

Exports

€ 63.8 bn

In 2015, Catalan exports grew by 6.1%, with revenues reaching a total of 63.8 billion euros –the highest on record.

↑ 6.1%

A 6.1% rise in 2015 positions Catalonia's export growth rate above levels registered in the Spanish State (4.3%) and above the Eurozone average (4.2%).

25.5% 

The sale of goods and services outside of Catalonia represents 25.5% of all Spanish exports.

16,422 

2015 also registered the highest number of exporting companies in history, with 16,422 regular exporters (3% more than in 2014).

Leading sectors

Automotive industry	17.1% of total exports	+11.4%
Chemical products	17.1% of total exports	+3.4%
Food and Beverage industry	11.7% of total exports	+7.3%



Internationalisation and the attraction foreign investment are strategic priorities for the Government of Catalonia, carried out by a network of 36 Trade and Investment Offices around the world

Foreign investment

4th European region

International sources, such as the Financial Times, place Catalonia among the leading European regions in terms of FDI. According to FT, Catalonia was Europe's 4th region to attract the most foreign investment in 2015.

€ 4,78 bn

According to Spain's Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, Catalonia's productive foreign investment totalled 4.78 billion euros in 2015 (a 57.8% increase on the previous year).

22% of investment

In 2015, Catalonia attracted 22.0% of all foreign investment going to the Spanish State.

During the 2014-2015 period, the Catalan Government's agency responsible for foreign investment attraction, Catalonia Trade & Investment, put 112 investment projects into practice for multinational firms in Catalonia. This investment was worth 637.4 million euros and represented the creation and conservation of 10,152 jobs

38.4% of these foreign investment projects managed by Catalonia Trade & Investment were greenfield, in other words from multinationals with no prior presence in Catalonia