

Average rate of duty paid on dutiable goods imported into the United States, 1895-99.

	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.
A. Articles of food and animals.....	34·11	35·32	37·97	61·30	66·44
B. " in a crude state.....	21·99	21·55	20·11	25·16	26·15
C. " wholly or partially manufactured.	33·29	30·38	29·10	30·44	29·17
D. Manufactured articles for consumption....	43·69	40·33	40·13	49·74	52·28
E. Luxuries.....	56·25	55·50	62·13	57·43	55·50
Average rate.....	41·75	39·95	42·17	48·75	52·07

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, 1898.	Duty Collected, 1898.	Value, 1899.	Duty Collected, 1899.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ale, beer and porter.....	155,048	69,319	168,271	70,622
Anti-septic surgical dressings.....	24,401	4,757	20,838	4,049
Cattle.....	35,136	7,027	31,288	6,258
Horses.....	293,485	58,695	413,064	82,613
Sheep.....	88,001	17,600	86,701	17,367
Swine.....	1,250	353	9,358	2,880
Animals, N.E.S.....	17,934	3,587	43,888	8,776
Baking powders.....	101,955	22,504	93,653	20,314
Baskets, all kinds.....	15,035	4,168	25,562	6,966
Belting, all kinds, except rubber and leather.....	19,440	3,670	27,072	4,669
Belts, surgical, trusses, &c.....	10,546	2,077	14,435	2,784
" all kinds, N.E.S.....	61,229	20,575	53,341	16,864
Bells and gongs.....	16,906	5,055	20,702	6,175
Blacking, shoe, and shoemakers' ink..	19,342	4,738	27,557	6,523
Blueing, laundry, all kinds.....	19,176	4,285	20,911	4,144
Books, periodicals, &c., and other printed matter.....	956,261	181,011	1,143,920	201,577
Boot, shoe and stay laces.....	68,890	18,488	65,192	15,848
Boots and shoes, and slippers, all kinds except rubber and leather.....	47,916	11,440	51,636	11,438
Braces or suspenders, and parts of....	60,211	19,873	72,973	22,960
Brass and manufactures of.....	346,687	97,361	427,256	117,620
Breadstuffs, &c., viz. :—				
Arrowroot and tapioca.....	35,000	8,619	39,959	8,018
Biscuits, all kinds.....	39,696	10,219	38,085	9,319
Macaroni and vermicelli.....	22,812	5,410	32,315	7,905
Rice, cleaned.....	245,610	141,596	234,947	120,458
" uncleaned.....	87,095	40,175	186,676	68,458
" and sago flour and sago.....	13,804	3,430	19,602	4,195
* Indian corn (see also Free Goods)	63,576	15,359	218,163	49,520
Wheat.....	42,404	6,966	21,547	4,267
Cornmeal.....	146,337	20,944	82,289	12,095
Beans.....	42,591	6,209	45,793	7,092

\* For purposes of distillation.