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Export and Investment Promotion Planning System

87/88 Sector/Sub-Sector Highlights Submitted by Posts by Region

Region: LATIN AMERICA-CARIBBEAN

Mission: 631 BUENOS AIRES

Market: 001 ARGENTINA

Sector: 010 MINE, METAL, MINERAL PROD & SRV

Subsector: 999 ALL SUB-SECTORS

Statistical Data On Next Year Sector/sub-sector (Projected)	Current Year (Estimated)	1 Year Ago	2 Years Ago
Mkt Size(import) \$ 600.00M Canadian Exports \$ 12.00M Canadian Share 2.00% of Import Market	\$ 380.00M \$ 10.00M 2.60%	\$ 410.00M \$ 7.40M 5.50%	\$ 1300.00M \$ 21.90M 1.70%
Major Competing Countries		Market	Share
i) 047 BRAZIL ii) 577 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA			045 % 020 %

iii) 577 UNITED STATES UF AMERI iii) 048 CHILE

Cumulative 3 year export potential for CDN products' 15-30 \$M in this Sector/Subsector:

Current status of Canadian exports:

Products/services for which there are	Current Total Impor	ts
good market prospects	In Canadian \$	
i) SULPHUR	\$ 20.00 M	
ii) ASBESTOS	\$ 10.00 M	
iii) ZINC	\$ 50.00 M	
iv) TINPLATE	\$ 15.00 M	
V) MINING SERVICES	\$ 0,00 M	
VI) MINING EQUIPMENT	\$ 2.00 M	

The Trade Office reports that the following factors influence Canadian export performance in this market for this sector (sub-sector). - the degree of import duty protection of local industry tends to be

low

In the Trade Office's opinion, Canadian export performance in this sector (sub-sector) in this market is lower than optimum mainly because of:

- non competitive pricing

- the apparent limited sectoral capability in Canada compared to other competing export countries

- difficulties of adaptation of marketing techniques to the market by some Canadian companies