

Section III. -Work in Progress

More than 46 projects were in progress during fiscal year 1985, including 6 new studies.

This section lists the titles of assessments underway or in press, as of September 30, 1985. For a full description of these projects, please refer to the current "Assessment Activities," OTA-PC-105. This booklet may be obtained from OTA by calling OTA's Publication Request Line (202) 224-8996.

Energy, Materials, and International Security Division
Technology and the American economic transition

Energy and Materials Program

Western surface mine reclamation
High-technology ceramics and polymer composites

Industry, Technology, and Employment Program

Technology and structural unemployment: reemploying displaced adults
International competition in the service industries

International Security and Commerce Program

Technology transfer to China
Alternatives for improving NATO's defense response

Health and Life Sciences Division

Food and Renewable Resources Program

Technology, public policy, and the changing structure of American agriculture
Technologies to maintain biological diversity
Integrated renewable resources management for U.S. insular areas
Low resource agriculture in developing countries

Health Program

Evaluation of agent orange protocol (mandated study)
Status of biomedical research and related technology for tropical diseases
Medicare's Prospective Payment System: strategies for evaluating cost, quality, and medical technology
Technology and Indian health care: effectiveness, access, and efficiency
Physician payment and medical technology under the Medicare Program
Technologies for detecting heritable mutations

Biological Applications Program

Alternatives to animal use in research, testing, and education
Reproductive health hazards in the workplace
Life-sustaining technologies and the elderly
Disorders causing dementia

Science, Information, and Natural Resources Division

Communication and Information Technologies Program

Automation and America's offices

Federal Government information technology: congressional oversight
and civil liberties

Intellectual property rights in an age of electronics and information

New communications technology: implications for privacy and security

Oceans and Environment Program

Wastes in the marine environment: their management and disposal

Technologies to control illegal drug traffic

Science, Education, and Transportation Program

Hazardous materials transportation: technology issues