

Electronics Imports



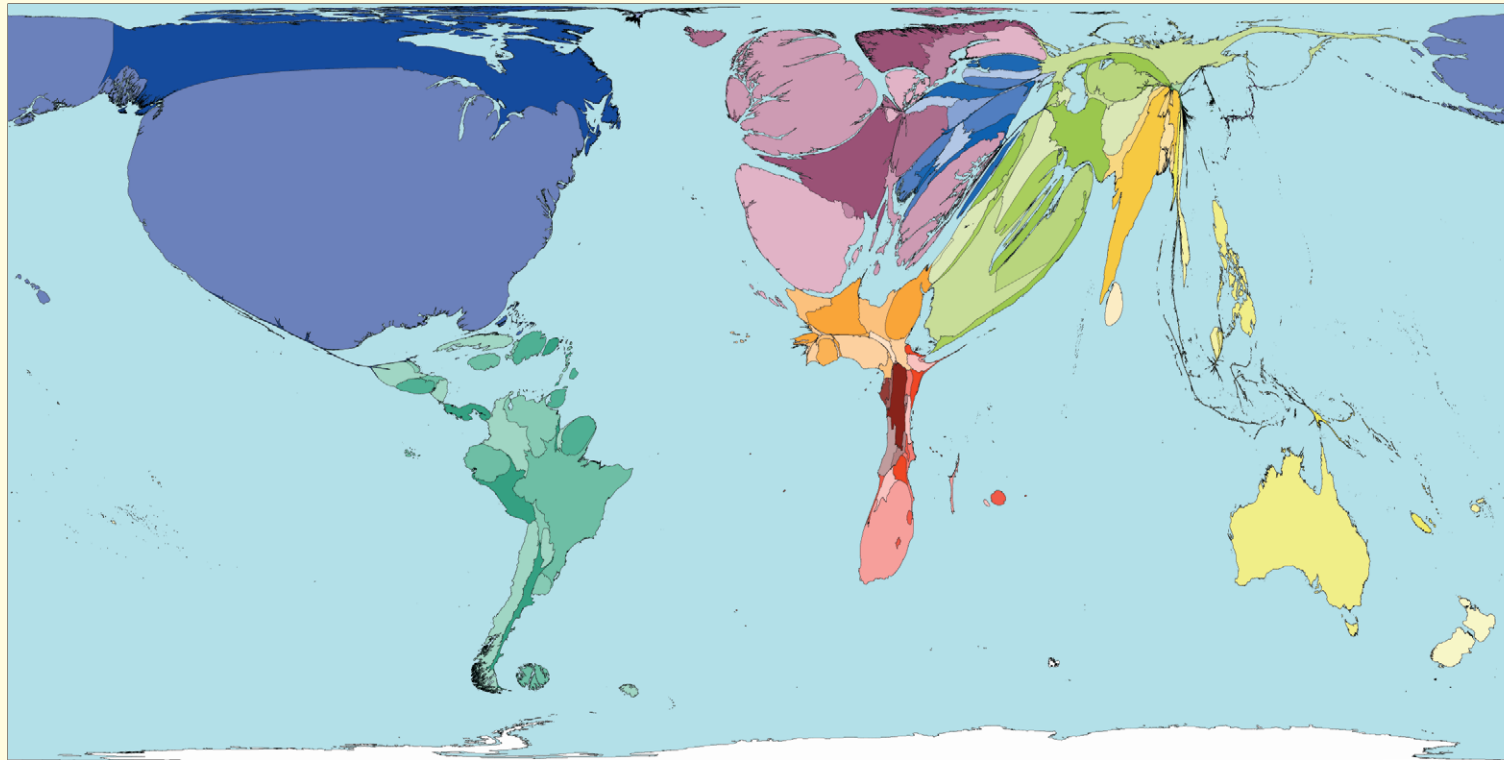
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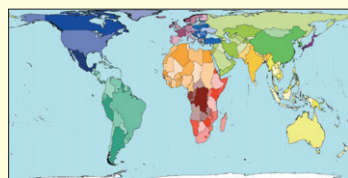


Whilst many people use electronic items as part of their day to day life, others have very little contact with electronics. This is particularly the case if someone has no electricity supply, or an insecure electricity supply.

The United States is a major net importer of electronics, people living there spend US\$47 billion per year on imported electronics.

North American territories import (US\$ net) almost half of all electronics traded worldwide. North African territories, with a similar total population size to that of North America, import only around 5% of the electronics imported (net) by North American territories.

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



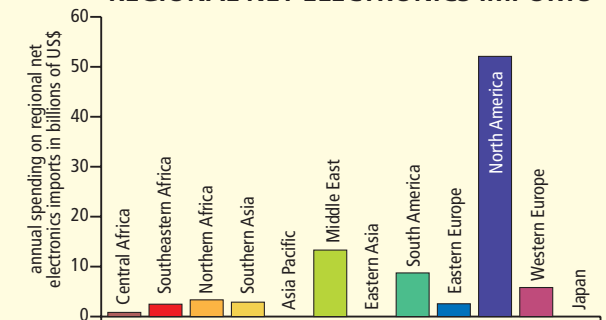
Land area

MOST AND LEAST US\$ OF NET ELECTRONICS IMPORTS

| Rank | Territory | Value | Rank | Territory | Value |
|------|----------------------|-------|------|--------------------------|-------|
| 1 | Andorra | 1680 | 160 | Comoros | 1.35 |
| 2 | Qatar | 658 | 161 | Ukraine | 1.08 |
| 3 | Iceland | 649 | 162 | Kyrgyzstan | 1.07 |
| 4 | United Arab Emirates | 611 | 163 | Sierra Leone | 1.06 |
| 5 | Greenland | 410 | 164 | Niger | 1.02 |
| 6 | Bahrain | 403 | 165 | Somalia | 0.97 |
| 7 | Norway | 400 | 166 | Burundi | 0.85 |
| 8 | Canada | 399 | 167 | Central African Republic | 0.70 |
| 9 | Brunei Darussalam | 396 | 168 | Mali | 0.50 |
| 10 | Estonia | 306 | 169 | Liberia | 0.37 |

US\$ worth of electronics imported per person living in that territory*

REGIONAL NET ELECTRONICS IMPORTS



Technical notes

- Data source: United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 2002.
- *There were no net electronics imports recorded for 31 territories.
- See website for further information.

“Andorra was born of commerce and lives by commerce. It is a nation of merchants ... people don’t just come to ski, they come shopping.”

Christian Perez, 1999