

# Illinois - Business Strength in Numbers

## Exporting is a significant portion of Illinois' Economy

- Since 2002, Illinois exports have grown \$24 billion
- Illinois exports totaled over \$50 billion in 2010, a 20.3% increase over 2009, ranking as the #1 state for exports in the Midwest and as the 6th largest exporting state in the US
- Direct exports accounted for 7.7% of the Gross State Product (GSP) in 2010
- Illinois ranks #1 between the Coasts for exports and # 1 in the Midwest
- 632,800 Illinois jobs were supported by exports in 2010



## Foreign Direct Investment

- Illinois ranks #1 in the Midwest as a destination for foreign investment
- Illinois has attracted 1,596 foreign firms with 5,744 locations
- These firms employ over 288,700 Illinois residents

## Illinois and NAFTA

- Illinois has realized significant benefits from NAFTA related trade
- Canada and Mexico are Illinois' two largest trading partners importing approximately 38% of Illinois' total exports
- Illinois exports totaled more than \$19.3 billion to NAFTA country partners in 2010

## Top 10 Countries for Illinois' Exports (Billions)

COUNTRY	2010
Canada	\$15.02
Mexico	\$ 4.27
China (mainland)	\$ 3.18
Australia	\$ 2.37
Germany	\$ 2.19
Brazil	\$ 2.07
Japan	\$ 1.84
United Kingdom	\$ 1.69
Belgium	\$ 1.16
Netherlands	\$ 1.15

**TOTAL (all countries)** **\$50.06**

Export Data Source: WISER Origin of Movement Series

Foreign Direct Investment Data Source: Dunn & Bradstreet

## Top 5 Industries for Illinois' Exports (Billions)

INDUSTRY	2010
Machinery (Except Electrical)	\$12.49
Computers, Electronic Products & Equipment	\$ 8.13
Chemicals	\$ 6.48
Transportation Equipment	\$ 5.33
Agricultural, Food & Kindred Products	\$ 4.09

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