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## EXTERNAL TRADE

# PRELIMINARY DATA July 1994

Total merchandise trade for January - July 1994 increased by 1.2 percent or US\$22.2 million to US\$1,876.8 million. This total included imports valuing US\$1,177.7 million, down by 1.4 percent or US\$16.5 million and exports amounting to US\$690.1 million, up by 6 percent or US\$38.7 million. These movements have resulted in the trade deficit declining by 10.2 percent or US\$55.3 million to US\$487.6 million.

# IMPORTS BY ECONOMIC FUNCTION (END-USE) AS AT JULY 1994 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 1 (a)				US\$'000
END-USE	JULY -	JUNE	JANJULY	JANJULY
CATEGORIES	1994	1994	1994	1993
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TOTAL	163,487	164,570	1,177,663	1,194,171
Consumer Goods	38,223	38,657	238,396	248,690
Food (incl. Beverages)	11,638	9,214	70,506	82,564
Non-Durable Goods	16,205	17,222	82,544	109,306
Semi-Durable Goods	2,684	2,852	14,326	14,182
Durable Goods - Motor Cars	4,674	6,010	37,427	12,457
Other Consumer Durables	3,022	3,359	33,593	30,181
Raw Materials	99,873	98,633	736,365	710,680
Food (incl. Beverages)	11,249	14,261	89,829	63,702
Industrial Supplies	51,170	49,285	375,032	341,749
Crude Oil	4,456	12,007	53,471	116,938
Other Fuels and Lubricants	20,144	10,121	118,138	91,051
Parts & Access. of Capital Good	12,854	12,959	99,895	97,240
Capital Goods	25,391	27,280	202,902	234,801
Transport Equipment - Motor Car	1,540	1,379	15,897	52,572
Other Indus. Transport Equipment	5,798	5,052	37,094	45,194
Construction Materials	6,017	8,381	52,447	51,006
Machinery and Equipment	11,546	12,259	94,302	83,598
Other Capital Goods	490	209	3,162	2,431

Importation of "Raw Materials" increased by 3.6 percent or US\$25.7 million to US\$736.4 million. All of the sub-categories except "Crude Oil" increased. "Food (incl. Beverages)" and "Other Fuels and Lubricants" registered fairly significant increases of 41.0 percent and 29.8 percent respectively.

"Consumer Goods" declined by US\$10.3 million to US\$238.4 million as a result of fairly significant decreases in the importation of "Food (incl. Beverages)" 14.6 percent and "Non-Durable Goods" 24.5 percent. "Capital Goods" declined by 13.6 percent or US\$31.9 million to US\$202.9 million. (See Table 1a)

Export earnings were mainly boosted by the increased sales of "Manufactured Goods" (44.2 percent), "Machinery and Transport" (75.9) percent and "Misc. Manufactured Goods" (18.9 percent). Marginal increases in "Beverages and Tobacco" and "Crude Materials" as well contributed to the overall 6 percent growth in exports. (See Table 2a)

### **CARICOM**

Imports from the region increased by 46.0 percent to US\$70.6 million. The sectors which contributed significantly to this increase were "Beverage and Tobacco" (276.7 percent), "Crude Materials" (120.2 percent) and "Mineral Fuels" (620.5 percent).

Exports to Caricom were valued at US\$33.0 million an increase of 3.6 percent over the previous period. There were significant increases in "Manufactured Goods" (35.1 percent) and "Misc. Manufactured Goods" (44.8 percent). (See Table 3a)

# IMPORTS BY ECONOMIC FUNCTION (END-USE) AS AT JULY 1994 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 1 (b)				J\$'000	
END-USE CATEGORIES	JULY 1994	JUNE 1994	JAN - JULY 1994	JANJULY 1993	
TOTAL	5,433,165	5,474,834	38,507,268	26,730,485	
Consumer Goods	1,276,405	1.288,211	7,832,240	5,574,851	
Food (incl. Beverages)	389,333	307,667	2,331,996	1,849,286	
Non-Durable Goods	541,262	575,516	2,728,686	2,452,191	
Semi-Durable Goods	89,824	95,317	470,947	317,596	
Durable Goods - Motor Cars	154,973	198,535	1,204,830	279,502	
Other Consumer Durables	101,013	111,176	1,095,781	676,276	
Raw Materials	3,319,831	3,277,338	24,084,165	15,894,759	
Food (incl. Beverages)	376,089	464,422	2,923,533	1,422,489	
Industrial Supplies	1,695,932	1,644,232	12,262,241	7,637,413	
Crude Oil	149,186	402,153	1,784,545	2,615,812	
Other Fuels and Lubricants	674,803	335,050	3,896,301	2,048,235	
Parts & Access. of Capital Good	423,821	431,481	3,217,545	2,170,810	
Capital Goods	836,929	909,285	6,590,863	5,260,875	
Transport Equipment - Motor Car	50,941	45,871	507,921	1,176,767	
Other Indus. Transport Equipment	193,420	168,023	1,195,544	1,013,576	
Construction Materials	190,892	279,427	1,707,748	1,143,571	
Machinery and Equipment	385,252	408,976	3,075,983	1,872,552	
Other Capital Goods	16,424	6,988	103,667	54,409	

### IMPORTS AND TOTAL EXPORTS BY SECTIONS AS AT JULY 1994 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 2(a) US\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	July 1994		June 1994		Jan July 1994		Jan July 1993	
5.I.T.C. SECTIONS	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	163,487	90,093	164,570	116,497	1,177,662	690,095	1,194,171	651,347
Food	17,431	14,512	18,993	31,706	135,415	163,582	132,235	172,865
Beverages and Tobacco	1,949	4,816	2,474	4,602	17,357	24,209	9,183	22,997
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	6,401	43,660	5,600	56,416	38,213	326,688	36,520	307,787
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	24,752	127	22,177	201	171,734	3,110	208,913	5,247
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	1,365	2	1,764	0	10,089	8	6,985	203
Chemicals	18,499	1,678	17,797	1,373	122,493	13,313	122,813	14,523
Manufactured Goods	26,553	2,168	29,811	2,010	189,452	12,453	198,974	8,636
Machinery and Transport Equip	35,004	5,668	37,041	1,129	277,677	16,529	281,641	9,396
Misc. Manufactured Articles	26,842	17,462	26,827	19,060	196,562	130,203	170,112	109,543
Other	4,691	0	2,086	0	18,670	0	26,795	150

# IMPORTS AND TOTAL EXPORTS BY SECTIONS AS AT JULY 1994 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 2(b) J\$*C	000
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S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	July 1994		June 1994		Jan July 1994		Jan July 1993	
	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	5,433,165	2,979,809	5,474,834	3,852,812	38,507,269	22,634,122	26,730,485	14,611,155
Food	583,312	479,554	622,400	1,047,580	4,427,013	5,368,333	2,955,549	3,870,320
Beverages and Tobacco	65,252	159,159	82,522	152,041	574,999	794,955	206,605	516,252
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	213,989	1,442,976	186,894	1,865,060	1,261,287	10,714,740	819,221	6,907,163
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	829,077	4,202	738,836	6,655	5,685,052	101,791	4,684,719	118,103
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	45,511	73	58,920	11	332,341	272	156,382	4,662
Chemicals	604,844	55,432	593,788	45,389	3,957,734	436,437	2,731,652	327,311
Manufactured Goods	875,077	71,870	994,997	66,447	6,204,024	409,101	4,456,084	194,350
Machinery and Transport Equip	1,162,354	187,065	1,231,642	37,286	8,981,458	528,149	6,304,618	210,686
Misc. Manufactured Articles	896,693	579,478	894,965	632,343	6,462,580	4,280,338	3,816,961	2,458,958
Other	157,056	0	69,870	0	620,781	6	598,694	3,350

### TRADE WITH CARIBBEAN COMMON MARKET AS AT JULY 1994 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 3(a) US\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	July 1994		June 1994		Jan July 1994		Jan July 1993	
	imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	10,486	5,214	10,437	5,293	70,570	32,995	48,321	31,848
Food	1,841	1,290	1,784	966	10,244	7,402	9,945	8,480
Beverages and Tobacco	1,110	223	1,374	410	9,388	1,838	2,492	1,950
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	19	29	208	169	436	449	198	404
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	2,830	20	3,074	162	19,750	1,024	2,741	2,468
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	315	2	376	0	2,410	5	1,602	2
Chemicals	1,747	1,290	1,221	1,082	9,786	7,980	12,077	7,595
Manufactured Goods	1,900	1,303	1,758	1,230	14,471	7,893	14,830	5,843
Machinery and Transport Equip	471	215	244	137	2,435	1,288	2,858	1,573
Misc. Manufactured Articles	253	842	398	1,137	1,650	5,116	1,578	3,533
Other	0	. 0	0	0	0	. 0	. 0	

### TRADE WITH CARIBBEAN COMMON MARKET AS AT JULY 1994 (PRELIMINARY DATA)

Table 3(b) J\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	July 1994		June 1994		Jan July 1994		Jan July 1993	
	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	350,894	172,383	349,029	174,970	2,341,285	1,082,769	1,084,176	716,049
Food	61,638	42,640	59,645	31,906	339,490	242,985	222,276	190,854
Beverages and Tobacco	37,201	7,371	45,881	13,556	311,873	60,165	56,223	43,935
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	640	949	6,953	5,556	14,287	14,685	4,483	9,019
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	94,747	664	102,912	5,341	655,960	33,403	60,901	55,066
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	10,419	62	12,579	11	79,989	192	36,128	60
Chemicals	58,555	42,574	40,864	35,801	324,255	261,778	271,155	170,816
Manufactured Goods	63,636	43,206	58,748	40,629	479,991	259,231	333,192	131,541
Machinery and Transport Equip	15,777	7,104	8,143	4,536	80,788	42,191	64,294	35,257
Misc. Manufactured Articles	8,281	27,813	13,304	37,634	54,652	168,139	35,524	79,501
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	