One important benefit of the NAFTA for Canada is better access to the Mexican market. Canadian firms have been able to expand sales in sectors that were previously highly restricted, such as automotive products, financial services, trucking, energy and fisheries. Also,

Canadian exports have become steadily more diversified, with value-added manufactured products accounting for more than 50 percent of total exports to Mexico in 1996. As a result, Mexico is now Canada's ninth largest export market and fourth largest import source.

