

**Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter: July – September 2001**

Anguilla's total merchandise imports for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter ending September 2001 were EC\$51.6 million. This represents a 7% decline over the same period in 2000.

The major sources of the decline were construction materials (such as Wood, Doors and door frames, PVC piping), water and Vehicles (Heavy Equipment). There were no major construction projects being built at the time, thereby reducing the need to import the above materials in huge quantities. Since Anguilla now has its own water production plant which supplies the island, the need to import water in large quantities is now reduced.

Total exports amounted to EC\$2.6 million, of which total domestic exports which are comprised of Rum and Blocks were EC\$152,738 a 20% decline when compared to the previous year when there was EC\$191,891 in domestic exports.

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2001, Anguilla's balance of Trade was EC\$48.9 million and was a deficit (i.e net imports with imports exceeding exports). Compared with the same period in 2000 a decline of 9% was recorded.

The figures for imports and exports/re-exports shown represent the total record on customs documents brought to account at that period. They do not necessarily represent the actual total amount of goods imported into the country or exported from the country during that period. However, the customs records account for the major percentage by far, of total merchandise imports.

**Table : 1 Quarterly merchandise Trade Statistics 2000/2001**

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>% Change 2000/2001 Qtrly</b>	<b>Year to date 2000</b>	<b>Year to date 2001</b>	<b>% Change 2000/2001 Year to Date</b>
<b>IMPORTS</b>	55,356,926	51,659,728	<b>-7.0</b>	179,844,638	166,907,642	<b>-7.1</b>
<b>EXPORTS</b>	1,575,769	2,679,679	<b>70.0</b>	6,052,295	6,061,280	<b>0.15</b>
<b>BALANCE (E-I)</b>	(53,781,157)	(48,980,049)	<b>-9.0</b>	(173,792,343)	(160,846,362)	<b>-8.0</b>