

Illinois Exports to Australia



Illinois' export shipments of merchandise to Australia in 2003 totaled \$925 million, the third highest figure among the 50 states. Exports to Australia accounted for 3.5 percent of the state total in 2003, the fourth highest share of all the states.

Australia was Illinois' sixth largest export market in 2003, trailing only Canada, Mexico, Japan, the United Kingdom, and Germany. Australia outranked such traditional major markets as the Netherlands, France, Singapore, and South Korea.

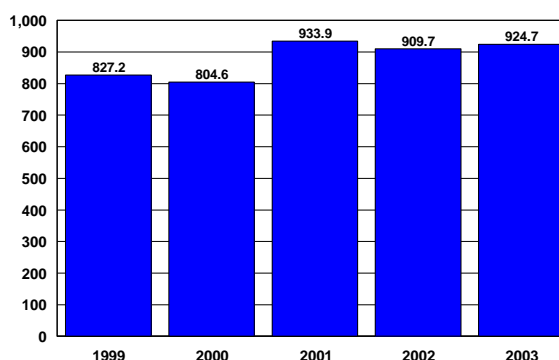
Illinois' exports to Australia rose by \$98 million from 1999 to 2003—the fifth largest dollar increase among the 50 states.

Agricultural and construction machinery was the leading export category from Illinois to Australia in 2003, making up 36 percent (\$335 million) of total shipments (including non-manufactures). This category was followed by engines, turbines, and power transmission equipment (\$79 million); motor vehicle parts (\$71 million); and general purpose machinery (\$44 million).

In dollar terms, Australia has been Illinois' fourth largest growth market, with shipments increasing by \$98 million from 1999 to 2003 (trailing only China, Mexico, and the Netherlands).

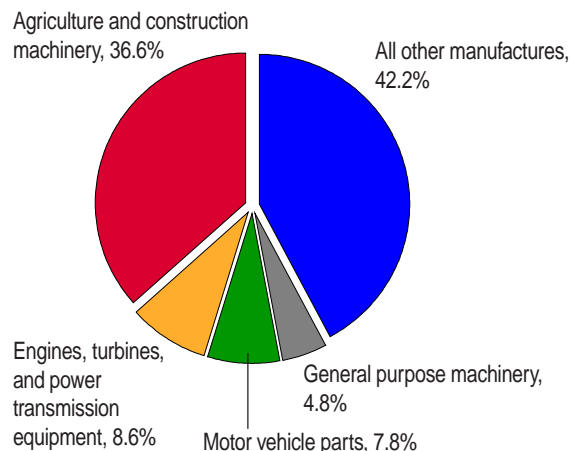
Illinois' Exports to Australia Were 12 Percent Higher in 2003 Than in 1999

Merchandise Exports to Australia, \$ Millions



Illinois Exported \$916 Million in Manufactured Goods to Australia in 2003

Agriculture and Construction Machinery 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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Among Illinois' top 30 markets, exports to Australia were the thirteenth fastest growing from 1999 to 2003, increasing 12 percent.

Illinois' exports to Australia have grown significantly during a time when Illinois' overall exports have fallen. While exports of goods from Illinois to Australia grew 12 percent over the 1999-2003 period, exports from the state to the world declined 10 percent over the same time frame. However, Illinois' growth in exports to Australia over the 1999-2003 period is roughly consistent with total U.S. exports to Australia, which grew from \$11.8 billion in 1999 to \$13.1 billion in 2003, an 11 percent increase.



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Australia Was Illinois' Sixth Largest Market for Merchandise Exports in 2003

Value of Illinois' Merchandise Exports to Its 30 Largest Markets

