



U.S.-Israel Free Trade Agreement

Following the 1985 bilateral free-trade agreement between the United States and Israel, the two countries signed an Agreement on Trade in Agricultural Products (ATAP) in November 1996. The ATAP is not a permanent agreement. It provides improved access for a tightly limited amount of U.S. dairy products and other agricultural goods. It requires renegotiation and extension every few years. The U.S. is currently engaged in such a renegotiation process designed to renew and expand the ATAP.

USDEC is working with USTR and USDA to pursue new opportunities to increase exports into Israel through both the existing ATAP terms and the ongoing negotiation efforts to expand the access granted by Israel.

Details of the Israel agreement can also be found at the following USTR website:

<http://www.ustr.gov/trade-agreements/free-trade-agreements/israel-fta>