

USA Import and Export Activity
The Atlas of Economic Complexity

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Example List 1

Best Guess	Correct Answer	Countries	List of Main Imports to the United States
		CANADA	
		CHINA	
		JAPAN	
		MEXICO	

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		ARGENTINA	
		AUSTRALIA	
		BELGIUM	
		COSTA RICA	
		COTE D'IVOIRE	
		KUWAIT	
		NORWAY	
		SOUTH KOREA	
		SRI LANKA	
		SUDAN	

List 2

Best Guess	Correct Answer	Countries	List of Main Imports to the United States
		BRAZIL	
		DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	
		FRANCE	
		NEW ZEALAND	
		QATAR	
		SOUTH AFRICA	
		SPAIN	
		SWITZERLAND	
		VIETNAM	
		ZIMBABWE	

Example List 2

Best Guess	Correct Answer	Countries	List of Main Imports to the United States
		What Southwest Asian country?	
		What Western European country?	

List 3

Best Guess	Correct Answer	Countries	List of Main Imports to the United States
		CHILE	
		CUBA	
		GERMANY	
		INDIA	
		ITALY	
		KENYA	
		MONGOLIA	
		NIGERIA	
		PAPUA NEW GUINEA	
		POLAND	

List 4

Best Guess	Correct Answer	Countries	List of Main Imports to the United States
		BANGLADESH	
		IRAN	
		ISRAEL	
		MADAGASCAR	
		NETHERLANDS	
		PORTUGAL	
		RUSSIA	
		SAUDI ARABIA	
		SINGAPORE	
		VENEZUELA	

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EXPORTS

Where did the United States **export** to in 2014? (Top Ten) Explain why these countries are in the top ten.

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
Explanation				

What did the United States **export** in 2014? List and describe (if necessary) 12 of the top exported items.

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9
10	11	12

How has **exports** from the United States changed (or stayed the same) between 1995 to 2014?

List of Main Exports in 1995 with Percentages:	List of Main Exports in 2014 with Percentages:
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
Trend over time...	

Explain why the United States **exports** the types of products it **exports**. Discuss two examples.

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IMPORTS

Where did the United States **import** from in 2014? (Top Ten) Explain why these countries are in the top ten.

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
Explanation				

What did the United States **import** in 2014? List and describe (if necessary) 12 of the top imported items.

1	2	3
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7	8	9
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How has **imports** to the United States changed (or stayed the same) between 1995 to 2014?

List of Main Imports in 1995 with Percentages:	List of Main Imports in 2014 with Percentages:
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
Trend over time...	

Explain why the United States **imports** the types of products it **imports**. Discuss two examples.

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COMPARISONS

Explain why Ireland exports (\$31.2B USD) more to the United States than it imports (\$7.3B USD) from the United States. Why doesn't Ireland buy more USA made products?

Explain why Denmark exports (\$7.08B USD) more to the United States than it imports (\$2.37B USD) from the United States. Why doesn't Denmark buy more USA made products?

Explain why ____ (select a country that fits this criteria other than a country in Europe) exports more to the United States than it imports from the United States.

Explain why there are several countries that have a trade surplus with the United States.

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DEVELOPMENT

A) Explain how the imports and exports may be different between developed and developing countries.

B) Discuss THREE specific examples.

1
2
3

C) Discuss ONE country whose SHARE of exports have changed significantly since 1995. (Stacked Graph)

D) Discuss ONE country whose SHARE of imports have changed significantly since 1995. (Stacked Graph)