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Taiwan's exports value and total trade value for 2025 ranked 12<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> in the world, marking the best performance in nearly 32 and 23 years, respectively.

1. In 2025, the global economy was driven by the rapid expansion of artificial intelligence (AI) application, with a strong related demand and boosting trade momentum across countries. According to the latest world merchandise statistics issued by the WTO, world merchandise exports totaled US\$26.3 trillion in 2025, an increase of 7.2% from the previous year. Mainland China's merchandise exports accounted for 14.4% of world merchandise exports, ranking 1st in the world. The United States (8.3%) was second to Mainland China, followed by Germany (6.7%), and the Netherlands (3.8%). Hong Kong accounted for 2.9%, ranking 5<sup>th</sup> in the world, increasing from 8<sup>th</sup> place in 2024. Japan accounted for 2.8%, ranking 6<sup>th</sup> in the world, a decrease from 5<sup>th</sup> place in 2024. South Korea's merchandise exports totaled US\$709 billion, accounting for 2.7% of world merchandise exports and ranking 8<sup>th</sup> in the world, a decrease from 6<sup>th</sup> place in 2024. Taiwan's merchandise exports totaled US\$640 billion, which accounted for 2.4% of world merchandise exports and ranked 12<sup>th</sup> in the world, an increase from 16<sup>th</sup> place in 2024, marking the best ranking since 1994 (11<sup>th</sup> in 1993). Singapore accounted for 2.2%, ranking 14<sup>th</sup> in the world, increasing from 15<sup>th</sup> place in 2024.
2. In the global import value ranking, among the Four Asian Tigers, Hong Kong and South Korea ranked 6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, respectively, with Singapore ranking 18<sup>th</sup>. Taiwan's imports accounted for 1.8% of world merchandise imports, ranking 19<sup>th</sup> in the world, decreasing from 18<sup>th</sup> place in 2024. In 2025, Taiwan's total trade value ranked 15<sup>th</sup> (18<sup>th</sup> in 2024), making its best performance since 2003 (15<sup>th</sup> in 2002).

## Major Economies' Merchandise Trade Values and Ranks in 2025

Unit: US\$ Billion

	Mainland China	U.S.A.	Germany	Hong Kong	Japan	South Korea	Taiwan	Singapore
Exports	3,772	2,185	1,764	754	738	709	640	567
Exports Rank	1	2	3	5	6	8	12	14
Imports	2,583	3,507	1,543	832	756	632	484	506
Imports Rank	2	1	3	6	8	12	19	18
Total value	6,355	5,692	3,307	1,585	1,494	1,341	1,124	1,073
Total Rank	1	2	3	5	7	11	15	17

3. As for the changes in merchandise export proportions, Taiwan has benefited from AI business opportunities and maintains a strong competitive advantage in the semiconductor and ICT supply chains. Its export proportion increased by 0.5 percentage points (p.p.) in 2025 compared with the previous year, surpassing the other major economies listed in the table. Hong Kong and Singapore also saw increases of 0.3 p.p. and 0.1 p.p., respectively. The export proportions of Mainland China, the United States, Germany, Japan, and South Korea declined by 0.1p.p. to 0.2p.p. Compared with 2016, Mainland China and Taiwan performed better, with their export proportions increasing by 1.3p.p. and 0.7p.p., respectively. Germany and Japan's export proportions decreased by 1.6 p.p. and 1.2 p.p., respectively; the United States and South Korea also decreased by 0.7p.p. and 0.4p.p.

#### Change in Major Economies' Merchandise Export Proportions in Recent Years

Unit: % ; p.p.

Year	Mainland China	U.S.A.	Germany	Hong Kong	Japan	South Korea	Taiwan	Singapore
2016	13.1	9.0	8.3	3.2	4.0	3.1	1.7	2.1
2021	14.9	7.9	7.3	3.0	3.4	2.9	2.0	2.1
2022	14.2	8.3	6.7	2.4	3.0	2.7	1.9	2.1
2023	14.1	8.4	7.1	2.4	3.0	2.6	1.8	2.0
2024	14.6	8.4	6.8	2.6	2.9	2.8	1.9	2.1
2025	14.4	8.3	6.7	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.4	2.2
Compared to 2016	1.3	-0.7	-1.6	-0.3	-1.2	-0.4	0.7	0.1
Compared to 2024	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.5	0.1

Data Source: Department of Statistics, Ministry of Finance; WTO.

Notes: 1. Taiwan's rankings are based on MOF statistics. Changes in 2025 trade rankings for all countries are compared with the figures released by the WTO in the previous year.

2. Historical changes in rankings are calculated by reordering data from the WTO database for comparison.

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