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OVERSEA TRADE : IMPORTS BY COMMODITY DIVISIONS, AUSTRALIA
DECEMBER 1966 (PRELIMINARY)

This Statement includes preliminary information on imports for December 1966 with comparative figures for the months of October and November 1966 and six months ended December 1965 and 1966 classified according to the Sections and Divisions of the Australian Import Commodity Classification. More detailed figures for imports and exports will be published in the Monthly Bulletin of Oversea Trade for December 1966.

IMPORTS ACCORDING TO SECTIONS AND DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION (a)
(£1'000 f.o.b. port of shipment) (b)

Section and Division (c)	October	November	December	Six months ended	
	1966	1966	1966	1965	1966
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS					
00 Live animals	78	144	97	724	713
01 Meat and meat preparations	29	78	47	193	267
02 Dairy products and eggs	346	355	394	1,811	2,048
03 Fish and fish preparations	2,249	3,161	2,360	15,321	13,616
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	297	250	211	1,384	1,322
05 Fruit and vegetables	1,532	1,845	1,228	8,858	8,484
06 Sugar and sugar preparations and honey	208	232	199	1,189	1,128
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	4,036	3,451	1,999	24,096	21,523
08 Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmailed cereals)	502	649	713	2,120	3,544
09 Miscellaneous preparations chiefly for food	114	138	119	600	856
Total Section 0	9,391	10,303	7,367	56,296	53,701
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO					
11 Beverages	722	1,062	935	7,666	5,055
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	1,886	2,443	3,369	14,623	11,689
Total Section 1	2,608	3,505	4,304	22,289	16,744
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS					
21 Hides, skins and fur skins, undressed	165	137	70	1,284	1,039
22 Oil seeds, oil nuts and oil kernels	696	337	555	6,344	3,168
23 Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	2,459	1,772	1,643	14,757	14,681
24 Wood, timber and cork	3,165	2,893	2,913	19,764	17,777
25 Pulp and waste paper	2,175	2,469	1,280	14,583	11,888
26 Textile fibres and their waste	2,193	2,931	2,697	19,629	16,859
27 Crude fertilizers and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)	6,287	5,067	3,912	21,618	30,362
28 Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	428	353	202	1,761	2,311
29 Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	740	1,108	839	5,210	5,350
Total Section 2	18,308	17,067	14,111	104,970	103,475
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS					
32 Coal, coke and briquettes	20	12	79	415	272
33 Petroleum and petroleum products	21,557	20,701	19,133	131,851	124,479
34 Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	..	4	7	5	12
Total Section 3	21,577	20,717	19,219	132,271	124,763
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS					
41 Animal oils and fats	158	196	123	992	776
42 Fixed vegetable oils and fats	1,505	1,381	802	5,796	6,752
43 Animal and vegetable oils and fats, processed, and waxes of animal or vegetable origin	120	108	102	810	664
Total Section 4	1,783	1,685	1,027	7,598	8,192
5 CHEMICALS					
51 Chemical elements and compounds	7,425	7,949	6,703	47,233	47,324
52 Mineral tar and crude chemicals from coal, petroleum and natural gas	163	216	579	1,889	1,370

IMPORTS ACCORDING TO SECTIONS AND DIVISIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION (a) - continued
(\\$A'000 f.o.b. port of shipment) (b)

Section and Division (c)		October	November	December	Six months ended	
		1966	1966	1966	1965	1966
53	Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	1,642	1,676	1,570	7,947	9,762
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	2,629	3,161	2,653	18,092	17,190
55	Essential oils and perfume materials, toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	1,280	1,425	975	6,384	7,339
56	Fertilizers, manufactured	882	1,329	343	4,681	5,305
57	Explosives and pyrotechnic products	410	285	272	2,222	2,695
58	Plastic materials, regenerated cellulose and artificial resins	5,581	5,843	5,242	36,055	33,563
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	3,025	2,776	3,152	16,016	18,961
Total Section 5		23,037	24,660	21,489	140,519	143,559
6	MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIALS					
61	Leather, leather manufactures, n.e.s. and dressed fur skins	400	541	358	2,300	2,859
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	2,032	2,485	2,257	15,087	13,237
63	Wood and cork manufactures (excluding furniture)	865	1,003	829	5,300	5,202
64	Paper, paperboard and manufactures thereof	7,407	9,120	6,372	44,885	43,189
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	18,523	20,171	15,628	122,400	113,800
66	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	4,558	4,773	3,969	28,610	27,862
67	Iron and steel	4,276	5,995	4,433	51,109	29,550
68	Non-ferrous metals	1,055	1,313	1,445	11,713	7,765
69	Manufactures of metal, n.e.s.	4,866	5,999	5,339	37,908	33,078
Total Section 6		43,982	51,400	40,630	319,312	276,542
7	MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT					
71	Machinery, other than electric	38,066	46,216	48,212	288,283	272,331
72	Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances	13,785	15,461	14,575	89,310	91,799
73	Transport equipment (including warships, and military aircraft)	22,886	23,072	28,222	181,758	199,159
Total Section 7		74,737	84,749	91,009	559,351	563,289
8	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES					
81	Sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings	304	353	312	1,870	1,826
82	Furniture	274	292	265	2,216	1,558
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar articles	424	417	257	2,321	2,346
84	Clothing and clothing accessories and articles of knitted or crocheted fabric	1,123	1,164	1,426	8,781	7,957
85	Footwear, gaiters, and similar articles and parts therefor	513	382	264	2,892	3,893
86	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments, photographic and optical goods, watches and clocks	6,827	7,452	6,756	42,023	41,882
85	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	10,649	11,135	7,999	59,057	61,192
Total Section 8		20,114	21,195	17,279	119,160	120,654
9A	Commodities and transactions not classified according to kind	7,428	10,254	6,911	46,551	56,462
TOTAL MERCHANDISE TRADE		222,965	245,535	223,346	1,508,317	1,467,381
9B	Non-merchandise (including gold bullion and specie)(d)	3,721	4,719	2,769	20,195	20,543
TOTAL RECORDED TRADE		226,686	250,254	226,115	1,528,512	1,487,924

(a) Preliminary, subject to revision. (b) Freight and Insurance payable on imports are not included above. These are estimated at approximately \$A.352 million for the twelve months ended 30 June 1966. (c) Equivalent to Sections and Divisions of Standard International Trade Classification (Revised). (d) Non-merchandise items include commodities such as gold, legal tender, decorations, trophies, samples, passengers' personal effects, military equipment and stores for Australian Forces abroad, goods for the use of diplomatic and consular representatives, goods imported with the intention to being re-exported, etc. A complete description of these commodities is contained in the Australian Import Commodity Classification published by the Bureau.

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