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CHEMICAL IMPORTS FROM CANADA

A number of petrochemicals and chemical products were imported from Canada to South Korea during the last several years. They are EG(ethylene glycol), EDC(ethylene dichloride) and carbon black. Due to the price competition among the country origins, import volume change over the years. The import volumes are shown below for 2004, 2005, and 2006.

(1) EG(ethylene glycol)

(unit: metric tons)

	2004	2005	2006
Saudi Arabia	375,172	402,935	410,349
Canada	117,280	66,263	68,253
Taiwan	20,634	24,245	22,094
Japan	14,240	8,860	14,286
Total	604,599	544,744	517,085

(2) EDC(ethylene dichloride)

(unit: metric tons)

	2004	2005	2006
U.S.A.	274,145	304,575	281,821
Canada	19,475	4,767	129,273
Taiwan	-	-	25,344
Saudi Arabia	90,811	71,287	13,625
Brazil	60,316	36,310	12,634
Japan	35,319	54,560	2,920
Total	490,957	475,737	463,616

(3) Carbon Black

(unit: metric tons)

	2004	2005	2006
China	621	2,692	7,367
U.S.A.	3,406	3,348	2,932
Japan	2,362	2,721	2,662
Thailand	-	-	2,125
Canada	1,225	1,789	1,630
Total	10,203	12,631	19,661

Source: The Alberta Korea Office

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