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### Canada-European Economic Community Trade Reconciliation

Statistics Canada, the United States and the European Economic Community (EEC) have reached a trilateral agreement reconciling 1989 figures on North American-EEC trade. The adjustments do not represent revisions to any officially published import and export totals. Rather, they reflect best estimates of the sources of discrepancy in figures produced by the countries.

The totals agreed upon set Canadian exports to the EEC at \$12.1 billion and imports from the EEC at \$15.0 billion, for a Canadian trade deficit of almost \$2.9 billion. Prior to the reconciliation, Canadian figures showed a 1989 deficit of \$3.0 billion, while the European figures showed a Canadian deficit of \$1.1 billion.

The largest source of discrepancy between the Canadian and European figures arose because the European figures listed some \$983 million worth of goods exported to Canada via the United States simply as U.S.-bound goods. A \$286 million adjustment to the European figures was also necessary to reflect trans-shipments through the EEC of goods that were not of EEC origin.

The reconciliation exercises conducted by Statistics Canada with the United States, Japan and the European Economic Community are part of a continuing process of improving Canada's trade data.

For further information on this release, contact the International Trade Division (613-951-9733).



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### Crime Trends in Canada

1962-1990

This report examines crime trends over the past three decades at the national and regional levels. The incidence of crime in 1990 and crime patterns during the 1980s are also explored.

#### Highlights

- In 1990, over three million incidents were reported to police. Of these incidents, 9% were violent crimes and 49% were crimes against property.
- National Criminal Code offence rates increased substantially during the 1960s, moderated during the 1970s, and levelled-off somewhat during the 1980s.
- Generally, over the past three decades, crime rates have been consistently higher in western Canada and lower in the East.
- During the 1980s, violent crime rates increased 52%, whereas property crime rates remained virtually unchanged.
- Over the past three decades, non-sexual assaults have consistently represented the majority of violent offences (77% in 1990). Theft has accounted for over one-half of all property offences (58% in 1990).
- A preliminary investigation of demographic, economic and crime data suggests that higher numbers of young persons in a population and higher levels of unemployment are associated with higher levels of crime.

*Juristat Service Bulletin: Crime Trends in Canada, 1962-1990, Vol. 12, No. 7 (85-002, \$3.60/\$90) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".*

For further information on this release, please contact Information and Client Services, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics (613-951-9023). ■

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### Stocks of Frozen Meat Products

March 1, 1992

Total frozen meat in cold storage as of March 1 amounted to 32 260 tonnes compared to 31 990 tonnes the previous month and 28 130 tonnes a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 87 and 9517-9525.

To order *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (\$11.50/\$115), contact Guy Gervais (613-951-2453).

For more information on this release, contact Russell Kowaluk (613-951-2508), Agriculture Division. ■

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