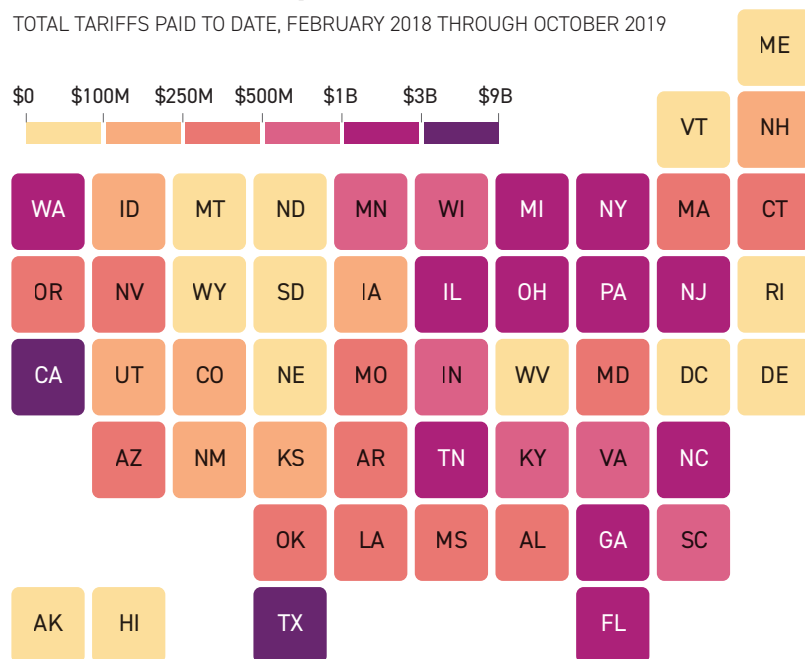Dec. 10, 2019

How much states have paid for Trump's tariffs

An analysis by free trade organization Tariffs Hurt the Heartland showed that President Donald Trump's tariffs have cost importers a collective $42 billion since they were first enacted in February 2018. The tariffs — which have hit solar panels and washing machines, steel and aluminum and Chinese goods — have cost states a median $373 million, led by California, which THtH estimates has paid almost $9 billion in tariffs.

In response to the U.S. tariffs, other countries have set retaliatory tariffs on U.S. goods. THtH compared exports of goods targeted by these tariffs from January to October 2017, and from January to October 2019. It found that state exports of these goods have fallen by a median $269 billion, led by Texas, which has seen a $3.9 billion decrease in exports of targeted goods. Only four states (Delaware, Georgia, New Mexico and Rhode Island) have seen exports of these goods increase.

Thirteen states have paid more than $1B in tariffs

TOTAL TARIFFS PAID TO DATE, FEBRUARY 2018 THROUGH OCTOBER 2019

$0 $100M $250M $500M $1B $3B $9B

Exports of tariffed goods fell in 46 states and DC

CHANGE IN EXPORTS SUBJECT TO RETALIATION BY VALUE, FROM JAN-OCT 2017 TO JAN-OCT 2019

−$3.8B   −$3B   −$1B   −$500M   −$250M   −$100M $0   +$77M

Source: Tariffs Hurt the Heartland

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