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Seasonally adjusted exports and imports both rose to record levels in July. Exports climbed by $\$ 412$ million to $\$ 13.1$ billion, more than offsetting the drop observed in June, and imports were up by $\$ 195$ million to a level of $\$ 12.5$ billion. The larger rise in exports compared to imports caused the trade surplus to increase by $\$ 217$ million to $\$ 623$ million. Canada's trade surplus with the United States rose by $\$ 56$ million to $\$ 1.3$ billion.

Increased exports to the US (\$222 million), the European Community ( $\$ 82$ million) and non-OECD countries ( $\$ 274$ million) were somewhat offset by declines for exports to the non-EC members of the OECD group of countries, Japan and the United Kingdom. In the case of imports, there were increases from all major trading partners with the exception of the OECD group of countries ( $-\$ 50$ million). Imports from the US have been rising since April and were up by a further $\$ 166$ million in July, reaching a record level of $\$ 8.8$ billion.


## Exports

Most of the increase in exports stemmed from the more volatile group of commodities. In particular, agricultural products were up by $\$ 453$ million, chiefly because of a surge in wheat exports, which rose by $\$ 434$ million to a level of $\$ 761$ million. This increase resulted entirely from higher volumes, as prices actually declined marginally. According to the Canadian Wheat Board, exports of grain reached record levels during the 19911992 crop year which ended in July.


Relatively large increases were registered for exports of aircraft and other transportation equipment (\$74 million) and energy products ( $\$ 47$ million). Exports of crude petroleum and "other energy products" increased, while natural gas exports were virtually unchanged.

Within the more volatile export component, the only major commodity grouping to show a decrease was automotive products, which fell by $\$ 150$ million to $\$ 3.0$ billion, but this level was still higher than in January and February of this year. Car exports were down by $\$ 83$ million, trucks by $\$ 52$ million and parts by $\$ 16$ million. Typically, the auto industry schedules plant closures in July and August, with the actual size and timing of the closedowns varying from year to year. These decreases, therefore, reflect the resulting lower production during the summer months in both the US and Canada.

Among the more stable export commodities, there was a $\$ 135$ million increase in exports of machinery and equipment excluding aircraft and other transportation equipment. Industrial and agricultural machinery ex-
ports were up by $\$ 82$ million and exports of "other machinery and equipment" rose by $\$ 53$ million.

Partially offseting these increases were lower exports of forestry products and industrial goods. Exports of forestry products, which had been increasing for almost a year, dropped by $\$ 103$ million, their second consecutive monthly decrease. All three major components of the group registered declines: lumber fell by $\$ 44$ million, woodpulp by $\$ 35$ million and newsprint by $\$ 24$ million. The decline for both woodpulp and newsprint reflects continued low production as a result of a strike in the BC pulp and paper industry which lasted from mid-June until mid-July.


In the case of industrial goods, down by $\$ 80$ million, decreases for metal ores and metals and alloys were partly offset by increased exports of chemicals and plastics and "other industrial goods".

## Imports

It was primarily the stable group of commodities which generated the increase in imports in July. Agricultural products rose by $\$ 32$ million, machinery and equipment (excluding aircraft and other transportation equipment) increased by $\$ 124$ million and industrial goods were up by $\$ 49$ million. In the case of machinery and equipment, all major components registered increases, the largest ( $\$ 92$ million) being for imports of "other machinery and equipment", which includes products such as communications equipment. Office machines, up for the sixth month in a row, increased by $\$ 22$ million to a level twenty-three per cent higher than in January.

Within the less stable component, imports of aircraft and other transportation equipment increased by $\$ 156$ million.

Partially offsetting these increases were reduced imports of energy products (down by $\$ 130$ million, entirely as a result of a drop for crude petroleum), miscellaneous consumer goods ( $-\$ 44$ million) and automotive products ( $-\$ 62$ million). Car and truck imports rose marginally. In contrast, imports of parts declined by $\$ 91$ million, reflecting lower production due to scheduled plant shutdowns during July and August. Despite the overall decrease for automotive imports, at $\$ 2.8$ billion they are still twenty-eight per cent above their low point in February 1991.

## UNDERLYING TRENDS

In order to more clearly discern underlying trends in the merchandise trade data, the seasonally adjusted series have been further smoothed using moving averages. The text which follows describes these trends.

## Exports

Boosted by the large increase in this month's seasonally adjusted exports, the trend rose for the eighth consecutive month. There was continued growth for exports to the United States, the European Community and the non-OECD group of countries, but these increases were moderated somewhat by declines for exports to Canada's other major trading partners. Exports to the United Kingdom showed a decline after having risen for seven months. Exports to Japan fell for the second month in a row following seven months of increase. Exports to non-EC members of the OECD continued to decline and are now some twenty-three per cent lower than their January level.

The overall increase this month resulted from higher exports of most major commodity groupings.

Within the stable export component, increases were noted for industrial goods (excluding precious metals), machinery and equipment (excluding aircraft and other transportation equipment) and miscellaneous consumer goods. Industrial goods were up for the sixth month in a row, this time by one per cent, primarily because of an increase of almost three per cent for exports of chemicals, plastics and fertilizers.

In the case of machinery and equipment, a decline of just under one per cent for exports of industrial and agricultural machinery was more than offset by an in-

crease of two per cent for "other machinery and equipment". Exports of the latter have now risen by seventeen per cent since last June, in large part because of continued growth in exports of office machinery, up almost three per cent this month and fifteen per cent higher than their level in January of this year.


Miscellaneous consumer goods have also continued to show strength. These exports have been rising for over eighteen months and now stand more than thirty per cent higher than in January of 1991.

Within the more volatile group of commodities, the largest increase in the trend stemmed from wheat exports. Heavily influenced by the extremely large increase in wheat exports in July, the trend was up by over ten per cent this month.

Energy exports increased by just under one per cent. Both crude petroleum and natural gas have been increasing since July of 1991 and were up by about one per cent each this month. Exports of "other energy prod-
ucts", which have shown considerably more fluctuation over the past year, rose by just under one per cent.


Automotive products also continued to increase, and were up for the seventh consecutive month, but at a reduced rate of growth (less than one-half of one per cent). Exports of trucks have been rising since March 1991, but their monthly rate of growth has dropped significantly since the beginning of the year. On the other hand, parts exports are still showing strong monthly increases (up by a further two per cent this time). Moderating these increases were exports of cars, which fell for the second month in a row. This drop is consistent with declining sales in the US market.


Contributing a downward influence on the trend were exports of aircraft and other transportation equipment (down for the third consecutive month, this time by over one per cent), precious metals (which have fallen by a third during the past seven months) and forestry products. On an upward trend since last November, forestry products decreased by over one per cent this
month. Although all three major components showed decreases, the largest contribution to the downward trend was woodpulp. Exports of woodpulp had declined for most of 1991, began to turn around last November, but suffered a recent setback because of the strike in the BC pulp and paper industry. As a result, the trend for woodpulp exports began to decline in April and dropped a further three per cent this month.

## Imports

The import trend has been increasing since the beginning of the year and was up by over one per cent this month. Imports from all trading partners with the exception of the UK and Japan supported the upward trend. Imports from the US rose for the sixth consecutive month, this time by one and one-half per cent.

Increases were recorded for imports of almost all commodity groups, both stable and more volatile, the only major exception being precious metals, which fell by nineteen per cent.

Machinery and equipment excluding aircraft and other transportation equipment rose by one and one-half per cent. All three major components of this commodity grouping have been increasing for several months now, led by office machines which rose by close to three and one-half per cent this month to a level of almost thirty per cent above that of their most recent low point in September 1990.


Imports of forestry products, agricultural products, consumer goods and industrial goods (excluding precious metals) also registered increases ranging from one-half of one per cent to one and one-half per cent.


Within the more volatile import component, increased imports were noted for energy, automotive products and aircraft. Energy imports were up for the fourth month in a row, as "other energy products" increased by almost ten per cent to a level thirty-five per cent higher than in February. Within this commodity grouping, petroleum and coal products have risen some sixty per cent during the last four months, mostly due to significant growth in the volume of trade coupled with more moderate price increases.


Imports of aircraft and other transportation equipment, up by five per cent this month, have been on an upward trend since February, but their rate of growth is beginning to show signs of slowing.

Automotive imports continued to increase. Imports of cars, trucks and parts all continued to rise, with truck imports increasing at the fastest rate (four per cent). In all three cases, monthly import levels are quite a bit higher than they were at the beginning of the year.

## Price movements

## Exports

The Canadian dollar increased by $0.3 \%$ in July, from an average of 0.8362 US $\$$ in June to an average of 0.8391 US\$ in July. In spite of this increase, the price index for total exports decreased by $0.7 \%$ in July, as prices for most of the commodity groupings declined. Lower prices for automotive products ( $-0.1 \%$ ), machinery and equipment $(-0.1 \%)$, industrial goods and materials ( $-0.4 \%$ ), agricultural products ( $-1.8 \%$ ) and energy products ( $-3.7 \%$ ) exerted the greatest downward pressure on the export price index in July.

The downward movement of the export price index was somewhat moderated by price increases recorded for forestry products ( $+0.4 \%$ ) and "other consumer goods" $(+5.0 \%)$. The increase in the export price index for forestry products resulted from a $4.6 \%$ advance in the price index for woodpulp and $1.5 \%$ for newsprint.

## Imports

The increase in the value of the Canadian dollar in July led to a decrease in the import price index by $0.5 \%$. In addition to this downward pressure, lower prices recorded for automotive products ( $-0.3 \%$ ), industrial goods and materials ( $-1.1 \%$ ), "other consumer goods" ( $-0.3 \%$ ), agriculural products ( $-2.2 \%$ ), and energy products $(-1.7 \%)$ also contributed to the downward movement of the import price index.

These declines were slightly dampened by an increase in the import price index for machinery and equipment, which, after four consecutive months of declines, increased by $1.2 \%$ in July. This increase resulted from higher prices for industrial and agricultural machinery ( $+0.4 \%$ ), accompanied by a rise in "other machinery and equipment" prices ( $+0.8 \%$ ).

## REVISIONS

Revisions to merchandise trade data for June were relatively minor: seasonally adjusted exports and imports were revised upwards by $\$ 63$ million and $\$ 10$ million respectively.

On the exports side, revisions were made to crude petroleum to reflect the difference between original estimates and actual figures. In addition, there were revisions to several commodity groups which resulted from classification anomalies or late receipt of documents. The largest of these involved a switch between
motor vehicle parts and "other equipment and tools", as well between newsprint and "other paper and paperboard products".

At the total level, the revision to imports reflects more current information. Some revisions were made which did not affect the total, namely a change in classification from crude petroleum to petroleum and coal products, and a change in country attribution from the OECD grouping of countries to the United Kingdom.

Table 1
Merchandise Trade of Canada
July 1992

|  | Customs Basis |  | Balance of Payments Basis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Exports | Imports | Raw Values <br> Exports Imports |  | Exports | Imports | Seasonally <br> Balance | Adjusted |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Peri |  |  | d-to-perio | d change |
|  |  |  |  |  | Exports |  |  | Imports | Balance |
|  |  |  | \$ millions |  |  |  |  |  | \% | \% | \$ millions |
| 1986 | 120,670 | 112,511 | 120,318 | 110,374 |  | 120,318 | 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 | 137,779 | 128,862 | 137,779 | 128,862 | 8,917 | 9.1 | 11.9 | -2,305 |
| 1989 | 138,701 | 135,191 | 141,767 | 135,347 | 141,767 | 135,347 | 6,420 | 2.9 | 5.0 | -2,497 |
| 1990 | 148,912 | 136,245 | 146,520 | 136,600 | 146,520 | 136,600 | 9,920 | 3.4 | 0.9 | 3,500 |
| 1991 | 145,660 | 135,365 | 141,728 | 135,948 | 141,728 | 135,948 | 5,780 | -3.3 | -0.5 | -4,140 |
| 1990 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 36,222 | 35,170 | 35,633 | 35,165 | 36,033 | 34,489 | 1,545 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 5 |
| Second quarter | 39,299 | 35,895 | 38,735 | 35,846 | 37,088 | 34,623 | 2,465 | 2.9 | 0.4 | 920 |
| Third quarter | 35,349 | 31,348 | 34,848 | 31,841 | 36,836 | 33,769 | 3,067 | -0.7 | -2.5 | 602 |
| Fourth quarter | 38,043 | 33,832 | 37,304 | 33,749 | 36,563 | 33,720 | 2,843 | -0.7 | -0.1 | -224 |
| 1991 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Second quarter | 34,939 38,378 | 34,940 | 337,253 | 32,796 34,889 | 35,356 | 33,456 | 1,746 | -4.9 | -2.0 1.3 | $\begin{array}{r}-1,097 \\ \hline 155\end{array}$ |
| Third quarter | 35,207 | 33,285 | 34,506 | 33,605 | 36,178 | 35,156 | 1,022 | 2.3 | 5.1 | -878 |
| Fourth quarter | 37,136 | 34,592 | 36,174 | 34,658 | 35,416 | 34,303 | 1,112 | -2.1 | -2.4 | 90 |
| 1992 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 38,199 | 35,802 | 36,832 | 35,770 | 37,289 | 35,322 | 1,967 | 5.3 | 3.0 | 855 |
| Second quarter | 41,553 | 37,722 | 40,382 | 37,734 | 38,308 | 36,431 | 1,877 | 2.7 | 3.1 | -91 |
| 1991 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 11,651 | 11,006 | 11,198 | 10,979 | 11,760 | 11,196 | 564 | -1.4 | -0.5 | -112 |
| February | 11,235 | 10,331 | 10,926 | 10,525 | 11,579 | 10,987 | 592 | -1.5 | -1.9 | 29 |
| March | 12,052 | 11,211 | 11,671 | 11,293 | 11,440 | 10,850 | 590 | -1.2 | -1.2 | -3 |
| April | 12,702 | 11,906 | 12,374 | 11,768 | 11,847 | 11,051 | 796 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 206 |
| May | 13,109 | 11,780 | 12,623 | 11,722 | 11,720 | 11,021 | 699 | -1.1 | -0.3 | -97 |
| June | 12,566 | 11,254 | 12,256 | 11,400 | 11,790 | 11,384 | 406 | 0.6 | 3.3 | -293 |
| July | 11,326 | 10,760 | 11,029 | 10,848 | 12,046 | 11,852 | 194 | 2.2 | 4.1 | -213 |
| August | 11,968 | 11,104 | 11,737 | 11,251 | 12,367 | 11,547 | 820 | 2.7 | -2.6 | 627 |
| September | 11,913 | 11,421 | 11,741 | 11,505 | 11,766 | 11,757 | 9 | -4.9 | 1.8 | -812 |
| October | 13,141 | 12,903 | 12,863 | 12,938 | 11,809 | 11,669 | 141 | 0.4 | -0.8 | 132 |
| November | 12,335 | 11,837 | 11,993 | 11,760 | 11,744 | 11,619 | 125 | -0.6 | -0.4 | -16 |
| December | 11,660 | 9,853 | 11,319 | 9,960 | 11,862 | 11,016 | 846 | 1.0 | -5.2 | 721 |
| 1992 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 11,947 | 11,220 | 11,528 | 11,206 | 12,350 | 11,620 | 730 | 4.1 | 5.5 | -116 |
| February | 12,373 | 11,395 | 11,953 | 11,422 | 12,381 | 11,740 | 642 | 0.3 | 1.0 | -88 |
| March | 13,879 | 13,187 | 13,351 | 13,142 | 12,558 | 11,963 | 596 | 1.4 | 1.9 | -46 |
| April | 13,642 | 12,469 | 13,079 | 12,381 | 12,717 | 12,119 | 598 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 2 |
| May | 13,963 | 12,144 | 13,556 | 12,154 | 12,870 | 11,997 | 873 | 1.2 | -1.0 | 275 |
| June | 13,948 | 13,110 | 13,747 | 13,199 | 12,721 | 12,315 | 406 | -1.2 | 2.6 | -466 |
| July | 12,182 | 11,388 | 11,714 | 11,482 | 13,133 | 12,510 | 623 | 3.2 | 1.6 | 217 |
| Year-to-date |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1991 | 84,641 | 78,248 | 82,077 | 78,533 | 82,181 | 78,341 | 3,840 | -3.7 | -2.6 | -1,043 |
| 1992 | 91,934 | 84,912 | 88,929 | 84,986 | 88,730 | 84,264 | 4,466 | 8.0 | 7.6 | 627 |

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
July 1992
Balance of Payments Basis
Seasonally Adjusted

*Raw series dom. Other O.E.C.D. includes: Austria, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Australia and New Zealand. (The E.E.C countries, United States, Japan and Canada are also members of the O.E.C.D.)

Table 2A
Statistical Alignment of Canadian Exports to the United States with United States Imports from Canada Customs Basis
July 1992

|  | millions |
| :--- | ---: |
| Total Canadian exports to United States | $9,123.8$ |
| Freight and other related charges incurred in bringing the merchandise to the Canadian border | -327.4 |
| Canadian re-exports of goods of foreign origin to United States | -568.9 |
| United States imports of goods of Canadian origin from other countries | 13.9 |
| Re-exports of U.S. goods returned through Canada and designated as Canadian origin by the U.S. | 372.2 |
| Monthly average exchange rate (\$US/\$Cdn) | 1.1917 |
| Total United States imports from Canada |  |
| (Country of Origin and F.O.B. place of lading Basis) | US \$7,228.0 |
| 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 Depart- |  |
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Table 3
Exports by Commodity Groupings
July 1992
Balance of Payments Basis

|  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  | Raw values |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | May | June | July | Year-to-date |  | Percentage change |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Value | $\begin{gathered} \% \\ \text { change } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { July'92/ } \\ & \text { July'91 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'91/ } \\ & \text { July'90 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'90/ } \\ & \text { July' } 89 \end{aligned}$ |
| \$ millions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AGRICULTURAL AND FISHING PRODUCTS | 1,135 | 1,220 | 1,673 | 8,986 | 20.4 | 41.6 | 8.9 | 11.6 |
| Wheat | 270 | 327 | 761 | 2,851 | 39.8 | 104.9 | 73.0 | 44.3 |
| Other agricultural and fishing products | 865 | 893 | 912 | 6,136 | 13.1 | 16.8 | -4.9 | 6.4 |
| ENERGY PRODUCTS | 1,304 | 1,246 | 1,293 | 8,761 | -0.0 | 10.2 | 14.1 | -0.1 |
| Crude petroleum* | 522 | 472 | 515 | 3,474 | -0.4 | 19.2 | 32.3 | -11.2 |
| Natural gas | 358 | 348 | 342 | 2,353 | 15.2 | 18.4 | -8.5 | 24.4 |
| Other energy products | 424 | 426 | 436 | 2,934 | -9.2 | -3.4 | 14.5 | -3.4 |
| FORESTRY PRODUCTS | 1,793 | 1,637 | 1,534 | 11,651 | 1.3 | -4.8 | -5.5 | -5.2 |
| Lumber and sawmill products | 619 | 629 | 586 | 4,312 | 20.7 | 8.1 | -0.9 | -5.0 |
| Woodpulp and other wood products | 429 | 354 | 319 | 2,665 | -9.5 | -19.3 | -16.0 | -13.2 |
| Newsprint and other paper and paperboard | 745 | 653 | 630 | 4,674 | -6.1 | -7.7 | -2.5 | 0.8 |
| INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MATERIALS | 2,390 | 2,472 | 2,392 | 16,533 | -0.9 | -3.0 | -0.1 | -4.3 |
| Metal ores | 356 | 351 | 323 | 2,391 | -11.9 | -16.1 | -2.7 | -3.2 |
| Chemicals, plastics and fertilizers | 648 | 639 | 697 | 4,353 | 5.9 | 18.8 | 1.7 | 2.8 |
| Metals and alloys | 913 | 1,015 | 888 | 6,515 | -4.2 | -13.0 | 0.3 | -14.2 |
| Other industrial goods and materials | 472 | 466 | 482 | 3,274 | 6.9 | 4.5 | -0.5 | 13.3 |
| MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT | 2,595 | 2,437 | 2,645 | 17,617 | 7.3 | 13.7 | -5.4 | 31.3 |
| Industrial and agricultural machinery | 484 | 438 | 520 | 3,463 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 6.6 |
| Aircraft and other transportation equipment | 536 | 476 | 550 | 3,793 | 2.3 | 8.4 | -14.5 | 51.8 |
| Other machinery and equipment | 1,574 | 1,523 | 1,575 | 10,360 | 10.6 | 19.8 | -5.3 | 35.2 |
| AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS | 3,124 | 3,164 | 3,014 | 21,445 | 18.2 | -4.1 | -5.0 | 25.2 |
| Passenger autos and chassis | 1,430 | 1,418 | 1,335 | 9,841 | 6.8 | -6.0 | -4.5 | 48.9 |
| Trucks and other motor vehicles | 859 | 885 | 833 | 5,960 | 41.6 | -3.3 | -4.4 | 6.8 |
| Motor vehicle parts | 835 | 862 | 846 | 5,643 | 19.7 | -1.2 | -6.5 | 12.1 |
| OTHER CONSUMER GOODS | 306 | 333 | 320 | 2,137 | 23.6 | 23.6 | 13.8 | 9.1 |
| SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS TRADE | 263 | 251 | 296 | 1,848 | 6.8 | 13.7 | 4.1 | 96.1 |
| UNALLOCATED ADJUSTMENTS * | -40 | -38 | -35 | -248 | -1.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | -27.2 |
| TOTAL | 12,870 | 12,721 | 13,133 | 88,730 | 8.0 | 6.2 | -0.9 | 10.8 |

* Raw series

Table 4
Imports by Commodity Groupings
July 1992
Balance of Payments Basis

|  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  | Raw values |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | May | June | July | Year-to-date |  | Percentage change |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Value | $\begin{gathered} \% \\ \text { change } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'92/ } \\ & \text { July'91 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'91/ } \\ & \text { July'90 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { July'901 } \\ & \text { July'89 } \end{aligned}$ |
| \$ millions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AGRICULTURAL AND FISHING PRODUCTS | 762 | 777 | 809 | 5,443 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 2.5 | 14.5 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 264 | 249 | 260 | 1,840 | 2.0 | -0.9 | 3.0 | 10.1 |
| Other agricultural and fishing products | 498 | 527 | 549 | 3,603 | 5.3 | 10.6 | 2.2 | 17.0 |
| ENERGY PRODUCTS | 486 | 681 | 551 | 3.666 | -5.4 | -10.7 | 37.6 | -17.8 |
| Crude petroleum | 309 | 433 | 297 | 2,319 | -11.5 | -22.7 | 55.2 | -21.1 |
| Other energy products | 177 | 248 | 254 | 1,347 | 7.3 | 12.5 | 12.9 | -12.6 |
| FORESTRY PRODUCTS | 117 | 116 | 116 | 786 | 13.0 | 13.2 | -6.6 | 4.6 |
| INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MATERIALS | 2,205 | 2,165 | 2,215 | 15,463 | 8.9 | 5.2 | 2.0 | -3.0 |
| Metals and metal ores | 490 | 504 | 524 | 3,931 | 10.0 | 0.1 | 3.4 | -23.7 |
| Chemicals and plastics | 808 | 752 | 756 | 5,196 | 8.2 | 6.8 | 5.0 | 4.7 |
| Other industrial goods and materials | 907 | 910 | 935 | 6,336 | 8.8 | 7.1 | -1.1 | 7.9 |
| MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT | 3,863 | 3,764 | 4,044 | 26,189 | 5.7 | 10.7 | 1.8 | 3.0 |
| Industrial and agricultural machinery | 955 | 944 | 955 | 6,621 | 2.3 | -3.5 | 4.3 | -4.0 |
| Aircraft and other transportation equipment | 523 | 367 | 522 | 2,923 | -9.8 | 7.5 | 27.0 | -17.0 |
| Office machines and equipment | 665 | 675 | 696 | 4,385 | 10.1 | 25.0 | -2.4 | 13.9 |
| Other machinery and equipment | 1,720 | 1,778 | 1,870 | 12,261 | 10.7 | 16.1 | 1.8 | 11.3 |
| AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS | 2,646 | 2,872 | 2,810 | 19,236 | 8.9 | -1.2 | 8.5 | 16.5 |
| Passenger autos and chassis | 973 | 978 | 990 | 6,786 | 2.8 | -3.2 | 44.6 | 6.5 |
| Trucks and other motor vehicles | 296 | 326 | 343 | 2,095 | 1.1 | 19.1 | 7.4 | 19.4 |
| Motor vehicle parts | 1,377 | 1,568 | 1,477 | 10,356 | 15.2 | -4.2 | -8.5 | 21.3 |
| OTHER CONSUMER GOODS | 1,522 | 1,573 | 1,529 | 10,656 | 12.7 | 8.3 | 6.6 | 11.4 |
| Apparel and footwear | 307 | 331 | 316 | 2,240 | 15.8 | 9.1 | -9.8 | 15.8 |
| Miscellaneous consumer goods | 1,216 | 1,243 | 1,213 | 8,416 | 11.9 | 8.1 | 13.9 | 9.6 |
| SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS TRADE | 347 | 306 | 391 | 2,416 | 14.7 | 29.0 | 35.7 | -1.2 |
| UNALLOCATED ADJUSTMENTS * | 50 | 61 | 46 | 408 | 18.9 | -20.4 | 218.3 | -217.1 |
| TOTAL | 11,997 | 12,315 | 12,510 | 84,263 | 7.6 | 5.8 | 6.6 | 4.9 |

* Raw series

Table 5
Merchandise Trade of Canada
Constant Dollars, Laspeyres Price Indexes and Terms of Trade
July 1992
Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis

|  | Constant 1986 dollars (1) |  |  |  | Laspeyres price index (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Exports |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Period-to-period } \\ \text { change (4) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | 1986=100 |  |  | Period-to-period change (4) |  |  |
|  |  | Imports | Exports | Imports | Exports | Imports | Terms of Trade(3) | Exports | Imports | Terms of Trade(3) |
|  | \$ millions |  | \% |  |  |  |  |  | \% |  |
| 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 | 136,247 | 133,877 | 9.3 | 14.2 | 102.3 | 97.5 | 105.0 | 0.5 | -1.3 | 1.9 |
| 1989 | 138,036 | 141,149 | 1.3 | 5.4 | 104.6 | 97.5 | 107.3 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 2.2 |
| 1990 | 144,612 | 141,348 | 4.8 | 0.1 | 104.1 | 99.1 | 105.0 | -0.5 | 1.6 | -2.1 |
| 1991 | 146,103 | 144,715 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 100.4 | 97.9 | 102.5 | -3.5 | -1.2 | -2.3 |
| 1990 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 35,493 | 35,557 | 1.5 | -0.1 | 104.3 | 99.3 | 105.0 | 0.7 | 2.0 | -1.3 |
| Second quarter | 37,138 | 36,249 | 4.6 | 1.9 | 102.8 | 98.3 | 104.6 | -1.4 | -1.0 | -0.4 |
| Third quarter | 36,603 | 35,241 | -1.4 | -2.8 | 103.1 | 98.5 | 104.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Fourth quarter | 35,378 | 34,302 | -3.3 | -2.7 | 105.9 | 101.1 | 104.7 | 2.6 | 2.7 | -0.1 |
| 1991 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 34,627 | 34,440 | -2.1 | 0.4 | 102.8 | 99.1 | 103.7 | -2.9 | -2.0 | -0.9 |
| Second quarter | 36,440 | 35,598 | 5.2 | 3.4 | 100.5 | 97.8 | 102.8 | -2.2 | -1.4 | -0.9 |
| Third quarter | 37,968 | 37,617 | 4.2 | 5.7 | 99.1 | 97.4 | 101.8 | -1.4 | -0.4 | -1.0 |
| Fourth quarter | 37,068 | 37,060 | -2.4 | -1.5 | 99.1 | 97.6 | 101.5 | -0.0 | 0.2 | -0.2 |
| 1992 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First quarter | 38,130 | 37,348 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 101.3 | 100.0 | 101.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | -0.2 |
| Second quarter | 38,881 | 37,920 | 20 | 1.5 | 102.8 | 101.1 | 101.7 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 0.3 |
| 1991 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 11,563 | 11,607 | -0.9 | 2.1 | 104.1 | 100.0 | 104.1 | -0.9 | -1.0 | 0.1 |
| February | 11,492 | 11,470 | -0.6 | -1.2 | 102.9 | 98.9 | 104.0 | -1.2 | -1.0 | -0.2 |
| March | 11,572 | 11,363 | 0.7 | -0.9 | 101.6 | 98.6 | 103.0 | -1.3 | -0.3 | -0.9 |
| April | 12,083 | 11,727 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 101.0 | 98.1 | 103.0 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.0 |
| May | 12,094 | 11,717 | 0.1 | -0.1 | 100.6 | 97.7 | 102.9 | -0.5 | -0.4 | -0.0 |
| June | 12,263 | 12,154 | 1.4 | 3.7 | 99.8 | 97.5 | 102.4 | -0.7 | -0.2 | -0.5 |
| July | 12,599 | 12,617 | 2.7 | 3.8 | 99.9 | 97.5 | 102.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.0 |
| August | 12,910 | 12,276 | 2.5 | -2.7 | 98.9 | 97.2 | 101.8 | -0.9 | -0.3 | -0.6 |
| September | 12,460 | 12,724 | -3.5 | 3.7 | 98.5 | 97.1 | 101.4 | -0.5 | -0.1 | -0.4 |
| October | 12,382 | 12,622 | -0.6 | -0.8 | 98.8 | 97.1 | 101.8 | 0.4 | -0.0 | 0.4 |
| November | 12,308 | 12,536 | -0.6 | -0.7 | 99.0 | 97.6 | 101.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | -0.4 |
| December | 12,378 | 11,902 | 0.6 | -5.1 | 99.3 | 98.0 | 101.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | -0.1 |
| 1992 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 12,804 | 12,455 | 3.4 | 4.6 | 99.9 | 98.7 | 101.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | -0.2 |
| February | 12,653 | 12,245 | -1.2 | -1.7 | 101.4 | 100.2 | 101.2 | 1.5 | 1.5 | -0.0 |
| March | 12,672 | 12,648 | 0.2 | 3.3 | 102.8 | 101.0 | 101.8 | 1.4 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| April | 12,954 | 12,609 | 2.2 | -0.3 | 102.5 | 100.7 | 101.7 | -0.3 | -0.3 | -0.0 |
| May | 13,034 | 12,498 | 0.6 | -0.9 | 103.0 | 101.4 | 101.6 | 0.5 | 0.7 | -0.2 |
| June | 12,893 | 12,813 | -1.1 | 2.5 | 103.0 | 101.3 | 101.7 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| July | 13,404 | 13,085 | 4.0 | 2.1 | 103.0 | 101.3 | 101.7 | 0.0 | -0.0 | 0.0 |
| Year-to-date |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1991 | 83,666 | 82,655 | -1.5 | -1.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1992 | 90,415 | 88,353 | 8.1 | 6.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

(1)The Paasche current weighted price index used to calculate constant dollars can be derived by dividing current values by the constant dollars 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, muitiplied by 100.
(4)Change over previous period.

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

Table 6 .
Exports by Commodity Groupings in 1986 Dollars
July 1992
Balance of Payments Basis

|  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  | Raw values |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | May | June | July | Year-to-date |  | Percentage change |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Value | $\begin{gathered} \% \\ \text { change } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'92/ } \\ & \text { July'91 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'91/ } \\ & \text { July' } 90 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'90/ } \\ & \text { July' } 89 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| \$ millions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AGRICULTURAL AND FISHING PRODUCTS | 1,116 | 1,195 | 1,669 | 8,825 | 6.2 | 31.8 | 24.9 | 10.1 |
| Wheat | 256 | 323 | 772 | 2,779 | -1.0 | 67.3 | 136.2 | 64.8 |
| Other agricultural and fishing products | 861 | 872 | 897 | 6,045 | 9.9 | 14.4 | 1.6 | 2.9 |
| ENERGY PRODUCTS | 1,514 | 1,417 | 1,526 | 10,280 | 7.1 | 12.5 | 3.8 | 12.2 |
| Crude petroleum* | 437 | 381 | 449 | 3,041 | 4.5 | 27.8 | -3.1 | 11.1 |
| Natural gas | 599 | 581 | 592 | 3,884 | 22.6 | 22.9 | -2.3 | 27.2 |
| Other energy products | 478 | 454 | 485 | 3,355 | -4.6 | -6.2 | 15.2 | 1.8 |
| FORESTRY PRODUCTS | 1,725 | 1,568 | 1,463 | 11,315 | 1.7 | -8.6 | 1.9 | 0.2 |
| Lumber and sawmill products | 554 | 556 | 533 | 3,909 | 5.0 | 0.1 | -6.6 | -2.9 |
| Woodpulp and other wood products | 415 | 348 | 299 | 2,672 | 3.0 | -23.5 | 21.2 | -1.7 |
| Newsprint and other paper and paperboard | 756 | 664 | 631 | 4,735 | -1.5 | -7.5 | 0.4 | 4.1 |
| INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MATERIALS | 2,488 | 2,544 | 2,471 | 17,299 | 3.3 | -4.8 | 6.9 | 4.2 |
| Metal ores | 334 | 335 | 289 | 2,248 | -14.5 | -24.8 | 5.9 | 5.2 |
| Chemicals, plastics and fertilizers | 696 | 655 | 704 | 4,500 | 11.6 | 15.9 | 11.6 | 1.4 |
| Metals and alloys | 927 | 1,046 | 919 | 6,805 | 1.7 | -13.1 | 5.6 | -1.8 |
| Other industrial goods and materials | 531 | 509 | 559 | 3,746 | 10.4 | 4.8 | 5.7 | 21.0 |
| MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT | 2,687 | 2,579 | 2,803 | 18,262 | 11.9 | 18.2 | -2.2 | 31.1 |
| Industrial and agricultural machinery. | 401 | 363 | 435 | 2,884 | 0.7 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 5.5 |
| Aircraft and other transportation equipment | 464 | 413 | 484 | 3,305 | 0.6 | 7.3 | -15.1 | 49.0 |
| Other machinery and equipment | 1,823 | 1,804 | 1,883 | 12,074 | 18.7 | 26.6 | 1.4 | 35.5 |
| AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS | 3,013 | 3,073 | 2,930 | 20,976 | 13.0 | -8.9 | -7.8 | 24.8 |
| Passenger autos and chassis | 1,370 | 1,366 | 1,290 | 9,600 | 0.7 | -12.6 | -7.0 | 47.6 |
| Trucks and other motor vehicles | 820 | 854 | 803 | 5,783 | 35.1 | -7.6 | -9.7 | 6.3 |
| Motor vehicle parts | 823 | 853 | 838 | 5,593 | 17.6 | -3.1 | -7.3 | 12.2 |
| OTHER CONSUMER GOODS | 265 | 300 | 275 | 1,828 | 22.5 | 23.6 | 10.2 | 11.3 |
| SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS TRADE* | 266 | 254 | 302 | 1,883 | 6.8 | 11.9 | -1.3 | 104.4 |
| UNALLOCATED ADJUSTMENTS * | -40 | -38 | -35 | -253 | -0.9 | -1.0 | 3.4 | -24.1 |
| TOTAL | 13,034 | 12,893 | 13,404 | 90,415 | 8.1 | 4.5 | 2.0 | 15.6 |

* Raw series



Table 7
Imports by Commodity Groupings in 1986 Dollars
July 1992
Balance of Payments Basis

|  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  | Raw values |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | May | June | July | Year-to-date |  | Percentage change |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Value | $\begin{gathered} \% \\ \text { change } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'92/ } \\ & \text { July'91 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'91/ } \\ & \text { July'90 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July'901 } \\ & \text { July'89 } \end{aligned}$ |
| \$ millions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AGRICULTURAL AND FISHING PRODUCTS | 773 | 773 | 823 | 5,557 | 5.7 | 6.9 | 4.0 | 13.4 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 244 | 237 | 249 | 1,718 | 5.5 | 2.3 | -0.6 | 8.9 |
| Other agricultural and fishing products | 529 | 536 | 574 | 3,838 | 5.9 | 8.9 | 6.2 | 15.7 |
| ENERGY PRODUCTS | 520 | 670 | 552 | 3,922 | 2.8 | -19.2 | 29.7 | -8.4 |
| Crude petroleum | 291 | 399 | 263 | 2,277 | -6.2 | -33.9 | 36.4 | -6.8 |
| Other energy products | 229 | 271 | 289 | 1,645 | 18.6 | 4.6 | 20.2 | -10.6 |
| FORESTRY PRODUCTS | 97 | 98 | 101 | 670 | 6.0 | 8.4 | -5.6 | 9.4 |
| INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MATERIALS | 2,209 | 2,166 | 2,240 | 15,874 | 10.7 | 3.8 | 5.9 | -1.7 |
| Metals and metal ores | 472 | 484 | 536 | 4,161 | 18.5 | 0.1 | 12.7 | -23.3 |
| Chemicals and plastics | 840 | 778 | 777 | 5,388 | 10.4 | 5.9 | 4.3 | 13.2 |
| Other industrial goods and materials | 898 | 903 | 926 | 6,324 | 6.2 | 4.4 | 3.3 | 3.4 |
| MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT | 4,531 | 4,487 | 4,764 | 30,697 | 6.8 | 11.6 | 3.1 | 5.8 |
| Industrial and agricultural machinery | 930 | 924 | 931 | 6,521 | -2.5 | -8.6 | -7.2 | -4.7 |
| Aircraft and other transportation equipment | 487 | 338 | 485 | 2,778 | -14.1 | 1.4 | 21.9 | -18.2 |
| Office machines and equipment | 1,485 | 1,530 | 1,579 | 9,723 | 26.1 | 37.4 | 12.7 | 27.8 |
| Other machinery and equipment | 1,629 | 1,695 | 1,769 | 11,675 | 5.2 | 10.3 | 0.2 | 10.6 |
| AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS | 2,573 | 2,807 | 2,754 | 18,842 | 4.3 | -4.8 | 6.4 | 15.2 |
| Passenger autos and chassis | 871 | 877 | 907 | 6,059 | -1.8 | -4.0 | 51.1 | -0.5 |
| Trucks and other motor vehicles | 283 | 310 | 325 | 2,020 | -6.7 | 10.7 | 2.0 | 16.0 |
| Motor vehicle parts | 1,420 | 1,620 | 1,523 | 10,763 | 10.6 | -8.5 | -10.0 | 22.5 |
| OTHER CONSUMER GOODS | 1,382 | 1,431 | 1,395 | 9,830 | 6.6 | 1.0 | 8.2 | 10.9 |
| Apparel and footwear | 240 | 262 | 260 | 1,748 | 14.4 | 9.3 | -1.1 | 8.1 |
| Miscellaneous consumer goods | 1,142 | 1,169 | 1,135 | 8,082 | 5.1 | -1.2 | 10.9 | 11.8 |
| SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS TRADE* | 362 | 318 | 409 | 2,533 | 13.9 | 26.4 | 36.7 | 0.2 |
| UNALLOCATED ADJUSTMENTS * | 52 | 63 | 48 | 428 | 18.1 | -22.0 | 220.7 | -218.7 |
| TOTAL | 12,498 | 12,813 | 13,085 | 88,353 | 6.9 | 3.7 | 7.4 | 6.4 |

* Raw series



## Analytical <br> Graphics

## Export Trends by Commodity Groupings








Six groupings accounted for $96.2 \%$ of Exports in 1991

* Note: Scales vary to accommodate wider ranges in data


## Import Trends by Commodity Groupings



Six groupings accounted for 95.9\% of Imports in 1991

* Note: Scales vary to accommodate wider ranges in data


## Export Trends by Principal Trading Areas



* Note: Scales vary to accommodate wider ranges in data


## Import Trends by Principal Trading Areas



* Note: Scales vary to accommodate wider ranges in data


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