



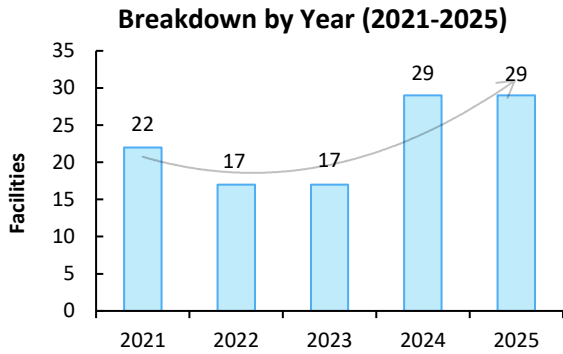
Japanese Direct Investment in North Dakota (as of October 1, 2025)



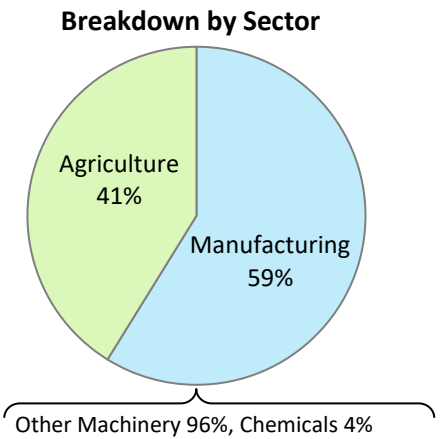
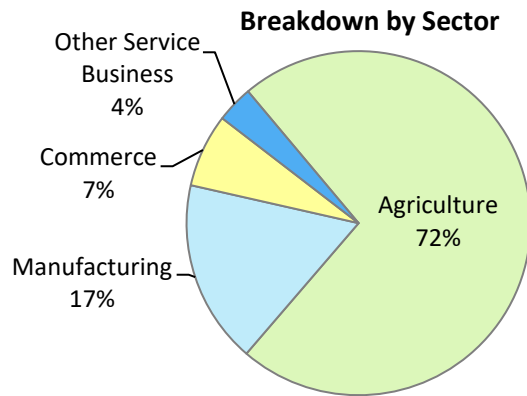
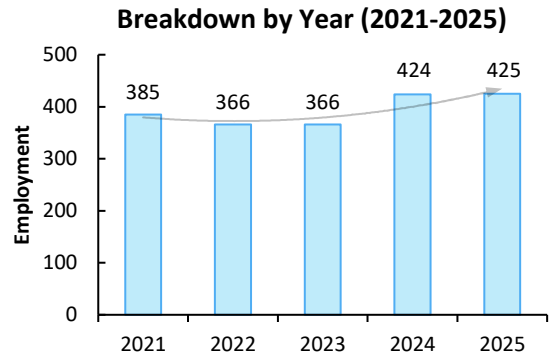
The Consulate-General of Japan in Chicago annually surveys Japanese companies in the Midwest. As the 2025 data indicates, Japanese investment contributes significantly to the state economy.

- **29 Japanese business facilities in North Dakota**
- **425 direct jobs**

JAPANESE BUSINESS FACILITIES



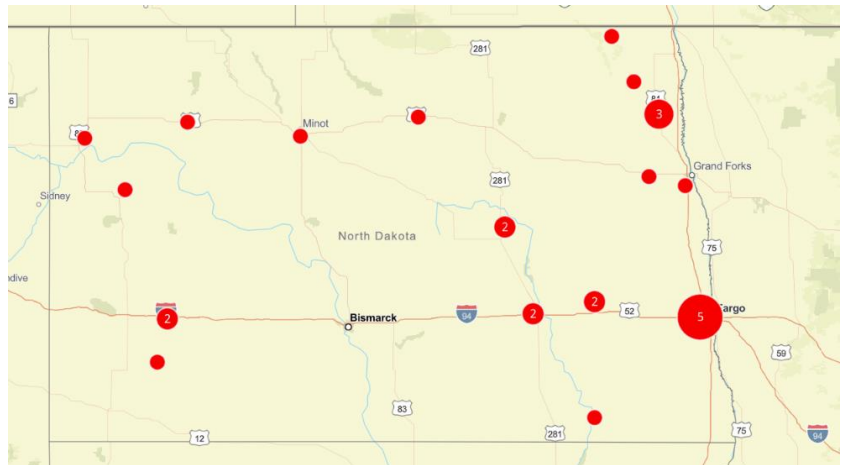
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT



GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

Map of Japanese business facilities in North Dakota¹

- The largest concentration of facilities is the Fargo metropolitan area.
- The City of West Fargo has the highest level of employment by Japanese business facilities as of October 2025.



Note: Japanese company for the purpose of this survey is defined as any company with 10% or more of shares held by Japanese companies or individuals.
¹Clustered map of Japanese business facilities by addresses.



Japanese Trade with North Dakota (as of March, 2026)

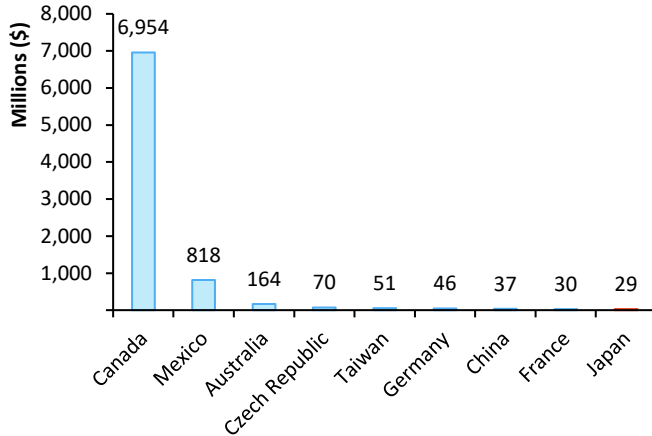


Japanese trade with North Dakota contributes significantly to the state economy.

- Japan is North Dakota's 9th largest export and the 10th largest import partner.
- The leading exports to Japan are Agricultural Products.
- The leading imports from Japan are Machinery (non-electrical).

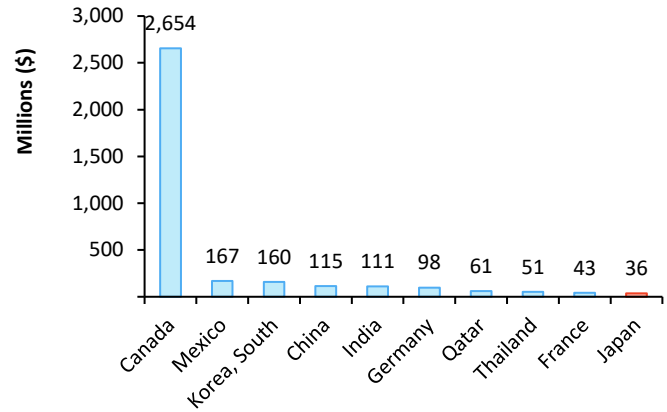
North Dakota Exports (2025)

Breakdown by Trade Partner

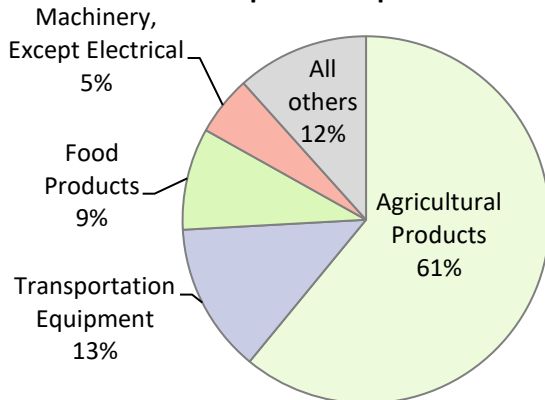


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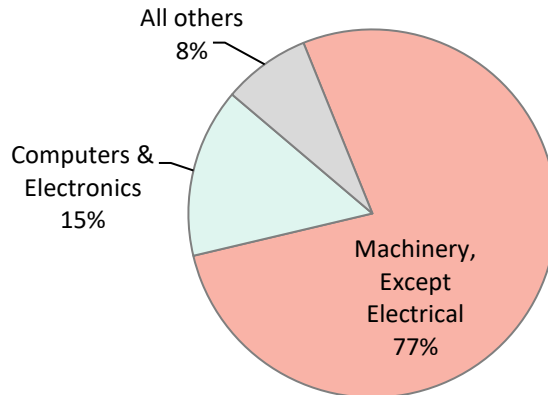
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Exports to Japan Sector



Imports from Japan by Sector



Highlighted North Dakota Exports to Japan: Soybeans and Buckwheat

Top 5 Soybean¹ Export Partners

Partner	Export Value (Thousands of Dollars)
Mexico	230,223
Taiwan	44,918
Japan	16,530
Canada	7,776
Thailand	3,212

Japan is North Dakota's 3rd largest market for soybean exports. Japan has been a top 3 market for North Dakota soybean exports for more than 20 years.

Top 5 Buckwheat² Export Partners

Partner	Export Value (Thousands of Dollars)
Japan	900
Korea, South	317
New Zealand	115
Thailand	47
Indonesia	41

Japan is North Dakota's largest market for buckwheat exports. In 2025, exports to Japan accounted for more than 60% of all North Dakota buckwheat exports.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Economic Indicators Division.

Note: HS used for breakdown by export partner and highlighted exports, NAICS used for breakdown by industry.

1: HS 1201 Soybeans, Whether Or Not Broken, 2: HS 100810 Buckwheat