



Bureau of Transportation Statistics

June Surface Trade with Canada and Mexico Rose 12.6 Percent from June 2005

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(State Rankings in Tables 5 and 7)

Trade using surface transportation between the United States and its North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) partners Canada and Mexico was 12.6 percent higher in June 2006 than in June 2005, reaching \$66.9 billion, according to the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) of the U.S. Department of Transportation ([Table 1](#)).

BTS, a part of the Research and Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), reported that total North American surface transportation trade rose 1.4 percent in June from May ([Table 2](#)). Month-to-month

changes can be affected by seasonal variations and other factors.

Surface transportation consists largely of freight movements by truck, rail and pipeline. About 90 percent of U.S. trade by value with Canada and Mexico moves on land.

Total North American surface transportation trade value in June was up 37.2 percent compared to June 2001, and up 92.0 percent compared to June 1996, a period of 10 years ([Table 3](#)). Imports in June were up 102.1 percent compared to June 1996, while exports were up 80.1 percent.

U.S. Surface Transportation Trade with Canada

U.S.–Canada surface transportation trade totaled \$42.8 billion in June, up 9.7 percent compared to June 2005 ([Table 4](#)). The value of imports carried by truck was 6.3 percent higher in June 2006 than June

2005, while the value of exports carried by truck was 12.0 percent higher.

Michigan led all states in surface trade with Canada in June with \$6.8 billion ([Table 5](#)).

U.S. Surface Transportation Trade with Mexico

U.S. – Mexico surface transportation trade totaled \$24.1 billion in June, up 18.1 percent compared to June 2005 ([Table 6](#)). The value of imports carried by truck was 15.0 percent higher in June 2006 than June 2005 while the value of exports carried by truck was 18.4 percent higher.

Texas led all states in surface trade with Mexico in June with \$7.4 billion ([Table 7](#)).

The Transborder Freight Data are a special extract of the official U.S. foreign trade statistics. The data are

tabulated for BTS monthly by the U.S. Census Bureau's Foreign Trade Division. June transborder numbers include data received by BTS as of Aug. 14.

The news release and summary tables can be found at www.bts.gov. More information on Transborder Freight Data and data from previous months are posted on the BTS website at <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>. BTS will release July transborder numbers on Sept. 29.

Table 1. Value of Monthly U.S. Surface Trade with Canada and Mexico

(millions of dollars)

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Month	2004	2005	2006	Percent Change 2004-2005	Percent Change 2005-2006
January	45,686	52,334	61,189	14.6	16.9
February	48,170	53,592	59,804	11.3	11.6
March	56,269	59,436	68,213	5.6	14.8
April	53,195	58,297	61,742	9.6	5.9
May	53,155	57,870	65,994	8.9	14.0

June	55,422	59,431	66,898	7.2	12.6
July	48,096	49,690		3.3	
August	53,577	60,188		12.3	
September	54,913	61,166		11.4	
October	56,880	63,985		12.5	
November	56,134	62,894		12.0	
December	52,065	59,104		13.5	
Year-to-date	311,897	340,960	383,840	9.3	12.6
Annual	633,563	697,987		10.2	

Source: BTS Transborder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>.

Note: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

Table 2. U.S. Merchandise Trade with Canada and Mexico by Surface Modes of Transportation

(millions of dollars)

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Mode		June 2005	May 2006	June 2006	Percent Change May 2006– June 2006	Percent Change June 2005-2006
All Surface Modes	Imports	33,724	37,257	37,938	1.8	12.5
	Exports	25,707	28,737	28,960	0.8	12.7
	Total	59,431	65,994	66,898	1.4	12.6
Truck	Imports	22,301	24,377	24,542	0.7	10.0
	Exports	20,437	22,861	23,330	2.1	14.2
Rail	Imports	6,482	7,440	7,934	6.7	22.4
	Exports	2,845	3,599	3,212	-10.8	12.9
Pipeline	Imports	3,792	4,367	4,332	-0.8	14.2
	Exports	184	260	198	-23.9	7.4

Source: BTS Transborder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>.

Note: The value of all surface modes is not equal to the sum of truck, rail and pipeline modes. The value of trade for all surface modes includes shipments made by truck, rail, pipeline, mail, foreign trade zones, other and unknown modes of transportation. For additional detail refer to the Transborder Freight Data "Sources and Reliability" statement:

<http://www.bts.gov/ntda/tbscd/srfin.html>; Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

Table 3. June 2006 Surface Trade with Canada and Mexico Compared with June of Prior Years

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Compared to June in...	Percent Change		
	Imports	Exports	Total Surface Trade
2005	12.5	12.7	12.6
2004	16.9	26.1	20.7

2003	41.5	40.5	41.0
2002	46.1	43.5	44.9
2001	36.2	38.6	37.2
2000	34.0	29.8	32.1
1999	57.5	51.9	55.0
1998	87.5	67.0	78.1
1997	100.6	75.1	88.7
1996	102.1	80.1	92.0

Source: BTS Transborder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>.

Table 4. U.S. Merchandise Trade with Canada by Surface Modes of Transportation

(millions of dollars)

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Mode		June 2005	May 2006	June 2006	Percent Change May 2006–June 2006	Percent Change June 2005-2006
All Surface Modes	Imports	22,097	24,201	24,138	-0.3	9.2
	Exports	16,961	18,712	18,695	-0.1	10.2
	Total	39,058	42,914	42,833	-0.2	9.7
Truck	Imports	12,601	13,590	13,391	-1.5	6.3
	Exports	13,416	14,746	15,020	1.9	12.0
Rail	Imports	4,757	5,383	5,524	2.6	16.1
	Exports	1,556	2,136	1,740	-18.5	11.9
Pipeline	Imports	3,792	4,367	4,331	-0.8	14.2
	Exports	149	193	143	-26.0	-4.0

Source: BTS Transborder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>

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Table 5. Top 10 States Trading with Canada by Surface Modes of Transportation

Ranked by June 2006 Surface Trade Value

(millions of dollars)

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Rank	State	June 2006
1	Michigan	6,835
2	Illinois	3,255
3	Ohio	2,883

4	New York	2,774
5	California	2,667
6	Texas	1,920
7	Pennsylvania	1,594
8	Washington	1,543
9	Indiana	1,500
10	Minnesota	1,250

Source: BTS Transborder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>

Table 6. U.S. Merchandise Trade with Mexico by Surface Modes of Transportation

(millions of dollars)

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Mode		June 2005	May 2006	June 2006	Percent Change May 2006– June 2006	Percent Change June 2005-2006
All Surface Modes	Imports	11,626	13,056	13,800	5.7	18.7
	Exports	8,747	10,024	10,265	2.4	17.4
	Total	20,373	23,080	24,065	4.3	18.1
Truck	Imports	9,700	10,788	11,152	3.4	15.0
	Exports	7,021	8,115	8,311	2.4	18.4
Rail	Imports	1,724	2,056	2,410	17.2	39.8
	Exports	1,289	1,464	1,471	0.5	14.2
Pipeline	Imports	0	0	1	NA	NA
	Exports	35	67	55	-17.7	55.3

Source: BTS Transborder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>

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Table 7. Top 10 States Trading with Mexico by Surface Modes of Transportation

Ranked by June 2006 Surface Trade Value

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Rank	State	June 2006
1	Texas	7,378
2	California	4,083
3	Michigan	2,778
4	Arizona	843

5	Illinois	808
6	Ohio	575
7	New York	517
8	Tennessee	481
9	Indiana	475
10	North Carolina	467