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## EXTERNAL TRADE

### PRELIMINARY DATA JUNE 1994

For the period January - June 1994 total merchandise was valued at US\$1,614.2 million, an increase of US\$70.5 million or 4.5 percent over the similar period of 1993. Imports valued at US\$1,014.2 million grew by 3.4 percent or US\$32.9 million while export earnings of US\$600.0 million moved up by US\$37.6 million or 6.7 percent. These movements in the trade have resulted in the deficit moving from US\$418.9 million to US\$414.2 million for the comparative period.

#### IMPORTS BY ECONOMIC FUNCTION (END-USE) AS AT JUNE 1994

##### (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 1(a)

US\$'000

END-USE CATEGORIES	JUNE 1994	MAY 1994	JAN.-JUNE 1994	JAN.-JUNE 1993
TOTAL	164,570	202,764	1,014,176	981,300
Consumer Goods	38,657	36,636	200,173	208,488
Food (incl. Beverages)	9,214	10,435	58,868	68,858
Non-Durable Goods	17,222	14,543	66,339	91,771
Semi-Durable Goods	2,852	1,542	11,642	11,996
Durable Goods - Motor Cars	6,010	5,525	32,753	10,178
Other Consumer Goods	3,359	4,591	30,571	25,685
Raw Materials	98,633	138,525	636,492	585,098
Food (incl. Beverages)	14,261	21,454	78,580	52,955
Industrial Supplies	49,285	59,167	323,862	283,293
Crude Oil	12,007	12,141	49,015	101,921
Other Fuels and Lubricants	10,121	28,272	97,994	66,307
Parts & Access. off Capital Goods	12,959	17,491	87,041	80,622
Capital Goods	27,280	27,603	177,511	187,714
Transport Equipment - Motor Car	1,379	1,160	14,357	39,802
Other Indus. Transport Equipment	5,052	3,989	31,296	36,059
Construction Materials	8,381	7,140	46,430	40,496
Machinery and Equipment	12,259	14,720	82,756	69,311
Other Capital Goods	209	594	2,672	2,046

The increase in imports was mainly as a result of an increase in the category "Raw Materials". This accounted for 62.8 percent of total imports an increase of US\$51.4 million or 8.8 percent. Imports for all sub-categories except "Crude Oil" increased. The major contributors to the increase were items needed for manufacturing "Food (incl. Beverages)" and "Other Fuels and Lubricants". These increased by 48.4 percent and 47.8 percent respectively.

The other categories "Consumer Goods" and "Capital Goods" showed a decline of 4.0 percent and 5.4 percent respectively. With the exception of the sub-categories "Durable Goods - Motor Cars" and "Other Consumer Goods" which registered increases of 221.0 percent and 19.0 percent respectively, the decline in the others contributed to the overall outcome. Imports of "Capital Goods" decreased by US\$10.2 million or 5.4 percent to US\$177.5 million (See Table 1a).

There were fairly significant increases in total exports of "Animal & Vegetable Oils and Fats" (50.0 percent), "Manufactured Goods" (44.4 percent) and "Misc. Manufactured Articles" (9.8 percent). The growth in these areas have contributed to the improvement in export earnings when compared to the 1993 period. (See Table 2a).

#### CARICOM

During the first six months of 1994 total imports from the region were valued at approximately US\$60.0 million an increase of US\$20.9 million over the comparable period. The major contributors to this growth were "Beverages and Tobacco" (352.6 percent), "Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)" (256.4 percent) and "Mineral Fuels" (716.6 percent).

Total exports valuing US\$27.8 million also registered an increase of US\$1.2 million or 4.4 percent. This was as a result of improvement in the areas especially "Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats", "Manufactured Goods" and "Misc. Manufactured Goods". (See Table 3a).

#### IMPORTS BY ECONOMIC FUNCTION (END-USE) AS AT JUNE 1994

##### (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 1 (b)	J\$'000			
END-USE CATEGORIES	JUNE 1994	MAY 1994	JAN.-JUNE 1994	JAN.-JUNE 1993
TOTAL	5,474,834	6,679,759	33,074,103	21,782,973
Consumer Goods	1,288,211	1,218,413	6,555,835	4,623,338
Food (incl. Beverages)	307,667	347,984	1,942,663	1,522,564
Non-Durable Goods	575,516	484,582	2,187,424	2,037,925
Semi-Durable Goods	95,317	51,147	381,123	266,426
Durable Goods - Motor Cars	198,535	182,284	1,049,857	226,040
Other Consumer Goods	111,176	152,416	994,768	570,383
Raw Materials	3,277,338	4,549,203	20,764,334	12,987,004
Food (incl. Beverages)	464,422	682,825	2,547,444	1,177,294
Industrial Supplies	1,644,232	1,943,944	10,566,309	6,279,805
Crude Oil	402,153	405,243	1,635,359	2,266,917
Other Fuels and Lubricants	335,050	942,916	3,221,498	1,473,586
Parts & Access. off Capital Good	431,481	574,275	2,793,724	1,789,402
Capital Goods	909,285	912,143	5,753,934	4,172,631
Transport Equipment - Motor Car	45,871	38,381	456,980	883,108
Other Indus. Transport Equipme	168,023	130,643	1,002,124	806,173
Construction Materials	279,427	237,687	1,516,856	899,050
Machinery and Equipment	408,976	485,627	2,690,731	1,538,869
Other Capital Goods	6,988	19,805	87,243	45,431

**IMPORTS BY ECONOMIC FUNCTION (END-USE) AS AT JUNE 1994**  
(PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 2(a)

US\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	June 1994		May 1994		Jan. - June 1994		Jan. - June 1993	
	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	164,570	115,453	202,763	79,557	1,014,175	600,002	981,300	562,368
Food	18,993	31,706	28,868	21,090	117,984	149,070	111,855	155,048
Beverages and Tobacco	2,474	4,602	2,588	4,091	15,408	19,393	7,437	19,276
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	5,600	56,416	3,602	33,623	31,812	283,028	29,819	261,569
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	22,177	201	40,538	144	146,982	2,983	169,014	4,396
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	1,764	0	2,083	0	8,724	6	5,561	4
Chemicals	17,797	1,373	18,868	1,685	103,994	11,635	98,837	11,778
Manufactured Goods	29,811	2,010	27,072	1,978	162,899	10,285	167,145	7,121
Machinery and Transport Equip	37,041	1,129	41,848	2,383	242,673	10,861	227,658	8,313
Misc. Manufactured Articles	26,827	18,016	32,612	14,563	169,720	112,741	139,097	94,728
Other	2,086	0	4,684	0	13,979	0	24,877	135

**IMPORTS BY ECONOMIC FUNCTION (END-USE) AS AT JUNE 1994**  
(PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 2(b)

J\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	June 1994		May 1994		Jan. - June 1994		Jan. - June 1993	
	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	5,474,834	3,852,812	6,679,760	2,621,270	33,074,104	19,654,313	17,517,168	10,322,395
Food	622,400	1,047,580	930,102	694,648	3,843,701	4,888,779	2,029,623	2,670,523
Beverages and Tobacco	82,522	152,041	86,228	134,664	509,747	635,796	149,768	353,137
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	186,894	1,865,060	119,413	1,107,523	1,047,298	9,271,764	514,142	4,853,583
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	738,836	6,655	1,352,335	4,748	4,855,975	97,589	3,218,718	93,670
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	58,920	11	67,784	9	286,830	199	100,152	103
Chemicals	593,788	45,389	603,399	55,512	3,352,890	381,005	1,734,850	221,349
Manufactured Goods	994,997	66,447	900,472	65,091	5,328,947	337,231	2,927,894	131,540
Machinery and Transport Equip	1,231,642	37,286	1,380,159	78,537	7,819,104	341,084	3,928,078	135,758
Misc. Manufactured Articles	894,965	632,343	1,083,474	480,538	5,565,887	3,700,860	2,471,296	1,859,741
Other	69,870	0	156,394	0	463,725	6	442,647	2,991



**TRADE WITH CARIBBEAN COMMON MARKET AS AT JUNE 1994  
(PRELIMINARY DATA)**

Table 3(a)

US\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	June 1994		May 1994		Jan. - June 1994		Jan. - June 1993	
	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	10,437	5,293	14,083	4,939	60,084	27,781	39,203	26,807
Food	1,784	966	1,617	1,172	8,403	6,112	8,537	6,782
Beverages and Tobacco	1,374	410	1,687	190	8,278	1,615	1,829	1,569
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	208	169	4	17	417	420	117	375
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	3,074	162	4,730	61	16,920	1,004	2,072	2,350
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	376	0	572	0	2,095	3	1,301	1
Chemicals	1,221	1,082	1,879	1,181	8,039	6,890	9,689	6,417
Manufactured Goods	1,758	1,230	2,931	1,312	12,571	6,590	12,077	4,766
Machinery and Transport Equip	244	137	413	214	1,964	1,073	2,266	1,417
Misc. Manufactured Articles	398	1,137	250	792	1,397	4,274	1,335	2,930
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**TRADE WITH CARIBBEAN COMMON MARKET AS AT JUNE 1994  
(PRELIMINARY DATA)**

Table 3(b)

J\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	June 1994		May 1994		Jan. - June 1994		Jan. - June 1993	
	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	349,029	174,970	469,752	162,715	1,990,391	910,386	870,463	590,110
Food	59,645	31,906	53,921	38,675	218,207	168,439	189,594	150,366
Beverages and Tobacco	45,881	13,556	56,222	6,231	228,791	39,238	40,595	34,784
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	6,953	5,556	131	568	6,694	8,180	2,604	8,326
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	102,912	5,341	157,901	2,025	458,301	27,398	46,012	52,110
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	12,579	11	19,092	0	56,991	119	28,907	33
Chemicals	40,864	35,801	62,643	38,914	224,836	183,403	214,680	142,277
Manufactured Goods	58,748	40,629	97,749	43,202	357,607	175,396	268,158	105,698
Machinery and Transport Equip	8,143	4,536	13,751	7,016	56,868	30,551	50,281	31,411
Misc. Manufactured Articles	13,304	37,634	8,342	26,084	33,067	102,692	29,652	65,105
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0