

# ALABAMA & CANADA

## An integrated economy



Photo: Epsilon Industries

### Creating job opportunities in Tuscaloosa

**Epsilon Industries**, a Canadian manufacturer of modular construction systems, plans to open a production facility in Tuscaloosa, creating 180 new jobs. The total investment is expected to reach \$3 million and will be in an existing building in the Tuscaloosa County Airport Industrial Park, to produce prefabricated modular utility systems. The project is expected to create 180 jobs for numerous positions that include boilermakers, pipefitters, pipe welders, structural welders, electricians, mechanical and electrical engineers, and general laborers. "Epsilon Industries is a welcome addition to Alabama's business community, and I look forward to seeing how the company's investment project positively impacts Tuscaloosa's economy," said Greg Canfield, Secretary of the Alabama Department of Commerce. Furthermore, Tuscaloosa Mayor Walt Maddox said that the addition of Epsilon Industries to Tuscaloosa's thriving manufacturing ecosystem will provide new high paying jobs and opportunities for hundreds of his citizens."



123 Canadian-owned companies employ **11,850 workers** in Alabama

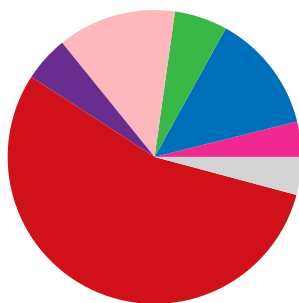


Canada is the **#2 export market** for Alabama

Alabama exports **\$3.9 billion** in goods to Canada annually

### Alabama exports \$400 million in services to Canada, including

Travel (including for education).....	\$100 million
Business services.....	\$92 million
Financial services.....	\$92 million
Charges for the use of intellectual property.....	\$60 million
Maintenance & repair services.....	\$23 million



**Goods exports by industry**

- Chemicals (4%)
- Equipment & machinery (13%)
- Forest products (6%)
- Minerals & metals (13%)
- Plastics & rubbers (5%)
- Transportation (55%)
- Other (4%)

### Top Alabama goods exports to Canada

Automobiles.....	\$1.6 billion
Iron & steel alloys & semi-finished products.....	\$218 million
Aircraft & parts.....	\$210 million
Paper & paperboard.....	\$172 million
Plastics & plastic articles.....	\$143 million
Trucks.....	\$140 million
Engines & turbines.....	\$113 million
Iron & steel tubes, pipes & sheets.....	\$91 million
Aluminum & aluminum articles.....	\$85 million
Optical, medical & precision instruments.....	\$77 million



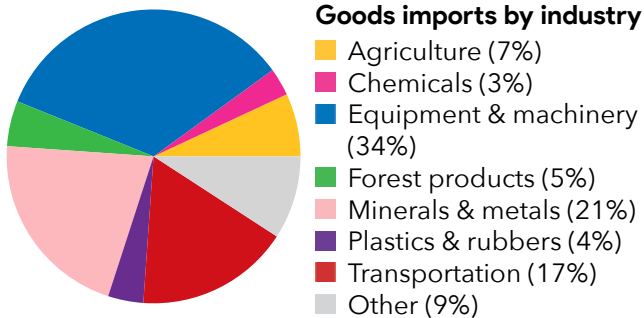
Photo: Li-Cycle

## Contributing to the evolving auto industry

**Li-Cycle**, an industry leader in lithium-ion battery resource recovery and the leading lithium-ion battery recycler in North America, has started commercial operations at its Alabama Spoke location in Tuscaloosa. The 100,000 square foot facility (with an additional approximately 120,000 square feet in warehousing capacity) has created 45 new jobs. The strategically located facility enhances the Toronto firm’s ability to support the recycling needs of the company’s growing battery supply customer base in the southeastern U.S. region. Li-Cycle is creating an essential domestic supply of recycled material to support EV production and assist automakers in meeting their domestic production content requirements. The development of the EV supply chain in the region continues to accelerate as battery and automotive manufacturers establish operations. This growth is expected to continue to produce a significant amount of battery production scrap and end-of life batteries that will require recycling. “Li-Cycle’s new battery recycling facility in Tuscaloosa adds a dynamic new dimension to Alabama’s evolving auto industry,” Alabama Governor Kay Ivey said. “This facility will play an important role in the lifecycle of batteries powering electric vehicles by contributing an innovative sustainability solution.”

## Alabama

**imports \$3.4 billion**  
in goods from Canada annually



## Top Alabama goods imports from Canada

Engines & turbines.....	\$641 million
Aluminum & aluminum articles.....	\$372 million
Motor vehicle parts.....	\$230 million
Animal or vegetable fats, oils & waxes.....	\$154 million
Aircraft & parts.....	\$141 million
Plastics & plastic articles.....	\$132 million
Furniture & bedding.....	\$97 million
Iron & steel alloys & semi-finished products...	\$77 million
Softwood lumber.....	\$75 million
Zinc & zinc articles.....	\$53 million

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Sources: All figures are in U.S. dollars. Unless otherwise specified, all figures are based on 2023 data. **U.S. Census Bureau:** goods trade, Canada’s export ranking (2/2024 release). **Trade Partnership:** 2022 services trade (2/2024 release). **Dun & Bradstreet:** Canadian-owned businesses operating in the U.S. (12/2023 release). Figures may not add up due to rounding. Produced by the Embassy of Canada in Washington, D.C.

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