

Anguilla: International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary October 2005

Imports for October 2005 reached EC\$32.7 million, a 38% increase over October 2004, when imports totaled EC\$23.7 million. This increase was fuelled by increases in the importation of Consumption and Primary Goods.

The value of imports within the Consumption Goods category during October increased by EC\$6.4 million, a 61% increase over October 2004. This category accounted for just over half (52%), of the total trade during this period. The Beverages and Tobacco component had the largest percentage increase of 142% within the Consumption Goods category followed by the Food and Live Animals component with 88% and the Manufactured Goods by Material component with 56%. The large import value in Consumption Goods was as a result of increases in imports of items such as meat and dairy products, alcoholic beverages, building materials and home furnishings.

Imports in the Primary Goods category also increased in value by 60% percent over last year's October. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants recorded the largest percentage increase of 121%. The other two components in this category, Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels and Chemicals & Related Products recorded increases of 10% and 22% respectively. Fuel, acrylic paints and plastic fittings, used in plumbing, were the main items imported that resulted in the increase.

Imports of Capital goods declined by 2% during October this year compared to October 2004. This category made up 26% of total trade for this period.

The total value in duty collected for goods imported during October 2005 was EC\$4.4 million up 18% over October 2004.

Exports which include re-exports and domestic exports during October were valued at EC\$1.2 million, a 53% increase over October last year. Domestic exports which totaled EC\$852,784 during this period compared to EC\$267,873 in October last year, accounted for 67% of the overall exports.

Anguilla's balance of trade for October 2005 was EC\$31.5 million and was a deficit. Compared with the same period in 2004 the deficit increased by 37%.

The figures for imports and exports/re-exports shown in Table 2 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

Table 1

Imports by SITC¹ October 2004-2005

	Description	Oct 2004	Oct 2005	% Change 05/04
	0 Food and Live Animals	2,300,803	4,330,063	88%
	1 Beverages and Tobacco	1,092,431	2,643,017	142%
	4 Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	79,669	74,970	-6%
	6 Manufactured Goods by Material	4,780552	7,473,521	56%
Consumption	8 Misc. Manufactured Articles	2,335,332	2,490,575	7%
Goods	Sub-total Sub-total	10,588,787	17,012,146	61%
Primary Goods	2 Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	657,916	723933	10%
	3 Mineral Fuels, Lubricants	1,804,941	3,993,627	121%
	5 Chemicals & Related Products	2,097,841	2,568,202	22%
	Sub-total Sub-total	4,560,698	7,285,762	60%
Capital Goods	7 Machinery & Transport Equipment	8,629,268	8,497,849	-2%
Total		23,778,753	32,795,757	38%

Table 2

October 2004-October 2005 International Trade Merchandise Trade statistics (EC\$)

	October 2004	October 2005	% Change 05/04
Imports	23,778,753	32,795,757	38%
Exports	826,420	1,264,288	53%
Balance (E-I)	(22,95233)	(31,531,469)	37%

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¹ Standard International Trade Classification