

Virginia Studies VS.13

Virginia's Role in a Global Economy- (new 2023 standards)

Reformatted version created by SOLpass

www.solpass.org

VS.13A MAJOR PRODUCTS AND INDUSTRIES IN VIRGINIA

13a) examine major products and industries important to Virginia;

Virginia produces goods and services used across the U.S. and worldwide.

- **Agriculture:** poultry, cattle, dairy, apples, tobacco, peanuts
- **Manufacturing:** ships, tobacco products, food processing, chemicals
- **Technology & Communications:** computer chips, software, internet services
- **Government & Military:** the federal government and military bases provide many jobs
- **Tourism:** historic sites (Jamestown, Williamsburg, Civil War battlefields), state parks, and beaches bring visitors from around the globe
- **Service Industry:** banking, insurance, business services

 **Geographic features** influence the industries found in Virginia, for instance coastal **harbors** (like Norfolk) support shipping and the Navy; **fertile land** supports farming; **mountains** provide coal and timber.

 In summary, **Virginia's major natural resources, goods, and services** are coal, timber, seafood (especially crabs and oysters), poultry, cattle, dairy, apples, peanuts, ships, technology, and government/military services.

Printing and/or distribution of this document is authorized only for schools with **active SOLpass school subscriptions**.

Printing and/or distribution is **NOT authorized** for those with Family/home subscriptions of trial passwords.

Questions: contact maria@solpass.org

VS.13B THE IMPACT OF THE IDEAS, INNOVATIONS, AND ADVANCEMENTS OF VIRGINIANS ON A GLOBAL MARKET

13b) examine the impact of the ideas, innovations, and advancements of Virginians on a global market.

 **Innovation** means creating **new ideas, products**, or ways of doing things that **improve life**.

 **New technologies** and **innovation** impact individuals by creating **new jobs**, making **communication** and **travel** faster, and **connecting people** around the world.



Virginia's data centers connect the world



Port of Virginia in Norfolk ships products around the world

Virginians have influenced the global market through creativity and invention:

- Advances in **transportation and shipping** help Virginia **export** products around the world.
- **Technology and internet services** in Northern Virginia impact global business and communication.
- **Medical research and education** support worldwide health and learning.
- **Military and government leadership** in Virginia affects global security and policy.



Jamestown settlement



Civil War battlefield

Virginia's historical sites attract visitors from around the world.

How Virginia Connects Globally

- **Exports:** Virginia products are shipped to many countries.
- **Immigration:** New Virginians bring skills, culture, and innovation.
- **Tourism:** Virginia's rich history attracts visitors from around the world. Millions of visitors come to see Jamestown, Williamsburg, Civil War battlefields, and presidential homes—tourism creates jobs and income.
- **Technology:** Internet data centers in Virginia help connect people everywhere.

Summary – Virginia in the Global Economy

- Virginia's economy is connected to both the **U.S. and the world**.
- **Agriculture, technology, manufacturing, military, tourism, and services** are key industries.
- Advances in **transportation, communication, and shipping** make Virginia a global hub.
- **Immigration and diversity** bring new skills, cultures, and innovations to Virginia.
- Virginia's resources and industries allow it to play an important role in the **global marketplace**