

Section 9

CARICOM's Trade with the European Union

CARICOM'S TRADE WITH EUROPEAN UNION – 1996 - 2001

CARICOM's imports from the European Union (EU) expanded from EC\$2.7 billion in 1996 (nine Member States reporting) to EC\$3.6 billion in 2001 (ten Member States reporting) at an average annual growth rate of 6.1% over the period. CARICOM's exports to the EU declined from EC\$2.3 billion in 1996 to EC\$2.1 billion in 2001 (ten Member States reporting in both cases) at an average annual *negative growth rate of 1.6%* over the period (**Table 2.9.1**).

The percentage contribution of CARICOM's imports from the EU to its total imports from all sources declined during 1996 – 2000 from 14.1% in 1996 to 11.2% in 2000 but increased to 14.1% in 2001. As a percentage of CARICOM's extra-regional imports, EU's percentage contribution declined from 15.7% in 1996 to 12.6% in 2000 but expanded in 2001 to 15.9% (**Table 2.9.3**).

For exports, the percentage contribution of the EU to CARICOM's total exports increased from 18.0% in 1996 to 19.7% in 1997 and decreased over the remaining period to 12.4% in 2001. As a percentage of CARICOM's extra-regional exports, this trading bloc moved from 22.0% in 1996 to 24.1% in 1997 and declined thereafter to 15.6% in 2001 (**Table 2.9.5**).

Over the period, CARICOM recorded trade *surplus* in 2000 and trade *deficits* for the remaining years. During 1996 -1998, CARICOM trade deficit with the EU increased from EC\$0.5 billion in 1996 to EC\$0.9 billion in 1998, while during 1999 – 2001, its trade balance moved from a deficit of EC\$0.2 billion in 1999 to a surplus of EC\$0.08 billion in 2000 and deficit of EC\$1.6 billion in 2001.

Major Contributors

Table 2.9.3 revealed that the MDCs dominated CARICOM's imports from the EU throughout the period 1996 – 2001 with an average percentage contribution of 83.3%. The MDCs' imports from the EU expanded from EC\$2.3 billion in 1996 to EC\$3.2 billion in 2001 (only three of the five Member States reporting in both years), which represented 83.5% in 1996 and 86.5% in 2001 of CARICOM's imports from the EU.

With respect to exports, the MDCs also dominated the EU market with an average percentage contribution of 82.2% over the period. Exports of MDCs moved from EC\$1.74 billion in 1996 to

EC\$1.71 billion in 2001 (three of five Member States reporting), which accounted for 76.7% and 81.8% respectively of CARICOM's exports to the EU (**Table 2.9.5**).

For individual Member States, *Trinidad and Tobago* and *Jamaica* were CARICOM's two highest importers from the EU. *Trinidad and Tobago* accounted for 37.6% of CARICOM's total imports from the EU in 1996 and strengthened its position in 2001 to 49.9%. *Jamaica*, CARICOM's second leading importer from the EU recorded its highest percentage contribution of 32.4% for the period in 1996 and decreased to 23.4% in 2001. These two Member States together accounted for an average percentage contribution of 65% of CARICOM's total imports from the EU over the period (**Table 2.9.3**).

For exports, *Trinidad and Tobago* and *Jamaica* were CARICOM's top exporters to the EU. *Jamaica* was the highest exporter to the EU throughout the period and accounted for 50.9% in 1996 and 45.5% in 2001 of CARICOM's total exports to EU. *Trinidad and Tobago*, the second highest exporter to the EU recorded improved percentage contribution over the period from 19.4% in 1996 to 31.1% in 2001 (**Table 2.9.5**).

With regards to the trade balance of these Member States with EU, *Trinidad and Tobago* recorded *trade deficits* for the period, except in 2000 when a surplus of EC\$0.04 billion was recorded. *Trinidad and Tobago's* trade deficit moved from EC\$0.6 billion in 1996 to EC\$1.2 billion in 2001. *Jamaica* registered *surpluses* for the entire period moving from surplus of EC\$0.2 billion in 1996 to EC\$0.1 billion in 2001.

Major Commodities

During 1996 – 2001, *Machinery and Transport Equipment* dominated CARICOM's imports from the EU while *Food, Crude Material (inedible) except fuel; and Chemical and related products n.e.s* dominated CARICOM's exports to the EU (**Tables 2.9.6 and 2.9.8**).

Imports

The percentage contribution of *Machinery and Transport Equipment* to CARICOM's imports from the EU increased from 42.8% in 1996 to 49.0% in 1997, but declined to 44.4% in 1998 and 34.4% in 1999. In 2000 its percentage contribution improved to 37.1% and to 42.9% in 2001. CARICOM's two top Member States to account for these imports from the EU were *Trinidad and Tobago* and *Jamaica*

with average percentage contributions of 45.6% and 26.8% over the period. For 2001, the top *Machinery and Transport Equipment* imported from the EU were *distilling or rectifying plant* by *Trinidad and Tobago* and *other transmission apparatus including reception apparatus* by *Jamaica*.

CARICOM's second highest imported commodities from the EU during the period were *Manufactured Goods* with decreased percentage contribution from 17.1% in 1996 to 13.4% in 2001. *Trinidad and Tobago* and *Jamaica* were the highest importers of this commodity and accounted for average percentage contributions of 34.7% and 23.8% over the period. For 2001, the top *Manufactured Goods* imported were *other refractory bricks, (containing by weight, singly or together less than 50)* by *Trinidad and Tobago* and *bridge and bridge-sections* by *Jamaica* (**Table 2.9.6**).

Exports

The percentage contribution of *Food* to CARICOM's total exports increased from 49.3% in 1996 to 51.1% and 54.8% in 1997 and 1998. However for the remainder of the period the percentage contributions of *Food* declined continuously to 51.7%, 39.3% and 35.9% in 1999, 2000 and 2001 respectively. *Jamaica* and *Guyana*, with average percentage contributions of 31.4% and 28.3% respectively were CARICOM's two highest exporters of *Food* to the EU. *Cane Sugar* was the top *Food* commodity exported to the EU by both Member States (2001 for *Jamaica* and 2000 for *Guyana*).

Over the period, CARICOM's second highest exported commodity to the EU was *Crude Materials, inedible (except fuel)*, which accounted for 29.4%, 26.6% and 25.2% of CARICOM's exports to EU in 1996, 1997 and 1998 respectively. For 1999 the percentage contribution of this commodity improved to 25.3%, declined to 23.1% in 2000 and increased again in 2001 to 30.3%. CARICOM's top Member State accounting for the exports of this commodity was *Jamaica* with an average percentage contribution of 94.4% over the period. For 2001, *Jamaica's* top commodity exported within this category was *Aluminium oxide (alumina) other than artificial corundum*.

Chemical and related products n.e.s was CARICOM's third highest exported commodity to the EU with expanded percentage contributions from 11.6% in 1996 to 16.7% in 2001. *Trinidad and Tobago* was mainly responsible for exports of these commodities to the EU and accounted for an average percentage contribution of 96.9% over the period. For 2001, *Trinidad and Tobago* top item exported within this category was *Methanol (methyl alcohol)*.

Top items traded with the European Union

In 2001, the top 20 commodities imported from the EU accounted for 58.1% of CARICOM's total imports from the EU. The top four items imported from the EU collectively accounted for 31.7% of CARICOM's total imports from the EU. These items were:

- *Heating and cooling equipment and parts thereof;*
- *Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (other than crude);*
- *Medicaments (including veterinary medicaments) and*
- *Motorcars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons.*

Some other important items imported in 2001 were *telecommunications equipment, n.e.s; milk and cream and milk products (other than butter or cheese); printed matter and alcoholic beverages (Table 2.9.9).*

With respect to domestic exports the top 15 commodities accounted for 93.6% of CARICOM's total domestic exports to the EU in 2001. These commodities also contributed more than 90.0% of CARICOM's exports to the EU throughout 1996–2001. The four major domestic exports to the EU market were:

- *Aluminium ores and concentrates (including alumina);*
- *Cane sugar, raw;*
- *Methanol (methyl alcohol) and*
- *Bananas.*

These items recorded percentage contributions of 30.6%, 18.6%, 13.5% and 12.4% respectively and a collective percentage contribution of 75.1% of CARICOM's total domestic exports to the EU.

CARICOM's top domestic exports in 2001, *Aluminium ores and concentrates* and *Cane sugar, raw* maintained average percentage contributions of 26.8% and 27.5% respectively over the period (Table 2.9.10).

TABLE 2.9.2: CARICOM'S TRADE BALANCE WITH THE EUROPEAN UNION: 1990-

(EC\$'000)

YEARS	IMPORTS	EXPORTS			TRADE BALANCE
		DOMESTIC	RE-EXP.	TOTAL	
1990	2,115,518	2,159,003	111,479	2,270,482	154,964
1991	2,281,075	1,777,117	205,330	1,982,447	-298,628
1992	1,948,353	1,560,006	35,858	1,595,864	-352,489
1993	2,193,185	1,490,149	37,552	1,527,701	-665,484
1994	1,996,885	2,096,629	39,252	2,135,881	138,996
1995	2,970,559	2,773,119	112,572	2,885,691	-84,868
1996	2,715,835	2,209,930	51,828	2,261,758	-454,077
1997	3,393,187	2,736,657	28,300	2,764,957	-628,230
1998	3,271,789	2,353,613	43,814	2,397,427	-874,362
1999	2,808,212	2,460,852	123,800	2,584,652	-223,560
2000	2,964,476	2,967,669	81,724	3,049,393	84,917
2001	3,650,148	2,040,226	51,123	2,091,349	-1,558,799

Notes:

1990, 1994 Excludes data for Antigua & Barbuda

1991 Excludes all data for Antigua & Barbuda and Belize and Export data for Guyana

1992 Excludes all data for Antigua & Barbuda and Export data for Grenada and Guyana

1993 Excludes all data for Antigua & Barbuda and Export data for Guyana

1995-1996 Excludes all data for Antigua & Barbuda, Guyana and Suriname and Import data for Montserrat

1997-1998 Excludes data for Antigua & Barbuda, Montserrat and Suriname

1999 Excludes data for Suriname

2000 Excludes data for Antigua & Barbuda and Suriname

2001 Excludes data for Antigua & Barbuda, Guyana and Suriname

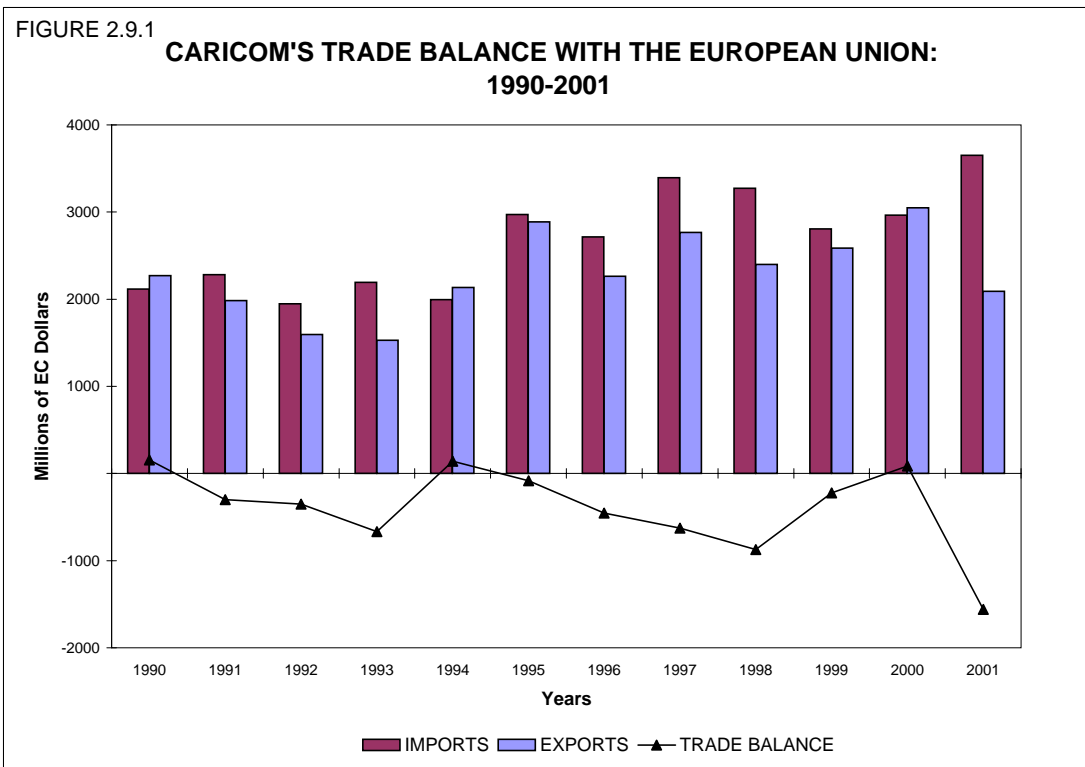


TABLE 2.9.3: VALUE AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S IMPORTS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY COUNTRY: 1996-2001

		(EC\$'000)					
CARICOM COUNTRIES		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
CARICOM (A)		2,715,835	3,393,187	3,271,789	2,808,212	2,964,476	3,650,148
MDCs		2,268,588	2,925,486	2,760,548	2,207,550	2,399,214	3,158,900
BARBADOS		365,964	399,693	463,059	471,127	478,655	480,378
GUYANA		...	211,885	205,473	165,210	184,107	...
JAMAICA		880,854	1,076,596	768,974	625,848	717,492	855,450
SURINAME		...	...	...	...	...	...
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO		1,021,770	1,237,312	1,323,042	945,365	1,018,960	1,823,072
LDCs		447,247	467,701	511,241	600,662	565,262	491,248
BELIZE		54,939	71,079	74,650	76,004	137,418	76,619
OECS		392,308	396,622	436,591	524,658	427,844	414,629
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA		...	...	...	94,226	...	...
DOMINICA		61,849	55,689	17,855	47,424	52,729	51,428
GRENADA		61,432	61,135	77,344	66,218	92,001	67,414
MONTserrat		...	...	...	6,281	6,577	5,200
ST. KITTS AND NEVIS		46,176	46,882	67,417	36,880	45,571	63,206
SAINT LUCIA		148,944	159,694	162,975	151,357	162,669	121,781
ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES		73,907	73,222	111,000	122,272	68,297	105,600
		(Percent)					
CARICOM		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
MDCs		83.5	86.2	84.4	78.6	80.9	86.5
BARBADOS		13.5	11.8	14.2	16.8	16.1	13.2
GUYANA		...	6.2	6.3	5.9	6.2	...
JAMAICA		32.4	31.7	23.5	22.3	24.2	23.4
SURINAME		...	...	...	...	...	...
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO		37.6	36.5	40.4	33.7	34.4	49.9
LDCs		16.5	13.8	15.6	21.4	19.1	13.5
BELIZE		2.0	2.1	2.3	2.7	4.6	2.1
OECS		14.4	11.7	13.3	18.7	14.4	11.4
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA		...	...	...	3.4	...	...
DOMINICA		2.3	1.6	0.5	1.7	1.8	1.4
GRENADA		2.3	1.8	2.4	2.4	3.1	1.8
MONTserrat		...	...	...	0.2	0.2	0.1
ST. KITTS AND NEVIS		1.7	1.4	2.1	1.3	1.5	1.7
SAINT LUCIA		5.5	4.7	5.0	5.4	5.5	3.3
ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES		2.7	2.2	3.4	4.4	2.3	2.9
(B) VALUE OF CARICOM'S IMPORTS FROM ALL SOURCES		19,216,513	24,378,963	23,738,738	24,175,549	26,573,787	25,798,189
(C) VALUE OF CARICOM'S IMPORTS FROM EXTRA-REGIONAL SOURCES		17,294,879	22,013,762	21,320,109	21,370,019	23,519,194	23,022,553
(D) VALUE OF CARICOM'S INTRA-REGIONAL IMPORTS		1,921,634	2,365,201	2,418,629	2,805,530	3,054,593	2,775,636
(A)\(B)	(%)	14.1	13.9	13.8	11.6	11.2	14.1
(A)\(C)	(%)	15.7	15.4	15.3	13.1	12.6	15.9

TABLE 2.9.4: VALUE AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY COUNTRY: 1996 - 2001

		(EC\$'000)					
CARICOM COUNTRIES		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
CARICOM (A)		2,209,930	2,736,657	2,353,613	2,460,852	2,967,669	2,040,226
MDCs		1,691,012	2,304,592	1,927,875	2,019,263	2,557,052	1,676,549
BARBADOS		139,998	144,160	112,127	111,160	104,283	95,936
GUYANA		...	479,607	412,913	453,564	375,341	...
JAMAICA		1,119,830	1,084,139	975,743	995,472	1,030,218	945,785
SURINAME		...	...	...	...	...	...
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO		431,184	596,686	427,092	459,067	1,047,210	634,828
LDCs		518,918	432,065	425,738	441,589	410,617	363,677
BELIZE		186,876	189,192	184,721	179,273	185,840	137,907
OECS		332,042	242,873	241,017	262,316	224,777	225,770
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA		...	...	...	29	...	...
DOMINICA		49,028	45,535	37,479	40,766	35,901	24,567
GRENADA		18,813	23,577	32,190	61,149	62,330	55,095
MONTserrat		41,244	...	...	3	-	0
ST. KITTS AND NEVIS		21,039	36,278	24,888	16,934	16,194	17,666
SAINT LUCIA		148,355	98,798	90,732	89,853	60,080	92,600
ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES.		53,563	38,685	55,728	53,582	50,272	35,842
		(Percent)					
CARICOM		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
MDCs		76.5	84.2	81.9	82.1	86.2	82.2
BARBADOS		6.3	5.3	4.8	4.5	3.5	4.7
GUYANA		...	17.5	17.5	18.4	12.6	...
JAMAICA		50.7	39.6	41.5	40.5	34.7	46.4
SURINAME		...	...	...	...	...	...
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO		19.5	21.8	18.1	18.7	35.3	31.1
LDCs		23.5	15.8	18.1	17.9	13.8	17.8
BELIZE		8.5	6.9	7.8	7.3	6.3	6.8
OECS		15.0	8.9	10.2	10.7	7.6	11.1
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA		...	...	...	0.0	...	...
DOMINICA		2.2	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.2	1.2
GRENADA		0.9	0.9	1.4	2.5	2.1	2.7
MONTserrat		1.9	...	...	0.0	-	0.0
ST. KITTS AND NEVIS		1.0	1.3	1.1	0.7	0.5	0.9
SAINT LUCIA		6.7	3.6	3.9	3.7	2.0	4.5
ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES.		2.4	1.4	2.4	2.2	1.7	1.8
(B) VALUE OF CARICOM'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO ALL DESTINATIONS		11,871,568	13,314,287	12,165,159	13,346,672	17,856,711	16,148,183
(C) VALUE OF CARICOM'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO EXTRA-REGIONAL DESTINATIONS		9,682,323	10,916,243	9,647,773	10,685,184	14,510,459	12,888,491
(D) VALUE OF CARICOM'S INTRA-REGIONAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		2,189,245	2,398,044	2,517,386	2,661,488	3,346,252	3,259,692
(A)\(B) (%)		18.6	20.6	19.3	18.4	16.6	12.6
(A)\(C) (%)		22.8	25.1	24.4	23.0	20.5	15.8

TABLE 2.9.5: VALUE AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S TOTAL EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY COUNTRY: 1996 - 2001

		(EC\$'000)					
CARICOM COUNTRIES		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
CARICOM (A)		2,261,758	2,764,957	2,397,427	2,584,652	3,049,393	2,091,349
MDCs		1,735,375	2,327,953	1,965,632	2,133,656	2,620,782	1,709,835
BARBADOS		143,818	150,738	119,037	117,545	117,906	108,570
GUYANA		...	483,940	414,692	454,851	377,315	...
JAMAICA		1,151,846	1,085,805	985,186	998,727	1,067,775	951,292
SURINAME		...	...	...	...	...	...
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO		439,711	607,470	446,717	562,533	1,057,786	649,973
LDCs		526,383	437,004	431,795	450,996	428,611	381,514
BELIZE		187,603	190,434	187,082	180,564	186,840	139,186
OECS		338,780	246,570	244,713	270,432	241,771	242,328
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA		...	...	...	4,007	...	...
DOMINICA		49,263	45,575	37,647	40,888	36,109	24,779
GRENADA		19,458	23,751	33,204	61,594	63,483	55,900
MONTserrat		43,683	...	...	83	1,563	344
ST. KITTS AND NEVIS		21,225	36,948	25,374	18,669	19,157	20,085
SAINT LUCIA		149,164	100,767	91,574	91,005	60,837	95,300
ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES		55,987	39,529	56,914	54,186	60,622	45,920
		(Percent)					
CARICOM		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
MDCs		76.7	84.2	82.0	82.6	85.9	81.8
BARBADOS		6.4	5.5	5.0	4.5	3.9	5.2
GUYANA		...	17.5	17.3	17.6	12.4	...
JAMAICA		50.9	39.3	41.1	38.6	35.0	45.5
SURINAME		...	...	...	...	...	...
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO		19.4	22.0	18.6	21.8	34.7	31.1
LDCs		23.3	15.8	18.0	17.4	14.1	18.2
BELIZE		8.3	6.9	7.8	7.0	6.1	6.7
OECS		15.0	8.9	10.2	10.5	7.9	11.6
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA		...	...	...	0.2	...	...
DOMINICA		2.2	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.2
GRENADA		0.9	0.9	1.4	2.4	2.1	2.7
MONTserrat		1.9	...	...	0.0	0.1	0.0
ST. KITTS AND NEVIS		0.9	1.3	1.1	0.7	0.6	1.0
SAINT LUCIA		6.6	3.6	3.8	3.5	2.0	4.6
ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES		2.5	1.4	2.4	2.1	2.0	2.2
(B) VALUE OF CARICOM'S TOTAL EXPORTS TO ALL DESTINATIONS		12,580,141	14,023,041	12,962,037	14,043,820	18,501,880	16,849,494
(C) VALUE OF CARICOM'S TOTAL EXPORTS TO EXTRA-REGIONAL DESTINATIONS		10,280,433	11,486,068	10,175,891	11,226,796	14,996,112	13,411,142
(D) VALUE OF CARICOM'S INTRA-REGIONAL TOTAL EXPORTS		2,299,708	2,536,973	2,786,146	2,817,024	3,505,768	3,438,352
(A)\(B)	(%)	18.0	19.7	18.5	18.4	16.5	12.4
(A)\(C)	(%)	22.0	24.1	23.6	23.0	20.3	15.6

FIGURE 2.9.2

RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AS A SUPPLIER OF CARICOM'S EXTRA-REGIONAL IMPORTS: 1996-2001

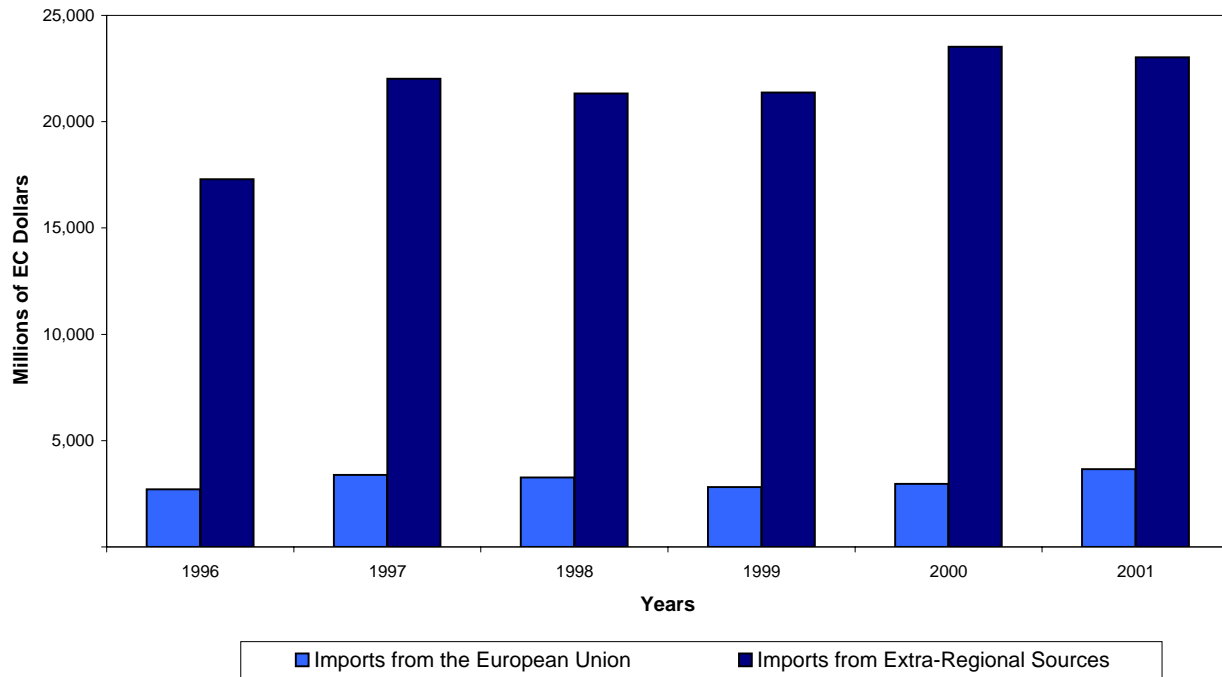


FIGURE 2.9.3

RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AS A MARKET FOR CARICOM'S EXTRA-REGIONAL EXPORTS: 1996-2001

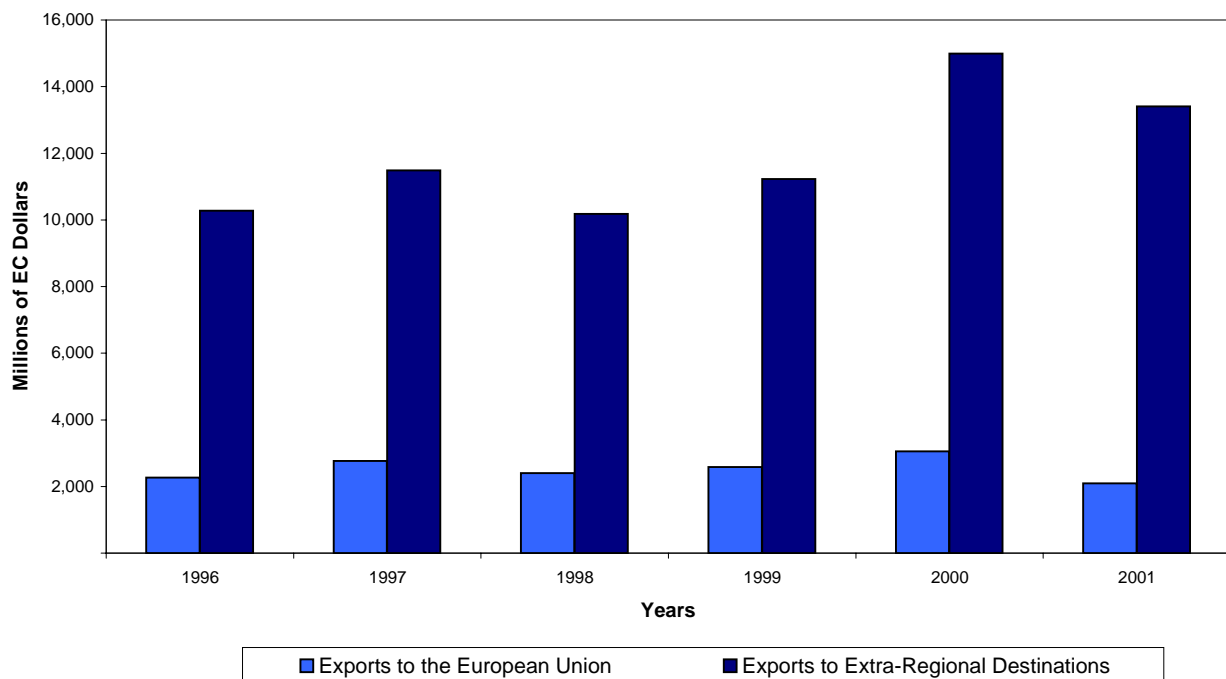


TABLE 2.9.6: VALUE AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S IMPORTS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY SITC SECTIONS: 1996- 2001

	(EC\$'000)					
S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
ALL SECTIONS	2,715,835	3,393,187	3,271,789	2,808,212	2,964,476	3,650,148
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	365,067	421,863	404,100	407,374	452,177	406,589
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.	66,035	74,948	84,499	100,969	88,635	93,861
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUEL.	17,399	9,881	14,321	13,170	11,198	13,424
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.	26,589	13,460	10,472	35,234	69,840	308,118
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES.	5,759	13,995	10,207	10,434	6,731	6,629
5 CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS N.E.S.	389,875	419,781	443,530	456,688	426,395	422,249
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.	464,410	520,454	572,760	507,194	499,564	488,107
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.	1,161,872	1,662,401	1,453,389	966,221	1,100,329	1,564,205
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.	214,141	251,733	272,741	299,067	298,825	338,726
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE.	4,688	4,671	5,770	11,861	10,782	8,240
						(Percent)
ALL SECTIONS	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	13.4	12.4	12.4	14.5	15.3	11.1
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.	2.4	2.2	2.6	3.6	3.0	2.6
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUEL.	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.	1.0	0.4	0.3	1.3	2.4	8.4
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES.	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2
5 CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS N.E.S.	14.4	12.4	13.6	16.3	14.4	11.6
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.	17.1	15.3	17.5	18.1	16.9	13.4
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.	42.8	49.0	44.4	34.4	37.1	42.9
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.	7.9	7.4	8.3	10.6	10.1	9.3
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE.	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.2

Notes:

1996 Excludes data for Antigua & Barbuda, Guyana, Montserrat and Suriname

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FIGURE 2.9.4

DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S IMPORTS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY PRINCIPAL SITC SECTIONS: 1996

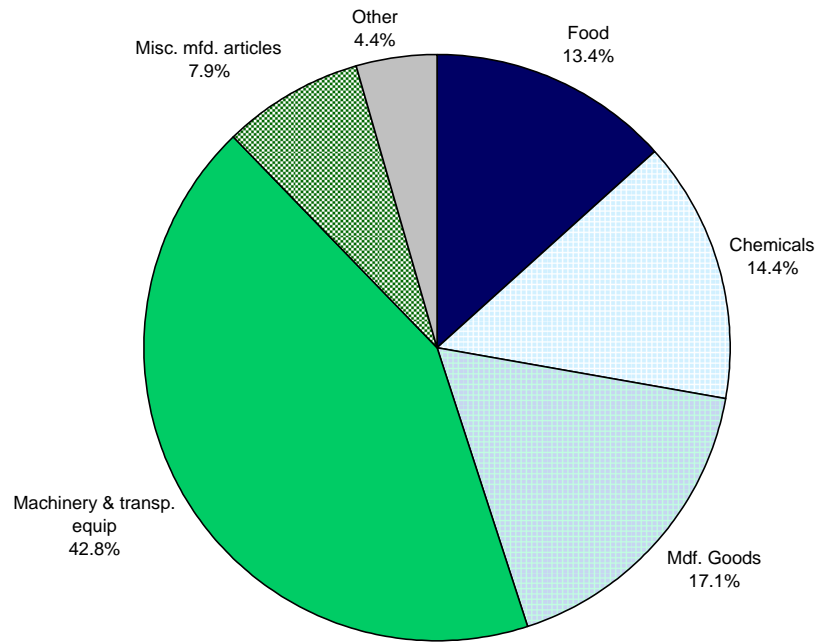


FIGURE 2.9.5

DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S IMPORTS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY PRINCIPAL SITC SECTIONS: 2001

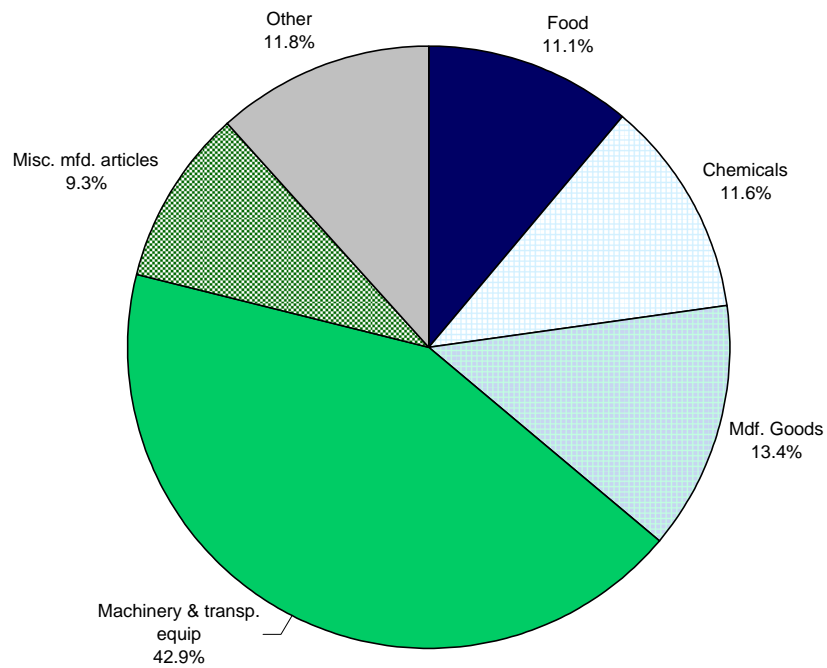


TABLE 2.9.7: VALUE AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY SITC SECTIONS: 1996- 2001

	(EC\$'000)					
S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
ALL SECTIONS	2,209,930	2,736,657	2,353,613	2,460,852	2,967,669	2,040,226
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	1,112,275	1,410,987	1,313,031	1,334,622	1,197,243	751,259
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.	63,786	81,439	86,626	52,827	51,521	52,750
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUEL.	664,404	734,133	604,506	653,449	705,546	633,914
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.	59,127	77,555	31,926	161,514	600,247	171,691
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES.	21	36	2	348	499	2,164
5 CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS N.E.S.	261,327	377,795	258,277	194,623	325,153	349,081
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.	17,512	21,614	33,000	20,675	32,781	43,720
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.	12,335	12,699	16,151	32,866	43,575	27,353
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.	19,002	20,207	9,559	8,098	9,175	6,626
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE.	141	192	535	1,830	1,929	1,668
						(Percent)
ALL SECTIONS	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	50.3	51.6	55.8	54.2	40.3	36.8
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.	2.9	3.0	3.7	2.1	1.7	2.6
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUEL.	30.1	26.8	25.7	26.6	23.8	31.1
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.	2.7	2.8	1.4	6.6	20.2	8.4
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
5 CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS N.E.S.	11.8	13.8	11.0	7.9	11.0	17.1
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.	0.8	0.8	1.4	0.8	1.1	2.1
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.	0.6	0.5	0.7	1.3	1.5	1.3
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

Notes:

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TABLE 2.9.8: VALUE AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S TOTAL EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY SITC SECTIONS: 1996- 2001

S.I.T.C. SECTIONS	(EC\$'000)					
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
ALL SECTIONS	2,261,758	2,764,957	2,397,427	2,584,652	3,049,393	2,091,349
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	1,114,966	1,411,761	1,313,584	1,336,172	1,197,934	751,495
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.	64,113	82,253	88,205	53,528	51,869	53,384
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUEL.	664,955	735,185	605,079	654,088	705,763	634,318
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.	59,178	77,560	32,171	161,561	600,371	171,765
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES.	26	37	3	351	501	2,165
5 CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS N.E.S.	262,437	380,668	260,094	195,214	326,315	350,150
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.	19,529	23,937	34,379	24,488	36,513	46,608
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.	54,743	29,974	46,956	140,165	110,034	62,397
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.	21,299	23,087	15,863	16,322	17,074	16,322
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE.	512	495	1,093	2,763	3,019	2,745
	(Percent)					
ALL SECTIONS	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	49.3	51.1	54.8	51.7	39.3	35.9
1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO.	2.8	3.0	3.7	2.1	1.7	2.6
2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUEL.	29.4	26.6	25.2	25.3	23.1	30.3
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS.	2.6	2.8	1.3	6.3	19.7	8.2
4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS, FATS AND WAXES.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
5 CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS N.E.S.	11.6	13.8	10.8	7.6	10.7	16.7
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL.	0.9	0.9	1.4	0.9	1.2	2.2
7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT.	2.4	1.1	2.0	5.4	3.6	3.0
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES.	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.8
9 COMMODITIES AND TRANSACTIONS NOT CLASSIFIED ELSEWHERE.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

Notes:

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FIGURE 2.9.6 DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY PRINCIPAL SITC SECTIONS: 1996

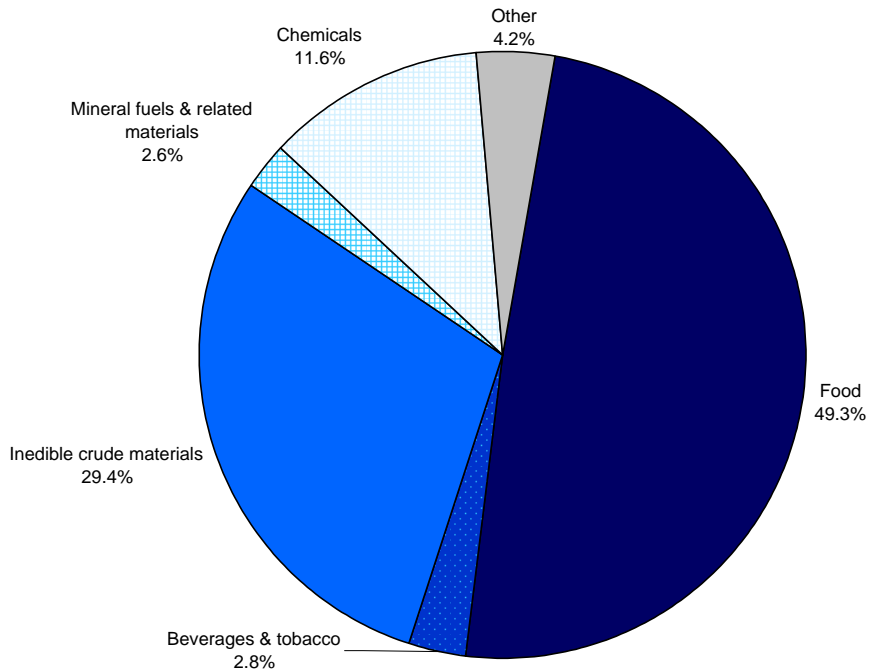


FIGURE 2.9.7 DISTRIBUTION OF CARICOM'S EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, BY PRINCIPAL SITC SECTIONS: 2001

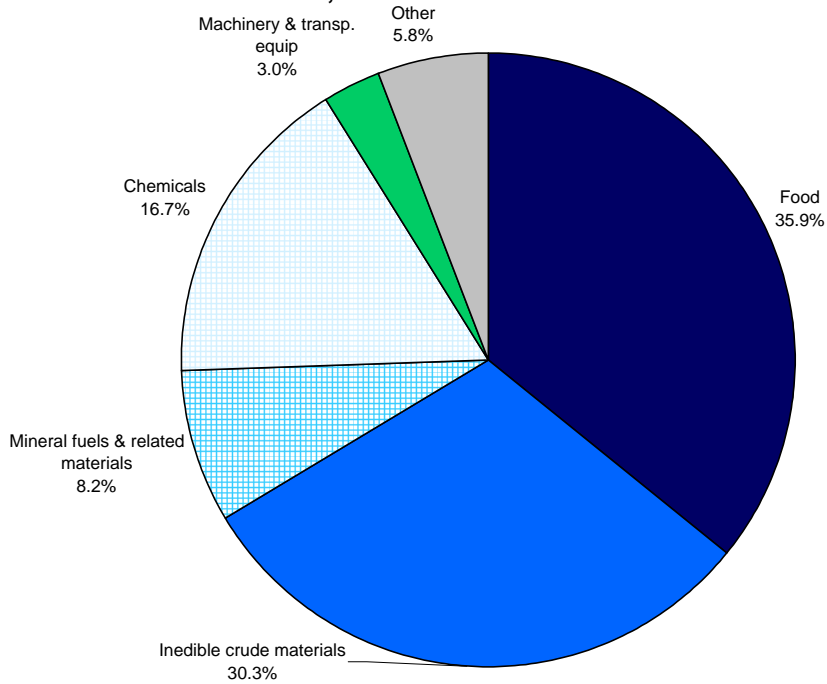


TABLE 2.9.9: CARICOM'S TOP 20 IMPORTS FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO SITC GROUPS: 1996-2001
(Top 20 based on the year 2001)

Group Description	SITC Group	(EC\$'000)											
		1996		1997		1998		1999		2000		2001	
		Value	% of B	Value	% of B	Value	% of B	Value	% of B	Value	% of B	Value	% of B
Heating and cooling equipment and parts thereof, n.e.s.	741	64,019	2.4	429,705	12.7	470,047	14.4	114,894	4.1	132,668	4.5	583,200	16.0
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (other than crude); preparations, n.e.s. containing by weight 70% or more of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals, these oils being the basic constituents of the preparation.	334	21,442	0.8	9,058	0.3	5,656	0.2	31,055	1.1	33,859	1.1	299,396	8.2
Medicaments (including veterinary medicaments).	542	92,653	3.4	112,938	3.3	115,684	3.5	144,871	5.2	130,317	4.4	141,500	3.9
Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (other than public-transport type vehicles), including station wagons and racing cars.	781	100,610	3.7	110,064	3.2	113,283	3.5	105,544	3.8	133,265	4.5	129,641	3.6
Telecommunications equipment, n.e.s.; and parts, n.e.s. and accessories of telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment.	764	26,595	1.0	19,695	0.6	41,164	1.3	21,298	0.8	73,873	2.5	124,286	3.4
Milk and cream and milk products other than butter or cheese.	022	136,692	5.0	149,596	4.4	130,819	4.0	123,580	4.4	144,451	4.9	110,064	3.0
Printed matter.	892	84,282	3.1	85,442	2.5	89,372	2.7	99,688	3.5	85,312	2.9	83,470	2.3
Alcoholic beverages.	112	48,098	1.8	53,089	1.6	59,704	1.8	75,529	2.7	66,976	2.3	65,738	1.8
Clay construction materials and refractory construction materials.	662	39,947	1.5	43,091	1.3	56,906	1.7	62,445	2.2	51,151	1.7	59,032	1.6
Furniture and parts thereof; bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings.	821	8,445	0.3	13,051	0.4	18,363	0.6	25,623	0.9	26,309	0.9	55,379	1.5
Engines and motors, non-electric (other than steam turbines and other vapour turbines, internal combustion piston engines and other power generating machinery); parts, n.e.s. of these engines and motors.	714	7,204	0.3	36,281	1.1	14,847	0.5	61,885	2.2	6,646	0.2	54,490	1.5
Equipment for distributing electricity, n.e.s.	773	38,416	1.4	40,944	1.2	44,073	1.3	23,853	0.8	48,161	1.6	52,620	1.4
Electrical apparatus for switching or protecting electrical circuits, or for making connections to or in electrical circuits; electrical resistors, other than heating resistors; printed circuits,	772	30,700	1.1	31,423	0.9	36,978	1.1	34,245	1.2	47,397	1.6	48,777	1.3
Civil engineering and contractors' plant and equipment.	723	24,263	0.9	46,349	1.4	43,976	1.3	38,390	1.4	53,370	1.8	47,600	1.3
Mechanical handling equipment, and parts thereof, n.e.s.	744	30,799	1.1	24,829	0.7	57,442	1.8	46,020	1.6	69,596	2.3	46,229	1.3
Edible products and preparations, n.e.s.	098	44,230	1.6	50,164	1.5	50,190	1.5	43,724	1.6	39,921	1.3	46,115	1.3
Structures and parts of structures, n.e.s., of iron, steel or aluminium.	691	13,358	0.5	22,180	0.7	31,190	1.0	21,033	0.7	25,535	0.9	45,129	1.2
Vegetables, fresh, chilled, frozen or simply preserved (including dried leguminous vegetables); roots, tubers and other edible vegetable products, n.e.s., fresh or dried.	054	17,171	0.6	45,546	1.3	33,552	1.0	30,646	1.1	47,687	1.6	44,852	1.2
Manufactures of base metal, n.e.s.	699	38,419	1.4	42,840	1.3	51,185	1.6	45,131	1.6	44,559	1.5	43,267	1.2
Cereal preparations and preparations of flour or starch of fruits or vegetables.	048	39,124	1.4	39,567	1.2	36,592	1.1	36,592	1.3	37,181	1.3	39,452	1.1
A. Total Value of Top 20 Imports from The European Union		906,469		1,405,851		1,501,023		1,186,048		1,298,234		2,120,239	
B. Value of Total Imports from The European Union		2,715,835		3,393,187		3,271,789		2,808,212		2,964,476		3,650,148	
A/B (%)		33.4		41.4		45.9		42.2		43.8		58.1	

Notes:

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TABLE 2.9.10: Value of CARICOM's Major Domestic Exports to the European Union: 1996 - 2001

		(EC\$'000)											
Commodity Description	SITC No.	1996		1997		1998		1999		2000		2001	
		Value	% of B	Value	% of B	Value	% of B	Value	% of B	Value	% of B	Value	% of B
Aluminium ores and concentrates (including alumina)	285	655,505	29.7	717,613	26.2	587,620	25.0	639,792	26.0	689,304	23.2	623,795	30.6
Cane sugar, raw	061.11	536,107	24.3	849,996	31.1	775,228	32.9	802,546	32.6	748,762	25.2	378,696	18.6
Methanol (methyl alcohol)	512.11	170,874	7.7	328,918	12.0	192,343	8.2	161,162	6.5	283,251	9.5	275,696	13.5
Bananas, fresh	057.31	416,347	18.8	366,328	13.4	312,978	13.3	301,003	12.2	250,387	8.4	252,178	12.4
Natural gas, liquefied.	343.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	105,417	4.3	322,246	10.9	85,599	4.2
Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals (other than crude); preparations, n.e.s. containing by weight 70% or more of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals.	334	51,255	2.3	67,678	2.5	27,685	1.2	41,862	1.7	276,417	9.3	83,622	4.1
Anhydrous ammonia	522.611	84,738	3.8	13,447	0.5	39,246	1.7	23,932	1.0	27,826	0.9	62,742	3.1
Rum and tafia.	112.44	53,944	2.4	72,262	2.6	77,009	3.3	38,063	1.5	36,544	1.2	40,013	2.0
Ferrous products obtained by direct reduction of iron ore.	671.331	-	-	-	-	5,613	0.2	-	-	10,889	0.4	37,969	1.9
Nutmeg	075.251	7,536	0.3	14,655	0.5	15,562	0.7	28,337	1.2	19,263	0.6	27,572	1.4
Concentrated grapefruit juice.	059.21	15,116	0.7	7,219	0.3	8,949	0.4	11,279	0.5	2,531	0.1	16,357	0.8
Cocoa beans, raw	072.11	13,032	0.6	12,045	0.4	14,710	0.6	10,508	0.4	8,814	0.3	8,629	0.4
Fruit, nuts and other edible parts of plants otherwise prepared or preserved, n.e.s., whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or spirit.	058.9	3,101	0.1	13,508	0.5	11,048	0.5	11,167	0.5	10,763	0.4	7,452	0.4
Urea	562.16	-	-	24,507	0.9	11,205	0.5	3,947	0.2	8,430	0.3	5,871	0.3
Orange juice	059.1	26,864	1.2	27,141	1.0	41,301	1.8	34,977	1.4	40,535	1.4	4,406	0.2
Rice	042	-	-	56,476	2.1	69,586	3.0	69,358	2.8	49,033	1.7	-	-
A. Total Value of Major Domestic Exports to the EU		2,034,418		2,571,793		2,190,083		2,283,349		2,784,996		1,910,597	
B. Value of Total Domestic Exports to the EU		2,209,930		2,736,657		2,353,613		2,460,852		2,967,669		2,040,226	
A/B (%)		92.1		94.0		93.1		92.8		93.8		93.6	

Notes:

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