Texas is the #1 exporting state in the country and a leading location for foreign direct investment. In 2021, Texas topped U.S. exports for the 20th year in a row with more than $375 billion. With more than 1,600 international firms operating in the state, Texas attracts companies from across the globe. Thanks to trading and investment partners, like the United Kingdom, Texas upholds its reputation as a leader in the global economy. Find more on Texas’ strong economic relationship with the United Kingdom below.

**TRADE**

- United Kingdom was Texas’ 11th largest trading partner in 2021.
- United Kingdom was Texas’ 10th largest export destination in 2021 with $9.3 billion in exports. Top exports to the United Kingdom were mineral fuel; chemicals; nuclear reactors; aircraft, plastics; electric machinery; and surgical instruments.
- United Kingdom was Texas’ 14th largest import source country in 2021 with $4.5 billion in imports. Top imports included electric machinery; nuclear reactors; furniture; Optic and photo; and mineral fuel.

*Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau*

**FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT**

- Over the last decade, United Kingdom companies reported 341 investment projects in Texas, expected to create $5.5 billion in capital investment and more than 14,500 new jobs.
- During that same period, Texas companies reported 248 investment projects in the United Kingdom, expected to create $5.6 billion in capital investment and more than 15,200 new jobs.

*Source: fDi Markets as of December 2021*
## ECONOMIC COMPARISON

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<td><strong>Land Area</strong></td>
<td>261,231 sq. miles (676,585 sq. km)</td>
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<td><strong>Population</strong></td>
<td>30.4 million</td>
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<td>1.7% (2021)</td>
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                        | ● Aircraft related parts     ● Gas turbines  
                        | ● Semiconductor related machinery ● Gold  
                        | ● Computer parts & accessories ● Crude petroleum  
                        | ● Packaged medicines         |
| **Imports**            | $311.9 billion         | $752.8 billion (2020)       |
| Import Commodities     | ● Petroleum oil products  ● Gold  
                        | ● Electrical & industrial machinery ● Cars  
                        | ● Cellular phones            ● Crude petroleum  
                        | ● Motor vehicles             ● Refined petroleum  
                        | ● Broadcasting equipment     |
| **Airports**           | 393                    | 460 (2013)                  |
| **Freight Railways**   | 10,384 miles (16,711 km) | 16,837 km (2015)            |
| **Paved Public Roadways** | 80,606 centerline miles (197,865 lane miles) | 245,086 miles (394,428 km) |
| **Ports**              | 21                     | 120                         |

### 2021 TOP 10 EXPORTS TO U.K.

- 27 Mineral Fuel, Oil Etc.; Bitumin Subst; Mineral Wax
- 84 Nuclear Reactors, Boilers, Machinery Etc.; Parts
- 85 Electric Machinery Etc; Sound Equip; Tv Equip; Pts
- 88 Aircraft, Spacecraft, And Parts Thereof
- 39 Plastics And Articles Thereof
- 90 Optic, Photo Etc, Medic Or Surgical Instruments Etc
- 98 Special Classification Provisions, Nesol
- 71 Nat Etc Pearls, Prec Etc Stones, Pr Met Etc; Coin
- 73 Articles Of Iron Or Steel
- 28 Organic Chemicals

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