

.The Caribbean absorbed the largest amount of CDA in 1997-1998 (\$61,429K, down from \$101,008K in 1988-1989). Of countries regularly receiving CDA, all except Haiti and Cuba experienced steep decreases over the survey period. Haiti's allocation rose sharply from \$15,492K to \$41,593K, making Haiti the overwhelmingly dominant recipient, with two-thirds of the regional total. Cuba's allocation soared from \$75K in 1988-1989 to \$10,764K in 1997-1998, leaving it in second place.

.The next-most significant recipient in 1997-1998 was initial leader Jamaica (with \$5,855K, down steeply from \$54,122K in 1988-1989). Several Caribbean countries almost ceased to be aid recipients. These included, notably, Grenada (with a fall from \$4,998K to \$75K), St. Kitts & Nevis (with a decline from \$4,091K to \$19K), and St. Vincent (with a shrinkage from \$1,197K to \$25K). The Bahamas was the only country to receive no CDA, at the beginning or the end of the survey period (it received small amounts in 1994-1995 and 1995-1996).

.South America was the second-ranking recipient region in 1997-1998, accounting for \$50,171K (down from \$95,015K in 1988-1989). Within the region, Peru was the leader by far (absorbing \$22,761K in 1997-1998, down from \$29,981K in 1988-1989). Bolivia came a distant second, with \$7,874K (down from \$10,191K). These were followed by a cluster consisting of Brazil (with \$5,834K, down from \$9,315K), Ecuador (with \$5,244K, up from \$3,542K), and Guyana (with \$5,209K, down from \$6,612K). Ecuador was the only major recipient experiencing an increase. Colombia, initially the second-ranking recipient after Peru, suffered the greatest proportionate decline (from \$21,419K to \$3,401K).

.Central America saw an overall CDA decline, from \$49,062K to \$32,738K, over the survey period. Every regional country, except El Salvador and Guatemala, experienced a decrease. CDA rose, in El Salvador, from \$505K to \$7,413K and, in Guatemala, from \$3,507K to \$7,418K. Honduras, however, received the largest amount of CDA in 1997-1998 (\$8,639K, down from \$12,591K in 1988-1989). Nicaragua also absorbed a significant amount (\$6,421K, down from \$16,013K).

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.Over the survey period, CDA declined substantially for every trade group except North America (Mexico).

.CDA to North America (Mexico) rose by one-third, from \$2,984K in 1988-1989 to a peak of \$7,213K in 1992-1993, and then fell to \$4,001K in 1997-1998.

.The leading recipient of CDA in 1997-1998 was the Andean Community, accounting for \$33,366K (down from \$66,305K in 1988-1989). Of this, Peru, the most important single aid destination within the Community, absorbed \$22,761K (down from \$29,981K in 1988-1989). Bolivia, a distant second, received \$7,874K (down from \$10,191K).