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## Highlights

- Canada's international trade surplus for November 1987 totalled $\$ 677$ million, a decrease of $\$ 461$ million from October.
- Exports reached a peak of $\$ 11.3$ billion, an increase of $\$ 215$ million from October.
- Imports grew by $\$ 676$ million to $\$ 10.6$ billion, also a first-time peak.
- The short-term trends for exports and imports have been up since July 1987 and May 1987 respectively.
- Exports of lumber and wood pulps, which posted large decreases in October, strengthened in November.
- Based on the first eleven months of 1987, Canadian exports to the United States represented $76.6 \%$ of the total while imports from that country accounted for $68.4 \%$ of total imports for that period.

Imports, Total Exports, and Trade Balance, All Countries, Seasonally Adjusted
Balance of Payments Basis

(1) The short-term trend gives a clearer picture of the direction and rate of change of trade by averaging the substantial monthly flucluations which frequently occur in trade. The trend for the last month is not shown in the charts above since it frequently changes significantly with the addition of succeeding months of data.

## Preliminary Statement of <br> Canadian International Trade

Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis
November 1987

## Month-to-Month Overview

The seasonally adjusted, balance-of-paymentsbasis data on international merchandise trade indicate that the surplus declined by $\$ 461$ million in November 1987 from the October level. The balance was $\$ 677$ million in November, down from $\$ 1.1$ billion in October. For the first eleven months of 1987 , the average monthly balance was $\$ 995$ million, $\$ 121$ million more than the average for the first eleven months of 1986. The November decrease in the balance occurred because imports grew more than exports. The small surpluses that Canada had had in trade with Japan since July gave way to a $\$ 101$ million deficit in November.

Exports reached a peak of $\$ 11.3$ billion in November. This represented a gain of $\$ 215$ million from the level the month before and the fourth consecutive increase this year. This rise was mainly the result of recovery in the machinery and equipment sector.

Imports grew by $\$ 676$ million, $\$ 461$ million more than the rise in exports, and totalled $\$ 10.6$ billion, a peak never before reached. Imports of machinery and equipment, and of aircraft in particular, contributed strongly to the increase in overall imports in November from the October level.

## Short-Term Trend (excludes latest month)

## Exports

The short-term trend for exports was up for the fourth time straight and grew by $2.6 \%$ from the September figure. Exports of passenger autos, wheat and other end products posted the largest increases. Lumber exports rose for the fifth month straight, although the rate of increase fell from 6.8\% in September to $4.9 \%$ in October. The largest decreases were those for exports of trucks, industrial machinery, and television and telecommunication equipment. The decline in the short-term trend for exports of electricity continued in October, though at a slower pace.

## Imports

The short-term trend for imports was up for the sixth time straight in October, with the rate of increase rising from $1.6 \%$ in September to $3.3 \%$ in October. This is the largest increase in the last four years. The largest gains were those for imports of motor-vehicle parts, passenger autos and "other communication and related equipment". The trend for aircraft imports, which had been down from July to September, strengthened in October, with an increase of $4.5 \%$. The only large decrease was that for imports of crude petroleum, which dropped by $2.8 \%$.

## Commodity Highlights

## Exports

Exports rose by $1.9 \%$ in November from the October level. The largest gains were those for exports of aircraft ( $+\$ 125$ million), passenger autos ( $+\$ 103$ million) and trucks ( $+\$ 84$ million). Exports of lumber and wood pulps, which had fallen sharply in October, strengthened in November and posted increases of $\$ 59$ million and $\$ 75$ million. As far as decreases were concerned, the largest drops were those for exports of coal ( $-\$ 99$ million), motor-vehicle parts ( $\$ 61$ million) and wheat ( $-\$ 53$ million). Aluminum exports, which had risen by $\$ 49$ million in October, dropped by $\$ 35$ million in November.

## Imports

Total imports increased by $6.8 \%$ in November from the October level. The largest increases were those for motor-vehicle parts $(+\$ 251$ million), aircraft ( $+\$ 109$ million), and "other communication and related equipment" ( $+\$ 71$ million). The large increase in imports of motor-vehicle parts took the value of imports for this category up to $\$ 1.6$ billion, the highest level since July 1986. Overall imports of inedible fabricated materials rose to $\$ 2.0$ billion, a peak never before reached. The only large decrease in November was that of $\$ 158$ million for imports of passenger autos.

## Trading-Partner Highlights

## Exports

Exports to the United States increased by $\$ 94$ million, rising to a new peak of $\$ 8.5$ billion.

Exports to "other EEC countries," the United Kingdom and "other OECD countries" grew by $\$ 185$ million, $\$ 46$ million and $\$ 36$ million. However, exports to Japan and "other countries" decreased by $\$ 130$ million and $\$ 16$ million. The cumulative total for exports to the United States in 1987 was $\$ 88.1$ billion, compared with $\$ 86.0$ billion in 1986. This represented $76.6 \%$ of total Canadian exports.

## Imports

Imports from the United States increased by $\$ 521$ million, rising to $\$ 7.3$ billion. Imports
from the United Kingdom, "other EEC countries" and Japan rose by $\$ 111$ million, $\$ 92$ mitlion and $\$ 34$ million. Imports from "other countries" and "other OECD countries" fell by $\$ 52$ million and $\$ 30$ million. Imports from the United States in the first eleven months of 1987 represented $68.4 \%$ of total imports for the same period.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3633-3642, 3651-3678, 3685-3713, 3718 and 3719.

For additional information on the statistics, concepts and definitions, please order the November 1987 issue of Summary of Canadian International Trade (65-001, $\$ 16.50 / \$ 165$ ), available the fourth week of January 1988, or contact Gordon Blaney (613-951-9647), Trade Information Unit, or Jean-Pierre Simard (613-951-1711) (analysis information) or John Butterill (613-951-4808) (price-index information), Trade Measures and Analysis Section, International Trade Division.

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Table 1
Merchandise Trade of Canada
November 1987
Balance of Payments Basis

|  |  |  |  |  |  | Period-to-period change ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Exports }{ }^{1} \\ \text { raw } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Imports } \\ \text { raw } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Exports }{ }^{1} \\ \text { S.A. }{ }^{3} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Imports } \\ \text { S.A. } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Balance } \\ \text { S.A. } 3 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { Exports }{ }^{1} \\ \text { S.A. }{ }^{3} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Imports } \\ \text { S.A. }{ }^{3} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{rr}  & \text { Balance } \\ 3 & \text { S.A. }{ }^{3} \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
|  | \$ millions |  |  |  |  | \% | \% | \$ millions |
| 1981 | 84,432 | 77.140 | 84.432 | 77.140 | 7.292 | 10.1 | 13.6 | -1.486 |
| 1982 | 84,393 | 66,739 | 84.393 | 66.739 | 17.654. | 0.0 | -13.5 | 10.362 |
| 1983 | 90,556 | 73.098 | 90,556 | 73.098 | 17.457 | 7.3 | 9.5 | . 197 |
| 1984 | 111,730 | 91,493 | 111,730 | 91,493 | 20.237 | 23.4 | 25.2 | 2.780 |
| 1985 | 119,566 | 102,641 | 119.566 | 102.641 | 16.926 | 7.0 | 12.2 | -3,312 |
| 1986 | 120,593 | 110,205 | 120,593 | 110.205 | 10,388 | 0.9 | 7.4 | -6,538 |
| 1985 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 28,728 | 23.676 | 29,355 | 24,106 | 5,249 | 1.6 | 3.1 | . 275 |
| Second quarter | 31,409 | 27.180 | 29,948 | 25,226 | 4,721 | 2.0 | 4.6 | . 528 |
| Third quarter | 27,982 | 25,352 | 29,459 | 26,274 | 3,185 | -1.6 | 4.2 | -1,537 |
| Fourth quarter | 31.447 | 26,433 | 30,805 | 27,034 | 3.770 | 4.6 | 2.9 | 586 |
| 1986 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 29,554 | 27,031 | 30,386 | 27,943 | 2.443 | -1.4 | 3.4 | -1,328 |
| Second quarter | 31,182 | 28.936 | 29,629 | 26.495 | 3,134 | -2.5 | -5.2 | 692 |
| Third quarter | 28,558 | 26,769 | 29,956 | 27,630 | 2.326 | 1.1 | 4.3 | . 809 |
| Fourth quarter | 31,299 | 27,469 | 30.622 | 28,137 | 2,486 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 160 |
| 1987 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 30.198 | 27,394 | 30,926 | 27,827 | 3,099 | 1.0 | . 1.1 | 613 |
| Second quarter | 32.094 | 29,376 | 30,718 | 27,456 | 3,262 | -0.7 | . 1.3 | 163 |
| Third quarter | 29,916 | 27,465 | 31,075 | 28,302 | 2,773 | 1.2 | 3.1 | . 489 |
| 1986 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 10,192 | 9,079 | 10,752 | 9,665 | 1,087 | 4.8 | 5.9 | -49 |
| February | 9,504 | 9,385 | 9.980 | 9,647 | 333 | . 7.2 | . 0.2 | . 754 |
| March | 9,858 | 8,566 | 9,654 | 8,632 | 1.022 | -3.3 | -10.5 | 689 |
| April | 10,678 | 10,098 | 10,276 | 8,698 | 1,578 | 6.4 | 0.8 | 556 |
| May | 10,246 | 9,374 | 9,728 | 8,783 | 945 | -5.3 | 1.0 | -634 |
| June | 10,257 | 9,463 | 9,626 | 9,014 | 612 | -1.1 | 2.6 | . 333 |
| July | 9,311 | 9,672 | 9,889 | 9,594 | 295 | 2.7 | 6.4 | . 316 |
| August | 8,610 | 8.221 | 9,653 | 8,859 | 794 | -2.4 | -7.7 | 498 |
| September | 10,637 | 8,877 | 10,414 | 9,177 | 1,237 | 7.9 | 3.6 | 442 |
| October | 10,790 | 9,763 | 10,195 | 9,430 | 765 | -2.1 | 2.8 | . 471 |
| November | 10,498 | 9,136 | 10,204 | 9,249 | 955 | 0.1 | -1.9 | 190 |
| December | 10,011 | 8,569 | 10,224 | 9,458 | 766 | 0.2 | 2.3 | . 188 |
| 1987 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 9,324 | 8.501 | 9.937 | 9,186 | 751 | -2.8 | . 2.9 | -16 |
| February | 10,052 | 9.028 | 10,495 | 9,265 | 1,230 | 5.6 | 0.9 | 479 |
| March | 10.822 | 9.865 | 10.494 | 9,375 | 1,119 | 0.0 | 1.2 | . 111 |
| April | 10,412 | 9.322 | 10,099 | 8,382 | 1,717 | -3.8 | -10.6 | 597 |
| May | 10.707 | 9,450 | 10.312 | 9,106 | 1,206 | 2.1 | 8.6 | . 511 |
| June | 10,975 | 10,604 | 10,307 | 9.967 | 340 | 0.0 | 9.5 | -865 |
| July | 9,652 | 9.468 | 10.165 | 9,417 | 748 | -1.4 | -5.5 | 408 |
| August | 9,460 | 8.497 | 10,422 | 9,149 | 1,273 | 2.5 | -2.8 | 525 |
| September | 10,804 | 9,500 | 10,488 | 9,736 | 752 | 0.6 | 6.4 | -521 |
| October | 11,562 | 10,073 | 11.045 | 9,907 | 1,138 | 5.3 | 1.8 | 387 |
| November | 11,560 | 10,624 | 11.260 | 10,583 | 677 | 1.9 | 6.8 | . 461 |
| Year-to-date |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1986 | 110,582 | 101,636 | 110,369 | 100,747 | 9,622 | 1.0 | 7.7 | -6,167 |
| 1987 | 115,331 | 104,931 | 115,024 | 104,074 | 10,950 | 4.2 | 3.3 | 1,328 |

[^0]Note: Due to rounding monthly data may not add up to quarterly data and quarterly data may not add up to annual data.

Table 2
Merchandise Trade by Principal Trading Areas
November 1987
Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis

|  | Oct. | Nov. | Period-to-period change |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Year-to- } \\ \text { date } \end{array}$ | Change over previous year |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Oct. | Nov. | Oct. | Nov. |  |  |  |
|  | \$ millions |  | \% | \% | \$ millions |  | \$ millions | \% | \$ millions |
| Exports to: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States | 8.435 .3 | 8.528 .8 | 2.6 | 1.1 | 213.9 | 93.5 | 88.104 .2 | 2.5 | 2,138.2 |
| Japan | 741.7 | 611.9 | 22.9 | . 17.5 | 138.0 | -129.8 | 6.096 .3 | 12.7 | $\bigcirc 687.5$ |
| United Kingdom | 224.5 | 270.3 | 5.1 | 20.4 | 11.0 | 45.9 | 2.793 .5 | 11.8 | 295.4 |
| Other EEC Countries | 479.6 | 665.0 | 0.4 | 38.7 | 1.8 | 185.4 | 5.812 .0 | 19.4 | 943.9 |
| Other OECD Countries* | 195.9 | 231.5 | 2.4 | 18.2 | 4.6 | 35.6 | 2,257.6 | 12.4 | 248.9 |
| Other Countries | 968.5 | 952.4 | 24.1 | -1.7 | 188.3 | -16.1 | 9,960.4 | 3.5 | 340.9 |
| Total | 11,045.4 | 11,260.0 | 5.3 | 1.9 | 557.6 | 214.5 | [15,024.0 | 4.2 | 4.654.8 |
| Imports from: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States | 6,781.2 | 7.302 .5 | 0.6 | 7.7 | 42.1 | 521.3 | 71,179.4 | 2.0 | 1,410.9 |
| Japan | 679.2 | 712.8 | 23.4 | 5.0 | 129.0 | 33.6 | 6,810.4 | -1.4 | -98.1 |
| United Kingdom* | 336.6 | 447.5 | 2.0 | 32.9 | 6.5 | 110.8 | 4,113.2 | 25.9 | 845.2 |
| Other EEC Countries | 708.5 | 800.9 | -6.8 | 13.0 | -51.4 | 92.4 | 8,224.6 | 0.1 | 6.2 |
| Other OECD Countries* | 267.3 | 237.1 | -4.4 | -11.3 | -12.4 | -30.2 | 2,861.9 | 10.5 | 271.5 |
| Other Countries* | 1,134.0 | 1.081 .7 | 5.3 | -4.6 | 57.2 | -52.3 | 10,884.8 | 8.9 | 891.0 |
| Total | 9,906.8 | 10,582.5 | 1.8 | 6.8 | 171.0 | 675.7 | 104,074.2 | 3.3 | 3,326.8 |
| Balance with: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States | 1,654.2 | 1,226.3 |  |  | 171.8 | -427.8 | 16.924.8 |  | 727.3 |
| Japan | 62.5 | -101.0 |  |  | 9.1 | -163.4 | -714.1 |  | 785.6 |
| United Kingdom | -112.2 | -177.1 |  |  | 4.5 | -65.0 | -1,319.7 |  | -549.8 |
| Other EEC Countries | -228.9 | -135.9 |  |  | 53.2 | 93.1 | -2,412.5 |  | 937.7 |
| Other OECD Countries* | -71.4 | -5.6 |  |  | 17.0 | 65.8 | -604.3 |  | -22.5 |
| Other Countries | -165.5 | -129.3 |  |  | 131.1 | 36.1 | -924.4 |  | -550.2 |
| Total | 1,138.6 | 677.4 |  |  | 386.6 | . 461.2 | 10,949.8 |  | 1,328.0 |

* Series has no seasonality. Figures are unadjusted.

Note: Beginning with 1986 Portugal and Spain are included in the EEC.

Table 3
Exports by Commodity Groupings
November 1987
Balance of Payments Basis

|  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  | Raw values <br> Percentage changes |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Year-to-date |  |  |  |  |
|  | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Value | \% change | Nov. '87/ <br> Nov. ${ }^{8} 8$ | Nov. '86/ <br> Nov. '85 | Nov. ${ }^{85}$ / <br> Nov. ${ }^{84}$ |
|  |  | \$ millio |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agricultural and fishing products | 932.2 | 1,002.5 | 981.5 | 10,733.7 | 8.4 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| Wheat | 188.1 | 324.9 | 272.2 | 2,942.5 | 14.2 | .0.7 | -22.3 | 20.3 |
| Other agricultural and fishing products | 744.1 | 677.6 | 709.3 | 7,791.1 | 6.4 | 4.4 | 15.0 | -8.9 |
| Energy products | 977.1 | 1,211.3 | 1,136.8 | 11,555.9 | 10.0 | 38.9 | . 40.2 | 4.0 |
| Crude petroleum* | 415.9 | 452.4 | 485.0 | 4,536.1 | 30.6 | 64.0 | . 41.1 | 24.3 |
| Natural gas | 217.0 | 225.1 | 227.3 | 2,351.0 | -0.3 | 21.9 | -38.2 | -9.8 |
| Other energy products | 344.3 | 533.7 | 424.5 | 4,668.9 | -0.1 | 26.4 | -40.4 | -1.9 |
| Forestry products | t.862.0 | 1,726.1 | 1,881.1 | 18,607.2 | 18.0 | 37.0 | 1.3 | -2.4 |
| Lumber and sawmill products | 736.1 | 672.0 | 749.4 | 6,789.0 | 15.9 | 78.0 | -16.8 | 0.7 |
| Wood pulp and other wood products | 446.6 | 407.3 | 482.6 | 4,844.2 | 35.6 | 35.0 | 30.4 | -26.6 |
| Newsprint and other paper and paperboard | 679.3 | 646.9 | 649.1 | 6.974 .0 | 10.1 | 11.5 | 2.9 | 11.2 |
| Industrial goods and materials | 2,053.9 | 2,279.1 | 2,275.9 | 22,499.8 | 4.6 | 1.2 | 33.1 | -14.6 |
| Metal ores | 331.3 | 522.9 | 451.6 | 4,151.8 | 9.7 | 5.8 | 47.5 | -34.9 |
| Chemicals, plastics and fertilizers | 470.7 | 488.5 | 537.8 | 5.145 .8 | 11.9 | 36.4 | 5.3 | .8.3 |
| Metals and alloys | 814.6 | 839.4 | 811.2 | 8,376.8 | 0.4 | -18.7 | 65.6 | -14.7 |
| Other industrial goods and materials | 437.3 | 428.3 | 475.3 | 4.825.5 | 0.6 | 12.6 | -1.0 | 1.6 |
| Machinery and equipment | 1,681.7 | 1,648.2 | 1,865.4 | 17,993.4 | 4.4 | 14.1 | 17.8 | -4.2 |
| Industrial and agricultural machinery | 422.0 | 368.4 | 378.4 | 4.110 .9 | 0.4 | -14.6 | 36.9 | -6.8 |
| Aircraft and other transportation equip. | 355.4 | 325.2 | 461.7 | 4.170 .7 | -3.4 | 26.3 | 8.4 | 0.7 |
| Other machinery and equipment | 904.2 | 954.5 | 1,025.3 | 9,711.8 | 10.1 | 24.6 | 13.2 | . 4.8 |
| Automotive products | 2,527.0 | 2,542.1 | 2,668.2 | 28,695.0 | -8.8 | -3.6 | 4.1 | 18.4 |
| Passenger autos and chassis | 1.098 .5 | 1,098.9 | 1,201.5 | 12,393.1 | -21.8 | -21.8 | 12.1 | 26.8 |
| Trucks and other motor vehicles | 540.9 | 476.0 | 560.1 | 5,724.5 | 10.3 | 114.2 | -51.6 | 11.4 |
| Motor vehicle parts | 887.6 | 967.2 | 906.6 | 10,577.4 | 1.5 | -4.3 | -2.0 | 10.7 |
| Other consumer goods | 217.4 | 216.9 | 223.4 | 2,410.9 | 10.4 | 8.7 | 23.3 | 5.9 |
| Special transactions trade* | 33.1 | 30.3 | 31.1 | 338.3 | 12.3 | 15.9 | -21.4 | 3.2 |
| Unallocated BOP adjustments* | 203.5 | 389.1 | 196.6 | 2,189.8 | 44.8 | 44.7 | 5.8 | -14.5 |
| Total | 10,487.8 | 11,045.4 | 11,260.0 | 115,024.0 | 4.2 | 10.1 | 1.8 | 1.7 |

* Series has no seasonality. Figures are unadjusted.

Short-Term Trend of Export Value Index, Major Country Groupings (Monthly, 1985 to 1987)
Index (average of 1985) = 100


Table 4
Imports by Commodity Groupings
November 1987
Balance of Payments Basis

|  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  | Raw values <br> Percentage changes |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Year-to-date |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Value | \% change | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. }{ }^{\prime} 871 \\ & \text { Nov. } 86 \end{aligned}$ | Nov. '86/ Nov. '85 | Nov. ${ }^{851}$ <br> Nov. '84 |
| \$ millions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agricultural and fishing products | 388.8 | 617.5 | 665.1 | 6,737.2 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 21.3 | -5. 7 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 188.5 | 210.0 | 223.4 | 2.258 .1 | 4.6 | 7.1 | 8.0 | 3.3 |
| Other agricultural and fishing products | 400.3 | 407.5 | 441.7 | 4,479.2 | 1.0 | -0.3 | 28.1 | -9.8 |
| Energy products | 524.8 | 529.1 | 589.7 | 5,321.5 | 15.4 | 81.7 | -40.2 | 3.3 |
| Crude petroleum* | 310.5 | 328.1 | 323.5 | 3.166 .6 | 28.3 | 129.5 | . 54.1 | 22.4 |
| Other energy products | 214.3 | 201.0 | 266.2 | 2.154 .9 | 0.6 | 47.3 | -23.6 | -12.9 |
| Forestry products | 106.3 | 103.5 | 101.5 | 1,060.3 | 13.5 | 1.5 | 35.8 | -0.2 |
| Industrial goods and materials | 1,782.1 | 1,852.7 | 1,981.4 | 18,918.0 | 6.1 | 25.7 | -4,1 | 13.8 |
| Metals and metal ores | 534.7 | 579.9 | 657.8 | 5,553.5 | 1.6 | 43.6 | -15.8 | 40.3 |
| Chemicals and plastics | 533.7 | 540.7 | 556.6 | 5,681.4 | 7.0 | 13.2 | 7.9 | 4.5 |
| Other industrial goods and materials | 713.7 | 732.1 | 767.0 | 7,683.1 | 9.0 | 22.3 | -2.6 | 10.9 |
| Machinery and equipment | 2,785.8 | 2,691.5 | 2,979.0 | 29,860.1 | 5.1 | 13.3 | 9.5 | 3.4 |
| Industrial and agricultural machinery | 962.9 | 914.3 | 982.8 | 10,266.8 | 3.6 | 13.2 | -2.7 | 21.6 |
| Aircraft and other transportation equip. | 377.3 | 292.8 | 392.8 | 3,808.7 | -5.8 | -3.3 | 36.8 | -10.3 |
| Office machines and equipment | 453.4 | 452.6 | 467.9 | 4,773.3 | 19.4 | 28.4 | 11.0 | -18.8 |
| Other machinery and equipment | 992.2 | 1,031.8 | 1,135.6 | 11,011.3 | 5.3 | 13.3 | 12.5 | 4.1 |
| Automotive products | 2,798.7 | 2,941.4 | 3,006.7 | 29,585.3 | -3.2 | 8.4 | -1.7 | 45.0 |
| Passenger autos and chassis | 1,210.3 | 1,243.4 | 1,085.0 | 11.260 .7 | 0.5 | 7.6 | 3.8 | 68.9 |
| Trucks and other motor vehicles | 309.5 | 353.5 | 326.2 | 3,535.5 | 8.8 | 2.9 | 15.0 | 31.6 |
| Motor vehicle parts | 1.278 .9 | 1,344.5 | 1,595.5 | 14,789.1. | .8.1 | 10.1 | -8.0 | 35.6 |
| Other consumer goods | 1,022.4 | 1,075.4 | 1,124.2 | 11;504.4 | 5.2 | 17.1 | 2.5 | 2.4 |
| Apparel and footwear | 262.3 | 273.5 | 272.8 | 2,857.7 | 9.3 | 20.6 | 6.8 | 4.8 |
| Miscellaneous consumer goods | 760.0 | 801.9 | 851.4 | 8,646.7 | 4.0 | 16.3 | 1.6 | 1.9 |
| Special transactions trade | 190.5 | 165.5 | 190.7 | 1,802.4 | 13.6 | 33.6 | 0.6 | 9.0 |
| Unallocated BOP adjustments* | .63.5 | -69.9 | -55.6 | .715.0 | 2.2 | -13.3 | -6.3 | -69.6 |
| Total | 9,735.8 | 9,906.8 | 10,582.5 | 104,074.2 | 3.3 | 16.3 | 0.5 | 17.9 |

*Series has no seasonality. Figures are unadjusted.
Short-Term Trend of Import Value Index,
Major Country Groupings (Monthly, 1985 to 1987)
Index (average of 1985) $=100$


Table 5
Merchandise Trade of Canada
Constant Dollars and Laspeyres Price Indexes
November 1987
Seasonally adjusted, Balance of Payment basis

|  | Constant (1981) dollars ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  | Unit value thaspeyres) price inderes ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Period-to-period change ${ }^{+}$ |  | $1981=100.0$ |  | Period-to-period change ${ }^{4}$ |  |
|  | Exports ${ }^{3}$ | Imports | Exports ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Imports | Exports ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Imports | Exports: | Imports |
|  | \$ millions |  | \% |  |  |  | \% |  |
| 1982 | 84,001 | 64,408 | -0.5 | -16.4 | 100.8 | 104.3 | 0.8 | 4.3 |
| 1983 | 90,194 | 71,526 | 7.4 | 11.1 | 110.8 | 103.7 | 0.0 | . 0.6 |
| 1984 | 108.170 | 85,499 | 19.9 | 19.5 | 104.6 | 109.6 | 3.8 | 5.8 |
| 1985 | 115,136 | 93,860 | 6.4 | 9.8 | 105.6 | 113.6 | 1.0 | 3.6 |
| 1986 | 120.076 | 101,399 | 4.3 | 8.0 | 103.6 | 113.0 | -1.9 | -0.6 |
| 1985 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 28,743 | 22.233 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 105.0 | 112.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Second quarter | 28,716 | 22,946 | -0.1 | 3.2 | 106.5 | 114.2 | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| Third quarter | 28.035 | 24,088 | -2.4 | 5.0 | 106.2 | 113.6 | -0.3 | -0.5 |
| Fourth quarter | 29,642 | 24,593 | 5.7 | 2.1 | 105.6 | 115.1 | -0.5 | 1.3 |
| 1986 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 29,621 | 25,302 | -0.1 | 2.9 | 104.8 | 115.7 | . 0.8 | 0.6 |
| Second quarter | 29,525 | 24,322 | -0.3 | -3.9 | 103.3 | 112.5 | -1.3 | -2.8 |
| Third quarter | 30,000 | 25.596 | 1.6 | 5.2 | 103.3 | \$12.6 | .0.1 | 0.1 |
| Fourth quarter | 30,929 | 26,180 | 3.1 | 2.3 | 103.7 | 112.9 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| 1987 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 31,475 | 26,360 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 102.3 | 111.6 | -1.4 | -1.2 |
| Second quarter | 31,374 | 26,126 | -0.3 | -0.9 | 104.1 | 112.5 | 1.7 | 0.8 |
| Third quarter | 31,649 | 27,234 | 0.9 | 4.2 | 105.4 | 113.2 | 1.3 | 0.6 |
| 1986 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 10,359 | 8,717 | 4.4 | 5.5 | 105.6 | 116.8 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| February | 9,682 | 8.716 | -6.5 | 0.0 | 104.8 | 116.0 | -0.8 | -0.6 |
| March | 9.580 | 7.870 | -1.1 | -9.7 | 103.8 | 113.6 | . 0.9 | -2.1 |
| April | 10,216 | 7,836 | 6.6 | -0.4 | 103.3 | 112.4 | -0.5 | -1.1 |
| May | 9,761 | 8.124 | -4.5 | 3.7 | 103.1 | 112.4 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| June | 9.549 | 8.361 | -2.2 | 2.9 | 103.8 | 112.5 | 0.7 | 0.1 |
| July | 9,896 | 8.849 | 3.6 | 5.8 | 103.2 | 112.3 | -0.6 | -0.2 |
| August | 9,735 | 8,239 | -1.6 | -6.9 | 103.1 | 112.4 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| September | 10,369 | 8.507 | 6.5 | 3.3 | 103.5 | 113.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 |
| October | 10.191 | 8.736 | -1.7 | 2.7 | 104.1 | 113.1 | 0.6 | -0.2 |
| Novernber | 10,342 | 8.483 | 1.5 | -2.9 | 103.8 | 112.9 | ${ }_{-0.3}$ | -0.2 |
| December | 10,396 | 8,961 | 0.5 | 5.6 | 103.3 | 113.0 | $-0.5$ | 0.0 |
| 1987 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 10.200 | 8.720 | -1.9 | -2.7 | 102.7 | 112.3 | -0.6 | -0.5 |
| February | 10,488 | 8,720 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 102.3 | 111.6 | .0.3 | -0.7 |
| March | 10,786 | 8,920 | 2.8 | 2.3 | 102.2 | 111.1 | -0.2 | -0.5 |
| April | 10.426 | 8,064 | -3.3 | -9.6 | 102.7 | 111.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| May | 10.523 | 8.561 | 0.9 | 6.2 | 104.4 | 112.9 | 1.6 | 1.6 |
|  | 10.426 | 9.501 | -0.9 | 11.0 | 105.2 | 113.7 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| July | 10,324 | 9,022 | $-1.0$ | -5.0 | 105.2 | 113.1 | 0.1 | -0.5 |
| August | 10.671 | 8,825 | 3.4 | -2.2 | 105.5 | 113.7 | 0.2 | 0.5 |
| September | 10,654 | 9.388 | -0.2 | 6.4 | 105.6 | 113.0 | 0.1 | -0.6 |
|  | 11,368 | 9.526 | 6.7 | 1.5 | 105.9 | 112.7 | 0.3 | -0.3 |
| November | 11,299 | 10,128 | -0.6 | 6.3 | 107.1 | 113.1 | 1.2 | 0.4 |
| Year-to-date |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1986 | 109,680 | 92,438 | 4.2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1987 | 117,165 | 99,373 | 6.8 | 7.5 |  |  |  |  |

1 The Paasche current weighted price index used to calculate constant dollars can be derived by dividing current values in table 1 by the constant dollars above.
2 The Laspeyres price index uses fixed weights based on 1981 trade and therefore reflects changes in price only.
3 Exports $=$ domestic exports + re-exports.

+ Year-to-year,quarter-to-quarter, month-to-month.
Note: Due to rounding monthly data may not add up to quarterly data and quarterly data may not add up to annual data.


[^0]:    Exports $=$ Domestic Exports + Re-exports.
    Year-to-year,quarter-to-quarter, month-to-month.
    Seasonally Adjusted.

