Metal Imports

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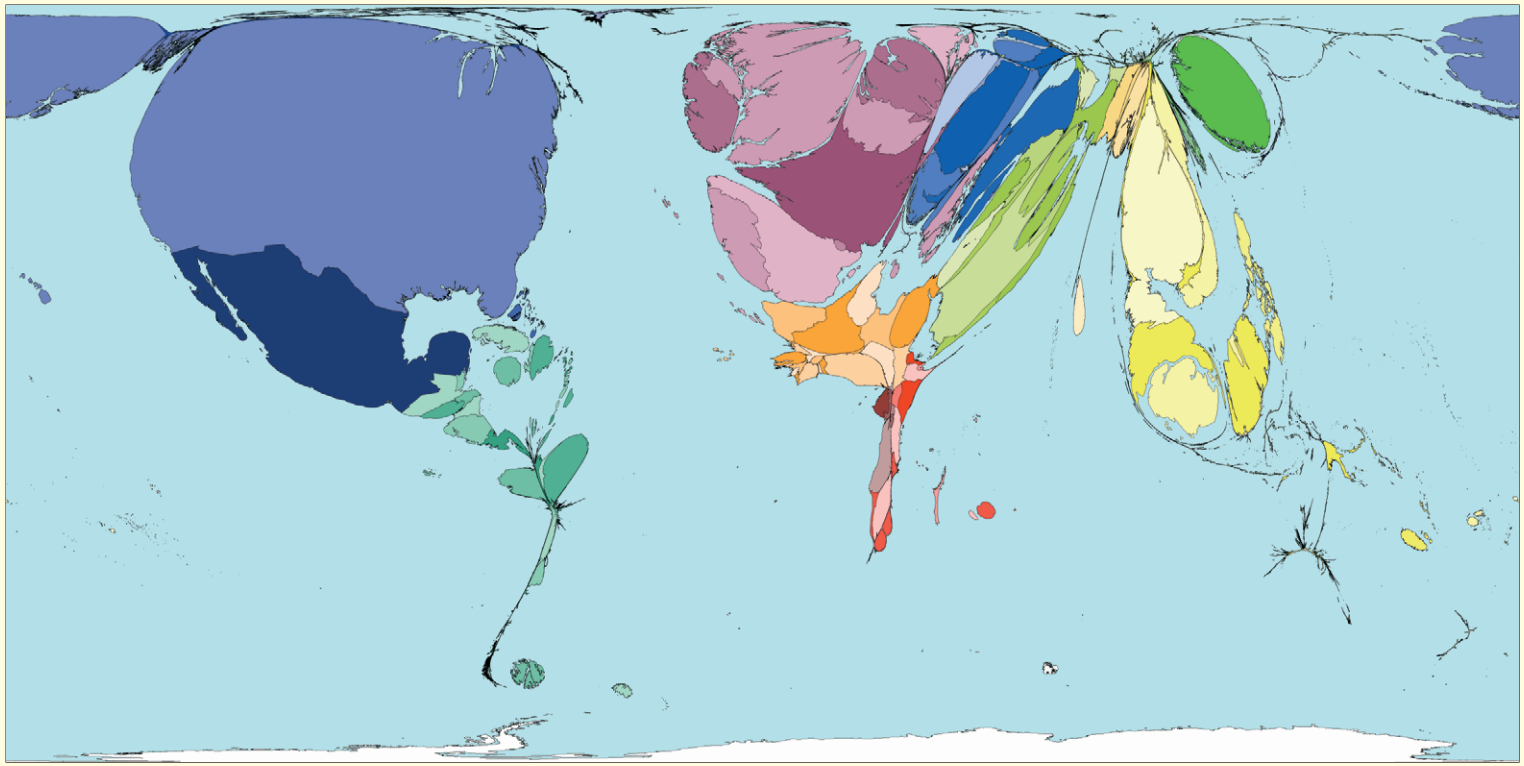
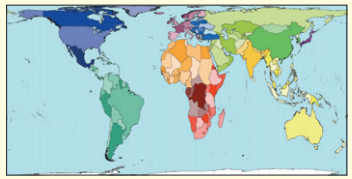


North America brings in the highest net regional metal imports, receiving 82% of all regional net metal imports. The two territories importing the most metals worldwide (US$ net) are the United States and Mexico.

Three quarters of territories are net metal importers (one quarter are net exporters). The territories with the highest net imports within other regions are: Angola in Central Africa; Botswana in Southeastern Africa; Algeria in North Africa; Bangladesh in Southern Asia; Thailand in Asia Pacific; Saudi Arabia in the Middle East; Taiwan in Eastern Asia; Guatemala in South America; Hungary in Eastern Europe; and the United Kingdom in Western Europe. There are more exports of metal from, than imports to Japan.

Territory size shows the proportion of worldwide net imports of metals (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

Technical notes

- Data source: United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 2002.
- *There were no net imports of metals recorded for 52 territories.
- Metals include, but are not limited to cutlery, tools, copper and aluminium.
- See website for further information.

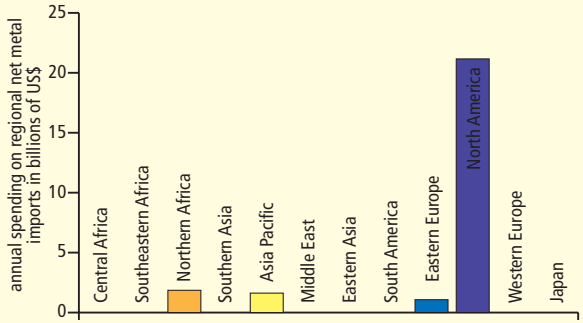
MOST AND LEAST US$ OF NET METAL IMPORTS

Rank	Territory	Value
1	Andorra	460
2	Greenland	353
3	Qatar	323
4	Saint Kitts & Nevis	283
5	Singapore	281
6	Bahamas	239
7	Tuvalu	226
8	Seychelles	178
9	Ireland	161
10	Cyprus	156

Rank	Territory	Value
139	Burkina Faso	1.04
140	Central African Republic	0.94
141	Togo	0.93
142	Bolivia	0.92
143	Rwanda	0.84
144	Burundi	0.83
145	Ethiopia	0.76
146	Kyrgyzstan	0.61
147	Niger	0.46
148	Comoros	0.41

*US$ worth of annual metals imports per person living in that territory**

REGIONAL NET METAL IMPORTS



"Mankind has been using copper, lead and tin for thousands of years and yet today more aluminium is produced than all other non-ferrous metals combined"

World Aluminium, 2000

