

IDAHO & CANADA

An integrated economy



Connecting through agri-food business

Canada's **McCain Foods** recently completed a \$200 million expansion project of its Burley, Idaho distribution center. The expansion increased annual French fry capacity by more than 400 million pounds and created more than 180 new production jobs. The facility now produces and distributes more than 4.7 million pounds of potatoes across North America daily and employs more than 730 people.

This investment occurred in the same year that Idaho's **J.R. Simplot** completed a \$460 million expansion that doubled the size of their potato plant in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. The expansions by McCain Foods and Simplot represent a growing trend of Canadian and Idaho agri-food/potato supply chains becoming increasingly connected.

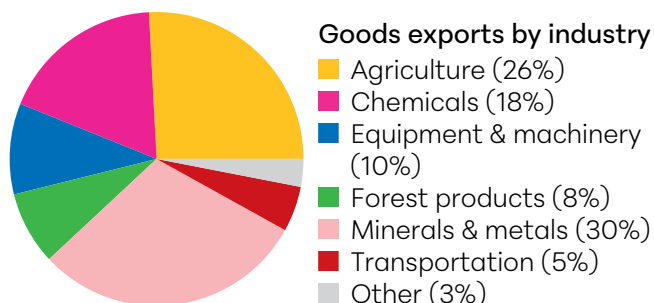


104 Canadian-owned companies employ 1,750 workers in Idaho



Idaho sells more goods to Canada (its #1 export market) than to its next six largest foreign markets combined

Idaho
exports \$1.6 billion
in goods to Canada annually



Idaho exports \$265 million in services to Canada, including

Travel (including for education).....	\$104 million
Business services.....	\$48 million
Transport.....	\$44 million
Charges for the use of intellectual property.....	\$26 million
Financial services.....	\$21 million

Top Idaho goods exports to Canada

Ores, slag & ash.....	\$268 million
Fertilizers.....	\$212 million
Pearls, gems, precious metals & jewelry.....	\$203 million
Live animals.....	\$128 million
Wood & semi-finished wood products.....	\$103 million
Prepared vegetables.....	\$54 million
Inorganic chemicals.....	\$51 million
Pasta, breads & cereal preparations.....	\$50 million
Agricultural machinery.....	\$48 million
Dairy products, eggs & honey.....	\$44 million



Stibnite Gold project pit. Photo: Perpetua Resources

Canada invests in Idaho

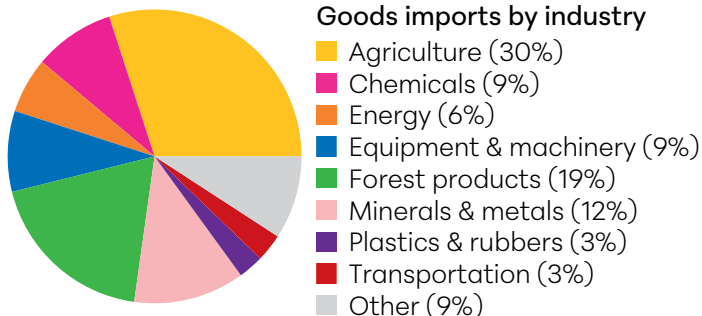
Trade with Canada supports **39,400 employees in Idaho** in addition to the **1,750 employees** at Canadian-owned businesses across the state. In addition, Idaho exports \$1.9 billion in goods and services to Canada.

Canadian-owned companies, including **Cyprus Thompson Creek Mining, Nu-West Industries, Galena Mine** and **Conrad & Bischoff**, are major contributors to Idaho's economy. They employ residents in every sector and contribute to the local economy with salary dollars, paying local taxes, and the purchase of goods and services in their supply chain.

Mined in the U.S.

The Stibnite Gold Project, which is located in central Idaho, approximately 10 miles east of Yellow Pine, will redevelop a site abandoned after 100 years and provide long-term economic benefits, such as employment & business opportunities, to rural communities in Central Idaho. The project's parent company, **Perpetua Resources**, is based in Vancouver. The company plans to invest more than \$1 billion in Idaho and directly employ 500 individuals over the project's 20-year lifespan. The significant gold and antimony resources at Stibnite are what make the restoration of the site possible.

Idaho imports \$1.6 billion in goods from Canada annually



Top Idaho goods imports from Canada

Prepared vegetables.....	\$213 million
Wood & semi-finished wood products.....	\$140 million
Pearls, gems, precious metals & jewelry.....	\$126 million
Animal feed & food industry residues.....	\$89 million
Wood pulp.....	\$78 million
Softwood lumber.....	\$71 million
Inorganic chemicals.....	\$67 million
Fertilizers.....	\$53 million
Plastics & plastic articles.....	\$51 million
Animal or vegetable fats, oils & waxes.....	\$46 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). **Business Roundtable**: state jobs from Canada-U.S. trade (2018, 10/2020 release). Figures may not add up due to rounding. Produced by the Embassy of Canada in Washington, D.C.


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