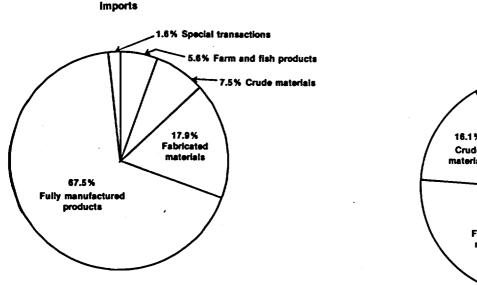
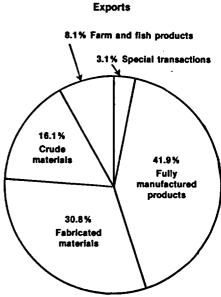


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Developments in trade policy

The multilateral trading system, which is the cornerstone of Canada's foreign trade policy, is based upon objectives and principles embodied in the GATT as well as instruments and activities under the auspices of the OECD, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and other multilateral and plurilateral organizations or informal groups. Canada was active in the full range of work in these bodies during the year.

General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

Progress was made in the implementation of the GATT Work Program which was agreed at the 1982 GATT Ministerial meeting chaired by Canada. The aim of the program is to help countries resist protectionist pressures and to identify and recommend possible solutions to a number of trade problems. Work was particularly active in the area of trade in agriculture, trade in resource products (including their semi- and fully-processed forms), services and safeguard measures.