



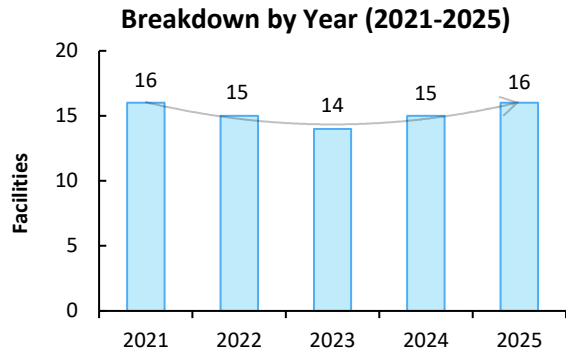
Japanese Direct Investment in South Dakota (as of October 1, 2025)



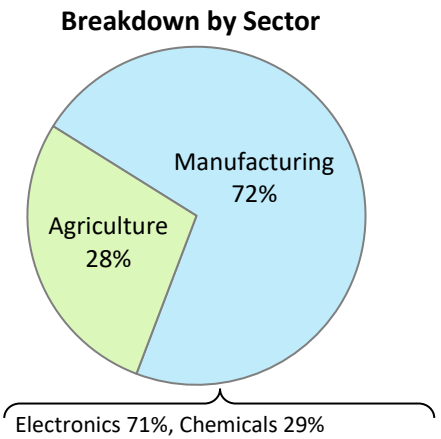
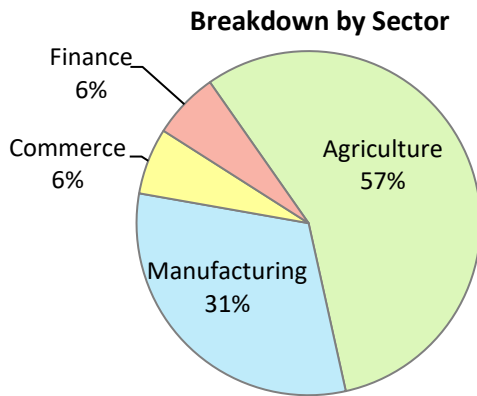
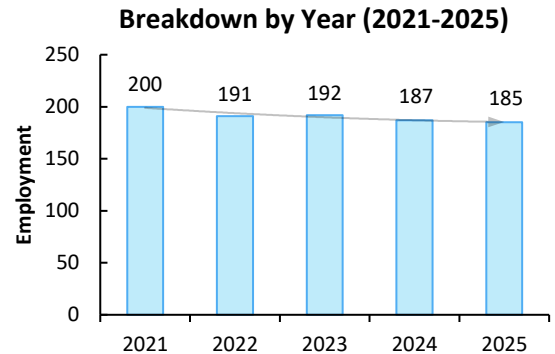
The Consulate-General of Japan in Chicago annually surveys Japanese companies in the Midwest. As the 2025 data indicates, Japanese investment contributes significantly to the state economy.

- 16 Japanese business facilities in South Dakota
- 185 direct jobs

JAPANESE BUSINESS FACILITIES



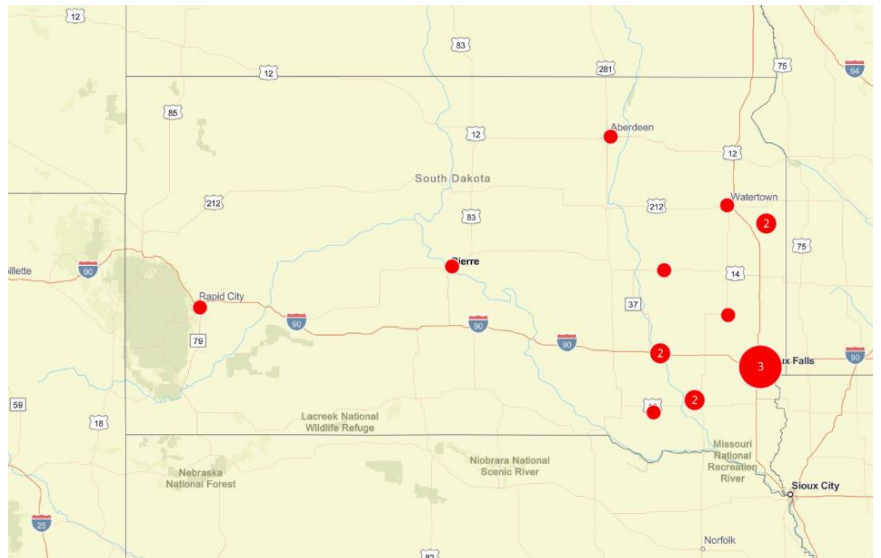
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT



GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

Map of Japanese business facilities in South Dakota¹

- The largest concentration of facilities is in southeastern South Dakota.
- Sioux Falls has the highest number of Japanese business facilities (3) and Mitchell has the highest level of employment 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.
 1: Clustered map of Japanese business facilities by addresses.



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

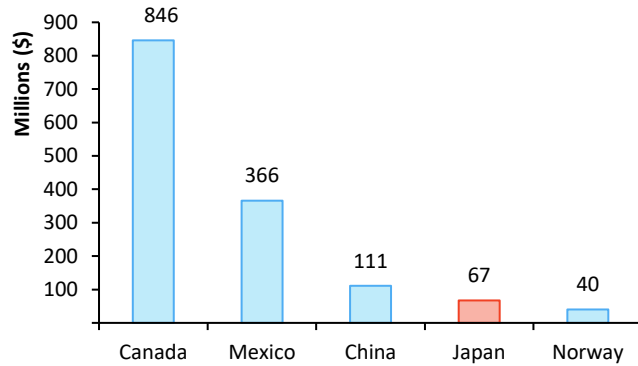


Japanese trade with South Dakota contributes significantly to the state economy.

- Japan is South Dakota's 4th largest export and the 12th largest import partner.
- The leading exports to Japan are Food Products and Minerals & Ores.
- The leading imports from Japan are Machinery (non-electrical).

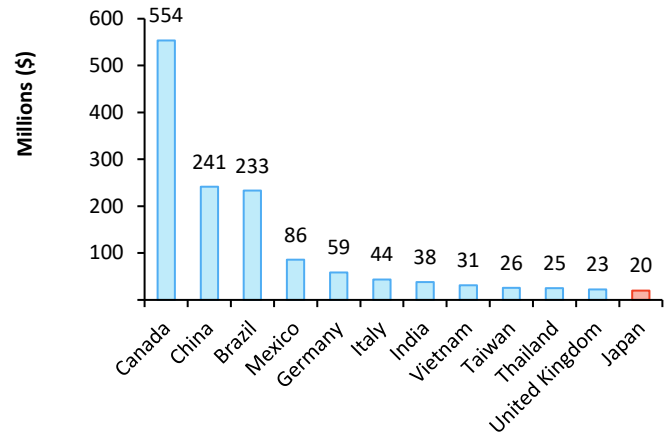
South Dakota Exports (2025)

Breakdown by Trade Partner

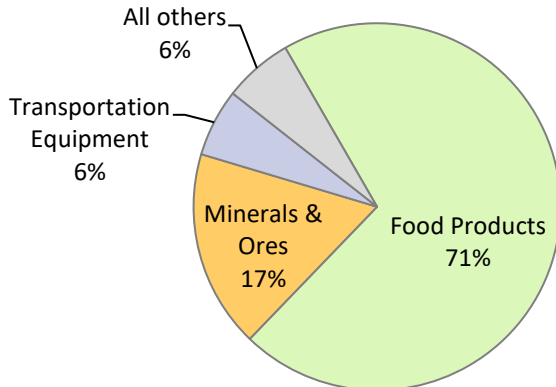


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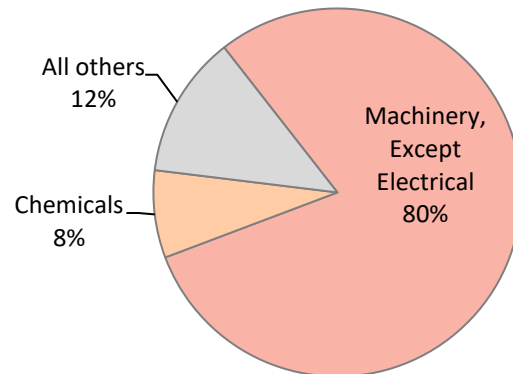
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Exports to Japan by Sector



Imports from Japan by Sector



Highlighted South Dakota Exports to Japan: Frozen Pork and Bentonite

Top 5 Frozen Pork¹ Export Partners

Partner	Export Value (Millions of Dollars)
Japan	41
Colombia	12
Korea, South	6
Mexico	4
China	4

Japan is South Dakota's largest market for frozen pork exports. In 2025, exports to Japan accounted for more than 56% of South Dakota's frozen pork exports.

Top 5 Bentonite² Export Partners

Partner	Export Value (Millions of Dollars)
Japan	12
Mexico	7
Thailand	6
China	5
Taiwan	3

Japan is South Dakota's largest market for bentonite exports. In 2025, exports to Japan accounted for more than 30% of South Dakota's bentonite exports. (Bentonite is used in castings, civil engineering, oil & gas exploration, pet litter, chemicals, and more.)

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 020329 Meat Of Swine, NesoI, Frozen, 2: HS 250810 Bentonite, Including Calcined