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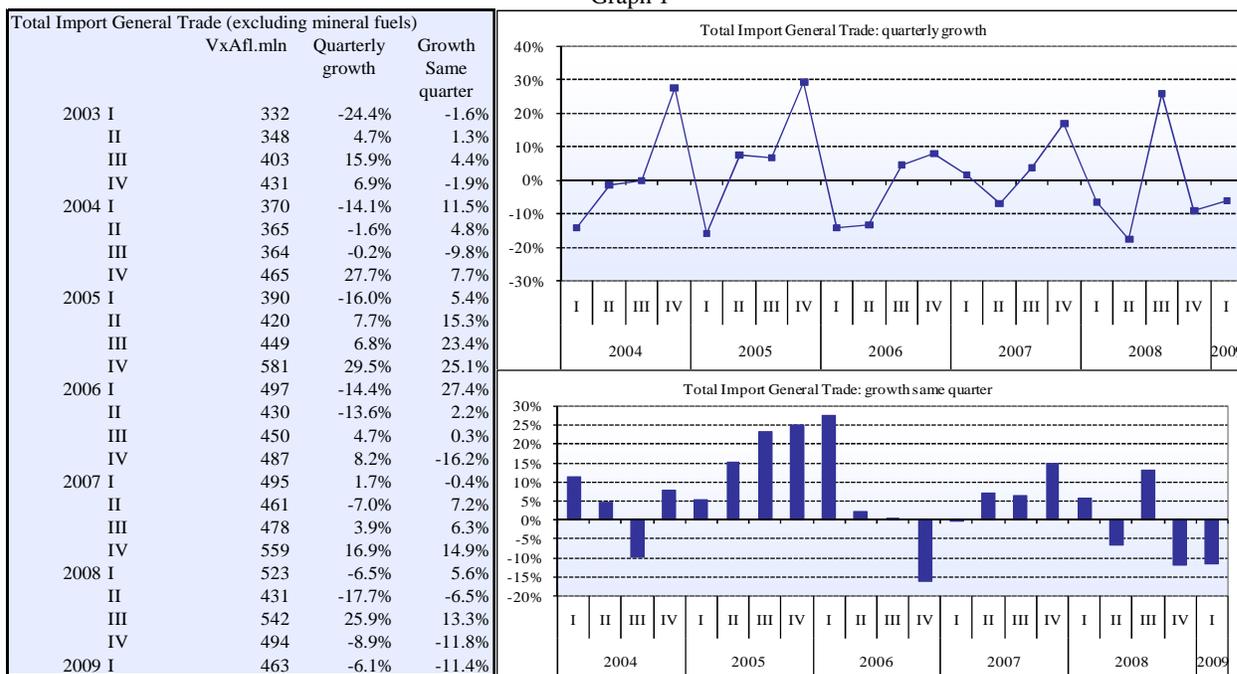
### INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FOR ARUBA: FIRST QUARTER 2009

In the first quarter of 2009 the following developments have been registered in the international merchandise flows of Aruba.

#### Trends in total Import and Export

During the first quarter of 2009 Aruba imported a total value of Afl. 463 million from the rest of the world. This represent a decrease of 11.4% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. (Graph 1)

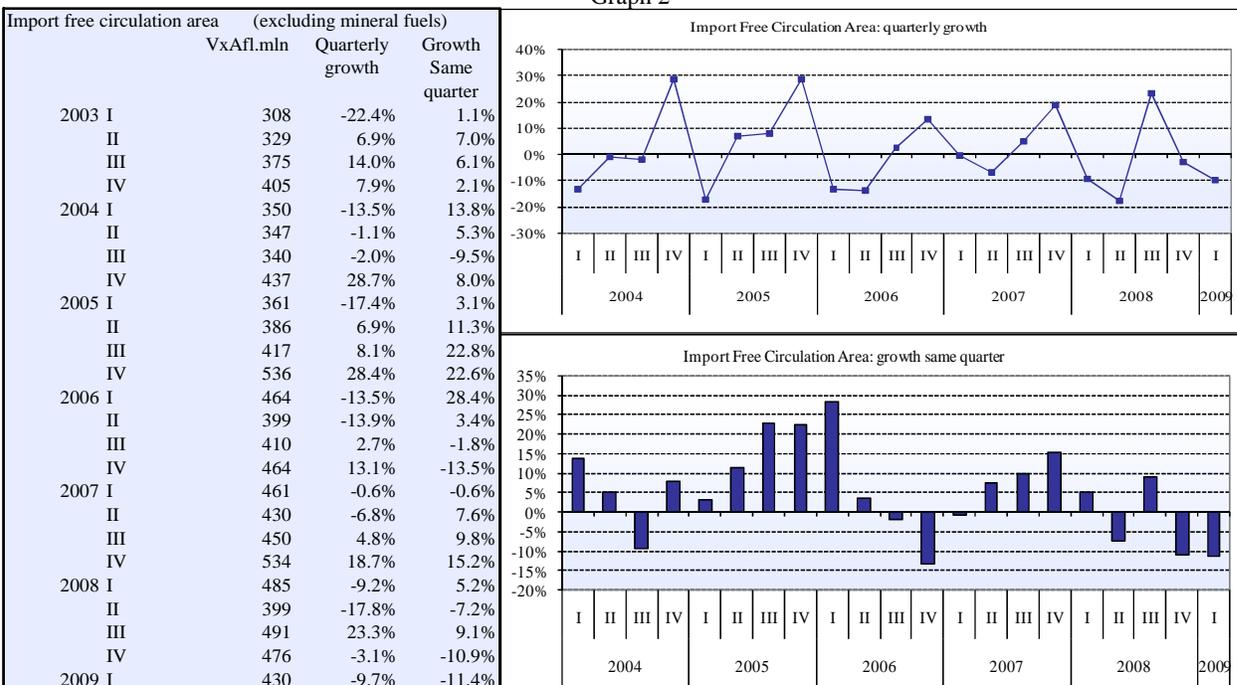
Graph 1



#### Merchandise trade in the free circulation area of Aruba

In the first quarter of 2009 import to the free circulation area of Aruba decreased with 11.4% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. The value of import to this area was Afl. 430 million in the first quarter of 2009. (Graph2)

Graph 2

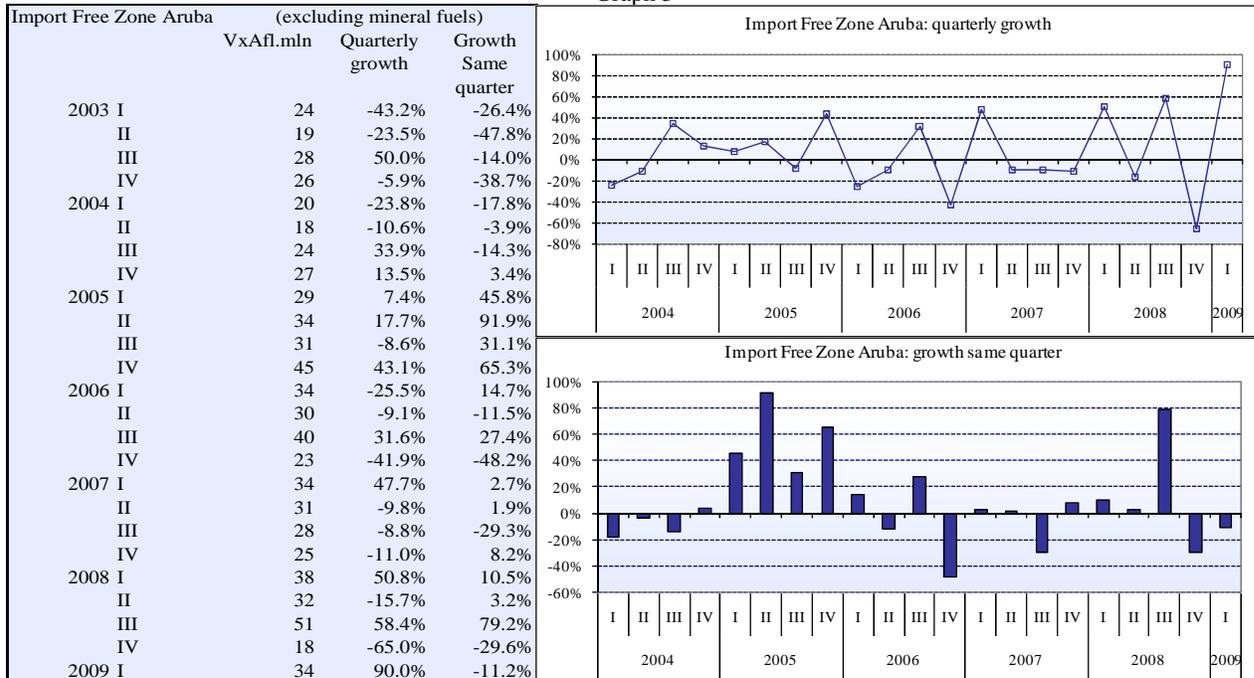




### Import and Export to the Free Zone of Aruba

The value of import to the Free Zone of Aruba for the first quarter of 2009 was Afl. 34 million. This represent an decrease of 11.2% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. (Graph 3)

Graph 3

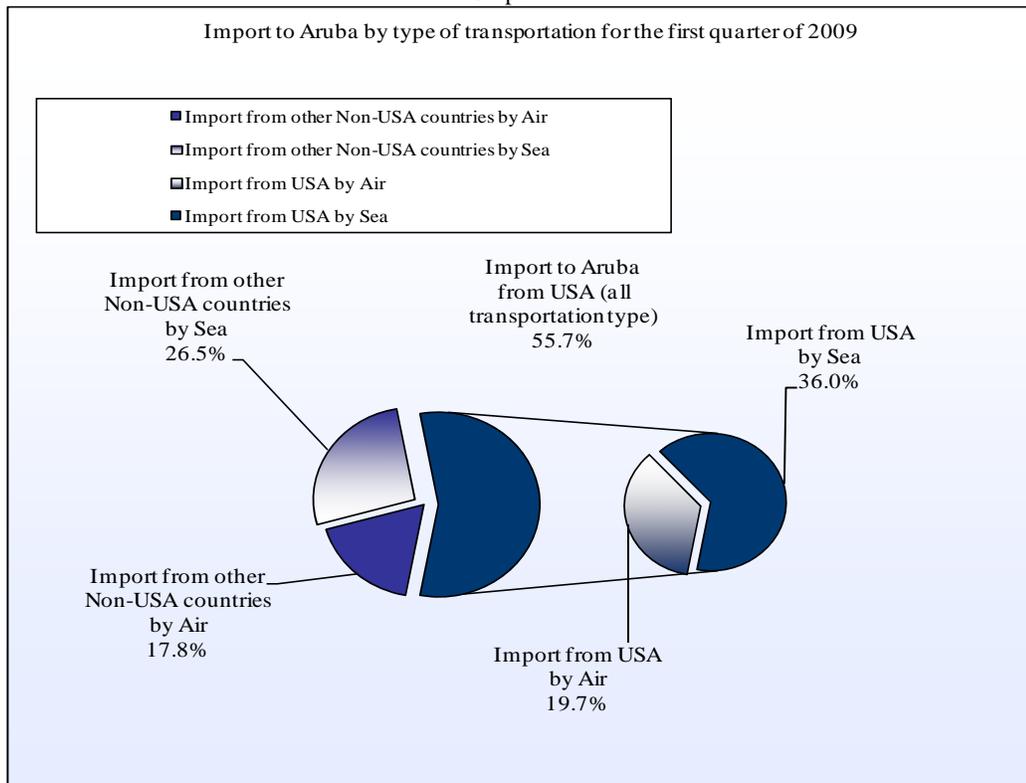


### Import to the free circulation area of Aruba from USA and Non-USA countries by type of transportation

An analysis of the transportation type used to import goods in Aruba indicated that for the first quarter of 2009, 62.5% of imports were by sea and 37.5% by air<sup>1)</sup>.

The USA had a share of 55.7% in imports to Aruba. From this share 36% was by sea, while 19.7% was by air<sup>1)</sup>. (Graph 4)  
Other customs information for the first quarter of 2009 indicated that the total number of containers<sup>2)</sup> entering the free circulation area decreased with 1%, from 3568 containers during the first quarter of 2009 to 3605 containers in the first quarter of 2008.

Graph 4

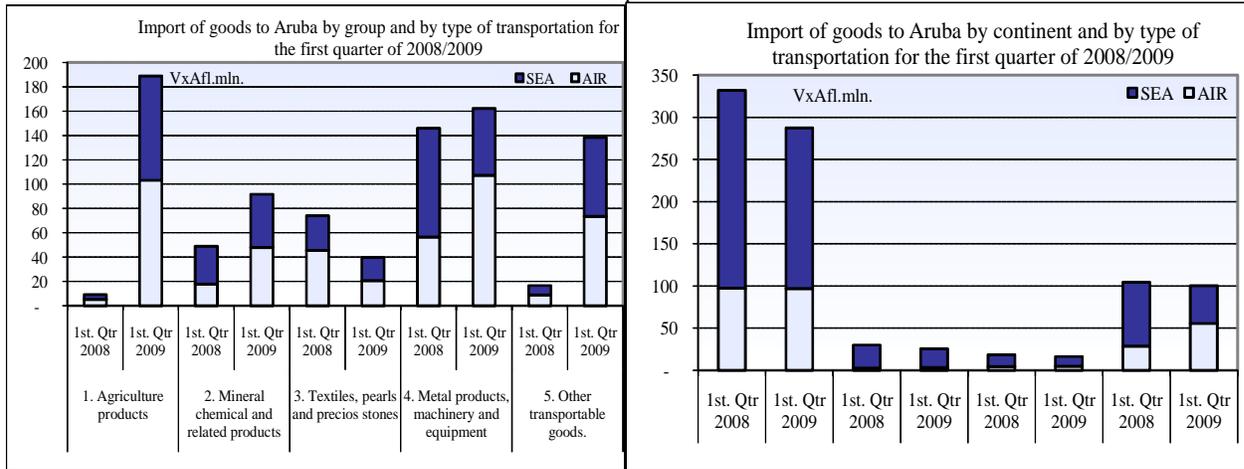




**Import to the free circulation area of Aruba by Group, Continent and type of transportation**

In the first quarter of 2009 the value of import to the free circulation area of Aruba for air transport<sup>1)</sup> was Afl.161 million. For sea transportation the value of import to the free circulation area of Aruba was Afl.269 million which represent a decrease of 23.7%. The continent of America remains the main import trade partner for transport of goods by air<sup>1)</sup> as well as by sea. (Graph 5)

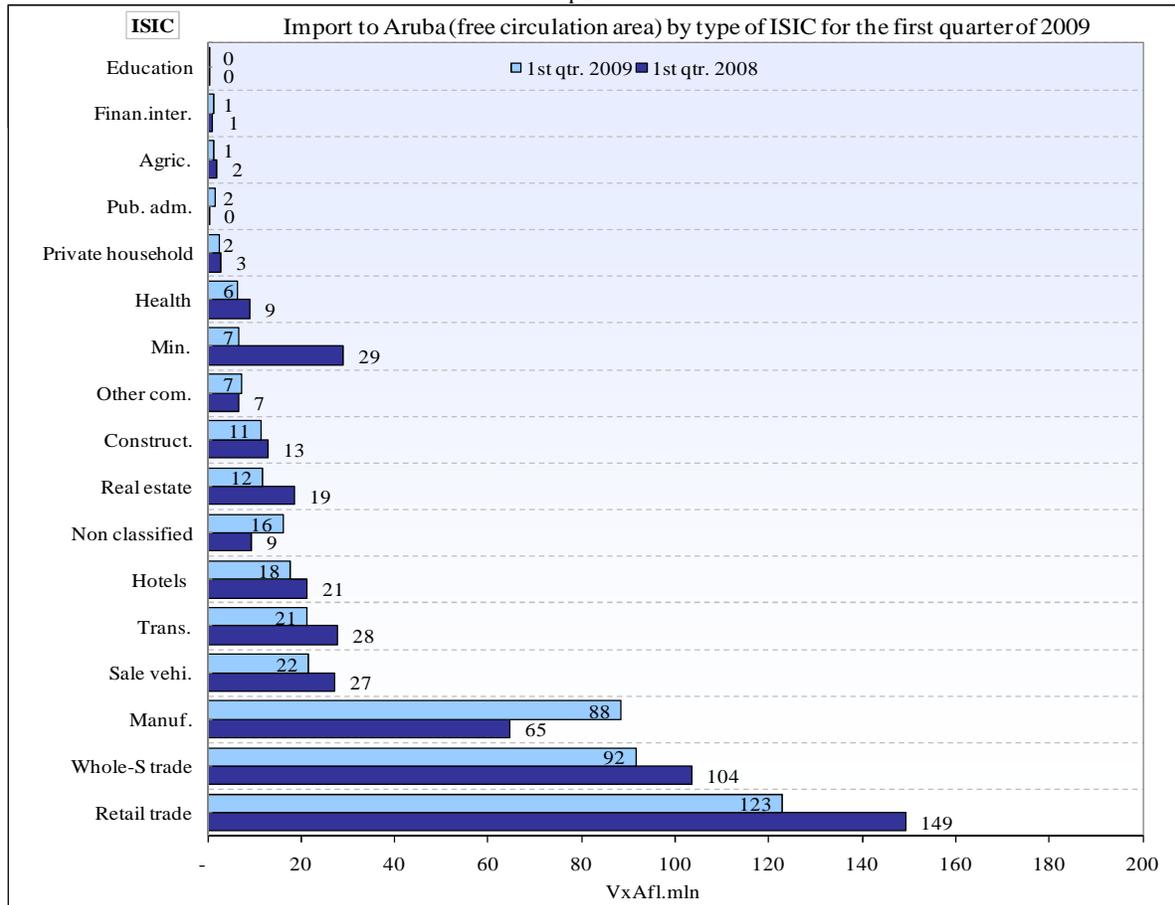
Graph 5



**Import to the free circulation area of Aruba by type of Import according to the International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC)**

Graph 6 represent import to the free circulation area of Aruba by Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC). The industrial branch of which the import decreased the most for the first quarter of 2009 in percentage was "Retail trade and repair of goods" and "Mining, quarrying and electricity, gas and water supply". (Graph 6)

Graph 6





**Import to the free circulation area of Aruba for family automobile and motor vehicle for the transport of goods.**

In the first quarter of 2009 import<sup>3)</sup> of family automobile, four wheeler and motor vehicle for the transport of goods to the free circulation area of Aruba was Afl.19 million. For the same quarter of the previous year import was Afl. 24 million. This represent an decrease of 19.1% compared to the same quarter of the previous year.(Graph 7)

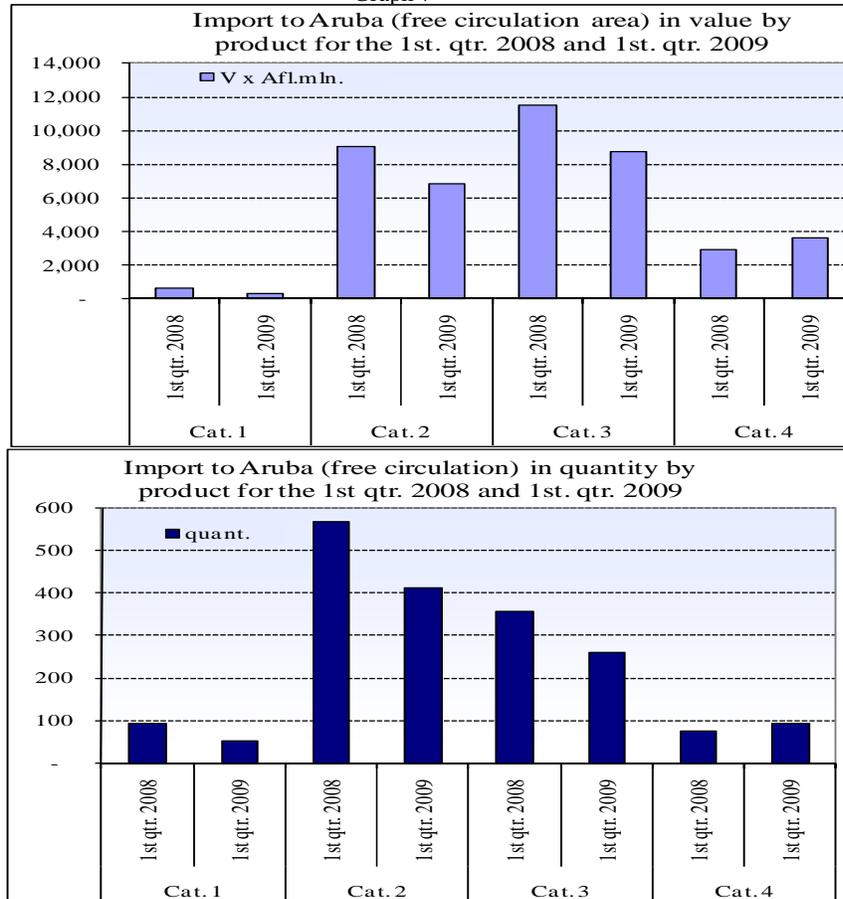
Import in the free circulation area of Aruba for family automobile and motor vehicle for the transport of goods.  
VxAfl.mln (excluding mineral fuels)

	1st qtr. 2008	1st qtr. 2009
Cat.1 Automobile, value less than afl.10.000	1	0
Cat.2 Automobile, between afl.10.001-20.000	9	7
Cat.3 Automobile, higher than afl.20.001	11	9
Cat.4 Motor vehicle for the transport of goods (pick-up)	3	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>19</b>

Quantity (excluding mineral fuels)

	1st qtr. 2008	1st qtr. 2009
Cat.1 Automobile, value less than afl.10.000	93	52
Cat.2 Automobile, between afl.10.001-20.000	568	413
Cat.3 Automobile, higher than afl.20.001	357	261
Cat.4 Motor vehicle for the transport of goods (pick-up)	76	92
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,094</b>	<b>818</b>

Graph 7



Cat.1 Automobile and four wheeler, value less than afl.10.000<sup>\*)</sup>

Cat.2 Automobile and four wheeler, between afl.10.001-20.000<sup>\*)</sup>

Cat.3 Automobile and four wheeler, higher than afl.20.001<sup>\*)</sup>

Cat.4 Motor vehicle for the transport of goods

<sup>\*)</sup>Since 2007 import includes pick-ups not intended for the transport of goods

<sup>1)</sup>All transactions taking place at the custom office at the airport are considered as air-transport.

<sup>2)</sup>Total containers reflect all container sizes including empty containers.

<sup>3)</sup>Includes new, used and wreck vehicles



## Preface

The 2009 First Quarter Foreign Trade Publication of Aruba contains information on Import to Aruba, Import to Free Zone Aruba, Export from Aruba and Export from Free Zone Aruba. It includes comparisons between the years 2004 till 2007 and over the quarters of 2008 and 2009. The figures pertaining to 2007 to 2009 should still be considered as provisional, while the trade statistics series for 2004 till 2006 are final. The CBS developed a system in which it became possible to process the Foreign Trade data according to General Trade System.

The 8th of May 2008, the Customs Department switched from the ASYCUDA- system to the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System – commonly known as the Harmonized System or HS. This is an internationally standardized nomenclature for the description, classification and coding of goods. It is developed and maintained by the World Customs Organization (WCO), formerly known as the Customs Co-operation Council.

Currently over 200 countries and customs or economic unions use the Harmonized System as the basis for customs tariffs and for the compilation of international trade statistics. The Harmonized System comprises of 97 Chapters and is arranged in 21 Sections. The pattern of arrangement of goods in the HS is in the increasing degree of manufacture: raw materials, unworked products, semid-finished products, finished products.

From January 2009, the CBS will process trade data according to the Harmonized System. In order to facilitate comparisons in time, a link was established between the ASYCUDA-classification and the Harmonized System.

A special thanks goes to our data-supplier and supporter, namely the department of Duty and Taxes.

For further inquiry on definitions and methodology we refer to the Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics Procedure and Definitions, which is available upon request at the Central Bureau of Statistics.

The Central Bureau of Statistics hopes that this publication will provide all the users with the necessary information. For comments and further information, feel free to contact us.

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Oranjestad, May 2009



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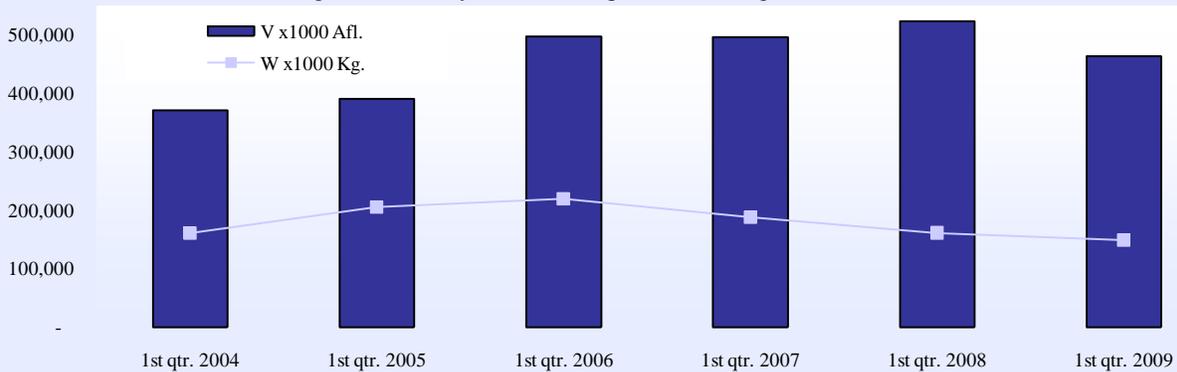


**I.a.1 Total Import and Export of goods to Aruba over the years 2004 till 2007 and over the quarters of 2008 and 2009 (in value and weight)**

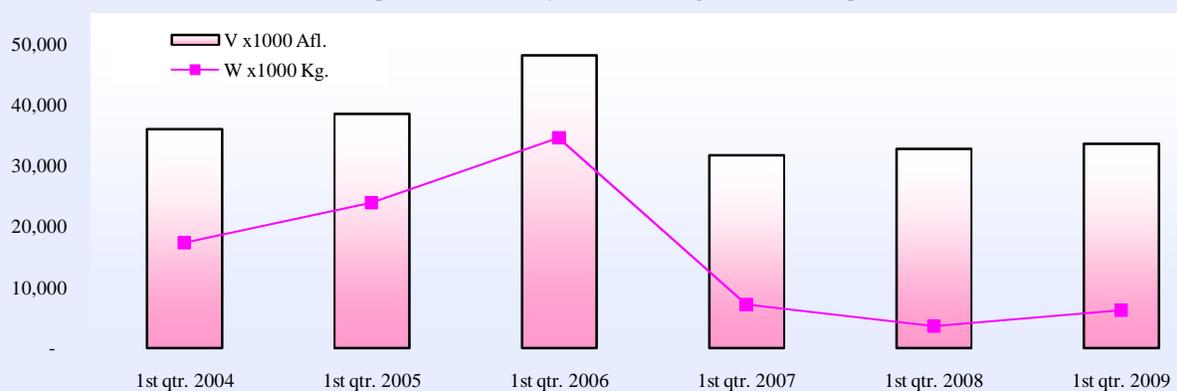
Transactions over the years 2004 till 2007 and over the quarters of 2008 and 2009						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	1,474,406	89,181	1,563,587	641,222	53,257	694,480
Year 2005	1,700,791	140,087	1,840,877	819,171	88,815	907,986
Year 2006	1,736,659	127,329	1,863,988	946,930	64,850	1,011,779
Year 2007	1,874,870	118,970	1,993,840	740,853	14,292	755,146
1st qtr. 2008	484,993	38,009	523,002	158,405	2,878	161,282
2nd qtr. 2008	398,534	32,041	430,575	139,180	3,186	142,366
3rd qtr. 2008	491,200	50,750	541,950	148,014	4,362	152,376
4th qtr. 2008	475,758	17,753	493,511	134,783	2,749	137,532
1st qtr. 2009	429,705	33,739	463,445	144,482	4,288	148,770

Transactions over the years 2004 till 2007 and over the quarters of 2008 and 2009						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	40,248	102,000	142,248	9,894	52,197	62,091
Year 2005	36,062	146,138	182,200	10,160	86,849	97,009
Year 2006	46,373	148,674	195,047	11,336	71,349	82,685
Year 2007	55,670	119,558	175,228	12,625	16,019	28,644
1st qtr. 2008	9,756	23,057	32,814	2,191	1,381	3,573
2nd qtr. 2008	21,311	28,366	49,677	3,902	3,222	7,125
3rd qtr. 2008	16,467	36,075	52,542	4,036	4,399	8,435
4th qtr. 2008	5,843	36,072	41,914	1,473	2,679	4,152
1st qtr. 2009	10,652	22,946	33,597	3,104	3,093	6,197

Total Import to Aruba by value and weight for the first quarter of 2004 till 2009



Total Export from Aruba by value and weight for the first quarter of 2004 till 2009

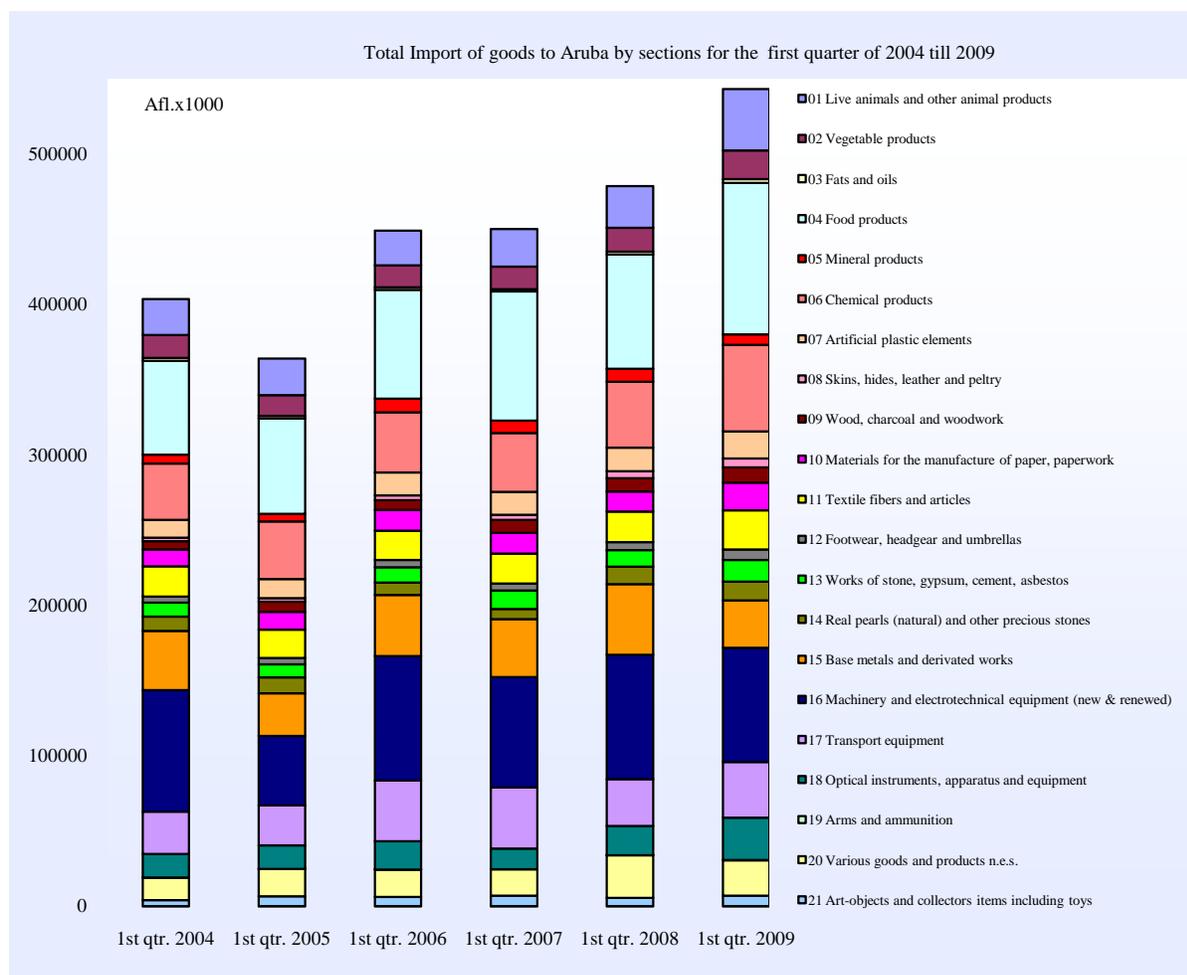




### I.a.2 Import of goods to Aruba by sections over the first quarter of 2008 and 2009 (in value and weight)

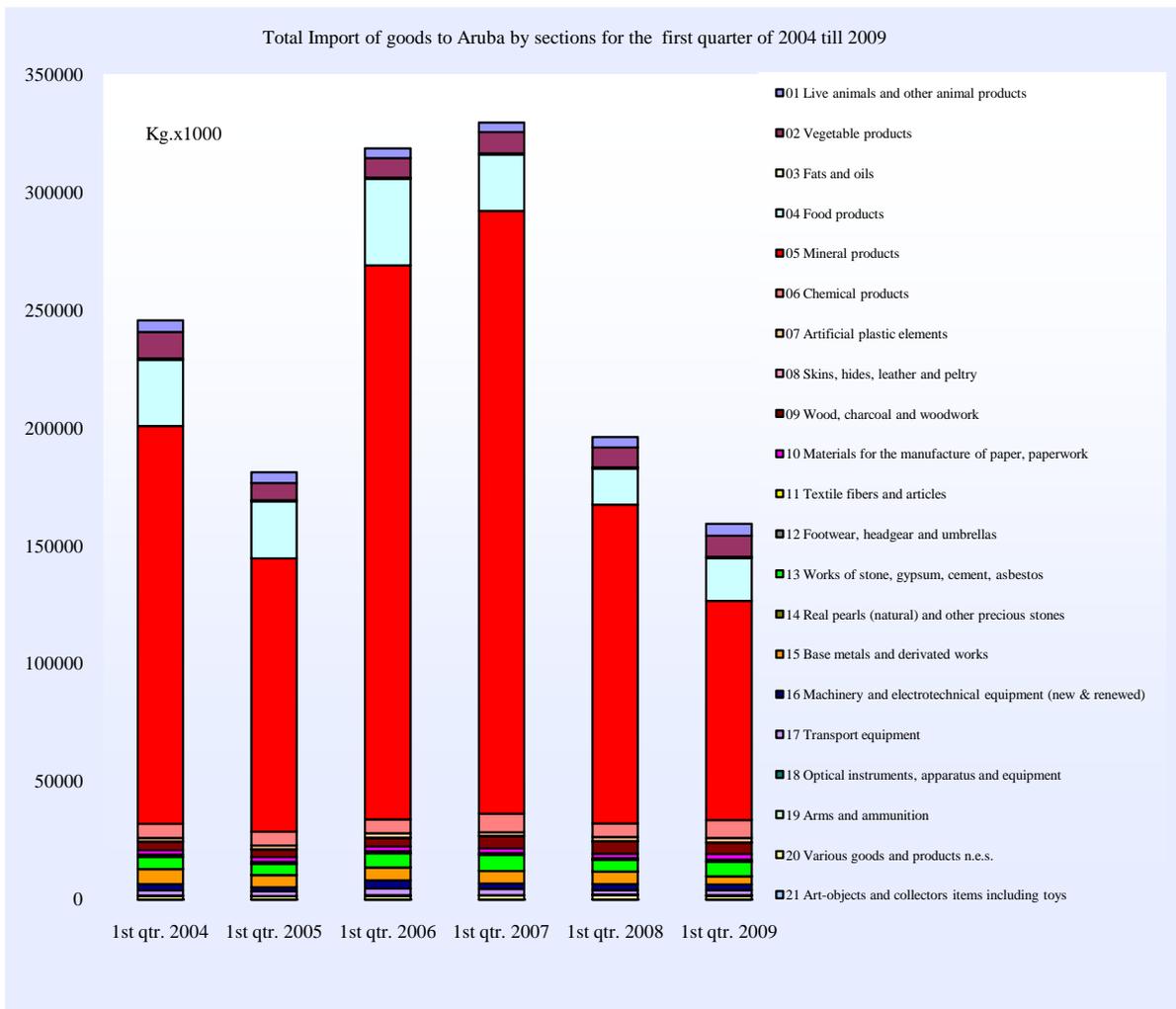
Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2008-2009	V x1000 Afl.					
	1st qtr. 2008			1st qtr. 2009		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
01 Live animals and other animal products	35,332		35,332	27,823		27,823
02 Vegetable products	16,664	568	17,232	12,876	365	13,241
03 Fats and oils	2,280		2,280	1,739		1,739
04 Food products	53,984	37,007	90,991	47,200	30,250	77,450
05 Mineral products	6,961		6,961	6,509		6,509
06 Chemical products	44,279	11	44,290	54,889	0	54,889
07 Artificial plastic elements	14,105	1	14,105	13,749	4	13,753
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	5,775	0	5,775	5,067	7	5,075
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	7,380		7,380	5,017		5,017
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	12,645	33	12,678	11,468	24	11,491
11 Textile fibers and articles	24,869	13	24,882	21,999	81	22,080
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	5,983	224	6,207	5,445	79	5,524
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	10,486		10,486	8,142	451	8,593
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	29,275		29,275	15,237		15,237
15 Base metals and derivated works	40,336	2	40,338	32,454	1,102	33,556
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	93,497	65	93,562	95,385	41	95,427
17 Transport equipment	32,370	67	32,436	28,149	0	28,149
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	29,484		29,484	16,645		16,645
19 Arms and ammunition	2		2	87	1	88
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	12,064		12,064	17,100	1,333	18,433
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys *	7,223	19	7,242	2,724	1	2,725

\*Until december 2008 the toys were classified in Section 20



Section (0..21) by weight for the first quarter of 2008-2009	W x1000 Kg.					
	1st qtr. 2008			1st qtr. 2009		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
01 Live animals and other animal products	4,677		4,677	4,663		4,663
02 Vegetable products	7,347	883	8,231	6,234	886	7,120
03 Fats and oils	537		537	506		506
04 Food products	15,021	1,984	17,004	12,654	3,079	15,732
05 Mineral products	100,476		100,476	94,245		94,245
06 Chemical products	5,898	0	5,898	5,799	0	5,799
07 Artificial plastic elements	1,422	0	1,422	1,806	2	1,808
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	110	0	110	106	0	106
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	4,516		4,516	1,834		1,834
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	2,032	2	2,034	1,810	1	1,810
11 Textile fibers and articles	633	0	634	771	1	772
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	154	4	158	130	1	131
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	4,380		4,380	4,338	58	4,396
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	12		12	14		14
15 Base metals and derivated works	4,694	0	4,694	3,867	66	3,932
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	3,178	2	3,180	2,704	6	2,710
17 Transport equipment	2,110	2	2,111	1,701	0	1,702
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	102		102	70		70
19 Arms and ammunition	0		0	1	0	1
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	864		864	1,095	188	1,284
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*	241	1	242	134	0	134

\*Until december 2008 the toys were classified in Section 20



**I.b.1. Import of goods to Aruba by sections over the years 2004 till 2007 and over the quarters of 2008 and 2009**

Section 01 Live animals and other animal products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	94,721	148	94,869	16,895	52	16,947
Year 2005	98,481		98,481	17,696		17,696
Year 2006	102,383		102,383	18,208		18,208
Year 2007	109,697		109,697	17,302		17,302
1st qtr. 2008	35,332		35,332	4,677		4,677
2nd qtr. 2008	24,469		24,469	3,313		3,313
3rd qtr. 2008	40,836		40,836	5,122		5,122
4th qtr. 2008	24,889		24,889	3,242		3,242
1st qtr. 2009	27,823		27,823	4,663		4,663

Section 02 Vegetable products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	54,879	3,788	58,667	27,549	7,191	34,740
Year 2005	54,707	2,657	57,364	26,831	3,316	30,148
Year 2006	56,817	3,962	60,779	28,484	5,749	34,232
Year 2007	61,474	4,840	66,314	28,926	7,402	36,328
1st qtr. 2008	16,664	568	17,232	7,347	883	8,231
2nd qtr. 2008	14,023	853	14,876	6,252	1,422	7,674
3rd qtr. 2008	18,006	940	18,946	7,173	1,705	8,878
4th qtr. 2008	11,906	813	12,719	5,414	1,756	7,170
1st qtr. 2009	12,876	365	13,241	6,234	886	7,120

Section 03 Fats and oils						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	6,513		6,513	1,930		1,930
Year 2005	7,292		7,292	2,044		2,044
Year 2006	6,423		6,423	2,001		2,001
Year 2007	7,831		7,831	2,297		2,297
1st qtr. 2008	2,280		2,280	537		537
2nd qtr. 2008	2,342		2,342	505		505
3rd qtr. 2008	2,492		2,492	506		506
4th qtr. 2008	2,323		2,323	490		490
1st qtr. 2009	1,739		1,739	506		506

Section 04 Food products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	168,874	82,644	251,518	54,987	45,541	100,527
Year 2005	176,242	134,362	310,603	54,903	85,025	139,927
Year 2006	190,988	121,799	312,787	58,263	58,864	117,127
Year 2007	202,033	112,684	314,717	56,932	6,781	63,713
1st qtr. 2008	53,984	37,007	90,991	15,021	1,984	17,004
2nd qtr. 2008	43,603	30,695	74,298	12,061	1,725	13,785
3rd qtr. 2008	57,596	43,002	100,598	15,693	2,419	18,112
4th qtr. 2008	57,013	15,734	72,746	15,035	926	15,961
1st qtr. 2009	47,200	30,250	77,450	12,654	3,079	15,732

Section 05 Mineral products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	17,375		17,375	425,939		425,939
Year 2005	23,989		23,989	586,990		586,990
Year 2006	26,831		26,831	699,375		699,375
Year 2007	30,059		30,059	504,766		504,766
1st qtr. 2008	6,961		6,961	100,476		100,476
2nd qtr. 2008	8,449		8,449	94,170		94,170
3rd qtr. 2008	6,460		6,460	86,097		86,097
4th qtr. 2008	7,286		7,286	82,310		82,310
1st qtr. 2009	6,509		6,509	94,245		94,245

Section 06 Chemical products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	158,649	823	159,471	22,096	190	22,286
Year 2005	163,121	928	164,048	23,689	277	23,966
Year 2006	177,055	345	177,399	29,407	171	29,578
Year 2007	184,275		184,275	26,136		26,136
1st qtr. 2008	44,279	11	44,290	5,898	0	5,898
2nd qtr. 2008	45,036	9	45,044	5,012	0	5,012
3rd qtr. 2008	57,315	54	57,369	7,576	5	7,581
4th qtr. 2008	45,685	28	45,712	5,079	0	5,079
1st qtr. 2009	54,889	0	54,889	5,799	0	5,799

Section 07 Artificial plastic elements						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	47,673	93	47,767	6,380	15	6,395
Year 2005	53,180	81	53,261	6,522	16	6,538
Year 2006	58,485	43	58,527	6,482	7	6,489
Year 2007	65,662	67	65,730	7,164	20	7,184
1st qtr. 2008	14,105	1	14,105	1,422	0	1,422
2nd qtr. 2008	13,570	7	13,576	1,325	0	1,325
3rd qtr. 2008	17,284	622	17,906	1,741	56	1,796
4th qtr. 2008	15,976	216	16,191	1,799	19	1,818
1st qtr. 2009	13,749	4	13,753	1,806	2	1,808

Section 08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	10,765	28	10,793	424	1	425
Year 2005	12,530	24	12,554	429	1	430
Year 2006	14,692	20	14,711	429	1	430
Year 2007	21,140	4	21,144	460	0	460
1st qtr. 2008	5,775	0	5,775	110	0	110
2nd qtr. 2008	4,727	4	4,732	93	0	93
3rd qtr. 2008	5,939	5	5,944	117	0	117
4th qtr. 2008	6,502	7	6,509	145	0	145
1st qtr. 2009	5,067	7	5,075	106	0	106

Section 09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	24,009	62	24,071	12,833	39	12,872
Year 2005	26,427	3	26,430	14,700	1	14,702
Year 2006	30,431	15	30,446	15,823	7	15,830
Year 2007	29,836		29,836	14,582		14,582
1st qtr. 2008	7,380		7,380	4,516		4,516
2nd qtr. 2008	5,008		5,008	2,275		2,275
3rd qtr. 2008	10,074	8	10,082	4,858	1	4,859
4th qtr. 2008	7,502		7,502	3,006		3,006
1st qtr. 2009	5,017		5,017	1,834		1,834

Section 10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	43,704	166	43,871	7,238	8	7,246
Year 2005	50,005	204	50,209	8,074	25	8,099
Year 2006	49,014	89	49,103	7,888	3	7,891
Year 2007	55,175	65	55,240	8,390	2	8,392
1st qtr. 2008	12,645	33	12,678	2,032	2	2,034
2nd qtr. 2008	10,881	10	10,891	1,668	0	1,669
3rd qtr. 2008	18,316	34	18,349	2,434	1	2,434
4th qtr. 2008	14,136		14,136	2,034		2,034
1st qtr. 2009	11,468	24	11,491	1,810	1	1,810

Section 11 Textile fibers and articles						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	87,070	199	87,269	3,357	102	3,460
Year 2005	86,666	169	86,835	3,278	3	3,281
Year 2006	89,759	132	89,891	3,141	3	3,144
Year 2007	96,090	138	96,228	2,958	3	2,961
1st qtr. 2008	24,869	13	24,882	633	0	634
2nd qtr. 2008	19,495	36	19,530	482	0	482
3rd qtr. 2008	25,774	35	25,809	742	1	743
4th qtr. 2008	31,593	67	31,660	1,280	1	1,281
1st qtr. 2009	21,999	81	22,080	771	1	772

Section 12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	19,286	544	19,830	728	12	739
Year 2005	20,360	479	20,839	703	11	714
Year 2006	19,724	644	20,368	624	19	643
Year 2007	22,750	426	23,175	636	9	646
1st qtr. 2008	5,983	224	6,207	154	4	158
2nd qtr. 2008	5,605	99	5,704	131	2	133
3rd qtr. 2008	6,836	160	6,997	183	3	186
4th qtr. 2008	8,504	223	8,727	315	3	318
1st qtr. 2009	5,445	79	5,524	130	1	131

Section 13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	34,169	104	34,273	17,022	59	17,081
Year 2005	52,229	230	52,459	21,731	81	21,812
Year 2006	48,138	81	48,219	25,118	15	25,133
Year 2007	50,059		50,059	24,456		24,456
1st qtr. 2008	10,486		10,486	4,380		4,380
2nd qtr. 2008	8,938		8,938	3,821		3,821
3rd qtr. 2008	14,191	224	14,415	6,060	21	6,081
4th qtr. 2008	12,622	33	12,655	5,269	2	5,271
1st qtr. 2009	8,142	451	8,593	4,338	58	4,396

Section 14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	80,071		80,071	42		42
Year 2005	73,319		73,319	36		36
Year 2006	70,138		70,138	47		47
Year 2007	129,311		129,311	47		47
1st qtr. 2008	29,275		29,275	12		12
2nd qtr. 2008	15,439		15,439	9		9
3rd qtr. 2008	12,466		12,466	14		14
4th qtr. 2008	31,851		31,851	27		27
1st qtr. 2009	15,237		15,237	14		14

Section 15 Base metals and derivated works						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	104,593	62	104,655	19,394	5	19,399
Year 2005	169,794	97	169,891	22,700	7	22,707
Year 2006	160,827	14	160,841	22,645	2	22,647
Year 2007	156,151	2	156,153	20,860	0	20,860
1st qtr. 2008	40,336	2	40,338	4,694	0	4,694
2nd qtr. 2008	34,746	13	34,759	3,447	5	3,452
3rd qtr. 2008	31,363	257	31,620	3,493	9	3,502
4th qtr. 2008	22,997	423	23,420	2,217	24	2,241
1st qtr. 2009	32,454	1,102	33,556	3,867	66	3,932

Section 16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	232,092	334	232,426	8,441	30	8,471
Year 2005	313,662	368	314,030	11,296	21	11,317
Year 2006	318,869	25	318,894	11,584	1	11,585
Year 2007	320,716	108	320,824	9,950	3	9,953
1st qtr. 2008	93,497	65	93,562	3,178	2	3,180
2nd qtr. 2008	72,310	2	72,312	1,702	0	1,702
3rd qtr. 2008	72,821	3,115	75,936	2,201	88	2,289
4th qtr. 2008	83,172	63	83,235	2,971	8	2,979
1st qtr. 2009	95,385	41	95,427	2,704	6	2,710

Section 17 Transport equipment						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	134,131	106	134,237	9,649	11	9,660
Year 2005	146,133	407	146,541	10,177	29	10,206
Year 2006	150,367	87	150,454	9,867	8	9,875
Year 2007	125,867	471	126,338	7,583	49	7,633
1st qtr. 2008	32,370	67	32,436	2,110	2	2,111
2nd qtr. 2008	28,201	303	28,504	1,757	31	1,788
3rd qtr. 2008	36,384	590	36,975	2,176	42	2,218
4th qtr. 2008	28,980	131	29,111	1,894	8	1,902
1st qtr. 2009	28,149	0	28,149	1,701	0	1,702

Section 18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	72,375	16	72,391	590	0	590
Year 2005	84,479	42	84,521	649	0	649
Year 2006	69,289		69,289	591		591
Year 2007	96,079		96,079	515		515
1st qtr. 2008	29,484		29,484	102		102
2nd qtr. 2008	23,435		23,435	137		137
3rd qtr. 2008	28,110		28,110	259		259
4th qtr. 2008	33,545		33,545	242		242
1st qtr. 2009	16,645		16,645	70		70

Section 19 Arms and ammunition						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	233	10	244	7	0	7
Year 2005	203	4	207	7	0	7
Year 2006	224	32	256	4	1	6
Year 2007	196	18	214	7	0	8
1st qtr. 2008	2		2	0		0
2nd qtr. 2008	3		3	0		0
3rd qtr. 2008	39		39	1		1
4th qtr. 2008	35		35	1		1
1st qtr. 2009	87	1	88	1	0	1

Section 20 Various goods and products n.e.s.						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	40,877	2	40,879	3,951	0	3,951
Year 2005	48,848	5	48,853	4,960	2	4,961
Year 2006	54,937		54,937	5,204		5,204
Year 2007	65,262	0	65,262	5,288	0	5,288
1st qtr. 2008	12,064		12,064	864		864
2nd qtr. 2008	9,207		9,207	752		752
3rd qtr. 2008	14,621	1,679	16,300	1,087	11	1,098
4th qtr. 2008	15,312		15,312	1,421		1,421
1st qtr. 2009	17,100	1,333	18,433	1,095	188	1,284

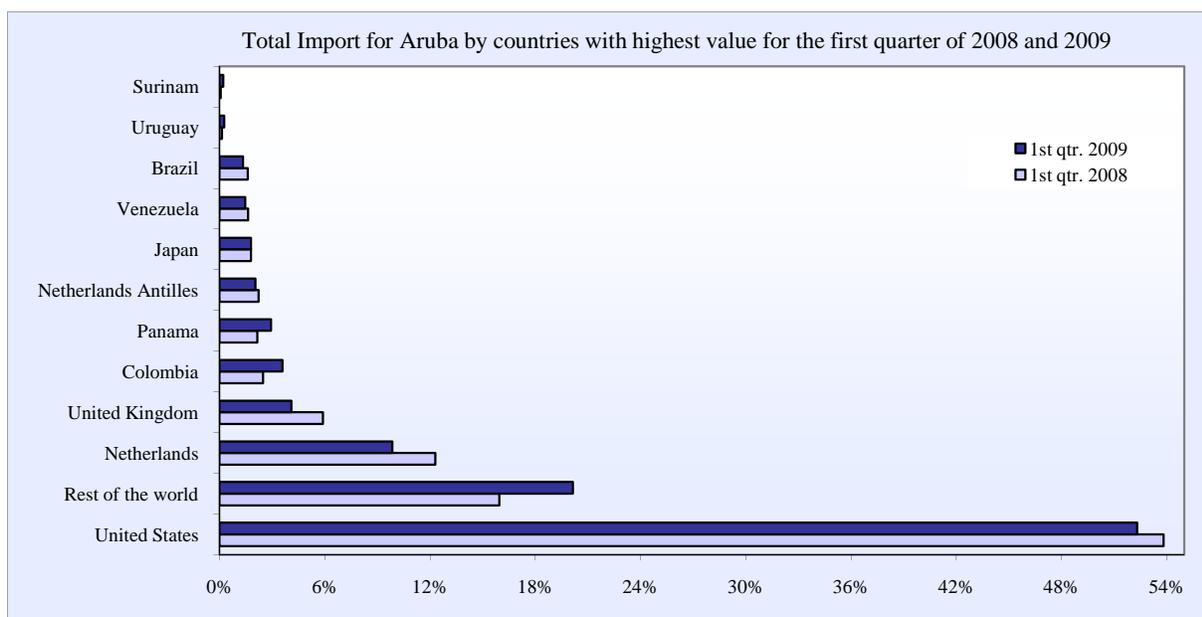
*Section 21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2004	42,349	50	42,399	1,769	2	1,772
Year 2005	39,124	27	39,151	1,756	1	1,757
Year 2006	41,269	42	41,311	1,744	1	1,745
Year 2007	45,205	147	45,352	1,598	22	1,620
1st qtr. 2008	7,223	19	7,242	241	1	242
2nd qtr. 2008	9,049	10	9,059	270	0	270
3rd qtr. 2008	14,278	24	14,302	484	0	484
4th qtr. 2008	13,929	17	13,946	593	1	593
1st qtr. 2009	2,724	1	2,725	134	0	134

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**I.b.2 Import of goods by the 11 most important countries over the first quarter of 2008 and 2009 (in value and weight)**

Import by country in value	V x1000 Afl.					
	1st qtr. 2008			1st qtr. 2009		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
United States	281,384	50	281,433	239,607	2,779	242,386
Netherlands	64,362	2	64,364	44,395	1,209	45,604
United Kingdom	1,560	29,222	30,782	1,128	17,864	18,993
Surinam	258	41	298	580	365	945
Netherlands Antilles	11,591	11	11,602	9,452	0	9,452
Panama	11,003	256	11,260	13,255	341	13,596
Japan	9,376		9,376	8,305		8,305
Venezuela	8,417	70	8,487	6,769		6,769
Brazil	8,329	74	8,403	5,991	206	6,197
Colombia	7,333	5,584	12,916	7,217	9,376	16,593
Uruguay	9	693	702		1,247	1,247
Rest of the world	81,372	2,007	83,379	93,006	352	93,357
<b>Total</b>	<b>484,993</b>	<b>38,009</b>	<b>523,002</b>	<b>429,705</b>	<b>33,739</b>	<b>463,445</b>

Import by country in weight	W x1000 Kg.					
	1st qtr. 2008			1st qtr. 2009		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
United States	31,743	18	31,761	25,035	281	25,315
Netherlands	8,112	0	8,112	6,712	1,453	8,164
United Kingdom	306	1,403	1,710	262	916	1,178
Surinam	59	50	109	113	886	999
Netherlands Antilles	1,400	0	1,400	1,202	1	1,203
Panama	371	5	376	616	13	629
Japan	570		570	437		437
Venezuela	4,496	2	4,498	3,633		3,633
Brazil	2,840	10	2,850	2,304	53	2,357
Colombia	15,634	358	15,992	16,716	540	17,256
Uruguay	0	51	51		90	90
Rest of the world	92,873	981	93,854	87,452	55	87,507
<b>Total</b>	<b>158,405</b>	<b>2,878</b>	<b>161,282</b>	<b>144,482</b>	<b>4,288</b>	<b>148,770</b>



**I.b.3. Import of goods to Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2009 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2009	V x1000 Afl.										
	Import to Aruba										
	United States	Netherlands	Italy	Netherlands Antilles	Panama	Japan	Venezuela	Brazil	Colombia	Korea Republic (South)	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	13,665	6,930		108	337		796	3,224	250		2,513
02 Vegetable products	7,968	1,031		29	14		1,432	34	847		1,521
03 Fats and oils	1,374	66		10	0		3				287
04 Food products	28,804	7,658	197	1,486	1,126		1,356	349	922	75	5,227
05 Mineral products	208	47		108	0			30	2,630		3,487
06 Chemical products	34,861	5,366	5	2,453	5,092	11	498		284	9	6,309
07 Artificial plastic elements	7,830	1,818	23	399	214	368	439	82	375	85	2,116
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	2,505	353	128	204	231	5	2	19	65		1,555
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	1,213	213	1	29	24		83	749	253		2,453
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	7,873	1,325	8	281	50	0	101	322	524	1	982
11 Textile fibers and articles	11,008	1,736	368	1,543	3,376	0	184	134	290		3,360
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	2,946	318	165	251	1,083	0	33	103	50		496
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	3,125	1,306	594	54	151	6	275	495	219	1	1,916
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	12,628	94	262	227	3	26	3		2		1,992
15 Base metals and derived works	18,582	3,409	7,269	149	152	23	1,031	50	115	0	1,674
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	51,573	5,782	27,361	842	564	679	250	118	134	232	7,849
17 Transport equipment	10,618	1,038	1	238	34	7,160	206	266	44	5,169	3,373
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	11,116	2,268	290	650	91	24	19	4	10	4	2,170
19 Arms and ammunition	74	3	8	2							
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	11,084	2,170	317	200	710	1	56	14	196		2,352
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*	551	1,466		191	3				6		507
<b>Total</b>	<b>239,607</b>	<b>44,395</b>	<b>36,999</b>	<b>9,452</b>	<b>13,255</b>	<b>8,305</b>	<b>6,769</b>	<b>5,991</b>	<b>7,217</b>	<b>5,577</b>	<b>52,138</b>

\*Until december 2008 the toys were classified in Section 20

Section (0..21) by weight for the first quarter of 2009	W x1000 Kg.										
	Import to Aruba										
	United States	Netherlands	Italy	Netherlands Antilles	Panama	Japan	Venezuela	Brazil	Colombia	Korea Republic (South)	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	1,885	1,099		25	55		61	984	59		495
02 Vegetable products	3,253	659		9	3		1,132	41	267		869
03 Fats and oils	421	11		3	0		1				71
04 Food products	6,718	2,263	87	216	228		892	177	307	32	1,736
05 Mineral products	216	28		245	0			40	15,480		78,236
06 Chemical products	3,760	392	0	264	15	1	864		104	0	399
07 Artificial plastic elements	871	261	2	43	22	36	63	15	66	9	419
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	49	4	0	9	5	0	0	0	1		38
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	529	32	0	27	1		30	400	112		704
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	1,251	109	1	50	3	0	12	117	61	0	207
11 Textile fibers and articles	312	38	3	184	77	0	6	1	4		146
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	62	5	1	6	31	0	2	1	1		22
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	1,154	244	284	12	64	0	271	508	176	0	1,625
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	11	0	0	0	0	0	0		0		2
15 Base metals and derived works	1,689	887	662	15	7	1	266	6	31	0	303
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	1,710	224	336	43	36	40	14	2	10	18	270
17 Transport equipment	538	235	0	20	2	359	16	13	2	334	183
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	53	8	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
19 Arms and ammunition	1	0	0	0							
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	521	141	7	15	66	0	5	0	35		306
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*	33	70		13	0				0		17
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,035</b>	<b>6,712</b>	<b>1,384</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>3,633</b>	<b>2,304</b>	<b>16,716</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>86,051</b>

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### I.b.4. Import of goods to Free Zone Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2009 (in value and weight)

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2009	V x1000 Afl.							
	Import to Free Zone Aruba							
	United Kingdom	Colombia	Uruguay	United States	Netherlands	Brazil	Panama	Rest of the world
02 Vegetable products								365
04 Food products	17,864	9,372	1,247	121	1,174	206	160	105
06 Chemical products								0
07 Artificial plastic elements		3					0	0
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry							7	
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	0							24
11 Textile fibers and articles							81	
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas							79	
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos				201	27		1	222
15 Base metals and derivated works				1,102				
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)				34	8			0
17 Transport equipment								0
19 Arms and ammunition				1				
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.				1,320			12	
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*								1
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,864</b>	<b>9,376</b>	<b>1,247</b>	<b>2,779</b>	<b>1,209</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>717</b>

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Section (0..21) by weight for the first quarter of 2009	W x1000 Kg.							
	Import to Free Zone Aruba							
	United Kingdom	Colombia	Uruguay	United States	Netherlands	Brazil	Panama	Rest of the world
02 Vegetable products								886
04 Food products	916	538	90	16	1,440	53	10	14
06 Chemical products								0
07 Artificial plastic elements		2					0	0
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry							0	
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	0							1
11 Textile fibers and articles							1	
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas							1	
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos				8	9		0	40
15 Base metals and derivated works				66				
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)				2	4			0
17 Transport equipment								0
19 Arms and ammunition				0				
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.				188			0	
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*								0
<b>Total</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>1,453</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>942</b>

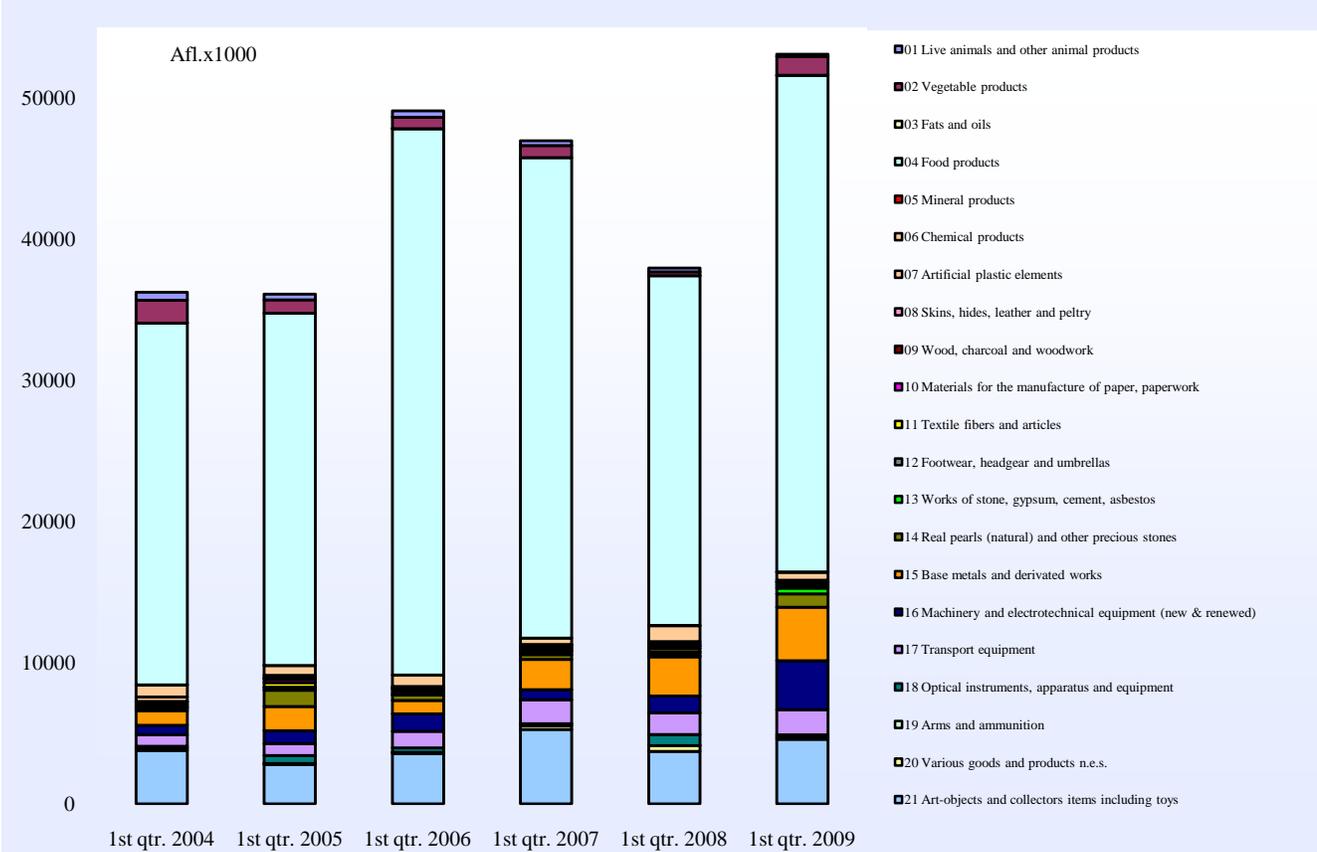
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**I.c.1 Export of goods from Aruba by sections over the first quarter of 2008 and 2009 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2008-2009	V x1000 Afl.					
	1st qtr. 2008			1st qtr. 2009		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
01 Live animals and other animal products	52		52	336		336
02 Vegetable products	33	54	88	57	589	646
03 Fats and oils	1		1			
04 Food products	473	22,428	22,901	509	21,979	22,488
05 Mineral products	4		4	31		31
06 Chemical products	886	11	897	733	13	746
07 Artificial plastic elements	52	11	63	93	158	251
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	15	1	16	34	0	35
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	72		72	8		8
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	199	7	206	196	23	219
11 Textile fibers and articles	98	17	115	91	5	96
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	0	94	95	1	64	65
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	36		36	29	112	141
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	319		319	500		500
15 Base metals and derivated works	2,362		2,362	2,127	0	2,127
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	1,770	155	1,926	2,235		2,235
17 Transport equipment	1,699	269	1,968	2,381		2,381
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	45		45	365		365
19 Arms and ammunition	6		6	3		3
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	86		86	269	2	271
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*	1,549	11	1,560	654		654

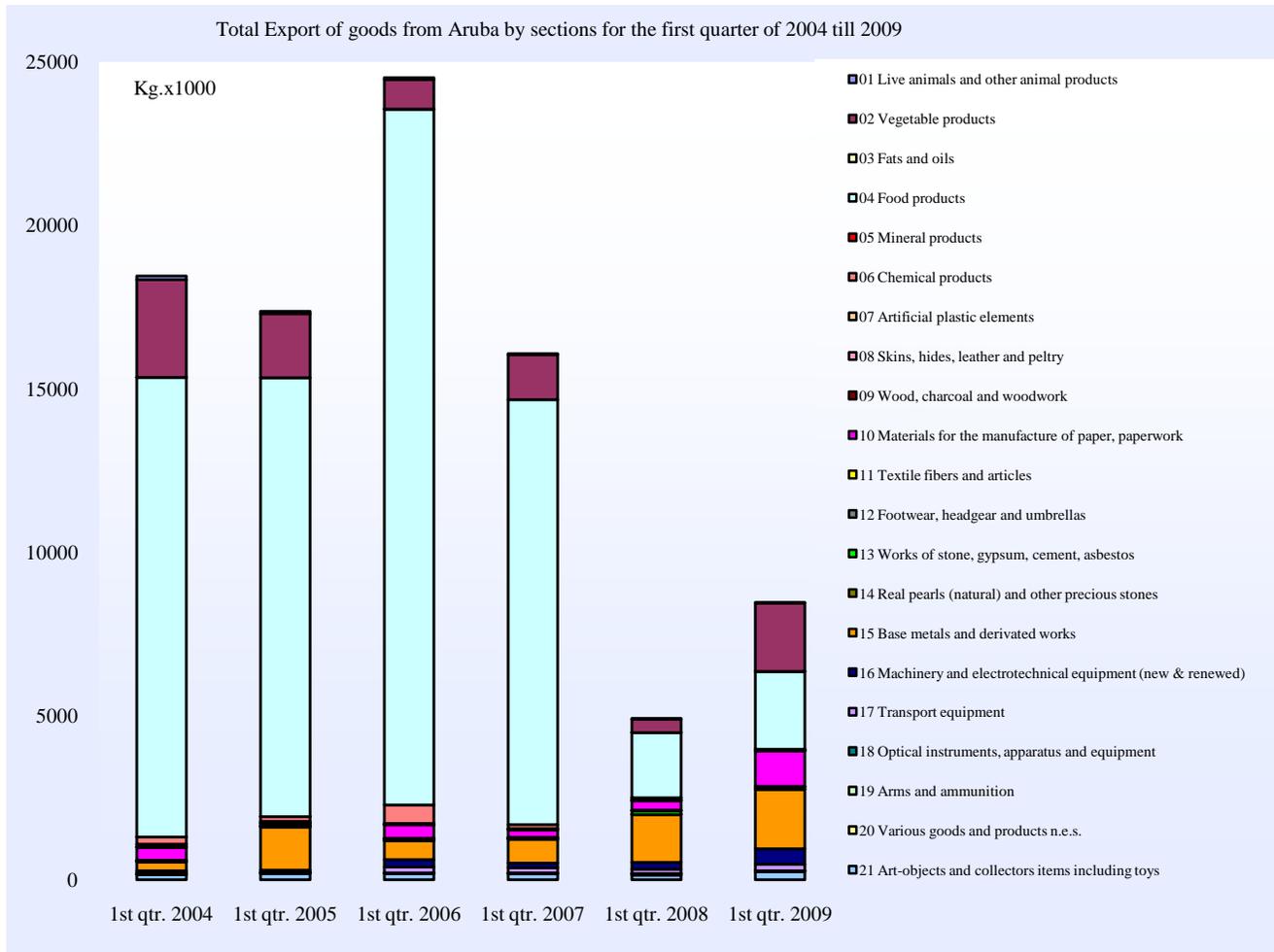
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Total Export of goods from Aruba by sections for the first quarter of 2004 till 2009



Section (0..21) by weight for the first quarter of 2008-2009	W x1000 Kg.					
	1st qtr. 2008			1st qtr. 2009		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
01 Live animals and other animal products	5		5	51		51
02 Vegetable products	7	74	81	41	1,309	1,350
03 Fats and oils	0		0			
04 Food products	322	1,266	1,589	259	1,744	2,003
05 Mineral products	0		0	803		803
06 Chemical products	103	0	103	30	0	31
07 Artificial plastic elements	4	1	6	5	19	24
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	0	0	0	1	0	1
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	18		18	91		91
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	571	0	571	634	1	634
11 Textile fibers and articles	12	0	12	9	0	10
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	0	2	2	0	1	1
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	2		2	1	19	20
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	0		0	0		0
15 Base metals and derivated works	737		737	953	0	953
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	155	11	166	117		117
17 Transport equipment	167	26	193	50		50
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	1		1	1		1
19 Arms and ammunition	0		0	0		0
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	12		12	9	0	9
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*	73	0	74	47		47

\*Until december 2008 the toys were classified in Section 20



**I.c.2. Export of goods from Aruba by sections for the years 2004 till 2007 and over the quarters of 2008 and 2009**

Section 01 Live animals and other animal products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	2,596	148	2,744	288	52	340
Year 2005	1,596		1,596	234		234
Year 2006	1,227		1,227	153		153
Year 2007	1,104		1,104	133		133
1st qtr. 2008	52		52	5		5
2nd qtr. 2008	55		55	4		4
3rd qtr. 2008	144		144	16		16
4th qtr. 2008	343		343	45		45
1st qtr. 2009	336		336	51		51

Section 02 Vegetable products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	163	4,309	4,472	59	8,506	8,564
Year 2005	117	2,720	2,837	136	3,819	3,955
Year 2006	46	3,190	3,236	28	4,082	4,110
Year 2007	281	4,394	4,675	51	8,906	8,957
1st qtr. 2008	33	54	88	7	74	81
2nd qtr. 2008	31	835	866	7	1,346	1,353
3rd qtr. 2008	13	1,313	1,326	2	2,085	2,086
4th qtr. 2008	74	430	504	39	682	721
1st qtr. 2009	57	589	646	41	1,309	1,350

Section 03 Fats and oils						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	1		1	0		0
Year 2005	1		1	0		0
Year 2006	0		0	0		0
Year 2007	5		5	1		1
1st qtr. 2008	1		1	0		0
2nd qtr. 2008	19		19	1		1
3rd qtr. 2008	19		19	2		2
4th qtr. 2008	1		1	0		0

Section 04 Food products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	2,612	96,619	99,231	1,525	43,550	45,075
Year 2005	2,955	142,517	145,473	1,847	82,945	84,793
Year 2006	2,781	144,880	147,661	2,097	67,210	69,307
Year 2007	2,482	114,208	116,691	1,612	7,028	8,640
1st qtr. 2008	473	22,428	22,901	322	1,266	1,589
2nd qtr. 2008	998	27,216	28,213	432	1,858	2,289
3rd qtr. 2008	597	34,035	34,632	182	2,186	2,368
4th qtr. 2008	432	35,126	35,558	176	1,951	2,126
1st qtr. 2009	509	21,979	22,488	259	1,744	2,003

Section 05 Mineral products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	33		33	19		19
Year 2005	0		0	0		0
Year 2006	0		0	0		0
Year 2007	6		6	7		7
1st qtr. 2008	4		4	0		0
2nd qtr. 2008	146		146	3		3
3rd qtr. 2008	3		3	1		1
1st qtr. 2009	31		31	803		803

Section 06 Chemical products						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	2,475	266	2,741	712	67	779
Year 2005	2,367	231	2,598	1,225	39	1,265
Year 2006	2,460	43	2,503	666	18	683
Year 2007	8,252	3	8,254	2,438	1	2,439
1st qtr. 2008	886	11	897	103	0	103
2nd qtr. 2008	976		976	118		118
3rd qtr. 2008	570		570	16		16
4th qtr. 2008	767	8	775	250	0	251
1st qtr. 2009	733	13	746	30	0	31

Section 07 Artificial plastic elements						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	946	9	955	246	2	248
Year 2005	1,071	62	1,133	191	14	205
Year 2006	453	0	453	133	0	133
Year 2007	567	12	580	60	1	61
1st qtr. 2008	52	11	63	4	1	6
2nd qtr. 2008	197	107	305	76	2	78
3rd qtr. 2008	116	5	121	30	1	30
4th qtr. 2008	57	0	58	11	0	11
1st qtr. 2009	93	158	251	5	19	24

Section 08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	108	27	134	2	1	3
Year 2005	207	18	225	4	1	5
Year 2006	136	9	146	4	0	4
Year 2007	349	1	350	7	0	7
1st qtr. 2008	15	1	16	0	0	0
2nd qtr. 2008	16	0	16	1	0	1
3rd qtr. 2008	43	5	48	1	0	1
4th qtr. 2008	41	3	45	1	0	1
1st qtr. 2009	34	0	35	1	0	1

Section 09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	251		251	55		55
Year 2005	163		163	19		19
Year 2006	291		291	41		41
Year 2007	585		585	151		151
1st qtr. 2008	72		72	18		18
2nd qtr. 2008	37		37	10		10
3rd qtr. 2008	11	0	12	4	0	4
4th qtr. 2008	12		12	1		1
1st qtr. 2009	8		8	91		91

Section 10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	879	94	972	905	3	908
Year 2005	554	111	666	2,040	4	2,044
Year 2006	527	87	614	1,779	4	1,783
Year 2007	694	59	754	1,283	1	1,284
1st qtr. 2008	199	7	206	571	0	571
2nd qtr. 2008	87	30	116	579	1	579
3rd qtr. 2008	149	12	161	1,080	1	1,080
4th qtr. 2008	62	24	86	333	0	333
1st qtr. 2009	196	23	219	634	1	634

Section 11 Textile fibers and articles						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	915	64	980	75	1	76
Year 2005	814	75	888	72	1	73
Year 2006	703	65	768	85	1	87
Year 2007	791	16	807	93	0	93
1st qtr. 2008	98	17	115	12	0	12
2nd qtr. 2008	166	7	173	19	0	19
3rd qtr. 2008	129	14	143	12	0	12
4th qtr. 2008	92	16	108	13	0	13
1st qtr. 2009	91	5	96	9	0	10

Section 12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	30	369	399	1	9	10
Year 2005	86	292	378	2	7	9
Year 2006	58	227	285	1	5	6
Year 2007	47	303	350	1	6	7
1st qtr. 2008	0	94	95	0	2	2
2nd qtr. 2008	20	99	119	1	2	2
3rd qtr. 2008	6	76	82	0	1	1
4th qtr. 2008	6	108	114	0	2	2
1st qtr. 2009	1	64	65	0	1	1

Section 13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	798	0	798	86	0	86
Year 2005	403		403	110		110
Year 2006	373	102	476	58	26	84
Year 2007	355	48	403	345	3	348
1st qtr. 2008	36		36	2		2
2nd qtr. 2008	380		380	724		724
3rd qtr. 2008	14	389	403	4	71	75
4th qtr. 2008	79	20	99	23	2	25
1st qtr. 2009	29	112	141	1	19	20

Section 14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	3,049		3,049	2		2
Year 2005	3,104		3,104	1		1
Year 2006	1,781		1,781	1		1
Year 2007	2,362		2,362	3		3
1st qtr. 2008	319		319	0		0
2nd qtr. 2008	3,220		3,220	0		0
3rd qtr. 2008	957		957	0		0
4th qtr. 2008	433		433	0		0
1st qtr. 2009	500		500	0		0

Section 15 Base metals and derivated works						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	6,189	0	6,189	4,742	0	4,742
Year 2005	4,499		4,499	2,664		2,664
Year 2006	7,051	41	7,092	4,700	1	4,701
Year 2007	11,627		11,627	4,769		4,769
1st qtr. 2008	2,362		2,362	737		737
2nd qtr. 2008	3,887		3,887	1,482		1,482
3rd qtr. 2008	3,783	7	3,790	1,816	1	1,817
4th qtr. 2008	539	3	542	302	0	302
1st qtr. 2009	2,127	0	2,127	953	0	953

Section 16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	5,399	8	5,407	409	1	410
Year 2005	4,786	2	4,788	613	0	613
Year 2006	11,076	0	11,077	663	0	663
Year 2007	7,924	29	7,953	758	20	778
1st qtr. 2008	1,770	155	1,926	155	11	166
2nd qtr. 2008	5,583		5,583	199		199
3rd qtr. 2008	3,453	4	3,457	457	0	457
4th qtr. 2008	491	134	625	73	30	103
1st qtr. 2009	2,235		2,235	117		117

Section 17 Transport equipment						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	3,522	25	3,547	240	1	242
Year 2005	3,169	81	3,250	402	17	419
Year 2006	4,466		4,466	391		391
Year 2007	5,149	401	5,550	367	39	406
1st qtr. 2008	1,699	269	1,968	167	26	193
2nd qtr. 2008	1,147	67	1,214	81	14	95
3rd qtr. 2008	1,588	205	1,793	139	51	190
4th qtr. 2008	795	187	983	73	11	83
1st qtr. 2009	2,381		2,381	50		50

Section 18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	2,387	28	2,415	9	0	9
Year 2005	1,645		1,645	13		13
Year 2006	1,559		1,559	19		19
Year 2007	2,939		2,939	17		17
1st qtr. 2008	45		45	1		1
2nd qtr. 2008	292		292	5		5
3rd qtr. 2008	156		156	3		3
4th qtr. 2008	316		316	5		5
1st qtr. 2009	365		365	1		1

Section 19 Arms and ammunition						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004		0	0		0	0
Year 2005	4	4	8	0	0	0
Year 2006		5	5		1	1
Year 2007	3	2	6	0	0	0
1st qtr. 2008	6		6	0		0
2nd qtr. 2008	3		3	0		0
4th qtr. 2008	3		3	0		0
1st qtr. 2009	3		3	0		0

Section 20 Various goods and products n.e.s.						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2004	156	0	156	32	0	32
Year 2005	448		448	87		87
Year 2006	208		208	39		39
Year 2007	345	0	345	62	0	62
1st qtr. 2008	86		86	12		12
2nd qtr. 2008	406		406	50		50
3rd qtr. 2008	73	1	74	17	0	17
4th qtr. 2008	276	0	277	12	0	12
1st qtr. 2009	269	2	271	9	0	9

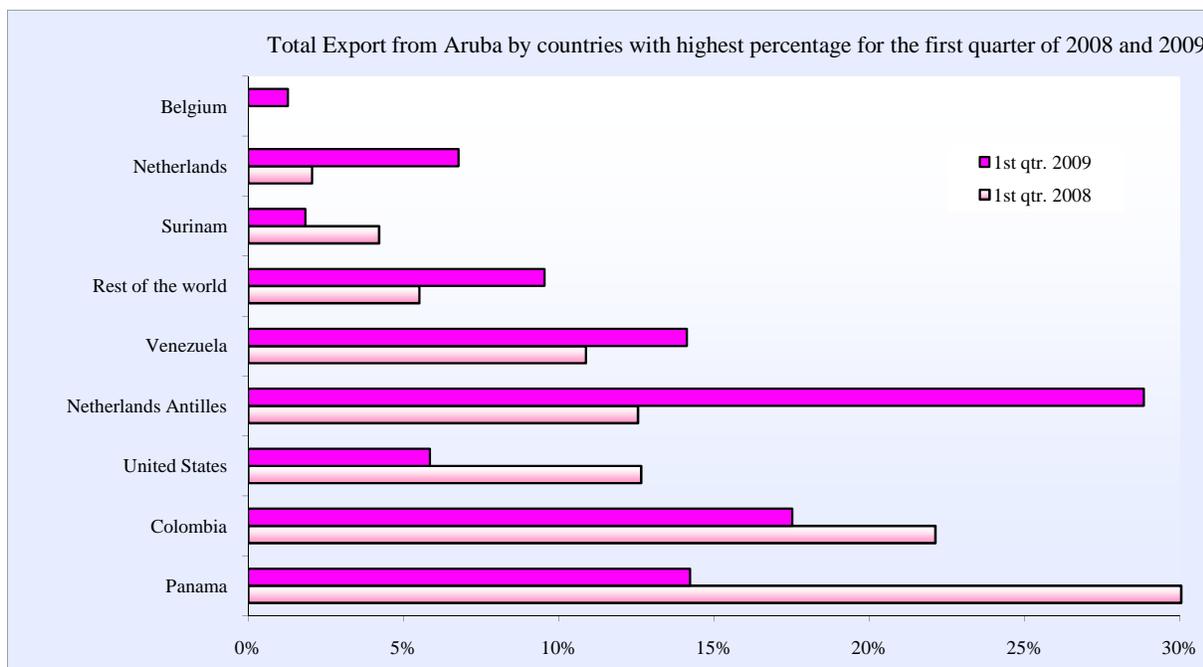
<b>*Section 21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys</b>						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	<b>Total Export</b>	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	<b>Total Export</b>
Year 2004	7,740	33	7,773	488	3	492
Year 2005	8,071	26	8,097	499	1	500
Year 2006	11,177	23	11,200	479	1	480
Year 2007	9,802	81	9,883	466	14	481
1st qtr. 2008	1,549	11	1,560	73	0	74
2nd qtr. 2008	3,645	5	3,650	109	0	109
3rd qtr. 2008	4,643	8	4,651	255	0	255
4th qtr. 2008	1,024	11	1,036	115	0	116
1st qtr. 2009	654		654	47		47

\*Until december 2008 the toys were classified in Section 20

**I.c.3 Export of goods by the 8 most important countries over the first quarter of 2008 and 2009 (in value and weight)**

Export by country in value	V x1000 Afl.					
	1st qtr. 2008			1st qtr. 2009		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Panama	110	9,746	9,856	11	4,770	4,781
Colombia	75	7,184	7,259	211	5,674	5,885
United States	4,150		4,150	1,848	119	1,966
Venezuela	372	3,195	3,567	911	3,836	4,747
Netherlands Antilles	2,742	1,375	4,117	2,796	6,892	9,688
Surinam	21	1,361	1,382	31	587	618
Netherlands	654	19	674	1,730	545	2,275
Belgium					431	431
Rest of the world	1,632	176	1,808	3,114	92	3,206
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,756</b>	<b>23,057</b>	<b>32,814</b>	<b>10,652</b>	<b>22,946</b>	<b>33,597</b>

Export by country in weight	W x1000 Kg.					
	1st qtr. 2008			1st qtr. 2009		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Panama	55	418	473	0	210	211
Colombia	22	522	544	157	401	558
United States	418		418	172	16	188
Venezuela	104	199	303	77	227	304
Netherlands Antilles	350	53	403	353	280	633
Surinam	2	106	108	2	35	37
Netherlands	112	24	136	57	956	1,013
Belgium					959	959
Rest of the world	1,129	59	1,187	2,285	9	2,294
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,191</b>	<b>1,381</b>	<b>3,573</b>	<b>3,104</b>	<b>3,093</b>	<b>6,197</b>



### I.c.4. Export of goods from Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2009 (in value and weight)

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2009	V x1000 Afl.							
	Export from Aruba							
	Colombia	United States	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Taiwan	Netherlands	Dominican Republic	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	47		59	205		25		
02 Vegetable products			28	10		19		
04 Food products	13	7	18	367		98		7
05 Mineral products				3			28	
06 Chemical products		45	13	482		172		21
07 Artificial plastic elements		34	14	39				6
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry		4	5	23				2
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork			0					8
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	2	11	2	134				48
11 Textile fibers and articles	8	7	28	31		5		11
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas		1	0	1				
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos		1	5	23				
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones		345		155				
15 Base metals and derived works	24	62	57	112	780	93		999
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	61	516	188	543		62		866
17 Transport equipment	50	485	129	460		1,172		84
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	1	25	333	4				2
19 Arms and ammunition		3						
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	1	21	12	54			28	153
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*	4	281	20	151		83	5	109
Total	211	1,848	911	2,796	780	1,730	62	2,315

\*Until december 2008 the toys were classified in Section 20

Section (0..21) by weight for the first quarter of 2009	W x1000 Kg.							
	Export from Aruba							
	Colombia	United States	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Taiwan	Netherlands	Dominican Republic	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	6		7	35		4		
02 Vegetable products			37	0		4		
04 Food products	1	3	2	212		41		1
05 Mineral products				0			803	
06 Chemical products		1	0	26		4		0
07 Artificial plastic elements		2	1	2				0
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry		0	0	1				0
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork			0					91
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	30	120	0	3				480
11 Textile fibers and articles	6	0	2	1		0		1
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas		0	0	0				
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos		0	0	1				
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones		0		0				
15 Base metals and derived works	44	25	2	6	780	0		96
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	57	4	11	36		1		7
17 Transport equipment	12	4	6	20		2		6
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	0	0	0	0				0
19 Arms and ammunition		0						
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	1	3	1	2			0	2
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys*	0	9	7	7		3	0	22
Total	157	172	77	353	780	57	804	705

\*Until december 2008 the toys were classified in Section 20

**I.c.5. Export of goods from Free Zone Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2009 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2009	V x1000 Afl.						
	Export from Free Zone Aruba						
	Panama	Colombia	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Netherlands	Belgium	Rest of the world
02 Vegetable products						431	158
04 Food products	4,770	5,651	3,639	6,825	587		509
06 Chemical products	0		0			0	13
07 Artificial plastic elements			88				71
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry				0			
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork		23					
11 Textile fibers and articles				5			0
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas				59			5
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos			110	2			
15 Base metals and derivated works							0
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.				1			0
Total	4,770	5,674	3,836	6,892	587	431	756

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2009	W x1000 Kg.						
	Export from Free Zone Aruba						
	Panama	Colombia	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Netherlands	Belgium	Rest of the world
02 Vegetable products						959	350
04 Food products	210	400	197	279	35		623
06 Chemical products	0		0			0	0
07 Artificial plastic elements			11				8
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry				0			
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork		1					
11 Textile fibers and articles				0			0
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas				1			0
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos			19	0			
15 Base metals and derivated works							0
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.				0			0
Total	210	401	227	280	35	959	981

# Import to Aruba, Free Zone Aruba

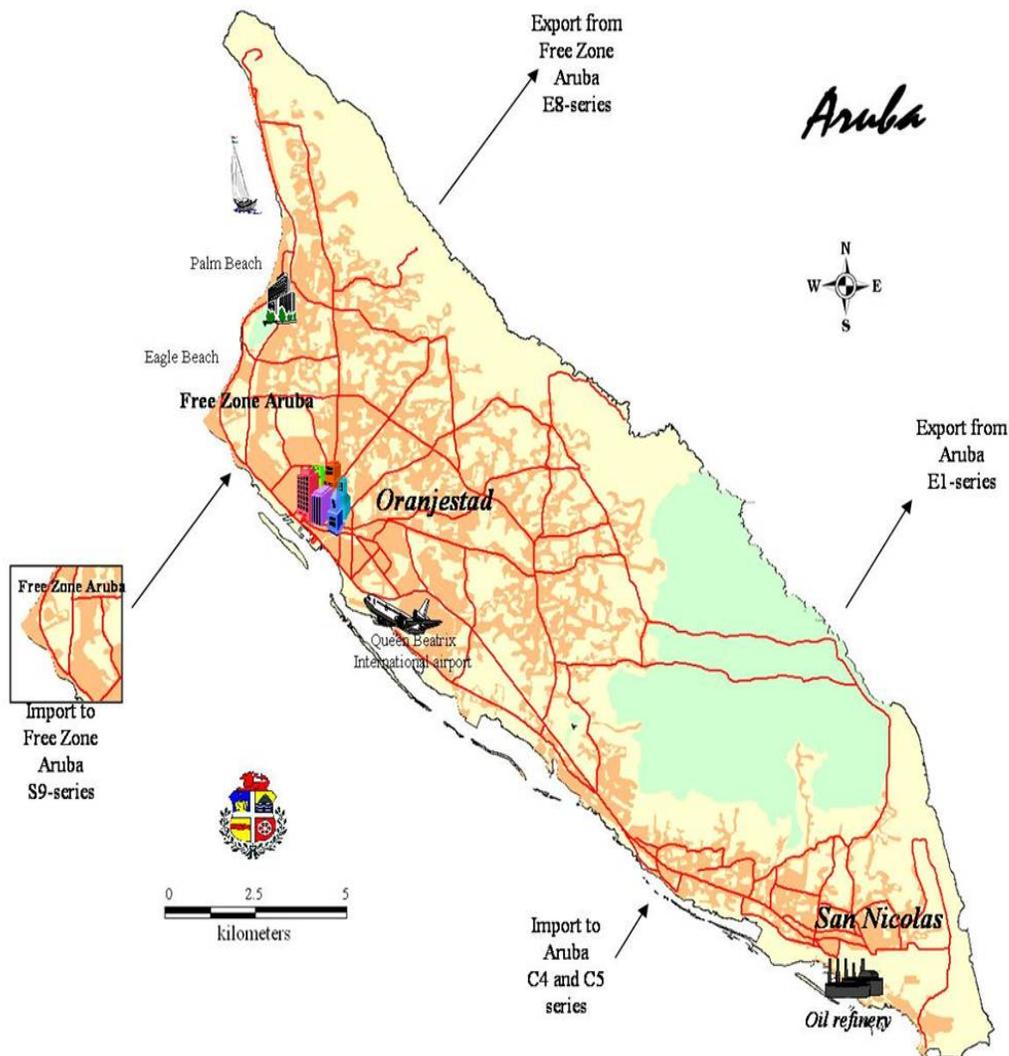
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# Export from Aruba, Free Zone Aruba

## Tables and Graphs

### By Section and Country

*Excluding mineral fuels*



## II. Explanatory Notes

### 1. Trade Data

The collection of data through Customs administration conform the automated Harmonized System of Aruba register all the documents "Enig Document". The customs department registers approximately 8500 documents per month. While we assumed that all existing documents are incorporated in the Harmonized System, CBS analysis shows that there are a good number of documents, which are lost only a part of which are recovered and with much delay. In order to report findings on a timely basis, it was decided to publish preliminary quarterly data. Possible corrections will be made in the annual FTS publication.

### 2. Trade Flows

CBS is utilizing the International General Trade System for the processing and publication of all import and export data by commodities and by country for the island of Aruba.\*

#### Definitions:

The Customs Department also registers trade in and out of the bonded warehouses and freezones. Because of the importance of this type of trade for Aruba, we include these trade flow separately in the table which we called them Import to Aruba, Import to Free Zone Aruba added two additional tables, which we called Storage and Transit. All freezone transactions consisting of storage (Import to Free Zone Aruba) and transit (Export from Free Zone Aruba) are recorded using an S9 for storage of the goods into the warehouses and an E8 for the release of the goods out of the warehouses.

There are two types of movement at the free zone: S9 for goods that arrive from abroad and are stored and E4 for goods exported from Aruba into the freezone. These goods leave the freezone either as a transit good (E8) or an import into Aruba (C48.). By definition, these transactions belong to the Special Trade as well as the General Trade. For many reasons, certain goods are excluded, such as monetary gold, securities, bank notes, coins in circulation and postal items; and goods consigned by a government to its armed forces and diplomatic representatives abroad including Embassies, Consulates, Kabinet van Nederlandse-Antilliaanse en Arubaans Zaken (KABNA), Kabinet of the Governor and Marinierskazerne. These goods are excluded from the foreign trade statistics according to United Nations recommendations. Certain commodities are also excluded from this publication because of specific statistical thresholds or lack of data, for example in the case of mineral fuels. Mineral products (section 5) consist of three categories of which mineral fuels (category 27) is excluded. However, this product will be included in the near future.

### 3. Partner Countries

In the case of import, the partner country is the country of consignment or provenance from which goods are dispatched to Aruba without any commercial transaction in intermediate countries.

In case of export, the partner country is the country of destination known at the time of dispatchment as the final country to which goods are delivered.

The tables by country show the 10 most important countries of the trade value by section for each transaction type. These top countries represent the total transactions by Section

\* Total Imports respectively Total Export include all goods entering respectively leaving the economic territory of Aruba. The economic territory of Aruba comprises Aruba (the free circulation area) and the Freezone Aruba. This is consistent with the General Trade System.

#### **4. Commodity and Country classification**

Harmonized System for Aruba covers 5507 eight digit commodity codes. The first two digits of the code are universally recognize product codes. The remaining six digits further divide the categories into the specific commodities. For publication purposes, Aruba uses 21 sections to clearly organize these product groups. Until december 2008, the Asycuda coding system was used by the Customs department of Aruba.

#### **5. Values and Quantities**

The value of the goods equals the value of the commodity at the place and time it crosses the border. The basis for valuation is cost, insurance & freight (c.i.f.) for import and free on board (f.o.b.) for export. All values are in thousands of Aruban Florins (\$1=Afl. 1.79) (V in Afl). Quantities are expressed as net weight in thousand of kilos W in kg). Blanks on values or quantities indicate that there was no transaction for that commodity code.

#### **6. Publications**

The quarterly Foreign Trade report contains global information on imports and exports of Aruba. This publication consists of:

- Quarterly imports and exports by Harmonized Sections

- Quarterly imports and exports by country and by Harmonized Sections

#### **7. Tables and graphs**

Definitions of tables are shown in the upper left-hand corner of each table. Definitions of graphs are shown above each graph.

**Annex 1: Asycuda Commodity Group Codes  
Classification by Sections and Categories**

**01. Live animals and other animal products**

- 01.01 Live animals
- 01.02 Meat
- 01.03 Fish and seafood
- 01.04 Dairy products
- 01.05 Animals other

**02. Vegetable products**

- 02.06 Live plants
- 02.07 Vegetables
- 02.08 Fruit
- 02.09 Coffee and tea, mate and spices product
- 02.10 Grains
- 02.11 Flour
- 02.12 Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits
- 02.13 Vegetable substances
- 02.14 Other food product

**03. Fats and oils**

- 03.15 Fats and oils

**04. Food products**

- 04.16 Meat and fish preparations
- 04.17 Sugar
- 04.18 Cocoa
- 04.19 Cereal preparations
- 04.20 Vegetable preparations
- 04.21 Other food products
- 04.22 Beverages
- 04.23 Feeding stuff for animals
- 04.24 Tobacco

**05. Mineral products**

- 05.25 Salt, sand stone and cement
- 05.26 Metal-ore
- 05.27 Petrochemical products

**06. Chemical products**

- 06.28 Inorganic chemical products
- 06.29 Organic chemical products
- 06.30 Pharmaceutical products
- 06.31 Fertilizers
- 06.32 Paint, Varnish and Ink
- 06.33 Perfumery and cosmetic preparations
- 06.34 Soap
- 06.35 Albumen and glue
- 06.36 Gunpowder and explosives
- 06.37 Photographic equipment and supplies
- 06.38 Various chemistry

**07. Artificial plastic elements**

- 07.39 Plastic materials and (synthetic) resin
- 07.40 Rubber

**08. Skins, hides, leather and peltry**

- 08.41 Hides, skins and leather
- 08.42 Leather goods and traveling articles

- 08.43 Fur and imitation-fur

**09. Wood, charcoal and woodware**

- 09.44 Wood
- 09.45 Cork
- 09.46 Wattlework and basketwork

**10. Materials for the manufacture of paper**

- 10.47 Materials for the manufacture of paper
- 10.48 Paper and cardboard
- 10.49 Bookstore articles and graphic art

**11. Textile fibres and articles**

- 11.50 Silk
- 11.51 Wool, yarn, textile and crin
- 11.52 Cotton
- 11.53 Other vegetable textile fibres
- 11.54 Synthetic fibre
- 11.55 Synthetic staple fibre
- 11.56 Wadding and felt, rope as well as work thereof
- 11.57 Carpet
- 11.58 Special textile tufted and embroidery
- 11.59 Textile, technical articles of textile
- 11.60 Knitted and crocheted fabrics
- 11.61 Clothing of knitted and crocheted fabrics
- 11.62 Other clothing
- 11.63 Rags

**12. Footwear, headgear and umbrellas**

- 12.64 Footwear
- 12.65 Headgear
- 12.66 Umbrellas and walking-stick
- 12.67 Feather, fluff and artificial flowers

**13. Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos**

- 13.68 Works of stone, gypsum, cement
- 13.69 Ceramic products
- 13.70 Glass and glassware

**14. Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones**

- 14.71 Pearls, precious stones and coins

**15. Base metals and derived works**

- 15.72 Cast iron, iron and steel
- 15.73 Works of cast iron, iron and steel
- 15.74 Copper
- 15.75 Nickel
- 15.76 Aluminum
- 15.77 Magnesium, beryllium
- 15.78 Lead
- 15.79 Zinc
- 15.80 Tin
- 15.81 Other base metals
- 15.82 Tools, utensils, cutlery and crochery
- 15.83 Works of base metals

**Asycuda Commodity Group Codes  
Classification by Sections and Categories**

**16. Machinery and (electrotechnical) equipment  
(new & renewed)**

- 16.84 Reactoren, machinery and mechanical appliances
- 16.85 Machines, electrical appliances

**17. Transport equipment**

- 17.86 Rolling stock
- 17.87 Cars, motorcycles and cycles
- 17.88 Aviation and space travel
- 17.89 Navigation

**18. Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment**

- 18.90 Instruments
- 18.91 Clockwork
- 18.92 Musical instruments

**19. Arms and ammunition**

- 19.93 Arms and ammunition

**20. Various goods and products n.e.s.**

- 20.94 Furniture, articles for lighting and construction work
- 20.95 Toys and games
- 20.96 Various works, brushware
- 20.97 Art-objects
- 20.98 Various works

**21. Art-objects and collectors items including toys**

- 21.99 Furniture to be removed

