California and the World: Leading Export Markets

When measured as an independent country, California ranks as the fifth largest economy in the world. In 2019, state exports totaled 173.3 billion dollars to 229 foreign economies, according to the state chamber of commerce. Ten of the 15 leading export markets are Pacific Rim countries. High technology related industries accounted for approximately 65% of these exports. This includes computers, electrical and industrial machinery, medical equipment, aircraft, and vehicles. Agricultural products are another source of vital export income.

**Image right:** Large container ships help the products made in California to be sent all over the world. These ships are at the Port of Oakland, where large cranes make unloading and loading the ships efficient. The containers can also be transported on land using trains and trucks.