Japan's Economic Expansion and Foreign Trade, 1955 to 1970, a study by the GATT secretariat, has just been published.

The study examines the role which foreign trade has played in the remarkable economic growth of Japan over the past fifteen years. Among topics discussed are the changing pattern of this growth in successive periods; the outlook for further growth; the relationship between Japanese production and merchandise trade, and in particular the shift from labour-intensive to capital-intensive products; and Japan's position in the world economy. The study analyzes the product composition of Japan's exports to, and imports from, its principal trading partners, and also traces trends in the Japanese balances of trade and payments over the fifteen-year period.

Japan's Economic Growth and Foreign Trade, 1955-1970 is available in English, French and Spanish language editions. It may be ordered (price US$2.00 or Sw F 8) from the GATT secretariat, Villa Le Bocage, Palais des Nations, 1211 Geneva 10.