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I have a B-1 visa, can I sell my goods or products while I'm in the U.S. at a *trade* show or conference?

As a B-1 visa holder, you can temporarily bring goods or products into the United States to solicit orders but you cannot sell them or make money in the United States. If you visit the U.S for a business venture, conference, meeting, *trade* show, exhibition, sales, etc. you will receive no salary, or income from a U.S. based company, source or entity.

For an overview of the B-1 visa, see the [Department of State Business Visitor Visa \(B-1\)](http://travel.state.gov/content/visas/english/visit/visitor.html) (<http://travel.state.gov/content/visas/english/visit/visitor.html>).

Visit CBP.gov (<http://CBP.gov>) for information on the [Temporary Admissions for certain goods and samples](http://www.cbp.gov/trade/nafta/guide-customs-procedures/effect-nafta/en-temp-admissions) (<http://www.cbp.gov/trade/nafta/guide-customs-procedures/effect-nafta/en-temp-admissions>).

For information on *trade* show and exhibit requirements see our Q&A - [Trade Shows Exhibiting a product/booths](https://help.cbp.gov/cs/s/article/Article-1212?language=en_US) (https://help.cbp.gov/cs/s/article/Article-1212?language=en_US).

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<http://www.cbp.gov/border-security/ports-entry/operations/preclearance>

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