

TABLE 8
COMPOSITION OF AUSTRALIAN IMPORTS (a)

	Value			Proportion of Total		
	1976-77	1977-78	1978-79P	1976-77	1977-78	1978-79P
	\$M	\$M	\$M	%	%	%
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs	109.9	120.2	125.9	1.1	1.1	0.9
Vegetables and fruit	72.0	89.3	88.0	0.7	0.8	0.6
Coffee	88.2	92.3	80.9	0.8	0.8	0.6
Cocoa	44.7	65.4	64.3	0.4	0.6	0.5
Alcoholic beverages	52.0	59.0	71.0	0.5	0.5	0.5
Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	47.0	62.7	59.7	0.5	0.6	0.4
Crude rubber	44.4	47.4	58.8	0.4	0.4	0.4
Wood, simply worked & railway sleepers of wood	141.5	123.5	153.8	1.4	1.1	1.1
Pulp and waste paper	66.9	57.6	71.0	0.6	0.5	0.5
Textile fibres and wastes	64.8	68.6	74.0	0.6	0.6	0.5
Fertilizers, crude	42.5	55.6	83.5	0.4	0.5	0.6
Petroleum oil, crude	394.5	473.5	399.6	3.8	4.2	2.9
Petroleum products, refined	584.5	664.9	715.9	5.6	6.0	5.2
Fixed vegetable oils and fats	48.2	56.7	55.9	0.5	0.5	0.4
Organic chemicals	245.4	262.8	325.5	2.4	2.4	2.4
Inorganic chemicals	110.7	125.9	139.0	1.1	1.1	1.0
Dyeing, tanning & coloring materials	54.0	54.8	69.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	101.7	111.5	130.8	1.0	1.0	1.0
Essential oils and perfume materials	39.7	51.5	68.4	0.4	0.5	0.5
Artificial resins and plastic materials	215.2	230.3	280.9	2.1	2.1	2.0
Tires and tubes	93.0	92.3	93.7	0.9	0.8	0.7
Wood and cork manufactures	59.2	52.2	64.2	0.6	0.5	0.5
Paper and paperboard	258.0	254.8	312.9	2.5	2.3	2.3
Textile yarn and thread	119.4	129.2	166.1	1.1	1.2	1.2
Woven fabrics, cotton & manmade fibres	269.6	283.4	363.1	2.6	2.5	2.6
Floor coverings	78.2	77.8	82.8	0.8	0.7	0.6
Nonmetallic mineral manufactures	223.0	242.5	272.3	2.1	2.2	2.0
Iron and steel	216.6	236.1	274.2	2.1	2.1	2.0
Internal combustion piston engines & parts	191.7	199.9	236.3	1.8	1.8	1.7
Rotating electric plants & parts	76.8	82.7	123.3	0.7	0.7	0.9
Machinery specialized for industry	616.3	632.2	826.4	5.9	5.7	6.0
Metalworking machinery	90.0	93.2	138.9	0.9	0.8	1.0
General industrial machinery & equipment	460.6	546.9	710.5	4.4	4.9	5.2
Office machines & automatic data processors	302.7	378.2	489.2	2.9	3.4	3.6
Telecomm. & sound recording apparatus	427.0	315.1	382.9	4.1	2.8	2.8
Electric machinery, apparatus & appliances	520.9	532.9	656.7	5.0	4.8	4.8
Passenger motorcars	446.0	424.0	527.3	4.3	3.8	3.8
Motor vehicles other than passenger motorcars	307.9	303.1	385.9	3.0	2.7	2.8
Parts & accessories n.e.s. for road motor vehicles	285.5	271.8	408.3	2.7	2.4	3.0
Aircraft & associated equipment & parts	139.4	142.0	442.1	1.3	1.3	3.2
Ships, boats (inc. hovercraft) & floating structures	17.2	86.7	221.1	0.2	0.8	1.6
Furniture	53.6	59.3	70.7	0.5	0.5	0.5
Clothing and accessories	242.6	267.7	280.9	2.3	2.4	2.0
Footwear	74.7	85.8	94.0	0.7	0.8	0.7
Professional, scientific & controlling instruments	165.2	197.7	250.3	1.6	1.8	1.8
Photographic apparatus & equipment	196.9	210.6	265.5	1.9	1.9	1.9
Printed matter	158.7	186.2	227.1	1.5	1.7	1.7
Perambulators, toys, games & sporting goods	116.7	119.4	147.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Musical instruments & parts	67.9	62.6	74.4	0.7	0.6	0.5
Other items	1,567.8	1,726.8	2,052.4	15.1	15.5	14.9
TOTAL IMPORTS	10,410.6	11,166.6	13,756.7	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Groupings may exclude certain data which are classified confidential.

* 1979 - The latest year for which figures were available when the material for this report was assembled.