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**Report Highlights:**

The U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement (USJTA) will enter Year 5 of agreement implementation on April 1, 2023, eliminating tariffs on multiple products with staging categories where tariffs were reduced in four annual increments beginning on April 1 of Year 2 (April 1, 2020). Products where tariffs will be eliminated in Year 5 include processed pork products, frozen potato products, oranges (imported between April 1 – November 30), fresh cherries, carrot juice, and others.

## General Information:

The U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement (USJTA) entered into force on January 1, 2020. In this agreement, Japan committed to provide improved market access for the United States by phasing out most tariffs, enacting meaningful tariff reductions, or allowing a specific quantity of imports at a lower duty.

On April 1, 2023, the USJTA will enter Year 5 of agreement implementation; eliminating tariffs on multiple products with staging categories where tariffs were reduced in four annual increments beginning on April 1 of Year 2 (April 1, 2020). Products where tariffs will be eliminated in Year 5 include processed pork products, frozen potato products, oranges (imported between April 1 – November 30), fresh cherries, carrot juice, and others (Table 1).

Japan requires that importers make claims for preferential tariff treatment under the USJTA by the time of importation. At the time of import, Japan Customs requires Japanese importers to submit a declaration affirming product origin. In some cases, U.S. exporters may submit supplemental information directly to Japan Customs, however the initial declaration must come from the importer. Additional information is available on the Japan Customs [website](#) and in the FAS/Tokyo GAIN report on [USJTA Rules of Origin](#).

For more on the tariff benefits for specific commodities and products from Year 5 (2023) to Year 7 (2025) of the agreement, click here: <https://usdajapan.org/usjta/>. Tariff treatment for agricultural products under the USJTA is also searchable on the [USDA Agricultural Tariff Tracker](#).

Table 1: Examples of U.S. Agricultural Products that will be Tariff-free beginning April 1, 2023

(Note: This is only a partial list)

Commodity Group	Product Name Japan Customs HS Code	Base Rate	2022 Imports from U.S.
Pork and Pork Products	Processed pork products (incl. ground seasoned pork) 160241/160242-090, 160249-290	20%	\$437,250,481
	Sausage 160100-000	10%	\$36,433,284
Poultry and Egg Products	Bird's egg yolk (not in shell, excl. dried) 040819000	20% or 48 yen/kg*	\$20,560,195
	Bird's egg yolk (not in shell, dried) 040811000	18.8%	\$8,733,161
	Chicken excl. whole chicken and legs with bone in (frozen) 020714220	11.9%	\$1,734,469
Whey	Whey. 45% or more protein, no added sugar, 5% fat content or less 040410148	29.8%+ 425 yen/kg	\$3,553,372
	Whey, Mineral concentrated with ash content of 11% or more (Within U.S. Country-Specific Quota) 040410-125/165	29.8% + 425 yen/kg or 687 yen/kg	\$2,266,401
Potatoes and Potato Products	Frozen, seasoned potato products (e.g., croquette) 200410220	9%	\$133,872,830
	Potato flakes, granules and pellets 110520000	20%	\$29,062,605
	Frozen potatoes (uncooked, steamed or boiled) 071010000	8.5%	\$18,743,833
	Crisp savory food products (made from dough based on potato powder) 190590314, 190590323	9%	\$1,092,250

Fresh Fruit	Fresh or dried oranges (Imported Apr 1 – May 31, Jun 1 -Nov 30 only) 080510000	16%/32%	\$55,090,305
	Fresh cherries (excl. sour cherries) 080929000	8.5%	\$27,432,596
Fruit Juice and Jams	Other single fruit juice (no added sugar) 200989123/200989129	19.1%/25.5%	\$3,832,096
	Prune juice (no added sugar) 200989122	14.4%	\$1,830,791
Fruit Preparations	Strawberries (contain sugar, in pulp form/other/no sugar) 200880110/200880190/200880290	21.0%/11.0%/12.0%	\$6,890,004
	Mixtures of fruit (contain sugar, other than pulp form) 200897219	23.8%	\$3,701,644
	Cherries (contain sugar/no sugar, other than pulp form) 200860110, 200860190/200860290	15.0%/12.0%	\$1,348,974
Fresh and Frozen Vegetables	Frozen mixtures of vegetables (mainly sweet corn) 071090100	10.6%	\$1,101,916
Vegetable Preparations and Juice	Carrot juice (no added sugar, not in airtight containers) 200989231	7.2%	\$35,849,280
	Tomato puree and paste (no add. sugar, non-WTO quota) 200290219, 200290229	16.0%	\$19,878,893
	“Other” prepared or preserved vegetables, not frozen (with added sugar/no added sugar) 200599190/200599999	13.4%/9.0%	\$3,596,921
	Tomato juice (with added sugar/no added sugar) 200950100/200950200	29.8%/21.3%	\$2,327,384
	Other single vegetable juice (with added sugar/no added sugar and not in airtight containers) 200989210/200989239	8.1%/7.2%	\$1,153,819
Grains and Feed	Pastry and cake (contain sugar/no sugar) 190590319/190590329	25.5%/21.3%	\$31,274,965
	Biscuits, cookies, crackers (contain sugar/no sugar) 190590312 /190590322	15.0%/13.0%	\$16,268,731
	Buckwheat, Excluding those rendered suitable solely for sowing by chemical treatment 100810090	9.0%	\$12,498,176
Nuts	Flour, meal and powder of fruit and nuts (excl. bananas) 110630200	15.0%	\$7,250,681
	Peanut butter (contain sugar/no sugar) 200811110/200811210	12.0%/10.0%	\$5,199,598
	Cashew nuts (prep. or preserved, contain sugar) and other roasted nuts (contain sugar) 200819191, 200819192	11.0%	\$3,135,480
	Ground nuts (excl. peanut butter, prep./preserved, contains sugar) 200811120	23.8%	\$2,695,003
Coffee, Tea and Spices	Partly fermented tea, in immediate packings of a content < 3 kg 090230090	17.0%	\$2,879,644
Fats and Oils	Other processed oil and fat (excl. hydrogenated) 151790900	21.3%	\$11,377,578
	Soybean oil, crude, not chemically modified (Acid value>0.6) 150710100	10.9 yen/kg	\$1,752,349

Source: Trade Data Monitor

**Attachments:**

No Attachments.