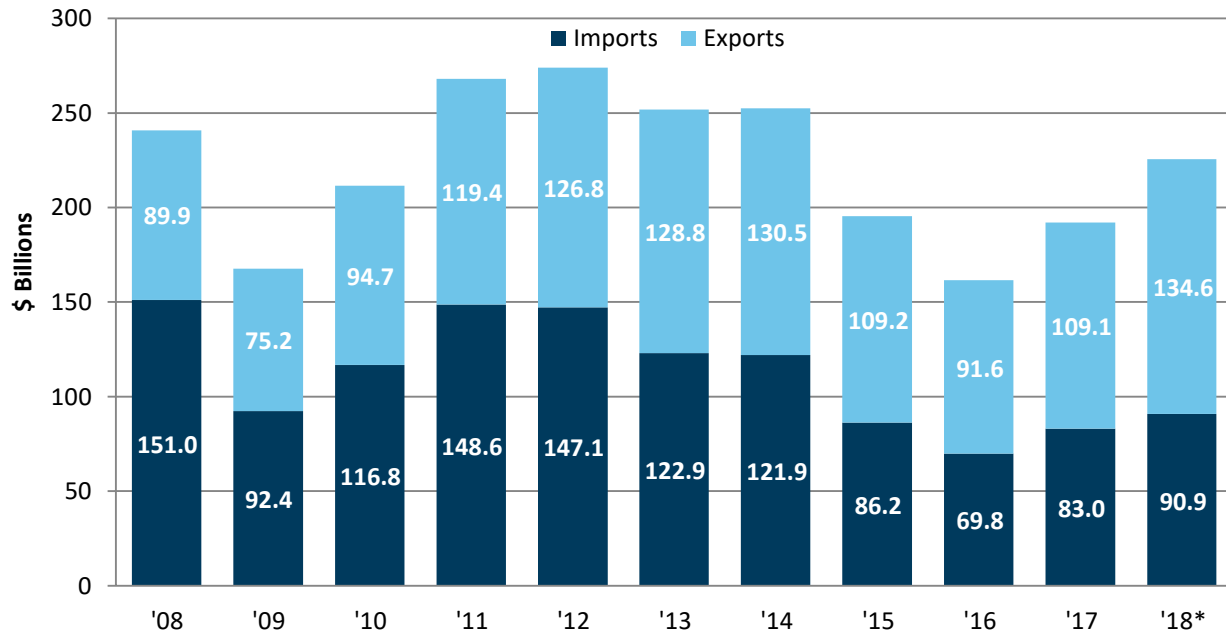


Foreign Trade

More than \$192 billion in foreign trade passed the Houston-Galveston Customs District in '17, making it the seventh busiest in the U.S.

Houston-Galveston Customs District Trade



* 12-months ending Sep '18

Source: WISERTrade from U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Division data

The Houston-Galveston Customs District includes the ports of Houston, Galveston, Freeport, Texas City, Corpus Christi, Port Lavaca, Bush Intercontinental Airport and Sugar Land Regional Airport

- Thirty-nine countries logged more than \$1 billion each in trade through the Houston-Galveston Customs District in '17. Houston's top 10 trading partners are Mexico (\$20.0 billion), China (\$18.8 billion), Brazil (\$12.8 billion), Germany (\$9.6 billion), the Netherlands (\$8.5 billion), South Korea (\$6.7 billion), Japan (\$6.4), Saudi Arabia (\$5.6 billion), the United Kingdom (\$5.5) and Colombia (\$5.2 billion).
- Imports totaled \$83.0 billion in '17. The top five imports were mineral fuels, oil, and refined products (\$25.2 billion), industrial equipment and computers (\$10.5 billion), articles or iron or steel (\$6.8 billion), motor vehicles and parts (\$5.2 billion) and electrical machinery, equipment, and parts (\$4.5 billion).
- Exports totaled \$109.1 billion in '17. Leading exports included mineral fuels, oil, and refined products (\$50.7 billion), organic chemicals (\$12.8 billion), industrial equipment and computers (\$9.4 billion), plastics and plastic products (\$7.0 billion) and electrical machinery, equipment and parts (\$3.7 billion).
- Oil and gas trade increased in both volume and value, driving the 19.0 increase in the overall value from '16 to '17. Exports climbed 19.1 percent and imports 18.8 percent.
- In the 12 months ending September '18, \$225.5 billion in goods and commodities passed through the district, up 23.7 percent over comparable period ending September '17. Imports are up 13.6 percent, while exports have climbed 31.7 percent during the same period.