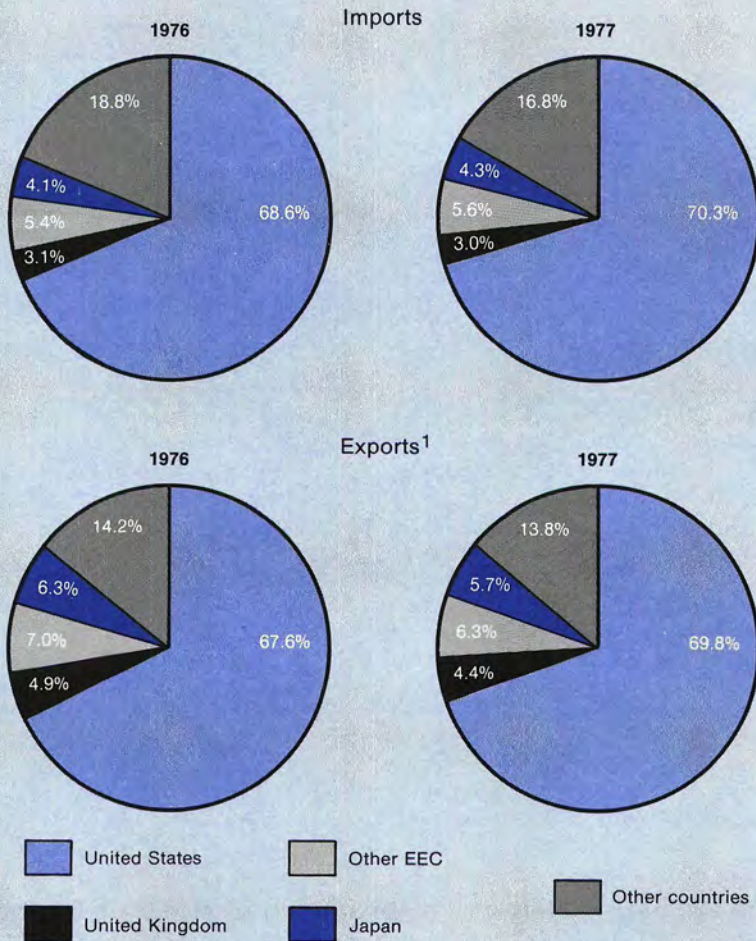


Canada's trade with principal trading areas, 1976 and 1977



¹ Includes domestic exports and re-exports.

imports. Other year-to-year import changes significant in 1977 were end products which increased 15% (at the same rate as total imports from the US). Growth was particularly strong in the automotive sector, with the 1977 increase in total automotive imports from the US at 22%. This was counterbalanced by relatively low increases of 6% for machinery, 10% for other equipment and tools and no growth for personal and household goods. Fabricated material imports increased 13%, food, feed, beverages and tobacco 14%, and crude materials 28%, growth in crude petroleum imports being an important factor.

Increases in Canadian exports to the United States in 1977 compared with 1976 were between 22% and 30% for all sections apart from crude materials which increased