Trade Patterns
U.S. Imports

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For imports, the value reported is the U.S. Customs and Border Protection appraised value of merchandise.

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\[ \text{Value} = 100 \times \frac{462.6 - 287.8}{287.8} \]

Rest of World:
- $217b in 2006
- $217b in 2016

China:
- $288b in 2006
- $463b in 2016

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See PowerPoint file for country definitions and data source.
What Do You Think?

1. How would you describe the change in Japanese import totals from 2006 to 2016? (See slide 2)

2. Imports from China increased 61% from 2006 to 2016. Over the same time period, what was the percent change for the category “Rest of the World”? (See slide 3)

3. For any world area or country shown, did imports show a decrease in value from 2006 to 2016? (See slide 3)

4. What were the top three sources of U.S. imports in 2006? In 2016? (See slide 2)

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