

PORT OF ENTRY

Ports of entry within the state of Texas accounted for nearly **\$740 BILLION** in international trade in 2018. Texas has **29 OFFICIAL PORTS** of entry that serve as critical gateways to global trade. Each port, whether an airport, land port or seaport, serves many domestic and international economic activities across multiple industries. Each Texas port plays a distinctive role in the state's transportation network and contributes to the state and local economies.

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PORT OF FREEPORT

THE PORT OF FREEPORT'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TEXAS ECONOMY INCLUDE:

TOTAL TRADE (2018)
\$11.4 BILLION

DIRECT AND INDIRECT EMPLOYMENT
50,700

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT
\$7.7 BILLION

Sources: REMI, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

ABOUT THE PORT OF FREEPORT



The Port of Freeport is one of 10 seaports along Texas' 367-mile Gulf of Mexico coastline. It is part of the Houston-Galveston Customs District, which includes the George Bush Intercontinental Airport, the Sugar Land Regional Airport, the Port of Houston, the Port of Texas City, the Port of Galveston, the Port of Port Lavaca and the Port of Corpus Christi. The Port of Freeport is a deep-water port that is able to accommodate large container ships, and it has the shortest deep-water channel transit on the Texas coast, making its use quick and efficient for oceangoing vessels.

The Port of Freeport was established in 1925, and its first two docks were built in the 1950s. Today, the port continues to capitalize on successful expansion efforts and capabilities.

IN 2018, THE PORT OF FREEPORT HANDLED MORE THAN 19 BILLION TONS OF CARGO

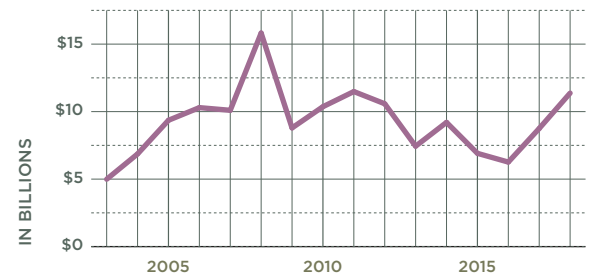
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TOP IMPORTS: PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, MACHINERY

TOP EXPORTS: PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, VEHICLES

TOP TRADING PARTNERS: MEXICO, JAPAN, CHINA

PORT OF FREEPORT: ALL TRADE, 2003-2018

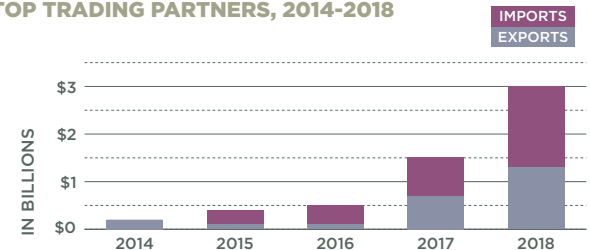


Shipping activity through this port accounted for **\$11.4 BILLION** in trade in 2018, 128 percent more than in 2003 (\$5 billion).

This seaport's trade, as a percentage of the total through all 10 Texas seaports, has fluctuated from as high as 6.2 percent in 2005 to as low as 2.7 percent in 2013.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, USA Trade Online

PORT OF FREEPORT: TOTAL TRADE WITH TOP TRADING PARTNERS, 2014-2018



Mexico, Japan and China together accounted for about 35 percent of the total trade through this port in 2018, up from 4 percent in 2014.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, USA Trade Online

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THE PORT OF FREEPORT IS ONE OF 29 OFFICIAL TEXAS PORTS OF ENTRY.

See a select list, plus more in-depth regional data: comptroller.texas.gov/economy/economic-data/ports