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EXTERNAL TRADE PERFORMANCE
OCTOBER 2009
(Preliminary)

	2009		2008
	October ^p	September ^r	October ^r
TOTAL IMPORTS			
FOB Value (in Million US Dollars)	3,808.28	3,669.91	4,577.74
Year-on-Year Growth (Percent)	- 16.8	- 25.0	- 11.1
Month-on-Month Growth (Percent)	3.8	1.5	- 6.4
Electronic Products			
FOB Value (in Million US Dollars)	1,430.94	1,330.50	1,613.75
Year-on-Year Growth (Percent)	- 11.3	- 22.1	- 30.6
Month-on-Month Growth (Percent)	7.6	2.2	- 5.5

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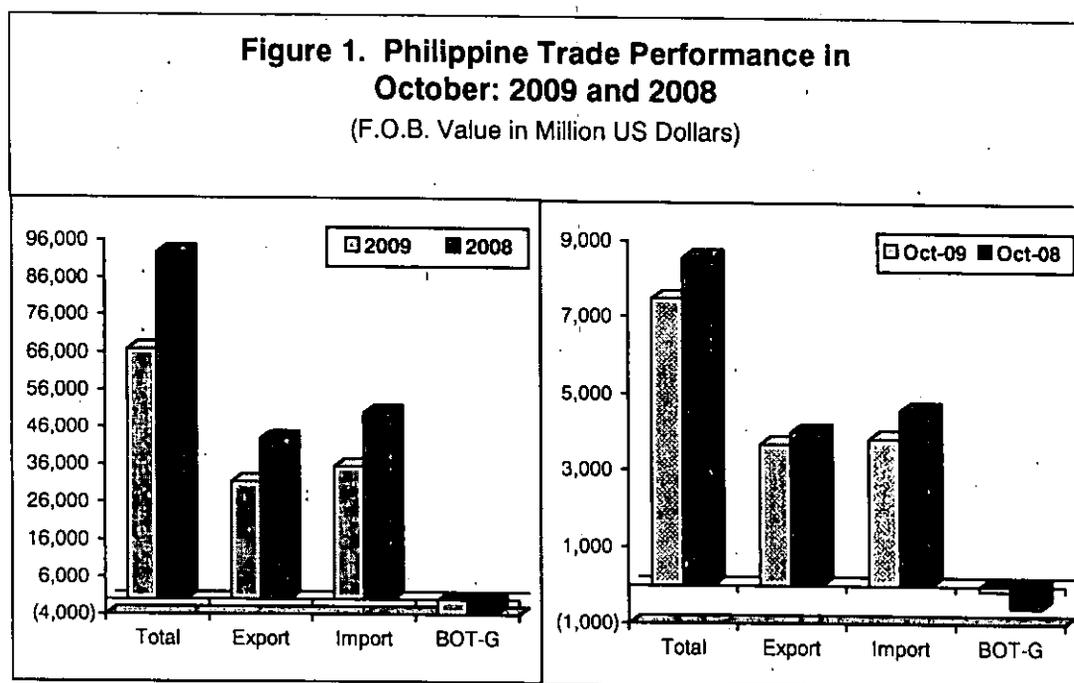
Top 10 Philippine Imports from All Countries: October 2009 (Year-on-Year Growth in Percent)			
Gainer		Losers	
Metalliferous Ores and Metal Scrap	109.7	Transport Equipment	- 35.9
		Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials	- 32.9
		Plastics in Primary and Non-Primary Forms	- 19.2
		Industrial Machinery and Equipment	- 16.2
		Electronic Products	- 11.3
		Organic and Inorganic Chemicals	- 10.0
		Cereals and Cereal Preparations	- 8.2
		Telecommunication Equipment and Electrical Machinery	- 8.2
		Iron and Steel	- 6.3

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JANUARY TO OCTOBER 2009 TOTAL TRADE STOOD AT \$66.796 BILLION

Total external trade in goods for January to October 2009 amounted to \$66.796 billion, a 28.1 percent decline from \$92.850 billion registered during the same month in 2008. Total imports posted a 29.0 percent annual decrease from \$49.960 billion to \$35.485 billion. Total exports likewise slipped by 27.0 percent from \$42.890 billion in January to October of 2008 to \$31.311 billion. Thus, the balance of trade in goods (BOT-G) for the Philippines posted a deficit of \$4.175 billion during the 10-month period in 2009, a value less than the \$7.070 billion deficit in the same 10-month period last year.



OCTOBER 2009 IMPORTS FELL BY 16.8 PERCENT

Combined import and export merchandise trade for October 2009 dropped by 12.7 percent from \$8.568 billion in October 2008 to \$7.478 billion. This was due to the decrease in total merchandise imports by 16.8 percent from \$4.578 billion in October 2008 to \$3.808 billion. Similarly, total exports declined by 8.0 percent from \$3.990 billion to \$3.670 billion. The balance of trade in goods (BOT-G) in October 2009 recorded a deficit of \$138 million, lower than the last year's recorded deficit of \$588 million. On a month-on-month basis, total imports for

October 2009 inched up by 3.8 percent from \$3.670 billion recorded in September 2009.

ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS ACCOUNTED FOR 37.6 PERCENT OF IMPORT BILL

Accounting for 37.6 percent of the aggregate import bill and the country's major commodity imported in October 2009, payments for **Electronic Products** including consigned and direct importation using the expanded coverage of electronic products amounted to \$1.431 billion in October 2009. It went down to 11.3 percent over last year's figure of \$1.614 billion. This was due to the 12.9 percent decrease in **Components/Devices (Semiconductors)** which comprised the biggest share of 27.9 percent among the major groups of electronic products. However, electronic products showed an increase of 7.6 percent month-on-month from \$1.331 billion in September 2009.

Imports of **Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials** comprising 16.0 percent of the total imports in October 2009 ranked second. This commodity group decelerated by 32.9 percent from \$905.42 million to \$607.92 million.

Transport Equipment, amounting to \$194.49 million was the Philippines' third top import for the month with 5.1 percent share to total imports and recorded the highest annual decrease of 35.9 percent among top ten imports from previous year's level of \$303.35 million to \$194.49 million.

Contributing 4.3 percent to the total import bill and the country's fourth top imports in October 2009 was **Industrial Machinery and Equipment** with payments placed at \$162.79 million. The amount decelerated by 16.2 percent from last year's recorded value of \$194.36 million.

Fifth in rank and with 2.7 percent share, **Iron and Steel** registered \$103.88 million worth of imports, lower by 6.3 percent from its year ago level of \$110.90 million.

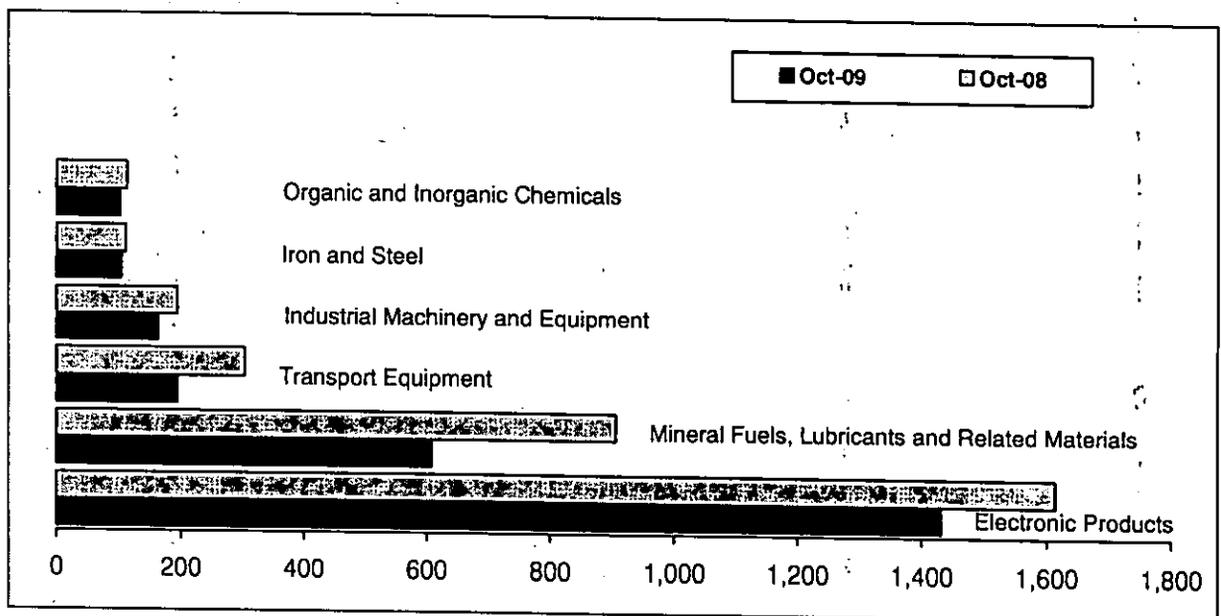
Organic and Inorganic Chemicals exhibiting 2.7 percent of the total imports ranked sixth, valued at \$101.62 million and showed a decrease of 10.0 percent from its year ago level of \$112.91 million.

Rounding up the list of the top ten imports for October 2009 were **Telecommunication Equipment and Electrical Machinery** including telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and

equipment, accounting for \$81.03 million decreased by 8.2 percent; **Cereals and Cereal Preparations** amounting to \$77.48 million went down by 8.2 percent; **Plastics in Primary and Non-Primary Forms** valued at \$76.24 million fell by 19.2 percent; and **Metalliferous Ores and Non-Primary Forms** worth \$73.56 million jumped to 109.7 percent, the biggest annual growth from among the top ten imports.

Aggregate payment for the country's top ten imports for October 2009 reached \$2.910 billion or 76.4 percent of the total import bill.

Figure 2. Philippine Top Six Imports in October 2009 and 2008
(F.O.B. Value in Million US Dollars)



RAW MATERIALS AND INTERMEDIATE GOODS ACCOUNTED FOR 39.8 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL IMPORTS

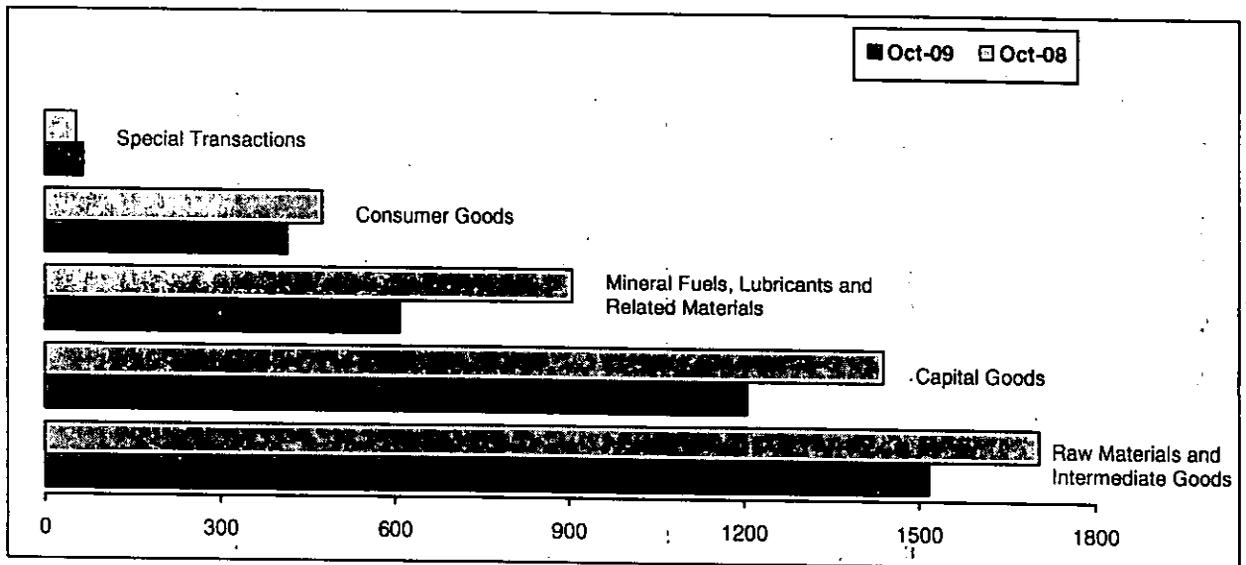
Accounting for 39.8 percent of the total imports, payments in October 2009 for **Raw Materials and Intermediate Goods** amounted to \$1.516 billion or 11.1 percent decline over last year's figure of \$1.704 billion. Compared to the previous month's level, purchases climbed to 11.8 percent from \$1.356 billion. **Semi-Processed Raw Materials** having the biggest share of 34.9 percent and valued at \$1.327 billion decreased by 14.0 percent year-on-year from \$1.543 billion.

Capital Goods, contributing 31.6 percent to the total imports, plummeted by 16.3 percent from \$1.439 billion in October 2008 to \$1.205 billion. Similarly, **Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials** with 16.0 percent share, contracted by 32.9 percent from its year ago level of \$905.42 million to \$607.92 million.

Purchases of **Consumer Goods** amounted to \$413.79 million or a negative growth of 12.8 percent from \$474.62 million in October 2008, while **Special Transactions** showed a growth of 22.0 percent to \$65.78 million from \$53.92 million in October 2008.

Figure 3: Philippine Imports by Major Type of Goods in October: 2009 and 2008

(F.O.B. Value in Million US Dollars)



JAPAN ACCOUNTED FOR 13.3 PERCENT OF IMPORT BILL

Japan including Okinawa, the country's biggest source of imports for October 2009 with 13.3 percent share, recorded payments worth \$506.73 million contracting by 16.0 percent from \$603.54 million in October 2008. Revenue from the country's exports to **Japan**, on the other hand, reached \$598.92 million, generating a total trade value of \$1.106 billion and \$92.18 million trade surplus for the Philippines.

United States of America (including Alaska and Hawaii) with 11.8 percent share of the total import bill amounting to \$447.87 million followed as the second biggest source of imports for October 2009. This value is lower by 25.2 percent from \$598.49 million recorded in October 2008. Exports to **USA** amounted to \$660.48 million, yielding a two-way trade value of \$1.108 billion and a trade surplus of \$212.61 million.

Singapore came third, accounting for 9.2 percent share of the total import bill in October 2009 decreased by 14.3 percent from \$407.74 million in October 2008 to \$349.40 million in October 2009. Exports to **Singapore** amounted to \$216.15 million resulting to a total trade value of \$565.55 million and a trade deficit of \$133.25 million.

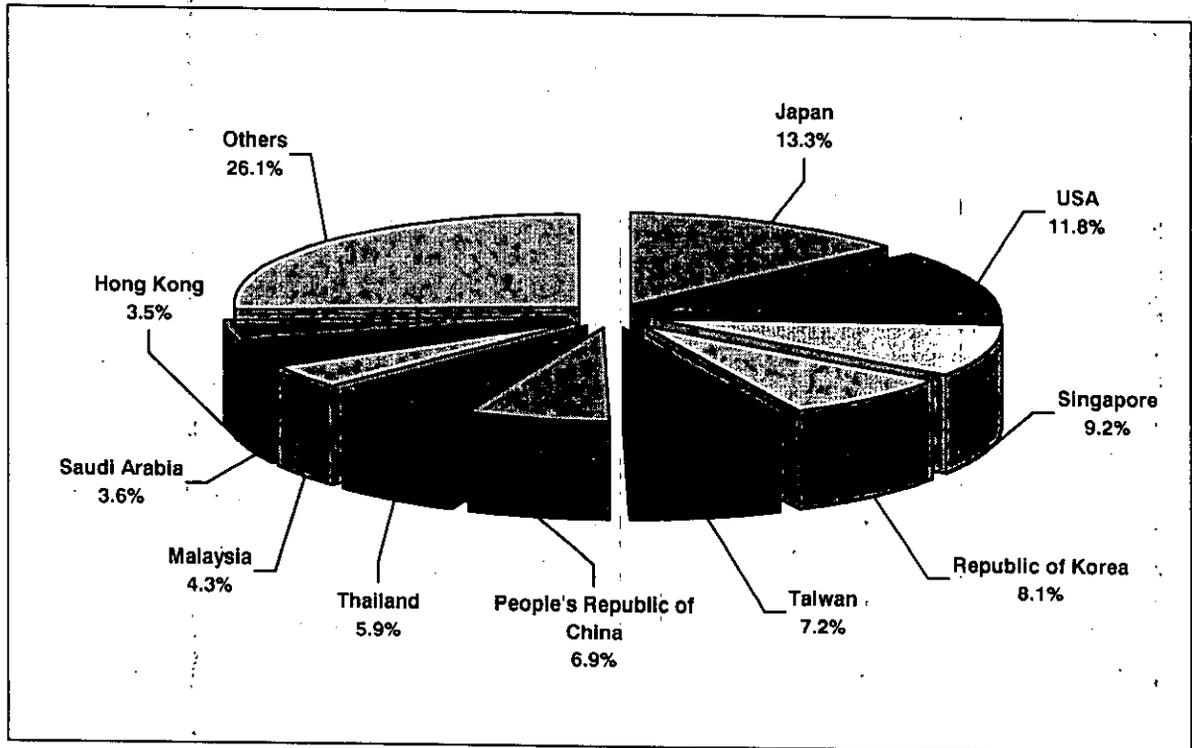
Ranked fourth in October 2009 and with 8.1 percent share was **Republic of Korea** valued at \$309.86 million. This amount increased by 30.2 percent from \$237.92 million posted in October 2008. Exports to **Republic of Korea** amounted to \$192.52 million resulting to a total trade value of \$502.38 million and a trade deficit of \$117.33 million.

Fifth in rank is **Taiwan**, representing 7.2 percent of the total import bill in October 2009, amounting to \$275.83 million. Export receipts from **Taiwan** in October 2009 reached \$96.72 million yielding a total trade value of \$372.55 million and a trade deficit of \$179.11 million.

Other major sources of imports for the month of October 2009 were **People's Republic of China**, \$262.43 million; **Thailand**, \$224.30 million; **Malaysia** including Sabah and Sarawak, \$164.69 million; **Saudi Arabia**, \$138.27 million; and **Hong Kong**, \$134.56 million.

Payments for imports from the top ten sources for October 2009 amounted to \$2.814 billion or 73.9 percent of the total import.

Figure 4. Philippine Imports by Country in October: 2009
(F.O.B. Value in Million US Dollars)



IMPORTS FROM EASTERN ASIA WORTH \$1.492 BILLION

Philippines total imports in October 2009 with **Eastern Asia** (China, Hong Kong, Japan, Macau, Mongolia, North Korea, South Korea and Taiwan) represented 39.2 percent of the country's total imports with total payments of \$1.492 billion or a negative growth of 9.6 percent from October 2008 level of \$1.650 billion. Total exports to member-countries of **Eastern Asia** was valued at \$1.368 billion, resulting to a total trade of \$2.860 billion and a balance of trade in goods (BOT-G) deficit of \$124.10 million.

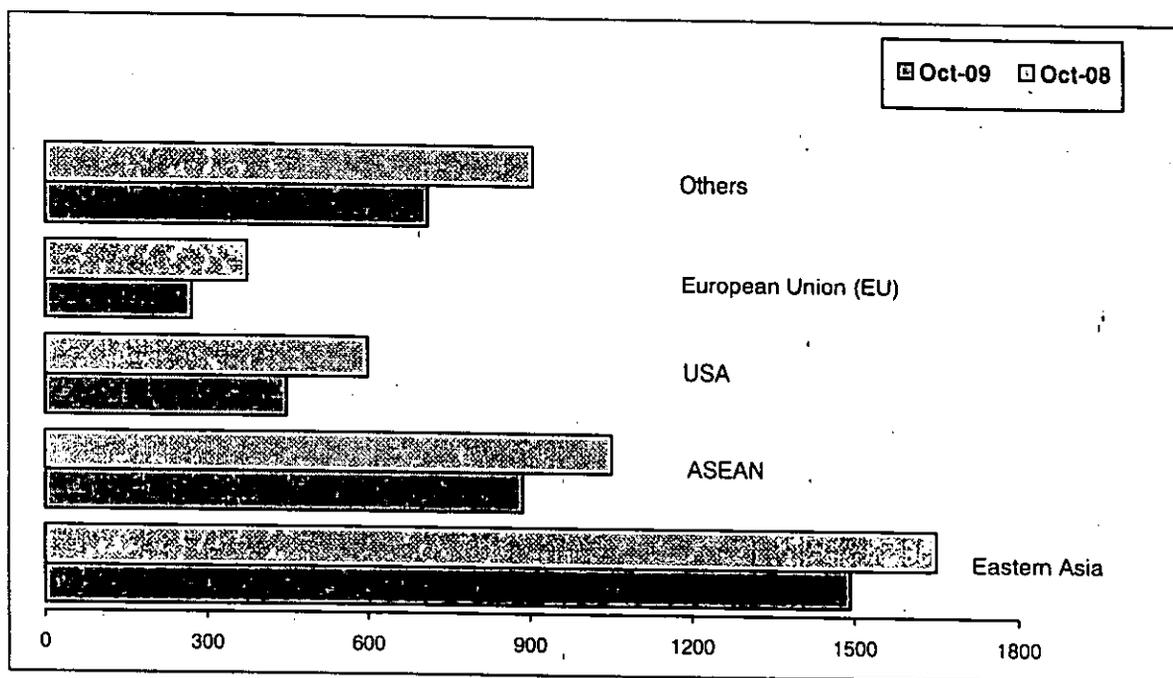
Imports from **ASEAN** member-countries in October 2009 accounted for 23.3 percent share, a decrease of 15.6 percent from \$1.050 billion registered in October 2008 to \$886.11 million. Exports to **ASEAN** member-countries worth \$552.17 million resulted to a total trade of \$1.438 billion and trade deficit of \$333.94 million.

October 2009 imports from **European Union** were valued at \$271.56 million while exports to member-countries of **European Union** were worth \$904.35

million. This aggregated to total trade of \$1.176 billion and a trade surplus of \$632.78 million.

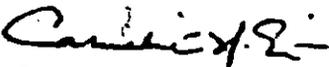
**Figure 5. Philippine Imports by Selected Economic Bloc in October:
2009 and 2008**

(F.O.B. Value in Million US Dollars)



Technical Notes:

1. Adjustments on electronic import statistics are based on the transactions that pass through the Automated Cargo Operating System (ACOS) of the Bureau of Customs (BOC).
2. Starting with the February 2007 Press Release, analysis and tables are based on the 2004 Philippine Standard Commodity Classification (PSCC) groupings. This is in compliance with NSCB Resolution No. 03, Series of 2005 entitled "Approving and Adopting the 2004 Philippine Standard Commodity Classification" by all concerned government agencies and instrumentalities.


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Table 1 Total Trade by Month and Year: 2009 - 2007
(F.O.B. Value in Million US\$)

Month/Year	Total Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade	Cumulative			Balance of Trade
					Total Trade	Imports	Exports	
January								
2007	7,896	3,904	3,992	88	7,896	3,904	3,992	88
2008	9,226	4,996	4,231	(765)	9,226	4,996	4,231	(765)
2009	5,781	3,270	2,511	(759)	5,781	3,270	2,511	(759)
February								
2007	7,411	3,690	3,721	31	15,307	7,594	7,713	119
2008	8,603	4,491	4,112	(379)	17,830	9,487	8,343	(1,145)
2009	5,565	3,059	2,506	(552)	11,346	6,329	5,017	(1,311)
March								
2007	9,054	4,567	4,487	(79)	24,361	12,161	12,201	40
2008	9,323	5,123	4,200	(923)	27,153	14,610	12,543	(2,068)
2009	6,177	3,270	2,907	(363)	17,523	9,599	7,924	(1,674)
April								
2007	8,467	4,343	4,124	(219)	32,828	16,504	16,325	(179)
2008	9,184	4,857	4,327	(529)	36,337	19,467	16,870	(2,597)
2009	5,845	3,042	2,803	(239)	23,368	12,640	10,727	(1,913)
May								
2007	8,424	4,296	4,128	(168)	41,252	20,800	20,452	(347)
2008	9,001	4,776	4,225	(550)	45,338	24,243	21,096	(3,147)
2009	6,704	3,617	3,088	(529)	30,072	16,257	13,815	(2,442)
June								
2007	8,854	4,707	4,147	(559)	50,106	25,506	24,600	(906)
2008	9,849	5,322	4,527	(795)	55,188	29,565	25,623	(3,943)
2009	7,513	4,107	3,406	(701)	37,585	20,364	17,221	(3,143)
July								
2007	9,290	5,042	4,249	(793)	59,397	30,548	28,849	(1,699)
2008	10,320	5,882	4,437	(1,445)	65,507	35,447	30,060	(5,388)
2009	7,337	4,026	3,311	(715)	44,922	24,390	20,532	(3,858)
August								
2007	9,108	4,987	4,121	(865)	68,505	35,534	32,970	(2,564)
2008	9,439	5,044	4,394	(650)	74,946	40,492	34,454	(6,037)
2009	7,090	3,617	3,473	(144)	52,012	28,007	24,005	(4,002)
September								
2007	9,133	4,744	4,389	(354)	77,638	40,278	37,359	(2,919)
2008	9,337	4,891	4,446	(445)	84,283	45,383	38,900	(6,483)
2009	7,306	3,670	3,636	(34)	59,318	31,677	27,641	(4,036)
October								
2007	9,810	5,151	4,660	(491)	87,448	45,429	42,019	(3,410)
2008 ^r	8,568	4,578	3,990	(588)	92,850	49,960	42,890	(7,070)
2009 ^p	7,478	3,808	3,670	(138)	66,796	35,485	31,311	(4,175)
November								
2007	9,049	5,084	3,965	(1,119)	96,497	50,513	45,984	(4,529)
2008	6,998	3,485	3,513	28	99,848	53,445	46,403	(7,042)
December								
2007	9,483	5,001	4,482	(519)	105,979	55,514	50,466	(5,048)
2008	5,976	3,301	2,675	(626)	105,824	56,746	49,078	(7,669)

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Table 1a Total Growth Rate by Month and Year: 2009-2008

Month/Year	Total Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade	Cumulative			Balance of Trade
					Total Trade	Imports	Exports	
January								
2008	16.8	28.0	6.0	(972.6)	16.8	28.0	6.0	(972.6)
2009	(37.3)	(34.5)	(40.6)	(0.8)	(37.3)	(34.5)	(40.6)	(0.8)
February								
2008	16.1	21.7	10.5	(1,315.9)	16.5	24.9	8.2	(1,062.7)
2009	(35.3)	(31.9)	(39.0)	45.6	(36.4)	(33.3)	(39.9)	14.6
March								
2008	3.0	12.2	(6.4)	1,065.5	11.5	20.1	2.8	(5,306.1)
2009	(33.8)	(36.2)	(30.8)	(60.7)	(35.5)	(34.3)	(36.8)	(19.0)
April								
2008	8.5	11.8	4.9	142.1	10.7	18.0	3.3	1,350.6
2009	(36.4)	(37.4)	(35.2)	(54.9)	(35.7)	(35.1)	(36.4)	(26.3)
May								
2008	6.9	11.2	2.4	227.0	9.9	16.6	3.1	806.2
2009	(25.5)	(24.3)	(26.9)	(3.9)	(33.7)	(32.9)	(34.5)	(22.4)
June								
2008	11.2	13.1	9.2	42.2	10.1	15.9	4.2	335.0
2009	(23.7)	(22.8)	(24.8)	(11.9)	(31.9)	(31.1)	(32.8)	(20.3)
July								
2008	11.1	16.7	4.4	82.3	10.3	16.0	4.2	217.1
2009	(28.9)	(31.6)	(25.4)	(50.5)	(31.4)	(31.2)	(31.7)	(28.4)
August								
2008	3.6	1.2	6.6	(24.9)	9.4	14.0	4.5	135.4
2009	(24.9)	(28.3)	(21.0)	(77.8)	(30.6)	(30.8)	(30.3)	(33.7)
September								
2008	2.2	3.1	1.3	25.7	8.6	12.7	4.1	122.1
2009	(21.8)	(25.0)	(18.2)	(92.3)	(29.6)	(30.2)	(28.9)	(37.7)
October								
2008 ^r	(12.7)	(11.1)	(14.4)	19.7	6.2	10.0	2.1	107.4
2009 ^p	(12.7)	(16.8)	(8.0)	(76.5)	(28.1)	(29.0)	(27.0)	(41.0)
November								
2008	(22.7)	(31.5)	(11.4)	(102.5)	3.5	5.8	0.9	55.5
December								
2008	(37.0)	(34.0)	(40.3)	20.8	(0.1)	2.2	(2.8)	51.9

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Table 2 Philippine Imports from all Countries
October and September 2009 and October 2008
(F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

Commodity	2009				2008		Growth Rates (%)	
	October ^p	% Share	September ^r	% Share	October	% Share	Monthly	Annual
Total	3,808.28	100.00	3,669.91	100.00	4,577.74	100.00	3.77	(16.81)
1 Electronic Products 1/ a) Components/Devices (Semiconductors)	1,430.94	37.57	1,330.50	36.25	1,613.75	35.25	7.55	(11.33)
b) Electronic Data Processing	1,062.87	27.91	980.78	26.72	1,220.68	26.67	8.37	(12.93)
c) Office Equipment	223.60	5.87	216.25	5.89	229.66	5.02	3.40	(2.64)
d) Consumer Electronics	6.42	0.17	7.98	0.22	8.79	0.19	(19.55)	(26.95)
e) Telecommunication	38.49	1.01	26.78	0.73	38.73	0.85	43.72	(0.63)
f) Communication/Radar	75.51	1.98	72.12	1.97	76.45	1.67	4.70	(1.24)
g) Control and Instrumentation	9.09	0.24	11.84	0.32	17.45	0.38	(23.24)	(47.93)
h) Medical/Industrial Instrumentation	9.31	0.24	9.01	0.25	11.59	0.25	3.36	(19.68)
i) Automotive Electronics	3.61	0.09	4.14	0.11	7.01	0.15	(12.96)	(48.53)
2 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials	2.04	0.05	1.59	0.04	3.38	0.07	28.81	(39.54)
3 Transport Equipment	607.92	15.96	681.73	18.58	905.42	19.78	(10.83)	(32.86)
4 Industrial Machinery and Equipment	194.49	5.11	221.36	6.03	303.35	6.63	(12.14)	(35.89)
5 Iron and Steel	162.79	4.27	127.26	3.47	194.36	4.25	27.92	(16.24)
6 Organic and Inorganic Chemicals	103.88	2.73	80.58	2.20	110.90	2.42	28.91	(6.33)
7 Telecommunication Equipment and Electrical Machinery 2/	101.62	2.67	88.17	2.40	112.91	2.47	15.25	(10.00)
8 Cereals and Cereal Preparations	81.03	2.13	89.54	2.44	88.25	1.93	(9.50)	(8.18)
9 Plastics in Primary and Non-Primary Forms	77.48	2.03	69.70	1.90	84.41	1.84	11.16	(8.20)
10 Metalliferous Ores and Metal Scrap	76.24	2.00	68.85	1.88	94.36	2.06	10.74	(19.20)
	73.56	1.93	32.38	0.88	35.08	0.77	127.19	109.69
Top 10 Imports Total	2,909.95	76.41	2,790.06	76.03	3,542.80	77.39	4.30	(17.86)
11 Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products	52.92	1.39	61.46	1.67	58.98	1.29	(13.89)	(10.27)
12 Feeding Stuff For Animals (Not Including Unmilled Cereals)	52.74	1.38	59.30	1.62	58.75	1.28	(11.05)	(10.22)
13 Non-Ferrous Metal	51.53	1.35	48.27	1.32	70.93	1.55	6.75	(27.35)
14 Chemical Materials and Products, n.e.s.	49.12	1.29	48.53	1.32	58.85	1.29	1.23	(16.52)
15 Paper and Paper Products	48.97	1.29	45.82	1.25	51.29	1.12	6.87	(4.53)
16 Metal Products	44.57	1.17	35.34	0.96	39.32	0.86	26.14	13.37
17 Dairy Products	44.35	1.16	24.18	0.66	64.41	1.41	83.44	(31.14)
18 Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-Up Articles and Related Products 3/	42.93	1.13	46.60	1.27	65.08	1.42	(7.89)	(34.04)
19 Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	39.33	1.03	41.24	1.12	47.99	1.05	(4.63)	(18.05)
20 Fertilizers, Manufactured	28.46	0.75	26.00	0.71	41.78	0.91	9.49	(31.88)
21 Power Generating and Specialized Machinery	26.93	0.71	37.33	1.02	20.70	0.45	(27.86)	30.12
22 Professional, Scientific and Controlling Instruments; Photographic and Optical Goods, n.e.s.; Watches and Clocks	25.05	0.66	36.19	0.99	33.92	0.74	(30.79)	(26.15)
23 Dyeing, Tanning and Coloring Materials	23.80	0.63	21.33	0.58	23.74	0.52	11.59	0.26
24 Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures	22.86	0.60	25.80	0.70	27.72	0.61	(11.40)	(17.54)
25 Rubber Manufacture	13.24	0.35	13.91	0.38	13.47	0.29	(4.84)	(1.71)
26 Textiles Fiber & Their Waste	8.81	0.23	7.80	0.21	7.12	0.16	12.93	23.76
27 Office and EDP Machines	0.35	0.01	0.37	0.01	0.43	0.01	(6.08)	(19.62)
28 Others	322.36	8.46	300.38	8.18	350.47	7.66	7.32	(8.02)

- 1/ includes consigned and direct importation using the expanded coverage of electronic products
2/ includes telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment
3/ includes on consignment and not on consignment
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Tables 2a Philippine Imports from all Countries
January to October 2009 and 2008
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Commodity	2009	2008	Growth Rate
	Jan-Oct ^p	Jan-Oct ^r	
Total	35,485,426,916	49,960,419,695	(28.97)
1 Electronic Products 1/	12,778,459,979	17,605,551,273	(27.42)
a) Components/Devices (Semiconductors)	9,622,935,725	13,652,707,552	(29.52)
b) Electronic Data Processing	1,792,262,346	2,417,475,799	(25.86)
c) Office Equipment	66,685,735	64,352,863	3.63
d) Consumer Electronics	329,178,379	336,845,971	(2.28)
e) Telecommunication	690,767,500	791,539,037	(12.73)
f) Communication/Radar	113,765,345	159,906,093	(28.85)
g) Control and Instrumentation	92,531,873	112,344,353	(17.64)
h) Medical/Industrial Instrumentation	52,386,916	45,793,732	14.40
i) Automotive Electronics	17,946,160	24,585,873	(27.01)
2 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials	5,814,454,720	11,191,519,158	(48.05)
3 Office and EDP Machines	3,684,428	6,137,991	(39.97)
4 Telecommunication Equipment and Electrical Machinery 2/	598,978,409	766,902,835	(21.90)
5 Industrial Machinery and Equipment	1,352,873,095	1,946,705,873	(30.50)
6 Transport Equipment	1,854,210,915	2,368,253,251	(21.71)
7 Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-Up Articles and Related Products 3/	474,244,548	686,257,208	(30.89)
8 Cereals and Cereal Preparations	1,738,105,448	2,413,774,645	(27.99)
9 Organic and Inorganic Chemical	973,366,926	1,103,729,765	(11.81)
10 Plastics in Primary and Non-Primary Forms	633,943,266	972,260,224	(34.80)
11 Iron and Steel	762,665,301	1,447,731,842	(47.32)
12 Dairy Products	361,224,321	600,757,471	(39.87)
13 Chemical Materials and Products, n.e.s.	470,214,695	500,492,170	(6.05)
14 Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products	609,944,067	569,515,964	7.10
15 Non-Ferrous Metal	362,081,156	531,776,208	(31.91)
16 Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	426,128,409	476,208,524	(10.52)
17 Feeding Stuff For Animals (Not Including Unmilled Cereals)	489,470,166	530,928,279	(7.81)
18 Paper and Paper Products	408,376,591	462,794,817	(11.76)
19 Professional, Scientific and Controlling Instruments; Photographic and Optical Goods, n.e.s.; Watches and Clocks	287,308,719	318,094,560	(9.68)
20 Power Generating and Specialized Machinery	291,891,957	245,683,973	18.81
21 Metal Products	360,740,325	368,858,281	(2.20)
22 Dyeing, Tanning and Coloring Materials	201,462,777	204,001,541	(1.24)
23 Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures	227,890,539	229,490,791	(0.70)
24 Fertilizers, Manufactured	269,985,582	515,382,917	(47.61)
25 Rubber Manufacture	119,711,015	118,905,146	0.68
26 Textiles Fiber & Their Waste	80,973,339	81,208,683	(0.29)
27 Metalliferous Ores and Metal Scrap	532,643,225	318,817,904	67.07
28 Others	3,000,392,998	3,378,678,401	(11.20)

1/ includes consigned and direct importation using the expanded coverage of electronic products

2/ includes telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment

3/ includes on consignment and not on consignment

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Table 3 Philippine Imports by Major Type of Goods
October and September 2009 and October 2008
(FOB in Thousand U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Group	2009				2008		Growth Rate	
	October ^p		September ^r		October		(%)	
	FOB Value	% Share	FOB Value	% Share	FOB Value	% Share	Monthly	Annual
Total Imports	3,808,276	100.00	3,669,908	100.00	4,577,741	100.00	3.77	(16.81)
Capital Goods	1,204,566	31.63	1,179,985	32.15	1,439,275	31.44	2.08	(16.31)
Power Generating & Specialized Machines	191,502	5.03	181,847	4.96	217,816	4.76	5.31	(12.08)
Office & EDP Machines	230,346	6.05	224,593	6.12	238,811	5.22	2.56	(3.54)
Telecommunication Eqpt. & Elect. Mach.	677,929	17.80	658,374	17.94	762,807	16.66	2.97	(11.13)
Land Transport Eqpt. excl. Passenger Cars & Motorized cycle	61,780	1.62	62,397	1.70	51,875	1.13	(0.99)	19.09
Aircraft, Ships and Boats	8,734	0.23	7,602	0.21	122,230	2.67	14.90	(92.85)
Prof. Sci. & Cont. Inst., Photographic Eqpt. & Optical Goods	34,275	0.90	45,172	1.23	45,737	1.00	(24.12)	(25.06)
Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods	1,516,222	39.81	1,355,829	36.94	1,704,499	37.23	11.83	(11.05)
Unprocessed Raw Materials	189,154	4.97	124,998	3.41	161,763	3.53	51.33	16.93
Wheat	57,768	1.52	38,434	1.05	44,568	0.97	50.30	29.62
Corn	3,493	0.09	1,449	0.04	2,316	0.05	140.99	50.80
Unmilled cereals excl. rice & corn	457	0.01	144	0.00	714	0.02	218.19	(35.98)
Crude materials, inedible	115,098	3.02	76,199	2.08	97,196	2.12	51.05	18.42
Pulp & waste paper	4,925	0.13	4,481	0.12	5,195	0.11	9.90	(5.20)
Cotton	2,759	0.07	2,584	0.07	1,487	0.03	6.77	85.55
Syn. Fibers	5,655	0.15	4,852	0.13	4,487	0.10	16.54	26.03
Metalliferous ores	73,556	1.93	32,377	0.88	35,079	0.77	127.19	109.69
Others	28,203	0.74	31,904	0.87	50,948	1.11	(11.60)	(44.64)
Tobacco, unmanufactured	12,338	0.32	8,771	0.24	16,969	0.37	40.66	(27.29)
Semi-Processed Raw Materials	1,327,069	34.85	1,230,831	33.54	1,542,736	33.70	7.82	(13.98)
Feeding stuffs for animals	52,742	1.38	59,297	1.62	58,746	1.28	(11.06)	(10.22)
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	12,499	0.33	11,500	0.31	13,795	0.30	8.69	(9.40)
Chemical	366,959	9.64	347,435	9.47	423,270	9.25	5.62	(13.30)
Chemical compounds	101,641	2.67	88,196	2.40	112,981	2.47	15.24	(10.04)
Medicinal & pharmaceutical chem.	52,935	1.39	61,462	1.67	59,003	1.29	(13.87)	(10.29)
Urea	6,286	0.17	15,181	0.41	10,722	0.23	(58.59)	(41.37)
Fertilizer excl. urea	22,178	0.58	10,816	0.29	31,062	0.68	105.04	(28.60)
Artificial resins	76,243	2.00	68,932	1.88	94,428	2.06	10.61	(19.26)
Others	107,676	2.83	102,848	2.80	115,074	2.51	4.69	(6.43)
Manufactured goods	330,850	8.69	299,624	8.16	382,072	8.35	10.42	(13.41)
Paper & paper products	48,749	1.28	45,433	1.24	50,653	1.11	7.30	(3.76)
Textile yarn, fabrics & made-up articles	38,820	1.02	41,156	1.12	56,577	1.24	(5.68)	(31.39)
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	22,862	0.60	25,799	0.70	27,769	0.61	(11.38)	(17.67)
Iron & steel	103,877	2.73	80,579	2.20	110,900	2.42	28.91	(6.33)
Non-ferrous metals	51,533	1.35	48,271	1.32	70,934	1.55	6.76	(27.35)
Metal products	44,587	1.17	35,467	0.97	39,335	0.86	25.72	13.35
Others	20,421	0.54	22,919	0.62	25,903	0.57	(10.90)	(21.16)
Embroideries	4,852	0.13	6,103	0.17	9,596	0.21	(20.51)	(49.44)
Mat/Acc for the mfr. of elect. eqpt.	559,168	14.68	506,871	13.81	655,256	14.31	10.32	(14.66)
Iron ore, not agglomerated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mineral Fuels, Lubricant & Related Materials	607,916	15.96	681,733	18.58	905,423	19.78	(10.83)	(32.86)
Coal, Coke	28,758	0.76	35,039	0.95	49,404	1.08	(17.92)	(41.79)
Petroleum crude	336,321	8.83	341,247	9.30	572,357	12.50	(1.44)	(41.24)
Others	242,837	6.38	305,447	8.32	283,663	6.20	(20.50)	(14.39)
Consumer Goods	413,789	10.87	410,742	11.19	474,622	10.37	0.74	(12.82)
Durable	220,702	5.80	232,729	6.34	229,600	5.02	(5.17)	(3.88)
Passenger cars & motorized cycle	125,233	3.29	151,867	4.14	131,519	2.87	(17.54)	(4.78)
Home appliances	21,625	0.57	19,828	0.54	27,585	0.60	9.06	(21.61)
Misc. manufactures	73,845	1.94	61,033	1.66	70,496	1.54	20.99	4.75
Non-Durable	193,087	5.07	178,013	4.85	245,022	5.35	8.47	(21.20)
Food & live animals chiefly for food	179,055	4.70	162,530	4.43	231,461	5.06	10.17	(22.64)
Dairy products	44,355	1.16	24,299	0.66	64,414	1.41	82.54	(31.14)
Fish & fish preparation	14,820	0.39	13,342	0.36	11,176	0.24	11.08	32.61
Rice	5,555	0.15	20,016	0.55	26,929	0.59	(72.25)	(79.37)
Fruits & vegetables	16,161	0.42	16,035	0.44	22,578	0.49	0.79	(28.42)
Others	98,164	2.58	88,839	2.42	106,365	2.32	10.50	(7.71)
Beverages & tobacco mfture.	7,825	0.21	7,337	0.20	6,211	0.14	6.64	25.98
Articles of apparel, access.	6,207	0.16	8,145	0.22	7,350	0.16	(23.80)	(15.55)
Special Transactions	65,783	1.73	41,620	1.13	53,922	1.18	58.06	22.00
Articles temporarily imported & exported	42,533	1.12	15,898	0.43	24,467	0.53	167.54	73.84
Others	23,250	0.61	25,722	0.70	29,455	0.64	(9.61)	(21.07)

Note: Components may not add up to total due to rounding.

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Table 3a Philippine Imports by Major Type Goods
Cumulative Value: January to October 2009 & 2008
(FOB Value in U.S. Dollars)

Commodity Description	2009 Jan-Oct ^P	2008 Jan-Oct ^r	Growth Rate
Total Imports	35,485,426,916	49,960,419,695	(28.97)
Capital Goods	10,441,409,792	13,735,713,721	(23.98)
Power Generating & Specialized Machines	1,680,038,673	2,218,556,308	(24.27)
Office & EDP Machines	1,862,062,484	2,487,313,406	(25.14)
Telecommunication Eqpt.& Elect. Mach.	5,716,967,584	7,341,381,062	(22.13)
Land Transport Eqpt. excl. Passenger Cars & Motorized cycle	550,733,083	562,977,357	(2.17)
Aircraft, Ships and Boats	252,844,324	696,362,794	(63.69)
Prof.Sci.& Cont. Inst., Photographic Eqpt. & Optical Goods	378,763,644	429,122,794	(11.74)
Raw Materials & Intermediate Goods	14,225,196,983	18,564,575,194	(23.37)
Unprocessed Raw Materials	1,850,089,992	1,561,457,193	18.48
Wheat	642,070,202	512,781,102	25.21
Corn	89,543,863	20,939,108	327.64
Unmilled cereals excl. rice & corn	5,757,620	10,008,835	(42.47)
Crude materials, inedible	961,240,537	849,379,503	13.17
Pulp & waste paper	40,052,731	51,679,680	(22.50)
Cotton	18,112,469	16,005,653	13.16
Syn. Fibers	56,649,507	58,124,878	(2.54)
Metalliferous ores	532,652,958	318,835,000	67.06
Others	313,772,872	404,734,292	(22.47)
Tobacco, unmanufactured	151,477,770	168,348,645	(10.02)
Semi-Processed Raw Materials	12,375,106,991	17,003,118,001	(27.22)
Feeding stuffs for animals	489,479,620	530,938,606	(7.81)
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	126,211,319	197,204,926	(36.00)
Chemical	3,527,789,163	4,200,289,047	(16.01)
Chemical compounds	974,091,095	1,104,243,646	(11.79)
Medicinal & pharmaceutical chem.	610,105,898	569,551,939	7.12
Urea	144,342,324	178,840,542	(19.29)
Fertilizer excl. urea	125,643,258	336,542,375	(62.67)
Artificial resins	634,299,382	972,771,661	(34.79)
Others	1,039,307,206	1,038,338,884	0.09
Manufactured goods	2,709,842,003	3,833,379,248	(29.31)
Paper & paper products	404,362,639	459,498,737	(12.00)
Textile yarn, fabrics & made-up articles	402,220,860	571,765,150	(29.65)
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	228,125,375	230,098,519	(0.86)
Iron & steel	762,665,301	1,447,731,842	(47.32)
Non-ferrous metals	362,112,138	532,200,633	(31.96)
Metal products	361,411,832	369,304,060	(2.14)
Others	188,943,858	222,780,307	(15.19)
Embroideries	78,864,406	121,533,991	(35.11)
Mat/Acc for the mfr. of elect. eqpt.	5,429,656,706	8,067,468,865	(32.70)
Iron ore, not agglomerated	13,263,774	52,303,318	(74.64)
Mineral Fuels, Lubricant & Related Materials	5,814,454,720	11,191,519,158	(48.05)
Coal, Coke	328,508,287	265,537,377	23.71
Petroleum crude	2,490,414,717	6,902,023,295	(63.92)
Others	2,995,531,716	4,023,958,486	(25.56)
Consumer Goods	4,549,148,493	5,821,723,433	(21.86)
Durable	1,929,412,539	2,043,766,830	(5.60)
Passenger cars & motorized cycle	1,059,694,601	1,125,096,880	(5.81)
Home appliances	229,658,975	235,347,330	(2.42)
Misc. manufactures	640,058,963	683,322,620	(6.33)
Non-Durable	2,619,735,954	3,777,956,603	(30.66)
Food & live animals chiefly for food	2,507,117,678	3,644,549,456	(31.21)
Dairy products	361,720,169	600,768,731	(39.79)
Fish & fish preparation	114,796,862	89,917,464	27.67
Rice	910,307,630	1,752,210,163	(48.05)
Fruits & vegetables	173,274,950	180,981,024	(4.26)
Others	947,018,067	1,020,672,074	(7.22)
Beverages & tobacco mfture.	43,550,292	54,173,001	(19.61)
Articles of apparel, access.	69,067,984	79,234,146	(12.83)
Special Transactions	455,216,928	646,888,189	(29.63)
Articles temporarily imported & exported	197,720,555	223,387,199	(11.49)
Others	257,496,373	423,500,990	(39.20)

Note: Components may not add up to total due to rounding.

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Table 4 Philippine Imports Performance by Country: October 2009 & 2008
 (F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

Country of Origin	2009				2008				Annual Growth Rate (%)	
	October ^p	% Share	Jan-Oct ^p	% Share	October	% Share	Jan-Oct	% Share	Current	Cummulative
	Total	3,808.28	100.00	35,485.43	100.00	4,577.74	100.00	49,960.42	100.00	(16.81)
Top 10 Countries Total	2,813.94	73.89	25,740.91	72.54	3,525.67	77.02	37,884.16	75.83	(20.19)	(32.05)
1 Japan 1/	506.73	13.31	4,454.32	12.55	603.54	13.18	5,726.50	11.46	(16.04)	(22.22)
2 United States Of America 2/	447.87	11.76	4,320.94	12.18	598.49	13.07	6,210.24	12.43	(25.17)	(30.42)
3 Singapore	349.40	9.17	3,091.55	8.71	407.74	8.91	5,322.02	10.65	(14.31)	(41.91)
4 Korea, Republic of	309.86	8.14	2,404.24	6.78	237.92	5.20	2,638.99	5.28	30.23	(8.90)
5 Taiwan	275.83	7.24	2,505.25	7.06	262.21	5.73	3,357.11	6.72	5.19	(25.37)
6 China, People's Republic of	262.43	6.89	3,136.29	8.84	372.98	8.15	3,636.80	7.28	(29.64)	(13.76)
7 Thailand	224.30	5.89	2,009.66	5.66	240.55	5.25	2,449.15	4.90	(6.75)	(17.94)
8 Malaysia 3/	164.69	4.32	1,444.91	4.07	210.17	4.59	2,075.69	4.15	(21.64)	(30.39)
9 Saudi Arabia	138.27	3.63	1,185.19	3.34	419.42	9.16	4,747.64	9.50	(67.03)	(75.04)
10 Hong Kong	134.56	3.53	1,188.57	3.35	172.65	3.77	1,720.00	3.44	(22.06)	(30.90)
11 Others	994.34	26.11	9,744.52	27.46	1,052.07	22.98	12,076.26	24.17	(5.49)	(19.31)

* Based on October 2009 ranking.

1/ includes Okinawa

2/ includes Alaska and Hawaii

3/ includes Sabah and Sarawak

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Note: Components may not add up to total due to rounding

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Table 4A Philippine Imports Performance by Selected Economic Bloc: October 2009 & 2008
 (F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

Country of Origin	2009				2008				Annual Growth Rate (%)	
	Oct ^P	% Share	Jan-Oct ^P	% Share	Oct	% Share	Jan-Oct	% Share	Current	Cummulative
Total	3,808.28	100.00	35,485.43	100.00	4,577.74	100.00	49,960.42	100.00	(16.81)	(28.97)
1 Eastern Asia ^{1/}	1,491.92	39.18	13,701.33	38.61	1,649.60	36.04	17,086.87	34.20	(9.56)	(19.81)
2 A S E A N ^{2/}	886.11	23.27	9,123.63	25.71	1,049.95	22.94	12,713.24	25.45	(15.60)	(28.24)
3 United States of America ^{3/}	447.87	11.76	4,320.94	12.18	598.49	13.07	6,210.24	12.43	(25.17)	(30.42)
4 European Union ^{4/}	271.56	7.13	2,726.19	7.68	374.33	8.18	3,865.29	7.74	(27.45)	(29.47)
5 Others	710.82	18.67	5,613.34	15.82	905.37	19.78	10,084.78	20.19	(21.49)	(44.34)

1/ includes China, Hong Kong, Japan, Macau, Mongolia, N. Korea, S. Korea, Taiwan

2/ includes Brunei Darusalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam

3/ includes Alaska & Hawaii

4/ includes Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Latvia, and UK Great Britain & N. Ireland

Note: Components may not add up to total due to rounding

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Table 5 Balance of Trade by Major Trading Partners: October 2009
(F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

Country	Total Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade
Total	7,478.20	3,808.28	3,669.93	(138.35)
1 United States Of America 1/	1,108.34	447.87	660.48	212.61
2 Japan 2/	1,105.65	506.73	598.92	92.18
3 Singapore	565.55	349.40	216.15	(133.25)
4 Netherlands	502.90	24.99	477.91	452.92
5 Korea, Republic of	502.38	309.86	192.52	(117.33)
6 China, People's Republic of	472.30	262.43	209.87	(52.55)
7 Hong Kong	403.75	134.56	269.19	134.63
8 Taiwan	372.55	275.83	96.72	(179.11)
9 Thailand	361.67	224.30	137.37	(86.93)
10 Germany	354.78	82.16	272.62	190.46
11 Malaysia 3/	281.37	164.69	116.68	(48.02)
12 Saudi Arabia	143.27	138.27	5.00	(133.28)
13 Indonesia	141.68	109.16	32.51	(76.65)
14 Australia	108.96	85.60	23.36	(62.24)

- 1/ includes Alaska and Hawaii
 2/ includes Okinawa
 3/ includes Sabah and Sarawak

Note: Components may not add up to total due to rounding

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Table 5A Balance of Trade by Selected Economic Bloc: October 2009
(F.O.B. Value in Million U.S. Dollars)

Country	Total Trade	Imports	Exports	Balance of Trade
Total	7,478.20	3,808.28	3,669.93	(138.35)
1 Eastern Asia	2,859.75	1,491.92	1,367.82	(124.10)
2 A S E A N	1,438.28	886.11	552.17	(333.94)
3 European Union	1,175.91	271.56	904.35	632.78
4 United States of America	1,108.34	447.87	660.48	212.61

Note: Components may not add up to total due to rounding