

Anguilla: International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary June 2005

The value of Anguilla's total international merchandise trade imports for the month of June reached EC\$27.1 million up 15.0 percent from June 2004 when EC\$23.5 million in goods were imported. The value of imports is the highest amount for June since the year 2000, when imports were valued at EC\$23.8 million. All of the categories of imports contributed to this increase except the Mineral Fuels and Lubricants category, which declined 45.3 percent from last year June. Beverages and Tobacco had the largest percentage increase of 162.0 percent. The first half of the year has shown an increase in imports of 40.0 percent over the same period in 2004.

Some of the main commodities contributing to the increase were food products, alcohol, home furnishings and fittings, paint, air condition units and PVC pipes and fittings.

Consumption Goods recorded the largest increase by value of EC\$3.7 million of goods imported. This sector saw a 37.2 percent increase in goods brought into the island over the same period last year. Imports within the Beverages and Tobacco group included in the Consumption Goods category rose by 162.0 percent over June 2004. The imports of whiskies, rum and vodka contributed to this rise. Home furnishes and fittings and footwear was the basis for the 55.3 percent increase in the Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles component. For the purpose of restocking their shelves a number of supermarkets imported a large quantity of olive oils, which caused a jump of 27.0 percent in the Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats and Waxes category.

Imports of Capital Goods also increased during this period by 11.0 percent over June 2004. Air condition units and vehicles were major components of this rise.

Primary Goods was the only sector of goods that recorded a decline during June 2005 of 17.0 percent. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants was the source of the decline. Imports within this component dropped 45.3 percent from June 2004. Due to the probability of an overstocking of diesel fuel and petroleum jelly during the previous months, there was no need to imports as much of these products during this period. Crude Materials and Chemicals and Related Products included in this sector of goods increased by 20.3 percent and 42.3 percent respectively. Imports of asphalt, paints (automotive and acrylic), cosmetics and plastic fittings, pipes and tubes contributed to the increase.

Exports, which include re-exports and domestic exports during June were valued at EC\$3.0 million, a 241.0 percent increase compared to last year June. Domestic exports which totaled EC\$1.6 million during June 2005 compared to EC\$103,155 in June 2005, accounted for 57.4 percent of the overall exports for this period. For this period re-exports totaled EC\$1.2 million.

Anguilla's balance of trade was in deficit by EC\$24.1 million for this period. Compared with the same period in 2004 the deficit increased 6.3 percent.

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: <u>http://gov.ai/statistics/external.htm</u>

	Description	June 2003	June 2004	June 2005	% Change 04/05
consumption Goods	0 Food and Live Animals	2,610,017	2,829,083	3,179,736	12.4%
	1 Beverages and Tobacco	1,446,778	1,001,379	2,621,200	161.8%
	4 Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	32,480	50,669	64,156	26.6%
	6 Manufactured Goods by Material	3,146,405	4,318,531	5,043,952	16.8%
	8 Misc. Manufactured Articles	1,532,005	1,897,298	2,946,388	55.3%
	9 Commodities & Transactions NES	82,912	-	-	0.0%
	Sub total	8,850,597	10,096,960	13,855,432	37.2%
Primary Goods	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	201,164	506,077	608,642	20.3%
	3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants	2,202,105	4,080,782	2,230,361	-45.3%
	5 Chemicals & Related Products	813,472	1,675,338	2,384,648	42.3%
	Sub-Total	3,216,741	6,262,197	5,223,651	-16.6%
Capital Goods	7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	2,969,335	7,239,287	8,021,954	10.8%
	Total	15,036,673	23,598,444	27,101,037	14.8%

Imports by SITC² June 2003 - 2005 (EC\$)

June 2003- June 2005 International Merchandise Trade Statistics (EC\$)

	June 2003	June 2004	June 2005	% Change 05/04
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Imports	15,036,673	23,598,444	27,101,037	15.0%
Exports	807,214	857,600	2,922,142	241.0%
Balance (E-I)	(14,229,459)	(22,740,844)	(24,178,895)	6.3%

² SITC: Standard International Trade Classification