



FLORIDA & CANADA

Partners in security & prosperity



Boeing P-8A. Photo: Royal Air Force/U.K. Department of Defense

Strengthening Canada–U.S. defense collaboration

Canadian defense procurement is strengthening U.S. and Canadian maritime security. In 2023, **Canada announced it would purchase up to 16 aircraft replacing the CP-140 Aurora.**

Currently, a Canadian crew, comprising eight members, including two pilots, two Air Combat Systems Officers and four Airborne Electronic Sensor Operators, are undergoing specialized training on the P-8A Poseidon at Naval Air Station Jacksonville, in Florida. They have already completed one year of intensive training, marking a major leap forward in Canada's ability to patrol and protect its vast maritime domains.

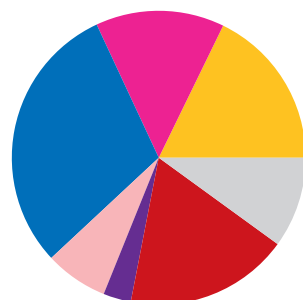
Shared training and common equipment mean Canada and the United States can respond quickly and effectively to surface and subsurface threats — a powerful example of partnership and trust to keep Americans and Canadians safe.



503 Canadian-owned companies employ 42,150 workers in Florida

Florida

exports \$5.4 billion
in goods to Canada annually



Goods exports by industry

- Agriculture (18%)
- Chemicals (14%)
- Equipment & machinery (30%)
- Minerals & metals (7%)
- Plastics & rubbers (3%)
- Transportation (18%)
- Other (10%)



Canada is the #3 export market for Florida

Florida exports \$4.8 billion in services to Canada, including

Travel (including for education).....	\$1.9 billion
Business services.....	\$1.4 billion
Charges for the use of intellectual property...	\$460 million
Transport.....	\$272 million
Insurance services.....	\$236 million

Top Florida goods exports to Canada

■ Aircraft & parts.....	\$727 million
■ Fertilizers.....	\$542 million
■ Engines & turbines.....	\$400 million
■ Optical, medical & precision instruments.....	\$301 million
■ Fruits & nuts.....	\$254 million
■ Vegetables.....	\$212 million
■ Pearls, gems, precious metals & jewelry.....	\$158 million
■ Fish & crustaceans.....	\$154 million
■ Plastics & plastic articles.....	\$133 million
■ Pharmaceutical products.....	\$98 million



Canada: Strengthening Florida’s economy and security

Canadian companies are investing and working in Florida to create skilled jobs and strengthening security for Americans. Canada’s **Octasic US**, which provides advanced intelligence solutions for U.S. defense operations, opened a Melbourne, FL facility to support next-generation technologies.

Meanwhile, **Mobile Police Training Structures Inc.** provided reconfigurable simulated environments to law enforcement agencies in Orlando, St. Petersburg, and Hillsborough County allowing for the creation of immersive and realistic training that leads to improved public safety.

By fostering innovation, strengthening defense capabilities, and building local expertise, Canada remains an indispensable partner for Florida’s prosperity and safety.

Canadian utility crews help Florida bounce back after hurricanes

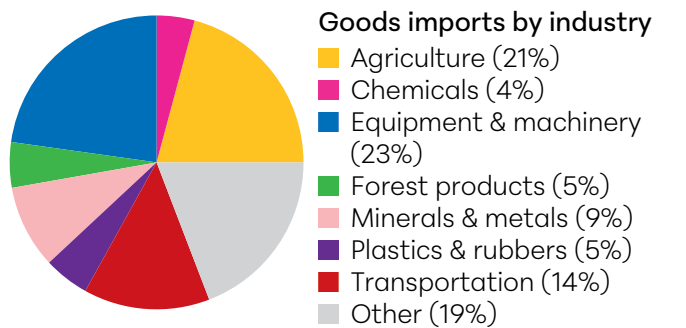
When Hurricanes Helene and Milton struck Florida in late 2024, millions of residents were left without power across the state. Communities in Tampa, Sarasota, Manatee, Hardee, and St. Lucie counties faced widespread outages, threatening hospitals, schools, and businesses. Florida utilities launched massive restoration efforts — but the scale of destruction called for reinforcements.

Canadian utilities answered Florida’s call. Crews from Ontario, Nova Scotia, Quebec, New Brunswick, and Alberta deployed hundreds of skilled line workers and support staff to help restore power quickly and safely.

Thanks to this international collaboration, Florida utilities restored service to millions of customers far ahead of schedule. Canadian crews brought not only technical expertise, but also hope to Floridians facing weeks of uncertainty.

This effort highlights the strength of Canada–U.S. partnerships and the resilience of our shared infrastructure. When disaster strikes, neighbors help neighbors.

Florida imports \$6.3 billion in goods from Canada annually



Top Florida goods imports from Canada

Aircraft & parts.....	\$710 million
Engines & turbines.....	\$370 million
Furniture & bedding.....	\$368 million
Pasta, breads & cereal preparations.....	\$264 million
Plastics & plastic articles.....	\$264 million
Optical, medical & precision instruments.....	\$186 million
Prepared vegetables.....	\$178 million
Fish & crustaceans.....	\$165 million
Salt, sulfur, earth & stone, lime & cement.....	\$138 million
Aluminum & aluminum articles.....	\$135 million

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Sources: All figures are in U.S. dollars. Unless otherwise specified, all figures are based on 2025 data. **U.S. Census Bureau:** goods trade, Canada’s export ranking (2/2026 release). **Trade Partnership Worldwide:** 2024 services exports (2/2026 release). **Dun & Bradstreet:** Canadian-owned businesses operating in the U.S. (2/2026 release). Figures may not add up due to rounding. Produced by the Embassy of Canada in Washington, D.C.

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