



INTERNATIONAL  
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# Trans-Pacific Partnership








## Texas: Supporting Made-in-America Exports and Jobs



### TPP Countries\* are Important for Texas's Exporters

- **\$156.6 Billion** in goods exports from Texas to TPP countries in 2014, including **\$5.5 Billion** in goods exports to Japan, **\$1.7 Billion** to Malaysia, and **\$574 Million** to Vietnam
- **54%** of Texas's goods exports went to TPP countries in 2014
- **18,917** companies from Texas exported goods to TPP countries in 2013 – **91%** were small and medium sized companies

## TPP Will Eliminate All Foreign Import Taxes on Industrial and Consumer Goods, Benefiting Texas's Top Export Sectors

	 Information and Communication Technologies	 Chemicals	 Machinery	 Transportation Equipment	 High-Tech Instruments
Before TPP	<b>\$2.1 Billion</b> State's Exports to New TPP Countries** in 2014  <b>35%</b> Current Maximum Tariff in Sector	<b>\$2.1 Billion</b> State's Exports to New TPP Countries** in 2014  <b>35%</b> Current Maximum Tariff in Sector	<b>\$508 Million</b> State's Exports to New TPP Countries** in 2014  <b>59%</b> Current Maximum Tariff in Sector	<b>\$428 Million</b> State's Exports to New TPP Countries** in 2014  <b>25%</b> Current Maximum Tariff in Sector	<b>\$214 Million</b> State's Exports to New TPP Countries** in 2014  <b>25%</b> Current Maximum Tariff in Sector
With TPP	<b>99.6%</b> of U.S. Goods Exports will be <b>Duty-Free Immediately</b> in the New TPP Countries	<b>97.2%</b> of U.S. Goods Exports will be <b>Duty-Free Immediately</b> in the New TPP Countries	<b>96.8%</b> of U.S. Goods Exports will be <b>Duty-Free Immediately</b> in the New TPP Countries	<b>99.9%</b> of U.S. Goods Exports will be <b>Duty-Free Immediately</b> in the New TPP Countries	<b>99.6%</b> of U.S. Goods Exports will be <b>Duty-Free Immediately</b> in the New TPP Countries

\* **TPP Countries:** Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, the United States, and Vietnam

\*\* **New TPP Countries:** Countries with which the United States currently does not have preferential market access – Brunei, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, and Vietnam

[www.trade.gov/fta/TPP](http://www.trade.gov/fta/TPP)  
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## Additional New Market Access Benefits for Texas



**Agriculture:** TPP will provide new and commercially meaningful market access for U.S. exports of food and agricultural products;

eliminate the use of agricultural export subsidies; discourage countries from imposing export restrictions; and ensure food safety, animal health, and plant health measures are developed and implemented transparently and in a science-based manner.

For more information, please visit:  
[www.fas.usda.gov/TPP](http://www.fas.usda.gov/TPP)



**Services:** TPP will expand market access and investment opportunities in a number of services sectors, including entertainment, telecommunications, software licensing, the Internet industry, retailing, and logistics/express delivery. TPP will bar discrimination against digital provision of services and prevent customs duties on electronic transmissions.

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## TPP Works for Texas

### Saves Money, Increases Competitiveness



**Intellectual Property Rights:** Establishes strong protections for patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets, including safeguards against cyber-theft of trade secrets, as well as robust enforcement that will protect innovation and the good jobs it supports.

**Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) and Regulatory Coherence:** Enhances transparency, reduces unnecessary testing and certification costs, and promotes greater openness as standards are developed. Establishes sector-specific TBT commitments on medical devices, pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, information and communication technologies, food and food additives, organics, and distilled spirits that strive to align standards and regulations across the TPP region.

**Customs and Rules of Origin:** Creates transparent and predictable rules to facilitate the quick release of goods and promote TPP regional supply chains. Promotes common rules of origin and customs procedures to ensure that TPP benefits go to the United States and other TPP countries, not countries like China.

**Government Procurement:** Increases access to government procurement markets in TPP countries and ensures fair, transparent, and non-discriminatory rules.

**Digital Economy:** Establishes requirements that support a single, global Internet, including ensuring a free flow of data across borders. Promotes non-discriminatory treatment of digital products transmitted electronically, including a commitment that TPP countries will not impose customs duties on digital products.

### Promotes Fairness & American Values



**Enforcement:** Establishes fair and transparent dispute settlement mechanism that applies to all chapters and procedures to settle disputes in a timely manner.

**Labor:** Establishes enforceable obligations, including adherence to fundamental labor rights as recognized by the International Labor Organization.

**Environment:** Creates strong and enforceable environment obligations and includes new provisions on wildlife trafficking, illegal logging, and illegal fishing practices.

**State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs):** Develops rules to ensure that U.S. private sector businesses and workers are able to compete on fair terms with SOEs engaged in commercial activity.

**Investment:** Ensures that U.S. investors have the same kinds of protections in TPP markets that the United States already provides to investors here at home.

## Texas Companies and Workers Depend on World Markets

**1,117,318**

U.S. Jobs Supported  
by Goods Exported  
from Texas in 2014



**\$288.0 Billion**

2014 Total Goods  
Exports from  
Texas



**41,558**

Companies  
Exported Goods from  
Texas in 2013



**93%**

SME share of Goods-  
Exporting Companies  
from Texas in 2013



**35%**

SME share of  
Texas's Goods  
Exports in 2013



## Metropolitan Exports in 2014



- Houston – The Woodlands – Sugar Land **\$119.0 Billion**
- Dallas – Fort Worth – Arlington **\$28.7 Billion**
- San Antonio – New Braunfels **\$25.8 Billion**