COMPANIES OPERATING IN GKCFTZ

The GKCFTZ has approximately 2500 full-time employees in 10 active sites. There are 18 designated GKCFTZ sites.



POLICY ISSUES FACING LOCAL IMPORTERS AND FTZ OPERATORS

1. UNITED STATES-MEXICO-CANADA AGREEMENT (USMCA) - NAFTA imposed unfair and punitive restrictions on the ability of FTZ manufacturers to export products duty-free to Canada and Mexico and to use the rules of origin to make those products more cost-competitive with Canadian and Mexican products in NAFTA markets. NAFTZ developed legislative proposals to address these problems and will work to get those proposals introduced in Congress for inclusion on a miscellaneous trade bill (MTB) or another legislative vehicle in 2020.

2. END DISCRIMINATORY TRADE-ACTION TARIFFS ON FTZ-MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS - Inequitable tariff treatment between U.S.-based manufacturers located inside and outside an FTZ in the assessment of duties under various trade actions (Sections 201, 232, 301, etc.). Sec. 201 and 301 country-of-origin reporting requirements for entries from an FTZ resulted in certain instances in the improper assessment of these duties on the value of all foreign inputs incorporated into products manufactured in an FTZ, including inputs that are not products of a targeted nation or are not merchandise included on the published list of targeted foreign products subject to the trade action.

3. 321/DE MINIMIS - Changes to U.S. informal-entry rules increasing the duty-free de minimis level for imported goods from \$200 to \$800 adversely impacted FTZ distribution operations by encouraging a shift of e-commerce fulfilment from the U.S. market to Canada, Mexico, and other foreign locations. NAFTZ is a participant in an industry coalition that is planning to get a proposal introduced in Congress within the first three months of 2020 for inclusion on the MTB or another legislative vehicle.

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GREATER KANSAS CITY FOREIGN TRADE ZONE, INC.

The intent of the FTZ program is to stimulate economic growth in the United States. It's designed to promote American competitiveness domestically and overseas by reducing, deferring or eliminating duties on goods sourced overseas then brought into Zones for value-added work by US employees, and thereafter entered into the commerce of the US or exported. The program is an incentive to firms to maintain and expand their business in the US and entice foreign companies to establish U.S. operations.



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GREATER KANSAS CITY FOREIGN TRADE ZONE (GKCFTZ)

GKCFTZ is a regional grantee of the national FTZ program. GKCFTZ has been the grantee since 1974 and was the first non-profit organization to be designated a grantee. GKCFTZ sponsors both Foreign-Trade Zone No. 15 in Kansas City, Missouri and Zone No. 17 in Kansas City, Kansas. Zone 15 serves FTZ needs in 22 contiguous counties in the western half Missouri. Zone 17 presently serves 9 counties in metropolitan Kansas City, KS.

BENEFITS TO COMPANIES AND COMMUNITIES

- Effective tools to increase the global competitiveness of U.S.-based operations and promote exports.
- Provide savings for U.S.-based firms through duty deferral and reduction, encouraging U.S. investment and employment that could otherwise be conducted outside the U.S.
- Help attract investment in American communities.
- Source component products at competitive prices while keeping important value-added activities in the U.S.
- Improve Customs & Border Protection compliance, leading to a more secure supply chain and improved transit time.
- No limit on the length of time merchandise can be in the FTZ helps companies prepare for unexpected supply chain issues.

U.S. FOREIGN TRADE ZONES



GREATER KANSAS CITY FOREIGN TRADE ZONE 2018 METRICS

GKCFTZ Zones produce greatest economic value of all Zones in KS and MO ranking both states in top 25 States for Zone Activity for past several years

GKCFTZ 2018 NATIONAL RANKINGS:



Overall value of merchandise exported from FTZ's



GKCFTZ OPERATIONS:

- \$2.7 billion in value of merchandise received: 13
- \$2.3 billion in value of merchandise forwarded:
- \$576 million in goods exported: 20% increase of
- \$1.76 billion Total of goods entered to U.S. Com

2018 STATE SUMMARIES

KANSAS 2018 SUMMARY	GKCFTZ - ZONE 17	OTHER KANSAS FTZS	2018 TOTAL FOR KS
Merchandise Received	\$500-750 MIL	\$50-75 MIL	\$750-1,000 MIL
Exports	\$10-25 MIL	\$0	\$10-25 MIL
Total Shipments	\$500-750 MIL	\$50-75 MIL	\$750-1,000 MIL
Employees	251-500	1-25	251-500
MISSOURI 2018 SUMMARY	GKCFTZ - ZONE 15	OTHER MO FTZS	2018 TOTAL FOR MO
MISSOURI 2018 SUMMARY Merchandise Received	GKCFTZ - ZONE 15 \$1,000-5,000 MIL	OTHER MO FTZS \$500-1,000 MIL	2018 TOTAL FOR MO \$1,000-5,000 MIL
Merchandise Received	\$1,000-5,000 MIL	\$500-1,000 MIL	\$1,000-5,000 MIL
Merchandise Received Exports	\$1,000-5,000 MIL \$500-750 MIL	\$500-1,000 MIL \$0	\$1,000-5,000 MIL \$500-750 MIL



The FTZ Act is amended to allow duty deferral

for production equipment installed in a zone.

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Value of merchandise

*Both Rankings are related to KCMO and Zone 15

37% increase over 2017
8% increase over 2017
over 2017
nmerce: 4% increase over 2017

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FTZ Board publishes revised 15 CFR Part 400 regulations significantly streamlining the regulation of the program.



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President signs the Trade Facilitation and **2016** Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 into law.