Utah’s exports help to keep the state’s economy strong. More than 380,000 jobs in the state depend on international trade, with more than 3,500 companies across the state exporting goods. 86% of these companies are also small and medium sized businesses.

In Utah, 389,000 jobs were supported by international trade in 2017, representing 19.6% of all jobs in the state.

In 2016, 3,503 companies exported goods from Utah of which 86% were small- and medium-sized enterprises. In 2016, 47,800 people were employed by affiliates of companies at least 50% foreign-owned.

Utah exported $14.4 billion in goods to foreign markets in 2018. Utah’s largest markets in 2018 were:

- United Kingdom ($5.1 billion)
- Canada ($1.8 billion)
- Japan ($806 million)
- Hong Kong ($738 million)
- Mexico ($725 million)

Agricultural exports are important to Utah’s economy, totaling $418 million in 2017, according to the USDA.

Since 2014, the U.S. Export-Import Bank has financed $86 million in exports from 23 companies in Utah.

Since 1971, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation has invested $67 million in Utah companies for overseas investment.

Since 1992, the U.S. Trade and Development Agency has helped facilitate $65 million in exports from Utah companies, supporting hundreds of jobs in the state.

Since 1961, 1,209 Peace Corps volunteers from Utah have served in dozens of countries overseas.

In 2016-2017, 4,366 Utah students studied abroad.

During 2018, 8,254 international students were enrolled in Utah colleges and universities and contributed $215 million to the Utah economy.

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