

Royalties and License Fee Imports



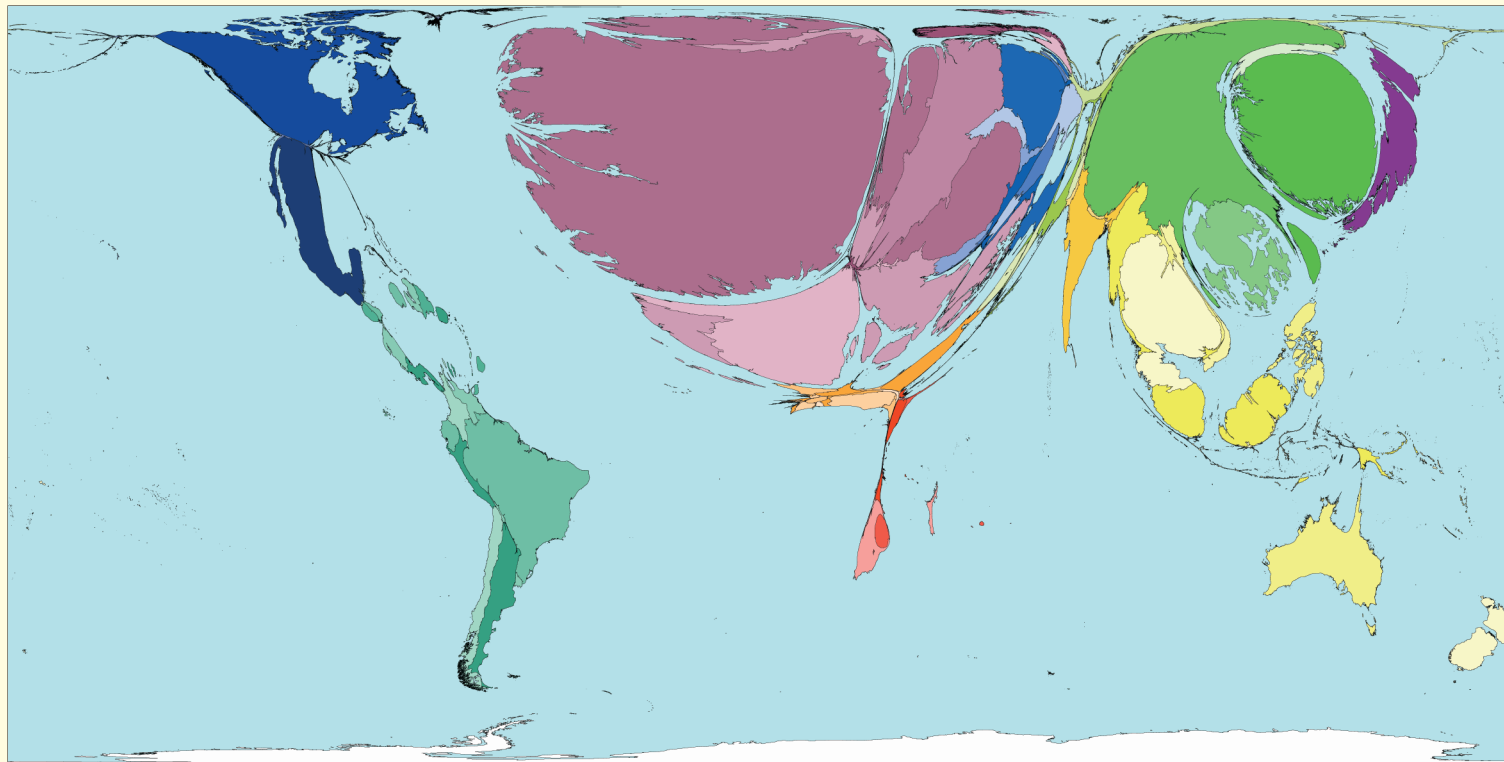
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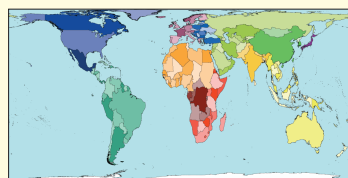
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Ireland imports (US\$ net) the most royalties and license fees out of all territories in the world. The value of net imports of these services to Ireland is more than three times higher than the next biggest importer, which is China. Ireland's imports, when divided by the population, are also the highest per person imports in the world. The second biggest per person importer, Hong Kong, imports (net) only a fifteenth of what Ireland imports per head of population.

The high imports to Ireland partly reflect one method multinational companies use to maximise profits made, through exporting goods into the European Union via Ireland.

Territory size shows the proportion of worldwide net imports of royalties and license fees (in US\$) that are received there. Net imports are imports minus exports. When exports are larger than imports the territory is not shown.



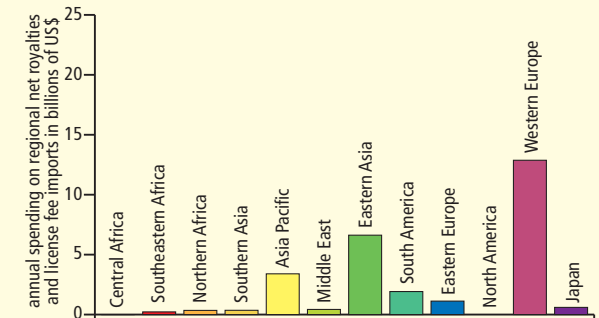
Land area

MOST AND LEAST US\$ OF NET ROYALTIES AND LICENSE IMPORTS

Rank	Territory	Value	Rank	Territory	Value
1	Ireland	2748	141	Belarus	0.24
2	Hong Kong (China)	181	142	Guinea	0.09
3	Austria	116	143	Pakistan	0.08
4	Barbados	80	144	Tajikistan	0.07
5	New Zealand	68	145	Mali	0.05
6	Canada	59	146	Rwanda	0.03
7	Republic of Korea	46	147	Bangladesh	0.02
8	Swaziland	41	148	Malawi	0.02
9	Netherlands	41	149	Angola	0.02
10	Australia	36	...	Southeastern Africa Average	0.01

US\$ worth of net royalties and license imports per person living in that territory*

REGIONAL NET ROYALTIES AND LICENSE EXPORTS



Technical notes

- Data source: United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 2002.
- *There were no net royalties and export fees imports recorded for 42 territories.
- Note that nine territories in Southeastern Asia used the regional average.
- See website for further information.

“It will boost international trade and deliver an enhanced and harmonized trademark procedure that will benefit nations, brands and businesses.”

Burhan Gafoor, 2006 [on the Singapore Treaty on Trademarks]