

TABLE 38.—*Indexes of quantity and unit value of recorded United States imports for consumption, by economic classes, 1936-38 quarterly average and 1947-48*

[1936-38=100]

Period	Total imports for consumption	Crude materials	Crude foodstuffs	Manufactured foodstuffs	Semi-manufactures	Finished manufactures
Quantity indexes						
1936-38—Quarterly average....	100	100	100	100	100	100
1947—Quarterly average.....	109	130	96	83	130	84
First quarter.....	113	138	116	73	126	86
Second quarter.....	107	133	85	87	129	80
Third quarter.....	102	120	78	86	126	83
Fourth quarter.....	115	134	107	87	140	86
1948—First quarter.....	126	157	119	81	154	93
Second quarter <sup>1</sup> .....	113	125	94	88	142	97
Unit value indexes						
1936-38—Quarterly average....	100	100	100	100	100	100
1947—Quarterly average.....	211	176	311	208	191	245
First quarter.....	201	175	293	195	177	226
Second quarter.....	214	179	314	220	193	245
Third quarter.....	211	170	302	208	196	256
Fourth quarter.....	215	172	330	206	194	255
1948—First quarter.....	227	191	342	210	205	266
Second quarter <sup>1</sup> .....	232	194	344	218	214	269

<sup>1</sup> Based on calculated indexes for April and May and estimates for June.

NOTE.—The indexes of quantity are a measure of changes in the total volume of trade after the influence on values of changes in average prices has been eliminated. The indexes of unit value provide a measure of changes in the average prices at which trade transactions are reported in official foreign trade statistics, including changes in average prices that result from changes in the commodity composition of trade.

Detail will not necessarily add to totals because of rounding.

Source: Department of Commerce.