

KEYS TO EXPORT GROWTH FOR THE CHEMICAL SECTOR



Boosting U.S. exports continues to be one of the most promising avenues to strengthen U.S. competitiveness, economic recovery and job creation. Sustainable export growth, however, depends on getting key policies and regulations right, particularly in areas such as trade, energy, tax, regulations and transportation.



TRADE

Advancing open trade policies would boost U.S. economic growth and export expansion.

- TransPacific Economic Partnership could create **\$1.2 billion** in exports for chemical sector alone.
- Comprehensive U.S.-E.U. trade agreement would reduce regulatory and trade barriers and bolster chemical sector competitiveness.
- Eliminating industrial tariffs across the Atlantic could save up to **\$600 million** per year for intra-company trade alone, reducing cost all along the value chain.



ENERGY

Comprehensive energy policy and expanded shale gas development would fully realize export potential of U.S. chemical manufacturing.

- Affordable, abundant supply of natural gas for chemical feedstock gives U.S. chemical manufacturers a competitive advantage over oil-dependent countries and could lead to **\$20 billion** in additional U.S. exports.



REGULATIONS

An efficient, predictable regulatory environment that boosts business competitiveness and consumer confidence can advance U.S. export growth by **\$16 billion**.



TRANSPORTATION

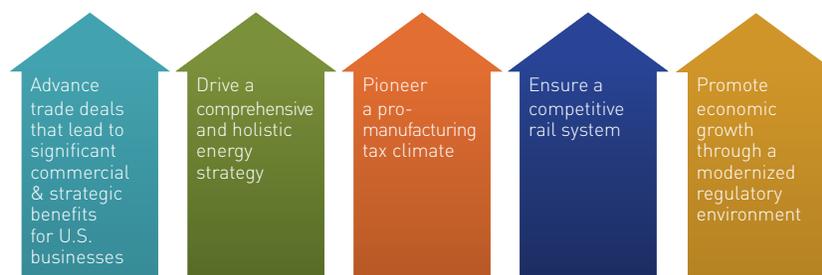
Increasing rail competition would lead to stronger global competitiveness for the chemical sector and the entire U.S. manufacturing industry.



TAX

Innovation and manufacturing-focused tax policy that reduces transaction costs can promote up to **\$5.5 billion** in additional U.S. exports.

ACC'S KEYS TO EXPORT GROWTH



The American Chemistry Council (ACC) represents the leading companies engaged in the business of chemistry. The business of chemistry is a \$770 billion enterprise and a key element of the nation's economy. It is one of the largest exporting sectors in the U.S., accounting for 12 percent of U.S. exports.