commerce

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1. (оптовая) торговля, коммерция

home /domestic, internal/ commerce - внутренний рынок foreign commerce - внешняя торговля Chamber of Commerce - торговая палата

2. общение

to have but little commerce with one's neighbours - мало общаться с соседями

3. редк. половые сношения (особ. внебрачные)

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com·merce BrE ['kpm3]\$ NAmE ['ka]m]]rs noun uncountable

trade, especially between countries; the buying and selling of goods and services

· leaders of industry and commerce

see also [†]Chamber of Commerce

Word Origin:

[commerce] mid 16th cent. originally in the sense of social interaction between people: from French, or from Latin commercium (trade, trading', from com- 'together' + mercium (from merx, merc- 'merchandise').

Example Bank:

- · She has little experience of the world of commerce.
- The marketplace was where commerce was traditionally carried on.
- The marketplace was where merchants engaged in commerce.
- commerce between China and Africa
- commerce between Germany and Italy
- the development of commerce with Asia
- · Leaders of industry and commerce met at the summit in Paris.

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com merce /'kpm3 \$\$ 'ka m 1/r&rE AmE noun [uncountable]

[Date: 1500-1600, Language: French; Origin: Latin commercium, from com- (⇒ COM-) + merx 'things to be sold']

the buying and selling of goods and services SYN trade:

measures promoting local commerce and industry

⇒ [†]chamber of commerce, [†]e-commerce

THESAURUS

• business the activity of making money by producing, buying, or selling goods, or providing services: Business in Europe has been badly affected by economic conditions in the US. | He works in the advertising business.

• trade the buying and selling of goods and services, especially between countries: Trade between European countries became easier after the introduction of the Euro. | a trade agreement

commerce the buying and selling of goods and services. Commerce is more formal than business, and is used when talking about business activities in general: One of the roles of the federal government to regulate commerce. | London became a great centre of commerce. | the local chamber of commerce (=an organization which the companies and shops in an area belong to)
e-commerce the buying and selling of goods and services on the Internet: E-commerce is a fast-growing part of the US economy.

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