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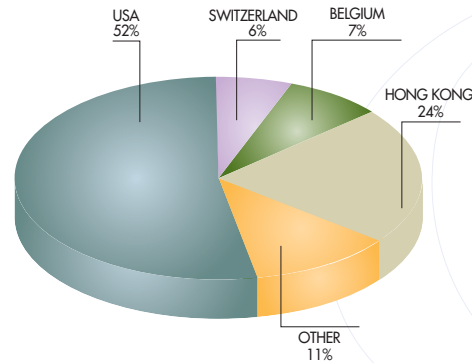
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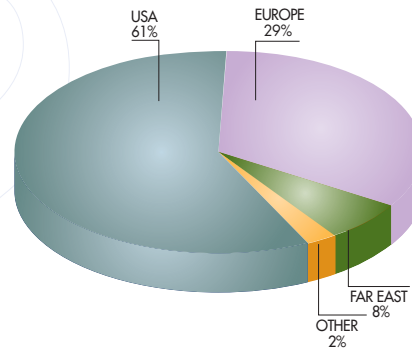
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Export of Polished Diamonds by Destination 2009



Export of Gold and Silver Jewelry by Destination 2009



Import and Export of Precious Stones (Gross)

	Import of rough \$	Import of polished \$	Export of polished \$
1999	12,455,626	14,779,565	61,812,335
2000	6,971,509	26,334,660	71,411,028
2001	6,328,663	18,903,074	64,247,439
2002	8,146,682	18,267,180	54,312,261
2003	5,609,025	23,667,011	60,146,961
2004	5,594,578	20,958,160	57,779,273
2005	4,865,741	17,853,810	52,575,094
2006	6,457,446	27,144,485	63,947,241
2007	7,113,208	23,190,201	72,113,604
2008	6,069,261	18,762,932	70,695,246
2009	4,010,054	16,958,692	59,997,665

Gross = Before returns

Export of Jewelry in millions of \$

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Gold Jewelry	345	324	312	330	210	87
of which: Inlaid	140	125	131	154	95	—
Silver & Fashion	40	56	78	80	125	209
Total	385	380	390	410	335	296

Export of Jewelry, by Destination in millions of \$

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
U.S.A.	262	262	269	250	191	181
Europe	96	92	94	125	85	85
Far East	16	15	15	25	20	24
Other	11	11	12	10	10	6
Total	385	380	390	410	335	296



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Import of Rough-Gem Diamonds

	Before returns		After returns	
	\$	carats	\$	carats
1999	4,150,212,106	14,372,830	3,869,100,107	13,458,066
2000	4,478,258,357	15,045,276	4,160,313,802	14,290,142
2001	3,711,494,264	19,749,349	3,381,915,127	18,361,975
2002	4,757,295,699	23,438,177	4,394,884,123	21,396,737
2003	4,174,048,989	19,724,898	3,892,042,022	18,965,009
2004	5,520,855,750	29,238,804	5,150,301,871	27,932,278
2005	5,623,456,187	20,233,345	5,317,521,809	19,334,133
2006	4,998,828,430	16,824,950	4,709,047,593	16,163,883
2007	5,376,816,913	18,297,687	5,084,323,156	17,552,931
2008	4,794,286,656	15,230,678	4,474,658,453	14,684,676
2009	2,649,451,335	13,337,506	2,493,760,875	12,798,461

The year of 2009 was a rough year for the diamond industry due to the world crisis which began at the end of 2008 and affected the world's economy. This reflected on the diamond industry as well and resulted in a decrease of 70% in export of polished diamonds and 90% in rough diamonds at the beginning of 2009. Towards the end of the year the industry started to recuperate and these figures improved. The decrease in export was 32% in polished diamonds and 40% in rough diamonds. Despite these figures Israel has maintained its position as a major world diamond center.

Net polished export reached 3.9 billion dollars, as compared to 6.2 billion dollars in the previous year.

Net imports of rough diamonds totaled 2.5 billion dollars, a decrease of 55% compared to the year 2008. Net exports rough diamonds totaled 2.1 billion dollars, compared to 3.8 billion in 2008.

The Industry adjusted itself to the new economical situation that occurred at the beginning of 2009.

Net imports of polished diamonds to Israel amounted to 2.6 billion dollars which is a decrease of 56% in comparison to the previous year.

The United States continues to be the major market for Israel's polished diamonds exports, accounting for 52% of the export market. Hong Kong followed with 24%, then Belgium with 7%, Switzerland with 6%, and the rest of the world with 11%.

The Kimberly Process marked its 6th anniversary in November 2009.

At the annual plenary meeting in Namibia, Israel was appointed to serve in the position of Chair of the Kimberly Process, and will hold the role of the Kimberly Process Certificate Scheme Chair in the year 2010.

During the year 2010 Israel will head the two major meetings of the Kimberly Process, the Intercessional Meeting in June 2010 in Tel Aviv, and the Plenary Meeting in November 2010 in Jerusalem, with which it will conclude its task as, Chair of the Kimberly Process.

The year 2010 is anticipated to bear the challenge of overcoming obstacles together with the expected recovery of the worldwide economy in general, and the diamond industry in particular. Despite the difficult period Israel will continue to encourage, support and develop the industry.

Shmuel Mordechai
The Diamond Controller

Import of Polished Diamonds (Gross)

	\$	carats
1999	1,506,692,963	2,433,170
2000	2,148,507,266	3,149,238
2001	1,879,563,864	2,733,332
2002	2,456,385,853	3,492,387
2003	3,512,620,483	4,116,218
2004	3,673,466,262	4,164,097
2005	4,022,689,090	3,799,763
2006	4,137,204,971	3,608,145
2007	4,662,365,086	3,671,884
2008	4,590,516,301	3,168,983
2009	2,657,087,441	2,204,350

Gross = Before returns



Export of Rough Diamonds (Gross)

	\$	carats
1999	1,326,220,071	10,681,792
2000	1,715,011,128	11,176,870
2001	1,310,273,107	9,996,084
2002	1,928,635,367	13,797,884
2003	2,572,399,706	17,463,738
2004	3,360,573,099	32,840,635
2005	4,021,044,652	25,644,073
2006	3,178,190,015	19,143,241
2007	3,865,206,139	19,718,450
2008	3,875,420,789	16,686,918
2009	2,167,959,526	14,898,985

Gross = Before returns

Export of Polished Diamonds

	Before returns		After returns	
	\$	carats	\$	carats
1999	6,308,833,063	5,694,970	4,456,573,068	4,149,112
2000	7,825,808,996	6,546,834	5,322,406,642	4,650,400
2001	7,390,329,276	6,009,365	4,525,674,126	3,933,089
2002	8,356,180,482	6,728,966	5,209,480,641	4,544,081
2003	8,884,661,918	6,965,567	5,532,462,329	4,712,511
2004	10,571,250,074	6,947,470	6,335,122,659	4,641,071
2005	12,121,879,696	6,817,648	6,705,963,250	4,492,550
2006	12,995,752,608	6,597,628	6,608,314,479	4,151,766
2007	14,543,739,546	6,576,826	7,075,924,341	4,059,402
2008	15,525,277,944	5,332,986	6,238,910,237	3,107,395
2009	9,423,309,579	4,256,032	3,934,225,537	2,507,484

Export of Polished Diamonds by Volume (net) in millions of \$

	2007		2008		2009	
	volume	number of exporters	volume	number of exporters	volume	number of exporters
50 millions \$ and more	3,250	27	2,658	24	1,103	10
20 to 50 millions \$	1,119	38	1,220	39	1,019	33
10 to 20 millions \$	844	58	768	54	410	32
5 to 10 millions \$	815	117	663	100	560	81
1 to 5 million \$	883	372	822	346	707	301
up to 1 million \$	164	529	109	543	174	581
Total	7,075	1,141	6,240	1,106	3,973	1,038

Net = After Returns

Export of Polished Diamonds by Country Gross before returns

	2007	2008	2009
USA	8,800,290,663	8,266,895,194	4,875,754,385
JAPAN	99,070,596	86,220,729	51,265,300
HONG-KONG	2,395,969,536	3,413,370,287	2,300,886,076
BELGIUM	1,182,216,260	1,367,351,758	633,132,263
SWITZERLAND	748,109,726	938,644,128	610,718,981
GERMANY	50,434,573	48,640,145	40,688,186
GREAT BRITAIN	311,461,806	268,592,706	149,659,085
ITALY	81,980,951	71,496,926	59,998,918
SINGAPORE	46,291,445	64,449,001	42,642,398
AUSTRALIA	92,837,591	103,408,974	66,407,767
FRANCE	110,881,582	135,222,254	58,350,373
THAILAND	84,447,452	72,247,928	61,609,581
CANADA	88,216,640	85,878,941	54,960,018
KOREA	16,054,734	9,106,418	7,300,333
CHINA	69,001,798	104,000,288	96,101,451
OTHER	366,474,193	489,752,267	313,834,465
TOTAL EXPORT	14,543,739,546	15,525,277,944	9,423,309,580