International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary January 2002

Anguilla's total international merchandise imports for January 2002 were EC\$16.7 million. When compared with January 2001, a 30.8% decline was recorded.

House fixtures and accessories, engine and machinery parts, motor vehicles and food items were major contributors to the decline.

Total exports for January were EC\$539,200, of which total domestic exports, comprised of Blocks and Rum were EC\$72,987. A net weight of 195,180 kilograms of blocks were exported for January 2002 compared to 5,161 kilograms for the same period in 2001.

For January 2002, the merchandise trade deficit was EC\$16.2 million compared to EC\$23.5 million in January 2001. While the reduction in the trade deficit is favourable from a trade and balance of payments standpoint, its impact on the Government's budget will be unfavourable because of the reduction in the amount of import duties collected.

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 form the country during that period. However, the customs records account for the major percentage by far of total merchandise imports.

Table indicating January 2002 International Merchandise Trade Statistics EC\$ (M)

	Jan 2001	Jan 2002	% Change 01/02
Imports	24,196,729	16,753,375	(30.8)
Exports	737,483	539,200	(26.9)
Balance (E-I)	(23,459,246)	(16,214,175)	30.9

Table showing Total Domestic Exports January 2001/2002 EC\$

	Jan 2001	Jan 2002	% Change 01/02
Blocks	10,573	64,016	505%
Rum	6,088	8,971	47.3%

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