

This guide lists just a few high-quality sources of **freely-available** international business statistics. Many other sources, some of which are only available to you while you are a Kwantlen student, are listed on the Kwantlen Library's subject guide for **Trade Statistics**:

http://www.kwantlen.ca/library/subjects/busi_stats/tradestats.html

Start here:

Import/Export Business Accelerator Guide

<http://www.sba-bc.ca/guide/import-export-business-accelerator-guide>

- From the Small Business Accelerator guide series
- Excellent list of resources on how to get started, find industry info, find competitive info and find customer info related to exporting
- focus is on freely-available resources for BC entrepreneurs

Doing Business in Other Countries

UHY Doing Business Guides <http://www.uhy.com/pages/resources/doing-business-guides.php>

- highly-regarded guides for 65 countries from UK international consulting firm

Country Insights <http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/cfsi-icse/cil-cai/index-eng.asp>

- good source of cultural information, including business etiquette and customs

Business Planet (World Bank) <http://rru.worldbank.org/businessplanet/>

- country-mapping tool produces visual rankings of business conditions in almost 200 countries
- draws on five World Bank survey databases: Doing Business, Enterprise Surveys, Privatization, Private Investment and Entrepreneurship.

World Trade Organization Statistics Database <http://stat.wto.org/Home/WSDBHome.aspx?Language=E>

- provides handy 2-page country profiles with key statistics, trade agreements, services/infrastructure, and status of trade disputes
- also provides access to selected historical time-series data to track trends.

Statistics

UNdata <http://data.un.org/>

- an incredible collection of free data from over 30 UN databases, including COMTRADE, and extensive economic, social and demographic data. Excellent visualization tools for mapping and graphing.

Trade Data Online (TDO) <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/tdo-dcd.nsf/eng/home>

- very current statistics from Industry Canada on Canadian and provincial trade with over 200 partners at the 6-digit HS code level; searchable by product or by industry.

International Trade <http://www5.statcan.gc.ca/subject-sujet/theme-theme.action?pid=1130&lang=eng&more=0>

- groups Statistics Canada data sources into broad categories (such as 'Merchandise Exports')

Market Analysis Tools <http://legacy.intracen.org/marketanalysis/default.aspx>

- International Trade Centre's suite of mapping tools: trade, market access, investment, trade competitiveness and standards
- register for 10-day free trial