

INDIA

Republic of India, this South Asian nation shares borders with China, Nepal and Bhutan to its north-east, Burma and Bangladesh to its east, and Pakistan to its west. India is a vast South Asian country with diverse terrain – from Himalayan peaks to Indian Ocean coastline – and history reaching back 5 millennia. In the north, Mughal Empire landmarks include Delhi's Red Fort complex and massive Jama Masjid mosque, plus Agra's iconic Taj Mahal.

New Delhi, India's capital and a political city. It is a massive metropolitan area in the country's north. In Old Delhi, a neighborhood dating to the 1600s, stands the imposing Mughal-era Red Fort, a symbol of India, and the sprawling Jama Masjid mosque, whose courtyard accommodates 25,000 people.

The currency is Indian rupee. The religions that are followed in India are Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism, others are Zoroastrianism, Christianity, Islam, Judaism etc.

India has a history of collaboration with several countries, is a component of the BRICS and a major part of the developing world.

Some of India's top import partners

1. United States: US\$40.4 billion (15.3% of total India exports)
2. United Arab Emirates: \$30.3 billion (11.5%)
3. Hong Kong: \$12.2 billion (4.6%)
4. China: \$9.5 billion (3.6%)
5. United Kingdom: \$8.9 billion (3.4%)
6. Singapore: \$7.8 billion (2.9%)
7. Germany: \$7 billion (2.7%)
8. Saudi Arabia: \$7 billion (2.6%)
9. Sri Lanka: \$5.5 billion (2.1%)
10. Bangladesh: \$5.5 billion (2.1%)
11. Vietnam: \$5.3 billion (2%)
12. Belgium: \$5 billion (1.9%)
13. Malaysia: \$4.9 billion (1.9%)
14. Netherlands: \$4.9 billion (1.8%)
15. France: \$4.8 billion (1.8%)

Three-fifths (60.2%) of Indian exports in 2015 were delivered to the above 15 trade partners.

Some of India's top export items

1. Gems, precious metals: US\$38.8 billion (14.7% of total exports)
2. Oil: \$30.9 billion (11.7%)
3. Vehicles: \$14.1 billion (5.3%)
4. Machines, engines, pumps: \$13.2 billion (5%)
5. Pharmaceuticals: \$12.5 billion (4.7%)
6. Organic chemicals: \$11.2 billion (4.3%)
7. Clothing (not knit or crochet): \$9.4 billion (3.5%)
8. Electronic equipment: \$7.9 billion (3%)

9. Knit or crochet clothing: \$7.8 billion (2.9%)
10. Cotton: \$7.5 billion (2.8%)

The above export product groups represent the highest dollar value in Indian global shipments during 2015. Also shown is the percentage share each export category represents in terms of overall exports from India.

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