

Ontario's export performance with Mexico, although not nearly as strong as that of the Prairies, was solid and unlike the other Canadian regions was not dominated by resource-based exports. Rather, Transportation Equipment, at 47.7 percent, and Machinery & Electronics, at 27.3 percent, dominate Ontario's exports to Mexico. Metals & Minerals, at 9.9 percent, is Ontario's third most important export sector to Mexico, but its share has declined from 25.6 percent in 1989.

Machinery & Electronics and Transportation Equipment are also Mexico's most important exports to Ontario; however, Ontario imports \$4.6 billion more in Machinery & Electronics and \$2.9 billion more in Transportation Equipment from Mexico than it exports. Much of these imports are likely intermediate inputs that are then exported to the U.S. These two sectors account for 78.6 percent of Ontario's imports from Mexico.

	Millions of current dollars			CAGR*, %			Share of Canada, %		
	1989	1994	2002	1989-94	1994-02	1989-02	1989	1994	2002
<b>Exports</b>									
Agriculture	40.9	30.6	35.0	-5.64	1.69	-1.19	25.78	8.49	4.66
Food & Beverage	0.2	3.9	13.0	76.87	16.14	36.54	15.36	66.10	67.77
Metals & Minerals	87.1	47.3	108.7	-11.48	10.95	1.72	58.74	34.95	36.85
Chemicals	1.9	6.0	12.4	25.48	9.49	15.38	27.22	30.44	12.52
Plastics & Rubber	11.8	14.5	31.1	4.14	10.02	7.72	85.90	74.67	63.04
Apparel & Textiles	3.6	29.6	3.7	52.70	-23.00	0.19	34.82	82.05	9.01
Wood & Paper	3.5	14.5	28.5	32.80	8.80	17.47	9.33	15.98	21.38
Machinery & Electronics	100.3	151.8	299.4	8.63	8.87	8.77	85.90	86.12	73.99
Transportation Equipment	73.8	100.2	523.7	6.31	22.97	16.27	63.45	51.01	98.73
Misc. Manufactures	1.2	4.6	37.7	29.65	30.19	29.98	76.61	34.85	85.81
Special Transactions	15.7	24.9	3.8	9.69	-21.05	-10.40	59.02	82.58	12.91
<b>Imports</b>									
Agriculture	39.2	99.4	199.1	20.46	9.07	13.31	36.83	53.45	56.79
Food & Beverage	14.2	15.0	82.3	1.07	23.71	14.46	59.81	41.73	50.01
Metals & Minerals	61.2	131.9	391.8	16.61	14.58	15.36	45.28	40.46	45.73
Chemicals	5.5	42.5	166.1	50.41	18.57	29.93	41.76	87.21	89.07
Plastics & Rubber	6.0	19.1	139.6	25.90	28.26	27.35	72.97	71.69	85.43
Apparel & Textiles	25.5	55.2	349.4	16.69	25.94	22.30	46.56	71.24	73.27
Wood & Paper	1.5	9.7	56.0	45.97	24.47	32.33	22.60	62.36	71.58
Machinery & Electronics	756.4	1,600.8	4,942.1	16.18	15.13	15.53	92.84	93.30	85.53
Transportation Equipment	288.7	1,663.8	3,422.8	41.95	9.44	20.95	95.70	95.17	91.97
Misc. Manufactures	29.6	317.5	870.2	60.76	13.43	29.71	88.47	95.80	94.64
Special Transactions	203.7	9.9	18.2	-45.43	7.96	-16.96	97.60	63.67	72.80
* Compound annual growth rate									
Source: Statistics Canada, Customs Basis									