

U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement

Nuts



Overview: In 2024, the United States exported \$367 million of nuts to Japan, making Japan the #12 overseas market for U.S. nuts. Almonds and walnuts are Japan’s top nut imports from the United States. U.S. nut imports accounted for over 41 percent of Japan’s total nut and nut product imports in 2024. The years below correspond to Japan’s fiscal year beginning April 1.

Product Name Japan Customs HS Code	Base Rate	Year 7 (2025)	Year 8 (2026)	Year 9 (2027)	Final Tariff (Year)	2024 Imports from U.S.
Almonds (fresh or dried/roasted, no sugar) 080211200, 080212200/200819222	2.4%/5.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$195,846,769
Walnuts (shelled, fresh or dried) 080232000	10.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$80,622,087
Peanuts (shelled, other than seed) 120242091	10.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$24,971,335
Flour, meal and powder of fruit and nuts (excl. bananas) 110630200	15.0%		Free		Free (2023)	\$5,571,171
Peanut butter (contain sugar/no sugar) 200811110/200811210	12.0%/10.0%		Free		Free (2023)	\$5,333,558
Ground nuts (excl. peanut butter, prep./preserved, contains sugar) 200811120	23.8%		Free		Free (2023)	\$2,435,524
Other nuts (roasted, no sugar) 200819228	5.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$1,817,818
Cashew nuts (prep. or preserved, contain sugar) and other roasted nuts (contain sugar) 200819191, 200819192	11.0%		Free		Free (2023)	\$1,632,628
Macadamia nuts (fresh/dried, prep./preserved, no sugar) 080262000, 200819221	5.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$443,802
Cashew nuts (prepared or preserved, no sugar) 200819225	10.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$414,735
Hazelnuts or filberts (shelled, fresh or dried) 080222000	6.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$244,481
Ground nuts (shelled, roasted/prepared or preserved), no sugar 200811292/200811299	21.3%		Free		Free (2025)	\$32,146
Other nuts (prepared or preserved, no sugar) 200819229	12.0%		Free		Free (2023)	\$17,394
Preserved nuts (contain sugar) 200819199	16.8%		Free		Free (2023)	\$15,419
Pecans (fresh or dried/roasted, no sugar) 080290300, 200819223	4.5%/5.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$9,135
Coconuts, brazil nuts, paradise nuts and hazelnuts (prepared or preserved, no sugar) 200819224	10.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$0

Market Considerations: Japan relies on imports for most of its nut consumption. Almonds and walnuts are supplied almost exclusively by the United States. Salted mixed nuts remain a popular snack item in the retail sector while unsalted nuts are gaining in popularity due to perceived health benefits. The United States is the second largest supplier of peanuts to Japan, after China. Under this agreement, U.S shelled peanuts gained an immediate tariff advantage over Chinese peanuts (HS 1202.42.091).

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.