

Canada was the largest energy supplier to the United States in 2007. Consequently, expected climate change legislation will need close monitoring and possibly intervention to ensure Canadian views and interests are taken into consideration. Opportunities exist for collaboration on conserving and sustainably developing existing energy resources, increasing energy efficiency, developing alternative energy sources and representing North American interests at multilateral energy meetings.

### *Security and Prosperity Partnership*

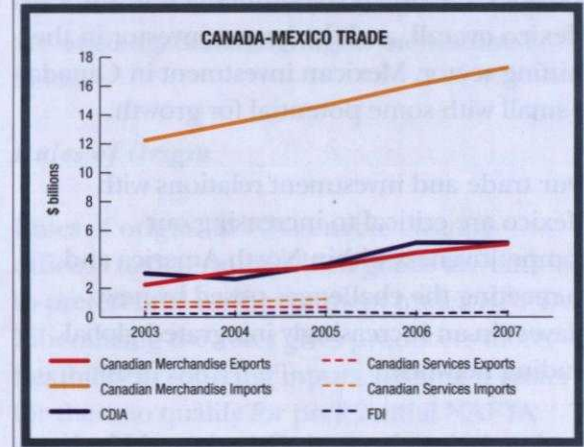
The Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America was a main theme at the North American Leaders' Summit held in Montebello, Quebec, in August 2007. At that meeting, the leaders of Canada, the U.S. and Mexico discussed the partnership's value as a mechanism for achieving tangible results and noted the progress made on the Regulatory Cooperation Framework, the Intellectual Property Action Strategy, and the Trilateral Agreement for Cooperation in Energy Science and Technology. Further, they directed ministers to focus on five priority areas: enhancing the global competitiveness of North America, food and product safety, smart and secure borders, sustainable energy and the environment, and emergency management and preparedness.

### Mexico



**MEXICO**

	2007	Percentage change since 2006 (%)
Population	105.4 million (IMF est.)	1.1
GDP	\$960.2 billion	3.3
Canadian Merchandise exports	\$5.0 billion	13.2
Canadian Services exports	\$635 million (2005)	-
Canadian Merchandise imports	\$17.2 billion	7.2
Canadian Services imports	\$1.2 billion (2005)	-
CDIA	\$5.1 billion	-2.3
FDI	\$294 million	3.5



Mexico is a strategic commercial partner for Canada. Over the past year, Mexico's economy has continued to demonstrate macroeconomic stability. Mexico has also demonstrated its commitment to trade liberalization at the bilateral, trilateral and multilateral levels and continues to make progress domestically in developing a competitive business environment that encourages and supports foreign direct investment and job creation.