Ohio is reaching out across the world to grow its economy, but its heartland location is what makes it such an attractive place to do business. With its world-class rail line and airport infrastructure, Ohio exported more than $54 billion worth of goods and services in 2018. As a result, international trade supports more than 1.3 million good-paying Ohio jobs.

In Ohio, 1,387,800 jobs were supported by international trade in 2017, representing 19.8% of all jobs in the state. In 2016, 15,729 companies exported goods from Ohio of which 89% were small- and medium-sized enterprises. In 2016, 267,500 people were employed by affiliates of companies at least 50% foreign-owned.

Ohio exported $54.3 billion in goods to foreign markets in 2018. Ohio's largest markets in 2018 were:
- Canada ($21 billion)
- Mexico ($6.9 billion)
- China ($3.7 billion)
- United Kingdom ($2.2 billion)
- Japan ($1.7 billion)

Agricultural exports are important to Ohio's economy, totaling $3.6 billion in 2017, according to the USDA.

Since 2014, the U.S. Export-Import Bank has financed $1 billion in exports from 200 companies in Ohio.

Since 1971, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation has invested $1.4 billion in Ohio companies for overseas investment.

Since 1992, the U.S. Trade and Development Agency has helped facilitate $268 million in exports from Ohio companies, supporting an estimated 1,500 jobs in the state.

In 2016-2017, 13,991 Ohio students studied abroad.

During 2018, 37,583 international students were enrolled in Ohio colleges and universities and contributed $1.2 billion to the Ohio economy.

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