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The Arts & Crafts industry includes metal crafts; crystal crafts; glass crafts; ceramic crafts; stone crafts; plastic/resin crafts; bamboo and wooden crafts; natural plant fiber crafts; paper/fabric/leather/fur/bone/shell and other natural material crafts.

China's craft production is localized. The suppliers are for the most part located in Guangdong, Zhejiang, Fujian, Jiangsu, Shanghai and Shandong. Among which Guangdong's export volume of light industrial crafts accounted for about one third of China's total exports. Guangdong, Zhejiang, Fujian, Jiangsu, Shanghai and Shandong's total crafts export volume accounted for more than 80% of China total crafts' exports. Among the 15 businesses that are listed in the final results of the first China Light Industrial Crafts Import & Export Industry credit rating, published in September of 2010; there are 2 from Guangdong, 2 from Fujian, 2 from Jiangsu, and 3 from Shanghai. Since the financial crisis, the Arts & Crafts industry has developed rapidly in Zhejiang with the emergence of Yiwu. Among Guangdong, Zhejiang, Fujian, Jiangsu, Shanghai, and Shandong provinces; Zhejiang products have the lowest export prices and are well received in Russia, South America, India and other new emerging markets plus they are sought after by low-end buyers in Europe and the United States.

China's craft industry is commodity export-oriented. The main products are plastic resin crafts; jewelry; toy gifts; ceramic crafts; glass crafts; festival supplies; wigs; artificial flowers and feathers; grass, willow and bamboo crafts and wooden crafts. Most of them are mid to low end products with bargain prices. China's toy, glass and ceramics and other light industrial craft exports are listed first among the world's total exports. Exports of jewelry demonstrated rapid growth throughout the year in 2010 doubling over the same period in 2009.