

It may be remarked that many articles of import, which are really the produce of South America and the West Indies, are credited to the United States, from which country they are bought at second-hand, such as coffee, sugar, hides, &c.

Value of imports entered for home consumption in the years named, showing the countries from which imported, and the proportion in each case to the total value.

COUNTRIES.	Value of Imports entered for Home Consumption, 1876.	Per-centage.	Value of Imports entered for Home Consumption, 1886.	Per-centage.	Value of Imports entered for Home Consumption, 1896.	Per-centage.
<i>British Empire.</i>						
	£		£		£	
Great Britain .....	40,734,260	43·00	40,601,199	40·76	32,979,742	29·82
British West Indies .....	868,846	0·92	1,443,102	1·45	1,029,569	0·93
" East Indies .....	4,644	.....	117,105	0·12	357,516	0·32
" Africa .....	290,359	0·32	249,328	0·25	75,021	0·07
" Guiana .....	114,906	0·12	100,002	0·10	181,389	0·17
Australasia .....	50	.....	13,795	0·01	213,536	0·19
Newfoundland .....	774,5·6	0·81	384,321	0·39	531,412	0·50
Other British Possessions .....	.....	.....	77,748	0·08	6,403	0·01
Total .....	42,787,651	45·17	42,986,600	43·16	35,394,588	32·01
<i>Foreign Countries.</i>						
United States .....	46,070,033	48·63	44,858,039	45·04	58,574,024	52·97
France .....	1,840,877	1·94	1,975,218	1·98	2,810,942	2·54
Germany .....	482,587	0·51	2,155,523	2·16	5,931,459	5·36
Austria .....	14,270	0·02	70,559	0·07	203,713	0·19
Belgium .....	361,053	0·38	510,907	0·51	920,758	0·83
China .....	328,462	0·35	946,264	0·95	1,027,757	0·93
Japan .....	619,777	0·65	1,486,321	1·49	1,643,661	1·49
Dutch East Indies .....	118,969	0·13	73,846	0·07	316,289	0·29
French West Indies .....	47,158	0·05	11,090	0·01	4,618	.....
Spanish West Indies .....	631,140	0·67	1,685,723	1·69	850,172	0·77
Greece .....	42,371	0·04	108,597	0·11	92,134	0·08
Holland .....	267,079	0·28	301,972	0·30	299,852	0·27
Italy .....	40,412	0·04	106,697	0·11	230,917	0·21
Norway and Sweden .....	1,631	.....	34,811	0·04	45,150	0·04
Portugal .....	71,655	0·08	56,477	0·06	46,596	0·04
Russia .....	42,828	0·04	10,921	0·01	15,974	0·01
Spain .....	436,034	0·46	379,465	0·38	361,778	0·33
Spanish Possessions, all other .....	.....	.....	329,164	0·33	864,739	0·78
Switzerland .....	56,168	0·06	203,085	0·20	332,120	0·30
Turkey .....	1,731	.....	145,018	0·15	143,638	0·13
Brazil .....	286,283	0·30	1,100,905	1·11	113,065	0·10
South America .....	1,270	.....	16,713	0·02	272,573	0·25
Hawaii .....	55,165	0·06	125	.....	2,929	.....
Other Foreign Countries .....	*128,612	0·14	48,594	0·05	88,034	0·08
Total .....	51,945,567	54·83	56,616,094	56·84	75,192,892	67·99
Grand total .....	94,733,218	100·00	99,602,694	100·00	110,587,480	100·00

\*Includes Dutch West Indies, \$55,455; Danish West Indies, \$18,514; Asia, \$32,460.