

Mountain-Plains: Price Movements of Top Exports and Other Highlights

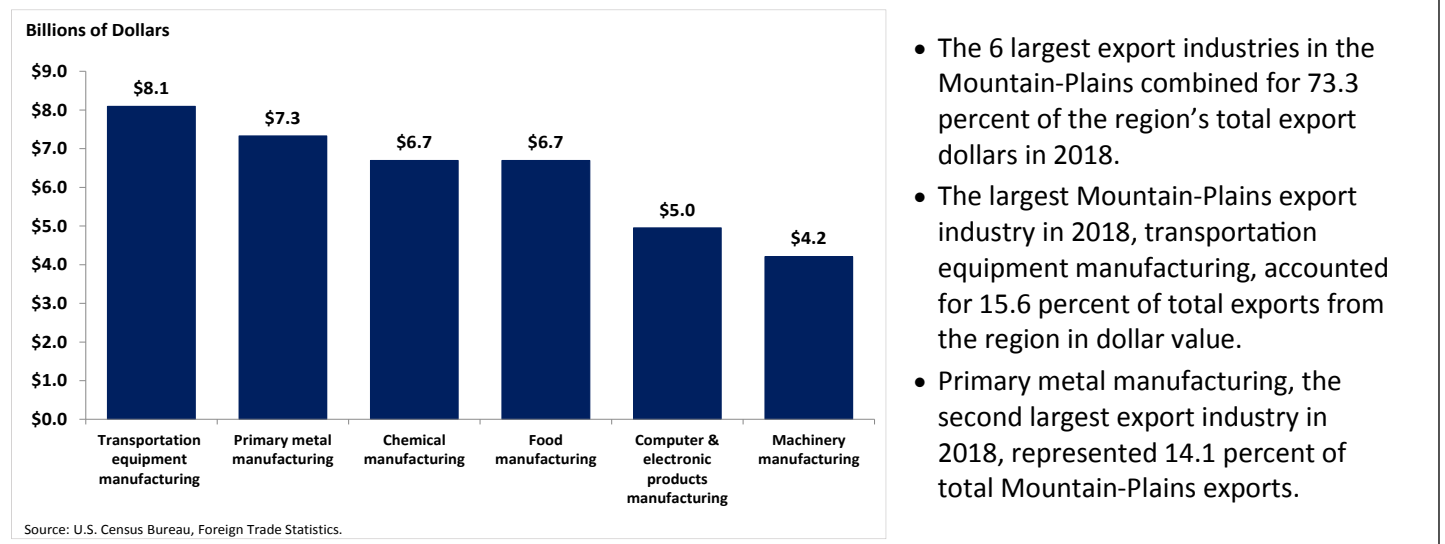
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The Mountain-Plains region, which consists of Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming, exported a total trade value of \$51.8 billion in 2018, increasing 8.2 percent from 2017. Export prices for transportation equipment manufacturing, primary metal manufacturing, and food manufacturing rose from April to July. Chemical manufacturing export prices fell for the same period. Export manufacturing prices decreased for the 3 months ended in July.

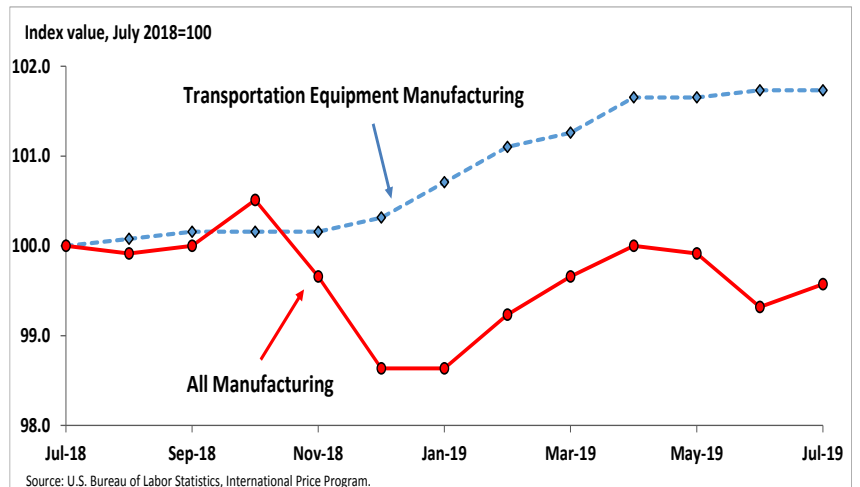


Top Six Mountain-Plains Exports by Trade Dollar Value, 2018



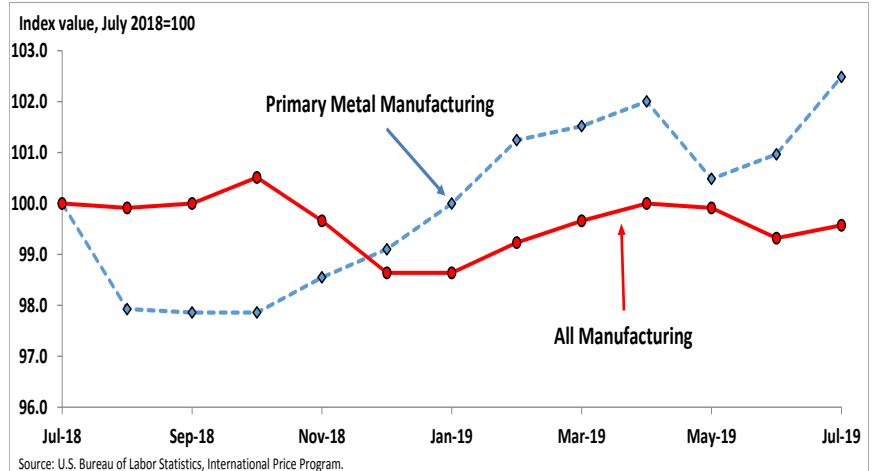
U.S. Export Price Indexes: Transportation Equipment Manufacturing

- Export transportation equipment manufacturing prices rose 0.1 percent from April to July.
- Prices for transportation equipment manufacturing exports increased 1.7 percent over the past year.
- The 12-month advance in transportation equipment manufacturing prices was driven by a 3.1-percent rise in motor vehicle body and trailer manufacturing prices.

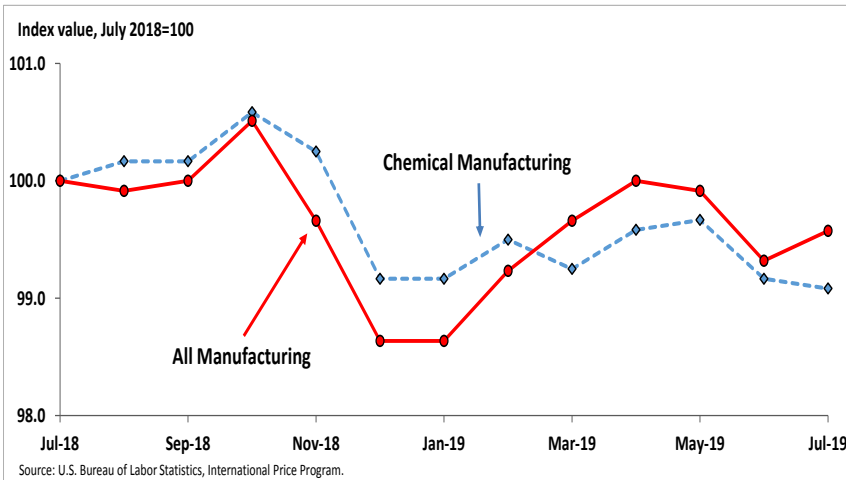


U.S. Export Price Indexes: Primary Metal Manufacturing

- Primary metal manufacturing export prices rose 0.5 percent over the past 3 months.
- Prices for primary metal manufacturing exports rose 2.5 percent for the 12 months ended in July.
- Nonferrous metal (except aluminum) production and processing prices increased 8.0 percent over the past year, driving the 12-month rise in primary metal manufacturing.



U.S. Export Price Indexes: Chemical Manufacturing



- Prices for chemical manufacturing exports declined 0.5 percent over the past 3 months.
- Export chemical manufacturing prices fell 0.9 percent over the past year.
- The 12-month decline was the largest over-the-year decrease since chemical manufacturing export prices declined 1.1 percent in July 2017.

U.S. Export Price Indexes: Food Manufacturing

- Food manufacturing export prices rose 2.0 percent from April to July.
- The food manufacturing export price index advanced 2.0 percent for the 12 months ended in July.
- Higher animal slaughtering and processing and dairy product manufacturing prices drove the over the year advance.

