# **Canada-Arkansas Trade**



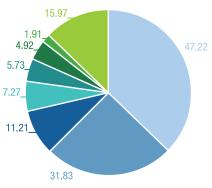
- → Total trade between Arkansas and Canada totaled \$1.9 billion in 2006, with agriculture and agri-food goods making up \$197.2 million of this amount. Canada is a net importer of agricultural goods from Arkansas and almost 21 percent of Arkansas' agri based exports to the world were consumed by Canada in 2006.
- → Arkansas is the number one producer of rice in the U.S. Therefore, rice and rice exports are very important to the Arkansas economy. In 2006, Canada bought 28 percent of the state's rice exports, which represents \$48 million worth of rice exported to Canada. In fact, Canada is ranked as one of the largest export markets for Arkansas rice in the world.
- → The poultry industry is also important to Arkansas. Arkansas ranked number two among the U.S. states on the basis of state wide exports for the commodity in 2006. Measured as exports divided by farm cash receipts, the state's reliance on agricultural exports was 28 percent in 2005. Canada bought \$19 million in chicken, and \$7.2 million in chicken and turkey cuts from Arkansas in 2006, as well as \$5.6 million in chicken hatchlings.
- → In 2006, Canada imported a variety of agri-based products from Arkansas, including food preparation from cereals worth \$11.2 million, another \$5 million in fish and seafood and almost \$2 million in pet food.
- →In return, Canada exported \$21 million worth of baked goods to Arkansas in 2006, \$3.7 million in whiskies, \$4.6 million in live trees and plants and \$2 million in fresh potatoes.

## TRADE SUPPORTS ARKANSAS' FAMILIES

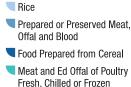
Canada's population is slightly less than the population of the state of California, but the face of agriculture remains the same for both Canada and the United States. Both in Canada and the United States, 98 percent of farms are family operations. Arkansas is an important producer and exporter of agricultural products worldwide. In 2006, the state's cash farm receipts totaled \$6.2 billion. Arkansas ranked eleventh among all 50 states in 2006 with agricultural exports estimated at \$1.9 billion. Agricultural exports help boost farm prices and income, while supporting about 22,600 jobs both on the farm and off the farm in food processing, storage, and transportation. Exports remain important to Arkansas' agricultural and statewide economy. Measured as exports divided by farm cash receipts, the state's reliance on agricultural exports was 31 percent in 2006.

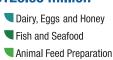
### CONSUMER-ORIENTED EXPORTS

Canada's top exports to Arkansas are the makings of a wellbalanced meal. In 2006, Arkansas purchased from Canada 7.1 million in beef, \$3.8 million in potatoes, \$2.1 million in ginger bread and \$1.3 million in frozen vegetables. The people of Arkansas enjoyed \$21 million in baked goods, \$8.1 million in Canadian liquors and \$1.4 million in chocolate goods bought from Canada.

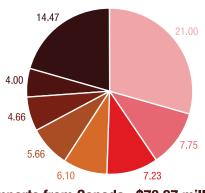








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