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REVIEW OF OVERSEAS TRADE

During the month of December 2015, total imports to Barbados were valued at \$356.7 million, whilst total exports from Barbados were valued at \$101.9 million. This resulted in a visible trade deficit of \$254.8 million, as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$212.9 for December 2014.

Imports for December 2015 were \$59.5 million more than imports for December 2014, a increase of 20%. Total exports increased by \$17.6 million or 20.9% of the December 2014 figure. Domestic exports increased by \$4.5 million or 13.1% over December 2014, while the value of re-exports increased by \$13.1 million or 26.3% over the corresponding period 2014.

For the period January – December 2015, the value of imports to Barbados was \$3.2 billion, whilst the value of total exports was \$965.8 million representing an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$2.3 billion as compared to a similar deficit of \$2.5 billion for January – December 2014.

Imports for January – December 2015 were \$242.1 million less than imports for the same period 2014, a decrease of 7.0%. Total exports showed an increase of some \$17.1 million or 1.8% over the January - December 2014 figure. Domestic exports decreased by \$48.6 million or 8.8% over January – December 2014. The value of re-exports increased by \$65.6 million or 16.6% over the corresponding period 2014.

CARICOM TRADE

During the month of December 2015, total imports from CARICOM countries were valued at \$61.7 million, whilst total exports to CARICOM were valued at \$28.6 million, resulting in a trade deficit of \$33.1 million as compared with a visible trade deficit of \$39.0 million for December 2014.

Total CARICOM imports for December 2015 were \$2.3 million less than CARICOM imports for December 2014, a decrease of 3.6%. Total exports to CARICOM for December 2015 were \$3.6 million more than total exports for December 2014, an increase of 14.5%. Domestic exports increased by \$3.1 million or 15.4% over December 2014. The value of re-exports increased by some \$0.5 million, or 10.7%, over the December 2014 figure.

For the period January – December 2015, total imports from CARICOM were valued at \$682.1 million, whilst total exports were \$311 million resulting in an accumulated visible trade deficit of \$371.1 million as compared with a deficit of \$652.9 million for the same period of 2014.

During this period, CARICOM imports were approximately \$306.8 million less than those over the same period in 2014, a decrease of 31%. Total exports to CARICOM for January – December 2015 were \$25 million less than total exports for the corresponding period 2014, a decrease of 7.4%. Domestic exports decreased by approximately \$25.7 million or 9% over the same period 2014. The value of re-exports increased by \$0.7 million or 1.3% over the January – December 2014 figure.

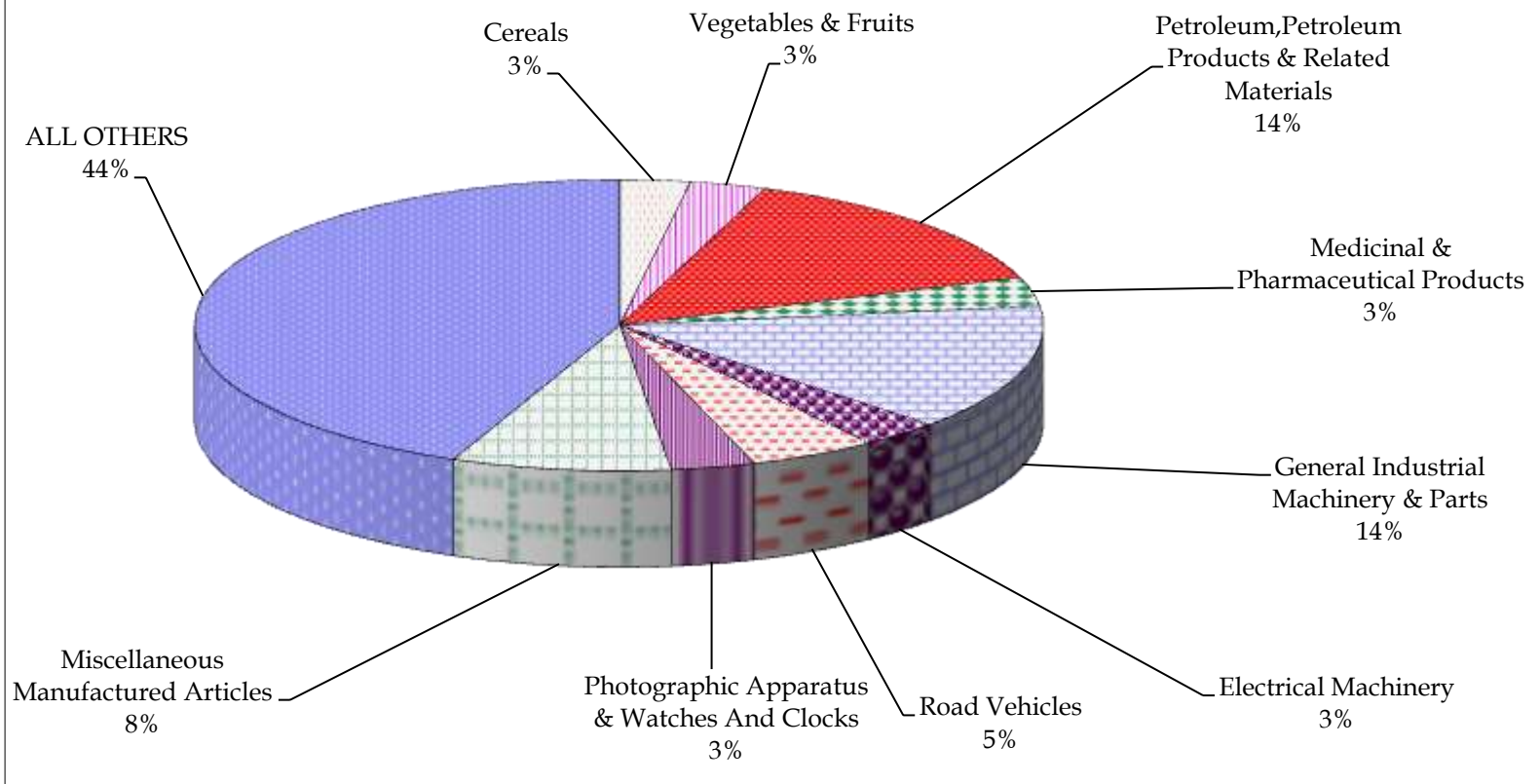
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014**

TABLE 1

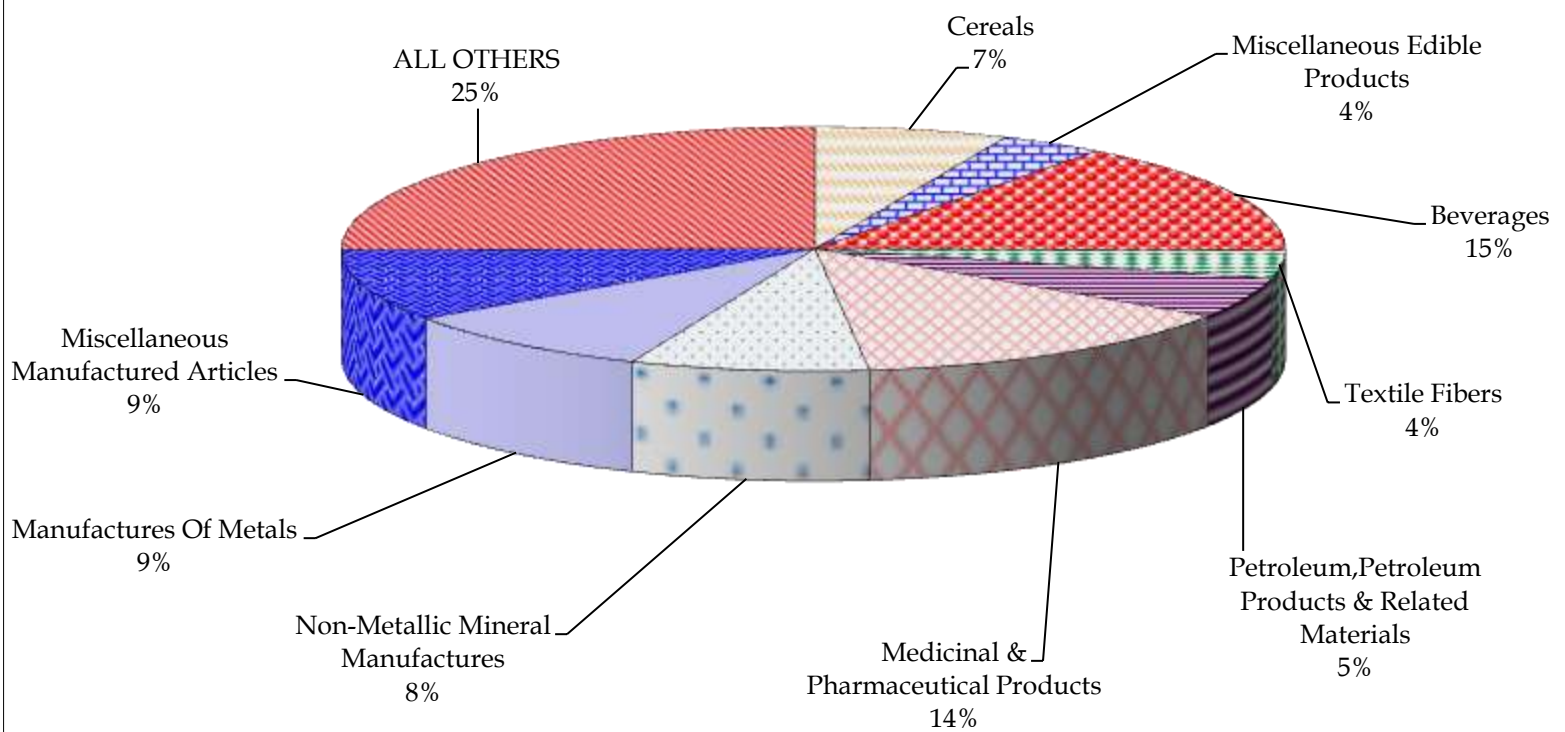
S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	51,397,714	52,483,088	5,853,914	4,358,128	175,742	324,055	6,029,656	4,682,183
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	10,652,913	8,570,043	5,862,450	5,557,704	1,818,886	1,538,268	7,681,336	7,095,972
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	8,861,359	6,107,045	2,042,578	889,401	167	11,033	2,042,745	900,434
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	51,270,646	55,470,841	2,105,839	4,776,962	16,764,594	23,888,951	18,870,433	28,665,913
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	1,609,250	2,346,840	280,723	258,169	478	2,706	281,201	260,875
5 CHEMICALS	34,840,006	30,597,665	8,100,295	5,839,672	9,475,957	6,304,253	17,576,252	12,143,925
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	32,745,744	33,181,579	7,738,486	6,502,281	2,539,681	567,975	10,278,167	7,070,256
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	101,533,937	56,666,035	1,893,826	2,025,546	363,568	6,840,557	2,257,394	8,866,103
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	62,250,185	50,303,448	4,347,253	3,915,543	31,645,219	10,140,769	35,992,472	14,056,312
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	1,519,844	1,447,063	832,588	400,513	17,610	100,969	850,198	501,482
TOTAL*	356,681,598	297,173,647	39,057,952	34,523,919	62,801,902	49,719,536	101,859,854	84,243,455

(BDS \$)

Principal Imports - December 2015



Principal Domestic Exports - December 2015



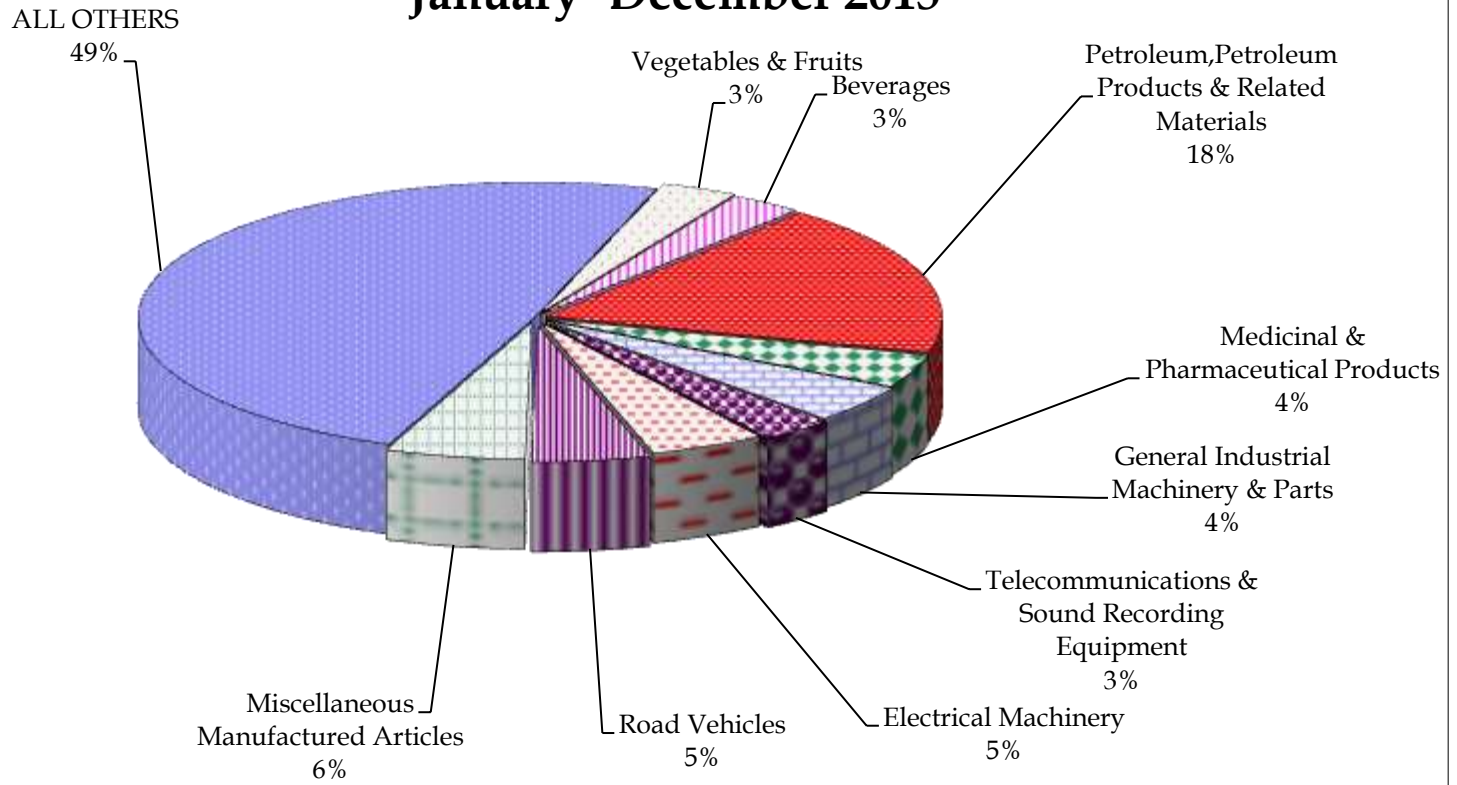
**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2014**

TABLE 2

(BDS \$)

S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2015*	2014	2015*	2014	2015*	2014
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	545,356,011	552,304,150	77,188,290	90,647,128	1,852,489	1,656,199	79,040,779	92,303,327
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	106,248,708	94,195,611	88,453,251	92,358,563	11,808,001	8,974,473	100,261,252	101,333,036
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	68,544,629	73,275,575	11,187,037	13,335,240	161,236	856,108	11,348,273	14,191,348
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS*	603,590,854	877,543,461	27,949,326	46,743,613	151,171,221	232,158,792	179,120,547	278,902,405
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	18,742,478	21,634,726	4,311,852	4,432,428	9,860	10,398	4,321,712	4,442,826
5 CHEMICALS	351,514,589	367,599,311	93,628,393	88,850,182	57,961,769	50,174,150	151,590,162	139,024,332
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	381,914,883	379,536,596	72,773,815	75,713,165	12,153,055	6,616,742	84,926,870	82,329,907
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	709,590,192	665,732,990	28,105,993	45,771,571	38,777,382	12,484,673	66,883,375	58,256,244
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	436,529,150	432,818,514	94,246,620	88,810,655	185,747,842	81,028,463	279,994,462	169,839,118
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	14,152,652	13,624,538	8,185,445	7,943,329	164,850	219,475	8,350,295	8,162,804
TOTAL*	3,236,184,146	3,478,265,472	506,030,022	554,605,874	459,807,705	394,179,473	965,837,727	948,785,347

Principal Imports January- December 2015



Principal Domestic Exports January- December 2015

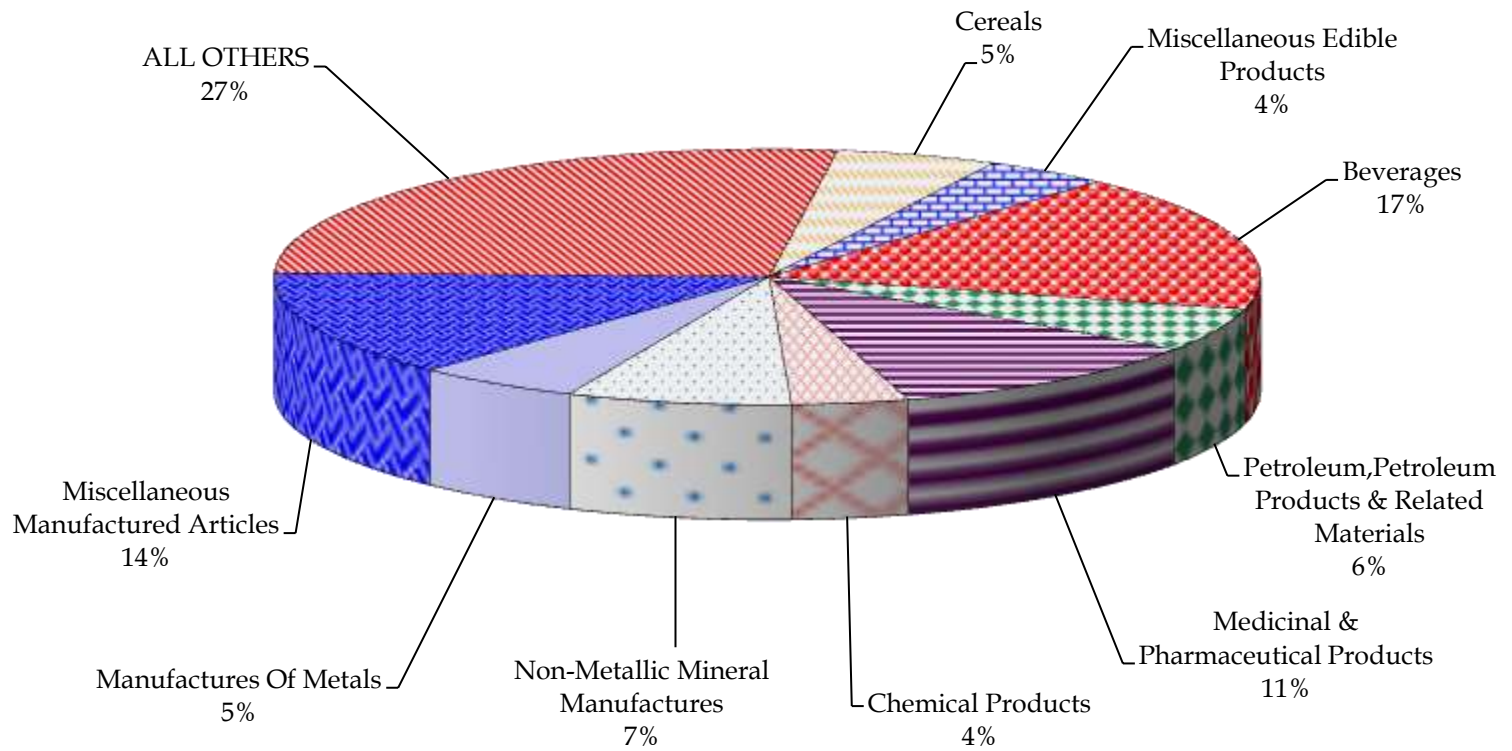


TABLE 3

**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY MAJOR COUNTRIES AND GROUP
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014**

(BDS \$)

COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
	2015*	2014	DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	2015*	2014	2015*	2014	2015*	2014	2015*	2014
UNITED KINGDOM	13,966,293	11,614,648	784,296	717,466	244,963	331,042	1,029,259	1,048,508
CANADA	6,386,941	7,977,008	2,568,757	2,950,759	38,042	12,808	2,606,799	2,963,567
UNITED STATES	135,435,920	107,352,424	4,279,965	4,472,162	36,053,466	13,343,218	40,333,431	17,815,380
CARICOM *	61,667,281	63,949,345	22,988,800	19,912,973	5,613,604	5,070,032	28,602,404	24,983,005
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	10,644,736	7,399,241	8,495,115	7,411,742	2,104,382	2,183,117	10,599,497	9,594,859
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	8,131	5,494,536	1,499,170	756,447	549,816	665,018	2,048,986	1,421,465
PUERTO RICO	11,549,365	8,253,914	55,312	109,202	-	22,890	55,312	132,092
VENEZUELA	20,401	3,953	93,111	-	-	-	93,111	-
JAPAN	8,941,221	5,735,664	1,100	4,045	-	-	1,100	4,045
GERMANY	7,110,795	5,086,484	240,576	141,634	2,363	3,707,211	242,939	3,848,845
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	111,590,468	81,704,210	6,546,865	5,459,231	3,548,352	2,679,854	10,095,217	8,139,085
STORES/BUNKERS *	4,782	1,461	-	-	16,751,296	23,887,463	16,751,296	23,887,463
TOTAL *	356,681,598	297,173,647	39,057,952	34,523,919	62,801,902	49,719,536	101,859,854	84,243,455

MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2015	2014
UNITED STATES	098	Edible Products	4,180,731	3,112,588
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	4,944,138	2,980,212
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	2,947,159	2,287,183
	642	Articles Of Paper	2,487,044	2,143,816
	741	Heating Cooling Equipment	2,777,429	1,252,475
	744	Mech. Handling Equipment	20,572,265	408,028
	752	Data Processing Machines	2,778,900	3,280,295
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	3,050,673	3,209,302
	821	Furniture And Parts	2,729,676	2,806,326
	897	Jewellery	5,773,274	3,927,443
TRINIDAD & TOB.	022	Milk And Cream	549,764	690,832
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,504,126	1,315,070
	098	Edible Products	1,261,025	874,993
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	2,491,863	1,190,036
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	532,882	581,752
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	30,289,042	35,537,705
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	643,363	417,936
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	1,402,697	1,159,573
	642	Articles Of Paper	1,018,026	1,426,864
	893	Articles Of Plastic	576,706	710,560
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres,Cases	548,453	653,966
	752	Data Processing Machines	886,823	1,148,993
	761	Television Receivers	2,007,755	172,574
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	1,573,291	405,318
	773	Electric Dist Equipment	513,254	19,996
	821	Furniture And Parts	605,926	581,251
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	535,989	230,327
	851	Footwear	946,390	1,413,368
	894	Toys Games, Baby Carriages	477,417	312,312
	897	Jewellery	5,296,640	2,526,138
IRELAND	098	Edible Products	13,084	31,123
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	299,600	84,097
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	27,600	37,926
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	180,497	161,394
	562	Fertilizers, Manufactured	10,709	-
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	65,427	31,798
	744	Mech. Handling Equipment	18,708,720	-
	759	Office Machine Parts	20,659	-
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	11,417	-
	872	Medical Appliances	26,244	-
UNITED KINGDOM	024	Cheese And Curd	499,151	464,971
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	922,060	794,604
	061	Sugar, Molasses, Honey	665,351	760,347
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,126,509	706,941
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	514,643	738,685
	723	Contractors Plant Equipment	694,461	82,181
	781	Motor Cars	417,103	213,770
	785	Motor Cycles; Cycles	281,696	7,586
	892	Printed Matter	750,774	332,042
	893	Articles Of Plastic	500,526	273,366

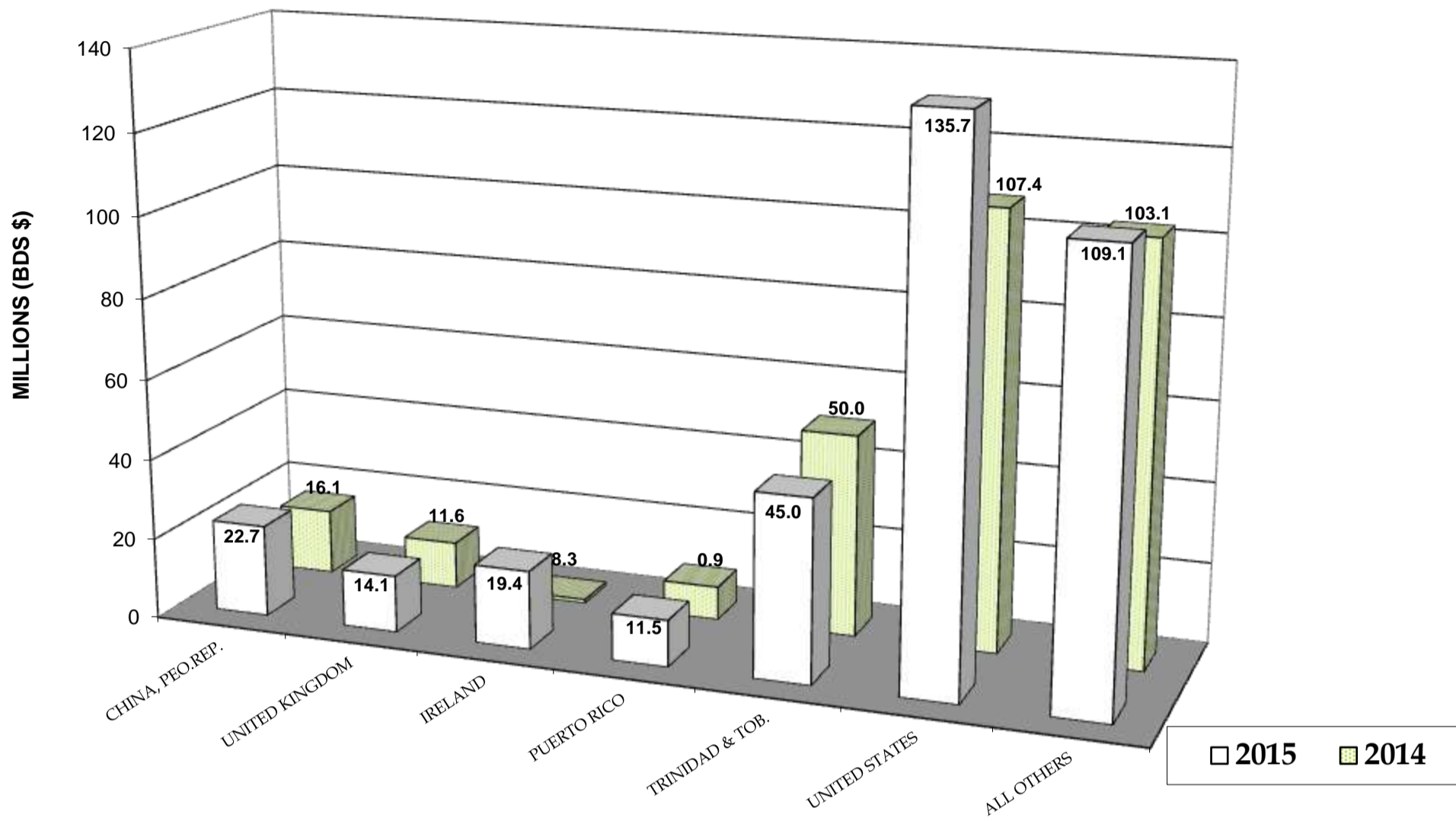
MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2015	2014
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	325,443	186,571
	091	Margarine And Shortening	715,821	626,741
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	139,185	229,300
	333	Petroleum Crude	2,104,605	4,770,016
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	874,682	357,623
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	210,000	209,620
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	315,793	-
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	108,309	-
	692	Metal Containers	102,113	227,030
	893	Articles Of Plastic	157,909	560
GUYANA	017	Meat Prepared	108,239	-
	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	303,992	67,688
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	144,657	93,006
	091	Margarine And Shortening	102,890	106,656
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	143,738	58,420
	642	Articles Of Paper	145,936	87,044
	661	Lime, Cement	2,924,699	2,129,176
	892	Printed Matter	138,635	41,528
	893	Articles Of Plastic	136,598	180,618
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	356,000	59,064
UNITED STATES	034	Fish Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	114,255	30,570
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	309,097	90,728
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,885,407	2,110,073
	289	Ores Of Precious Metal	68,030	280,608
	692	Metal Containers	97,210	672
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	68,485	76,376
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	609,604	605,389
	872	Medical Appliances	241,632	-
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	412,940	108,760
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	62,960	24,400
JAMAICA	017	Meat Prepared	157,716	-
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	555,120	239,759
	059	Fruit Juices	121,622	-
	091	Margarine And Shortening	48,971	49,277
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	137,674	73,514
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	975,731	51,909
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	114,129	-
	692	Metal Containers	1,039,483	459,135
	892	Printed Matter	363,795	362,663
	898	Musical Instruments	93,660	-
ST. LUCIA	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	344,303	424,402
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	159,184	59,744
	091	Margarine And Shortening	203,283	297,893
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	172,055	24,496
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	158,311	410,699
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	150,375	171,073
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	159,253	83,531
	776	Valves Tubes Diodes	229,523	-
	892	Printed Matter	195,430	100,057
	893	Articles Of Plastic	363,923	20,570

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2015	2014
UNITED STATES	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,267,811	856,220
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	3,846,710	1,071,570
	667	Pearls And Precious Stones	1,578,472	2,019
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	813,574	224,252
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	2,445,879	130,512
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	628,722	152,263
	851	Footwear	815,527	439,259
	885	Watches And Clocks	6,629,199	4,095,464
	894	Toys Games, Baby Carriages	714,329	54,573
	897	Jewellery	14,316,622	2,145,232
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	16,751,296	23,887,463
TRINIDAD & TOB.	112	Alcoholic Beverages	3,725	927
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,473,687	1,876,074
	642	Articles Of Paper	1,192	-
	692	Metal Containers	3,080	2,280
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	770	-
	723	Contractors Plant Equipment	3,020	-
	771	Electric Power Machines	1,500	-
	778	Electrical Machinery & Apparatus	875	-
	872	Medical Appliances	22,896	36,054
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	1,230	-
FRANCE	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	737,479	489,697
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	29,600	8,441
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	261,479	197,453
	844	Female Clothing Knitted	75,789	18,967
	845	Articles Of Apparel	40,420	81,847
	846	Clothing Accessories	27,867	24,246
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	102,178	439,994
	851	Footwear	201,941	129,475
	884	Optical Cord	31,197	40,544
	897	Jewellery	85,796	189,313
PANAMA	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	287,685	-
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	135,059	-
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	211,826	-
	843	Male Clothing Knitted	17,280	-
	844	Female Clothing Knitted	108,373	-
	845	Articles Of Apparel	150,418	-
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	20,433	-
	851	Footwear	207,666	-
	885	Watches And Clocks	62,225	-
	897	Jewellery	28,826	-

MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014

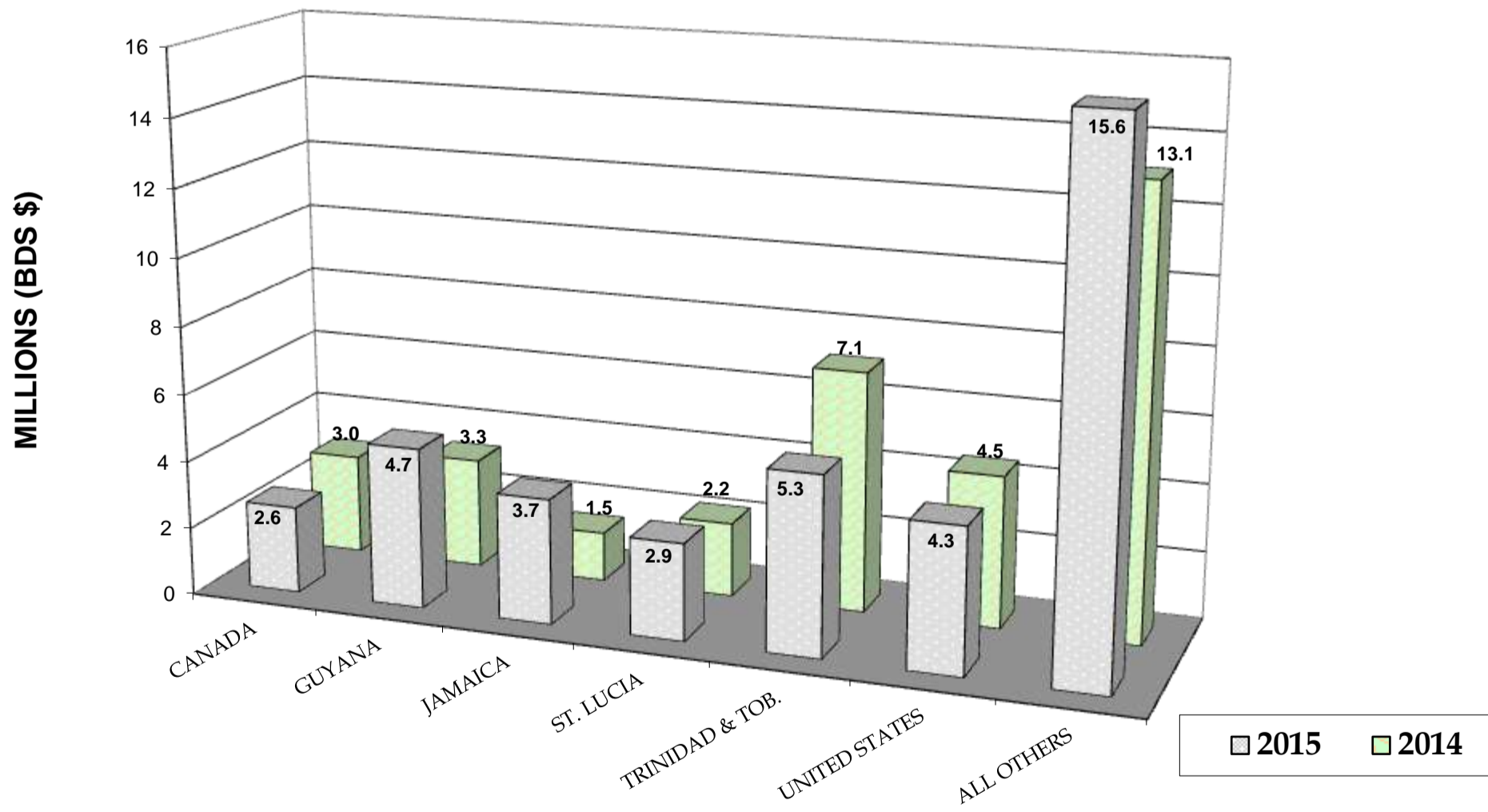


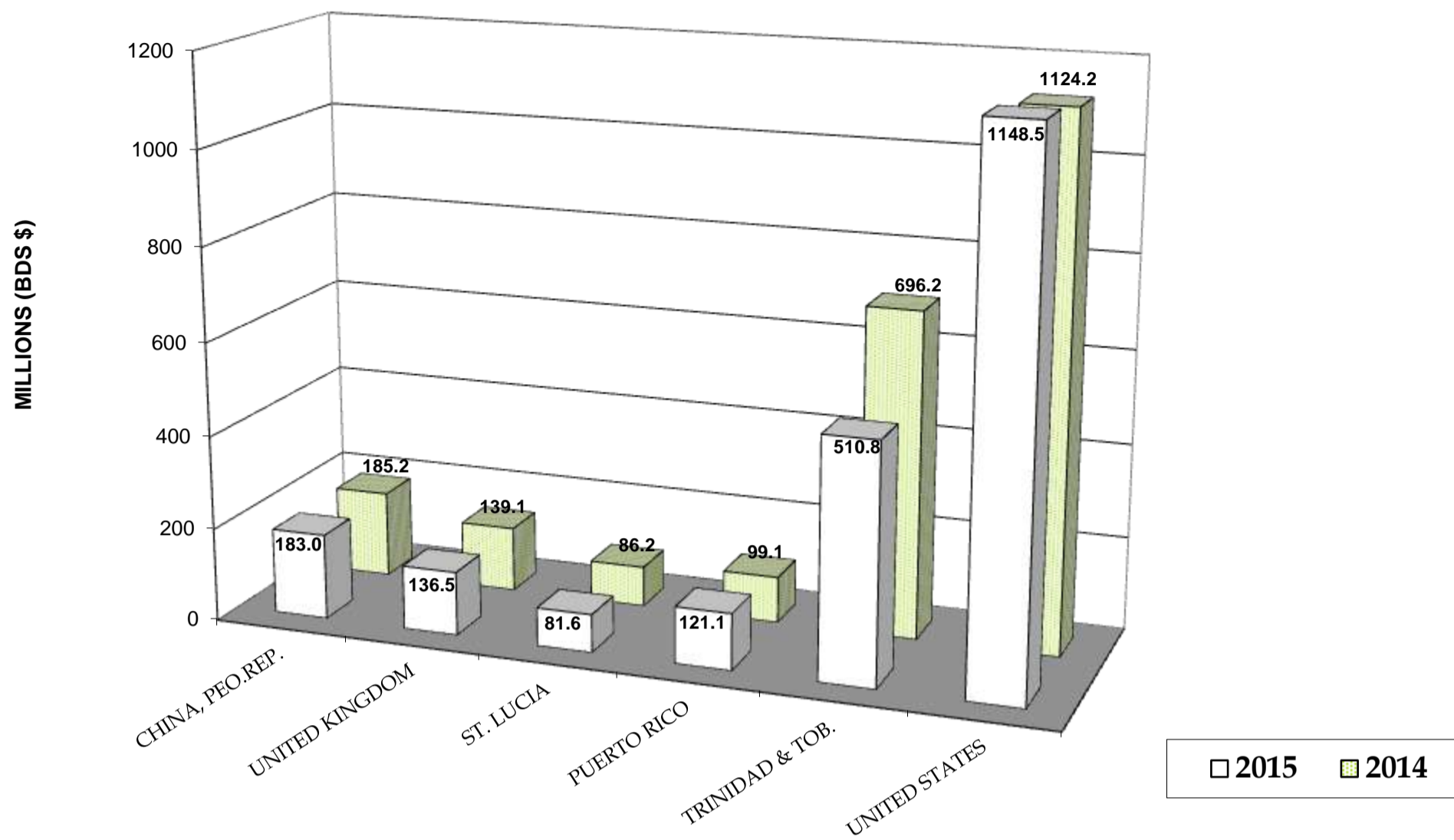
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JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2014

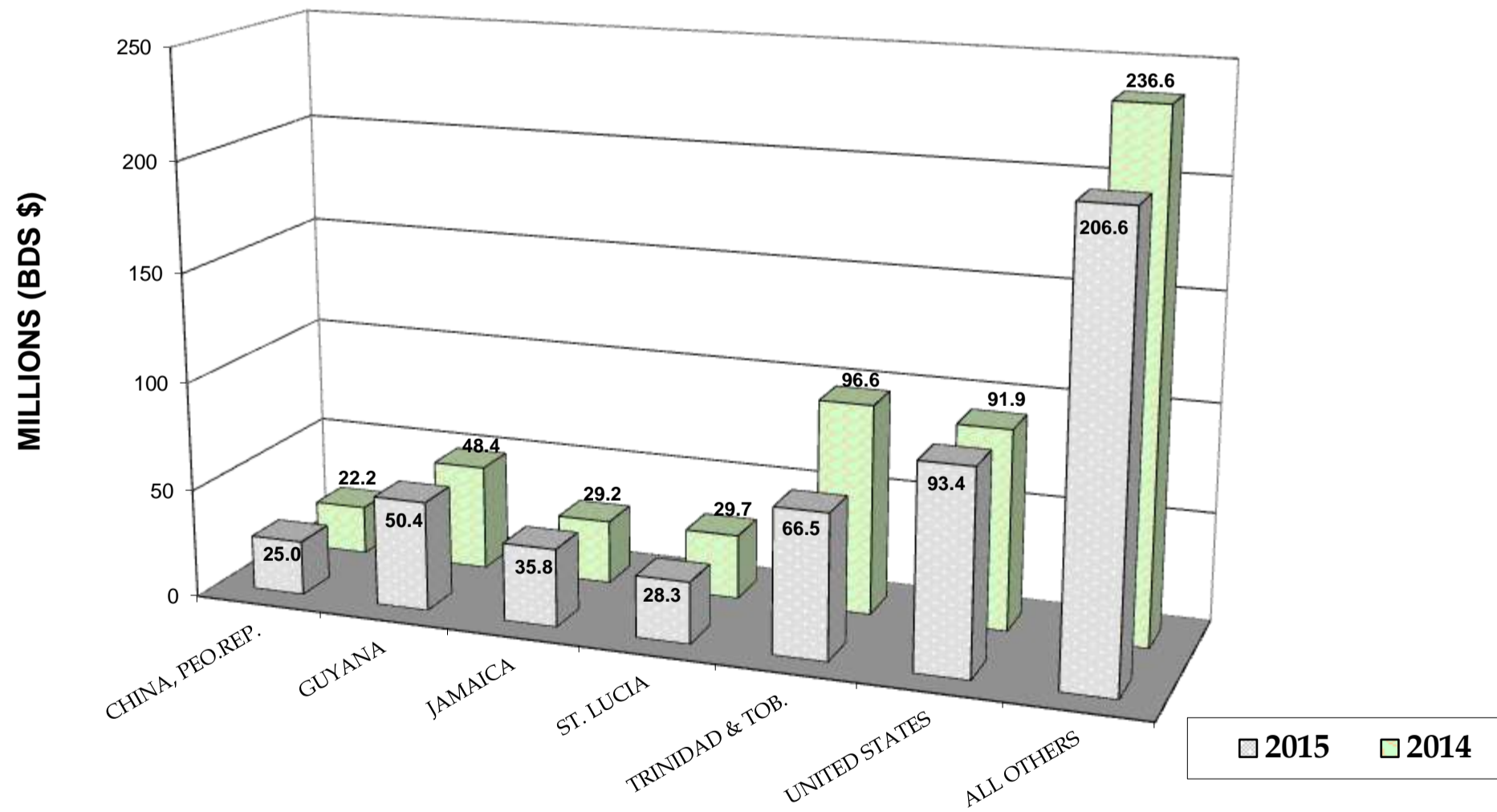
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COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)				TOTAL	
	2015*	2014	DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		2015*	2014
	2015*	2014	2015*	2014	2015*	2014	2015*	2014
UNITED KINGDOM	136,395,056	139,063,411	24,597,969	27,148,624	3,494,077	6,347,738	28,092,046	33,496,362
CANADA	76,478,417	81,665,581	17,046,343	21,202,816	347,907	2,066,240	17,394,250	23,269,056
UNITED STATES	1,148,095,477	1,124,137,421	93,428,596	91,867,545	216,875,822	65,079,329	310,304,418	156,946,874
CARICOM *	682,149,107	988,929,421	260,078,670	285,731,097	50,999,860	50,326,719	311,078,530	336,057,816
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	104,337,096	108,056,967	97,765,183	102,552,700	27,656,042	27,044,737	125,421,225	129,597,437
OTHER COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN	17,539,601	11,988,968	13,534,155	12,805,746	7,107,741	7,422,504	20,641,896	20,228,250
PUERTO RICO	121,070,977	99,065,798	888,615	859,426	711,345	592,002	1,599,960	1,451,428
VENEZUELA	122,307	111,173	132,142	336,404	223	101,975	132,365	438,379
JAPAN	69,036,582	65,111,597	18,051	83,739	602,754	40,601	620,805	124,340
GERMANY	53,936,785	48,384,881	2,119,591	2,029,046	74,698	3,779,679	2,194,289	5,808,725
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES	931,343,089	919,758,757	94,185,890	112,521,431	28,456,038	26,271,114	122,641,928	138,792,545
STORES/BUNKERS *	12,330	5,548	-	-	151,137,240	232,151,572	151,137,240	232,151,572
TOTAL *	3,236,179,728	3,478,222,556	506,030,022	554,585,874	459,807,705	394,179,473	965,837,727	948,765,347

MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - IMPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2014



MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS - DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS OF 2014



VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014

TABLE 5

(BDS \$)

S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2015*	2014	2015*	2014	2015*	2014
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	9,991,729	9,802,285	5,047,093	3,795,803	43,934	59,339	5,091,027	3,855,142
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	4,500,040	3,654,341	621,082	608,030	175,935	174,810	797,017	782,840
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	929,065	512,933	396,406	164,592	-	10,387	396,406	174,979
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	39,032,381	39,965,763	2,105,543	4,774,426	13,240	1,397	2,118,783	4,775,823
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	17,722	15,763	280,723	256,765	-	2,376	280,723	259,141
5 CHEMICALS	2,793,374	2,676,054	5,032,427	3,488,434	4,684,964	4,217,927	9,717,391	7,706,361
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	2,120,530	4,384,255	5,788,301	4,633,730	224,355	180,449	6,012,656	4,814,179
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	276,061	406,009	682,273	393,929	158,862	109,180	841,135	503,109
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	1,985,257	2,451,030	2,468,817	1,631,900	311,894	313,767	2,780,711	1,945,667
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	21,122	80,912	566,135	165,364	420	400	566,555	165,764
TOTAL *	61,667,281	63,949,345	22,988,800	19,912,973	5,613,604	5,070,032	28,602,404	24,983,005

VALUE OF CARICOM IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY SECTION OF THE S.I.T.C
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TABLE 6

(BDS \$)

S.I.T.C SECTION	IMPORTS(c.i.f)		EXPORTS(f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
			2015*	2014	2015*	2014	2015*	2014
0 FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS	103,651,663	92,585,798	58,797,211	62,290,898	888,063	1,243,231	59,685,274	63,534,129
1 BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO	45,150,597	43,611,241	8,468,523	9,343,903	1,426,566	1,401,000	9,895,089	10,744,903
2 CRUDE MATERIALS INEDIBLE EXCEPT FUELS	8,568,946	6,871,937	2,110,584	3,755,114	38,107	54,653	2,148,691	3,809,767
3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS *	444,160,971	759,254,845	27,947,055	46,719,821	27,085	6,771	27,974,140	46,726,592
4 ANIMAL & VEGETABLE OILS & FATS	172,679	232,579	4,297,983	4,425,641	7,638	8,352	4,305,621	4,433,993
5 CHEMICALS	24,701,755	25,686,068	59,083,770	58,017,180	36,581,512	35,990,644	95,665,282	94,007,824
6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL	31,056,911	35,017,040	63,358,463	65,154,828	3,439,906	3,403,046	66,798,369	68,557,874
7 MACHINERY & TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	5,199,538	6,304,379	5,392,299	5,669,510	3,251,258	2,272,112	8,643,557	7,941,622
8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES	18,859,342	18,745,558	28,480,144	28,568,783	5,330,635	5,929,460	33,810,779	34,498,243
9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES	626,705	619,976	2,142,638	1,785,419	9,090	17,450	2,151,728	1,802,869
TOTAL *	682,149,107	988,929,421	260,078,670	285,731,097	50,999,860	50,326,719	311,078,530	336,057,816

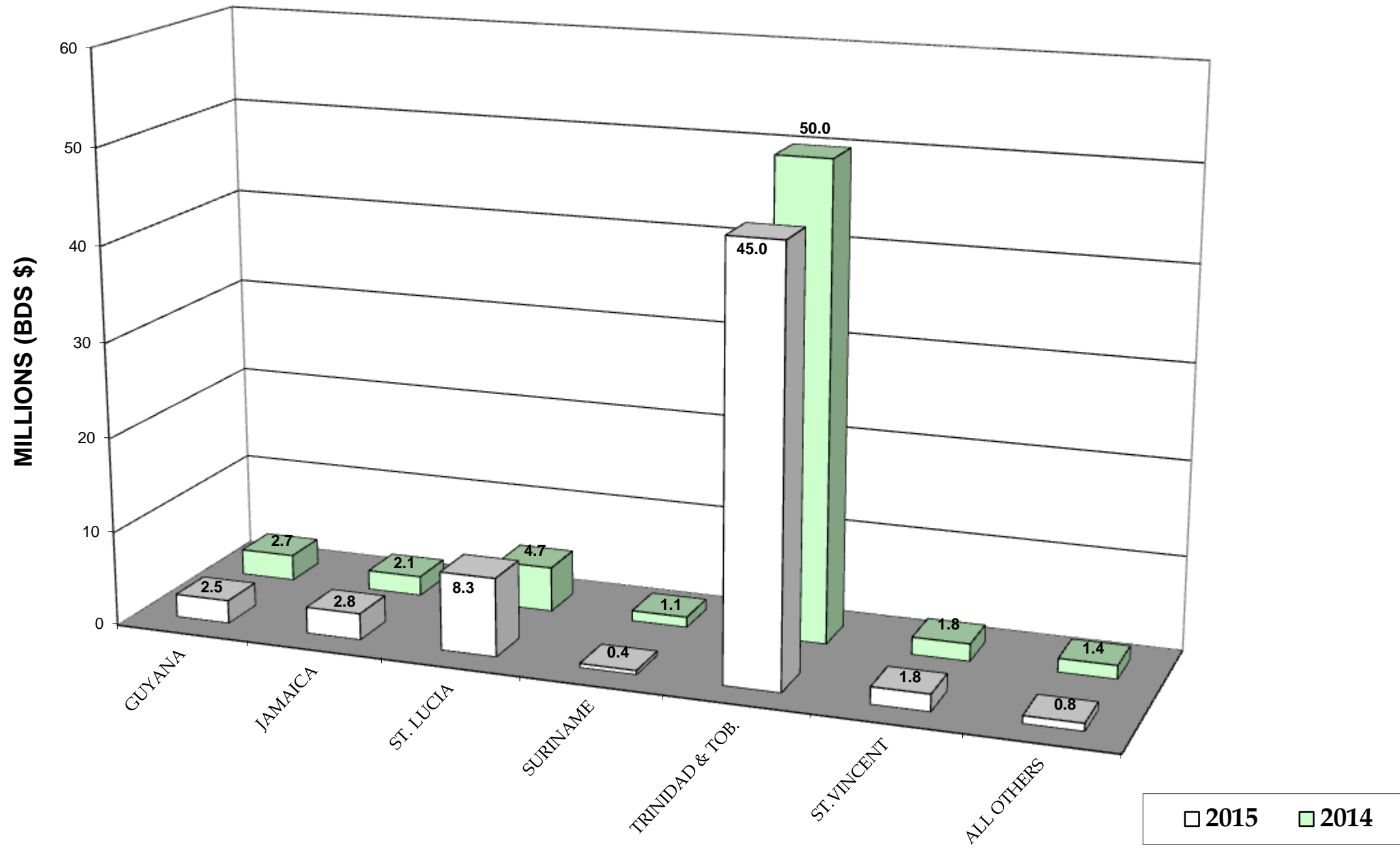
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**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014**

(BDS \$)

COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>
ANTIGUA	36,160	60,629	1,148,543	1,517,088	235,525	379,140	1,384,068	1,896,228
BELIZE	295,963	586,087	388,016	147,861	7,339	26,542	395,355	174,403
DOMINICA	18,509	437,383	875,396	290,287	105,771	94,741	981,167	385,028
GRENADA	327,862	308,727	1,300,189	1,254,371	472,904	585,940	1,773,093	1,840,311
GUYANA	2,451,299	2,732,612	4,747,589	3,258,526	77,070	38,501	4,824,659	3,297,027
HAITI	2,761	46,810	120,919	189,255	89,677	28,378	210,596	217,633
JAMAICA	2,799,541	2,054,070	3,694,555	1,453,289	819,827	842,251	4,514,382	2,295,540
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	137,219	8,165	484,513	1,161,783	248,524	341,569	733,037	1,503,352
ST. LUCIA	8,310,729	4,737,171	2,863,612	2,193,496	365,798	429,663	3,229,410	2,623,159
MONSTERRAT	-	-	23,008	5,871	26,888	-	49,896	5,871
SURINAME	430,084	1,095,331	264,742	367,807	-	-	264,742	367,807
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	45,042,897	50,035,194	5,277,864	7,084,493	2,515,309	1,951,243	7,793,173	9,035,736
ST. VINCENT	1,814,257	1,847,166	1,799,854	988,846	648,972	352,064	2,448,826	1,340,910
CARICOM TOTAL *	61,667,281	63,949,345	22,988,800	19,912,973	5,613,604	5,070,032	28,602,404	24,983,005
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	10,644,736	7,399,241	8,495,115	7,411,742	2,104,382	2,183,117	10,599,497	9,594,859

CARICOM IMPORTS
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014

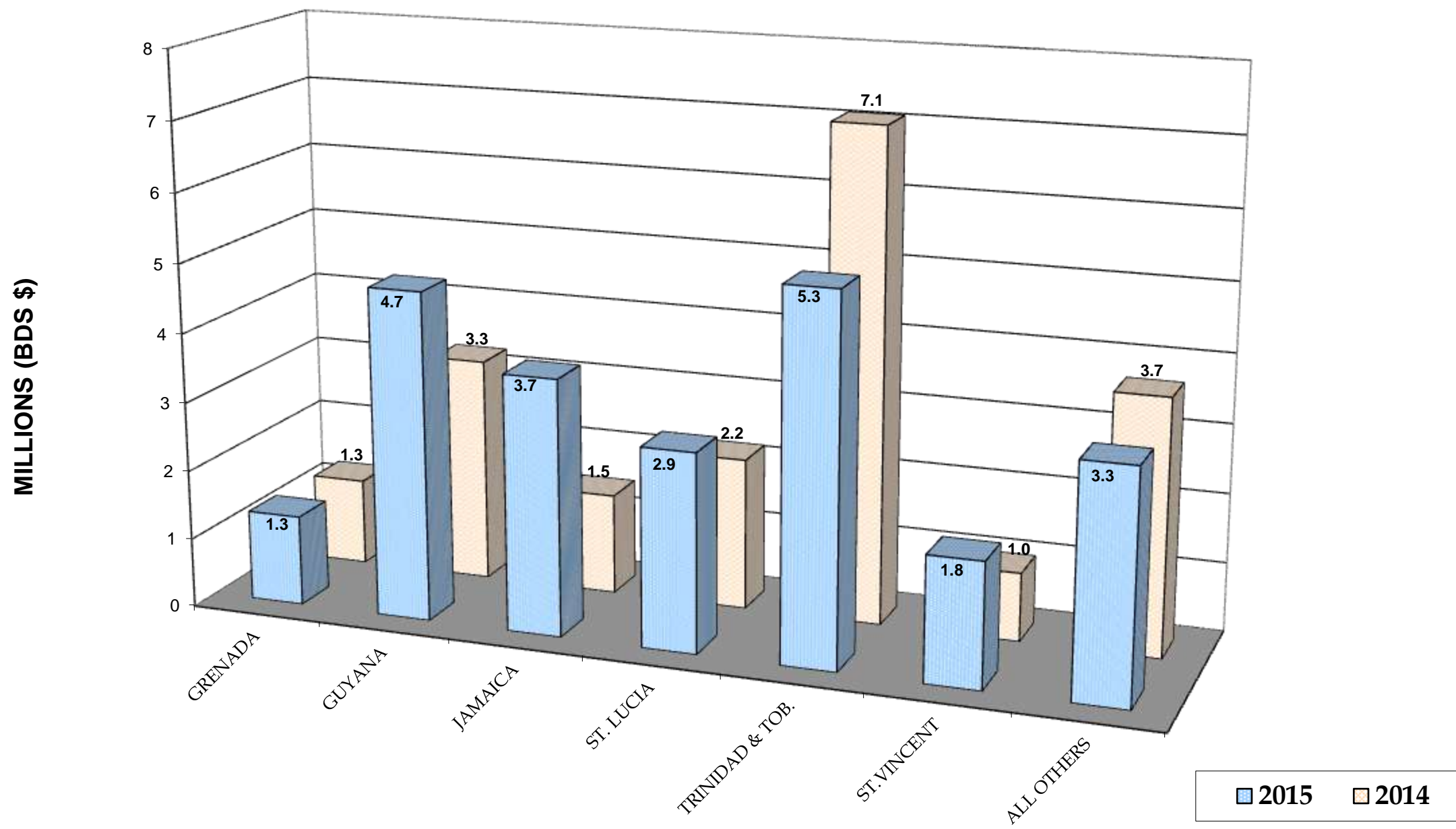


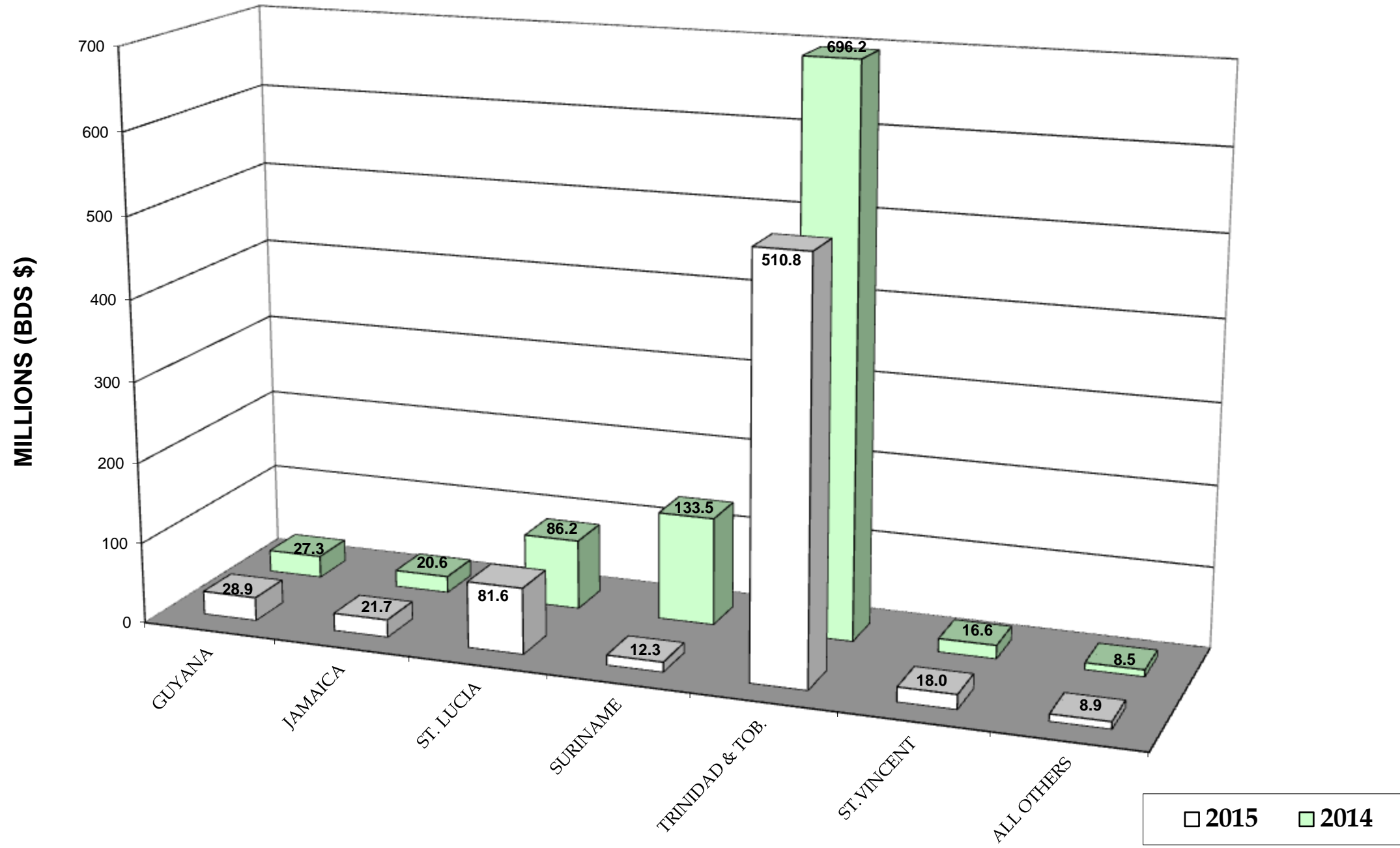
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**VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2014**

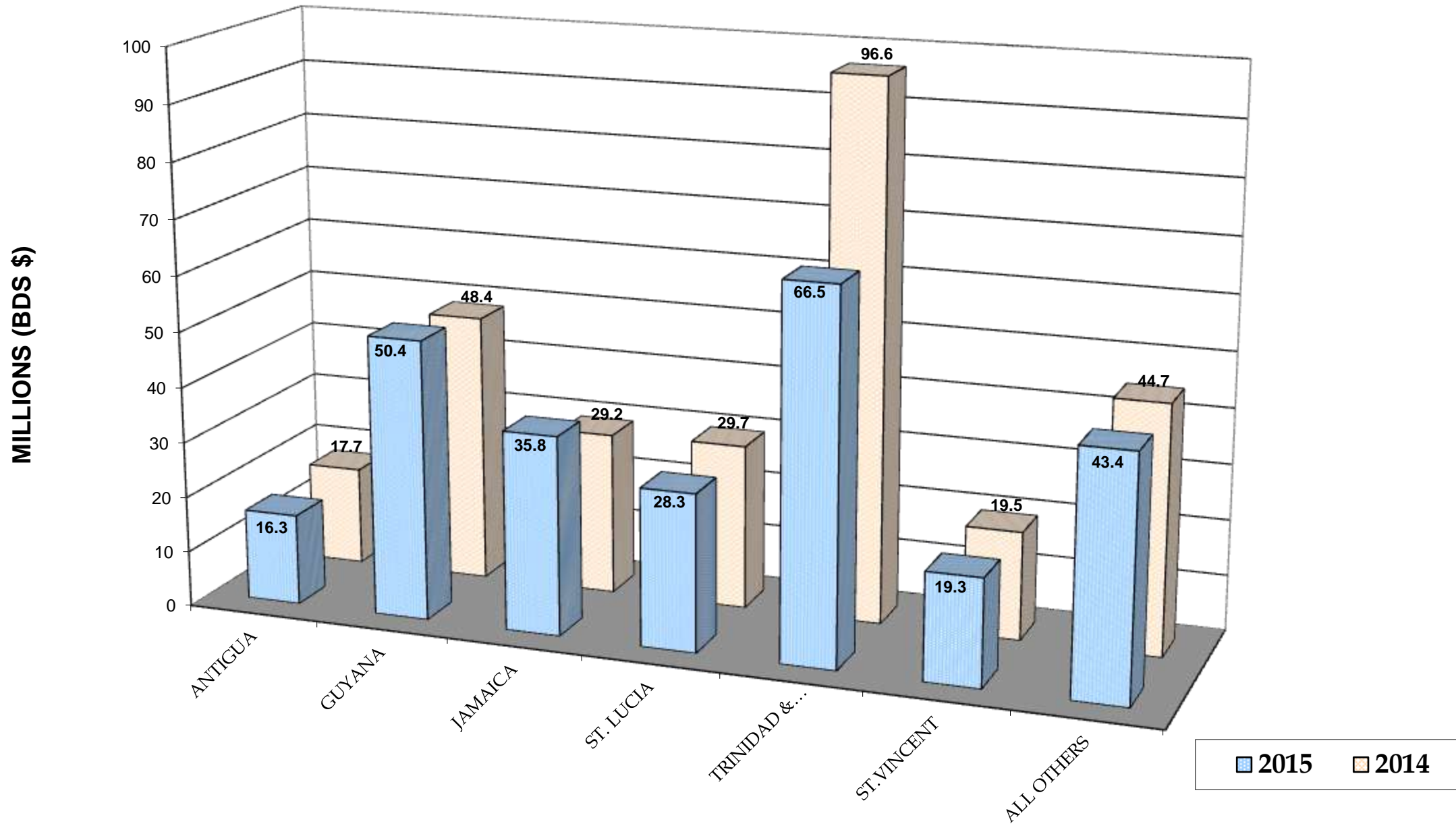
COUNTRY	IMPORTS (c.i.f)		EXPORTS (f.o.b)					
			DOMESTIC		RE-EXPORTS		TOTAL	
	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014</u>
ANTIGUA	415,825	322,908	16,304,756	17,698,811	4,668,068	3,499,072	20,972,824	21,197,883
BELIZE	3,758,381	3,167,051	3,145,637	2,505,529	97,655	111,938	3,243,292	2,617,467
DOMINICA	1,561,714	2,311,469	6,790,812	6,393,607	2,376,847	2,750,461	9,167,659	9,144,068
GRENADA	2,461,936	2,372,574	14,975,103	18,476,773	4,020,634	4,109,303	18,995,737	22,586,076
GUYANA	28,890,245	27,292,965	50,398,955	48,440,626	960,207	847,675	51,359,162	49,288,301
HAITI	375,163	187,380	588,231	1,575,408	459,740	446,089	1,047,971	2,021,497
JAMAICA	21,673,628	20,589,757	35,839,317	29,222,691	8,658,737	7,972,989	44,498,054	37,195,680
ST.KITTS/NEVIS	288,211	172,732	11,656,472	10,509,123	3,136,077	3,802,918	14,792,549	14,312,041
ST. LUCIA	81,585,396	86,231,082	28,319,976	29,651,737	7,422,741	7,368,868	35,742,717	37,020,605
MONSTERRAT	5,558	6,040	424,494	363,387	213,089	67,356	637,583	430,743
SURINAME	12,322,442	133,465,842	5,805,255	4,843,893	96,323	50,599	5,901,578	4,894,492
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO *	510,792,152	696,169,459	66,536,092	96,590,250	13,071,156	13,852,692	79,607,248	110,442,942
ST. VINCENT	18,018,456	16,640,162	19,293,570	19,459,262	5,818,586	5,446,759	25,112,156	24,906,021
CARICOM TOTAL *	682,149,107	988,929,421	260,078,670	285,731,097	50,999,860	50,326,719	311,078,530	336,057,816
OF WHICH O.E.C.S	104,337,096	108,056,967	97,765,183	102,552,700	27,656,042	27,044,737	125,421,225	129,597,437

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CARICOM IMPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014



CARICOM DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014



**PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014**

	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2015	2014
IMPORTS	098	Edible Products	9,062,631	6,915,121
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	49,312,167	53,042,435
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	10,114,783	10,697,199
	642	Articles Of Paper	5,034,896	4,897,278
	744	Mech. Handling Equipment	40,345,215	577,249
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	5,187,992	4,306,283
	781	Motor Cars	8,955,852	8,580,575
	885	Watches And Clocks	9,603,163	5,006,514
	893	Articles Of Plastic	6,152,289	5,481,432
	897	Jewellery	16,536,330	10,706,727
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,877,874	941,935
	091	Margarine And Shortening	1,300,313	1,318,066
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	5,700,593	5,335,182
	263	Cotton	1,463,790	-
	333	Petroleum Crude	2,104,605	4,770,016
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	5,385,834	2,968,412
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	1,303,043	1,057,445
	661	Lime, Cement	3,041,540	2,489,120
	692	Metal Containers	1,254,408	687,637
892	Printed Matter	1,943,726	1,759,871	
RE-EXPORTS	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,489,718	1,066,153
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	16,759,590	23,887,463
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	5,133,935	4,819,132
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	3,883,318	1,094,856
	667	Pearls And Precious Stones	1,578,472	2,019
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	1,852,405	713,949
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	2,620,094	201,705
	851	Footwear	1,225,134	568,734
	885	Watches And Clocks	6,726,441	4,119,109
	897	Jewellery	14,449,124	2,362,109

SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014

TABLE 9

COMMODITY	SITC CODE	(BDS \$)			
		<u>2015</u>	%	<u>2014</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	-	0.0	-	0.0
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	1,300,313	3.3	1,318,066	3.8
RUM	112.441/449	5,102,282	13.1	4,741,216	13.7
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	993,417	2.5	1,251,811	3.6
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	5,399,448	13.8	3,134,951	9.1
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	13,983	0.0	16,656	0.0
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	1,303,043	3.3	1,057,445	3.1
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	383,465	1.0	242,172	0.7
CEMENT	661.222	3,041,540	7.8	2,468,120	7.1
METAL CONTAINERS	692	1,254,408	3.2	687,637	2.0
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	50,242	0.1	69,373	0.2
CLOTHING	841-848	45,122	0.1	11,080	0.0
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		18,887,263	48.4	14,998,527	43.4
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	771.21,776.1-3,81 772.31-33,35,38,41 44-46,49,51-56,59 778.6,72-74,79,849 841,759.95	1,045,988	2.7	917,955	2.7
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		19,124,701	49.0	18,610,439	53.9
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		39,057,952	100.0	34,526,921	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles

SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2014

TABLE 10

COMMODITY	SITC CODE	(BDS \$)			
		JANUARY -			
		<u>2015</u>	%	<u>2014</u>	%
SUGAR	061.11	7,202,391	1.4	18,112,818	3.3
MARGARINE AND SHORTENING	091	18,610,575	3.7	19,975,486	3.6
RUM	112.441/449	76,260,964	15.1	78,727,217	14.2
PIGMENTS, PAINTS & VARNISHES	533	14,288,336	2.8	12,513,581	2.3
MEDICAMENTS & PHARMACEUTICALS	541-542	54,780,441	10.8	51,154,201	9.2
SOAPS & CLEANING PREPARATIONS	554	155,192	0.0	801,899	0.1
DISINFECTANTS, INSECTICIDES ETC.	591	19,006,725	3.8	20,019,157	3.6
PAPER, PAPER PRODUCTS AND ARTICLES OF PAPER	641-642	3,883,381	0.8	4,077,571	0.7
CEMENT	661.222	34,497,980	6.8	37,992,456	6.9
METAL CONTAINERS	692	15,500,493	3.1	12,616,971	2.3
FURNITURE AND PARTS	821	573,613	0.1	843,517	0.2
CLOTHING	841-848	327,174	0.1	403,234	0.1
TOTAL SELECTED DOMESTIC EXPORTS LESS ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS		245,087,265	48.4	257,238,108	46.4
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	771.21,776.1-3,81 772.31-33,35,38,41 44-46,49,51-56,59 778.6,72-74,79,849 841,759.95	16,356,203	3.2	16,006,128	2.9
OTHER DOMESTIC EXPORTS		244,589,554	48.3	281,372,640	50.7
TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS		506,033,022	100.0	554,616,876	100.0

NOTE: Electronic Components includes printed circuits for motor vehicles

MAIN IMPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF 2014

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2015	2014
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	21,519,665	20,566,966
	098	Edible Products	43,555,220	39,837,605
	222	Oil Seeds For Soft Veg. Oil	24,571,671	28,782,248
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	28,924,751	29,022,251
	642	Articles Of Paper	26,629,182	24,973,202
	744	Mech. Handling Equipment	30,473,207	11,783,256
	752	Data Processing Machines	23,114,150	27,745,232
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	30,019,662	36,102,531
	821	Furniture And Parts	27,932,401	27,524,897
	893	Articles Of Plastic	30,941,594	30,957,652
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	13,466,542	12,606,870
	098	Edible Products	11,645,441	11,063,432
	111	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21,340,087	17,882,507
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	6,304,720	7,072,655
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	358,025,594	536,229,356
	342	Liquified Propane, Butane	7,846,170	417,936
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	10,456,547	10,743,455
	642	Articles Of Paper	12,212,232	13,183,130
	676	Iron And Steel Bars, Rods	5,255,980	7,081,278
	893	Articles Of Plastic	5,322,535	5,385,747
CHINA, PEO.REP.	625	Rubber Tyres,Cases	6,626,212	6,583,263
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	4,887,125	5,099,535
	752	Data Processing Machines	11,962,541	12,564,727
	761	Television Receivers	5,678,276	5,318,209
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	20,142,345	29,638,693
	775	Household Type Equipment	5,014,081	4,013,658
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	5,096,394	3,987,338
	851	Footwear	10,216,446	10,378,094
	893	Articles Of Plastic	7,092,292	7,214,329
	897	Jewellery	11,827,804	10,387,851
IRELAND	011	Meat & Offal, Fresh, Chilled And Frozen	432,316	230,779
	012	Other Meat Fresh, Chilled	815,059	-
	023	Butter And Fats/Oils Excluding Milk	564,771	616,432
	098	Edible Products	435,705	302,085
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	944,159	585,317
	122	Tobacco Manufactured	214,374	233,130
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	2,018,614	1,343,566
	551	Essential Oils	483,189	658,191
	598	Misc. Chemical Products	506,827	477,962
	744	Mech. Handling Equipment	18,846,490	-
UNITED KINGDOM	024	Cheese And Curd	4,762,036	3,335,663
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	5,438,282	5,407,979
	061	Sugar, Molasses, Honey	7,066,715	8,601,991
	098	Edible Products	4,221,117	4,959,970
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	6,966,747	5,179,859
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	8,366,250	8,115,565
	699	Base Metal Manufactures	3,341,597	2,766,860
	781	Motor Cars	6,513,944	6,246,311
	874	Measuring Checking Instruments	4,394,468	9,372,091
	892	Printed Matter	8,650,417	7,094,458

MAIN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2014

COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2015	2014
TRINIDAD & TOB.	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	2,892,631	5,184,729
	091	Margarine And Shortening	8,224,568	9,094,429
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	1,193,267	1,899,793
	333	Petroleum Crude	27,922,085	46,693,836
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	5,389,571	6,622,120
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	1,318,594	1,186,095
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	6,332,636	7,074,885
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	891,594	375,916
	692	Metal Containers	5,168,638	6,993,604
	892	Printed Matter	1,258,992	2,365,058
GUYANA	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	2,945,009	2,398,143
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,512,646	2,142,375
	059	Fruit Juices	846,271	703,225
	091	Margarine And Shortening	1,308,150	1,070,413
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	835,232	539,579
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	2,186,507	1,707,073
	642	Articles Of Paper	1,111,737	939,664
	661	Lime, Cement	30,979,537	29,998,070
	892	Printed Matter	2,256,582	2,213,984
	893	Articles Of Plastic	1,854,191	2,089,106
UNITED STATES	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	5,651,029	5,536,449
	061	Sugar, Molasses, Honey	1,307,674	6,694,776
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	40,058,825	41,667,893
	289	Ores Of Precious Metal	3,091,480	3,731,848
	658	Made-Up Textile Articles	1,507,781	1,317,928
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	11,682,466	10,891,817
	873	Meters And Counters	11,870,073	270,559
	897	Jewellery	4,237,841	1,650,739
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	3,022,345	5,104,548
	931	Special Transactions And Commodities	1,499,381	3,283,517
JAMAICA	017	Meat Prepared	909,336	951,215
	047	Other Cereals, Meals, Flours	884,420	818,415
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	3,558,996	3,315,301
	091	Margarine And Shortening	944,194	1,050,857
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	1,277,505	1,064,605
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	8,628,158	6,817,964
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	1,193,374	1,261,034
	692	Metal Containers	9,830,038	4,958,824
	813	Light Fixtures,Fittings	651,687	59,568
	892	Printed Matter	6,030,706	5,981,625
ST. LUCIA	046	Meals Flour, Wheat, Meslin	3,828,819	4,555,936
	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	1,099,382	1,983,065
	059	Fruit Juices	2,420,463	1,966,678
	091	Margarine And Shortening	2,867,966	3,182,708
	421	Fixed Vegetable Oils And Fat, Soft	1,886,509	1,725,910
	533	Pigments, Paints, Varnishes	2,054,122	1,775,525
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	1,485,383	1,694,519
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	1,158,604	1,351,448
	691	Structures Etc Iron, Steel	1,122,263	1,182,072
	892	Printed Matter	1,367,297	1,200,084

MAIN RE- EXPORTS OF THE MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS
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COUNTRY	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2015	2014
UNITED STATES	112	Alcoholic Beverages	3,977,136	2,411,501
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	10,684,748	3,470,331
	667	Pearls And Precious Stones	3,530,797	757,223
	763	Sound Recorders	8,887,715	44,992
	781	Motor Cars	12,999,912	441,075
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	4,033,584	1,227,687
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	5,209,680	1,265,432
	851	Footwear	10,902,550	1,696,744
	885	Watches And Clocks	55,835,824	21,257,580
	897	Jewellery	67,668,822	17,536,353
SHIPS STORES	334	Petroleum Products Refined	151,137,240	232,151,572
TRINIDAD & TOB.	112	Alcoholic Beverages	104,364	245,500
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	10,228,088	11,359,190
	554	Soaps, Cleaning Prep.	81,428	18,837
	723	Contractors Plant Equipment	532,974	636
	751	Office Machines	120,000	-
	821	Furniture And Parts	103,355	55,213
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	110,186	133,058
	851	Footwear	126,387	-
	872	Medical Appliances	986,409	1,358,329
	892	Printed Matter	81,485	16,923
FRANCE	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	5,195,321	6,357,799
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	241,201	255,526
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	1,263,811	914,671
	844	Female Clothing Knitted	268,244	78,184
	845	Articles Of Apparel	273,395	375,223
	846	Clothing Accessories	300,234	395,629
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	687,313	915,291
	851	Footwear	1,230,550	1,238,885
	884	Optical Cord	251,827	376,416
	897	Jewellery	562,781	475,123
PANAMA	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	2,255,552	301,312
	841	Male Clothing-Non Knitted	744,208	448,242
	842	Female Clothing Non Knitted	922,589	323,817
	843	Male Clothing Knitted	236,524	56,430
	844	Female Clothing Knitted	283,176	17,725
	845	Articles Of Apparel	417,062	338,431
	848	Headgear-Non Textile Clothing	72,491	7,057
	851	Footwear	2,254,907	157,515
	885	Watches And Clocks	251,973	30,183
	897	Jewellery	55,884	5,305

**PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES TRADED WITH CARICOM
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015 WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 2014**

	SITC GROUP	DESCRIPTION	BDS(\$)	
			2015	2014
IMPORTS	098	Edible Products	88,164,114	84,354,043
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	54,244,572	46,687,297
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	581,453,801	845,665,692
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	116,612,256	134,583,778
	642	Articles Of Paper	52,877,587	51,400,502
	744	Mech. Handling Equipment	53,681,143	15,232,694
	764	Telecommunication Equipment	74,772,780	81,458,546
	781	Motor Cars	84,394,871	83,209,090
	893	Articles Of Plastic	68,059,538	71,306,584
	897	Jewellery	48,608,378	44,084,334
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	048	Cereal, Flour, Starch	18,460,917	23,761,064
	091	Margarine And Shortening	18,610,575	19,975,486
	112	Alcoholic Beverages	85,824,826	88,568,642
	333	Petroleum Crude	27,922,085	46,693,836
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	54,605,744	50,241,193
	591	Disinfectants,Insecticides	19,006,725	20,019,157
	661	Lime, Cement	34,852,295	38,147,050
	772	Electric Switches Fuses	16,075,414	15,886,453
	892	Printed Matter	24,440,872	27,969,727
	899	Misc. Manufactured Articles	31,991,483	35,284,254
RE-EXPORTS	112	Alcoholic Beverages	6,967,078	5,327,934
	334	Petroleum Products Refined	151,155,006	232,156,422
	542	Medicaments Including Vet. Med.	42,092,668	40,929,195
	553	Perfumery, Cosmetics	11,182,225	4,075,581
	763	Sound Recorders	8,888,466	44,992
	781	Motor Cars	14,497,002	5,928,229
	831	Travel Goods,Handbags	11,524,201	7,892,434
	851	Footwear	14,553,355	3,139,887
	885	Watches And Clocks	57,636,855	24,421,942
	897	Jewellery	69,323,339	21,350,185