

The International Affairs Budget Working for Idaho

Agriculture

- Agricultural exports are important to Idaho's statewide economy, totaling \$811 million and supporting over 10,800 jobs in 2006. The top agricultural export goods are vegetables, wheat, dairy, feeds and fodders, and feed grains¹.

Education

- During 2006-2007, 1,969 foreign students were enrolled in Idaho colleges and universities and contributed \$31.6 million to the Idaho economy².

Exports

- Today, trade supports 836,679 jobs in Idaho, or 18 percent of total jobs, up from 11.1 percent in 1992³.

- In 2007, Idaho exported goods globally to 187 foreign markets, generating revenues that totaled \$4.7 billion. The major exports produced by Idaho are⁴:

- Computers and Electronics (\$3.3 billion)
- Processed Foods (\$360 million)
- Paper Products (\$176 million).
- Machinery Manufactures (\$154 million)



- In 2006, 1,041 companies exported goods from Idaho. Almost one-fifth (18.6%) of all manufacturing workers in Idaho depend on exports for their jobs⁵.
- Since the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) was signed in 1993, Idaho's combined exports to Canada and Mexico increased 245 percent⁶.

Export Assistance

- Since 2004, the U.S. Export-Import Bank has financed \$47.84 million in exports from 24 companies in 12 communities in Idaho⁷.

International Assistance Programs



- Since 1961, 1,131 Peace Corps volunteers from Idaho have served in dozens of countries overseas⁸.
- USAID has granted millions of dollars in funding to projects administered by Idaho Private Voluntary Organization (PVO) The Peregrine Fund⁹.
- The Total State Organization Dollar value of support was approximately \$300,000 from USAID (through freight, donated food, grants, and contracts) and \$700,000 from U.S. government grants and contracts, other governments, and international organizations¹⁰.

- ¹ <http://www.fas.usda.gov/info/factsheets/WTO/states.html>
- ² http://www.nafsa.org/public_policy.sec/international_education_1
- ³ http://trade.businessroundtable.org/trade_2006/doha/mappop.html
- ⁴ http://ita.doc.gov/td/industry/otea/state_reports/
- ⁵ Ibid
- ⁶ http://www.export.gov/fta/peru/peru_statedata.asp
- ⁷ <https://apps.exim.gov/apps/usmap/usmap.nsf>
- ⁸ http://www.peacecorps.gov/multimedia/pdf/policies/peacecorps_cbj_2009.pdf
- ⁹ <http://www.pvo.net/usaaid/>
- ¹⁰ Ibid