

# GERMANY

Germany is a Western European country with a landscape of forests, rivers, mountain ranges and North Sea beaches. It has a very ancient history.

Berlin is the capital which dates back to the 13<sup>th</sup> Century. The reminders of the city's turbulent 20<sup>th</sup> century history include its Holocaust memorial and the Berlin Wall's gratified remains.

Hamburg, Germany's second largest city is also "harbor to the world". Munich is a popular tourist destination. Cologne's landmark is the huge cathedral, the largest gothic church north of the Alps. Frankfurt is an important trade centre. Stuttgart is a major industrial region.

## Indian companies

Lupin Pharmaceuticals, Amtek India, Mahindra Group, Bharat Forge Group, Wipro, Infosys, Dr Reddy's Laboratories Ltd, Ranbaxy, Samtel, NIIT, Wockhardt, Graphite India Limited, Megasoft, Torrent Pharmaceutical, Tata Auto Component Systems, Bharat Forge Limited, Hexaware Technologies, Hinduja Group, Tooltech Software, Ocimum Biosolutions, Bharat Fritz Werner Ltd (BFW), Biocon, Lupin, IFGL Refractories, Kirloskar Electronic Company (KEC), 7 Seas Technologies Ltd, MKU Group, Kalyani Group, Sakthi-Group, Sintex Industries, Techno Life style, Kiri Dyes & Chemicals Ltd etc

Euro is the currency and German is the official language.

## Trade statistics:

### Indo-German Bilateral Trade (in Euro Billion)

	2013	2014	2015	2016 (Jan-Aug)
<b>Total Trade</b>	16.10	15.96	17.33	11.58
<b>Indian Exports</b>	6.91	7.03	7.56	5.18
<b>Indian Imports</b>	9.19	8.92	9.77	6.40
<b>Balance of Trade</b>	-2.28	-1.89	-2.21	-1.22

## India's Exports to Germany :

Textiles, Metal products, Electro technology, Leather and leather goods, food and beverages, machinery, pharmaceuticals, auto components, chemicals, gems and jewellery and rubber products.

## **India's Imports from Germany:**

Machinery, electro technology, metal and metal products, chemicals, auto components, measurement and control equipment, plastics, medical technology, pharmaceuticals, paper and printing material.

*(Source: Federal Statistical Office, Wiesbaden) - (Indian Embassy)*

## **Indian companies**

There are more than 200 Indian companies operating in Germany. Sectors of IT, automotive, pharma and biotech have received a chunk of Indian Investments. The penetration of Indian software companies in German market is growing and major Indian software providers like Infosys, WIPRO and TCS have operations in Germany. Companies like Bharat Forge Limited, Ranbaxy, Piramal, Samtel, Hexaware Technologies, NIIT, Graphite India Limited, Hinduja Group, Dr. Reddy's Laboratories, Biocon, Hindustan National Glass, Mahindra and others have either acquired German companies or started their own subsidiaries.

## **Clusters / important Sectors**

**BioCon Valley** BioCon Valley is the initiative for Life Science and health economy of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany.

**BioM** BioM Biotech Cluster Development GmbH coordinates the activities of the Munich Biotech Cluster and serves as the first contact point for firms and start-ups of the life science sector.

**BioPark Regensburg** The BioPark Regensburg GmbH consists of state-of-the-art laboratory space that meet clean-room air quality standards.

**Biosaxony** biosaxony is a strong and vital network - between politics, financial world, technology platforms and industry - It concentrates on biotechnological oriented research institutions and enterprises.

**Healthcare Industries Cluster** The region Berlin-Brandenburg is one of the internationally leading locations in life sciences and health economy sector.

**Heidelberg Technology Park** The Heidelberg Technology Park is a science park where effective joint projects can be realized through the cooperation of national research centres and international companies.

[BioCampus Cologne Grundbesitz GmbH & Co. KG](#); is one of the largest biotechnology parks in Germany, where numerous up-and-coming companies from the life science sector have settled.

**Chamber of Commerce & Industry**

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