

Cuban Exports

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On February 26, 1982 Cuba issued a set of 10 stamps commemorating the importance of their exports. Representing exports from raw materials such as sugar, nickel and lobster to highly finished goods such as farm machinery and cigars. This blog will look briefly at Cuban and Cuban exports to Canada.



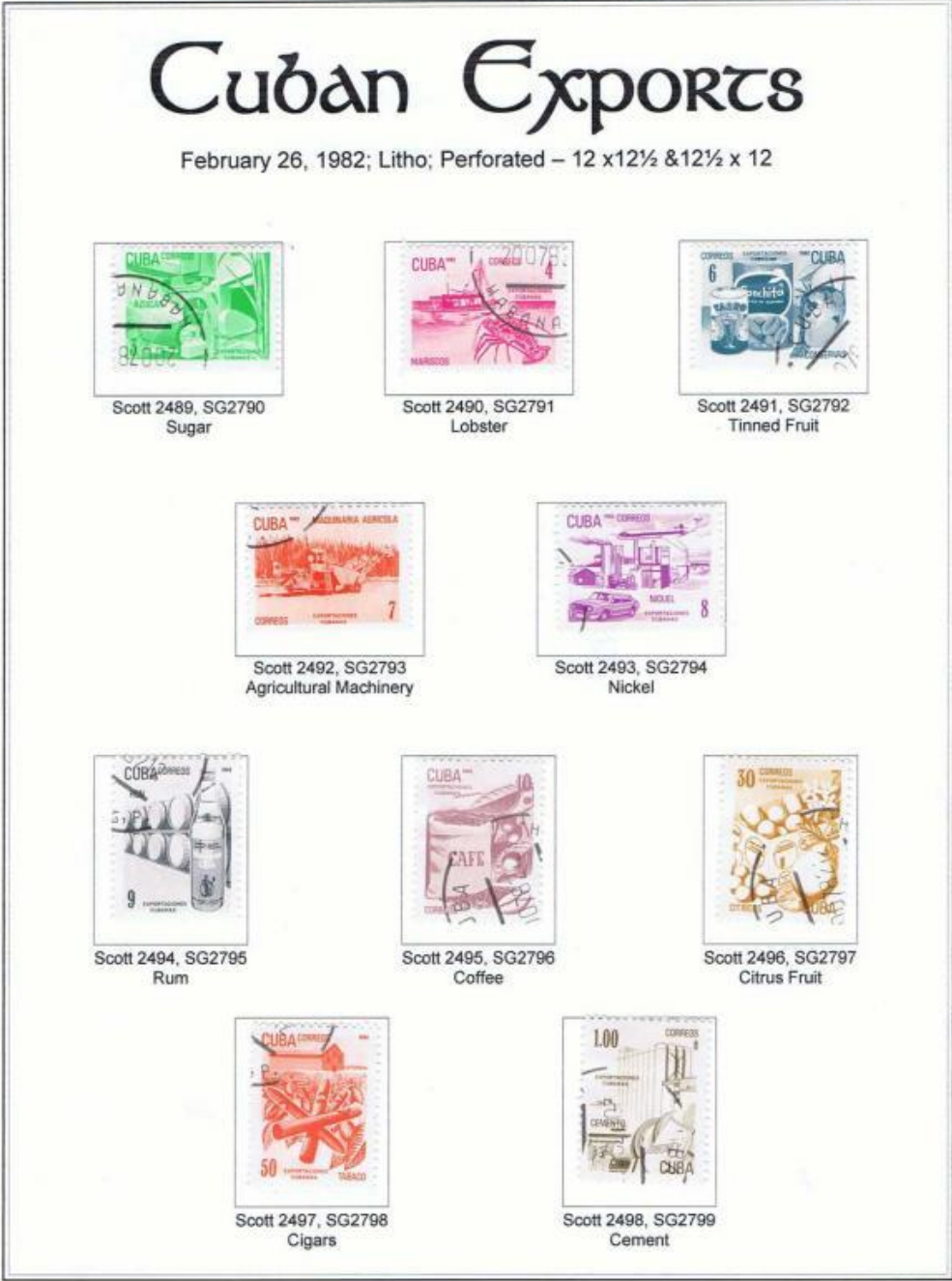
In 2009 Cuba exported \$3.253 US, this was lower than estimated. The major exports were sugar, nickel, tobacco, fish and seafood, medical products, citrus fruits and coffee. At one point Cuban exports of honey and sugar accounted for 5.7% of the worlds trade in these commodities. Since 2005 the export of Doctors and Nurses to Venezuela has been a major source of income for the island.

The island nation's second largest trading partner is Canada. In 2010 the top 10 imports from Cuba to Canada were: Copper, Rum and other spirits, Cigars, cheroots and cigarillos, Aluminum, Lobster, Medicines, Silver, Shrimps, Coffee and Molluscs



In 2009 the top 5 agri-food (agriculture and food) imports from Cuba into Canada were Cigars (\$3.278 million CAD), Rum (\$2.425 million CAD), Roasted Coffee (\$0.289 million CAD), Non-Roasted Coffee (\$0.224 million CAD), and Essential oils of orange (\$0.088 million CAD).

Cuba is the Canada's fifth largest trading partner in the Caribbean region. Although recent years has seen trade falling between the two countries.



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