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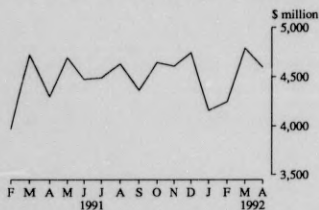
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FOREIGN TRADE, AUSTRALIA: MERCHANDISE EXPORTS APRIL 1992

MAIN FEATURES

Merchandise exports for April 1992 were \$4,601m, a decrease of \$193m (4%) compared with March 1992 and up \$299m (7%) on April of the previous year.

MONTHLY MERCHANDISE EXPORTS



The main contributors to the decrease in exports recorded for April 1992, compared with one month earlier, were *transport equipment (excl. road vehicles)*, down \$46m (47%) to \$52m; *non-monetary gold*, down \$42m (11%) to \$345m; and *non-metallic mineral manufactures, nes*, down \$41m (61%) to \$26m. The largest increases were recorded in *metalliferous ores and metal scrap*, up \$72m (12%) to \$649m; *textile fibres*

and their wastes, up \$46m (12%) to \$428m; and *coal, coke and briquettes*, up \$35m (6%) to \$581m.

Australia's major exports for April 1992 and their principal markets were:

- *coal* (\$556m): Japan (41%), India (8%) and the United Kingdom (7%);
- *non-monetary gold* (\$345m): Singapore (49%), Japan (16%) and Hong Kong (15%);
- *wool* (\$323m): Italy (16%), Japan (15%) and China (11%).

For the ten months ended April 1992 exports were \$45,302m, up \$2,099m (5%) on the ten months to April 1991. The most significant contributors to the rise were *textile fibres and their wastes*, up \$863m (29%) to \$3,794m; *coal, coke and briquettes*, up \$467m (9%) to \$5,703m; and *meat and meat preparations*, up \$214m (8%) to \$2,809m. The commodities recording the biggest falls were *petroleum, petroleum products and related materials*, down \$475m (17%) to \$2,345m; and *sugars, sugar preparations and honey*, down \$216m (24%) to \$690m.

NOTES

These statistics are compiled from information submitted by exporters or their agents to the Australian Customs Service.

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CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

Two changes are introduced in this issue :

- The timing basis for the compilation of merchandise exports statistics has been changed. These statistics are now compiled on a **shipping date basis** rather than a **statistical month basis**. This change is described in more detail in the article which follows.
- The application of some confidentiality embargoes has changed. With the July 1991 issue of this publication, a SITC division 28 (metalliferous ores) commodity sink code was adopted, for periods from July 1991, to

provide for the more complete presentation of metalliferous ores statistics. Some confidential metalliferous ores items previously included in a combined sink code (SITC 98) for all confidential items were reallocated to SITC division 28. These reallocated items are identified in the Appendix (see paragraph 4 of the Appendix). With this issue the reallocation to the SITC division 28 commodity sink code has been extended back to July 1990, improving the comparability of year-to-date commodity statistics shown in Table 4 of this issue.

CHANGED TIMING BASIS FOR COMPILATION OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTS STATISTICS

Introduction

Commencing with this issue, the timing basis for compilation of merchandise exports statistics has changed. The change involves compiling exports statistics on the basis of goods shipped in any period rather than on the basis of the documentation of goods shipped in that or earlier periods. This change was foreshadowed in the March 1992 issue of this publication.

The shipping date basis of compilation has been applied to broad aggregate exports series from July 1981, while the more detailed series have been recompiled back to January 1988. Therefore, all statistics for March 1992 and earlier periods shown in this publication have been revised since the previous issue. Table A in this article provides the revisions (in value and percentage terms) to the monthly merchandise exports series from July 1981 to March 1992 while Table B provides the revised series. Table C provides the revisions, at the division (2 digit) level of the SITC, for the most recent four financial years and for the nine months ended March 1992. The revisions to divisions 28 and 98 for 1990-91 reflect both shipping date recompilement and the extended application of the 2 digit commodity sink code (described in *Changes in this issue* above). Table D provides the revised annual series at the division (2 digit) level of the SITC for all years from 1981-82 to 1990-91.

Time of recording merchandise trade

The concept of merchandise trade in foreign trade statistics requires merchandise goods to be recorded as they cross the national boundary, that is, as they add to (imports) or subtract from (exports) the stock of material resources available to the country. Merchandise exports should therefore be measured on the basis of **goods shipped** from Australia during the reference period under review.

However, Australia, like most countries, derives its merchandise exports statistics from data collected as a by-product of the administrative processes conducted by the national customs service. Until now, information has not been available on a sufficiently timely basis to enable exports statistics to be compiled on the basis of when the goods are shipped. As explained in the article *Recording of Merchandise Exports and the Impact of the EXIT System*, which was included in the February 1991 issue of this publication, the nature of the documentation flows

from exporters and importers to the Australian Customs Service (ACS) and then to the ABS, and the time constraints facing the ABS in the publication of its statistics, resulted in the delineation of a **statistical month** for the recording of both merchandise exports and imports in foreign trade statistics.

For merchandise imports the statistical month captures most of the goods arriving in any calendar month. However, for merchandise exports, the nature of the document processing described in the February 1991 article meant that historically only about half of any month's export shipments were recorded in that statistical month.

The estimates for merchandise exports compiled primarily on a statistical month basis were not a good approximation of the period to period changes in exports compiled on a shipping date basis. Many factors influenced the composition of the statistical month exports statistics and account for the differences in results from the two bases of compilation. Two major factors were, first, the provisions that were adopted by ACS for reporting exports on a weekly or monthly return or on entries, and second, the timeliness with which those returns or entries had to be passed to ACS and ABS (in turn dependent on the port from which the exports were shipped). Both of these factors were discussed in the article in the February 1991 issue of this publication. Changing export volumes reported under the different arrangements, and the incidence of particular shipments falling either side of the weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual boundaries all impacted on the closeness with which statistical month estimates approximate shipping date statistics.

Over the period from July 1981 to December 1988, the average monthly difference, without regard to sign, between the statistical month estimates and those compiled on a shipping date basis is 6.2 per cent. Differences in individual months (see Table A) vary from +20.6 per cent to -19.4 per cent, with 19 of the 90 months showing differences of 10 per cent or more. Annual revisions are much less marked, averaging less than 1 per cent and lying in the range of +1.2 per cent to -1.5 per cent.

In December 1988, ACS commenced the progressive implementation of EXIT which changed the way in which

export documentation is lodged (as described in the earlier article). To maintain as far as practicable continuity in exports statistics pending full and timely implementation of EXIT processing, exports statistics have continued until now to be compiled on a statistical month basis. This was achieved by allocating electronic lodgements of export documentation for existing exporters according to the return or entry basis of reporting used prior to EXIT. Lodgements by new exporters were treated as entry lodgements and processed in the month of shipment. Largely reflecting the increasing proportion of exports being recorded on the "entry" basis, the average monthly difference, without regard to sign, for the period since December 1988 falls to 4.0 per cent, and ranges from +17.8 per cent to -8.3 per cent. Annual revisions average less than 0.5 per cent (see Table A).

With full implementation of the first phase of EXIT, and improvements in EXIT recording and processing procedures, timely exports statistics can now be compiled on a shipping date basis. As well as improving the foreign trade statistics, the change in compilation basis is also expected to improve the relationship between the time of recording of exports and the time at which change of ownership occurs, providing for a somewhat better match of exports with imports and financing and stocks measures in the related series in the balance of payments and national accounts.

Impact of the changed compilation basis

Tables A to D give an indication of the impact of the changed compilation basis on merchandise exports series.

While not apparent in the statistics presented here, the recompiled series for total merchandise exports not only provides a better accord with the conceptual requirements for merchandise exports statistics but the revised series,

when compiled on a balance of payments basis, shows a clearer seasonal pattern and is less affected by irregular influences than the previously published monthly series.

An examination of the new seasonally adjusted balance of payments series for total merchandise exports with that previously published also reveals some different seasonal patterns that may be of interest to users of the statistics presented in this publication. These effects, and the impact of the changed compilation basis on balance of payments statistics, is discussed in articles included in the March quarter 1992 issue of *Balance of Payments, Australia* (5302.0) and the April 1992 issue of *Balance of Payments, Australia* (5301.0).

A further impact of the recompilation process that may affect some users tracking very detailed exports series or particular shipments relates to the breaks in series continuity. By pushing the breaks in the broader commodity aggregates back to July 1981, the impact of the break is expected to be small. However, for users interested in summing broad commodity series over time, perhaps in supply/utilisation or similar analyses, Table E provides a summary of the data that had previously been included in July 1981 or later months but which are now not included in the statistics for this period. These data represent shipments which left Australia prior to July 1981 but which, under the statistical month basis of compilation, were not recorded until July 1981 or later. The recompilation of data from July 1981 onto a shipment date basis means that these particular shipments are excluded from the recompiled series.

For more information about the changed basis of compilation, or for more information about more detailed series on the new basis please contact Jan Gatenby on (06) 252 5411.

TABLE A. REVISIONS TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED ANNUAL STATISTICS OF TOTAL MERCHANDISE EXPORTS

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Year
Value (\$ million)													
1981-82	-25	-49	73	-19	-20	152	-34	-26	68	-91	230	-45	214
1982-83	-46	-52	148	160	-200	320	-351	13	73	254	-67	-73	159
1983-84	-191	-94	98	57	-76	242	-218	-4	122	-6	242	-28	144
1984-85	-22	115	-322	111	-159	299	-28	39	490	-185	187	-167	358
1985-86	165	-395	-291	300	-167	383	-405	-46	74	168	59	-127	-480
1986-87	120	218	-101	357	-181	-36	-147	-141	170	70	74	-280	123
1987-88	149	-43	-14	233	384	-123	-93	-55	296	-342	141	-304	229
1988-89	251	-113	-11	165	14	134	-269	-296	613	-229	183	36	478
1989-90	-62	115	-48	5	24	20	-273	-173	561	-343	-39	32	-181
1990-91	116	-84	10	116	-99	141	-289	-246	413	-113	18	-99	-116
1991-92	32	-14	-269	255	-81	31	-241	-358	44	..	..	..	..
Per cent													
1981-82	-1.6	-2.9	4.8	-1.2	-1.3	10.5	-2.1	-1.6	3.9	-5.0	12.5	-2.4	1.1
1982-83	-3.4	-3.0	9.0	9.0	-10.1	19.1	-18.8	0.8	4.2	16.1	-3.3	-3.8	0.7
1983-84	-9.6	-4.9	5.5	2.9	-3.7	12.2	-10.5	-1.2	6.1	-0.3	11.5	-1.2	0.6
1984-85	-0.9	5.0	-12.4	4.9	-6.5	14.9	-1.3	1.7	20.6	-4.4	6.3	-5.6	1.2
1985-86	6.0	-12.7	-10.4	11.6	-5.8	14.7	-19.4	-1.8	2.8	6.9	2.2	-4.8	-1.5
1986-87	4.6	8.1	-3.3	12.0	-6.1	-1.1	-5.2	-4.9	5.6	2.4	2.3	-8.3	0.3
1987-88	5.0	-1.4	-0.5	7.1	11.5	-3.2	-2.6	-1.5	8.2	-9.5	4.1	-8.8	0.7
1988-89	7.9	-3.2	-0.3	4.7	0.4	3.6	-7.6	-8.3	17.8	-5.7	4.6	0.9	1.1
1989-90	-1.6	2.9	-1.2	0.1	0.6	0.5	-6.9	-4.2	14.1	-7.8	-0.9	0.8	-0.4
1990-91	2.8	-1.9	0.2	2.6	-2.2	3.2	-6.7	5.9	9.6	-2.6	0.4	-2.2	-0.2
1991-92	0.7	-0.3	-5.8	5.8	-1.7	1.1	-5.5	-7.8	0.9	..	..	..	..

TABLE B. MONTHLY STATISTICS OF TOTAL MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, SHIPPING DATE BASIS

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Year
\$ million													
1981-82	1,511	1,670	1,605	1,553	1,504	1,605	1,551	1,639	1,817	1,741	2,076	1,814	20,086
1982-83	1,904	1,686	1,792	1,933	1,788	1,995	1,519	1,563	1,812	1,833	1,943	1,845	21,613
1983-84	1,791	1,819	1,872	2,009	1,965	2,220	1,867	1,925	2,108	1,941	2,340	2,300	24,157
1984-85	2,371	2,402	2,267	2,372	2,296	2,307	2,179	2,318	2,863	2,718	3,146	2,827	30,066
1985-86	2,898	2,719	2,498	2,888	2,698	2,987	2,513	2,564	2,684	2,586	2,776	2,502	32,313
1986-87	2,702	2,906	2,964	3,336	2,804	3,281	2,689	2,737	3,202	2,989	3,225	3,094	35,929
1987-88	3,124	3,124	3,070	3,536	3,735	3,754	3,420	3,602	3,902	3,262	3,612	3,166	41,307
1988-89	3,435	3,421	3,438	3,642	3,641	3,829	3,253	3,253	4,052	3,777	4,188	4,078	44,007
1989-90	3,885	4,099	4,011	4,152	4,304	3,953	3,684	3,944	4,539	4,047	4,313	4,147	49,078
1990-91	4,270	4,239	4,133	4,582	4,390	4,604	3,996	3,969	4,719	4,302	4,696	4,475	52,374
1991-92	4,491	4,634	4,366	4,649	4,612	4,746	4,161	4,249	4,794	..	..	..	..

TABLE C. REVISIONS TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED MERCHANDISE EXPORTS STATISTICS BY COMMODITY (\$ million)

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC)	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	Nine months ended March 1992
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS					
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	5	-5	-6	-6	2
01 Meat and meat preparations	3	23	20	-39	1
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	13	28	-24	—	-11
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	3	16	-8	-15	-1
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	13	80	-119	-16	53
05 Vegetables and fruit	-13	8	7	-12	11
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	-22	14	-17	9	-2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	1	3	-2	-1	-1
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals)	3	11	-8	-6	10
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	1	3	3	-6	-1
Total Section 0	7	181	-154	-92	61
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO					
11 Beverages	6	-2	—	2	—
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	—	1	-1	—	1
Total Section 1	6	-1	-1	2	1
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS					
21 Hides, skins and furskins	-4	-3	—	-18	-4
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	1	—	-1	2	-1
23 Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed)	—	—	—	—	—
24 Cork and wood	-1	6	2	-14	-13
25 Pulp and waste paper	1	-1	—	-2	—
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	-7	13	-109	76	-65
27 Crude: fertilisers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones)	-4	-2	-1	-5	-2
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	29	107	39	(a)496	-83
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, nes	-3	2	4	-3	-4
Total Section 2	12	122	-66	(a)532	-172
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS					
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	17	67	23	37	-94
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	8	4	-13	—	9
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	-3	-3	-1	10	-11
Total Section 3	22	68	9	47	-96
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES					
41 Animal oils and fats	1	-2	-4	4	-3
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	-1	—	—	—	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, nes	—	-1	1	-1	—
Total Section 4	—	-3	-3	3	-3
5 CHEMICAL AND RELATED PRODUCTS, NES					
51 Organic chemicals	3	-6	3	-8	-1
52 Inorganic chemicals	—	—	7	-1	-3
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	-1	7	3	-13	—
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	5	2	4	—	-5
55 Essential oils and resins and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	3	-1	3	-4	-4
56 Fertilisers (excl. crude)	—	1	-1	3	-3
57 Plastics in primary forms	6	3	-7	—	-1
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	2	—	2	-3	-1
59 Chemical materials and products, nes	1	1	-2	-6	-3
Total Section 5	19	7	12	-32	-21

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE C. REVISIONS TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED MERCHANDISE EXPORTS
STATISTICS BY COMMODITY (\$ million) — *continued*

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC)	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	Nine months ended March 1992
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL					
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, nes	-1	1	-1	-2	—
62 Rubber manufactures, nes	5	-2	-2	—	-1
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excl. furniture)	—	—	1	-1	-1
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	6	1	—	-1	-5
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, nes, and related products	2	1	2	-3	-6
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, nes	1	18	-9	3	-16
67 Iron and steel	17	-6	19	-16	9
68 Non-ferrous metals	93	-1	-41	5	-104
69 Manufactures of metals, nes	11	-7	1	8	-12
Total Section 6	134	5	-30	-7	-136
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT					
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	1	15	9	-14	-12
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	2	-1	—	5	-19
73 Metal working machinery	—	-1	6	-6	-2
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, nes and machine parts, nes	-1	5	6	-5	-17
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	-2	18	-5	12	-44
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	2	3	1	2	-13
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (incl. non-elec. counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)	1	5	-1	8	-23
78 Road vehicles (incl. air-cushion vehicles)	-2	15	19	2	-33
79 Transport equipment (excl. road vehicles)	14	1	16	22	-51
Total Section 7	15	60	51	26	-214
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES					
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, nes	—	1	-1	—	-1
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	—	-1	3	-5	—
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	1	—	1	—	—
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	3	-2	2	-2	-3
85 Footwear	—	—	-1	—	—
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, nes	—	2	2	-2	-11
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, nes; watches and clocks	1	-3	-1	-3	7
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, nes	4	5	13	-18	-15
Total Section 8	9	2	18	-30	-23
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE IN THE SITC					
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	2	-4	—	1	-9
94 Animals, live, nes	1	—	—	—	—
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	-37	-9	8	14	-18
96 Coin (excl. gold coin), not being legal tender	-1	—	—	—	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates)	1	-5	33	-28	75
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities nes	39	55	-58	(a)-552	-46
Total Section 9	5	37	-17	(a)-565	2
Total Exports	229	478	-181	-116	-601

(a) This revision largely reflects the extended application of the 2 digit commodity sink codes. See 'Changes in this issue' on page 2 for details.

TABLE D. MERCHANDISE EXPORTS STATISTICS BY COMMODITY, SHIPPING DATE BASIS (\$ million)

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC)	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS					
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	759	231	252	256	273
01 Meat and meat preparations	1,416	1,635	1,360	1,412	1,702
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	315	326	365	423	445
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	312	382	374	413	448
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	2,495	1,840	2,861	4,001	3,848
05 Vegetables and fruit	210	235	223	268	375
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	794	595	665	625	652
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	33	35	39	39	61
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals)	47	64	104	123	148
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	13	18	22	27	30
Total Section 0(a)	6,394	5,361	6,265	7,587	8,022
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO					
11 Beverages	40	52	59	57	69
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	11	14	15	14	15
Total Section 1	51	66	74	71	84
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS					
21 Hides, skins and furskins,	219	234	269	323	397
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	13	10	14	39	46
23 Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed)	2	3	3	2	4
24 Cork and wood	188	188	223	218	282
25 Pulp and waste paper	1	3	5	11	15
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	1,900	1,972	2,034	2,711	3,173
27 Crude fertilisers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones)	83	107	117	145	152
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(a)	3,514	3,860	3,997	4,638	4,725
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, nes	54	52	54	60	72
Total Section 2(a)	5,974	6,429	6,716	8,147	8,866
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS					
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	2,367	3,050	3,478	4,592	5,204
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	612	1,140	1,551	2,314	2,218
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	321	392	389	433	418
Total Section 3	3,300	4,582	5,418	7,339	7,840
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES					
41 Animal oils and fats	82	78	92	123	99
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	7	2	4	12	12
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, nes	6	7	7	9	12
Total Section 4	95	87	103	144	123
5 CHEMICAL AND RELATED PRODUCTS, NES					
51 Organic chemicals(a)	42	51	42	48	54
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)	44	41	41	55	59
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(a)	19	21	21	25	31
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	90	109	118	125	148
55 Essential oils and resins and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	31	34	39	43	56
56 Fertilisers (excl. crude)	4	4	9	4	2
57 Plastics in primary forms	8	8	8	7	8
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	92	116	129	146	127
59 Chemical materials and products, nes	75	85	87	101	102
Total Section 5(a)	405	469	494	554	587

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TABLE D. MERCHANDISE EXPORTS STATISTICS BY COMMODITY, SHIPPING DATE BASIS (\$ million) — continued

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC)	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL					
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, nes	37	45	53	70	93
62 Rubber manufactures, nes	10	11	12	14	20
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excl. furniture)	7	8	6	7	8
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)	51	48	54	69	75
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, nes, and related products	144	155	144	167	221
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, nes	115	110	152	125	164
67 Iron and steel	433	479	396	514	553
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)	1,035	1,291	1,520	1,979	1,869
69 Manufactures of metals, nes	198	188	195	185	188
Total Section 6(a)	2,030	2,335	2,532	3,130	3,191
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT					
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	101	133	183	193	234
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	168	179	176	180	246
73 Metal working machinery	24	27	32	29	27
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, nes and machine parts, nes	156	162	173	169	183
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	71	91	120	164	221
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	40	71	53	59	67
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (incl. non-elec. counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)	111	116	149	161	179
78 Road vehicles (incl. air-cushion vehicles)	199	230	271	299	264
79 Transport equipment (excl. road vehicles)	233	138	179	241	205
Total Section 7	1,103	1,147	1,336	1,495	1,626
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES					
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, nes	6	7	9	10	10
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	14	14	18	16	23
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	1	2	3	3	3
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	13	17	17	18	23
85 Footwear	4	4	5	5	7
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, nes	110	138	144	150	161
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, nes; watches and clocks	106	136	147	186	197
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, nes	153	169	165	215	233
Total Section 8	407	487	508	603	657
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE IN THE SITC					
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	194	237	106	110	104
94 Animals, live, nes	1	1	1	1	1
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	12	13	3	4	4
96 Coin (excl. gold coin), not being legal tender	--	1	--	--	--
97 Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates)	94	219	381	594	781
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities nes(b)	26	179	220	287	427
Total Section 9(b)	327	650	711	996	1,317
Total Exports	20,086	21,613	24,157	30,066	32,313

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE D. MERCHANDISE EXPORTS STATISTICS BY COMMODITY, SHIPPING DATE BASIS (\$ million) — continued

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC)	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS					
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	317	305	297	193	160
01 Meat and meat preparations	2,250	2,562	2,275	2,942	3,178
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	464	530	596	709	720
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	603	735	611	674	720
04 Cereals and cereal preparations(a)	2,758	2,381	2,900	3,401	2,528
05 Vegetables and fruit	565	587	537	536	628
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	697	700	935	1,103	948
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	62	64	68	68	88
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals)	215	248	278	257	256
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	51	78	98	101	113
Total Section 0(a)	7,982	8,190	8,595	9,984	9,339
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO					
11 Beverages	142	232	226	225	289
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	20	23	21	17	21
Total Section 1	162	255	247	242	310
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS					
21 Hides, skins and furskins	560	683	495	575	412
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	40	31	70	50	48
23 Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed)	6	7	16	8	9
24 Cork and wood	359	394	430	396	437
25 Pulp and waste paper	28	33	36	25	28
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	3,892	5,687	6,274	4,739	3,745
27 Crude fertilisers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones)(a)	106	170	232	222	263
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(b)	4,853	5,312	6,456	7,375	8,296
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, nes	98	116	126	148	159
Total Section 2(b)	9,942	12,433	14,135	13,538	13,397
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS					
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	5,361	4,866	4,805	5,933	6,481
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	1,684	1,950	1,468	1,996	3,220
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	232	242	61	489	1,005
Total Section 3	7,277	7,058	6,434	8,418	10,706
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES					
41 Animal oils and fats	98	117	103	106	118
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)	25	12	11	2	4
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, nes	11	8	10	11	16
Total Section 4(a)	134	137	124	119	138
5 CHEMICAL AND RELATED PRODUCTS, NES					
51 Organic chemicals(a)	59	99	92	89	113
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)	69	79	91	164	201
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials(a)	37	82	148	262	186
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	168	210	235	270	320
55 Essential oils and resins and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	59	79	94	89	123
56 Fertilisers (excl. crude)	5	7	8	10	19
57 Plastics in primary forms	5	79	151	134	161
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	139	103	60	66	77
59 Chemical materials and products, nes	147	177	196	177	175
Total Section 5(a)	688	915	1,075	1,261	1,375

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE D. MERCHANDISE EXPORTS STATISTICS BY COMMODITY, SHIPPING DATE BASIS (\$ million) — continued

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC)	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL					
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, nes	120	170	148	167	180
62 Rubber manufactures, nes	44	71	64	65	65
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excl. furniture)(a)	9	15	11	23	36
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)	105	103	124	162	188
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, nes, and related products	253	220	153	179	210
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, nes(a)	179	258	356	459	507
67 Iron and steel	577	515	492	767	981
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)	2,356	3,346	4,176	3,882	3,757
69 Manufactures of metals, nes	245	287	321	369	477
Total Section 6(a)	3,888	4,985	5,845	6,073	6,401
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT					
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	293	352	326	428	543
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	305	313	340	423	517
73 Metal working machinery	28	41	37	69	82
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, nes and machine parts, nes	244	288	341	384	475
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	404	438	417	564	719
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	91	119	166	238	320
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (incl. non-elec. counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)(a)	267	288	293	363	470
78 Road vehicles (incl. air-cushion vehicles)	444	523	420	595	847
79 Transport equipment (excl. road vehicles)	585	387	440	619	640
Total Section 7(a)	2,661	2,749	2,780	3,683	4,613
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES					
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, nes	15	22	28	30	43
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	35	40	36	44	34
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	4	5	5	6	5
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	40	61	62	114	129
85 Footwear	9	12	16	24	24
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, nes	173	216	199	255	276
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, nes; watches and clocks	257	279	260	231	255
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, nes	331	412	444	676	553
Total Section 8	864	1,047	1,050	1,380	1,319
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE IN THE SITC					
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	288	222	147	185	174
94 Animals, live, nes	1	1	..	..	..
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	11	86	234	283	230
96 Coin (excl. gold coin), not being legal tender	2	1	1	2	1
97 Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates)	1,366	2,446	2,491	2,872	3,672
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities nes(c)	663	782	849	1,038	699
Total Section 9(c)	2,331	3,538	3,722	4,380	4,776
Total Exports	35,929	41,307	44,007	49,078	52,374

(a) Excludes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. These are included in Division 98. (b) Excludes some commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See the Appendix for details. (c) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction, except some metalliferous ores items which are included in Division 28 from July 1990. See the Appendix for details.

TABLE E. EXPORTS EXCLUDED FROM THE RECOMPILED SERIES (a)

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC Rev2)	\$ million
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	11
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	94
01 Meat and meat preparations	19
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	30
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	137
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	23
05 Vegetables and fruit	10
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	2
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals)	2
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	2
Total Section 0	330
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	3
11 Beverages	—
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	—
Total Section 1	3
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS	16
21 Hides, skins and furskins	3
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	—
23 Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed)	12
24 Cork and wood	—
25 Pulp and waste paper	85
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	8
27 Crude fertilisers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones)	229
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	4
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, nes	—
Total Section 2	357
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS	114
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	86
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	—
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	—
Total Section 3	200
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES	5
41 Animal oils and fats	1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	—
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, nes	—
Total Section 4	6
5 CHEMICAL AND RELATED PRODUCTS, NES	5
51 Organic chemicals	3
52 Inorganic chemicals	1
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	8
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	3
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	—
56 Fertilisers (excl. crude)	—
57 Plastics in primary forms	3
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	5
59 Chemical materials and products, nes	—
Total Section 5	28
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	2
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, nes	1
62 Rubber manufactures, nes	1
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excl. furniture)	3
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)	9
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, nes, and related products	7
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, nes	49
67 Iron and steel	57
68 Non-ferrous metals	11
69 Manufactures of metals, nes	—
Total Section 6	140

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE E. EXPORTS EXCLUDED FROM THE RECOMPILED SERIES (a) — *continued*

<i>Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC Rev2)</i>	<i>\$ million</i>
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	2
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	17
73 Metal working machinery	1
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, nes and machine parts, nes	11
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	5
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	2
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (incl. non-elec. counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)	10
78 Road vehicles (incl. air-cushion vehicles)	8
79 Transport equipment (excl. road vehicles)	7
Total Section 7	63
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, nes	—
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	1
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	—
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1
85 Footwear	—
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, nes	6
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, nes; watches and clocks	6
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, nes	8
Total Section 8	22
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE IN THE SITC	
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	5
94 Animals, live, nes	—
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	—
96 Coin (excl. gold coin), not being legal tender	—
97 Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates)	17
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities nes	53
Total Section 9	75
Total Exports	1,224

(a) Shipments which left Australia prior to July 1981 but which under the statistical month basis of compilation, were not recorded until July 1981 or later.

TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF MERCHANDISE EXPORTS

Period	\$m	% change on	
		Previous period	Corresponding month of previous year
1988-89	44,007	7	..
1989-90	49,078	12	..
1990-91	52,374	7	..
1990-91			
February	3,969	-1	1
March	4,719	19	4
April	4,302	-9	6
May	4,696	9	9
June	4,475	-5	8
1991-92			
July	4,491	—	5
August	4,634	3	9
September	4,366	-6	6
October	4,649	6	1
November	4,612	-1	5
December	4,746	3	3
January	4,161	-12	4
February	4,249	2	7
March	4,794	13	2
April	4,601	-4	7

PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTION OF SELECTED MAJOR COMMODITIES TO TOTAL EXPORTS

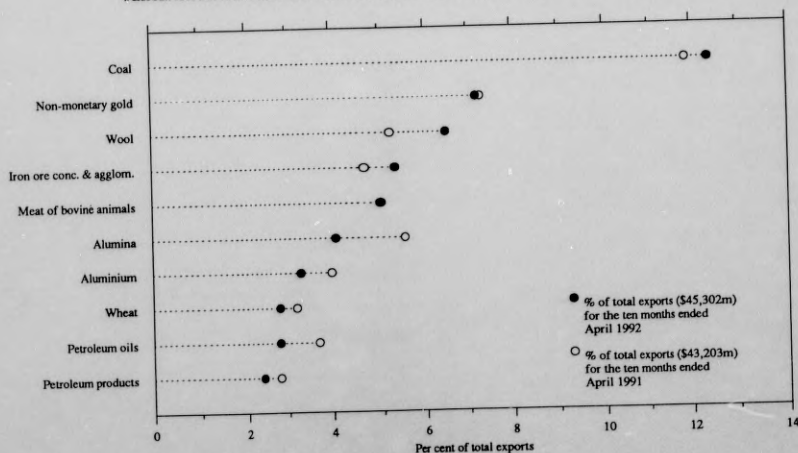


TABLE 2. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES

Commodity Description and SITC code	April 1992		Ten months ended April 1992	
	\$'000	% of total exports	\$'000	% of total exports
Aircraft and associated equipment; spacecraft (including satellites) and spacecraft launch vehicles; and parts thereof (792)	42,399	0.9	400,556	0.9
Alumina (aluminium oxide) (285.20)	190,482	4.1	1,878,886	4.1
Aluminium (684)	160,856	3.5	1,478,195	3.3
Barley, unmilled (043)	30,757	0.7	256,492	0.6
Cars and other road vehicles (incl. air-cushion vehicles) (78)	71,467	1.6	624,209	1.4
Cheese and curd (024)	17,768	0.4	179,617	0.4
Coal, whether or not pulverised but not agglomerated (321)	566,326	12.3	5,625,024	12.4
Copper ores and concentrates (283.10)	18,212	0.4	130,493	0.3
Copper and copper alloys, unwrought (excl. master alloys) (682.11,12,14)	36,187	0.8	451,660	1.0
Cotton (other than linters), not carded or combed (263.10)	90,473	2.0	686,391	1.5
Crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates (except canned or bottled) (036)	69,713	1.5	509,525	1.1
Fruit and nuts, fresh, dried or preserved and fruit preparations (incl. fruit juices) (057-059)	39,539	0.9	361,279	0.8
Gas, natural and manufactured (34)	58,703	1.3	829,654	1.8
Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates) (971)	345,216	7.5	3,268,914	7.2
Hides and skins, bovine and equine, raw (211.11-13,20)	16,249	0.4	174,674	0.4
Iron and steel (67)	102,609	2.2	953,718	2.1
Iron ore concentrates and agglomerates (excl. roasted iron pyrites) (281.50,60)	212,391	4.6	2,404,869	5.3
Lead and lead alloys, unwrought (685.11,12)	24,821	0.5	304,331	0.7
Machinery specialised for particular industries (72)	44,485	1.0	435,499	1.0
Meat of bovine animals, fresh, chilled or frozen (011.11-22)	252,760	5.5	2,272,063	5.0
Meat of sheep and goats, fresh, chilled or frozen (012.11-13)	36,224	0.8	347,560	0.8
Milk and cream and milk products other than butter or cheese (022)	53,859	1.2	378,333	0.8
Nickel and nickel alloys, unwrought (683.11,12)	18,970	0.4	221,708	0.5
Nickel oxide sinters (284.22)	14,631	0.3	237,767	0.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines (75)	65,311	1.4	676,877	1.5
Ores and concentrates of molybdenum, niobium, titanium etc (287.81-85)(a)	22,853	0.5	269,525	0.6
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, crude (333)	120,750	2.6	1,274,040	2.8
Petroleum products (334,335)	78,861	1.7	1,071,130	2.4
Photographic and cinematographic supplies (882)	16,453	0.4	156,549	0.3
Plastics in primary and non-primary form (57,58)	23,267	0.5	228,978	0.5
Power generating machinery and equipment (71)	61,148	1.3	498,928	1.1
Rice (042)	11,180	0.2	196,941	0.4
Sheep and goats, live (001.21,22)	5,579	0.1	78,309	0.2
Skins, sheep and lamb, with wool on, raw (211.60)	9,870	0.2	92,271	0.2
Sorghum, unmilled (045.30)	6,195	0.1	16,876	—
Sugar, beet or cane, raw, in solid form (061.11,12)	18,933	0.4	624,630	1.4
Uranium and thorium ores and concentrates (286.10,20)	20,540	0.4	216,456	0.5
Wheat (incl. spelt) and meslin, unmilled (041)	173,732	3.8	1,287,419	2.8
Wood, in chips or particles (246.11,15)	33,901	0.7	355,241	0.8
Wool, greasy (incl. fleece-washed wool) (268.11,19)	241,830	5.3	2,211,232	4.9
Wool, other, not carded or combed (268.21,29)	81,643	1.8	719,322	1.6
Zinc and zinc alloys, unwrought (686.11,12)	34,771	0.8	317,446	0.7
Zinc ores and concentrates (287.50)	75,796	1.6	512,153	1.1
Total major commodities (a)	3,617,709	78.6	35,215,740	77.7
Total Exports(b)	4,600,701	100.0	45,301,620	100.0

(a) Excludes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See the Appendix for details. (b) Includes all value export entries to the value of \$10 million for March 1992 and \$50 million for April 1992 submitted via the EXIST system which cannot yet be allocated to commodity classification codes. These shipments will be appropriately classified as more details become available.

TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$'000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
AIRCRAFT AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT; SPACECRAFT (INCLUDING SATELLITES) AND SPACECRAFT LAUNCH VEHICLES; AND PARTS THEREOF (792)						
China	..	838	..	8,548	..	8,770
France	..	723	..	11,136	..	13,004
Germany	..	504	..	1,799	..	15,125
Iran	..	2,581	..	..	..	6,606
Japan	..	5,339	..	10,934	..	22,664
Malaysia	..	254	..	1,750	..	8,161
New Zealand	..	2,422	..	24,573	..	20,920
Papua New Guinea	..	1,037	..	10,926	..	13,362
Singapore	..	1,043	..	4,945	..	8,912
United Kingdom	..	2,851	..	52,917	..	49,900
United States of America	..	21,161	..	160,177	..	193,151
Other countries	..	3,646	..	42,438	..	39,981
Total	..	42,399	..	330,141	..	400,556
ALUMINA (ALUMINIUM OXIDE) (285.20)						
No Country Details(a)	851,693	190,482	7,468,615	2,364,115	7,615,855	1,878,886
Total	851,693	190,482	7,468,615	2,364,115	7,615,855	1,878,886
ALUMINIUM (684)						
Hong Kong	2,916	8,399	15,476	43,862	17,713	45,554
Indonesia	3,242	5,745	27,752	65,502	30,257	57,211
Japan	35,711	61,247	353,348	737,612	398,578	666,277
Korea, Republic of	13,398	23,735	140,553	299,850	131,983	226,925
Malaysia	2,130	3,790	26,646	62,778	21,095	38,394
New Zealand	1,535	4,363	7,731	29,988	11,156	34,575
Taiwan	13,403	24,488	116,831	260,233	117,014	210,193
Thailand	9,710	16,902	67,741	152,207	61,719	108,949
Other countries	5,163	12,187	38,470	88,829	41,308	90,119
Total	87,209	160,856	794,548	1,740,861	830,823	1,478,195
BARLEY, UNMILLED(043)						
Brazil	25,500	4,114	—	—	62,220	9,622
China	..	..	..	..	..	..
Japan	44,937	7,198	677,401	106,787	384,792	63,352
Korea, Republic of	20,000	3,569	314,818	45,188	449,563	67,848
Kuwait	34,100	4,218	38,883	6,072	60,500	11,027
Saudi Arabia	30,681	3,875	—	..	97,810	12,166
South Africa	17,250	2,879	71,600	8,267	92,473	11,380
Taiwan	..	..	..	..	47,250	8,093
United Arab Emirates	33,995	4,540	184,285	29,130	190,834	30,424
Other countries	1,940	365	134,253	17,179	147,371	19,066
Total	208,402	30,757	2,015,277	296,088	1,691,282	256,492
CARS, AND OTHER ROAD VEHICLES (INCL. AIR- CUSHION VEHICLES) (78)						
France	..	4,155	..	18,698	..	29,157
Indonesia	..	1,120	..	9,719	..	8,804
Japan	..	5,978	..	65,363	..	77,486
New Zealand	..	25,575	..	154,210	..	176,719
Papua New Guinea	..	1,060	..	15,789	..	16,071
Singapore	..	727	..	14,289	..	15,765
United Kingdom	..	1,366	..	12,789	..	9,842
United States of America	..	25,385	..	324,617	..	232,011
Other countries	..	6,101	..	58,511	..	58,354
Total	..	71,467	..	673,985	..	624,209

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — *continued*

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$'000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
CHEESE AND CURD (024)						
Hong Kong	183	785	1,460	5,774	1,887	7,452
Indonesia	95	272	1,516	3,397	1,719	4,659
Japan	2,565	7,083	21,587	56,990	28,675	75,058
Kuwait	81	535	198	1,073	897	5,338
Mauritius	106	480	606	2,511	738	3,359
Mexico	111	274	1,068	2,819	872	2,288
Netherlands	—	—	781	2,325	860	2,225
Philippines	450	990	3,626	7,242	3,391	7,535
Saudi Arabia	473	2,521	8,586	39,801	5,201	28,121
Singapore	133	565	883	3,762	1,170	4,983
Taiwan	115	419	619	2,143	778	2,602
United Arab Emirates	61	325	1,200	4,621	1,174	5,947
United Kingdom	144	816	659	3,125	704	3,836
United States of America	515	1,385	3,312	8,992	3,859	9,904
Other countries	280	1,317	4,099	14,860	3,804	16,310
Total	5,311	17,768	50,198	159,437	55,730	179,617
COAL, WHETHER OR NOT PULVERISED BUT NOT AGGLOMERATED (321)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	243,538	14,534	713,112	43,291	1,554,825	88,388
Brazil	167,838	9,517	1,210,393	69,256	1,793,916	102,465
France	481,214	24,387	2,659,617	145,906	4,269,885	212,859
Hong Kong	408,486	18,984	2,847,998	127,816	3,235,939	148,749
India	717,427	45,933	43,401	3,070	1,858,853	119,369
Italy	227,269	12,718	737,547	45,756	1,608,394	92,831
Japan	4,067,369	232,766	47,739,807	2,702,811	49,798,735	2,793,778
Korea, Republic of	716,985	39,518	8,540,394	478,227	9,568,249	531,163
Netherlands	303,956	15,046	5,235,256	258,272	3,893,502	193,272
Spain	128,845	8,583	725,342	40,980	1,119,902	65,171
Sweden	136,932	8,347	401,644	24,460	444,081	26,792
Taiwan	709,340	37,381	6,052,802	324,856	5,241,562	273,140
Turkey	89,921	5,549	1,135,626	72,765	1,548,891	100,769
United Kingdom	788,237	41,433	3,978,361	235,218	4,012,561	224,038
Other countries	953,356	51,630	5,926,532	314,214	7,691,099	399,440
No Country Details(a)	—	—	4,254,593	269,100	3,972,461	252,800
Total	10,140,713	566,326	92,202,425	5,155,996	101,612,855	5,625,024
COPPER ORES AND CONCENTRATES (283.10)						
Bulgaria	—	—	—	—	19,859	13,174
Canada	6,920	11,764	—	—	6,920	11,764
China	—	—	6,500	4,958	28,118	16,552
Japan	13,279	6,195	169,798	139,000	126,729	83,879
Other countries	211	252	9,805	13,546	3,875	5,123
Total	20,410	18,212	186,103	157,503	185,501	130,493
COPPER AND COPPER ALLOYS, UNWROUGHT (EXCL. MASTER ALLOYS) (682.11,12,14)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	—	—	6,307	20,980	5,084	15,085
China	759	2,046	503	1,661	3,449	10,075
France	1,403	4,050	8,017	27,523	12,718	37,965
Germany	914	2,636	29,798	100,134	19,272	57,026
Indonesia	1,497	4,424	1,629	5,250	8,162	25,053
Japan	2,022	5,740	36,792	122,631	42,058	124,138
Korea, Republic of	1,757	4,850	12,298	41,513	11,441	33,466
Taiwan	1,591	4,562	929	2,777	8,209	24,398
United Kingdom	1,652	4,768	31,744	107,871	31,174	91,820
Other countries	1,085	3,111	5,667	18,646	11,029	32,634
Total	12,680	36,187	133,684	448,987	152,597	451,660

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TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — *continued*

	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
			1991		1992	
Country	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
COTTON (OTHER THAN LINTERS), NOT CARDED OR COMBED (263.10)						
Indonesia	7,911	15,532	49,789	102,604	73,039	161,039
Italy	1,959	3,608	6,729	14,833	7,985	18,680
Japan	23,295	43,004	77,192	166,734	121,561	259,074
Korea, Republic of	6,137	11,672	35,649	75,596	48,562	109,034
Malaysia	1,226	2,153	4,115	8,575	5,544	11,475
Philippines	—	—	5,067	9,784	7,138	15,984
Taiwan	1,767	3,291	13,972	30,551	20,285	41,606
Thailand	2,225	4,188	13,101	27,982	11,408	23,908
Other countries	4,088	7,024	37,670	75,540	21,493	45,590
Total	48,608	90,473	243,284	512,199	317,014	686,391
CRUSTACEANS, MOLLUSCS AND AQUATIC INVERTEBRATES (EXCEPT CANNED OR BOTTLED) (036)						
Hong Kong	226	6,069	1,814	44,343	2,627	59,035
Japan	1,167	29,479	9,831	217,591	10,075	219,916
Taiwan	594	15,722	1,877	36,646	3,676	88,443
United States of America	294	13,670	1,567	59,127	2,583	96,793
Other countries	385	4,772	3,316	44,019	3,451	45,338
Total	2,666	69,713	18,405	401,727	22,412	509,525
FRUIT AND NUTS, FRESH, DRIED OR PRESERVED AND FRUIT PREPARATIONS (INCL. FRUIT JUICES) (057-059)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	..	1,200	..	1,153	..	4,736
Canada	..	2,485	..	35,303	..	39,032
Finland	..	433	..	1,356	..	1,695
France	..	1,733	..	4,067	..	5,535
Germany	..	1,848	..	33,129	..	39,476
Hong Kong	..	2,553	..	19,823	..	33,306
Indonesia	..	1,981	..	1,785	..	8,975
Japan	..	2,634	..	23,885	..	29,175
Malaysia	..	2,140	..	17,090	..	23,214
Netherlands	..	1,208	..	3,139	..	4,334
New Zealand	..	1,565	..	26,221	..	27,785
Norway	..	695	..	3,017	..	4,405
Singapore	..	6,449	..	39,530	..	52,801
Sweden	..	1,527	..	3,679	..	4,924
United Arab Emirates	..	429	..	1,622	..	2,924
United Kingdom	..	4,746	..	26,312	..	34,090
United States of America	..	2,176	..	29,927	..	15,032
Other countries	..	3,736	..	28,853	..	29,840
Total	..	39,539	..	299,893	..	361,279
GAS, NATURAL AND MANUFACTURED (34)(b)						
Japan	..	56,313	..	685,586	..	694,205
Other countries	..	1,877	..	157	..	2,129
No Country Details(a)	..	512	..	156,223	..	133,321
Total	..	58,703	..	841,966	..	829,654
GOLD, NON-MONETARY (EXCL. GOLD ORES AND CONCENTRATES) (971)						
Hong Kong	..	51,578	..	281,525	..	509,126
Japan	..	53,537	..	810,375	..	811,741
Korea, Republic of	..	20,278	..	246,056	..	210,960
Singapore	..	169,501	..	960,484	..	1,291,249
Switzerland	..	28,750	..	689,479	..	106,736
Taiwan	..	11,486	..	27,427	..	226,645
Other countries	..	10,087	..	153,956	..	112,457
Total	..	345,216	..	3,169,301	..	3,268,914

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TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — *continued*

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$'000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
HIDES AND SKINS, BOVINE AND EQUINE, RAW (211.11-13.20)						
China	..	819	..	801	..	12,450
Italy	..	3,779	..	48,608	..	23,663
Japan	..	3,938	..	100,651	..	42,277
Korea, Republic of	..	2,455	..	58,396	..	28,879
Taiwan	..	529	..	9,416	..	5,757
Other countries	..	695	..	19,029	..	12,342
No Country Details(a)	..	4,034	..	13,385	..	49,307
Total	..	16,249	..	250,286	..	174,674
IRON AND STEEL (67)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	9,375	5,592	11,898	14,435	39,749	24,329
Canada	110	91	15,906	8,559	47,741	17,783
Indonesia	818	811	146,426	58,001	116,088	41,524
Iran	55,363	14,665	234,998	76,702	164,389	46,831
Japan	12,924	4,999	85,912	38,292	109,960	41,395
Korea, Republic of	15,969	6,103	150,782	58,388	277,443	103,802
Malaysia	2,455	2,080	53,322	36,683	54,349	34,438
New Zealand	5,725	5,486	51,485	51,302	61,907	55,344
Papua New Guinea	2,527	2,122	21,344	21,955	21,489	21,601
Philippines	11,092	4,102	143,789	47,158	188,138	59,202
Saudi Arabia	6,466	3,729	6,428	4,820	36,765	24,318
Singapore	6,468	5,329	50,239	40,064	61,122	54,377
Taiwan	41,673	15,368	138,768	61,417	395,036	140,059
Thailand	6,474	2,500	48,656	22,013	52,036	24,243
United States of America	44,542	21,349	361,624	192,725	380,571	186,314
Other countries	7,909	6,710	98,933	62,747	88,036	64,844
No Country Details(a)	1,366	1,572	12,458	11,521	14,580	13,314
Total	231,255	102,609	1,632,967	806,782	2,109,398	953,718
IRON ORE CONCENTRATES AND AGGLOMERATES (EXCL. ROASTED IRON PYRITES) (281.50-60)						
China	792,629	22,206	5,271,566	141,706	12,353,347	345,829
Germany	593,619	16,447	3,465,082	97,342	3,804,730	108,686
Japan	3,981,389	102,665	45,661,832	1,118,969	43,692,337	1,179,653
Korea, Republic of	1,073,234	30,489	5,819,530	176,803	10,324,411	307,025
Taiwan	365,434	10,542	3,415,543	97,070	4,470,496	138,338
Other countries	623,676	17,664	6,993,258	173,294	8,692,864	223,234
No Country Details(a)	749,398	12,377	14,335,808	247,078	6,287,926	102,105
Total	8,179,379	212,391	84,902,618	2,052,263	89,626,112	2,404,869
LEAD AND LEAD ALLOYS, UNWROUGHT (685.11-12)						
Indonesia	1,029	1,706	3,259	3,440	13,860	21,088
Japan	1,200	1,663	12,111	11,324	14,638	18,792
Korea, Republic of	6,891	5,862	37,672	41,925	49,879	51,504
Malaysia	819	1,154	5,222	5,328	7,098	9,928
Taiwan	1,848	2,457	16,653	15,550	29,758	39,368
Thailand	1,155	1,618	5,789	5,339	13,508	19,189
United Kingdom	12,424	8,572	125,737	118,705	151,735	105,064
United States of America	—	—	6,992	7,102	8,000	9,476
Other countries	1,716	1,788	32,025	31,846	31,712	29,922
Total	27,082	24,821	245,459	240,558	320,188	304,331

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TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — continued

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$ '000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$ '000	Tonnes	\$ '000
MACHINERY SPECIALISED FOR PARTICULAR INDUSTRIES (72)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	..	1,174	..	2,812	..	5,649
Canada	..	1,049	..	5,093	..	6,235
Chile	..	812	..	1,795	..	1,481
China	..	227	..	9,270	..	6,795
Ethiopia	..	3,231	..	37	..	3,239
Fiji	..	1,527	..	9,013	..	12,035
France	..	240	..	3,642	..	9,010
Germany	..	1,562	..	9,070	..	13,745
Hong Kong	..	579	..	7,901	..	9,658
Hungary	..	792	..	44	..	814
India	..	132	..	800	..	9,301
Indonesia	..	3,075	..	28,312	..	25,387
Iran	..	37	..	5,614	..	5,059
Italy	..	269	..	2,473	..	4,709
Japan	..	970	..	16,588	..	15,482
Korea, Republic of	..	911	..	24,619	..	9,761
Malaysia	..	2,487	..	24,435	..	13,271
Netherlands	..	934	..	3,629	..	3,269
New Caledonia	..	338	..	2,814	..	3,415
New Zealand	..	4,750	..	52,413	..	52,404
Pakistan	..	787	..	677	..	1,356
Papua New Guinea	..	2,934	..	40,059	..	41,222
Philippines	..	375	..	2,890	..	4,552
Singapore	..	4,520	..	42,168	..	43,587
South Africa	..	203	..	7,659	..	4,743
Sweden	..	125	..	2,147	..	3,605
Taiwan	..	256	..	7,222	..	3,976
Thailand	..	304	..	10,240	..	19,734
U.S.S.R.	..	—	..	1,717	..	5,655
United Kingdom	..	1,800	..	17,209	..	14,676
United States of America	..	3,715	..	42,815	..	42,233
Other countries	..	4,338	..	38,161	..	39,091
No Country Details(a)	..	29	..	245	..	350
Total	..	44,485	..	423,584	..	435,499
MEAT OF BOVINE ANIMALS, FRESH, CHILLED OR FROZEN (011.11-22)						
Canada	4,821	13,717	23,815	61,492	35,169	105,414
Japan	17,895	87,191	167,470	786,136	154,853	748,376
Korea, Republic of	8,423	20,332	58,108	156,146	84,140	219,297
Taiwan	3,139	12,125	24,560	94,587	27,932	105,683
United States of America	35,046	102,271	316,200	891,895	314,748	944,316
Other countries	3,818	17,123	25,701	119,963	34,481	148,976
Total	73,143	252,760	615,854	2,110,220	651,323	2,272,063
MEAT OF SHEEP AND GOATS, FRESH, CHILLED OR FROZEN (012.11-13)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	119	757	258	1,948	686	4,224
Canada	280	842	3,896	7,947	2,630	7,342
France	93	508	607	2,310	1,181	3,815
Germany	282	1,160	2,218	10,828	2,774	11,617
Iran	1,675	1,877	10,921	12,185	8,871	9,862
Japan	3,249	7,603	24,006	59,692	29,950	65,988
Korea, Republic of	388	879	2,603	5,241	3,508	5,309
Kuwait	281	542	454	854	2,265	5,096
Malaysia	610	1,072	4,265	6,021	4,083	6,365
Mauritius	520	910	2,651	3,677	4,610	7,127
Mexico	638	729	1,752	1,609	4,332	4,966
Papua New Guinea	1,298	1,279	11,910	10,802	13,071	12,907
Saudi Arabia	1,586	3,286	15,501	27,131	20,932	38,832
Singapore	612	1,058	5,512	8,044	5,615	8,904
South Africa	374	703	995	1,260	2,290	3,626
Switzerland	126	903	1,343	9,998	1,232	8,400
Taiwan	596	771	10,654	15,355	12,874	20,235
U.S.S.R.	1,010	947	19,976	19,160	29,954	27,313
United Arab Emirates	662	1,435	10,601	20,766	8,505	17,542
United Kingdom	756	1,917	6,769	25,241	5,984	16,941
United States of America	2,097	3,637	13,125	24,590	20,008	34,122
Other countries	1,680	3,409	23,811	38,618	14,155	27,025
Total	18,932	36,224	173,829	313,277	199,510	347,560

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TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — *continued*

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$'000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
MILK AND CREAM AND MILK PRODUCTS OTHER THAN BUTTER OR CHEESE (022)						
Bangladesh	..	161	..	3,994	..	10,515
Hong Kong	..	3,014	..	24,490	..	24,003
Indonesia	..	1,118	..	13,033	..	13,076
Japan	..	16,478	..	58,376	..	78,792
Malaysia	..	5,460	..	35,601	..	53,482
Philippines	..	8,294	..	57,457	..	62,405
Singapore	..	3,191	..	47,593	..	38,426
Taiwan	..	5,964	..	33,751	..	42,182
Thailand	..	5,236	..	21,467	..	22,844
Other countries	..	4,943	..	41,967	..	32,609
Total	..	53,859	..	337,730	..	378,333
NICKEL AND NICKEL ALLOYS, UNWROUGHT (683.11,12)(b)						
No Country Details(a)	n.p.	18,970	n.p.	212,609	n.p.	221,708
Total	n.p.	18,970	n.p.	212,609	n.p.	221,708
NICKEL OXIDE SINTERS (284.22)						
Finland	141	4,139	1,972	18,372	2,131	32,356
Japan	162	1,329	1,789	18,798	2,090	17,940
Korea, Republic of	198	1,678	—	—	1,116	9,776
Netherlands	458	4,245	12,769	129,431	12,903	117,679
Taiwan	440	3,240	2,866	24,386	3,760	29,820
United States of America	—	—	2,835	28,451	2,939	26,578
Other countries	—	—	828	8,309	392	3,618
Total	1,399	14,631	23,059	227,748	25,332	237,767
OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING MACHINES (75)						
Germany	..	2,057	..	7,145	..	13,382
Hong Kong	..	2,531	..	23,521	..	38,551
Italy	..	78	..	1,169	..	10,763
Japan	..	10,751	..	39,143	..	103,499
Korea, Republic of	..	827	..	12,581	..	14,220
Malaysia	..	997	..	10,953	..	12,081
Netherlands	..	1,159	..	7,972	..	11,908
New Zealand	..	14,717	..	160,017	..	145,699
Papua New Guinea	..	1,786	..	14,129	..	20,842
Singapore	..	2,935	..	32,593	..	37,464
Taiwan	..	2,166	..	12,866	..	24,040
Thailand	..	1,784	..	11,077	..	13,697
United Kingdom	..	3,357	..	53,059	..	33,951
United States of America	..	15,059	..	132,850	..	139,527
Other countries	..	5,106	..	56,654	..	57,251
Total	..	65,311	..	575,731	..	676,877

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TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — *continued*

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$'000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
ORES AND CONCENTRATES OF MOLYBDENUM, NIOBIUM, TITANIUM ETC (287.81-85)(c)						
France	3,005	731	35,317	12,974	32,194	7,548
Germany	9	497	2,876	7,360	10,689	7,204
Italy	—	—	37,401	18,596	33,390	10,380
Japan	6,277	1,238	297,133	92,570	205,034	44,623
Korea, Republic of	660	217	41,797	14,897	18,193	7,614
Netherlands	4,460	1,322	51,196	35,636	60,905	20,215
Saudi Arabia	—	—	105	193	10,003	5,802
Spain	—	—	52,022	5,274	77,321	6,893
Taiwan	549	235	7,354	5,327	9,890	4,980
United Kingdom	—	—	219,646	34,996	161,804	27,363
United States of America	—	—	390,167	93,185	204,870	45,085
Other countries	1,864	815	169,915	40,995	137,824	24,870
No Country Details(a)	91,677	17,799	—	—	224,105	56,949
Total	108,502	22,853	1,304,930	362,002	1,186,223	269,525
PETROLEUM OILS AND OILS OBTAINED FROM BITUMINOUS MINERALS, CRUDE (333)						
Indonesia	..	16,958	..	203,242	..	234,401
Japan	..	35,301	..	368,174	..	541,661
Korea, Republic of	..	—	..	—	..	43,708
New Zealand	..	17,361	..	13,190	..	37,142
Singapore	..	16,726	..	403,272	..	165,927
Taiwan	..	16,216	..	24,860	..	16,216
Thailand	..	18,187	..	23,164	..	48,460
United States of America	..	—	..	425,583	..	111,411
Other countries	..	—	..	128,007	..	75,116
Total	..	120,750	..	1,589,493	..	1,274,040
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS (334,335)						
Fiji	..	11,345	..	62,042	..	61,855
French Polynesia	..	3,207	..	61,391	..	40,135
Hong Kong	..	2,005	..	22,243	..	20,154
India	..	82	..	55,994	..	31,030
New Caledonia	..	5,740	..	6,259	..	39,322
New Zealand	..	12,976	..	59,335	..	94,400
Papua New Guinea	..	9,373	..	95,380	..	108,663
Singapore	..	13,044	..	168,335	..	132,367
Taiwan	..	169	..	3,578	..	21,118
Thailand	..	807	..	25,596	..	19,761
Other countries	..	3,724	..	137,525	..	95,384
Ships' & Aircraft Stores	..	16,388	..	533,092	..	406,940
Total	..	78,861	..	1,230,771	..	1,071,130
PHOTOGRAPHIC AND CINEMATOGRAPHIC SUPPLIES (882)						
Hong Kong	..	2,892	..	23,131	..	22,777
Indonesia	..	167	..	5,580	..	5,493
Korea, Republic of	..	4,331	..	33,459	..	28,340
New Zealand	..	1,505	..	12,954	..	18,584
Philippines	..	600	..	4,067	..	5,114
Singapore	..	3,669	..	30,593	..	34,201
Taiwan	..	892	..	9,436	..	11,062
Thailand	..	1,736	..	10,511	..	17,954
Other countries	..	663	..	11,604	..	13,024
Total	..	16,453	..	141,335	..	156,549

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TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — *continued*

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$'000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
PLASTICS IN PRIMARY AND NON-PRIMARY FORM (57.58)						
Bangladesh	..	351	..	722	..	2,132
China	..	371	..	1,606	..	5,050
Hong Kong	..	3,361	..	20,848	..	31,717
India	..	365	..	6,418	..	5,111
Indonesia	..	2,046	..	17,008	..	21,026
Korea, Republic of	..	982	..	2,435	..	6,171
Malaysia	..	893	..	9,138	..	10,013
New Zealand	..	6,935	..	64,777	..	67,473
Papua New Guinea	..	644	..	7,013	..	7,647
Philippines	..	833	..	7,653	..	8,892
Singapore	..	1,437	..	12,003	..	15,167
Taiwan	..	1,625	..	8,376	..	12,477
Thailand	..	305	..	5,479	..	3,370
United Kingdom	..	565	..	5,405	..	5,495
United States of America	..	524	..	7,727	..	7,347
Other countries	..	2,030	..	17,183	..	19,892
No Country Details(a)	..	—	..	444	..	—
Total	..	23,267	..	194,235	..	228,978
POWER GENERATING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (71)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	..	19,801	..	671	..	56,615
Canada	..	4,417	..	25,264	..	34,072
Fiji	..	1,150	..	4,593	..	2,830
Germany	..	779	..	109,912	..	91,616
Hong Kong	..	1,215	..	2,069	..	8,971
Japan	..	5,632	..	41,447	..	53,677
Korea, Republic of	..	118	..	30,935	..	38,292
New Zealand	..	2,025	..	21,935	..	23,222
Papua New Guinea	..	2,112	..	20,087	..	21,034
Singapore	..	2,362	..	15,785	..	26,193
United Kingdom	..	11,468	..	81,787	..	59,068
United States of America	..	4,670	..	44,516	..	39,514
Other countries	..	5,399	..	36,512	..	43,826
Total	..	61,148	..	435,513	..	498,928
RICE (042)(c)						
Other countries	75	42	6,766	2,608	13,409	5,313
No Country Details(a)	20,665	11,138	362,240	150,774	400,512	191,628
Total	20,740	11,180	369,006	153,383	413,921	196,941
SHEEP AND GOATS, LIVE (001.21.22)						
Algeria	..	—	..	—	..	1,679
Bahrain	..	344	..	1,005	..	3,942
Jordan	..	—	..	2,132	..	5,097
Korea, Republic of	..	—	..	288	..	2,132
Kuwait	..	1,510	..	2,859	..	11,350
Oman	..	484	..	8,396	..	12,970
Qatar	..	1,195	..	2,631	..	9,106
United Arab Emirates	..	1,474	..	14,160	..	23,023
Yemen	..	463	..	—	..	2,644
Other countries	..	109	..	7,913	..	6,366
Total	..	5,579	..	39,384	..	78,309
SKINS, SHEEP AND LAMB, WITH WOOL ON, RAW (211.60)						
	No. of skins	No. of skins	No. of skins	No. of skins	No. of skins	No. of skins
China	140,790	549	73,074	211	1,080,715	3,691
France	962,139	5,917	12,817,217	49,394	9,622,190	46,521
Japan	21,285	202	565,370	5,523	516,286	5,405
Korea, Republic of	70,850	411	411,484	2,631	900,072	5,494
New Zealand	80,380	697	855,461	6,922	1,298,379	10,414
Spain	134,128	792	662,297	3,836	1,161,517	6,092
Turkey	118,310	694	1,136,193	3,670	907,436	3,929
Yugoslavia	3,246	46	1,256,408	3,722	851,090	2,359
Other countries	127,593	561	1,762,788	8,378	2,095,943	8,366
Total	1,658,721	9,870	19,540,292	84,284	18,433,628	92,271

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TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — continued

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$'000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
SORGHUM, UNMILLED (045.30)						
Japan	36,944	5,738	47,091	7,894	107,757	15,349
Other countries	1,626	456	17,746	3,310	6,288	1,527
Total	38,569	6,195	64,837	11,204	114,045	16,876
SUGAR, BEET OR CANE, RAW, IN SOLID FORM (061.11,12)						
Canada	20,000	n.p.	350,965	n.p.	449,555	n.p.
China	—	n.p.	179,624	n.p.	148,399	n.p.
Japan	18,000	n.p.	525,970	n.p.	424,000	n.p.
Korea, Republic of	16,100	n.p.	314,700	n.p.	320,900	n.p.
Malaysia	—	n.p.	494,641	n.p.	438,145	n.p.
New Zealand	—	n.p.	74,000	n.p.	93,718	n.p.
Singapore	18,000	n.p.	132,300	n.p.	127,500	n.p.
United States of America	—	n.p.	153,673	n.p.	110,872	n.p.
U.S.S.R.	—	n.p.	298,700	n.p.	—	n.p.
Other countries	41	n.p.	4,860	n.p.	484	n.p.
No Country Details(a)	..	18,933	..	855,015	..	624,630
Total	72,141	18,933	2,529,433	855,015	2,113,573	624,630
URANIUM AND THORIUM ORES AND CONCENTRATES (286.10,20)						
Other countries	200	60	7,020	5,732	6,508	1,957
No Country Details(a)	303	20,480	5,412	279,418	3,813	214,499
Total	503	20,540	12,432	285,150	10,321	216,456
WHEAT (INCL. SPELT) AND MESLIN, UNMILLED (041)(d)						
China	—	n.p.	1,004,447	136,126	190,527	14,550
Egypt	220,752	n.p.	1,107,964	151,517	1,546,270	84,529
Indonesia	66,174	n.p.	638,642	104,751	760,855	74,956
Iran	—	n.p.	1,573,260	216,072	561,075	66,326
Iraq	330,000	n.p.	33,757	6,432	835,000	42,350
Japan	65,922	n.p.	851,294	144,985	868,042	72,829
Korea, Republic of	23,257	n.p.	1,008,160	126,436	361,413	31,799
Malaysia	4,790	n.p.	556,872	88,597	348,425	30,786
Pakistan	—	n.p.	20,000	3,283	343,841	—
Yemen	—	n.p.	697,226	107,940	290,611	30,782
Other countries	109,479	n.p.	2,080,532	295,083	943,956	87,787
No Country Details(a)	..	173,732	..	—	..	750,726
Total	820,374	173,732	9,572,153	1,381,219	7,050,015	1,287,419
WOOD, IN CHIPS OR PARTICLES (246.11,15)						
Japan	206,296	30,136	2,219,027	325,191	2,286,310	345,363
Taiwan	24,414	3,735	41,427	6,695	65,441	9,772
Other countries	26	30	13	31	88	106
Total	230,736	33,901	2,260,468	331,918	2,351,839	355,241

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TABLE 3. EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY — *continued*

Country	April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	Tonnes	\$'000	1991		1992	
			Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
WOOL, GREASY (INCL FLEECE-WASHED WOOL) (268.11.19)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	2,438	11,448	6,398	36,913	22,575	97,663
China	5,338	26,132	10,203	39,639	56,326	211,192
France	6,347	24,385	44,893	173,035	60,778	213,863
Germany	4,820	22,731	33,890	162,462	42,665	182,418
India	1,362	5,626	14,681	50,985	14,649	49,034
Italy	8,989	39,606	67,700	385,319	76,728	330,794
Japan	4,918	26,433	56,649	346,139	65,164	334,810
Korea, Republic of	2,454	11,281	17,631	90,937	18,122	82,474
Macau	1,012	5,225	133	456	3,377	13,691
Malaysia	639	2,616	8,284	39,848	8,230	32,461
Netherlands	1,417	6,693	4,979	28,117	8,581	40,506
Taiwan	5,755	19,070	24,103	77,201	54,157	169,369
U.S.S.R.	—	—	4,425	27,921	29,853	127,359
United Kingdom	2,259	8,813	6,702	26,012	12,699	47,052
United States of America	1,457	7,438	20,475	108,139	24,171	101,321
Yugoslavia	968	4,852	2,096	10,980	3,391	16,121
Other countries	4,302	19,480	28,290	131,413	39,379	161,102
Total	54,476	241,830	351,531	1,735,517	540,844	2,211,232
WOOL, OTHER, NOT CARDED OR COMBED (268.21.29)						
China	1,247	8,785	7,979	43,797	14,367	82,063
Hong Kong	429	3,512	716	4,796	3,788	25,876
Italy	1,840	12,746	12,073	75,458	17,251	104,310
Japan	3,089	22,613	25,633	209,565	34,515	248,196
Korea, Republic of	1,765	13,346	9,262	65,706	14,480	102,476
Malaysia	371	2,585	1,462	12,482	3,088	25,148
Thailand	371	2,780	3,268	24,434	3,209	20,860
United Kingdom	523	4,155	1,871	11,679	3,016	21,397
United States of America	910	4,592	5,306	28,666	6,957	33,097
Other countries	905	6,529	6,609	38,840	8,824	55,899
Total	11,449	81,643	74,179	515,424	109,495	719,322
ZINC AND ZINC ALLOYS, UNWROUGHT (686.11.12)						
Bangladesh	943	1,598	6,067	11,025	6,922	10,694
Brazil	1,500	2,164	—	—	9,000	13,296
Hong Kong	2,020	3,735	12,112	23,159	20,254	34,379
Indonesia	2,682	4,653	25,364	45,595	33,651	53,100
Japan	2,060	3,293	14,677	25,329	16,402	24,695
Malaysia	1,912	3,381	8,012	15,292	17,214	28,101
New Zealand	1,565	2,695	5,131	9,602	9,768	16,289
Philippines	763	1,269	10,023	17,999	10,618	16,232
Singapore	709	1,227	7,443	15,147	8,434	13,846
Taiwan	2,964	4,995	28,521	53,400	25,747	40,212
United States of America	1,790	2,849	23,389	43,403	24,479	37,398
Other countries	1,728	2,914	24,785	43,219	18,830	29,204
Total	20,636	34,771	165,523	303,171	201,319	317,446
ZINC ORES AND CONCENTRATES (287.50)						
Belgium-Luxembourg	—	—	131,067	66,986	157,471	66,680
Germany	—	—	128,910	71,841	123,000	33,505
Italy	—	—	22,700	5,739	55,226	23,190
Japan	104,832	51,973	470,635	258,106	576,549	235,152
Korea, Republic of	34,102	18,207	200,820	109,090	276,914	122,899
Other countries	11,989	5,615	80,977	41,834	116,702	30,726
Total	150,923	75,796	1,035,110	553,596	1,305,861	512,153

(a) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Country Details' restriction. See the Appendix for details. (b) Subject to a 'No Quantity Details' restriction. See the Appendix for details. (c) Excludes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See the Appendix for details. (d) Due to confidentiality restrictions year to date values for 1991-92 for individual countries only reflect data from July to November. See the Appendix for details of the restrictions.

TABLE 4. EXPORTS BY COMMODITY
(\$'000)

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC Rev3)	February 1992	March 1992	April 1992	Ten months ended April	
				1991	1992
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS					
00 Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	19,110	24,273	16,017	132,007	171,072
01 Meat and meat preparations	277,740	294,419	309,618	2,594,829	2,809,292
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	76,220	65,434	78,420	585,085	652,570
03 Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	63,310	104,808	83,557	563,921	671,913
04 Cereals and cereal preparations (a)	226,116	280,540	246,025	2,053,775	1,982,356
05 Vegetables and fruit	74,089	77,535	62,396	508,475	584,968
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	47,385	34,998	24,528	905,346	689,541
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	8,216	7,743	7,317	74,467	81,719
08 Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals)	39,277	33,759	25,492	213,324	289,615
09 Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	12,720	10,344	12,880	92,881	116,854
Total Section 0(a)	844,182	933,856	866,250	7,724,109	8,049,899
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO					
11 Beverages	22,481	27,119	29,760	232,833	267,815
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	1,888	1,990	1,321	17,456	16,934
Total Section 1	24,369	29,109	31,081	250,289	284,749
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS					
21 Hides, skins and furskins, raw	28,243	31,781	30,460	353,058	292,130
22 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	4,129	5,291	4,552	38,094	50,030
23 Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed)	500	432	1,128	7,495	6,818
24 Cork and wood	18,652	38,182	37,951	347,339	379,682
25 Pulp and waste paper	357	553	778	22,480	5,805
26 Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	297,966	381,977	427,583	2,931,869	3,794,370
27 Crude fertilisers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones)	21,837	28,475	28,759	214,289	263,078
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap(b)	581,068	577,685	649,252	6,924,127	6,402,050
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, nes	13,500	16,306	14,698	130,730	146,834
Total Section 2(b)	966,252	1,080,682	1,195,163	10,969,480	11,340,797
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS					
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	564,334	546,096	581,262	5,235,406	5,702,579
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	167,622	237,126	199,611	2,820,263	2,345,170
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	97,141	81,982	58,703	841,966	829,654
Total Section 3	829,098	865,204	839,575	8,897,635	8,877,403
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES					
41 Animal oils and fats	12,007	9,758	11,300	96,193	92,976
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated(a)	743	122	63	2,322	2,264
43 Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, nes	2,194	1,303	2,138	13,290	13,995
Total Section 4(a)	14,944	11,182	13,500	111,804	109,235
5 CHEMICAL AND RELATED PRODUCTS, NES					
51 Organic chemicals	6,818	6,247	4,105	98,331	76,959
52 Inorganic chemicals(a)	14,461	15,569	11,018	156,135	190,971
53 Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	20,196	31,107	21,593	160,351	193,077
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products(a)	37,458	37,202	47,911	260,838	367,768
55 Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	10,794	12,796	12,017	99,362	106,472
56 Fertilisers (excl. crude)	1,409	2,567	498	11,507	11,853
57 Plastics in primary forms	16,071	16,370	16,163	130,805	159,621
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	6,595	7,978	7,104	63,430	69,337
59 Chemical materials and products, nes	20,327	21,206	16,155	146,225	184,602
Total Section 5(a)	134,129	151,041	136,565	1,126,983	1,360,680

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TABLE 4. EXPORTS BY COMMODITY — continued
(\$'000)

Commodity Description (Section and Division of the SITC Rev3)	February 1992	March 1992	April 1992	Ten months ended April	
				1991	1992
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL					
61 Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furskins, nes	18,320	20,077	19,374	150,212	174,873
62 Rubber manufactures, nes	5,787	6,758	6,237	53,635	60,416
63 Cork and wood manufactures (excl. furniture)(a)	5,648	5,630	6,422	26,414	51,296
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard(a)	14,023	15,778	20,362	150,340	169,401
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, nes, and related products	17,742	20,667	21,006	175,185	189,216
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, nes(a)	34,661	67,618	26,382	428,086	528,012
67 Iron and steel	111,476	121,605	102,609	806,782	953,718
68 Non-ferrous metals(a)	284,224	300,432	296,318	3,063,173	2,948,889
69 Manufactures of metals, nes	43,953	45,812	33,539	388,340	444,617
Total Section 6(a)	535,835	604,376	532,249	5,242,168	5,520,439
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT					
71 Power generating machinery and equipment	43,855	41,393	61,148	435,513	498,928
72 Machinery specialised for particular industries	34,576	50,377	44,485	423,584	435,499
73 Metal working machinery	6,563	6,778	5,806	66,945	71,633
74 General industrial machinery and equipment, nes and machine parts, nes	42,046	51,305	43,538	377,206	432,725
75 Office machines and automatic data processing machines	64,280	72,144	65,311	575,731	676,877
76 Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	26,079	17,864	12,332	275,846	218,273
77 Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (incl. non-elec. counterparts of electrical domestic equipment)	39,835	50,306	51,660	371,054	476,348
78 Road vehicles (incl. air-cushion vehicles)	46,787	77,671	71,467	673,985	624,209
79 Transport equipment (excl. road vehicles)	89,615	98,045	52,283	500,093	629,145
Total Section 7	393,637	465,883	408,030	3,699,957	4,063,637
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES					
81 Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, nes	2,176	2,442	3,827	35,376	30,977
82 Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	3,157	3,409	3,019	29,683	33,535
83 Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	404	436	596	4,187	3,897
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	13,224	15,744	12,270	110,251	130,162
85 Footwear	2,006	2,837	2,201	20,202	26,028
87 Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, nes	24,224	30,596	23,150	223,036	268,721
88 Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, nes; watches and clocks	24,910	29,686	22,692	214,361	236,574
89 Miscellaneous manufactured articles, nes	54,664	59,833	59,538	441,227	570,574
Total Section 8	124,766	144,983	127,294	1,078,324	1,300,467
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE IN THE SITC					
93 Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	15,872	19,490	16,172	143,220	176,033
95 Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	13,178	13,650	14,633	187,394	269,714
96 Coin (excl. gold coin), not being legal tender	1	186	6	1,044	304
97 Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates)	297,217	387,031	345,216	3,169,301	3,268,914
98 Combined confidential items of trade and commodities nes(c)(d)	55,324	87,670	74,966	601,405	679,348
Total Section 9(c)(d)	381,593	508,027	450,994	4,102,364	4,394,314
Total Exports	4,248,804	4,794,345	4,600,701	43,203,113	45,301,620

(a) Excludes commodities subject to a "No Commodity Details" restriction. These are included in Division 98. See the Appendix for details. (b) Excludes some commodities subject to a "No Commodity Details" restriction. See the Appendix for details. (c) Includes \$10 million of exports for March 1992 and \$50 million for April 1992 which cannot yet be allocated to commodity classification codes. See footnote (b) to Table 2. (d) Includes commodities subject to a "No Commodity Details" restriction except some metalliferous ores items which are included in Division 28 from July 1990. See the Appendix for details.

TABLE 5. PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN VALUE OF MAJOR COMMODITIES
COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF PREVIOUS YEAR(a)

Commodity description	1990-91 %	Three months ended		
		February 1992 %	March 1992 %	April 1992 %
Meat and meat preparations (01)	8.0	4.5	13.7	17.6
Cereals and cereal preparations (04)	-26.2	11.2	2.4	3.3
Sugars, sugar preparations and honey (06)	-14.1	-17.7	-3.3	-25.8
Textile fibres and their wastes (26)	-21.0	17.6	25.6	19.5
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap (28)	12.5	-5.1	-7.3	-6.2
Coal, coke and briquettes (32)	9.2	16.3	2.7	0.6
Petroleum, petroleum products, etc. (33)	61.3	-24.3	-19.5	-14.4
Manufactures of metal (67-69)	3.9	-0.3	4.3	9.0
Machinery and transport equipment (7)	25.3	3.8	12.5	12.5
Gold, non-monetary (97)	27.9	-8.6	-1.1	6.8
Total Exports	6.7	4.7	4.1	5.0

(a) Exports of 'major commodities' are significant exports by particular Sections (1 digit) and Divisions (2 digits) of the SITC Rev3 (figures in brackets following commodity descriptions denote the relevant Sections and Divisions).

TABLE 6. EXPORTS BY INDUSTRY OF ORIGIN
(\$'000)

Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC) Division/Sub-division	February 1992	March 1992	April 1992	Ten months ended April	
				1991	1992
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting					
01 Agriculture	461,710	599,081	528,385	4,109,037	4,512,002
03 Forestry and logging	642	915	3,032	10,926	14,454
04 Fishing and hunting	15,522	19,708	20,949	146,330	239,437
Total	477,874	619,704	552,366	4,266,293	4,765,893
Mining					
11 Metallic minerals	378,573	377,654	453,291	3,991,382	4,213,781
12 Coal	563,952	538,282	566,326	5,159,214	5,632,375
13 Oil and gas	184,780	203,609	179,453	2,431,459	2,103,694
14 Construction materials	608	2,549	3,581	14,884	24,194
15 Other non-metallic minerals	9,253	11,403	13,382	138,922	122,043
Total	1,137,167	1,133,496	1,216,032	11,735,861	12,096,087
Manufacturing					
21 Food, beverages and tobacco	629,760	663,600	648,671	6,102,993	6,484,401
23 Textiles	137,601	144,990	207,402	1,391,597	1,776,190
24 Clothing and footwear	15,746	19,681	15,052	135,585	162,215
25 Wood, wood products and furniture	27,922	47,047	45,810	404,359	467,637
26 Paper, paper products, printing and publishing	29,422	32,437	33,471	281,208	306,094
27 Chemical, petroleum and coal products	215,043	270,596	218,750	2,384,230	2,464,312
28 Non-metallic mineral products	15,125	18,201	16,367	121,512	152,035
29 Basic metal products	875,323	1,002,528	934,656	9,734,781	9,220,377
31 Fabricated metal products	53,585	56,333	44,164	541,862	684,346
32 Transport equipment	170,645	202,784	173,260	1,513,280	1,625,270
33 Other machinery and equipment	285,279	336,920	293,908	2,726,344	3,070,607
34 Miscellaneous manufacturing	71,691	107,469	74,770	648,930	792,386
Total	2,527,143	2,902,583	2,706,281	25,986,681	27,205,870
Other industries					
Wholesale, retail and service industries	5,060	5,476	3,238	63,374	63,390
Confidential items, Waste and scrap nes; Second hand goods nes; Special goods(a)	101,561	133,086	122,784	1,150,905	1,170,380
Total	106,620	138,562	126,022	1,214,279	1,233,770
Total Exports	4,248,804	4,794,345	4,600,701	43,203,113	45,301,620

(a) Includes \$10 million of exports for March 1992 and \$50 million for April 1992 which cannot yet be allocated to commodity classification codes. See footnote (b) to Table 2.

TABLE 7. EXPORTS BY BROAD ECONOMIC CATEGORIES (BEC)
(\$'000)

BEC	February 1992	March 1992	April 1992	Ten months ended April	
				1991	1992
<i>Food and beverages</i>	831,316	932,169	874,952	7,771,838	8,072,503
Primary	317,709	407,004	339,356	2,709,462	2,720,886
Mainly for industry	211,147	273,141	230,492	1,852,696	1,790,097
Mainly for household consumption	106,563	133,862	108,864	856,766	930,789
Processed	513,607	525,165	535,596	5,062,375	5,351,617
Mainly for industry	79,539	70,159	70,789	1,222,348	1,001,661
Mainly for household consumption	434,068	455,006	464,807	3,840,028	4,349,956
<i>Industrial supplies not elsewhere specified</i>	1,965,234	2,240,539	2,213,585	20,646,146	21,606,528
Primary	769,381	897,264	990,184	8,452,550	9,343,930
Processed	1,195,853	1,343,275	1,223,401	12,193,597	12,262,597
<i>Fuels and lubricants</i>	826,530	864,434	838,591	8,865,524	8,850,524
Primary	651,602	659,895	687,148	6,745,608	6,899,283
Processed	174,928	204,538	151,443	2,119,916	1,951,241
Motor spirit	8,071	9,837	12,953	69,505	148,913
Other	166,857	194,701	138,490	2,050,410	1,802,328
<i>Capital goods (except transport equipment), and parts and accessories thereof</i>	239,064	283,286	245,940	2,310,014	2,610,507
Capital goods (except transport equipment)	109,621	138,774	110,238	1,124,704	1,281,950
Parts and accessories	129,443	144,511	135,702	1,185,309	1,328,557
<i>Transport equipment and parts and accessories thereof</i>	174,655	216,769	182,905	1,606,475	1,724,914
Passenger motor cars	18,805	42,706	43,634	405,654	307,505
Other	60,371	53,239	18,098	300,018	316,684
Industrial	54,911	47,856	12,872	237,486	225,937
Non-industrial	5,460	5,383	5,226	62,532	90,747
Parts and accessories	95,479	120,824	121,173	900,803	1,100,725
<i>Consumer goods not elsewhere specified</i>	122,926	134,863	136,486	1,055,801	1,281,881
Durable	29,728	31,551	29,155	238,035	307,760
Semi-durable	37,444	42,049	41,382	337,556	402,184
Non-durable	55,754	61,263	65,949	460,210	571,937
<i>Goods not elsewhere specified(a)(b)</i>	89,077	122,286	108,243	947,315	1,154,763
Total Exports	4,248,804	4,794,345	4,600,701	43,203,113	45,301,620

(a) Includes commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction. See the Appendix for details. (b) Includes \$10 million of exports for March 1992 and \$50 million for April 1992 which cannot yet be allocated to commodity classification codes. See footnote (b) to Table 2.

TABLE 8. EXPORTS BY STATE(a)

State	February 1992		March 1992		April 1992		Ten months ended April			
	\$ '000	% of total exports	\$ '000	% of total exports	\$ '000	% of total exports	1991		1992	
							\$ '000	% of total exports	\$ '000	% of total exports
Australian produce										
New South Wales	894,980	21.1	998,469	20.8	921,874	20.0	10,003,995	23.2	9,498,184	21.0
Victoria	755,897	17.8	881,128	18.4	799,682	17.4	7,173,693	16.6	7,844,150	17.3
Queensland	788,535	18.6	779,583	16.3	908,024	19.7	8,833,163	20.4	8,929,892	19.7
South Australia	304,294	7.2	316,364	6.6	294,862	6.4	2,479,120	5.7	2,830,880	6.2
Western Australia	1,102,505	25.9	1,296,407	27.0	1,132,178	24.6	10,350,221	24.0	11,705,558	25.8
Tasmania	139,863	3.3	154,557	3.2	143,288	3.1	1,100,809	2.5	1,174,441	2.6
Northern Territory	89,568	2.1	108,543	2.3	136,866	3.0	1,591,724	3.7	1,253,063	2.8
Australian Capital Territory	1,416	—	562	—	1,410	—	5,536	—	8,302	—
State not available for publication(b)	12,712	0.3	31,085	0.6	66,404	1.4	75,436	0.2	169,307	0.4
Total	4,089,770	96.3	4,566,698	95.3	4,404,587	95.7	41,613,696	96.3	43,413,777	95.8
Re-exports	159,034	3.7	227,648	4.7	196,114	4.3	1,589,417	3.7	1,887,844	4.2
Total Exports	4,248,804	100.0	4,794,345	100.0	4,600,701	100.0	43,203,113	100.0	45,301,620	100.0

(a) State in which the final stage of production or manufacture occurs. (b) Includes \$10 million of exports for March 1992 and \$50 million for April 1992 which cannot yet be allocated by State. See footnote (b) to Table 2.

TABLE 9. EXPORTS BY COUNTRY
(\$'000)

Country or country group	February 1992	March 1992	April 1992	Ten months ended April	
				1991	1992
<i>Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) —</i>					
Brunei	1,232	1,548	1,583	12,007	13,829
Indonesia	96,953	124,114	116,421	1,214,060	1,265,924
Malaysia	89,143	77,395	67,407	850,578	921,776
Philippines	43,603	42,446	41,459	365,767	420,611
Singapore	256,096	299,497	301,824	2,354,598	2,587,572
Thailand	51,559	99,361	87,532	529,402	652,377
Total ASEAN	538,586	644,361	616,226	5,326,413	5,862,090
<i>European Community (EC) —</i>					
Belgium-Luxembourg	74,517	77,619	68,292	352,961	549,906
Denmark	10,025	7,125	4,659	70,908	85,460
France	93,842	93,279	83,083	640,432	786,324
Germany	83,124	84,810	83,018	917,288	871,975
Greece	1,591	4,257	4,226	24,730	36,368
Ireland	585	1,014	1,688	13,441	14,030
Italy	96,536	111,844	95,052	806,514	826,103
Netherlands	56,551	77,390	61,009	860,514	712,681
Portugal	1,128	2,740	1,522	28,340	21,109
Spain	43,261	15,839	19,715	160,525	222,467
United Kingdom	152,652	193,037	167,370	1,481,745	1,472,495
Total EC	613,812	668,954	589,634	5,357,399	5,598,919
<i>Other Countries —</i>					
Algeria	1,679	3,617	3,709	56,721	26,584
Argentina	8,036	9,648	4,980	115,494	80,942
Austria	1,464	1,246	2,874	22,846	19,434
Bahrain(a)	12,064	2,700	1,337	130,959	82,732
Bangladesh	11,028	10,641	3,502	66,630	72,453
Brazil	12,074	16,562	23,438	96,614	179,156
Bulgaria	—	9,645	40	2,758	13,864
Canada	67,997	52,369	84,779	677,293	704,458
Chile	1,279	2,376	5,349	42,122	36,161
China	108,541	153,763	100,874	1,033,249	1,229,750
Christmas Island ^d	624	648	596	7,120	8,487
Colombia	57	1,037	334	3,399	7,973
Cyprus	287	5,014	221	2,227	9,169
Czech and Slovak Fed Rep	1,621	877	2,593	21,802	18,673
Egypt(a)	38,398	55,495	45,775	193,257	321,911
Ethiopia	5,307	1,418	3,231	1,588	10,167
Fiji	14,644	13,915	26,400	200,447	198,986
Finland	6,939	9,397	16,592	60,534	86,235
French Polynesia	2,764	12,201	6,341	80,934	60,969
Ghana	770	2,407	693	16,778	20,160
Guam	2,578	1,561	976	12,831	19,776
Hong Kong	150,486	191,708	179,269	1,186,058	1,696,908
India	50,726	74,813	59,181	580,521	554,843
Iran	8,926	21,512	25,872	414,653	224,687
Iraq	12,825	31,061	67,483	6,470	164,429
Israel	2,781	5,041	9,911	32,339	56,563
Japan	1,113,232	1,134,665	1,119,536	11,774,387	12,105,189
Jordan	3,700	392	591	21,608	24,557
Kenya	537	468	154	7,708	6,827
Kiribati	1,339	1,644	1,566	10,482	11,340
Korea, Republic of	260,624	270,615	264,090	2,651,939	2,798,587
Kuwait	5,063	7,210	8,265	6,272	47,422
Libya	949	605	503	7,503	9,881
Macao	1,026	2,001	5,571	1,629	14,621

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE 9. EXPORTS BY COUNTRY — *continued*
(\$'000)

Country or country group	February 1992	March 1992	April 1992	Ten months ended April	
				1991	1992
Marshall Islands	94	122	179	2,784	10,383
Mauritius	3,951	4,961	5,181	32,218	44,559
Mexico	11,174	6,535	6,521	48,941	79,059
Micronesia Fed States of	572	783	125	4,121	7,416
Mozambique	25	236	214	5,565	7,095
Myanmar	13,017	109	13	29,287	14,330
Nauru	228	3,358	2,139	18,089	16,627
New Caledonia	11,991	10,500	11,956	66,329	106,876
New Zealand	211,376	230,656	256,946	2,114,103	2,339,767
Norfolk Island	720	837	909	8,898	7,414
Norway(a)	8,429	5,473	13,019	20,009	36,274
Oman	8,852	5,598	1,710	59,847	52,538
Pakistan	14,392	35,232	14,118	125,782	179,565
Papua New Guinea	64,770	75,597	66,043	637,407	731,664
Peru	1,419	352	351	13,879	11,682
Poland	499	400	1,060	23,605	11,966
Qatar	6,580	2,252	2,072	19,566	26,245
Romania	320	3,797	6,239	25,464	48,979
Samoa (American)	393	677	1,322	18,644	10,289
Saudi Arabia	13,579	19,818	18,647	171,747	217,870
Solomon Islands	8,357	3,277	3,619	27,649	41,529
South Africa	15,144	19,218	28,453	145,446	167,807
Sri Lanka	3,776	4,149	5,321	26,452	37,257
Swaziland	38	55	4	60	5,408
Sweden	8,333	9,182	25,163	97,909	117,006
Switzerland	41,192	101,331	37,334	1,169,415	635,483
Taiwan	202,066	215,804	236,793	1,569,924	2,084,211
Tonga	788	955	824	10,404	9,296
Turkey	16,495	15,192	9,077	121,520	141,206
U.S.S.R.	5,840	4,469	3,631	275,303	198,384
United Arab Emirates	22,368	32,654	22,506	234,008	278,121
United States of America	401,422	444,378	418,491	4,799,424	4,337,710
Uruguay	111	342	3,651	677	6,566
Vanuatu	3,075	2,909	2,579	29,112	24,146
Venezuela	1,686	2,010	1,797	23,279	13,195
Vietnam	2,440	2,135	2,539	14,207	42,699
Western Samoa	2,293	1,842	1,702	14,080	20,230
Yemen	553	1,098	645	110,275	45,857
Yugoslavia	451	5,704	5,266	44,184	28,721
Zimbabwe	383	2,224	903	14,182	5,977
Other Countries	13,162	9,747	11,145	109,644	99,023
Destination Unknown	310	437	211	4,867	4,224
No Country Details(a)	12,712	21,085	16,404	75,436	109,307
Ships' Stores	50,666	54,348	20,106	573,327	440,540
Unidentified(b)	—	10,921	51,281	2	62,216
Total Exports	4,248,804	4,794,345	4,600,701	43,203,113	45,301,620

(a) Exports of alumina to Egypt and Iceland are excluded from country totals and included in the "No Country Details" category. This treatment also applies to exports of alumina to Norway up until February 1992, and to Bahrain from March 1992. (b) Includes \$10 million of exports for March 1992 and \$50 million for April 1992 which cannot yet be allocated by country. See footnote (b) to Table 2.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The merchandise export statistics in this publication are compiled in broad agreement with the United Nations' recommendations for the compilation of international trade statistics. The sections below briefly describe the concepts and methods used in their compilation.

Scope and coverage

2. Merchandise exports covers all movable goods which subtract from Australia's stock of material resources.

3. For details of those goods excluded from merchandise trade, either because they are not within the scope of merchandise trade or for which practical difficulties prevent their measurement, see paragraphs 9 and 10 of the Explanatory Notes of the 1990-91 issue of the publication *Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Exports, Detailed Commodity Tables* (5436.0).

Basis of compilation

4. The merchandise export statistics in this publication are recorded on a general trade basis, i.e. exports include both Australian produce and re-exports.

5. Australian produce is defined as goods, materials or articles which have been produced or manufactured in Australia. Processing and assembly operations that leave imported components and products essentially unchanged are not considered as production or manufacture.

6. Re-exports are defined as goods, materials or articles originally imported into Australia which are exported in the same condition or after undergoing minor operations (e.g. blending, packaging, bottling, cleaning, husking and shelling) which leave them essentially unchanged.

Commodity classifications

7. Commodity exports statistics in Tables 2 to 4 of this publication are presented according to the codes and descriptions of the United Nations' Standard International Trade Classification Revision 3 (SITC Rev 3) with the addition of dummy codes to take account of Australia's treatment of gold and other legal tender coin and confidential items.

8. Statistics in Table 7 are presented according to the categories of the United Nations' classification, Broad Economic Categories (BEC). The BEC classifies foreign trade statistics according to the main end use of the commodities traded.

Industry of origin

9. Export statistics in Table 6 are classified by subdivisions of the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC). Commodities classified to statistical items of the Australian Harmonized Export Commodity Classification are allocated to the ASIC industry of origin whose main economic activities are primarily associated with those commodities.

Valuation

10. The value of exports is the free on board (FOB) transactions value of the goods expressed in Australian dollars.

Time of recording

11. Prior to EXIT, the new Australian Customs Service (ACS) system for exports electronic entry and cargo reporting, exports lodged with ACS via a paper system were generally recorded statistically in the month the documentation was processed by ACS. While the requirements for exporters or their agents to provide details of their export shipments varied, approximately 50 per cent of total export trade by value shown for a particular month reflected actual shipments departing during that month, while approximately 45 per cent reflected actual shipments departing during the previous month with the remaining 5 per cent by value departing in earlier months. For individual commodities these percentages may vary considerably.

12. EXIT implementation commenced in December 1988 and under this system export entries are lodged with ACS *prior to shipment*. The number of exporters utilising the system increased over the period until June 1991, when all exporters or their agents were *required* to lodge entries for exportation prior to shipment by either utilising the EXIT computer system or presenting the appropriate documentation to the customs authorities.

13. In order to maintain a consistent time series over the period of progressive implementation of EXIT, and to avoid further delay in the release of exports statistics, exports information being reported through EXIT was adjusted to record it in the statistical period in which it would have been recorded prior to EXIT.

14. With all export entries now processed under EXIT, an improved timing basis for compilation of exports statistics can be introduced. Commencing with this issue, all exports statistics are presented on the basis of goods shipped in any period rather than on the basis of the documentation of goods shipped in that or earlier periods. For details of the change, see *Changes in this Issue* on page 2.

Country statistics

15. Country statistics shown in Tables 3 and 9 refer to the country to which the goods were consigned at the time of export.

16. Data for countries and country groups for all time periods included in this publication reflect the composition of those countries and country groups on the last day of the reference period of this publication.

Confidentiality

17. Restrictions are placed on the release of statistics for certain commodities for reasons of confidentiality. These restrictions do not affect total export figures, but they can

affect statistics at all levels in country and commodity tables. Refer to table footnotes and the Appendix for specific details.

18. More details on the confidentiality process can be obtained from the **Confidentiality Manager** on Canberra (06) 252 5409.

Reliability

19. Statistics in this publication for recent periods should be considered preliminary. Revisions to previously published data frequently occur due to continuing data quality checks.

Relationship to balance of payments statistics

20. The basic source of balance of payments data on merchandise exports and imports is 'foreign trade statistics'. However, because of conceptual differences, various coverage, timing and (imports only) valuation adjustments are necessary before foreign trade statistics can be put on a balance of payments basis. For more information on the relationship between merchandise trade measures in foreign trade and balance of payments statistics see either *Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Exports and Imports* (5410.0) or Chapter 9 of *Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (5331.0).

Related publications

21. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

Balance of Payments, Australia (5301.0) — issued monthly

Balance of Payments, Australia (5302.0) — issued quarterly

Balance of Payments, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods (5331.0) — irregular issue

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Exports and Imports (5410.0) — issued annually

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Exports and Imports by Country (5422.0) — issued quarterly

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Exports (5424.0) — issued annually

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Imports (5426.0) — issued annually

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Imports (5433.0) — issued monthly

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Exports (5434.0) — issued quarterly

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Imports (5435.0) — issued quarterly

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Exports, Detailed Commodity Tables (5436.0) — issued annually

Foreign Trade, Australia: Merchandise Imports, Detailed Commodity Tables (5437.0) — issued annually

Foreign Trade, Australia: International Cargo (5440.0) — issued quarterly

Export Price Index, Australia (6405.0) — issued monthly

Import Price Index, Australia (6414.0) — issued monthly

22. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and the Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Next release date

23. The May 1992 issue of this publication is expected to be released in late July 1992.

Symbols and other usages

The following symbols and abbreviations are used in this publication:

—	nil or rounded to zero
nes	not elsewhere specified
..	not applicable
n.p.	not for publication

24. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

APPENDIX

CONFIDENTIAL COMMODITY LISTING

Restrictions are placed on the release of statistics for certain commodities for reasons of confidentiality. The codes of the SITC Rev3 items affected, together with the codes of the Australian Harmonized Export Commodity Classification (AHECC) items which are confidential, the type of restriction and the period for which it applies, are listed below.

2. In Table 3, commodities subject to a 'No Country Details' restriction are excluded from the relevant country and are included in the 'No Country Details' item.
3. In Tables 2 through 7, commodities subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction are generally excluded from the relevant commodity classification but included in residual categories and total export measures.
4. However, from 1 July 1990 several AHECC items relating to exports of metalliferous ores and metal scrap (SITC item 28) that are subject to a 'No Commodity Details' restriction are reclassified to appropriate broader categories to which they relate rather than to residual categories. The affected items are asterisked in the table below. For further details, including the mapping of the embargoed items to the various broader categories, see the note *Changed application of confidentiality embargoes* at the beginning of the Explanatory Notes in the July 1991 issue of this publication.

SITC Rev3			AHECC					
Section	Division	Item	Item	Type of restriction	Started	Finished		
0	04	04120	1001.90.10	No Country Details for Value	01.12.91	—		
			1001.90.20	No Country Details for Value	01.12.91	—		
		04220	1006.20.20	No Country Details	01.01.88	—		
		04231	1006.30.10	No Country Details	01.01.88	—		
			1006.30.21	No Country Details	01.01.88	—		
		1006.30.29	No Country Details	01.01.88	—			
		1006.30.31	No Country Details	01.01.88	—			
		1006.30.39	No Country Details	01.01.88	—			
		04232	1006.40.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	30.06.91		
				No Commodity Details	01.07.91	—		
		06	06111	1701.11.10	No Country Details for Value	01.01.88	—	
		2	21	21111	4101.21.10	No Country Details for Hong Kong, Thailand	01.12.88	—
4101.21.10	No Country Details for Mexico, USA				01.10.91	—		
28	28150		2601.11.20	No Country Details for Austria, Belgium-Luxembourg, Netherlands, Germany, France, USA, Spain	01.06.88	31.01.91		
				No Country Details for China, Republic of Korea, UK	01.08.89	31.01.91		
				No Country Details for Belgium-Luxembourg, Netherlands, UK	01.02.91	—		
			28421	7501.10.00	No Commodity Details	01.01.88	—	
			28510	2606.00.00*	No Commodity Details	01.01.88	—	
			28520	2818.20.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	
			28610	2612.10.01	No Country Details	01.05.89	—	
			28620	2612.20.10*	No Commodity Details	01.01.92	31.01.92	
			28770	2602.00.00*	No Commodity Details	01.01.88	—	
			28783	2614.00.11	No Country Details	01.01.92	—	
				2614.00.12	No Country Details	01.01.92	—	

* See paragraph 4 of this appendix.

APPENDIX — continued

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SITC Rev3			AHECC		Type of restriction	Started	Finished
Section	Division	Item	Item				
2	28	28783	2614.00.20*	No Commodity Details	01.01.88	—	
			2614.00.31	No Country Details	01.01.92	31.01.92	
			2614.00.32*	No Commodity Details	01.04.92	—	
		28784	2615.00.11*	No Commodity Details	01.01.92	—	
			2615.00.21*	No Commodity Details	01.01.92	—	
			28799	2617.90.00*	No Commodity Details	01.01.88	—
3	32	32121	2701.12.11	No Country Details for Iran, India	01.12.88	31.01.92	
					01.01.88	—	
	34	34210	2711.12.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	
		34250	2711.13.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	
34310		2711.11.00	No Quantity Details	01.10.89	—		
4	42	42121	1512.21.00	No Commodity Details	01.10.88	—	
5	52	52269	2825.60.00	No Commodity Details	01.03.89	—	
	54	54151	2937.91.00	No Commodity Details	01.03.88	—	
	57	57219	3903.19.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	31.07.90	
6	63	63451	4411.11.00	No Commodity Details	01.11.88	—	
		64	64110	4801.00.00	No Commodity Details	01.04.89	31.10.90
	01.04.91					31.12.91	
	66	66721	7102.10.00	No Commodity Details	01.01.88	—	
					01.01.88	31.07.90	
	67	67939	7305.90.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	
		67941	7306.10.10	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	
		67943	7306.10.90	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	
			7306.30.10	No Country Details	01.01.88	28.02.91	
			7306.30.11	No Country Details	01.07.88	—	
			7306.30.90	No Country Details	01.01.88	28.02.91	
		7306.30.91	No Country Details	01.07.88	—		
		67944	7306.60.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	
	68	68311	7502.10.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	
No Quantity Details				01.01.88	—		
68312		7502.20.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	—		
			No Quantity Details	01.01.88	—		
68323	7504.00.00	No Commodity Details	01.01.88	—			
7	72	72492	8451.90.00	No Country Details	01.01.88	—	

