

GTAP Related Activities at the International Trade Administration (ITA) 2015-2016

ITA has been using GTAP since 2006. The primary use of GTAP by ITA has been in response to internal ITA generated requests or requests from other U.S. Government agencies. Recently ITA has also been using GTAP to estimate the dollar value of ITA activities as part of an ongoing program evaluation project.

The most recent activity analyzed as part of the program evaluation effort was ITA's participation in the expansion of the WTO's Information Technology Agreement. U.S. participation in the negotiation of this agreement involved significant input from ITA. The impact of the agreement was simulated using the static comparative GTAP mode. The TASTE and SplitCom applications were utilized in an effort to disaggregate the standard GTAP sectors and to calculate tariff shocks.