International Merchandise Trade Statistics Summary January 2002

Imports to Anguilla in January 2003, increased 2.7% over the same period last year. This follows the 12.1% increase experienced in December 2002 as a result of increased purchasing by merchants. Total merchandise imports for the month were EC\$17.2 million compared to EC\$16.7 million in 2002.

Beverages, machinery & transport equipment, miscellaneous manufactured articles (building fixtures, clothing, furniture) and chemical and related products were the major contributors to the increase.

Consumption goods increased slightly during this period by 0.7% overall. Capital goods registered an increase of 12.3% and primary goods declined 2.0% in January 2003.

Exports during January were EC\$702,142, a 23.2% increase from 2001. The re-export of cigarettes and vehicle parts and oils attributed to the increase. Domestic exports accounted for 43% of the overall exports compared to 12.2% in 2001.

The merchandise trade deficit for January was EC\$16.5 million or a 1.7% increase compared to EC\$16.2 million for the same period in 2001.

	Jan 2001	Jan 2002	Jan 2003	% Change 01/02
Imports	24,196,729	16,753,375	17,208,019	2.7%
Exports	737,483	539,200	702,142	30.2%
Balance (E-I)	(23,459,246)	(16,214,175)	16,505,877	1.79%

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	SITC code	Description	Jan-02	Jan-03	% change 02/03
	0	Food and Live Animals	4,813,562	4,259,418	-11.5%
Consumption Goods	1	Beverages and Tobacco	1,170,621	1,232,252	53%
	4	Animal & Vegetable Oils, Fats & Waxes	53,579	48,265	-9.9%
	6	Manufactured Goods by Material	2,556,572	2,107,432	-17.6%
	8	Misc. Manufactured Articles	1,321,807	2,311,554	74.9%
	9	Commodities & Transactions NES	0	29,146	0.0%
		Sub total	9,916,141	9,988,067	0.7%
Primary Goods	2	Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	347,035	333,151	-4.0%
	3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants	2,043,039	1,768,139	-13.5%
	5	Chemicals & Related Products	821,472	1,046,515	27.4%
		Sub-Total	3,211,546	3,147,805	-2.0%
	7	Machinery & Transport Equipment	3,625,688	4,072,147	12.3%
Capital Goods		Total	16,753,375	17,208,019	2.7%