

Average rate of duty paid on dutiable goods imported into the United States, 1894-98.

	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.
A. Articles of food and animals	31·41	34·11	35·32	37·97	61·30
B. " " in a crude state	28·37	21·99	21·55	20·11	25·20
C. " " wholly or partially manufactured ..	41·04	33·29	30·38	29·10	30·44
D. Manufactured articles for consumption ..	56·72	43·69	40·33	40·13	49·70
E. Luxuries	63·80	56·25	55·50	62·13	57·43
Average rate.....	50·06	41·75	39·95	42·17	48·75

A comparative Summary of the value and duty collected on the principal articles imported for home consumption in the last two years will be found in the following table, dutiable goods being distinguished from those admitted free :—

Articles.	IMPORTS FOR HOME CONSUMPTION.			
	Value, 1897.	Duty Collect'd, 1897.	Value, 1898.	Duty Collected, 1898.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ale, beer and port r	144,817	65,245	155,048	69,319
Anti-septic surgical dressings	20,485	4,063	24,401	4,757
Cattle	52,709	10,542	35,136	7,027
Horses	98,649	19,731	293,485	58,695
Sheep	80,715	16,143	88,001	17,600
Swine	11,603	5,481	1,250	353
Animals, N.E.S.	19,219	3,844	17,934	3,587
Baking powders	79,857	17,497	101,955	22,504
Belts, surgical, trusses, &c.	17,224	4,146	10,546	2,077
" " all kinds, N.E.S.	41,573	12,886	61,229	20,575
Bells and gongs	22,965	6,048	16,906	5,055
Blacking, shoe, and shoemakers' ink ..	24,885	6,192	19,342	4,738
Blueing, laundry, all kinds	20,550	4,974	19,176	4,285
Books, periodicals, &c., and other printed matter	814,163	201,962	956,261	181,011
Bookbinders' tools and implements, &c.	22,434	2,240	*	*
Boot, shoe and stay laces	56,459	16,558	68,890	18,488
Boots and shoes, and slippers, all kinds, except rubber and leather			47,916	11,440
Braces or suspenders, and parts of	61,186	21,240	60,211	19,873
Brass and manufactures of	325,792	92,789	346,687	97,361
Breadstuffs, &c., viz. :—				
Arrowroot and tapioca	26,735	5,533	35,000	8,619
Biscuits, all kinds	41,877	11,017	39,696	10,219
Macaroni and vermicelli	18,984	4,748	22,812	5,410
Rice	145,355	100,208	245,610	111,596
" uncleaned	58,032	19,394	87,095	40,175
" and sago flour and sago	11,283	2,819	13,804	3,430
Indian corn (see also Free Goods) ..	512,505	134,103	63,576	15,359
Wheat	37,739	8,811	42,404	6,966
Cornmeal	33,716	7,957	146,337	20,944
Flour, wheat	94,379	19,152	148,227	21,355
Other breadstuffs	153,975	32,736	259,604	50,531
Total breadstuffs	1,134,580	346,478	1,104,165	324,604

*Included in printing presses.