

Unless otherwise indicated, the Canadian import and export figures in the following tables are shown on a "customs" basis. The figures on a "customs" basis are the totals of detailed merchandise trade data tabulated from customs documents according to procedures and concepts explained in Statistics Canada's Summary of External Trade. The figures on a "balance of payments" basis reflect a number of adjustments applied to the customs totals to make them consistent with the concepts and definitions used in the system of national accounts. The adjustments include timing adjustments to exports of crude petroleum, natural gas and wheat and to receipts and payments for capital equipment; deduction of transportation charges included in the customs returns and the reduction of import values calculated for customs duty purposes to values which reflect transaction prices.