

Trade of Goods and Services Between the EU Member States and Japan 2021

(Based on statistics from the Japanese Ministry of Finance – Trade statistics of Japan)

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This report provides an overview of trade relations between the EU and Japan in 2021. The report begins by analysing Japanese trade with the EU as a whole and then provides a country-by-country analysis of export trade between Japan and individual EU Member States. The report focuses primarily on the balance of trade between Japan, the EU, and its constituent Member States, and also provides a breakdown of goods traded between Japan and EU by category (i.e. chemicals, manufactured goods, food and livestock, etc.) in each case. The report also covers data on trade of services. Finally, it mentions some information about commemorative events and bilateral agreements that have been signed in 2021 between each Member State and Japan.

The report is based on statistics from the Japanese Ministry of Finance – Trade statistics of Japan. Therefore, values are expressed in Yen. The average exchange rate between Euro and Japan yen were:

In 2021: EUR 1 = JPY 133.71

In 2020: EUR 1 = JPY 121.85

Some data from Eurostat related to Member States' GDP were still provisional at the time of the report creation.

The European Commission annually releases a report titled “European Union, Trade in goods with Japan”, expressed in Euro and covering the past decade providing the EU point of view of trade between the two areas.

The pdf version of the latest report is available here:

https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/isdb_results/factsheets/country/details_japan_en.pdf



EUROPEAN UNION (EU-27)

Population 1st Jan. 21: 447,007,596 (-0.1%)
GDP: 14,447,940 million € (+8.7% in 2021)

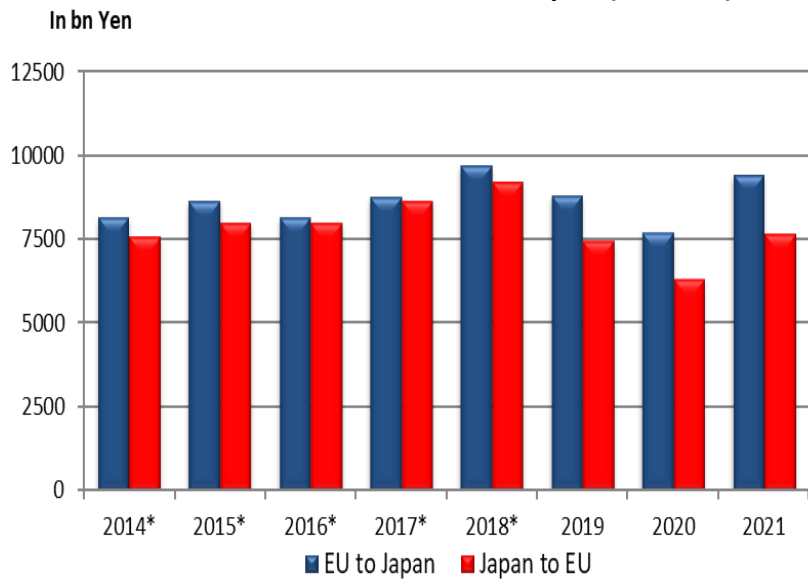
In 2021, trade between the EU and Japan recorded a significant increment, with a 21% increase in Japanese exports, up to 7668 billion yen, and a 22% increase in EU exports, up to 9412 billion yen. Overall, 2021 was a good year for most of the Member States whose trading with Japan recovered to pre-covid 2019's values.

EU main exports were chemicals (33.6%), and machinery & transport equipment (32%). Chemicals taking over the leading position with a 26% increase, while the machinery & transport equipment sector obtained a 22% growth compared to 2020.

Japan mostly exported machinery & transport equipment (63%) with an increase of 17% and chemicals (13%) that increased by 23%.

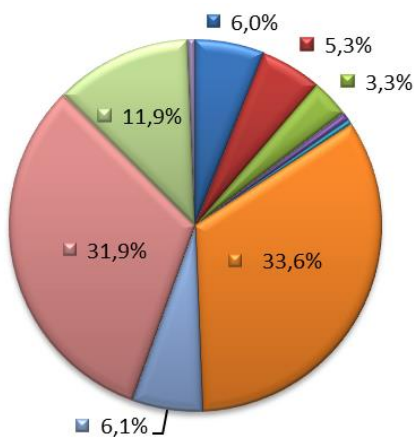
30 June 2021, Japan and the European Union exchanged diplomatic notes confirming the completion of their respective internal procedures necessary for the entry into force of the Agreement on Civil Aviation Safety between Japan and the European Union (Japan-EU Bilateral Aviation Safety Agreement (BASA)).¹

Trade between the EU-27 and Japan (2014-21)

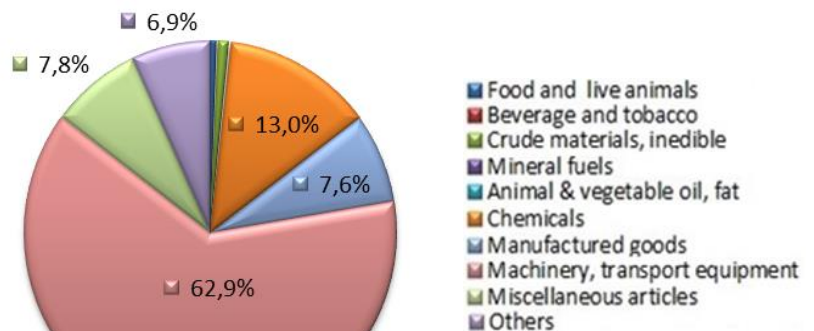


*Data for 2014-2018 include the United Kingdom. 2019-2021 are EU-27.

EU exports to Japan



Japan exports to EU



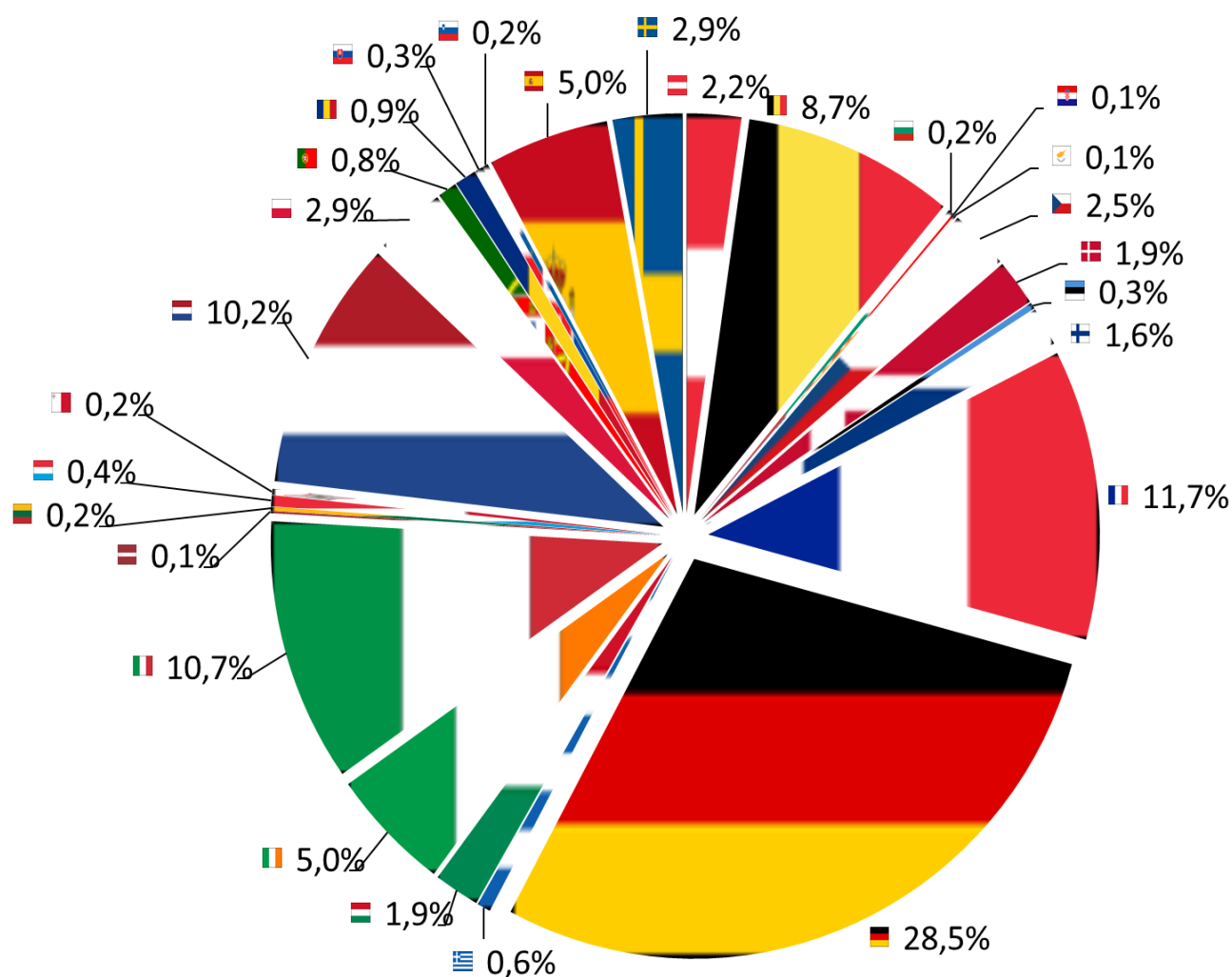
¹ https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/press4e_003016.html

EU MEMBERS STATES AND JAPAN

Main EU partners (2021)

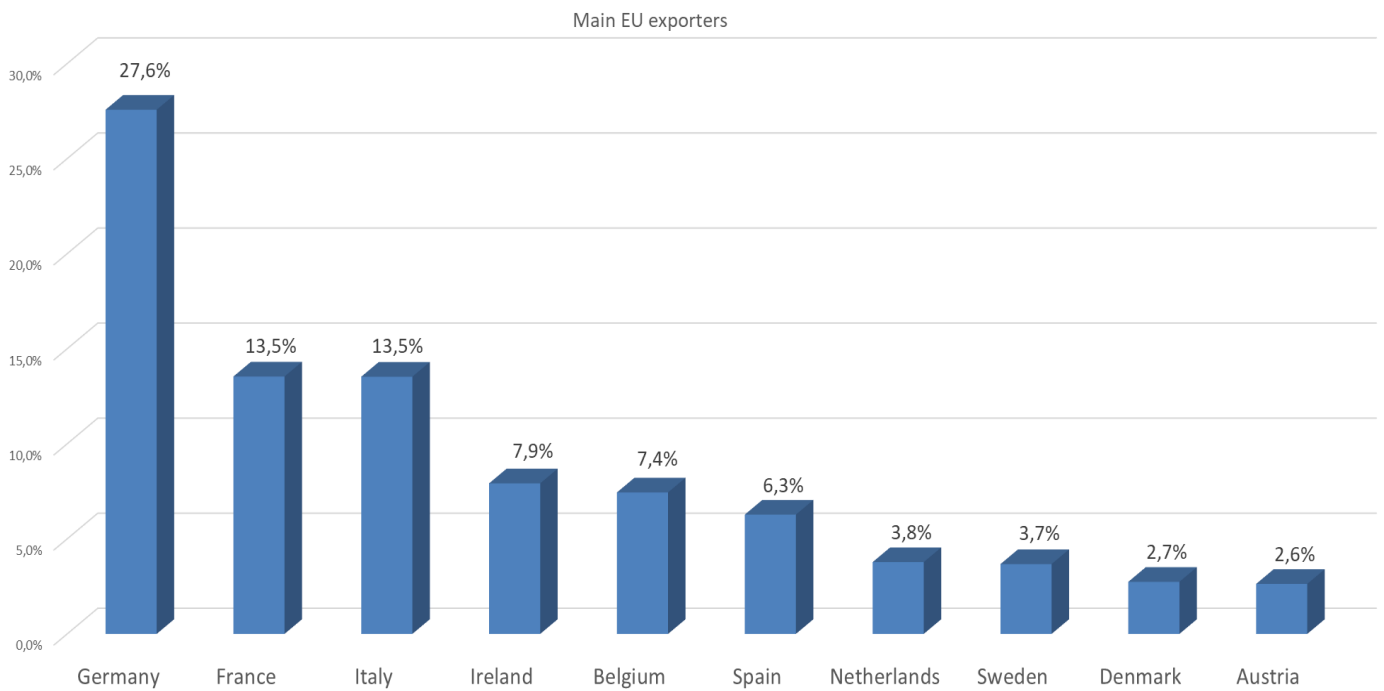
(In % of the total EU trade with Japan)

1. Germany (28.5%) unchanged from 2020	6. Ireland (5%) unchanged from 2020
2. France (11.7%) unchanged from 2020	7. Spain (5%) unchanged from 2020
3. Italy (10.7%) unchanged from 2020	8. Poland (2.9%) up one's place from 2020
4. The Netherlands (10.2%) unchanged from 2020	9. Sweden (2.9%) down one's place from 2020
5. Belgium (8.7%) unchanged from 2020	10. Czechia (2.5%) up one's place from 2020



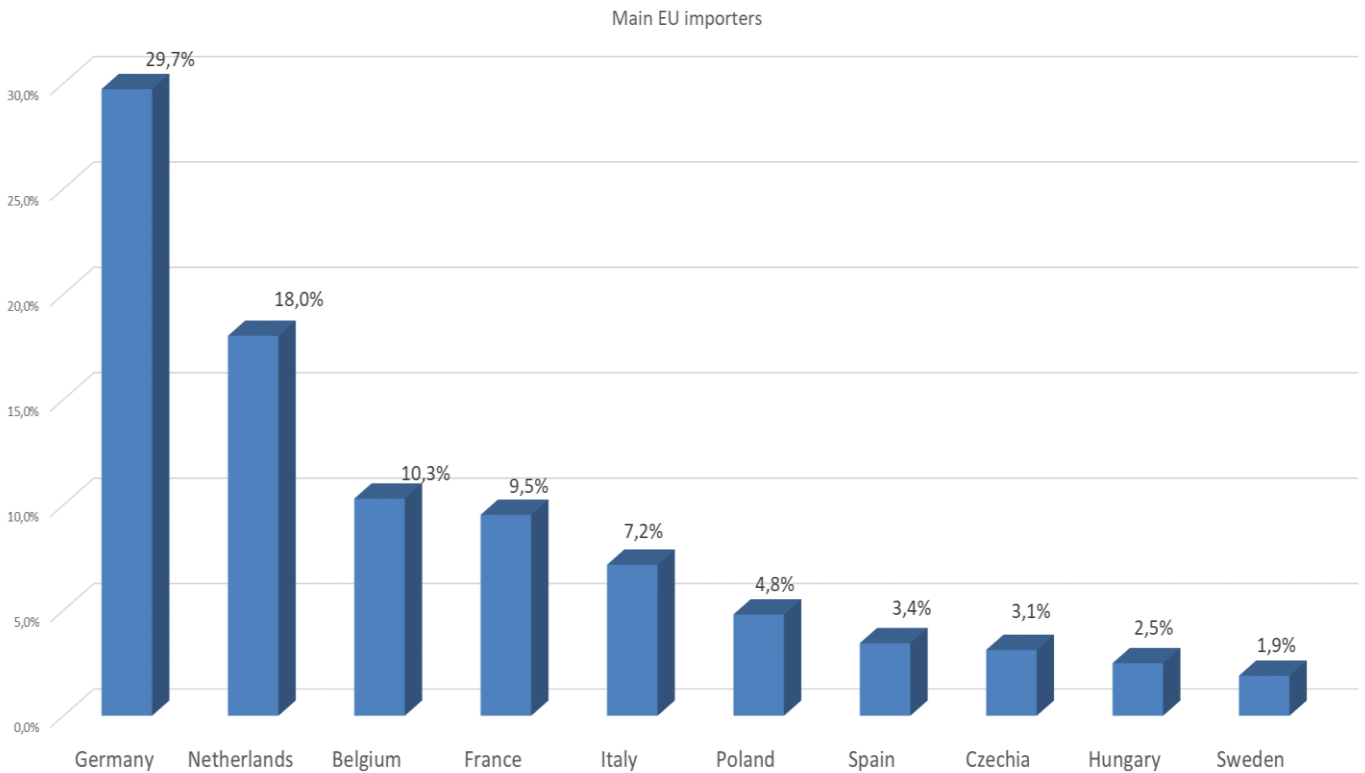
Main EU exporters (2021)

(In % of the total EU export to Japan)

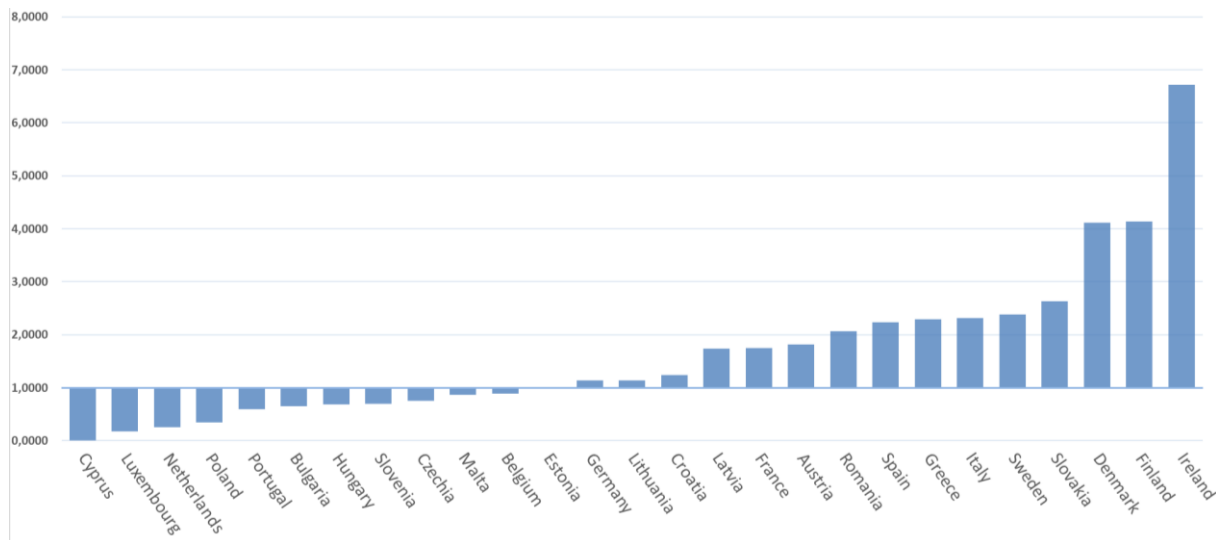


Main EU importers (2021)

(In % of the total EU imports from Japan)



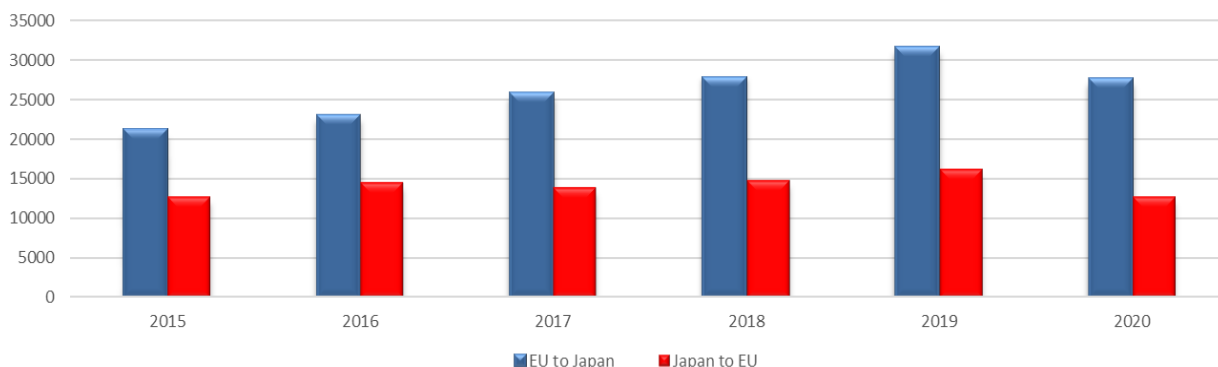
Balance of trade Member States – Japan: export to import ratio (2021)



This graph represents the export to import ratio between the EU Member States and Japan in 2021. Values higher than 1 indicate a positive trade balance whereas values smaller than 1 indicate a negative trade balance.

According to the data, most EU countries recorded a positive balance in their trade with Japan in 2021. Cyprus is the EU country with the least exports to Japan while highly depending on imports which is reflected in the lowest ratio of all Member States. Luxembourg and Netherlands also have a significant trade balance deficit with Japan although the reason might be linked to their hub status, imports being then dispatched to nearby countries. On the other hand, Ireland, Finland, and Denmark record the highest ratio reflecting a very positive trade balance.

Trade of services between EU-27 and Japan (2015-2020)



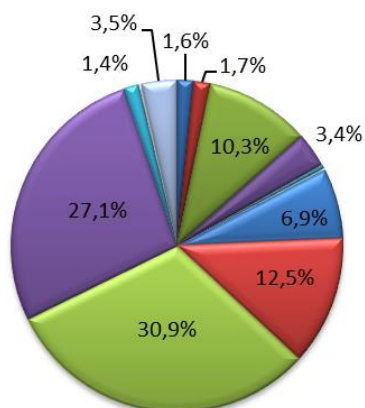
This graph represents the import and export of services between the EU-27 Member States and Japan between 2015 and 2020. The data for 2021 is not available from Eurostat at the time of this report creation.

During the period, the data show a contraction in trade of services between the two areas. In 2020 EU-27 countries provided services in Japan for a total value of 27 Billion euros (a 12.7% decrease compared to 2019), while Japan's services toward the EU-27 amounted to 12 Billion euros with a substantial decrease of nearly 22%.

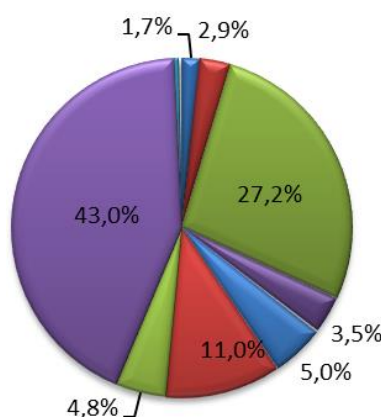
EU-27 countries' main services provided to Japan included telecommunications, computer, and information services (31%) with an increase of 21.6%, other business services (27%) increasing by 2.3%, and transport (10,3%) that recorded a 32.3% decrease.

Japan service exports are essentially composed of other business services (43%) decreasing by 6.2% compared to 2019, transport (27.2%) with a contraction of 10.8%, and charges for the use of intellectual property (11%).

EU exports to Japan



Japan exports to EU



- Services: Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others
- Services: Maintenance and repair services n.i.e.
- Services: Transport
- Services: Travel
- Services: Construction
- Services: Insurance and pension services
- Services: Financial services
- Services: Charges for the use of intellectual property
- Services: Telecommunications, computer, and IT
- Services: Other business services
- Services: Personal, cultural, and recreational services
- Services: Government goods and services
- Services: Services not allocated



AUSTRIA

Area: 83,870 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 8,932,664 (+0.4%)

Capital: Vienna

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 403,370million € (+7.4% in 2021)

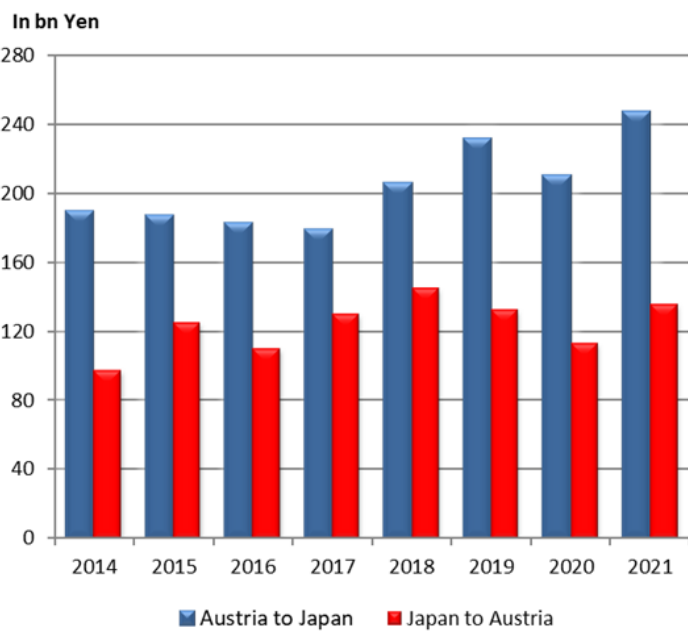
GDP per capita: 45,040 € (+7% in 2021)

In 2021, Austrian exports increased to 247.5 billion yen, 17.5% compared to 2020. Japan's exports followed the same trend 20.3% up to 136.2 billion yen.

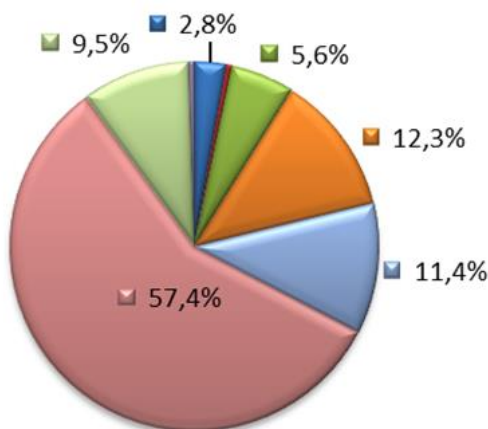
In 2021, Austria's main exports were machinery & transport equipment (57.4%), with an increase of 16.6%, chemicals (12.3%) increasing considerably by 22.3%, and manufactured goods (11.4%), increasing by 13.2%.

Japan's main exports were machinery & transport equipment (64.9%) with an increase of 21.3%, while both chemicals (17.2%) and manufactured goods (9.8%) recorded an increase compared to 2020.

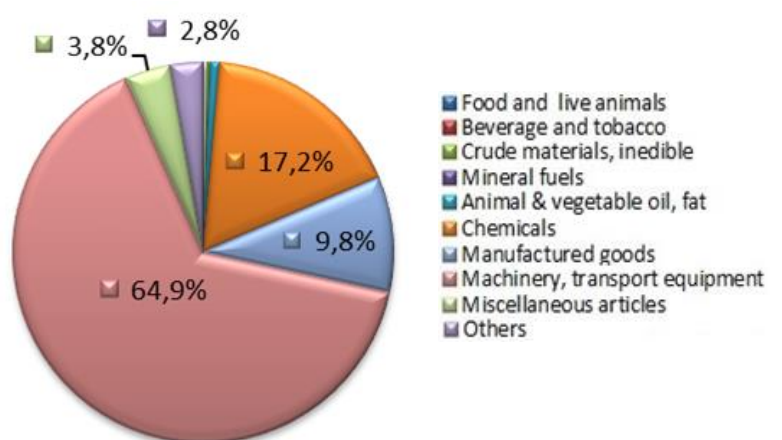
Trade between Austria and Japan (2014-21)



Austria exports to Japan



Japan exports to Austria





BELGIUM

Area: 30,528km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 11,566,041 (+0.4%)

Capital: Brussels

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 506,950 million € (+12.8% in 2021)

GDP per capita: 43,740 € (+12.2% in 2021)

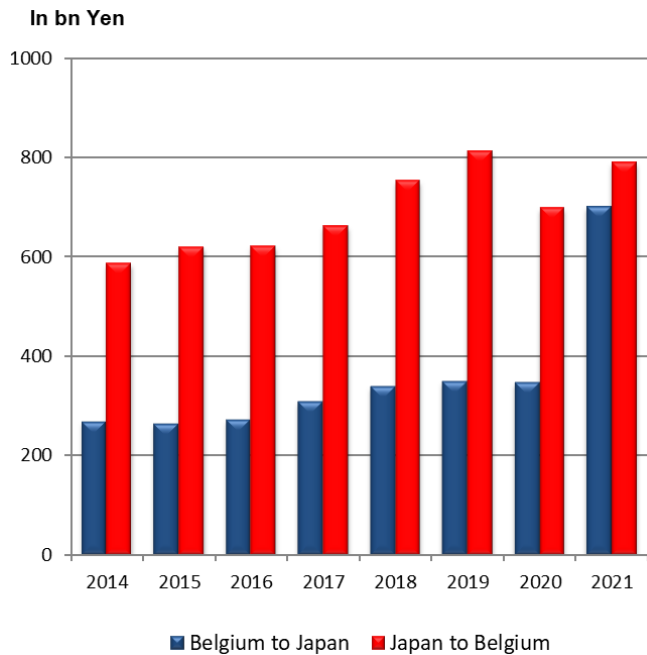
Compared with 2020, the value of Japan’s exports rose 13.9%, up to 789.7 billion yen. On the other hand, Belgium’s exports doubled in value up to 700.4 billion yen.

In 2021, Belgium’s major exports were chemicals (79.6%) with a 139.9% increase, machinery & transport equipment (7.5%), increasing by 18.1%, and manufactured goods (6.2%), also increasing by 40.4%.

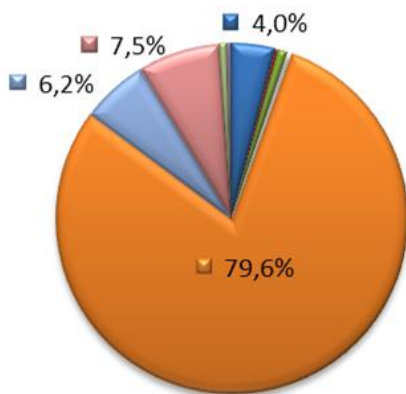
The main sectors of Japanese exports were machinery & transport equipment (66%), chemicals (15.2%), and miscellaneous articles (7.4%). All three sectors increased, especially the chemicals one with a 23.5%.

The year 2021 marked the celebration of the 155th anniversary of the establishment of the diplomatic relations between Belgium and Japan. ²

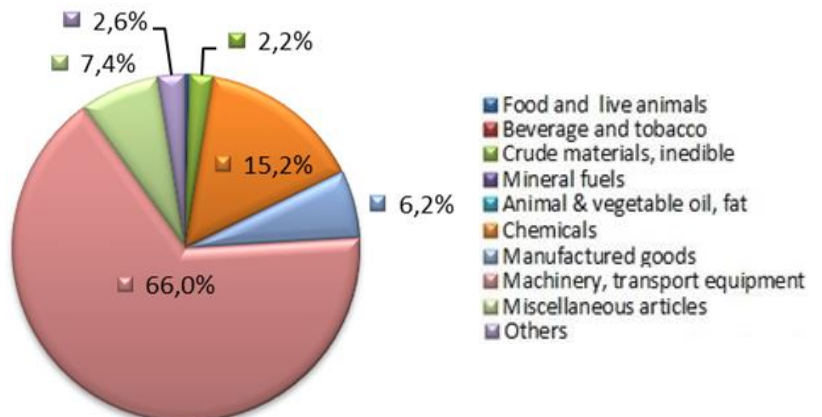
Trade between Belgium and Japan (2014-21)



Belgium exports to Japan



Japan exports to Belgium



² <https://japan.diplomatie.belgium.be/fr/relation-belgique-japon>



BULGARIA

Area: 111,910 km²
Population 1st Jan. 21: 6,916,548 (-0.5%)
Capital: Sofia

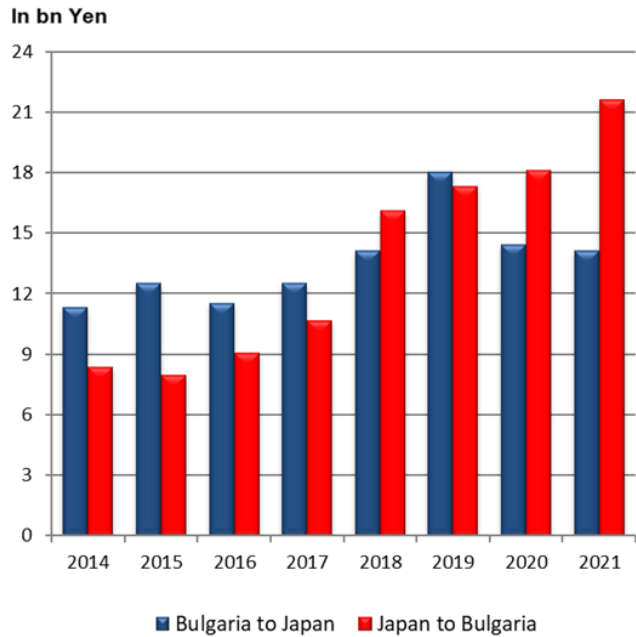
Monetary unit: Lev (лв)
GDP: 67,872 million € (+11.9% in 2021)
GDP per capita: 9,850 € (+12.6% in 2021)

In 2021, Bulgarian exports totalled 14.1 billion yen, decreasing by 2.1%, whereas Japanese exports have increased by 19.3%, reaching 21.6 billion yen.

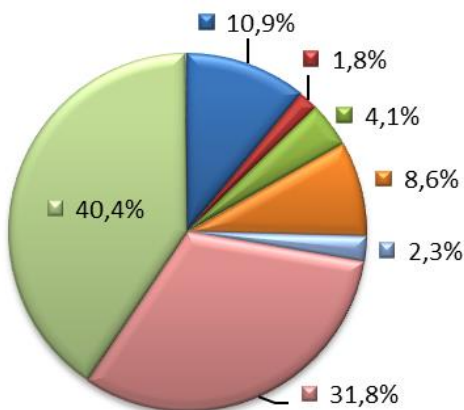
Bulgaria mainly exported miscellaneous articles (40.4%) with a decrease of 13.7%, machinery & transport equipment (31.8%) that increased by 24.2%, and food and live animals (10.9%) with a 36% performance.

Japanese exports consisted mainly of machinery & transport equipment (53.2%), increasing by 20.1%, other products (22.3%), which grew by 11.7%, and miscellaneous articles (9.8%), increasing 115.8% from the 2020 level.

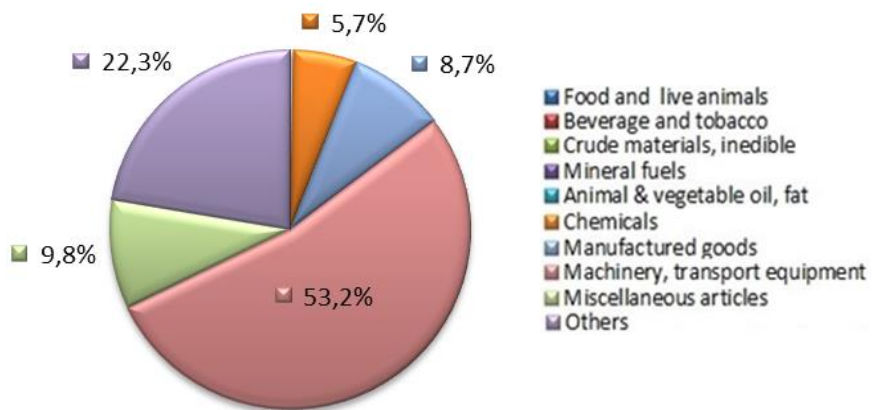
Trade between Bulgaria and Japan (2014-21)



Bulgaria exports to Japan



Japan exports to Bulgaria





CROATIA

Area: 56,594 km²
Population 1st Jan. 21: 4,036,355 (-0.5%)
Capital: Zagreb

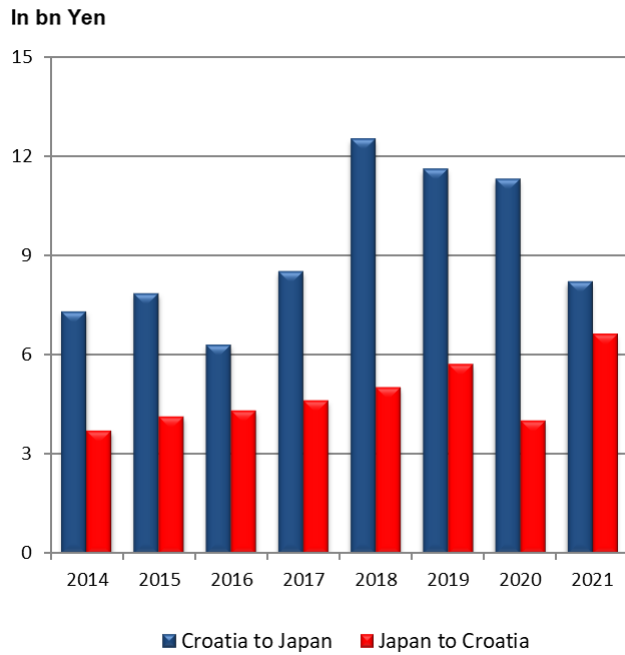
Monetary unit: Kuna (HRK)
GDP: 57,310 million € (+16.7% in 2021)
GDP per capita: 14,740 € (+21.5% in 2021)

In 2021, Croatian exports decreased by 27.4%, reaching 8.2 billion yen. On the other hand, Japanese exports grew by 65% achieving 6.6 billion.

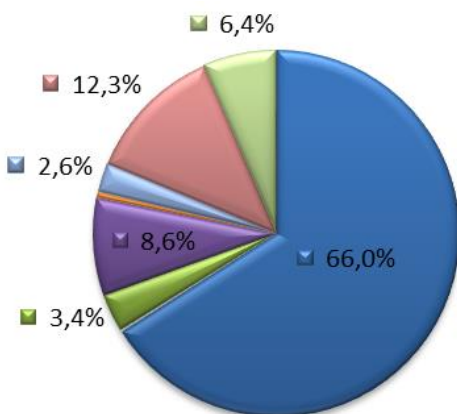
In 2021, Croatia exported mainly food and live animals (66%) with an increase of 12.2%, machinery & transport equipment (12.3%) with a significant increase of 177.8%, and for the first time in the last few years mineral fuels (8.6%).

Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (53.1%), chemicals (19.2%), and manufactured goods (16.3%). All three sectors increased, especially the chemicals one with 114.3%.

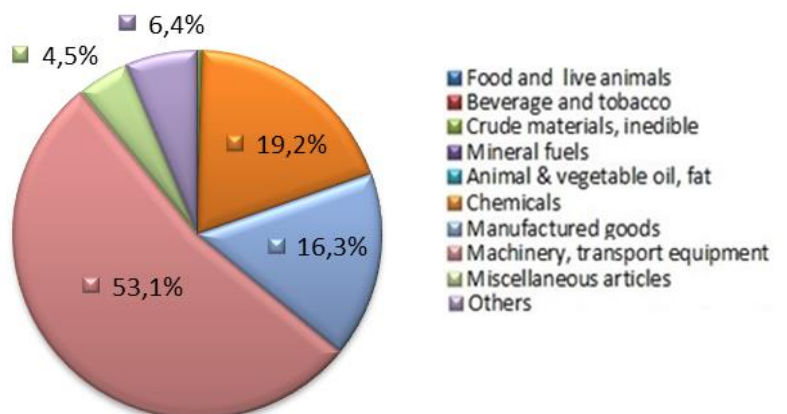
Trade between Croatia and Japan (2014-2021)



Croatia exports to Japan



Japan exports to Croatia





CYPRUS

Area: 9,016 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 896,005 (+0,9%)

Capital: Nicosia

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 23,352 million € (+11.2% in 2021)

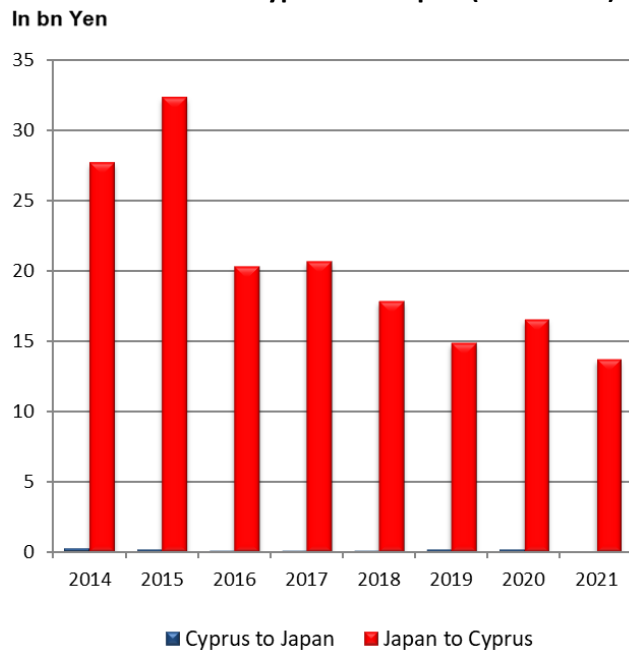
GDP per capita: 25,940 € (+10% in 2021)

In 2021, both countries saw their volume of exports decrease considerably. Japan (-17%) for a total value of 13.7 billion yen, and Cyprus (-20%) down to 0.08 billion yen.

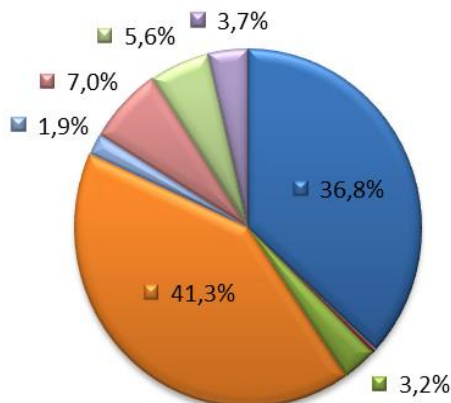
In 2021, Cyprus's main exports were chemicals (41.3%) with an increase of 21.7%, food and live animals (36.8%) with a decrease of 16.4%, and machinery & transport equipment (7%) with a 42.6% decrease.

Japan's largest exports to Cyprus were machinery & transport equipment, and other goods, which accounted respectively, for 82.6% and 12.7% of the total.

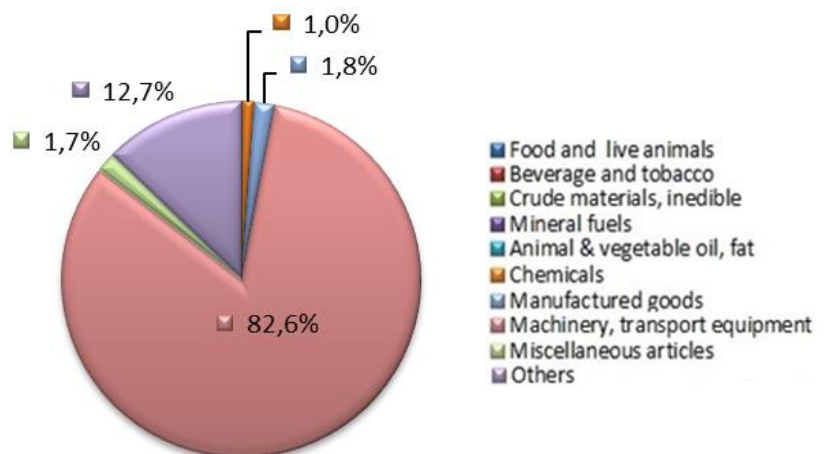
Trade between Cyprus and Japan (2014-2021)



Cyprus exports to Japan



Japan exports to Cyprus





CZECHIA

Area: 78,886 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 10,701,777 (+0.1%)

Capital: Prague

Monetary unit: Czech koruna (Kč)

GDP: 238,967 million € (+11.9% in 2021)

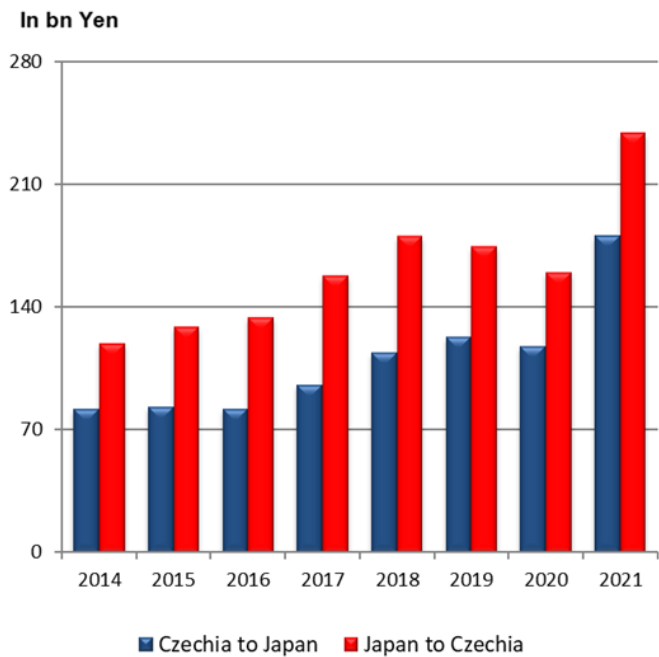
GDP per capita: 22,340 € (+11.9% in 2021)

Compared with 2020, exports from Czechia increased by 53.7%, totalling 180.5 billion yen. Similarly, Japanese exports boosted by 50% to a 239.2 billion yen value.

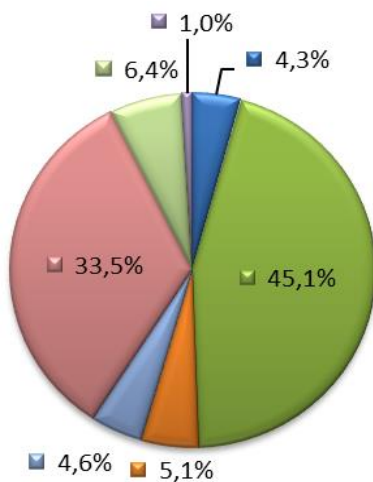
In 2021, Czechia mainly exported crude materials & inedible (45.1%), which increased by 109.3% compared to the previous year, machinery & transport equipment (33.5%), increasing by 32.9%, and miscellaneous articles (6.4%) which grew by 6.5%.

Japan's primary exports were machinery and transportation equipment (59.4%), chemicals (15%), and other products (9.1%). While the two first sectors increase respectively by 30.4% and 432.6%, the later one had a 37.4% increase.

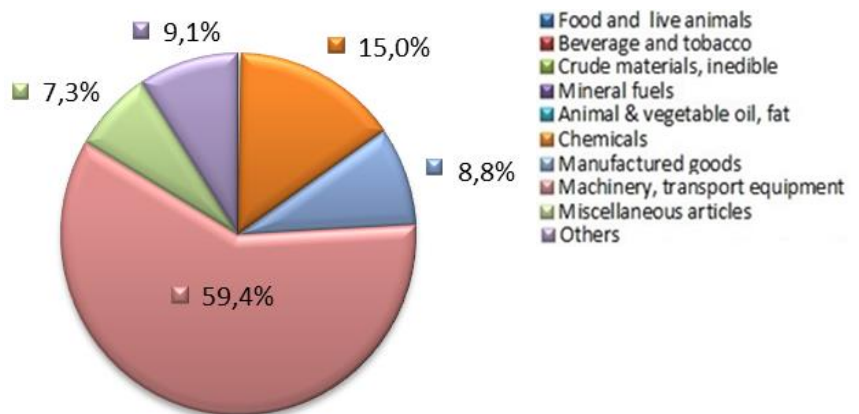
Trade between Czechia and Japan (2014-21)



Czechia exports to Japan



Japan exports to Czechia





DENMARK

Area: 43,094 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 5,840,045 (+0.3%)

Capital: Copenhagen

Monetary unit: Danish krone (kr.)

GDP: 334,526 million € (+8.2% in 2021)

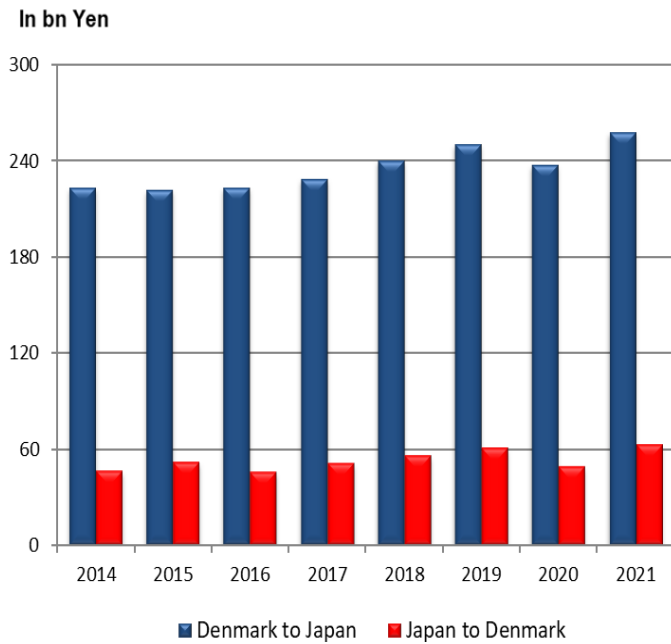
GDP per capita: 57,140 € (+7.8% in 2021)

In 2021, Denmark's exports to Japan increased 8.7%, reaching 257.9 billion yen. Japanese exports were also up 28.5% to 62.7 billion yen.

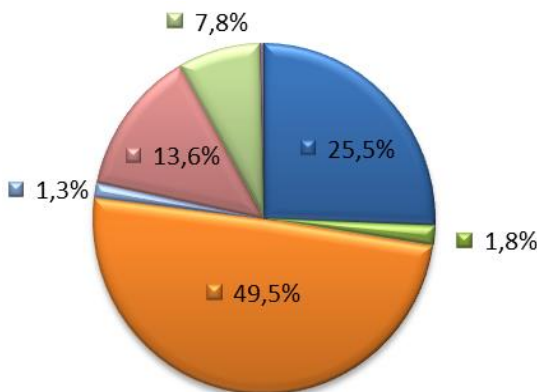
In 2021, Denmark's main export goods consisted of chemicals (49.5%) with an increase of 11.1%, food and live animals (25.5%) with a growth of 8.8%, and machinery & transport equipment (13.6%) with a rise of 4.4%.

Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (65.8%), which increased by 36.7% compared to 2020, miscellaneous articles (10.3%), and chemicals (7.5%) both sectors rising by 22% and 14.3% respectively.

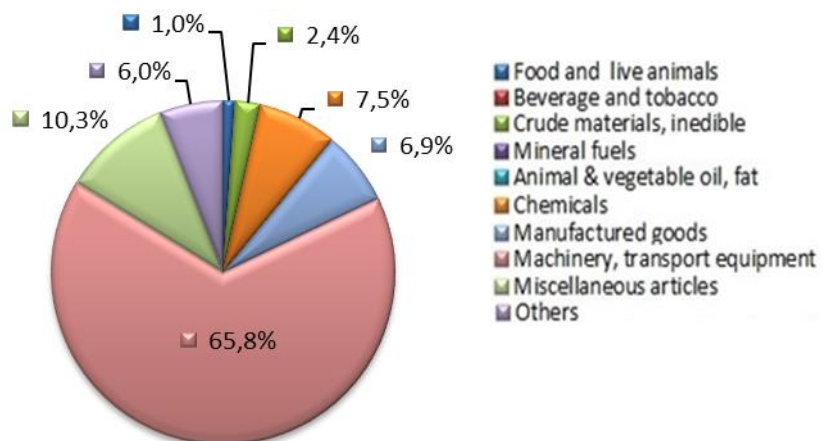
Trade between Denmark and Japan (2014-21)

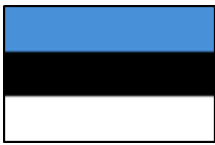


Denmark exports to Japan



Japan exports to Denmark





ESTONIA

Area: 45,000 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 1,330,068 (+0.1%)

Capital: Tallinn

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 30,660 million € (+12.9% in 2021)

GDP per capita: 23,060 € (+12.8% in 2021)

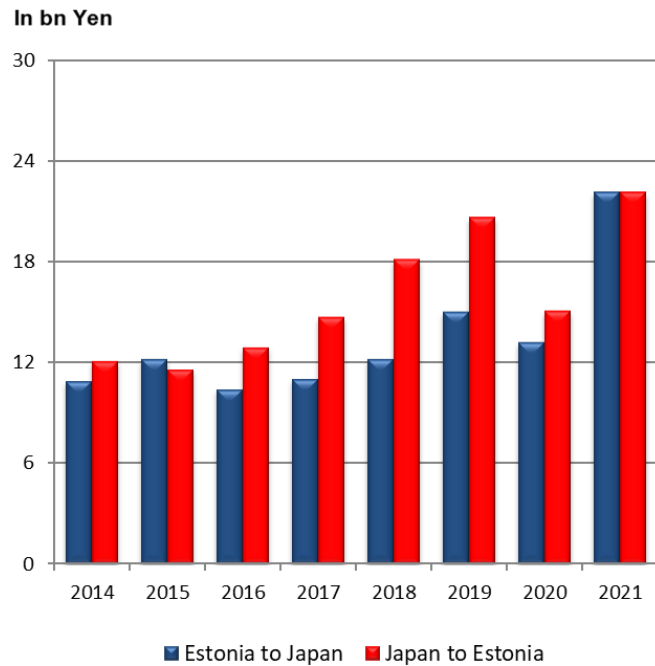
In 2021, the value of Estonian exports and Japanese ones reached 22.1 billion yen with a significant increase of 67.4% and 46.4% respectively.

Estonian main exports to Japan included machinery & transport equipment (34.1%), mineral fuels (20.5%), and crude materials & inedible (16.5%), all with growing trends, particularly the second at 5869.2%. Manufactured goods (15.4%) recorded a 1.6% decrease.

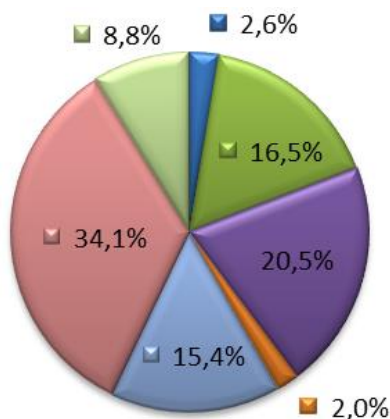
Japan exports are essentially composed of machinery & transport equipment (89.2%), with a rise of 52.9%, manufactured goods (4.5%) which rose by 64.3%, and the other products (4%) that decreased by 10%.

In 2021, Estonia and Japan celebrated the 100th anniversary of their friendship.³

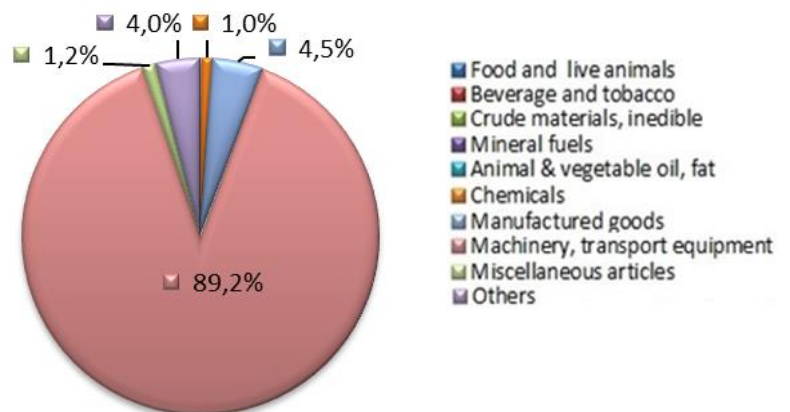
Trade between Estonia and Japan (2014-21)



Estonia exports to Japan



Japan exports to Estonia



³ https://www.ee.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/PressStatement.html



FINLAND

Area: 338,000 km²
Population 1st Jan. 21: 5,533,793 (+0.2%)
Capital: Helsinki

Monetary unit: Euro (€)
GDP: 252,934 million € (+6.5% in 2021)
GDP per capita: 45,620 € (+6.2% in 2021)

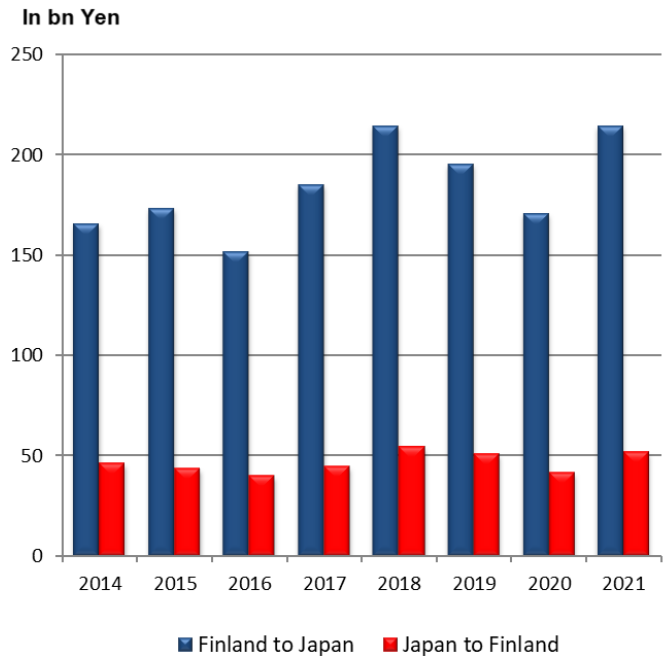
For the first time in three years, there was an increase in trade between Finland and Japan. The value of Finnish exports increased by 25.7%, up to 214.5 billion yen, while the Japanese one reached 24.5%, up to 51.9 billion yen.

In 2021, Finnish exports to Japan comprised mainly of manufactured goods (34.2%), crude materials & inedible (22%), machinery & transport equipment (20.8%), and chemicals (17.5%). Thus, the four sectors recorded a significant increment.

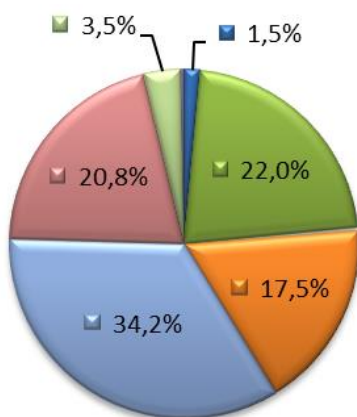
Japan essentially exported machinery & transport equipment (69.8%) with an increase of 23.1%, manufactured goods (11.4%), and chemicals (6.8%) up 32.4% and 1.7% respectively.

Finland and Japan have signed a social security agreement in May 2021, that will enter into force in February 2022. ⁴

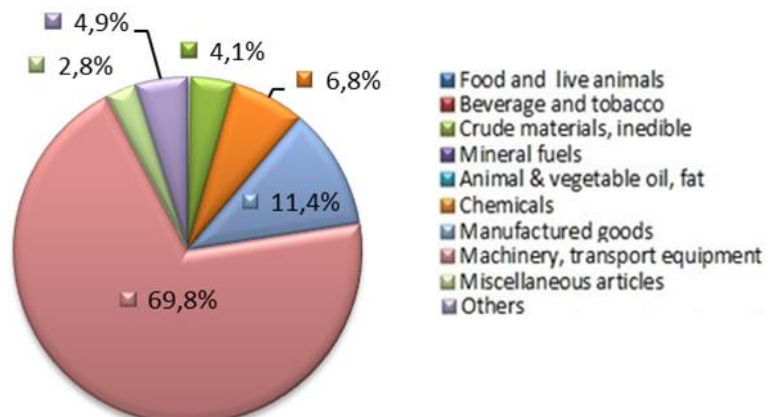
Trade between Finland and Japan (2014-21)



Finland exports to Japan



Japan exports to Finland



⁴ <https://www.tyollisyysrahasto.fi/en/news/social-security-agreement-between-finland-and-japan-enters-into-force-on-1-february-2022/>



FRANCE

Area: 550,000 km²
Population 1st Jan. 21: 67,439,599 (+0.2%)
Capital: Paris

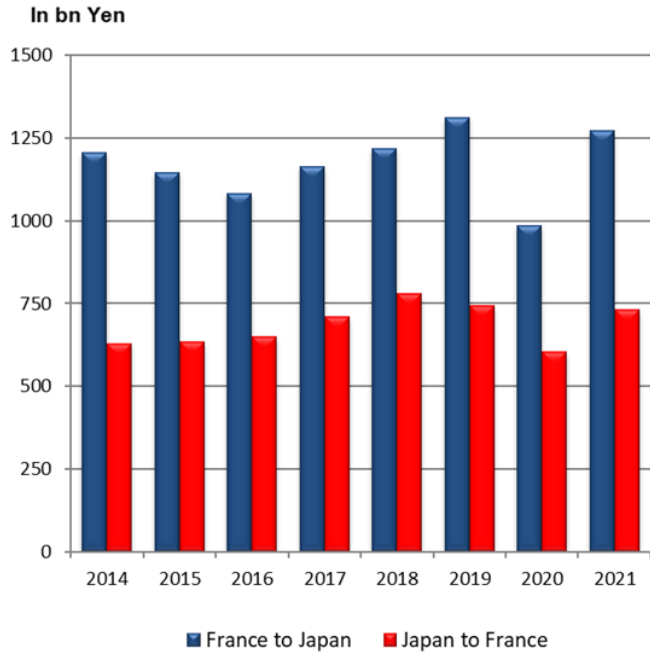
Monetary unit: Euro (€)
GDP: 2,483,616 million € (+9% in 2021)
GDP per capita: 36,520 € (+8.4% in 2021)

Compared to 2020, French exports increased by 29% to reach 1274.3 billion yen while Japanese exports reached 731 billion yen, with an increase of 21.3%.

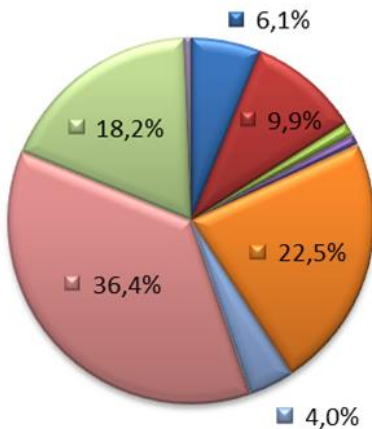
In 2021, France's main export sectors were machinery & transport equipment (36.4%), chemicals (22.5%), and miscellaneous articles (18.2%). Whereas machinery & transport equipment and miscellaneous articles increased by 85.7% and 30.6%, respectively, the chemical sector decreased by 7.6%.

Japan primarily exported machinery & transport equipment (60.9%), chemicals (11.9%), and other products (10.7%), all three sectors with positive trends.

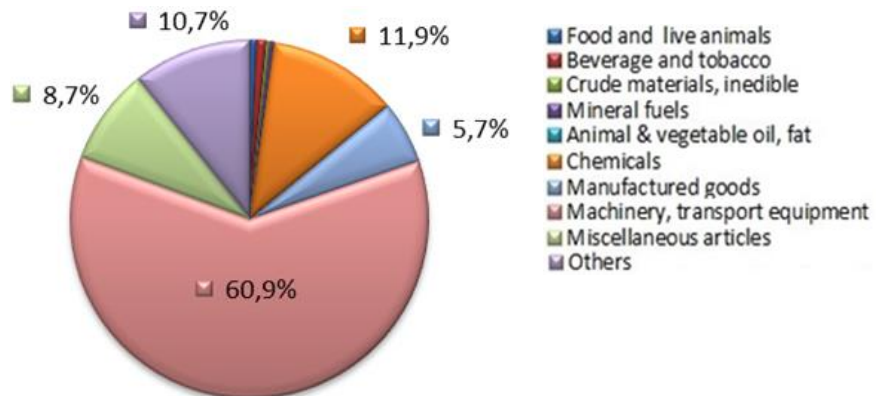
Trade between France and Japan (2014-21)



France exports to Japan



Japan exports to France





GERMANY

Area: 356,854 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 83,155,031 (+0.0%)

Capital: Berlin

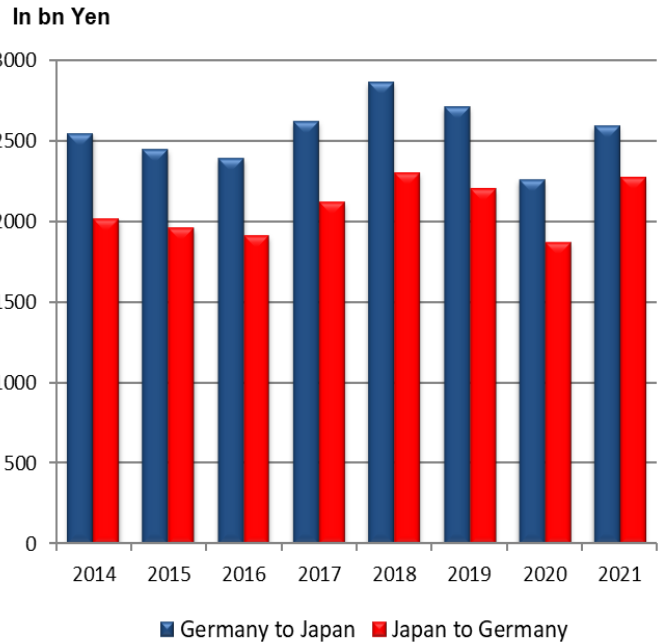
Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 3,570,620 million € (+7.2% in 2021)

GDP per capita: 42,920 € (+7.1% in 2021)

Exports between Germany and Japan increased by 14.5% in 2021. Japan’s largest EU trade partner exported a total of 2595 billion yen worth of goods. On the other hand, Japan’s exports amounted to 2279 billion yen, with an increment of 21.5%.

Trade between Germany and Japan (2014-21)



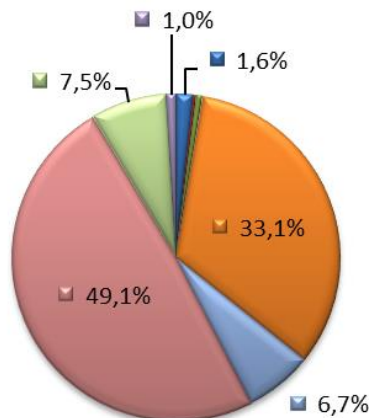
In 2021, Germany mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (49%), chemicals (33%), and miscellaneous articles (7.5%). The three sectors had double-digit increases.

Japan principally exported machinery & transport equipment (58.5%) with an increment of 18%, chemicals (13.6%) which increased by 31% from 2020, and miscellaneous articles (11.4%).

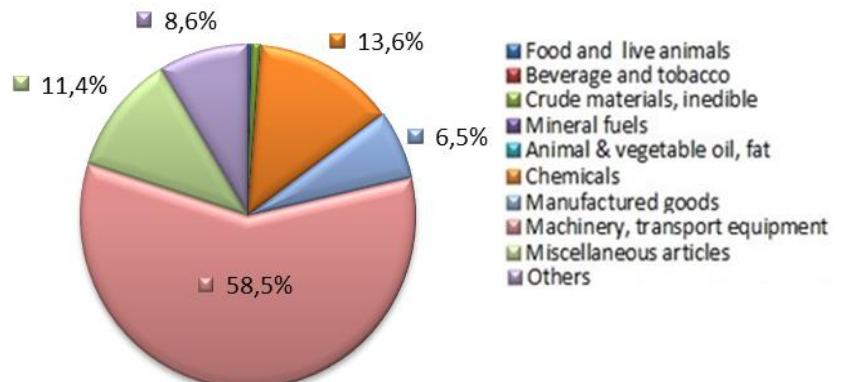
In 2021, the two countries celebrated the 160th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations.⁵

In March 2021, Japan and Germany signed an Agreement on the Security of Information.⁶

Germany exports to Japan



Japan exports to Germany



⁵ <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/laenderinformationen/japan-node/japan/229264>

⁶ <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/laenderinformationen/japan-node/japan-agreement-security-information/2449392>



GREECE

Area: 131,957 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 10,682,547 (-0.3%)

Capital: Athens

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 182,830 million € (+10.3% in 2021)

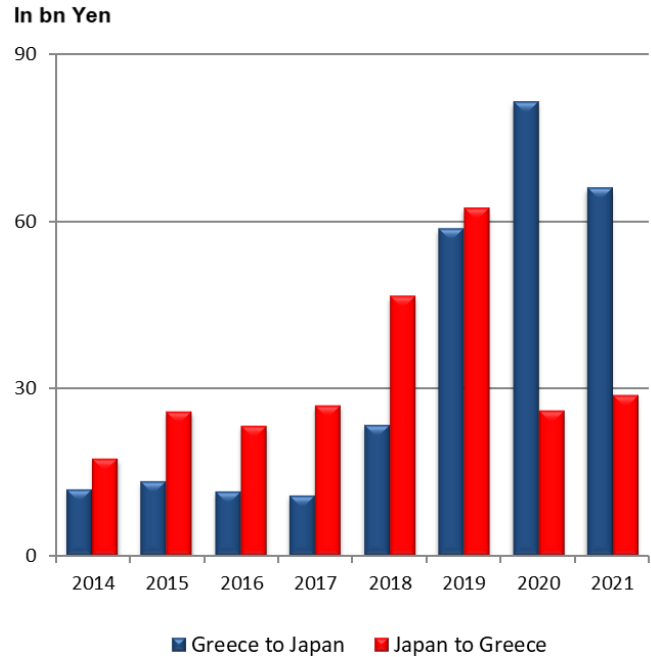
GDP per capita: 17,140 € (+10.7% in 2021)

In 2021 Greek exports shrank by 18.8%, down to 66 billion yen. On the opposite Japanese exports increased by 10.3%, up to 28.8 billion yen.

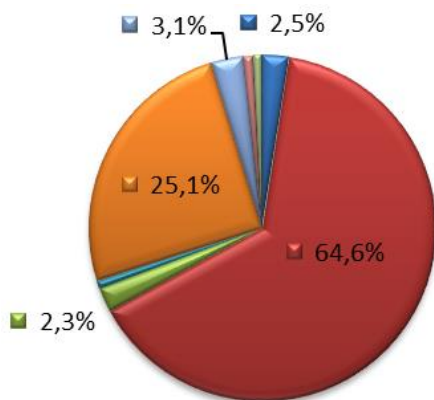
Greece mainly exported beverage & tobacco (64.6%), and chemicals (25%) that decreased by 43% compared to that previous year.

Japan's main exports to Greece were machinery & transport equipment (77.3%), which increased by 5% compared to 2020, followed by manufactured goods (9.5%), and chemicals (6%), both with an increment of 65% and 20% respectively.

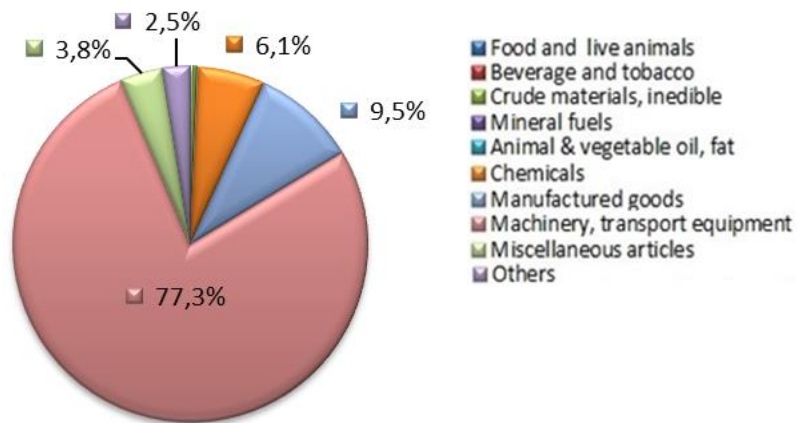
Trade between Greece and Japan (2014-21)



Greece exports to Japan



Japan exports to Greece





HUNGARY

Area: 93,000 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 9,730,772 (-0.4%)

Capital: Budapest

Monetary unit: Forint (Ft)

GDP: 153,536 million € (+13.3% in 2021)

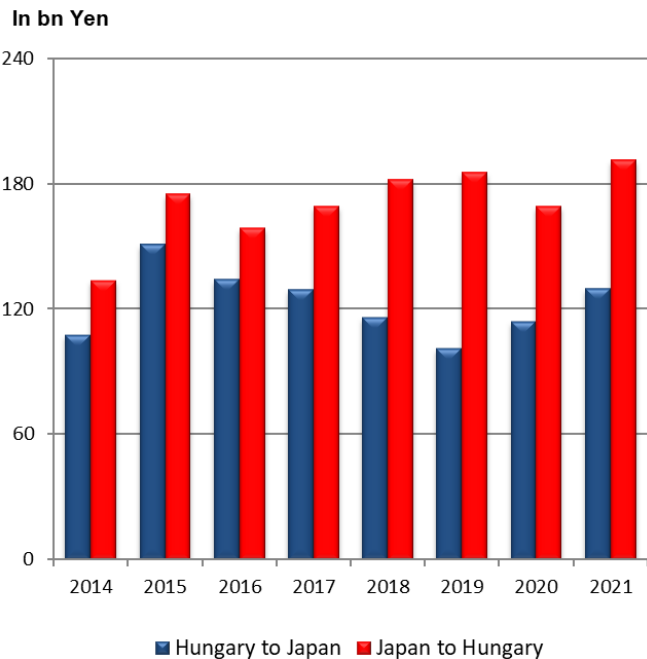
GDP per capita: 15,810 € (+13.7% in 2021)

The value of Hungary’s exports to Japan increased by 13.8%, up to nearly 130 billion yen in 2021 following the same trend, Japanese exports to Hungary rose by 13% up to 191 billion yen.

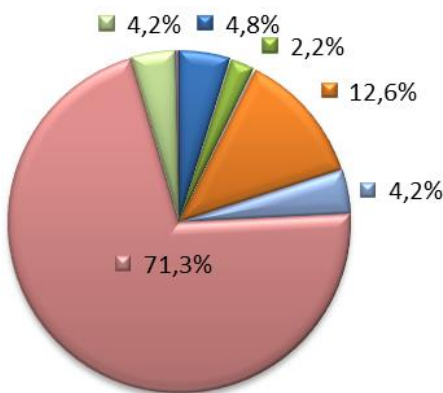
In 2021, Hungary mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (71%), with an 11% increase, chemicals (12.6%) also increasing by 10.5%, and food and live animals (5%) that grew by nearly 40%.

Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (76%), other goods (10%), and manufactured goods (6.5%) all sectors increasing by 11.4%, 4%, and 19% respectively.

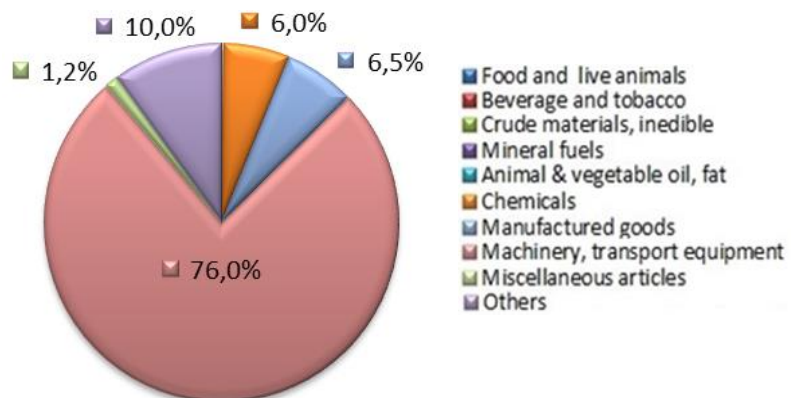
Trade between Hungary and Japan (2014-21)



Hungary exports to Japan



Japan exports to Hungary





IRELAND

Area: 70,000 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 5,006,907 (+0.9%)

Capital: Dublin

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 421,529 million € (+15% in 2021)

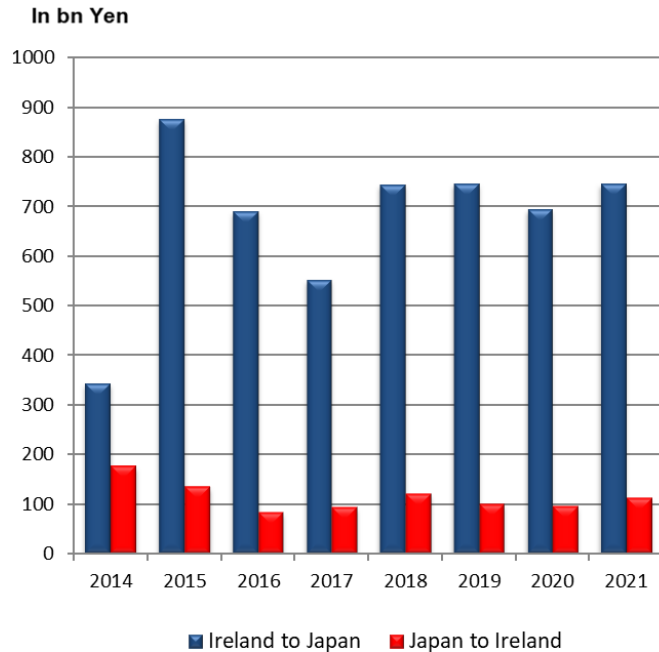
GDP per capita: 83,990 € (+14.1% in 2021)

Compared to 2020, Irish exports increased by 7% up to 745 billion yen, similarly Japanese exports increased by 16.6% up to 111 billion yen.

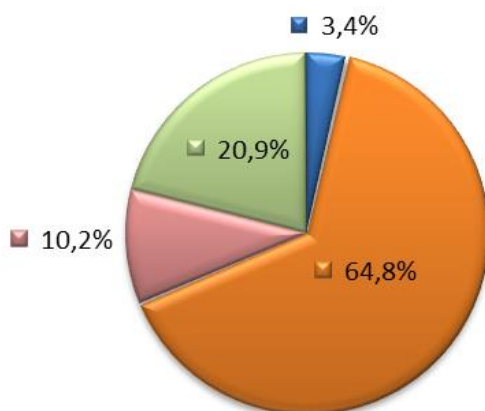
In 2021, Ireland, mainly exported chemicals (65%) with an increment of 10.3%, miscellaneous articles (21%), and machinery & transport equipment (10.2%), having increased by 5.4%.

Most of the Japanese exports consisted of machinery & transport equipment (47%), with an increase of 20%, followed by chemical products (35.3%), which rose 14.4%, and other products (9%), increasing by nearly 30%.

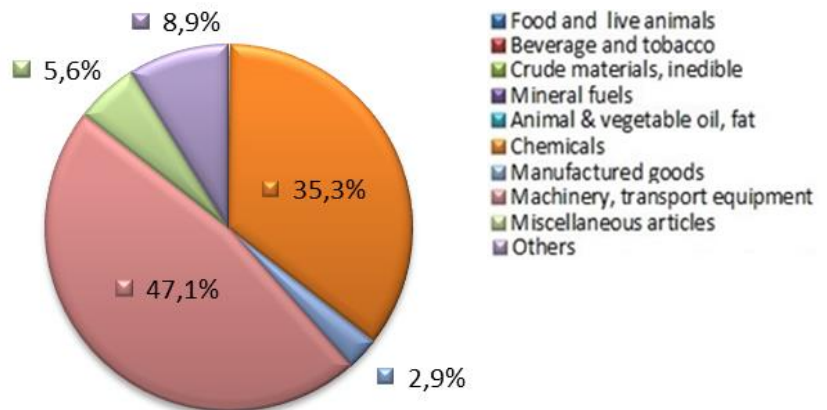
Trade between Ireland and Japan (2014-21)



Ireland exports to Japan



Japan exports to Ireland





ITALY

Area: 301,263 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 59,257,566 (-0.6%)

Capital: Rome

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 1,781,221 million € (+7.8% in 2021)

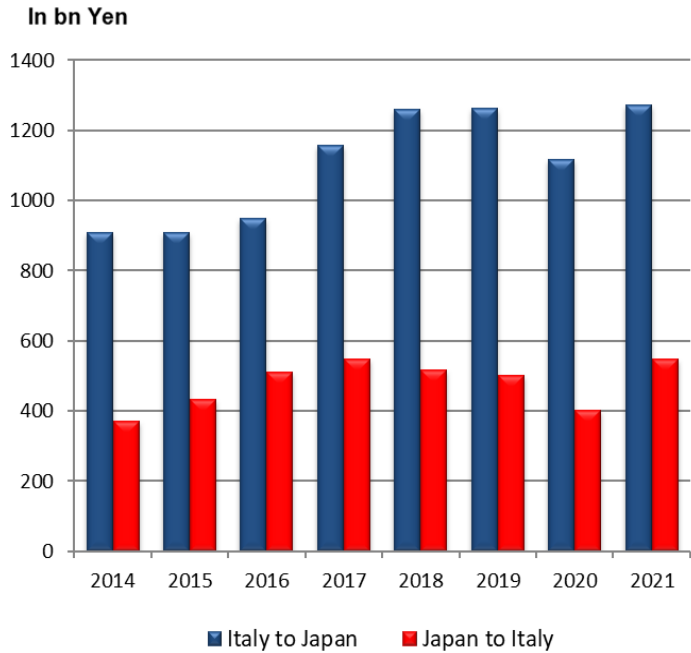
GDP per capita: 30,130 € (+9.6% in 2021)

In comparison to 2020, Italian exports increased by 14% to reach 1273 billion yen. In 2021, Japan's exports also increased by 36.2% up to 549 billion yen.

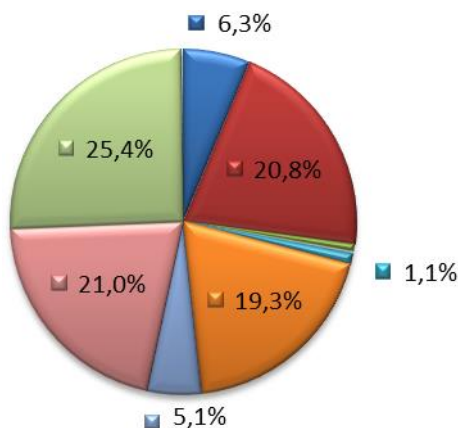
In 2021, Italy, mainly exported beverage and tobacco (20.8% of total) that increased by 22.7%, miscellaneous articles (25.4%) rising by 10%, machinery & transport equipment (21%), and chemicals (19.3%) with an increment of 21.5%.

Japan's main exports were machinery & transport equipment (60.4%) with an increase of 35.2%, manufactured goods (14.5%), with an increase of 104.5%, and chemicals (12.8%), rising by 2.5%.

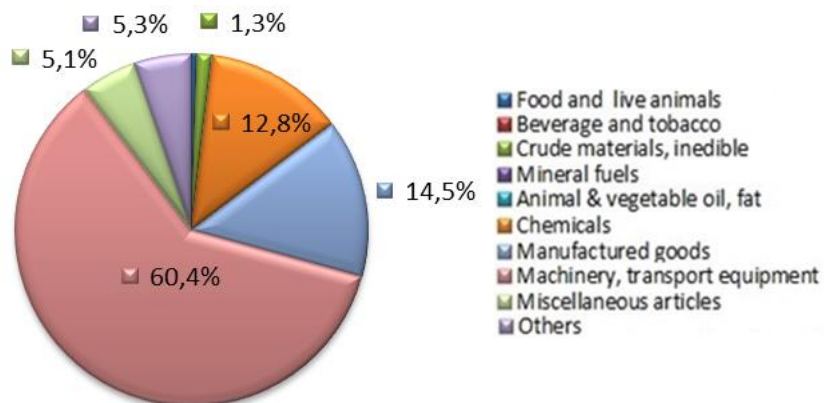
Trade between Italy and Japan (2014-21)



Italy exports to Japan



Japan exports to Italy





LATVIA

Area: 65,000 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 1,893,223 (-0.8%)

Capital: Riga

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 32,916 million € (+12.2% in 2021)

GDP per capita: 17,480 € (+13.3% in 2021)

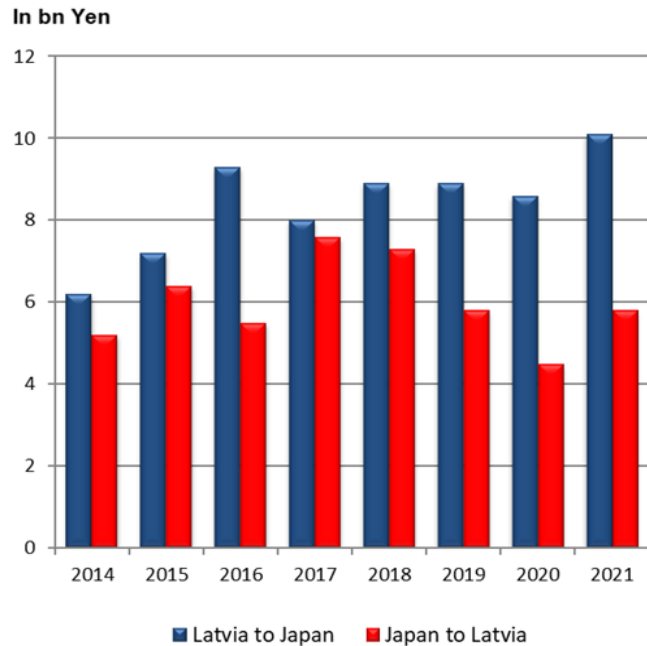
Compared to 2020, Latvian exports increased significantly by 17.4% at 10 billion yen. Japanese exports also increased by 29% down to 5.8 billion yen.

In 2021, Latvia, mainly exported crude materials & inedible (40.5%) with an increase of 19%, followed by food & live animals (12.5%) rising by 15.7%. Good results from machinery & transport equipment (12.4%) that went up by 8%, mineral fuels (11.6%) and miscellaneous articles (11.3%), with an increase of 33.6% and 39.8% respectively.

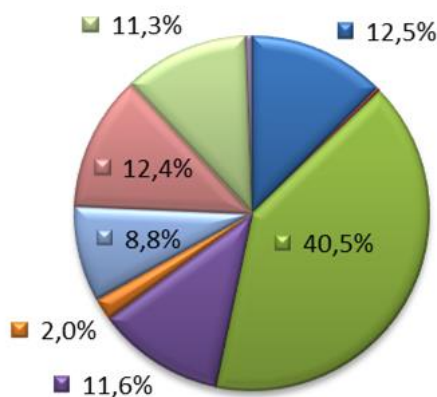
Japan's largest exports were machinery & transport equipment (43.3%), with an increase of 67.7% compared to 2020, followed by chemicals (16.5%), which benefit from a +66.4% increase, and manufactured goods (12.6%), having gained 23% of its value.

In 2021, Latvia and Japan celebrated the 100th anniversary of their friendship. ⁷

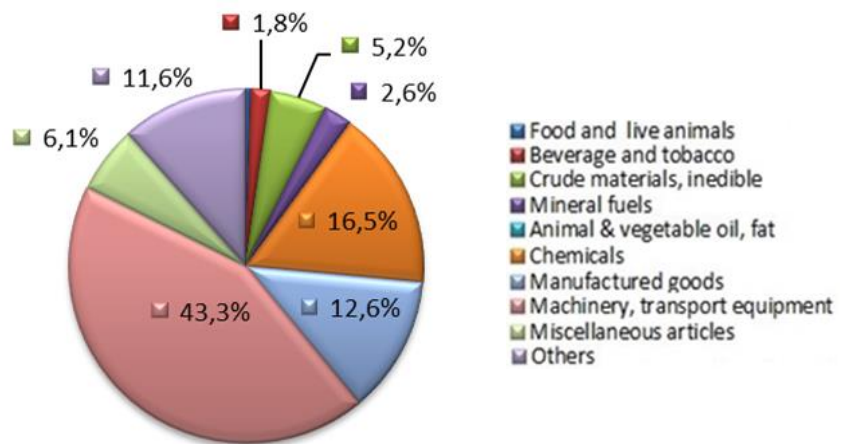
Trade between Latvia and Japan (2014-21)



Latvia exports to Japan



Japan exports to Latvia



⁷ <https://www2.mfa.gov.lv/en/news/latest-news/68228-latvia-and-japan-mark-one-hundred-years-of-friendship>



LITHUANIA

Area: 65,000 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 2,795,680 (+0.1%)

Capital: Vilnius

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 55,325 million € (+13.4% in 2021)

GDP per capita: 19,740 € (+13.1% in 2021)

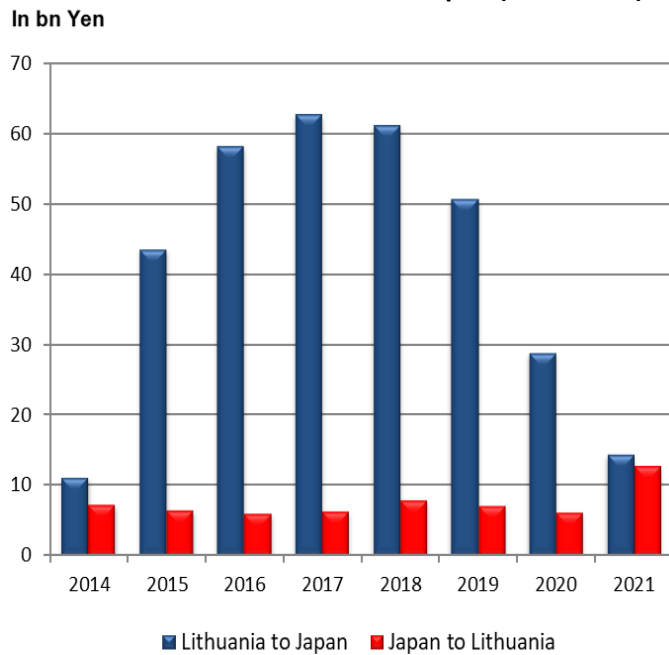
For a fourth consecutive year, trade from Lithuania to Japan kept a decreasing trend. The value of Lithuanian exports decreased by 49.7%, down to 14.5 billion yen, nevertheless, the Japanese one doubled up to 12.7 billion yen.

In 2021, Lithuania's main exports were miscellaneous articles (33%) with an increase of 13.6%, chemicals (26%) with an increment of 68% compared to 2020, and machinery & transport equipment (12%) increasing by 25%. The sector experiencing the biggest loss was beverage and tobacco (3%) with a contraction of 97.6%

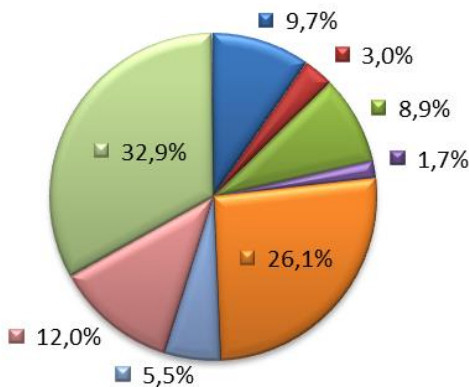
Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (59%), which increased by 151%, other goods (19.2%) with a substantial increase of 211%, and miscellaneous articles (9.3%), gaining 24.7% of its value.

In October 2021, Lithuania and Japan celebrated the 30th anniversary of their re-establishment of diplomatic relations.⁸

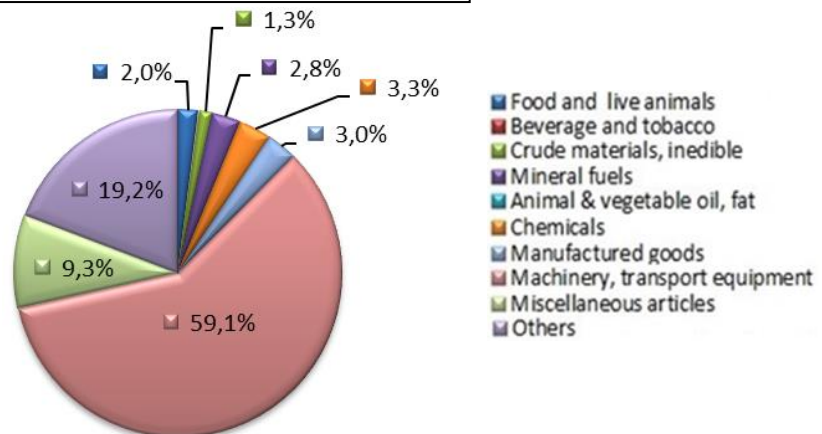
Trade between Lithuania and Japan (2014-2021)



Lithuania exports to Japan



Japan exports to Lithuania



⁸ <https://jp.mfa.lt/jp/en/news/30th-anniversary-of-re-establishment-of-lithuanian-japanese-diplomatic-relations>



LUXEMBOURG

Area: 2,586 km²
Population 1st Jan. 21: 634,730 (+1.4%)
Capital: Luxembourg

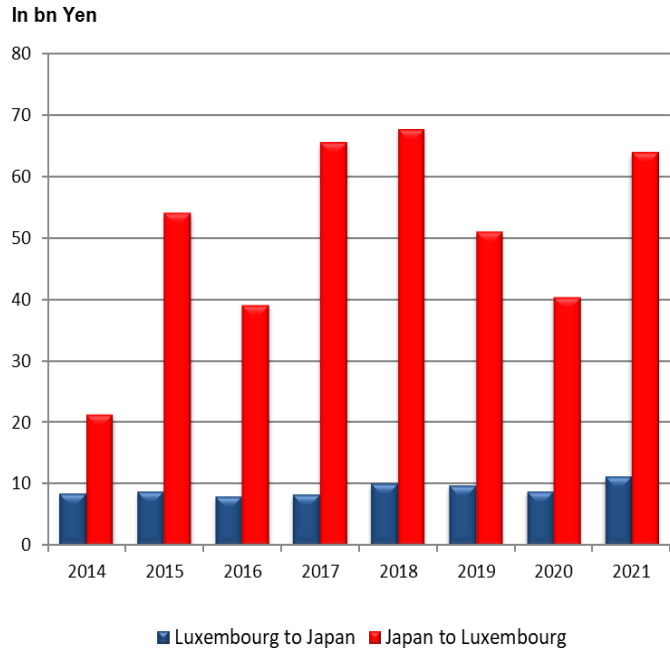
Monetary unit: Euro (€)
GDP: 73,313 million € (+14.3 % in 2021)
GDP per capita: 114,370 € (+12.5% in 2021)

Compared to 2020, Luxembourg exports increased by 27.3% up to 11.2 billion yen following the same trend, Japanese exports also increased by 58% up to 64 billion yen.

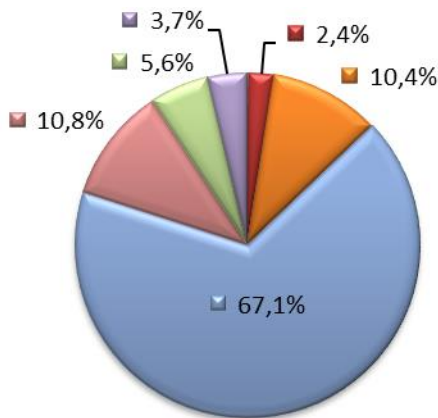
Luxembourg mainly exported manufactured goods (67%), with an increment of 17.4% in volume, machinery & transport equipment (10.8%), also increasing by 10.5%, and chemicals (10.4%), with a substantial increase of nearly 79%.

Japan exports are essentially in the machinery & transport equipment (94.7%), with an increment of 59.5%.

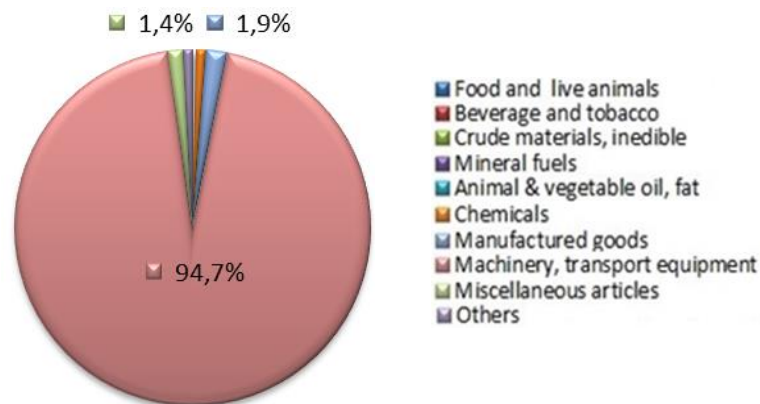
Trade between Luxembourg and Japan (2014-21)



Luxembourg exports to Japan



Japan exports to Luxembourg





MALTA

Area: 316 km²
Population 1st Jan. 21: 516,100 (+0.3%)
Capital: Valletta

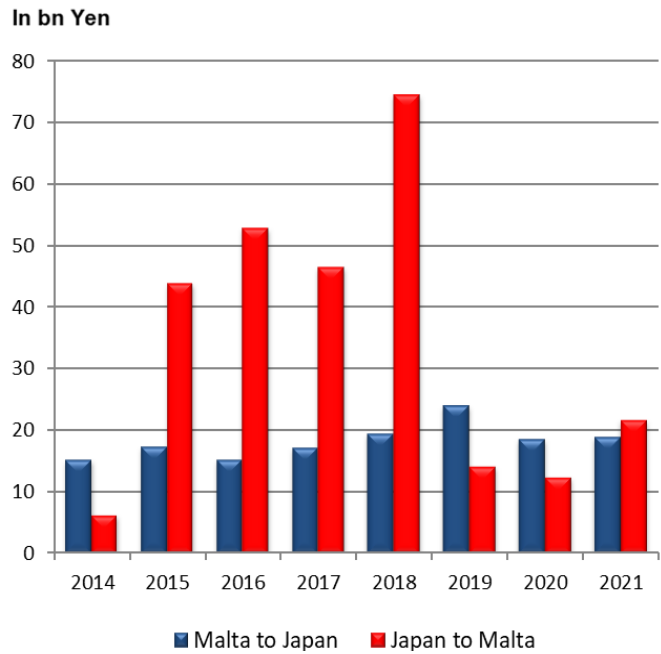
Monetary unit: Euro (€)
GDP: 14,533 million € (+13.3% in 2021)
GDP per capita: 27,930 € (+12.3% in 2021)

In 2021, Malta's exports increased slightly by 1.6% up to 18.9 billion yen. On the other hand, Japanese exports increased significantly by 75.8% up to 21.8 billion yen.

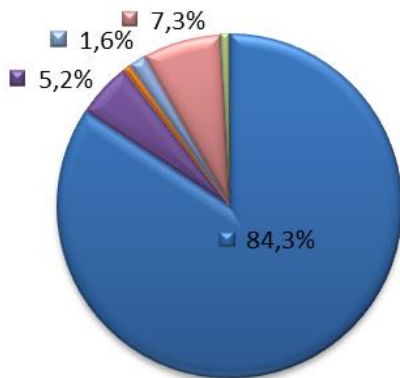
In 2021, Malta essentially exported food & live animals (84.3%), with a decrease of 6.5%, machinery & transport equipment (7.3%) that incremented its volume by 26.2%, and mineral fuels with a substantial increase from 0 to 5.2% between 2020 and 2021.

Japan essentially exported machinery & transport equipment (93.3%), with an increase of 76.7%, and manufactured goods (3.7%) with a substantial increase of 146.3% compared to 2020.

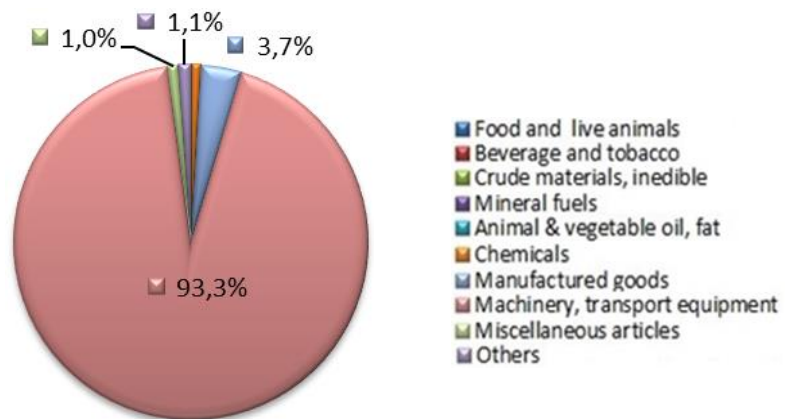
Trade between Malta and Japan (2014-21)



Malta exports to Japan



Japan exports to Malta





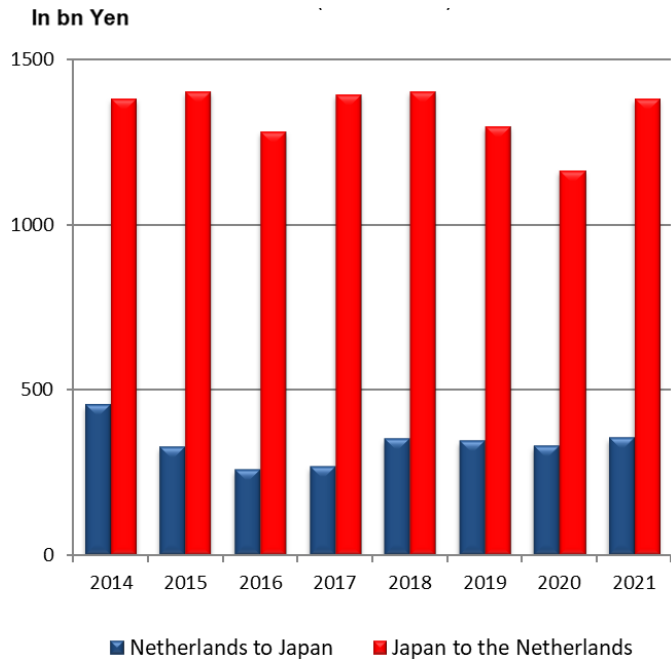
THE NETHERLANDS

Area: 41,526 km²
Population 1st Jan. 21: 17,475,415 (+0.4%)
Capital: Amsterdam

Monetary unit: Euro (€)
GDP: 859,166 million € (+7.8% in 2021)
GDP per capita: 49,000 € (+7.2% in 2021)

In 2021, Dutch exports amounted to 355.4 billion yen, with an increase of 8%. Japanese exports amounted to 1381.8 billion yen, with also an increase of 18.7%.

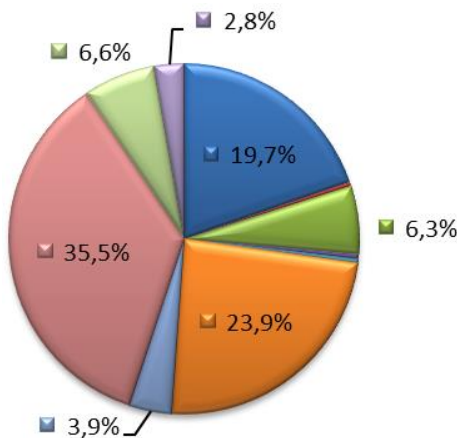
Trade between Netherlands and Japan (2014-21)



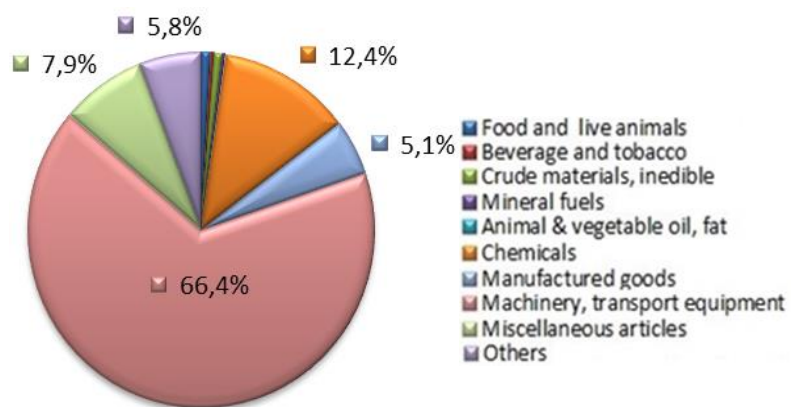
In 2021, Dutch exported machinery & transport equipment (35.5%), chemicals (24%) and food & live animals (19.7%). All sectors with an increase of 2.6%, 8.3% and 6% respectively.

Japanese exports are mainly composed of machinery & transport equipment (66.4%) with an increase of 16.8%, chemicals (12.4%) which performed well with a 28% increase, and miscellaneous articles (8%), with a significant increment of 34%.

Netherlands exports to Japan



Japan exports to Netherlands





POLAND

Area: 312,679 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 37,840,001 (-0.3%)

Capital: Warsaw

Monetary unit: Zloty (zł)

GDP: 570,206 million € (+9.3% in 2021)

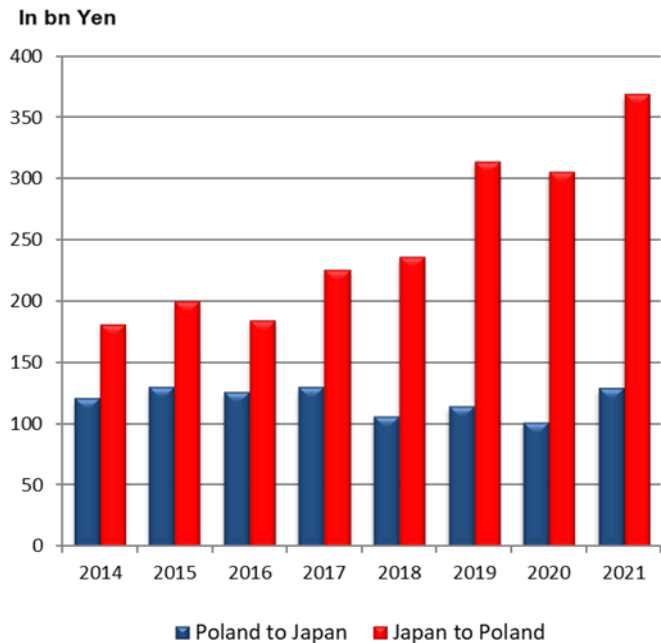
GDP per capita: 14,940 € (+9.9% in 2021)

Compared to 2020, exports from Poland reached 128.4 billion yen, with an increase of 27.8%. Similarly, Japanese exports increased by 21%, reaching 368.3 billion yen in 2021.

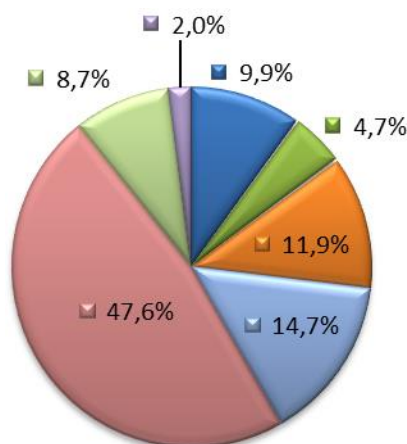
In 2021, Poland mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (47.6%), manufactured goods (14.7%), and chemicals (11.9%). All sectors recorded an increment in volume compared to 2020, especially manufactured goods 41%.

Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (64%), with an increase of 21.4%, chemicals (20.2%) increasing by 6.2%, and manufactured goods (7.3%) with a strong 80% growth.

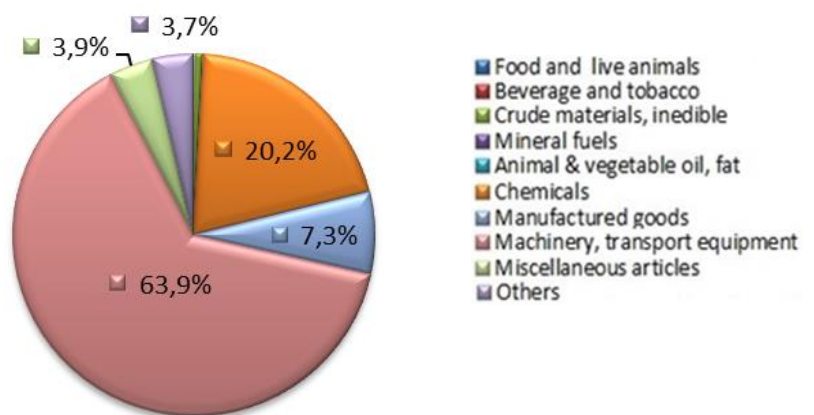
Trade between Poland and Japan (2014-21)



Poland exports to Japan



Japan exports to Poland





PORTUGAL

Area: 92,072 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 10,298,252 (+0.0%)

Capital: Lisbon

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 211,461 million € (+4.3% in 2021)

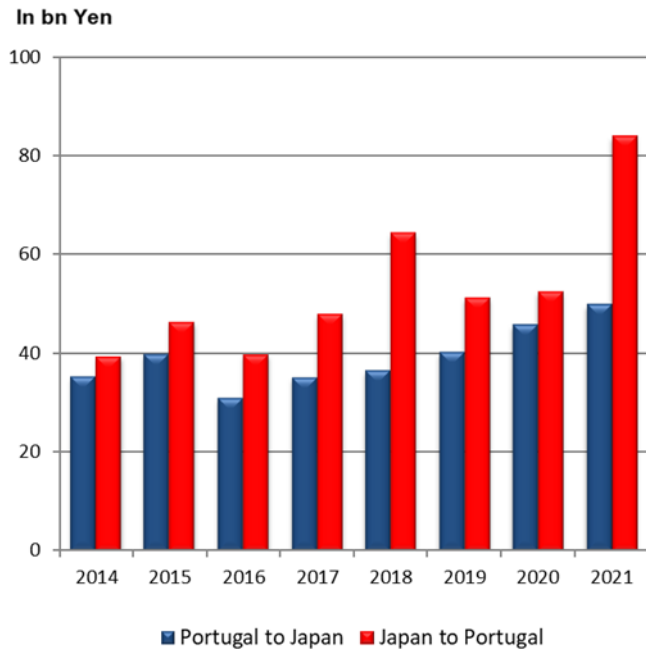
GDP per capita: 20,550 € (+4.5% in 2021)

In 2021, Portuguese exports were valued at 49.8 billion yen, with an increase of 9.2%, following the same trend Japanese exports increased by 60% up to 83.8 billion yen.

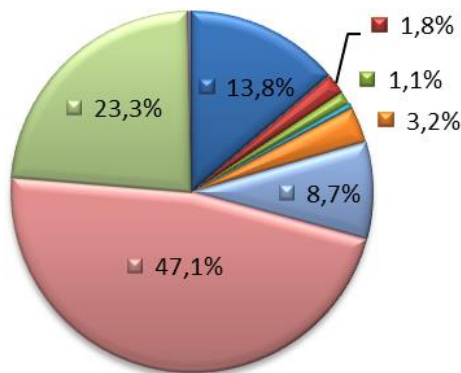
In 2021, Portugal mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (47%) with a significant increase of 24.5%. Miscellaneous articles (23.3%) and food & live animals (13.8%) with a small increase of 1.9%.

Japan exported machinery & transport equipment (47%), with a slight 4.2% increase, and manufactured goods (41.7%) which rose by 344% of its value.

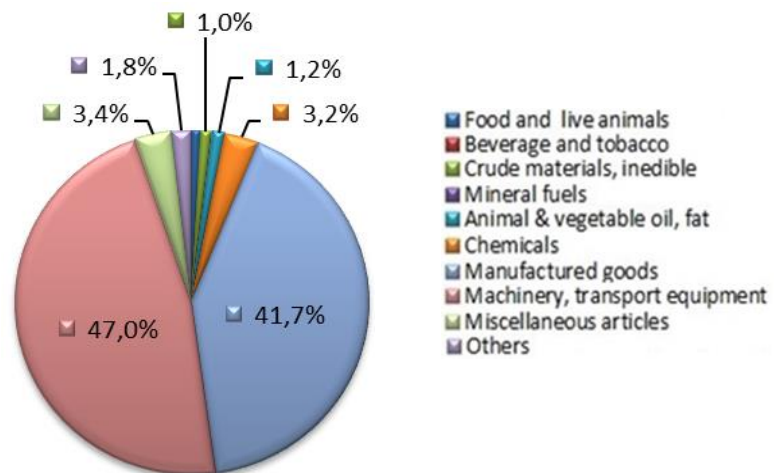
Trade between Portugal and Japan (2014-21)



Portugal exports to Japan



Japan exports to Portugal





ROMANIA

Area: 237,500 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 19,186,201 (-0.7%)

Capital: Bucharest

Monetary unit: Romanian leu

GDP: 239,637 million € (+10% in 2021)

GDP per capita: 12,480 € (+10.7% in 2021)

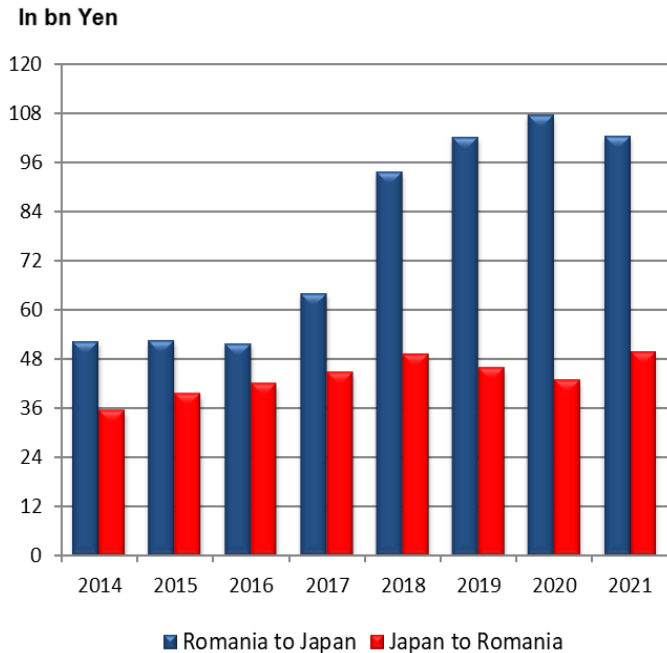
Compared to 2020, exports from Romania decreased by 4.8% down to 102.5 billion yen, on the other hand, and unlike previous years, Japan's exports increased by 16.4% up to 49.7 billion yen.

In 2021, Romania, mainly exported beverages & tobacco (33%), which decreased by 9.4% from the 2020 level, machinery & transport equipment (25.4%), that also a decrease of 12.6%, and miscellaneous articles (18.8%) with a slight contraction of 3.2%.

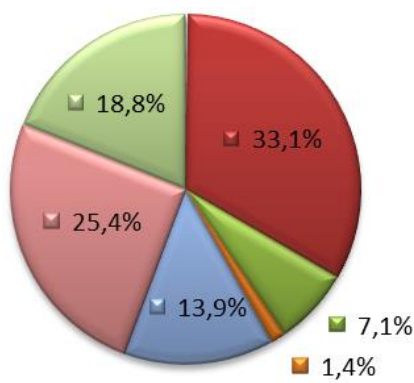
Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (73.2%) that an increase of 23.4%, manufactured goods (10.8%) with a contraction of 6.6%, and other goods (7.6%), with a slight growth of 3.8%.

The year 2021 marked the centenary of Japanese-Romanian diplomatic relations.⁹

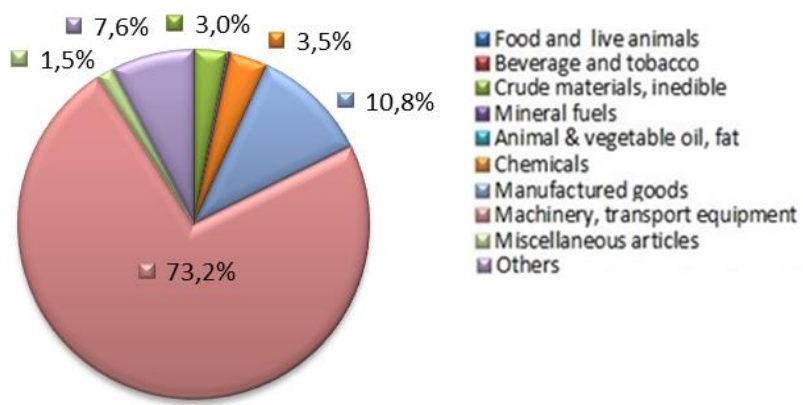
Trade between Romania and Japan (2014-21)



Romania exports to Japan



Japan exports to Romania



⁹ https://www.ro.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_ro/Relatii.html



SLOVAKIA

Area: 48,845 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 5,459,781 (+0.0%)

Capital: Bratislava

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 97,122 million € (+6.6% in 2021)

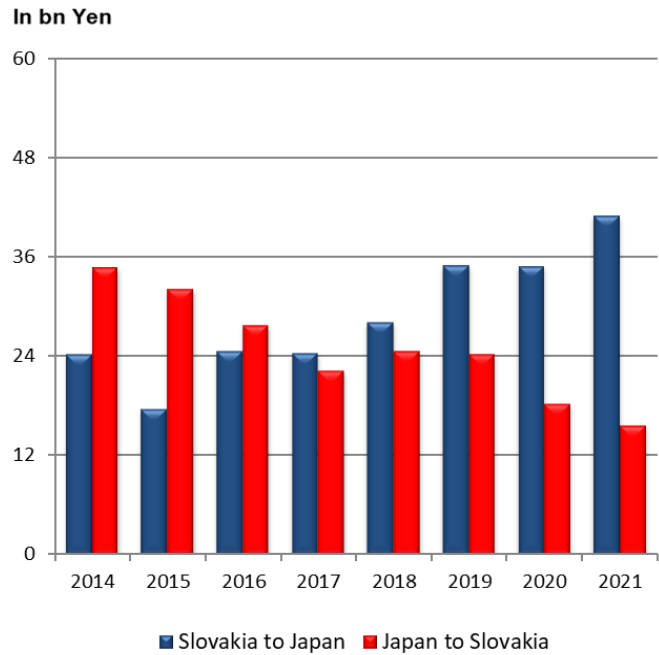
GDP per capita: 17,820 € (+6.8% in 2021)

Compared to 2020, the exports of Slovakia recorded a significant increase of 17.5% reaching 41 billion yen. On the other hand, Japanese exports contracted by 24.7%, reaching 18.3 billion yen.

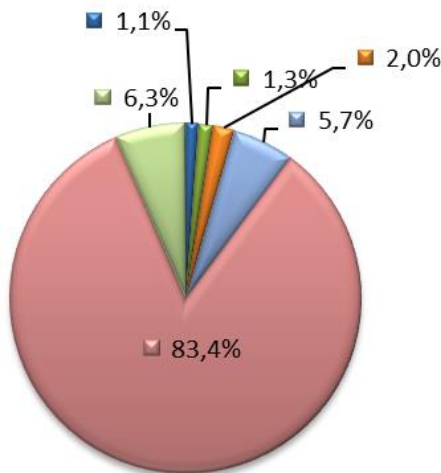
In 2021, Slovakia's main exports were machinery & transport equipment (82.5%), barely unchanged in value compared to 2019, manufactured goods (7.8%), which increased by 22%, and miscellaneous articles (5.7%) with a 17% decrease.

Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (83.4%), with an 18.7% increase, and miscellaneous articles (6.3%), increasing by 30.3% of its 2020 value.

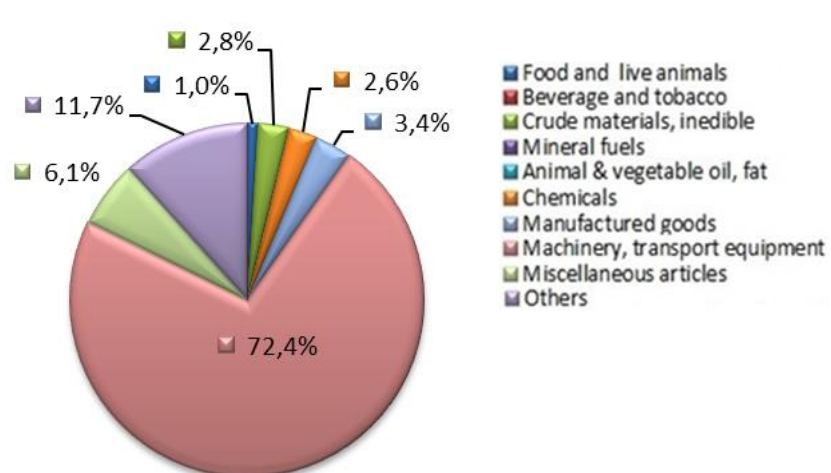
Trade between Slovakia and Japan (2014-21)



Slovakia exports to Japan



Japan exports to Slovakia





SLOVENIA

Area: 20,273 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 2,108,977 (+0.6%)

Capital: Ljubljana

Monetary unit: Euro (€)

GDP: 52,020 million € (+12.4% in 2021)

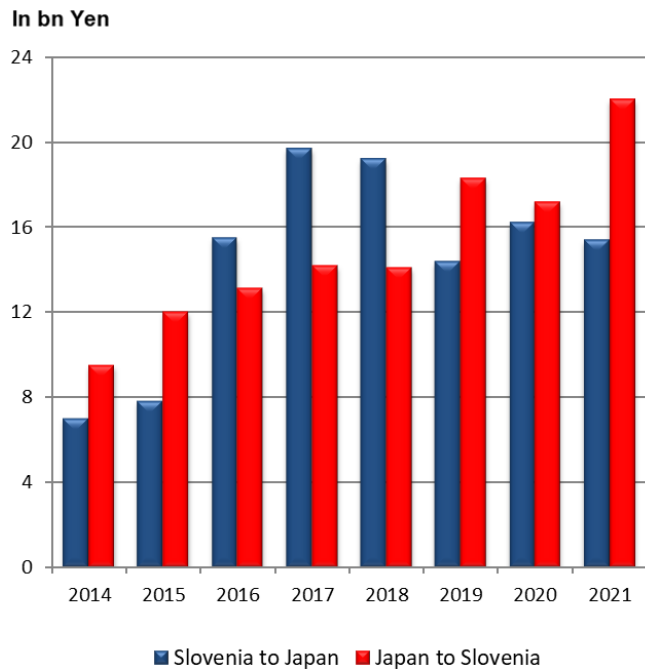
GDP per capita: 24,680 € (+12.1% in 2021)

Slovenian exports to Japan decreased by 4.9% in 2021, down to 15.4 billion yen. On the contrary, Japanese exports recorded a significant increase of 27.9% up to 22 billion yen.

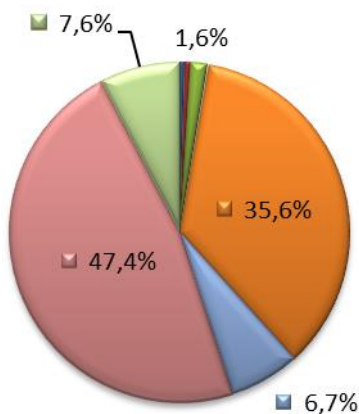
In 2021, Slovenia mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (47.4%) with a decrease of 8.8%, chemicals (35.6%) with also a decrease of 2.2%, and miscellaneous articles (7.6%), which increased by 19.4%.

Japan exported machinery & transport equipment (55.6%), which recorded a substantial increment of 62.8% compared to 2020, manufactured goods (21.8%) with a 12.3% increase, and chemicals (17.8%), which lost 19% of its value in one year.

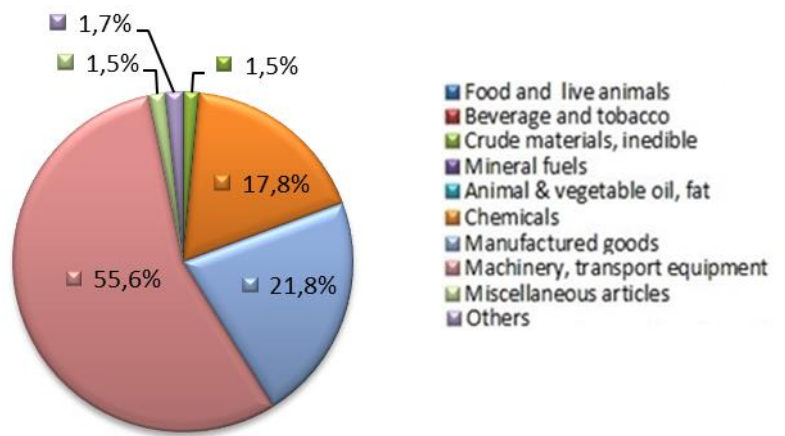
Trade between Slovenia and Japan (2014-21)



Slovenia exports to Japan



Japan exports to Slovenia





SPAIN

Area: 504,782 km²
Population 1st Jan. 21: 47,394,223 (+0.1%)
Capital: Madrid

Monetary unit: Euro (€)
GDP: 1,202,994 million € (+7.4% in 2021)
GDP per capita: 25,410 € (+7.5% in 2021)

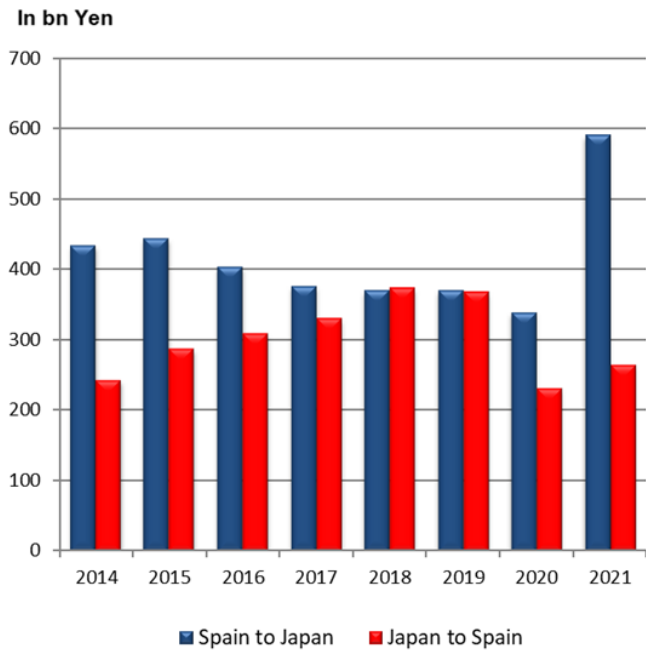
Compared to 2020, Spain's exports increased significantly by 74.7%, reaching 590.5 billion yen, similarly, Japanese ones grew by 14.2% up to 263.7 billion yen.

In 2021, Spain, mainly exported chemical products (39.2%) whose value tripled compared to 2020, food & live animals (17%), and machinery & transport equipment (15.4%), both sectors increasing by 21% and 24.5% respectively.

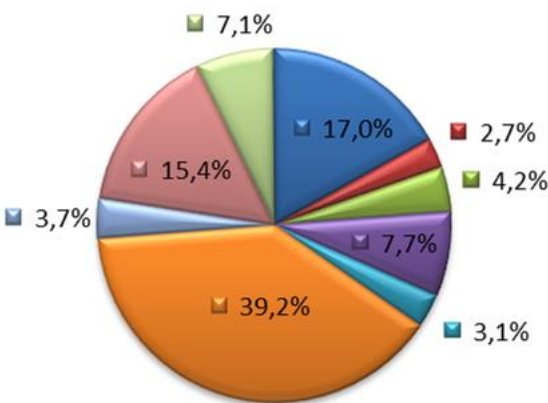
Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (66.3%), with a slight increment of 2%, manufactured goods (12.5%) which increased by 184.4% of its value in one year, and chemicals (8.4%), with a 7.2% decrease.

In February 2021, the New Tax Convention between Japan and Spain entered into force.¹⁰

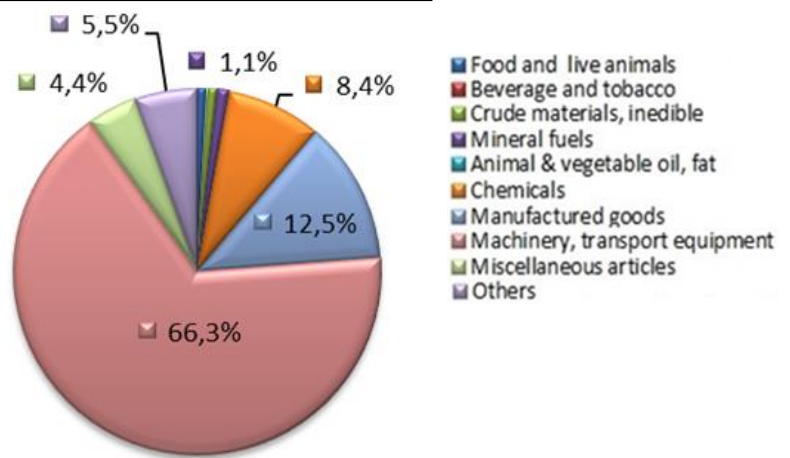
Trade between Spain and Japan (2014-21)



Spain exports to Japan



Japan exports to Spain



¹⁰ https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/press4e_002975.html



SWEDEN

Area: 449,964 km²

Population 1st Jan. 21: 10,379,295 (+0.5%)

Capital: Stockholm

Monetary unit: krona (kr)

GDP: 530,356 million € (+12.3% in 2021)

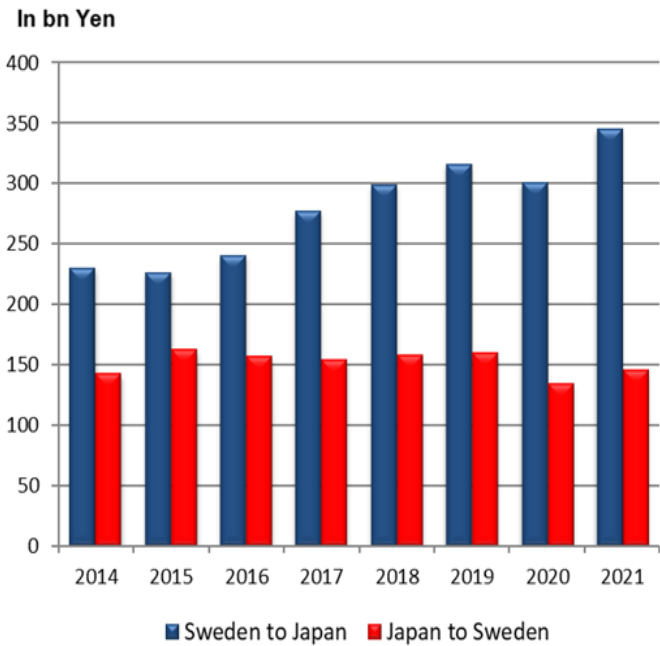
GDP per capita: 50,910 € (+11.6% in 2021)

In 2021, Swedish exports were worth 345.6 billion yen with a favourable increment of 14.6% from the previous year. Japan exports increased as well to 145.4 billion yen with an 8.9% growth.

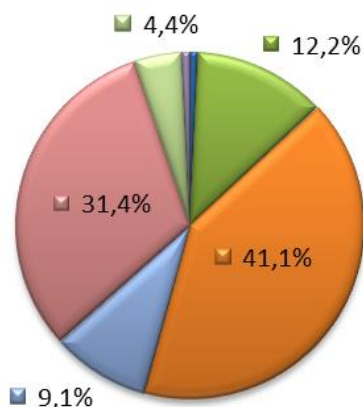
In 2021, Sweden mainly exported chemicals (41%), with a slight increase of 2%, machinery & transport equipment (31.4%), which increased by 22.5%, and crude materials & inedible (12.2%), also increasing by 55.7%.

Japan mainly exported machinery & transport equipment (70.8%), manufactured goods (11.8%) and other products (7.6%), all three sectors recording a positive increase of 3.2%, 25.4%, and 10% respectively.

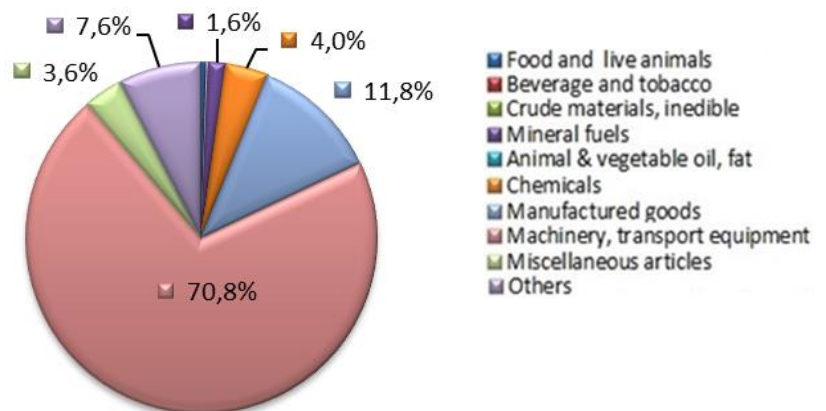
Trade between Sweden and Japan (2014-21)



Sweden exports to Japan



Japan exports to Sweden



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