Destination country/area	Population (millions)	Canadian exports, 2002 (CDN\$ millions) Country/region
South America		2,319
Central America (excl. Mexico)		1,312
Mexico		2,395
Caribbean		1,006
Total	500	7,032
India		637
Indonesia		487
Russia		243
Eastern Europe		770
France		1,963
Germany		2,907
Total	1,936	7,007

Canada's trade with Latin America and the Caribbean is often overshadowed by its ties with its larger trading partners. However, the table above shows exactly how valuable Canada's trade relationship with Latin America and the Caribbean has become. It indicates that Canadian exports to the far less populous region of the Caribbean, Mexico, and Central and South America are in fact worth more than exports to India, Indonesia, Russia, France, Germany and Eastern Europe combined.<sup>1</sup>

## Towards a Green Hemisphere

During its term as Chair of the Summit of the Americas, Canada has made important progress on environmental issues—on the world stage, in our Hemisphere and at home.

Canada took an important step forward in the battle against global climate change in December 2002 when it ratified the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. With this ratification, Canada has become the only country in the Americas with a binding emissions reduction target for the Kyoto commitment period.

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<sup>1</sup> All statistics and figures can be found at: http://strategis.ic.gc.ca