

	1976	1977 <sup>r</sup>	1978 <sup>p</sup>	1977 <sup>r</sup>				1978 <sup>p</sup>				1979 <sup>p</sup>	
				I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II
1. <u>GNP NET EXPORTS</u> - Intl Acct. data	7.8	-10.6	-13.5	-9.3	-5.5	-5.7	-21.7	-20.8	-15.1	-9.5	-8.7	-7.2	-7.4
2. (GNP net exports - GNP Acct. data) <u>1/</u>	(7.8)	(-10.9)	(-15.3)	(-8.2)	(-9.7)	(-7.5)	(-18.2)	(-22.6*)	(-16.9)	(-11.4)	(-10.5)	(-9.0)	(-9.2)
3. a) Merchandise Trade Balance	-9.3	-31.5	-39.1	-30.0	-27.3	-29.1	-39.6	-44.8*	-40.3	-35.7	-35.6	-35.6	-36.2
4. Exports (excl. military)	114.7	120.5	133.6	117.9	122.4	123.9	117.7	122.3*	130.7	137.8	143.5	150.1	156.0
5. Agricultural	23.4	24.4	26.3	24.9	26.1	23.8	22.6	26.0*	26.4	26.4	26.4	27.0	27.0
6. Nonagricultural	91.3	96.1	107.3	93.0	96.3	100.1	95.1	96.4*	104.3	111.4	117.1	123.1	129.0
7. Imports	124.0	152.0	172.7	147.9	149.7	153.0	157.3	167.1*	171.0	173.5	179.1	185.7	192.2
8. Petroleum and petrol. products	34.6	45.0	44.4	46.3	46.1	45.2	42.2	39.9*	43.0	45.5	49.1	50.7	52.2
9. Nonpetroleum	89.4	107.0	128.3	101.6	103.6	107.8	115.1	127.3*	128.0	128.0	130.0	135.0	140.0
10. b) Military transactions, net <u>2/</u>	--	1.0	2.6	1.7	.8	1.8	-.2	2.1	2.4	2.8	3.1	3.5	3.6
11. c) Investment income, net <u>3/</u>	14.3	17.4	20.3	17.6	18.9	18.2	15.2	19.3	20.1	20.7	20.9	22.1	22.2
12. d) Other services, net <u>4/</u>	2.7	2.5	2.7	1.4	2.2	3.3	2.9	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.9
13. <u>U.S. CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE</u>	-1.4	-20.5	-28.5	-18.6	-15.0	-16.1	-32.2	-34.9	-29.7	-24.5	-24.9	-24.5	-25.3
14. a) GNP net exports (line 1.)	7.8	-10.6	-13.5	-9.3	-5.5	-5.7	-21.7	-20.8	-15.1	-9.5	-8.7	-7.2	-7.4
15. b) U.S. Govt & private transfers <u>5/</u>	-9.2	-9.9	-15.0	-9.2	-9.5	-10.5	-10.5	-14.1	-14.6	-15.0	-16.2	-17.3	-17.9
<u>Constant (1972) dollars</u>													
16. Merchandise exports (excl. military)	66.7	66.9	69.0	66.2	67.7	68.9	65.2	65.5	68.3	70.6	72.2	73.9	75.5
17. (% change, annual rates)	(3.4)	(0.3)	(3.4)	(-7.0)	(9.1)	(7.4)	(-24.8)	(2.8)	(18.3)	(13.9)	(9.5)	(9.5)	(9.1)
18. Merchandise imports	62.8	71.2	74.7	71.0	70.2	70.8	72.7	74.3	74.7	74.4	75.2	76.1	77.6
19. (% change, annual rates)	(22.5)	(13.4)	(4.8)	(33.5)	(-4.5)	(3.7)	(10.8)	(9.1)	(2.0)	(-1.6)	(4.5)	(4.9)	(8.2)
<u>Foreign Outlook - Major Industrial Countries <u>6/</u></u>													
20. Real GNP, % change, annual rates	5.2	2.9	3.7	5.3	.4	0.8	3.7	4.9	4.5	4.1	4.1	4.5	4.1
21. Wholesale Prices, % change, A.R. <u>7/</u>	9.4	8.7	4.8	10.4	7.4	3.7	2.8	4.5	6.1	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7

1/ Differs from Intl. Acct. data (line 1) in the inclusion of revisions and new data.

2/ Excludes grants to Israel under military assistance acts and exports financed by those grants.

3/ Excludes U.S. Govt. interest payments to foreigners, which are included in line 15.

4/ Includes travel, transportation, fees and royalties, and miscellaneous other service transactions.

5/ Includes U.S. Govt. grants, U.S. Govt. interest payments to foreigners, remittances and pensions, and exports to Israel financed by U.S. military assistance grants.

6/ Weighted by the shares of Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the United Kingdom in the sum of the real GNP of the six countries in dollar terms.

7/ Data are largely manufactured goods prices.

p/ Projected

e/ Estimated

\* Published data.

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