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INTRODUCTION

The National Institute of Statistics and Census (INDEC) presents the Argentine Foreign Trade Statistics publication, whose objective is to disseminate information about exports and imports of merchandises by, respectively, country of destination and origin.

This publication has been prepared to offer in a synthetical manner the performance of the argentine international trade in order to provide updated information to the world community.

Quarterly issues of this publication are available in february, may, august and november. It reports information of the last complete calendar year, and accumulated data of the current year. The present edition includes annual data for 1996 and the accumulated for the first six month of 1997.

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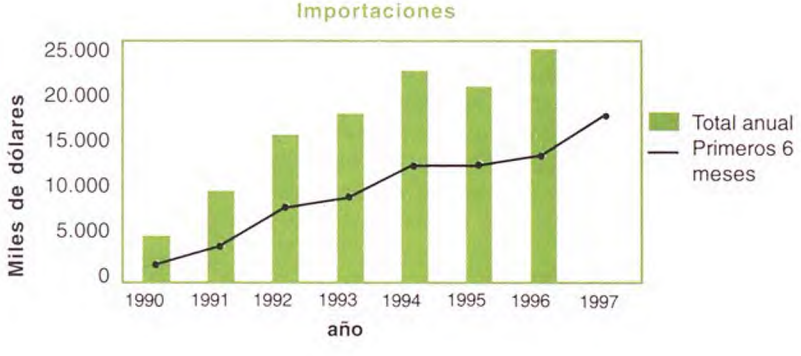

CONCEPTUAL AND METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Basic Information

INDEC foreign trade statistics are based on the customs declaration forms that register imports and exports of goods.

Since 1995, complementary sources of information have been incorporated because of the lack of customs declaration forms regarding certain exports and imports transactions which should be included in the foreign trade statistics; this is the case of trade on electrical energy by binational entities such as Salto Grande, Yaciretá and others.

The customs declaration forms are registered in an interactive entry system which controls the validity of the data, and allows to detect not received documentation in order to claim them to the customs.

Statistics Coverage

The primary objective of the official statistics on ARGENTINE FOREIGN TRADE is to measure the change in the stock of material resources of the country resulting from the movement of merchandises into or out Argentina.

The transactions can be classified into two main groups: ordinaries and of special treatment.

In ordinary transactions importers and exporters receive or send merchandises through usual change operations and have no transportation pecularities. These operations are included in the statistics and are classified since 1995 according to the MERCOSUR Common Nomeclature also based on the Harmonized System.

There are some transactions of special treatment which are also included in the statistics such as:

- samples
- donations
- temporary admission of goods for processing
- no tangible objects as natural gas or electricity

Special treatment transactions excluded from statistics are:

- goods consigned by the government to their representatives abroad
- monetary gold
- luggage and personal belongings of international passengers
- goods in transit
- military goods
- trade between the continental argentine territory and Tierra del Fuego Special Customs Area.

COMMERCIAL SYSTEM

The national compilation of the international merchandise trade statistics is based on the special system (except electricity and trade between the continental territory and the Special Customs Area) by which imports and exports are registered on their way through customs, according to the United Nations Statistical Office definition. On the contrary, those countries which use the general trade system, register the transactions when goods cross the boundary of the national territory. This concept implies that the statistical frontier coincides with the geographic limits of the country, while for the special system the statistical border is the customs frontier.

STATISTICAL PERIOD

For the compilation of imports, the statistical period corresponds to the dispatch time independently from the arrival of the merchandises to the country; at the same time, exports are registered according to the final load for shipment date.

VALUES

The value assigned to exports is FOB-type value (free on board), on the port or loading place of the merchandises. It means that the transaction price also includes the cost to deliver goods to the port or loading place.

The imports are registered on a CIF-type basis, although it is also available information on imports FOB valued. The CIF value includes the FOB value plus the freight and insurance (duties are excluded) to deliver the merchandise from the port or loading place, to the first port or place of arrival in Argentina.

The values expressed in different currency from american dollars are converted to that currency according to the monthly average exchange rate, elaborated by the Banco de la Nación Argentina (buyer for the exports, seller for the imports).

TRADING PARTNER

Imports can be classified according to the country of consignment or origin. The definitions recommended by the Customs Cooperation Counseil are:

Country of consignment is the place "from which merchandises were initially dispatched to the importer country with no commercial intermediaries".

Country of origin is the place "from which merchandises have been produced or manufactured according to the established criteria to apply the customs tariffs, quantity restrictions or any other trade related measure.

Traditionally, INDEC has published imports data according to the consignment country. Starting in 1995, the country of origin is officially used to define the argentine imports partner country, even when the information according to the country of consignment will continue being elaborated. Data according to the country of origin is available from 1987. Exports are classified according to the country of destination.

Country of destination is the place "declared at the moment of shipment as the country where finally merchandises will be delivered".

For the imports and exports statistics, data by country are grouped in two different manners: by continent or by an specific economic area.

Table 1.- Argentine foreign trade by economic areas.

Period	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*		1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*		1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*
	Thousand of dollars		Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	Thousand of dollars		Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	Thousand of dollars	
Total	**23.810.717**	**12.583.166**	**10,9**	**23.761.809**	**13.918.131**	**29,9**	**48.908**	**- 1.334.965**
Mercosur	7.925.314	4.224.120	18,2	5.809.060	3.381.774	29,0	2.116.254	842.346
Nafta	2.297.409	1.121.437	-1,2	5.535.875	3.322.412	28,6	- 3.238.466	- 2.200.975
E.U.	4.562.428	2.053.498	-15,0	6.901.679	4.051.423	31,7	- 2.339.251	- 1.997.925
ASEAN	781.239	367.886	- 4,8	395.878	240.184	44,4	385.361	127.702
Rest	8.244.327	4.816.225	25,7	5.119.317	2.922.338	29,1	3.125.010	1.893.887

Table 2.- Exports and imports, percent distribution by main countries of destination and origin.

Country of destination	Exports (FOB)		Country of origin	Imports (CIF)	
	1996 %	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997* %		1996 %	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997* %
Total	**100**	**100**	**Total**	**100**	**100**
Brazil	28	28	Brazil	22	22
United States	8	8	United States	20	20
Chile	7	7	Italy	6	6
Netherlands	5	4	Germany	6	6
Spain	3	3	France	5	5
Italy	3	3	Spain	4	4
Uruguay	3	3	Japan	3	3
Irán	3	3	China	3	3
China	3	2	United Kindom	2	3
Paraguay	2	2	Chile	2	2
Rest	35	37	Rest	27	26

* Preliminary figures

Table 3.- Exports and imports according to continent and country of destination and origin.

Continent and Country	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	1997*
	Thousands of dollars							
Total	**23.810.717**	**12.583.166**	**10.9**	**23.761.809**	**13.918.131**	**29.9**	**48.908**	**-1.334.965**
AFRICA	1.126.001	758.968	70.1	281.365	186.694	47.6	844.636	572.274
Algeria	80.642	19.970	-57.3	25.365	16.158	18.7	55.277	3.812
Angola	38.898	855	-94.2	-	5.657	100.0	38.898	-4.802
Benin	586	-	-100.0	-	-	-	586	0
Botswana	3.980	74	-95.8	-	-	-	3.980	74
Burkina Faso	-	14	100.0	-	-	-	0	14
Burundi	-	-	-	0	1	100.0	0	-1
Cameroon	164	87	40.6	32	2.816	100.0	132	-2.729
Cape Verde	1.051	652	-22.4	-	-	-	1.051	652
Central African Repúblic	45	-	-	4	2	100.0	41	-2
Chad	11	132	100.0	-	-	-	11	132
Comoros	-	31	100.0	7	7	61.3	-7	24
Congo	1.236	154	-87.0	4	-	-	1.232	154
Egypt	323.328	307.551	146.1	1.208	1.443	150.7	322.120	306.108
Equatorial Ghinea	261	13	-94.9	-	-	-	261	13
Ethiopía	-	439	100.0	40	17	40.1	-40	422
Gabon	2.119	504	-48.2	34	-	-100.0	2.085	504
Gambia	67	-	-100.0	-	-	-	67	0
Ghana	2.007	9.360	///	34	-	-100.0	1.973	9.360
Ghinea	268	10	-94.8	4	2	///	264	8
Ivory Coast	4.340	1.896	-22.7	71.669	47.696	72.7	-67.329	-45.800
Kenya	16.367	33.086	652.0	768	382	13.7	15.599	32.704
Lesotho	-	-	-	23	0	-99.9	-23	0
Liberia	9.761	2.284	-59.1	4.136	-	-	5.625	2.284
Lybia	31.585	14.052	-25.6	12.882	15.149	436.1	18.703	-1.097
Madagascar	1.036	1.097	109.5	256	169	2.7	780	928
Malawi	45	35	736.9	4.757	5.498	113.6	-4.712	-5.463
Mali	24	138	473.7	-	-	-	24	138
Mauritania	333	154	16.9	144	25	-63.2	189	129
Mauritius	10.790	9.299	33.9	699	229	7.7	10.091	9.070
Morocco	147.138	56.331	86.8	18.237	10.339	46.6	128.901	45.992
Mozambique	6.144	2.315	-59.9	-	880	100.0	6.144	1.435
Namibia	23	7	-67.7	0	-	-	23	7
Niger	8	-	-	-	-	-	8	0
Nigeria	50.202	38.105	311.0	23.021	17.668	73.6	27.181	20.437
Rwanda	2.267	-	-100.0	13	-	-100.0	2.254	0
Senegal	8.270	1.440	-70.1	27	-	-	8.243	1.440
Sierra Leone	9	-	-	-	-	-	9	0
Somalia	-	13	100.0	12	18	100.0	-12	-5

Table 3.- *(continuation)*

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	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	1997*
	Thousands of dollars							
South África	246.994	163.046	43.7	105.029	50.804	8.1	141.965	112.242
Sudán	3.182	4.053	100.0	27	12	147.3	3.155	4.041
Tanzania	1.991	3.090	451.8	7	2	-73.3	1.984	3.088
Territories linked to France	13.800	8.200	42.7	3	10	100.0	13.797	8.190
Territories linked to Spain	12.892	10.161	76.0	0	-	-	12.892	10.161
Territories linked to the United Kingdom	91	221	240.0	0	-	-	91	221
Togo	92	51	10.1	7	-	-	85	51
Tunisia	90.477	64.315	151.3	8.092	10.060	28.4	82.385	54.255
Uganda	-	189	100.0	0	0	///	0	189
Zaire	3.308	2.062	25.3	679	441	153.3	2.629	1.621
Zambia	-	10	100.0	219	208	501.9	-219	-198
Zimbabwe	7.615	2.878	-60.5	3.795	976	-35.2	3.820	1.902
Rest	2.554	594	-73.3	131	25	-71.6	2.423	569
AMERICA	13.528.076	7.032.410	11.3	12.466.674	7.261.063	18.7	1.061.402	-228.653
Antigua and Barbuda	169	26	-78.5	4	-	-100.0	165	26
Bahamas	274	203	161.6	201	1.501	931.7	73	-1.298
Barbados	870	611	42.2	108	545	///	762	66
Belize	273	53	-79.9	4	-	-100.0	269	53
Bolivia	291.632	159.479	11.1	136.294	53.277	-17.5	155.338	106.202
Brazil	6.614.832	3.586.155	19.7	5.325.738	3.081.658	29.0	1.289.094	504.497
Canada	104.730	52.359	16.4	275.430	175.076	55.9	-170.700	-122.717
Chile	1.765.848	889.863	4.6	559.383	302.179	15.7	1.206.465	587.684
Colombia	182.566	93.570	18.5	48.967	28.681	33.3	133.599	64.889
Costa Rica	17.193	17.682	233.1	8.131	3.666	-20.8	9.062	14.016
Cuba	124.879	70.565	8.8	8.396	2.901	-9.5	116.483	67.664
Dominica	6.909	37	///	1	2	///	6.908	35
Dominican Repúblic	58.696	19.114	-39.6	806	263	-32.2	57.890	18.851
Ecuador	79.627	42.556	13.7	108.720	53.307	13.2	-29.093	-10.751
El Salvador	19.617	13.742	22.8	90	32	34.5	19.527	13.710
Free Trade Zone Colonia (Uruguay)	2.887	118	-94.9	7.186	3.647	-19.8	-4.299	-3.529
Free Trade Zone Florida (Uruguay)	253	-	-100.0	-	6	100.0	253	-6
Free Trade Zone Manaos (Brazil)	-	-	-100.0	1.381	1.073	61.9	-1.381	-1.073
Free Trade Zone Montevideo (Uruguay)	3.094	865	-69.8	9	-	-	3.085	865
Free Trade Zone Nueva Palmira (Uruguay)	555	147	-54.5	73	52	14.3	482	95
Free Trade Zone San José (Uruguay)	96	-	-100.0	-	11	100.0	96	-11
Grenada	349	318	///	370	241	14.9	-21	77
Guatemala	34.529	12.310	-15.4	6.798	352	-42.2	27.731	11.958
Guyana	258	229	120.5	14	2	-83.4	244	227
Haiti	1.771	1.179	58.0	22	9	-47.3	1.749	1.170
Honduras	2.071	10.102	702.9	280	84	-38.5	1.791	10.018

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				Thousands of dollars				
Jamaica	7.428	3.984	11.2	197	53	-43.2	7.231	3.931
Mexico	248.210	90.229	-44.5	541.004	294.192	32.1	-292.794	-203.963
Nicaragua	5.670	3.408	946.4	13	4	-50.9	5.657	3.404
Panama	34.187	9.570	-23.0	3.248	790	285.3	30.939	8.780
Paraguay	584.224	284.253	6.3	182.112	140.188	73.3	402.112	144.065
Peru	254.212	153.216	19.3	37.036	33.157	167.5	217.176	120.059
Puerto Rico (Associated State)	29.004	10.376	35.4	29.858	15.939	13.9	-854	-5.563
Sant Lucia	459	225	-13.2	-	-	-	459	225
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	101	168	100.0	3	-	-	98	168
Saint Kitts, Nevis	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Surinam	604	267	63.8	8.119	26	-99.7	-7.515	241
Territories linked the Netherlands	17.686	7.670	35.0	10.983	2.362	-39.7	6.703	5.308
Territorios linked to France	1.128	588	11.1	7	0	///	1.121	588
Territories linked to the United Kingdom	1.613	103	-77.0	31	-	-	1.582	103
Territories linked to the United States	914	503	114.4	-	4	100.0	914	499
Trinidad and Tobago	5.921	4.256	52.4	12.442	11.031	2.8	-6.521	-6.775
United States	1.944.469	967.970	5.2	4.719.441	2.837.201	27.0	-2.774.972	-1.869.231
Uruguay	719.361	352.583	15.7	292.561	155.139	6.5	426.800	197.444
Venezuela	351.316	171.608	-16.7	111.861	28.197	-46.9	239.455	143.411
Rest	7.591	150	-98.0	29.352	34.212	244.7	-21.761	-34.062
ASIA	3.878.265	2.285.184	25.1	2.946.647	1.785.807	103.0	931.618	499.377
Afganistan	-	-	-	35	4	-82.3	-35	-4
Bahrain	7.925	9.657	37.4	5	11	///	7.920	9.646
Bangladesh	72.160	42.162	40.3	2.760	551	-74.3	69.400	41.611
Bhutan	-	-	-	11	8	-20.5	-11	-8
Brunei	537	75	-58.3	0	-	-	537	75
Cambodia (Ex Kampuchea)	-	-	-	106	53	2.7	-106	-53
China	607.446	252.817	-0.9	697.888	393.992	38.6	-90.442	-141.175
Georgia	6.844	1.540	100.0	8	4	-51.1	6.836	1.536
India	183.330	137.406	132.0	81.559	52.640	58.6	101.771	84.766
Indonesia	222.440	126.099	26.0	78.583	49.603	30.0	143.857	76.496
Irán	637.297	344.785	20.9	723	1.329	263.1	636.573	343.456
Iraq	6.332	8.729	100.0	98	-	-	6.234	8.729
Israel	60.557	76.314	138.3	91.283	57.591	59.9	-30.726	18.723
Japan	512.455	318.650	8.9	725.305	456.556	44.8	-212.850	-137.906
Jordan	17.027	38.658	877.8	3	220	///	17.023	38.438
Kazakstan	-	79	100.0	170	147	100.0	-170	-68
Kuwait	10.519	8.378	435.2	15	11	100.0	10.505	8.367
Lebanon	36.275	8.239	-29.9	45	131	450.1	36.229	8.108
Malaysia	303.150	154.151	3.7	117.885	77.398	66.7	185.265	76.753
Maldives	-	-	-	6	2	-74.1	-6	-2

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				Thousands of dollars				
Myanmar (ex Birmania)	-	-	-	61	369	765.8	-61	-369
Nepal	-	-	-	94	27	-65.5	-94	-27
Oman	32.234	3.015	-70.1	11	0	-99.1	32.223	3.015
Paquistan	68.008	65.027	108.0	15.920	10.873	59.4	52.088	54.154
Philippines	64.876	14.011	-58.5	19.087	9.912	34.9	45.789	4.099
Qatar	16.228	5.308	-53.5	1	6.475	///	16.227	-1.167
Republic of Korea	204.002	155.853	66.1	428.089	286.920	65.9	-224.087	-131.067
Saudi Arabia	49.711	39.592	75.8	22.878	9.914	-28.2	26.833	29.678
Singapore	43.596	17.653	-45.6	103.139	55.760	34.8	-59.542	-38.107
Sri Lanka	7.250	23.552	233.6	5.929	4.275	33.6	1.321	19.277
Syrian Arab Republic	62.981	30.777	100.9	364	178	3.2	62.617	30.599
Taiwan	225.440	195.402	39.2	299.645	180.862	31.7	-74.205	14.540
Tajikistan	-	2.488	100.0	2	2	32.4	-2	2.486
Territories linked to Portugal	-	66	100.0	318	218	11.9	-318	-152
Territories linked to the United Kingdom	215.927	126.888	23.0	89.288	33.537	-26.3	126.639	93.351
Thailand	144.806	55.092	-21.3	71.528	42.786	38.8	73.278	12.306
Turkmenistan	34	1	-97.6	0	5	100.0	34	-4
United Arab Emirates	37.508	19.343	8.7	339	382	269.0	37.169	18.961
Uzbekistan	199	-	-100.0	2	154	///	197	-154
Vietnam	1.833	805	-32.8	5.656	4.725	114.7	-3.823	-3.920
Yemen	16.956	2.396	-66.0	253	4	-86.6	16.703	2.392
Rest	2.382	176	-91.1	87.555	48.178	41.2	-85.173	-48.002
EUROPE	5.205.378	2.478.624	-8.8	7.751.930	4.475.504	26.4	-2.546.552	-1.996.880
Albania	120	29	-17.1	50	6	-63.6	70	23
Austria	3.475	1.768	-23.5	100.564	79.898	84.0	-97.089	-78.130
Belarus	266	1.393	///	5.408	68	-93.2	-5.142	1.325
Belgium	269.192	191.676	14.9	222.582	119.399	13.9	46.610	72.277
Bosnia Herzegovina	120	61	56.3	34	87	///	86	-26
Bulgaria	15.769	2.599	-80.1	25.971	8.995	-42.9	-10.202	-6.396
Croatia	7.189	4.665	///	6.489	242	-34.9	700	4.423
Cyprus	16.490	11.425	103.0	693	635	///	15.797	10.790
Czech Republic	1.251	362	124.2	18.605	11.801	64.4	-17.354	-11.439
Denmark	180.637	48.753	-24.9	84.535	54.696	52.0	96.102	-5.943
Estonia	4.761	3.709	///	2.667	2.193	-16.4	2.094	1.516
Finland	7.080	3.260	-13.0	110.357	58.027	6.5	-103.277	-54.767
France	296.336	146.916	15.2	1.180.798	667.298	39.5	-884.462	-520.382
Germany	565.459	228.829	-23.9	1.427.343	821.752	35.4	-861.884	-592.923
Greece	95.893	50.352	5.7	9.201	5.767	128.9	86.692	44.585
Hungary	3.629	1.412	-24.0	19.511	8.941	25.0	-15.882	-7.529
Iceland	-	2	100.0	89	323	450.2	-89	-47.411
Ireland	32.447	5.020	-79.9	69.008	47.413	43.4	-36.561	4.697

Table 3.- *(conclution)*

Continent and Country	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	1997*
				Thousands of dollars				
Italy	721.152	410.200	7.3	1.503.492	900.409	40.1	-782.340	-490.209
Latvia	2.549	436	-75.5	6.825	3.490	88.7	-4.276	-3.054
Liechtenstein	226	-	-	516	410	62.6	-290	-410
Lithuania	8.900	1.740	-58.8	135	995	///	8.765	745
Luxembourg	350	189	-4.3	4.002	3.298	54.1	-3.652	-3.109
Macedonia	6.501	7.953	100.0	27	12	84.1	6.474	7.941
Malta	10.981	517	-94.8	79	74	235.8	10.902	443
Monaco	244	63	-59.3	511	559	166.2	-267	-496
Netherlands	1.225.394	454.376	-29.0	223.169	121.312	16.8	1.002.225	333.064
Norway	31.813	19.790	-9.8	56.773	10.224	-72.2	-24.960	9.566
Poland	42.324	38.011	54.4	31.499	21.039	39.9	10.825	16.972
Portugal	65.358	30.770	-26.0	34.982	27.214	44.5	30.376	3.556
Romania	70.356	23.276	-45.0	36.055	12.953	16.1	34.301	10.323
Russia	152.226	81.380	27.1	96.679	65.608	20.2	55.547	15.772
San Marino	448	108	100.0	50	25	-8.8	398	83
Slovak Republic	1.075	64	100.0	16.230	14.100	72.9	-15.155	-14.036
Slovenia	20.405	21.703	296.7	4.705	2.773	21.5	15.700	18.930
Spain	723.832	328.269	-23.4	1.063.575	621.200	20.0	-339.743	-292.931
Sweden	20.056	11.924	3.1	304.447	153.070	-18.1	-284.391	-141.146
Switzerland	55.923	23.733	-8.7	268.845	130.962	12.1	-212.922	-107.229
Territories linked to the United Kingdom	745	34	-94.5	-	48	100.0	745	-14
Turkey	139.038	153.805	138.6	12.714	11.086	113.3	126.324	142.719
Ukraine	2.891	7.169	///	16.793	5.575	-15.9	-13.902	1.594
United Kingdom	355.075	141.026	-18.8	563.063	370.086	50.9	-207.988	-229.060
Yugoslavia (Serbia, Montenegro)	4.312	2.776	-35.1	1.343	2.879	///	2.969	-103
Rest	43.090	17.081	78.1	221.516	108.562	1.0	-178.426	-91.481
OCEANIA	72.997	27.981	-18.1	122.298	80.037	75.3	-49.301	-52.056
Australia	64.685	23.637	-19.0	96.372	56.618	40.9	-31.687	-32.981
Fiji	12	26	124.3	3	-	-	9	26
New Zealand	7.393	4.107	0.2	25.918	23.407	163.1	-18.525	-19.300
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
Territories linked to France	20	25	25.1	5	3	///	15	22
Territories linked to the United States	24	-	-100.0	-	-	-	24	0
Vanuatu	822	-	-100.0	-	-	-	822	0
Rest	41	186	100.0	-	9	-	41	177
Rest	-	-	-	192.895	129.026	24.0	-192.895	-129.026

* Preliminary figures

Table 4. Exports and imports, percent distribution according to the Sections of the Harmonized System

Section		Exports (FOB)		Imports (CIF)	
		1996 %	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997* %	1996 %	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997* %
Total		100	100	100	100
I	Live animals and products of animal origin	9	9	1	1
II	Products of vegetable origin	19	24	2	2
III	Fats and oils	8	8	0	0
IV	Feeding products, beverages and tobacco	16	14	2	2
V	Mineral products	13	13	5	4
VI	Industrial products	5	4	16	13
VII	Plastic, rubber and its manufactures	2	2	6	7
VIII	Leathers and leather manufactures (except footwear)	4	4	0	0
IX	Wood, charcoal, cork, cork manufactures, cross-ties of wood	1	1	1	1
X	Wood pulp, paper, paperboard	2	2	4	4
XI	Textile stuff and manufactures	4	3	4	4
XII	Footwear, umbrellas, artificial flowers and others	0	0	1	1
XIII	Stone manufactures, plaster, cement, amianthus, mica, ceramic, glass	0	0	1	1
XIV	Fine pearls, stones and precious metals, coins and others	0	0	0	0
XV	Common metals and manufactures	5	4	6	7
XVI	Machines, instruments and electric material	4	4	32	31
XVII	Transport equipment	7	7	14	17
XVIII	Optical instruments, medical-surgical precision, watches and music	0	0	3	3
XIX	Arms and ammunition	0	0	0	0
XX	Commodities and different products	1	1	2	2
XXI	Works of art, antiques	0	0	0	0
	Minor commissions and samples	0	0	0	0

Table 5. Exports and imports according to Sections and Chapters of the Harmonized System.

Section chapter	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*
	Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars	
Total	**23.810.717**	**12.583.166**	**10.9**	**23.761.809**	**13.918.131**	**29.9**	**48.908**	**-1.334.964**
I Live animals and products of animal origin	2.164.107	1.173.270	2.7	265.002	157.800	44.2	1.899.106	1.015.470
1 Live Animals	44.546	21.358	-1.8	8.856	7.779	91.0	35.690	13.579
2 Meat And Edible Meat Offal	780.793	357.398	-2.3	153.528	90.966	34.8	627.264	266.432
3 Fish And Crustaceans, Molluscs And Other Aquatic Invertebrates	945.396	586.983	8.2	22.390	12.666	11.4	923.007	574.316
4 Dairy Produce; Birds' Eggs; Natural Honey; Edible Products Of Animal Origin, Nesoi	371.210	197.428	-2.0	56.942	32.893	107.9	314.268	164.534
5 Products Of Animal Origin, Nesoi	22.163	10.105	-8.1	23.286	13.495	26.6	-1.123	-3.391
II Products of vegetable origin	4.539.843	2.961.356	17.0	456.113	277.938	30.0	4.083.731	2.683.417
6 Live Trees And Other Plants; Bulbs, Roots And The Like; Cut Flowers And Ornamental Foliage	649	333	22.4	13.424	5.092	-4.7	-12.775	-4.760
7 Edible Vegetables And Certain Roots And Tubers	271.412	176.832	46.6	29.171	11.525	-1.8	242.240	165.307
8 Edible Fruit And Nuts; Peel Of Citrus Fruit Or Melon	508.898	349.572	14.0	144.118	61.699	8.8	364.780	287.873
9 Coffee, Tea, Mate And Spices	64.618	39.008	18.9	112.960	67.244	2.0	-48.341	-28.236
10 Cereals	2.560.109	2.094.368	53.8	36.394	30.320	656.8	2.523.716	2.064.048
11 Milling Industry Products; Malt; Starches; Inulin; Wheat Gluten	165.982	91.621	38.1	13.015	10.916	84.5	152.968	80.705
12 Oil Seeds And Oleaginous Fruits; Miscellaneous Grains, Seeds And Fruits; Industrial Or Medicinal Plants; S	963.690	207.067	-67.6	77.949	77.026	52.6	885.742	130.041
13 Lac; Gums; Resins And Other Vegetable Saps And Extracts	2.121	1.284	-6.7	28.068	13.649	2.3	-25.947	-12.365
14 Vegetable Plaiting Materials And Vegetable Products, Nesoi	2.363	1.270	3.5	1.015	465	19.5	1.348	805
III Fats and oils	1.890.494	1.024.777	17.5	40.001	24.396	12.9	1.850.493	1.000.382
15 Animal Or Vegetable Fats And Oils And Their Cleavage Products; Prepared Edible Fats; Animal Or Vegetable W	1.890.494	1.024.777	17.5	40.001	24.396	12.9	1.850.493	1000382
IV Feeding products, beverages and tobacco	3.827.499	1.769.403	4.9	548.395	316.054	21.4	3.279.104	1453348
16 Edible Preparations Of Meat, Fish, Crustaceans, Molluscs Or Other Aquatic Invertebrates	351.464	166.372	-8.8	71.429	39.321	-2.6	280.036	127051
17 Sugars And Sugar Confectionary	144.455	27.312	-35.0	23.643	25.968	182.9	120.811	1344
18 Cocoa And Cocoa Preparations	54.864	35.064	62.8	91.726	61.758	3.4	-36.862	-26694
19 Preparations Of Cereals, Flour, Starch Or Milk; Bakers' Wares	80.872	34.839	5.5	49.993	27.046	13.5	30.879	7793
20 Preparations Of Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts, Or Other Parts Of Plants	399.158	188.064	-15.6	116.353	53.641	5.0	282.804	134423
21 Miscellaneous Edible Preparations	114.373	55.073	-3.2	74.163	39.672	19.3	40.210	15402

Table 5. *(continuation)*

Section chapter	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*
	Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars	
22 Beverages, Spirits And Vinegar	153.130	73.221	-1.4	64.689	32.868	44.8	88.440	40.353
23 Residues And Waste From The Food Industries; Prepared Animal Feed	2.366.744	1.063.603	9.3	31.455	20.070	47.9	2.335.289	1.043.533
24 Tobacco And Manufactured Tobacco Substitutes	162.441	125.855	56.1	24.943	15.710	138.6	137.497	110.144
V Mineral products	3.136.036	1.572.620	13.4	1.111.101	564.914	8.9	2.024.936	1.007.706
25 Salt; Sulfur; Earths And Stone; Plastering Materials, Lime And Cement	37.245	18.448	8.2	53.210	29.806	17.2	-15.965	-11.358
26 Ores, Slag And Ash	10.199	2.469	-41.7	193.559	95.530	4.8	-183.360	-93.060
27 Mineral Fuels, Mineral Oils And Products Of Their Distillation; Bituminous Substances; Mineral Waxes	3.088.593	1.551.703	13.6	864.332	439.578	9.3	2.224.261	1.112.124
VI Industrial Products	1.085.073	545.246	8.7	3.729.225	1.848.056	11.6	-2.644.152	-1.302.810
28 Inorganic Chemicals; Organic Or Inorganic Compounds Of Precious Metals, Of Rare-Earth Metals, Of Radioacti	77.125	38.626	0.4	284.931	137.237	-2.0	-207.806	-98.611
29 Organic Chemicals	300.544	132.032	-13.4	1.387.406	725.417	18.3	-1.086.862	-593.384
30 Pharmaceutical Products	179.061	113.590	45.5	400.915	218.307	20.3	-221.854	-104.717
31 Fertilizers	2.015	380	-26.1	429.734	141.793	-27.6	-427.718	-141.413
32 Tanning Or Dyeing Extracts; Tannins And Derivatives; Dyes, Pigments And Other Coloring Matter; Paints And	123.359	65.714	16.6	253.368	137.945	13.0	-130.009	-72.230
33 Essential Oils And Resinoids; Perfumery, Cosmetic Or Toilet Preparations	105.749	53.560	43.9	126.371	73.231	32.2	-20.622	-19.671
34 Soap Etc.; Lubricating Products; Waxes, Polishing Or Scouring Products; Candles Etc., Modeling Pastes; Den	42.202	25.992	30.4	141.240	81.975	33.6	-99.038	-55.983
35 Albuminoidal Substances; Modified Starches; Glues; Enzymes	63.643	31.050	1.2	54.066	28.787	10.5	9.577	2.263
36 Explosives; Pyrotechnic Products; Matches; Pyrophoric Alloys; Certain Combustible Preparations	2.126	822	-5.7	12.454	3.796	19.2	-10.328	-2.974
37 Photographic Or Cinematographic Goods	32.639	12.675	-27.8	121.066	67.652	27.1	-88.427	-54.977
38 Miscellaneous Chemical Products	156.611	70.805	1.8	517.675	231.917	13.6	-361.064	-161.112
VII Plastic, rubber and its manufactures	469.473	207.550	-7.2	1.518.807	943.943	30.9	-1.049.333	-736.393
39 Plastics And Articles Thereof	339.849	151.086	-6.2	1.105.517	669.087	24.9	-765.668	-518.001
40 Rubber And Articles Thereof	129.624	56.464	-9.6	413.290	274.856	48.1	-283.665	-218.392
VIII Leathers and leather manufactures	1.035.999	519.998	6.5	69.250	32.393	-2.9	966.749	487.605
41 Raw Hides And Skins (Other Than Furskins) And Leather	829.447	460.163	15.1	24.482	8.620	-36.1	804.965	451.543
42 Articles Of Leather; Saddlery And Harness; Travel Goods, Handbags And Similar Containers; Articles Of Gut	61.634	24.843	-17.9	39.270	21.997	24.9	22.364	2.846
43 Furskins And Artificial Fur; Manufactures Thereof	144.917	34.992	-39.9	5.498	1.776	-20.5	139.420	33.216

Table 5. *(continuation)*

Section chapter	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*
	Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars	
IX Wood, charcoal, cork, cork manufactures, cross-ties of wood	127.074	73.121	46.6	134.635	71.774	21.2	-7.561	1.347
44 Wood And Articles Of Wood; Wood Charcoal	126.697	72.998	46.7	113.560	61.237	21.5	13.136	11.760
45 Cork And Articles Of Cork	359	114	31.9	17.089	9.218	20.0	-16.730	-9.104
46 Manufactures Of Straw, Esparto Or Other Plaiting Materials; Basketware And Wickerwork	18	9	72.4	3.986	1.319	14.2	-3.968	-1.310
X Wood pulp, paper, paperboard	377.738	188.107	9.6	935.839	536.905	14.8	-558.101	-348.798
47 Pulp Of Wood Or Other Fibrous Cellulosic Material; Recovered (Waste And Scrap) Paper And Paperboard	83.469	46.034	27.6	80.088	42.772	2.9	3.381	3.262
48 Paper And Paperboard; Articles Of Paper Pulp, Paper Or Paperboard	162.752	96.066	28.5	726.520	411.900	14.0	-563.769	-315.833
49 Printed Books, Newspapers, Pictures And Other Printed Products; Manuscripts, Typescripts And Plans	131.518	46.007	-24.3	129.231	82.233	26.7	2.287	-36.227
XI Textile stuff and manufactures	990.236	342.085	-14.5	872.436	508.781	20.2	117.800	-166.696
50 Silk, Including Yarns And Woven Fabrics Thereof	6	0	///	1.600	839	46.6	-1594	-839
51 Wool And Fine Or Coarse Animal Hair, Including Yarns And Woven Fabrics Thereof; Horsehair Yarn And Woven	188.084	93.392	-5.8	17.339	14.420	55.4	170.744	78.972
52 Cotton, Including Yarns And Woven Fabrics Thereof	580.353	123.471	-38.1	113.493	59.087	8.7	466.860	64.384
53 Vegetable Textile Fibers Nesoi; Yarns And Woven Fabrics Of Vegetable Textile Fibers Nesoi And Paper	58	20	-65.6	6.431	3.469	30.2	-6.374	-3.449
54 Manmade Filaments, Including Yarns And Woven Fabrics Thereof	94.524	47.643	14.2	116.163	76.543	52.1	-21.639	-28.899
55 Manmade Staple Fibers, Including Yarns And Woven Fabrics Thereof	18.047	13.810	42.5	171.370	94.358	19.5	-153.324	-80.548
56 Wadding, Felt And Nonwovens; Special Yarns; Twine, Cordage, Ropes And Cables And Articles Thereof	11.212	8.417	87.7	63.537	33.493	12.3	-52.325	-25.076
57 Carpets And Other Textile Floor Coverings	1.090	518	-18.4	20.694	11.334	17.2	-19.604	-10.816
58 Special Woven Fabrics; Tufted Textile Fabrics; Lace; Tapestries; Trimmings; Embroidery	4.868	2.054	3.8	25.614	19.116	26.5	-20.747	-17.062
59 Impregnated, Coated, Covered Or Laminated Textile Fabrics; Textile Articles Suitable For Industrial Use	34.873	21.261	23.5	40.075	28.616	43.4	-5.202	-7.355
60 Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics	13.078	6.040	28.9	24.208	20.951	108.5	-11.130	-14.910
61 Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Knitted Or Crocheted	19.910	12.943	35.3	68.897	43.744	7.3	-48.987	-30.801
62 Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories, Not Knitted Or Crocheted	16.684	8.282	12.2	128.918	69.684	4.0	-112.234	-61.402
63 Made-Up Textile Articles Nesoi; Needlecraft Sets; Worn Clothing And Worn Textile Articles; Rags	7.450	4.234	8.6	74.096	33.127	-4.2	-66.646	-28.893

Table 5. *(continuation)*

Section chapter	Exports (FOB)			Imports (CIF)			Balance	
	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	1996	Accumulated Jan-June 1997*
	Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars	
XII Footwear, umbrellas, artificial flowers and others	74.878	50.413	3.1	152.694	88.002	26.0	-77.816	-37.588
64 Footwear, Gaiters And The Like; Parts Of Such Articles	72.734	49.888	5.3	135.141	80.422	26.9	-62.407	-30.534
65 Headgear And Parts Thereof	1.738	237	-81.8	6.771	3.070	2.2	-5.032	-2.833
66 Umbrellas, Sun Umbrellas, Walking-Sticks, Seat-Sticks, Whips, Riding-Crops And Parts Thereof	101	167	165.6	3.687	1.716	72.6	-3.585	-1.549
67 Prepared Feathers And Down And Articles Thereof; Artificial Flowers; Articles Of Human Hair	304	121	-22.4	7.095	2.793	13.4	-6.791	-2.672
XIII Stone manufactures, plaster, cement, amianthus, mica, ceramic, glass	106.674	51.927	3.4	254.130	145.361	25.1	-147.455	-93.434
68 Articles Of Stone, Plaster, Cement, Asbestos, Mica Or Similar Materials	19.532	11.384	35.3	57.556	32.418	23.4	-38.024	-21.034
69 Ceramic Products	37.887	19.417	12.9	93.621	52.338	20.0	-55.735	-32.922
70 Glass And Glassware	49.255	21.126	-14.2	102.952	60.605	30.8	-53.697	-39.479
XIV Fine pearls, stones and precious metals, coins and others	4.939	1.261	-38.5	15.406	7.179	-5.8	-10.468	-5.918
71 Natural Or Cultured Pearls, Precious Or Semiprecious Stones, Precious Metals; Precious Metal Clad Metals,	4.939	1.261	-38.5	15.406	7.179	-5.8	-10.468	-5.918
XV Common metals and manufactures	1.190.301	549.459	-1.0	1.461.210	933.197	38.0	-270.908	-383.739
72 Iron And Steel	338.312	149.358	-12.3	424.021	267.690	40.9	-85.709	-118.332
73 Articles Of Iron Or Steel	522.525	219.702	-3.0	415.896	277.910	42.7	106.629	-58.207
74 Copper And Articles Thereof	31.308	13533	-27.1	141.347	71.054	-0.3	-110.039	-57.522
75 Nickel And Articles Thereof	731	73	-87.9	6139	4058	74.4	-5408	-3.985
76 Aluminum And Articles Thereof	231.777	137.839	23.8	159.285	81.304	-3.0	72.491	56.535
78 Lead And Articles Thereof	318	22	-91.7	3638	2.726	265.2	-3.320	-2.704
79 Zinc And Articles Thereof	8.925	5.949	50.0	10.741	5.481	46.5	-1.816	467
80 Tin And Articles Thereof	21	24	185.9	8.429	4.966	23.4	-8408	-4.942
81 Base Metals Nesoi; Cermets; Articles Thereof	629	266	8.7	11.678	7.512	28.1	-11.049	-7.246
82 Tools, Implements, Cutlery, Spoons And Forks, Of Base Metal; Parts Thereof Of Base Metal	32.725	12.357	-3.9	179.259	153.027	100.0	-146.534	-140.671
83 Miscellaneous Articles Of Base Metal	23.032	10.335	-4.0	100.777	57.468	33.6	-77.745	-47.133
XVI Machines, instruments and electric material	961.536	516.657	17.6	7.551.667	4.505.830	34.7	-6.590.131	-3.989.173
84 Nuclear Reactors, Boilers, Machinery And Mechanical Appliances; Parts Thereof	764.975	380.180	7.0	4.575.972	2.678.647	37.4	-3.810.997	-2.298.467
85 Electrical Machinery And Equipment And Parts Thereof; Sound Recorders And Reproducers, Television Recorder	196.561	136.478	62.6	2.975.696	1.827.184	30.9	-2.779.134	-1.690.706
XVII Transport equipment	1.641.880	939.498	30.7	3.434.918	2.313.078	54.5	-1.793.038	-1.373.580

Table 5. *(conclusion)*

Section chapter	Exports (FOB) 1996	Exports (FOB) Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Exports (FOB) Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	Imports (CIF) 1996	Imports (CIF) Accumulated Jan-June 1997*	Imports (CIF) Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %	Balance 1996	Balance Accumulated Jan-June 1997*
	Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars			Thousand of dollars	
86 Railway Or Tramway Locomotives, Rolling Stock, Track Fixtures And Fittings, And Parts Thereof; Mechanical	2.393	2.072	89.9	20.579	10.724	0.2	-18.185	-8.652
87 Vehicles, Other Than Railway Or Tramway Rolling Stock, And Parts And Accessories Thereof	1.518.601	923.578	47.4	3.094.858	2.042.547	59.2	-1.576.258	-1.118.969
88 Aircraft, Spacecraft, And Parts Thereof	97.468	11.099	-86.0	205.065	217.578	61.6	-107.597	-206.479
89 Ships, Boats And Floating Structures	23.417	2.748	-76.9	114.415	42.229	-38.5	-90.998	-39.480
XVIII Optical instruments, medical-surgical precision, watches and music	51.839	34.411	60.1	708.147	394.821	29.1	-656.308	-360.410
90 Optical, Photographic, Cinematographic, Measuring, Checking, Precision, Medical Or Surgical Instruments An	47.672	32.279	63.9	641.939	364.259	30.8	-594.266	-331.980
91 Clocks And Watches And Parts Thereof	3.335	1.368	-8.5	49.218	22.902	15.1	-45.883	-21.534
92 Musical Instruments; Parts And Accessories Thereof	832	764	162.5	16.991	7.660	4.1	-16.159	-6.896
	5.910	2.543	-14.0	12.159	7.955	31.4	-6.250	-5.413
XIX Arms and ammunition								
93 Arms And Ammunition; Parts And Accessories Thereof	5.910	2.543	-14.0	12.159	7.955	31.4	-6.250	-5.413
XX Commodities and different products	127.203	58.045	16.0	488.442	238.095	17.8	-361.239	-180.051
94 Furniture; Bedding, Cushions Etc.; Lamps And Lighting Fittings Nesoi; Illuminated Signs, Nameplates And Th	92.711	45.933	24.9	233.525	97.570	-1.2	-140.814	-51.636
95 Toys, Games And Sports Equipment; Parts And Accessories Thereof	23.081	6.815	-17.2	169.060	91.774	44.1	-145.978	-84.960
96 Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	11.411	5.297	5.0	85.857	48.751	22.9	-74.447	-43.455
XXI Works of art, antiques	632	593	53.3	1.310	899	83.8	-678	-306
97 Works of art-collectors'pieces and antiques	632	593	53.3	1.310	899	83.8	-678	-306
00 Minor commisions and samples	1.350	827	49.2	924	758	122.8	427	69

Table 6. Exports by main groups of commodities according to the tariff schedule of the Harmonized System

	Groups of commodities	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	
		Millions of dollars	Millions of dollars	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %
Total		**23.811**	**12.583**	**10,9**
270900	Petroleum Oils And Oils From Bituminous Minerals, Crude	2.320	1.130	10,4
230400	Soybean Oilcake And Other Solid Residues Resulting From The Extraction Of Soy Bean Oil, Whether Or Not Ground Or In The Form Of Pellets	1.984	867	11,7
100590	Corn (Maize), Other Than Seed Corn	1.224	897	35,0
100190	Wheat (Other Than Durum Wheat), And Meslin	1.064	1.004	86,3
150710	Soybean Oil And Its Fractions, Crude, Whether Or Not Degummed	877	431	18,9
870323	Passenger Motor Vehicles With Spark-Ignition Internal Combustion Reciprocating Piston Engine, Cylinder Capacity Over 1,500 Cc But Not Over 3,000 Cc	801	514	78,9
151211	Sunflower-Seed Or Safflower Oil, And Their Fractions, Crude, Not Chemically Modified	735	420	4,5
410431	Bovine And Equine Leather, Nesoi, Parchment-Dressed Or Prepared After Tanning, Full Grains And Full Grain Splits	633	337	8,0
120100	Soybeans, Whether Or Not Broken	588	115	-73,3
271000	Petroleum Oils And Oils From Bituminous Minerals (Other Than Crude) And Products Therefrom, Nesoi, Containing 70% (By Weight) Or More Of These Oils	577	318	27,4
520100	Cotton, Not Carded Or Combed	497	92	-45,0
020130	Meat Of Bovine Animals, Boneless, Fresh Or Chilled	343	162	3,8
030799	Molluscs And Other Aquatic Invertebrates Nesoi, Frozen, Dried, Salted Or In Brine	332	282	13,7
030420	Fish Fillets, Frozen	299	155	9,7
160250	Meat Or Meat Offal Of Bovine Animals, Prepared Or Preserved, Nesoi	279	124	-17,1
230630	Sunflower Seed Oilcake And Other Solid Residues Resulting From The Extraction Of Sunflower Seed Oil, Whether Or Not Ground Or In The Form Of Pellets	245	127	-6,1
020230	Meat Of Bovine Animals, Boneless, Frozen	240	114	-7,1
120220	Peanuts (Ground-Nuts), Not Roasted Or Otherwise Cooked, Shelled, Whether Or Not Broken	203	68	24,6

Table 6. *(continuation)*

	Groups of commodities	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	
		Millions of dollars	Millions of dollars	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %
730429	Casing And Tubing Of A Kind Used In Drilling For Oil Or Gas, Of Iron (Except Cast Iron) Or Steel	189	90	3,5
870421	Motor Vehicles For Goods Transport Nesoi, With Compression-Ignition Internal Combustion Piston Engine (Diesel), Gvw Not Over 5 Metric Tons	175	131	85,2
870840	Gear Boxes For Motor Vehicles	165	53	-39,5
120600	Sunflower Seeds, Whether Or Not Broken	153	16	-88,9
840734	Spark-Ignition Reciprocating Piston Engines For Propulsion Of Vehicles Except Railway Or Tramway Stock, Over 1,000 Cc Cylinder Capacity	152	98	33,8
080820	Pears And Quinces, Fresh	148	149	18,7
071333	Kidney Beans, Including White Pea Beans (Phaseolus Vulgaris), Dried Shelled, Including Seed	143	54	84,9
040221	Milk And Cream, Concentrated, Not Sweetened, In Powder, Granules Or Other Solid Forms, Of A Fat Content, By Weight, Exceeding 1,5%	137	65	-10,1
730410	Line Pipe For Oil And Gas Pipelines, Of Seamless Iron (Other Than Cast Iron) Or Steel	134	41	-38,5
240120	Tobacco, Partly Or Wholly Stemmed/Stripped	130	106	54,4
080810	Apples, Fresh	126	99	11,2
410439	Bovine And Equine Leather Nesoi, Parchment-Dressed Or Prepared After Tanning, Other Than Full Grains And Grain Splits	121	77	49,3
760110	Aluminum, Not Alloyed, Unwrought	115	50	-17,2
100630	Rice, Semi-Milled Or Wholly Milled, Whether Or Not Polished Or Glazed	114	68	46,3
200970	Apple Juice, Unfermented And Not Containing Added Spirit, Whether Or Not Sweetened	112	52	-36,5
110100	Wheat Or Meslin Flour	105	61	37,1
100700	Grain Sorghum	99	50	-39,6

Table 6. *(conclusion)*

	Groups of commodities	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	
		Millions of dollars	Millions of dollars	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %
151219	Sunflower-Seed Or Safflower Oil, And Their Fractions, Refined But Not Chemically Modified	97	69	41,3
080530	Lemons And Limes, Fresh Or Dried	93	45	37,2
030379	Fish, Nesoi, Excluding Fillets, Livers And Roes, Frozen	93	37	-25,5
040900	Honey, Natural	91	63	13,0
200960	Grapejuice (Including Grape Must), Unfermented And Not Containing Added Spirit, Whether Or Not Sweetened	88	43	-9,2
870600	Chassis Fitted With Engines For Tractors, Motor Vehicles For Passengers, Goods Transport Vehicles And Special Purpose Motor Vehicles	84	15	-71,1
300490	Medicaments, In Measured Doses, Etc. (Excluding Vaccines, Etc., Coated Bandages Etc. And Pharmaceutical Goods, Nesoi	84	52	38,5
430310	Articles Of Apparel And Clothing Accessories Of Furskins	83	15	-50,6
020500	Meat Of Horses, Asses, Mules Or Hinnies, Fresh, Chilled Or Frozen	82	35	-18,0
030613	Shrimps And Prawns, Including In Shell, Cooked By Steaming Or By Boiling In Water, Frozen	80	28	-22,6
880240	Airplanes And Other Aircraft Nesoi, Of An Unladen Weight Exceeding 15,000 Kg	80	8	-89,0
470321	Chemical Woodpulp, Soda Or Sulfate, Other Than Dissolving Grades, Semibleached Or Bleached, Coniferous	79	44	29,7
510529	Wool Tops And Other Combed Wool, Nesoi	72	38	6,8
070320	Garlic, Fresh Or Chilled	70	55	6,2
200570	Olives, Prepared Or Preserved Otherwise Than By Vinegar Or Acetic Acid, Not Frozen	67	29	14,7
	Rest	7.009	3.590	13,7

Table 7. Imports by main groups of commodities according to the tariff schedule of the Harmonized System

Groups of commodities		1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	
		Millions of dollars	Millions of dollars	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %
Total		**23.762**	**13.918**	**29,9**
870323	Passenger Motor Vehicles With Spark-Ignition Internal Combustion Reciprocating Piston Engine, Cylinder Capacity Over 1,500 Cc But Not Over 3,000 Cc	493	349	72,5
870332	Passenger Motor Vehicles With Compression-Ignition Internal Combustion Piston Engine (Diesel), Cylinder Capacity Over 1,500 CcBut Not Over 2,500 Cc	484	216	9,1
271000	Petroleum Oils And Oils From Bituminous Minerals (Other Than Crude) And Products Therefrom, Nesoi, Containing 70% (By Weight) Or More Of These Oils	427	162	-25,0
870829	Parts And Accessories Of Bodies (Including Cabs) For Motor Vehicles, Nesoi	376	308	129,0
870421	Motor Vehicles For Goods Transport Nesoi, With Compression-Ignition Internal Combustion Piston Engine (Diesel), Gvw Not Over 5 Metric Tons	342	281	142,8
852520	Transmission Apparatus Incorporating Reception Apparatus For Radiotelephony, Radiotelegraphy, Radiobroadcasting Or Television	274	217	46,0
847160	Automatic Data Processing Input Or Output Units, Whether Or Not Containing Storage Units In The Same Housing, N.E.S.O.I.	216	126	35,0
870899	Parts And Accessories For Motor Vehicles, Nesoi	210	147	66,4
310210	Urea, Whether Or Not In Aqueous Solution	176	36	-39,7
840820	Compression-Ignition Internal Combustion Piston Engines (Diesel Or Semi-Diesel), For The Propulsion Of Vehicles Except Railway Or Tramway Stock	170	121	62,4
310530	Diammonium Hydrogenorthophosphate (Diammonium Phosphate)	168	67	-28,2
852990	Parts (Except Antennas And Reflectors) For Use With Radio Transmission, Radar, Radio Navigational Aid, Reception And Television Apparatus, Nesoi	157	84	-6,6
380830	Herbicides, Antisprouting Products And Plant-Growth Regulators, Put Up In Forms Or Packings For Retail Sale Or As Preparations Or Articles	155	51	37,5

Table 7. *(continuation)*

	Groups of commodities	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	
		Millions of dollars	Millions of dollars	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %
847989	Machines And Mechanical Appliances Having Individual Functions, Nesoi	147	52	-28,3
847330	Parts And Accessories For Automatic Data Processing Machines And Units Thereof, Magnetic Or Optical Reader, Transcribing Machines, Etc., Nesoi	143	89	31,4
850300	Parts Of Electric Motors, Generators, Generating Sets And Rotaary Converters	141	94	93,0
870322	Passenger Motor Vehicles With Spark-Ignition Internal Combustion Reciprocating Piston Engine, Cylinder Capacity Over 1,000 Cc But Not Over 1,500 Cc	138	76	-7,0
840734	Spark-Ignition Reciprocating Piston Engines For Propulsion Of Vehicles Except Railway Or Tramway Stock, Over 1,000 Cc Cylinder Capacity	131	97	79,2
300490	Medicaments, In Measured Doses, Etc. (Excluding Vaccines Etc., Coated Bandages Etc. And Pharmaceutical Goods, Nesoi	128	76	36,4
270900	Petroleum Oils And Oils From Bituminous Minerals, Crude	127	105	136,4
847150	Digital Processing Units Other Than Those Of 8471.41 And 8471.49, N.E.S.O.I.	110	84	98,6
390760	Polyethylene Terephthalate, In Primary Forms	109	48	-27,4
271600	Electrical Energy	105	78	79,6
880240	Airplanes And Other Aircraft Nesoi, Of An Unladen Weight Exceeding 15,000 Kg	105	96	-2,4
260112	Agglomerated Iron Ores	105	50	-2,5
840991	Parts For Use With Spark-Ignition Internal Combustion Piston Engines (Including Rotary Engines), Nesoi	102	57	22,7
090111	Coffee, Not Roasted, Not Decaffeinated	100	58	-3,4
845011	Household- Or Laundry-Type Washing Machines, Fully Automatic, With A Dry Linen Capacity Not Exceeding 10 Kg	99	50	15,4
870840	Gear Boxes For Motor Vehicles	98	65	49,1
271121	Natural Gas, Gaseous	95	33	-30,3
293339	Heterocyclic Compounds Containing An Unfused Pyridine Ring (Whether Or Not Hydrogenated) In The Structure, Nesoi	92	55	150,9

Table 7. *(conclusion)*

	Groups of commodities	1996	Accumulated Jan-Jun 1997*	
		Millions of dollars	Millions of dollars	Rate of growth respect to the same period of the previous year %
854011	Cathode-Ray Television Picture Tubes, Color, Including Video Monitor Cathode-Ray Tubes	92	63	84,3
851730	Telephonic Or Telegraphic Switching Apparatus	91	51	13,4
390110	Polyethylene Having A Specific Gravity Of Less Than 0.94, In Primary Forms	91	88	101,4
382490	Chemical Products And Preparations Of The Chemical Or Allied Industries, N.E.S.O.I.; Residual Products Of The Chemical Or Allied Industries, N.E.S.O.I.	88	44	-
880230	Airplanes And Other Aircraft Nesoi, Of An Unladen Weight Exceeding 2,000 Kg But Not Exceeding 15,000 Kg	87	84	159,4
870190	Tractors, Nesoi	85	42	49,5
392690	Articles Of Plastics, Nesoi	85	51	39,9
401120	New Pneumatic Tires, Of Rubber, Of A Kind Used On Buses Or Trucks	82	57	41,6
281820	Aluminum Oxide, Except Artificial Corundum, Nesoi	82	38	-9,2
854389	Electrical Machines And Apparatus, Having Individual Functions, N.E.S.O.I.	81	56	71,7
940600	Prefabricated Buildings	81	12	-68,7
851790	Parts Of Electrical Apparatus For Line Telephony Or Telegraphy, Including Parts Of Such Apparatus For Carrier-Current Line Systems	79	49	28,3
870422	Motor Vehicles For Goods Transport Nesoi, With Compression-Ignition Internal Combustion Piston Engine (Diesel), Gvw Over 5 But Not Over 20 Metric Tons	79	61	100,1
851750	Electrical Telecommunication Apparatus For Carrier-Current Line Systems Or For Digital Line Systems, N.E.S.O.I.	77	36	-8,5
843351	Combine Harvester-Threshers	73	48	62,4
890200	Fishing Vessels; Factory Ships And Other Vessels For Processing Or Preserving Fishery Products	73	14	-71,4
080300	Bananas And Plantains, Fresh Or Dried	73	37	17,1
848180	Taps, Cocks, Valves And Similar Appliances For Pipes, Vats Or The Like, Including Thermostatically Controlled Valves, Nesoi	71	43	35,6
260111	Iron Ore Concentrates (Other Than Roasted Iron Pyrites) And Non-Agglomerated Iron Ores	70	32	9,7
	Rest	16.498	9.584	28,2