# **Border Congressional Briefing**

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#### **ACA'S STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK**

**VISION**: Arizona is the best location for high-quality business growth

MISSION: Grow & diversify Arizona's Economy & create quality jobs for its citizens by supporting and attracting businesses in targeted, high-growth clusters, with an emphasis on the base industries.

#### **STRATEGIES:**

Recruit

Grow

Create

#### **ACTION PLAN:**

Increase **Awareness** of Arizona's Attractiveness

Enhance Arizona's Competitiveness

**Coordinate** Arizona's Economic Development

Make Arizona Preferred Location for Target Industries: **A&D**, **Semiconductors**, **Optics**, **Biosciences**, **Solar Energy** 

Make Arizona a Leading Hub in **High-Quality Manufacturing** and **Advanced Business Services** 

Foster Innovation and Support Entrepreneurship

Become a Preferred Trading Partner with Mexico and Canada

Support Employerfocused, Demand-driven Workforce Development

Develop Infrastructure to Support Economic Growth

Integrate All Areas of Arizona into the State's Growth



# **Going Global Matters**

95% of the World's Consumers and 80% of the World's Purchasing Power is outside the U.S.

 Grows sales, diversifies customer base, hedges against economic downturns, and creates good jobs

Arizona set records with its global engagement in 2014; Exporting \$21.1
 Billion and Importing \$19.7 Billion

Over 115,000 Arizona jobs depend on a strong relationship with Mexico



### Mexico is our leading trade partner

- Mexico is our leading trading partner, last year we exported \$8.6 billion and imported \$7.3 billion. Border Ports handled \$30 billion.
- We build things together. Arizona Mexico Economic Indicators <a href="https://azmex.eller.arizona.edu/">https://azmex.eller.arizona.edu/</a>
- Mexico's consumer market is large and growing, by 2018 expected to add
  1.6 million, creating a market that surpasses \$325 billion.
- Automotive parts/supplies; building materials/services; education and training services; energy; environmental technologies; franchising; IT services; medical devices; packaging equipment; plastic materials/resins; renewable energy; security and safety equipment/services; smart grid; telecommunications equipment; transportation infrastructure equipment/services; travel/tourism services; agriculture and infrastructure.



#### **ACA Export Programs and Resources**

- The State has two offices in Mexico; Hermosillo, Sonora and Mexico City-Key to expanding reach to target markets.
- Expertise across the export continuum—new to exporting; new to market; and expanding.
- Services include market research; sales partner identification; in country matchmaking; linguistics assistance; trade show and technical assistance
- Trade and Export Promotion Program has helped 240 companies in 30 Arizona cities and town sell more than \$46 million to 81 countries.
- RevAZ ExporTech intensive 60 day boot camp for 6 to 8 companies;
  4<sup>th</sup> underway with companies in the aerospace, medical technology, automotive and telecommunication sectors.



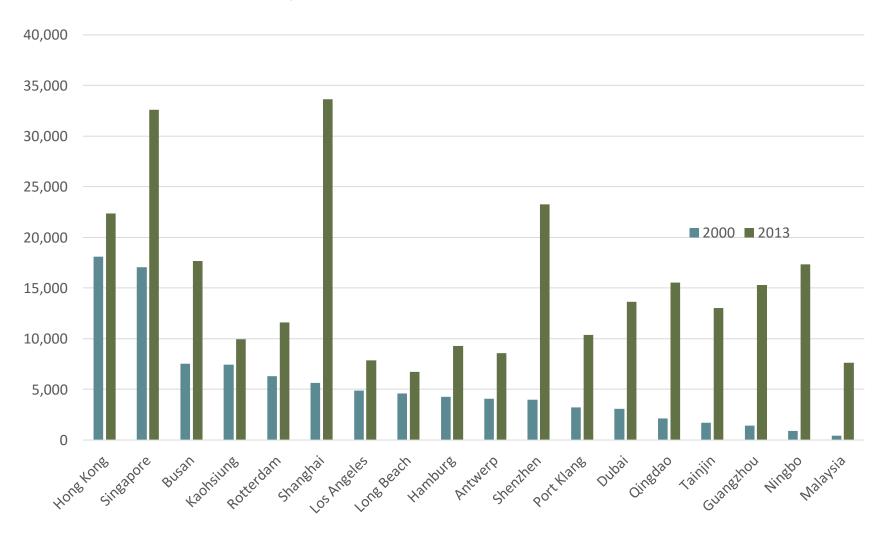
# **Guaymas: Long History of Binational Engagement**

- Analysis; Missions, Reverse Missions and Marketing/Promotion
- Recognized as a regional jewel with growth opportunities
- AMC June 2014 featured investment opportunities in Mexico's sea ports by SCT, notably the Port of Guaymas. Featured in USTDA Mexico Resource Guide:
  - http://www.ustda.gov/program/regions/lac/MexicoResouceGuide.pdf
- Pima County's Plan includes a specific strategy to strengthen relationship between Port of Guaymas and Port of Tucson; Mesa has a sister city relationship with Guaymas



#### Top World Container Ports: 2000 and 2013

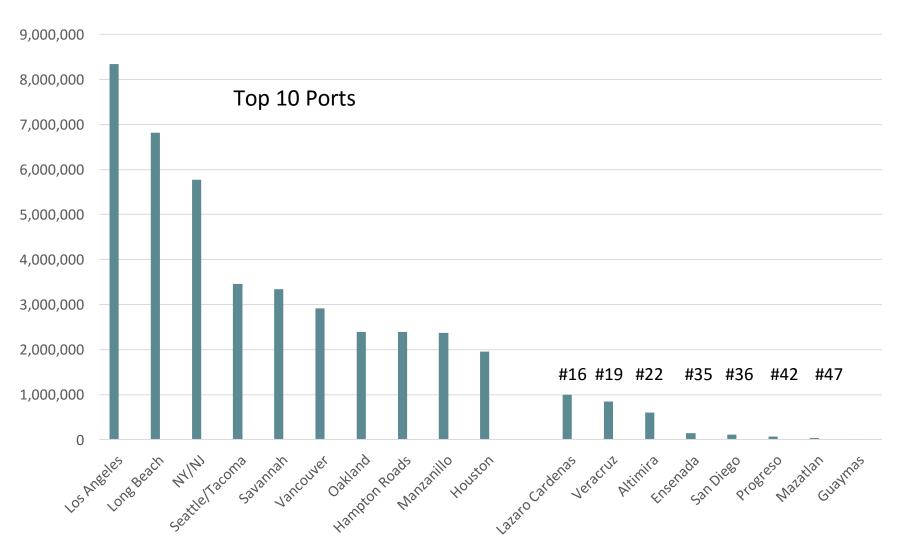
(Thousands of loaded and unloaded TEUs)





#### **NAFTA** Region: Container Traffic

(2014 Port Rankings by TEUs)





# **QUESTIONS & GRATITUDE**

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