

Washington Exports to Australia



Washington's export shipments of merchandise to Australia in 2003 totaled \$2.0 billion, the largest figure among the 50 states. Exports to Australia accounted for 6 percent of the state total in 2003; this was the highest figure of all the states.

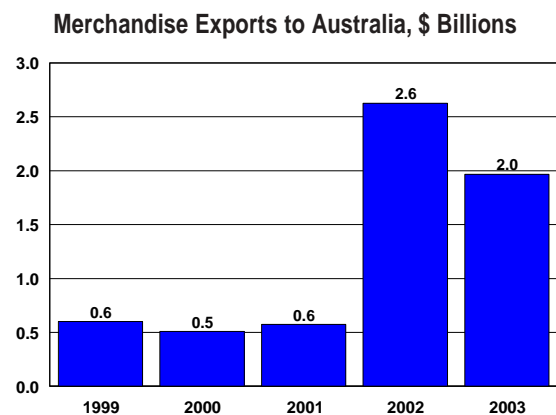
Australia was Washington's fifth largest export market in 2003, trailing only Japan, Canada, China, and Singapore. Australia outranked such traditional major markets as Taiwan, the Netherlands, South Korea, the United Kingdom, Italy, Ireland, and Germany.

Among the states, Washington's exports to Australia grew the most in dollar terms from 1999 to 2003, increasing by \$1.4 billion. Due to this large increase in export value, Australia was the state's leading growth market among its major export destinations during the 1999-2003 period.

In percentage terms, Washington's exports to Australia grew 227 percent over the period, second only to the 266 percent gain posted by Nevada. The 227 percent export gain to Australia during 1999-2003 was the sixth largest percentage increase recorded by Washington to its major markets.

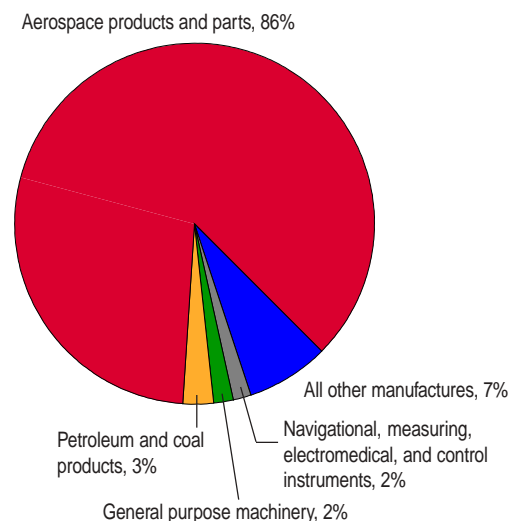
Overall, the state's exports to Australia during 1999-2003 outperformed its exports to the world, which decreased 7 percent, and substantially outpaced growth in total U.S. exports to the Australian market (up 11 percent).

Washington's Exports to Australia Were 227 Percent Higher in 2003 Than in 1999



Washington Exported \$2 Billion in Manufactured Goods to Australia in 2003

Aerospace Products and Parts Dominate



Note: Manufactures are a subcategory of total merchandise exports, which also include mining commodities and unprocessed agricultural products.

Source: Origin of Movement Series, Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce. The Origin of Movement (OM) series allocates exports to states based on transportation origin, i.e., the state from which goods begin their journey to the port (or other point of exit) from the United States. The transportation origin of exports is not always the same as the location where the goods were produced. Thus, conclusions about "export production" in a state should not be made solely on the basis of the Origin of Movement state export figures.

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Aerospace products and parts were the predominant export category from Washington to Australia in 2003, making up 86 percent (\$1.7 billion) of total shipments. Aerospace products and parts were followed by petroleum and coal products (\$54 million); general purpose machinery (\$35 million); navigational, measuring, electromedical, and control instruments (\$31 million); and grain and oilseed milling products (\$28 million).



Australia Was Washington's Fifth Largest Market for Merchandise Exports in 2003

Value of Washington's Merchandise Exports to Its 30 Largest Markets

