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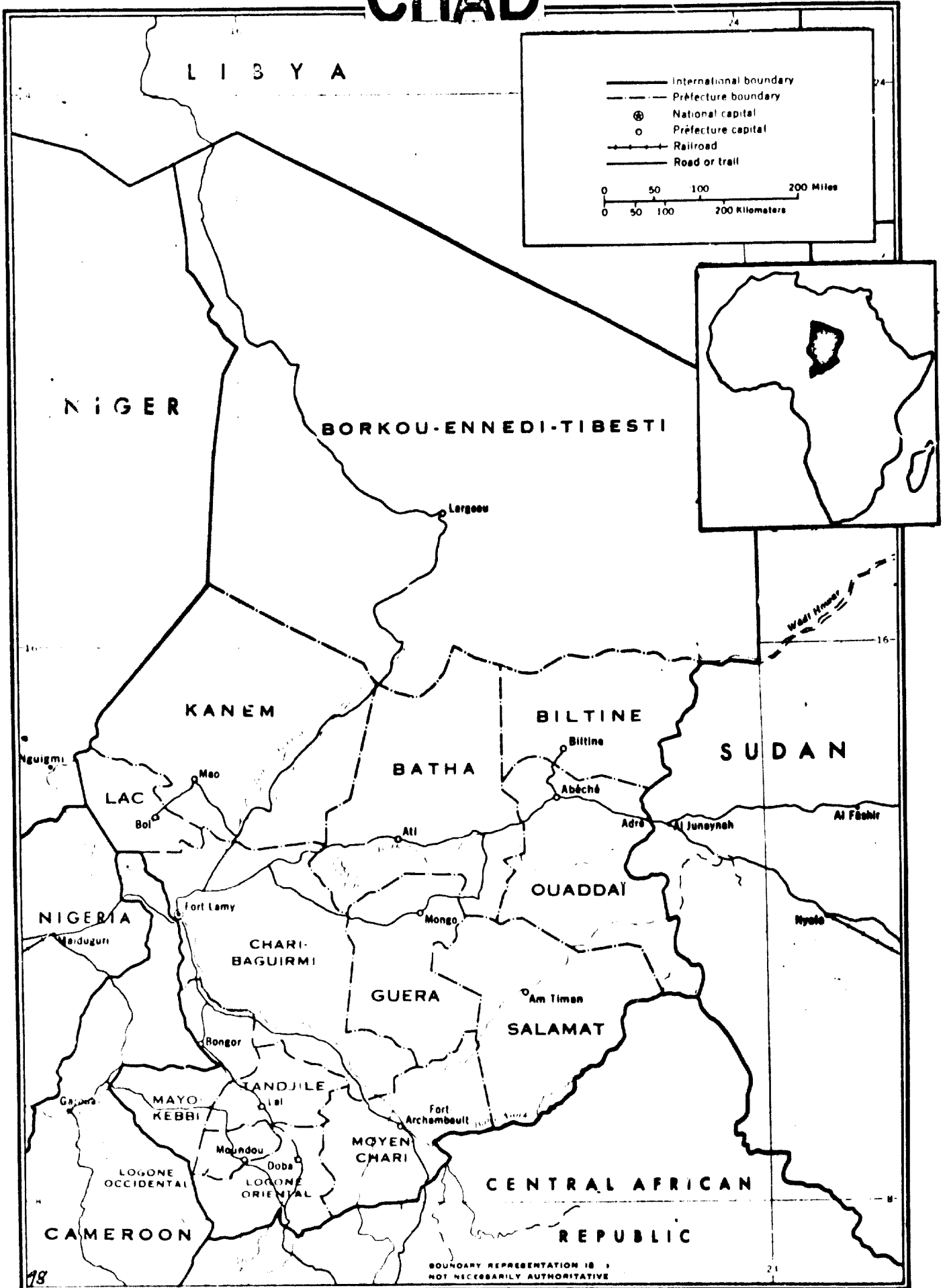
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ECONOMIC BACKGROUND HIGHLIGHTS

A. THE COUNTRY AND ITS PEOPLE

1) ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY:

- a) AREA: 495,750 sq. miles; 1,284,000 sq. km.
- b) GEOGRAPHY AND CLIMATE: The Chad is bordered by Libya to the north, Sudan to the east, the Central African Republic to the south and south west, and Nigeria to the west. The south is a semi tropical humid zone. The centre is a sudanese (dry tropical) and Sahara climate. The north is Sahara desert zone.
- c) POPULATION: 3,450,000 with a rate of annual increase of 1.5%
- d) LANGUAGES: The official language is french.
- e) MAIN CENTRES: The main cities are:
 - Fort-Lamy (Capital): 130,000
 - Fort-Archambault: 35,000
 - Moundou: 30,000
 - Abéché: 24,500
- f) TRANSPORT FACILITIES: - There are 18,750 miles of roads and tracks and 1,350 miles of main roads.
 - There is no railway line (even though the idea of prolonging the trans-Cameroon line into Chad is now being studied).
 - The airport at Fort-Lamy can be used by 4 engined jets.

2) POLITICAL STATUS AND GOVERNMENT

STRUCTURE IN THE ECONOMIC FIELD: The proclamation of independence was on August 1960. Chad is associated to the EEC and she is a member of the OAU and OCAM. She is also on the Niger River Commission and the Chad Basin Commission. The Ministries in the economic field are:
Ministry of Economy, Finance and Transport
Ministry of Planning
Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Production
Ministry of Water, Forests, Hunting and Fishing
Secretary of State for Agriculture
Secretary of State for the Economy, Finance and Transport

Sources: AID Data Book - Africa 1969

- EUROPA Year Book 1969
- Africa 1969/70 - The editorial staff of "Jeune Afrique"
- IBRD The Economy of the Republic of Chad 1968

B. BASIC ECONOMIC DATA

1) ECONOMIC INDICATORS:

a) NATIONAL CURRENCY: The Currency unit is CFA francs. The rate of exchange is US\$ 1 = CFAF 275.

b) GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT: (1965 current prices) CFAF billion 59.0
 Per Capita: CFAF 17,630 (US\$ 71.4) in 1965
 (Primary Sector: 54.1%
 in 1963 (Secondary Sector: 8.1%
 (Transport, Trade, Services: 37.8%
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Rate of growth, 1958-1963
 5.7% (at current prices)

c) PER CAPITA INCOME: US\$ 60 in 1963.

d) CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: The prices have increased by approximately 37% over the six years period 1960-1966, an annual rate of 5.4%

e) BALANCE OF PAYMENTS:

	<u>in billions of CFAF</u>	
	<u>1966 Estimate</u>	
Total Exports	8.23	
Total Imports	12.38	
Trade Balance	-4.15	
Services	-2.30	
Total	-6.45	
Transfer Payments	+2.96	
Balance of Current Account		- 3.49 =====
Public Capital Transaction	0.51	
Private Capital Transaction	1.00	
Monetary Movements (increase -)	2.06	
Errors and Omission	-0.08	3.12 =====

2) NATURAL RESOURCES: - The agricultural land is 40% of the area or 128 million acres of which 20 million acres are arable and 111 million used for pastures. Cotton is the principal cash crop and accounts for 78% of total exports.
 - Livestock products are second to cotton in exports.
 - Forests are 10% of the area.
 - Natron (salt) is the only mineral now produced and exported. Traces of tungsten and low-grade shale oil have been found.

3) LABOUR FORCE: 950,000 are economically active in economy of which 550,000 self-employed farmers; 260,000 nomadic herders; 60,000 salaried; 50,000 agricultural workers; 25,000 artisans and merchants; 5,000 fishermen (1966).

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4) ORIGIN OF GDP: (in millions of CFA Francs)

	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>%</u>
Agriculture	26,109	27,755	28,156	54.1
Industry	1,948	1,894	2,092	4.0
Construction	1,653	1,776	2,139	4.1
Transport	554	533	589	1.1
Commerce	9,519	10,325	10,437	19.9
Services	1,074	1,240	1,268	2.4
Government Services	6,042	6,700	7,170	13.6
Salaries of domestics	380	408	432	0.9
Total	<u>47,279</u>	<u>50,631</u>	<u>52,583</u>	<u>100.0</u>
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5) MAIN INDUSTRIES: Food: Slaughter houses, dairies, oil mills, breweries, sugar refinery.

Textiles: 24 ginneries - bleaching - printing.

Various: Soap, bicycle assembly, radio assembly, brick works, perfumes, metal construction and industrial wood working, shoes and plastics, a national printer glass.

C. DEVELOPMENT PLAN

1) INVESTMENTS: The first five year plan (1966-70) presented a programme of expenditure totalling CFAF 47 billion. The plan places emphasis on agriculture, transport, industry, education and urban development as shown in this table:

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>Total</u>
Agriculture	1,756	3,195	3,714	2,675	1,080	13,320
Transport and Communi- cations	1,594	3,300	4,410	3,195	2,639	15,228
Education and Training	500	690	1,672	975	1,216	5,092
Public Health and Social Welfare	373	649	331	180	130	1,663
Broadcasting	137	116	57	37	212	589
Housing and Urban Development	402	661	672	989	996	3,720
Industry, Mining and Handicrafts	1,809	1,238	803	2,053	737	6,640
Tourism	31	24	100	176	200	531
Commerce	-	-	-	-	-	-
Studies and Research	30	86	58	30	16	220
Total	6,632	10,058	11,817	10,310	8,195	47,012

2) SOURCES OF FINANCING: (in millions of CFA Francs)

	<u>Total Plan</u>	Carryover from		Committed Under Study	
		<u>Interim Program</u>	<u>or</u>	<u>or</u>	<u>Discussion Balance</u>
		<u>1964-65</u>	<u>Assured</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>Grand Total</u>	<u>47,012</u>	<u>5,500</u>	<u>11,025</u>	<u>9,220</u>	<u>20,367</u>
<u>Public Sector</u>	<u>44,838</u>	<u>5,500</u>	<u>9,751</u>	<u>9,220</u>	<u>20,367</u>
Bilateral Aid)	35,277	5,490	4,387	6,446) 15,937
Multilateral Aid)		-	233	2,774	
Chad Public Sources	9,561	10	5,131	-	4,430
<u>Private Sector</u>	<u>2,174</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,174</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

D. FOREIGN TRADE DATA

1) FOREIGN TRADE BALANCE: (in million of CFA francs)

	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>
<u>Exports</u>					
France	2,062.6	3,092.3	3,597.1	3,040.1	2,856.3
Common Market (excl. France)	443.5	687.5	687.1	532.8	378.1
Other African Countries (excl. UDEAC)	1,032.5	1,127.0	1,100.7	1,340.6	1,254.6
Others	639.3	608.5	1,150.2	1,809.0	1,359.1
<u>TOTAL (excl. UDEAC)</u>	<u>4,177.9</u>	<u>5,605.3</u>	<u>6,544.1</u>	<u>6,722.5</u>	<u>5,848.1</u>
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<u>Imports</u>					
France	3,955.5	3,804.3	4,202.0	3,570.7	3,921.9
Common Market (excl. France)	791.5	733.3	1,117.8	834.0	841.2
Other African Countr. (excl. UDEAC)	746.3	675.3	838.3	650.9	471.4
Others	2,014.5	1,954.2	2,379.2	2,640.4	2,727.8
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>7,507.8</u>	<u>7,167.1</u>	<u>8,537.3</u>	<u>7,705.0</u>	<u>7,962.3</u>
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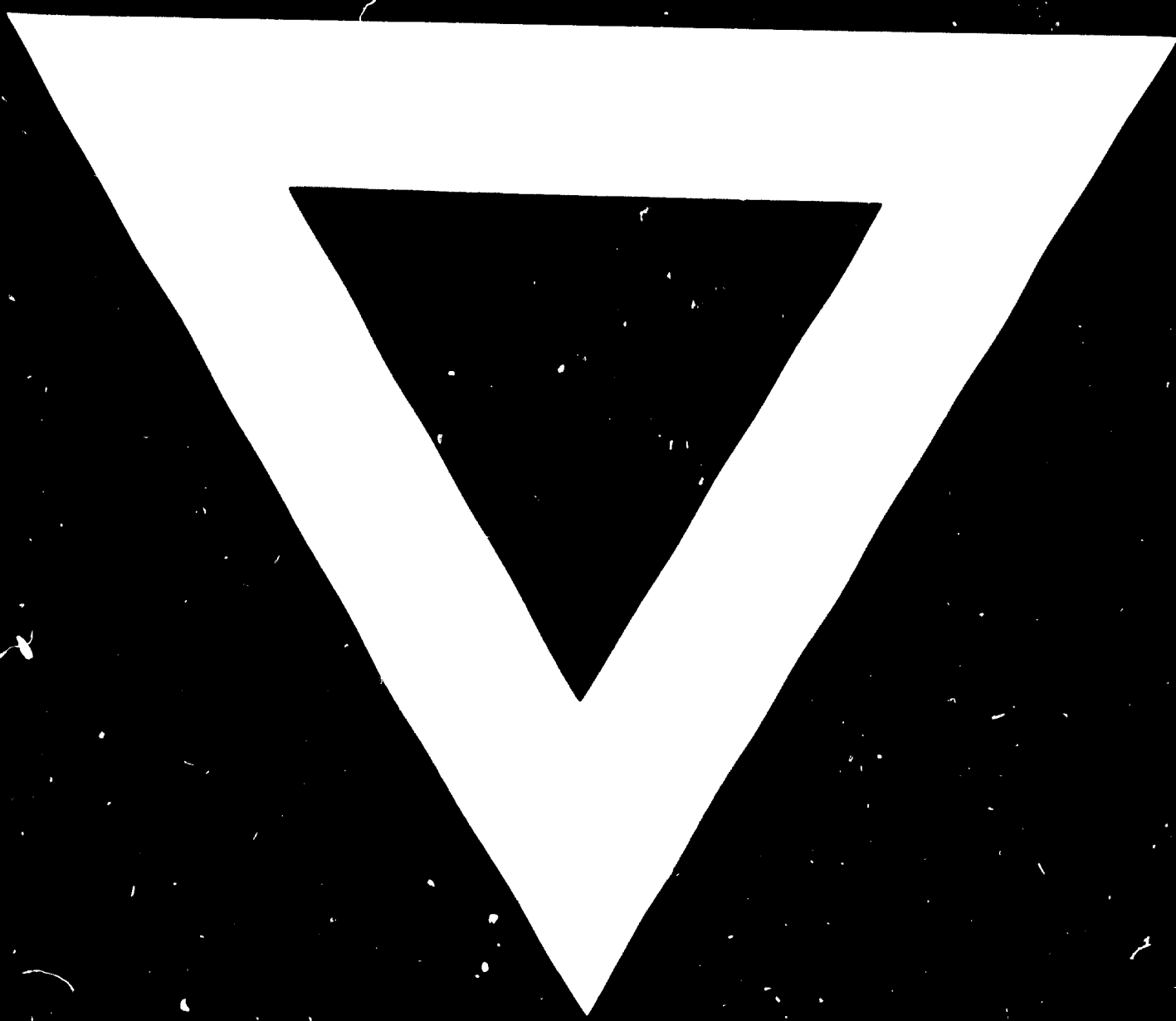
2) VALUE OF IMPORTS; MAIN PRODUCTS: (in millions of CFAF)

	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>
Dairy products and eggs	90.4	111.3	116.9	93.9	98.0
Tea	180.9	136.5	189.8	160.1	171.7
Wheat flour	132.0	164.2	129.3	16.9	32.0
Alcoholic beverages	350.0	318.7	370.4	252.9	233.0
Cement	370.5	101.1	176.7	128.4	155.7
Gasoline and gas oil	881.1	804.6	922.6	1267.2	940.6
Drugs	129.8	73.9	121.1	175.9	261.3
Tires and tubes	108.2	138.3	113.5	136.0	115.2
Cotton textiles	371.5	471.4	748.6	597.9	633.1
Clothes and shoes	280.0	302.1	385.6	307.8	229.5
Iron and steel manufacts.	480.5	492.9	603.9	391.0	293.8
Autos and trucks	732.2	533.8	441.8	522.7	603.3
Others	3400.7	3428.3	4217.1	3654.3	4195.1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>7507.8</u>	<u>7167.1</u>	<u>8537.3</u>	<u>7705.0</u>	<u>7962.3</u>
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3) VALUE OF EXPORTS; MAIN PRODUCTS: (in millions of CFA francs)

	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>
Live animals	422.8	594.1	466.5	608.1	691.1
Fresh meat	187.3	183.0	141.8	210.2	217.6
Fresh fish	36.7	35.9	31.3	24.6	11.3
Hides and skins	199.6	142.5	141.0	121.6	115.6
Cotton	2,886.0	4,313.5	5,173.0	5,206.8	4,508.6
Gum Arabic	52.0	23.3	37.4	30.4	65.0
Ground nuts	31.4	54.1	90.5	7.3	3.4
Oil cakes	20.2	20.6	22.9	14.1	22.0
Dates	12.3	24.0	7.9	3.0	9.6
Natron	35.9	57.0	46.6	63.3	13.5
Others	293.7	157.3	385.2	433.1	160.1
TOTAL	4,177.9	5,605.3	6,544.1	6,722.5	5,848.1
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