It will be noted that Canada does not have the preponderance in the supply of any country (or in their sales) that the United States and even Britain have as markets for and suppliers to Canada. This structural contrast makes Canada far more sensitive to their developing situations than they are to Canadian activities.

Furthermore, although Canada has held its own share in most markets of the world, the higher penetration of the American and British markets (which take nearly three quarters of Canadian exports) at a time when these economies were expanding less rapidly than Continental Europe and Japan tended to dampen Canada's over-all performance in the world market. By the same token, stronger growth trends in the United States in the past few years have created many of the opportunities for the recent rising trend in Canadian exports.

Summary Statistics of World Markets, 1953-65

Regional Market and Commodity Group	Value of Imports (\$'000,000,000 U.S.)				Percentage Change			Percentage Share of World Total	
	1953	1956	1960	1965	1953–56	1956-60	1960–65	1953	1965
Regional Market									
Canada	4.3	5.6	5.7	8.0	31	_	42	5.1	4.5
United States	10.9	12.8	15. İ	21.4	17	18	42	12.9	30.9
EEC. France. Germany. Benelur. Italy.	15.5 4.2 4.1 4.8 2.4	23.0 5.9 7.0 7.0 3.2	29.6 6.3 10.1 8.5 4.7	49.0 10.3 17.5 13.8 7.4	48 40 70 48 31	29 7 45 21 49	65 65 73 63 56	18.4 5.0 4.9 5.7 2.9	25.1 5.3 8.9 7.1 3.8
FinEFTA Britain Scandinavia	15.1 9.0 4.0	19.2 10.4 5.6	23.8 12.3 7.2	33.4 15.7 11.1	27 15 40	24 18 29	41 27 53	17.9 10.7 4.8	17,1 8.0 5.7
Other Western Europe	2.0	2.2	2.6	5.9	12	17	127	2.4	3.0
Eastern Europe	8.2	10.7 3.6	16.8 5.6	21.6 8.1	30	58 56	28 43	9.7	11.1 4.1
Middle East Oil Ares	0.6	1.0	1.7	2.3	80	62	38	0.7	1.5
Japan	2.4	3.2	4.5	8.2	34	39	82	2.9	4.5
Australia, New Zealand and South Africa	3.2	4.1	5.0	6.9	27	24	36	3.8	3.4
Developing £ Area	6.5	8.4	10.4	13.2	29	24	27	7.8	6.8
Other Asia, Africa	9.0	10.4	11.5	15.9	15	11	37	10.7	8.1
Latin America,	6.5	7.9	8.4	9.7	22	5	16	7.7	4.8
All Imports{c.i.f	84.3 74.5	108.6 102.8	135.0 127.4	195.3 186.3	29 38	24 24	45 46	}100.0	100.0
Commodity Group									
Food and beverages	16.6	19.6	22.3	30.8	18	14	38	22.3	16.5
Materials Crude materials Energy materials Fabricated materials	13.3	57.8 18.5 11.5 27.7	68.4 21.3 12.7 34.5	94.0 24.5 18.0 51.5	43 39 52 42	19 15 10 24	37 15 42 49	54.2 17.9 10.2 26.2	50.4 13.5 9.7 27.6
End-products	17.5	25.4	36.7	61.5	45	44	68	23.5	33.6