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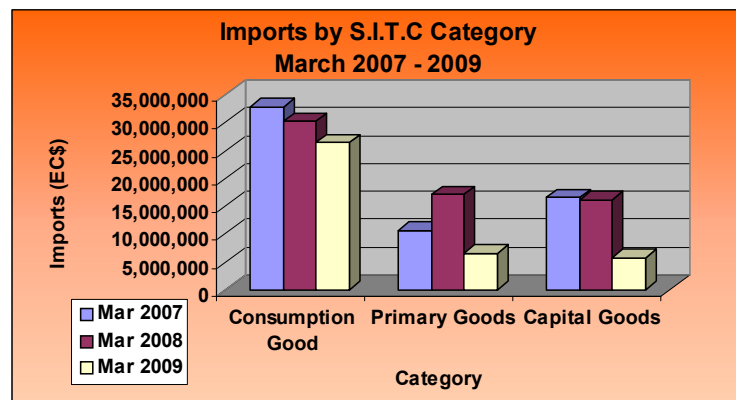
International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary – March 2009

OVERVIEW

Imports for March 2009 totalled EC\$38.7 million, a 39.0% decrease over the corresponding 2008 March value of EC\$63.4 million. Over the past five years this was the first decrease in imports for the month of March.

All the S.I.T.C¹ categories during March 2009 experienced decreases, with the largest decrease over its corresponding 2008 figure in imports of 65.0% in the Capital Goods category. Primary Goods experienced a 61.6% decrease and Consumption Goods experienced a decrease in its imports value of 12.4% over their corresponding 2008 figure.

Consumption, Primary and Capital Goods contributed 68.3%, 17.0% and 14.7% respectively to the total import bill for March 2009.



¹ Standard Industrial Trade Classification

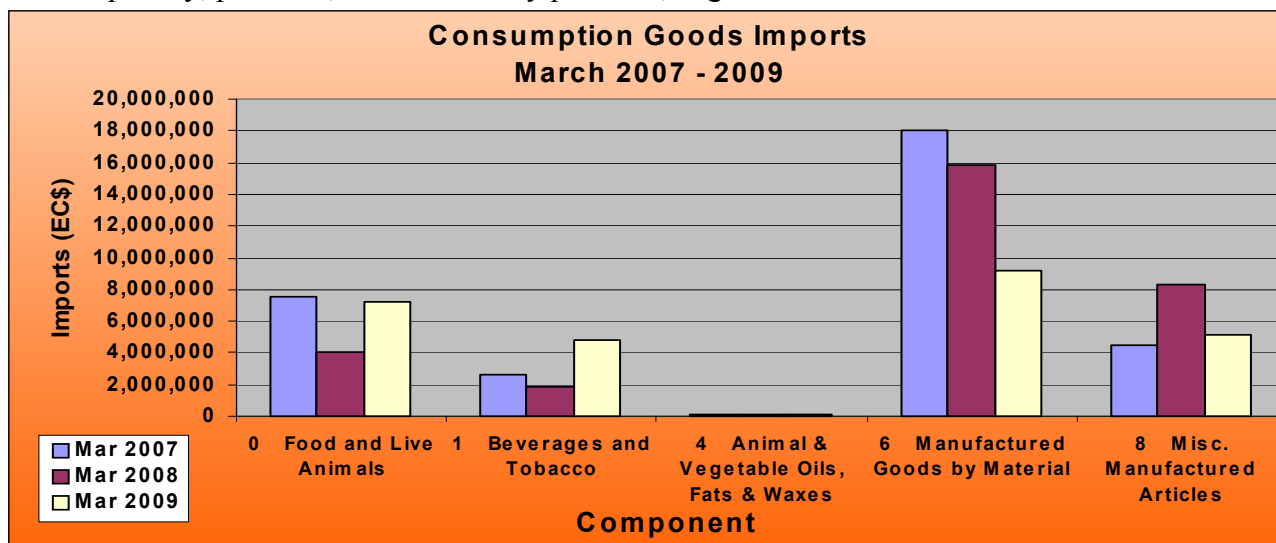
CONSUMPTION GOODS

Consumption Goods accounted for EC\$26.4 million, of the total imports, a 12.4% decrease over the EC\$30.2 million in March 2008. This category's two major components; Manufactured Goods by Materials and Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles experienced the decreases in the Consumption Goods category.

The component Beverages and Tobacco experienced the largest increase over its March 2008 figure with 155.4%; contributing 18.1% to the category. This increase was partly due to the increase value of imports of items such as rum, water and other beverages.

The Manufactured Goods by Material component; usually the largest contributor to this category, accounted for EC\$9.2 million, 34.7% of the Consumption Goods imports, this component experienced the largest decrease in the category of 41.9% over its corresponding 2008 figure. This decrease was in part due to the decrease in the import value of items such as tiles, window & doors, steel etc.

Food and Live Animals contributed the second largest import value to the imports and the second largest increase over its corresponding 2008 figure with EC\$7.2 million. This increase was partly due to imports of meats such as poultry, pork etc., as well as dairy products, vegetables and fruits.

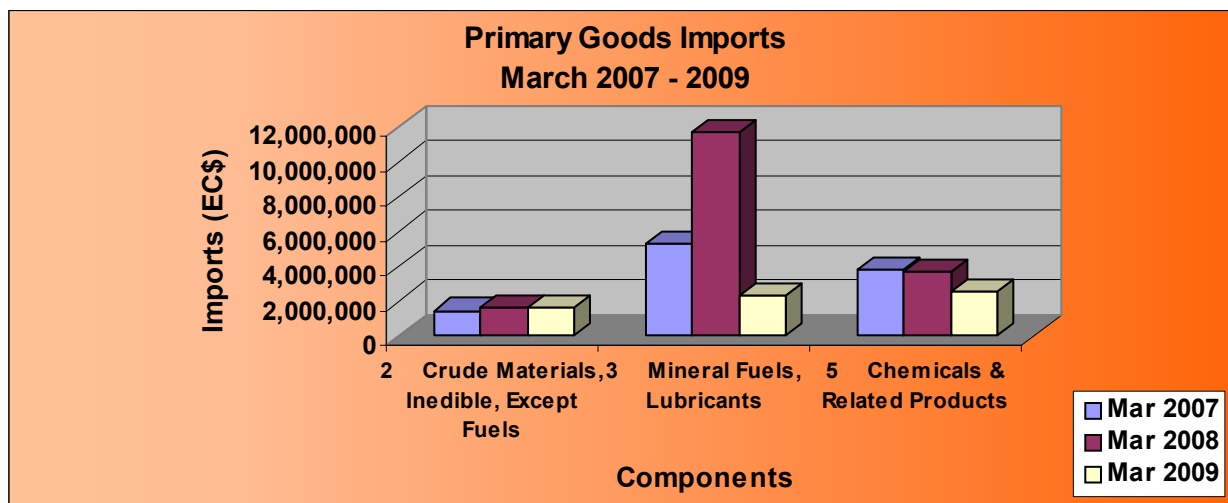


PRIMARY GOODS

Primary Goods accounted for EC\$6.6 million of the total imports; experiencing a decrease more than half of its corresponding 2008 figure of EC\$17.1 million with a decrease of 61.6%. All three components of this category experienced decreases over their corresponding March 2008 figures.

The Mineral Fuels and Lubricants component fuelled this decrease, experiencing the largest decrease among the three declining components in the category, of 79.7% when compared to its corresponding 2008 figure. This component valued EC\$2.4 million, 36.3% of the Primary Goods category. This decrease was fuelled mainly by the decreased amounts of petroleum jelly, propane, aviation spirit etc.

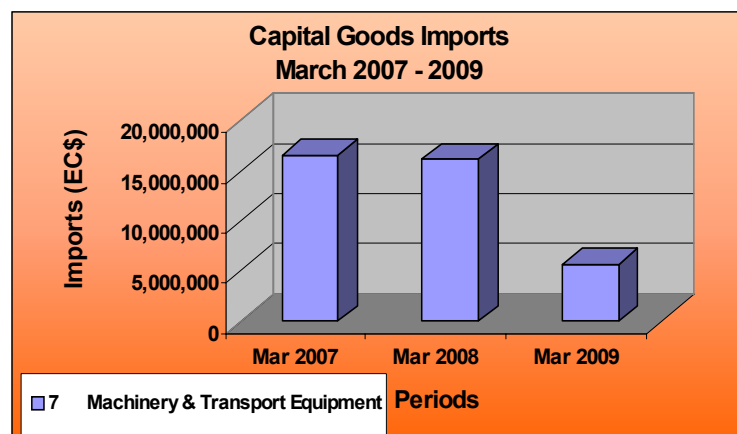
The Chemicals & Related Products component accounted for EC\$2.6 million of the Primary Goods imports, experienced the second largest decrease with 30.8%. This figure was part due to the decreased value of items such as paints, insecticide etc.



CAPITAL GOODS

Capital Goods accounted for EC\$5.7 million, 14.7% of the total import bill, with Machinery and Transport Equipment being the sole component in this category; experiencing a decrease more than half of its corresponding March 2008 figure.

The decreases in the value of import of household appliances, such as washing machines, refrigerators, air-conditioning units, telephones etc, were some of the contributors to the decrease in this category. Vehicles also contributed to this decrease with EC\$0.8 million compared to the \$2.7 million in 2008.



EXPORTS

Exports which include re-exports and domestic exports for the month of March were EC\$4.6 million, a 382.7% increase over its March 2008 value of EC\$0.9 million, this is also the largest amount of exports during this period since the EC\$3.9 in March 2005. Domestic exports totaled EC\$2.4 million in March 2009 as compared to EC\$0.8 million in March 2008, a 198.3% increase.

Anguilla's balance of trade for March 2009 was in deficit of EC\$34.1 million, a deficit decrease of 45.4% when compared to the EC\$62.5 million in the same period of 2008.

**Imports by S.I.T.C Categories
March 2006 – 2009**

	Description	Mar 2006	Mar 2007	Mar 2008	Mar 2009	% Change 09/08
Consumption Goods	0 Food and Live Animals	5,540,517	7,586,244	4,093,557	7,184,615	75.5%
	1 Beverages and Tobacco	4,765,017	2,664,653	1,874,698	4,787,763	155.4%
	4 Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	127,328	159,514	73,673	113,183	53.6%
	6 Manufactured Goods by Material	6,701,919	17,995,803	15,803,469	9,174,579	-41.9%
	8 Misc. Manufactured Articles	3,432,757	4,479,999	8,321,871	5,174,931	-37.8%
	9 Commodities & Transactions NES	0	0	0	482	0.0%
	Sub total	20,567,538	32,886,213	30,167,268	26,435,553	-12.4%
Primary Goods	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	1,191,979	1,480,453	1,645,131	1,604,600	-2.5%
	3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants	4,807,576	5,314,817	11,715,198	2,383,946	-79.7%
	5 Chemicals & Related Products	2,187,645	3,847,106	3,718,898	2,572,199	-30.8%
	Sub-Total	8,187,200	10,642,376	17,079,227	6,560,745	-61.6%
Capital Goods	7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	17,771,819	16,564,776	16,193,824	5,673,552	-65.0%
Total		46,526,557	60,093,365	63,440,319	38,669,850	-39.0%

**International Merchandise Trade Statistics (EC\$)
March 2006 – 2009**

	March 2006	March 2007	March 2008	March 2009	% Change 09/08
IMPORTS	46,526,557	60,093,365	63,440,319	38,669,850	(39.0)
EXPORTS	2,262,985	2,482,460	949,034	4,580,711	382.7
BALANCE (E-I)	(44,263,572)	(57,610,905)	(62,491,285)	(34,089,139)	(45.4)

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

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