United States (percentage of GNP) Year CA s* G-T 1981 0.3 19.1 18.2 1.0 1982 -01 194 15.8 3.4 1983 15.9 1984 -2.5 195 2.9 3.1 3.4 2.5 2.0 1.5 2.5 -2.9 181 176 1986 16.8 1987 16.5 1988 -- 2 4 16.3 16.2 1989 15.6 15.8 1990 1991 3.2 4.3 0.1 163 13.0 1992 -0.9 16.3 13.1 1993 13.9 1994 - 2.1 15.7 15.4 2.0

Source: Economic Report of the President, February 1995, and U.S. Department of Commerce Survey of Current Business, April 1995.

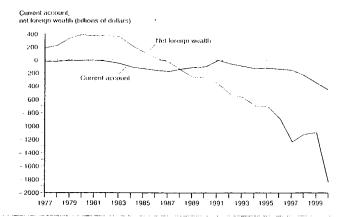
	European Union (percentage of GNP)				
Year	CA	S'	1	- (G-T)	
1995	0.6	25.9	19.9	5.4	
1996	1.0	24.6	19.3	-4.3	
1997	1.5	23.4	19.4	-2.5	
1998	1.0	22.6	20.0	-1.6	
1999	0.2	21.8	20.8	-0.8	

Source: Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, OECD Economic Outlank 68 (December 2000), Annex Tables 27, 30, and 52 (with investment calculated as the residual).

	Credits	Debits
Current Account		
I) Exports	+1,414.9	
Of which:	.,	
Merchandise	+773.3	
Services	+296.2	
Income receipts	+345.4	
(2) Imports		-1,797.1
Of which:		
Merchandise		-1,222.8
Services		~215.2
Income payments		-359.1
3) Net unilateral current transfers		-53.2
Balance on current account		-435.4
$\{(1) + (2) + (3)\}$		
Capital Account		
(4)	+0.7	
Financial Account		
(5) U.S. assets held abroad		-553.3
(increase -)		
Of which:		
Official reserve assets		-0.3
Other assets		-553.0
(6) Foreign assets held in U.S.	+952.4	
(increase +)		
Of which:		
Official reserve assets	+35.9	
Other assets	+916.5	
Balance on financial account	+399.1	
[(5) + (6)]		
Statistical discrepancy	+35.6	
[sum of (1) through (6) with sign reversed]		

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Survey of Current Business, April 2001. Totals may differ from sums because of rounding.

The Schrient Account and Net Foreign Wealth Position, 1977-2000



A string of current account deficits in the 1980s reduced America's net foreign wealth until, by the decade's end, the country had accumulated a substantial net foreign debt.

Source: U.S. Government Printing Office, Economic Indicators, March 1998, April 2001.

U.S. Balance of Payments Accounts for 1997 (billions of dollars)

(Olmons of Column)	(Dimons of Column)				
	Credits	Deblis			
Current Account					
(1) Exports	+1,167.6				
Of which:					
Merchandise	+678.3				
Investment income received	+236.0				
Other services	+253.2				
(2) Imports		-1.295.5			
Of which:					
Merchandise		-877.3			
Investment income paid		-250.3			
Other services		-167.9			
(3) Net unilateral transfers		-38.5			
Balance on current account		-166.4			
[(1) + (2) + (3)]					
Capital Account					
(4) U.S. assets held abroad		-426.9			
(increase)					
Of which:	•				
Official reserve assets		-1.0			
Other assets		-425.9			
(5) Foreign assets held in U.S.	+690.5				
(increase +)					
Of which:					
Official reserve assets	+18.2				
Other assets	+672.3				
Balance on capital account	+263.6				
$\{(4) + (5)\}$					
Statistical discrepancy		-97.1			
[sum of (1) through (5) with sign reversed]					

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Survey of Current Business, April 1998. Totals may differ from sums