

United States Government
2006 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)
PANAMA

			FY06 Total
Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	
Border Security: Parliamentary Exchange with Panama	Promotes border security and customs operations by hosting a parliamentary exchange with Panama on key issues. This activity is part of the Export Control and Related Border Security Assistance (EXBS) program, the premier initiative by the U.S. Government to help other countries improve their export control systems. The EXBS program takes a regional and multilateral approach, promoting harmonization of national export control systems with international standards and facilitating information-sharing agreements among nations. The program also organizes a number of regional fora to bring national policymakers and technical experts together to share information and best practices. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Customs Operation & Administration	50,000
		Activity Total	50,000
Trade Capacity Building in Panama	The Trade Capacity Building (TCB) project implements and operates an assistance window that builds upon previous activities to help enhance export capacity and competitiveness of small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). The facility works with the private sector with support from the Government of Panama. Results to date include: (1) shrimp, dairy and teak market reports, (2) guide on e-tourism, (3) reports on food safety for export, and on competitiveness, (4) technical assistance window for SMEs, a manual for the operation of the window, and three launching events to promote it, (5) established process for selecting proposals to receive technical assistance, and selected 24 proposals after receiving 54, (9) initiated development of individual project strategies and budgets for 24 projects, and (10) initiated process for collecting company contributions and managing the cost-sharing component of the project. Funded and implemented by USAID/Panama.	Other Trade Facilitation	29,700
		Business Services & Training	29,700
		Export Promotion	138,600
		Activity Total	198,000

*Source: USG Trade Capacity Building Database, USAID Data Services,
<http://quesdb.usaid.gov/tcb/index.html>.*

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Border Security: Parliamentary Exchange with Panama	50,000
Trade Capacity Building in Panama	198,000
Total FY06 TCB Funding	248,000

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