



Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX

- In the first half of 2007, the Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown metropolitan area was the second largest export market in the U.S., with sales totaling \$29.9 billion.
- The Houston metropolitan area accounted for 48 percent of Texas' merchandise exports in the first half of 2007.
- Mexico was the leading export destination for Houston's exports of goods in the first half of 2007. Other leading destinations were Canada and China.
- In the first half of 2007, Houston benefited from existing free trade agreements, exporting \$7.3 billion to Canada and Mexico and \$817 million to the Central America and the Dominican Republic region.
- Twenty-four percent of Houston's merchandise exports go to NAFTA countries.
- Chemicals was the top Houston export for the first half of 2007, accounting for \$10.4 billion, or 35 percent, of exported goods.
- Other top exports were machinery, except electrical (\$5.9 billion, 20 percent); petroleum and coal products (\$5.2 billion, 17 percent); and computer and electronic products (\$3 billion, 10 percent).

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