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REVIEW OF OVERSEAS TRADE

During the month of December 2016, total imports to Barbados were valued at \$310 million, whilst total exports from Barbados were valued at \$103 million. This resulted in a visible trade deficit of \$206.9 million, as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$254.8 for December 2015.

Imports for December 2016 were \$46.5 million less than imports for December 2015, a decrease of 13.0%. Total exports increased by \$1.4 million or 1.4% of the December 2015 figure. Domestic exports decreased by \$2.6 million or 6.7% over December 2015, while the value of re-exports increased by \$4.1 million or 6.5% over the corresponding period 2015.

For the period January – December 2016, the value of imports to Barbados was \$3 billion, whilst the value of total exports was \$1 billion representing an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$2209.4 million as compared to a similar deficit of \$2270.3 million for January – December 2015.

Imports for January – December 2016 were \$6.9 million more than imports for the same period 2015, an increase of 0.2%. Total exports showed an increase of some \$67.8 million or 7.0% over the January - December 2015 figure. Domestic exports increased by \$18.1 million or 3.6% over January – December 2015. The value of re-exports increased by \$49.8 million or 10.8% over the corresponding period 2015.

CARICOM TRADE

During the month of December 2016, total imports from CARICOM countries were valued at \$55 million, whilst total exports to CARICOM were valued at \$23 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$31.6 million as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$33.1 million for December 2015.

Total CARICOM imports for December 2016 were \$6.1 million less than CARICOM imports for December 2015, a decrease of 10.0%. Total exports to CARICOM for December 2016 were \$4.6 million less than total exports for December 2016, a decrease of 16.2%. Domestic exports decreased by \$6.5 million or 28.4% over December 2015. The value of re-exports decreased by some \$1.9 million, or 33.8%, over the December 2015 figure.

For the period January – December 2016, total imports from CARICOM were valued at \$585.2 million, whilst total exports were \$319.8 million resulting in an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$265.5 million as compared with a deficit of \$371.1 million for the same period of 2015.

During this period, CARICOM imports were approximately \$96.9 million less than those over the same period in 2015, a decrease of 14.2%. Total exports to CARICOM for January – December 2016 were \$8.7 million less than total exports for the corresponding period 2015, a decrease of 2.8%. Domestic exports decreased by approximately \$3.0 million or 1.1% over the same period 2015. The value of re-exports increased by \$11.7million or 23.0% over the January – December 2015 figure.

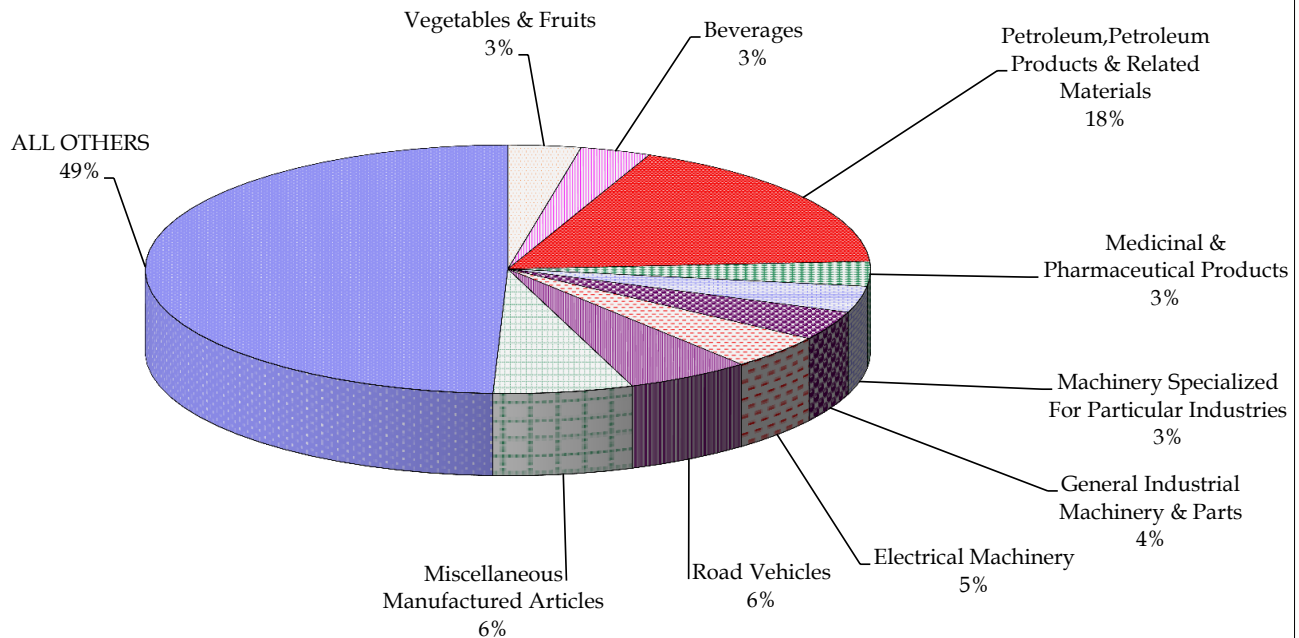
VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015

TABLE 1

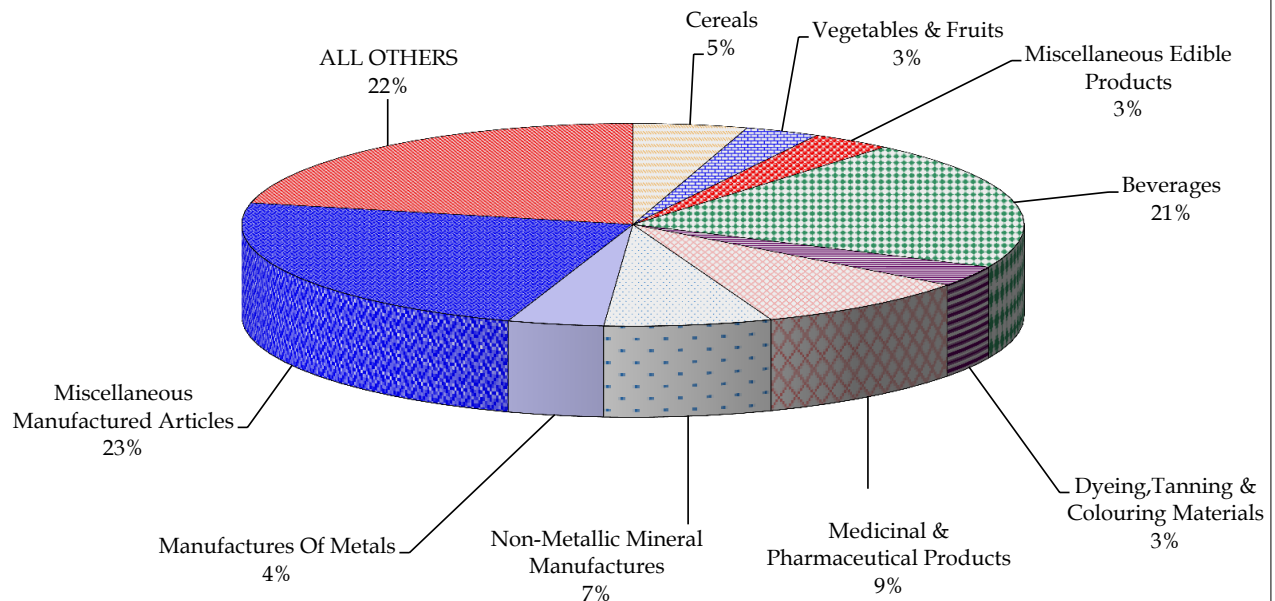
S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2016*	2015	2016*	2015	2016*	2015
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	50,687,690	51,397,714	5,095,284	5,853,914	341,669	175,742	5,436,953	6,029,656
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	10,924,388	10,652,913	7,559,789	5,862,450	2,841,435	1,818,886	10,401,224	7,681,336
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	8,390,880	8,861,359	268,410	2,042,578	243,703	167	512,113	2,042,745
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	56,077,384	51,270,646	234,000	2,105,839	20,668,716	16,764,594	20,902,716	18,870,433
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	1,280,071	1,609,250	170,894	280,723	527	478	171,421	281,201
5 CHEMICALS	29,410,605	34,840,006	5,912,320	8,100,295	8,975,476	9,475,957	14,887,796	17,576,252
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	33,957,925	32,745,744	4,616,152	7,738,486	3,889,179	2,539,681	8,505,331	10,278,167
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	75,305,423	101,533,937	1,889,216	1,893,826	589,084	363,568	2,478,300	2,257,394
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	43,272,820	62,250,185	9,952,895	4,347,253	29,303,022	31,645,219	39,255,917	35,992,472
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	904,897	1,519,844	732,772	832,588	10,700	17,610	743,472	850,198
TOTAL*	310,212,083	356,681,598	36,431,732	39,057,952	66,863,511	62,801,902	103,295,243	101,859,854

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Principal Imports - December 2016



Principal Domestic Exports - December 2016



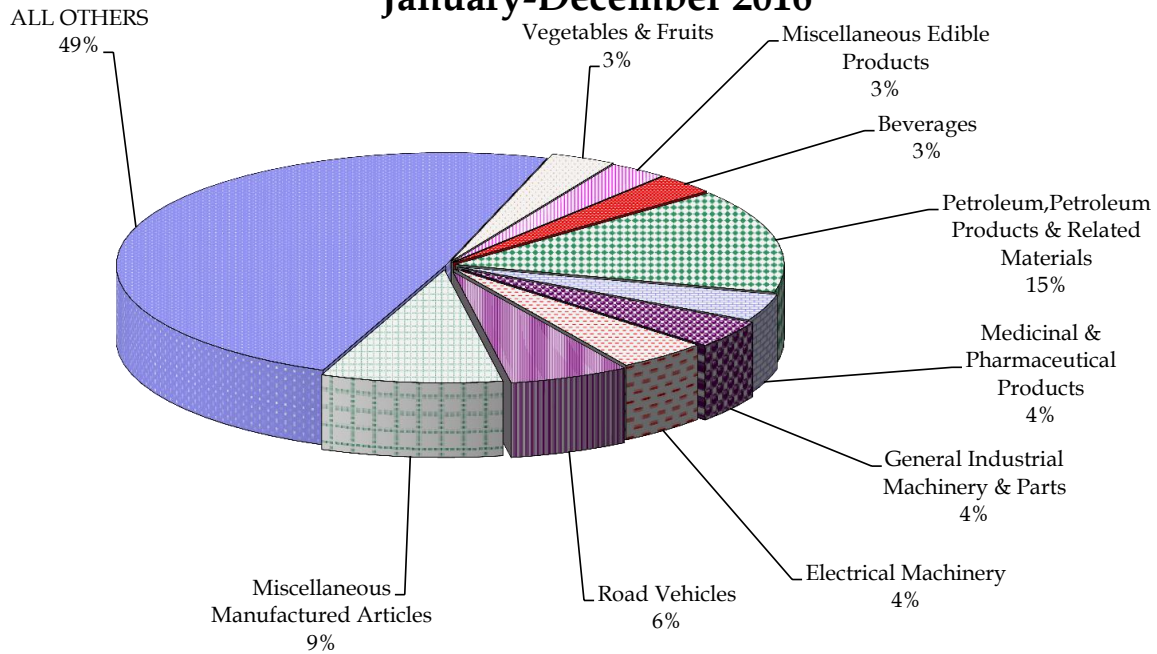
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2015**

TABLE 2

S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2016*	2015	2016*	2015	2016*	2015
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	536,418,441	545,356,011	74,029,090	77,188,290	1,861,782	1,852,489	75,890,872	79,040,779
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	105,878,602	106,248,708	98,495,394	88,453,251	11,164,284	11,808,001	109,659,678	100,261,252
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	68,569,264	68,544,629	6,264,173	11,187,037	480,309	161,236	6,744,482	11,348,273
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS*	502,933,340	603,590,854	18,498,293	27,949,326	135,839,078	151,171,221	154,337,371	179,120,547
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	17,477,870	18,742,478	3,710,194	4,311,852	95,346	9,860	3,805,540	4,321,712
5 CHEMICALS	346,155,400	351,514,589	91,734,097	93,628,393	51,791,955	57,961,769	143,526,052	151,590,162
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	383,976,140	381,914,883	72,033,572	72,773,815	19,024,673	12,153,055	91,058,245	84,926,870
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	722,142,164	709,590,192	40,362,604	28,105,993	19,747,183	38,777,382	60,109,787	66,883,375
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	546,928,697	436,529,150	110,310,366	94,246,620	269,490,736	185,747,842	379,801,102	279,994,462
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	12,596,419	14,152,652	8,647,440	8,185,445	85,334	164,850	8,732,774	8,350,295
TOTAL*	3,243,076,337	3,236,184,146	524,085,223	506,030,022	509,580,680	459,807,705	1,033,665,903	965,837,727

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Principal Imports January-December 2016



Principal Domestic Exports January- December 2016

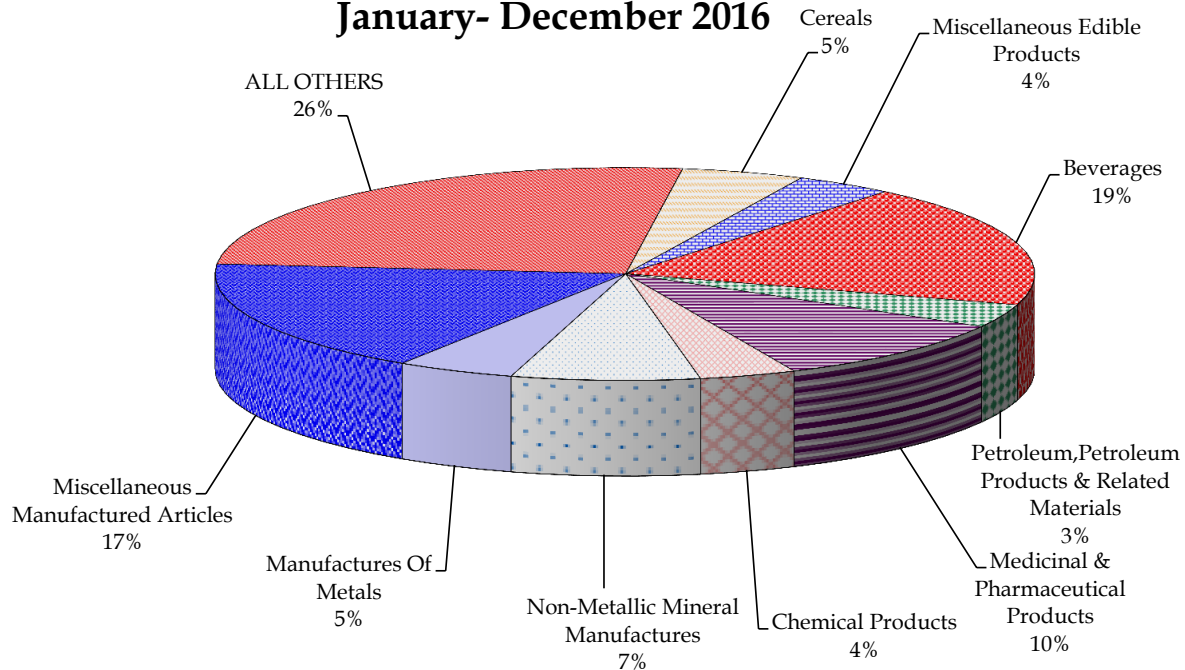


TABLE 3

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES AND GROUP
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015

COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2016*	2015	2016*	2015	2016*	2015	2016*	2015
UNITED KINGDOM	11,616,556	13,966,293	1,605,029	784,296	215,930	244,963	1,820,959	1,029,259
CANADA	5,130,609	6,386,941	883,792	2,568,757	5,626	38,042	889,418	2,606,799
UNITED STATES	116,906,057	135,435,920	6,238,704	4,279,965	34,224,318	36,053,466	40,463,022	40,333,431
CARICOM *	55,523,684	61,667,281	16,452,991	22,988,800	7,511,810	5,613,604	23,964,801	28,602,404
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	2,959,003	10,644,736	7,546,245	8,495,115	3,358,231	2,104,382	10,904,476	10,599,497
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	8,651	8,131	533,458	1,499,170	374,605	549,816	908,063	2,048,986
PUERTO RICO	13,425,223	11,549,365	21,784	55,312	-	-	21,784	55,312
VENEZUELA	518	20,401	47	93,111	51	-	98	93,111
JAPAN	6,958,783	8,941,221	20	1,100	-	-	20	1,100
GERMANY	8,328,715	7,110,795	527,971	240,576	-	2,363	527,971	242,939
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	92,301,319	111,590,468	10,167,936	6,546,865	3,862,551	3,548,352	14,030,487	10,095,217
STORES/BUNKERS *	11,968	4,782	-	-	20,668,620	16,751,296	20,668,620	16,751,296
TOTAL *	310,212,083	356,681,598	36,431,732	39,057,952	66,863,511	62,801,902	103,295,243	101,859,854

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**MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015**

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2016	2015
UNITED STATES	098	Edible Products	4,132,872	4,180,731
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	4,234,355	4,944,138
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	2,926,558	2,947,159
	642	Articles Of Paper	2,554,745	2,487,044
	728	Other Machinery	3,740,641	999,301
	737	Metalworking Machinery	5,555,278	26,693
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	3,024,792	2,777,429
	752	Data Processing Machines	2,912,489	2,778,900
	776	Valves Tubes Diodes	4,430,390	607,668
	897	Jewellery	2,870,323	5,773,274
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,533,823	1,504,126
	098	Edible Products	1,343,342	1,261,025
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	2,765,442	2,491,863
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	510,983	532,882
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	30,096,498	30,289,042
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	400,818	643,363
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	758,073	1,402,697
	642	Articles Of Paper	1,023,871	1,018,026
	821	Furniture And Parts	543,433	396,790
	893	Articles Of Plastic	537,478	576,706
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres,Cases	628,862	548,453
	752	Data Processing Machines	787,714	886,823
	761	Television Receivers	453,049	2,007,755
	762	Radio Broadcast Receivers	386,789	43,431
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	2,605,773	1,573,291
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	443,322	328,356
	851	Footwear	1,157,105	946,390
	893	Articles Of Plastic	526,143	453,596
	894	Toys Games, Baby Carriages	465,272	477,417
	897	Jewellery	1,295,786	5,296,640
NETHERLANDS	022	Milk And Cream	284,288	301,977
	054	Vegetables Fresh/ Chilled,Frozen,Dry	677,386	387,042
	056	Vegetables/Roots Prep., Preserved	128,000	468,805
	073	Chocolate And Preparations Of Cocoa	127,886	4,305
	098	Edible Products	86,850	1,741
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	11,278,587	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	123,392	50,856
	687	Tin	366,627	260,483
	745	Other Non-Electric Machinery	1,997,256	3,120
	893	Articles Of Plastic	91,998	158,698
PUERTO RICO	334	Petroleum Products Refined	12,550,463	10,124,448
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	151,458	114,402
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	99,630	282,311
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	47,291	620
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	34,233	5,129
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	61,492	24,053
	775	Household Type Equipment	14,953	-
	778	Electrical Machinery & Apparatus	16,243	-
	872	Medical Appliances	11,984	9,527
	893	Articles Of Plastic	393,958	567,450

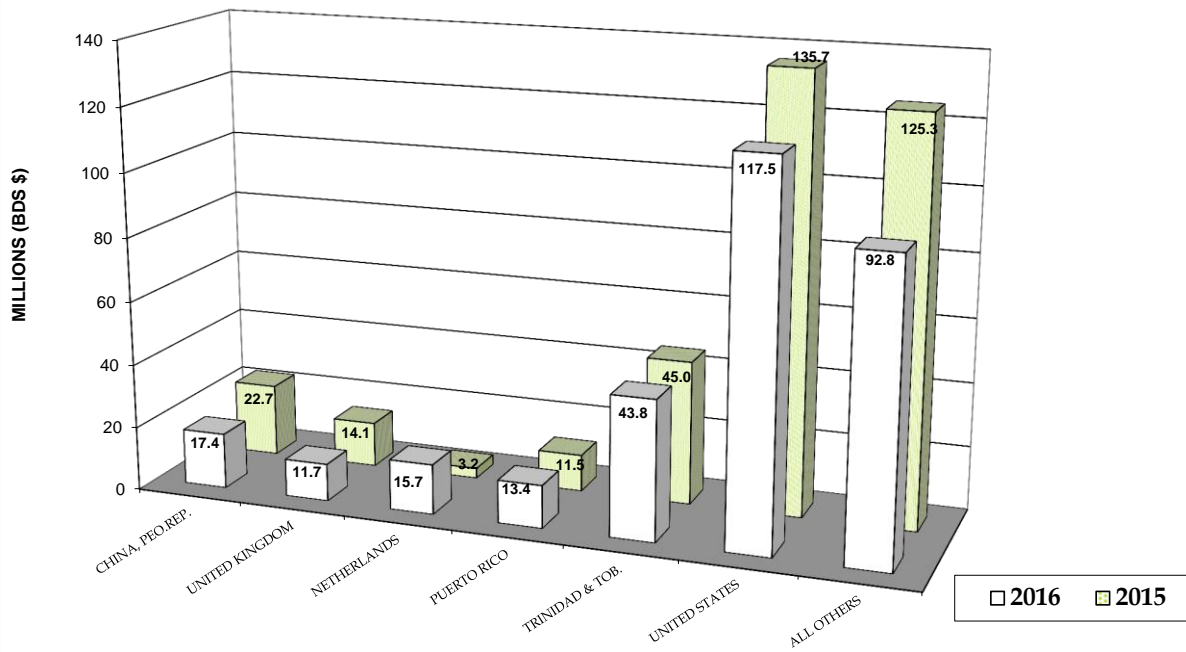
MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2016	2015
UNITED STATES	034	Fish Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	158,908	114,255
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	271,229	309,097
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	3,983,918	1,885,407
	289	Ores Of Precious Metal	68,100	68,030
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	194,041	41,244
	695	Hand Or Machine Tools	241,714	685
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	554,087	609,604
	773	Electric Dist Equipment	165,360	8,873
	781	Motor Cars	72,000	-
	971	Non-Monetary Gold	131,954	-
CHINA, PEO.REP.	579	Waste Parings, Scraps, Plastic	21,944	21,400
	684	Aluminium	1	-
	692	Metal Containers	14,400	11,200
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	147,220	-
	744	Mech. Handling Equipment	10	-
	761	Television Receivers	1,000	-
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	4,835,328	536
	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	326,460	303,992
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	77,858	144,657
	059	Fruit Juices	42,825	40,000
GUYANA	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	113,759	143,738
	582	Plates, Film, Foil Of Plastic	4,521	2,090
	642	Articles Of Paper	12,061	145,936
	661	Lime, Cement	1,742,743	2,924,699
	892	Printed Matter	206,938	138,635
	893	Articles Of Plastic	123,338	136,598
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	124,750	356,000
	059	Fruit Juices	78,995	48,578
	091	Margarine And Shortening	675,857	715,821
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	135,900	-
TRINIDAD & TOB.	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	540,494	874,682
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	213,840	210,000
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	113,402	315,793
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	130,066	108,309
	692	Metal Containers	80,086	102,113
	892	Printed Matter	110,911	23,403
	893	Articles Of Plastic	181,622	157,909
	017	Meat Prepared	151,382	157,716
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	111,784	-
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	209,630	555,120
JAMAICA	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	80,800	33,056
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	47,160	5,200
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	679,753	975,731
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	107,024	114,129
	692	Metal Containers	395,326	1,039,483
	892	Printed Matter	471,433	363,795
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	50,500	30,500

**MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015**

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2016	2015
UNITED STATES	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	4,044,974	3,846,710
	667	Pearls And Precious Stones	2,765,688	1,578,472
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	1,361,632	813,574
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	1,950,437	2,445,879
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	1,371,820	628,722
	845	Articles Of Apparel	778,519	542,595
	851	Footwear	2,010,988	815,527
	884	Optical Cord	417,445	215,099
	885	Watches And Clocks	5,587,935	6,629,199
	897	Jewellery	10,456,422	14,316,622
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	20,668,620	16,751,296
FRANCE	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	60,023	-
	666	Pottery	68,197	-
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	1,083,072	737,479
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	54,598	29,600
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	712,302	261,479
	845	Articles Of Apparel	176,297	40,420
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	49,141	102,178
	851	Footwear	465,792	201,941
	884	Optical Cord	106,560	31,197
	897	Jewellery	238,955	85,796
JAMAICA	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,977,099	7,741
	512	Alcohols, Phenols	27,711	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	367,188	792,014
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	11,298	-
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	2,358	-
	642	Articles Of Paper	659	920
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	40,171	-
	846	Clothing Accessories	839	-
	872	Medical Appliances	3,382	19,152
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	15,652	-
TRINIDAD & TOB.	122	Tobacco Manufactured	216,049	-
	522	Inorganic Chemical Elements	39,400	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,427,633	2,473,687
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	7,797	260
	642	Articles Of Paper	1,198	1,192
	745	Other Non-Electric Machinery	3,730	60
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	253	-
	773	Electric Dist Equipment	36	80
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	100	1,230
	898	Musical Instruments	411	-

MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015

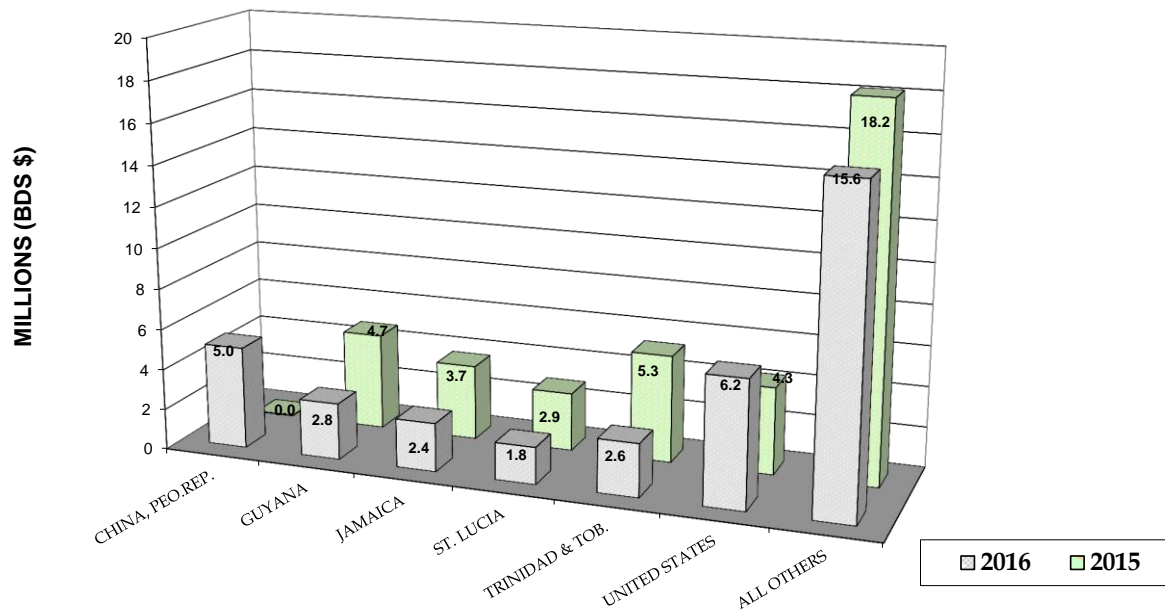
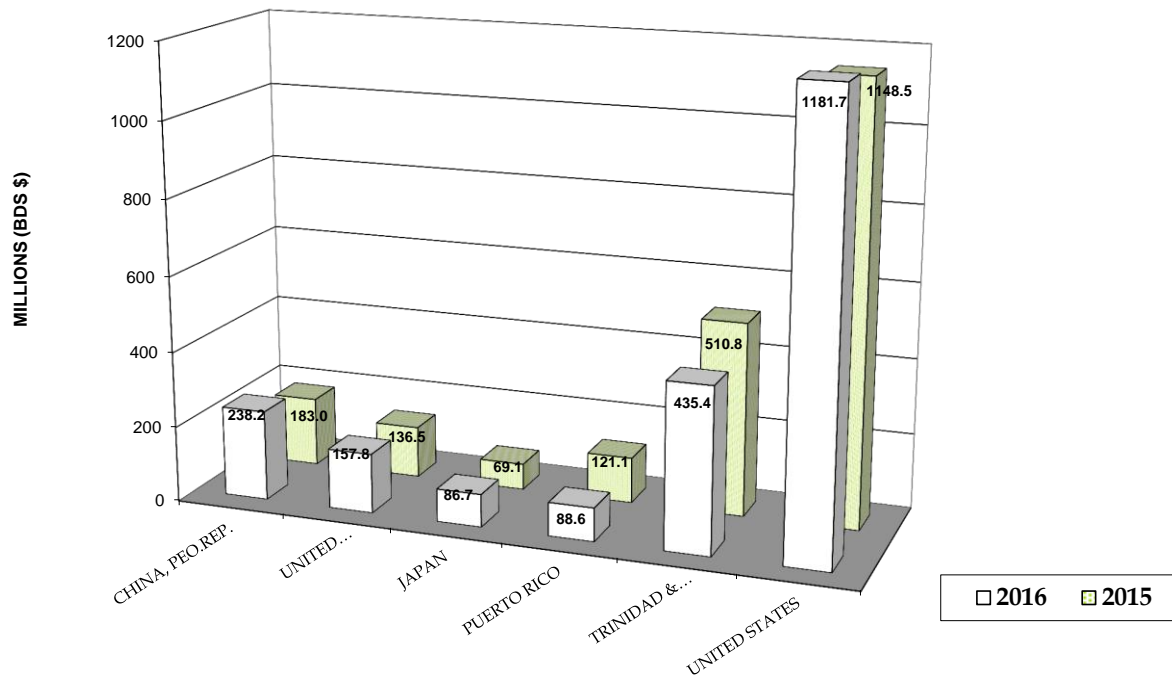


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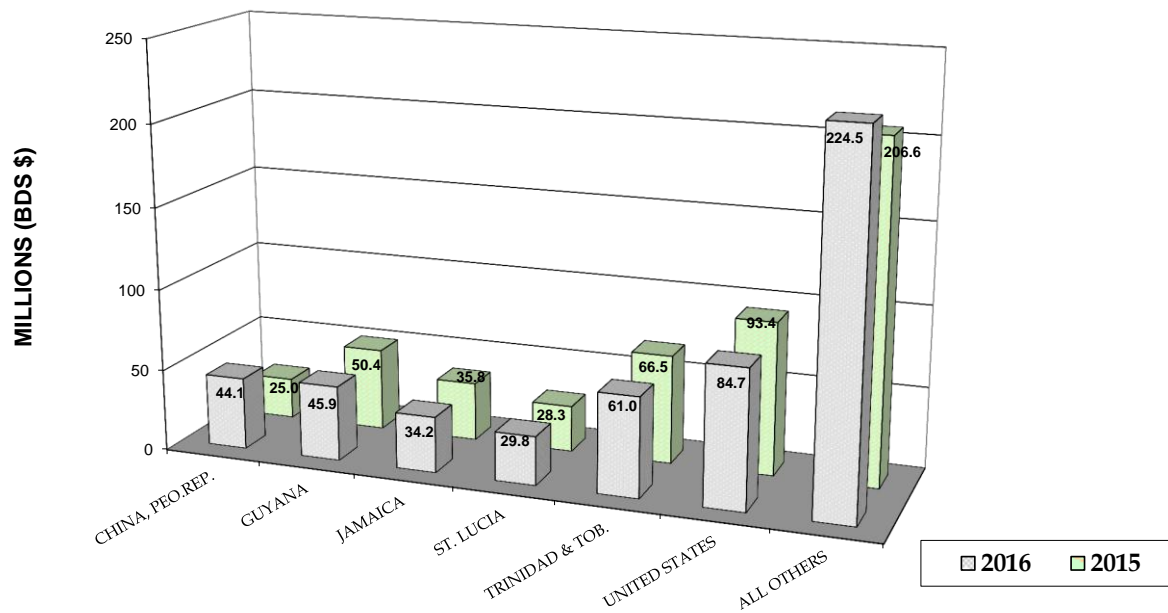
VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES AND GROUP
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2015

COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2016*	2015	2016*	2015	2016*	2015	2016*	2015
UNITED KINGDOM	156,546,837	136,395,056	27,524,685	24,597,969	4,945,030	3,494,077	32,469,715	28,092,046
CANADA	73,296,031	76,478,417	17,655,521	17,046,343	594,310	347,907	18,249,831	17,394,250
UNITED STATES	1,180,701,426	1,148,095,477	84,689,501	93,428,596	264,748,249	216,875,822	349,437,750	310,304,418
CARICOM *	585,298,239	682,149,107	257,094,848	260,078,670	62,705,392	50,999,860	319,800,240	311,078,530
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	77,152,850	104,337,096	104,930,697	97,765,183	33,705,915	27,656,042	138,636,612	125,421,225
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	472,531	17,539,601	16,241,288	13,534,155	5,222,181	7,107,741	21,463,469	20,641,896
PUERTO RICO	88,596,932	121,070,977	856,886	888,615	183,490	711,345	1,040,376	1,599,960
VENEZUELA	39,111	122,307	292,643	132,142	36,481	223	329,124	132,365
JAPAN	86,666,072	69,036,582	66,197	18,051	64,186	602,754	130,383	620,805
GERMANY	66,388,956	53,936,785	4,105,249	2,119,591	89,593	74,698	4,194,842	2,194,289
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	1,004,972,172	931,343,089	115,558,405	94,185,890	35,160,470	28,456,038	150,718,875	122,641,928
STORES/BUNKERS *	97,554	12,330	-	-	135,831,298	151,137,240	135,831,298	151,137,240
TOTAL *	3,243,075,861	3,236,179,728	524,085,223	506,030,022	509,580,680	459,807,705	#####	965,837,727

MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2015



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2015



**VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015**

TABLE 5

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S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	11,296,144	9,991,729	4,171,461	5,047,093	30,922	43,934	4,202,383	5,091,027
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	5,529,187	4,500,040	1,055,620	621,082	2,297,963	175,935	3,353,583	797,017
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	991,861	929,065	46,142	396,406	300	-	46,442	396,406
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	30,497,316	39,032,381	234,000	2,105,543	-	13,240	234,000	2,118,783
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	8,708	17,722	169,694	280,723	40	-	169,734	280,723
5 CHEMICALS	1,890,570	2,793,374	3,938,277	5,032,427	4,016,860	4,684,964	7,955,137	9,717,391
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	2,508,125	2,120,530	3,646,441	5,788,301	235,940	224,355	3,882,381	6,012,656
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	948,209	276,061	275,178	682,273	217,597	158,862	492,775	841,135
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	1,802,574	1,985,257	2,609,958	2,468,817	701,488	311,894	3,311,446	2,780,711
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	50,990	21,122	306,220	566,135	10,700	420	316,920	566,555
TOTAL *	55,523,684	61,667,281	16,452,991	22,988,800	7,511,810	5,613,604	23,964,801	28,602,404

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

(BDS \$)

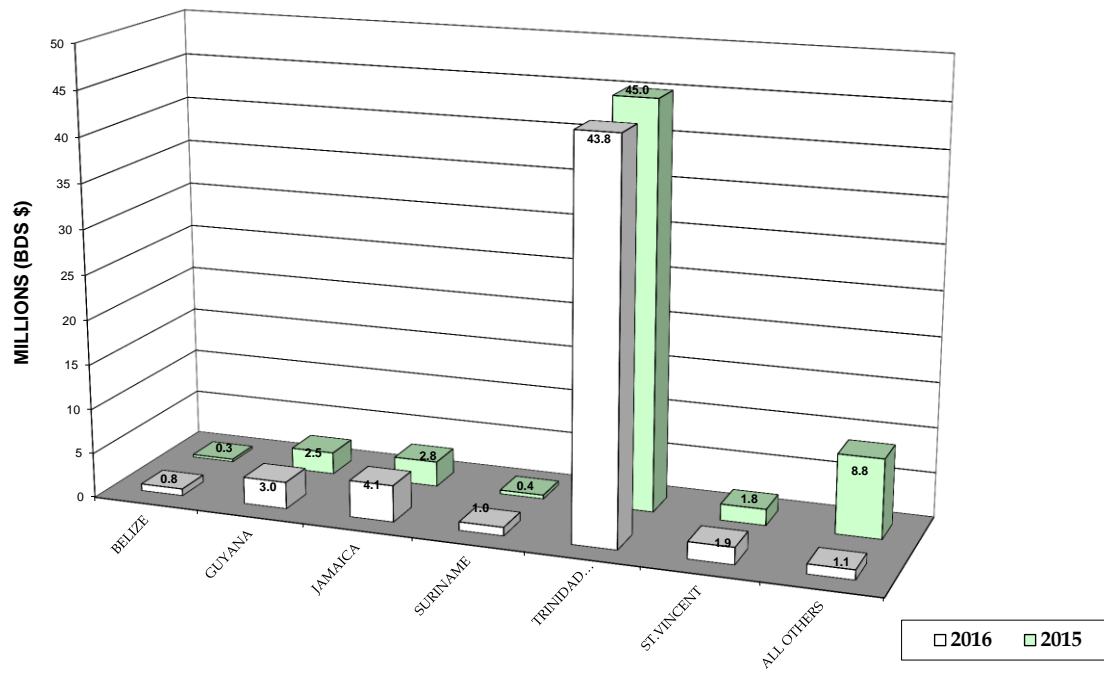
S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	102,754,369	103,651,663	57,557,036	58,797,211	1,099,565	888,063	58,656,601	59,685,274
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	43,579,434	45,150,597	8,815,375	8,468,523	4,438,289	1,426,566	13,253,664	9,895,089
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	6,864,645	8,568,946	878,326	2,110,584	20,091	38,107	898,417	2,148,691
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	354,189,186	444,160,971	18,493,216	27,947,055	6,923	27,085	18,500,139	27,974,140
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	166,283	172,679	3,659,559	4,297,983	93,627	7,638	3,753,186	4,305,621
5 CHEMICALS	22,881,447	24,701,755	58,209,589	59,083,770	32,820,302	36,581,512	91,029,891	95,665,282
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	28,791,449	31,056,911	63,683,719	63,358,463	5,465,714	3,439,906	69,149,433	66,798,369
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	6,134,437	5,199,538	10,596,993	5,392,299	12,880,418	3,251,258	23,477,411	8,643,557
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	19,295,967	18,859,342	33,555,840	28,480,144	5,852,473	5,330,635	39,408,313	33,810,779
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	641,022	626,705	1,645,195	2,142,638	27,990	9,090	1,673,185	2,151,728
TOTAL *	585,298,239	682,149,107	257,094,848	260,078,670	62,705,392	50,999,860	319,800,240	311,078,530

TABLE 7

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015

COUNTRY	(BDS \$)							
	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2016*	2015	2016*	2015	2016*	2015	2016*	2015
ANTIGUA	49,774	36,160	1,287,978	1,148,543	711,909	235,525	1,999,887	1,384,068
BELIZE	770,151	295,963	284,495	388,016	-	7,339	284,495	395,355
DOMINICA	45,266	18,509	512,628	875,396	148,836	105,771	661,464	981,167
GRENADA	341,285	327,862	1,532,309	1,300,189	769,875	472,904	2,302,184	1,773,093
GUYANA	2,983,323	2,451,299	2,779,010	4,747,589	10,242	77,070	2,789,252	4,824,659
HAITI	33,255	2,761	5,000	120,919	-	89,677	5,000	210,596
JAMAICA	4,073,681	2,799,541	2,387,169	3,694,555	2,446,710	819,827	4,833,879	4,514,382
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	13,251	137,219	1,028,986	484,513	421,042	248,524	1,450,028	733,037
ST. LUCIA	614,742	8,310,729	1,820,678	2,863,612	754,163	365,798	2,574,841	3,229,410
MONSTERRAT	-	-	70,273	23,008	2,997	26,888	73,270	49,896
SURINAME	951,252	430,084	836,168	264,742	-	-	836,168	264,742
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	43,753,019	45,042,897	2,614,904	5,277,864	1,696,627	2,515,309	4,311,531	7,793,173
ST. VINCENT	1,894,685	1,814,257	1,293,393	1,799,854	549,409	648,972	1,842,802	2,448,826
CARICOM TOTAL *	55,523,684	61,667,281	16,452,991	22,988,800	7,511,810	5,613,604	23,964,801	28,602,404
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	2,959,003	10,644,736	7,546,245	8,495,115	3,358,231	2,104,382	10,904,476	10,599,497

CARICOM IMPORTS
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015

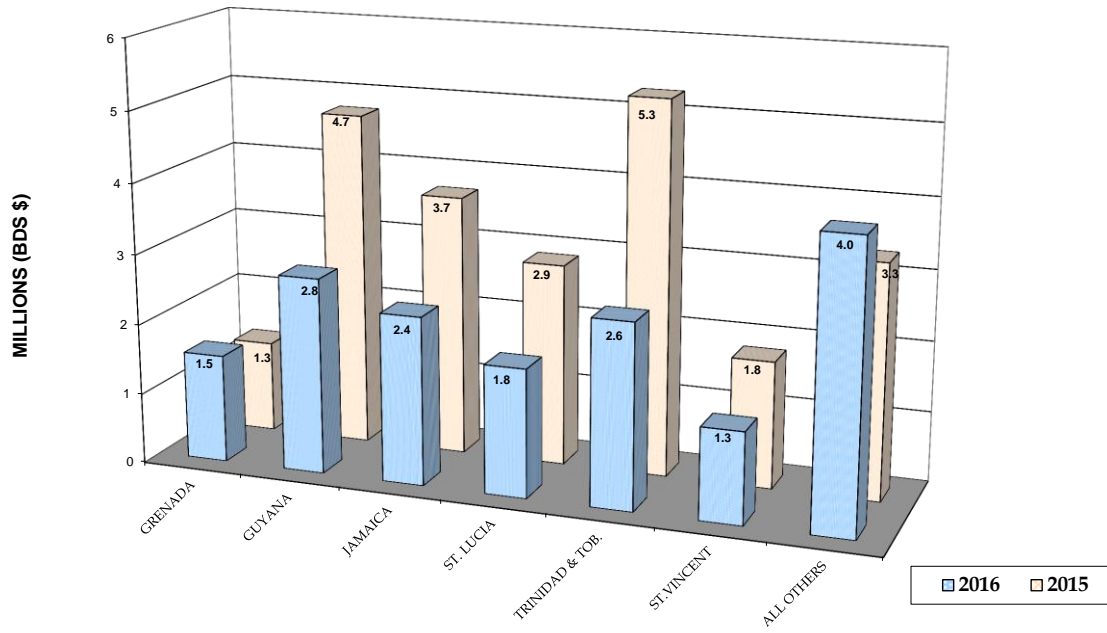


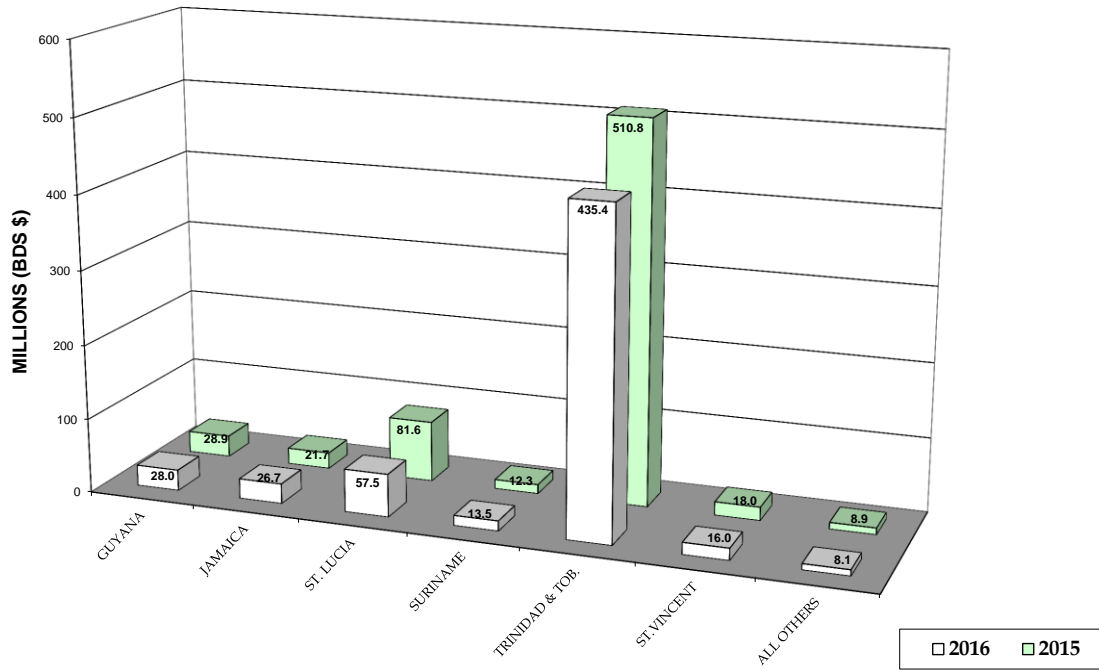
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**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2015**

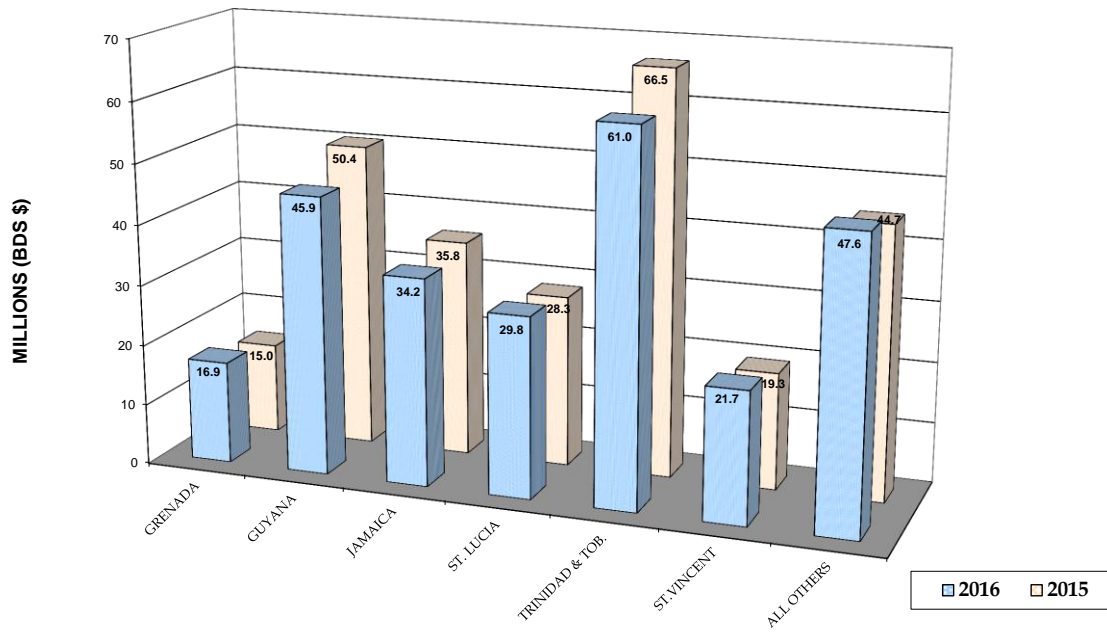
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COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015</u>
ANTIGUA	518,473	415,825	16,607,852	16,304,756	9,405,512	4,668,068	26,013,364	20,972,824
BELIZE	4,334,069	3,758,381	3,115,870	3,145,637	108,570	97,655	3,224,440	3,243,292
DOMINICA	792,402	1,561,714	6,793,073	6,790,812	2,240,471	2,376,847	9,033,544	9,167,659
GRENADA	2,136,540	2,461,936	16,884,904	14,975,103	4,249,928	4,020,634	21,134,832	18,995,737
GUYANA	27,977,262	28,890,245	45,881,327	50,398,955	632,400	960,207	46,513,727	51,359,162
HAITI	158,473	375,163	473,483	588,231	262,985	459,740	736,468	1,047,971
JAMAICA	26,710,831	21,673,628	34,213,660	35,839,317	8,975,932	8,658,737	43,189,592	44,498,054
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	155,427	288,211	12,364,882	11,656,472	3,071,585	3,136,077	15,436,467	14,792,549
ST. LUCIA	57,529,044	81,585,396	29,803,487	28,319,976	8,947,383	7,422,741	38,750,870	35,742,717
MONSTERRAT	2,689	5,558	747,411	424,494	87,831	213,089	835,242	637,583
SURINAME	13,520,462	12,322,442	7,527,358	5,805,255	80,488	96,323	7,607,846	5,901,578
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	435,444,292	510,792,152	60,952,453	66,536,092	18,939,102	13,071,156	79,891,555	79,607,248
ST. VINCENT	16,018,275	18,018,456	21,729,088	19,293,570	5,703,205	5,818,586	27,432,293	25,112,156
CARICOM TOTAL *	585,298,239	682,149,107	257,094,848	260,078,670	62,705,392	50,999,860	319,800,240	311,078,530
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	77,152,850	104,337,096	104,930,697	97,765,183	33,705,915	27,656,042	138,636,612	125,421,225

CARICOM IMPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015



**PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015**

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2016	2015
IMPORTS	098 Edible Products	8,763,061	9,062,631
	111 Non-Alcoholic Beverages	5,093,263	4,550,934
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	54,688,574	49,312,167
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	9,023,613	10,114,783
	728 Other Machinery	6,748,767	1,454,898
	737 Metalworking Machinery	5,579,172	29,215
	764 Telecommunication Equipment	4,931,605	5,187,992
	781 Motor Cars	9,536,229	8,955,852
	893 Articles Of Plastic	5,996,004	6,152,289
	897 Jewellery	7,568,409	16,536,330
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	993,134	1,877,874
	059 Fruit Juices	1,037,139	740,242
	091 Margarine And Shortening	1,142,649	1,300,313
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	7,260,252	5,700,593
	533 Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	1,194,760	993,417
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	3,305,958	5,385,834
	591 Disinfectants,Insecticides	907,566	1,303,043
	661 Lime, Cement	2,339,991	3,041,540
	892 Printed Matter	2,158,379	1,943,726
RE-EXPORTS	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	5,130,664	811,686
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	2,324,712	1,489,718
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	20,668,620	16,759,590
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	3,981,869	5,133,935
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	4,136,798	3,883,318
	667 Pearls And Precious Stones	2,765,688	1,578,472
	831 Travel Goods,Handbags	2,446,204	1,852,405
	842 Female Clothing Non Knitted	2,102,234	1,103,532
	851 Footwear	2,476,780	1,225,134
	885 Watches And Clocks	5,727,296	6,726,441
	897 Jewellery	10,883,171	14,449,124

**SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015**

TABLE 9

COMMODITY	SITC CODE	(BDS \$)			
		<u>2016</u>	%	<u>2015</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	138,584	0.4	-	0.0
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	1,142,649	3.1	1,300,313	3.3
RUM	112.441/449	5,769,584	15.8	5,102,282	13.1
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	1,194,760	3.3	993,417	2.5
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	3,312,745	9.1	5,399,448	13.8
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	27,535	0.1	13,983	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	907,566	2.5	1,303,043	3.3
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	346,873	1.0	383,465	1.0
CEMENT	661.222	2,305,590	6.3	3,041,540	7.8
METAL CONTAINERS	692	510,606	1.4	1,254,408	3.2
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	129,421	0.4	50,242	0.1
CLOTHING	841-848	4,021	0.0	45,122	0.1
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		15,789,934	43.3	18,887,263	48.4
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	815,177	2.2	1,045,988	2.7
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		19,827,694	54.4	19,124,701	49.0
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		36,432,805	100.0	39,057,952	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles

**SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2015**

TABLE 10

COMMODITY	SITC CODE	(BDS \$)			
		JANUARY -			
		<u>2016</u>	%	<u>2015</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	7,081,914	1.4	7,202,391	1.4
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	18,453,983	3.5	18,610,575	3.7
RUM	112.441/449	77,569,287	14.8	76,260,964	15.1
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	15,138,081	2.9	14,288,336	2.8
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	52,564,757	10.0	54,780,441	10.8
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	238,091	0.0	155,192	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	19,748,341	3.8	19,006,725	3.8
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	4,163,642	0.8	3,883,381	0.8
CEMENT	661.222	36,845,590	7.0	34,497,980	6.8
METAL CONTAINERS	692	12,905,310	2.5	15,500,493	3.1
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	561,053	0.1	573,613	0.1
CLOTHING	841-848	293,184	0.1	327,174	0.1
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		245,563,233	46.9	245,087,265	48.4
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	14,159,538	2.7	16,356,203	3.2
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		264,363,840	50.4	244,589,554	48.3
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		524,086,611	100.0	506,033,022	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles

MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2015

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2016	2015
UNITED STATES	098	Edible Products	46,266,210	43,555,220
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	25,273,096	24,571,671
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	31,013,112	28,924,751
	642	Articles Of Paper	24,874,320	26,629,182
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	26,625,188	18,825,659
	752	Data Processing Machines	23,480,475	23,114,150
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	28,105,213	30,019,662
	821	Furniture And Parts	25,747,222	27,932,401
	893	Articles Of Plastic	31,885,760	30,941,594
	897	Jewellery	55,190,648	19,586,169
TRINIDAD & TOB.	022	Milk And Cream	4,265,586	5,067,673
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	13,506,463	13,466,542
	098	Edible Products	11,037,636	11,645,441
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21,257,358	21,340,087
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	5,583,980	6,304,720
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	291,994,488	358,025,594
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	9,124,328	7,846,170
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	9,764,409	10,456,547
	642	Articles Of Paper	13,779,767	12,212,232
	893	Articles Of Plastic	6,020,526	5,322,535
CHINA, PEO.REP.	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	5,639,849	4,887,125
	752	Data Processing Machines	10,279,835	11,962,541
	761	Television Receivers	5,999,458	5,678,276
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	18,009,178	20,142,345
	776	Valves Tubes Diodes	13,781,722	3,523,369
	821	Furniture And Parts	5,476,311	4,603,994
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	5,901,631	5,096,394
	851	Footwear	8,257,802	10,216,446
	893	Articles Of Plastic	6,415,336	7,092,292
	897	Jewellery	54,503,772	11,827,804
NETHERLANDS	022	Milk And Cream	2,138,489	2,802,406
	054	Vegetables Fresh/Chilled,Frozen,Dry	5,721,930	4,773,953
	056	Vegetables/Roots Prep., Preserved	1,441,145	2,963,141
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	27,052,054	16,367,768
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	768,329	438,923
	597	Prep. Additives For Mineral Oils	1,061,980	-
	676	Iron And Steel Bars, Rods	1,095,237	412,137
	687	Tin	5,153,728	5,589,215
	745	Other Non-Electric Machinery	2,010,711	5,731
	775	Household Type Equipment	1,333,869	-
PUERTO RICO	081	Feeding Stuff, Animals	675,497	2,166,078
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	77,478,942	106,830,070
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	1,137,914	1,144,576
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,318,232	3,206,169
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	301,010	472,497
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	457,033	505,344
	635	Wood Manufactures	271,454	70
	642	Articles Of Paper	261,971	397,448
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	643,026	289,969
	893	Articles Of Plastic	2,737,447	2,271,342

MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2015

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2016	2015
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	3,896,073	5,651,029
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	40,683,499	40,058,825
	289	Ores Of Precious Metal	1,627,615	3,091,480
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	1,742,214	1,507,781
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	9,768,084	11,682,466
	885	Watches And Clocks	2,776,550	238,111
	897	Jewellery	1,960,830	4,237,841
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	4,360,598	3,022,345
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	1,696,047	1,499,381
	971	Non-Monetary Gold	1,523,582	133,232
CHINA, PEO.REP.	579	Waste Parings, Scraps, Plastic	117,784	156,820
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	92,000	-
	692	Metal Containers	14,402	11,200
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	239,985	87,800
	761	Television Receivers	1,000	-
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	2,200	11,890
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	885	-
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	600	-
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	43,572,461	24,663,790
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	11,400	2,150
GUYANA	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	2,639,934	2,945,009
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,972,760	1,512,646
	091	Margarine And Shortening	1,274,393	1,308,150
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,039,146	835,232
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	2,470,256	2,186,507
	642	Articles Of Paper	879,976	1,111,737
	661	Lime, Cement	25,313,157	30,979,537
	781	Motor Cars	942,964	163,500
	892	Printed Matter	2,578,097	2,256,582
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,783,493	1,854,191
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	2,749,154	2,892,631
	091	Margarine And Shortening	8,643,821	8,224,568
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,501,470	1,193,267
	333	Petroleum Crude	17,741,464	27,922,085
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	5,467,607	5,389,571
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	6,971,250	6,332,636
	692	Metal Containers	4,119,134	5,168,638
	762	Radio Broadcast Receivers	1,813,392	-
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	2,524,134	170
	892	Printed Matter	1,884,238	1,258,992
JAMAICA	017	Meat Prepared	925,997	909,336
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	1,115,777	884,420
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	4,139,715	3,558,996
	091	Margarine And Shortening	880,222	944,194
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	742,154	497,688
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	1,148,525	1,277,505
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	6,629,121	8,628,158
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	1,692,361	1,193,374
	692	Metal Containers	8,310,043	9,830,038
	892	Printed Matter	6,520,021	6,030,706

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2015

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2016	2015
UNITED STATES	112	Alcoholic Beverages	2,453,221	3,977,136
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	9,045,257	10,684,748
	667	Pearls And Precious Stones	6,195,241	3,530,797
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	4,198,089	4,033,584
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	4,684,494	5,209,680
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	3,978,211	3,214,661
	845	Articles Of Apparel	3,694,990	2,960,263
	851	Footwear	8,771,711	10,902,550
	885	Watches And Clocks	32,048,816	55,835,824
	897	Jewellery	168,841,389	67,668,822
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	135,831,298	151,137,240
FRANCE	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	4,959,584	5,195,321
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	280,561	241,201
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	2,067,704	1,263,811
	844	Female Clothing Knitted	260,837	268,244
	845	Articles Of Apparel	468,166	273,395
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	451,635	687,313
	851	Footwear	1,654,830	1,230,550
	884	Optical Cord	262,899	251,827
	885	Watches And Clocks	516,718	-
	897	Jewellery	810,708	562,781
JAMAICA	112	Alcoholic Beverages	2,990,708	10,512
	512	Alcohols, Phenols	36,540	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	5,061,772	7,326,091
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	41,462	50,172
	642	Articles Of Paper	92,012	968
	745	Other Non-Electric Machinery	39,684	-
	781	Motor Cars	81,569	662,468
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	247,600	20,114
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	141,938	53,995
	872	Medical Appliances	81,974	341,827
TRINIDAD & TOB.	525	Radioactive Materials	396,164	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	6,440,163	10,228,088
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	552,948	1,690
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	423,655	-
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	1,626,008	31,703
	723	Contractors Plant Equipment	3,886,878	532,974
	743	Other Pumps	501,833	1,050
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	794,733	11,170
	793	Ships And Boats	2,000,000	2,000
	872	Medical Appliances	436,184	986,409

PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2016 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2015

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2016	2015
IMPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	47,741,688	47,158,281
	098 Edible Products	91,378,434	88,164,114
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	53,488,625	54,244,572
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	479,780,725	581,453,801
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	114,159,346	116,612,256
	642 Articles Of Paper	53,398,119	52,877,587
	764 Telecommunication Equipment	64,953,586	74,772,780
	781 Motor Cars	102,311,869	84,394,871
	893 Articles Of Plastic	66,938,084	68,059,538
	897 Jewellery	152,462,396	48,608,378
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	17,898,357	18,460,917
	091 Margarine And Shortening	18,453,983	18,610,575
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	96,321,155	85,824,826
	333 Petroleum Crude	17,741,464	27,922,085
	533 Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	15,138,081	14,288,336
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	52,385,482	54,605,744
	591 Disinfectants,Insecticides	19,748,341	19,006,725
	661 Lime, Cement	36,969,177	34,852,295
	892 Printed Matter	27,252,517	24,440,872
	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	54,210,198	31,991,483
RE-EXPORTS	112 Alcoholic Beverages	7,955,359	6,967,078
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	135,835,308	151,155,006
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	36,461,750	42,092,668
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	9,674,763	11,182,225
	831 Travel Goods,Handbags	10,840,565	11,524,201
	841 Male Clothing-Non Knitted	6,794,105	6,714,608
	842 Female Clothing Non Knitted	7,072,152	5,461,883
	851 Footwear	13,434,901	14,553,355
	885 Watches And Clocks	35,279,943	57,636,855
	897 Jewellery	173,176,393	69,323,339