

WORLD TRADE BY COUNTRY
IMPORTS (1)
TOP 25 COUNTRIES
Value in millions of U.S. dollars

Country	System(2)	1979	1980	1981
1. United States (3,4)	G	222,228	256,984	273,352
2. Germany FR (5)	S	159,618	188,001	163,934
3. Japan	G	110,671	140,523	143,287
4. France	S	107,587	135,082	120,924
5. United Kingdom	G	102,969	119,925	101,991
6. Italy	S	77,906	99,639	91,022
7. USSR (6)	G	57,771	68,522	72,960
8. Canada (6)	G	53,685	59,227	66,010
9. Netherlands	S	67,312	76,618	65,921
10. Belgium-Luxembourg	S	60,917	71,874	62,464
11. Saudi Arabia	S	24,462	30,211	35,244
12. Spain	S	25,432	34,081	32,159
13. Switzerland	S	29,354	36,356	30,696
14. Sweden	G	28,736	33,540	28,824
15. Singapore (8)	G	17,644	23,589	27,608
16. South Korea (7)	S	20,339	22,292	26,131
17. Hong Kong	G	17,137	22,413	24,680
18. Mexico	G	12,590	19,416	24,167
19. Brazil	S	19,804	25,001	24,007
20. Australia (6)	G	16,539	20,337	23,768
21. China	G	15,688	19,447	21,566
22. Austria	S	20,254	24,449	21,048
23. South Africa	G	11,774	18,553	21,006
24. German DR (6)	G	16,214	n.a.	20,181
25. Denmark	G	18,679	19,742	17,874

1. C.I.F. (cost, insurance and freight). Value at the frontier of the importing country.
2. Systems of trade-imports: under the general system (G), both goods entering directly for domestic consumption and goods entered into customs storage are recorded, at the time of their first arrival, as imports; under the special trade system (S), goods are recorded as imports when declared for domestic consumption whether at time of entry or on withdrawal from customs storage.
3. Excluding shipments of merchandise between the United States and its possessions (Guam, American Samoa, U.S. Virgin Islands. etc.). The value of shipments to and from U.S. Virgin Islands, amounted to, in millions of U.S. dollars to : 1979-571, from: 1979-2879.