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REVIEW OF OVERSEAS TRADE

During the month of March 2019, total imports to Barbados were valued at \$270 million, whilst total exports from Barbados were valued at \$83 million. This resulted in a visible trade deficit of \$186.9 million, as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$183.3 million for March 2018.

Imports for March 2019 were \$8.2 million more than imports for March 2018, an increase of 3.1%. Total exports increased by \$4.5 million or 5.8% of the March 2018 figure. Domestic exports increased by \$8.7 million or 22.5% over March 2018 period, while the value of re-exports decreased by \$4.2 million or 10.4% over the corresponding period 2018.

For the period January – March 2019, the value of imports to Barbados was \$771 million, whilst the value of total exports was \$248.5 million representing an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$522.7 million as compared to a similar deficit of \$518.8 million for January – March 2018.

Imports for January – March 2019 were \$4.6 million more than imports for the same period 2018, an increase of 0.6%. Total exports showed a decrease of some \$2.3 million or 0.9% over the January - March 2018 figure. Domestic exports increased by \$16.4 million or 13.3% over January – March 2018. The value of re-exports decreased by \$18.7 million or 14.6 % over the corresponding period 2018.

CARICOM TRADE

During the month of March 2019, total imports from CARICOM countries were valued at \$51.5 million, whilst total exports to CARICOM were valued at \$30.1 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$21.3 million as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$34.6 million for March 2018.

Total CARICOM imports for March 2019 were \$10 million less than CARICOM imports for March 2018, a decrease of 16.2 %. Total exports to CARICOM for March 2019 were \$3.3 million more than total exports for March 2018, an increase of 12.4%. Domestic exports increased by \$2.6 million or 11% over March 2018. The value of re-exports increased by some \$0.7 million, or 22.3%, over the March 2018 figure.

For the period January – March 2019, total imports from CARICOM were valued at \$144.5 million, whilst total exports were \$92.7 million resulting in an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$51.8 million as compared with a deficit of \$75.6 million for the same period of 2018.

During this period, CARICOM imports were approximately \$13.9 million less than those over the same period in 2018, a decrease of 8.8%. Total exports to CARICOM for January – March 2019 were \$9.9 million more than total exports for the corresponding period 2018, an increase of 11.9%. Domestic exports increased by approximately \$9.1 million or 12.4% over the same period 2018. The value of re-exports increased by \$0.8 million or 8.0% over the January – March 2018 figure.

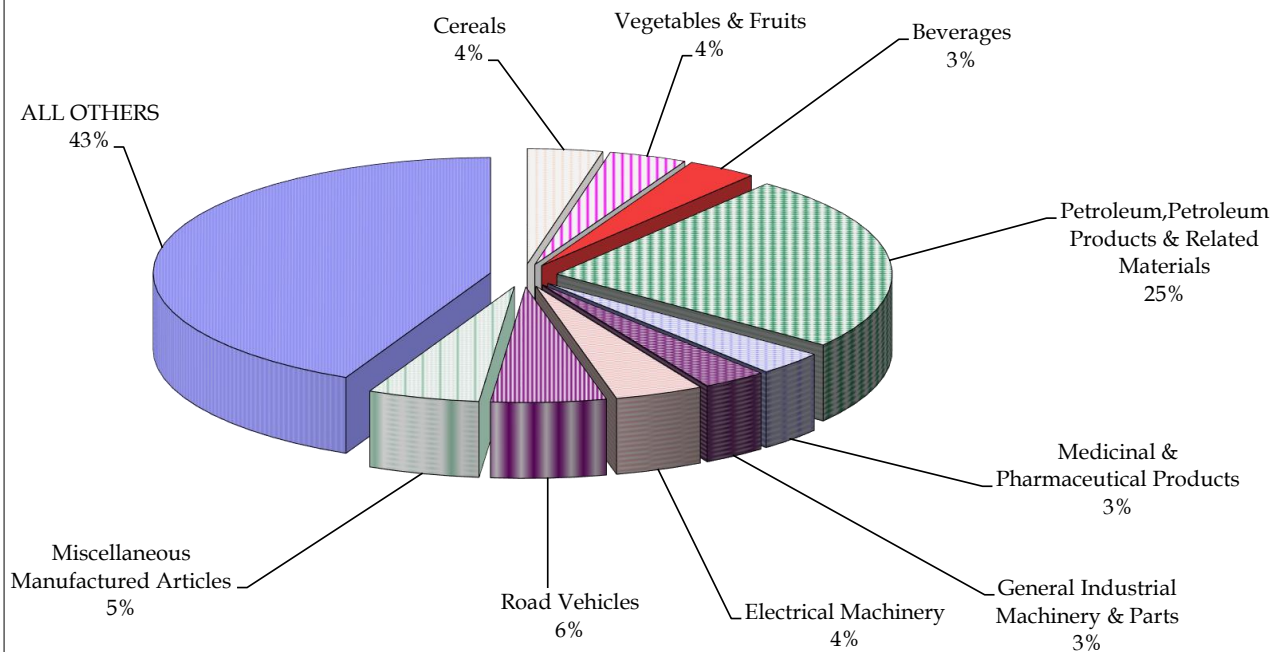
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018**

TABLE 1

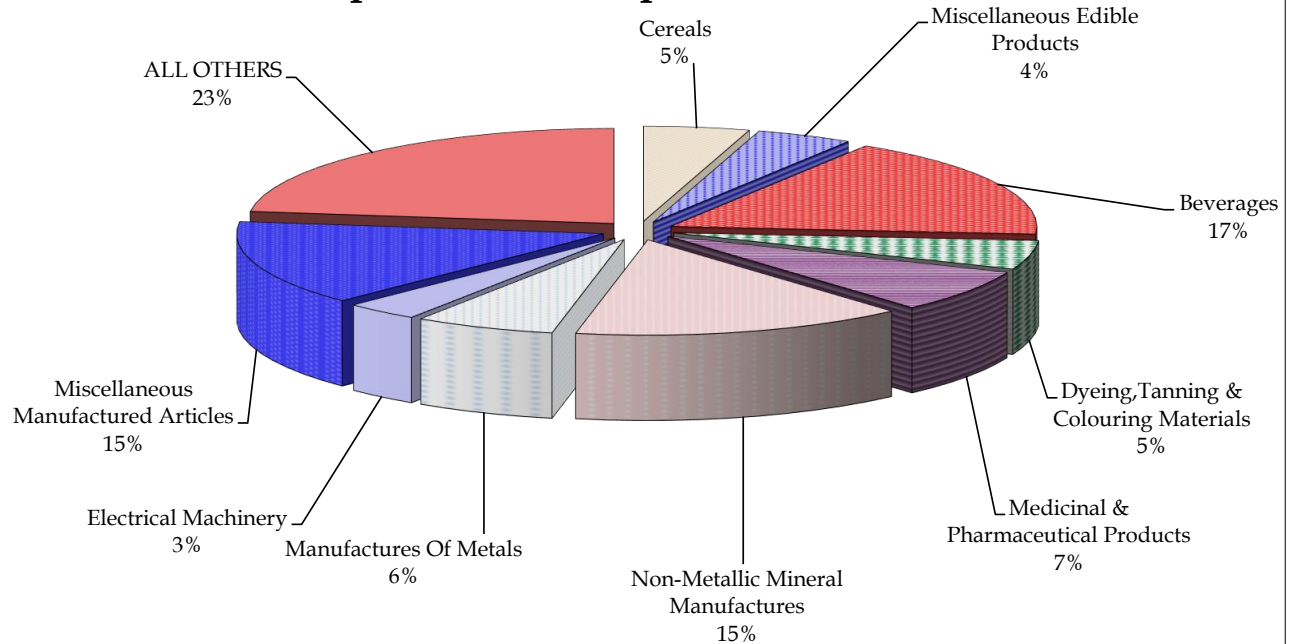
S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	51,074,221	50,381,018	6,005,198	6,093,411	145,004	518,729	6,150,202	6,612,140
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	9,620,647	8,146,385	8,225,356	6,754,609	816,592	817,367	9,041,948	7,571,976
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	5,281,234	5,586,046	1,431,420	335,163	3,177	4,823	1,434,597	339,986
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	69,475,824	67,748,959	394,420	79,965	25,485,380	23,680,572	25,879,800	23,760,537
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	1,998,341	1,634,191	271,002	303,910	-	298	271,002	304,208
5 CHEMICALS	25,752,636	26,814,363	7,639,922	7,441,308	2,779,864	6,846,710	10,419,786	14,288,018
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	26,009,502	25,048,005	10,826,217	7,994,835	802,584	443,952	11,628,801	8,438,787
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	51,655,869	47,299,523	3,918,090	2,216,696	773,280	283,810	4,691,370	2,500,506
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	28,404,378	28,701,709	8,246,438	7,224,765	4,898,380	7,275,193	13,144,818	14,499,958
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	794,608	490,184	432,638	242,389	25,975	15,300	458,613	257,689
TOTAL*	270,067,260	261,850,383	47,390,701	38,687,051	35,730,236	39,886,754	83,120,937	78,573,805

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Principal Imports - March 2019



Principal Domestic Exports - March 2019



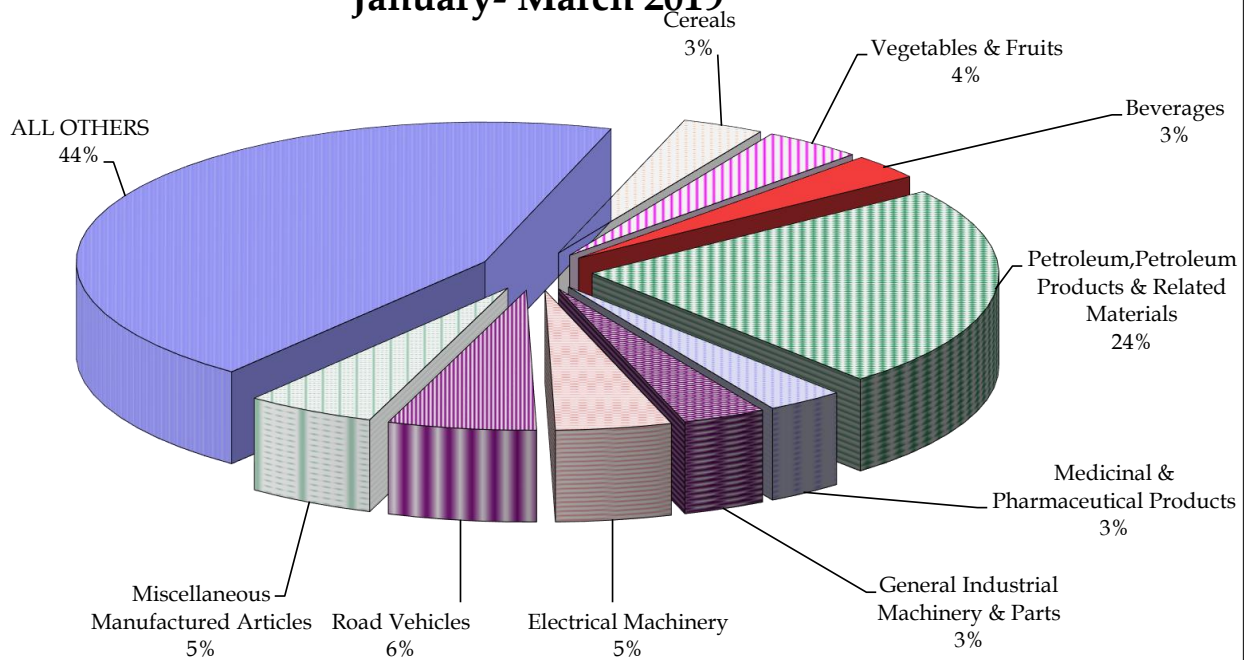
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2018**

TABLE 2

S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	147,531,482	143,864,505	17,808,336	16,791,639	406,318	2,824,715	18,214,654	19,616,354
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	24,326,989	24,006,454	23,085,233	22,508,945	4,249,248	4,599,001	27,334,481	27,107,946
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	14,246,592	14,525,280	3,646,970	1,493,399	88,291	72,954	3,735,261	1,566,353
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS*	187,343,959	184,616,330	12,819,211	7,986,056	72,620,260	73,066,161	85,439,471	81,052,217
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	5,413,759	5,262,724	797,566	996,424	2,570	819	800,136	997,243
5 CHEMICALS	73,250,901	81,295,599	20,641,609	20,453,398	9,093,909	13,693,317	29,735,518	34,146,715
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	78,369,402	77,203,465	25,959,720	22,033,348	2,696,024	1,641,968	28,655,744	23,675,316
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	155,387,272	141,034,285	13,398,598	7,231,273	1,909,795	1,025,329	15,308,393	8,256,602
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	82,638,642	92,246,323	19,733,635	22,106,580	18,139,483	30,990,123	37,873,118	53,096,703
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	2,683,223	2,556,621	1,352,814	1,246,877	89,816	48,950	1,442,630	1,295,827
TOTAL*	771,192,221	766,611,586	139,243,692	122,847,939	109,295,714	127,963,337	248,539,406	250,811,276

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Principal Imports January- March 2019



Principal Domestic Exports January- March 2019

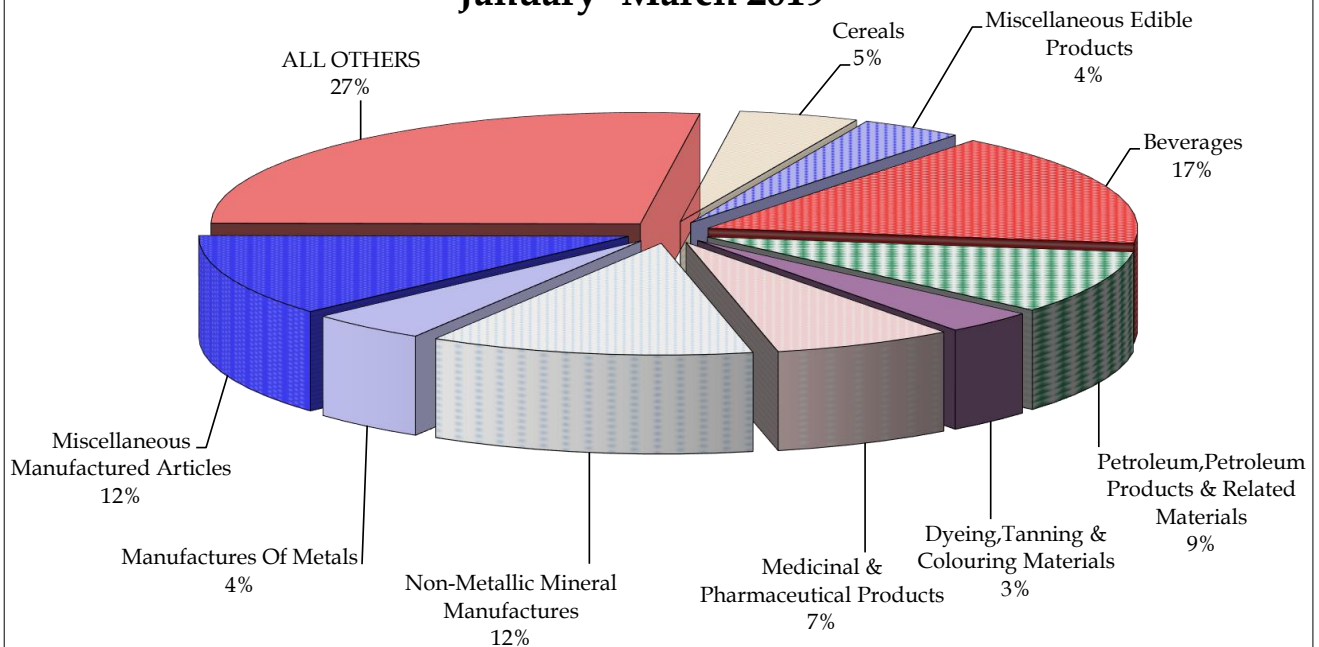


TABLE 3

**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES AND GROUP
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018**

COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
UNITED KINGDOM	10,954,020	9,575,053	855,829	822,154	235,754	468,413	1,091,583	1,290,567
CANADA	4,729,961	4,331,434	3,032,761	2,241,410	78,238	85,175	3,110,999	2,326,585
UNITED STATES	93,373,738	87,333,930	9,171,162	6,634,890	5,277,396	10,995,884	14,448,558	17,630,774
CARICOM *	51,515,775	61,467,674	26,183,920	23,585,649	4,001,669	3,271,050	30,185,589	26,856,699
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	2,278,578	1,742,799	12,822,508	10,279,729	3,293,398	2,805,599	16,115,906	13,085,328
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	24,701	13,412,015	1,216,751	1,723,775	318,503	338,941	1,535,254	2,062,716
PUERTO RICO	10,583,597	13,311,959	93,439	44,344	-	3,000	93,439	47,344
VENEZUELA	3,008	456	-	20	-	-	-	20
JAPAN	5,423,112	8,107,754	-	-	180	-	180	-
GERMANY	3,891,286	2,864,769	10,334	30,004	59	-	10,393	30,004
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	89,345,187	61,445,097	6,826,505	3,604,805	333,057	1,043,779	7,159,562	4,648,584
STORES/BUNKERS *	-	242	-	-	25,485,380	23,680,512	25,485,380	23,680,512
TOTAL *	269,844,385	261,850,383	47,390,701	38,687,051	35,730,236	39,886,754	83,120,937	78,573,805

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**MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018**

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2019	2018
UNITED STATES	044	Maize Unmilled	2,333,156	2,134,376
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,892,039	1,666,340
	057	Fruits And Nuts Fresh/Dry	2,272,947	1,756,695
	098	Edible Products	3,827,859	4,095,540
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	3,524,662	4,222,164
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	1,935,229	1,893,546
	642	Articles Of Paper	3,296,120	2,205,011
	752	Data Processing Machines	2,183,654	1,279,367
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	2,956,064	1,518,913
	893	Articles Of Plastic	3,081,046	2,431,167
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,352,823	1,448,034
	058	Fruits Prep., Preserved	472,776	343,972
	098	Edible Products	1,121,427	1,160,446
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1,879,205	1,787,608
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	30,480,551	36,816,749
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	953,099	-
	344	Petrol Gases	856,575	3,660,670
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	469,813	766,084
	642	Articles Of Paper	1,111,184	1,255,319
	893	Articles Of Plastic	417,871	418,831
NETHERLANDS	022	Milk And Cream	256,543	-
	054	Vegetables Fresh/ Chilled, Frozen, Dry	530,227	329,164
	056	Vegetables/ Roots Prep., Preserved	101,499	145,157
	081	Feeding Stuff, Animals	78,212	22,586
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	26,671,547	554,881
	516	Other Organic Chemicals	96,360	-
	522	Inorganic Chemical Elements	83,623	-
	597	Prep. Additives For Mineral Oils	148,971	149,428
	687	Tin	430,318	561,044
	724	Textile Leather Machinery	316,349	-
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres, Cases	516,010	446,704
	752	Data Processing Machines	829,796	1,410,527
	761	Television Receivers	572,347	375,650
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	842,992	1,197,597
	771	Electric Power Machines	756,434	102,555
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	980,470	877,030
	775	Household Type Equipment	506,506	367,678
	821	Furniture And Parts	464,740	326,660
	851	Footwear	372,898	401,193
	893	Articles Of Plastic	694,802	599,574
UNITED KINGDOM	012	Other Meat Fresh, Chilled	297,562	32,489
	024	Cheese And Curd	411,481	627,333
	098	Edible Products	331,421	354,156
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	827,562	340,562
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	506,704	1,364,666
	742	Pumps For Liquids	869,132	57,988
	781	Motor Cars	465,216	216,450
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	453,459	289,257
	784	Motor Vehicle Parts	339,561	225,556
	892	Printed Matter	1,433,243	179,089

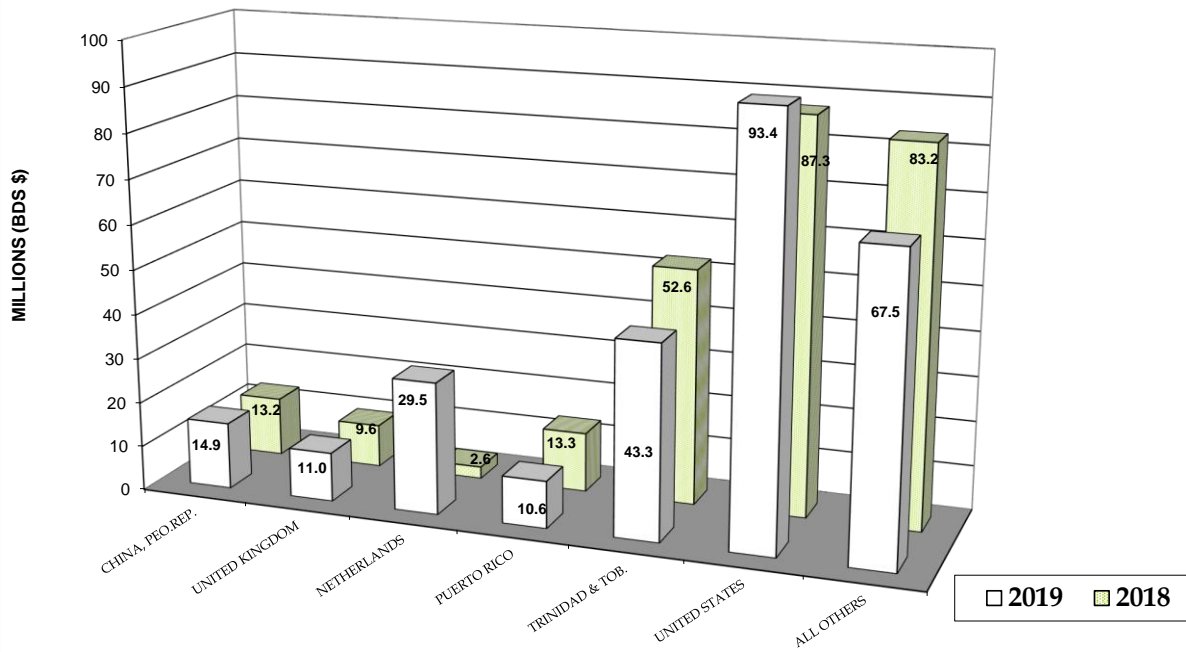
MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2019	2018
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	188,035	281,842
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	3,947,060	2,635,097
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	235,841	177,012
	728	Other Machinery	282,272	-
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	1,086,319	30,164
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	850,351	912,609
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	286,000	-
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	617,519	479,225
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	649,249	843,500
	971	Non-Monetary Gold	207,332	-
GUYANA	017	Meat Prepared	110,904	109,832
	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	211,029	273,765
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	108,508	-
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	266,097	116,308
	091	Margarine And Shortening	202,133	-
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	246,404	516,971
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	58,447	45,094
	661	Lime, Cement	2,793,295	2,452,835
	892	Printed Matter	205,377	170,033
	893	Articles Of Plastic	122,412	180,648
JAMAICA	017	Meat Prepared	154,806	-
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	45,550	111,798
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	480,163	85,608
	091	Margarine And Shortening	116,930	49,125
	512	Alcohols, Phenols	300,723	552,886
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	66,297	40
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,329,282	752,783
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	105,086	234,713
	692	Metal Containers	1,209,721	862,297
	892	Printed Matter	361,909	770,343
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	293,536	308,592
	091	Margarine And Shortening	787,570	1,070,570
	098	Edible Products	81,405	80,039
	335	Residual Petroleum Products	357,500	-
	421	Fixed Vegetable Oils And Fat, Soft	135,832	136,588
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	490,552	650,568
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	411,020	497,274
	692	Metal Containers	314,720	244,046
	892	Printed Matter	246,449	166,109
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	80,798	132,178
GRENADA	001	Live Animals For Food	138,070	22,665
	059	Fruit Juices	42,859	34,345
	081	Feeding Stuff, Animals	259,711	362,104
	098	Edible Products	81,224	789
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	144,302	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	149,120	257,845
	582	Plates, Film, Foil Of Plastic	141,545	77,283
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	110,016	124,084
	661	Lime, Cement	1,689,150	275,258
	893	Articles Of Plastic	55,121	6,320

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2019	2018
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	25,485,380	23,680,512
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	319,560	124,219
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	198,282	4,499,748
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	85,418	13,058
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	133,728	157,555
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	279,824	203,273
	845	Articles Of Apparel	289,788	75,840
	851	Footwear	334,208	398,310
	885	Watches And Clocks	286,950	384,197
	893	Articles Of Plastic	149,915	21,417
UNITED STATES	897	Jewellery	2,193,843	3,695,537
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	28,556	1,720
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	124,071	6,470
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	439,648	285,358
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	16,499	800
	751	Office Machines	13,600	-
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	144,000	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	19,768	-
	872	Medical Appliances	27,359	4,121
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	29,345	-
ST.VINCENT	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	24,500	300
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	27,510	15,397
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	60,022	5,178
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	16,823	1,381
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	459,196	372,637
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	73,892	-
	641	Paper And Paper Products	12,825	-
	642	Articles Of Paper	36,989	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	44,147	-
	872	Medical Appliances	66,718	6,510
ANTIGUA	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	14,878	180
	037	Fish, Crustaceans	28,540	-
	056	Vegetables/Roots Prep., Preserved	10,840	-
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	27,376	673
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	12,914	2,015
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	366,513	104,973
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	6,360	-
	751	Office Machines	57,400	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	76,285	756
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	29,517	212
DOMINICA	893	Articles Of Plastic	20,774	272

MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

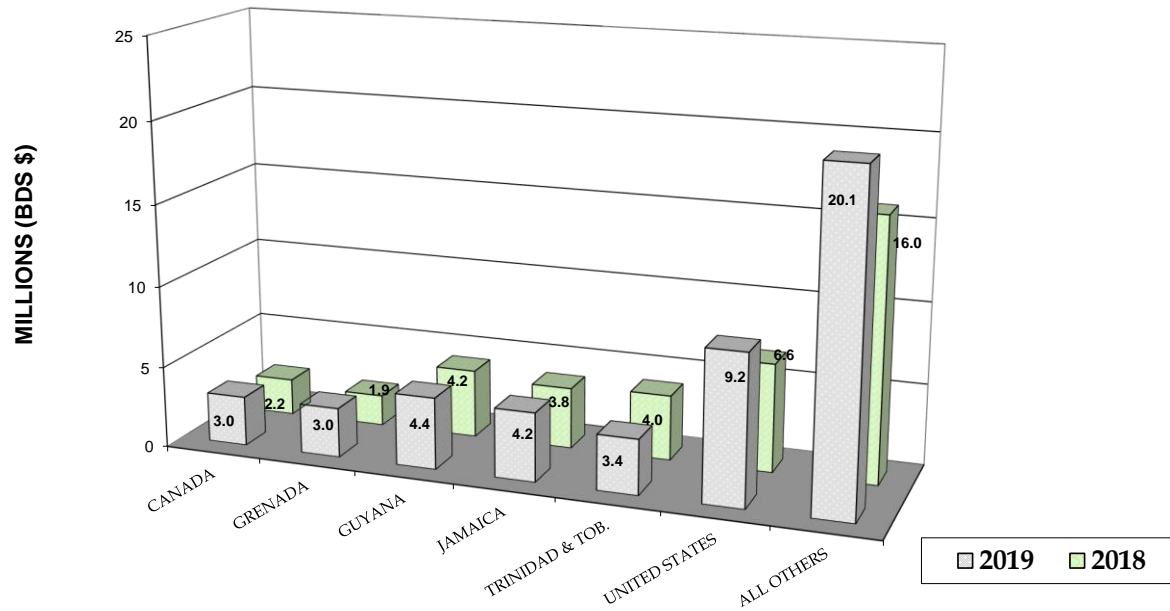


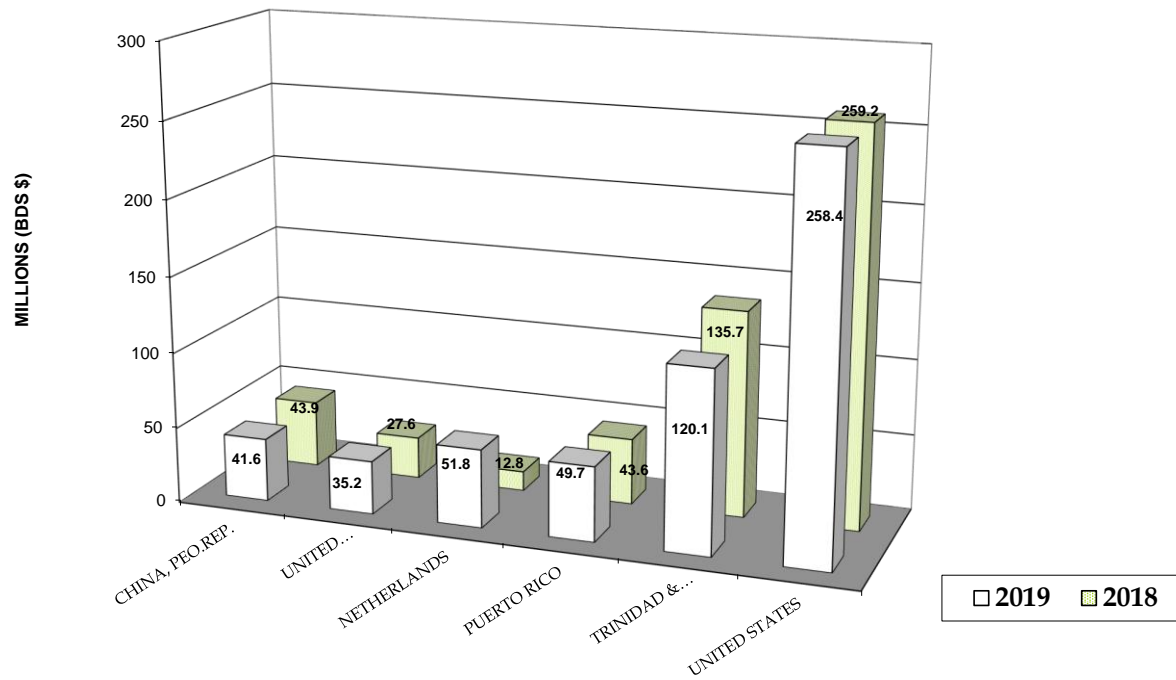
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JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2018

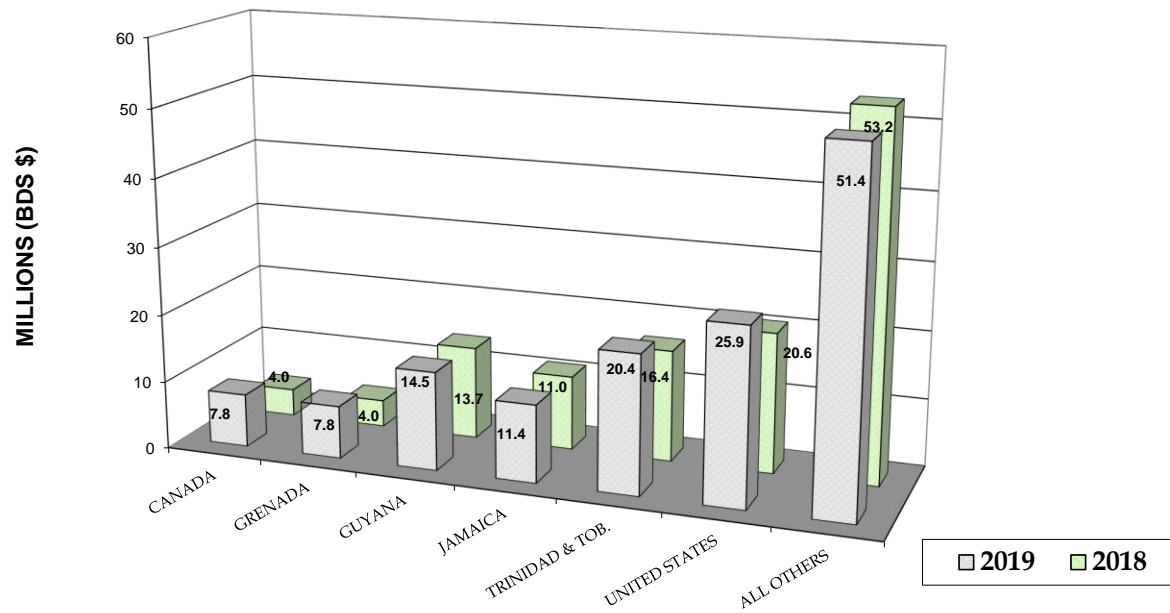
COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
UNITED KINGDOM	35,233,224	27,567,821	3,076,815	3,226,864	768,425	1,146,572	3,845,240	4,373,436
CANADA	14,475,406	15,624,188	7,823,945	4,015,283	234,726	244,795	8,058,671	4,260,078
UNITED STATES	258,408,872	259,220,949	25,899,670	20,565,988	20,752,988	38,887,580	46,652,658	59,453,568
CARICOM *	144,502,998	158,429,361	82,194,442	73,103,688	10,529,768	9,751,497	92,724,210	82,855,185
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	6,034,105	5,666,093	32,505,789	28,360,573	8,295,691	7,484,104	40,801,480	35,844,677
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	60,855	26,222,825	3,246,763	4,652,195	1,077,353	1,237,166	4,324,116	5,889,361
PUERTO RICO	49,661,129	43,627,907	217,897	135,528	59,462	27,733	277,359	163,261
VENEZUELA	10,913	5,350	23,354	142,227	-	-	23,354	142,227
JAPAN	18,984,230	24,265,241	83	34,623	180	-	263	34,623
GERMANY	10,470,421	8,497,473	100,462	406,097	27,790	309	128,252	406,406
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	238,996,279	203,110,873	16,660,261	16,564,246	3,226,670	3,601,943	19,886,931	20,166,189
STORES/BUNKERS *	-	39,598	-	-	72,618,352	73,065,742	72,618,352	73,065,742
TOTAL *	770,804,327	766,611,586	139,243,692	122,846,739	109,295,714	127,963,337	248,539,406	250,810,076

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MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2018



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2018



VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

TABLE 5

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S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	9,882,110	11,140,703	5,451,250	5,390,198	65,374	40,133	5,516,624	5,430,331
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	4,014,891	3,455,506	715,732	854,112	108,597	359,621	824,329	1,213,733
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	210,115	282,410	30,960	39,528	205	4,782	31,165	44,310
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	32,441,970	40,477,767	394,420	79,965	-	-	394,420	79,965
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	47,297	6,404	270,214	299,934	-	-	270,214	299,934
5 CHEMICALS	1,584,617	1,741,108	6,614,935	6,562,115	2,361,493	2,028,654	8,976,428	8,590,769
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	1,900,882	2,202,392	9,868,736	5,898,388	386,095	226,400	10,254,831	6,124,788
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	401,592	443,882	269,820	488,717	592,277	137,136	862,097	625,853
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	980,930	1,711,020	2,477,820	3,914,720	463,128	464,024	2,940,948	4,378,744
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	51,371	6,482	90,033	57,972	24,500	10,300	114,533	68,272
TOTAL *	51,515,775	61,467,674	26,183,920	23,585,649	4,001,669	3,271,050	30,185,589	26,856,699

**VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2018**

TABLE 6

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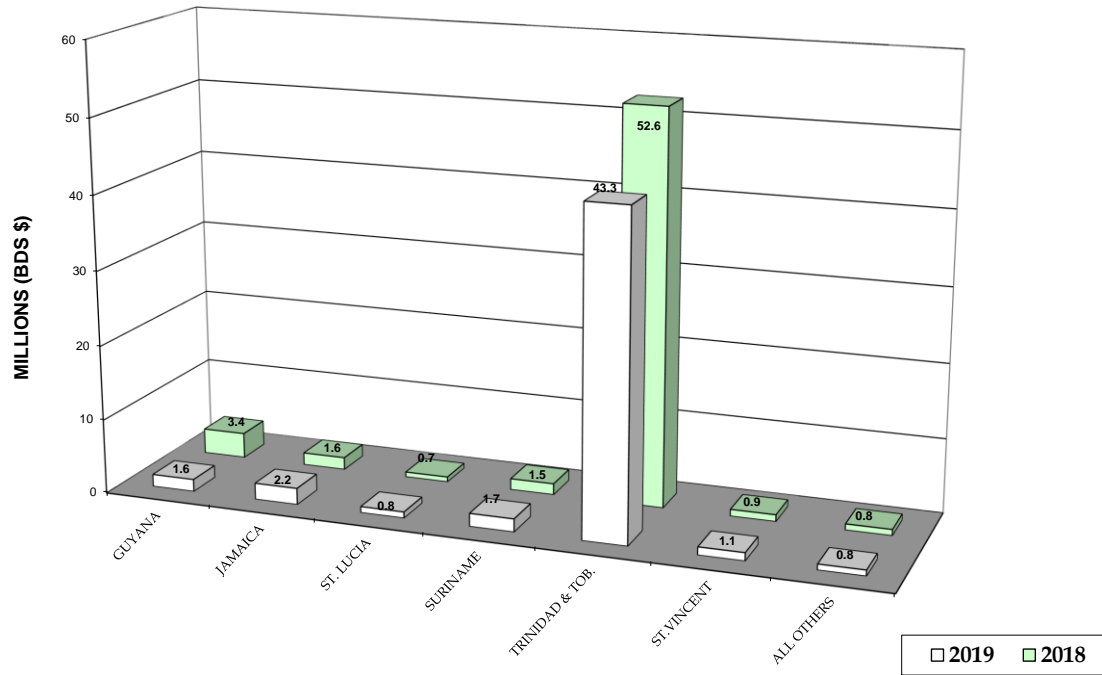
S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2019*</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019*</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019*</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019*</u>	<u>2018</u>
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	29,100,233	27,263,701	16,016,828	14,566,791	167,790	162,483	16,184,618	14,729,274
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	9,735,762	9,276,416	2,587,061	3,353,547	1,513,570	1,432,962	4,100,631	4,786,509
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	1,347,084	875,168	148,252	161,403	1,574	4,873	149,826	166,276
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	89,883,731	105,646,163	12,819,211	7,837,256	1,509	359	12,820,720	7,837,615
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	70,328	26,477	792,014	988,472	2,410	157	794,424	988,629
5 CHEMICALS	4,997,517	5,513,383	17,149,293	17,112,278	5,650,796	5,713,391	22,800,089	22,825,669
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	5,447,713	5,150,619	23,420,010	18,110,656	809,817	547,211	24,229,827	18,657,867
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	1,098,756	794,934	2,466,988	1,354,145	957,946	565,138	3,424,934	1,919,283
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	2,686,071	3,862,029	6,609,255	9,289,246	1,336,456	1,311,423	7,945,711	10,600,669
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	135,803	20,471	185,530	329,894	87,900	13,500	273,430	343,394
TOTAL *	144,502,998	158,429,361	82,194,442	73,103,688	10,529,768	9,751,497	92,724,210	82,855,185

TABLE 7

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

COUNTRY	(BDS \$)							
	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
ANTIGUA	5,526	25,482	1,647,663	2,095,143	850,910	431,130	2,498,573	2,526,273
BELIZE	396,086	621,788	29,707	63,165	-	12,120	29,707	75,285
DOMINICA	226,573	358	1,631,298	1,452,930	651,323	134,586	2,282,621	1,587,516
GRENADA	146,530	150,455	3,034,443	1,888,643	223,936	367,686	3,258,379	2,256,329
GUYANA	1,636,687	3,391,500	4,398,469	4,175,019	74,769	7,496	4,473,238	4,182,515
HAITI	10,735	12,165	70,277	180,588	-	-	70,277	180,588
JAMAICA	2,191,307	1,642,697	4,221,000	3,757,390	232,042	208,674	4,453,042	3,966,064
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	-	-	1,850,607	901,091	175,708	374,479	2,026,315	1,275,570
ST. LUCIA	812,916	663,659	2,245,303	2,374,239	406,603	1,103,115	2,651,906	3,477,354
MONSTERRAT	-	-	176,728	116,765	3,681	-	180,409	116,765
SURINAME	1,741,757	1,490,263	1,256,170	1,133,156	-	-	1,256,170	1,133,156
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	43,260,625	52,566,462	3,385,789	3,996,602	401,460	237,161	3,787,249	4,233,763
ST. VINCENT	1,087,033	902,845	2,236,466	1,450,918	981,237	394,603	3,217,703	1,845,521
CARICOM TOTAL *	51,515,775	61,467,674	26,183,920	23,585,649	4,001,669	3,271,050	30,185,589	26,856,699
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	2,278,578	1,742,799	12,822,508	10,279,729	3,293,398	2,805,599	16,115,906	13,085,328

CARICOM IMPORTS
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

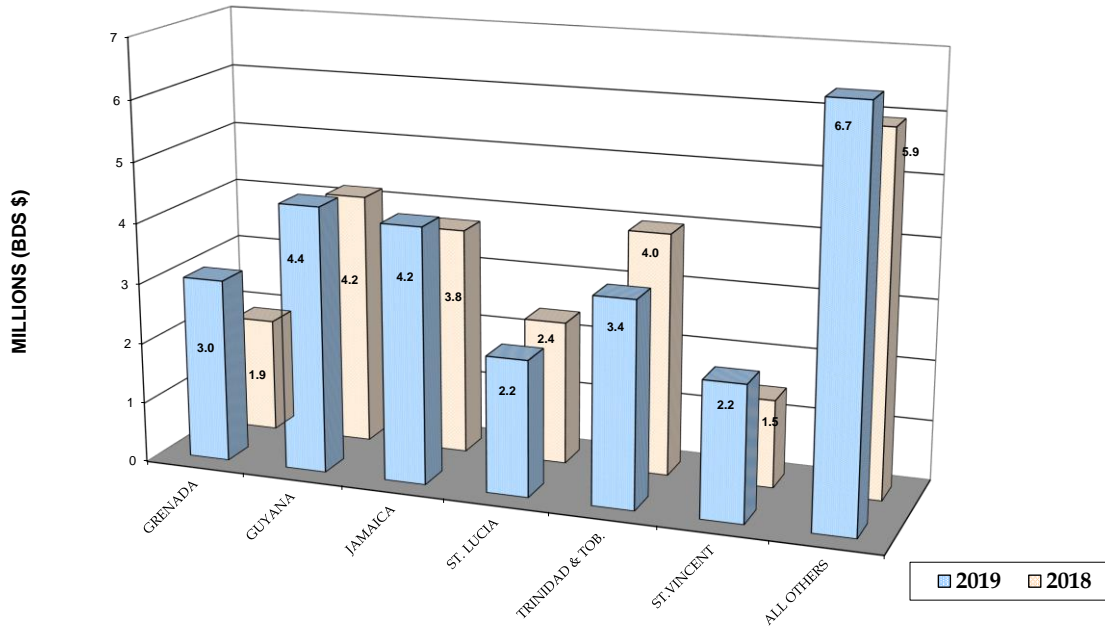


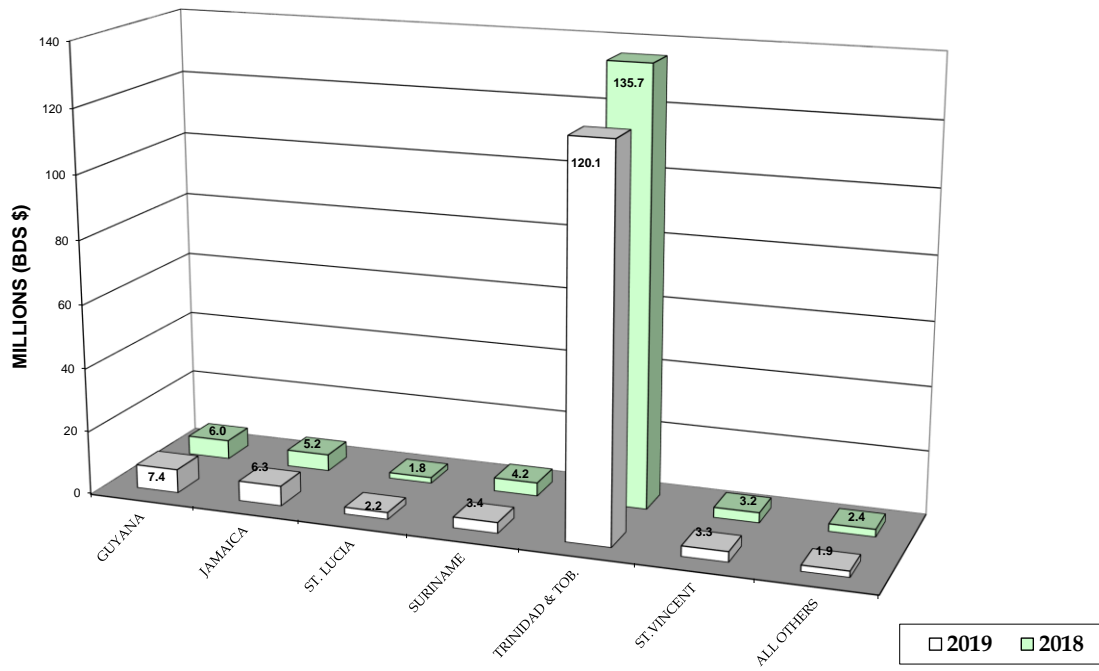
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VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2018

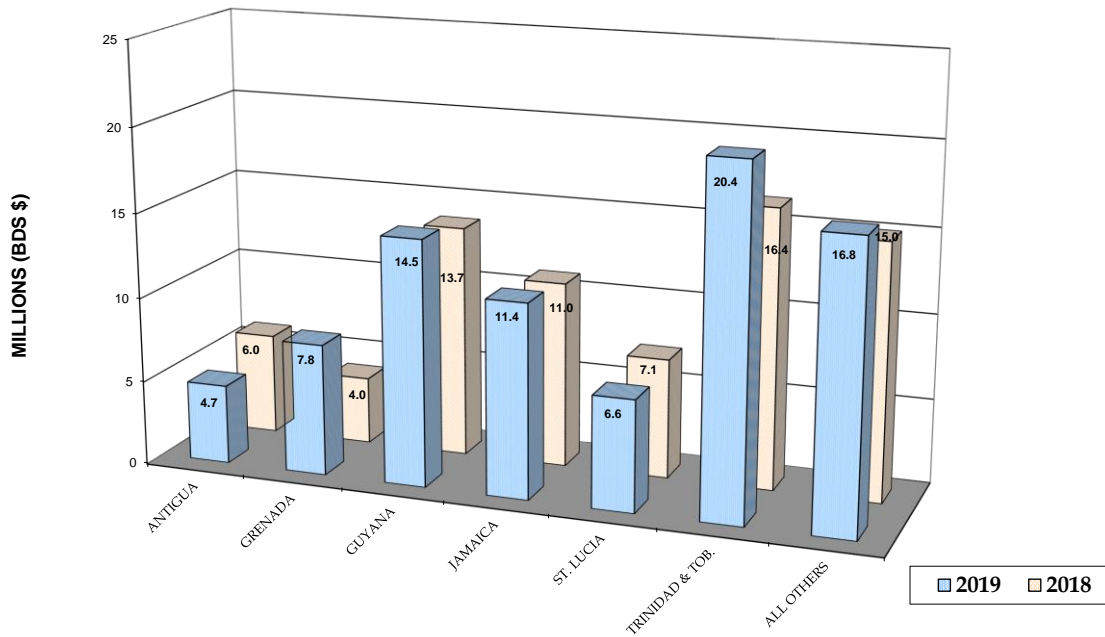
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COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
ANTIGUA	24,829	216,739	4,671,570	5,972,976	1,879,743	1,820,400	6,551,313	7,793,376
BELIZE	1,272,937	1,655,617	288,609	366,569	42,502	39,996	331,111	406,565
DOMINICA	309,115	105,904	4,456,587	3,529,795	1,357,058	419,714	5,813,645	3,949,509
GRENADA	245,888	370,402	7,765,540	3,964,540	998,457	1,040,089	8,763,997	5,004,629
GUYANA	7,423,152	5,972,388	14,500,577	13,686,267	178,513	687,582	14,679,090	14,373,849
HAITI	68,522	18,237	87,446	451,304	-	50,459	87,446	501,763
JAMAICA	6,251,513	5,222,090	11,445,538	10,955,078	1,311,418	675,633	12,756,956	11,630,711
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	6,236	130	4,244,880	3,616,191	443,464	713,521	4,688,344	4,329,712
ST. LUCIA	2,150,141	1,788,505	6,585,535	7,064,778	1,367,497	2,294,569	7,953,032	9,359,347
MONSTERRAT	9,627	2,026	260,235	141,900	17,536	31,741	277,771	173,641
SURINAME	3,363,685	4,186,957	2,973,696	2,870,994	30	-	2,973,726	2,870,994
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	120,089,084	135,707,979	20,392,787	16,412,903	701,614	813,723	21,094,401	17,226,626
ST. VINCENT	3,288,269	3,182,387	4,521,442	4,070,393	2,231,936	1,164,070	6,753,378	5,234,463
CARICOM TOTAL *	144,502,998	158,429,361	82,194,442	73,103,688	10,529,768	9,751,497	92,724,210	82,855,185
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	6,034,105	5,666,093	32,505,789	28,360,573	8,295,691	7,484,104	40,801,480	35,844,677

CARICOM IMPORTS
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2018



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2018



**PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018**

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2019	2018
IMPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	4,467,680	4,278,852
	098 Edible Products	7,682,482	7,507,857
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	5,774,739	4,300,814
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	67,003,636	63,495,774
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	7,995,201	8,600,230
	642 Articles Of Paper	5,437,140	4,375,927
	764 Telecommunication Equipment	4,444,664	3,170,233
	781 Motor Cars	4,920,370	6,842,782
	782 Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	6,766,115	2,567,272
	893 Articles Of Plastic	5,851,099	4,701,445
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,609,778	1,370,592
	091 Margarine And Shortening	1,831,364	1,793,959
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	8,201,091	6,600,859
	533 Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	2,323,381	1,756,888
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	3,438,548	3,129,600
	661 Lime, Cement	6,440,959	2,949,761
	692 Metal Containers	1,732,764	1,256,816
	772 Electric Switches Fuses	1,357,150	1,289,026
	892 Printed Matter	2,406,046	2,233,885
	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	3,576,333	1,344,942
RE-EXPORTS	112 Alcoholic Beverages	568,667	647,574
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	25,485,380	23,680,512
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,038,557	2,050,600
	781 Motor Cars	318,175	-
	842 Female Clothing Non Knitted	333,662	386,436
	845 Articles Of Apparel	303,618	161,053
	848 Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	255,516	46,755
	851 Footwear	334,730	423,272
	885 Watches And Clocks	405,844	517,519
	897 Jewellery	2,256,543	4,231,465

**SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018**

TABLE 9

COMMODITY	SITC CODE	(BDS \$)			
		<u>2019</u>	%	<u>2018</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	120,000	0.3	-	0.0
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	1,831,364	3.9	1,793,959	4.6
RUM	112.441/449	7,592,979	16.0	5,791,781	15.0
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	2,323,381	4.9	1,756,888	4.5
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	3,440,603	7.3	3,131,812	8.1
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	67,728	0.1	8,995	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	1,077,117	2.3	1,353,250	3.5
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	452,669	1.0	274,868	0.7
CEMENT	661.222	6,431,348	13.6	2,942,520	7.6
METAL CONTAINERS	692	1,732,764	3.7	1,256,816	3.2
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	3,706	0.0	117,842	0.3
CLOTHING	841-848	19,172	0.0	32,119	0.1
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		25,092,831	52.9	18,460,850	47.7
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	1,349,584	2.8	1,295,055	3.3
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		20,948,286	44.2	18,931,146	48.9
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		47,390,701	100.0	38,687,051	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles

**SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2018**

TABLE 10

(BDS \$)					
COMMODITY	SITC CODE	JANUARY - MARCH			
		<u>2019</u>	%	<u>2018</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	120,020	0.1	-	0.0
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	4,846,475	3.5	4,780,228	3.9
RUM	112.441/449	20,896,446	15.0	20,175,565	16.4
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	4,742,882	3.4	4,981,176	4.1
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	9,459,582	6.8	9,528,608	7.8
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	115,421	0.1	26,418	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	3,755,144	2.7	4,187,420	3.4
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	1,516,753	1.1	983,455	0.8
CEMENT	661.222	15,100,728	10.8	10,676,299	8.7
METAL CONTAINERS	692	3,845,532	2.8	3,497,918	2.8
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	233,373	0.2	157,567	0.1
CLOTHING	841-848	33,447	0.0	64,883	0.1
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		64,665,803	46.4	59,059,537	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	3,695,799	2.7	3,413,308	2.8
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		70,882,090	50.9	60,375,094	49.1
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		139,243,692	100.0	122,847,939	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles

MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2019	2018
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	5,251,438	4,661,818
	054	Vegetables Fresh/ Chilled,Frozen,Dry	5,732,774	5,462,097
	057	Fruits And Nuts Fresh/Dry	6,389,272	5,625,829
	098	Edible Products	11,161,167	11,437,611
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	6,185,252	7,355,132
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	6,232,042	7,495,733
	642	Articles Of Paper	8,127,692	5,960,996
	752	Data Processing Machines	6,065,568	3,450,680
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	5,247,505	3,553,387
	893	Articles Of Plastic	6,295,949	7,664,071
TRINIDAD & TOB.	034	Fish Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	1,577,106	677,484
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	3,753,357	3,706,480
	058	Fruits Prep.,Preserved	1,249,652	794,861
	098	Edible Products	2,641,496	2,996,355
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	4,042,272	3,987,911
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,207,159	1,014,977
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	87,040,201	100,289,448
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	1,834,624	-
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	1,820,004	2,357,273
	642	Articles Of Paper	3,327,609	3,050,145
NETHERLANDS	022	Milk And Cream	861,411	329,479
	054	Vegetables Fresh/ Chilled,Frozen,Dry	2,011,219	1,264,513
	056	Vegetables/Roots Prep., Preserved	675,133	329,799
	292	Crude Vegetable Materials	163,898	123,146
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	43,957,101	6,678,316
	522	Inorganic Chemical Elements	159,590	28,304
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	277,825	302,911
	597	Prep. Additives For Mineral Oils	298,164	149,428
	687	Tin	1,203,881	1,042,105
	724	Textile Leather Machinery	316,349	-
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres,Cases	1,394,647	1,445,483
	752	Data Processing Machines	2,052,244	2,907,549
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	3,096,719	2,662,852
	771	Electric Power Machines	1,059,850	269,504
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	1,224,753	1,367,431
	775	Household Type Equipment	1,283,482	1,241,825
	821	Furniture And Parts	1,689,055	1,061,256
	851	Footwear	1,155,594	1,164,375
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,851,250	1,561,649
	897	Jewellery	1,627,058	1,501,093
UNITED KINGDOM	012	Other Meat Fresh, Chilled	1,081,866	323,309
	024	Cheese And Curd	1,877,912	1,592,957
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,248,508	682,305
	061	Sugar, Molasses, Honey	1,029,601	1,595,122
	073	Chocolate And Preparations Of Cocoa	996,816	888,243
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	2,282,996	1,646,240
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,763,884	2,635,743
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	1,217,940	646,932
	791	Railway Vehicles	2,986,130	-
	892	Printed Matter	1,742,736	447,294

MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2018

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2019	2018
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	751,737	848,049
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	10,608,551	9,870,979
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	579,905	471,661
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	1,155,325	201,486
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	2,468,411	2,307,549
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	572,000	-
	793	Ships And Boats	3,943,270	-
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	1,316,100	1,234,104
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	1,634,201	1,450,902
	971	Non-Monetary Gold	418,972	460,786
GUYANA	017	Meat Prepared	221,808	109,832
	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	666,882	638,689
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	567,364	492,783
	059	Fruit Juices	216,179	246,771
	091	Margarine And Shortening	404,602	216,493
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	829,887	812,123
	642	Articles Of Paper	319,802	165,274
	661	Lime, Cement	9,430,308	8,492,498
	892	Printed Matter	758,376	573,423
	893	Articles Of Plastic	247,596	542,538
JAMAICA	017	Meat Prepared	318,536	159,084
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	379,943	335,354
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,016,237	948,293
	091	Margarine And Shortening	218,526	209,170
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	175,780	197,520
	512	Alcohols, Phenols	1,662,429	552,886
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,362,756	2,360,909
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	475,373	335,603
	692	Metal Containers	2,897,684	2,397,864
	892	Printed Matter	1,440,453	2,079,348
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	597,754	629,221
	091	Margarine And Shortening	2,138,344	2,463,161
	098	Edible Products	173,368	213,381
	333	Petroleum Crude	10,861,615	7,558,591
	335	Residual Petroleum Products	1,794,260	-
	421	Fixed Vegetable Oils And Fat, Soft	367,621	373,878
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,342,010	1,510,118
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	978,989	1,027,982
	692	Metal Containers	554,325	876,868
	892	Printed Matter	462,589	382,784
GRENADA	001	Live Animals For Food	371,916	109,030
	059	Fruit Juices	172,794	142,409
	081	Feeding Stuff, Animals	599,025	727,034
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	219,501	162,336
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	650,485	569,285
	582	Plates, Film, Foil Of Plastic	177,225	83,200
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	229,314	240,580
	661	Lime, Cement	2,122,297	275,258
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	1,631,232	4,920
	813	Light Fixtures,Fittings	268,582	195,000

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2018

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2019	2018
SHIP STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	72,618,352	73,065,742
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,337,757	817,714
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	2,569,795	6,916,040
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	616,318	1,107,295
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	728,466	701,434
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	972,289	769,001
	845	Articles Of Apparel	1,080,522	489,085
	851	Footwear	844,857	1,304,738
	885	Watches And Clocks	1,611,799	4,860,475
	894	Toys Games, Baby Carriages	398,953	238,388
UNITED STATES	897	Jewellery	6,047,203	16,510,183
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	95,977	18,681
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	151,314	60,910
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	737,686	677,205
	562	Fertilizers, Manufactured	41,842	-
	641	Paper And Paper Products	55,636	50,590
	782	Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	236,010	73,589
	872	Medical Appliances	39,875	39,098
	885	Watches And Clocks	151,285	27,255
	897	Jewellery	340,700	1,298
ST.VINCENT	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	76,900	1,500
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	46,153	43,379
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	71,560	21,329
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	53,345	80,824
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,181,893	1,193,340
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	75,630	2,082
	642	Articles Of Paper	42,380	14,802
	781	Motor Cars	175,000	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	51,109	63,572
	872	Medical Appliances	83,316	73,266
ANTIGUA	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	21,476	16,603
	037	Fish, Crustaceans	28,540	-
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	136,826	9,007
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	703,986	222,325
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	51,284	39,364
	642	Articles Of Paper	27,448	436
	751	Office Machines	57,400	34,278
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	135,012	10,016
	872	Medical Appliances	53,314	3,087
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	37,896	212
DOMINICA	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	37,896	212
	893	Articles Of Plastic	30,941	839

PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
JANUARY - MARCH 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2018

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2019	2018
IMPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	12,908,927	10,781,644
	098 Edible Products	21,164,258	22,139,890
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	14,676,681	13,331,961
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	179,817,288	175,306,467
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	20,970,835	23,442,485
	642 Articles Of Paper	14,228,429	11,481,225
	781 Motor Cars	19,559,421	21,517,053
	782 Goods And Special Purpose M.V.	16,936,524	13,308,659
	893 Articles Of Plastic	14,203,438	16,072,770
	897 Jewellery	10,372,949	9,835,185
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	4,537,752	4,377,383
	091 Margarine And Shortening	4,846,475	4,780,228
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	22,692,424	22,130,918
	333 Petroleum Crude	10,861,615	7,558,591
	533 Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	4,742,882	4,981,176
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	9,432,022	9,500,910
	661 Lime, Cement	15,122,271	10,704,872
	793 Ships And Boats	4,050,070	103,249
	892 Printed Matter	6,174,872	7,254,216
	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	8,709,047	6,977,944
RE-EXPORTS	112 Alcoholic Beverages	3,256,125	2,841,048
	122 Tobacco Manufactured	933,091	1,710,881
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	72,618,352	73,066,022
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	4,962,626	5,690,058
	553 Perfumery, Cosmetics	2,735,071	7,033,842
	842 Female Clothing Non Knitted	1,248,877	1,080,903
	845 Articles Of Apparel	1,214,976	745,669
	851 Footwear	946,287	1,453,052
	885 Watches And Clocks	2,953,131	5,420,400
	897 Jewellery	6,543,900	17,462,034