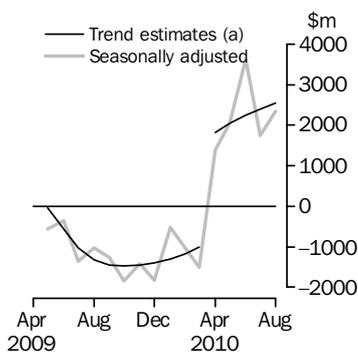


INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES

AUSTRALIA

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Balance on Goods and Services



(a) A trend break of \$2,033m has been applied to April 2010.

KEY FIGURES

	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010	Jul 10 to Aug 10 %
	\$m	\$m	\$m	%
BALANCE ON GOODS AND SERVICES				
Trend estimates	2 253	2 404	2 549	..
Seasonally adjusted	3 620	1 743	2 346	..
CREDITS (Exports of goods & services)				
Trend estimates	25 192	25 508	25 703	1
Seasonally adjusted	26 716	25 319	24 711	-2
DEBITS (Imports of goods & services)				
Trend estimates	22 939	23 104	23 154	—
Seasonally adjusted	23 096	23 576	22 365	-5

.. not applicable

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KEY POINTS

BALANCE ON GOODS AND SERVICES

- The trend estimate of the *balance on goods and services* was a surplus of \$2,549m in August 2010, an increase of \$145m on the revised surplus in July 2010.
- In seasonally adjusted terms, the *balance on goods and services* was a surplus of \$2,346m in August 2010, an increase of \$603m on the revised surplus in July 2010.

CREDITS (EXPORTS OF GOODS & SERVICES)

- In seasonally adjusted terms, *goods and services credits* fell \$608m (2%) to \$24,711m. *Non-monetary gold* fell \$401m (32%), *non-rural goods* fell \$145m (1%) and *rural goods* fell \$85m (3%). *Services credits* rose \$23m (1%).

DEBITS (IMPORTS OF GOODS & SERVICES)

- In seasonally adjusted terms, *goods and services debits* fell \$1,211m (5%) to \$22,365m. *Intermediate and other merchandise goods* fell \$1,052m (12%), *capital goods* fell \$127m (3%) and *non-monetary gold* fell \$78m (22%). *Consumption goods* rose \$42m (1%). *Services debits* rose \$4m.

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NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

<i>ISSUE</i>	<i>RELEASE DATE</i>
September 2010	4 November 2010
October 2010	2 December 2010
November 2010	11 January 2011
December 2010	3 February 2011
January 2011	3 March 2011
February 2011	5 April 2011



REVISIONS

Revisions have been made to incorporate the latest data relating to international merchandise trade and international trade in services.

Table 17 summarises revisions to goods and services on a balance of payments basis, in original current price terms, since the last issue of this publication, for the last three financial years and last six months. In original terms, the revisions have:

- decreased the surplus on goods and services for July 2010 by \$139m
- decreased the deficit on goods and services for 2009–10 by \$814m.

Seasonally adjusted and trend series have been revised due to the incorporation of revised estimates, the incorporation of estimates for the latest month and the rederivation of seasonal factors under the concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology.

IRON ORE AND COAL PRICES

An adjustment has been made to the value of the 'metal ores and minerals' in the balance of payments series. See page 4 – *Commodity prices adjustment* for details.

CHANGES IN FORTHCOMING ISSUES

Country group

The September 2010 issue of this publication will introduce changes to the OECD country group with Chile and Slovenia now included as members. These countries will be included from the September 2010 reference month in the OECD data in Table 14 of this publication and time series spreadsheet tables 14a, 14b, 36a to 36j and 37a to 37h. These countries will be included in the OECD data for the complete merchandise trade time series (ie. date from January 1988).

Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates

The seasonally adjusted and trend estimates of goods and services will be revised in the September 2010 issue as a result of the annual seasonal re-analysis. This re-analysis reviews the seasonal and trading day factors in more detail than is possible in the quarterly processing cycle and assesses the appropriateness of any prior corrections.

Brian Pink
Australian Statistician

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COMMODITY PRICES ADJUSTMENT

PRICES ADJUSTMENT

International merchandise trade exports data (on a recorded trade basis) presented in tables 12-15 of this publication are based on information provided by exporters to the *Australian Customs and Border Protection Service* (Customs and Border Protection). At the time of initial reporting to Customs and Border Protection the final prices may not be known for some commodities. New contract prices that have been recently negotiated, or are still being negotiated, for commodities like iron ore and coal may not be fully reflected in the Customs and Border Protection source data. Final prices are updated progressively in recorded trade data as exporters revise the information provided to Customs and Border Protection. It is not yet known how the recent move from annual to quarterly contracts for some exporters will impact on the reporting of information.

A \$300m adjustment has been made to the value of the 'metal ores and minerals' in the balance of payments series for August 2010 to take into account additional information on the unit price of iron ore exports. There has been no adjustment applied to the coal, coke and briquettes component.

All price adjustments previously applied to the metal ores and minerals and coal, coke and briquettes components have been removed.

In the unadjusted recorded trade series, the unit price of metal ores and minerals decreased 11% between July and August 2010. In the equivalent adjusted balance of payments series, the unit price of metal ores and minerals decreased 6%.

TIME SERIES DATA

TIME SERIES DATA

Tables 1 to 16 of this publication are available free on the ABS website <www.abs.gov.au> from the Downloads tab of this issue with longer time series. A number of these tables present more detailed breakdowns than included in the publication and a number of additional tables are also available free on the ABS website.

Tables with more detailed breakdowns:

11a Services credits: Original - Quarter¹

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12b Merchandise exports by Standard International Trade Classification (3 digit), FOB Value

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TRADE IN SERVICES DATA CUBES

Trade in Services data cubes are usually updated on an annual basis. Calendar year (cat. no. 5368.0.55.004) statistics are updated in May and financial year (cat. no. 5368.0.55.003) statistics are updated in December.

The following tables were included in the calendar year data cubes:

- 1 International trade in services, credits, state by year
- 2 International trade in services, credits, year by state
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- 5 International trade in services, credits, year by country and service
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ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS

BALANCE ON GOODS AND SERVICES

The trend estimate of the balance on goods and services was a surplus of \$2,549m in August 2010, an increase of \$145m on the revised surplus in July 2010.

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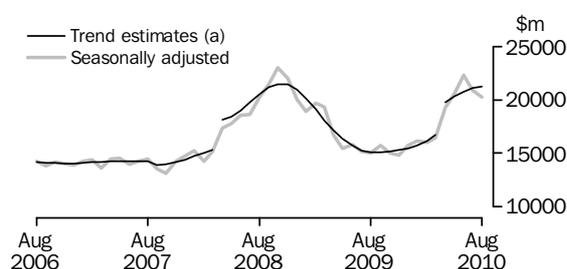
EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES

Between July 2010 and August 2010 the trend estimate of goods and services credits rose \$195m (1%) to \$25,703m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, goods and services credits fell \$608m (2%) to \$24,711m. Non-monetary gold fell \$401m (32%), non-rural goods fell \$145m (1%) and rural goods fell \$85m (3%). Services credits rose \$23m (1%).

Exports of goods

GOODS CREDITS



(a) Trend breaks of \$2,725m to April 2008 and \$2,200m to April 2010 have been applied.

RURAL GOODS

In trend terms, exports of rural goods rose \$58m (2%) to \$2,507m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, exports of rural goods fell \$85m (3%) to \$2,460m.

The main component contributing to the fall in the seasonally adjusted estimates was cereal grains and cereal preparations, down \$81m (15%).

NON-RURAL GOODS

In trend terms, exports of non-rural goods rose \$203m (1%) to \$17,495m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, exports of non-rural goods fell \$145m (1%) to \$16,942m.

The main component contributing to the fall in the seasonally adjusted estimates was metal ores and minerals, down \$646m (10%).

Partly offsetting this decrease were the following components:

- coal, coke and briquettes, up \$360m (10%)
- other non-rural (incl. sugar and beverages), up \$55m (5%)
- other mineral fuels, up \$46m (2%).

For price and volume details, see the *Selected commodities* table on page 11.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS *continued*

Exports of goods continued

NET EXPORTS OF GOODS UNDER MERCHANTING

In trend terms, net exports of goods under merchanting rose \$2m (8%) to \$28m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, net exports of goods under merchanting remained steady at \$27m.

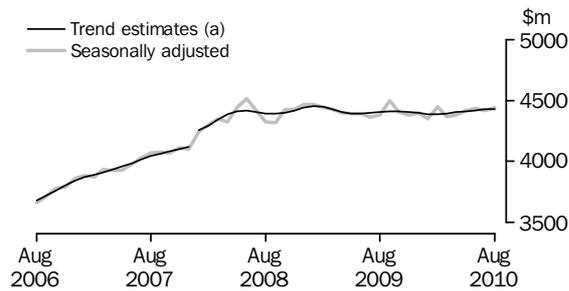
NON-MONETARY GOLD

In trend terms, exports of non-monetary gold fell \$71m (5%) to \$1,241m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, non-monetary gold fell \$401m (32%) to \$840m.

Exports of services

SERVICES CREDITS



(a) A trend break of \$106m has been applied to January 2008.

In trend terms, services credits rose \$4m to \$4,432m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, services credits rose \$23m (1%) to \$4,442m.

The main component contributing to the increase in the seasonally adjusted estimates was travel services, up \$22m (1%).

In seasonally adjusted terms, tourism related services credits rose \$22m (1%) to \$3,006m.

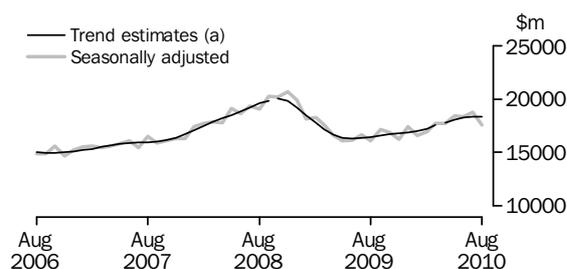
IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES

Between July 2010 and August 2010 the trend estimate of goods and services debits rose \$50m to \$23,154m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, goods and services debits fell \$1,211m (5%) to \$22,365m. Intermediate and other merchandise goods fell \$1,052m (12%), capital goods fell \$127m (3%) and non-monetary gold fell \$78m (22%). Consumption goods rose \$42m (1%). Services debits rose \$4m.

Imports of goods

GOODS DEBITS



(a) Trend breaks of \$167m to October 2008 and April 2010 have been applied.

CONSUMPTION GOODS

In trend terms, imports of consumption goods rose \$22m to \$5,565m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, imports of consumption goods rose \$42m (1%) to \$5,537m.

The main component contributing to the rise in the seasonally adjusted estimates was consumption goods n.e.s., up \$57m (3%).

Partly offsetting this increase was the non-industrial transport equipment component, down \$19m (1%).

CAPITAL GOODS

In trend terms, imports of capital goods rose \$13m to \$4,195m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, imports of capital goods fell \$127m (3%) to \$4,058m.

The components contributing to the fall in the seasonally adjusted estimates were:

- civil aircraft and confidentialised items, down \$180m (42%)
- machinery and industrial equipment, down \$76m (6%).

Partly offsetting these decreases was the telecommunications equipment component, up \$118m (21%).

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS *continued*

Imports of goods continued

INTERMEDIATE AND OTHER MERCHANDISE GOODS

In trend terms, imports of intermediate and other merchandise goods rose \$76m (1%) to \$8,191m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, imports of intermediate and other merchandise goods fell \$1,052m (12%) to \$7,719m.

The main components contributing to the fall in the seasonally adjusted estimates were:

- other merchandise goods, down \$457m (82%). The Department of Defence imported six super hornets in July 2010
- fuels and lubricants, down \$308m (13%)
- processed industrial supplies, down \$73m (4%)
- primary industrial supplies n.e.s., down \$70m (40%)
- iron and steel, down \$69m (17%).

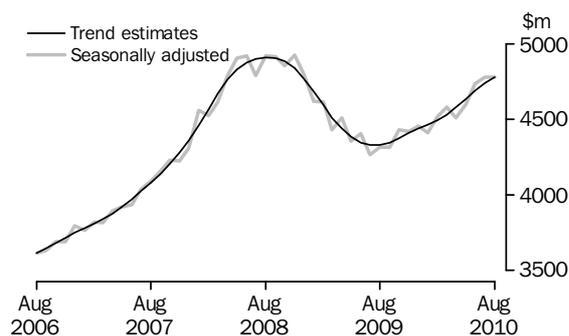
NON-MONETARY GOLD

In trend terms, imports of non-monetary gold fell \$100m (19%) to \$425m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, non-monetary gold fell \$78m (22%) to \$270m.

Imports of services

SERVICES DEBITS



In trend terms, services debits rose \$39m (1%) to \$4,779m.

In seasonally adjusted terms, services debits rose \$4m to \$4,781m.

The main component contributing to the rise in the seasonally adjusted estimates was travel services, up \$21m (1%).

Partly offsetting this increase was the transport services component, down \$18m (1%).

In seasonally adjusted terms, tourism related services debits rose \$38m (1%) to \$2,611m.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS *continued*

Selected commodities

SELECTED COMMODITIES, Price and volume analysis: **Recorded Trade Basis**

	<i>Mar</i> 2010	<i>Apr</i> 2010	<i>May</i> 2010	<i>Jun</i> 2010	<i>Jul</i> 2010	<i>Aug</i> 2010
	%	%	%	%	%	%
.....						
IRON ORE (a)						
Lump						
Volumes	12	-9	5	-4	2	-2
Price	-2	43	9	6	9	np
Fines						
Volumes	7	5	-3	11	-9	4
Price	—	38	13	5	5	np
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COAL						
Hard coking						
Volumes	1	41	2	9	-28	38
Price	5	12	13	5	—	-7
Semi-soft						
Volumes	-7	15	11	-3	-1	-11
Price	-3	28	20	9	-2	-4
Bituminous (Thermal)						
Volumes	-4	22	-9	15	4	3
Price	-1	3	12	5	-2	-2

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

np not available for publication but included in totals where applicable, unless otherwise indicated

(a) The equivalent Balance of Payments series includes adjustments which impact on percentage change of prices for August 2010. For more information see Commodity prices adjustment on page 4.

Between July and August 2010 exports of hard coking coal increased \$466m (28%) on a recorded trade basis. Exports to China increased \$243m (481%) and to India increased \$179m (45%). This partially reversed the decrease of \$629m (28%) between June and July 2010.

GOODS AND SERVICES(a), Summary—Seasonally Adjusted and Trend Estimates

	Sep 2009	Oct 2009	Nov 2009	Dec 2009	Jan 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	May 2010	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010
	\$m											
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
BALANCE												
On goods and services	-1 259	-1 847	-1 410	-1 816	-529	-1 040	-1 504	1 403	2 041	3 620	1 743	2 346
CREDITS												
Total goods and services	20 212	19 426	19 221	20 109	20 494	20 444	20 784	23 610	25 019	26 716	25 319	24 711
Total goods	15 716	15 021	14 842	15 713	16 147	15 994	16 414	19 231	20 603	22 279	20 900	20 269
Rural goods(b)	2 013	1 853	1 976	2 090	2 114	2 159	2 176	2 064	2 320	2 436	2 545	2 460
Non-rural goods(b)	12 288	12 002	11 730	12 538	12 780	12 928	13 019	15 983	16 327	18 360	17 087	16 942
Net exports of goods under merchandise(c)	37	10	10	10	13	13	11	24	24	23	27	27
Non-monetary gold(c)	1 378	1 156	1 125	1 075	1 240	894	1 209	1 161	1 932	1 460	1 241	840
Total services	4 496	4 404	4 379	4 396	4 348	4 450	4 369	4 379	4 415	4 437	4 419	4 442
DEBITS												
Total goods and services	-21 470	-21 273	-20 631	-21 925	-21 023	-21 484	-22 288	-22 207	-22 978	-23 096	-23 576	-22 365
Total goods	-17 153	-16 845	-16 212	-17 469	-16 612	-16 966	-17 711	-17 700	-18 377	-18 365	-18 799	-17 584
Consumption goods	-5 089	-5 016	-5 060	-4 970	-5 093	-5 354	-5 178	-5 342	-5 544	-5 564	-5 495	-5 537
Capital goods	-4 028	-4 098	-3 751	-4 063	-3 953	-3 950	-4 082	-3 929	-4 334	-4 163	-4 185	-4 058
Intermediate and other merchandise goods	-7 299	-7 058	-6 960	-7 770	-7 215	-7 195	-7 857	-7 534	-7 642	-8 012	-8 771	-7 719
Non-monetary gold(c)	-737	-672	-441	-665	-351	-467	-594	-894	-857	-626	-348	-270
Total services	-4 317	-4 428	-4 419	-4 456	-4 411	-4 518	-4 577	-4 507	-4 601	-4 732	-4 777	-4 781
TREND ESTIMATES (d)												
BALANCE												
On goods and services	-1 445	-1 477	-1 455	-1 402	-1 302	-1 169	-1 010	1 829	2 048	2 253	2 404	2 549
CREDITS												
Total goods and services	19 502	19 605	19 721	19 880	20 152	20 579	21 124	24 190	24 741	25 192	25 508	25 703
Total goods	15 093	15 195	15 317	15 484	15 763	16 192	16 732	19 789	20 331	20 773	21 080	21 271
Rural goods(b)	2 008	1 989	1 998	2 027	2 068	2 115	2 169	2 230	2 301	2 378	2 449	2 507
Non-rural goods(b)(e)	11 992	12 063	12 177	12 336	12 573	12 900	13 289	16 194	16 622	17 000	17 292	17 495
Net exports of goods under merchandise	27	21	15	11	10	12	16	19	22	24	26	28
Non-monetary gold	1 066	1 122	1 127	1 109	1 111	1 164	1 257	1 346	1 386	1 371	1 312	1 241
Total services	4 409	4 410	4 404	4 396	4 388	4 387	4 392	4 401	4 410	4 419	4 428	4 432
DEBITS												
Total goods and services	-20 947	-21 082	-21 176	-21 282	-21 454	-21 748	-22 134	-22 361	-22 693	-22 939	-23 104	-23 154
Total goods	-16 603	-16 709	-16 768	-16 842	-16 988	-17 254	-17 604	-17 783	-18 060	-18 250	-18 364	-18 376
Consumption goods	-5 045	-5 033	-5 035	-5 062	-5 122	-5 203	-5 292	-5 377	-5 448	-5 502	-5 543	-5 565
Capital goods(f)	-3 928	-3 967	-3 965	-3 955	-3 971	-4 026	-4 111	-4 025	-4 098	-4 150	-4 182	-4 195
Intermediate and other merchandise goods	-7 083	-7 146	-7 217	-7 290	-7 357	-7 442	-7 555	-7 697	-7 847	-7 992	-8 115	-8 191
Non-monetary gold	-547	-563	-551	-535	-537	-583	-647	-683	-667	-607	-525	-425
Total services	-4 345	-4 373	-4 408	-4 439	-4 466	-4 493	-4 530	-4 579	-4 633	-4 688	-4 740	-4 779
(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes.												
(b) For all time periods, estimates for sugar, sugar preparations and honey are included in Non-rural goods.												
(c) This component is not seasonally adjusted.												
(d) Caution should be used when interpreting recent trend estimates as they may be affected by unusual economic factors. For more details on trend estimates, please see paragraph 19 of the explanatory notes.												
(e) A trend break of \$2,200m has been applied to Non-rural goods credits and related aggregates in April 2010. This trend break will be reassessed in a future issue.												
(f) A trend break of \$167m has been applied to Capital goods debits and related aggregates in April 2010. This trend break will be reassessed in a future issue.												

GOODS AND SERVICES (a), Summary—Original

	Sep 2009	Oct 2009	Nov 2009	Dec 2009	Jan 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	May 2010	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010
	\$m											
BALANCE												
On goods and services	-2 341	-2 391	-2 523	-1 717	-1 325	90	-1 348	1 793	3 400	3 197	1 753	2 902
CREDITS												
Total goods and services	20 343	20 436	19 036	20 915	18 928	19 509	21 302	23 128	25 182	26 007	25 597	25 212
Total goods	16 021	15 836	14 625	16 561	14 699	14 970	16 780	18 651	20 855	21 899	21 130	20 697
Rural goods(b)	1 985	1 898	1 911	2 204	1 863	2 100	2 362	2 051	2 505	2 419	2 527	2 377
Non-rural goods(b)	12 621	12 772	11 579	13 272	11 583	11 963	13 198	15 415	16 394	17 997	17 335	17 453
Net exports of goods under merchanting	37	10	10	10	13	13	11	24	24	23	27	27
Non-monetary gold	1 378	1 156	1 125	1 075	1 240	894	1 209	1 161	1 932	1 460	1 241	840
Total services	4 322	4 600	4 411	4 354	4 229	4 539	4 522	4 477	4 327	4 108	4 467	4 515
DEBITS												
Total goods and services	-22 684	-22 827	-21 559	-22 632	-20 253	-19 419	-22 650	-21 335	-21 782	-22 810	-23 844	-22 310
Total goods	-18 027	-18 137	-17 288	-17 912	-15 619	-15 528	-18 291	-16 938	-17 460	-18 040	-18 837	-17 573
Consumption goods	-5 568	-5 783	-5 598	-5 070	-4 598	-4 867	-5 189	-4 879	-5 078	-5 375	-5 611	-5 601
Capital goods	-4 183	-4 263	-4 177	-4 266	-3 603	-3 467	-4 301	-3 766	-4 196	-4 222	-4 106	-4 020
Intermediate and other merchandise goods	-7 539	-7 419	-7 072	-7 911	-7 067	-6 727	-8 207	-7 399	-7 329	-7 817	-8 772	-7 682
Non-monetary gold	-737	-672	-441	-665	-351	-467	-594	-894	-857	-626	-348	-270
Total services	-4 657	-4 690	-4 271	-4 720	-4 634	-3 891	-4 359	-4 397	-4 322	-4 770	-5 007	-4 737

(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) For all time periods, estimates for sugar, sugar preparations and honey are included in Non-rural goods.

							2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST		Change %
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010	2009	2010	
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
Total goods credits	182 952	231 564	201 576	21 899	21 130	20 697	30 679	41 827	36.3
General merchandise	170 471	213 755	187 024	20 416	19 862	19 830	28 932	39 692	37.2
<i>Rural goods(a)</i>	25 494	29 383	25 512	2 419	2 527	2 377	4 214	4 904	16.4
Meat and meat preparations	6 542	7 454	6 350	644	612	580	1 075	1 192	10.9
Cereal grains and cereal preparations	4 975	6 881	5 268	393	532	453	973	985	1.2
Wool and sheepskins	2 796	2 322	2 307	223	197	125	233	322	38.2
Other rural(a)	11 181	12 726	11 587	1 159	1 186	1 219	1 933	2 405	24.4
<i>Non-rural goods(a)</i>	144 977	184 372	161 512	17 997	17 335	17 453	24 718	34 788	40.7
Metal ores and minerals	41 339	52 015	53 513	7 052	6 429	6 163	7 380	12 592	70.6
Coal, coke and briquettes	24 599	54 957	36 558	4 474	3 819	4 186	5 899	8 005	35.7
Other mineral fuels	18 889	20 707	18 967	1 956	2 310	2 174	2 908	4 484	54.2
Metals (excl. non-monetary gold)	14 039	12 394	10 725	907	1 054	1 028	1 713	2 082	21.5
Machinery	8 750	8 900	7 977	714	754	804	1 357	1 558	14.8
Transport equipment	5 723	5 090	4 073	338	306	342	671	648	-3.4
Other manufactures	16 965	17 601	16 375	1 444	1 394	1 406	2 883	2 800	-2.9
Other non-rural (incl. sugar and beverages)	13 126	11 077	11 935	985	1 140	1 219	1 699	2 359	38.8
Goods procured in ports by carriers	1 547	1 631	1 389	127	129	131	208	260	25.0
Net exports of goods under merchanting	209	301	251	23	27	27	76	54	-28.9
Goods acquired under merchanting (negative exports)	-1 528	-2 386	-1 802	-151	-149	-149	-248	-298	-20.2
Goods sold under merchanting	1 737	2 687	2 053	174	176	176	324	352	8.6
Non-monetary gold	12 272	17 508	14 301	1 460	1 241	840	1 671	2 081	24.5

(a) For all time periods, estimates for sugar, sugar preparations and honey are included in Other non-rural.

GOODS DEBITS(a), Original

							2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST		Change
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010	2009	2010	
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
Total goods debits	-204 846	-222 378	-206 000	-18 040	-18 837	-17 573	-32 760	-36 410	-11.1
General merchandise	-197 253	-210 856	-198 886	-17 414	-18 489	-17 303	-31 950	-35 792	-12.0
Consumption goods	-59 371	-61 419	-62 334	-5 375	-5 611	-5 601	-10 329	-11 212	-8.5
Food and beverages, mainly for consumption	-7 840	-8 857	-8 712	-713	-771	-767	-1 501	-1 538	-2.5
Household electrical items	-5 051	-5 488	-5 504	-446	-442	-428	-1 019	-870	14.6
Non-industrial transport equipment	-16 872	-13 247	-16 289	-1 542	-1 502	-1 325	-2 169	-2 827	-30.3
Textiles, clothing and footwear	-7 051	-8 287	-7 514	-605	-741	-774	-1 378	-1 515	-9.9
Toys, books and leisure goods	-4 561	-5 277	-4 675	-402	-364	-413	-863	-777	10.0
Consumption goods n.e.s.	-17 996	-20 263	-19 640	-1 667	-1 791	-1 894	-3 399	-3 685	-8.4
Capital goods	-45 299	-51 572	-48 034	-4 222	-4 106	-4 020	-7 590	-8 126	-7.1
Machinery and industrial equipment	-16 480	-18 488	-15 566	-1 357	-1 321	-1 296	-2 629	-2 617	0.5
ADP equipment	-7 074	-7 257	-7 634	-780	-759	-718	-1 248	-1 477	-18.3
Telecommunications equipment	-5 790	-6 431	-6 051	-512	-507	-636	-934	-1 143	-22.4
Civil aircraft and confidentialised items(b)	-2 691	-5 524	-5 058	-438	-426	-246	-663	-672	-1.4
Industrial transport equipment n.e.s.	-7 502	-6 527	-6 804	-677	-692	-628	-842	-1 320	-56.8
Capital goods n.e.s.	-5 762	-7 345	-6 921	-458	-401	-496	-1 274	-897	29.6
Intermediate and other merchandise goods	-92 583	-97 865	-88 518	-7 817	-8 772	-7 682	-14 031	-16 454	-17.3
Food and beverages, mainly for industry	-923	-1 186	-1 035	-91	-96	-98	-199	-194	2.5
Primary industrial supplies n.e.s.	-1 477	-1 901	-1 348	-115	-176	-103	-203	-279	-37.4
Fuels and lubricants	-29 772	-28 213	-26 580	-2 458	-2 419	-2 111	-4 220	-4 530	-7.3
Parts for transport equipment	-8 837	-8 599	-8 222	-705	-772	-722	-1 213	-1 494	-23.2
Parts for ADP equipment	-1 115	-1 067	-973	-98	-86	-84	-168	-170	-1.2
Other parts for capital goods	-11 990	-14 312	-13 748	-1 205	-1 263	-1 207	-2 253	-2 470	-9.6
Organic and inorganic chemicals	-4 673	-5 384	-4 355	-360	-426	-450	-704	-876	-24.4
Paper and paperboard	-2 359	-2 403	-2 299	-198	-213	-229	-361	-442	-22.4
Textile yarn and fabrics	-1 334	-1 344	-1 170	-96	-104	-107	-212	-211	0.5
Iron and steel	-3 721	-5 528	-3 258	-308	-415	-329	-558	-744	-33.3
Plastics	-3 064	-3 028	-2 733	-244	-267	-263	-439	-530	-20.7
Processed industrial supplies n.e.s.	-20 132	-21 919	-20 032	-1 742	-1 859	-1 760	-3 128	-3 619	-15.7
Other merchandise goods(b)	-1 415	-1 401	-1 397	-83	-558	-101	-137	-659	-381.0
Goods procured in ports by carriers	-1 771	-1 580	-1 368	-114	-118	-118	-236	-236	—
Non-monetary gold	-7 593	-11 522	-7 114	-626	-348	-270	-810	-618	23.7

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) From July 2008, commodities subject to a 'no commodity details' or 'no value details' restriction are included in Civil aircraft and confidentialised items, and for earlier periods are included in Other merchandise goods.

GOODS CREDITS, Seasonally Adjusted

	Nov 2009	Dec 2009	Jan 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	May 2010	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010
	\$m									
Total goods credits	14 842	15 713	16 147	15 994	16 414	19 231	20 603	22 279	20 900	20 269
General merchandise	13 707	14 628	14 894	15 087	15 194	18 046	18 647	20 796	19 632	19 402
<i>Rural goods</i>	1 976	2 090	2 114	2 159	2 176	2 064	2 320	2 436	2 545	2 460
Meat and meat preparations	477	501	500	489	518	558	589	626	613	605
Cereal grains and cereal preparations	410	408	462	415	470	379	474	435	527	446
Wool and sheepskins	211	187	193	204	210	203	198	224	224	223
Other rural (a)	878	994	959	1 051	978	924	1 060	1 151	1 181	1 186
<i>Non-rural goods</i>	11 730	12 538	12 780	12 928	13 019	15 983	16 327	18 360	17 087	16 942
Metal ores and minerals	3 768	3 755	4 078	4 298	4 344	5 863	5 988	7 230	6 588	5 942
Coal, coke and briquettes(b)	2 565	2 950	2 833	2 585	2 319	3 455	3 844	4 539	3 750	4 110
Other mineral fuels(c)	1 369	1 513	1 480	1 628	1 893	2 028	1 800	2 028	2 029	2 075
Metals (excl. non-monetary gold)(c)	714	933	912	871	913	1 038	1 001	939	1 021	992
Machinery	640	640	645	664	667	667	718	716	735	772
Transport equipment	337	308	334	377	376	348	349	362	311	320
Other manufactures	1 336	1 339	1 336	1 344	1 366	1 342	1 390	1 430	1 363	1 391
Other non-rural (incl. sugar and beverages)	893	982	1 043	1 042	1 021	1 120	1 104	984	1 157	1 212
Goods procured in ports by carriers(c)	109	118	119	119	119	122	133	130	133	128
Net exports of goods under merchanting(d)	10	10	13	13	11	24	24	23	27	27
Non-monetary gold(d)	1 125	1 075	1 240	894	1 209	1 161	1 932	1 460	1 241	840

(a) For all time periods, estimates for sugar, sugar preparations and honey are included in Other non-rural.

(b) Only a length-of-month adjustment has been applied to this component.

(c) In using these seasonally adjusted series, care should be exercised because of the difficulties associated with reliably estimating the seasonal pattern.

(d) This component is not seasonally adjusted.

GOODS DEBITS(a), Seasonally Adjusted

	Nov 2009	Dec 2009	Jan 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	May 2010	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010
	\$m									
Total goods debits	-16 212	-17 469	-16 612	-16 966	-17 711	-17 700	-18 377	-18 365	-18 799	-17 584
General merchandise	-15 771	-16 804	-16 261	-16 499	-17 117	-16 806	-17 520	-17 739	-18 451	-17 314
<i>Consumption goods</i>	-5 060	-4 970	-5 093	-5 354	-5 178	-5 342	-5 544	-5 564	-5 495	-5 537
Food and beverages, mainly for consumption	-691	-716	-706	-688	-716	-692	-742	-774	-786	-780
Household electrical items	-469	-464	-434	-436	-390	-414	-512	-464	-441	-432
Non-industrial transport equipment	-1 335	-1 334	-1 353	-1 536	-1 484	-1 594	-1 515	-1 484	-1 438	-1 419
Textiles, clothing and footwear	-579	-500	-635	-644	-640	-639	-684	-699	-707	-720
Toys, books and leisure goods	-386	-359	-352	-379	-370	-383	-382	-404	-375	-380
Consumption goods n.e.s.	-1 601	-1 597	-1 613	-1 670	-1 578	-1 620	-1 709	-1 739	-1 749	-1 806
<i>Capital goods</i>	-3 751	-4 063	-3 953	-3 950	-4 082	-3 929	-4 334	-4 163	-4 185	-4 058
Machinery and industrial equipment	-1 342	-1 226	-1 129	-1 359	-1 262	-1 307	-1 424	-1 390	-1 353	-1 277
ADP equipment	-561	-595	-640	-664	-649	-658	-768	-696	-752	-733
Telecommunications equipment	-486	-503	-498	-432	-500	-521	-551	-529	-567	-685
Civil aircraft and confidentialised items(b)(c)	-236	-596	-540	-235	-380	-272	-438	-438	-426	-246
Industrial transport equipment n.e.s.	-533	-550	-544	-626	-671	-698	-697	-655	-651	-639
Capital goods n.e.s.	-593	-594	-602	-634	-620	-473	-455	-455	-436	-478
<i>Intermediate and other merchandise goods</i>	-6 960	-7 770	-7 215	-7 195	-7 857	-7 534	-7 642	-8 012	-8 771	-7 719
Food and beverages, mainly for industry	-81	-87	-65	-84	-102	-89	-83	-93	-92	-97
Primary industrial supplies n.e.s.(d)	-113	-125	-98	-122	-127	-134	-128	-119	-173	-103
Fuels and lubricants(c)	-2 106	-2 626	-1 916	-2 055	-2 267	-2 488	-2 177	-2 458	-2 419	-2 111
Parts for transport equipment	-623	-673	-727	-704	-700	-670	-748	-726	-766	-718
Parts for ADP equipment	-76	-79	-93	-90	-75	-81	-84	-86	-86	-88
Other parts for capital goods	-1 086	-1 236	-1 181	-1 105	-1 199	-982	-1 152	-1 189	-1 252	-1 234
Organic and inorganic chemicals	-380	-369	-357	-340	-393	-316	-405	-388	-448	-428
Paper and paperboard	-186	-193	-196	-197	-192	-208	-205	-220	-209	-215
Textile yarn and fabrics	-94	-92	-95	-100	-93	-94	-95	-99	-104	-102
Iron and steel	-223	-254	-250	-294	-299	-301	-344	-343	-401	-332
Plastics	-214	-218	-220	-233	-240	-243	-248	-258	-266	-265
Processed industrial supplies n.e.s.	-1 597	-1 629	-1 707	-1 691	-1 704	-1 734	-1 782	-1 836	-1 879	-1 806
Other merchandise goods(b)(e)	-69	-81	-195	-66	-348	-84	-80	-83	-558	-101
Goods procured in ports by carriers(c)	-111	-109	-114	-114	-116	-111	-111	-114	-118	-118
Non-monetary gold(c)	-441	-665	-351	-467	-594	-894	-857	-626	-348	-270

(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) From July 2008, commodities subject to a 'no commodity details' or 'no value details' restriction are included in Civil aircraft and confidentialised items, and for earlier periods are included in Other merchandise goods.

(c) This component is not seasonally adjusted.

(d) In using these seasonally adjusted series, care should be exercised because of the difficulties associated with reliably estimating the seasonal pattern.

(e) From July 1981, this component is not seasonally adjusted.

GOODS CREDITS(a), Trend Estimates

	Nov 2009	Dec 2009	Jan 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	May 2010	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010
	\$m									
Total goods credits	15 317	15 484	15 763	16 192	16 732	19 789	20 331	20 773	21 080	21 271
General merchandise	14 175	14 363	14 642	15 016	15 458	18 424	18 923	19 377	19 741	20 002
<i>Rural goods</i>	1 998	2 027	2 068	2 115	2 169	2 230	2 301	2 378	2 449	2 507
Meat and meat preparations	491	487	492	508	531	556	579	600	615	626
Cereal grains and cereal preparations	411	414	421	428	436	442	449	458	467	476
Wool and sheepskins	188	195	199	201	203	206	211	216	220	223
Other rural(b)	908	932	956	978	1 000	1 026	1 061	1 104	1 147	1 182
<i>Non-rural goods</i>	12 177	12 336	12 573	12 900	13 289	16 194	16 622	17 000	17 292	17 495
Metal ores and minerals(c)	3 745	3 850	3 997	4 202	4 435	6 004	6 233	6 401	6 503	6 544
Coal, coke and briquettes(d)	2 771	2 711	2 644	2 588	2 565	3 743	3 819	3 926	4 028	4 125
Other mineral fuels	1 412	1 485	1 579	1 686	1 788	1 877	1 945	1 998	2 040	2 065
Metals (excl. non-monetary gold)	851	865	887	915	943	966	981	992	1 001	1 007
Machinery	644	644	649	656	668	685	703	721	739	754
Transport equipment	332	336	344	354	359	358	352	342	333	322
Other manufactures	1 340	1 337	1 340	1 347	1 357	1 369	1 379	1 387	1 393	1 396
Other non-rural (incl. sugar and beverages)	970	994	1 016	1 034	1 050	1 067	1 083	1 102	1 125	1 149
Goods procured in ports by carriers	112	114	117	120	122	125	127	130	131	132
Net exports of goods under merchanting	15	11	10	12	16	19	22	24	26	28
Non-monetary gold	1 127	1 109	1 111	1 164	1 257	1 346	1 386	1 371	1 312	1 241

(a) Caution should be used when interpreting recent trend estimates as they may be affected by unusual economic factors. For more details on trend estimates, please see paragraph 19 of the explanatory notes.

(b) For all time periods, estimates for sugar, sugar preparations and honey are included in Other non-rural.

(c) An estimated trend correction of \$1,200m has been applied to Metal ores and minerals and related aggregates in April 2010. This trend break will be reassessed in a future issue.

(d) An estimated trend correction of \$1,000m has been applied to Coal, coke and briquettes and related aggregates in April 2010. This trend break will be reassessed in a future issue.

	Nov 2009	Dec 2009	Jan 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	May 2010	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010
	\$m									
Total goods debits	-16 768	-16 842	-16 988	-17 254	-17 604	-17 783	-18 060	-18 250	-18 364	-18 376
General merchandise	-16 217	-16 308	-16 450	-16 671	-16 957	-17 100	-17 393	-17 643	-17 839	-17 950
<i>Consumption goods</i>	-5 035	-5 062	-5 122	-5 203	-5 292	-5 377	-5 448	-5 502	-5 543	-5 565
Food and beverages, mainly for consumption	-714	-703	-698	-699	-708	-722	-739	-757	-773	-787
Household electrical items	-450	-439	-432	-431	-435	-440	-447	-453	-455	-454
Non-industrial transport equipment	-1 311	-1 365	-1 422	-1 472	-1 505	-1 519	-1 512	-1 493	-1 470	-1 441
Textiles, clothing and footwear	-579	-581	-595	-616	-639	-661	-678	-692	-704	-716
Toys, books and leisure goods	-378	-370	-367	-369	-374	-380	-384	-386	-386	-385
Consumption goods n.e.s.	-1 603	-1 604	-1 609	-1 616	-1 631	-1 656	-1 687	-1 721	-1 753	-1 781
<i>Capital goods</i>	-3 965	-3 955	-3 971	-4 026	-4 111	-4 025	-4 098	-4 150	-4 182	-4 195
Machinery and industrial equipment	-1 252	-1 242	-1 248	-1 270	-1 301	-1 332	-1 353	-1 361	-1 359	-1 343
ADP equipment	-587	-599	-620	-645	-669	-690	-708	-723	-736	-745
Telecommunications equipment	-490	-483	-481	-483	-492	-510	-535	-563	-592	-621
Civil aircraft and confidentialised items(c)	-514	-482	-431	-387	-368	-368	-370	-373	-371	-373
Industrial transport equipment n.e.s.	-530	-556	-588	-622	-651	-670	-675	-673	-666	-654
Capital goods n.e.s.(d)	-591	-593	-603	-619	-630	-456	-457	-457	-458	-458
<i>Intermediate and other merchandise goods</i>	-7 217	-7 290	-7 357	-7 442	-7 555	-7 697	-7 847	-7 992	-8 115	-8 191
Food and beverages, mainly for industry	-80	-80	-82	-84	-87	-89	-91	-92	-93	-93
Primary industrial supplies n.e.s.	-105	-109	-114	-119	-125	-129	-132	-133	-134	-132
Fuels and lubricants	-2 165	-2 174	-2 191	-2 219	-2 250	-2 290	-2 322	-2 339	-2 342	-2 313
Parts for transport equipment	-686	-688	-689	-694	-704	-714	-721	-729	-736	-742
Parts for ADP equipment	-78	-81	-83	-85	-84	-83	-83	-84	-85	-87
Other parts for capital goods	-1 161	-1 163	-1 153	-1 137	-1 125	-1 127	-1 143	-1 170	-1 200	-1 230
Organic and inorganic chemicals	-362	-362	-360	-358	-360	-370	-385	-401	-417	-431
Paper and paperboard	-188	-191	-194	-196	-200	-204	-207	-211	-214	-216
Textile yarn and fabrics	-97	-96	-95	-94	-95	-96	-97	-99	-100	-102
Iron and steel	-233	-242	-257	-277	-299	-318	-334	-348	-359	-365
Plastics	-216	-219	-224	-230	-237	-244	-251	-257	-262	-266
Processed industrial supplies n.e.s.	-1 621	-1 643	-1 666	-1 692	-1 722	-1 753	-1 784	-1 811	-1 834	-1 852
Other merchandise goods(c)	-110	-129	-138	-144	-153	-167	-183	-203	-223	-244
Goods procured in ports by carriers	-115	-113	-112	-112	-113	-113	-114	-115	-116	-117
Non-monetary gold	-551	-535	-537	-583	-647	-683	-667	-607	-525	-425

(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Caution should be used when interpreting recent trend estimates as they may be affected by unusual economic factors. For more details on trend estimates, please see paragraph 19 of the explanatory notes.

(c) From July 2008, commodities subject to a 'no commodity details' or 'no value details' restriction are included in Civil aircraft and confidentialised items, and for earlier periods are included in Other merchandise goods.

(d) An estimated trend correction of \$167m has been applied to Capital goods n.e.s. and related aggregates in April 2010. This trend break will be reassessed in a future issue.

							2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST		Change %
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010	2009	2010	
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
Services credits	50 645	52 873	52 755	4 108	4 467	4 515	8 866	8 982	1.3
Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others	77	258	284	13	17	15	52	32	-38.5
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e.	103	86	57	3	6	4	14	10	-28.6
Transport	9 129	7 342	6 189	483	538	526	1 024	1 064	3.9
Passenger(c)	4 118	3 410	2 610	184	228	216	414	444	7.2
Freight	1 463	851	436	45	41	41	74	82	10.8
Other	2 595	2 127	2 187	184	186	186	348	372	6.9
Postal and courier services(d)	953	954	956	70	83	83	188	166	-11.7
Travel	28 252	31 096	33 435	2 482	2 821	2 880	5 691	5 701	0.2
Other services	13 084	14 091	12 790	1 127	1 085	1 090	2 085	2 175	4.3
Services debits	-53 330	-56 172	-53 482	-4 770	-5 007	-4 737	-8 771	-9 744	-11.1
Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others	-7	-4	-6	—	-2	-1	-1	-3	-200.0
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e.	-97	-193	-292	-28	-31	-23	-35	-54	-54.3
Transport	-16 797	-15 832	-13 719	-1 294	-1 273	-1 212	-2 045	-2 485	-21.5
Passenger(c)	-7 278	-5 835	-5 118	-510	-472	-454	-771	-926	-20.1
Freight	-8 923	-9 386	-8 134	-756	-773	-730	-1 174	-1 503	-28.0
Other	-417	-437	-309	-22	-21	-21	-56	-42	25.0
Postal and courier services(d)	-179	-174	-158	-6	-7	-7	-44	-14	68.2
Travel	-20 153	-22 082	-23 314	-2 088	-2 377	-2 178	-4 062	-4 555	-12.1
Other services	-16 276	-18 061	-16 151	-1 360	-1 324	-1 323	-2 628	-2 647	-0.7
Memorandum items:									
Tourism related service credits(e)	32 370	34 506	36 045	2 666	3 049	3 096	6 105	6 145	0.7
Tourism related service debits(e)	-27 431	-27 917	-28 432	-2 598	-2 849	-2 632	-4 833	-5 481	-13.4

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(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) For more detailed trade in services components, see table 11.

(c) Passenger services includes agency fees and commissions for air transport.

(d) Postal and courier services includes indirect commissions for sea transport.

(e) For a more detailed explanation of tourism related services, see paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes.

	Nov 2009	Dec 2009	Jan 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	May 2010	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010
	\$m									
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED										
Services credits	4 379	4 396	4 348	4 450	4 369	4 379	4 415	4 437	4 419	4 442
Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others(b)	28	27	27	24	24	24	13	13	17	15
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e.(b)	4	5	5	4	4	3	3	3	6	4
Transport	532	530	520	515	507	506	514	520	521	522
Passenger(c)	223	220	220	219	216	206	218	220	226	226
Freight(d)	33	32	34	34	33	42	41	40	44	41
Other(d)	189	191	185	183	181	183	182	186	182	186
Postal and courier services(e)	87	87	81	79	78	75	73	74	69	69
Travel	2 769	2 788	2 760	2 864	2 788	2 760	2 786	2 795	2 758	2 780
Other services	1 046	1 047	1 036	1 043	1 046	1 087	1 099	1 106	1 117	1 121
Services debits	-4 419	-4 456	-4 411	-4 518	-4 577	-4 507	-4 601	-4 732	-4 777	-4 781
Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others(b)	—	-2	-1	-1	—	—	—	—	-2	-1
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e.(b)	-22	-32	-16	-53	-20	-16	-33	-28	-31	-23
Transport	-1 098	-1 139	-1 137	-1 180	-1 231	-1 206	-1 241	-1 298	-1 282	-1 264
Passenger(c)	-428	-442	-440	-448	-475	-448	-433	-456	-453	-472
Freight	-628	-655	-653	-689	-715	-730	-780	-814	-803	-767
Other(b)	-26	-26	-26	-26	-27	-23	-23	-22	-21	-21
Postal and courier services(e)	-17	-17	-17	-17	-14	-5	-6	-6	-5	-5
Travel	-1 938	-1 926	-1 917	-1 938	-1 973	-1 940	-1 990	-2 074	-2 119	-2 140
Other services	-1 361	-1 356	-1 340	-1 345	-1 353	-1 345	-1 336	-1 331	-1 343	-1 353
Memorandum items:										
Tourism related service credits(f)	2 992	3 007	2 980	3 083	3 004	2 966	3 003	3 015	2 984	3 006
Tourism related service debits(f)	-2 365	-2 369	-2 357	-2 386	-2 448	-2 387	-2 423	-2 531	-2 573	-2 611

TREND ESTIMATES

Services credits	4 404	4 396	4 388	4 387	4 392	4 401	4 410	4 419	4 428	4 432
Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others	27	27	27	25	23	20	18	16	15	14
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e.	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Transport	527	526	522	516	512	512	514	516	519	522
Passenger(c)	221	221	219	217	215	215	217	219	222	225
Freight	33	33	33	34	36	38	40	41	42	43
Other	187	188	187	185	183	183	183	184	184	185
Postal and courier services(e)	86	85	83	80	78	75	74	72	71	70
Travel	2 798	2 796	2 794	2 793	2 793	2 790	2 784	2 778	2 774	2 768
Other services	1 047	1 042	1 042	1 048	1 060	1 076	1 091	1 104	1 116	1 124
Services debits	-4 408	-4 439	-4 466	-4 493	-4 530	-4 579	-4 633	-4 688	-4 740	-4 779
Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others	-1	-1	-1	-1	—	—	—	-1	-1	-1
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e.	-24	-26	-28	-29	-29	-28	-27	-27	-27	-26
Transport	-1 107	-1 131	-1 156	-1 180	-1 205	-1 229	-1 249	-1 265	-1 278	-1 285
Passenger(c)	-423	-436	-446	-451	-452	-452	-452	-454	-456	-459
Freight	-641	-652	-667	-689	-716	-743	-767	-784	-796	-802
Other	-26	-26	-26	-26	-25	-24	-23	-22	-21	-21
Postal and courier services(e)	-17	-17	-16	-15	-12	-9	-7	-5	-4	-3
Travel	-1 930	-1 930	-1 930	-1 935	-1 951	-1 979	-2 016	-2 054	-2 092	-2 124
Other services	-1 347	-1 351	-1 352	-1 348	-1 345	-1 342	-1 341	-1 341	-1 342	-1 343
Memorandum items:										
Tourism related service credits(f)	3 019	3 017	3 013	3 010	3 008	3 005	3 001	2 998	2 996	2 993
Tourism related service debits(f)	-2 353	-2 366	-2 376	-2 387	-2 404	-2 431	-2 468	-2 508	-2 548	-2 583

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(a) For sign conventions, see paragraph 15 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) This component is not seasonally adjusted.

(c) Passenger services includes agency fees and commissions for air transport.

(d) In using these seasonally adjusted series, care should be exercised because of the difficulties associated with reliably estimating the seasonal pattern.

(e) Postal and courier services includes indirect commissions for sea transport.

(f) For a more detailed explanation of tourism related services, see paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes.

	CREDITS				DEBITS			
	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr
	2009	2009	2010	2010	2009	2009	2010	2010
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Services	13 188	13 365	13 290	12 912	-13 428	-13 681	-12 884	-13 489
Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others	72	87	75	50	-1	-3	-2	—
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e.	21	14	13	9	-55	-71	-89	-77
Transport	1 526	1 633	1 589	1 441	-3 204	-3 570	-3 378	-3 567
Passenger(b)	611	699	750	550	-1 212	-1 291	-1 271	-1 344
Freight	112	99	96	129	-1 841	-2 161	-1 993	-2 139
Other	521	589	527	550	-84	-78	-79	-68
Postal and courier services(c)	282	246	216	212	-67	-40	-35	-16
Travel	8 434	8 337	8 621	8 043	-6 220	-5 883	-5 450	-5 761
Business	693	663	733	719	-768	-695	-751	-792
Personal	7 741	7 674	7 888	7 324	-5 452	-5 188	-4 699	-4 969
Education-related	4 972	4 278	4 556	4 700	-263	-215	-219	-181
Other(d)	2 769	3 396	3 332	2 624	-5 189	-4 973	-4 480	-4 788
Construction	48	27	21	33	—	—	—	—
Insurance and pension services	77	74	63	80	-116	-118	-112	-112
Financial services	265	281	242	257	-163	-172	-177	-136
Charges for the use of intellectual property n.i.e.	217	250	267	262	-886	-911	-855	-977
Telecommunications, computer and information services	461	428	418	438	-509	-507	-496	-482
Telecommunication services	62	70	57	44	-122	-126	-135	-97
Computer and information services	399	358	361	394	-387	-381	-361	-385
Computer services	315	297	293	324	-326	-315	-296	-317
Information services	8	7	9	16	-5	-7	-7	-9
Other services	76	54	59	54	-56	-59	-58	-59
Other business services	1 663	1 844	1 561	1 887	-1 757	-1 909	-1 748	-1 844
Research and development services	129	147	113	126	-55	-64	-54	-66
Professional and management consulting services	771	831	695	789	-708	-825	-550	-603
Legal, accounting, management consulting, public relations and other professional services	683	736	614	709	-680	-785	-502	-553
Advertising, market research and public opinion polling	88	95	81	80	-28	-40	-48	-50
Technical, trade-related and other business services	763	866	753	972	-994	-1 020	-1 144	-1 175
Architectural, engineering and other technical services	384	410	385	498	-378	-442	-348	-470
Waste treatment and de-pollution, agricultural and mining services	52	53	62	69	-142	-150	-117	-122
Operational leasing services	96	115	94	82	-163	-172	-147	-146
Trade-related commission services	121	174	108	205	-50	-48	-44	-55
Other business services n.i.e.	110	114	104	118	-261	-208	-488	-382
Personal, cultural and recreational services	194	180	204	196	-295	-315	-355	-311
Audiovisual and related services	29	32	48	30	-265	-279	-292	-267
Other personal, cultural and recreational services	165	148	156	166	-30	-36	-63	-44
Government goods and services n.i.e.	210	210	216	216	-222	-222	-222	-222
Memorandum items:								
Gross insurance premiums receivable / payable	174	179	154	185	-222	-233	-225	-234
Gross insurance claims payable / receivable	-117	-121	-105	-132	240	250	245	252
Tourism related services(e)	9 045	9 036	9 371	8 593	-7 432	-7 174	-6 721	-7 105

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(b) Passenger services includes agency fees and commissions for air transport.

(c) Postal and courier services includes indirect commissions for sea transport.

(d) Other personal travel includes health-related travel.

(e) For a more detailed explanation of tourism related services, see paragraph 27 of the Explanatory Notes.

				Per cent of total merchandise exports(b)	2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST	
	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010		2009	2010
	\$m	\$m	\$m	%	\$m	\$m
MAJOR COMMODITIES (c)						
011 Meat of bovine animals	437	418	390	1.9	739	808
041 Wheat and meslin	286	392	327	1.6	702	719
281 Iron ore and concentrates	4 883	4 859	4 345	21.3	4 793	9 204
283 Copper ores and concentrates	603	394	291	1.4	578	685
285 Aluminium ores and concentrates	497	441	425	2.1	747	866
287 Ores and concentrates of base metals, n.e.s.	495	334	297	1.5	476	631
321 Coal, not agglomerated	4 451	3 808	4 158	20.4	5 884	7 966
333 Crude petroleum oils	890	1 192	846	4.2	1 289	2 038
343 Natural gas	878	951	1 123	5.5	1 246	2 074
542 Medicaments	290	275	260	1.3	668	535
682 Copper	220	342	290	1.4	424	632
684 Aluminium	303	418	369	1.8	665	786
781 Motor vehicles for transport of people	170	138	132	0.7	254	271
971 Gold, non-monetary	1 403	1 218	830	4.1	1 638	2 048

SECTION AND DIVISION OF THE SITC

0	Food and live animals					
00	Live animals (excl. fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates)	91	97	124	0.6	193 221
01	Meat and meat preparations	644	612	580	2.8	1 075 1 192
02	Dairy products and birds' eggs	191	184	186	0.9	323 369
03	Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	62	87	122	0.6	169 208
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	393	532	453	2.2	974 985
05	Vegetables and fruit	166	152	139	0.7	306 291
06	Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	21	36	35	0.2	57 71
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	23	27	31	0.2	54 59
08	Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals)	77	88	91	0.4	220 178
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	65	66	68	0.3	107 134
	<i>Total Food and live animals</i>	<i>1 733</i>	<i>1 881</i>	<i>1 827</i>	<i>9.0</i>	<i>3 478 3 708</i>
1	Beverages and tobacco					
11	Beverages	187	188	217	1.1	414 405
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	7	8	10	—	24 18
	<i>Total Beverages and tobacco</i>	<i>194</i>	<i>197</i>	<i>226</i>	<i>1.1</i>	<i>438 423</i>
2	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels					
21	Hides, skins and furskins, raw	66	64	71	0.3	78 135
22	Oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits	44	26	24	0.1	63 51
23	Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed)	1	2	2	—	2 3
24	Cork and wood	100	112	110	0.5	183 222
25	Pulp and waste paper	20	22	20	0.1	35 43
26	Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	403	394	292	1.4	307 686
27	Crude fertilizers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones)	30	27	37	0.2	36 63
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	7 022	6 403	5 826	28.6	7 265 12 229
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	19	18	17	0.1	37 35
	<i>Total Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</i>	<i>7 706</i>	<i>7 068</i>	<i>6 399</i>	<i>31.4</i>	<i>8 006 13 466</i>
3	Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials					
32	Coal, coke and briquettes	4 474	3 819	4 186	20.5	5 898 8 004
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	1 086	1 378	1 075	5.3	1 644 2 454
34	Gas, natural and manufactured	992	1 052	1 222	6.0	1 463 2 274
	<i>Total Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</i>	<i>6 551</i>	<i>6 249</i>	<i>6 483</i>	<i>31.8</i>	<i>9 005 12 732</i>

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	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010	Per cent of total merchandise exports(b)	2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST	
					2009	2010
					\$m	\$m
SECTION AND DIVISION OF THE SITC						
4	Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes					
41	28	20	29	0.1	38	49
42	18	19	13	0.1	30	32
43	Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable origin, n.e.s.					
	1	1	1	—	2	2
	<i>Total Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes</i>					
	47	40	42	0.2	70	83
5	Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.					
51	12	14	17	0.1	26	31
52	52	45	49	0.2	85	94
53	62	65	55	0.3	130	120
54	336	307	299	1.5	746	606
55	Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials, toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations					
	54	52	57	0.3	104	110
56	47	58	62	0.3	90	120
57	29	30	32	0.2	44	63
58	27	47	38	0.2	73	85
59	95	86	84	0.4	169	170
	<i>Total Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.</i>					
	714	706	694	3.4	1 468	1 399
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material					
61	26	23	27	0.1	42	50
62	15	18	17	0.1	30	35
63	11	17	13	0.1	25	31
64	77	76	73	0.4	116	149
65	23	24	25	0.1	51	49
66	68	43	46	0.2	107	89
67	126	77	119	0.6	126	196
68	781	977	909	4.5	1 586	1 885
69	90	84	97	0.5	199	181
	<i>Total Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</i>					
	1 216	1 339	1 327	6.5	2 282	2 666
7	Machinery and transport equipment					
71	64	78	80	0.4	122	159
72	167	148	210	1.0	329	358
73	11	11	13	0.1	20	24
74	General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.					
	150	158	169	0.8	299	327
75	112	126	107	0.5	156	234
76	Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment					
	77	83	82	0.4	153	165
77	Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, parts (incl. non electrical counterparts of electrical domestic equip)					
	133	148	141	0.7	276	288
78	266	233	257	1.3	403	490
79	71	74	84	0.4	268	158
	<i>Total Machinery and transport equipment</i>					
	1 051	1 059	1 144	5.6	2 026	2 202

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	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010	Per cent of total merchandise exports(b)	2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST	
					2009	2010
					\$m	\$m
SECTION AND DIVISION OF THE SITC						
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles					
81	Prefabricated buildings and sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	14	9	11	0.1	23 20
82	Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	7	7	7	—	16 14
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	2	3	2	—	5 5
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	15	19	22	0.1	41 41
85	Footwear	3	3	4	—	8 7
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	176	168	171	0.8	349 339
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s., watches and clocks	25	23	22	0.1	56 45
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	176	169	174	0.9	342 343
	<i>Total Miscellaneous manufactured articles</i>	419	401	413	2.0	841 814
9	Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC					
93	Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind	110	126	124	0.6	314 250
95	Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender	56	23	10	0.1	32 34
96	Coin (excl. gold coin) not being legal tender	—	—	—	—	— —
97	Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates)	1 403	1 218	830	4.1	1 638 2 048
98	Combined confidential items excl. some of SITC 280 (exports only) and some of SITCs 510 and 520 (imports only)	585	727	852	4.2	885 1 578
	<i>Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC</i>	2 155	2 094	1 815	8.9	2 869 3 910
	Total merchandise exports	21 786	21 034	20 369	100.0	30 483 41 403
	Balance of Payments Adjustments	113	96	328	. .	196 424
	Goods Credits (exports) on a Balance of Payments Basis	21 899	21 130	20 697	. .	30 679 41 827

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 (b) Per cent of total merchandise is calculated for the most recent month.

				Per cent of total merchandise imports(b)	2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST	
	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010		2009	2010
	\$m	\$m	\$m	%	\$m	\$m
MAJOR COMMODITIES (c)						
333 Crude petroleum oils	1 428	1 438	1 379	7.9	2 457	2 817
334 Refined petroleum oils	936	817	596	3.4	1 562	1 413
542 Medicaments	658	704	743	4.3	1 291	1 447
723 Civil engineering and contractors' plant and equipment	304	303	248	1.4	320	551
743 Air pumps, compressors or fans; hoods; centrifuges; filtering apparatus; parts	163	172	147	0.8	584	320
752 Automatic data processing machines	627	629	581	3.3	995	1 211
761 Televisions, monitors and projectors	286	265	250	1.4	635	515
764 Telecommunications equipment	602	579	709	4.1	1 073	1 289
781 Motor cars for the transport of persons	1 448	1 358	1 191	6.8	1 971	2 549
782 Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	557	456	483	2.8	669	939
784 Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles	218	226	223	1.3	367	449
894 Baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods	229	200	225	1.3	497	425
971 Gold, non-monetary	657	346	305	1.7	931	651

SECTION AND DIVISION OF THE SITC

0	Food and live animals					
00	Live animals other than fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates	7	7	17	0.1	13 24
01	Meat and meat preparations	52	52	45	0.3	96 96
02	Dairy products and birds' eggs	54	58	59	0.3	90 117
03	Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	105	101	101	0.6	199 201
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	64	75	76	0.4	149 151
05	Vegetables and fruit	124	138	126	0.7	264 264
06	Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	24	23	28	0.2	50 51
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	101	106	108	0.6	232 214
08	Feeding stuff for animals (excl. unmilled cereals)	67	43	64	0.4	122 107
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	134	149	139	0.8	280 288
	<i>Total Food and live animals</i>	733	753	761	4.4	1 495 1 513
1	Beverages and tobacco					
11	Beverages	103	111	135	0.8	236 246
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	22	24	19	0.1	39 43
	<i>Total Beverages and tobacco</i>	125	135	154	0.9	275 289
2	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels					
21	Hides, skins and furskins, raw	—	—	—	—	— —
22	Oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits	3	4	4	—	8 7
23	Crude rubber (incl. synthetic and reclaimed)	13	12	12	0.1	21 24
24	Cork and wood	57	62	59	0.3	92 121
25	Pulp and waste paper	16	22	14	0.1	26 36
26	Textile fibres and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	9	10	10	0.1	25 20
27	Crude fertilizers (excl. those of Division 56) and crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum and precious stones)	9	28	20	0.1	17 48
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	45	95	37	0.2	82 132
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	23	25	24	0.1	48 49
	<i>Total Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</i>	175	257	179	1.0	320 436
3	Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials					
32	Coal, coke and briquettes	1	1	1	—	2 2
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	2 393	2 315	2 011	11.5	4 091 4 327
34	Gas, natural and manufactured	102	236	209	1.2	294 446
	<i>Total Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials</i>	2 496	2 553	2 222	12.7	4 387 4 775

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				Per cent of total merchandise imports(b)	2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST	
	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010		2009	2010
	\$m	\$m	\$m	%	\$m	\$m
SECTION AND DIVISION OF THE SITC						
4	Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes					
41	5	2	7	—	6	9
42	40	55	39	0.2	84	94
43	Fats and oils (processed), waxes and inedible mixtures or preparations, of animal or vegetable n.e.s.					
	3	5	5	—	12	10
	<i>Total Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes</i>					
	48	62	51	0.3	102	113
5	Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.					
51	279	319	349	2.0	494	667
52	80	108	103	0.6	210	210
53	52	56	58	0.3	101	114
54	798	853	882	5.1	1 593	1 735
55	Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations					
	145	156	171	1.0	317	327
56	107	64	46	0.3	115	110
57	126	142	133	0.8	201	275
58	118	125	130	0.7	238	255
59	180	188	177	1.0	314	365
	<i>Total Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.</i>					
	1 886	2 011	2 048	11.7	3 584	4 058
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material					
61	9	14	15	0.1	23	29
62	242	257	246	1.4	449	503
63	58	62	62	0.4	92	124
64	235	256	264	1.5	433	521
65	192	214	228	1.3	416	442
66	220	211	220	1.3	402	432
67	308	415	329	1.9	558	744
68	181	228	188	1.1	241	417
69	427	478	474	2.7	882	952
	<i>Total Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</i>					
	1 873	2 136	2 027	11.6	3 496	4 163
7	Machinery and transport equipment					
71	359	353	381	2.2	613	734
72	657	666	613	3.5	1 096	1 279
73	62	59	47	0.3	103	106
74	General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s. and machine parts, n.e.s.					
	824	862	860	4.9	1 963	1 722
75	920	908	846	4.8	1 530	1 754
76	Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment					
	976	928	1 029	5.9	1 887	1 957
77	Electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances, parts (incl. non-elec. counterparts of electrical domestic equip)					
	899	943	910	5.2	1 578	1 853
78	2 369	2 194	2 070	11.9	3 284	4 264
79	142	315	215	1.2	225	529
	<i>Total Machinery and transport equipment</i>					
	7 206	7 228	6 971	40.0	12 279	14 199

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(b) Per cent of total merchandise is calculated for the most recent month.

(a) Some SITC sections and divisions exclude commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. These are included in Division 98. For more information see paragraph 26 of the Explanatory Notes.

	Jun 2010	Jul 2010	Aug 2010	Per cent of total merchandise imports(b)	2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST	
					2009	2010
					\$m	\$m
SECTION AND DIVISION OF THE SITC						
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles					
81	Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.					
	72	80	82	0.5	134	162
82	Furniture, parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings					
	216	237	249	1.4	460	486
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers					
	58	68	70	0.4	134	138
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories					
	401	489	504	2.9	904	993
85	Footwear					
	95	130	136	0.8	252	267
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.					
	450	405	419	2.4	798	824
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s., watches and clocks					
	109	120	117	0.7	239	237
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.					
	862	826	895	5.1	1 736	1 721
	<i>Total Miscellaneous manufactured articles</i>	<i>2 263</i>	<i>2 354</i>	<i>14.2</i>	<i>4 655</i>	<i>4 828</i>
9	Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC					
93	Special transactions and commodities not classified according to kind					
	3	3	3	—	6	6
95	Gold coin whether or not legal tender, and other coin being legal tender					
	1	1	1	—	1	1
96	Coin (excl. gold coin) not being legal tender					
	—	—	—	—	—	—
97	Gold, non-monetary (excl. gold ores and concentrates)					
	657	346	305	1.7	931	651
98	Combined confidential items excl. some of SITC 280 (exports only) and some of SITCs 510 and 520 (imports only)					
	438	898	246	1.4	663	1 144
	<i>Total Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC</i>	<i>1 099</i>	<i>1 247</i>	<i>3.2</i>	<i>1 601</i>	<i>1 803</i>
	Total merchandise imports	17 904	18 736	17 441	100.0	32 195 36 177
	Balance of Payments Adjustments	136	101	132	. .	565 233
	Goods Debits (imports) on a Balance of Payments Basis	18 040	18 837	17 573	. .	32 760 36 410

. . not applicable

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(a) Some SITC sections and divisions exclude commodities subject to a confidentiality restriction. These are included in Division 98. For more information see paragraph 26 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Per cent of total merchandise is calculated for the most recent month.

	EXPORTS				IMPORTS (b)				BALANCE OF MERCHANDISE TRADE	
	2009-10	Aug 2010	2	2	2009-10	Aug 2010	2	2	2009-10	Aug 2010
			months ended August 2009	months ended August 2010			Months Ended August 2009	Months Ended August 2010		
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Belgium	1 075	121	155	235	1 560	137	297	284	-485	-48
Brazil	1 294	240	90	473	620	59	97	114	674	359
Canada	1 295	169	205	278	1 726	182	303	372	-432	-94
China	46 523	5 006	6 853	10 237	36 372	3 620	5 936	7 137	10 151	3 100
Denmark	141	12	25	24	1 105	73	168	154	-965	-130
Egypt(c)	411	42	86	96	26	4	8	6	385	89
Fiji	306	24	59	55	163	19	21	38	143	16
Finland	307	3	20	18	664	46	93	110	-357	-93
France	1 121	88	131	198	3 886	406	665	710	-2 765	-512
Germany	1 688	145	205	278	10 724	895	1 752	1 800	-9 036	-1 521
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	2 719	282	388	484	1 129	115	207	223	1 590	261
India	16 179	1 518	2 302	2 756	1 845	183	276	346	14 334	2 410
Indonesia	4 330	364	648	816	4 687	445	734	964	-357	-148
Iran	149	9	16	15	114	25	5	28	35	-13
Iraq	196	12	82	13	—	—	—	—	196	13
Ireland	121	15	22	30	2 305	194	392	419	-2 185	-390
Israel	176	32	43	50	573	48	86	101	-397	-51
Italy	948	117	125	207	4 814	445	821	890	-3 866	-683
Japan	37 065	4 362	5 984	8 566	17 779	1 346	2 708	2 906	19 286	5 659
Korea, Republic of	16 497	1 566	2 323	3 675	7 050	478	1 060	1 131	9 447	2 544
Kuwait	525	44	93	85	417	—	57	—	108	85
Malaysia	3 132	362	571	661	8 485	886	1 250	1 799	-5 352	-1 138
Mexico	741	53	133	102	1 235	111	180	258	-494	-156
Netherlands	2 040	244	290	465	1 360	136	233	235	680	230
New Zealand	8 026	711	1 390	1 407	7 004	598	1 091	1 214	1 022	193
Pakistan	610	45	91	69	153	12	24	25	457	44
Papua New Guinea	1 972	173	333	350	2 930	229	501	480	-959	-130
Philippines	1 092	125	181	243	461	37	72	82	630	161
Saudi Arabia	1 533	110	232	243	462	15	81	29	1 072	214
Singapore	5 046	496	1 002	1 077	10 908	705	1 561	1 558	-5 862	-480
South Africa	1 762	144	293	266	1 004	105	147	198	757	68
Spain	494	63	61	140	1 679	161	274	322	-1 186	-182
Sweden	441	58	72	92	2 084	209	369	393	-1 643	-301
Switzerland	269	30	45	64	2 231	174	432	374	-1 962	-309
Taiwan	6 853	744	1 100	1 572	3 416	337	528	638	3 436	934
Thailand	4 706	466	761	1 271	12 443	752	1 734	1 534	-7 738	-262
Turkey	304	29	20	47	459	33	56	66	-155	-19
United Arab Emirates	1 974	170	290	370	2 294	209	501	391	-319	-21
United Kingdom	7 212	345	591	754	5 771	518	979	1 008	1 440	-254
United States of America	9 536	785	1 634	1 634	21 856	1 940	3 474	3 818	-12 321	-2 184
Viet Nam	1 408	124	239	254	3 110	203	531	430	-1 702	-176
Other Countries(b)	8 536	921	1 296	1 732	16 696	1 354	2 491	3 592	-8 160	-1 860
Total	200 752	20 369	30 483	41 403	203 608	17 441	32 195	36 177	-2 856	5 227
APEC	151 965	15 890	23 928	32 834	144 006	12 280	22 380	25 103	7 960	7 731
ASEAN	19 863	1 952	3 424	4 353	41 084	3 110	6 104	6 533	-21 221	-2 180
Developing Countries	121 935	12 494	18 374	25 838	102 853	8 885	16 071	18 175	19 082	7 663
Least Developed Countries	1 842	186	287	433	291	30	43	53	1 551	379
European Union(d)	15 953	1 328	1 743	2 585	38 508	3 455	6 427	6 796	-22 555	-4 211
OECD	89 685	8 940	13 473	18 267	98 986	8 377	15 856	17 172	-9 301	1 095

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) See Time series spreadsheets for details of all countries.

(b) From September 2008 imports data with confidentiality restrictions 'no commodity details' or 'no value details' are included in Other countries.

(c) Exports of Alumina to Egypt are excluded from country total and included in the 'Other Countries' category.

(d) The European Union includes 27 member countries.

			2 MONTHS ENDED AUGUST	
	2009-10	Aug 2010	2009	2010
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
EXPORTS (a)				
New South Wales	31 176	2 861	5 262	5 918
Victoria	18 424	1 614	2 927	3 296
Queensland	43 274	4 972	6 757	9 426
South Australia	8 135	921	1 349	1 800
Western Australia	83 355	8 530	11 415	18 137
Tasmania	3 005	320	465	581
Northern Territory	4 979	456	811	899
Australian Capital Territory	4	1	—	1
State not available for publication(b)	557	29	106	54
Re-exports	7 843	664	1 392	1 292
Total	200 752	20 369	30 483	41 403
IMPORTS				
New South Wales	76 003	7 050	12 337	14 226
Victoria	53 118	4 687	8 476	9 657
Queensland	31 047	2 647	4 802	5 376
South Australia	6 446	488	1 018	1 041
Western Australia	27 939	1 941	4 232	3 964
Tasmania	715	87	117	125
Northern Territory	3 051	294	547	644
Australian Capital Territory	5	—	2	1
State not available for publication(c)	5 286	246	663	1 144
Total	203 608	17 441	32 195	36 177

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) State in which the final stage of production or manufacture occurs.

(b) Exports of Alumina to Bahrain, Egypt and Iceland are excluded from the state totals and included in 'State not available for publication'.

(c) From September 2008 imports data with confidentiality restrictions 'no commodity details' or 'no value details' are included in State not available for publication.

PERIOD AVERAGE EXCHANGE RATES(a), Per Australian dollar

<i>Period</i>	<i>United States dollar</i>	<i>UK pound sterling</i>	<i>Euro</i>	<i>Japanese yen</i>	<i>Special Drawing Right</i>	<i>Trade-weighted index of value of the A\$(b)</i>
FINANCIAL YEAR						
2007-08	0.8968	0.4479	0.6099	98.63	0.5664	69.7
2008-09	0.7456	0.4621	0.5414	73.99	0.4869	60.2
2009-10	0.8830	0.5590	0.6362	80.77	0.5710	68.9
MONTHS						
2009						
June	0.8023	0.4898	0.5721	77.39	0.5194	64.1
July	0.8040	0.4913	0.5709	75.96	0.5180	64.0
August	0.8344	0.5047	0.5852	79.15	0.5349	66.0
September	0.8611	0.5275	0.5915	78.74	0.5461	67.2
October	0.9090	0.5613	0.6130	82.03	0.5716	70.0
November	0.9202	0.5540	0.6166	82.04	0.5754	70.6
December	0.9028	0.5552	0.6174	80.89	0.5693	69.6
2010						
January	0.9148	0.5659	0.6400	83.49	0.5842	70.7
February	0.8863	0.5663	0.6474	79.99	0.5759	69.2
March	0.9120	0.6058	0.6716	82.58	0.5968	71.0
April	0.9265	0.6043	0.6902	86.45	0.6105	72.1
May	0.8717	0.5942	0.6928	80.38	0.5883	68.9
June	0.8529	0.5777	0.6976	77.48	0.5808	67.7
July	0.8743	0.5725	0.6852	76.63	0.5821	68.2
August	0.9000	0.5747	0.6976	76.87	0.5928	69.5

(a) These exchange rates and the trade-weighted index are derived using rates provided by the Reserve Bank of Australia in respect of each trading day.

(b) May 1970 = 100. The Trade-weighted index is reweighted annually on 1 October and on special occasions as required.

	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	May 2010	Jun 2010	Jul 2010
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
BALANCE									
On goods and services	—	—	814	40	73	212	239	120	-139
CREDITS									
Total goods and services	—	—	327	-17	25	169	115	82	-2
<i>Total goods</i>	—	—	118	4	13	85	13	-24	-86
Rural goods	—	—	-3	12	—	4	1	-28	-29
Non-rural goods	—	—	123	-9	15	82	14	4	-55
Net exports of goods under merchanting	—	—	-1	1	-2	-1	-1	—	-2
Non-monetary gold	—	—	-1	—	—	—	-1	—	—
<i>Total services</i>	—	—	209	-21	12	84	102	106	84
DEBITS									
Total goods and services	—	—	487	57	48	43	124	38	-137
<i>Total goods</i>	—	—	19	2	-13	-26	13	48	-21
Consumption goods	—	—	3	1	2	-2	—	2	4
Capital goods	—	—	44	2	1	2	-5	44	6
Intermediate and other merchandise goods	—	—	-19	-1	-16	-26	18	11	-31
Non-monetary gold debits	—	—	-9	—	—	—	—	-9	—
<i>Total services</i>	—	—	468	55	61	69	111	-10	-116

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) This table is presented consistent with BPM6 sign conventions. This means for the balance on goods and services a negative revision indicates a decrease in a surplus or an increase in a deficit. For debits a negative revision indicates an increase in debits while a positive revision indicates a decrease in debits.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication presents preliminary estimates of Australia's international trade in goods and services on a balance of payments basis (Tables 1–11 and 17) and merchandise import and export statistics on a recorded trade basis (Tables 12–15). In addition, Table 16 Exchange rates and trade-weighted indexes are derived by using exchange rates and indexes provided by the Reserve Bank.

2 Merchandise trade statistics on a recorded trade basis are compiled from information submitted by exporters and importers or their agents to the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (Customs and Border Protection). Adjustments for coverage, timing and valuation are made to recorded trade data to convert them to a balance of payments basis. The services data are sourced from the quarterly Survey of International Trade in Services and a range of administrative data and indicator series.

3 More comprehensive quarterly estimates of Australia's trade in goods and services, together with comprehensive details of Australia's balance of payments are included in the quarterly publication, *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia* (cat. no. 5302.0). Detailed monthly statistics on merchandise trade are available in Time Series Spreadsheets on the ABS website or by subscription to tailored services. More information on the *International Trade in Services by country, by state and by detailed services category* are available on a financial year basis (cat. no. 5368.0.55.003) with the September issue of this publication and calendar year basis (cat. no. 5368.0.55.004) with the March issue of this publication.

CONCEPTS, SOURCES AND METHODS

4 The conceptual framework used in compiling Australia's merchandise trade statistics can be found in *International Merchandise Trade, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 2001* (cat. no. 5489.0).

5 The conceptual framework used in compiling Australia's balance of payments statistics is based on the *International Monetary Fund's Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Manual Sixth Edition* (BPM6). Descriptions of the underlying concepts and structure of the balance of payments and the sources, methods and terms used in compiling the estimates are presented in *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 1998* (cat. no. 5331.0). The current version of this document reflects the international standards prior to BPM6. A revised Concepts, Sources and Methods publication is scheduled for release in late 2010. The *Information paper: Implementation of new international statistical standards in the ABS National and International Accounts, September 2009* (cat. no. 5310.0.55.002) describes the key changes introduced with BPM6.

6 To bring merchandise trade statistics on a recorded trade basis to a balance of payments basis, timing adjustments are made to ensure that the transaction is recorded in the period in which ownership changed, rather than in the period in which the transaction was recorded by Customs and Border Protection or the period in which the goods arrived in/departed from an Australian port. Adjustments are also made to account for the change of ownership of goods not included in merchandise trade statistics. Chapter 6 of cat. no. 5331.0 provides more detail on the relationship between statistics on international merchandise trade on a recorded trade basis and on a balance of payments basis.

7 Recorded trade exports data presented for recent months in tables 12–15 of this publication are based on information initially reported by exporters to Customs and Border Protection. At the time of initial reporting to Customs and Border Protection the final prices may not be known for some commodities. Therefore, the information recorded for recent months for commodities like iron ore and coal can include a variety of prices including previous or current contract prices and the prevailing spot prices. Newly negotiated contract prices may not be fully reflected in the data first reported to

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CONCEPTS, SOURCES AND METHODS *continued*

Customs and Border Protection, and to compensate for this, the Balance of Payments series may reflect adjusted price levels.

8 The Concepts, Sources and Methods publications and information papers are available to download for free from the ABS website. Select *Statistics*, then select *By Catalogue Number*, and then the catalogue numbers as above.

CLASSIFICATIONS

9 The merchandise trade data on a recorded trade basis are presented using the following commodity classifications:

- the Harmonised System 2007 (available on request)
- the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC Revision 4)
- the Classification by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)
- the industry classification: Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification, 2006 (ANZSIC 06) from July 2005.

10 The Balance of Payments Goods and Services series are presented according to three classifications with the goods classifications derived from SITC Revision 4 and BEC. The classifications are:

- for goods:
 - the Balance of Payments Commodities for Exports (BoPCE)
 - the Balance of Payments Broad Economic Categories for Imports (BoPBEC)
- for services:
 - the Extended Balance of Payments Services Classification (EBOPS).

ACCURACY, RELIABILITY AND REVISIONS

11 While every effort is made to ensure the accuracy and reliability of estimates, most series are subject to revision as more complete and accurate information becomes available. Care should be exercised in the use and interpretation of estimates in this publication. The transactions occurring in international trade in goods and services are of many different kinds, and therefore the compilation of trade estimates entails the use of a very wide range of statistical data of varying degrees of accuracy and timeliness. For further information on the monthly services series, see paragraph 25.

12 The revisions are applied differently for merchandise trade and Balance of Payments series. Each month, merchandise trade data are revised for the previous six months to incorporate latest available data.

13 For the Balance of Payments Goods and Services series, in original terms, no revisions are applied in the July, October, January or April issues. This is to ensure the monthly series align with the comparable series in the quarterly publication. In the September issue revisions can be applied to the four previous financial years. In other issues revisions can be applied to the previous and current financial years to incorporate the latest available survey and administrative data.

14 In seasonally adjusted and trend terms, revisions may occur at any time point but tend to focus on the most recent estimates. Please also refer to paragraphs 17 (seasonal adjustment) and 19 (trend estimates) below.

SIGN CONVENTION

15 In keeping with BPM6 conventions, balance of payments basis credit entries are shown with an implied positive sign and debit items are shown as negative entries. For statistics on a recorded trade basis, both imports and exports are shown without sign. The calculation of percentage changes on balance of payments debit items are made without regard to sign. References to balance of payments debit items in Key Figures, Key Points, and Analysis and Comments are also made without regard to sign.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES

16 The estimates of international trade in goods and services on a balance of payments basis are seasonally adjusted, however the merchandise exports and imports statistics on a recorded trade basis are not. Monthly original estimates are volatile, being subject to calendar-related and large irregular influences. Seasonally adjusted estimates are derived

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SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES *continued*

by estimating and removing from the original series systematic calendar related effects, such as seasonal (e.g. Christmas), trading day and moving holiday (e.g. Easter) influences. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. These irregular influences may reflect both random economic events and difficulties of statistical recording.

17 The seasonally adjusted statistics in this publication use the concurrent seasonal adjustment technique and Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average (ARIMA) modelling to estimate factors for the current and previous months. Under concurrent seasonal adjustment, the estimates of seasonal factors are fine tuned as new or revised original estimates become available each period. The seasonally adjusted estimates are subject to revisions at each reference month as the estimates of seasonal factors are improved.

18 ARIMA modelling relies on the characteristics of the series being analysed to project future period data. ARIMA modelling is used on a case-by-case basis where it results in reduced revisions to seasonally adjusted series when subsequent data become available. The projected values are temporary, intermediate values, that are only used internally to improve the estimation of the seasonal factors. The projected data do not affect the original estimates and are discarded at the end of the seasonal adjustment process. The ARIMA model is assessed as part of the annual review and, following the 2009 annual review, 40 of the 45 directly seasonally adjusted trade in goods and services time series use an ARIMA model.

19 The month-to-month movements of the seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of underlying behaviour because they include irregular or non-seasonal movements. Trend estimates reduce the effect of these movements as they are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson moving average to the seasonally adjusted series. The 13-term Henderson moving average (like all Henderson averages) is symmetric, but as the end of a time series is approached, asymmetric forms of the average are applied. While the asymmetric weights enable trend estimates for recent months to be produced, it does result in revisions to the estimates for the most recent six months as additional observations become available. Revisions to trend estimates can also occur because of revisions to the original data and as a result of the re-estimation of the seasonal factors. Trend estimates should be used with caution, especially around the time of unusual influences, until these have been appropriately taken into account.

20 Information papers and articles on time series methods are available on the ABS website:

- for seasonal adjustment methods, see *Information Paper: An Introductory Course on Time Series Analysis, Jan 2005* (cat. no. 1346.0.55.001) and *Time Series Analysis Frequently Asked Questions, 2003* (cat. no. 1346.0.55.002)
- for ARIMA modelling, see *Feature article: Use of ARIMA modelling to reduce revisions* in the October 2004 issue of *Australian Economic Indicators* (cat. no. 1350.0)
- for trend estimates methods, see *Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series – Monitoring Trends* (cat. no. 1349.0)
- alternatively contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on (02) 6252 6345 or e-mail <time.series.analysis@abs.gov.au>.

ECONOMIC TERRITORY

21 In accordance with BPM6 definitions, Australia's economic territory, on a balance of payments basis, is the area under the effective control of the Australian government. It includes the land area, airspace, territorial waters, including jurisdiction over fishing rights and rights to fuels and minerals. Australian economic territory also includes territorial enclaves in the rest of the world. These are clearly demarcated areas of land, located in other countries and which are owned or rented by the Australian government

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ECONOMIC TERRITORY

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for diplomatic, military, scientific or other purposes. Specifically, the economic territory of Australia consists of:

- Geographic Australia which includes Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Christmas Island;
- Norfolk Island;
- Australian Antarctic Territory;
- Heard Island and McDonald Islands;
- Territory of Ashmore Reef and Cartier Island;
- Coral Sea Islands;
- Australia's territorial enclaves overseas; and
- the Joint Petroleum Development Area (joint territory between Australia and East Timor (Timor-Leste)).

22 Because of administrative complexities and measurement difficulties, Norfolk Island transactions with the rest of the world will not always be captured in all relevant Balance of Payments statistics. Most of the transactions involving Norfolk Island are not material to Australia's trade performance and not capturing these transactions will not distort these statistics. However, any significant transactions will be identified and included in the relevant statistics.

COMMODITY BREAKDOWN OF GOODS

23 For details of the classifications used to present goods exports (credits) and imports (debits) on a balance of payments basis, see tables 6.6 and 6.7, respectively, in *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods*, 1998 (cat. no. 5331.0).

24 The recorded trade statistics shown in tables 12 and 13 are classified by the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC). Imports and exports of goods at a more detailed level are available from the Time Series spreadsheets on the ABS website. All data from July 2005 are presented according to SITC Rev 4 and data prior to July 2005 are presented according to SITC Rev 3. For details refer to the 'Classifications and Standards Update' in the July 2008 issue of this publication.

MONTHLY SERVICES SERIES

25 Monthly indicators for many of the services components that are only surveyed quarterly are not available. Monthly estimates for the freight and other transportation components of services credits in table 9 are derived by dividing the quarterly estimate by three. Freight debits are derived directly from imports data for the reference month as a difference between total merchandise cost, insurance and freight (CIF) and free on board (FOB), adjusted to reflect timing and processing adjustments. For freight credits and other transportation credits and debits, estimates are derived by extrapolating the last quarter's data by an average of movements for the same quarter over the three previous years, and then dividing the estimate by three. Similarly other services estimates are derived by extrapolating the last quarter's data by an average of movements for the same quarter over the previous three years, and then dividing the estimate by three.

CONFIDENTIALITY OF MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS

26 The release of statistics for certain merchandise trade commodities is restricted in order to prevent the identification of the activities of an individual business, where this is requested by the business concerned. These restrictions do not affect the total value of exports and imports, but they can affect statistics at the country, state and commodity levels. Imports data that have the confidentiality restrictions 'No commodity details' or 'No value details' are aggregated into a single confidential commodity code. For data prior to September 2008, these data are added back into the appropriate state total and country total (i.e. these totals show the correct level of trade). From September 2008 these confidential data are not added back. Instead the confidential data are published as 'No country details' in the country totals and 'State not available for publication' in the state totals. Therefore, country and state totals from September 2008 may not represent the actual amount of trade in each country/state but only the trade in commodities without a 'No commodity details' or 'No value details' restriction. For information on the

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confidentiality restrictions applied to the merchandise trade statistics in this publication, refer to the current issue of *International merchandise trade: Confidential Commodities List (CCL)* (cat. no. 5372.0.55.001).

TOURISM RELATED SERVICES

27 The tourism related services memorandum items provide timely indicators of the movements in tourism related activities, not an absolute measure of the level of these activities. The tourism related indicator has been derived by combining total travel services (business, education-related and other personal travel) and passenger transportation services (which includes agency fees and commissions for air transport).

SERVICES BY STATE AND BY PARTNER COUNTRY

28 Annual services data by state, by country and detailed services are released twice yearly. Calendar year data are usually released with the March issue of this publication and financial year data are usually released with the September issue. Refer to Time series data for details.

29 Services credits are classified by the state of provision, while services debits are classified by the state of consumption. The state allocations for transportation, travel, postal and courier, and telecommunication services are based on a number of indicators including merchandise trade statistics by state, overseas passenger arrivals and departures by state of clearance and data provided by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship. The allocation for other services (about 25% of all trade in services) is primarily based on the location of the business reporting the information, which serves as a proxy for the state of provision/consumption of that service. The data should be used with care but are considered suitable for analysis over time.

30 A comprehensive explanation of the data sources used and the methodology applied in the compilation of partner country statistics is provided in Chapter 17 of *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia – Concepts, Sources and Methods* (cat. no. 5331.0). Approximately 7% of total services credits and 5% of total services debits for both 2007–08 and 2008–09 were either confidential, or unable to be allocated to individual countries.

ABS DATA AVAILABLE

31 More detailed balance of payments and recorded merchandise trade data, including forward seasonal factors are available as time series spreadsheets or data cubes from the ABS website. Merchandise trade data by commodity, country and state that are not on the ABS website may be available on request. Inquiries should be made to the National Information and Referral Service as shown on the back of this publication.

RELATED PRODUCTS AND PUBLICATIONS

32 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which can be downloaded free of charge from the ABS website by using the 'Statistics' tab and selecting the relevant catalogue number:

- *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia* (cat. no. 5302.0) – issued quarterly
- *International Merchandise Imports, Australia* (cat. no. 5439.0) – issued monthly
- *International Trade Price Indexes, Australia* (cat. no. 6457.0) – issued quarterly
- *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (cat. no. 5331.0)
- *Information Paper: Quality of Australian Balance of Payments Statistics* (cat. no. 5342.0)
- *International Merchandise Trade, Australia: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (cat. no. 5489.0)
- *A Guide to Australian Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Statistics* (cat. no. 5362.0.55.001).

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33 Current publications and other products released by the ABS are available from the Statistics tab on the ABS website. The ABS also issues a daily *Release Advice* on the website which details products to be released in the week ahead. A *foreign trade theme page* and a *balance of payments theme page* are available on the ABS website. Select *Topics @ a Glance – Economy – Foreign Trade* or *Balance of Payments*. This page provides direct links to all foreign trade and balance of payments related data and publications, recent changes and forthcoming events, links to relevant websites and a range of other information about the Australian International Accounts.

ROUNDING

34 Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals. Percentage movements are calculated from data at the level of precision presented in this publication (i.e. \$m) except for international merchandise trade tables.

ABBREVIATIONS

\$b	billion (thousand million) dollars
\$m	million dollars
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
APEC	Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation
ASEAN	Association of South-East Asian Nations
n.e.s.	not elsewhere specified
n.i.e.	not included elsewhere
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
SAR	Special Administrative Region
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification

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Export and import invoice currencies, 2007	5368.0	Dec 2007
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Revisions to international standards in quarterly Balance of Payments and International Investment Position statistics from September 2009	5302.0.55.002	2009
Revisions to international standards in monthly international trade in goods and services statistics from August 2009	5368.0.55.012	2009
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Technical note 2 - Use of CDI data	5302.0	Jun qtr 2008
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Changes to international trade statistics July 2008	5368.0.55.009	2007–08
Introduction of revised international standards in ABS economic statistics in 2009	5310.0.55.001	2007
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