

The International Affairs Budget Working for North Carolina

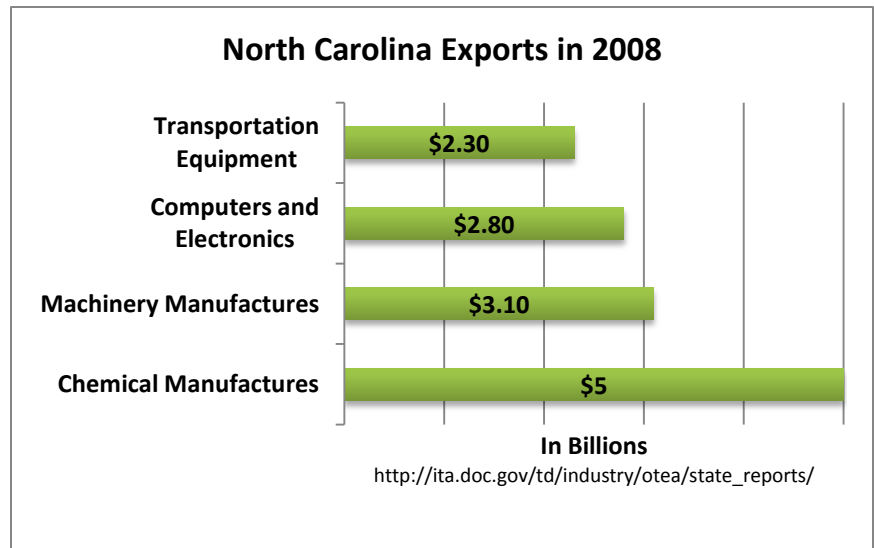
Employment

- Trade supported 878,411 jobs in North Carolina in 2006, or 17.6% of total jobs, up from 8.4% in 1992.¹ Approximately one-sixth (17.4%) of all manufacturing workers in North Carolina depended on exports for their jobs.²
- In 2007, 211,700 people in North Carolina were employed by U.S. affiliates of companies that are at least 50% foreign-owned.³



Trade

- North Carolina exported \$25.1 billion in merchandise to 208 foreign markets in 2008. North Carolina's largest market in 2008 was Canada (\$5.8 billion) followed by China (\$1.9 billion), Mexico (\$1.8 billion), Japan (\$1.7 billion), and the United Kingdom (\$1.0 billion).⁴
- In 2007, 7,898 companies exported goods from North Carolina. Of these, 86% were small- and medium-sized enterprises with fewer than 500 employees.⁵
- Agricultural exports are important to North Carolina's economy, totaling \$3.1 billion and supporting about 35,907 jobs in 2008.⁶
- Since 2005, the U.S. Export-Import Bank has financed \$807.45 million in exports from 143 companies in 70 communities in North Carolina.⁷



Education

- In 2007-2008, 9,098 North Carolina students studied abroad, a 7.6% increase over the previous academic year.⁸
- During 2008-2009, 12,220 international students were enrolled in North Carolina colleges and universities and contributed \$267.7 million to the North Carolina economy.⁹

International Assistance Programs



- Since 1961, 3,540 Peace Corps volunteers from North Carolina have served in dozens of countries overseas.¹⁰
- Support from U.S. government grants and contracts to private voluntary organizations engaged in foreign assistance and development in North Carolina totaled over \$9 million in 2007.¹¹

¹ http://trade.businessroundtable.org/trade_2006/doha/mappop.html

² http://ita.doc.gov/td/industry/otea/state_reports/

³ Anderson, Thomas and William J. Zeile. "Operations of U.S. Affiliates of Foreign Companies: Preliminary Results From the 2007 Benchmark Survey". Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce. http://www.bea.gov/scb/pdf/2009/11%20November/1109_foreign.pdf

⁴ http://ita.doc.gov/td/industry/otea/state_reports/

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⁶ <http://www.fas.usda.gov/info/factsheets/WTO/states.html>

⁷ <https://webappsprod01.exim.gov/apps/usmap/usmap.nsf>

⁸ Institute of International Education. "Open Doors 2009 Report on International Educational Exchange Institute of International Education".

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⁹ http://www.nafsa.org/public_policy.sec/international_education_1

¹⁰ <http://multimedia.peacecorps.gov/multimedia/pdf/stats/homestates.pdf>

¹¹ <http://www.pvo.net/usaid/>