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U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES - NOVEMBER 2003 -

The U.S. Import Price Index increased 0.4 percent in November, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. A rise in the price indexes for both petroleum and nonpetroleum imports contributed to the increase. Export prices advanced for the third consecutive month, rising 0.5 percent.

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

Month	IMPORTS			EXPORTS		
	All Imports	Petroleum Imports	Non-petroleum Imports	All Exports	Agricultural Exports	Nonagricultural Exports
<u>2002</u>						
November	-0.9	-8.2	-0.1	0.1	2.0	-0.1
December	0.6	5.6	0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.2
<u>2003</u>						
January	1.8	14.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.4
February	1.7	11.3	0.3	0.6	-0.4	0.6
March	0.6	-1.1	1.0	0.2	-0.4	0.3
April	-3.1	-18.8	-1.0	-0.1	0.4	-0.1
May	-0.7	-5.0	-0.2	0.1	2.5	-0.2
June	0.9	5.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1
July	0.5	5.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
August	0.0	1.8	-0.3	0.0	-1.0	0.1
September	-0.5 r	-5.9 r	0.2	0.4	5.6	-0.1
October	0.0 r	1.4 r	-0.1	0.3	2.3 r	0.1
November	0.4	1.1	0.3	0.5	4.3	0.2
November 2001-02	2.5	39.5	-0.3	1.0	9.6	0.3
November 2002-03	2.1	11.9	1.1	1.8	12.8	0.9

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

Import Goods

The price index for imports rose 0.4 percent in November, as prices for every major category of import goods either increased or posted no change. Import petroleum prices were up 1.1 percent last month, after rising 1.4 percent in October. Over the November 2002-2003 period, petroleum prices increased 11.9 percent. Prices for nonpetroleum imports rose 0.3 percent in November and were up 1.1 percent over the past 12 months. Overall import prices were up 2.1 percent over the same 12-month period.

The November increase in the price index for nonpetroleum imports was led by a 0.7 percent increase in prices for nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials. Higher prices for metals and chemicals contributed to the rise in nonpetroleum industrial supplies and materials prices, which were up 6.4 percent over the past 12 months. The price indexes for capital goods and for consumer goods also were up in November, rising 0.2 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively. For the year ended in November, however, capital goods prices were down 0.9 percent, while consumer goods prices were up 0.2 percent over the same period.

Prices for foods, feeds and beverages rose 0.2 percent in November and were up 2.3 percent over the past year. The price index for automotive vehicles, parts, and engines posted no change in November, after rising 0.7 percent in October, and was up 0.8 percent over the November 2002-2003 period.

Export Goods

Export prices increased 0.5 percent in November, following a 0.3 percent rise in October and a 0.4 percent rise in September. The advance was again led by higher agricultural prices, which were up 4.3 percent in November and 12.7 percent over the past three months. Higher prices for soybeans, feedstuff, and cotton all contributed to the November increase in agricultural export prices, which rose 12.8 percent for the year ended in November. The price index for nonagricultural exports rose 0.2 percent in November after edging up 0.1 percent in October. Over the past year, the index was up 0.9 percent. Prices for overall exports were up 1.8 percent over the November 2002-2003 period.

The price indexes for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials, for capital goods, and for consumer goods each increased in November. Prices for nonagricultural industrial supplies and materials were up 0.4 percent, led by higher prices for metals and chemicals. The index was up 5.1 percent for the year ended in November. The price indexes for capital goods and for consumer goods rose 0.1 percent and 0.2 percent, respectively, last month. Over the past 12 months, capital goods prices fell 0.8 percent, while consumer goods prices increased 0.7 percent.

The price index for automotive vehicles, parts, and engines was the only major export commodity price index to decrease, down 0.1 percent in November, after rising 0.2 percent in October. For the year ended in November, the index was up 0.4 percent.

Imports by Locality of Origin

The price indexes for imports from Canada, from the European Union, and from Japan each rose in November, paralleling the recent depreciation of the U.S. dollar against the Canadian dollar, European currencies, and the Japanese yen. Import prices from Canada were up 0.3 percent in November and up 4.9 percent over the past 12 months. Prices of imports from the European Union increased 0.5 percent for the month and were up 3.3 percent for the year ended in November. Import prices from Japan rose 0.2 percent in November, but fell 0.4 percent over the past 12 months.

Import prices from Latin America edged up 0.1 percent last month and rose 3.5 percent over the past 12 months.

In contrast, import prices from the Asian Newly Industrialized Countries were down 0.2 percent in November, the fourth consecutive decline for this index. For the year ended in November, the index was down 1.0 percent.

Import and Export Services

The price index for import air passenger fares decreased 7.4 percent in November, after dropping 9.1 percent in October. Those declines were led by seasonal drops in fares to Europe. However, for the year ended in November, the index was up a modest 0.4 percent. Prices for export air passenger fares decreased 1.4 percent last month, after rising 1.8 percent in October. Export air passenger fares were up 14.8 percent over the past 12 months.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CHANGES IN THE U.S. IMPORT AND EXPORT PRICE INDEXES

Beginning with the release of January 2004 data on February 13, the U.S. Import and Export Price Indexes will be reweighted using 2002 trade weights. This will be a change to the previous practice of updating the weights every five years. Import and export price indexes will now be reweighted annually, with a two-year lag in the weights. The index reference base will remain fixed at calendar year 2000=100. In addition, the U.S. carrier and foreign carrier air passenger fares indexes found in Table 11 will be replaced with indexes that measure prices for inbound and outbound flights.

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 Import and Export Price Index data for December are scheduled for release on January 13, 2004 at 8:30 A.M. (E.S.T.).

Table 1 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
November 2002-November 2003 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

END USE	Description	Relative Importance October 2003 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			October 2003	November 2003	Annual	Monthly			
					Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	96.2	96.6	2.1	0.0	-0.5	0.0	0.4
	ALL IMPORTS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	89.378	97.1	97.4	1.1	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.3
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	4.150	102.0	102.2	2.3	-0.2	0.5	0.2	0.2
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	3.134	109.1	109.7	3.7	-0.1	0.6	0.8	0.5
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	1.016	86.2	85.3	-2.1	-0.7	0.2	-1.6	-1.0
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	26.268	99.3	100.2	8.6	0.3	-1.6	0.4	0.9
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	15.646	100.0	100.7	6.4	-0.9	1.5	-0.3	0.7
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	8.392	97.6	98.3	6.2	0.5	2.1	0.2	0.7
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE EXCLUDING PETROLEUM.....	7.254	102.7	103.5	6.8	-2.3	0.7	-0.9	0.8
10	Fuels & lubricants.....	12.150	99.8	100.6	12.0	0.3	-4.6	0.4	0.8
100	Petroleum & petroleum products.....	10.623	98.5	99.6	11.9	1.8	-5.9	1.4	1.1
10000	Crude.....	7.975	99.6	101.4	13.3	1.1	-6.6	1.2	1.8
11	Paper & paper base stocks.....	1.137	94.2	94.2	5.0	1.2	-1.9	1.4	0.0
12	Materials associated with nondurable supplies & materials.....	4.742	103.0	104.7	5.0	-0.6	0.1	0.6	1.7
13	Selected building materials.....	2.099	109.6	108.7	12.8	0.9	7.6	-0.8	-0.8
14	Unfinished metals related to durable goods.....	3.157	94.4	96.2	6.3	0.8	0.5	1.1	1.9
15	Finished metals related to durable goods.....	1.438	99.3	100.0	3.3	1.0	0.1	0.3	0.7
16	Nonmetals related to durable goods.....	1.546	97.6	98.0	1.1	-0.6	0.5	-0.2	0.4
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	28.435	93.0	93.2	-0.9	-0.2	-0.1	-0.5	0.2
20	Electric generating equipment.....	3.378	96.1	96.2	1.5	-0.2	-0.8	0.3	0.1
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	22.498	91.4	91.6	-1.4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.7	0.2
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (200112=100).....	2.559	102.2	102.4	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	17.259	101.2	101.2	0.8	0.0	-0.1	0.7	0.0
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	23.866	97.8	98.1	0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.3
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	11.585	99.7	100.1	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.4
41	Durables, manufactured.....	11.022	96.0	96.2	-0.5	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.2
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods.....	1.258	95.8	95.8	0.6	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2000 trade values.

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Table 2 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
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END USE	Description	Relative Importance October 2003 1/	Index		Percent Change				
			October 2003	November 2003	Annual Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	Monthly			
						July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	100.1	100.6	1.8	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.5
	AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	8.251	117.6	122.6	12.8	-1.0	5.6	2.3	4.3
	NONAGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.....	91.750	98.7	98.9	0.9	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2
0	FOODS, FEEDS, & BEVERAGES.....	7.501	117.2	121.7	11.0	-1.3	5.5	1.6	3.8
00	Agricultural foods, feeds & beverages, excluding distilled beverages.....	6.917	118.4	123.1	11.5	-1.4	6.3	1.7	4.0
01	Nonagricultural foods (fish, distilled beverages).....	0.584	105.4	107.9	5.8	0.2	-3.1	-0.7	2.4
1	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	23.438	101.0	101.6	5.7	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.6
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, DURABLE.....	9.477	101.3	102.0	5.8	0.1	0.4	1.0	0.7
	INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS, NONDURABLE.....	13.963	101.1	101.6	5.8	0.7	-0.1	0.8	0.5
10	Agricultural industrial supplies & materials.....	1.334	113.5	119.8	19.7	0.8	1.6	5.9	5.6
	NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.....	22.105	100.3	100.7	5.1	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.4
11	Fuels & lubricants.....	2.172	97.2	96.1	4.9	3.5	-2.9	-0.3	-1.1
12	Nonagricultural supplies & materials excluding fuels & building materials.....	18.769	101.1	101.6	5.3	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.5
13	Selected building materials.....	1.164	98.8	99.1	2.6	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3
2	CAPITAL GOODS.....	46.544	97.4	97.5	-0.8	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.1
20	Electrical generating equipment.....	4.887	101.5	101.5	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.0
21	Nonelectrical machinery.....	34.211	94.1	94.1	-1.7	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.0
22	Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles (200112=100).....	7.446	105.3	105.6	3.0	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
3	AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, PARTS & ENGINES.....	10.914	101.9	101.8	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.2	-0.1
4	CONSUMER GOODS, EXCLUDING AUTOMOTIVES.....	11.565	99.8	100.0	0.7	-0.2	0.0	0.4	0.2
40	Nondurables, manufactured.....	5.632	98.9	99.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.2	0.4	0.4
41	Durables, manufactured.....	5.271	100.4	100.5	0.8	-0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1
42	Nonmanufactured consumer goods (200112=100).....	0.662	101.1	100.6	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.5	-0.5

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	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	96.2	96.6	2.1	0.0	-0.5	0.0	0.4
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	3.261	100.3	99.7	2.2	-0.7	0.6	0.2	-0.6
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	0.394	116.0	117.1	15.7	1.5	4.3	2.8	0.9
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.698	79.7	78.8	-3.9	-1.4	0.1	-3.3	-1.1
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	0.872	106.3	108.3	2.0	-1.3	-0.6	1.3	1.9
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof.....	0.409	95.5	93.1	-5.6	1.4	2.1	-3.1	-2.5
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.889	112.9	110.4	6.0	-1.3	-0.2	2.5	-2.2
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.854	104.4	104.4	1.9	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0
11	Beverages.....	0.749	104.3	104.3	2.1	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	2.045	104.3	105.6	11.3	-0.2	4.7	-0.9	1.2
24	Cork and wood.....	0.767	105.7	102.5	6.8	-0.8	13.7	-6.4	-3.0
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.273	91.5	93.3	15.9	-1.8	-6.9	6.9	2.0
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	0.338	104.0	108.2	15.2	2.6	0.7	0.4	4.0
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.....	0.225	95.1	94.5	-5.4	-2.6	-1.1	-0.6	-0.6
<u>2/</u>	Other crude materials, inedible, except fuels.....	0.223	100.4	100.3	5.5	0.9	-0.5	0.6	-0.1
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	12.084	101.0	101.8	12.6	0.5	-4.7	-0.5	0.8
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials....	10.673	99.8	100.8	12.2	2.1	-6.0	0.5	1.0
34	Gas, natural and manufactured.....	1.411	106.2	104.8	13.8	-10.5	5.1	-7.2	-1.3
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	6.502	99.9	101.1	3.2	-0.8	0.1	0.6	1.2
51	Organic chemicals.....	2.468	97.6	98.4	0.5	-0.3	0.7	0.6	0.8
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.575	106.4	111.9	9.2	-0.4	-0.6	0.9	5.2
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials.....	0.230	97.5	97.9	2.1	0.3	0.1	-0.9	0.4
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	1.325	102.0	103.1	3.8	-0.6	-0.6	0.1	1.1
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	0.285	91.1	91.5	-7.4	-7.3	-0.1	-0.7	0.4
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	0.600	105.4	105.3	9.7	-1.2	-0.4	2.6	-0.1
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.378	101.3	101.2	1.6	0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	0.468	92.3	93.2	2.6	-1.5	-0.2	0.7	1.0
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	11.405	96.4	97.3	4.0	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.9
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.653	98.5	98.7	-0.7	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2
63	Cork and wood manufactures other than furniture.....	0.771	118.6	118.9	28.8	3.1	5.9	4.9	0.3
64	Paper and paperboard, cut to size.....	1.264	94.7	94.2	1.0	1.8	-0.4	0.2	-0.5
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related prod.....	1.343	100.7	101.6	3.3	-0.5	-0.6	0.2	0.9
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	2.212	97.9	98.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.1
67	Iron and steel.....	1.573	100.6	101.9	1.1	0.4	-1.2	0.5	1.3
68	Nonferrous metals.....	1.569	82.1	85.2	11.2	1.4	2.0	1.7	3.8
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	1.905	98.7	99.2	0.9	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.5

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7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	46.217	95.3	95.4	-0.8	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.1
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	2.974	99.7	99.7	1.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.0
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	2.027	102.5	103.3	4.7	-0.1	-0.4	0.4	0.8
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.701	103.7	105.0	3.9	-0.8	-0.8	0.1	1.3
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & machine parts, n.e.s.....	3.093	100.4	100.6	2.0	-0.4	-0.3	0.3	0.2
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	6.446	78.7	78.4	-7.3	0.0	-0.1	-2.2	-0.4
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	5.499	87.8	87.9	-4.6	0.1	-0.1	-1.0	0.1
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	9.268	95.9	96.0	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.1
78	Road vehicles.....	14.454	101.3	101.4	0.9	0.0	-0.2	0.8	0.1
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	17.106	99.6	99.8	1.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2
81	Prefabricated buildings; plumbing, heat & lighting fixtures, n.e.s.....	0.429	95.1	94.0	-2.6	0.0	0.3	0.0	-1.2
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	1.677	100.2	100.3	0.9	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.1
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers.....	0.404	103.1	103.1	2.5	0.1	1.4	0.0	0.0
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	5.707	100.4	100.5	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1
85	Footwear.....	1.310	99.8	99.9	0.5	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	1.931	99.5	99.8	1.8	0.0	-0.2	0.2	0.3
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	1.263	99.2	99.7	1.4	-0.5	-0.3	-0.1	0.5
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.385	98.5	98.8	1.2	-0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3

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	ALL COMMODITIES.....	100.000	100.1	100.6	1.8	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.5
0	FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS.....	5.982	111.9	115.3	8.1	0.5	4.3	-0.3	3.0
01	Meat and meat preparations.....	1.196	122.7	125.2	42.6	4.1	7.7	4.6	2.0
03	Fish, crustaceans, aquatic invertebrates and preparations thereof.....	0.394	99.5	101.8	2.1	1.1	-4.3	-4.1	2.3
04	Cereals and cereal preparations.....	1.765	119.5	125.6	-4.6	0.3	7.3	-3.7	5.1
05	Vegetables, fruit and nuts, fresh or dried.....	1.120	102.3	101.8	2.9	-1.5	1.5	1.1	-0.5
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals).....	0.624	113.9	124.6	21.4	-1.9	6.7	0.7	9.4
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations.....	0.406	101.2	101.3	0.6	-0.6	0.0	0.2	0.1
<u>2/</u>	Other food and live animals.....	0.477	104.3	104.8	5.0	0.6	1.0	0.6	0.5
1	BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.....	0.899	98.7	100.4	2.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.9	1.7
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures.....	0.686	97.4	99.2	1.6	-0.1	0.0	1.2	1.8
2	CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS.....	4.283	111.1	116.0	18.0	-1.5	3.9	4.5	4.4
22	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits.....	1.016	136.7	150.9	29.1	-12.5	10.9	12.9	10.4
24	Cork and wood.....	0.539	91.9	92.4	1.9	0.3	0.9	0.2	0.5
25	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.567	91.0	92.2	5.0	-0.2	4.2	2.4	1.3
26	Textile fibers and their waste.....	0.520	121.4	130.0	34.9	0.8	2.4	10.8	7.1
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap.....	0.699	121.1	126.5	37.8	4.9	2.0	0.8	4.5
<u>2/</u>	Other crude materials, inedible, except fuels.....	0.941	110.4	110.8	5.3	1.9	1.5	0.0	0.4
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.....	1.939	107.9	106.2	1.6	4.6	-5.4	-0.7	-1.6
32	Coal, coke and briquettes.....	0.342	111.6	111.6	-2.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials..	1.403	104.1	101.2	1.6	6.7	-7.8	-0.1	-2.8
5	CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, N.E.S.....	11.082	100.5	100.9	4.2	0.4	0.0	0.5	0.4
51	Organic chemicals.....	2.528	100.1	102.3	6.7	0.9	-0.1	0.7	2.2
52	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.729	99.1	99.2	2.9	0.4	0.6	-0.3	0.1
53	Dyeing, tanning and coloring materials.....	0.554	99.0	99.0	1.0	-0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products.....	1.854	105.6	106.2	4.9	-0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.6
55	Essential oils; polishing and cleansing preps.....	0.733	99.4	99.5	2.4	0.1	0.2	1.6	0.1
56	Fertilizers.....	0.400	122.8	118.6	18.7	7.4	1.2	0.0	-3.4
57	Plastics in primary forms.....	1.756	95.3	95.2	1.8	-0.3	0.5	0.0	-0.1
58	Plastics in nonprimary forms.....	0.811	98.3	97.8	0.3	0.0	-0.3	0.2	-0.5
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.....	1.717	102.4	102.7	4.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.3
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.....	9.691	100.3	100.6	1.6	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.....	0.787	109.4	109.9	4.3	-0.5	-0.3	0.2	0.5
64	Uncoated Paper/paperboard, and linerboard.....	1.431	97.5	98.0	1.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.9	0.5
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, and made-up articles, n.e.s.....	1.494	102.1	102.5	1.2	-0.3	-0.6	0.1	0.4
66	Nonmetallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.....	1.394	99.5	99.6	-1.7	-0.2	-0.7	0.0	0.1
67	Iron and steel.....	0.905	107.3	107.5	2.9	0.4	-0.1	1.9	0.2
68	Nonferrous metals.....	0.906	82.0	82.9	-0.4	1.4	0.9	0.5	1.1
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.....	2.303	104.4	104.8	1.4	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.4

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Table 4 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
November 2002-November 2003 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

SITC Rev. 3	Description	Relative Import- ance October 2003 <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
			October 2003	November 2003	Annual Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	Monthly			
						July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
<u>2/</u>	Other manufactured goods classified chiefly by material (200112=100).....	0.472	118.3	117.2	13.9	0.7	6.2	2.1	-0.9
7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	52.929	97.8	97.9	-0.8	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.1
71	Power generating machinery and equipment.....	4.827	107.9	108.5	3.1	0.0	-0.1	0.6	0.6
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries.....	4.497	103.1	103.3	1.6	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.2
73	Metalworking machinery.....	0.897	100.9	100.9	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.0
74	General industrial machinery, equipment, & parts, n.e.s.....	4.803	102.6	102.8	0.5	0.0	0.2	-0.1	0.2
75	Computer equipment and office machines.....	6.827	87.8	87.8	-0.9	-0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.0
76	Telecommunications & sound recording & reproducing apparatus & equipment.....	4.177	93.6	93.4	-3.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	-0.2
77	Electrical machinery and equipment.....	13.221	88.7	88.5	-5.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.8	-0.2
78	Road vehicles.....	8.198	101.5	101.6	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	11.795	100.8	101.0	0.5	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.2
82	Furniture and parts thereof.....	0.717	102.6	102.5	1.0	0.7	0.5	0.0	-0.1
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories.....	1.125	96.9	96.9	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.....	4.438	102.1	102.3	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.2
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.....	1.104	94.7	95.4	-1.8	-0.9	-0.3	0.4	0.7
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.....	4.020	101.5	101.7	1.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.2
<u>2/</u>	Other miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.390	105.3	106.0	4.2	-0.2	0.5	0.4	0.7

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2000 trade values.

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

NOTES: Data may be revised in each of the three months after original publication.
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Table 5 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
November 2002-November 2003 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			October 2003	November 2003	Annual	Monthly			
					Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.296	97.2	95.1	5.1	-1.0	0.2	1.0	-2.2
02	Meat and edible meat offal.....	0.348	117.8	119.3	17.8	1.4	4.5	3.1	1.3
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.566	79.8	79.2	-4.3	-2.1	0.0	-3.4	-0.8
<u>2/</u>	Other live animals; animal products.....	0.383	125.0	115.9	10.8	-1.1	-3.3	6.6	-7.3
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	1.194	100.4	100.7	-2.3	-0.3	0.5	0.0	0.3
07	Edible vegetables, roots, and tubers.....	0.266	112.3	120.5	7.7	-2.8	-1.3	2.2	7.3
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.346	98.8	96.7	-5.1	1.4	-0.1	0.8	-2.1
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices.....	0.240	84.1	80.9	-4.4	3.0	4.8	-3.3	-3.8
<u>2/</u>	Other vegetable products.....	0.342	104.5	104.7	-5.5	-2.1	-0.7	0.1	0.2
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	1.954	105.7	105.5	0.5	-0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.2
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.239	100.8	100.4	0.4	-1.4	0.5	0.2	-0.4
22	Beverages, spirits, and vinegar.....	0.758	102.8	102.8	1.6	-0.1	-0.1	0.4	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other prepared foodstuffs.....	0.957	109.6	109.1	-0.4	-0.3	0.2	-0.6	-0.5
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	12.356	100.3	101.1	12.8	0.6	-4.8	0.1	0.8
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	12.134	99.2	100.0	12.9	0.5	-4.8	0.0	0.8
<u>2/</u>	Other mineral products (200112=100).....	0.222	101.1	100.9	2.9	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.2
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	5.852	99.1	100.4	3.0	-0.6	0.0	0.4	1.3
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.640	104.4	110.4	11.6	-0.7	-0.5	0.8	5.7
29	Organic chemicals.....	2.619	96.9	97.7	1.2	-0.5	0.5	0.1	0.8
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	1.095	101.6	102.6	2.3	-0.6	-0.6	0.2	1.0
32	Tanning & dyeing extracts; dye & pigments; varnish & paints; putty.....	0.232	96.7	97.4	2.1	0.2	0.0	-0.9	0.7
33	Essential oils and resinoids (200112=100).....	0.240	102.1	102.5	1.7	0.1	-0.1	-0.9	0.4
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods.....	0.223	96.9	96.7	-1.1	-0.6	0.0	-0.4	-0.2
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	0.361	93.4	94.0	-0.5	-2.7	-0.4	0.2	0.6
<u>2/</u>	Other products of the chemical or allied industries.....	0.442	105.8	106.8	9.8	-0.3	0.4	2.6	0.9
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	2.712	104.8	106.1	6.2	-0.2	0.7	0.9	1.2
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	1.755	103.9	104.0	4.8	-0.4	0.5	0.4	0.1
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	0.957	106.6	110.0	8.7	0.4	1.1	1.6	3.2
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.771	100.7	100.9	1.8	-0.2	0.6	0.3	0.2
42	Articles of leather; travel goods, bags, etc. of various materials.....	0.643	101.6	101.6	2.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	1.647	116.9	115.9	20.9	1.5	10.9	-0.3	-0.9
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	1.881	95.6	95.5	2.9	0.8	-1.1	0.8	-0.1
47	Pulp wood or other fibrous cellulosic material; waste paper/paperboard.....	0.271	91.2	92.8	15.0	-1.6	-6.3	5.7	1.8
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.270	93.9	93.4	1.0	1.6	-0.3	0.2	-0.5
49	Printed matter.....	0.340	112.4	112.2	1.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	-0.2
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	6.590	99.6	99.9	1.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.3
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted.....	2.337	100.0	100.4	2.1	0.0	0.1	-0.2	0.4

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Table 5 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
November 2002-November 2003 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			October 2003	November 2003	Annual	Monthly			
					Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted.....	2.885	99.4	99.5	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.1
63	Made-up or worn textile articles.....	0.378	93.8	93.8	-1.5	0.0	0.4	-0.5	0.0
<u>2/</u>	Other textile & textile articles.....	0.990	101.8	102.9	4.3	-0.5	-0.5	0.6	1.1
XII	HEADGEAR, UMBRELLAS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, ETC.....	1.536	99.4	99.4	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
64	Footwear and parts of such articles.....	1.311	99.8	99.9	0.5	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
<u>2/</u>	Other footwear, headgear, umbrellas, whips, art. flowers, etc.....	0.225	96.8	96.9	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	0.0	0.1
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	1.077	102.3	102.5	0.8	0.0	-0.3	0.3	0.2
68	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, or mica (200112=100).....	0.303	99.1	99.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.6	0.1
69	Ceramic products.....	0.375	103.9	104.2	1.9	0.2	-0.1	0.8	0.3
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.399	102.8	103.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3	0.5	0.2
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	2.374	90.0	90.5	3.8	-0.1	1.3	1.8	0.6
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL.....	4.920	97.9	99.5	6.0	0.8	0.0	0.5	1.6
72	Iron and steel.....	1.336	103.4	104.1	4.2	0.7	-1.0	-0.1	0.7
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.222	98.3	99.7	4.0	0.6	0.1	0.5	1.4
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.453	99.5	102.9	15.2	4.2	0.8	1.4	3.4
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.780	97.9	99.6	5.0	0.7	0.9	0.2	1.7
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.396	98.8	99.0	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.2
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.424	102.8	103.6	3.0	-0.6	-0.3	1.3	0.8
<u>2/</u>	Miscellaneous nonferrous metals and articles, including scrap.....	0.310	77.3	83.1	27.3	1.1	1.1	1.0	7.5
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE & SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC.....	29.754	91.8	91.9	-1.7	-0.1	-0.2	-0.6	0.1
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	14.544	91.3	91.3	-2.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.9	0.0
85	Electrical machinery and equip, sound and TV recorders & reproducers, parts.....	15.210	92.4	92.6	-1.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	0.2
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	16.295	101.6	101.6	0.9	0.0	-0.1	0.7	0.0
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	14.692	101.3	101.3	0.9	0.0	-0.2	0.8	0.0
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof (200212=100).....	1.497	101.1	101.3	n.a.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	3.639	99.2	99.6	1.5	-0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.4
90	Optical, photographic, measuring and medical instruments.....	3.190	98.5	98.9	1.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.4
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof.....	0.325	105.5	106.5	1.9	-1.0	-0.5	0.0	0.9
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	3.956	97.3	97.4	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	0.1
94	Furniture & stuffed furnishings; lamps & lighting fittings, nesoi; prefab bldg.....	2.072	98.3	98.4	0.7	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.1
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	1.640	96.3	96.4	-0.7	0.0	-0.3	-0.5	0.1
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....	0.244	96.2	96.6	-1.7	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.4

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2000 trade values.

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

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Table 6 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
November 2002-November 2003 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			October 2003	November 2003	Annual	Monthly			
					Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
I	LIVE ANIMALS; ANIMAL PRODUCTS.....	1.818	117.2	119.8	29.1	4.7	4.5	1.9	2.2
02	Meat & edible meat offal.....	1.150	126.9	129.5	45.0	4.6	7.9	5.0	2.0
03	Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates.....	0.349	98.1	100.8	1.0	1.1	-6.3	-4.2	2.8
2/	Other live animals and animal products.....	0.318	114.5	117.3	18.5	9.8	6.1	-1.4	2.4
II	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS.....	3.815	120.1	125.5	4.4	-3.7	7.2	1.7	4.5
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons.....	0.516	96.0	97.4	1.1	-0.8	1.1	1.4	1.5
10	Cereals.....	1.573	120.2	126.9	-5.3	0.2	8.3	-4.3	5.6
12	Oilseeds and misc. grains, seeds, fruits, plants, straw and fodder.....	1.189	133.1	145.8	25.0	-10.9	9.4	11.3	9.5
III	ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS.....	0.321	161.9	182.4	28.0	-3.4	2.7	10.1	12.7
IV	PREPARED FOODSTUFFS, BEVERAGES, AND TOBACCO.....	2.652	104.2	107.7	7.5	-0.8	1.8	0.7	3.4
20	Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts, or other parts of plants.....	0.316	106.2	106.5	4.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.4	0.3
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations.....	0.346	100.8	101.0	0.1	-0.9	-0.1	0.1	0.2
23	Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal feed.....	0.581	117.4	131.0	26.9	-3.1	8.7	0.7	11.6
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.....	0.688	97.6	99.4	1.8	0.0	0.0	1.2	1.8
2/	Other prepared foods.....	0.720	103.8	104.6	3.9	0.1	0.0	0.8	0.8
V	MINERAL PRODUCTS.....	2.343	106.9	105.5	8.0	3.0	-3.8	-0.5	-1.3
27	Mineral fuels, oils and residuals, bituminous substances and mineral wax.....	1.904	105.5	103.7	3.7	3.5	-4.5	-0.7	-1.7
VI	PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL OR ALLIED INDUSTRIES.....	9.142	102.2	102.6	4.9	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.4
28	Inorganic chemicals.....	0.820	102.5	102.2	6.0	2.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.3
29	Organic chemicals.....	2.886	102.0	102.9	5.9	0.7	0.5	0.9	0.9
30	Pharmaceutical products.....	1.480	104.2	104.7	4.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.5
31	Fertilizers.....	0.384	116.9	115.2	12.7	3.0	0.3	-0.7	-1.5
32	Tanning or dyeing extracts, dyes, paints, varnish, putty, & inks.....	0.573	99.1	99.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
33	Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet.....	0.538	101.0	101.3	2.8	0.1	0.2	2.3	0.3
34	Soap; lubricants; waxes, polishing or scouring products; candles, pastes.....	0.316	100.6	100.6	0.7	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods.....	0.451	98.0	99.5	4.5	-2.4	-0.6	1.2	1.5
38	Miscellaneous chemical products.....	1.461	101.8	102.0	4.2	0.0	-0.1	0.5	0.2
VII	PLASTICS AND ARTICLES THEREOF; RUBBER AND ARTICLES THEREOF.....	4.794	101.6	101.6	3.0	-0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.0
39	Plastics and articles thereof.....	3.767	99.5	99.3	2.5	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
40	Rubber and articles thereof.....	1.027	109.7	110.1	5.0	-0.9	-0.2	0.2	0.4
VIII	RAW HIDES, SKINS, LEATHER, FURSKINS, TRAVEL GOODS, ETC.....	0.490	108.9	107.8	1.1	0.7	2.7	0.8	-1.0
41	Raw hides and skins (other than furskins) and leather.....	0.352	109.3	106.7	-2.5	1.5	4.1	0.4	-2.4
IX	WOOD, WOOD CHARCOAL, CORK, STRAW, BASKETWARE AND WICKERWORK.....	0.847	98.2	98.7	6.1	0.7	2.5	0.6	0.5
X	WOODPULP, RECOVERED PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS.....	2.650	95.0	95.7	2.8	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.7
47	Woodpulp and recovered paper.....	0.548	87.3	88.5	5.0	-0.1	4.4	2.5	1.4
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp, paper or paperboard.....	1.455	94.8	95.3	1.7	0.2	0.0	-1.0	0.5
49	Printed material.....	0.647	107.2	107.9	3.6	0.1	-1.2	0.5	0.7

See footnotes at end of table

Table 6 U.S. Export Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Goods,
November 2002-November 2003 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Harmonized System	Description	Relative Importance	Index		Percent Change				
			October 2003	November 2003	Annual	Monthly			
					Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
XI	TEXTILE AND TEXTILE ARTICLES.....	2.961	99.8	100.8	4.9	0.0	0.0	1.6	1.0
52	Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof.....	0.513	101.5	107.8	28.9	0.7	2.8	9.8	6.2
54	Manmade filaments, yarns and woven fabrics (200112=100).....	0.346	110.3	110.5	11.6	0.3	-0.5	-0.2	0.2
61	Apparel & clothing knitted or crocheted (200112=100).....	0.573	95.5	95.5	-2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
62	Apparel Articles & Accessories, not knitted.....	0.457	95.6	95.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0
	Other textile and textile articles (200112=100).....	1.072	105.9	105.5	-0.5	-0.5	-1.0	0.2	-0.4
XIII	STONE, PLASTER, CEMENT, ASBESTOS, CERAMICS, GLASS ETC.....	0.819	98.3	98.5	-1.4	-0.3	-1.7	-0.1	0.2
70	Glass and glassware.....	0.497	96.2	96.4	-1.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1	0.2
XIV	PEARLS, STONES, PRECIOUS METALS, IMITATION JEWELRY, AND COINS.....	1.983	96.0	96.0	7.6	-0.7	1.8	3.3	0.0
XV	BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS.....	4.358	101.6	103.0	5.0	0.9	0.4	0.4	1.4
72	Iron and steel.....	0.764	108.4	109.6	11.3	3.4	1.3	1.8	1.1
73	Articles of iron or steel.....	1.293	104.6	104.6	1.8	0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.0
74	Copper and articles thereof.....	0.467	98.5	103.7	17.0	2.7	1.5	1.1	5.3
76	Aluminum and articles thereof.....	0.714	94.7	97.1	4.1	0.2	0.8	-0.3	2.5
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof.....	0.410	101.2	101.2	-1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal.....	0.471	107.6	107.8	3.3	-0.2	0.0	-0.6	0.2
XVI	MACHINERY, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TV IMAGE AND SOUND RECORDERS, PARTS, ETC..	39.151	94.9	94.9	-1.7	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.0
84	Machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	21.066	99.1	99.4	0.9	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.3
85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts and accessories thereof.....	18.085	90.2	90.0	-4.5	-0.1	-0.4	-0.4	-0.2
XVII	VEHICLES, AIRCRAFT, VESSELS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.....	13.787	105.5	105.5	1.6	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.0
87	Motor vehicles and their parts.....	8.465	101.5	101.6	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1
XVIII	OPTICAL, PHOTO, MEASURING, MEDICAL & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS; & TIMEPIECES.....	6.283	101.2	101.5	0.7	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3
XX	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.....	1.620	100.8	100.9	-0.3	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1
94	Furniture; stuffed furnishings; lamps and lighting fittings nesoi;.....	0.907	102.9	102.9	1.1	0.4	0.8	0.0	0.0
95	Toys, games and sports equipment; parts and accessories thereof.....	0.549	98.2	98.4	-2.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.2

1 Relative importance figures are based on 2000 trade values.

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

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

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Table 7 U.S. Import Price Indexes and Percent Changes by Locality of Origin,
November 2002-November 2003 2000=100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Percentage of U.S. Imports ^{1/}	Index		Percent Change				
		October 2003	November 2003	Annual	Monthly			
				Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
<u>2/</u> Industrialized Countries.....	51.536	98.8	99.4	3.0	-0.2	0.0	0.2	0.6
Manufactured Goods.....	47.500	98.6	99.1	2.5	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.5
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.633	106.8	108.1	9.4	-2.6	-1.9	-1.9	1.2
<u>3/</u> Other Countries.....	47.115	92.9	93.1	0.9	0.1	-1.0	-0.2	0.2
Manufactured Goods.....	39.179	94.5	94.5	-1.0	0.0	0.0	-0.4	0.0
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	7.843	99.3	100.8	11.0	0.9	-5.6	0.5	1.5
Canada.....	18.515	103.7	104.0	4.9	-0.4	0.4	-0.2	0.3
Manufactured Goods.....	15.442	103.3	103.6	3.9	0.3	1.0	0.1	0.3
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	2.749	109.3	110.1	9.9	-3.6	-3.0	-2.0	0.7
<u>4/</u> European Union.....	17.316	103.3	103.8	3.3	0.0	-0.2	0.4	0.5
Manufactured Goods.....	16.884	103.7	104.2	3.2	0.0	-0.1	0.5	0.5
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	0.375	106.6	108.8	7.6	0.4	-1.1	-4.4	2.1
<u>5/</u> Latin America.....	17.310	100.5	100.6	3.5	0.7	-1.6	0.7	0.1
Manufactured Goods.....	13.644	104.2	103.9	0.5	0.6	0.0	-0.1	-0.3
Nonmanufactured Goods.....	3.634	105.2	106.6	15.4	1.3	-7.8	4.2	1.3
Japan.....	12.262	93.9	94.1	-0.4	0.0	-0.4	0.1	0.2
<u>6/</u> Asian Newly Industrialized Countries.....	9.281	91.0	90.8	-1.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2

1 Percentage of trade figures are based on 2000 trade values.

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

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

4 Includes European Union countries.

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

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

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

Regions are not mutually exclusive.

n.a. Not available

Table 8 U.S. Import and Export Quarterly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
September 2002-September 2003 2000 = 100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		June 2003	September 2003	Annual	Quarterly			
				Sept. 2002 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2002 to Dec. 2002	Dec. 2002 to March 2003	March 2003 to June 2003	June 2003 to Sept. 2003
IMPORT								
Air Freight.....	4168	111.5	117.5	16.1	5.6	3.1	1.2	5.4
Atlantic.....	1519	117.7	115.4	13.9	4.7	5.9	4.7	-2.0
Pacific.....	2412	104.0	116.4	19.8	6.8	1.6	-1.4	11.9
EXPORT								
Air Freight.....	2836	95.2	95.1	-3.3	-3.2	1.2	-1.1	-0.1

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

NOTES: Data may be revised one quarter after original publication.
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Table 9 U.S. Import and Export Monthly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
November 2002-November 2003 2000 = 100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) <u>1/</u>	Index		Percent Change				
		October 2003	November 2003	Annual	Monthly			
				Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
IMPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	18253	114.5	106.0	0.4	0.2	-2.9	-9.1	-7.4
Europe.....	11250	110.0	97.4	-2.0	0.8	-2.8	-13.5	-11.5
Asia.....	2626	109.8	109.3	2.4	0.1	-9.6	-1.1	-0.5
Latin America / Caribbean.....	1916	106.1	106.5	3.8	-0.5	-5.8	-1.1	0.4
EXPORT								
Air Passenger Fares.....	20319	120.1	118.4	14.8	3.4	-7.6	1.8	-1.4
Europe.....	5394	146.2	139.2	19.2	-0.6	-12.6	4.3	-4.8
Asia.....	8936	104.7	104.6	15.7	11.0	-8.9	0.9	-0.1
Latin America / Caribbean.....	3474	124.2	126.4	3.7	-1.1	0.7	0.3	1.8

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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

Table 10 U.S. International Quarterly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
September 2002-September 2003 2000 = 100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) 1/	Index		Percent Change				
		June 2003	September 2003	Annual	Quarterly			
				Sept. 2002 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2002 to Dec. 2002	Dec. 2002 to March 2003	March 2003 to June 2003	June 2003 to Sept. 2003
Air Freight (Inbound).....	7483	109.4	112.6	12.3	5.6	2.7	0.6	2.9
Atlantic.....	2607	121.4	119.0	13.0	4.7	5.3	4.6	-2.0
Pacific.....	4314	101.0	108.2	13.1	6.8	1.4	-2.5	7.1
Air Freight (Outbound).....	5193	95.4	95.4	-2.0	-2.0	1.9	-1.9	0.0
Atlantic.....	2094	97.1	96.5	-2.7	-1.6	0.8	-1.3	-0.6
Pacific.....	2639	95.3	95.6	-0.9	-1.5	2.6	-2.4	0.3
Ocean Liner Freight (Inbound).....	17817	116.1	116.2	24.3	-0.2	0.8	23.5	0.1
U.S. East Coast.....	6938	108.4	107.0	9.0	0.3	1.5	8.4	-1.3
from Atlantic.....	3022	105.4	105.4	-2.3	0.3	-3.7	1.2	0.0
from Pacific.....	2817	110.3	110.3	27.5	0.0	5.3	21.1	0.0
U.S. West Coast.....	10879	121.5	122.7	35.0	-0.6	0.2	34.1	1.0

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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

Table 11 U.S. International Monthly Price Indexes and Percent Changes for Selected Categories of Services
November 2002-November 2003 2000 = 100, unless otherwise noted

Description	Trade (Mil. of Dollars) 1/	Index		Percent Change				
		October 2003	November 2003	Annual	Monthly			
				Nov. 2002 to Nov. 2003	July 2003 to Aug. 2003	Aug. 2003 to Sept. 2003	Sept. 2003 to Oct. 2003	Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2003
Air Passenger Fares (U.S. Carrier).....	45965	118.3	116.4	8.5	1.8	-6.0	-1.2	-1.6
Europe.....	16000	125.9	118.6	5.0	-0.2	-7.9	-4.3	-5.8
Asia.....	13499	109.7	109.3	11.1	8.2	-7.8	-0.4	-0.4
Latin America / Caribbean.....	10764	124.1	126.6	5.5	0.2	-3.2	1.1	2.0
Canada.....	3519	134.1	137.3	22.4	-0.2	-1.0	3.2	2.4
Air Passenger Fares (Foreign Carrier)...	39205	121.6	116.5	9.9	1.5	-5.9	-2.6	-4.2
Europe.....	21511	127.8	119.1	9.1	-0.4	-6.6	-3.6	-6.8
Asia.....	8446	108.3	107.2	9.5	10.0	-10.1	-2.2	-1.0
Latin America / Caribbean.....	4107	115.5	114.7	8.7	-2.1	-2.7	0.0	-0.7
Canada (2002=100).....	2368	112.0	113.3	n.a.	2.5	-0.4	0.9	1.2
Crude Oil Tanker Freight (Inbound).....	3434	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-15.7	-6.9	n.a.	n.a.

1 Trade dollar values are based on 2000 trade values.

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