

## WEB SITES FOR INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY

### POLICY-RELATED WEB SITES

#### Think Tanks

[www.iie.com](http://www.iie.com)

[www.csis.org](http://www.csis.org)

[www.brookings.edu](http://www.brookings.edu)

[www.cato.org](http://www.cato.org)

[www.urban.org](http://www.urban.org)

[www.southern.org](http://www.southern.org)

[http://www.ppionline.org/ppi\\_ka.cfm?knlgAreaID=108](http://www.ppionline.org/ppi_ka.cfm?knlgAreaID=108)

Institute for International Economics  
Center for Strategic and International Studies  
The Brookings Institute  
Cato Institute  
The Urban Institute  
Southern Growth Policies Board  
Progressive Policy Institute (PPI)

#### Industry Organizations

[www.uschamber.org](http://www.uschamber.org)

[www.nam.org](http://www.nam.org)

<http://www.iccwbo.org>

<http://www.gala-global.org>

<http://www.isbc.com/Index.cfm>

U.S. Chamber of Commerce  
National Association of Manufacturers  
The International Chamber of Commerce  
For the language and cultural translation industry  
International Small Business Consortium

#### Federal Agencies

<http://www.export.gov>

<http://www.ita.doc.gov>

<http://www.sba.gov/oit>

<http://www.usaid.gov>

[www.ustr.gov](http://www.ustr.gov)

[www.mac.doc.gov](http://www.mac.doc.gov)

[www.tda.gov](http://www.tda.gov)

[www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov)

<http://www.customs.ustreas.gov/>

<http://stats.bls.gov>

<http://www.census.gov>

<http://www.census.gov/epcd/cbp/view/cbpview.html>

<http://www.bea.doc.gov>

[www.gao.gov](http://www.gao.gov)

<http://www.immigration.gov/graphics/index.htm>

<http://tinet.ita.doc.gov>

<http://tinet.ita.doc.gov/view/f-2002-45-540/index.html>

[www.fas.usda.gov](http://www.fas.usda.gov)

[www.usitc.gov](http://www.usitc.gov)

[www.customs.ustreas.gov](http://www.customs.ustreas.gov)

[www.whitehouse.gov](http://www.whitehouse.gov)

<http://www.loc.gov>

<http://www.opic.gov>

<http://www.tda.gov>

<http://www.usaep.org>

<http://ffas.usda.gov/>

<http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov>

1-Stop portal of information  
International Trade Administration, USDOC  
U.S. Small Business Administration  
U.S. Agency for International Development  
U.S. Trade Representative  
USDOC Market Access & Compliance Center  
U.S. Trade and Development Agency  
U.S. State Department  
US Customs & Border Protection, Dept. of Homeland Security  
Bureau of Labor Statistics  
U. S. Census Bureau  
County Business Patterns  
Bureau of Economic Analysis  
U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO)  
Citizen & Immigration Service (formerly INS)  
Foreign tourist information  
Selected state information on foreign tourism  
Foreign Agricultural Service  
U.S. International Trade Commission  
U.S. Customs & Border protection  
White House  
Library of Congress  
Overseas Private Investment Corporation  
U.S. Trade and Development Agency (TDA)  
United States-Asia Environmental Partnership, part of USAID  
USDA Foreign Agricultural Research  
USDOC National Marine Fisheries

## State Government Organizations

[www.csg.org](http://www.csg.org)  
[www.nass.org](http://www.nass.org)  
[www.nasda.com](http://www.nasda.com)  
<http://www.nga.org>  
<http://slcatlanta.org>  
<http://www.alec.org/>

Council of State Governments  
National Association of Secretaries of State  
National Association of State Development Agencies  
National Governors' Association  
Southern Legislative Conference  
American Legislative Exchange Council

## Global Organizations

[www.worldbank.org](http://www.worldbank.org)  
<http://www.un.org/esa/policy/index.html>  
<http://embassy.org>  
<http://www.oecd.org>  
<http://www.iadb.org>  
<http://www.unctad-trains.org>  
[www.sice.oas.org](http://www.sice.oas.org)  
<http://www.unctad.org>  
<http://www.wto.org/>  
<http://www.imf.org>  
<http://www.ilo.org>  
<http://www.un.org/english/>

World Bank  
United Nations Dept. of Economic & Social Affairs  
Access to embassy sites in Washington, D.C.  
Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development  
Inter-American Development Bank  
UN Com. on Trade & Dev. (UNCTAD) Trade Analysis & Info. System  
Organization of American States (OAS) Foreign Trade Information System  
UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)  
World Trade Organization (WTO)  
International Monetary Fund (IMF)  
International Labor Organization  
UN home page in English

## Statistics on Trade

<http://tse.export.gov/>  
<http://www.stat-usa.gov/stat-usa.html>  
<http://www.census.gov/foreign-trade/www>  
<http://dataweb.usitc.gov>  
<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/>  
<http://www.bea.doc.gov/bea/pubs.htm>  
<http://www.odci.gov/cia/publications>  
<http://www.worldbank.org/data/countrydata/countrydata.html>  
[http://www.oecd.org/statsportal/0,2639,en\\_2825\\_293564\\_1\\_1\\_1\\_1\\_1,00.html](http://www.oecd.org/statsportal/0,2639,en_2825_293564_1_1_1_1_1,00.html)  
<http://www.bls.gov/mxp/#data>  
<http://www.bls.gov/fls>  
<https://www.wisertrade.org>

Export data with graphics  
USDOC  
Foreign Trade Division, U.S. Census Bureau  
U.S. International Trade Commission  
United Nations Statistical Division  
Search for Survey of Current Business  
Central Intelligence Agency World Fact Book  
World Bank Country Data  
OECD statistics  
Import & export price statistics, BLS  
Foreign labor statistics, BLS  
Subscriber-only data

## Advocacy

[www.traderoots.org](http://www.traderoots.org)  
<http://www.uscib.org>  
<http://www.cfr.org/index.php>  
<http://www.sister-cities.org/icrc/directory/USA/index>  
<http://www.ofii.org>  
<http://fita.org>  
<http://www.ipanet.net>  
<http://www.ncnr.org/>  
[www.tabd.com](http://www.tabd.com)  
<http://www.aapa-ports.org/>  
<http://www.ita.doc.gov/td/advocacy/index.html>  
<http://www.nftc.org>

U.S. Chamber of Commerce's "Trade Roots" program  
U.S. Council for International Business  
Council on Foreign Relations  
Sister Cities International state by state listing  
Organization for International Investment (FDI)  
Federation of International Trade Associations  
Investment Promotion Network  
National Council of La Raza (Hispanic issues)  
Transatlantic business dialog (US-EU)  
American Association of Port Authorities  
USDOC Advocacy Center  
National Foreign Trade Council

## Free Trade Agreements

<http://www.ita.doc.gov/td/tic/fta/>  
[http://www.ustr.gov/Trade\\_Agreements/Section\\_Index.html](http://www.ustr.gov/Trade_Agreements/Section_Index.html)  
<http://www.traderoots.org/fsMain.asp?i=tp>  
<http://www.mac.doc.gov/nafta>  
<http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/nafta-alena/over-e.asp>

Free Trade Agreements compendium  
USTR site  
FTA policy of US Chamber  
USDOC's Office of NAFTA  
Canada's NAFTA site

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| <a href="http://lanic.utexas.edu/la/Mexico/nafta">http://lanic.utexas.edu/la/Mexico/nafta</a>                   | Mexico's NAFTA |
| <a href="http://www.sice.oas.org/trade/nafta/naftatce.asp">http://www.sice.oas.org/trade/nafta/naftatce.asp</a> | OAS NAFTA site |
| <a href="http://www.ftaa-alca.org">www.ftaa-alca.org</a>  | FTAA           |
| <a href="http://www.usafta.org/">http://www.usafta.org/</a>   | CAFTA          |

**Immigration**

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| <a href="http://www.aila.org">www.aila.org</a>  | Immigration lawyers association       |
| <a href="http://uscis.gov/graphics/index.htm">http://uscis.gov/graphics/index.htm</a>   | US Citizenship & Immigration Services |
| <a href="http://www.immigrationforum.org">http://www.immigrationforum.org</a>   | The National Immigration Forum        |
| <a href="http://uscis.gov/graphics/shared/aboutus/statistics/natz/">http://uscis.gov/graphics/shared/aboutus/statistics/natz/</a> | Immigration statistics                |

**International Education**

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| <a href="http://www.nafsa.org">http://www.nafsa.org</a>   | International exchange and study abroad                      |
| <a href="http://www.languagepolicy.org">www.languagepolicy.org</a>  | National Council for Languages and International Studies     |
| <a href="http://www.ncela.gwu.edu">http://www.ncela.gwu.edu</a>   | National Clearinghouse for English Language Acquisition      |
| <a href="http://www.mla.org">www.mla.org</a>  | Modern Language Association                                  |
| <a href="http://www.actfl.org">www.actfl.org</a>  | American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages        |
| <a href="http://www.iie.org//programs/gilman/index.html">http://www.iie.org//programs/gilman/index.html</a>           | Gilman study abroad scholarships for Pell Grant kids         |
| <a href="http://www.cal.org">http://www.cal.org</a>   | Center for Applied Linguistics                               |
| <a href="http://www.iie.org">www.iie.org</a>  | Institute of International Education                         |
| <a href="http://opendoors.iienetwork.org/">http://opendoors.iienetwork.org/</a>                                       | "Open Doors" foreign student exchange information            |
| <a href="http://www.alliance-exchange.org">http://www.alliance-exchange.org</a>                                       | Alliance for International Educational & Cultural Exchange   |
| <a href="http://www.actfl.org">http://www.actfl.org</a>   | The American Council on Teaching of Foreign Languages        |
| <a href="http://www.educ.iastate.edu/nflrc/pubs.htm">http://www.educ.iastate.edu/nflrc/pubs.htm</a>                   | National K-12 Foreign Language Resource Center               |
| <a href="http://www.iecc.org">http://www.iecc.org</a>   | Intercultural E-mail Classroom Connection                    |
| <a href="http://staff.washington.edu/earc">http://staff.washington.edu/earc</a>                                       | The East Asia Resource Center                                |
| <a href="http://www.southerncenter.org">http://www.southerncenter.org</a>   | Southern Center for International Studies                    |
| <a href="http://www.indiana.edu/~ssdc/about.htm#ericys">http://www.indiana.edu/~ssdc/about.htm#ericys</a>             | The ERIC Clearinghouse (social studies)                      |
| <a href="http://www.asiasociety.org">http://www.asiasociety.org</a>   | International education advocacy overall, also focus on Asia |
| <a href="http://www.ciee.org">www.ciee.org</a>  | Council on International Educational Exchange                |
| <a href="http://exchanges.state.gov/education/rfgps/menu.htm">http://exchanges.state.gov/education/rfgps/menu.htm</a> | State Department educational grants                          |

**Publications & Other Policy Research Resources**

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| <a href="http://news.ft.com">http://news.ft.com</a>   | The Financial Times   |
| <a href="http://www.foreignpolicy.com">www.foreignpolicy.com</a>  | Foreign Policy magazine   |
| <a href="http://www.businessweek.com/globalbiz">www.businessweek.com/globalbiz</a>  | Global Section of Business Week                                     |
| <a href="http://www.eurunion.org/newsweb/home.htm">http://www.eurunion.org/newsweb/home.htm</a>   | Bulletin of European economic and financial news                    |
| <a href="http://www.closeup.org">http://www.closeup.org</a>   | Foundation supporting publication of topical books, including trade |
| <a href="http://www.econdata.net">http://www.econdata.net</a>   | Comprehensive list of web sites with economic data                  |
| <a href="http://www.idcresearch.com">www.idcresearch.com</a>  | Electronic commerce trends, IT market intelligence                  |
| <a href="http://www.forrester.com">www.forrester.com</a>  | Internet trend research   |
| <a href="http://yaleglobal.yale.edu/display.article?id=1934">http://yaleglobal.yale.edu/display.article?id=1934</a>                           | Yale Center for the Study of Globalization                          |
| <a href="http://www.cid.harvard.edu/cidtrade/">http://www.cid.harvard.edu/cidtrade/</a>   | Harvard Center for International Development                        |
| <a href="http://www.people-press.org">http://www.people-press.org</a>   | Pew Research (public opinion surveys)                               |
| <a href="http://www.aneke.com">http://www.aneke.com</a>   | World Almanac   |
| <a href="http://fyi.cnn.com/fyi/interactive/specials/hispanic/index.html">http://fyi.cnn.com/fyi/interactive/specials/hispanic/index.html</a> | CNN Latin America and teacher resources                             |
| <a href="http://www.fedbizopps.gov/">http://www.fedbizopps.gov/</a>   | US Federal Business Opportunities                                   |
| <a href="http://www.world-newspapers.com">http://www.world-newspapers.com</a>   | English-language newspapers worldwide                               |
| <a href="http://www.joc.com">http://www.joc.com</a>   | Journal of Commerce   |
| <a href="http://www.latin-focus.com">http://www.latin-focus.com</a>   | News on Latin America   |

**HOW TO CONDUCT TRADE**

## How to Trade

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| <a href="http://www.export.gov">www.export.gov</a>  | US portal on how to trade                            |
| <a href="http://www.trade.gov/td/tic">www.trade.gov/td/tic</a>  | USDOC Trade Information Center                       |
| <a href="http://www.going-global.com">www.going-global.com</a>  | How to export for new-to-export                      |
| <a href="http://www.entrepreneur.com">http://www.entrepreneur.com</a>   | How to start a business                              |
| <a href="http://www.tradeport.org/tutorial/index.html">http://www.tradeport.org/tutorial/index.html</a>         | How to trade   |
| <a href="http://www.gin.sme.ne.jp">http://www.gin.sme.ne.jp</a>   | Global Information Network for SMEs (G-7 initiative) |
| <a href="http://www.getcustoms.com">www.getcustoms.com</a>  | Terri Morrison's "culture grams"                     |
| <a href="http://www.executiveplanet.com">http://www.executiveplanet.com</a>                                     | Business cultures                                    |
| <a href="http://msuglobalaccess.net">http://msuglobalaccess.net</a>   | Michigan State University's famous portal            |
| <a href="http://www.tradeport.org">http://www.tradeport.org</a>   | (California) comprehensive trade help site           |
| <a href="http://world.wtca.org/portal/index.jsp">http://world.wtca.org/portal/index.jsp</a>                     | World Trade Center Association online                |
| <a href="http://www.loc.gov/rr/international/portals.html">http://www.loc.gov/rr/international/portals.html</a> | Library of Congress trade information                |
| <a href="http://www.reallyusefulsites.org">http://www.reallyusefulsites.org</a>                                 | FITA's list of good web sites                        |
| <a href="http://www.globalspeak.com">www.globalspeak.com</a>  | High tech, multimedia marketing                      |
| <a href="http://www.mglobal.com">www.mglobal.com</a>  | Maritime Global Net (lists of shippers)              |
| <a href="http://www.fita.org/elan/">http://www.fita.org/elan/</a>   | Export Legal Assistance Network, backed by USBA      |
| <a href="http://www.wtpfed.org/newsite/index1.php">http://www.wtpfed.org/newsite/index1.php</a>                 | World Trade Point Federation (120 in 90 countries)   |
| <a href="http://www.nexco.org">http://www.nexco.org</a>   | National Association of Export Companies             |
| <a href="http://www.sbea.org">http://www.sbea.org</a>   | Small Business Exporter's Association                |
| <a href="http://www.mac.doc.gov">http://www.mac.doc.gov</a>   | Market Access and Compliance (MAC)                   |

## Trade Finance

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| <a href="http://www.tdcommercialbanking.com/tradefinance/index.jsp">http://www.tdcommercialbanking.com/tradefinance/index.jsp</a> | TD Commercial trade finance                                    |
| <a href="http://www.ifc.org">http://www.ifc.org</a>   | International Finance Corporation, World Bank                  |
| <a href="http://www.oanda.com">http://www.oanda.com</a>   | Foreign currency information                                   |
| <a href="http://www.exim.gov">http://www.exim.gov</a>   | U.S. Export-Import Bank  |
| <a href="http://www.opic.gov">http://www.opic.gov</a>   | Overseas Private Investment Corporation                        |
| <a href="http://www.sba.gov/financing/">http://www.sba.gov/financing/</a>   | SBA site   |
| <a href="http://www.adb.org">http://www.adb.org</a>   | Asian Development Bank   |
| <a href="http://www.iadb.org">http://www.iadb.org</a>   | Inter-American Development Bank                                |
| <a href="http://www.xe.net/currency">http://www.xe.net/currency</a>   | Universal Currency Converter                                   |
| <a href="http://web.ita.doc.gov/efm/efm.nsf">http://web.ita.doc.gov/efm/efm.nsf</a>   | USDOC Export Finance Matchmaker                                |
| <a href="http://www.pefco.com">http://www.pefco.com</a>   | Private Export Funding Corporation (PEFCO), a secondary market |

## Country Portals

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| <a href="http://www.chinaonline.com">www.chinaonline.com</a>  | China information |
| <a href="http://www.chinasite.com">http://www.chinasite.com</a>   | China             |
| <a href="http://www.jetro.go.jp/usa/">http://www.jetro.go.jp/usa/</a>   | Japan             |
| <a href="http://www.us-asean.org">http://www.us-asean.org</a>   | Asia              |
| <a href="http://www.zawya.com">http://www.zawya.com</a>   | Arab              |
| <a href="http://www.arabdatanet.com">http://www.arabdatanet.com</a>   | Arab              |
| <a href="http://www.tradeportalofindia.com">http://www.tradeportalofindia.com</a>                             | India             |
| <a href="http://www.latinworld.com">http://www.latinworld.com</a>   | Latin America     |
| <a href="http://www.agoa.gov/">http://www.agoa.gov/</a>   | Africa            |
| <a href="http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/full.html">http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/full.html</a> | World clock       |

## Company Background Research

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| <a href="http://myexports.com">http://myexports.com</a>                   | The U.S. Exporters' Yellow Pages, USDOC affiliated          |
| <a href="http://www.thomasregister.com">http://www.thomasregister.com</a> | Thomas Register of American Manufacturers                   |
| <a href="http://www.uniworldbp.com">http://www.uniworldbp.com</a>         | Directory of American Firms Operating in Foreign Countries  |
| <a href="http://www.kompass.com">http://www.kompass.com</a>               | Kompass International Trade Directories, search companies   |
| <a href="http://dnb.com/us">http://dnb.com/us</a>                         | Dun & Bradstreet  |
| <a href="http://www.unibex.com">http://www.unibex.com</a>                 | Unibex Foreign Partner Search                               |
| <a href="http://owens.com">http://owens.com</a>                           | Owens Online credit and background checks on foreign buyers |
| <a href="http://www.europages.net">http://www.europages.net</a>           | Europe  |

<http://www.infotoday.com/supersearchers/ssci.htm>

Links to company research information services

### Trade Leads

<http://www.stat-usa.gov>

STAT-USA, National Trade Data Bank for a fee

<http://web.ita.doc.gov/ticwebsite/tic.nsf/AF34FA880278BDD58525690D00656C6F/1870BB029CD044CD8525690D00773E5F?OpenDocument>

To locate USDOC offices in US and overseas

<http://www.mdba.com>

Leads in multilateral development banks, consulting

<http://www.alibaba.com>

World's largest database of suppliers

<http://www.itdn.net>

International Trade Data Network

### Overseas Trade Mission and Trade Shows

[http://export.gov/comm\\_svc/tradeevents.html](http://export.gov/comm_svc/tradeevents.html)

USDOC trade events

<http://www.exhibitor.net>

Exhibitor Networks

<http://www.reedexpo.com>

Reed Exhibition Companies

<http://www.tradeshowweek.com>

Tradeshow Week Online

<http://www.allworldexhibitions.com/>

Allworld Exhibitions

<http://www.tsn.com>

Trade show network

<http://www.internettradeshowlist.com>

High-tech trade show list

<http://www.techweb.com/calendar/>

High-tech trade show list

### Standards & Regulations

<http://ts.nist.gov/ts/htdocs/210/ncsci/ncsci.htm>

National Center for Standards & Certification Info.

<http://www.iso.ch>

International Standards Organization (ISO)

<http://www.ansi.org>

The American National Standards Institute

<http://www.treas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/>

Office of Foreign Assets Control of US Treasury

<http://www.pmdtc.org>

Office of Defense Trade Controls, State Department

<http://www.treas.gov/offices/eotffc/ofac/sanctions/index.html?IMAGE.X=30&IMAGE.Y=10>

Sanctions information (Office of Foreign Assets Control)

<http://www.unzco.com>

UNZ and Company, trade compliance