

# GEORGIA & CANADA

## An integrated economy



Photo: Tim Hortons

### Tim Hortons comes to the Peach State

Iconic Canadian franchise **Tim Hortons** has expanded into the U.S. Southeast with a drive-through in Columbus and a gas station location in Midtown Atlanta. The coffee and bakery franchise plans to open 30 stores across the Peach State by 2027.

Tim Hortons which was founded in Canada in 1964 and has over 5,200 locations around the globe, is part of Toronto-based parent company **Restaurant Brands International (RBI)**, which runs its U.S. operations from a Miami headquarters, and is one of the world's largest quick service restaurant companies with over \$40 billion in annual system-wide sales. Other RBI brands include **Popeyes Chicken** and **Burger King**.



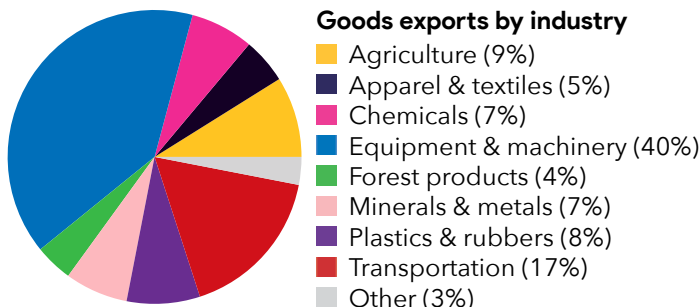
335 Canadian-owned companies employ **45,350 workers** in Georgia



Canada is the **#1 export market** for Georgia

### Georgia

**exports \$7.7 billion** in goods to Canada annually



### Georgia exports \$2.1 billion in services to Canada, including

Business services	\$685 million
Charges for the use of intellectual property	\$423 million
Financial services	\$363 million
Travel (including for education)	\$282 million
Telecommunications & information services	\$195 million

### Top Georgia goods exports to Canada

Plastics & plastic articles	\$494 million
Optical, medical & precision instruments	\$442 million
Automobiles	\$432 million
Aircraft & parts	\$310 million
Electric motors & generators	\$306 million
Tractors	\$277 million
Heating, cooling & refrigeration equipment	\$231 million
Paper & paperboard	\$213 million
Carpets	\$186 million
Hoists, derricks & lifting equipment	\$171 million



Photo: Crane Transportation

## Titanium acquires Crane Transport

In its first U.S. asset acquisition, Ontario-based **Titanium Transportation Group** has acquired Oakwood truckload specialist **Crane Transport** to drive growth of its U.S. logistics business. The deal will enable an expansion of the Canadian company's U.S. presence through Crane's terminals in Georgia and Alabama.

Danny Crane, Founder and CEO of Crane Transport, noted, "I am confident that Titanium's strong platform and growth strategy will be a perfect fit for Crane. Their focus on innovation and technology, as well as culture will provide opportunities of growth for our employees, while continuing to deliver reliable service to customers, every mile of the way."



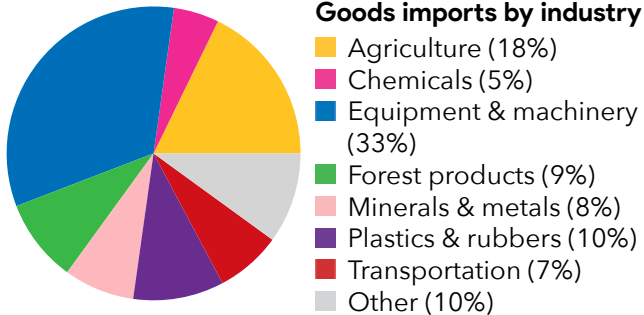
Photo: Stantec

## Improving Qcells' manufacturing operations

Edmonton-based **Stantec**, a global leader in sustainable design, was one of the firms selected to provide construction, architecture, mechanical/electrical/plumbing engineering, structural/civil engineering, as well as environmental, water, and wastewater services for solar giant **Qcells'** historic \$2.5 billion solar project in Cartersville. It is the largest solar production plant in the U.S. history, and among the largest manufacturing projects in Georgia's history. The new facility houses the entire solar panel manufacturing process, reducing U.S. dependency on foreign photovoltaic manufacturers. Stantec's industry-leading integrated architectural and engineering team works within the global industrial sector, helping advanced manufacturing clients improve their operations, reduce costs, and optimize production flows.

## Georgia

**imports \$6.5 billion**  
in goods from Canada annually



## Top Georgia goods imports from Canada

Engines & turbines.....	\$1.1 billion
Plastics & plastic articles.....	\$586 million
Pasta, breads & cereal preparations.....	\$312 million
Animal or vegetable fats, oils & waxes.....	\$289 million
Aircraft & parts.....	\$229 million
Paper & paperboard.....	\$200 million
Aluminum & aluminum articles.....	\$184 million
Softwood lumber.....	\$167 million
Furniture & bedding.....	\$152 million
Wood & semi-finished wood products.....	\$128 million

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Sources: All figures are in U.S. dollars. Unless otherwise specified, all figures are based on 2023 data. **U.S. Census Bureau:** goods trade, Canada's export ranking (2/2024 release). **Trade Partnership:** 2022 services trade (2/2024 release). **Dun & Bradstreet:** Canadian-owned businesses operating in the U.S. (12/2023 release). Figures may not add up due to rounding. Produced by the Embassy of Canada in Washington, D.C.

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