



# International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary

## April 2010

### OVERVIEW

April 2010 international merchandise trade statistics showed slumps in both imports and exports when compared to the same period in 2009. Imports totalled EC\$35.5 million, a 21.0% decline over April 2009's imports.

The value of exports, standing at EC\$1.3 million this period, fell 90.3% after a high of EC\$13.7 million in April 2009.

For the period in review, imports in the three SITC<sup>1</sup> categories – Consumption Goods, Capital Goods and Primary Goods all experienced retreating values in imports. As listed, they contributed 65.0%, 24.6% and 10.3% to the total import bill.

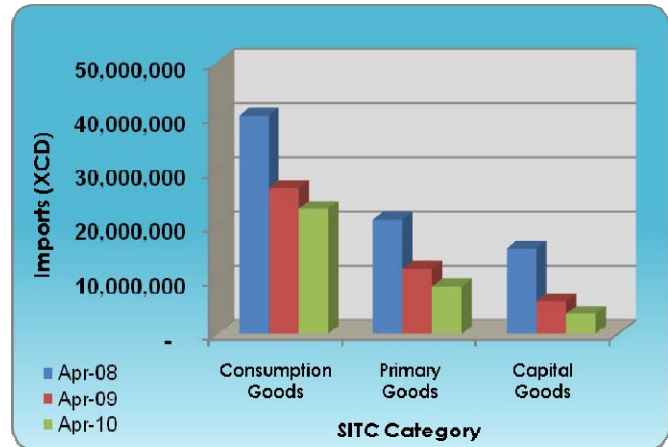


Figure 1: Imports by SITC Categories, April 2008 - 2010

- 1- SITC: Standard Industrial Trade Classification
- 2- XCD or EC\$: Eastern Caribbean Dollar

### CONSUMPTION GOODS

Consumption Goods account for a sizeable portion of imports, that is 65.0% of imports valued at EC\$23.1 million for April 2010.

Food and Live animals rank number one (1) of the six (6) components in this category, in terms of imported value. The value of imports in this component was up 38.6% to EC\$9.2 million. There was a notable increase in the imports of poultry, meat, fish and other sea creatures like lobsters and crabs. Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes also saw an increase in imports up 77.9% to EC\$0.2 million.

All other components experienced declines in the value of imports when compared to the corresponding period in 2009. Beverages and Tobacco fell 14.2% to EC\$3.5 million.

Manufactured Goods by Material was EC\$3.5 million less than the corresponding April 2009 imports, down to EC\$5.7 million.

Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles experienced a 34.3% decrease in the value of imports to EC\$4.5 million for this period.

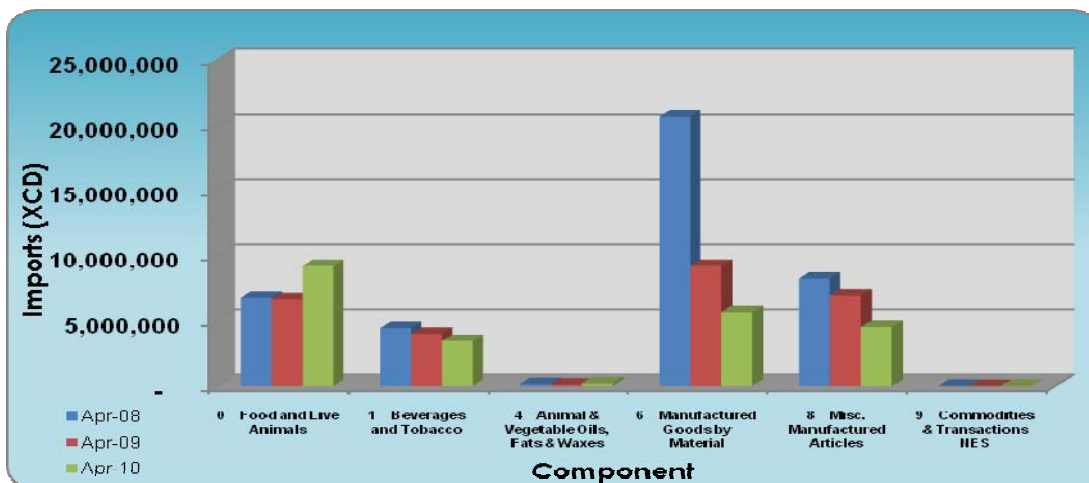


Figure 2: Consumption Goods Imports (XCD) by Component, April 2008 - 2010

**PRIMARY GOODS**

The value of imported Primary Goods was recorded as EC\$8.7 million, a 27.2% decline when compared the same period in 2009.

This category is made up of three components, all of which showed a downward spiral from their April 2009 corresponding figure. Items like dish liquid, glue, LPG and cooking gas saw increases in imports for this period. Conversely, commodities like petroleum jelly and goods used

in construction, repairs and maintenance work like sand, wood and pvc pipes saw lower imports than their matching 2009 figure.

By component, Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels, declined to EC\$0.3 million – a 77.2% fall. Chemicals & Related Products declined 27.3% to EC\$3.0 million. The Mineral Fuels, Lubricants component retreated 15.3% to EC\$5.4 million.

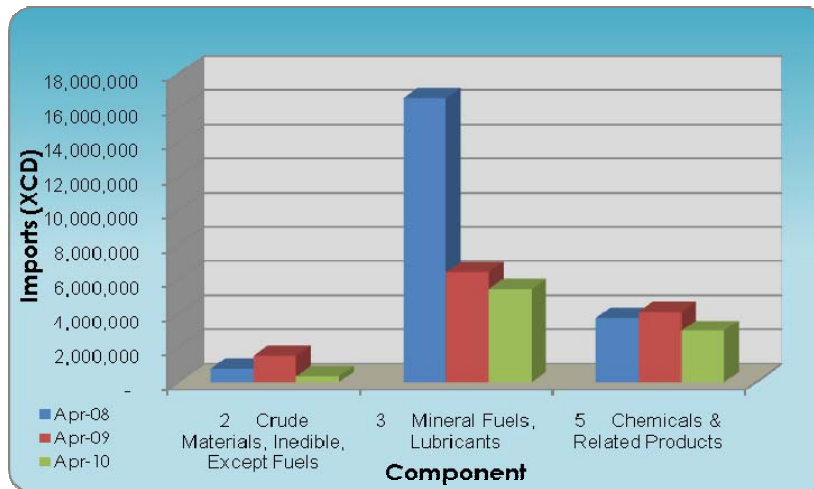


Figure 3: Primary Goods Imports (XCD) by Component, April 2008 - 2010

**CAPITAL GOODS**

The Capital Goods category includes solely commodities that fall in the Machinery and Transport Equipment component. Looking at recent years, the value of imports in this component has been on a decline, with imports falling this period to EC\$3.7 million, down 38.7% from April 2009.

There was a decline in the value of imports of household durables like refrigerators/freezers, telephone sets, microwave ovens and microcomputers.

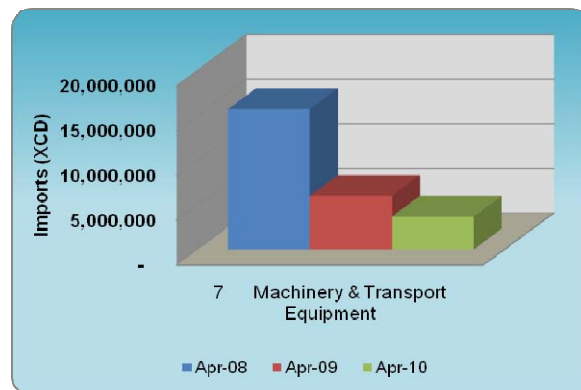


Figure 4: Capital Goods Imports (XCD) by Component, April 2008 - 2010

**EXPORTS**

The value of exports including both re-exports and domestic exports fell to EC\$1.3 million, a 90.3% drop in exports compared to April 2009.

Anguilla’s balance of trade, continued to have a deficit, but contracted slightly compared to

the same period last year to –EC\$34.1 million, as the value of imports to the country is down.

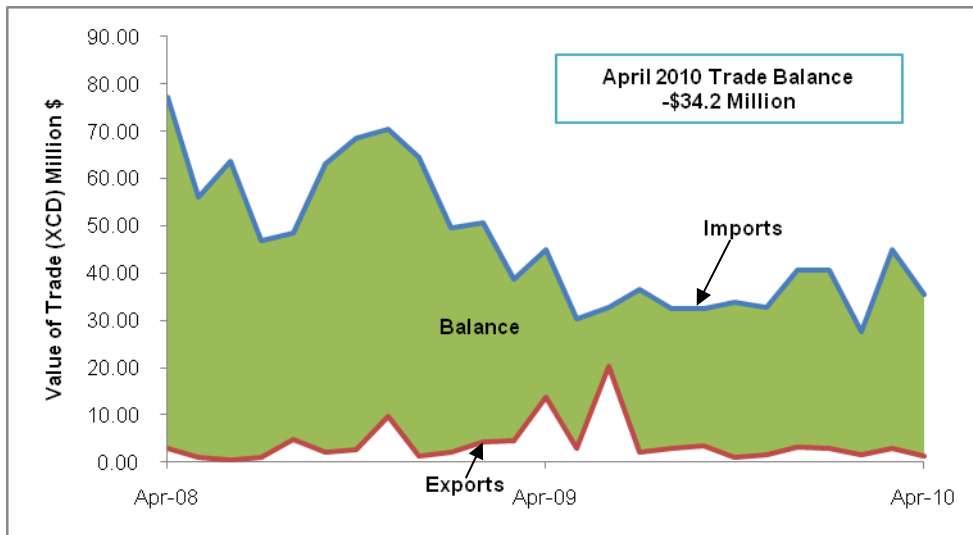
The value of trade reported represents the total record on customs documents and does not necessarily represent the total value of goods traded during the period.

**Table 1: Imports by SITC (XCD), April 2007 – 2010**

Description		Apr-07	Apr-08	Apr-09	Apr-10	% Change 2010/09
<b>Consumption Goods</b>	0 Food and Live Animals	4,145,723	6,760,122	6,645,854	9,213,687	38.6%
	1 Beverages and Tobacco	3,085,975	4,468,829	4,023,626	3,454,196	-14.2%
	4 Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	93,649	147,127	105,180	187,108	77.9%
	6 Manufactured Goods by Material	13,275,757	20,714,047	9,211,532	5,669,016	-38.5%
	8 Misc. Manufactured Articles	3,572,672	8,224,308	6,927,174	4,549,941	-34.3%
	9 Commodities & Transactions NES	-	6,888	-	264	
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>24,173,776</b>	<b>40,321,321</b>	<b>26,913,366</b>	<b>23,074,212</b>	<b>-14.3%</b>
<b>Primary Goods</b>	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	2,301,316	775,870	1,520,040	346,153	-77.2%
	3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants	6,374,519	16,572,765	6,389,702	5,413,773	-15.3%
	5 Chemicals & Related Products	5,122,421	3,755,024	4,101,782	2,981,975	-27.3%
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>13,798,256</b>	<b>21,103,659</b>	<b>12,011,524</b>	<b>8,741,901</b>	<b>-27.2%</b>
<b>Capital Goods</b>	7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	11,584,856	15,701,073	5,989,361	3,672,330	-38.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>49,556,888</b>	<b>77,126,053</b>	<b>44,914,251</b>	<b>35,488,443</b>	<b>-21.0%</b>

**Table 2: International Merchandise Trade (XCD), April 2008 – April 2010**

TRADE	Apr-08	Apr-09	Apr-10	% Change '10 / '09
<b>IMPORTS (IM)</b>	77,126,053	44,914,251	35,488,443	(21.0)
<b>EXPORTS (X)</b>	3,051,567	13,773,256	1,331,829	(90.3)
<b>BALANCE (X - IM)</b>	(74,074,486)	(31,140,995)	(34,156,614)	9.7



**Figure 5: Anguilla International Merchandise Trade, April 2008 – 2010**

This report, along with other Trade data, is available at the Government of Anguilla Statistics Department’s website: <http://gov.ai/statistics/external.htm>

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