

III.—PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF WORLD TRADE BY CONTINENTS, 1929, 1932, 1936, AND 1937.

(Basis: Recorded values in U.S.A. old gold dollars.)

Continental Group.	Imports.				Exports.				Total Trade.			
	1929.	1932.	1936.	1937.	1929.	1932.	1936.	1937.	1929.	1932.	1936.	1937.
	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
Europe (incl. U.S.S.R.)	55.5	60.6	56.4 ¹	56.2	48.8	51.1	46.3 ¹	45.9	52.4	56.2	51.5 ¹	51.2
United Kingdom.....	15.2	16.3	17.6 ¹	17.2	10.8	9.9	10.3	9.9	15.1	15.3	14.1	13.6
Other Europe.....	40.3	44.3	38.8 ¹	39.0	38.0	41.2	36.0 ¹	36.0	39.3	40.9	37.4 ¹	37.6
North America ²	16.1	12.5	13.9	14.0	19.5	16.3	16.3 ¹	17.1	17.7	14.2	15.1	15.6
United States.....	12.2	9.6	10.9	11.0	15.6	12.8	11.4	12.7	13.8	10.8	11.2	11.8
Other North America	3.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.9	4.1	4.9 ¹	4.4	3.9	3.4	3.9	3.7
Latin America.....	7.7	5.4	6.6	7.1	9.6	9.1	10.1 ¹	10.3	8.6	7.2	8.3	8.6
Africa.....	4.8	5.8	6.5 ¹	6.3	4.5	6.7	7.6 ¹	7.1	4.6	6.2	7.0 ¹	6.7
Asia (excl. U.S.S.R.)	13.2	13.7	13.7	13.7	14.9	13.7	16.1 ¹	16.2	14.0	13.7	14.9 ¹	14.9
Oceania.....	2.7	2.0	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.1	3.6	3.4	2.7	2.5	3.2	3.1
WORLD.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

¹ Revised since the publication of the 1933 Year Book.² United States, Canada, Newfoundland, Greenland, St. Pierre-Miquelon.

The above analysis of trade by continental groups may be supplemented by analysing the trade of the principal political groups or empires, as in Statement IV. As in the case of the preceding statement, the figures for each group are the sums of those of the individual countries comprising the group.

The share of the British Commonwealth (including colonies, protectorates, etc., as well as the Dominions) in world trade fell from 27.9 p.c. in 1929 to 26.7 p.c. in 1931, but has since increased to 30.8 p.c. in 1936 and 29.8 p.c. in 1937. The United Kingdom herself accounts for the bulk of the rise in the share of world imports, but her share in world exports declined. Intra-Commonwealth trade was estimated at 25.7 p.c. of the total trade of the British Commonwealth in 1929 and 1931, 29.1 p.c. in 1932, 30.4 p.c. in 1935, and 30.6 p.c. in 1936. The rise from 1932 to 1937 in the share of the British Commonwealth in world trade contrasts sharply with the fall in that of the French Empire.

IV.—PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF WORLD TRADE BY POLITICAL GROUPS, 1929, 1932, 1936, AND 1937.

(Basis: Recorded values in U.S.A. old gold dollars.)

Group.	Imports.				Exports.				Total Trade.			
	1929.	1932.	1936.	1937.	1929.	1932.	1936.	1937.	1929.	1932.	1936.	1937.
	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
British Commonwealth	29.4	28.9	32.2	31.4	26.3	26.0	29.6	28.1	27.9	27.5	30.8	29.8
United Kingdom.....	15.2	16.3	17.6 ¹	17.2	10.8	9.9	10.3	9.9	15.1	15.3	14.1	13.6
Other British.....	14.2	12.6	14.6	14.2	15.5	16.1	19.3	18.2	12.8	12.2	16.7	16.2
French Empire.....	8.5	11.6	9.4	8.4	7.6	8.6	6.8	6.1	8.0	10.2	8.3 ¹	7.3
Netherlands Empire.....	4.8	5.3	4.3	4.7	4.6	4.9	4.7	5.0	4.7	5.1	4.4 ¹	4.8
TOTALS.....	42.7	45.8	45.9	44.5	38.5	39.5	41.1	39.2	40.6	42.8	43.5	41.9
Rest of the World—												
United States.....	12.2	9.5	10.9	11.0	15.6	12.2	11.4	12.7	13.8	10.8	11.1 ¹	11.8
Other countries.....	45.1	44.7	43.2	44.5	45.9	48.3	47.5	48.1	45.0	46.4	45.4 ¹	46.3
TOTALS.....	57.3	54.2	54.1	55.5	61.5	60.5	58.9	60.8	59.4	57.2	56.5	58.1
GRAND TOTALS...	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

¹ Revised since the publication of the 1933 Year Book.