

U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement

Poultry and Egg Products



Overview: In 2024, the United States exported \$68 million of poultry and eggs products to Japan, making Japan the #17 overseas market. Japan is a major importer of frozen chicken legs. The United States accounted for one percent of Japan’s poultry imports and 30 percent of its egg imports. The years below correspond to Japan’s fiscal year beginning April 1.

Product Name Japan Customs HS Code	MFN	Year 7 (2025)	Year 8 (2026)	Year 9 (2027)	Final Tariff (Year)	2024 Imports from U.S.
Bird’s egg yolk (not in shell, excl. dried) 040819000	20% or 48 yen/kg*	Free			Free (2023)	\$20,982,834
Chicken legs with bone in (frozen) 020714210	8.5%	2.3%	1.5%	0.7%	Free (2028)	\$16,167,423
Bird’s egg yolk (not in shell, dried) 040811000	18.8%	Free			Free (2023)	\$12,770,686
Egg albumin 350211000, 350219000	8.0%	Free			Free (2019)	\$6,842,807
Whole bird’s egg (not in shell), dried 040891000	21.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	Free (2030)	\$2,519,085
Turkey meat/offal excl. liver (frozen) 020725000, 020727200	3.0%	Free			Free (2019)	\$1,648,702
Chicken excl. whole chicken and legs with bone in (frozen) 020714220	11.9%	Free			Free (2023)	\$614,206
Prepared chicken without beef/pork 160232290	6.0%	Free			Free (2023)	\$336,549
Prepared turkey without beef/pork 160231290	6.0%	Free			Free (2019)	\$130,998
Prepared poultry other than turkey/chicken without beef/pork 160239290	6.0%	Free			Free (2019)	\$90,887
Whole chicken (frozen) 020712000	11.9%	3.2%	2.1%	1.0%	Free (2028)	\$80,666
Whole bird’s egg (not in shell) excl. dried 040899000	21.3% or 51 yen/kg*	Free			Free (2023)	\$0
Duck meat cut/offal excl. liver (frozen) 020745090	9.6%	Free			Free (2019)	\$0
Whole duck (frozen) 020742000	9.6%	Free			Free (2019)	\$0

Market Considerations: Poultry meat consumption has risen steadily in Japan over the past several decades. Japan imports around 40 percent of its chicken meat supply with the majority of raw and processed products coming from low cost suppliers in Brazil, Thailand, and China. Under this agreement, the United States gained a tariff advantage over each of these countries. Japan’s market for turkey, though small, has doubled in size over the past five years and is growing rapidly. The United States is the dominant supplier of turkey meat to Japan. Japan is a major importer of egg ingredient products for further processing into mayonnaise and other prepared food items. On April 1, 2023, USDA APHIS and MAFF agreed to lower HPAI-related trade restrictions on U.S. poultry products exported to Japan. Bans on exports from HPAI affected zones are now eligible to have restrictions lifted 28 days post cleaning and disinfection (down from 90 days). For more information see MAFF document: [Animal Health Requirements ...](#).

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.