

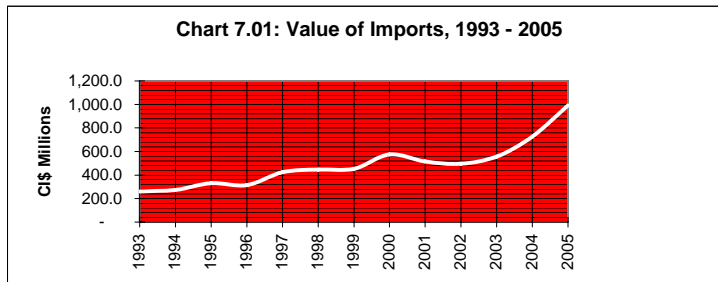
7. FOREIGN TRADE

7.01 Imports, Exports and Balance of Visible Trade

Year	C/\$ million				
	Imports (cif)	Percentage Increase	Exports (fob) ¹	Percentage Increase	Balance of Trade
1993	259.2	-6.9	1.8	(51.4)	(257.4)
1994	271.7	4.8	2.0	11.1	(269.7)
1995	331.6	22.1	3.4	70.0	(328.2)
1996	314.9	-5.0	2.2	(35.3)	(312.7)
1997	423.7	34.5	1.8	(18.2)	(421.9)
1998	447.8	5.7	1.0	(44.4)	(446.8)
1999	452.2	1.0	1.2	20.0	(451.0)
2000	575.7	27.3	2.0	66.7	(573.7)
2001	515.1	-10.5	2.4	20.0	(512.7)
2002	496.6	-3.6	3.0	25.0	(493.6)
2003	556.8	12.1	4.3	43.3	(552.5)
2004	725.9	30.4	2.1	(51.2)	(723.8)
2005	990.4	36.4	1.3	(38.1)	(989.1)

Notes

- ¹ From 1982 export figures include personal effects and cars of migrants. These are included in all years for imports.
- ² Exports for 1998-2000 are estimated.



Source: Economics and Statistics Office

7.02

Imports by SITC* Sections

Section	(C1\$000's), percentage of total									
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
0 Food & live animals	58,556 18.6%	69,366 16.4%	67,142 15.0%	78,100 17.3%	30,506 5.3%	21,240 4.1%	24,918 5.0%	44,731 8.0%	59,541 8.2%	54,624 5.5%
1 Beverages & tobacco	12,587 4.0%	16,077 3.8%	14,044 3.1%	28,192 6.2%	16,568 2.9%	21,334 4.1%	17,534 3.5%	27,025 4.9%	17,139 2.4%	35,073 3.5%
2 Crude materials	4,177 1.3%	11,804 2.8%	8,891 2.0%	7,500 1.7%	5,496 1.0%	2,310 0.4%	3,381 0.7%	5,171 0.9%	7,474 1.0%	13,680 1.4%
3 Petroleum Products and Gas	34,663 11.0%	39,217 9.3%	31,774 7.1%	44,400 9.8%	40,253 7.0%	49,420 9.6%	50,405 10.2%	43,171 7.8%	70,601 9.7%	76,220 7.7%
4 Animal & vegetable oils, fats and waxes	609 0.2%	567 0.1%	952 0.2%	150 0.0%	55 0.0%	40 0.0%	18 0.0%	1 0.0%	131 0.0%	36 0.0%
5 Chemical & related products	18,458 5.9%	22,241 5.2%	29,172 6.5%	10,500 2.3%	11,390 2.0%	7,916 1.5%	10,526 2.1%	14,164 2.5%	16,816 2.3%	22,051 2.2%
6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	44,104 14.0%	54,258 12.8%	64,369 14.4%	41,750 9.2%	14,549 2.5%	9,822 1.9%	7,590 1.5%	21,711 3.9%	47,097 6.5%	107,757 10.9%
7 Machinery & transport equipt.	81,943 26.0%	109,671 25.9%	103,121 23.0%	106,720 23.6%	54,926 9.5%	44,695 8.7%	38,970 7.8%	54,848 9.9%	117,314 16.2%	161,927 16.3%
8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles	56,806 18.0%	94,579 22.3%	120,634 26.9%	52,140 11.5%	235,947 41.0%	188,794 36.7%	158,362 31.9%	249,751 44.9%	318,716 43.9%	319,066 32.2%
9 Commodities & transactions ¹ not classified elsewhere	3,029 1.0%	5,913 1.4%	7,714 1.7%	82,700 18.3%	166,039 28.8%	169,490 32.9%	184,882 37.2%	96,196 17.3%	71,022 9.8%	199,970 20.2%
ALL IMPORTS	314,932	423,693	447,813	452,152	575,729	515,061	496,586	556,769	725,851	990,404
Imports Including Fuels	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Note

¹ Imports from 1999 to 2002 were taken from the customs tariff system and section 9 is grossly overstated due to improper tariff classification.

* SITC (Standard International Trade Classification)

Source: Economics and Statistics Office

7.03

Imports by Broad Economic Category

CATEGORY	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
CONSUMER GOODS						
Total	310.4	302.5	274.0	306.0	314.1	374.7
Food and beverages	66.0	63.3	67.4	86.5	84.9	112.2
Clothing and footwear	7.7	5.8	8.3	8.1	6.9	11.6
Other	236.7	233.4	198.3	211.3	222.3	250.9
INTERMEDIATE GOODS						
Total	27.2	27.8	28.7	54.3	114.4	151.6
Construction	14.3	22.1	22.3	41	98.9	116.6
Others	12.9	5.7	6.4	13.3	15.5	35.0
FUEL						
Total	56.6	73.7	80.3	52.2	78.3	83.3
CAPITAL GOODS						
Total	181.5	111.1	113.6	144.3	219.1	380.9
Transportation	61.3	56.4	51.1	50.6	86.5	151.3
Others	120.2	54.7	62.5	93.7	132.6	229.6
ALL IMPORTS	575.7	515.1	496.6	556.8	725.9	990.4
Percentage Contribution (%)						
CONSUMER GOODS						
Total	53.9	58.7	55.2	55.0	43.3	37.8
Food and beverages	11.5	12.3	13.6	15.5	11.7	11.3
Clothing and footwear	1.3	1.1	1.7	1.5	1.0	1.2
Other	41.1	45.3	39.9	37.9	30.6	25.3
INTERMEDIATE GOODS						
Total	4.7	5.4	5.8	9.8	15.8	15.3
Construction	2.5	4.3	4.5	7.4	13.6	11.8
Others	2.2	1.1	1.3	2.4	2.1	3.5
FUEL						
Total	9.8	14.3	16.2	9.4	10.8	8.4
CAPITAL GOODS						
Total	31.5	21.6	22.9	25.9	30.2	38.5
Transportation	10.6	10.9	10.3	9.1	11.9	15.3
Others	20.9	10.6	12.6	16.8	18.3	23.2
ALL IMPORTS (%)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Notes

Imports by Broad Economic Category are not available for 1999-2003.

Source: Economics and Statistics Office

7.04

Imports by Major Countries of Origin

Country	(CIS\$M), percentage of total									
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
United States ¹	242.2 76.9%	321.6 75.9%	348.5 77.8%	352.5 78.0%	419.8 72.9%	363.5 70.6%	340.3 68.5%	399.5 71.8%	561.1 77.3%	757.8 76.5%
Netherlands Antilles ²	33.4 10.6%	37.5 8.8%	28.0 6.2%	32.0 7.1%	39.3 6.8%	48.1 9.3%	49.4 9.9%	36.0 6.5%	69.2 9.5%	85.6 8.6%
Japan	6.8 2.2%	8.0 1.9%	8.7 1.9%	- 0.0%	3.0 0.5%	2.9 0.6%	2.7 0.5%	7.5 1.3%	5.2 0.7%	10.5 1.1%
United Kingdom	5.6 1.8%	12.6 3.0%	9.0 2.0%	- 0.0%	3.2 0.6%	3.1 0.6%	4.0 0.8%	6.9 1.2%	5.3 0.7%	6.9 0.7%
Jamaica	2.6 0.8%	6.9 1.6%	3.5 0.8%	- 0.0%	4.4 0.8%	2.3 0.4%	3.0 0.6%	2.5 0.4%	4.2 0.6%	6.9 0.7%
Switzerland	2.2 0.7%	4.6 1.1%	16.0 3.6%	- 0.0%	1.3 0.2%	2.6 0.5%	3.7 0.7%	5.6 1.0%	3.7 0.5%	4.2 0.4%
Canada	2.5 0.8%	6.5 1.5%	6.1 1.4%	- 0.0%	1.7 0.3%	2.3 0.4%	1.8 0.4%	2.9 0.5%	3.5 0.5%	6.3 0.6%
Mexico	2.2 0.7%	3.6 0.8%	1.7 0.4%	- 0.0%	0.7 0.1%	0.2 0.0%	0.4 0.1%	0.8 0.1%	0.6 0.1%	2.4 0.2%
Germany, FR	0.5 0.2%	2.0 0.5%	2.6 0.6%	- 0.0%	0.8 0.1%	3.0 0.6%	1.5 0.3%	1.1 0.2%	1.8 0.2%	1.6 0.2%
Ireland	1.0 0.3%	0.5 0.1%	- 0.0%	- 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	0.1 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	8.0 0.8%
Barbados	- 0.0%	- 0.0%	- 0.0%	- 0.0%	0.3 0.1%	0.6 0.1%	0.4 0.1%	1.1 0.2%	1.1 0.2%	2.0 0.2%
Others ³	15.9 5.0%	20.0 4.7%	23.7 5.3%	67.8 15.0%	101.0 17.6%	86.6 16.8%	89.4 18.0%	93.0 16.7%	70.1 9.7%	98.2 9.9%
TOTAL IMPORTS	314.9 100.0%	423.7 100.0%	447.8 100.0%	452.2 100.0%	575.7 100.0%	515.1 100.0%	496.6 100.0%	556.8 100.0%	725.9 100.0%	990.4 100.0%

Notes

- ¹ Import figures from the USA tend to be overstated while those from other countries tend to be understated, due to the shipment of Cayman Islands-bound imports through Florida.
- ² Most of the oil imported from Curacao originates from Venezuela, although some comes from elsewhere (eg. Trinidad and Tobago).
- ³ From 1999 - 2002 the figures for other countries were taken from the customs database and may be overstated due to a misclassification of country codes.

Source: Economics and Statistics Office

7.05 Newly Imported Motor Vehicles, Inspected and Licensed

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
New Imports											
cars	1,254	1,245	1,592	1,295	723	1,267	1,195	980	1,012	1,577	2,459
trucks	162	213	322	262	180	238	198	151	134	390	845
buses	25	19	54	44	15	42	11	23	12	12	21
motor cycles	54	28	56	57	41	25	48	26	72	87	270
special vehicles	11	16	32	31	12	20	16	5	7	46	20
trailers	27	49	47	35	2	38	31	23	28	29	43
All new imports	1,533	1,570	2,103	1,724	973	1,630	1,499	1,208	1,265	2,141	3,658
Second-hand Imports											
cars	613	882	772	873	1,610	1,093	1,006	1,258	1,739	2,301	4,740
trucks	224	265	229	306	160	189	146	147	227	681	1,239
buses	13	45	29	50	10	22	18	36	58	48	54
motor cycles	18	26	20	28	43	36	14	15	17	50	50
special vehicles	26	37	32	10	18	23	19	29	23	62	102
trailers	46	73	19	30	3	23	26	26	22	33	60
All second-hand	940	1,328	1,101	1,297	1,844	1,386	1,229	1,511	2,086	3,175	6,245
All vehicle imports											
cars	1,867	2,127	2,364	2,168	2,333	2,360	2,201	2,238	2,751	3,878	7,199
trucks	386	478	551	568	340	427	344	298	361	1,071	2,084
buses	38	64	83	94	25	64	29	59	70	60	75
motor cycles	72	54	76	85	84	61	62	41	89	137	320
special vehicles	37	53	64	41	30	43	35	34	30	108	122
trailers	73	122	66	65	5	61	57	49	50	62	103
All vehicle imports	2,473	2,898	3,204	3,021	2,817	3,016	2,728	2,719	3,351	5,316	9,903

Source: Vehicle and Driver Licensing Department

7.06

External Transactions

Receipts from the rest of the World

	Current prices CI\$ millions		
	1989	1990	1991
EXPORTS OF GOODS AND NON FACTOR SERVICES			
Export of merchandise f.o.b.	2	2	1
Transport and communication services	57	66	63
Other non factor services			
Financial services	75	133	129
Other	37	40	42
Direct purchases in the resident market (visitors expenditure)	112	137	128
All exports of goods and non factor services	283	378	363
FACTOR SERVICES			
Compensation of employees			
Property and entrepreneurial income	9	9	7
CURRENT TRANSFERS			

Payments to the rest of the World

	Current prices CI\$ millions		
	1989	1990	1991
IMPORTS OF GOODS AND NON FACTOR SERVICES			
Imports of merchandise f.o.b.	192	212	197
Transport on imports	21	23	22
Insurance on imports (c.i.f. value of imports)	2	2	2
	215	238	221
Other transport and communication services	48	36	39
Other non factor services	23	33	27
Direct purchases of services abroad by gov't	10	10	11
Direct purchases abroad by resident households	30	29	28
All imports of goods and non factor services	326	345	326
(BALANCE OF TRADE IN GOODS AND NON FACTOR SERVICES)	-43	33	37
FACTOR SERVICES			
Compensation of employees	6	8	8
Property and entrepreneurial income	55	62	58
BALANCE OF TRADE IN FACTOR SERVICES	-52	-61	-59
TRANSFERS			
By government	2	1	1
By other	12	15	14

Source: Economics and Statistics Office