

Anguilla Government Statistics Department - May 2008International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary

OVERVIEW

Imports for the month of May 2008, totalled EC\$56.0 million, a 15.3% increase over the corresponding 2007 May value. This increase was fuelled mainly by Consumption Goods, which accounted for 53.7% of the total imports.

There were increases in imports in two S.I.T.C¹ categories during May 2008. Consumption Goods experienced an increase over its corresponding 2007 figure with 26.4% and Primary Goods with an increase of 24.0% over its corresponding 2007 figure. Conversely, the Capital Goods category was the only category that experienced a decrease over its corresponding 2007 figure with 12.8%.

Primary and Capital Goods contributed 26.0% and 20.3% respectively to the total import bill for May 2008.



Standard Industrial Trade Classification

CONSUMPTION GOODS

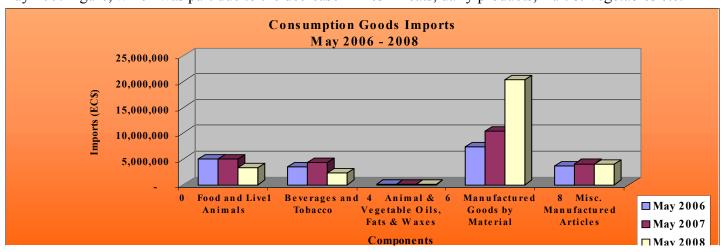
Consumption Goods accounted for EC\$30.1 million of the total imports bill, with all its components except for Food and Live Animals, Beverages and Tobacco and Misc. Manufactured Articles which experienced decreases over their corresponding May 2007 figures.

The Manufactured Goods by Material component contributed the largest value to the Consumption Goods category, with a total value of EC\$20.3 million, 67.4% of Consumption Goods imports. This component's increase of 93.9%, almost dou

bling its 2007 corresponding figure, was due in part to the increase in imports of items used in construction such as tiles, blocks, steel, window and doors etc.

The component, Misc. Manufactured Articles for the month of March 2008 contributed the second largest value to the Consumption Goods category, with a total value of EC\$3.9 million, accounting for 13.1% of Consumption Goods imports. This component experienced a decrease over its corresponding 2007 figure of 2.6%.

The Component Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes contributed a value of EC\$0.1 million, experiencing the second highest increase in the Consumption Goods category with 66.6% over its corresponding 2007 figure which was partly due to the increase in imports of corn and olive oil etc. Conversely, the component Food and Live Animals contributed EC\$2.4 million, experiencing the highest decrease in the category with 44.8% over its May 2007 figure, which was part due to the decrease in fresh meats, dairy products, fruit & vegetables etc.

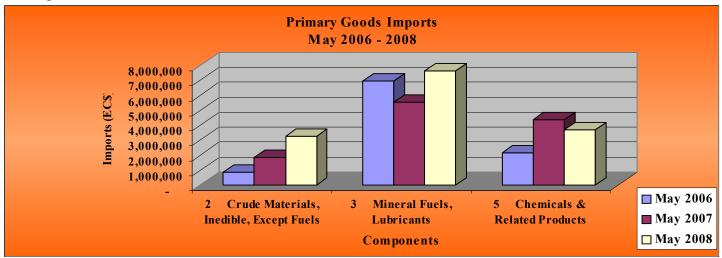


PRIMARY GOODS

Primary Goods accounted for EC\$14.6 million of the total imports, an increase of 24.0% over its 2007 corresponding figure. Mineral Fuels and Lubricants was the main contributor to this increase, contributing EC\$7.6 million, which accounted for 52.5% of the Primary Goods imports' value. This component experienced an increase of 37.8%, which was part due to the increased amounts of diesel oil, petroleum jelly and propane imports in May 2008.

Crude Materials, Inedible, Except fuels contributed EC\$3.2 million to Primary Goods, experiencing an increase of 75.4% over its corresponding May 2007 figure. This was partly due to the increase in imports of coconut plants and aggregates.

The component Chemicals & Related Products contributed EC\$3.7 million, 25.2% of Primary Goods. This was the only component in the Primary Goods category that experienced a decrease of 15.6% over its corresponding May 2007 figure.

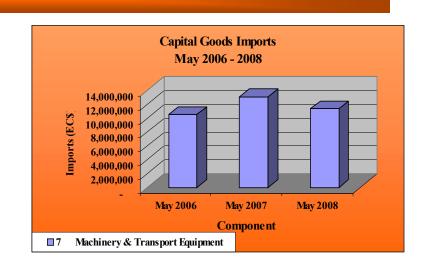


CAPITAL GOODS

Capital Goods accounted for EC\$11.3 million, 20.3% of the total import bill. Machinery and Transport Equipment, the sole component in this category experienced a 12.8% decrease over its corresponding May 2007 figure.

Freezers, transformers and air-conditioning units were some of the contributor to the Capital imports bill. There was a decline in the number of vehicles² imported. In May 2008, 105 vehicles were imported into Anguilla as compared to 127 in May 2007.





EXPORTS

Exports which include re-exports and domestic exports for the month of May were EC\$0.9 million, a 61.8% decrease over its May 2007 value. Domestic exports totaled EC\$0.4 million as compared to EC\$2.0 million in May 2007, resulting in a 79.3% decrease.

Anguilla's balance of trade for the period under review was in deficit; EC\$55.1 million, a deficit increase by 19.3% when compared with the same period in 2007.

Imports by S.I.T.C May 2005 – 2008

	Description	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	May 2008	% Change 08/07
Consumption Goods	0 Food and Live Animals	9,712,134	4,995,250	4,947,755	3,368,566	-31.9%
	1 Beverages and Tobacco	1,787,266	3,454,397	4,271,791	2,356,102	-44.8%
	4 Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes 6 Manufactured Goods by Material	107,228	108,141	87,418	145,598	66.6%
	8 Misc. Manufactured Articles	5,093,493	7,338,537	10,456,826	20,279,422	93.9%
	9 Commodities & Transactions NES	2,677,143	3,678,011	4,053,566	3,948,140	-2.6% 0.0%
	Sub total	19,377,264	19,574,336	23,817,356	30,097,828	26.4%
Primary Goods	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	641,616	832,284	1,850,845	3,246,576	75.4%
	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants Chemicals & Related Products	2,302,153	6,965,292	5,550,510	7,648,189	37.8%
	Sub-Total	1,749,359	2,147,033	4,346,361	3,667,229	-15.6%
	7 Machinani ⁹ Transport	4,693,128	9,944,609	11,747,716	14,561,994	24.0%
Capital Goods	7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	6,419,635	10,478,362	13,009,040	11,347,098	-12.8%
Total		30,490,027	39,997,307	48,574,112	56,006,920	15.3%

International Merchandise Trade Statistics (EC\$) May 2005 – 2008

	May2005	May2006	May2007	May2008	% Change 08/07
IMPORTS	30,490,027	39,997,307	48,574,112	56,006,920	15.3
EXPORTS	7,051,629	2,019,978	2,413,453	921,882	(61.8)
BALANCE (E-I)	(23,438,398)	(37,977,329)	(46,160,659)	(55,085,038)	19.3

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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