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Alaska State Report

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Alaska, State-Wide Summary

Merchandise Exports

Exports to the UAE by State (\$ millions)							
Rank	State	1999	2012	2013	2014	2012-2014	% of US Total
	US Total	2,713	22,569.9	24,607.2	22,113.1	69,117.7	100.0%
1	Washington	710	5,059.1	4,031.6	3,272.0	12,201.5	17.65%
2	Texas	344	2,190.6	2,684.9	2,635.3	7,501.6	10.85%
48	Montana	0.0	2.4	5.6	2.7	10.7	0.02%
49	Hawaii	0.0	1.7	0.7	0.8	3.2	0.00%
50	Alaska	1.0	1.8	0.6	0.7	3.1	0.00%

Among US states, Alaska is the 50th largest merchandise exporter to the UAE, with exports declining from \$965 thousand in 1999 to \$696 thousand in 2014.

Alaska Exports by Country (\$ millions)				
Rank	Country	2012-14 (\$ millions)	Real GDP (PPP) Rank	Major Export Items
	World	14,224	n/a	Zinc Ores, Fish Fillets, Lead Ores
1	China	4,052	1	Fish, Copper Ores, Lead Ores
2	Japan	2,492	3	Oil, Fish Livers, Zinc Ores
37	Sweeden	3	40	Fish, Cars
38	UAE	3	31	Cars, Aircraft Parts, Drilling Equip.
39	Peru	3	47	Synthetic Yarn, Aerospace, Cars

UAE ranked 38th among Alaska's export markets, although the UAE's economy is only the 31st largest in the world.

Sector	Exports to the UAE		
	2012-2014 (\$1,000)	Share of Total AK Exports to the UAE	UAE Share of AK Exports to All World Markets
Cars	398	12.7	1.4%
Aircraft Parts	325	10.3%	0.1%

Alaska's exports to the UAE are dominated by a small number of manufactured goods items.

- **Cars** – The UAE accounted for \$398 thousand or 1.4% of Alaska's total exports of automobiles to all export markets during 2012-14.
- **Aircraft Parts** – The UAE accounted for \$325 thousand or 0.1% of Alaska's exports of parts for airplanes or helicopters to all markets during 2012-14.

Alaska, State-Wide Summary

Port Activity

Bilateral trade with the UAE supports port activity in Alaska.

Total Trade (Exports + Imports) with UAE (\$ millions)					
Rank	Port	1999	2014	2012-2014	% of 12-14 Bilateral Trade with UAE
1	New York	626	5578.1	17446.2	22.8%
2	Seattle	724	3319.8	12324.8	16.1%
32	Laredo, TX	1	21.6	27.4	0.04%
33	Anchorage, AK	1	7.7	24.6	0.03%
34	San Diego, CA	8.0	6.7	20.3	0.03%

Anchorage is the 33rd largest U.S. port for trade with the UAE, with total trade (imports and exports) growing from \$0.6 million in 1999 to \$7.7 million in 2014.

Employment

Exports of goods and services, port activity supporting bilateral trade, and inward capital investment from the UAE all benefit employment. The positive employment effects attributable to Alaska's exports of manufactured goods to the UAE are the easiest to calculate and the table below summarizes estimated job gains over the 2006 through 2014 period. Direct employment refers to manufacturing jobs at exporters. Indirect employment quantifies the estimated job gains in ancillary sectors such as transportation and input suppliers. Induced employment reflects jobs that are generated by the additional spending of earnings resulting from exports. Most of this spending occurs in sectors, such as restaurants and retail, that are unrelated to the exporting sector. Alaska's exports are dominated by seafood and minerals products, little of which was exported to the UAE.

	Estimated employment in Top-10 Mfg. Sectors attributable to exports to the UAE*			Total Employment related to UAE exports, All Sectors*
	Direct /Indirect Employment	Induced Employment	Total Employment	
2006	1	0	1	1
2007	9	5	14	14
2008	1	1	2	2
2009	5	3	8	10
2010	3	2	5	5
2011	4	2	6	7
2012	10	5	15	15
2013	3	2	5	6
2014	4	2	5	6
Employment Growth	3	2	4	5

* Adjusted based on the share of total state exports to the UAE accounted for by the top-10 manufacturing sector exports.

Sources: Estimated using USATRADE Online and Bureau of Economic Analysis.

