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REVIEW OF OVERSEAS TRADE

During the month of April 2017, total imports to Barbados were valued at \$241.6 million, whilst total exports from Barbados were valued at \$67.2 million. This resulted in a visible trade deficit of \$174.4 million, as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$178.8 million for April 2016.

Imports for April 2017 were \$15.4 million less than imports for April 2016, a decrease of 6.0%. Total exports decreased by \$11.0 million or 14.1% of the April 2016 figure. Domestic exports decreased by \$0.6 million or 1.5% over April 2016, while the value of re-exports decreased by \$10.4 million or 29.7% over the corresponding period 2016.

For the period January – April 2017, the value of imports to Barbados was \$1.0 billion, whilst the value of total exports was \$327.3 million representing an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$705.8 million as compared to a similar deficit of \$648.2 million for January – April 2016.

Imports for January – April 2017 were \$3.9 million less than imports for the same period 2016, a decrease of 0.4%. Total exports showed a decrease of some \$61.6 million or 15.8% over the January - April 2016 figure. Domestic exports decreased by \$17.5 million or 10.0% over January – April 2016. The value of re-exports decreased by \$44.1 million or 20.5% over the corresponding period 2016.

CARICOM TRADE

During the month of April 2017, total imports from CARICOM countries were valued at \$50.1 million, whilst total exports to CARICOM were valued at \$23.2 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$26.9 million as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$17.5 million for April 2016.

Total CARICOM imports for April 2017 were \$7.3 million more than CARICOM imports for April 2016, an increase of 17.2%. Total exports to CARICOM for April 2017 were \$2.1 million less than total exports for April 2016, a decrease of 8.2%. Domestic exports decreased by \$1.1 million or 5.4% over April 2016. The value of re-exports decreased by some \$0.9 million, or 21.6%, over the April 2016 figure.

For the period January – April 2017, total imports from CARICOM were valued at \$216.3 million, whilst total exports were \$103.9 million resulting in an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$112.4 million as compared with a deficit of \$80.7 million for the same period of 2016.

During this period, CARICOM imports were approximately \$33.5 million more than those over the same period in 2016, an increase of 18.3%. Total exports to CARICOM for January – April 2017 were \$1.8 million more than total exports for the corresponding period 2016, an increase of 1.8%. Domestic exports decreased by approximately \$0.9 million or 1.1% over the same period 2016. The value of re-exports increased by \$2.8 million or 14.6% over the January – April 2016 figure.

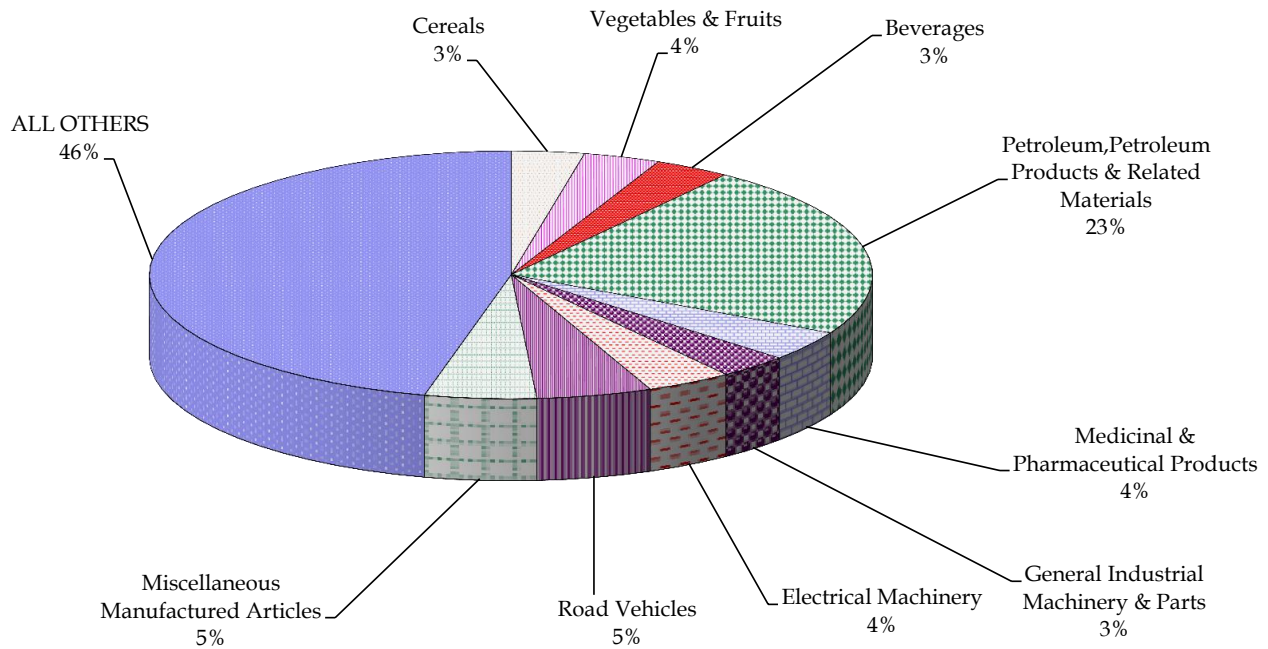
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016**

TABLE 1

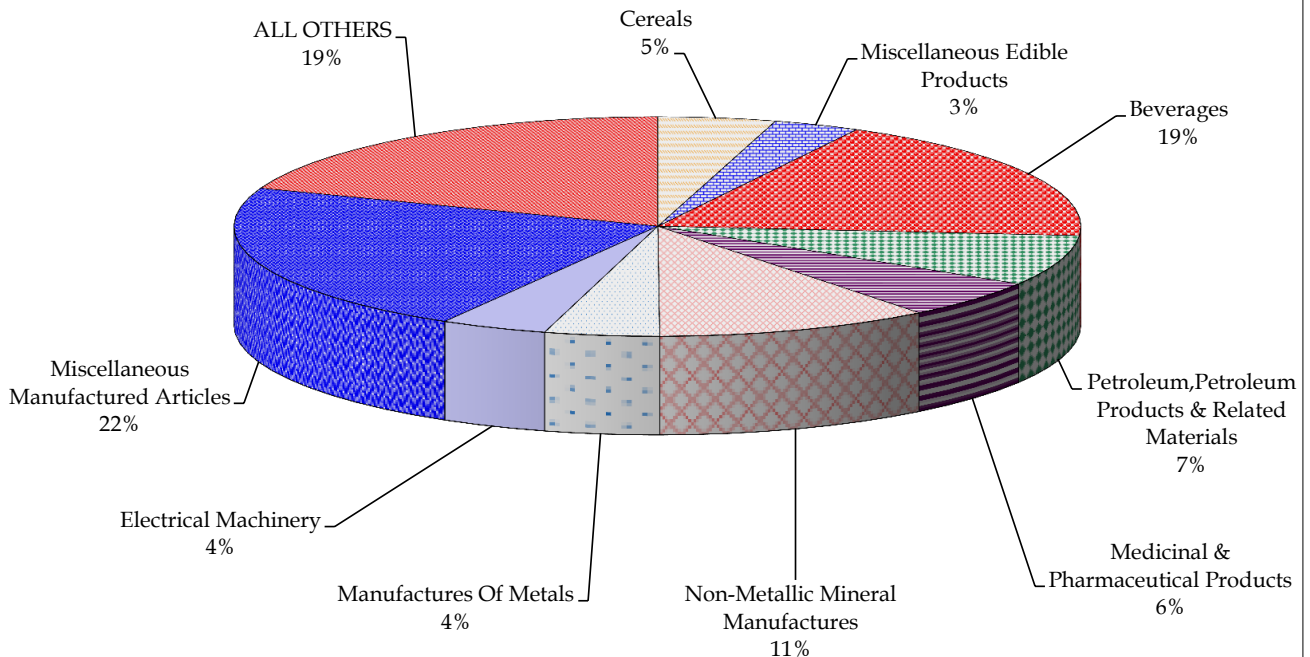
S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	44,548,667	45,928,432	5,037,481	5,671,462	116,581	177,991	5,154,062	5,849,453
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	8,431,471	8,243,348	7,925,295	8,580,377	1,386,579	481,158	9,311,874	9,061,535
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	8,011,943	3,142,103	379,246	576,556	827	2,461	380,073	579,017
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	55,983,490	36,165,290	3,168,380	2,010,119	14,865,661	8,709,267	18,034,041	10,719,386
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	836,142	1,498,304	215,189	309,397	12,890	280	228,079	309,677
5 CHEMICALS	26,312,724	27,335,987	3,672,867	7,410,992	2,404,448	3,351,801	6,077,315	10,762,793
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	24,655,568	30,296,933	7,226,566	7,695,766	1,005,066	686,579	8,231,632	8,382,345
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	43,398,655	60,566,399	3,828,080	4,086,905	432,527	3,201,385	4,260,607	7,288,290
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	28,823,491	43,080,565	10,623,591	6,649,211	4,337,366	18,342,606	14,960,957	24,991,817
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	645,965	790,439	591,194	307,254	300	300	591,494	307,554
TOTAL*	241,648,116	257,047,800	42,667,889	43,298,039	24,562,245	34,953,828	67,230,134	78,251,867

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Principal Imports - April 2017



Principal Domestic Exports - April 2017



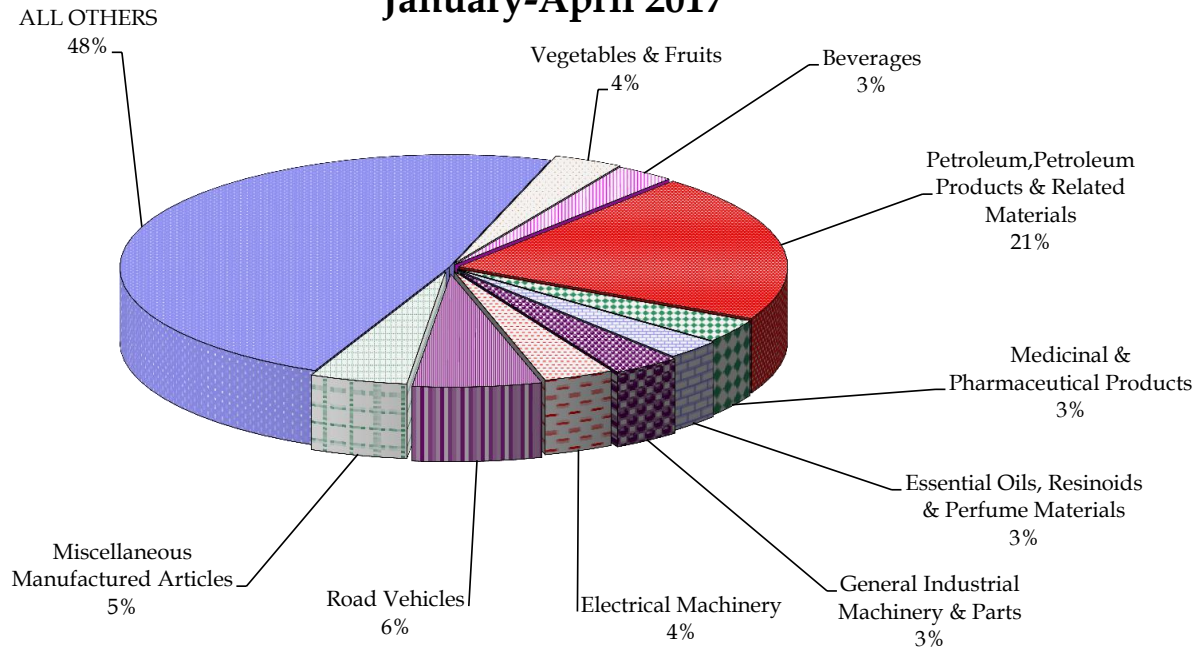
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2016**

TABLE 2

S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	181,605,258	174,808,598	21,994,448	22,885,526	2,055,253	438,911	24,049,701	23,324,437
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	33,002,060	30,203,484	30,996,954	29,745,214	11,064,213	2,644,779	42,061,167	32,389,993
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	20,949,834	19,779,562	2,499,168	2,403,413	350,026	170,678	2,849,194	2,574,091
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS*	227,130,656	146,523,602	9,576,250	4,017,767	76,341,420	50,353,625	85,917,670	54,371,392
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	4,877,941	5,639,989	999,031	1,122,517	38,725	738	1,037,756	1,123,255
5 CHEMICALS	106,426,118	105,674,219	20,802,585	32,236,409	24,356,129	14,964,037	45,158,714	47,200,446
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	113,735,318	111,744,746	25,104,625	25,388,368	5,954,647	4,406,091	31,059,272	29,794,459
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	215,482,320	226,865,776	12,358,032	11,859,444	3,084,857	7,810,908	15,442,889	19,670,352
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	126,835,988	211,677,897	30,272,901	41,798,703	47,383,161	133,934,677	77,656,062	175,733,380
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	3,079,346	4,152,284	2,081,850	2,697,014	16,706	5,585	2,098,556	2,702,599
TOTAL*	1,033,124,839	1,037,070,157	156,685,844	174,154,375	170,645,137	214,730,029	327,330,981	388,884,404

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Principal Imports January-April 2017



Principal Domestic Exports January- April 2017

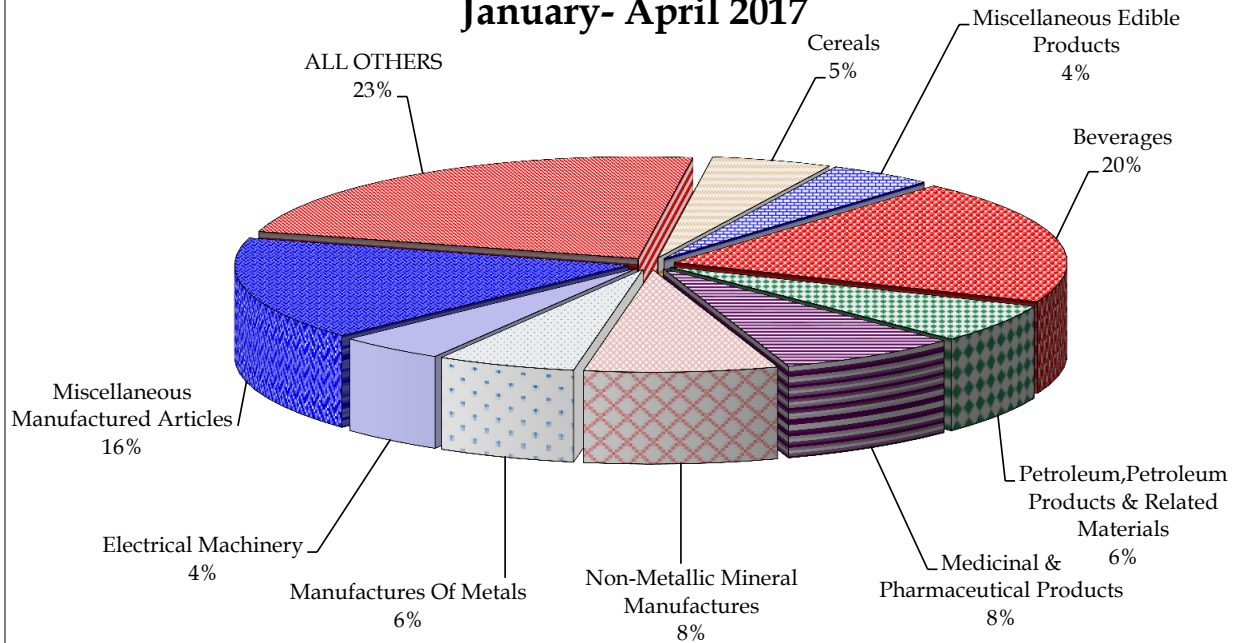


TABLE 3

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES AND GROUP
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016

COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016
UNITED KINGDOM	9,770,498	13,715,388	1,125,592	3,655,941	310,906	268,030	1,436,498	3,923,971
CANADA	4,679,889	5,901,206	1,311,930	1,541,637	25,022	66,928	1,336,952	1,608,565
UNITED STATES	87,611,240	93,339,554	9,938,261	7,279,558	4,248,511	19,651,209	14,186,772	26,930,767
CARICOM *	50,127,949	42,781,012	19,815,067	20,951,842	3,421,182	4,365,655	23,236,249	25,317,497
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	1,711,737	6,720,312	7,668,429	8,192,964	2,624,794	2,702,726	10,293,223	10,895,690
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	10,365,415	10,862	1,194,452	1,019,807	209,186	351,038	1,403,638	1,370,845
PUERTO RICO	13,353,894	8,193,572	54,498	35,975	-	2,000	54,498	37,975
VENEZUELA	197	196	175,525	7,601	-	-	175,525	7,601
JAPAN	6,652,771	6,540,915	5,020	-	-	-	5,020	-
GERMANY	2,218,865	5,714,910	65,251	235,579	28,687	-	93,938	235,579
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	56,867,226	80,850,185	8,982,293	8,570,099	1,453,130	1,540,684	10,435,423	10,110,783
STORES/BUNKERS *	172	-	-	-	14,865,621	8,708,284	14,865,621	8,708,284
TOTAL *	241,648,116	257,047,800	42,667,889	43,298,039	24,562,245	34,953,828	67,230,134	78,251,867

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**MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016**

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2017	2016
UNITED STATES	044	Maize Unmilled	1,755,145	3,137
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,728,548	2,161,316
	098	Edible Products	3,422,415	4,126,545
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	4,311,393	113,037
	248	Wood Simply Worked	2,089,433	944,700
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	2,000,841	2,822,094
	642	Articles Of Paper	2,055,081	1,994,789
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	2,081,107	2,698,123
	893	Articles Of Plastic	2,328,155	2,358,675
	897	Jewellery	1,812,587	3,764,837
TRINIDAD & TOB.	022	Milk And Cream	485,650	364,830
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,342,769	1,217,136
	058	Fruits Prep.,Preserved	398,970	347,096
	098	Edible Products	685,170	803,373
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1,350,417	1,403,240
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	31,359,900	19,712,235
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	528,787	882,513
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	934,672	649,383
	642	Articles Of Paper	679,501	1,123,731
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	640,915	61,929
PUERTO RICO	098	Edible Products	27,622	100
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	12,226,281	7,804,845
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	153,080	98,652
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	57,430	51,310
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	41,428	44,047
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	81,284	3,878
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	87,596	1,386
	778	Electrical Machinery & Apparatus	22,987	-
	892	Printed Matter	24,384	5,647
	893	Articles Of Plastic	511,946	22,335
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres,Cases	486,988	743,878
	752	Data Processing Machines	749,963	894,848
	761	Television Receivers	356,156	309,245
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	1,245,590	1,097,705
	776	Valves Tubes Diodes	477,871	140,534
	813	Light Fixtures,Fittings	463,780	50,109
	821	Furniture And Parts	385,442	500,570
	851	Footwear	351,947	768,239
	893	Articles Of Plastic	504,745	289,440
	897	Jewellery	418,441	3,138,181
BAHAMAS	334	Petroleum Products Refined	10,331,828	-
	846	Clothing Accessories	60	-
	884	Optical Cord	120	-

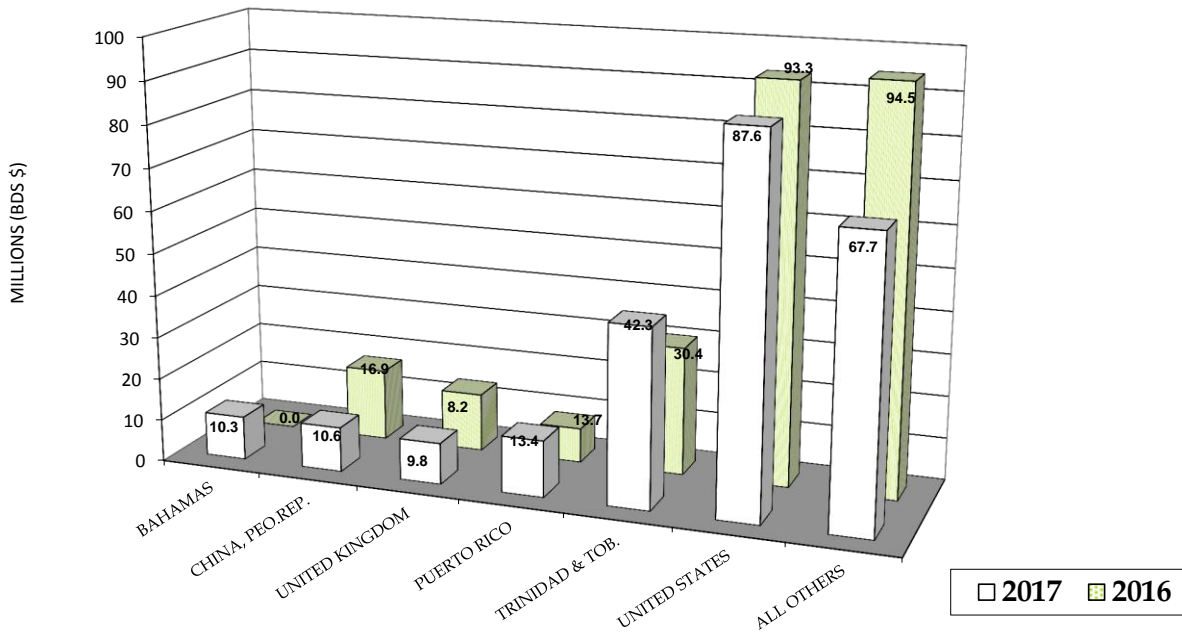
**MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016**

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2017	2016
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	193,622	543,641
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	3,373,442	3,457,889
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	184,758	177,968
	667	Pearls And Precious Stones	517,282	674,786
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	675,233	164,789
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	1,256,829	690,157
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	154,204	41,506
	891	Arms And Ammunition	631,454	-
	897	Jewellery	1,304,611	951,980
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	435,716	37,160
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	289,033	222,971
	059	Fruit Juices	37,048	31,661
	091	Margarine And Shortening	405,720	779,121
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	357,376	-
	333	Petroleum Crude	3,126,264	2,009,309
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	76,754	408,437
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	100,500	1,074,509
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	64,399	171,106
	692	Metal Containers	134,157	425,397
	892	Printed Matter	111,572	109,074
GUYANA	017	Meat Prepared	106,953	-
	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	195,840	199,824
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	54,093	107,923
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	106,358	227,895
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	76,801	134,410
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	110,219	101,644
	661	Lime, Cement	2,951,600	3,147,942
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	91,978	-
	781	Motor Cars	59,000	-
	892	Printed Matter	145,999	294,686
CHINA, PEO.REP.	592	Starches, Inulin,Glues	4	-
	692	Metal Containers	5	-
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	144,001	17,610
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	6	-
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	2,944,780	2,042,040
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	500	2,400
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	167,685	111,842
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	232,316	293,478
	091	Margarine And Shortening	46,996	161,101
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	481,569	-
JAMAICA	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	668,203	6,799
	642	Articles Of Paper	25,736	18,483
	692	Metal Containers	717,571	692,467
	752	Data Processing Machines	1,080	120
	892	Printed Matter	612,787	316,092
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	15,270	5,205

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2017	2016
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	14,865,621	8,708,284
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	231,382	46,272
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	225,150	111,683
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	145,940	-
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	90,871	324,232
UNITED STATES	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	115,381	252,481
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	202,626	266,918
	845	Articles Of Apparel	372,337	375,310
	851	Footwear	248,010	290,567
	885	Watches And Clocks	458,080	3,369,408
	897	Jewellery	1,207,390	10,333,751
ST. LUCIA	112	Alcoholic Beverages	17,614	3,320
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	15,967	28,647
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	468,853	344,862
	642	Articles Of Paper	23,142	410
	665	Glassware	53,490	-
	751	Office Machines	32,131	-
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	63,076	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	85,352	-
	872	Medical Appliances	60,475	1,614
	893	Articles Of Plastic	17,507	8,876
ST. KITTS/NEVIS	098	Edible Products	1,868	1,300
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	344	-
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	138,307	24,990
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	233,108	39,647
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	1,383	3,368
	629	Articles Of Rubber	936	-
	665	Glassware	66,816	28,397
	872	Medical Appliances	4,833	608
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	6,117	-
ANTIGUA	112	Alcoholic Beverages	23,317	-
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	11,127	10,061
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	23,115	81,064
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	319,683	132,035
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	382	552
	641	Paper And Paper Products	7,315	25,413
	642	Articles Of Paper	33,312	4,477
	872	Medical Appliances	20,263	39,383
	893	Articles Of Plastic	5,603	39,605
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	4,406	6,469

MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016

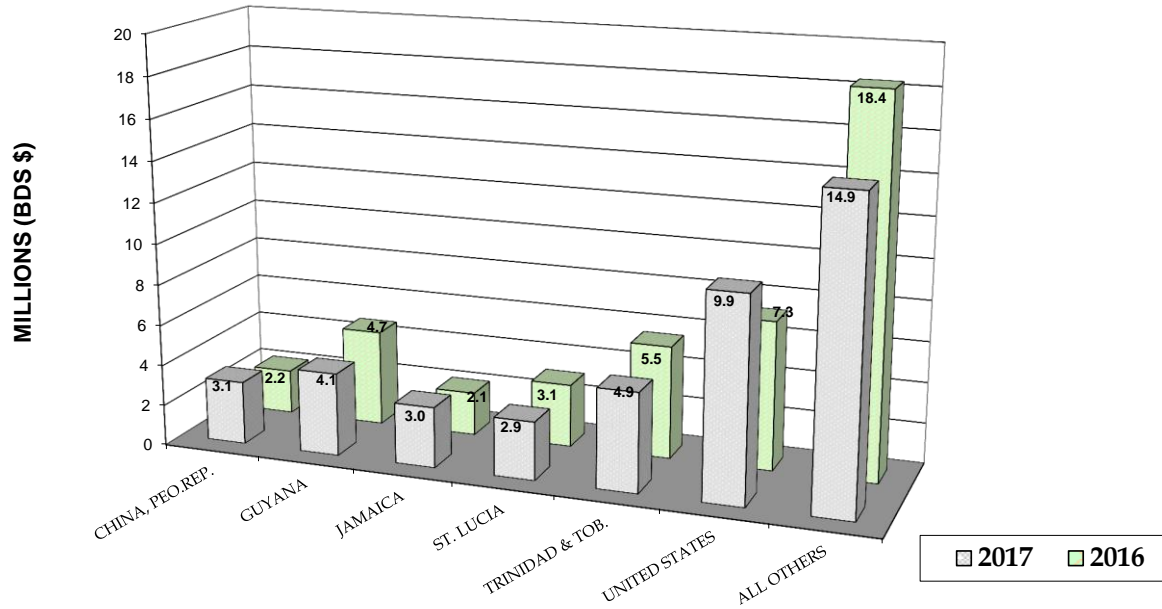


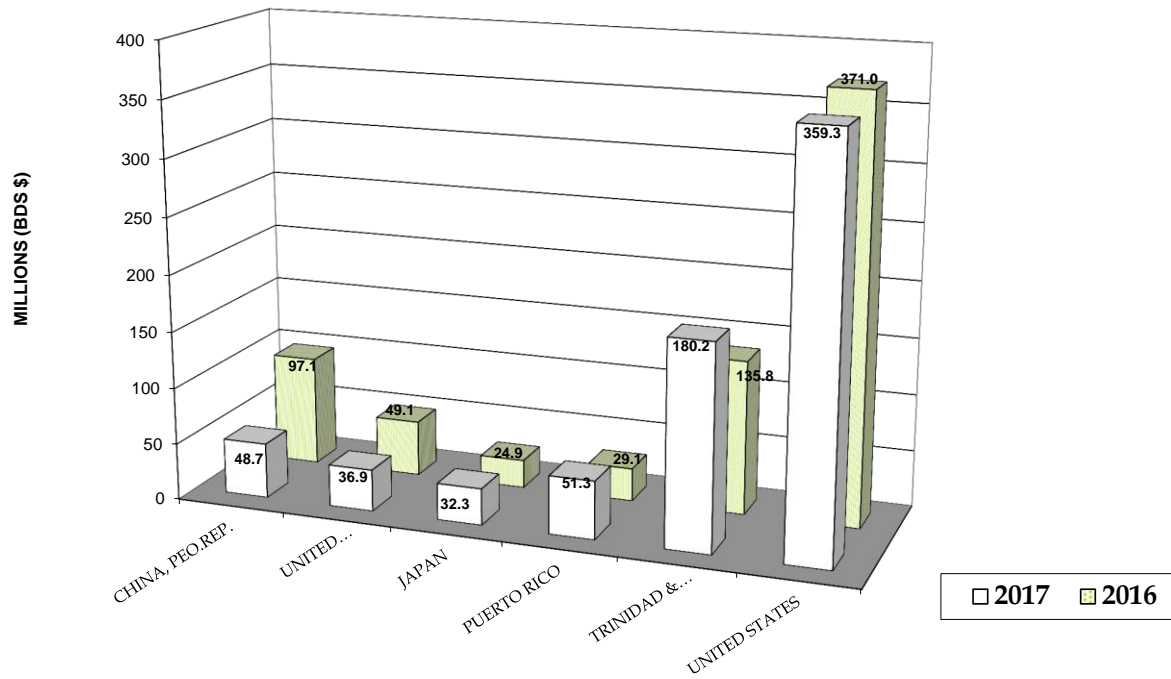
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VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES AND GROUP
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2016

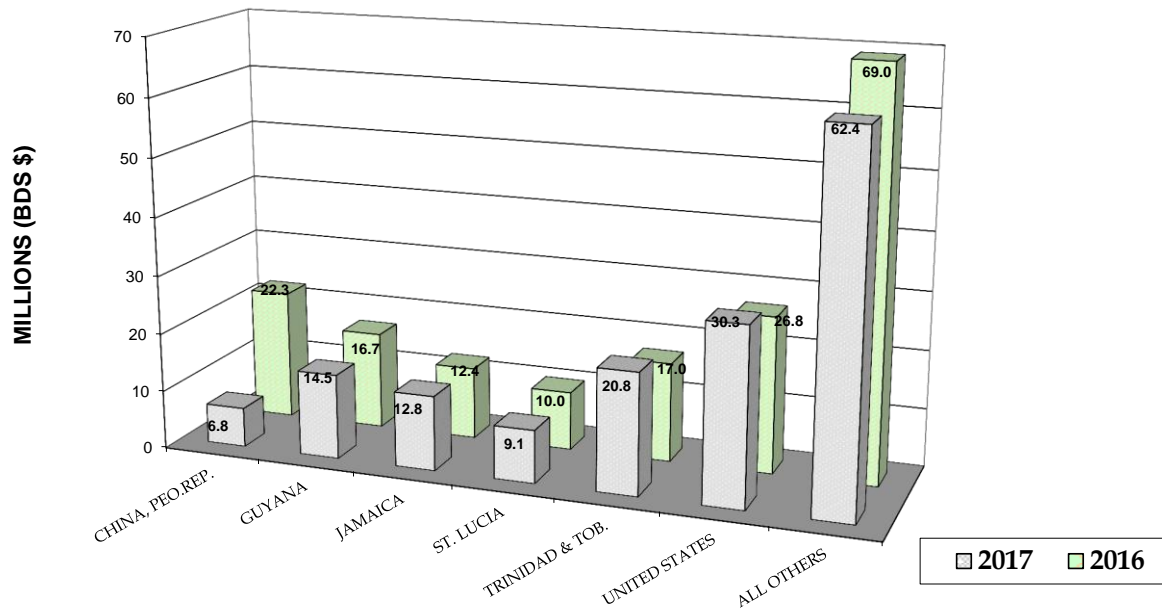
COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016
UNITED KINGDOM	36,680,784	48,953,402	4,967,787	7,046,506	957,878	1,588,234	5,925,665	8,634,740
CANADA	30,079,943	21,032,546	5,138,905	5,665,687	78,796	297,339	5,217,701	5,963,026
UNITED STATES	359,247,671	371,030,942	30,299,825	26,752,290	54,564,452	133,710,481	84,864,277	160,462,771
CARICOM *	216,324,928	182,784,164	82,232,600	83,151,738	21,659,784	18,898,668	103,892,384	102,050,406
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	14,865,330	27,060,852	30,833,320	34,234,949	9,265,224	10,467,900	40,098,544	44,702,849
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	15,572,499	85,066	6,428,117	4,636,255	1,945,864	1,860,641	8,373,981	6,496,896
PUERTO RICO	51,306,436	29,101,361	350,855	354,060	39,739	23,232	390,594	377,292
VENEZUELA	33,957	519	184,419	35,376	673	5,050	185,092	40,426
JAPAN	32,273,535	24,889,089	17,920	5,582	11,950	64,186	29,870	69,768
GERMANY	13,618,290	21,491,936	644,489	802,059	64,863	55,647	709,352	857,706
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	277,984,478	337,700,305	26,420,927	45,704,822	14,986,731	7,874,667	41,407,658	53,579,489
STORES/BUNKERS *	2,318	827	-	-	76,334,407	50,351,884	76,334,407	50,351,884
TOTAL *	1,033,124,839	1,037,070,157	156,685,844	174,154,375	170,645,137	214,730,029	327,330,981	388,884,404

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MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2016



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2016



**VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016**

TABLE 5

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S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	9,145,334	8,715,993	4,529,795	4,629,891	68,903	118,586	4,598,698	4,748,477
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	2,725,556	2,662,418	1,137,818	592,189	468,882	59,489	1,606,700	651,678
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	465,399	405,480	26,983	190,281	827	1,764	27,810	192,045
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	31,888,687	25,474,460	3,168,037	2,010,037	40	850	3,168,077	2,010,887
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	7,146	12,223	215,189	297,047	-	-	215,189	297,047
5 CHEMICALS	1,934,303	1,618,209	2,881,056	4,447,042	2,064,372	2,059,787	4,945,428	6,506,829
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	2,272,806	2,428,859	5,467,860	6,305,572	436,463	210,890	5,904,323	6,516,462
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	201,859	169,319	317,768	269,757	126,731	1,087,038	444,499	1,356,795
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	1,406,508	1,278,949	1,981,506	2,134,451	254,864	827,151	2,236,370	2,961,602
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	80,351	15,102	89,055	75,575	100	100	89,155	75,675
TOTAL *	50,127,949	42,781,012	19,815,067	20,951,842	3,421,182	4,365,655	23,236,249	25,317,497

**VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
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TABLE 6

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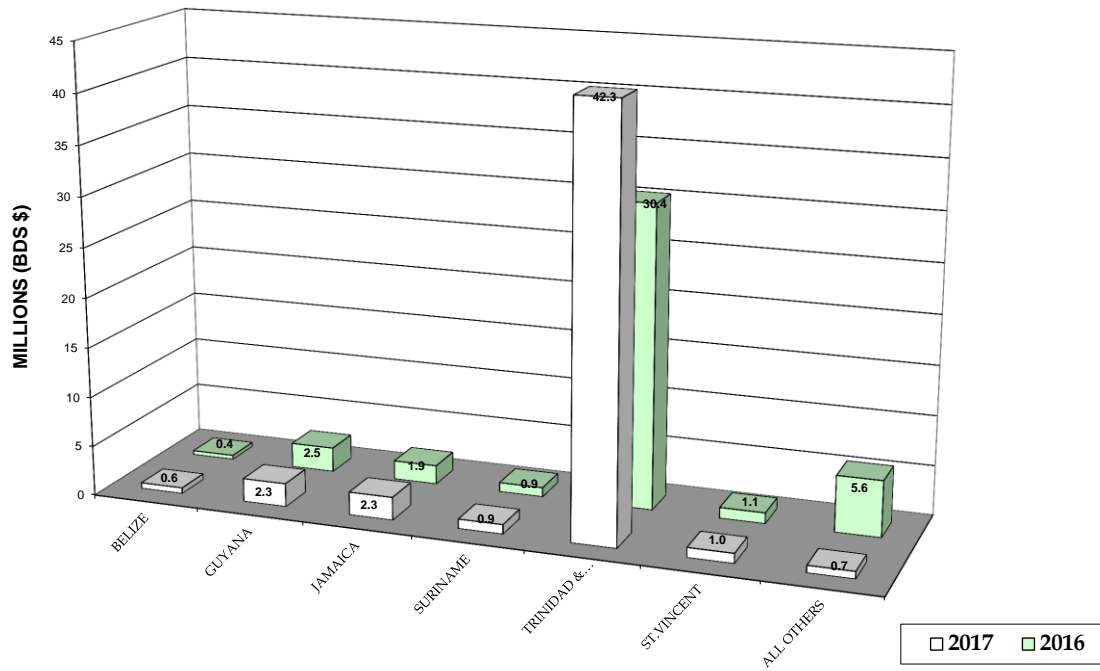
S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2016</u>
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	33,325,813	32,072,890	18,851,192	19,039,793	201,748	302,046	19,052,940	19,341,839
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	12,472,320	10,219,794	3,893,473	2,626,871	8,157,655	386,837	12,051,128	3,013,708
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	1,570,046	1,952,353	272,676	473,822	2,340	2,239	275,016	476,061
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	145,588,965	115,239,275	9,575,807	4,014,410	6,687	1,608	9,582,494	4,016,018
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	65,228	55,103	995,431	1,107,767	2,239	-	997,670	1,107,767
5 CHEMICALS	8,568,159	6,824,742	15,666,862	19,837,437	9,673,777	10,538,327	25,340,639	30,375,764
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	8,731,647	8,523,881	20,414,693	22,494,208	1,030,744	1,113,139	21,445,437	23,607,347
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	607,936	2,707,152	2,036,070	1,827,349	1,344,719	4,241,225	3,380,789	6,068,574
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	5,161,479	5,028,900	10,029,829	11,270,354	1,239,775	2,313,147	11,269,604	13,583,501
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	233,335	160,074	496,567	459,727	100	100	496,667	459,827
TOTAL *	216,324,928	182,784,164	82,232,600	83,151,738	21,659,784	18,898,668	103,892,384	102,050,406

TABLE 7

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016

COUNTRY	(BDS \$)							
	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016	2017*	2016
ANTIGUA	25,227	47,336	1,003,352	1,488,891	449,099	461,897	1,452,451	1,950,788
BELIZE	570,606	411,891	66,394	207,113	-	38,454	66,394	245,567
DOMINICA	9,144	12,341	563,900	207,324	200,915	279,226	764,815	486,550
GRENADA	129,200	114,998	1,677,364	1,593,809	395,660	383,404	2,073,024	1,977,213
GUYANA	2,330,827	2,469,299	4,068,099	4,707,543	297,830	77,393	4,365,929	4,784,936
HAITI	528	1,307	41	7,794	-	-	41	7,794
JAMAICA	2,293,675	1,891,583	2,971,346	2,130,475	279,584	318,180	3,250,930	2,448,655
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	-	-	551,780	925,542	453,712	113,640	1,005,492	1,039,182
ST. LUCIA	559,824	5,465,322	2,855,547	3,091,052	921,341	484,383	3,776,888	3,575,435
MONSTERRAT	67	-	44,384	6,158	1,113	10,694	45,497	16,852
SURINAME	947,910	927,131	187,577	167,124	-	-	187,577	167,124
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	42,272,666	30,359,489	4,853,181	5,538,829	218,974	1,228,902	5,072,155	6,767,731
ST. VINCENT	988,275	1,080,315	972,102	880,188	202,954	969,482	1,175,056	1,849,670
CARICOM TOTAL *	50,127,949	42,781,012	19,815,067	20,951,842	3,421,182	4,365,655	23,236,249	25,317,497
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	1,711,737	6,720,312	7,668,429	8,192,964	2,624,794	2,702,726	10,293,223	10,895,690

CARICOM IMPORTS
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016

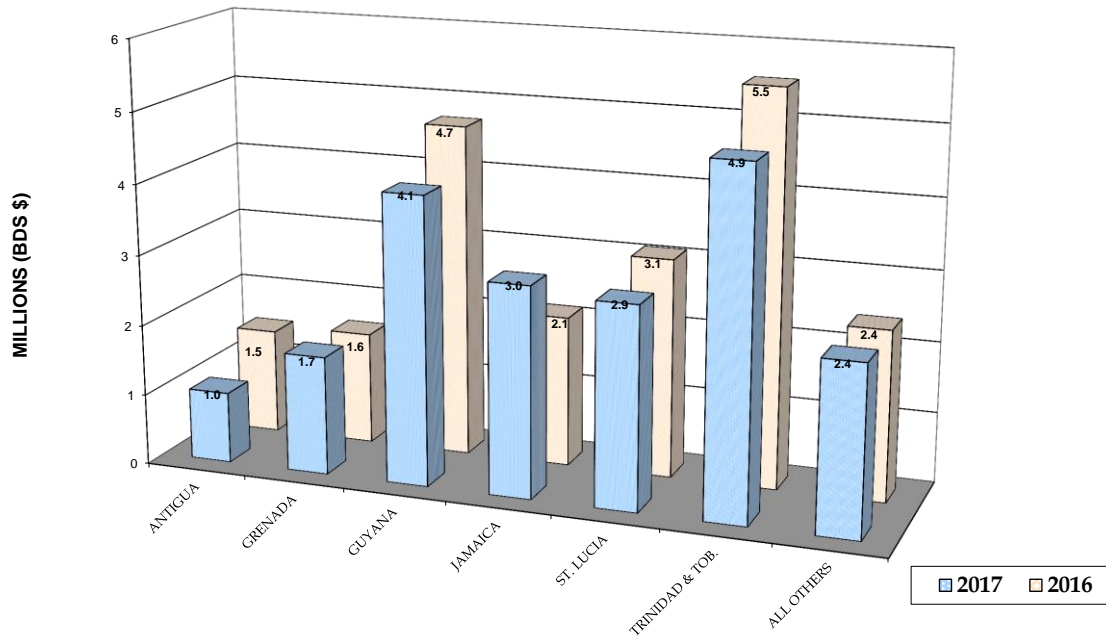


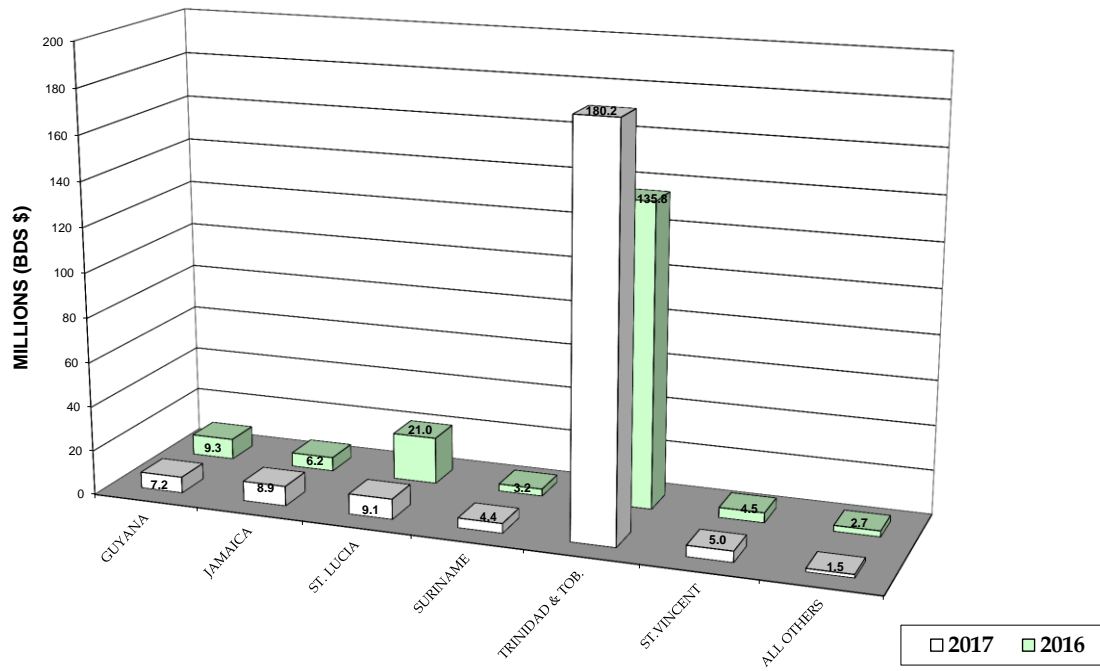
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VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2016

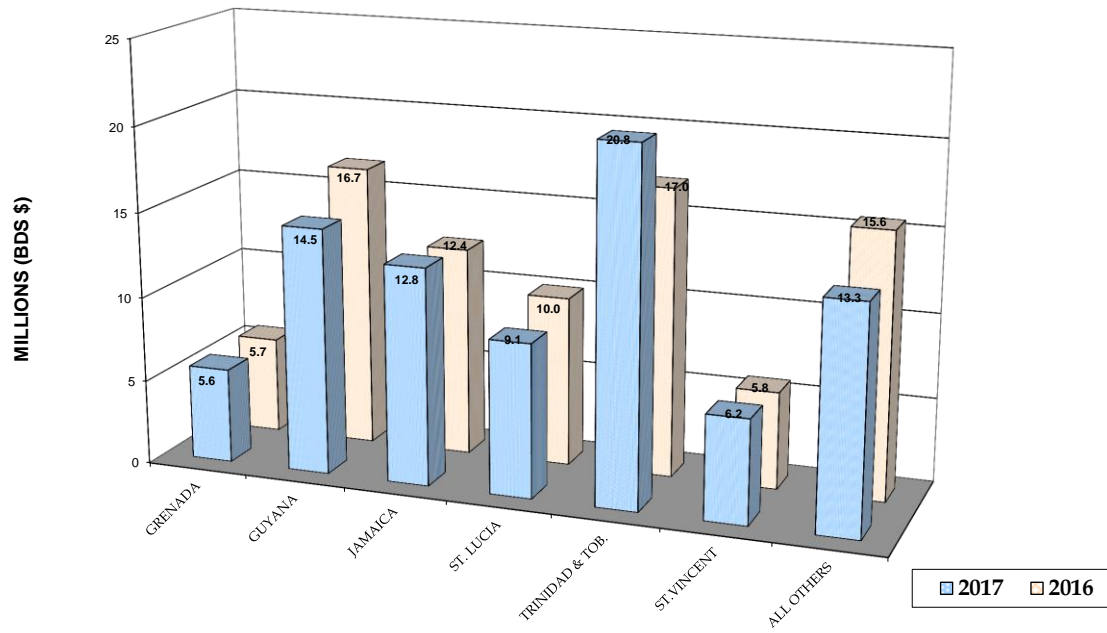
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COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2016</u>
ANTIGUA	145,181	221,341	4,194,817	6,584,084	1,927,228	2,239,429	6,122,045	8,823,513
BELIZE	744,693	1,118,076	806,267	1,105,583	15,756	38,454	822,023	1,144,037
DOMINICA	92,582	522,865	1,797,514	2,039,440	778,756	720,327	2,576,270	2,759,767
GRENADA	479,012	763,537	5,597,207	5,698,079	1,055,470	1,338,863	6,652,677	7,036,942
GUYANA	7,212,605	9,314,502	14,521,949	16,675,023	1,685,914	256,951	16,207,863	16,931,974
HAITI	40,592	13,108	258,355	39,354	73,692	77,952	332,047	117,306
JAMAICA	8,884,897	6,245,856	12,824,972	12,367,998	9,260,489	1,995,975	22,085,461	14,363,973
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	21,427	37,689	3,762,120	4,046,880	1,135,653	956,888	4,897,773	5,003,768
ST. LUCIA	9,133,421	21,007,417	9,084,333	10,033,471	2,196,146	2,917,054	11,280,479	12,950,525
MONSTERRAT	2,840	2,402	246,552	82,995	38,208	19,734	284,760	102,729
SURINAME	4,383,488	3,227,622	2,194,638	1,731,206	36,575	76,120	2,231,213	1,807,326
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	180,193,323	135,804,148	20,793,099	16,997,625	1,322,134	5,985,316	22,115,233	22,982,941
ST. VINCENT	4,990,867	4,505,601	6,150,777	5,750,000	2,133,763	2,275,605	8,284,540	8,025,605
CARICOM TOTAL *	216,324,928	182,784,164	82,232,600	83,151,738	21,659,784	18,898,668	103,892,384	102,050,406
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	14,865,330	27,060,852	30,833,320	34,234,949	9,265,224	10,467,900	40,098,544	44,702,849

CARICOM IMPORTS
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CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016



**PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016**

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2017	2016
IMPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	3,892,937	4,028,678
	098 Edible Products	6,292,392	9,320,063
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	5,425,343	4,764,782
	222 Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	4,325,033	189,134
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	54,865,357	34,101,216
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	8,696,787	8,751,782
	764 Telecommunication Equipment	3,892,886	6,781,115
	781 Motor Cars	5,032,578	7,987,904
	782 Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	4,138,286	3,452,691
	893 Articles Of Plastic	4,936,216	4,445,110
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,303,506	1,766,050
	091 Margarine And Shortening	1,278,156	1,281,123
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	7,889,771	8,426,622
	333 Petroleum Crude	3,126,264	2,009,309
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,402,021	4,381,724
	661 Lime, Cement	3,674,626	3,960,568
	772 Electric Switches Fuses	1,601,745	1,100,083
	892 Printed Matter	2,347,242	1,949,909
	897 Jewellery	1,593,182	977,612
	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	4,379,308	2,549,444
RE-EXPORTS	112 Alcoholic Beverages	767,545	208,146
	122 Tobacco Manufactured	533,735	211,701
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	14,865,661	8,709,134
	541 Medicinal Pharmacy Products	299,709	195,211
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,819,515	2,891,394
	635 Wood Manufactures	264,447	18,874
	845 Articles Of Apparel	417,933	404,599
	851 Footwear	644,209	823,233
	885 Watches And Clocks	620,783	3,417,571
	897 Jewellery	1,330,166	10,418,153

**SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016**

TABLE 9

(BDS \$)					
COMMODITY	SITC CODE	<u>2017</u>	%	<u>2016</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	-	0.0	138,824	0.3
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	1,278,156	3.0	1,281,123	3.0
RUM	112.441/449	7,165,682	16.8	7,967,367	18.4
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	704,011	1.6	885,413	2.0
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	2,402,485	5.6	4,382,700	10.1
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	-	0.0	2,055	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	319,825	0.7	2,006,509	4.6
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	278,369	0.7	432,528	1.0
CEMENT	661.222	3,674,626	8.6	3,923,549	9.1
METAL CONTAINERS	692	1,008,417	2.4	1,127,616	2.6
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	27,730	0.1	17,200	0.0
CLOTHING	841-848	23,729	0.1	42,619	0.1
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		16,883,030	39.6	22,207,503	51.3
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	771.21,776.1-3,81 772.31-33,35,38,41 44-46,49,51-56,59 778.6,72-74,79,849 841,759.95	1,602,701	3.8	1,117,560	2.6
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		24,182,158	56.7	19,972,976	46.1
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		42,667,889	100.0	43,298,039	100.0

*NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed
circuits for motor vehicles*

**SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2016**

TABLE 10

COMMODITY	SITC CODE	(BDS \$)			
		JANUARY -			
		<u>2017</u>	%	<u>2016</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	92,510	0.1	323,954	0.2
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	5,973,020	3.8	5,823,189	3.3
RUM	112.441/449	27,359,725	17.5	27,185,769	15.6
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	3,772,882	2.4	4,261,557	2.4
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	11,726,400	7.5	20,064,206	11.5
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	44,939	0.0	77,406	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	3,922,423	2.5	6,618,856	3.8
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	1,296,964	0.8	1,817,496	1.0
CEMENT	661.222	10,443,665	6.7	12,783,833	7.3
METAL CONTAINERS	692	5,947,503	3.8	4,476,996	2.6
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	67,709	0.0	129,125	0.1
CLOTHING	841-848	72,354	0.0	121,282	0.1
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		70,720,094	45.1	83,683,669	48.1
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	771.21,776.1-3,81 772.31-33,35,38,41 44-46,49,51-56,59 778.6,72-74,79,849 841,759.95	6,348,689	4.1	4,551,215	2.6
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		79,617,061	50.8	85,919,491	49.3
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		156,685,844	100.0	174,154,375	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles

MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2016

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2017	2016
UNITED STATES	057	Fruits And Nuts Fresh/Dry	7,150,827	6,994,224
	098	Edible Products	14,678,163	14,257,943
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	7,580,330	7,103,384
	248	Wood Simply Worked	6,628,064	5,473,926
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	9,052,014	9,408,637
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	6,852,657	5,785,625
	642	Articles Of Paper	9,436,148	8,584,469
	752	Data Processing Machines	6,973,188	7,766,216
	821	Furniture And Parts	7,592,900	7,585,403
	893	Articles Of Plastic	9,217,363	9,695,930
TRINIDAD & TOB.	034	Fish Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	1,335,799	1,144,484
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	4,676,520	4,436,240
	098	Edible Products	3,370,064	3,023,589
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	5,236,632	4,732,852
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	1,708,398	1,429,538
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	136,524,308	92,252,565
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	2,205,308	4,227,878
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	4,112,317	2,607,354
	642	Articles Of Paper	3,291,487	3,961,686
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,575,693	1,721,255
PUERTO RICO	334	Petroleum Products Refined	46,899,420	24,641,470
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	532,906	375,301
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	758,099	612,050
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	298,492	89,244
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	114,665	136,075
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	138,095	77,638
	642	Articles Of Paper	117,164	29,270
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	164,147	74,827
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	106,345	496,201
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,511,166	785,216
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres,Cases	1,692,285	1,701,369
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	1,540,956	1,477,538
	752	Data Processing Machines	2,609,208	3,085,031
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	3,386,099	4,543,337
	775	Household Type Equipment	1,309,209	1,305,024
	821	Furniture And Parts	2,107,217	2,092,263
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	1,930,705	1,962,463
	851	Footwear	1,709,103	2,441,430
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,801,592	2,046,527
	897	Jewellery	1,636,187	35,604,702
BAHAMAS	334	Petroleum Products Refined	15,357,178	-
	635	Wood Manufactures	794	-
	745	Other Non-Electric Machinery	10,000	-
	752	Data Processing Machines	9,522	732
	759	Office Machine Parts	651	102
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	62,310	-
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	39,004	-
	773	Electric Dist Equipment	1,081	-
	776	Valves Tubes Diodes	1,520	262
	846	Clothing Accessories	728	-

MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2016

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2017	2016
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	951,045	1,774,140
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	13,729,625	14,097,653
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	618,042	629,813
	667	Pearls And Precious Stones	517,282	674,786
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	766,921	266,394
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	4,958,900	3,017,900
	891	Arms And Ammunition	631,454	-
	897	Jewellery	1,353,898	1,343,079
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	1,763,866	908,665
	971	Non-Monetary Gold	596,779	418,898
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	990,470	744,668
	091	Margarine And Shortening	2,688,017	2,700,439
	098	Edible Products	218,673	125,061
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	733,724	342,729
	333	Petroleum Crude	9,403,489	3,999,923
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,227,957	1,951,403
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	1,165,285	2,714,434
	692	Metal Containers	1,480,753	1,583,737
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	250,199	3,850
	892	Printed Matter	344,136	567,173
GUYANA	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	750,910	838,324
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	691,818	699,905
	059	Fruit Juices	257,462	279,200
	091	Margarine And Shortening	295,142	458,778
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	873,397	1,110,175
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	302,153	204,658
	642	Articles Of Paper	283,098	518,375
	661	Lime, Cement	8,214,795	9,573,216
	892	Printed Matter	981,441	1,005,699
	893	Articles Of Plastic	460,823	565,508
CHINA, PEO.REP.	071	Coffee And Coffee Substitutes	100	-
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	100	-
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	236,001	28,851
	742	Pumps For Liquids	400	-
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	600	48
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	4,400	-
	778	Electrical Machinery & Apparatus	24	20
	895	Office Supplies	40	-
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	6,506,100	22,147,884
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	4,501	5,400
JAMAICA	017	Meat Prepared	299,247	486,662
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	335,393	502,593
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,296,414	1,509,724
	091	Margarine And Shortening	230,331	371,893
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	251,997	297,504
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	997,926	61,401
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,223,277	2,414,660
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	300,923	441,534
	692	Metal Containers	4,140,712	2,817,022
	892	Printed Matter	2,079,955	2,271,787

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2016

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2017	2016
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	76,334,407	50,351,884
	073	Chocolate And Preparations Of Cocoa	1,525,877	76,013
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	12,223,341	1,022,733
UNITED STATES	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	4,547,715	690,966
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	4,562,614	715,011
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	2,509,492	798,876
	845	Articles Of Apparel	3,260,899	1,015,485
	851	Footwear	4,202,413	1,052,913
	884	Optical Cord	1,282,449	399,511
	885	Watches And Clocks	3,348,248	14,770,946
	897	Jewellery	6,932,573	103,447,720
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	175,791	54,568
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	45,981	127,531
ST. LUCIA	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	964,683	1,481,444
	641	Paper And Paper Products	46,066	65,566
	665	Glassware	162,084	177,963
	751	Office Machines	90,181	-
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	116,466	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	124,027	163,080
	872	Medical Appliances	106,546	179,861
	893	Articles Of Plastic	44,605	74,170
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	102,814	13,416
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	42,733	33,356
ST. KITTS/NEVIS	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	164,058	49,723
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	556,364	388,288
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	12,412	6,207
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	10,466	12,472
	665	Glassware	150,526	175,395
	751	Office Machines	29,200	-
	872	Medical Appliances	11,698	34,812
	895	Office Supplies	25,200	-
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	60,329	34,991
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	62,716	62,191
ANTIGUA	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	104,683	132,204
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,331,656	1,279,733
	629	Articles Of Rubber	15,002	15,141
	642	Articles Of Paper	33,378	22,094
	751	Office Machines	28,410	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	126,883	234,977
	872	Medical Appliances	30,441	105,382
	893	Articles Of Plastic	42,937	89,935

PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
JANUARY - APRIL 2017 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2016

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2017	2016
IMPORTS	098 Edible Products	27,363,005	28,664,257
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	18,584,474	16,973,859
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	218,375,342	138,923,305
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	30,875,510	35,223,257
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	14,468,899	13,390,535
	642 Articles Of Paper	16,331,891	17,372,943
	752 Data Processing Machines	19,964,731	12,338,988
	781 Motor Cars	35,345,521	30,422,736
	782 Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	15,958,302	9,892,183
	893 Articles Of Plastic	19,525,013	20,197,753
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	5,605,368	6,457,569
	091 Margarine And Shortening	5,973,020	5,823,189
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	30,463,383	28,931,155
	333 Petroleum Crude	9,403,489	3,999,923
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	11,715,061	20,020,467
	661 Lime, Cement	10,479,498	12,824,098
	692 Metal Containers	5,947,503	4,476,996
	772 Electric Switches Fuses	6,314,802	4,490,688
	892 Printed Matter	8,128,046	9,198,898
	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	13,482,237	25,425,055
RE-EXPORTS	112 Alcoholic Beverages	9,320,019	1,424,245
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	76,334,553	50,352,734
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	10,272,720	12,715,946
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	12,501,242	1,160,820
	831 Travel Goods, Handbags	7,794,509	2,438,732
	841 Male Clothing-Non Knitted	5,489,639	1,027,790
	845 Articles Of Apparel	4,600,398	1,399,668
	851 Footwear	6,587,102	2,266,274
	885 Watches And Clocks	4,090,782	15,621,045
	897 Jewellery	7,487,855	103,828,539