

21.—Exports according to Purpose, by Group, 1951 and 1952—concluded

Group and Purpose	1951			1952		
	United Kingdom	United States	All Countries	United Kingdom	United States	All Countries
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Fuel, Electricity and Lubricants						
Fuel.....	1,329	8,767	13,483	1,023	14,388	18,842
Electricity.....	—	7,938	7,938	—	9,174	9,176
Lubricants.....	1	14	197	—	8	203
Totals, Fuel, etc.	1,330	16,718	21,618	1,023	23,571	28,221
Transport						
Road.....	369	4,785	98,569	501	8,009	124,989
Rail.....	1	504	4,345	1	706	6,199
Water.....	—	628	8,638	—	905	11,506
Aircraft.....	162	5,814	7,524	829	33,943	37,503
Totals, Transport	532	11,731	119,076	1,330	43,564	180,178
Auxiliary Materials for Commerce and Industry						
Containers.....	1,247	5,614	14,171	762	5,944	14,689
Other.....	—	7	237	—	7	196
Totals, Auxiliary Materials	1,247	5,621	14,408	762	5,951	14,885
Consumer Goods						
Foods.....	64,534	173,215	358,145	71,220	126,009	329,404
Beverages.....	640	46,514	56,929	782	46,484	57,079
Smokers' supplies.....	—	24	181	56	24	373
Clothing.....	2,090	5,037	9,636	526	4,207	6,496
Household goods.....	467	3,048	12,681	128	3,286	9,424
Jewellery, timepieces, etc.....	75	158	1,216	56	270	1,318
Books, educational supplies, etc.....	244	3,325	9,456	209	4,142	10,505
Recreational equipment, etc.....	733	6,483	10,161	608	7,217	10,645
Medical supplies, etc.....	403	1,180	7,470	129	1,873	6,664
Other.....	18	134	924	9	365	784
Totals, Consumer Goods	69,203	239,118	466,800	73,723	193,877	432,692
Totals, Munitions and War Stores	235	347	3,189	1	8,434	15,765
Totals, Live Animals for Food	—	45,626	45,773	—	2,709	2,814
Totals, Unclassified	8,656	45,484	96,009	9,485	54,915	101,125
Grand Totals	631,461	2,297,675	3,914,460	745,845	2,306,955	4,301,081

Section 6.—Comparison of Value, Price and Volume of Foreign Trade

Since the end of World War II, the value of Canada's exports and imports has increased steadily. At the same time, the level of prices at which exports are sold and imports purchased has risen consistently. Changes in the value of exports and imports are the joint product of changes in the volume of goods traded and the prices at which transactions are conducted. To obtain a clear picture of the fluctuations in the merchandise trade of Canada it is desirable to isolate the contributions made to these fluctuations by the price and volume factors.

Special indexes of export and import prices have been developed to give this information. These indexes are based chiefly on average prices calculated from the trade statistics (supplemented in some cases by wholesale and other price