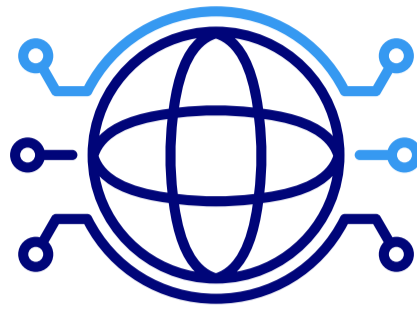


# International Data Transfers and Onward Transfers

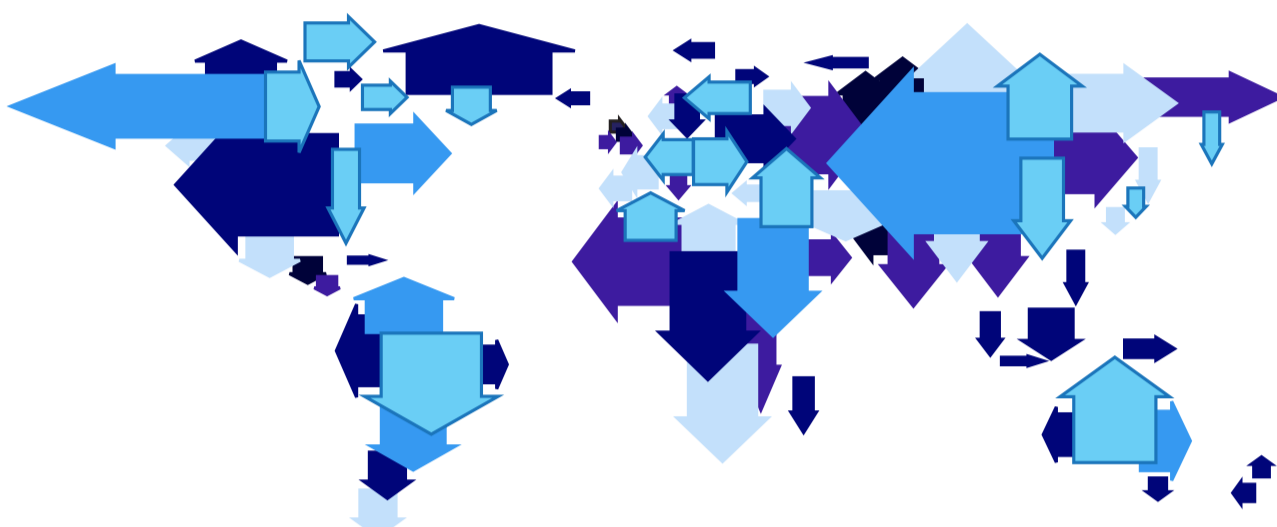
Transferring data is essential for businesses in today's global economy. Data transfers are estimated to contribute \$2.8 trillion to global GDP and are expected to grow to \$11 trillion by 2025.<sup>1</sup>



## What constitutes a data transfer?

To determine if a data movement is a transfer, consider the following:

- Map out the data flow—where did it originate?
- Identify the storage location
- Determine who accesses the data and where they are located
- Assess any external sharing of data



Using this approach, you can better understand whether your data movements qualify as a transfer, and align with [EDPB guidelines](#)

## Restrictions on data transfers

- 1 Data localization laws**
  - Examples include China, Russia, and Vietnam
- 2 In-between approaches:**
  - **Adequacy decisions**
    - EU to Canada
    - EU-US Data Privacy Framework (DPF)
    - Japan and the EU
    - Dubai International Financial Centre and APEC CBPR
  - **Transfer contracts**
    - Standard Contractual Clauses (SCCs)
    - International Data Transfer Agreements (IDTAs)
    - Regions with SCCs include the EU, UK, China, Hong Kong, and Brazil
  - **Consent**
    - Explicit permission required from individuals
    - Consent requirements vary by region
  - **Other methods**
    - Binding Corporate Rules (BCRs)
    - APEC CBPR System Certification

## Practical steps to manage data transfers

1

Map your data

Identify storage locations, access points, and sharing details

2

Identify transfer types

Determine if data movements qualify as transfers using regulatory guidelines

3

Choose a transfer mechanism

Select based on the scenario (adequacy decision, SCCs, consent, etc.)

4

Implement compliance measures

Execute contracts, obtain consents, and document processes

5

Monitor and update

Regular reviews and updates ensure ongoing compliance

## Streamline your cross-border data transfer mechanism

With [TRUSTe DPF verification](#) and [APEC CBPR & PRP certification](#), effortlessly manage and showcase your international data transfer compliance with government-backed data privacy frameworks.



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<sup>1</sup> International Chamber of Commerce <https://iccvbo.org/global-insights/digital-economy/data-flows/#--text=Achieving%20consensus%20on%20common%20principles,value%20of%20the%20data%20transfers>