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OVERSEAS TRADE : IMPORTS BY COMMODITY DIVISIONS AND BY COUNTRIES, AUSTRALIA

MARCH 1970

This statement includes preliminary information on imports for March 1970 with comparative figures for the months of January and February 1970 and nine months ended March 1969 and 1970. More detailed figures will be published in the Monthly Bulletin of Overseas Trade, Part 2 - Imports, March 1970 (Reference No. 8.10)

TABLE 1. - IMPORTS BY SECTIONS AND DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMPORT

COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION (a)

(\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)(b)

Section and Division (c)	January	February	March	Nine months ended March	
	1970	1970	1970	1969	1970
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS -					
00 Live animals	282	1,417	415	2,108	3,142
01 Meat and meat preparations	196	96	209	816	1,699
02 Dairy products and eggs	554	365	560	3,414	4,135
03 Fish and fish preparations	3,821	2,461	2,094	23,521	26,365
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	207	321	444	5,155	3,632
05 Fruit and vegetables	1,998	2,004	1,961	16,151	17,127
06 Sugar, sugar preparations, honey	251	252	281	1,985	2,321
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	2 613	3,370	7,908	36,547	37,457
08 Feeding-stuff for animals (except unmilled cereals)	1,047	315	801	4,744	5,384
09 Misc. preps. chiefly for food	251	284	300	1,700	2,522
<u>Total Section 0</u>	11,220	10,885	14,973	96,141	103,784
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO -					
11 Beverages	1,278	1,177	1,445	11,626	11,998
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	3,310	2,426	2,562	21,909	27,153
<u>Total Section 1</u>	4,588	3,603	4,007	33,535	39,151
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS -					
21 Hides, skins, fur skins, undressed	300	277	210	1,955	1,417
22 Oil-seeds, oil nuts, oil kernels	631	863	524	5,246	8,557
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	2,241	1,806	1,996	20,396	21,804
24 Wood, timber and cork	3,924	4,423	4,126	36,225	38,306
25 Pulp and waste paper	3,424	3,085	2,865	19,256	27,095
26 Textile fibres and their waste	2,582	2,213	2,487	24,407	24,365
27 Crude fertilisers, crude minerals (exc. coal, petroleum, precious stones)	4,851	5,017	3,831	51,988	46,307
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	792	649	981	4,076	5,576
29 Crude animal, vegetable materials, n.es.	1,479	937	1,033	8,819	9,687
<u>Total Section 2</u>	20,224	19,270	18,053	172,368	183,114

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TABLE 1. - IMPORTS BY SECTIONS AND DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMPORT

COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION (a) - continued

(\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)(b)

Section and Division (c)		January	February	March	Nine months ended March	
		1970	1970	1970	1969	1970
3	MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS -					
32	Coal, coke and briquettes	191	18	90	419	643
33	Petroleum and petroleum products	22,433	23,654	15,295	187,153	196,783
34	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	4	4	3	25	41
<u>Total Section 3</u>		22,628	23,676	15,388	187,597	197,467
4	ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS -					
41	Animal oils and fats	92	83	24	541	647
42	Fixed vegetable oils and fats	1,217	613	1,389	8,025	8,927
43	Animal, vegetable oils, fats, processed; waxes of animal, vegetable origin	236	133	148	1,291	1,492
<u>Total Section 4</u>		1,545	829	1,561	9,857	11,066
5	CHEMICALS -					
51	Chemical elements and compounds	10,490	7,330	10,833	80,863	87,423
52	Mineral tar, crude chemicals from coal, petroleum, natural gas	108	47	30	1,583	1,904
53	Dyeing, tanning, colouring materials	1,996	1,380	1,892	14,255	17,104
54	Medicinal, pharmaceutical products	3,784	4,327	4,494	29,326	36,127
55	Essential oils, perfume materials; toilet, polishing, cleansing preps.	1,414	1,075	1,257	10,363	11,779
56	Fertilisers, manufactured	501	351	1,444	9,449	6,367
57	Explosives, pyrotechnic products	94	90	116	3,750	3,293
58	Plastic materials, regenerated cellulose, artificial resins	7,491	5,856	6,797	60,354	64,953
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	4,119	3,629	3,359	37,108	37,332
<u>Total Section 5</u>		29,997	24,085	30,231	247,051	266,282
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL -					
61	Leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s., and dressed fur skins	652	724	596	4,536	5,636
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	3,595	2,970	3,204	28,137	30,223
63	Wood, cork manufactures (exc. furniture)	1,155	1,223	1,122	11,216	11,290
64	Paper, paperboard and manufactures	9,686	9,716	8,162	75,793	79,058
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, related products	26,243	21,634	21,943	197,651	214,225
66	Non-metallic mineral manufact. n.e.s.	6,385	5,850	6,328	49,364	58,843
67	Iron and steel	10,735	6,976	6,296	74,478	67,194
68	Non-ferrous metals	2,457	2,119	2,275	21,354	20,006
69	Manufactures of metal, n.e.s.	8,294	7,671	7,185	58,701	69,704
<u>Total Section 6</u>		69,202	58,883	57,111	521,230	556,179

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 COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION (a) - continued
 (\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)(b)

Section and Division (c)	January	February	March	Nine months ended March	
	1970	1970	1970	1969	1970
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT -					
71 Machinery (except electric)	62,693	61,633	54,618	444,267	516,514
72 Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances	21,302	19,482	21,974	158,585	184,377
73 Transport equipment (including warships, military aircraft)	37,805	57,864	35,425	397,784	435,823
<u>Total Section 7</u>	121,800	138,979	112,017	1,000,636	1,136,714
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES -					
81 Sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings	531	359	455	3,425	4,198
82 Furniture	381	368	381	3,848	4,044
83 Travel goods, handbags, similar articles	414	398	337	3,975	4,476
84 Clothing, clothing accessories, articles of knitted or crocheted fabric	4,192	4,146	3,068	23,420	26,447
85 Footwear, gaiters, etc. and parts	1,554	1,160	1,321	8,184	12,296
86 Professional, scientific, controlling instruments photo and optical goods: watches, clocks	9,651	8,859	9,003	74,598	90,287
89 Misc. manufactured articles, n.e.s.	12,256	12,579	11,379	104,251	120,908
<u>Total Section 8</u>	28,979	27,869	25,944	221,701	262,656
9A Commodities, transactions not classified according to kind	9,788	8,758	8,273	84,094	92,997
<u>TOTAL MERCHANDISE</u>	319,971	316,837	287,558	2,574,210	2,849,410
9B Non-merchandise (d)	8,215	4,560	3,042	32,631	44,421
<u>TOTAL</u>	328,186	321,397	290,600	2,606,841	2,893,831

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Freight and Insurance payable on imports are not included above. These are estimated at approximately \$415 million for the year ended 30 June 1969. (c) Equivalent to Sections and Divisions of Standard International Trade Classification (Revised). (d) A complete description of non-merchandise items is contained in the Australian Import Commodity Classification published by the Bureau.

TABLE 2. - IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN (a)
(£'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Country of Origin	January	February	March	Nine months ended March	
	1970	1970	1970	1969	1970
Austria	588	615	492	5,660	5,934
Bahrain	1,544	1,488	411	4,740	12,013
Belgium-Luxembourg ..	1,889	4,935	1,907	15,059	20,722
Brazil	258	801	540	4,125	5,156
Brunei	713	1,376	723	13,040	10,885
Canada	13,725	15,111	12,671	120,536	115,821
Ceylon	667	544	1,608	12,603	9,042
China (mainland) ..	3,308	2,275	1,838	22,423	23,770
China, Republic of (Taiwan)	1,315	1,667	1,126	9,214	11,921
Christmas Island ..	501	455	460	6,806	6,084
Czechoslovakia ..	851	604	759	6,458	5,844
Denmark	1,093	945	1,037	6,716	8,130
Fiji	295	375	298	4,009	4,673
Finland	1,753	1,472	1,021	11,634	12,655
France	6,039	6,929	4,177	48,101	50,645
Germany, Federal Republic of	22,500	20,652	17,162	151,958	188,263
Ghana	9	450	2,509	3,275	6,246
Gilbert and Ellice Islands	236	139	478	2,875	2,855
Hong Kong	4,587	5,294	3,728	31,591	39,953
India	3,265	2,884	2,752	25,158	24,709
Indonesia	3,874	4,216	2,845	46,651	37,938
Iran	949	1,329	468	11,455	10,370
Iraq	1,205	1,416	708	8,340	7,214
Italy	5,810	6,467	5,848	61,417	56,879
Japan	41,747	39,574	31,942	309,644	356,215
Kuwait	5,937	3,793	3,989	35,059	34,981
Malaysia	2,676	2,159	2,604	21,961	25,338
Nauru	1,177	1,348	602	11,918	11,357
Netherlands	4,591	3,895	4,025	39,422	42,334
New Zealand	7,038	8,491	8,706	55,011	61,429
Norway	1,257	485	860	9,439	7,856
Pakistan	2,149	1,300	1,705	13,317	14,055
Papua and New Guinea ..	1,359	2,041	1,669	24,199	15,455
Qatar	1,954	2,032	573	12,898	16,721
Saudi Arabia	3,769	4,438	4,213	32,146	33,091
Singapore	1,133	1,100	593	9,194	10,621
South Africa	1,795	1,464	1,551	15,667	16,231
South Yemen, Republic of ..	123	783	256	3,576	6,069
Spain	1,436	837	1,205	7,151	9,196
Sweden	5,176	5,364	2,857	37,889	40,764
Switzerland	4,193	5,730	4,502	36,143	43,792
Trucial States	660	387	519	4,091	11,930
Uganda	51	173	550	4,343	4,314
United Kingdom	70,611	64,185	70,597	548,121	626,596
United States of America ..	75,901	78,322	70,364	668,875	734,458
Other countries	16,479	11,057	11,152	72,933	93,306
Total	328,186	321,397	290,600	2,606,841	2,893,831

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