

# export

## GEORGIA-CUBA CONNECTION

### GOVERNMENT & COMMERCE

Created in 1977, the Atlanta Cuban Club strives to promote Cuban heritage, culture, and history in the metro Atlanta area. In 2008, Enrique Dorta was elected president of the Club.

Georgia has led multiple agricultural delegations to Cuba, including a group of 15 Georgia legislators, farmers and exporters that attended the 2009 Havana International Fair to promote Georgia's crops, meat, and other agricultural products.

In June of 2010, Governor Sonny Perdue led a business delegation of agricultural, telecommunication, and medical device companies to Cuba to strengthen business ties between Georgia and Cuba.

### TRADE RELATIONSHIP

#### TRADE BALANCE

In 2010, the trade surplus between Georgia and Cuba equaled \$61.5 million.

#### EXPORTS

In 2010, Georgia exports to Cuba totaled close to **\$61.5 million**, which was a 43.7% increase over 2009.

Georgia ranked **3<sup>rd</sup>** among U.S. states exporting to Cuba, up from 6<sup>th</sup> in 2009.

RANK	STATE	2010	% OF TOTAL	% CHANGE OVER '09
	States	370,371,221	100	-30.48
1	Louisiana	120,065,381	32.42	-33.67
2	Connecticut	65,359,191	17.65	-1.65
<b>3</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>61,413,558</b>	<b>16.58</b>	<b>43.78</b>
4	Virginia	32,559,494	8.79	-42.82
5	Florida	26,967,098	7.28	-8.96
6	Mississippi	18,616,220	5.03	-60.74
7	Arkansas	12,639,102	3.41	166.06
8	North Carolina	12,455,722	3.36	-28.35
9	North Dakota	4,480,369	1.21	15,885.33
10	Alabama	3,806,749	1.03	-50.47



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Top exports from Georgia to Cuba include:

- Meat (poultry)
- prepared meats
- sugar
- fats and oils
- books and newspapers

Georgia leads the nation in the export of the following goods to Cuba:

- poultry
- pork
- sausage
- sugar
- margarine
- books and newspapers (2<sup>nd</sup>)
- animal fats (3<sup>rd</sup>)
- vegetable oils (3<sup>rd</sup>)

## IMPORTS

Due to the United States embargo against Cuba, Georgia does not import products from Cuba.

## COMMUNITY & EDUCATION

The Goizueta Business School of Emory University is named after Roberto Crispulo Goizueta, a native of Cuba, who served as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Coca-Cola Company for almost 20 years.

The Goizueta Foundation, based in Atlanta, is a non-profit organization striving to empower individuals and families to improve the quality of their lives through educational opportunities.

As of Fall 2007, there were 38 Cuban students enrolled in the University system of Georgia, as well as over 18,000 students enrolled in Spanish Language. Also, The University System has sent multiple study abroad programs to Cuba over the topics of Arts and Culture in Cuba, and Cuba at the Crossroads.

