

# export

## Georgia - Bahamas Connection

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### GOVERNMENT & COMMERCE

The Consulate General of the Bahamas is located in Atlanta. The Consulate strives to protect and endorse Bahamian interests in the United States as well as provide consular services. In addition, the consulate strives to increase trade between the United States and Bahamas, spur investment, and promote tourism in the Bahamas.

### TRADE RELATIONSHIP

In 2009, the Bahamas ranked 56<sup>th</sup> among Georgia's export destinations with exports totaling more than \$69.4 million. Georgia ranked 7<sup>th</sup> among U.S. states in exports to the Bahamas. Georgia led among states in exports of soap and newsprint. Georgia ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in exporting asphalt, refrigerators/freezers, and turbojets/turbo-propellers/gas turbines, and the state ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in exporting aluminum foil, polishes/creams, and organic cleaning agents.

In 2009, the Bahamas ranked 63<sup>rd</sup> among countries from which Georgia imports goods; our state ranked 4<sup>th</sup> among U.S. states receiving imports from the Bahamas with imports totaling more than \$35.4 million. Top imports included: plastics, mineral fuels/oils, pebbles, and articles of copper.

### TRANSPORTATION

Delta offers daily direct flights to Nassau, Bahamas.

Freeport is the major container port of the Bahamas.

### COMMUNITY & EDUCATION

As of 2006, 112 Bahamians were enrolled in the University System of Georgia.

The University System of Georgia offers five study abroad programs in the Bahamas.

The Atlanta Caribbean Association, which has long been a presence in Georgia, includes many Bahamians.

