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Korea-U.S. Trade Partnership

Working Together for Growth and Job Creation

Korea's Balance of Payments with the U.S.

1) Is Korea a major source of the U.S. trade deficit?

- During the first three quarters of 2010, the U.S. had only a \$2.9 billion trade deficit with Korea in goods and services. Trade between Korea and the U.S. is virtually balanced considering the **total trade volume of \$85 billion** between the two countries during the same period.



**As of September 2010; Source: U.S. International Transactions Account Data*

(Preliminary 2010 Q1, Q2 and Q3), BEA, U.S. Department of Commerce

- Since 2004, the U.S. trade deficit with Korea has been **decreasing** annually by an average of **\$2.6 billion per year**.

2) How does the U.S.-Korea trade deficit compare to other countries?

- During the first three quarters of 2010, the U.S. had only a **\$2.9 billion** trade deficit with Korea in trade of goods and services, whereas the U.S. had a **\$381.9 billion** trade deficit with the rest of the world.
- To put this number into perspective, below are the trade deficit figures with other leading U.S. trading partners:

U.S. Trading Partner	Trade Deficit (USD Billions)
China	\$194.1
Mexico	\$46.0
Germany	\$29.2
Japan	\$28.8
Korea	\$2.9

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce