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Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX Merchandise Exports in 2015

The Metropolitan Export Series is a product funded and developed by the International Trade Administration using data from the U.S. Census Bureau. Merchandise export data are available for U.S. metropolitan areas beginning in 2005.

In 2015, Houston was the

Largest
exporter in the U.S.

Houston Exports in 2015

- Goods exports from the Houston area have increased \$31.2 billion since 2009.
- On average, exports from the Houston area have increased by 8.8% annually over the past 10 years.

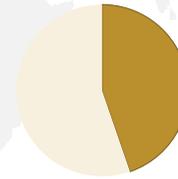
\$97.1 billion

Total Houston goods export value in 2015

47%

Houston area export growth since 2009

Exports from Houston accounted for **45%** of total Texas goods exports



Goods Exports From Select Houston Area Counties

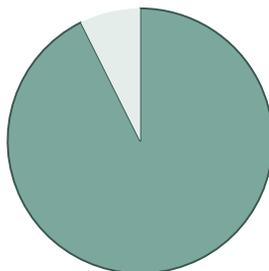
County	Export Value
Harris County	\$80.2 billion
Galveston County	\$7.7 billion
Brazoria County	\$3.9 billion
Fort Bend County	\$2.5 billion
Montgomery County	\$2.3 billion

Exports Sustain Houston Area Businesses

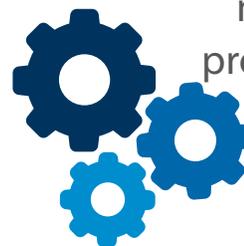
- In 2014 (latest available), 7,556 Houston area companies exported to U.S. FTA partners.
- The same year, 6,745 area companies exported to Trans-Pacific Partnership countries and 3,219 exported to the European Union.

12,042 Number of small and medium-sized goods exporters in Houston in 2014

SMEs account for **93%** of Houston goods exporters



92% of Houston goods exporters shipped manufactured products overseas



Note: Exporter counts reflect the number of companies, not establishments, and are therefore not additive across industries and geographies

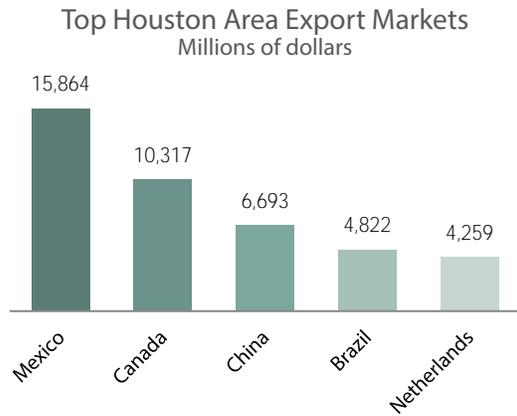


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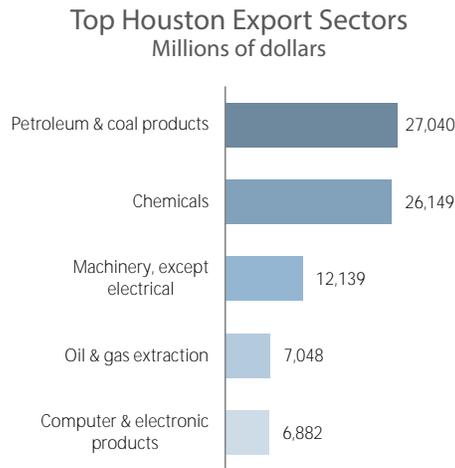
Top Houston Export Markets & Sectors

- In 2015, Mexico was Houston's top foreign market, accounting for 16% of its total goods exports.
- Petroleum & coal products was Houston's top export sector in 2015, accounting for 28% of the area's goods exports.



In addition to these top markets, Houston is also a major exporter to:

Colombia \$3.7 billion
Singapore \$3.0 billion
South Korea \$3.0 billion
Venezuela \$3.0 billion
Saudi Arabia \$2.5 billion



In addition to these top sectors, other sectors where Houston is a major exporter include:

- Fabricated metal products
- Transportation equipment
- Electrical equipment, appliances, & components
- Primary metal manufactures
- Agricultural products

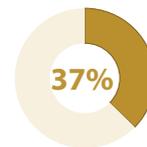
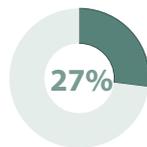
Current and Future FTAs Matter to Houston Area Exporters

- The U.S. currently has 14 free trade agreements in force with 20 countries.

In 2015, exports to FTA markets accounted for **46%** of Houston area exports

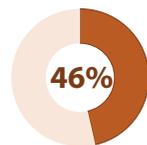
In 2015, Houston exported:

\$26.2 billion
to NAFTA



\$36.2 billion
to TPP

\$45.1 billion
to all FTAs in force



\$12.0 billion
to TTIP (EU-28)

Source Notes

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