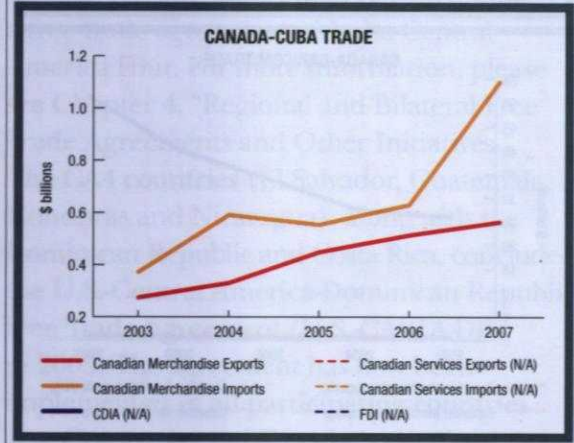


Opening Doors to Latin America and the Caribbean

Cuba

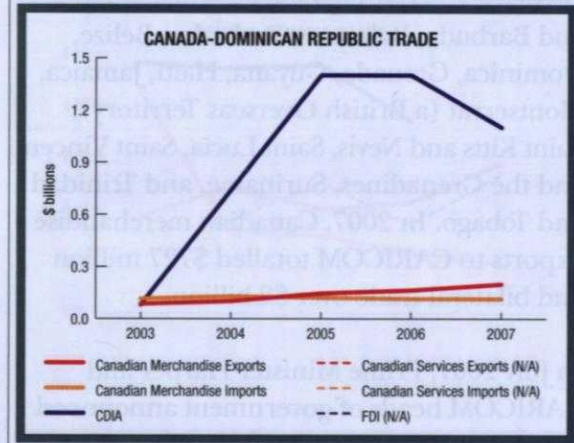
	2007	Percentage change since 2006 (%)
Population	11.2 million (year-end estimate)	0.0
GDP	\$48.9 billion	6.5
Canadian Merchandise exports	\$563.4 million	9.8
Canadian Services exports	-	-
Canadian Merchandise imports	\$1.1 billion	68.8
Canadian Services imports	-	-
CDIA	-	-
FDI	-	-



Cuba is Canada's largest merchandise export market in the Caribbean and Central America, with Canadian exports to Cuba totalling \$563 million in 2007. Although the Cuban business environment is complex, it offers many opportunities for Canadian firms. Canada remains opposed to the extra-territorial application of U.S. law. In 1985, Canada enacted the *Foreign Extraterritorial Measures Act* to prohibit foreign states from implementing measures that infringe on Canadian sovereignty and adversely affect Canadian international trade.

Dominican Republic

	2007	Percentage change since 2006 (%)
Population	8.8 million	1.4
GDP	\$39.1 billion	8.5
Canadian Merchandise exports	\$198.1 million	21.3
Canadian Services exports	-	-
Canadian Merchandise imports	\$113.4 million	-0.7
Canadian Services imports	-	-
CDIA	\$1.1 billion	-16.6
FDI	-	-



The Dominican Republic is Canada's fourth largest merchandise export market in the Caribbean region and one of the fastest growing duty-free manufacturing zones. In June 2007, Canada announced the launch of FTA negotiations with the Dominican Republic. For more information, please see Chapter 4, "Regional and Bilateral Free Trade Agreements and Other Initiatives."