

# Rapid Growth in RTAs

- According to WTO, if we take into account RTAs:
  - which are in force but have not been notified,
  - those signed but not yet in force,
  - those currently being negotiated,
  - and those in the proposal stage, we arrive at a figure of **close to 400 RTAs** which are scheduled to be implemented by 2010.
- Of these RTAs, free trade agreements (FTAs) and partial scope agreements account for over 90%, while customs unions account for less than 10 %.

# Well Know RTAs

- **The European Union (EU)**
  - Austria Belgium Bulgaria Cyprus Czech Republic Denmark Estonia Finland France Germany Greece Hungary Ireland Italy Latvia Lithuania Luxembourg Malta Poland Portugal Romania Slovak Republic Slovenia Spain Sweden The Netherlands United Kingdom
- **The European Free Trade Association (EFTA)**
  - Iceland Liechtenstein Norway Switzerland
- **The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)**
  - Canada Mexico United States
- **The Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR)**
  - Argentina Brazil Paraguay Uruguay
- **The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Free Trade Area (AFTA)**
  - Brunei Darussalam Cambodia Indonesia Laos Malaysia Myanmar Philippines Singapore Thailand Vietnam
- **The Common Market of Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)**
  - Angola Burundi Comoros Democratic Republic of Congo Djibouti Egypt Eritrea Ethiopia Kenya Madagascar Malawi Mauritius Namibia Rwanda Seychelles Sudan Swaziland Uganda Zambia Zimbabwe

# U.S. RTAs

<b>Growth in Total U.S. Exports to Free Trade Agreement Countries</b>			
<b>Country</b>	<b>2007 MMUSD</b>	<b>2008 MMUSD</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
NAFTA	332,499	353,931	6.45%
Canada	213,118	222,424	4.40%
Mexico	119,381	131,507	10.20%
CAFTA-DR	21,274	23,922	12.45%
Costa Rica	4,224	5,047	19.50%
Dominican Rep	5,793	6,293	8.60%
Guatemala	3,872	4,493	16.00%
Honduras	4,327	4,699	8.60%
Nicaragua	846	1,030	21.70%
El Salvador	2,209	2,357	6.70%
Australia	17,916	20,948	16.90%
Bahrain	565	779	37.80%
Chile	7,610	11,366	49.40%
Israel	9,940	10,238	3.00%
Jordan	831	904	8.70%
Morocco	1,333	1,506	12.90%
Oman	1,034	1,380	33.40%
Peru	3,764	5,686	51.10%
Singapore	23,576	25,655	8.80%
<b>Total</b>	<b>420,348</b>	<b>456,319</b>	<b>8.60%</b>
Source: <a href="http://www.usitc.gov">www.usitc.gov</a> , data compiled from tariff and trade data from the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. International Trade Commission.			