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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 \$37 million of sugars (excl. lactose) and sugar confectionary to Japan. The United States accounted for four percent of Japan's total imports of these products. Overall, Japan ranked as the #3 overseas sugar market for the United States. 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.	
Within U.S. Country-Specific Quota: Grows from 540 to 1,350 metric tons by 2028								
Glucose and glucose syrup, not containing added flavoring or coloring	Containing added sugar 170230210, 170240210, 170260210	Less than 20% fructose	85.7% or 60.90 yen/kg*	21.5 yen/kg of the sugar portion of originating good, on which Japan may charge an additional markup based on the difference in price between domestic and imported sugar			---	n/a
		20-50% fructose**	78.5% or 53.7 yen/kg*					n/a
		Exceeds 50% fructose**	85.7% or 60.90 yen/kg*					n/a
	Refined, no added sugar 170230221		21.3%	Free			Free (2019)	\$108,684
	Unrefined, no added sugar 170230229, 170240220, 170260220	Less than 20% fructose	50.0% or 25 yen/kg*	Free			Free (2019)	\$135,955
		20-50% fructose**						\$87,952
Exceeds 50% fructose**		\$0						
Other sugars and sugar syrups not containing added flavoring or coloring matter, excl. Maltose 170290529		50.0% or 25 yen/kg*	Free			Free (2019)	\$488,313	
Out of U.S. Country-Specific Quota								
Chemically pure fructose 170250000		9.0%	Free			Free (2019)	\$10,476,290	
Caramel 170290300		50.0% or 25 yen/kg*	31.8% or 15.91 yen/kg*	27.2% or 13.64 yen/kg*	22.7% or 11.36 yen/kg*	Free (2028)	\$276,552	
Glucose and glucose syrup, containing added flavoring or coloring matter 170230100		29.8% or 23 yen/kg*	18.9% or 14.64 yen/kg*	16.2% or 12.55 yen/kg*	13.5% or 10.45 yen/kg*	Free (2028)	\$143,880	
Cane molasses, other than feed*** 170310090		15.30 yen/kg	5.10 yen/kg	2.55 yen/kg	Free	Free (2023)	\$45,984	
Maple syrup 170220200		17.5% or 13.5 yen/kg*	Free			Free (2021)	\$41,941	
Hi-test molasses*** 170290420		21.3%	13.5%	11.6%	9.6%	Free (2028)	\$22,558	
Chewing gum, whether or not sugar-coated 170410000		24.0%	15.2%	13.0%	10.9%	Free (2028)	\$5,911	
Artificial honey 170290290		50.0% or 25 yen/kg*	31.8% or 15.91 yen/kg*	27.2% or 13.64 yen/kg*	18.1% or 9.09 yen/kg*	Free (2028)	\$0	

* whichever greater **excluding inverted sugar ***excluding for use in certain products stipulated by Cabinet Order

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.

Attachments:

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