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1. Balance of Trade

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 153,509.0 million in December 2024, increased by 35.6 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2023 and by 3.6 percent compared to the previous month. The trade ratio for December 2024 decreased to 3.6 from 6.8 percent in November and increased from 10.8 percent in the corresponding month of 2023 (Table 1).

Table 1: Summary of External Merchandise Trade

Value in TZS Million

Description	December 2023	November 2024	December 2024
A. Total Exports (FOB)	13,702.0	10,740.5	5,716.1
Domestic exports	13,700.5	10,740.5	3,328.4
Re-exports	1.5	0.0	2,387.7
B. Total Imports (CIF)	126,925.6	158,870.6	159,225.1
Total International Trade (A + B)	140,627.7	169,611.0	164,941.2
Balance of Trade (A - B)	-113,223.6	-148,130.1	-153,509.0
Trade ratio (A/B) *100	10.8	6.8	3.6

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

2. Exports Statistics

December 2024, recorded a total exports value of TZS 5,716.1 million, decreased by 58.3 percent compared to December 2023 and by 46.8 percent compared to previous month (November 2024). Miscellaneous manufactured articles contributed 42.7 percent (TZS 2,439.9 million) of the total exports as seen in table 2.

Table 2: Total Exports of Goods by SITC Section

Value in TZS Million

SITC Description	December	November	December 2024	
	2023	2024 -	Value	% Share
Food and live animals	12,982.1	3,400.7	1,810.7	31.7
Beverages and tobacco	43.1	285.5	34.0	0.6
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	72.7	234.3	152.3	2.7
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	-	-	-	-
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	-	-	-	-
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	24.0	0.2	10.3	0.2
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	474.7	1,298.1	1,216.7	21.3
Machinery and transport equipment	16.5	-	52.2	0.9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	89.0	5,521.6	2,439.9	42.7
Total	13,702.0	10,740.5	5,716.1	100

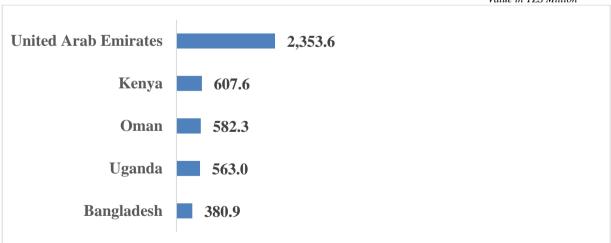
Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

3. Exports by Top Five Partner in December 2024

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the December 2024 accounted 78.5 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destination was United Arab Emirates that accounted 41.2 percent (TZS 2,353.6 million) of the total export (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Exports Value by Top Five (5) Partners in December 2024

Value in TZS Million



Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

4. Imports Statistics

Month of December 2024 recorded a total import value of TZS 159,225.1 million, which increased by 25.4 percent compared to December 2023 and increased by 0.2 percent compared to previous month. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials section contribute 40.4 percent (TZS 64,269.4 million) of the total import value followed by Machinery and transport equipment section (15.5 percent). The performances of other sections are as shown in table 3.

Table 3: Total Imports of Goods by SITC Section

Value in TZS Million

SITC DESCRIPTION	December	November	Decembe	r 2024
	2023	2024	Value	% Share
Food and live animals	17,218.3	7,727.3	19,700.8	12.4
Beverages and tobacco	392.6	561.9	664.1	0.4
Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1,039.7	2,807.3	3,698.3	2.3
Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	70,248.7	67,440.1	64,269.4	40.4
Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes	5,507.8	4,438.1	6,059.6	3.8
Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify)	3,649.7	8,724.2	7,749.7	4.9
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	8,934.0	13,357.6	24,707.0	15.5
Machinery and transport equipment	12,075.4	44,151.3	21,786.0	13.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	7,859.3	9,662.9	10,590.3	6.7
Total	126,925.6	158,870.6	159,225.1	100.0

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

5. Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

Imported value of consumer goods for December 2024 was TZS 43,535.6 million, which increased by 30.7 percent compared to the corresponding month and increased by 43.5 percent compared to previous month. Imports value of capital goods was TZS 38,942.6 million, which increased more than hundred percent compared corresponding month and decreased by 28.3 percent compared the previous month. Imported value of intermediary goods was TZS 76,746.8 million, which decreased by 0.9 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2023 and increased by 3.4 percent compared to previous month. (Table 4).

Table 4: Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC)

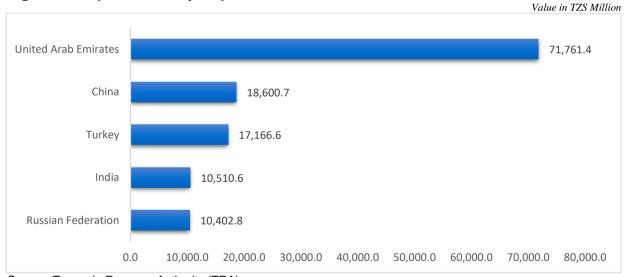
			Value in TZS Million
Categories	December	November	December
	2023	2024	2024
Capital Goods	16,188.0	54,349.1	38,942.6
Transport Equipment	5,598.5	26,938.6	6,790.2
Building and Construction material	4,060.6	7,930.0	17,151.5
Machinery	6,528.9	19,480.5	15,000.9
Intermediate Goods	77,431.6	74,191.3	76,746.8
Oil	70,248.7	67,440.1	64,272.6
Industrial raw materials	7,182.9	6,751.2	12,474.3
Consumer Goods	33,306.0	30,330.2	43,535.6
Food and food stuffs	17,528.0	7,962.5	20,187.9
All other consumer goods	15,778.0	22,367.7	23,347.8
Total	126,925.6	158,870.6	159,225.1

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

6. Imports by Top Five Partner in December 2024

The top five trading partners for imported goods in the December 2024 contributed 80.7 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (45.1 percent, TZS 71,761.4 million).

Figure 2: Import value by Top Five Partner in December 2024



Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA)

Note:

"- " = Means no exportation/importation at particular time

CIF = Includes Cost, Insurance and Freight

FOB = Free in Board

SITC = Standard International Trade Classification (Food and live animals section including Cloves and other spices; seaweeds and other sea products).

Annex 1: Import by HS Code for December 2024

hapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
02	Meat and edible meat offal	714,253,589
03	Fish & crustacean, mollusk & other aquatic invertebrate	367,685,733
04	Dairy prod; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible prod not elsewhere specified	234,792,054
05	Guts, bladders and stomachs of animals (other than fish), whole and pieces	5,568,127
06	Live tree & other plant; bulb, root; cut flowers etc.	747,436
07	Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers	34,911,467
08	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons	263,362,239
09	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	59,017,189
10	Cereals	10,534,075,356
11	Prod mill industry; malt; starches; insulin; wheat gluten	1,355,807,536
12	Oil seed, oleagi fruits; miscell grain, seed, fruit etc.	35,113,304
13	Other:Vegetable saps and extracts; pectic substances:Vegetable saps and extracts	2,315,861
15	Animal/veg fats & oil & their cleavage products; etc.	6,130,538,110
16	Prep of meat, fish or crustaceans, mollusks etc.	59,178,612
17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	6,238,843,128
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	511,848,818
19	Prep of cereal, flour, starch/milk; pastry cooks' prod	511,848,818
20	Prep of vegetable, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants	121,790,922
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	319,357,027
22	Beverages, spirits and vinegar	660,945,760
23	Residues & waste from the food industry; prepare ani fodder	28,721,821
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	5,223,208
25	Salt; Sulphur; earth & stone; plastering mat; lime & cement	1,945,497,319
27	Mineral fuels, oils & product of their distillation; etc.	64,272,567,076
28	Inorganic chemical; compounds of prec met, radio act elements etc.	984,163
29	Organic chemicals	85,183,276
30	Pharmaceutical products	1,839,221,315
32	Tanning/dyeing extract; tannins & derives; pigm etc.	252,904,200
33	Essential oils & resinoids; perf, cosmetic/toilet prep	351,130,587
34	Soap, organic surface-active agents, washing prep, etc.	1,617,509,275
35	Albuminoidal subs; modified starches; glues; enzymes	144,470,635
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods	128,974
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	158,043,172
39	Plastics and articles thereof	4,283,091,043
40	Rubber and articles thereof	842,977,422
42	Articles of leather; saddlery/harness; travel goods etc.	87,301,424
43	Furskins and artificial fur; manufactures thereof	889,031
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	892,933,632
46	Manufactures os straw, esparto/other plaiting mat; etc.	24,102,022
47	Pulp of wood/of other fibrous cellulosic mat; waste etc.	88,253,158
48	Paper & paperboard; art of paper pulp, paper/paperboard	953,828,959

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
49	Printed books, newspapers, pictures & other product etc	59,521,760
52	Cotton	295,713,695
54	Man-made filaments	1,273,835,701
55	Man-made staple fibres	558,216,475
56	Wadding, felt & nonwoven; yarns; twine, cordage, etc.	64,422,186
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	187,199,047
58	Special woven fab; tufted textile fab; lace; tapestries etc.	21,099,660
59	Impregnated, coated, cover/laminated textile fabric etc.	49,950,376
61	Art of apparel & clothing access, knitted or crocheted	919,332,344
62	Art of apparel & clothing access, not knitted/crocheted	1,011,997,292
63	Other made up textile articles; sets; worn clothing etc.	3,052,346,088
64	Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	593,838,031
65	Umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, etc.	50,816,367
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67	Prepared feathers & down; artificial flower; articles human hair	38,262,438
68	Art of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica/sim mat	459,010,535
69	Ceramic products	3,880,466,452
70	Glass and glassware	529,076,155
71	Natural/cultured pearls, prec stones & metals, coin etc.	39,761,431
72	Iron and steel	3,727,455,638
73	Articles of iron and steel	6,902,349,203
74	Copper and articles thereof	101,303,216
76	Aluminum and articles thereof	1,512,028,496
82	Tool, implement, cutlery, spoon & fork, of base met etc.	555,247,595
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	444,770,578
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery & mechanical appliance; parts	9,697,431,370
85	Electrical machinery equip parts thereof; sound recorder etc.	5,303,480,604
86	railways /train locum, rolling-stock & parts thereof; etc.	271,521,156
87	Vehicles or railways /train roll-stock, pts & accessories	6,469,054,276
88	Aircraft, spacecraft, and parts of	49,597,778
90	Optical, photo, cine, meas, checking, precision, etc.	891,945,606
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof	14,170,238
92	Musical instruments; parts and access of such articles	2,400,121
94	Furniture; bedding, mattress, matt support, cushion etc.	3,420,972,049
95	Toys, games & sports requisites; parts & access thereof	603,312,510
96	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	426,087,489
97	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	48,857
	Total	159,225,082,528
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Annex 2: Detailed Import by Broad Economic Categories (BEC) for December 2024

hapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZ
A.	CAPITAL GOODS	38,942,614,1
	Transport equipment	6,790,173,2
86	Railway or tramway locomotive, rolling-st	271,521,155.
87	Vehicle other than railway or tramway	6,469,054,276.
88	Aircraft, peace craft, and parts thereof	49,597,777.
	Building and Construction material	17,151,528,9
68	Articles of stone	459,010,5
69	Ceramic products	3,880,466,4
70	Glass and glassware	529,076,1
71	Natural or cultured pearls, precious	39,761,4
72	Iron and steel	3,727,455,6
73	Articles of iron or steel	6,902,349,2
74	Copper and article thereof	101,303,2
75	Nickel and article thereof	77,8
76	Aluminum and articles thereof	1,512,028,4
	Machinery	15,000,911,9
84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery	9,697,431,3
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	5,303,480,6
B.	INTERMEDIATE GOODS	76,746,846,8
	Oil	64,272,567,0
27	Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	64,272,567,0
	Industrial raw materials	12,474,279,7
14	Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products	2,315,8
23	Residues and waste from the food industries	28,721,8
24	Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	5,223,2
25	Salt; Sulphur; earths and stone; plastering materials	1,945,497,3
26	Ores, slag and ash	419,1
28	Inorganic chemicals; organic or inorganic compound	984,1
29	Organic chemicals	85,183,2
32	Tanning or dying extracts; tannic	252,904,2
33	Essential oils and resinous; perfumery, cosmetic	351,130,5
47	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic	88,253,1
52	Cotton	295,713,6
54	Man-made filaments	1,273,835,7
55	Man-made staple fibres	558,216,4
56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens; special yarn	64,422,1
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11	Products of the milling industry; malt; starches	1,355,807,5

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
15	Animal or vegetable fats and oils	6,130,538,110
C.	CONSUMER GOODS	43,535,621,496
	Food and food stuffs	20,187,852,870
2	Meat and edible meat offal	714,253,589
3	Fish and crustaceans, mollusks and other aquatic	367,685,733
4	Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey	234,792,054
5	Products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified	5,568,127
7	Edible vegetable and certain roots and tubers	34,911,467
8	Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit	263,362,239
9	Coffee, tea, mate and spices	59,017,189
10	Cereals	10,534,075,356
16	Preparations of meats, of fish or of crustaceans	59,178,612
17	Sugars and sugar confectionery	6,238,843,128
18	Cocoa and cocoa preparations	62,222,850
19	Preparation of cereals, flour starch or milk	511,848,818
20	Preparation of vegetables, fruit, nuts	121,790,922
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	319,357,027
22	Beverage spirits and vinegar	660,945,760
	All other consumer goods	23,347,768,626
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks	555,247,595
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal	444,770,578
90	Optical, photographic, cinematographic	891,945,606
91	Clocks and watches and parts thereof	14,170,238
92	Musical instruments; parts and accessories	2,400,121
94	Furniture; bedding, mattresses	3,420,972,049
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97	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques	48,857
38	Miscellaneous chemical products	158,043,172
39	Plastics and articles thereof	4,283,091,043
40	Rubber and articles thereof	842,977,422
6	Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots	747,436
30	Pharmaceuticals products	1,839,221,315
34	Soap, organic surface active agents, washing	1,617,509,275
35	Albuminoidal substances; modified starches, glues	144,470,635
37	Photographic or cinematographic goods	128,974
42	Articles of leather; saddlery and harness	87,301,424
43	Fur skins and artificial fur; manufactured thereof	889,031
44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	892,933,632
46	Manufactured of straw, of esparto	24,102,022
48	Paper and paperboard; articles of paper pulp	953,828,959

Chapter code	Chapter description	Value (TZS)
49	Printed books, newspapers, pictured	59,521,760
57	Carpets and other textile floor coverings	187,199,047
58	Special woven fabrics, tufted textile fabrics	21,099,660
59	Impregnated, coated, covered	49,950,376
60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	118,959,797
61	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	919,332,344
62	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1,011,997,292
63	Other made up textile articles	3,052,346,088
64	Footwear, gaiters and the like	593,838,031
65	Headgear parts thereof	50,816,367
66	Umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking sticks	40,246,041
67	Prepared feathers	38,262,438
	Total	159,225,082,528

Annex 3: Detailed Import by SITC for December 2024

SITC Code	Description	Value in TZS
0	Food and live animals	19,700,760,736
01	Meat and meat preparations	770,099,292
02	Dairy products and birds' eggs	235,885,120
03	Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	371,018,642
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	10,964,739,741
05	Vegetables and fruit	495,329,095
06	Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	6,240,126,626
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	133,701,114
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	28,721,821
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	461,139,285
1	Beverages and tobacco	664,064,844
11	Beverages	658,841,636
12	Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	5,223,208
2	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	3,698,319,953
22	Oil-seeds and oleaginous fruits	6,274,127
24	Cork and wood	703,790,473
25	Pulp and waste paper	88,253,158
26	Textile fibres (other than wool tops and other combed wool) and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	2,303,153,009
27	Crude fertilizers, other than those of Division 56, and crude minerals (excluding coal, petroleum and precious stones)	587,468,732
28	Containing antimony, beryllium, cadmium, chromium or their mixtures	419,178
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	8,961,277
3	Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	64,269,410,496
32	Coal, coke and briquettes	854,494
33	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	64,268,556,002
4	Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes	6,059,570,149
41	Wool grease and fatty substances derived therefrom (including lanolin).	103,823
42	Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	6,051,859,178
43	Vegetable fats and oils and their fractions	7,607,148
5	Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	7,749,668,573
51	Organic chemicals	109,343,973
52	Inorganic chemicals	984,163
53	Dyeing, tanning and colouring materials	252,752,568
54	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	1,839,221,315
55	Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	1,955,961,516
57	Plastics in primary forms	1,295,628,031
58	Plastics in non-primary forms	711,146,177
59	Chemical materials and products, n.e.s.	1,584,630,828
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	24,706,983,878
61	Other articles of leather or of composition leather.	180,640
62	Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	842,977,422
63	Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	189,143,160

SITC Code	Description	Value in TZS
64	Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	1,206,572,728
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	3,389,489,909
66	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	5,829,016,189
67	Iron and steel	4,044,671,842
68	Non-ferrous metals	632,370,653
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	8,572,561,334
7	Machinery and transport equipment	21,785,966,460
71	Power-generating machinery and equipment	1,450,921,786
72	Machinery specialized for particular industries	2,510,746,208
73	Metalworking machinery	24,787,451
74	General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s., and machine parts, n.e.s.	4,662,450,814
75	Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	1,240,888,986
76	Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	1,555,242,108
77	Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, n.e.s., and electrical parts thereof (including non-electrical counterparts, n.e.s., of electrical household-type equipment)	3,586,216,659
78	Road vehicles (including air-cushion vehicles)	6,705,114,671
79	Other transport equipment	49,597,778
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	10,590,337,438
81	Prefabricated buildings; sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings, n.e.s.	1,540,224,386
82	Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	2,207,406,184
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	86,349,466
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	1,985,061,715
85	Footwear	593,838,031
87	Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus, n.e.s.	389,115,132
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	513,518,908
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	3,274,823,614
1	 Total	159,225,082,528

Annex 4: Detailed Export by SITC for December 2024

SITC	Description	Value in TZS
0	Food and live animals	1,810,655,231.0
03	Fish (not marine mammals), crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates, and preparations thereof	214,705,801.9
04	Cereals and cereal preparations	85,896,537.8
05	Vegetables and fruit	549,066,165.2
07	Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and manufactures thereof	43,570.7
08	Feeding stuff for animals (not including unmilled cereals)	380,903,156.3
09	Miscellaneous edible products and preparations	580,039,999.2
1	Beverages and tobacco	34,000,000.9
11	Beverages	34,000,000.9
2	Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	152,277,402.3
23	Crude rubber (including synthetic and reclaimed)	8,825,001.5
26	Textile fibres (other than wool tops and other combed wool) and their wastes (not manufactured into yarn or fabric)	29,500,002.5
28	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	94,160,303.0
29	Crude animal and vegetable materials, n.e.s.	19,792,095.3
5	Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	10,345,919.6
54	Other:Human blood; animal blood prepared for therapeutic, prophy-lactic or diagno	24,068.6
55	Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	50,000.0
56	Fertilizers (other than those of group 272)	10,000,000.3
58	In rolls of a width>100 cm, unprinted	271,850.8
6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	1,216,714,633.8
63	Cork and wood manufactures (excluding furniture)	31,183.6
64	Paper, paperboard and articles of paper pulp, of paper or of paperboard	6,700,001.0
65	Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s., and related products	1,173,549,386.1
66	Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	29,309,108.9
69	Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.	7,124,954.1
7	Machinery and transport equipment	52,199,791.1
74	General industrial machinery and equipment, n.e.s., and machine parts, n.e.s.	39,226,401.0
75	Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	6,000,690.0
76	Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	6,972,700.1
8	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	2,439,918,984.6
82	Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings	67,426,558.2
83	Travel goods, handbags and similar containers	230,000.1
84	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	3,577,253.6
85	Footwear	4,365,000.7
88	Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies and optical goods, n.e.s.; watches and clocks	2,340,588,728.4
89	Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.	23,731,443.5
	Total	5,716,111,963.4
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