

Northern Ireland has very strong economic links with the US, when we look at a range of indicators, including visitors to NI, manufacturing exports, the number of US businesses operating in Northern Ireland and the number of local people American firms employ.

With it being around 4th July time, this graphic gives a snapshot of those strong economic links.

For further context, it is also worth noting, for instance, that US visitors spent nearly £55million in NI in 2014, which works out on average at nearly £300 per visitor, compared to £220 per English visitor, and around £200 per German visitor.

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Tech investments



Belfast is the world's top destination for financial services tech investments, with US firms such as CME

Production



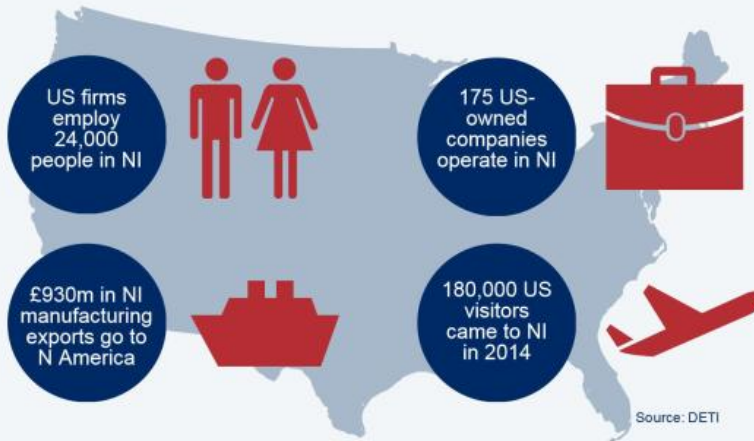
Several thousand people in NI are employed by US-owned production businesses, including Caterpillar

Retail



US-owned retail firms like Asda are major employers in Northern Ireland, accounting for thousands of jobs

Source: Invest NI



Source: DETI

Financial services



10% of the global FX market flows through Belfast every day (\$500billion) due to the presence here of firms like Citi

IT components



25% of all computer read/write heads are made by US-firm Seagate Technology in Derry-Londonderry

Crushing & screening



40% of the world's mobile crushing and screening equipment is made in NI by e.g. US-owned firm Terex

Source: Invest NI

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