

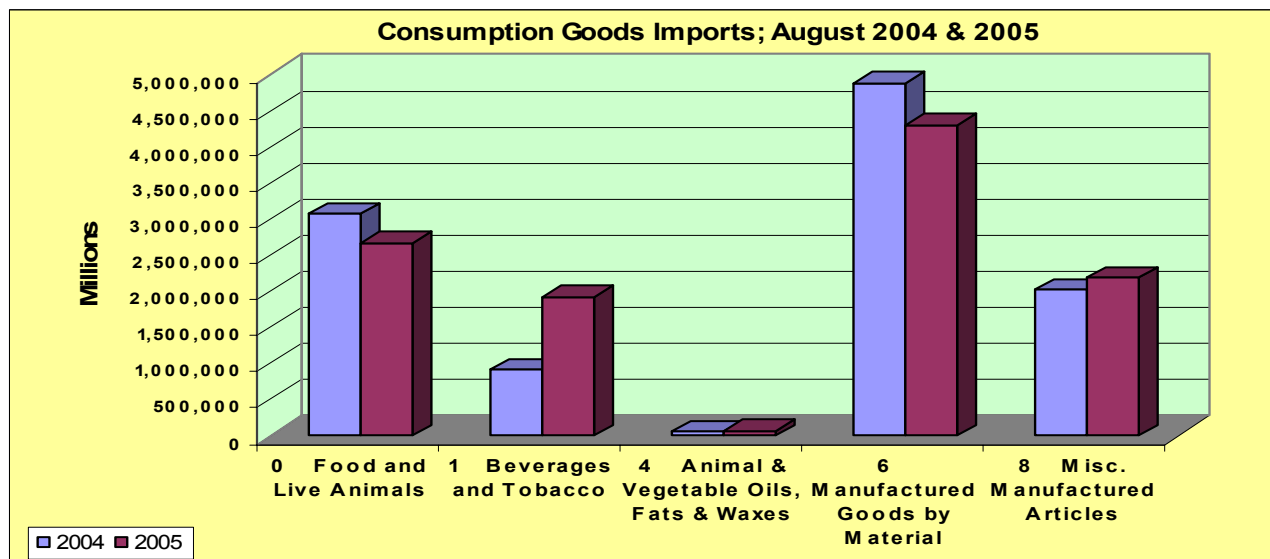


## Anguilla: International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary

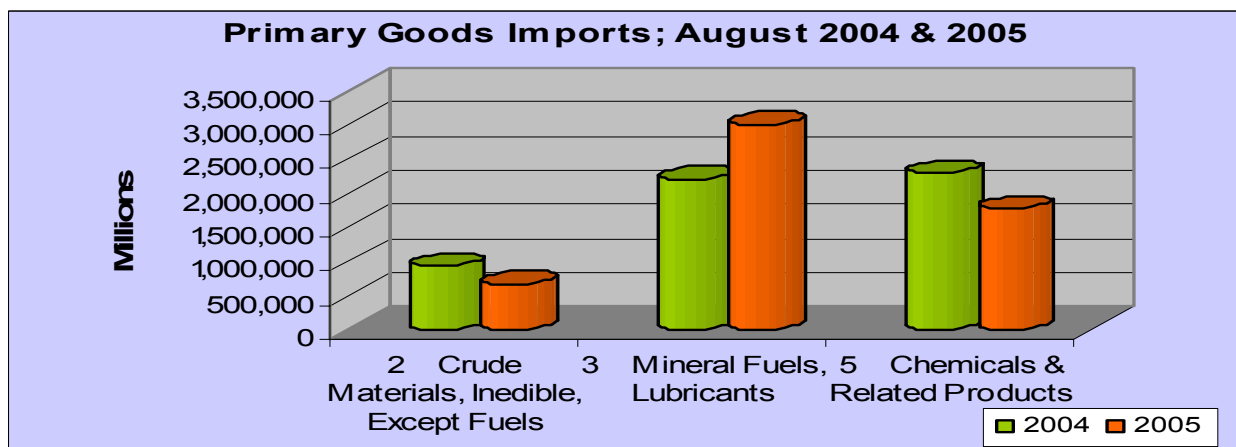
### August 2005

During the month of August, international merchandise trade imports to Anguilla declined 20.1% from the corresponding period in 2004. Imports totaled EC\$24.7 million compared to EC\$30.9 million in August 2004. The primary sources of this decline, was in the imports of Capital Goods, which comprises of Machinery and Transport Equipment which declined overall by 44.0%. Imports within the Consumption and Primary Goods categories were also below par as these two categories saw mere increases in imports of 2.0% and 0.2% respectively.

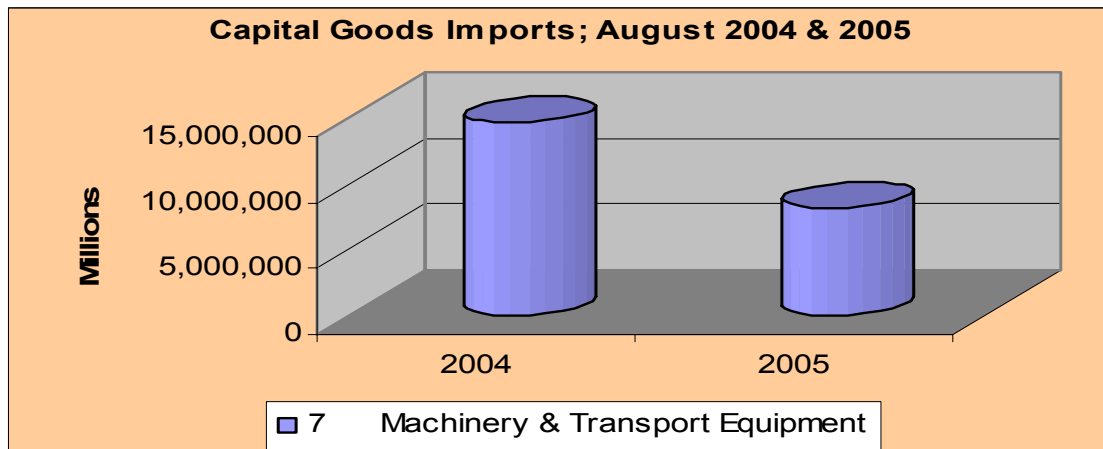
Consumption goods imports increased slightly in August 2005 over August 2004 and was mainly driven by increases in the Beverages and Tobacco and Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes categories with 112.0% and 44.0% respectively. The increased importation of Rum, Beer, *(which can be attributed to the Summer Festival during this month)*, olive and vegetable oils by various merchants accounted for the increase.



Imports in the Primary Goods category saw an overall increase of less than 1.0%. The Mineral Fuels, Lubricants category recorded an increase of 37.0% over August 2004 while, Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels and the Chemicals & Related Products declined by 29.0% and 23.0% respectively. During August 2004, there was increased activity in the imports of Bentonite and Asphalt that were used in the road construction projects; with no major on going projects of this kind, the need for these commodities has lessened hence the import value declining for this period.



Capital Goods (*which include machinery and transport equipment*) declined for this period by 44.0%. Most of the heavy equipment that was brought in to the island in 2004 for the road construction was partly the source of this category showing a high import value for August 2004. With no major imports of this kind recorded for August this year the import value has shown a decline, which indicates imports in this category are returning to 'normal' levels.



During August, the total value in duty collected for goods imported using the ASYCUDA system was EC\$3.2 million compared to EC\$2.5 million in August 2003. Total value in duty collected at the port of Blowing Point was EC\$339,901.51 compared to EC\$223,915 during August last year.

Exports (which include re-exports and domestic exports) were EC\$3.0 million compared to EC\$968,693 in August 2004. The large export figure during this period was due to the re-exports of the heavy equipment. Domestic exports which totaled EC\$875,500 during August 2005 compared to EC\$220,571 in August last year, accounted for 30.0% of overall exports. Re-exports totaled EC\$2.0 million compared to EC\$748,122 in August last year.

The merchandise trade deficit for August was EC\$21.8 million or a 27.2 percent decline when compared to EC\$30.0 million for the same period in 2004.

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.

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

*Imports by S.I.T.C<sup>1</sup> August 2003 – 2005 (EC\$)*

	Description	Aug 2003	Aug 2004	Aug 2005	% Change 05/04
<b>Consumption Goods</b>	0 Food and Live Animals	2,658,664	3,063,254	2,660,615	-13.1%
	1 Beverages and Tobacco	1,170,065	907,348	1,921,182	111.7%
	4 Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	37,239	49,515	71,196	43.8%
	6 Manufactured Goods by Material	3,239,272	4,878,457	4,290,228	-12.1%
	8 Misc. Manufactured Articles	1,283,442	2,014,054	2,183,434	8.4%
	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>8,388,682</b>	<b>10,912,628</b>	<b>11,126,655</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
<b>Primary Goods</b>	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	512,861	936,574	666,804	-28.8%
	3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants	1,519,604	2,206,727	3,011,787	36.5%
	5 Chemicals & Related Products	945,073	2,294,185	1,770,564	-22.8%
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>2,977,538</b>	<b>5,437,486</b>	<b>5,449,155</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
<b>Capital Goods</b>	7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	4,320,672	14,594,679	8,151,605	-44.1%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15,686,892</b>	<b>30,944,793</b>	<b>24,727,415</b>	<b>-20.1%</b>

*August 2004 – August 2005 International Merchandise Trade Statistics (EC\$)*

	August 2004	August 2005	% Change 05/04
<b>Imports</b>	30,944,793	24,727,415	(20.1)
<b>Exports</b>	968,693	2,910,313	200.4
<b>Balance (E-I)</b>	(29,976,100)	(21,817,102)	(27.2)

<sup>1</sup> Standard International Trade Classification