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Report Highlights:

The U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement (USJTA) entered Year 5 of the agreement implementation on April 1, 2023. This report is one in a series of product briefs highlighting the tariff benefits for specific commodities and products from Year 5 (2023) to Year 7 (2025) of the Agreement. Additional information is available at www.usdajapan.org/usjta/.

Overview: In 2022, the United States exported \$63 million of sugars (excl. lactose) and sugar confectionary to Japan. The United States accounted for over three 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 5 (2023)	Year 6 (2024)	Year 7 (2025)	Final Tariff (Year)	2022 Imports from U.S.	
Within U.S. Country-Specific Quota: Grows from 450 to 1,350 metric tons by 2028								
Glucose and glucose syrup, not containing added flavoring or coloring	Containin g 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)	\$116,439
	Unrefined, no added sugar 170230229, 170240220, 170260220	Less than 20% fructose	50.0% or 25 yen/kg*	Free			Free (2019)	\$657,171
20-50% fructose**		\$0						
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)	\$737,349	
Out of U.S. Country-Specific Quota								
Chemically pure fructose 170250000		9.0%	Free			Free (2019)	\$11,687,800	
Caramel 170290300		50.0% or 25 yen/kg*	22.7% or 11.36 yen/kg*	18.1% or 9.09 yen/kg*	13.6% or 6.82 yen/kg*	Free (2028)	\$331,342	
Cane molasses, other than feed*** 170310090		15.30 yen/kg	Free			Free (2023)	\$204,419	
Hi-test molasses*** 170290420		21.3%	9.6%	7.7%	5.8%	Free (2028)	\$144,222	
Glucose and glucose syrup, containing added flavoring or coloring matter 170230100		29.8% or 23 yen/kg*	13.5% or 10.45 yen/kg*	10.8% or 8.36 yen/kg*	8.1% or 6.27 yen/kg*	Free (2028)	\$100,951	
Maple syrup 170220200		17.5% or 13.5 yen/kg*	Free			Free (2021)	\$54,795	
Artificial honey 170290290		50.0% or 25 yen/kg*	22.7% or 11.36 yen/kg*	18.1% or 9.09 yen/kg*	13.6% or 6.82 yen/kg*	Free (2028)	\$6,678	
Chewing gum, whether or not sugar-coated 170410000		24.0%	10.9%	8.7%	6.5%	Free (2028)	\$0	

* whichever greater **excluding inverted sugar ***excluding for use in certain products stipulated by Cabinet Order
Source: Japan Customs, Trade Data Monitor

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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