## 1.2 Major Imports

Table 2 shows the eight items which make up the bulk of Malaysian food and beverage imports.

TABLE 2: MAJOR FOOD IMPORTS INTO MALAYSIA 1986-1989

(M\$'000 CIF)

SITC	1986		1987		1988		1989*	
Code	Total	<b>%</b>	Total	<b>x</b>	Total	×	Total	<b>%</b>
011	121617	5.7	129549	6.0	109546	4.0	66455	4.3
022	208889	9.8	241557	11.0	399990	14.7	267450	17.4
034	130381	6.1	153587	7.1	164878	6.1	99861	6.5
048	145686	6.8	143370	6.6	141810	5.2	77845	5.1
054	226516	10.6	216407	9.8	273170	10.0	134554	8.7
057	193432	9.1	201283	9.2	210964	7.8	114947	7.5
061	355735	16.7	343896	15.8	452513	16.6	227926	14.8
098	169509	7.9	169891	7.8	255666	9.4	152472	9.9
Others	582245	27.3	577505	26.5	711206	26.1	399081	25.9
TOTAL	2134310	100	2177045	100	2719743	100	1540591	100

## \* January - June

Source: Table 1

Percentages may not add due to rounding

From the data presented above it can be seen that group 022 -milk and cream - is the category that is growing fastest in both relative and absolute terms. The other growth market in relative terms is group 098 - edible products and preparations not elsewhere specified - where the share of food imports has increased from 7.9 per cent in 1986 to 9.9 per cent for the first half of 1989.

## 1.3 Source Countries for Malaysian Food Imports

Table 3 below presents the major import sources for Malaysian food and beverage imports.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2.</sup> Excluding live animals; unmilled grains and cereals; and feeding stuff for animals.