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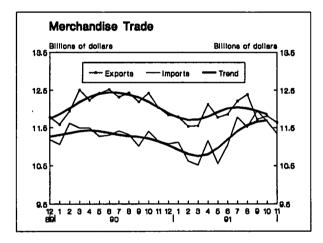
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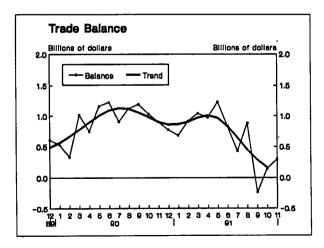
HIGHLIGHTS

- Seasonally adjusted exports fell by \$178 million in November 1991 to \$11.6 billion, their lowest level since March.
- Decreases were registered for exports of automotive products (-\$162 million), machinery and equipment (-\$146 million), and industrial goods and materials (-\$34 million).
- Seasonally adjusted imports fell by \$325 million to \$11.3 billion.
- Imports of industrial goods fell by \$139 million, while automotive products decreased by \$102 million; decreases were also posted for energy products and machinery and equipment.
- As a result of the larger decline in imports relative to exports, the trade balance increased to \$294 million, compared to the \$147 million surplus observed for October. Despite this improvement, the surplus was still significantly lower than the monthly average of \$689 million recorded for the first ten months of 1991.

Canada's merchandise trade balance improved from \$147 million recorded in October to \$294 million in November 1991. However, not only was this substantially lower than the monthly average of \$689 million recorded for the first ten months of 1991 but it resulted from imports falling even faster than exports.

Exports fell by \$178 million to \$11.6 billion, more than offsetting the month-to-month increase in October and marking the lowest level posted since March 1991. Imports dropped for the second consecutive time, by \$325 million relatively to October and by \$618 million from September.





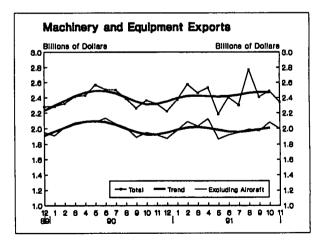
Commodity Analysis Exports

(All figures are seasonally adjusted)

For exports, a number of key commodity groupings showed either a slowdown in their rate of increase or else reversed upward movements. Among the more volatile commodity groupings, exports of agricultural products and of energy products remained practically at the same level as in October (with increases of \$3 million and \$5 million respectively); exports of aircraft showed a sharper decline (\$61 million compared to a previous decline of \$18 million); and exports of automotive products changed from an increase of \$100 million recorded in October to a decline of \$162 million.

Among the steadier commodity groupings the pattern of change was somewhat different. The outstanding exception was exports of forestry products which went up by \$63 million compared to a previous decline of \$82 million.

Exports of industrial goods and materials continued to drop (-\$34 million) but only by about the rate recorded previously. Exports of consumer goods showed a very modest increase. In contrast, exports of machinery and equipment other than aircraft decreased by \$84 million after a previous upward change of \$96 million.

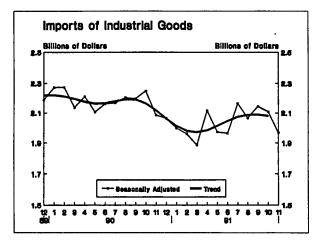


Monthly Summary

Imports

Imports behaved quite differently. The volatile commodity groupings contributed much less to the overall decline than in the previous month. Imports of agricultural goods, aircraft and imports on account of special transactions all showed positive changes (\$12 million, \$55 million, and \$48 million respectively). But, these changes were more than offset by declines in the import of energy products (-\$74 million) and of automotive products (-\$102 million).

The less volatile groupings contributed substantially more to the overall decline. Industrial goods and materials showed a drop of \$139 million; machinery and equipment other than aircraft decreased by \$108 million and imports of consumer goods by \$30 million. Only imports of forestry products went up by a marginal \$6 million.



Underlying Trends

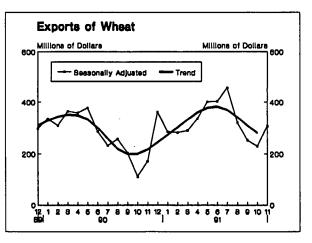
Exports

Even after seasonal adjustment, merchandise trade figures are irregular and the sharpness of their month to month movements obscures what are at times strong underlying trends. The following analysis is based on further smoothing of the seasonally adjusted time series and is shown as ending in October in the graphs.

Taken as a whole, exports have continued the downward trend started in mid-summer but at a faster rate (almost one per cent). This movement was the composite effect of different patterns of change both within each of the major commodity groupings and among them.

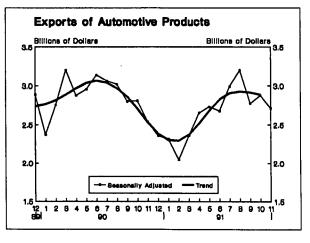
Exports of agricultural products, after peaking in May, have been coming down steadily by almost 3 per

cent per month in the last three months. This is the result of a rapid fall in the exports of wheat (almost 10 per cent a month) only partly offset by a very slow increase in the exports of all other agricultural products. Among energy products, which are now 2 to 3 per cent above the low attained in the summer, exports of crude petroleum have taken the lead with increases averaging almost 3 per cent a month. In comparison, exports of natural gas and of other energy products, which together account for more than half of the sales under this heading, have tended to show little change since mid-year.



Exports of automotive goods, which started a recovery from a low point reached in February 1991, seem to have peaked in August and either remained stable or else show a slight tendency to decline. The latest figures suggest their level is comparable to where they were at the end of the first quarter of 1990 and some 6 per cent below the high point they reached later that year. But this masks important differences.

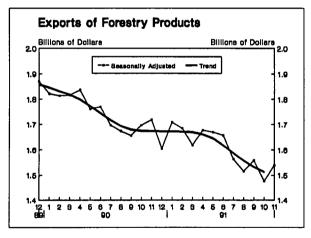
In particular, the erosion of sales in the US market of passenger autos and chassis has continued and accel-



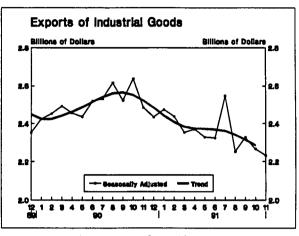
erated to a decline of almost 3 per cent monthly. Interestingly, exports of trucks show the exact opposite movement: they started to increase in early 1991 and show no signs of interruption. Exports of parts behaved in much the same fashion, albeit at a fractionally slower rate. Together, parts and trucks account for about half of exports of all automotive products.

The exports of aircraft and other transportation equipment, after a significant increase, reached a plateau in the third quarter of 1991 and showed signs of trend reversal.

Among the steadier commodity groupings there were not many encouraging developments. Exports of forestry products continued an uninterrupted decline averaging some 20 per cent over a period of 22 months. Exports of lumber and sawmill products and of newsprint behaved differently. In the case of the former, a partial recovery got underway in the beginning of 1991 but after gaining almost 10 per cent relatively to its low point, started to falter. The trend in these exports has been declining at just over one per cent monthly since June. As for newsprint, its recovery actually surpassed the previous peak but since March 1991 exports have been edging down by less than one per cent a month.



The situation with industrial goods and materials is not promising. Exports of metal ores, which alone account for one sixth of the commodity grouping, are now 25 per cent below their mid-summer 1990 peak and the decline shows no signs of abating. The increases in exports of chemicals, plastics and fertilizers continued without interruption throughout 1990 but since January exports of these commodities have been declining steadily to find themselves at their level of almost two years ago. Exports of metals and alloys, which account for 40 per cent of the grouping, have been coming down by less than one per cent monthly since the third quarter of 1990. A miscellaneous group of industrial goods and materials worth about a sixth of the total has remained relatively stable in 1991.



Among the exports of machinery and equipment other than aircraft, the encouraging news is signalled by exports of machinery other than industrial and agricultural. Not only do they account for the majority of exports (almost 60 per cent) but they are almost back to where they were at the height of the 1990 peak. Industrial and agricultural machinery, however, continue to show declining exports at the rate of more than one per cent a month since June 1991.

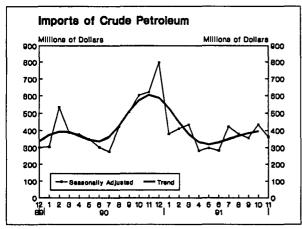
An analysis of the underlying trend in exports as suggested by the latest figures shows reductions in sales to all major markets. The principal change took place in Canadian exports to the United States. After a recovery of about 5 per cent from the low point reached in early 1991, exports were fractionally down. The United States accounts for as much as three quarters of total Canadian exports.

The changes recorded in sales to other major partners confirmed previous trends - all downward. Exports to the United Kingdom, to other European Community countries, and to countries outside the O.E.C.D. were down by close to 3 per cent. Exports to Japan and to other O.E.C.D. non-Community countries dropped by 2 per cent. The decline in exports to the United Kingdom started late in 1990; for other trade partners, the trend reversal took place more recently - three to five months before the latest figures.

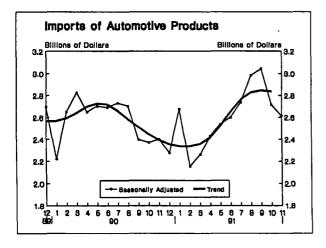
Imports

Imports show signs of a strong upward trend started in the second quarter of 1991 that has come to a virtual standstill. The latest monthly increase on a trend basis is of no more than a third of one per cent. At mid-year, comparable changes were of the order of two per cent.

Imports of both agricultural and energy products are small. The former continue to be stable. The latter even though increasing rapidly are still well below (33 per cent) the high recorded during the Gulf crisis.



Automotive imports show very different characteristics from the corresponding groups in exports. Imports of passenger cars are still rising and by more than one per cent a month. The current high has no precedent. The same applies to imports of trucks which are now some 11 per cent above their pre-recession peak reached in the spring of 1990. The disquieting news is borne by imports of parts which, after a vigorous recovery, started in January of 1991, peaked in July and have been edging down since. The latest drop was of almost 3 per cent.



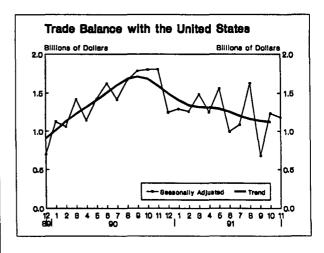
Imports of aircraft have shown decreases since the spring but, in spite of the latest results, are now at the level reached in early 1990, well above the low recorded for this class of imports.

Imports of machinery and equipment other than aircraft, which account for a substantial proportion of domestic investment in equipment, were among the few showing encouraging results for the month. Together, office machines and equipment and other machines and equipment (which exclude industrial and agricultural) continued to increase rapidly and are now well above the 1990 peak level (by some 7 per cent). But imports of industrial and agricultural machinery, after increasing by 3 per cent between the first and the third quarters of 1991, dropped for the second time running, admittedly by only one per cent.

Imports of consumer goods increased by more than 10 per cent since early in 1991 and were still running at more than one per cent a month. Of its two components, imports of apparel and footwear were advancing fastest in relative and absolute terms.

The latest trends for imports by principal partners suggest different patterns. Imports from the United States reached a low in late 1990, recovered by about 9 per cent towards the end of the third quarter 1991, and seem to have settled at the high level reached one month earlier. Imports from the United States represent seven tenths of total Canadian imports.

In the case of other suppliers, imports from both Japan and the United Kingdom were almost unchanged from the level reached in the previous month. For the United Kingdom, current levels have been virtually the same for the past seven months. Not so for Japan, where



a sustained upward trend started in mid-1990 seems to have fizzled out in the last two or so months.

Imports from other European Community countries and from non-O.E.C.D. countries showed continued increases of the order of one per cent per month. Countries outside the O.E.C.D. account for almost 12 per cent of total imports.

Price Movements

Exports

The price index for total exports rose by 0.4% in November. This was the second consecutive monthly increase and a reversal of a downward trend started in December 1990. Prices for all main commodity groupings increased. The exception was machinery and equipment which decreased by 1.7% primarily because of lower prices for office machines and equipment. The largest price increase was recorded for energy products (4.2%) driven by a jump of 8.9% in the price of natural gas. The index for forestry products moved up by 1.1% with higher prices for lumber and sawmill products (2.2%) and newsprint and other paper (2.4%), but prices for wood pulp and other wood products decreased by 1.4%. The index for industrial goods and materials increased by 0.7%, prices of automotive products edged up slightly by 0.2%.

Imports

The price index for total imports increased by 0.7% in November. The strongest gain was recorded for automotive products (3.6%), mainly because of higher prices for imports of passenger autos. The index for "other consumer goods" rose by 1.6% with higher prices for apparel and footwear (2.7%). The index for industrial goods and materials increased by 0.9% as the index for metals and metal ores moved up by 4.7%. The index for energy products with a drop of 5.4% outpaced a decrease of 4.9% recorded in the price of the crude petroleum component.

Table 1 Merchandise Trade of Canada November 1991

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			Raw	Values			Seasonally	Adjusted		
					<u></u>			Perio	od-to-perio	d change
<u></u>	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Balance	Exports	Imports	Balance
			\$ mill	ions				%	%	\$ millions
1985	119,474	104,355	119,061	102,669	119,061	102,669	16,392	6.9	12.2	-3,446
1986	120,670	112,511	120,318	110,374	120,317	110,374	9,943	1.1	7.5	-6,449
1987	125,087	116,239	126,340	115,119	126,340	115,119	11,222	5.0	4.3	1,279
1988	138,498	131,172	138,742	128,321	138,742	128,321	10,421	9.8	11.5	-801
1989	138,701	135,191	141,768	134,673	141,768	134,673	7,095	2.2	5.0	-3,326
1990	148,665	136,224	146,482	135,557	146,482	135,557	10,926	3.3	0.7	3,83(
1989										
First quarter	34,684	33,753	35,817	33,542	36,703	33,377	3,326	5.4	2.4	1,078
Second quarter	36,345	36,434	37,030	36,087	35,097	33,906	1,191	-4.4	1.6	-2,13
Third quarter	32,291	31,444	32,852	31,623	34,879	33,740	1,139	-0.6	-0.5	-53
Fourth quarter	35,381	33,560	36,069	33,422	35,089	33,650	1,439	0.6	-0.3	300
1990	55,501	55,500	50,007	55,125	55,005	55,050	.,	0.0	0.5	
First quarter	36,181	35,171	35,579	34,944	36,037	34,166	1,871	2.7	1.5	432
Second quarter	39,239	35,852	38,761	35,576	37,186	34,058	3,128	3.2	-0.3	1,257
Third quarter	35,304	31,354	34,772	31,566	36,952	33,738	3,214	-0.6	-0.9	1,25
Fourth quarter	37,941	33,847	37,371	33,471	36,308	33,595	2,712	-0.0	-0.9	-502
1991	57,941	33,047	37,371	33,471	30,308	33,393	2,712	-1.7	-0.4	-304
First quarter	34,890	32,553	33,984	32,492	34,874	32,233	2,640	-3.9	-4.1	-72
Second quarter	38,255	34,945	37,488	34,471	35,766	32,729	3,036	2.6	1.5	396
Third quarter	35,010	33,269	34,528	33,256	36,328	35,262	1,066	1.6	7.7	-1,970
1990										
January	11,394	10,826	11,161	10,682	11,582	11,054	528	-1.7	-1.1	-74
February	11,474	11,385	11,373	11,425	11,946	11,620	326	3.1	5.1	-203
March	13,312	12,961	13,046	12,838	12,509	11,492	1,017	4.7	-1.1	693
April	12,313	11,602	12,112	11,560	12,242	11,489	753	-2.1	0.0	-264
May	13,773	12,385	13,590	12,405	12,422	11,266	1,156	1.5	-1.9	40
June	13,153	11,866	13,059	11,611	12,522	11,303	1,219	0.8	0.3	6
July	11,213	10,080	11,116	10,085	12,322	11,412	910	-1.6	1.0	-30
August	11,807	10,949	11,567	11,083	12,436	11,319	1,118	0.9	-0.8	20
September	12,284	10,325	12,089	10,397	12,194	11,007	1,187	-1.9	-2.8	7
October	13,847	12,293	13,574	12,218	12,429	11,399	1,031	1.9	3.6	-15
November	12,676	11,522	12,558	11,439	12,036	11,132	903	-3.2	-2.3	-12
December	11,418	10,032	11,238	9,814	11,843	11,064	778	-1.6	-0.6	-12
1991										
January	11,652	11,009	11,350	10,912	11,789	11,105	685	-0.5	0.4	-94
February	11,255	10,331	10,939	10,411	11,534	10,618	916	-2.2	-4.4	23
March	11,984	11,213	11,695	11,169	11,551	10,511	1,040	0.1	-1.0	12
April	12,708	11,909	12,448	11,608	12,127	11,153	975	5.0	6.1	-6
May	13,067	11,780	12,757	11,597	11,778	10,551	1,227	-2.9	-5.4	25
June	12,480	11,255	12,283	11,266	11,860	11,026	835	0.7	4.5	-39:
July	11,243	10,762	11,029	10,703	12,213	11,787	426	3.0	6.9	-40
August	11,941	11,092	11,753	11,192	12,394	11,512	882	1.5	-2.3	45
September	11,826	11,415	11,746	11,362	11,721	11,963	-242	-5.4	3.9	-1,124
October	13,064	12,859	12,883	12,762	11,816	11,669	147	0.8	-2.5	38
November	12,303	11,675	12,061	11,467	11,638	11,345	294	-1.5	-2.8	14
Year-to-date										
1990	137,246	126,192	135,244	125,742	134,640	124,493	10,147	3.5	0.8	3,65
1991	133,522	125,299	130,944	124,448	130,421	123,238	7,183	-3.1	-1.0	-2,96

Note: Due to rounding, monthly data may not add up to quarterly data and quarterly data may not add up to annual data.

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Revisions to Published Data

On a seasonally adjusted basis, October exports were revised by \$129 million, as a result of additional customs information and changes to Balance of Payments adjustments. Imports were revised upwards as well, and are now \$51 million higher than originally published. As a result of these changes, the trade balance for October has been revised from \$69 million to \$147 million.

Revisions to September data resulted in an upward revision to the trade balance of \$44 million. This revision was not sufficient to eliminate the deficit for that month - the balance for September stands at minus \$242 million. August data were almost unchanged from what was published last month. However, a rather large revision was made to July data, almost entirely as a result of the inclusion of updated figures for exports of crude petroleum. Imports for July remained virtually the same, resulting in an upward revision to the trade surplus of \$96 million.

For more detailed information on these revisions, please contact the International Trade Division at the numbers listed at the beginning of this publication.

Table 2 Merchandise Trade by Principal Trading Areas November 1991 Balance of Payments Basis Seasonally Adjusted

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			Pe	riod-to-pe	riod chang	ge		ርъ	ange over
	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Year-to-date Total		previous year
	\$ mi	llions	%	%	\$ mi	llions	\$ millions	%	\$ million
Exports to:									
United States	9,204	8,973	1.5	-2.5	136	-231	98,939	-2.7	-2,737
United Kingdom	203	243	-14.9	20.0	-36	41	2,776	-13.7	-439
E.E.C. 86 excl. U.K.	614	640	-8.4	4.2	-56	26	7,733	-0.4	-33
Japan	553	511	21.3	-7.6	97	-42	6,250	-11.8	-83
Other O.E.C.D. 86 *	161	239	3.5	48.2	5	78	2,285	-29.6	-962
Other countries	1,081	1,032	-4.5	-4.5	-51	-49	12,438	6.8	788
Total	11,816	11,638	0.8	-1.5	96	-178	130,421	-3.1	-4,219
Imports from:									
United States	7,971	7,793	-4.9	-2.2	-414	-178	85,277	-0.2	-130
United Kingdom *	366	355	17.9	-3.1	56	-11	3,874	-12.9	-574
E.E.C. 86 excl. U.K.	846	800	0.5	-5.4	4	-45	8,775	-4.8	-444
Japan	709	743	-8.7	4.9	-68	35	7,921	-3.9	300
Other O.E.C.D. 86 *	402	397	12.6	-1.2	45	-5	4,029	-9.9	-44(
Other countries *	1,376	1,256	6.4	-8.7	83	-120	13,362	0.3	34
Total	11,669	11,345	2.5	-2.8	-294	-325	123,238	-1.0	-1,254
Balance with:									
United States	1,233	1,180			550	-53	13,662		-2,608
United Kingdom	-164	-112			-91	52	-1.099		134
E.E.C. 86 excl. U.K.	-232	-160			-60	71	-1,042		41
Japan	-155	-232			165	-77	-1,671		-1,135
Other O.E.C.D. 86 *	-241	-159			-39	83	-1,743		-52
Other countries	-241 -295	-224			-134	71	-924		-52
Total	147	294			389	147	7,183		-2.964

* Raw series

Table 2A Statistical Alignment of Canadian Exports to the United States with United States Imports from Canada Customs Basis November 1991

	\$ millions
Total Canadian exports to United States	9,439.2
Freight and other related charges incurred in bringing the merchandise to the Canadian border	-278.5
Canadian re-exports of goods of foreign origin to United States	-537.3
United States imports of goods of Canadian origin from other countries	31.5
Re-exports of U.S. goods returned through Canada and designated as Canadian origin by the U.S.	356.1
Monthly average exchange rate (\$US/\$Cdn)	1.1303
Total United States imports from Canada (Country of Origin and F.O.B. place of lading Basis)	7,972.3

Notes:

1. United States trade data includes Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.

2. Totals may not add due to rounding.

3. Readers interested in aligning Canadian imports from United States to United States exports to Canada should refer to the United States Department of Commerce News Release (FT900) or contact International Trade Division Data Dissemination Section at 613-951-9647.

		S	easonally ad	ljusted]	Raw valu	es
	•			Year-to	o-date	Perc	entage ch	nange
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Value	% change	Nov.'91/ Nov.'90		
		\$ 1	nillions					
AGRICULTURAL AND FISHING PRODUCTS	980	1,058	1,061	12,065	3.3	10.9	-14.0	1.8
Wheat	252	229	306	3,553	18.6	77.6	-47.8	4.2
Other agricultural and fishing products	728	829	755	8,512	-2.0	-4.8	1.5	0.8
ENERGY PRODUCTS	1,214	1,251	1,256	13.592	2.3	-17.7	54.0	7.3
Crude petroleum *	472	485	528	5,433	8.5	-28.4	107.8	30.4
Natural gas	297	299	283	3,203	-2.9	-11.5	28.9	0.3
Other energy products	445	467	445	4,956	-0.6	-5.7	22.1	-3.6
FORESTRY PRODUCTS	1,558	1,476	1,538	17,664	-8.3	-11.4	-8.9	-0.8
Lumber and sawmill products	500	482	531	5,634	-7.9	-7.2	-9.5	10.9
Woodpulp and other wood products	376	315	357	4,369	-20.3	-22.5	-19.2	-2.1
Newsprint and other paper and paperboard	682	678	651	7,661	0.0	-7.7	-0.5	-8.1
INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MATERIALS	2,328	2,266	2,233	25,918	-6.0	-11.3	-0.5	-8.4
Metal ores	288	366	343	4,077	-17.2	-16.3	-0.5	-16.9
Chemicals, plastics and fertilizers	580	554	507	6,324	-3.1	-20.0	14.8	-15.5
Metals and alloys	1.022	908	963	10,701	-2.5	-6.2	-4.9	-5.8
Other industrial goods and materials	438	438	420	4,817	-6.6	-6.1	-13.4	3.2
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	2,409	2,487	2,342	26,839	1.8	-0.8	3.5	11.4
Industrial and agricultural machinery	456	451	449	5,144	-6.5	-10.3	5.9	2.7
Aircraft and other transportation equipment	590	572	511	6,472	8.4	-11.7	7.3	45.5
Other machinery and equipment	1,363	1,464	1,381	15,223	2.3	7.4	1.1	4.7
AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS	2,776	2.876	2,714	29.344	-6.9	6.5	-14.0	-1.5
Passenger autos and chassis	1,437	1,451	1.234	15.045	0.6	-3.4	-4.7	12.0
Trucks and other motor vehicles	599	708	781	6,910	-9.5	30.3	-17.7	-9.7
Motor vehicle parts	740	716	699	7,389	-17.2	4.8	-26.4	-12.3
OTHER CONSUMER GOODS	246	250	260	2,736	6.3	3.0	13.3	-6.6
SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS TRADE	243	188	267	2,648	-6.7	-11.0	81.9	26.0
UNALLOCATED ADJUSTMENTS *	-33	-36	-32	-385	-15.7	-16.1	-41.9	7.6
TOTAL	11,721	11,816	11,638	130,421	-3.1	-4.0	0.1	0.3

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		S	easonally ad	justed			Raw valu	es
				Year-to	o-date	Perc	entage ch	nange
	Sept.	Oci.	Nov.	Value	% change	Nov.'91/ Nov.'90		Nov.'89/ Nov.'88
		\$ r	nillions					
AGRICULTURAL AND FISHING PRODUCTS Fruits and vegetables Other agricultural and fishing products	807 262 545	742 250 492	754 252 502	8,191 2,792 5,399	2.3 4.5 1.1	-1.5 1.9 -3.2	9.9 14.4 7.8	1.5 -1.7 3.0
ENERGY PRODUCTS Crude petroleum Other energy products	499 356 143	615 433 182	540 363 178	5,964 4,043 1,921	-16.8 -13.8 -22.6	-37.9 -40.1 -33.2	56.6 75.1 27.3	32.9 68.4 -0.3
FORESTRY PRODUCTS	108	100	106	1,118	-8.8	8.2	-19.0	10.4
INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MATERIALS Metals and metal ores Chemicals and plastics Other industrial goods and materials	2,141 488 759 895	2,107 487 700 919	1,968 458 687 823	22,336 5,421 7,611 9,304	-7.1 -16.1 -0.1 -6.6	-6.9 -23.6 0.8 -0.4	-4.5 2.2 -1.2 -11.3	3.0 -3.9 1.5 9.4
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT Industrial and agricultural machinery Aircraft and other transportation equipment Office machines and equipment Other machinery and equipment	3,665 925 378 626 1,737	3,683 925 424 577 1,757	3,631 925 479 604 1,623	39,142 10,158 4,998 6,278 17,709	-0.3 -12.5 12.2 8.9 1.5	5.2 -4.6 16.0 15.7 5.5	-6.6 -15.2 -8.9 -6.4 -0.3	4.7 1.1 -15.5 3.1 14.5
AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS Passenger autos and chassis Trucks and other motor vehicles Motor vehicle parts	3,044 1,136 387 1,521	2,715 1,075 324 1,316	2,613 1,064 343 1,206	28,744 10,856 3,414 14,475	1.4 10.2 7.4 -5.5	7.4 48.1 30.4 -15.0	-5.6 -24.7 -2.0 6.0	-10.0 -18.5 -14.0 -2.6
OTHER CONSUMER GOODS Apparel and footwear Miscellaneous consumer goods	1,458 316 1,142	1,470 315 1,155	1,440 331 1,108	15,147 3,164 11,983	3.9 -8.3 7.7	8.0 9.7 7.7	1.5 -7.5 3.6	12.3 31.9 8.5
SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS TRADE	316	322	370	3,427	27.5	27.7	27.1	-4.9
UNALLOCATED ADJUSTMENTS *	-75	-86	-77	-831	-1.5	1.9	-5.7	-0.6
TOTAL.	11,963	11,669	11,345	123,238	-1.0	0.2	-0.1	2.1

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Table 5 Merchandise Trade of Canada Constant Dollars, Laspeyres Price Indexes and Terms of Trade November 1991

Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis

	-	Constant 19	86 dollars ((1)		Laspeyres price index (2)						
				-to-period nge (4)		1986=100		Pe	riod-to-pe change (4	4)		
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Terms of Trade(3)	Exports	Imports	Terms of Trade(3)		
	\$ r	nillions		To					%			
1986	120,317	110,374		•••	100.0	100.0	100.0	•••		•••		
1987	124,665	117,271	3.6	6.2	101.8	98.8	103.1	1.8	-1.2	3.1		
1988	136,280	133,265	9.3	13.6	102.9	97.5	105.6	1.1	-1.4	2.5		
1989	137,765	139,680	1.1	4.8	104.8	97.9	107.1	1.8	0.4	1.4		
1990	143,995	139,159	4.5	-0.4	104.3	99.4	105.0	-0.5	1.5	-2.0		
1989												
First quarter	35,393	34,506	4.2	2.1	105.7	97.4	108.6	1.3	-0.3	1.6		
Second quarter	33,685	34,866	-4.8	1.0	106.2	98.2	108.1	0.4	0.9	-0.5		
Third quarter	34,138	35,128	1.3	0.8	104.2	97.7	106.6	-1.9	-0.5	-1.4		
Fourth quarter 1990	34,549	35,181	1.2	0.2	103.8	97.6	106.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3		
First quarter	35,428	35,007	2.5	-0.5	104.3	99.5	104.8	0.5	1.9	-1.4		
Second quarter	37,119	35,502	4.8	1.4	102.9	98.5	104.6	-1.3	-1.0	-0.3		
Third quarter	36,579	34,879	-1.5	-1.8	103.3	98.7	104.7	0.4	0.3	0.1		
Fourth quarter 1991	34,869	33,771	-4.7	-3.2	106.3	101.5	104.7	2.8	2.8	0.0		
First quarter	34.511	33,263	-1.0	-1.5	103.2	99.4	103.8	-3.0	-2.1	-0.8		
			5.8	3.7	103.2	99.4 97.9	103.0	-3.0	-2.1	-0.8		
Second quarter Third quarter	36,506 37,662	34,479 37,131	3.8	7.7	99.6	97.9 97.6	103.0	-2.2	-0.3	-0.8		
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1990												
January	11,378	11,451	-2.4	-2.2	103.6	98.6	105.1	0.1	1.4	-1.3		
February	11,636	11,785	2.3	2.9	105.7	100.5	105.2	2.0	2.0	0.1		
March	12,413	11,771	6.7	-0.1	103.7	99.4	104.3	-2.0	-1.1	-0.9		
April	12,244	11,993	-1.4	1.9	103.0	98.5	104.5	-0.6	-0.9	0.2		
May	12,343	11,706	0.8	-2.4	103.3	98.7	104.7	0.3	0.2	0.1		
June	12,531	11,803	1.5	0.8	102.5	98.3	104.3	-0.7	-0.4	-0.3		
July	12,405	11,890	-1.0	0.7	101.4	97.8	103.7	-1.1	-0.5	-0.6		
August	12,375	11,754	-0.2	-1.1	102.6	98.1	104.6	1.2	0.3	0.9		
September	11,799	11,235	-4.7	-4.4	105.9	100.4	105.5	3.2	2.3	0.8		
October	11,918	11,523	1.0	2.6	106.9	101.4	105.4	1.0	1.0	-0.1		
November	11,480	11,217	-3.7	-2.7	106.6	101.9	104.6	-0.3	0.5	-0.8		
December	11,471	11,032	-0.1	-1.7	105.4	101.4	103.9	-1.1	-0.5	-0.6		
1991												
January	11,527	11,384	0.5	3.2	104.5	100.0	104.5	-0.8	-1.4	0.6		
February	11,384	10,967	-1.2	-3.7	103.3	99.3	104.0	-1.2	-0.8	-0.4		
March	11,599	10,912	1.9	-0.5	101.8	98.9	102.9	-1.4	-0.4	-1.0		
April	12,272	11,716	5.8	7.4	101.4	98.3	103.1	-0.5	-0.6	0.2		
May	12,033	11,095	-1.9	-5.3	101.0	97.9	103.1	-0.4	-0.4	-0.0		
June	12,201	11,668	1.4	5.2	100.4	97.8	102.7	-0.5	-0.1	-0.4		
July	12,586	12,311	3.1	5.5	100.4	97.9	102.5	-0.1	0.1	-0.2		
August	12,810	12,042	1.8	-2.2	99.4	97.5	102.0	-1.0	-0.4	-0.6		
September	12,267	12,777	-4.2	6.1	99.1	97.5	101.7	-0.3	-0.0	-0.3		
October	12,287	12,485	0.2	-2.3	99.3	97.4	102.0	0.2	-0.1	0.3		
November	12,048	12,057	-1.9	-3.4	99.4	97.7	101.7	0.1	0.3	-0.3		
Year-to-date												
1990	132,524	128,128	5.1	0.1								
1991	133,014	129,414	0.4	1.0								

(1) The Paasche current weighted price index used to calculate constant dollars can be derived by dividing current values by the constant dollars (1) The Taisetic content weighter price index used to calculate constant contains can be derived by dividing content above.
(2) The Laspeyres price index uses fixed weights based on 1986 trade and therefore reflects changes in price only.
(3) The Terms of Trade are the ratios of export price indexes to import price indexes, multiplied by 100.
(4) Change over previous period.

Note: Due to rounding, monthy data may not add up to quaterly data and quarterly data may not add up to annual data.

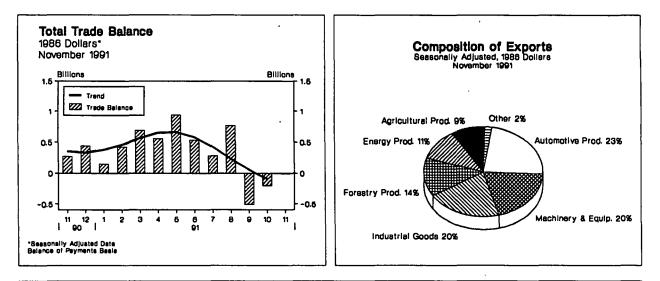
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Table 6 Exports by Commodity Groupings in 1986 Dollars November 1991 Balance of Payments Basis

		S	easonally ad	justed]	Raw valu	es
				Year-to	-date	Percentage change		
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Value	% change	Nov.'91/ Nov.'90		Nov.'89/ Nov.'88
		\$1	nillions					<u></u>
AGRICULTURAL AND FISHING PRODUCTS	1,040	1,090	1,092	12,687	12.2	11.0	-9.4	9.4
Wheat	296	249	320	4,006	39.1	59.8	-31.4	25.0
Other agricultural and fishing products	744	841	771	8,681	3.0	-2.2	-0.8	4.3
ENERGY PRODUCTS	1.385	1,394	1.344	15.129	9.1	5.2	9.2	-5.2
Crude petroleum *	401	393	427	4,541	17.3	14.7	11.6	-10.6
Natural gas	474	477	415	5.066	3.3	-10.5	23.6	6.1
Other energy products	510	524	502	5,521	8.6	16.1	-6.1	-10.0
FORESTRY PRODUCTS	1,646	1.577	1.626	17.563	0.6	1.1	-3.3	-0.7
Lumber and sawmill products	531	520	561	5,880	-5.8	-5.6	-7.0	8.8
Woodpulp and other wood products	416	357	410	4,144	12.2	20.6	-2.7	-9.2
Newsprint and other paper and paperboard	699	699	655	7,539	0.2	-2.7	-0.4	-3.8
INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MATERIALS	2,539	2,455	2,401	26.679	-0.7	-0.8	-0.3	-0.7
Metal ores	304	372	330	3,950	-8.2	-13.5	6.9	-13.3
Chemicals, plastics and fertilizers	620	601	551	6,391	-3.4	-11.9	19.4	-14.8
Metals and alloys	1,126	983	1,065	10,989	7.0	15.3	-7.3	13.5
Other industrial goods and materials	489	500	455	5,349	-5.9	-6.5	-11.3	2.5
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	2,393	2,485	2,380	26,336	4.3	6.3	1.2	9.9
Industrial and agricultural machinery	388	388	383	4,407	-8.4	-12.0	3.4	-1.4
Aircraft and other transportation equipment	523	508	450	5,739	8.1	-12.6	6.1	40.4
Other machinery and equipment	1,482	1,590	1,546	16,190	6.9	19.3	-1.2	5.6
AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS	2,832	2,910	2,740	29,961	-9.6	4.3	-15.4	0.3
Passenger autos and chassis	1,469	1,473	1.242	15,483	-3.3	-6.0	-6.8	14.7
Trucks and other motor vehicles	610	714	792	7,018	-13.1	27.6	-19.6	-7.8
Motor vehicle parts	752	723	705	7,460	-17.6	4.0	-26.5	-12.1
OTHER CONSUMER GOODS	213	216	223	2,353	4.1	-0.5	16.2	-12.2
SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS TRADE *	254	195	277	2,699	-3.4	-3.9	76.2	27.9
UNALLOCATED ADJUSTMENTS *	-34	-37	-33	-393	-12.7	-9.4	-43.7	9.2
TOTAL	12,267	12,287	12,048	133,014	0.4	3.7	-3.1	1.8

^{*} raw series



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	Seasonally adjusted					Raw values		
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Year-to-date		Percentage change		
				Value	% change			Nov.'89/ Nov.'88
		\$ r	nillions					
AGRICULTURAL AND FISHING PRODUCTS	834	788	801	8,366	3.1	3.5	8.3	5.5
Fruits and vegetables	247	251	236	2,571	-0.2	1.9	9.4	5.6
Other agricultural and fishing products	587	537	565	5,795	4.6	4.1	7.8	5.5
ENERGY PRODUCTS	507	606	562	5,906	-9.4	3.5	-4.3	7.1
Crude petroleum	337	389	342	3,772	-0.2	15.9	-11.9	21.0
Other energy products	170	217	220	2,134	-22.1	-10.5	6.1	-7.4
FORESTRY PRODUCTS	98	92	100	1,019	-8.5	6.8	-12.2	16.6
INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MATERIALS	2,219	2,211	2,048	22,742	-4.2	-2.9	-3.8	7.4
Metals and metal ores	502	513	461	5,373	-12.7	-19.0	1.8	5.5
Chemicals and plastics	796	741	734	7,844	-1.0	2.4	2.3	5.4
Other industrial goods and materials	921	957	853	9,525	-1.4	4.3	-11.8	10.2
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	4,295	4,295	4,246	44,610	2.1	10.1	-6.8	7.9
Industrial and agricultural machinery	961	970	968	10,529	-14.1	-4.9	-17.0	1.2
Aircraft and other transportation equipment	386	437	476	5,002	8.9	11.6	-10.3	-15.3
Office machines and equipment	1,184	1,108	1,181	11,309	22.5	37.2	0.6	18.6
Other machinery and equipment	1,764	1,780	1,621	17,770	0.9	5.2	-2.3	16.0
AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS	3,117	2,792	2,593	29,238	1.6	3.3	-5.7	-9.1
Passenger autos and chassis	1,050	1,010	910	9,958	13.4	37.4	-22.9	-21.2
Trucks and other motor vehicles	409	337	360	3,558	4.7	30.6	-6.4	-13.7
Motor vehicle parts	1,658	1,446	1,323	15,723	-5.3	-14.0	3.3	-0.4
OTHER CONSUMER GOODS	1,451	1,448	1,396	14,806	3.8	8.4	-0.4	11.5
Apparel and footwear	.267	252	259	2,526	-3.9	16.7	-15.0	25.6
Miscellaneous consumer goods	1,184	1,196	1,137	12,279	5.5	7.2	2.1	9.4
SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS TRADE *	338	345	393	3,600	30.3	34.8	22.5	-6.8
UNALLOCATED ADJUSTMENTS *	-81	-92	-82	-873	0.6	7.5	-9.1	-2.6
TOTAL	12,777	12,485	12,057	129,414	1.0	5.8	-3.7	3.3

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