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LEADING IMPORTERS OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING, 2006

IMPORTERS	Value	Share in world exports / imports				Annual percentage change			
	2006	1980	1990	2000	2006	2000-06	2004	2005	2006
TEXTILE									
European Union (25)	70.43	-	-	32.9	30.7	4	11	-2	5
extra-EU (25) imports	23.82	-	-	9.7	10.4	7	14	2	11
United States	23.50	4.5	6.2	9.5	10.2	7	13	9	4
China a, e	16.36	1.9	4.9	7.6	7.1	4	8	1	6
Hong Kong, China	13.97	5.2	9.4	8.2	6.1	0	9	-2	1
retained imports	0.59	3.7	3.8	0.9	0.3	-14	-17	14	5
Japan	6.18	3.0	3.8	2.9	2.7	4	11	4	6
Mexico a, f	5.95	0.2	0.9	3.5	2.6	0	5	5	-2
Turkey c	4.69	0.1	0.5	1.3	2.0	14	21	6	6
Canada f	4.38	2.3	2.2	2.5	1.9	1	7	5	1
Korea, Republic of	3.91	0.7	1.8	2.0	1.7	3	8	5	10
Russian Federation c, f	3.61	-	-	0.8	1.6	18	18	25	26
Romania	3.33	...	0.1	1.0	1.4	12	16	-1	1
United Arab Emirates c, d	3.30	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.4	...	36	1	...
Viet Nam c, d	3.13	...	...	0.8	1.4	...	16	10	...
Thailand	2.06	0.3	0.8	1.0	0.9	4	13	8	4
India b, c	1.99	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.9	23	26	39	3
Above 15	153.40	-	-	68.2	66.8	-	-	-	-
CLOTHING									
European Union (25)	141.2	-	-	39.7	43.6	9	16	5	8
extra-EU (25) imports	79.6	-	-	20.8	24.6	11	16	8	12
United States	83.0	16.4	24.0	32.2	25.6	4	6	6	4
Japan	23.9	3.6	7.8	9.5	7.4	3	11	4	6
Hong Kong, China	18.9	-	-	-	-	3	7	8	2
retained imports	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Russian Federation b, e	8.1	-	-	1.3	2.5	20	34	23	2
Canada e	6.8	1.7	2.1	1.8	2.1	11	16	14	14
Switzerland	4.7	3.4	3.1	1.5	1.4	7	9	8	-1
Korea, Republic of	3.7	0.0	0.1	0.6	1.2	19	8	6	29
Australia e	3.3	0.8	0.6	0.9	1.0	10	22	17	5
Mexico a, e	2.5	0.3	0.5	1.7	0.8	-6	-15	-2	0
Singapore	2.5	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.8	5	7	-5	17
retained imports b	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	5	14	7	12
Turkey b	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.7	44	54	21	203
Norway	2.0	1.7	1.1	0.6	0.6	7	8	11	7
United Arab Emirates b, d	2.0	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.6	...	40	7	...
China a	1.7	0.1	0.0	0.6	0.5	6	8	6	6
Above 15	287.6	-	-	91.9	88.8	-	-	-	-

a Includes significant shipments through processing zones

b Includes Secretariat estimates.

c Figures refer to fiscal year.

d 2005 instead of 2006

e Imports are valued f.o.b.