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Report Highlights:

The U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement (USJTA) has been in effect for 17 months, however the timing of Japan's fiscal year meant that the agreement entered "Year 3" of implementation on April 1, 2021. This report is one in a series of product briefs highlighting the tariff benefits for specific commodities and products from Year 3 (2021) to Year 5 (2023) of the agreement. Additional information is available at www.usdajapan.org/usjta/.

Overview: In 2020, the United States exported nearly \$27 million of oil and non-dairy fat products to Japan, making Japan the #23 overseas market. The United States accounted for three percent of Japan's total imports of edible non-dairy fats and oils. The years below correspond to Japan's fiscal year beginning April 1.

Product Name Japan Customs HS Code		Base Rate	Year 3 (2021)	Year 4 (2022)	Year 5 (2023)	Final Tariff (Year)	2020 Imports From U.S.
Safflower oil, crude* 151211210, 151211220	Acid value>0.6	8.5 yen/kg	Free			Free (2019)	\$4,501,924
	Other	10.4 yen/kg	3.47 yen/kg	1.73 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$176,307
Soybean oil, crude* 150710100 150710200	Acid value>0.6	10.9 yen/kg	3.63 yen/kg	1.82 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$2,875,084
	Other	13.2 yen/kg	4.4 yen/kg	2.2 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$57,771
Linseed oil, crude* 151511000		Greater of 5.0% or 5.5 yen/kg	Greater of 1.6% or 1.83 yen/kg	Greater of 0.8% or 0.92 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$888,689
Cottonseed oil and its fractions* 151221090 151229090	Crude	8.5 yen/kg	2.83 yen/kg	1.42 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$0
	Other	8.5 yen/kg	4.72 yen/kg	3.78 yen/kg	2.83 yen/kg	Free (2026)	\$805,597
Rice bran oil and fractions* 151590420		10.4 yen/kg	6.62 yen/kg	5.67 yen/kg	4.73 yen/kg	Free (2028)	\$512,723
Margarine, excl. liquid margarine 151710000		29.8%	9.9%	4.9%	Free	Free (2023)	\$385,559
Pig fat (incl. lard, excl. that of heading 02.09 and 15.03) 150110200, 150120200		8.5 yen/kg	2.83 yen/kg	1.42 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$148,954
Lard stearin, lard oil, oleostearin, oleo-oil and tallow oil, not emulsified or mixed or otherwise prepared 150300000		4.3%	Free			Free (2019)	\$55,494
Castor oil and its fractions* 151530000		4.5%	Free			Free (2019)	\$34,373
Poultry fats (excl. poultry fat in 02.09) 150190000		6.4%	Free			Free (2019)	\$9,235
Sunflower oil, crude* 151211110, 151211120	Acid value>0.6	8.5 yen/kg	2.83 yen/kg	1.42 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$0
	Other	10.4 yen/kg	3.47 yen/kg	1.73 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$2,047
Other processed oil and fat (excl. hydrogenated) 151790900		21.3%	7.1%	3.5%	Free	Free (2023)	\$10,619,459

*not chemically modified

Market Considerations: Japan's fat and oil market is price-sensitive. While imports of oilseeds are generally duty-free, oil imports have been subject to special tariffs. Therefore, most oil has been produced from imported oilseeds crushed in Japan. Exceptions include palm, coconut and olive oils which are tariff-free and have seen imports increase over the past 20 years. The growing market share of non-traditional oils reflects growing health consciousness of Japanese consumers. Imports of animal fats have been stable.

Additional Resources: Further information is available at www.usdajapan.org. For additional questions, please contact the USDA Agricultural Trade Office at atotokyo@usda.gov, Tel: 81-3-3224-5115.

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