Table 9: Import and Export by Major Countries and Regions, 2004

<u> </u>	Export (100 million USD)	Increase over 2003 (%)	Import (100 million USD)	Increase over 2003 (%)
United States	4.75	60.3	1.78	74.5
Hong Kong	5.36	41.0	0.20	59.2
SAR	5.18	42.4	4.35	-1.4
European	3.22	48.8	4.64	28.7
Union	2.53	42.4	0.77	30.0
Japan	1.69	59.2	2.95	6.0
ASEAN	0.38	-11.8	0.25	183.6
Republic of	0.98	46.5	0.46	37.6
Korea				1
Russia				
China Taiwan				

The achivements in utilization of foreign capitals was remarkable. During the year, the contracted foreign capitals reached 2.83 billion US dollars, the actually utilized foreign capitals reached 1.64 billion US dollars, of which, there was 636 foreign direct invested enterprises newly approved, up by 25.0 percent. The contracted foreign capitals through foreign direct investment stood at 2.61 billion US dollars, up by 94.7 percent, and the foreign capitals actually utilized were 1.42 billion US dollars, up 39.3 percent. The actually utilized capitals out of the province and inside China was 51.05 billion yuan, increased 52.2 percent.

Rapid growth was made in foreign economic and technical cooperation. In 2004, the value involved in the new contracts signed through contracted projects, labor contracts and design and consultancy servinces reached 614 million US dollars, up by 57.1 percent; the accomplished business revenue was 462 million US dollars, up 19.8 percent; the labour service population dispatched out of the country reached 6503, had an increase of 29.4 percent.

Tourism maintained steadily growth. The year 2004 saw 64.86 million domestic tourists and tourists from overseas. The total income of tourism reached 37.16 billion yuan, up by 26.4 percent. In 2004, a total of 0.55 million visitors came to Hunan for tourist, foreign exchange earnings from international tourism topped 0.313 billion US dollars.

VII. Transportation, Post and Telecommunications

The transportation developed steadily. In 2004, the total volume of cargo transported by various means was 156.60 billion ton-kilometers, up by 17.1 percent over the previous year, the volume of passenger transportation was 98.25 billion person-kilometers, an increase of 20.2 percent, the total conversion of the passenger-kilometers and freight ton-kilometers were 212.35 billion ton-kilometers, up by 18.3 percent.