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REVIEW OF OVERSEAS TRADE

During the month of April 2018, total imports to Barbados were valued at \$258 million, whilst total exports from Barbados were valued at \$77 million. This resulted in a visible trade deficit of \$181.8 million, as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$174.4 for April 2017.

Imports for April 2018 were \$17.3 million more than imports for April 2017, an increase of 7.2%. Total exports increased by \$9.9 million or 14.7% of the April 2017 figure. Domestic exports decreased by \$2.5 million or 5.8% over April 2017, while the value of re-exports increased by \$12.4 million or 50.3% over the corresponding period 2017.

For the period January – April 2018, the value of imports to Barbados was \$1.02 billion, whilst the value of total exports was \$327 million representing an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$697.6 million as compared to a similar deficit of \$705.8 million for January – April 2017.

Imports for January – April 2018 were \$7.6 million less than imports for the same period 2017, a decrease of 0.7%. Total exports showed an increase of some \$0.6 million or 0.2% over the January - April 2017 figure. Domestic exports increased by \$6.4 million or 4.1% over January – April 2017. The value of re-exports decreased by \$5.8 million or 3.4% over the corresponding period 2017.

CARICOM TRADE

During the month of April 2018, total imports from CARICOM countries were valued at \$52 million, whilst total exports to CARICOM were valued at \$27 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$25.3 million as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$26.9 million for April 2017.

Total CARICOM imports for April 2018 were \$2.2 million more than CARICOM imports for April 2017, an increase of 4.5%. Total exports to CARICOM for April 2018 were \$3.9 million more than total exports for April 2017, an increase of 16.6%. Domestic exports increased by \$2.7 million or 13.6% over April 2017. The value of re-exports increased by some \$1.2 million, or 33.8%, over the April 2017 figure.

For the period January – April 2018, total imports from CARICOM were valued at \$210 million, whilst total exports were \$109 million resulting in an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$100.8 million as compared with a deficit of \$112.4 million for the same period of 2017.

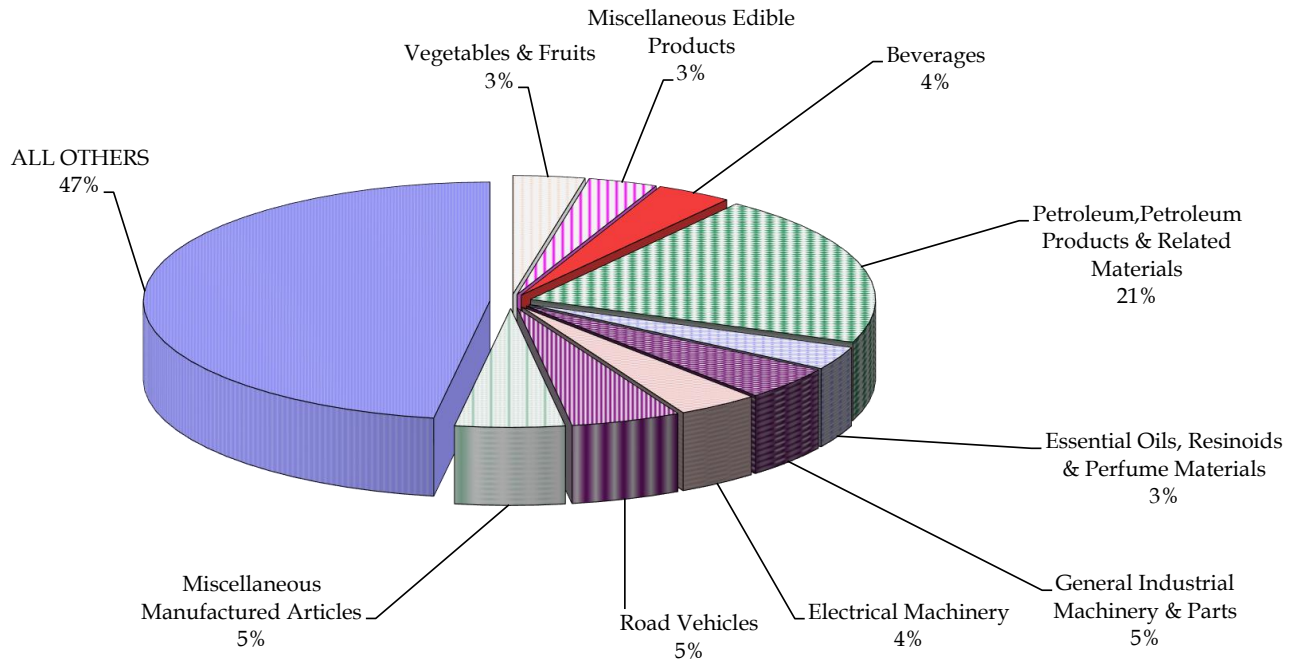
During this period, CARICOM imports were approximately \$5.5 million less than those over the same period in 2017, a decrease of 2.6%. Total exports to CARICOM for January – April 2018 were \$6.1 million more than total exports for the corresponding period 2017, an increase of 5.8%. Domestic exports increased by approximately \$13.4 million or 16.3% over the same period 2017. The value of re-exports decreased by \$7.3million or 33.8% over the January – April 2017 figure.

**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017**

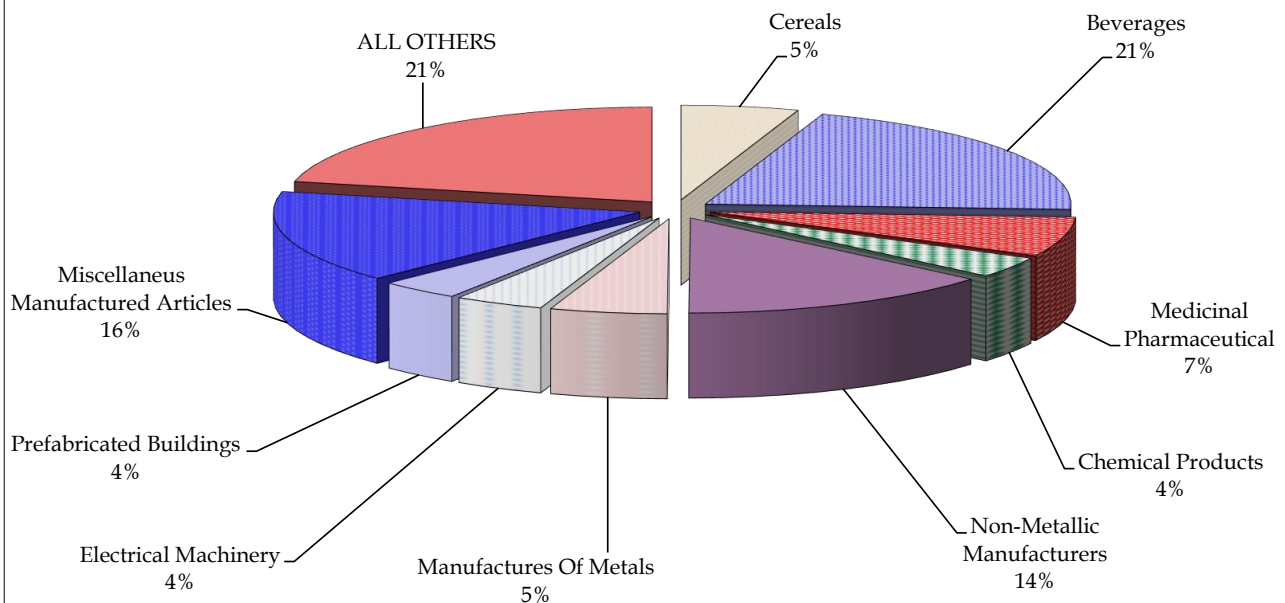
TABLE 1

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S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)						
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL		
			2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	50,173,175	44,549,043	5,158,168	5,037,481	86,596	116,581	5,244,764	5,154,062	
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	10,323,324	8,431,471	8,323,647	7,925,295	5,764,780	1,386,579	14,088,427	9,311,874	
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	3,490,720	8,011,943	266,318	379,246	3,923	827	270,241	380,073	
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	54,630,878	55,983,490	89,375	3,168,380	15,777,060	14,865,661	15,866,435	18,034,041	
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	2,226,348	836,142	228,153	215,189	606	12,890	228,759	228,079	
5 CHEMICALS	27,508,459	26,312,724	5,829,115	3,672,867	6,569,575	2,404,448	12,398,690	6,077,315	
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	27,047,531	24,655,568	8,757,168	7,226,566	594,771	1,005,066	9,351,939	8,231,632	
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	52,439,846	43,398,655	2,402,929	3,828,080	257,038	432,527	2,659,967	4,260,607	
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	30,582,469	28,823,491	8,430,113	10,623,591	7,863,381	4,337,366	16,293,494	14,960,957	
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	524,809	648,201	727,658	591,194	2,700	300	730,358	591,494	
TOTAL *	258,947,559	241,650,728	40,212,644	42,667,889	36,920,430	24,562,245	77,133,074	67,230,134	

Principal Imports - April 2018



Principal Domestic Exports - April 2018



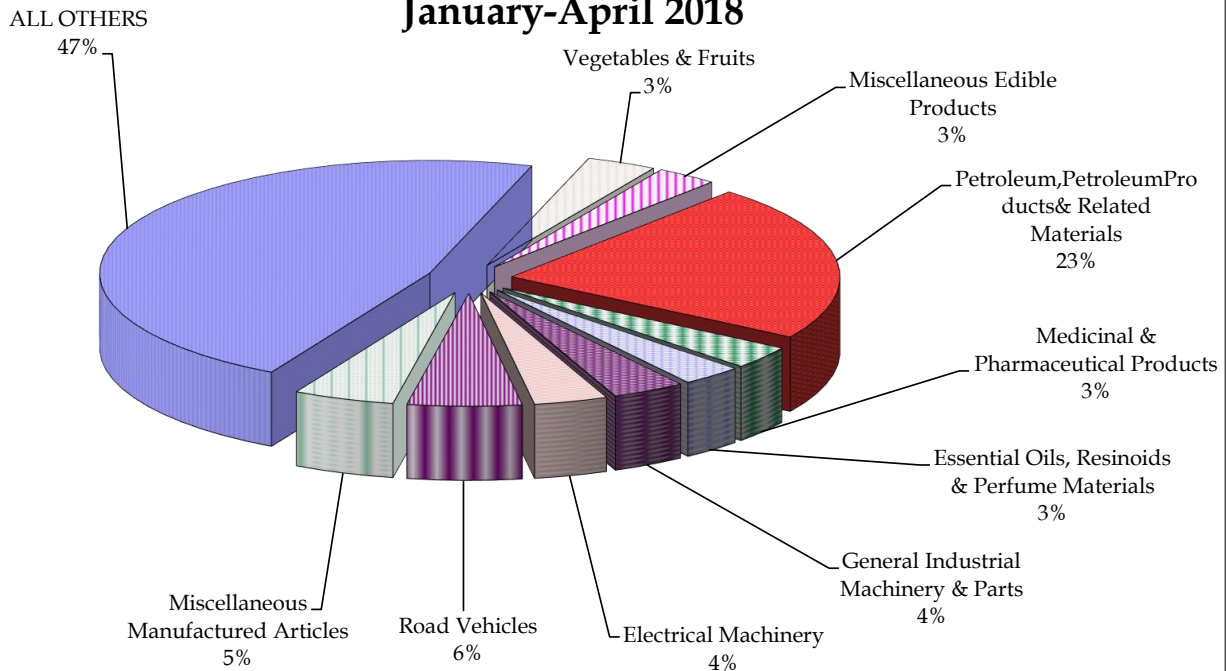
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2017**

TABLE 2

S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	194,037,680	181,605,634	21,949,807	21,994,448	2,911,311	2,055,253	24,861,118	24,049,701
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	34,329,778	33,002,060	30,832,592	30,996,954	10,363,781	11,064,213	41,196,373	42,061,167
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	18,016,000	20,949,834	1,759,717	2,499,168	76,877	350,026	1,836,594	2,849,194
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS*	239,247,208	227,130,656	8,075,431	9,576,250	88,843,221	76,341,420	96,918,652	85,917,670
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	7,489,072	4,877,941	1,224,577	999,031	1,425	38,725	1,226,002	1,037,756
5 CHEMICALS	108,804,058	106,426,118	26,282,513	20,802,585	20,262,892	24,356,129	46,545,405	45,158,714
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	104,250,996	113,735,318	30,790,516	25,104,625	2,236,739	5,954,647	33,027,255	31,059,272
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	193,474,131	215,482,320	9,634,202	12,358,032	1,282,367	3,084,857	10,916,569	15,442,889
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	122,828,792	126,835,988	30,536,693	30,272,901	38,853,504	47,383,161	69,390,197	77,656,062
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	3,081,430	3,081,582	1,974,535	2,081,850	51,650	16,706	2,026,185	2,098,556
TOTAL*	1,025,559,145	1,033,127,451	163,060,583	156,685,844	164,883,767	170,645,137	327,944,350	327,330,981

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Principal Imports January-April 2018



Principal Domestic Exports January- April 2018

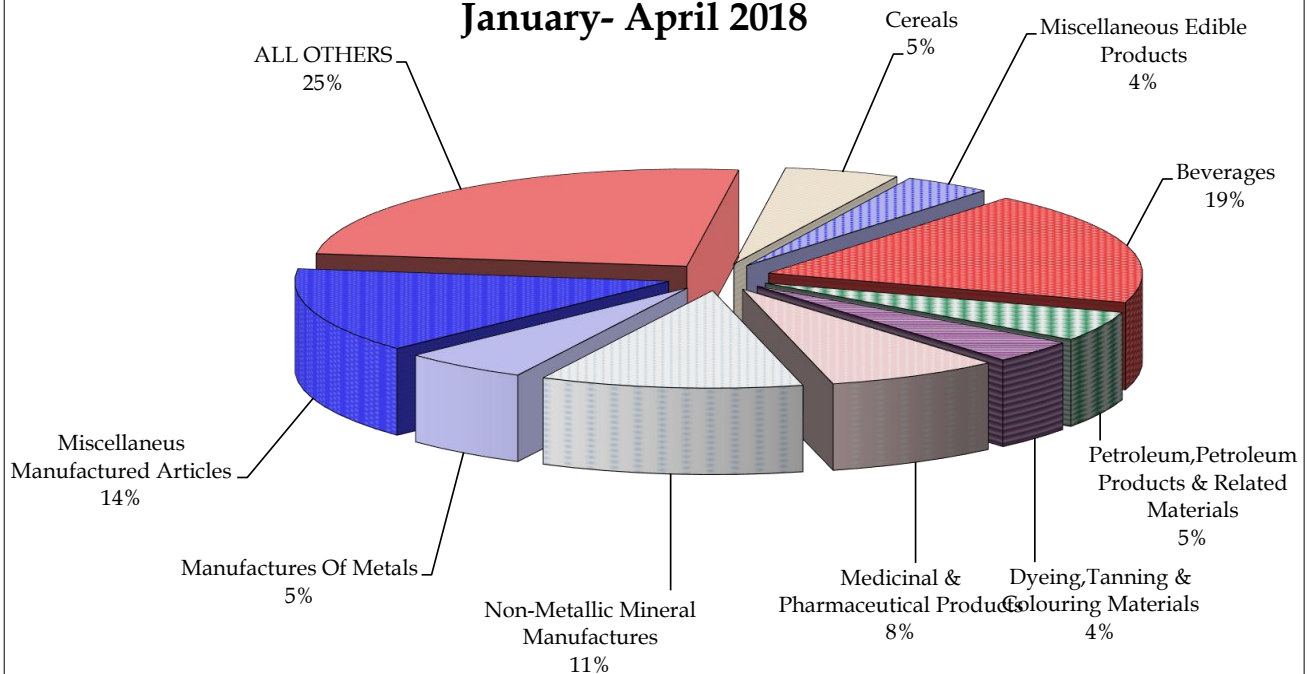


TABLE 3

**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES AND GROUP
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017**

COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017</u>
UNITED KINGDOM	15,458,077	9,770,498	1,323,395	1,125,592	214,317	310,906	1,537,712	1,436,498
CANADA	5,388,679	4,679,889	2,539,346	1,311,930	15,702	25,022	2,555,048	1,336,952
UNITED STATES	84,723,265	87,611,240	7,199,245	9,938,261	13,785,409	4,248,511	20,984,654	14,186,772
CARICOM *	52,359,190	50,128,325	22,518,885	19,815,067	4,578,517	3,421,182	27,097,402	23,236,249
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	1,930,496	1,711,737	9,637,637	7,668,429	3,574,013	2,624,794	13,211,650	10,293,223
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	5,895,746	10,365,415	1,176,829	1,194,452	686,293	209,186	1,863,122	1,403,638
PUERTO RICO	16,117,170	13,353,894	135,144	54,498	-	-	135,144	54,498
VENEZUELA	4,443	197	22,326	175,525	-	-	22,326	175,525
JAPAN	7,037,909	6,652,771	-	5,020	-	-	-	5,020
GERMANY	2,857,334	2,218,865	128,799	65,251	3,364	28,687	132,163	93,938
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	69,105,746	56,869,462	5,168,675	8,982,293	1,868,405	1,453,130	7,037,080	10,435,423
STORES/BUNKERS *	-	172	-	-	15,768,423	14,865,621	15,768,423	14,865,621
TOTAL *	258,947,559	241,650,728	40,212,644	42,667,889	36,920,430	24,562,245	77,133,074	67,230,134

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MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2018	2017
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	2,050,132	1,728,548
	057	Fruits And Nuts Fresh/Dry	1,687,959	1,414,935
	098	Edible Products	3,506,804	3,422,415
	248	Wood Simply Worked	1,968,029	2,089,433
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	3,120,770	2,000,841
	642	Articles Of Paper	2,827,036	2,055,081
	752	Data Processing Machines	1,622,413	1,415,164
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	2,131,141	2,081,107
	872	Medical Appliances	2,062,468	997,228
	893	Articles Of Plastic	2,424,465	2,328,155
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,419,173	1,342,769
	073	Chocolate And Preparations Of Cocoa	334,292	204,993
	098	Edible Products	763,955	685,170
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1,699,593	1,350,417
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	514,375	-
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	32,102,188	31,359,900
	344	Petrol Gases	436,228	-
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	1,272,117	934,672
	642	Articles Of Paper	1,483,911	679,501
	893	Articles Of Plastic	482,142	345,765
PUERTO RICO	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	37,585	-
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	14,322,582	12,226,281
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	102,635	153,080
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	768,075	57,430
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	35,447	-
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	35,029	-
	778	Electrical Machinery & Apparatus	19,483	22,987
	892	Printed Matter	35,288	24,384
	893	Articles Of Plastic	570,069	511,946
	894	Toys Games, Baby Carriages	26,517	-
UNITED KINGDOM	012	Other Meat Fresh, Chilled	448,003	11,667
	024	Cheese And Curd	821,275	618,556
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	534,911	217,306
	098	Edible Products	488,536	484,074
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,129,464	1,161,562
	661	Lime, Cement	517,128	8,153
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	504,424	7,288
	776	Valves Tubes Diodes	719,664	8,240
	781	Motor Cars	456,452	304,064
	892	Printed Matter	2,542,128	228,214
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres,Cases	553,668	486,988
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	1,167,329	158,596
	752	Data Processing Machines	1,097,469	749,963
	761	Television Receivers	925,990	356,156
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	805,505	1,245,590
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	602,709	111,649
	775	Household Type Equipment	500,374	286,551
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	306,557	324,921
	851	Footwear	327,011	351,947
	893	Articles Of Plastic	522,602	504,745

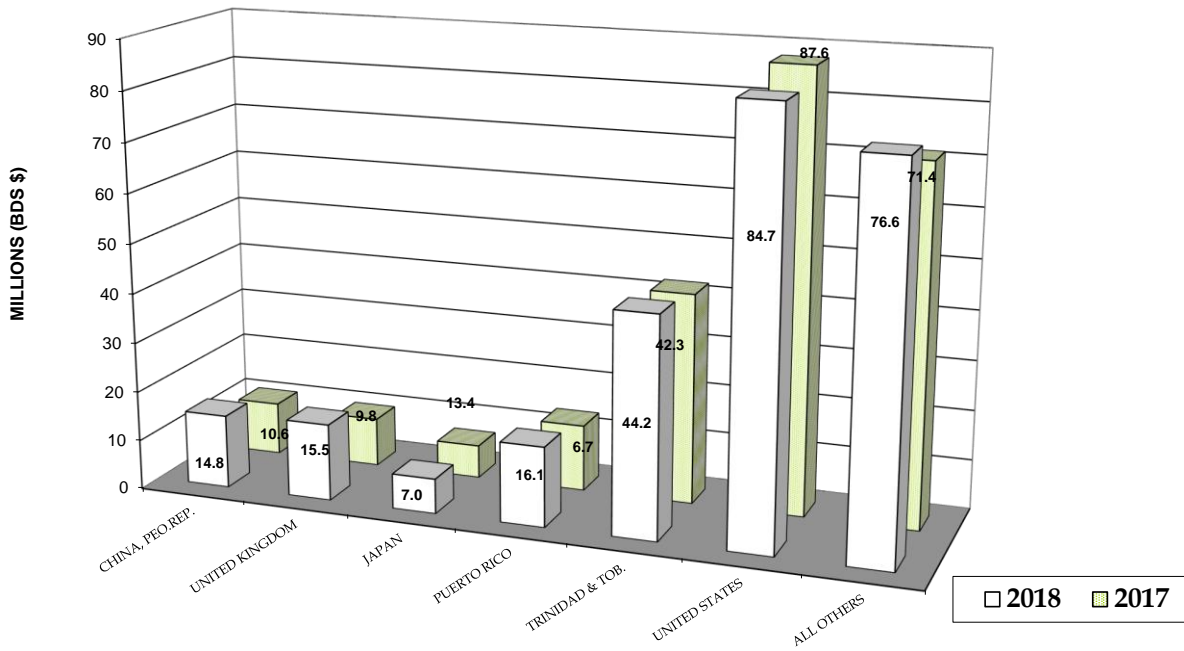
MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2018	2017
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	89,834	193,622
	098	Edible Products	70,271	44,221
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	3,514,279	3,373,442
	635	Wood Manufactures	74,948	75,376
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	199,128	184,758
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	946,645	1,256,829
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	478,285	154,204
	896	Artwork, Collectors Pieces	117,260	1,801
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	942,780	435,716
	971	Non-Monetary Gold	138,650	104,494
GUYANA	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	243,526	195,840
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	97,482	54,093
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	291,007	106,358
	059	Fruit Juices	157,380	47,775
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	309,233	-
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	166,999	76,801
	661	Lime, Cement	3,514,388	2,951,600
	776	Valves Tubes Diodes	62,904	100
	892	Printed Matter	157,270	145,999
	893	Articles Of Plastic	200,128	5,678
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	300,739	289,033
	091	Margarine And Shortening	489,070	405,720
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	517,280	357,376
	421	Fixed Vegetable Oils And Fat, Soft	67,681	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	438,359	76,754
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	753,192	100,500
	692	Metal Containers	381,365	134,157
	773	Electric Dist Equipment	42,278	40
	892	Printed Matter	204,931	111,572
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	66,702	23,874
ST. LUCIA	017	Meat Prepared	198,145	135,398
	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	286,074	183,044
	059	Fruit Juices	180,299	209,500
	091	Margarine And Shortening	182,586	232,540
	421	Fixed Vegetable Oils And Fat, Soft	158,896	99,254
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	225,076	304,623
	642	Articles Of Paper	127,414	124,823
	661	Lime, Cement	185,926	172,951
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	124,789	90,189
	892	Printed Matter	134,355	56,939
CANADA	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	36,680	36,490
	057	Fruits And Nuts Fresh/Dry	20,000	-
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	998,466	1,125,951
	641	Paper And Paper Products	100,000	-
	642	Articles Of Paper	100,100	-
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	684,000	-
	778	Electrical Machinery & Apparatus	108,000	-
	792	Aircraft; Spacecraft	67,829	50,805
	893	Articles Of Plastic	80,000	-
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	300,030	37,200

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2018	2017
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	15,768,423	14,865,621
UNITED STATES	112	Alcoholic Beverages	3,338,344	231,382
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	306,589	225,150
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	3,239,476	40,041
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	147,356	90,871
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	202,434	115,381
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	191,282	202,626
	844	Female Clothing Knitted	81,212	21,452
	845	Articles Of Apparel	285,586	372,337
	885	Watches And Clocks	1,191,927	458,080
	897	Jewellery	4,048,337	1,207,390
ST. LUCIA	112	Alcoholic Beverages	358,537	17,614
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	99,423	12,326
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	282,167	468,853
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	10,981	6,929
	665	Glassware	35,976	53,490
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	78,540	85,352
	872	Medical Appliances	102,344	60,475
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	12,403	2,580
	893	Articles Of Plastic	37,389	17,507
	897	Jewellery	191,480	-
GRENADA	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	74,658	33,672
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	390,135	172,013
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	35,649	83,282
	642	Articles Of Paper	23,527	-
	692	Metal Containers	24,000	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	129,151	-
	872	Medical Appliances	30,985	3,851
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	20,937	2,077
	893	Articles Of Plastic	15,979	2,243
	897	Jewellery	15,721	-
JAMAICA	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	117	-
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	493,975	-
	512	Alcohols, Phenols	3,143	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	152,485	64,441
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	73,589	-

MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017

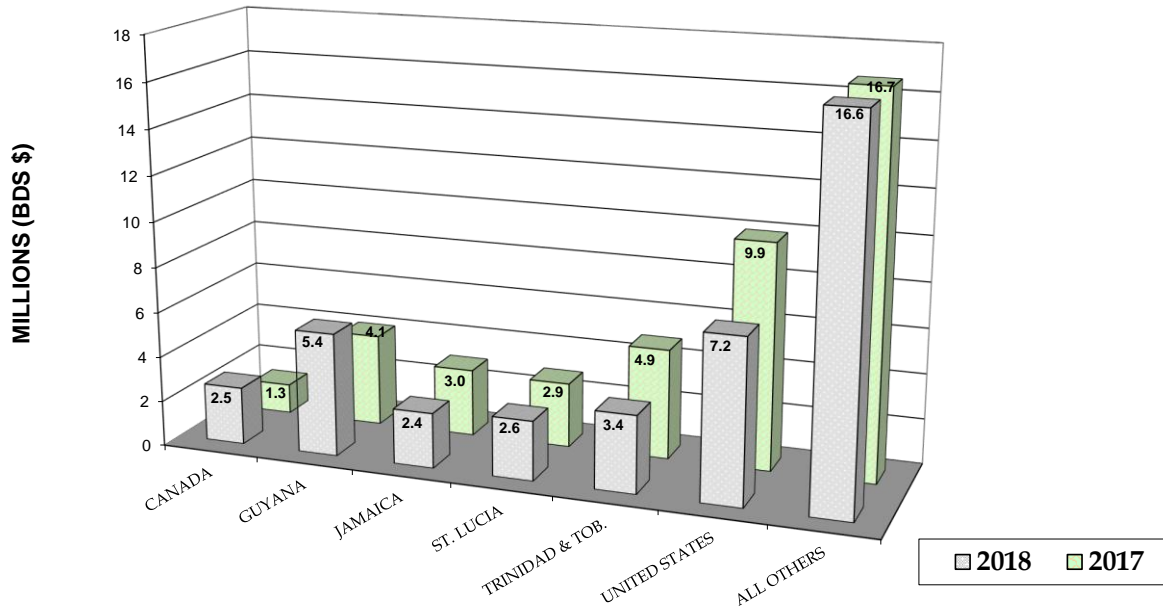


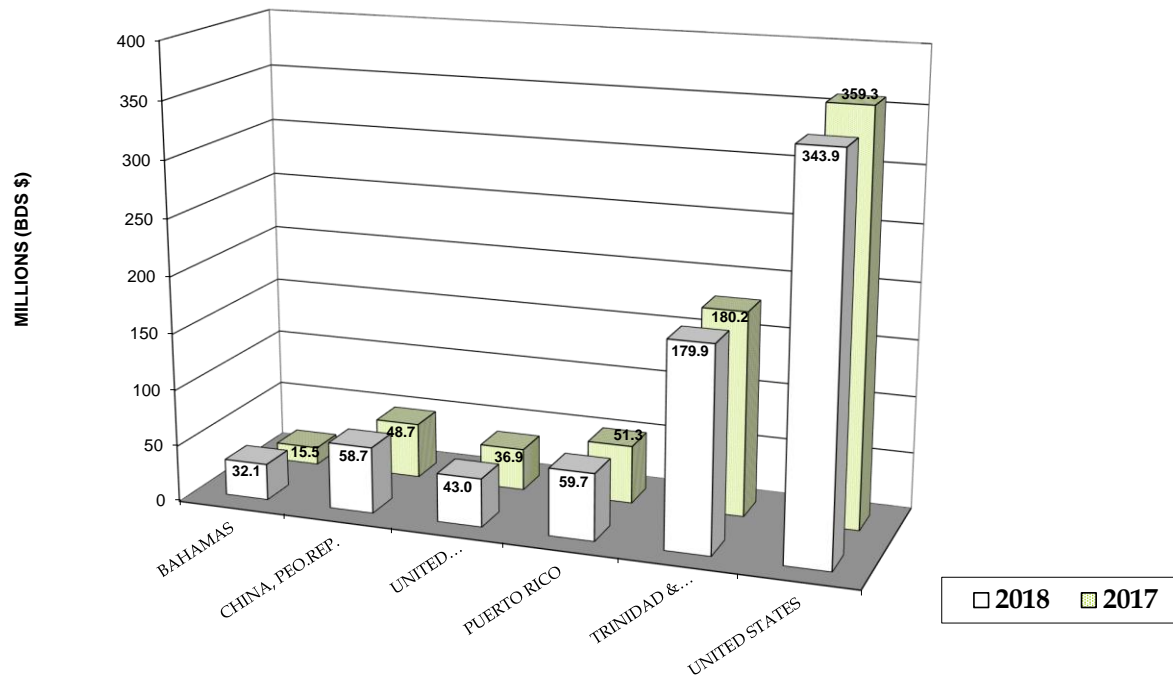
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VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES AND GROUP
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2017

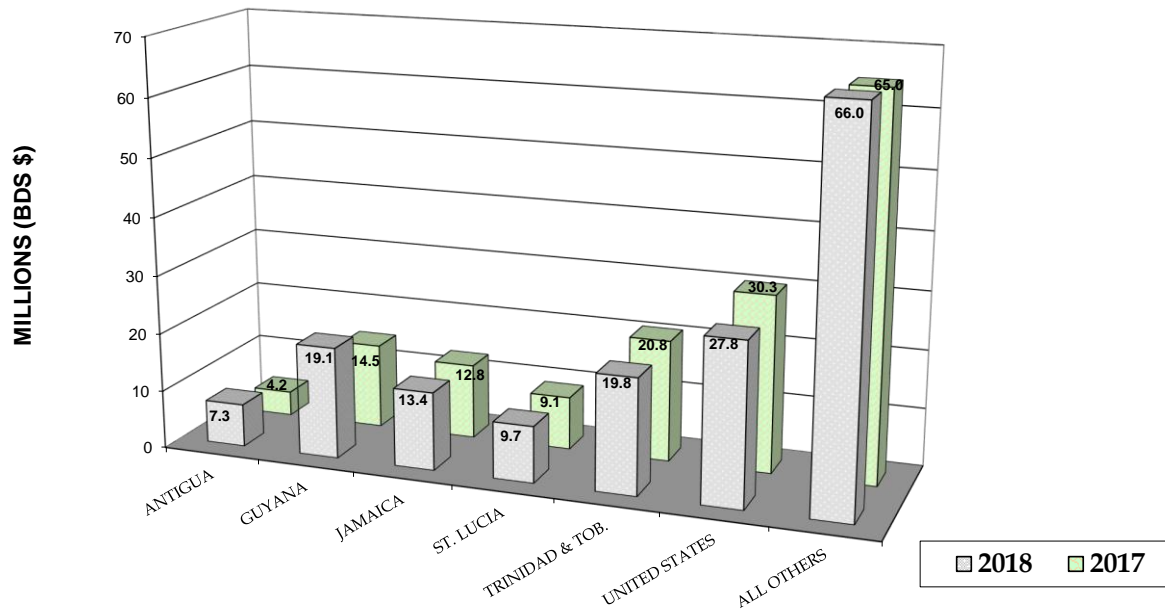
COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017
UNITED KINGDOM	43,025,898	36,680,784	4,550,259	4,967,787	1,360,889	957,878	5,911,148	5,925,665
CANADA	21,012,867	30,079,943	6,554,629	5,138,905	260,497	78,796	6,815,126	5,217,701
UNITED STATES	343,944,214	359,247,671	27,765,233	30,299,825	52,672,989	54,564,452	80,438,222	84,864,277
CARICOM *	210,788,551	216,325,304	95,622,573	82,232,600	14,330,014	21,659,784	109,952,587	103,892,384
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	7,596,589	14,865,330	37,998,210	30,833,320	11,058,117	9,265,224	49,056,327	40,098,544
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	32,118,571	15,572,499	5,829,024	6,428,117	1,923,459	1,945,864	7,752,483	8,373,981
PUERTO RICO	59,745,077	51,306,436	270,672	350,855	27,733	39,739	298,405	390,594
VENEZUELA	9,793	33,957	164,553	184,419	-	673	164,553	185,092
JAPAN	31,303,150	32,273,535	34,623	17,920	-	11,950	34,623	29,870
GERMANY	11,354,807	13,618,290	534,896	644,489	3,673	64,863	538,569	709,352
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	272,216,619	277,986,714	21,732,921	26,420,927	5,470,348	14,986,731	27,203,269	41,407,658
STORES/BUNKERS *	39,598	2,318	-	-	88,834,165	76,334,407	88,834,165	76,334,407
TOTAL *	1,025,559,145	1,033,127,451	163,059,383	156,685,844	164,883,767	170,645,137	327,943,150	327,330,981

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MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2017



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2017



**VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017**

TABLE 5

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S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018*</u>	<u>2017</u>
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	9,054,972	9,145,710	4,447,138	4,529,795	21,400	68,903	4,468,538	4,598,698
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	4,256,473	2,725,556	1,339,242	1,137,818	983,828	468,882	2,323,070	1,606,700
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	231,220	465,399	24,785	26,983	3,923	827	28,708	27,810
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	32,538,591	31,888,687	79,238	3,168,037	8,637	40	87,875	3,168,077
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	47,429	7,146	226,577	215,189	-	-	226,577	215,189
5 CHEMICALS	2,477,920	1,934,303	4,602,421	2,881,056	2,278,671	2,064,372	6,881,092	4,945,428
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	2,145,223	2,272,806	7,404,208	5,467,860	300,958	436,463	7,705,166	5,904,323
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	159,323	201,859	354,847	317,768	158,381	126,731	513,228	444,499
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	1,437,924	1,406,508	3,954,697	1,981,506	822,319	254,864	4,777,016	2,236,370
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	10,115	80,351	85,732	89,055	400	100	86,132	89,155
TOTAL *	52,359,190	50,128,325	22,518,885	19,815,067	4,578,517	3,421,182	27,097,402	23,236,249

**VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2017**

TABLE 6

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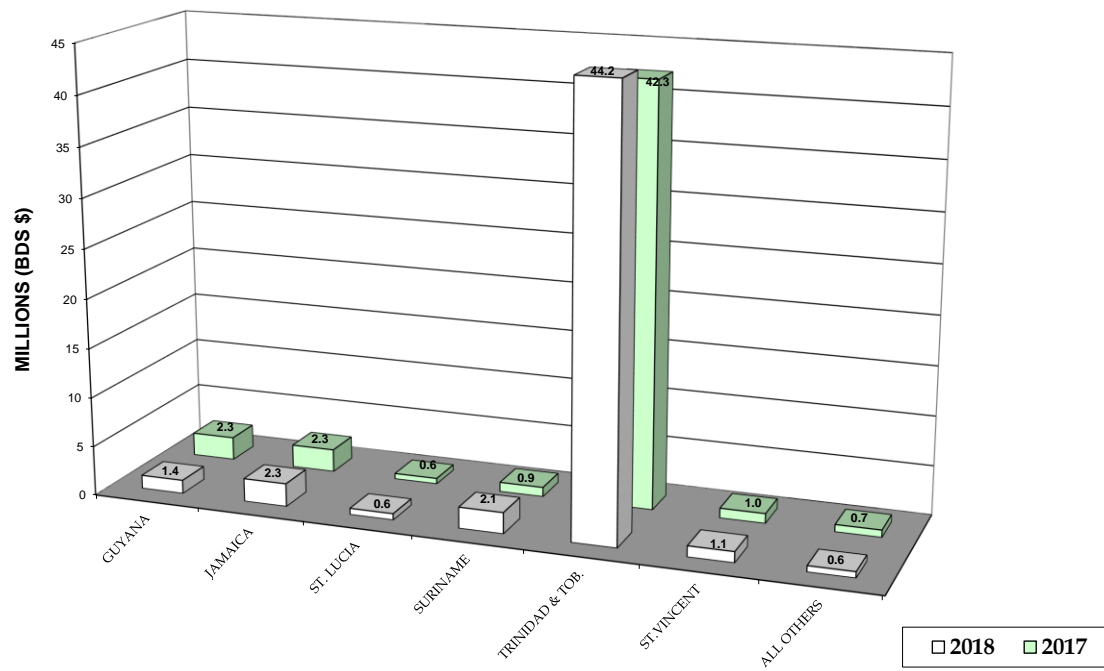
S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	36,318,673	33,326,189	19,013,929	18,851,192	183,883	201,748	19,197,812	19,052,940
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	13,532,889	12,472,320	4,692,789	3,893,473	2,416,790	8,157,655	7,109,579	12,051,128
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	1,106,388	1,570,046	186,188	272,676	8,796	2,340	194,984	275,016
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	138,184,754	145,588,965	7,916,494	9,575,807	8,996	6,687	7,925,490	9,582,494
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	73,906	65,228	1,215,049	995,431	157	2,239	1,215,206	997,670
5 CHEMICALS	7,991,303	8,568,159	21,714,699	15,666,862	7,992,062	9,673,777	29,706,761	25,340,639
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	7,295,842	8,731,647	25,514,864	20,414,693	848,169	1,030,744	26,363,033	21,445,437
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	954,257	607,936	1,708,992	2,036,070	723,519	1,344,719	2,432,511	3,380,789
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	5,299,953	5,161,479	13,243,943	10,029,829	2,133,742	1,239,775	15,377,685	11,269,604
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	30,586	233,335	415,626	496,567	13,900	100	429,526	496,667
TOTAL *	210,788,551	216,325,304	95,622,573	82,232,600	14,330,014	21,659,784	109,952,587	103,892,384

TABLE 7

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017

COUNTRY	(BDS \$)							
	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017
ANTIGUA	39,839	25,227	1,351,021	1,003,352	527,022	449,099	1,878,043	1,452,451
BELIZE	345,708	570,606	171,375	66,394	1,535	-	172,910	66,394
DOMINICA	-	9,144	1,506,816	563,900	41,200	200,915	1,548,016	764,815
GRENADA	141,154	129,200	1,572,355	1,677,364	810,232	395,660	2,382,587	2,073,024
GUYANA	1,351,754	2,330,827	5,441,810	4,068,099	61,978	297,830	5,503,788	4,365,929
HAITI	75,652	528	59,387	41	-	-	59,387	41
JAMAICA	2,321,134	2,294,051	2,427,035	2,971,346	723,309	279,584	3,150,344	3,250,930
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	13,929	-	1,628,479	551,780	315,441	453,712	1,943,920	1,005,492
ST. LUCIA	627,986	559,824	2,619,534	2,855,547	1,302,561	921,341	3,922,095	3,776,888
MONSTERRAT	2,025	67	35,868	44,384	890	1,113	36,758	45,497
SURINAME	2,124,698	947,910	1,382,082	187,577	-	-	1,382,082	187,577
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	44,209,748	42,272,666	3,399,559	4,853,181	217,682	218,974	3,617,241	5,072,155
ST. VINCENT	1,105,563	988,275	923,564	972,102	576,667	202,954	1,500,231	1,175,056
CARICOM TOTAL *	52,359,190	50,128,325	22,518,885	19,815,067	4,578,517	3,421,182	27,097,402	23,236,249
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	1,930,496	1,711,737	9,637,637	7,668,429	3,574,013	2,624,794	13,211,650	10,293,223

CARICOM IMPORTS
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017

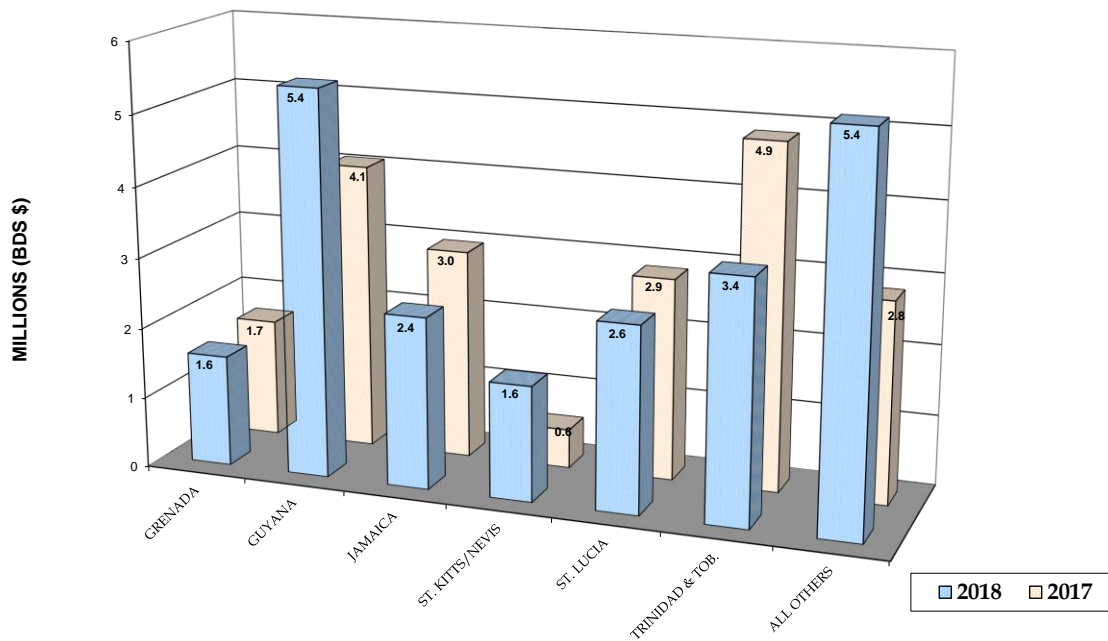


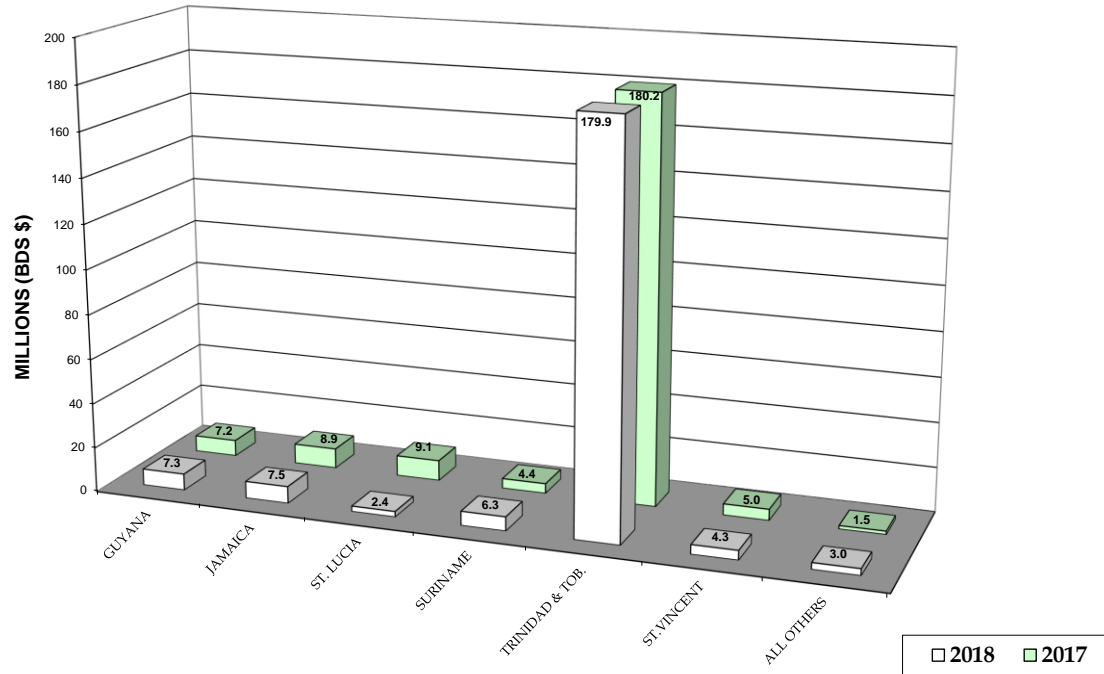
TABLE 8

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2017

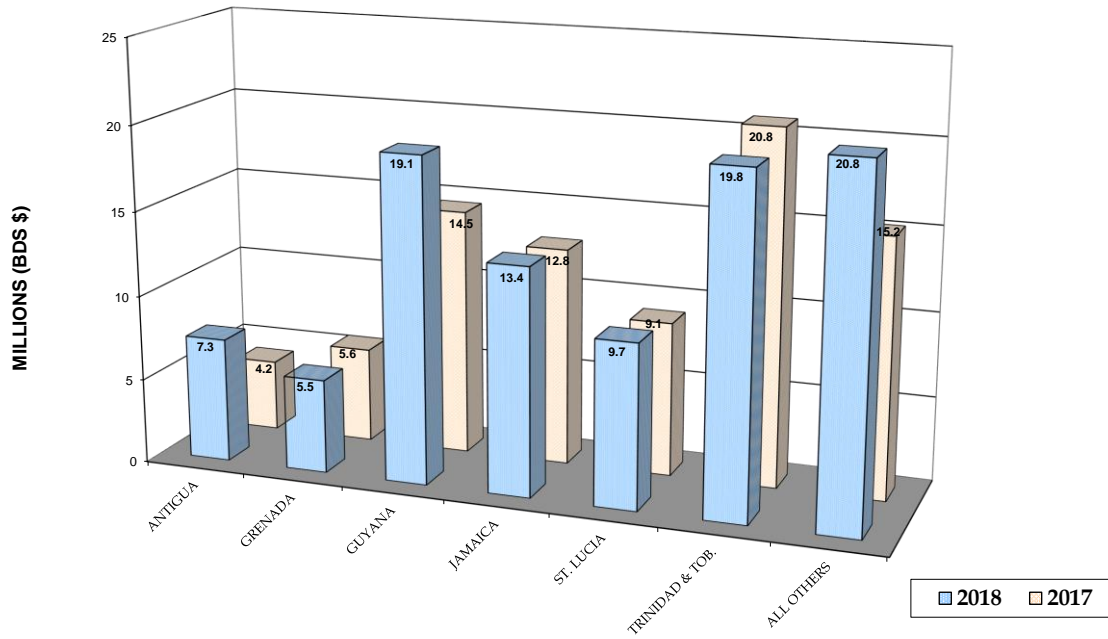
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COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017	2018*	2017
ANTIGUA	256,578	145,181	7,323,997	4,194,817	2,347,422	1,927,228	9,671,419	6,122,045
BELIZE	2,001,325	744,693	537,944	806,267	41,531	15,756	579,475	822,023
DOMINICA	105,904	92,582	5,036,611	1,797,514	460,914	778,756	5,497,525	2,576,270
GRENADA	511,556	479,012	5,536,895	5,597,207	1,850,321	1,055,470	7,387,216	6,652,677
GUYANA	7,324,142	7,212,605	19,128,077	14,521,949	749,560	1,685,914	19,877,637	16,207,863
HAITI	93,889	40,592	510,691	258,355	50,459	73,692	561,150	332,047
JAMAICA	7,543,224	8,885,273	13,382,113	12,824,972	1,398,942	9,260,489	14,781,055	22,085,461
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	14,059	21,427	5,244,670	3,762,120	1,028,962	1,135,653	6,273,632	4,897,773
ST. LUCIA	2,416,491	9,133,421	9,684,312	9,084,333	3,597,130	2,196,146	13,281,442	11,280,479
MONSTERRAT	4,051	2,840	177,768	246,552	32,631	38,208	210,399	284,760
SURINAME	6,311,655	4,383,488	4,253,076	2,194,638	-	36,575	4,253,076	2,231,213
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	179,917,727	180,193,323	19,812,462	20,793,099	1,031,405	1,322,134	20,843,867	22,115,233
ST. VINCENT	4,287,950	4,990,867	4,993,957	6,150,777	1,740,737	2,133,763	6,734,694	8,284,540
CARICOM TOTAL *	210,788,551	216,325,304	95,622,573	82,232,600	14,330,014	21,659,784	109,952,587	103,892,384
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	7,596,589	14,865,330	37,998,210	30,833,320	11,058,117	9,265,224	49,056,327	40,098,544

CARICOM IMPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017



**PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017**

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2018	2017
IMPORTS	012 Other Meat Fresh, Chilled	3,856,659	2,629,813
	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	4,629,552	3,892,937
	098 Edible Products	8,188,581	6,292,392
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	5,658,042	5,425,343
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	53,743,171	54,865,357
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	6,844,038	8,696,787
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	4,367,993	2,667,426
	642 Articles Of Paper	5,438,190	3,390,712
	781 Motor Cars	6,309,244	5,032,578
	893 Articles Of Plastic	5,699,807	4,936,216
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,363,540	1,303,506
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	8,232,676	7,889,771
	533 Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	1,195,318	704,011
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,693,094	2,402,021
	591 Disinfectants, Insecticides	1,368,889	319,825
	661 Lime, Cement	4,888,392	3,674,626
	772 Electric Switches Fuses	1,327,198	1,601,745
	813 Light Fixtures, Fittings	1,412,225	470,958
	892 Printed Matter	2,211,469	2,347,242
	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	2,871,366	4,379,308
RE-EXPORTS	112 Alcoholic Beverages	4,567,557	767,545
	122 Tobacco Manufactured	1,120,577	533,735
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	15,768,423	14,865,661
	541 Medicinal Pharmacy Products	388,823	299,709
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,958,411	1,819,515
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	3,761,437	96,999
	845 Articles Of Apparel	310,364	417,933
	848 Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	269,598	135,040
	885 Watches And Clocks	1,353,642	620,783
	897 Jewellery	4,354,756	1,330,166

**SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017**

TABLE 9

(BDS \$)					
COMMODITY	SITC CODE	<u>2018</u>	%	<u>2017</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	199,680	0.5	-	0.0
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	697,905	1.7	1,278,156	3.0
RUM	112.441/449	7,273,477	18.1	7,165,682	16.8
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	1,195,318	3.0	704,011	1.6
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	2,703,807	6.7	2,402,485	5.6
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	104,771	0.3	-	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	1,368,889	3.4	319,825	0.7
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	657,573	1.6	278,369	0.7
CEMENT	661.222	4,863,112	12.1	3,674,626	8.6
METAL CONTAINERS	692	794,145	2.0	1,008,417	2.4
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	72,416	0.2	27,730	0.1
CLOTHING	841-848	10,022	0.0	23,729	0.1
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		19,941,115	49.6	16,883,030	39.6
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	1,386,296	3.4	1,602,701	3.8
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		18,885,233	47.0	24,182,158	56.7
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		40,212,644	100.0	42,667,889	100.0

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

**SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2017**

TABLE 10

(BDS \$)					
COMMODITY	SITC CODE	JANUARY - APRIL			
		<u>2018</u>	%	<u>2017</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	199,680	0.1	92,510	0.1
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	5,478,133	3.4	5,973,020	3.8
RUM	112.441/449	27,449,042	16.8	27,359,725	17.5
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	6,176,494	3.8	3,772,882	2.4
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	12,232,415	7.5	11,726,400	7.5
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	131,189	0.1	44,939	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	5,556,309	3.4	3,922,423	2.5
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	1,641,028	1.0	1,296,964	0.8
CEMENT	661.222	15,539,411	9.5	10,443,665	6.7
METAL CONTAINERS	692	4,292,063	2.6	5,947,503	3.8
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	229,983	0.1	67,709	0.0
CLOTHING	841-848	74,905	0.0	72,354	0.0
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		79,000,652	48.4	70,720,094	45.1
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	4,799,604	2.9	6,348,689	4.1
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		79,260,327	48.6	79,617,061	50.8
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		163,060,583	100.0	156,685,844	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles

MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2017

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2018	2017
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	6,711,950	6,382,789
	054	Vegetables Fresh/ Chilled,Frozen,Dry	7,002,516	6,423,993
	057	Fruits And Nuts Fresh/Dry	7,313,788	7,150,827
	098	Edible Products	14,944,415	14,678,163
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	7,382,453	7,580,330
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	10,616,503	9,052,014
	642	Articles Of Paper	8,788,032	9,436,148
	821	Furniture And Parts	6,363,479	7,592,900
	873	Meters And Counters	6,459,650	4,863,445
	893	Articles Of Plastic	10,088,536	9,217,363
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	5,125,653	4,676,520
	098	Edible Products	3,760,310	3,370,064
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	5,687,504	5,236,632
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,324,174	734,740
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	1,996,120	1,708,398
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	132,391,636	136,524,308
	344	Petrol Gases	5,792,595	-
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	3,629,390	4,112,317
	642	Articles Of Paper	4,534,056	3,291,487
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,575,359	1,575,693
PUERTO RICO	334	Petroleum Products Refined	53,744,176	46,899,420
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	273,751	532,906
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,624,834	758,099
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	211,703	114,665
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	155,437	138,095
	642	Articles Of Paper	160,266	117,164
	752	Data Processing Machines	168,544	2,634
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	120,482	557
	884	Optical Cord	172,732	-
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,637,166	1,511,166
UNITED KINGDOM	024	Cheese And Curd	2,414,232	2,210,825
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,217,216	1,016,991
	061	Sugar, Molasses, Honey	1,853,669	783,626
	073	Chocolate And Preparations Of Cocoa	1,259,668	974,094
	098	Edible Products	1,566,235	1,784,181
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	2,775,704	2,436,038
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	3,071,090	2,307,956
	781	Motor Cars	1,525,837	1,008,430
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	961,267	517,458
	892	Printed Matter	2,989,422	1,541,978
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres,Cases	1,999,151	1,692,285
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	2,348,533	1,540,956
	752	Data Processing Machines	4,005,018	2,609,208
	761	Television Receivers	1,948,925	1,207,891
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	3,468,357	3,386,099
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	1,970,140	748,015
	775	Household Type Equipment	1,742,199	1,309,209
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	2,814,586	-
	793	Ships And Boats	2,000,591	9,845
	893	Articles Of Plastic	2,084,251	1,801,592

MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2017

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2018	2017
CANADA	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	356,504	100,568
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	937,883	951,045
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	13,385,258	13,729,625
UNITED STATES	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	670,789	618,042
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	301,168	244,967
	728	Other Machinery	582,700	120,010
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	3,254,194	4,958,900
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	1,712,389	203,893
	897	Jewellery	793,350	1,353,898
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	2,393,682	1,763,866
	971	Non-Monetary Gold	599,436	596,779
	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	882,215	750,910
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	783,790	691,818
GUYANA	059	Fruit Juices	404,151	257,462
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	631,532	188,380
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	979,122	873,397
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	348,817	302,153
	642	Articles Of Paper	222,890	283,098
	661	Lime, Cement	12,006,886	8,214,795
	892	Printed Matter	730,693	981,441
	893	Articles Of Plastic	742,666	460,823
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	929,960	990,470
	091	Margarine And Shortening	2,952,231	2,688,017
TRINIDAD & TOB.	098	Edible Products	239,142	218,673
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	621,192	733,724
	333	Petroleum Crude	7,558,591	9,403,489
	421	Fixed Vegetable Oils And Fat, Soft	441,559	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,948,477	2,227,957
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	1,781,174	1,165,285
	692	Metal Containers	1,258,233	1,480,753
	892	Printed Matter	587,715	344,136
	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	818,222	887,631
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	428,520	311,051
ST. LUCIA	059	Fruit Juices	746,749	679,059
	091	Margarine And Shortening	818,717	873,169
	335	Residual Petroleum Products	351,000	157,560
	421	Fixed Vegetable Oils And Fat, Soft	403,384	428,046
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	1,151,798	787,789
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	708,509	540,011
	661	Lime, Cement	460,111	633,175
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	384,951	212,942
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	181,505	113,510
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	3,602,005	4,389,347
CANADA	291	Crude Animal Materials	75,204	75,204
	641	Paper And Paper Products	200,000	-
	642	Articles Of Paper	100,585	323
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	1,440,000	158
	778	Electrical Machinery & Apparatus	144,000	210
	792	Aircraft; Spacecraft	87,829	70,630
	893	Articles Of Plastic	90,098	27,174

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2017

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2018	2017
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	88,834,165	76,334,407
	073	Chocolate And Preparations Of Cocoa	2,183,168	1,525,877
UNITED STATES	112	Alcoholic Beverages	4,156,058	837,982
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	10,155,516	12,223,341
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	1,254,651	4,547,715
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	903,868	4,562,614
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	960,283	2,509,492
	845	Articles Of Apparel	774,671	3,260,899
	851	Footwear	1,370,604	4,202,413
	885	Watches And Clocks	6,052,402	3,348,248
	897	Jewellery	20,558,520	6,932,573
ST. LUCIA	112	Alcoholic Beverages	635,553	175,791
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	69,232	44,189
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	183,483	45,981
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,213,021	964,683
	665	Glassware	144,506	162,084
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	119,055	116,466
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	91,097	124,027
	872	Medical Appliances	152,650	106,546
	885	Watches And Clocks	111,505	-
	897	Jewellery	304,960	-
GRENADA	098	Edible Products	59,827	46,348
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	130,209	62,536
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	912,896	459,526
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	74,858	122,011
	642	Articles Of Paper	35,605	13,800
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	158,727	21,410
	872	Medical Appliances	56,575	7,609
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	34,349	3,440
	885	Watches And Clocks	48,371	-
	897	Jewellery	45,270	-
JAMAICA	112	Alcoholic Beverages	544,925	6,547,170
	512	Alcohols, Phenols	3,143	117,132
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	732,220	2,276,149
	641	Paper And Paper Products	1,622	-
	697	Household Equipment Base Metals	18,650	-
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	73,589	-
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	3,282	-
	846	Clothing Accessories	3,401	-
	872	Medical Appliances	15,200	25,266
	898	Musical Instruments	1,082	68

PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
JANUARY - APRIL 2018 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2017

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2018	2017
IMPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	15,411,196	14,369,305
	098 Edible Products	30,328,471	27,363,005
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	18,990,003	18,584,474
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	229,049,638	218,375,342
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	30,286,523	30,875,510
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	16,471,905	14,468,899
	642 Articles Of Paper	16,919,415	16,331,891
	781 Motor Cars	27,826,297	35,345,521
	782 Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	16,932,938	15,958,302
	893 Articles Of Plastic	21,772,577	19,525,013
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	5,740,923	5,605,368
	091 Margarine And Shortening	5,478,133	5,973,020
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	30,363,594	30,463,383
	333 Petroleum Crude	7,558,591	9,403,489
	533 Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	6,176,494	3,772,882
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	12,194,004	11,715,061
	591 Disinfectants,Insecticides	5,556,309	3,922,423
	661 Lime, Cement	15,593,264	10,479,498
	892 Printed Matter	9,465,685	8,128,046
	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	9,849,310	13,482,237
RE-EXPORTS	073 Chocolate And Preparations Of Cocoa	2,183,168	1,529,377
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	7,408,605	9,320,019
	122 Tobacco Manufactured	2,831,458	1,636,705
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	88,834,445	76,334,553
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	7,648,469	10,272,720
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	10,795,279	12,501,242
	841 Male Clothing-Non Knitted	1,743,973	5,489,639
	851 Footwear	1,592,876	6,587,102
	885 Watches And Clocks	6,774,042	4,090,782
	897 Jewellery	21,816,790	7,487,855