

The International Affairs Budget Working for Oklahoma

Agriculture

- Agricultural exports are important to Oklahoma's statewide economy, totaling \$754 million and supporting over 8,900 jobs in 2006. The top agricultural export goods are wheat, live animals, poultry, feeds and fodders, and cotton¹.



Education

- During 2006-2007, 8,364 foreign students were enrolled in Oklahoma colleges and universities and contributed almost \$161 million to the Oklahoma economy².

Exports

- In 2006, international trade supported 370,074 jobs in Oklahoma, or 18.3 percent of total jobs, up from 11.3 percent in 1992³.
- In 2007, Oklahoma exported goods globally to 176 foreign markets, generating revenues that totaled \$4.5 billion. The major exports produced by Oklahoma are⁴:
 - Machinery Manufactures (\$1.2 billion)
 - Transportation Equipment (\$553 million)
 - Fabricated Metal Products (\$403 million)
 - Computers and Electronics (\$368 million)
- In 2006, 2,252 companies exported goods from Oklahoma. Almost one-fifth (19.5%) of all manufacturing workers in Oklahoma depend on exports for their jobs⁵.
- Since the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) entered into force in 1994, Oklahoma's combined exports to Canada and Mexico increased 172 percent⁶.

Export Assistance

- Since 2004, the U.S. Export-Import Bank has financed \$486.9 million in exports from Oklahoma supporting 84 companies in 16 communities⁷.

International Assistance Programs



- Since 1961, over 1,146 Peace Corps volunteers from Oklahoma have served in dozens of countries overseas⁸.
- USAID has granted millions of dollars in funding to projects administered by numerous Oklahoma Private Voluntary Organizations (PVOs) including Feed the Children and Blessings International⁹.
- The Total State Organization Dollar value of support was approximately \$500,000 from USAID (through freight, donated food, grants, and contracts) and \$800,000 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