## JETRO Global Trade and Investment Report 2024

- Division and Cooperation: International Business at the Crossroads -

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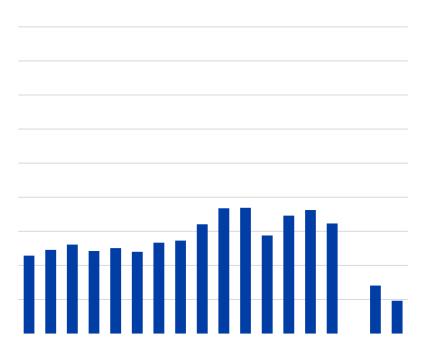
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# Japan Records Trade Deficit for Third Consecutive Year in 2023

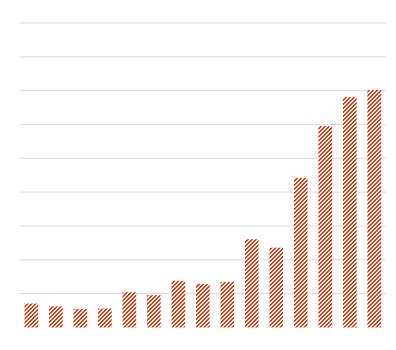
- In 2023, Japan's trade balance (on a customs-cleared basis) saw <u>exports fall 4.3% year-on-year to \$719.1 billion and imports decline 13.0% to \$787.5 billion</u>. Imports turned down as rises in energy prices slowed. <u>Exports were sluggish and another trade deficit was recorded</u>.
- Both export and import volumes declined in 2023, as in they did in the previous year. Volumes continue to shrink in 2024.

Japan Trade Trends

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# 1 | Export Controls: A Top Response to Geopolitical Risks

- Growing policy interventions by major countries amid heightened geopolitical risks are forcing Japanese companies to respond in a variety of ways.
- Export control (screening and training) reviews are a top response, followed by diversification of suppliers.

Responses to Geopolitical Risks

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