

## The International Affairs Budget Working for Washington

### Agriculture

- Washington was the eighth largest exporter of agricultural products in the U.S., totaling \$2.2 billion and supporting 26,400 jobs in 2006. The top five agricultural export goods are fruits, vegetables, wheat, dairy, and hides<sup>1</sup>.

### Education

- During 2006-2007, 11,663 foreign students were enrolled in Washington colleges and universities and contributed \$269 million to the Washington economy<sup>2</sup>.

### Exports

- In 2006, international trade supported 670,233 jobs in Washington, or 18.5 percent of total jobs, up from 10.1 percent in 1992<sup>3</sup>.
- In 2007, Washington was the fourth largest U.S. exporter of goods, sending them globally to 208 foreign markets, generating revenues that totaled \$66.4 billion. The major exports produced by Washington are<sup>4</sup>:
  - Transportation Equipment (\$42.7 billion)
  - Computers and Electronics (\$3.3 billion)
  - Processed Foods (\$2.1 billion)
  - Machinery Manufactures (\$2.1 billion)
- In 2006, 7,444 companies exported goods from Washington. Over two-fifths (41%) of all manufacturing workers in Washington depend on exports for their jobs<sup>5</sup>.
- Since the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) entered into force in 1994, Washington's combined exports to Canada and Mexico increased 255 percent<sup>6</sup>.



### Export Assistance

- Since 2004, the U.S. Export-Import Bank has financed \$27.9 billion in exports from Washington supporting 136 companies in 43 communities<sup>7</sup>.

### International Assistance Programs



- Since 1961, over 7,911 Peace Corps volunteers from Washington have served in dozens of countries overseas<sup>8</sup>.
- USAID has granted millions of dollars in funding to projects administered by numerous Washington Private Voluntary Organizations (PVOs) including Health Alliance International and the International Foundation for Hope<sup>9</sup>.
- The Total State Organization Dollar value of support was approximately \$173 million from USAID (through freight, donated food, grants, and contracts) and \$98 million from U.S. government grants and contracts, other governments, and international organizations<sup>10</sup>.

- <sup>1</sup> <http://www.fas.usda.gov/info/factsheets/WTO/states.html>
- <sup>2</sup> [http://www.nafsa.org/public\\_policy.sec/international\\_education\\_1](http://www.nafsa.org/public_policy.sec/international_education_1)
- <sup>3</sup> [http://trade.businessroundtable.org/trade\\_2006/doha/mappop.html](http://trade.businessroundtable.org/trade_2006/doha/mappop.html)
- <sup>4</sup> [http://ita.doc.gov/td/industry/otea/state\\_reports/](http://ita.doc.gov/td/industry/otea/state_reports/)
- <sup>5</sup> Ibid
- <sup>6</sup> [http://www.export.gov/fta/peru/peru\\_statedata.asp](http://www.export.gov/fta/peru/peru_statedata.asp)
- <sup>7</sup> <https://apps.exim.gov/apps/usmap/usmap.nsf>
- <sup>8</sup> [http://www.peacecorps.gov/multimedia/pdf/policies/peacecorps\\_cbj\\_2009.pdf](http://www.peacecorps.gov/multimedia/pdf/policies/peacecorps_cbj_2009.pdf)
- <sup>9</sup> <http://www.pvo.net/usaidd/>
- <sup>10</sup> Ibid