



## Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI

- In the first half of 2007, the Chicago-Naperville-Joliet metropolitan area was the sixth largest export market in the U.S., with sales totaling \$14.8 billion.
- Canada was the leading export destination for Chicago's exports of goods in the first half of 2007. Other leading destinations were Mexico and Germany.
- In the first half of 2007, Chicago benefited from existing free trade agreements, exporting \$6.7 billion to Canada and Mexico and \$206 million to the Central America and the Dominican Republic region.
- Forty-five percent of Chicago's merchandise exports go to NAFTA countries.
- Chemicals were the top Chicago export for the first half of 2007, accounting for \$2.9 billion, or 20 percent, of exported goods.
- Other top exports were computer and electronic products (\$2.5 billion, 17 percent); machinery, except electrical (\$1.8 billion, 12 percent); and transportation equipment (\$1.6 billion, 11 percent).

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