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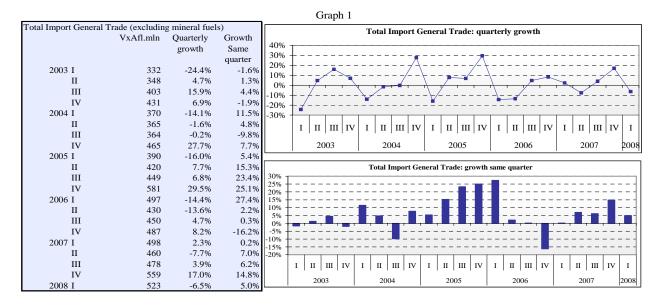
HIGHLIGHTS

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FOR ARUBA: FIRST QUARTER 2008

In the first quarter of 2008 the following developments have been registered in the international merchandise flows of Aruba.

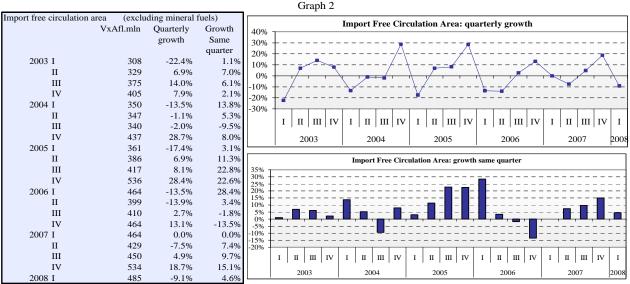
Trends in total Import and Export

During the first quarter of 2008 Aruba imported a total value of Afl. 523 million from the rest of the world. This represent an increase of 5% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. Total exports from Aruba increased by 3.3% during the first quarter of 2008 compared to the same quarter of the previous year. The total value of export during this quarter was Afl.33 million. (Graph 1)



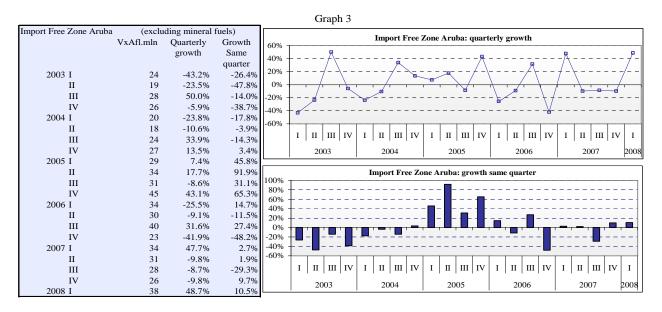
Merchandise trade in the free circulation area of Aruba

In the first quarter of 2008 import to the free circulation area of Aruba increased with 4.6% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. The value of import to this area was Afl. 485 million in the first quarter of 2008. The value of export from that same area increased with 13% compared to the same quarter of 2007, reaching a level of Afl. 9.7 million. (Graph2)



Import and Export to the Free Zone of Aruba

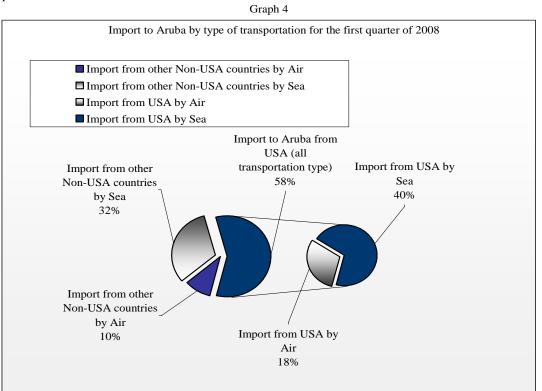
The value of import to the Free Zone of Aruba was Afl. 38 million. This represent an increase of 10.5% compared to the same quarter of the previous year. The value of Export from the Free Zone of Aruba during the first quarter of 2008 was Afl.23 million. This decrease in the Free Zone of Aruba took place mainly in the section of "Vegetable products". (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 2008, 72% of imports were by sea and 28% by air^{1} .

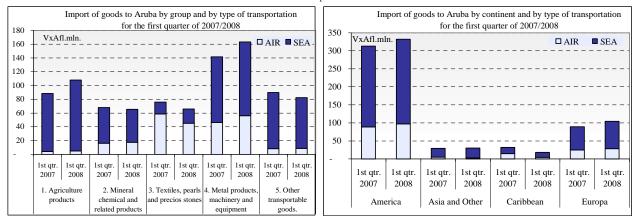
The USA had a share of 58% in imports to Aruba. From this share 40% was by sea, while 18% was by air¹. (Graph 4) Other customs information for the first quarter of 2008 indicated that the total number of containers² entering the free circulation area decreased with 2%, from 3605 containers during the first quarter of 2008 to 3660 containers in the first quarter of 2007.



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

In the first quarter of 2008 the value of import to the free circulation area of Aruba for air transport¹⁾ was Afl.133 million. For sea transportation the value of import to the free circulation area of Aruba was Afl.352 million which represent a growth of 6.6% and is mainly caused by an increase in the demand for "Agriculture products" from the continent of America. The continent of America remains the main import trade partner for transport of goods by air¹⁾ 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

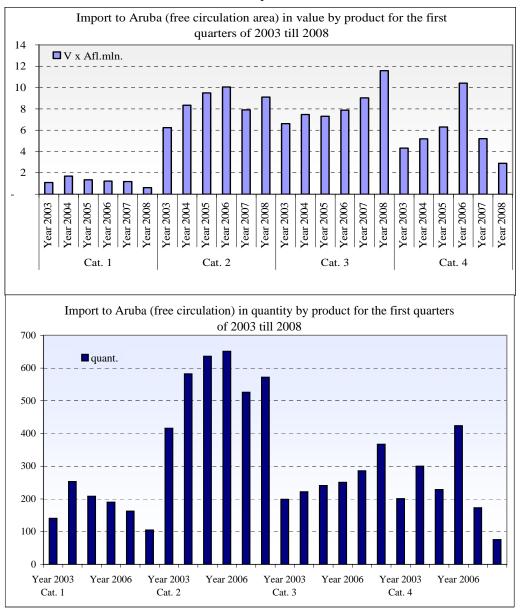
Graph 6 represent import to the free circulation area of Aruba by codification of companies classified according to the Aruban Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC). The ISIC of which the import increased the most for the first quarter of 2008 in percentage was "Minning, quarrying and electricity, gas and water supply" which for the first quarter of 2008 the import is 30 million in value. (Graph 6)

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Import to Aruba(free circulation area) in value by International S	Standard Indust	rial Classificati
VxAfl.mln (excluding mineral fuels)	1st. Qtr. '07	1st. Qtr. '08
Agriculture, hunting and forestry	2	2
Minning, quarrying and electricity, gas and water supply	7	30
Manufaturing	66	64
Construction	22	12
Sale, maintenance and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycle	27	28
Wholesale trade and commission trade	88	104
Retail trade and repair of goods	151	146
Hotels and restaurants	17	21
Transport, storage and comumunications	33	28
Financial intermediation	1	1
Real estate, renting and business activities	19	18
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	1	0
Education	0	0
Health and social work	6	9
Other community, social and personal service activities	10	7
Non classified	14	14
Total	464	485
Import to Aruba (free circulation area) by ty	pe of ISIC	
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Import to the free circulation area of Aruba for family automobile and motor vehicle for the transport of goods.

In the first quarter of 2008 import³⁾ of family automobile, four wheeler and motor vehicle for the transport of goods to the free circulation area of Aruba was Afl.24 million. For the same quarter of the previous year import was Afl. 23 million. This represent an increase of 3.8% compared to the same quarter of the previous year.(Graph 7)





Cat.1 Automobile and four wheeler, value less than afl.10.000^{*})

Cat.2 Automobile and four wheeler, between afl.10.001-20.000*)

Cat.3 Automobile and four wheeler, higher than afl.20.001*)

Cat.4 Motor vehicle for the transport of goods

*)For 2007 import includes pick-ups not intended for the transport of goods

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

²⁾Total containers reflect all container sizes including empty containers.

³⁾Includes new, used and wreck vehicles



Preface

The 2008 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 2003 till 2006 and over the quarters of 2007 and 2008. The figures pertaining to 2006 to 2008 should still be considered as provisional, while the trade statistics series for 2003 till 2005 are final. The CBS developed a system in which it became possible to process the Foreign Trade data according to General Trade 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 contacts us.

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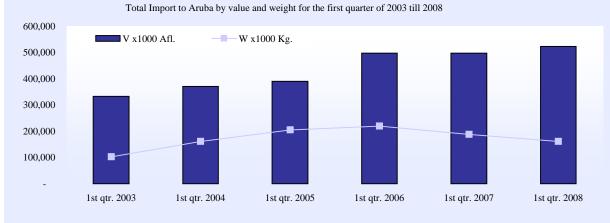
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I.a.1 Total Import and Export of goods to Aruba over the years 2003 till 2006 and over the quarters of 2007 and 2008 (in value and weight

Transactions over	ransactions over the years 2003 till 2006 and over the quarters of 2007 and 2008											
		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 2003	1,417,860	97,315	1,515,175	571,974	63,965	635,939						
Year 2004	1,474,406	89,181	1,563,587	641,222	53,257	694,480						
Year 2005	1,700,791	140,087	1,840,877	819,171	88,815	907,986						
Year 2006	1,736,659	127,329	1,863,988	946,930	64,850	1,011,779						
1st qtr. 2007	463,592	34,410	498,002	182,666	4,816	187,482						
2nd qtr. 2007	428,753	31,032	459,785	161,251	4,435	165,686						
3rd qtr. 2007	449,558	28,341	477,899	193,527	2,602	196,128						
4th qtr. 2007	533,560	25,562	559,122	202,911	2,471	205,382						
1st qtr. 2008	484,925	38,009	522,934	158,129	2,876	185,505						

Transactions over	r the years 2003 till	2006 and over the quarters of 2	007 and 2008			
		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 2003	35,943	111,020	146,963	7,694	64,063	71,757
Year 2004	40,248	102,000	142,248	9,894	52,197	62,091
Year 2005	36,062	146,138	182,200	10,160	86,849	97,009
Year 2006	46,373	148,674	195,047	11,336	71,349	82,685
1st qtr. 2007	8,638	23,138	31,777	1,982	5,160	7,142
2nd qtr. 2007	15,513	22,671	38,184	5,132	4,463	9,595
3rd qtr. 2007	13,039	25,010	38,049	2,861	2,073	4,934
4th qtr. 2007	18,616	48,907	67,523	2,658	4,334	6,992
1st qtr. 2008	9,765	23,098	32,863	2,193	1,383	3,576

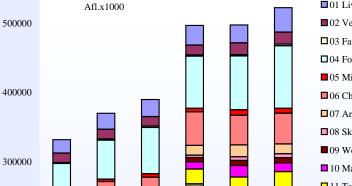






I.a.2 Import of goods to Aruba by sections over the first quarter of 2007 and 2008 (in value and weight)

Section (021) in value	V x1000 Afl.						
for the first quarter of 2007-2008		1st qtr. 2007			1st qtr. 2008		
	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	25,974		25,974	35,347		35,347	
02 Vegetable products	14,997	1,946	16,943	16,704	568	17,272	
03 Fats and oils	1,835		1,835	2,282		2,282	
04 Food products	45,520	32,175	77,694	53,510	37,007	90,517	
05 Mineral products	8,014		8,014	7,155		7,155	
06 Chemical products	42,764		42,764	44,248	11	44,259	
07 Artificial plastic elements	17,184	0	17,184	14,105	1	14,105	
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	5,338		5,338	5,799	0	5,799	
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	7,308		7,308	7,380		7,380	
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	16,628	42	16,670	12,659	33	12,692	
11 Textile fibers and articles	21,591	44	21,634	24,976	13	24,989	
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	4,764	100	4,864	5,983	224	6,207	
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	12,784		12,784	10,509		10,509	
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	44,237		44,237	29,275		29,275	
15 Base metals and derivated works	32,537		32,537	40,254	2	40,256	
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	85,490	90	85,580	93,419	65	93,484	
17 Transport equipment	30,790		30,790	32,532	67	32,599	
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	23,540		23,540	29,486		29,486	
19 Arms and ammunition	23		23	2		2	
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	19,237	13	19,250	16,438	19	16,457	
21 Art-objects and collectors items	3,039		3,039	2,863		2,863	



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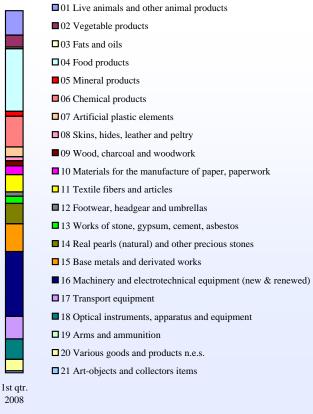
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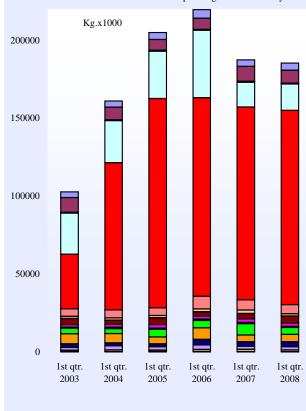
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Total Import of goods to Aruba by sections for the first quarter of 2003 till 2008





Section (021) by weight	W x1000 Kg.							
for the first quarter of 2007-2008	1st qtr. 2007				1st qtr. 2008			
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import		
01 Live animals and other animal products	4,208		4,208	4,695		4,695		
02 Vegetable products	6,868	2,645	9,513	7,364	883	8,247		
03 Fats and oils	579		579	537		537		
04 Food products	13,853	2,164	16,017	14,975	1,984	16,958		
05 Mineral products	123,773		123,773	100,218		100,218		
06 Chemical products	6,598		6,598	5,889	0	5,889		
07 Artificial plastic elements	2,101	0	2,101	1,420	0	1,420		
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	108		108	110	0	110		
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	3,452		3,452	4,516		4,516		
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	2,247	1	2,248	2,033	1	2,033		
11 Textile fibers and articles	664	1	666	637	0	637		
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	140	2	142	154	4	158		
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	7,267		7,267	4,382		4,382		
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	15		15	12		12		
15 Base metals and derivated works	4,273		4,273	4,695	0	4,695		
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	2,974	3	2,977	3,175	2	3,176		
17 Transport equipment	1,916		1,916	2,114	2	2,115		
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	150		150	101		101		
19 Arms and ammunition	0		0	0		0		
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	1,351	0	1,351	992	1	993		
21 Art-objects and collectors items	129		129	111		111		



Total Import of goods to Aruba by sections for the first quarter of 2003 till 2008

■01 Live animals and other animal products ■02 Vegetable products □03 Fats and oils □ 04 Food products ■ 05 Mineral products ■06 Chemical products □ 07 Artificial plastic elements ■08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry ■ 09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork ■ 10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork □ 11 Textile fibers and articles ■ 12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas ■ 13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos 14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones 15 Base metals and derivated works ■ 16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed) ■ 17 Transport equipment 18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment

□ 19 Arms and ammunition

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

□ 21 Art-objects and collectors items



I.b.1. Import of goods to Aruba by sections over the years 2003 till 2006 and over the quarters of 2007 and 2008

Section 01 Live an	imals and other animal p	roducts				
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total
Year 2003	86,305	369	86,675	17,437	168	17,605
Year 2004	94,721	148	94,869	16,895	52	16,947
Year 2005	98,481		98,481	17,696		17,696
Year 2006	102,383		102,383	18,208		18,208
1st qtr. 2007	25,974		25,974	4,208		4,208
2nd qtr. 2007	27,107		27,107	4,669		4,669
3rd qtr. 2007	27,582		27,582	4,425		4,425
4th qtr. 2007	29,086		29,086	4,075		4,075
1st qtr. 2008	35,347		35,347	4,695		4,695

Section 02 Vegetal	ole 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 2003	50,212	6,216	56,429	27,507	13,122	40,630
Year 2004	54,879	3,788	58,667	27,549	7,191	34,740
Year 2005	54,707	2,657	57,364	26,831	3,316	30,148
Year 2006	56,817	3,962	60,779	28,484	5,749	34,232
1st qtr. 2007	14,997	1,946	16,943	6,868	2,645	9,513
2nd qtr. 2007	15,172	1,686	16,857	7,676	2,835	10,511
3rd qtr. 2007	15,156	721	15,877	7,200	1,098	8,298
4th qtr. 2007	16,294	487	16,781	7,213	825	8,037
1st qtr. 2008	16,704	568	17,272	7,364	883	8,247

Section 03 Fats and	1 oils					
		V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.	
		Import to Free Zone			Import to Free Zone	
	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import
Year 2003	6,074		6,074	1,833		1,833
Year 2004	6,513		6,513	1,930		1,930
Year 2005	7,292		7,292	2,044		2,044
Year 2006	6,423		6,423	2,001		2,001
1st qtr. 2007	1,835		1,835	579		579
2nd qtr. 2007	2,088		2,088	640		640
3rd qtr. 2007	1,826		1,826	529		529
4th qtr. 2007	2,084		2,084	549		549
1st qtr. 2008	2,282		2,282	537		537

Section 04 Food pr	oducts					
		V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.	
		Import to Free Zone			Import to Free Zone	
	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import
Year 2003	155,821	88,492	244,313	51,669	50,382	102,051
Year 2004	168,874	82,644	251,518	54,987	45,541	100,527
Year 2005	176,242	134,362	310,603	54,903	85,025	139,927
Year 2006	190,988	121,799	312,787	58,263	58,864	117,127
1st qtr. 2007	45,520	32,175	77,694	13,853	2,164	16,017
2nd qtr. 2007	46,771	29,005	75,776	13,235	1,581	14,816
3rd qtr. 2007	48,206	27,099	75,305	13,928	1,440	15,367
4th qtr. 2007	58,749	24,776	83,525	15,835	1,629	17,463
1st qtr. 2008	53,510	37,007	90,517	14,975	1,984	16,958



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 2003	17,624		17,624	355,097		355,097
Year 2004	17,375		17,375	425,939		425,939
Year 2005	23,989		23,989	586,990		586,990
Year 2006	26,831		26,831	699,375		699,375
1st qtr. 2007	8,014		8,014	123,773		123,773
2nd qtr. 2007	5,866		5,866	103,151		103,151
3rd qtr. 2007	8,671		8,671	135,320		135,320
4th qtr. 2007	7,393		7,393	141,773		141,773
1st qtr. 2008	7,155		7,155	100,218		124,718

Section 06 Chemic	al 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 2003	146,486	798	147,284	24,161	229	24,390
Year 2004	158,649	823	159,471	22,096	190	22,286
Year 2005	163,121	928	164,048	23,689	277	23,966
Year 2006	177,055	345	177,399	29,407	171	29,578
1st qtr. 2007	42,764		42,764	6,598		6,598
2nd qtr. 2007	49,009		49,009	7,169		7,169
3rd qtr. 2007	43,776		43,776	5,740		5,740
4th qtr. 2007	48,540		48,540	6,599		6,599
1st qtr. 2008	44,248	11	44,259	5,889	0	5,889

Section 07 Artificia	al 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 2003	45,341	67	45,408	6,064	19	6,083
Year 2004	47,673	93	47,767	6,380	15	6,395
Year 2005	53,180	81	53,261	6,522	16	6,538
Year 2006	58,485	43	58,527	6,482	7	6,489
1st qtr. 2007	17,184	0	17,184	2,101	0	2,101
2nd qtr. 2007	16,491	0	16,491	1,687	0	1,687
3rd qtr. 2007	15,456	66	15,522	1,638	20	1,658
4th qtr. 2007	16,377	1	16,378	1,731	0	1,731
1st qtr. 2008	14,105	1	14,105	1,420	0	1,420

Section 08 Skins, h	ides, 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 2003	9,763	50	9,813	328	3	330
Year 2004	10,765	28	10,793	424	1	425
Year 2005	12,530	24	12,554	429	1	430
Year 2006	14,692	20	14,711	429	1	430
1st qtr. 2007	5,338		5,338	108		108
2nd qtr. 2007	4,571	3	4,574	106	0	106
3rd qtr. 2007	4,772	0	4,772	114	0	114
4th qtr. 2007	6,471	1	6,472	132	0	132
1st qtr. 2008	5,799	0	5,799	110	0	110



Section 09 Wood, o	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 2003	21,091	6	21,097	13,564	4	13,568
Year 2004	24,009	62	24,071	12,833	39	12,872
Year 2005	26,427	3	26,430	14,700	1	14,702
Year 2006	30,431	15	30,446	15,823	7	15,830
1st qtr. 2007	7,308		7,308	3,452		3,452
2nd qtr. 2007	6,817		6,817	2,953		2,953
3rd qtr. 2007	8,835		8,835	5,190		5,190
4th qtr. 2007	7,060		7,060	3,017		3,017
1st qtr. 2008	7,380		7,380	4,516		4,516

Section 10 Materia	ls for the manufacture of	paper, paperwork				
		V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.	
		Import to Free Zone			Import to Free Zone	
	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import
Year 2003	42,497	60	42,557	7,253	6	7,259
Year 2004	43,704	166	43,871	7,238	8	7,246
Year 2005	50,005	204	50,209	8,074	25	8,099
Year 2006	49,014	89	49,103	7,888	3	7,891
1st qtr. 2007	16,628	42	16,670	2,247	1	2,248
2nd qtr. 2007	12,655		12,655	1,992		1,992
3rd qtr. 2007	13,205	24	13,228	1,926	1	1,926
4th qtr. 2007	15,860		15,860	2,349		2,349
1st qtr. 2008	12,659	33	12,692	2,033	1	2,033

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 2003	79,309	157	79,466	2,904	3	2,906
Year 2004	87,070	199	87,269	3,357	102	3,460
Year 2005	86,666	169	86,835	3,278	3	3,281
Year 2006	89,759	132	89,891	3,141	3	3,144
1st qtr. 2007	21,591	44	21,634	664	1	666
2nd qtr. 2007	20,585	31	20,616	703	1	703
3rd qtr. 2007	20,639	7	20,646	593	0	593
4th qtr. 2007	33,485	56	33,542	1,002	1	1,003
1st qtr. 2008	24,976	13	24,989	637	0	637

Section 12 Footwe	ar, headgear and umbrella	<u>15</u>				
		V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.	
		Import to Free Zone			Import to Free Zone	
	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import
Year 2003	15,066	688	15,754	542	16	558
Year 2004	19,286	544	19,830	728	12	739
Year 2005	20,360	479	20,839	703	11	714
Year 2006	19,724	644	20,368	624	19	643
1st qtr. 2007	4,764	100	4,864	140	2	142
2nd qtr. 2007	5,247	143	5,390	146	3	149
3rd qtr. 2007	5,041	87	5,128	148	2	150
4th qtr. 2007	7,713	96	7,809	203	2	205
1st qtr. 2008	5,983	224	6,207	154	4	158



Section 13 Works of	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 2003	32,593	1	32,593	17,835	0	17,835
Year 2004	34,169	104	34,273	17,022	59	17,081
Year 2005	52,229	230	52,459	21,731	81	21,812
Year 2006	48,138	81	48,219	25,118	15	25,133
1st qtr. 2007	12,784		12,784	7,267		7,267
2nd qtr. 2007	12,259		12,259	5,992		5,992
3rd qtr. 2007	11,051		11,051	4,954		4,954
4th qtr. 2007	14,173		14,173	6,368		6,368
1st qtr. 2008	10,509		10,509	4,382		4,382

Section 14 Real pea	arls (natural) and other p	recious 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 2003	69,621		69,621	38		38
Year 2004	80,071		80,071	42		42
Year 2005	73,319		73,319	36		36
Year 2006	70,138		70,138	47		47
1st qtr. 2007	44,237		44,237	15		15
2nd qtr. 2007	16,334		16,334	9		9
3rd qtr. 2007	11,747		11,747	8		8
4th qtr. 2007	57,232		57,232	15		15
1st qtr. 2008	29,275		29,275	12		12

Section 15 Base me	etals 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 2003	122,033	35	122,068	21,723	2	21,726
Year 2004	104,593	62	104,655	19,394	5	19,399
Year 2005	169,794	97	169,891	22,700	7	22,707
Year 2006	160,827	14	160,841	22,645	2	22,647
1st qtr. 2007	32,537		32,537	4,273		4,273
2nd qtr. 2007	38,023		38,023	5,652		5,652
3rd qtr. 2007	46,898		46,898	5,340		5,340
4th qtr. 2007	38,600	2	38,602	5,583	0	5,583
1st qtr. 2008	40,254	2	40,256	4,695	0	4,695

Section 16 Machine	ery and electrotechnical e	quipment (new & ren	ewed)			
		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 2003	266,611	74	266,685	9,377	1	9,378
Year 2004	232,092	334	232,426	8,441	30	8,471
Year 2005	313,662	368	314,030	11,296	21	11,317
Year 2006	318,869	25	318,894	11,584	1	11,585
1st qtr. 2007	85,490	90	85,580	2,974	3	2,977
2nd qtr. 2007	77,676	0	77,676	2,185	0	2,185
3rd qtr. 2007	82,566	17	82,583	2,485	0	2,486
4th qtr. 2007	74,591	1	74,592	2,285	0	2,285
1st qtr. 2008	93,419	65	93,484	3,175	2	3,176



Section 17 Transpo	ort equipment					
		V x1000 Afl.		W x1000 Kg.		
		Import to Free Zone			Import to Free Zone	
	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import
Year 2003	119,954	84	120,037	8,695	4	8,699
Year 2004	134,131	106	134,237	9,649	11	9,660
Year 2005	146,133	407	146,541	10,177	29	10,206
Year 2006	150,367	87	150,454	9,867	8	9,875
1st qtr. 2007	30,790		30,790	1,916		1,916
2nd qtr. 2007	28,375	135	28,510	1,673	15	1,688
3rd qtr. 2007	30,780	200	30,981	1,855	20	1,874
4th qtr. 2007	35,987	135	36,123	2,142	14	2,156
1st qtr. 2008	32,532	67	32,599	2,114	2	2,115

Section 18 Optical	instruments, apparatus a	nd 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 2003	66,135	74	66,209	468	0	468
Year 2004	72,375	16	72,391	590	0	590
Year 2005	84,479	42	84,521	649	0	649
Year 2006	69,289		69,289	591		591
1st qtr. 2007	23,540		23,540	150		150
2nd qtr. 2007	18,860		18,860	100		100
3rd qtr. 2007	19,598		19,598	133		133
4th qtr. 2007	33,922		33,922	132		132
1st qtr. 2008	29,486		29,486	101		101

Section 19 Arms an	nd ammunition							
		V x1000 Afl.		W x1000 Kg.				
		Import to Free Zone			Import to Free Zone			
	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import		
Year 2003	104	74	178	4	1	5		
Year 2004	233	10	244	7	0	7		
Year 2005	203	4	207	7	0	7		
Year 2006	224	32	256	4	1	6		
1st qtr. 2007	23		23	0		0		
2nd qtr. 2007	44	18	62	0	0	1		
3rd qtr. 2007	5		5	0		0		
4th qtr. 2007	124		124	6		6		
1st qtr. 2008	2		2	0		0		

Section 20 Various	goods and products n.e.s	<u>.</u>						
		V x1000 Afl.		W x1000 Kg.				
		Import to Free Zone			Import to Free Zone			
	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import		
Year 2003	56,077	71	56,148	4,978	5	4,983		
Year 2004	69,762	52	69,815	5,011	3	5,013		
Year 2005	74,759	32	74,791	6,066	3	6,069		
Year 2006	80,374	42	80,416	6,225	1	6,226		
1st qtr. 2007	19,237	13	19,250	1,351	0	1,351		
2nd qtr. 2007	22,173	10	22,183	1,389	1	1,390		
3rd qtr. 2007	28,177	121	28,297	1,784	21	1,805		
4th qtr. 2007	27,147	7	27,154	1,775	0	1,775		
1st qtr. 2008	16,438	19	16,457	992	1	993		

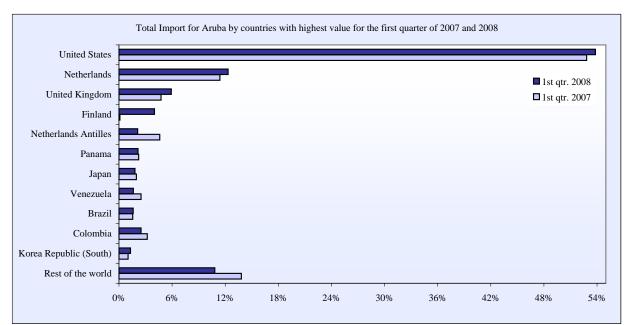


Section 21 Art-obje	ects and collectors items							
		V x1000 Afl.		W x1000 Kg.				
		Import to Free Zone			Import to Free Zone			
	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Aruba	Total Import		
Year 2003	9,142		9,142	497		497		
Year 2004	13,464		13,464	709		709		
Year 2005	13,213		13,213	649		649		
Year 2006	15,832		15,832	723		723		
1st qtr. 2007	3,039		3,039	129		129		
2nd qtr. 2007	2,630		2,630	124		124		
3rd qtr. 2007	5,572		5,572	215		215		
4th qtr. 2007	2,672		2,672	128		128		
1st gtr. 2008	2,863		2,863	111		111		

I.b.2 Import of goods by the 11 most important countries over the first quarter of 2007 and 2008 (in value and weight)

Import by country in value			V x1000 Afl.											
		1st qtr. 2007			1st qtr. 2008									
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import								
United States	263,080	49	263,129	281,461	50	281,511								
Netherlands	56,594	220	56,813	64,479	2	64,481								
United Kingdom	2,457	21,228	23,685	1,640	29,222	30,862								
Finland	513		513	20,983		20,983								
Netherlands Antilles	22,960		22,960	11,036	11	11,047								
Panama	10,950	115	11,065	10,999	256	11,255								
Japan	9,795		9,795	9,488		9,488								
Venezuela	11,486	922	12,409	8,412	70	8,482								
Brazil	7,699		7,699	8,329	74	8,403								
Colombia	6,885	9,056	15,942	7,428	5,584	13,011								
Korea Republic (South)	5,090		5,090	6,772		6,772								
Rest of the world	66,083	2,820	68,903	53,898	2,740	56,639								
Total	463,592	34,410	498,002	484,925	38,009	522,934								

Import by country in weight			W x10	000 Kg.					
		1st qtr. 2007			1st qtr. 2008				
	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import	Import to Aruba	Import to Free Zone Aruba	Total Import			
United States	29,299	18	29,317	31,870	18	39,388			
Netherlands	8,933	10	8,943	8,136	0	8,136			
United Kingdom	519	1,342	1,861	303	1,403	1,707			
Finland	5		5	788		788			
Netherlands Antilles	1,583		1,583	1,384	0	1,384			
Panama	472	2	474	372	5	377			
Japan	497		497	577		577			
Venezuela	12,976	79	13,055	4,495	2	4,497			
Brazil	3,161		3,161	2,840	10	2,850			
Colombia	23,979	638	24,617	14,860	358	32,218			
Korea Republic (South)	396		396	482		482			
Rest of the world	100,848	2,726	103,574	92,022	1,080	93,103			
Total	182,666	4,816	187,482	182,629	2,876	185,505			





I.b.3. Import of goods to Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2008 (in value and weight)

Section (021) in value					V x10	000 Afl.					
for the first quarter of 2008	Import to Aruba										
	United States	Netherlands	Finland	Netherlands Antilles	Panama	Japan	Venezuela	Brazil	Colombia	Korea Republic (South)	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	15,167	8,644		255	118		1,132	4,352	229		5,450
02 Vegetable products	10,034	1,988		59			1,915	70	895		1,744
03 Fats and oils	1,659	99		10	0		3		52		460
04 Food products	32,278	10,057		1,329	300		1,418	405	1,041	85	6,598
05 Mineral products	1,452	171		91	0		13	76	2,409		2,943
06 Chemical products	25,711	7,253	6	3,045	3,065	9	643	15	127		4,374
07 Artificial plastic elements	8,726	1,995		389	73	332	354	17	176	91	1,951
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	2,756	377	0	113	612		23	2	46		1,869
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	2,821	416		41	87		32	1,425	191		2,367
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	7,910	2,288	51	443	41	5	256	327	434	1	903
11 Textile fibers and articles	13,030	1,808	4	1,457	3,979	0	182	128	580	3	3,804
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	3,237	410	0	219	1,194	0	149	35	59		679
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	4,614	2,020		65	31	46	284	579	457	3	2,409
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	26,716	6		251	14		0	0	3		2,284
15 Base metals and derivated works	29,513	7,156	21	238	192	20	1,470	21	283	8	1,332
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	55,657	7,720	20,724	1,653	774	438	308	131	236	170	5,608
17 Transport equipment	11,010	1,179	173	891	44	8,620	98	740	19	6,403	3,354
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	18,385	6,004	2	193	289	15	63	4	8	8	4,513
19 Arms and ammunition	2										
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	10,344	2,716	0	147	187	2	67	2	177	0	2,796
21 Art-objects and collectors items	439	2,172		150				0	2		100
Total	281,461	64,479	20,983	11,036	10,999	9,488	8,412	8,329	7,428	6,772	55,538

Section (021) by weight					W x1	000 Kg.					
for the first quarter of 2008	Import to Aruba										
	United States	Netherlands	Finland	Netherlands Antilles	Panama	Japan	Venezuela	Brazil	Colombia	Korea Republic (South)	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	1,851	914		54	20		99	927	60		769
02 Vegetable products	3,572	831		31			1,460	40	185		1,245
03 Fats and oils	399	15		2	0		1		9		112
04 Food products	8,122	2,872		323	83		1,096	114	279	35	2,051
05 Mineral products	3,313	285		195	0		44	103	13,706		82,571
06 Chemical products	3,519	508	2	402	26	0	1,056	26	22		327
07 Artificial plastic elements	824	198		38	6	41	40	1	25	8	237
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	47	5	0	8	11		0	0	1		39
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	1,626	66		9	21		27	829	85		1,853
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	1,364	164	24	65	3	0	21	147	53	0	191
11 Textile fibers and articles	356	37	0	47	64	0	4	1	19	0	109
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	80	6	0	6	34	0	2	1	1		24
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	997	441		20	6	52	251	604	312	1	1,698
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	9	0		0	0		0	0	0		3
15 Base metals and derivated works	3,127	1,047	1	31	12	1	219	0	43	0	214
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	1,494	396	576	76	42	21	160	2	41	25	340
17 Transport equipment	626	120	185	48	2	461	4	43	6	412	205
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	75	13	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	8
19 Arms and ammunition	0										
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	445	145	0	17	39	0	8	0	12	0	325
21 Art-objects and collectors items	22	73		11				0	0		5
Total	39,370	8,136	788	1,384	372	577	4,495	2,840	31,860	482	92,326



I.b.4. Import of goods to Free Zone Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2008 (in value and weight)

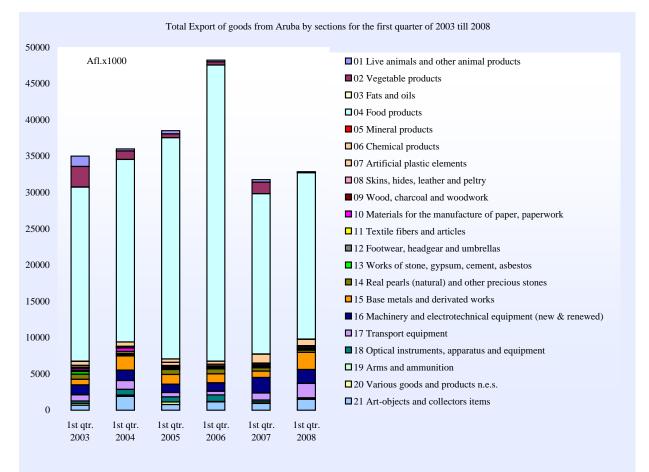
Section (021) in value				V x1000) Afl.					
for the first quarter of 2008	Import to Free Zone Aruba									
	United Kingdom	Colombia	Paraguay	Uruguay	Mexico	Guyana	Panama	Rest of the world		
02 Vegetable products						527		41		
04 Food products	29,222	5,584	800	693	585			123		
06 Chemical products								11		
07 Artificial plastic elements							0	0		
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry							0			
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork								33		
11 Textile fibers and articles							13			
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas							224			
15 Base metals and derivated works								2		
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)								65		
17 Transport equipment								67		
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.							19			
Total	29,222	5,584	800	693	585	527	256	342		

Section (021) by weight				W x100	0 Kg.					
for the first quarter of 2008	Import to Free Zone Aruba									
	United Kingdom	Colombia	Paraguay	Uruguay	Mexico	Guyana	Panama	Rest of the world		
02 Vegetable products						833		50		
04 Food products	1,403	358	61	51	83			28		
06 Chemical products								0		
07 Artificial plastic elements							0	0		
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry							0			
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork								1		
11 Textile fibers and articles							0			
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas							4			
15 Base metals and derivated works								0		
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)								2		
17 Transport equipment								2		
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.							1			
Total	1,403	358	61	51	83	833	5	82		

I.c.1 Export of goods from Aruba by sections over the first quarter of 2007 and 2008 (in value and weight)

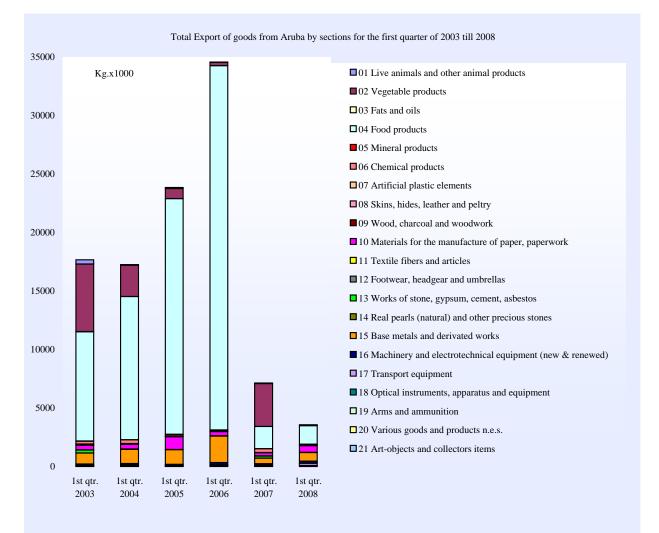
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Section (021) in value			V x100	00 Afl.			
for the first quarter of 2007-2008		1st qtr. 2007		1st qtr. 2008			
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	
01 Live animals and other animal products	344		344	52		52	
02 Vegetable products	42	1,547	1,589	33	54	88	
03 Fats and oils	1		1	1		1	
04 Food products	613	21,500	22,112	473	22,469	22,941	
05 Mineral products	3		3	4		4	
06 Chemical products	1,238		1,238	886	11	897	
07 Artificial plastic elements	88		88	52	11	63	
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	21	0	21	15	1	16	
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	42		42	72		72	
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	171	28	199	199	7	206	
11 Textile fibers and articles	153	2	156	98	17	115	
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	10	57	67	0	94	95	
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	73		73	36		36	
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	455		455	319		319	
15 Base metals and derivated works	888		888	2,362		2,362	
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	2,137		2,137	1,770	155	1,926	
17 Transport equipment	980		980	1,708	269	1,977	
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	264		264	45		45	
19 Arms and ammunition	1		1	6		6	
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	191	4	195	133	11	144	
21 Art-objects and collectors items	925		925	1,502		1,502	





Section (021) by weight			W x10	00 Kg.				
for the first quarter of 2007-2008		1st qtr. 2007			1st qtr. 2008			
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export		
01 Live animals and other animal products	52		52	5		5		
02 Vegetable products	7	3,663	3,671	7	74	81		
03 Fats and oils	0		0	0		0		
04 Food products	408	1,494	1,902	322	1,269	1,591		
05 Mineral products	6		6	0		0		
06 Chemical products	326		326	103	0	103		
07 Artificial plastic elements	9		9	4	0	5		
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry	1	0	1	0	0	0		
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	3		3	18		18		
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	263	1	263	571	0	571		
11 Textile fibers and articles	21	0	22	12	0	12		
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	0	1	2	0	2	2		
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos	168		168	2		2		
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	1		1	0		0		
15 Base metals and derivated works	482		482	739		739		
renewed)	125		125	155	11	166		
17 Transport equipment	56		56	167	26	193		
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	2		2	1		1		
19 Arms and ammunition	0		0	0		0		
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	7	0	7	13	0	13		
21 Art-objects and collectors items	44		44	73		73		





I.c.2. Export of goods from Aruba by sections for the years 2003 till 2006 and over the quarters of 2007 and 2008

Section 01 Live a	nimals 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 2003	2,443	1,544	3,987	475	973	1,448		
Year 2004	2,596	148	2,744	288	52	340		
Year 2005	1,596		1,596	234		234		
Year 2006	1,227		1,227	153		153		
1st qtr. 2007	344		344	52		52		
2nd qtr. 2007	310		310	35		35		
3rd qtr. 2007	280		280	28		28		
4th qtr. 2007	169		169	19		19		
1st qtr. 2008	52		52	5		5		

Section 02 Vegeta	able 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 2003	125	6,958	7,083	44	14,478	14,522
Year 2004	163	4,309	4,472	59	8,506	8,564
Year 2005	117	2,720	2,837	136	3,819	3,955
Year 2006	46	3,190	3,236	28	4,082	4,110
1st qtr. 2007	42	1,547	1,589	7	3,663	3,671
2nd qtr. 2007	89	1,903	1,992	16	3,226	3,242
3rd qtr. 2007	68	196	264	10	396	406
4th qtr. 2007	82	748	830	18	1,620	1,638
1st qtr. 2008	33	54	88	7	74	81

Section 03 Fats and oils									
		V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.				
		Export from Free			Export from Free				
	Export from Aruba	Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Zone Aruba	Total Export			
Year 2003	21		21	10		10			
Year 2004	1		1	0		0			
Year 2005	1		1	0		0			
Year 2006	0		0	0		0			
1st qtr. 2007	1		1	0		0			
2nd qtr. 2007	3		3	1		1			
3rd qtr. 2007	0		0	0		0			
4th qtr. 2007	1		1	0		0			
1st qtr. 2008	1		1	0		0			

Section 04 Food p	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 2003	2,612	100,796	103,409	1,406	48,364	49,770	
Year 2004	2,612	96,619	99,231	1,525	43,550	45,075	
Year 2005	2,955	142,517	145,473	1,847	82,945	84,793	
Year 2006	2,781	144,880	147,661	2,097	67,210	69,307	
1st qtr. 2007	613	21,500	22,112	408	1,494	1,902	
2nd qtr. 2007	526	20,600	21,126	458	1,208	1,666	
3rd qtr. 2007	564	24,304	24,868	362	1,629	1,991	
4th qtr. 2007	779	47,970	48,750	385	2,707	3,092	
1st qtr. 2008	473	22,469	22,941	322	1,269	1,591	



Section 05 Miner	al 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 2003	15		15	23		23
Year 2004	33		33	19		19
Year 2005	0		0	0		0
Year 2006	0		0	0		0
1st qtr. 2007	3		3	6		6
2nd qtr. 2007	0		0	0		0
3rd qtr. 2007	2		2	0		0
4th qtr. 2007	0		0	1		1
1st qtr. 2008	4		4	0		0

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 2003	2,948	433	3,381	1,083	139	1,222		
Year 2004	2,475	266	2,741	712	67	779		
Year 2005	2,367	231	2,598	1,225	39	1,265		
Year 2006	2,460	43	2,503	666	18	683		
1st qtr. 2007	1,238		1,238	326		326		
2nd qtr. 2007	1,376	2	1,378	1,810	1	1,810		
3rd qtr. 2007	1,146	0	1,147	69	0	69		
4th qtr. 2007	4,492		4,492	233		233		
1st qtr. 2008	886	11	897	103	0	103		

Section 07 Artific	cial plastic elements					
		V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.	
		Export from Free			Export from Free	
	Export from Aruba	Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2003	1,002	0	1,002	376	0	376
Year 2004	946	9	955	246	2	248
Year 2005	1,071	62	1,133	191	14	205
Year 2006	453	0	453	133	0	133
1st qtr. 2007	88		88	9		9
2nd qtr. 2007	252		252	28		28
3rd qtr. 2007	159		159	16		16
4th qtr. 2007	69	12	82	7	1	8
1st qtr. 2008	52	11	63	4	0	5

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 2003	177	35	212	2	1	3
Year 2004	108	27	134	2	1	3
Year 2005	207	18	225	4	1	5
Year 2006	136	9	146	4	0	4
1st qtr. 2007	21	0	21	1	0	1
2nd qtr. 2007	98	0	98	3	0	3
3rd qtr. 2007	133	0	133	1	0	1
4th qtr. 2007	97	0	98	2	0	2
1st qtr. 2008	15	1	16	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 2003	275		275	72		72
Year 2004	251		251	55		55
Year 2005	163		163	19		19
Year 2006	291		291	41		41
1st qtr. 2007	42		42	3		3
2nd qtr. 2007	366		366	83		83
3rd qtr. 2007	27		27	2		2
4th qtr. 2007	151		151	62		62
1st qtr. 2008	72		72	18		18

Section 10 Mater	ials for the manufacture of	f 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 2003	548	43	590	1,226	13	1,239
Year 2004	879	94	972	905	3	908
Year 2005	554	111	666	2,040	4	2,044
Year 2006	527	87	614	1,779	4	1,783
1st qtr. 2007	171	28	199	263	1	263
2nd qtr. 2007	207	15	222	307	0	308
3rd qtr. 2007	150	11	160	292	0	292
4th qtr. 2007	167	8	175	421	0	421
1st qtr. 2008	199	7	206	571	0	571

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 2003	404	73	477	35	1	36		
Year 2004	915	64	980	75	1	76		
Year 2005	814	75	888	72	1	73		
Year 2006	703	65	768	85	1	87		
1st qtr. 2007	153	2	156	21	0	22		
2nd qtr. 2007	204	2	206	21	0	22		
3rd qtr. 2007	229	1	230	21	0	21		
4th qtr. 2007	344	10	354	37	0	37		
1st qtr. 2008	98	17	115	12	0	12		

Section 12 Footw	ear, headgear and umbrel	las				
		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 2003	20	486	506	1	10	11
Year 2004	30	369	399	1	9	10
Year 2005	86	292	378	2	7	9
Year 2006	58	227	285	1	5	6
1st qtr. 2007	10	57	67	0	1	2
2nd qtr. 2007	10	62	71	0	1	2
3rd qtr. 2007	14	72	86	0	1	2
4th qtr. 2007	12	112	125	0	2	2
1st qtr. 2008	0	94	95	0	2	2



Section 13 Works	s of stone, gypsum, cemer	nt, 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 2003	653		653	294		294
Year 2004	798	0	798	86	0	86
Year 2005	403		403	110		110
Year 2006	373	102	476	58	26	84
1st qtr. 2007	73		73	168		168
2nd qtr. 2007	30	1	31	26	0	26
3rd qtr. 2007	166	46	212	108	2	110
4th qtr. 2007	86	1	86	43	0	43
1st qtr. 2008	36		36	2		2

Section 14 Real p	earls (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 2003	2,511		2,511	0		0	
Year 2004	3,049		3,049	2		2	
Year 2005	3,104		3,104	1		1	
Year 2006	1,781		1,781	1		1	
1st qtr. 2007	455		455	1		1	
2nd qtr. 2007	367		367	0		0	
3rd qtr. 2007	67		67	0		0	
4th qtr. 2007	1,474		1,474	1		1	
1st qtr. 2008	319		319	0		0	

Section 15 Base n	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 2003	3,102	3	3,105	1,808	0	1,808					
Year 2004	6,189	0	6,189	4,742	0	4,742					
Year 2005	4,499		4,499	2,664		2,664					
Year 2006	7,051	41	7,092	4,700	1	4,701					
1st qtr. 2007	888		888	482		482					
2nd qtr. 2007	5,180		5,180	1,881		1,881					
3rd qtr. 2007	2,771		2,771	1,464		1,464					
4th qtr. 2007	2,788		2,788	942		942					
1st qtr. 2008	2,362		2,362	739		739					

Section 16 Machi	nery and electrotechnical	equipment (new & rei	newed)				
		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 2003	6,668	371	7,040	193	75	268	
Year 2004	5,399	8	5,407	409	1	410	
Year 2005	4,786	2	4,788	613	0	613	
Year 2006	11,076	0	11,077	663	0	663	
1st qtr. 2007	2,137		2,137	125		125	
2nd qtr. 2007	1,632	29	1,661	234	20	254	
3rd qtr. 2007	1,210		1,210	213		213	
4th qtr. 2007	2,941		2,941	186		186	
1st qtr. 2008	1,770	155	1,926	155	11	166	



Section 17 Trans	port 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 2003	3,024		3,024	219		219	
Year 2004	3,522	25	3,547	240	1	242	
Year 2005	3,169	81	3,250	402	17	419	
Year 2006	4,466		4,466	391		391	
1st qtr. 2007	980		980	56		56	
2nd qtr. 2007	1,205	52	1,258	68	6	74	
3rd qtr. 2007	1,219	310	1,529	102	30	132	
4th qtr. 2007	1,744	39	1,783	141	3	144	
1st qtr. 2008	1,708	269	1,977	167	26	193	

Section 18 Optica	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 2003	1,007	93	1,101	4	0	4					
Year 2004	2,387	28	2,415	9	0	9					
Year 2005	1,645		1,645	13		13					
Year 2006	1,559		1,559	19		19					
1st qtr. 2007	264		264	2		2					
2nd qtr. 2007	1,375		1,375	11		11					
3rd qtr. 2007	789		789	3		3					
4th qtr. 2007	512		512	2		2					
1st qtr. 2008	45		45	1		1					

Section 19 Arms and ammunition										
		V x1000 Afl.		W x1000 Kg.						
		Export from Free			Export from Free					
	Export from Aruba	Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Zone Aruba	Total Export				
Year 2003	2	0	2	0	0	0				
Year 2004		0	0		0	0				
Year 2005	4	4	8	0	0	0				
Year 2006		5	5		1	1				
1st qtr. 2007	1		1	0		0				
3rd qtr. 2007	2	2	4	0	0	0				
1st qtr. 2008	6		6	0		0				

Section 20 Variou	is goods and products n.e	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 2003	535	184	719	71	8	79	
Year 2004	425	34	459	52	3	55	
Year 2005	1,463	26	1,489	179	1	180	
Year 2006	1,199	23	1,222	79	1	80	
1st qtr. 2007	191	4	195	7	0	7	
2nd qtr. 2007	115	4	119	13	0	13	
3rd qtr. 2007	340	68	408	29	14	43	
4th qtr. 2007	103	6	109	24	0	24	
1st qtr. 2008	133	11	144	13	0	13	

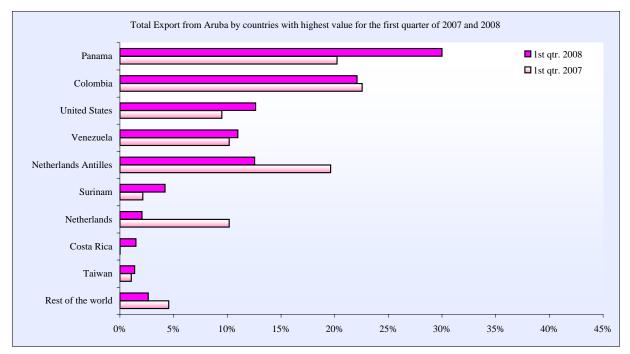


Section 21 Art-ob	jects and collectors items	3				
		V x1000 Afl.			W x1000 Kg.	
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export
Year 2003	7,849		7,849	352		352
Year 2004	7,470		7,470	468		468
Year 2005	7,056		7,056	407		407
Year 2006	10,186		10,186	438		438
1st qtr. 2007	925		925	44		44
2nd qtr. 2007	2,166		2,166	136		136
3rd qtr. 2007	3,703		3,703	141		141
4th qtr. 2007	2,604		2,604	135		135
1st qtr. 2008	1,502		1,502	73		73

I.c.3 Export of goods by the 10 most important countries over the first quarter of 2007 and 2008 (in value and weight)

Export by country in value			V x10	00 Afl.				
		1st qtr. 2007		1st qtr. 2008				
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export		
Panama	19	6,408	6,427	110	9,746	9,856		
Colombia	54	7,116	7,170	75	7,184	7,259		
United States	3,015		3,015	4,150		4,150		
Venezuela	831	2,405	3,236	372	3,236	3,608		
Netherlands Antilles	2,068	4,170	6,238	2,750	1,375	4,125		
Surinam	14	662	676	21	1,361	1,382		
Netherlands	1,574	1,659	3,233	654	19	674		
Costa Rica	3		3	491		491		
Taiwan	336		336	451		451		
Rest of the world	725	718	1,443	690	176	866		
Total	8,638	23,138	31,777	9,765	23,098	32,863		

Export by country in weight		W x1000 Kg.								
		1st qtr. 2007		1st qtr. 2008						
	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export	Export from Aruba	Export from Free Zone Aruba	Total Export				
Panama	2	288	290	55	418	474				
Colombia	29	572	601	22	522	544				
United States	260		260	418		418				
Venezuela	269	158	427	107	201	308				
Netherlands Antilles	479	242	721	349	53	402				
Surinam	4	46	50	2	106	108				
Netherlands	241	3,264	3,504	111	24	135				
Costa Rica	0		0	8		8				
Taiwan	530		530	876		876				
Rest of the world	169	591	759	245	59	303				
Total	1,982	5,160	7,142	2,193	1,383	3,576				





I.c.4. Export of goods from Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2008 (in value and weight)

Section (021) in value				V x1000) Afl.			
for the first quarter of 2008				Export from	n Aruba			
	United States	Netherlands Antilles	Netherlands	Costa Rica	Taiwan	Venezuela	Panama	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	3	25	2			21		0
02 Vegetable products	2	16		1				14
03 Fats and oils						1		
04 Food products	31	261	2			8	57	113
05 Mineral products		4						
06 Chemical products	589	132	82			25	28	30
07 Artificial plastic elements	26	21				3	0	2
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry		13				1		0
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	40	9	14			0		8
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	11	100	1		61	2	17	8
11 Textile fibers and articles	13	13	2			9		61
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	0	0						
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos		32				0	2	2
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	313	6						
15 Base metals and derivated works	911	824	66		390	29		141
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	1,085	394	19			88	1	184
17 Transport equipment	137	756	223	490		79		23
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	19	9	13			2		4
19 Arms and ammunition								6
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	54	65				4	0	9
21 Art-objects and collectors items	917	68	230			100	5	182
Total	4,150	2,750	654	491	451	372	110	786

Section (021) by weight				W x100	0 Kg.			
for the first quarter of 2008				Export from	n Aruba			
	United States	Netherlands Antilles	Netherlands	Costa Rica	Taiwan	Venezuela	Panama	Rest of the world
01 Live animals and other animal products	0	3	0			2		0
02 Vegetable products	1	3		0				3
03 Fats and oils						0		
04 Food products	5	181	0			1	53	82
05 Mineral products		0						
06 Chemical products	84	6	1			0	1	10
07 Artificial plastic elements	1	2				1	0	0
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry		0				0		0
09 Wood, charcoal and woodwork	17	0	0			0		0
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork	6	18	0		546	0	0	0
11 Textile fibers and articles	1	1	0			2		8
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas	0	0						
13 Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos		2				0	0	0
14 Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones	0	0						
15 Base metals and derivated works	179	8	90		330	15		118
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)	54	70	0			20	0	11
17 Transport equipment	41	39	11	7		47		21
18 Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment	0	0	0			0		0
19 Arms and ammunition								0
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	1	9				1	0	2
21 Art-objects and collectors items	29	6	8			18	0	12
Total	418	349	111	8	876	107	55	268



I.c.5. Export of goods from Free Zone Aruba by the most important countries by sections over the first quarter of 2008 (in value and weight)

Section (021) in value	V x1000 Afl. Export from Free Zone Aruba								
for the first quarter of 2008									
	Panama	Colombia	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Surinam	Paraquay	Rest of the world		
02 Vegetable products							54		
04 Food products	9,745	7,156	2,822	1,285	1,361	100			
06 Chemical products		11							
07 Artificial plastic elements			11						
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry				1					
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork		4					3		
11 Textile fibers and articles		13		2			2		
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas		2		61			31		
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)			155						
17 Transport equipment			248	21					
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	1			5			5		
Total	9,746	7,184	3,236	1,375	1,361	100	96		

Section (021) by weight	W x1000 Kg.								
for the first quarter of 2008			Export f	om Free Zone Aruba					
	Panama	Colombia	Venezuela	Netherlands Antilles	Surinam	Paraquay	Rest of the world		
02 Vegetable products							74		
04 Food products	418	522	165	51	106	7			
06 Chemical products		0							
07 Artificial plastic elements			0						
08 Skins, hides, leather and peltry				0					
10 Materials for the manufacture of paper, paperwork		0					0		
11 Textile fibers and articles		0		0			0		
12 Footwear, headgear and umbrellas		0		1			1		
16 Machinery and electrotechnical equipment (new & renewed)			11						
17 Transport equipment			24	2					
20 Various goods and products n.e.s.	0			0			0		
Total	418	522	201	53	106	7	75		



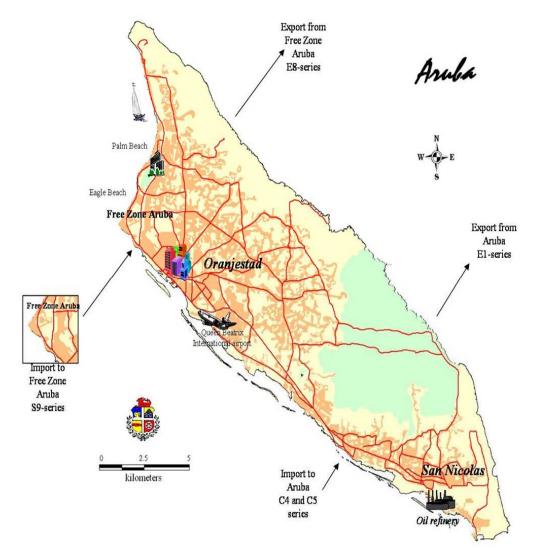
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Export from Aruba, Free Zone Aruba

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 Asycuda system of Aruba register all the documents "Enig Document". The customs department registers approximately 8000 documents per month. While we assumed that all existing documents are incorporated in the Asycuda 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

Asycuda covers 591 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. In the near future, the customs department of Aruba will adopt the Harmonized Trade system consisting of 6420 different commodity codes, leading to a much more detailed publication.

5. Values and Quantities

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

6. Publications

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

Quarterly imports and exports by Asycuda Sections

Quarterly imports and exports by country and by Asycuda Sections

7. Tables and graphs

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



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

01. Live animals and other animal products

01.01 Live animals 01.02 Meat 01.03 Fish 01.04 Dairy 01.05 Animals other

02. Vegetable products

02.06 Live plants 02.07 Vegetables 02.08 Fruit 02.09 Coffee, Tea 02.10 Grains 02.11 Flour 02.12 Seeds and fruits 02.13 Vegetable raw material 02.14 Other vegetable

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 Mineral fuels

06. Chemical products

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

07. Artificial plastic elements

07.39 Plastic materials and (synthetic) resin 07.40 Rubber

08. Skins, hides, leather and peltry

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

08.43 Fur and imitation-fur

09. Wood, charcoal and woodware

09.44 Wood 09.45 Cork 09.46 Wattlework

10. Materials for the manufacture of paper

10.47 Raw material for paper10.48 Paper and cardboard10.49 Bookstore and graphic art

11. Textile fibres and artiles

11.50 Silk
11.51 Synthetic yarn
11.52 Metal fibres
11.53 Wool
11.54 Flax
11.55 Cotton
11.56 Synthetic textile
11.57 Other vegetable textile fibres
11.58 Carpets
11.59 Wadding and felt
11.60 Knitted and crocheted fabrics
11.61 Clothing
11.62 Other clothing
11.63 Rags

12. Footwear, headgear and umbrellas

12.64 Footwear12.65 Headgear12.66 Umbrellas's and walking-stick12.67 Feather, fluff and artificial flowers

13. Works of stone, gypsum, cement, asbestos

13.68 Works of stone, gypsum, cement13.69 Ceramic products13.70 Glass and glassware

14. Real pearls (natural) and other precious stones

14.71 Pearls and precious stones 14.72 Coins

15. Base metals and derivated works

15.73 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
15.83 Works of base metals



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

16.84 Machinery, mechanical appliances 16.85 Machines, electrical appliances

17. Transport equipment

17.86 Traffic-lights17.87 Cars, motorcycles and cycles17.88 Aviation17.89 Navigation (shipping)

18. Optical instruments, apparatus and equipment

18.90 Instruments18.91 Clockwork18.92 Musical instruments, sound and television

19. Arms and ammunition

19.93 Arms and ammunition

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

20.94 Furniture 20.95 Elements of ivory, wax or coral 20.96 Brushware 20.97 Toys 20.98 Various works

21. Art-objects and collectors items

21.99 Art-objects