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FOREWORD

The *Agricultural Statistical Digest*, a publication of the Statistical Unit of the Ministry of Agriculture is designed to provide information on Agriculture and Fishing.

This edition provide data specifically for the period January to December 1995. Data for the four year period 1991 to 1994 is furnished as well.

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EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE TABLES

The Agricultural Statistical Unit advises its readers to carefully read the following notes before proceeding to the tables. The notes are intended to clarify the data as well as to acquaint readers with the sources of the data. It is therefore hoped that readers will be better equipped to interpret and use the data.

AGRICULTURAL FINANCING

Loans Approved for Agricultural and Fishing Activities

These figures are obtained from the St. Lucia Development Bank (SLDB). They relate to the number of loan applications which the SLDB has approved during each period. It should be noted that not all the funds are disbursed by the SLDB during the same period for which the loans were approved.

THE BANANA INDUSTRY

The figures published for banana production represents total quantity of bananas purchased by the St. Lucia Banana Growers Association (SLBGA) from banana producers.

These quantities purchased account for an estimated 90 - 95% of the islands total production and are exclusively for exports mainly to the United Kingdom, variation in amounts may be due to "left back fruit" on the docks.

THE COCONUT INDUSTRY

Copra is produced from an estimated 85% of the island's total production of coconut, and is purchased in bulk solely by the St. Lucia Coconut Growers Association (SLCGA). This association sells all the copra purchased to the Copra Manufacturers Limited (CML), represents all the island's production, therefore copra is not exported.

However, a few coconuts are exported in the green (water nuts) and dried forms. The early 1990's have seen increasing demand for water nuts which have a lower cost of production and marketing.

THE COCOA INDUSTRY

Data on cocoa beans are collected from the sole exporter of the crop - the St. Lucia Agriculturalist Association (SLAA). This exporter also supplies cocoa beans to local private individuals for domestic and commercial purposes from time to time. Purchases of cocoa beans by SLAA represents an estimated 90% of the island's cocoa beans production. Exports of cocoa beans are mainly to Europe, the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

There is a renewal of interest in the cocoa industry on the part of the Ministry and this will be manifested in concrete activities in subsequent years.

DOMESTIC FOOD MARKETING

Presently, data concerning quantities and prices of domestic agricultural produce are obtained from the St. Lucia Marketing Board (SLMB) and the leading supermarkets on a regular basis. The produce price is the price the farmer/producer receives for his or her produce at the various marketing outlets.

THE LIVESTOCK SUBSECTOR

Table egg production data are sourced from an estimated 100 poultry farms islandwide and are monitored on a monthly basis by the Livestock Department of the Ministry of Agriculture.

The table egg production data does not include backyard production or subsistence farming. All eggs produced are consumed locally and local demand is supplemented by imports. The importation of table eggs is handled solely by the SLMB.

This year assistance in the procurement of chicks to assist in maintaining the laying flock was provided by SLEPCO (St Lucia Egg Producers Co-operative).

TRADE IN OTHER AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Data from this section reflects Agricultural trade in non traditional crops as well as fresh produce. Also reflected in this section is the trade balance on food. The island continues to experience a negative trade balance of food. Information on ginger

purchases and exports were negligible, and as such no data was supplied in this edition on ginger performance.

THE FISHING INDUSTRY

These figures relate to the estimated total amount of fish landed at the various fishing districts. Fish landings are monitored daily at the various fishing districts by the Department of Fisheries (Fisheries Management Unit (FMU)) of the Ministry of Agriculture. The fishing season extends from January to June and there are an estimated 372 boats on the island registered with the FMU.

An ongoing programme is established for boat registration with the Fisheries Co-operatives, and is done voluntarily by fishermen in order to obtain duty-free concessions as well as duty refund on gasoline.

NOTES

1. Symbols used in this digest:
 - ... - Nil or Negligible
 - N.A./(-) - Not available
 - R - Revised
 - P - Provisional
2. The figures in most tables are rounded off to the nearest final digit. Additions of those rounded off figures may not always agree exactly with the rounded off totals shown in the tables.
3. All values are in Eastern Caribbean (EC) dollars;
EC\$2.71 equals US\$1.00
4. All trade data (i.e. import and export) for the 1995 period is provisional.

REVIEW OF THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR

The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in 1995 showed an increase of \$8.1 million, a 1% improvement over the previous year 1994. The agricultural sector's contribution to GDP declined by \$2.3 million or 2.3% than what was achieved in 1994. Over the past five years, the agricultural sector's averaged about 5.3% of total GDP, and ranged from a high of 12.4% in 1992 to a low of 2.3% in 1995.

This downturn in performance of the agricultural sector was due mainly to the slow recovery (from tropical storm Debbie) of the banana industry and the destruction of some other food crops from the passage of storms and hurricanes which affected the island during the third quarter of 1995.

Total agricultural export earnings for 1995 was \$156 million or 62% of total Domestic earnings. Banana exports contributed 97% of total agricultural exports, an increase of \$23 million over the previous period, 1994.

Non banana agricultural exports in 1995 was \$4.8 million a decline of almost \$2 million from 1994 value. As mentioned earlier on, these crops were affected by the passage of storms and hurricanes during August and September of 1995.

The livestock sub sector recorded some improvements. The quantity of locally produced table eggs increased by 10,000 dozen over what was produced in 1995. However the farmers received less revenue from the sale of this commodity, because of excess supply on the market resulting in lower selling prices. The island is becoming self sufficient in table eggs production since there were no imports of this commodity in 1995.

There were also some improvement in milk production for 1995. Milk production increased by 28,409 litres, generating revenue of \$8 million. Milk production has been increasing from 1994 after a drop in 1993.

Although St. Lucia continues to experience a negative trade balance on food, 1995 saw a slight improvement over 1994. The negative trade balance on food for 1995 was \$7.3 million less than 1994. Total value of food imports for 1995 was \$187 million an increase of \$14 million or 8.9% over last year's imports. Food imports accounted for 23% of total imports.

There was an increase of approximately 18% in food exports which was largely due to an increase in banana exports. The fishing industry also saw some improvements with 100 tonnes more of fish landed for 1995 over 1994. The island recorded no exports of fish for 1995.

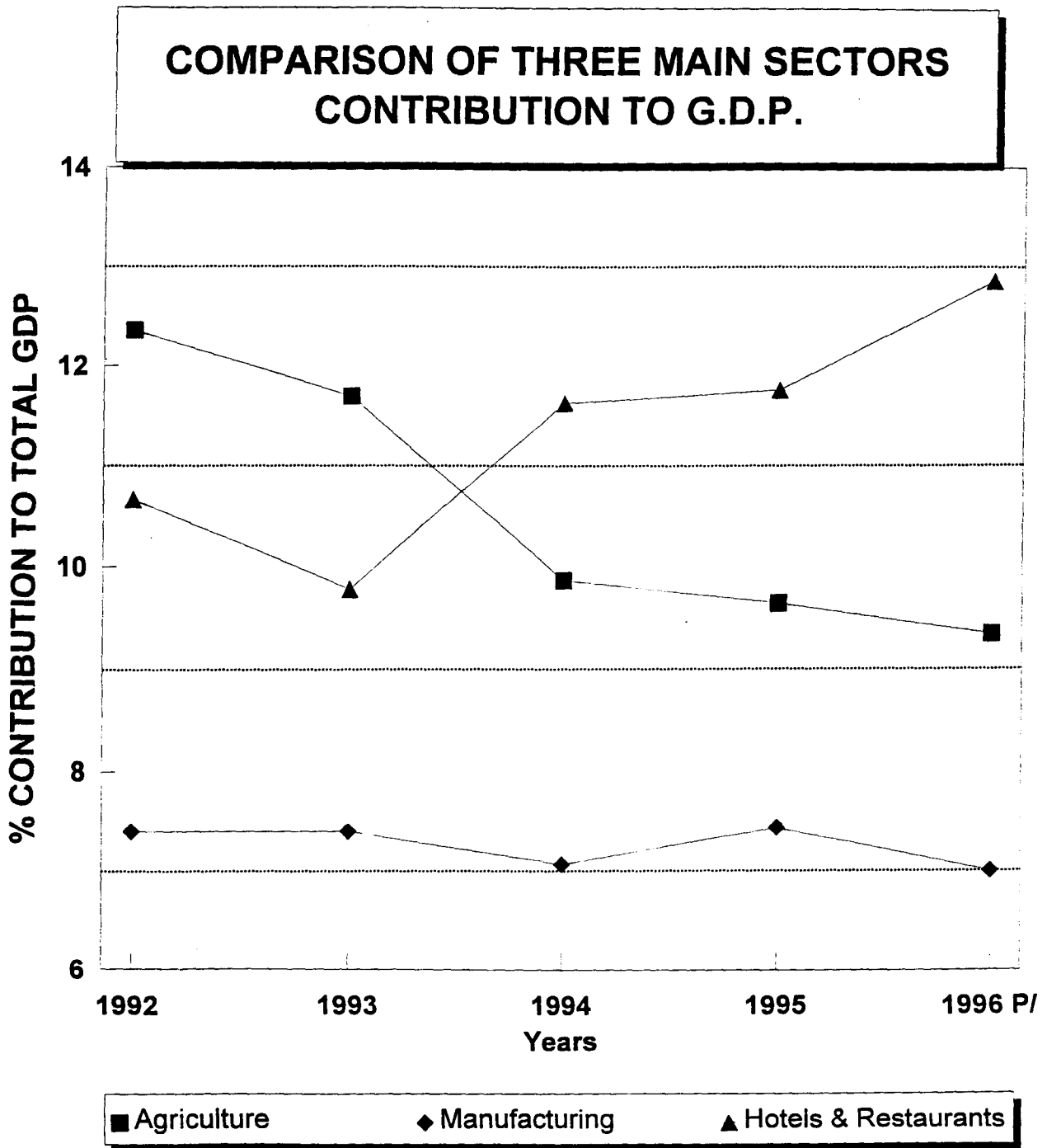
**Table I - 1. Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost Constant Prices
(1991 - 1995) (R) - (Base Year 1990)**

Sector	Million E.C\$				
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Agriculture	103.2	125.4	118.7	100.1	97.8
Mining & Quarrying	4.7	3.1	3.8	2.9	4.8
Manufacturing	76.9	75.1	75.1	71.7	75.4
Construction	73.2	84.3	80.3	83.1	84.1
Electricity & Water	27.6	32.9	34.2	36.3	39.7
Wholesale & Retail Trade	159.3	165.3	161.8	152.8	145.0
Hotels & Restaurants	97.8	108.2	99.2	118.0	119.3
Transport	106.3	112.4	124.0	130.3	135.1
Communication	62.6	66.2	72.0	89.2	89.1
Banking & Insurance	71.6	77.4	80.9	87.3	91.9
Real Estate Etc	69.2	70.3	71.5	72.4	73.3
Government Services	125.2	123.0	125.4	131.9	135.8
Other Services	36.1	35.7	47.7	47.4	42.8
Less Imputed Banking					
Service Charge	(61.8)	(64.7)	(68.6)	(74.2)	(76.8)
Total	951.8	1014.5	1025.8	1049.1	1057.2

Source : Government Statistics Department

(R) means Revised

Fig. I-1



Source: Government Statistics Department

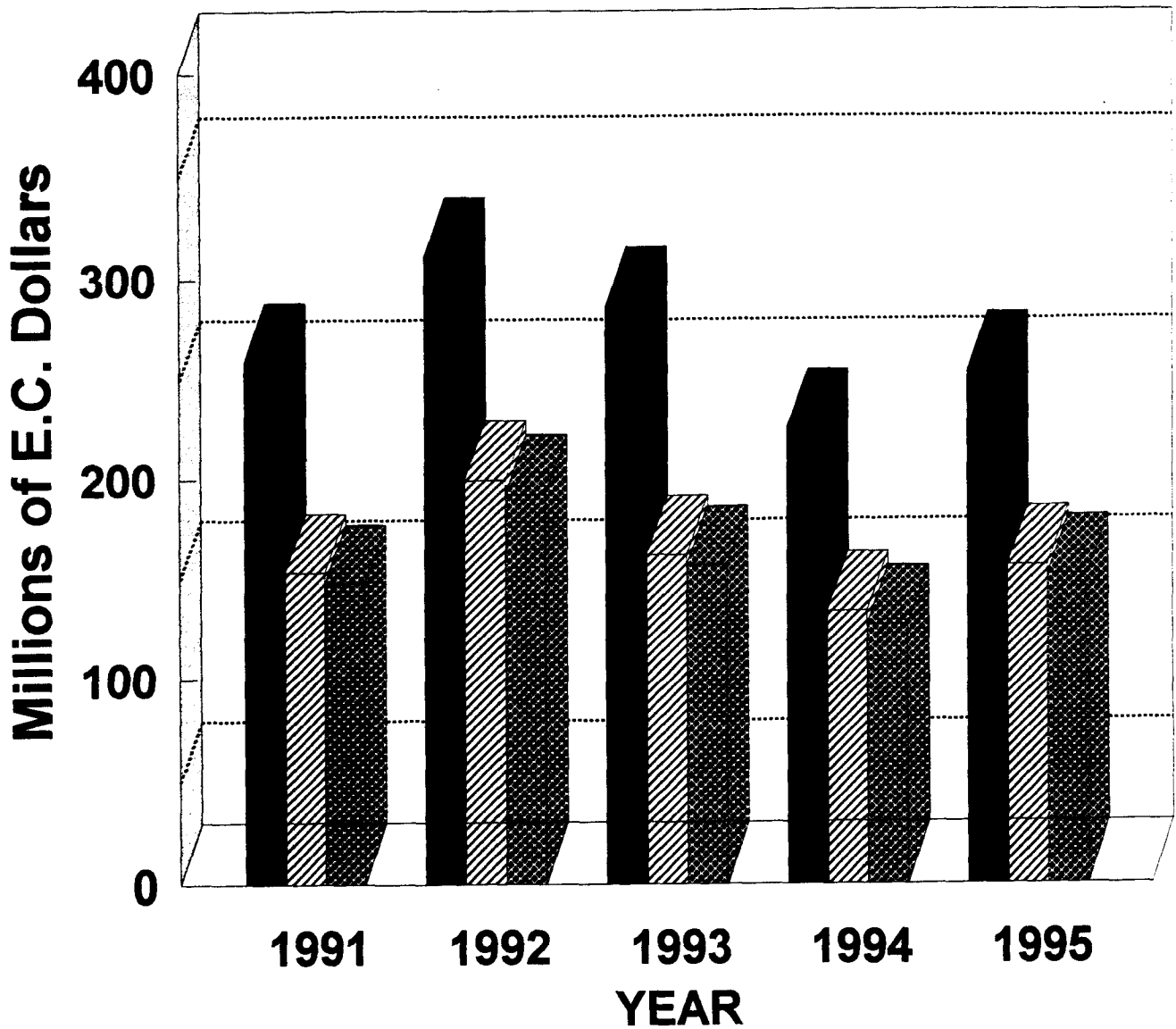
Table I- 2. Total Domestic Exports and Agricultural Exports (\$'000)

Period	Total Domestic Export (1)	Total Agricultural Export (2)	Banana Export (3)	2 as a % of 1	3 as a % of 2
1991	258,794	153,278	147,815	59	96
1992	310,888	199,527	192,460	64	96
1993	285,793	162,015	156,713	57	97
1994	225,078	133,186	126,409	59	95
1995 1st Quarter	60,654	39,468	38,603	65	98
2nd Quarter	77,935	47,284	45,597	61	96
3rd Quarter	55,360	32,086	31,185	58	97
4th Quarter	59,212	37,114	35,792	63	96
Total 1995	253,161	155,952	151,177	62	97

Source : Foreign Trade Report

Fig. I - 2

DOMESTIC, AGRIC. & BANANA EXPORTS 1991 - 1995



■ Domestic ▨ Agricultural ▩ Banana

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

The average minimum and maximum temperatures recorded at the Union Agricultural Station during 1995 were 23.3 and 30.1 degrees Celsius respectively. In 1995, the average minimum temperature reflected a slight increase of 0.1 degrees Celsius from the last year, and the average maximum temperature also increased, by 0.7 degrees Celsius from 1994.

The highest temperature recorded, 31.1 degrees Celsius was in the months of September and October, whilst the lowest temperature, 20.9 degrees Celsius was recorded in the month of January. For the past five years (1991 to 1995) temperatures have fluctuated between the range of 19.0 and 31.2 degrees Celsius.

Over the past five years the mean relative humidity has experienced minor variations, and in 1995 it was up by 2% from the previous year. The average evaporation rate was 4.9 mm per day, decreasing by 0.1 mm from 5.0 mm per day in 1994.

Rainfall in the period under review was the second highest for the past five years as can be seen in Table II-3. The twenty (20) observation stations monitored on the island, all registered over 1500 mm of rainfall in 1995. The highest amount of rainfall, 3474 mm was recorded at Edmond Forest, an increase of 6.7% over the previous year. The lowest amount, 1640.1 mm was registered at the Hewannora Airport observation station in Vieux - Fort.

Edmond Forest consistently records the highest level of rainfall on the island. However the lowest level of rainfall registered varied among the other stations.

The months of August and September remain the months in which the highest levels of precipitation occur. The observation stations around the island recorded a total of 8387 mm of rainfall in August and 5949 mm in September.

During the months mentioned above, a total of four (4) storms and two (2) Tropical waves affected the island; Tropical Storm Iris and a Tropical wave in August, Tropical Storms Luis and Marilyn and a Tropical wave in the first half of September. These storms and tropical waves created the condition for above normal average precipitation especially in the month of August.

In contrast, February the driest month received only 1055.5 mm of rainfall for the year.

**Table II - 1. Average Monthly Minimum and Maximum Temperature 1/
(degrees celsius)**

Month	1991		1992		1993		1994		1995	
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
January	22.7	27.8	20.4	28.9	19.6	28.3	22.0	28.7	20.9	28.7
February	22.1	27.8	21.0	28.9	18.9	28.6	21.7	28.0	22.4	29.6
March	22.3	28.1	20.6	28.3	20.9	28.5	20.8	28.5	22.7	29.1
April	23.6	28.3	22.4	29.5	22.2	30.1	22.2	29.0	23.2	29.5
May	24.3	29.5	23.2	30.0	22.2	30.5	24.4	29.8	24.0	30.0
June	23.6	29.7	22.8	29.3	24.0	30.4	25.2	29.6	25.1	30.1
July	22.9	29.5	22.4	30.6	23.0	30.2	25.0	29.7	25.3	31.0
August	22.1	30.3	21.5	30.7	22.8	30.1	24.7	29.7	24.3	30.9
September	21.8	30.2	20.8	30.2	22.1	30.5	23.9	29.7	23.9	31.1
October	22.5	29.9	19.8	31.2	22.5	30.0	22.7	30.0	21.9	31.1
November	22.5	29.4	20.3	29.8	22.1	29.4	23.8	29.9	22.3	30.5
December	20.4	27.9	20.1	29.1	23.7	28.9	22.1	29.9	23.6	29.0
Yearly Average	22.6	29.0	21.3	29.7	22.0	29.6	23.2	29.4	23.3	30.1

Source: Engineering Division, Ministry of Agriculture

1/ - Data recorded at Union Agricultural Station

Table II - 2. Temperature, Relative Humidity, Wind and Evaporation Recorded at Union Agricultural Station

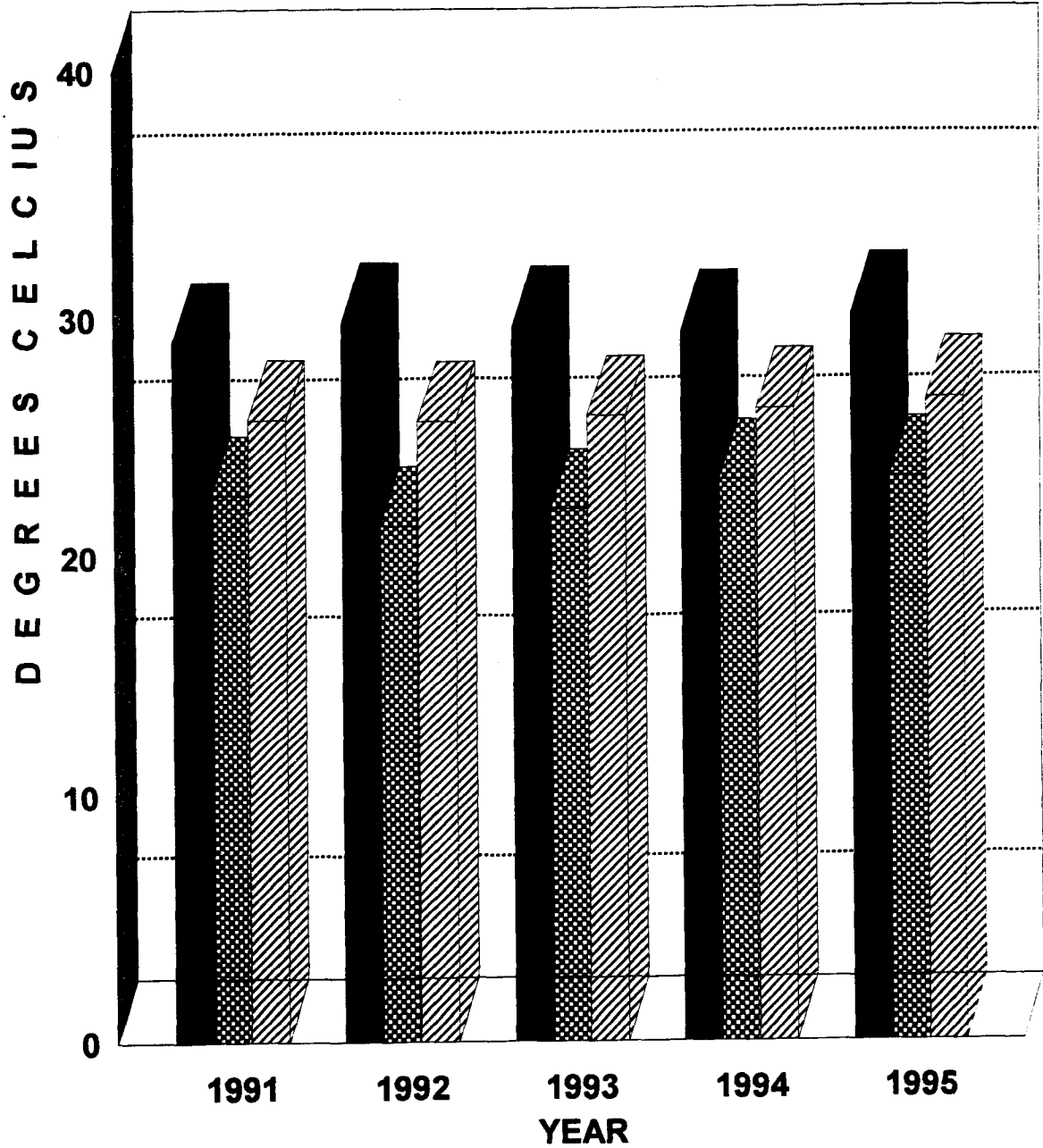
Period	Mean Temperature (degrees Celcius)			Mean Relative Humidity (%)	Mean Evaporation (mm) 1/
	Max	Min	Mean		
1991	29.0	22.6	25.8	74	4.5
1992	29.7	21.3	25.7	76	4.8
1993	29.6	22.0	25.9	77	5.0
1994	29.4	23.2	26.2	74	5.0
1995 1st Quarter	29.1	22.0	25.5	77	4.7
2nd Quarter	29.9	24.1	26.9	75	5.4
3rd Quarter	31.0	24.5	27.7	78	5.3
4th Quarter	30.2	22.6	26.4	78	4.3
Average 1995	30.1	23.3	26.6	77	4.9

Source : Engineering Division - Ministry of Agriculture

1/ - Mean Evaporation per Day.

Fig. II - 1

ANNUAL TEMPERATURE RANGE



■ MAXIMUM ▨ MINIMUM ▩ MEAN

Table II - 3. Rainfall Data (mm) from Observation Stations

Stations	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Marquis Estate	1,443.6	2,154.0	1,575.0	1172.0	2068.1
Trouya	1,452.1	1,972.6	1,030.7	1496.0	1788.2
Union	1,875.9	2,320.8	1,850.4	1903.0	2082.9
George V Park	825.0	1,838.9	1,395.9	1616.0	1708.3
Government House	1,797.0	1,970.4	1,778.5	1913.0	1862.6
Roseau, Winban	1,955.0	2,284.4	1,959.0	1990.3	2003.4
Barre De L'isle	2,120.1	2,627.3	2,127.5	2419.0	2247.5
La Caye	1,388.5	1,816.9	1,625.6	1648.0	2093.7
Mamiku	1,318.0	1,539.9	1,489.1	1422.7	1757.8
Patience	1,909.6	2,087.0	1,715.9	1687.0	2197.5
Mahaut	2,301.0	3,097.9	2,255.1	2334.9	2228.4
Beausejour	1,044.6	1,707.3	1,286.2	1371.0	1669.2
Bath Nursery	2,303.7	3,127.7	2,006.7	2709.0	2546.1
Union Vale	1,534.3	2,204.6	1,669.6	1793.0	1986.2
Edmond Forest	2,738.5	3,117.0	2,849.1	3257.7	3474.4
Troumassee	1,270.9	1,769.0	1,310.3	1429.0	1886.6
Vigie Airport	1,684.0	2,108.7	1,566.9	1748.0	1868.6
Hewannora Airport	1,044.6	1,693.4	1,400.2	1364.0	1640.1

Source : Engineering Division, Ministry of Agriculture

Table II - 4. Rainfall Data (mm) from Observation Stations - 1995

Stations	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total 1995
Marquis Estate	75.1	31.2	130.8	166.4	93.0	149.8	125.2	376.9	286.1	310.9	147.3	175.4	2068.1
La Caye	60.6	43.7	275.3	147.8	96.6	131.2	92.0	326.1	395.9	311.2	77.1	136.2	2093.7
Trouya	111.8	40.1	163.8	153.2	99.2	130.6	126.8	370.9	197.0	185.5	132.9	76.4	1788.2
Union	88.4	40.1	149.8	189.0	108.1	170.7	143.6	450.0	239.7	232.5	167.9	103.1	2082.9
George V Park	17.8	28.0	130.9	169.2	83.8	90.5	144.9	407.3	210.6	192.1	135.1	98.1	1708.3
Government House	64.1	28.3	140.9	176.2	105.0	111.9	176.0	432.5	213.2	183.7	124.8	106.0	1862.6
Roseau, Winban	75.1	64.9	128.2	148.8	96.3	123.8	210.0	464.2	269.3	191.2	154.4	77.2	2003.4
Barre D'Isle	101.1	71.2	285.4	193.8	69.6	145.2	170.1	394.4	317.1	242.2	120.9	136.5	2247.5
Mamiku	69.5	43.5	200.2	154.8	44.8	142.5	55.0	339.3	270.2	238.3	95.2	104.5	1757.8
Patience	80.6	64.4	185.1	142.4	93.8	210.2	76.4	420.0	400.7	282.8	114.9	126.2	2197.5
Errard Estate	109.3	63.6	163.5	182.7	61.4	157.8	97.9	393.3	392.7	323.1	118.3	200.6	2264.2
Mahaut	79.9	73.1	192.5	111.2	55.1	206.5	103.5	540.9	351.7	314.7	117.4	81.9	2228.4
Barthe Nursery	71.9	120.8	223.7	220.6	70.4	203.0	155.9	532.2	261.1	380.8	195.3	110.4	2546.1
Union Vale	43.2	55.8	129.8	189.2	32.7	154.6	116.8	467.5	348.4	284.7	109.8	53.7	1986.2
Edmond Forest	63.2	142.1	264.9	295.4	113.2	307.4	249.5	634.8	534.3	413.6	240.8	215.2	3474.4
Troumassee	73.2	30.2	144.5	115.1	39.6	165.2	60.2	367.7	331.1	272.8	174.0	113.0	1886.6
Hewannora Airport	63.2	31.6	184.0	117.2	43.9	148.0	105.7	322.4	285.6	184.0	98.7	55.8	1640.1
Cap Estate	91.7	32.3	159.9	164.9	49.0	179.3	90.6	328.1	168.7	163.2	62.3	54.4	1544.4
Beausejour	78.3	18.1	121.8	108.6	34.7	144.4	104.6	397.9	297.0	171.3	111.4	81.1	1669.2
Vigie Airport	65.1	32.5	110.6	150.9	93.4	134.8	158.7	420.8	235.8	195.0	167.9	103.1	1868.6

Source : Engineering Division - Ministry of Agriculture

AGRICULTURAL FINANCING

In 1995 the St. Lucia Development Bank (SLDB) granted a total of 131 loans, valued at \$1.8 million. Although the number of loans granted in that period decreased by 25 or 16%, the value of these loans decreased by only 0.1% from the previous period 1994.

Of the total amount of funds disbursed, 126 or 96% valued at \$1.6 million were funded by the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) and the remaining 4% with a value of \$0.2 million were funded locally. Although the number of loans funded locally declined by approximately 62% over the corresponding period of 1994, the total value of these loans increased by over \$0.1 million.

It can be observed from Table III- 1, that from 1991- 1994 the number of loans funded by the CDB increased steadily. 1995 was the only year that experienced a decrease of approximately 12%. The number of loans funded locally has also decreased steadily over the last five years, but the value of those loans reflected an increase of \$0.15 million in 1995.

Sixty one percent (61%) of the monies disbursed was allocated to Farm Development at a total value of \$1.1 million. Of those loans, \$0.5 million or 49% was disbursed to farms 1 - 5 acres in size, \$0.4 million or 36% to farms 11 acres and larger and the remaining \$0.2 million or 15% to farms 6 - 10 acres in size.

Fishing activities received a total of 38 loans valued at \$0.5 million, this represented a decline of 39% when compared to the previous period 1994. In 1995 Livestock Development received only 4 loans at a value of \$0.1 million. This figure represents a 69% increase over the value of loans granted for Livestock Development in 1994. Loans for the rearing and maintenance of Pigs, accounted for the bulk of monies disbursed for the above mentioned category, \$0.9 million or 86%. Bees and Poultry received loans valued at \$.01 million or 14% of the total value of Livestock loans.

Both the number and value of loans available for Land Purchase and Development have been decreasing since 1993. The number of loans granted fell by over 50% from 14 in 1994, to 6 in 1995. The value of those loans however, decreased by only \$0.05 million or 15% in 1995.

Prior to 1993 loans granted by SLDB for Agricultural and Fishing activities were financed by the Small Farmers Development Project (SFAD), CDB and the Government of Saint Lucia (referred to as Local). Since the termination of the project in 1993 loans from the SLDB are being financed by the latter last two sources mentioned above.

Table III - 1. Number, Value and Percentage of Agricultural and Fishing Loans Approved by Type of Credit Scheme

Period	Type of Credit Scheme											
	CDB			SFAD			Local			Total		
	No.	\$'000	%	No.	\$'000	%	No.	\$'000	%	No.	\$'000	%
1991	39	469	37	149	809	63	-	-	-	188	1,278	100
1992	112	1,297	28	70	334	7	53	3,001	65	235	4,632	100
1993	127	1,282	59	-	-	-	15	896	41	142	2,178	100
1994	143	1,754	95	-	-	-	13	94	5	156	1,848	100
1995	126	1,604	87	-	-	-	5	241	13	131	1,845	100

Source: St. Lucia Development Bank

CDB:- Caribbean Development Bank

SFAD:- Small Farmer Agricultural Development

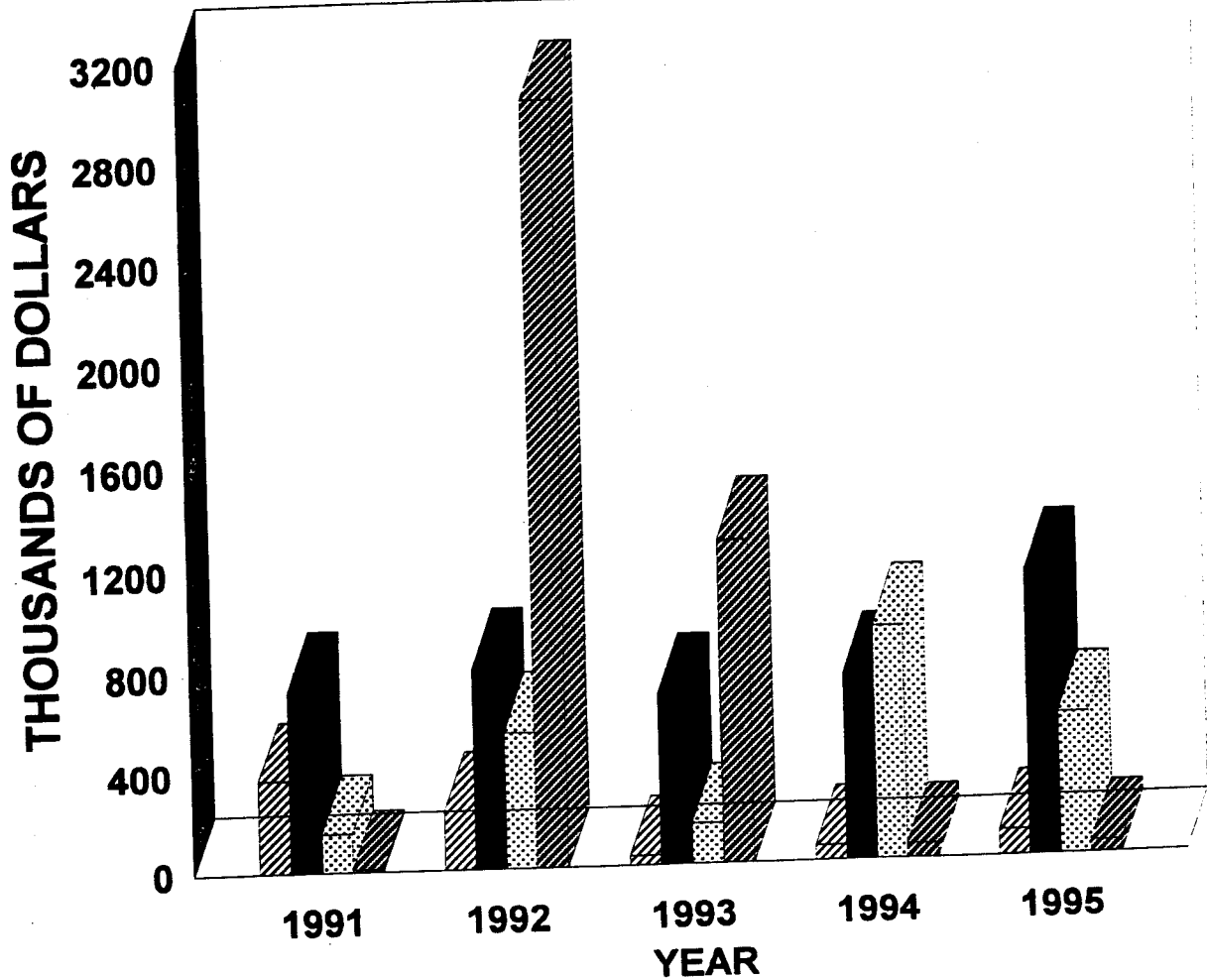
**Table III - 2. Loans Approved for Agricultural and Fishing Activities
by Number, Value and Type of Activity**

Type of Activity	1991		1992		1993		1994		1995	
	No.	\$'000	No.	\$'000	No.	\$'000	No.	\$'000	No.	\$'000
<u>Livestock</u>										
- Poultry	25	297	8	111	1	2	3	45	1	11
- Cattle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Sheep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Pigs	6	81	8	126	3	35	1	5	2	89
- Bees	-	-	1	3	1	3	2	11	1	3
Total Livestock	31	378	17	240	5	40	6	61	4	103
<u>Fishing</u>	18	158	26	552	16	164	39	928	38	567
<u>Farm Development</u>										
- 1-5 acres	137	730	118	628	58	504	73	592	68	556
- 6-10 acres	-	-	16	175	35	182	19	103	13	164
- 11+ acres	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	49	2	405
Total Farm Development	137	730	134	803	93	686	95	744	83	1,125
<u>Industry</u>	-	-	-	-	1	6	2	56	-	-
<u>Land Purchase and Development</u>	2	12	58	3,037	27	1,282	14	59	6	50
Grand Total	188	1,278	235	4,632	142	2,178	156	1,848	131	1,845

Source : St. Lucia Development Bank

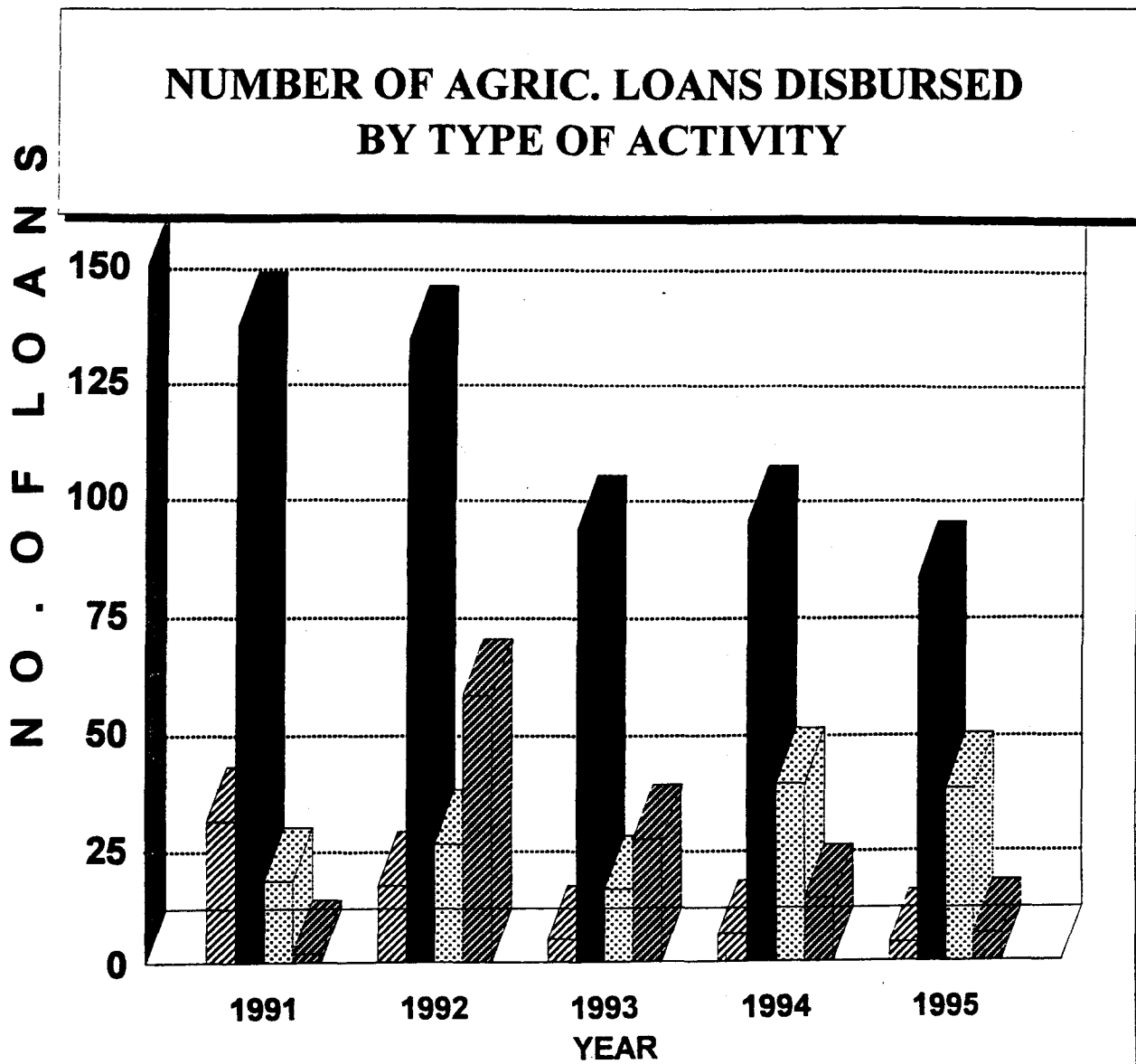
Fig. III - 1

**VALUE OF AGRIC. LOANS DISBURSED
BY TYPE OF ACTIVITY - (EC\$)**



- ▨ LIVESTOCK
- FARM DEVELOPMENT
- ▨ FISHING
- ▨ LAND PURCHASE

Fig III - 2



▨ LIVESTOCK

■ FARM DEVELOPMENT

▣ FISHING

▨ LAND PURCHASE

The Banana Industry

The recovery period after the devastating effects of Tropical storm Debbie in 1994, saw some improvement in the Banana Industry. However the fourth quarter of 1995 recorded some decline in production due to storms and hurricanes which affected the island during the third quarter of 1995.

Total banana purchased in 1995 by the St. Lucia Banana Growers Association (SLBGA) was 105,452 tonnes. This amount increased by 14,739 tonnes or 16.2% over what was purchased in 1994. Total banana exports for 1995 was 103,063 tonnes. This figure represents an increase of 13,002 tonnes or 14.4% in comparison to 1994.

The second quarter of the review period recorded the highest purchases; 28,083 tonnes, whilst the fourth quarter had the lowest purchases ; 24,794 tonnes. However it should be noted that there was also minimum wastage in that period (see table IV-1)

Table IV-1 reveals that 1992 was the best year for the Banana Industry during the five years under review. That period recorded a purchase high of over 135,000 tonnes of bananas with an export volume of a little over 130,000 tonnes.

The Green Market Price paid to Geest Industries was reduced by \$0.19 over the review period. Accordingly the price paid to SLBGA fell from \$1.27 in 1994 to \$1.26 in 1995. The decline in price was largely due to a highly over supplied U.K. market and poor fruit quality. However the price paid to farmers increased by \$0.06.

There was a slight increase in the average sterling price to the Eastern Caribbean dollar. The exchange rate increased from \$4.11 in 1994 to \$4.26 in 1995, with 1991 having the highest exchange rate of \$5.09 for the five years period.

St. Lucia continued to account for the bulk of the Windward Island banana exports to the U.K. St. Lucia's share of exports represented 44% of total exports from the Windward islands. St. Vincent, St. Lucia, and Grenada experienced increases in export volumes of 61%,15%, and 0.08% respectively, while Dominica experienced a decline for the third consecutive year; a decline of 24% from the previous period. Dominica's banana industry was greatly affected by the passage of storms and hurricanes during the third quarter.

Generally the Windward Islands experienced increases in banana export volumes. Banana exports increased from 168,230 tonnes in 1994 to 190,433 tonnes or 13.2% in 1995. Accordingly exports earnings increased from \$217 million in 1994 to \$240 million in 1995.

Table IV - 1. Banana Purchases and Exports

Period	Tonnes	
	Purchases 1/	Exports 2/
1991	99,380	99,044
1992	135,372	130,857
1993	122,365	120,129
1994	90,713	90,061
1995 1st Quarter	26,005	24,100
2nd Quarter	28,083	27,910
3rd Quarter	26,570	26,259
October	8,462	8,462
November	6,800	6,800
December	9,532	9,532
4th Quarter	24,794	24,794
Total 1995	105,452	103,063

Source : St. Lucia Banana Growers Association

1/ - These are purchases made by SLBGA from the Buying Depots and Private Estates.

2/ - These are sales to Geest by SLBGA

Fig. IV - 1

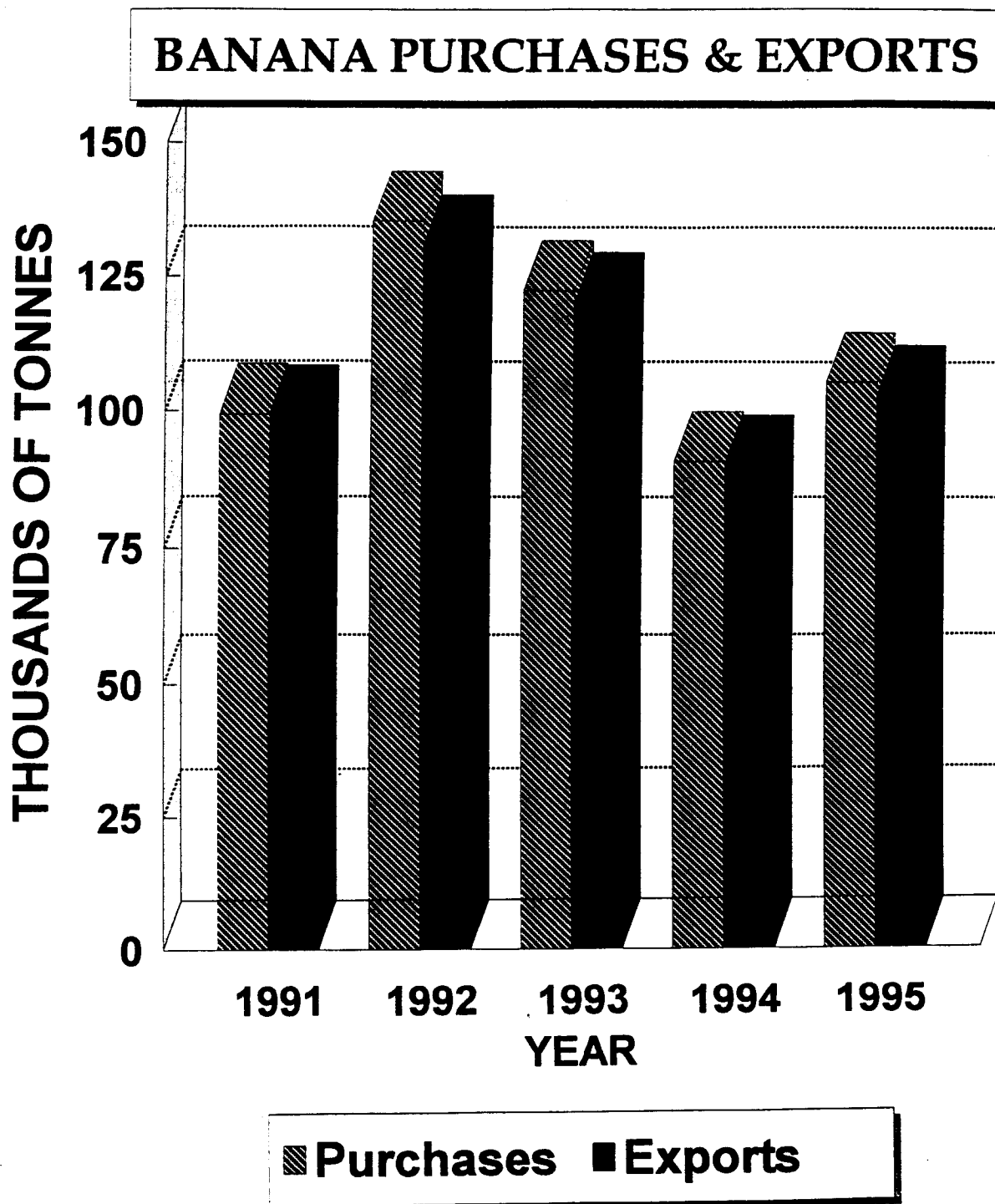


Table IV - 2. Banana Purchases (tonnes) by Boxing Depots

Buying Depots	Zone	1995							Total 1995	Total 1994	Total 1993	Total 1992	Total 1991
		1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	October	November	December	4th Quarter					
Fond Assau	A - 1	56	43	44	15	14	16	45	188	292	338	796	608
Forestierre	A - 2	60	78	57	22	18	10	50	245	316	336	544	410
Union	A - 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ti Rocher	A - 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42	107	175
Deneriere Riviere	B - 1	387	421	398	147	130	194	471	1,677	1,413	1,583	1,588	1,207
Gadette	B - 2	374	419	372	140	127	195	462	1,627	1,344	1,511	1,667	896
Grand Riviere	C - 1	1,098	1,197	1,156	453	402	629	1,484	4,935	3,719	4,334	4,237	3,038
Theobald	C - 2	290	298	293	113	99	129	341	1,222	883	891	1,138	627
Errard	C - 3	201	275	244	84	80	117	281	1,001	710	1,159	1,632	1,410
Troumassee	F - 1	495	546	518	177	165	314	656	2,215	1,217	1,999	2,439	2,061
Blanchard	F - 2	393	458	452	165	141	220	526	1,829	1,211	657	-	-
Retraite	H - 1	276	241	266	89	66	99	254	1,037	941	1,405	1,227	725
Belle Vue	H - 2	784	864	883	321	259	407	987	3,518	2,742	4,191	4,545	2,849
Banse	H - 3	329	327	310	120	106	139	365	1,331	1,208	1,953	1,736	1,353
Morne Cayenne	H - 4	367	388	339	136	122	196	454	1,548	893	1,390	1,843	1,232
Victoria	I - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	171	-	19
Giraud	I - 2	81	74	84	24	21	25	70	309	197	-	-	-
S.L.M.F.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	998	3,815	-
Odsan	J - 1	234	245	225	72	71	102	245	949	959	1,075	1,337	1,129
Vanard	J - 2	221	210	233	78	64	85	227	891	1,049	1,260	2,202	1,656
Bexon	J - 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	234	638	546
Private Estates		18,878	22,007	20,385	6,306	4,915	5,652	16,873	78,143	71,375	96,860	110,172	80,660
Total		24,524	28,091	26,259	8,462	6,800	8,529	23,791	102,665	90,469	122,387	141,663	100,601

Source : St. Lucia Banana Growers Association

Table IV - 3. Banana Price Structure

Period	Average sterling price Value - E.C\$	Price (\$C per kg)		
		Green Market Price 1/	Price Paid to SLBGA 2/	Price Paid to Producers 3/
1991	5.09	2.60	1.41	0.68
1992	4.72	2.54	1.39	0.86
1993	4.02	2.18	1.13	0.69
1994	4.11	2.54	1.27	0.74
1995 1st Quarter	4.25	2.56	1.45	0.82
2nd Quarter	4.31	2.65	1.49	0.92
3rd Quarter	4.26	2.13	1.06	0.77
October	4.28	2.07	1.31	0.70
November	4.23	2.13	0.93	0.70
December	4.15	1.95	0.88	0.70
4th Quarter	4.22	2.05	1.04	0.70
Average 1995	4.26	2.35	1.26	0.80

Source : Windward Islands Banana Development Company -(WIBDECO)

1 - Price paid by purchaser in the U.K. to Geest Industries for the Green Fruit

2 - Price paid by Geest Industries to SLBGA

3 - Price paid by SLBGA to the Banana Producers

Table IV - 4. Comparative Banana Exports by Quantity and Value - Windward Islands

Period	St. Lucia		St. Vincent		Dominica		Grenada	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
1991	100,601	146,390	63,082	89,479	55,257	80,898	6,926	117,726
1992	132,852	184,849	77,361	101,404	58,024	82,178	6,300	7,824
1993	122,925	137,898	58,686	61,997	55,936	65,122	4,791	4,845
1994	90,061	115,713	30,925	39,826	42,702	55,373	4,542	5,906
1995 1st Quarter	24,523	35,355	13,096	19,296	9,479	14,825	1,309	1,696
2nd Quarter	28,090	41,469	13,517	19,478	14,147	21,045	1,415	1,793
3rd Quarter	24,241	25,863	9,404	9,926	8,321	8,940	919	975
4th Quarter	26,813	25,406	13,881	12,581	375	335	903	741
Total 1995	103,667	128,093	49,898	61,281	32,322	45,145	4,546	5,205

Source : WIBDECO

Table IV - 5. Price Range of Banana Inputs for 1995

Type of Inputs	Unit of Quantity	Price Range E.C. \$. C
Blue Diothene - Large	30 Kg roll	155.00 - 192.00
Blue Diothene - Treated	10 Kg roll	115.00 - 126.50
Blue Diothene - Small	15 Kg roll	78.00 - 100.50
<u>FERTILIZERS</u>		
Fertilizer N.P.K.	50 Kg Bag	41.00 - 49.00
Sulphate of Ammonia	50 Kg Bag	28.00 - 43.00
Muriate of Potash	50 Kg Bag	43.80 - 49.00
Urea	50 Kg Bag	39.00 - 58.00
Dolomite Lime	50 Kg Bag	30.76 - 36.00
<u>WEEDICIDES</u>		
Daconate	Gallon	30.96 - 34.00
Dalapon	50 Kg Bag	275.00
Gramaxone	5 Litre	57.00 - 59.00
Gramaxone	1 Litre	13.00 - 16.50
Maloran	1 Kg	22.00 - 38.98
Reglone	5 Litre	75.36 - 80.00
Reglone	1 Litre	14.65 - 16.00
Round Up	Gallon	128.00 - 134.00
Talent	3.5 Litre	79.21 - 87.00
<u>INSECTICIDES</u>		
Furadan	25 Kg Bag	167.77 - 193.00
Primicid	5 Litre	127.00 - 156.00
Vydate	Gallon	79.74 - 98.00
<u>FUNGICIDES</u>		
Calixin	1 Litre	42.11
Mertect	1 Litre	80.50 - 91.00

Source : St. Lucia Banana Growers Association

Table IV - 6. Imports of Fertilizer by Type, Quantity and Value

Period	Ammonium Nitrate		Ammonium Sulphate		Urea		Other Fertilizers	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
1991	1,366	1,397	2,996	2,138	304	295	6,374	5,278
1992	1,666	1,039	1,545	642	79	106	8,632	7,144
1993	2,741	1,687	192	85	83	96	4,270	2,713
1994	84	145	--	2	25	16	4,915	5,508
1995 1st Quarter	17	36	334	652	5	5	690	684
2nd Quarter	--	--	..	..	12	11	3,898	3,156
3rd Quarter	--	--	..	2	8	17	2,137	2,066
4th Quarter	--	--	..	2	6	9	5	28
Total 1995	17	36	334	656	31	42	6,730	5,934

Source: Foreign Trade Report

The Coconut Industry

The economic performance in the Coconut Industry continued to be on the decline in 1995. Total copra purchased by the main purchaser, St. Lucia Coconut Growers Association was 2,098 tonnes. A decline of 769 tonnes or 27% from 1994 quantity. This current production level is the lowest production level recorded by the industry for the five years period, 1991 to 1995.

Correspondingly, total earnings declined rapidly from \$6.6 million in 1994 to \$1.4 million in 1995. A significant loss of approximately \$5.2 million or 79% of revenue generated by the industry.

The first quarter of the period under review recorded the highest purchase level, 1,030 tonnes, almost 50% of total purchases for 1995, while the fourth quarter recorded the lowest purchase level, 327 tonnes. There were no purchases for the third quarter which seems to have impacted negatively on total purchases for 1995.

Revenue generated from the exports of copra derivatives amounted to \$0.7 million. This value represents a 32% decline from that which obtained in 1994, about \$2.1 million. In fact 1995 recorded the lowest revenue amount generated from exports of copra derivatives for the period 1991-1995.

1993 was the best year for the copra industry. That year, the industry recorded purchases of a little over 4,000 tonnes valued at \$3.9 million. Revenue from exports of copra derivatives for that year was a little over \$5 million.

The exports of coconut oil continued to do poorly from 1994. The volume of coconut oil exported declined from 889 tonnes in 1994 to 334 tonnes in 1995. The quantity of coconut oil exported in 1995 was the lowest export level attained for the five years period.

There continues to be no exports for laundry soap for the period under review. The export volume of coconut meal declined by over 90% in comparison to 1994. This drastic decline in quantity exported was also reflected in earnings obtained from the product. Earnings obtained for the aforementioned product was a mere \$.01 million.

Table V - 1. Copra Deliveries to Principal Purchaser

Period	Quantity (TONNES)	Value \$'000
1991	3,985	3,700
1992	3,300	2,588
1993	4,042	3,896
1994	2,867	6,552
1995 1st Quarter	1,033	694
2nd Quarter	738	496
3rd Quarter	--	--
4th Quarter	327	294
Total 1995	2,098	1,484

Source : St. Lucia Coconut Growers Association

Fig. V - 1

**COPRA PURCHASES
BY PRINCIPAL PURCHASER**

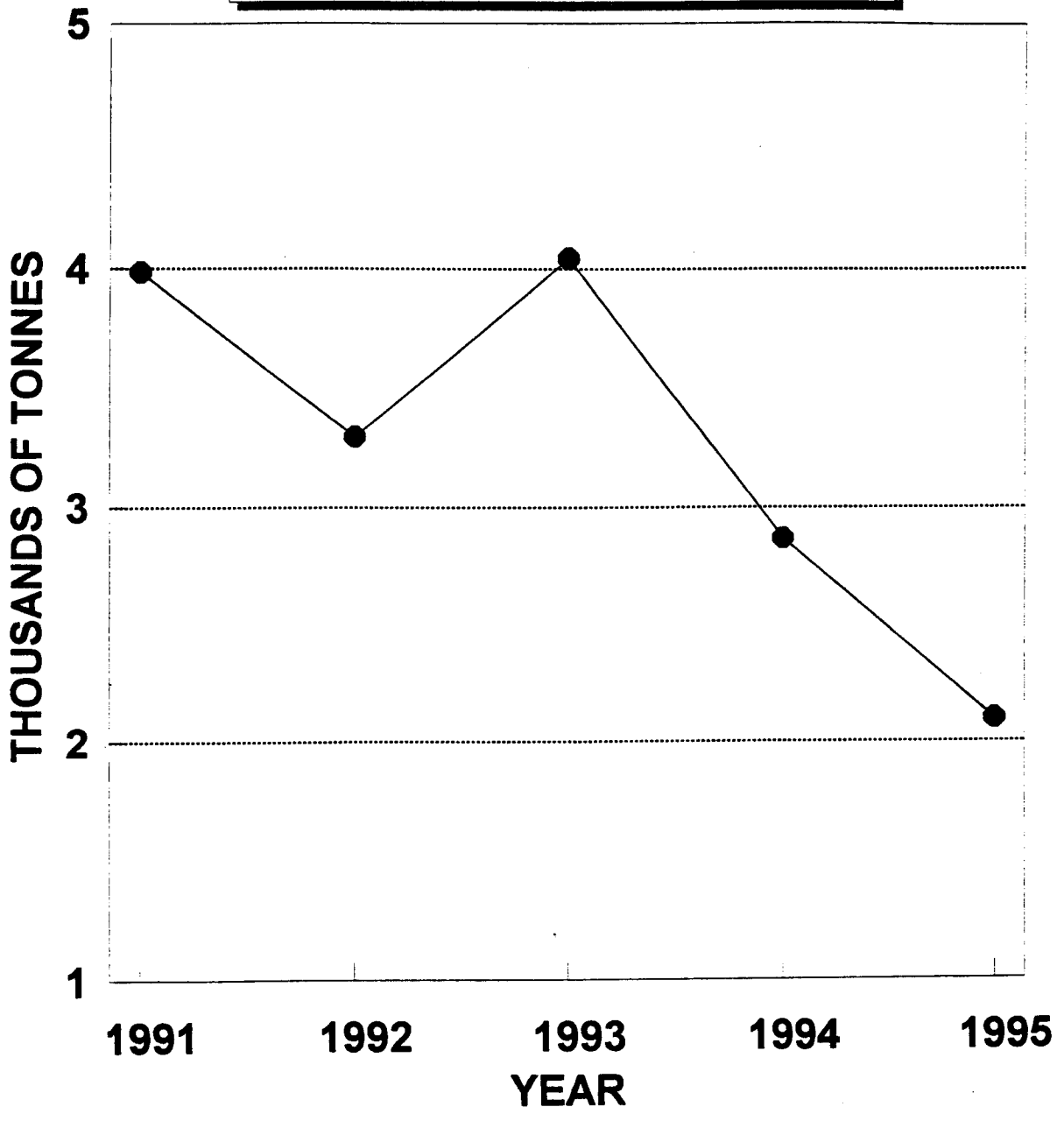


Table V - 2. Exports of Copra Products by Quantity and Value

Period	Coconut Oil				Laundry Soap		Coconut Meal		Total Value \$'000
	Refined		Unrefined		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	
	000 Litres	\$'000	000 Litres	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	
1991	851	2236	639	1,326	1	3	443	140	3,705
1992	1028	1069	2	6	14	34	228	101	1,210
1993	2462	4161	-	-	59	809	465	114	5,084
1994	889	1982	-	-	-	-	308	74	2,056
1995	334	670	-	-	-	-	13	5	675

Source : Foreign Trade Report

The Cocoa Industry

The cocoa industry continued its sluggish performance following the trend for the five year period. The best years for that industry were 1992 with respect to purchases of 61 tonnes, and 1993 in terms of revenue generated from exports of cocoa, \$ 0.4 million.

1995 saw no major improvement to the performance of the cocoa industry. The total volume of cocoa beans produced as measured by the purchases of cocoa, declined from 53 tonnes in 1994 to 29 tonnes in 1995. However, this reduction in purchases was not reflected in the exports of cocoa, which recorded an increase of 11 tonnes more than that exported in 1994. However exports earnings for that period declined by \$0.03 million or 10%.

There was no exports of cocoa beans for the third quarter of 1995, while the second quarter of that period recorded the highest exports of 31 tonnes valued at \$0.2 million.

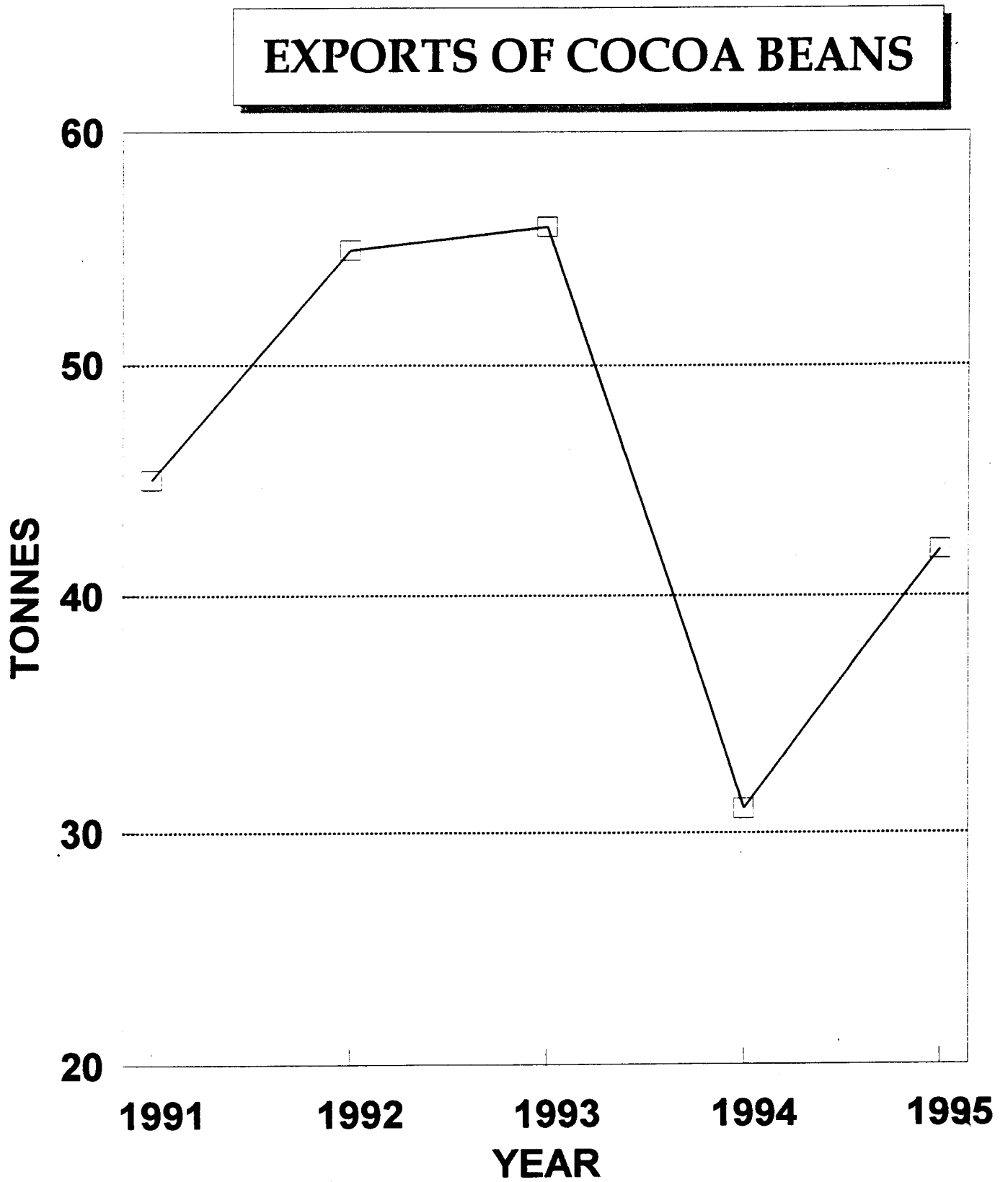
The average price paid to farmers continues to be consistent throughout the years, \$6.60 per kg. An advance price of \$2.00 is paid to farmers at the time of purchase . A further payment is made at the end of the year after all expenses have been deducted.

Table VI - 1. Purchases and Exports (R) of Cocoa Beans

Period	Purchases by Principal Exporter (Tonnes)	Export		Average Price Paid to Producers \$.C/kg
		Quantity (Tonnes)	Value \$'000	
1991	43	45	324	6.60
1992	61	55	391	6.60
1993	45	56	402	6.60
1994	53	31	334	6.60
1995 1st Quarter	18			6.60
2nd Quarter	4	31	221	6.60
3rd Quarter	3			6.60
4th Quarter	4	11	79	6.60
Total 1995	29	42	300	6.60

Source : St. Lucia Agriculturist Association & Foreign Trade Report

Fig. VI -2



Domestic Food Marketing

The total quantity of selected Agriculture produce purchased by the selected marketing outlets increased from 1451 tonnes in 1994 to 1634 tonnes or 13% in 1995.

Fruit continues to be the dominant category of fresh produce purchased. In 1995, fruits accounted for 38% of the total volume of fresh produce supplied. Generally there were increases recorded in several fruits in comparison to 1994. The purchases of ripe bananas increased from 45 tonnes in 1994 to 83 tonnes in 1995, while maintaining an average price of \$.86 per kg. This figure represents an increase of 38 tonnes or 84%. Carambola recorded a significant increase of almost 1.1 tonnes over the last period where supply was a little over 0.5 of a tonne. Mandarine and Plum also showed significant increases. Mandarine purchases increased from 0.1 tonne in 1994 to almost 1 tonne in 1995. Plum purchases increased from .04 tonne in 1994 to 0.33 tonne in 1995.

Once again, citrus has maintained its popularity among the other fruits as the main fruit purchased by the marketing outlets. The aforementioned fruit group recorded 410 tonnes or 65% of total fruit purchased. Of that category grapefruit contributed a little over 50%. Sweet orange the second major fruit from that category contributed 31% of the total purchases.

There was a constant supply of grapefruit throughout the year. The lowest prices of \$0.31 and \$0.35 per kg were recorded in the months of December and January respectively when supplies are usually at its highest. Conversely, July recorded the highest price \$1.65 per kg.

Mango, the second major fruit purchased, declined in 1995 to 40 tonnes or 49.4% in comparison to 79 tonnes supplied in 1994. There were declines in purchases of all the various mango types. There was a noticeable decline of 26 tonnes or 70% in the Graham variety as compared to 1994. Julie declined by almost 1.5 tonnes. Watermelon also recorded a significant decline of almost 10 tonnes or 46.7% from the corresponding period last year.

The supply of the five vegetables namely, Cabbage, Carrot, Lettuce, Tomato and Sweet pepper targeted by the Ministry of Agriculture, did not show as favorable production increases as those recorded in 1994. All five vegetables recorded decreased purchases in 1995. However tomato recorded the most significant decline of almost 6 tonnes or 12.7% in comparison to 1994 purchase level. The

other four vegetables recorded decreases ranging from a maximum of 3.5 tonnes to a minimum of 0.5 tonne. The import substitution vegetables were in constant supply throughout the year, with supply peaking during the first half of the year. The price of Cabbage ranged from a low of \$2.95 per kg in March to a high of \$4.81 in July

The lowest price for Carrots was obtained in July, \$2.20 per kg while the highest price of \$4.41 per kg was obtained in January. Lettuce obtained its lowest price of \$2.62 per kg in January and its highest price of \$6.39 per kg in October. The price for sweet pepper ranged from \$4.45 in August to \$6.24 in January. Tomato's prices ranged from \$3.62 in January to \$6.81 in July. (See table VII-3)

The quantity of Dasheen purchased in 1995 increased by 29 tonnes over that supplied in 1994. Dasheen was available in large quantities throughout the year. Supply of this commodity peaked in November. The price of Dasheen ranged from a low of \$1.94 per kg to a high of \$3.00 per kg. Purchases of Sweet Potato almost doubled in 1995 over last year's. Sweet Potato was also purchased in significant quantities throughout the year with the most purchases in July. The average price of Sweet Potato in 1995 was \$2.64 per kg. The supply of yams increased from 82 tonnes in 1994 to 86 tonnes in 1995. Yellow yam accounted for the bulk of the yams purchased. The highest price being \$4.78 per kg and the lowest \$4.30 per kg. The yam purchased at the lowest price was banja at a minimum price of \$1.59 and a maximum price of \$3.31.

Breadfruit and plantain also recorded increases in purchases. Breadfruit purchases increased by 13 tonnes and plantain's increased by 19 tonnes over the amounts for 1994. Breadfruit's purchases peaked in July, however the lowest price of \$.55 per kg was attained in October. Plantain's lowest purchased price of \$1.06 was received in September, however the highest purchase volume was recorded in July.

Generally, the purchases of seasoning and spices declined by 3 tonnes in comparison to 1994. The prices of these commodities ranged from a high of \$44.00 per kg for clove and a low of \$3.30 per kg for ginger.

Table VII - 1. Total Quantity (kgs) of Selected Agricultural Produce Purchased by Selected Marketing Outlets (1991- 1995)

Produce	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Avocado	17,178	19,895	20,964	27,077	22,497
Banana [ripe]	52,517	33,823	39,840	45,126	83,026
Canteloupe	4,954	4,485	4,485	4,239	4,667
Carambola			566	645	1,784
Golden Apple	2,751	6,966	12,380	9,358	14,481
Grapefruit	82,642	116,723	123,921	133,592	195,897
Lemon	3,580	4,181	8,198	6,947	9,560
Lime	30,564	38,088	37,826	51,286	51,671
Loveapple			136	60	22
Mandarine			23	69	684
Mango - Graham	13,234	9,983	12,895	37,771	11,332
- Julie	3,011	5,764	3,102	9,581	8,264
- Others	16,260	9,015	10,767	29,504	20,720
Orange [sour]	4,571	4,609	5,301	5,575	6,897
Orange [sweet]	68,791	78,583	105,806	113,573	120,330
Ortaniques	877		160	258	307
Passion Fruit	2,138	4,677	7,718	9,713	9,586
Paw Paw	1,160	3,506	3,407	5,861	7,855
Pineapple	8,974	9,281	16,430	13,112	14,389
Plum	810		33	38	327
Sapodilla			38	242	215
Shaddock	501	544	77		142
Sorrel			78	35	115
Sour Sop	4,786	3,987	2,984	5,117	3,440
Tangerine	15,608	16,846	20,366	19,277	23,648
Watermelon	14,433	19,609	12,052	21,100	11,236
Bora Beans			33	15	
Bean Sprout				305	287
Broccoli			85	51	184
Brussel Sprouts				109	
Cabbage	78,396	67,191	105,513	121,854	120,616
Calaloo	78	105	83	94	308
Carrot	12,748	8,348	3,503	4,538	1,947
Cherry Tomato				46	33
Chinese Cabbage	5,447	5,770	9,273	13,820	16,289
Christophene	17,537	18,555	25,579	24,042	15,437
Corn			289	28	171
Cucumber	75,449	86,289	91,783	109,357	98,750
Eggplant	7,552	3,183	5,677	5,882	8,937
Leek	36	123	13		65
Lettuce	21,502	20,110	24,562	29,864	26,308
Okra	5,824	4,507	8,061	9,619	14,730
Pepper - Hot			1,813	4,907	6,644
- Seasoning	4,753	4,855	5,328	9,081	10,602
- Sweet	16,821	8,364	8,981	11,849	11,373

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Table VII - 1. Total Quantity (kgs) of Selected Agricultural Produce Purchased by Selected Marketing Outlets (1991 -1995)

Produce	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Pumpkin	44,337	43,292	34,925	43,595	44,155
Radish				287	
Salad Beans	20,303	14,015	18,826	17,277	13,578
Spinach	4,391	3,760	3,602	4,165	2,723
Squash	85	25	44	146	564
Tomato	64,476	63,858	34,137	53,491	46,720
Turnip	2,136	1,690	1,252	2,071	1,455
Zucchini	4,140	3,258	1,350	2,042	2,995
Banana - Green	22,751	14,537	16,886	9,445	27,783
Breadfruit	2,874	2,199	2,788	5,023	18,188
Breadnut	17	111	199	1,218	1,360
Coconut - Dry (No)	1,362	1,754	996	557	233
Coffee	214	406	427	18	178
Macambou	4,365	8,031	14,099	14,108	23,217
Plantain	133,109	146,473	174,393	129,391	148,265
Dasheen	84,596	90,351	123,432	111,455	140,195
Sweet Potato	35,976	51,362	61,825	48,419	92,854
Tannia	4,674	4,621	10,660	6,981	6,119
Tayo	...	796			
Yams - Banja	4,914	4,838	6,929	12,689	16,650
- Belep	...	982	24		
- Cush Cush	2,118	2,736	5,919	8,498	5,132
- Oriental	1,406	1,814	1,540	1,545	
- Portuguese	6,244	5,647	5,298	6,676	11,519
- Red	25	74	110	198	324
- White	15,924	20,528	24,842	28,702	23,426
- Yellow	19,670	14,858	18,482	23,446	29,157
Celery	2,695	2,976	3,487	7,088	5,000
Chive	1,556	2,782	4,414	6,847	7,171
Cinnamon	1,219	1,188	1,015	1,580	2,032
Ginger	2,831	3,170	2,785	4,122	5,236
Clove			75	44	25
Nutmeg	93	462	544	734	280
Parsley	3,857	2,300	1,144	4,373	1,790
Thyme	508	669	430	506	285

Source : Leading Supermarkets and the St. Lucia Marketing Board

Table VII - 2. Total Quantity (Kgs) of Selected Agricultural Produce Purchased by Selected Marketing Outlets - 1995

Produce	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total 1995
Avocado	426	86			5	215	2,213	5,329	4,067	3,574	3,745	2,835	22,497
Banana [ripe]	4,792	4,784	4,775	7,212	8,090	6,281	10,648	6,738	7,431	8,114	7,370	6,792	83,026
Cantaloupe	701	61	49	97	193	1,264	771	566	596	78	291		4,667
Carambola	20	34	11		16	242	191	324	269	82	258	337	1,784
Golden Apple	33	22					768	3,377	2,488	2,449	3,798	1,547	14,481
Grapefruit	20,612	30,271	40,060	29,538	24,319	5,694	1,374	1,216	3,205	11,682	15,696	12,229	195,897
Lemon	1,259	1,204	2,371	1,075	630	226	112	142	138	226	448	1,728	9,580
Lime	5,257	3,572	691	958	4,490	5,576	7,095	6,022	5,313	5,338	5,182	1,978	61,671
Love Apple				10		11							22
Mandarine			24					18	23	390	108	120	684
Mango - Graham			54		929	4,902	4,613	709	125				11,332
- Julie					3,177	4,013	1,075						8,264
- Others	246	205	3,398	5,159	5,073	2,568	2,073	1,160	278		54	507	20,720
Orange - sour	1,185	1,092	430	687	243	207	4	82	208	506	1,474	779	6,897
- sweet	17,357	4,101	1,478	289	242	178	396	2,526	11,880	24,295	34,197	23,390	120,330
Ortanique		223	84										307
Passion Fruit	54		215	267	719	976	628	965	233	1,221	1,047	3,263	9,566
Paw Paw	58	215	270	469	684	875	789	689	909	1,012	1,198	685	7,655
Pineapple	1,600	1,254	1,027	1,195	1,854	1,515	1,014	1,035	965	831	1,320	776	14,389
Plum							104	171	51				327
Sapodilla			117	25	48		15	10					215
Shaddock										80		62	142
Sorrel	23	14									26	53	115
Sour Sop	370	86	196	309	340	744	525	91	71	26	88	593	3,440
Sugar Apple								10		6	14	5	35
Tamarind							11	10					21
Tangerine	9,710	5,305	2,112	208	73	25			5	868	1,345	3,997	23,648
Watermelon	1,633	947	280	387	560	3,459	1,086	2,112	740		32		11,236
Bora Beans													
Bean Sprout				24	28	26	49	39	28	32	45	16	287
Broccoli		128					11	38		7			184
Cabbage	12,933	17,972	18,551	15,466	10,668	3,956	4,807	9,223	5,746	5,386	4,201	11,708	120,616
Calaloo	7	2	12	13	4	24	15	42	35	48	50	57	308
Carrot	316	339	911	176	44	43	34	29			30	28	1,947
Cherry Tomato			33										33
Chinese Cabbage	1,883	1,467	1,950	1,587	1,043	812	1,725	1,100	328	901	962	2,532	16,289
Christophene	3,104	3,205	1,454	576	1,217	204	6	11	10	143	2,829	2,679	15,437
Corn		82			32		14	23		15	5		171
Cucumber	10,784	1,456	6,454	10,956	14,364	7,627	19,837	6,718	2,208	844	4,602	12,899	98,750
Eggplant	546	708	1,908	1,622	1,948	376	318	392	284	192	317	327	8,937
Leek					16		24	7		1	11	6	65
Lettuce	2,123	2,943	4,450	2,387	2,265	1,543	4,297	713	364	718	1,910	2,596	26,308
Okra	383	59	81	533	1,327	1,763	2,027	1,676	2,027	2,636	1,928	293	14,730
Pepper - Hot	1,120	1,249	926	661	1,093		43	163	18	276	507	588	6,644
- Seasoning	504	221	914	812	1,832	1,208	1,139	1,353	801	983	572	264	10,602
- Sweet	978	1,399	1,427	1,167	1,454	1,681	1,300	851	184	312	312	309	11,373

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Table VII - 2. Total Quantity (Kgs) of Selected Agricultural Produce Purchased by Selected Marketing Outlets - 1995

Produce	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total 1995
Pumpkin	6,003	6,697	7,832	5,526	3,119	2,498	2,075	3,251	2,826	1,239	1,093	1,996	44,155
Salad Beans	1,812	1,138	1,252	1,729	1,541	349	1,611	775	108	682	989	1,591	13,578
Spinach	249	146	181	214	217	340	370	348	211	181	102	165	2,723
Squash	301	147		101	16								564
Tomato	13,068	10,318	4,531	4,671	5,185	2,977	2,182	2,354	85	78	403	868	46,720
Turnip	127	322	225	509	131			24				118	1,455
Zucchini	26	158	322	60	379	1,168	689	45				148	2,995
Banana [Green]	941	1,456	3,036	1,924	1,883	1,676	2,473	1,712	1,498	4,164	3,094	3,925	27,783
Breadfruit	583	2,580	2,567	1,477	2,761	515	3,622	779	378	2,464	456	5	18,188
Breadnut			136	49	68	294	22		98	528	21	145	1,360
Coconut [Dry] (No)	60			43	44				86				233
Coffee				69	40		8	37	22		2		178
Macambou	605	1,207	1,730	2,099	2,832	2,117	2,481	1,859	2,014	2,601	1,756	1,916	23,217
Plantain	1,896	2,651	6,635	10,038	17,024	14,517	25,391	16,565	15,464	14,191	13,790	10,105	148,265
Dasheen	7,842	10,089	12,468	13,388	11,355	9,458	7,084	6,966	13,345	9,991	21,263	16,948	140,195
Sweet Potato	7,803	9,272	8,867	6,242	8,571	7,913	10,635	10,544	4,182	4,196	5,431	9,199	92,854
Tannia	208	208	873	925	671	1,290	478	487	318	184	239	238	6,119
Yams - Banja	4,204	2,441	1,699	650	831	52					4,899	1,873	16,650
- Cush Cush	154	1,211	1,891	1,240	211						38	389	5,132
- Portuguese	263	35	142				179	1,066	1,616	2,804	3,323	2,092	11,519
- Red	35										90	199	324
- White	5,103	2,088	1,050	501	70		54	3,231	808	3,316	4,606	2,598	23,426
- Yellow	1,503	3,163	5,511	7,167	4,113	2,784	1,012	248	265	689	579	2,121	29,157
Basil					7	7							14
Celery	397	460	1,288	1,126	621	348	262	144	50	20	239	44	5,000
Chive	797	715	707	719	893	506	317	565	207	469	489	787	7,171
Cinnamon	87	140	131	101	242	102	236	318	79	200	188	207	2,032
Clove					5	2	17			1			25
Ginger	716	489	1,254	321	182	5	130				326	1,814	5,236
Nutmeg		3	44	30	53	11	66	5	8		13	47	280
Parsley	75	128	408	516	366	169	49	5	6	4	18	46	1,790
Thyme	18	12	24	50	36	40	49	18	9	5	7	15	285

Source : Leading Supermarkets and the St. Lucia Marketing Board

Table VII - 3. Prices (\$.C/Kgs) of Selected Agricultural Produce Purchased by Selected Marketing Outlets - 1995

Produce	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Avocado	2.16	2.20			1.76	2.11	2.14	1.54	1.12	1.21	1.59	1.70
Banana [ripe]	0.86	0.86	0.88	0.86	0.86	0.88	0.86	0.88	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86
Cantaloupe	3.86	3.90	3.70	4.85	2.20	1.80	1.96	2.23	2.93	3.17		2.01
Carambola	3.31	3.20	3.86		3.31	2.66	3.53	2.60	2.07	1.70	2.07	1.90
Golden Apple	0.73	0.88					0.99	0.90	0.49	0.49	0.64	0.66
Grapefruit	0.35	0.44	0.64	0.64	0.97	1.49	1.65	1.63	1.08	0.66	0.42	0.31
Lemon	0.57	0.66	0.71	0.90	0.97	1.27	1.06	1.10	1.01	0.90	0.84	0.68
Lime	1.63	2.78	3.86	6.35	3.95	1.73	1.01	0.93	1.15	1.39	2.12	2.27
Love Apple				2.20		2.20						
Mandarine			0.88					0.66	0.66	1.46	1.87	1.87
Mango - Graham			0.88		0.82	0.63	0.86	0.90	0.99			
- Julie					0.99	0.66	0.88					
- Others	0.46	0.88	0.46	0.46	0.42	0.63	0.64	0.75	0.71		1.43	0.88
Orange - sour	0.40	0.42	0.55	0.66	0.66	0.63	4.41	0.95	0.84	0.55	0.44	0.44
- sweet	1.26	1.94	2.09	2.07	2.16	2.20	2.40	2.38	1.83	0.99	0.86	0.90
Ortanique		0.97	0.97									
Passion Fruit	2.47		2.87	3.53	3.22	3.32	3.31	3.35	3.46	3.62	3.42	3.20
Paw Paw	1.43	1.59	1.65	1.65	1.63	1.65	1.81	1.90	2.51	2.58	2.54	2.47
Pineapple	2.20	2.25	3.06	2.76	2.56	2.24	2.20	2.23	2.20	2.20	2.27	2.36
Plum							2.20	1.98	1.41			
Sapodilla			3.86	3.86	3.86		2.20	2.20				
Shaddock										0.22		0.22
Sorrel	8.25	8.82									8.82	9.85
Sour Sop	0.77	0.66	0.84	0.88	0.82	0.79	0.73	0.95	0.75	0.66	1.26	0.75
Sugar Apple								3.31		3.31	3.31	5.44
Tamarind							1.10	4.41				
Tangerine	0.84	1.59	1.98	1.74	2.05	2.20			1.10	1.12	0.93	0.86
Watermelon	2.82	2.56	2.58	3.11	2.20	2.20	2.27	2.43	2.12	2.40	2.71	
Bora Beans												
Bean Sprout				6.61	6.61	6.60	6.61	6.61	6.61	6.61	6.61	6.61
Broccoli		8.71					5.51	5.51		6.13		
Cabbage	3.22	3.26	2.95	3.17	3.11	4.62	4.81	4.23	4.19	3.95	3.99	3.88
Calaloo	4.96	4.96	4.21	8.16	7.21	4.95	6.06	6.06	6.50	6.55	6.13	6.53
Carrot	4.41	4.39	4.23	4.03	4.25	3.91	2.20	2.84			2.51	2.54
Cherry Tomato			11.02									
Chinese Cabbage	1.65	2.09	1.59	1.85	2.16	2.20	1.63	1.90	2.62	3.17	3.11	1.65
Christophene	2.54	1.98	2.27	2.58	2.65	2.66	2.76	3.31	3.31	3.53	2.56	2.47
Corn		2.20			1.10		2.76	2.76		2.76	2.76	
Cucumber	1.39	2.31	2.27	1.87	1.15	2.20	1.43	1.21	2.43	2.87	2.76	1.96
Eggplant	2.18	2.16	1.68	1.01	0.75	0.96	2.14	2.05	1.81	2.16	2.20	2.14
Leek					7.72		8.82	8.82		8.82	9.92	8.82
Lettuce	2.62	3.87	3.18	4.33	5.50	4.86	3.66	3.11	5.06	6.39	6.10	3.19
Okra	2.82	4.17	4.41	3.64	4.25	3.78	2.71	2.89	2.01	1.48	1.41	2.27
Pepper - Hot	2.60	2.67	2.58	2.40	2.45	2.20			2.20	2.20	2.20	2.27
- Seasoning	8.31	8.53	8.55	8.53	2.40	1.76	3.99	3.64	5.03	4.67	4.45	4.59
- Sweet	6.24	5.64	5.73	5.80	5.38	4.66	5.38	4.45	5.45	5.67	5.82	5.97

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Table VII - 3. Prices (\$.C/Kgs) of Selected Agricultural Produce Purchased by Selected Marketing Outlets - 1995

Produce	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Pumpkin	1.85	1.87	1.43	1.94	2.07	2.26	2.40	2.93	2.58	2.82	3.20	3.13
Salad Beans	4.45	4.78	5.69	5.14	3.84	5.08	5.22	5.20	4.92	5.47	4.43	4.23
Spinach	4.10	3.97	3.44	3.75	3.79	3.82	3.51	3.48	3.88	3.66	3.88	3.46
Squash	1.81	2.20		2.20	2.20							
Tomato	3.62	3.46	5.03	6.79	6.06	6.55	6.81	6.28	5.62	5.51	6.17	6.46
Turnip	2.20	2.20	2.18	2.27	2.18			2.20				2.34
Zucchini	2.43	3.62	2.34	2.93	2.31	2.04	1.21	1.10				2.54
Banana [Green]	0.44	0.42	0.44	0.49	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.44	0.42	0.44	0.44	0.49
Breadfruit	1.25	1.26	0.93	1.00	0.79	0.95	0.62	0.58	0.83	0.55	0.67	1.00
Breadnut			1.65	1.65	1.10	1.10	1.10		1.10	1.87	2.16	2.20
Coconut [Dry] (No)	0.25			0.25	0.25				0.65			
Coffee				11.29	11.02		11.02	11.02	11.02		11.02	
Macambou	0.88	0.84	0.90	0.90	0.88	0.88	0.90	0.90	0.88	0.86	0.86	0.86
Plantain	1.30	1.32	1.41	1.32	1.26	1.07	1.08	0.86	1.06	1.23	1.30	1.32
Dasheen	2.45	2.49	2.36	2.54	2.69	2.75	2.95	2.93	3.00	3.00	2.43	1.94
Sweet Potato	2.58	2.40	2.40	2.43	2.62	2.61	2.65	2.47	2.91	3.02	3.02	2.51
Tannia	3.26	3.40	3.31	3.46	3.37	3.38	3.48	3.53	3.40	3.35	3.46	3.59
Yams - Banja	1.79	1.59	1.61	1.68	1.65	1.65					3.31	1.90
- Cush Cush	4.87	4.70	4.52	4.92	4.41						5.36	4.87
- Portuguese	3.31	3.31	3.06				4.41	4.41	4.41	4.41	4.30	3.68
- Red	1.50										3.53	3.22
- White	3.09	3.22	3.24	3.79	3.92		4.52	4.54	4.34	4.37	3.92	3.90
- Yellow	4.78	4.32	4.56	4.30	4.39	4.42	4.48	4.59	4.59	4.76	4.78	4.63
Basil					11.20	11.00						
Celery	11.84	11.35	7.78	6.92	7.52	11.59	11.00	11.27	20.59	14.88	12.19	14.44
Chive	9.60	10.69	10.23	9.88	8.64	10.12	10.54	10.85	10.05	10.74	10.67	10.47
Cinnamon	23.32	21.98	21.60	22.60	23.66	23.82	24.25	23.99	21.27	23.83	23.06	22.77
Clove					44.09	44.00	44.09			44.09		
Ginger	3.31	3.17	3.51	3.88	4.10	3.30	3.31				4.41	3.95
Nutmeg		9.92	9.92	13.23	9.92	13.20	10.89	13.23	13.23		13.23	11.93
Parsley	11.97	11.68	9.19	7.67	8.51	11.00	11.35	18.87	17.57	21.21	11.57	10.82
Thyme	24.56	19.66	20.94	20.44	18.08	17.97	19.60	19.53	20.35	23.61	19.25	19.05

Source : Leading Supermarkets and the St. Lucia Marketing Board

The Livestock Sub Sector

The production of milk in 1995 improved when compared to the past three years 1991 to 1994. The volume of milk produced from the only dairy on the island during 1995 was 269,810 litres at a total value of almost \$1 million. This figure represents an increase of 11.8% over the corresponding period of 1994. The second quarter of 1995 recorded the highest production level of 82,644 litres or 30.6% of total production.

The total number of livestock slaughtered in 1995 was 2670. This figure represents an increase of 264 heads or 11% over the corresponding period of 1994. Of this amount, pigs were the most slaughtered stock, accounting for over 50% of the total livestock slaughtered for the period.

The unavailability of data from 1993 to 1995 for the number of poultry slaughtered is because of the closure of the St. Lucia Farmers Co-operatives (STAFCO) in mid 1992. This organization had the largest livestock processing facility (used mainly for poultry and pig processing). Since then there has been a number of small processing facilities on the island but the monitoring (in terms of the number of birds processed) has to date not been initiated.

Although the average laying stock on farms dropped by 4.2% by the end of the year, the quantity of eggs produced increased from 791,000 dozens in 1994 to 819,000 dozens in 1995. There were no imports of eggs for the review period. This implies that the trend towards self sufficiency in eggs production is being maintained.

The average price of eggs in 1995 declined by almost \$2.00 per dozen, and this was due mainly to the excess supply and low demand which reduced the purchase prices. As a result producers in the egg industry were forced to reduce their prices thus marginalising their profits.

The value of imports of livestock feed increased from \$2.6 million in 1994 to \$3.1 million in 1995. However the volume of feed decreased by 577 tonnes or 14% over the same period last year. Cattle feed accounted for the largest volume of almost 70% of total feed imported in 1995. Pig feed imports ranked second in volume 23% and poultry the remaining 7%.

Poultry continues to remain the dominant meat consumed on the island. This is reflected in the importation of this commodity over the past five years 1991 to 1995. For that period, poultry imports

registered an excess of 6,000 tonnes per annum, and constituted over 82% of the volume of total meat imports. In 1995, poultry accounted for 84% of total meat imported, valued at a little over \$29 million.

There has been a slight decline in the volume of poultry import, from 7,721 tonnes in 1994 to 7,701 tonnes in 1995. However, the import value of that commodity increased by 4% when compared to 1994.

Since 1992, whole poultry imports continue to experience a steady increase. Poultry parts (excluding necks, backs and wings) has over the last four years (1991 to 1994) accounted for an average 62% of the total quantity of poultry imports, however, this figure dropped to 55% in 1995. Poultry back, necks and wings constitute 49% of total poultry imports for 1995.

Beef the second most consumed meat on the island, showed a decrease in quantity imported from 1,231 tonnes in 1994 to 702 tonnes in 1995. Accordingly, the value of beef imports declined. This drastic decline in beef imports was as a result of the presence of Mad Cow disease in Europe.

Pork imports continue to maintain a steady increase with the exception of 1993. The quantity imported in 1995 accounted for only 2% of the total meat imports, while the import value of \$0.12 million, represented approximately 5% of the total value of meat imports. In the review period, mutton accounted for 6% of total meat imports, of which mutton of sheep accounted for 82% of that proportion.

Generally, there were decreases recorded in the imports of dairy products in comparison to 1994. (See Table VIII- 7). Milk imports accounted for the bulk; 79% of dairy products imported into St. Lucia in 1995, at a value of \$15.4 million. There was a slight reduction of 287 tonnes of milk imports in comparison to the corresponding period 1994.

Cheese imports accounted for 15% of the volume of dairy products imported and Butter/Butterfat accounted for 6.3%. Decreases of 92 and 3 tonnes were recorded for butter/butterfat and cheese respectively.

Table VIII - 1. Milk Production

Period	Quantity Litres	Value E.C.\$
1991	314659	818114
1992	273504	734784
1993	230009	617766
1994	241401	712130
1995 1st Quarter	68130	200984
2nd Quarter	82644	243800
3rd Quarter	62360	183962
4th Quarter	56676	167194
Total 1995	269810	795940

Source: Livestock Development Project, Beausejour, Vieux Fort

Table VIII - 2. Estimated livestock Slaughtered by Type of Stock

Stock Type	NUMBER OF HEADS				
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
CATTLE *	1,357	477	1,251	701	835
SHEEP/GOAT *	373	99	297	326	393
PIGS *	1,826	637	1,692	1,379	1,442
POULTRY	222,232	1,258,237	N.A	N.A	N.A

Source : Ministry of Health & STAFCO

* - Figures are of carcasses inspected by the Public Health

Department and the Castries City Council Health Department

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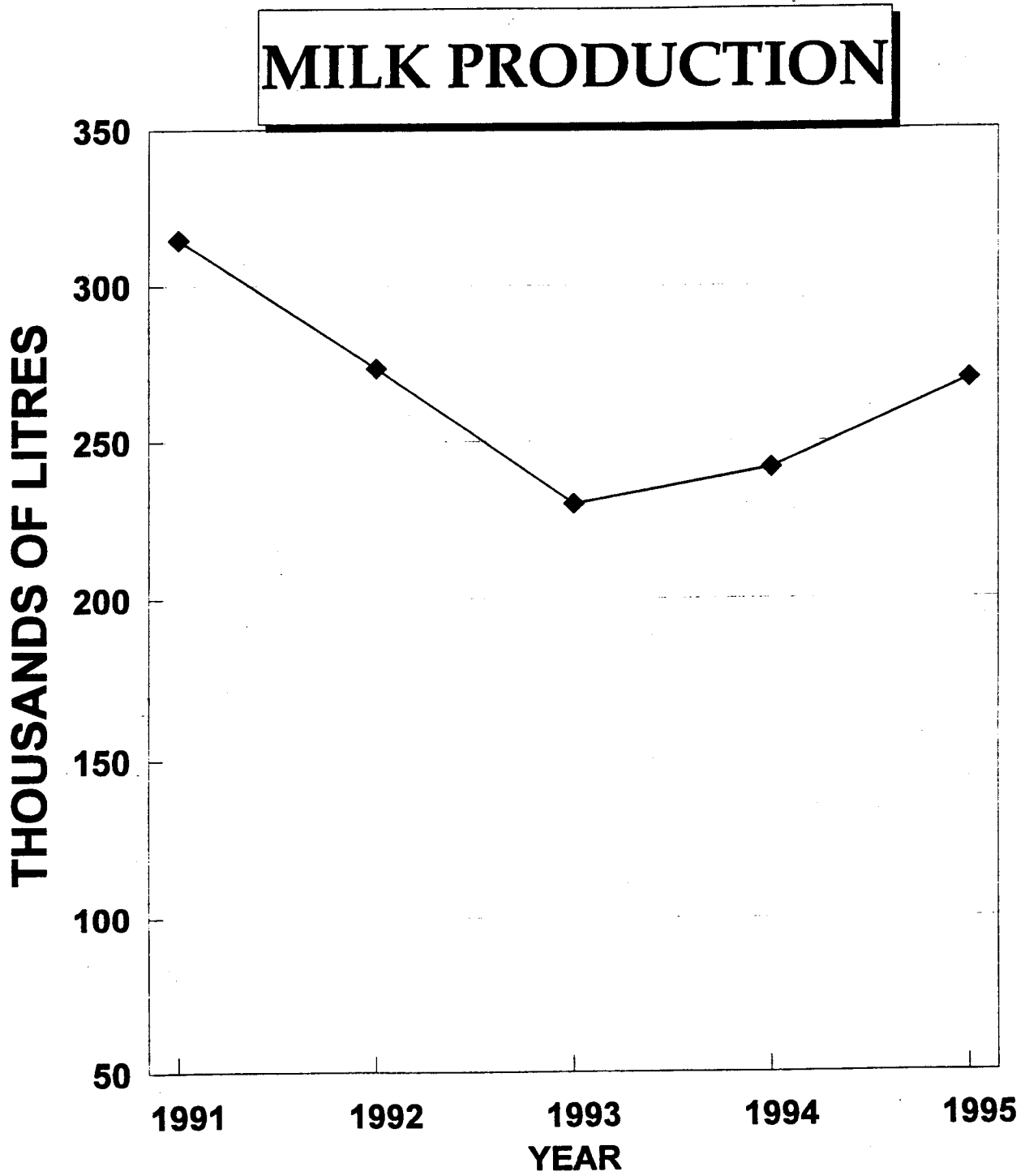


Table VIII - 3. Table Egg Production and Imports

Period	Average Laying Stock on Farm 000 Hens	Local Production		Imports		Available Supply 1/	
		Quantity 000 Dozen Eggs	Producer Value \$'000	Quantity 000 Dozen Eggs	Value \$'000	Quantity 000 Dozen Eggs	Value \$'000
1991	29	466	2,330	96	521	562	2,851
1992	35	593	3,263	7	46	600	3,309
1993	39	605	3,027	1	10	606	3,037
1994	48	791	4,746	18	84	809	4,830
1995 1st Quarter	48	213	852	-	-	213	852
2nd Quarter	44	201	805	-	-	201	805
3rd Quarter	44	198	727	-	-	198	727
4th Quarter	47	207	1,035	-	-	207	1,035
Total 1995	46	819	3,419	-	-	819	3,419

Source : Livestock Department - Ministry of Agriculture & Foreign Trade Report

1/ - Available Supply equals production plus imports

Fig. VIII -2

TABLE EGG PRODUCTION

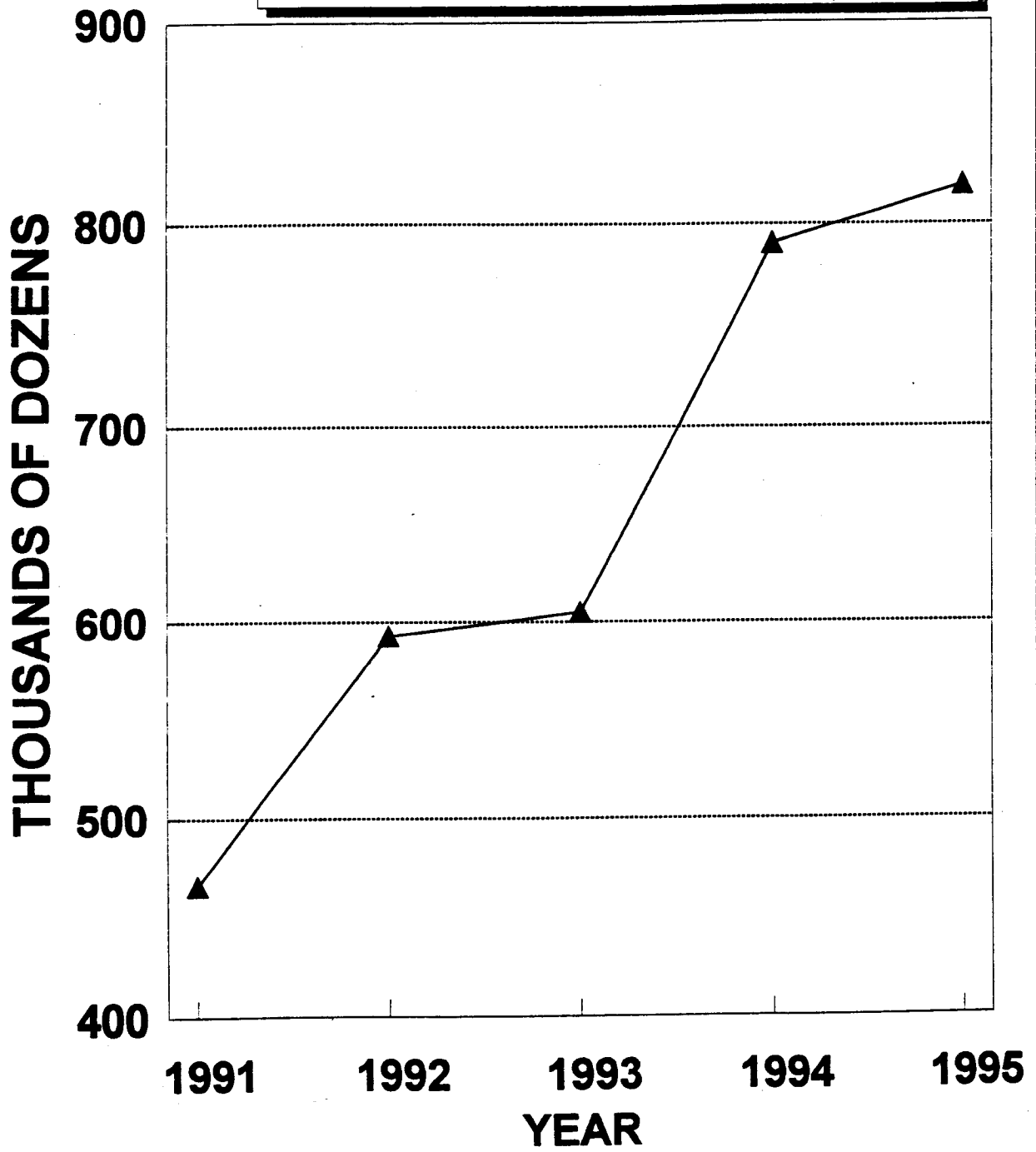


Table VIII - 4. Imports of Feed by Type, Quantity and Value

Period	Total		Poultry		Cattle		Pig	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
1991	2,442	2,294	2,021	1,932	257	235	164	127
1992	3,038	2,889	2,613	2,586	315	201	110	102
1993	3,616	2,870	1,885	1,650	1,396	1,015	335	205
1994	4,095	2,617	100	112	2,633	2,198	1,362	307
1995 1st Quarter	1,047	1,267	2	4	811	1,170	233	94
2nd Quarter	636	490	59	51	415	369	162	70
3rd Quarter	1,127	859	20	17	840	735	268	107
4th Quarter	708	502	183	152	361	278	164	72
Total 1995	3,518	3,118	263	224	2,428	2,552	827	342

Source : Foreign Trade Report

Table VIII - 5. Imports of Poultry by Type, Quantity and Value

Period	POULTRY							
	Total		Whole		Necks, Backs, Wings		Other Parts	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
1991	6,740	22,330	146	738	2,816	6,587	3,778	15,005
1992	6,691	23,306	169	986	2,734	6,700	3,788	15,620
1993	6,954	24,968	304	1,450	2,934	7,450	3,716	16,068
1994	7,721	27,978	369	1,527	3,326	9,633	4,026	16,818
1995 1st Quarter	1,820	6,718	118	459	879	2,585	823	3,674
2nd Quarter	1,820	6,583	97	448	894	2,570	830	3,565
3rd Quarter	2,008	8,316	112	470	939	2,835	957	5,011
4th Quarter	2,052	7,463	168	784	1,067	2,898	817	3,782
Total 1995	7,701	29,080	495	2,160	3,779	10,888	3,427	16,032

Source : Foreign Trade Report

1/ - Frozen and/or Chilled

Table VIII - 6. Imports of Meat 1/ by Type, Quantity and Value

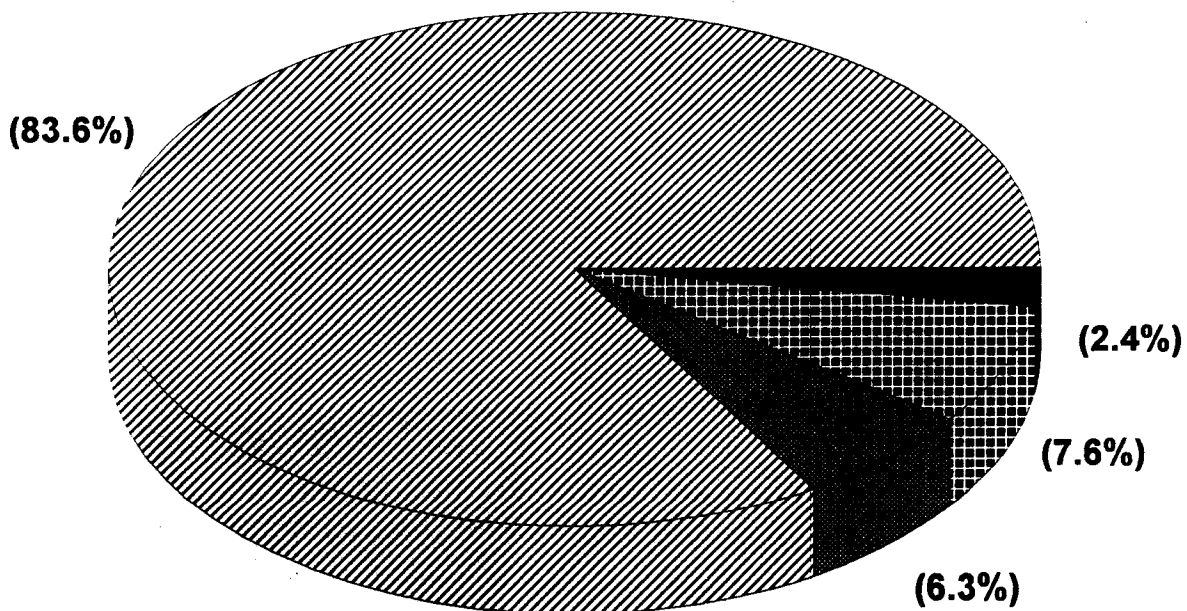
Period	Beef		Pork		Mutton of sheep		Mutton of Goat	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
1991	770	7,255	93	796	271	1,823	246	1,504
1992	837	8,217	175	1,003	313	2,074	224	1,679
1993	887	7,536	170	1,354	315	2,022	197	1,172
1994	1,231	7,960	217	1,852	367	2,381	187	1,134
1995 1st Quarter	213	2,372	61	695	143	850	18	110
2nd Quarter	147	1,732	41	342	160	948	8	53
3rd Quarter	162	1,716	35	337	110	639	52	327
4th Quarter	180	1,911	84	598	64	451	29	179
Total 1995	702	7,731	222	1,972	478	2,888	106	669

Source : Foreign Trade Report

1/ - Frozen and/or Chilled

Fig. VIII - 3

IMPORTS OF MEATS - 1995 QUANTITY (TONNES)



POULTRY ■ **MUTTON** ■ **BEEF** ■ **PORK**

Fig. VIII - 4

**IMPORTS OF MEATS - 1995
VALUE (\$'MILLIONS)**

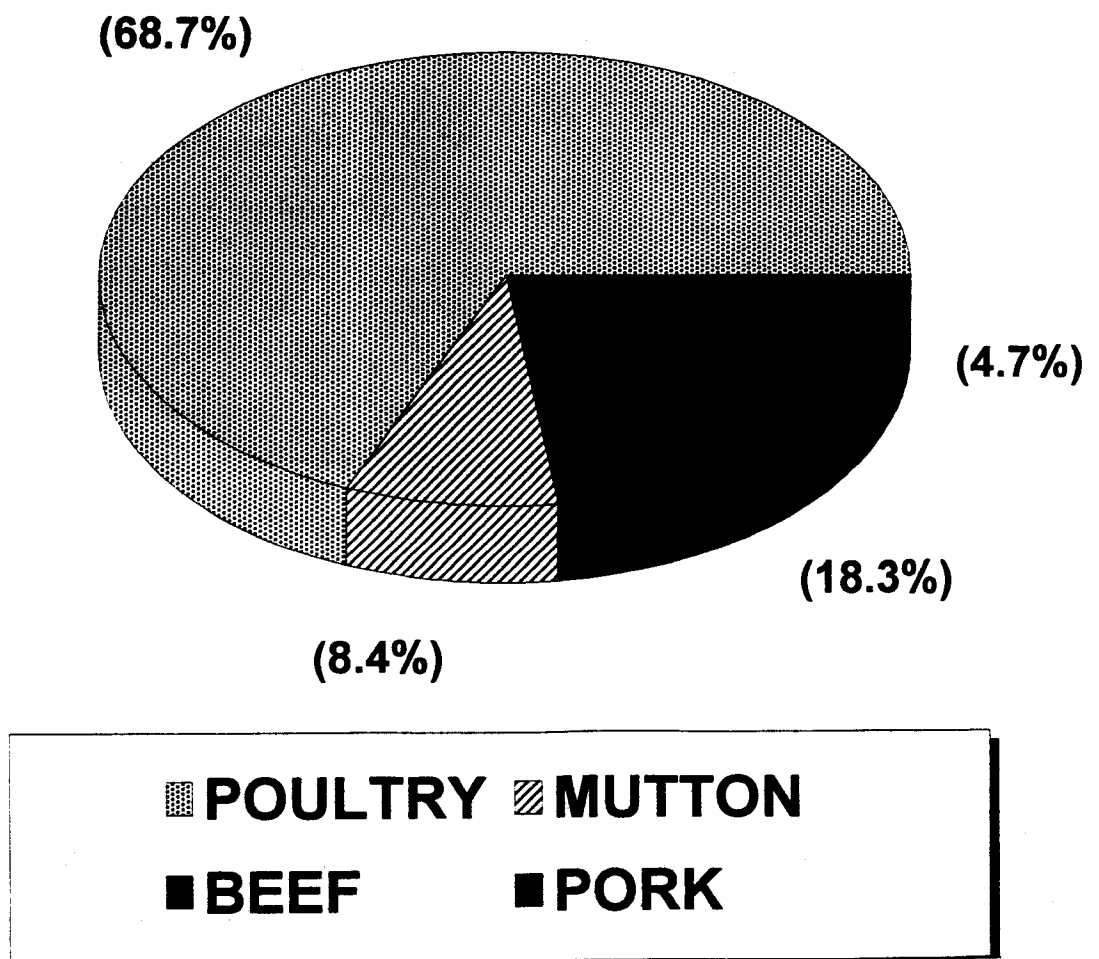


Table VIII - 7. Imports of Selected Livestock Products

Period	Milk		Cheese		Butter/Butterfat	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
1991	2,674	11,506	554	4,207	239	1,599
1992	2,899	13,750	555	4,800	334	2,020
1993	2,733	12,141	527	4,586	361	2,017
1994	3,486	12,712	607	5,833	347	1,781
1995 1st Quarter	671	3,388	157	1,524	77	508
2nd Quarter	870	3,928	128	1,169	64	496
3rd Quarter	749	3,844	162	1,369	38	321
4th Quarter	910	4,259	157	1,495	76	654
Total 1995	3,199	15,419	604	5,557	255	1,979

Source : Foreign Trade Report

TRADE IN OTHER AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

In 1995, food imports accounted for 23% of St. Lucia's total imports, valued at \$188.6 million, an increase of almost 9% over the previous year. Increases were recorded in all major food categories with meat and meat preparations continuing to be the major category with a total value of \$52 million, or 28% of total food imports. The other major food imports, cereal and cereal preparations and vegetables and fruit accounted for 20% and 14% of total food imports valued at \$36.7 million and \$26 million respectively.

Food exports in 1995 contributed 62% to total domestic exports, or \$155.9 million, an increase of 17% over 1994. This increase in food export could be attributed to the banana industry's recovery from the passing of Tropical Storm Debbie in 1994. In 1995 St. Lucia experienced a negative trade balance on food of almost \$33 million, an improvement of \$7.3 million over the previous review year. The second quarter of 1995 recorded a positive balance of trade on food of approximately \$7.6 million. This was attributed greatly to the large volume of fresh produce exported during that quarter.

Exports of selected major non traditional agricultural produce in 1995 (as can be seen in Table IX - 3) was 2,605 tonnes valued at \$3 million. Although the volume of these exports increased by 8% from the previous year, the revenue obtained declined by 7%. The second and fourth quarters recorded the largest quantity of selected agricultural produce exported for 1995.

Apart from banana (which has been the most important export crop on the island), breadfruit, mango and plantain have still remained dominant export crops. Breadfruit the second major export crop accounted for almost 30% of total non traditional produce exports. Export volumes of the aforementioned crop rose by 11 tonnes from 751 tonnes in 1994 to 762 tonnes in 1995, whilst the value declined by approximately \$0.1 million

In 1995, mango exports experienced a significant decline of both quantity and value of 48% and 42% respectively from the previous year.

The value of selected agricultural produce imported into St. Lucia (see table IX - 5 and 6) was \$15.4 million in 1995, an increase of \$0.9 million or 7% when compared to the previous year. The volume of these imports totaled 7,725 tonnes an increase of 802 tonnes from 1994 with 32% of

the volume of these imports recorded in the third quarter, a total of 2,524 tonnes valued at \$4.5 million.

Total vegetable (that is carrot, cabbage, lettuce, tomato and sweet pepper) imports in 1995 were 546 tonnes at a value of \$1.8 million. These figures represent declines of 23 tonnes and \$0.3 million with respect to volume and value from those obtained in 1994.

Table IX - 1. Trade Balance on Food

Period	EXPORTS '\$000			IMPORTS '\$000			Trade Balance on Food
	Domestic Export (1)	Food Export (2)	2 as a % of 1 (3)	Total Imports (4)	Food Imports (5)	5 as a % of 4 (6)	
1991	258,794	153,278	59	801,699	158,007	20	(4,729)
1992	310,888	199,527	64	827,289	160,539	19	38,988
1993	285,793	162,015	57	810,067	164,646	20	(2,631)
1994	225,078	133,186	59	816,748	173,166	21	(39,980)
1995 1st Quarter	60,654	39,468	65	202,824	47,234	23	(7,766)
2nd Quarter	77,935	47,284	61	170,595	39,661	23	7,623
3rd Quarter	55,360	32,086	58	234,512	52,307	22	(20,221)
4th Quarter	59,212	37,114	63	216,377	49,436	23	(12,322)
Total 1995	253,161	155,952	62	824,307	188,639	23	(32,687)

Source : Foreign Trade Report

Table IX - 2. Composition of Food Import

Item	1991		1992		1993		1994		1995	
	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%
Live Animals	185	..	138	..	283	..	286	..	213	...
Meat & Meat Preparations	45,093	27	45,703	26	47,382	25	51,162	27	52,073	28
Dairy Products & Eggs	18,715	11	21,396	12	19,335	10	21,399	11	23,027	12
Fish & Fish Preparation	8,873	5	9,677	6	8,843	5	10,721	6	11,719	6
Cereal & Cereal Preparation	32,283	20	30,090	17	31,906	17	32,221	17	36,747	20
Vegetables and Fruits	21,790	13	22,092	13	24,558	13	25,597	14	26,052	14
Sugar Preparation & Honey	10,269	6	8,985	5	8,294	4	8,590	5	11,921	6
Coffee, Tea, Cocoa & Spices	4,116	2	4,099	2	4,539	2	4,717	3	5,180	3
Feeding Stuff for Animals	3,167	2	3,600	2	3,610	2	3,450	2	4,255	2
Miscellaneous Food Preparation	13,623	8	14,691	8	15,896	8	14,758	8	16,528	9
Total	158,114	100	160,471	100	164,646	100	172,901	100	187,715	100

Source : Foreign Trade Report

Fig. IX -1

FOOD IMPORTS & EXPORTS

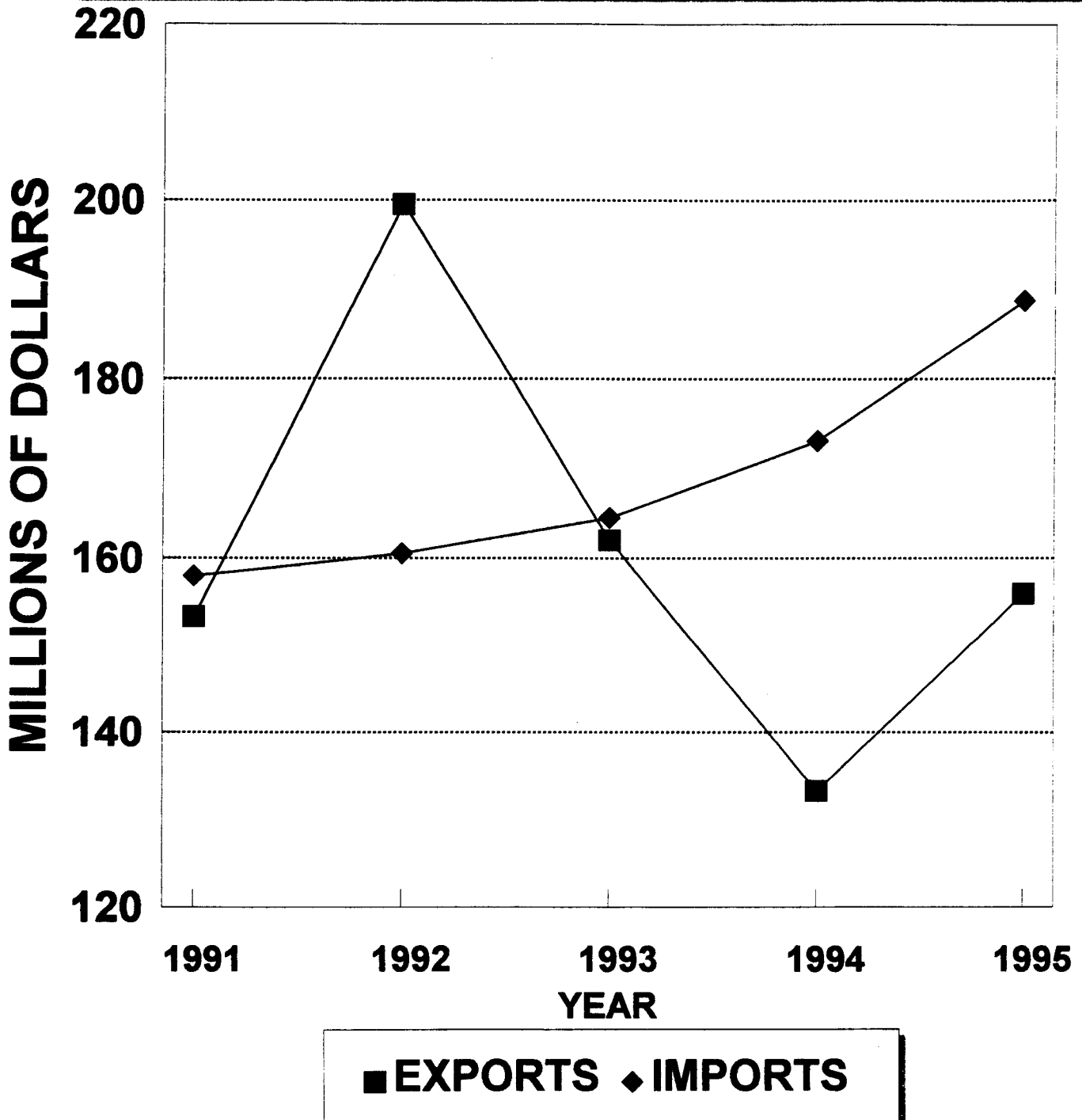


Table IX - 3. Exports of Selected Agricultural Produce 1995

Produce	1st Quarter		2nd Quarter		3rd Quarter		4th Quarter		Total 1995	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
Avocado	...	1	...	...	28	68	20	59	48	128
Grapefruit	9	26	5	12	...	...	9	22	23	60
Mango	29	46	212	398	122	165	16	17	379	626
Pineapple	4	11	15	45	18	51	21	63	58	170
Sweet Orange	1	1					2	7	3	8
Breadfruit	178	227	198	246	189	238	197	278	762	989
Plantain	5	7	15	17	11	14	54	93	85	131
Aroids 1/			...	1	...	1	4	13	4	15
Sweet Potato							5	18	5	18
Yam							2	10	2	10
Pumpkin							2	5	2	5
Sub Total 2/	226	319	445	719	368	537	332	585	1,371	2,160
Banana 3/	195	148	329	256	288	223	422	303	1,234	930
Total	421	467	774	975	656	760	754	888	2,605	3,090

Source : Foreign Trade Report

- 1 - Aroids here are dasheen, tannia and eddoes.
- 2 - Total amount of selected non-traditional crops exported.
- 3 - Exports to other territories excluding the United Kingdom

Table IX - 4. Comparison of Exports of Selected Agricultural Produce 1991-1995

Produce	1991		1992		1993		1994		1995	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
Avocado	14	19	40	47	52	104	49	111	48	128
Grapefruit	27	36	28	68	20	51	21	19	23	60
Mango	657	579	741	760	513	554	735	1,072	379	626
Pineapple	25	45	149	222	185	457	158	433	58	170
Sweet Orange	17	32	18	52	1	2	1	2	3	8
Breadfruit	982	1,024	895	893	889	900	751	1,083	762	989
Plantain	189	244	235	314	135	184	38	50	85	131
Aroids 1/	1	1	...	...	5	11	4	11	4	15
Sweet Potato	39	55	1	...	2	5	1	2	5	18
Yam	1	2	...	1	...	1	...	2	2	10
Pumpkin	2	3	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	5
Sub Total 2/	1,954	2,040	2,107	2,358	1,802	2,269	1,758	2,786	1,371	2,160
Banana 3/	12,261	18,750	15,700	20,378	2,331	2,713	655	547	1,234	930
Total	14,215	20,790	17,807	22,736	4,133	4,982	2,413	3,333	2,605	3,090

Source : Foreign Trade Report

1 - Aroids here are dasheen, tannia and eddoes.

2 - Total amount of non-traditional crops exported.

3 - Exports to other territories excluding the United Kingdom

Table IX -5. Imports of Selected Agricultural Produce by Quantity and Value - 1995

Produce	1st Quarter		2nd Quarter		3rd Quarter		4th Quarter		Total 1995	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
Rice	784	1,454	472	1,030	1,298	2,056	535	1,095	3,089	5,635
Irish Potato	357	922	303	630	379	693	884	486	1,924	2,731
Carrot	70	181	47	165	78	243	61	135	255	724
Cabbage	23	48	18	35	34	65	43	93	118	242
Lettuce	20	53	8	45	10	44	18	73	56	214
Tomato	13	72	11	48	25	102	50	285	99	507
Sweet Pepper	4	20	2	11	3	25	10	62	18	118
Garlic	29	172	32	203	33	219	38	248	131	841
Onion	212	384	190	413	218	383	245	339	866	1,520
Black Eye Peas	9	31	9	35	43	111	8	25	69	201
Pigeon Peas	2	6	3	8	4	12	2	14	11	41
Red Kidney Beans	23	60	15	47	41	119	30	83	109	309
Other Legumes	100	247	150	342	338	337	155	362	743	1,288
Apples	67	172	70	181	15	94	36	186	189	633
Grapes	14	119	15	94	6	89	12	120	48	422
Total 1995	1,727	3,942	1,346	3,288	2,524	4,591	2,129	3,606	7,726	15,426

Source : Foreign Trade Report

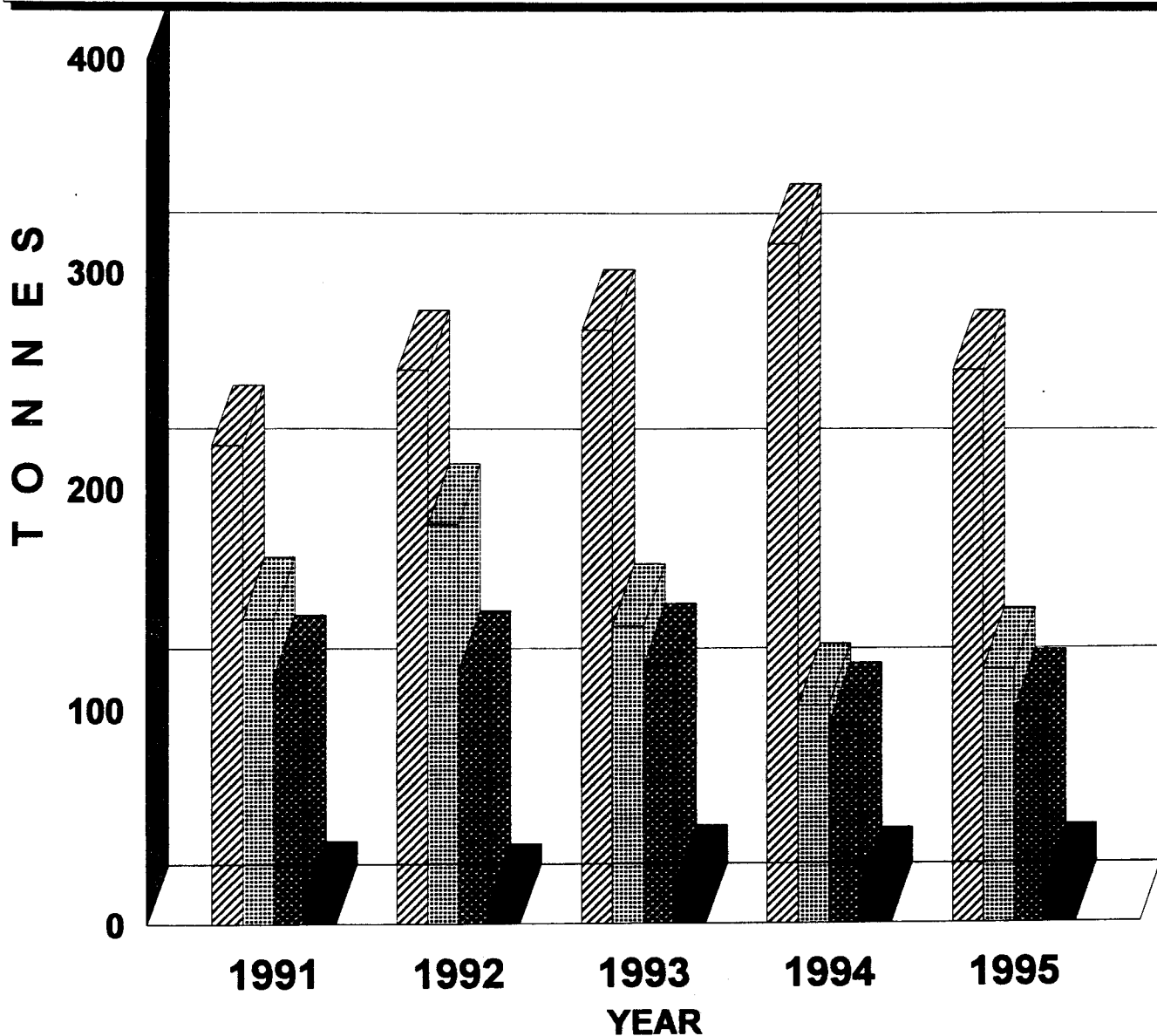
Table IX - 6. Comparison of Imports of Selected Agricultural Produce by Quantity and Value (1991 - 1995)

Produce	1991		1992		1993		1994		1995	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
Rice	2,186	3,770	2,812	4,573	2,036	4,309	2,740	4,995	3,089	5,635
Irish Potato	967	1,320	1,306	1,858	1,337	1,662	1,396	2,090	1,924	2,731
Carrot	220	585	255	637	274	709	314	538	255	724
Cabbage	141	295	184	325	138	249	102	204	118	242
Lettuce	32	82	35	83	31	103	41	160	56	214
Tomato	115	495	117	485	120	607	93	432	99	507
Sweet Pepper	11	46	10	55	18	83	17	120	18	118
Garlic	99	594	128	625	109	661	123	1,039	131	841
Onion	794	1,182	788	1,132	830	1,154	843	1,390	866	1,520
Black Eye Peas	76	219	79	198	83	231	65	222	69	201
Pigeon Peas	12	59	6	22	9	39	25	97	11	41
Red Kidney Beans	212	514	163	421	167	521	181	480	109	309
Other Legumes	556	1,427	515	1,186	618	1,422	638	1,491	743	1,288
Apples	166	454	189	625	281	716	286	754	189	633
Grapes	67	404	78	453	96	527	59	455	48	422
Pineapple	21	69	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	5,675	11,515	6,665	12,678	6,147	12,993	6,923	14,467	7,725	15,426

Source : Foreign Trade Report

Fig. IX - 2

IMPORTS OF SELECTED VEGETABLE



▨ CARROT	▩ CABBAGE
■ TOMATO	■ SWEET PEPPER

THE FISHING INDUSTRY

Data from the Fisheries Management Unit (FMU) for 1995 indicates that a total of 983 tonnes of fish were landed at the various landing sites around the island. This amount was 100 tonnes more than what was landed in 1994 (See Table X-1).

The volume of fish caught in Canaries increased by 350%, the maximum recorded for any site. Castries recorded the minimum of 4.8%. However, Vieux - Fort and Anse La Raye recorded decreases of 40% and 9% respectively. The landing site at Dennery recorded the largest amount of fish, 24% of the total landed for the island. Although the landing site at Vieux Fort has been the dominant landing site for the period 1991 to 1994, this site continues to experience steady declines in the amount of fish landed from 1991.

Of the four main categories of fish caught, Tuna landings have increased throughout the period although the amounts for 1994 and 1995 were the same. In 1995, the number of Dolphin fish landed recorded an increase of 41% over 1994. King Fish has shown the most significant declines from 1991. However, 1995 saw a major improvement from the low in 1994. The amount landed for 1995 increased by 233% over 1994. The amount of Flying fish landed for the period increased by 6% over the previous period.

The volume of fish imports in 1995 fell by 14 tonnes in comparison to 1994. Conversely the total value of fish imports increased by approximately \$0.8 million or 9% over the corresponding period. Imports of Fresh & Chilled fish almost doubled from 36 tonnes in 1994 to 63 tonnes in 1995 and the value of Fresh & Chilled fish imports increased by 120%, from \$0.4 million in 1994 to \$ 0.9 million in 1995.

Table X-4 reveals that there were no fish exports for 1995. This resulted from the fact that fish production is geared towards self sufficiency. And as such, fish exports will continue to be negligible over the coming years if the demands of the local market is to be satisfied.

**Table X - 1. Estimated Summary of Fish Landed
by Landing Site and Quantity**

Landing Sites	TONNES				
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Gros Islet	46	57	69	43	54
Castries	95	139	54	63	66
Anse la Raye	-	-	46	22	20
Canaries	-	-	46	18	81
Soufriere	188	132	176	124	136
Choiseul	57	48	89	108	125
Laborie	22	27	54	32	42
Vieux - Fort 1/	337	319	280	257	154
Micoud	24	15	54	48	60
Praslin	54	67	29		
Dennerly	218	155	217	168	245
Total	1,039	959	1,114	883	983

Source : Fisheries Management Unit, M.O.A

1/ - Note that the data for the Landing Site Vieux Fort includes data from the Landing Site at Savannes Bay

Table X - 2. Summary of Fish Landed by Type and Quantity

Year	Type of Fish (Tonnes)						Total
	Tuna	Dolphin	King Fish	Flying Fish	Shark/Black Fish	Others	
1991	226	257	79	47	-	430	1,039
1992 1/	223	239	150	32	4	311	959
1993	321	207	141	89	8	348	1,114
1994	300	142	6	47	6	382	883
1995	300	200	20	50	6	407	983

Source: Fisheries Management Unit - Ministry of Agriculture

1/ - Means that data for Shark/Blackfish and Lobster are included in the other column.

Table X - 3. Imports of Fish by Type, Quantity and Value

Period	Total		Fresh & Chilled		Canned		Other	
	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000	Tonnes	\$'000
1991	897	7,324	145	972	454	2,708	298	3,644
1992	848	8,165	73	878	518	3,998	257	3,289
1993	831	7,039	34	501	430	3,198	367	3,340
1994	876	8,126	36	452	512	4,088	328	3,586
1995 1st Quarter	238	2,567	24	349	152	1,464	62	753
2nd Quarter	149	1,306	7	120	69	443	72	742
3rd Quarter	211	2,196	13	241	120	1,001	78	954
4th Quarter	265	2,839	19	283	174	1,386	72	1,170
Total 1995	862	8,907	63	993	515	4,295	285	3,619

Source: Foreign Trade Report

Table X - 4. Fish Exports

Period	Quantity Tonnes	Value \$'000
1991	14	124
1992	2	48
1993	2	14
1994	1	4
1995 1st Quarter	-	-
2nd Quarter	-	-
3rd Quarter	-	-
4th Quarter	-	-
Total 1995	-	-

Source : Foreign Trade Report

Fig. X - 1

FISH PRODUCTION, EXPORT & IMPORT

