



Anguilla: International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary

1st Quarter, January – March 2005

There was a 49.0 percent increase in merchandise trade imports to the island during the 1st quarter in 2005 compared to 2004.

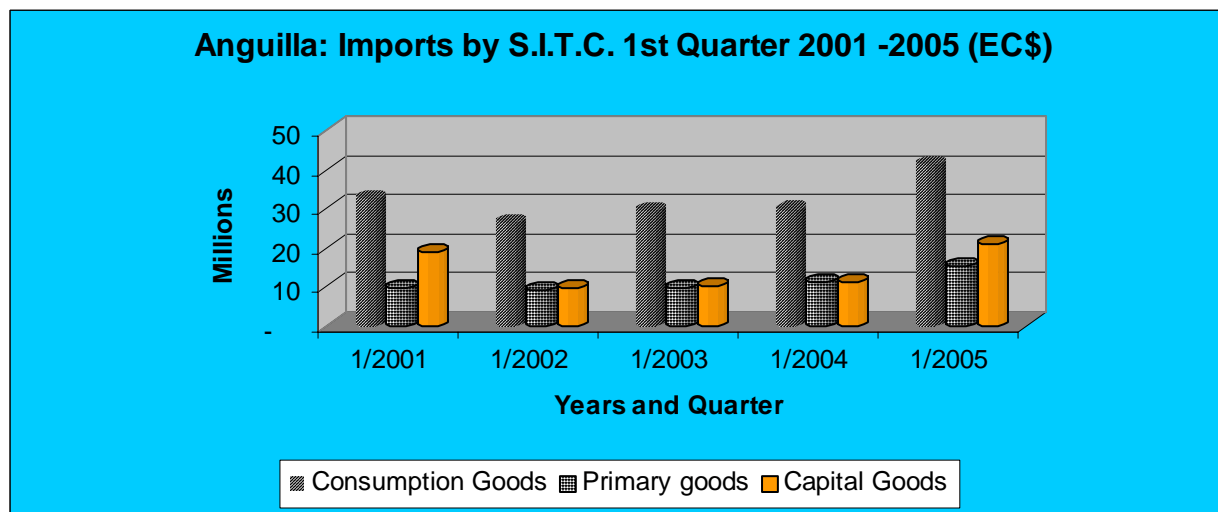
Food products, wood, rum, sand, asphalt, lawn mowers, furniture, cement, aluminum and steel products, computers, fuel and machinery were the major contributors to the increase. EC\$77.6 million dollars in goods were imported during this period compared to EC\$52.2 million in 2004.

All three months within the 1st quarter recorded increases with the month of February showing the largest increase in imports of 63.0 percent followed by March with 54.0 percent and January with a 31.1 percent increase.

EC\$9.6 million more in Capital Goods were imported for this 1st quarter 2005 than for the corresponding period in 2004, which amounted to an overall 86.0 percent rise over the first quarter of 2004. The importation of refrigeration units, mowers, computers and other machinery and parts contributed to the large increase.

Consumption Goods, which recorded the largest increase in value of EC\$11.6 million during this period rose 39.0 percent over last year's first quarter. All the components within this group showed increases over the same period last year, resulting from stronger flows in imports of alcoholic beverages, building materials and furniture.

Crude Materials except fuels, was responsible for the 37.3 percent jump in Primary Goods imports. This component increased by a whopping 189.1 percent over last year, caused by a soar in the imports of Wood, sand, asphalt



There was an increase in the value of duty collected on imported items from all three ports on Anguilla. Duty collected at the ports of Blowing Point was up 42.0 percent, Sandy Ground (*main cargo port*) 20.0 percent, and the Wallblake Airport 5.0 percent.

Exports (which include re-exports and domestic exports) were valued at EC\$6.5 million, a 182 percent rise during the 1st quarter 2005 compared to last year's 1st quarter. The EC\$ 6.5 million in exports include some of the heavy equipment such as excavators, bulldozers, graders, loaders, rollers and other machines that were brought into the Island to construct and upgrade the Wallblake Airport and which are now

being re-exported. Domestic Exports accounted for 11.0 percent of the overall exports for this period. January had the largest volume in Domestic Exports for this period of EC\$480,267.

The international merchandise trade deficit for the 1st quarter was EC\$71.1million, a 42.4 percent increase compared to EC\$50.0 million in 2004.

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

Anguilla: 1st Quarter 2001–2005 International Trade Merchandise Trade Statistics (EC\$ M)

	2002	2003	2004	2005	% Change 05/04
Imports	45,024,239	49,239,273	52,254,846	77,664,989	48.6
Exports	2,403,621	2,504,765	2,315,732	6,524,968	181.7
Balance (E-I)	(42,620,618)	(46,734,508)	(49,939,114)	(71,140,021)	(42.4)

**Anguilla: Imports by SITC¹ EC\$ (1st Qtr 2003 – 2005)
January – March**

	Category	1/2003	1/2004	1/2005	% change 05/04
Consumption Goods	0 Food and Live Animals	13,006,931	10,445,581	14,819,257	41.9%
	1 Beverages and Tobacco	4,437,503	3,463,308	4,946,468	42.8%
	4 Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats and Waxes	190,795	210,233	281,576	33.9%
	6 Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Materials	6,409,129	9,688,266	13,492,688	39.3%
	8 Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	5,351,193	5,996,665	7,928,061	32.2%
	9 Commodities and Transactions NES in SITC	36,764	42,667	-	-100.0%
	Sub-Total	29,432,315	29,846,720	41,468,050	38.9%
Primary Goods	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels	1,110,323	1,177,606	3,404,437	189.1%
	3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials	5,388,241	5,498,310	7,544,125	37.2%
	5 Chemicals and Related Products NES	3,171,114	4,501,599	4,402,835	-2.2%
	Sub-Total	9,669,678	11,177,515	15,351,397	37.3%
Capital Goods	7 Machinery and Transport Equipment	10,137,280	11,230,611	20,845,542	85.6%
TOTAL		49,239,273	52,254,846	77,664,989	48.6%

¹ Standard International Trade Classification