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REVIEW OF OVERSEAS TRADE

During the month of September 2019, total imports to Barbados were valued at \$187.2 million, whilst total exports from Barbados were valued at \$53.5 million. This resulted in a visible trade deficit of \$133.7 million, as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$150.8 for September 2018.

Imports for September 2019 were \$36.1 million less than imports for September 2018, a decrease of 16.2%. Total exports decreased by \$19.1 million or 26.3% of the September 2018 figure. Domestic exports decreased by \$3.1 million or 8.5% over September 2018, while the value of re-exports decreased by \$22.2 million or 61.0% over the corresponding period 2018.

CARICOM TRADE

During the month of September 2019, total imports from CARICOM countries were valued at \$31.1 million, whilst total exports to CARICOM were valued at \$25.2 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$5.9 million as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$25.2 million for September 2018.

Total CARICOM imports for September 2019 were \$18.0 million less than CARICOM imports for September 2018, a decrease of 36.6%. Total exports to CARICOM for September 2019 were \$1.4 million more than total exports for September 2018, an increase of 5.7%. Domestic exports increased by \$3.8 million or 18.9% over September 2018. The value of re-exports decreased by some \$2.5 million, or 66.7%, over the September 2018 figure.

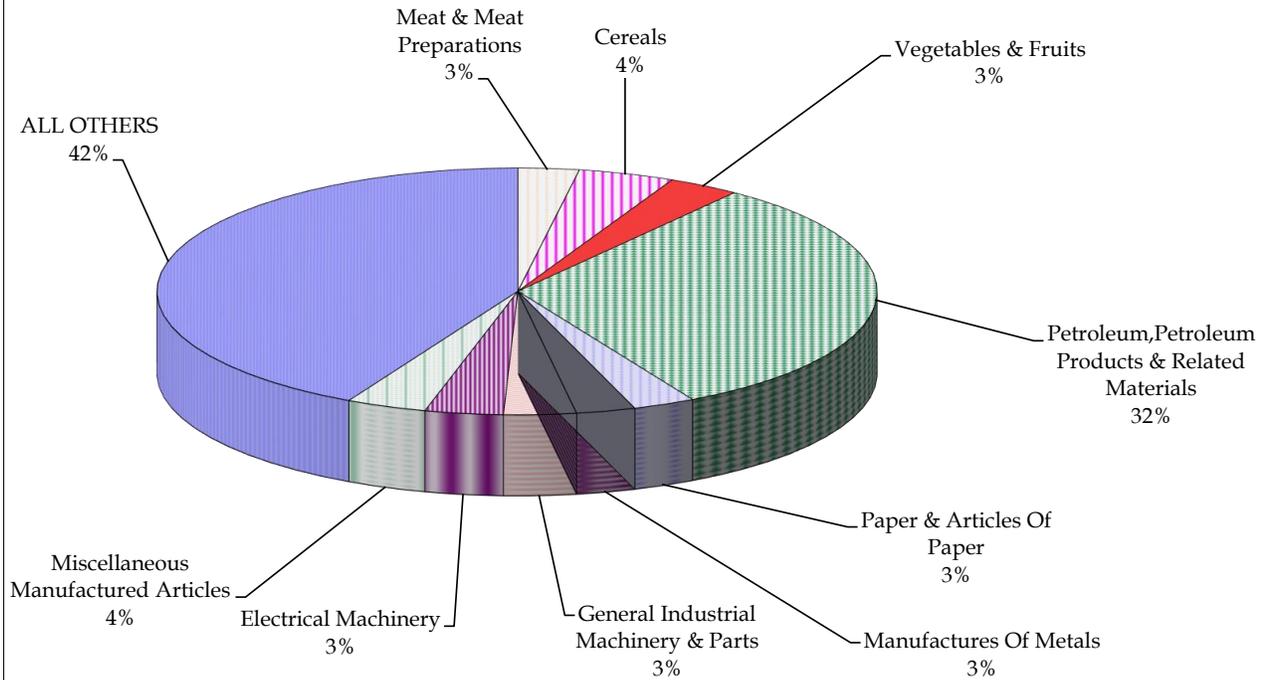
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
SEPTEMBER 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018**

TABLE 1

S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			<u>2019*</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019*</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019*</u>	<u>2018</u>
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	37,303,402	39,721,814	6,046,033	5,314,758	66,804	119,496	6,112,837	5,434,254
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	3,410,742	7,360,847	8,823,764	7,183,080	-	1,617,669	8,823,764	8,800,749
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	6,760,716	6,369,221	746,154	515,826	10,423	605	756,577	516,431
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	60,938,113	43,444,672	978,809	2,214	12,670,575	12,391,329	13,649,384	12,393,543
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	948,143	1,475,056	329,952	492,684	125	-	330,077	492,684
5 CHEMICALS	15,253,809	24,013,182	5,387,721	6,414,467	528,784	2,994,510	5,916,505	9,408,977
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	21,068,052	26,460,785	8,595,103	6,969,380	194,394	1,140,814	8,789,497	8,110,194
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	26,067,416	44,502,779	1,019,103	2,174,605	269,025	200,883	1,288,128	2,375,488
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	15,002,750	29,204,954	7,006,160	6,854,134	446,201	17,876,372	7,452,361	24,730,506
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	512,113	832,578	398,394	328,696	-	30,388	398,394	359,084
TOTAL*	187,265,256	223,385,888	39,331,193	36,249,844	14,186,331	36,372,066	53,517,524	72,621,910

(BDS \$)

Principal Imports - September 2019



Principal Domestic Exports - September 2019

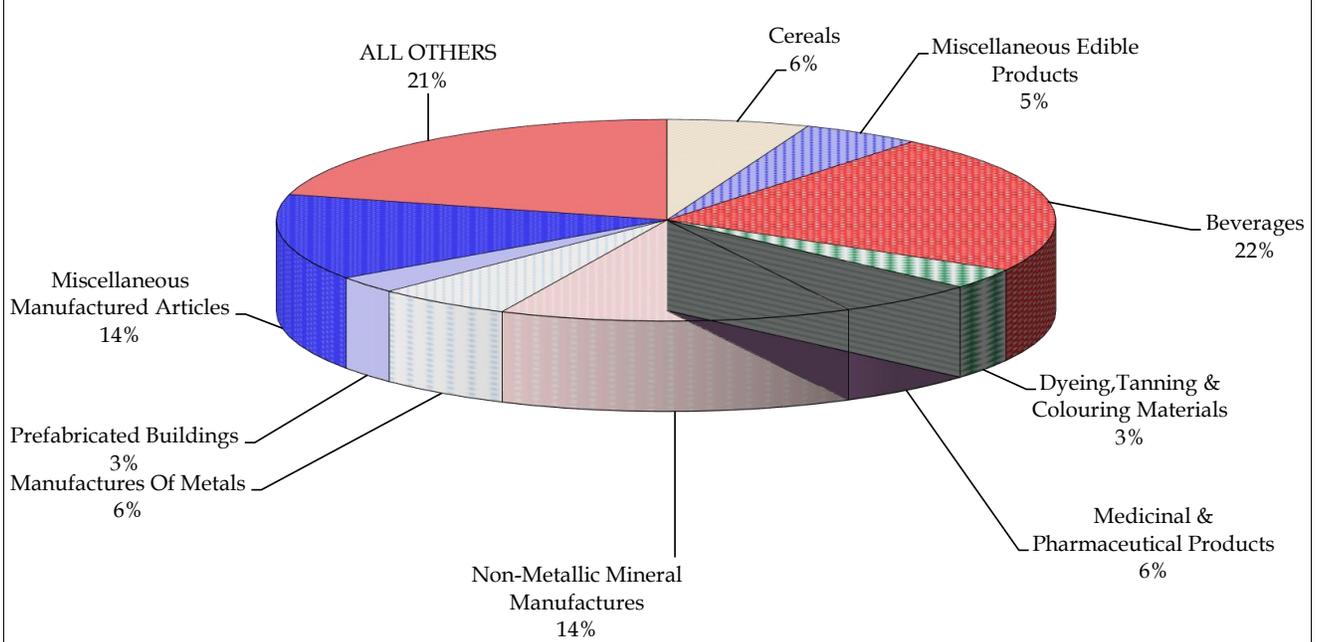


TABLE 3

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

(BDS \$)

COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
UNITED KINGDOM	5,039,800	7,786,146	539,209	1,181,571	-	110,750	539,209	1,292,321
CANADA	10,425,618	4,127,868	2,096,747	2,153,177	179,990	19,713	2,276,737	2,172,890
UNITED STATES	61,659,707	80,314,624	4,441,286	6,248,788	17,923	18,271,998	4,459,209	24,520,786
CARICOM *	31,116,095	49,066,130	23,994,605	20,178,668	1,222,842	3,673,858	25,217,447	23,852,526
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	1,215,259	1,763,033	9,491,649	9,105,867	1,199,581	2,552,069	10,691,230	11,657,936
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	3,243	5,947	670,014	1,003,313	47,033	372,977	717,047	1,376,290
PUERTO RICO	5,781,898	10,529,332	8,172	45,947	-	-	8,172	45,947
VENEZUELA	171	760	480	30	-	-	480	30
JAPAN	2,638,310	4,840,875	5,000	1,270	-	-	5,000	1,270
GERMANY	2,360,578	2,650,350	270,497	7,840	-	-	270,497	7,840
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	68,221,008	64,063,057	7,305,183	5,429,240	48,028	1,535,047	7,353,211	6,964,287
STORES/BUNKERS *	-	799	-	-	12,670,515	12,387,723	12,670,515	12,387,723
TOTAL *	187,246,428	223,385,888	39,331,193	36,249,844	14,186,331	36,372,066	53,517,524	72,621,910

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

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2019	2018
UNITED STATES	041	Wheat Unmilled	1,506,741	1,636,132
	044	Maize Unmilled	2,444,411	2,209,788
	098	Edible Products	1,628,400	3,057,506
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	3,682,819	3,857,317
	248	Wood Simply Worked	2,116,154	768,031
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	3,015,978	647,164
	642	Articles Of Paper	2,215,338	1,834,138
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	1,288,998	1,448,834
	872	Medical Appliances	2,027,909	984,908
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,547,850	2,206,349
NETHERLANDS	012	Other Meat Fresh, Chilled	92,358	-
	054	Vegetables Fresh/Chilled,Frozen,Dry	382,355	689,638
	056	Vegetables/Roots Prep., Preserved	193,645	257,642
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	25,623,583	213,794
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	154,785	-
	562	Fertilizers, Manufactured	55,000	-
	574	Polyacetate Expoxide Primary	299,716	-
	687	Tin	177,474	446,885
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	340,485	-
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	272,806	550
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	876,490	1,200,855
	098	Edible Products	314,138	1,116,489
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1,316,898	1,267,118
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	326,055	230,815
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	17,668,728	30,781,249
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	507,850	1,771,548
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	441,028	340,305
	642	Articles Of Paper	989,407	1,187,955
	773	Electric Dist Equipment	334,351	214,809
	893	Articles Of Plastic	482,858	455,594
CANADA	012	Other Meat Fresh, Chilled	411,097	348,113
	035	Fish Salted, Dried, Smoked	235,804	109,857
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	103,035	92,703
	056	Vegetables/Roots Prep., Preserved	338,804	137,178
	098	Edible Products	217,875	345,427
	248	Wood Simply Worked	116,263	102,074
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	6,199,678	-
	581	Tubes, Pipes, Hoses Of Plastic	1,060,330	-
	582	Plates, Film, Foil Of Plastic	100,860	67,536
	752	Data Processing Machines	97,418	929
CHINA, PEO.REP.	642	Articles Of Paper	512,281	178,214
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	528,443	589,611
	727	Food Processing Machinery	246,796	-
	752	Data Processing Machines	837,159	818,990
	761	Television Receivers	312,924	490,161
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	882,039	121,748
	775	Household Type Equipment	325,202	634,548
	821	Furniture And Parts	410,848	452,609
	851	Footwear	301,301	189,199
	893	Articles Of Plastic	417,154	703,097

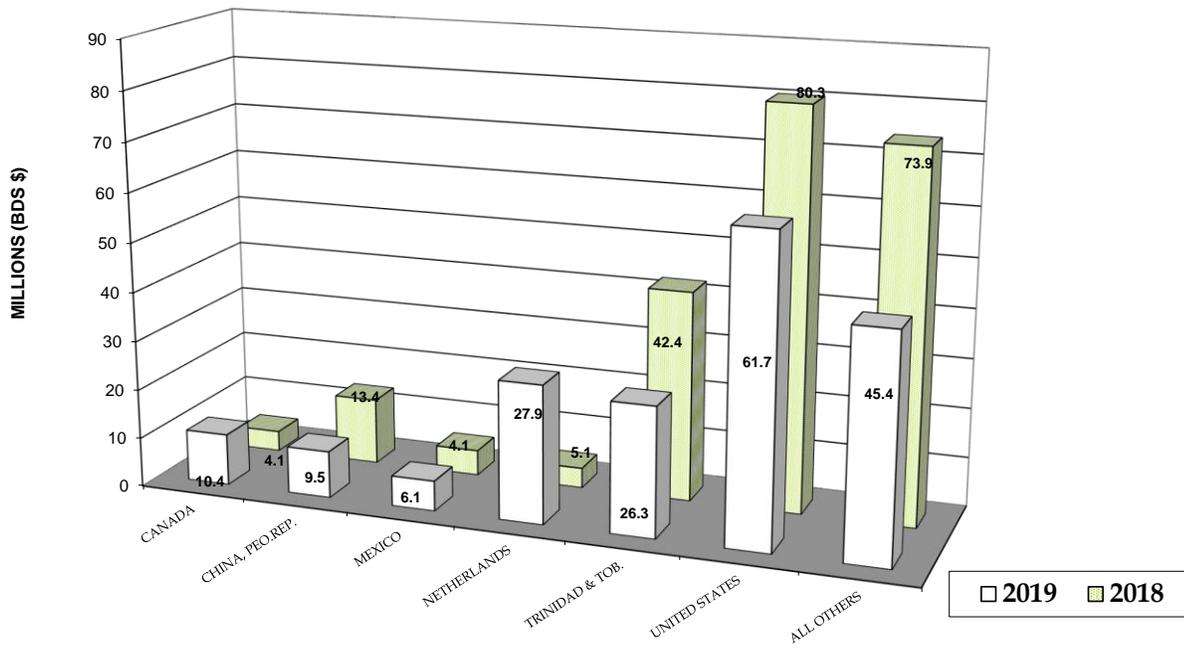
MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
SEPTEMBER 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2019	2018
GUYANA	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	259,463	182,091
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	247,822	179,259
	059	Fruit Juices	81,043	55,454
	091	Margarine And Shortening	203,934	-
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	145,336	-
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	240,214	85,823
	642	Articles Of Paper	150,082	36,794
	661	Lime, Cement	2,849,624	2,242,299
	892	Printed Matter	377,203	427,186
	893	Articles Of Plastic	146,346	326,965
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	369,012	185,646
	098	Edible Products	51,619	94,497
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	2,533,505	2,886,676
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	53,635	93,511
	692	Metal Containers	147,930	13,320
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	60,022	60,055
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	215,853	944,293
	792	Aircraft; Spacecraft	99,356	-
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	353,247	353,411
	971	Non-Monetary Gold	227,617	-
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	307,096	174,839
	091	Margarine And Shortening	971,704	620,658
	098	Edible Products	65,449	13,577
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	279,777	282,700
	335	Residual Petroleum Products	902,200	-
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	621,717	238,427
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	209,648	4,120
	692	Metal Containers	395,614	563,945
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	87,159	442
	892	Printed Matter	81,785	83,667
JAMAICA	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	95,202	55,902
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	359,040	312,398
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	145,456	143,624
	512	Alcohols, Phenols	296,767	229,470
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	72,431	256,880
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	783,644	544,230
	591	Disinfectants, Insecticides	219,268	104,838
	692	Metal Containers	670,340	421,488
	892	Printed Matter	656,332	747,155
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	69,988	270
HONG KONG	282	Ferrous Waste And Scrap	28,000	-
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	2,597,326	923,210

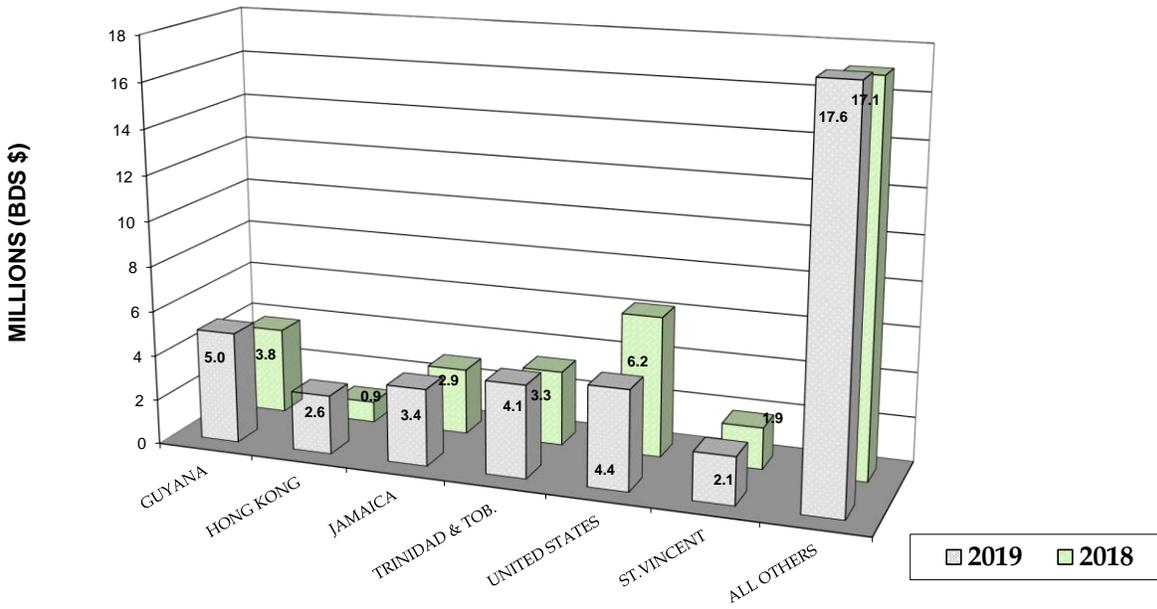
MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
 SEPTEMBER 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)		
			2019	2018	
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	12,670,515	12,387,723	
	061	Sugar, Molasses, Honey	52,382	-	
	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	20,800	39,807	
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	86,906	271,637	
	ST. LUCIA	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	13,536	42,541
		641	Paper And Paper Products	44,253	32,972
		642	Articles Of Paper	30,175	75
		713	Internal Combustion Engines	28,409	-
		751	Office Machines	16,000	-
		848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	141,052	-
893		Articles Of Plastic	16,738	2,130	
248		Wood Simply Worked	10,423	-	
541		Medicinal Pharmacy Products	23,252	-	
542		Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	38,198	1,020	
DOMINICA	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	36,231	-	
	582	Plates, Film, Foil Of Plastic	4,244	-	
	634	Veneers, Plywood	5,602	-	
	694	Nails, Screws, Nuts, Bolts	10,771	-	
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	99,273	-	
	872	Medical Appliances	46,647	519	
	893	Articles Of Plastic	15,617	-	
	CANADA	752	Data Processing Machines	179,990	-
		098	Edible Products	13,500	-
		533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	2,271	-
ST.VINCENT	541	Medicinal Pharmacy Products	4,617	101,586	
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	84,895	400,002	
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	15,412	-	
	582	Plates, Film, Foil Of Plastic	5,172	-	
	641	Paper And Paper Products	2,310	3,593	
	657	Special Yarns, Textile Fabrics	7,672	-	
	665	Glassware	12,572	-	
	784	Motor Vehicle Parts	14,325	-	

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



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



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

TABLE 5

(BDS \$)

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	5,716,022	7,480,522	5,353,111	4,585,851	66,804	27,304	5,419,915	4,613,155
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	2,315,626	3,338,347	1,271,908	1,224,801	-	1,017,147	1,271,908	2,241,948
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	184,298	230,021	245,972	69,921	10,423	-	256,395	69,921
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	18,381,450	32,552,797	978,809	2,214	-	720	978,809	2,934
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	15,977	16,135	329,162	491,484	-	-	329,162	491,484
5 CHEMICALS	1,228,713	1,245,226	4,660,756	5,416,359	484,780	1,976,649	5,145,536	7,393,008
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	1,892,570	2,142,390	7,905,415	5,524,665	194,394	290,458	8,099,809	5,815,123
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	372,145	345,230	185,287	526,767	66,288	79,065	251,575	605,832
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	992,096	1,670,007	2,964,713	2,266,640	400,153	272,815	3,364,866	2,539,455
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	17,198	45,455	99,472	69,966	-	9,700	99,472	79,666
TOTAL *	31,116,095	49,066,130	23,994,605	20,178,668	1,222,842	3,673,858	25,217,447	23,852,526

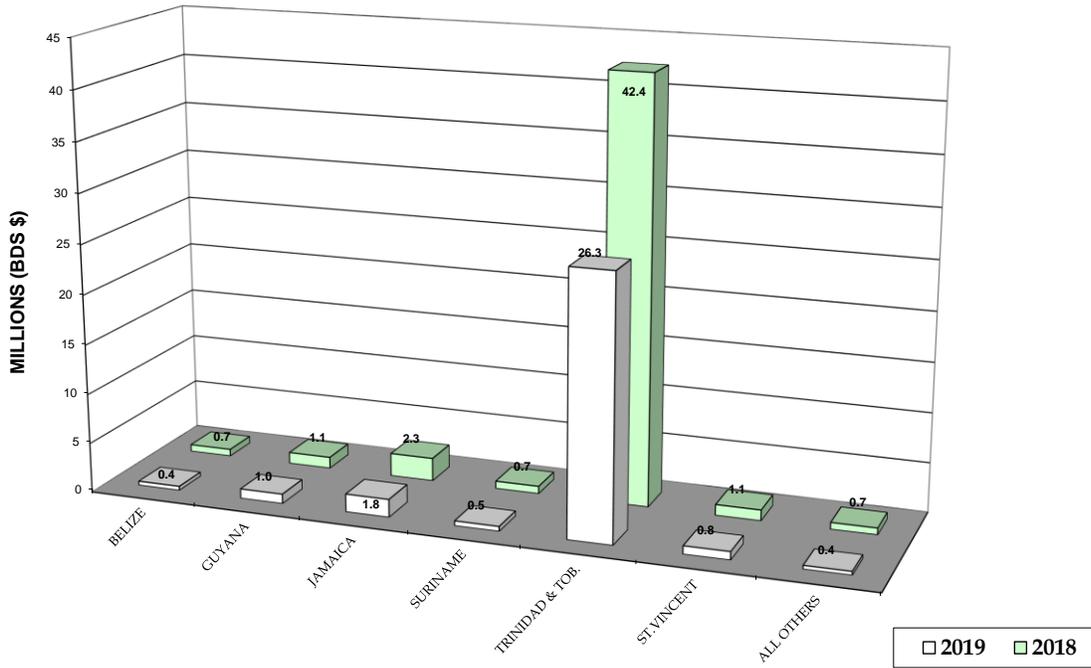
TABLE 7

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

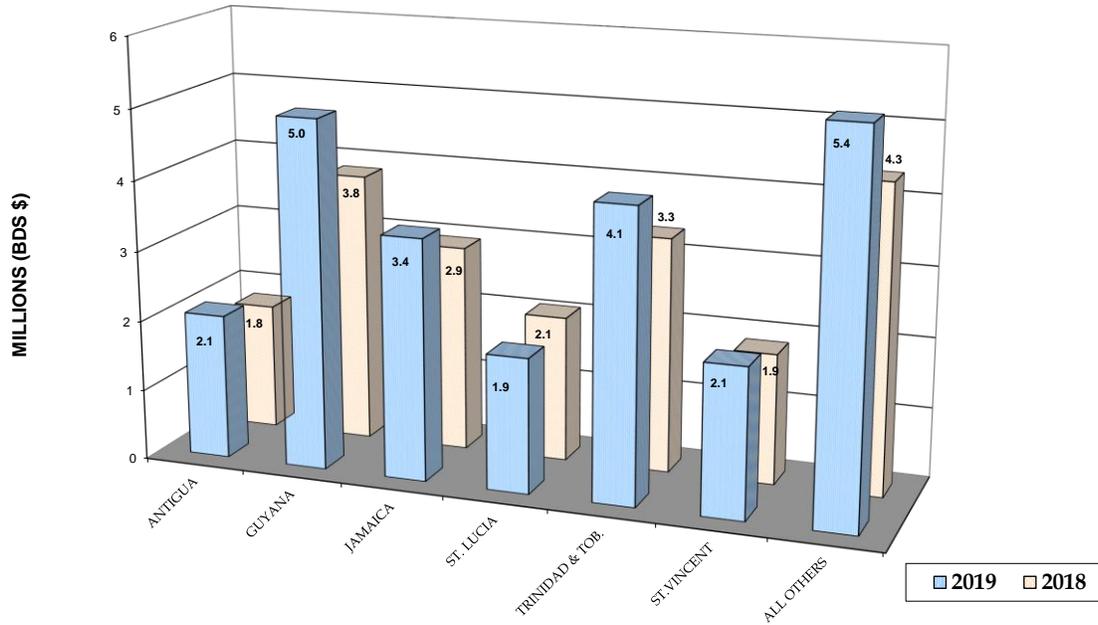
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COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018	2019*	2018
ANTIGUA	-	41,089	2,057,616	1,800,476	39,566	594,342	2,097,182	2,394,818
BELIZE	408,644	700,276	513,084	139,548	-	563	513,084	140,111
DOMINICA	3,573	122,197	1,581,651	1,022,638	304,661	7,516	1,886,312	1,030,154
GRENADA	10,334	64,970	736,842	1,338,375	136,467	273,203	873,309	1,611,578
GUYANA	959,927	1,136,164	4,952,917	3,842,745	17,989	47,776	4,970,906	3,890,521
HAITI	402	32	71,596	624	-	-	71,596	624
JAMAICA	1,794,873	2,325,127	3,427,990	2,935,535	4,370	967,171	3,432,360	3,902,706
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	-	359	1,074,773	956,938	59,167	174,898	1,133,940	1,131,836
ST. LUCIA	357,704	456,524	1,915,703	2,068,494	488,898	693,994	2,404,601	2,762,488
MONSTERRAT	-	-	6,234	65,244	2,983	9,105	9,217	74,349
SURINAME	484,744	747,144	1,414,464	822,143	-	-	1,414,464	822,143
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	26,252,246	42,394,354	4,122,905	3,332,206	902	106,279	4,123,807	3,438,485
ST. VINCENT	843,648	1,077,894	2,118,830	1,853,702	167,839	799,011	2,286,669	2,652,713
CARICOM TOTAL *	31,116,095	49,066,130	23,994,605	20,178,668	1,222,842	3,673,858	25,217,447	23,852,526
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	1,215,259	1,763,033	9,491,649	9,105,867	1,199,581	2,552,069	10,691,230	11,657,936

CARICOM IMPORTS
SEPTEMBER 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
SEPTEMBER 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018



PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
 SEPTEMBER 2019 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2018

SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
		2019	2018
IMPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	2,777,597	3,255,689
	061 Sugar, Molasses, Honey	3,460,406	1,398,119
	098 Edible Products	4,796,203	7,400,849
	111 Non-Alcoholic Beverages	2,608,299	2,632,771
	222 Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	3,683,379	3,860,744
	248 Wood Simply Worked	2,621,892	1,518,061
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	58,138,572	41,108,701
	642 Articles Of Paper	4,242,093	3,930,207
	772 Electric Switches Fuses	2,604,825	1,293,984
	893 Articles Of Plastic	3,680,983	5,539,577
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048 Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,764,437	1,413,850
	091 Margarine And Shortening	1,722,683	1,222,707
	112 Alcoholic Beverages	8,758,514	7,010,446
	533 Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	1,277,380	1,753,513
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,280,620	2,876,105
	661 Lime, Cement	3,491,404	3,266,919
	663 Mineral Manufactures	2,204,234	85,800
	692 Metal Containers	1,213,884	1,034,858
	892 Printed Matter	2,248,938	3,170,166
	899 Misc. Manufactured Articles	2,730,352	1,646,754
RE-EXPORTS	061 Sugar, Molasses, Honey	52,382	-
	334 Petroleum Products Refined	12,670,515	12,390,609
	541 Medicinal Pharmacy Products	78,464	230,440
	542 Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	322,743	1,950,720
	554 Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	82,430	66,514
	641 Paper And Paper Products	48,682	43,356
	665 Glassware	60,688	133,225
	752 Data Processing Machines	179,990	448
	848 Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	294,845	118,517
	872 Medical Appliances	71,178	83,332

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

TABLE 9

COMMODITY	SITC CODE	(BDS \$)			
		<u>2019</u>	%	<u>2018</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	80,000	0.2	120,104	0.3
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	1,722,683	4.4	1,222,707	3.4
RUM	112.441/449	7,229,420	18.4	5,773,557	15.9
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	1,277,380	3.2	1,753,513	4.8
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	2,284,075	5.8	2,894,307	8.0
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	4,557	0.0	9,855	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	1,061,301	2.7	1,167,135	3.2
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	416,642	1.1	426,377	1.2
CEMENT	661.222	3,490,240	8.9	3,163,429	8.7
METAL CONTAINERS	692	1,213,884	3.1	1,034,858	2.9
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	90,822	0.2	17,064	0.0
CLOTHING	841-848	29,915	0.1	12,858	0.0
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		18,900,919	48.1	17,595,764	48.5
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	413,641	1.1	1,378,259	3.8
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		20,016,633	50.9	17,275,821	47.7
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		39,331,193	100.0	36,249,844	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles