



## EXTERNAL TRADE

### PRELIMINARY DATA

August 1994

For the first eight months of 1994 the trade deficit was US\$577.9 million or US\$34.8 million less than for the comparative period in 1993. Imports for the period were valued at US\$1,372.1 million, up by 1.5 percent, while exports increased by 7.4 percent to US\$794.2 million.

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

Table 1 (a)		US\$'000			
END-USE CATEGORIES	AUGUST 1994	JULY 1994	JAN. - AUG. 1994	JAN. - AUG. 1993	
TOTAL	194,403	163,487	1,372,066	1,351,914	
Consumer Goods	32,973	38,223	271,369	283,165	
Food (incl. Beverages)	7,803	11,638	78,309	94,272	
Non-Durable Goods	12,829	16,205	95,373	122,151	
Semi-Durable Goods	2,445	2,684	16,771	16,505	
Durable Goods - Motor Cars	5,245	4,674	42,672	14,886	
Other Consumer Durables	4,651	3,022	38,244	35,351	
Raw Materials	126,053	99,873	862,418	792,934	
Food (incl. Beverages)	12,295	11,249	102,124	76,713	
Industrial Supplies	59,224	51,170	434,256	383,741	
Crude Oil	12,887	4,456	66,358	116,949	
Other Fuels and Lubricants	27,497	20,144	145,635	104,612	
Parts & Access. of Capital Goods	14,150	12,854	114,045	110,919	
Capital Goods	35,377	25,391	238,279	275,815	
Transport Equipment - Motor Car	1,346	1,540	17,243	64,955	
Other Indus. Transport Equipment	4,588	5,798	41,682	52,054	
Construction Materials	7,545	6,017	59,992	59,955	
Machinery and Equipment	21,544	11,546	115,846	95,775	
Other Capital Goods	354	490	3,516	3,076	

Importation of "Raw Materials", accounting for 62.9 percent of total imports, increased by 8.8 percent to US\$862.4 million. "Food (incl. Beverages)", used as Raw Materials, increased by 33.1 percent. There was a 39.2 percent increase in imports of "Other Fuels and Lubricants". "Crude Oil" imports went down by US\$50.6 million or 44.3 percent.

"Consumer Goods" imports declined by 4.2 percent or US\$12 million to US\$271.4 million while imports of "Capital Goods" went down by 13.6 percent or US\$37.5 million to \$238.3 million.

The increase in exports was largely due to the fairly significant increases in the categories "Misc. Manufactured Articles" (21.3 percent) and a 7.2 percent rise in the category "Crude Materials (excl. Fuels) - mainly Bauxite and Alumina. There were also significant increases in the Manufactured Goods" and "Machinery and Transport Equipment" categories.

## CARICOM TRADE

Imports from CARICOM were estimated at US\$78.8 million an increase of 40.6 percent over the corresponding period. The major contributors were "Beverages and Tobacco (249.0 percent), "Mineral Fuels, etc" (358.3 percent) and "Animal & Vegetable Fats" (71.1 percent).

Exports to the region however, increased by a mere 0.9 percent to US\$37.3 million.

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

Table 1(b)		J\$'000		
END-USE CATEGORIES	AUGUST 1994	JULY 1994	JAN.- AUG. 1994	JAN.- AUG. 1993
TOTAL	6,476,968	5,433,165	44,984,236	30,692,454
Consumer Goods	1,100,438	1,276,405	8,932,678	6,361,755
Food (incl. Beverages)	260,362	389,333	2,592,358	2,149,616
Non-Durable Goods	428,578	541,262	3,157,264	2,688,659
Semi-Durable Goods	81,407	89,824	552,354	376,301
Durable Goods - Motor Cars	174,768	154,973	1,379,598	339,629
Other Consumer Durables	155,323	101,013	1,251,104	807,550
Raw Materials	4,201,913	3,319,831	28,286,078	18,052,575
Food (incl. Beverages)	411,266	376,089	3,334,799	1,742,712
Industrial Supplies	1,979,625	1,695,932	14,241,866	8,782,220
Crude Oil	430,036	149,186	2,214,581	2,616,094
Other Fuels and Lubricants	912,509	674,803	4,808,810	2,400,462
Parts & Access. of Capital Good	468,477	423,821	3,686,022	2,511,087
Capital Goods	1,174,617	836,929	7,765,480	6,278,124
Transport Equipment - Motor Car	44,907	50,941	552,828	1,481,728
Other Indus. Transport Equipment	153,242	193,420	1,348,786	1,181,753
Construction Materials	245,730	190,892	1,953,478	1,367,342
Machinery and Equipment	718,912	385,252	3,794,895	2,176,717
Other Capital Goods	11,826	16,424	115,493	70,584

**IMPORTS AND TOTAL EXPORTS BY SECTIONS AS AT AUGUST 1994  
(PRELIMINARY DATA)**

Table 2(a)

US\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	AUGUST 1994	JULY 1994		JAN. - AUG. 1994		JAN. - AUG. 1993		
		Total		Total		Total		
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
ALL SECTIONS	194,403	104,091	163,487	90,093	1,372,065	794,186	1,351,914	739,219
Food	17,606	11,398	17,431	14,512	153,021	174,980	155,024	183,294
Beverages and Tobacco	1,057	3,437	1,949	4,816	18,414	27,646	10,641	26,269
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	4,168	49,413	6,401	43,660	42,381	376,101	40,683	350,871
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	40,357	135	24,752	127	212,091	3,245	222,215	5,385
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	1,379	0	1,365	2	11,468	8	7,524	204
Chemicals	18,122	1,968	18,499	1,678	140,615	15,281	138,084	16,526
Manufactured Goods	33,331	1,915	26,553	2,168	222,783	14,368	227,570	10,128
Machinery and Transport Equip.	46,722	1,552	35,004	5,668	324,399	18,081	328,200	10,745
Misc. Manufactured Articles	27,626	34,273	26,842	17,462	224,188	164,476	192,406	135,647
Other	4,035	0	4,691	0	22,705	0	29,567	150

**IMPORTS AND TOTAL EXPORTS BY SECTIONS AS AT AUGUST 1994  
(PRELIMINARY DATA)**

Table 2(b)

J\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	AUGUST 1994	JULY 1994		JAN. - AUG. 1994		JAN. - AUG. 1993		
		Total		Total		Total		
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
ALL SECTIONS	6,476,968	3,437,010	5,433,165	2,979,809	44,984,237	26,071,132	30,692,454	16,858,340
Food	588,236	376,290	583,312	479,554	5,015,249	5,744,623	3,526,830	4,135,288
Beverages and Tobacco	35,338	113,549	65,252	159,159	610,337	908,504	244,246	599,716
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	139,520	1,631,625	213,989	1,442,976	1,400,807	12,346,365	925,636	8,013,920
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	1,341,853	4,453	829,077	4,202	7,026,705	106,244	5,030,099	121,534
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	46,115	5	45,511	73	378,456	277	170,025	4,699
Chemicals	605,742	65,010	604,844	55,432	4,563,476	501,447	3,107,644	378,422
Manufactured Goods	1,107,212	63,252	875,077	71,870	7,311,236	472,353	5,176,012	232,354
Machinery and Transport Equip.	1,556,005	51,232	1,162,354	187,065	10,537,463	579,381	7,459,282	244,894
Misc. Manufactured Articles	922,509	1,131,594	896,693	579,478	7,385,089	5,411,932	4,382,461	3,124,163
Other	134,638	0	157,056	0	755,419	6	670,219	3,350

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

Table 3(a)

US\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	AUGUST 1994		JULY 1994		JAN. - AUG. 1994		JAN. - AUG. 1993	
	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	8,068	4,457	10,486	5,214	78,809	37,328	56,040	36,980
Food	2,377	1,126	1,841	1,290	12,792	8,528	12,170	10,325
Beverages and Tobacco	292	187	1,110	223	9,680	2,025	2,774	2,290
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	45	22	19	29	481	471	218	418
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	132	49	2,830	20	19,882	1,073	4,338	2,582
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	613	0	315	2	3,023	5	1,767	2
Chemicals	1,129	1,056	1,747	1,290	10,915	9,036	13,067	8,732
Manufactured Goods	2,830	1,215	1,900	1,303	17,301	9,108	16,641	6,866
Machinery and Transport Equipment	346	265	471	215	2,781	1,553	3,131	1,838
Misc. Manufactured Articles	304	537	253	842	1,954	5,529	1,934	3,927
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

Table 3(b)

J\$'000

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	AUGUST 1994		JULY 1994		JAN. - AUG. 1994		JAN. - AUG. 1993	
	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports	Imports	Total Exports
ALL SECTIONS	269,652	147,143	350,894	172,383	2,616,638	1,225,765	1,281,476	845,296
Food	79,462	37,139	61,638	42,640	424,653	280,124	278,107	237,061
Beverages and Tobacco	9,757	6,185	37,201	7,371	321,630	66,350	63,436	52,388
Crude Materials (excl. Fuels)	1,502	715	640	949	15,789	15,400	5,013	9,365
Mineral Fuels, etcetera	4,413	1,628	94,747	664	660,373	35,031	102,470	57,857
Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	20,482	0	10,419	62	100,471	192	40,264	60
Chemicals	37,713	34,890	58,555	42,574	361,968	296,668	296,449	199,750
Manufactured Goods	94,610	40,172	63,636	43,206	574,601	299,403	379,712	157,615
Machinery and Transport Equipment	11,567	8,724	15,777	7,104	92,355	50,915	71,351	41,836
Misc. Manufactured Articles	10,146	17,690	8,281	27,813	64,798	181,682	44,674	89,364
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0