



**CANADA'S 1995 TRADE  
WITH UKRAINE BY  
PROVINCE**  
*(in thousands of dollars)*

	Imports	Exports
Newfoundland	*	*
P.E.I.	*	*
Nova Scotia	491	62
New Brunswick	84	19
Quebec	11,799	29,463
Ontario	4,021	13,357
Manitoba	45	309
Saskatchewan	31	1,261
Alberta	103	1,123
British Columbia	661	692
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17,238</b>	<b>46,290</b>

Source: Statistics Canada; \* - info. not available.

development initiatives, valued at over \$2 million, between the Canadian private sector and Ukrainian partners.

As well, under humanitarian assistance, Canada has committed \$13 million for the provision of medicines and vaccines. Through the Canadian Program of Cooperation, we are strengthening the links between our countries by supporting democratic development. This program, which was announced at the G-7 Economic Summit in London in 1991, emphasizes practical training, human resource development, institution building and providing policy advice in sectors critical to reform such as health, energy and the environment. This year, the program has a budget of approximately \$20 million. Overall, Canada has committed nearly \$95 million to some 100 technical assistance projects in Ukraine.

In conjunction with the Ukraine Enterprise Corporation, we are providing a pool of money to support newly privatized enterprises and foreign joint ventures.

And, of course, Canada extends the benefit of the General Preferential Tariff to

Ukraine. Canada has also gone on record as supporting the principle of Ukraine's accession to membership in the WTO, with all of the benefits and obligations that implies. Another significant step to cementing relations between Ukraine and Canada was taken in March when a tax convention was signed, addressing the issues of double taxation.

With all of these programs and all of these initiatives, Canada is demonstrating its commitment to help Ukraine make the transition to a market-based economy. Continued progress on this front will be essential in order to maintain the confidence of Canadian companies that may be considering expansion into Ukraine. We view it as essential, therefore, that Ukraine continues to cooperate with the IMF [International Monetary Fund] program on economic reform. Much has already been achieved in a relatively short time and this is creating a climate which is more and more attractive to business.

We welcome the strides already taken

and encourage Ukraine to continue with its efforts on structural reform, privatization and reform of the agricultural sector. We applaud Ukrainian efforts to reduce the deficit - from 21 per cent of GDP in 1994 to about 6 per cent in 1995.

All of these are steps in the right direction and must be continued.

The ties between Ukraine and Canada are strong, but we want to make them stronger. Our past is woven together like the embroidery for which Ukraine is so famous, and our future will be secured by the same strong fibres of friendship. It is fitting indeed that Canada now stands in a position to offer the type of assistance Ukraine most needs, for it was Ukrainians who brought the skills of perseverance and courage when Canada needed them most.

In order to build upon this relationship even further, I accept with pride your invitation to accompany you on a trade mission to Ukraine, and look forward to working with you to build a better, a stronger and a more prosperous Ukraine.

**SOME UKRAINIAN WWW LINKS**

A popular Ukrainian INTERNET site on the hot list are Canada's Ukraine WWW Home Page (Oleh Baran), at URL:

<http://www.physics.mcgill.ca/www/oleh/ukr-info.html>

which points to many Ukraine sources: Ukrainian Map Server (Gerry Kokodyniak & Andrew Melnyk); in the US: Infomeister Ukraine WWW Page (Eng/Ukr), and Ukraine FAQ.

A University of Toronto site lists connections to most Ukrainian sites. Its URL location:

<http://me.me.utoronto.ca/grad/kokody2/Ukraine3/ukraine3.html>

Pointers are set to locations in many countries, including Canada (121 links!!!), U.S. (369 links), Australia (7 links), Israel (9 links), Austria (51 links), France (8 links), Germany (2 links), Italy (5 links), Latvia (10 links), Netherlands (2 links), Poland (1 link), Russia (6 links), U.K. (10 links) and, of course, Ukraine (331 links).

A number of Ukrainian INTERNET News Groups are available on Ukraine and Ukrainian topics, including: *alt.current-events.ukraine* and *soc.culture.ukrainian*. The last group's e-mail address is:

[ukes-social@soma.crl.mcmaster.ca](mailto:ukes-social@soma.crl.mcmaster.ca).

The Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Federation has its Home Page, at:

<http://soma.crl.mcmaster.ca/~kostiuk/ucpbf.html>

Many browsers can be used to search for subjects by keyword, which can yield different results, depending on access criteria and search options. Among the popular ones:

Alta Vista, at URL: <http://altavista.digital.com/>

Yahoo, at: <http://www.yahoo.ca/>

**CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WEB PAGE**

The Government of Canada Home Page, which provides information about Canada, in English and French, a government overview and details of federal programs, as well as other governments, can be accessed at:

<http://canada.gc.ca/>

The Home Page of Prime Minister Jean Chrétien lists news releases and speeches, fact sheets, and other news, at:

<http://canada.gc.ca/english/pmo/index.htm>

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