

The International Affairs Budget Working for Missouri

Agriculture

- Agricultural exports are important to Missouri's statewide economy, totaling \$1.4 billion and supporting over 17,300 jobs in 2006. The top agricultural export goods are soybeans, feed grains, cotton, wheat and rice¹.



Education

- During 2006-2007, 9,805 foreign students were enrolled in Missouri colleges and universities and contributed over \$217 million to the Missouri economy².

Exports

- Today, trade supports 650,000 jobs in Missouri, or 18.5 percent of total jobs, up from only 10 percent in 1992³.
- In 2007, Missouri exported goods globally to 193 foreign markets, generating revenues that totaled \$13.4 billion. The major exports produced by Missouri are⁴:
 - Transportation Equipment (\$4.7 billion)
 - Chemical Manufactures (\$2.2 billion)
 - Machinery Manufactures (\$1.2 billion)
 - Processed Foods (\$722 million)
- In 2006, 4,059 companies exported goods from Missouri. Over one-sixth (17.2%) of all manufacturing workers in Missouri depend on exports for their jobs⁵.
- Since the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) was signed in 1993, Missouri's combined exports to Canada and Mexico increased 218 percent⁶.

Export Assistance

- Since 2004, the U.S. Export-Import Bank has financed \$278 million in exports from 75 companies in 31 communities in Missouri⁷.

International Assistance Programs



- Since 1961, 2,822 Peace Corps volunteers from Missouri have served in dozens of countries overseas⁸.
- USAID has granted millions of dollars in funding to projects administered by 10 Missouri Private Voluntary Organizations (PVOs) including the American Soybean Association and Project Peanut Butter⁹.
- The Total State Organization Dollar value of support was approximately \$462,000 from USAID (through freight, donated food, grants, and contracts) and over \$12 million 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/usaid/>
- ¹⁰ Ibid