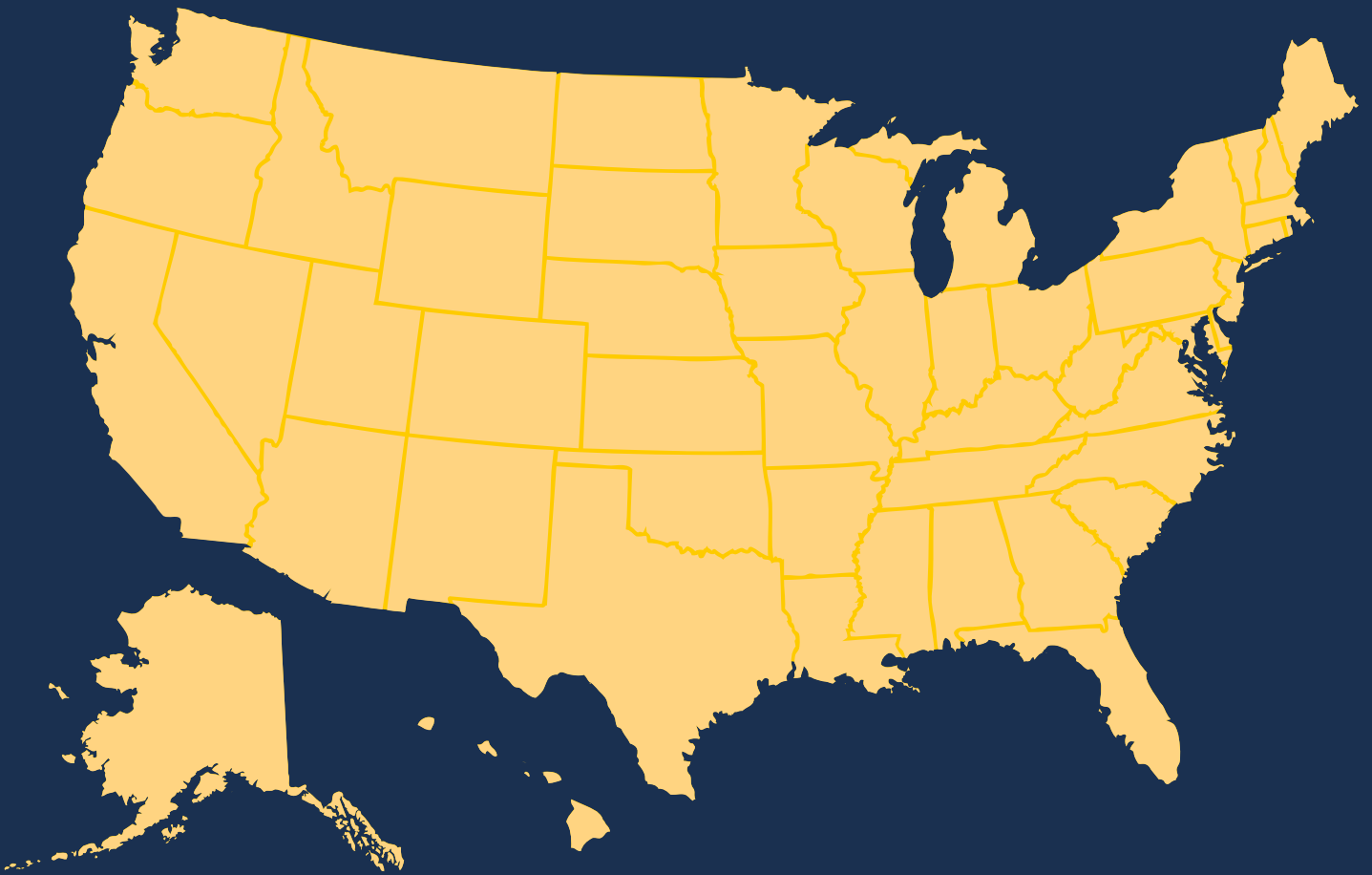


Sweden Creates Jobs in the United States

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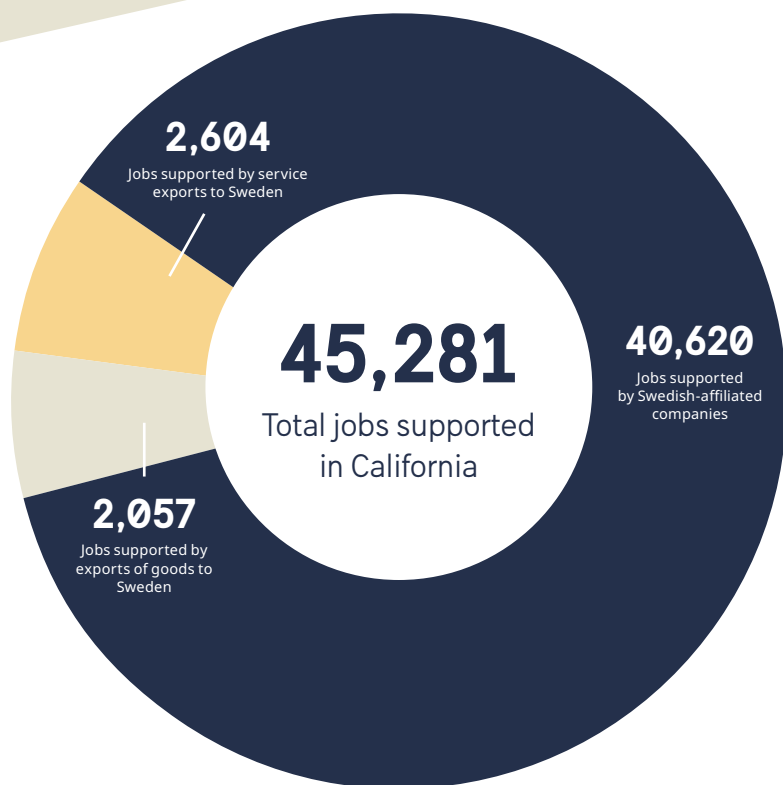


Embassy of Sweden
Washington



Swedish Economic Impact on

California



\$1.3b

Export of goods to Sweden

311,507

State residents of Swedish descent

California's top 3 export product categories to Sweden in 2025 were aerospace products & parts, computer equipment and navigational/medical/control instruments.

Sweden and California have partnered through a joint agreement to accelerate innovation in clean technology and the green transition, strengthening cooperation on climate solutions across industry and research.



Heart Aerospace's X1 demonstrator, developed in California, recently received FAA approval for flight testing and is expected to become the largest electric aircraft ever flown. The X1 supports development of Heart's ES-30, a 30-seat hybrid-electric regional aircraft designed to lower the cost of air travel and bring electric aviation into everyday airline service. Heart media library



Swedish Economic Impact on

California



Swedish-affiliated companies located in California

AAK
Acne Studios
Advanced BioMatrix
Alfa Laval
American Bolt & Screw
Ameristar
Amferia
Anticimex
Apica
Arcwood Environmental
Assa Abloy
AstraZeneca
Atlas Copco
Axis
b-reel
Beckers Group
Bergen Logistics
Biotage
Bolon
Bound Tree Medical
BTS
Camfil
Candela
Capish
Captured Dimensions
Cavotec
Cellink
CellMark
CGTech
Clinical Laserthermia Systems
Consilium
COS
Creandum
Crystal Dynamics
Cycleurope
Cypress Creek
Dark Horse
Deep Silver
Dellner
DoorBird
DPI Merchandising

Duxiana
Echo
EdgeConneX
eivis
Ekman
Elanders
Electrolux Group
Electrolux Professional Group
Elektro
Elektron
Embedl
Embracer Freemode
Enea
Eolus
Epidemic Sound
Epiroc
EQT
Ericsson
Essen
Etac
Eton
Fjallraven
ftrack
G5 Entertainment
Geomagical Labs
GetAccept
Geveco
GibbsCAM
GWS Tool Group
H&M
Halon
Hästens
Heart Aerospace
HemoCue
Hexagon
Hexpol
Hiab
Hultafors
Humble Group
Husqvarna
IAR Systems

Igenomix
IKEA
Integrum
InvoTech
ITAB
Joint Academy
Klarna
Kvaser
Kwikset
Lazer Logistics
Legora
LELO
Level
Loomis
Lovable
Luxer One
Magnit
Mavatar
Mentor Media
Mercuri International
Mercury
Merit Cables
Middle-earth Enterprises
MilDef
Mycronic
Nefab
Neonode
Net Insight
Nilorn
Nudie Jeans
OctoFrost
Paradox Interactive
Perficient
Pfister Faucets
Pinevision
Plaion
Polestar
Polygon
Prevost
Prover
RaySearch Laboratories
RedOctane
Reworld
SAAB
Scale Microgrids
Seaflex

Securitas
Sensys Networks (Citilog)
Sigma Software
Sigman Connectivity
Silex Microsystems
Silvent
Sinch
Skanska
Snapshot Games
Spotify
Stiles
Stråla Skincare
Symetri
Taskrabbit
Teledyne SP Devices
Tell
Tetra Pak
The Humble Co.
Therm-X

Things From Another World
TOTEME
Transcom
Trelleborg
Tri-anim
Trustly
Uddeholm
United Access
Valterra
Vericut
Verisurf
Vertigo Games
Vitrolife
Volvo Cars
WSO2
Yubico
ZeroPoint Technologies



SWEDEN AND THE US:

A Longstanding Partnership Of Trade And Innovation

The relationship between Sweden and the United States spans nearly 400 years. Since the founding of New Sweden in 1638, Swedes and Swedish Americans have contributed to the US's scientific, economic, and cultural development in countless ways. Today, Swedish entrepreneurship remains a vital part of the American economy, with Sweden ranking as the **9th-largest foreign investor in the United States and the 4th-fastest-growing source of foreign direct investment**, supporting more than 400,000 jobs across all 50 states and reaching 97% of congressional districts.

Sweden was among the first countries to recognize the United States as an independent nation in 1783. Today, the United States is Sweden's largest trading partner outside Europe, reflecting the deep and enduring economic ties that continue to strengthen the partnership between our nations. Between the mid-19th and

early 20th centuries, economic hardship led approximately 1.3 million Swedes to emigrate to North America—nearly one-third of Sweden's population at the time. Many settled in the American Midwest, where Swedish heritage and traditions still flourish.

The impact of Swedish immigrants on American business remains significant. Notable U.S. companies founded by individuals of Swedish origin include Greyhound, Nordstrom, and Walgreens. Innovation is another powerful bond between Sweden and the United States. Both countries consistently rank among the world's leading innovators, and generations of American researchers, scientists, and institutions have been honored with Nobel Prizes awarded in Sweden since 1901. Together, Sweden and the United States continue to drive advances in science, technology, medicine, and sustainability that improve lives around the world.

3,335,811
US residents
identify as being of
Swedish ancestry,
representing 1.0%
of the total U.S.
population.



Caption: Indianapolis, Indiana. A Greyhound bus station, 1943, Esther Bubley, Library of Congress, Prints & Photographs Division.

THIS IS SWEDEN

Sweden is the third largest country in the European Union with a landmass approximately the size of California and a population of 10.6 million. It is a constitutional monarchy with a parliamentary system and is home to the world's oldest freedom-of-the-press legislation.

Sweden consistently ranks among the top countries in the world for quality of life, education, healthcare, democracy, equality, innovation, environmental sustainability, and creativity. Its economic model combines free-market principles with a strong social welfare system.

The business culture is based on trust and collaboration. Flat hierarchies and a high degree of independence create space for creativity. Swedes have been behind a wealth of inventions that have changed the world, from the match and the adjustable spanner to Spotify and Klarna.

The self-aligning ball bearing, patented by Swedish inventor Sven Wingqvist in 1907, laid the foundation for SKF, now a global leader in bearing technology. [Imagebank.sweden.se](https://imagebank.sweden.se)



View over Riddarholmen and the tower of the City Hall in Stockholm. Björn Olin/Folio/imagebank.sweden.se

SWEDEN CREATES JOBS IN THE US

Sweden directly supports more than **400,000 jobs** in the United States.

- **803 Swedish-affiliated companies** operate across in the U.S., employing **350,018 people**
- U.S. exports of services to Sweden support **28,258 jobs**
- U.S. exports of goods to Sweden support **22,316 jobs**

Total jobs supported: 400,592

When including indirect employment—such as suppliers and subcontractors—the number of supported jobs approaches **one million**.

Swedish-affiliated companies are present in all 50 states, as well as Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico, spanning **3,255 locations** and reaching **97% of congressional districts**. All 50 states export goods and services to Sweden.

The United States is the largest destination for Swedish foreign direct investment. As of the end of 2024, Swedish direct investment in the U.S. totaled **\$131.5 billion**, making Sweden:

- the **9th largest foreign investor**
- the **4th fastest-growing investor**

For perspective, Sweden ranks only 91st globally by population.

Swedish companies are active across a wide range of sectors in the United States. Examples include transportation (Volvo), construction (Skanska), telecommunications (Ericsson), pharmaceuticals (AstraZeneca), fashion (H&M), home appliances (Electrolux), furniture (IKEA), defense (Saab), and tech (Spotify).