

# VEHICLE IMPORTS 1997 –2003, INFORMATION THAT YOU NEED TO KNOW! FROM THE STATISTICS DEPARTMENT

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#### What are Motor Vehicle?

A motor vehicle is a self-propelled unit designed to transport property separately from itself or persons other than the driver upon public roads.

#### What are imports?

Goods or services brought into a country from another country.

The vehicle imported most into Anguilla between 1997—2003 were cars, as shown in the table below which shows the number of vehicles imported through Anguilla Seaport annually for the years 1997—2003. The year 1999 saw the largest volume of vehicle imports, 878, a 44.6% increase over 1998.

In 2000 there was a slight decline of 8.9% over 1999, in the importation of vehicles. Total vehicle imports began its decline in 1999 and continued that way until 2003 when there was a change in the direction to an increase.

Vehicle Imports to Anguilla in 2003 showed an increase of 25.9 percent over its 2002 total importation. Total number of vehicles imported in 2003 was 651 and in 2002 517.

In 2003 trucks, pick-up and heavy equipment saw the greatest increase in the importation volumes of 275%, 94% and 89% respectively over 2002. This increase in the importation of trucks could have been attributed to the demand in the construction sector on the island as well as some trucks required for the roads and airport projects, Some of these trucks were then re-exported.

The other categories bus/van, motor cycle and cars indicated increases of 53%, 25% and 21% respectively. Over this same period there was a decline in the importation of jeeps by 6%.

In 1998 cars and trucks saw the greatest increase in the importation volumes of 21% over 1997. Over this same period there were declines in all the other categories of vehicles with heavy equipment<sup>1</sup> leading the way with 69% followed by pick-ups, motorcycles and jeeps by 38%, 15% and 5% respectively. There was no change in the volume of imports of bus/van.

### What are the Procedures for Importing a Motor Vehicle? It's very easy!

#### Insurance Company

Prior to removing the vehicle from Road Bay Customs to the Customs pound in the Valley, one has to pay for the car insurance.

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Next, one has to obtain a "transfer slip" from the Traffic Department at the Police Station (permission to drive the vehicle to Customs Department pound).

#### Customs Department

Complete a customs entry form for the vehicle.

#### Custom fees to you include:

- 25% duties on the value of the vehicle.
- 1 % Customs Service charge (CSC).
- Pier dues of 25 cents per cubic foot of the vehicle.
- If the vehicle is left in the pound for more than 7 days you incur warehouse rental ranging between EC\$10.00 to EC \$ 20.00 per day. (*The above rates are based on the tonnage of the vehicle.*)

#### Public Works

- Have a registration examination of the vehicle at Public Works:
- This cost is EC\$ 120.00 which includes filling out a registration form in which you would included chassis no., manufacturer and model.
- You will need a copy of:

The customs entry form to confirm payment of duties and

Your insurance certificate.

- Inspection fee of EC\$ 45.00
- The vehicle book is free but when it expires or is lost you will have to pay EC\$ 30.00 to purchase a new book.

#### Inland Revenue Department

• All monies transactions for the licensing of the vehicle are paid at the Inland Revenue Department.

Number of vehicles imported annually: 1997- 2003								
Year	CARS	JEEP	BUS/VAN	PICK-UP	TRUCK	HEAVY EQUIPMENT	MOTORCYCLE	TOTAL
1997	369	65	24	66	14	16	13	567
1998	447	62	24	41	17	5	11	607
1999	492	204	32	70	32	15	33	878
2000	400	215	36	71	47	9	22	800
2001	277	125	20	50	24	2	59	557
2002	322	109	15	18	12	9	32	517
2003	389	102	23	35	45	17	40	651