

British Columbia's exports include a wide variety of goods originating from its farms, food & beverages processing and fishing industries.

- Agrifood, processed food & beverages, and seafood exports performed stronger than overall B.C. exports in 2022.
- All major sectors of B.C. agriculture have products listed in the ranking of top exported items.

EXPORT KEY FACTS for 2022

- ❖ **B.C. Exports (all industries): \$64.9 billion**
- ❖ **B.C. Agrifood, Processed Food & Beverages, and Seafood Exports: \$6.16 billion**
- ❖ **Share of B.C. Agriculture & Food in Provincial Exports: 9.5%**

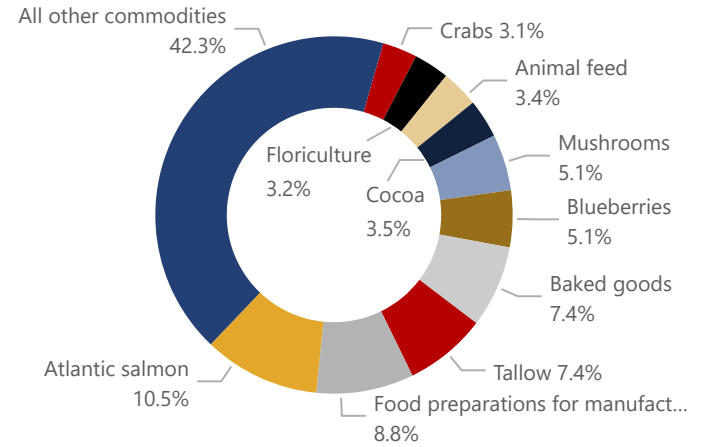
PERFORMANCE

- B.C.'s total agrifood, processed food & beverages and seafood exports reached a dollar figure of \$6.16 billion in 2022 (+20.5% from 2021).
- Agrifood, processed food & beverage exports were \$4.61 billion (23.7% from 2021) while primary and processed seafood exports were \$1.55 billion (+12.0% from 2021).
- The number of nations to which B.C. exported agri-food products in 2022 was 143, down 10 nations compared to the previous year.
- Fruits and nuts were the leading group among non-seafood products, with \$598 million exported, followed by bread and baked goods (\$577 million). Vegetables ranked third, with \$484 million in 2022.
- Primary and processed seafood exports' annual growth of 12.0% in 2022 was led by halibut, shrimp and Atlantic salmon.
- Atlantic salmon tops the list of the seafood industry's most exported products, with more than \$700 million in sales, approximately half of this group's total exports.

DESTINATIONS

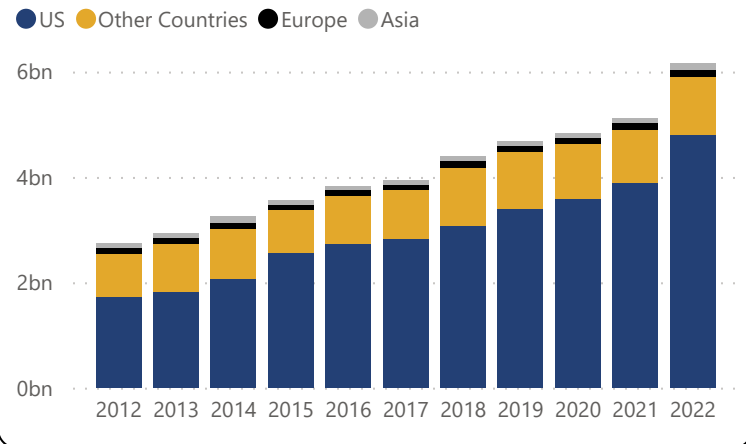
- Exports to the US comprised 81.3% of total B.C. agricultural exports and 67.8% of seafood product exports. There was a 23.7% increase in agricultural products and 12.0% increase in seafood exports.
- Leading products of B.C. agriculture exports to the US were animal fats and oils, grains and pastas, fresh vegetables. Fresh Atlantic salmon, salmon fillets, and fresh halibut were the top exports among seafood.
- Japan (3.6% share), South Korea (2.9%), China (2.6%), and Australia (1.1%) saw the largest increase in B.C. agricultural (non-seafood) product exports.
- China is the second largest buyer of B.C. seafood products (after the US) with 18.3% of the share in value. Sales to China were +24.5% higher in 2022, having live crabs, fresh clams, frozen shrimp and prawns as highlights.
- Japan (5.3% share of seafood exports), Hong Kong (2.0%) and Lithuania (1.1%) complete the Top Five list in B.C. seafood products destination. Ukraine is down one spot (to 6th place), after a 60.9% reduction in trade was recorded in 2022.

Top 10 Exported Commodities by Value (2022)



Source: B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and Food (Sector Tables 2023)

Agrifood, Processed Food & Beverages, and Seafood Exports by Destination



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