

Gem Stones

**Table 1.—U.S. imports for consumption of precious and semiprecious stones,
exclusive of industrial diamond**

Stones	1965		1966	
	Quan- tity (thou- sands)	Value (thou- sands)	Quan- tity (thou- sands)	Value (thou- sands)
Diamond:				
Rough or uncut, suitable for cutting into gem stones -----carats---	1,901	\$175,457	2,032	\$208,039
Cut but unset, suitable for jewelry ----do----	1,259	131,828	1,452	165,737
Emerald: Cut but unset -----do-----	190	5,397	220	6,025
Rubies and sapphires: cut but unset suitable for jewelry -----	NA	4,769	NA	7,163
Marcasites: Real and imitation, dutiable -----	NA	3	NA	5
Pearls and parts, not strung or set:				
Natural -----	NA	592	NA	733
Cultured or cultivated -----	NA	21,674	NA	21,236
Imitation -----	NA	415	NA	506
Other precious or semiprecious stones:				
Rough or uncut -----	NA	2,728	NA	2,433
Cut but unset -----	NA	r 3,630	NA	4,972
Other n.s.p.f. -----	NA	218	NA	320
Imitation:				
Cut but unset, synthetic -----number--	2,526	1,007	2,699	1,178
Other -----	NA	r 6,131	NA	8,341
Total -----	NA	r 353,849	NA	426,733

r Revised.

NA Not available.

Table 2.—U.S. imports for consumption of diamond (exclusive of industrial diamond), by countries

(Thousand carats and thousand dollars)

Country	1965				1966			
	Rough or uncut		Cut but unset		Rough or uncut		Cut but unset	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Belgium-Luxembourg								
Brazil	75	\$7,597	680	\$73,923	72	\$9,520	787	\$94,353
British West Africa	4	293	1	97	4	425		
Canada					2	325		
Central African Republic	7	1,138	(¹)	44	10	1,663	(¹)	16
France	144	8,365			187	9,835		
Germany, West	2	70	16	1,665	3	211	18	1,902
Ghana			19	1,370	(¹)	1	17	1,441
Guinea	3	146	(¹)	16	20	464		
Guyana	2	205			1	66		
India	19	742		5	25	995	(¹)	8
Ireland			2	342				720
Israel	4	71	(¹)	3	56	2,248	2	101
Japan	57	3,310	473	42,134	36	3,096	525	51,446
Liberia	(¹)	8	1	142	(¹)	6	1	78
Netherlands	7	674			16	1,831		
Sierra Leone	34	4,094	21	2,835	49	8,825	21	3,013
South Africa, Republic of	44	2,818			161	7,705	(¹)	53
Switzerland	159	15,330	27	6,166	121	13,023	28	7,001
U.S.S.R.	104	9,879	1	633	69	8,504	1	422
United Kingdom			11	1,410			29	3,391
Venezuela	1,142	113,481	6	857	1,106	131,809	10	1,354
Western Africa, n.e.c. ²	54	1,950			66	2,525		
Western Portuguese Africa, n.e.c.	35	4,903			21	3,446		
Other countries	2	124			7	1,445		
	3	259	1	186	(¹)	71	5	438
Total	1,901	175,457	1,259	131,828	2,032	208,039	1,452	165,737

¹ Less than ½ unit.² Not elsewhere classified.**Table 3.—World production of gem diamond, by countries**

(Thousand carats)

Country	1965	1966
Africa:		
Angola	878	964
Central African Republic	268	270
Congo (Brazzaville) ^{1,2,e}	318	313
Congo (Kinshasa)	14	15
Ghana	225	282
Guinea ^e	21	21
Ivory Coast	r 119	110
Liberia ^e	277	343
Sierra Leone	658	629
Republic of South Africa:		
Pipe mines:		
Premier	r 610	625
De Beers group ³	r 985	1,429
Other	r 123	131
Alluvial	r 230	300
South-West Africa	r 1,491	1,583
Tanzania	414	473
Total Africa	r 6,631	7,493
Other countries:		
Brazil ^e	175	150
Guyana	45	37
India	4	2
U.S.S.R. ^e	300	300
Venezuela	46	42
World total⁴	7,201	8,024

^e Estimated. ^r Revised.¹ Exports.² Probable origin, Congo (Kinshasa).³ Includes some alluvial from De Beers Properties.⁴ Does not include minor world production.