

II. Selected long-term trends

Chart II.1

World merchandise trade and output by major product group, 1950-99

(Average annual percentage change in volume terms)

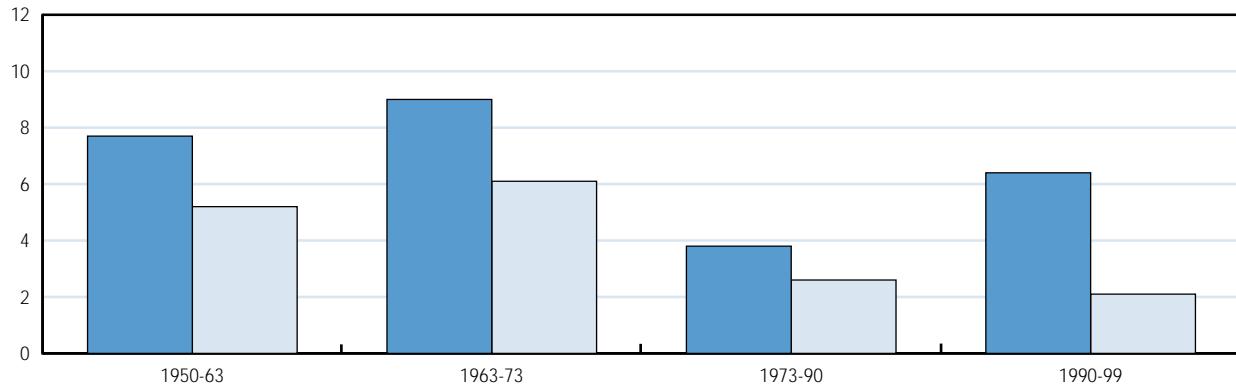
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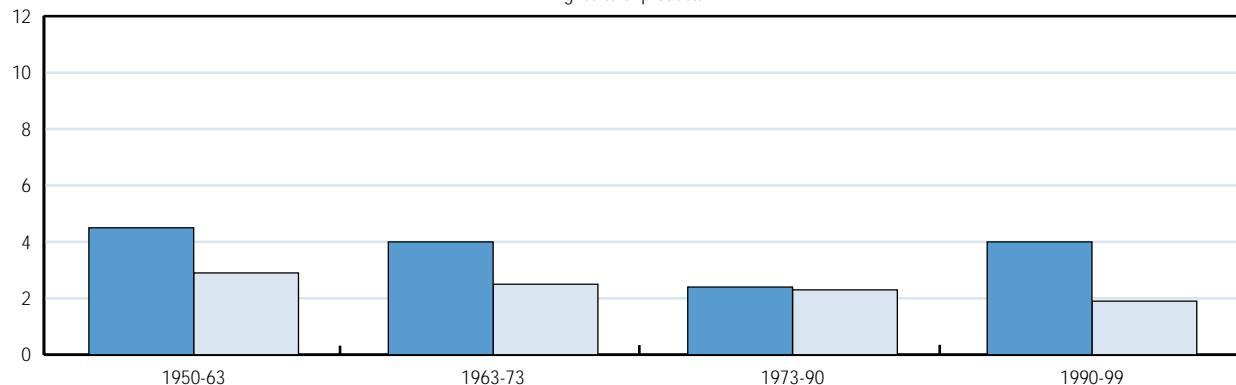
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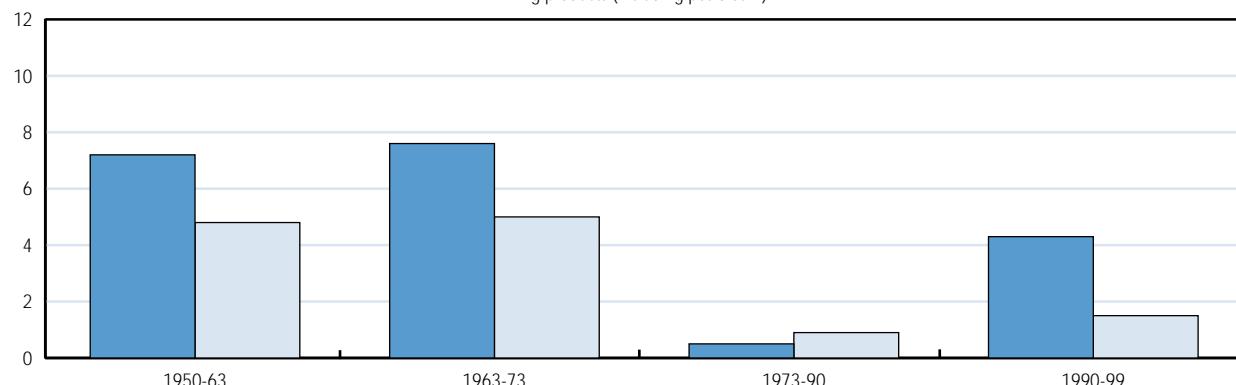
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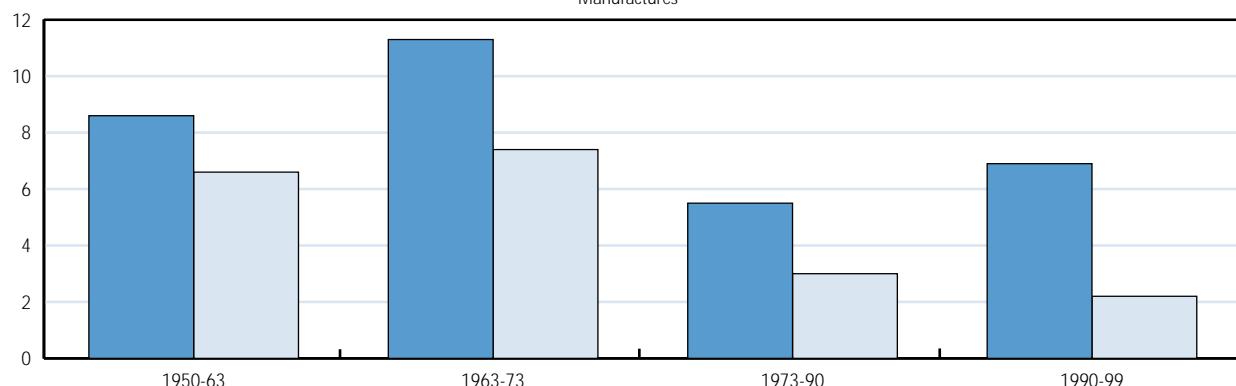
Agricultural products



Mining products (including petroleum)



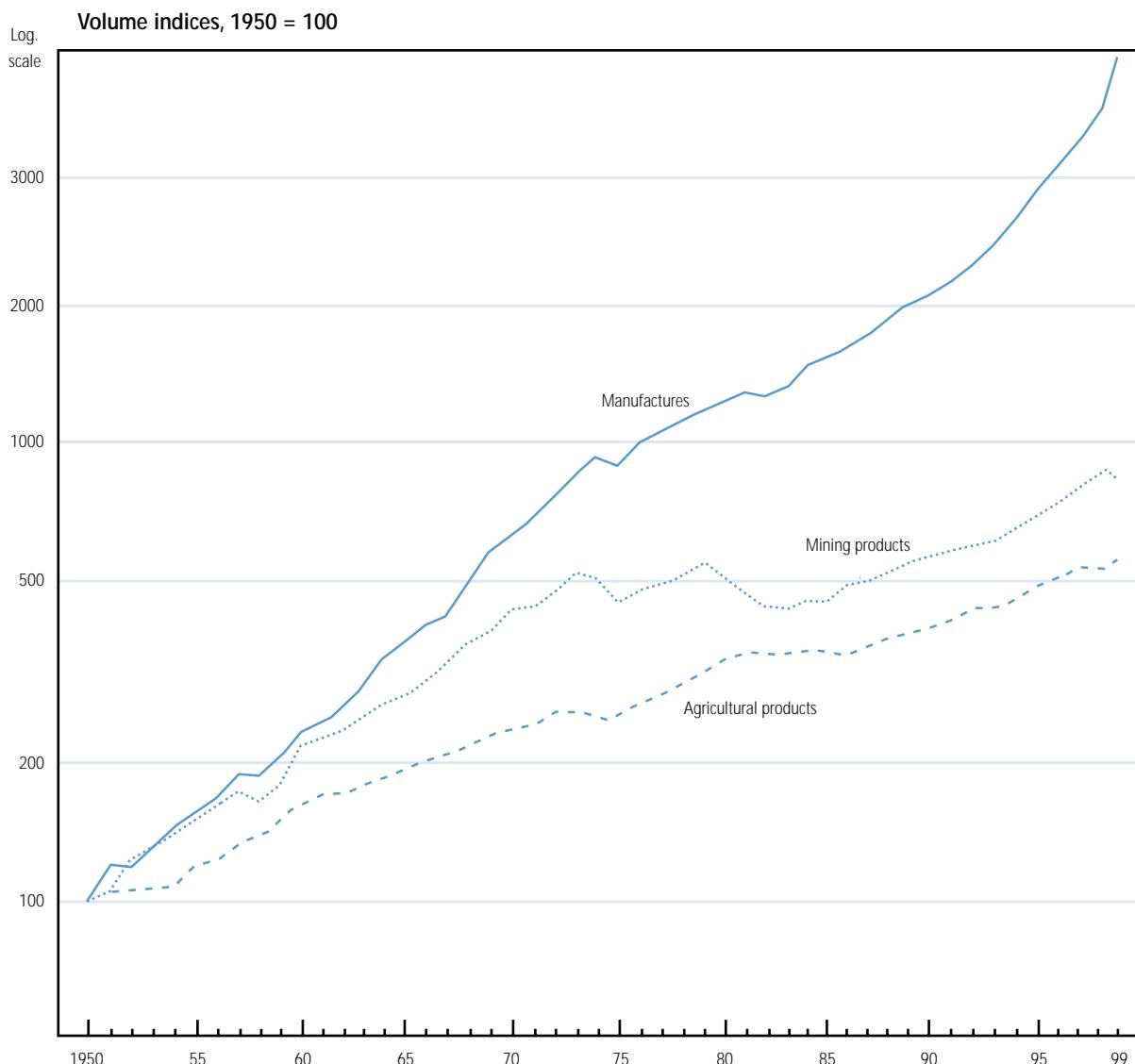
Manufactures



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Chart II.2

World merchandise trade by major product group, 1950-99



Average Annual Change

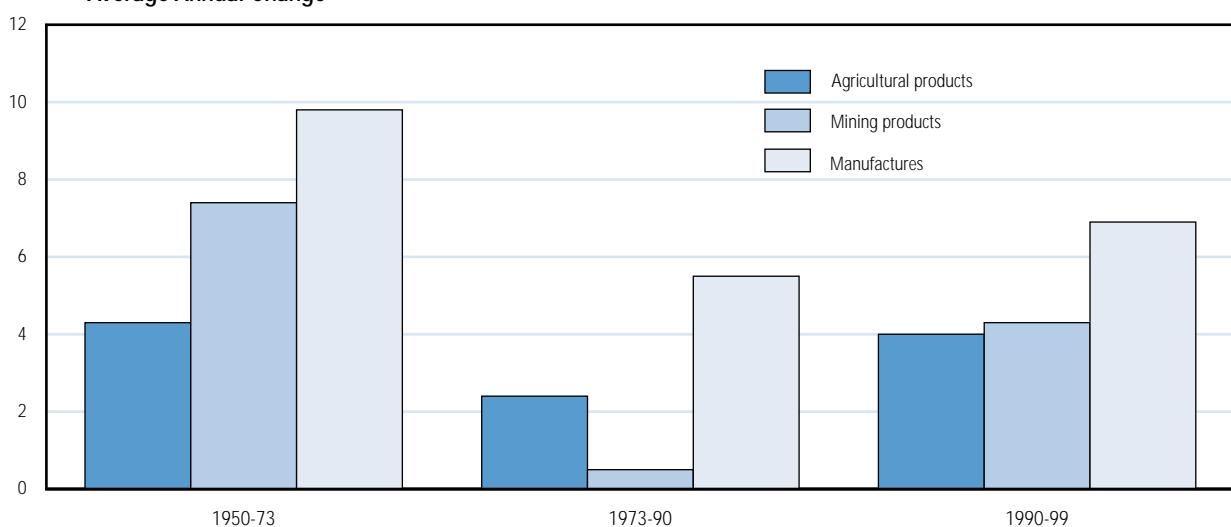


Table II.1

World merchandise exports, production and gross domestic product, 1950-99

(Index, 1990=100)

	Value				Volume				World GDP				
	Exports			Exports			Production						
	Total	Agricultural products	Mining products	Manufactures	Total	Agricultural products	Mining products	Manufactures	Total	Agriculture	Mining	Manufacturing	
1950	2	7	2	1	9	26	18	5	18	37	29	13	19
1951	2	9	2	1	9	27	18	6	20	37	32	14	21
1952	2	7	3	1	10	27	22	6	21	38	32	15	21
1953	2	7	3	1	11	27	23	6	22	40	33	16	23
1954	3	8	3	2	11	27	25	7	22	40	33	16	23
1955	3	8	3	2	13	30	27	7	24	42	37	19	25
1956	3	8	4	2	13	31	29	8	25	44	39	20	26
1957	3	9	4	2	15	34	31	9	26	44	40	20	27
1958	3	8	4	2	14	35	29	9	26	47	39	20	27
1959	3	9	4	2	16	39	32	10	28	48	41	22	28
1960	4	10	4	3	18	41	39	11	30	49	45	24	30
1961	4	10	5	3	19	44	40	11	31	50	48	26	31
1962	4	10	5	3	20	44	42	12	34	52	51	28	33
1963	5	11	5	3	22	45	44	14	36	53	53	29	35
1964	5	11	6	4	25	48	48	16	39	55	57	32	37
1965	6	12	6	4	26	50	49	17	41	55	60	35	39
1966	6	12	7	5	29	52	52	19	44	57	63	38	41
1967	6	12	7	5	30	53	58	20	46	59	64	40	43
1968	7	13	8	6	33	56	65	23	49	61	69	43	45
1969	8	14	9	7	37	59	69	27	51	61	70	47	48
1970	9	15	10	8	41	61	77	29	54	63	76	49	50
1971	10	16	12	9	44	62	78	32	57	65	79	51	53
1972	12	20	13	11	47	66	83	35	59	65	81	55	56
1973	17	29	19	14	53	67	92	40	64	68	86	60	60
1974	25	35	44	19	56	64	90	43	66	69	88	62	61
1975	26	36	42	21	52	65	79	42	65	72	82	60	61
1976	29	40	49	23	58	70	85	47	69	73	89	65	65
1977	33	45	54	27	60	72	87	49	72	74	92	68	68
1978	39	51	56	32	63	77	92	52	75	77	93	71	70
1979	48	63	81	39	66	80	97	55	78	78	101	74	73
1980	59	71	115	45	68	86	91	58	78	78	99	75	73
1981	58	70	112	45	68	90	82	60	78	81	91	75	75
1982	54	65	100	43	66	88	77	59	77	84	85	74	76
1983	53	64	92	43	68	89	77	62	78	84	84	76	78
1984	57	67	91	47	73	91	80	69	83	88	87	81	82
1985	56	63	88	49	75	90	79	72	86	90	86	84	84
1986	62	70	67	59	78	89	86	75	88	92	89	87	87
1987	72	81	74	70	83	94	88	80	91	93	90	91	90
1988	82	92	75	82	89	96	93	87	95	94	95	96	94
1989	89	96	87	87	95	99	97	94	99	98	99	99	97
1990	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1991	102	101	94	103	104	103	103	104	100	100	100	99	101
1992	108	108	93	112	109	109	107	109	100	103	100	99	102
1993	107	104	88	111	113	111	108	112	100	103	102	99	103
1994	121	119	91	128	124	120	114	126	104	107	107	102	105
1995	145	139	108	152	136	126	126	137	107	109	109	106	108
1996	152	143	127	159	143	131	132	146	110	113	112	109	111
1997	157	142	130	167	158	139	144	163	115	115	115	115	114
1998	155	135	103	169	166	139	154	172	117	117	117	118	117
1999	160	131	115	175	174	143	147	182	120	118	115	122	120

a Includes unspecified products.

Note: World merchandise production differs from world GDP in that it excludes services and construction. For sources and methods, see the Technical Notes.

Selected long-term trends

Table II.2

World merchandise trade by region and selected economy, 1948-99

(Billion dollars and percentage)

	1948	1953	1963	1973	1983	1993	1999
Exports							
Value							
World	58.0	83.0	157.0	578.0	1835.0	3639.0	5473.0
Share							
World	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North America	27.5	24.6	19.4	17.2	15.4	16.8	17.1
Latin America	12.3	10.5	7.0	4.7	5.8	4.4	5.4
Western Europe	31.0	34.9	41.0	44.8	39.0	43.7	43.0
C./E. Europe/Baltic States/CIS a	6.0	8.2	11.0	8.9	9.5	2.9	3.9
Africa	7.4	6.5	5.7	4.8	4.4	2.5	2.0
Middle East	2.1	2.1	3.3	4.5	6.8	3.4	3.1
Asia	13.8	13.2	12.6	15.0	19.1	26.3	25.5
Japan	0.4	1.5	3.5	6.4	8.0	10.0	7.7
China	0.9	1.4	1.3	1.0	1.2	2.5	3.6
Australia and New Zealand	3.7	3.2	2.4	2.1	1.4	1.5	1.3
Six East Asian traders	3.0	2.6	2.4	3.4	5.8	9.7	10.0
Other Asia	5.8	4.5	3.1	2.1	2.7	2.6	3.0
Memorandum item:							
GATT/WTO Members b	60.4	68.7	72.8	81.8	76.0	86.9	89.7
Imports							
Value							
World	66.0	84.0	163.0	589.0	1880.0	3752.0	5729.0
Share							
World	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North America	19.8	19.7	15.5	16.7	17.8	19.8	22.3
Latin America	10.6	9.3	6.8	5.1	4.5	5.2	5.8
Western Europe	40.4	39.4	45.4	47.4	40.0	42.9	42.2
C./E. Europe/Baltic States/CIS a	5.8	7.6	10.3	8.9	8.4	2.9	3.7
Africa	7.6	7.0	5.5	4.0	4.6	2.6	2.3
Middle East	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.8	6.3	3.2	2.6
Asia	14.2	15.1	14.2	15.1	18.5	23.4	20.9
Japan	1.0	2.9	4.1	6.5	6.7	6.4	5.4
China	1.1	1.7	0.9	0.9	1.1	2.8	2.9
Australia and New Zealand	2.6	2.4	2.3	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.5
Six East Asian traders	3.0	3.4	3.1	3.7	6.1	9.9	8.5
Other Asia	6.5	4.7	3.8	2.3	3.1	2.8	2.7
Memorandum item:							
GATT/WTO Members b	52.9	66.0	74.2	89.1	83.9	91.0	91.6

a Figures are significantly affected by: (i) changes in the country composition of the region and major adjustment in trade conversion factors between 1983 and 1993; and (ii) the inclusion of the Baltic States and the CIS mutual trade between 1993 and 1999.

b Membership as of the year stated.

Note: Between 1973 and 1983 and between 1993 and 1999 export and import shares were significantly influenced by oil price developments.

Table II.3

Merchandise trade of North America by region and by product, 1963, 1973, 1983, 1993 and 1999

(Billion dollars and percentage)

	Exports					Imports a				
	1963	1973	1983	1993	1999	1963	1973	1983	1993	1999
	Value									
World	30.5	99.4	282.6	610.3	934.0	23.2	93.6	335.3	743.4	1280.4
	Share									
World	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Intra-North America	25.4	33.5	34.2	35.6	39.6	34.3	36.6	28.8	27.1	27.0
Inter-regional trade	64.0	62.4	62.2	64.2	60.2	65.7	63.4	69.9	71.3	72.3
Latin America	12.3	10.6	9.9	13.3	15.6	19.4	11.4	13.9	11.1	14.3
Mexico	2.7	3.1	3.3	6.9	9.4	2.5	2.6	5.3	5.9	9.2
Other Latin America	9.6	7.6	6.6	6.3	6.1	17.0	8.8	8.5	5.3	5.1
Western Europe	27.6	24.8	21.6	20.2	19.4	24.3	23.9	18.6	18.0	19.1
European Union (15)	24.6	22.8	19.7	18.0	17.7	22.0	22.1	17.0	16.4	17.5
Other Western Europe	3.0	2.1	1.9	2.2	1.6	2.3	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.6
C./E. Europe/Baltic States/CIS	1.1	2.2	1.6	1.1	0.7	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.6	1.0
C./E. Europe	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.4
Russian Fed.	-	-	-	0.5	0.2	-	-	-	0.3	0.5
Africa	3.5	2.5	3.1	1.7	1.2	3.8	3.6	4.7	2.3	1.5
South Africa	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.3	1.2	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.3
Other Africa	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.3	0.9	2.6	3.1	4.0	2.0	1.2
Middle East	1.9	2.4	4.5	2.9	2.4	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.2
Asia	17.6	19.9	21.5	25.0	21.1	15.9	21.7	29.8	37.1	34.2
Japan	6.6	10.1	8.9	8.9	6.8	7.0	11.4	14.1	16.0	11.3
China	0.3	1.0	1.2	1.6	1.6	0.0	0.1	0.8	4.9	7.3
Six East Asian traders	2.4	4.3	7.1	10.8	9.5	2.4	6.1	10.5	12.6	11.4
Other Asia	8.3	4.5	4.2	3.7	3.2	6.5	4.0	4.5	3.7	4.2
Total merchandise	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agricultural products	29.0	27.6	21.3	14.1	10.6	29.2	16.6	10.1	7.4	6.3
Food	20.9	20.5	15.8	9.6	7.4	20.6	12.5	7.6	5.5	4.7
Raw materials	8.1	7.0	5.5	4.5	3.2	8.6	4.1	2.4	1.9	1.6
Mining products	12.2	10.9	11.5	7.1	5.7	20.4	16.3	23.4	11.1	9.0
Ores and other minerals	4.4	4.0	2.5	1.3	0.9	5.4	2.2	1.5	0.9	0.6
Fuels	4.2	4.2	7.1	4.1	3.2	10.7	11.0	19.4	8.8	6.8
Non-ferrous metals	3.6	2.8	1.9	1.7	1.5	4.3	3.0	2.5	1.4	1.6
Manufactures	53.2	57.8	62.9	72.8	78.6	47.4	64.9	63.6	78.0	80.2
Iron and steel	2.3	1.8	1.1	1.0	0.9	3.7	3.9	2.5	1.8	1.6
Chemicals	7.2	6.6	8.5	8.7	9.1	4.1	3.9	4.6	5.5	6.4
Other semi-manufactures	7.2	6.1	5.8	6.3	6.9	10.4	8.3	6.7	6.9	7.2
Machinery and transport equipment	29.1	37.1	40.1	46.2	50.4	17.4	36.1	36.3	45.2	47.2
Power generating machinery	0.5	0.4	2.2	2.3	2.5	0.1	0.2	0.8	1.4	1.7
Other non-electrical machinery	11.4	8.9	7.7	7.8	7.9	6.1	6.2	5.2	6.4	6.4
Office and telecom equipment	3.5	5.1	8.7	12.0	15.0	2.5	6.1	8.8	14.5	15.8
Electrical machinery and apparatus	2.9	3.1	2.6	3.9	4.5	1.6	2.6	2.6	4.3	4.6
Automotive products	6.0	13.4	11.9	13.2	13.2	5.6	18.2	16.4	16.1	15.7
Other transport equipment	4.9	6.2	6.9	7.0	7.5	1.6	2.9	2.5	2.5	3.1
Textiles	1.7	1.4	1.0	1.1	1.2	4.1	2.5	1.4	1.6	1.4
Clothing	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.9	1.1	1.9	2.7	3.5	5.2	4.8
Other consumer goods	5.3	4.3	6.1	8.5	9.0	5.9	7.5	8.6	11.8	11.5

a Imports of Canada are valued f.o.b.

Selected long-term trends

Table II.4

Merchandise trade of Western Europe by region and by product, 1963, 1973, 1983, 1993 and 1999

(Billion dollars and percentage)

	Exports					Imports				
	1963	1973	1983	1993	1999	1963	1973	1983	1993	1999
	Value									
World	63.7	258.9	714.8	1591.1	2352.5	73.4	277.4	752.3	1608.0	2417.9
	Share									
World	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Intra-Western Europe	64.1	69.2	65.2	68.6	69.1	56.1	64.3	61.8	68.2	67.6
European Union (15)	56.3	61.8	59.2	62.5	63.4	51.8	59.8	56.2	62.6	62.6
Other Western Europe	7.8	7.4	6.0	6.1	5.7	4.3	4.5	5.6	5.6	5.0
Inter-regional trade	35.2	29.7	33.5	29.6	29.8	43.8	34.7	37.6	31.1	31.8
North America	8.8	8.6	8.4	8.0	9.9	13.9	9.6	8.9	8.2	8.4
Latin America	4.5	3.3	2.2	2.4	2.4	6.2	3.6	3.5	2.0	1.9
C./E. Europe/Baltic States/CIS	4.0	4.5	4.3	3.9	5.1	4.2	3.9	5.4	3.7	5.0
C./E. Europe	2.4	3.0	1.7	2.4	3.7	2.4	2.5	1.9	1.8	3.2
Baltic States/CIS	-	-	-	1.5	1.4	-	-	-	1.8	1.8
Africa	7.7	5.2	6.1	3.1	2.5	7.6	5.7	6.6	3.2	2.7
North Africa	2.5	1.8	3.1	1.5	1.3	2.5	2.0	3.4	1.6	1.3
Sub-Saharan Africa	5.2	3.4	3.0	1.6	1.2	5.1	3.7	3.2	1.6	1.3
South Africa	1.6	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.4	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5
Other Sub-Saharan Africa	3.6	2.3	2.2	1.1	0.7	4.1	3.0	2.5	1.1	0.8
Middle East	2.5	2.7	6.7	3.3	2.4	4.9	5.6	5.6	2.1	1.5
Asia	7.6	5.3	5.8	8.9	7.5	7.0	6.3	7.5	12.0	12.2
Japan	1.0	1.4	1.2	2.0	1.8	0.9	2.2	3.3	4.5	3.6
China	0.3	0.4	0.4	1.0	1.0	0.3	0.3	0.4	1.5	2.2
Australia and New Zealand	2.2	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.7	2.5	1.2	0.6	0.5	0.4
Six East Asian traders	1.5	1.3	1.8	3.8	2.8	1.2	1.5	2.3	4.0	4.3
Other Asia	2.7	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.2	2.2	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.7
Total merchandise	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agricultural products	18.3	15.5	13.0	11.9	10.0	32.8	22.7	15.5	13.1	11.0
Food	12.4	11.7	10.5	10.2	8.6	22.1	16.4	11.8	10.7	8.9
Raw materials	5.8	3.8	2.5	1.7	1.4	10.6	6.3	3.7	2.4	2.1
Mining products	8.5	7.6	13.0	6.6	5.5	18.6	17.7	26.3	10.8	8.2
Ores and other minerals	1.7	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	3.5	2.9	2.2	1.4	1.2
Fuels	4.3	3.6	9.6	4.2	3.3	11.5	11.2	21.7	7.5	5.2
Non-ferrous metals	2.5	2.8	2.4	1.7	1.6	3.6	3.6	2.4	1.9	1.8
Manufactures	71.8	75.8	71.7	77.8	80.5	46.6	58.9	56.0	72.5	77.2
Iron and steel	6.8	6.4	4.4	3.3	2.7	4.7	4.8	2.9	2.6	2.5
Chemicals	8.6	10.2	11.7	12.4	13.2	6.0	7.9	9.0	10.1	10.9
Other semi-manufactures	9.3	10.1	9.6	9.5	9.1	6.4	8.5	7.3	8.6	8.4
Machinery and transport equipment	32.8	34.0	31.7	36.5	40.7	19.8	24.7	23.9	33.6	39.4
Power generating machinery	0.5	0.4	1.4	1.6	1.8	0.2	0.3	1.0	1.3	1.7
Other non-electrical machinery	12.1	11.6	9.8	10.2	9.6	7.6	7.6	5.6	6.6	7.1
Office and telecom equipment	3.2	4.0	4.3	6.4	9.4	2.4	4.0	5.4	9.1	12.1
Electrical machinery and apparatus	4.1	4.5	3.5	4.3	4.5	2.7	3.5	2.6	4.0	4.4
Automotive products	8.6	9.5	8.8	10.0	11.5	4.4	6.3	6.5	9.0	10.6
Other transport equipment	4.3	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.8	2.4	3.0	2.7	3.6	3.5
Textiles	6.1	5.1	3.5	3.1	2.7	4.3	4.2	3.0	2.9	2.4
Clothing	1.9	2.4	2.3	2.9	2.6	1.4	2.6	2.7	4.4	3.8
Other consumer goods	6.4	7.6	8.5	10.0	9.6	4.0	6.1	7.1	10.3	9.8

Table II.5

Merchandise trade of Japan by region and by product, 1963, 1973, 1983, 1993 and 1999

(Billion dollars and percentage)

	Exports					Imports				
	1963	1973	1983	1993	1999	1963	1973	1983	1993	1999
	Value									
World	5.5	36.9	147.0	362.2	419.4	6.7	38.3	126.4	241.6	311.3
	Share									
World	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North America	30.2	28.7	32.0	31.1	32.6	35.6	29.5	23.1	26.5	24.3
Latin America	5.8	5.8	4.0	4.4	2.7	8.4	5.1	5.0	3.3	3.0
Western Europe	13.3	17.9	15.8	18.1	18.9	10.0	10.6	8.8	15.3	15.4
European Union (15)	11.6	15.2	14.5	16.6	17.8	8.9	9.3	7.4	13.6	13.7
Other Western Europe	1.7	2.7	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.7	1.6
C./E. Europe/Baltic States/CIS	3.3	2.2	2.4	0.6	0.5	2.7	3.2	1.4	1.4	1.5
C./E. Europe	0.4	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2
Russian Fed.	-	-	-	0.4	0.1	-	-	-	1.1	1.2
Africa	6.3	4.1	3.6	2.0	1.1	3.9	4.5	2.6	1.6	1.3
South Africa	1.5	1.6	1.2	0.6	0.4	1.9	1.5	1.3	0.8	0.7
Other Africa	4.8	2.4	2.4	1.5	0.7	2.0	3.1	1.3	0.8	0.6
Middle East	3.2	4.1	10.7	3.4	2.4	11.2	12.5	26.5	11.3	9.7
Asia	34.9	31.6	31.0	40.0	39.5	28.2	34.5	32.6	40.3	44.4
China a	1.1	2.8	3.3	4.7	5.6	1.1	2.5	4.0	8.5	13.8
Six East Asian traders	15.8	18.0	17.8	28.2	26.8	8.4	9.8	9.7	17.0	17.9
Australia and New Zealand	3.7	3.9	3.6	2.5	2.4	8.4	10.2	6.0	5.8	4.7
Other Asia	14.2	6.9	6.3	4.6	4.8	10.3	12.0	12.9	9.1	8.0
Total merchandise	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agricultural products	8.8	4.1	1.8	1.0	1.0	44.5	36.0	20.7	24.6	19.2
Food	5.9	2.4	1.0	0.6	0.5	20.8	18.9	13.6	17.3	15.1
Raw materials	3.0	1.7	0.7	0.5	0.5	23.7	17.1	7.2	7.2	4.1
Mining products	1.2	1.2	1.5	1.4	1.5	32.9	37.7	55.9	26.8	21.5
Ores and other minerals	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	13.0	11.6	5.9	3.6	2.9
Fuels	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3	18.0	21.8	46.7	20.4	16.0
Non-ferrous metals	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.7	1.0	1.9	4.4	3.2	2.7	2.6
Manufactures	90.0	93.7	95.7	95.5	93.6	22.6	25.8	21.4	46.2	57.1
Iron and steel	12.9	14.4	8.7	4.0	3.2	1.3	0.6	1.1	1.7	0.9
Chemicals	5.8	5.8	4.7	5.6	7.3	5.5	4.9	5.6	7.3	7.3
Other semi-manufactures	11.7	7.0	6.3	4.4	4.3	1.2	3.9	2.1	4.9	4.4
Machinery and transport equipment	28.4	51.7	63.8	71.8	68.3	12.0	8.3	7.0	16.9	27.4
Power generating machinery	0.2	0.5	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.2
Other non-electrical machinery	5.6	8.1	10.3	12.4	12.0	5.4	2.8	1.6	2.7	3.2
Office and telecom equipment	6.8	12.7	18.4	23.3	21.8	2.1	2.1	1.9	6.8	14.2
Electrical machinery and apparatus	3.7	4.3	5.1	6.4	7.6	1.3	1.3	0.9	2.1	3.7
Automotive products	3.4	12.0	20.9	22.1	19.7	0.5	0.6	0.5	2.7	2.8
Other transport equipment	8.7	14.1	7.7	6.2	5.9	1.9	1.2	1.6	1.8	2.4
Textiles	16.8	6.6	3.6	1.9	1.6	0.6	3.0	1.2	1.6	1.5
Clothing	3.9	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	1.5	1.2	5.2	5.3
Other consumer goods	10.5	7.1	8.1	7.7	8.8	1.8	3.7	3.3	8.5	10.3

a Excludes significant shipments recorded as exports to Hong Kong, China with China as final destination.

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Table II.6

Merchandise exports of selected regions and economies to the least-developed countries, 1980-99

(Million dollars and percentage)

	Value				Share in region's exports to LDCs			Share in region's total exports		
	1980	1990	1998	1999	1980	1990	1999	1980	1990	1999
North America										
Total merchandise	2103	2079	2718	2708	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.7	0.4	0.3
Agricultural products	891	775	1061	904	42.4	37.3	33.4	1.3	0.9	0.9
Mining products	75	27	19	25	3.6	1.3	0.9	0.2	0.1	0.0
Manufactures	1104	1140	1499	1620	52.5	54.8	59.8	0.6	0.3	0.2
Western Europe										
Total merchandise	10045	10232	9790	9175	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.2	0.6	0.4
Agricultural products	1640	2029	2408	2243	16.3	19.8	24.4	1.6	1.1	1.0
Mining products	409	283	242	270	4.1	2.8	2.9	0.4	0.2	0.2
Manufactures	7871	7778	6931	6440	78.4	76.0	70.2	1.3	0.6	0.3
Australia and New Zealand										
Total merchandise	285	403	445	421	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.0	0.8	0.6
Agricultural products	178	220	237	205	62.7	54.6	48.7	1.3	1.3	0.9
Mining products	3	45	47	38	1.2	11.2	9.0	0.0	0.3	0.2
Manufactures	97	97	142	155	33.9	24.1	36.8	2.2	1.1	0.8
China										
Total merchandise	446	707	2592	2529	100.0	100.0	100.0	2.5	1.1	1.3
Agricultural products	...	139	160	153	...	19.7	6.0	...	1.4	1.1
Mining products	...	21	40	35	...	3.0	1.4	...	0.3	0.4
Manufactures	...	547	2321	2317	...	77.3	91.6	...	1.2	1.3
Japan										
Total merchandise	1874	1707	1440	1512	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.4	0.6	0.4
Agricultural products	153	30	31	27	8.2	1.8	1.8	5.2	0.9	0.6
Mining products	25	5	7	17	1.3	0.3	1.1	1.0	0.1	0.3
Manufactures	1683	1666	1375	1445	89.8	97.6	95.6	1.4	0.6	0.4
Six East Asian traders										
Total merchandise	1390	2856	6237	6811	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.5	1.1	1.2
Agricultural products	333	651	1010	1054	24.0	22.8	15.5	2.0	2.4	3.2
Mining products	179	534	812	1074	12.9	18.7	15.8	1.5	2.7	3.6
Manufactures	877	1650	4383	4648	63.1	57.8	68.2	1.5	0.8	1.0
Total of above										
Total merchandise	16144	17983	23222	23156	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.2	0.6	0.5
Agricultural products	...	3844	4907	4586	...	21.4	19.8	...	1.2	1.1
Mining products	...	915	1167	1459	...	5.1	6.3	...	0.4	0.6
Manufactures	...	12877	16651	16625	...	71.6	71.8	...	0.6	0.5

Table II.7

Merchandise imports of selected regions and economies from the least-developed countries, 1980-99

(Million dollars and percentage)

	Value				Share in region's imports from LDCs			Share in region's total imports		
	1980	1990	1998	1999	1980	1990	1999	1980	1990	1999
North America										
Total merchandise	2625	4807	6613	7208	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.8	0.7	0.6
Agricultural products	870	399	477	487	33.1	8.3	6.8	2.6	0.8	0.6
Mining products	1319	3148	2960	3001	50.3	65.5	41.6	1.2	3.3	2.6
Manufactures	422	1180	3142	3693	16.1	24.5	51.2	0.2	0.2	0.4
Western Europe										
Total merchandise	8510	10629	10284	9884	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.9	0.6	0.4
Agricultural products	3052	2472	2973	2623	35.9	23.3	26.5	2.2	1.1	1.0
Mining products	3194	4384	1365	1308	37.5	41.2	13.2	1.2	2.0	0.7
Manufactures	1557	3597	5788	5903	18.3	33.8	59.7	0.3	0.3	0.3
Australia and New Zealand										
Total merchandise	92	86	123	173	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.3	0.2	0.2
Agricultural products	43	26	31	38	46.9	30.2	22.0	1.9	0.7	0.7
Mining products	11	30	19	57	12.2	34.9	32.9	0.2	0.8	0.9
Manufactures	37	27	73	78	40.4	31.4	45.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
China										
Total merchandise	262	314	943	1396	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.3	0.6	0.8
Agricultural products	...	170	141	201	...	54.0	14.4	...	2.2	1.5
Mining products	...	47	738	1112	...	14.9	79.7	...	1.6	6.3
Manufactures	...	98	64	82	...	31.1	5.9	...	0.2	0.1
Japan										
Total merchandise	1356	1250	1069	1015	100.0	100.0	100.0	1.0	0.5	0.3
Agricultural products	403	541	664	656	29.7	43.3	64.6	1.3	1.1	1.1
Mining products	601	645	280	237	44.3	51.6	23.3	0.7	0.8	0.4
Manufactures	124	55	106	118	9.1	4.4	11.6	0.5	0.1	0.1
Six East Asian traders										
Total merchandise	556	1500	3062	3871	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.5	0.5	0.8
Agricultural products	343	653	1025	860	61.7	43.5	22.2	2.0	2.1	2.2
Mining products	112	380	1417	2593	20.1	25.4	67.0	0.4	0.8	3.7
Manufactures	99	461	612	403	17.8	30.8	10.4	0.2	0.2	0.1
Total of above										
Total merchandise	13400	18586	22094	23547	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.9	0.6	0.5
Agricultural products	...	4260	5311	4865	...	22.9	20.7	...	1.2	1.0
Mining products	...	8634	6779	8308	...	46.5	35.3	...	1.9	1.7
Manufactures	...	5418	9785	10277	...	29.2	43.6	...	0.3	0.3

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