



Anguilla: International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary 4th Quarter October – December 2004

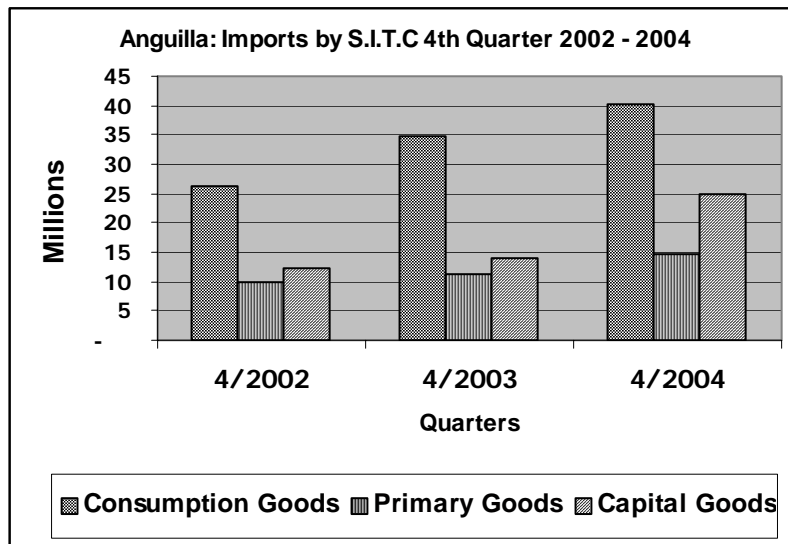
Imports for the 4th quarter 2004 increased 32.9 percent when compared to the same period in 2003. Capital Goods had the largest percentage increase of 77.6 percent for this quarter, followed by Primary Goods with 30.0 percent and Consumption Goods with 15.8 percent over the fourth quarter 2003.

Machinery and Transport equipment, Animal and Vegetable Oils & Fats, Chemicals and Related Products were the main contributors to the increase. EC\$79.8 million dollars in goods were imported during this period compared to EC\$60.0 million for the same period in 2004.

The three months included in this quarter, all recorded increases in imports with November recording the largest increase of 47.7 percent followed by December with 29.6 percent and October with 20.5 percent over their respective corresponding 2003 imports.

Some of the primary sources of the increases for these three months were imports of heavy equipment, PVC piping and other plastic fittings, construction materials such as cement, steel, iron, electrical fittings and furniture, oils and fats, beverages, Chemical products and Crude materials (asphalt) and vehicles. The re-vamping of the runway at Wallblake airport and other construction projects contribute to the increases in the import of these commodities during the period under review.

Over the corresponding period (3rd qtr 2003/2004), Capital Goods, which are mainly machinery and transport equipment, had the largest increase in value of goods imported of EC\$10.8 million. Items such as heavy equipment, water-purifying machinery, and telephones (including cell-phones), among other items, attributed to the increase. Both months of October and November 2004 recorded large increases in value of imports by EC\$4.0 million.



The Primary Goods category recorded an increase of 30.0 percent for the quarter October to December 2004. EC\$3.3 million more value in goods was imported over last year's fourth quarter.

All the components within this category recorded increases for this period with Crude materials, inedible except fuel carrying the majority of the increase, which amounted to 38.3 percent over last year figure. Asphalt, wood and stone were the three primary sources of the increase within the crude materials component. Acrylic paints, automotive paints and fertilizers (*which fall under the Chemicals and related products category*) were some of the items contributing to the 40.3 percent increase. Lubricating oils attributed to the 20.4 percent rise in Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials category which can possibly be attributed to the increase imports of vehicles and machinery

Consumption goods for this period recorded a 15.8 percent increase over the fourth quarter of 2004. Animal and Vegetable fats and waxes contributed most to this rise accounting for 62.3 percent caused by the substantial importation of Olive Oils by various tourist establishments. With the tourist season beginning the imports of these products and other food products would have been expected to increase: All other components within the Consumption Goods category also recorded increases for this period

Exports, which include re-exports and domestic exports during October to December 2004 were valued at EC\$7.6 million, a 411.20 percent increase when compared to last year's fourth quarter of EC\$1.5 million. Domestic exports totaled EC\$741,516 for this period, and accounted for 6.6 percent of overall exports. The value of re-exported goods totaled EC\$6.8 million in comparison to EC\$496,566 for the same period last year.

The fourth quarter produced a recorded trade balance of EC\$72.2 million in deficit, a 23.2 percent increase over the same period in 2003, which was mainly due to the significant rise in the level of imports for this period.

This report along with other Trade Data, are available at the Government of Anguilla's website: <http://gov.ai/statistics/external.htm>

Anguilla: Imports by SITC: 4th Qtr 2002 - 2004

| | Category | 4/2002 | 4/2003 | 4/2004 | % change 03/04 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Consumption Goods | 0 Food and Live Animals | 7,022,250 | 7,706,955 | 10,182,050 | 32.1% |
| | 1 Beverages and Tobacco | 4,387,105 | 5,681,612 | 6,349,510 | 11.8% |
| | 4 Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats and Waxes | 133,568 | 150,702 | 244,527 | 62.3% |
| | 6 Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Mat. | 8,346,727 | 12,543,887 | 15,344,858 | 22.3% |
| | 8 Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles | 5,994,093 | 8,697,728 | 8,138,866 | -6.4% |
| | 9 Commodities & Transactions NES | 250,038 | | 819 | |
| | Sub-Total | 26,133,781 | 34,780,884 | 40,260,630 | 15.8% |
| Primary Goods | 2 Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels | 1,855,740 | 1,527,783 | 2,112,408 | 38.3% |
| | 3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials | 3,932,849 | 5,690,024 | 6,851,882 | 20.4% |
| | 5 Chemicals and Related Products NES | 3,995,770 | 4,032,332 | 5,656,633 | 40.3% |
| | Sub-Total | 9,784,359 | 11,250,139 | 14,620,923 | 30.0% |
| Capital Goods | 7 Machinery and Transport Equipment | 12,195,037 | 14,029,577 | 24,910,921 | 77.6% |
| TOTAL | | 48,113,177 | 60,060,600 | 79,792,474 | 32.9% |

**Anguilla: 4th Quarter 2003-2004
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| | 2003 | 2004 | % Change 04/03 |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Imports | 60,060,600 | 79,792,474 | 32.9% |
| Exports | 1,493,099 | 7,632,694 | 411.2% |
| Balance (E-I) | (58,567,501) | (72,159,780) | 23.2% |