European vs. U.S. Exports
(What Happens in Europe Stays in Europe)

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European countries tend to export a larger share of their GDP
(countries ranked by GDP)

But trade that takes place within the United States is not counted as an export

Trade that remains within the EU is counted as an export – 67% of EU exports remain within the EU

Most of the exports of the United States go beyond NAFTA

Excluding exports to trade-zone countries leads to a very different view
The export comparison between the U.S. and other countries is not as extreme.