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## **Latin America & Caribbean Exports & Imports, First Three Quarters Of 1990 & 1991 Compared**

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According to the International Monetary Fund's monthly bulletin released March 11, import spending for the first three quarters of 1991 totaled US\$31.46 billion, US\$34.31 billion, and US\$37.38 billion, respectively. Aggregate export income over the same three quarters came to US\$37.58 billion, US\$39.27 billion, and US\$39.88 billion. The two totals are US\$103.15 billion and US\$116.48 billion, respectively, for a trade surplus of US\$13.58 billion. The region's trade surplus over the first three quarters of 1990 totaled US\$21.33 billion, result of US\$113.48 billion worth of exports, and US\$92.07 billion in import spending. Exports for September and October 1991 totaled US\$13.22 billion and US\$14.49 billion, respectively. Imports came to US\$13 billion in September, and US\$14.49 billion in October. In 1990, the region's export revenue totaled US\$156.69 billion, and import spending, US\$128.43 billion, for US\$28.26 billion trade surplus. (Basic data from Spanish news service EFE, 03/11/92)

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