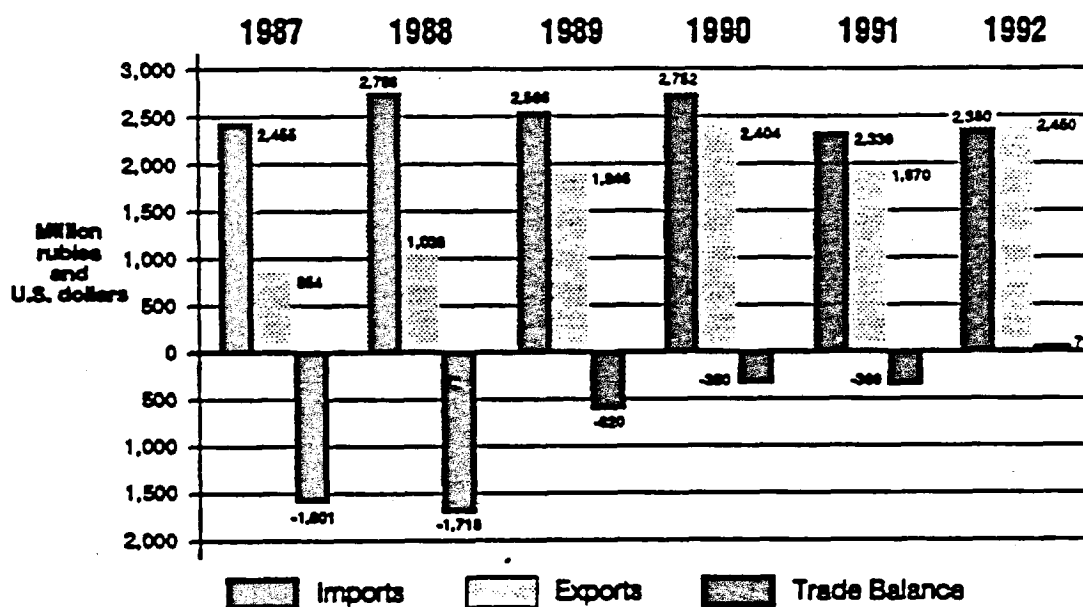


Since the introduction of reforms, and a tighter monetary and fiscal policy, consumer goods shortages have been alleviated; rice exports are strong; convertible currency exports have doubled, improving, but not solving, foreign exchange shortages; and companies are being forced to rationalize production and reduce costs to remain competitive.

### Overall Export Performance In Vietnam



Source: *Economy of Vietnam: Reviews and Statistics*, Statistical Publishing House, Hanoi, 1992