

AMERICA AND THE WORLD: HOW WEST VIRGINIA WINS

As energy demand increases worldwide, West Virginia's abundant natural resources are being exported across the globe, driving economic growth in the state. West Virginia exports are driving greater profits and new job opportunities every year. In fact, West Virginia's exports generated \$6.7 billion annually, and international trade supports nearly 170,000 West Virginia jobs each year.

BOOSTING WEST VIRGINIA JOBS & EXPORTS

In West Virginia, **170,000 jobs** are supported by trade, representing **20.0%** of all jobs in the state.

In 2023, **917 companies** exported goods from West Virginia, of which **76%** were **small- and medium-sized enterprises**. Additionally, in 2022, **30,600 people** were employed by affiliates of companies at least 50% foreign-owned.

West Virginia exports about \$6.7 billion in goods and services to overseas markets each year. West Virginia's top export markets are:

- **Canada (\$2.2 billion)**
- **China (\$622 million)**
- **Japan (\$419 million)**
- **Netherlands (\$334 million)**
- **Mexico (\$325 million)**

Agricultural exports are important to West Virginia's economy, totaling **\$183 million** annually, according to the USDA.

Since 2014, the **U.S. Export-Import Bank** has financed **\$24 million in exports** from 19 companies in West Virginia.

Since 1992, the **U.S. Trade and Development Agency** has helped facilitate **\$4 million** in exports from West Virginia companies.

170K
JOBS 

76%
SMALL BIZ

TOP WV EXPORTS

\$ In billions

Chemicals	1.6
Transportation Equipment	1.4
Machinery	0.5
Minerals & Ores	0.4

\$6.7B
EXPORTED GOODS



EDUCATION + VOLUNTEERISM

Since 1961, **688 Peace Corps volunteers** from West Virginia have served in dozens of countries overseas.

From 2023-2024, **2,369 international students** were enrolled in West Virginia colleges and universities, contributing **\$75 million** to the West Virginia economy.

