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## **Report Highlights:**

This report provides an update on Turkey's export ban on select agricultural products to stabilize local market conditions and keep food prices from running higher. Since March, the Ministry of Agriculture & Forestry (MinAF) has stopped exports of cooking oil, bulk olive oil, margarine, red lentils, dry beans, and butter from Turkey. MinAF may block exports of other agricultural products at any time. Meantime, the Ministry of Trade's export ban on certain agricultural items from bonded warehouses was lifted in early March, just a few days after it was imposed.

## **Export Restrictions Remain, Intended to Stabilize Local Market Conditions:**

In recent months, the Turkish government has imposed export restrictions on certain agricultural products with the intent of stabilizing domestic prices and ensuring sufficient supplies. Notwithstanding these and other market interventions, food prices continue to climb higher. Food inflation in April was nearly 90 percent compared to April of last year, according to official sources. In contrast, an independent think-tank pegged the April food inflation number at a little more than 155 percent.

As previously <u>reported</u>, Post understands that the Ministry of Agriculture & Forestry (MinAF), starting in March, temporarily <u>banned direct exports of cooking oil</u>, bulk olive oil (containers larger than 5kg), margarine, red lentils, and dry beans from Turkey. Butter exports were banned in April. The ban does not apply to humanitarian shipments or to imported items processed under Turkey's inward processing regime (IPR) for re-export. Of these banned products, olive oil is the most significant export to the United States, totaling about \$50 million last year. MinAF has separately confirmed that olive oil contracted prior March 1, 2022, will be allowed for export.

MinAF may, at any time, decide to temporarily restrict other agricultural export items from the list below. The list has been updated a couple of times since it was first published in January, when MinAF was <u>delegated the authority</u> to implement export restrictions for this calendar year. The most recent update, as announced in the April 21, 2022, *Official Gazette*, added milk and cream to the list.

Separately, the Ministry of Trade's (MoT) <u>earlier-reported</u> export ban on certain agricultural commodities, such as grains, oilseeds, and cooking oil, from bonded warehouses was lifted in early March, just days after it was imposed.

1	HS Codes	Commodities	Date Added to List
	0201	Meat of bovine animals	March 4, 2022
	0202		
2	0204	Meat of sheep or goats	March 4, 2022
3	0206	Edible offal	March 4, 2022
	0207.11	Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of heading 0105,	January 27, 2022
	0207.12	fresh, chilled or frozen	
		Not Cut (frozen)	
5	0402	Milk and Cream (Concentrated or containing added sugar or other sweeteners)	April 21, 2022
5	0405.10	Butter	January 27, 2022
7	0407.21	Birds' eggs (Gallus domesticus)	January 27, 2022
3	0701.90	Potatoes, fresh or chilled; Others	January 27, 2022
)	0702.00.00.00.00	Tomatoes, fresh or chilled	January 27, 2022
.0	0703.10.19.00.11	Onion (Dried)	January 27, 2022
1	0703.20.00.00.12	Garlic (Dried)	January 27, 2022
2	0707.00	Cucumbers and gherkins, fresh or chilled	January 27, 2022
.3	0708.20.00.00.11	Beans	January 27, 2022
.4	0709.30.00.00.00	Aubergines (eggplants)	January 27, 2022
.5	0709.60.10.00.11	Green Pepper	January 27, 2022
16	0710.80.10.00.00 0711.20 2001.90.65 2004.90.30 2005.70		January 27, 2022
.7	071310	Pea	March 4, 2022
	07.13.33.90.00.19	Kidney beans, including white pea beans (Phaseolus vulgaris)	January 27, 2022
19	0713.40.00.00.13	Lentil Red	January 27, 2022
	0805.10	Oranges	January 27, 2022
21	0805.21 0805.22 0805.29	Mandarins (including tangerines and satsumas); clementines, wilkings and similar citrus hybrids	January 27, 2022
22	0805.50	Lemons (Citrus limon, Citrus limonum) and sweet lemons	January 27, 2022
23	0807.11.00.00.00	Watermelons	January 27, 2022
24	0808.10	Apple	January 27, 2022
25	1006	Rice	March 4, 2022
26	1101.00	Wheat flour	March 4, 2022
.7	1102.20	Corn meal	March 4, 2022
28	1103.11	Groat and Meal of wheat	March 4, 2022
29	1103.13	Groat and Meal of corn	March 4, 2022
80	1104.29.17	Wheat for Noah` Pudding	March 4, 2022
31	1507	Soy oil and their fractions	March 4, 2022
	1516.20.91.00.12 1516.20.96.00.13		
32	1509	Olive oil and its fractions, whether or not refined, but not	January 27, 2022

33	1512 1516.20.91.00.16 1516.20.96.00.14 1516.20.91.00.11 1516.20.96.00.12	Sunflower seed, safflower or cottonseed oil, and fractions	March 4, 2022
34	1514 1516.20.91.00.18 1516.20.91.00.21 1516.20.98.00.21	Rep, rapeseed and mustard oil and their fractions	March 4, 2022
35	1515.21 1515.29 1516.20.91.00.24 1516.20.98.00.15	Corn Oil and their fractions	March 4, 2022
36	1517	Margarine	March 4, 2022
37	1904.30	Bulgur	March 4, 2022
38	2309.90	Mixed Feed	March 4, 2022

## **Attachments:**

No Attachments.