

## Missouri Depends on World Markets

Missouri exports through the 3rd quarter of 2009 totaled \$6.9 billion, according to WISERTrade data.

The state's largest foreign market was Canada, which purchased \$2.3 billion of Missouri goods, followed by Mexico (\$748 million), China (\$468 million), Japan (\$397 million), Germany (\$297 million), and the United Kingdom (\$217 million). South Korea, Brazil, Belgium, Singapore, Netherlands, Australia, and France all purchased more than \$100 million from Missouri businesses through the end of September.

Missouri's leading export products are transportation equipment (\$1.49 billion) and chemicals (\$1.4 billion). Machinery and food products topped \$500 million in foreign sales, while electrical equipment, computer & electronic products, fabricated metals, agricultural products, and minerals & ores all topped \$200 million in sales. Product categories with greater than \$100 million in exports sales through the 3rd quarter 2009 are listed in the chart below.



Source: WISERTrade

The continued global economic downturn has taken its toll on export sales, which are down from this time last year in all major product categories with the exception of food.