

C - ALTERNATIVE MEASURES OF BILATERAL TRADE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA - Customs Basis

Billions of Canadian Dollars

MERCHANDISE TRADE BALANCE BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES

	1984	1985	1986	1987
Statistics Canada	16.1	18.6	15.8	14.8
United States Commerce Department (1)	25.9 -	29.7 -	31.8 -	23.5 17.1
RECONCILED MERCHANDISE TRADE BALANCE	20.0	21.5	18.4	17.0

SOURCE: Statistics Canada: The Daily, February 12, 1988, and the Summary of Canadian International Trade, December 1987, United States Department of Commerce press release.

(1) The C\$23.5 billion figure for 1987 continues the series as previously published by Statistics Canada for the 1986 publication Reconciliation of Canada - United States Merchandise Trade. In a 1988 February release the United States reporting system was changed to include undocumented exports to Canada as a starting point before reconciliation. This works out to C\$17.1 billion.