

**Table 9**  
**CANADIAN IMPORTS FROM ASIA AND PACIFIC**

(thousands of dollars)

	Imports 1985	Per Cent	Imports 1986	Per Cent	Imports 1987	Per Cent
<b>Total, Japan</b>	6 114 770	51.71	7 626 298	52.44	7 551 616	49.17
Hong Kong	886 820	7.50	1 040 967	7.16	1 138 071	7.41
Kampuchea/Laos	204	0.00	35	0.00	30	0.00
People R. China	403 475	3.41	566 594	3.90	770 825	5.02
Korea, North	480	0.00	614	0.00	1 621	0.01
Korea, South	1 606 988	13.59	1 749 446	12.03	1 844 027	12.01
Portuguese Asia	12 717	0.11	18 836	0.13	19 372	0.137
Taiwan	1 286 167	10.88	1 744 665	12.00	2 022 873	13.17
Vietnam	2 165	0.02	6 671	0.05	7 709	0.05
<b>Sub-total, East Asia</b>	<b>4 199 016</b>	<b>35.51</b>	<b>5 127 828</b>	<b>35.26</b>	<b>5 804 528</b>	<b>37.79</b>
Bangladesh	16 404	0.14	18 492	0.13	23 024	0.15
Sri Lanka	33 015	0.28	35 824	0.25	34 203	0.22
India	168 201	1.42	165 405	1.14	170 770	1.11
Pakistan	29 987	0.25	146 858	1.01	61 554	0.40
Afghanistan	181	0.00	45	0.00	161	0.00
Burma	782	0.01	1 556	0.01	717	0.00
Nepal	524	0.00	813	0.01	846	0.01
<b>Sub-total, South Asia</b>	<b>249 094</b>	<b>2.11</b>	<b>368 993</b>	<b>2.54</b>	<b>291 275</b>	<b>1.90</b>
Malaysia	146 400	1.24	150 204	1.03	186 598	1.21
Singapore	210 491	1.78	210 030	1.44	262 379	1.71
Indonesia	81 837	0.69	114 189	0.79	167 651	1.09
Philippines	109 080	0.92	109 411	0.75	107 064	0.70
Thailand	108 681	0.92	150 267	1.03	200 747	1.31
<b>Sub-total, Southeast Asia</b>	<b>656 489</b>	<b>5.55</b>	<b>73 101</b>	<b>5.05</b>	<b>924 439</b>	<b>6.02</b>
Papua N.G.	51 142	0.43	563	0.00	11 687	0.08
Australia	386 621	3.27	504 668	3.47	564 572	3.68
Fiji	6 583	0.06	4 809	0.03	6 482	0.04
New Zealand	160 333	1.36	174 808	1.20	200 940	1.31
Br. Oceania NES	0	0.00	45	0.00	502	0.00
French Oceania	16	0.00	837	0.01	455	0.00
U.S. Oceania	107	0.00	341	0.00	1 778	0.01
<b>Sub-total, South Pacific</b>	<b>604 802</b>	<b>5.11</b>	<b>686 071</b>	<b>4.72</b>	<b>786 416</b>	<b>5.12</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11 824 171</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>14 543 291</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>15 358 274</b>	<b>100.00</b>

delegations and maintained the pattern of high-level visits and close consultations that have developed between the two countries in recent years.

In February 1988 Transport Minister John Crosbie led a successful trade delegation to India and Nepal. Canadian companies pursued several large contracts in India, particularly in the energy and natural resource sectors. A number of trade missions, in both directions, served to maintain momentum in the steadily developing commercial relations between Canada and India; delegations from the transport and telecommunications sectors figured prominently. Pakistan has also demonstrated significant market potential for Canadian companies.

Canada followed closely the course of the United Nations-sponsored talks aimed at settling the war in

Afghanistan. Canada welcomed the accord (signed on April 15, 1988) that provided for the withdrawal of Soviet troops, but regretted that it did not include an agreement to terminate arms shipments to Afghanistan, nor provide for a cease-fire. By January 1988, Canada had contributed \$140 million in food aid and other assistance to the five million Afghans made refugees since the 1979 invasion. This assistance was routed largely through the UNHCR, the World Food Program and the ICRC.

On July 29, 1987, the governments of Sri Lanka and India signed a peace accord aimed at stemming the violence between the Sinhalese and Tamil communities of Sri Lanka. A peacekeeping force from India was sent to Sri Lanka to supervise the implementation of the peace accord, which included disarming the Tamil militants. Canada