### **EXPORT**



## UNITED

FRENCH EXPORTS (2018)



French
providers
exported to the
United States

€38.4 billion

in French goods exports to the United States

\_7+12.9% growth in French exports to the United States

**12** 8% of all French exports

#2
customer
for French
exports

## \_\_ FRENCH EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES

In 2018, 24,488 establishments exported to the United States from France. The value of their exports was €38.4 billion (8% of all French exports).

French exports to the United States benefited from the higher American growth rate in 2018 (2.8%), rising particularly strongly (+12.9%). The United States thereby came in front of France's key European trade partners, becoming the second largest customer for French exports after the German economy. The United States' share in French exports was 8%, receiving 92% of French exports to North America. The strong growth in exports, combined with a reduction in imports, enabled France's balance of trade to improve significantly towards this market, becoming positive in 2018.

France accounted for 2.1% of global exports to the United States in 2018, which remains lower than its share in global goods exports (3%). France was the United States' third largest European supplier in 2018, after Germany and the United Kingdom. (Cf. Fig. 1)

#### BREAKDOWN BY SECTOR OF FRENCH EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES

The three leading sectors for French exports to the United States in 2018 were transport equipment, which accounted for 30% of the total, machinery and equipment (16.6%) and agri-food (11.5%). (Cf. Fig. 2)

### **FRENCH EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES (€ BILLION)**



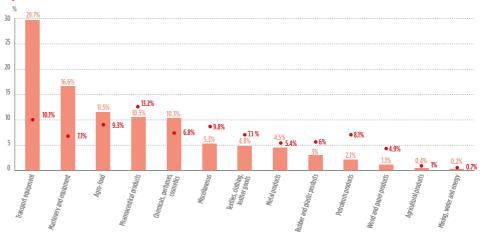
Source: French Customs Athorities, gross figures, FOB exclusing military equipment

The great majority of sectors experienced growth in their sales to the United States. The transport equipment sector in particular saw its exports grow by 25%, following the delivery of two ocean liners by the Saint-Nazaire shipyards and good performances by the aviation sector, while other sectors displayed double-digit growth rates.

The pharmaceutical industry increased sales by 32%, becoming the second largest export sector in France to the United States after aviation. After bad results in 2017, agricultural exports increased once again in 2018 (+16.5%), while the textiles and clothing sector saw sales rise by 12%.

The United States are a key trading partner for companies in the pharmaceutical industry, accounting for 13% of their foreign sales.

#### Hig. 2 BREAKDOWN BY SECTOR OF FRENCH EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES (2018)



■ Sector's share of all French exports to the United States • United State's share of total French exports in the sector

Source: French Customs Authorities, gross figures, FOB, excluding military equipment

FRENCH IMPORTS (2018)

€35.2 billion in American goods imports to France

growth in American imports to France

6.3% of all French imports

#6
supplier
of French
imports

CONTRIBUTION OF AMERICAN SUBSIDIARIES IN FRANCE (2018)

1,461
American
exporting
companies
in France

average export ratio of American exporting companies in France (export revenues as a proportion of total revenues)

# CONTRIBUTION OF AMERICAN SUBSIDIARIES IN FRANCE TO THE FRENCH ECONOMY

In 2018, 1,461 American subsidiaries in France exported part of their output. Together, these exports amounted to €29 billion and accounted, on average, for 27% of total company revenues. The firms' main target was Germany, followed by their source country. Germany received 17% of the exports of American subsidiaries in France, while the United States received 12%.

#### American subsidiaries:

- / Employed 380,800 people, 21% of the workforce of all foreign-owned companies in France. (Insee, 2016)
- / Accounted for 21% of the revenues of all foreign-owned companies in France. (Orbis, 2018)
- / Generated 26% of the export revenues of all foreign-owned companies in France. (Orbis, 2018)

#### MAIN EXPORT DESTINATIONS FOR AMERICAN SUBSIDIARIES ESTABLISHED IN FRANCE (2018)

TOP 10 DESTINATION COUNTRIES	€	%
Germany	3,904,823,315	14%
United States	3,255,545,509	11%
United Kingdom	2,125,343,449	7%
Belgium	2,097,177,471	7%
Netherlands	2,083,406,833 7%	
Spain	1,793,275,343	6%
Italy	1,442,568,618	5%
China	1,005,622,452	4%
Poland	700,346,783	2%
Switzerland	582,793,404	2%
Total	28,625,012,343	100%

Source: French Customs Authorities; French Treasury Directorate calculations

## TOP FIVE AMERICAN EXPORTERS IN FRANCE (2018)

French subsidiary	Economic activity	Share of export revenues
ESSO S.A.	Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas	N/A
LILLY FRANCE S.A.S.	Manufacture of pharmaceutical preparations	80%-90%
GE MEDICAL SYSTEMS	Manufacture of irradiation and electromedical equipment	70%-80%
EXXONMOBIL CHEMICAL FRANCE	Manufacture of plastics in primary forms	50%-60%
LUBRIZOL FRANCE	Manufacture of other chemical products	N/A

Sources: French Customs Authorities ranking of exporting companies; Orbis Key: In 2018, Esso S.A. was the leading exporter among American subsidiaries in France.