



Atlanta-Sandy Spring-Marietta, GA

- In the first half of 2008, the Atlanta-Sandy Spring-Marietta metropolitan area was the 18th largest export market in the United States, with sales totaling \$7.0 billion.
- The Atlanta metropolitan area accounted for 57 percent of Georgia's merchandise exports in the first half of 2008.
- Canada was the leading export destination for Atlanta's exports of goods in the first half of 2008. Other leading destinations were Mexico and Japan.
- Atlanta is the third largest metropolitan area exporter to Nigeria (\$46 million).
- Atlanta is the fourth largest metropolitan area exporter of paper (\$395 million).
- Transportation equipment was the top Atlanta export in the first half of 2008, accounting for \$1.4 billion, or 19 percent, of exported goods.
- Other top exports were machinery, except electrical (\$1.0 billion, 15 percent); computer and electronic products (\$891 million, 13 percent); chemicals (\$796 million, 11 percent); and food and kindred products (\$624 million, 9 percent).
- In the first half of 2008, Atlanta benefited from existing free trade agreements, exporting \$1.9 billion to the NAFTA region and \$184 million to the DR-CAFTA region.
- Twenty-seven percent of Atlanta's merchandise exports go to NAFTA countries.

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