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## First Quarter 2010



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## HIGHLIGHTS

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One positive development in 2009 was the absence of any major increase in trade barriers imposed by WTO members in response to the crisis. The number of trade-restricting measures applied by governments has actually declined in recent months. However, significant slack remains in the global economy, and unemployment is likely to remain high throughout 2010 in many countries. Persistent unemployment may intensify protectionist pressures.

“During these difficult times, the multilateral trading system has once again proven its value. WTO rules and principles have assisted governments in keeping markets open and they now provide a platform from which trade can grow as the global economy improves. We see the light at the end of the tunnel and trade promises to be an important part of the recovery. But we must avoid derailing any economic revival through protectionism,” said WTO Director-General Pascal Lamy.

### Why was the trade decline so large?

Sharp falls in wealth during the recession caused households and firms to reduce their spending on all types of goods, especially consumer durables (e.g. automobiles) and investment goods such as industrial machinery. Purchases of these items could be postponed easily in response to heightened economic uncertainty, and they may also have been more sensitive to credit conditions than other types of goods.

Whatever the reason for their decline, the reduction in demand for these products fed through to markets that supply inputs for their production, particularly iron and steel. Falling demand for iron and steel was also linked to the slump in building construction in countries where property markets had been booming before the crisis (e.g., the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland and Spain).

The fact that some products comprise a disproportionately large share of world trade, compared with their share of overall output, may have further depressed world trade flows relative to overall production (GDP or gross domestic product). For example, consumer durables and investment goods make up a relatively small fraction of global output but a relatively large part of world trade. Consequently, a decline in demand for these products would have had a greater impact on trade than on GDP.

A final factor that reinforced the 2009 trade slump was its synchronized nature. Exports and imports of all countries fell at the same time, leaving no region untouched (Chart 3). It is intuitively clear that the fall in world trade would have been smaller if contraction in some regions had been balanced by expansion in others, but this was not the case.

The synchronized nature of the decline is closely related to the spread of international supply chains and information technology, which allows producers in one region to respond almost instantly to market conditions in another part of the world. This usually contributes to global and national welfare by encouraging the most efficient use of scarce resources, but in the case of the trade collapse it may have spread the recession faster.

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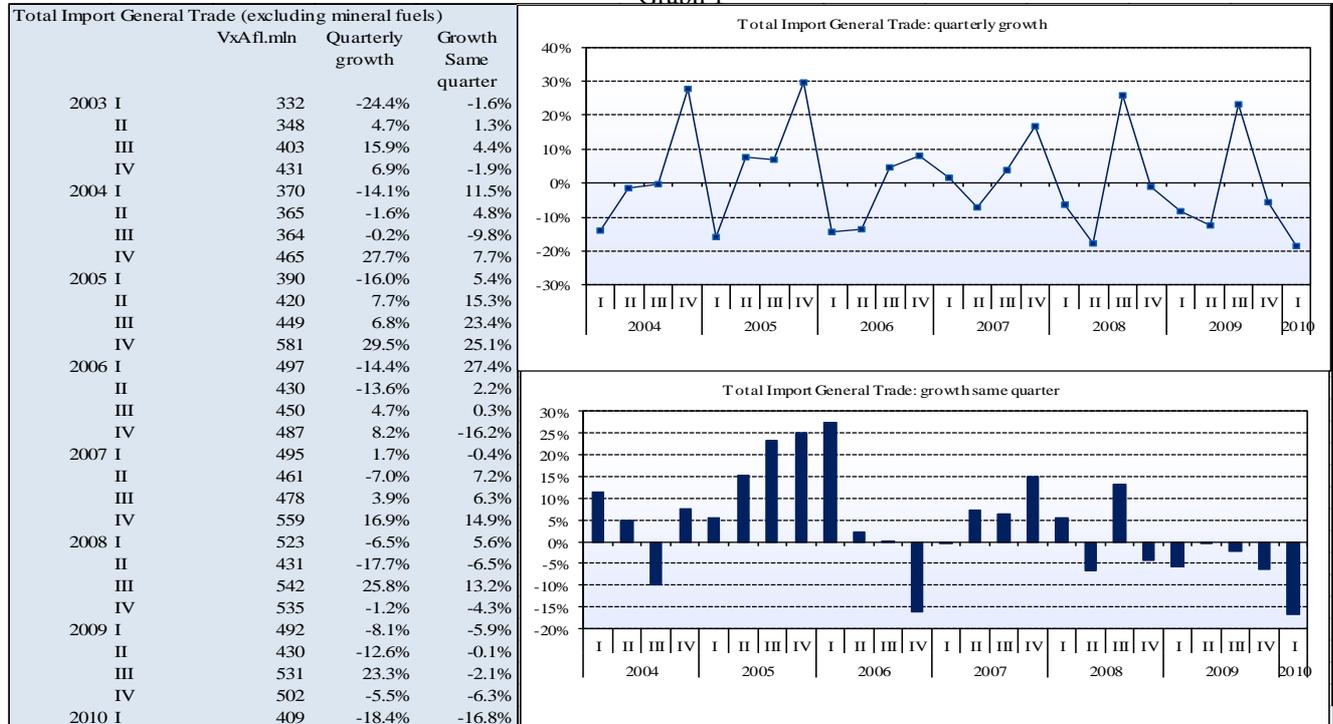
# INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FOR ARUBA: FIRST QUARTER 2010

In the first quarter of 2010 the following developments have been registered in the international merchandise flows of Aruba.

## Trends in total Import

During the first quarter of 2010 Aruba imported a total value of Afl. 409 million from the rest of the world. This represent a decrease of 16.8% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. (Graph 1)

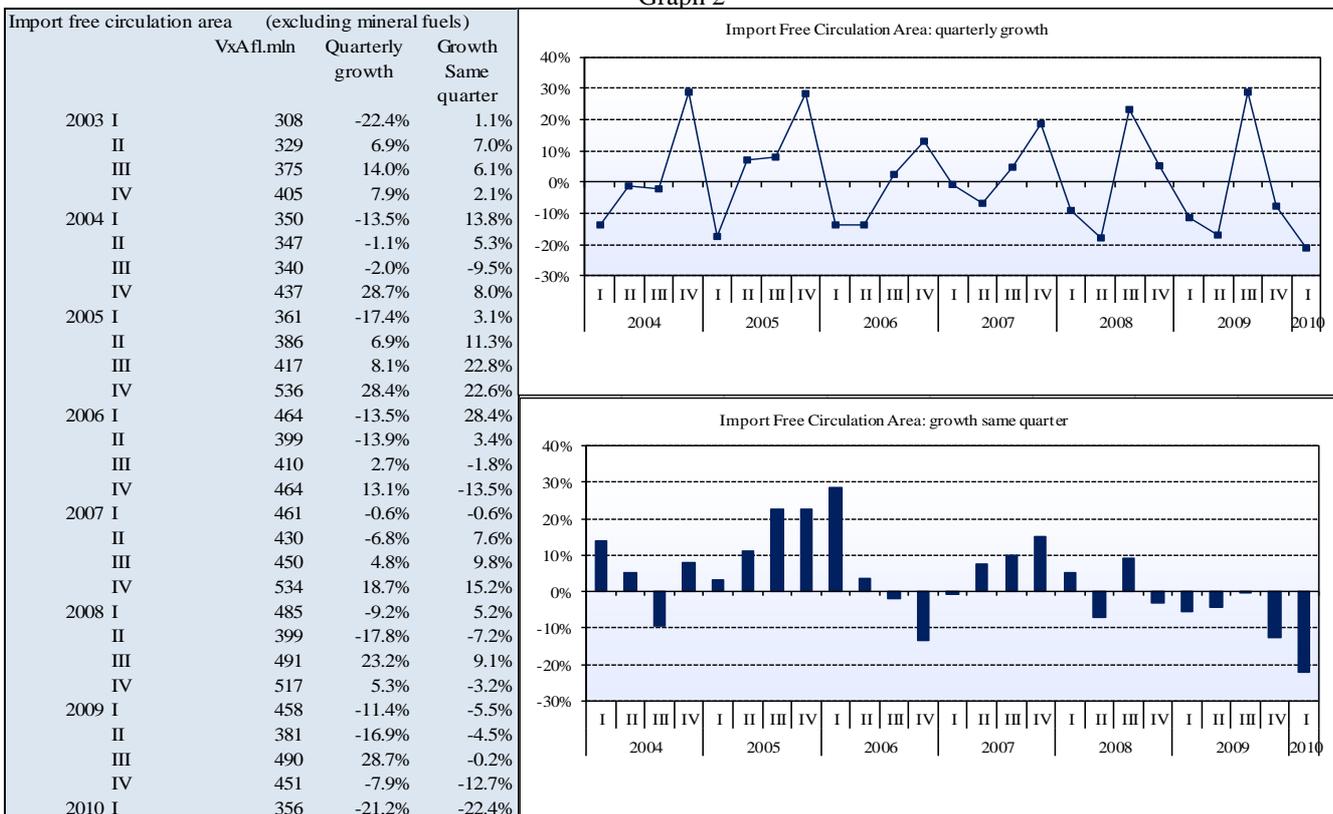
Graph 1



## Merchandise trade in the free circulation area of Aruba

In the first quarter of 2010 import to the free circulation area of Aruba decreased with 22.4% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. The value of import to this area was Afl. 356 million in the first quarter of 2010. (Graph2)

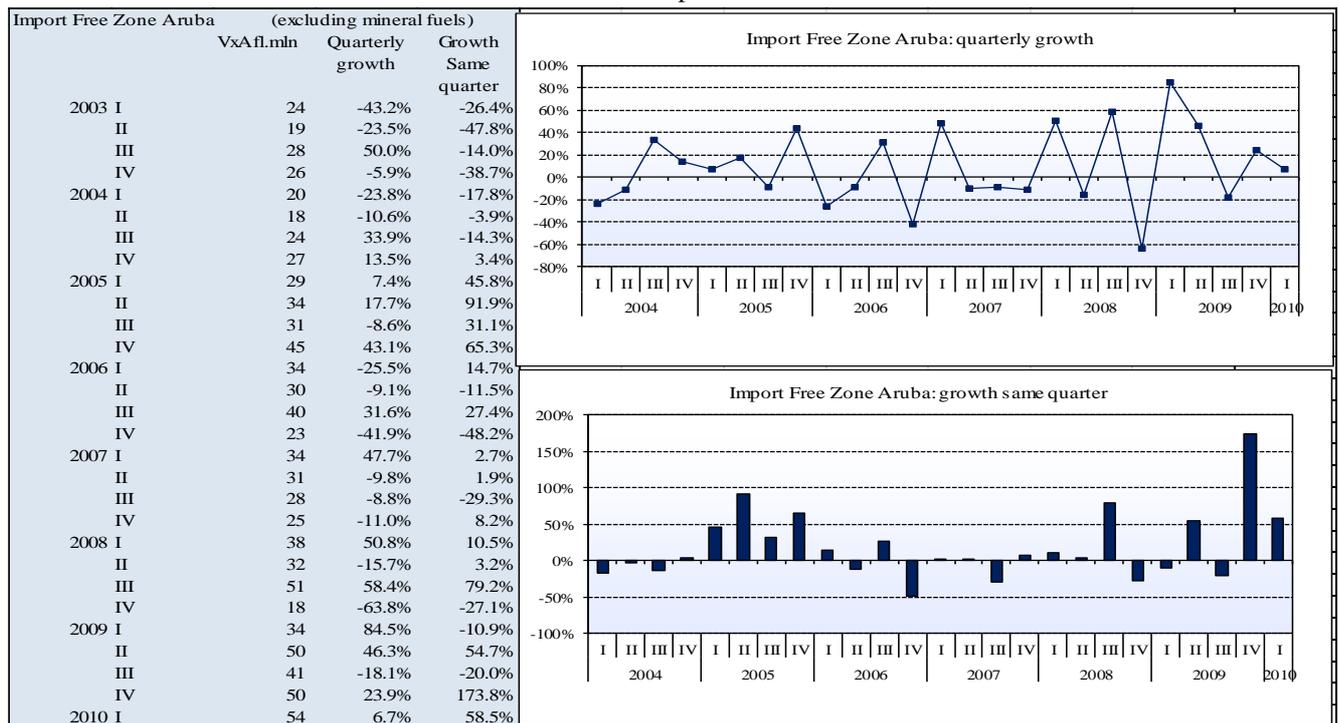
Graph 2



### Import to the Free Zone of Aruba

The value of import to the Free Zone of Aruba for the first quarter of 2010 was Afl. 54 million. This represent an increase of 59% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. (Graph 3)

Graph 3

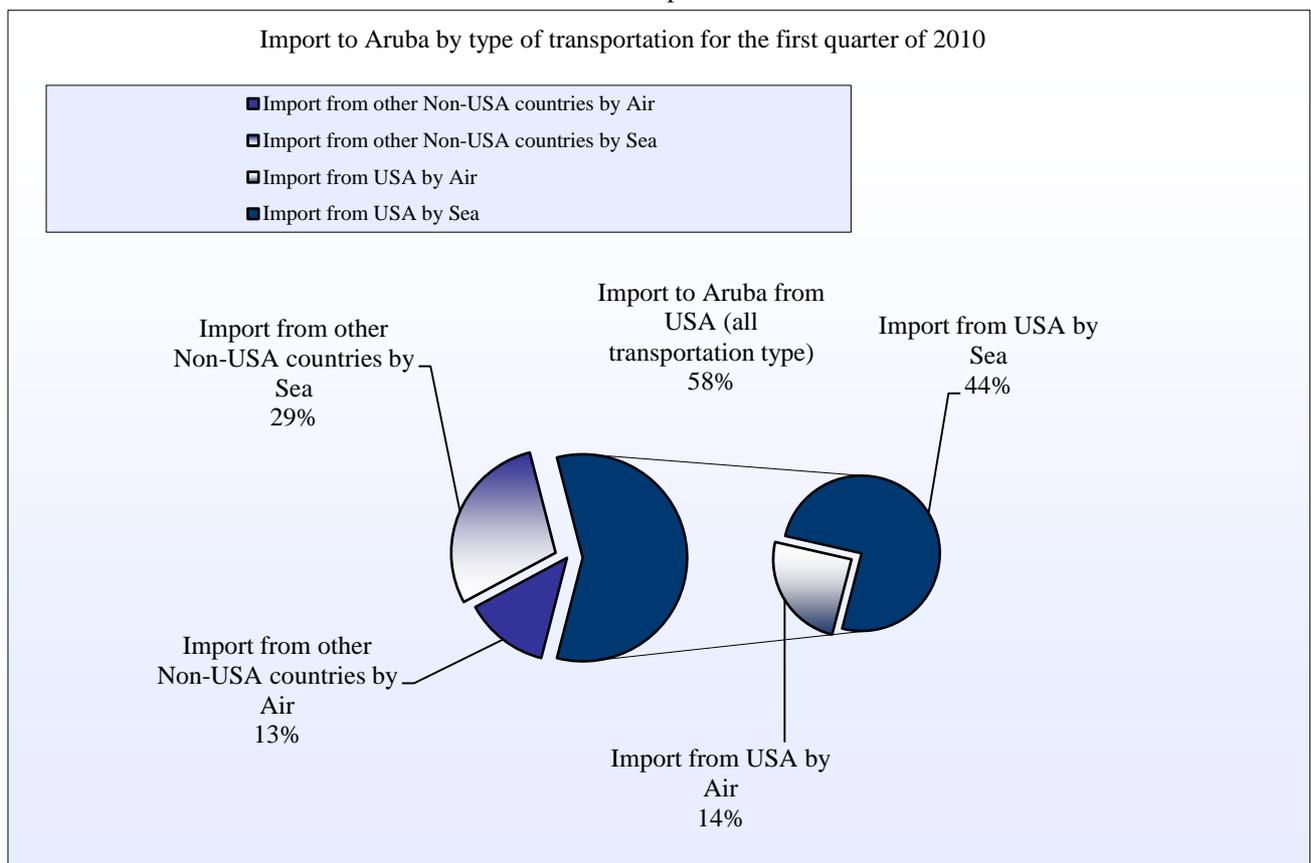


### Import to the free circulation area of Aruba from USA and Non-USA countries by type of transportation

An analysis of the transportation type used to import goods in Aruba indicated that for the first quarter of 2010, 73% of imports were by sea and 27% by air<sup>1</sup>.

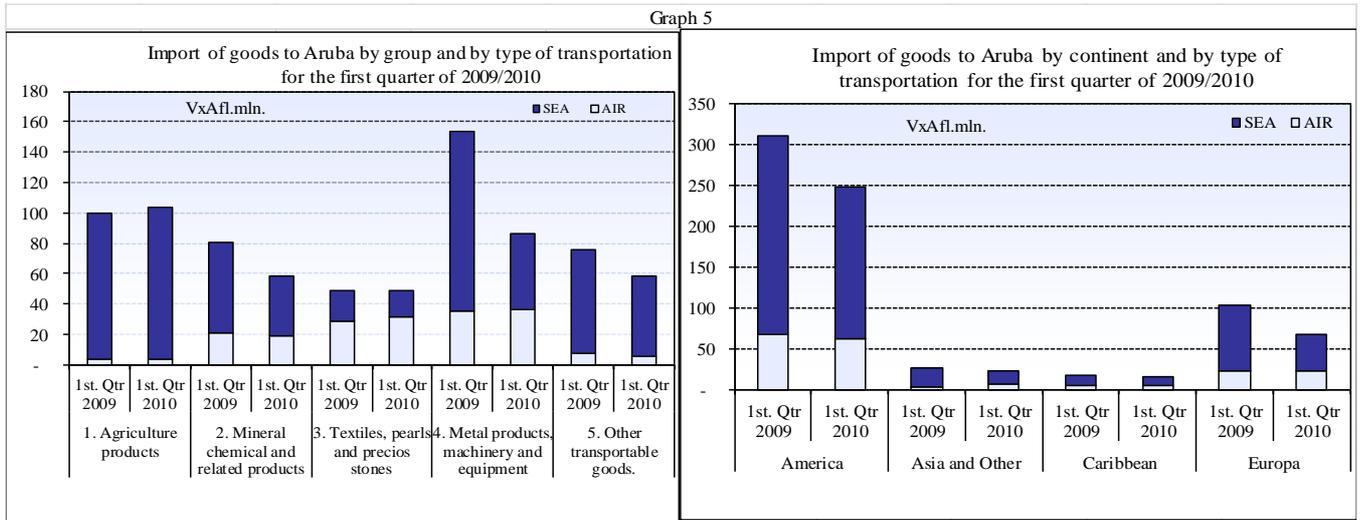
The USA had a share of 58% in imports to Aruba. From this share 44% was by sea, while 14% was by air<sup>1</sup>. (Graph 4) Other customs information for the first quarter of 2010 indicated that the total number of containers<sup>2</sup> entering the free circulation area decreased with 21%, from 2807 containers during the first quarter of 2010 to 3568 containers in the first quarter of 2009.

Graph 4



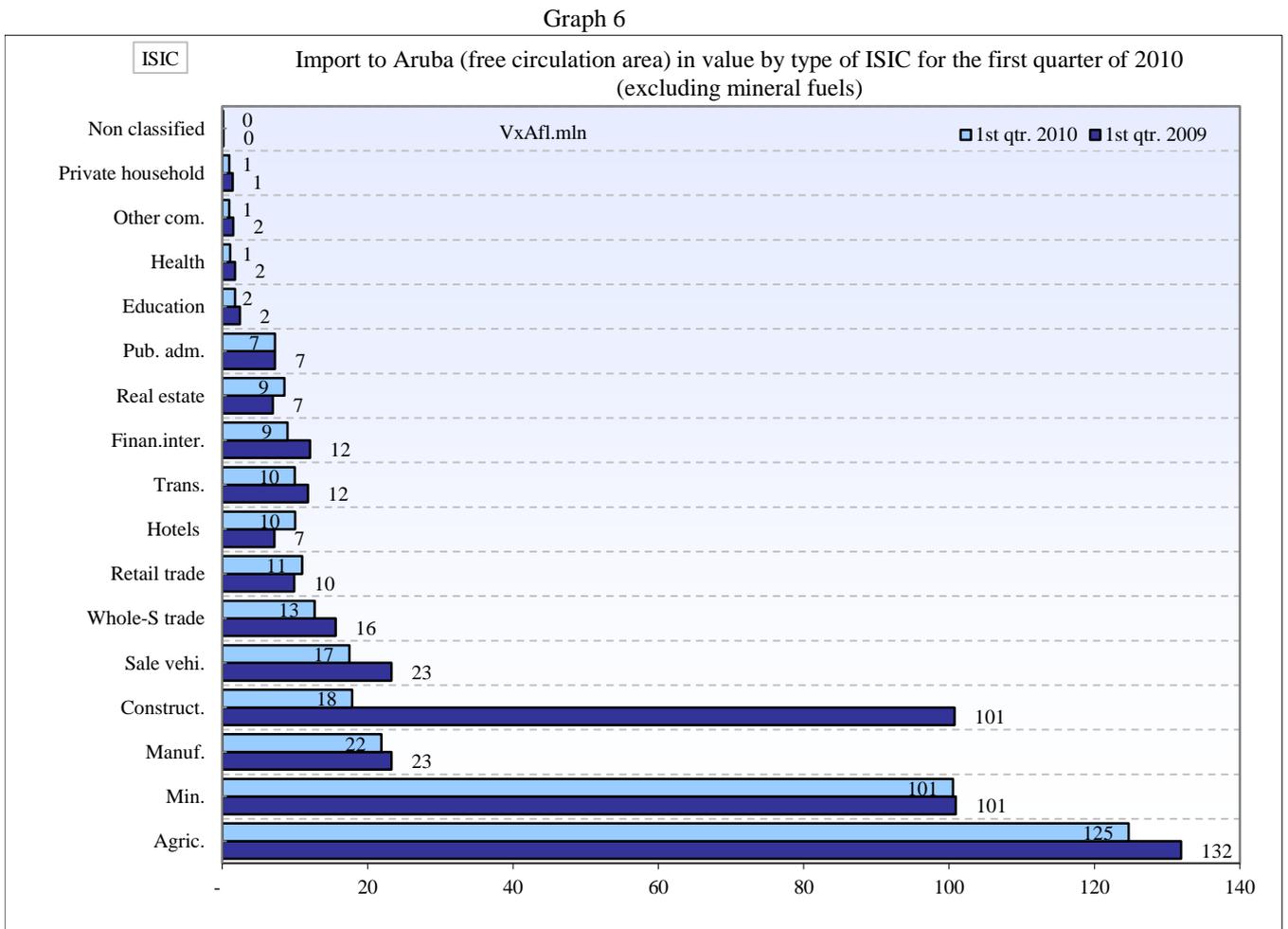
**Import to the free circulation area of Aruba by Group, Continent and type of transportation**

In the first quarter of 2010 the value of import to the free circulation area of Aruba for air transport<sup>1)</sup> was Afl.97 million which remain unchanged compare to the 1st quarter of 2009. For sea transportation the value of import to the free circulation area of Aruba was Afl.258 which represent a decrease of 29% This decrease was mainly in the group of "Metal products, machinery and equipment". (Graph 5) . 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)



**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 2010 in percentage was "Construction". (Graph 6)



<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.

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## Preface

The 2010 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 2005 till 2008 and over the quarters of 2009 and 2010. The figures pertaining to 2008 till 2010 should still be considered as provisional, while the trade statistics series for 2005 till 2007 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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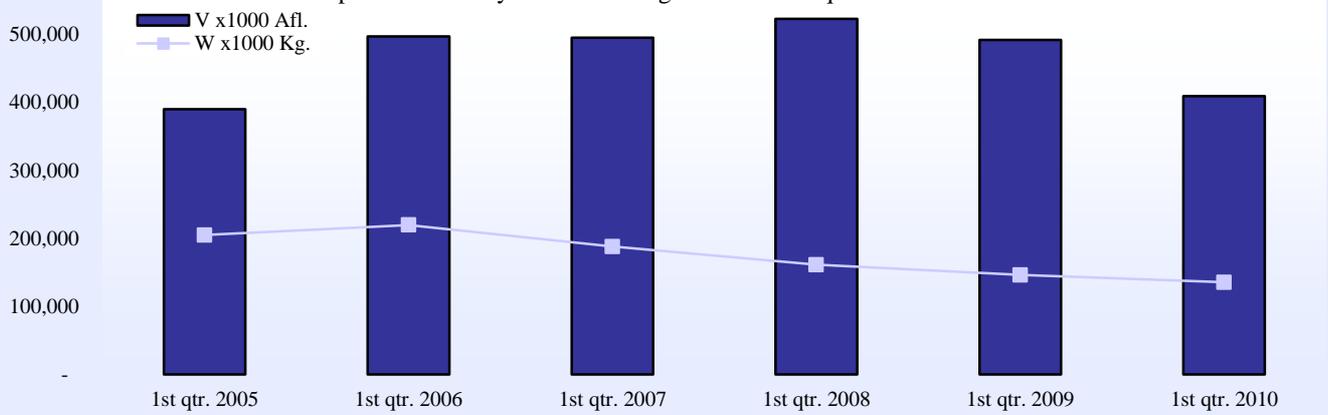
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**I.a.1 Total Import and Export of goods to Aruba over the years 2005 till 2008 and over the quarters of 2009 and 2010 (in value and weight)**

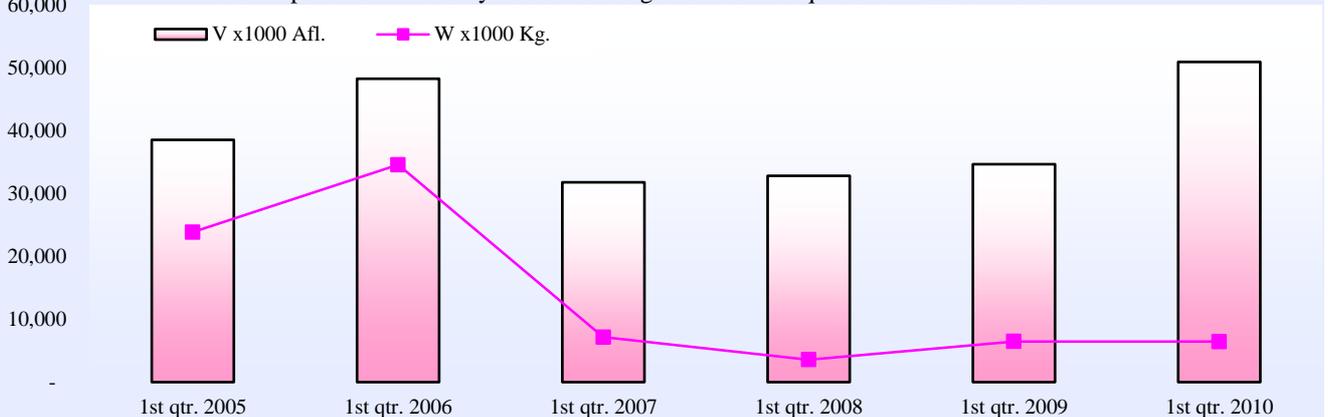
Transactions over the years 2004 till 2007 and over the quarters of 2008 and 2009						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
Year 2005	1,700,791	140,087	1,840,877	819,171	88,815	907,986
Year 2006	1,736,659	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
Year 2008	1,891,451	139,167	2,030,618	590,147	13,205	603,352
1st qtr. 2009	458,189	33,881	492,071	141,958	4,289	146,247
2nd qtr. 2009	380,581	49,552	430,133	297,755	11,027	308,782
3rd qtr. 2009	489,924	40,590	530,514	79,832	5,428	85,260
4th qtr. 2009	451,288	50,297	501,585	142,079	4,026	146,105
1st qtr. 2010	355,758	53,692	409,450	132,750	2,729	135,479

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 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
Year 2008	54,683	124,091	178,774	14,423	11,718	26,141
1st qtr. 2009	11,475	23,182	34,657	3,349	3,104	6,453
2nd qtr. 2009	14,015	37,333	51,348	2,798	10,457	13,255
3rd qtr. 2009	14,801	59,819	74,620	3,074	6,254	9,328
4th qtr. 2009	11,677	70,951	82,628	3,164	4,969	8,133
1st qtr. 2010	10,421	40,501	50,923	3,341	3,110	6,451

Total Import to Aruba by value and weight for the first quarter of 2005 till 2010



Total Export from Aruba by value and weight for the first quarter of 2005 till 2010

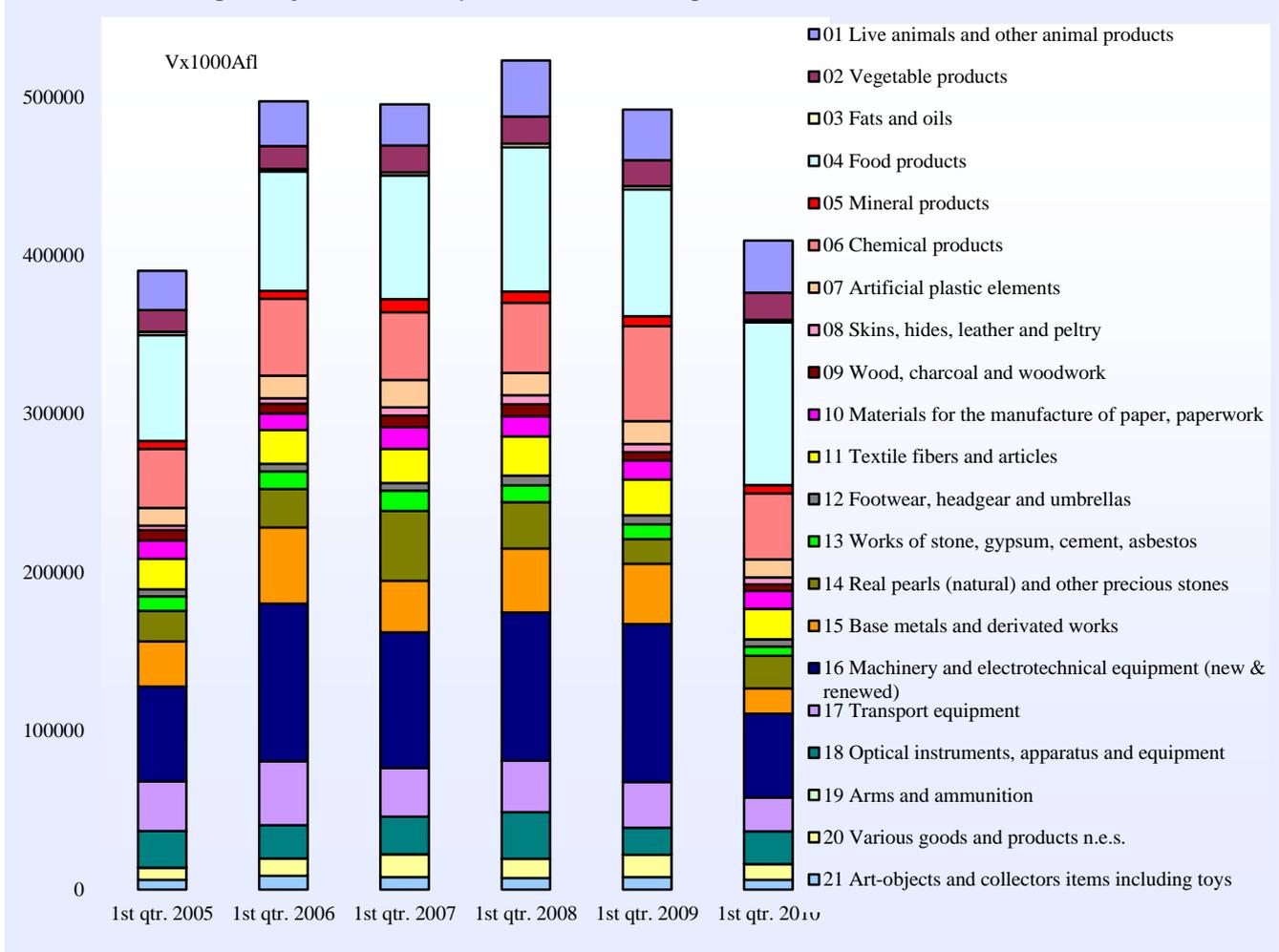


**I.a.2 Import of goods to Aruba by sections over the first quarter of 2009 and 2010 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2009-2010	V x1000 Afl.					
	1st qtr. 2009			1st qtr. 2010		
	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	31,965		31,965	33,024		33,024
02 Vegetable products	15,874	365	16,239	16,682	377	17,059
03 Fats and oils	2,195		2,195	1,471		1,471
04 Food products	49,824	30,250	80,074	52,188	50,583	102,771
05 Mineral products	6,214		6,214	5,116		5,116
06 Chemical products	59,881		59,881	41,738		41,738
07 Artificial plastic elements	14,355	4	14,359	11,410		11,410
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	5,197	8	5,205	4,385		4,385
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	5,190		5,190	4,142		4,142
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	12,103	41	12,144	11,318		11,318
11 Textile fibers and articles	22,464	140	22,605	19,167		19,167
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	5,526	140	5,666	4,560		4,560
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	8,756	451	9,206	5,927		5,927
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	15,675		15,675	20,521		20,521
15 Base metals and derivated works	36,838	1,102	37,940	15,980	16	15,996
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	99,606	41	99,647	50,302	2,517	52,818
17 Transport equipment	28,834		28,834	21,215	198	21,412
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	17,103		17,103	20,493	1	20,495
19 Arms and ammunition	87	1	88	28		28
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	12,634	1,320	13,954	9,947		9,947
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys	7,869	17	7,886	6,145		6,145

2) Previously toys were classified in Section 20

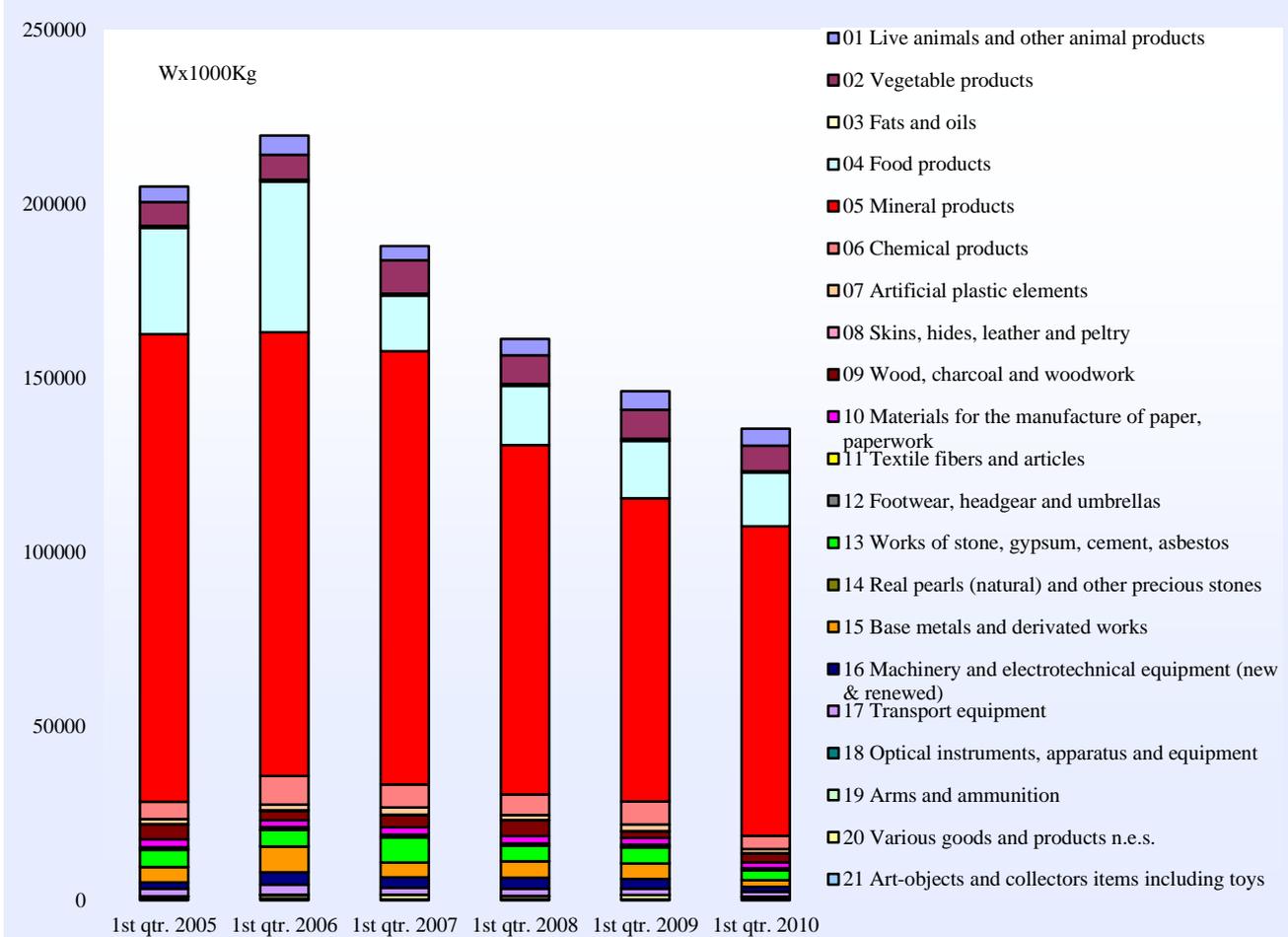
Total Import of goods to Aruba by sections for the first quarter of 2005 till 2010



Section (0..21) by weight for the first quarter of 2009-2010	W x1000 Kg.					
	1st qtr. 2009			1st qtr. 2010		
	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	5,339		5,339	4,887		4,887
02 Vegetable products	7,427	886	8,313	7,184	130	7,314
03 Fats and oils	637		637	385		385
04 Food products	13,409	3,079	16,487	12,990	2,420	15,410
05 Mineral products	87,081		87,081	88,959		88,959
06 Chemical products	6,630		6,630	3,800		3,800
07 Artificial plastic elements	1,869	2	1,871	1,179		1,179
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	109	0	110	80		80
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	1,898		1,898	2,554		2,554
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	1,915	1	1,916	1,706		1,706
11 Textile fibers and articles	662	2	665	480		480
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	132	2	135	119		119
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	4,529	58	4,587	2,841		2,841
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	14		14	16		16
15 Base metals and derivated works	4,421	66	4,486	1,864	0	1,864
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	2,787	6	2,793	1,327	166	1,493
17 Transport equipment	1,747		1,747	1,372	13	1,386
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	76		76	73	-	73
19 Arms and ammunition	1	0	1	0		0
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	1,006	188	1,194	733		733
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys	268	0	268	202		202

2) Previously toys were classified in Section 20

Total Import of goods to Aruba by sections for the first quarter of 2005 till 2010



**I.b.1. Import of goods to Aruba by sections over the years 2005 till 2008 and over the quarters of 2009 and 2010**

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 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
Year 2008	136,482		136,482	17,971		17,971
1st qtr. 2009	31,965		31,965	5,339		5,339
2nd qtr. 2009	27,958		27,958	4,836		4,836
3rd qtr. 2009	28,230		28,230	4,734		4,734
4th qtr. 2009	32,912		32,912	5,113		5,113
1st qtr. 2010	33,024		33,024	4,887		4,887

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 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
Year 2008	67,552	3,173	70,725	28,813	5,766	34,579
1st qtr. 2009	15,874	365	16,239	7,427	886	8,313
2nd qtr. 2009	16,268	426	16,695	7,940	1,461	9,401
3rd qtr. 2009	15,087	674	15,761	7,405	2,289	9,693
4th qtr. 2009	17,866	206	18,073	7,832	647	8,478
1st qtr. 2010	16,682	377	17,059	7,184	130	7,314

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 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
Year 2008	10,400		10,400	2,274		2,274
1st qtr. 2009	2,195		2,195	637		637
2nd qtr. 2009	1,975		1,975	506		506
3rd qtr. 2009	2,526		2,526	695		695
4th qtr. 2009	2,219		2,219	660		660
1st qtr. 2010	1,471		1,471	385		385

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 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
Year 2008	214,888	127,050	341,938	58,494	7,070	65,564
1st qtr. 2009	49,824	30,250	80,074	13,409	3,079	16,487
2nd qtr. 2009	51,228	48,178	99,406	13,204	9,518	22,722
3rd qtr. 2009	52,823	39,304	92,127	14,009	3,111	17,120
4th qtr. 2009	59,342	41,922	101,264	14,577	3,015	17,591
1st qtr. 2010	52,188	50,583	102,771	12,990	2,420	15,410

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 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
Year 2008	29,159		29,159	365,261		365,261
1st qtr. 2009	6,214		6,214	87,081		87,081
2nd qtr. 2009	6,130		6,130	243,790		243,790
3rd qtr. 2009	3,844		3,844	18,395		18,395
4th qtr. 2009	5,421		5,421	89,197		89,197
1st qtr. 2010	5,116		5,116	88,959		88,959

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 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
Year 2008	196,864	102	196,965	24,655	6	24,661
1st qtr. 2009	59,881		59,881	6,630		6,630
2nd qtr. 2009	47,465		47,465	6,050		6,050
3rd qtr. 2009	45,716		45,716	12,152		12,152
4th qtr. 2009	47,367		47,367	4,939		4,939
1st qtr. 2010	41,738		41,738	3,800		3,800

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 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
Year 2008	62,285	845	63,130	6,335	80	6,415
1st qtr. 2009	14,355	4	14,359	1,869	2	1,871
2nd qtr. 2009	13,397	73	13,470	1,590	7	1,598
3rd qtr. 2009	14,512	1	14,513	1,649	0	1,649
4th qtr. 2009	13,324	78	13,402	1,531	14	1,545
1st qtr. 2010	11,410		11,410	1,178		1,178

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 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
Year 2008	22,944	17	22,961	465	0	466
1st qtr. 2009	5,197	8	5,205	109	0	110
2nd qtr. 2009	4,617	10	4,627	117	0	117
3rd qtr. 2009	3,758	26	3,784	78	0	78
4th qtr. 2009	5,261	26	5,287	130	1	131
1st qtr. 2010	4,385		4,385	80		80

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 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
Year 2008	29,890	8	29,898	14,650	1	14,651
1st qtr. 2009	5,190		5,190	1,898		1,898
2nd qtr. 2009	3,727	21	3,748	2,043	1	2,044
3rd qtr. 2009	4,463		4,463	1,873		1,873
4th qtr. 2009	5,286		5,286	3,160		3,160
1st qtr. 2010	4,142		4,142	2,554		2,554

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 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
Year 2008	56,937	79	57,016	8,491	3	8,494
1st qtr. 2009	12,103	41	12,144	1,915	1	1,916
2nd qtr. 2009	11,215		11,215	1,635		1,635
3rd qtr. 2009	14,009	58	14,066	1,746	1	1,747
4th qtr. 2009	12,432		12,432	1,842		1,842
1st qtr. 2010	11,318		11,318	1,706		1,706

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 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
Year 2008	101,921	151	102,071	3,137	2	3,140
1st qtr. 2009	22,464	140	22,605	662	2	665
2nd qtr. 2009	18,629	99	18,728	852	2	854
3rd qtr. 2009	23,255	36	23,290	785	1	786
4th qtr. 2009	28,130	217	28,348	792	2	794
1st qtr. 2010	19,167		19,167	480		480

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 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
Year 2008	26,967	706	27,673	787	12	799
1st qtr. 2009	5,526	140	5,666	132	2	135
2nd qtr. 2009	5,793	301	6,093	154	6	160
3rd qtr. 2009	5,762	215	5,977	140	3	143
4th qtr. 2009	7,633	406	8,039	170	6	176
1st qtr. 2010	4,560		4,560	119		119

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 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
Year 2008	46,652	257	46,908	19,575	23	19,598
1st qtr. 2009	8,756	451	9,206	4,529	58	4,587
2nd qtr. 2009	8,178	116	8,293	6,848	15	6,863
3rd qtr. 2009	9,653	0	9,654	4,766	0	4,766
4th qtr. 2009	8,732	186	8,918	4,369	36	4,404
1st qtr. 2010	5,927		5,927	2,841		2,841

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 2005	73,319		73,319	36		36
Year 2006	70,138		70,138	47		47
Year 2007	129,311		129,311	47		47
Year 2008	89,031		89,031	62		62
1st qtr. 2009	15,675		15,675	14		14
2nd qtr. 2009	8,139		8,139	17		17
3rd qtr. 2009	7,413		7,413	19		19
4th qtr. 2009	39,891		39,891	25		25
1st qtr. 2010	20,521		20,521	16		16

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 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
Year 2008	134,744	695	135,439	14,571	39	14,610
1st qtr. 2009	36,838	1,102	37,940	4,421	66	4,486
2nd qtr. 2009	23,896	79	23,975	2,900	4	2,904
3rd qtr. 2009	23,966	27	23,993	3,158	6	3,164
4th qtr. 2009	18,510	194	18,704	2,467	4	2,471
1st qtr. 2010	15,980	16	15,996	1,864	0	1,864

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 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
Year 2008	326,052	3,245	329,297	10,154	98	10,252
1st qtr. 2009	99,606	41	99,647	2,787	6	2,793
2nd qtr. 2009	76,808	152	76,960	2,356	9	2,365
3rd qtr. 2009	162,938	219	163,157	4,816	17	4,833
4th qtr. 2009	67,798	7,044	74,842	2,003	301	2,305
1st qtr. 2010	50,302	2,517	52,818	1,327	166	1,493

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 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
Year 2008	126,450	1,091	127,541	7,962	91	8,053
1st qtr. 2009	28,834		28,834	1,747		1,747
2nd qtr. 2009	24,691	65	24,756	1,494	3	1,496
3rd qtr. 2009	24,177	1	24,178	1,577	0	1,577
4th qtr. 2009	25,471		25,471	1,648		1,648
1st qtr. 2010	21,215	198	21,412	1,372	13	1,386

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 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
Year 2008	115,950		115,950	754		754
1st qtr. 2009	17,103		17,103	76		76
2nd qtr. 2009	12,171		12,171	77		77
3rd qtr. 2009	16,316		16,316	138		138
4th qtr. 2009	29,374	4	29,377	104	0	104
1st qtr. 2010	20,493	1	20,495	73	0	73

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 2005	203	4	207	7	0	7
Year 2006	224	32	256	4	1	6
Year 2007	196	18	214	7	0	8
Year 2008	78		78	1		1
1st qtr. 2009	87	1	88	1	0	1
2nd qtr. 2009	11		11	0		0
3rd qtr. 2009	203		203	7		7
4th qtr. 2009	9		9	0		0
1st qtr. 2010	28		28	0		0

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 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
Year 2008	51,072	1,679	52,751	4,121	11	4,132
1st qtr. 2009	12,634	1,320	13,954	1,006	188	1,194
2nd qtr. 2009	9,948	8	9,956	1,094	0	1,094
3rd qtr. 2009	16,252		16,252	1,349		1,349
4th qtr. 2009	14,581		14,581	1,193		1,193
1st qtr. 2010	9,947		9,947	733		733

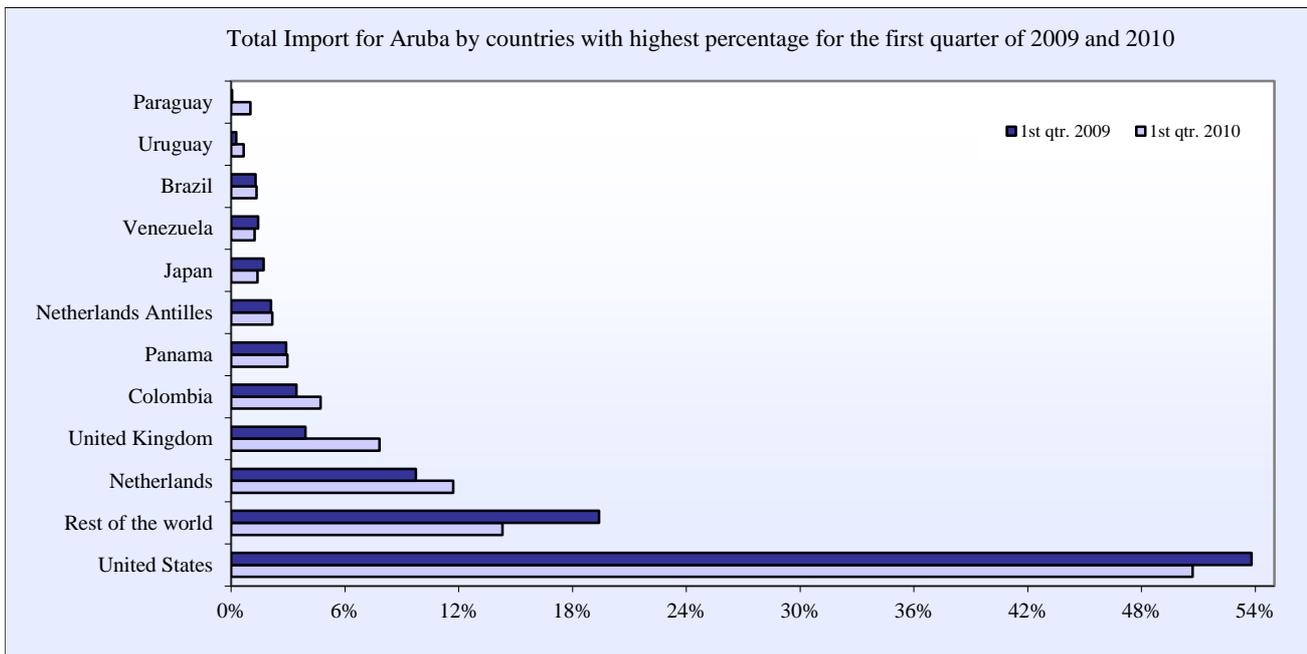
Section 21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys <sup>2)</sup>						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	<b>Total Import</b>	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	<b>Total Import</b>
Year 2005	39,124	27	39,151	1,756	1	1,757
Year 2006	41,269	42	41,311	1,744	1	1,745
Year 2007	45,205	147	45,352	1,598	22	1,620
Year 2008	45,134	70	45,203	1,613	3	1,616
1st qtr. 2009	7,869	17	7,886	268	0	268
2nd qtr. 2009	8,337	23	8,360	252	1	253
3rd qtr. 2009	15,021	29	15,050	343	1	344
4th qtr. 2009	9,727	14	9,741	330	0	330
1st qtr. 2010	6,145		6,145	202		202

<sup>2)</sup> Previously toys were classified in Section 20

**I.b.2 Import of goods by the 11 most important countries over the first quarter of 2009 and 2010 (in value and weight)**

Import by country in value	V x1000 Afl.					
	1st qtr. 2009			1st qtr. 2010		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
United States	261,991	2,779	264,770	206,249	1,331	207,580
Netherlands	46,736	1,209	47,945	46,671	1,253	47,924
United Kingdom	1,368	17,865	19,233	1,218	30,811	32,029
Panama	13,755	466	14,220	12,050	93	12,143
Netherlands Antilles	10,322		10,322	8,857		8,857
Japan	8,408		8,408	5,693		5,693
Colombia	7,532	9,376	16,908	7,199	12,076	19,275
Brazil	6,104	206	6,310	5,204	294	5,498
Paraguay	257		257	0	4,150	4,150
Uruguay	63	1,247	1,310	0	2,691	2,692
Venezuela	6,970		6,970	5,020		5,020
Rest of the world	94,684	735	95,419	57,597	991	58,588
<b>Total</b>	<b>458,189</b>	<b>33,881</b>	<b>492,071</b>	<b>355,758</b>	<b>53,692</b>	<b>409,450</b>

Import by country in weight	W x1000 Kf.					
	1st qtr. 2009			1st qtr. 2010		
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import
United States	28,638	281	28,919	22,374	77	22,452
Netherlands	7,204	1,453	8,657	6,924	96	7,020
United Kingdom	273	916	1,190	279	1,166	1,445
Panama	636	15	651	507	20	527
Netherlands Antilles	1,269		1,269	3,676		3,676
Japan	443		443	314		314
Colombia	14,626	540	15,167	13,209	702	13,911
Brazil	2,348	53	2,401	1,709	70	1,779
Paraguay	62		62	0	206	206
Uruguay	12	90	102	-	193	193
Venezuela	3,705		3,705	2,468		2,468
Rest of the world	82,741	941	83,682	81,289	200	81,489
<b>Total</b>	<b>141,958</b>	<b>4,289</b>	<b>146,247</b>	<b>132,750</b>	<b>2,729</b>	<b>135,479</b>



**I.b.3. Import of goods to Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2010 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2010	V x1000 Afl.										
	Import to Aruba										
	United States	Netherlands	Switzerland	Panama	Netherlands Antilles	Japan	Colombia	Brazil	Korea Republic (South)	Venezuela	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	17,537	8,053	1	394	80		151	3,484		533	2,792
02 Vegetable products	10,984	1,906	11	28	25		904			1,629	1,196
03 Fats and oils	1,243	84	1				37			1	104
04 Food products	30,885	8,870	55	948	2,530		1,283	107	42	1,524	5,945
05 Mineral products	147	58	0	0	150		1,577			0	3,183
06 Chemical products	21,148	5,707	1,312	4,631	2,220	10	431		1	278	6,000
07 Artificial plastic elements	6,264	1,826	19	129	206	264	451	22	82	119	2,028
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	1,720	339	28	222	64	4	121	0		3	1,885
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	1,808	295	1	49	25		337	322		9	1,296
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	7,076	1,505	10	39	377	4	527	208	1	34	1,537
11 Textile fibers and articles	10,001	1,339	3	2,822	1,354		219	29	0	25	3,375
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	2,531	372		902	126	4	23	55		18	528
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	2,358	820	45	53	32	20	368	665	5	48	1,513
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	15,821	15	298	13	504	23	1			10	3,838
15 Base metals and derived works	9,364	4,054	24	91	103	23	411	43	0	531	1,334
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	36,029	5,256	105	1,224	309	284	22	147	96	65	6,766
17 Transport equipment	9,404	694	0	21	126	5,050	7	74	3,949	72	1,818
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	12,233	1,955	3,057	159	443	4	66	4	0	6	2,567
19 Arms and ammunition	28										
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	6,139	2,077	78	237	80	0	236	40		99	960
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys <sup>2)</sup>	3,528	1,445	8	90	104	3	27	3		16	921
<b>Total</b>	<b>206,249</b>	<b>46,671</b>	<b>5,054</b>	<b>12,050</b>	<b>8,857</b>	<b>5,693</b>	<b>7,199</b>	<b>5,204</b>	<b>4,176</b>	<b>5,020</b>	<b>49,585</b>

<sup>2)</sup> Previously toys were classified in Section 20

Section (0..21) by weight for the first quarter of 2010	W x1000 Kg.										
	Import to Aruba										
	United States	Netherlands	Switzerland	Panama	Netherlands Antilles	Japan	Colombia	Brazil	Korea Republic (South)	Venezuela	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	2,422	1,163	0	55	20		23	684		50	468
02 Vegetable products	3,787	1,105	3	3	8		340			1,274	663
03 Fats and oils	328	13	0				19			0	24
04 Food products	7,055	2,332	12	194	282		595	59	16	713	1,733
05 Mineral products	113	73	0	0	2,894		11,173			0	74,706
06 Chemical products	2,360	374	9	13	259	0	149		0	260	375
07 Artificial plastic elements	574	150	0	11	22	27	82	0	8	22	281
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	36	5	0	6	3	0	3	-		0	27
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	1,080	39	0	26	2		188	221		8	990
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	1,092	117	0	5	89	0	63	94	0	3	243
11 Textile fibers and articles	269	27	0	63	42		4	0	-	1	73
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	57	7		21	4	0	1	1		0	28
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	480	197	2	6	1	0	500	629	1	29	997
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	13	0	1	0	0	0	-			0	2
15 Base metals and derived works	711	853	2	7	10	0	37	4	0	88	151
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	878	179	3	67	19	2	1	2	2	4	170
17 Transport equipment	574	99	0	1	8	283	0	4	296	8	100
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	54	6	1	5	1	0	1	0	-	0	4
19 Arms and ammunition	0										
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	393	126	4	15	6	0	30	11		7	141
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys <sup>2)</sup>	96	59	0	6	6	0	1	0		2	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,374</b>	<b>6,924</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>3,676</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>13,209</b>	<b>1,709</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>2,468</b>	<b>81,208</b>

<sup>2)</sup> Previously toys were classified in Section 20

**I.b.4. Import of goods to Free Zone Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2010 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2010	V x1000 Afl.							
	Import to Free Zone Aruba							
	United Kingdom	Colombia	Paraguay	Uruguay	United States	Netherlands	Mexico	Rest of the world
02 Vegetable products								377
04 Food products	30,811	12,076	4,150	2,691	119		428	308
15 Base metals and derivated works					13	3		
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)					1,081	1,250		186
17 Transport equipment					118			79
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment					0			1
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,811</b>	<b>12,076</b>	<b>4,150</b>	<b>2,691</b>	<b>1,331</b>	<b>1,253</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>951</b>

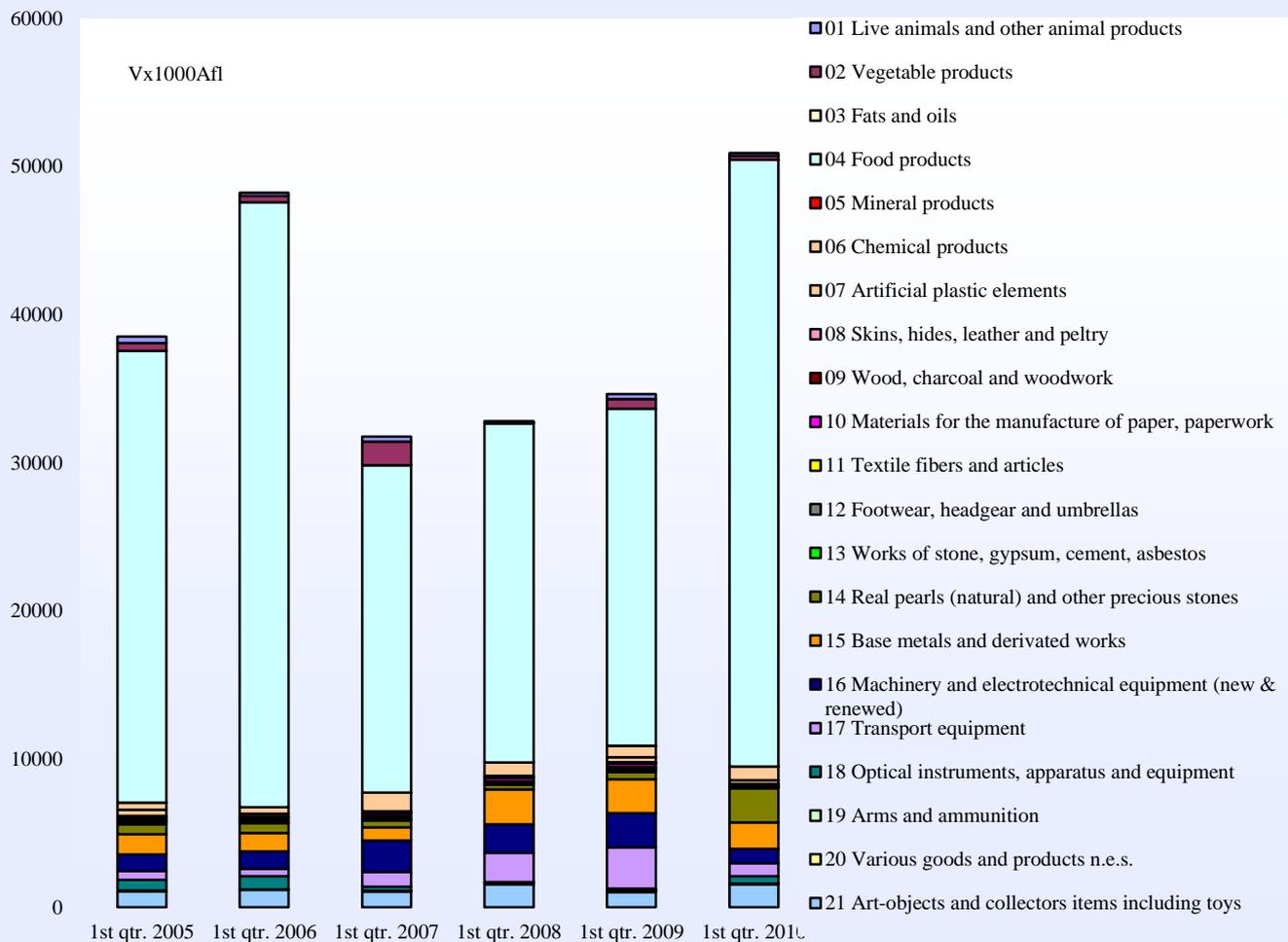
Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2010	W x1000 Kg.							
	Import to Free Zone Aruba							
	United Kingdom	Colombia	Paraguay	Uruguay	United States	Netherlands	Mexico	Rest of the world
02 Vegetable products								130
04 Food products	1,166	702	206	193	7		65	82
15 Base metals and derivated works					0	0		
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)					65	96		5
17 Transport equipment					6			8
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment					-			-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,166</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>225</b>

**I.c.1 Export of goods from Aruba by sections over the first quarter of 2009 and 2010 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2009-2010	V x1000 Afl.					
	1st qtr. 2009			1st qtr. 2010		
	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	347		347	179		179
02 Vegetable products	57	589	646	41	239	280
03 Fats and oils				2		2
04 Food products	544	22,215	22,759	883	40,071	40,954
05 Mineral products	31		31	14		14
06 Chemical products	736	13	749	925	1	926
07 Artificial plastic elements	180	158	338	132	101	234
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	37	0	38	0	0	1
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	9		9	6		6
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	207	23	230	83	4	87
11 Textile fibers and articles	133	5	138	104	2	105
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	17	64	81	3	2	4
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	47	112	159	38	56	94
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	500		500	2,311		2,311
15 Base metals and derivated works	2,279	0	2,279	1,772	12	1,784
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	2,316		2,316	970	5	976
17 Transport equipment	2,774		2,774	875		875
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	129		129	502		502
19 Arms and ammunition	3		3	1		1
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	97		97	44	2	46
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys	1,034	2	1,035	1,534	7	1,541

2) Previously toys were classified in Section 20

Total Export of goods from Aruba by sections for the first quarter of 2005 till 2010





**I.c.2. Export of goods from Aruba by sections for the years 2005 till 2008 and over the quarters of 2009 and 2010**

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 2005	1,596		1,596	234		234
Year 2006	1,227		1,227	153		153
Year 2007	1,104		1,104	133		133
Year 2008	716		716	84		84
1st qtr. 2009	347		347	53		53
2nd qtr. 2009	144		144	20		20
3rd qtr. 2009	77		77	13		13
4th qtr. 2009	184		184	18		18
1st qtr. 2010	179		179	12		12

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 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
Year 2008	152	2,632	2,784	56	4,187	4,243
1st qtr. 2009	57	589	646	41	1,309	1,350
2nd qtr. 2009	7	500	507	1	1,563	1,563
3rd qtr. 2009	30	742	772	6	2,196	2,202
4th qtr. 2009	38	146	184	4	405	409
1st qtr. 2010	41	239	280	4	833	837

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 2005	1		1	0		0
Year 2006	0		0	0		0
Year 2007	5		5	1		1
Year 2008	43		43	4		4
1st qtr. 2009						
2nd qtr. 2009						
3rd qtr. 2009						
4th qtr. 2009	0		0	0		0
1st qtr. 2010	2		2	1		1

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 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
Year 2008	2,544	119,326	121,870	1,128	7,289	8,418
1st qtr. 2009	544	22,215	22,759	271	1,755	2,026
2nd qtr. 2009	457	35,842	36,299	191	8,825	9,016
3rd qtr. 2009	646	51,402	52,048	317	3,943	4,260
4th qtr. 2009	652	70,565	71,217	312	4,559	4,871
1st qtr. 2010	883	40,071	40,954	530	2,248	2,778

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 2005	0		0	0		0
Year 2006	0		0	0		0
Year 2007	6		6	7		7
Year 2008	153		153	2,456		2,456
1st qtr. 2009	31		31	803		803
2nd qtr. 2009	0		0	0		0
3rd qtr. 2009	7		7	31		31
4th qtr. 2009	23		23	63		63
1st qtr. 2010	14		14	10		10

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 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
Year 2008	3,298	18	3,316	514	1	514
1st qtr. 2009	736	13	749	31	0	31
2nd qtr. 2009	2,102	10	2,112	63	0	63
3rd qtr. 2009	1,185	63	1,248	133	1	135
4th qtr. 2009	1,260	1	1,261	65	0	66
1st qtr. 2010	925	1	926	154	0	154

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 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
Year 2008	483	124	606	123	6	129
1st qtr. 2009	180	158	338	9	19	28
2nd qtr. 2009	864	488	1,352	84	33	117
3rd qtr. 2009	270	51	321	22	6	29
4th qtr. 2009	148		148	9		9
1st qtr. 2010	132	101	234	14	10	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 2005	207	18	225	4	1	5
Year 2006	136	9	146	4	0	4
Year 2007	349	1	350	7	0	7
Year 2008	117	9	126	4	0	4
1st qtr. 2009	37	0	38	1	0	1
2nd qtr. 2009	491	1	491	2	0	2
3rd qtr. 2009	115	1	116	4	0	4
4th qtr. 2009	566	0	566	2	0	2
1st qtr. 2010	0	0	0	0	0	0

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 2005	163		163	19		19
Year 2006	291		291	41		41
Year 2007	585		585	151		151
Year 2008	132	0	133	34	0	34
1st qtr. 2009	9		9	92		92
2nd qtr. 2009	10		10	1		1
3rd qtr. 2009	62		62	10		10
4th qtr. 2009	57		57	5		5
1st qtr. 2010	6		6	1		1

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 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
Year 2008	509	73	581	2,623	2	2,624
1st qtr. 2009	207	23	230	754	1	754
2nd qtr. 2009	250	15	264	775	0	775
3rd qtr. 2009	297	25	323	947	0	947
4th qtr. 2009	174	28	202	734	0	735
1st qtr. 2010	83	4	87	755	3	758

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 2005	814	75	888	72	1	73
Year 2006	703	65	768	85	1	87
Year 2007	791	16	807	93	0	93
Year 2008	491	55	546	59	1	60
1st qtr. 2009	133	5	138	11	0	11
2nd qtr. 2009	161	18	179	16	0	16
3rd qtr. 2009	119	9	127	17	0	17
4th qtr. 2009	403	38	441	23	1	23
1st qtr. 2010	104	2	105	13	0	14

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 2005	86	292	378	2	7	9
Year 2006	58	227	285	1	5	6
Year 2007	47	303	350	1	6	7
Year 2008	33	377	410	1	7	8
1st qtr. 2009	17	64	81	0	1	1
2nd qtr. 2009	9	159	168	0	3	3
3rd qtr. 2009	57	113	169	1	2	2
4th qtr. 2009	47	155	201	1	2	3
1st qtr. 2010	3	2	4	0	0	0

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 2005	403		403	110		110
Year 2006	373	102	476	58	26	84
Year 2007	355	48	403	345	3	348
Year 2008	513	409	922	768	79	847
1st qtr. 2009	47	112	159	3	19	22
2nd qtr. 2009	115	268	384	31	31	62
3rd qtr. 2009	40	312	351	2	32	34
4th qtr. 2009	124	0	124	28	0	28
1st qtr. 2010	38	56	94	12	13	25

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 2005	3,104		3,104	1		1
Year 2006	1,781		1,781	1		1
Year 2007	2,362		2,362	3		3
Year 2008	4,940		4,940	1		1
1st qtr. 2009	500		500	0		0
2nd qtr. 2009	310		310	0		0
3rd qtr. 2009	399		399	0		0
4th qtr. 2009	1,188		1,188	0		0
1st qtr. 2010	2,311		2,311	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 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
Year 2008	10,701	10	10,712	4,402	1	4,404
1st qtr. 2009	2,279	0	2,279	994	0	994
2nd qtr. 2009	1,715		1,715	1,229		1,229
3rd qtr. 2009	2,193	14	2,207	1,047	1	1,047
4th qtr. 2009	1,945	3	1,949	1,579	0	1,580
1st qtr. 2010	1,772	12	1,784	1,533	1	1,535

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 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
Year 2008	11,489	293	11,783	991	41	1,032
1st qtr. 2009	2,316		2,316	99		99
2nd qtr. 2009	1,993	3	1,996	99	0	99
3rd qtr. 2009	2,879	3,330	6,210	244	32	276
4th qtr. 2009	1,776	5	1,782	173	1	174
1st qtr. 2010	970	5	976	156	1	157

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 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
Year 2008	5,437	728	6,165	490	102	593
1st qtr. 2009	2,774		2,774	124		124
2nd qtr. 2009	2,201	22	2,223	161	1	162
3rd qtr. 2009	1,759	7	1,767	108	0	108
4th qtr. 2009	717		717	49		49
1st qtr. 2010	875		875	78		78

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 2005	1,645		1,645	13		13
Year 2006	1,559		1,559	19		19
Year 2007	2,939		2,939	17		17
Year 2008	821		821	14		14
1st qtr. 2009	129		129	1		1
2nd qtr. 2009	248		248	1		1
3rd qtr. 2009	307		307	3		3
4th qtr. 2009	314		314	4		4
1st qtr. 2010	502		502	0		0

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 2005	4	4	8	0	0	0
Year 2006		5	5		1	1
Year 2007	3	2	6	0	0	0
Year 2008	11		11	0		0
1st qtr. 2009	3		3	0		0
2nd qtr. 2009	10		10	0		0
3rd qtr. 2009	2		2	0		0
4th qtr. 2009	5		5	0		0
1st qtr. 2010	1		1	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 2005	448		448	87		87
Year 2006	208		208	39		39
Year 2007	345	0	345	62	0	62
Year 2008	865	2	867	95	0	95
1st qtr. 2009	97		97	7		7
2nd qtr. 2009	56		56	4		4
3rd qtr. 2009	82	3,735	3,817	16	39	55
4th qtr. 2009	154		154	16		16
1st qtr. 2010	44	2	46	3	0	4

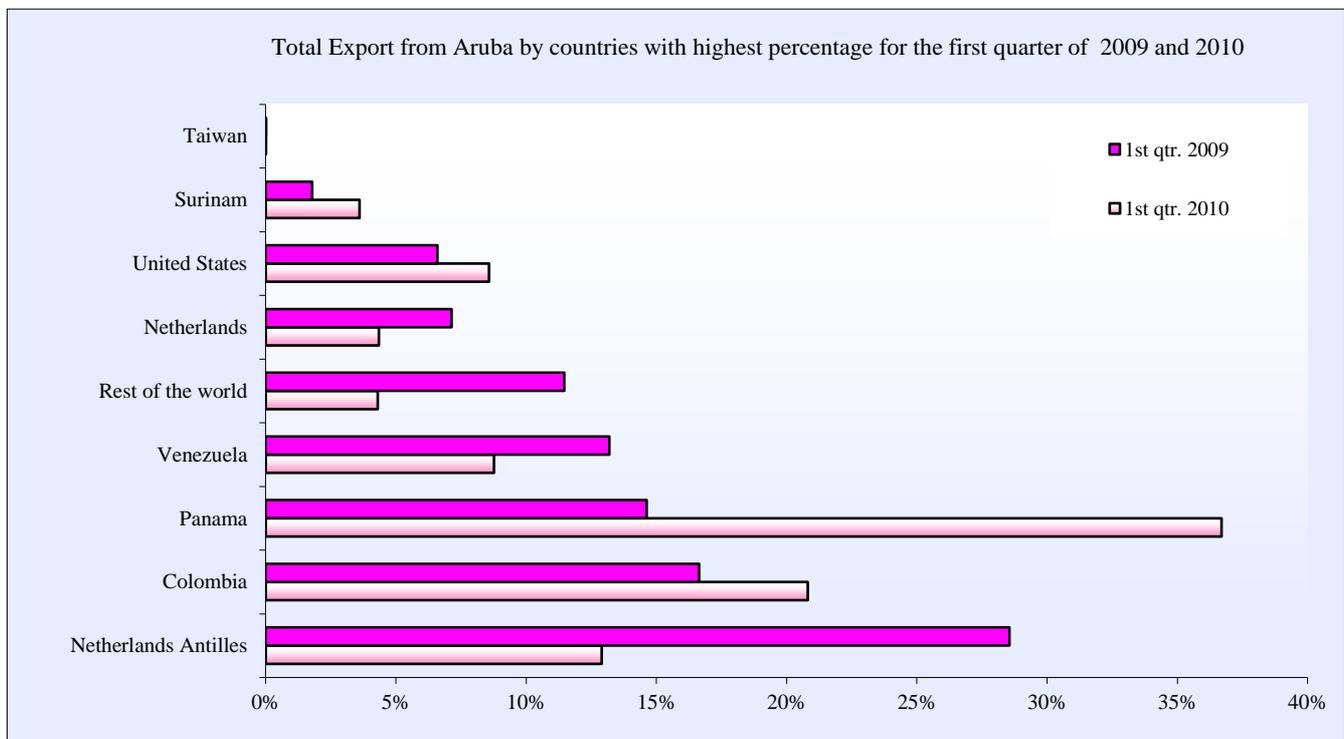
Section 21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys <sup>2)</sup>						
	V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	<b>Total Export</b>	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	<b>Total Export</b>
Year 2005	8,071	26	8,097	499	1	500
Year 2006	11,177	23	11,200	479	1	480
Year 2007	9,802	81	9,883	466	14	481
Year 2008	11,235	35	11,270	574	2	576
1st qtr. 2009	1,034	2	1,035	54	0	54
2nd qtr. 2009	2,871	9	2,880	120	0	120
3rd qtr. 2009	4,274	16	4,290	153	1	154
4th qtr. 2009	1,903	10	1,913	80	0	80
1st qtr. 2010	1,534	7	1,541	63	1	65

<sup>2)</sup> Previously toys were classified in Section 20

**I.c.3 Export of goods by the 8 most important countries over the first quarter of 2009 and 2010 (in value and weight)**

Export by country in value	V x1000 Afl.					
	1st qtr. 2009			1st qtr. 2010		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Panama	11	5,059	5,070	2	18,684	18,687
Colombia	211	5,555	5,766	69	10,530	10,598
United States	2,166	119	2,285	4,367		4,367
Venezuela	669	3,902	4,571	165	4,298	4,464
Netherlands Antilles	2,999	6,896	9,895	2,550	4,019	6,569
Surinam	31	587	618	164	1,671	1,835
Netherlands	1,929	545	2,474	1,761	452	2,213
Taiwan		5	5	0		0
Rest of the world	3,459	515	3,974	1,344	847	2,191
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,475</b>	<b>23,182</b>	<b>34,657</b>	<b>10,421</b>	<b>40,501</b>	<b>50,923</b>

Export by country in weight	W x1000 Kg.					
	1st qtr. 2009			1st qtr. 2010		
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Panama	0	226	226	0	870	871
Colombia	127	393	520	54	693	747
United States	174	16	190	326		326
Venezuela	77	230	307	51	247	298
Netherlands Antilles	442	281	723	738	325	1,063
Surinam	2	35	37	15	81	96
Netherlands	64	956	1,020	189	180	369
Taiwan		0	0	-		-
Rest of the world	2,462	967	3,429	1,968	714	2,681
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,349</b>	<b>3,104</b>	<b>6,453</b>	<b>3,341</b>	<b>3,110</b>	<b>6,451</b>



**I.c.4. Export of goods from Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2010 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2010	V x1000 Afl.							
	Export from Aruba							
	Colombia	United States	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Surinam	Netherlands	Taiwan	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	4	1	56	92		1		25
02 Vegetable products		0		5				37
03 Fats and oils				2				1
04 Food products	8	35	6	777	0	9		47
05 Mineral products		14						
06 Chemical products		34	1	807	0	1		82
07 Artificial plastic elements	2	65	7	47	1	10		0
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	0		0					0
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	0	1		0		4		0
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	0	19		13		0	37	13
11 Textile fibers and articles	7	12	1	53	3	11		17
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas		0	0	1		0		1
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	0	0	0	31		3		5
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	0	2,216		56				39
15 Base metals and derivated works	16	902	14	110		112	234	385
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	11	318	41	220	10	221		149
17 Transport equipment	17	377	31	216	132	84		18
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment		128	1	24	0	345		3
19 Arms and ammunition	1							
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	1	10	1	17		0		16
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys2)	0	235	6	81	18	960		235
<b>Total</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>4,367</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>2,550</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>1,761</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>1,075</b>

2) Previously toys were classified in Section 20

Section (0..21) by weight for the first quarter of 2010	W x1000 Kg.							
	Export from Aruba							
	Colombia	United States	Venezuela	Antilles	Surinam	Netherlands	Taiwan	world
01 Live animals and other animal products	1	0	8	2		-		2
02 Vegetable products		0		1				4
03 Fats and oils				1				0
04 Food products	1	5	1	507	0	1		15
05 Mineral products		10						
06 Chemical products		1	0	142	0	0		12
07 Artificial plastic elements	0	2	1	7	0	4		0
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	-		-					0
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	0	0		0		0		1
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	1	3		1		0	590	160
11 Textile fibers and articles	4	0	1	2	0	5		2
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas		-	0	0		-		0
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	0	0	0	3		0		8
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	-	0		0				-
15 Base metals and derivated works	30	259	7	24		131	760	323
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	11	2	27	10	1	26		79
17 Transport equipment	6	25	4	24	14	3		2
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment		0	0	0	0	0		0
19 Arms and ammunition	0							
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	0	0	1	1		-		1
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys2)	-	19	0	13	0	20		11
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>738</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>619</b>

2) Previously 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 2010 (in value and weight)**

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2010	V x1000 Afl.						
	Export from Free Zone Aruba						
	Panama	Colombia	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Netherlands	Surinam	Rest of the world
02 Vegetable products					57		182
04 Food products	18,684	10,527	4,147	3,988	395	1,671	659
06 Chemical products	0			1			
07 Artificial plastic elements			98	3			
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry				0			
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork		3		1			
11 Textile fibers and articles				2			
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas							2
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos			53	2			
15 Base metals and derivated works				8			3
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)				5			
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.				2			
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys2)	0			6			1
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,684</b>	<b>10,530</b>	<b>4,298</b>	<b>4,019</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>1,671</b>	<b>847</b>

2) Previously toys were classified in Section 20

Section (0..21) in value for the first quarter of 2010	W x1000 Kg.						
	Export from Free Zone Aruba						
	Panama	Colombia	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Netherlands	Surinam	Rest of the world
02 Vegetable products					158		675
04 Food products	870	693	226	317	22	81	38
06 Chemical products	0			0			
07 Artificial plastic elements			9	0			
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry				-			
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork		0		3			
11 Textile fibers and articles				0			
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas							0
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos			11	1			
15 Base metals and derivated works				1			0
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)				1			
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.				0			
21 Art-objects and collectors items including toys2)	0			1			0
<b>Total</b>	<b>870</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>714</b>

2) Previously toys were classified in Section 20

# Import to Aruba, Free Zone Aruba

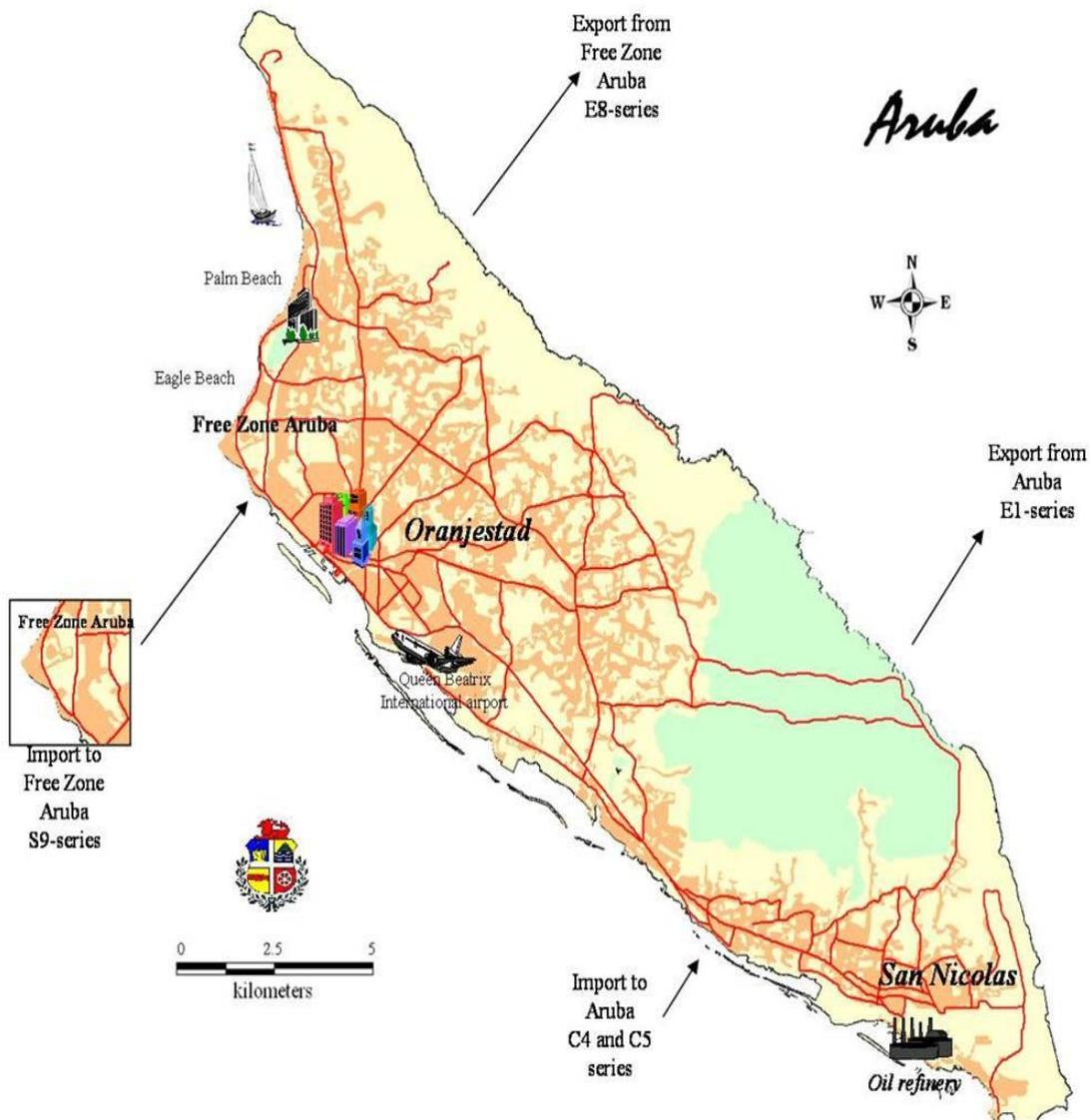
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# Export from Aruba, Free Zone Aruba

## 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 wich 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 Governer 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 wich mineral fuels (categorie 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) (Vx1000 Afl) quantities are expressed as net weight in thousand of kilos (Wx1000 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: Harmonized 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 woodwork**

- 09.44 Wood
- 09.45 Cork
- 09.46 Wattlework and basketwork

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

- 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

**Harmonized Commodity Group Codes  
Classificaton 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
- 20.96 Various works, brushware
- 20.98 Various works

**21. Art-objects and collectors items including toys<sup>2)</sup>**

- 21.95 Toys and games
- 21.96 Various works
- 21.97 Art-objects
- 21.99 Furniture to be removed

2) Previously toys were classified in Section 20