

## About BEA's International Trade and Investment Country Facts

The International Trade and Investment Country Facts application provides information on U.S. trade in goods and services, direct investment, and the activities of multinational enterprises for individual countries and country groupings. Users select a country from an interactive world map or a searchable menu. The application generates a country factsheet with graphs and tables showing the latest data on U.S. trade and investment with that country. The factsheet can be downloaded or printed in PDF format. The application also generates data tables containing more detailed statistics that can be downloaded in Excel format. For a list of countries for which data are available, see [data availability](#).

- **Trade in goods:** Includes all tangible commodities, which may be in the form of raw materials, intermediate products, or final products, that are sold, exchanged, donated, or otherwise transferred from U.S. residents to residents of other countries and vice versa. Major statistical categories include foods, feeds, and beverages; industrial supplies and materials; capital goods except automotive; automotive vehicles, parts, and engines; consumer goods except food; other general merchandise; net exports of goods under merchanting; and nonmonetary gold.

*Primary data sources: U.S. Census Bureau administrative data, U.S.-Canadian data exchange, BEA survey data, U.S. Department of Defense reporting*

- **Trade in services:** Includes all sales and transfers of services by U.S. residents to residents of other countries and vice versa. Major statistical categories include maintenance and repair services; transport services, travel services; insurance services; financial services; charges for the use of intellectual property; telecommunications, computer, and information services; other business services; and government goods and services.

*Primary data sources: BEA survey data, International Trade Administration survey data, U.S. Department of Homeland Security administrative data*

- **Direct investment:** Includes statistics on U.S. direct investment abroad and foreign direct investment in the United States. Direct investment is the ownership or control by an entity resident in one economy of 10 percent or more of a business enterprise resident in another economy. Major statistical categories include investment positions (stocks), income, and financial transactions (flows), with financial transactions broken down into equity, reinvestment of earnings, and debt instruments. These statistics are presented by country of affiliate/investor and by industry of affiliate.

*Primary data source: BEA survey data*

- **Activities of Multinational Enterprises (AMNE):** Includes statistics related to the operations and finances of foreign affiliates of U.S. multinational enterprises (MNEs) and U.S. affiliates of foreign MNEs. These statistics cover items that are needed in analyzing the characteristics, performance, and economic impact of MNEs, such as sales, employment, capital expenditures, balance sheets, research and development, and value added. These statistics are presented by country of affiliate/investor and by industry of affiliate.

*Primary data source: BEA survey data*

- **New foreign direct investment in the United States:** Includes statistics on the acquisition, establishment, and expansion of U.S. business enterprises by foreign direct investors. The statistics include items such as the expenditures to acquire, establish, or expand U.S. business, as well as financial statement items and employment of the newly acquired, established, or expanded U.S. business enterprises.

*Primary data source: BEA survey data*

For additional information on data sources and estimation methods, see [U.S. International Economic Accounts: Concepts and Methods](#) on BEA's Web site.

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