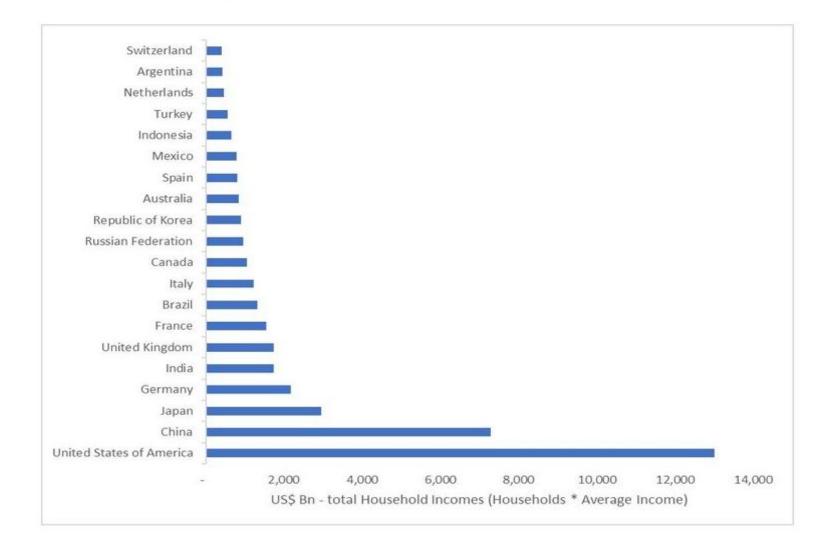


Figure 2: The relative importance of individual countries to total consumer spending power 2018



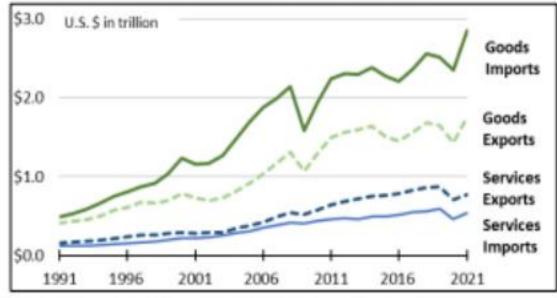
Total Consumer Spending power of the 108 countries is US\$49,890 Bn so the United States of America Accounts for 26% and China 15%. Add Japan and half the world's spending power is accounted for.



# The 2021 top U.S. trading partners (goods and services, exports plus imports)

### North American trade is now \$ 2.6 million per minute

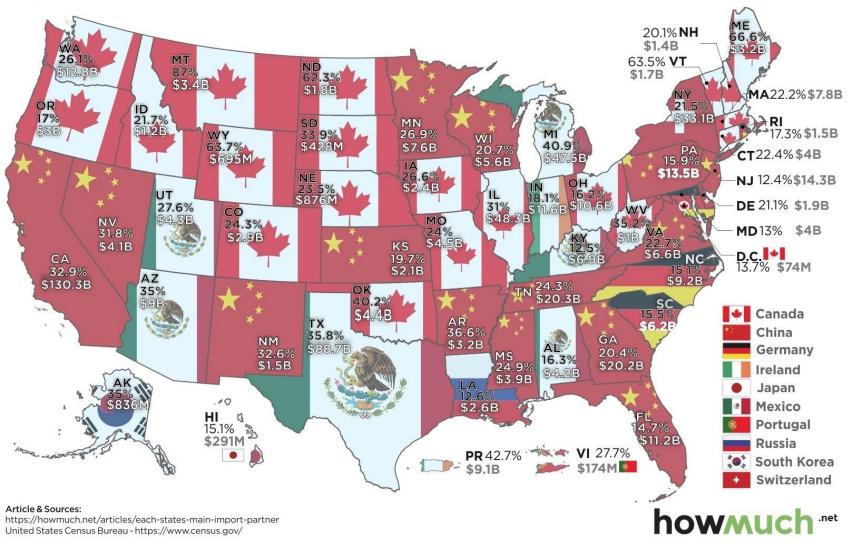
- 1. As a bloc, the European Union (EU, \$1,091 billion) Figure I. U.S. Goods and Services Trade
- 2. Canada (\$758 bn)
- 3. Mexico (\$725 bn)
- 4. China (\$716 bn)
- 5. Japan (\$280 bn)
- 6. Germany (\$267 bn)



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis and Census Bureau.

# **Each State's Main Import Partner**

Import Value & Percentage of Total State Imports in 2020



Intra-regional North American trade comprises 39.2 % of the global trade of the three countries, totalling \$ 2619.8 billion; 49.7 % of total exports and 31.9 % of total imports (2021 data)

Source: Opportimes.com, 6 November 2022

## **USMCA DISPUTES AND REVIEW**

#### State to State Disputes Under the USMCA

Dispute	Complaining party/parties	Claims	Decision	Panelists
Canada — Dairy TRQs	United States	Canada's system to allocate its dairy Tariff Rate Quotas	Canada's allocation of TRQs is inconsistent with the USMCA	<ul> <li>Elbio Rosselli</li> <li>Julie Bédard</li> <li>Mark C. Hansen</li> </ul>
United States – Solar safeguard	Canada	U.S. decision to impose a safeguard measure on imports from Canada of solar cells	The U.S. safeguard is inconsistent with the USMCA's obligation to exclude Canada from its scope	<ul> <li>Mario Matus</li> <li>Jennifer Hillman</li> <li>Donald McRae</li> </ul>
United States – Auto Rules of Origin (ROO)	Mexico and Canada	U.S. interpretation of the USMCA's ROO for motor vehicles	Pending	<ul> <li>Elbio Rosselli</li> <li>Kathleen Claussen</li> <li>Ann Ryan Robertson</li> <li>Jorge Miranda</li> <li>Donald McRae</li> </ul>

#### PLUS:

US and Canada: Mexican Energy Measures – consultations continue

US and Canada: Mexican biotechnology measures – ongoing discussions

USMCA Labour Rapid Response Mechanism – 5 disputes successfully resolved

#### Sunset Clause

#### Review and Term Extension

The Agreement shall terminate 16 years after the date of its entry into force, unless each Party confirms it wishes to continue for a new 16-year term, in other words it is a long-term "Review Clause".

It establishes a review and term extension mechanism, to avoid the Agreement's sudden death, while allowing to update it constantly to address new economic and political challenges.

General elements of the mechanism:

- Extension: 16 years extendable for similar periods. Parties shall confirm through its Head of Government it wishes to continue in the Agreement.
- Review and automatic extension: the first joint review will be in the 6<sup>th</sup> year after the signature of the Agreement and the next one will be 6 years later.
  - At the end of each joint review, the parties may confirm their decision to extend the Agreement for another 16 years; or
  - If one of the Parties doesn't confirm its wish to extend the Agreement during the 6 year review;
    - The three Parties will have a joint review every year, for 10 years, in order to solve those elements that don't permit the extension of the Agreement. In the scenario of reaching year 16 without confirming the extension of the agreement, it would be concluded.

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