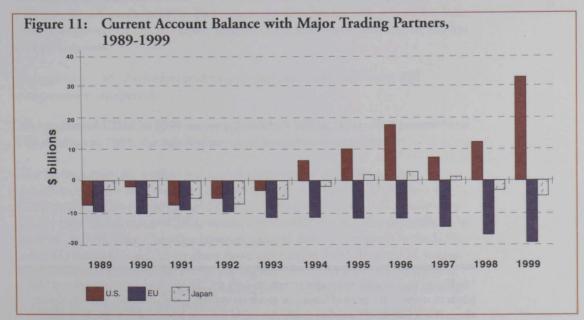


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In the 1990s, Canada's growing current account surplus with the U.S was partly offset by a rising deficit with the EU. The balance with Japan has tended to be small, with some cyclical variation (see Figure 11). Canada's current account surplus with the U.S. — \$32.4 billion in 1999 — was the largest ever on this account. Canada's current account deficit with the EU widened to \$18.3 billion in 1999 from \$15.1 billion in 1998. With respect to Japan, Canada had a brief period of current account surpluses during the period 1995-1997, but these turned into deficits of \$3.4 billion in 1998, widening to \$4.2 billion in 1999.



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