

PIERS Imports (U.S. Ports)

FILE DESCRIPTION

The **PIERS Imports (U.S. Ports)** database offers timely, accurate and complete import information on global cargo entering seaports in the United States. PIERS monitors global shipments of goods and commodities on everything from raw materials to consumer goods. PIERS reporters throughout the country collect import information obtained from vessel manifests and U.S. Customs Automated Manifest Systems (AMS) from all U.S. ports. To ensure accuracy, the PIERS quality-assurance staff audits and cross-checks shipping documentation. Ship lines along with importers and exporters that subscribe to PIERS verify their own shipments and notify PIERS of any discrepancies among the shipment records. Due to PIERS quality assurance procedures, there is up to a two-month lag between vessel arrivals and the loading of data into the file.

SUBJECT COVERAGE

PIERS global trade information and niche market services are invaluable resources for companies involved in international trade. Use PIERS to:

- Identify emerging markets and sales opportunities
- Find new sources of supply and demand
- Benchmark your performance against the competition
- Monitor legal/contractual trade activity
- Research and analyse international trade trends
- Increase your market knowledge to support strategic decision-making

SOURCES

PIERS' own staff of reporters located in Customs Houses cover arriving and departing waterborne traffic at 75 U.S. seaports. All waterborne international trade movements are captured: containerized, break bulk, dry bulk, and tanker.

TIPS

USE FILE 573

to track countries with the highest number of exports of a particular product; to track what products your competitors are importing.

USE PRE-FORMATTED REPORT

to view the top importers by weight of shipments; use REPORT S1/IMPORTER (enter HELP RATES 573 online for cost information).

DIALOG FILE DATA

Inclusive Dates: January 2006 to current

Update Frequency: Weekly

Varies, averaging 166,000

File Size: 41,355,631 records as of February 2011

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SAMPLE RECORD

/PS
 PC=,PN=,PN
 LB=
 NU=,UM=
 PD=,PY=
 /CO, CO=, EX=
 CX=,CE=,CR=
 /CO,CO=,IM=
 CY=,ST=
 NP=,NC=
 UP=,UC=

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Product Imported: WIND TURBINE
 Product Code: 6607000 (TURBINES; WATER,PARTS,NOS)
 Weight of Cargo: 76808 POUNDS
 Number of Units of Cargo: 64 PACKS AND PACKAGES

Date of Arrival (YY/MM/DD): 020504

Exporter: DAN CONTROL ENGINEERING
 Company Location: ODENSE, DENMARK (409)

U.S.-Based Importer: INTL TURBINE RESEARCH
 Company Location: PACHECO, CA

Point of Origin: COPENHAGEN (40948), DENMARK (409)

U.S. Port of Discharge: OAKLAND (2811)

SAMPLE IMPORTER REPORT
 ? REPORT S10/IMPORTER
 Sorting 94 records
 PIERS REPORT processing begins...
 Enter title of up to 80 characters
 ? WIND TURBINES IMPORTERS
 There are 45 importers (ranked by weight of shipments) in this report.
 If you wish to view all of these importer listings, please press 'Y'.
 If not, please enter the number of importers which you wish to view.
 ?Y

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WIND TURBINES IMPORTERS

1. ACCIONA WIND POWER, CHICAGO, IL

Product Description	Country of Origin	Arrival Date	Weight (Pounds)	Quantity
SET OF PARTS OF WIND TURBINES	NIGERIA	110203	43695	2 PACKS
Exporter: WIND ENERGY COMERCIALIZADORA SLU, GUIPUZCOA, SPAIN				
SET OF PARTS OF WIND TURBINES	NIGERIA	110224	970	2 PACKS
Exporter: ACCIONA WINDPOWER SA, SARRIGUREN, SPAIN				
SET OF PARTS OF WIND TURBINES	PORTUGL	110212	423	2 PACKS
Exporter: NEM NUEVAS EMPRESAS DE MELIDA, ORCOYEN, SPAIN				
SET OF PARTS OF WIND TURBINES	PORTUGL	110212	6437	7 PACKS
Exporter: APLICACIONES MECANICAS DEL CAUCHO S,ASTEASU, SPAIN				
(...)				

>>>Total shipped 821,440. pounds

2. JW ENTERPRISE, YORBA LINDA, CA

Product Description	Country of Origin	Arrival Date	Weight (Pounds)	Quantity
WIND TURBINE	KOR REP	110228	429897	25 CASES
Exporter: HYUNDAI HEAVY INDUSTRIES, SEOUL, KOR REP				

>>>Total shipped 429,897. pounds

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SEARCH OPTIONS

BASIC INDEX

SEARCH SUFFIX	DISPLAY CODE	REPORT (FIELD LENGTH)	FIELD NAME	INDEXING	SELECT EXAMPLES
— /CN	— CN	— CN (12)	All Basic Index Fields Country of Port of Origin ¹	Word Word & Phrase	S WIND(W)TURBINE? S CHINA?/CN S NEW ZEALAND/CN
/CO /PN /PS	CO PN PS	CO (32) PN (25) PS (32)	Company Name (Importer/Exporter) ¹ Product Name ² Product Shipped ²	Word Word Word	S SUNNY(W)INTL?/CO S FIREWORKS/PN S FIREWORKS/PS

¹ Searchable in the Basic Index and in the Additional Indexes.

² For best results, searching a term in both the PS and PN fields is recommended, e.g., S FIREWORKS/PS,PN.

ADDITIONAL INDEXES

SEARCH PREFIX	DISPLAY CODE	REPORT (FIELD LENGTH)	FIELD NAME	INDEXING	SELECT EXAMPLES
—	AZ	—	DIALOG Accession Number		
CC=	CC	CC (14)	Country Code of Port of Origin ³	Phrase	S CC=570
CE=	CE	CE (12)	Country of Exporter	Phrase	S CE=HG KONG
CN=	CN	CN (12)	Country of Port of Origin ¹	Phrase	S CN=CHINA?
CO=	CO	CO (32)	Company Name (Importer/Exporter) ¹	Phrase	S CO=SUNNY INTL?
CR=	CR	CR (14)	Country Code of Exporter ³	Phrase	S CR=582
CX=	CX	CX (15)	City of Exporter	Phrase	S CX=KOWLOON
CY=	CY	CY (15)	City of U.S. Importer	Phrase	S CY=NEW CASTLE
EX=	EX	EX (32)	Company Name of Exporter	Phrase	S EX=SUNNY INTL?
IM=	IM	—	Company Name of U.S. Importer	Phrase	S IM=IM=ZAMBELLI INTL FIREWORKS?
LB=	LB	LB (12)	Cargo Weight (in Pounds) ⁷	Numeric	S LB>=45000
NC=	NC	NC (10)	Point of Origin Code ³	Phrase	S NC=57099
NP=	NP	NP (15)	Point of Origin City	Phrase	S NP=HUANGPU
NU=	NU	NU (12)	Number of Units of Cargo	Numeric	S NU=1172
PC=	PC	PC (9)	Product Code ³	Phrase	S PC=7551000
PD=	PD	PD (8)	Date of Arrival ⁶	Phrase	S PD=20020828
PN=	PN	PN (25)	Product Name ^{4,5}	Phrase	S PN=FIREWORKS?
PY=	PY	PY (9)	Shipment Year ⁶	Phrase	S PY=2002
ST=	ST	ST (7)	State of U.S. Importer	Phrase	S ST=PA
UC=	UC	UC (6)	U.S. Port Code ³	Phrase	S UC=2704
UD=	—	—	Update	Phrase	S UD=9999
UM=	UM	UM (12)	Units of Measure	Phrase	S UM=CARTONS?
UP=	UP	UP (15)	U.S. Port Name	Phrase	S UP=LOS ANGELES

³ For a list of all codes, contact PIERS.

⁴ Includes Product Shipped and Product Name.

⁵ Index is rotated, e.g., PN=TURBINE // WATER.

⁶ To search for records by Date of Shipment, do not use ">" or "<" operators; instead use complete dates on each side of the range, e.g., S PD=20100601:20110131, or S PY=2010:2011 .

⁷ Values are rounded down.

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SPECIAL FEATURES

For command descriptions, enter HELP LIMIT, HELP SORT, HELP RANK, HELP CURRENT online.

LIMIT	/YYYY -- Shipment Year	S S2/2002
SORT	CC, CE, CN, CO, CR, CX, CY, EX, IM, LB, NC, NP, PC, PD, PS, PY, ST, UC, UP	SORT S13/ALL/CE/CO PRINT S5/5/1-24/LB
RANK	All phrase- and numeric-indexed fields in the Additional Indexes can be ranked.	RANK CN
CURRENT	Search only the most recent year plus one (CURRENT1) to five (CURRENT5) years.	B 573 CURRENT2

PREDEFINED FORMAT OPTIONS

NO.	DIALOGWEB FORMAT	RECORD CONTENT
1	--	DIALOG Accession Number
2	--	Full Record except Weight of Cargo, Number of Units of Cargo, and Units of Measure
3	Medium	Product Description, Product Code, Company Name (U.S.Importer), and Company Location
4	--	Product Description, Product Code, Cargo Weight, Date of Shipment, Point of Origin City and Code, Country, U.S. Port Name, and U.S. Port Code
5	Long	Full Record
6	Short	Product Name, Product Code, and Date of Shipment ⁴
8	--	Product Name, Product Code, and Date of Shipment ⁴
9	Full	Full Record
K	--	KWIC (Key Word In Context) displays a window of text; may be used alone or with other formats

OTHER OUTPUT OPTIONS

For an explanation, enter HELP TYPE, HELP REPORT, HELP PREFORM, HELP UDF, HELP TAG online.

REPORT	Output can be displayed in table format. REPORT codes with field lengths in parentheses are listed in the Search Options tables. Default table width is 72 characters; use SET H 132 to set maximum table width.	REPORT S1/PN,CN,CY/1-20
PREFORMATTED REPORT	IMPORTER REPORTS. The IMPORTER preformatted report provides a list of importers by product ranked by weight of shipment. SELECT the product of interest, then REPORT Sn/IMPORTER.	REPORT S2/IMPORTER
USER DEFINED FORMATS	User-defined formats can be specified using the display codes indicated in the Search Options tables.	TYPE S3/CO,ST/1-5
TAG	TAG can be used for tagged fields.	TYPE S2/3/1-5 TAG
DIRECT RECORD ACCESS	DIALOG Accession Number	TYPE 00014518/5 DISPLAY 0014518/CO,PN PRINT 0014518

FOR ONLINE HELP:

See HELP FIELDS 573 for searchable fields; HELP FORMAT 573 for output formats; HELP LIMIT 573 for limits; HELP RATES 573 for cost information; HELP SORT 573 for sorts.