



## Anguilla: International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter October – December 2005

Imports for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2005 increased 30.7% when compared to the same period in 2004. EC\$104.2 million dollars in goods were imported during this period compared to EC\$79.8 million for the same period in 2004. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials, Machinery and Transport Equipment, and Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles were the main contributors to the overall fourth quarter increase.

All three months in this quarter, recorded increases in imports with December recording the largest increase of 47.4% followed by October with 37.9% percent and November with 11.2% over their respective corresponding 2004 period.

The Capital Goods group had the largest percentage increase of 40.3% percent for this quarter, followed by Primary Goods with 32.3% and Consumption Goods with 24.2% over their fourth quarter 2004 figures.

Some of the primary sources of the increases during this quarter were imports of machine parts, vehicles, household appliances, wood, heavy equipment, plastic fittings, construction materials such as cement, steel, iron, electrical fittings and furniture, oils and fats, beverages, chemical products; such as acrylic and automotive paints, diesel and petroleum jelly products and alcoholic beverages.

Over the corresponding period (4<sup>th</sup> qtr 2004), Capital Goods, which are machinery and transport equipment, had the largest increase in value of goods imported of EC\$10.0 million. Items such as heavy equipment, household appliances, vehicles, air-condition machines, and telephones (including cell-phones), among other items, attributed to the increase.

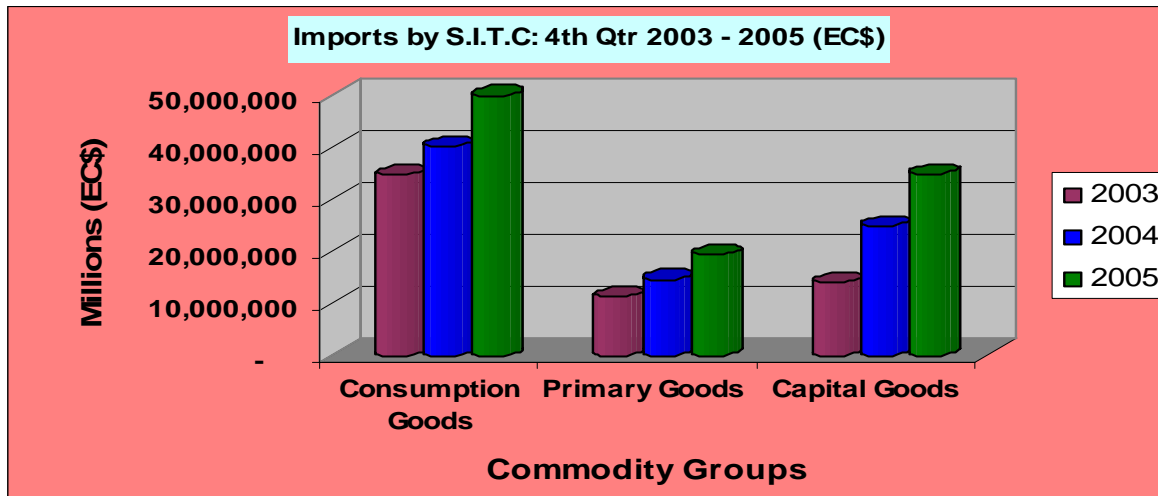
Imports within the Primary Goods group accounted for 18.6% of overall trade and recorded an increase of 32.3% for the quarter under review. EC\$4.7 million more in goods, in this group, was imported over last year's fourth quarter.

Two of the three components within this category (Primary Goods) recorded increases for this period with Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials experiencing the greater increase, which amounted to 62.8% over last year's figure. Fuel and petroleum jelly products were the main commodities attributing to the rise.

In the Chemicals and Related Products category, acrylic paints, automotive paints, perfumes and other cosmetics were some of the items contributing to its 13.8% increase.

Imports of Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels declined by 16.9% from the fourth quarter of 2004. During the latter part of 2004 there was an increased importation of asphalt, bitumen and stone (used in the construction of the new airport runway and roads). There were no major on going projects during this reporting period that required the use of these materials hence the lower import value during this period.

**Fig. 1**



Consumption Goods recorded a 24.2% increase over the fourth quarter of 2004. Miscellaneous Manufactured articles contributed most to this increase with an annual (4<sup>th</sup> qtr 2005/2004) increase of 58.1%, which was, in part, as a result of the importation of wooden furniture, garden furniture, electrical lamps and fittings and toys.

With most tourism establishments refurbishing their properties for the beginning of the tourist season and the ensuing Christmas period, most department stores stocked up on toys for sale.

Other components with increases, during this quarter, within Consumption Goods category were Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material (20.7%), Beverages and Tobacco (15.9%) and Food and Live Animals (8.5%). Meat, sugar, beer, rum, wood, cement, wall and floor tiles and doors and windows were some of the main items contributing to the rise within these components.

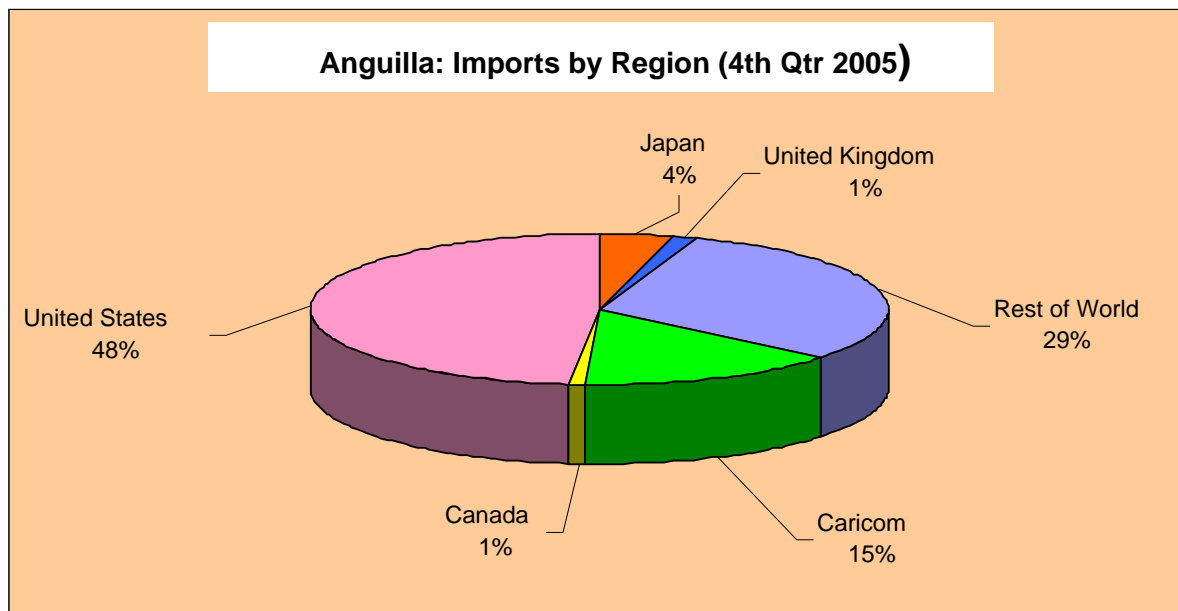
Imports from the United States of America, rose by 15.5% over the corresponding period (4<sup>th</sup> qtr 2004) and accounted for 48.3% of total trade to the island. Trade with CARICOM<sup>1</sup> countries for this period rose 68.5% compared to the fourth quarter of 2004. These group of countries accounted for 14.7% of total trade to Anguilla. Trinidad and

<sup>1</sup> Caricom Countries:- Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Barbados, Belize, Guyana, Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago.

Tobago and Guyana were the two countries with significant percentage increases of imports during the fourth quarter 2005 over its corresponding period in 2004. Diesel, petroleum jelly products, furniture and alcoholic beverages were the main commodities imported.

Trade with Japan rose 121.5% over the corresponding period of 2004 and goods imported from this country accounted for 4.3% of overall trade. Commodities such as vehicles and outboard motors were imported.

**Fig. 2**



Exports, which include re-exports and domestic exports during October to December 2005 were valued at EC\$7.8 million, a 3.2% increase when compared to last year's fourth quarter of EC\$7.6 million. Domestic exports totaled EC\$5.4 million for this period, and accounted for 68.8% of overall exports. The value of re-exported goods totaled EC\$2.4 million in comparison to EC\$6.8 million for the same period last year.

Such a large re-export value for the fourth quarter 2004 was as a result of the re-exportation of the cinematographic equipment that was used in the NBC Destination Wedding program that took place on the island.

The fourth quarter produced a recorded trade balance of EC\$96.4 million in deficit, a 33.6% increase over the same period in 2004, which was mainly due to the significant rise in the level of imports for this period.

Table 1: Imports by SITC<sup>2</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> qtr 2003 - 2005 (EC\$)

	<b>Category</b>	<b>4/2004</b>	<b>4/2005</b>	<b>% change 04/05</b>
<b>Consumption Goods</b>	0 Food and Live Animals	10,182,050	11,051,448	8.5%
	1 Beverages and Tobacco	6,349,510	7,359,146	15.9%
	4 Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats and Waxes	244,527	186,235	-23.8%
	6 Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Mat.	15,344,858	18,522,559	20.7%
	8 Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	8,138,866	12,865,054	58.1%
	9 Commodities & Transactions NES	819	0	-100.0%
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>40,260,630</b>	<b>49,984,442</b>	<b>24.2%</b>
<b>Primary Goods</b>	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels	2,112,408	1,754,720	-16.9%
	3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials	6,851,882	11,153,317	62.8%
	5 Chemicals and Related Products NES	5,656,633	6,435,706	13.8%
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>14,620,923</b>	<b>19,343,743</b>	<b>32.3%</b>
<b>Capital Goods</b>	<b>7 Machinery and Transport Equipment</b>	<b>24,910,921</b>	<b>34,940,310</b>	<b>40.3%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>79,792,474</b>	<b>104,268,495</b>	<b>30.7%</b>

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	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>% Change 05/04</b>
<b>Imports</b>	79,792,474	104,268,495	30.7
<b>Exports</b>	7,632,694	7,877,525	3.2
<b>Balance (E-I)</b>	(72,159,780)	(96,390,970)	33.6

<sup>2</sup> Standard International Trade Classification