

23.12 Current account balance

Year	Current dollars (\$'000,000)		
	Merchandise trade	Non-merchandise trade	Total
1971	2,563	-2,132	431
1972	1,857	-2,243	-386
1973	2,735	-2,267	468
1974	1,689	-3,149	-1,460
1975	-451	-4,306	-4,757
1976	1,559	-5,668	-4,109
1977	2,975	-7,309	-4,334
1978	4,315	-9,232	-4,917
1979	4,425	-9,265	-4,840
1980	8,778	-9,892	-1,114
1981 ^f	7,292	-13,422	-6,130
1982 ^f	17,822	-14,916	2,906
1983 ^f	17,647	-14,705	2,943
1984	20,726	-17,363	3,363
1985	17,474	-18,059	-585

23.13 Merchandise imports by commodity

Year	Percentage growth rates of current dollar levels				
	Crude materials	Fabricated materials	Machinery	Motor vehicles and parts	Food
1972	16.5	13.7	20.3	20.3	21.1
1973	31.1	18.8	21.2	23.5	41.5
1974	101.7	54.0	29.8	15.8	27.0
1975	24.9	-8.6	20.2	16.8	6.6
1976	0.1	2.8	3.7	14.7	7.1
1977	4.9	12.5	7.0	22.0	15.1
1978	10.8	25.2	21.7	15.4	14.5
1979	34.2	35.2	31.4	13.9	10.8
1980	42.8	7.5	19.0	-10.6	14.5
1981	9.9 ^f	9.6 ^f	14.1	18.2	9.0
1982	-31.3 ^f	-15.9 ^f	-16.7	-6.9	-5.7
1983	-18.6 ^f	-14.4 ^f	-2.9	28.0	1.3
1984	11.7	20.2	28.9	37.2	18.1
1985	0.4	12.1	8.4	23.3	0.1

23.14 Merchandise exports by commodity

Year	Percentage growth rates of current dollar levels				
	Crude materials	Fabricated materials	Motor vehicles	Food	
1972	9.3	13.2	12.9	12.5	
1973	42.3	24.0	14.6	36.0	
1974	56.1	30.3	5.2	21.7	
1975	0.2	-6.3	12.8	6.5	
1976	2.6	18.9	28.1	2.2	
1977	8.3	22.2	26.1	9.1	
1978	-0.4	28.6	20.1	14.0	
1979	42.4	25.9	-4.7	18.8	
1980	17.2	20.8	-7.8	31.0	
1981	2.8	4.6	23.8	15.2	
1982	0.2 ^f	-11.3 ^f	24.7	6.7	
1983	-2.9 ^f	8.0 ^f	27.6	2.4	
1984	21.7	17.3	38.0	2.8	
1985	10.8	3.6	13.3	-9.7	