

COLORADO & CANADA

An integrated economy



Canada's booth at the Space Symposium

Showcasing Canadian aerospace excellence at the Space Symposium

The annual **Space Symposium** in Colorado Springs is a premier international gathering for the military, civil, and commercial space sectors, drawing over 10,000 attendees from 40+ countries in 2024.

Canada was represented by 27 Canadian companies, participating alongside the **Canadian Space Agency**, the **Department of National Defence**, and leading aerospace firms. The Canada Space Pavilion, organized by the Consulate General of Canada in Denver, facilitated key engagements with **Lockheed Martin Space**, **General Atomics**, and **Blue Origin**.

Through years of matchmaking efforts at the symposium, the Consulate has helped secure new commercial partnerships, supporting high-quality jobs in both Colorado and Canada, while strengthening North American aerospace collaboration.

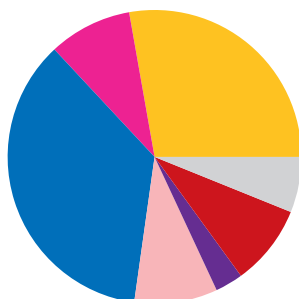


475 Canadian-owned companies employ 22,250 workers in Colorado



Canada is the #2 export market for Colorado

Colorado
exports \$1.6 billion
in goods to Canada annually



Goods exports by industry

- Agriculture (28%)
- Chemicals (9%)
- Equipment & machinery (36%)
- Minerals & metals (9%)
- Plastics & rubbers (3%)
- Transportation (9%)
- Other (6%)

Colorado exports \$1.6 billion in services to Canada, including

Travel (including for education).....	\$493 million
Business services.....	\$441 million
Telecommunications & information services...	\$280 million
Charges for the use of intellectual property....	\$147 million
Transport.....	\$114 million

Top Colorado goods exports to Canada

■ Animal meats.....	\$375 million
■ Optical, medical & precision instruments.....	\$127 million
■ Engines & turbines.....	\$125 million
■ Iron & steel tubes, pipes & sheets.....	\$74 million
■ Aircraft & parts.....	\$53 million
■ Organic chemicals.....	\$46 million
■ Telephones & AV recording equipment.....	\$41 million
■ Plastics & plastic articles.....	\$39 million
■ Trucks.....	\$36 million
■ Natural gas & other gases.....	\$32 million



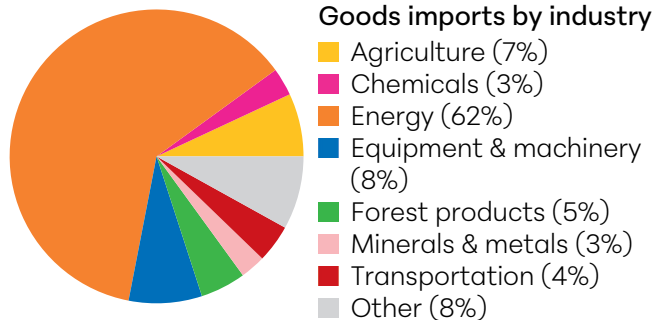
Photo: Summit Nanotech

Canadian cleantech leader expands to Colorado

Summit Nanotech, a Calgary-based innovator in sustainable lithium extraction, has expanded to Lafayette, Colorado, strengthening North American supply chains for critical minerals. The company's breakthrough direct lithium extraction process eliminates evaporation ponds and large chemical refineries, reducing both environmental impact and production costs.

With a \$50 million investment in Colorado, along with multiple industry accolades—including recognition as a 2024 Global Cleantech 100 company—Summit Nanotech is scaling global manufacturing capabilities while advancing clean energy solutions. This expansion reinforces the Canada–U.S. partnership in critical minerals, supporting the clean energy transition and high-quality jobs in both countries.

Colorado imports \$5.4 billion in goods from Canada annually



Top Colorado goods imports from Canada

Crude petroleum.....	\$3.3 billion
Wood & semi-finished wood products.....	\$179 million
Furniture & bedding.....	\$104 million
Aircraft & parts.....	\$101 million
Optical, medical & precision instruments.....	\$94 million
Plastics & plastic articles.....	\$89 million
Animal meats.....	\$82 million
Organic chemicals.....	\$78 million
Pasta, breads & cereal preparations.....	\$75 million
Softwood lumber.....	\$72 million

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Sources: All figures are in U.S. dollars. Unless otherwise specified, all figures are based on 2024 data. **U.S. Census Bureau:** goods trade, Canada's export ranking (2/2025 release). **Trade Partnership:** 2023 services trade (12/2024 release). **Dun & Bradstreet:** Canadian-owned businesses operating in the U.S. (2/2025 release). Figures may not add up due to rounding. Produced by the Embassy of Canada in Washington, D.C.

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