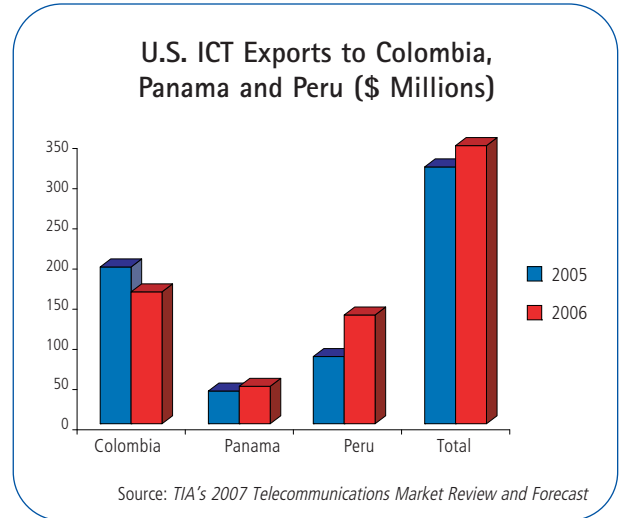




U.S. Trade Promotion Agreements (TPA) with Colombia, Panama and Peru

Overview

- The total telecommunications market of Colombia, Panama, and Peru is valued at more than \$7.6 billion.
- U.S. ICT exports to these countries grew by 8.4% between 2005 and 2006.
- Broadband and wireless subscriber growth indicates that opportunities for U.S. ICT exports continue to exist.
- U.S. telecom equipment exports currently face tariffs ranging from 4 to 10 percent.
- 90 percent of U.S. imports from Colombia, Panama and Peru are duty free.
- 80 percent of U.S. exports to these countries would become duty free immediately as a result of these agreements.
- Colombia and Peru, as part of their commitments, have agreed to join the WTO's Information Technology Agreement, thereby eliminating tariffs on most telecom equipment
- TIA urges Congress to pass the U.S. Trade Promotion Agreements with Colombia, Peru and Panama.



ICT Sector Penetration (per 1,000 people)

Country	Wireless Subscribers		Internet Users		Broadband Subscribers	
	2000	2005	2000	2005	2000	2005
	Colombia	54	479	21	104	0.2
Panama	139	418	36	64	1.3	5.4
Peru	49	200	31	164	0	12.5
Total	242	1097	88	332	1.5	24.9

Source: TIA's 2007 Telecommunications Market Review and Forecast

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TIA is a leading trade association for the information and communications technology (ICT) industry, with approximately 600 member companies that manufacture or supply the products and services used in global communications. TIA represents its members on the full range of public policy issues affecting the industry, forges consensus on industry standards, and helps its members develop new business in foreign markets.

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