

# Lobbying and Free Trade Agreements

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## Summary of Research

- Field: International Political Economy
- Topic: Domestic Lobbying Activities, and their effect on the form & passage of Free Trade Agreements
- Data Source: Official Lobbying Actives at the U.S. Congress via Lobbying Disclosure Reports (**See Below\***)
- Novel Contribution(s):
  - Compilation of Dataset (**See Below\***)
  - Examination of whether or not the 'Direction' of Lobbying (Question 2) has an effect on the relationship isolated in Step 1 (Question 1)

## Methodology of Research

### Step / Question 1

- Observe the relationship between Lobbying and Free Trade Agreements?
  - Compilation of novel Data Set, by Coding all Lobbying Disclosure Reports with mentions of Free Trade Agreements
  - Results Pending from Regression Analysis



### Step / Question 2

- Deduce 'Direction' of Lobbying — Preference as regards FTAs (In Favour / Opposition)
  - News-Search Analysis (**Lexis-Nexus Database**)
  - Official and Internal Document Analysis (**Bloomberg Database**)
  - Questionare (Pending Responses)
  - ❖ Data on 'Direction' is **NOT** required in Disclosure Reports

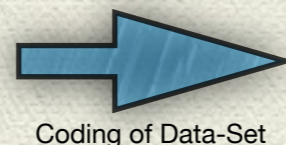
LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 101) - All House Members Complete This Page

Registrant Name: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION  
Address: 21100 N. TAMPA AVENUE, SUITE 100, TAMPA, FL 33613  
Date: 02/28/2008

TYPE OF REPORT: [ ] Initial [ ] Subsequent [ ] Other

TYPE OF EXPENSES: [ ] Salary [ ] Travel [ ] Other



Coding of Data-Set

REGISTRATION NUMBER	REGISTRANT NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP	DATE	TYPE OF REPORT	TYPE OF EXPENSES	AMOUNT	REMARKS
000001	IBM CORPORATION	21100 N. TAMPA AVENUE	TAMPA	FL	33613	02/28/2008	Initial	Salary	10000	...
000002	IBM CORPORATION	21100 N. TAMPA AVENUE	TAMPA	FL	33613	03/15/2008	Subsequent	Travel	5000	...
000003	IBM CORPORATION	21100 N. TAMPA AVENUE	TAMPA	FL	33613	04/01/2008	Other	Other	2000	...