

GSP MATTERS FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE

The Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program benefits American companies and workers by cutting tariffs (i.e., taxes) on certain products sourced from developing countries. In 2016, GSP saved American companies \$729 million, including \$2.3 million in waived tariffs on imports into New Hampshire. However, GSP will expire and companies in New Hampshire will face higher taxes unless Congress passes new legislation to renew GSP before December 31, 2017.

New Hampshire's 2016
GSP Imports

\$49.9 million

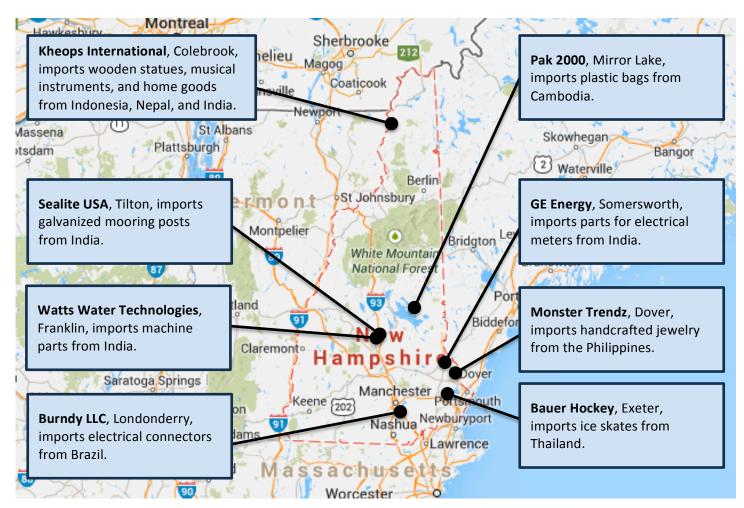
New Hampshire's 2016 GSP Savings

\$2.3 million

Average Tariff Without GSP

4.6%

NEW HAMPSHIRE COMPANIES IMPORTING UNDER GSP



Source for all data is The Trade Partnership, supplemented by company import records from Panjiva.



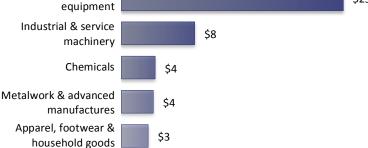


NEW HAMPSHIRE'S IMPORTS UNDER GSP

GSP eliminates tariffs on about 3,500 products. Most New Hampshire imports under GSP are raw materials and industrial goods whose duty-free treatment helps American companies remain competitive. About 73 percent of New Hampshire's tax savings from GSP come on imports from three countries: India, Philippines, and Thailand.







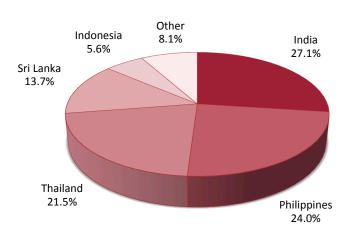
\$1

Recreational

Electric & electric

generating equipment

New Hampshire's GSP Savings by Country, 2016



GSP EXPIRATION HURTS AMERICAN COMPANIES AND WORKERS

The GSP program has a long history of expirations and retroactive renewals. Yet recent surveys show how damaging the expirations – and positive the renewals – can be for companies and workers that rely on GSP.



GSP saved New Hampshire companies about \$6.7 million from 2011 to 2016. However, about \$2.0 million of that came while GSP was expired. So companies paid the taxes without knowing when or if – Congress would renew GSP retroactively.

When GSP expires, the uncertainty causes many companies to take drastic steps, from laying off workers to delaying investments to cutting benefits, stunting growth and harming workers.

Only after GSP was renewed could companies start growing and investing again in their workers and communities. Even then, companies often wait over a year to receive all of their refunds.

Congress must renew GSP before it expires again on December 31, 2017.





^A Survey; 230 respondents; Fall 2014

^B Survey; 135 respondents; Fall 2016