunei Darussalam; Cambodia; Indonesia; Laos; Malaysia; Myanmar; Philippines; Singapore; Thailand; and Viet Nam.

**China:** includes Hong Kong and Macao.

**Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS):** Armenia; Belarus; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyzstan; Republic of Moldova; Russian Federation; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan; and Uzbekistan.

**Middle East:** Bahrain; Iran; Iraq; Israel; Jordan; Kuwait; Lebanon; Oman; Qatar; Saudi Arabia; Syrian Arab Republic and Palestine; Yemen; and United Arab Emirates.

**Egypt and the Arab Maghreb Union:** Algeria; Egypt; Libya; Morocco; Mauritania; and Tunisia.

**South Africa Customs Union (SACU):** Botswana; Lesotho; Namibia; South Africa; and Eswatini.

**Oceania:** Australia; British territory (Pitcairn Islands); Fiji; Kiribati; Federated States of Micronesia; Marshall Islands; Nauru; New Zealand; Northern Mariana Islands; Palau; Papua New Guinea; Solomon Islands; Samoa; territories linked to Australia; territories linked to France; territories linked to New Zealand; Tonga; Tuvalu; and Vanuatu.

<sup>1</sup> The United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), which entered into force on 1 July 2020, replacing NAFTA.

<sup>2</sup> As of February 2020, the European Union consists of 27 member states. The data for the United Kingdom are presented separately.