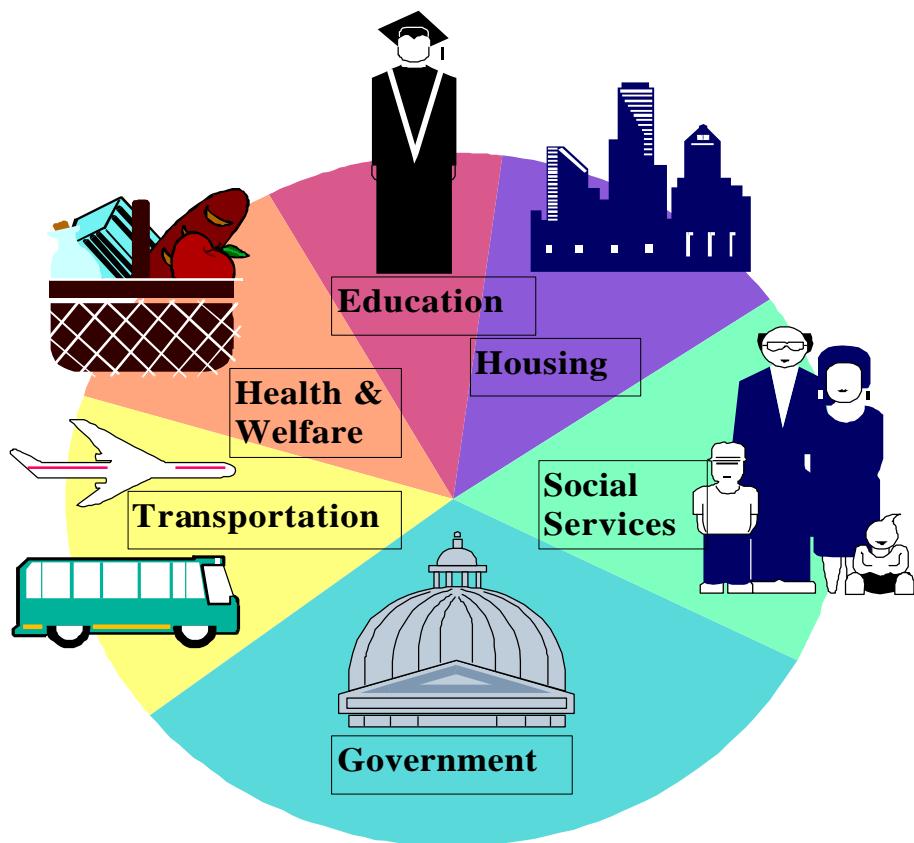


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GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF ARUBA



LOCATION

Aruba is located at latitude 12° 30' North and longitude 70° West and lies about 32 km (19 miles) from the northern coast of Venezuela.

Aruba is 31 km (20 miles) long and 8 km (5 miles) wide, with an area of 180 sq. km. The island is divided in 8 regions and each region is subdivided in several zones.

DENSITY

In 1998 the estimated density of the population was 519 inhabitants per km², as compared to 508 in 1997.

CLIMATE

The average and almost constant temperature is 28° C (82° F) with cooling north-east trade-wind. There are no tropical storms and hurricanes and the rainfall is very moderate.

LANGUAGE

Aruba's population of over 93,000 is made up of a mixture of people who came from all over the world to this island. Dutch is the official language with Papiamento being the local language. English and Spanish are also widely spoken.

RELIGION

The majority of the people are Roman Catholic (86%) and 3% of the population are Protestant.

POLITICAL STRUCTURE

Head of State is the Queen, represented by a Governor. The island is governed by an executive council consisting of 7 Ministers who are appointed by the legislative council. This council consists of 21 elected members of Parliament.

Aruba also has two Ministers Plenipotentiary abroad, one representing the island in the Council of Ministers of the Kingdom in The Hague and the other one in Washington.

On January 1, 1986 Aruba obtained its "Status Aparte" and became a separate part within the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

CURRENCY UNIT

The official currency is the Aruban Florin (AWG) which is pegged to the US Dollar at US\$ 1.00 to Af. 1.79.

1. CLIMATE

1. TEMPERATURE IN DEGREES CENTIGRADE, PRECIPITATION & HUMIDITY

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
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QUEEN BEATRIX INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ¹⁾

Average temperature ²⁾

1994	26.3	26.1	26.7	27.3	27.7	28.2	27.8	28.4	28.8	28.3	28.2	26.9	27.6
1995	26.9	26.8	27.2	28.0	28.4	28.9	28.3	28.9	29.4	28.2	28.2	27.3	28.0
1996	26.9	27.0	27.0	27.5	27.8	28.2	28.3	28.8	29.5	28.5	27.6	27.0	27.8
1997	26.4	27.0	26.8	27.8	28.6	28.9	28.7	29.0	29.9	29.5	28.8	28.3	28.3
1998	28.0	27.8	27.9	28.9	29.6	29.7	29.4	30.5	30.2	29.2	28.7	27.8	29.0

Total precipitation (in mm)

1994	28	35	2	11	0	7	29	12	4	71	19	43	259
1995	23	2	11	6	16	1	113	90	22	71	8	33	395
1996	43	9	1	1	9	5	27	3	2	82	73	34	290
1997	43	34	12	0	0	72	11	0	4	59	43	0	278
1998	4	0	0	4	1	6	40	6	28	122	27	121	358

Number of rain days ³⁾

1994	8	8	1	2	0	4	6	4	2	8	7	8	58
1995	6	1	4	3	1	0	5	6	1	7	3	7	44
1996	7	1	0	0	3	1	8	2	1	8	8	11	50
1997	11	9	4	0	0	8	2	0	2	5	5	0	46
1998	0	0	0	2	1	2	6	2	4	11	7	16	51

Average relative humidity (in %) ⁴⁾

1994	87	88	86	87	90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	88
1995	-	75	77	79	82	83	86	85	82	86	83	84	82
1996	81	80	79	79	83	82	83	82	82	85	86	80	82
1997	88	86	75	74	75	78	78	76	74	77	78	73	77
1998	76	77	79	80	82	83	79	73	74	78	76	80	78

Source: Meteorological Service of Aruba

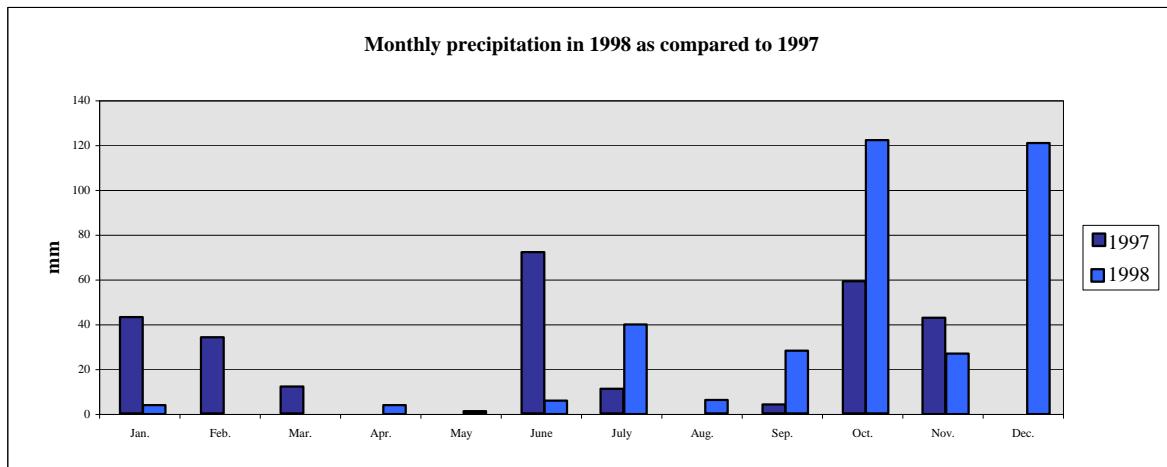
¹⁾ Before 1985 observations were made at Hato Airport, Curaçao, which was considered representative for the Leeward Islands (Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao).

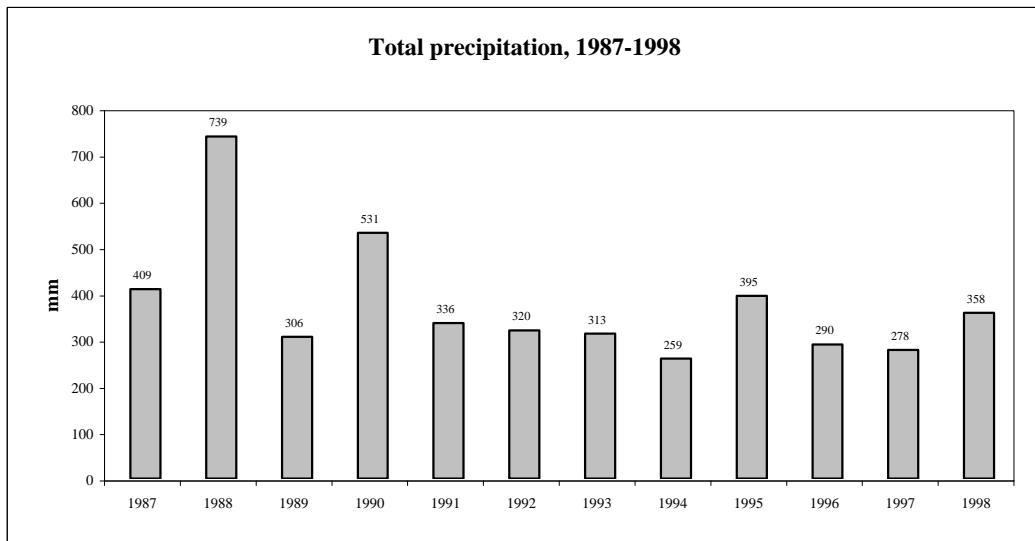
²⁾ Average of daily 24 hourly observations.

³⁾ Days with 1.0 mm or more precipitation.

⁴⁾ Average of daily 24 hours observations.

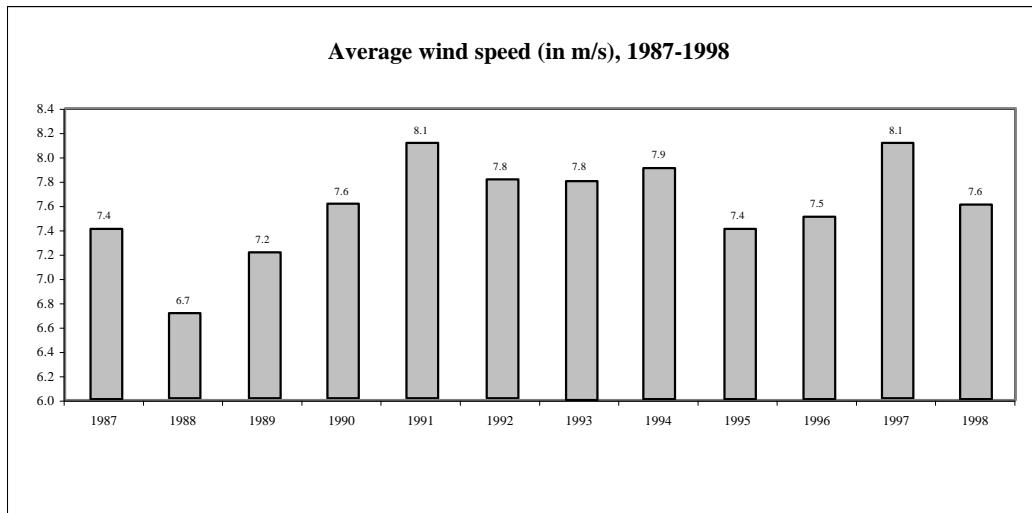
GRAPH 1A.



GRAPH 1B.**2. WIND, AIR PRESSURE AND DURATION SUNSHINE**

YEAR	Average wind speed (in m/s) ¹⁾	Maximum wind gust (in m/s)	Average wind direction ^{1) 2) 3)}	Average air pressure (in mb) ^{1) 4)}	Average daily duration sunshine (in hours and minutes) ²⁾
1994	7.9	20.0	82	1012	9:10
1995	7.4	20.0	85	1011	9:08
1996	7.5	20.6	83	1011	9:01
1997	8.1	21.1	88	1013	9:24
1998	7.6	22.6	.	1012	.

Source: Meteorological Service of Aruba

¹⁾ Average of daily 24 hours observations.²⁾ The observations were made at Hato Airport, Curaçao, which was considered representative for the Leeward Islands.³⁾ In degrees true North.⁴⁾ Atmospheric pressure reduced to Mean Sea Level (MSL).**GRAPH 1C.**

2. POPULATION

The population figures, presented here, are based on two sources:

- 1. The population censuses that were held in 1981 and 1991, and
- 2. The mutations in the population register, due to
birth, death, marriage, divorce, domiciliation and departure.

At the bottom of each table, we indicated the source of the data. The Population Censuses of 1981 and 1991 showed discrepancies with the population figures presented by the Registry Office.

In both instances, there were more persons registered than counted during the Population Censuses.

The discrepancies between the two sources are mainly due to underreporting of departure at the Registry Office. The Central Bureau of Statistics uses a statistical method to make corrections for the errors in the reported migration figures.

1. POPULATION, RATE OF POPULATION CHANGE AND DENSITY OF POPULATION

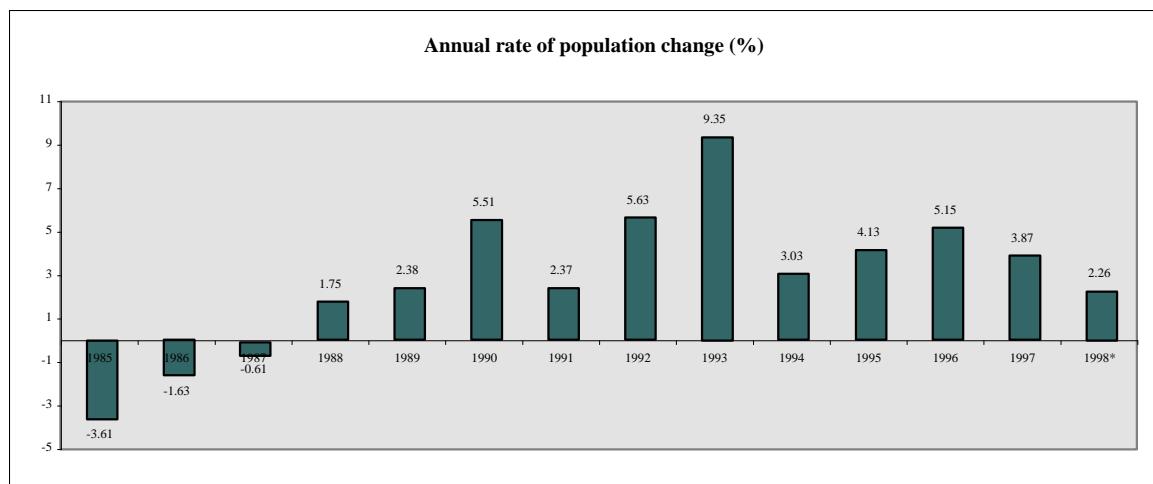
Year	Population ¹⁾	Males	Females	Annual rate of population change (%) ²⁾	Density of population ³⁾ (inh./km ²)	Males per 1000 females
1985	61361	29657	31704	-3.61	341	935
1986	60361	29200	31161	-1.63	335	937
1987	59995	29032	30963	-0.61	333	938
1988	61045	29532	31513	1.75	339	937
1989	62497	30249	32248	2.38	347	938
1990	65939	32262	33677	5.51	366	958
1991	67504	33245	34259	2.37	375	970
1992	71304	35232	36072	5.63	396	977
1993	77973	38761	39212	9.35	433	988
1994	80333	39977	40356	3.03	446	991
1995	83652	41591	42061	4.13	465	989
1996	87960	43684	44276	5.15	489	987
1997	91361	45350	46011	3.87	508	986
1998*	93424	46235	47193	2.26	519	980

Source: C.B.S. and Registry Office.

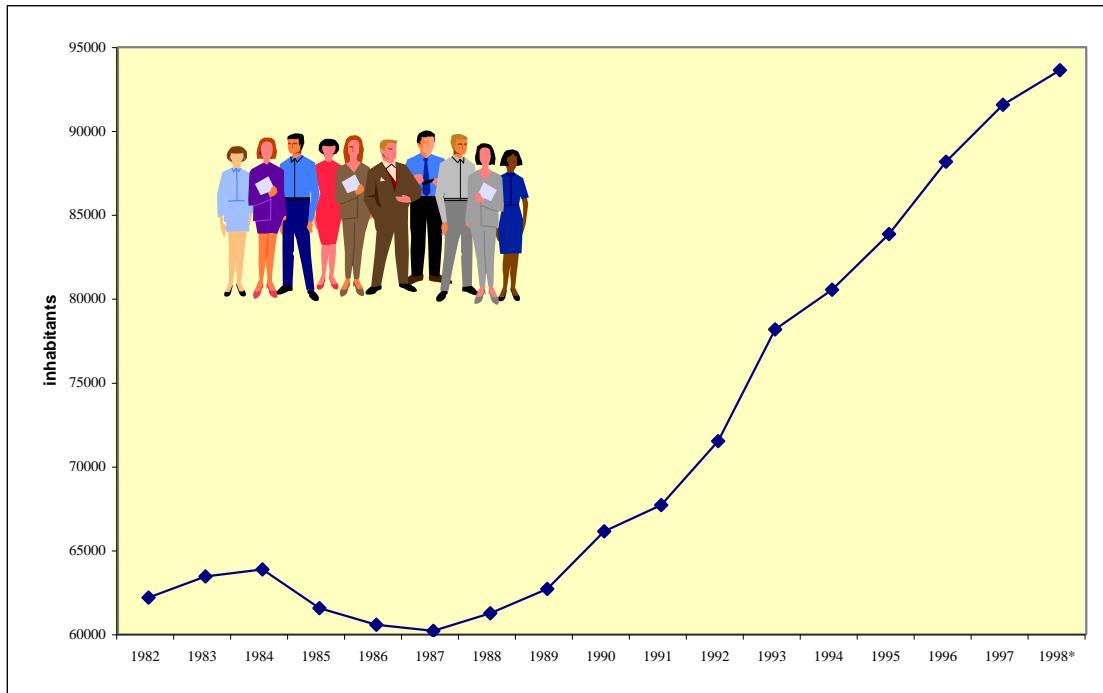
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- 1) The population of Aruba is based on the two Censuses -Febr. 1st., 1981 and Oct. 6, 1991-, and the mutations in the population registry, corrected for the migration growth.
- 2) The annual growth in percentage of the total population
- 3) Number of inhabitants per km². Area of Aruba: 180 km².

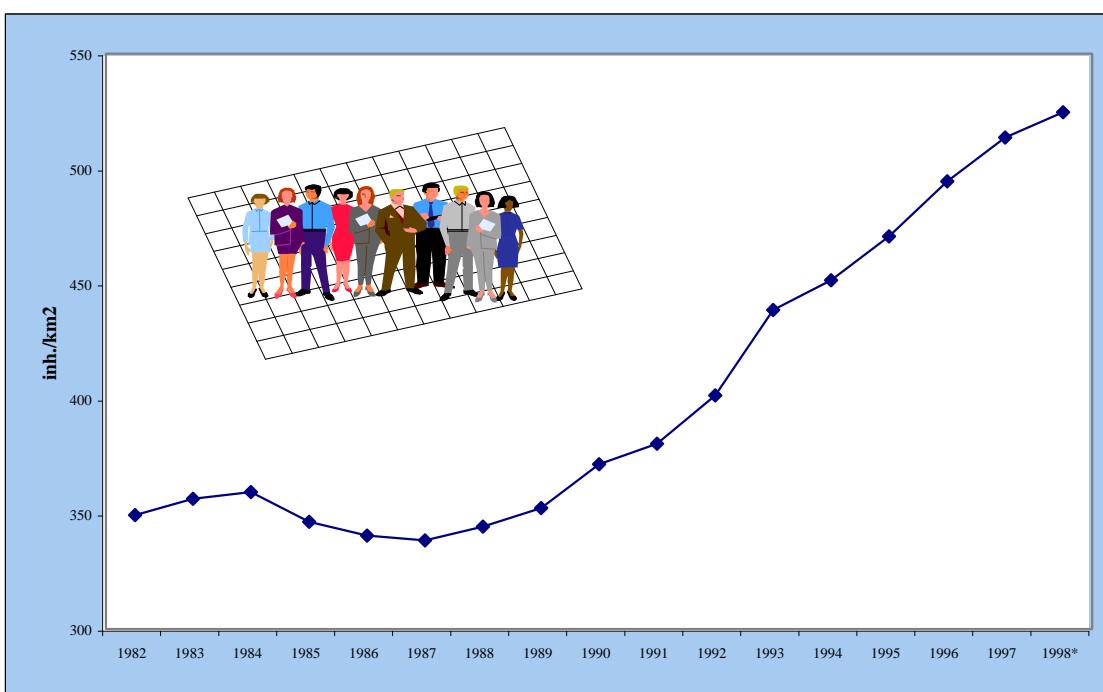
GRAPH 2A.



GRAPH 2B. THE EVOLUTION OF THE POPULATION OF ARUBA, 1982-1998*



GRAPH 2C. DENSITY OF THE POPULATION OF ARUBA, 1982-1998*



2. LIVE BIRTHS, DEATHS, BIRTH RATE²⁾ AND DEATH RATE³⁾

YEAR	Mid-year population ¹⁾	Live Births			Deaths			Birth rate (0/00)	Death rate (0/00)
		Tot.	Male	Female	Tot.	Male	Female		
1985	62760	1121	562	559	325	170	155	17.9	5.2
1986	61028	1023	532	491	374	192	182	16.8	6.1
1987	60192	1001	523	478	352	195	157	16.6	5.8
1988	60422	955	510	445	328	179	149	15.8	5.4
1989	61655	1141	548	593	367	215	152	18.5	6.0
1990	63509	1140	592	548	408	218	190	18.0	6.4
1991	67358	1157	620	537	425	240	185	17.2	6.3
1992	69337	1292	640	652	424	232	192	18.6	6.1
1993	74832	1337	689	648	402	218	184	17.9	5.4
1994	79007	1315	673	642	431	231	200	16.6	5.5
1995	81503	1419	736	683	504	286	218	17.4	6.2
1996	85911	1452	739	713	469	281	188	16.9	5.5
1997	89661	1457	771	686	497	290	207	16.3	5.5
1998*	92393	1315	664	651	505	302	203	14.2	5.5

Source: C.B.S. and Registry Office

1) Based on the number of inhabitants on June 30 of each year

2) The total live births per 1000 inhabitants (based on the mid-year population)

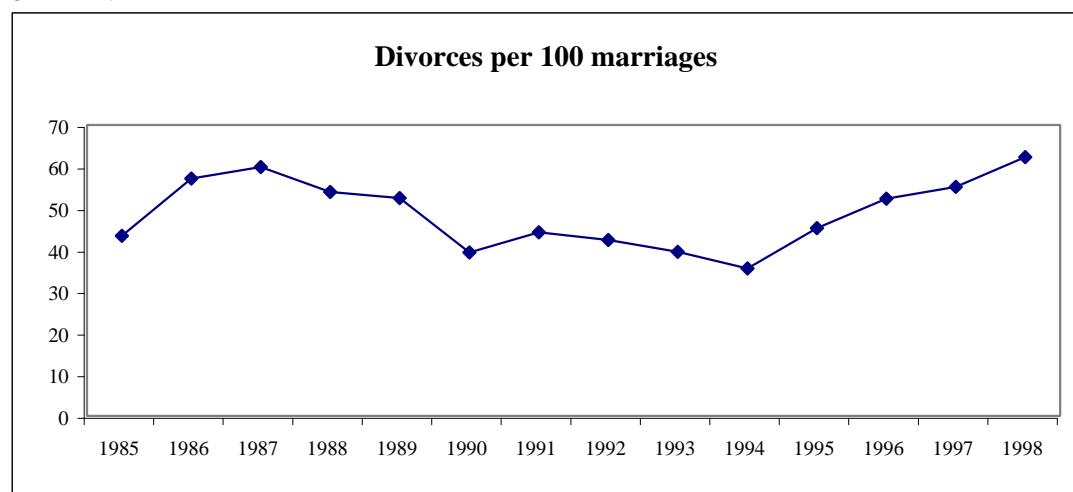
3) The total deaths per 1000 inhabitants (based on the mid-year population)

3. MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

YEAR	Marriages	Divorces	Divorces per 100 Marriages
1985	431	171	39.7
1986	357	191	53.5
1987	380	214	56.3
1988	390	196	50.3
1989	443	216	48.8
1990	504	180	35.7
1991	515	209	40.6
1992	566	219	38.7
1993	643	231	35.9
1994	620	198	31.9
1995	591	246	41.6
1996	600	292	48.7
1997	592	305	51.5
1998	564	331	58.7

Source: C.B.S. and Registry Office

GRAPH 2D.



4. LEGITIMATE¹⁾ AND ILLEGITIMATE²⁾ LIVE BIRTHS BY AGE MOTHER

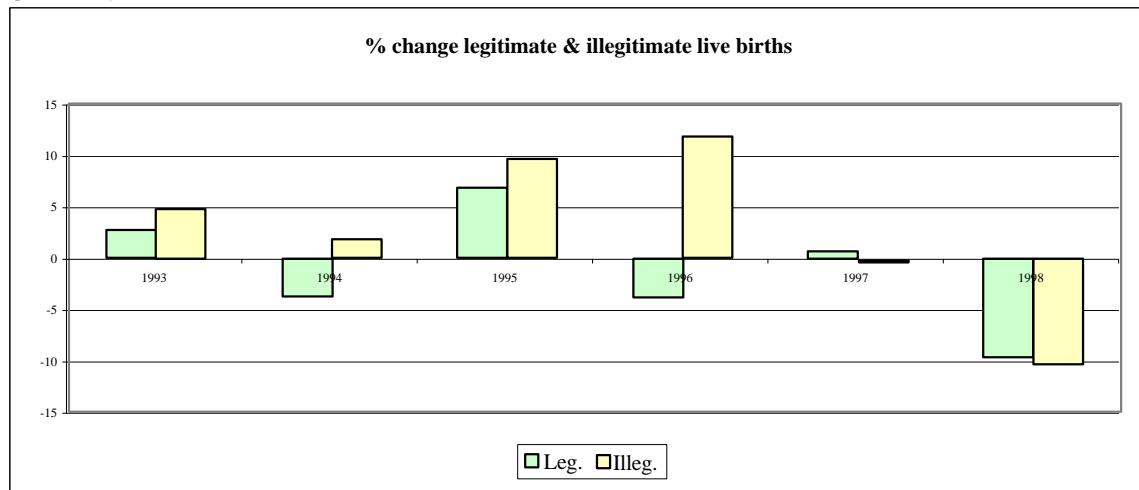
YEAR	AGE MOTHER											TOTAL								
	<15		15-19		20-24		25-29		30-34		35-39		40-44		45-49		>50			
	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.	Leg.	Illeg.
1992	0	2	40	78	172	132	261	94	229	111	102	44	12	15	0	0	0	0	816	476
1993	0	0	34	89	162	132	273	102	248	106	97	57	24	12	0	1	0	0	838	499
1994	0	1	22	92	168	145	250	123	242	96	95	40	29	10	1	1	0	0	807	508
1995	0	2	21	105	183	153	277	120	256	102	112	63	12	12	1	0	0	0	862	557
1996	0	6	20	102	154	166	271	138	255	129	115	70	14	12	0	0	0	0	829	623
1997	2	1	16	116	127	161	265	143	259	114	139	60	21	24	3	3	3	0	835	622
1998 ³⁾	0	0	10	97	112	171	251	112	259	99	100	61	22	18	1	0	0	0	755	558

¹⁾ Legitimate live births: children born of a legally married couple

²⁾ Illegitimate live births: children born outside marriage

³⁾ In 1998 2 cases of legitimacy unknown

GRAPH 2E.



5. AGE DISTRIBUTION

AGE	1997			1998*		
	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
0 - 4	3756	3489	7245	3778	3539	7317
5 - 9	3594	3411	7005	3671	3455	7127
10 - 14	3373	3200	6573	3448	3281	6729
15 - 19	2980	2803	5783	3098	2928	6026
20 - 24	3124	3007	6130	3156	3069	6224
25 - 29	3940	3859	7799	3892	3874	7766
30 - 34	4465	4410	8874	4446	4430	8875
35 - 39	4444	4437	8881	4482	4513	8995
40 - 44	3928	4028	7956	4036	4143	8179
45 - 49	3214	3334	6548	3335	3474	6808
50 - 54	2480	2651	5131	2626	2780	5406
55 - 59	1938	2146	4084	2025	2253	4277
60 - 64	1462	1681	3144	1518	1761	3279
65 - 69	1039	1225	2264	1084	1296	2380
70 - 74	698	875	1573	729	925	1654
75 - 79	419	602	1020	444	631	1075
80 - 84	253	411	664	259	431	689
85 - 89	136	250	386	141	257	398
90 - 94	63	124	187	53	130	183
95+	46	69	115	14	23	37
Not reported						
Total	45350	46011	91361	46235	47193	93424

Source: C.B.S. and Registry Office

(Detailed items in this table do not necessarily add up to totals due to rounding)

6. AVERAGE AGE OF THE POPULATION, DECEMBER 31

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total:	33.2	32.5	32.5	32.7	32.9	33.0	33.3
Males	32.5	31.5	31.6	31.9	32.0	32.2	32.4
Females	33.9	33.4	33.4	33.6	33.7	33.9	34.1

Source: Population Census1991 and Registry Office

7. LIFE EXPECTANCY OF THE POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX, 1991

AGE	MALE	FEMALE
At birth	71.10	77.12
1	70.87	76.68
5	67.05	72.80
10	62.41	67.99
15	57.46	63.02
20	52.56	58.06
25	47.78	53.18
30	43.25	48.36
35	38.50	43.42
40	33.99	38.68
45	29.69	33.88
50	25.25	29.40
55	21.41	24.61
60	17.43	20.43
65	13.73	16.60
70	10.41	12.24
75	7.98	8.91
80	6.03	5.99
85	4.56	2.63

Source: Population Census 1991 and Registry Office

8. VITAL STATISTICS

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998*
Live births	1337	1315	1419	1452	1457	1315
Deaths	402	431	504	469	497	505
Natural increase	935	884	915	983	960	810
Domiciliation	7279	3287	4094	4950	4007	3416
Departures	1545	1811	1690	1625	1566	2031
Net migration	5734	1476	2404	3325	2441	1385
Total population change	6669	2360	3319	4308	3401	2195
Live births:						
- number of boys per 100 girls	106.3	104.8	107.8	103.6	112.4	102.0
Number of illegitimate live births per 100 live births	37.3	38.6	39.3	42.9	42.7	42.4
Marriages per 1000 inhabitants	8.6	7.8	7.3	7.0	6.6	6.1

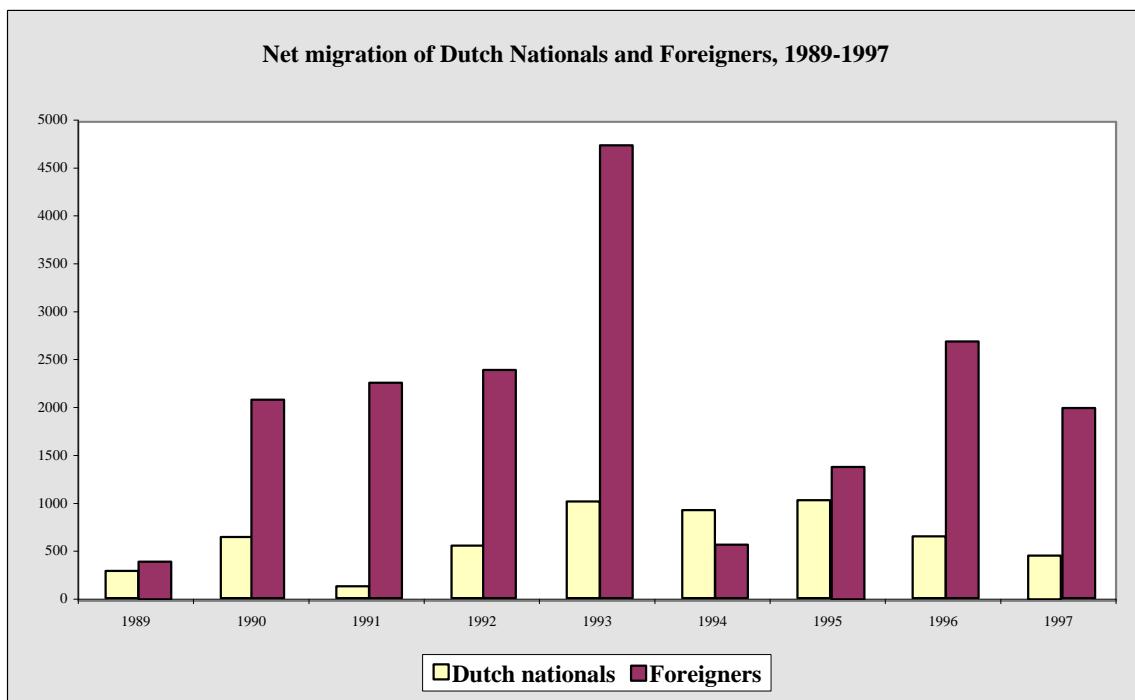
Source: C.B.S. and Registry Office

9. MIGRATION BY NATIONALITY AND SEX

	1993		1994		1995		1996		1997		1998	
	Male	Fem.										
<u>DOMICILIATION:</u>												
Dutch nationals:	1141	1045	1117	1097	1154	1151	986	932	872	869	.	.
Foreigners	2681	2412	538	535	829	960	1418	1614	1054	1212	.	.
TOTAL	3822	3457	1655	1632	1983	2111	2404	2546	1926	2081	1588	1828
<u>DEPARTURES:</u>												
Dutch nationals:	600	578	642	655	624	659	638	634	628	657	.	.
Foreigners	164	203	239	275	195	212	131	222	114	167	.	.
TOTAL	764	781	881	930	819	871	769	856	742	824	1008	1023
Net migration	3058	2676	774	702	1164	1240	1635	1690	1184	1257	580	805

Source: Registry Office

GRAPH 2F.



3. PUBLIC HEALTH

1. HOSPITALS AND CENTERS, NUMBER OF BEDS, OCCUPANCY RATE HOSPITAL

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
DR. HORACIO ODUBER HOSPITAL:						
Number of beds	279	279	279	286	307	305
Occupancy rate (%)	98.1	93.4	92.5	88.3	92.1	93.1
Average length of hospitalisation (days)	10.4	10.3	10.2	9.1	9.5	10.0
Admissions (x1000)	10.0	10.0	10.2	10.7	10.9	10.4
MEDICAL CENTER SAN NICOLAS:						
Number of beds	3	3	3	3	3	3

Source: Dr. Horacio Oduber Hospital

2. HEALTH PERSONNEL PER SELECTED OCCUPATIONS, DECEMBER 31

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
General Physicians	30	30	31	32	32
Specialists,					
of which: Anaesthesiologists	39	42	52	50	54
General surgeons	2	2	2	2	4
Dermatologists	3	3	4	5	5
Emergency physicians	3	3	3	2	2
Gynaecologists	5	5	6	4	4
Internists	3	3	3	3	3
Pediatricians	5	5	7	6	6
Thorax surgeons	3	3	4	3	4
Neurosurgeons	1	1	1	1	1
Neurologists/Psychiatrists	1	1	1	1	1
Psychiatrists	2	3	3	3	3
Ophthalmologists	1	2	2	2	2
Orthopaedic surgeons	2	3	3	3	3
Orthodontists	1	1	2	2	2
Radiologists	2	2	2	1	2
Traumatologists	1	1	1	2	2
Otorhinolaryngologists	1	1	2	2	2
Anatomical Pathologists	1	1	1	1	1
Urologists	1	1	1	1	1
Plastic surgeons			1	1	1
Cardiologist			2	4	4
Physicians employed by the Government	9	9	11	8	9
of which: Controlling physicians	6	6	6	5	5
School physicians	3	3	5	3	4
Other
Other physicians,					
of which: Controlling physicians - S.V.B.	5	8	10	8	8
Army physicians	4	7	9	7	7
Dentists	1	1	1	1	1
Pharmacists	23	23	18	20	21
Veterinarians	11	11	15	15	15
Psychologists	4	4	4	4	4
Midwives	4	4	4	4	4

Source: Department of Public Health

3. GERIATIC HOMES, DECEMBER 31

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
	NUMBER OF BEDS					
Huize Maria Stella - Savaneta	106	106	104	104	104	100
Verpleegtehuis Oranjestad	80	80	104	104	104	104
Verpleegtehuis San Nicolas	50	50	48	48	48	44
T O T A L	236	236	256	256	256	248

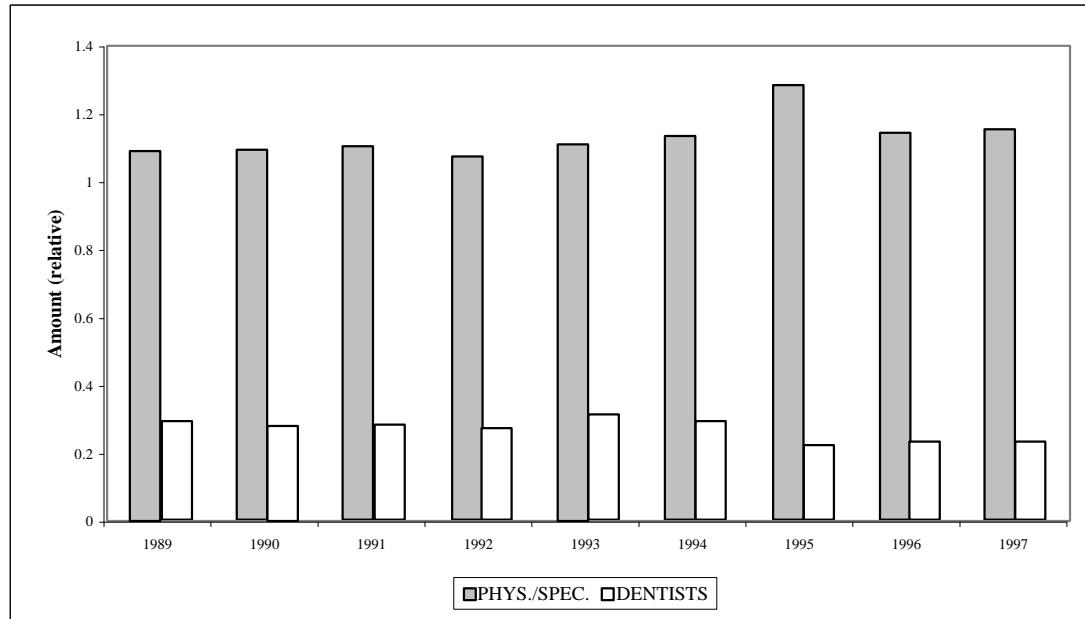
Source: S.A.B.A. (= Foundation for the care of the elderly)

4. PHYSICIANS/DENTISTS PER 1000 INHABITANTS & INH. PER PHYSICIAN/DENTIST

YEAR	MID-YEAR POPULATION	PHYS./SPEC. per 1000 inhabitants	DENTISTS per 1000 inhabitants	INHABITANTS per PHYS./SPEC.	INHABITANTS per DENTIST
1989	61655	1.09	0.29	920	3425
1990	63509	1.09	0.28	920	3528
1991	67358	1.10	0.28	910	3545
1992	69337	1.07	0.27	937	3649
1993	74832	1.11	0.31	902	3254
1994	79007	1.13	0.29	888	3435
1995	81503	1.28	0.22	784	4528
1996	85911	1.14	0.23	877	4296
1997	89661	1.15	0.23	870	4270

Source: Department of Public Health and C.B.S.

GRAPH 3A. PHYSICIANS/SPECIALISTS AND DENTISTS PER 1000 INHABITANTS



5. MORTALITY BY AGE AND CAUSE OF DEATH, 1992/1993

CAUSES OF DEATH	1992				1993			
	Male	Female	Not Registered	Total	Male	Female	Not Registered	Total
SYMPTOMS, SIGNS AND ILL-DEFINED CONDITIONS	13	18	0	31	61	42	0	103
COMMUNICABLE DISEASES	7	12	0	19	11	7	0	18
Intestinal infectious diseases	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	2
Tuberculosis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Certain diseases preventable by immunization	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Certain vector-borne diseases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Septicemia	2	3	0	5	4	4	0	8
Syphilis and other venereal diseases	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Meningitis	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Acute respiratory infections	5	6	0	11	2	2	0	4
Other infectious and parasitic diseases	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	2
NEOPLASMS	29	27	0	56	31	16	0	47
Malignant neoplasm of stomach	1	2	0	3	7	0	0	7
Malignant neoplasm of colon	1	4	0	5	2	2	0	4
Malignant neoplasm of digestive organs and peritoneum, other than stomach and colon	5	4	0	9	6	2	0	8
Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus and lung	7	1	0	8	0	1	0	1
Malignant neoplasm of respiratory and intrathoracic organs except trachea, bronchus and lung	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Malignant neoplasm of female breast	0	9	0	9	0	6	0	6
Malignant neoplasm of cervix uteri, and uterus, body and unspecified parts	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	1
Malignant neoplasm of prostate	5	0	0	5	5	0	0	5
Malignant neoplasm of bladder and other genitourinary organs	1	2	0	3	1	2	0	3
Malignant neoplasm of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissue	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	3
Other malignant neoplasms	7	3	0	10	5	1	0	6
Benign neoplasms, carcinoma in situ, and neoplasms of uncertain behavior and of unspecified nature	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	3
DISEASES OF CIRCULATORY SYSTEM	77	66	0	143	65	69	4	138
Acute rheumatic fever and chronic rheumatic heart disease	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hypertensive disease	8	4	0	12	9	16	0	25
Ischemic heart disease	34	20	0	54	15	18	0	33
Diseases of pulmonary circulation and other forms of heart disease	19	21	0	40	35	28	2	65
Cerebrovascular disease	12	20	0	32	1	5	0	6
Atherosclerosis	2	1	0	3	5	2	2	9
Other diseases of circulatory system	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
CERTAIN CONDITIONS ORIGINATING IN PERINATAL PERIOD	0	1	0	1	4	2	0	6
Maternal conditions affecting fetus or newborn	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Obstetric complications affecting fetus and newborn, and birth trauma	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slow fetal growth, fetal malnutrition and immaturity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hypoxia, birth asphyxia and other respiratory conditions	0	1	0	1	3	0	0	3
Hemolytic disease of fetus or newborn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other conditions originating in perinatal period	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
EXTERNAL CAUSES OF INJURY AND POISONING	23	3	2	28	20	8	2	30
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	6	0	0	6	5	0	0	5
Other transport accidents	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	1
Accidental poisoning	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Misadventures during medical care, abnormal reactions and late complications, and drugs and medicaments causing adverse effects in therapeutic use	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accidental falls	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accidents caused by fire and flames	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accidental drowning and submersion	3	0	0	3	0	2	1	3
Accidents caused by machinery and by cutting and piercing instruments	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Accidents caused by firearm missile	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other accidents, including late effects	3	0	0	3	1	2	0	3
Suicide and self-inflicted injury	6	1	0	7	3	0	0	3
Homicide and injury purposely inflicted by other person, injury resulting from operations of war, and injury due to legal intervention	1	0	0	1	4	1	0	5
Injury undetermined whether accidentally or purposely inflicted	2	2	2	6	5	3	1	9
ALL OTHER DISEASES	36	27	2	65	26	31	3	60
Diabetes mellitus	15	16	0	31	8	17	0	25
Nutritional deficiencies and anemias	1	2	0	3	0	1	0	1
Mental disorders	2	0	0	2	1	1	1	3
Diseases of nervous system, other than meningitis	2	1	0	3	1	1	0	2
Bronchitis, chronic and unspecified emphysema and asthma	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Other chronic pulmonary disease, pulmonary diseases due to external agents and other diseases of respiratory system	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	1
Appendicitis, hernia of abdominal cavity, and intestinal obstruction without mention of hernia	3	1	0	4	1	1	0	2
Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	3	1	0	4	1	1	0	2
Diseases of other parts of digestive system	4	1	0	5	3	4	0	7
Diseases of urinary system	1	4	0	5	4	4	0	8
Hyperplasia of prostate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congenital anomalies	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Residual	3	1	2	6	3	1	2	6
TOTAL	185	154	4	343	218	175	9	402

Source: Department of Public Health
Epidemiology and Research

6. NUMBER OF ACCEPTORS VISITS TO THE FAMILY PLANNING FOUNDATION

1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
5564	6531	6725	7178	6750	3727	3532	3684

Source: Famia Planea (= Foundation for the Promotion of Responsible Parenthood)

7. NEW ACCEPTORS OF CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS PROVIDED BY THE FAMILY PLANNING FOUNDATION

CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Oral	524	605	433	400	758	279	537
Injectable	33	38	54	44	78	50	90
Condom	355	409	427	402	259	364	401
I.U.D. ¹⁾	71	73	50	37	40	46	56
Sterilization	80	38	59	48	7	20	28
Other ²⁾	117	47	15	13	6	2	12
TOTAL	1180	1210	1038	944	1148	761	1124

Source: Famia Planea

¹⁾ I.U.D. = Inter Uterin Devise

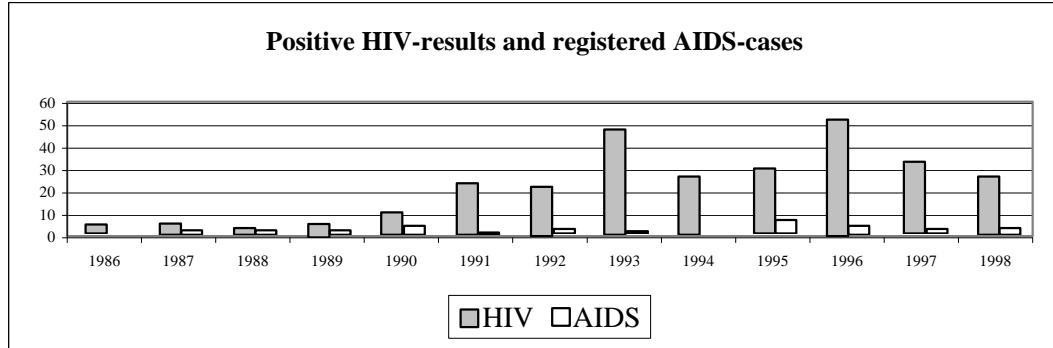
²⁾ Diaphragms, jellies and foams.

8. NUMBER OF POSITIVE H.I.V.-RESULTS AND REGISTERED AIDS-CASES

YEAR	Number of positive HIV-results	Persons who developed AIDS
1986	4	-
1987	5	2
1988	3	2
1989	6	2
1990	10	4
1991	23	1
1992	22	2
1993	47	1
1994	26	0
1995	29	6
1996	52	4
1997	32	2
1998	26	3

Source: Department of Public Health

GRAPH 3B.



4. HOUSING

1. ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS APPROVED

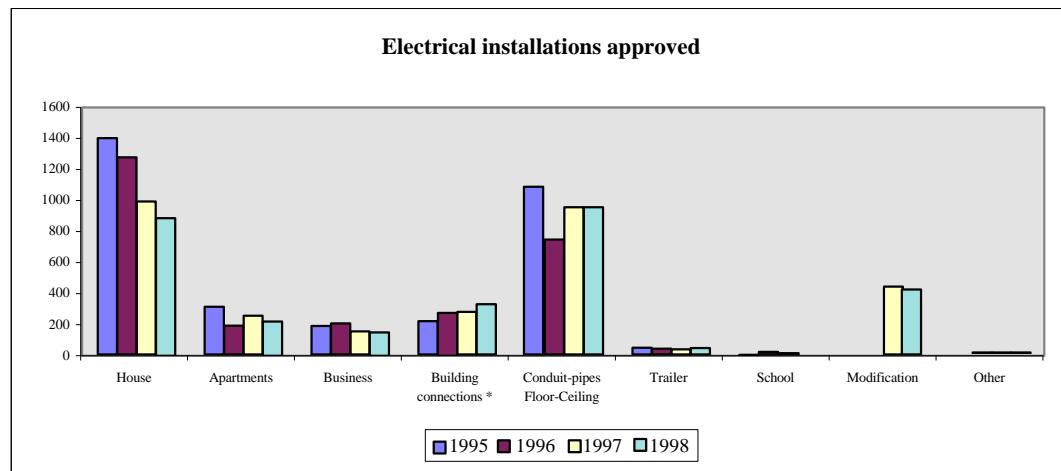
	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
House	1066	1394	1270	985	886
Apartment	285	308	186	250	220
Business	161	183	199	148	151
Building connections *	227	215	277	274	323
Conduit-pipes Floor-Ceiling	829	1080	740	948	949
Trailer	46	43	38	32	41
School	3	7	16	8	1
Modification **	-	-	-	437	419
Other	1	1	2	2	2
TOTAL	2618	3231	2728	3084	2992

Source: Department of Technical Inspection

* connection for building to be constructed or under construction

** modification of houses, apartments, businesses, schools, trailers and others

GRAPH 4A.



2. MORTGAGES GRANTED BY FCCA

	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Number	395	601	992	167	477
Amount x AF. 1000	27653.8	37311.1	58838.4	8046.1	35976.2

Source: Fundacion Cas pa Comunidad Arubano (FCCA)

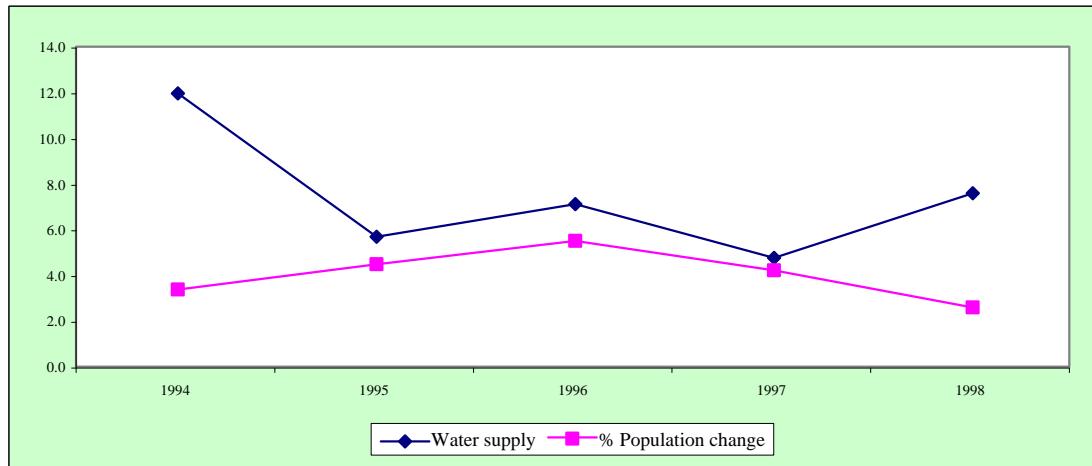
3. UTILITIES

	WATER SUPPLY		ELECTRICITY		GAS CONSUMPTION	
	Premises Connected	Delivered quantities ¹⁾ (x 1000m ³)	Generation MWh	Consumption MWh	Households LBS	Commercial LBS
1993	23630	7315.2	531257	423250	6252645	7377583
1994	24340	8164.1	564374	449277	6296611	7653631
1995	25373	8600.0	615578	499943	6295391	7913867
1996	26326	9182.1	642244	524641	6614215	8242773
1997	27180	9586.6	675210	551848	6928534	8677868
1998	28283	10280.2	729694	600767	6957993	8675176

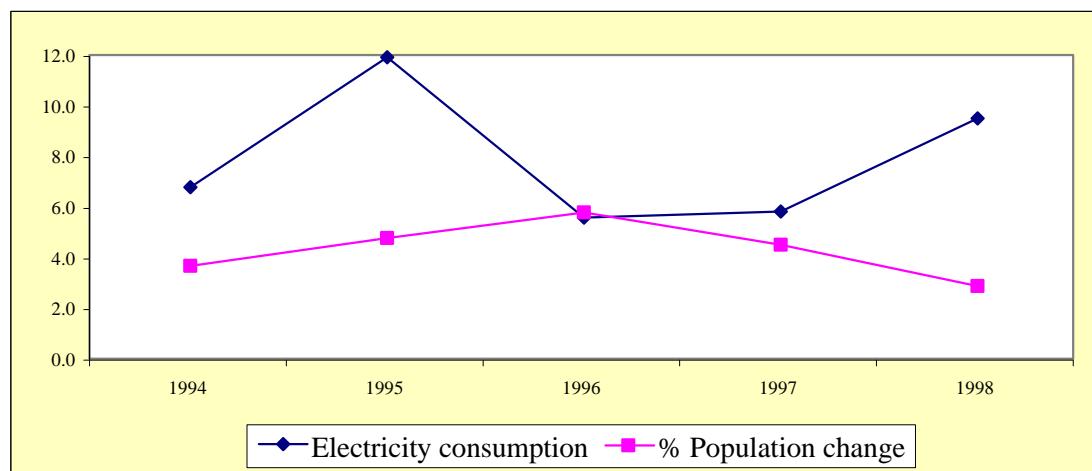
Source: W.E.B., Elmar & Arugas

¹⁾ excl. water supply to Coastal Aruba N.V. and vessels

GRAPH 4B. WATER-SUPPLY (% change)



GRAPH 4C. ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION (% change)



5. POLITICS

1. RESULTS OF ELECTIONS TO ISLAND COUNCIL (C) AND PARLIAMENT (P)

YEAR	NUMBER OF PERSONS WITH VOTING RIGHTS	NUMBER OF PERSONS WHO DID VOTE	% ¹⁾ OF TURN-OUT	VALID VOTES	INVALID VOTES	ABSTENTIONS
1971	27335 (C)	24011	88	23552	459	3324
1973	32938 (P)	29070	88	28588	482	3868
1975	34682 (C)	31257	90	30858	399	3425
1977	36953 (P)	31947	86	31561	386	5006
1979	38697 (C)	33198	86	32775	423	5499
1979	38938 (P)	32633	84	32315	318	6305
1982	42142 (P)	35963	85	35460	503	6179
1983	42716 (C)	36360	85	35898	462	6356
1985 ²⁾	43393 (C=P)	37033	85	36642	391	6360
1989	43054 (P)	36465	85	36032	433	6589
1993	45680 (P)	40240	88	39867	373	5440
1994	46848 (P)	39986	85	39566	420	6862
1997	52166 (P)	44741	86	44155	586	7425

Source: Registry Office

¹⁾ percentage of persons with voting rights who did vote on election-day.

²⁾ In the framework of the new constitutional status of Aruba, the Island Council elected on November 22nd., 1985, became the first Parliament of Aruba per January 1st., 1986.

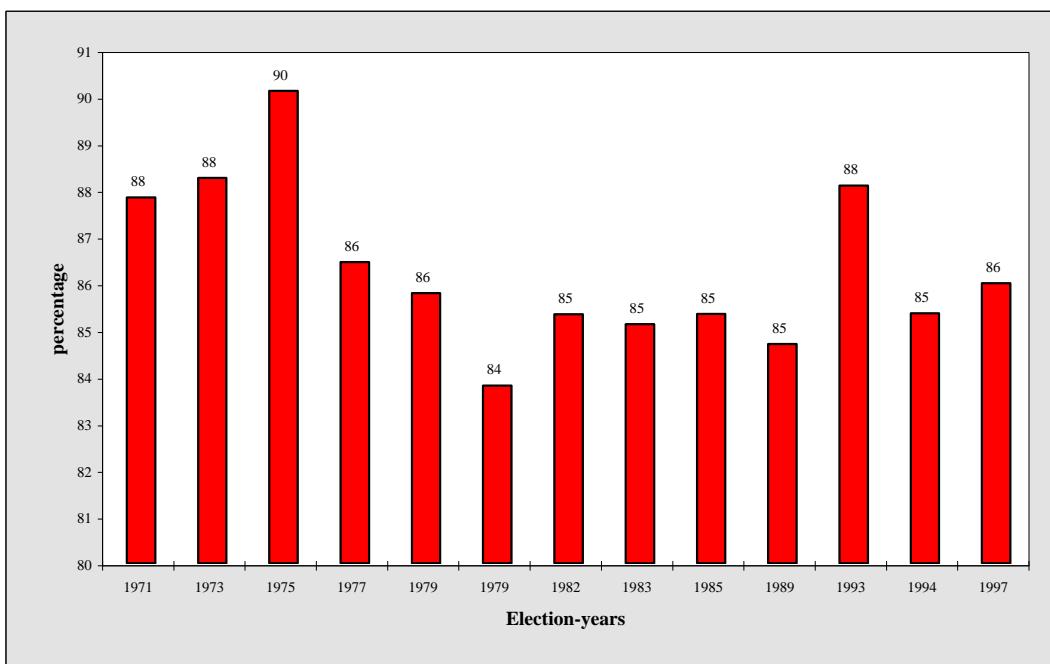
2. RESULTS OF ELECTIONS TO THE NEW PARLIAMENT ¹⁾ BY PARTIES

	AVP	MEP	OLA	PPA	ADN	PARA	MAS	PDA	PPN	CORONA	AD'86
VALID VOTES	1985	11480	13786		4499	3661			3661		
	1989	12668	16555		1772	2298			694	1874	
	1993	15621	14907	3056	2094	2314			403	1075	171
	1994	17963	15437	4415	1751					397	
	1997	19476	17358	3976	2052	1092	519	268			
IN %	1985	31.3	37.6		12.3	8.8			10.0		
	1989	35.2	45.9		4.9	6.4			1.9	5.2	
	1993	39.2	37.4	7.7	5.3	5.8			1.0	2.7	0.5
	1994	45.4	39.0	11.2	4.4					1.0	
	1997	43.5	38.8	8.9	4.6	2.4	1.2	0.6			
SEATS	1985	7	8		2	2			2		
	1989	8	10		1	1			0	1	
	1993	9	9	1	1	1			0	0	0
	1994	10	9	2	0						
	1997	10	9	2							

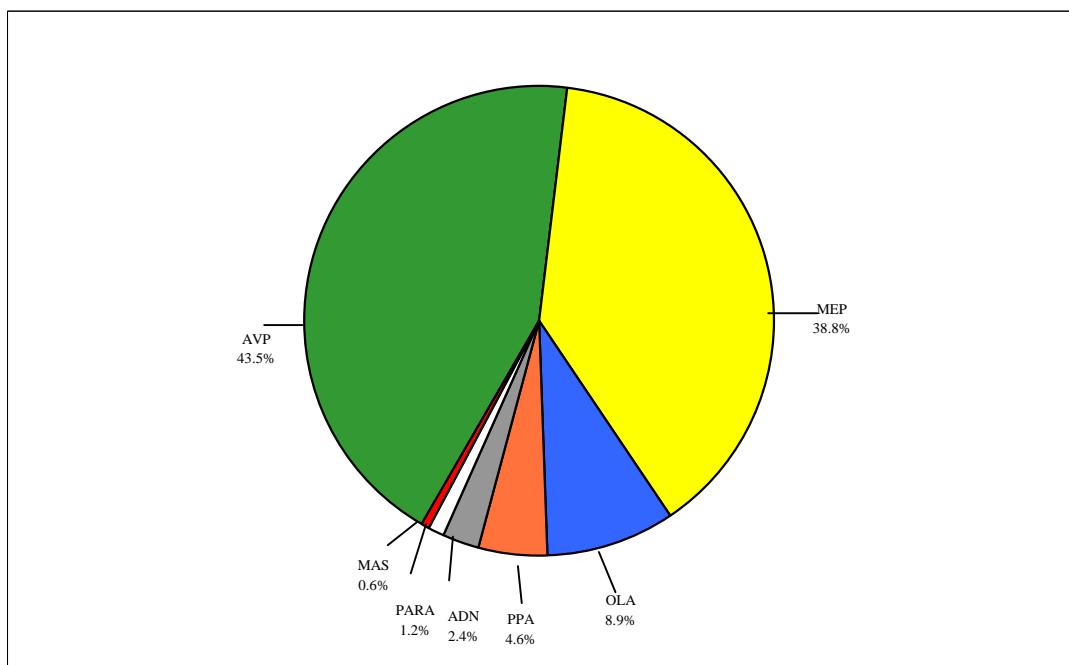
Source: Registry Office

¹⁾ In the framework of the new constitutional status of Aruba, the Island Council elected on November 22nd., 1985, became the first Parliament of Aruba per January 1st., 1986.

GRAPH 5A. TURN-OUT OF ELECTIONS TO ISLAND COUNCIL AND PARLIAMENT



GRAPH 5B. RESULT OF ELECTION TO PARLIAMENT BY PARTIES, 1997



6. EDUCATION

1. GENERAL FULL - TIME EDUCATION, SEPTEMBER, 1997

	NUMBER of SCHOOLS			NUMBER of STUDENTS						NUMBER of TEACHERS				TOTAL	STUDENT/TEACHER RATIO	
				PUBLIC		PRIVATE		TOTAL	PUBLIC		PRIVATE					
	PUBLIC	PRIVATE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE		MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE		
PRE PRIMARY LEVEL:																
Kindergarten	4	19	23	191	177	1107	1037	2512	-	17	-	76	93	27.01		
PRIMARY LEVEL:																
Primary education	5	28	33	664	660	3549	3493	8366	8	54	82	244	388	21.61		
Special education ¹⁾	1	3	4	83	49	84	55	271	2	17	5	24	48	5.65		
SECONDARY LEVEL:																
MAVO ²⁾	2	7	9	198	327	845	1023	2393	11	19	47	58	135	19.19		
HAVO/VWO ³⁾	-	1	1	-	-	592	917	1509	-	-	46	29	75	18.28		
LTO ⁴⁾	-	-	-	247	2	-	-	249	-	-	-	-	-	-		
LHNO ⁴⁾	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
ETAO ⁴⁾	-	-	-	14	48	31	81	174	-	-	-	-	-	-		
EPB	2	-	2	927	494	-	-	1421	84	66	-	-	150	9.12		
MIDDLE LEVEL PROF. EDUCATION ⁵⁾																
MTO	1	-	1	382	45	-	-	427	28	6	-	-	34	12.94		
MAO	1	-	1	77	223	-	-	300	14	11	-	-	25	12.45		
AHS	-	1	1	-	-	38	45	83	-	-	5	3	8	10.38		
CPS	-	1	1	-	-	6	155	161	-	-	10	19	29	7.79		
HIGHER LEVEL PROF. EDUCATION ⁶⁾																
IPA	1	-	1	25	128	-	-	153	10	16	-	-	26	.		
UNIVERSITY LEVEL EDUCATION ⁷⁾:																
UA	1	-	1	78	126	-	-	204	20	6	-	-	26	.		
TOTAL	18	60	78	2886	2279	6252	6806	18223	177	212	195	453	1037	.		

Source: Department of Education

¹⁾ Special Education is for naturally deficient children.

²⁾ MAVO = Academically oriented 4 years preparatory course to middle level professional education.

³⁾ HAVO = Academically oriented 5 years preparatory course to higher professional education, non - university.

VWO = Academically oriented 6 years preparatory course to higher education at university.

⁴⁾ LTO = Lower vocationally oriented technical education (3 years).

LHNO = Home economics/domestic science course (3 years).

ETAO = Economic, Tourism and Clerical education (3 years, with one year specialized training course).

EPB = Basic professional education; starting 1995 a new integrated system of lower level technical and vocational education is being introduced (EPB gradually substitutes LTO, LHNO and ETAO)

⁵⁾ NON - SUBSIDIZED INSTITUTIONS at SECONDARY LEVEL: Dr. Brown School and ISA (International School of Aruba).

⁶⁾ MTO = 4 years preparatory course to middle technical education.

MAO = Administrative and Secretarial 3 years preparatory course with one year specialized training for executive secretary to middle professional education.

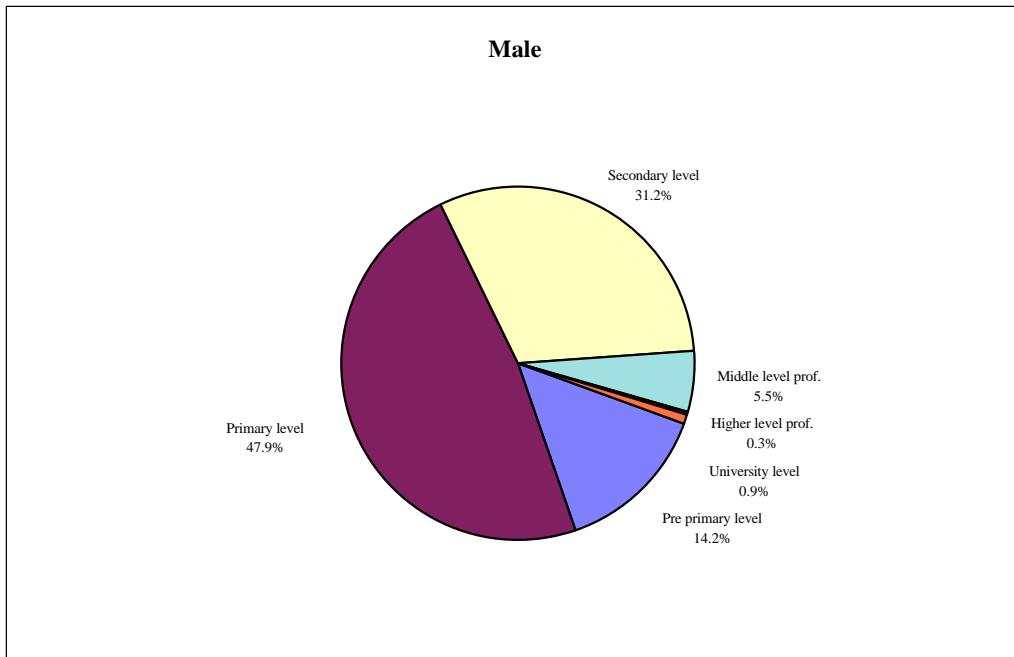
AHS = Aruba Hotel School.

CPS = Colegio Paso Sigur; school for human services

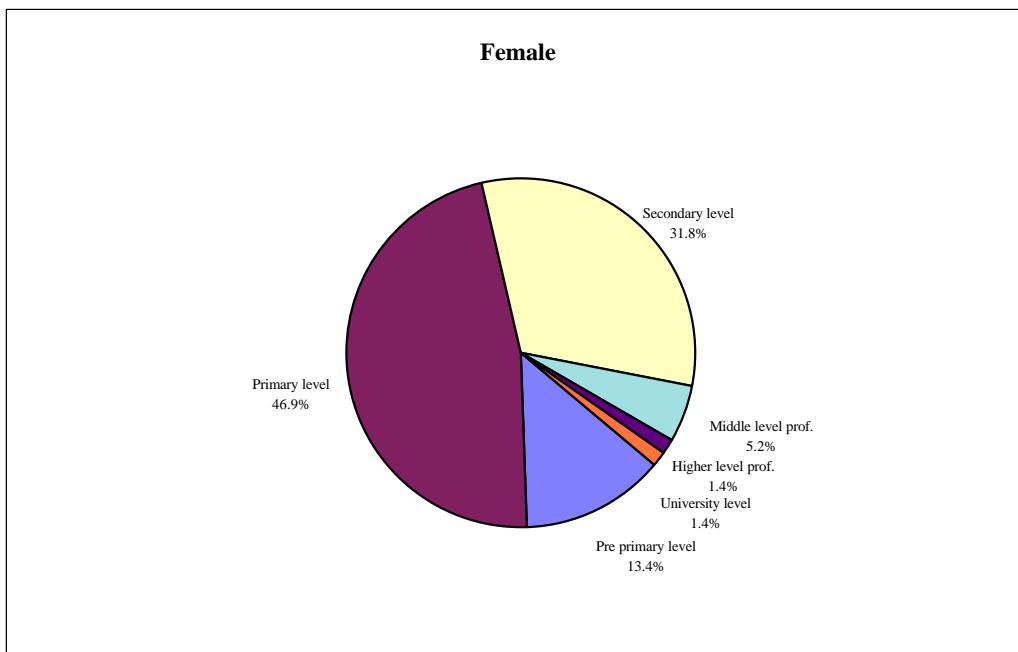
⁷⁾ IPA = Aruba Pedagogical Institute = Teacher Training College. A 4 years teacher preparatory course to higher professional education.

⁸⁾ UA = University of Aruba, a school of law and a school of Business Administration; course duration 4 years.

GRAPH 6A. RELATIVE NUMBER OF MALE STUDENTS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION, SEPTEMBER 1997



GRAPH 6B. RELATIVE NUMBER OF FEMALE STUDENTS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION, SEPTEMBER 1997



2. STUDENTS BY LANGUAGE MOSTLY SPOKEN AND LEVEL OF EDUCATION, SEPT., 1997

	PAPIA-MENTO	DUTCH	SPANISH	ENGLISH	OTHER
<u>PRE PRIMARY LEVEL:</u>					
Kindergarten	2091	99	162	144	16
<u>PRIMARY LEVEL:</u>					
Primary education	6303	500	884	551	128
Special education	223	7	16	23	2
<u>SECONDARY LEVEL:</u>					
MAVO	1848	216	120	191	18
HAVO/VWO	1030	285	54	111	29
LTO	206	5	12	24	2
ETAO	140	9	9	15	1
EPB	1069	32	165	123	32
<u>MIDDLE LEVEL</u>					
<u>PROF. EDUCATION</u>					
MTO	353	23	9	38	4
MAO	269	10	8	9	4
AHS	58	13	8	3	1
CPS	140	6	3	12	0
TOTAL	13730	1205	1450	1244	237

Source: Department of Education

3. STUDENTS BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE AND LEVEL OF EDUCATION, SEPTEMBER, 1997

	NOORD	O' STAD WEST	O' STAD EAST	PARADERA	SANTA CRUZ	SAVANETA	SAN NIC. NORTH	SAN NIC. SOUTH
<u>PRE PRIMARY LEVEL:</u>								
Kindergarten	554	235	397	212	402	265	261	186
<u>PRIMARY LEVEL:</u>								
Primary education	1585	879	1420	671	1345	756	811	899
Special education	45	27	41	21	52	25	22	38
<u>SECONDARY LEVEL:</u>								
MAVO	413	236	418	173	368	267	228	290
HAVO/VWO	282	157	330	91	225	187	117	120
LTO	39	19	38	13	33	39	32	36
ETAO	34	10	33	19	26	17	15	20
EPB	277	153	273	105	207	109	130	167
<u>MIDDLE LEVEL</u>								
<u>PROF. EDUCATION</u>								
MTO	73	44	69	30	79	53	40	39
MAO	54	32	61	19	52	32	22	28
AHS	12	11	18	8	6	9	9	10
CPS	18	13	31	14	31	13	20	21
TOTAL	3386	1816	3129	1376	2826	1772	1707	1854

Source: Department of Education

4. FINAL EXAMINATION STATISTICS

	SCHOLASTIC YEAR 1995/1996				SCHOLASTIC YEAR 1996/1997			
	NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	FAILED	PASSED	%	NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	FAILED	PASSED	%
GENERAL FULL - TIME								
EDUCATION:								
MAVO	487	140	347	71.3	471	129	342	72.6
HAVO	168	59	109	64.9	197	56	141	71.6
VWO	95	30	65	68.4	95	39	56	58.9
VOCATIONAL FULL - TIME								
EDUCATION:								
LTO	278	84	194	69.8	306	106	200	65.4
LHNO	106	21	85	80.2	76	8	68	89.5
ETAO	250	57	193	77.2	305	33	272	89.2
MTO	70	39	31	44.3	81	31	50	61.7
MAO	75	11	64	85.3	89	22	67	75.3
CPS	21	0	21	100.0	16	1	15	93.8
AHS	37	21	16	43.2	31	7	24	77.4
T O T A L	1587	462	1125	70.9	1667	432	1235	74.1

Source: Department of Education

5. LOANS FOR STUDY BY FIELD OF STUDY AND COUNTRY OF STUDY

FIELD of STUDY	SCHOLASTIC YEAR 1996/1997			
	Aruba	Curacao	The Netherlands	U.S.A.
Agricultural sciences, Veterinary, etc.	-	-	-	-
Engineering, Architecture, City - planning, etc.	6	6	20	16
Mathematics and Physics	-	-	1	-
Medical sciences, Biology, etc.	1	-	24	4
Economics, Management, Accountancy, etc.	35	8	36	15
Social sciences, Law, etc.	7	-	6	-
Humanities, History, Theology, etc.	-	-	3	-
Education, Pedagogy and Social services	37	-	37	3
Other	-	-	1	1
TOTAL	86	14	128	39

Source: Department of Education

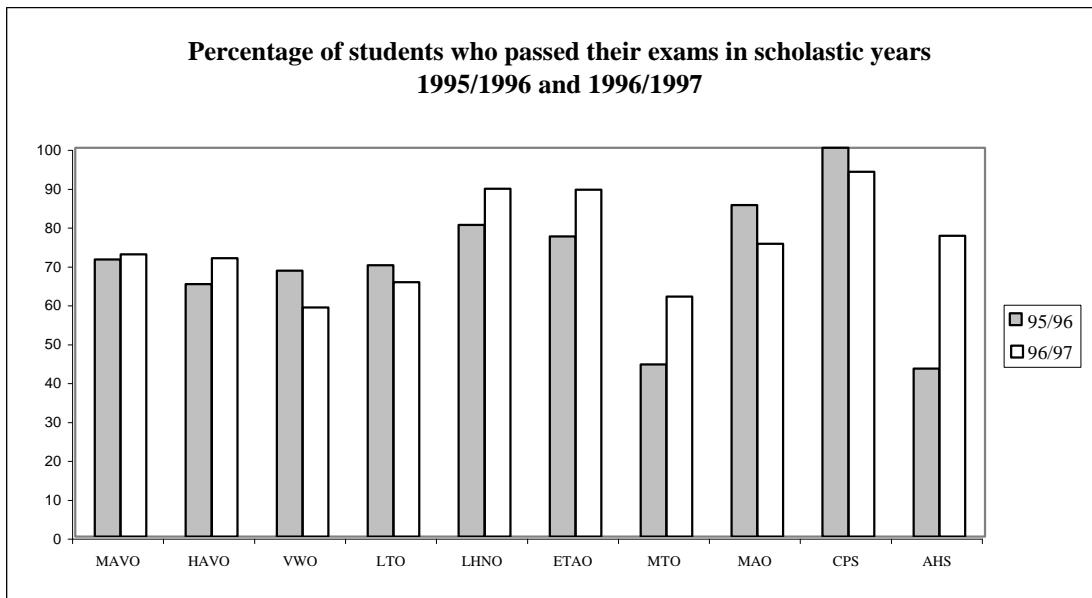
6. GRANTS FOR STUDY IN ARUBA AND ABROAD ¹⁾

	STUDENTS RECEIVING GRANTS						
	Jan. - 91	Jan. - 92	Aug. - 94	Mar-95	Mar-96	Mar-97	Mar-98
Agricultural sciences, Veterinary, etc.	10	8	3	1	-	-	-
Engineering, Architecture, City - planning, etc.	171	167	164	160	163	124	200
Mathematics and Physics	19	13	30	6	4	-	5
Medical sciences, Biology, etc.	197	190	171	144	155	117	147
Economics, Management, Accountancy, etc.	242	272	362	251	158	175	351
Social sciences, Law, etc.	96	93	87	65	69	42	79
Humanities, History, Theology, etc.	24	25	20	17	14	13	15
Education, Pedagogy, Social services, etc.	185	189	224	171	179	142	276
Other	13	15	17	21	17	8	13
TOTAL	957	972	1078	836	759	621	1086

Source: Department of Education

¹⁾ Grants supplied by Aruba and The Netherlands, for studies in Aruba, the Neth. Antilles, The Netherlands and elsewhere.

GRAPH 6C.



7. PUBLIC LIBRARY

YEAR	MEMBERS ORANJESTAD			MEMBERS SAN NICOLAS			BIBLIOBUS 0-14 yrs
	0-14 yrs	14-18 yrs	18+	0-14 yrs	14-18 yrs	18+	
1993	3299	1192	2178	1519	482	708	2596
1994	3292	1142	2083	1439	615	700	2398
1995	3114	1547	2958	1385	584	661	2452

YEAR	BOOKS LEND OUT			AVERAGE BOOKS PER MEMBER			NEW BOOKS
	Oranjestad	San Nicolas	Bibliobus	Oranjestad	San Nicolas	Bibliobus	
1993	141271	75468	28015	21	28	11	10512
1994	134403	71671	28782	21	26	12	8766
1995	130569	64107	27882	17	24	11	7366

Source: Public Library of Aruba

7. LABOUR

1A. EMPLOYED PERSONS BY SECTOR - ABSOLUTE

	1994	1997
Agriculture, hunting and forestry	68	198
Manufacturing	2163	2627
Electricity, gas and water supply	568	810
Construction	3825	3395
Wholesale and retail trade, repair	6366	7261
Hotels and restaurants	6461	6979
Transport, storage and communications	3055	3388
Financial intermediation	1500	1475
Real Estate, renting and business activities	2014	3159
Public administration and defense; social security	3933	4349
Education	1392	1351
Health and social work	1635	2080
Other community, social and personal services	2352	2973
Private households with employed persons	1379	1314
Extra territorial organizations and bodies	27	15
Not reported	54	126
Total	36790	41501

Source: Labor Force Survey 1994 and 1997

1B. EMPLOYED PERSONS BY SECTOR - INDEX

	1994	1997
Agriculture, hunting and forestry	100	291
Manufacturing	100	121
Electricity, gas and water supply	100	143
Construction	100	89
Wholesale and retail trade, repair	100	114
Hotels and restaurants	100	108
Transport, storage and communications	100	111
Financial intermediation	100	98
Real Estate, renting and business activities	100	157
Public administration and defense; social security	100	111
Education	100	97
Health and social work	100	127
Other community, social and personal services	100	126
Private households with employed persons	100	95
Extra territorial organizations and bodies	100	56
Not reported	100	233
Total	100	113

Source: Labor Force Survey 1994 and 1997

2. WORKING POPULATION BY BROAD OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY AND SEX (relative)

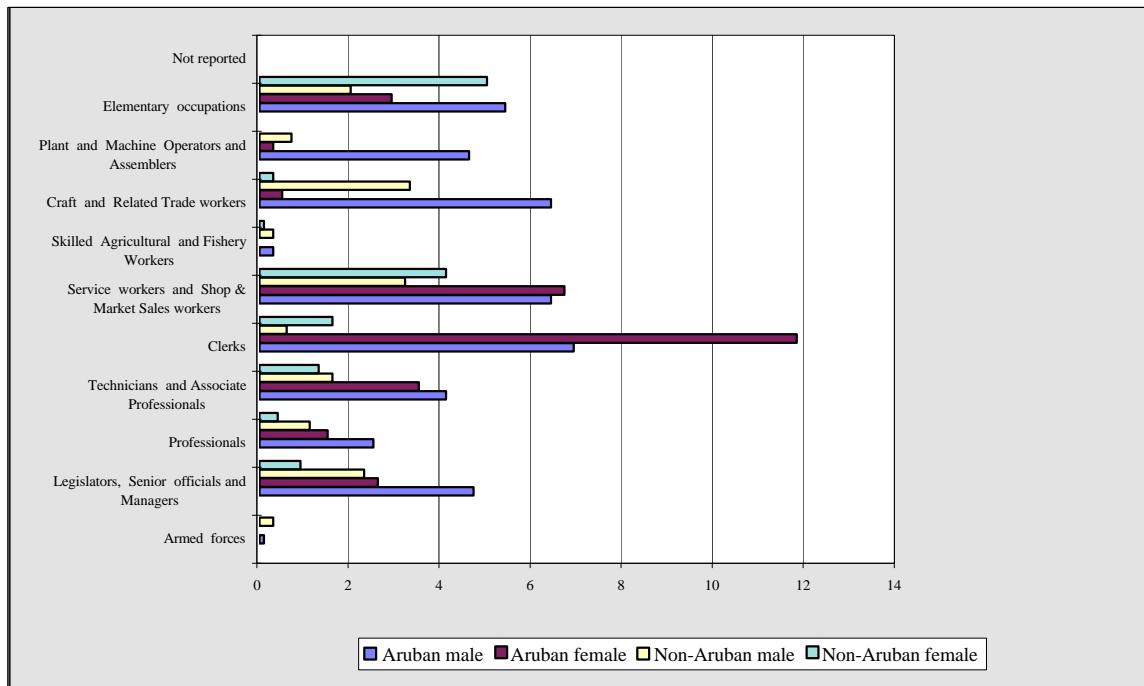
I.S.C.O. ¹⁾	1994						1997					
	NATIVE		FOREIGN		TOTAL	NATIVE		FOREIGN		TOTAL		
	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F			
Armed forces	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.5		
Legislators, Senior officials and Managers	4.8	2.0	2.4	0.8	10.0	4.7	2.6	2.3	0.9	10.4		
Professionals	2.4	1.1	1.5	0.6	5.6	2.5	1.5	1.1	0.4	5.5		
Technicians and Associate Professionals	5.1	3.6	1.0	1.0	10.7	4.1	3.5	1.6	1.3	10.5		
Clerks	5.3	11.0	0.8	1.1	18.2	6.9	11.8	0.6	1.6	20.8		
Service workers and Shop & Market Sales workers	6.6	6.5	1.6	2.8	17.5	6.4	6.7	3.2	4.1	20.4		
Skilled Agricultural and Fishery Workers	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.7		
Craft and Related Trade workers	7.9	0.2	4.3	0.3	12.8	6.4	0.5	3.3	0.3	10.4		
Plant and Machine Operators and Assemblers	5.0	0.1	0.9	0.0	6.0	4.6	0.3	0.7	0.0	5.5		
Elementary occupations	5.8	3.7	2.3	6.4	18.3	5.4	2.9	2.0	5.0	15.2		
Not reported	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1		
TOTAL	43.5	28.4	15.2	13.0	100.0	41.3	29.8	15.3	13.6	100.0		

Source: Labor Force Survey 1994 & 1997

¹⁾ International Standard Classification of Occupation 1988.

I.S.C.O. - 88 is a revision of I.S.C.O. - 68, which it supersedes.

GRAPH 7A. WORKING POPULATION BY BROAD OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY AND SEX, 1997



3. POPULATION BY ACTIVITY STATUS, AGE AND SEX: ESTIMATES FOR THE TOTAL POPULATION BASED ON THE LABOR FORCE SURVEY 1997

Age-group	Population Oct. 1, '97		Labor Force Survey 1997																									
	Male	Female	Males			Females			Total			Males			Females			Total			Males			Females			Total	
			Employed	Employed	Total Employed	Employed	Unemployed	Total Employed	Employed	Unemployed	Total Employed	Employed	Unemployed	Employed	Unemployed	Total Employed	Non-act.	Non-act.	Total Non-act.	Non-act.	Total Non-act.	Males	female	Total	Total labor male	Total labor female	Total labor	
15-19	3042	2904	297	218	515	163	259	422	2582	2427	5009	460	477	477	937													
20-24	3183	3091	1902	1574	3476	280	322	602	1001	1195	2196	2182	1897	1897	4079													
25-29	3920	3760	3277	2592	5869	249	183	432	394	986	1380	3526	2774	2774	6301													
30-34	4471	4319	3954	3018	6972	240	294	534	277	1006	1283	4194	3312	3312	7506													
35-39	4524	4451	3908	3189	7097	264	156	420	352	1106	1458	4172	3345	3345	7517													
40-44	4044	4095	3301	2858	6159	264	179	443	479	1058	1537	3565	3037	3037	6602													
45-49	3276	3363	2828	1926	4754	93	133	226	355	1304	1659	2921	2060	2060	4980													
50-54	2500	2681	2000	1407	3407	71	74	145	428	1200	1628	2071	1481	1481	3552													
55-59	1951	2166	1219	796	2015	33	26	59	699	1344	2043	1252	822	822	2074													
60-64	1528	1746	486	313	798	36	20	56	1007	1413	2420	521	333	333	854													
65-69	1092	1279	171	73	244	0	0	0	922	1206	2127	171	73	73	244													
70-74	714	863	86	36	122	0	0	0	628	827	1456	86	36	36	122													
75-79	428	604	55	12	67	0	0	0	373	592	965	55	12	12	67													
80-84	261	412	1	0	1	0	0	0	252	412	664	1	0	0	1													
85-89	174	279	2	1	3	0	0	0	142	262	404	2	1	1	3													
90-94	88	153	0	0	0	0	0	0	88	153	241	0	0	0	0													
95+	47	77	0	1	1	0	0	0	47	39	86	0	1	1	1													
Total	35242	36243	23486	18015	41501	1693	1646	3339	10025	16529	26554	25179	19661	44840														

Source: Labor Force Survey 1997; Population Census 1991; Population Registry

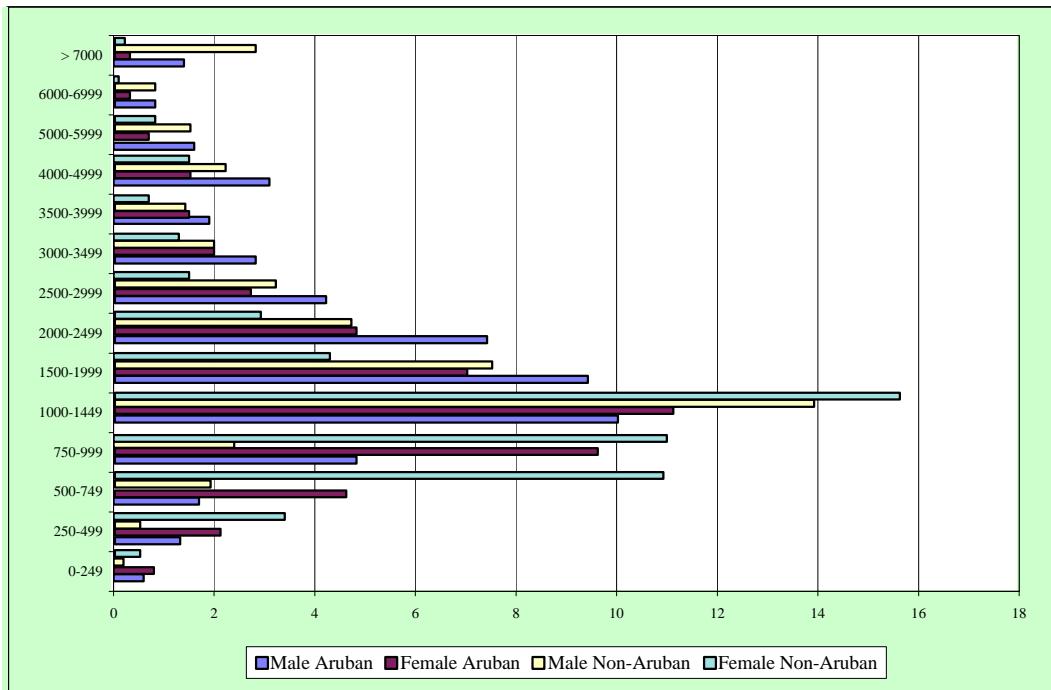
(Detailed items in this table do not necessarily add up to totals due to rounding)

4. EMPLOYED POPULATION BY SEX, STATUS AND INCOME

Income-Category	ARUBANS						FOREIGNERS					
	1994			1997			1994			1997		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
0-249	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.3	0.7	2.5	3.3	0.2	0.5	0.7
250-499	0.1	1.3	1.4	1.3	2.1	3.4	0.0	9.0	9.0	0.5	3.4	3.9
500-749	1.0	1.4	2.4	1.7	4.6	6.3	0.4	5.2	5.7	1.9	10.9	12.8
750-999	2.8	5.2	7.9	4.8	9.6	14.4	4.6	9.1	13.7	2.4	11.0	13.4
1000-1449	14.0	13.5	27.5	10.0	11.1	21.1	17.2	12.4	29.6	13.9	15.6	29.5
1500-1999	11.9	9.0	20.9	9.4	7.0	16.4	8.1	4.6	12.7	7.5	4.3	11.9
2000-2499	8.2	4.1	12.3	7.4	4.8	12.2	5.1	2.7	7.8	4.7	2.9	7.6
2500-2999	3.8	3.5	7.4	4.2	2.7	7.0	3.0	1.6	4.6	3.2	1.5	4.7
3000-3499	3.7	2.0	5.7	2.8	2.0	4.9	1.6	1.6	3.3	2.0	1.3	3.3
3500-3999	2.7	2.0	4.7	1.9	1.5	3.4	1.3	0.7	2.1	1.4	0.7	2.1
4000-4999	3.4	1.5	4.9	3.1	1.5	4.6	3.3	0.3	3.6	2.2	1.5	3.8
5000-5999	1.5	0.2	1.7	1.6	0.7	2.3	1.8	0.4	2.2	1.5	0.8	2.4
6000-6999	0.8	0.1	0.9	0.8	0.3	1.1	0.9	0.0	0.9	0.8	0.1	0.9
>7000	1.2	0.2	1.4	1.4	0.3	1.7	1.3	0.1	1.4	2.8	0.2	3.1
Total	55.3	44.7	100.0	50.8	49.2	100	49.6	50.4	100.0	45.0	55.0	100

Source: Labor Force Survey 1994 & 1997

GRAPH 7B. EMPLOYED POPULATION BY SEX, STATUS AND INCOME (1997)



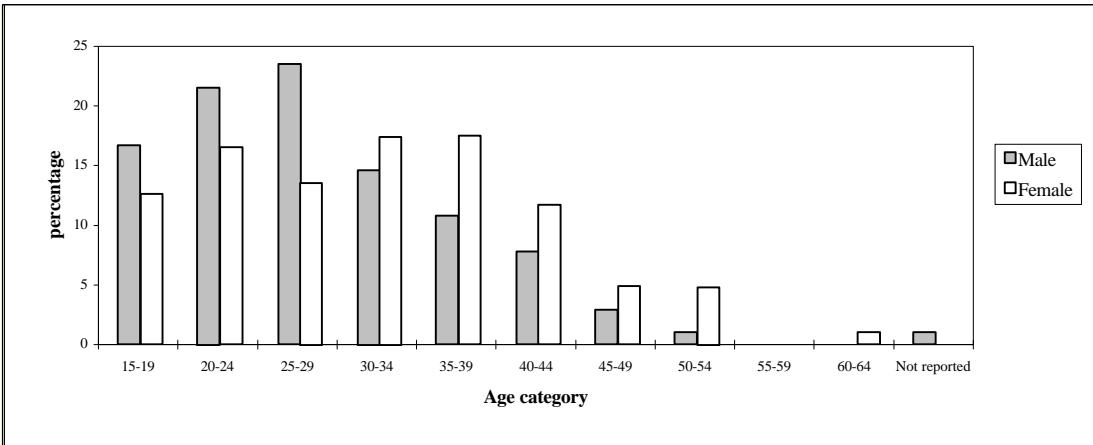
5. NEW ENTRANTS¹⁾ TO THE LABOR MARKET BY SEX AND AGE (1997)

Age category	Male %	Female %	Total %
15-19	16.7	12.6	14.6
20-24	21.6	16.5	19.0
25-29	23.5	13.6	18.5
30-34	14.7	17.5	16.1
35-39	10.8	17.5	14.1
40-44	7.8	11.7	9.8
45-49	2.9	4.9	3.9
50-54	1.0	4.9	2.9
55-59	0.0	0.0	0.0
60-64	0.0	1.0	0.5
Not reported	1.0	0.0	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Labor Force Survey 1997

1) A person who did not have any other employment before their current job and who started working during the last 2 years.

GRAPH 7C. NEW ENTRANTS TO THE LABOR MARKET BY SEX AND AGE (%)

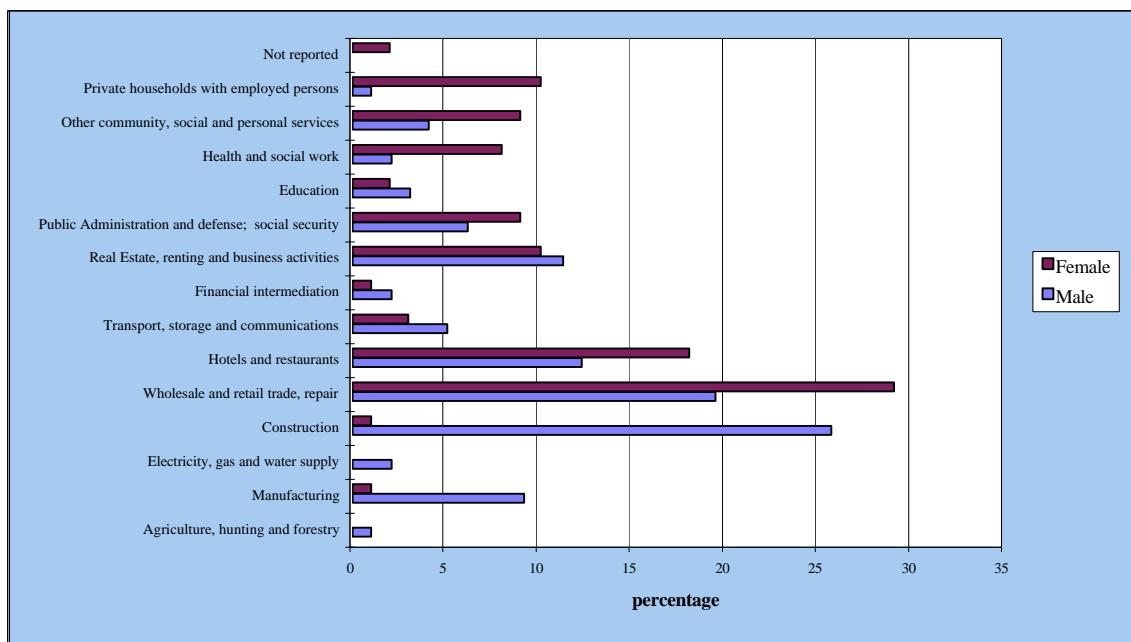


6. NEW ENTRANTS TO THE LABOR MARKET BY SEX AND ISIC-CATEGORY (1997)

ISIC-category	Male %	Female %	Total %
Agriculture, hunting and forestry	1.0	0.0	0.5
Manufacturing	9.2	1.0	4.9
Electricity, gas and water supply	2.1	0.0	1.0
Construction	25.7	1.0	12.7
Wholesale and retail trade, repair	19.5	29.1	23.4
Hotels and restaurants	12.3	18.1	14.6
Transport, storage and communications	5.1	3.0	3.9
Financial intermediation	2.1	1.0	1.5
Real Estate, renting and business activities	11.3	10.1	10.2
Public Administration and defense; social security	6.2	9.0	7.3
Education	3.1	2.0	2.4
Health and social work	2.1	8.0	4.9
Other community, social and personal services	4.1	9.0	6.3
Private households with employed persons	1.0	10.1	5.4
Not reported	0.0	2.0	1.0
Total	104.8	103.5	100.0

Source: Labor Force Survey 1997

GRAPH 7D. NEW ENTRANTS TO THE LABOR MARKET BY SEX AND ISIC-CATEGORY (%)



7. NEW ENTRANTS TO THE LABOR MARKET BY SEX AND ISCO-CATEGORY (1997)

ISCO-category	Male %	Female %	Total %
1. Armed forces	3.1	0.0	1.5
2. Legislators, senior officials and managers	6.2	2.0	3.9
3. Professionals	7.2	2.0	4.4
4. Technicians and associate professionals	5.1	8.0	6.3
5. Clerks	14.4	23.1	18.0
6. Service workers and shop and market sales workers	15.4	40.2	26.8
7. Skilled agriculture and fishery workers	1.0	0.0	0.5
8. Craft and related trades workers	25.7	2.0	13.2
9. Plant and machine operators and assemblers	4.1	0.0	2.0
0. Elementary occupations	22.6	26.1	23.4
Total	104.8	103.5	100.0

Source: Labor Force Survey 1997

8. PERSONS EMPLOYED BY THE GOVERNMENT ¹⁾, DECEMBER 31

YEAR	GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS	LABOURERS	GRAND TOTAL
	Total	Total	
1984	1357	1125	2482
1985	1307	1099	2406
1986	2527	1170	3697
1987	2638	1099	3737
1988	2694	1030	3724
1989	2912	835	3747
.	.	.	.
1994	3648	.	3648
1995	3290	.	3290
1996	3498 ²⁾	.	3498 ²⁾
1997	3716 ²⁾	.	3716 ²⁾
1998	3705 ²⁾	.	3705 ²⁾

Source: Department of Personnel Affairs

1) Public educators and T.A.V. - workers not included.

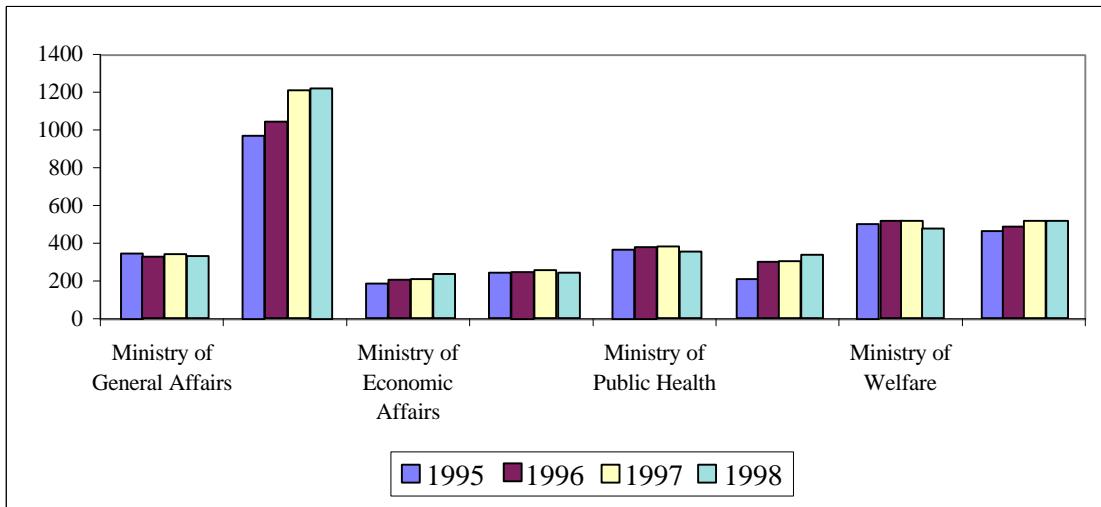
2) excludes DOW-workers

9. PERSONS EMPLOYED BY THE GOVERNMENT BY MINISTRIES, DECEMBER 31

	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Ministry of General Affairs	391	350	324	338	330
Ministry of Justice	1030	973	1039	1207	1223
Ministry of Economic Affairs	212	183	203	208	234
Ministry of Public Works	287	241	250	255	240
Ministry of Public Health	411	370	383	379	351
Ministry of Traffic and Communication	228	208	298	301	336
Ministry of Welfare	578	505	516	514	475
Ministry of Finance	511	460	485	514	516
TOTAL	3648	3290	3498	3716	3705

Source: Department of Personnel Affairs

GRAPH 7E. PERSONS EMPLOYED BY THE GOVERNMENT BY MINISTRIES

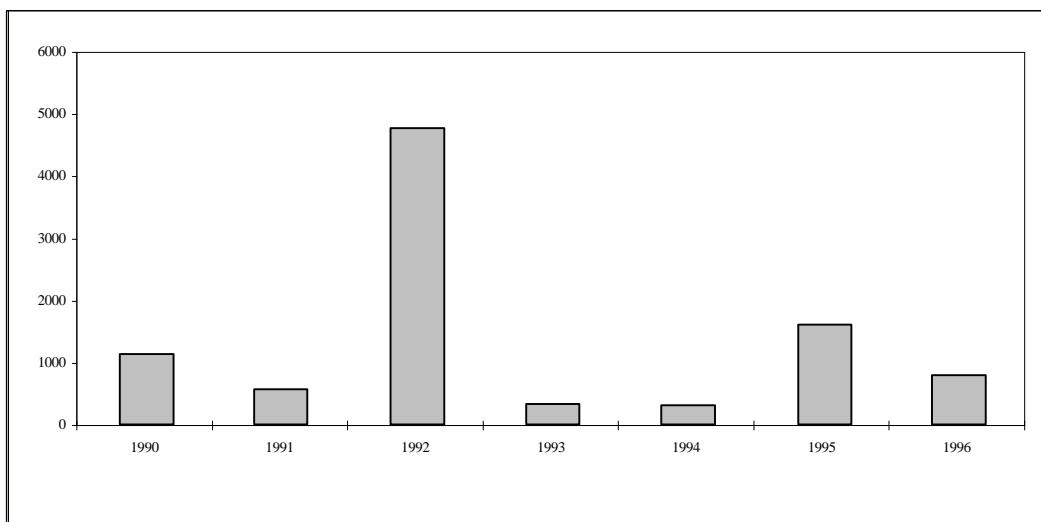


10. LABOUR CONFLICTS, WORK STOPPAGES, COLLECTIVE LABOUR AGREEMENTS

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Discussions with Government Mediator concerning labour conflicts	286	172	185	425	384
Work stoppages	2	1	1	5	4
Working days lost due to stoppages	4770	329	305	1607	794
Registered Collective Labour Agreements	47	47	53	58	20

Source: Bureau of the Government Mediator

GRAPH 7F. WORKING DAYS LOST DUE TO STOPPAGES



8. TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT

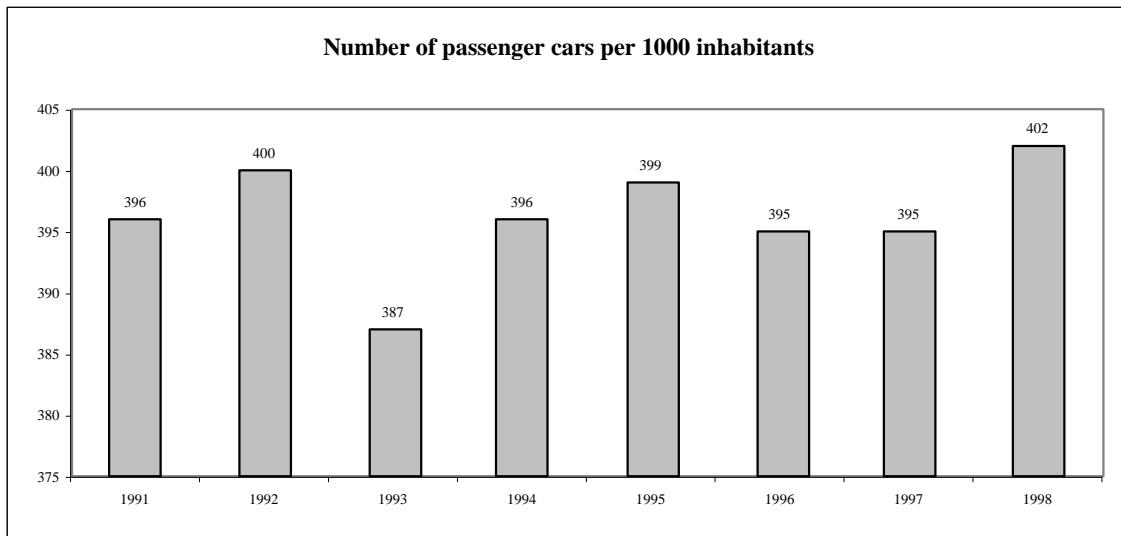
1. NUMBER OF MOTOR - VEHICLES REGISTERED, DECEMBER 31

TYPES	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Passenger cars	30144 ¹⁾	31817 ¹⁾	33417 ¹⁾	34712 ¹⁾	36112 ¹⁾	37569 ¹⁾
Irregular - transportation cars	68	73	75	85	105	101
Trucks	574	645	654	705	708	734
Buses	112	112	113	115	122	123
Tour buses	95	105	111	126	150	115
Taxis	341	351	355	370	399	401
Rental	2612	2947	3202	3458	3881	3067
Government cars	533	543	549	550	556	401
Other cars	19	21	27	30	31	27
Motor - cycles, incl. mopeds	550	599	589	684	603	604
Special plates	216	231	219	221	229	245
Number of passenger cars per 1000 inhabitants	387	396	399	395	395	402

Source: Tax - collector's Office

¹⁾ Includes special (= name) plates.

GRAPH 8A.



2. TOTAL VOLUME OF TRANSPORTED BUSPASSENGERS

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Volume of passengers	2420516	2567848	2528844	2729482	2584112	2652504

Source: Aribus N.V.

3. ROAD ACCIDENTS

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Number of accidents, total	3217	2816	2970	2873	3290	4431
of which fatal	12	11	15	24	13	12
with bodily harm	637	548	592	582	578	.
with material damage only	2580	2268	2378	2291	2712	.
Number of victims, total	762	742	896	889	868	.
of which killed	12	11	15	24	13	12
severely injured	135	107	99	82	68	.
slightly injured	615	624	782	783	787	.
Estimated material damage (x AFL. 1000)	3252	3199	4243	4298	.	.

Source: Police Force of Aruba

4. SHIPS INTO PORTS ¹⁾ & PILOTAGE DUES BY PORT

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
NUMBER of						
Tankers and other cargo vessels	591	723	557	621	602	583
Motor and steamships	1755	1937	2103	2008	1830	1899
Small ships (<50 BRT)	1160	1224	1418	1255	1228	1084
T O T A L	3506	3884	4078	3884	3660	3566
TONNAGE (x 1000 BRT)						
Tankers and other cargo vessels	23413	30016	17057	.	.	.
Motor and steamships	10963	12181	14874	15189	15370	15012
Small ships (<50 BRT)	.	.	33	56	28	33
T O T A L	34376	42197	31964	.	.	.
PILOTAGE DUES (x Af. 1000)						
Port Oranjestad	1262	1313	1185	1072	1047	995
Port Barcadera	60	38	46	42	51	111
Port San Nicolas	2863	3088	1059	18	.	.
T O T A L	4185	4439	2290	1132	1098	1106

Source: Aruba Ports Authority and Coastal Aruba Refining Co.

¹⁾ Ships over 50 BRT, are obliged to make use of a pilot.

5. LANDINGS OF AIRCRAFTS

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Commercial landings	12339	12042	12442	12409	13429	12477
Non - commercial landings	4086	4237	4103	3702	3089	3257
T O T A L	16425	16279	16545	16111	16518	15734

Source: Immigration International Airport of Aruba

6. PASSENGERS TRAVELLING BY AIR

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
By AIR						
- arrived	750732	778012	817956	814283	815321	811436
- departed	745227	769447	810675	798479	803479	793091
- in transit	139792	133853	127659	128203	165246	179645

Source: Immigration International Airport of Aruba

7. STAY - OVER TOURISM ¹⁾

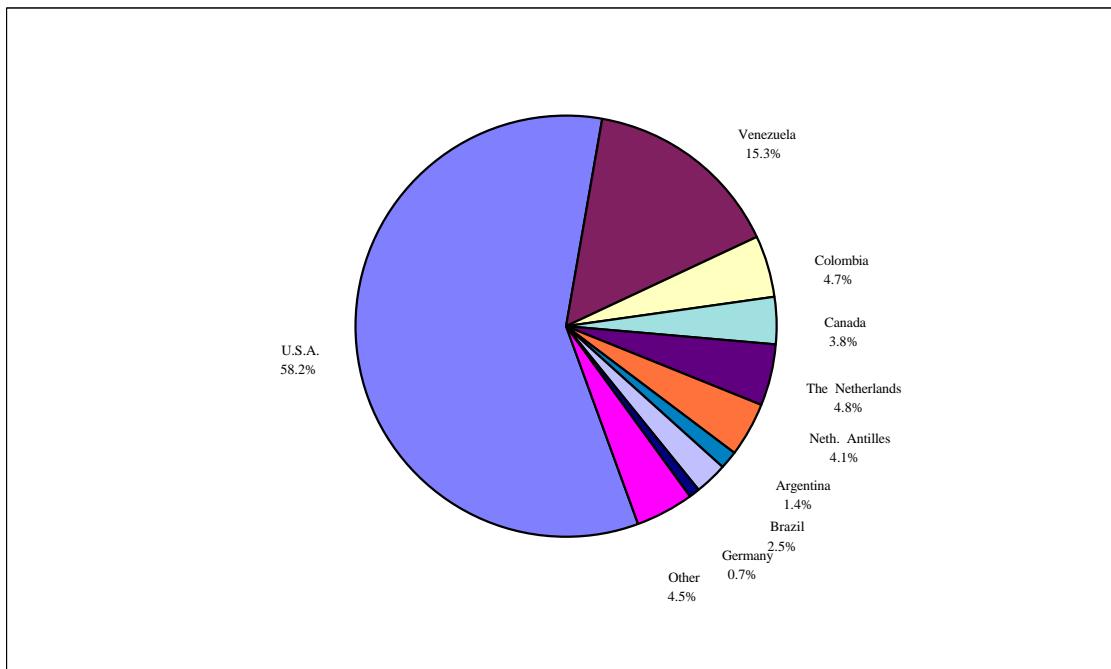
	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
<u>NUMBER OF PERSONS</u>						
T o t a l	562034	581060	618917	640835	645983	647437
of which from:						
U.S.A. ²⁾	315332	323997	344885	371523	363791	377108
Venezuela	84732	74943	85640	74822	87634	99128
Colombia	16986	21486	26785	29868	33275	30367
Canada	22144	23579	27169	24568	25104	24439
The Netherlands	32457	32178	33275	36196	32666	30959
Neth. Antilles	25589	27957	29244	31022	27485	26620
Argentina	10065	11842	8619	11357	12286	8929
Brazil	17273	29513	29837	25412	21060	15893
Germany	8755	8242	7075	5963	5144	4597
Other	28701	27323	26387	30104	37538	29397
<u>NUMBER of NIGHTS</u>						
T o t a l	4027754	4225253	4473076	4713728	4834838	4889718
of which from:						
U.S.A. ²⁾	2145513	2292984	2447888	2656442	2605054	2798623
Venezuela	492660	427640	476761	445837	555387	558709
Colombia	158276	178578	216312	257213	325300	273118
Canada	195192	210174	235739	215249	214551	212215
The Netherlands	391656	403477	410054	428524	372343	394009
Neth. Antilles	115516	123307	133737	146849	142563	140437
Argentina	70222	83669	64976	85051	91068	72079
Brazil	110034	178389	178490	152181	115014	103593
Germany	107247	98279	81977	70198	54598	52604
Other	241438	228756	227138	256184	358960	284331

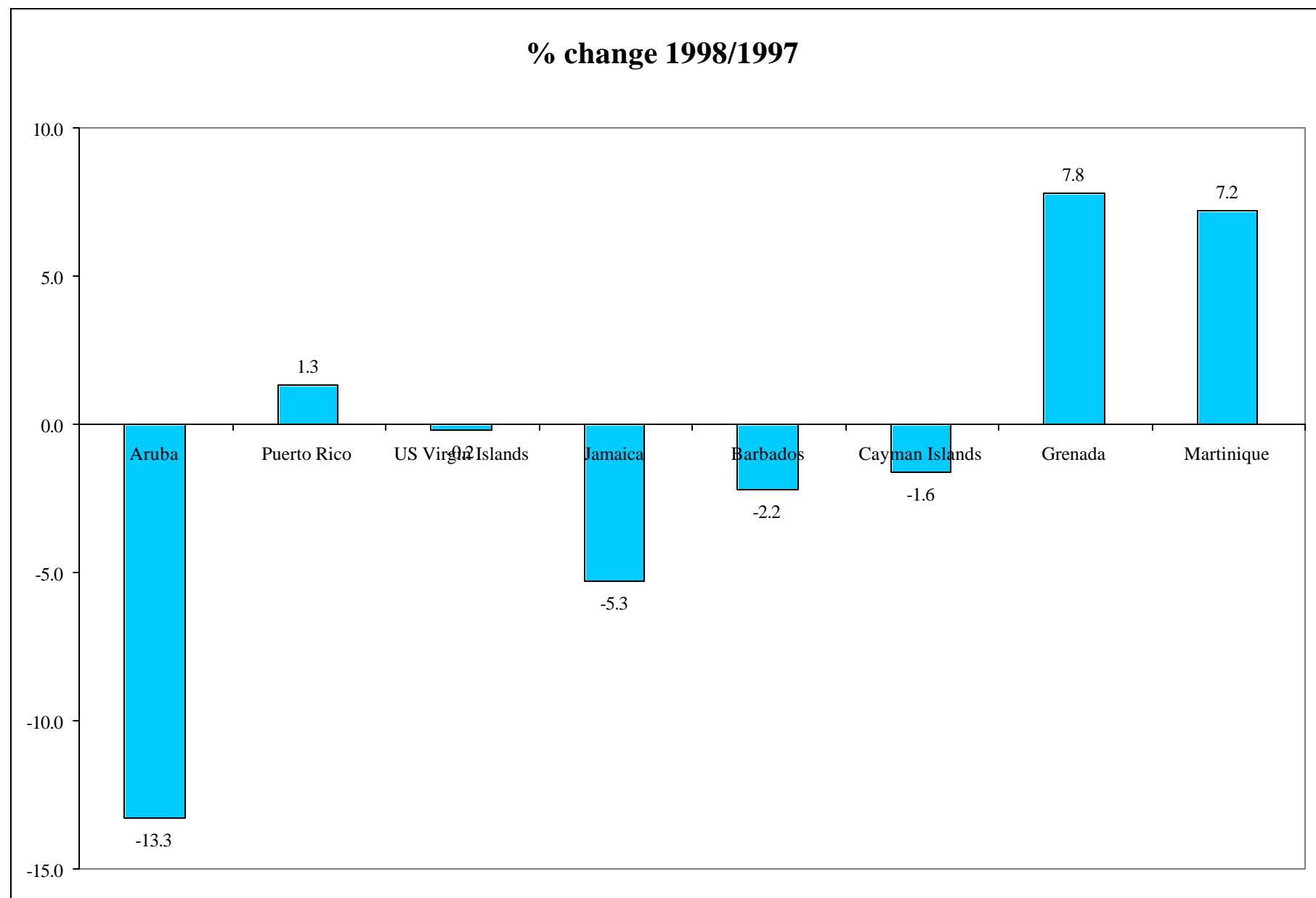
Source: Aruba Tourism Authority

¹⁾ Foreigners staying longer than 24 hours.

²⁾ Incl. tourists from Puerto Rico as from 1979.

GRAPH 8B. STAY-OVER TOURISM 1998 (relative)





12. LOCAL TELEPHONE AND TELEX, DECEMBER 31

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
TELEPHONE:						
connection (subscriber lines)	22922	25049	26917	29681	32796	35366
connection per 100 inh.	29	31	32	34	36	38
TELEX:						
connection (subscriber lines)	.	.	38	.	35	35

Source: SETAR

13. INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE, TELEGRAPH AND TELEX (outgoing)

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
<u>CALL - MINUTES x 1000</u>						
TELEPHONE (Incl. Transit calls):						
North America	5918	6503	6471	5896	5935	6232
of which U.S.A.	5703	6275	6246	5704	5717	5802
Canada	214	227	223	191	207	217
Central America	155	171	181	150	77	80
Caribbean Area	5121	5922	6137	5804	6231	6542
of which Neth. Antilles	3659	4166	4391	4215	4560	4788
Pto. Rico/Virgin Isl.	283	312	309	296	207	217
Dominican Republic	791	897	866	781	844	886
South America	3648	4399	4559	4378	5036	5288
of which Venezuela	2042	2361	2411	2452	2695	2830
Colombia	1166	1442	1567	1464	1745	1832
Surinam	144	181	173	175	172	180
Europe	3169	3482	3284	2867	2699	2834
of which The Netherlands	2763	3034	2851	2512	2613	2743
United Kingdom	86	89	90	76	86	90
Asia	106	109	117	79	65	68
Other countries	15	16	20	17	21	22
TOTAL	18132	20602	20769	19191	20064	21066
<u>in Number</u>						
TELEGRAPH:						
U.S.A. ¹⁾	760	.	.	.	724	617
The Netherlands	2067	.	.	.	770	708
Ships	36	.	.	.	0	0
Netherlands Antilles	2230	.	.	.	1746	2162
TOTAL	5093	.	.	.	3240	3487

Source: SETAR

14. RADIO AND TELEVISION, DECEMBER 31

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
TELEVISION TRANSMITTERS	2	2	2	3	3	3
RADIO TRANSMITTERS	12	15	15	16	16	18
AM	4	4	4	4	3	2
FM	8	11	11	12	13	16

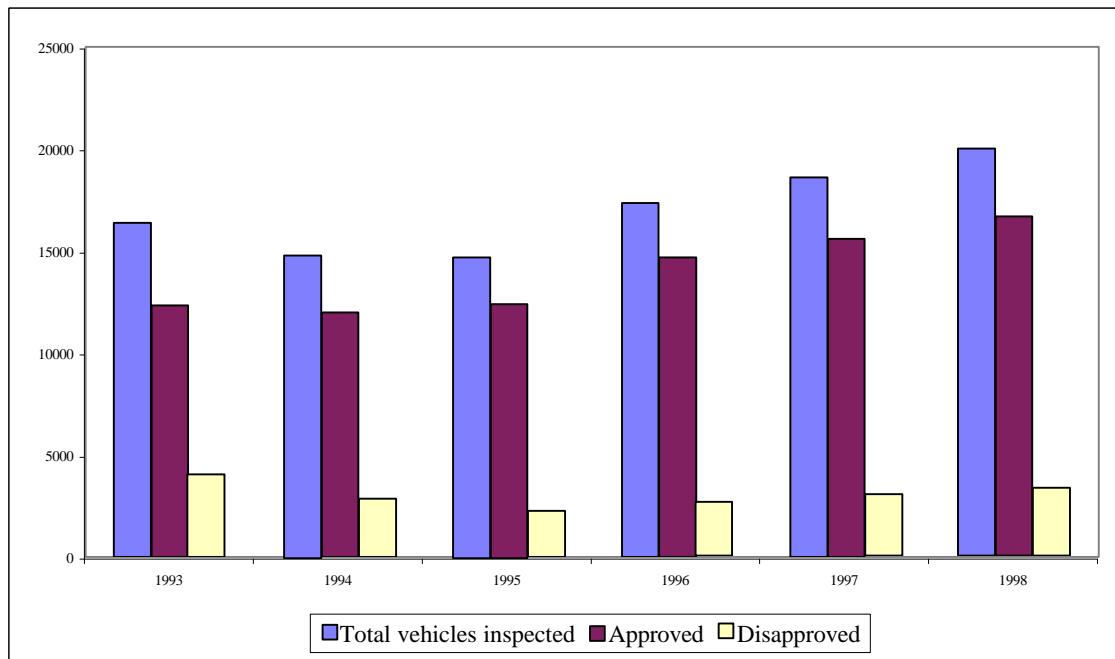
Source: Directorate of Telecommunication Affairs

15. MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION

YEAR	INSPECTION APPROVED						INSPEC- TION DISAP- PROVED	TOTAL VEHICLES INSPECTED	TRANSFER	DUPLI- CATE
	TOTAL	Private transport	Trucks	Motor- cycles	Passenger lift	Free of Charge				
1993	12323	7733	2855	84	1452	199	4051	16374	827	42
1994	11985	7407	2992	101	1191	294	2861	14846	796	69
1995	12468	7721	3165	96	1200	286	2260	14728	763	94
1996	14684	9401	3550	129	1286	318	2649	17333	790	66
1997	15585	10028	3951	105	1236	265	3026	18611	1002	99
1998	16616	11145	4127	156	916	272	3325	19941	1197	107

Source: Department of Technical Inspection

GRAPH 8E. MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION



16. MONEY ORDERS SOLD

	1995		1996		1997	
	Items	Amount x Af. 1000	Items	Amount x Af. 1000	Items	Amount x Af. 1000
Domestic	397	116.4	374	114.5	553	154.7
International	9835	6215.4	9912	5879.7	9913	5709.3

Source: Post Office

17. MONEY ORDERS PAID

	1995		1996		1997	
	Items	Amount x Af. 1000	Items	Amount x Af. 1000	Items	Amount x Af. 1000
Domestic	405	118.6	376	126.6	634	167.1
International	6092	3522.2	6053	3724.6	5673	3471.4

Source: Post Office

18. DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL MAILS

	1995	1996	1997
DOMESTIC:			
Letters (x 1000 kgs)	500.0	561.6	624.0
INTERNATIONAL:			
Letters received (x 1000 kgs)	75.9	82.8	77.0
Letters dispatched (x 1000 kgs)	24.4	28.7	59.1
Parcels received (x 1000 kgs)	.	55.8	51.3
Parcels dispatched	.	9067	6387
EMS received	4430	5112	3950
EMS dispated	3093	3548	7098
REVENUE & EXPENDITURE:			
Revenue collected (x Af. 1000)	5727.7	7341.1	6241.2
Expenditure (x Af. 1000)	6777.6	9360.2	10267.8

Source: Post Office

9. FOREIGN TRADE

1. IMPORT OF GOODS (C.I.F.), EXCLUDING MINERAL FUELS, BY SECTION

Sections (01..21) by Transactions	1996*		1997*		1998*	
	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.
01 Live animals and other animal products	15996.1	81544.5	16492.9	82028.2	24414.4	97787.1
02 Vegetable products	27016.8	39373.0	28296.6	45731.3	26996.5	41905.3
03 Fats and oils	2164.6	6927.1	2189.4	7085.6	2206.9	6766.4
04 Food products	45831.9	124132.4	46109.6	128384.8	49473.1	137687.8
05 Mineral products	39455.8	7774.1	44357.7	11201.7	100886.4	11385.9
06 Chemical products	15071.5	103362.6	16002.9	125072.5	20259.5	129385.0
07 Artificial plastic elements	4731.4	32847.4	4417.1	32974.7	4882.5	3713.0
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	242.4	9326.1	215.3	8353.5	291.5	9163.0
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	14392.7	21307.5	12102.8	19503.5	13390.9	21510.0
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	5820.9	37386.5	6092.3	37563.8	5939.8	37610.6
11 Textile fibers and articles	2376.1	69765.1	2356.3	70038.0	2601.3	77891.7
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	389.5	13417.1	452.3	14698.5	484.7	14806.2
13 Works od stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	17478.7	31465.7	18079.7	30463.5	18162.3	33120.0
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	15.8	46115.0	14.6	45620.6	16.1	48279.9
15 Base metals and derivated works	13511.7	71279.6	15121.4	86350.4	17600.1	114812.1
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment	6131.0	153371.8	6695.8	153962.0	8520.1	196135.2
17 Transport equipment	6630.9	88744.9	7473.4	100271.1	7467.1	347836.3
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	309.9	42022.6	336.2	47323.7	359.8	52656.5
19 Arms and ammunition	4.7	168.0	6.5	246.1	5.5	220.9
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	3398.4	39074.9	2982.7	40274.5	3814.4	43410.3
21 Art-objects and collectors items	1036.0	15668.4	859.2	13050.0	790.2	13779.1
TOTAL	222006.8	1035074.2	230654.8	1100197.9	308563.0	1473462.1

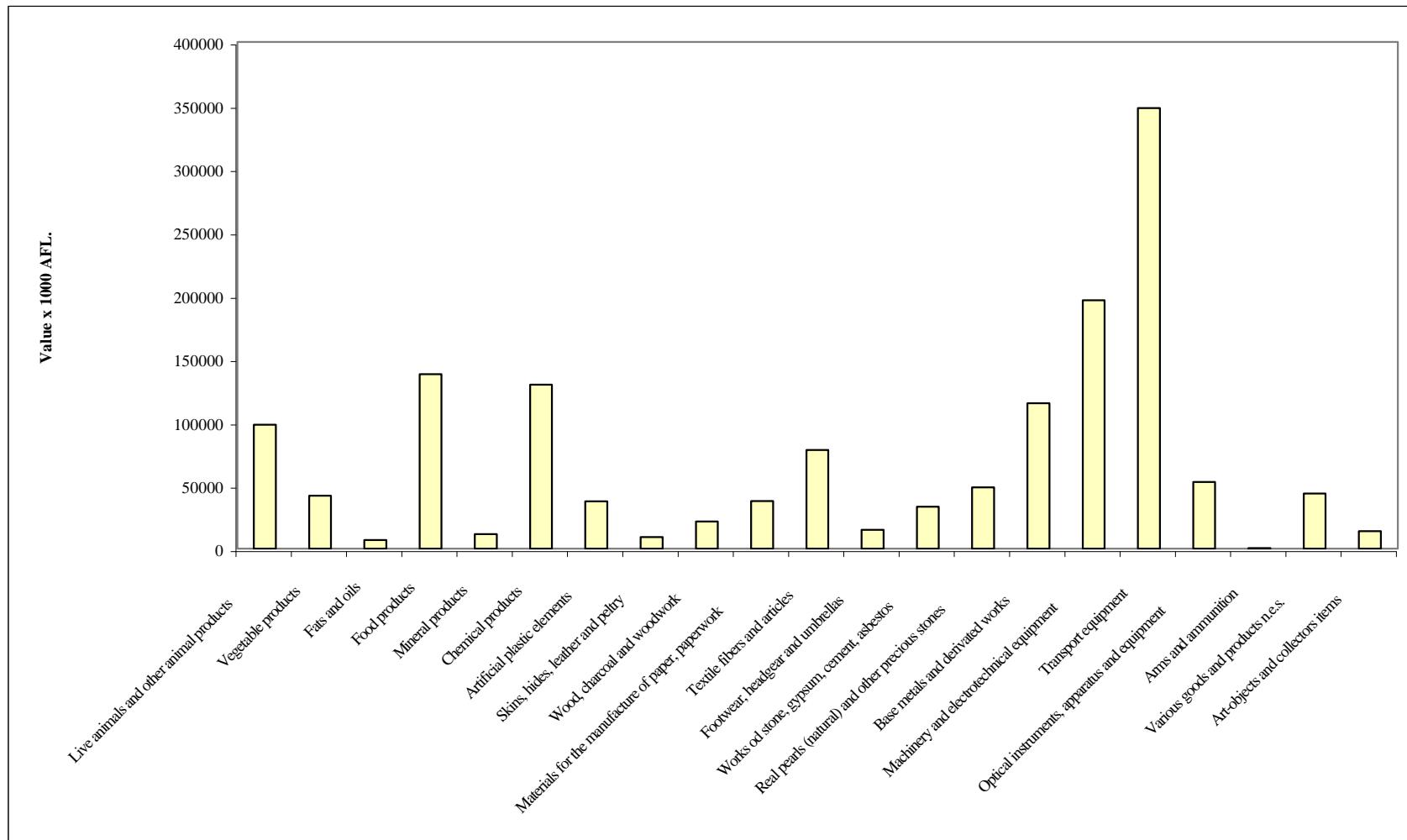
Source: Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics

2. EXPORT OF GOODS (F.O.B.), EXCLUDING MINERAL FUELS, BY SECTION

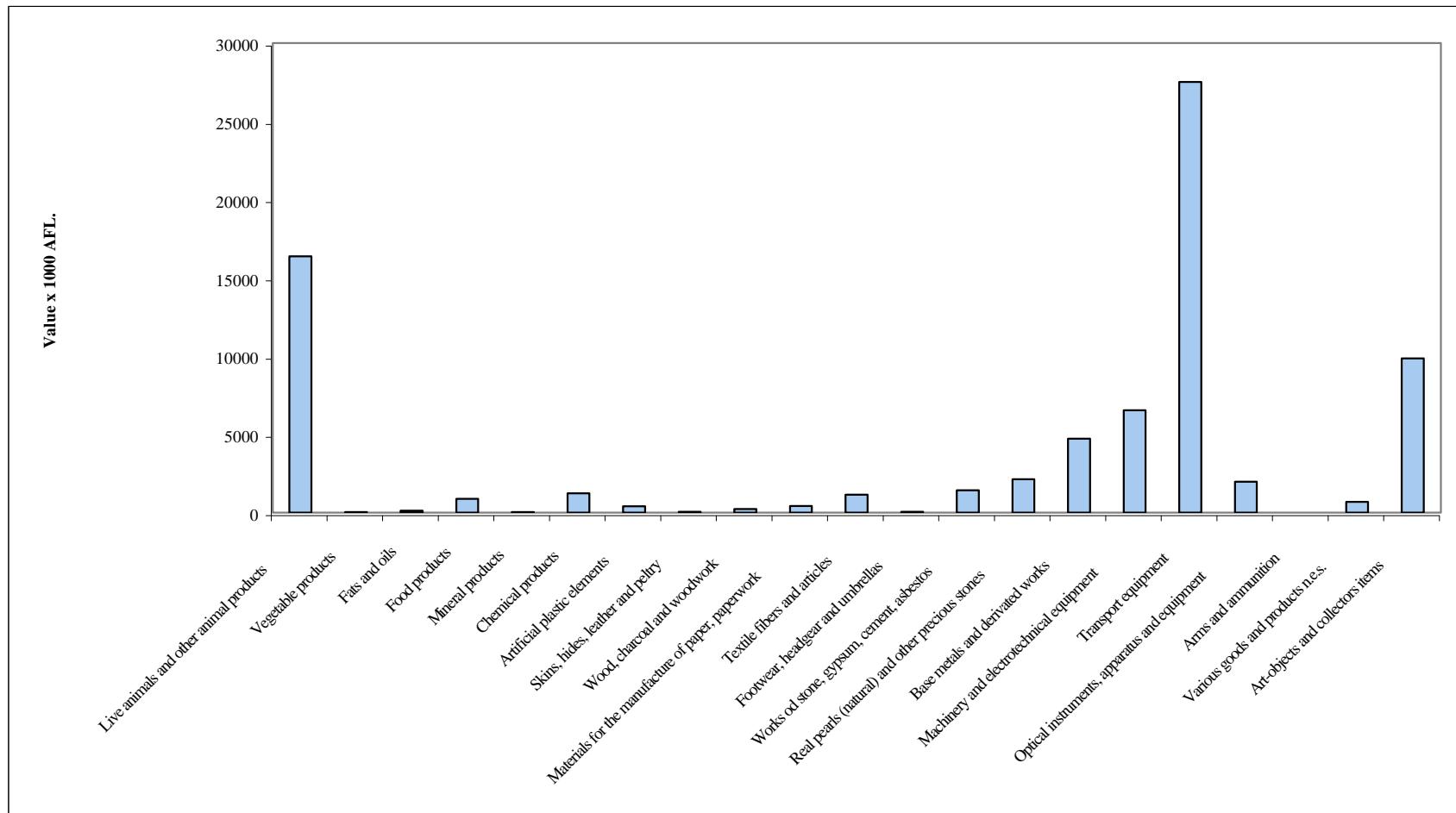
Sections (01..21) by Transactions	1996*		1997*		1998*	
	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.
01 Live animals and other animal products	813.4	2432.2	1799.5	5827.2	6694.6	16368.4
02 Vegetable products	1.0	13.5	2274.8	8064.0	5.5	20.0
03 Fats and oils	60.7	572.8	56.6	323.2	26.2	131.6
04 Food products	67.0	377.2	332.0	767.1	595.7	877.0
05 Mineral products	0.3	0.3	220.5	94.7	80.8	17.7
06 Chemical products	400.6	788.3	197.2	928.4	189.2	1235.7
07 Artificial plastic elements	69.3	168.9	66.5	207.3	134.2	405.3
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	0.3	9.3	0.9	29.5	2.3	44.6
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	129.1	209.1	69.2	150.6	104.7	227.4
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	537.2	162.7	553.1	355.2	240.4	418.9
11 Textile fibers and articles	29.6	815.0	30.8	1188.0	66.1	1151.8
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	1.7	23.0	1.3	60.5	6.8	48.9
13 Works od stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	1760.9	854.6	1343.2	613.1	1117.4	1431.6
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	0.4	218.9	0.8	7103.8	0.8	2139.1
15 Base metals and derivated works	2793.7	4485.4	2519.1	1679.8	6394.1	4727.5
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment	266.6	2402.8	357.1	3047.0	446.4	6536.1
17 Transport equipment	143.7	1829.1	231.2	5103.8	1413.8	27517.0
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	2.6	759.8	4.4	950.7	7.9	1977.4
19 Arms and ammunition	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.2	0.1	6.2
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	14.3	373.7	26.2	422.5	67.0	679.6
21 Art-objects and collectors items	442.1	5841.3	449.2	6232.6	350.0	9853.5
TOTAL	7534.4	22337.7	10533.9	43150.3	17943.9	75815.2

Source: Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics

GRAPH 9A. IMPORT OF GOODS, EXCLUDING MINERAL FUELS, BY SECTION (1998)



GRAPH 9B. EXPORT OF GOODS, EXCLUDING MINERAL FUELS, BY SECTION (1998)

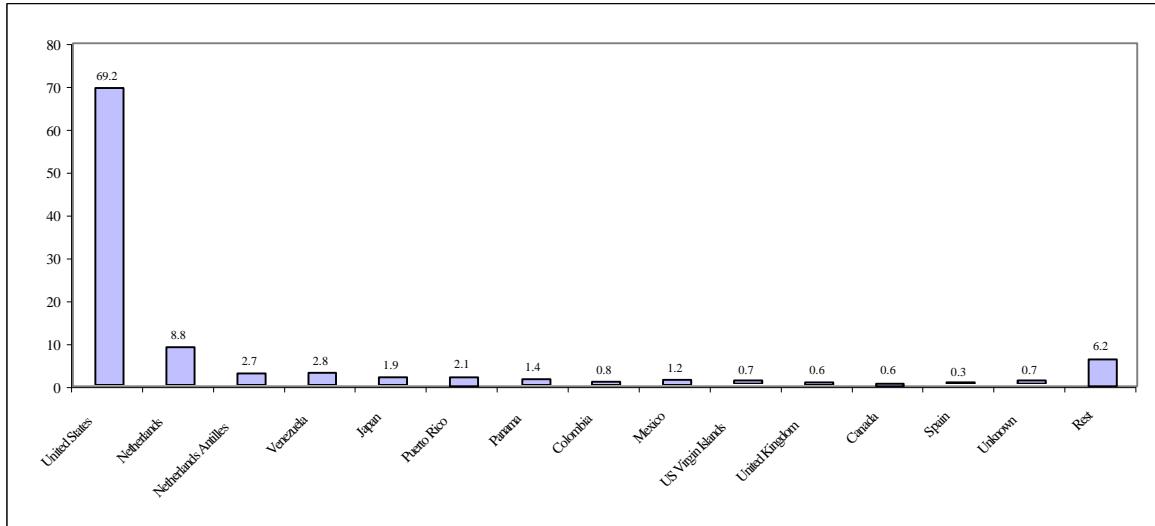


3. IMPORTS FOR ARUBA BY COUNTRIES

Countries by total	1996*		1997*		1998*	
	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.
United States	93461.0	580121.3	93452.3	611237.1	117321.1	1020206.9
Netherlands	23555.3	139126.4	25482.7	137066.2	24520.4	130232.2
Netherlands Antilles	10395.0	47276.3	9431.6	46269.3	8272.2	39598.3
Venezuela	41298.5	41369.5	44125.8	40066.4	55418.9	41675.6
Japan	1713.9	30048.1	1747.3	33365.2	1787.0	27316.2
Puerto Rico	5030.2	27765.6	4754.5	31039.4	5300.2	30437.2
Panama	663.7	20858.3	702.6	23251.5	728.0	20102.8
Colombia	21685.9	12848.1	23919.5	18795.7	25321.5	11747.7
Mexico	735.2	7304.7	1700.1	17246.8	2235.8	18290.9
US Virgin Islands	4.5	4526.7	10.1	11355.3	13.4	10376.1
United Kingdom	2021.6	9890.6	2286.7	9803.5	2260.4	8488.3
Canada	1768.7	7749.3	2195.1	9604.8	2484.2	9208.1
Spain	1912.3	4098.5	2487.5	4948.8	2462.8	4475.3
Unknown	2004.2	15215.4	3233.6	21622.0	1666.7	10036.9
Rest	15756.8	86875.4	15125.4	84525.9	58770.4	91269.6
TOTAL	222006.8	1035074.2	230654.8	1100197.9	308563.0	1473462.10

Source: Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics

GRAPH 9C. IMPORTS (VALUE) FOR ARUBA BY COUNTRIES (1998)



4. EXPORTS FOR ARUBA BY COUNTRIES

Countries by total	1996*		1997*		1998*	
	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.
United States	1703.5	5277.7	3423.8	14367.1	3339.7	40278.9
Netherlands	291.3	4870.0	456.7	10089.1	334.8	6734.4
Netherlands Antilles	2559.9	4335.9	2127.3	5690.1	1976.7	5625.7
Colombia	608.7	2093.5	1782.8	4926.7	5220.8	11290.6
Venezuela	755.7	866.4	1276.6	2620.8	1658.1	5344.8
Belgium	2.4	80.0	0.0	1200.0	6.0	550.1
Puerto Rico	7.4	247.5	10.5	803.5	7.0	1005.6
Panama	235.2	361.0	499.7	324.6	16.7	47.0
Dominican Republic	180.1	69.4	324.3	209.7	4581.2	313.9
Unknown	217.2	812.7	372.5	1210.9	386.0	975.3
Rest	973.0	3323.6	259.7	1707.8	416.9	3648.9
TOTAL	7534.4	22337.7	10533.9	43150.3	17943.9	75815.2

Source: Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics

5. GOODS FOR STORAGE IN WAREHOUSE, BY SECTION

	Sections (01..21) by Transactions	1996*		1997*		1998*	
		WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.
01	Live animals and other animal products	521.3	1763.0	2131.0	5026.3	852.1	2625.5
02	Vegetable products	34032.2	26842.1	28343.5	19405.0	16147.8	10757.6
03	Fats and oils	37.9	136.0	29.6	58.1	31.5	64.0
04	Food products	28894.9	455897.2	36306.4	503248.5	31309.8	501000.6
05	Mineral products	0.0	0.9	2.4	4.2	4.1	8.2
06	Chemical products	228.4	4364.3	408.9	3588.5	78.6	1227.0
07	Artificial plastic elements	801.1	4831.6	801.7	4619.8	569.4	3079.4
08	Skins, hides, leather and peltry	3.7	126.1	7.5	72.8	3.0	136.6
09	Wood, charcoal and woodwork	72.4	166.7	81.9	126.7	14.8	46.8
10	Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	59.9	334.1	48.3	312.7	25.6	331.7
11	Textile fibers and articles	24.6	925.6	51.5	1311.6	77.2	1413.4
12	Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	73.0	3519.3	58.0	2695.1	83.5	3535.8
13	Works od stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	28.5	195.0	82.0	154.9	10.6	84.0
14	Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	0.0	2.1	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.5
15	Base metals and derivated works	56.9	1027.6	41.9	645.7	53.0	360.5
16	Machinery and electrotechnical equipment	831.0	10868.4	298.4	5043.8	110.9	2690.9
17	Transport equipment	632.4	6425.4	576.7	6258.1	779.4	4391.9
18	Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	5.9	1138.3	2.7	967.8	4.4	938.6
19	Arms and ammunition	11.3	217.6	8.0	182.4	6.7	188.3
20	Various goods and products n.e.s.	65.4	1611.0	25.2	443.6	17.1	220.2
21	Art-objects and collectors items	0.7	30.5	4.1	41.5	4.4	130.7
TOTAL		66381.4	520422.9	69310.0	554208.6	50184.0	533232.4

Source: Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics

6. TRANSIT GOODS (RELEASE FROM WAREHOUSE), BY SECTION

	Sections (01..21) by Transactions	1996*		1997*		1998*	
		WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.
01	Live animals and other animal products	571.1	1909.8	2210.1	5280.1	874.9	2957.7
02	Vegetable products	37882.6	35805.6	35260.2	27974.9	12565.0	9751.1
03	Fats and oils	46.9	123.4	35.7	87.6	34.4	69.8
04	Food products	29899.8	466639.2	36263.2	516028.0	30052.2	474376.2
05	Mineral products	1.4	4.2	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.0
06	Chemical products	622.9	5305.5	790.1	5606.6	869.8	4961.9
07	Artificial plastic elements	709.4	4077.5	785.7	4541.5	492.4	2631.5
08	Skins, hides, leather and peltry	6.7	211.0	20.8	220.7	18.7	441.5
09	Wood, charcoal and woodwork	86.2	198.2	98.5	170.1	5.2	29.3
10	Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	40.6	222.3	34.9	168.1	28.9	339.3
11	Textile fibers and articles	995.4	15956.3	1841.6	24688.0	1897.2	25374.2
12	Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	90.8	3647.2	133.7	3728.7	254.8	6316.2
13	Works od stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	22.3	201.5	19.2	47.6	11.2	60.0
14	Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	6.1	334.3	2.5	13521.4	2.4	38588.4
15	Base metals and derivated works	79.2	978.1	114.7	1402.4	195.5	1154.6
16	Machinery and electrotechnical equipment	746.9	13369.7	641.4	13986.2	439.7	11960.9
17	Transport equipment	479.2	4300.8	625.0	8160.4	986.7	8486.9
18	Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	6.9	1069.6	4.5	1310.2	8.2	1138.1
19	Arms and ammunition	12.6	313.0	9.5	374.9	11.0	315.3
20	Various goods and products n.e.s.	65.5	2140.1	20.2	374.9	51.9	566.2
21	Art-objects and collectors items	1805.0	8887.9	1517.4	8234.0	2821.6	8148.8
TOTAL		74177.6	565695.4	80429.0	635906.7	51621.7	597668.1

Source: Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics

7. STORAGE OF GOODS (IN WAREHOUSE), BY COUNTRIES

Countries	1996*		1997*		1998*	
	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.
Venezuela	13941.0	200360.9	12881.4	247999.8	11461.8	277660.3
United Kingdom	8156.3	134517.4	9098.1	161722.1	8846.8	160406.0
United States	4366.2	104968.2	3846.1	43859.9	2465.0	21336.2
Guyana	30499.5	22971.6	24996.8	14869.8	13623.1	7872.8
Belgium	3.5	78.0	275.7	12061.9	1038.5	13024.3
Trinidad and Tobago	6.9	28.8	7972.1	7625.2	710.5	1060.4
Colombia	327.6	1619.8	1571.4	6815.0	709.2	4587.4
Netherlands	1181.8	5362.6	1041.1	3731.2	4700.1	9869.1
Surinam	3382.2	2779.7	1573.6	1212.8	2254.1	1238.1
Unknown	14.3	451.0	2163.6	19882.4	0.4	602.4
Rest	4502.1	47284.9	3890.1	34428.5	4374.5	35575.4
TOTAL	66381.4	520422.9	69310.0	554208.6	50184.0	533232.4

Source: Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics

8. TRANSIT OF GOODS (RELEASE FROM WAREHOUSE), BY COUNTRIES

Countries	1996*		1997*		1998*	
	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.	WEIGHT x 1000 Kg	VALUE x 1000 AFL.
Colombia	18728.2	298741.9	16971.9	235607.4	13216.5	162926.8
Panama	11832.9	172887.5	10676.1	206604.1	8961.8	199074.4
Venezuela	2249.8	15721.0	4187.3	73363.4	5536.5	114881.4
Netherlands	28462.7	27704.3	33794.8	34290.2	9717.0	21435.0
United Kingdom	172.3	1828.1	1424.7	24929.6	1700.3	29570.8
United States	556.3	9057.7	1456.0	12674.3	2174.3	22249.2
Belgium	4015.1	4796.0	5307.5	9016.1	144.7	7655.2
Netherlands Antilles	1300.4	12767.3	1264.3	11075.4	1144.2	11929.7
Unknown	830.3	5126.2	2551.3	12909.8	1023.2	6378.9
Rest	6029.6	17065.4	2795.1	15436.4	8003.2	21566.7
TOTAL	74177.6	565695.4	80429.0	635906.7	51621.7	597668.1

Source: Aruba Foreign Trade Statistics

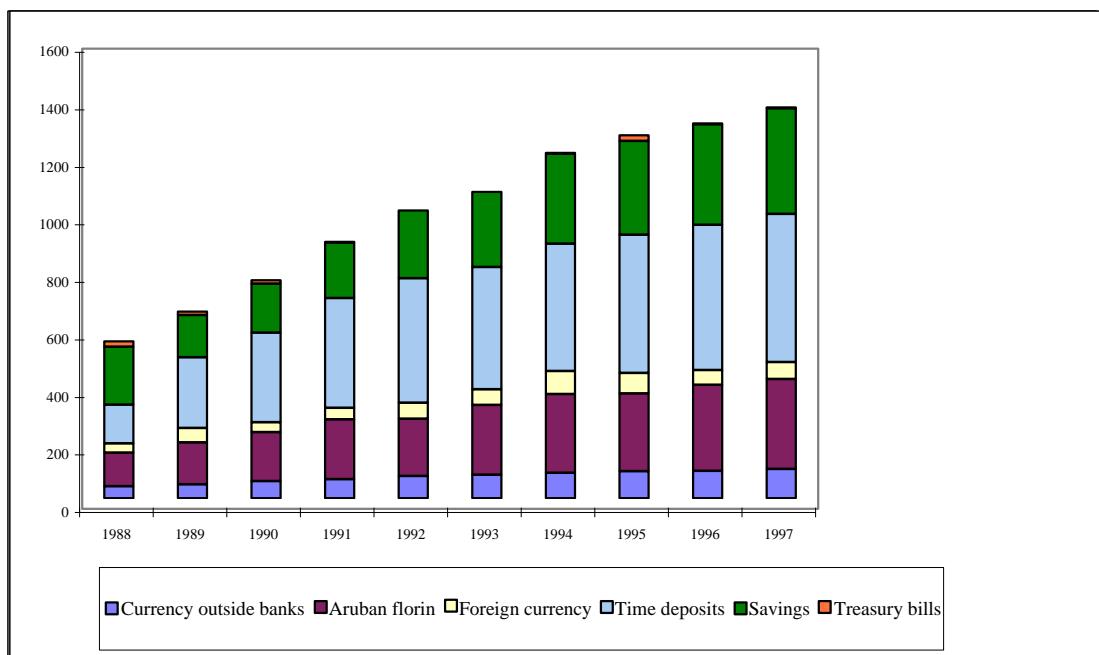
10. MONEY AND BANKING

1. COMPONENTS OF BROAD MONEY, DECEMBER 31

YEAR	MONEY			QUASI-MONEY				BROAD MONEY	
	Currency Outside banks	Demand deposits		Total	Other deposits		Treasury Bills		
		Aruban florin	Foreign currency		Savings	Time			
<u>in mln. AFL.</u>									
1988	41.1	116.6	32.2	189.8	201.0	135.5	19.2	355.7	
1989	48.4	144.9	50.1	243.4	146.8	245.7	13.3	405.8	
1990	59.2	170.2	34.7	264.1	169.8	311.2	12.7	493.7	
1991	66.2	207.3	40.5	314.0	192.3	381.1	2.0	575.4	
1992	76.3	199.8	55.2	331.3	236.6	432.8	0.0	889.4	
1993	81.7	242.1	54.1	377.9	260.8	425.9	0.0	1000.7	
1994	87.5	274.5	79.5	441.5	313.0	443.2	1.0	1198.7	
1995	93.7	270.3	71.4	435.4	326.0	480.4	19.5	1261.3	
1996	94.9	298.8	51.3	445.0	349.7	505.2	1.2	856.1	
1997	101.5	311.9	59.8	473.2	366.6	515.2	4.0	1359.0	

Source: Centrale Bank van Aruba

GRAPH 10A. COMPONENTS OF BROAD MONEY, DECEMBER 31



2. FOREIGN ASSETS, DECEMBER 31

YEAR	CENTRALE BANK VAN ARUBA			COMMERCIAL BANKS			Revaluation Differences	TOTAL
	Assets	Liabilities	Net	Assets	Liabilities	Net		
<u>in mln. AFL.</u>								
1988	173.3	0.9	172.4	195.4	218.2	-22.7		149.7
1989	202.1	2.5	199.6	231.6	203.9	27.7	37.6	189.7
1990	222.8	2.5	220.3	287.7	240.1	47.6	37.4	230.5
1991	261.4	0.1	261.3	347.9	274.4	73.5	37.5	297.3
1992	300.2	1.0	299.2	354.2	255.3	98.9	35.0	363.1
1993	370.2	12.5	357.7	382.3	288.5	93.8	34.3	485.8
1994	363.8	13.7	350.1	400.1	270.1	130.0	30.3	510.4
1995	435.0	1.1	433.9	373.3	291.3	82.0	37.6	553.5
1996	385.9	1.1	384.8	405.9	321.8	84.1	35.6	504.5
1997	358.6	2.5	356.1	460.9	388.6	72.3	39.7	388.7

Source: Centrale Bank van Aruba

3. DETAILED BALANCE SHEET OF THE CENTRALE BANK VAN ARUBA, DECEMBER 31

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<u>in mln. AFL.</u>					
<u>ASSETS</u>					
DOMESTIC					
Government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	10.6	11.4	14.7	18.2	17.6
FOREIGN					
Gold and Claims in gold	45.9	45.9	47.1	50.1	50.1
Convertible claims on :					
Banks	324.3	317.9	387.8	335.8	308.5
Government	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	380.8	375.2	449.6	404.1	376.2
<u>LIABILITIES</u>					
DOMESTIC:					
Capital & Reserves	26.0	25.7	28.8	34.9	36.5
Banknotes issued	88.0	94.7	104.5	110.2	115.8
Government	45.9	63.7	91.2	89.9	58.5
Development Funds	12.7	8.0	8.7	2.6	9.8
Official entities	2.3	2.2	5.9	5.7	3.0
Demand deposits commercial banks	31.3	29.9	20.4	6.6	17.7
Time deposits commercial banks	120.8	98.1	127.8	102.8	76.2
Private sector	1.3	2.2	9.6	1.7	2.7
Other	5.7	6.7	14.0	13.0	13.8
FOREIGN	12.5	13.7	1.1	1.1	2.5
REVALUATION of GOLD AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE HOLDINGS	34.3	30.3	37.6	35.6	39.7
TOTAL	380.8	375.2	449.6	404.1	376.2

Source: Centrale Bank van Aruba

5. OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATES (SELLING)

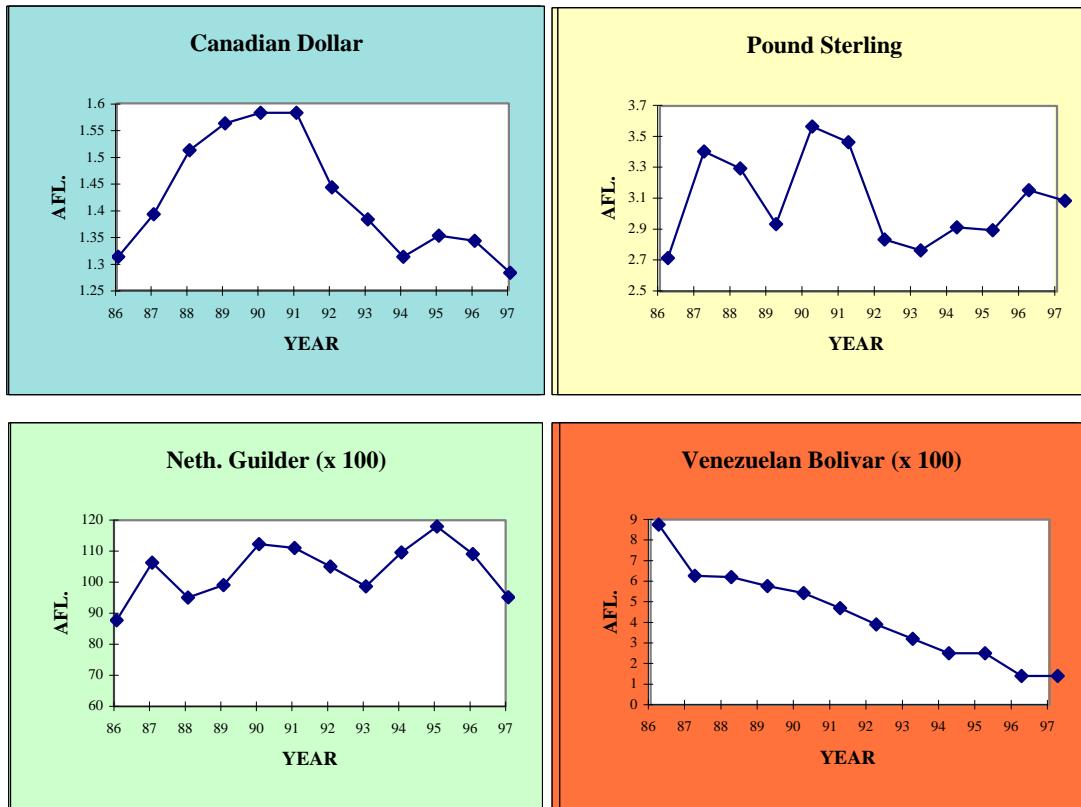
US\$ 1.⁰⁰ = AFL. 1,79

YEAR	CANADIAN DOLLAR (\$)		POUND STERLING		NETH. GUILDER (x 100)		SWISS FRANC (x 100)		FRENCH FRANC (x 100)		GERMAN MARK (x 100)		ITALAIAN LIRE (x 1000)		VENEZUELAN BOLIVAR (x 100)	
	PA	EP	PA	EP	PA	EP	PA	EP	PA	EP	PA	EP	PA	EP	PA	EP
1986	1.29	1.29	2.61	2.63	73.37	81.72	100.25	110.55	25.68	27.64	82.84	92.36	1.20	1.30	8.98	7.85
1987	1.34	1.37	2.91	3.32	88.30	100.30	120.14	139.88	29.53	33.05	99.55	112.89	1.36	1.50	6.26	5.37
1988	1.44	1.49	3.16	3.21	90.42	89.12	122.31	118.97	29.77	29.33	101.70	100.66	1.35	1.34	6.17	5.30
1989	1.50	1.54	2.90	2.85	84.08	93.05	109.15	115.23	27.66	30.51	94.90	105.15	1.28	1.38	5.34	4.86
1990	1.54	1.56	3.23	3.48	98.94	106.32	129.85	140.66	33.29	35.49	111.43	119.89	1.53	1.61	4.78	4.52
1991	1.57	1.56	3.20	3.38	96.52	105.05	125.76	132.45	32.21	34.87	108.72	118.31	1.48	1.59	4.03	3.80
1992	1.49	1.42	3.19	2.75	102.70	99.07	128.55	123.34	34.33	32.86	115.67	111.24	1.49	1.24	3.32	3.00
1993	1.40	1.36	2.72	2.68	96.69	92.63	121.59	121.27	31.94	30.71	108.55	103.57	1.17	1.08	2.58	2.30
1994	1.32	1.29	2.78	2.83	99.22	103.56	131.99	136.88	32.74	33.83	111.22	115.95	1.14	1.13	1.92	1.60
1995	1.32	1.33	2.85	2.81	111.99	111.97	152.05	155.91	36.25	36.88	125.39	125.27	1.13	1.16	1.60	1.60
1996	1.32	1.32	2.82	3.07	106.60	103.06	145.39	133.01	35.35	34.53	119.40	115.62	1.19	1.20	0.86	0.49
1997	1.30	1.26	2.96	3.00	92.17	89.14	123.84	123.51	31.03	30.24	103.68	100.41	1.08	1.05	0.49	0.49

PA = Period Average EP = End of Period

Source: Centrale Bank van Aruba, Caribbean Mercantile Bank

GRAPH 10B. OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATES (SELLING)



6. MORTGAGES, DECEMBER 31

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
NEW REGISTRATION:						
Number	1100	1366	1647	1781	1954	2578
Amount x AfL. 1000	413324	442961	478200	476927	331372	562719
CANCELLATIONS:						
Number	550	632	909	906	1060	1197
Amount x AfL. 1000	54662	272270	288194	164536	257450	604264
TOTAL of MORTGAGES REGISTERED:						
Number	7473	8207	8945	9820	10714	12095
Amount x AfL. 1000	1553834	1724525	1914531	2226922	2300844	2259299

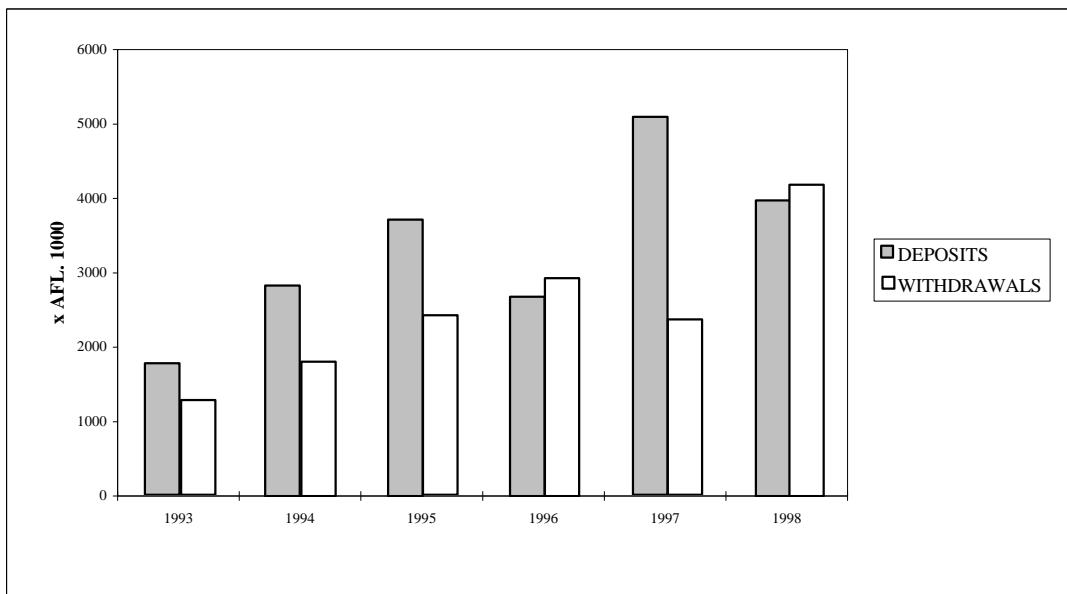
Source: Land Delineation and Property Registration Office

7. POSTAL SAVINGS BANK

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
AMOUNT x AfL. 1000						
DEPOSITS by ACCOUNT HOLDERS	1769	2828	3714	2681	5079	3974
WITHDRAWALS by ACC. HOLDERS	1272	1805	2413	2929	2359	4187
MORTGAGES GRANTED:						
Number	5	2	2	3	33	35
Amount x Af. 1000	203	179	310	110	3084	3515

Source: Post Office

GRAPH 10C. DEPOSITS/WITHDRAWALS ACCOUNT-HOLDERS POSTAL SAVINGS BANK



11. NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

1. GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (market prices)

YEAR	GDP mln. AFL.	Population	GDP per capita AFL.
1994	2381	80333	29639

Source: CBS

2. SHARE IN GDP BY EXPENDITURE 1994 (mln. AFL.)

Consumption	1558	Export	+ 1914
Gross Fixed Capital Formation	+ 697	Import	- 1799
Change in stocks	+ 12	Gross Domestic Product	= 2381

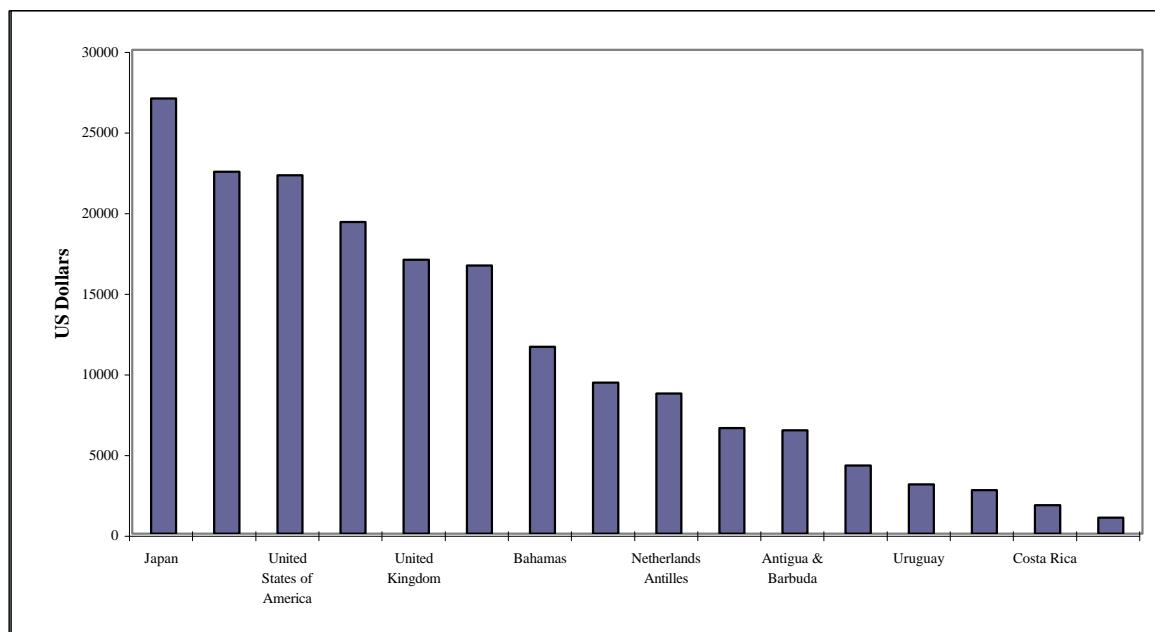
Source: CBS

3. GDP IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES (1994)

Country	Population mln	GDP mln US\$	GDP per capita US\$
Japan	124.02	3,346,411	26,983
Germany	75.17	1,686,557	22,436
United States of America	252.52	5,610,800	22,219
The Netherlands	15.05	290,720	19,318
United Kingdom	57.56	978,191	16,994
Aruba	0.08	1,330	16,630
Bahamas	0.26	3,013	11,588
Martinique	0.36	3,412	9,373
Netherlands Antilles	0.17	1,496	8,699
Barbados	0.26	1,687	6,539
Antigua & Barbuda	0.07	423	6,404
Trinidad & Tobago	1.25	5,275	4,217
Uruguay	3.11	9,479	3,046
Venezuela	19.76	53,440	2,705
Costa Rica	3.11	5,523	1,774
Dominican Republic	7.32	7,202	984

Sources: United Nations Statistical Pocket Book 1995 and CBS Aruba

GRAPH 11A. GDP PER CAPITA IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES (1994)



4. PARTIAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY INDEX AND THE INDUSTRIES (PEAI)

Year/ Qrt.	Part. Econ. Act. Index	Agricult., & Manuf. incl. oil ref.	Utilities	Construct.	Trade	Hotel & Rest.	Transp. & Comm.	Financial interm.	Housing	Publ. Adm. & education	Other bus. & non-bus. services
	index on 71.9%		6.7%	3.6%	7.2%	13.7%	15.9%	9.5%	5.3%	7.6%	14.4% 16.1%
94-1	96.0	NA	94.9	70.4	85.1	109.4	104.5	NA	98.8	97.6	NA
2	94.7	.	98.3	105.7	90.0	88.3	91.7	.	99.6	99.2	.
3	98.0	.	103.6	98.1	96.1	96.5	94.8	.	100.3	100.8	.
4	109.7	.	103.2	125.8	120.4	105.9	109.0	.	101.2	102.4	.
95-1	102.3	.	101.0	85.3	90.2	115.9	108.3	.	102.2	103.9	.
2	98.5	.	105.9	100.2	97.7	92.5	97.6	.	103.3	101.1	.
3	104.8	.	109.7	127.7	106.2	96.9	103.1	.	104.5	100.8	.
4	114.4	.	111.3	137.3	127.9	110.1	113.8	.	105.5	100.4	.
96-1	106.9	.	111.0	92.3	94.9	120.5	121.5	.	106.0	100.5	.
2	100.2	.	111.7	107.8	95.0	94.0	102.4	.	106.1	100.9	.
3	104.0	.	118.0	117.5	99.6	96.7	108.2	.	107.3	101.5	.
4	115.6	.	115.3	134.2	125.4	109.7	118.2	.	109.5	104.9	.
97-1	105.7	.	109.2	82.1	82.8	123.5	123.3	.	110.2	104.8	.
2	102.9	.	119.4	116.4	88.3	98.7	101.3	.	111.3	107.1	.
3	106.2	.	125.8	124.3	89.4	103.1	104.5	.	112.4	109.7	.
4	113.8	.	125.7	130.5	107.3	107.3	123.3	.	113.1	109.9	.

Source: CBS

12. PUBLIC FINANCE

1. TAX - INCOME OF ARUBA, DECEMBER 31

	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
<u>x Afl. 1000</u>					
DIRECT TAXES:					
Income tax	15071.2	14245.0	10714.0	8865.5	13084.1
Wage tax	124203.9	141605.1	150645.6	159970.1	176264.9
Solidarity tax	893.4	744.0	509.8	364.5	334.7
Profits tax	51939.4	54673.5	61550.9	62739.5	61981.3
Real Estate tax	2917	8221.4	8848.6	9411.6	12084.0
Land tax	-5.4 ^(*)	-2.8 ^(*)	-0.6 ^(*)	0.4 ^(*)	-0.1 ^(*)
Long lease	6397.4	7961.3	4967.7	7051.7	15706.1
Rented land	140.2	191.2	194.2	19.0	0.1
Stamp - duty	2859.1	2300.9	1194.5	1083.6	932.6
Property transfer tax	5274	3831.4	5234.1	5038.2	5323.8
Inheritance tax	752.4	2965.6	878.3	1492.3	1700.1
Motor - vehicle tax	9583	10280.2	11326.5	11434.2	14064.8
Tourist Room tax	14457.4	14980.7	18956.0	17225.4	18819.0
Casino tax	14415.8	14879.8	15620.0	14411.9	15215.7
Licence tax	0.3	-0.3	3.0	1.2	0.0
Exchange commission	14174	10866.7	17759.1	16842.1	20217.9
Fines	35	43.5	48.2	24.7	47.6
A.E.C. ⁽¹⁾	0	0	0	0	0
Other	1977.7	1844.7	1604.9	2025.0	2093.8
Total direct taxes	265085.8	289631.9	310054.8	318000.9	357870.4
INDIRECT TAXES:					
Import duties	89261.8	77310.6	87215.4	88163.8	88760.0
Excises on mineral oils	49066.8	55837.5	54757.9	54979.0	58414.1
Excises on distilled	9648.4	9163.4	10050.6	10949.9	10492.0
Excises on tobacco products	8771	10264.5	9834.1	9795.6	9921.3
Excises on beer	19117.8	18940.1	17699.3	19663.4	20081.0
Registration duty	1065.7	548.8	1122.2	669.5	1521.9
Custom retributions	1906.2	2227.2	2016.0	2454.1	2223.6
Bonded warehouse	13.3	9.7	5.1	7.5	6.5
Mortgage dues	0	0.2	0	0.1	32.7
Security	676.9	-1723	-1687.2	225.2	9.9
Transit duty	4901.8	4971.8	5067.2	4952.1	4783.3
Other	318.5	254.9	270.6	308.5	615.6
Total indirect taxes	184748.2	177805.7	186351.2	192168.7	196861.9
RETRIBUTIONS:					
Post - office	5417.7	5339.5	6722.3	5811.3	5527.4
Water and energy	108744.9	120085.7	130679.6	*	*
Telecommunication service	67347.2	83276.5	89997.0	104548.9	121539.4
Airport	19402.6	20741.7	23261.2	*	*
School fees	11.9	8.8	2.6	-0.1	611.8
Other	165.7	161.7	185.7	213.1	222.2
Total retrIBUTIONS	201090.0	229613.9	250848.4	110573.2	127900.8
TOTAL TAX - REVENUE	650924.0	697051.5	747254.4	620742.8	682633.1

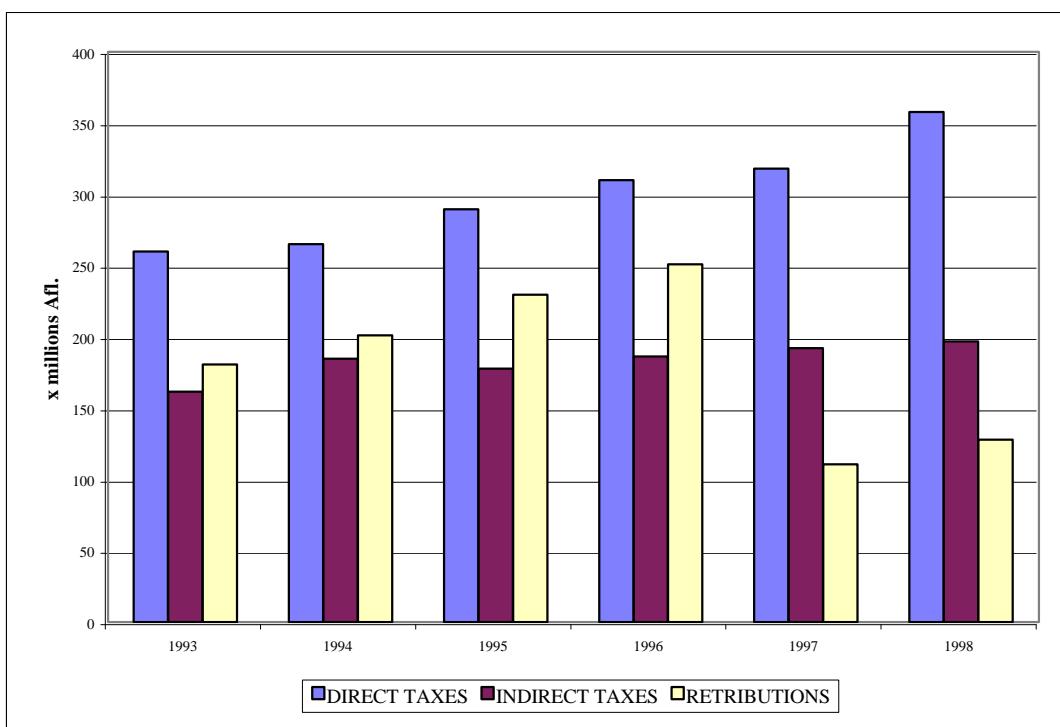
Source: Tax-Collectors Office, Centrale Bank van Aruba, Post-office, SETAR, Aruba Airport Authority, Water and Energy Company

¹⁾ Aruba Exempt Corporation (= A.V.V.).

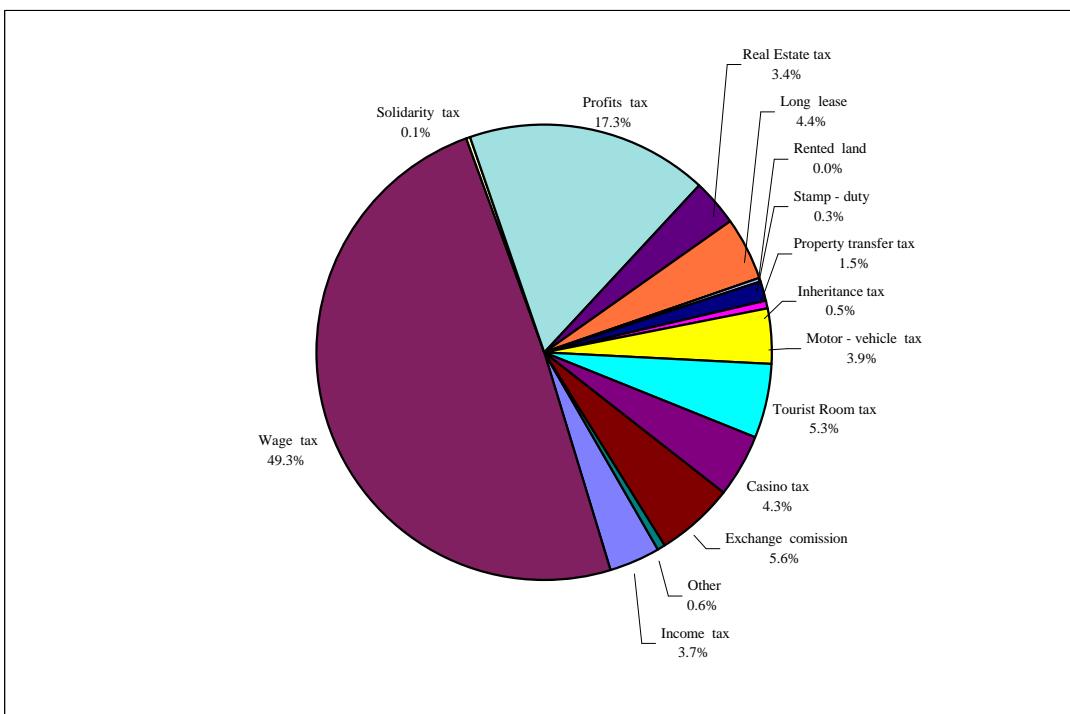
²⁾ Proceeds < Restitutions.

* In 1997 the Water and Energy Company and the Aruba Airport Authority were converted into limited liability companies; consequently no retrIBUTIONS are transferred to the Tax-Collectors Office by these companies.

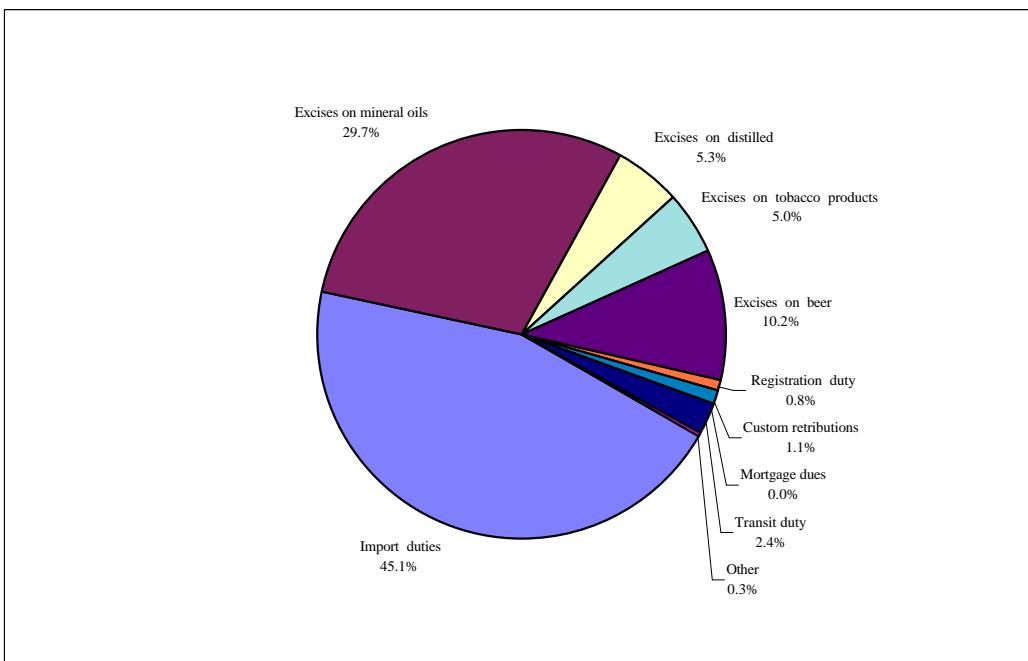
GRAPH 12A. TAX-INCOME OF ARUBA (TOTAL TAXES AND RETRIBUTIONS), 1993-1998



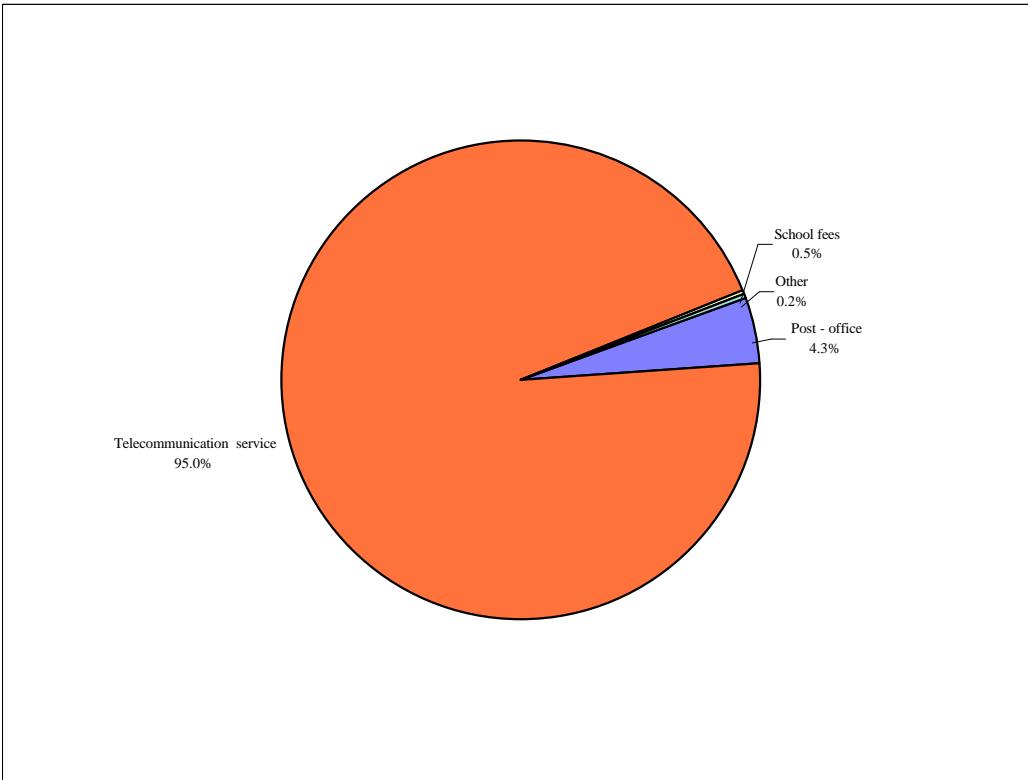
GRAPH 12B. TAX-INCOME OF ARUBA (DIRECT TAXES 1998)



GRAPH 12C. TAX-INCOME OF ARUBA (INDIRECT TAXES 1998)



GRAPH 12D. TAX-INCOME OF ARUBA (TOTAL RETRIBUTIONS 1998)



13. PRICES

Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (C.P.I.) measures changes in the level of consumer prices of goods and services over time. The C.P.I. can be used amongst others to measure inflation; for indexation by the government, e.g. taxes, pensions salaries, etc.; for inflation accounting; for deflation of National Accounts, in order to arrive at constant - prices.

Statistics on the C.P.I. have been compiled for Aruba since 1958

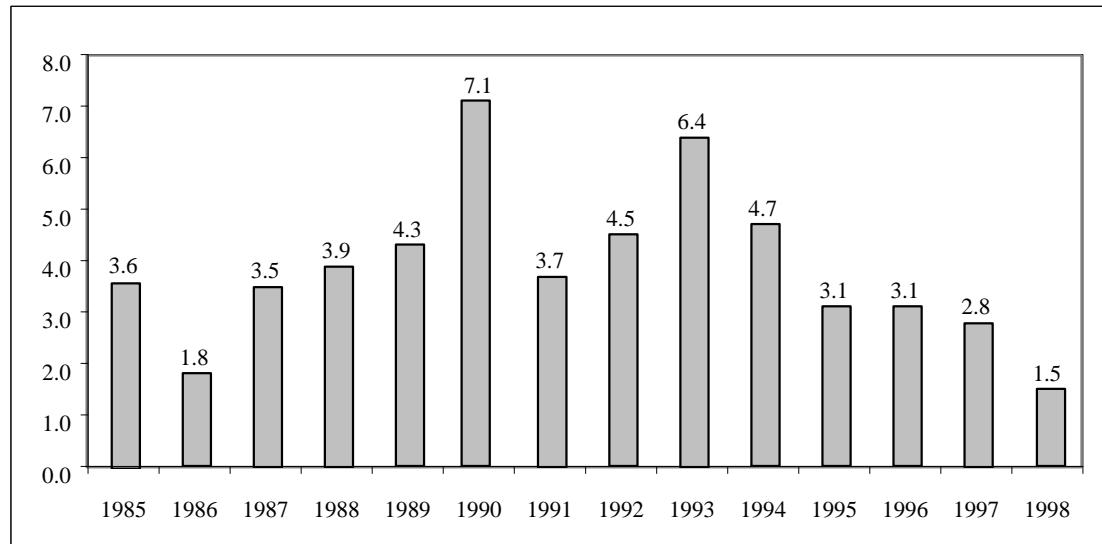
At present the C.B.S. compiles a general consumer price index, but also C.P.I.'s for both the Lower Income and Higher Income Groups of the population.

1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

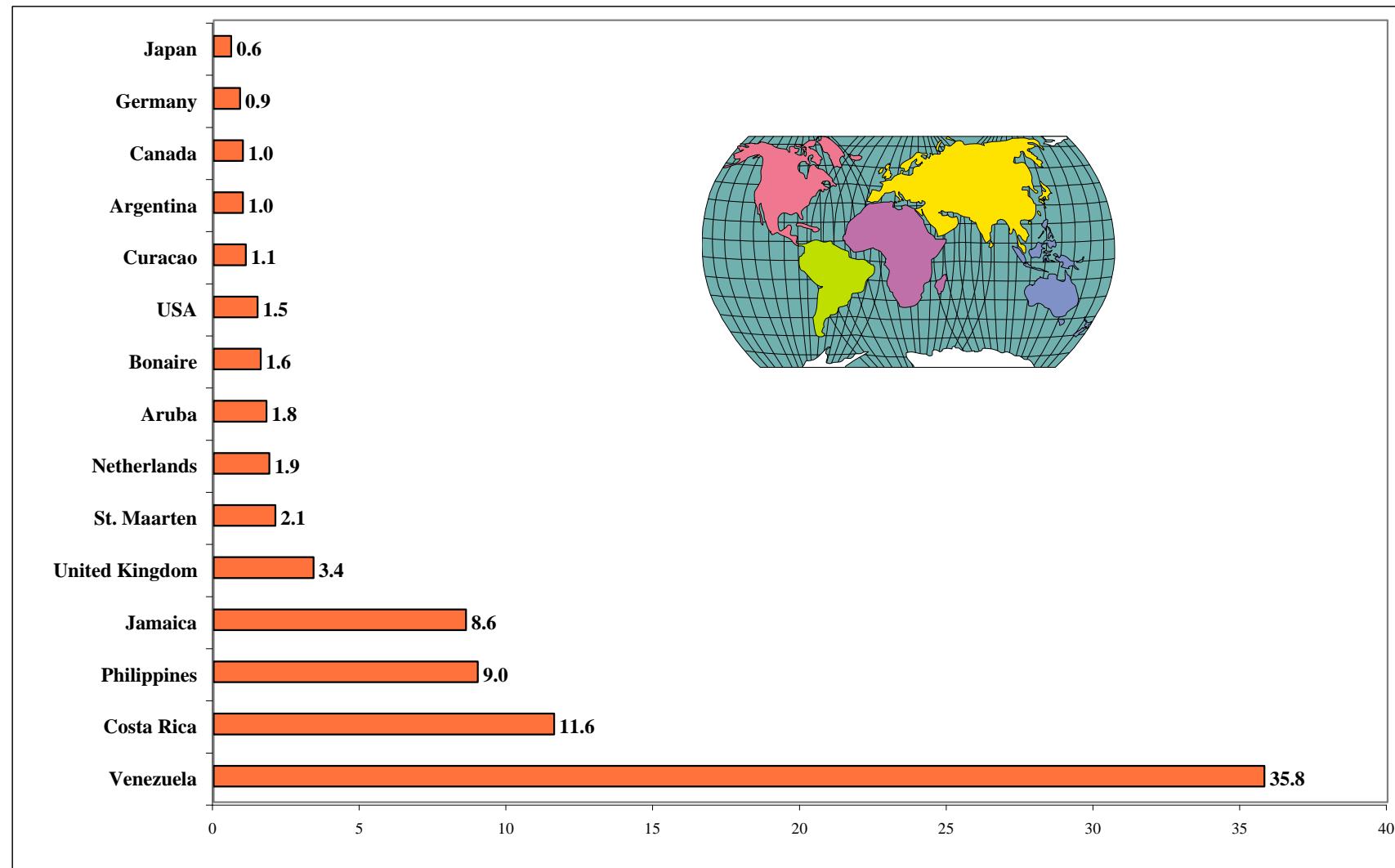
	Dec. '84=100	Chained to Aug. 1994=100	Percentage change (End of period)
Dec-84	100.0	65.8	.
Dec-85	103.6	68.2	3.6
Dec-86	105.5	69.5	1.8
Dec-87	109.2	71.9	3.5
Dec-88	113.5	74.7	3.9
Dec-89	118.4	77.9	4.3
Dec-90	126.8	83.5	7.1
Dec-91	131.5	86.5	3.7
Dec-92	137.4	90.5	4.5
Dec-93	146.2	96.2	6.4
Dec-94		100.8	4.7
Dec-95		103.9	3.1
Dec-96		107.1	3.1
Dec-97		110.1	2.8
Dec-98		111.7	1.5

Source: C.B.S.

GRAPH 13A. INFLATION IN ARUBA, 1985 - 1998 - TOTAL POPULATION



GRAPH 13B. INFLATION RATE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT TRADING PARTNERS, 1998



Source: International Financial Statistics (IMF)

1998 Period Average Inflation

2. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NUMBERS BY GROUPS AND SUB - GROUPS OF CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURES

AUGUST 1994 = 100

- TOTAL POPULATION -

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT 1994				12 MONTHS AVERAGE		
		1996 DEC.	1997 DEC.	1998 DEC.	1996	1997	1998
FOOD	1625	109.6	111.8	114.2	107.5	110.9	113.1
Cereal products	254	110.4	109.8	110.1	107.0	110.2	109.9
Meat and fish	403	109.9	113.6	115.4	108.1	112.5	114.4
Fats and cooking oils	31	111.0	113.0	112.5	110.3	111.6	112.2
Dairy products (except butter)	185	110.7	107.7	109.5	109.9	109.0	108.4
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	222	118.6	124.7	131.8	115.5	121.4	129.6
Sugar and chocolate	45	105.6	110.9	115.7	104.8	108.1	111.7
Prepared food	37	103.5	104.4	104.5	102.9	103.5	104.9
Outdoor - consumption	297	105.4	107.1	109.8	102.9	106.4	108.6
Food n.e.s.	150	104.1	107.2	109.0	103.2	105.9	108.3
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	254	105.2	108.0	108.5	104.9	106.9	108.5
Beverages	213	105.2	107.6	108.3	104.8	107.0	108.2
Tobacco	41	105.2	109.8	109.8	105.3	106.2	109.8
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	1134	115.5	120.6	129.6	112.0	117.5	124.9
Clothing	938	116.0	120.9	129.9	112.4	117.7	125.1
Footwear	196	113.2	119.2	128.2	110.4	116.5	124.0
HOUSING	1786	104.2	110.6	109.0	103.4	108.2	109.4
Dwelling cost	476	111.7	116.9	122.4	109.4	114.5	119.9
Energy expenses	486	99.8	106.6	94.3	99.7	103.5	99.0
Maintenance of dwelling	461	104.5	109.8	116.6	103.8	107.4	113.7
Garden maintenance	43	98.8	116.9	131.5	98.7	105.1	119.7
Water	316	100.0	107.7	97.1	100.0	109.7	102.2
Waterproduction	3	96.8	103.6	111.7	97.0	99.9	105.0
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	1039	108.6	110.4	113.1	107.2	109.1	111.9
Furniture and illumination	179	113.4	113.8	115.8	111.7	113.6	115.8
Upholstery and dwelling - textile	72	114.9	118.9	122.3	110.9	116.0	120.4
Household apparatus	261	107.0	108.3	109.6	106.3	106.3	108.9
Household articles	74	110.7	110.9	117.7	108.1	110.8	114.1
Household expenses n.e.s.	109	102.0	102.5	103.3	102.0	102.4	102.4
Domestic services	243	107.6	110.5	112.2	106.1	109.3	111.4
Household furnishing n.e.s.	100	107.5	111.4	120.5	106.1	108.9	116.8
MEDICAL CARE	307	111.5	112.1	112.7	109.6	111.9	112.5
Medical care	307	111.5	112.1	112.7	109.6	111.9	112.5
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	2072	103.0	104.1	103.3	102.4	104.0	103.9
Transport vehicles in ownership (not for business use)	556	104.3	109.7	109.7	104.3	108.5	109.7
Expenses for own transport vehicles (not for business use)	766	104.2	103.0	102.1	102.6	103.7	102.4
Transport services	416	101.0	101.4	102.1	100.8	101.3	101.7
Communication	334	100.5	100.7	96.9	100.4	100.6	100.5
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	808	108.3	110.9	112.6	106.9	109.6	111.9
Recreation	380	107.0	108.4	109.7	106.1	107.6	109.2
Entertainment and culture	104	107.1	110.1	111.7	105.7	108.9	110.9
Books, etc.	72	116.0	117.5	116.8	113.1	116.1	117.7
Education	248	108.3	112.9	115.9	106.8	110.8	114.5
Hobby articles	4	118.7	124.6	131.3	112.1	119.8	127.4
MISCELLANEOUS	975	104.0	106.1	107.3	103.1	105.2	106.8
Personal body care	208	102.0	104.6	106.5	101.6	103.4	105.6
Insurances	252	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.1	100.3	100.3
Commodities and services n.e.s.	494	106.7	109.5	110.9	105.1	108.3	110.4
Other n.e.s.	22	107.1	110.1	111.7	105.7	108.9	110.9
TOTAL INDEX	10000	107.1	110.1	111.7	105.7	108.9	110.9

Source: C.B.S.

3. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NUMBERS BY GROUPS AND SUB - GROUPS OF CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURES

AUGUST 1994 = 100

- LOWER INCOME GROUP -

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT 1994	1996 DEC.	1997 DEC.	1998 DEC.	12 MONTHS AVERAGE		
					1996	1997	1998
FOOD	1823	109.9	112.1	114.5	107.7	111.2	113.4
Cereal products	316	110.0	109.5	109.9			
Meat and fish	463	110.2	114.1	115.9			
Fats and cooking oils	43	111.1	113.0	112.4			
Dairy products (except butter)	206	110.7	107.3	109.4			
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	244	119.4	125.9	133.0			
Sugar and chocolate	49	107.0	111.4	115.0			
Prepared food	35	103.6	104.2	104.3			
Outdoor - consumption	280	105.5	107.2	110.0			
Food n.e.s.	188	104.1	107.3	109.3			
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	215	105.6	108.6	109.1	105.2	107.3	109.0
Beverages	166	105.6	108.3	108.9			
Tobacco	49	105.3	109.8	109.8			
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	1289	116.4	121.5	130.3	112.7	118.5	125.8
Clothing	1039	117.2	122.3	131.0			
Footwear	250	112.9	118.4	127.4			
HOUSING	2198	105.1	111.4	109.7	104.1	109.6	110.3
Dwelling cost	767	111.9	117.2	122.8			
Energy expenses	562	99.7	106.4	94.4			
Maintenance of dwelling	431	105.3	110.6	116.9			
Garden maintenance	21	99.4	126.9	146.6			
Water	417	100.0	107.7	97.1			
Waterproduction	-	-	-	-			
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	836	108.5	110.3	113.5	107.3	108.9	111.8
Furniture and illumination	114	111.6	111.2	112.9			
Upholstery and dwelling - textile	70	115.3	119.8	123.0			
Household apparatus	251	108.5	109.7	110.9			
Household articles	81	110.7	110.8	118.1			
Household expenses n.e.s.	119	102.0	102.3	103.2			
Domestic services	74	107.8	110.9	112.5			
Household furnishing n.e.s.	126	107.2	112.0	120.9			
MEDICAL CARE	314	115.2	115.7	116.3	112.7	115.6	116.1
Medical care	314	115.2	115.7	116.3			
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	1879	102.8	103.7	103.2	102.2	103.6	103.7
Transport vehicles in ownership (not for business use)	398	104.3	109.7	109.7			
Expenses for own transport vehicles (not for business use)	742	104.0	103.0	102.7			
Transport services	384	101.6	102.2	103.7			
Communication	355	100.2	100.3	96.3			
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	630	108.1	110.4	112.0	106.9	109.3	111.4
Recreation	313	107.1	108.1	109.4			
Entertainment and culture	77	107.8	110.9	112.5			
Books, etc.	64	112.0	113.0	112.5			
Education	174	108.6	113.1	116.0			
Hobby articles	3	118.7	124.6	131.3			
MISCELLANEOUS	816	104.4	106.6	107.9	103.3	105.7	107.3
Personal body care	188	101.9	104.9	106.8			
Insurances	198	100.3	100.4	100.4			
Commodities and services n.e.s.	415	107.3	110.3	111.7			
Other n.e.s.	15	107.8	110.9	112.5			
TOTAL INDEX	10000	107.8	110.9	112.5	106.2	109.6	111.7

Source: C.B.S.

4. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NUMBERS BY GROUPS AND SUB - GROUPS OF CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURES

AUGUST 1994 = 100

- HIGHER INCOME GROUP -

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT 1994	1996 DEC.	1997 DEC.	1998 DEC.	12 MONTHS AVERAGE		
					1996	1997	1998
FOOD	1537	109.9	111.6	114.1	107.7	110.7	113.0
Cereal products	227	110.0	109.9	110.3			
Meat and fish	376	110.2	113.3	115.1			
Fats and cooking oils	25	111.1	113.0	112.6			
Dairy products (except butter)	176	110.7	108.0	109.6			
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	212	119.4	124.2	131.1			
Sugar and chocolate	44	107.0	110.6	116.1			
Prepared food	38	103.6	104.5	104.6			
Outdoor - consumption	305	105.5	107.0	109.8			
Food n.e.s.	133	104.1	107.2	108.8			
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	271	105.6	107.8	108.3	105.2	106.7	108.3
Beverages	233	105.6	107.4	108.1			
Tobacco	37	105.3	109.8	109.8			
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	1065	116.4	120.1	129.2	112.7	117.0	124.4
Clothing	893	117.2	120.1	129.3			
Footwear	172	112.9	119.7	128.7			
HOUSING	1602	105.1	110.1	108.5	104.1	107.9	108.9
Dwelling cost	347	111.9	116.7	122.1			
Energy expenses	452	99.7	106.7	94.3			
Maintenance of dwelling	475	105.3	109.4	116.5			
Garden maintenance	53	99.4	115.1	128.8			
Water	271	100.0	107.7	97.1			
Waterproduction	5	-	103.6	111.7			
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	1129	108.5	110.3	112.9	107.3	109.1	111.9
Furniture and illumination	209	111.6	114.4	116.5			
Upholstery and dwelling - textile	73	115.3	118.5	122.1			
Household apparatus	266	108.5	107.8	109.0			
Household articles	71	110.7	110.9	117.5			
Household expenses n.e.s.	104	102.0	102.6	103.4			
Domestic services	319	107.8	110.2	111.9			
Household furnishing n.e.s.	88	107.2	111.1	120.4			
MEDICAL CARE	304	115.2	110.4	111.0	112.7	110.2	110.8
Medical care	304	115.2	110.4	111.0			
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	2158	102.8	104.3	103.3	102.2	104.1	104.0
Transport vehicles in ownership (not for business use)	626	104.3	109.7	109.7			
Expenses for own transport vehicles (not for business use)	777	104.0	103.0	101.8			
Transport services	430	101.6	101.2	101.5			
Communication	325	100.2	101.0	97.2			
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	888	108.1	110.9	112.7	106.9	109.6	111.9
Recreation	411	107.1	108.4	109.7			
Entertainment and culture	117	107.8	109.7	111.2			
Books, etc.	76	112.0	119.2	118.4			
Education	281	108.6	112.7	115.7			
Hobby articles	4	118.7	124.6	131.3			
MISCELLANEOUS	1046	104.4	105.9	107.0	103.3	105.0	106.5
Personal body care	217	101.9	104.5	106.3			
Insurances	275	100.3	100.3	100.3			
Commodities and services n.e.s.	528	107.3	109.1	110.6			
Other n.e.s.	24	107.8	109.7	111.2			
T O T A L I N D E X	10000	107.8	109.7	111.2	106.2	108.5	110.5

Source: C.B.S.

14. SOCIAL AFFAIRS

1. SOCIAL SECURITY

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<u>x AFL. 1000</u>					
General Old Age Insurance:					
Premiums received	50455	66587	94597	100179	103746
Amount paid	48128	60967	89465	96050	101487
General Widow's and Orphans Insurance:					
Premiums received	6727	12189	16694	17675	18308
Amount paid	4243	5516	7750	8093	8591
Accident Insurance:					
Premiums received	4600	7249	9200	12731	10559
Amount paid	2320	3985	4153	4019	6413
Illness Insurance:					
Premiums received	13702	29858	36800	49749	43466
Amount paid, of which:	27300	31387	35712	42450	48315
Sickness benefits	10800	10053	11456	14214	17269
Medical cost	16500	21334	24248	28236	31046

Source: Social Security Bank

2. MINIMUM WAGES (monthly AFL.), DECEMBER 31

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Industry	925.40	925.40	925.40	994.80	1025.35	1060.20	1088.85
Service / Trade	800.60	830.20	876.70	994.80	1025.35	1060.20	1088.85
Domestic servants	398.20	412.95	436.10	464.00	478.40	494.65	508.05

Source: Department of Labour

3. WELFARE BENEFITS

	Number of persons January	Total amount paid x Af. 1000
1996	3090	1029.8
1997	3462	1699.5
1998	3577	1770.2

Source: Department of Social Affairs

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