

## **ABSTRACT**

Subsidy issue has taken place in GATT agreement (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) signed in 1947, and extended scope in WTO and SCMA agreements in 1994. Agreements of European Coal and Steel Community and European Union have formed the state aid concept. In the following years of World War II, using of state aids had increased in almost every country till the ends of 70's, and had gained constancy with the tight budget policies in 80's, but has shown a tendency to decrease in 90's. The State Aids have been primarily given to industries on downfall and regional supports in 80's. The focus of today's state aids are mostly on social aims such as regional improvement supports, technology or Research and Development, education, employment, environmental issues.