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New Market Access for U.S. Livestock and Poultry Genetics

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Report Highlights:

The United States and Tunisia have recently agreed to a number of bilateral health certificates to open and/or better facilitate the export of U.S. livestock and poultry genetics, with best prospects being dairy and day-old chick parent stock.

General Information:

The United States and Tunisia have recently agreed to a number of bilateral health certificates to open and/or better facilitate the export of U.S. livestock and poultry genetics to Tunisia, including:

- [Bovine Semen](#) – April 2017
- [Breeding Cattle](#) – June 2017
- [Sheep and Goats](#) – June 2017
- Day-old Poultry and Hatching Eggs – January 2018

See the [APHIS iRegs for Tunisia](#) for the most up to date information.

Best prospects for U.S. exporters are currently dairy genetics and day-old chick parent stock.

Tunisia Imports of Livestock and Poultry Genetics

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Bovine, Live and Semen	\$12,369,493	\$40,150,569	\$20,577,735	\$18,939,089	\$1,047,797
Sheep, Live	\$17,417,737	\$5,206,882	\$1,289,173	\$0	\$0
Goats, Live	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Chickens, Live and Hatching Eggs	\$6,820,474	\$6,690,382	\$8,902,273	\$5,503,261	\$4,398,985
Turkeys, Live and Hatching Eggs	\$3,249,353	\$1,803,833	\$1,587,621	\$1,155,155	\$1,555,118

Source: Global Trade Atlas

Prior to the agreements, Tunisia had permitted U.S. bovine semen into Tunisia under more burdensome import requirements.

Tunisia Imports of Bovine Semen

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
World	\$686,069	\$242,162	\$401,371	\$462,114	\$611,357
United States	\$97,150	\$8,507	\$39,449	\$45,533	\$44,053

Source: Global Trade Atlas

While current information is unavailable from Tunisia Customs, according to the latest information available from the World Trade Organization, Tunisia is believed to still apply an import duty of 36% on all of the above products. Tunisia is also understood to apply a 7% value-added tax on such products.

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