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Merchandise Trade

In 2013, Manitoba's trade with the world was valued at \$31.8 billion, comprised of \$12.7 billion in exports from Manitoba to, and \$19.1 billion in imports to the province from, the world.

The value of Manitoba's exports increased by 10.4% between 2012 and 2013, while the value of the province's imports decreased by 0.4%.

Manitoba was Canada's seventh largest provincial/territorial exporter in 2013. In that year, it was Canada's fifth largest provincial/territorial importer.

Over the 2008 to 2013 period, the value of Manitoba's exports, as well as of Canada's global exports, decreased at an average annual rate of 0.5%. The value of Manitoba's exports as a share of the value of Canada's global exports was 2.7% in both 2008 and 2013.

The value of Manitoba's imports increased at an average annual rate of 4.5% over the 2008 to 2013 period, compared to 1.8% for Canada's global imports. The value of Manitoba's imports as a share of the value of Canada's global imports grew from 3.5% in 2008 to 4.0% in 2013.

In 2012, the most recent year for which data are available, the value of Manitoba's merchandise exports as a proportion of the province's gross domestic product (GDP) was 19.8%. In that year, the value of Canada's global merchandise exports as a proportion of the country's GDP was 25.0%.

The value of Manitoba's merchandise imports as a proportion of the province's GDP was 32.8% in 2012. In that year, the value of Canada's global merchandise imports as a proportion of the country's GDP was 25.4%.

Figure 1

Merchandise Trade
(\$ billions)

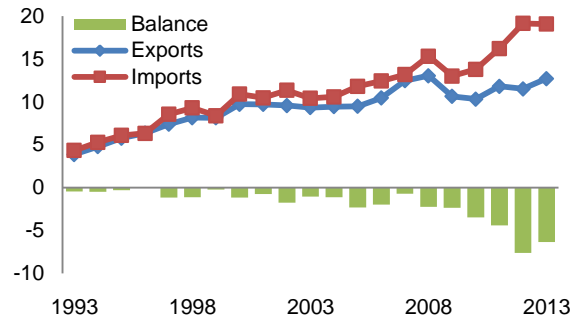


Figure 2

Importance to Canada

Average yearly growth (%): 2008–2013 Share of Canada's trade (%): 2008–2013

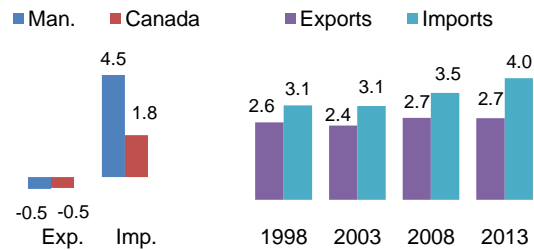
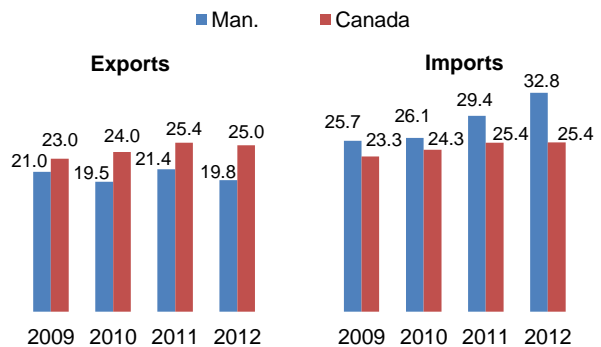


Figure 3

Merchandise Trade as a Percentage of Gross Domestic Product



All figures were prepared using Statistics Canada data available in spring 2014. The merchandise trade data are customs-based. Numbers in this paper have been rounded.

Products

In 2013, manufactured goods accounted for 65.2% of the value of Manitoba's exports, with resource-based goods representing the remaining 34.8%. This composition was similar to that of 2008, when manufactured goods and resource-based goods accounted for 66.8% and 33.2% respectively of the value of the province's exports.

Manitoba's highest-valued exports in 2013 were wheat, crude oil and nickel, which together accounted for 20.1% of the value of the province's exports. The value of Manitoba's crude oil exports increased from \$688.2 million in 2008 to \$854.4 million in 2013. The value of Manitoba's wheat and nickel exports decreased from \$1.1 billion and \$992.2 million respectively in 2008 to \$984.6 million and \$718.1 million respectively in 2013.

In 2013, manufactured goods represented 94.7% of the value of Manitoba's imports, with resource-based goods accounting for the remaining 5.3%. This composition was similar to that of 2008, when manufactured goods and resource-based goods represented 95.6% and 4.4% respectively of the value of the province's imports.

Manitoba's highest-valued imports in 2013 were agricultural machinery, tractors and gas turbines, which together accounted for 8.8% of the value of the province's imports. The value of Manitoba's agricultural machinery, tractor and gas turbine imports increased from \$345.8 million, \$400.5 million and \$265.0 million respectively in 2008 to \$613.1 million, \$554.9 million and \$517.7 million respectively in 2013.

In 2013, Manitoba had a trade surplus in the agriculture and food product category. It had a trade deficit in all other product categories in that year.

Figure 4

Major Export Products
(\$ billions)

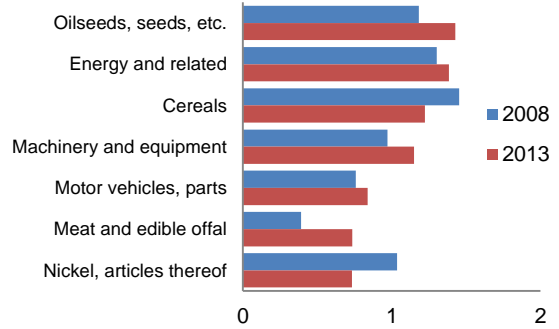


Figure 5

Major Import Products
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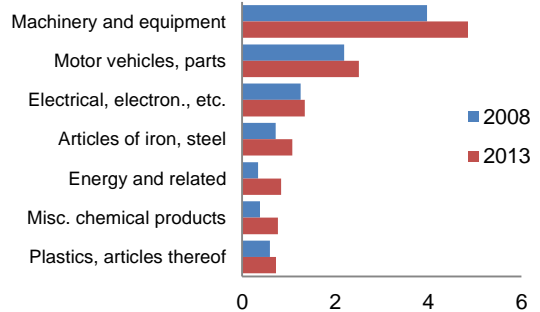
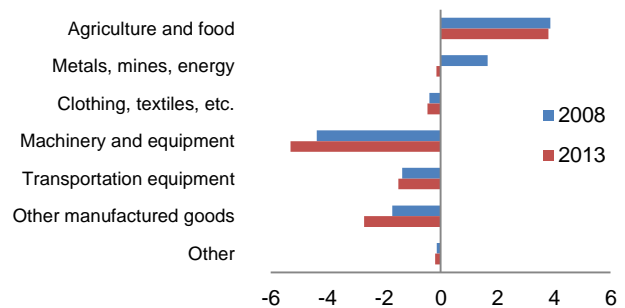


Figure 6

Balance by Category
(\$ billions)



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Trading Partners

In 2013, the United States was Manitoba's most significant export destination, with exports valued at \$8.4 billion. The country accounted for 66.4% of the value of the province's exports in that year, compared to 68.3% in 2008.

China, Japan, Mexico and Germany were also among the top five destinations for Manitoba's exports in 2013. Together, these four countries accounted for 16.9% of the value of the province's exports in that year, compared to 12.7% in 2008.

In 2013, the United States was Manitoba's most significant source of imports, with imports valued at \$15.4 billion. The country accounted for 80.9% of the value of the province's imports in that year, compared to 81.5% in 2008.

China, Mexico, Germany and Japan were also among the top five sources of Manitoba's imports in 2013. Together, these four countries accounted for 10.4% of the value of the province's imports in that year, compared to 9.8% in 2008.

In 2013, Manitoba had trade surpluses with Asia, the Middle East, Africa and Oceania. It had trade deficits with the United States, Europe and the Americas (excluding the United States) in that year.

Figure 7

Major Export Destinations
(\$ billions)

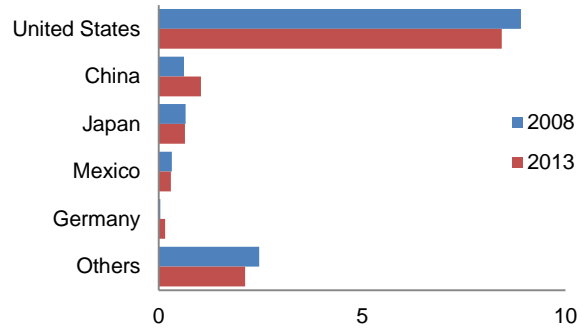


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Major Sources of Imports
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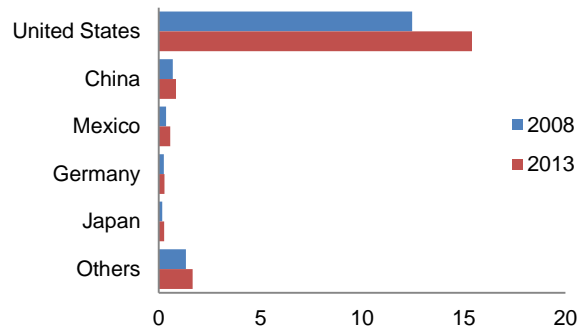
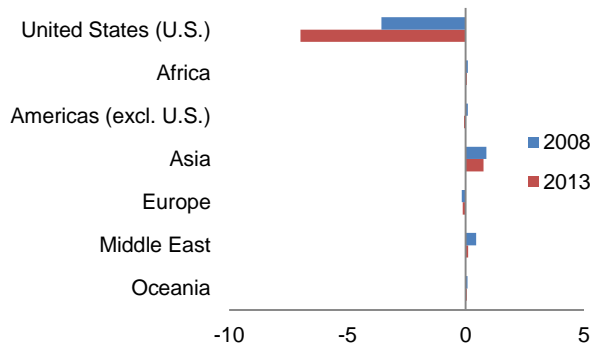


Figure 9

Trade Balance by Region
(\$ billions)



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