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Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade

September 1992

Seasonally adjusted exports totalled \$13.1 billion in September, virtually unchanged from August. Large increases were registered for machinery and equipment other than aircraft and other transportation equipment (\$60 million) and for energy products (\$56 million). These increases were almost entirely offset by lower exports of automotive products, which fell by \$96 million.

Seasonally adjusted imports increased by \$314 million to total \$12.7 billion in September. Contributing most to the overall increase were higher imports of industrial goods other than precious metals (\$99 million), aircraft and other transportation equipment (\$136 million) and automotive products (\$137 million). Partially offsetting these increases were lower imports of machinery and equipment excluding aircraft and other transportation equipment (-\$59 million) and energy products (-\$70 million).

Canada's merchandise trade surplus declined by \$307 million to stand at \$436 million in September.

Trends

The seasonally adjusted merchandise trade data series have been further smoothed using moving averages, in order to more clearly discern underlying trends.

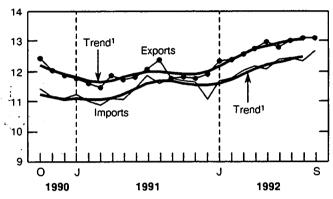
The overall exports trend continued to increase in the current period to stand almost 10% higher than in October 1991, its most recent low. The largest increases were concentrated among the more volatile commodities, in particular precious metals and wheat. Exports also increased for energy products and for equipment. aircraft other transportation and Automotive products exports decreased for the third consecutive month, but by less than 0.3%; despite this decline, automotive products exports remain almost 30% higher than their previous low at the beginning of 1991. Within the more stable export component, small increases were noted for forestry products, machinery and equipment excluding aircraft and other transportation equipment and miscellaneous consumer goods.

The imports trend, which has been increasing all year, is now over 8% higher than in December 1991. Virtually all of the more stable groups of

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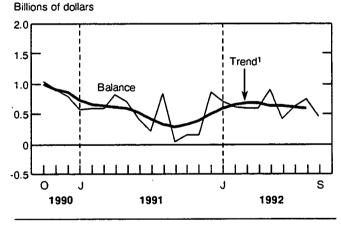
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¹ The short-term trend represents a weighted average of the data.

commodities registered increases in the current period. Within the more volatile import component, decreases were noted for imports of energy products, aircraft and other transportation equipment, precious metals and automotive products. Imports of cars and parts declined, but truck imports continued to increase to a level 15% above their most recent low in February. Merchandise trade improved for the third consecutive quarter, with exports rising by \$694 million and imports rising by \$785 million. The largest contribution to the exports increase stemmed from the more volatile component, in particular wheat and energy products. For imports, the more stable commodities contributed most to the overall increase. Most noteworthy was the continued strength in machinery and equipment imports.

In accordance with the revision policy of International Trade Division, seasonally adjusted exports and imports have been revised back to January 1992. As expected, the largest revisions were made to July and August 1992 data. Exports have been revised upward by \$84 million for July and \$62 million for August, while imports have been revised upward by \$126 million for July and \$120 million for August. As a result, the merchandise trade balance has been revised downward by \$42 million for July and \$58 million for August.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3620-3629, 3651, 3685-3713, 3718, 3719 and 3887-3913.

Current account data, which incorporate merchandise trade statistics, trade in services data and capital account movements, are available quarterly in *Canada's Balance of International Payments* (67-001, \$27.50/\$110).

For further information on international trade statistics (detailed tables, charts and more analysis), *Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade* (65-001P, \$10/\$100) is now available. For more timely receipt of the data, a fax service is available on the morning of release (10-002, \$250). See "How to Order Publications".

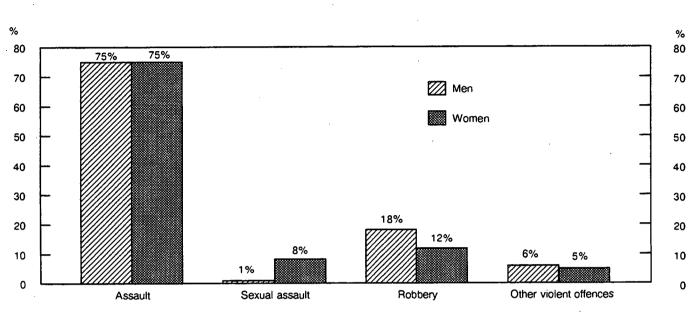
For detailed information on statistics, concepts and definitions, the September 1992 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$18.20/\$182) will be available the first week of December or contact Gordon Blaney (613-951-9647), Client Services Section, International Trade Division.

Merchandise Trade of Canada (Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis) (\$ millions)

	Exports				Imports			
	September 1992	August 1992	July 1992	September 1991	September 1992	August 1992	July 1992	September 1991
United States	10,299	10,100	10,011	9,115	8,892	8,845	8,741	8,150
Other Trading Areas	2,797	2,989	3,005	2,650	3,767	3,500	3,665	3,607
Total	13,096	13,08 9	13,016	11,766	12,660	12,345	12,406	11,757
Agricultural and Fishing								
Products	1,286	1,303	1,603	989	844	831	· 816	783
Energy Products	1,388	1,332	1,388	1,197	497	567	556	507
Forestry Products	1,751	1,731	1,555	1,576	118	120	116	106
Industrial Goods and Materials	2,451	2,506	2,351	2,339	2,350	2,265	2,241	2,090
Machinery and Equipment	2,598	2,515	2,568	2,392	3,989	3,912	3,998	3,635
Automotive Products	3,043	3,139	2,983	2,800	2,813	2,676	2,689	2,832
Other Consumer Goods	328	316	316	252	1,655	1,586	1,577	1,441
Special Transactions Trade	287	280	288	253	347	332	358	305

Merchandise Trade of Canada, Monthly Variation of the Trend (Percentage change)

	Exports			Imports				
	August 1992	July 1992	June 1992	August 1991	August 1992	July 1992	June 1992	August 1991
Agricultural and Fishing			•		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Products	1.8	2.5	2.4	-2.0	1.4	1.3	1.3	-0.2
Energy Products	0.8	1.0	1.7	1.2	-0.5	1.0	3.3	2.4
Forestry Products	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-1.4	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.0
Industrial Goods and Materials	0.9	1.1	1.2	-0.5	1.0	0.6	0.1	-0.2
Machinery and Equipment	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.1	1.5	0.8
Automotive Products	-0.3	-0.3	-0.1	0.8	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	1.7
Other Consumer Goods	0.7	1.1	1.6	0.4	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1
Special Transactions Trade	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.9	-0.9
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Offences Committed Against Violent Crime Victims*, Fifteen Selected Police Departments, 1991

* Excludes unknown age and gender (4%).

Source: Incident-based Uniform Crime Reporting Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Gender Differences Among Violent Crime Victims

Although research findings have reported that women are less likely than men to be victims of violent crime, an analysis of data from 15 police departments from the incident-based Uniform Crime Reporting Survey indicates that in 1991 women were reported to be victims of violent crime as often as men. Data from the Homicide Survey revealed that, between 1981 and 1990, approximately one-third of adult homicide victims were women.

Highlights

- Three-quarters of adult violent crime victims were victims of assault. However, women were more likely to be victims of sexual assault (8% versus 1%), while men were more likely to be victims of robbery (18% versus 12%).
- Men and women tended to be victims of different types of offences. Although three-quarters of

adult violent crime victims were victims of assault, women tended to be assaulted by their husbands or ex-husbands (52%), whereas men tended to be assaulted by strangers (44%).

- Women tended to be killed by husbands or exhusbands (48%), while men were most often killed by acquaintances (53%).
- Among violent crime victims, the majority of women were victimized in a residence (62%), whereas the largest proportion of men were victimized outdoors (43%). Although the largest proportion of all homicides occurred in the victim's home, this was more predominant when the victims were women (67% versus 41%).

Juristat Service Bulletin: Gender Differences Among Violent Crime Victims, Vol. 12, No. 21 (85-002, \$3.60/\$90) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics (613-951-9023 or toll-free 1-800-387-2231).

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Export and Import Price Indexes

September 1992

Current- and fixed-weighted export and import price indexes (1986 = 100) on a balance of payments basis are now available. Price indexes are listed from January 1986 to September 1992 for the five commodity sections and 62/61 major commodity groups.

Customs-based, current- and fixed-weighted U.S. price indexes (1986 = 100) are also available. Price indexes are listed from January 1986 to September 1992. Included with the U.S. commodity indexes are the 10 all-countries and U.S.-only SITC section indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3620-3629, 3651 and 3685.

The September 1992 issue of Summary of Canadian International Trade (65-001, \$18.20/\$182) will be available the first week of December. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Denis Pilon (613-951-4808), Price Index Unit, International Trade Division.

Wholesale Trade, Provincial Origin and Destination of Shipments by Commodity 1990

Results from the 1990 Interprovincial Wholesale Commodity Survey are now available.

The publication Interprovincial Wholesale Commodity Survey (63-542, \$48) will be issued shortly.

For further information on this release and/or detailed data through custom and special tabulations on a cost-recovery basis, contact Gilles Berniquez (613-951-3540) or Larry Murphy (613-951-3542), Wholesale Trade Section, Industry Division.

Tobacco Products

October 1992

Canadian tobacco product firms produced 3.86 billion cigarettes in October 1992, an 11.7% decrease from

the 4.37^r (revised) billion cigarettes manufactured during the same period in 1991. Production from January to October 1992 totalled 36.22 billion cigarettes, down 7.3% from 39.06^r billion cigarettes during the year-earlier period.

Domestic sales in October 1992 totalled 2.60 billion cigarettes, a decrease of 1.1% from the 2.63 billion cigarettes sold in October 1991. January to October year-to-date sales totalled 29.29 billion cigarettes, down 9.9% from the year-earlier 32.52 billion cigarettes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 46.

The October 1992 issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, \$5/\$50) can be ordered from Publication Sales. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on the data, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Tea, Coffee and Cocoa

Third Quarter 1992

Data on tea, coffee and cocoa for the third quarter of 1992 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 188 (series 1.7 and 1.8).

Production and Stocks of Tea, Coffee and Cocoa (32-025; \$6.75/\$27) will be released at a later date.

For further detailed information on this release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Pack of Processed Raspberries

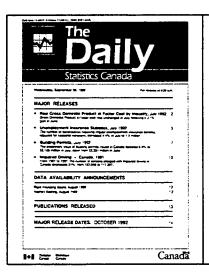
Data on the pack of processed raspberries for 1992 are now available.

Pack of Selected Processed Fruits (excluding apples), 1992 (32-234, \$13) will be released at a later date.

For further information, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Pack of Processed Plums

Data on the pack of processed plums for 1992 cannot be made available. The information is confidential to meet secrecy requirements of the Statistics Act. Pack of Selected Fruits (excluding apples), 1992 (32-234, \$13) will be released at a later date. For further information, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.



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