

Global Exports of Copper Scrap by Country and Year

(in metric tons)



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Top 20 Exporters	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
USA	906,511	908,130	842,573	1,041,918	1,242,556	1,189,395	1,154,931	1,043,916	954,167	943,552	1,004,215
Germany	480,697	478,640	450,012	578,451	584,804	592,067	518,631	530,557	517,706	474,634	497,359
United Kingdom	346,760	358,159	430,373	421,131	514,347	373,751	291,924	295,739	263,912	310,403	286,029
France	281,470	266,214	234,860	290,325	313,464	320,423	299,084	321,116	279,313	289,614	293,761
Netherlands	229,090	241,332	143,329	283,847	315,437	322,592	295,139	326,278	303,598	278,229	282,443
Japan	422,903	395,458	359,535	285,642	287,769	327,930	313,043	294,003	261,100	258,677	314,212
Italy	123,321	151,640	160,106	167,441	174,204	181,890	172,209	173,402	176,256	199,404	199,554
Canada	163,300	101,607	146,569	157,787	178,577	182,792	154,038	161,967	156,990	160,820	185,302
Spain	88,030	84,783	100,498	102,236	87,122	159,419	156,511	150,874	156,617	157,692	183,529
Mexico	122,307	128,715	107,995	125,982	116,266	147,260	144,087	114,051	114,313	123,419	133,433
Belgium	186,795	162,219	111,183	142,841	164,958	168,461	157,204	128,490	105,691	113,018	125,467
Saudi Arabia	96,213	64,827	61,521	90,154	89,716	107,358	110,809	118,991	108,336	91,367	NR
Switzerland	75,542	82,687	71,204	75,973	84,373	86,964	80,104	82,237	82,921	83,224	86,742
Rep. of Korea	216,151	191,500	186,958	100,090	84,608	119,105	95,652	85,669	71,322	82,296	96,775
United Arab Emirates	47,483	53,969	48,001	71,968	86,160	102,979	102,542	95,713	82,699	78,870	NR
Australia	48,389	51,267	62,433	73,613	80,381	85,246	104,034	88,052	81,192	76,866	80,377
Poland	62,221	60,838	53,456	71,215	59,537	48,478	58,936	61,677	62,962	74,120	68,411
Sweden	54,760	57,248	55,519	43,318	58,037	58,870	56,470	66,821	65,208	71,823	62,414
Thailand	106,897	76,378	69,669	66,368	74,604	81,413	69,364	69,562	59,260	70,773	NR
Chile	100	64	74	120,828	60,638	25,331	52,976	51,704	50,559	65,679	39,459
Rest of the World	1,170,400	1,102,671	1,035,128	1,246,076	1,330,620	1,331,332	3,595,315	5,530,427	2,249,692	986,166	642,903
Grand Total	5,229,339	5,018,347	4,730,997	5,557,203	5,988,176	6,024,926	5,589,066	5,351,580	5,021,164	4,990,647	4,582,383

***Notes**

- 1) Data tables were derived from the UN Comtrade Database (last downloaded on March 27, 2019)
- 2) Due to unresolved reporting questions, top 20 determined by 2016 reported data. NR = Not Reported
- 3) Export data adjusted for Pakistan, United Arab Emirates, and the United States