

Kindly find below the summary of provisional figures of Import of gems & jewellery items during April 2009 as compared to same period last year.

NET IMPORTS OF GEMS & JEWELLERY

ITEMS	Apr-09 (Provisional)		April'08 (Same ports as current year)		% Growth / decline over previous Year	
	Rs. In Crores	US \$ in Million	Rs. In Crores	US \$ in Million	Rs.	US \$
Rough Diamonds (Quantity in Lakh Carats)	2342.58 (82.39)	457.98	4035.36 (153.805)	997.62	-41.95	-54.09
Gold Bar	640.13	125.15	514.66	127.23	24.38	-1.63
Others **	21.23	4.16	166.85	41.25	-87.27	-89.92
Total	3003.95	587.28	4716.88	1166.10	-36.31	-49.64
Cut & Polished Diamonds	2188.94	427.94	2659.08	657.38	-17.68	-34.90
Others ***	202.13	39.52	206.92	51.16	-2.32	-22.75
Total Imports	5395.01	1054.74	7582.88	1874.63	-28.85	-43.74

NOTE :

1) ** Data of Rough Col. Gemstone, Raw Pearls, Rough Synthetic stones, Silver Bar & Platinum.

2) *** Data of Gold Finding/Mounting/Casting, Gold Jewellery, Non-Gold Jewellery & Col. Gemstones.

3. Above Figures for Rough Diamonds are Gross Imports (without subtracting export of rough diamonds)

i) Figs for Gold Bar from SBI,Corporation Bank, Bank of India & Union Bank of India not included in April 2009 data

Exchange Rate

April 2009 1 US\$=Rs. 51.15

April-2008 1 US\$=Rs. 40.45